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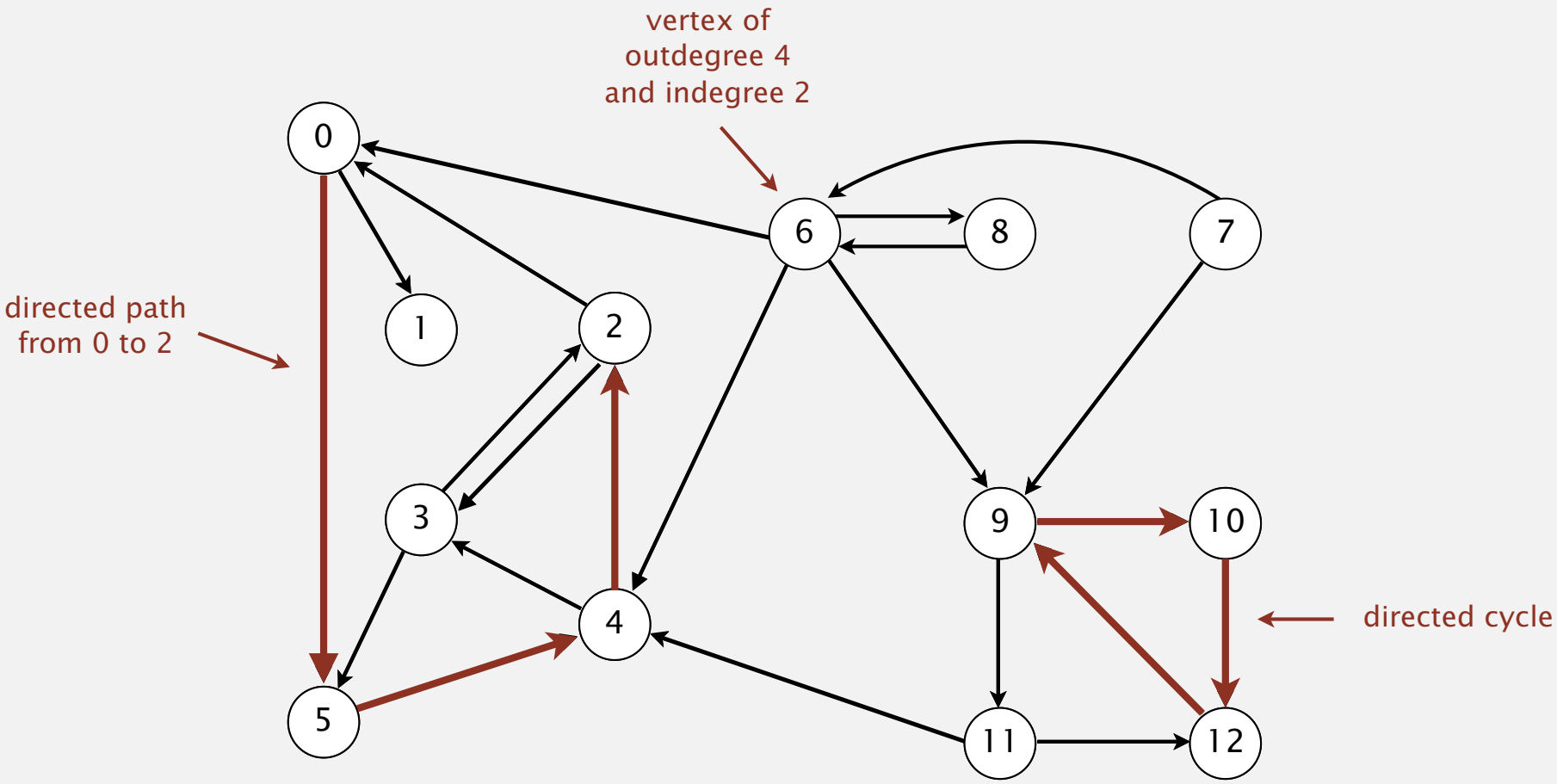
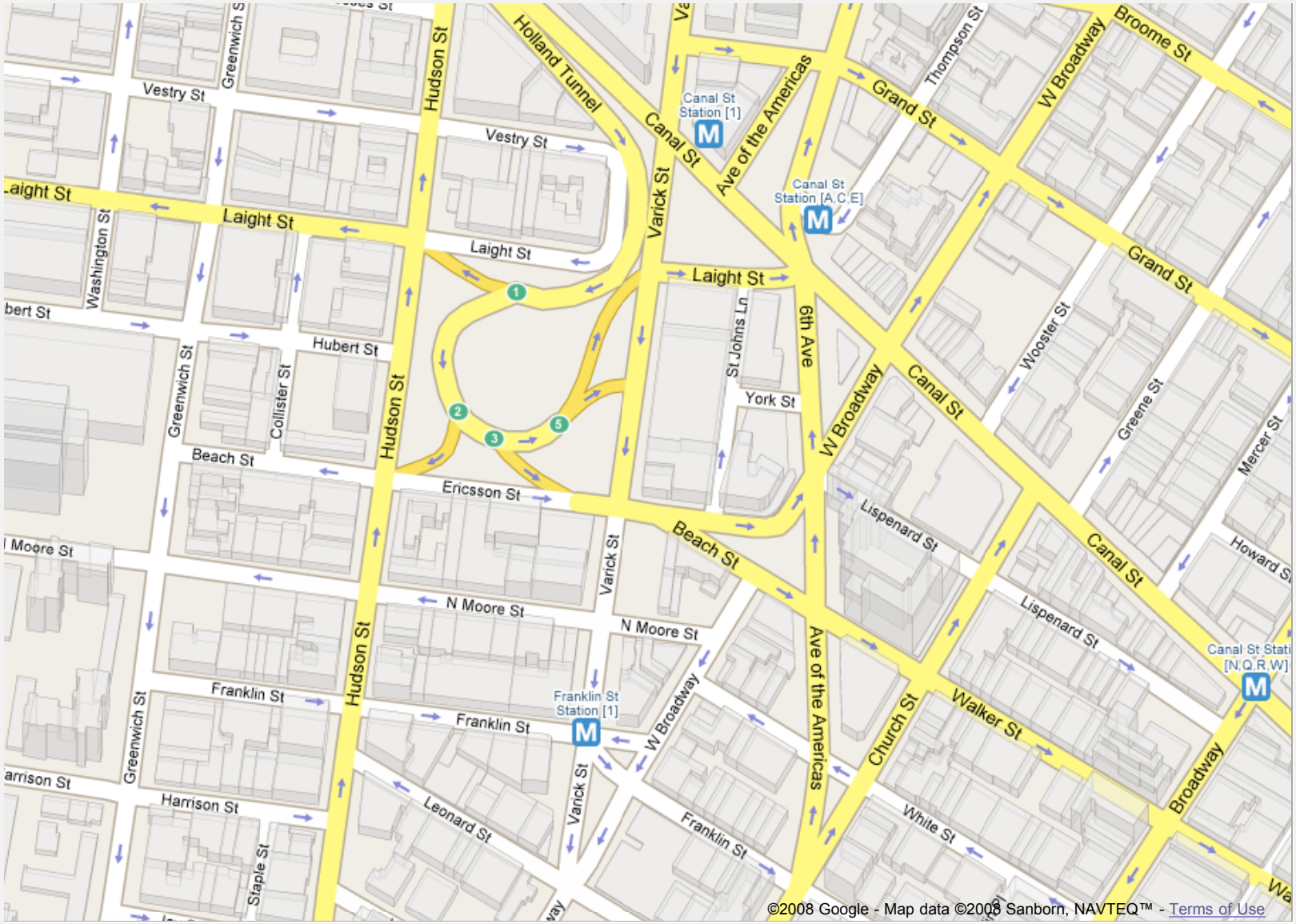
Directed graphs

Digraph. Set of vertices connected pairwise by directed edges.



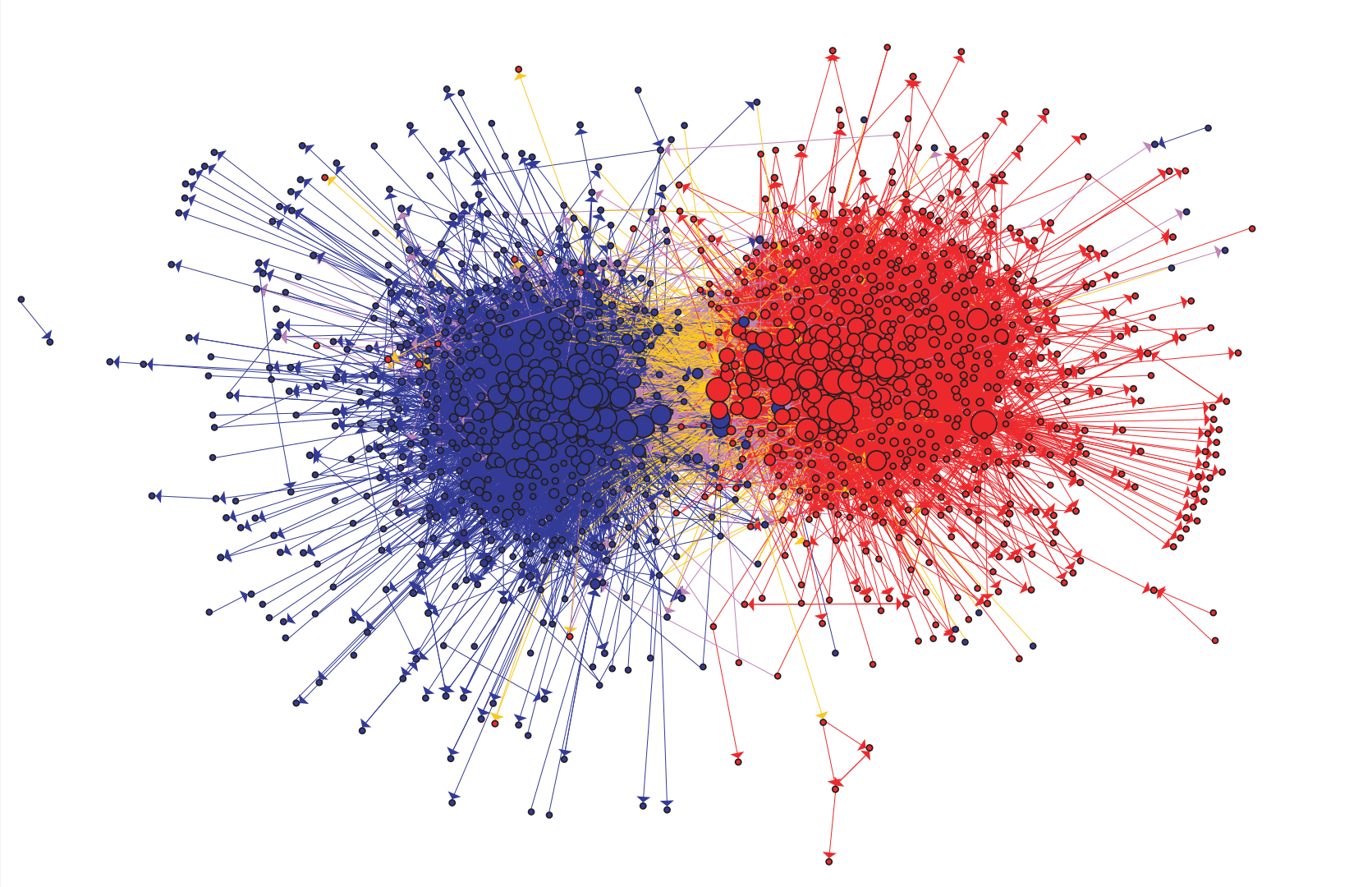
Road network

Vertex = intersection; edge = one-way street.



Political blogosphere graph

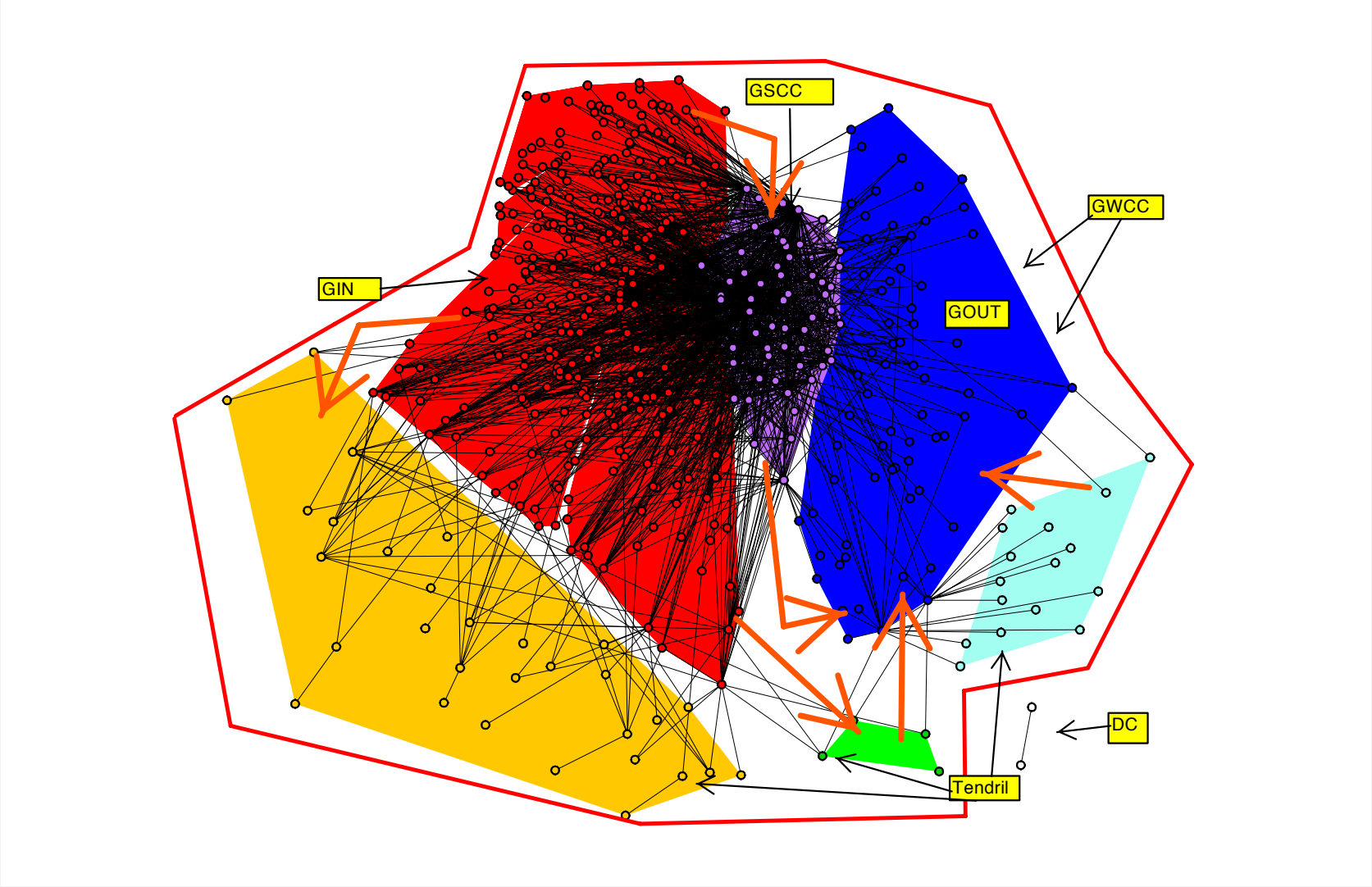
Vertex = political blog; edge = link.



The Political Blogosphere and the 2004 U.S. Election: Divided They Blog, Adamic and Glance, 2005

Overnight interbank loan graph

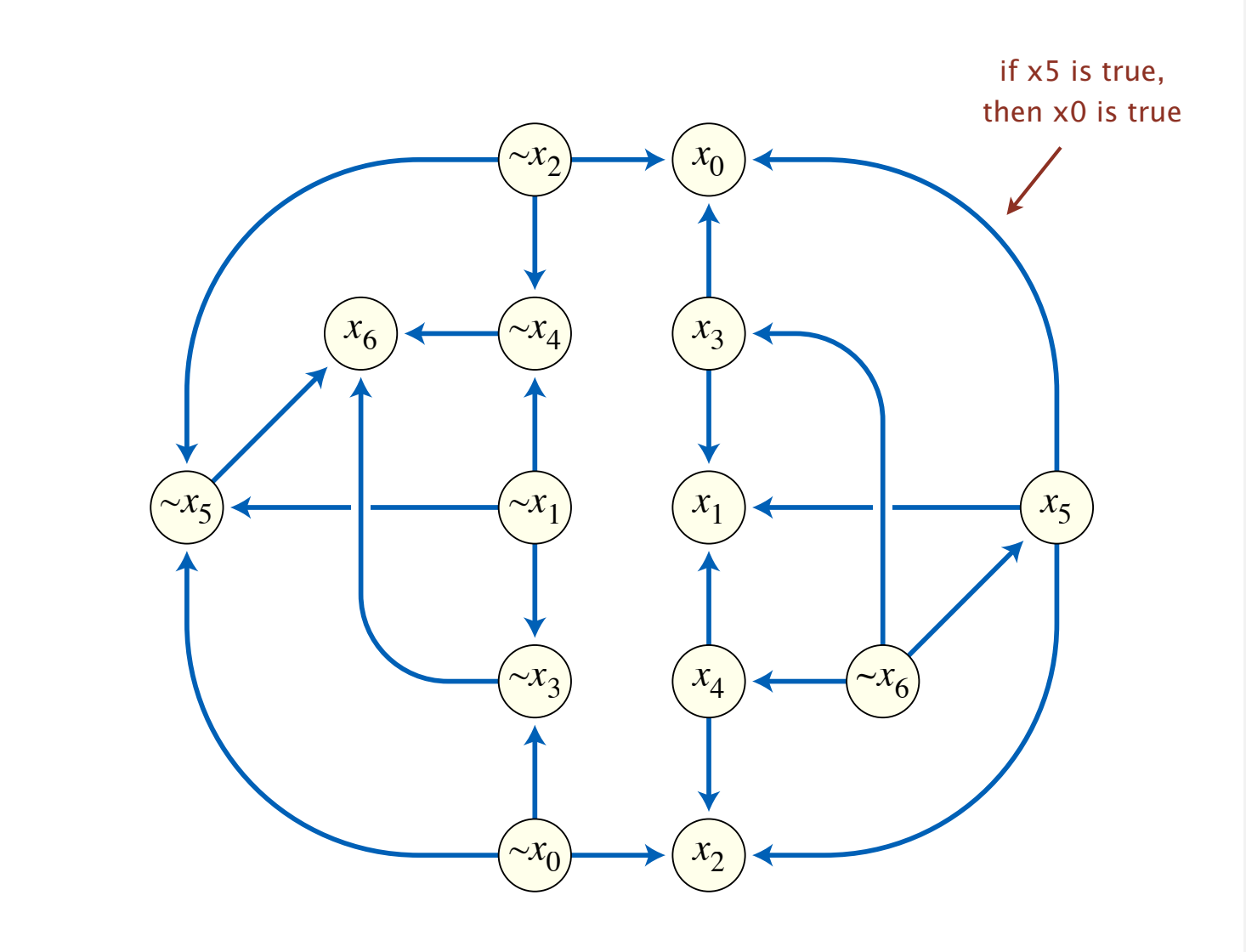
Vertex = bank; edge = overnight loan.



The Topology of the Federal Funds Market, Bech and Atalay, 2008

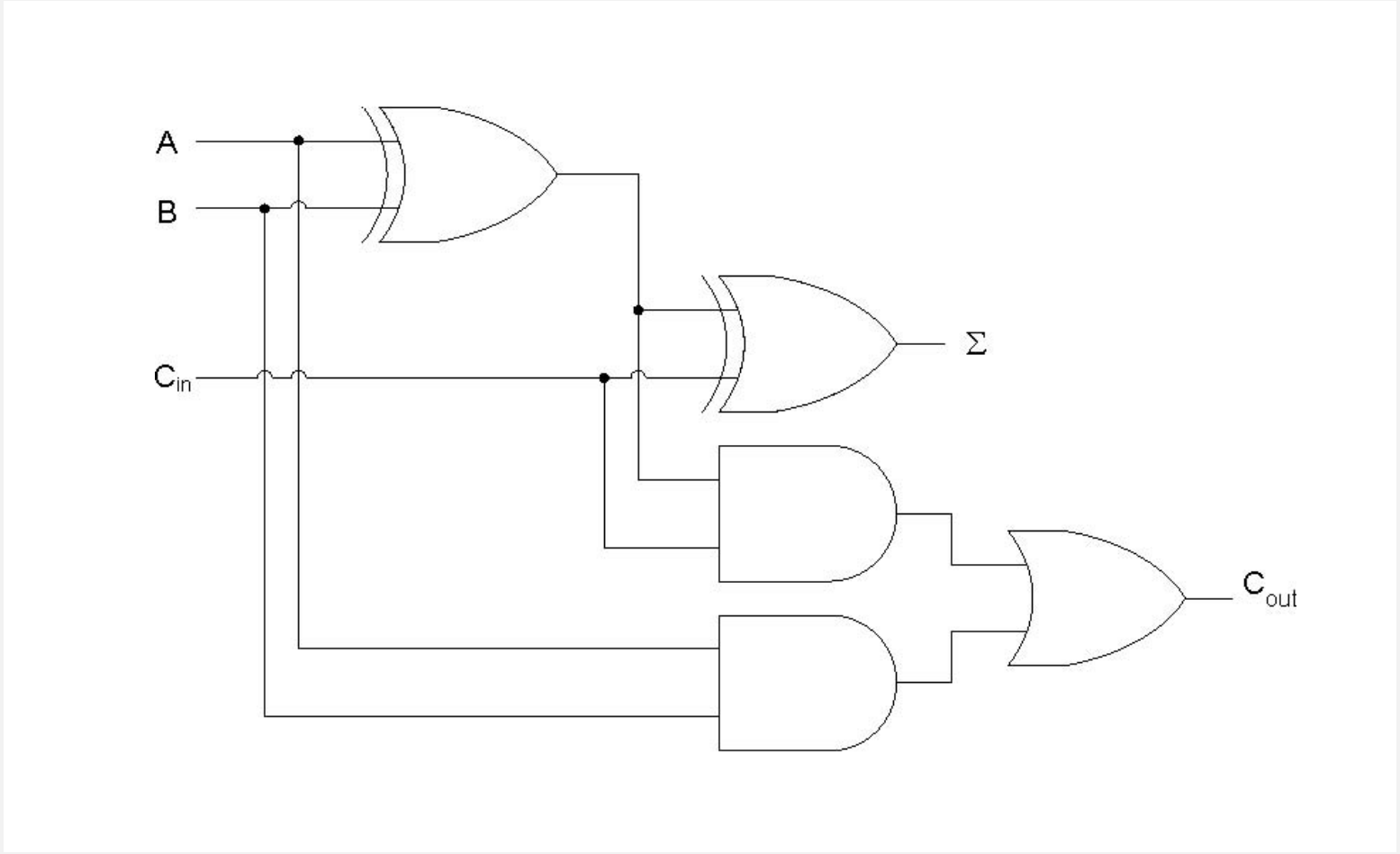
Implication graph

Vertex = variable; edge = logical implication.



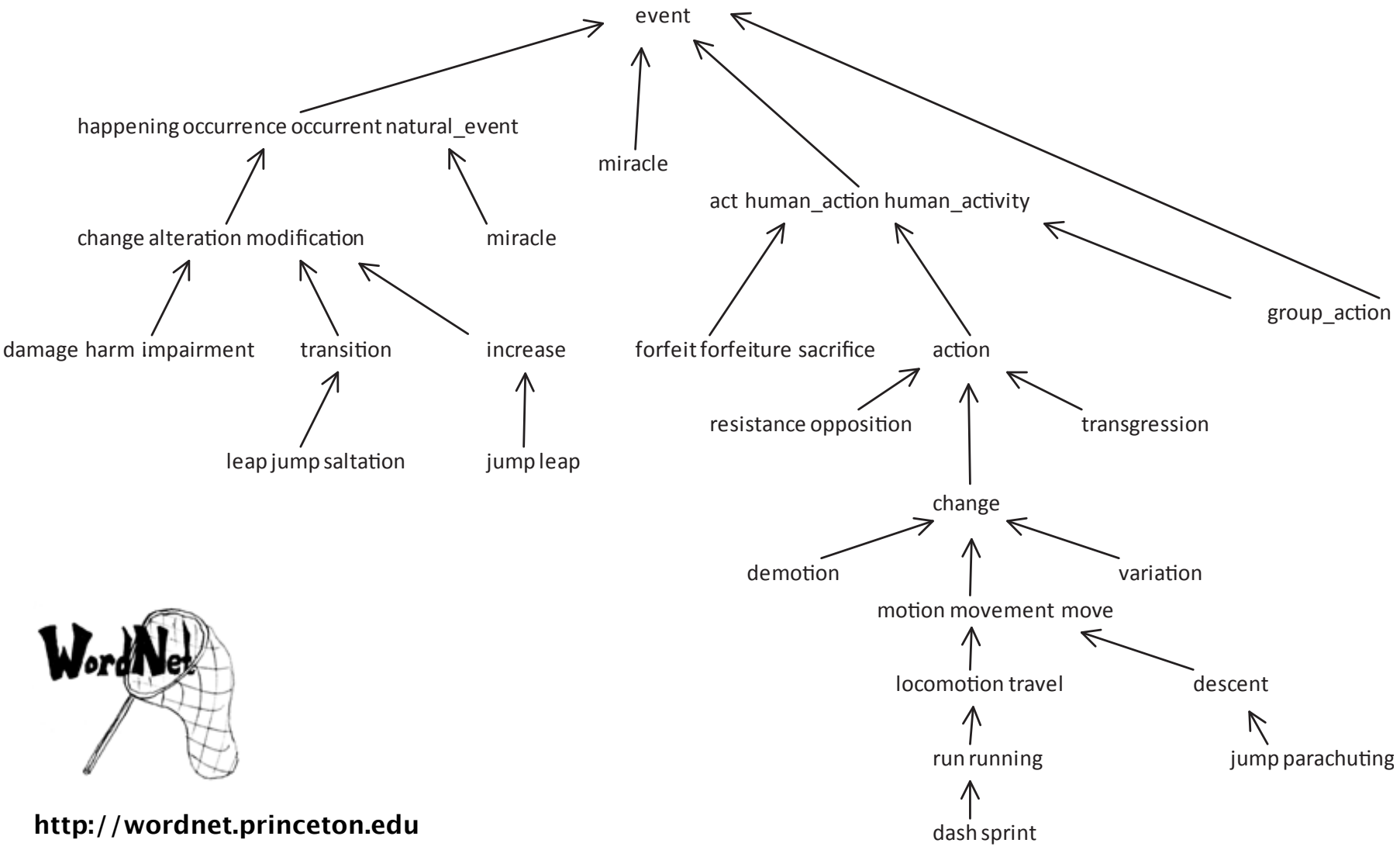
Combinational circuit

Vertex = logical gate; edge = wire.



WordNet graph

Vertex = synset; edge = hypernym relationship.



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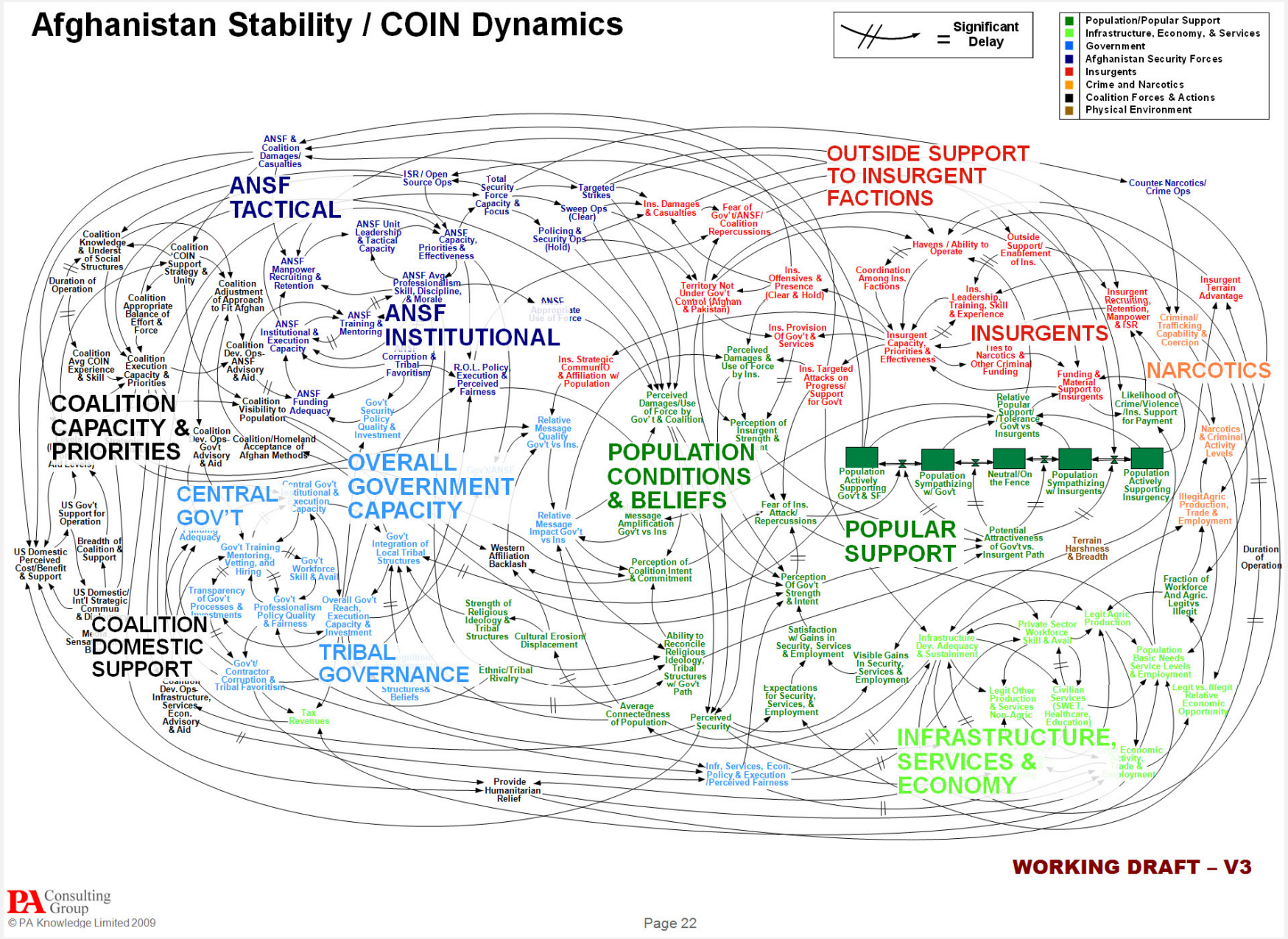
The McChrystal Afghanistan PowerPoint slide



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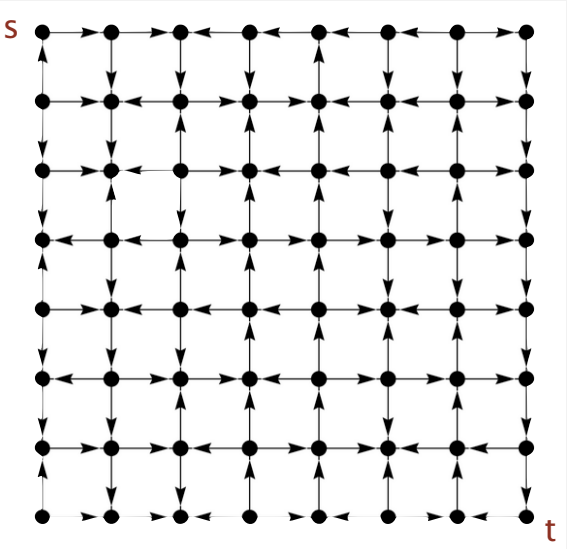
Digraph applications

digraph	vertex	directed edge
transportation	street intersection	one-way street
web	web page	hyperlink
food web	species	predator-prey relationship
WordNet	synset	hypernym
scheduling	task	precedence constraint
financial	bank	transaction
cell phone	person	placed call
infectious disease	person	infection
game	board position	legal move
citation	journal article	citation
object graph	object	pointer
inheritance hierarchy	class	inherits from
control flow	code block	jump

Some digraph problems

Path. Is there a directed path from s to t?



Shortest path. What is the shortest directed path from s to t?

Topological sort. Can you draw a digraph so that all edges point upwards?

Strong connectivity. Is there a directed path between all pairs of vertices?

Transitive closure. For which vertices v and w is there a path from v to w?

PageRank. What is the importance of a web page?

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