## **Algorithm for Exercise 1**

## 1. Input:

- o A directed graph graph.
- o Two vertices: source and target.

#### 2. Initialize:

- Let V be the number of vertices in graph.
- Create a visited array of size V, initialized to false.
- Create an empty queue (FIFO) to manage BFS traversal.
- Mark source as visited and enqueue it.

### 3. BFS Traversal:

- o While the queue is not empty:
  - 1. Dequeue the front vertex v from the queue.
  - 2. If v equals target, return true (a path exists).
  - 3. For each neighbor w of v:
    - If w is not visited:
      - Mark w as visited.
      - Enqueue w into the queue.

#### 4. Termination:

 If the queue is empty and the target has not been reached, return false (no path exists).

# **Example Walkthrough**

## Graph:

### Input:

• source = 0, target = 3.

## Execution:

1. Initialize:

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visited = [false, false, false, false].
queue = [].
Mark 0 as visited, enqueue it: queue = [0].
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- 2. BFS Traversal:
  - Dequeue 0: Mark neighbors 1 and 2 as visited, enqueue them: queue = [1, 2].
  - Dequeue 1: Mark neighbor 3 as visited, enqueue it: queue = [2, 3].
  - o Dequeue 2: No unvisited neighbors.
  - o Dequeue 3: Target found. Return true.

## Algorithm for hasCycle Function

## 1. Input:

A directed graph graph.

#### 2. Initialize:

- Let V be the number of vertices in the graph.
- Create a visited array of size V, initialized to false, to track whether a vertex has been visited.
- Create an onStack array of size V, initialized to false, to track whether a vertex is part of the current DFS path.

### Outer Loop:

- For each vertex v in the graph:
  - If v is not visited:
    - Perform DFS starting from v.

#### 4. DFS Traversal:

- Use the reverse postorder (DepthFirstOrder) to traverse the vertices in a specific order.
- For each vertex in reverse postorder:
  - Mark the vertex as visited (visited[vertex] = true).
  - Mark the vertex as part of the current DFS stack (onStack[vertex] = true).

## 5. Cycle Detection:

- For each neighbor adj of the current vertex:
  - If adj is not visited:
    - Mark adj as visited and continue the DFS.
  - If adj is already in the current DFS stack (onStack[adj] = true):
    - A cycle is detected. Return true.

#### 6. Backtracking:

 After all neighbors of a vertex are explored, mark it as no longer part of the current DFS stack (onStack[vertex] = false).

#### 7. **Termination**:

If no cycles are detected after exploring all vertices, return false.

## **Example Walkthrough**

## Graph:

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Vertices: 0 -> 1 -> 2 -> 3 -> 4 -> 1 (cycle: 4 -> 1).
```

### **Execution:**

- 1. Initialize:
  - visited = [false, false, false, false, false].onStack = [false, false, false, false, false].
- 2. Process Vertex 0:
  - Mark 0 as visited and on the stack.
  - o Process neighbor 1.
- 3. Process Vertex 1:
  - o Mark 1 as visited and on the stack.
  - o Process neighbor 2.
- 4. Process Vertex 2:
  - Mark 2 as visited and on the stack.
  - o Process neighbor 3.
- 5. Process Vertex 3:
  - Mark 3 as visited and on the stack.
  - o Process neighbor 4.
- 6. Process Vertex 4:
  - o Mark 4 as visited and on the stack.
  - o Process neighbor 1.
  - Neighbor 1 is already on the stack. A cycle is detected. Return true.