

# Algorithmics

## Lecture 5

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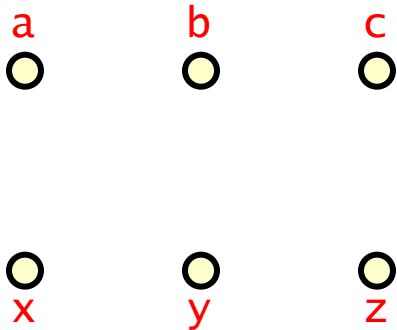
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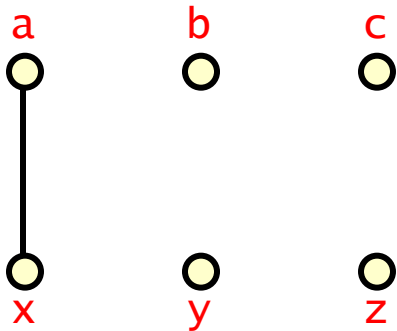
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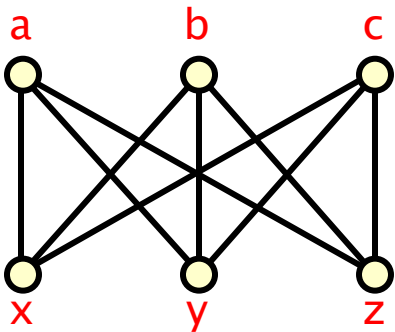
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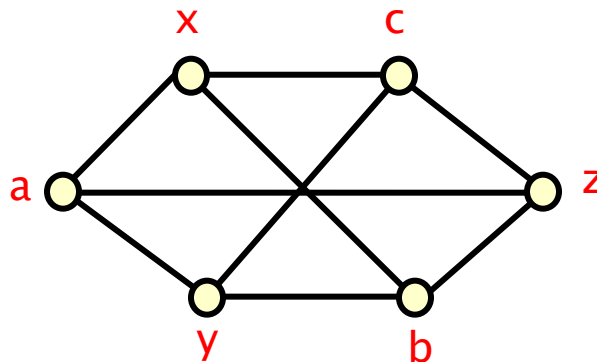
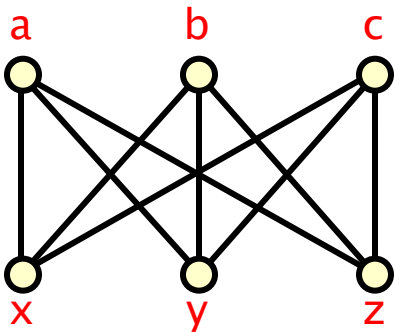
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- a graph can be drawn in different ways
- e.g. two representations of the same graph

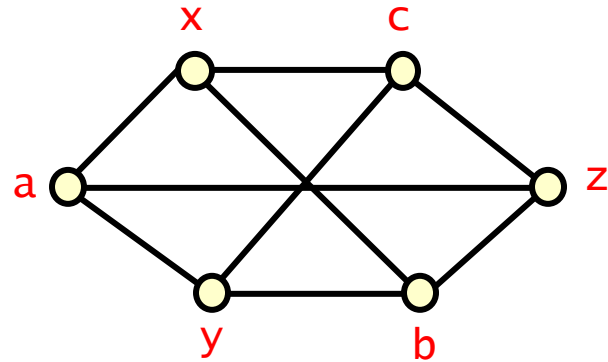
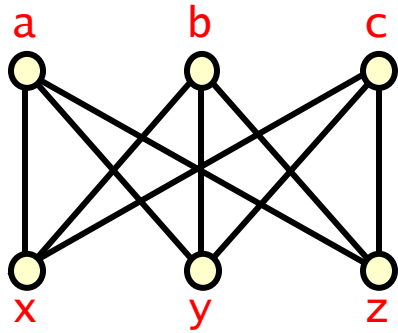


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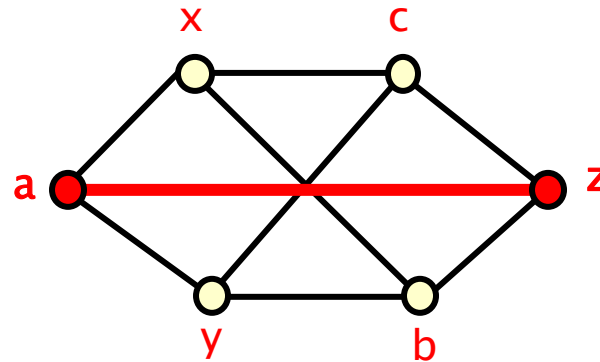
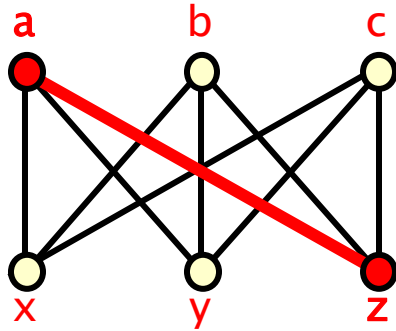


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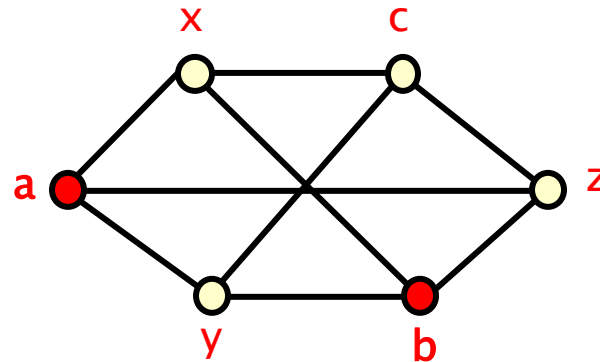
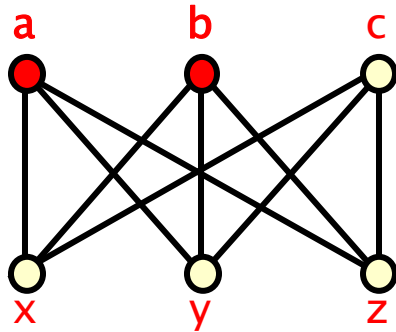
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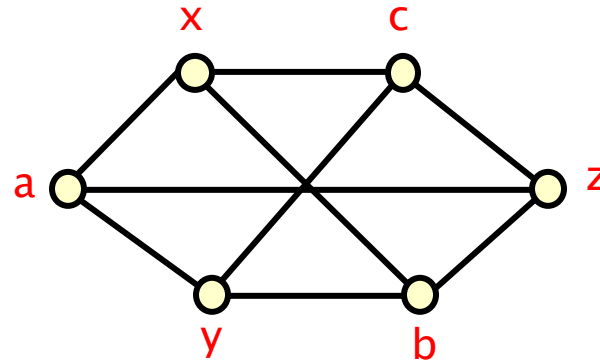
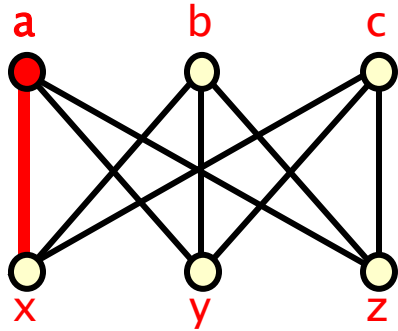
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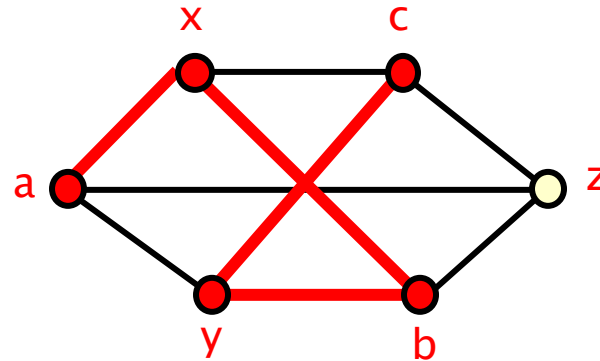
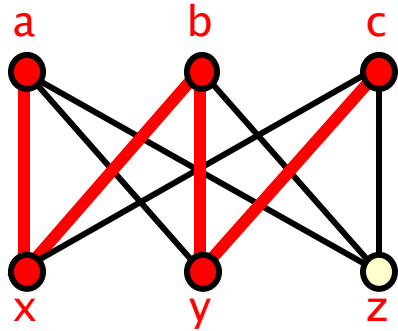
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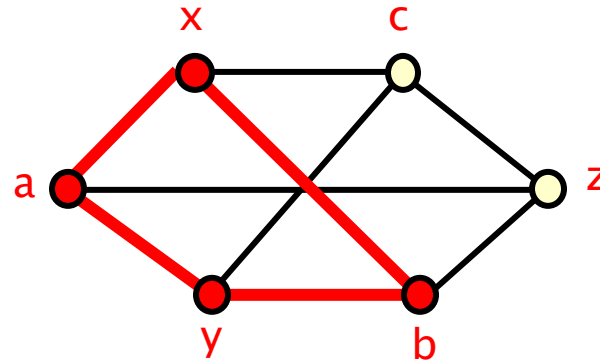
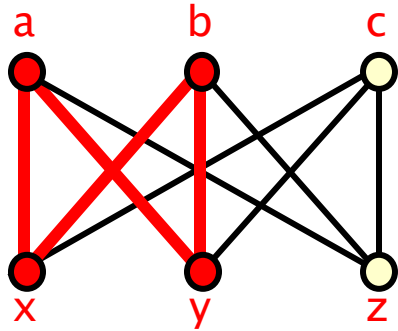
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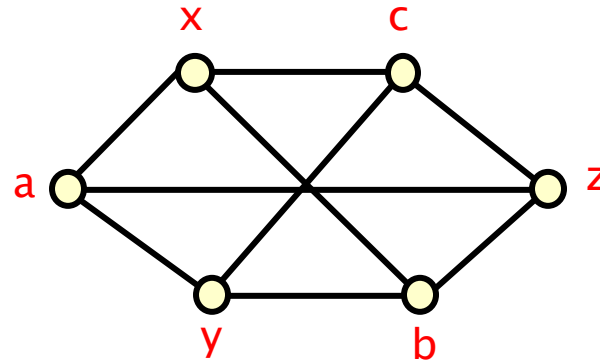
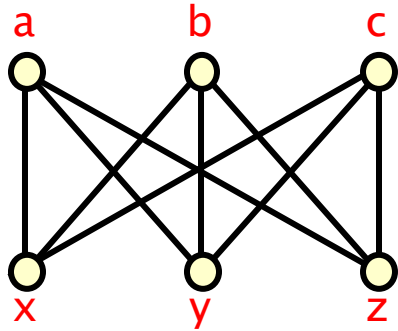
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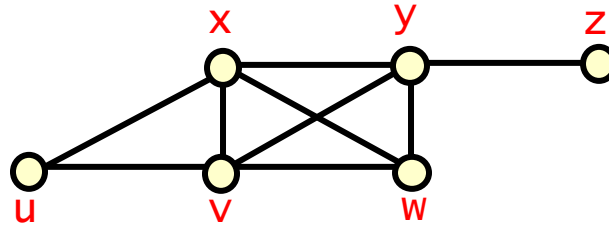


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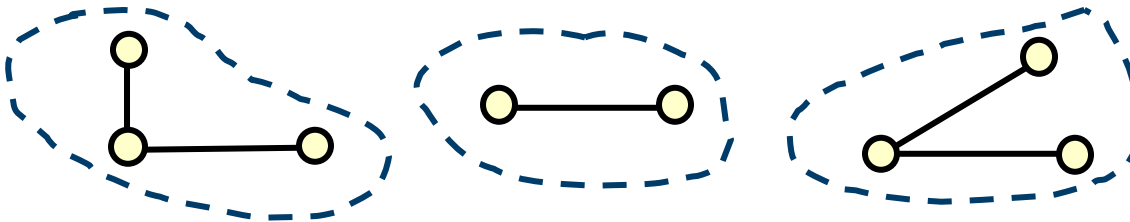
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- all vertices have **degree 3**
  - i.e. all vertices are incident to **three** edges

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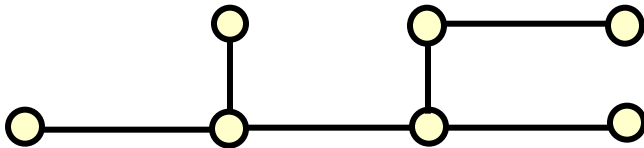
A graph is: **connected**, if every pair of vertices is joined by a path



A non-connected graph has two or more **connected components**



A graph is a **tree** if it is **connected** and **acyclic** (no cycles)



a tree with  $n$  vertices has  $n-1$  edges

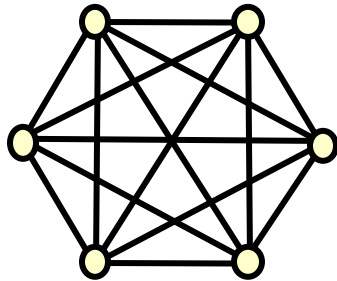
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A graph is a **forest** if it is **acyclic** and components are trees



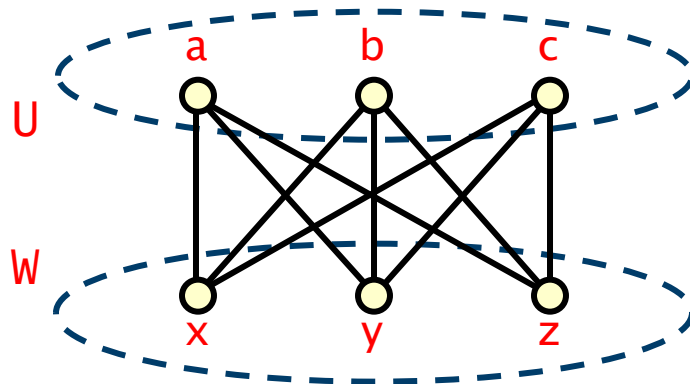
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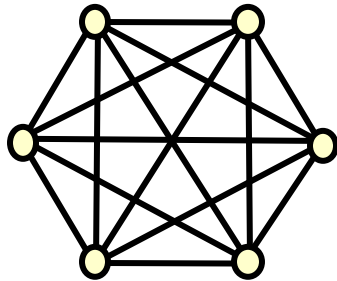


the **complete** bipartite graph  $K_{3,3}$

it is **complete** since all edges between vertices in **U** and **W** are present

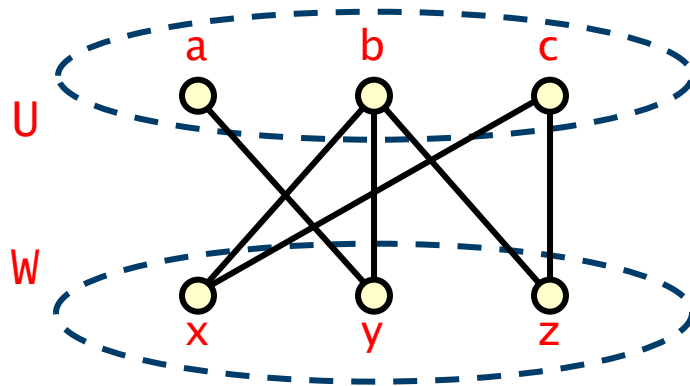
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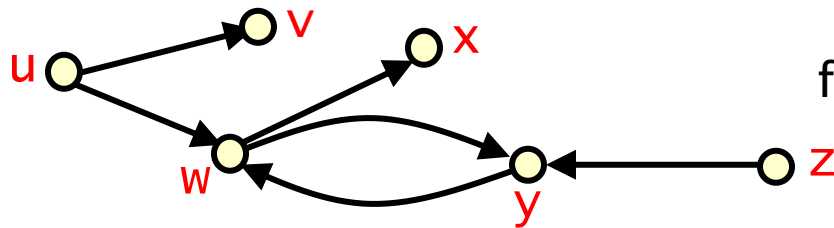
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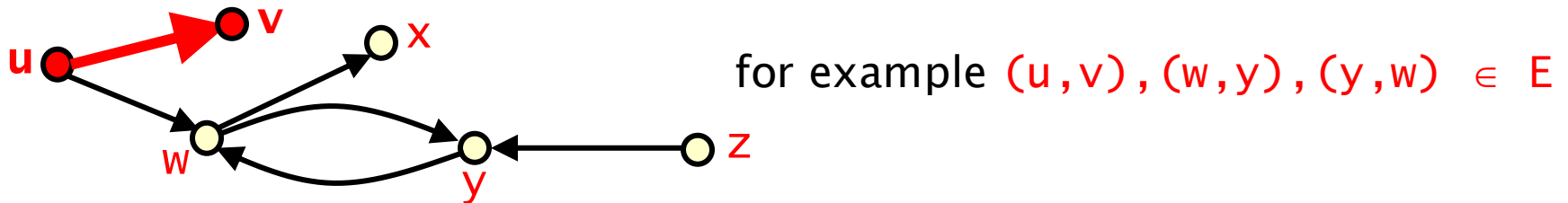
for example  $(u, v), (w, y), (y, w) \in E$

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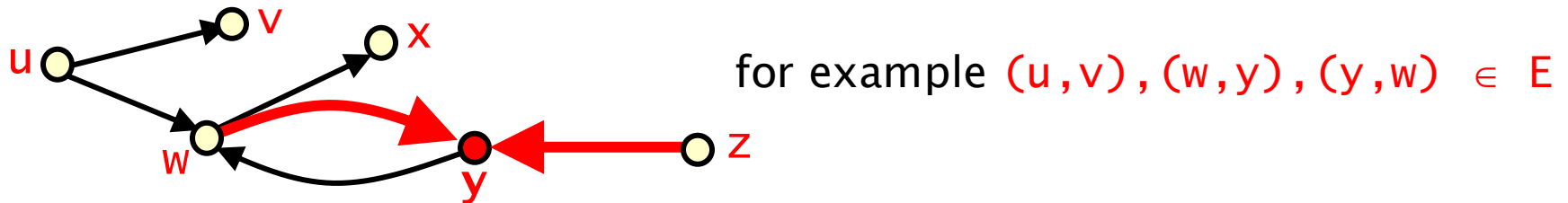
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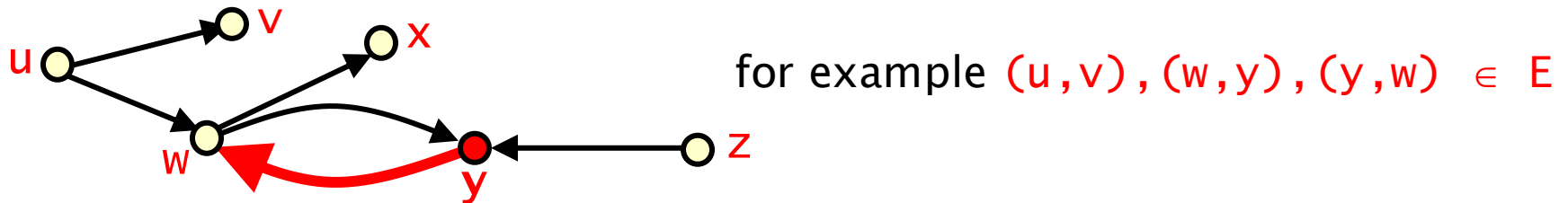
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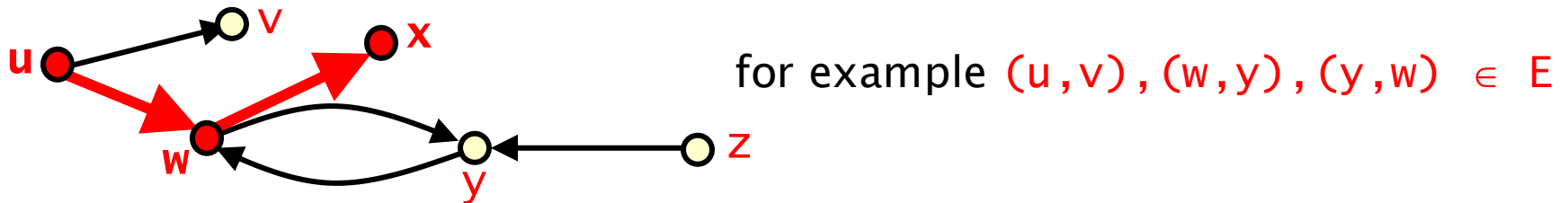
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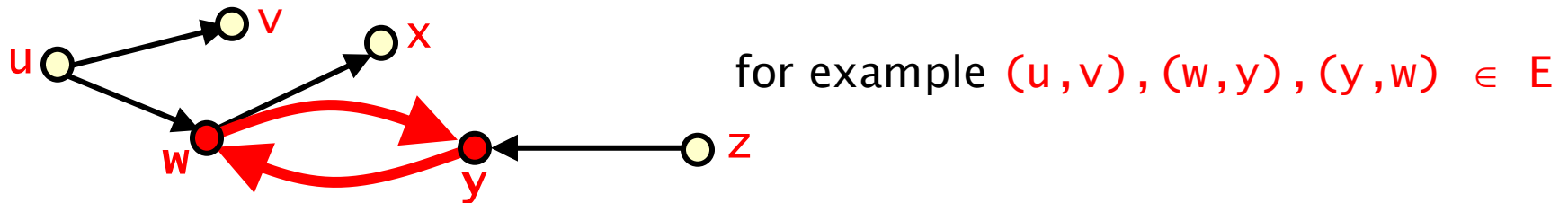
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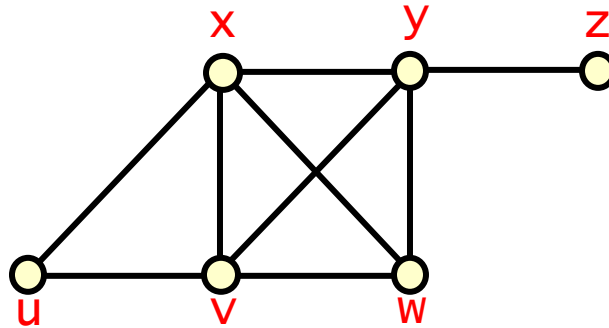
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## Undirected graph: Adjacency lists

- one list for each vertex
- list  $i$  contains an entry for  $j$  if the vertices  $i$  and  $j$  are adjacent

# Graph representations – Undirected graphs

## Undirected graph **G**



### Adjacency matrix for **G**

	u	v	w	x	y	z
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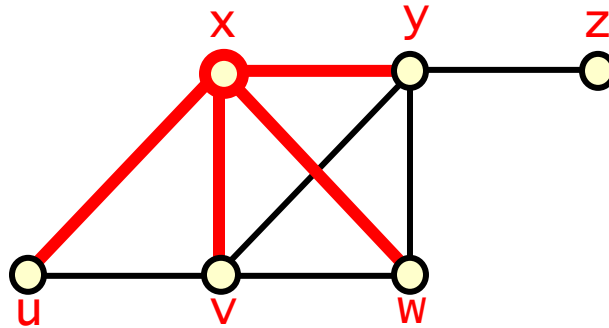
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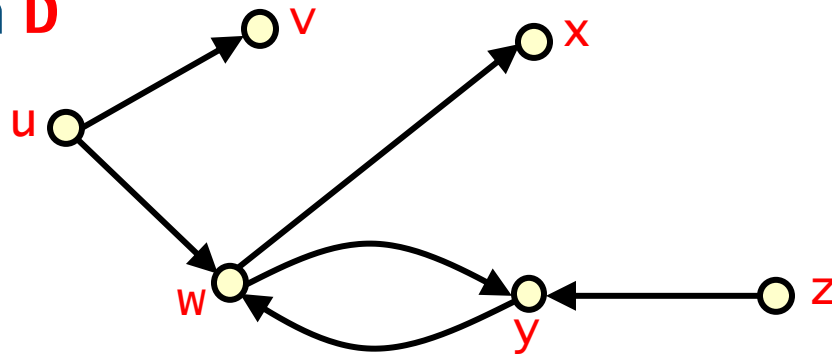
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# Graph representations – Directed graphs

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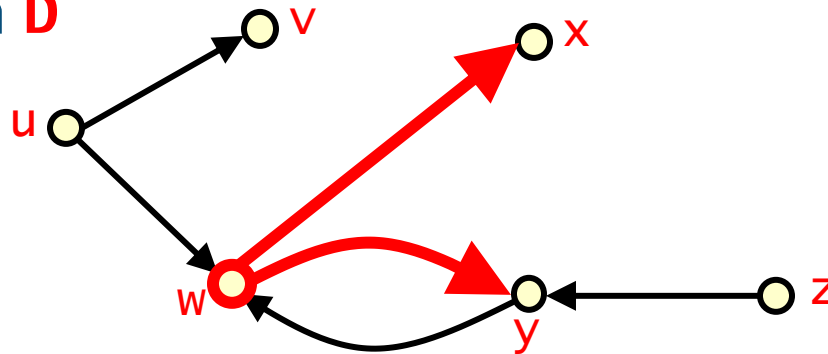
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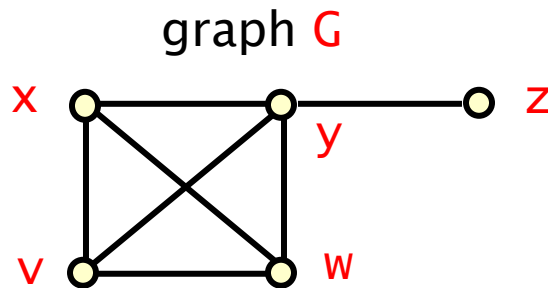
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# Implementation – Adjacency lists

## Recall **adjacency list** for an undirected graph

- one list for each vertex
- list **i** contains an element for **j** if the vertices **i** and **j** are adjacent



## adjacency lists for **G**

**v**:  $w \rightarrow x \rightarrow y$   
**w**:  $v \rightarrow x \rightarrow y$   
**x**:  $v \rightarrow w \rightarrow y$   
**y**:  $v \rightarrow w \rightarrow x \rightarrow z$   
**z**:  $y$

## **Implementation:** define classes for

- the entries of adjacency lists
- the vertices (includes a linked list representing its adjacency list)
- graphs (includes the size of the graph and an array of vertices)
  - array allows for efficient access using “index” of a vertex



# Implementation – Adjacency lists

```
/** class to represent an entry in the adjacency list of a vertex  
in a graph */  
public class AdjListNode {  
  
    private int vertexIndex; // the vertex index of the entry  
  
    // possibly other fields, for example representing properties  
    // of the edge such as weight, capacity, ...  
  
    /** creates a new entry for vertex indexed i */  
    public AdjListNode(int i){  
        vertexIndex = i;  
    }  
    public int getVertexIndex(){ // gets the vertex index of the entry  
        return vertexIndex;  
    }  
    public void setVertexIndex(int i){ // sets vertex index to i  
        vertexIndex = i;  
    }  
}
```

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```
import java.util.LinkedList; // we require the linked list class

/** class to represent a vertex in a graph */
public class Vertex {

    private int index; // the index of this vertex
    private LinkedList<AdjListNode> adjList; // the adjacency list of vertex

    // possibly other fields, e.g. representing data stored at the node

    /** create a new instance of vertex with index i */
    public Vertex(int i) {
        index = i; // set index
        adjList = new LinkedList<AdjListNode>(); // create empty adjacency list
    }

    /** return the index of the vertex */
    public int getIndex(){
        return index;
    }
}
```

# Implementation – Adjacency lists

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// class Vertex continued

/** set the index of the vertex */
public void setIndex(int i){
    index = i;
}

/** return the adjacency list of the vertex */
public LinkedList<AdjListNode> getAdjList(){
    return adjList;
}

/** add vertex with index j to the adjacency list */
public void addToAdjList(int j){
    adjList.addLast(new AdjListNode(j));
}

/** return the degree of the vertex */
public int vertexDegree(){
    return adjList.size();
}
}
```

# Implementation – Adjacency lists

```
import java.util.LinkedList; // again require the linked list class  
// (to add graph algorithms we will need to access adjacency lists)  
/** class to represent a graph */  
public class Graph {  
  
    private Vertex[] vertices; // array of vertices for easy access  
    private int numVertices = 0; // number of vertices  
    // possibly other fields representing properties of the graph  
  
    /** Create a Graph with n vertices indexed 0,...,n-1 */  
    public Graph(int n) {  
        numVertices = n;  
        vertices = new Vertex[n];  
        for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) vertices[i] = new Vertex(i);  
    }  
    /** returns number of vertices in the graph */  
    public int size(){  
        return numVertices;  
    }  
}
```

# Section 3 – Graphs and graph algorithms

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## Graph basics

- definitions: directed, undirected, connected, bipartite, ...

## Graph representations

- adjacency matrix/lists and implementation

## Graph search and traversal algorithms

- depth/breadth first search

## Topological ordering

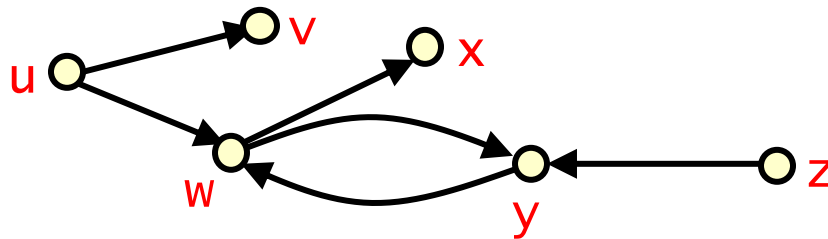
## Weighted graphs

- shortest path (Dijkstra's algorithm)
- minimum spanning tree (Prim-Jarnik and Dijkstra's refinement)

# Graph search and traversal algorithms

## Graph search and traversal algorithms

- a systematic way to explore a graph (when starting from some vertex)



**Example: web crawler collects data from hypertext documents by traversing a directed graph **D** where**

- vertices are hypertext documents
- $(u, v)$  is an edge if document **u** contains a hyperlink to document **v**

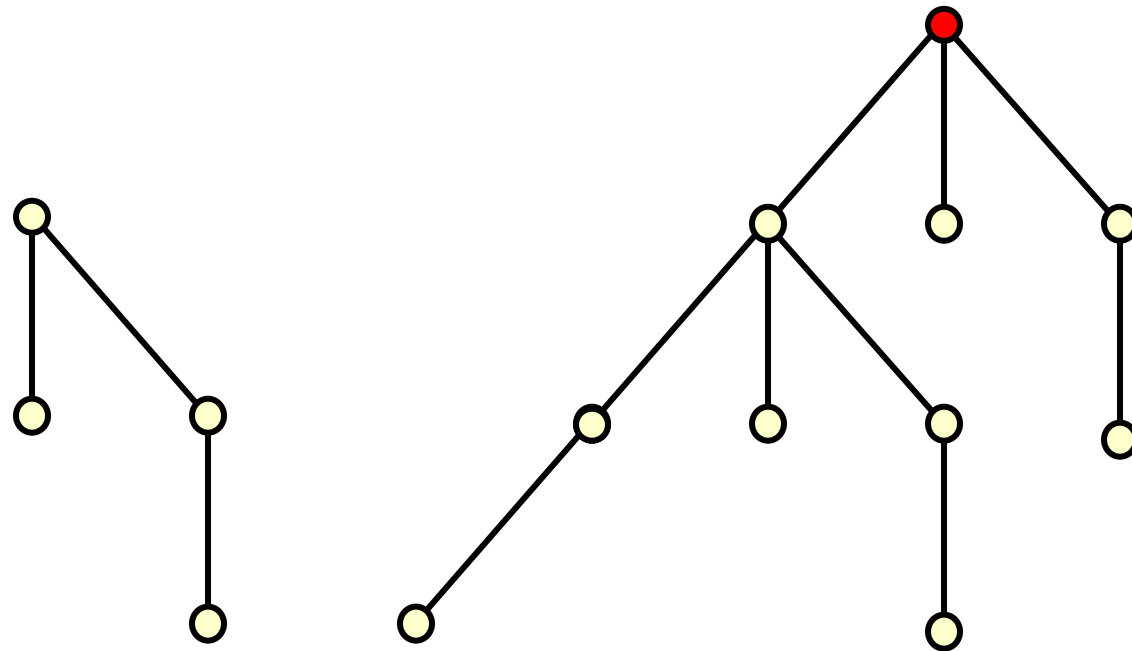
**A search/traversal visits all vertices by travelling along edges**

- traversal is efficient if it explores graph in  $O(|V| + |E|)$  time

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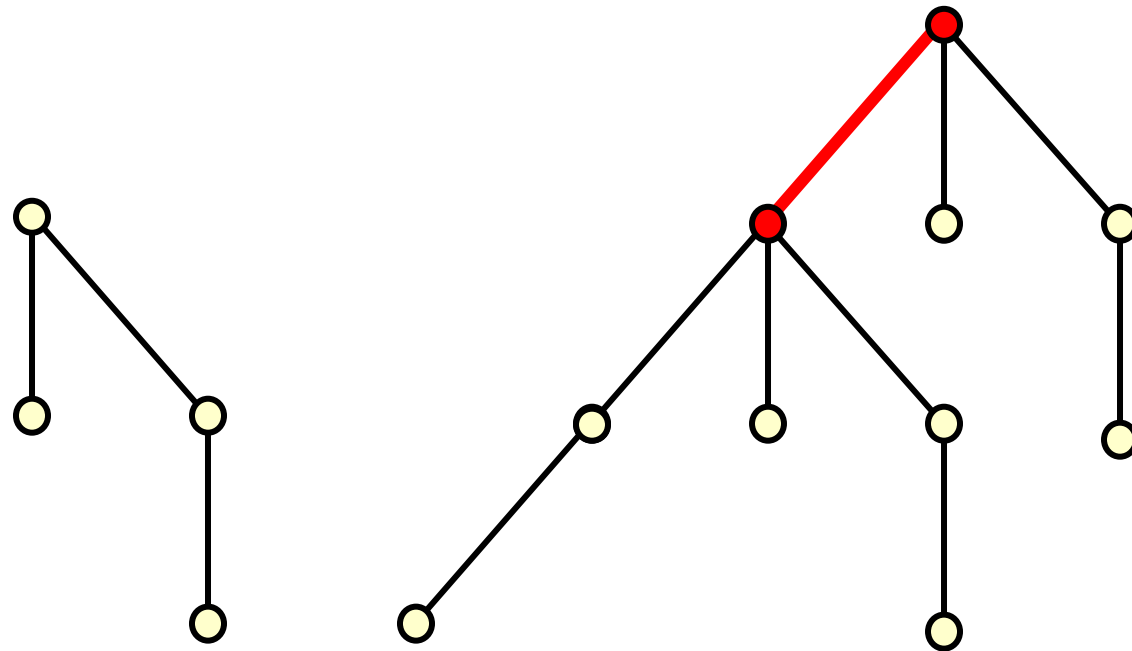
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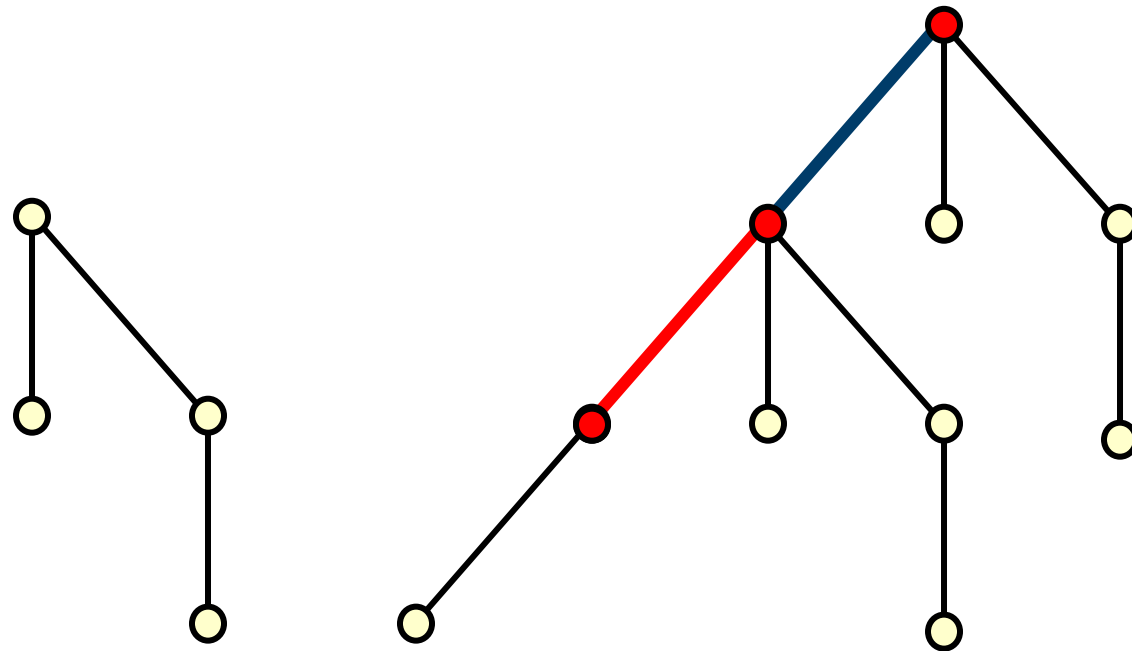




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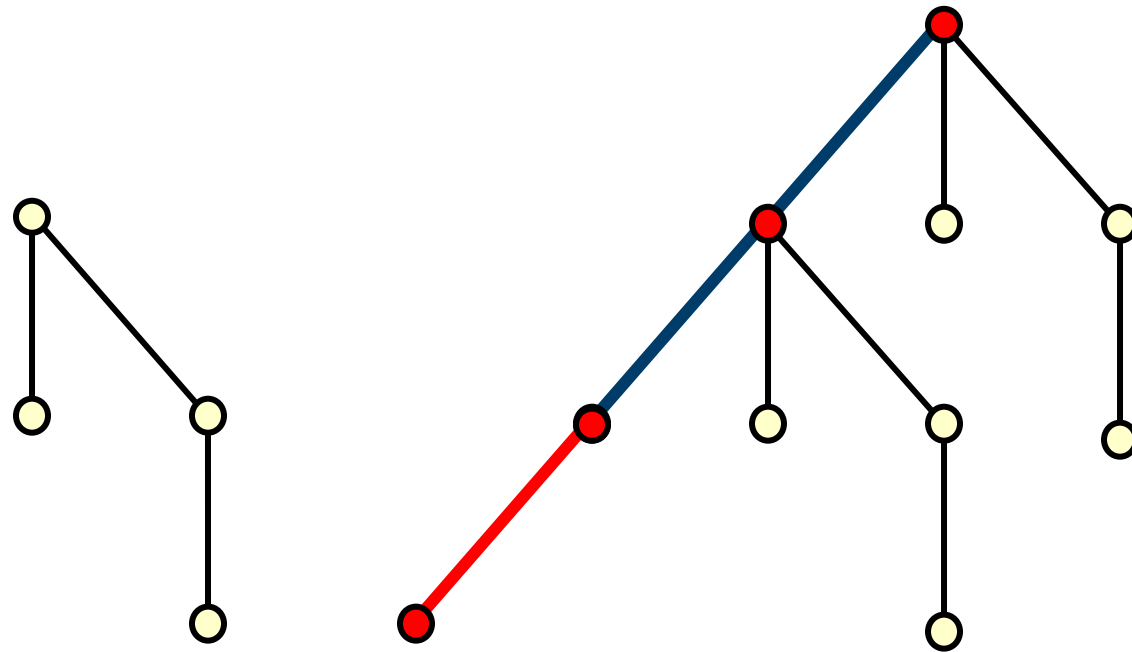
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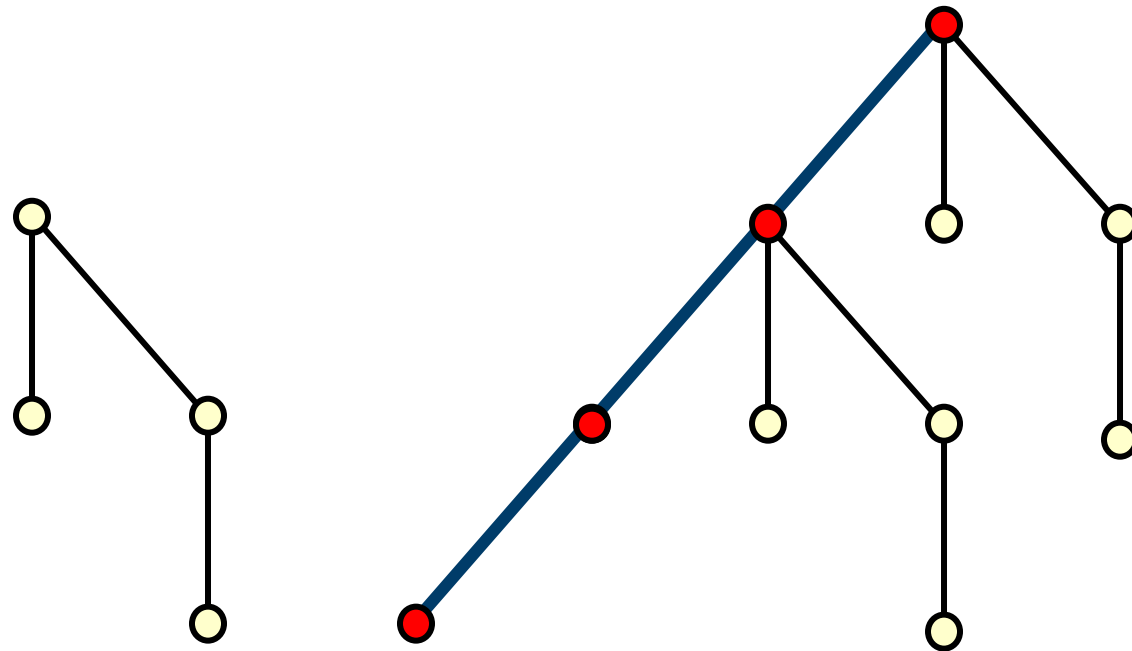
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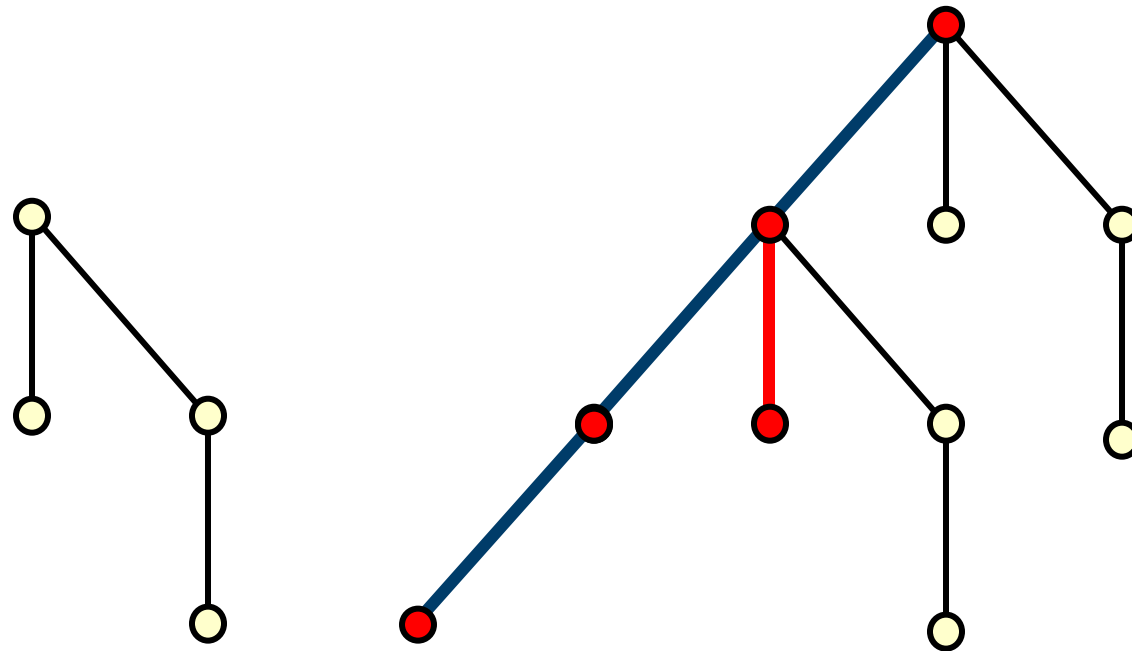
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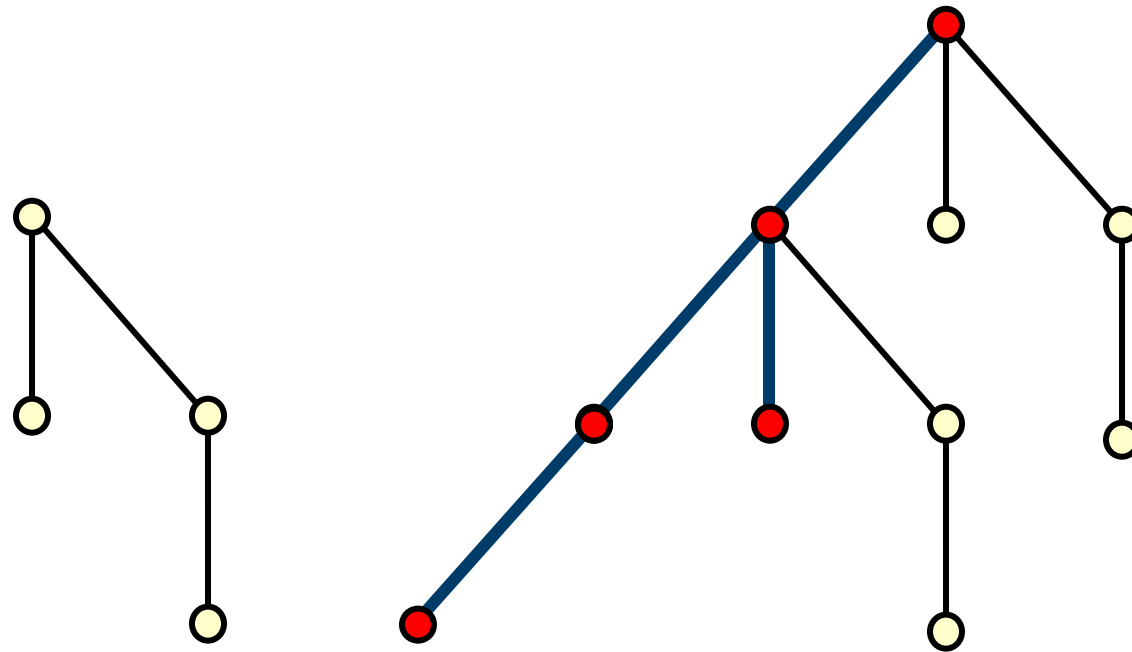
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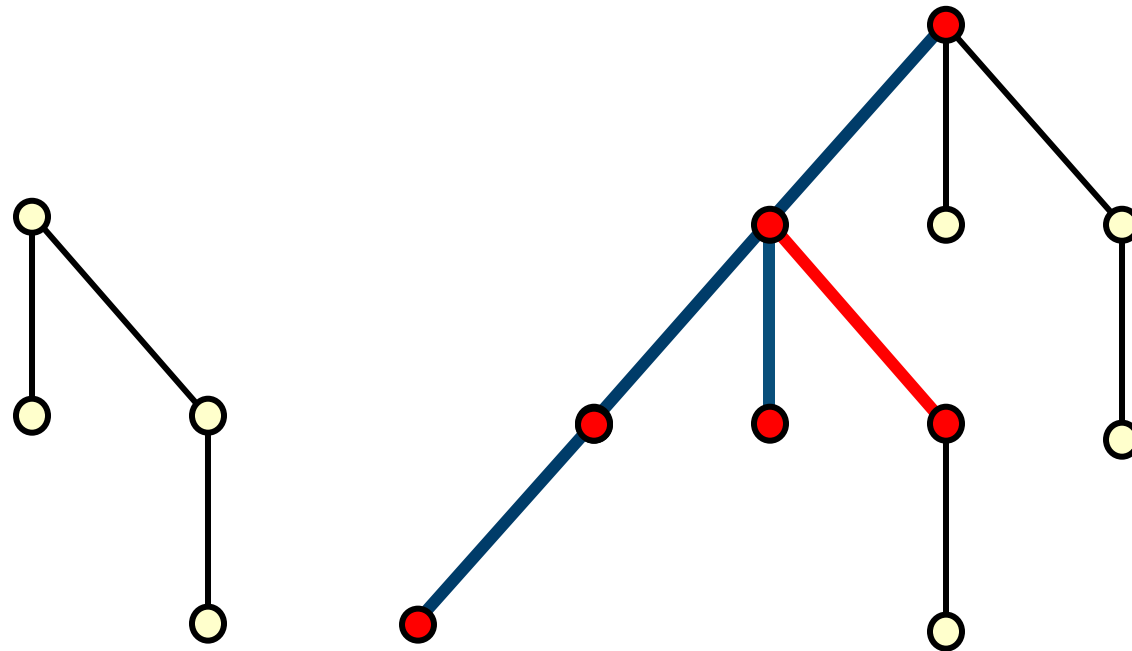
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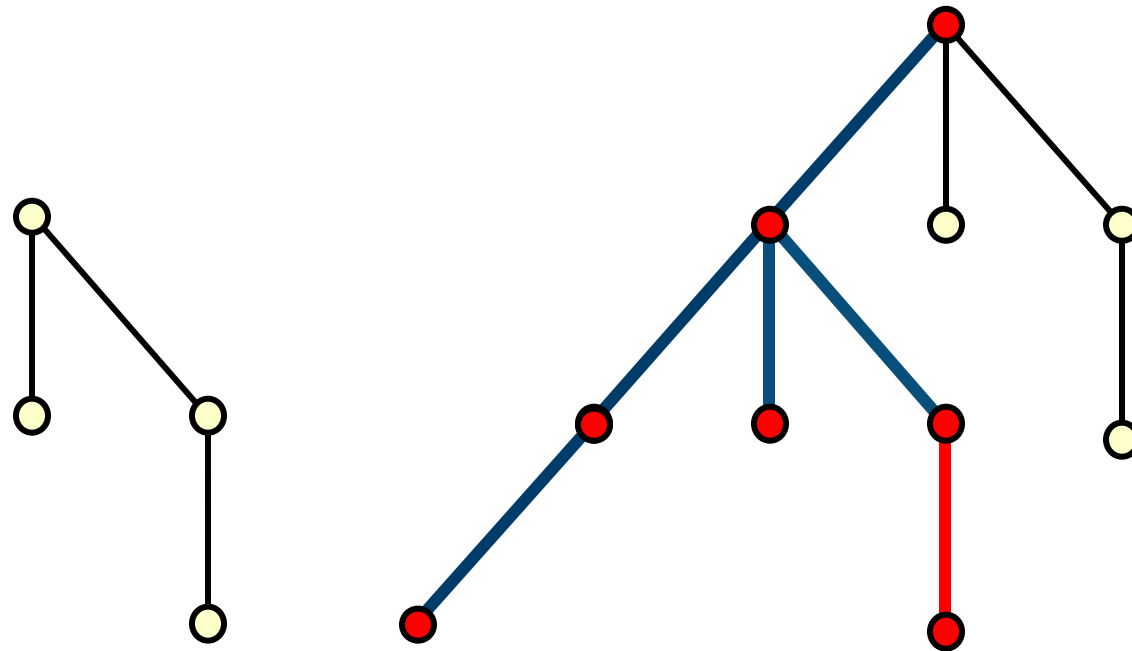
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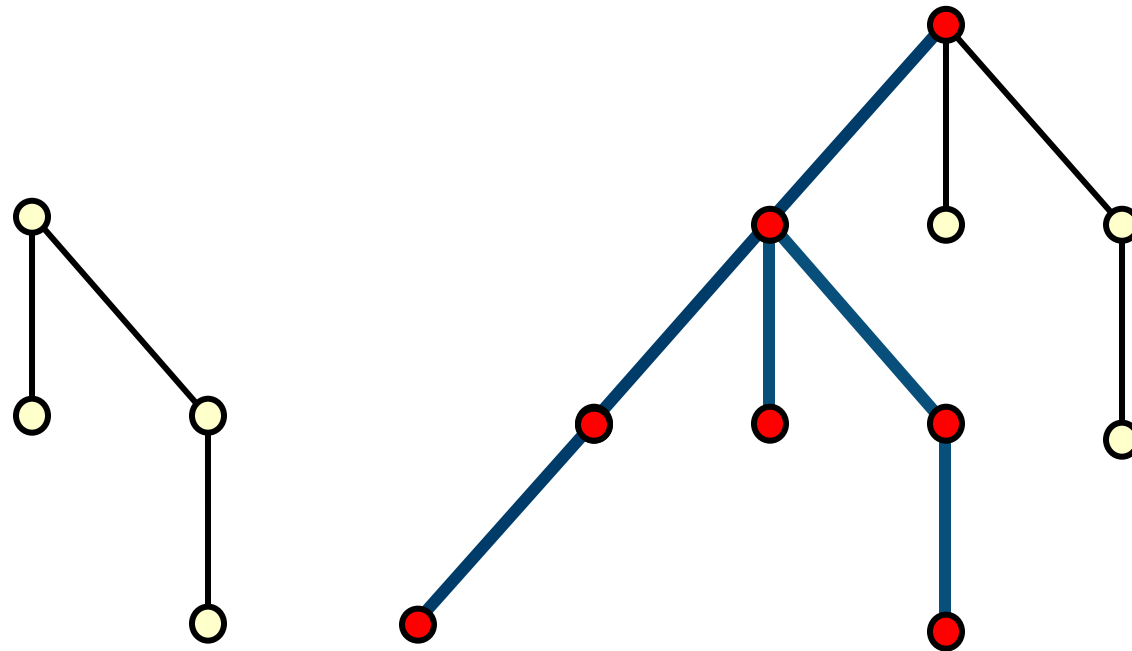
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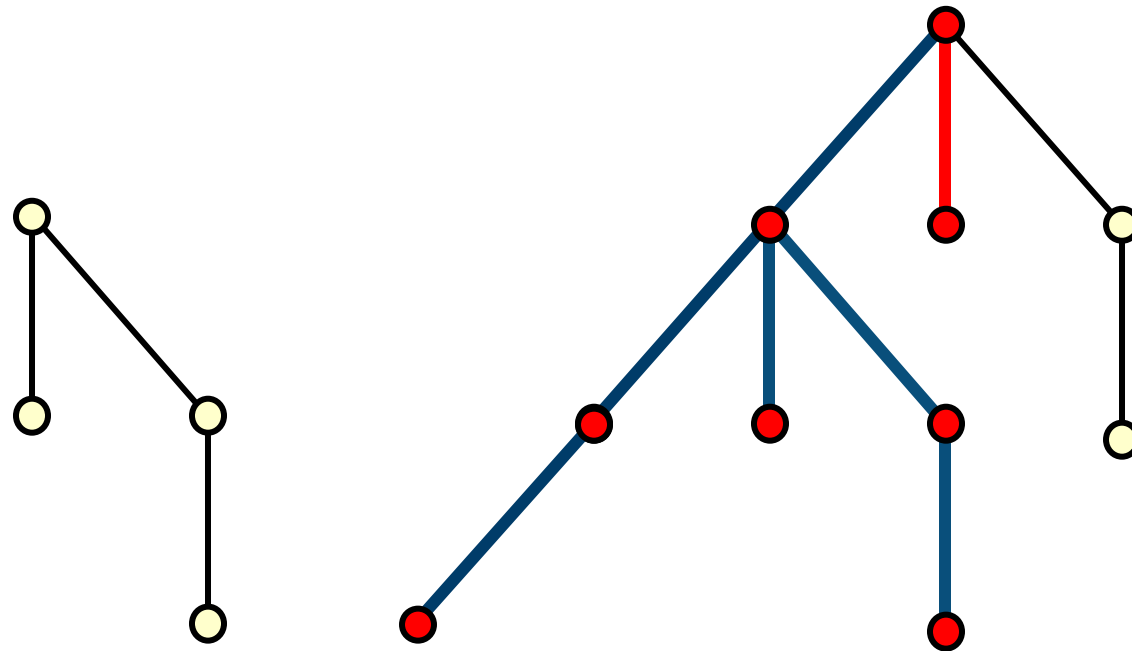




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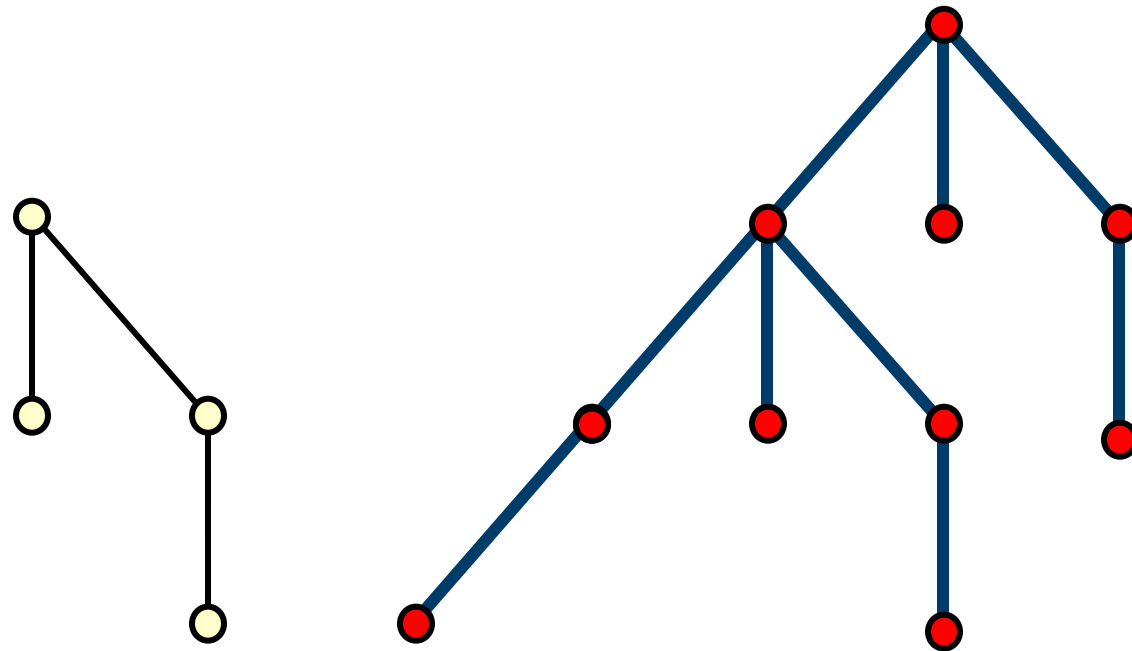
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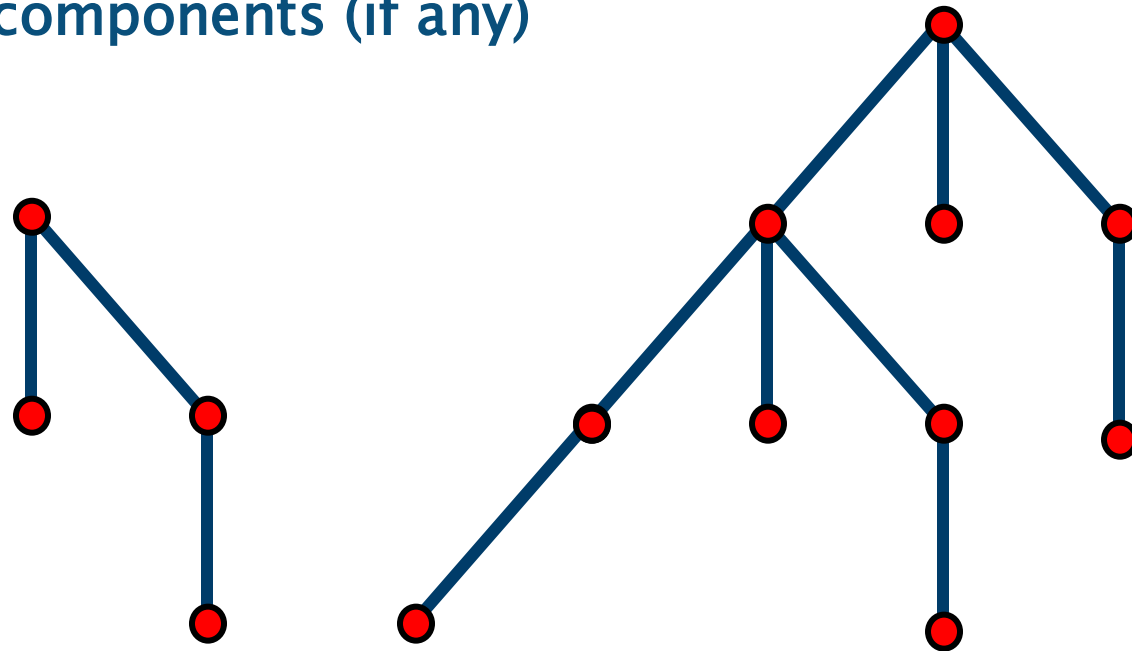


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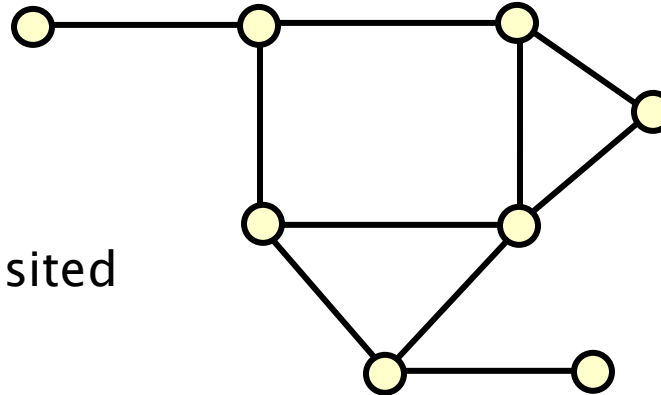
## The edges traversed form a spanning tree (or forest)

- a **depth-first spanning tree (forest)**
- spanning tree of a graph is a tree composed of all the vertices and some (or perhaps all) of the edges of the graph

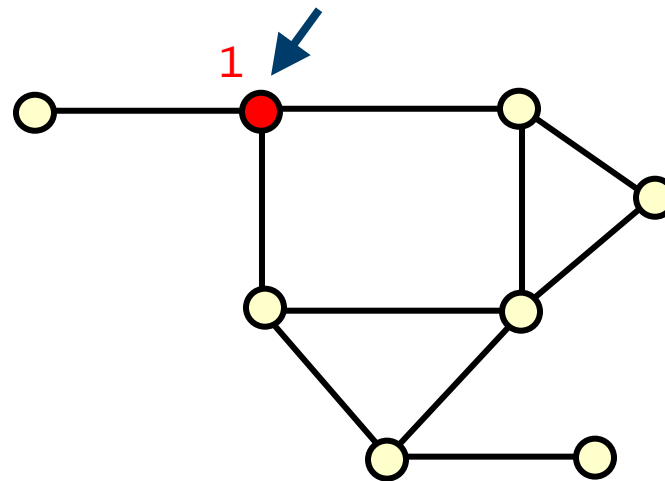
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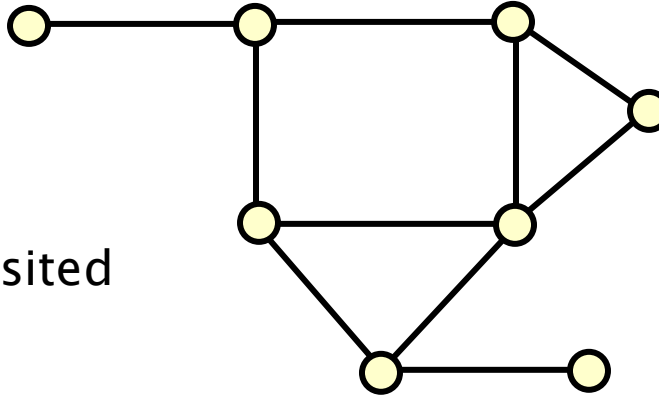
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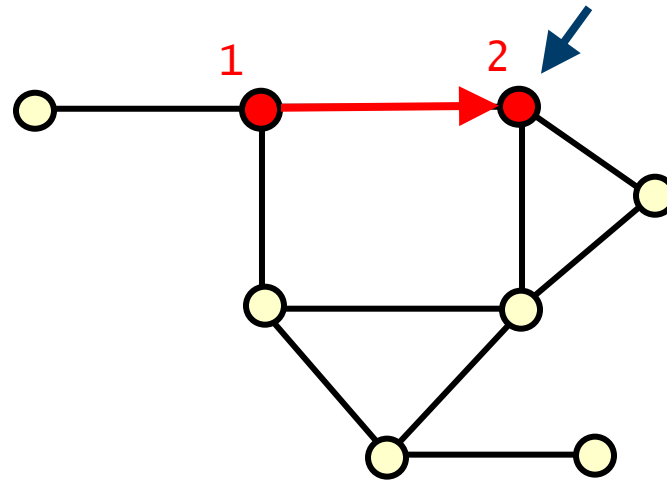
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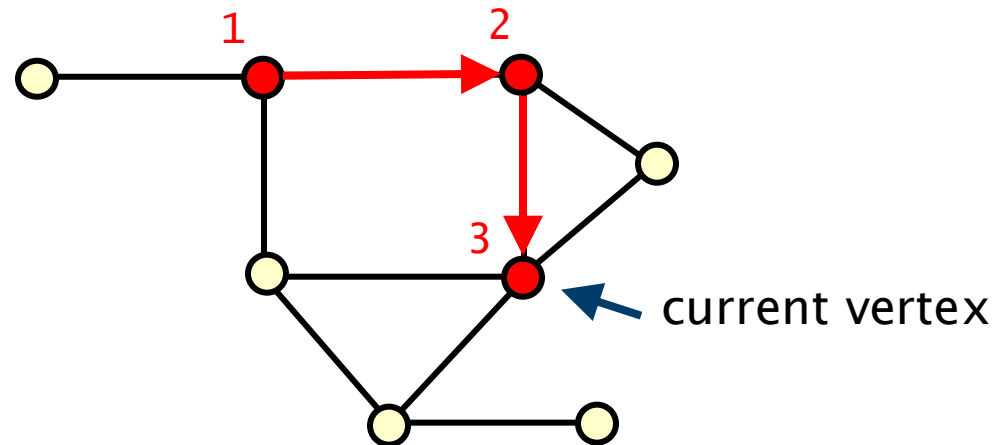
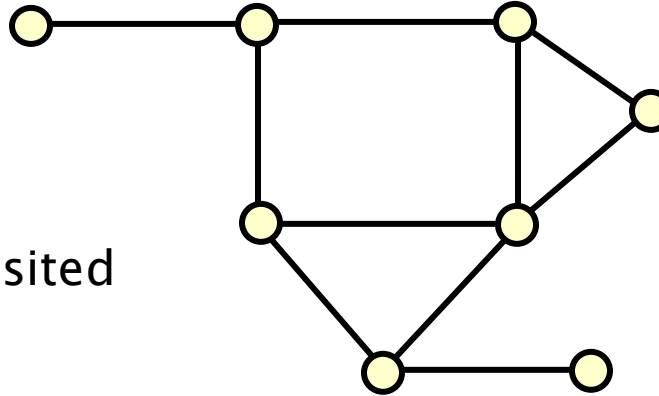
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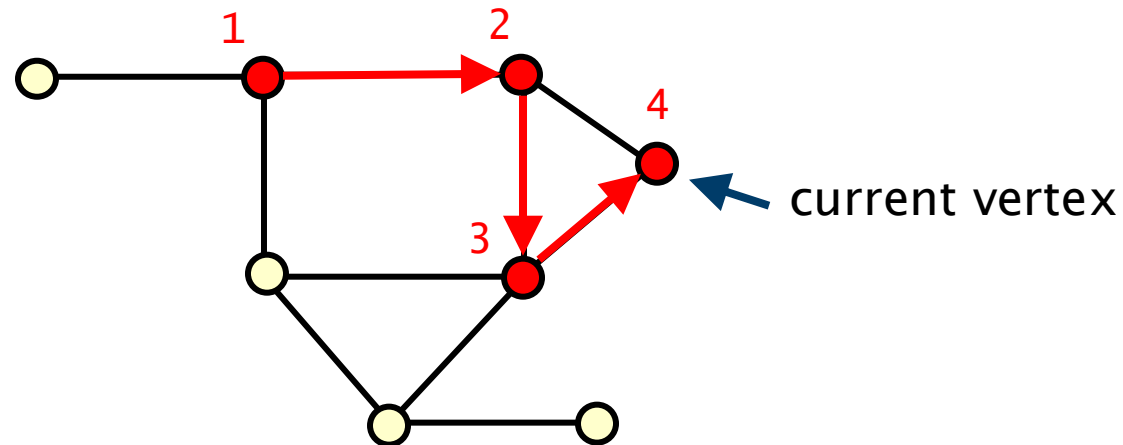
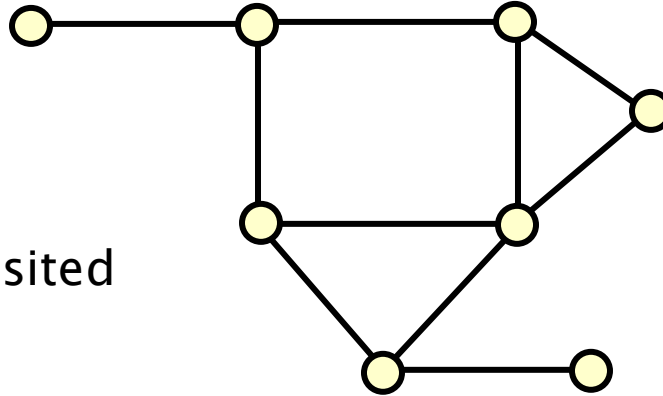
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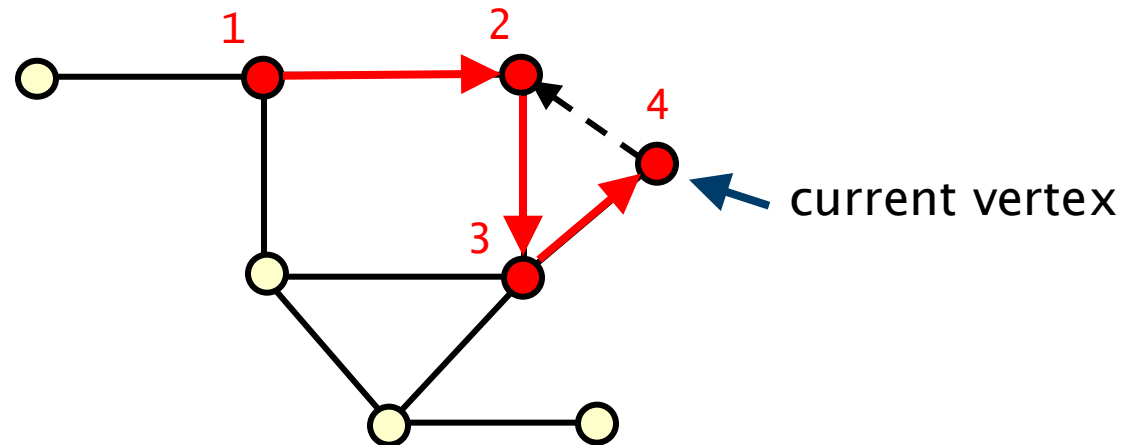
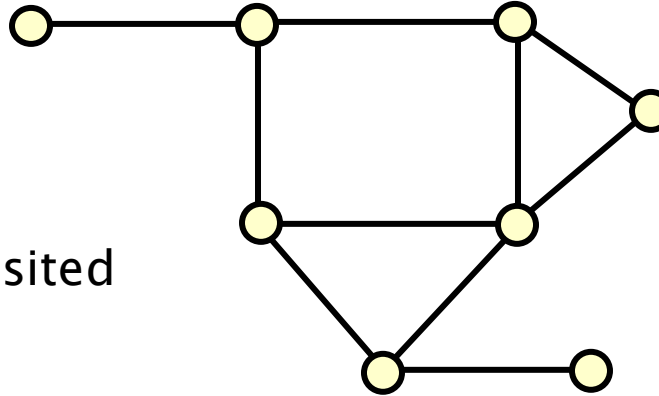




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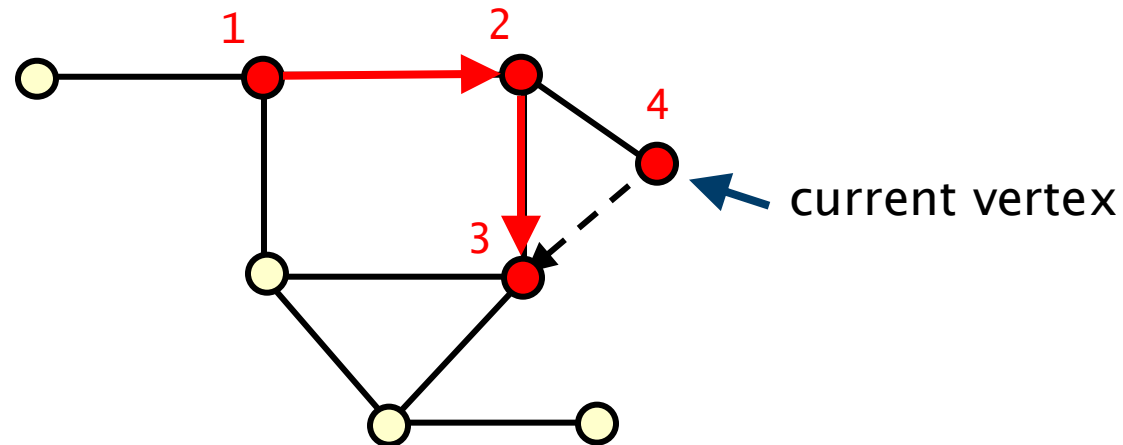
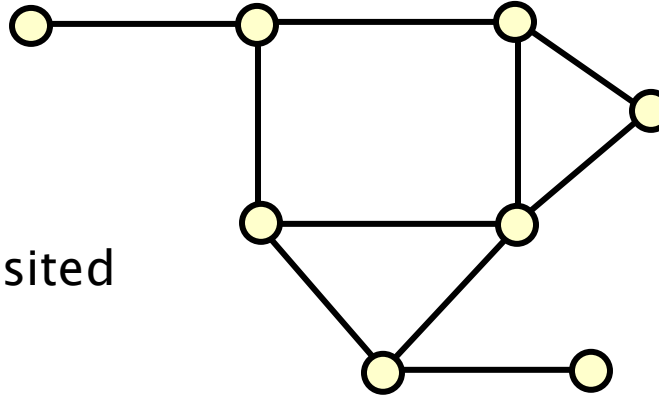
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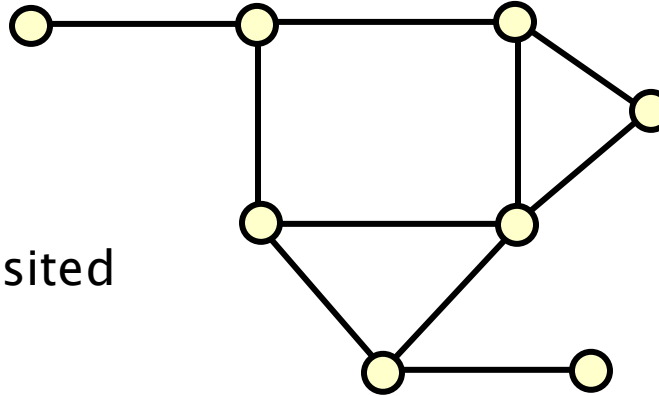
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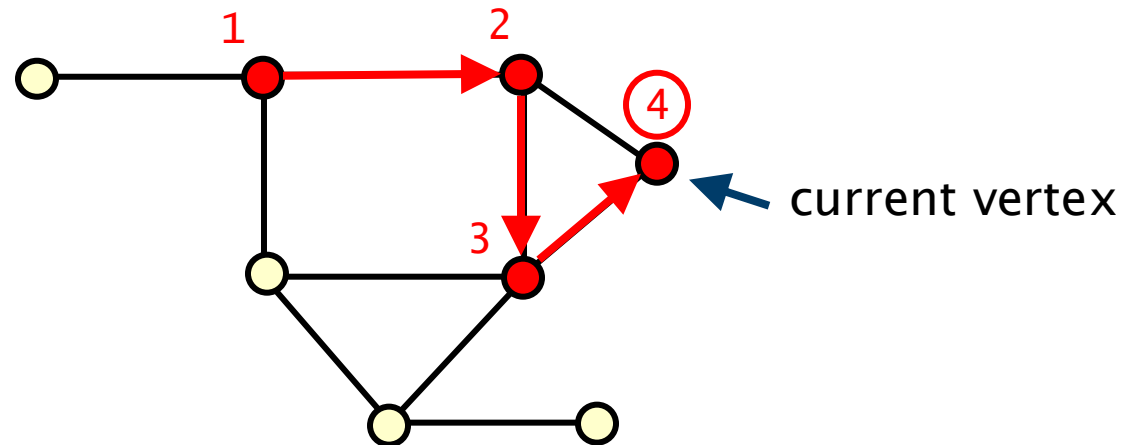
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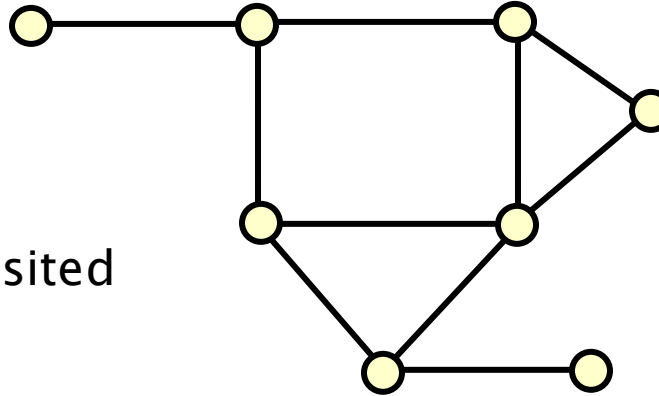
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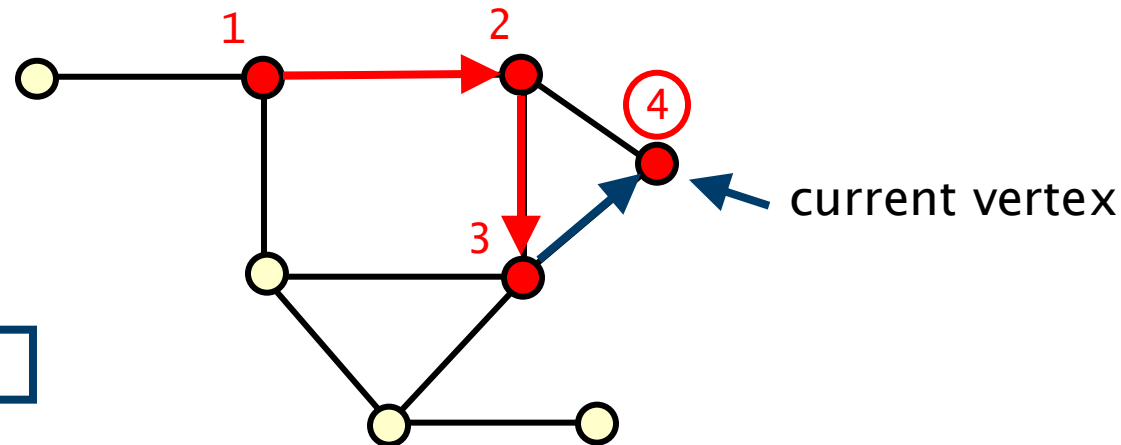
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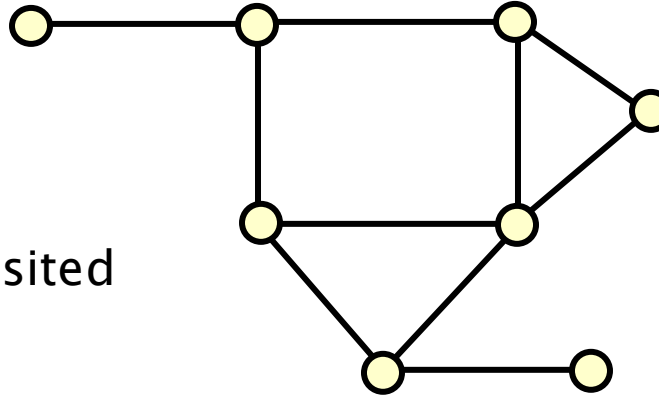
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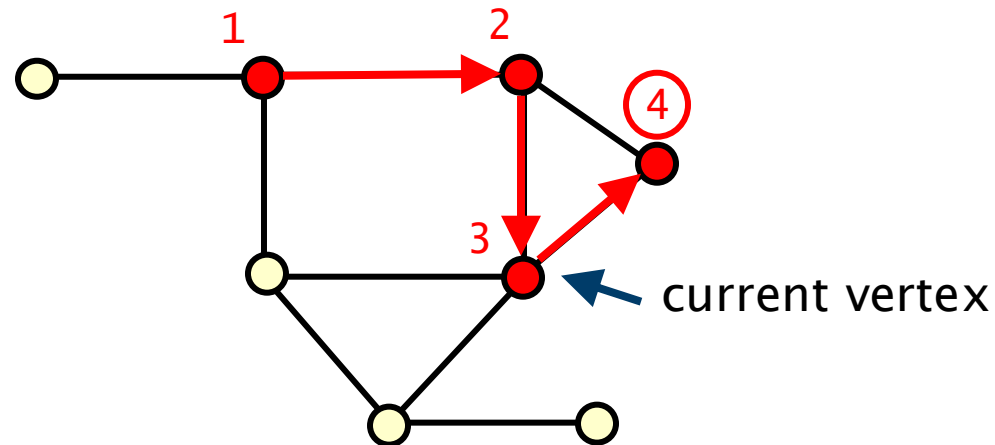
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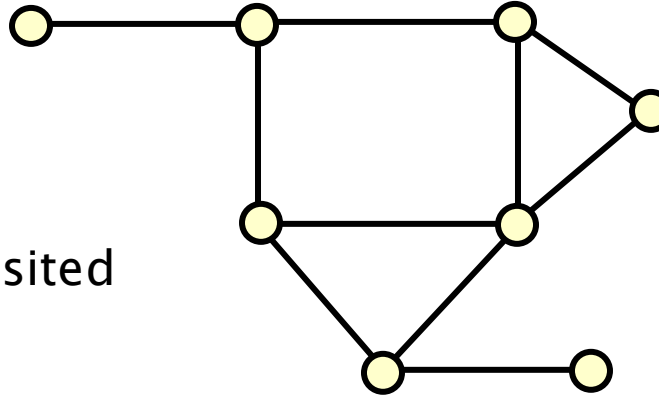
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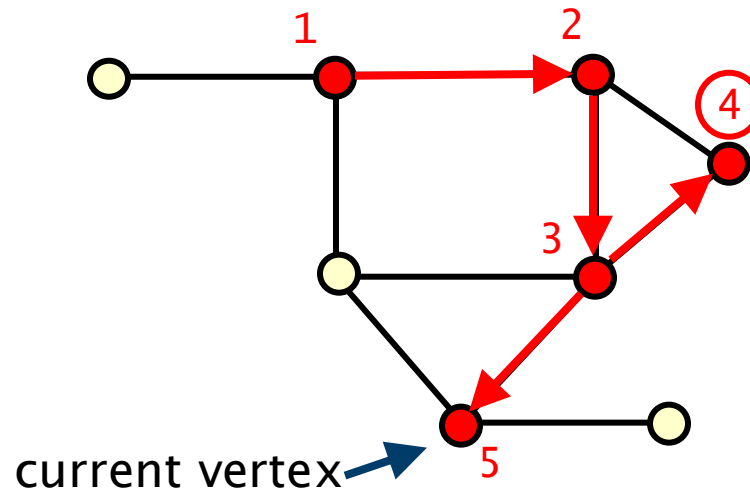
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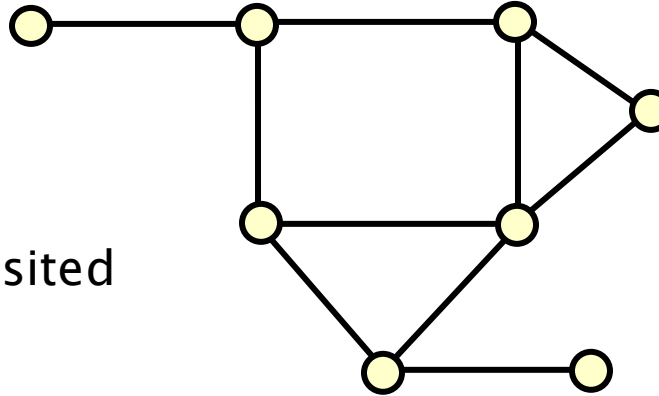
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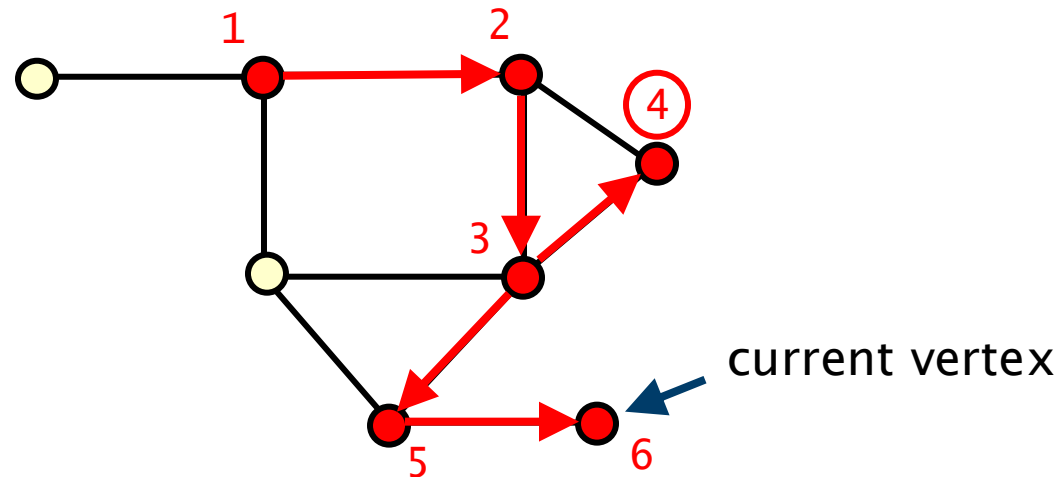
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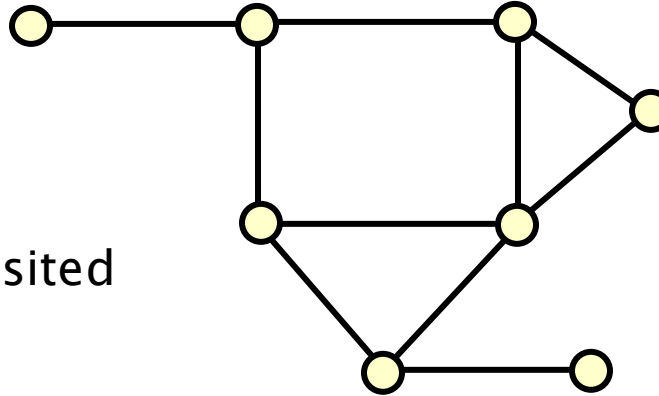
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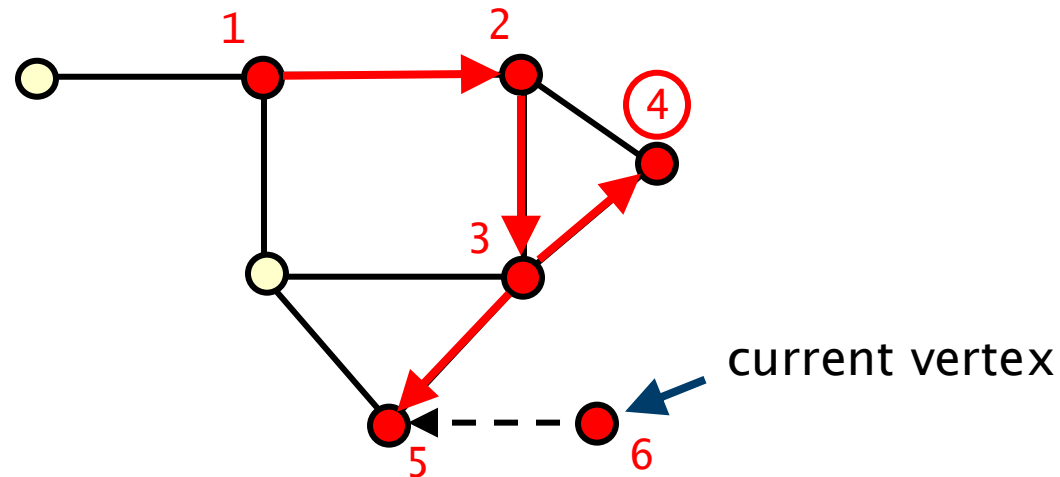
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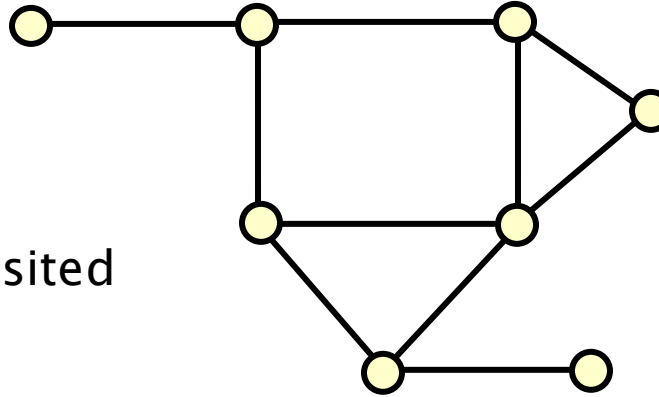
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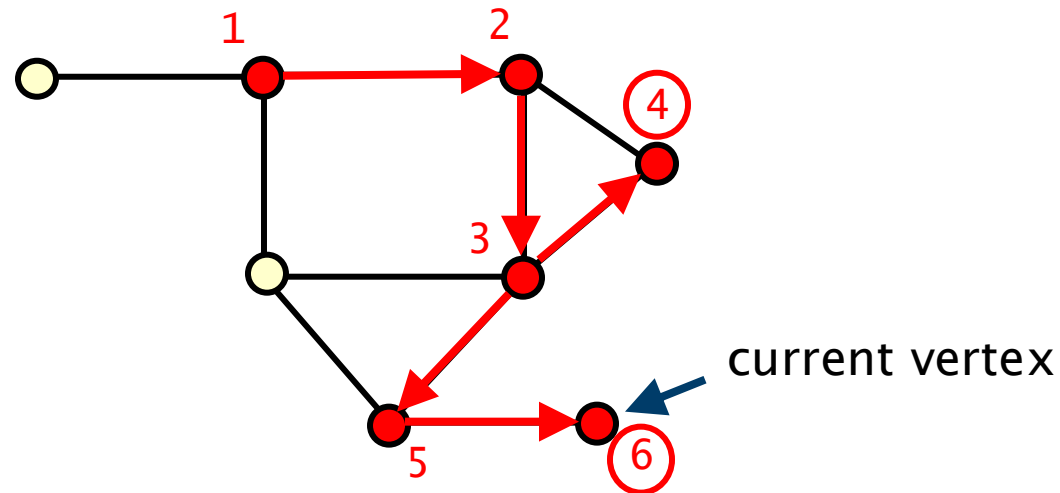
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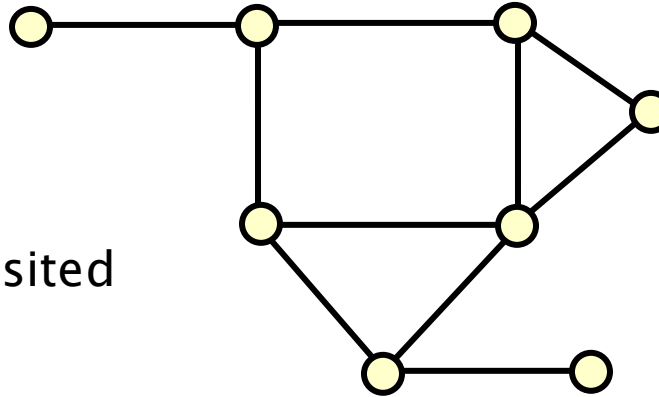
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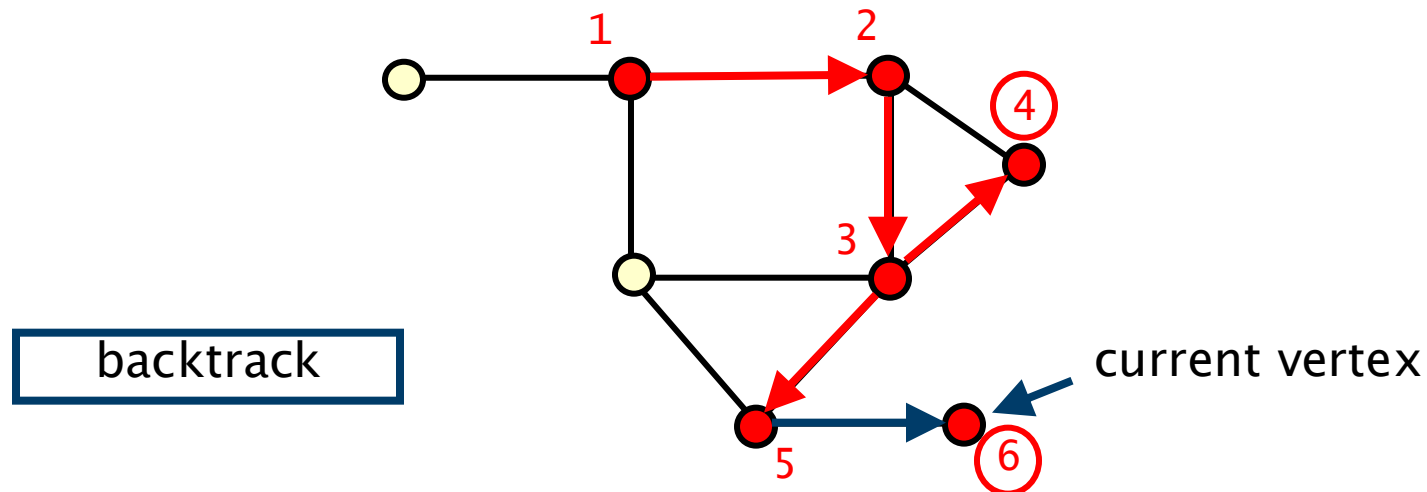
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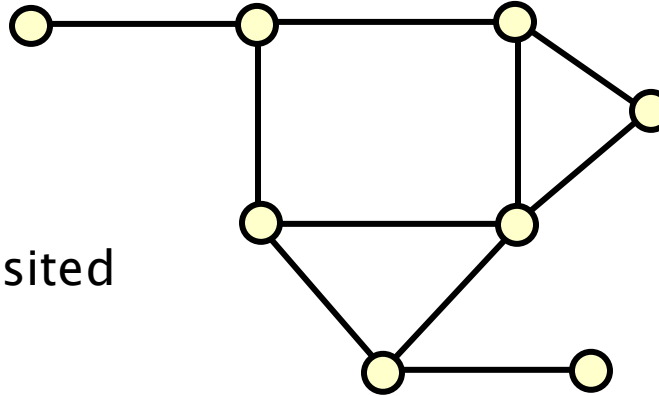
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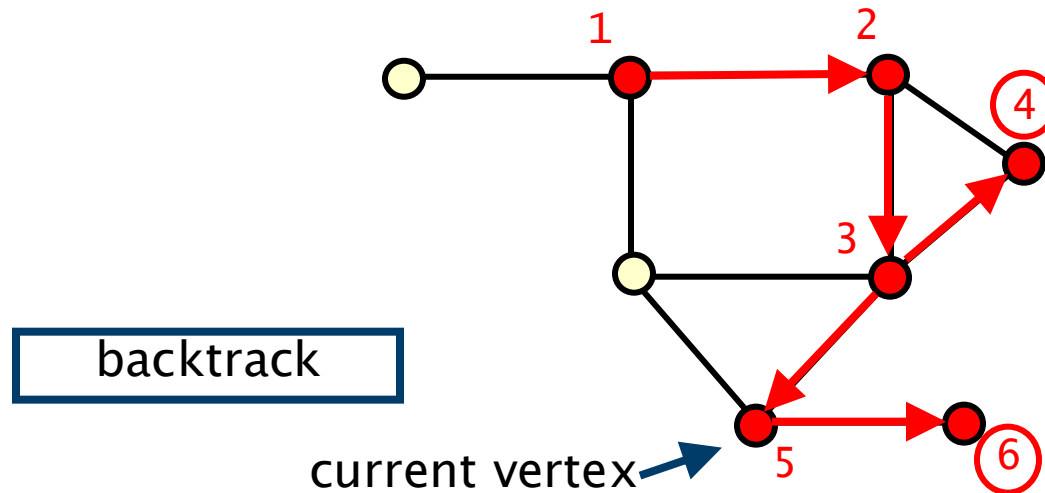
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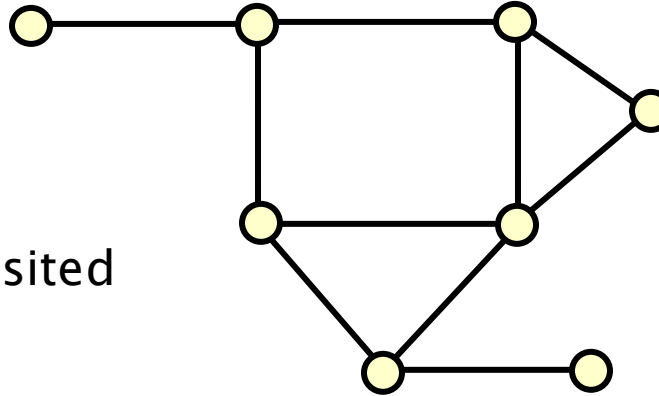
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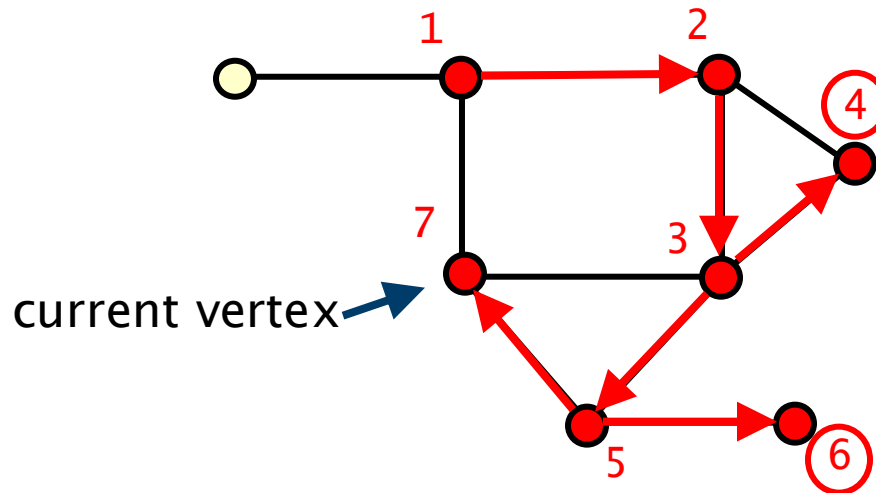
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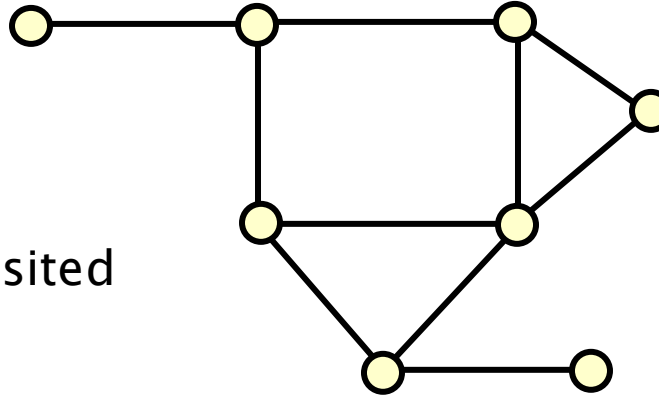
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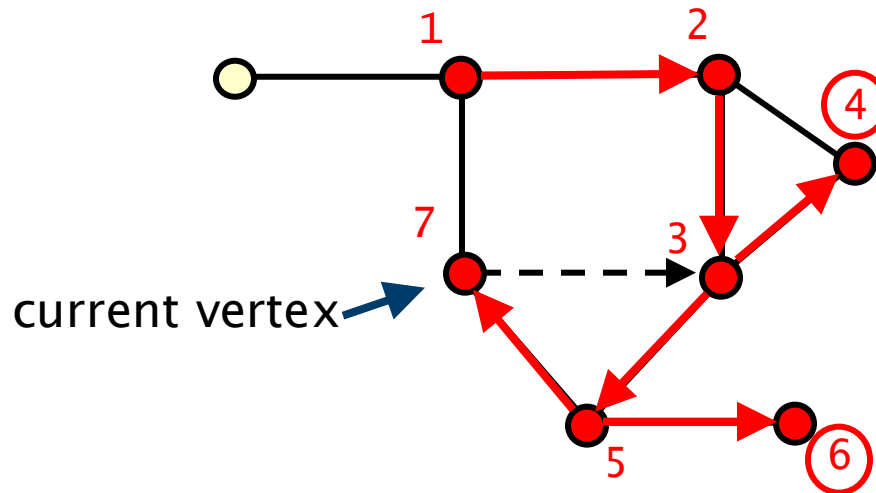
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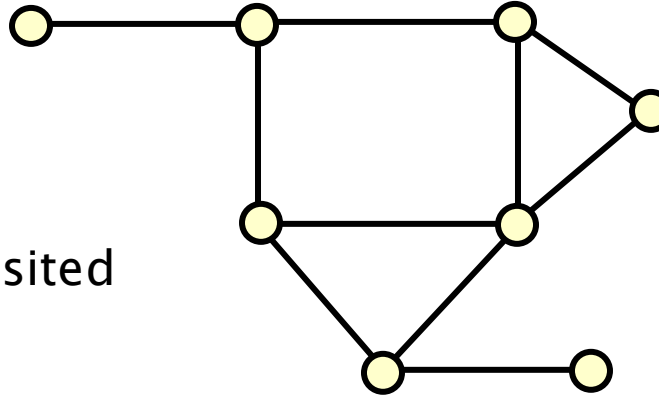
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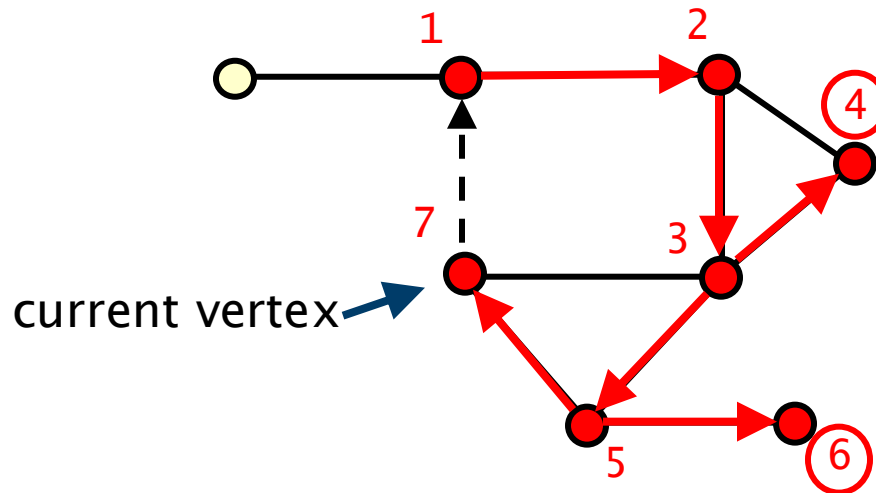
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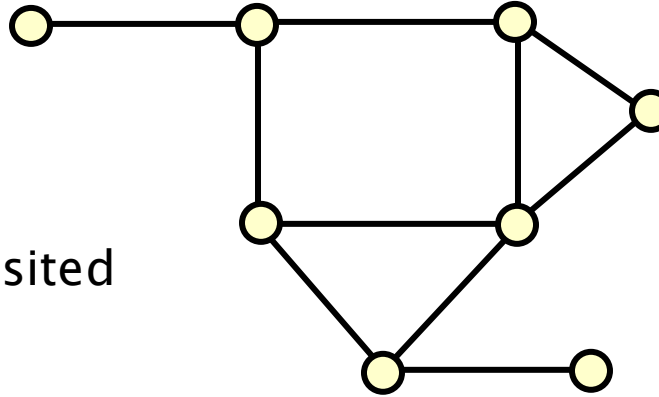
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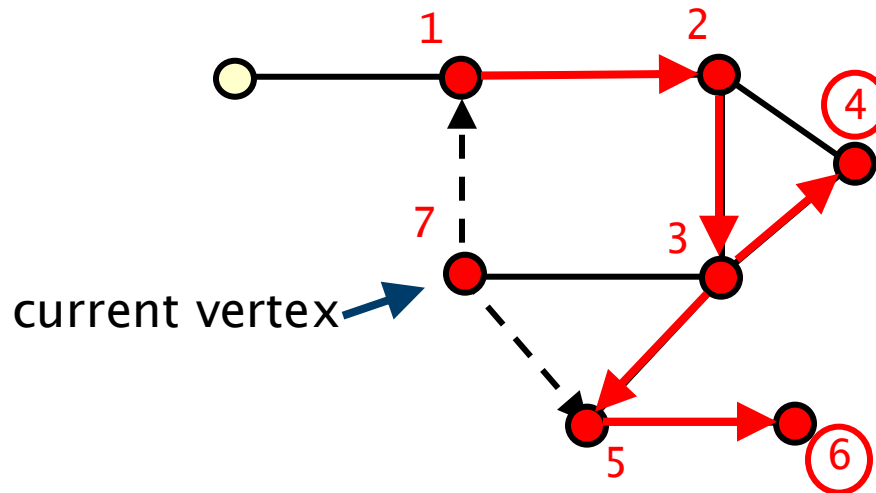
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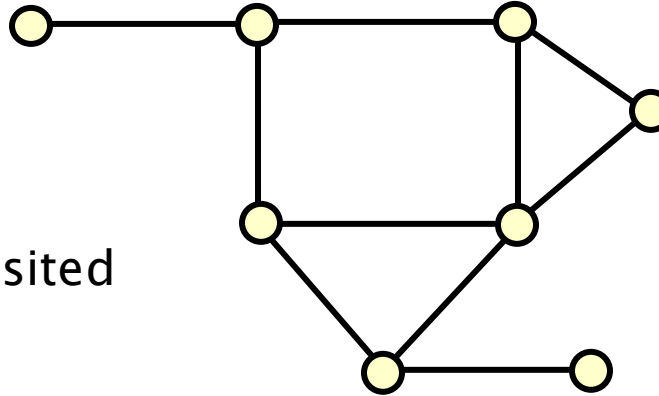
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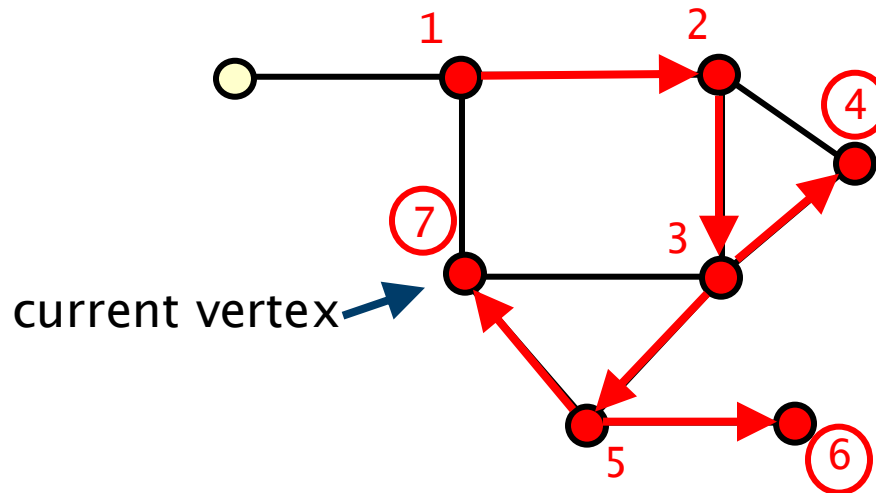
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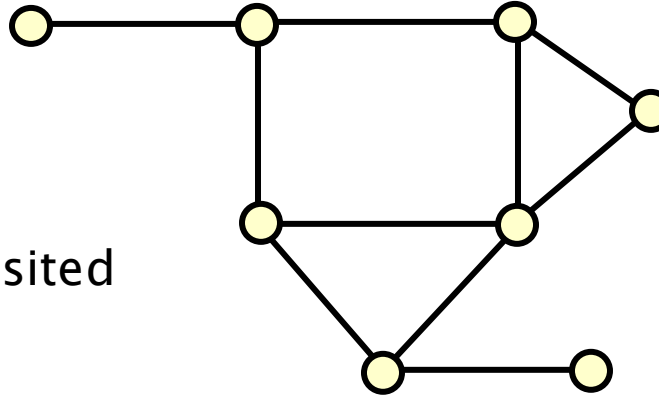
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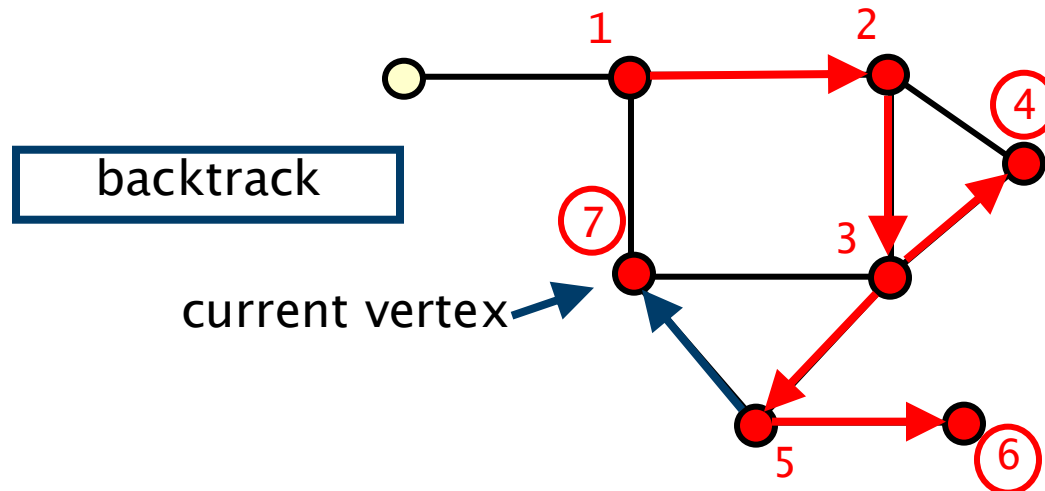
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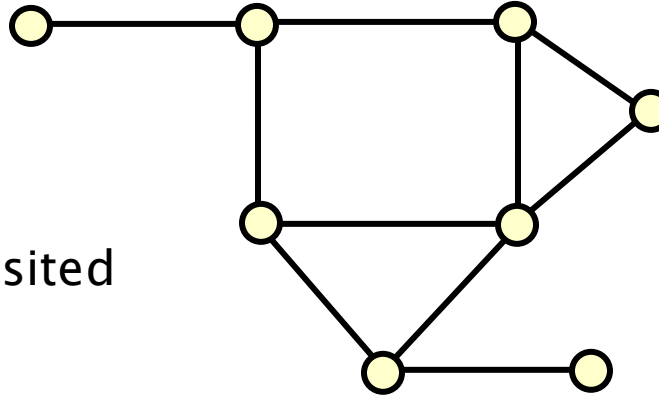
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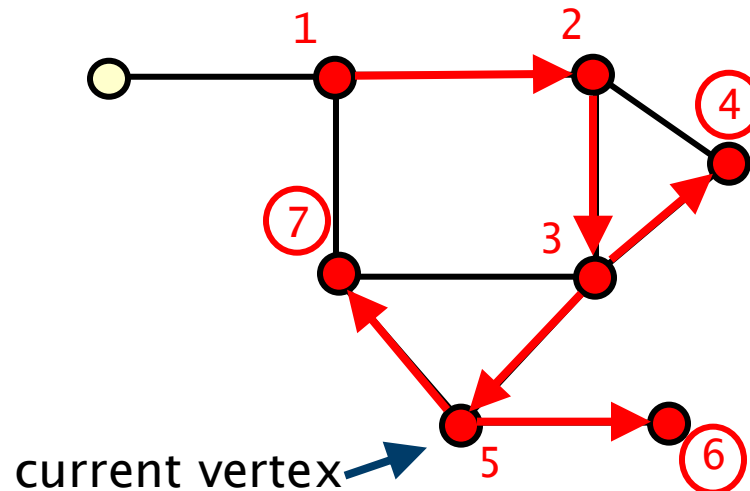
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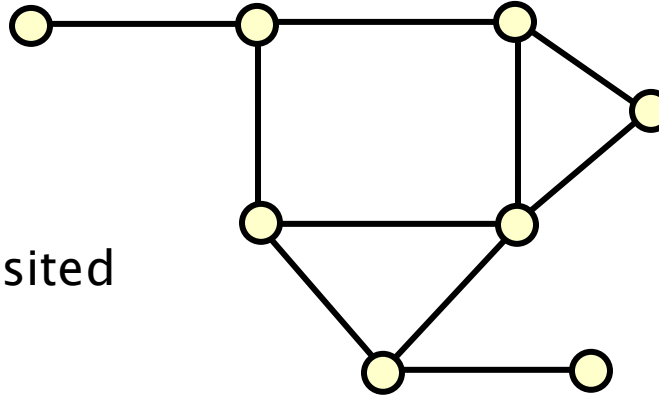
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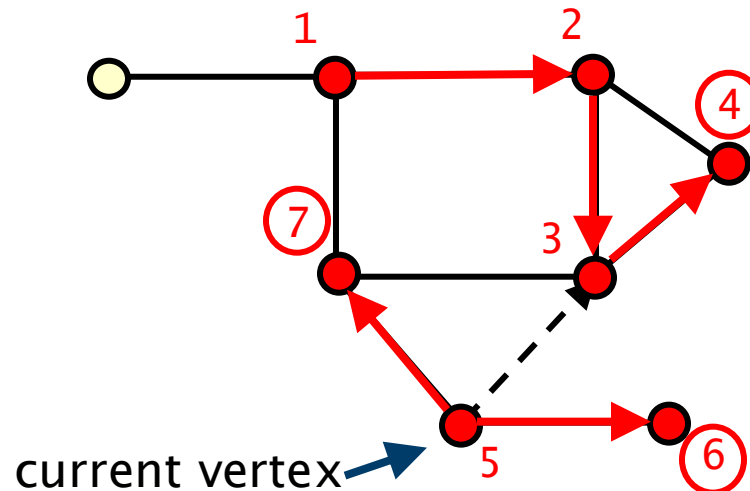
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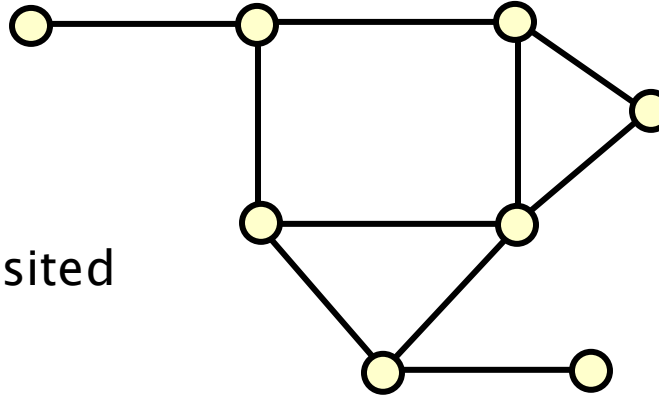
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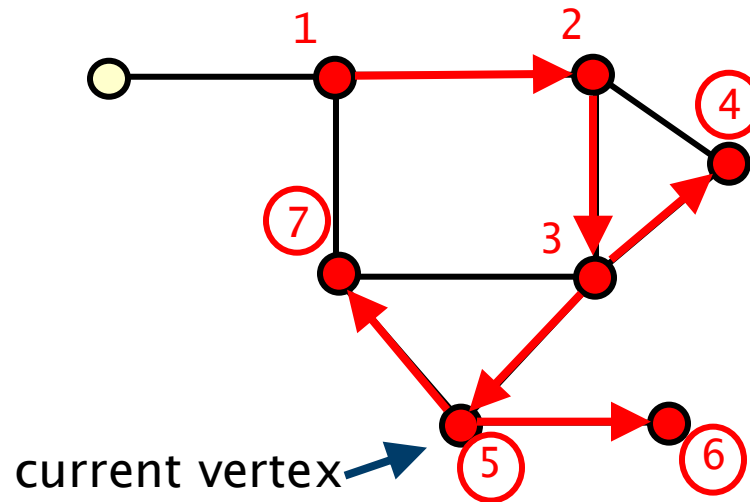
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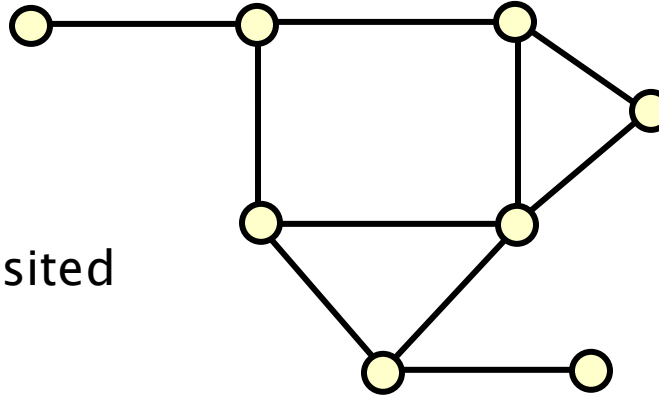
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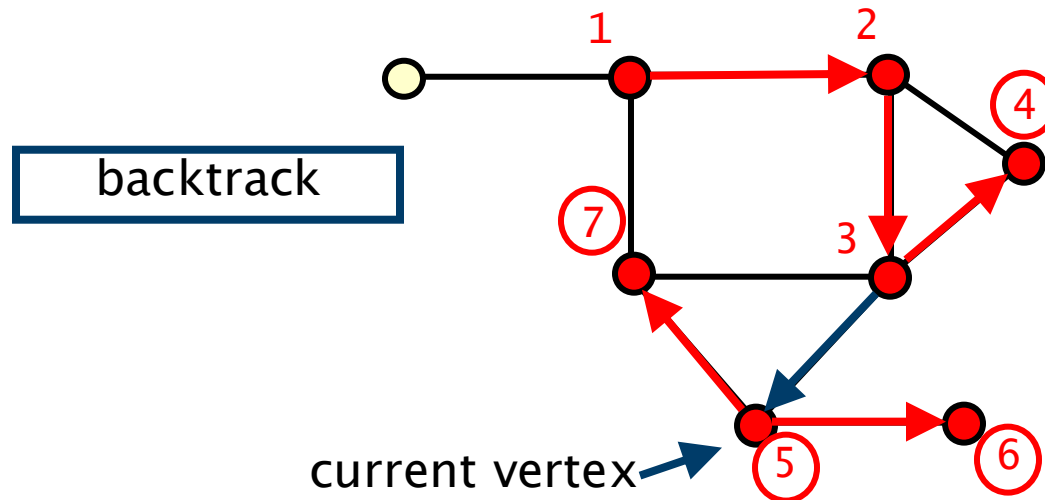
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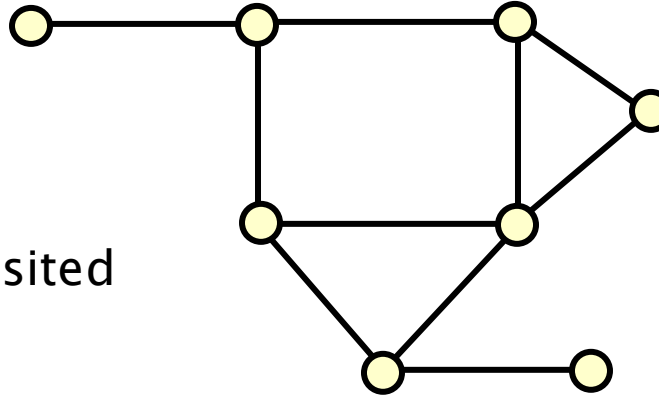
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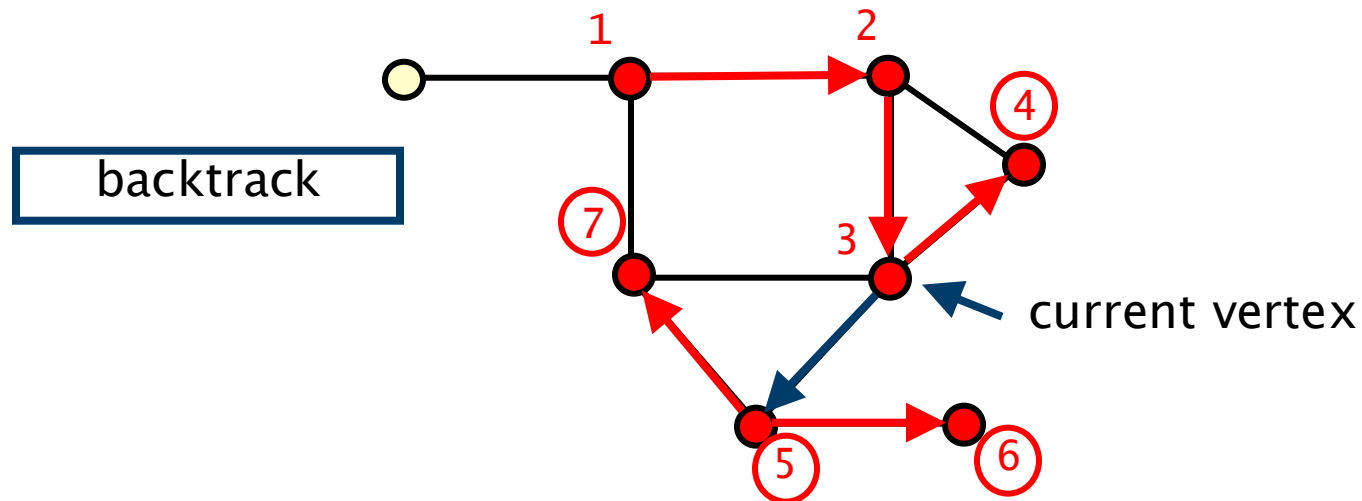
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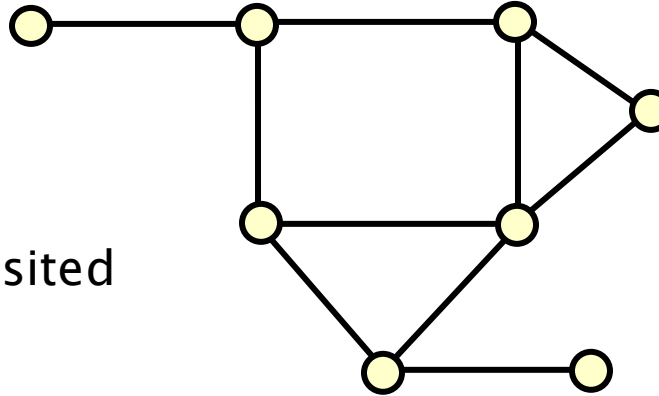
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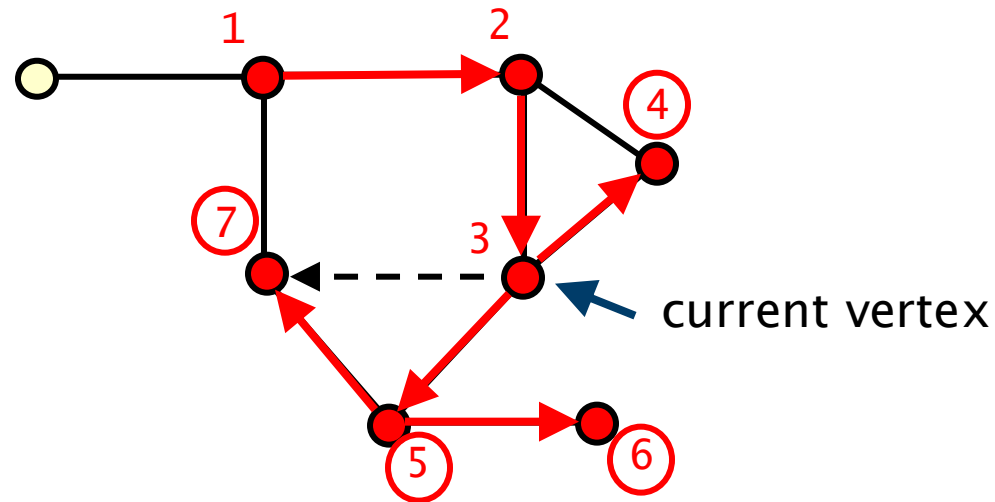
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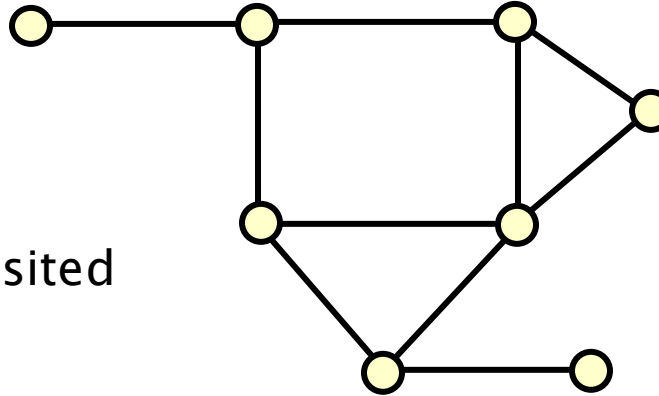
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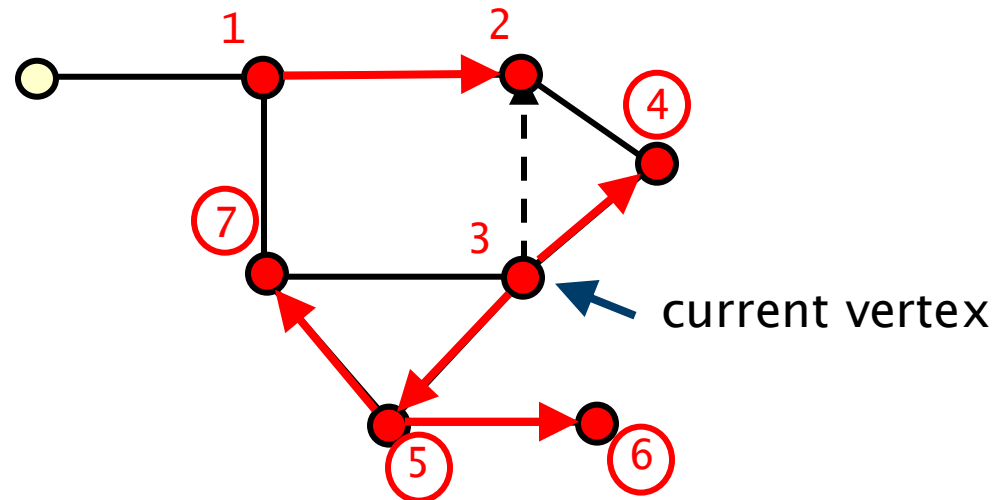
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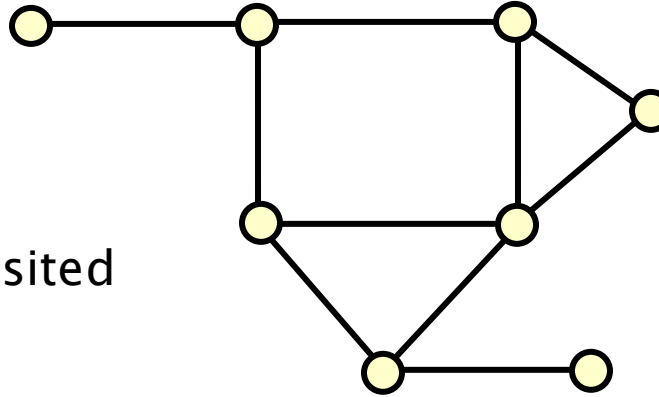
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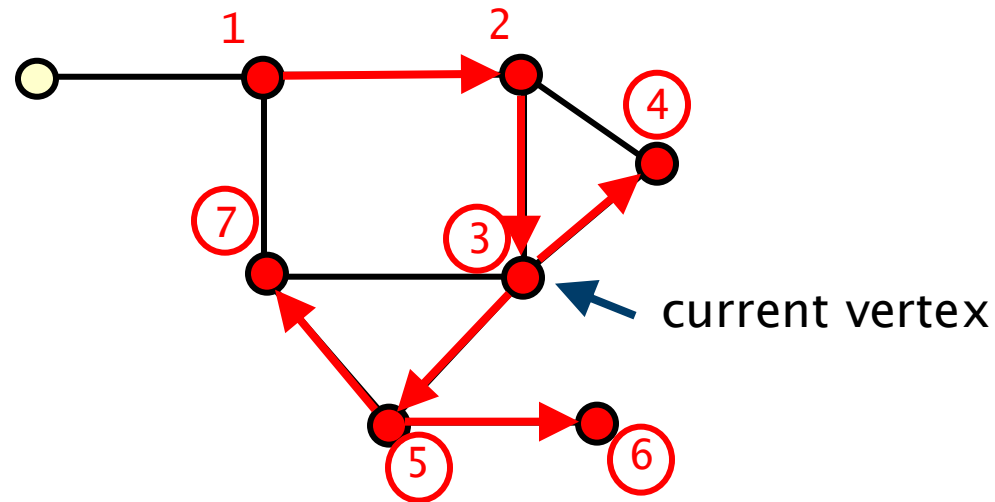
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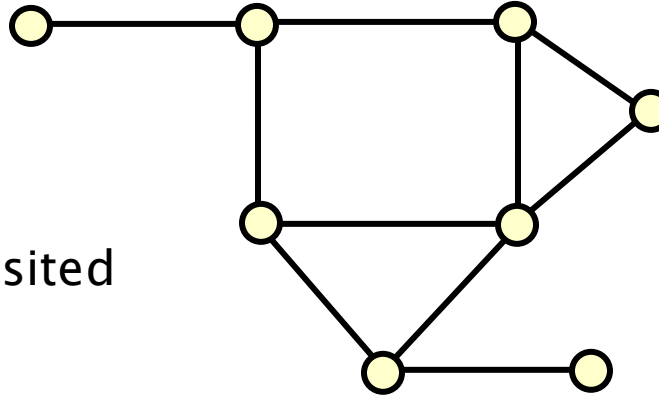
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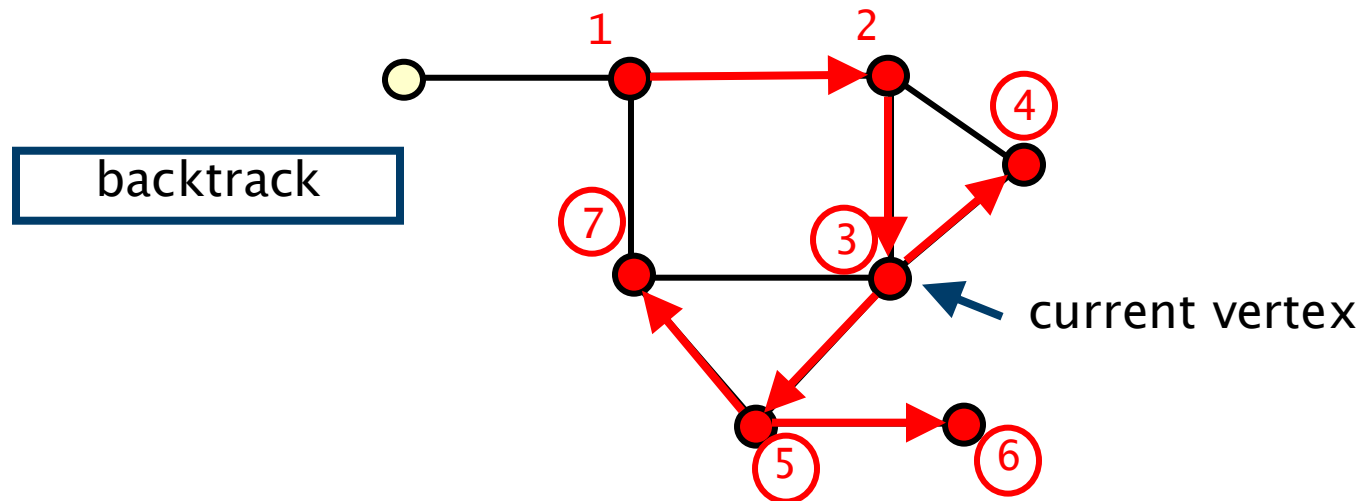
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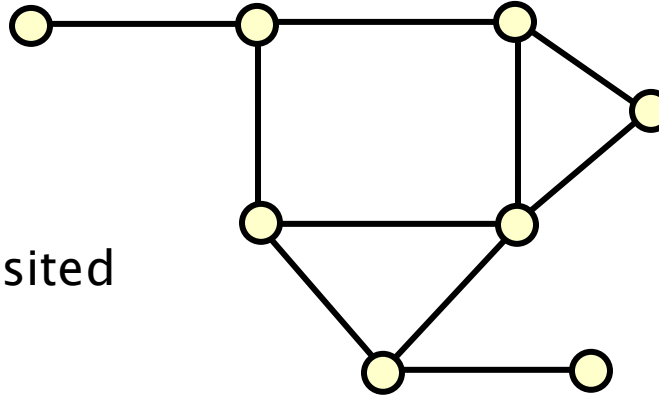
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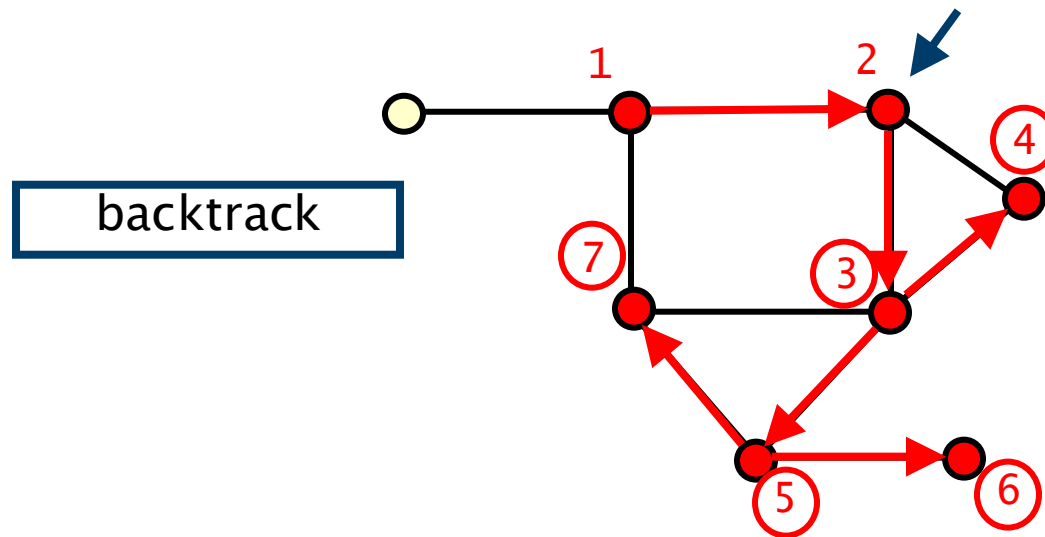
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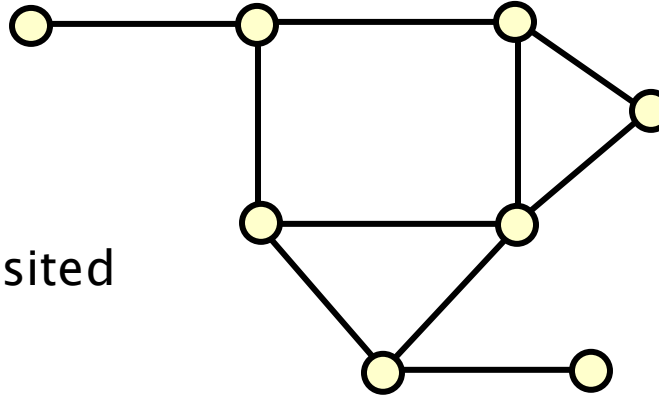
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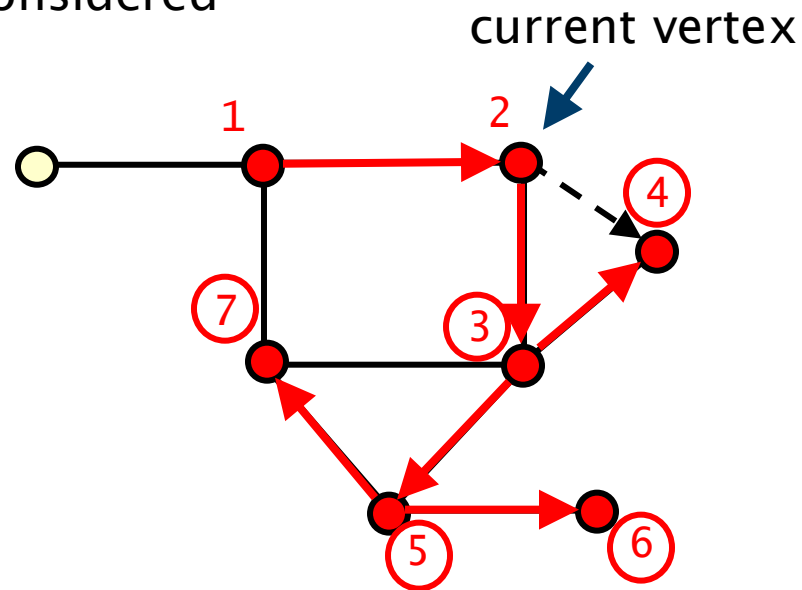
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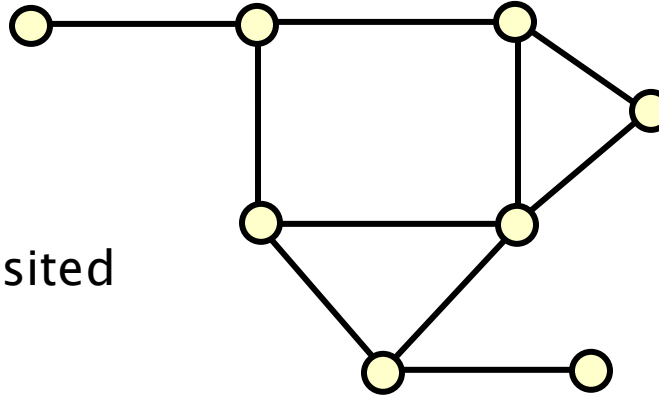
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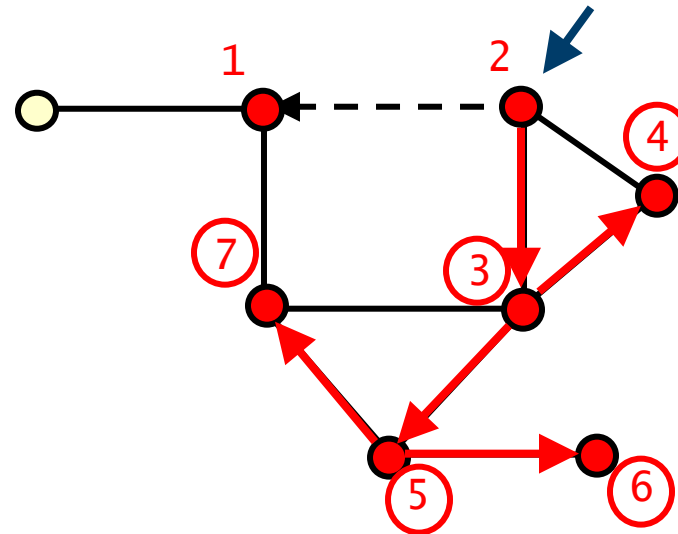
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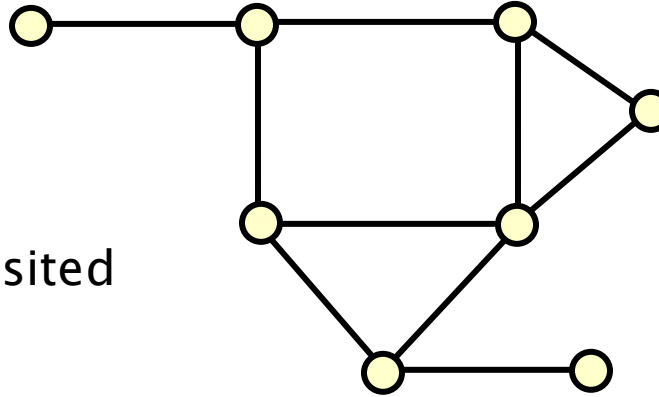
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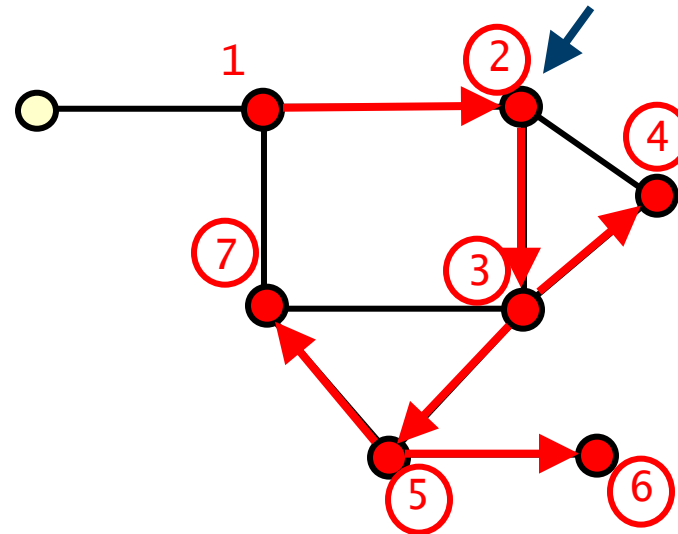
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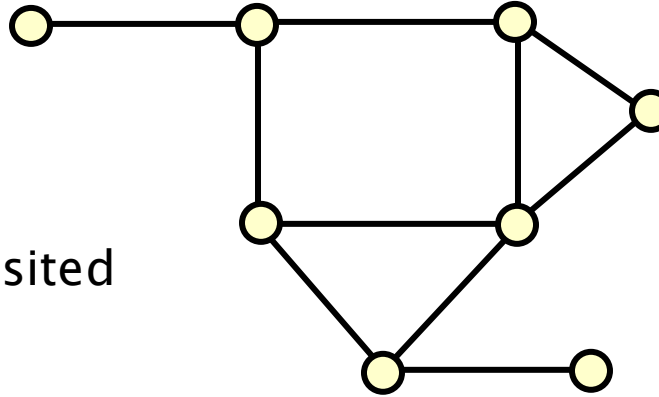
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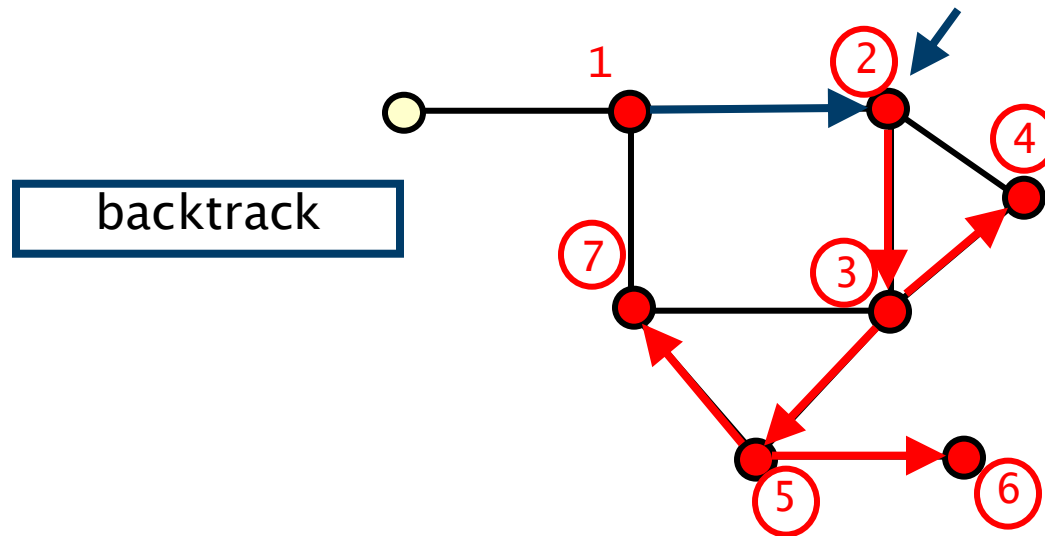
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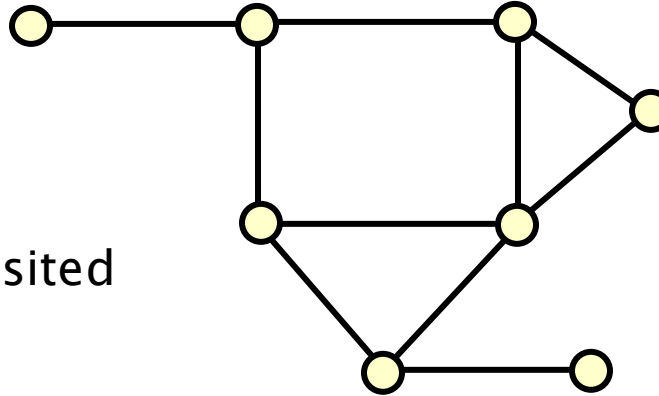
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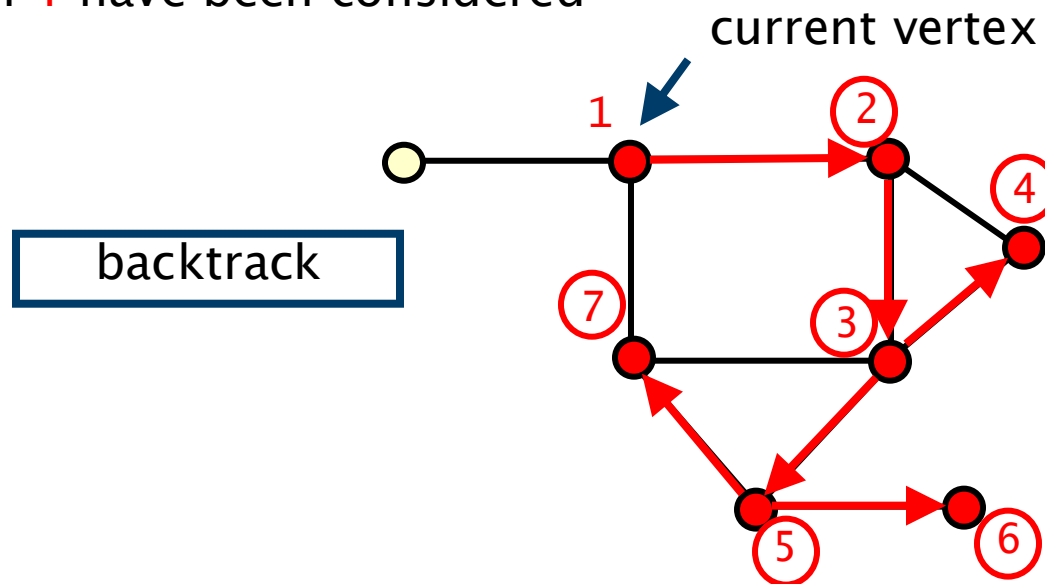
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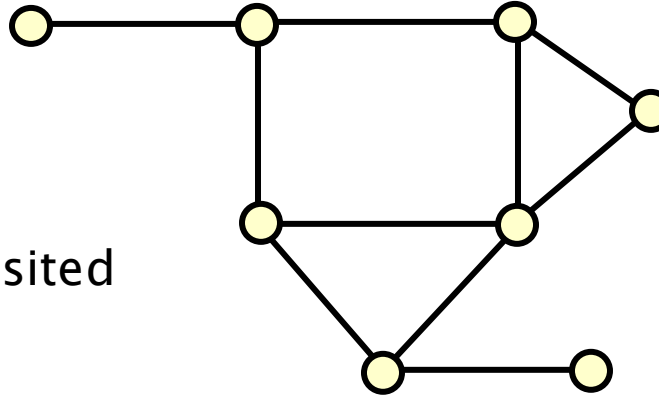
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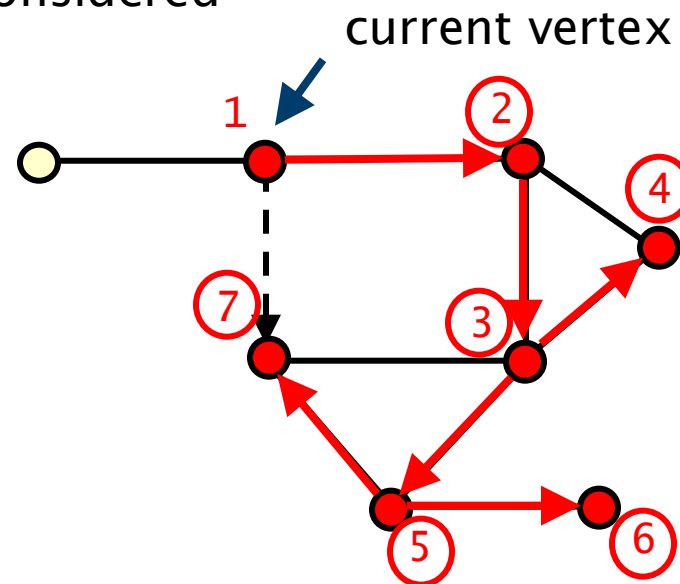
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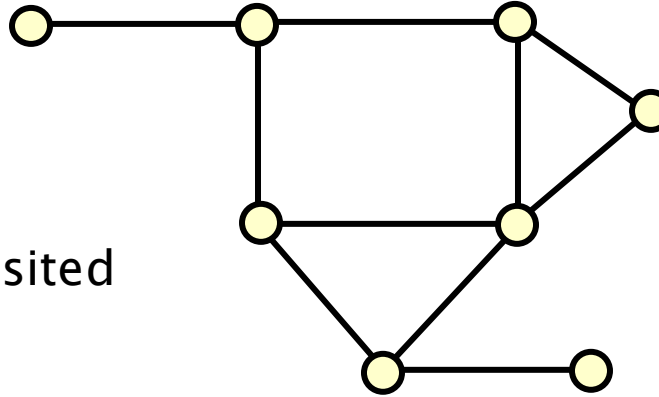
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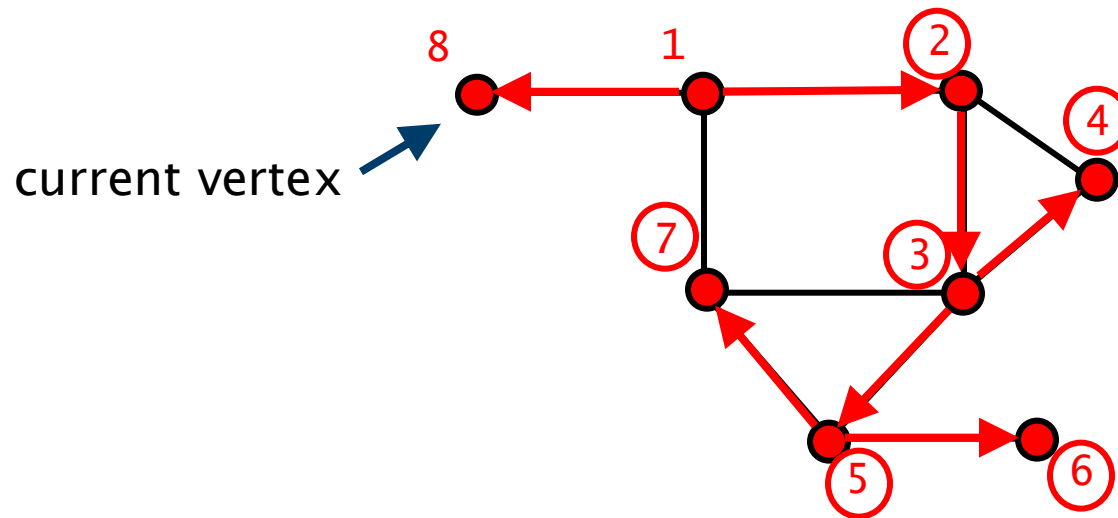
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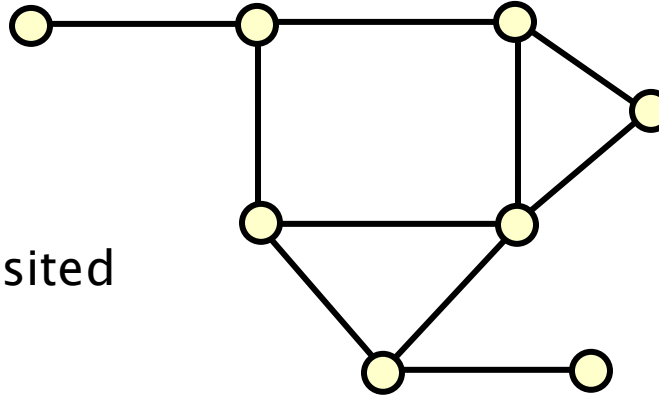
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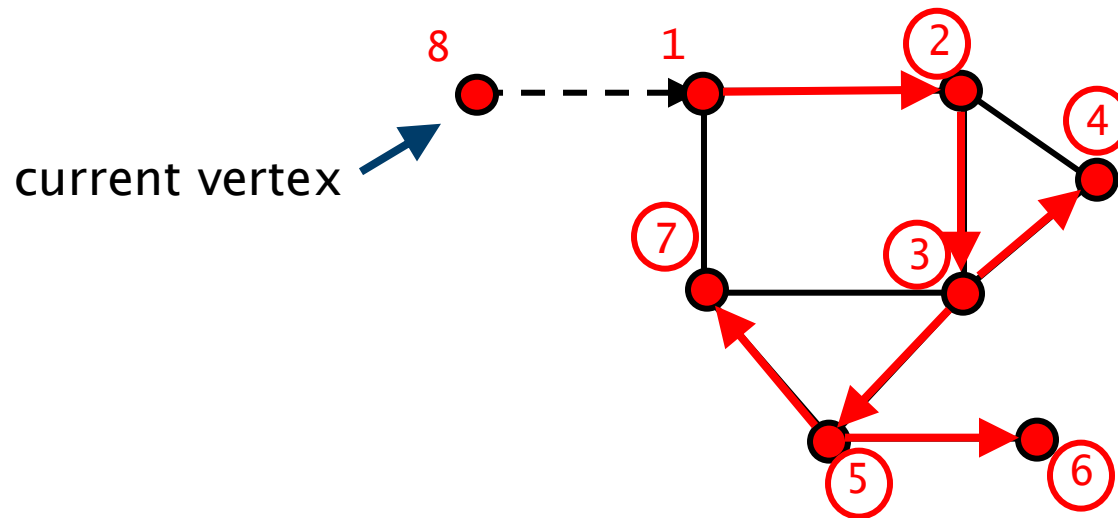
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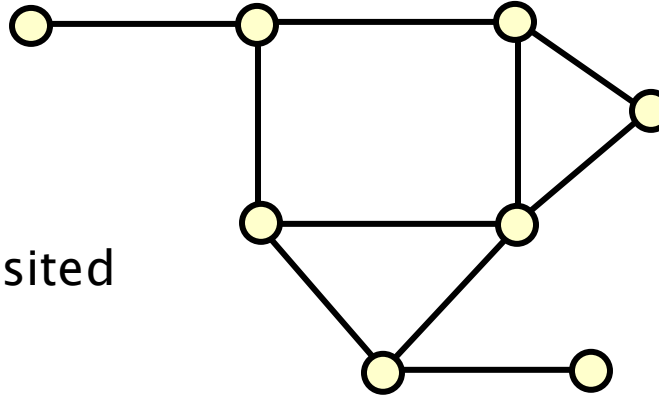
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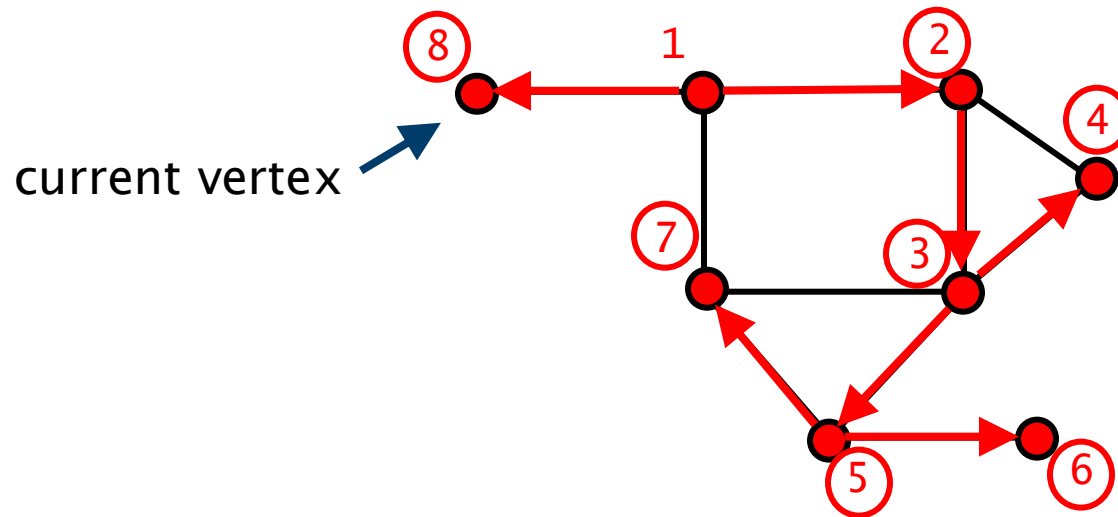
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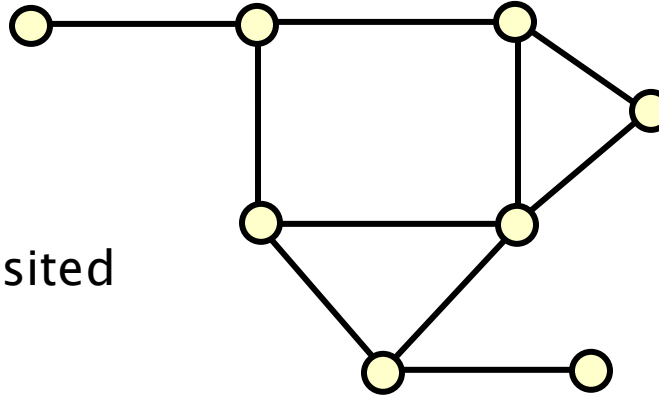
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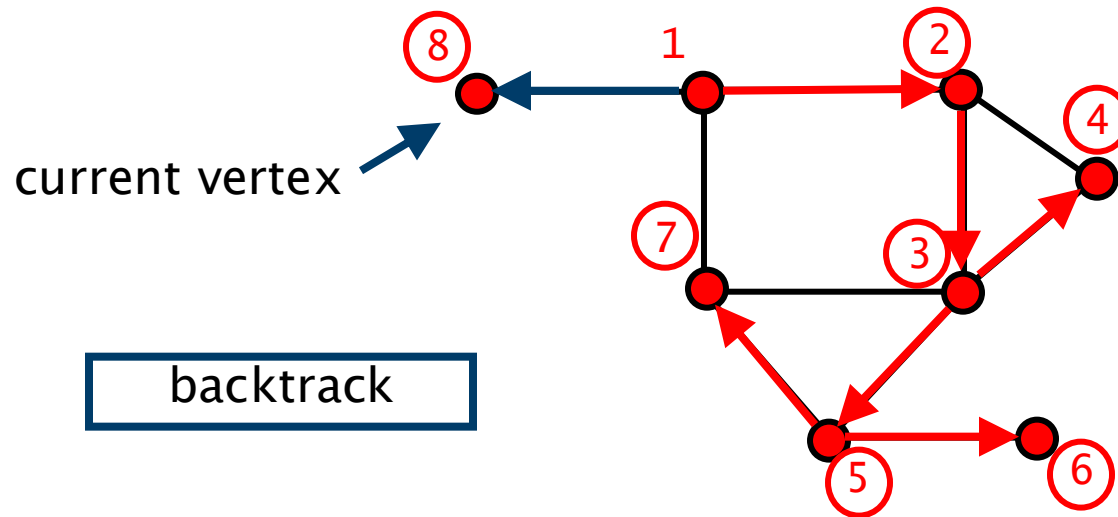
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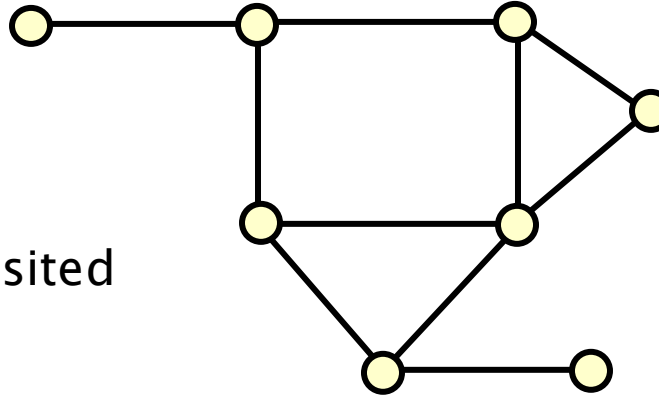
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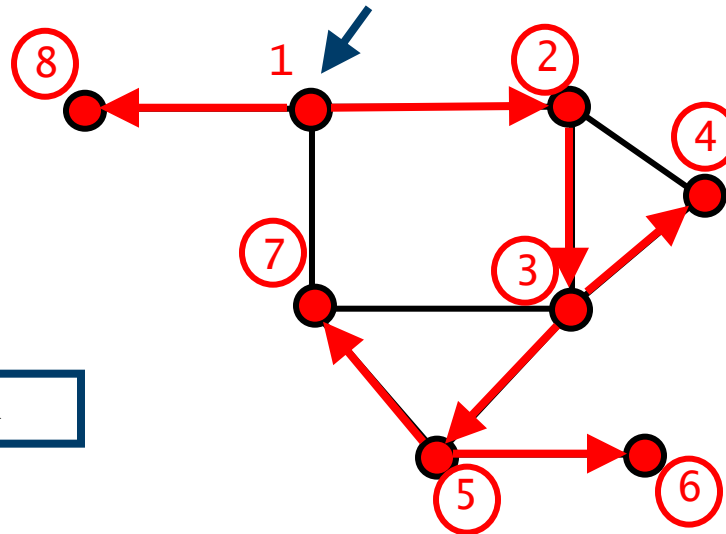
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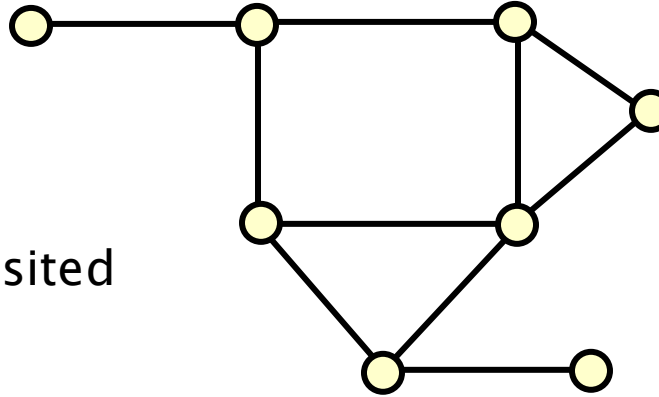
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backtrack

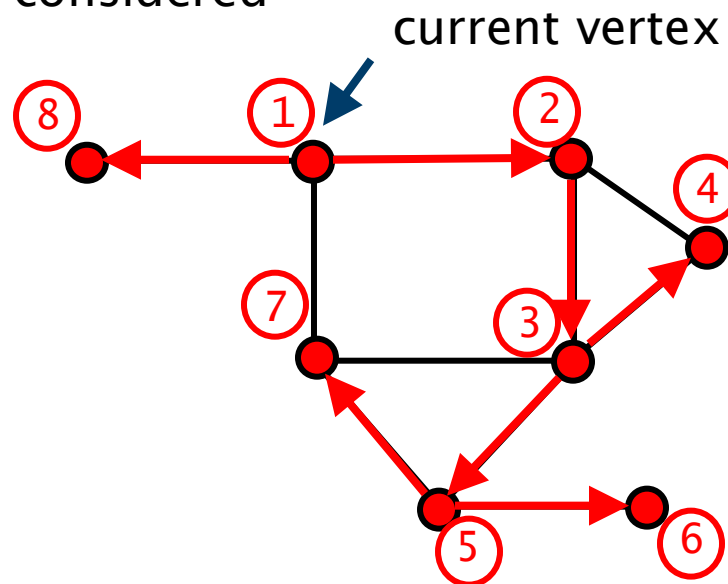
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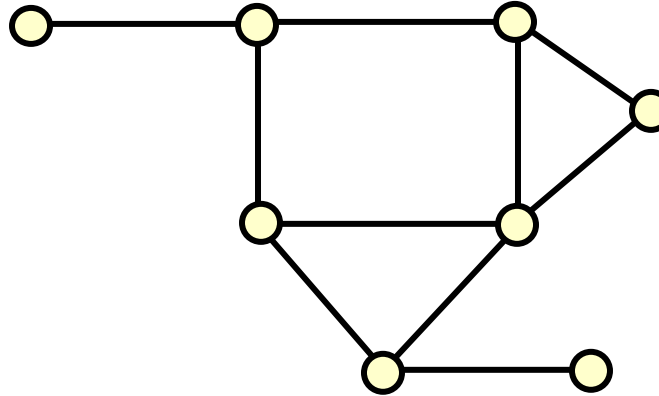
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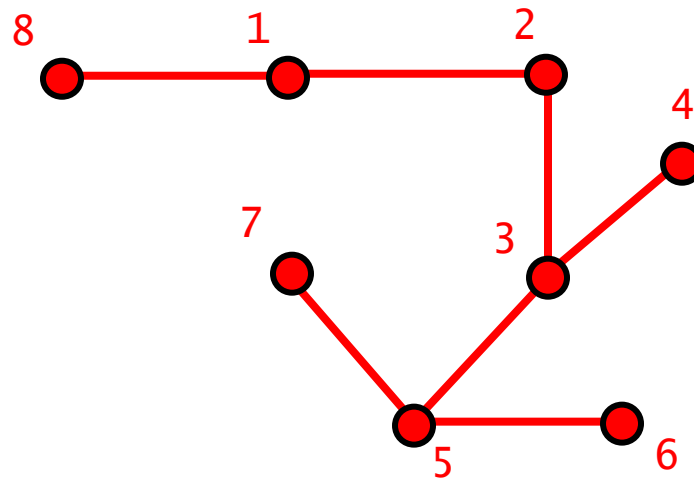


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Undirected graph **G**



Depth first spanning tree of **G**

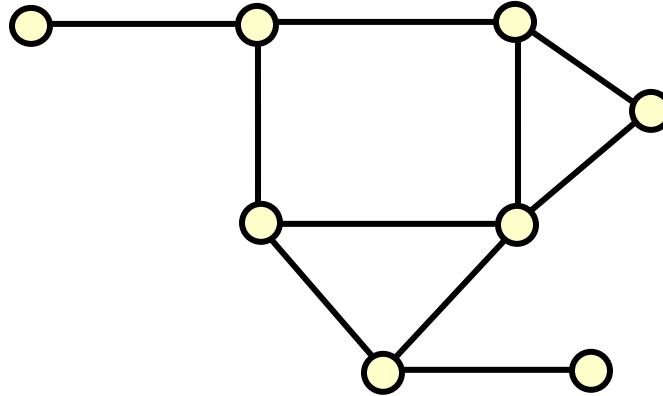


Is it unique?

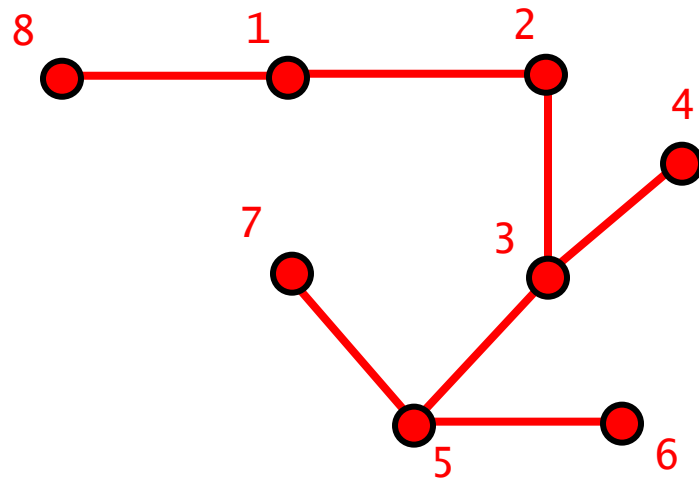


# Depth first traversal – Example

Undirected graph **G**



A depth first spanning tree of **G**



What if from 1 we went to 7 first?

# Recall adjacency list implementation

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## Class: adjacency node

- represents an element of an adjacency list
- includes the index of the corresponding vertex

## Class: vertex

- represents a single vertex of the graph
- includes linked list of adjacency nodes representing the adjacent vertices

## Class: graph

- an array of vertices

# Implementation – DFS – Add to vertex class

```
private boolean visited; // has vertex been visited in a traversal?

private int pred; // index of the predecessor vertex in a traversal

public boolean getVisited(){ // was this vertex visited?
    return visited;
}

public void setVisited(boolean b){ // on 1st encounter, set as true
    visited = b;
}

public int getPred(){ // for when we're backtracking
    return pred;
}

public void setPred(int i){ // when we find new vertex during search
    pred = i;
}
```

# Implementation – DFS – Add to graph class

```
/** visit vertex v, with predecessor index p, during a dfs */
private void visit(Vertex v, int p){
    v.setVisited(true); // update as now visited
    v.setPred(p); // set predecessor (indicates edge used to find vertex)
    LinkedList<AdjListNode> L = v.getAdjList(); // get adjacency list

    for (AdjListNode node : L){ // go through all adjacent vertices
        int i = node.getIndex(); // find index of current vertex in list
        if (!vertices[i].getVisited()) // if vertex has not been visited
            visit(vertices[i], v.getIndex()); // continue dfs search from it
            // setting the predecessor vertex index to the index of v
        }
    }
}

/** carry out a depth first search/traversal of the graph */
public void dfs(){
    for (Vertex v : vertices) v.setVisited(false); // initialise
    for (Vertex v : vertices) if (!v.getVisited()) visit(v,-1);
    // if vertex is not yet visited, then start dfs on vertex w/ predecessor
    // -1 is used to indicate v was not found through an edge of the graph
}
```

# Analysis – Depth first search

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Each vertex is visited, and each element in the adjacency lists is processed, so overall  $O(n+m)$

- where  $n$  is the number of vertices and  $m$  the number of edges

Can be adapted to the adjacency matrix representation

- but now  $O(n^2)$  since look at every entry of the adjacency matrix

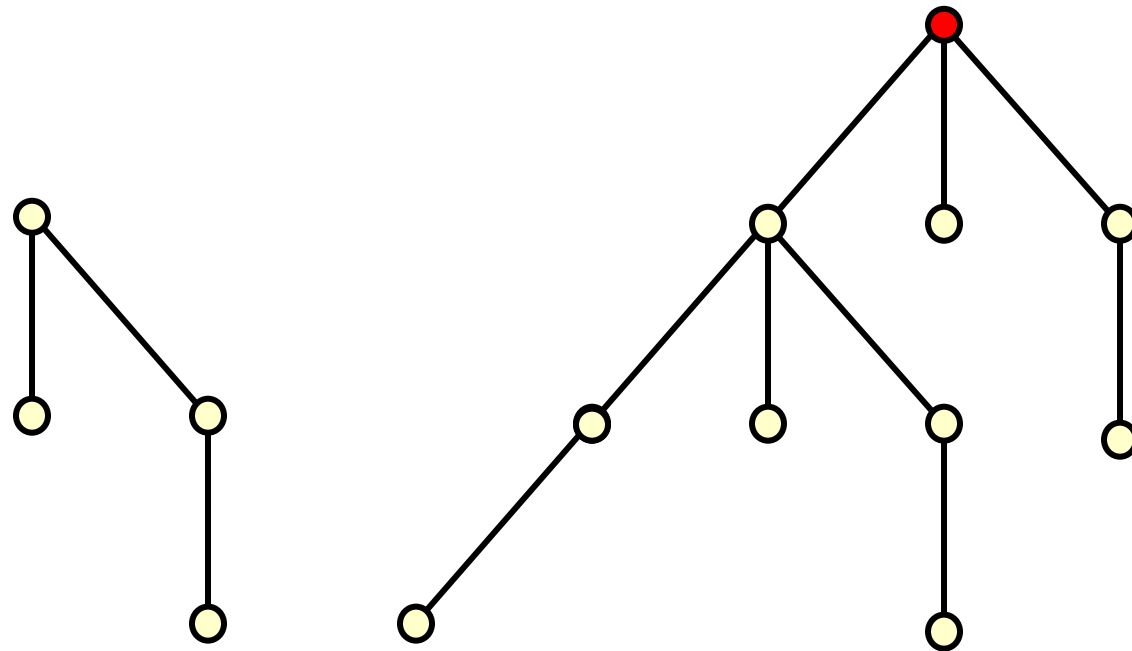
Some applications

- to determine if a given graph is **connected**
- to identify the **connected components** of a graph
- to determine if a given graph contains a **cycle** (see tutorial 5)
- to determine if a given graph is **bipartite** (see tutorial 5)
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# Recall – Depth first search/traversal (DFS)

## From starting vertex

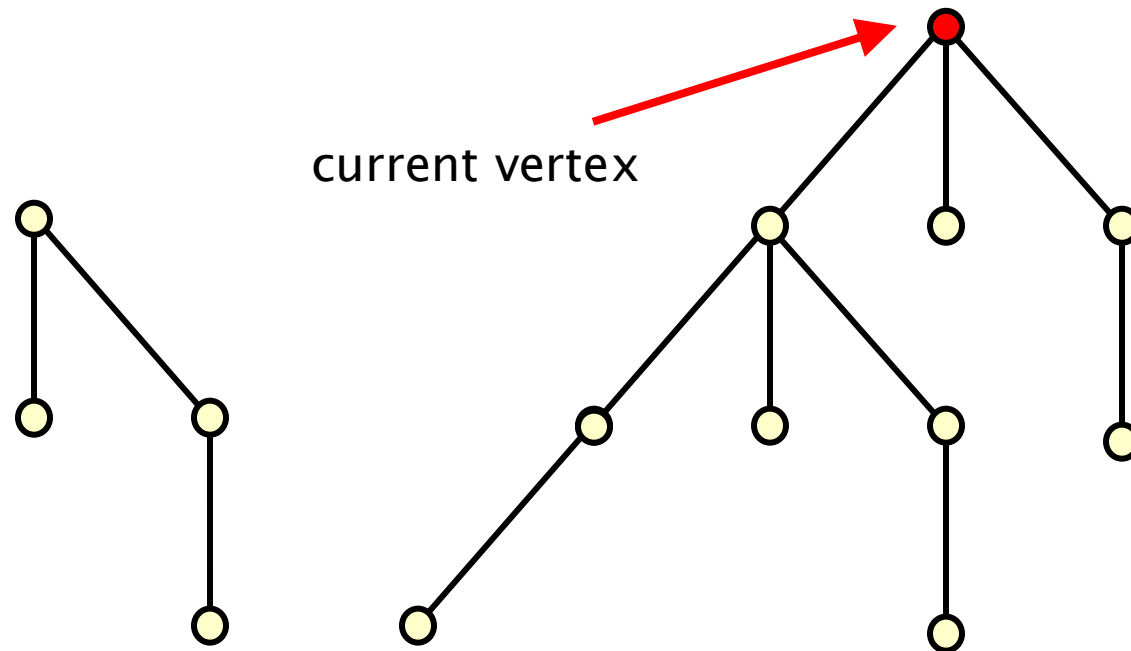
- follow a path of **unvisited vertices** until path can be extended no further



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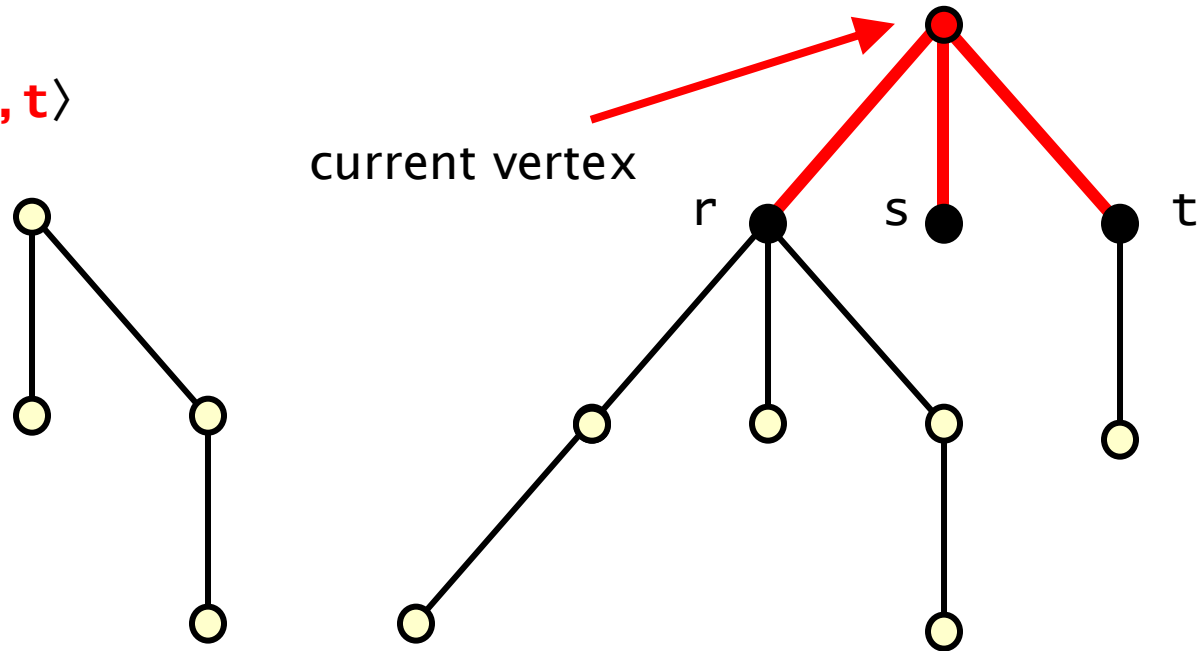


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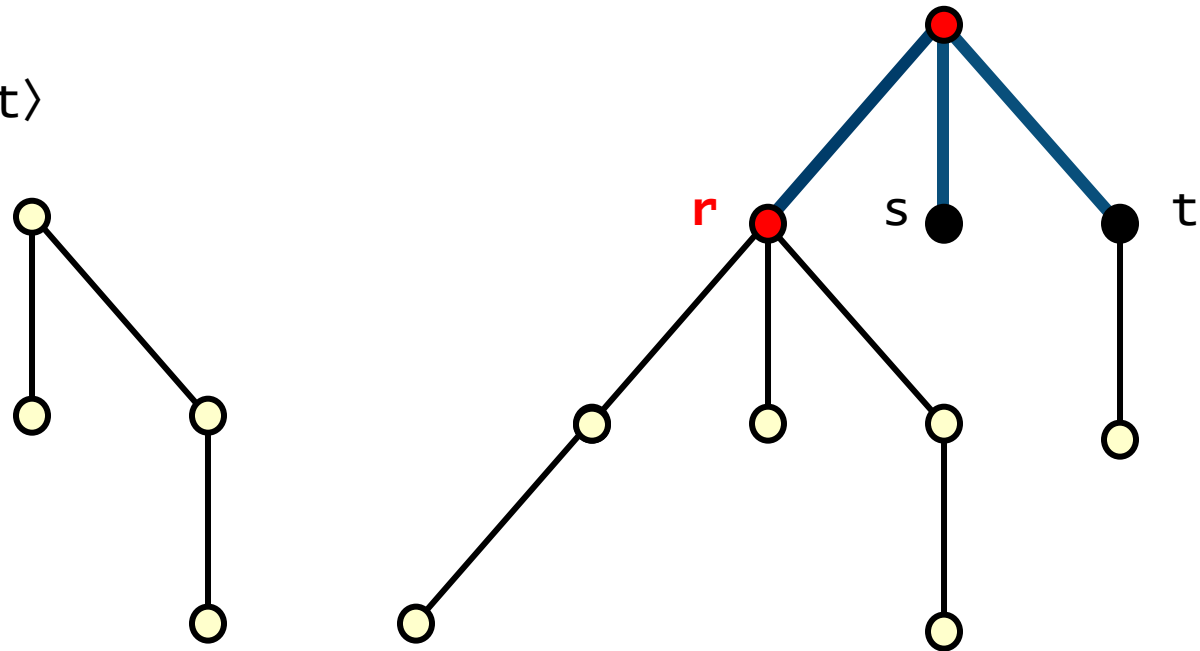


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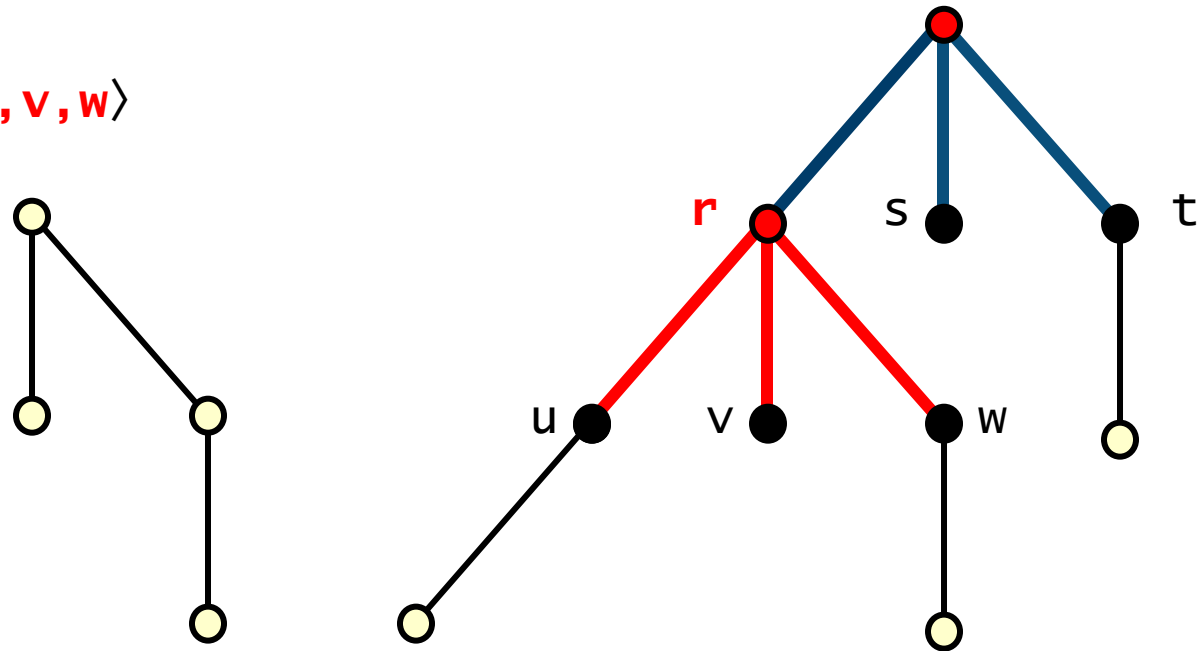


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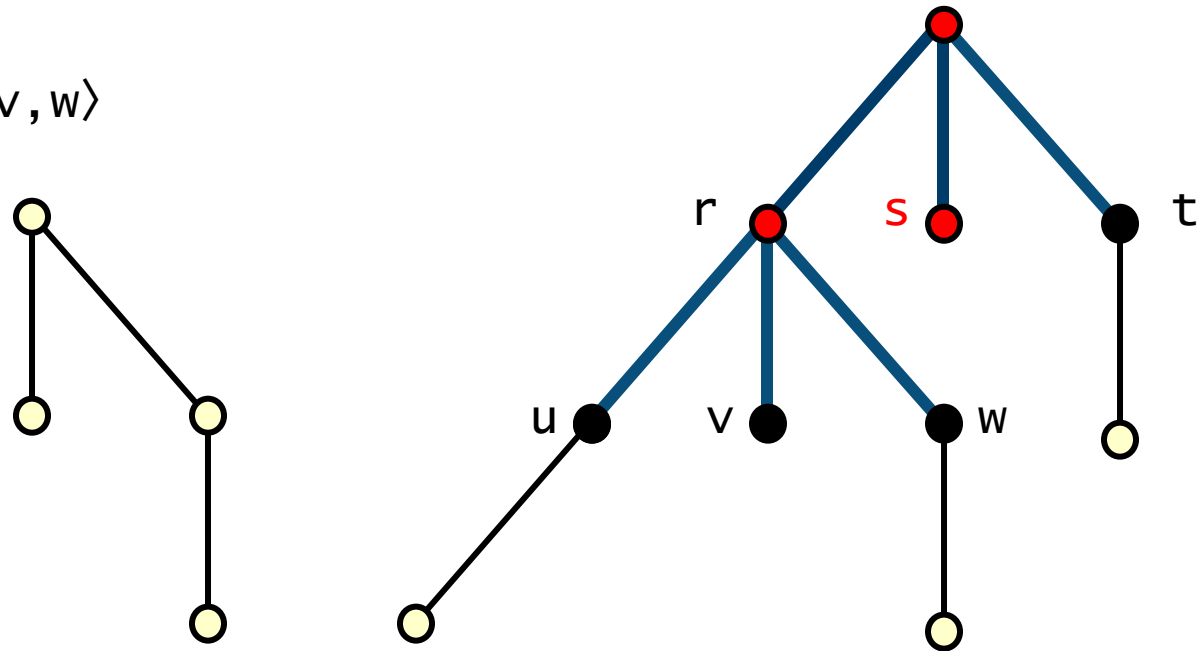


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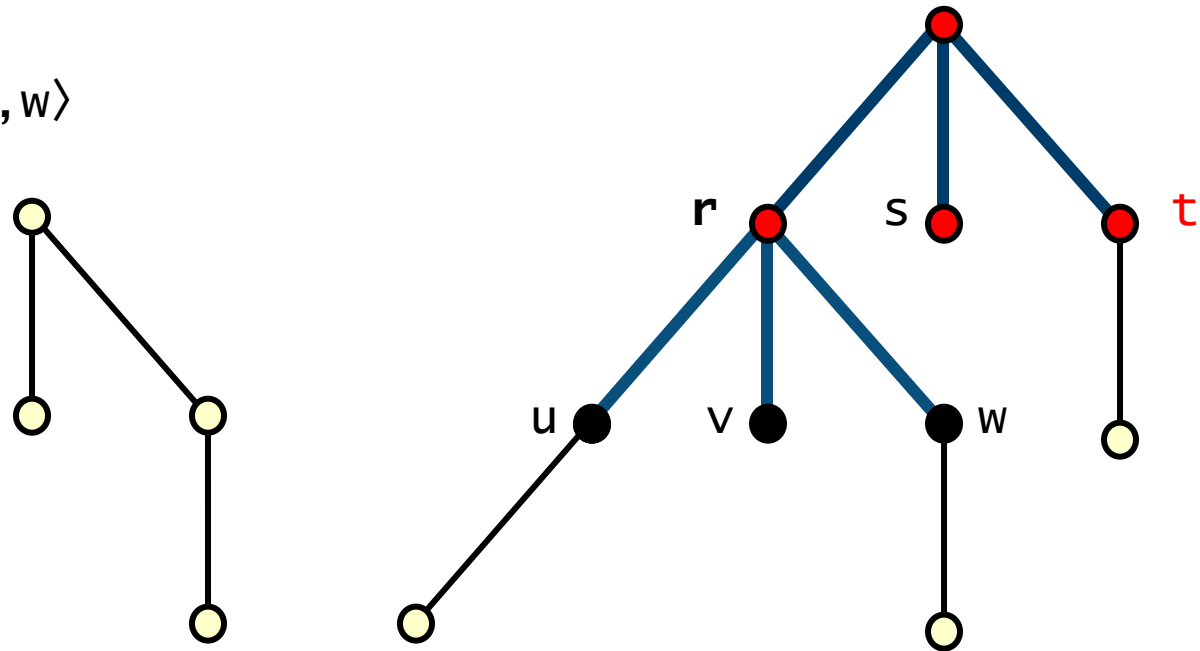


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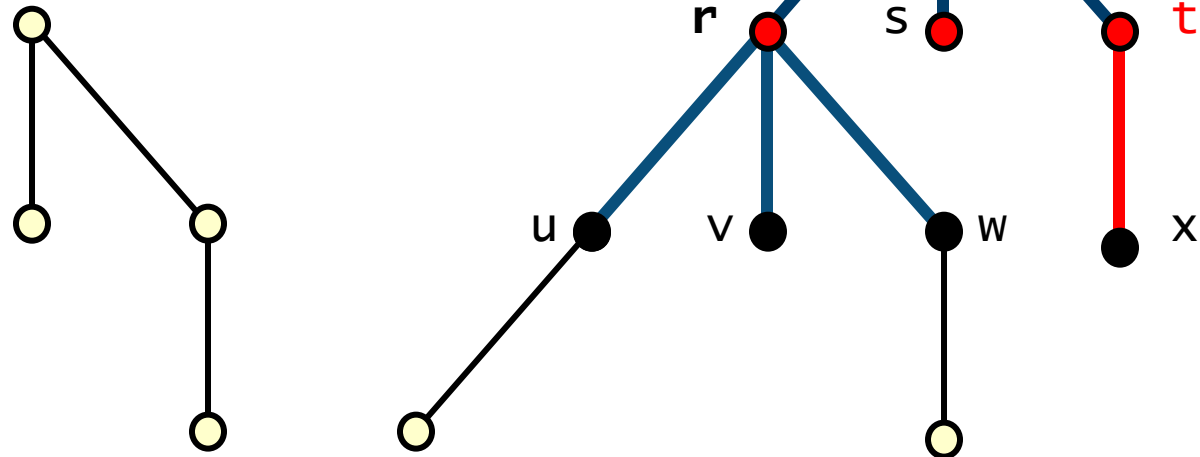


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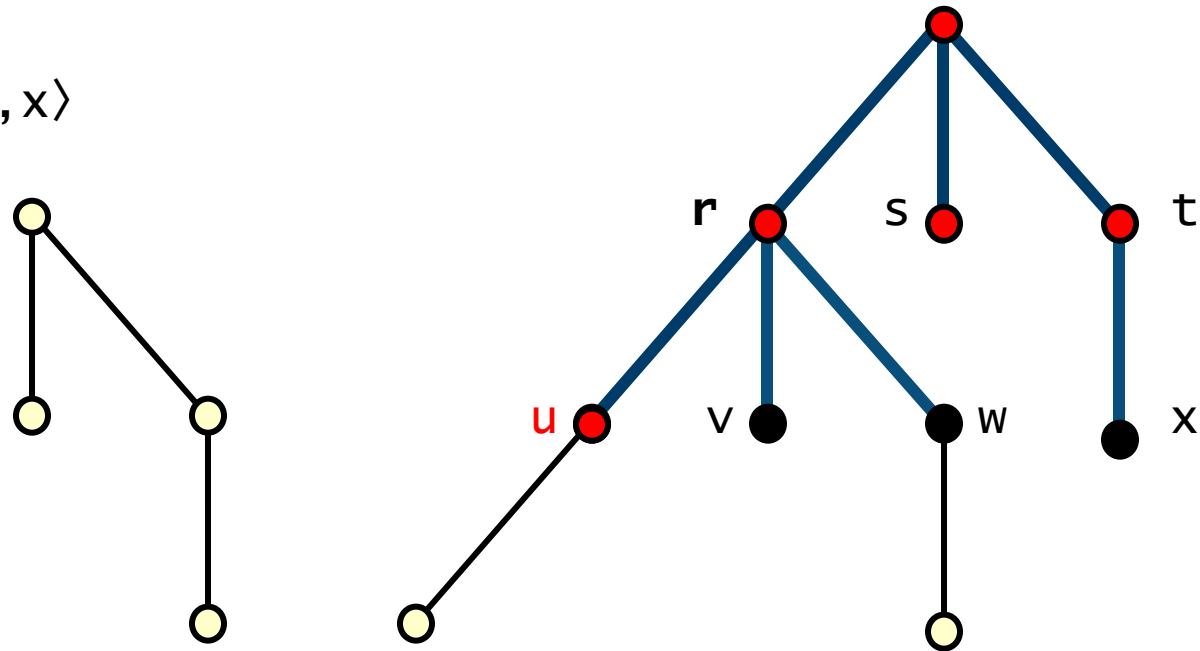


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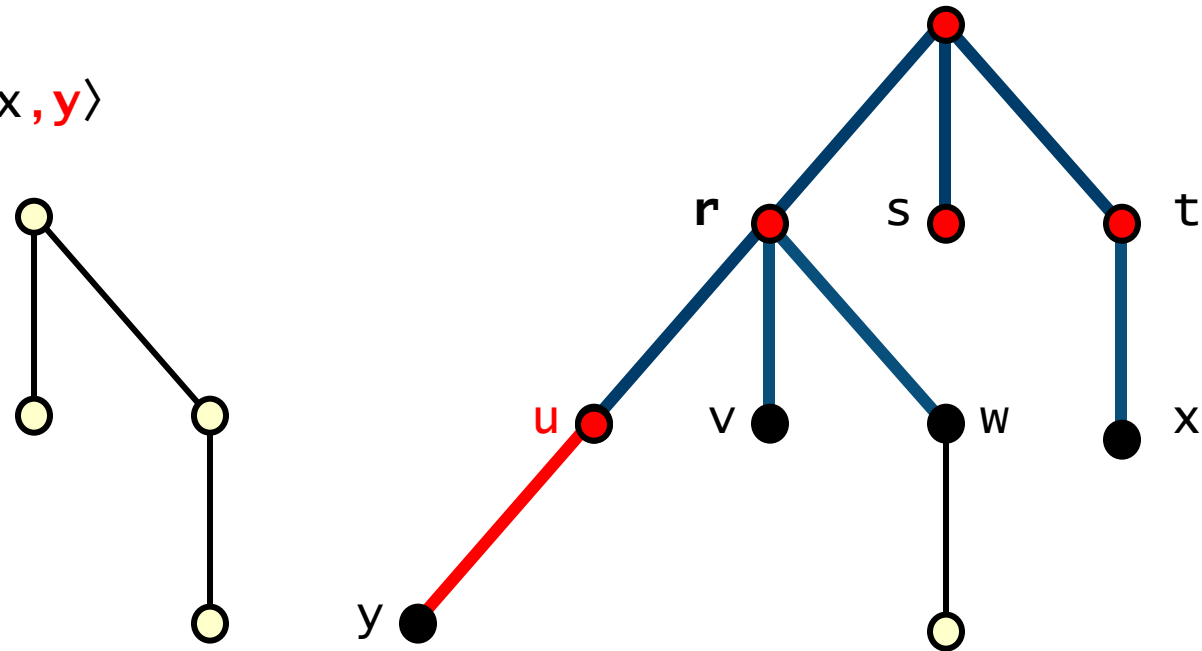


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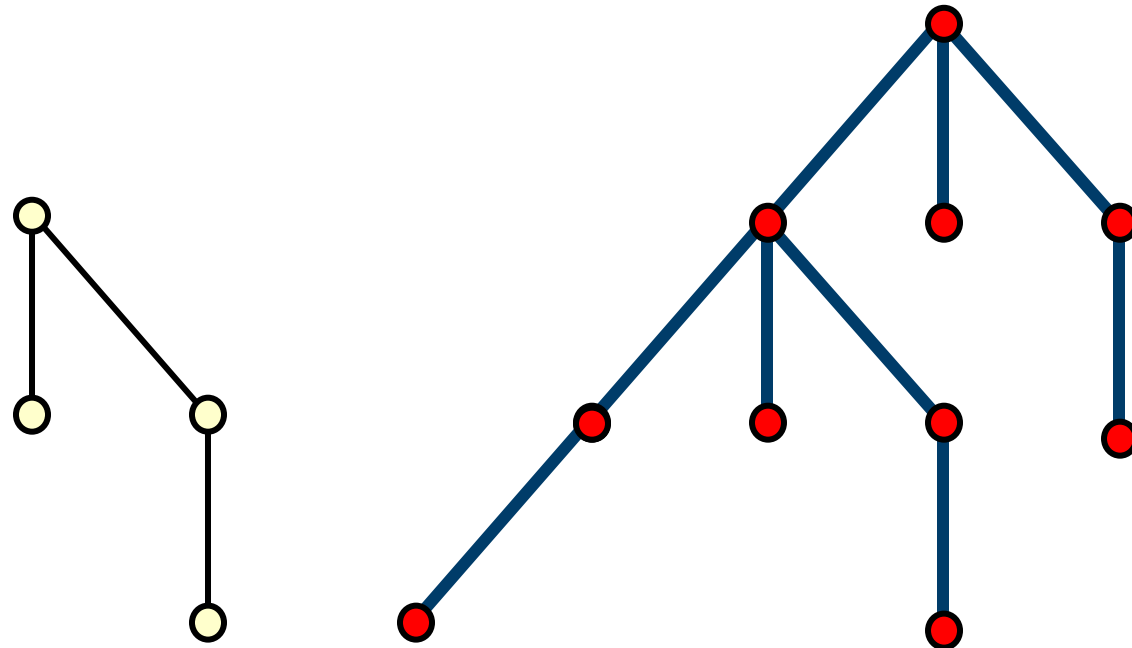
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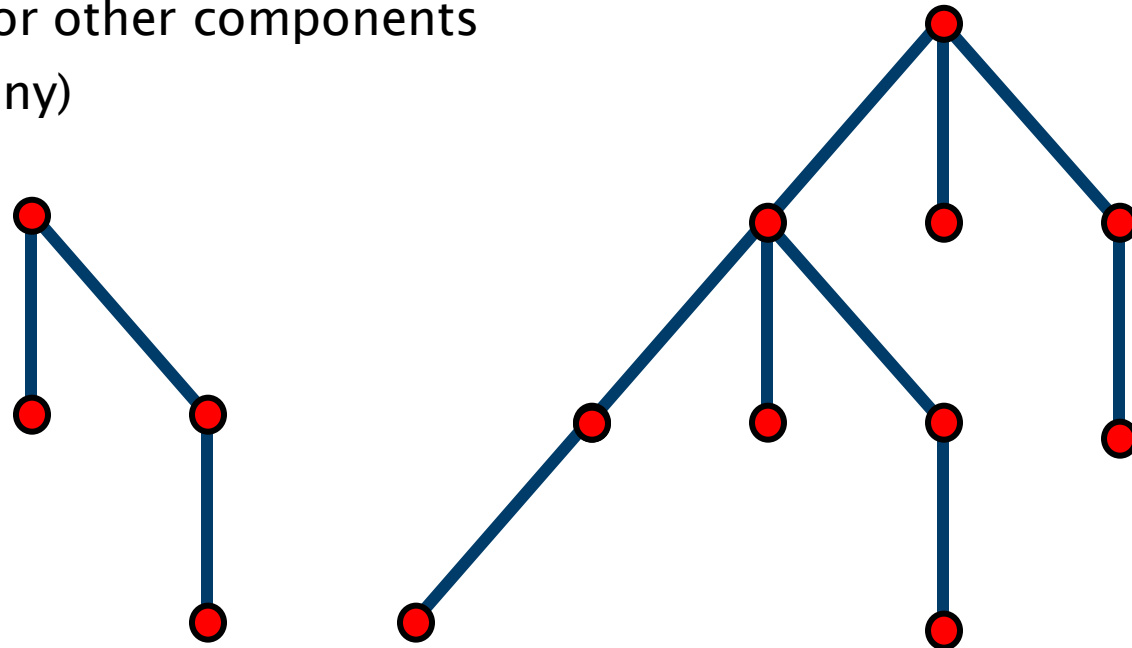




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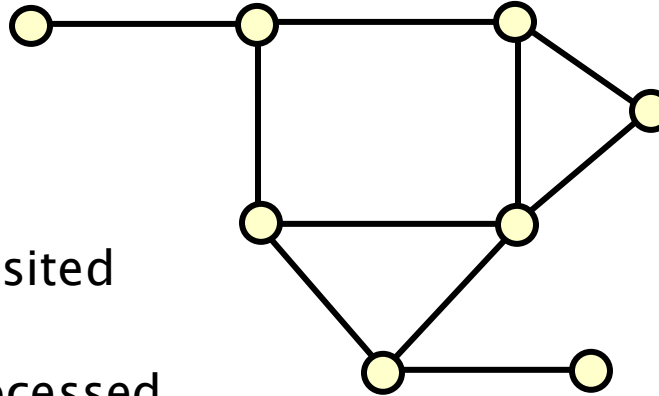
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Again the edges traversed form a spanning tree (or forest)

- a **breadth-first spanning tree (forest)**
- spanning tree of a graph is tree composed of all the vertices and some (or perhaps all) of the edges of the graph

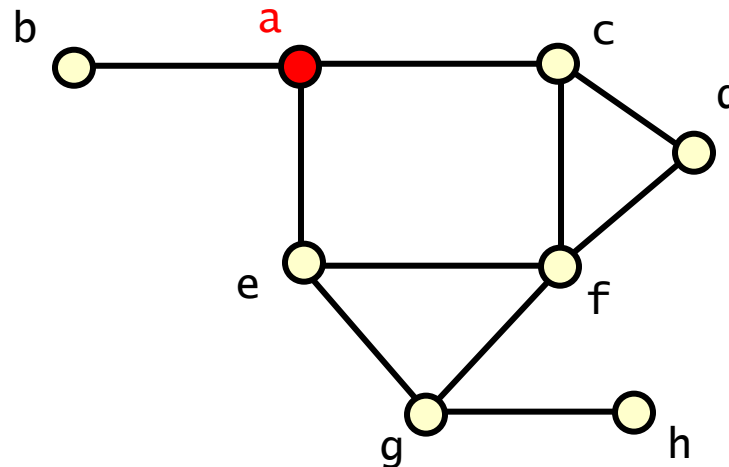
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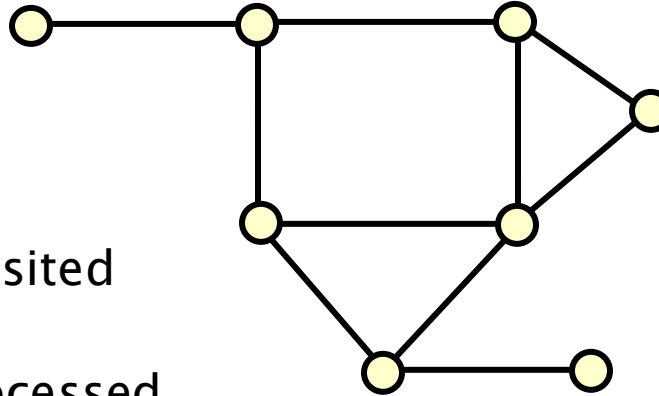
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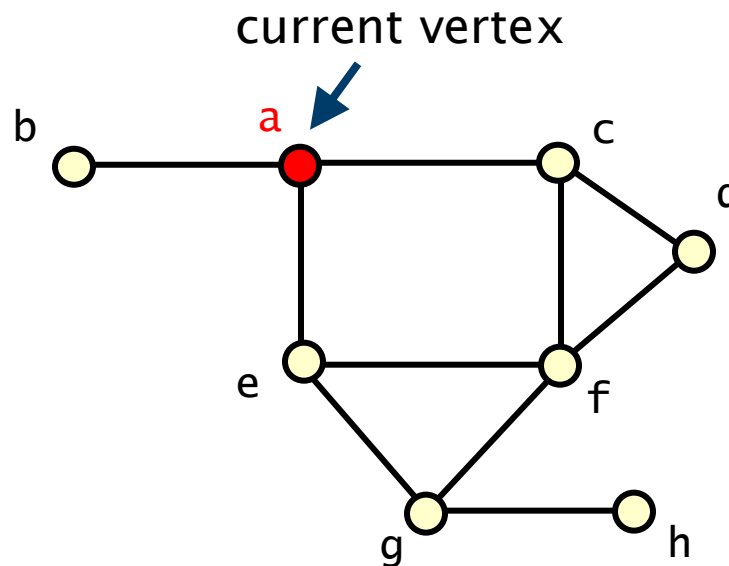
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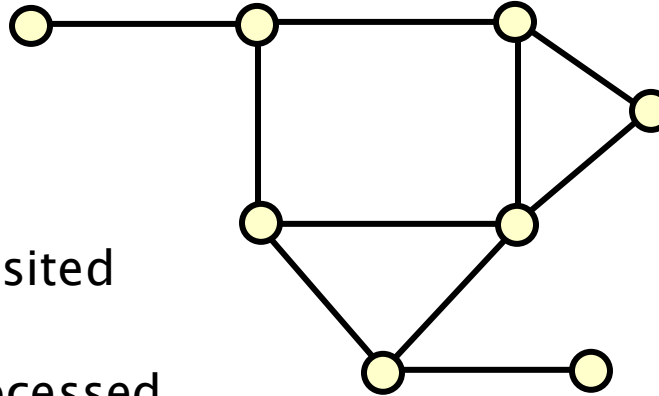
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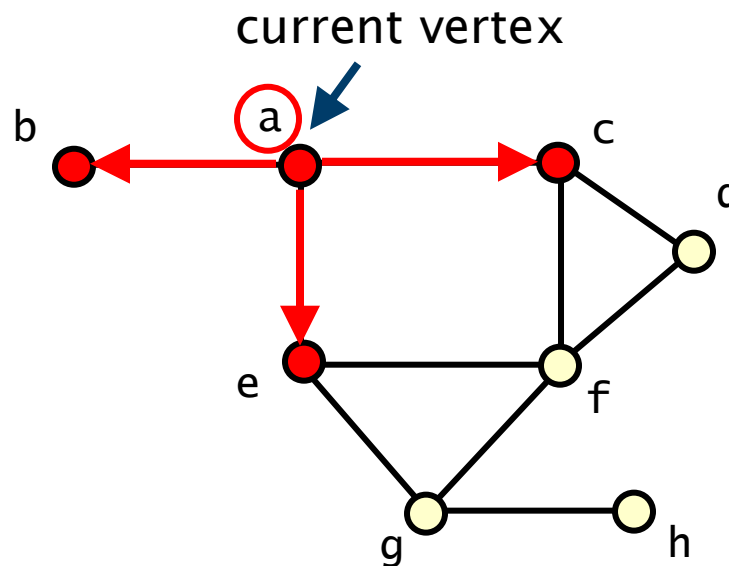
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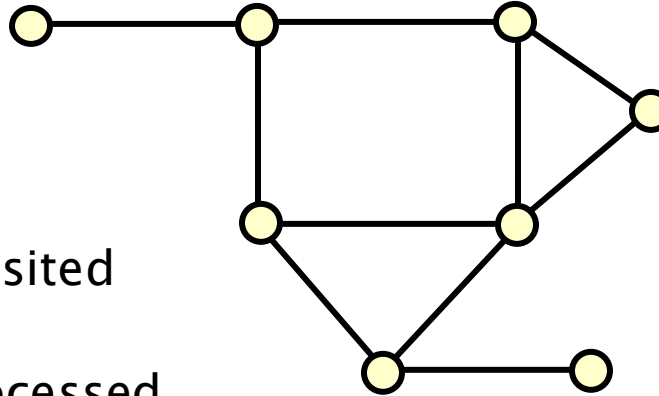
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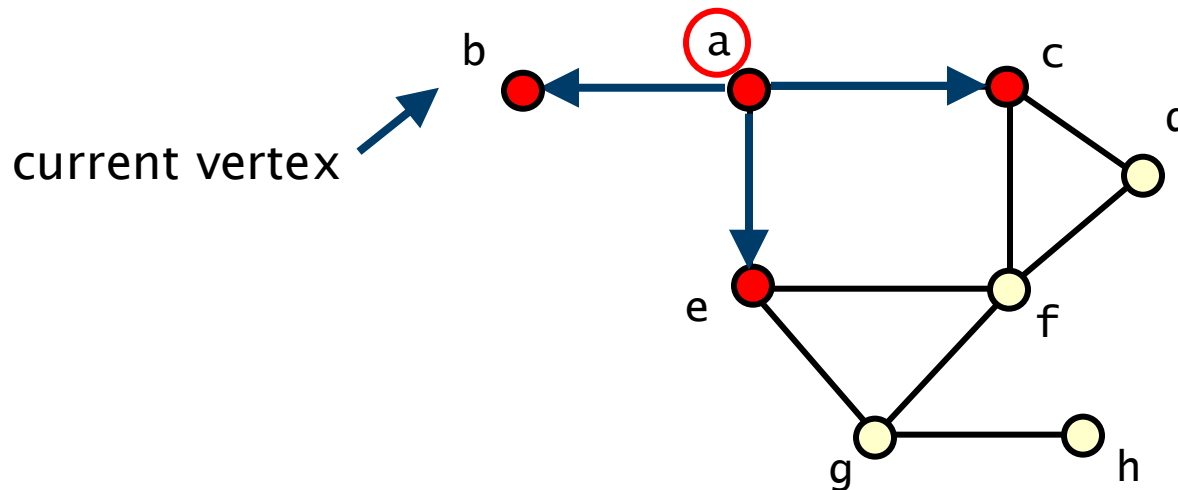
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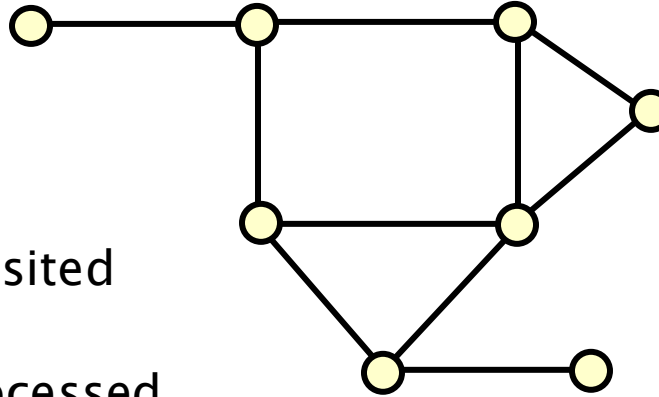


current vertex

queue =  $\langle c, e \rangle$

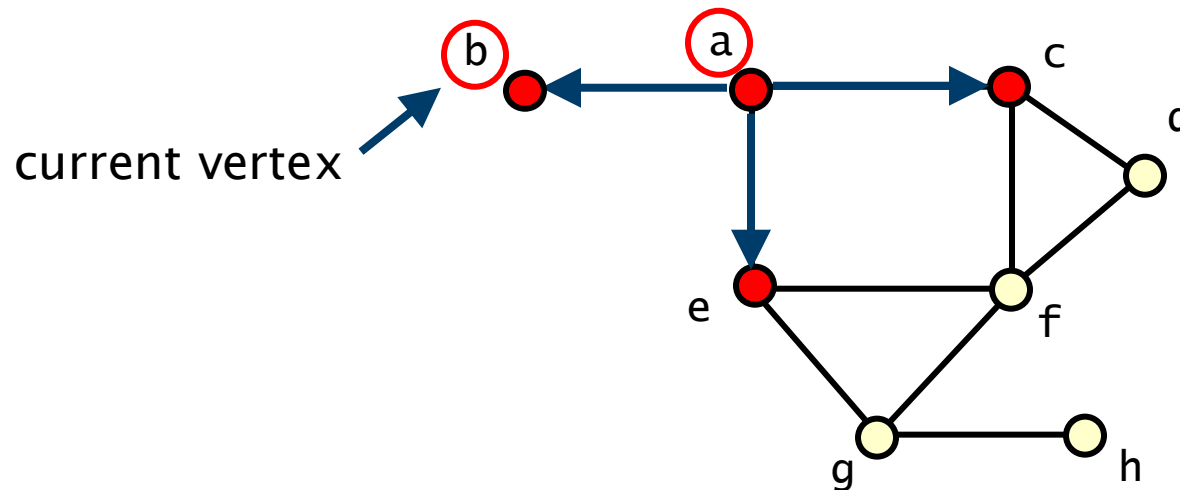
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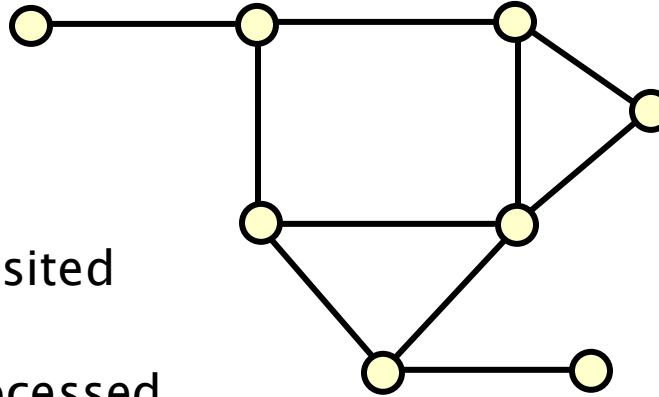
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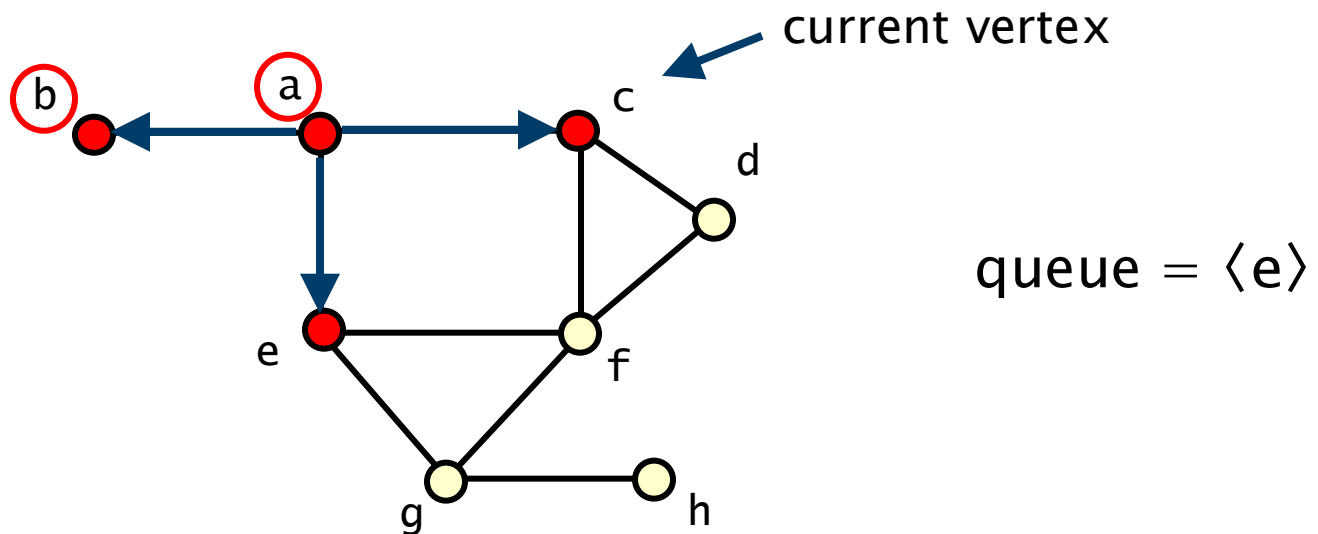
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Undirected graph **G**



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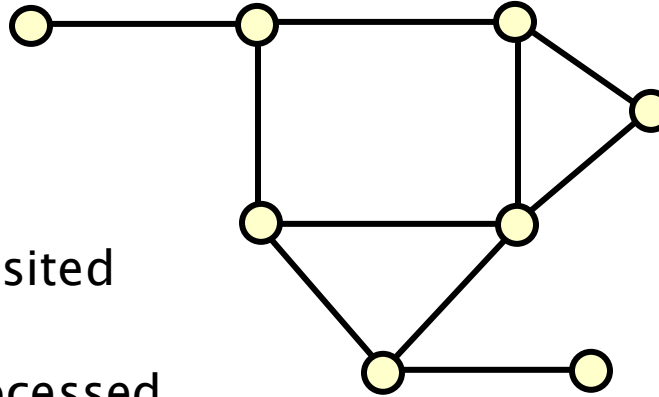
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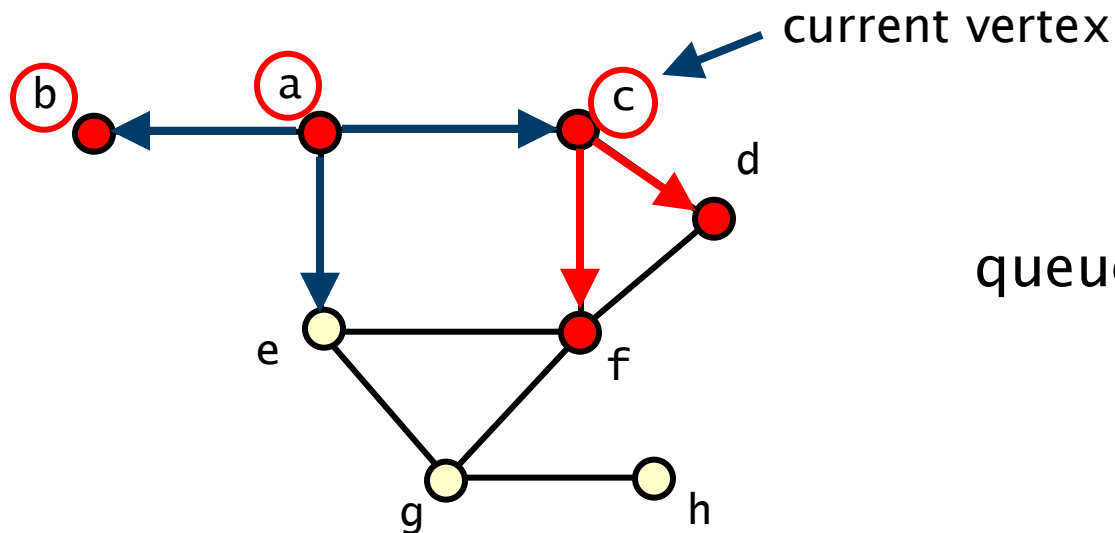
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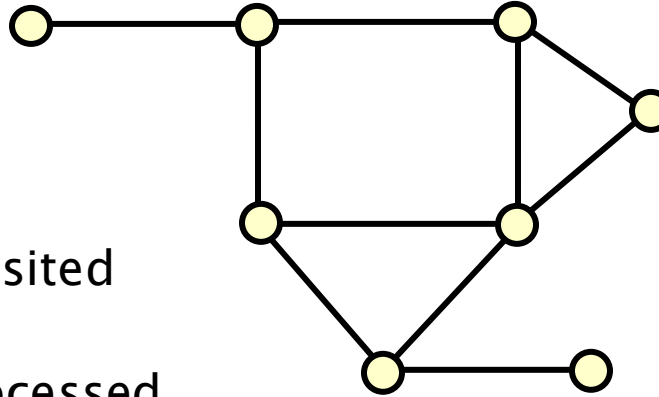
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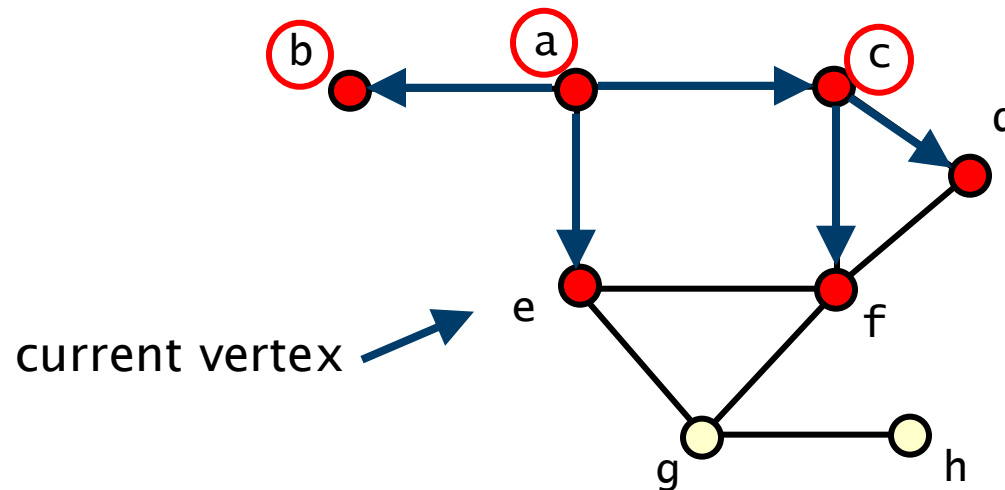
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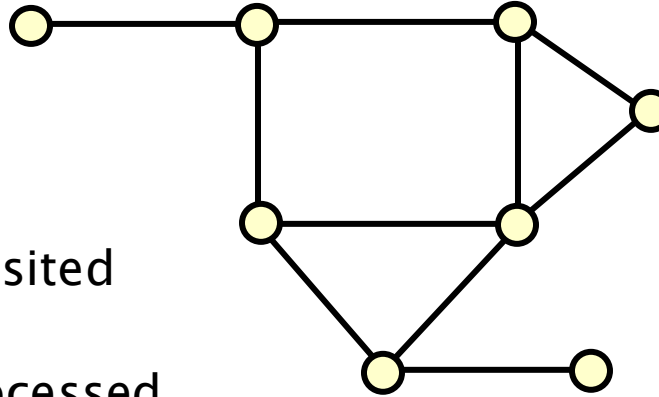
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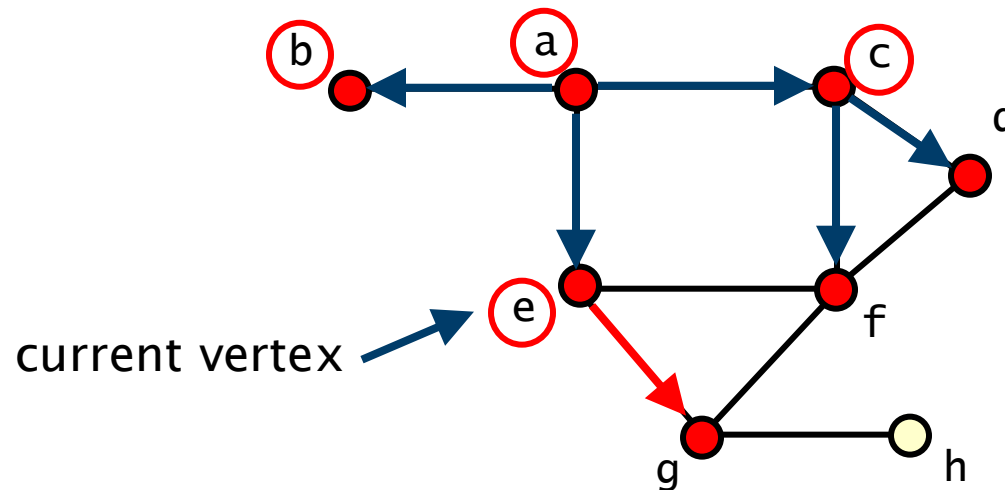
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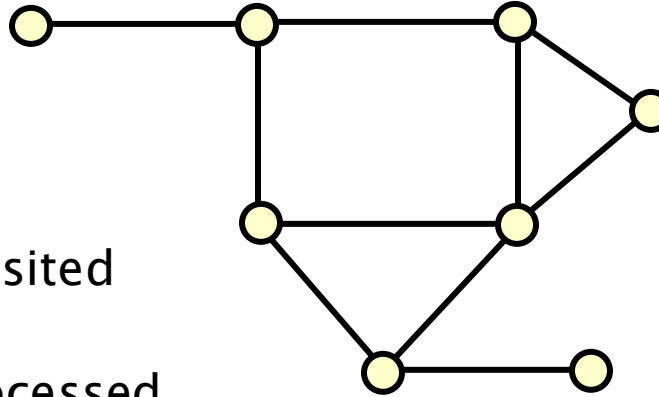
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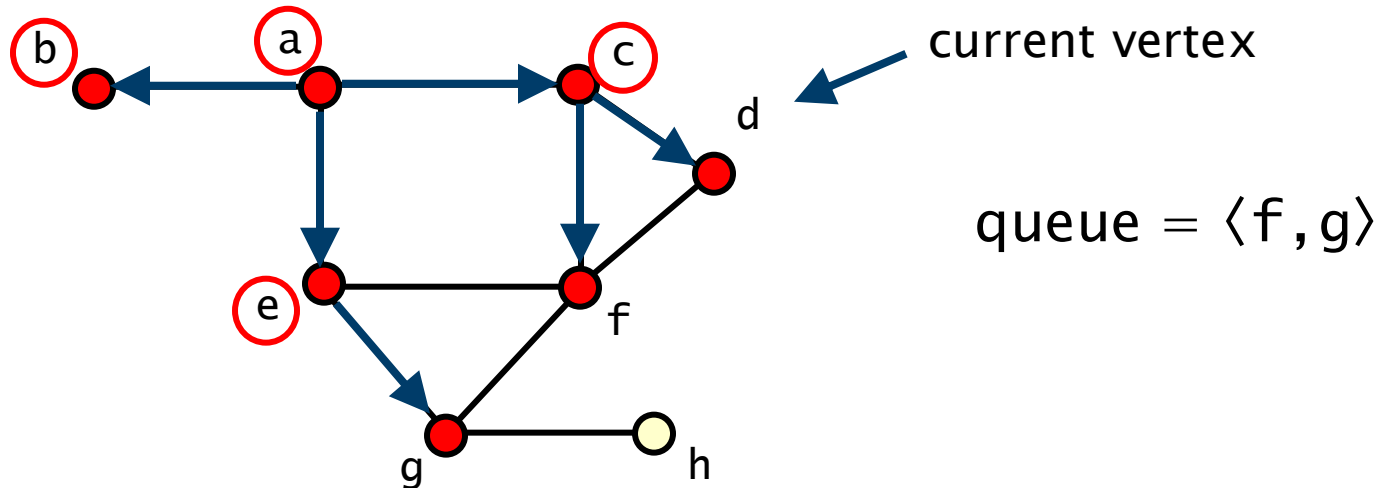
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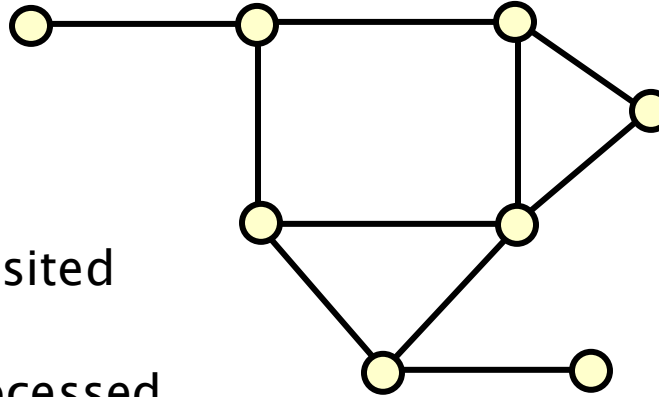
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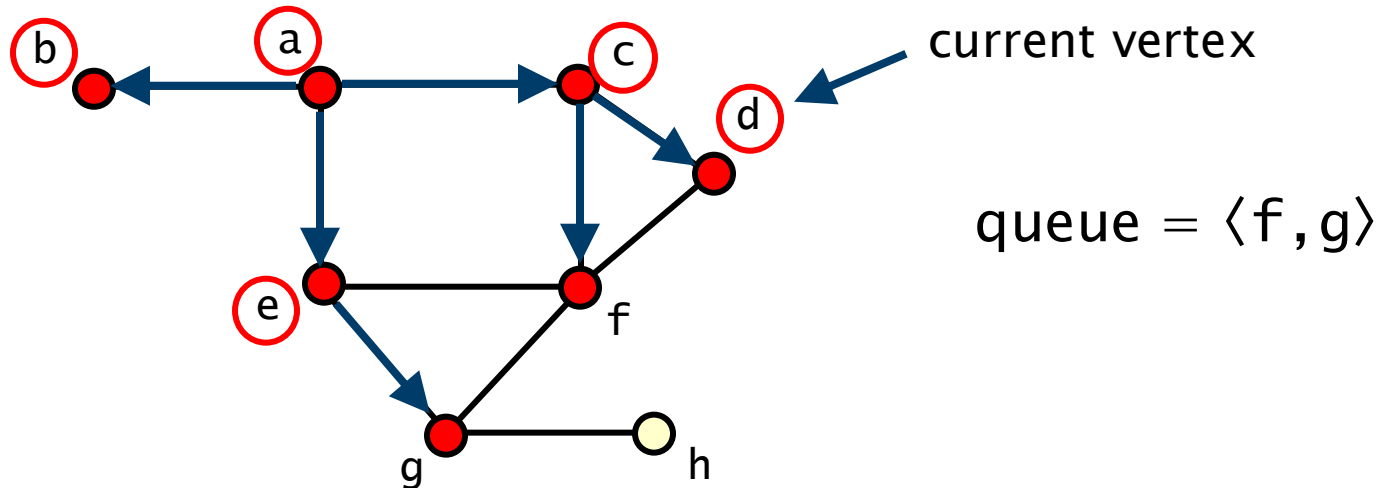
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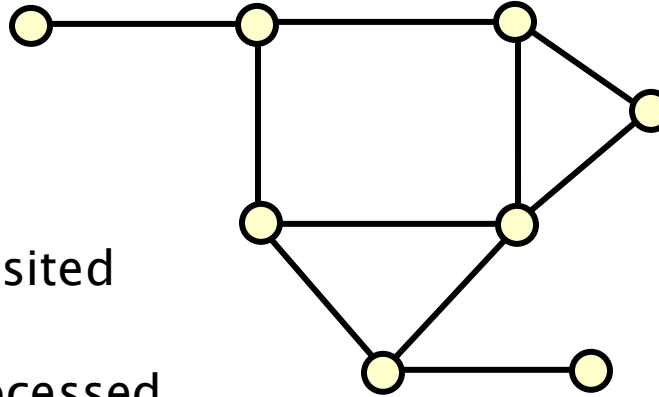
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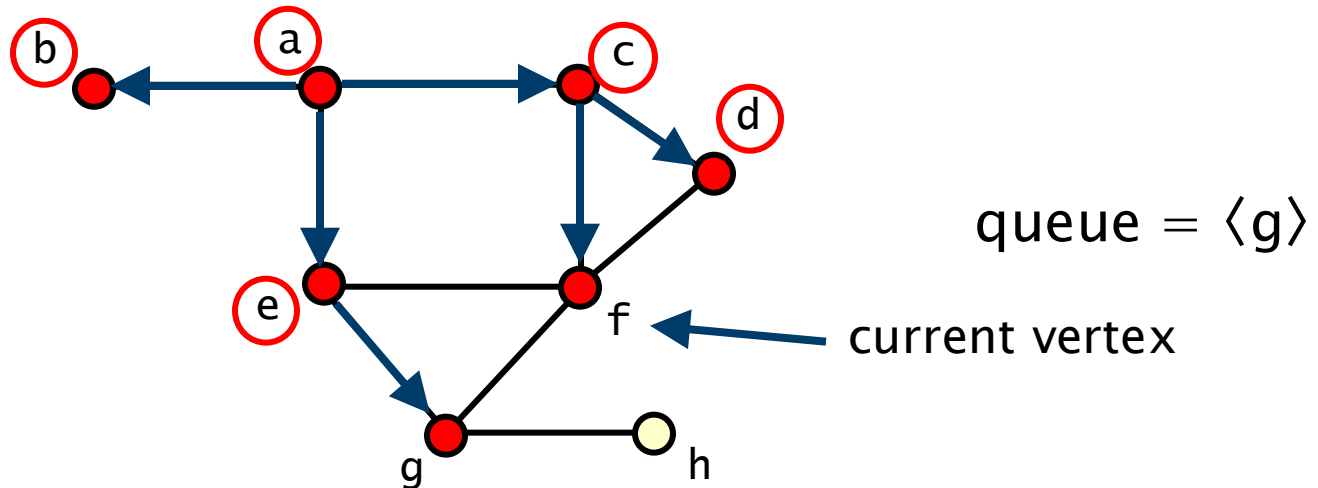
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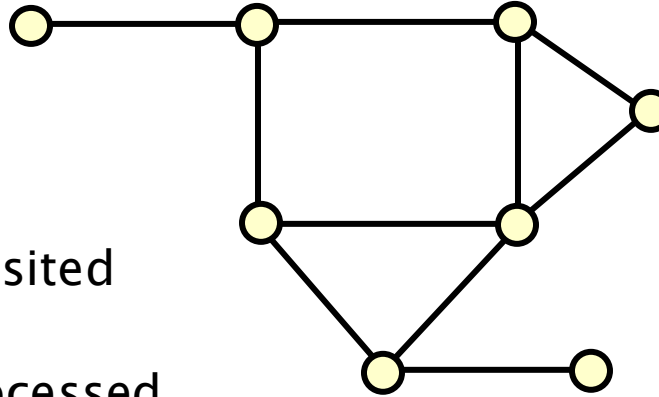
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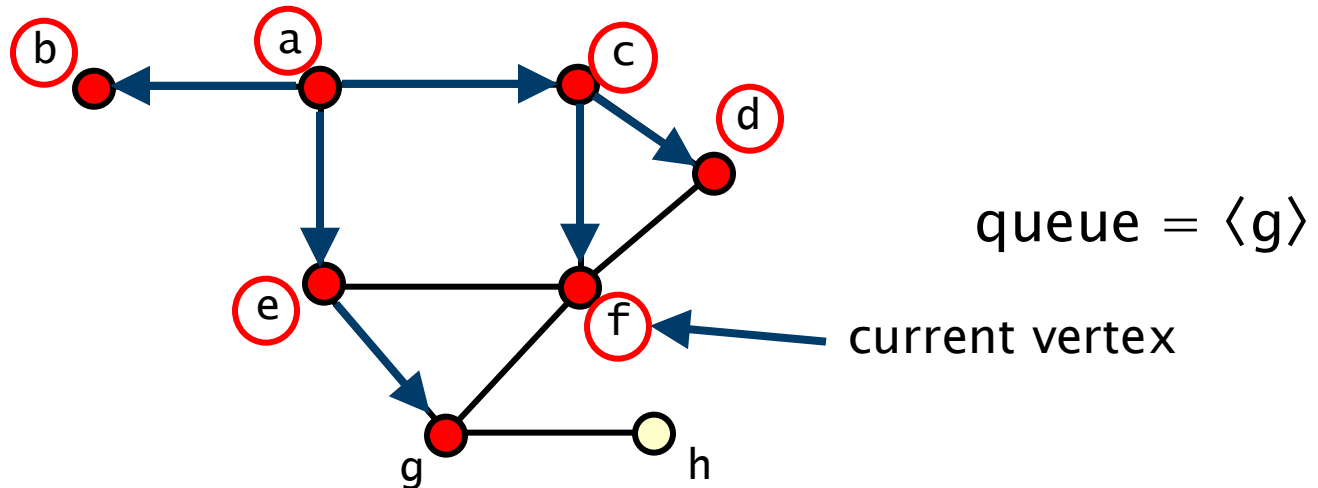
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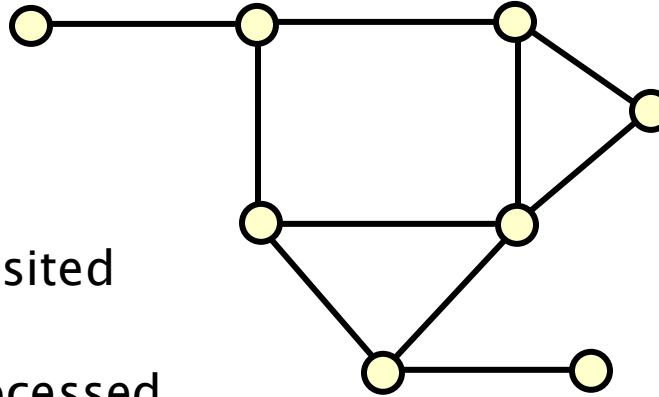
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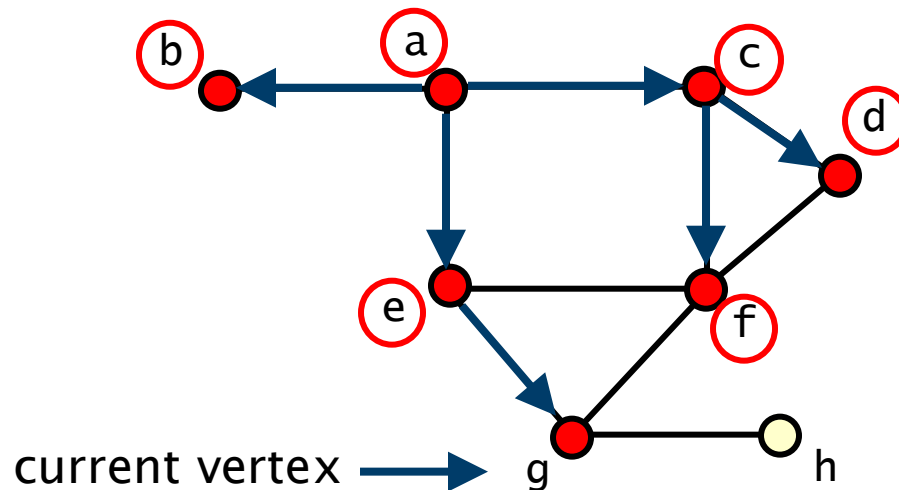
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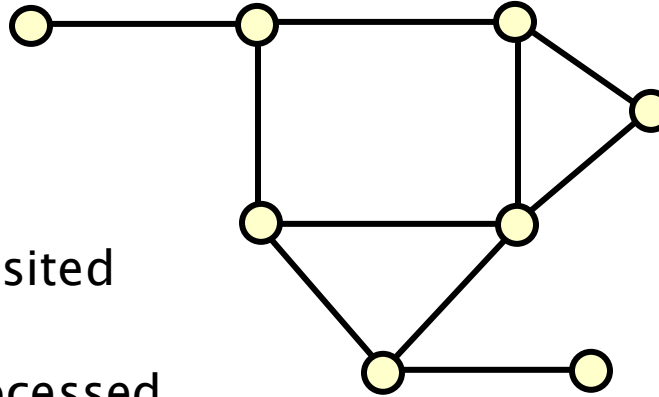


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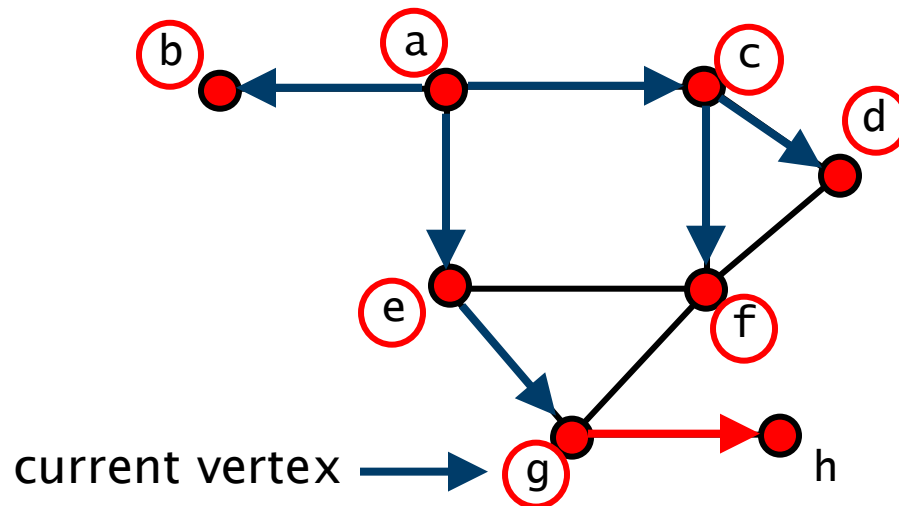
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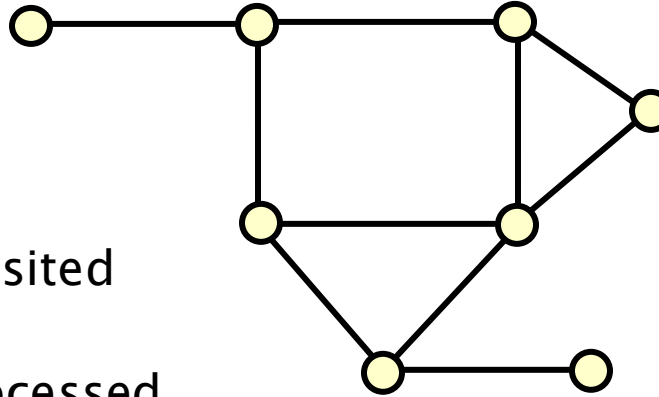
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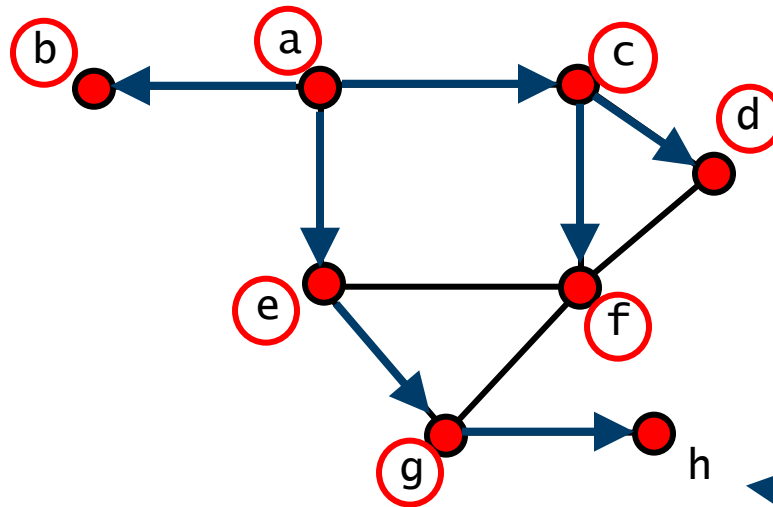
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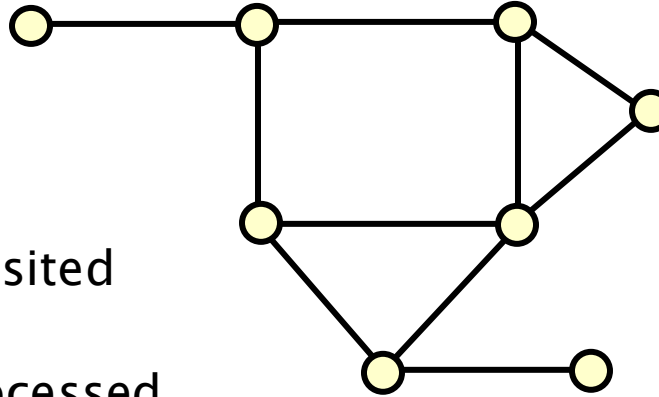


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current vertex

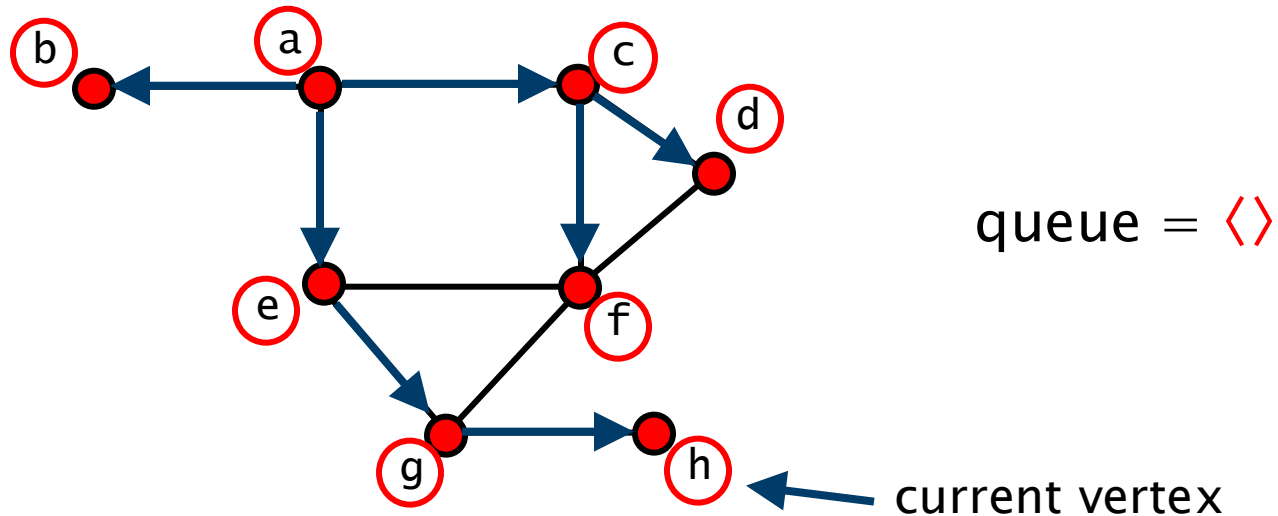
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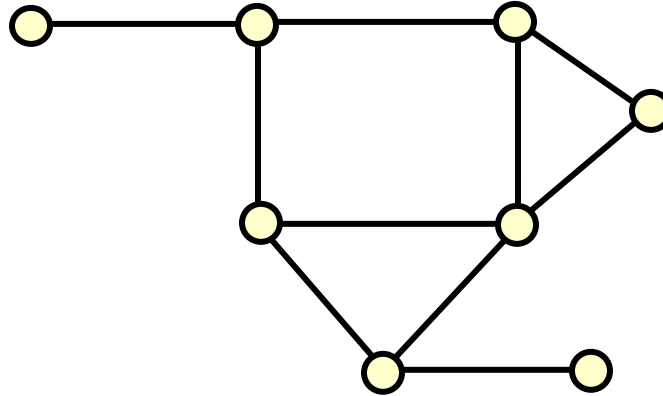
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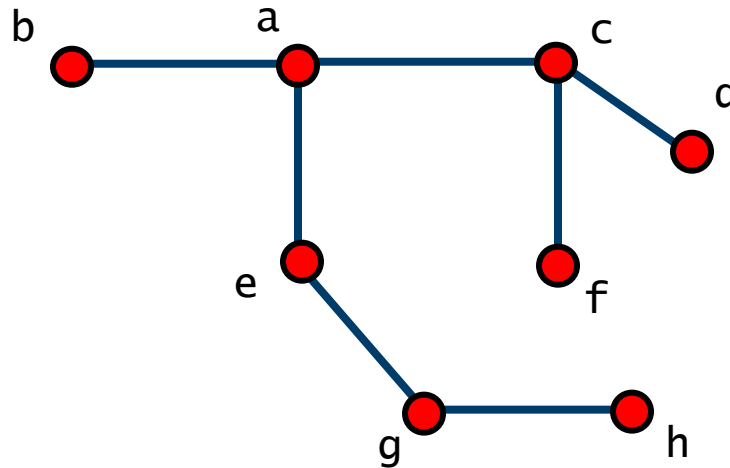


# Breadth first traversal – Example

Undirected graph **G**



A breadth first spanning tree of **G**



# Recall adjacency list implementation

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## Class: adjacency node

- represents an element of an adjacency list
- includes a vertex index (the vertex the element corresponds to)

## Class: vertex

- represents a single vertex of the graph
- includes linked list of adjacency nodes representing the adjacent vertices

## Class: graph

- an array of vertices

# Implementation – Breadth first search

```
for (Vertex v : vertices) v.setVisited(false); // initialise
LinkedList<Vertex> queue = new LinkedList<Vertex>(); // set up queue
for (Vertex v : vertices) { // go through vertices in the graph
    if (!v.getVisited()) { // vertex not visited (start search)
        v.setVisited(true); // now visited
        v.setPredecessor(-1); // v initial/starting vertex
        queue.add(v); // ready to be processed (add to queue)
        while (!queue.isEmpty()) { // something to process
            Vertex u = queue.remove(); // get next vertex from queue
            LinkedList<AdjListNode> list = u.getAdjList(); // get adj list for u
            for (AdjListNode node : list) { // go through adj list of u
                Vertex w = vertices[node.getVertexIndex()]; // next vertex in list
                if (!w.getVisited()) { // not previous found
                    w.setVisited(true); // now visited
                    w.setPredecessor(u.getIndex()); // set predecessor of w to be u
                    queue.add(w); // add to queue
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

# Breadth first search – complexity

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Each vertex is visited and queued exactly once

Each adjacency list is traversed once (when it's processed)

So overall  $O(n+m)$

- $n$  is the number of vertices and  $m$  number of edges

We can adapt to adjacency matrix representation

- complexity  $O(n^2)$  as for DFS
- have to access every element of the matrix

# Breadth first search – application

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## Computing the distance between two vertices in a graph

- let  $v$  and  $w$  be two vertices in the graph
- the distance is the number of edges in the shortest path from  $v$  to  $w$

## Algorithm

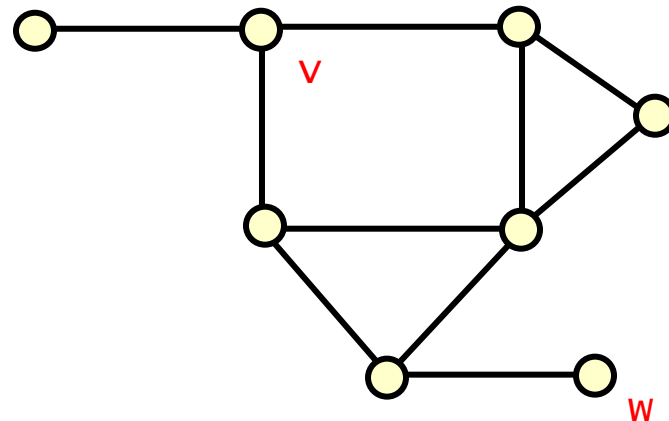
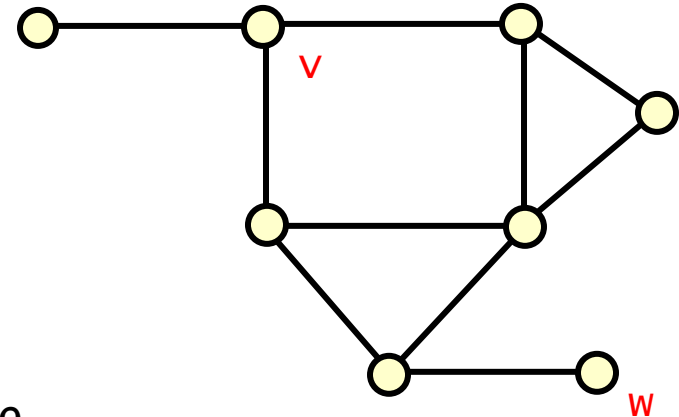
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- when visiting a new vertex for first time, assign its distance to be  $1 +$  the distance to its predecessor in the BF spanning tree
- stop when  $w$  is reached



# Distance between two vertices – Example

## Distance between **v** and **w**

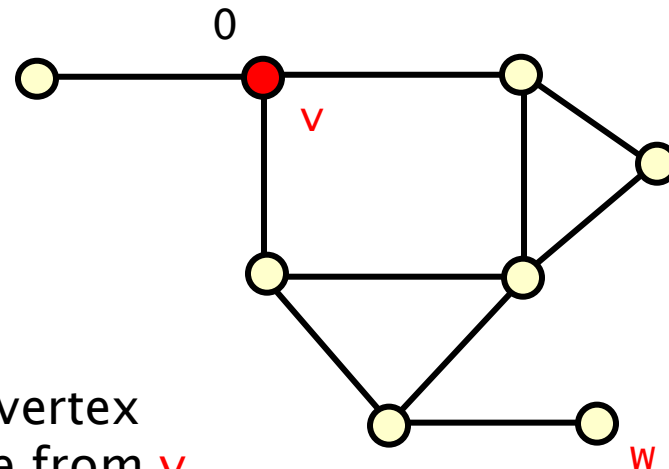
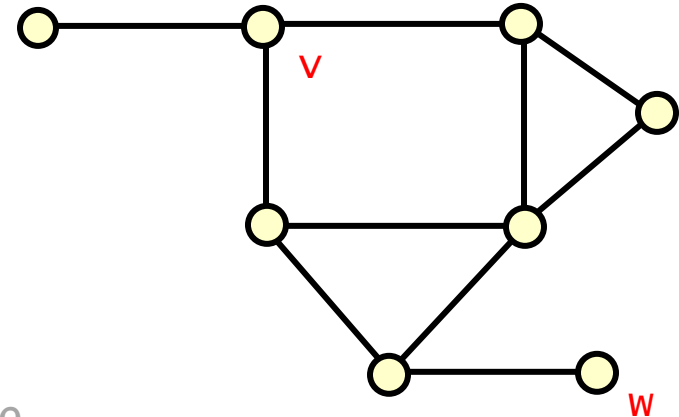
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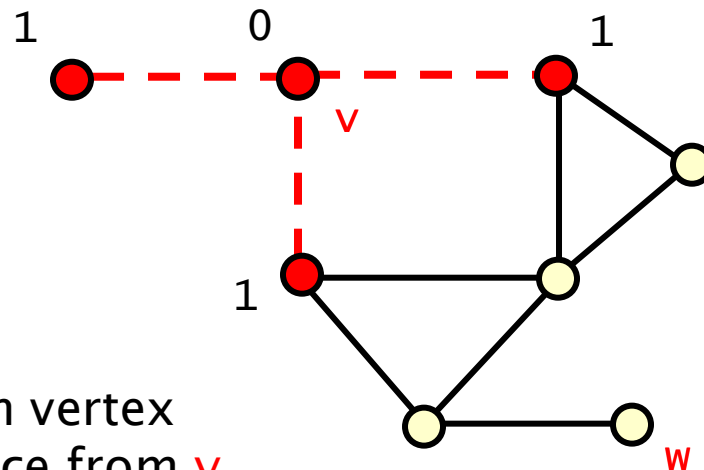
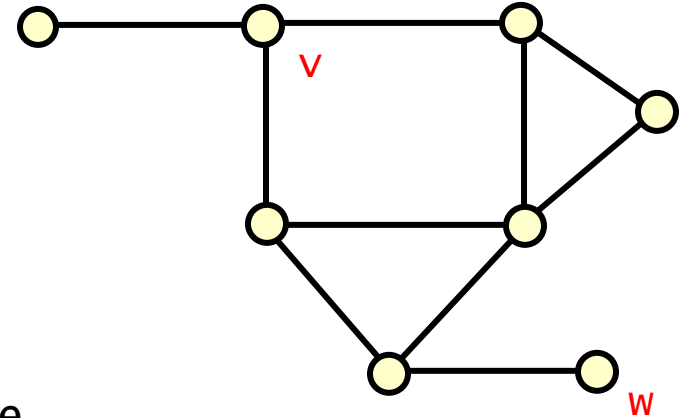


number beside each vertex  
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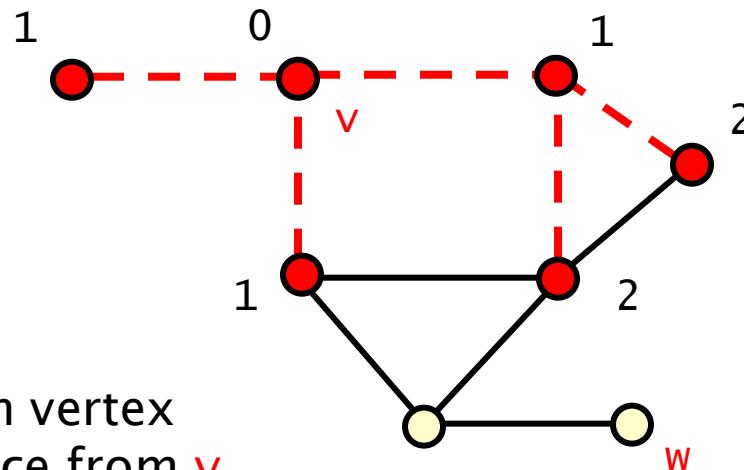
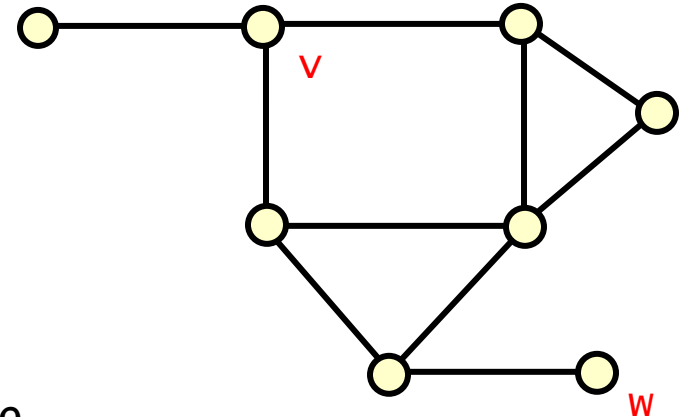


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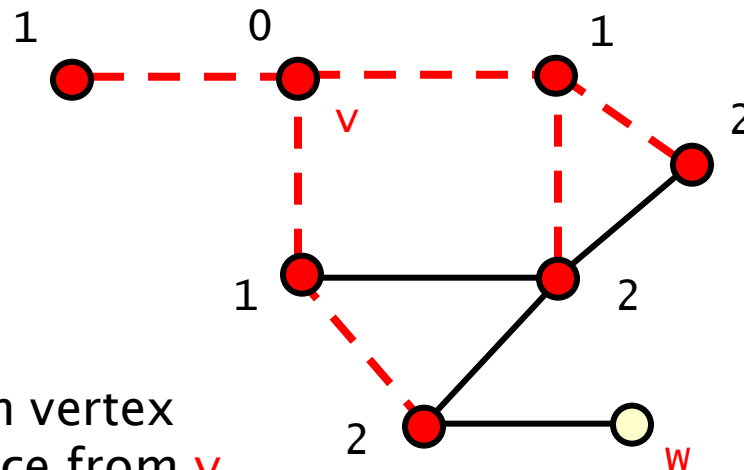
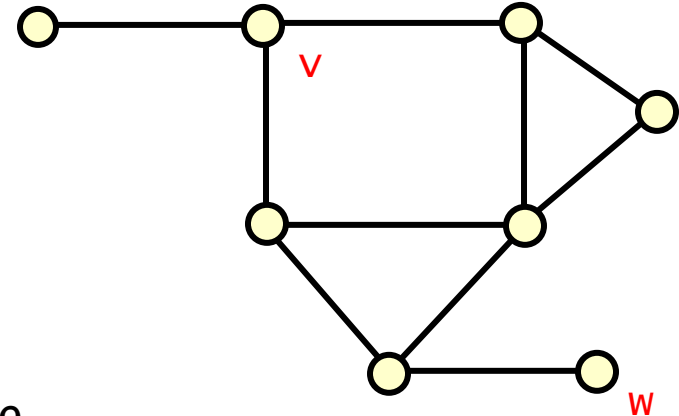


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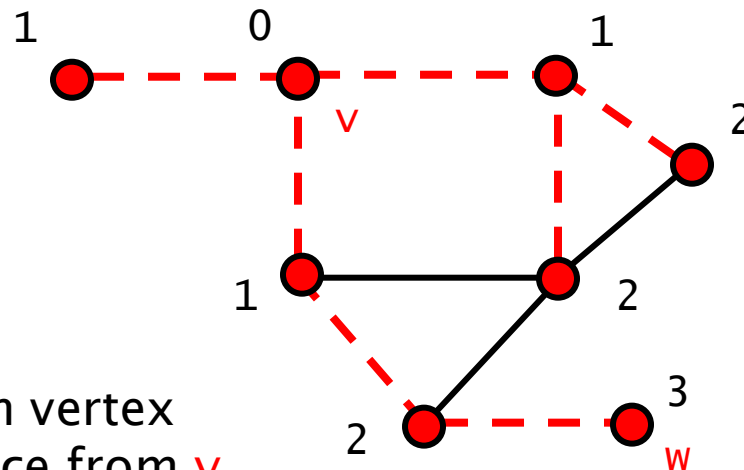
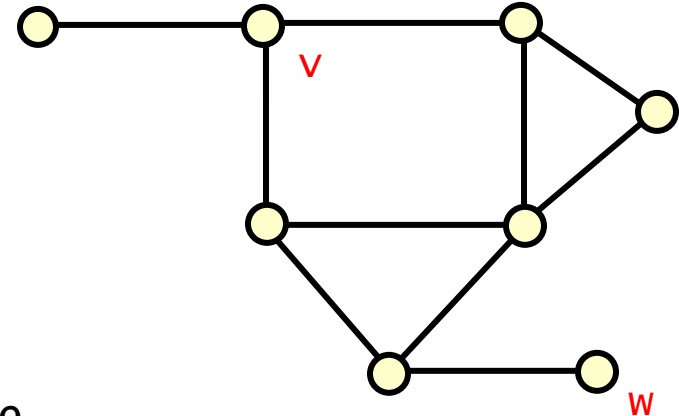


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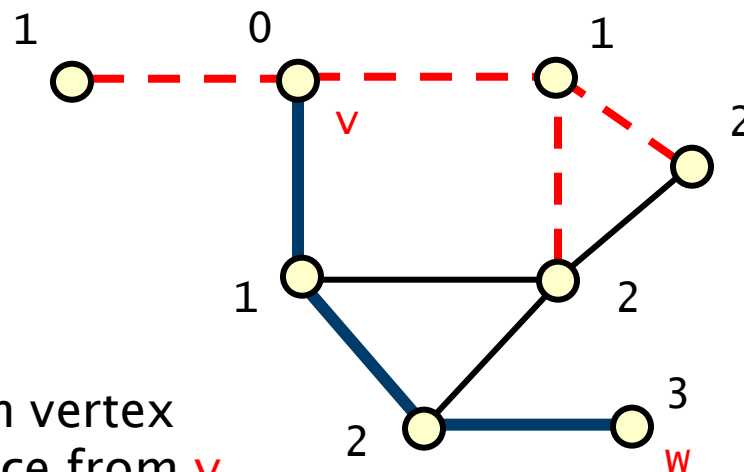
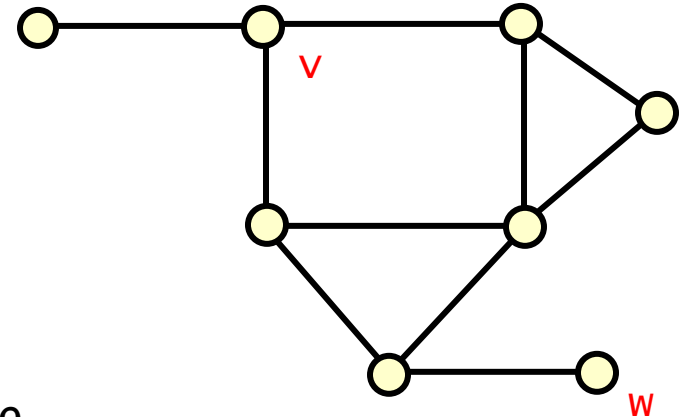


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 shortest path

# Next lecture

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## Graph representations

- adjacency matrix/lists and implementation

## Graph search and traversal algorithms

- depth/breadth first search

## Topological ordering

## Weighted graphs

- shortest path (Dijkstra's algorithm)
- minimum spanning tree (Prim–Jarnik and Dijkstra's refinement)