Algorithms on Graphs

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Day 1, session 1: Basic graph algorithms



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Hello!



work in graph theory, game theory, parametrized complexity, ...

will also be joining you for the mentorship sessions

This course

Graphs are v v fundamental

Focus is going to be on <u>understanding</u>

All material will be uploaded to the webpage <u>www.tcs.tifr.res.in/~umang/vv24.html</u>

To start with, please put your name and <u>where you're from</u> on the sheet of paper being passed around.



A graph (or network) consists of vertices (or nodes) connected by edges (or links or arcs)

$$G = (V, E)$$

where $V = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$
and $E = \{\{a, b\}, \{a, f\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, e\}, \{b, c\}, \{c, d\}, \{e, d\}, \{e, f\}\}$



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Handshaking Lemma

Given a graph
$$G = (V, E)$$
,
$$\sum_{v} \deg(v) = 2|E|$$

Hence, # vertices with odd degree is even

(this is called the handshaking lemma)

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For graph G = (V, E) to be <u>connected</u>,

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If |E| = |V| - 1 and graph is connected, edges form a <u>spanning tree</u>

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Why Graphs?

Talks on graphs so far:

- Bipartite matching (scaling algorithm)
- Stable and popular matchings
- Colouring planar graphs



Graphs are Everywhere

Roads

Source: Arun Ganesh, Flickr and Wikimedia, Renumbered National Highways map of India (Schematic).jpg





Source: https://www.delhimetrorail.com/network_map

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Social networks

Source: Audrey Austin, <u>https://inbound.business.wayne.edu/blog/bid/277012/</u> Facebook-Analysis-Using-Social-Network-Analysis



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Scientific collaboration

Source: Drozdz et al., "Hierarchical organization of H. Eugene Stanley scientific collaboration community in weighted network representation," Journal of Informetrics



Runner-up Group G

Source: <u>https://conceptdraw.com/a1997c3/preview</u> , based on FIFA 2014 elimination rounds

Graphs are Everywhere

- electrical networks
- data networks
- holdings of mutual funds in stocks
- assigning students to colleges
- assigning time slots to courses, and courses to lecture halls
- ?

Basic Problems in Graphs

- assignment: students to colleges; doctors to hospitals; etc.
- is a graph connected?
- find a path between two vertices
- find a <u>shortest</u> path between two vertices
- add edges to <u>connect</u> a set of vertices
- remove edges to <u>disconnect</u> a set of vertices
- ?

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1. adjacency matrix

2. adjacency list

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Thm:For any vtx v,the path from a along tree edgesis a shortest path in G

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BFS gives shortest-paths from a node to <u>all</u> other nodes.

- works in directed graphs also
- works when edges have lengths also (but may take a long time)

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<u>Depth</u>-First-Search (G = (V, E), a)

"visit" a; add a to Stack

while (Stack is not empty)

pick a vertex v from Stack

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- 1. Breadth First Search
- 2. Depth First Search

Questions?

2. find shortest-paths in a weighted graph



$$\mathsf{Dijkstra} (G = (V, E, l), a)$$



Edsger Wybe Dijkstra

Dutch mathematician, theoretical physicist, computer programmer

Solved the shortest path problem in 1956

Received Turing award, ACM PODC influential paper award (renamed the Dijkstra prize) for contributions to programming languages and distributed computing



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Dijkstra's algorithm

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can this graph have cycles?

how many edges does this graph have?

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Kruskal's algorithm (gives an MST)

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