

# Graph Algorithms

# 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**:  $|E| \ll |V|^2$ .

- ♦  $|E| = O(|V|^2)$

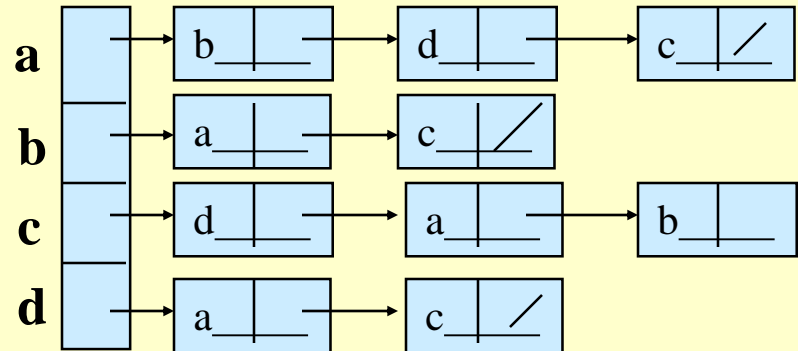
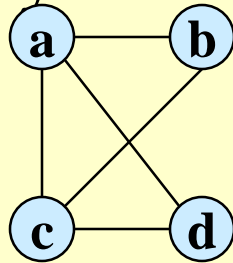
# Graphs

- ◆ 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.

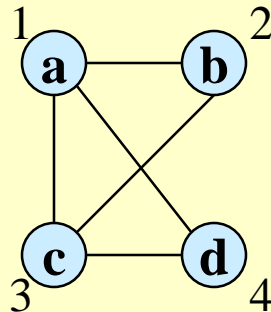
# Representation of Graphs

## ♦ Two standard ways.

### » Adjacency Lists.



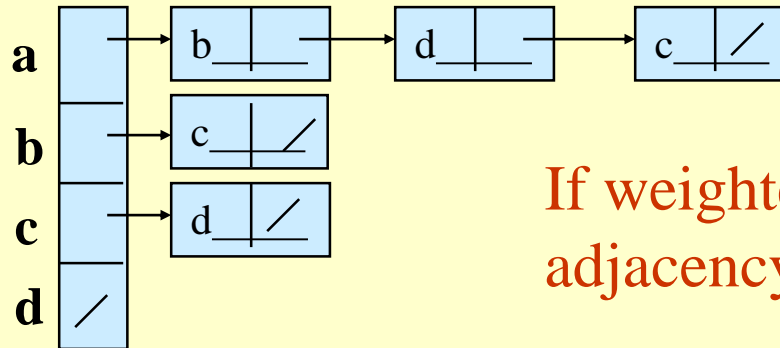
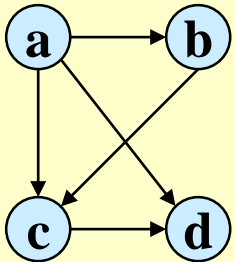
### » Adjacency Matrix.



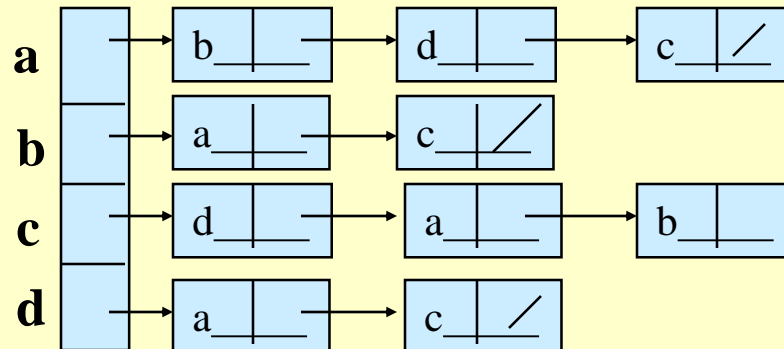
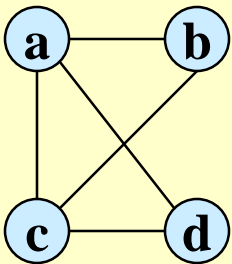
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1	0	1	1	1
2	1	0	1	0
3	1	1	0	1
4	1	0	1	0

# 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.

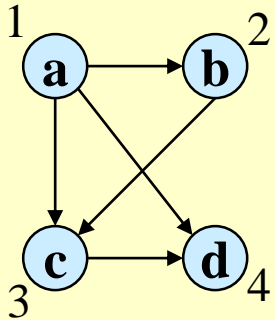
## ◆ Cons

- » **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.

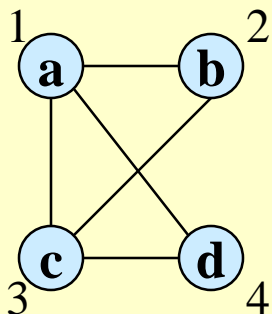
# Adjacency Matrix

- ◆  $|V| \times |V|$  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  $1 \leq i \leq k-1$ . **Error!**

**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.
    - Colors are required only to reason about the algorithm. Can be implemented without colors.

## BFS(G,s)

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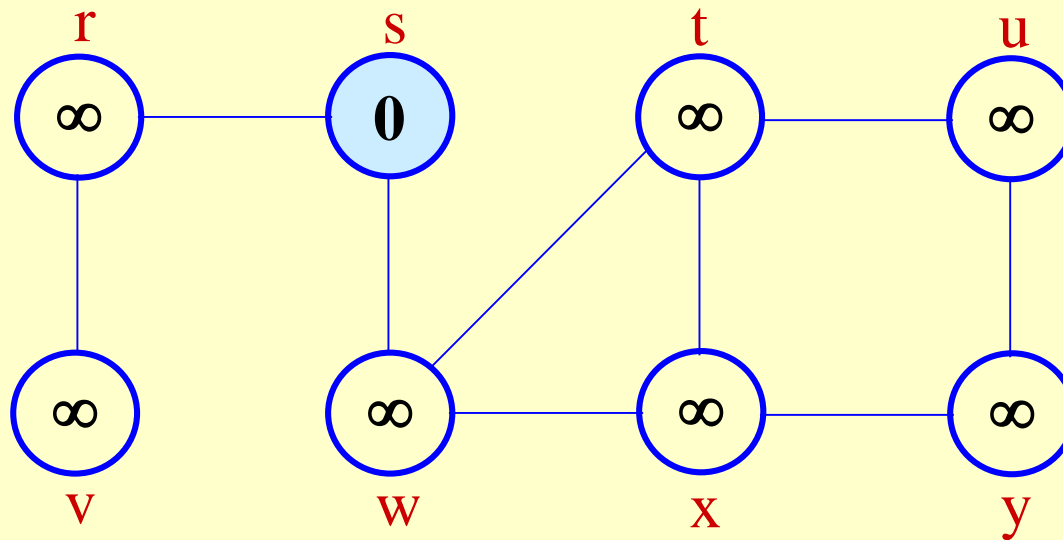
white: undiscovered  
gray: discovered  
black: finished

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

Example: animation.

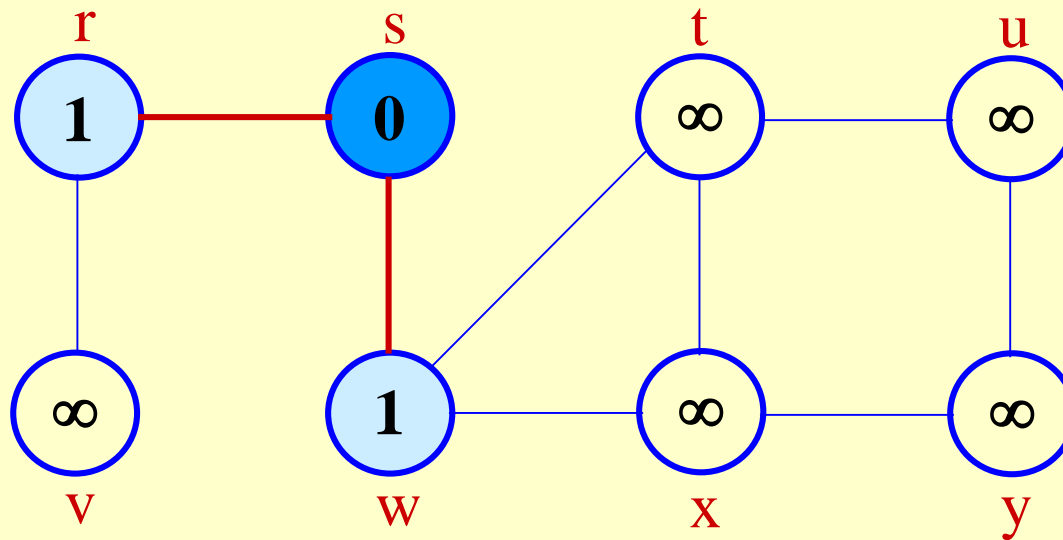
# Example (BFS)

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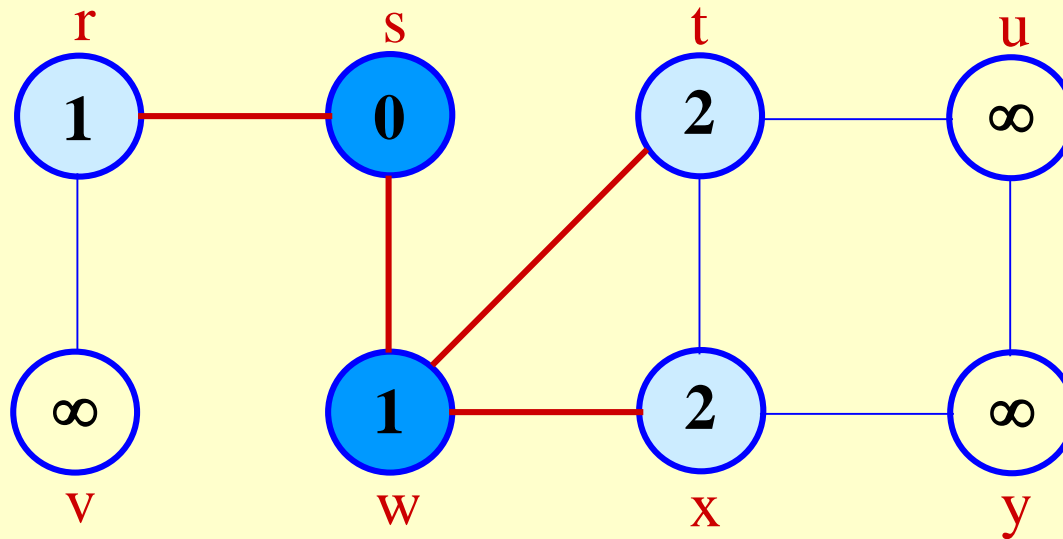
**Q:**  $s$   
 $0$

# Example (BFS)



Q:	w	r
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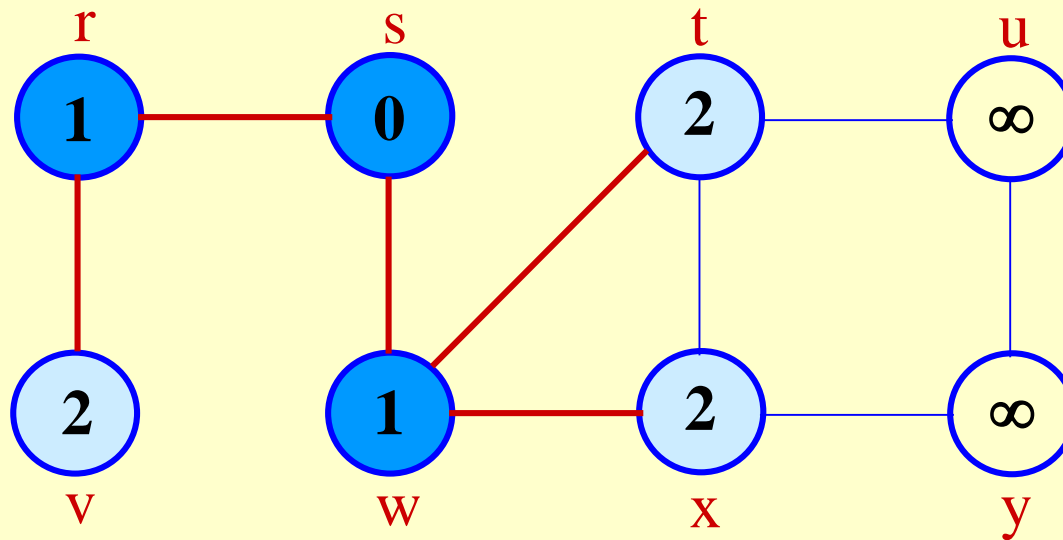
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Q: r t x  
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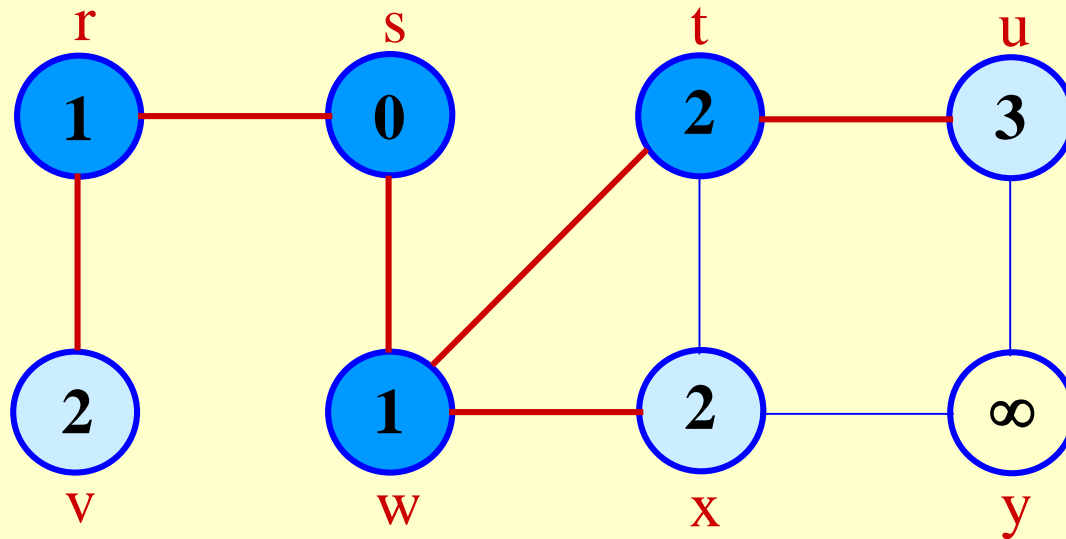


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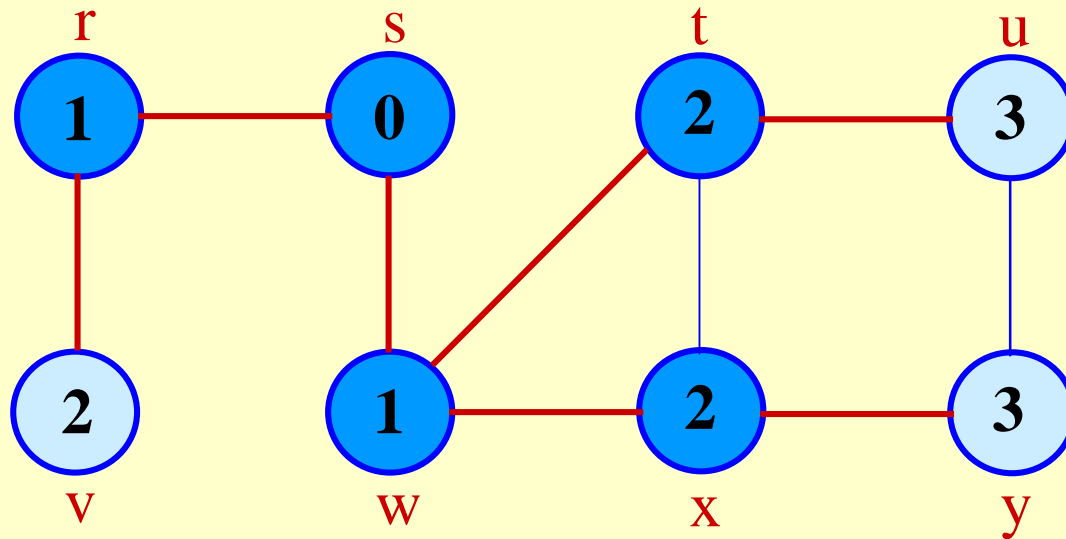
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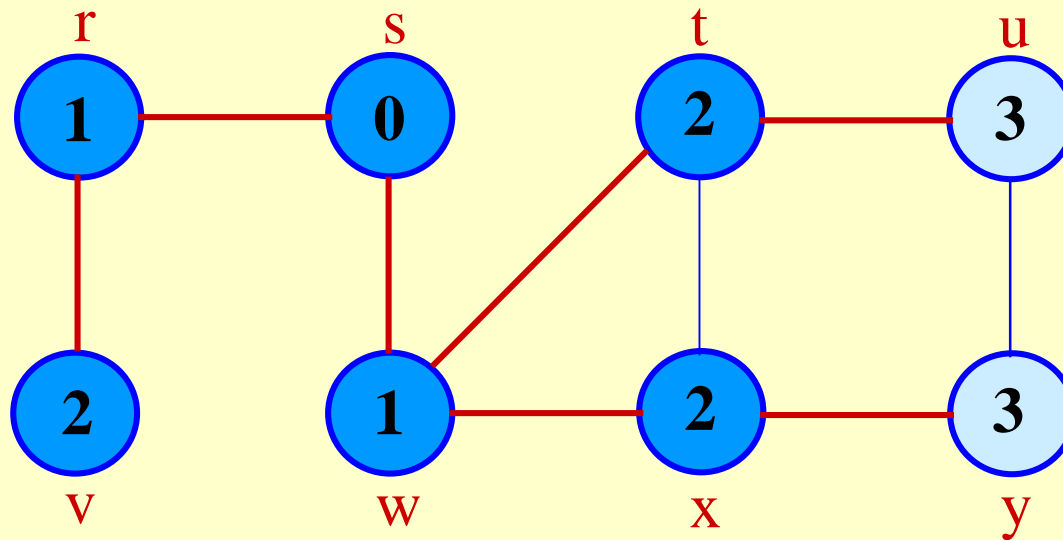
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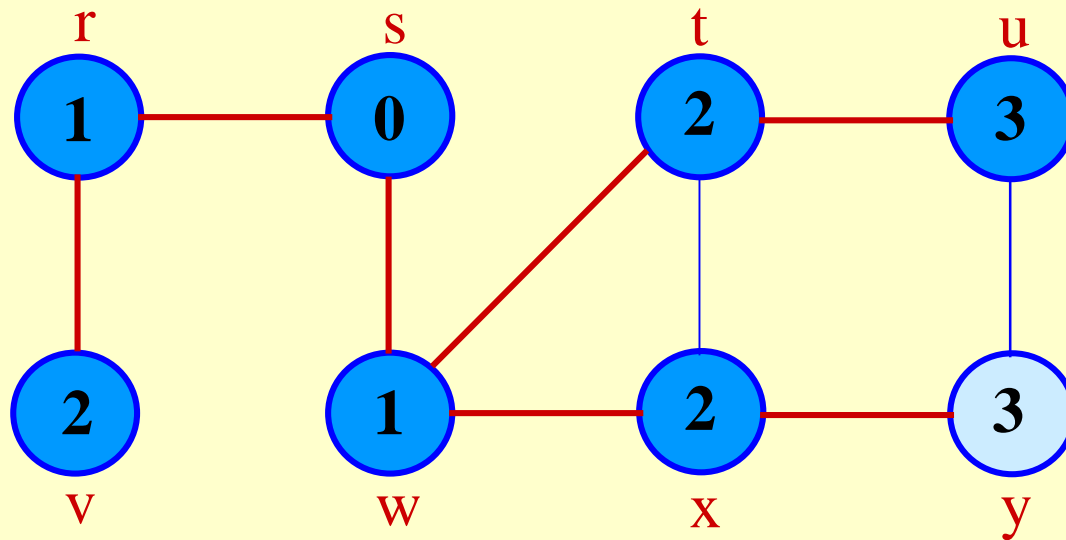
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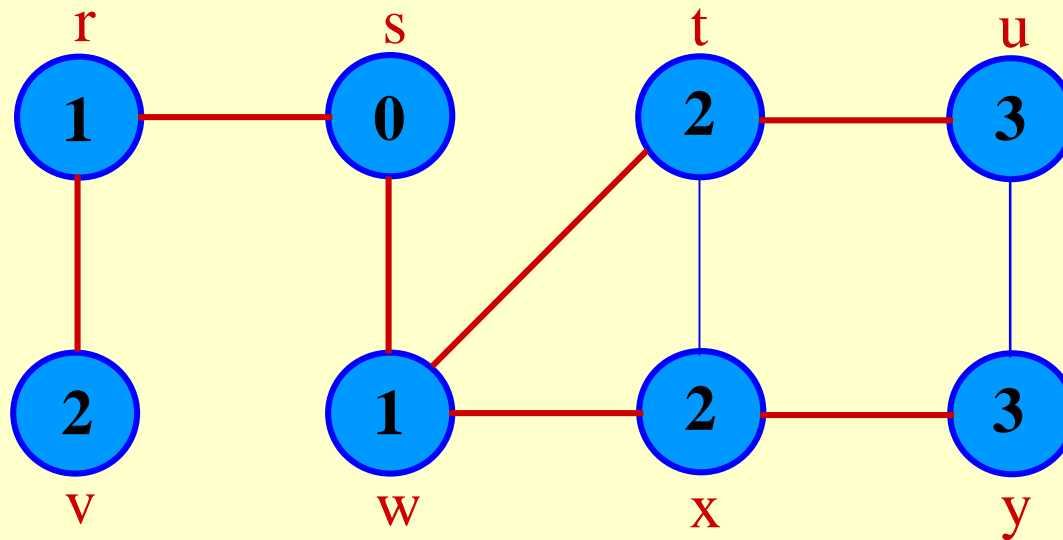
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# Example (BFS)



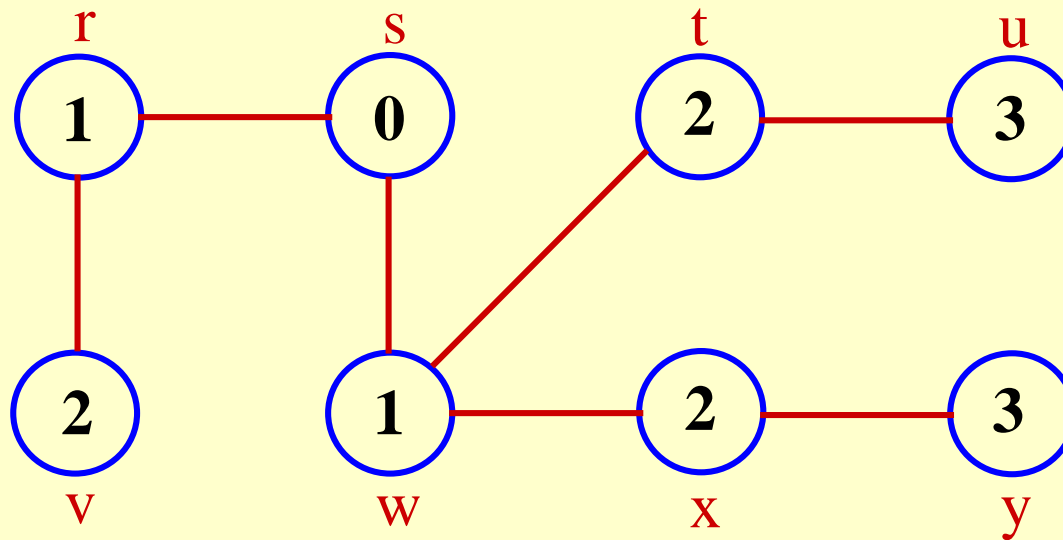
Q: y  
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# Example (BFS)



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  $G_\pi$  is a **breadth-first tree** if:
  - »  $V_\pi$  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  $G_\pi$  that is also a shortest path from  $s$  to  $v$  in  $G$ .
- ◆ The edges in  $E_\pi$  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.
- ♦ Uses the same coloring scheme for vertices as BFS.

# Pseudo-code

## DFS( $G$ )

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

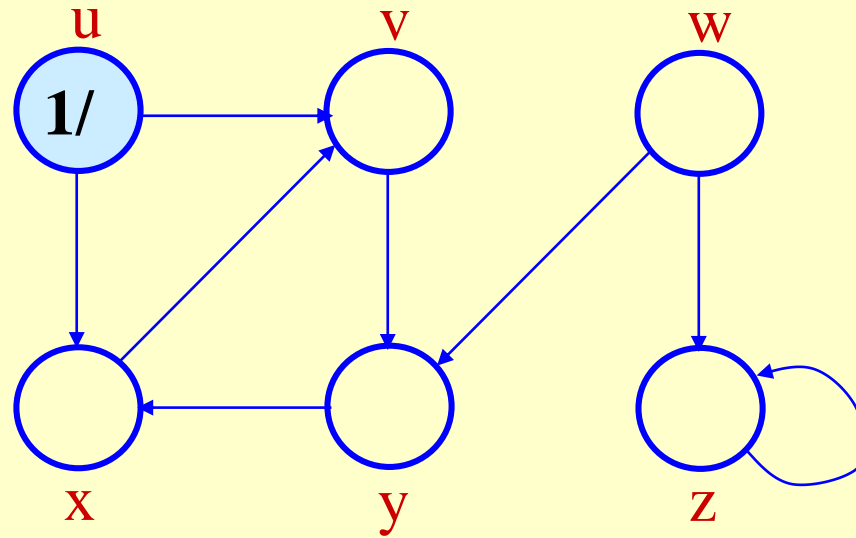
Uses a global timestamp *time*.

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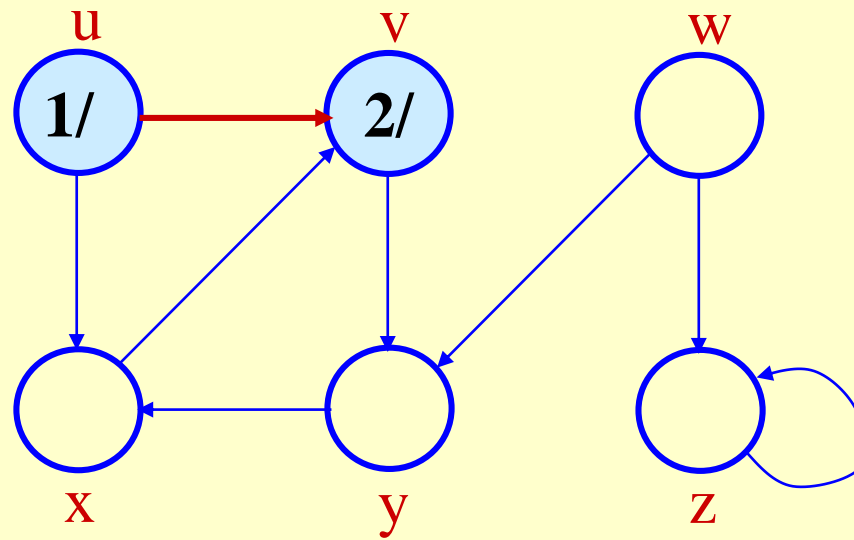
## DFS-Visit( $u$ )

1.  $color[u] \leftarrow \text{GRAY} \quad \nabla$  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**  $color[v] = \text{WHITE}$
6.         **then**  $\pi[v] \leftarrow u$
7.         DFS-Visit( $v$ )
8.  $color[u] \leftarrow \text{BLACK} \quad \nabla$  Blacken  $u$ ; it is finished.
9.  $f[u] \leftarrow time \leftarrow time + 1$

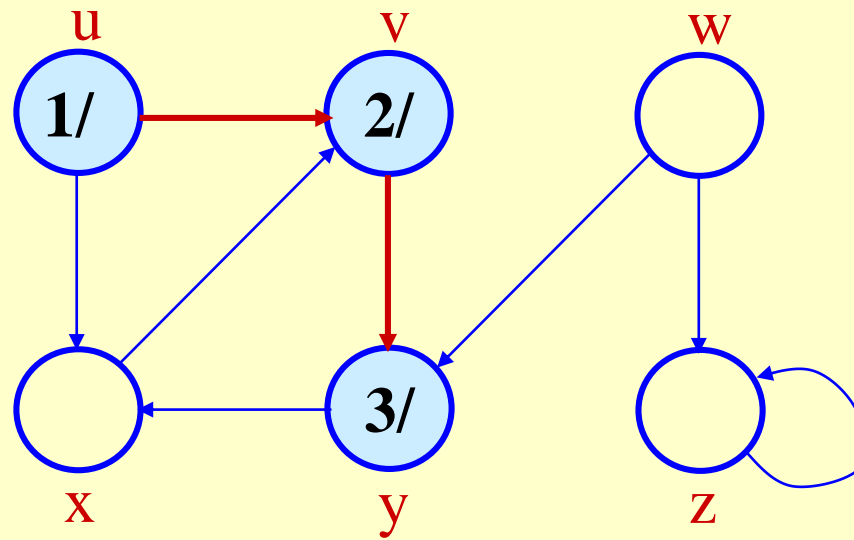
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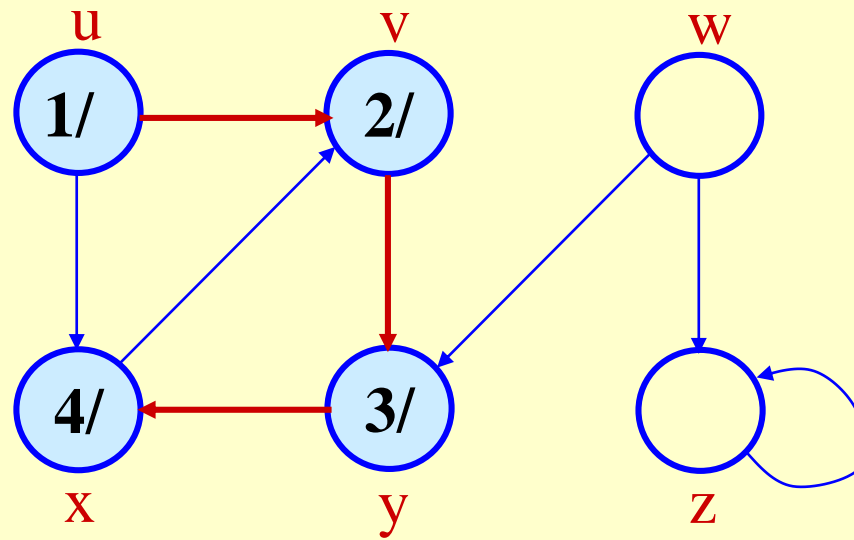
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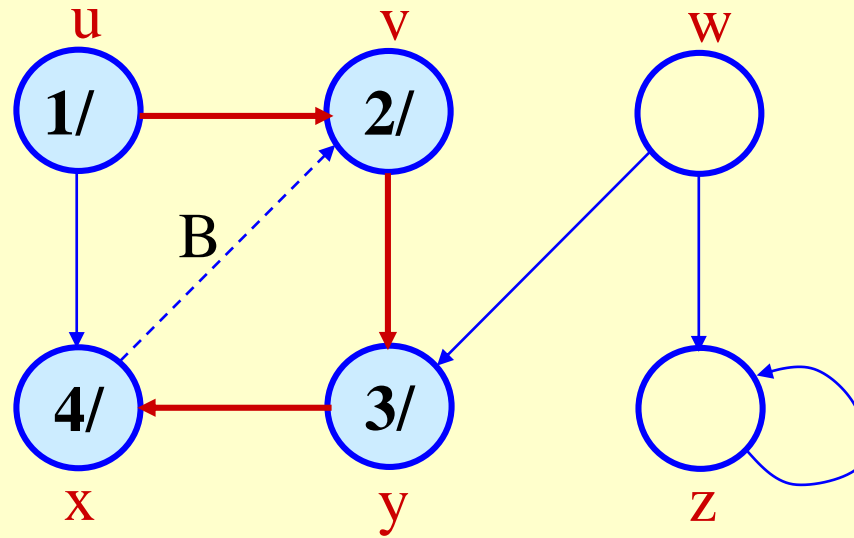


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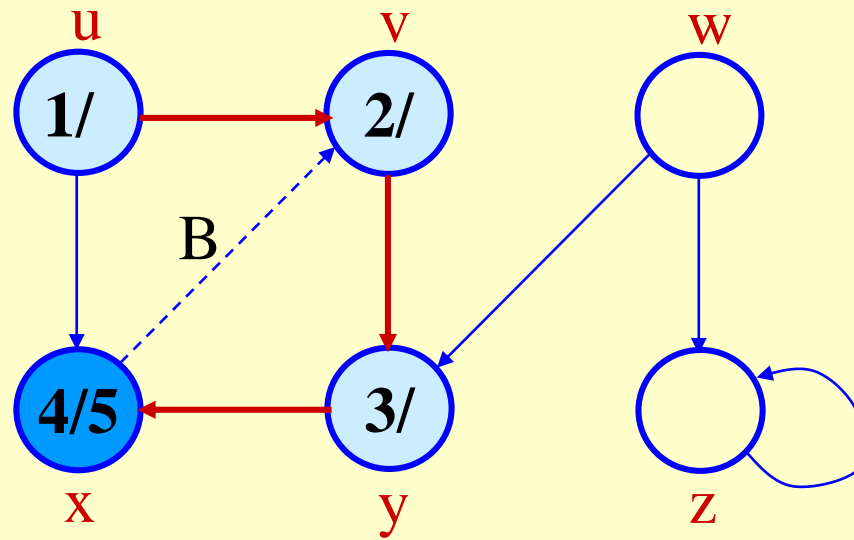




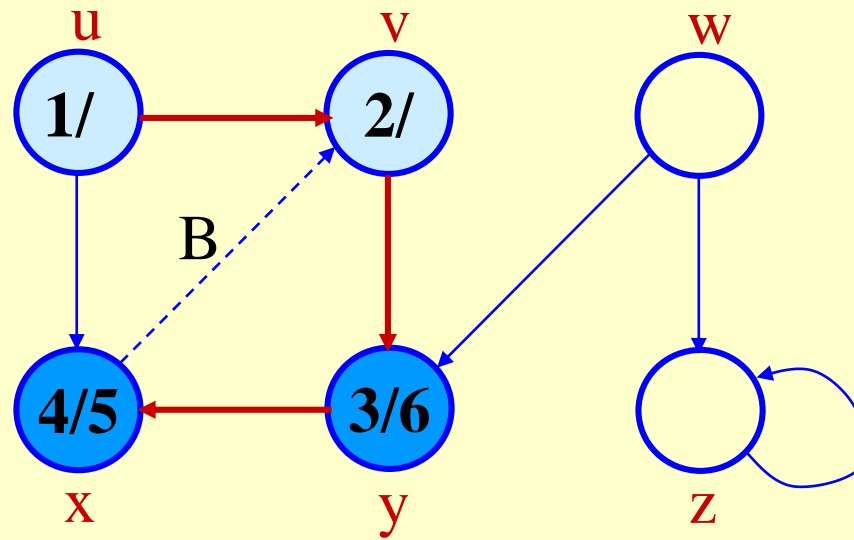
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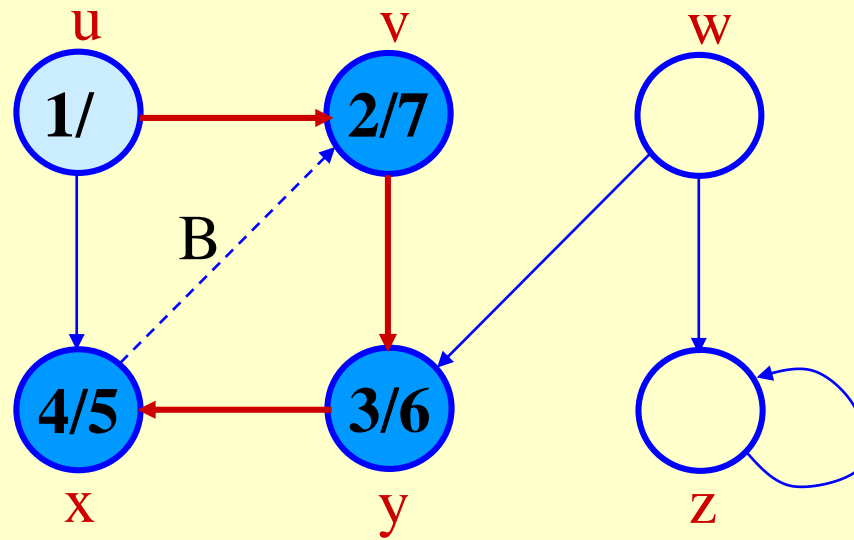
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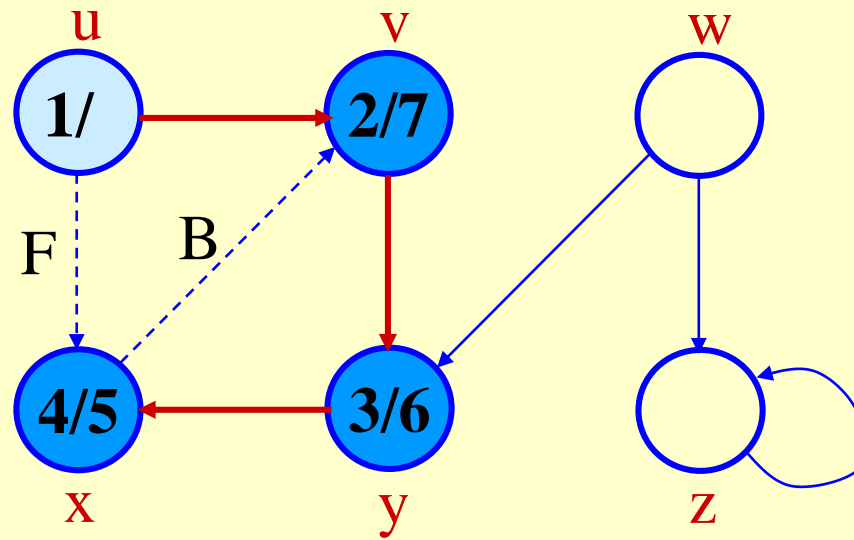
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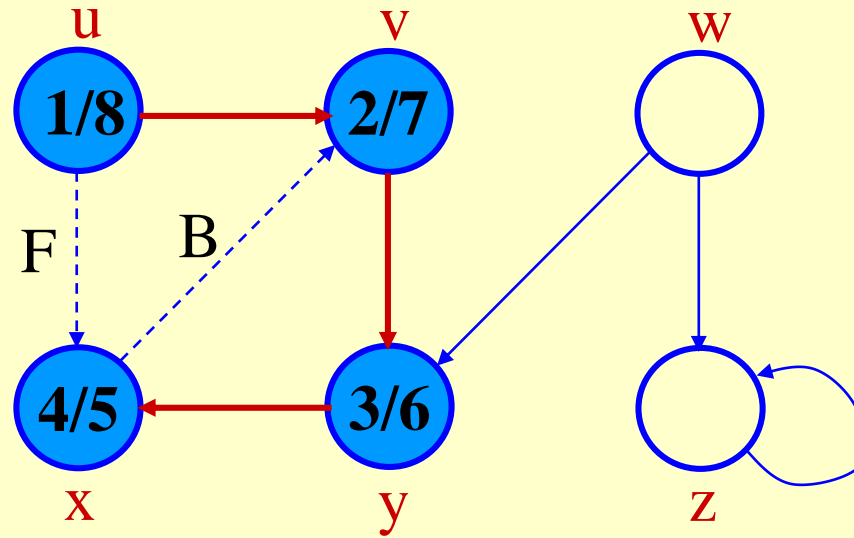
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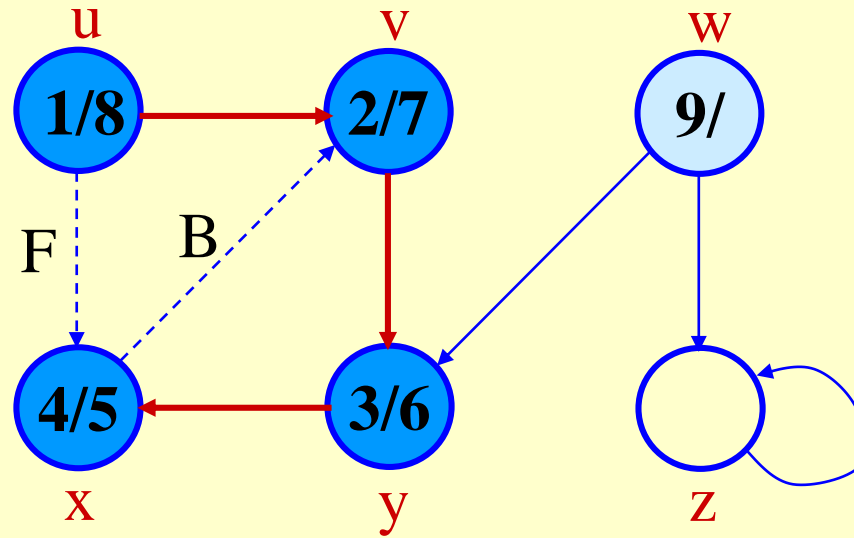
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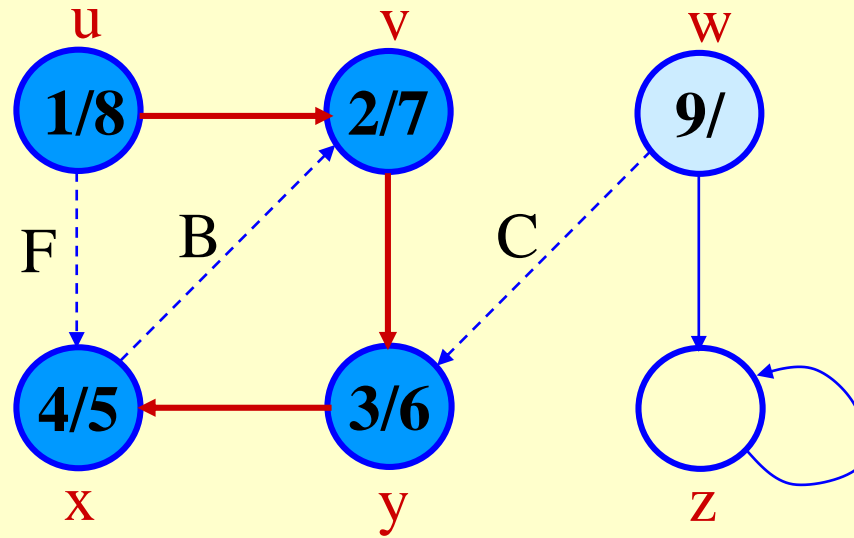
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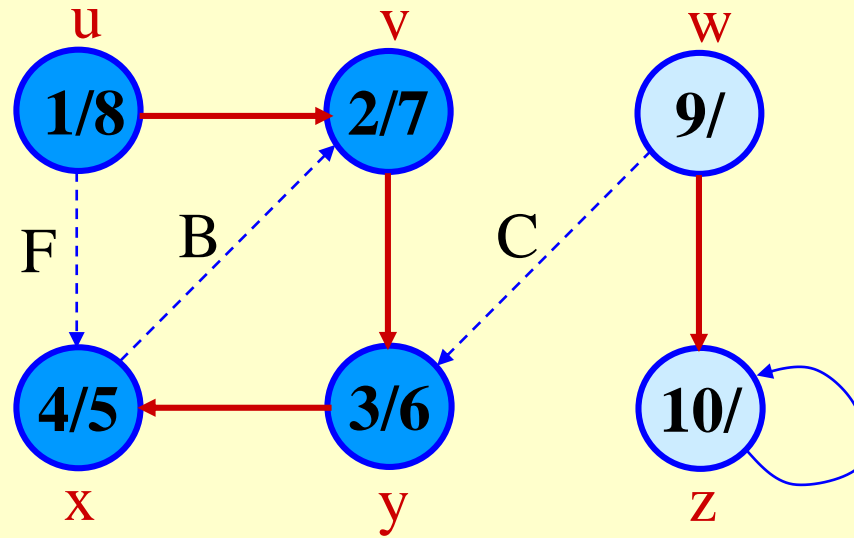


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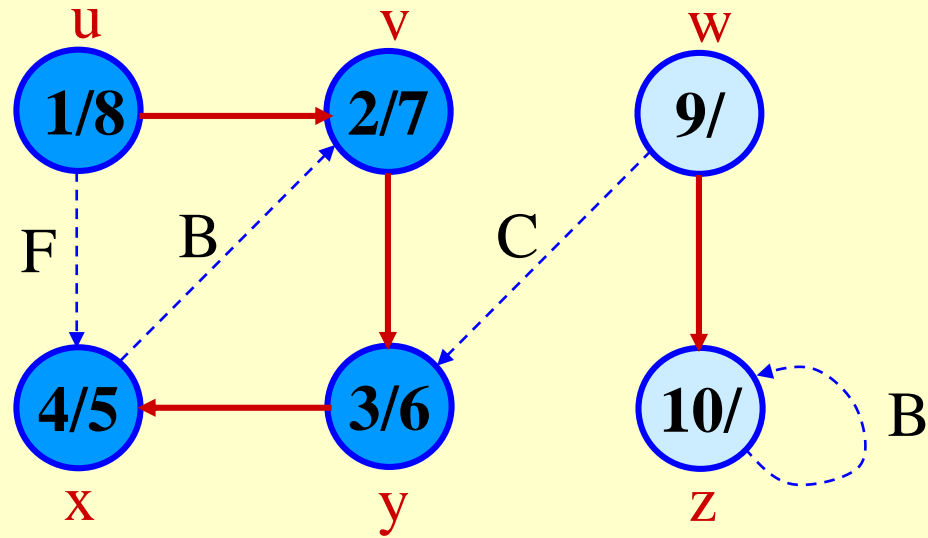




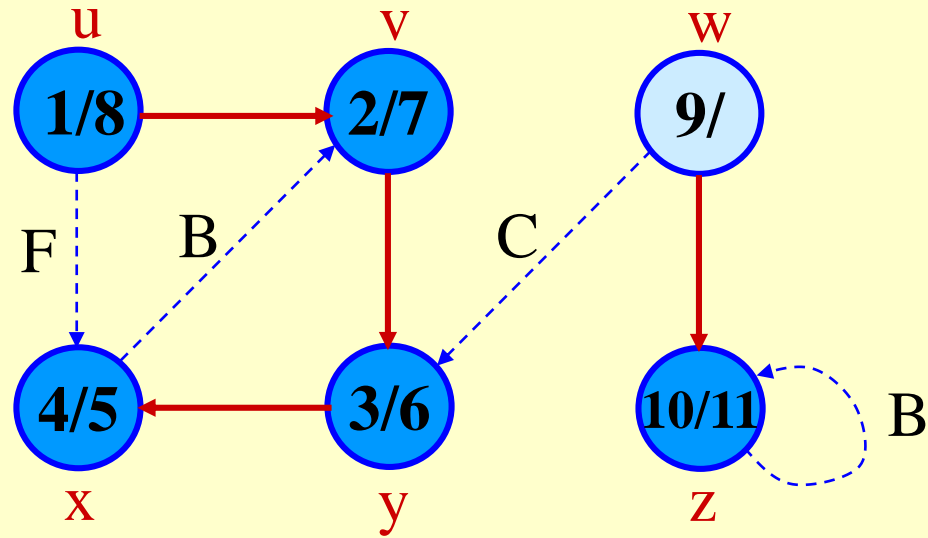
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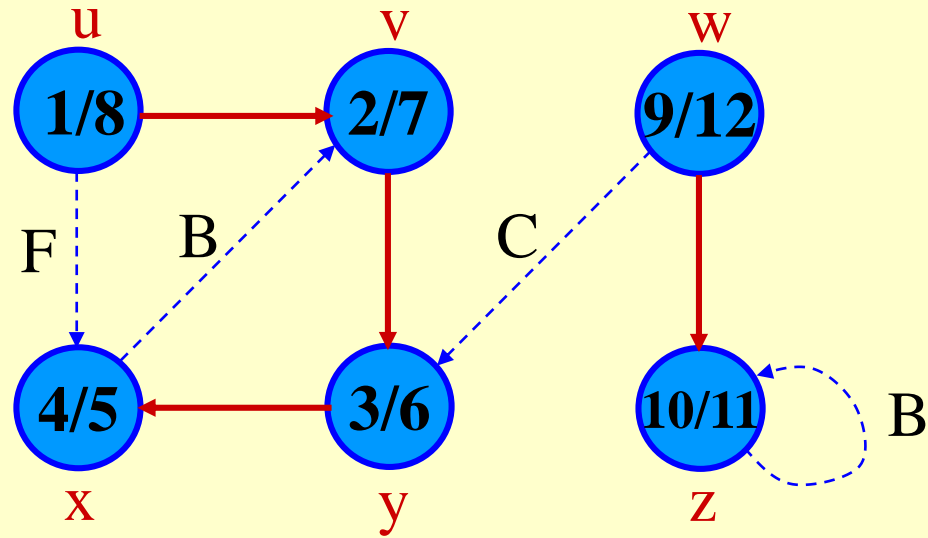
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# Analysis of DFS

- ◆ 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:

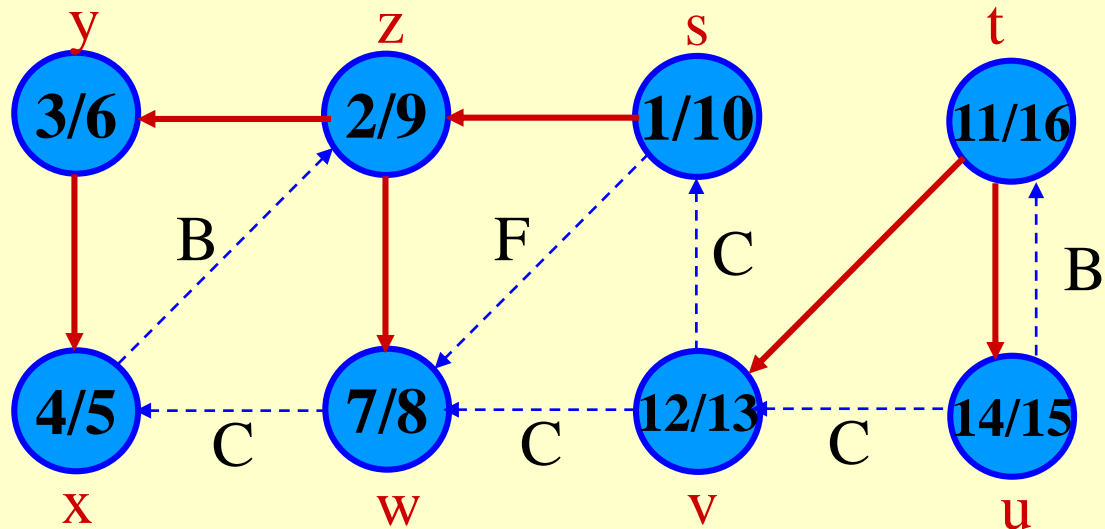
1.  $d[u] < f[u] < d[v] < f[v]$  or  $d[v] < f[v] < d[u] < f[u]$  and neither  $u$  nor  $v$  is a descendant of the other.
2.  $d[u] < d[v] < f[v] < f[u]$  and  $v$  is a descendant of  $u$ .
3.  $d[v] < d[u] < f[u] < f[v]$  and  $u$  is a descendant of  $v$ .

- ♦ So  $d[u] < d[v] < f[u] < f[v]$  *cannot* happen.
- ♦ Like parentheses:
  - ♦ OK:  $() [] ([]) [( )]$
  - ♦ 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  $G_\pi$  forms a *depth-first forest* composed of several *depth-first trees*. The edges in  $E_\pi$  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  $u$  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.