

Elementary Graph Algorithms

PART-2

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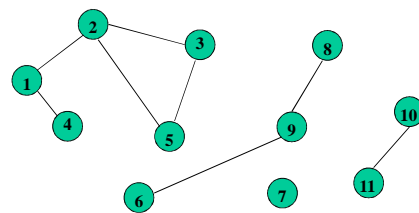
Graph Search Methods

- Many graph problems solved using a search method
 - Path from one vertex to another
 - Is the graph connected?
 - etc.
- Commonly used search methods:
 - Breadth-First Search (BFS)
 - Depth-First Search (DFS)

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Graph Search Methods

- A vertex u is reachable from vertex v iff there is a path from v to u .
- A search method starts at a given vertex v and visits every vertex that is reachable from v .



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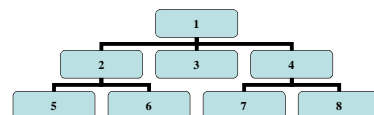
Graph Search Methods

- Given: a graph $G = (V, E)$, **directed** or **undirected**
- Goal: methodically **explore every vertex** and **every edge**
- Ultimately: build a **tree** on the graph
 - Pick a vertex as the root
 - Choose certain edges to produce a **tree**
 - Note: might also build a **forest** if graph is not connected

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Breadth First Search

- Example: Binary Tree (This is a special case of a graph).
 - The order of search is across levels.
 - The root is examined first; then children of the root; then the children of those nodes, and so on.



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Breadth First Search

- Example: Directed Graph
- Pick a source vertex s to start.
- Find (or discover) the vertices that are adjacent to s .
- Pick each child of s in turn and discover their vertices adjacent to that child.
- Done when all children have been discovered and examined.
- This results in a tree that is rooted at the source vertex s .
- The idea is to find the *distance* from the selected Source vertex to all reachable vertices (Destinations).

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Breadth-First Search

- Visit start vertex (s) and put into a **FIFO** queue.
- Repeatedly remove a vertex from the queue, visit its unvisited adjacent vertices, put newly visited vertices into the queue.
- All vertices reachable from the start vertex (s) (including the start vertex) are visited.

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Breadth-First Search

- Again will associate vertex “colors” to guide the algorithm
 - **White** vertices have not been discovered
 - All vertices start out white
 - **Gray** vertices are discovered but not fully explored
 - They may be adjacent to white vertices
 - **Black** vertices are discovered and fully explored
 - They are adjacent only to black and gray vertices
- Explore vertices by scanning adjacency list of gray vertices

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Breadth-First Search

```
BFS(G, s) {
  // initialize vertices;
  1 for each u ∈ V(G) - {s} {
  2   do color[u] = WHITE
  3     d[u] = ∞ // distance from s to u
  4     p[u] = NIL // predecessor or parent of u
  }
  5 color[s] = GRAY
  6 d[s] = 0
  7 p[s] = NIL
  8 Q = Empty;
  9 Enqueue(Q, s); // Q is a queue; initialize to s
  10 while (Q not empty) {
  11   u = Dequeue(Q);
  12   for each v ∈ adj[u] {
  13     if (color[v] == WHITE)
  14       color[v] = GRAY;
  15       d[v] = d[u] + 1; // What does d[v] represent?
  16       p[v] = u; // What does p[v] represent?
  17       Enqueue(Q, v);
  18   }
  19   color[u] = BLACK;
  }
}
```

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Breadth-First Search

- Lines 1-4 paint every vertex white, set $d[u]$ to be infinity for each vertex (u), and set $p[u]$ the parent of every vertex to be NIL.
- Line 5 paints the source vertex (s) gray.
- Line 6 initializes $d[s]$ to 0.
- Line 7 sets the parent of the source to be NIL.
- Lines 8-9 initialize Q to the queue containing just the vertex (s).
- The **while** loop of lines 10-18 iterates as long as there remain gray vertices, which are discovered vertices that have not yet had their adjacency lists fully examined.
 - This while loop maintains the test in line 10, the queue Q consists of the set of the gray vertices.

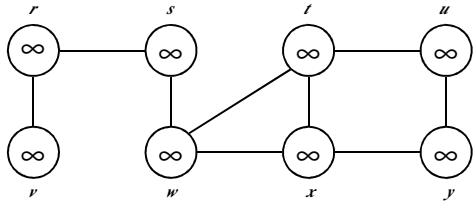
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Breadth-First Search

- Prior to the first iteration in line 10, the only gray vertex, and the only vertex in Q , is the source vertex (s).
- Line 11 determines the gray vertex (u) at the head of the queue Q and removes it from Q .
- The **for** loop of lines 12-17 considers each vertex (v) in the adjacency list of (u).
- If (v) is white, then it has not yet been discovered, and the algorithm discovers it by executing lines 14-17.
 - It is first grayed, and its distance $d[v]$ is set to $d[u]+1$.
 - Then, u is recorded as its parent.
 - Finally, it is placed at the tail of the queue Q .
- When all the vertices on (u 's) adjacency list have been examined, u is blackened in line 18.

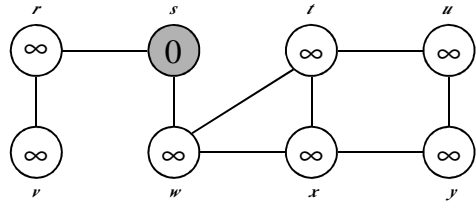
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Breadth-First Search: Example



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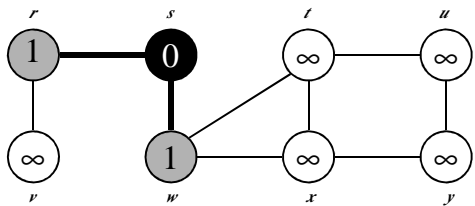
Breadth-First Search: Example



$Q: [s]$

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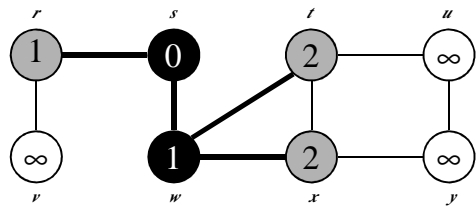
Breadth-First Search: Example



$Q: [w, r]$

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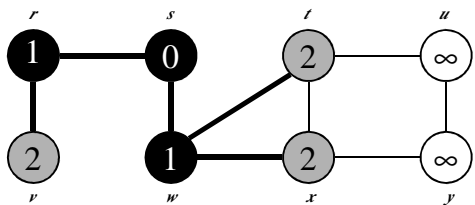
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$Q: [r, t, x]$

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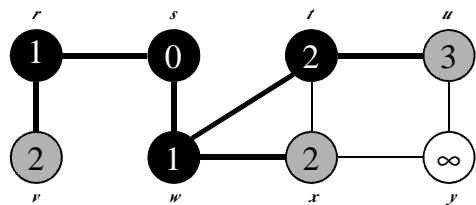
Breadth-First Search: Example



$Q: [t, x, v]$

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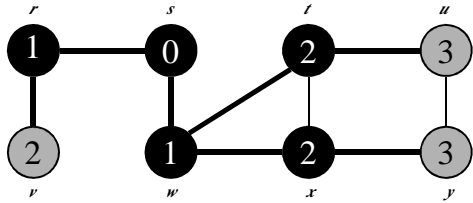
Breadth-First Search: Example



$Q: [x, v, u]$

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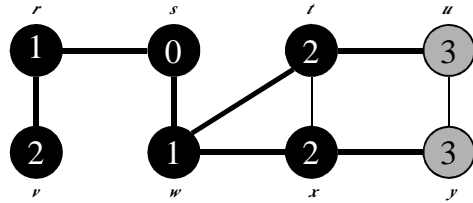
Breadth-First Search: Example



Q: [v u y]

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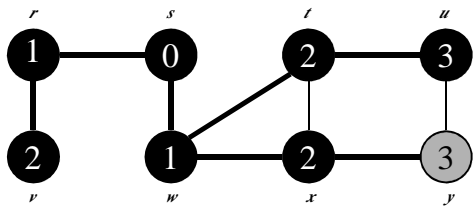
Breadth-First Search: Example



Q: [u y]

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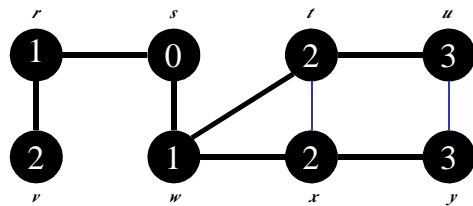
Breadth-First Search: Example



Q: [y]

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Breadth-First Search: Example



Q: ∅

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BFS: The Code Again

```

BFS(G, s) {
  // initialize vertices
  for each u ∈ V(G) - {s} { ← Touch every vertex: O(V)
    do color[u] = WHITE
       d[u] = ∞
       p[u] = NIL
  }
  color[s] = GRAY;
  d[s] = 0;
  p[s] = NIL;
  Q = Empty;
  Enqueue(Q, s);
  while (Q not empty) {
    u = Dequeue(Q); ← u = every vertex, but only once
    for each v ∈ adj[u] {
      if (color[v] == WHITE)
        color[v] = GRAY;
        d[v] = d[u] + 1;
        p[v] = u;
        Enqueue(Q, v);
    }
    color[u] = BLACK;
  }
}

```

So v = every vertex that appears in some other vertex's adjacency list ← $O(E)$

What will be the running time?
Total running time: $O(V+E)$

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BFS: Time Complexity

- Given a graph $G = (V, E)$
 - Vertices are enqueued if their color is white
 - Assuming that en- and dequeuing takes $O(1)$ time the total cost of this operation is $O(V)$
 - Adjacency list of a vertex is scanned when the vertex is dequeued (and at most once)
 - The sum of the lengths of all lists is $O(E)$. Consequently, $O(E)$ time is spent on scanning them
 - Initializing the algorithm takes $O(V)$
- Total running time $O(V+E)$
 - linear in the size of the adjacency list representation of G

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BFS: The Code Again

```

BFS(G, s) {
  // initialize vertices
  for each u ∈ V(G) - {s} { Each vertex will be enqueue once.
    do color[u] = WHITE
       d[u] = ∞
       p[u] = NIL
    }
  color[s] = GRAY
  d[s] = 0
  p[s] = NIL
  Q = Empty;
  Enqueue(Q, s);
  while (Q not empty) {
    u = Dequeue(Q);
    for each v ∈ adj[u] {
      if (color[v] == WHITE) What will be the storage cost
        color[v] = GRAY; in addition to storing the tree?
        d[v] = d[u] + 1; Queue Size
        p[v] = u; Total space used:
        Enqueue(Q, v); at least = O(max(deg(v)))
        color[u] = BLACK; at most = O(V)
    }
  }
}

```

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Shortest Paths

- Given a graph $G = (V, E)$, BFS discovers all vertices reachable from a source vertex s
 - It computes the *shortest-path distance* to all reachable vertices
 - It computes a *breadth-first tree* that contains all such reachable vertices
- For any vertex v reachable from s , the path in the breadth first tree from s to v , corresponds to a **shortest path** in G .
- BFS calculates the *shortest-path distance* to the source node to $v = \delta(s, v) = d[v]$
 - shortest-path distance = minimum number of edges from s to $v = \delta(s, v) = d[v]$
 - or $\delta(s, v) = \infty$ if v not reachable from s

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Breadth-First Tree

- BFS builds *breadth-first tree*, in which paths to root represent shortest paths in G
- Given a graph $G = (V, E)$ with source $s \in V$, we define the predecessor subgraph of G as $G_p = (V_p, E_p)$, where
 - $V_p = \{v \in V : p[v] \neq \text{NIL}\} \cup \{s\}$
 - $E_p = \{(p[v], v) : v \in V_p - \{s\}\}$
- G_p is a breadth-first tree
 - V_p consists of the vertices reachable from s , and
 - for all $v \in V_p$, there is a *unique simple path* from s to v in G_p that is also a shortest path from s to v in G .
- The edges in G_p are called *tree edges*

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Path From Vertex v To Vertex w

- Start a breadth-first search at vertex v .
- Terminate* when vertex w is visited or when Q becomes empty (whichever occurs first).
- Time $O(V+E)$

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Is The Graph Connected?

- Start a breadth-first search at any vertex of the graph.
- Graph is connected iff all n vertices get visited.
- Time $O(V+E)$

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