

Graphs : $G = (V, E)$ $E \subseteq V \times V$ $\begin{cases} \text{undirected} \\ \text{directed} \end{cases}$

Represent as adjacency matrix A $n \times n$ 0-1 matrix
 $|V| = n$

adjacency list $i \mapsto \text{nbrs of } i$

Exploring a graph via breadth first search (BFS)

BFS(s) $\leftarrow \forall v. \text{mark}[v] = 0 \leftarrow O(n)$ when $|V| = n$

$\text{mark}[s] = 1$

$\text{insertqueue}(Q, s)$

While Q is not empty

$v = \text{extract-head}(Q)$

for each nbr u of v

if u is not marked

$\text{mark}[u] = 1$

$\text{insertqueue}(Q, u)$

With adjacency list

$O(m)$

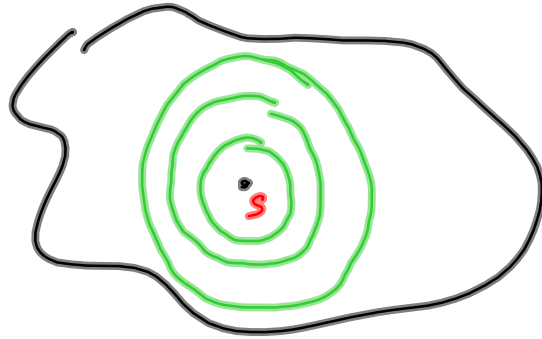
where $|E| = m$

$O(n+m)$

by defn, linear time

BFS visits vertices in order of distance (no. of hops) from source

Can record this distance in BFS



Initialize $\text{distance}[s] = 0$

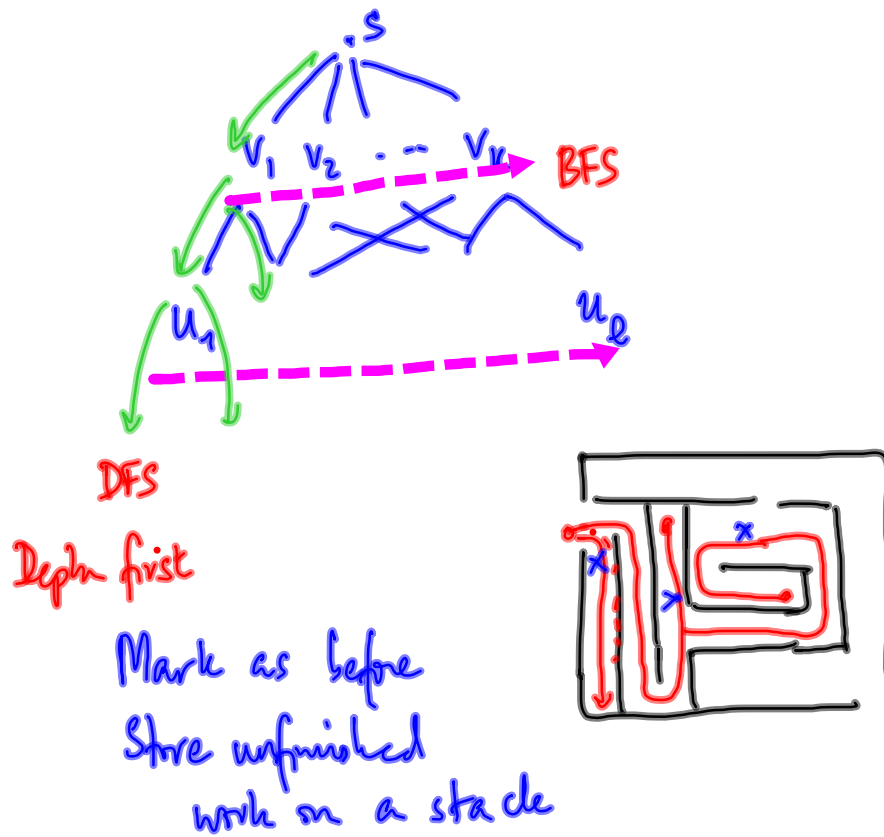
Each time v adds neighbour u to the queue

$$\text{distance}[u] = \text{distance}[v] + 1$$

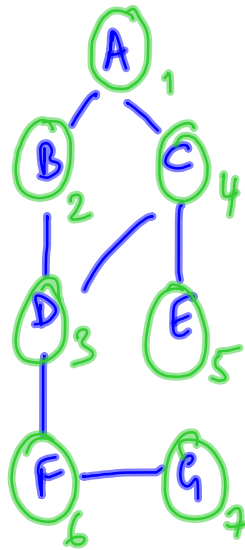
Record path to each reachable vertex

$\text{parent}[u] = v$ when v adds u to queue

An alternative strategy for exploration



explore(v)
mark[v] = 1
for each nbr u of v
if u is unmarked
explore(u)



explore(A) → explore(B) → explore(D) → explore(C) → explore(E)
↓
explore(F)
↓
explore(G)

dfs(a)

for all v $\text{mark}[v] = 0$

for each u in V

if u is unmarked
 $\text{explore}(u)$

e.g. $\text{previsit}(v)$

$\text{sequence}[v] = \text{count}$

$\text{count} = \text{count} + 1$ // count set to 0 initially

$\text{explore}(v)$

$\text{mark}[v] = 1$

$\text{previsit}(v)$

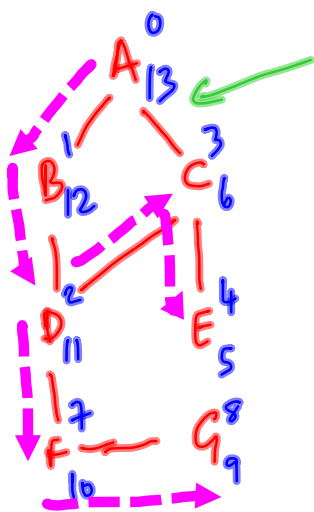
 for each nbr u of v

 if u unmarked
 $\text{explore}(u)$

$\text{postvisit}(v)$

Using $\text{previsit}(v)$ & $\text{postvisit}(v)$ can maintain two values $\text{pre}[v]$, $\text{post}[v]$ that refer to a common counter

Initially $\text{count} = 0$



---> DFS Tree

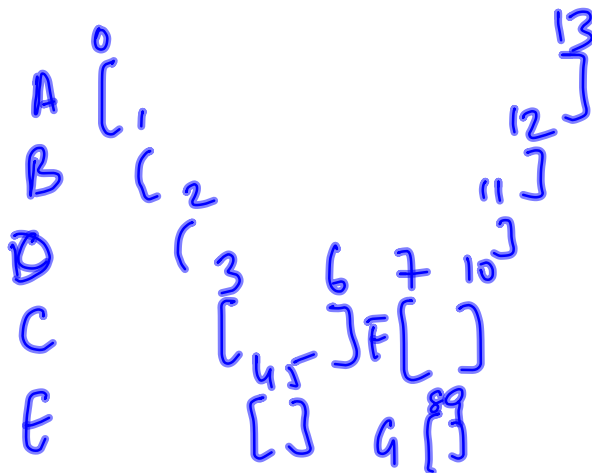
Connected, no loops

$\text{previsit}(v)$

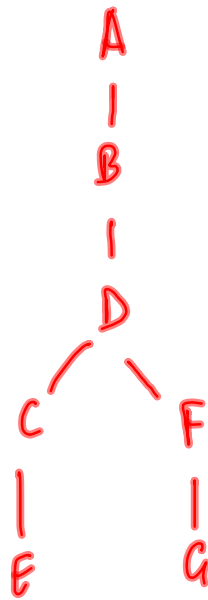
$\text{pre}[v] = \text{count}$
 $\text{count} = \text{count} + 1$

$\text{postvisit}(v)$

$\text{post}[v] = \text{count}$
 $\text{count} = \text{count} + 1$



DFS tree



$Pre(v), Post(v)$ intervals are well behaved

Must be nested or disjoint
Cannot overlap in some nontrivial way

$Interval(u) \subseteq Interval(v)$

u was explored via v

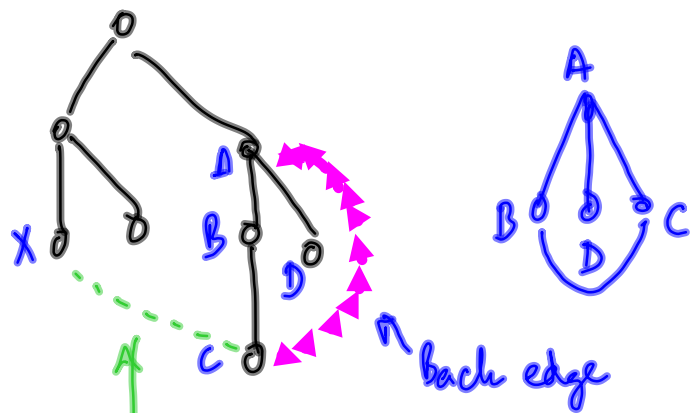
$Interval(u) \cap Interval(v) = \emptyset$

unconnected in DFS tree

G has DFS tree edges & back edges

undirected

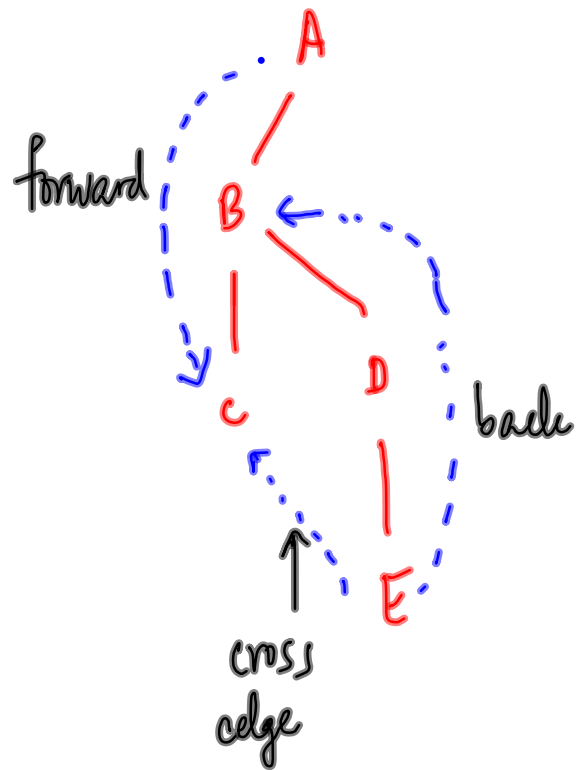
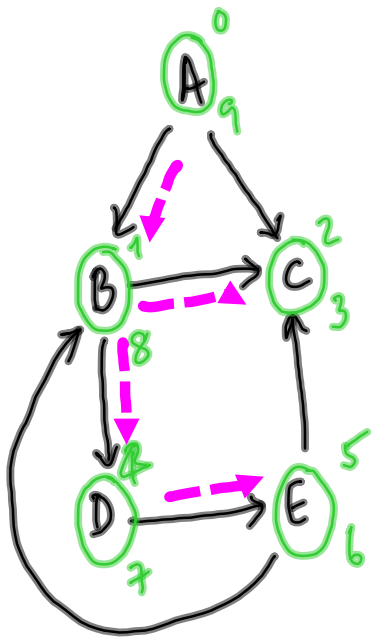
G has a cycle
iff DFS tree
has a back
edge



not possible!

Should have visited C from x

What if G is directed?



Supplementary Reading

Algorithm Design

Kleinberg & Tardos

Algorithms

Dasgupta, Papadimitriou
& Vazirani