

Recap:

Breadth-First Search (BFS) (a graph exploration problem)

Idea: - look at vertices reachable in 0 steps,
1 steps,
2 steps
....

- Careful not repeatedly visit same vertices
- Work for both directed/undirected
- Slime mold doing kinda like BFS:

<https://youtu.be/q8ST4lqtUzQ>

Queue Q: $\boxed{a} \leftarrow \boxed{b} \leftarrow \boxed{c}$, First-In-First-Out (FIFO)

Q.push(d): $\boxed{a} \leftarrow \boxed{b} \leftarrow \boxed{c} \leftarrow \boxed{d}$ $O(1)$

Q.pop(): $\boxed{a} \leftarrow \boxed{b} \leftarrow \boxed{c} \leftarrow \boxed{d}$ $O(1)$

1. BFS (cont'd)

BFS(G, s):

1. For all $v \in V$:
2. $\text{dist}(v) \leftarrow \infty$
3. $\text{parent}(v) \leftarrow \perp$
4. $\text{color}(v) \leftarrow \text{WHITE}$

} $O(V)$

5. $\text{dist}(s) = 0$
6. $Q.\text{push}(s)$
7. $\text{Color}(s) = \text{YELLOW}$

} $O(1)$

8. While Q is not empty:

9. $u \leftarrow Q.\text{pop}()$

10. For all $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$

11. If $\text{color}(v) = \text{WHITE}$:

12. $\text{dist}(v) = \text{dist}(u) + 1$

13. $\text{parent}(v) = u$

14. $\text{color}(v) = \text{YELLOW}$

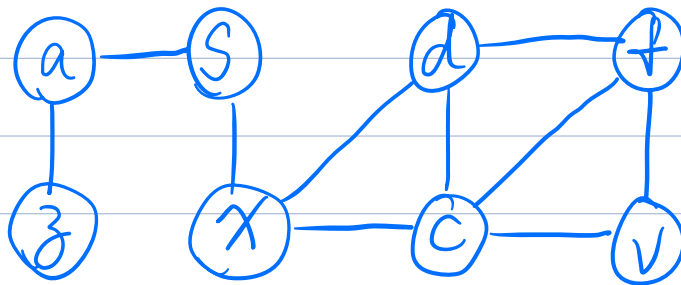
15. $Q.\text{push}(v)$

16. $\text{color}(u) = \text{GREEN}$

} $O(1)$ } $O(|E|)$

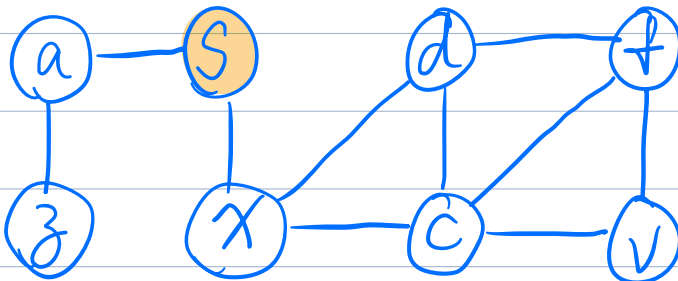
$\text{dist}(v)$ gives the shortest distance from s to v

The path? Reverse $(v, \text{parent}(v), \text{parent}(\text{parent}(v)), \dots)$



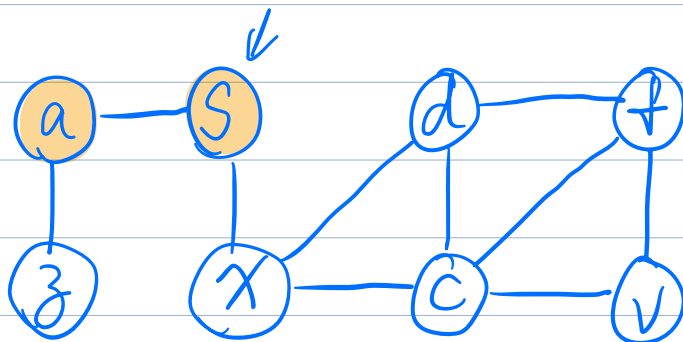
Q:

	dist	parent
a	∞	⊥
c	∞	⊥
d	∞	⊥
f	∞	⊥
s	∞	⊥
v	∞	⊥
x	∞	⊥
z	∞	⊥



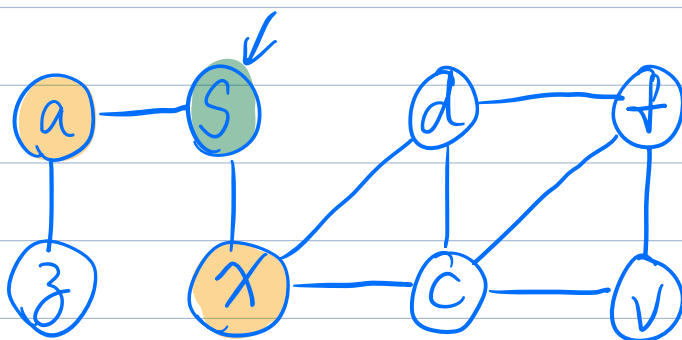
Q: s

	dist	parent
a	∞	⊥
c	∞	⊥
d	∞	⊥
f	∞	⊥
s	0	⊥
v	∞	⊥
x	∞	⊥
z	∞	⊥



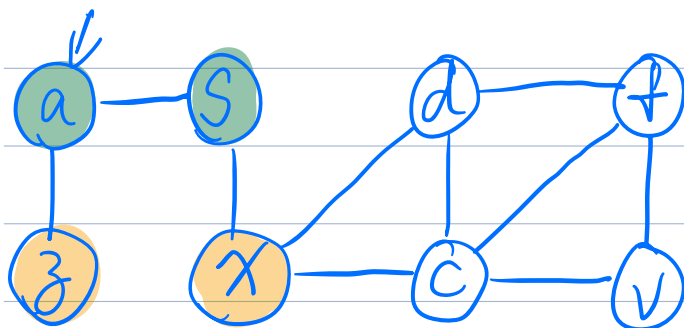
Q: a

	dist	parent
a	1	s
c	∞	⊥
d	∞	⊥
f	∞	⊥
s	0	⊥
v	∞	⊥
x	∞	⊥
z	∞	⊥



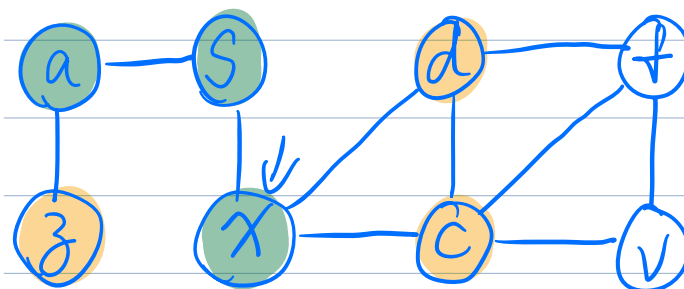
Q: a, x

	dist	parent
a	1	s
c	∞	⊥
d	∞	⊥
f	∞	⊥
s	0	⊥
v	∞	⊥
x	1	s
z	∞	⊥



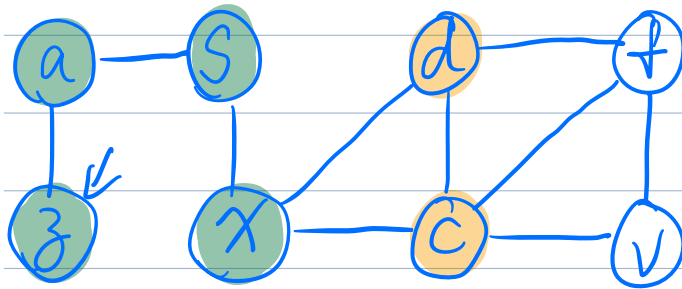
Q: x, z

	dist	parent
a	1	S
c	∞	\perp
d	∞	\perp
f	∞	\perp
s	0	\perp
v	∞	\perp
x	1	S
z	2	a



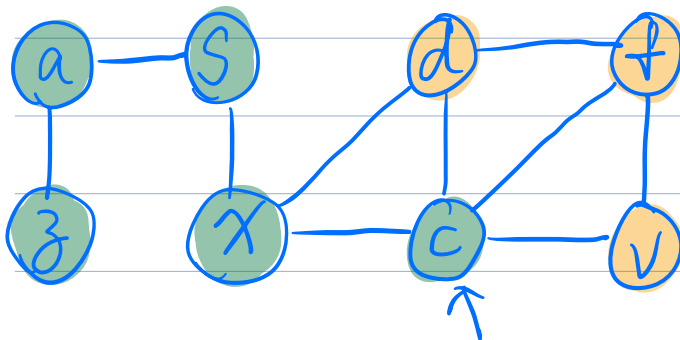
Q: z, c, d

	dist	parent
a	1	S
c	2	x
d	2	x
f	∞	\perp
s	0	\perp
v	∞	\perp
x	1	S
z	2	a



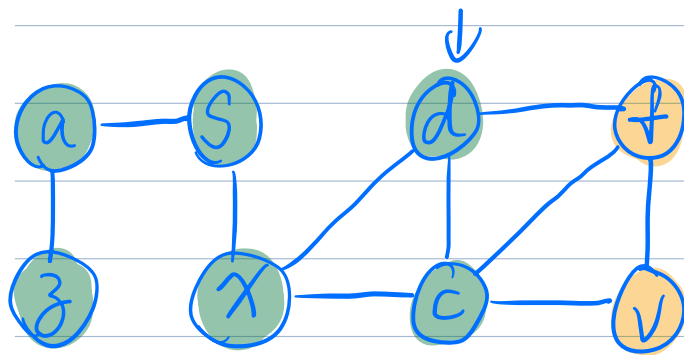
Q: c, d

	dist	parent
a	1	S
c	2	x
d	2	x
f	∞	\perp
s	0	\perp
v	∞	\perp
x	1	S
z	2	a



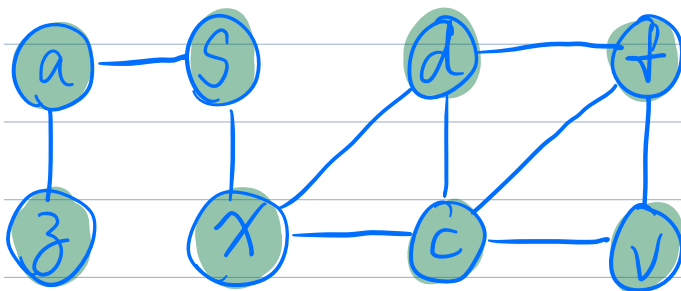
Q: d, f, v

	dist	parent
a	1	S
c	2	x
d	2	x
f	3	c
s	0	\perp
v	3	c
x	1	S
z	2	a



Q: f, v

	dist	parent
a	1	s
c	2	x
d	2	x
f	3	c
s	0	⊥
v	3	c
x	1	s
z	2	a



Q:

	dist	parent
a	1	s
c	2	x
d	2	x
f	3	c
s	0	⊥
v	3	c
x	1	s
z	2	a

○: vertices not added to Q yet; "undiscovered"

○: vertices currently in Q; "unexplored"

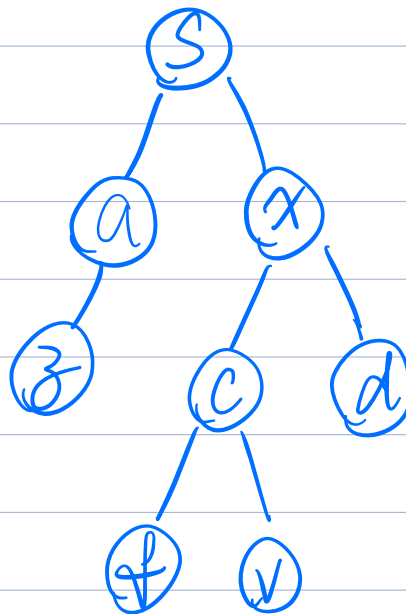
●: vertices out of Q already; "finished"

Coloring kinda overkill here, could use a bool "visited".

But will be useful in the future...

* Sometimes also colored as ○, ●, ●

This gives us a BFS Tree with root s.





Runtime: $\Theta(|V| + |E|)$

Correctness:

Key Lemma: For any u, v , if u added to Q before v ,
 $\text{dist}(u) \leq \text{dist}(v)$.

Proof: Loop Invariant:

- ① For any two vertices v_1, v_2 currently in Q ,
 $\text{dist}(v_1) \leq \text{dist}(v_2) + 1$
- ② For any "discovered" (/) v_1, v_2 ,
if v_1 pushed into Q before v_2 ,
(\Leftrightarrow v_1 popped out before v_2 ,
 \Leftrightarrow v_1 "finished" before v_2),
then $\text{dist}(v_1) \leq \text{dist}(v_2)$

Init: ✓

Maintenance:

- ① By invariant ②, all vertices in Q are in increasing order of their $\text{dist} \Rightarrow$ their dist is at least $\text{dist}(u)$, but at most $\text{dist}(u) + 1$. The new v 's we add into Q have dist of $\text{dist}(u) + 1$. So everything in Q has $\text{dist}(u)$ or $\text{dist}(u) + 1$.

② If not, that means when we're discovering v (adding it to Q), there is a vertex v' already discovered with $\text{dist}(v') > \text{dist}(v) = \text{dist}(u) + 1$.

i) if v' added to Q before u ,

$\text{dist}(v') \leq \text{dist}(u)$, contradiction!

ii) if v' added after u ,

that means v' still in Q ! By ①,

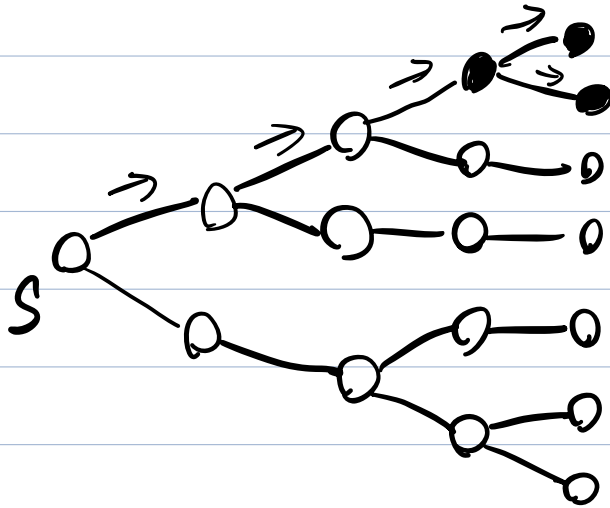
$\text{dist}(u) \leq \text{dist}(v') \leq \text{dist}(u) + 1$, contradiction!

Termination: For any u, v , if u added to Q before v ,
 $\text{dist}(u) \leq \text{dist}(v)$. ✗

For full proof of correctness, see CLRS §20.2. (optional)

2. Depth First Search (DFS)

Idea: Pick an edge, explore everything in that subtree, then move on to the next edge.



Solving a maze using DFS:

<https://youtu.be/RaQDROsFQoY>

- When at a crossroad, put down a marker to mark the route you came from
- Explore the left most route (recursively)
- Explore the second left route...
- ...
- After exploring all routes, go back down the route you came from (backtrack)

Pseudo-Code (Ignore the red lines for now)

DFS-Visit(G, u)

1. $time += 1$
2. $disc(u) = time$
3. $color(u) = \text{YELLOW}$
4. For all $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$:
5. If $color(v) = \text{WHITE}$:
6. $parent(v) = u$
7. DFS-Visit(G, v)
8. $color(u) = \text{GREEN}$
9. $time += 1$
10. $finish(u) = time$

DFS(G)

1. $time = 0$
2. For all $u \in V$:
3. $color(u) = \text{WHITE}$
4. $parent(u) = \perp$
5. For all $u \in V$:
6. If $color(u) = \text{WHITE}$:
7. DFS-Visit(G, u)

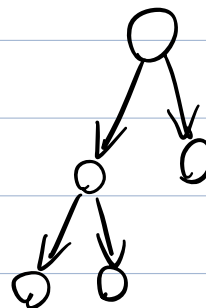
* We usually use DFS to learn something on the entire graph, so we run it on every vertex

○: Not discovered

○: Discovered, but not fully explored

●: Fully explored

Gives a DFS tree.



Runtime: - DFS: $\Theta(|V|)$ excluding calls to DFS-Visit

- One DFS-Visit call on each vertex, and it takes time $|Adj[u]|$. Total?

$$\sum_{u \in V} |Adj[u]| = \Theta(|E|)$$

$\Rightarrow \Theta(|V| + |E|)$ runtime

Correctness: Trivial to see we indeed visit every node.

Depth-First: \checkmark line 4-7 in DFS-Visit

Show other properties later.

Magic Time!!

~~D~~BFS(G, s):

1. For all $v \in V$:
2. $visited(v) = FALSE$
3. $parent(v) = \perp$
4. $L =$ ^{Stack}~~Queue~~ $, Init()$
5. $explore(G, L, s)$
6. While L is not empty:
7. ① $(u, v) = L.pop()$
8. If $\neg visited(v)$:
9. $parent(v) = u$
10. ② $explore(v)$

$explore(G, L, v)$:

1. ② $visited[v] = TRUE$
2. For $w \in Adj[v]$:
3. $L.push((v, w))$

Differences from BFS above:

- ① Queue contains edges instead of vertices
- ② Only mark as visited when we add all its neighbors

Magic Trick: change BFS to DFS

Just use Stack (FILO)

instead of Queue (FIFO)

- Essentially, the stack simulates the recursion
- This trick does NOT work on all BFS implementations
 - * Alg. needs to be carefully crafted (hence the red changes)
 - * e.g. replacing Q with S on the old BFS does not work