GRAPH Interview Problems

SANKETD

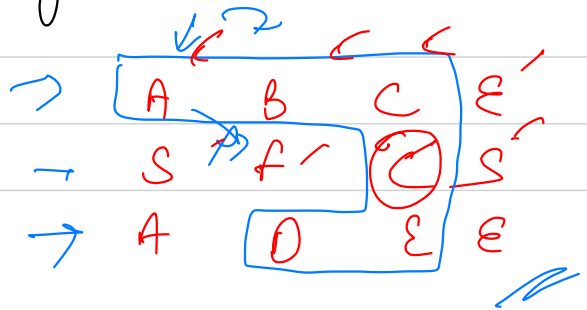
↳ Agenda → Diverse problem solving experience of graphs
→ Problems relevant for SDE1 - 2

Pre-requisite → Basic knowledge of graph
→ Basic knowledge of Recursion
→ few OS, queue, OOPs etc

Easy-Med

Q→ You have been given a grid of characters. Also you have a word given.

Check if the word exists in the grid, in the grid we can construct the word by taking any adjacent non diagonal cell. The same letter from the grid should not be used twice.



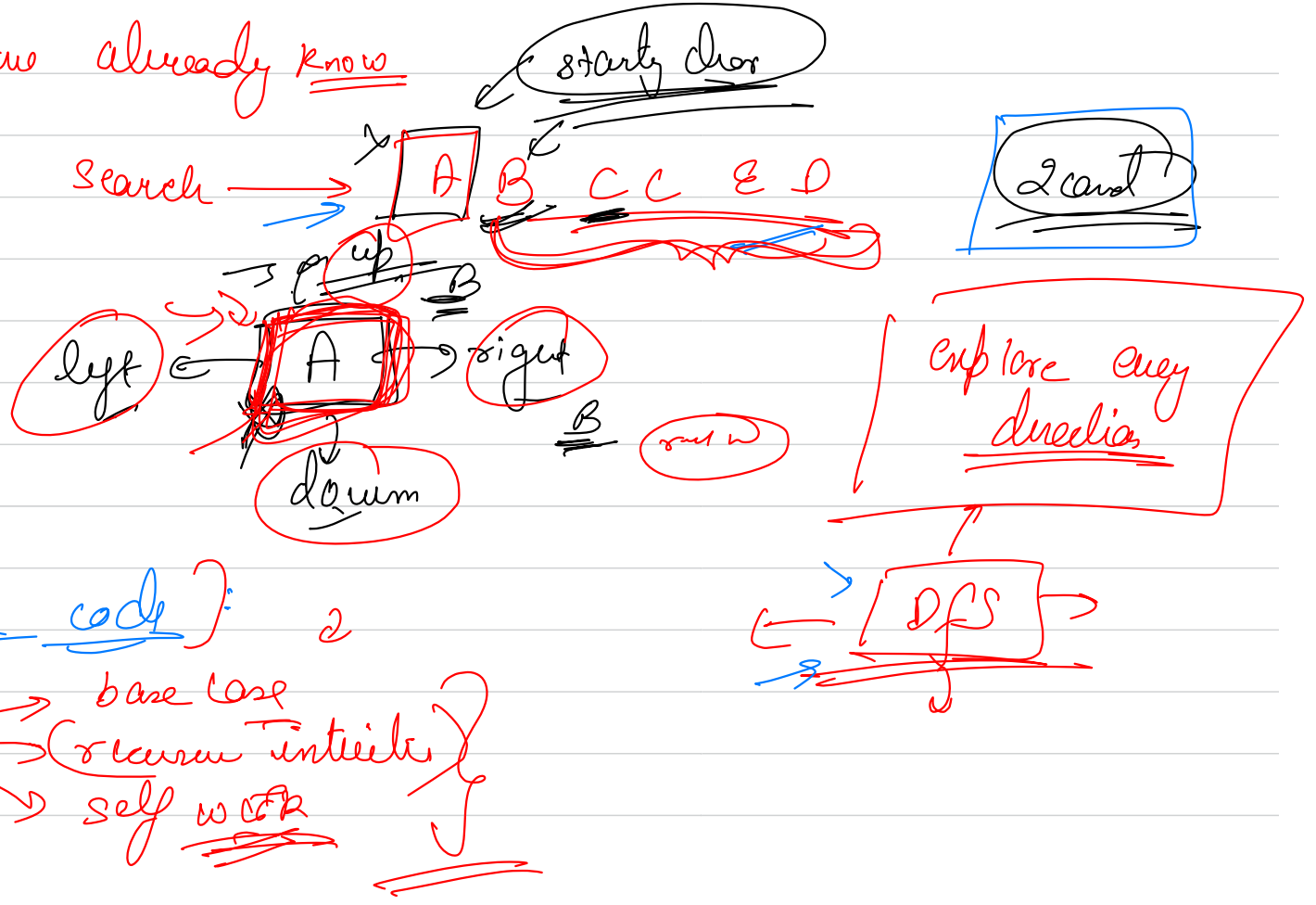
$(n \times m) \leq 2 \times 10^2$

$word \leq 10^3$

Search → ABCCED

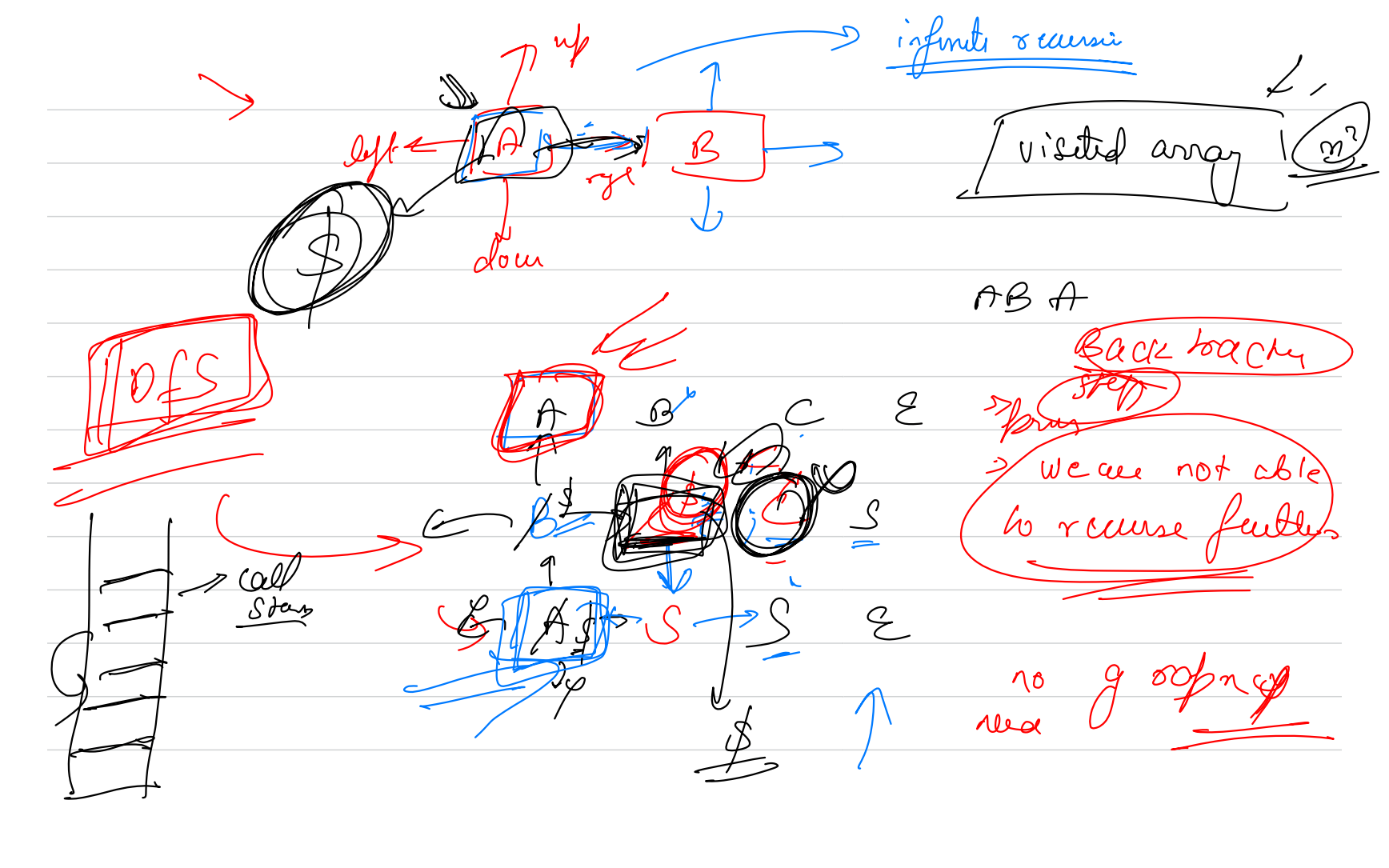
Found

What we already know



Recursive code :

3) base case
recursive intuition
self work


up
infinite recursion
left
A
right
B
down
visited array
n²
DFS
ABA
Backtracking
Step
Prog
We are not able to recurse further
A
B
C
E
S
call Stack
no progress

Space Complexity → O(len(word))

call stack

recursion

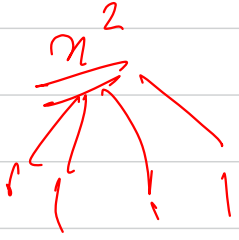
Time Complexity

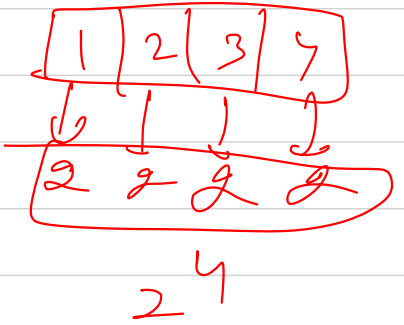
sum first char

$O(n^2 \cdot 3)$

loose bound

Tight bound

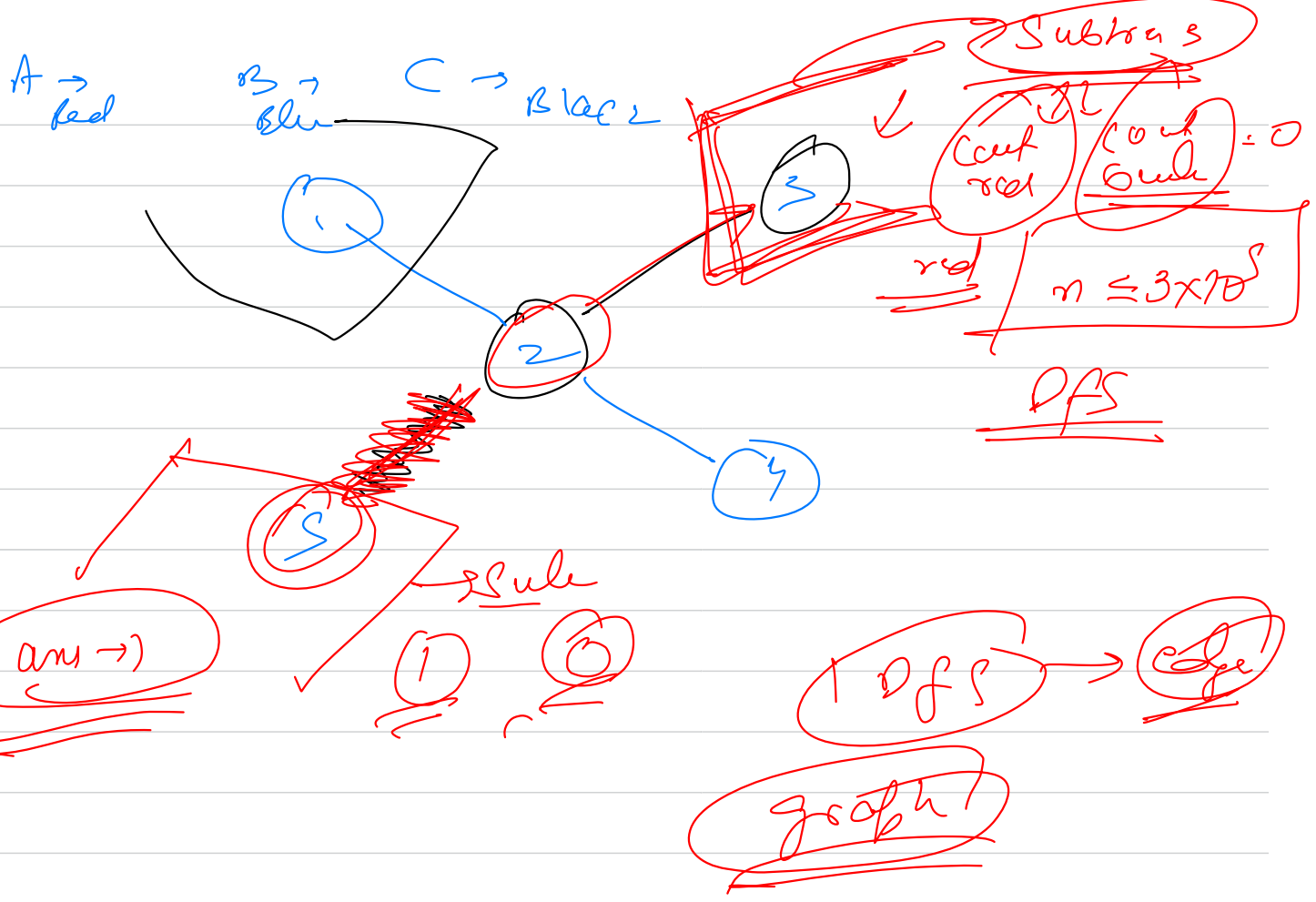


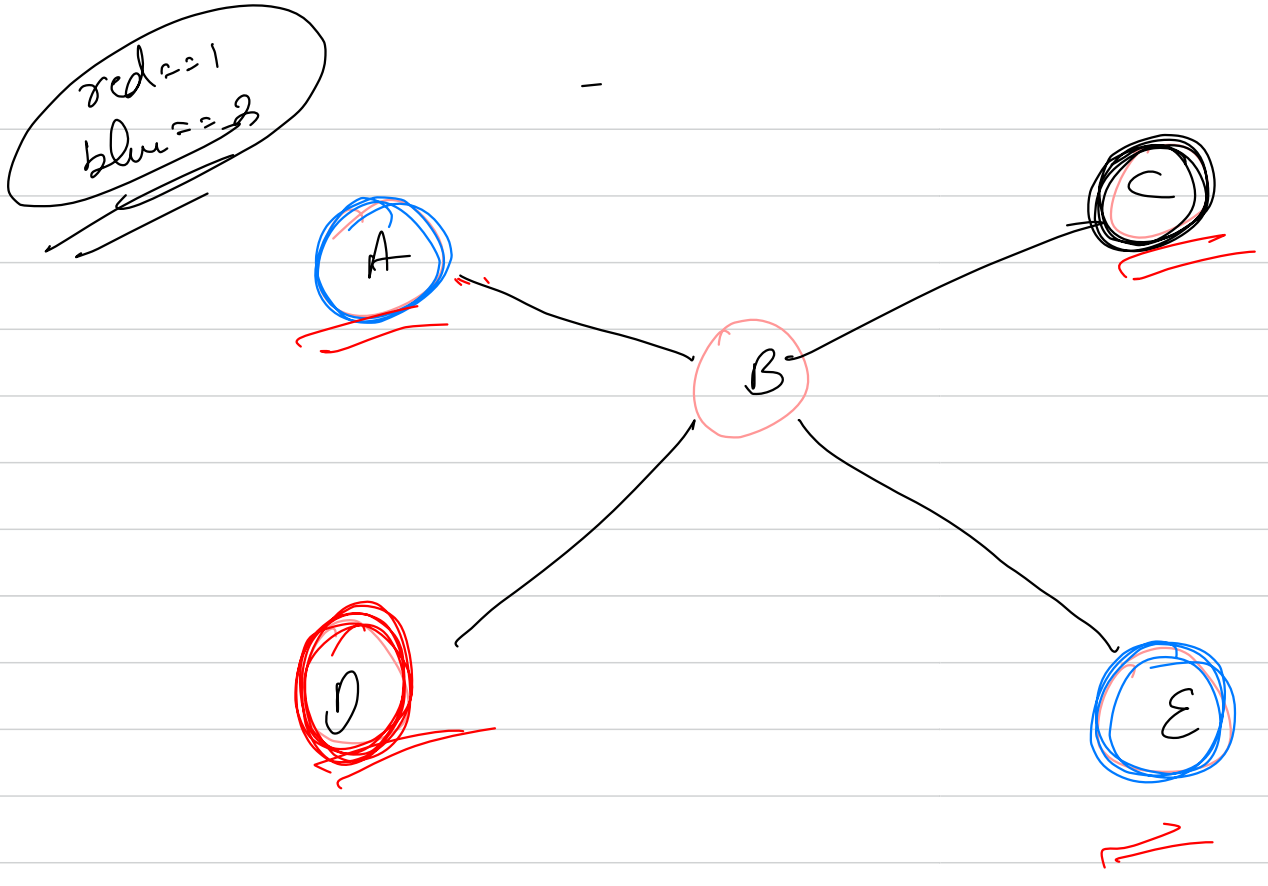


2^4

Hard

Q. You have an undirected tree of n nodes. Some Nodes have color 'A', some have color 'B' some have color 'C'. It is sure that node for color A & B are present. Find the no. of edges you can remove such that removing one edge divides the tree in 2 components where in one component no node have color 'A' & in one component no node have a color 'B'.

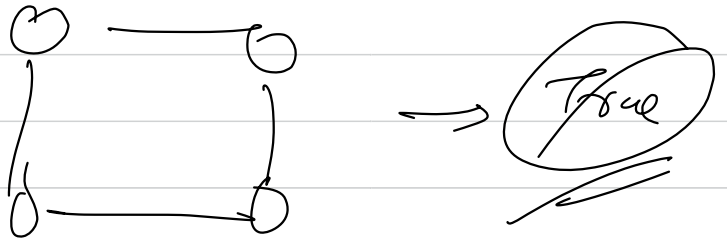

A → Red
B → Blue
C → Black
1
2
3
4
5
Subtree
Count red
Count blue
= 0
red
n ≤ 3×10^5
DFS
any →
1
0
DFS
graph

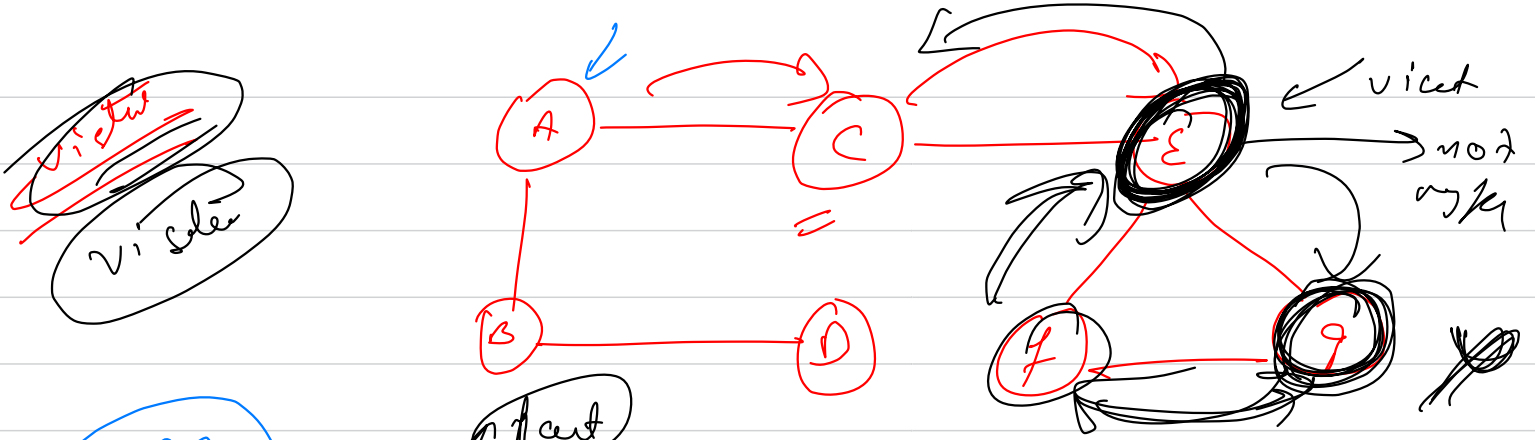

red==1
blue==3
A
B
C
D
E

Q⇒ Given a graph, find if the graph contains cycle or not?

$n \leq 10^5$

$e \leq 10^5$





DFS

(A, -) → (C, A) → (E, C) → (g, E)

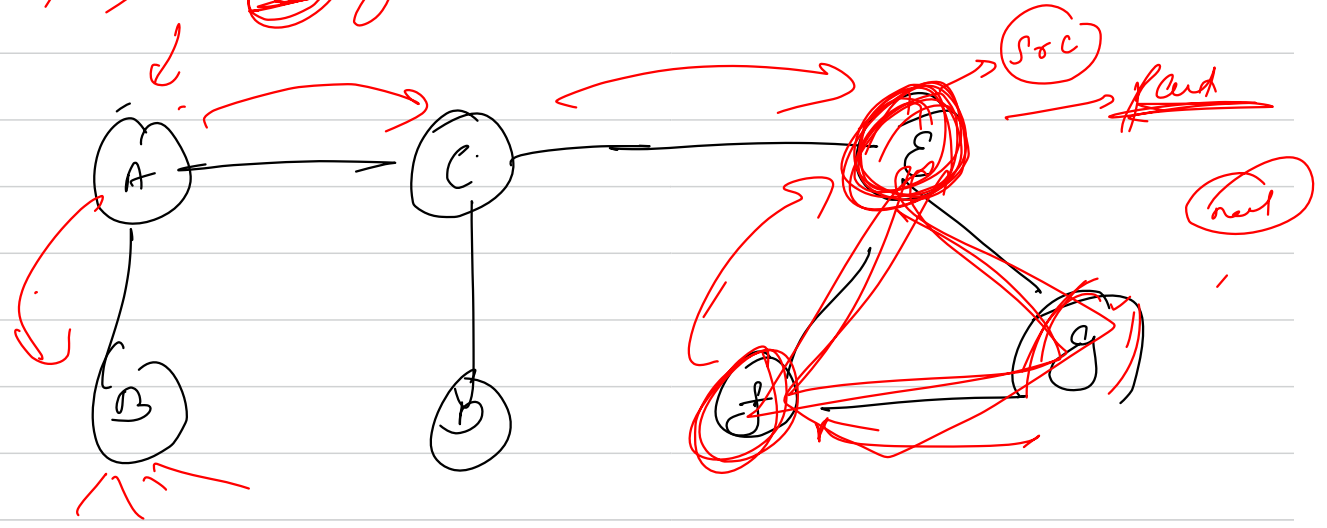
→ (f, g)

DFS keeping a track of my parent & visited node

if you found a visited node which is not my parent of current node, you found a cycle.

visited (A, B, C, E, G, F

cyclic ady list node



(A, -1) → (B, A) → (C, A) → (E, C) → (G, E)

(F, G) →