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INF2220: algorithms and data structures Series 7

Topic More on graphs: DFS, Biconnectivity, and strongly connected components

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Classroom

Exercise 1 (Biconnectivity) Given the graph of Figure 1,

- 1. Is the graph biconnected?
- 2. If not, which node(s) is (are) the articulation point(s) in the graph? Show the depth-first search spanning tree. Indicate $back \ edge(s)$ if applicable. You should also indicate the value of Low(v) and Num(v) for each node v in the graph.



Figure 1: Connected, undirected Graph for Exercise 1

Exercise 2 (Strongly-connected components) In the lecture, we learned to compute strongly-conneced components (scc's) for a directed graph.¹ Show how this is done for the graph in Figure 2.

¹Works as well for undirected graphs, obviously, but the problem there is boring.



Figure 2: Directed graph for the scc exercise 2

Exercise 3 Find the stronly connected components of the following graphs. Indicate the steps in the algorithm.



Exercise 4 (Christmas party-2015 exam) In this problem you will plan the seating arrangement on a Christmas party. You have a list V of guests of type Person:

class Person{
int id;

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}

4.1 Seating arrangement

Assume that you are also given a lookup table T where T[u.id] for $u \in V$ gives a list of the guests (of type Person) that u knows. If u knows v then v also knows u. Your task is to make a seating arrangement so that each guest at a table knows all the others sitting at the same table either directly, or through other guests sitting at that table. For example, if x knows y and y knows z, then x, y og z can sit at the same table.

1. If you should represent this as a graph problem, what kind of graph will that be? And what will be represented by the vertices and the edges in that graph?

- 2. Implement an efficient graph algorithm that, given V and T as input, returns the smallest number of tables that are necessary to satisfy that requirement.
- 3. What is the running time of your algorithm? Justify briefly.

4.2 Enemies

Assume that there are only 2 tables, and that you are given another lookup table S where S[u.id] for $u \in V$ gives a list of guests that have a bad relationship with u. If v is in a bad relationship with u, then u is also in a bad relationship with v. Your task is to make a seating arrangement so that no guests sitting at the same table are in a bad relationship with each another. (In this problem we will not take into account whether the guests know each other.)

Figure 3 is showing two graphs where the guests are represented as vertices and an edge between two vertices means that the corresponding guests are in a bad relationship with each other. For graph (a) we see that it is possible to have A and C share one table and B, D and E share another table, while for (b) we see that this is impossible.



Figure 3:

Implement an efficient algorithm that given lists V and S as input returns *true* if we can place all the guests at two tables, and returns *false* otherwise.

Lab

Exercise 5 (DFS) Implement an *iterated* DFS; it should work for directed and indirected graphs. Do the DFS in such a way, that visiting times and finishing times are remembered in the nodes; and printed as well (together with the corresponding node name). The printing can be done during the traversal ("on-the-fly").

In the second half: use the implementation to solve one of the following, or, if you have time and energy, both:

- 1. *Topological sorting.* The input is a directed graph. In case the graph is *cyclic*, give back an appropriate message to the user.
- 2. Biconnectivity, where the input is an undirected graph.