

Elementary Graph Algorithms

- Graph representation
- Graph traversal
 - Breadth-first search
 - Depth-first search
- Parenthesis theorem

Graphs

- ◆ *Graph* $G = (V, E)$

- » V = set of vertices

- » E = set of edges $\subseteq (V \times V)$

- ◆ Types of graphs

- » **Undirected**: edge $(u, v) = (v, u)$; for all v , $(v, v) \notin E$ (No self loops.)

- » **Directed**: (u, v) is edge from u to v , denoted as $u \rightarrow v$. Self loops are allowed.

- » **Weighted**: each edge has an associated **weight**, given by a weight function $w : E \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$.

- » **Dense**: $|E| \approx |V|^2$.

- » **Sparse**: $|E| \ll |V|^2$.

- ◆ $|E| = O(|V|^2)$

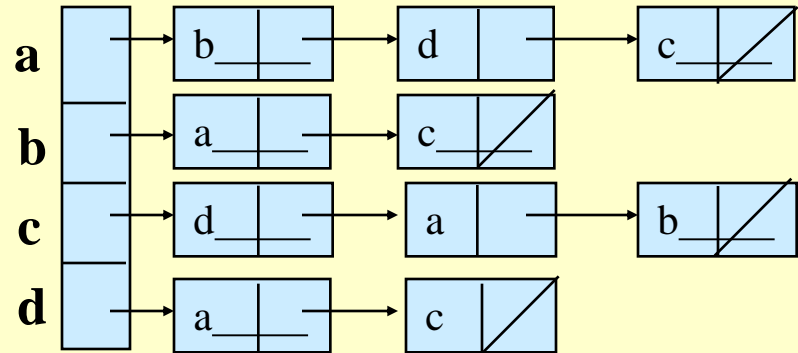
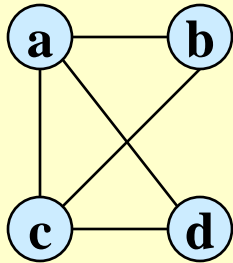
Graphs

- ◆ If $(u, v) \in E$, then vertex v is **adjacent** to vertex u .
- ◆ **Adjacency relationship is:**
 - » Symmetric if G is undirected.
 - » Not necessarily so if G is directed.
- ◆ If G is **connected**:
 - » There is a **path between every pair of vertices**.
 - » $|E| \geq |V| - 1$.
 - » Furthermore, if $|E| = |V| - 1$, then G is a tree.
- ◆ Other definitions in Appendix B (B.4 and B.5) as needed.

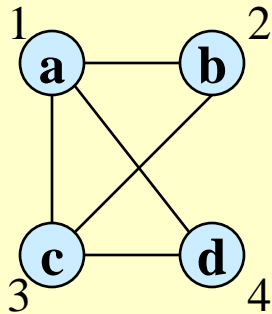
Representation of Graphs

◆ Two standard ways.

» Adjacency Lists.



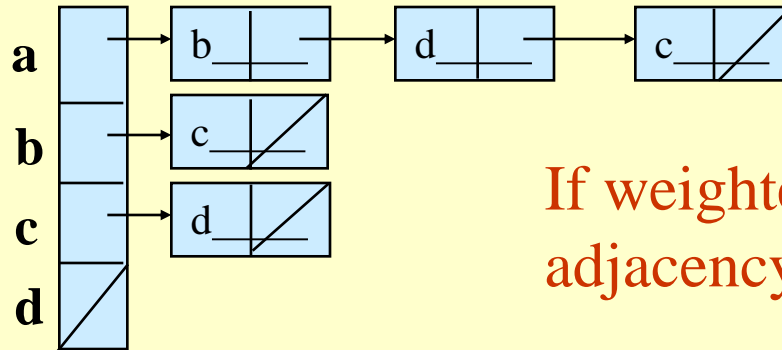
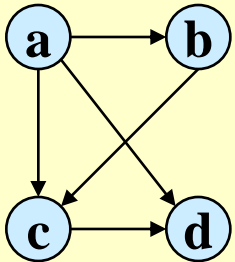
» Adjacency Matrix.



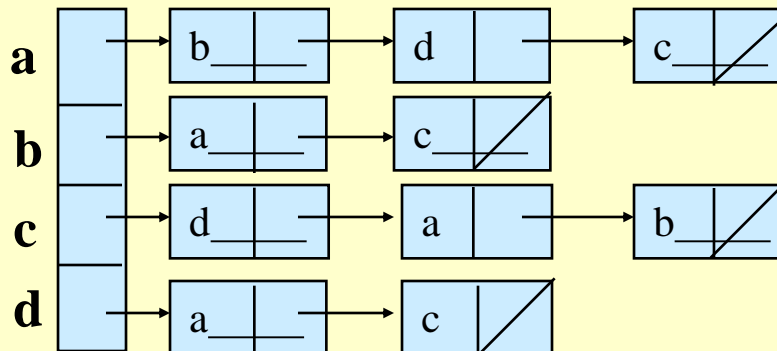
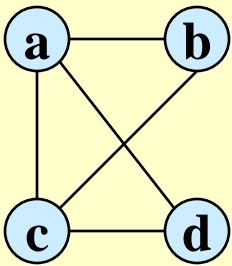
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3	1	1	0	1
4	1	0	1	0

Adjacency Lists

- ◆ Consists of an array Adj of $|V|$ lists.
- ◆ One list per vertex.
- ◆ For $u \in V$, $Adj[u]$ consists of all vertices adjacent to u .



If weighted, store weights also in adjacency lists.



Storage Requirement

◆ For directed graphs:

» Sum of lengths of all adj. lists is

$$\sum_{v \in V} \text{out-degree}(v) = |E|$$

← No. of edges leaving v

» Total storage: $\Theta(|V| + |E|)$

◆ For undirected graphs:

» Sum of lengths of all adj. lists is

$$\sum_{v \in V} \text{degree}(v) = 2|E|$$

← No. of edges incident on v . Edge (u,v) is incident on vertices u and v .

» Total storage: $\Theta(|V| + |E|)$

Pros and Cons: adj list

◆ Pros

- » **Space-efficient**, when a graph is sparse.
- » Can be modified to support many graph variants.

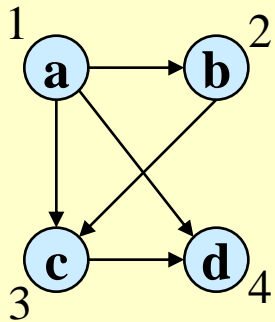
◆ Cons

- » **Determining if an edge $(u, v) \in G$ is not efficient.**
 - Have to search in u 's adjacency list. $\Theta(\text{degree}(u))$ time.
 - $\Theta(V)$ in the worst case.

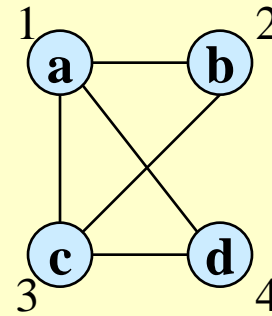
Adjacency Matrix

- ◆ $|V| \times |V|$ matrix A .
- ◆ Number vertices from 1 to $|V|$ in some arbitrary manner.
- ◆ A is then given by:

$$A[i, j] = a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (i, j) \in E \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



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$A = A^T$ for undirected graphs.

Space and Time

- ◆ **Space:** $\Theta(V^2)$.
 - » Not memory efficient for large graphs.
- ◆ **Time:** to list all vertices adjacent to u : $\Theta(V)$.
- ◆ **Time:** to determine if $(u, v) \in E$: $\Theta(1)$.
- ◆ Can store weights instead of bits for weighted graph.

Graph-searching Algorithms

- ◆ **Searching a graph:**
 - » Systematically follow the edges of a graph to visit the vertices of the graph.
- ◆ Used to **discover the structure of a graph.**
- ◆ Standard graph-searching algorithms.
 - » Breadth-first Search (BFS).
 - » Depth-first Search (DFS).

Breadth-first Search

- ◆ **Input:** Graph $G = (V, E)$, either directed or undirected, and *source vertex* $s \in V$.
- ◆ **Output:**
 - » $d[v]$ = distance (smallest # of edges, or shortest path) from s to v , for all $v \in V$. $d[v] = \infty$ if v is not reachable from s .
 - » $\pi[v] = u$ such that (u, v) is last edge on shortest path $s \rightsquigarrow v$.
 - u is v 's **predecessor**.
 - » Builds breadth-first tree with root s that contains all reachable vertices.

Definitions:

Path between vertices u and v : Sequence of vertices (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k) such that $u=v_1$ and $v=v_k$, and $(v_i, v_{i+1}) \in E$, for all $1 \leq i \leq k-1$.

Length of the path: Number of edges in the path.

Path is **simple** if no vertex is repeated.

Breadth-first Search

- ◆ Expands the frontier between discovered and undiscovered vertices **uniformly** across the breadth of the frontier.
 - » A vertex is “**discovered**” the first time it is encountered during the search.
 - » A vertex is “**finished**” if all vertices adjacent to it have been discovered.
- ◆ Colors the vertices to keep track of progress.
 - » **White** – Undiscovered.
 - » **Gray** – Discovered but not finished.
 - » **Black** – Finished.

BFS(G,s)

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1. for each vertex  $u$  in  $V[G] - \{s\}$ 
2.     do  $color[u] \leftarrow white$ 
3.      $d[u] \leftarrow \infty$ 
4.      $\pi[u] \leftarrow nil$ 
5.  $color[s] \leftarrow gray$ 
6.  $d[s] \leftarrow 0$ 
7.  $\pi[s] \leftarrow nil$ 
8.  $Q \leftarrow \Phi$ 
9. enqueue( $Q,s$ )
10. while  $Q \neq \Phi$ 
11.     do  $u \leftarrow dequeue(Q)$ 
12.         for each  $v$  in  $Adj[u]$ 
13.             do if  $color[v] = white$ 
14.                 then  $color[v] \leftarrow gray$ 
15.                      $d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + 1$ 
16.                      $\pi[v] \leftarrow u$ 
17.                     enqueue( $Q,v$ )
18.          $color[u] \leftarrow black$ 
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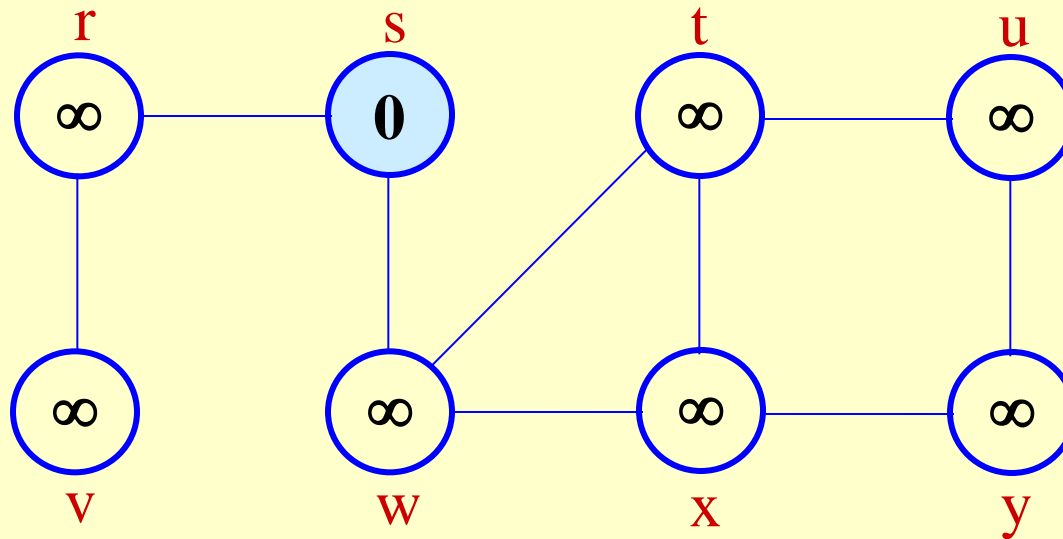
initialization

access source s

white: undiscovered
gray: discovered
black: finished

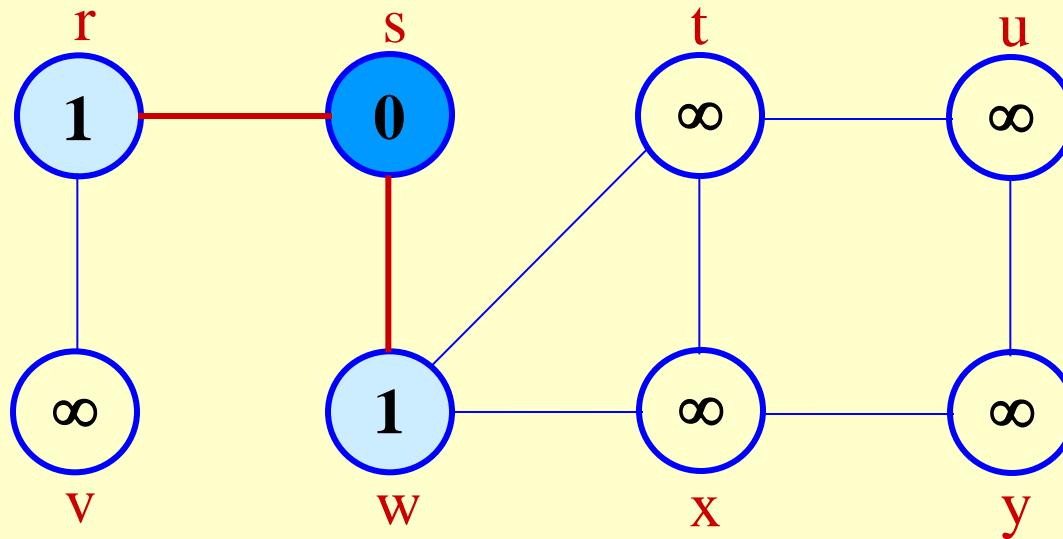
Q : a queue of discovered
vertices
 $color[v]$: color of v
 $d[v]$: distance from s to v
 $\pi[u]$: predecessor of v

Example (BFS)



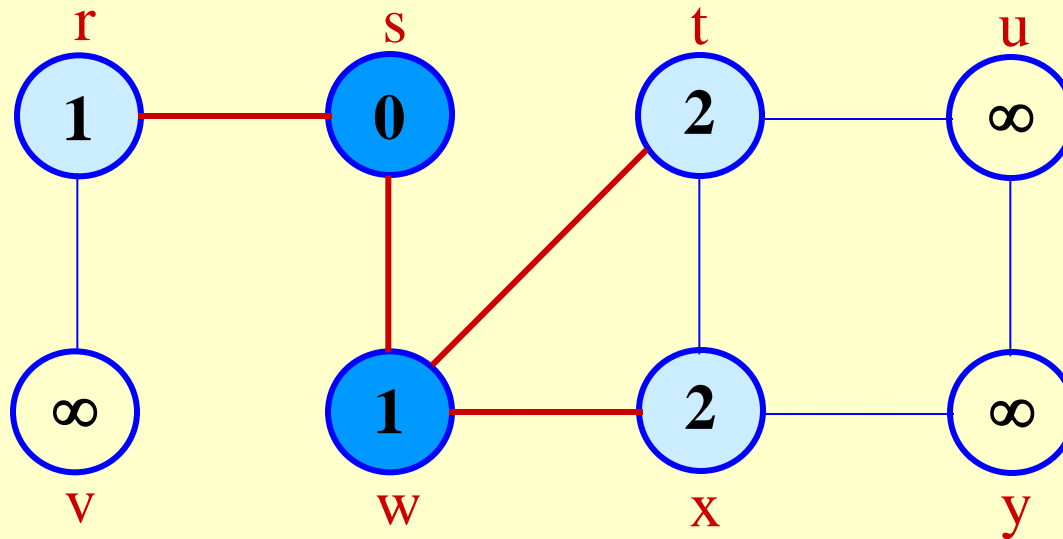
Q: s
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Example (BFS)



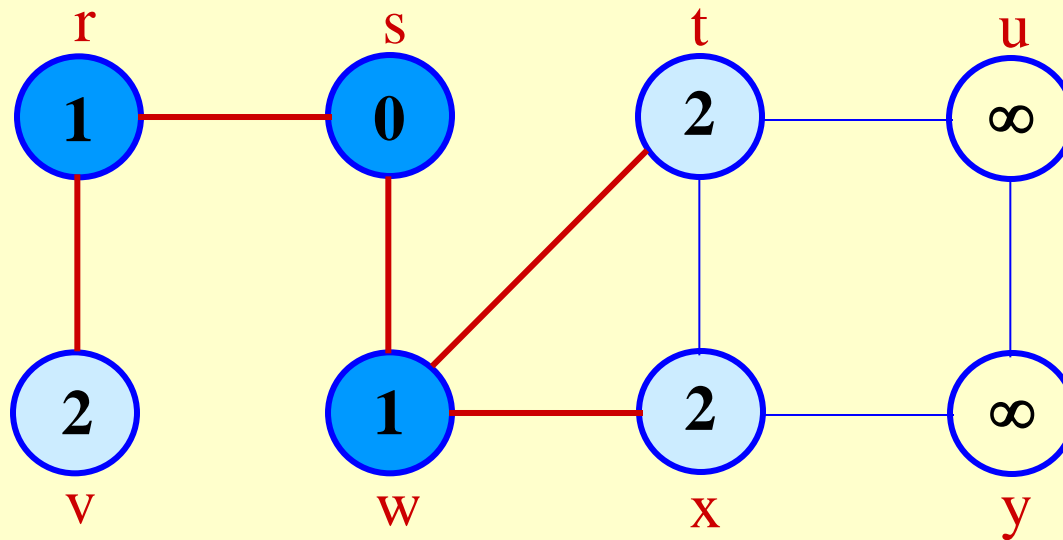
Q: w r
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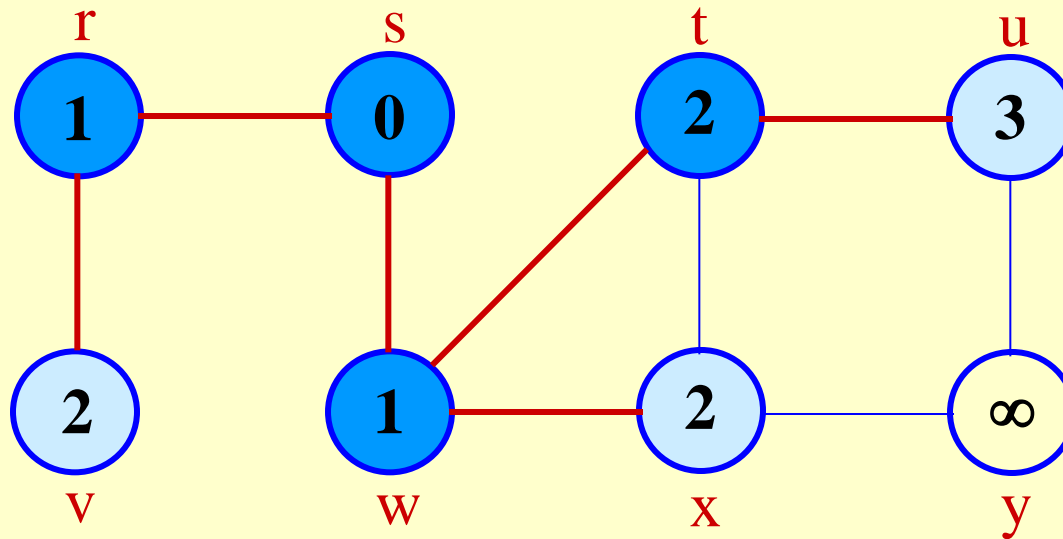
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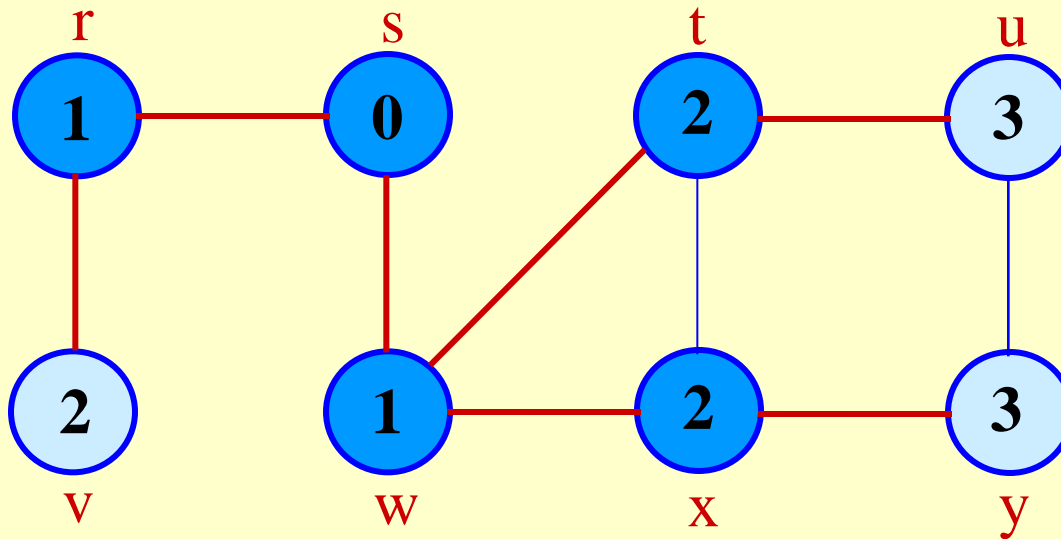
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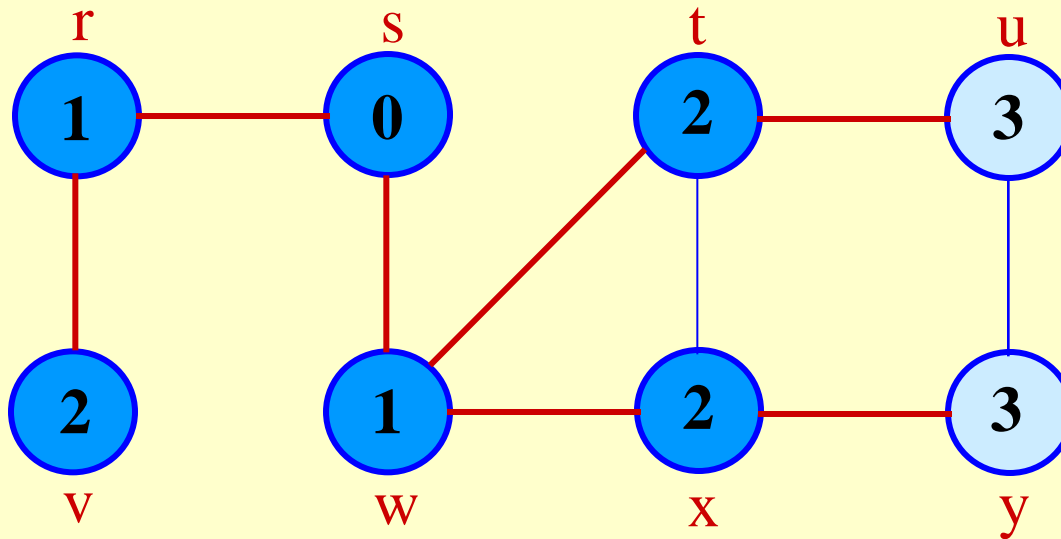
Q: x v u
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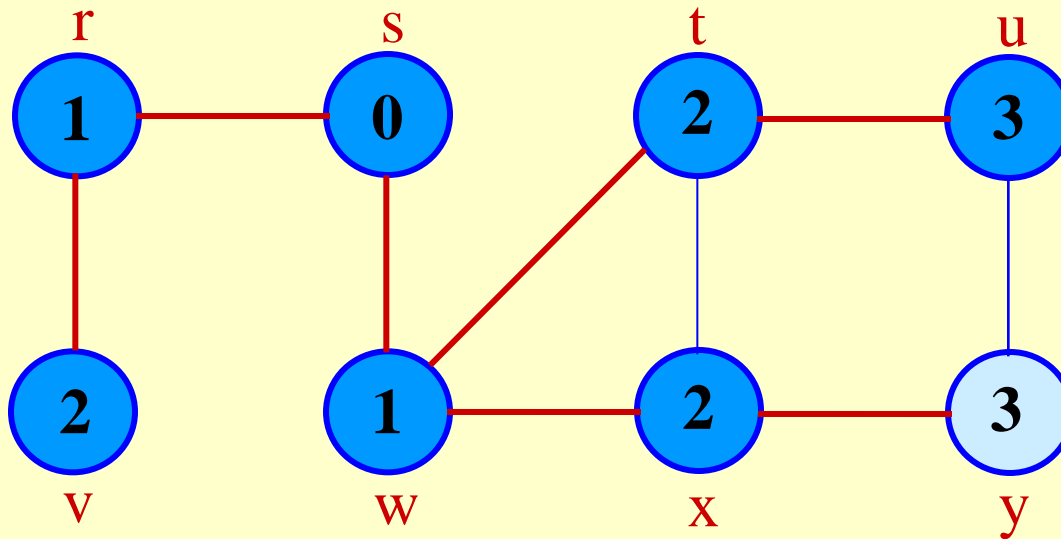
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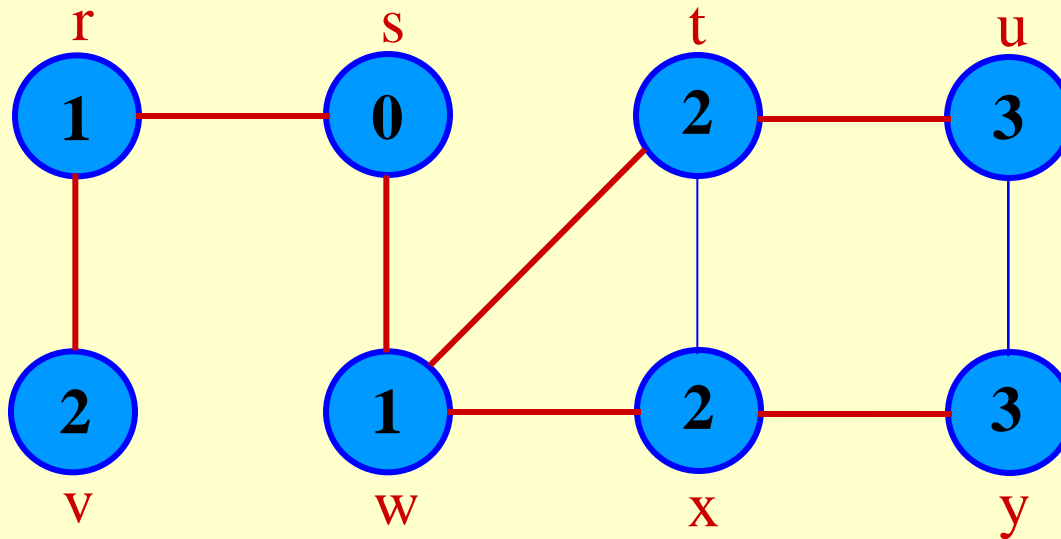
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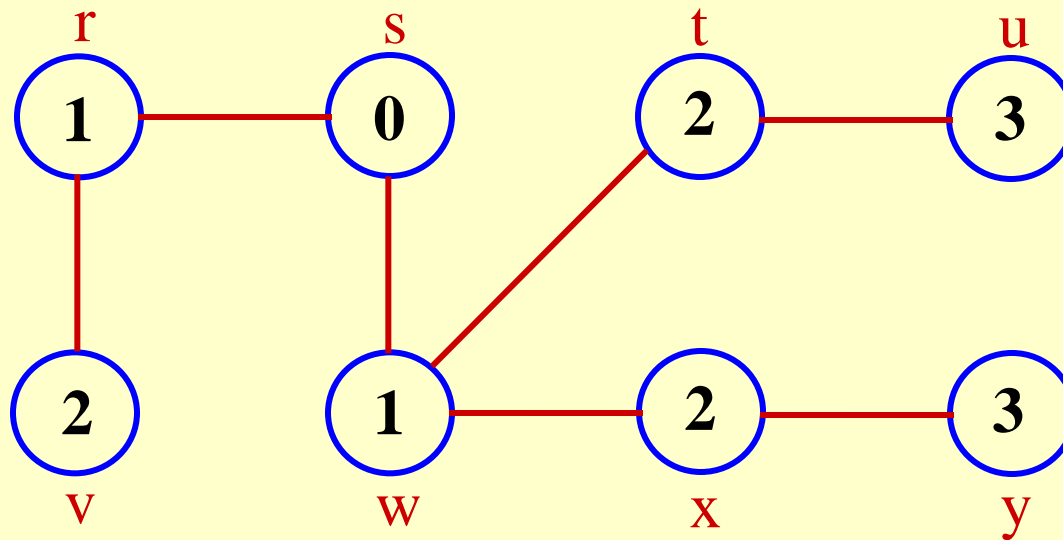
Q: y
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Example (BFS)



Q: \emptyset

Example (BFS)



BF Tree

Analysis of BFS

- ◆ Initialization takes $O(|V|)$.
- ◆ Traversal Loop
 - » After initialization, each vertex is enqueued and dequeued at most once, and each operation takes $O(1)$. So, total time for queuing is $O(|V|)$.
 - » The adjacency list of each vertex is scanned at most once. The sum of lengths of all adjacency lists is $\Theta(|E|)$.
- ◆ Summing up over all vertices \Rightarrow total running time of BFS is $O(|V| + |E|)$, linear in the size of the adjacency list representation of graph.
- ◆ **Correctness Proof**
 - » We omit for BFS and DFS.
 - » Will do for later algorithms.

Breadth-first Tree

- ◆ For a graph $G = (V, E)$ with source s , the **predecessor subgraph** of G is $G_\pi = (V_\pi, E_\pi)$ where
 - » $V_\pi = \{v \in V : \pi[v] \neq \text{nil}\} \cup \{s\}$
 - » $E_\pi = \{(\pi[v], v) \in E : v \in V_\pi - \{s\}\}$
- ◆ The predecessor subgraph G_π is a **breadth-first tree** if:
 - » V_π consists of the vertices reachable from s and
 - » for all $v \in V_\pi$, there is a unique simple path from s to v in G_π that is also a shortest path from s to v in G .
- ◆ The edges in E_π are called **tree edges**.
 $|E_\pi| = |V_\pi| - 1.$

Depth-first Search (DFS)

- ◆ Explore edges out of the most recently discovered vertex v .
- ◆ When all edges of v have been explored, backtrack to explore other edges leaving the vertex from which v was discovered (its *predecessor*).
- ◆ “Search as deep as possible first.”
- ◆ Continue until all vertices reachable from the original source are discovered.
- ◆ If any undiscovered vertices remain, then one of them is chosen as a new source and search is repeated from that source.

Depth-first Search

- ◆ **Input:** $G = (V, E)$, directed or undirected. No source vertex given!
- ◆ **Output:**
 - » **2 timestamps on each vertex.** Integers between 1 and $2|V|$.
 - $d[v] = \textit{discovery time}$ (v turns from white to gray)
 - $f[v] = \textit{finishing time}$ (v turns from gray to black)
 - » $\pi[v]$: predecessor of $v = u$, such that v was discovered during the scan of u 's adjacency list.
- ◆ Coloring scheme for vertices as BFS. A vertex is
 - » “**discovered**” the first time it is encountered during the search.
 - » A vertex is “**finished**” if it is a leaf node or all vertices adjacent to it have been finished.

Pseudo-code

DFS(G)

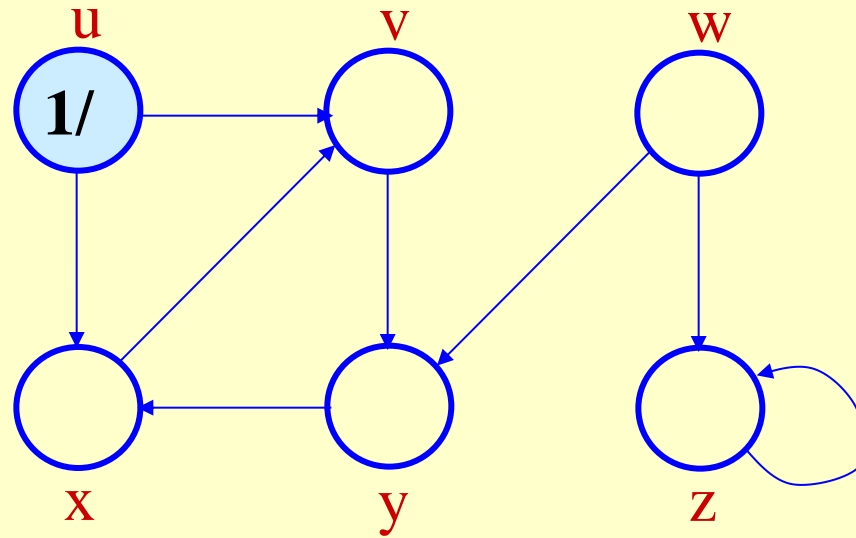
1. **for** each vertex $u \in V[G]$
2. **do** $color[u] \leftarrow$ white
3. $\pi[u] \leftarrow$ NIL
4. $time \leftarrow 0$
5. **for** each vertex $u \in V[G]$
6. **do if** $color[u] =$ white
7. **then** DFS-Visit(u)

Uses a global timestamp *time*.

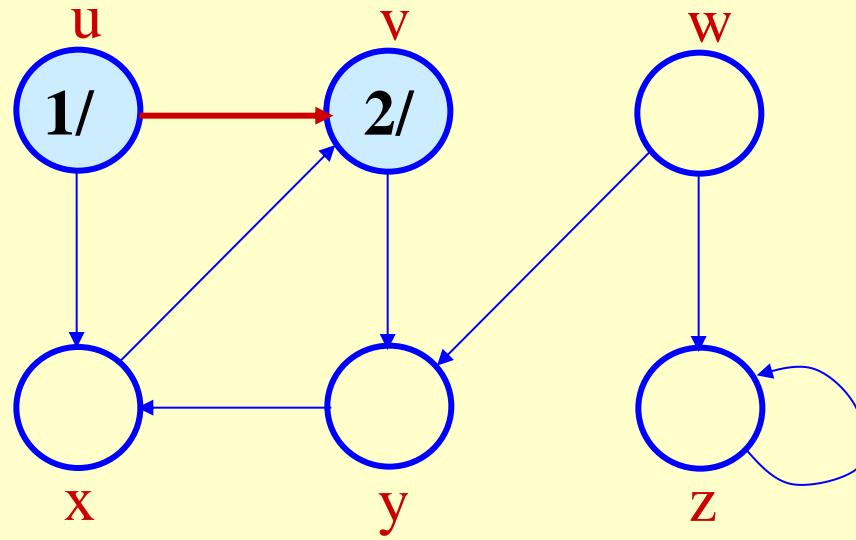
DFS-Visit(u)

1. $color[u] \leftarrow$ GRAY // White vertex u
 has been discovered
2. $time \leftarrow time + 1$
3. $d[u] \leftarrow time$
4. **for** each $v \in Adj[u]$
5. **do if** $color[v] =$ WHITE
6. **then** $\pi[v] \leftarrow u$
7. DFS-Visit(v)
8. $color[u] \leftarrow$ BLACK // Blacken u ;
 it is finished.
9. $f[u] \leftarrow time \leftarrow time + 1$

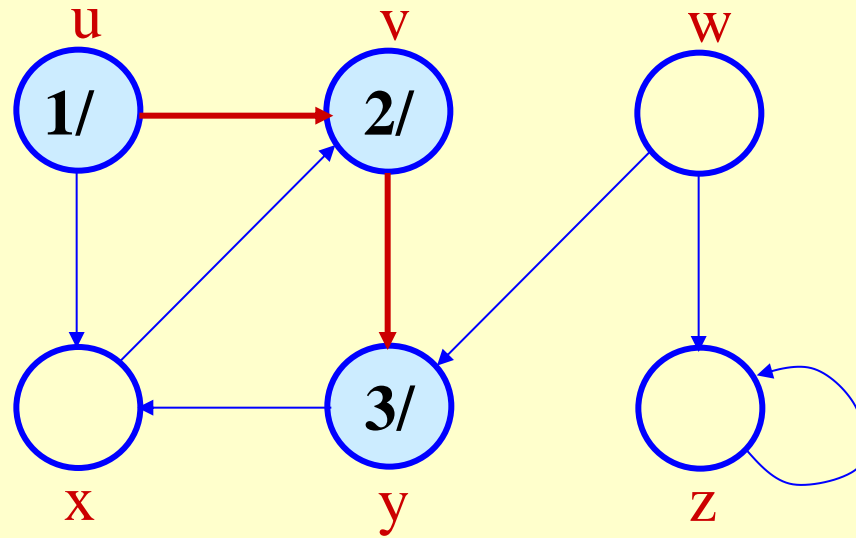
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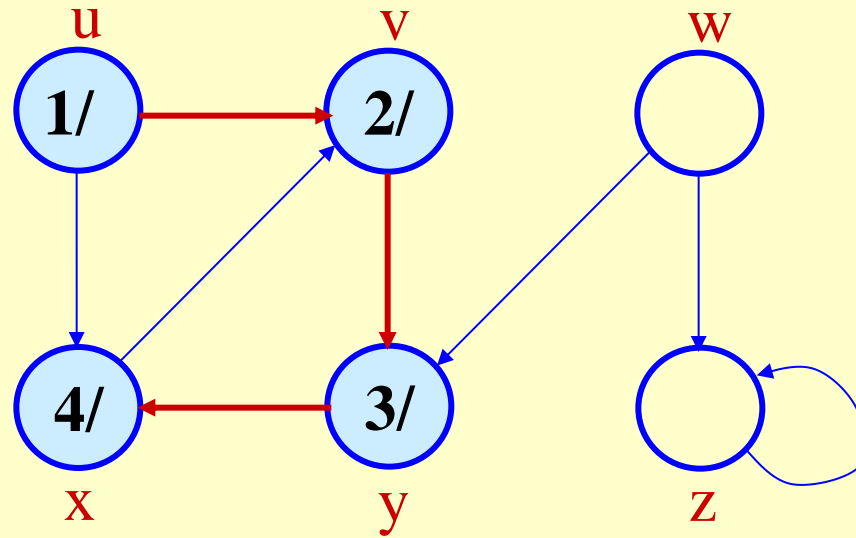
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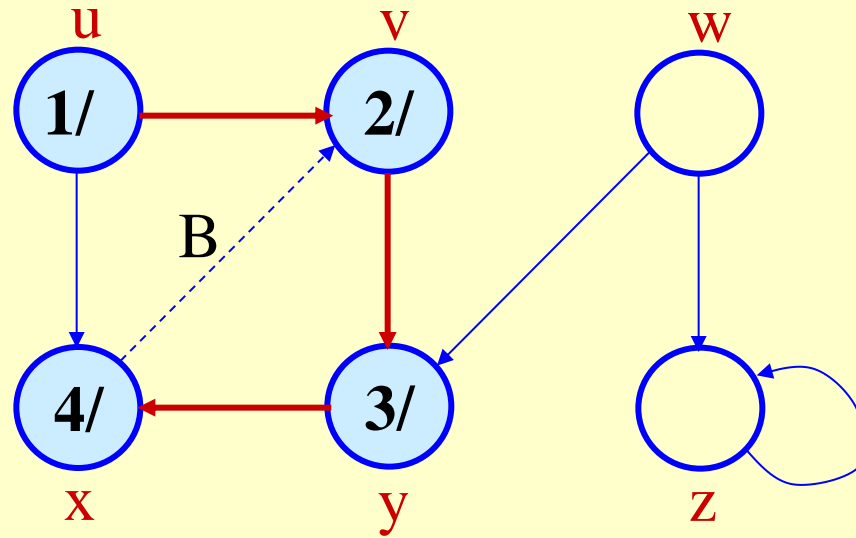
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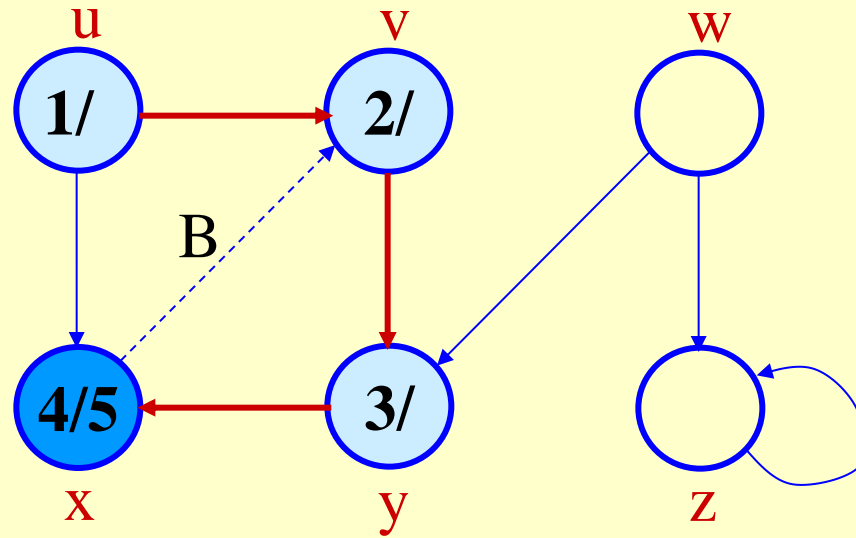
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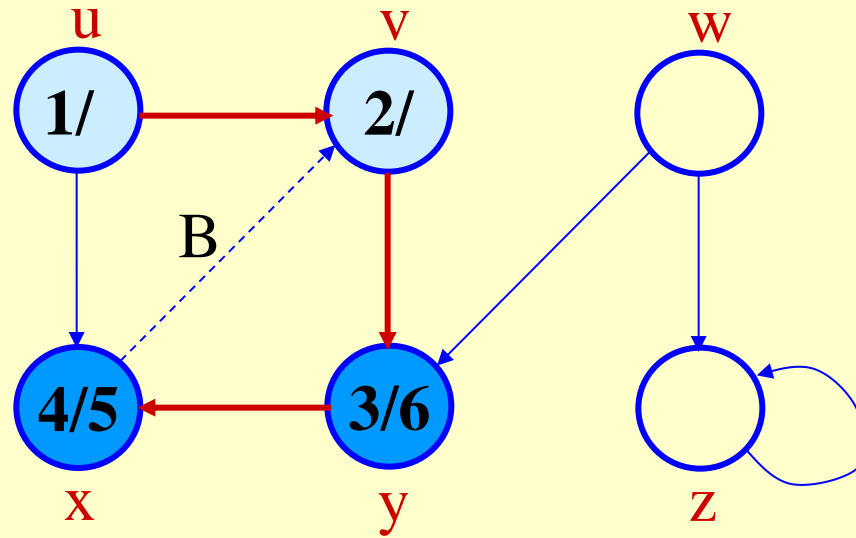
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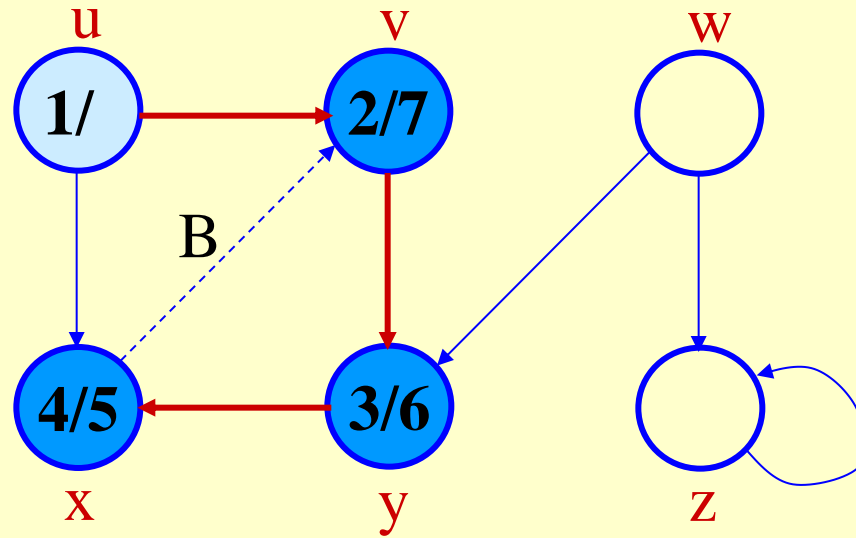
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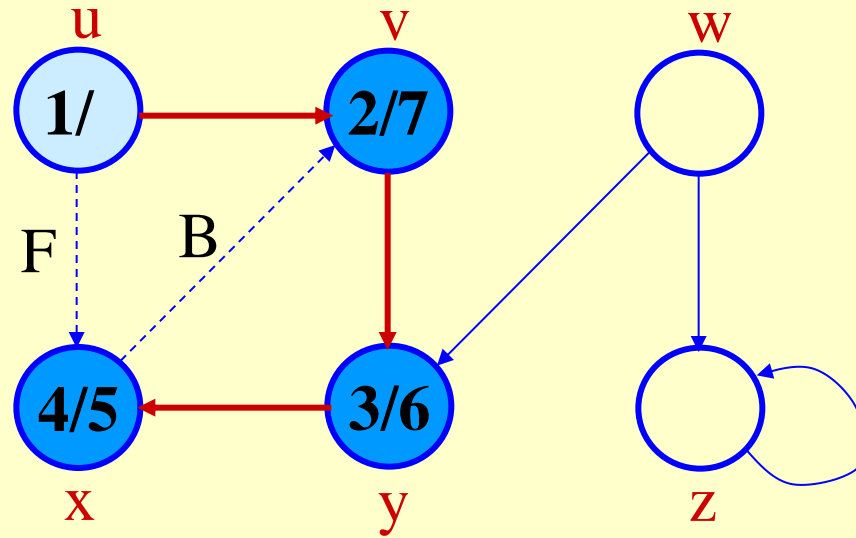
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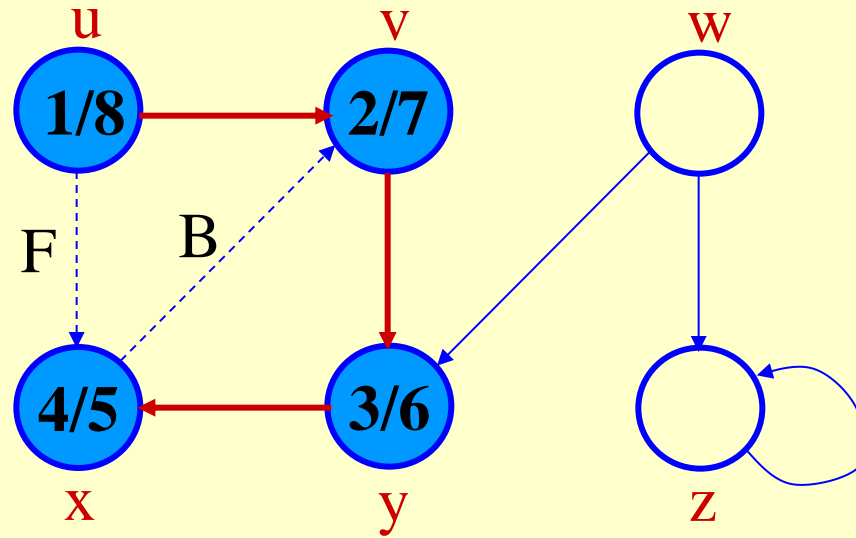
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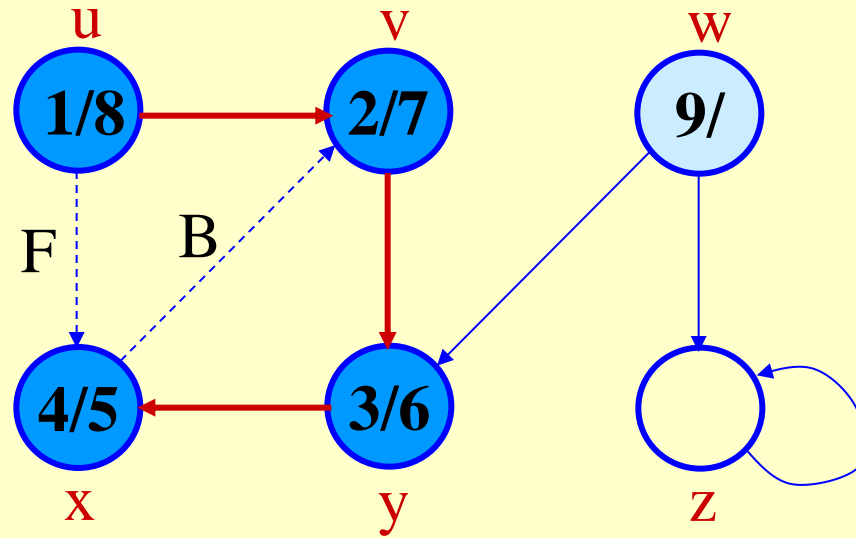
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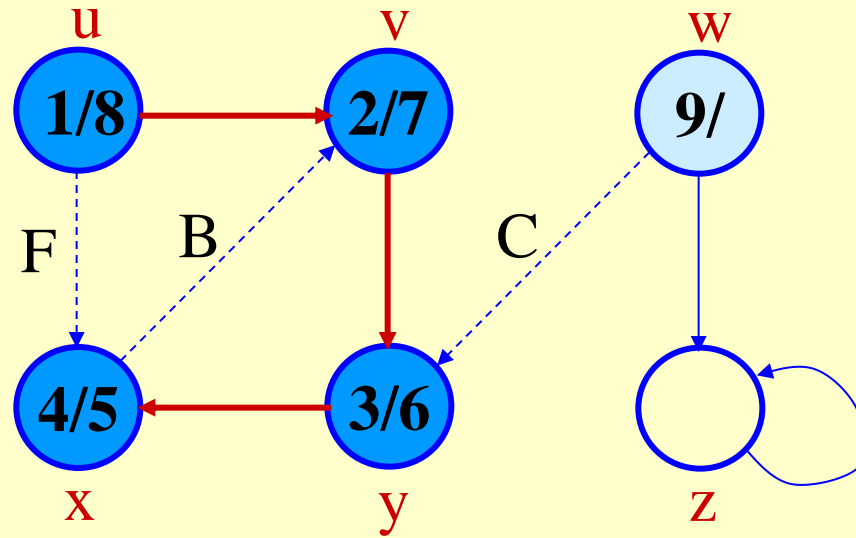
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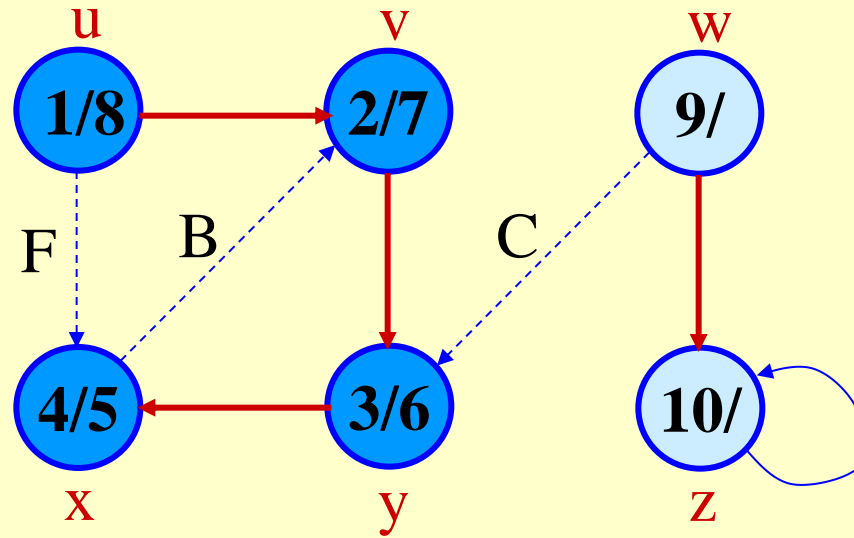
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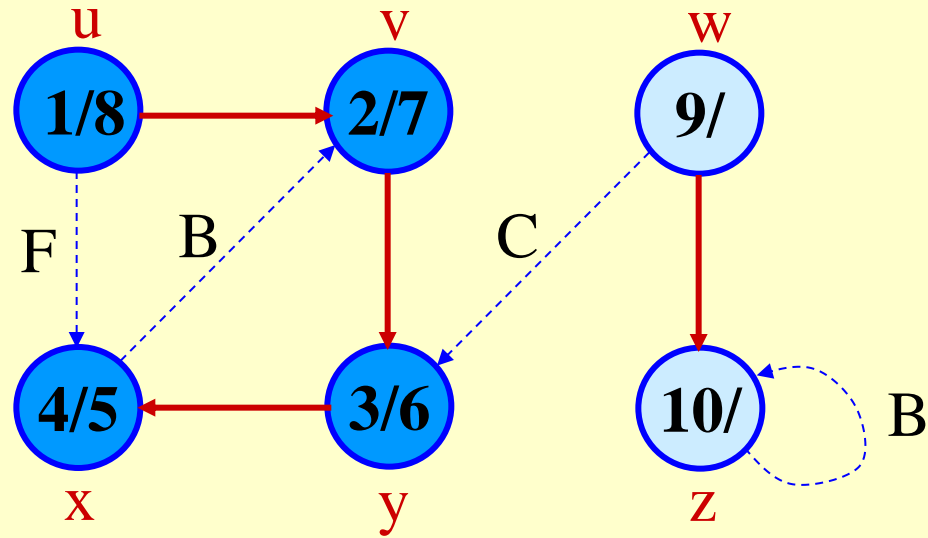
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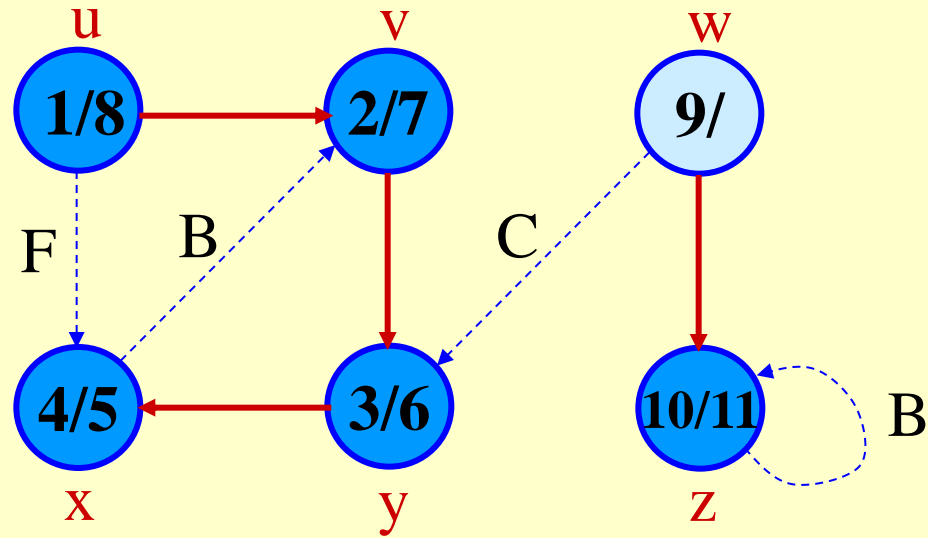
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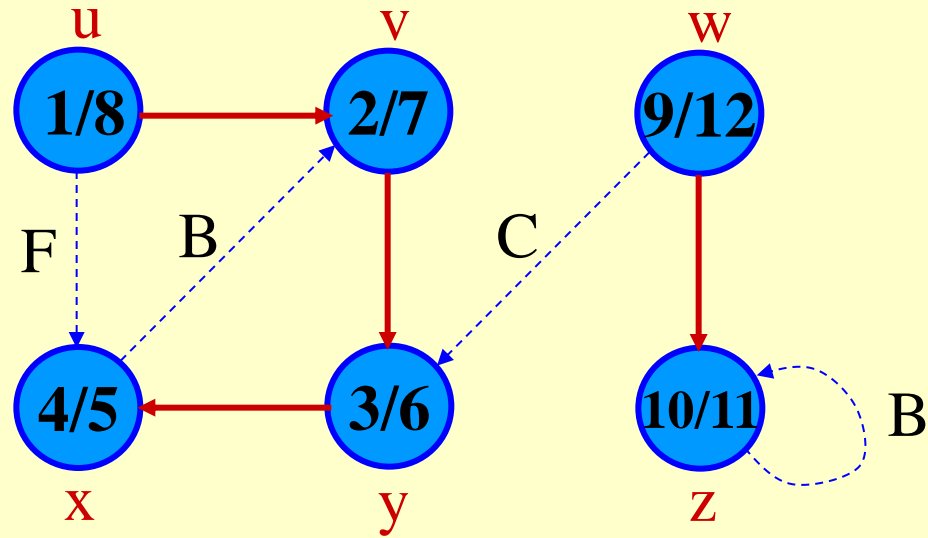
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Analysis of DFS

- ◆ Loops on lines 1-2 & 5-7 take $\Theta(V)$ time, excluding time to execute DFS-Visit.
- ◆ DFS-Visit is called once for each white vertex $v \in V$ when it's painted gray the first time. Lines 3-6 of DFS-Visit is executed $|\text{Adj}[v]|$ times. The total cost of executing DFS-Visit is $\sum_{v \in V} |\text{Adj}[v]| = \Theta(E)$
- ◆ Total running time of DFS is $\Theta(|V| + |E|)$.

Parenthesis Theorem

Theorem 22.7

For all u, v , exactly one of the following holds:

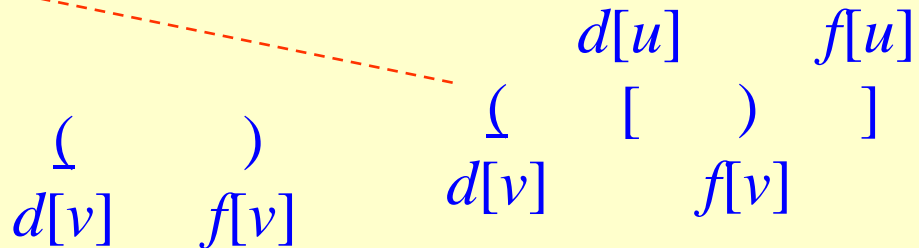
1. $d[u] < f[u] < d[v] < f[v]$ or $d[v] < f[v] < d[u] < f[u]$ and neither u nor v is a descendant of the other.
2. $d[u] < d[v] < f[v] < f[u]$ and v is a descendant of u .
3. $d[v] < d[u] < f[u] < f[v]$ and u is a descendant of v .

◆ So $d[u] < d[v] < f[u] < f[v]$ *cannot* happen.

◆ Like parentheses:

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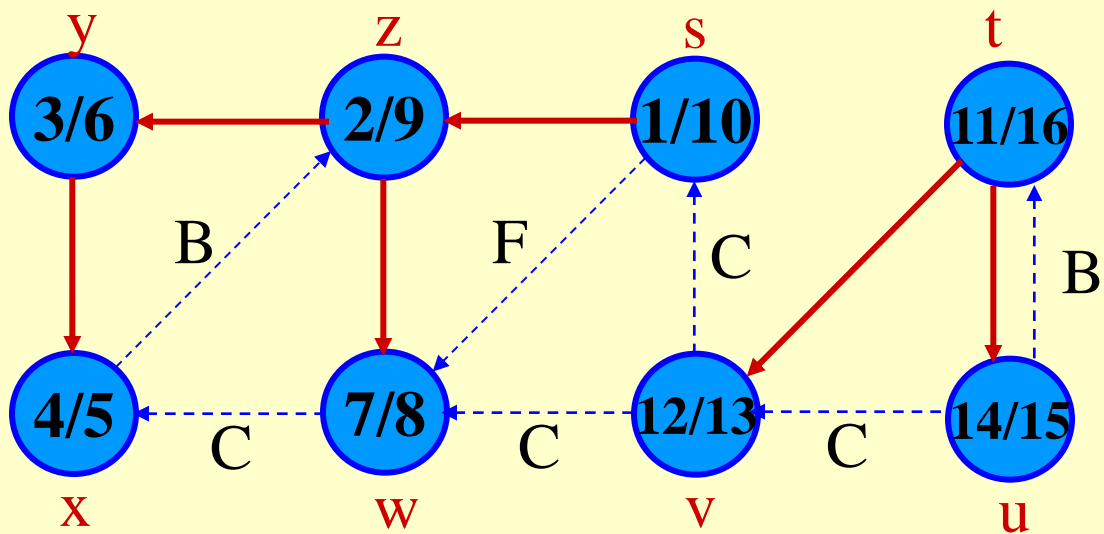
◆ Not OK: $([]) [(]$



Corollary

v is a proper descendant of u if and only if $d[u] < d[v] < f[v] < f[u]$.

Example (Parenthesis Theorem)



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Depth-First Trees

- ◆ Predecessor subgraph defined slightly different from that of BFS.
- ◆ The predecessor subgraph of DFS is $G_\pi = (V, E_\pi)$ where $E_\pi = \{(\pi[v], v) : v \in V \text{ and } \pi[v] \neq \text{nil}\}$.
 - » How does it differ from that of BFS?
 - » The predecessor subgraph G_π forms a *depth-first forest* composed of several *depth-first trees*. The edges in E_π are called *tree edges*.

Definition:

Forest: An acyclic graph G that may be disconnected.

White-path Theorem

Theorem 22.9

v is a descendant of u in *DF-tree* if and only if at time $d[u]$, there is a path $u \rightsquigarrow v$ consisting of only white vertices. (Except for u , which was *just* colored gray.)

Classification of Edges

- ◆ **Tree edge:** in the depth-first forest. Found by exploring (u, v) .
- ◆ **Back edge:** (u, v) , where u is a descendant of v (in the depth-first tree).
- ◆ **Forward edge:** (u, v) , where v is a descendant of u , but not a tree edge.
- ◆ **Cross edge:** any other edge. Can go between vertices in same depth-first tree or in different depth-first trees.

Theorem:

In DFS of an undirected graph, we get only tree and back edges.
No forward or cross edges.