

# Depth-first Search

INPUT: A connected graph  $G = (V, E)$ ,  $V = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ .

OUTPUT: A (depth-first) spanning tree  $T$  of  $G$ .

(Step 1) Initialize  $T = (V_T, E_T)$ :  $V_T = \{v_1\}$  and  $E_T = \emptyset$ .  
Set  $current := v_1$ .

(Step 2) Select the neighbour of  $current$  with the lowest index which is not yet visited. If no such neighbour exist, continue to Step 3. If it does exist, say  $v_i$ , set  $current := v_i$  and return to Step 2.

(Step 3) If  $current \neq v_1$ , then find the parent  $v_j$  of  $current$ , and set  $current = v_j$  (backtracking).  
Go to Step 2.

(Step 4) If  $current = v_1$ , then stop.

# Breadth-first Search

INPUT: A connected graph  $G = (V, E)$ ,  $V = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ .

OUTPUT: A (breadth-first) spanning tree  $T$  of  $G$ .

(Step 1) Initialize  $T = (V_T, E_T)$ :  $V_T = \{v_1\}$  and  $E_T = \emptyset$ .  
Insert  $v_1$  in a queue  $Q$ .

(Step 2) Set *current* to be the vertex at the front of the queue  $Q$ , and delete this vertex from  $Q$ . Add all neighbours of *current* that have not been visited to the rear of the queue, in order of increasing index. If no such neighbours exist, repeat Step 2.

(Step 3) If  $Q$  is empty, then stop.

**Vertex set:**  $\{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h\}$ .

**Adjacency matrix:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Merge sort:

INPUT: A list  $L$  of  $n$  unordered numbers

OUTPUT: A list  $OL$  of the same numbers in increasing order.

(Step 1:) Form a binary tree  $T$  of height  $t$ , where  $t = \lceil \log_2(n) \rceil$ . Label its leaves with the elements of  $L$ . Label all intermediate nodes as unfinished, all leaves as finished.

(Step 2:) Find an unfinished intermediate node  $v$  with two finished children with lists  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ :

(Step2a:) Merge  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  into  $L$ : take the smallest of the first elements of  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ , remove it from its list and put it at the end of  $L$ . Repeat this until  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are empty.

(Step 2b:) Assign  $L$  to  $v$ , and label  $v$  as finished.

Repeat this step until all nodes are finished.

(Step 3:) Let  $OL$  be the list assigned to the root.

A *relation* from set  $A$  to set  $B$  is a subset of  $A \times B$ .

**Notation:** Given a relation  $R \subseteq A \times B$ ,

$$xRy \Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in R$$

A relation  $R$  on a set  $A$  is a relation from  $A$  to  $A$ . Such a relation can have the following properties (universe of the quantifiers is  $A$ ):

**Reflexive:**

$$\forall_x (x, x) \in R.$$

**Symmetric:**

$$\forall_x \forall_y (x, y) \in R \rightarrow (y, x) \in R.$$

**Antisymmetric:**

$$\forall_x \forall_y [(x, y) \in R \wedge (y, x) \in R] \rightarrow x = y$$

**Transitive:**

$$\forall_x \forall_y \forall_z [(x, y) \in R \wedge (y, z) \in R] \rightarrow (x, z) \in R$$

$A$	$xRy$ if:	refl.	sym.	antis.	tr
people	$x$ is taller than $y$			X	
reals	$x < y$			X	
reals	$x \geq y$	X		X	
integers	$x y$	X		X	
integers	$x + y$ is even	X	X		
people	$x$ has the same age as $y$	X		X	
people	$x$ has a parent in common with $y$	X		X	
integers	$y = x^2$				
sets	$x \subseteq y$	X		X	
integers	$x$ and $y$ are relatively prime		X		
integers	$x$ and $y$ , divided by 5 have the same remainder	X	X		
bit strings of length 7	$x$ and $y$ have the same number of 1's	X	X		
web pages	$x$ has a hyperlink to $y$				

**Partial order:** a relation that is reflexive, anti-symmetric and transitive.

**Examples:**

- The relation  $R$  on  $\mathbb{Z}$  where  $xRy$  if  $x \geq y$ ,
- The relation  $R$  on the collection of all sets where  $xRy$  if  $x \subseteq y$ ,
- The relation  $R$  on  $\mathbb{Z}$  where  $xRy$  if  $x|y$ .

**Equivalence relation:** a relation that is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

**Examples:**

- The relation  $R$  on  $\mathbb{Z}$  where  $xRy$  if  $x - y$  is divisible by 5.
- The relation  $R$  on the set of all people where  $xRy$  if  $x$  and  $y$  have the same age.

A relation  $R$  on a set  $A$  can be represented as a directed graph  $G_R = (A, E)$  as follows:

The vertices of  $G_R$  are the elements of  $A$

The edge set  $E = \{(a, b) \in A \times A | aRb\}$ .

A relation  $R$  on a set  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$  can be represented by an  $n \times n$  relation matrix  $A$  as follows:

$$A_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a_i R a_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Note that the relation matrix of  $R$  is the adjacency matrix of the directed graph representing  $R$ .