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## Graphs

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# Graphs – Terms

- **Graph** – a data structure that consists of a set of nodes and a set of edges that relate the nodes to one another;  $G = (V, E)$
- **Vertex** – a node in a graph;  $V(G)$  is a finite, nonempty set of vertices
- **Edge (arc)** – a pair of vertices representing a connection between two nodes in a graph;  $E(G)$  is a set of edges (written as pairs of vertices)
- **Undirected graph** – a graph in which the edges have no direction
- **Directed graph (digraph)** – a graph in which each edge is directed from one vertex to another (or the same) vertex

# Graphs – Terms

- **Adjacent vertices** – two vertices in a graph that connected by an edge
- **Path** – a sequence of vertices that connects two nodes in a graph
- **Complete graph** – a graph in which every vertex is directly connected to every other vertex
- **Weighted graph**– a graph in which each edge carries a value

# Depth-First Search

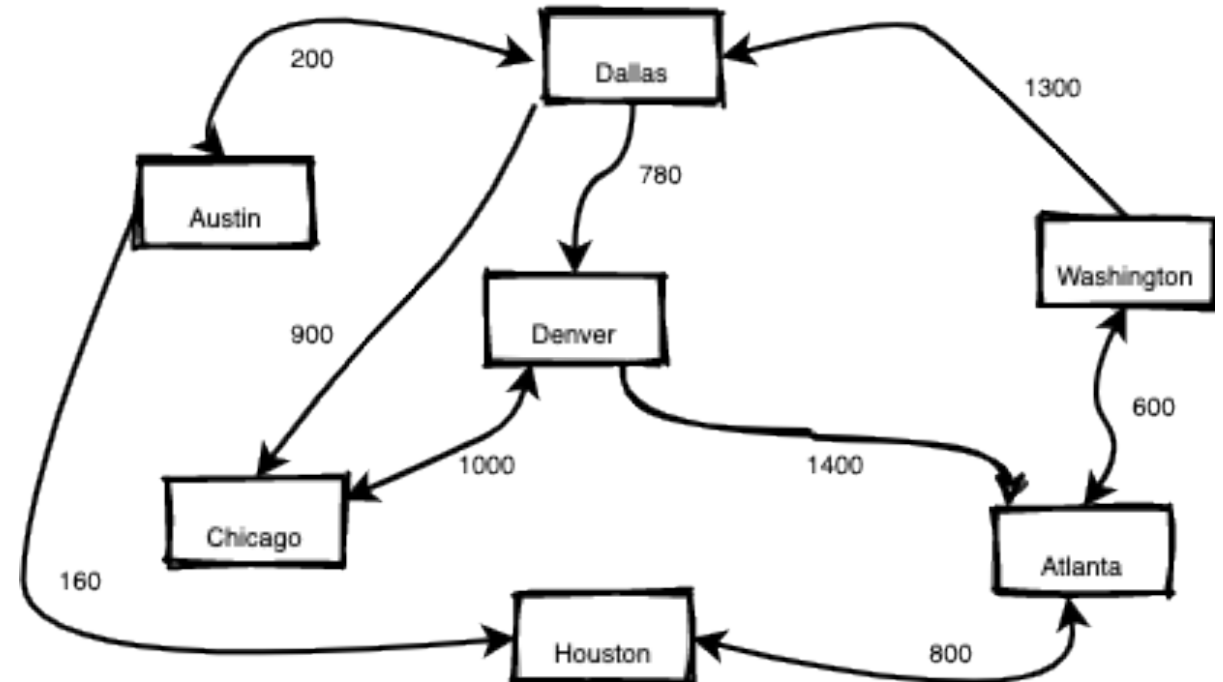
- **Depth-first search** follows a path as far as possible before backtracking
- It is useful in graphs for checking if a path exists between two nodes

# Depth-First Search Algorithm

- Add the nodes adjacent to the start node to the stack
- Pop a node off the stack and examine it
- Add all the nodes adjacent to the popped node to the stack
- Continue until the target node is found or the stack is empty (no more nodes to check)

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4     stack.Pop(vertex)
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7         set found to true
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9         write vertex
10        push all adjacent vertices onto stack
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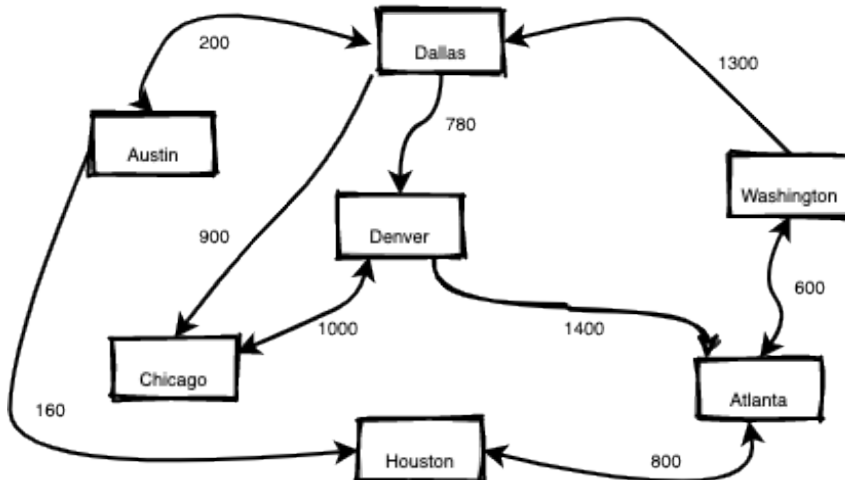
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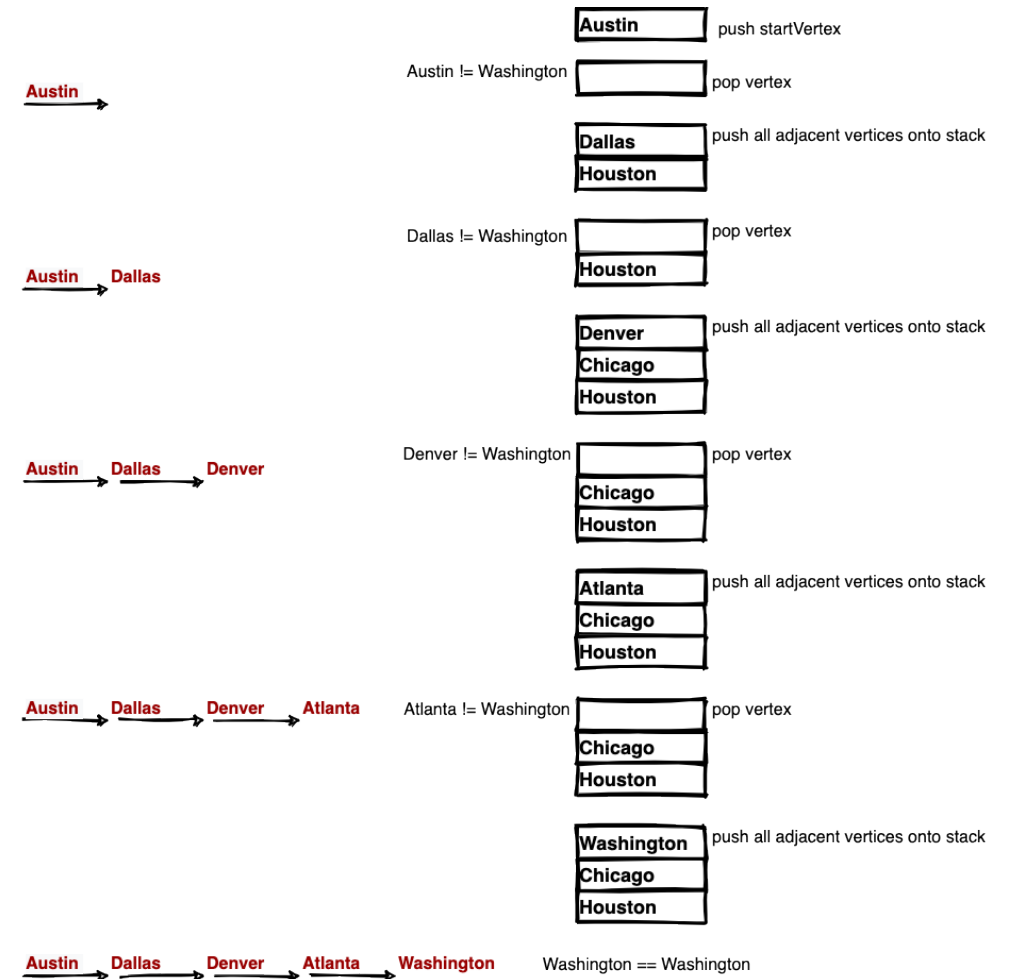
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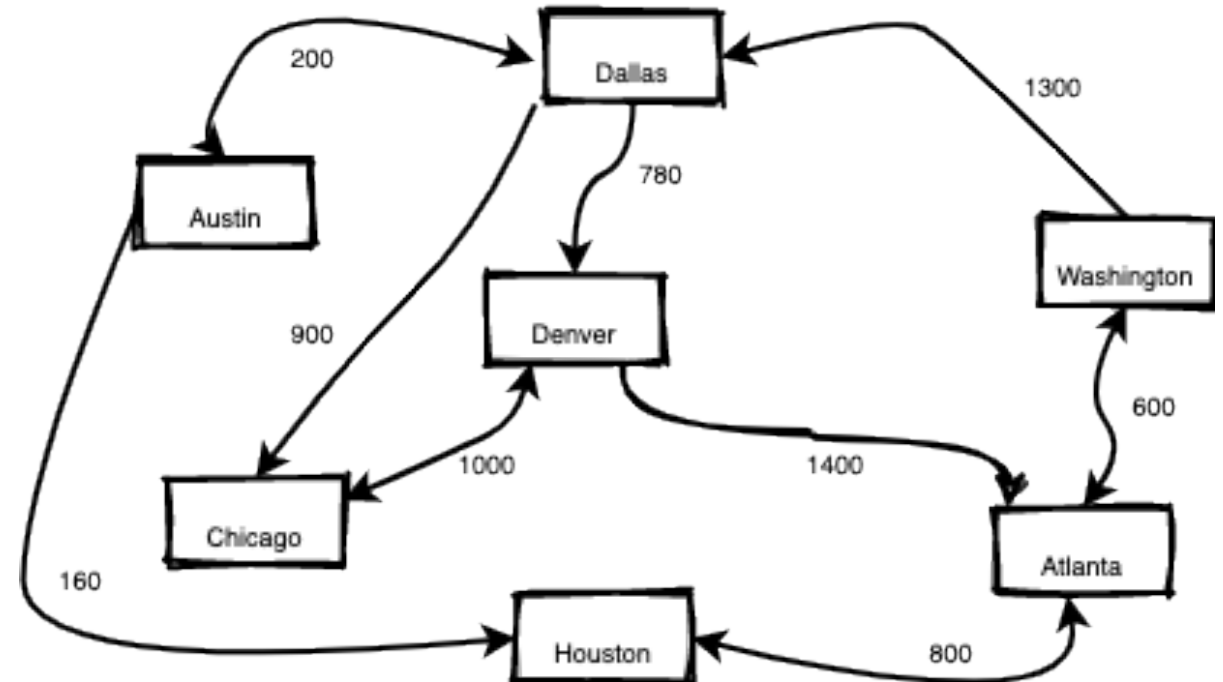
# Breadth-First Search

- **Breadth-first search** examines all possible paths of the same length before going further
- DFS backtracks as little as possible, while BFS backtracks as far as possible
- In a binary tree, BFS would explore all the nodes at a particular level before exploring any nodes on the next level
- BFS uses a queue to keep track of nodes



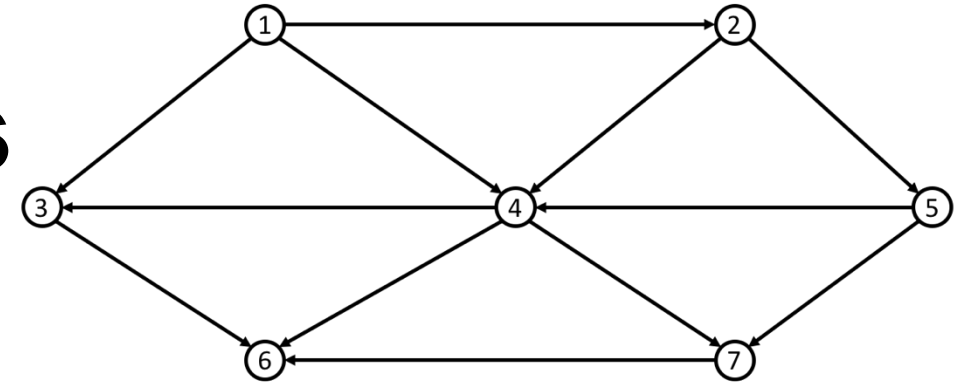
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2 queue.enqueue(startVertex)
3 do
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# Representing Graphs



$u$

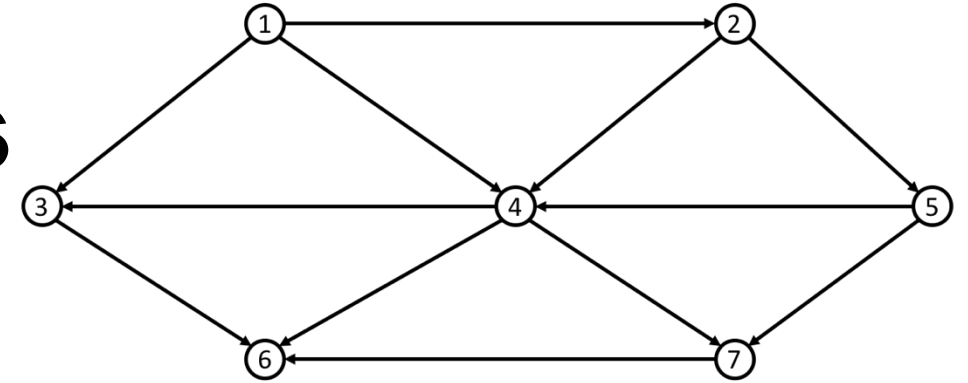
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	T	T	T	T	F	F	F
2	F	T	F	T	T	F	F
3	F	F	T	F	F	T	F
4	F	F	T	T	F	T	T
5	F	F	F	T	T	F	T
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$v$

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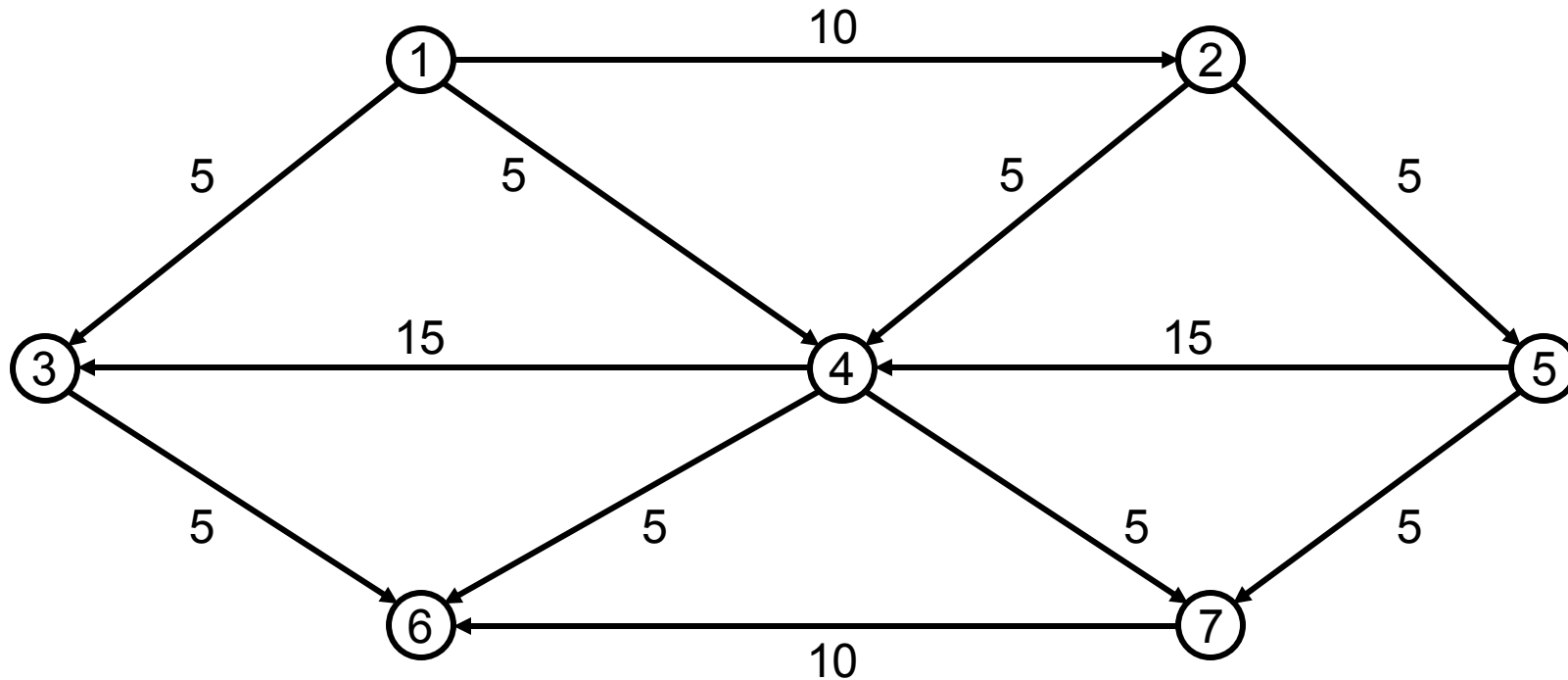
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Put a True(T) for edge and False(F) for no edge, it's a choice on how to handle self-connection. For this class assume every vertex is self connected so put a T.

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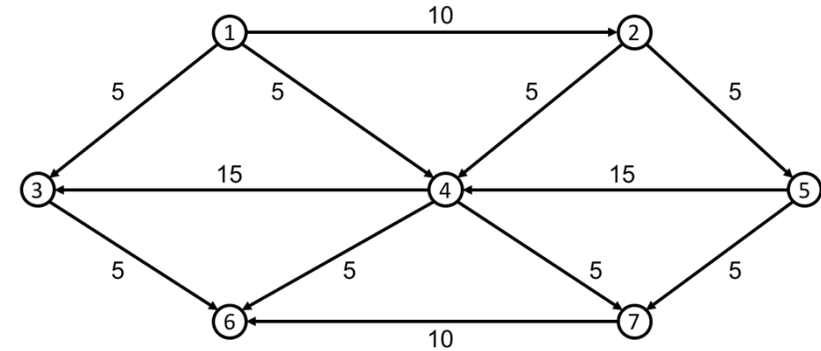
$v$

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2	$\infty$	1	$\infty$	5	5	$\infty$	$\infty$
3	$\infty$	$\infty$	1	$\infty$	$\infty$	5	$\infty$
4	$\infty$	$\infty$	15	1	$\infty$	5	5
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# Representing Graphs with Weights

$u \rightarrow v$   
 $(u, v)$



$v$

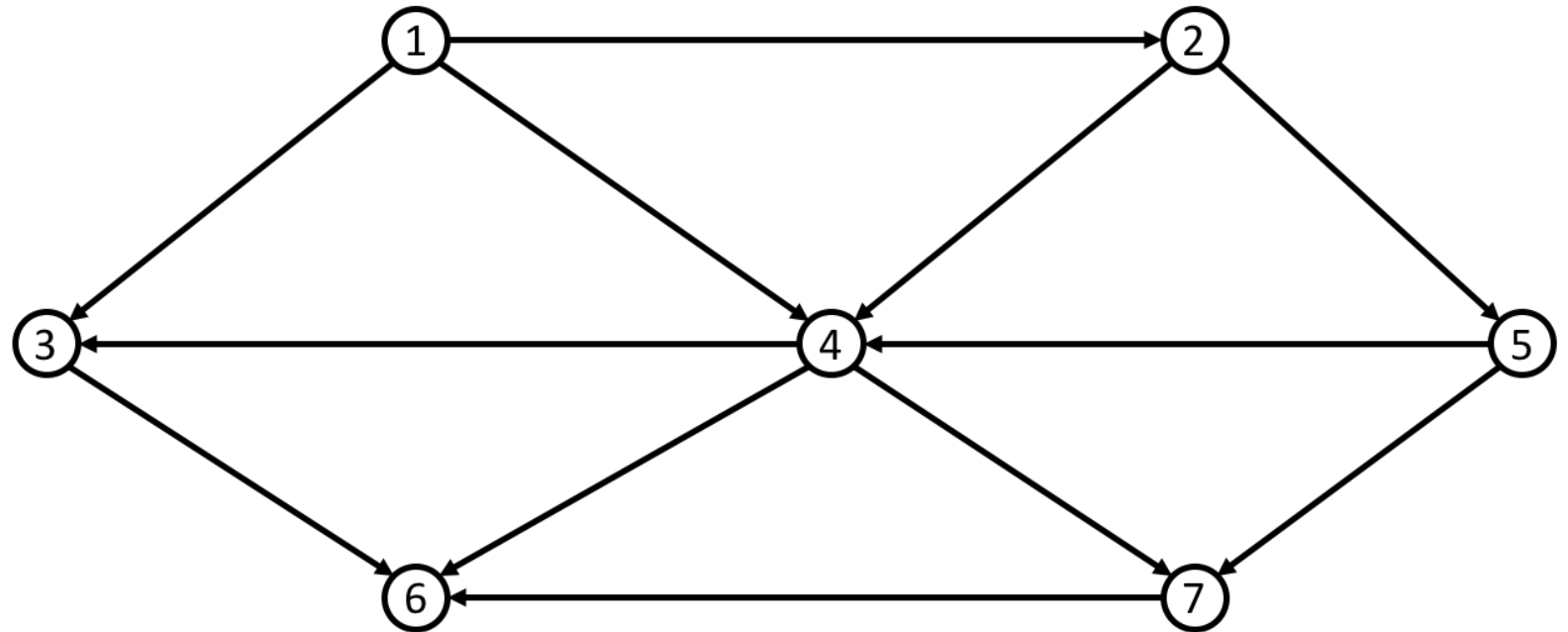
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# Representing Graphs

## Adjacency List

1	2, 3, 4
2	4, 5
3	6
4	3, 6, 7
5	4, 7
6	-
7	6

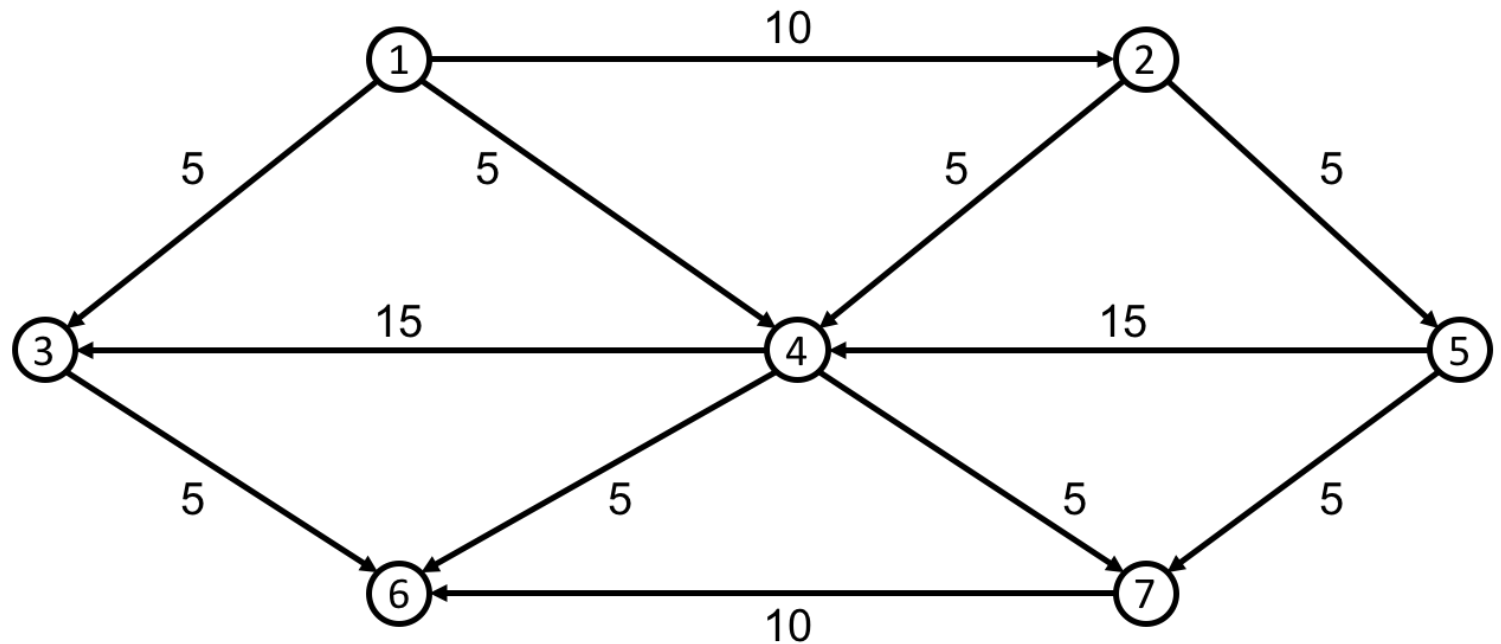




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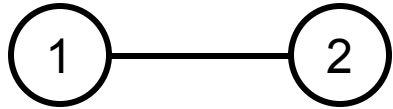
## Adjacency List

1	2[10], 3[5], 4[5]
2	4[5], 5[5]
3	6[5]
4	3[15], 6[5], 7[5]
5	4[15], 7[5]
6	-
7	6[10]

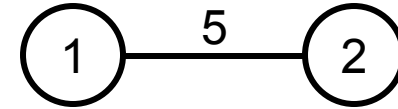


# Definitions

- **weight** (cost) – optional third component to an edge, numerical value assigned as a label to the edge

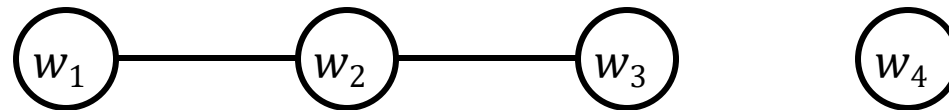


Vertices: 1, 2 Edge: (1, 2) no weight



Vertices: 1, 2 Edge: (1, 2) weight of 5

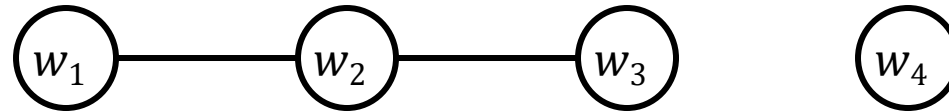
- **path** – in a graph is a sequence of vertices  $w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots, w_N$  such that  $(w_i, w_{i+1}) \in E$  for  $1 \leq i \leq N$



Vertices:  $w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4$  Edges:  $(w_1, w_2), (w_2, w_3)$  with a path from  $w_1$  to  $w_3$ , where  $N = 3$

# Definitions

- **Length:** is the number of **edges** on a path, it is equal to  $N - 1$



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with a path from  $w_1$  to  $w_3$ , where  $N = 3$  and the length is 2

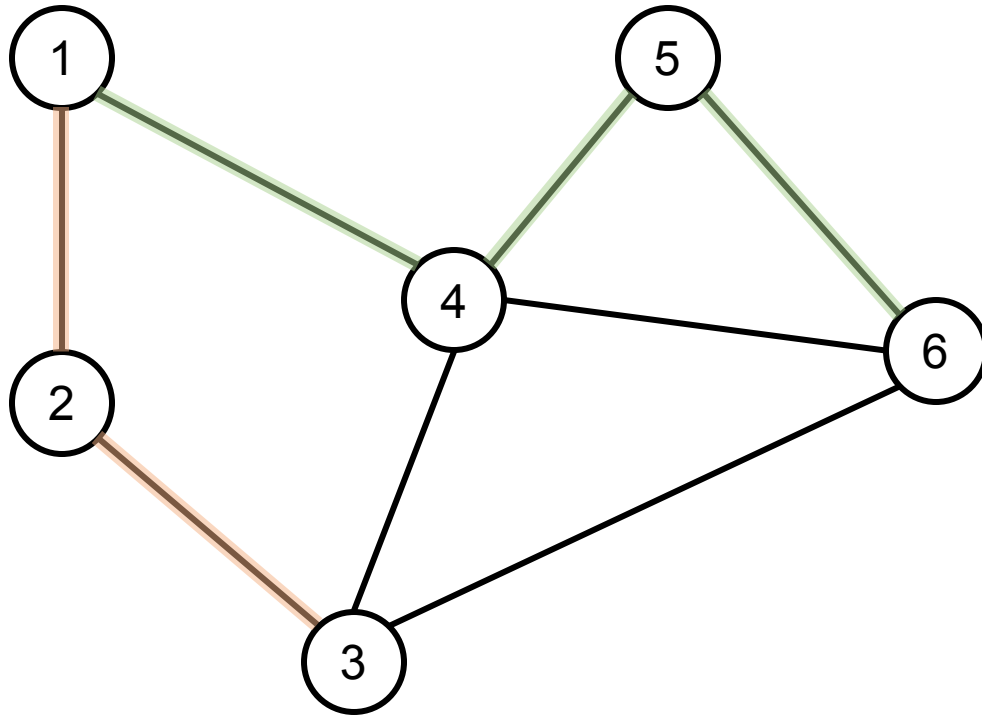
If a path contains no edges, then its path length is 0

- **Loop:** if there is an edge  $(v, v)$  from a vertex to itself then this path is known as a *loop*, we will consider graphs in general will be loopless
- **simple path:** is a *path* that all vertices are **distinct**, except the first and last could be the same

# Definitions

- **cycle** – in a directed graph, a path with a length of at least 1, such that  $w_1 = w_N$ , the *cycle* is simple if the path is simple; in an undirected graph the edges must be distinct
- **acyclic** (DAG) – is a directed graph **with no cycles**
- **connected** – in an undirected graph, the graph is connected if there is **a path from every vertex to every other vertex**
- **strongly connected** – a **connected directed** graph is known as a *strongly connected* graph
- **weakly connected** – a graph is *weakly connected* if the directed graph is **connected** when direction of the edges is ignored
- **complete** – is a graph where there is an edge between every pair of vertices
- **Indegree** – the number of incoming edges in directed graph
- **Outdegree** – the number of outgoing edges in directed graph

# Summary of Definitions



## Undirected Graph

Vertices: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Edges: [8] (1, 2), (1, 4), (2, 3),  
(3, 4), (3, 6), (4, 5),  
(4, 6), (5, 6)

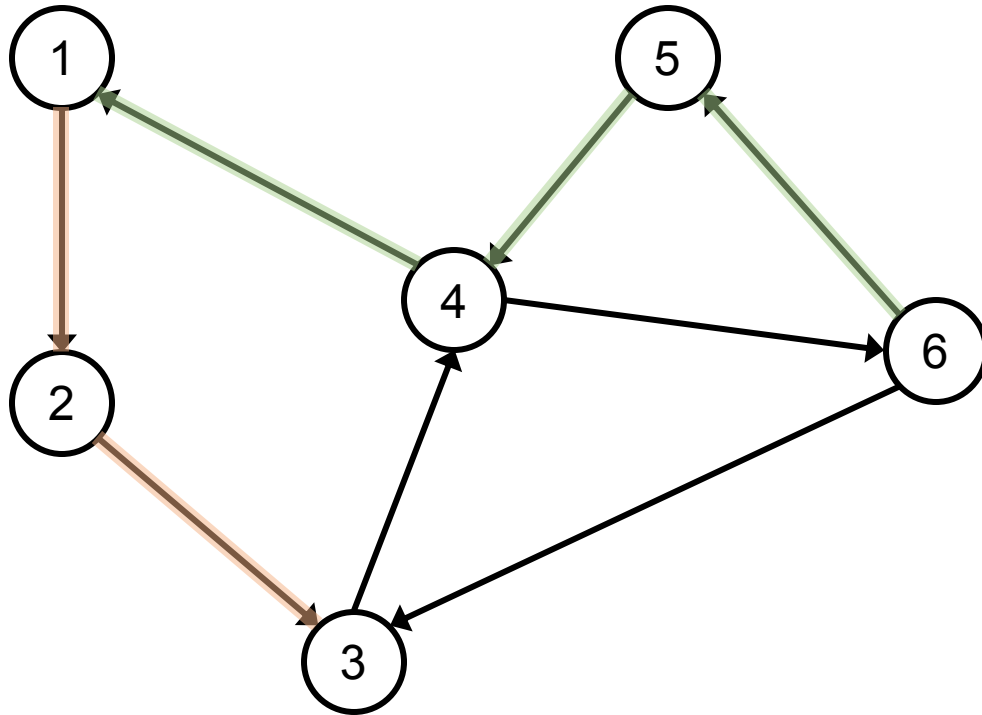
Adjacent: 1 is adjacent to 2 and 4

Path: 1 to 4 to 5 to 6 or 1 to 2 to 3

Length: 1 to 4 to 5 to 6 is 3 and 1 to 2 to 3 is 2

Is this graph connected? Yes

# Summary of Definitions



## Directed Graph

Vertices: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Edges: [8] (1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4),  
(4, 1), (4, 6), (5, 4),  
(6, 3), (6, 5)

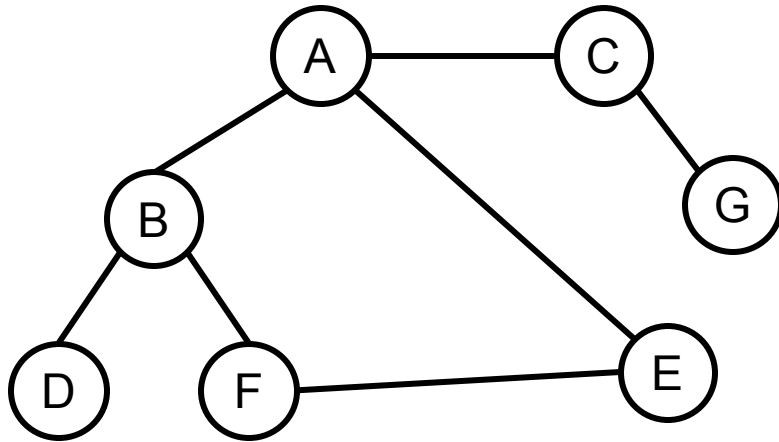
Adjacent: 1 is adjacent to 2

Path: 6 to 5 to 4 to 1 or 1 to 2 to 3

Length: 6 to 5 to 4 to 1 is 3 and 1 to 2 to 3 is 2

Is this graph strongly connected? Yes

# Depth-First Search



Starting at A

A, B

A, B, D *pop back to B*

A, B, D, F

A, B, D, F, E *has path to A\* pop back to F, then to B, then to A looking for path to a vertex that has not be visited*

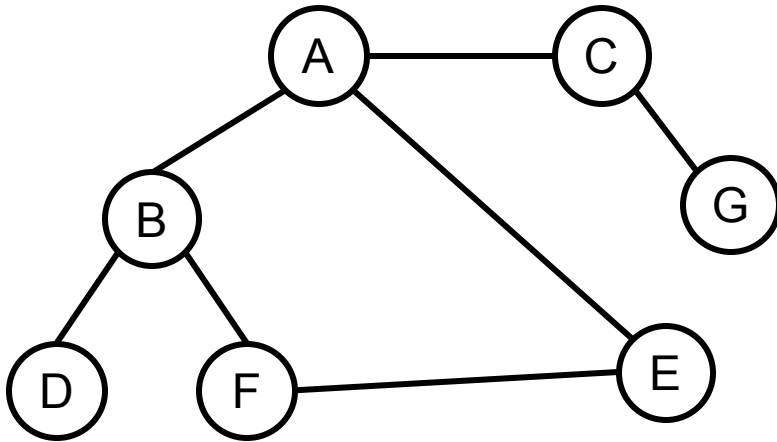
A, B, D, F, E, C

A, B, D, F, E, C, G *Finished*

\*Coding wise this why its important to keep a list of vertices visited

# Depth-First Search for Cycle Detection

We can use DFS to detect cycle  
Starting at A

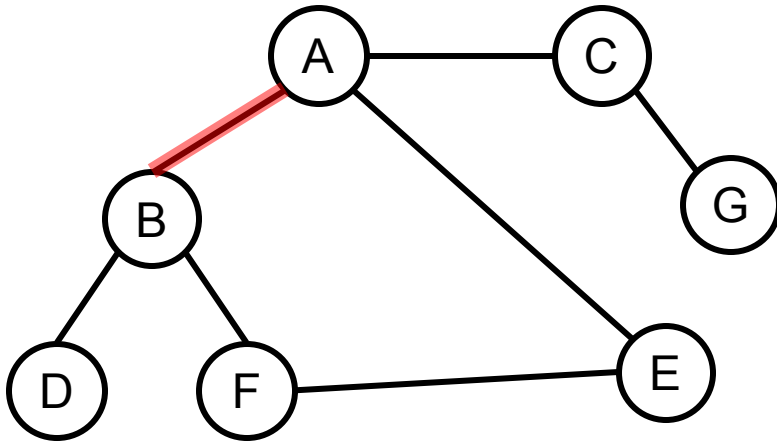


List of visited vertices: A



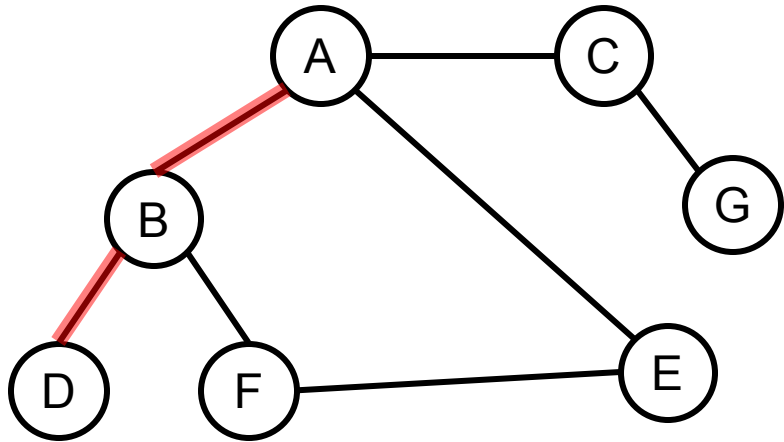
# Depth-First Search for Cycle Detection

We can use DFS to detect cycle  
Starting at A  
Visit B



List of visited vertices: A, B

# Depth-First Search for Cycle Detection



List of visited vertices: A, B, D

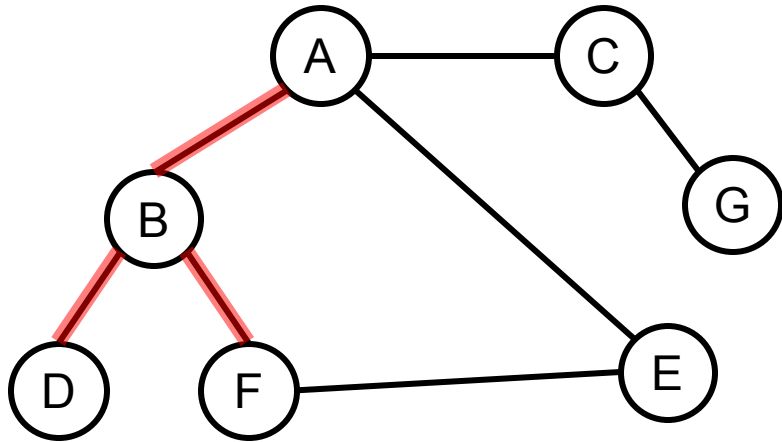
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Visit B

Visit D – nothing is adjacent to D so pop back to B

# Depth-First Search for Cycle Detection



List of visited vertices: A, B, D, F

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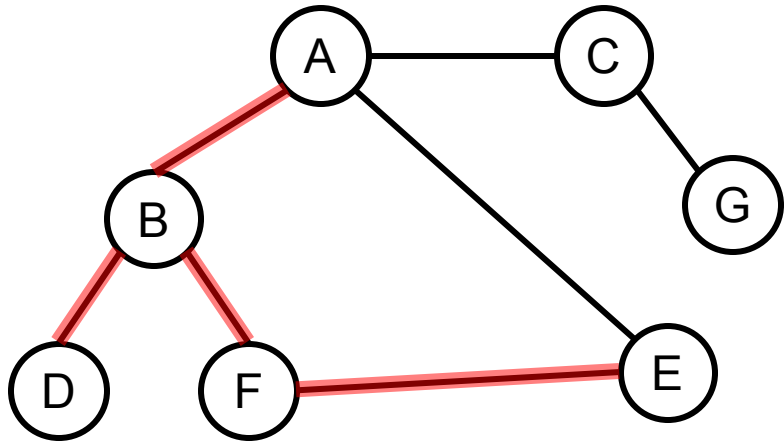
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Visit B

Visit D – nothing is adjacent to D so pop back to B

Visit F

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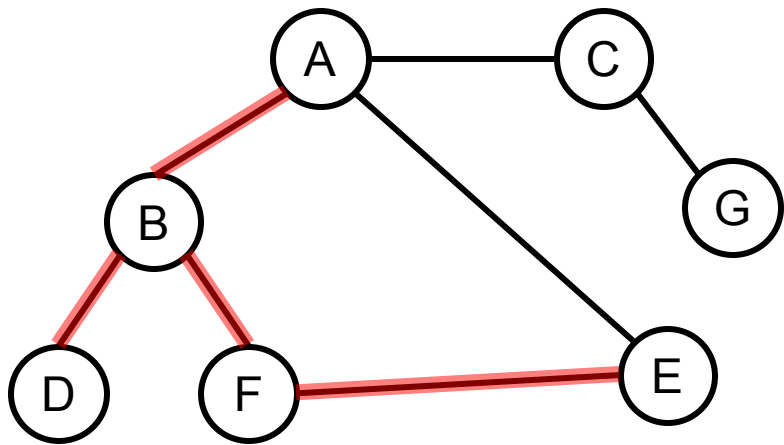
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Visit F

Visit E

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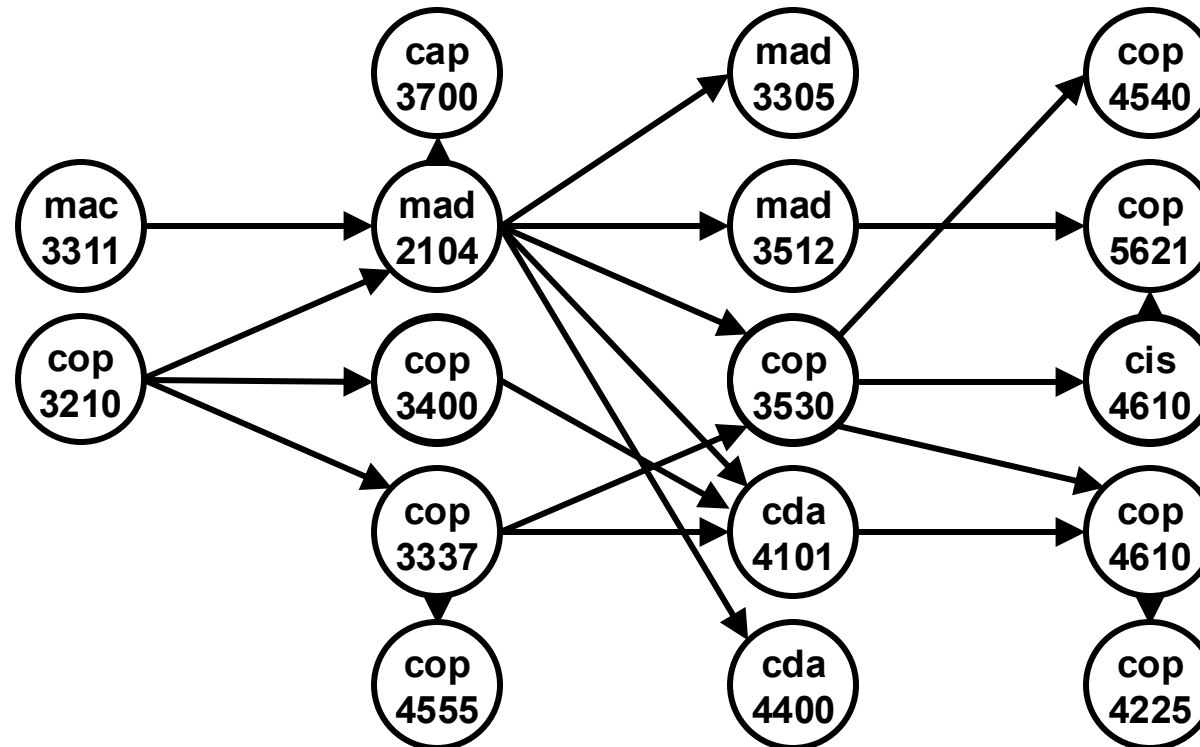
Visit F

Visit E

Visit A – but A is visited list, this means there is an alternative path from A to E in addition to the path E to A and a **cycle is found!!!!**

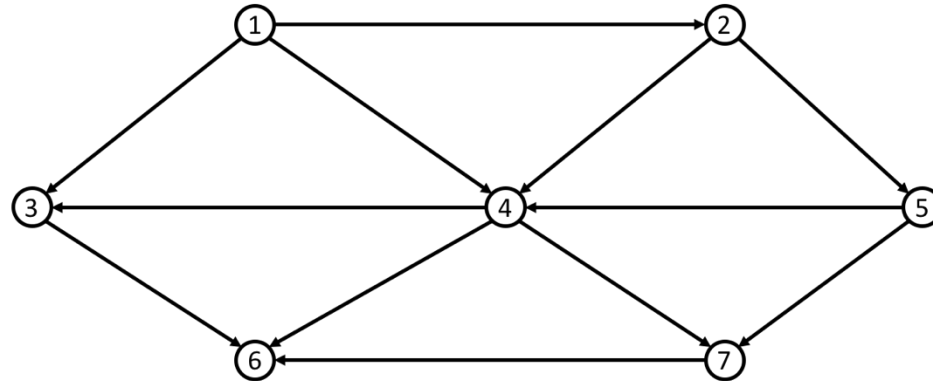
# Topological Sort

- Topological sort: is the ordering of vertices in a **directed acyclic graph**, such that if there is a path from  $v_i$  to  $v_j$ , then  $v_j$  appears after  $v_i$  in the ordering
- Reminder: **acyclic** (DAG) – is a directed graph with no cycles



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- A **single** topological ordering is not possible if the graph has a cycle, as for the two vertices  $v$  and  $w$  on the cycle,  $v$  precedes  $w$  and  $w$  precedes  $v$
- Valid topological ordering:

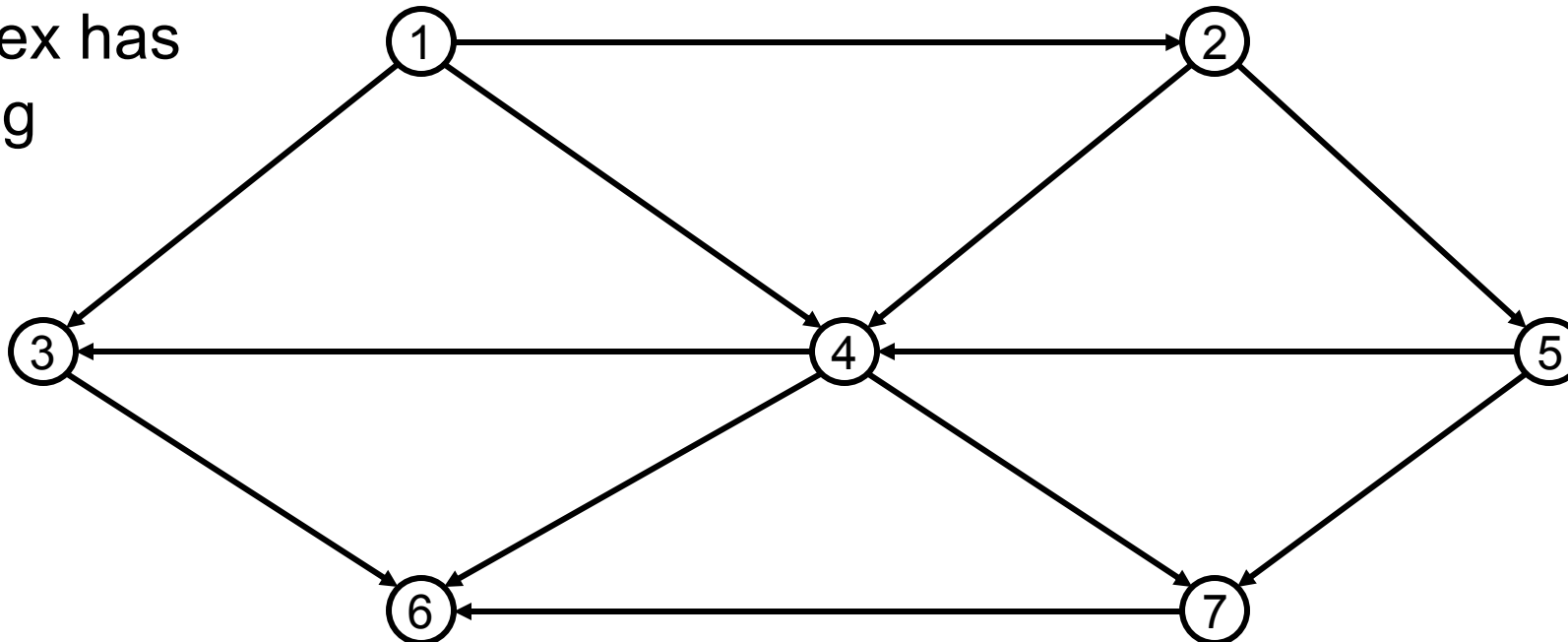
$v_1, v_2, v_5, v_4, v_3, v_7, v_6$  OR  $v_1, v_2, v_5, v_4, v_7, v_3, v_6$

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- A simple algorithm to find a topological ordering
  - find any vertex with no incoming edges
  - remove it and its edges



Which vertex has  
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edges?



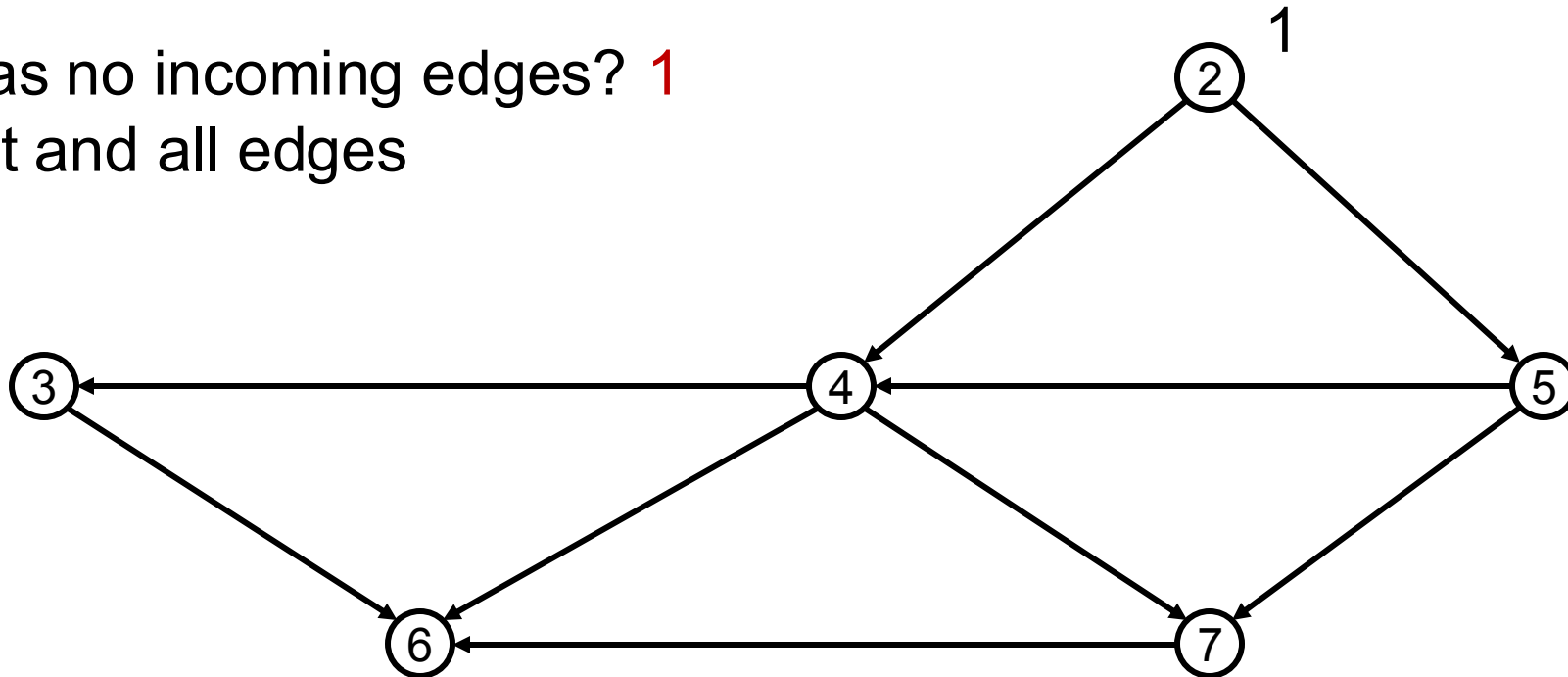


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Which vertex has no incoming edges? 1  
So we remove it and all edges

Topological Ordering:

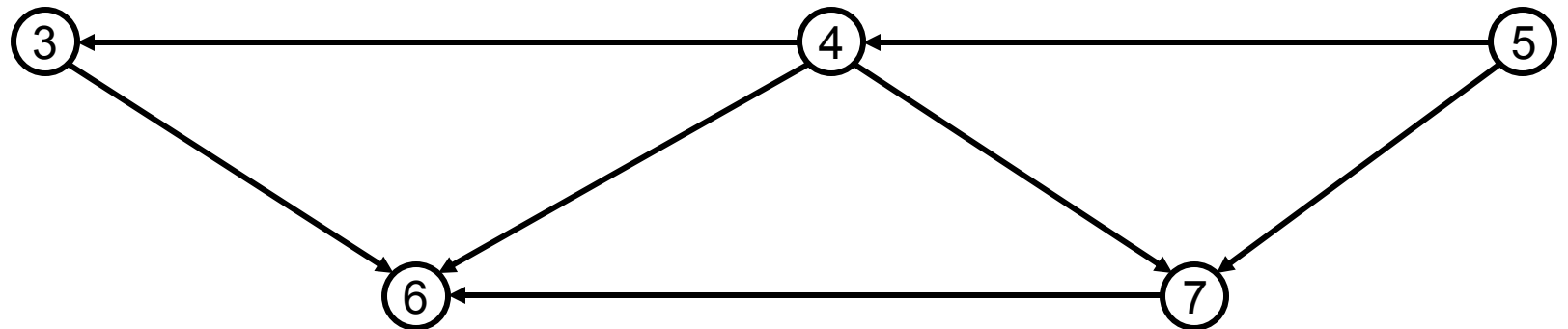


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Topological Ordering:  
1, 2

Which vertex has no incoming edges? 2  
So we remove it and all edges

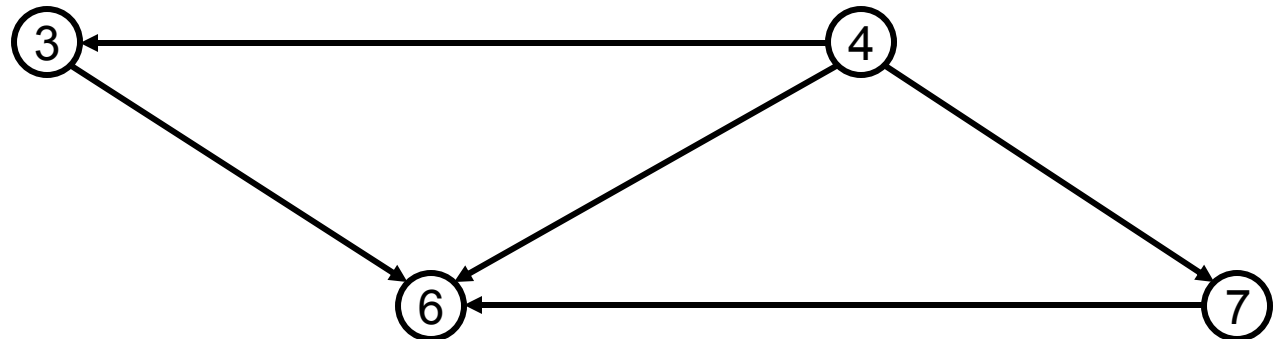


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Topological Ordering:  
1, 2, 5

Which vertex has no incoming edges? 5  
So we remove it and all edges

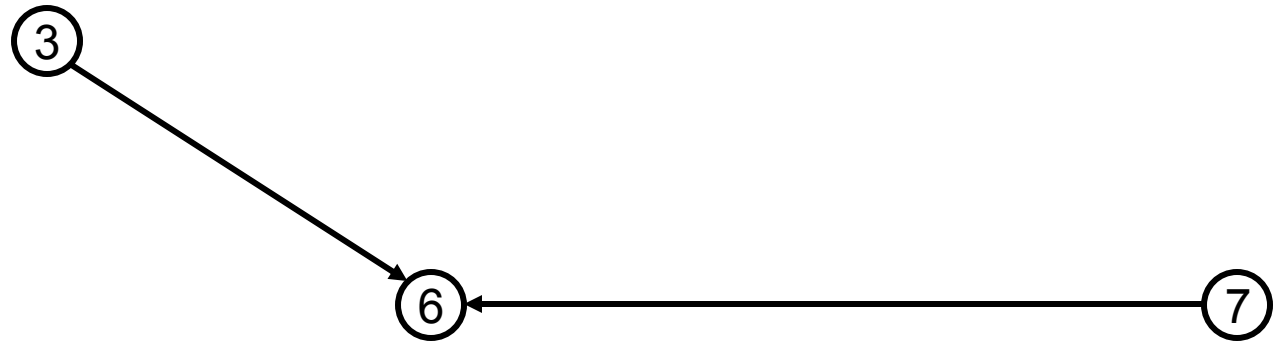


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Which vertex has no incoming edges? 4  
So we remove it and all edges

Topological Ordering:  
1, 2, 5, 4



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Topological Ordering:  
1, 2, 5, 4, {3, 7}

Which vertex has no incoming edges? 3 or 7  
So we remove it and all edges



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Which vertex has no incoming edges? 6

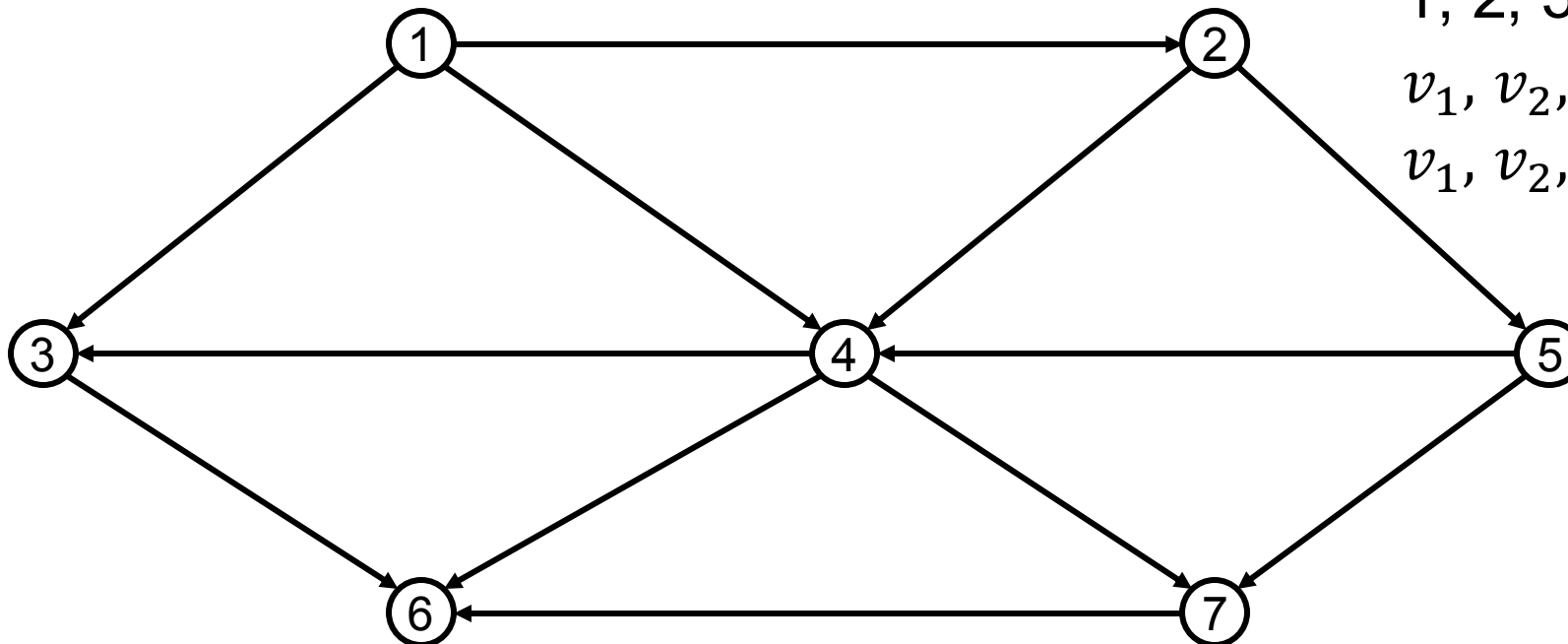
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$v_1, v_2, v_5, v_4, v_3, v_7, v_6$

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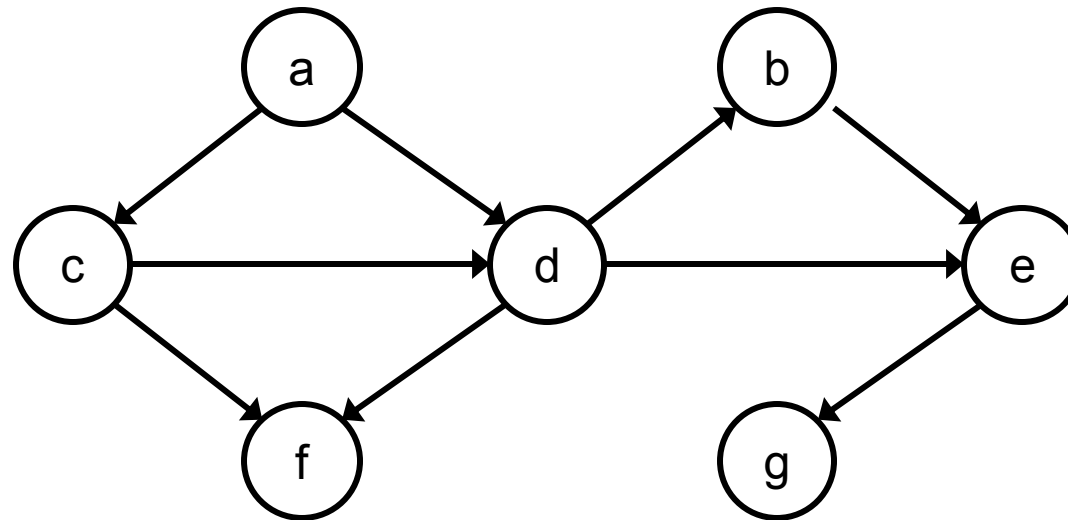
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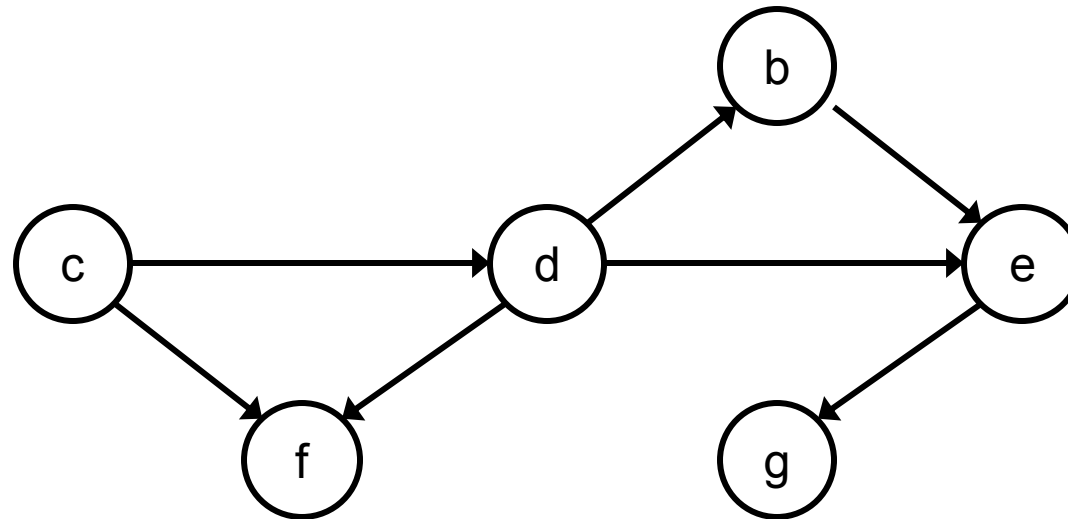


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Which vertex has no incoming edges? **a**  
So we remove it  
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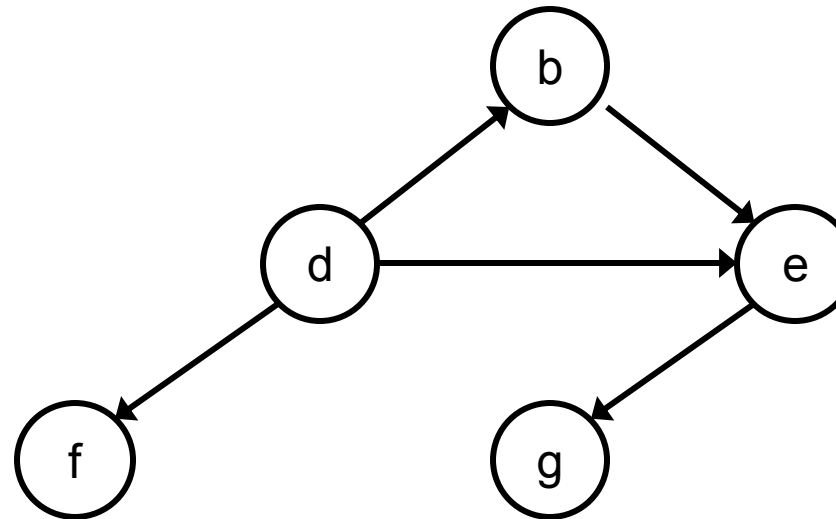
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Which vertex has no incoming edges? **c**  
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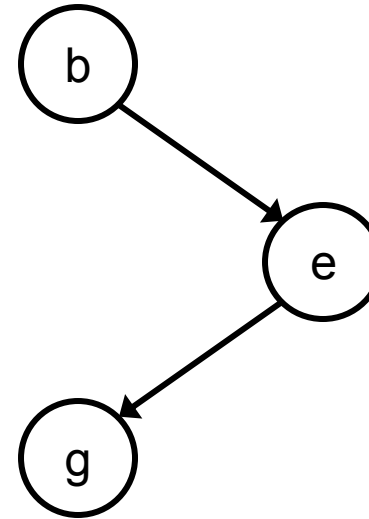
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Which vertex has no incoming edges? **d**  
So we remove it  
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Topological Ordering:  
a, c, d

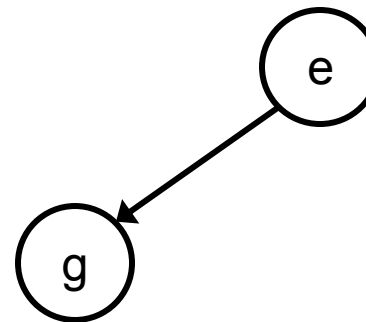
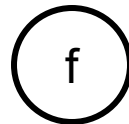
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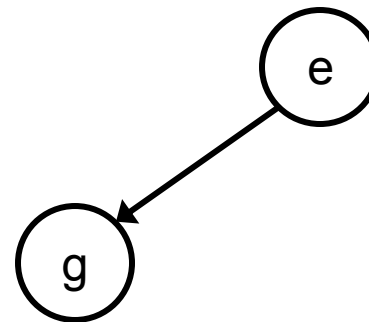
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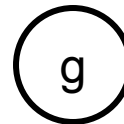
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Which vertex has no incoming edges? **e**  
So we remove it and all edges

Topological Ordering:  
a, c, d, {b, f}, e



# Topological Sort

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Which vertex has no incoming edges? **g**  
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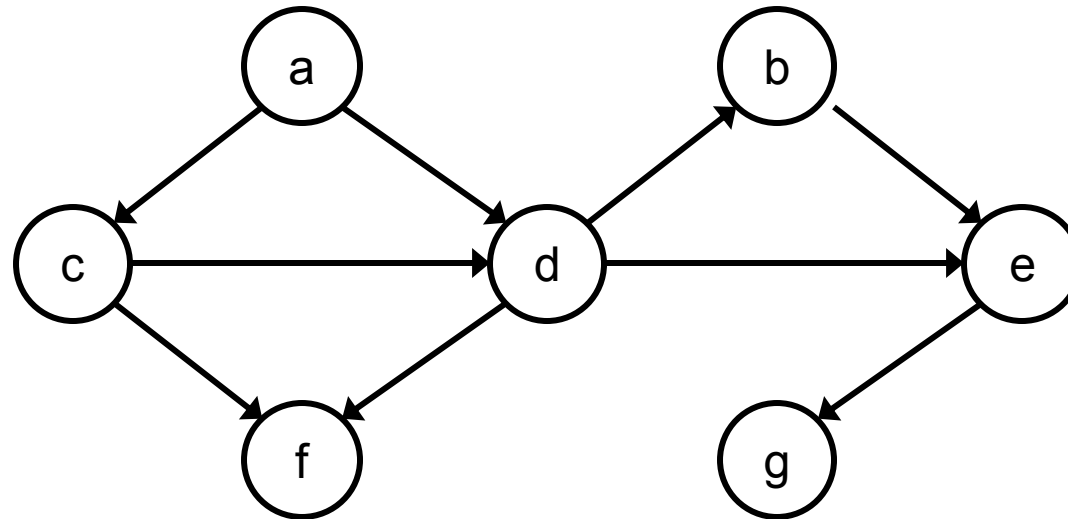


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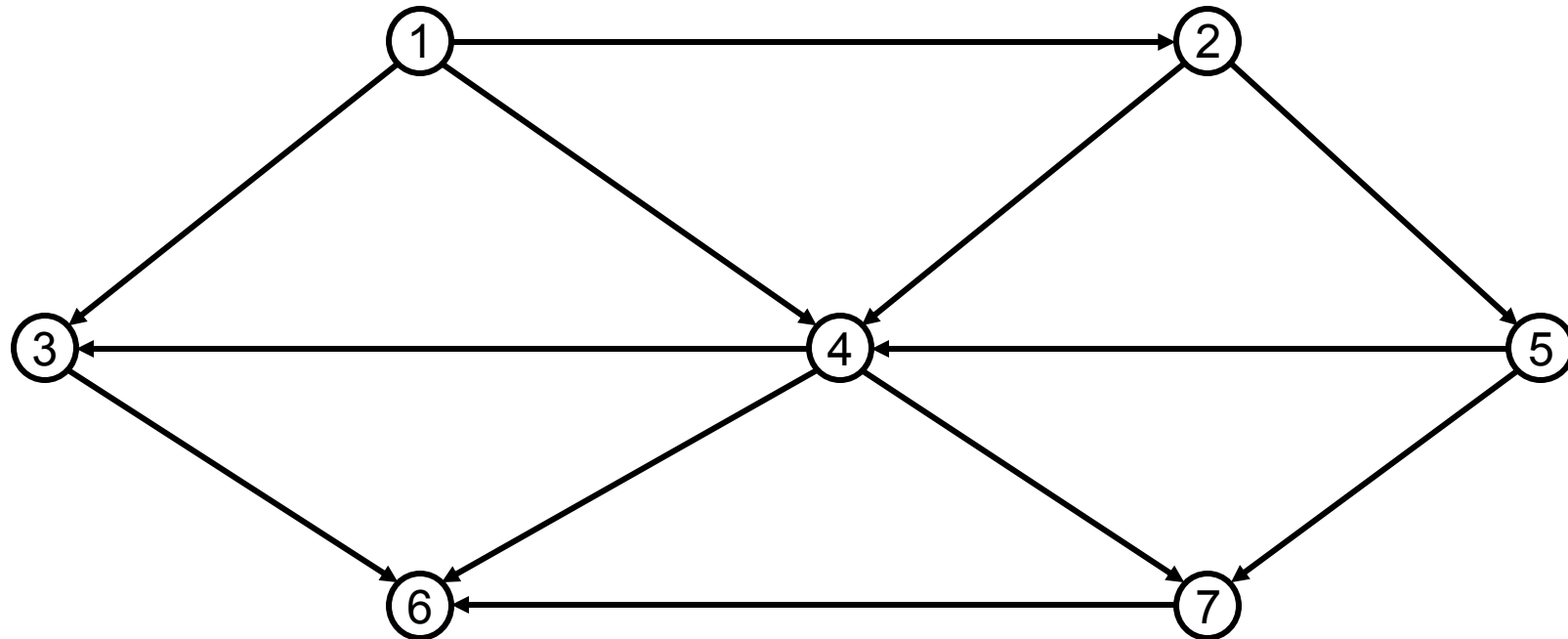
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- Formally, we use our definition of **indegree** of a vertex  $v$  as the number of edges  $(u, v)$ . Compute the indegree of all vertices in the graph and keep in adjacency list to generate a topological order

1	0
2	1
3	2
4	3
5	1
6	3
7	2



Pick one with Zero (0)

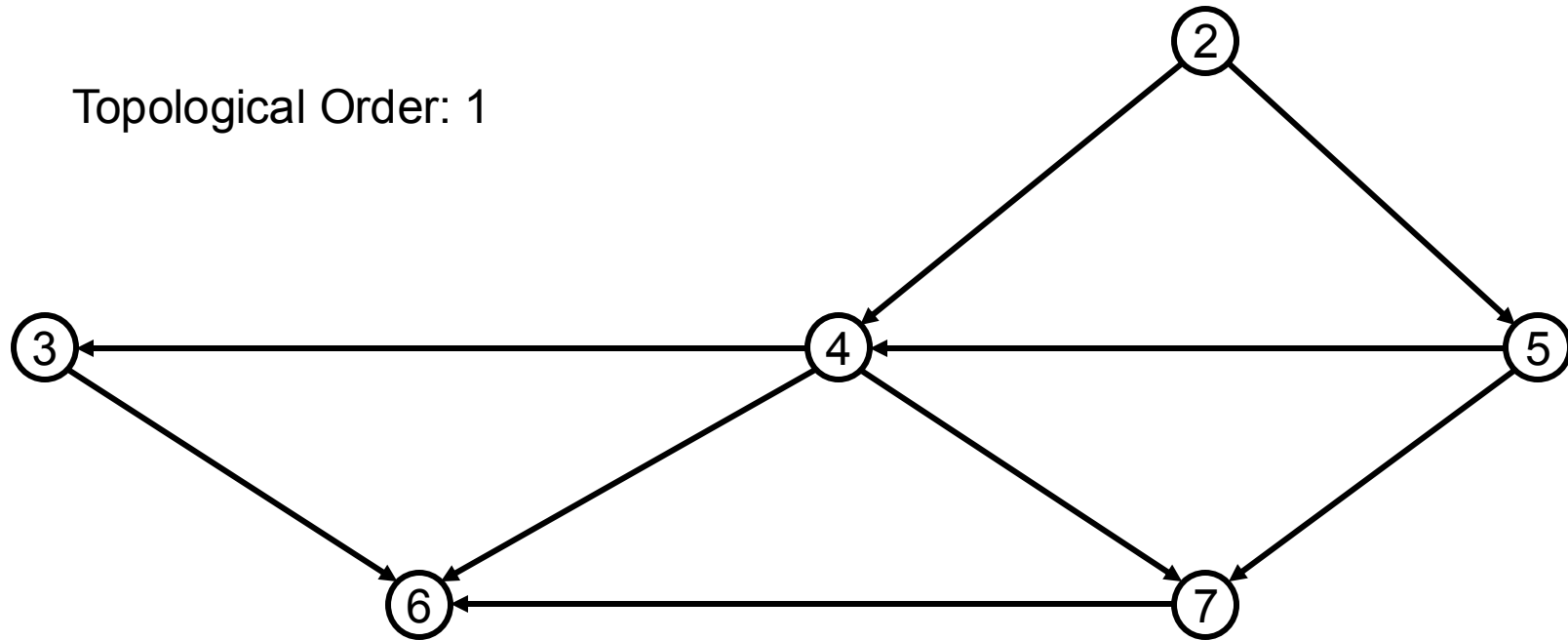
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1	0	X
2	1	0
3	2	1
4	3	2
5	1	1
6	3	3
7	2	2

Pick one with Zero (0)

Topological Order: 1



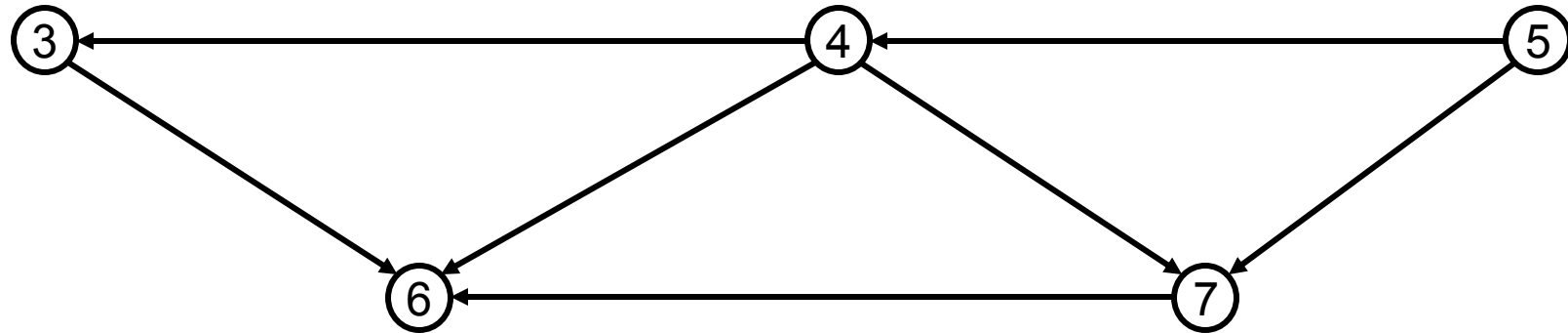
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1	0	X	
2	1	0	X
3	2	1	1
4	3	2	1
5	1	1	0
6	3	3	3
7	2	2	2

Pick one with Zero (0)

Topological Order: 1, 2



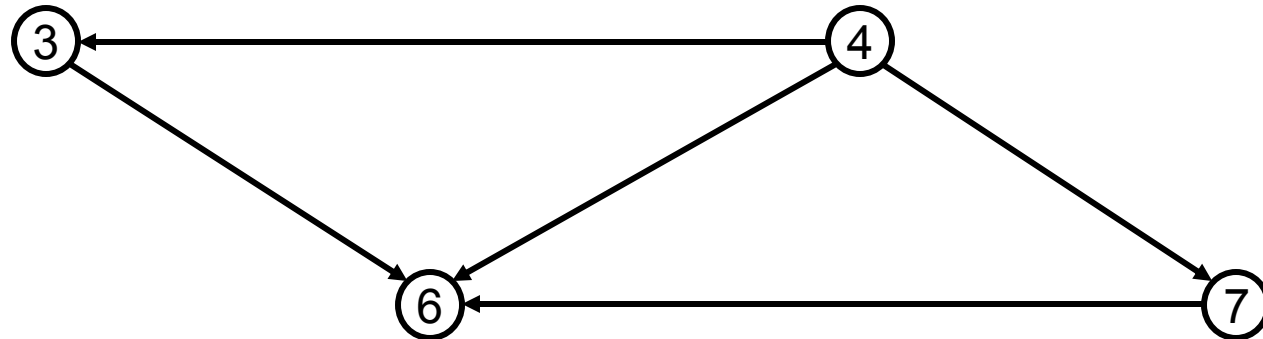
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1	0	X		
2	1	0	X	
3	2	1	1	1
4	3	2	1	0
5	1	1	0	X
6	3	3	3	3
7	2	2	2	1

Pick one with Zero (0)

Topological Order: 1, 2, 5

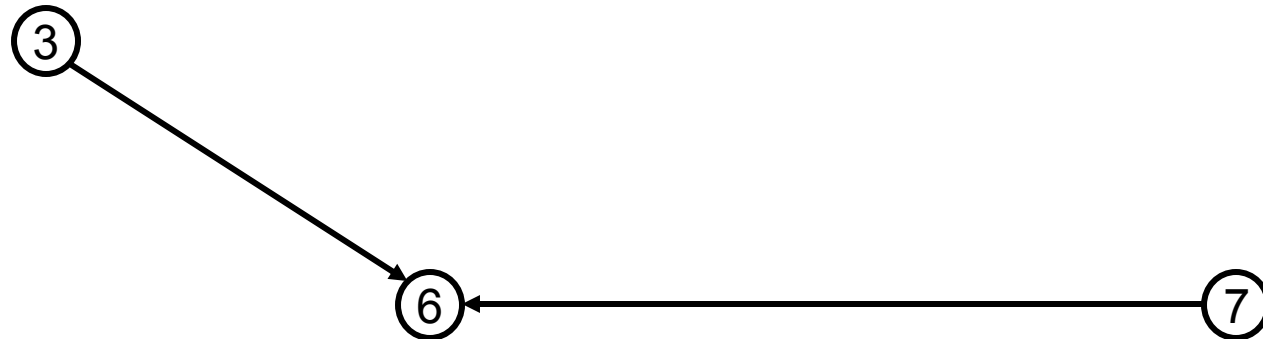


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1	0	X			
2	1	0	X		
3	2	1	1	1	0
4	3	2	1	0	X
5	1	1	0	X	
6	3	3	3	3	2
7	2	2	2	1	0

Topological Order: 1, 2, 5, 4



Pick one with Zero (0)

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1	0	X				
2	1	0	X			
3	2	1	1	1	0	X
4	3	2	1	0	X	
5	1	1	0	X		
6	3	3	3	3	2	0
7	2	2	2	1	0	X

Topological Order: 1, 2, 5, 4, {3, 7}

Pick one with Zero (0)

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