

Graph Basics

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(I) What is a graph?

Def:  $G = (V, E)$ : a collection of nodes (vertices) and edges connecting vertices.

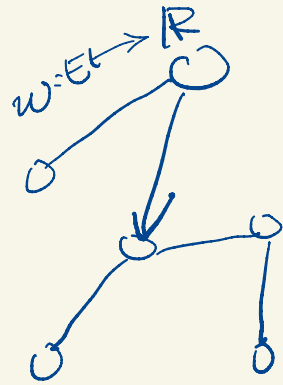
Exmp:

- Transportation network.

- e.g:  $V = \{\text{cities}\}$ ,  $E = \{\text{highways}\}$

- weight  $w(i, j)$  = distance / length of roads between city  $i$  and  $j$

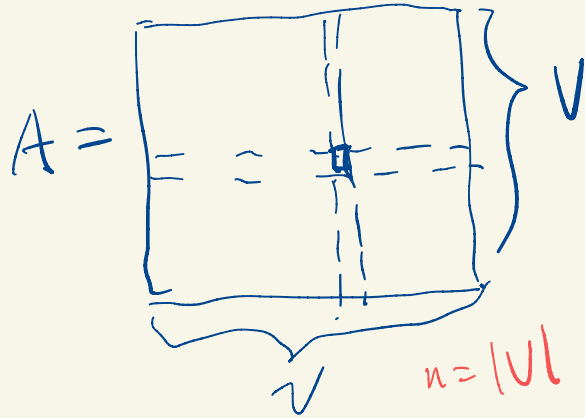
- **direction** = one-way road.



## (II) Representation

① Adjacency matrix

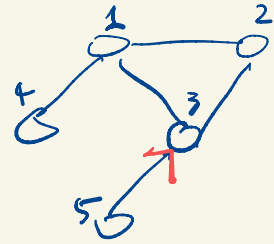
$$G = (V, E)$$



$$A[i, j] = 1 \iff (i, j) \in E$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} = w(i, j) \iff (i, j) \in E \ \& \ w(i, j) \end{array} \right.$$

Exmp:



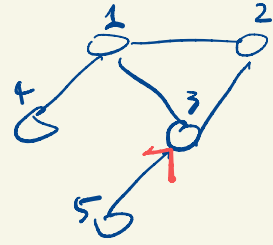
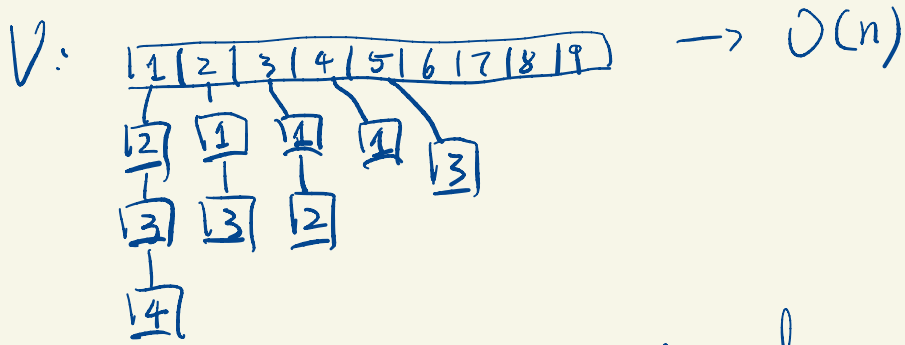
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow 0$$

degree  $d_v$ :

# of edges touching  $v$ .

## ② Adjacency List.

$G = (V, E)$ ,  $V$  is set of vertices



length of list of vertex  $v = d_v$

$$\therefore \text{Total size/length of lists} = \sum_v d_v \leq 2|E| = 2m$$

E.g. Assume every edge is undirected.

$(i, j)$  appears exactly twice in all lists



## ▷ Complexity

- $G = (V, E)$ ,  $|V| = n$ ,  $|E| = m$  (assume  $0 \leq m \leq \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ )
- $d_v :=$  number of neighbors of  $v$ .

	Adj Matrix	Adj List
space usage	$O(n^2)$	$O(m+n)$
time to check if $(u,v) \in E$	$O(1)$	$O(d_v) = O(m)$
time to list all neighbors of $v$	$O(n)$	$O(d_v)$

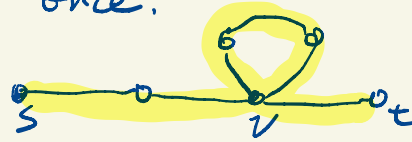
# Terminologies

① Path :  $(s, t)$ -path. : sequence of edges.

$(s, v_0), (v_0, v_1), \dots, (v_n, t)$

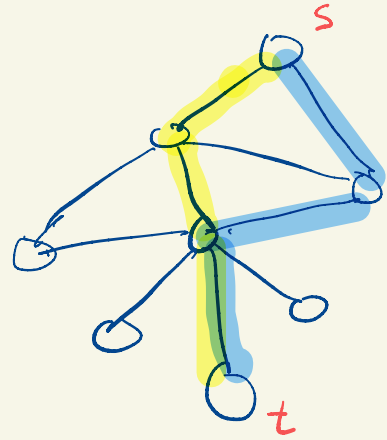
\* simple path: every vertex appears in the path at most once.

counter example:



② Cycle : seq of edges with same beginning & ending.

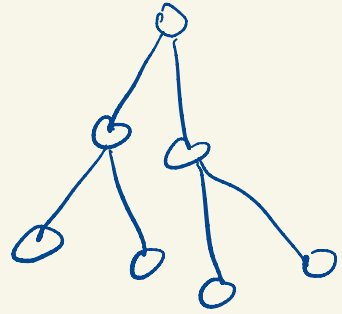
- simple cycle : every vertex (except for the beginning one) appears  $\leq 1$  time in the seq.



③ Tree: a type of graph

- connected:  $\exists$  path between every pair of vertices.

- no cycles.



## (II) Connectivity Problem

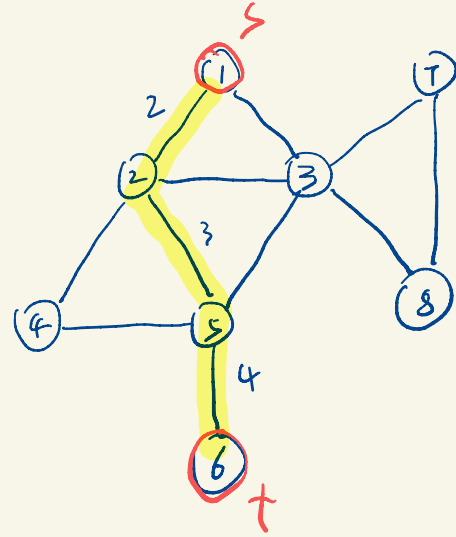
Problem:

Input: graph  $G = (V, E)$

Two vertices  $s, t \in V$

Output: "Yes" if  $\exists (s, t)$ -path

"No" if otherwise.



- Variants.

- Shortest path problem: when edges have weight (distance)

- Connected components:

## ▷ Breadth-First Search (BFS)

Input:  $G = (V, E)$ ,  $s \in V$

Output: All  $t \in V$  s.t.  $s$  &  $t$  are connected.

Strategy:

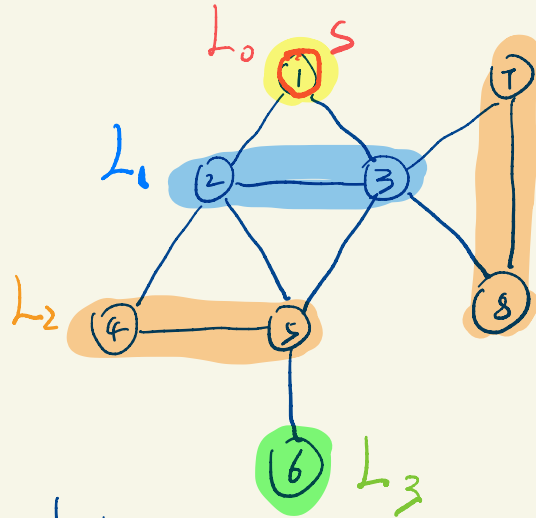
Explore the graph **level by level**.

$$L_0 = \{s\}$$

$L_1 = \{ \text{all vertices that's not in } L_0 \text{ but have an edge to } L_0 \}$

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$L_n = \{ \text{all vertices that's not in } L_0 \cup L_1 \cup \dots \cup L_{n-1}, \text{ but have an edge to } L_0 \cup L_1 \cup \dots \cup L_{n-1} \}$ .

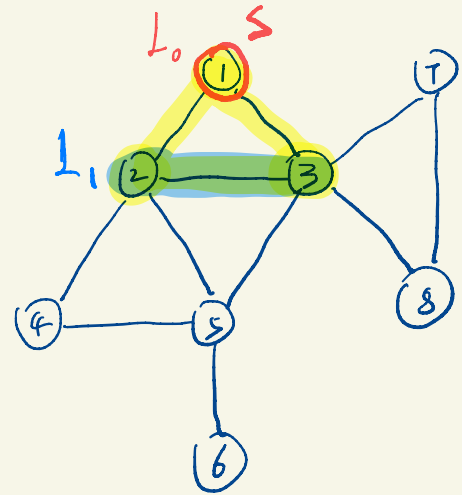
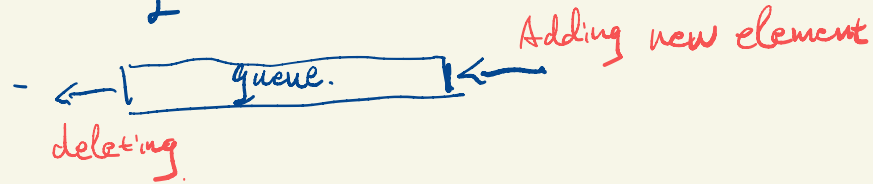


## ▷ Implementing BFS

- Remember vertices already visited:

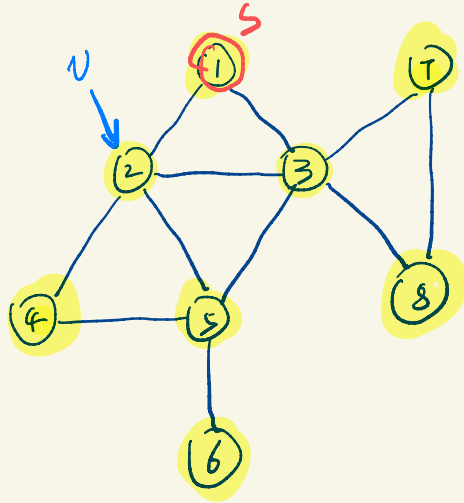
-  $visited[v] = 1$

- Use queue to traverse visited vertices



### BFS( $s$ )

- $head \leftarrow 1, tail \leftarrow 1, queue[1] \leftarrow s$
- mark  $s$  as "visited" and all other vertices as "unvisited"
- while  $head \geq tail$
- $v \leftarrow queue[tail], tail \leftarrow tail + 1$
- for all neighbours  $u$  of  $v$
- if  $u$  is "unvisited" then
- $head \leftarrow head + 1, queue[head] = u$
- mark  $u$  as "visited"

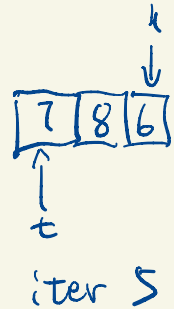
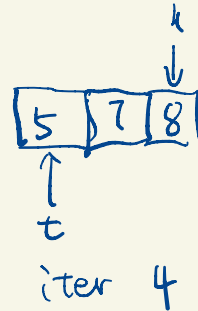
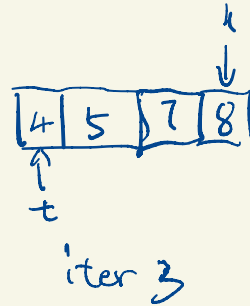
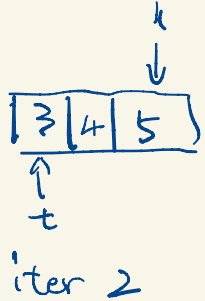
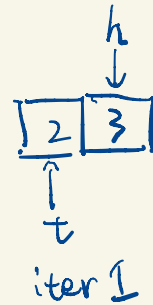
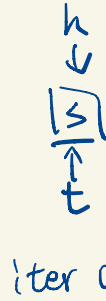


Running time:

$$O(n + 2m) = O(n + m)$$

$$m = |E|, \quad n = |V|$$

Queue:



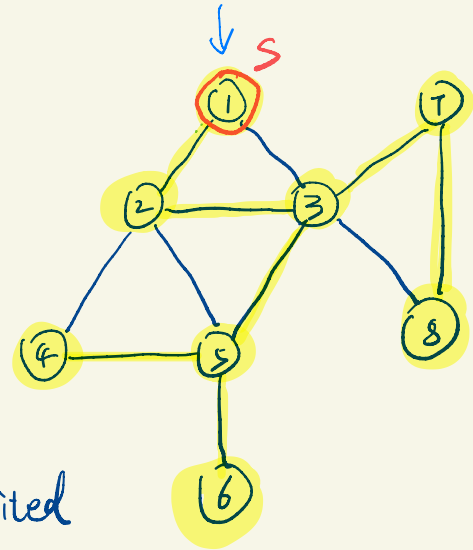
## ▷ Depth-First Search (DFS)

Strategy:

Try to go **as deep as you can**. If reach a **dead end**, the **backtrak**.

▷ Let's say we're visiting vertex  $v$

- "can go deeper": if  $\exists$  nbr  $u$  of  $v$  is unvisited
- "dead end": if all its nbrs are visited
- "back track": find the vertex explored **before**  $v$ .





# ▷ Implementing DFS

s: starting vertex

DFS (s)

mark all vertices as unvisited.

recursive-DFS (s)

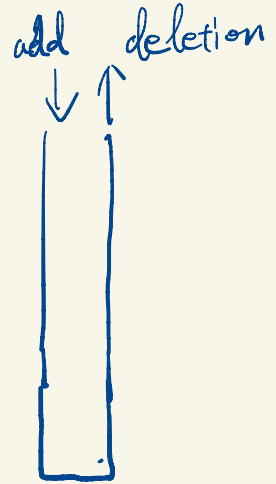
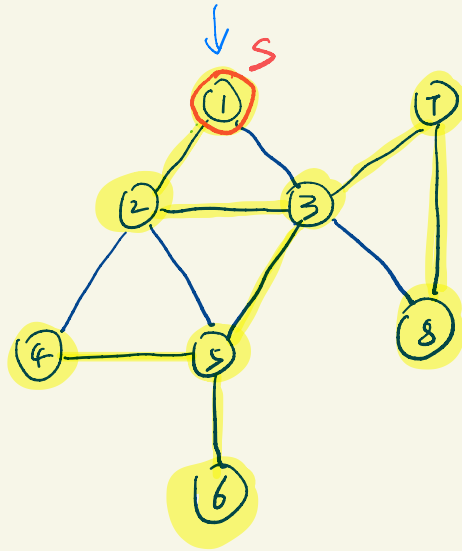
recursive-DFS (v)

mark v as visited.

for each nbr u of v:

if u is unvisited

recursive-DFS (u)



Running time:

$$O(n+m)$$

DFS - iterative  $(G, v)$

$S \leftarrow$  empty stack

$S.push(v)$

While  $S$  is not empty:

$u = S.pop()$  }  $\rightarrow 2m$  times

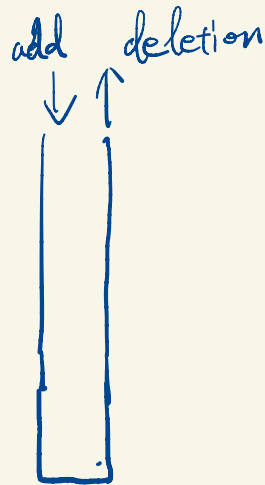
if  $u$  is not visited:

mark  $u$  as visited }  $\rightarrow n$  times

for all nbrs  $w$  of  $u$ :

$S.push(w)$

}  $\rightarrow d_u$  times for each vertex  $u$



$$\leq \sum_u d_u = 2|E| = 2m$$

$$\Rightarrow O(n + 4m) = O(n + m)$$