

# FAI LAB 11: Scheduling

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- **Slack**( $A$ ) =  $LS(A) - ES(A)$
- An action  $A$  is in the **critical path** IFF  $Slack(A) = 0$

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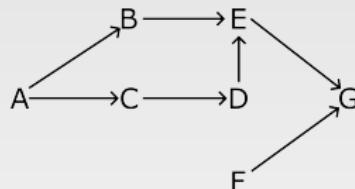
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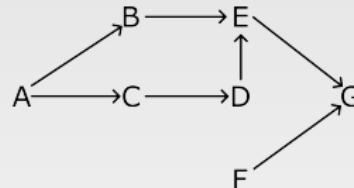
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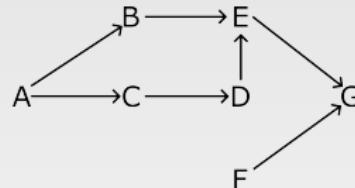
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$$ES(B) = 1$$

$$LS(B) = 6$$

$$ES(C) = 1$$

$$LS(C) = 2$$

$$ES(D) = 3$$

$$LS(D) = 4$$

$$ES(E) = 8$$

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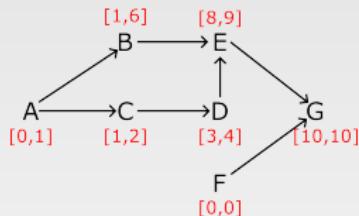
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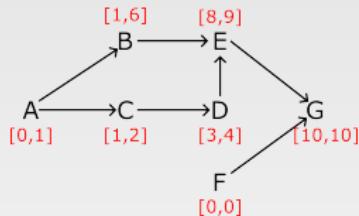
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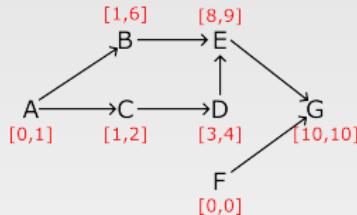
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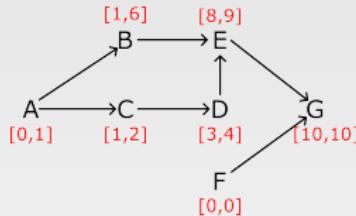
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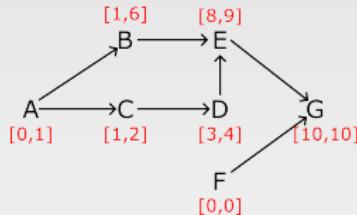
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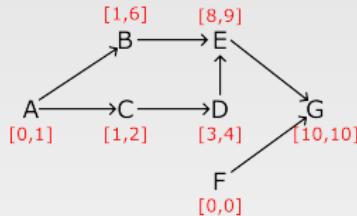
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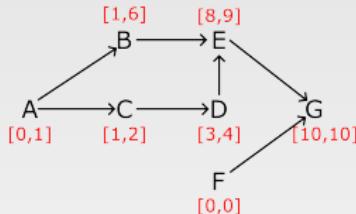
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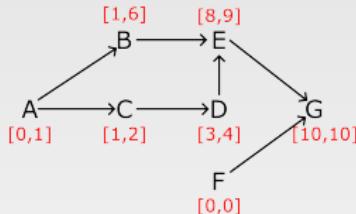
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Same durations as before, but with dependencies:

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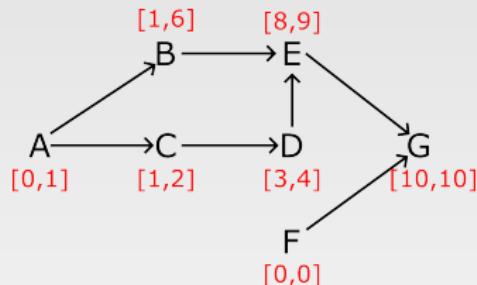
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## Adding resources

- No required resources: scheduling is computationally **easy**
- Finite resources makes it **much harder**
- The output of the CPM can guide the search

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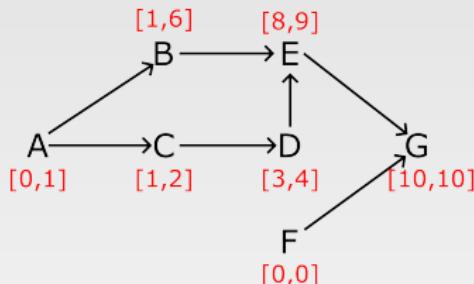
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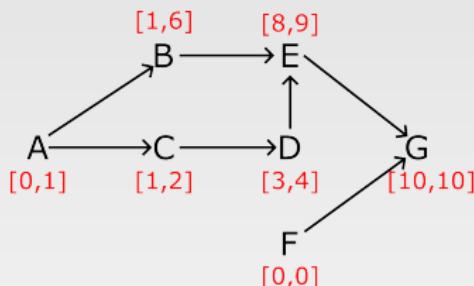


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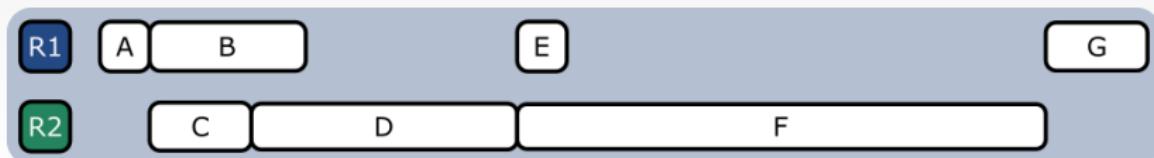
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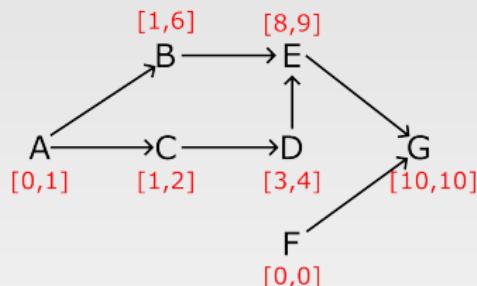
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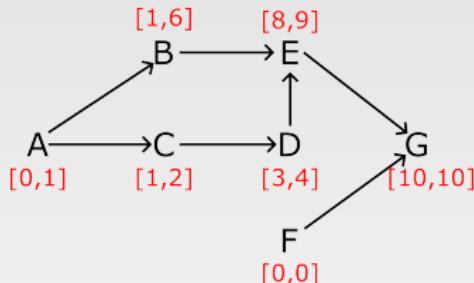
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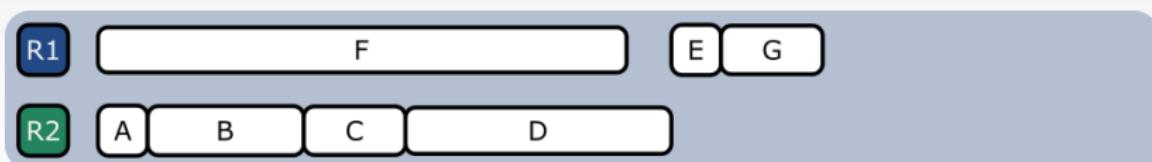
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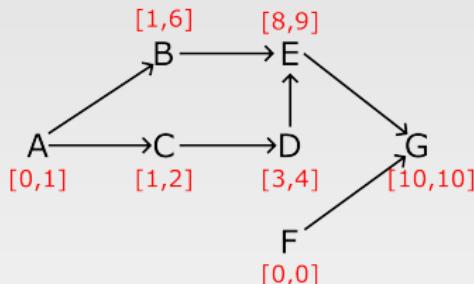
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