

Breadth First Search

Exercício. Seu amigo(a) está resolvendo uma instância de um jogo chamado "Sudoku M ", onde temos que preencher n números x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n , obedecendo umas certas regras (ele(a) não entrou em detalhe).

O problema é que essa instância pode ter sido gerada errada e não ter solução.

Ao analisar a instância, seu amigo(a) encontrou um conjunto C de condições do tipo " $x_a = x_b$ " e " $x_i \neq x_j$ ". Ele(a) quer saber:

Existe alguma forma de atribuir números x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n de forma a satisfazer as restrições do conjunto C ?

Modele essa questão como problema em grafo, e dê um algoritmo para resolvê-lo. Analise brevemente sua complexidade.

Exercises

Exercise 1:

(1 pts) Dado um grafo G e uma de suas arestas (u, v) , encontre o menor **ciclo** no grafo contendo essa aresta, onde o tamanho do ciclo é o número de arestas que possui. Seu algoritmo deve ter complexidade $O(n + m)$

Exercise 2: Can we use **BFS** to detect cycles in **undirected** graphs?
How?

Careful: BFS does **not** directly detects cycles in **directed** graphs!

Exercises

Exercise 3: Suppose your graph is an undirected tree. If run BFS starting from the root of the tree, in which order are the nodes explored? What about in DFS?

Exercise 4: Using the BFS/DFS tree, show that every connected undirected graph has a node that can be removed keeping the graph still connected
[show example]

Exercise 5: Suppose your undirected graph has a value $x(v)$ for each node. Modify DFS to compute

$z(v)$ =sum of values of all descendants of v in the DFS tree,

for all nodes. The algorithm should still run in $O(n + m)$

Applications of topological order

Problem 1: Given a list of courses a student needs to take and the prerequisites between them, give an algorithm that finds the minimum number of semesters needed for the student to finish all the courses

[give concrete example on the board]

Possible solution: Compute for each node u the first semester $f(u)$ that we can do that course:

- 1) Do topological sort of the graph
- 2) Scan nodes in the **order** of the topological sorting
- 3) At node u , compute

$$f(u) = 1 + \min_{v \text{ antineighbor of } u} \{f(v)\}$$

Time complexity is **$O(n + m)$** (construct reverse graph to obtain anti-neighbors)

Exercises: Shortest Paths

Exercise 1: Run Dijkstra's algorithm on the following graph [desenho no quadro], starting from node s

Exercise 2: Can we run Dijkstra's algorithm on undirected graphs? How?

Exercise 3: Explain why the algorithm does not need to update unvisited **non-neighbors** of u

Exercise 4: Show that Dijkstra's algorithm may not return the correct distance if there are **negative** lengths (construct a graph)

Exercise 5: Consider a different problem: You are given a directed graph and costs on the **nodes**. You want to find the shortest cost path from s to t , where the cost of a path is the sum of the costs of the nodes in the path

Find an algorithm to solve this problem. (Hint: run Dijkstra on a modified graph)