

BFS (Cont.) and Bipartite Graphs

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- Works on both **directed** and **undirected graphs**.

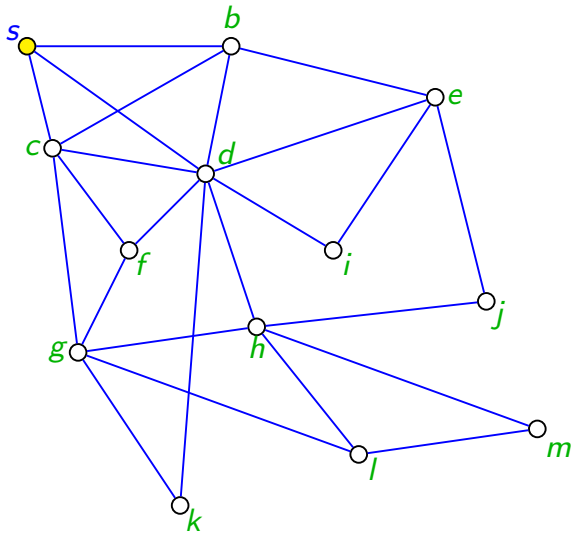
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- Keep track of progress by **coloring** each vertex **white**, **gray**, or **black**.
- All vertices **start out white**.
- May later become **gray** and **then black**.
- A vertex is **discovered**, the first time it is encountered during the search, at which time it becomes **non-white**.
- Distinguishes between gray and black vertices to ensure that the search proceeds in a breadth-first manner.

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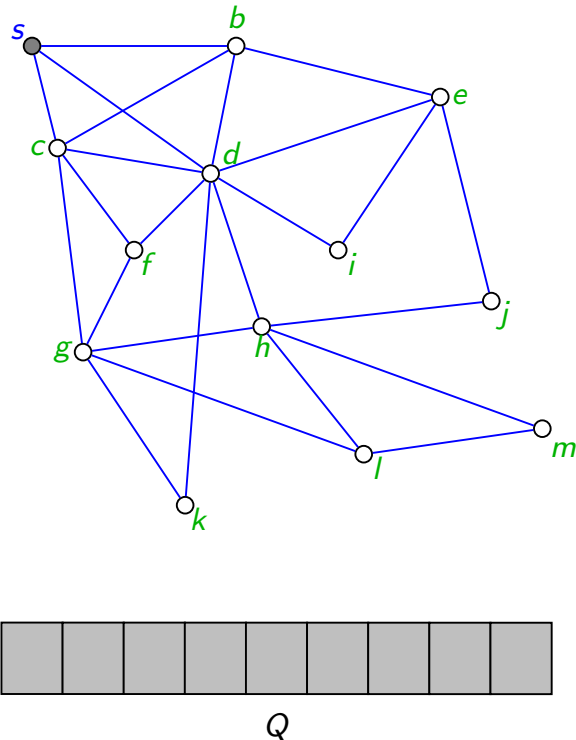
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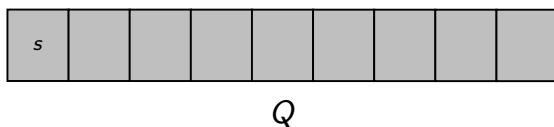
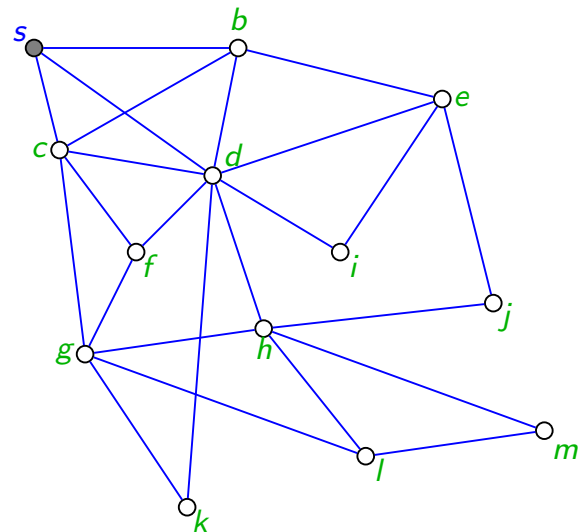
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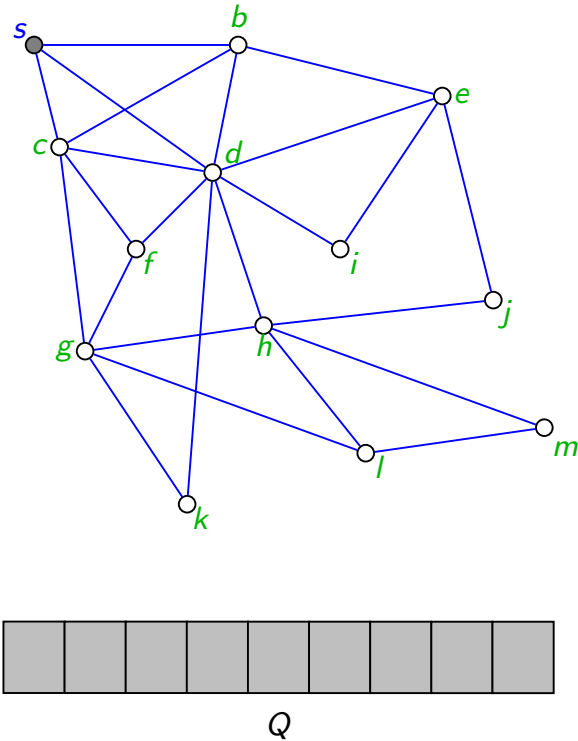
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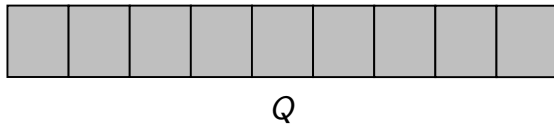
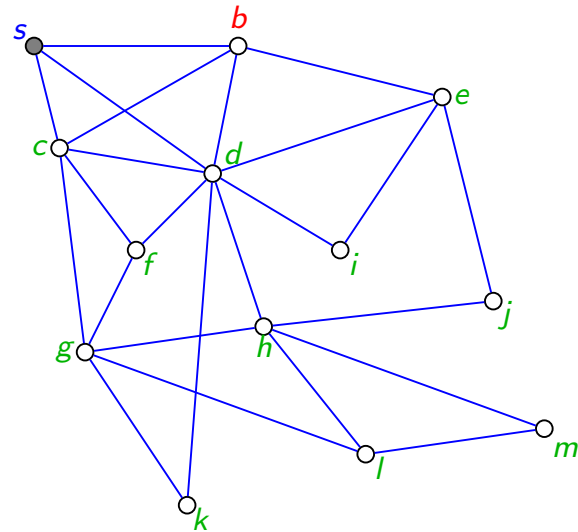
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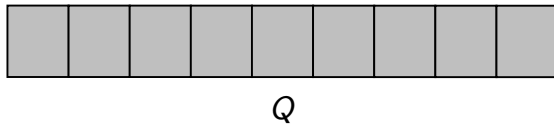
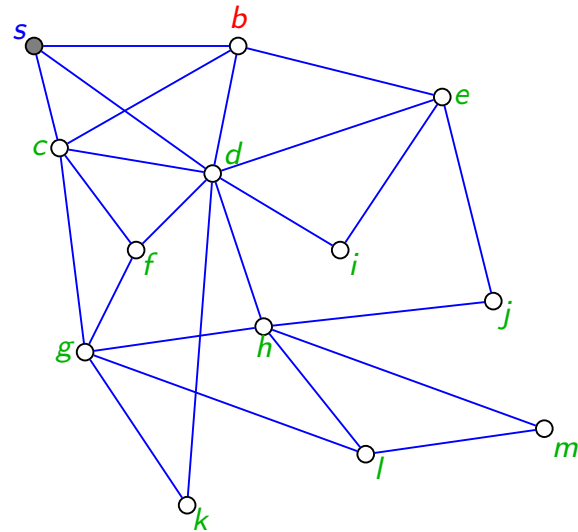
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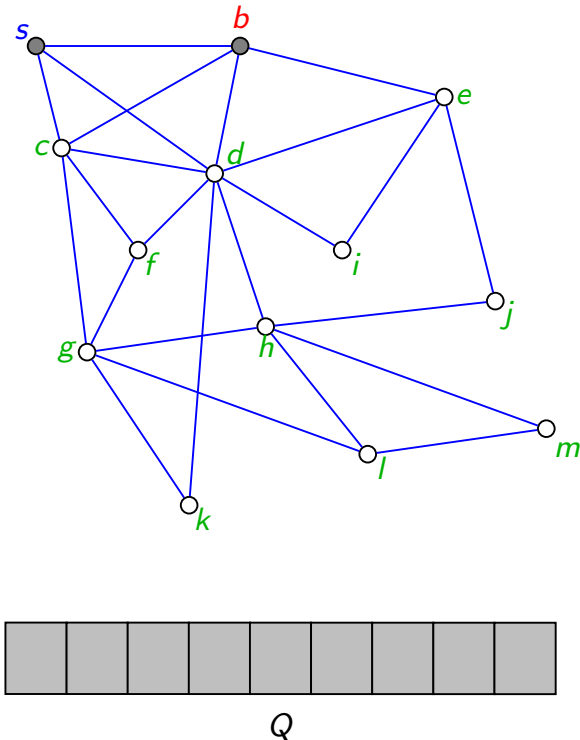
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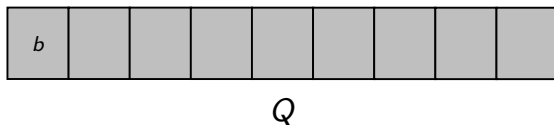
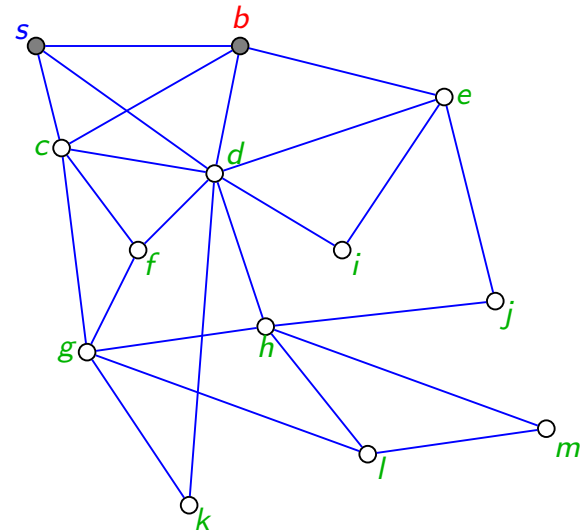
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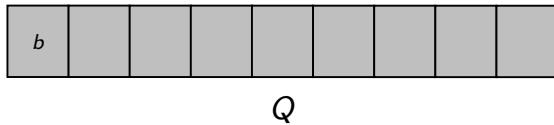
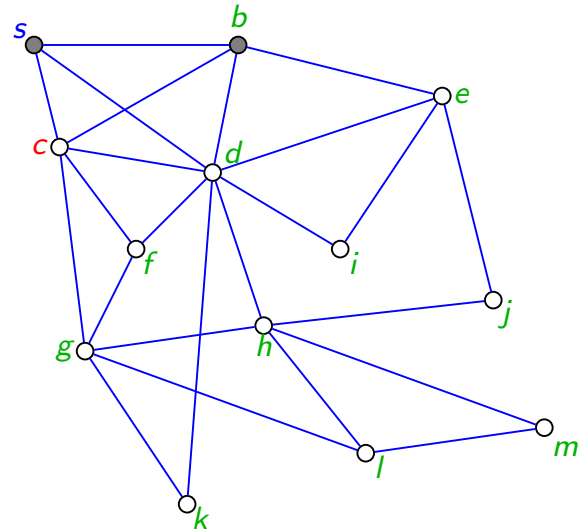
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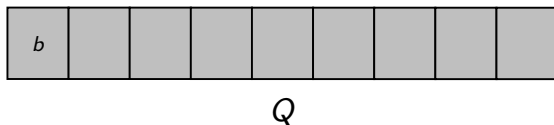
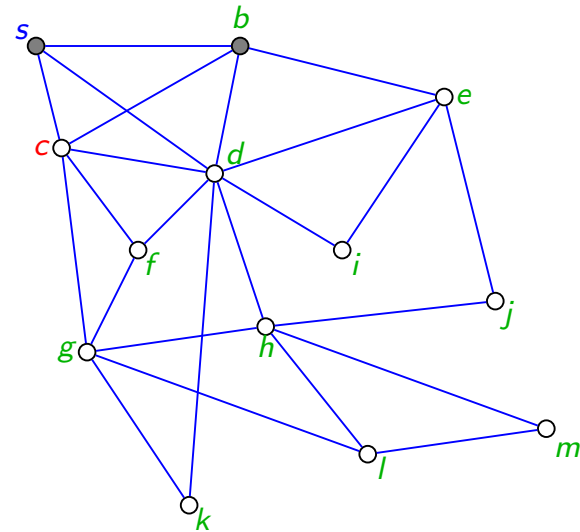
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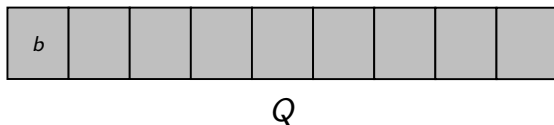
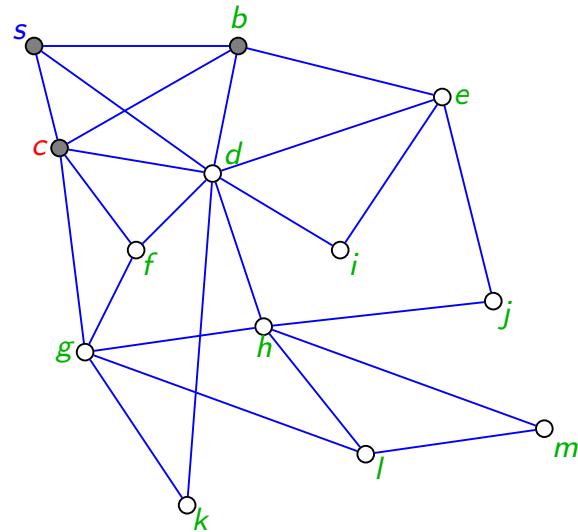
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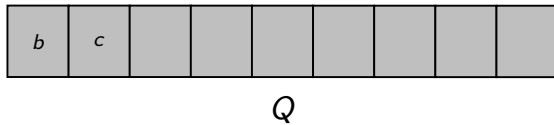
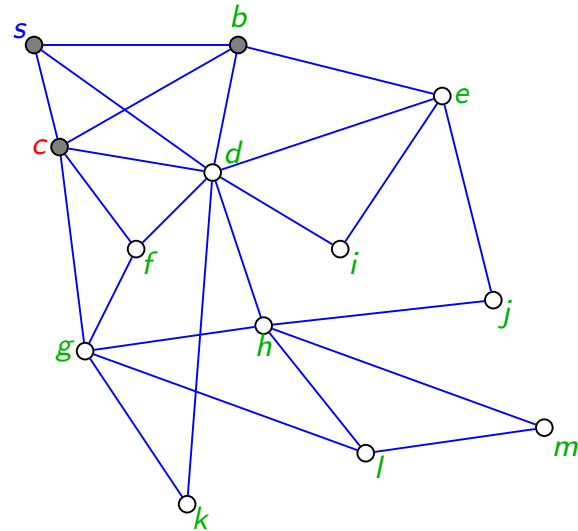
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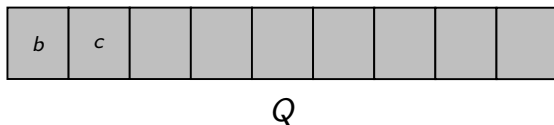
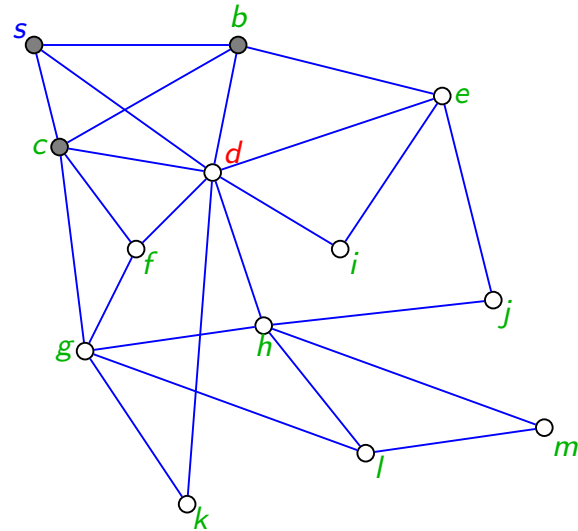
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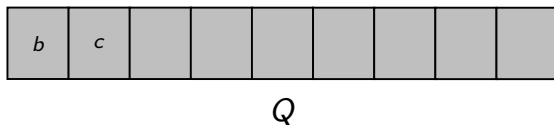
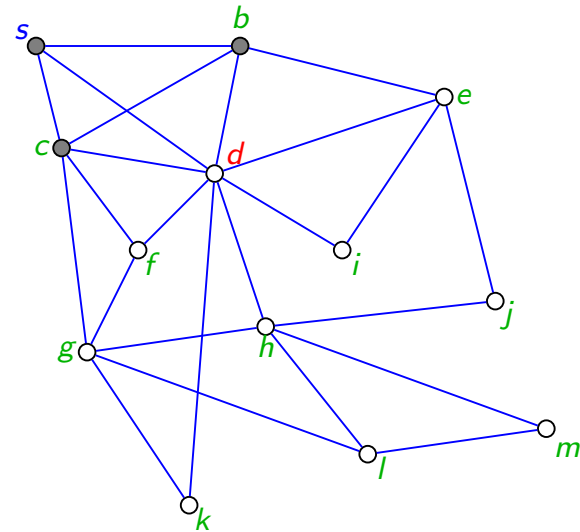
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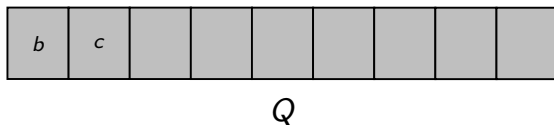
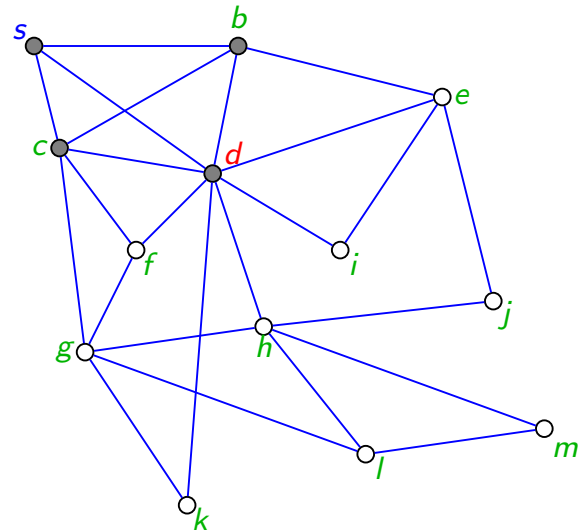
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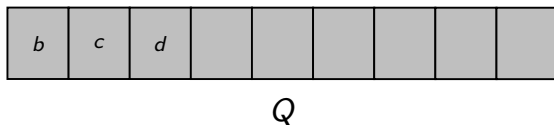
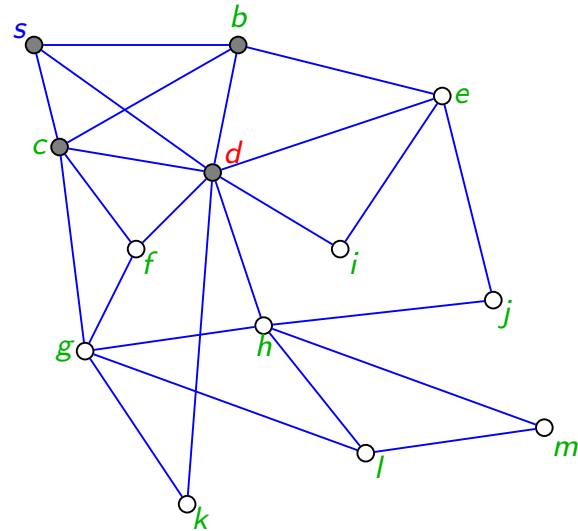
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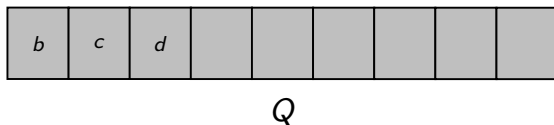
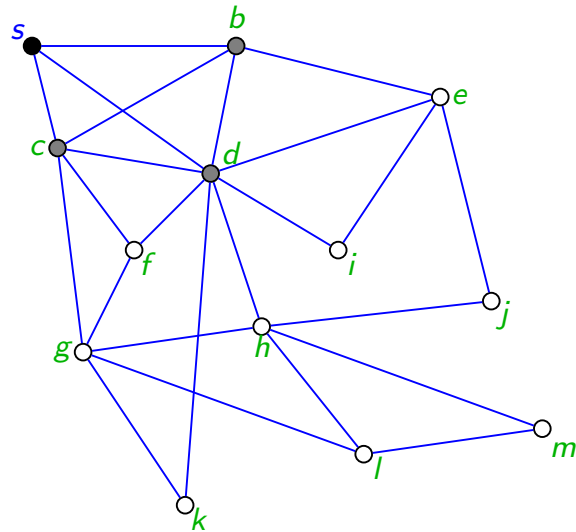
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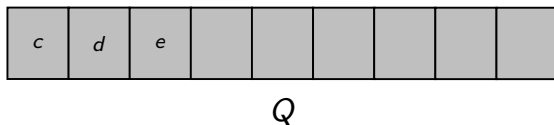
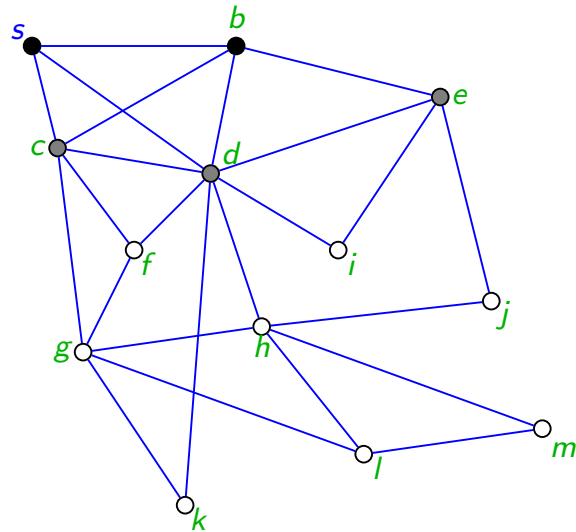
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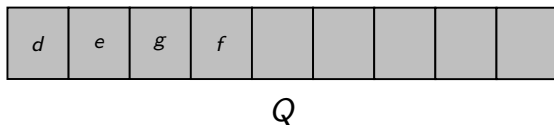
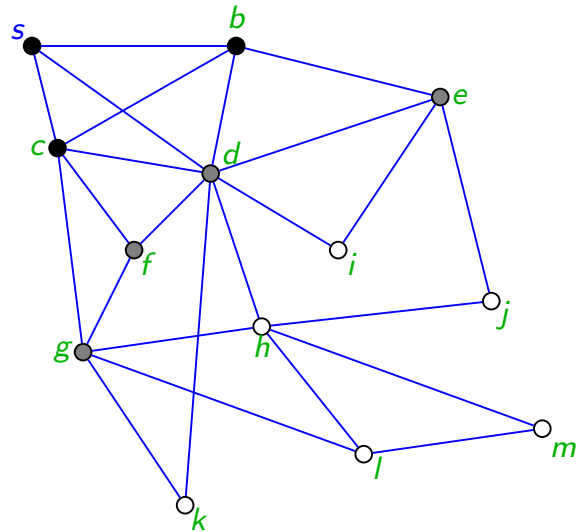
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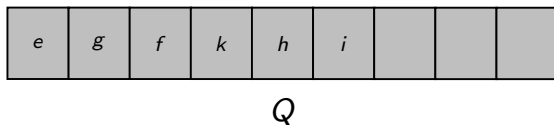
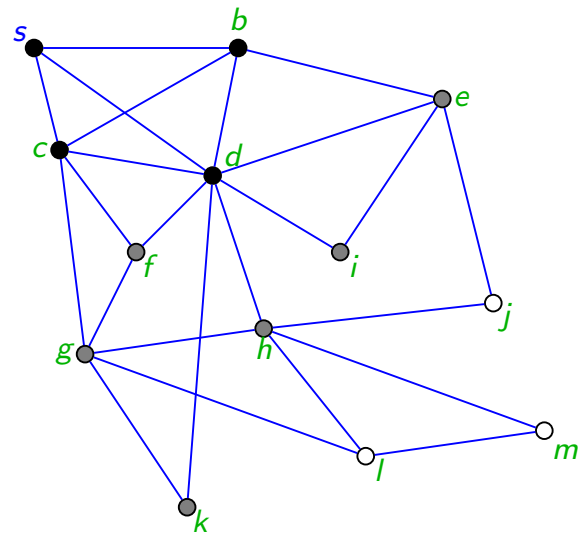
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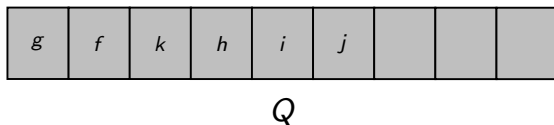
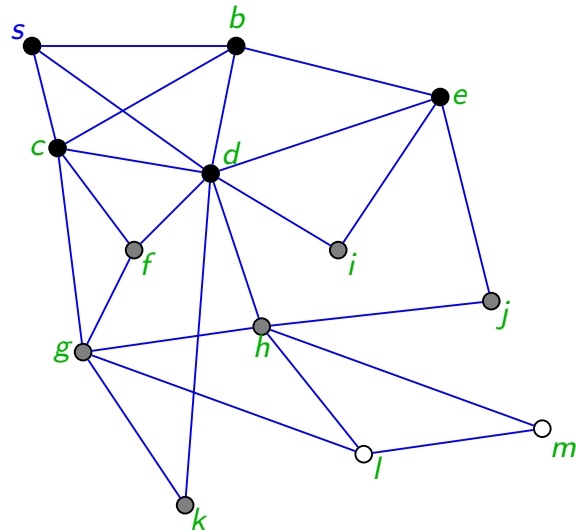
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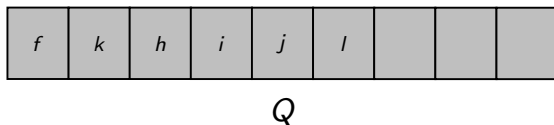
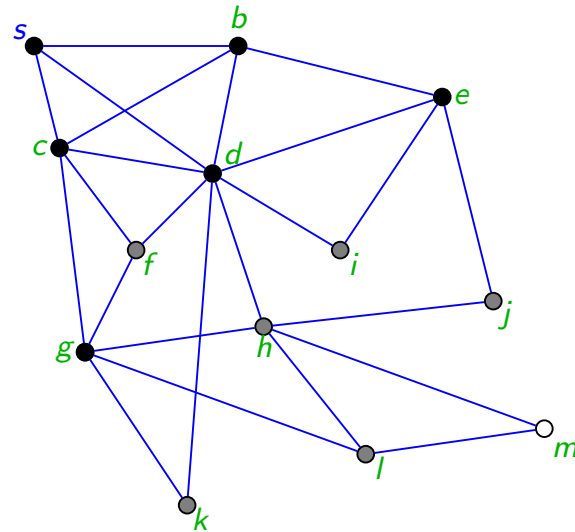
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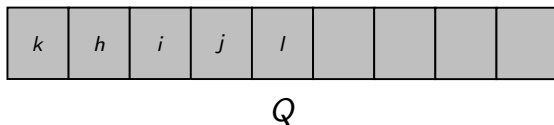
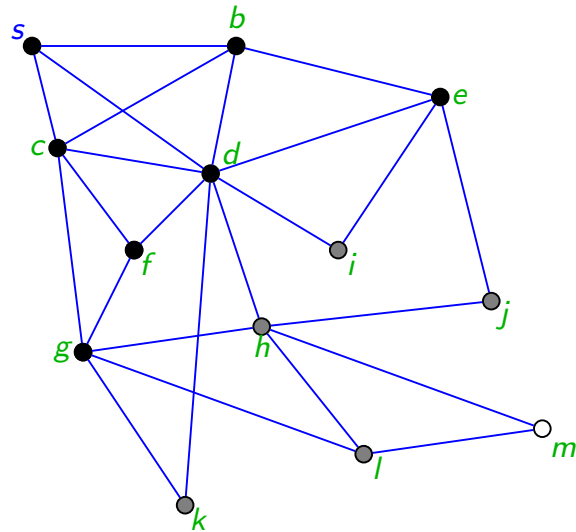
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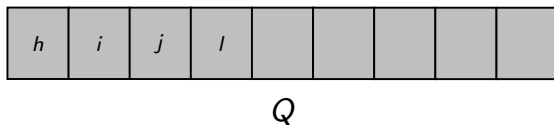
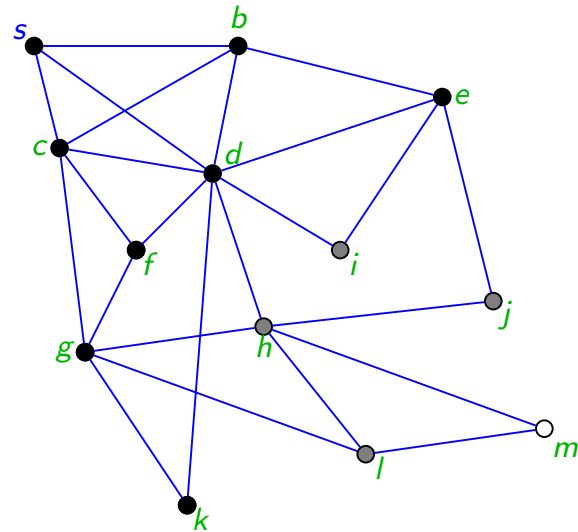
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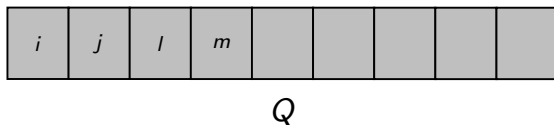
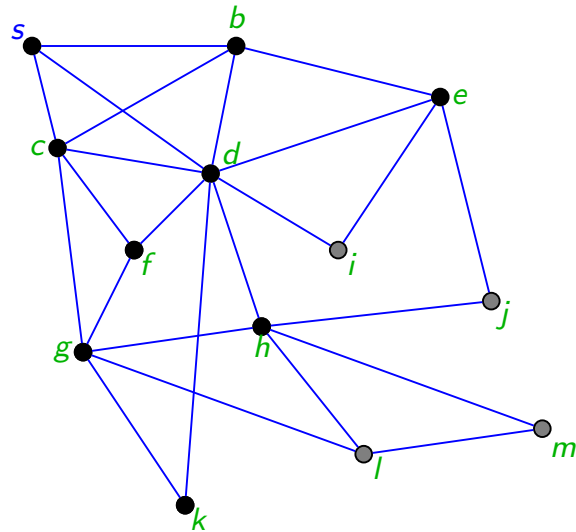
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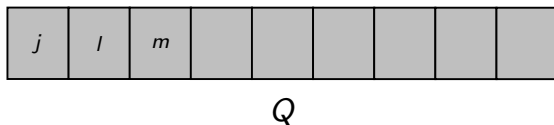
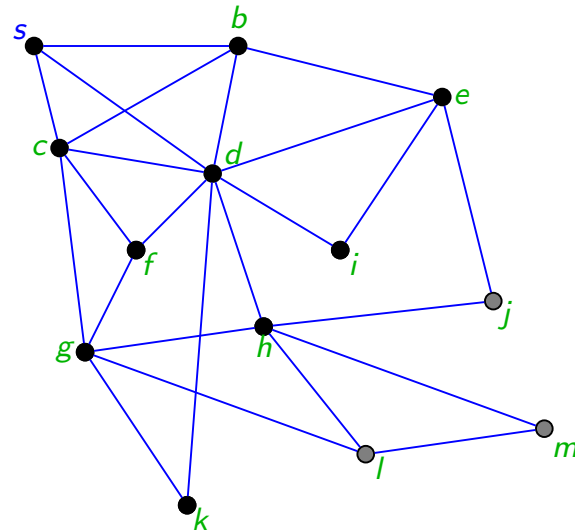
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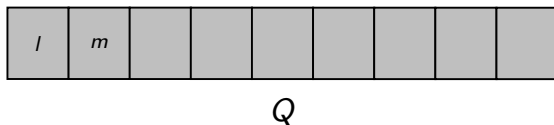
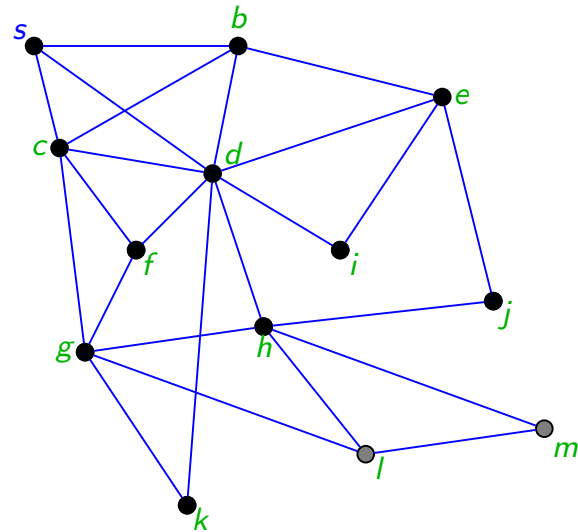
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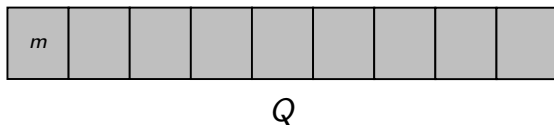
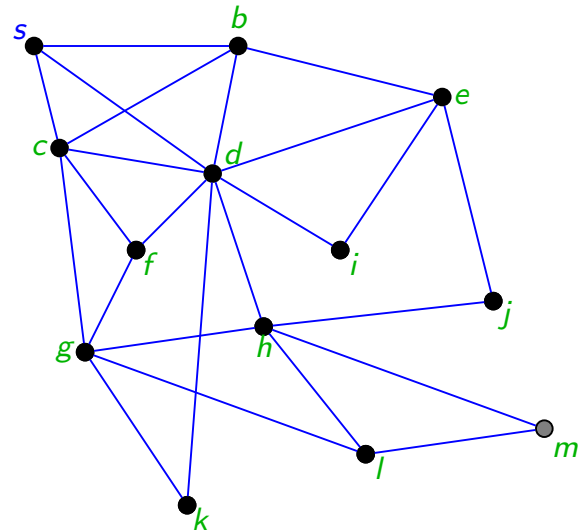
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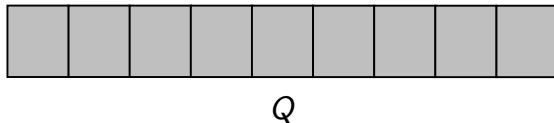
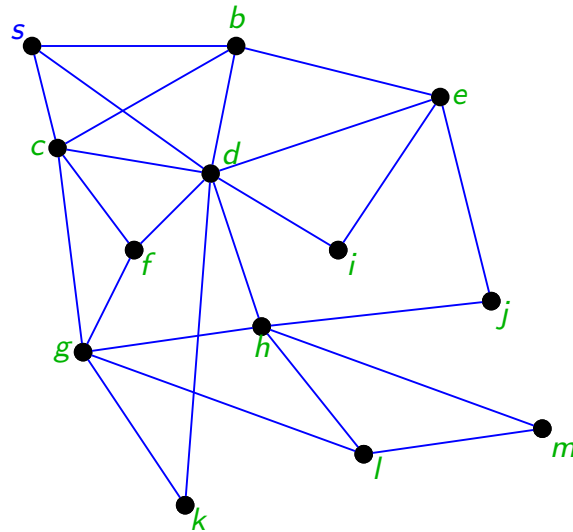
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“At the beginning of the **while** loop, the queue Q consists of the set of gray vertices of G .”

- Prior to the first iteration, the **only gray vertex**, and the only vertex in Q , is the **source vertex s** .
- For each vertex $v \in Adj[u]$, **if $color[v]$ is white**, then it has not yet been discovered,
 - It is first grayed, and
 - its distance $d[v]$ is set to $d[u] + 1$.
 - Then, u is recorded as its parent.
 - Finally, it is placed at the tail of the queue Q .
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- Thus whenever a vertex is painted gray it is also ENQUEUED, and whenever a vertex is DEQUEUED it is also painted black..

Observations About BFS(G, s)

- The result depends upon the order in which the neighbors of a given vertex are visited.
- But, the distances d is not affected by it.
- Any vertex v enters the queue **at most once**.
- Before entering the queue, distance $d[v]$ is updated.
- When a vertex v is DEQUEUED, v **processes** all its **unvisited neighbors** by
 - **computing** their **distances** and
 - then **enqueueing** them.
- A vertex v in the queue is **surely removed** from the queue during the algorithm.

Cost Analysis

- **Initialization phase:** $\mathcal{O}(|V|)$
- **Note:** After initialization, no vertex is ever whitened.
- Each vertex is ENQUEUED only if it is **white** \Rightarrow each vertex is ENQUEUED **at most once** and hence DEQUEUED **at most once**.
- ENQUEUEING and DEQUEUEING takes $\mathcal{O}(1)$ time.
- So the total time devoted to queue operations is $\mathcal{O}(|V|)$.
- Adjacency list of each vertex is scanned only when the vertex is DEQUEUED \Rightarrow each adjacency list is scanned at most once.
- Recall the sum of the lengths of all the adjacency lists is $\Theta(|E|)$.
- \therefore total time spent in scanning adjacency lists is $\mathcal{O}(|E|)$.
- **Complexity:** $\mathcal{O}(|V| + |E|)$.
- \therefore BFS runs in time **linear in the size of the adjacency-list representation of G .**

Correctness of BFS

Question: What do we mean by correctness of $\text{BFS}(G, s)$?

Answer:

- All vertices reachable from s get visited.
- Vertices are visited in non-decreasing order of distance from s .
- At the end of the algorithm, $d[v] = \delta(s, v)$ for all $v \in V \setminus \{s\}$.

Lemma 1

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Let $G = (V, E)$ be a directed or undirected graph, and let $s \in V$ be an arbitrary vertex. Then, for any edge $(u, v) \in E$,

$$\delta(s, v) \leq \delta(s, u) + 1.$$

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Suppose that during the execution of BFS on a graph $G = (V, E)$, the queue Q contains the vertices $\langle v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r \rangle$, where v_1 is the head of Q and v_r is the tail. Then, $d[v_r] \leq d[v_1] + 1$ and $d[v_i] \leq d[v_{i+1}]$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, r - 1$.

Corollary 1

The following corollary shows that the d values at the time that vertices are ENQUEUED are monotonically increasing over time.

Corollary

Suppose that vertices v_i and v_j are ENQUEUED during the execution of BFS, and that v_i is enqueued before v_j . Then $d[v_i] \leq d[v_j]$ at the time that v_j is ENQUEUED.

Correctness of BFS

Theorem (Correctness of breadth-first search)

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a directed or undirected graph, and suppose that BFS is run on G from a given source vertex $s \in V$. Then, during its execution,

- *BFS discovers every vertex $v \in V$ that is reachable from the source s , and*
- *upon termination, $d[v] = \delta(s, v)$ for all $v \in V$.*
- *Moreover, for any vertex $v \neq s$ that is reachable from s , one of the shortest paths from s to v is a shortest path from s to $\pi[v]$ followed by the edge $(\pi[v], v)$.*

BFS Tree

Breadth-first Search Tree

- BFS constructs a **breadth-first tree**.
- Initially containing only its root, which is the source vertex s .
- Recall that whenever a **white vertex v is discovered** in the course of scanning the adjacency list of an already discovered vertex u , **the vertex v and the edge (u, v) are added to the tree**.
- We say that u is the **predecessor or parent** of v in the breadth-first tree.
- Since a vertex is discovered at most once, it has at most one parent.
- Ancestor and descendant relationships in the breadth-first tree are defined relative to the root s as usual:
 - if u is on a path in the tree from the root s to vertex v , then u is an **ancestor** of v and v is a **descendant** of u .

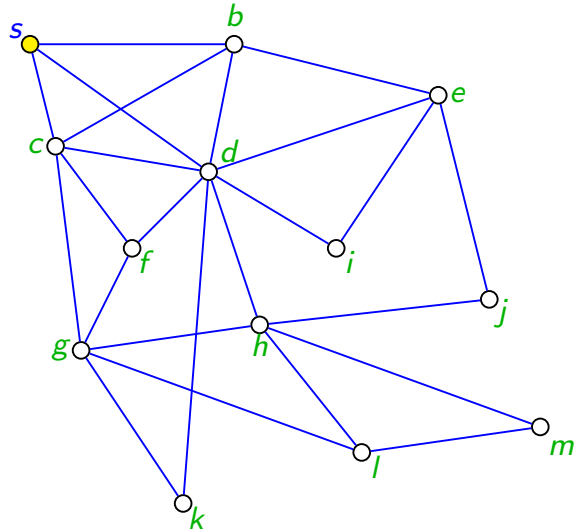
Breadth-first Search Tree (Cont.)

- The tree is represented by the π field in each vertex.
- **Formally:** For a graph $G = (V, E)$ with source s , define the predecessor subgraph of G as $G_\pi = (V_\pi, E_\pi)$, where

$$\begin{aligned} V_\pi &= \{v \in V : \pi[v] \neq \text{NIL}\} \cup \{s\} \text{ and} \\ E_\pi &= \{(\pi[v], v) : v \in V_\pi \setminus \{s\}\}. \end{aligned}$$

- The predecessor subgraph G_π is a breadth-first tree.
- V_π consists of the vertices reachable from s .
- For all $v \in V_\pi$, there is a unique simple path from s to v in G_π that is also a shortest path from s to v in G .
- It is in fact a tree, since it is connected and $|E_\pi| = |V_\pi| - 1$. The edges in E_π are called tree edges.

BFS(G, s)



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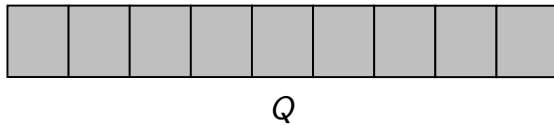
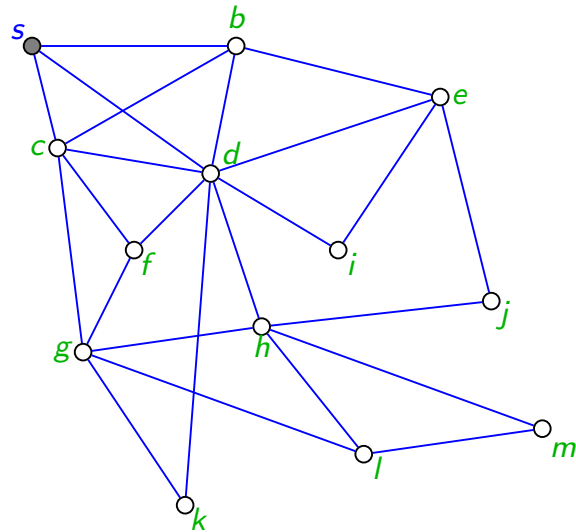
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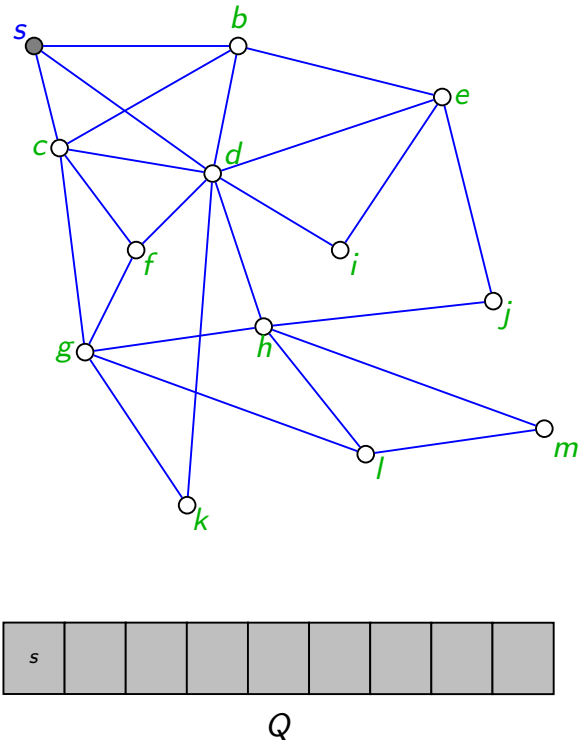
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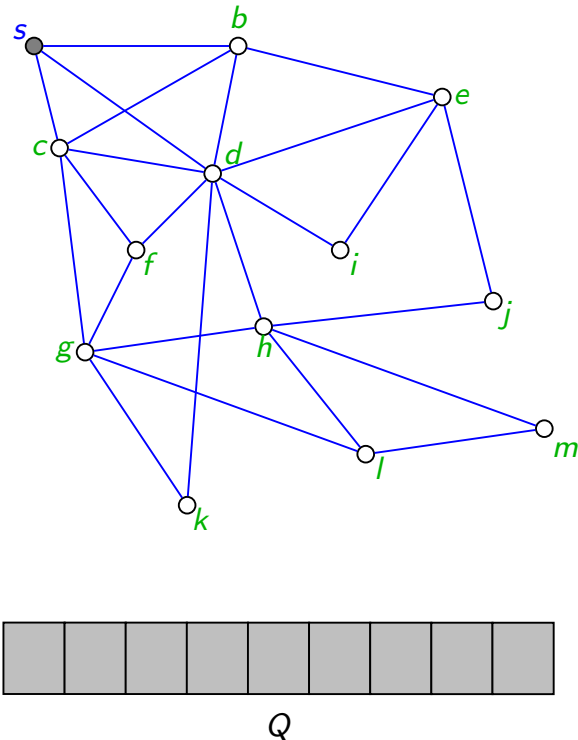
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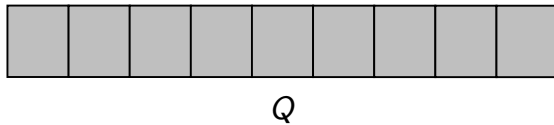
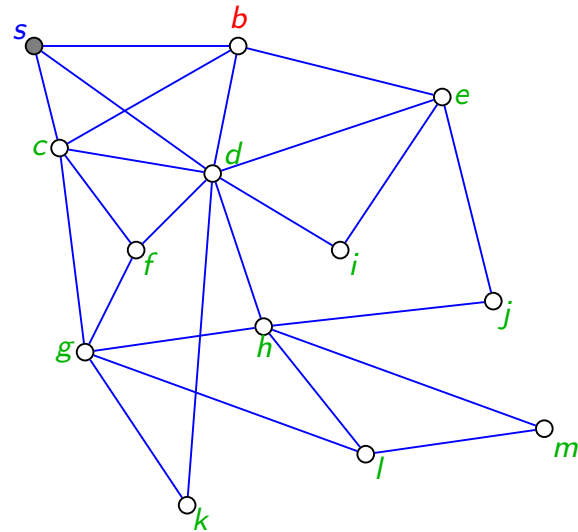
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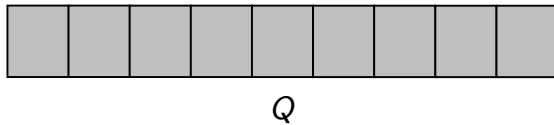
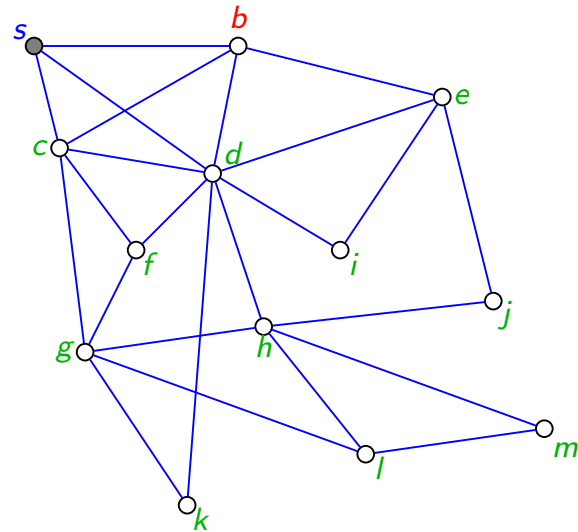
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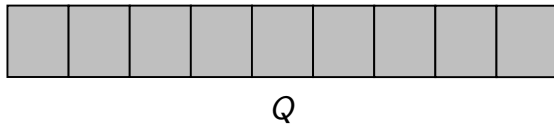
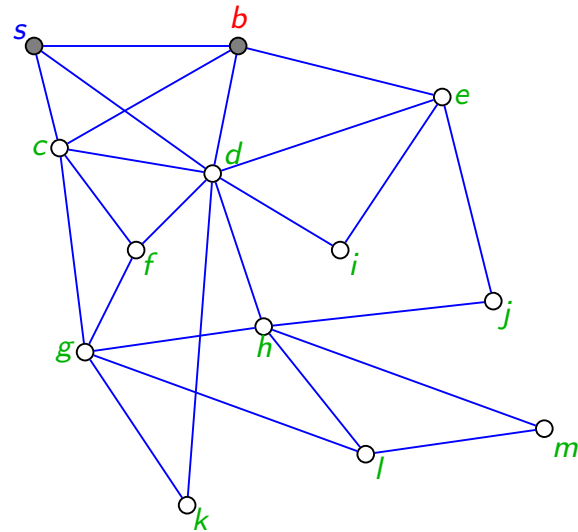
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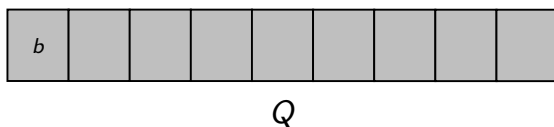
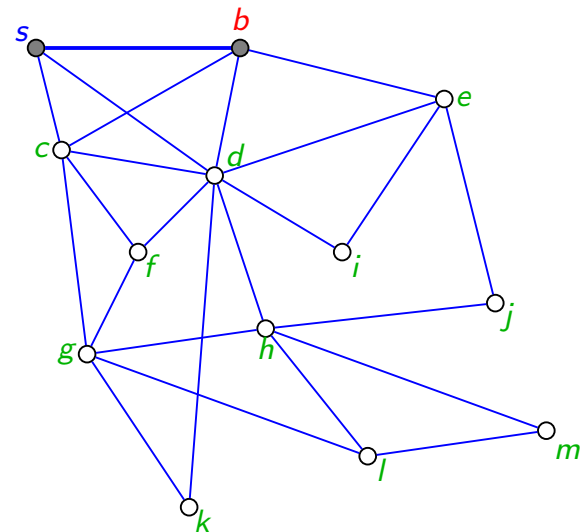
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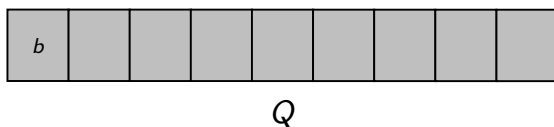
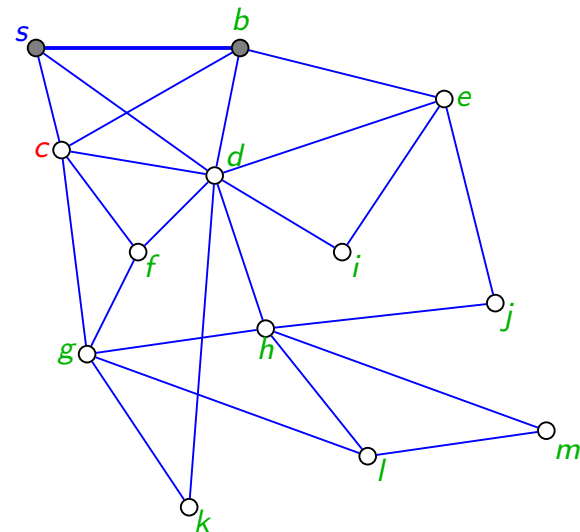
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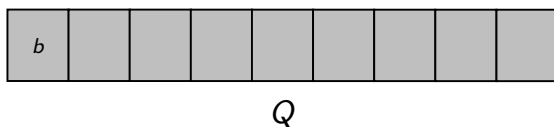
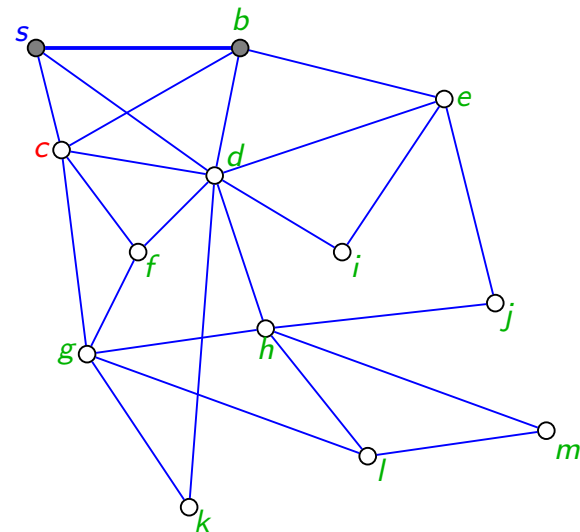
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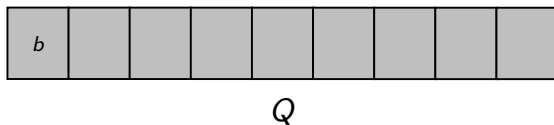
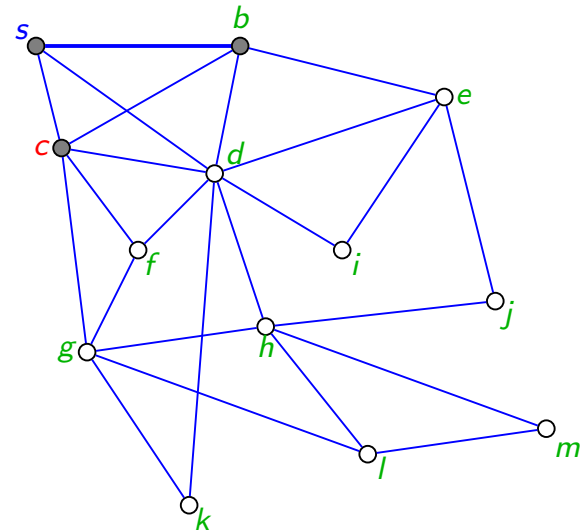
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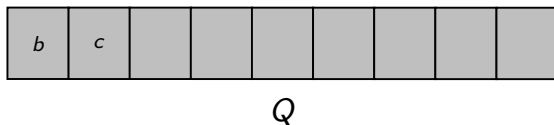
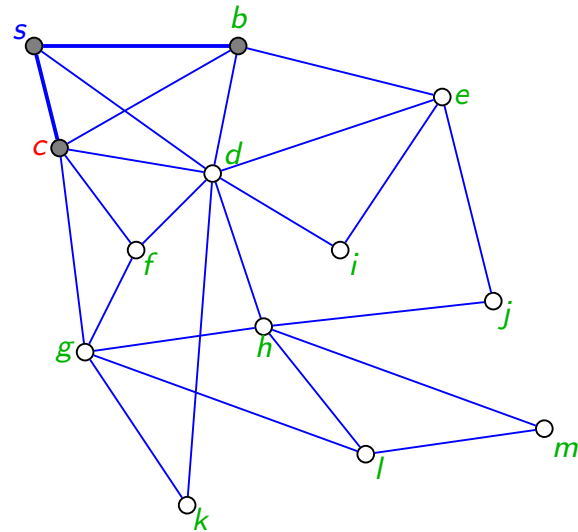
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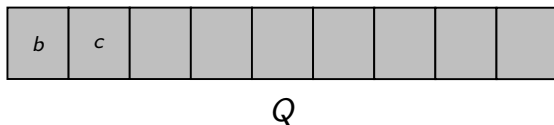
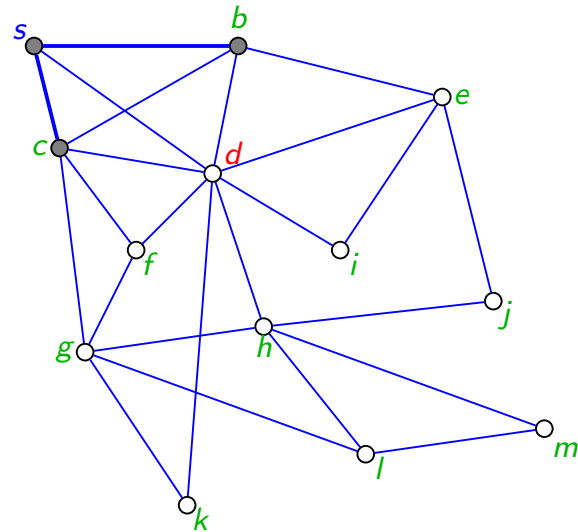
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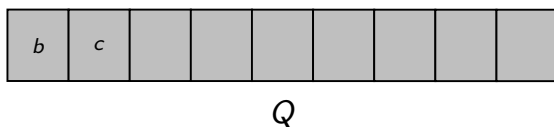
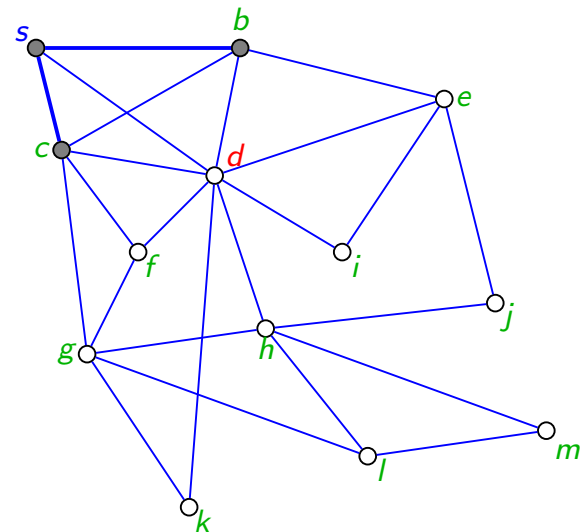
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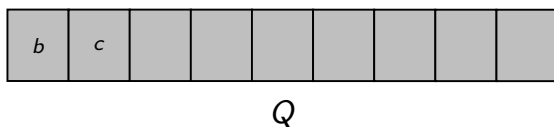
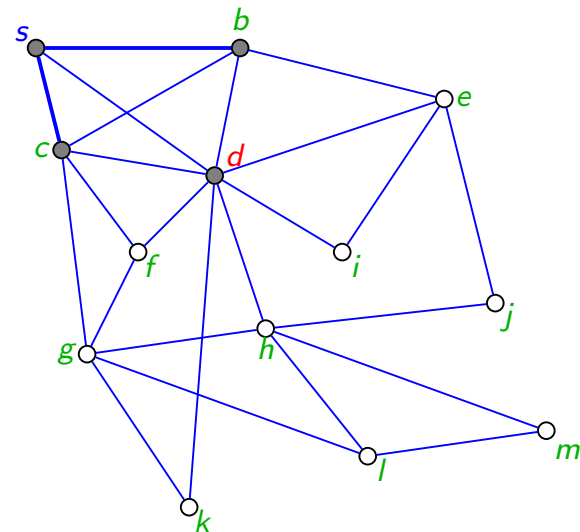
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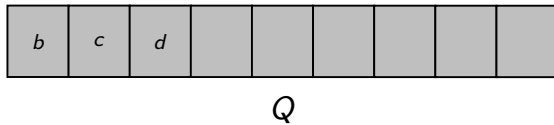
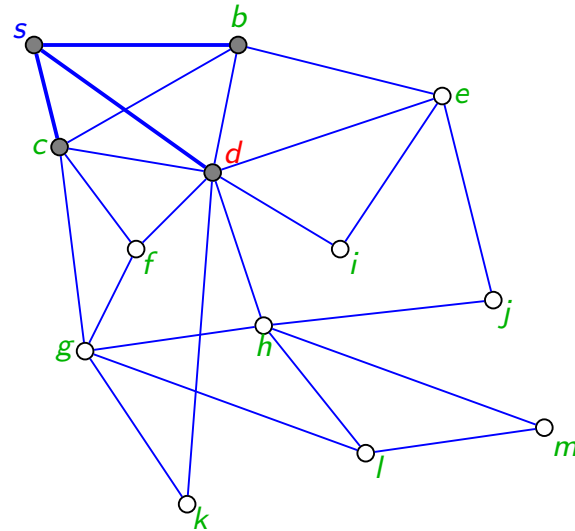
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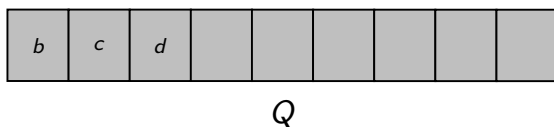
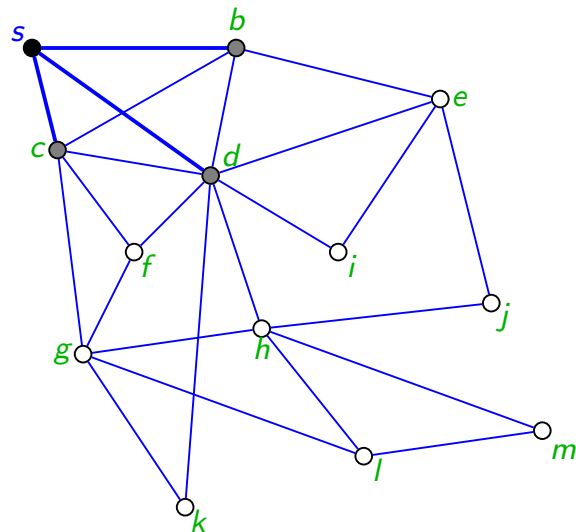
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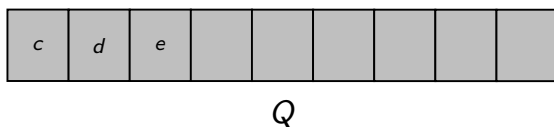
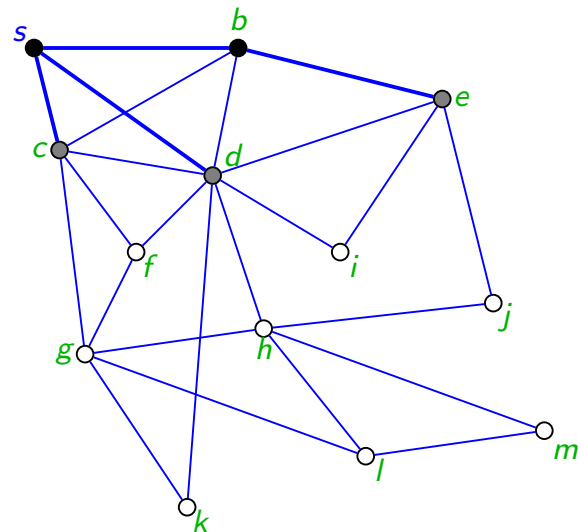
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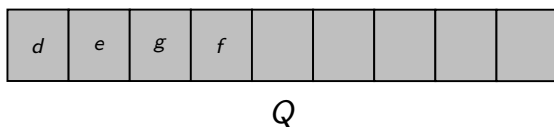
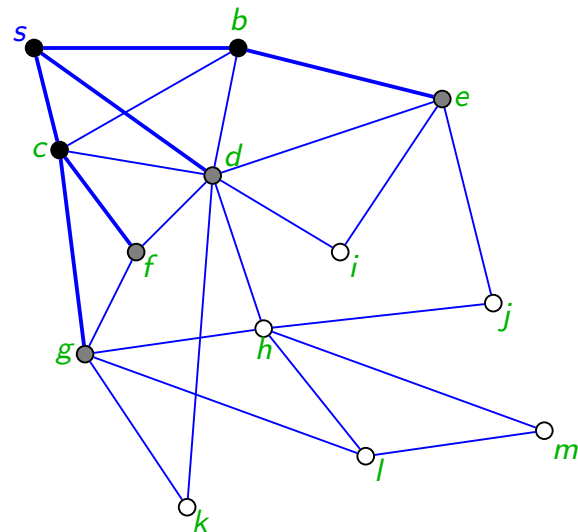
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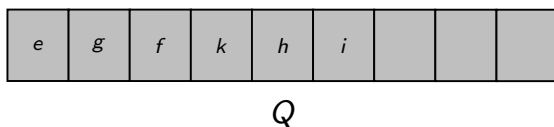
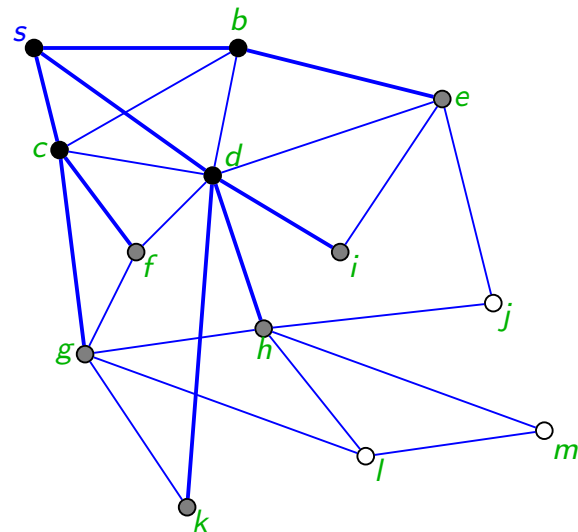
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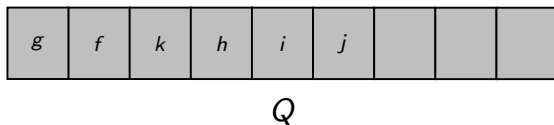
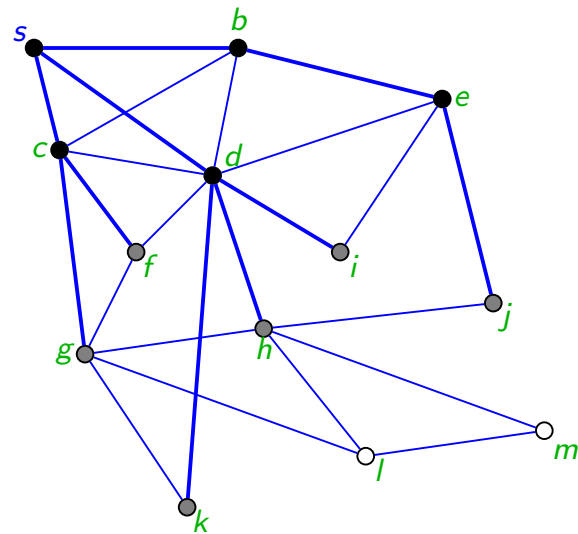
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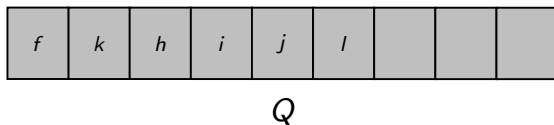
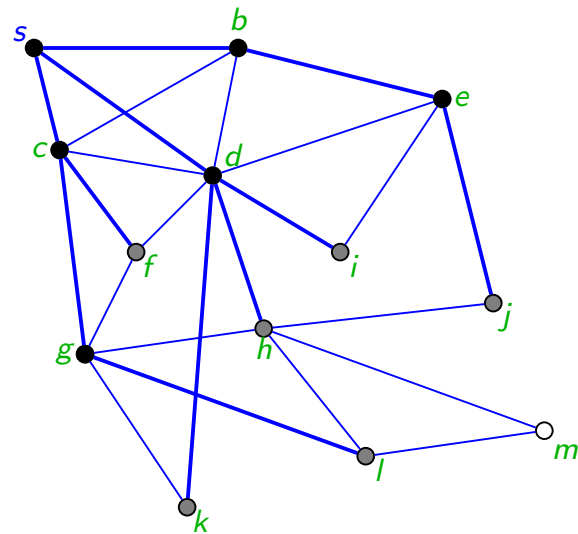
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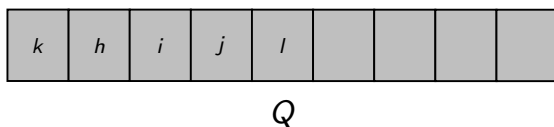
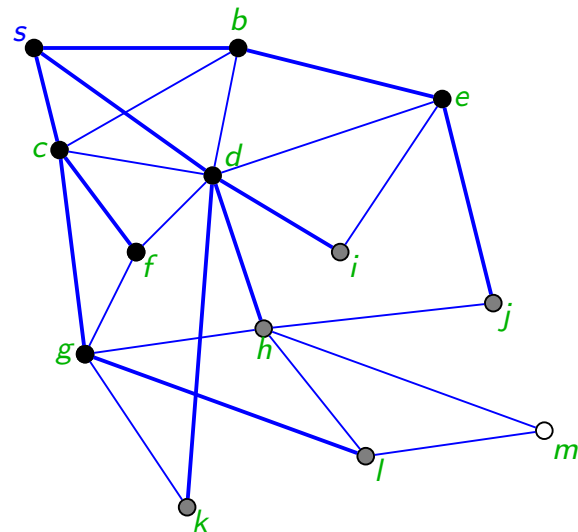
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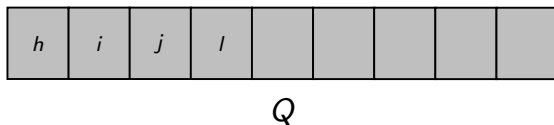
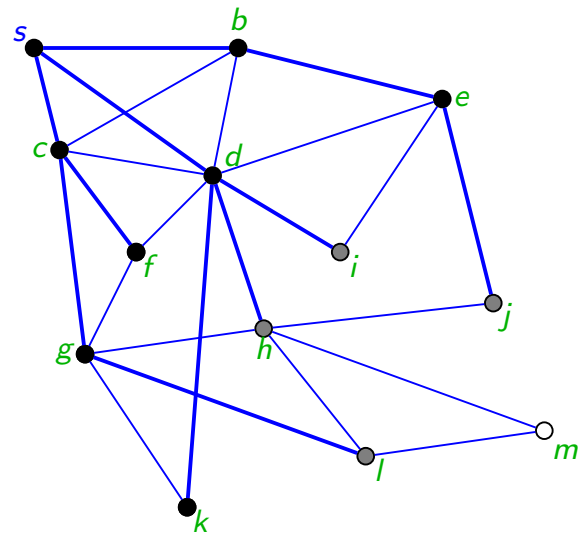
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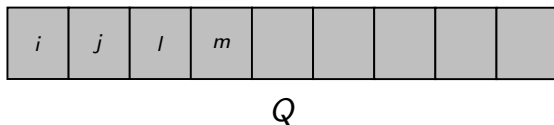
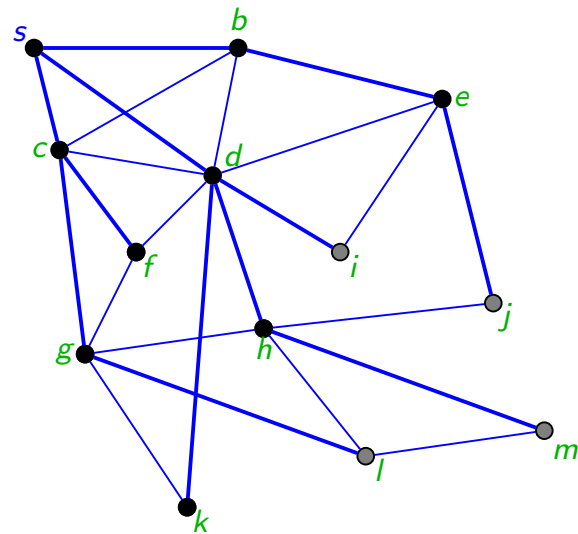
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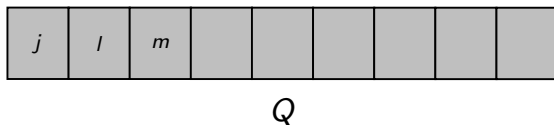
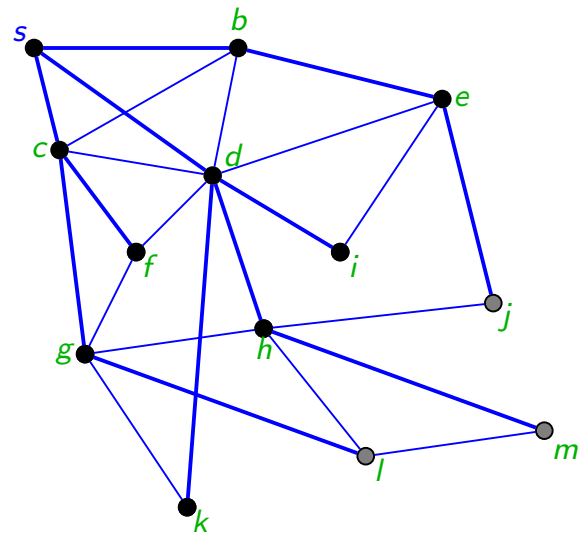
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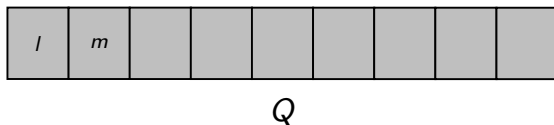
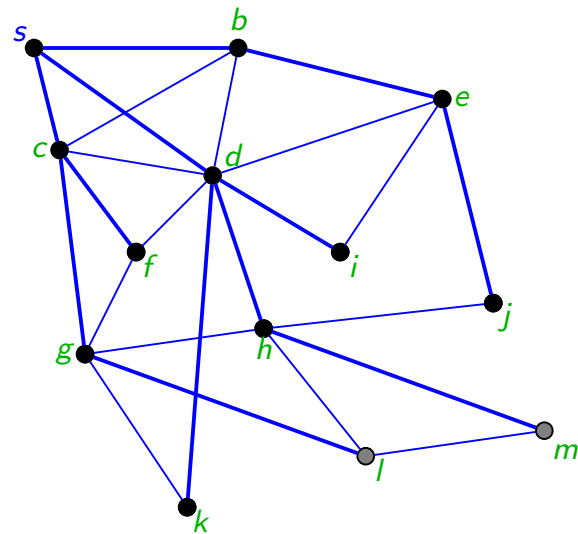
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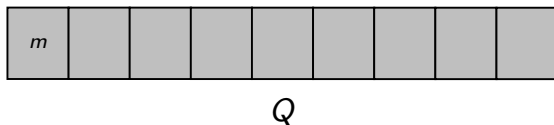
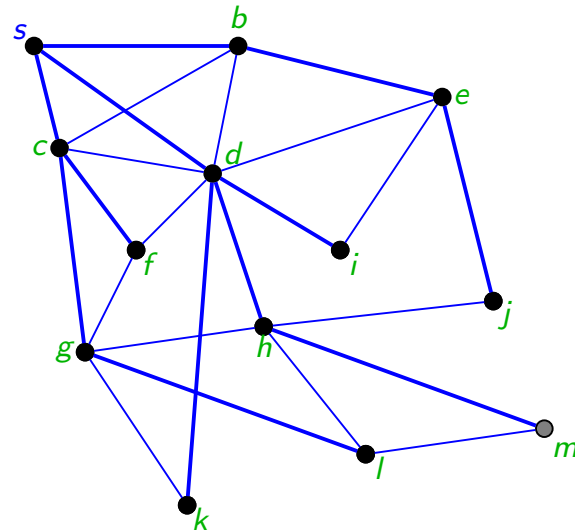
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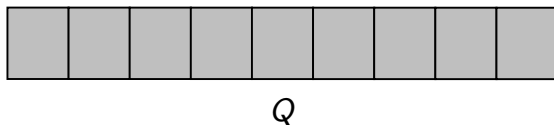
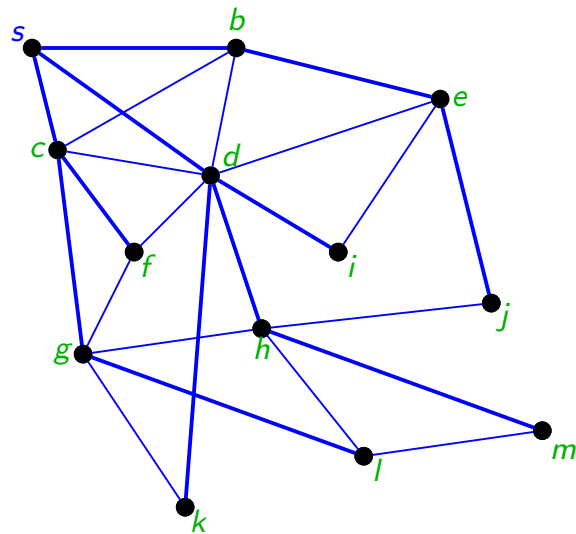
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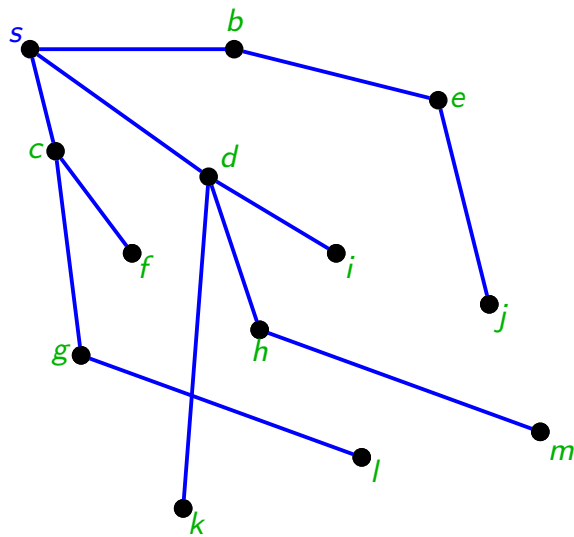
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BFS Tree

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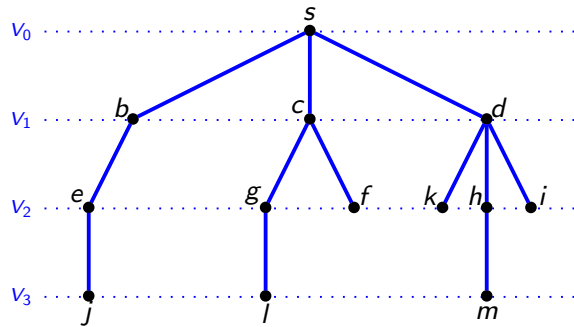
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while ( $Q \neq \emptyset$ ) {  
     $u \leftarrow DEQUEUE(Q)$ ;  
    for each  $v \in Adj[u]$  {  
        if ( $color[v] = white$ ) {  
             $color[v] \leftarrow GRAY$ ;  
             $d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + 1$ ;  
             $\pi[v] \leftarrow u$ ;  
            ENQUEUE( $Q, v$ ); } }  
     $color[u] \leftarrow BLACK$ ; }
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End

BFS Tree



Note:

- BFS partitions the vertices according to their distance from s .
- A vertex at level i can not have any neighbor from level $i - 2$ or higher.

Correctness of BFS Tree

After BFS has been run from a source s on a graph G , the following lemma shows that the predecessor subgraph is a breadth-first tree.

Lemma

When applied to a directed or undirected graph $G = (V, E)$, procedure BFS constructs π so that the predecessor subgraph $G_\pi = (V_\pi, E_\pi)$ is a breadth-first tree.

Determine if a Graph is *Bipartite*

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A complete subgraph H of a graph G is called a **clique** of G .

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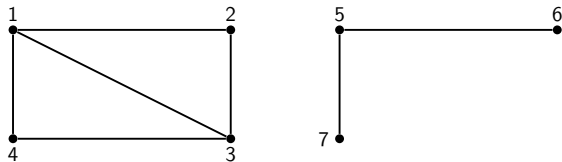
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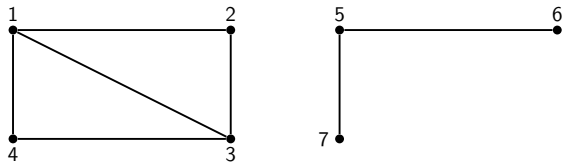
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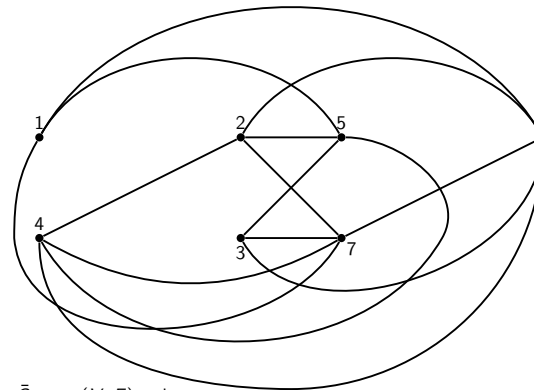
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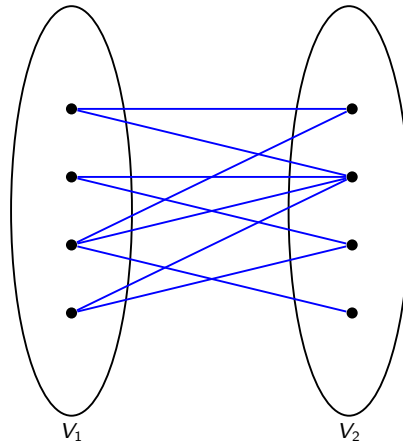


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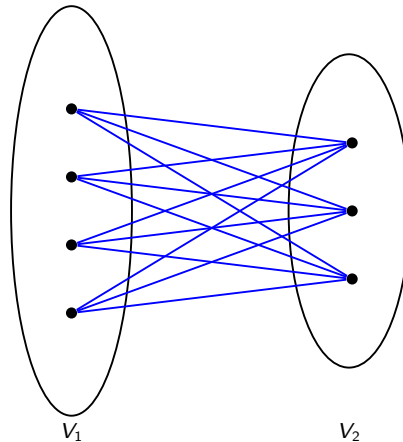


Definition (Bipartite Graph)

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph. It is said to be **bipartite** or **bigraph** if $V = V_1 \cup V_2$, where $V_1, V_2 \neq \emptyset$ and $V_1 \cap V_2 = \emptyset$, s.t., V_1 and V_2 are independent sets of G and any $e \in E$ is incident on a vertex in V_1 and a vertex in V_2 .

A bigraph graph is usually written as $G = (V_1, V_2, E)$.

Complete Bipartite Graph



Complete Bipartite Graph $K_{4,3}$

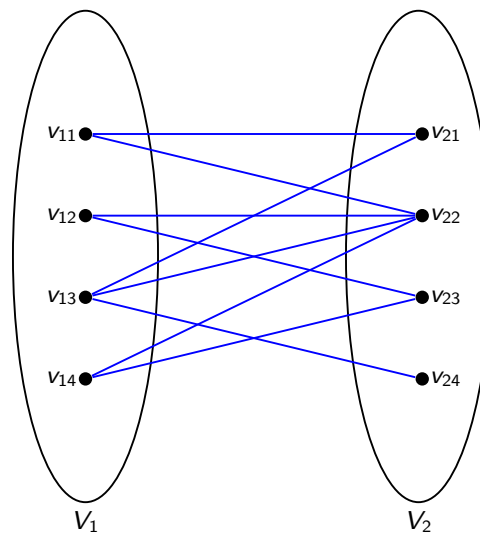
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Let $|V_1| = m$ and $|V_2| = n$, then a complete bipartite graph is denoted as $K_{m,n}$.

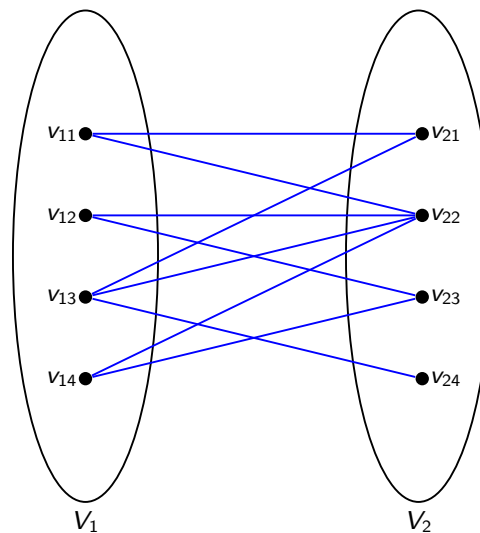
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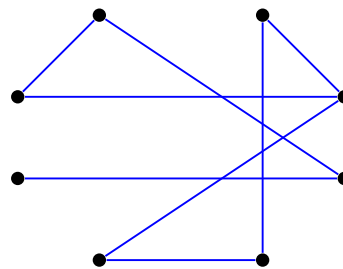
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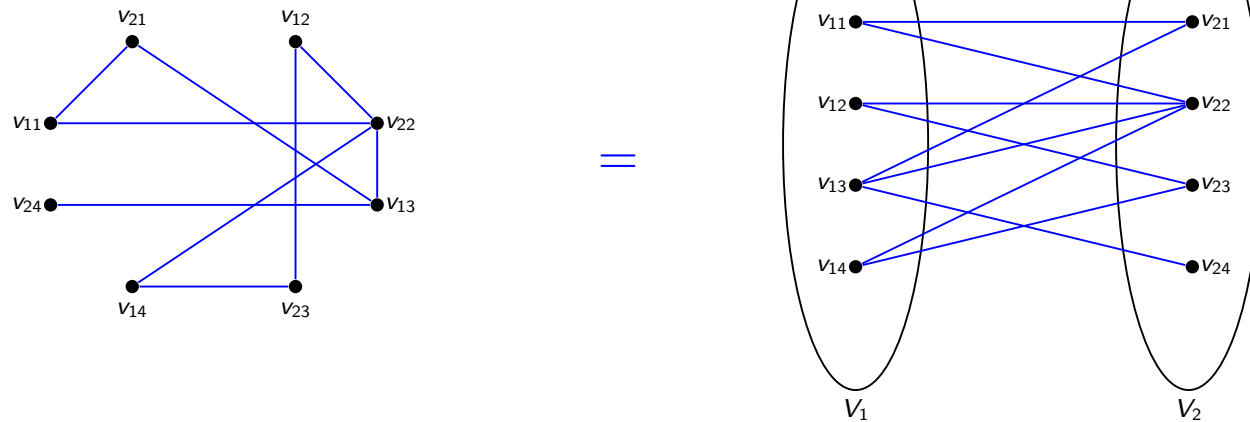
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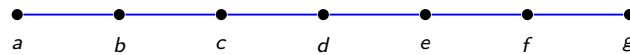
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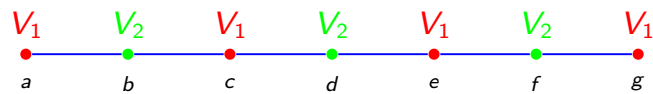
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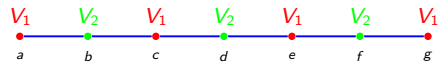
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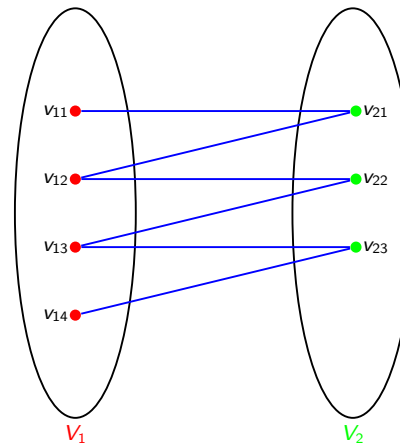
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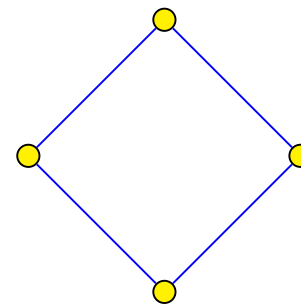
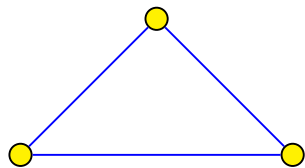
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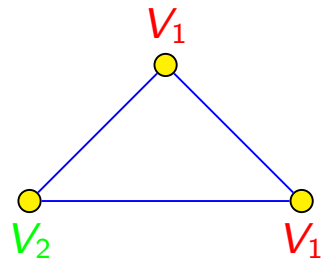
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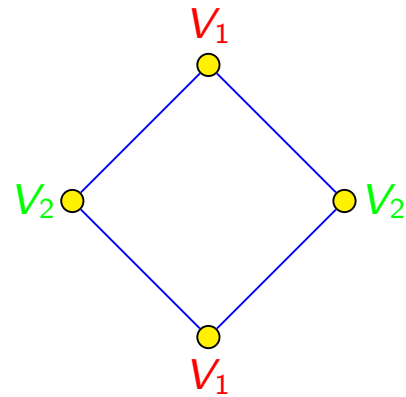


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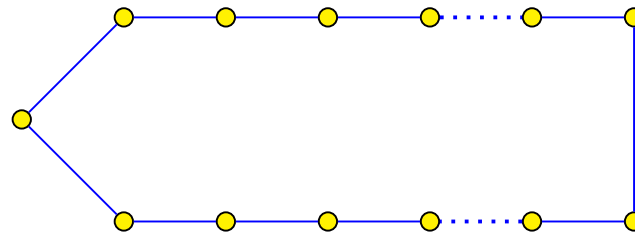


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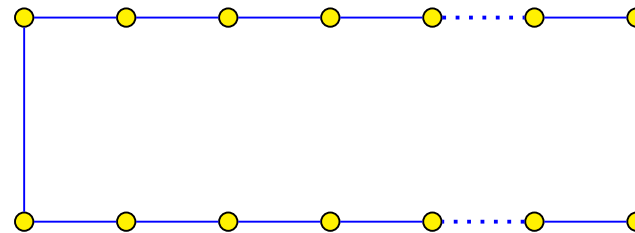
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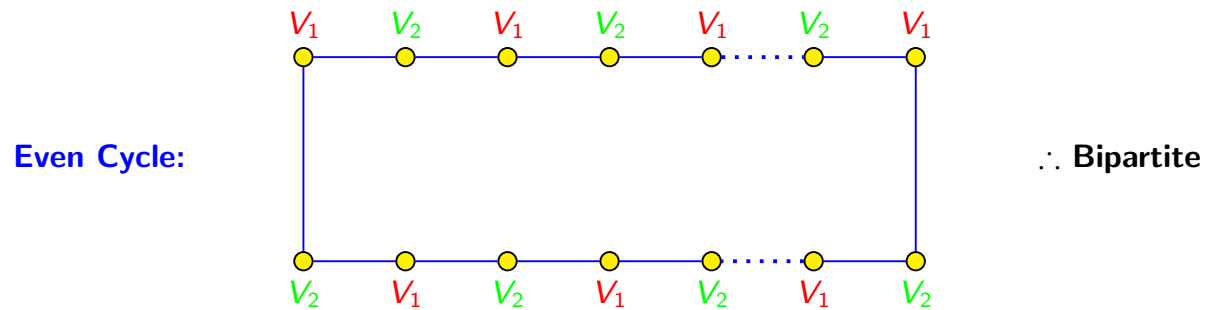
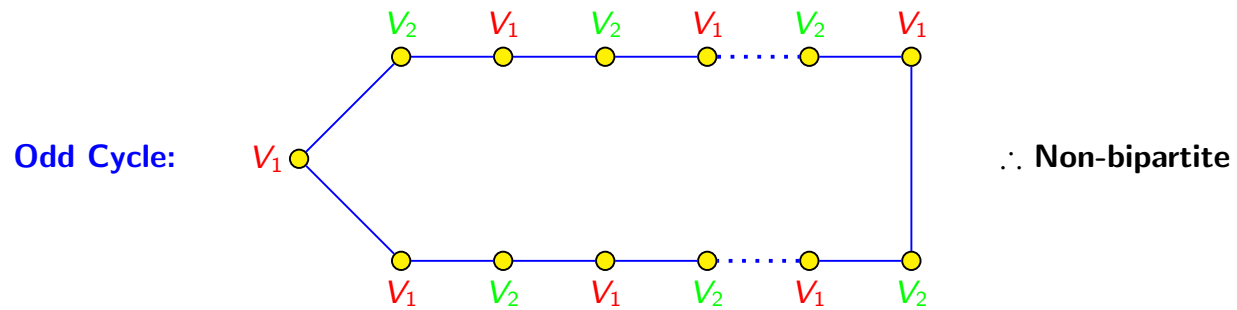


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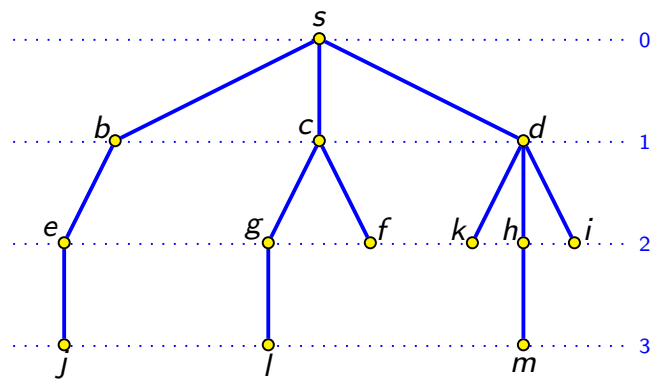
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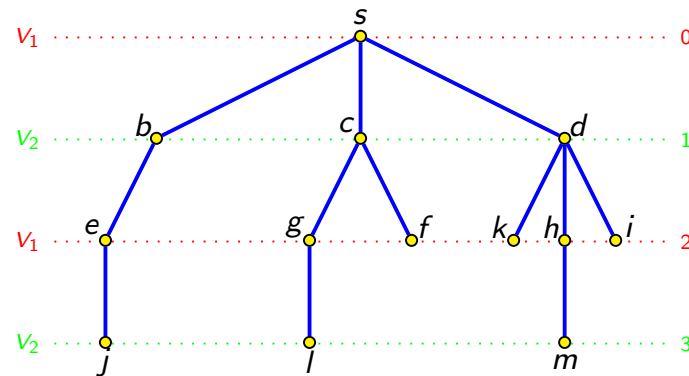
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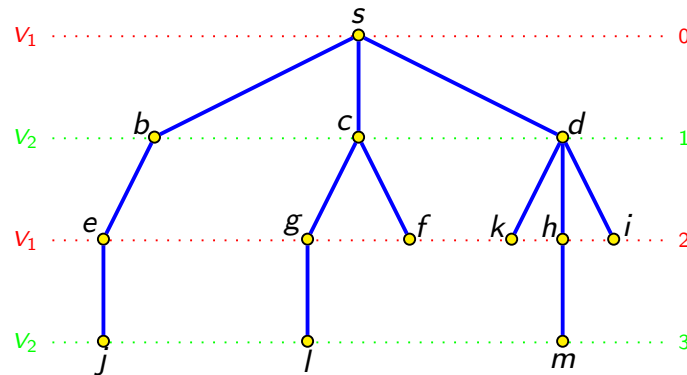
Answer: Yes.

- Even level vertices: V_1
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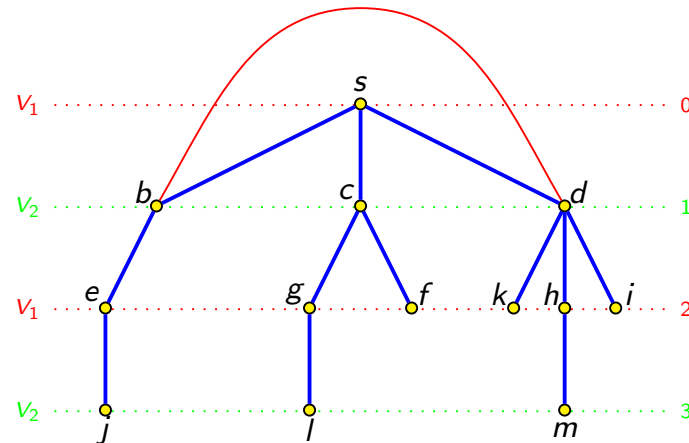
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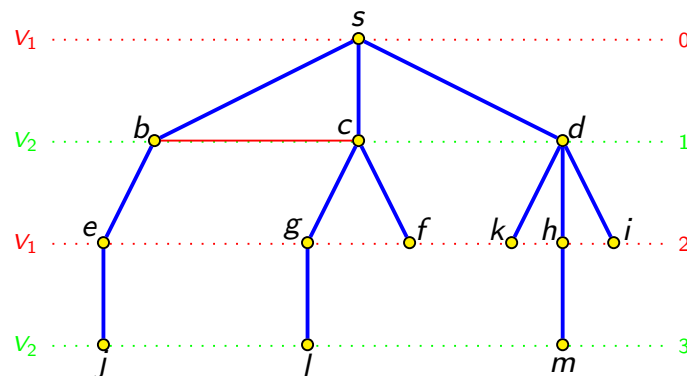
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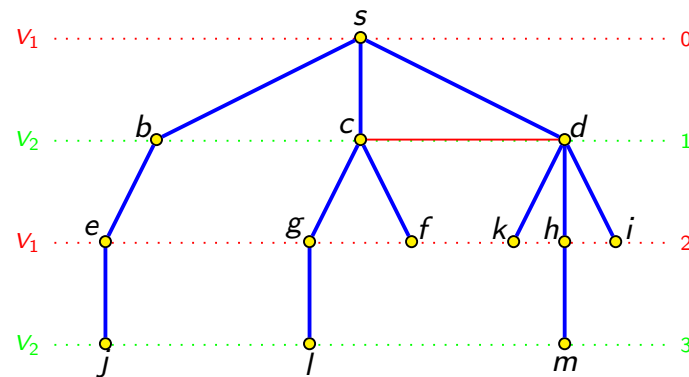
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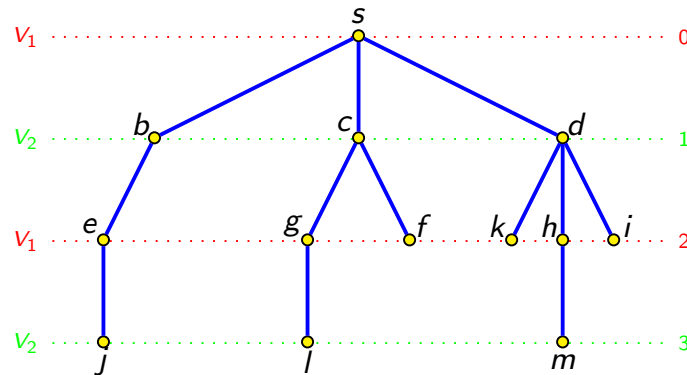
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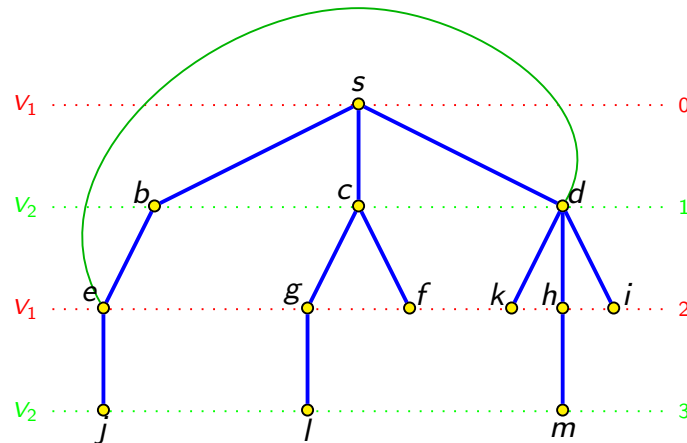
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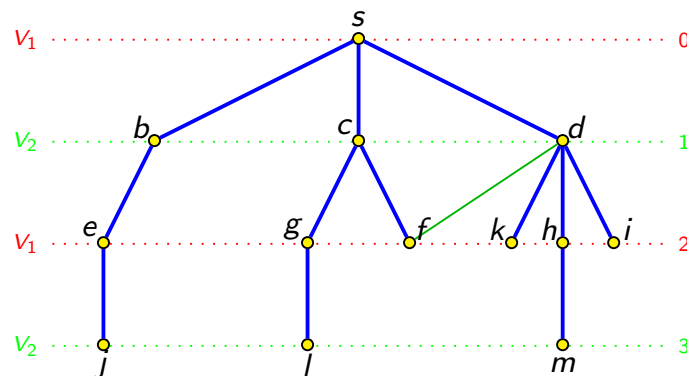
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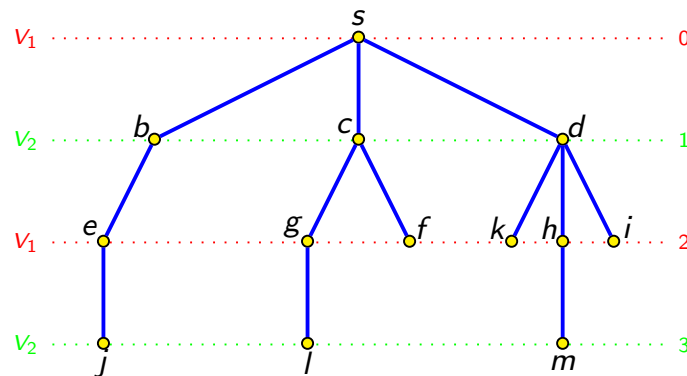
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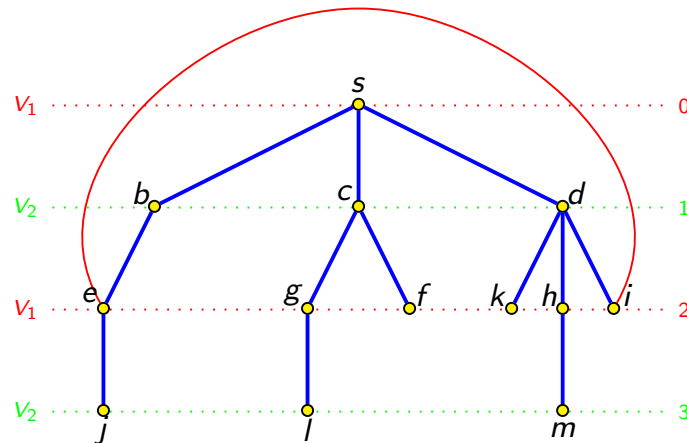
- **Observation:** If there is a non-tree edge that connects **two consecutive levels** of a BFS tree, then this edge creates an even cycle. In this case the graph **may be Bipartite**.

$$E_{\text{Even}} = \{\{f, c\}, \{c, s\}, \{s, d\}, \{d, f\}\}$$

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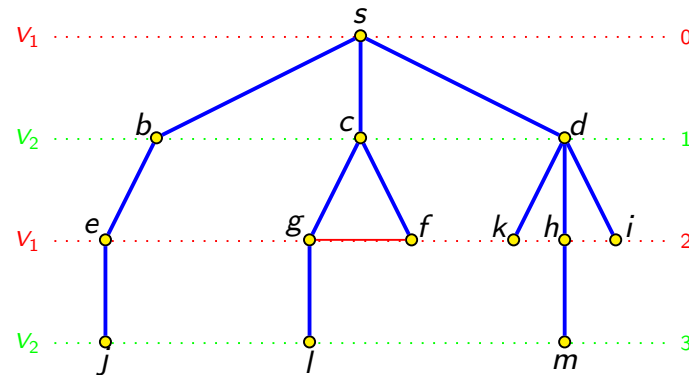
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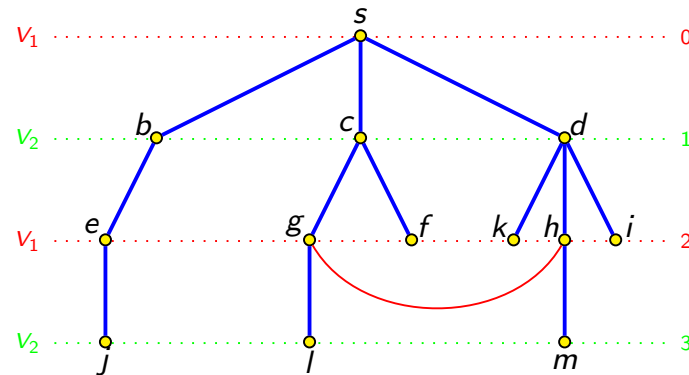
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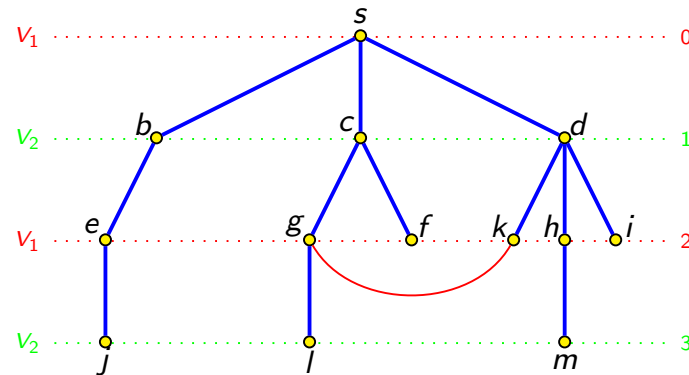
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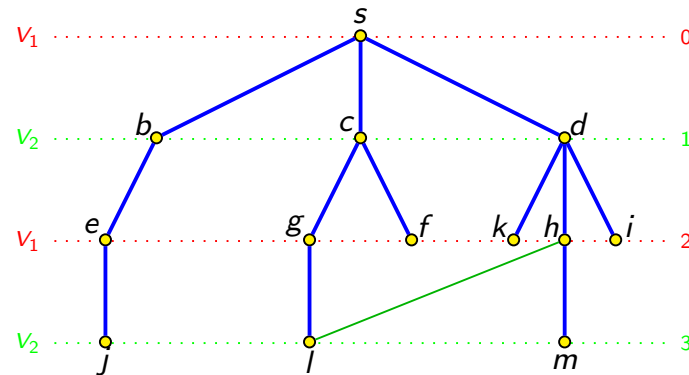
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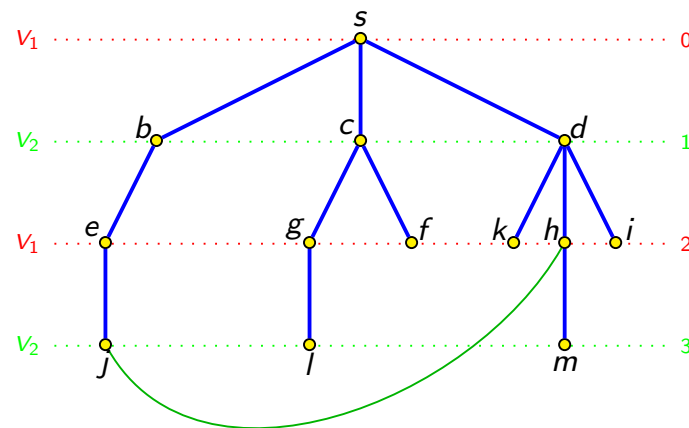
- $\{h, l\}$: Creates an even cycle!
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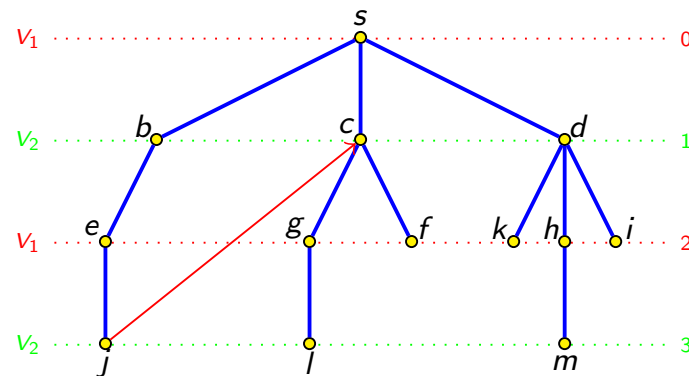
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Note: For **undirected graphs** the difference between levels can be **at most 1**.

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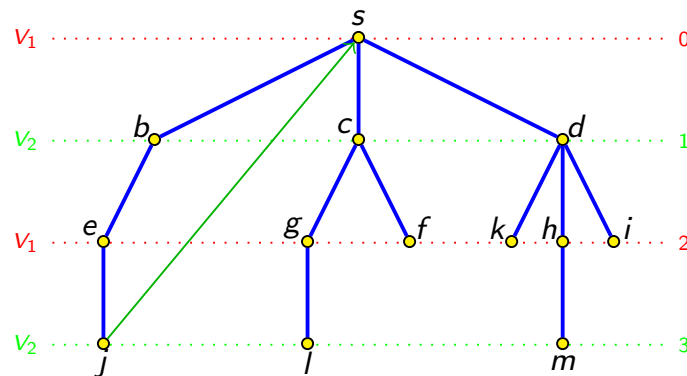
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Cost Analysis

- **BFS Algorithm:** $\mathcal{O}(|V| + |E|)$.
- **Scanning non-tree edges:** $\mathcal{O}(|E| - (|V| - 1)) = \mathcal{O}(|E|)$.

Note: Checking of non-tree edges can be done in a constant time by checking *d-values* of its corresponding vertices.

- **Total Complexity:** $\mathcal{O}(|V| + |E|) + \mathcal{O}(|E|) = \mathcal{O}(|V| + |E|)$.

Books and Other Materials Consulted

- ① [Definitions](#) taken from Discrete Mathematics Lecture Notes (M. Tech (CS), Monsoon Semester, 2007) taught by [Prof. Palash Sarkar](#) (ASU, ISI Kolkata).
- ② [Bipartite checking algorithm](#) from [Prof. Surendar Baswana](#) (CSE, IIT Kanpur) [lecture slides](#).

Thank You for your kind attention!

Questions!!