Algorithm and Object-Oriented Programming for Modeling
Part 4: Graph Related Algorithms

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Classification of data structures:

- Linear: at most one predecessor & one successor
- Tree: at most one predecessor & any # of successor
- Graph: any # of predecessor & successor

Section 1. Why graphs?

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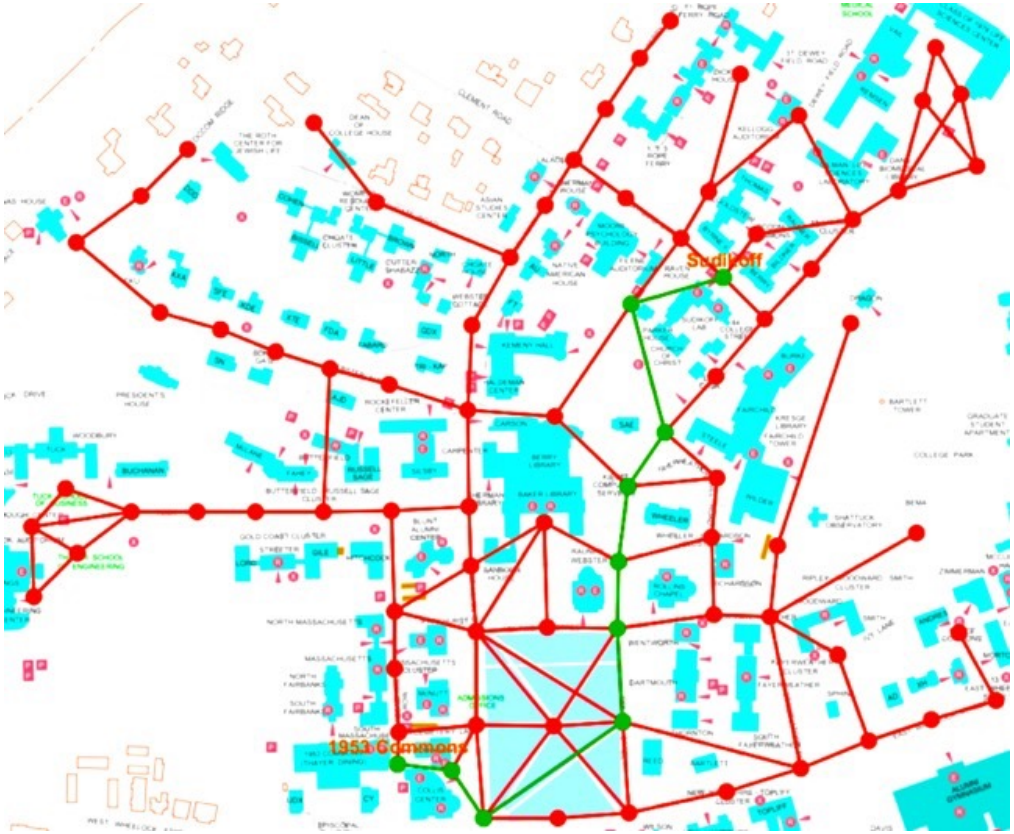
Traffic



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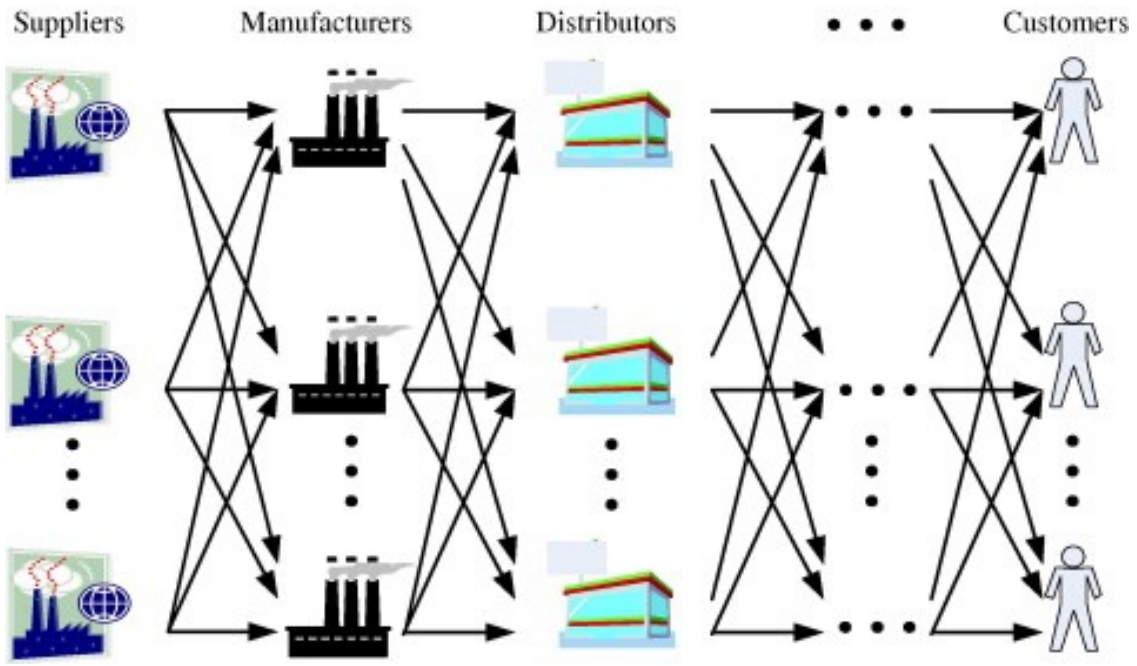
Supply chain



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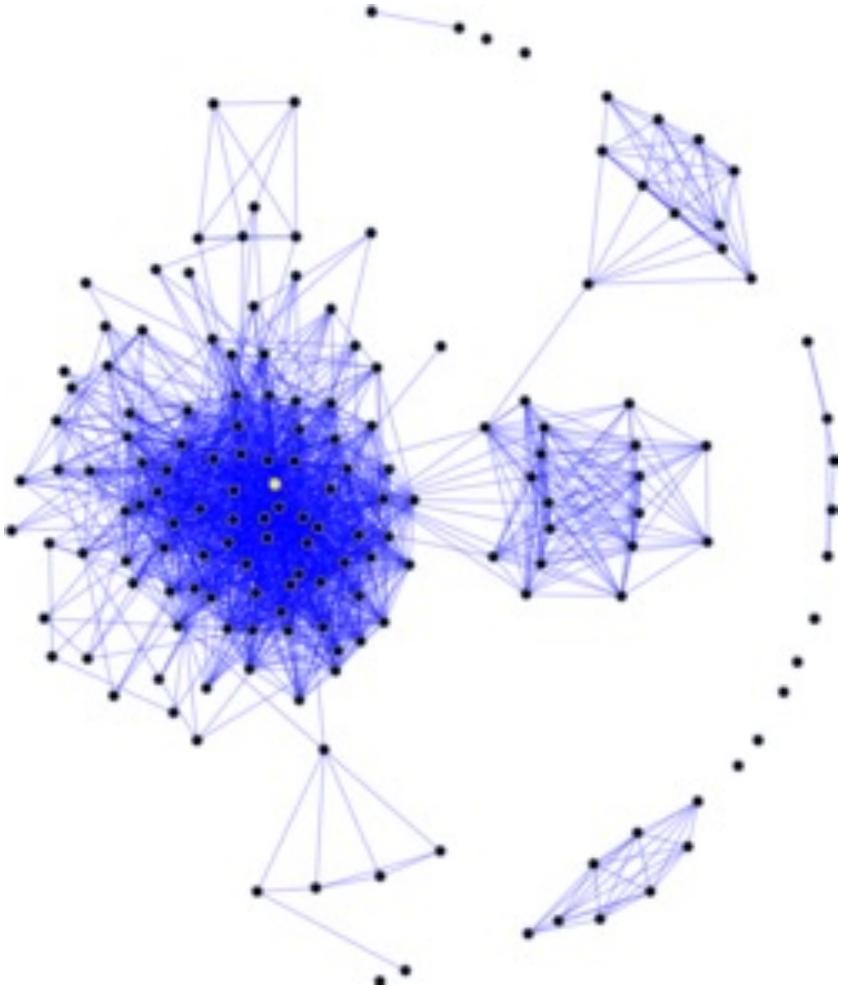
Social network



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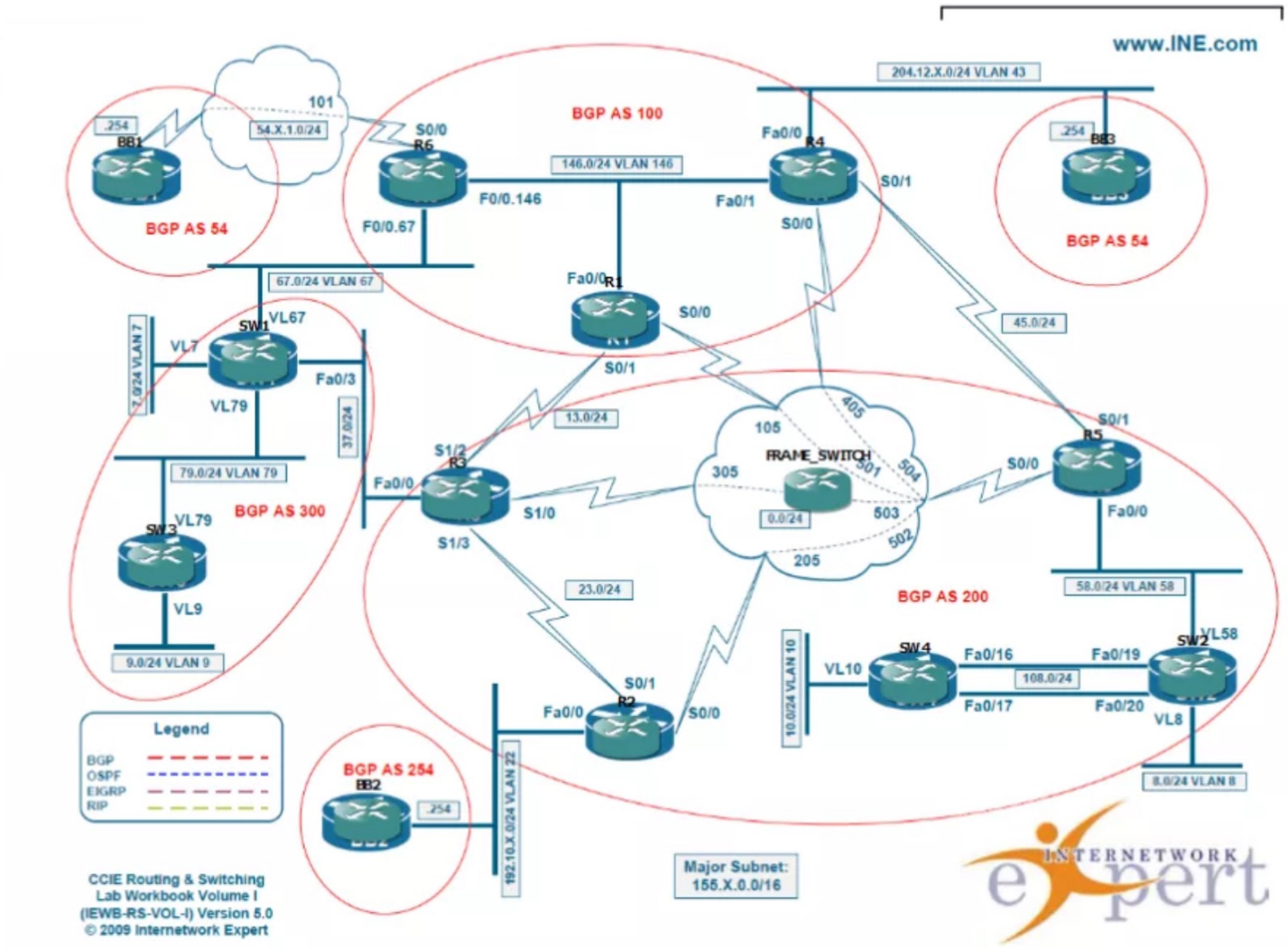
Computer network



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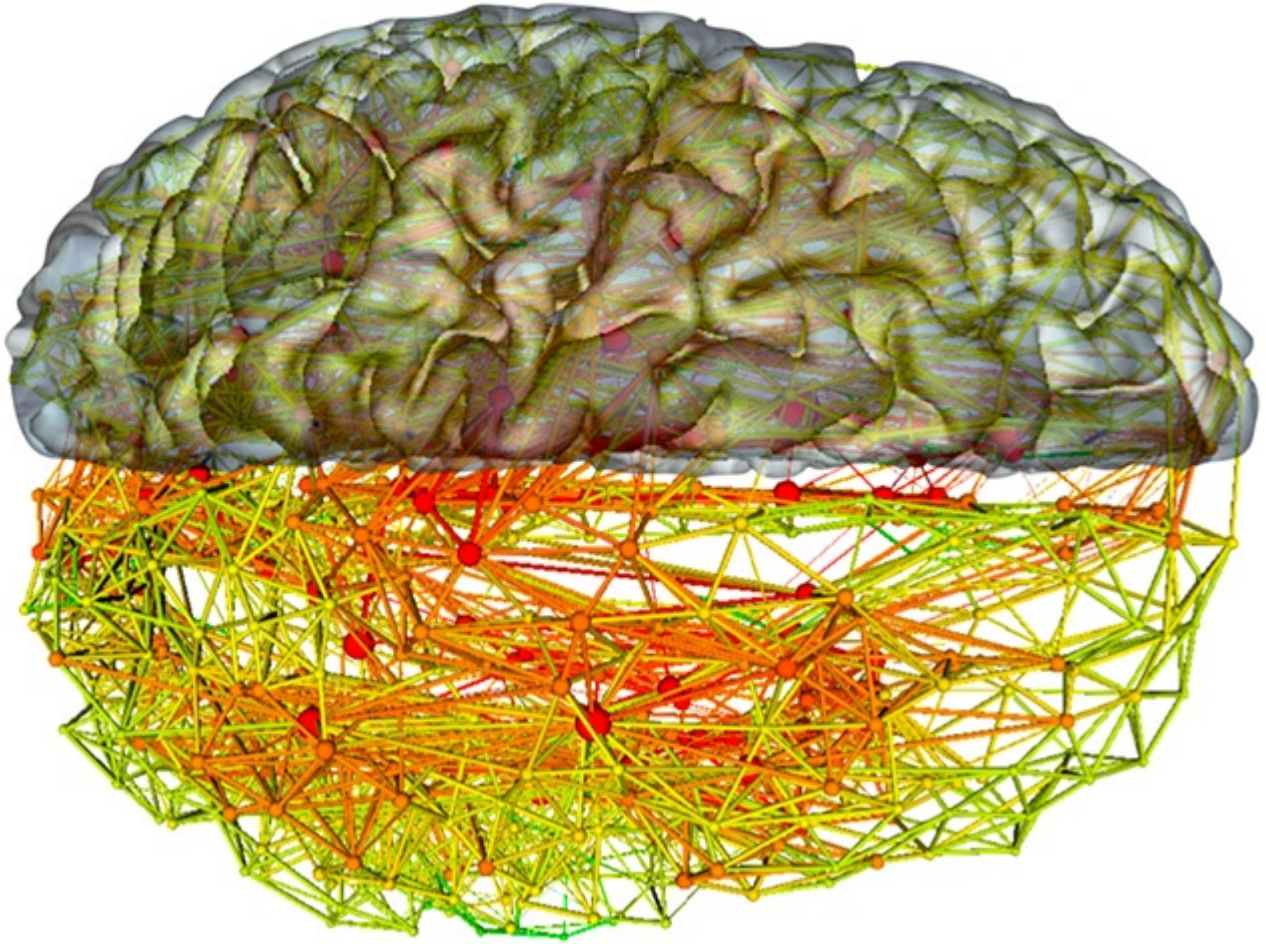
Neural network



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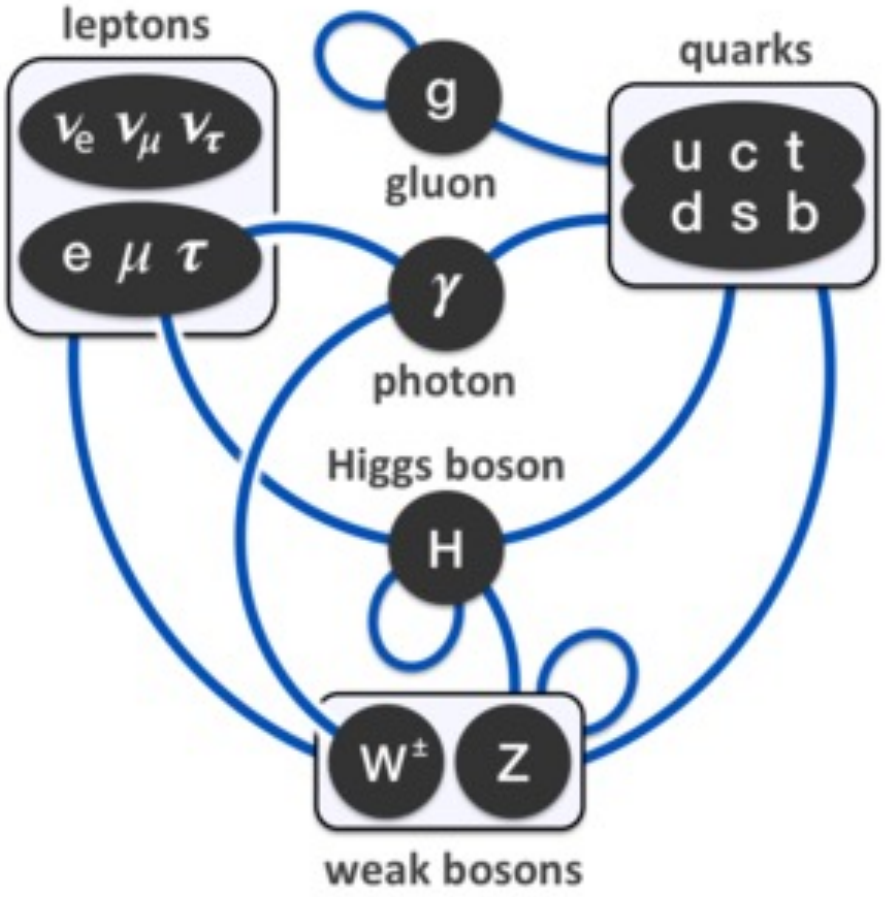
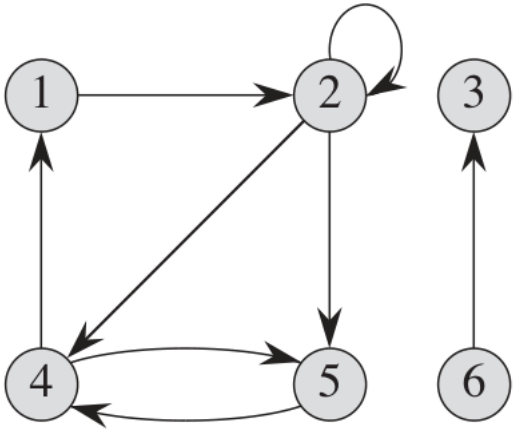
Interactions of elementary particles



Section 2. Definitions

Direct and undirected diagrams



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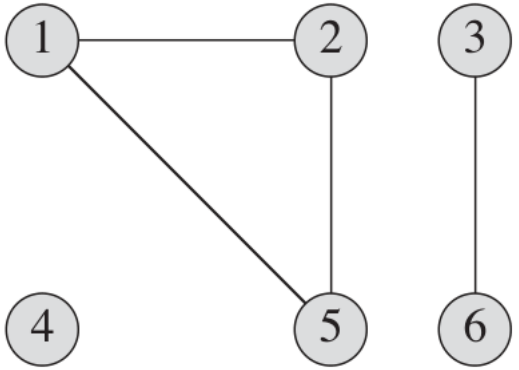

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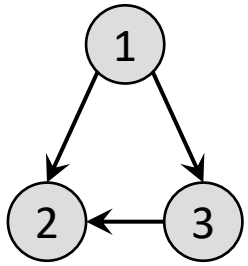
Example: This is not a tree because it has cycles

Graph without cycle: is it always a tree?

Graph without cycles:

- Tree
- Directed acyclic graph (DAG)



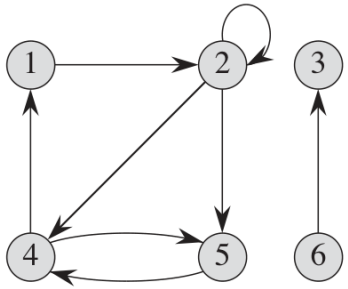
How to store a diagram?

G = (V, E)

V: A list of vertices

E: Edges stored in an adjacency list

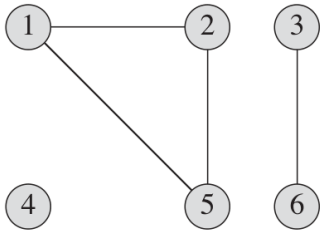
- For directed diagram: e.g. {[v1, v2], [v2, v3], …}



V = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}

E = {[1,2], [2,2], [2,4], [2,5],
[4,1], [4,5], [5,4], [6,3]}

- For undirected diagram: e.g {{v1, v2}, {v2, v3}, …}



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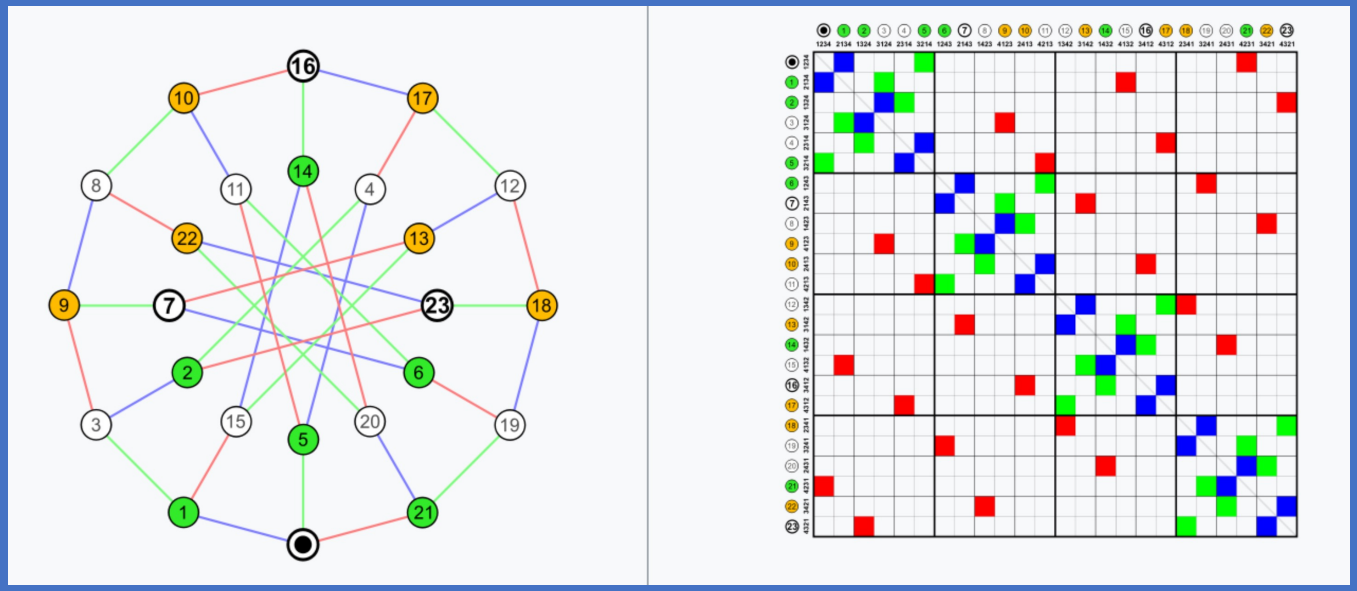
Or adjacency matrix



Issue of adjacency list: not associated to edge.

Thus practically, additional workload for time complexity.

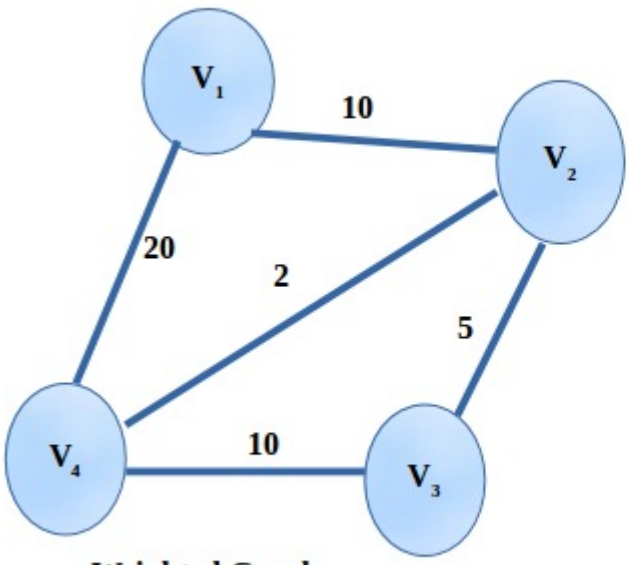
Practical implementation:

For each vertex, maintain a list of adjacent vertices.

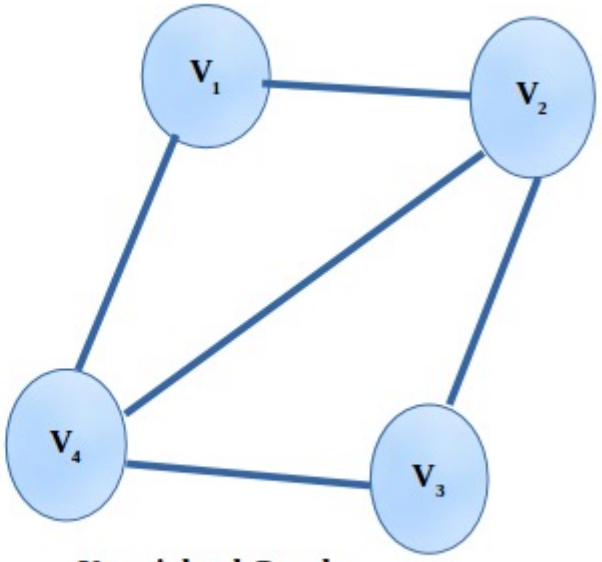
- Can use a list for each vertex: v.adj = [list of adjacent vertices]
- Can use a dict for the whole graph: adj[v] = [list of adjacent vertices]

(Or sometimes adjacent vertices calculated in real time.)

Weighted and unweighted graphs



Weighted Graph



Unweighted Graph

```python
class Graph:
    def __init__(self, V, E):
        self.vertices = V
        self.edges = E
        self.build_adj(E)

    def build_adj(self, E):
        self.adj_dict = {}
        for edge in E:
            if type(edge) == set: # undirected
                self.add_adj(list(edge))
                self.add_adj(list(edge)[::-1])
            else: # directed
                self.add_adj(edge)

    def adj(self, s):
        return self.adj_dict[s]

    def add_adj(self, edge):
        u, v = edge
        if u not in self.adj_dict:
            self.adj_dict[u] = [v]
        else:
            self.adj_dict[u].append(v)
```

```python
g = Graph(["a","s","d","f","z","x","c","v"], [{"a","z"},{"a","s"},{"s","x"},{"x","d"}
, {"x","c"},{"d","f"},{"c","f"},{"c","v"},{"f","v"}])
print(g.adj_dict)
```

```
{'a': ['z', 's'], 'z': ['a'], 's': ['a', 'x'], 'x': ['s', 'd', 'c'], 'd': ['x', 'f'], 'c': ['x', 'f', 'v'], 'f': ['d', 'c'
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```

Section 3: Breadth-First Search (BFS)

```
from collections import deque


    def BFS_simple(self, s):
        visited = {s}
        frontier = deque(s)
        while frontier:
            u = frontier.pop()
            print(u)
            for v in self.adj(u):
                if v not in visited:
                    visited.add(v)
                    frontier.appendleft(v)
```

Why called “simple”? Only visit here. See some realistic cases of problem solving.

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how to find the shortest path from anywhere to V?

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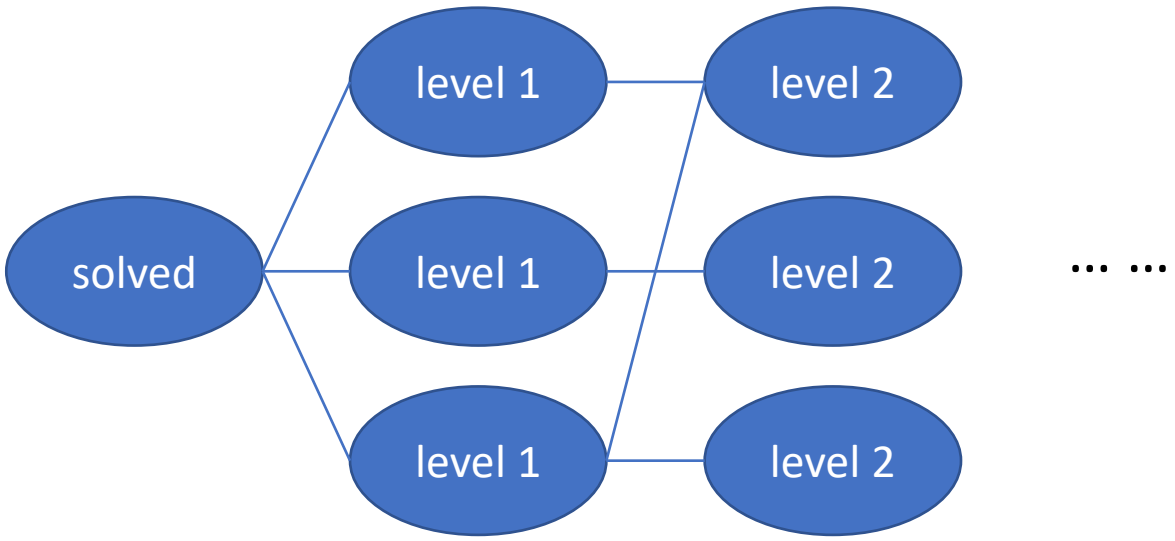
Note: $(\#\ \text{states}) = \frac{8! \times 3^8}{24 \times 3} = 3{,}674{,}160$: already lots of states!



Idea: first search for level 1, then level 2, …

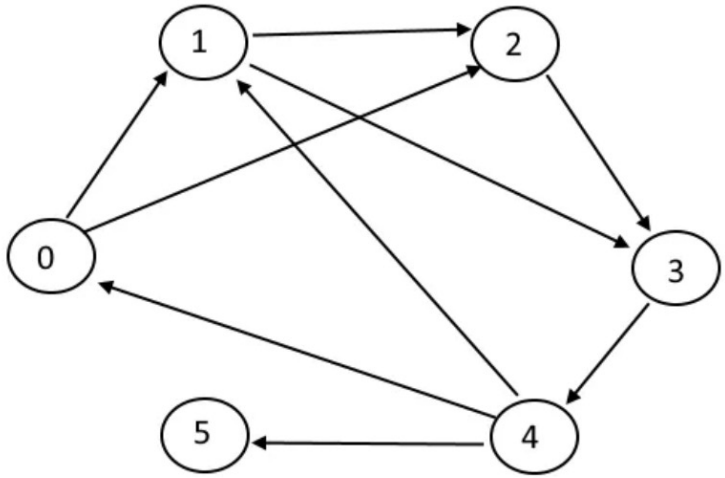
Note: store visited to avoid cycles. Otherwise will not end.

Breadth first search on a graph

Example: start from vertex 0.

Find shortest path for all vertices.

"Find": by
(1) Labelling depth
(2) Labelling parents



Breadth first search on a graph

Two usages of level:
(1) Visited flag
(2) Level

Q: how to realize without dict?

```
def BFS(self, s):
    parent = {s: None}
    level = {s: 0}
    frontier = [s]
    level_cnt = 0
    while frontier:
        level_cnt += 1
        next = []
        for u in frontier:
            for v in self.adj(u):
                if v not in level:
                    level[v] = level_cnt
                    parent[v] = u
                    next.append(v)
        frontier = next
    return [parent, level]
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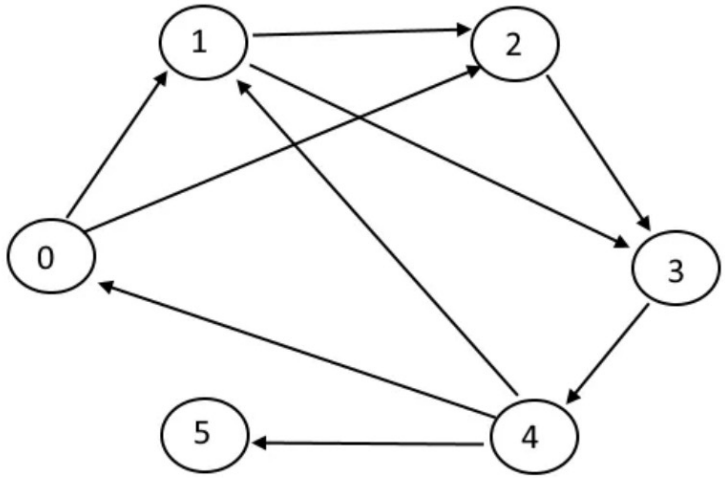
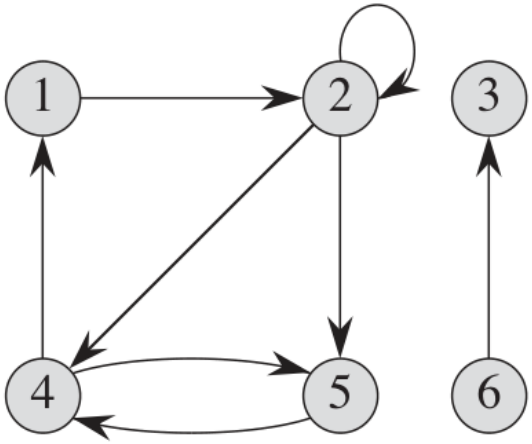


Disconnected parts?

1. For the current problem of single source shortest path: set to infinity
2. In general: Can run in a loop to visit all disconnected parts



Shortest path from v to the starting point:

v ← parent[v] ← parent[parent[v]] ← ⋯⋯

Length of the shortest path: level[v]

Section 4. Depth-First Search (DFS)

Depth first search for a vertex

```
def DFS_visit(self, s, parent = None):
    if parent is None:
        parent = {s: None}
    for u in self.adj(s):
        if u not in parent:
            parent[u] = s
            self.DFS_visit(u, parent)
    return parent
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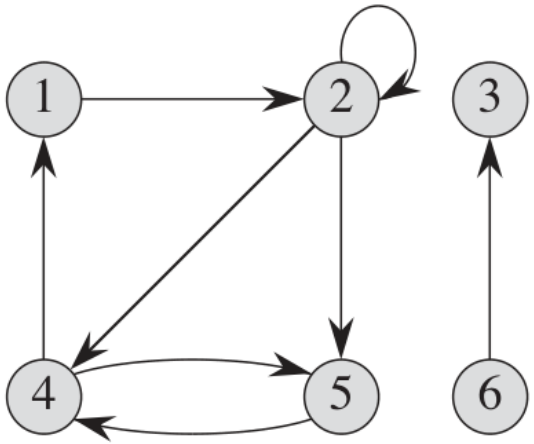

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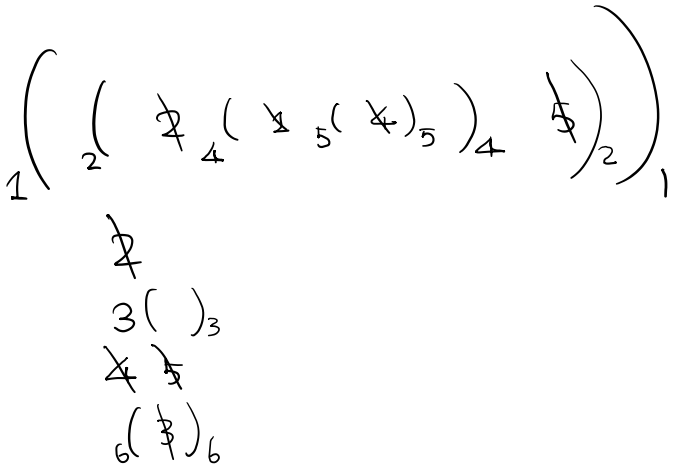

```
def DFS(self):
    parent = {}
    for s in self.vertices:
        if s not in parent:
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            self.DFS_visit(s, parent)
    return parent
```

Edge classification (DFS starting from s)

- Tree edge (generated by parent pointers)
- Forward edge (pointing from ancestor to descendant，孙)
- Back edge (pointing from descendant to ancestor，爷)
- Cross edge (connecting distinct subtrees，表 or no relation)

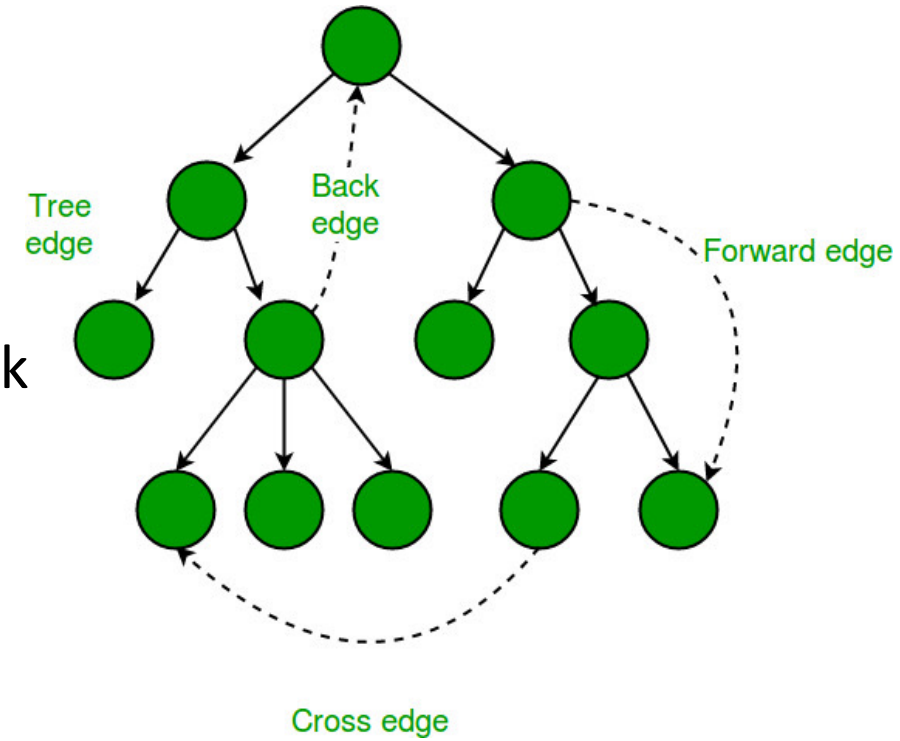
Cycle detection:

In DFS: back edge ⇔ cycle

How to?

keep an explicit visit stack

test if pointing to edge in stack

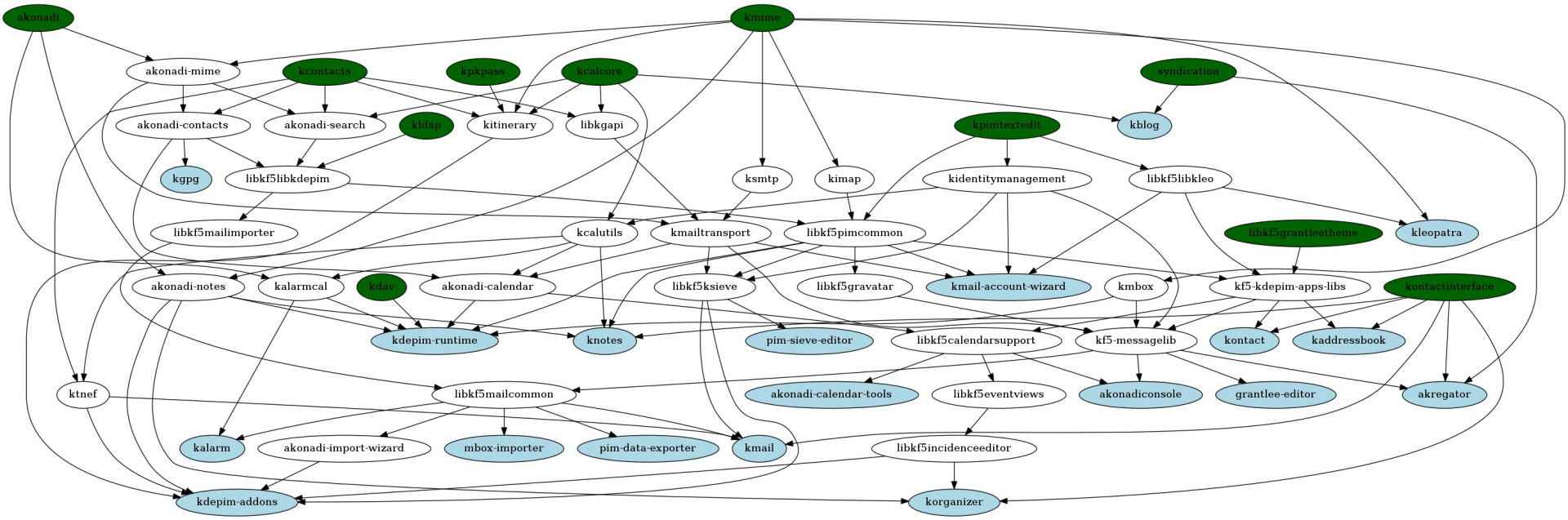


BFS vs DFS (each simplest version):

- Property differences:
  - BFS can find shortest path; DFS cannot.
  - DFS can find back edge (cycle); BFS cannot (why?)
  - DFS can do topological sort (next slide); BFS cannot
- Performance differences:
  - If some solutions are close to root, BFS
  - If solutions are deep but frequent, DFS

Section 5. Topological Sort

KDE dependency



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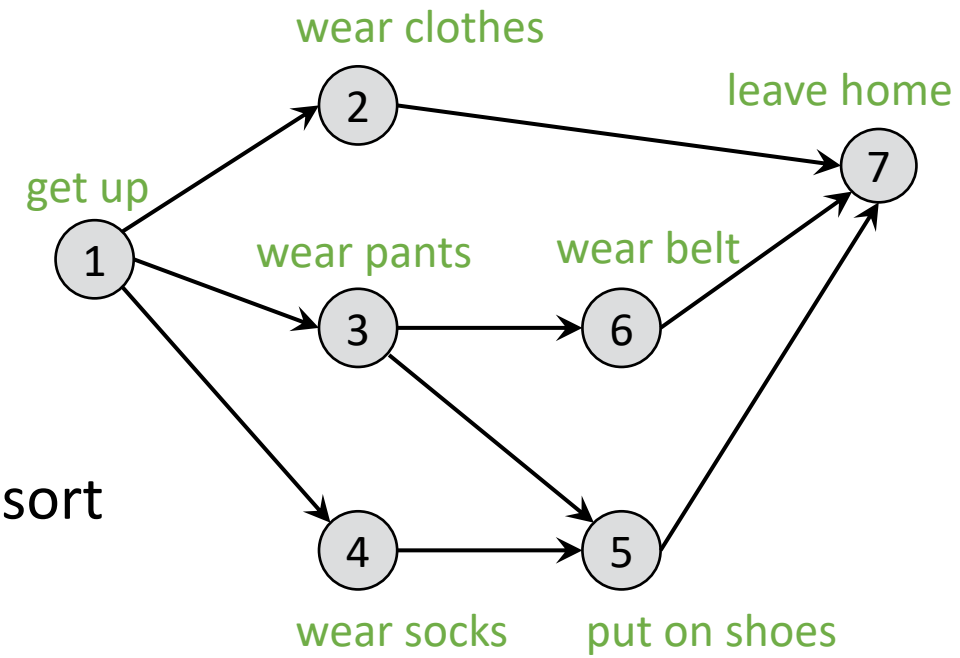

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How to plan what to do from the diagram?

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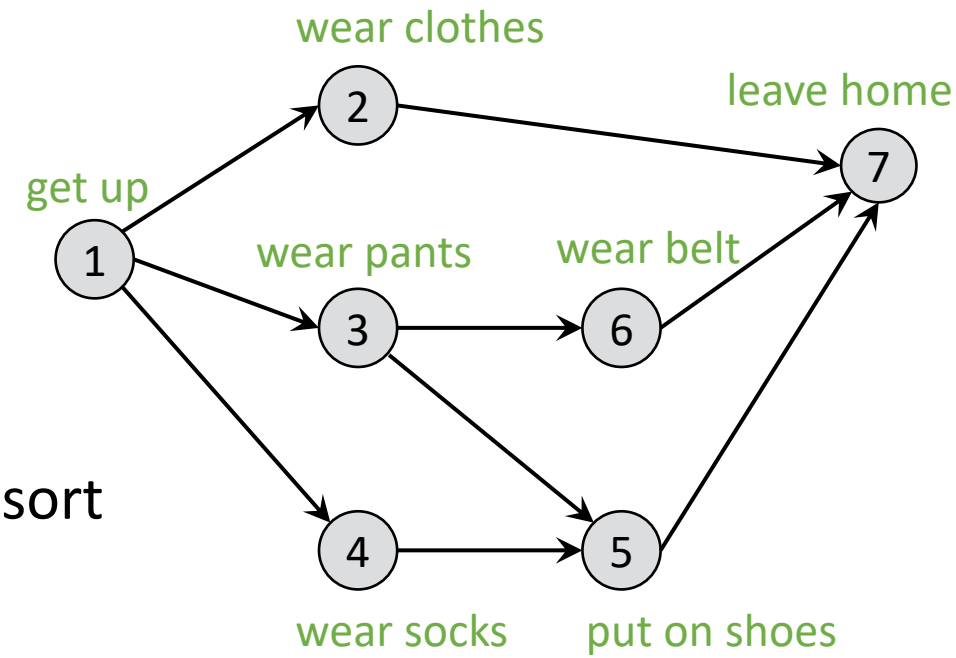

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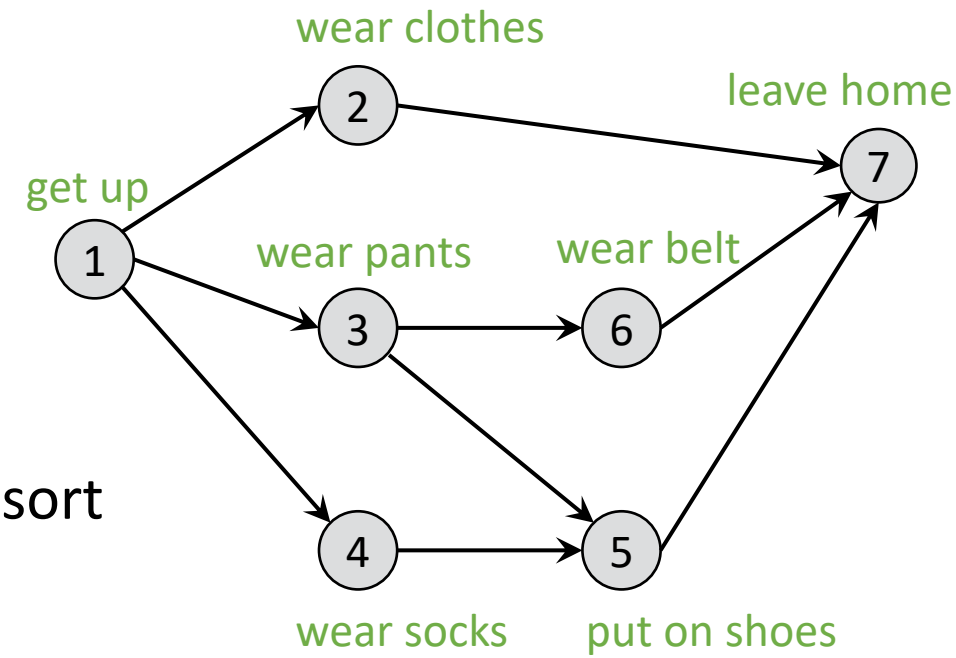

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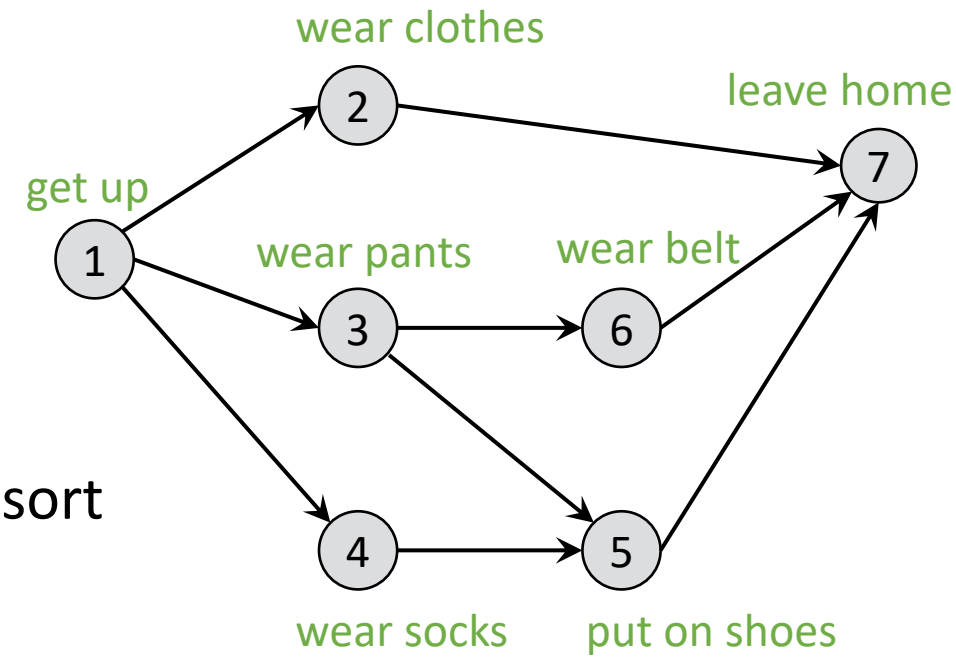

cal sort

Why this "magic" can work?

DFS: If there are multiple arrows pointing to a vertex (e.g. 7) (i.e. it has to wait multiple things (e.g. 2 5 6) before being done), then DFS make sure to visit it in the stack of the first thing (e.g. 2).

When 7 exits, we are sure that none of 2, 5, 6 has exited.

Then by reversed order, all prerequisite are done.

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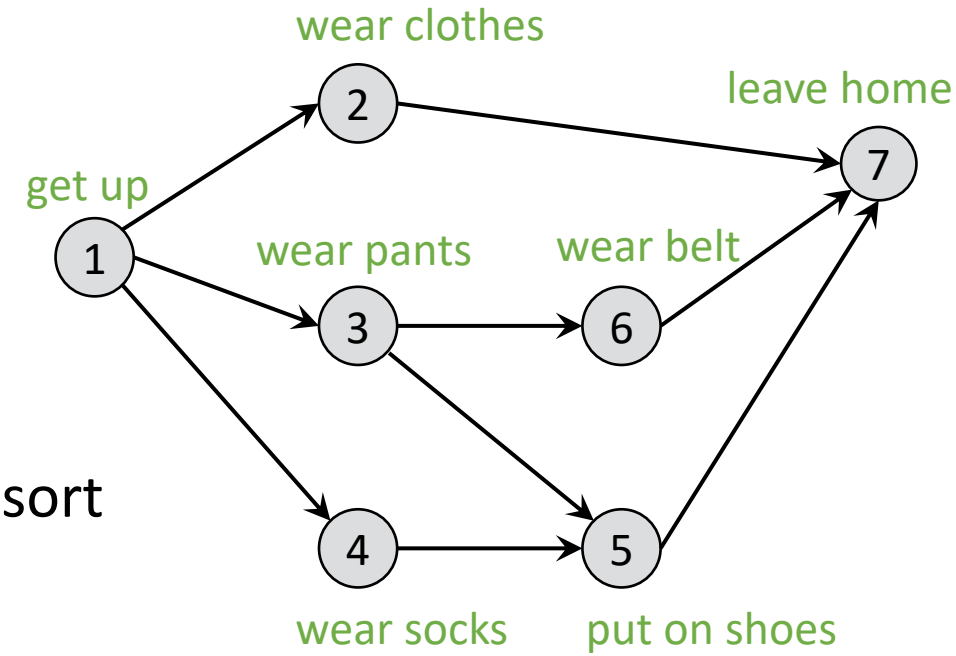
More generally, start from any node, do DFS and print exit order

If the whole graph is not visited, start from another node and to DFS until whole graph is visited.



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Another algorithm for topological sort: Kahn's algorithm

Idea: Repeatedly find nodes without incoming edges, and remove them

```
def Kahn(self):
    # Pseudo code from https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Topological_sorting
    # Did not optimize. Use adj_dict should be better
    L = []
    edges = self.edges[:] # make a copy since we will remove edges
    nodes_with_incoming_edges = [e[1] for e in edges]
    S = [v for v in self.vertices if v not in nodes_with_incoming_edges]
    while S:
        n = S.pop()
        L.append(n)
        edges_from_n = [e for e in edges if e[0] == n]
        nodes_with_edges_from_n = [e[1] for e in edges_from_n]
        for m in nodes_with_edges_from_n:
            edges = [e for e in edges if e != [n, m]]
            if m not in [e[1] for e in edges]:
                S.append(m)
    return "Graph has at least one cycle." if edges else L
```

Both algorithms: O(|V|+|E|).

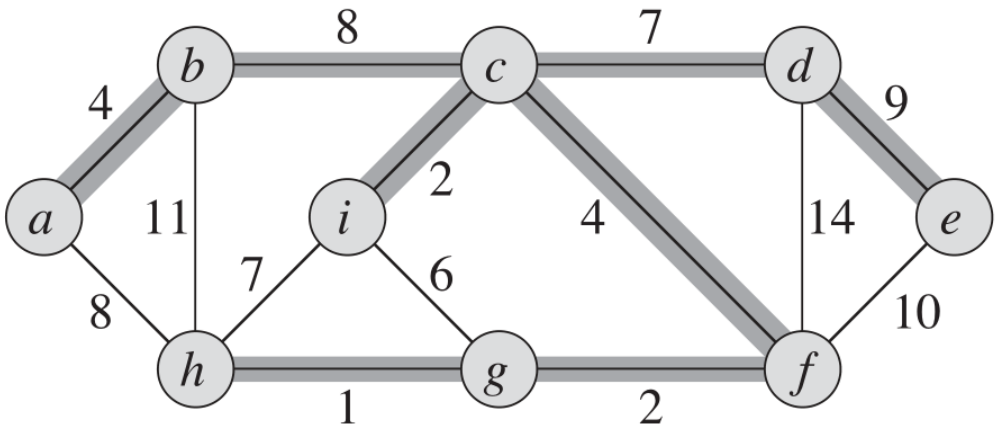
Why do we care about topological sort?

(1) Of its own importance

(2) Dynamic programming

Section 6. Minimum Spanning Tree

Minimum Spanning Tree



For weighted & undirected diagram,

find a subset of edges to connect all vertices with minimal total weight

GENERIC-MST(G, w)

1 $A = \emptyset$
2 **while** A does not form a spanning tree
3 find an edge (u, v) that is safe for A
4 $A = A \cup \{(u, v)\}$
5 **return** A

Safe: A U {(u, v)} is still a subset of a minimum spanning tree.

How to find an edge safe for A?

- Kruskal: add edges to merge sub-trees
- Prim: add best vertices to one tree

Kruskal: add smallest edges & merge trees

```
MST-KRUSKAL(G, w)          # G: graph, w: weight
1  A = ∅                   # The set of edges that finally makes the MST
2  for each vertex v ∈ G.V
3      MAKE-SET(v)         # make a tree for each vertex
4  sort the edges of G.E into nondecreasing order by weight w   # greedy
5  for each edge (u, v) ∈ G.E, taken in nondecreasing order by weight
6      if FIND-SET(u) ≠ FIND-SET(v)     # if same tree, will form loop
7          A = A ∪ {(u, v)}
8          UNION(u, v)     # merge two trees
9  return A
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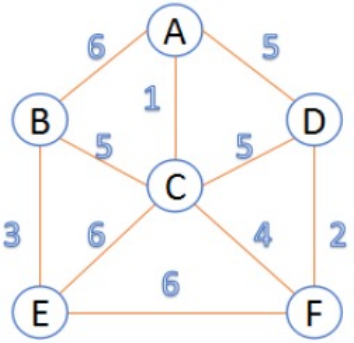

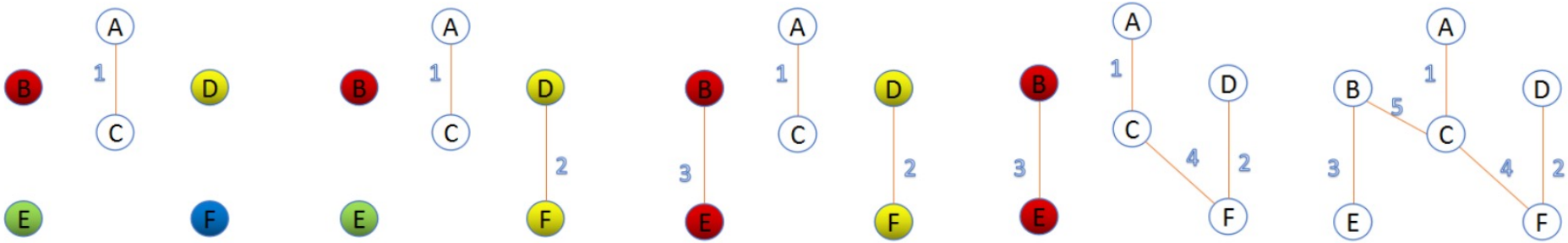

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Prim: add vertex with minimal distance to *one tree*, until tree spanning graph

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MST-PRIM(G, w, r)      # r: any given root vertex
 1  for each u ∈ G.V
 2      u.key = ∞       # key: minimal distance to the existing tree
 3      u.π = NIL       # π: parent of u in the tree
 4  r.key = 0
 5  Q = G.V             # Q: vertices to be added, min-priority queue
 6  while Q ≠ ∅
 7      u = EXTRACT-MIN(Q)
 8      for each v ∈ G.Adj[u]
 9          if v ∈ Q and w(u, v) < v.key
10              v.π = u
11              v.key = w(u, v)
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minimal distance to the so far constructed tree

update distances to tree (also update Q)

Time complexity:

O(V * Extract-Min + E * Decrease-Key)

May use min-heap:
O(V lg V + E lg V)
Fibonacci heap:
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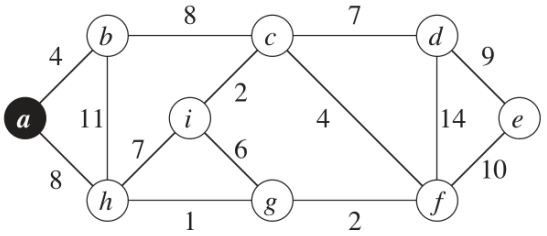
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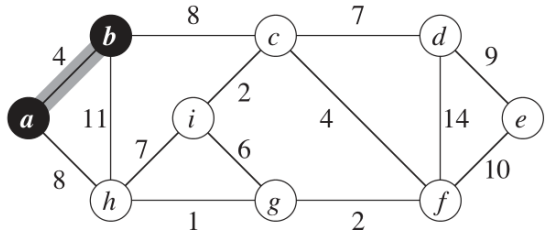
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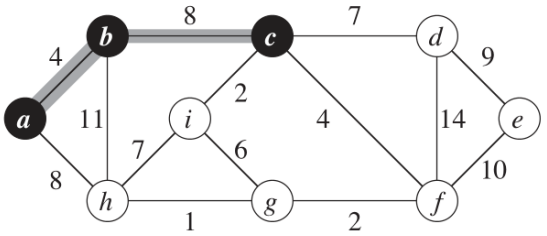
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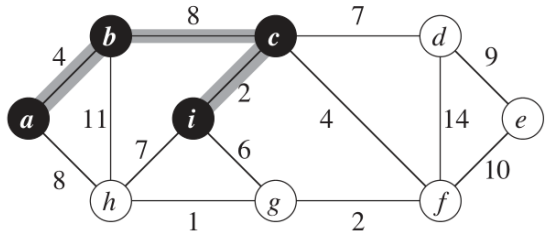
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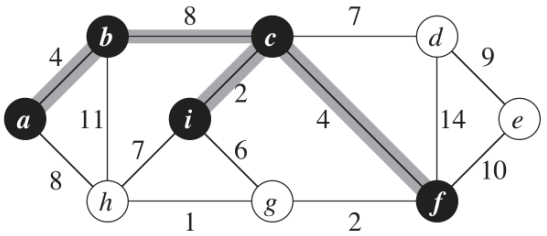
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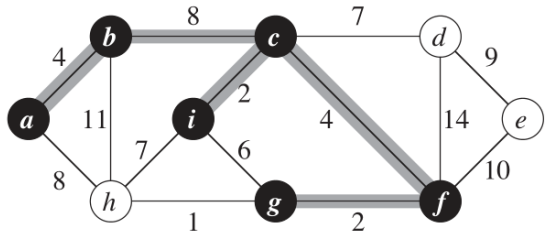
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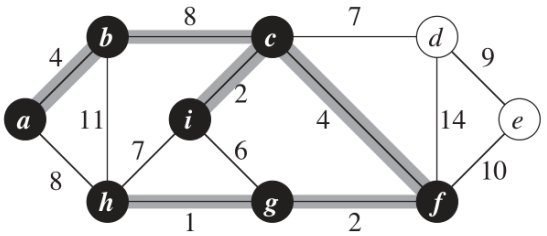
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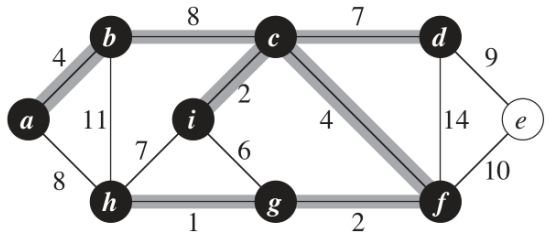
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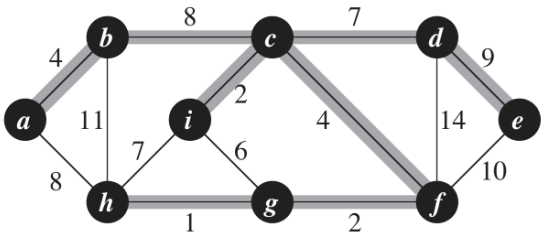
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Section 7. Shortest path problem starting from one vertex

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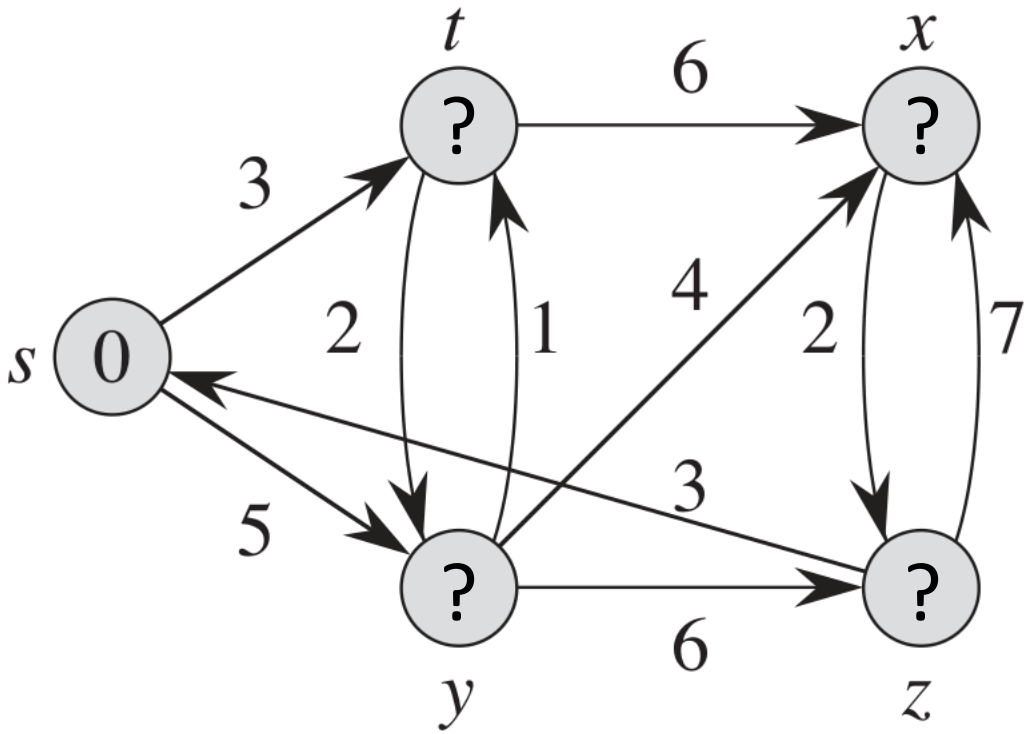
Given the weights labelled on the graph,

what's the shortest path from s to t, x, y, z?

from s to v:
$\delta(s, v)$



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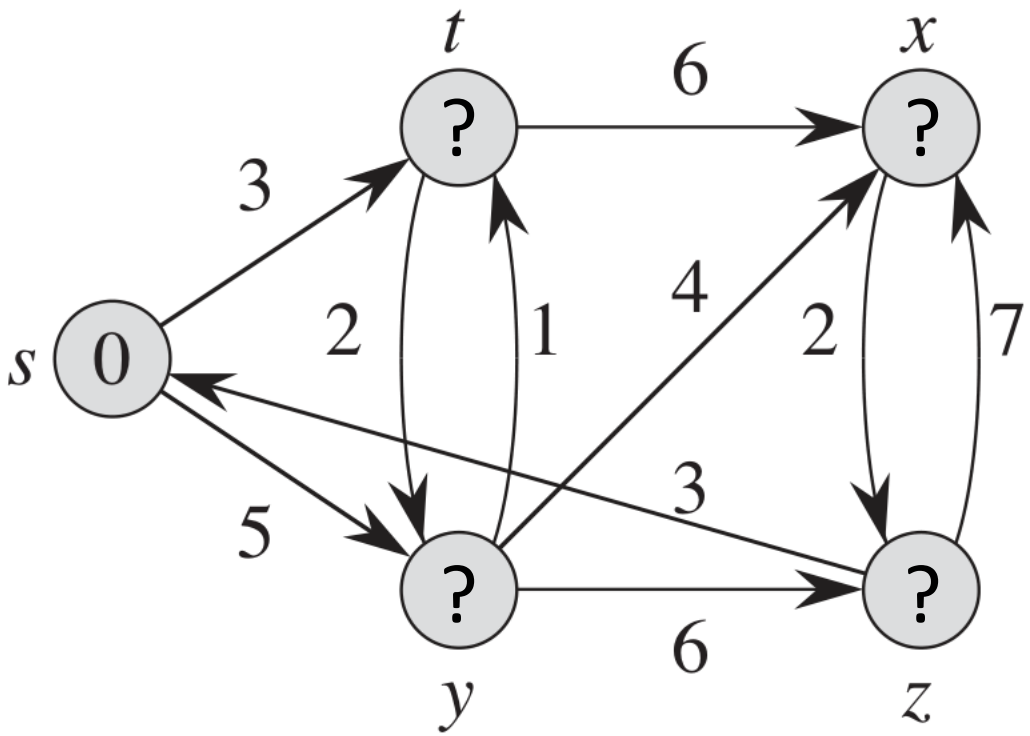
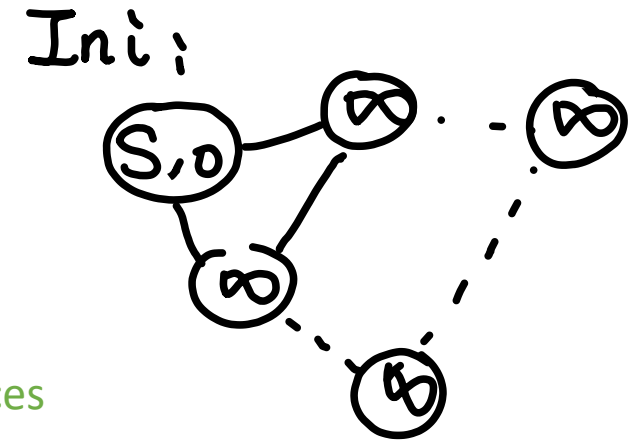
Naïve solution: enumerate all paths & compare.
Problem 1: cycles
Problem 2: exponential complexity
Can we do better?



The idea of relaxation:

Starting from the worst estimate



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4  s.d = 0                      # start from s, thus s has no distance to itself
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Try to improve the estimate: look at its neighbour, can it give us a better estimate?

RELAX(u, v, w)

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1  if v.d > u.d + w(u, v)       # Better: make the change
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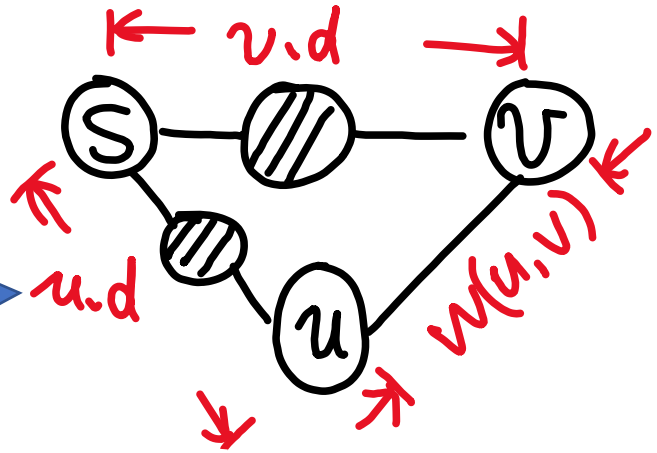

Relaxation: If shorter:
Hey, I found a better way.
Let's update our knowledge.

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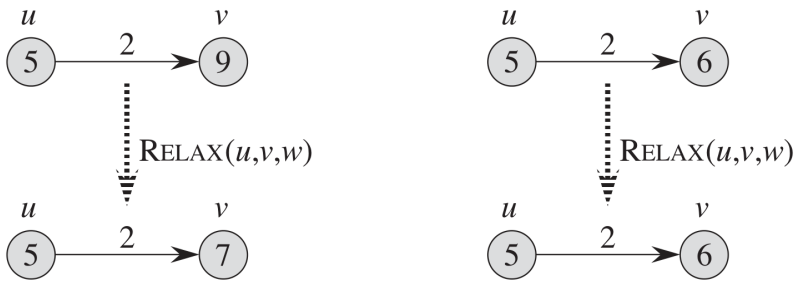

Idea: keep doing relaxation, until find shortest paths

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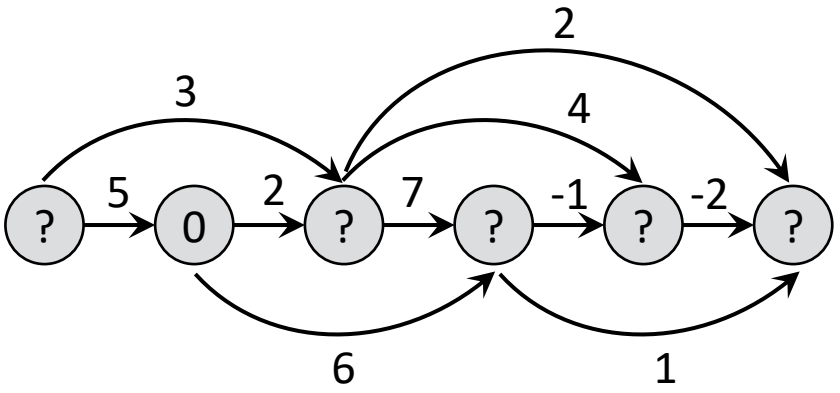
Idea:

1. Topologically sort
2. Relax: for each vertex in topological order,
   relax all edges from this vertex



Result of topological sort

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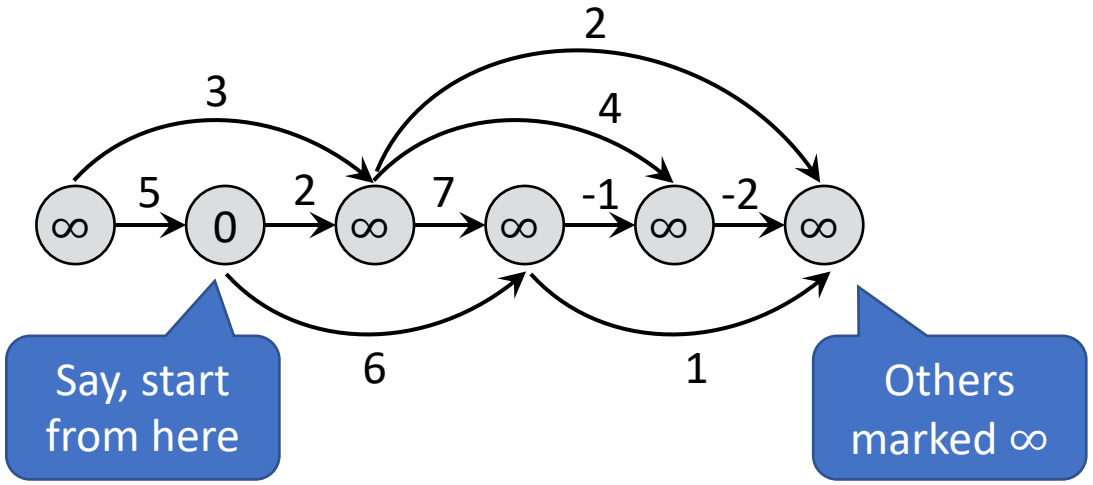

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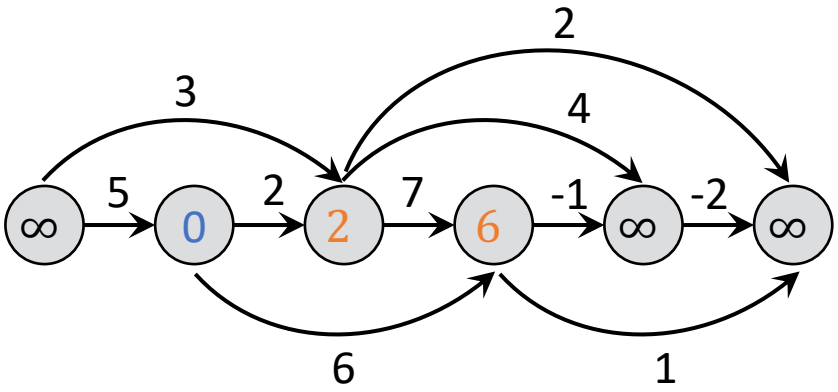

Relax the edges starting from s

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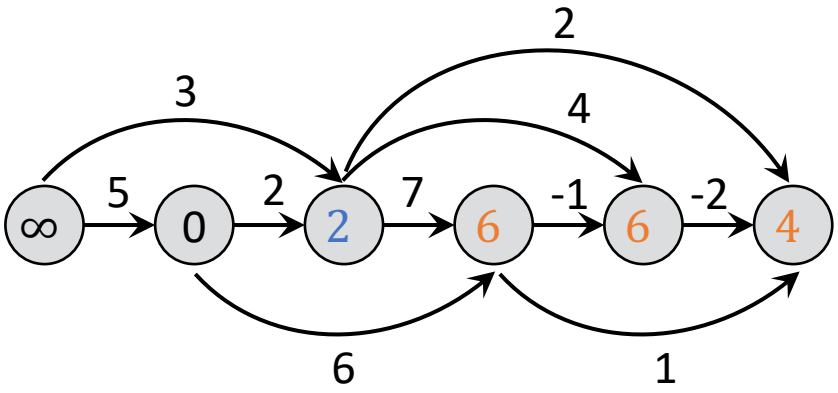

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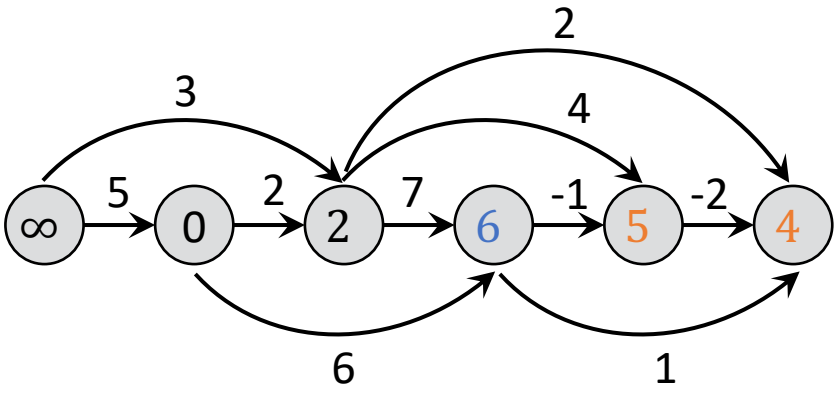

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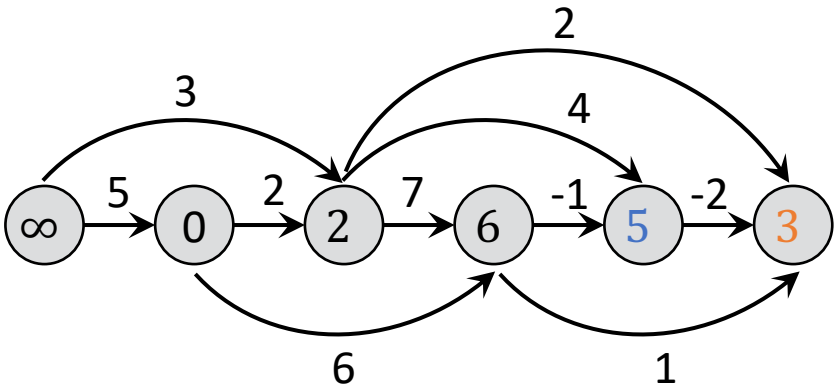

Relax the next vertex, until reaches the last one

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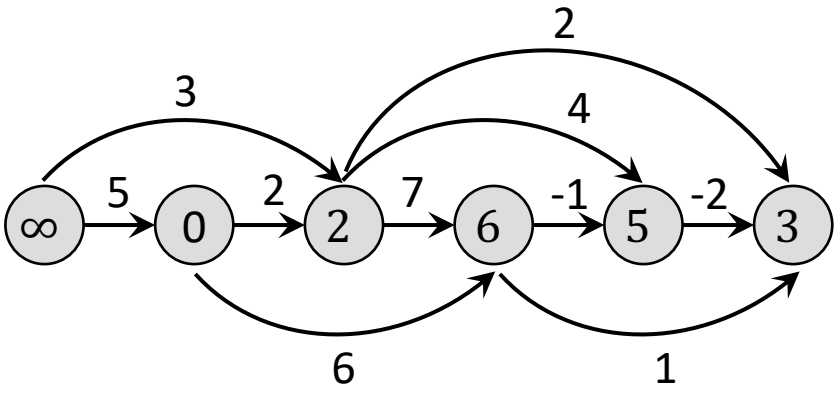

Time complexity: O(V+E)

This algorithm is related to dynamic programming (more later)

Example 2: Shortest Path without negative weight (Dijkstra)

Idea: similar to Prim algorithm of minimal spanning tree

Find easiest-to-get places from s first.

Then next-easiest-to-get places, …

If no negative edges, already explored part won't change.

Example 2: Shortest Path without negative weight (Dijkstra)

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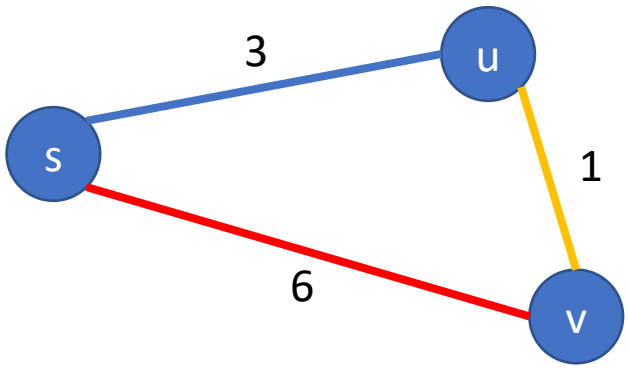

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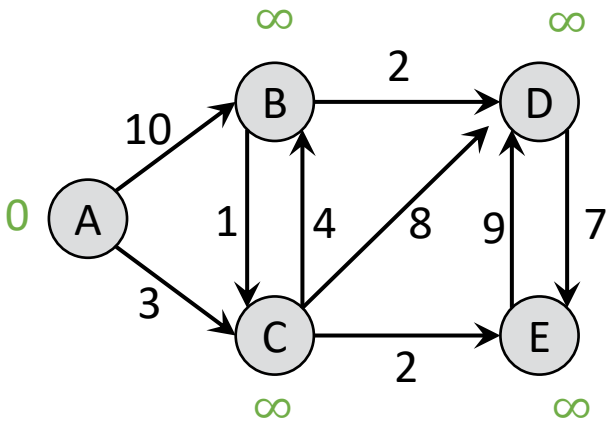

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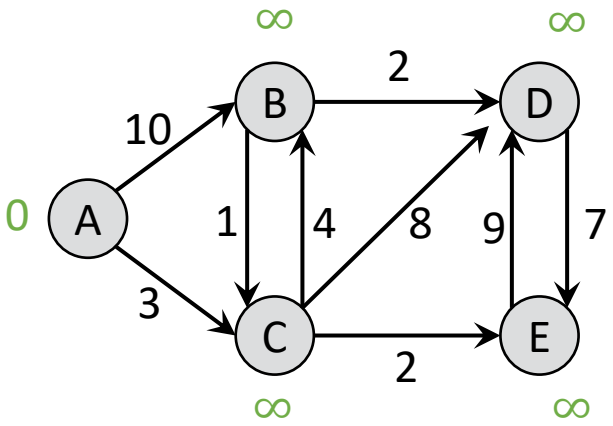

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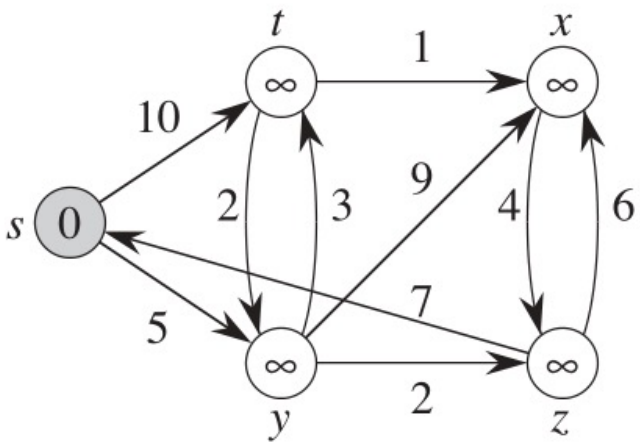

Time complexity:

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May use min-heap:
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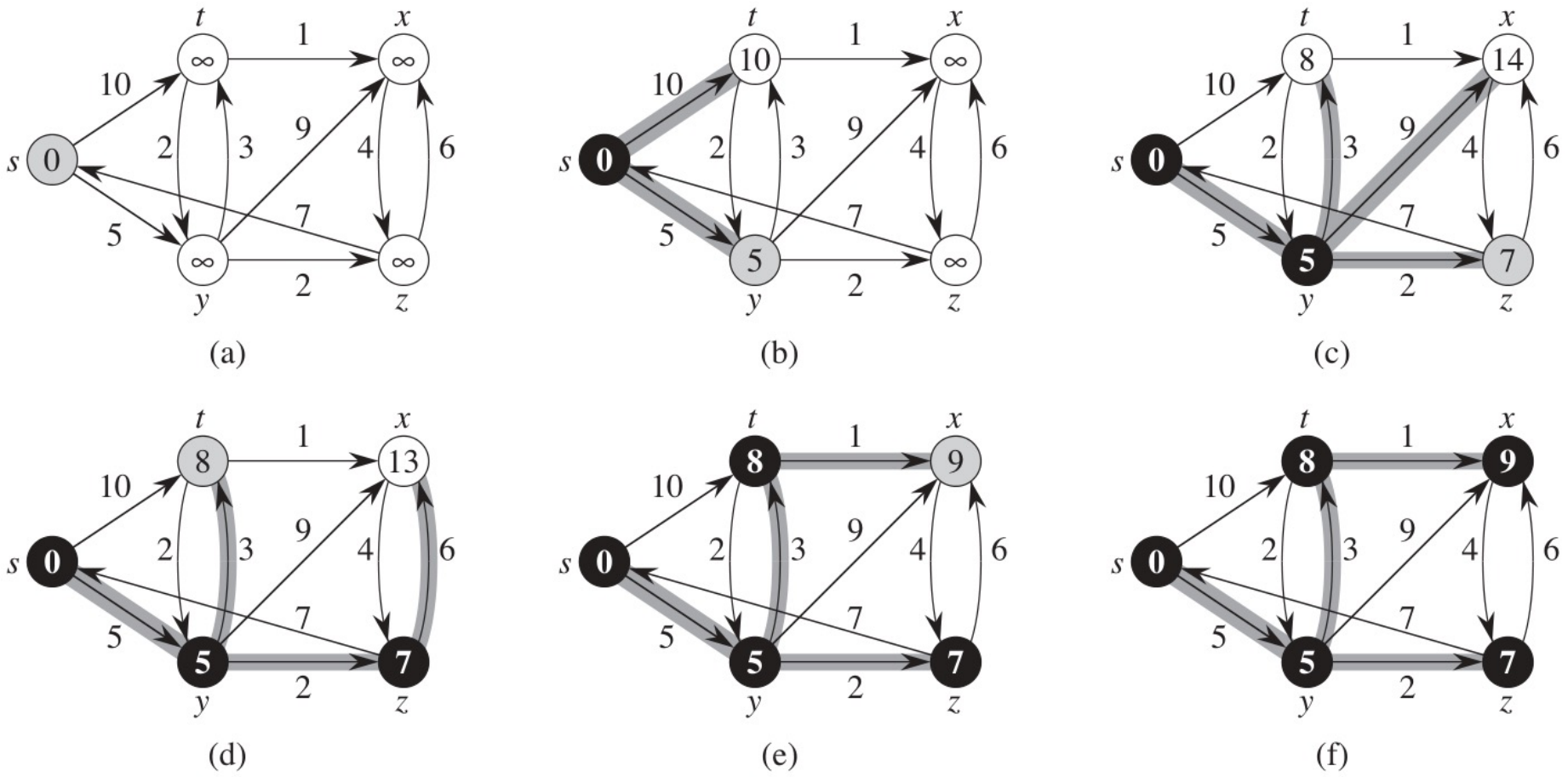
Fibonacci heap:
O(V lg V + E)



Note: no negative edge →

vertex being relaxed won't change vertex already relaxed

More generally: With negative edges? Bellman-Ford

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BELLMAN-FORD(G, w, s)
1  INITIALIZE-SINGLE-SOURCE(G, s)
2  for i = 1 to |G.V| − 1
3      for each edge (u, v) ∈ G.E
4          RELAX(u, v, w)                    # Just relax VE times: O(VE)
5  for each edge (u, v) ∈ G.E
6      if v.d > u.d + w(u, v)
7          return FALSE                      # if it's still possible to relax,
8  return TRUE                               report negative weight cycles
```

Use Dijkstra if possible. Use Bellman-Ford otherwise.

How this works? Roughly:

Assume no negative cycles, and assume

p = <v0, v1, v2, …, vn> is a shortest path with minimal number of edges.

Then first pass -> find <v0, v1>, second pass -> find <v0, v1, v2>, etc.

This algorithm is related to dynamic programming (more later)

Recap: Graph Related Algorithms

Visit: BFS, DFS

Minimal Spanning Tree

Shortest Path: for DAG, non-negative weight, general