

Introduction to Graph Algorithms

Given a graph $G(V, E)$, it can be represented in two ways

① Adjacency-List Representation

consists of

- An array A of $|V|$ lists, one for each vertex in V
- $\forall u \in V$, $A[u]$ contains pointers to all vertices v such that $(u, v) \in E$
- The vertices in A are typically stored in an arbitrary order

② Adjacency-Matrix Representation

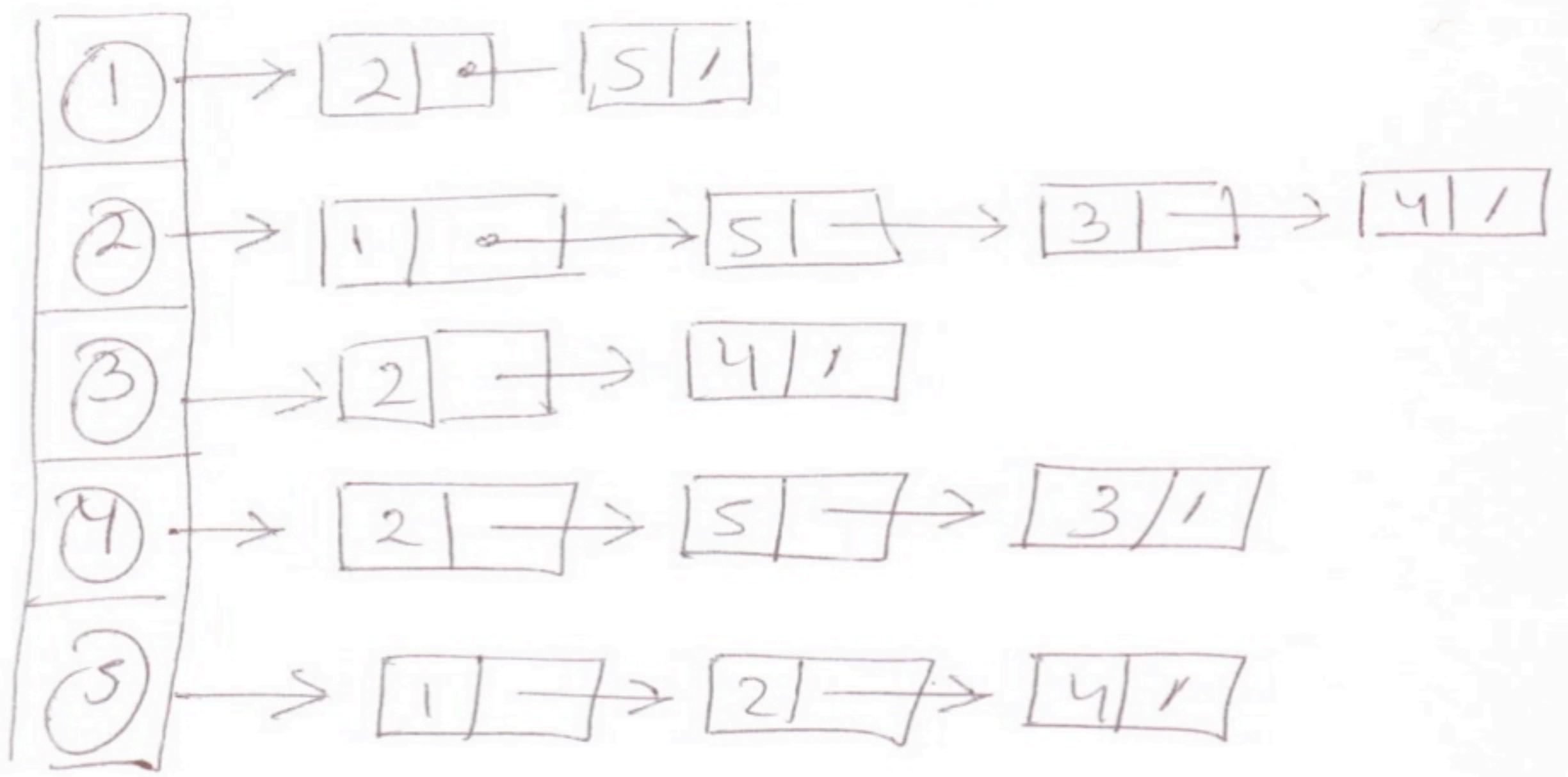
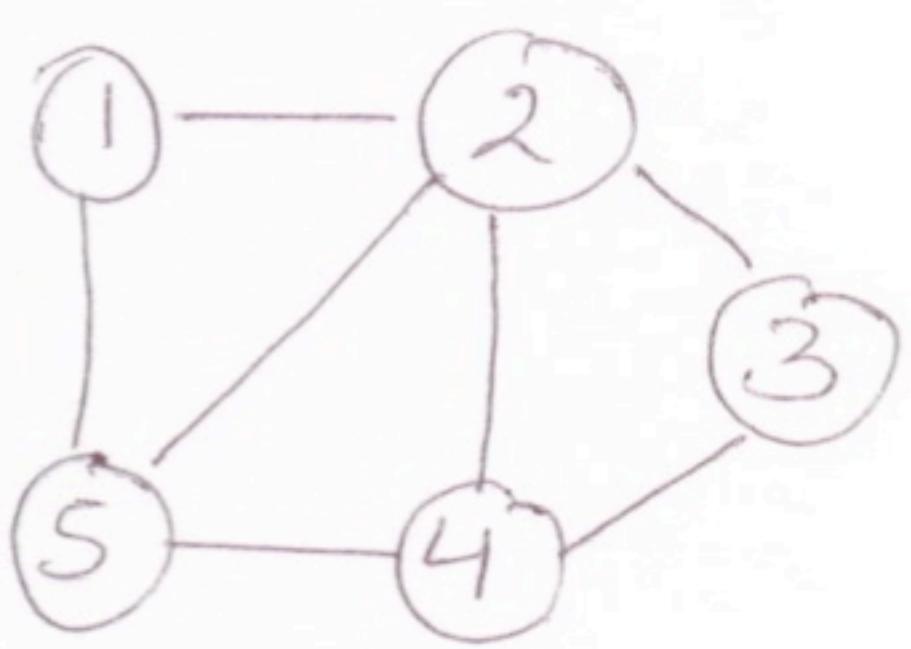
Given $G(V, E)$, assume numbering of vertices as $1, 2, \dots, |V|$ in an arbitrary manner

The adjacency matrix representation

is given by a matrix ~~Adj~~ $Adj = (a_{ij})$ of size $|V| \times |V|$:

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (i, j) \in E \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

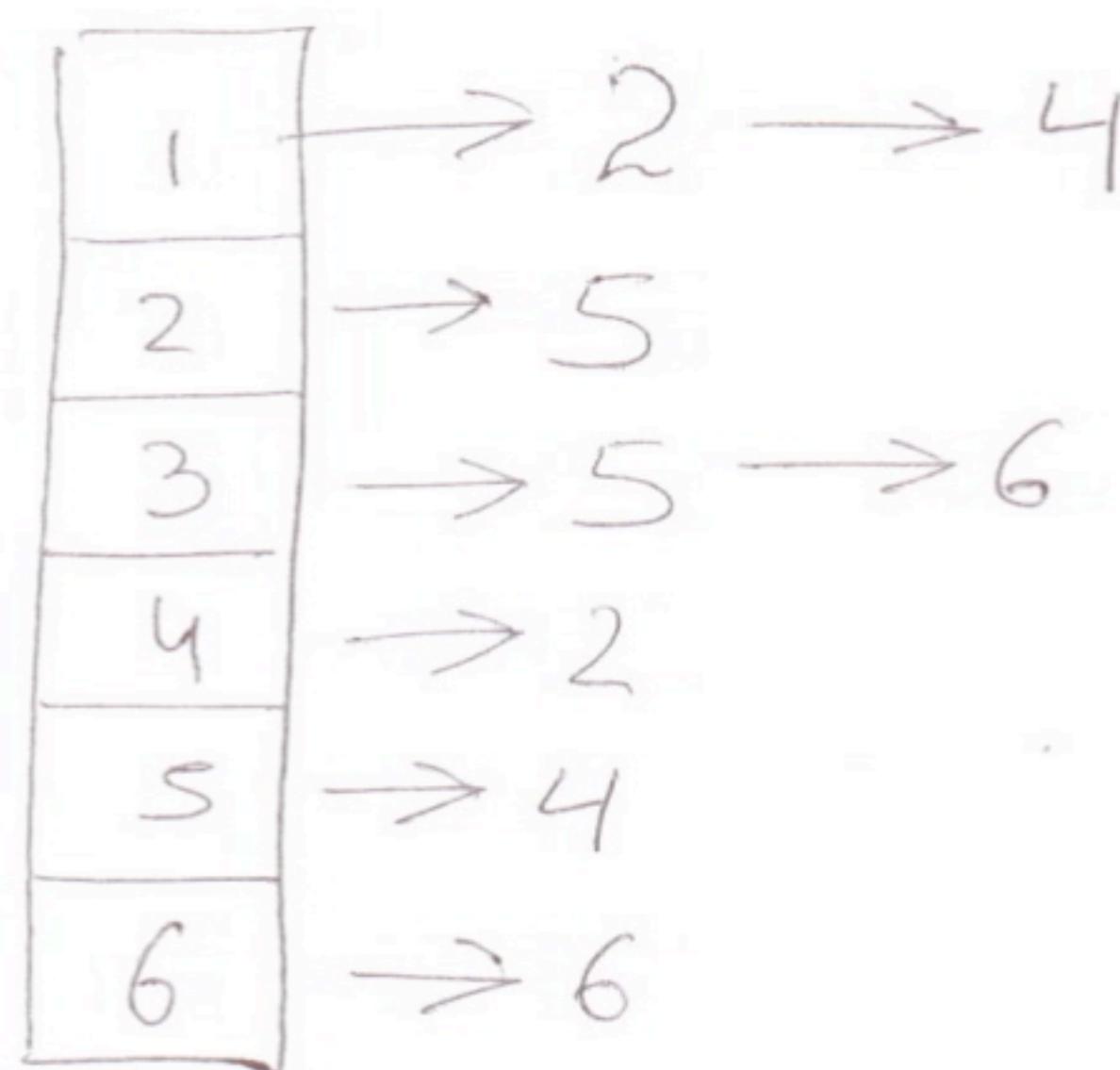
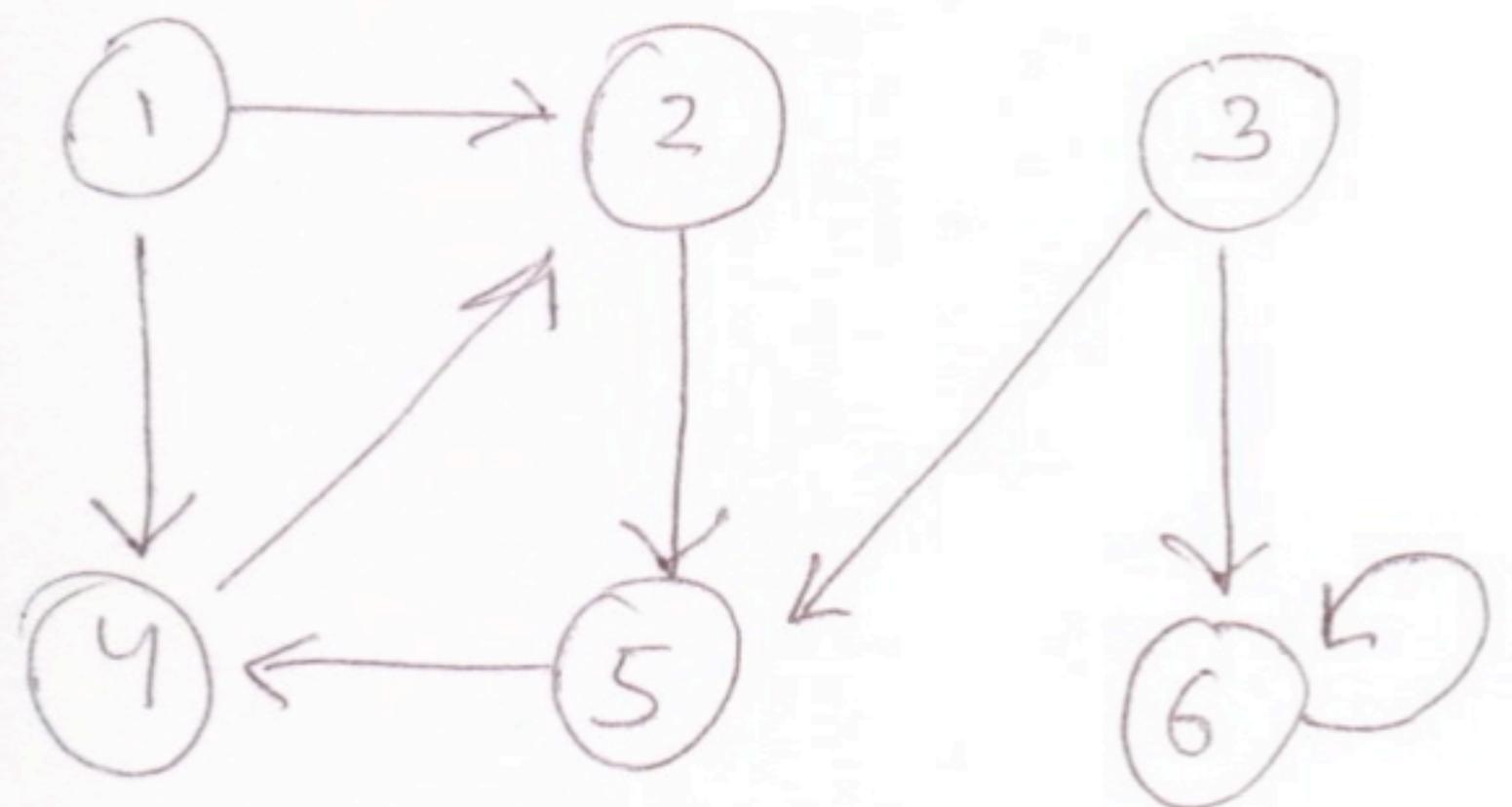
Example



Adjacency List

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

For a directed graph



| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

Properties

- IF G is a directed graph
 - sum of lengths of all adjacency lists is $|E|$
- IF G is undirected graph
 - sum is $2|E|$
- Amount of memory required by the adjacency list is $O(V+E)$
- Search presence of edge (u,v) in Adjacency list representation requires (assuming we know, $u,v \in V$)
 - searching the adjacency list of u ($\Theta(V)$)
- In an adjacency matrix this can be done in $O(1)$ time
- adjacency matrix requires $\Theta(V^2)$ memory independent of the number of edges.
- adjacency matrix is wasteful for sparsely connected graphs.

Questions

Defn

In-degree : Number of edges pointing to a given vertex

out-degree : Number of edges pointing out of a given vertex.

Given a directed graph $G(V, E)$ and its adjacency list representation

① How long does it take to compute the out-degree of every vertex
 $O(E)$

② Compute the in-degree of every vertex.
- Simple : in-degree of 1 vertex is $O(1)$
of V vertices $O(V)$

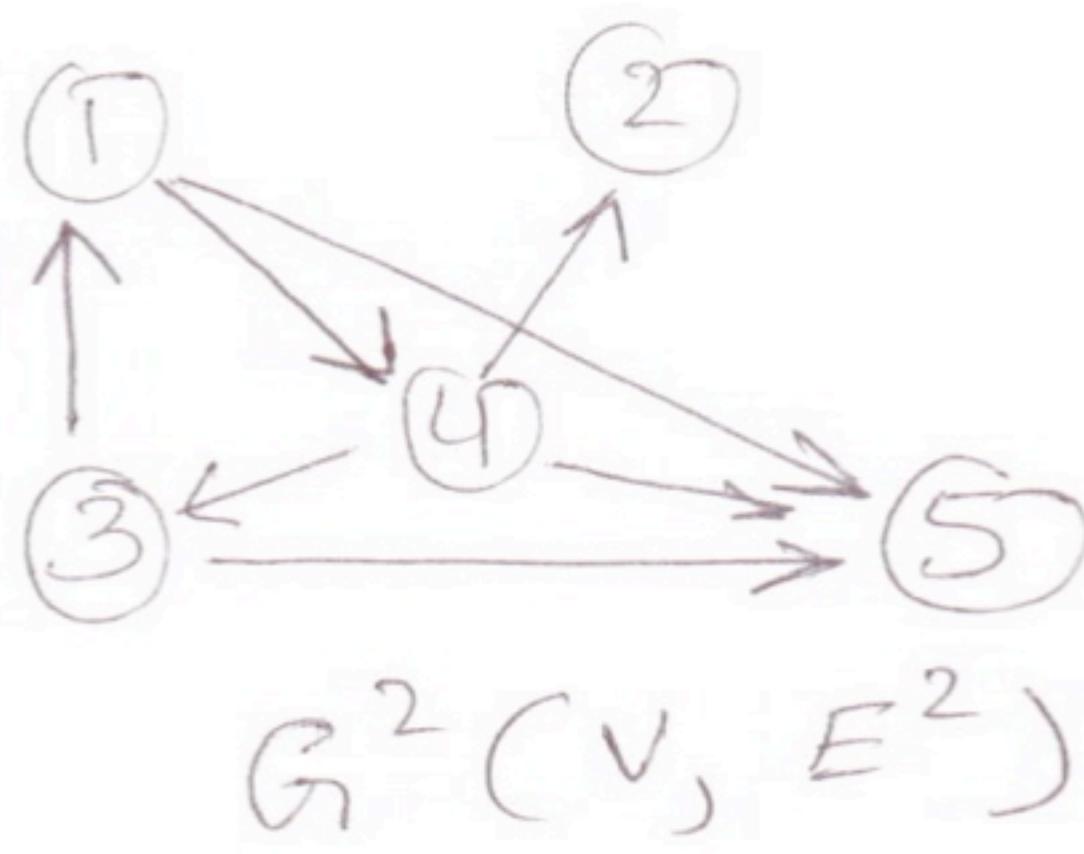
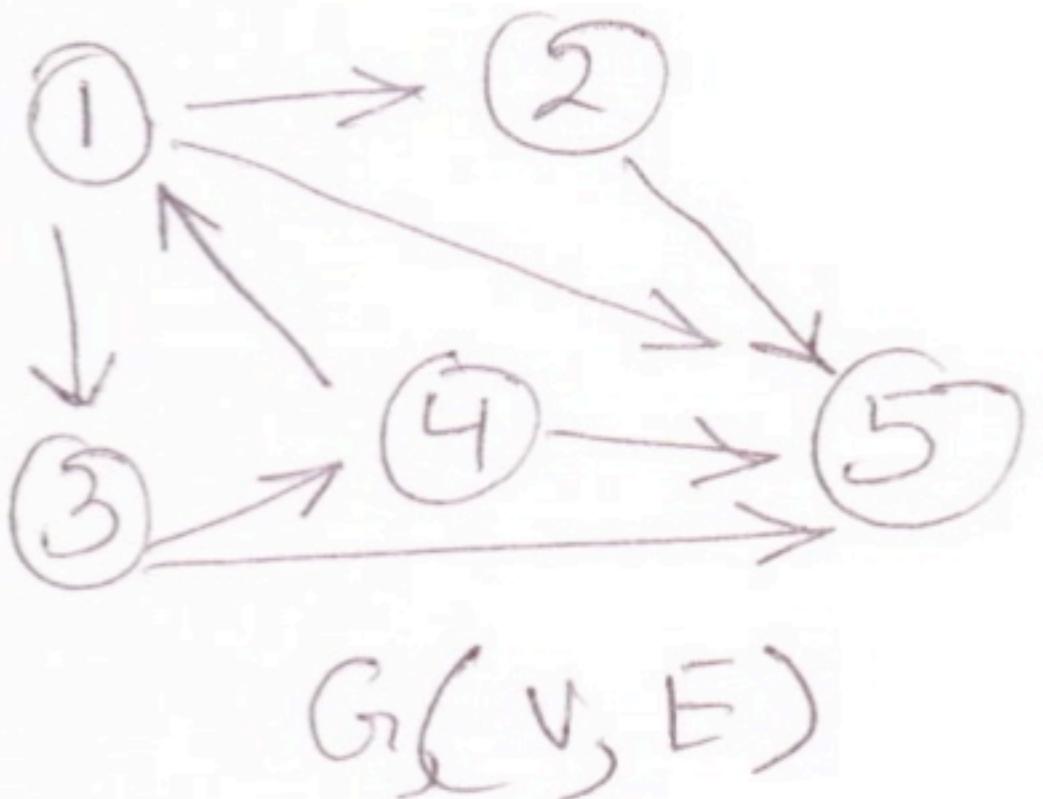
- Refined : Maintain an array of size $|V|$
Traverse the adj-list representation
and update the array whenever
the correspond vertex is in the
adjacency list of any vertex.
 $O(E)$

Question

Computing the square of a directed graph. $G(V, E)$ is
 $G^2 = (V, E^2)$:

$(u, w) \in E^2$ iff for some $v \in V$, both
 $(u, v) \in E$ and $(v, w) \in E$.

That is G^2 contains an edge between u and w whenever
 G has a path with exactly two edges between
 u and w .



Give an efficient algorithm for computing G^2
from G for both adjacency list and adjacency
matrix representations.

For each vertex v in A or adj
do For each element e in the connectivity list of v
do scan the connectivity list of e
update E^2

$O(v^3)$ for connectivity matrix

$O(v) + O(E) + O(E)$?

Breadth-First Search (BFS)

- One of the most fundamental traversal algorithms
 - Used in shortest path algorithms
 - Used in MST algorithms

Idea: Given $G(V, E)$ and a "source" vertex s , BFS searches G to find every vertex reachable from s . It also computes the shortest path (in terms of number of edges) from s to all reachable vertices. It represents this information in a "breadth-first tree" rooted at s .

BFS works on both directed and undirected graphs.

(a) The algorithm is called "breadth-first" because it discovers all vertices at distance k from s before discovering any vertex at distance $k+1$.

(b) BFS uses a coloring scheme for each vertex to track progress (W, G, B): white, gray, black

- All vertices start with color W (white)
- When a vertex is encountered for the first time it is considered "discovered". Once a vertex is discovered, it becomes non-white.

- G and B vertices are therefore discovered.
- To ensure that the search progresses in a breadth-first manner, G and B vertices are distinguished:
 - If $(u, v) \in E$ and u is black, then v is either gray or black.
 - All vertices adjacent to B-vertices have been discovered.
 - G-vertices may have some w-vertices as neighbors and represent the boundary between discovered and undiscovered vertices
- BFS constructs a breadth-first tree, initially containing only s . When a white vertex v is discovered, ~~the edge~~ while scanning the adjacency list of a discovered vertex u , the vertex v and edge (u, v) are added to the tree.
 - u is called the predecessor of v
 - Similarly: if u is on a path from s to v
 - u is an ancestor of v
 - v is a descendant of u

- Let $G(V, E)$ be represented using adjacency list.
- Let the color of each vertex u be stored in $\text{color}[u]$ $\forall u \in V$
- Let the predecessor of u be stored in $\pi[u]$. If u has no predecessor, then $\pi[u] = \text{NIL}$.
- The distance from source s to vertex u is stored in $d[u]$
- The algorithm also uses a FIFO queue (Q) to manage the gray vertices

BFS(G, s)

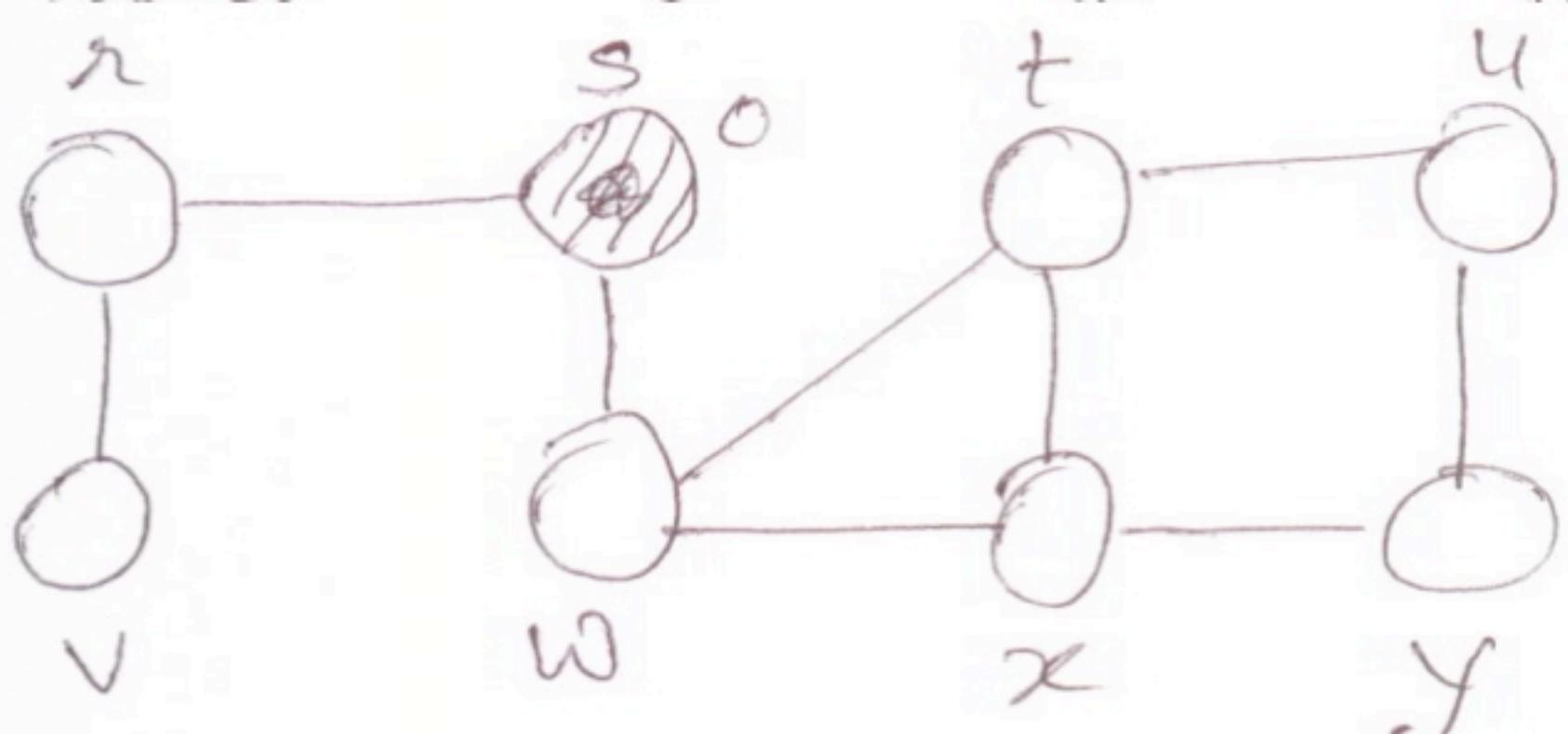
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LINE#
1   For each vertex  $u \in V[G] - \{s\}$  ] Paint every vertex white
2     do  $\text{color}[u] \leftarrow W$ 
3        $d[u] \leftarrow \infty$ 
4        $\pi[u] \leftarrow \text{NIL}$  ] initialize  $d[u]$  and  $\pi[u]$ 

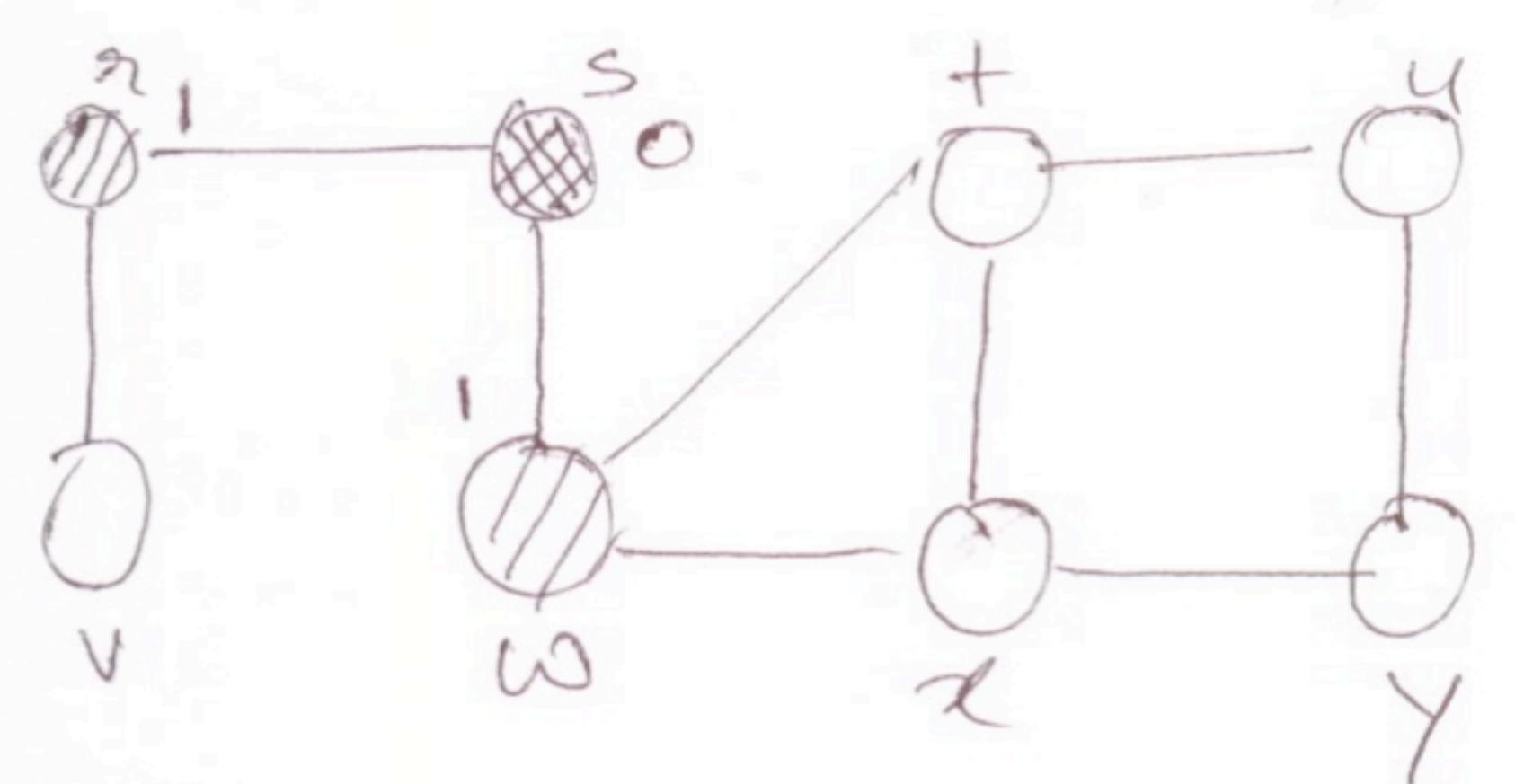
5    $\text{color}[s] \leftarrow G$  ]  $s$  is gray.
6    $d[s] \leftarrow 0$ 
7    $\pi[s] \leftarrow \text{NIL}$ 
8    $Q \leftarrow \{s\}$  ] start with  $s$  in the  $Q$ 
9   while  $Q \neq \emptyset$  Hence for all vertices in  $Q$  will be gray
10  do  $u \leftarrow \text{head}[Q]$ 
11    for each  $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$ 
12      do if  $\text{color}[v] = W$ 
13        then  $\text{color}[v] \leftarrow G$ 
14           $d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + 1$ 
15           $\pi[v] \leftarrow u$ 
16          Enqueue( $Q, v$ )
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18 Dequeue( $Q$ )

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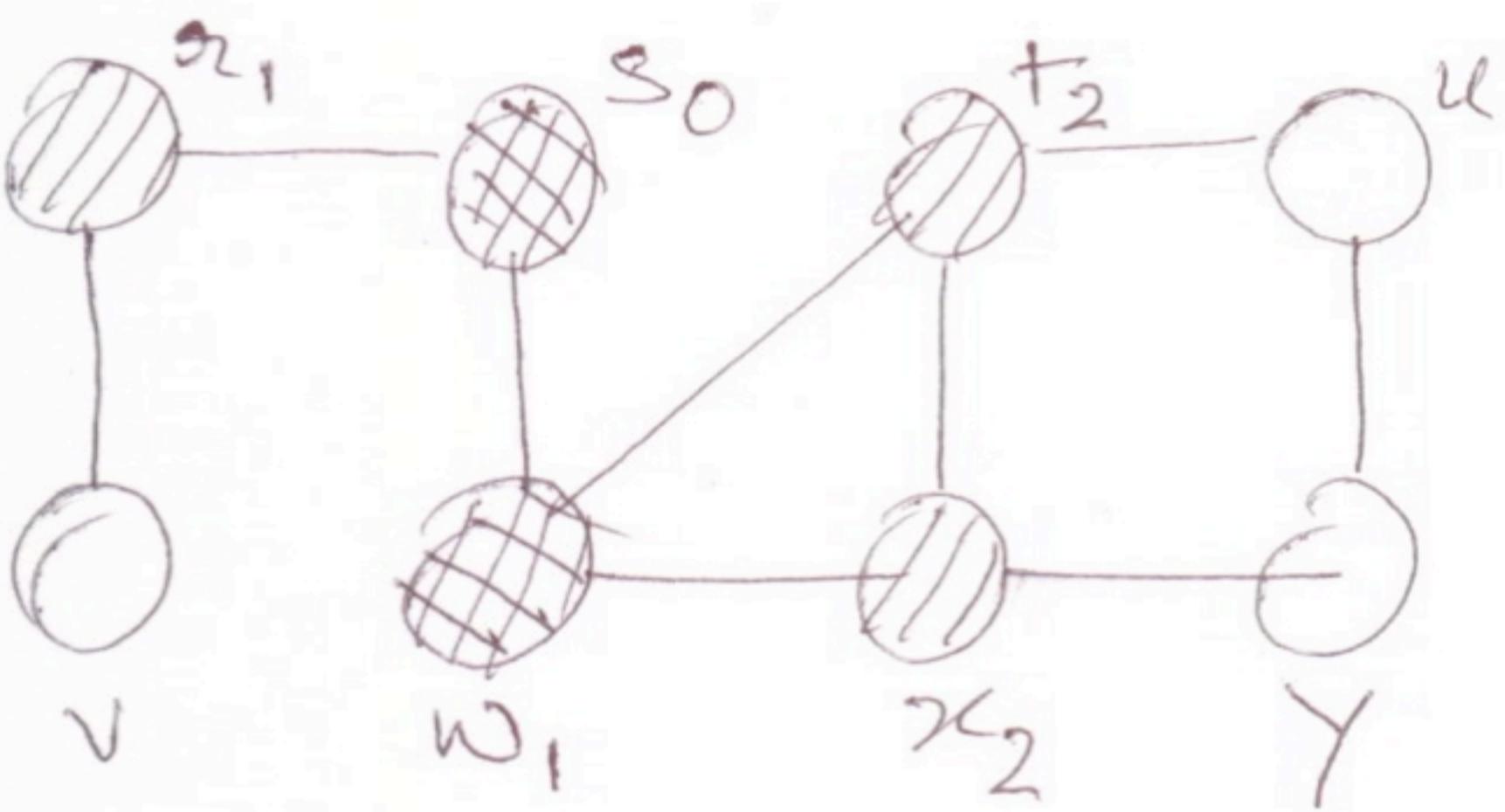
The loop continues till there are vertices (gray) which have not had their adjacency lists examined.



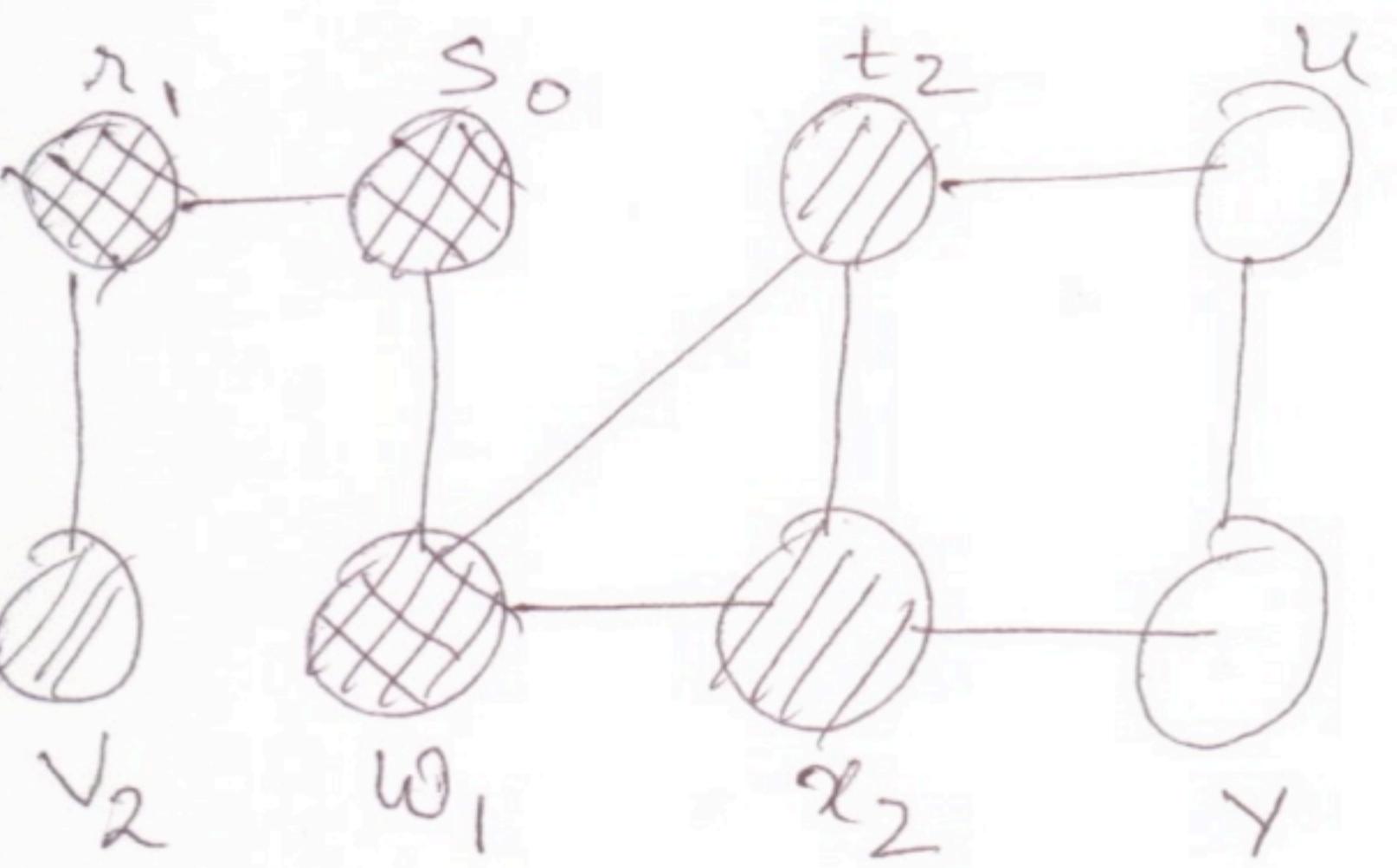
$Q = \{s_0\}$
 $d[s_0] = 0$
 $\pi[s_0] = NIL$



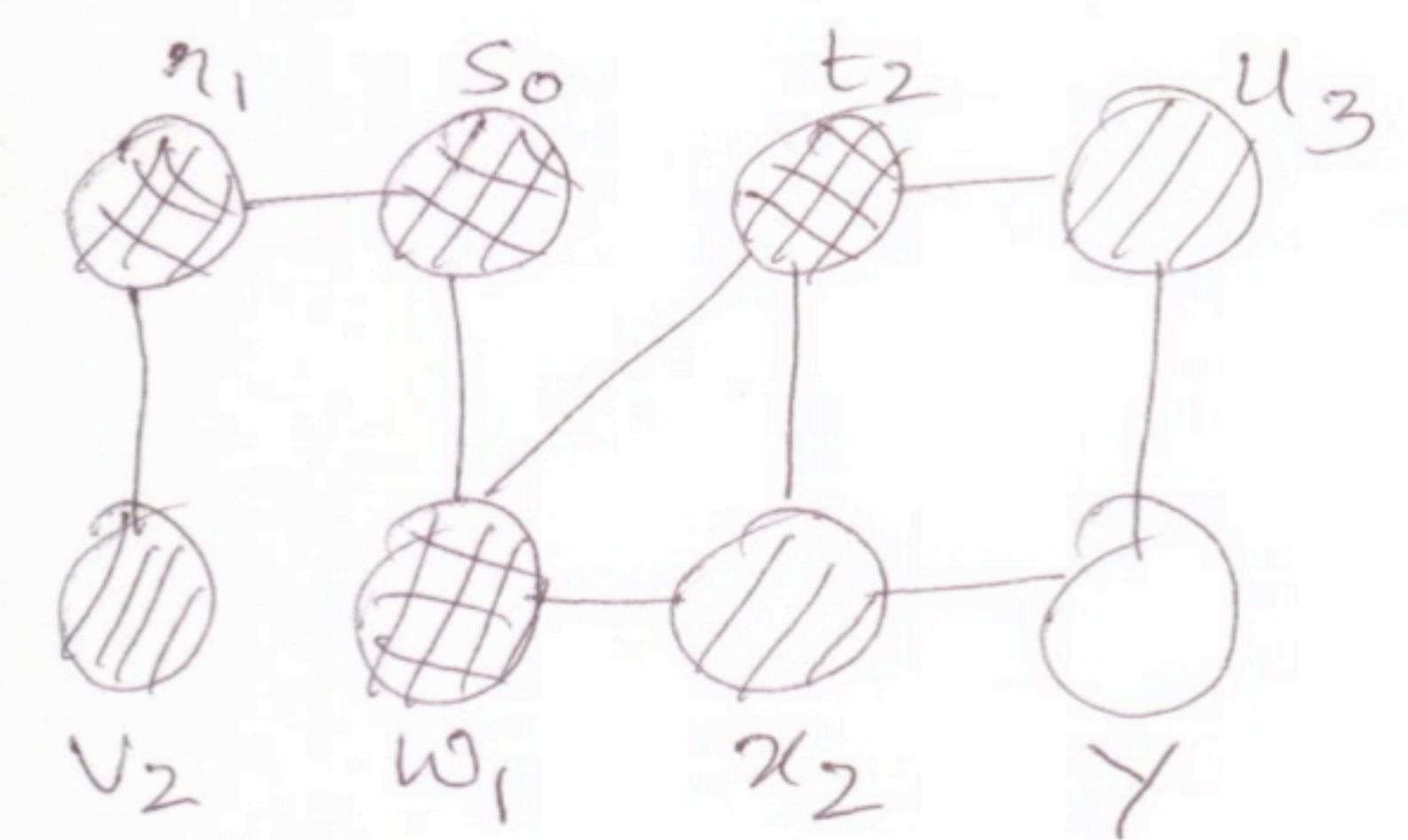
$head = s_0$
 $Q = \{w, r_1\}, head \cancel{=} s_0$
 $\pi(r_1) = s_0$
 $\pi(ws) = s_0$



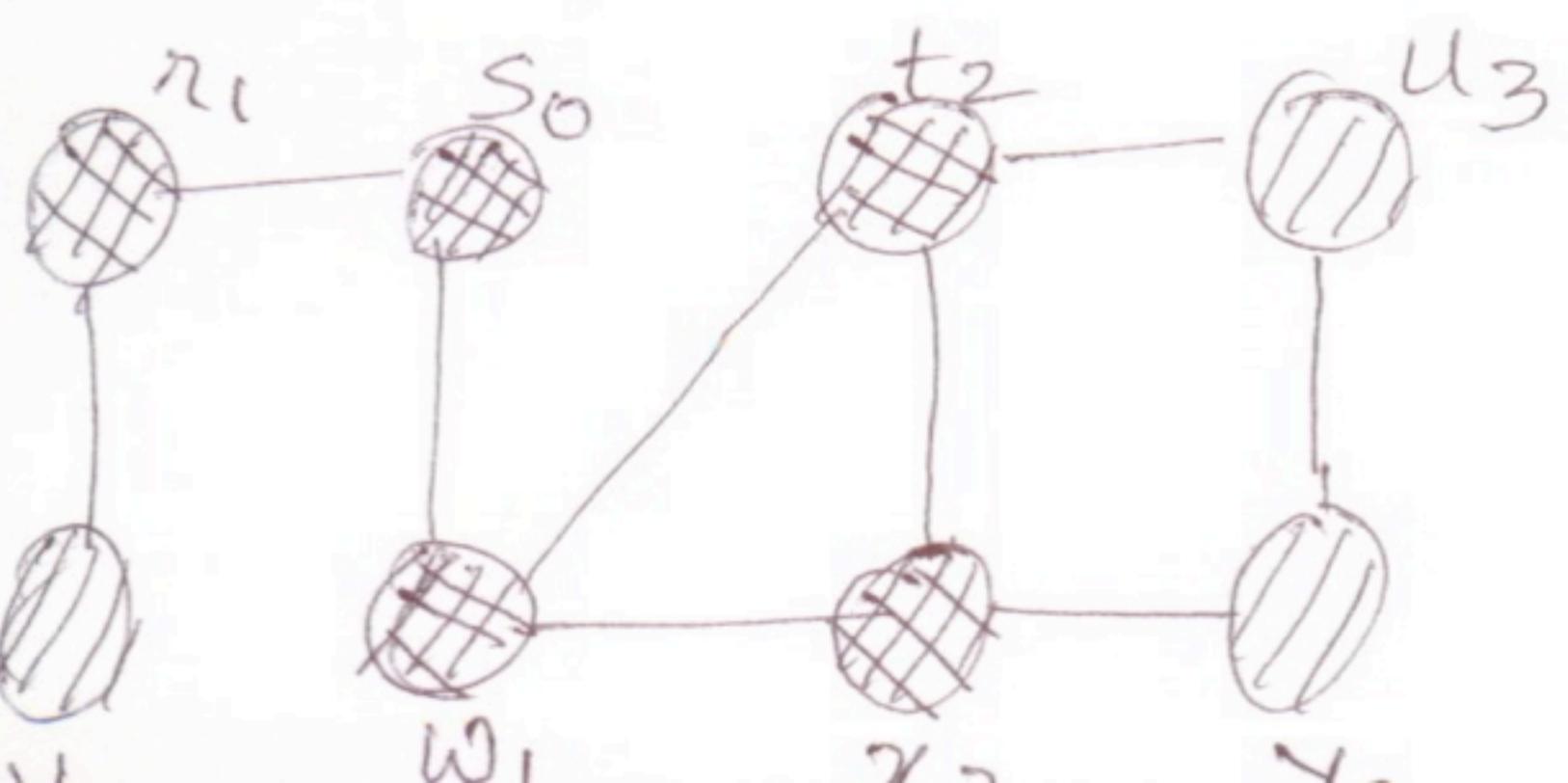
$head = w_1$
 $Q = \{r_1, t_2, x_2\} head \cancel{=} w_1$
 $\pi(t_2) = w_1$
 $\pi(x_2) = w_1$



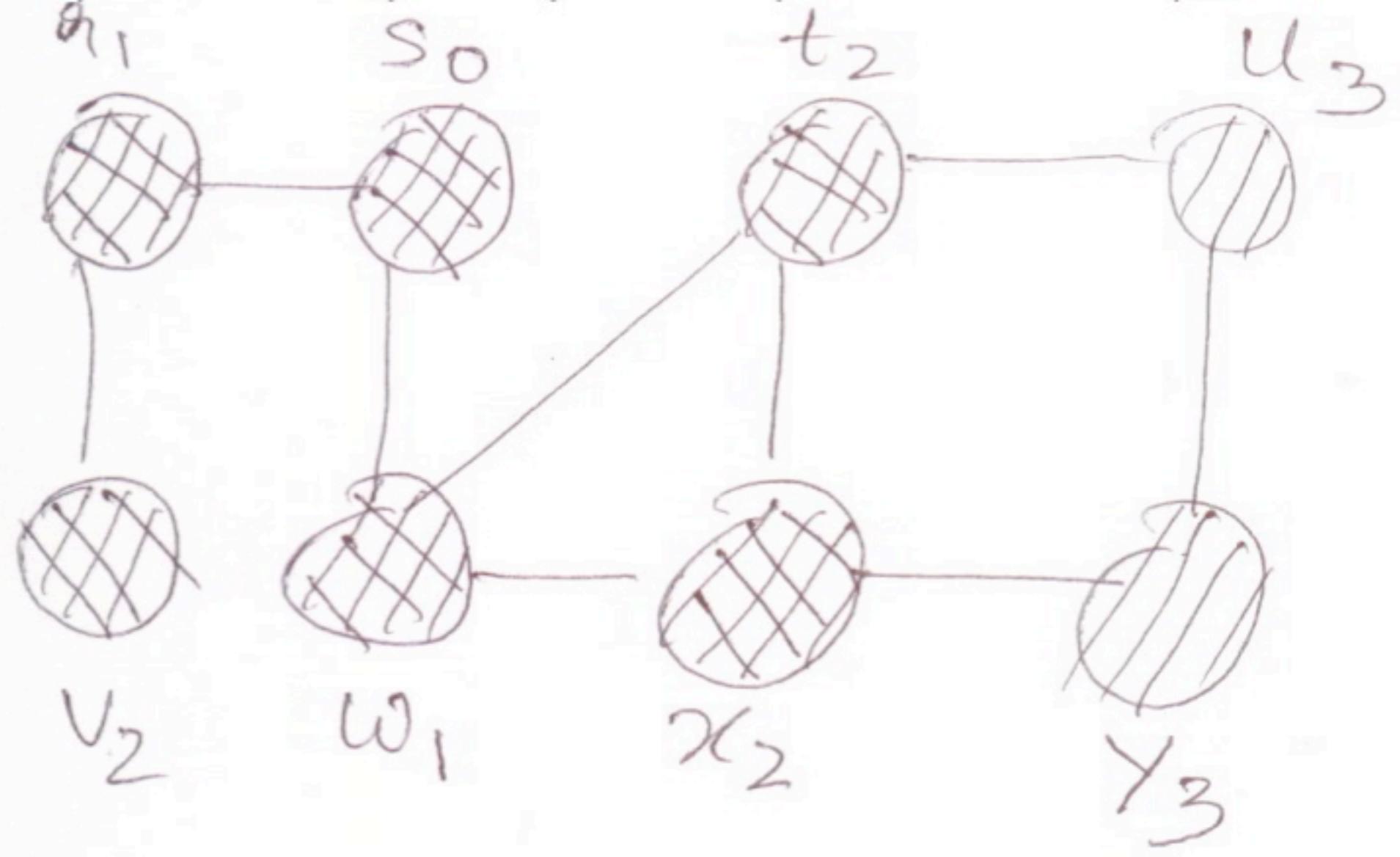
$head = r_1$
 $Q \{r_1, t_2, x_2, v_2\}$
 $\pi(v_2) = r_1$



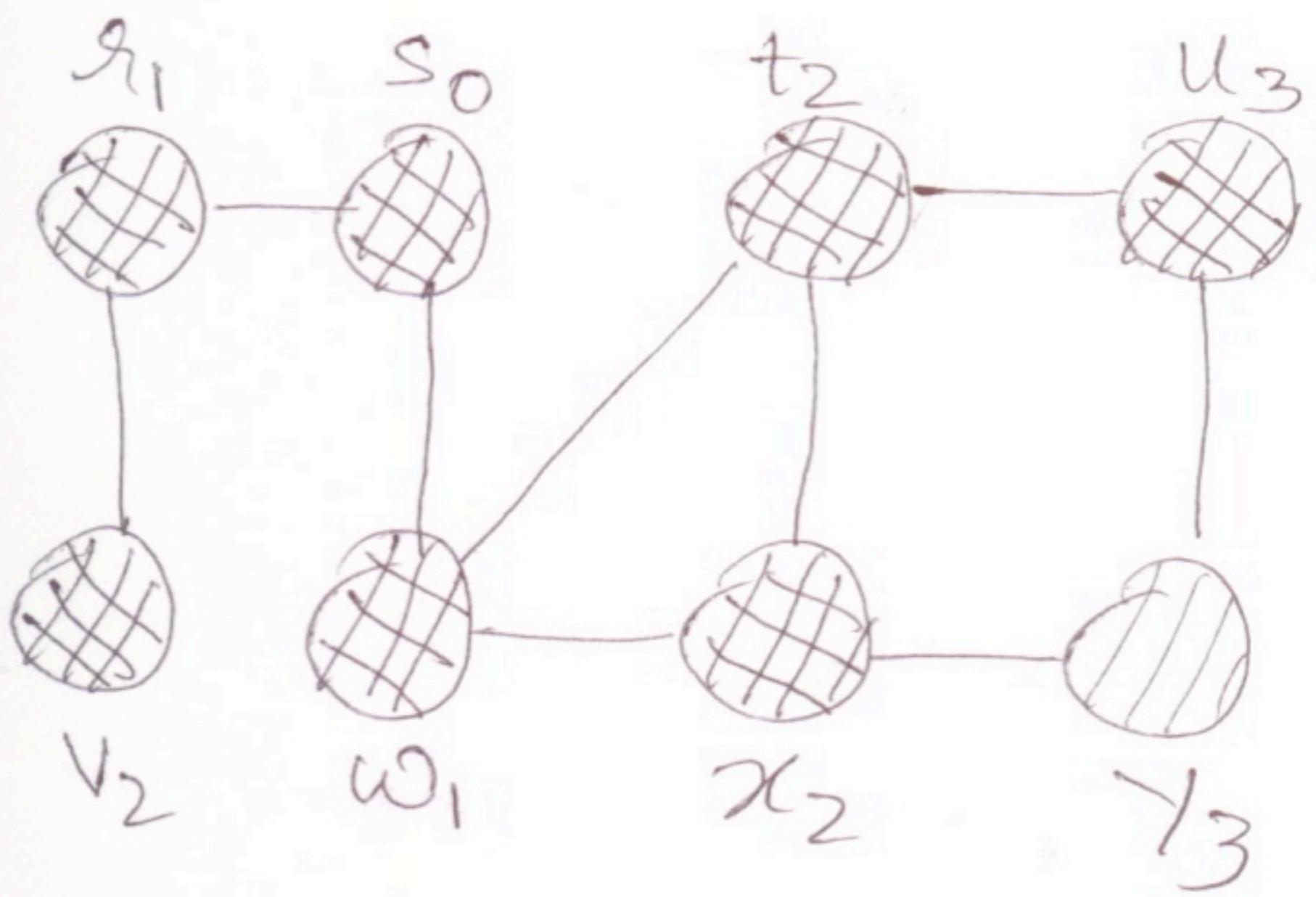
$head = t_2$
 $Q = \{x_2, v_2, u_3\}$
 $\pi(u_3) = t_2$



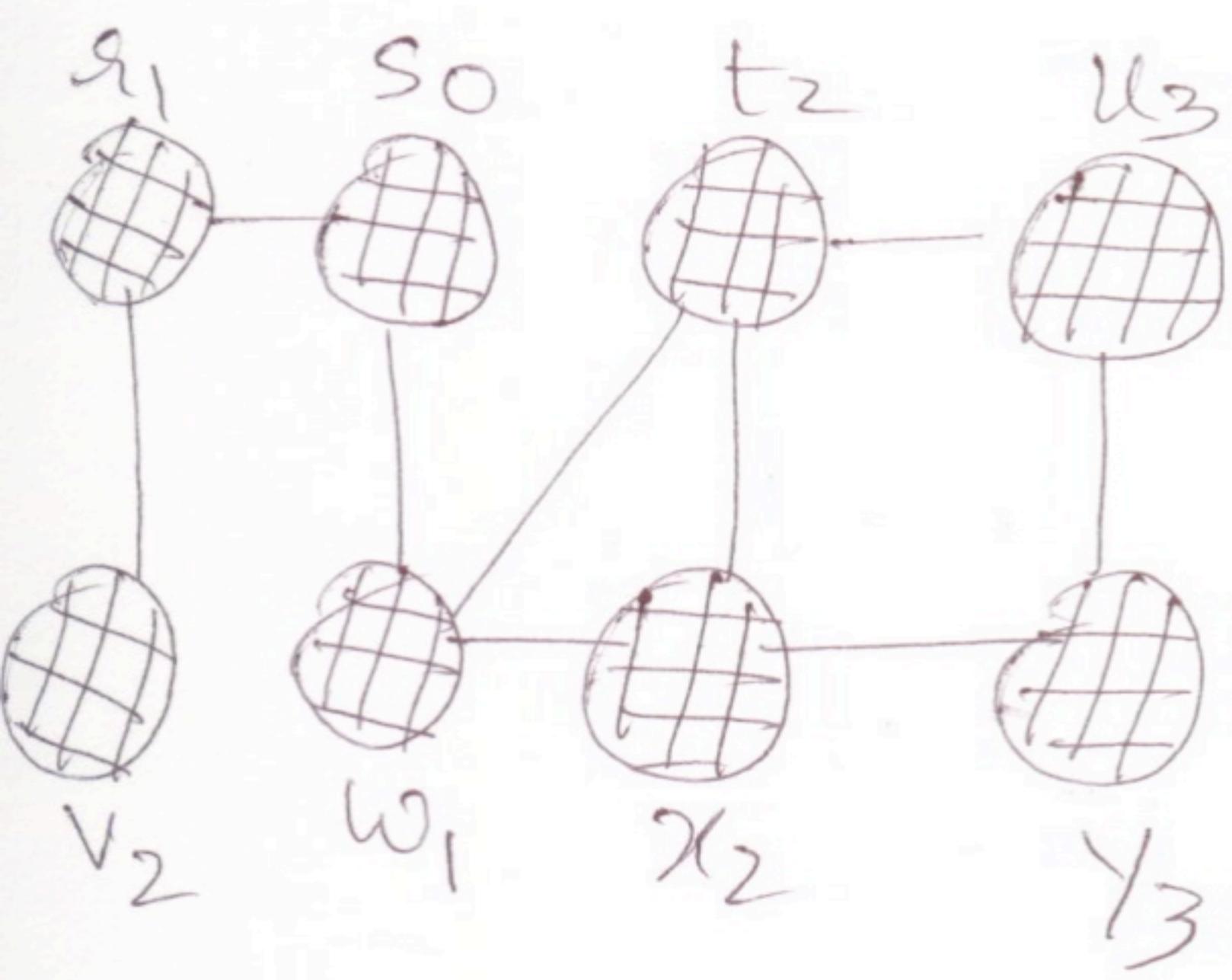
$head = x_2$
 $Q \{v_1, u_3, y\}$
 $\pi(y) = x_2$



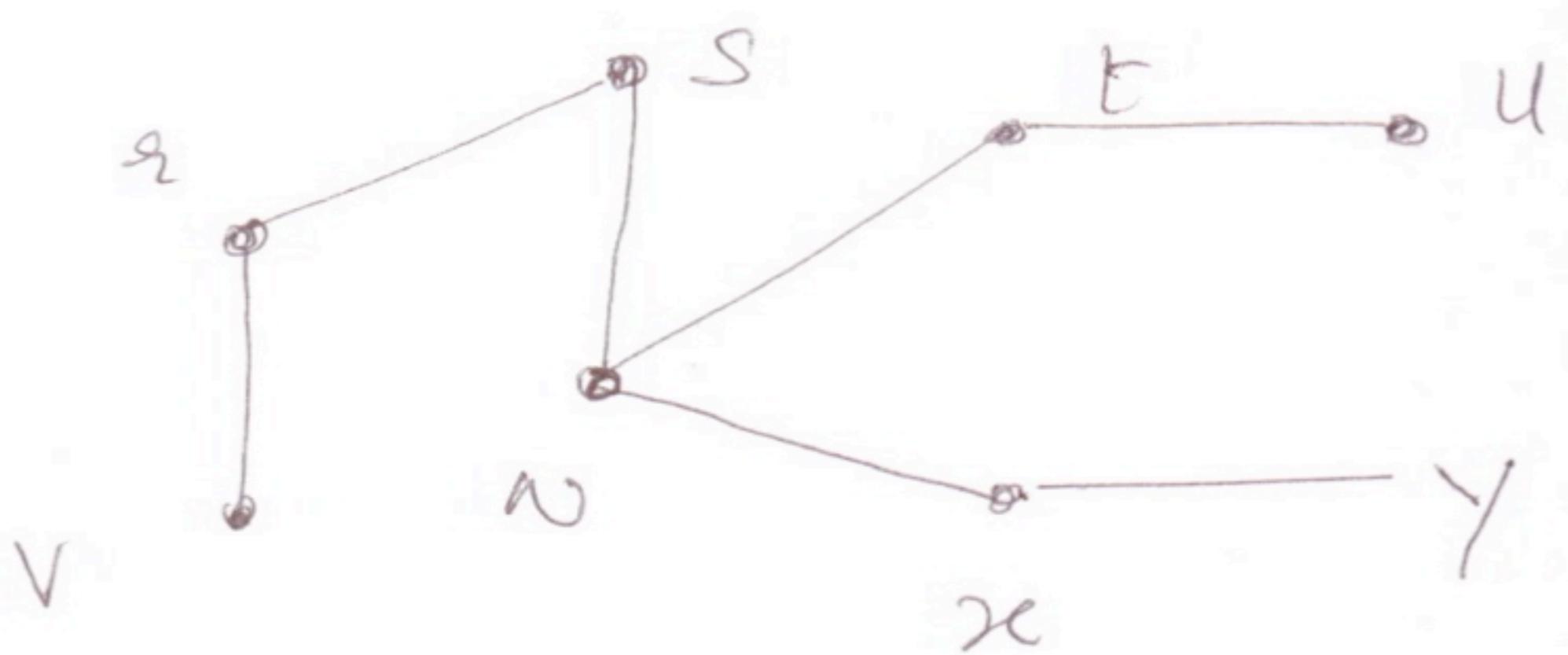
head = v
 $\mathcal{G} = \{u_3, y_3\}$



head = u
 $\mathcal{G} = \{y_3\}$



head = u
 $\mathcal{G} = \{z\}$



Analysis

- After initialization, no vertex is ever whitened
- The test in line #12 thus ensures that every vertex is enqueued once and (therefore dequeued once).
Enqueue and dequeue is $O(1)$
so queue operations is $O(V)$
- Adjacency list of a vertex is scanned only when it is dequeued.
Sum of lengths of all adjacency lists is $O(E)$
Therefore total time spent in scanning adjacency lists is $O(E)$
- Initialization is $O(V)$
- Total : $O(V+E)$