

Algorithms - Fall 2020

Graphs:
BFS & DFS



Recap

- HW3 - due today (GROUPS!)
- HW4 - up tonight,
due next week
- Reading as usual

Last time: Graphs!

Lots of notation,
definitions, + initial
properties.

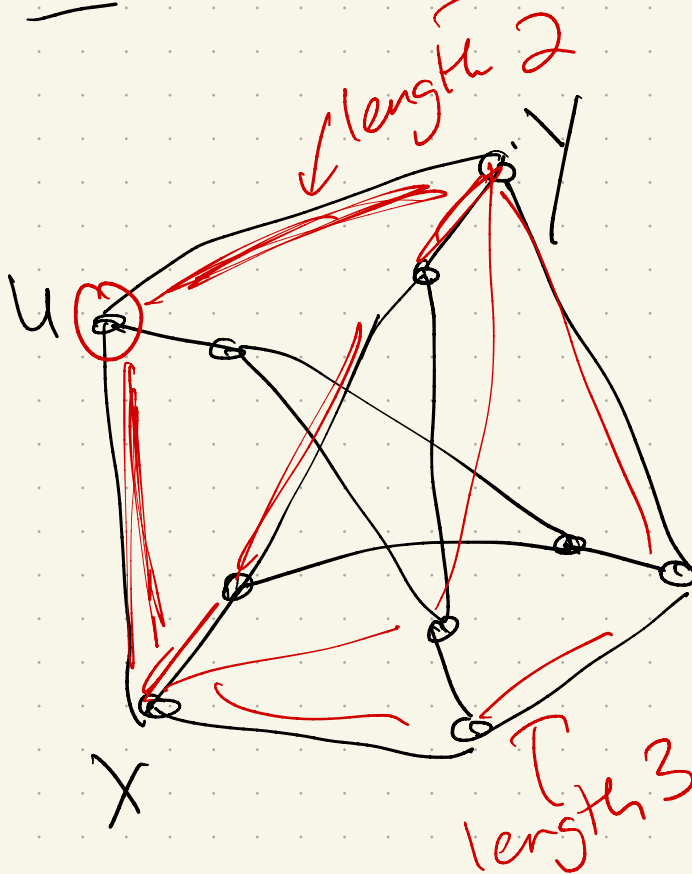
} keep this
section
handy

Today: Searching

Q: are u + v connected
in G ? **No**

Are x + y ?

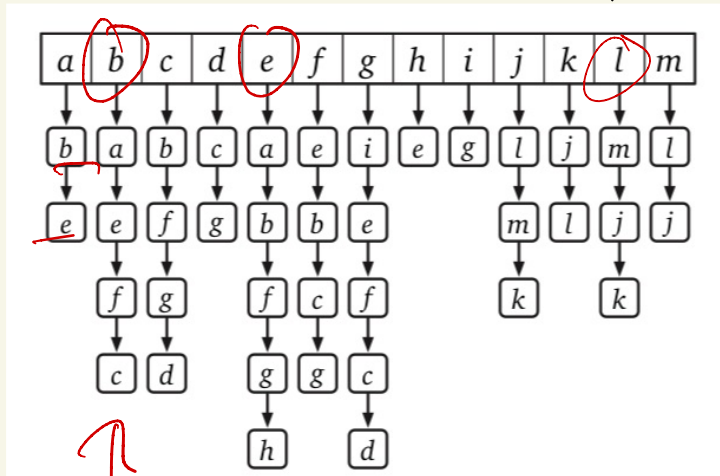
Yes!



Graph Searching

How can we tell if 2 vertices are connected?

Remember, the computer only has:



parent
visit

adj. list

is a

connected to l?

Bigger question: Can we tell

if all the vertices are
in a single connected
component?

Possibly you saw depth first search (DFS) or breadth first search (BFS) in data structures:

WHATEVERFIRSTSEARCH(s):

put s into the bag
while the bag is not empty
 take v from the bag
 if v is unmarked
 mark v
 for each edge vw
 put w into the bag

data structure:
stack
& queue

These are essentially just search strategies:

How can we decide if u & v are connected?

First question: bag?!

→ DFS: stack

→ BFS: queue

[heaps → weighted edges] later chapter
 ↑ PQ

Can use this to build a spanning tree:

↖ acyclic graph touching all edge

WHATEVERFIRSTSEARCH(s):

put $(\emptyset, s)$ in bag

while the bag is not empty

take (p, v) from the bag

(*)

if v is unmarked

mark v

$\text{parent}(v) \leftarrow p$

for each edge vw

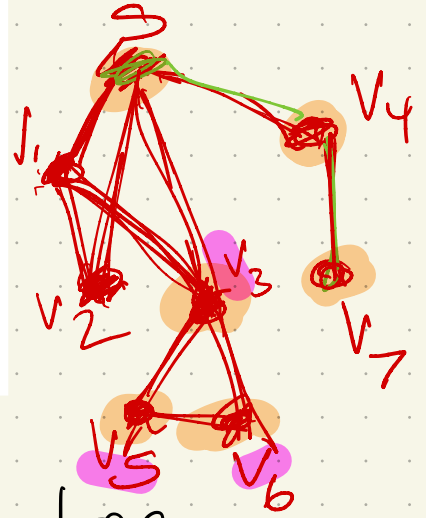
(†)

put (v, w) into the bag

(**)

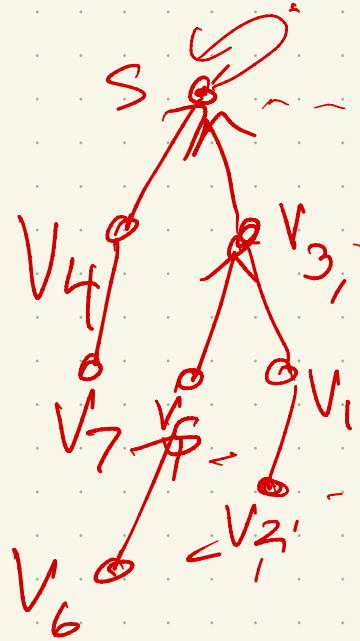
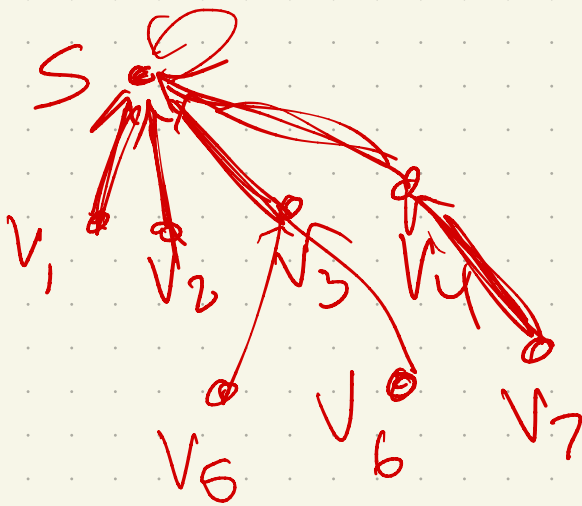
parent
1st

$s \rightarrow \emptyset$
 $v_1 \rightarrow s$
 $v_2 \rightarrow s$



BFS tree:

DFS tree



~~$(s, \emptyset) \rightarrow (s, v_1) \rightarrow (s, v_2) \rightarrow (s, v_3) \rightarrow (s, v_4)$~~

Queue

~~$(v_1, v_2) \rightarrow (v_1, v_3)$~~

~~$\rightarrow (v_2, s) \rightarrow (v_2, v_1)$~~

~~$(s, \emptyset, v)$~~

Stack

~~$(v_3, v_5) \rightarrow v_3, v_6 \rightarrow v_4, v_7$~~

Just remember: different!

other
edges

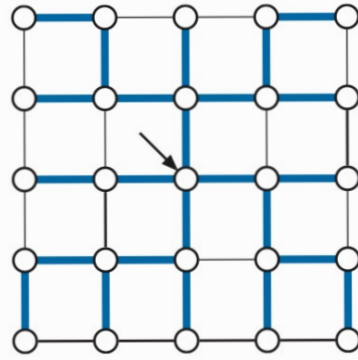
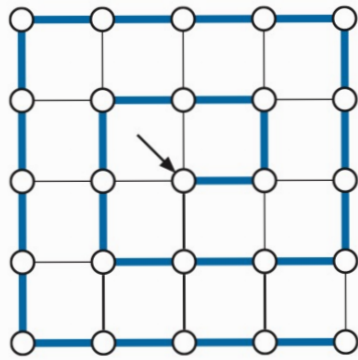


Figure 5.12. A depth-first spanning tree and a breadth-first spanning tree of the same graph, both starting at the center vertex.

DFS:

long &
"skinny"



Which one?

depends!

BFS:

short
&
"bushy"

distance →

2 →



distance

Runtime:

ugly
but
reasonable

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(p, v)

→ Each vertex: visited at most once
when visited: first time, add edges to DS "bag" _{its}
+ mark vertex

other time: $O(1)$ check

$\sum_v d(v) \cdot [\text{add to bag}]$

$O(V+E)$
 $E^2 \geq V^2$

(cost to add to DS) $2E + V$
stack or queue $O(1)$

Correctness:

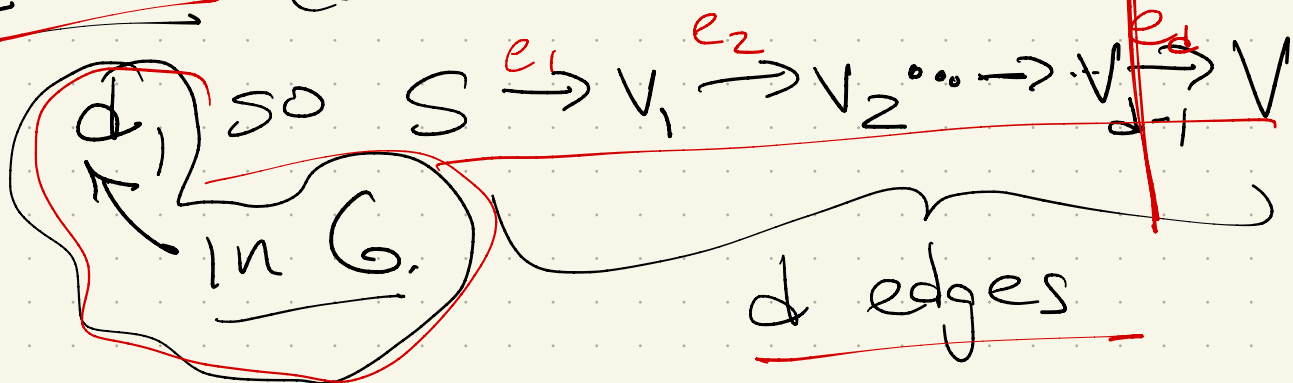
Claim: BFS will mark all reachable vertices. $\leftarrow$

Pf: induction on distance to the source:

$d=0$: S !

it is marked $\checkmark$

$d > 0$: Consider v at distance



By IH: v_{d-1} is marked correctly,

That means

v_{d-1} was

marked!

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if v is unmarked

mark v

for each edge vw

put w into the bag

↳ all its edges
were added to "bag"

so edge $v_{d-1} \rightarrow v$
(distance d) was added.

↳ at some point,
removed & marked.

TH

Claim: marked v 's + parents
form a spanning tree.
(See demo's...)

proof:

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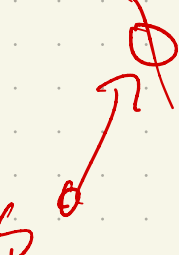
if v is unmarked

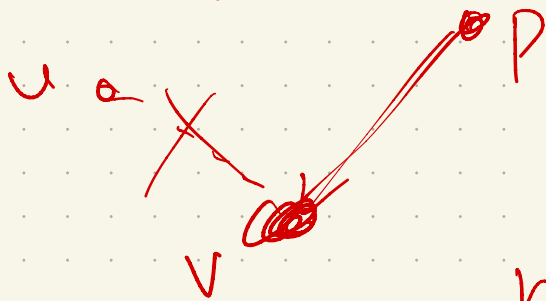
mark v

$\text{parent}(v) \leftarrow p$

for each edge vw (†)

put (v, w) into the bag (**)

 For each marked vertex:
someone added it!



(p, v) pair

next (u, v) edge

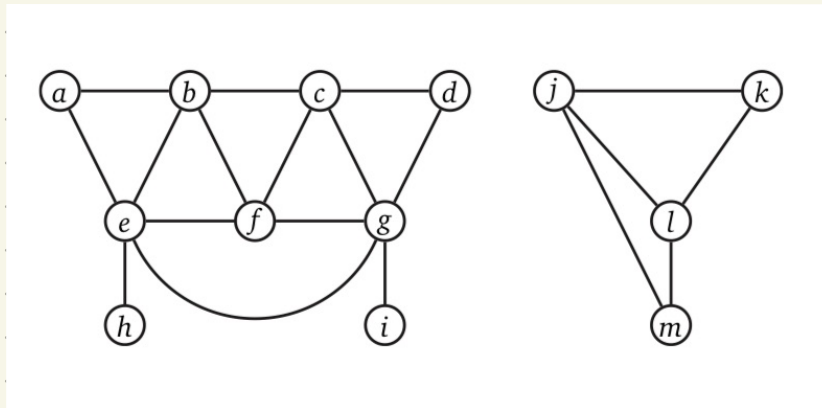
↳ already marked

added $n-1$ edges, no cycles
⇒ tree

In a disconnected graph:

Often want to count or
label the components
of the graph.

(WFS(v) will only visit
the piece that v
belongs to.)



Solution: Call it more
than one time!
unmark all vertices
For all vertices v :

Might want to count the # of components:

COUNTCOMPONENTS(G):

$count \leftarrow 0$

for all vertices v

unmark v

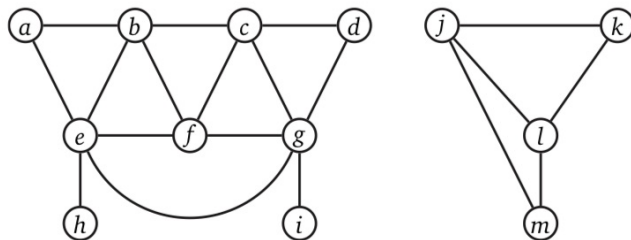
for all vertices v

if v is unmarked

$count \leftarrow count + 1$

WHATEVERFIRSTSEARCH(v)

return count



Finally, can even record which component each vertex belongs to:

COUNTANDLABEL(G):

$count \leftarrow 0$

for all vertices v

 unmark v

for all vertices v

 if v is unmarked

$count \leftarrow count + 1$

 LABELONE($v, count$)

return $count$

⟨⟨Label one component⟩⟩

LABELONE($v, count$):

 while the bag is not empty

 take v from the bag

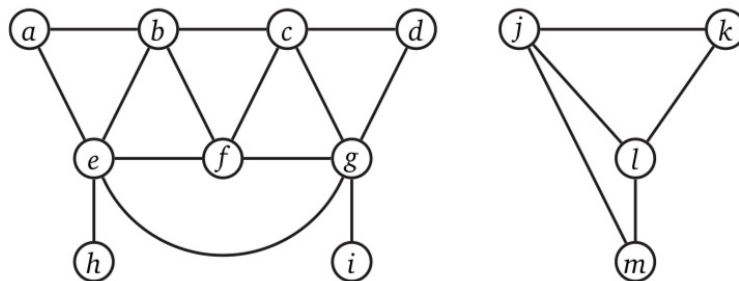
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 mark v

$comp(v) \leftarrow count$

 for each edge vw

 put w into the bag



Next time!

Reductions & applications.