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Here's another coding challenge on directed graphs. You'll implement a cool function which detects loops!

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Problem statement#

The concept of loops or cycles is very common in graph theory. A cycle exists when you traverse the directed graph and come upon a vertex that has already been visited.

You have to implement the detect_cycle function which tells you whether or not a graph contains a cycle.

Input#

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A directed graph.

Output#







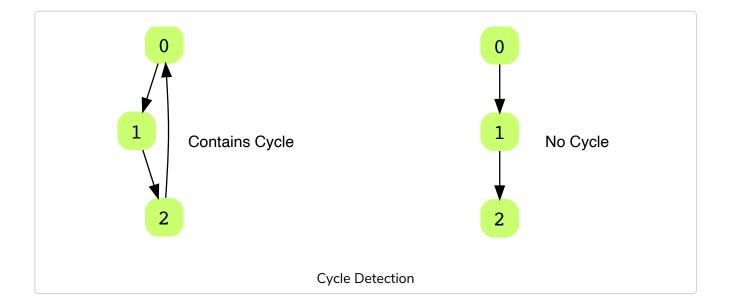
True if a cycle exists. False if it doesn't.

Sample input#

```
graph = {
    0 -> 1
    1 -> 2
    2 -> 0
}
```

Sample output#

True



Coding exercise#

Take a close look and design a step-by-step algorithm first before jumping on to the implementation. You can create as many helper functions as you nee

Try to think iteratively and recursively. If you get stuck, you to the solution which we will discuss in the following lesson.



Good luck!



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