



## Graphs

- I. Concepts
  - a. A graph is a pair  $(V, E)$  of a set of vertices  $V$  and a set of edges  $E$
  - b. An edge is a pair of vertices  $(V_i$  and  $V_j)$  for some  $V_i$  and  $V_j \in V$ .
  - c. Can be the *empty* set. Vertices in an edge can be the same.
  - d. Two distinct vertices  $V_i, V_j, i \neq j$  are said to be adjacent if there exists an edge  $(V_i, V_j)$
  - e. Two distinct vertices  $V_i, V_j, i \neq j$  are connected if there exists a path between them
  - f. Path
    - i. Sequence of vertices  $V_1, V_2, \dots, V_N$  such that  $(V_i, V_{i+1}) \in E$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$
    - ii. The length of a path is the number of *edges* in the path (i.e.  $N - 1$ )
    - iii. The path is a *cycle* if  $V_1 = V_N$
    - iv. The path is *simple* if all  $V_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$  are distinct (NB:  $V_1 = V_N$  is allowed!)
    - v. Given a path  $V_1, V_2, \dots, V_{i-1}, V_i, V_{i+1}, \dots, V_N$ , we have  $V_1, \dots, V_{i-1}$  are  $V_i$ 's predecessors.  $V_{i+1}, \dots, V_N$  are  $V_i$ 's successors
  - g. Edges
    - i. An edge is directed if it is defined as an *ordered* pair of vertices  $(V_i, V_j)$
    - ii. Directed edges are denoted as  $V_i \rightarrow V_j$
    - iii.  $V_i$  is called the source,  $V_j$  the destination
    - iv. The number of incoming edges to a vertex is the indegree
  - h. Graph Types
    - i. A graph is directed if each edge is directed
    - ii. A graph is weighted if each edge has a weight
    - iii. A graph is acyclic if there is no cycle in any path
    - iv. A graph is connected if  $\exists$  a path between any  $V_i, V_j \in E, i \neq j$
    - v. Completely Connected
      1.  $|E| = |V| * (|V| - 1) / 2 = \theta(|V|^2)$
      2. Each vertex is connected to  $V - 1$  vertices.
      3. Since it's undirected  $(A, B) = (B, A)$  so divide by 2.
    - vi. Minimally Connected.  $|E| = |V| - 1 = \theta(|V|)$
  - i. Representation
    - i. Adjacency Matrix
      1. 2D array
      2. bool type, shows whether  $[i][j]$  are connected or not
      3. By convention, array[x][x] all 1
      4. Typically done array[from][to] for directed graphs
    - ii. Adjacency List
      1. Array of linked list
      2. Preferred for sparse graphs (fewer edges)
  - j. Runtime
 

	Matrix	List
i. Adjacent( $V_i, V_j$ )	$\theta(1)$	$O( V )$
ii. Process / Visit All	$\theta( V ^2)$	$\theta( V  +  E )$
iii. Storage Space	$\theta( V ^2)$	$\theta( V  +  E )$
- II. Graph Traversal
  - a. First, tree traversal reminder
    - i. Pre, in, post order (using stacks) (LIFO)
    - ii. level order (using queue) (FIFO)
  - b. Graph Traversal
    - i. Breadth First (using queue) (FIFO)
      1. Visit nodes distance 1 first
      2. Then distance 2, 3, ...
    - ii. Depth First (using stack) (LIFO)
      1. Whichever direction It takes first, keep going in that direction
      2. Go as *deep* as possible, then switch to a new direction

- c. Nonrecursive Breadth First
    - while Q not empty
      - pop front
      - if (not yet visited)
        - mark as visited
        - process
        - add adjacent to queue
  - d. Nonrecursive Depth First – Same algorithm, but use LIFO stack
  - e. Recursive Breadth First
    - i. Given vertex
    - ii. Visit, mark as visited
    - iii. For each adjacent, breadthFirstSearch( $V_i$ )
    - iv. Use a 'visited' 1D array to record which nodes have already been visited
  - f. Runtime
    - i. The runtime is proportional to the number of elements put into the queue
    - ii. Worst Case
      - 1. Completely connected graph
      - 2. How many vertices put into the queue / stack?
      - 3.  $(|V| - 1) + (|V| - 2) + \dots + 2 + 1 = |E|$
      - 4. First time, can pick  $|V| - 1$  vertices to add
      - 5. Ultimately:  $\theta(|V|^2)$
    - iii. Best Case
      - 1. Minimally connected graph
      - 2.  $(|V| - 1)$  total vertices put into the queue / stack
      - 3.  $|E|$
    - iv. Note that the runtime is proportional to  $|E|$  in any case
- III. Topological Sort
- a. Given a directed acyclic graph (DAG)  $G = (V, E)$ , a topological sort orders the vertices in a topological order. For any  $V_i, V_j, i \neq j$ ,  $V_i$  appears after  $V_j$  in the order iff there exists a path from  $V_i$  to  $V_j$
  - b. Algorithm
    - i. Find a vertex with no incoming edge.
    - ii. Add to the result queue.
    - iii. Remove  $V$  and all its outgoing edges.
    - iv. Repeat until no vertices remain.
  - c. May want to store indegree field on each vertex to track the number of incoming edges
  - d. Runtime
    - i.  $O(|V| + |E|) = O(|E|)$
    - ii. Same reasoning as for breadth-first and depth-first search times