

# Graph Traversal Algorithms II

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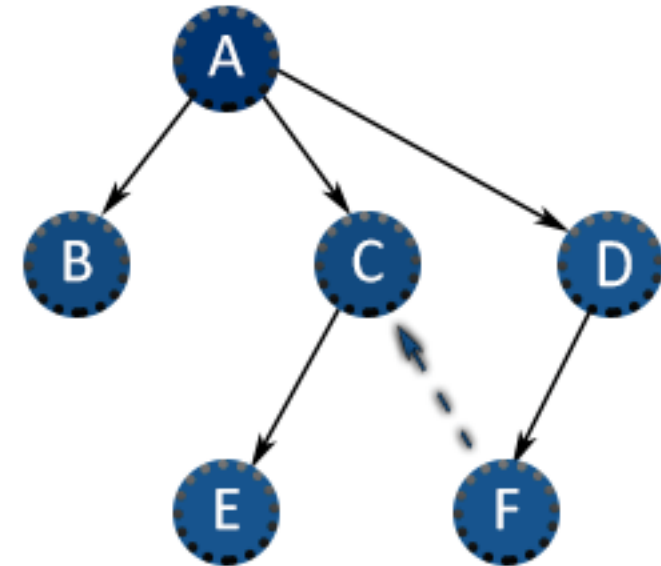
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# OUTLINE

- Graph Traversal Algorithms
  - Depth-first Search (DFS)
  - Breadth-first Search (BFS)
  - Priority-first Search (PFS)
- Implementation
  - Stack – DFS
  - Queue – BFS
  - Priority Queues – PFS

## DFS



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# Graph Traversals

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## Algorithm 1 Visit.

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1: **function** VISIT(node  $s$  of digraph  $G$ )

2:      $color[s] \leftarrow \text{Grey}$

3:      $pred[s] \leftarrow \text{Null}$

4:     **while** there is a Grey node **do**

5:         choose a Grey node  $u$

6:         **if**  $u$  has a WHITE (out-)neighbour **then**

7:             choose such a (out-)neighbour  $v$

8:              $color[v] \leftarrow \text{Grey}$

9:              $pred[v] \leftarrow u$

10:         **else**

11:              $color[u] \leftarrow \text{Black}$

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how to choose?

# Implementation of the List of Frontiers

- The implementation of the list that stores the frontiers (grey nodes) will directly affect the order we traverse the graph nodes. Three types of implementations will be discussed and result in three different traversal strategies:
- Stack – Depth-first search (DFS)
- Queue – Breadth-first search (BFS)
- Priority Queues – Priority first search (PFS)

# The Abstract Data Type: Stack

- Special list in which all operations occur at the same end (top) (last in first out).
- Add an element to the list (INSERT or PUSH).
- Delete an element (DELETE or POP).
- Return top element without deleting it (GETTOP or PEEK)

# Depth-first Search Algorithm (DFS)

- DFS is a specific implementation of our fundamental graph traversal algorithm (also known as depth-first traversal)
- It specifies that we select the next grey vertex to pick as the **youngest remaining** grey vertex.

# Depth-first-search (DFS) Algorithm

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**Algorithm 1** Depth-first search algorithm

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1: function DFS(digraph  $G$ )
2:     stack  $S$ 
3:     array  $colour[0..n-1], pred[0..n-1], seen[0..n-1], done[0..n-1]$ 
4:     for  $u \in V(G)$  do
5:          $colour[u] \leftarrow \text{WHITE}$ 
6:          $pred[u] \leftarrow \text{null}$ 
7:      $time \leftarrow 0$ 
8:     for  $s \in V(G)$  do
9:         if  $colour[s] = \text{WHITE}$  then
10:            DFSVISIT( $s$ )
11:     return  $pred, seen, done$ 
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# Iterative View of DFSVISIT

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**Algorithm 2** Depth-first visit algorithm.

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1: function DFSVISIT(node  $s$ )
2:    $color[s] \leftarrow \text{GREY}$ 
3:    $seen[s] \leftarrow time; time \leftarrow time + 1$ 
4:    $S.insert(s)$ 
5:   while not  $S.isEmpty()$  do
6:      $u \leftarrow S.peek()$ 
7:     if there is a neighbour  $v$  with  $colour[v] = \text{WHITE}$  then
8:        $colour[v] \leftarrow \text{GREY}; pred[v] \leftarrow u$ 
9:        $seen[v] \leftarrow time; time \leftarrow time + 1$ 
10:       $S.insert(v)$ 
11:    else
12:       $S.delete()$ 
13:       $colour[u] \leftarrow \text{BLACK}$ 
14:       $done[u] \leftarrow time; time \leftarrow time + 1$ 
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# Recursive View of DFSVISIT

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**Algorithm 3** Recursive DFS visit algorithm.

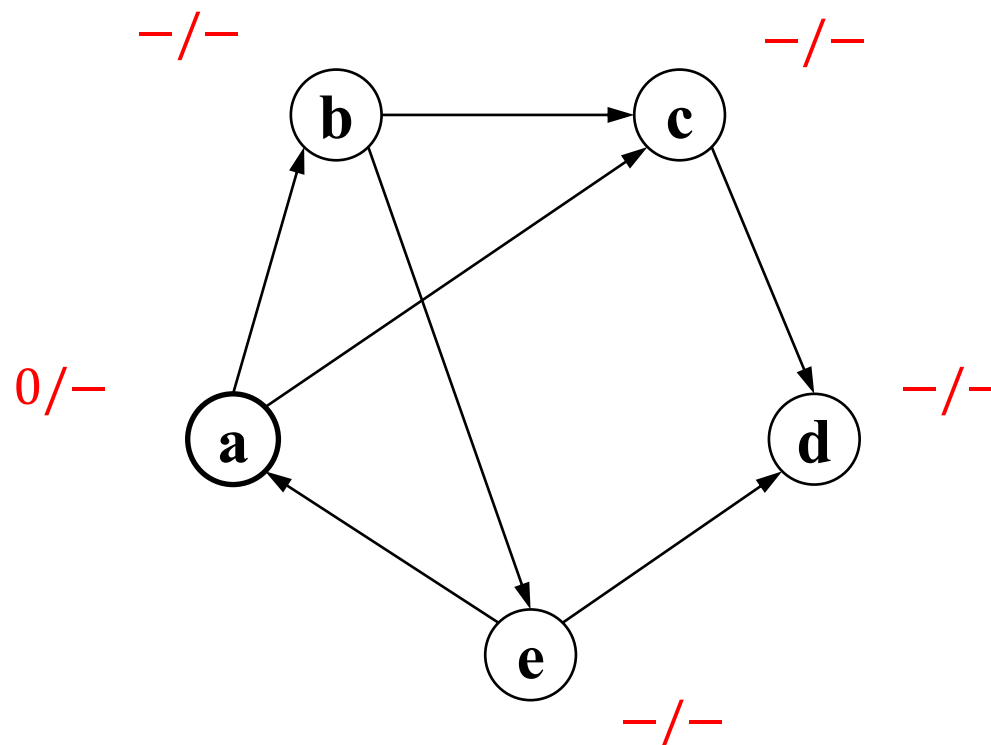
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1: function REC_DFSVISIT(node  $s$ )
2:    $color[s] \leftarrow \text{GREY}$ 
3:    $seen[s] \leftarrow time; time \leftarrow time + 1$ 
4:   for each  $v$  adjacent to  $s$  do
5:     if  $colour[v] = \text{WHITE}$  then
6:        $pred[v] \leftarrow s$ 
7:       REC_DFSVISIT( $v$ )
8:    $colour[s] \leftarrow \text{BLACK}$ 
9:    $done[s] \leftarrow time; time \leftarrow time + 1$ 
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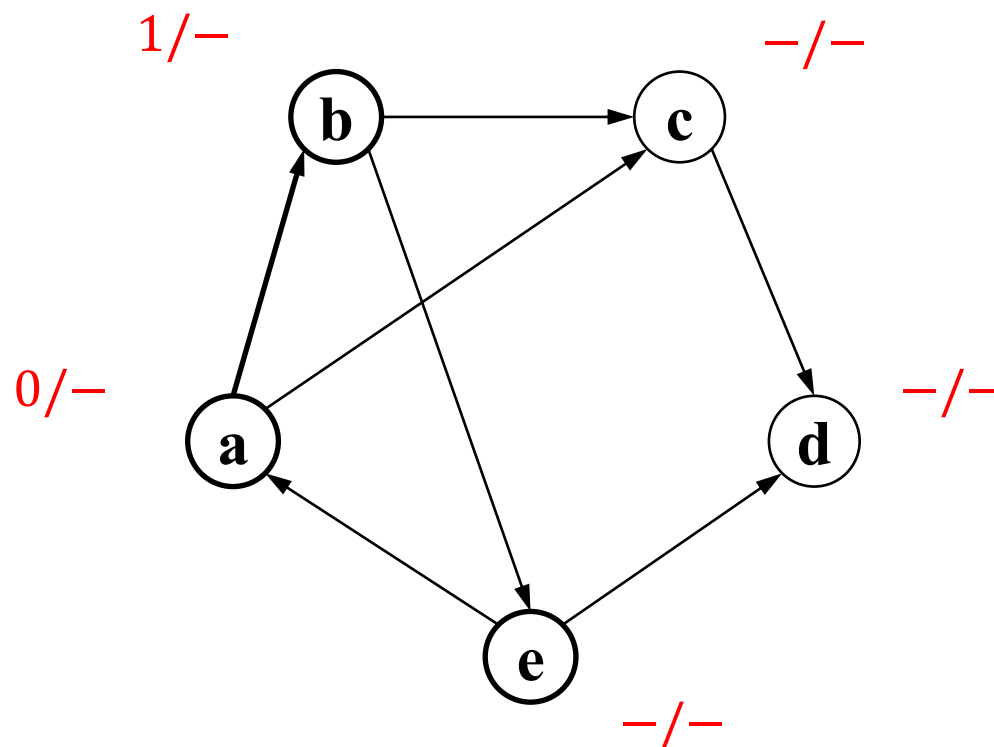
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seen/done



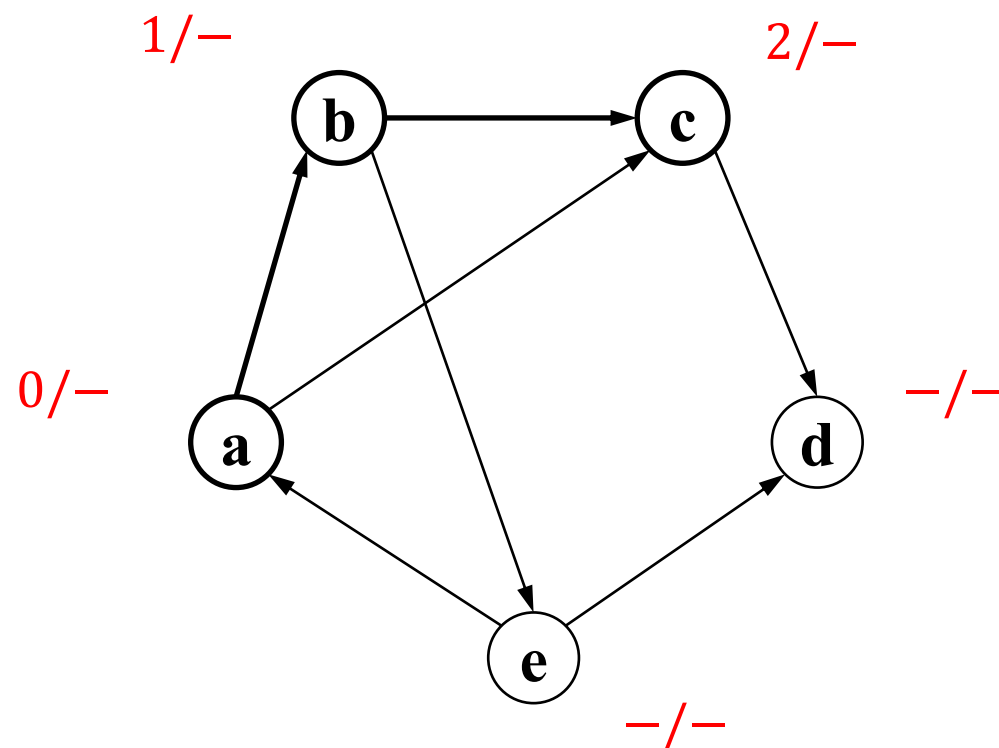
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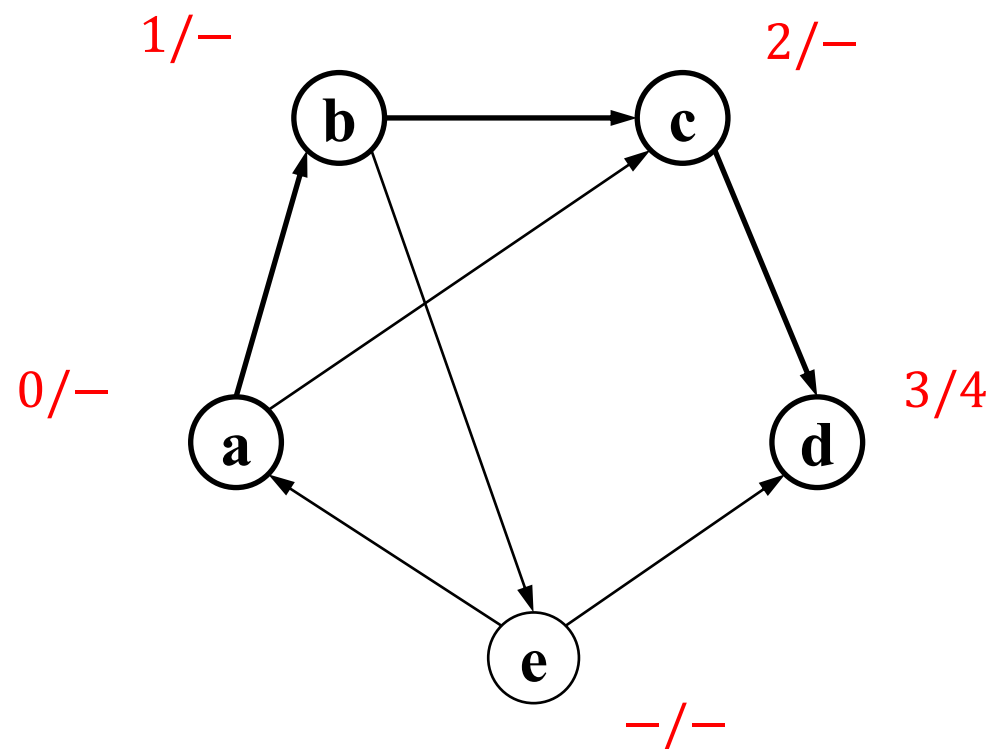
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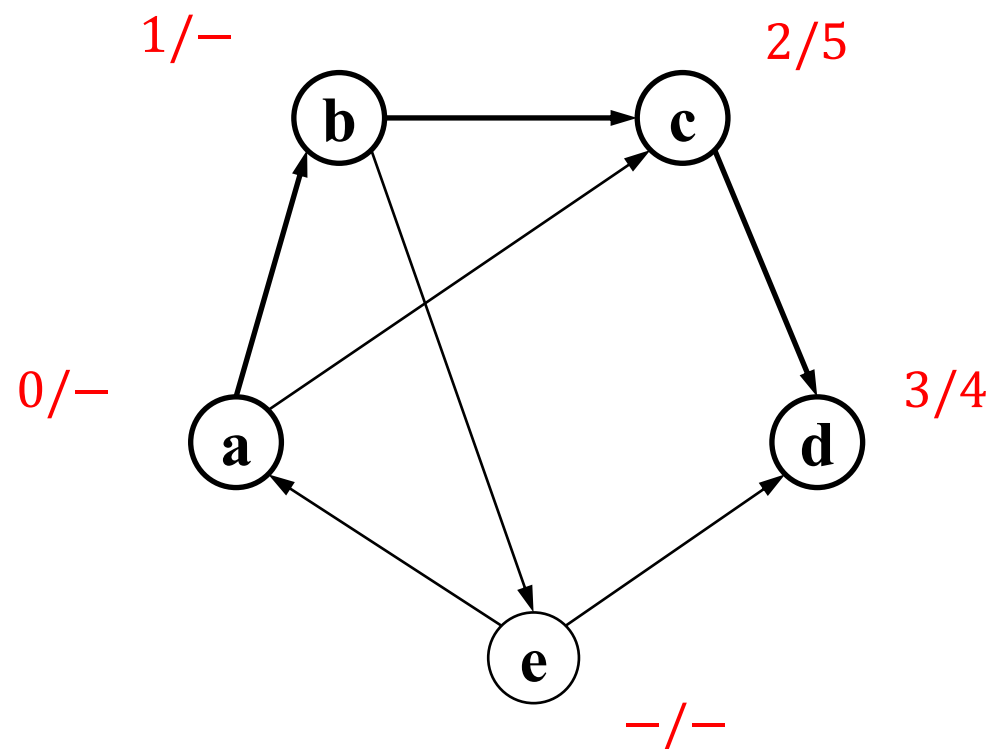
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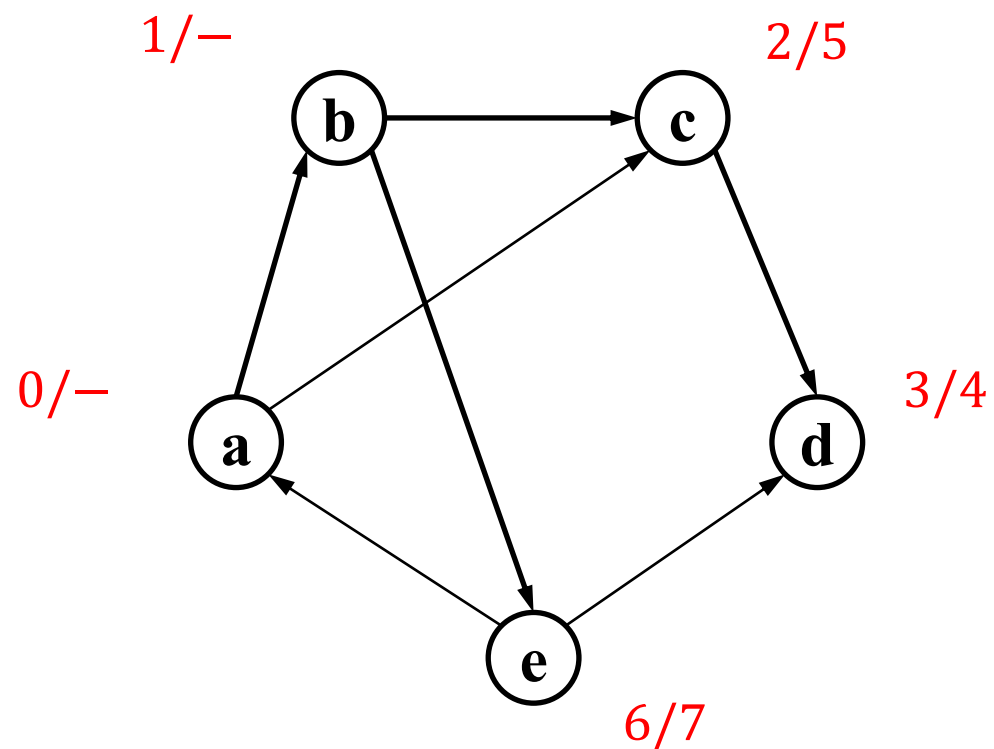
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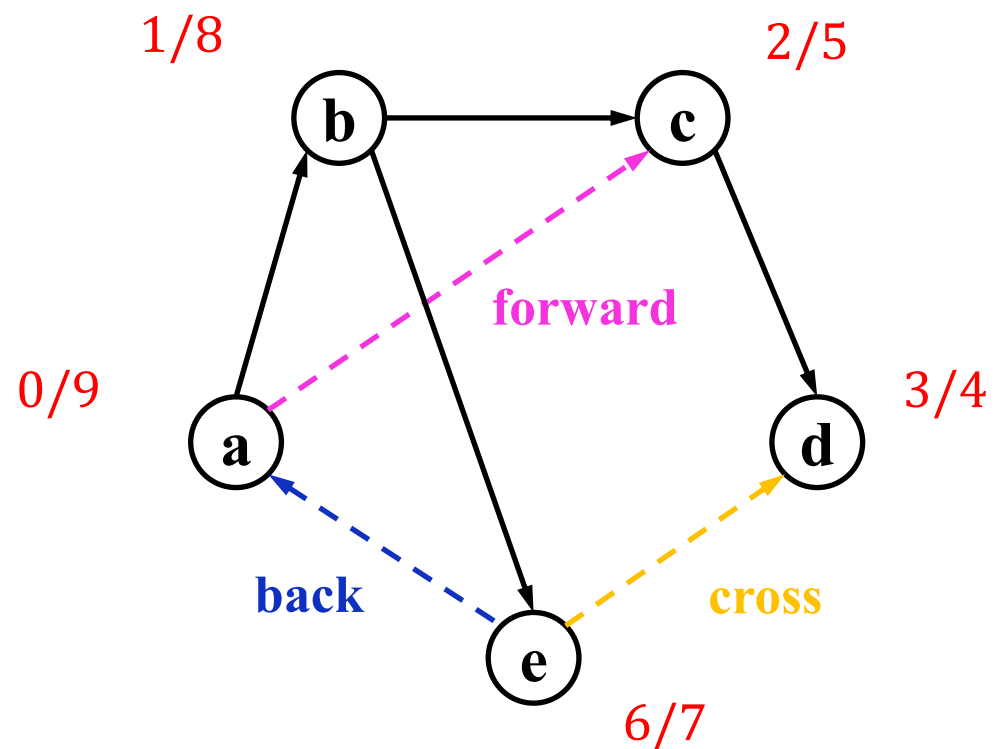
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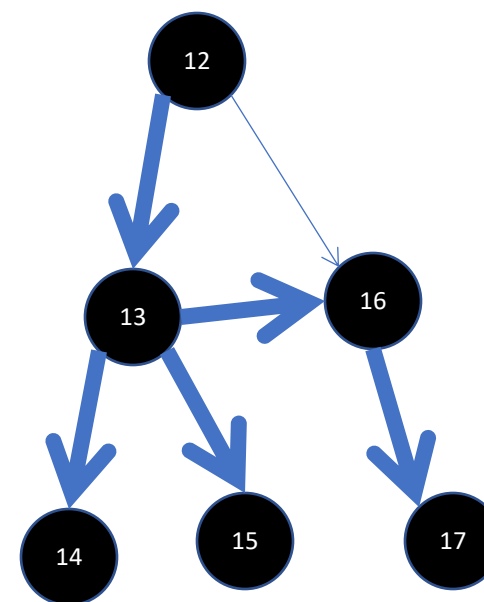
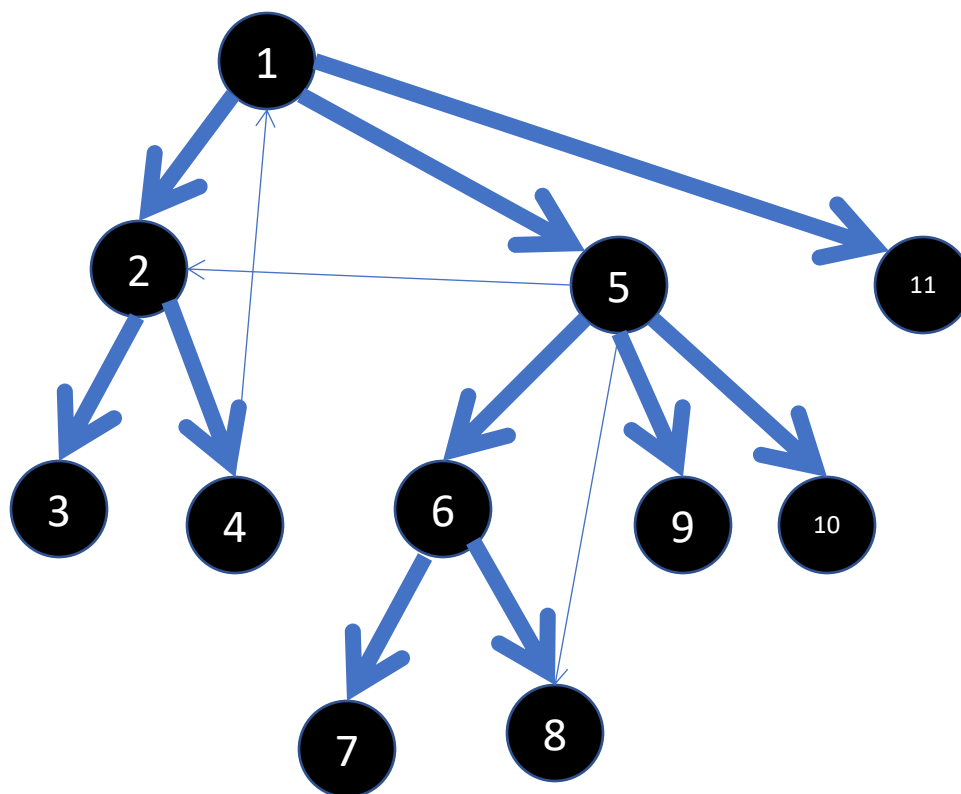




# RECAP: Four Types of Arcs

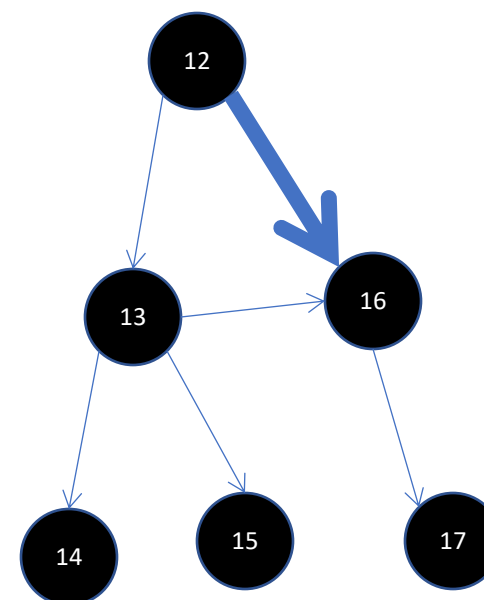
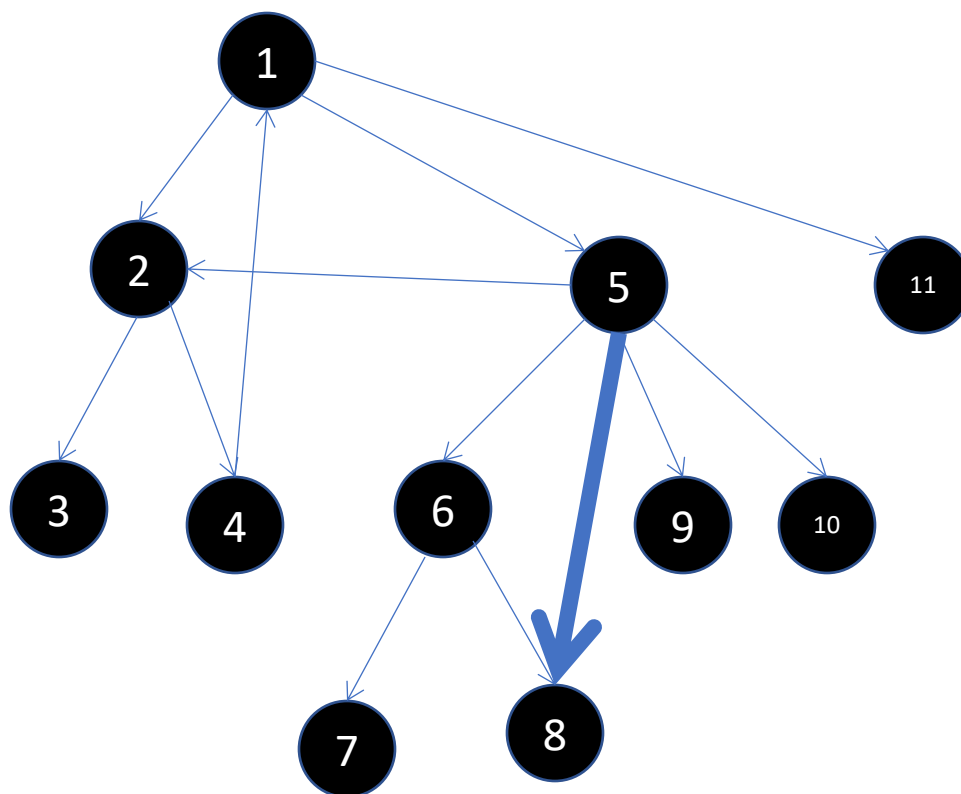
- In a search forest  $F$  of a graph  $G$ , we can find four different kinds of arcs:
- **Tree arc**: an arc in  $G$  that connects a vertex in  $G$  to one of its immediate descendants in the tree of  $F$  that the vertex belongs to, i.e., if the arc belongs to the tree
- **Forward arc**: an arc that does not belong to a tree in  $F$  but that connects a vertex to one of its descendants in the tree
- **Back arcs**: an arc that does not belong to a tree in  $F$  but that connects a vertex to one of its ancestors in the tree
- **Cross arcs**: arcs that fall into neither of the above categories

# DFS Traversal: Tree Arcs



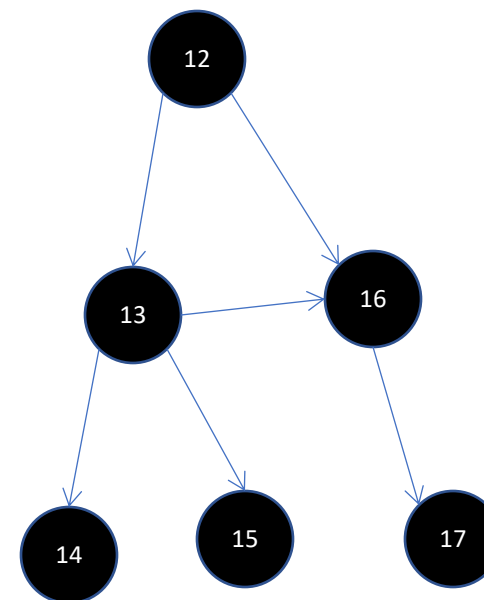
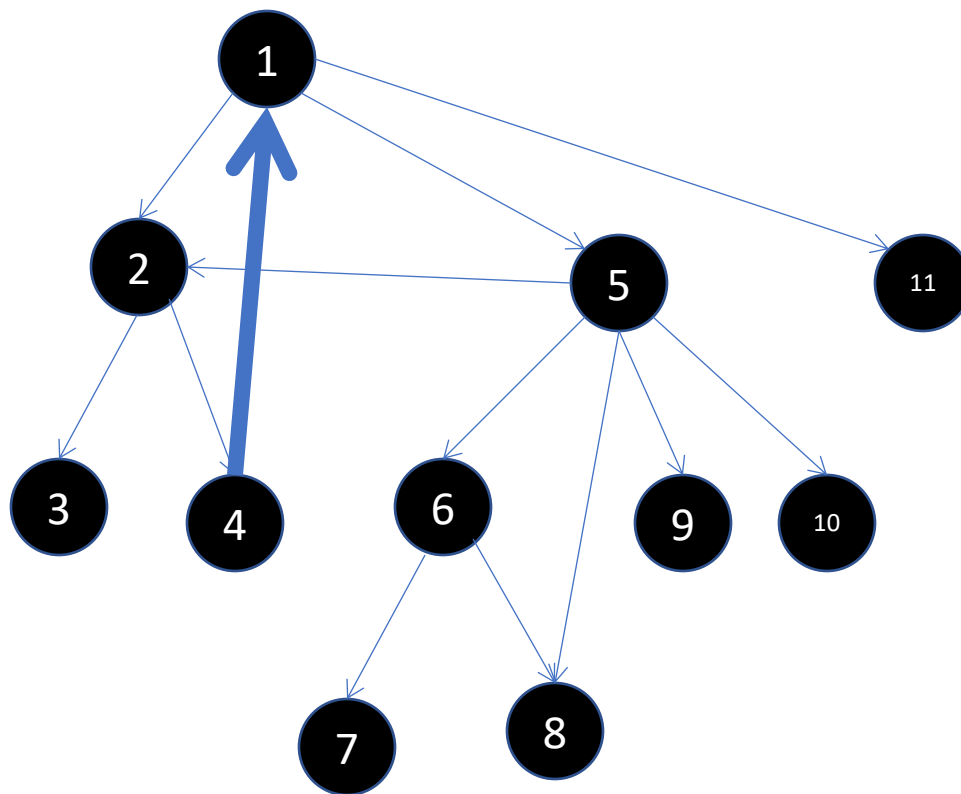
# DFS Traversal: Forward Arcs

**Forward arc:** an arc that does not belong to a tree in  $F$  but that connects a vertex to one of its descendants in the tree



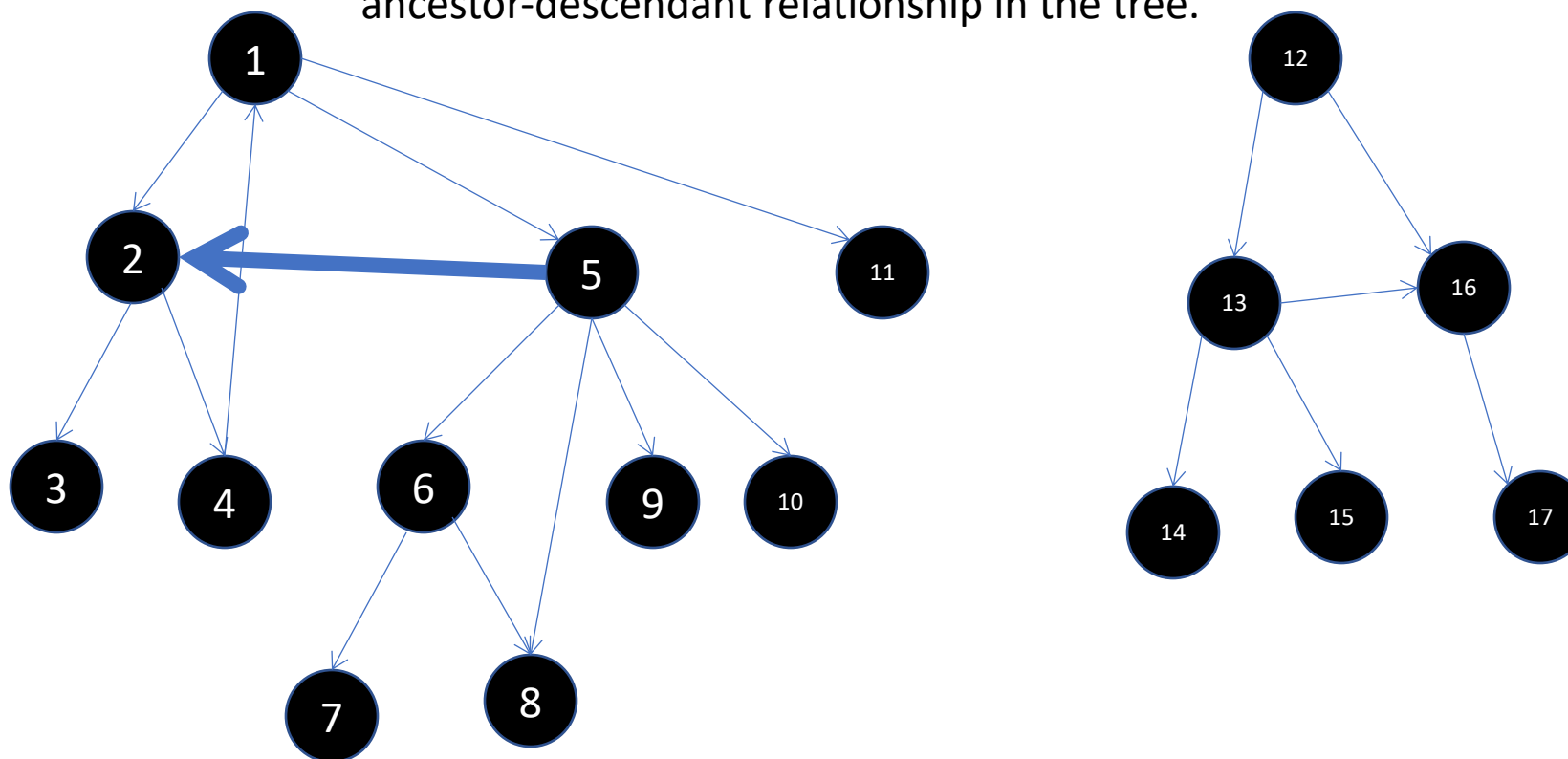
# DFS Traversal: Back Arc

**Back arcs:** an arc that does not belong to a tree in  $F$  but that connects a vertex to one of its ancestors in the tree



# DFS Traversal: Cross Arc

**Cross arcs:** an arc that does not belong to a tree in  $F$  and connects nodes that do not form an ancestor-descendant relationship in the tree.



# Basic properties of depth-first search

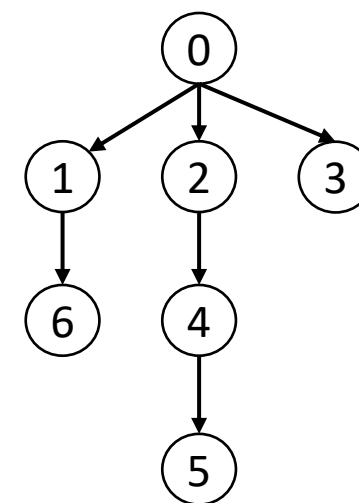
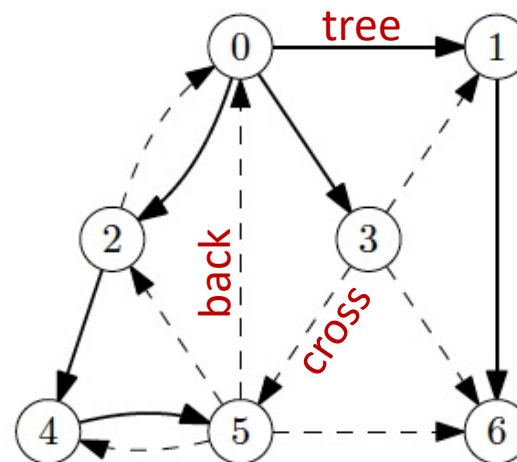
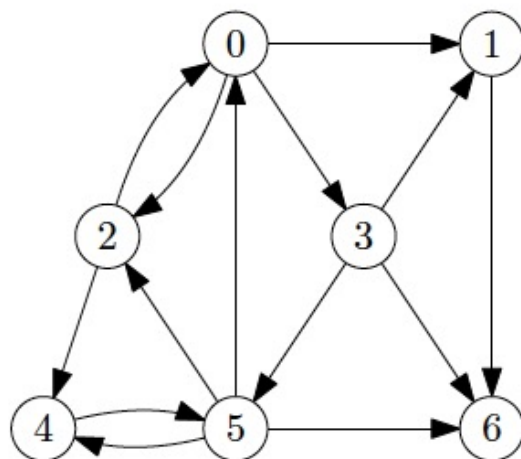
- Each call to  $\text{DFSVISIT}(v)$  terminates only when all nodes reachable from  $v$  via a path of **white nodes** have been seen.
- Suppose that  $(v, w)$  is an arc of a digraph. Cases:
  - tree or forward arc:  $\text{seen}[v] < \text{seen}[w] < \text{done}[w] < \text{done}[v]$ ;
  - back arc:  $\text{seen}[w] < \text{seen}[v] < \text{done}[v] < \text{done}[w]$ ;
  - cross arc:  $\text{seen}[w] < \text{done}[w] < \text{seen}[v] < \text{done}[v]$ .
- Note that there are no cross edges on a graph  $G$ . (Why?)

# Using DFS to Determine Ancestors of a Tree

- **Theorem:** Suppose that we have performed DFS on a digraph  $G$ , resulting in a search forest  $F$ . Let  $v, w \in V(G)$  and suppose that  $seen[v] < seen[w]$ .
- If  $v$  is an ancestor of  $w$  in  $F$ , then
$$seen[v] < seen[w] < done[w] < done[v] .$$
- If  $v$  is not an ancestor of  $w$  in  $F$ , then
$$seen[v] < done[v] < seen[w] < done[w] .$$

## Example 23.2

**Example 23.2.** A digraph and its DFS search tree, rooted at node 0. The dashed arcs indicate the original arcs that are not part of the DFS search tree.

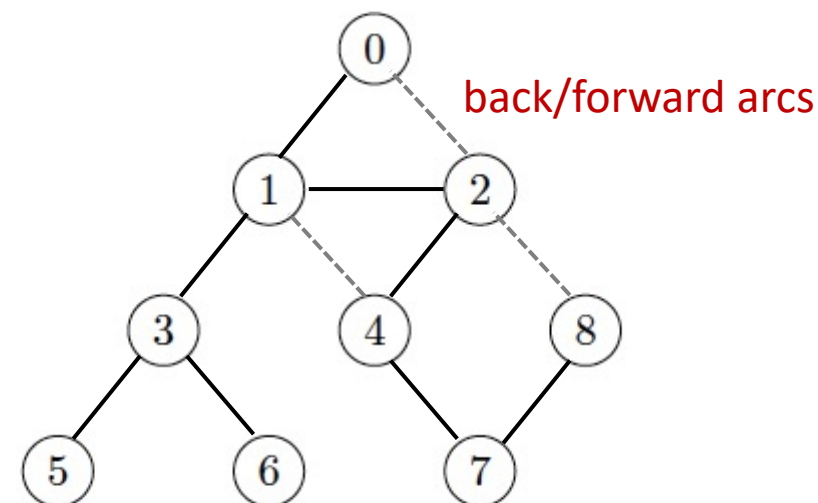
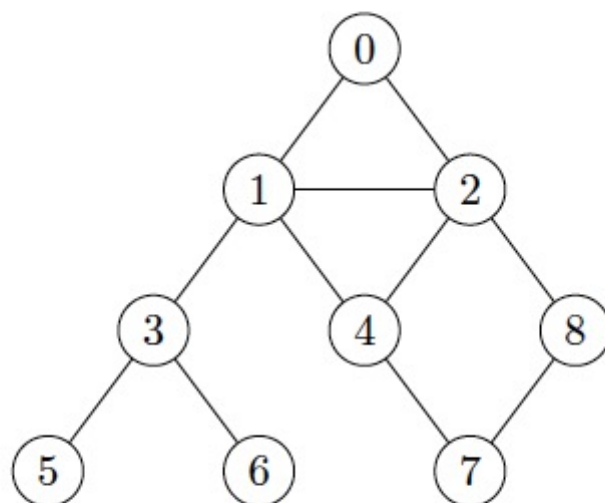


Find a tree arc, cross arc, forward arc and back arc (or say if that type of arc does not exist for that traversal).



## Example 23.3

**Example 23.3.** Use the nodes on the right to draw the search tree you obtain by running DFS on the graph on the left, starting at vertex 0. Use dashed edges to indicate edges that are not arcs in the search tree.

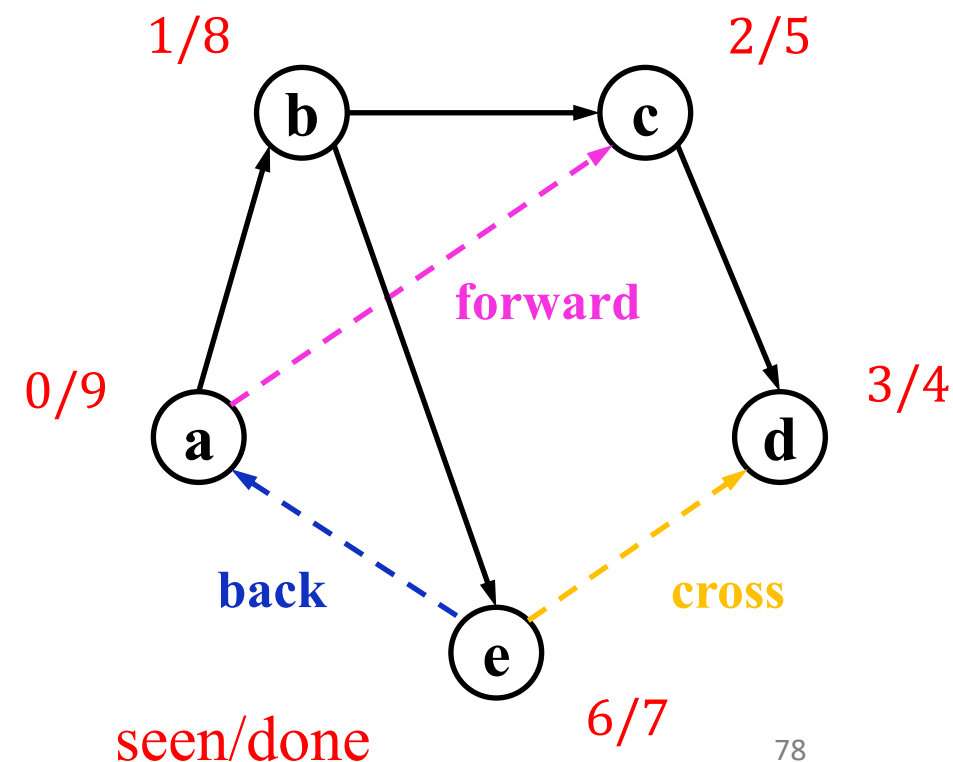


Find a tree arc, cross arc, forward arc and back arc (or say if that type of arc does not exist for that traversal). **8 tree arcs, 3 back/forward arcs, no cross arcs in graph**

# Example 23.7

- Explain how to determine  $(u,v)$  in DFS algorithm whether it is a tree-, back-, forward- or cross-arc?

- If  $v$  is **white**, then  $(u,v)$  is a **tree** arc
- If  $v$  is **grey**, then  $(u,v)$  is a **back** arc
- If  $v$  is **black**, then  $(u,v)$  is
  - a **cross** arc( $seen[v] < seen[u]$ ,  $done[v] < seen[u]$ ), or
  - a **forward** arc( $seen[u] < seen[v] < done[v] < done[u]$ ).



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