



Competitive Programming

From Problem 2 Solution in $O(1)$

Graph Theory Bridges using Tarjan

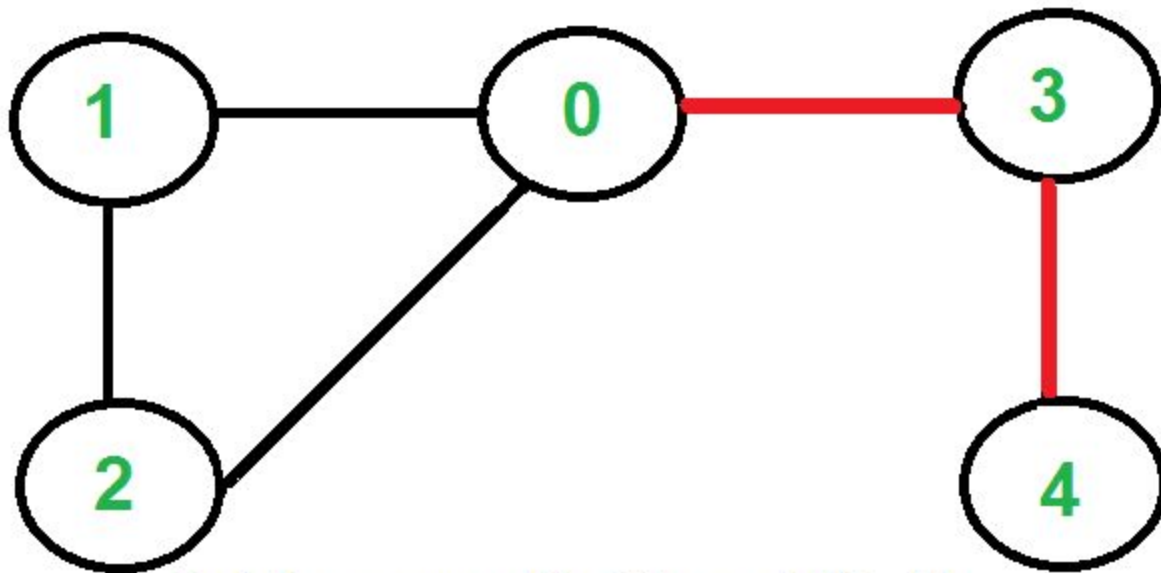
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Graph Bridges

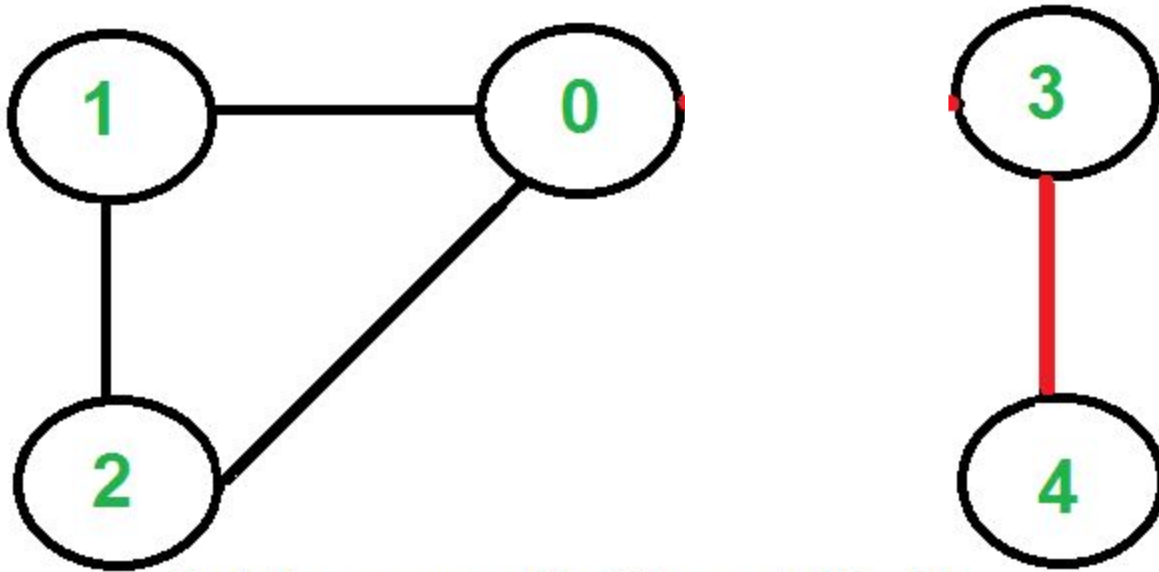
- In **undirected** graph, **removing** a bridge:
 - if graph is fully connected \Rightarrow disconnects it
 - if not \Rightarrow disconnects a connected component
 - E.g. increases overall components
 - we can compute it using brute force: remove and test connectivity.
 - But very slow
 - Let's see how Tarjan can help us

Graph Bridges

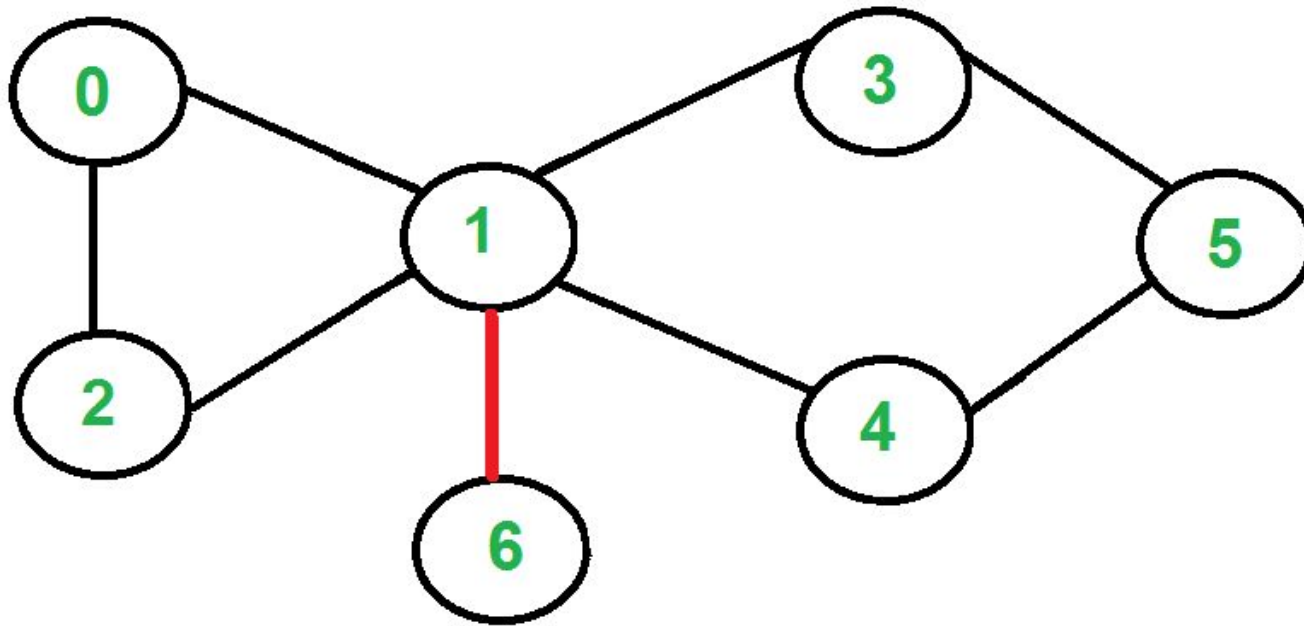


Bridges are (0, 3) and (3, 4)

Graph Bridges: Removing (0-3)

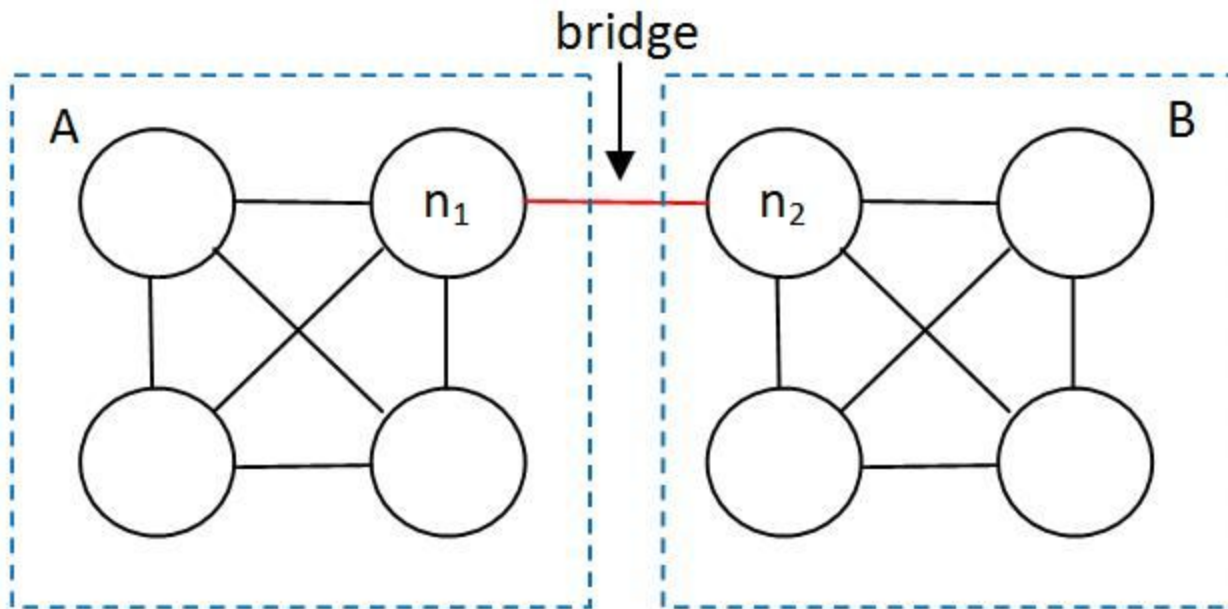


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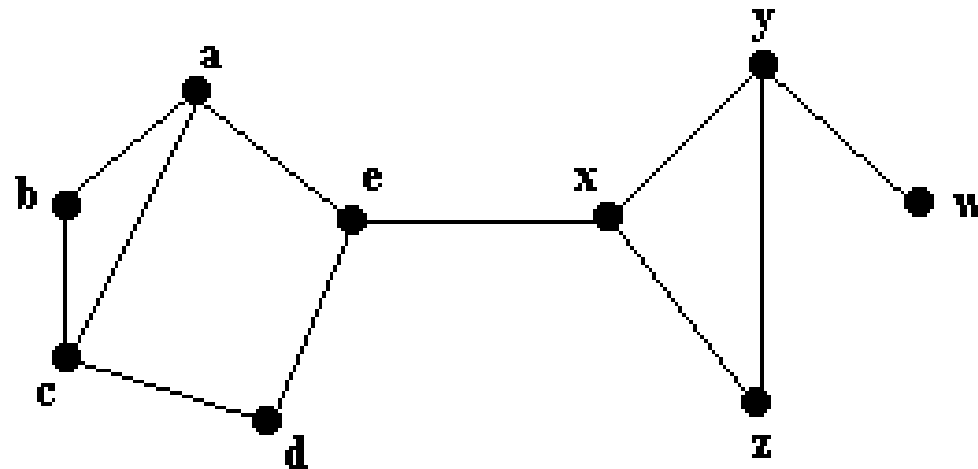


Bridge is (1, 6)

Graph Bridges



Graph Bridges



Bridges: ex, yw

Every bridge is **NOT** part of a **cycle**

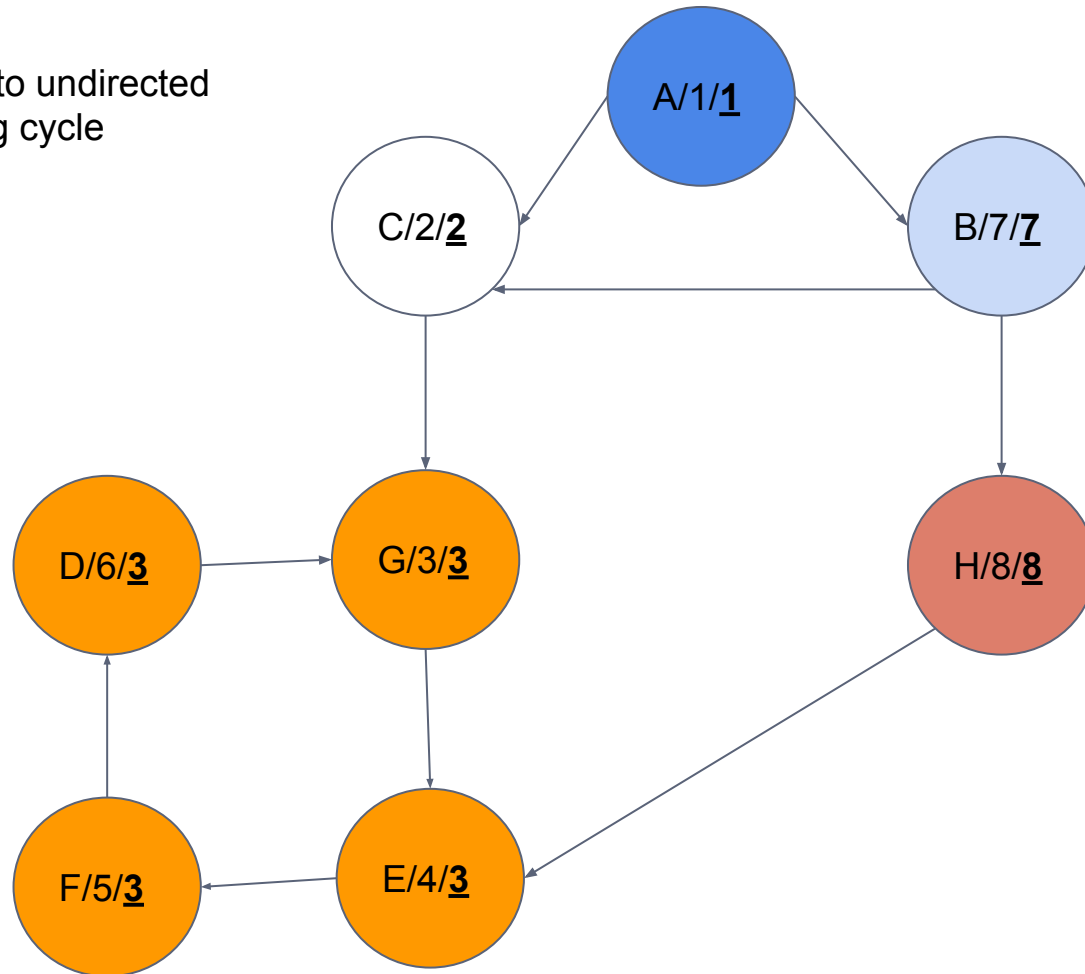
Node x and its children have no way to go to the component (a, b, c, d, e) except **through bridge e-x**

Detecting Graph Bridges

- Recall SCC
 - **Directed** graph
 - Tarjan detects maximal nodes with **edges on cycle** = SCC
 - It detects some edges NOT on a cycle (component graph)
- Simply if edge is going to root of an SCC?
 - then nothing in this SCC can go upper more
 - removing this edge = disconnects this SCC
- But we are undirected graph?!
 - Let's modify tarjan

Recall DFS# and LowestLink

If we converted all edges to undirected
all graph becomes one big cycle

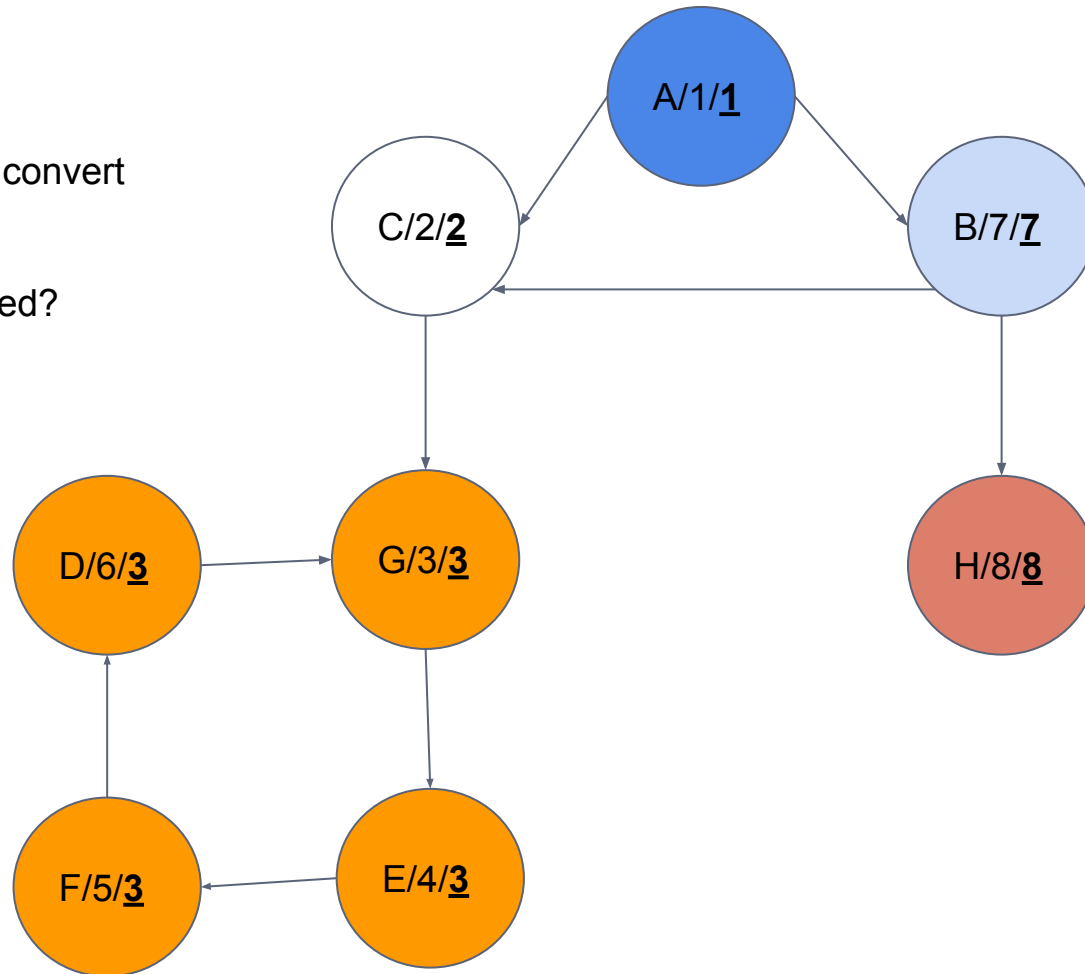


Recall DFS# and LowestLink

Let's modify the graph

This is a bit different..let's convert to undirected

how lowlink can be changed?

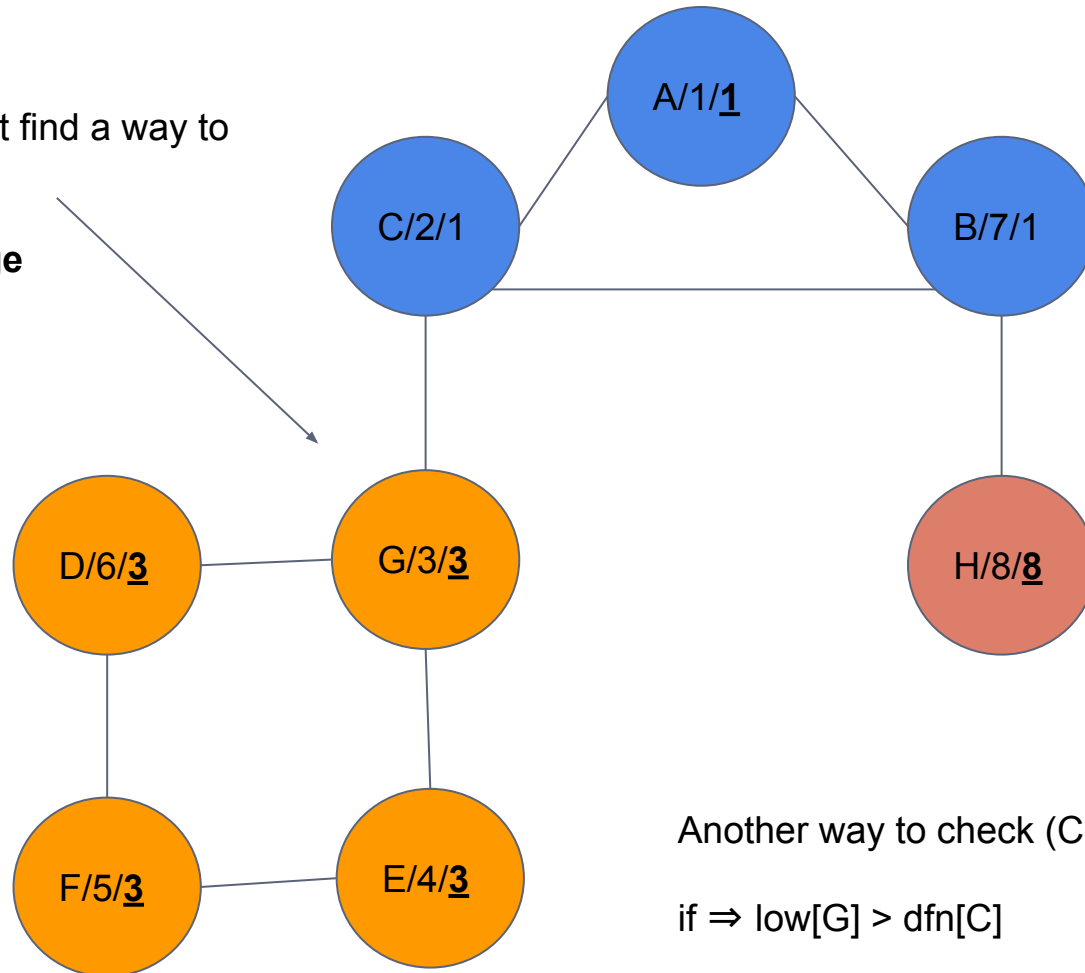


Recall DFS# and LowestLink

G dfn # = low link #

⇒ G and its children can't find a way to go back to C?!

Edge from C to G is **bridge**



Another way to check (C, G) is bridge:

if ⇒ $\text{low}[G] > \text{dfn}[C]$

that is G lowest ancestor is under C

Tarjan: Directed vs undirected

- (u, v) is same as (v, u)
 - whenever dfs goes from u to v
 - never let it back from v to u
 - classical handling: $\text{dfs}(u, \text{parent})$ to know ur last edge
- edge to a visited node?
 - recall: in directed graph it has 2 cases
 - whenever node has a visited child, it must be your ancestor
 - why? because if node v out of dfs stack, then v couldn't reach u ...and u can't reach v
 - hence there is 1 case only..and no need to keep who in stack

Tarjan for bridges

```
void tarjan(int node, int par) {
    lowLink[node] = dfn[node] = ndfn++;

    rep(i, adjList[node]) {
        int ch = adjList[node][i];
        if (dfn[ch] == -1) {
            tarjan(ch, node);
            lowLink[node] = min(lowLink[node], lowLink[ch]);
        } else if (ch != par) // don't go to dad
            lowLink[node] = min(lowLink[node], dfn[ch]);
    }

    // recall: first dfs node has low # = dfs #
    if (lowLink[node] == dfn[node] && par != -1)
        cout<<"bridge "<<par<<" "<<node<<"\n";
}
```

Tarjan for bridges (other way)

```
void tarjan(int node, int par) {
    lowLink[node] = dfn[node] = ndfn++;

    rep(i, adjList[node]) {
        int ch = adjList[node][i];
        if (dfn[ch] == -1) {
            tarjan(ch, node);
            lowLink[node] = min(lowLink[node], lowLink[ch]);

            if (lowLink[ch] == dfn[ch])
                //if (lowLink[ch] > dfn[node]) similar too
                cout<<"bridge "<<node<<" "<<ch<<"\n";
        } else if (ch != par) // don't go to dad
            lowLink[node] = min(lowLink[node], dfn[ch]);
    }
}
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