

# *Elementary Graph Algorithms*

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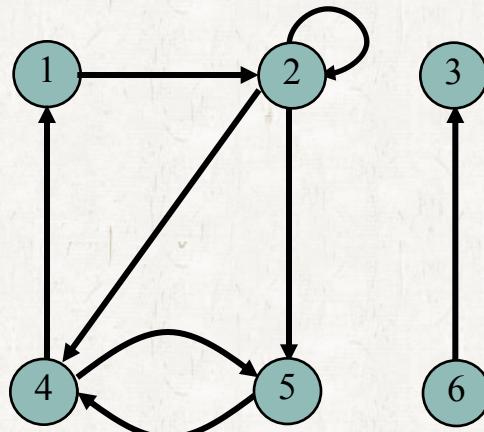
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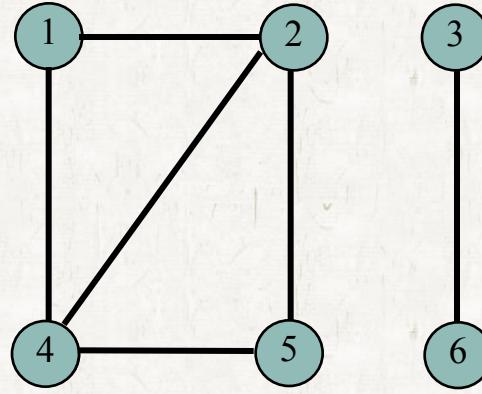
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# Graph basics

- A **graph**  $G$  is a pair  $(V, E)$  where  $V$  is a **vertex** set and  $E$  is an **edge** set.
- A **vertex** (**node**) is a stand-alone object.
  - Represented by a circle.
- An **edge** (**link**) is an object connecting two vertices.
  - Represented by either an arrow or a line.



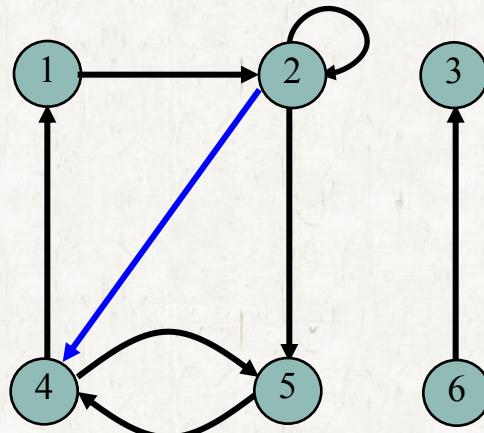
A directed graph



An undirected graph

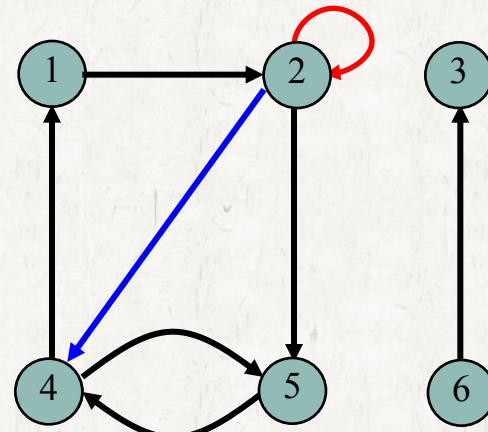
# Graph basics

- A *directed graph* (or *digraph*) is a graph with *directed edges*.
  - Edges have directions so they are represented by **arrows**.
  - Each edge *leaves* a vertex and *enters* a vertex.
    - The blue edge leaves vertex 2 and enters vertex 4.



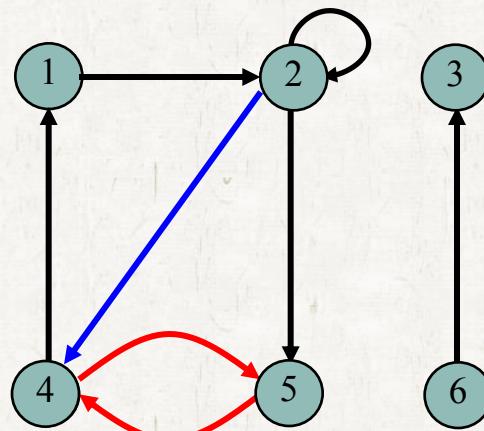
# Graph basics

- An edge leaving a vertex  $u$  and entering a vertex  $v$  is said it is *incident from*  $u$  and *incident to*  $v$ .
  - The blue edge is incident from vertex 2 and to vertex 4.
- In a digraph, *self-loops* (edges from a vertex to itself) are possible.
  - The red edge is a self-loop.



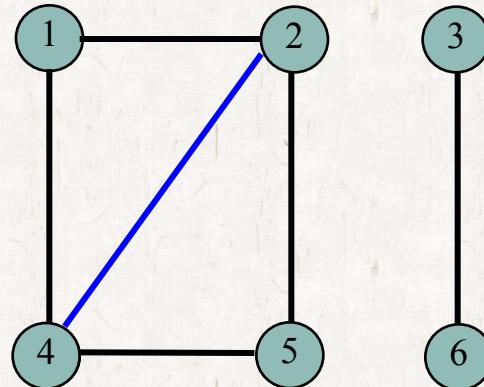
# Graph basics

- Normally, each vertex is identified by a number or a name.
  - $V = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$
- Each edge is identified by the *ordered pair of vertices* it leaves and enters.
  - $E = \{(1,2), (2,2), (2,4), (2,5), (4,1), (4,5), (5,4), (6,3)\}$
- In a digraph, there are at most 2 edges between two vertices.



# Graph basics

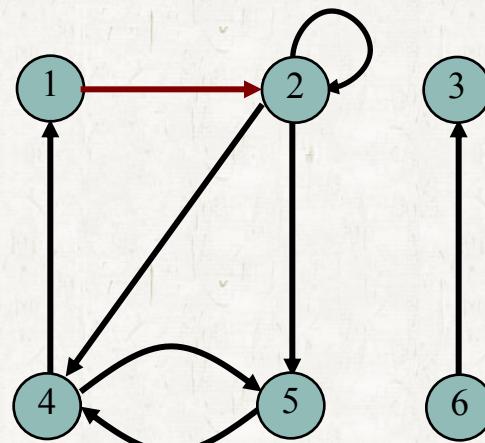
- An *undirected graph* is a graph with *undirected edges*.
  - Edges have no directions so they are represented by **lines**.
  - Self-loops are forbidden.
  - Edge  $(u,v)$  is the same as edge  $(v,u)$ .
    - $(2,4) = (4,2)$
    - The blue edge is *incident on* vertices 2 and 4.



# Graph basics

## Adjacency

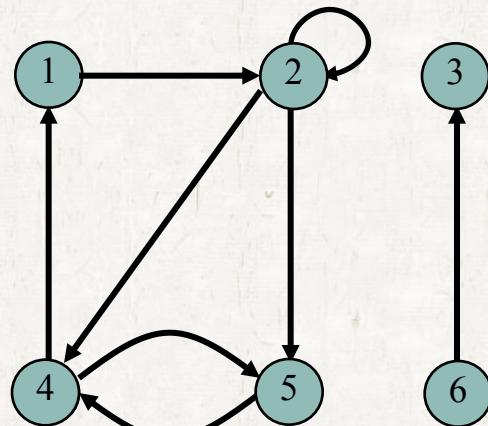
- If  $(u,v)$  is an edge, vertex  $v$  is *adjacent* to vertex  $u$ .
- In an undirected graph, adjacency relation is symmetric.
  - If  $u$  is adjacent to  $v$ ,  $v$  is adjacent to  $u$ .
- In a directed graph, it is not symmetric.
  - Vertex 2 is adjacent to 1.
  - But vertex 1 is not adjacent to 2.



# Graph basics

## • *Degree*

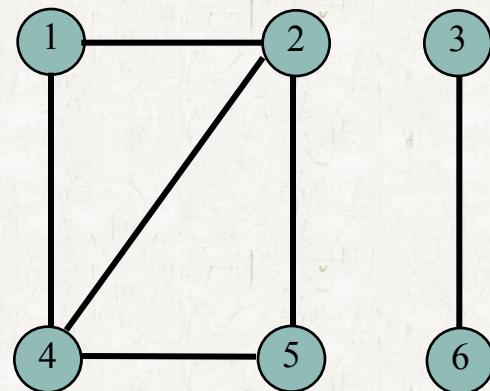
- The *out-degree* of a vertex is the number of edges leaving it.
  - The out-degree of vertex 2 is 3.
- The *in-degree* of a vertex is the number of edges entering it.
  - The in-degree of vertex 2 is 2.
- $\text{degree} = \text{out-degree} + \text{in-degree}$ .



# Graph basics

## • *Degree*

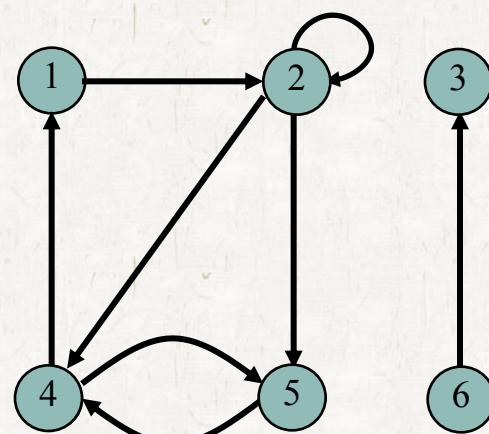
- In an undirected graph,
  - The out-degree and the in-degree are not defined.
  - Only the degree of a vertex is defined.
- The degree of vertex 2 is 3.



# Graph basics

## Path

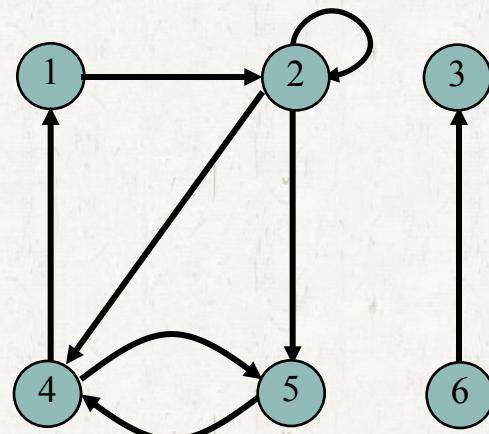
- A path from vertex  $u$  to vertex  $v$  is a sequence of vertices  $\langle v_0, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k \rangle$  where
  - $v_0 = u, v_k = v$ , and
  - every vertex  $v_{i+1}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq k-1$ ) is adjacent to  $v_i$ .
    - There is an edge  $(v_i, v_{i+1})$  for all  $i$ .
  - $\langle 1, 2, 4, 5 \rangle$  is a path.
  - $\langle 1, 2, 4, 1, 2 \rangle$  is a path.
  - $\langle 1, 2, 4, 2 \rangle$  is not a path.



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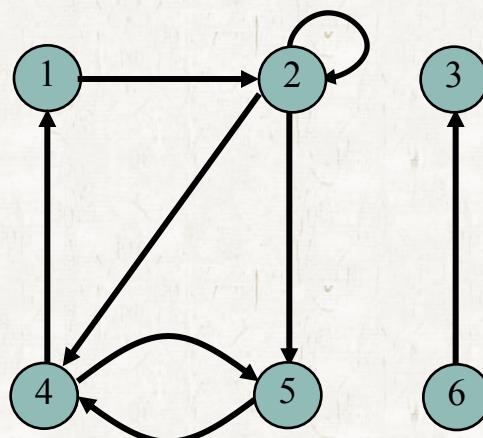
- The *length* of a path is the number of edges in the path.
  - The length of a path  $<1, 2, 4, 5>$  is 3.
  - If there is a path from vertex  $u$  to vertex  $v$ ,  
 $v$  is called *reachable* from  $u$ .
    - Vertex 5 is reachable from vertex 1.
    - Vertex 3 is not reachable from vertex 1.



# Graph basics

## • *Simple path*

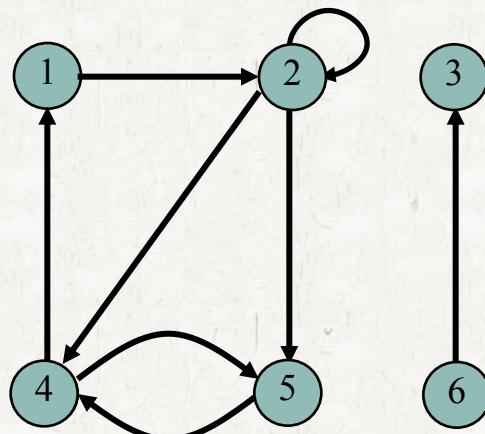
- A path is simple if all vertices in the path are **distinct**.
- A path  $<1, 2, 4, 5>$  is a simple path.
- A path  $<1, 2, 4, 1, 2>$  is not a simple path.



# Graph basics

## • *Cycle and simple cycle*

- A path  $\langle v_0, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k \rangle$  is a cycle if  $v_0 = v_k$
- A cycle  $\langle v_0, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k \rangle$  is simple if  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  are **distinct**.
- A path  $\langle 1, 2, 4, 5, 4, 1 \rangle$  is a cycle but it is not a simple cycle.
- A path  $\langle 1, 2, 4, 1 \rangle$  is a simple cycle.



# Graph basics

- *An acyclic graph*

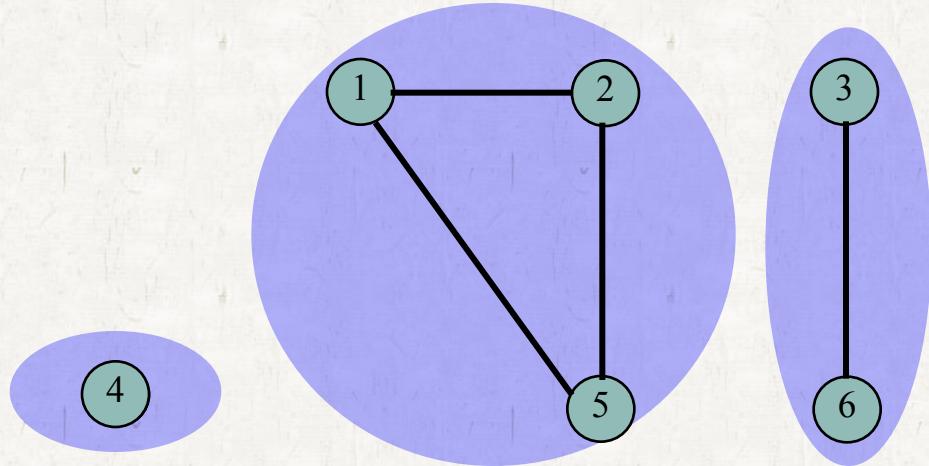
- A graph without cycles

- *A connected graph*

- An *undirected graph* is *connected* if every pair of vertices is connected by a path.

- *Connected components*

- Maximally connected subsets of vertices of an *undirected graph*.



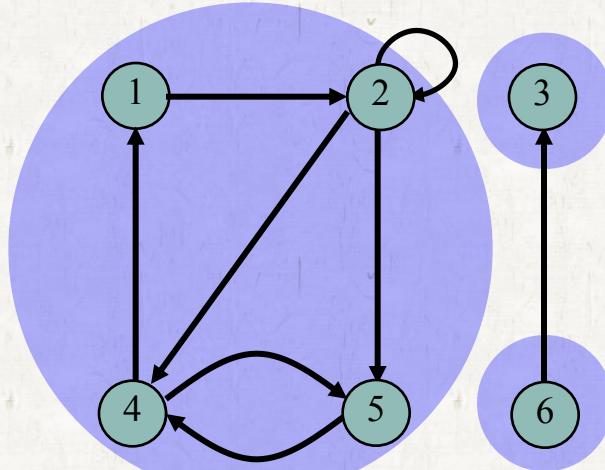
# Graph basics

## • *Strongly connected*

- A **directed graph** is *strongly connected* if every pair of vertices is reachable from each other.

## • *Strongly connected components*

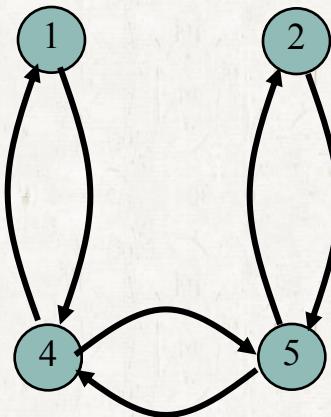
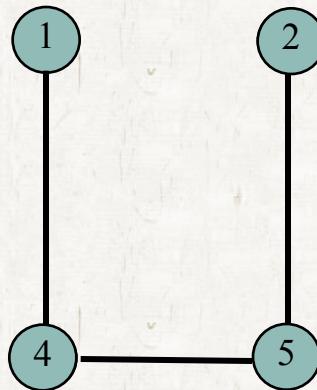
- Maximally strongly connected subsets of vertices in a **directed graph**.



# Graph basics

- ***Directed version*** of an undirected graph

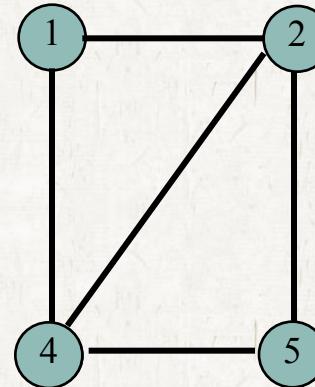
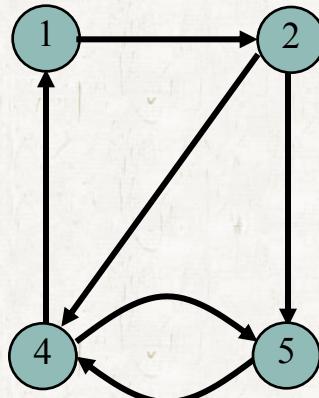
- Replace each undirected edge  $(u,v)$  by two directed edges  $(u,v)$  and  $(v,u)$ .



# Graph basics

- ***Undirected version*** of a directed graph

- Replace each directed edge  $(u,v)$  by an undirected edge  $(u,v)$



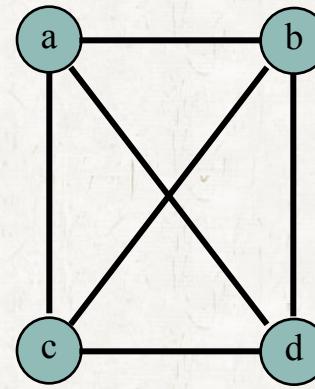
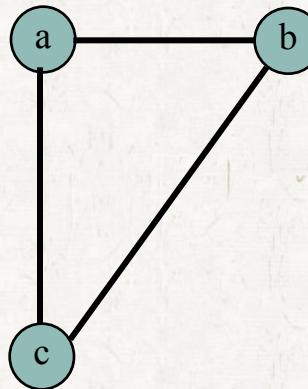
# Graph basics

- Undirected graph  $G \rightarrow$  directed ver.  $G' \rightarrow$  undirected ver.  $G''$ 
  - Are  $G$  and  $G''$  the same?
- Directed graph  $G \rightarrow$  undirected ver.  $G' \rightarrow$  directed ver.  $G''$ 
  - Are  $G$  and  $G''$  the same?

# Graph basics

## • *A complete graph*

- An undirected graph in which every pair of vertices is adjacent.

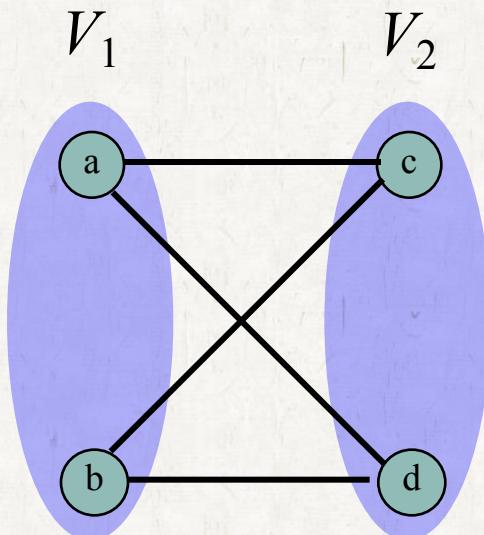


- The number of edges with  $n$  vertices?

# Graph basics

## • *A bipartite graph*

- An undirected graph  $G = (V,E)$  in which  $V$  can be partitioned into two sets  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  such that for each edge  $(u,v)$ , either  $u \in V_1$  and  $v \in V_2$  or  $u \in V_2$  and  $v \in V_1$ .



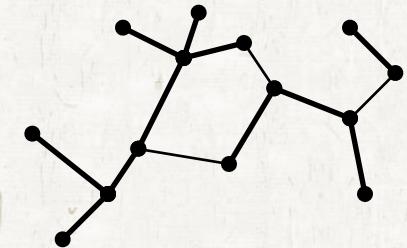
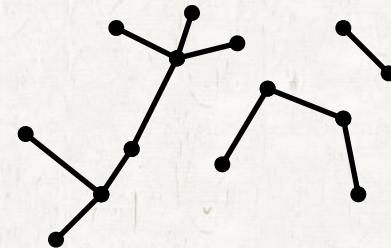
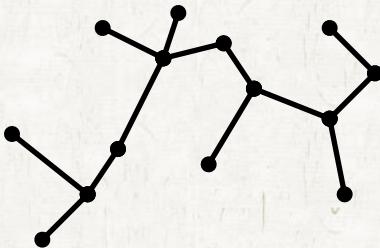
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## • *Forest*

- An acyclic, undirected graph

## • *Tree*

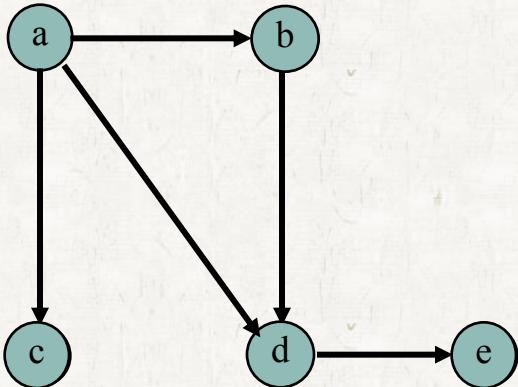
- A connected forest
- A connected, acyclic, undirected graph



# Graph basics

## Dag

- A directed acyclic graph



## Handshaking lemma

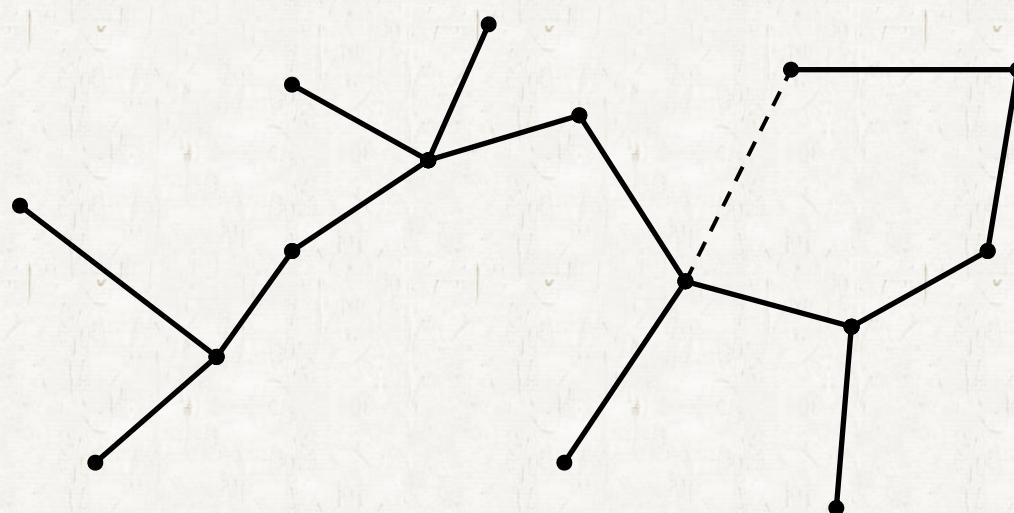
- If  $G = (V, E)$  is an undirected graph

$$\sum_{v \in V} \text{degree}(v) = 2 |E|$$

# Graph basics

## Tree: connected, acyclic, and undirected graph

- Any two vertices are connected by a **unique simple path**.
- If any edge is removed, the resulting graph is **disconnected**.
- If any edge is added, the resulting graph **contains a cycle**.
- $|E| = |V| - 1$



# Graph basics

- **$G$  is a tree.**
  - =  $G$  is a connected, acyclic, and undirected graph
  - = In  $G$ , any two vertices are connected by a unique simple path.
  - =  $G$  is connected, and if any edge is removed, the resulting graph is disconnected.
  - =  $G$  is connected,  $|E| = |V| - 1$ .
  - =  $G$  is acyclic,  $|E| = |V| - 1$ .
  - =  $G$  is acyclic, but if any edge is added, the resulting graph contains a cycle.

# Graph basics

## • The number of edges

- Directed graph
  - $|E| \leq |V|^2$
- Undirected graph
  - $|E| \leq |V| (|V|-1) / 2$

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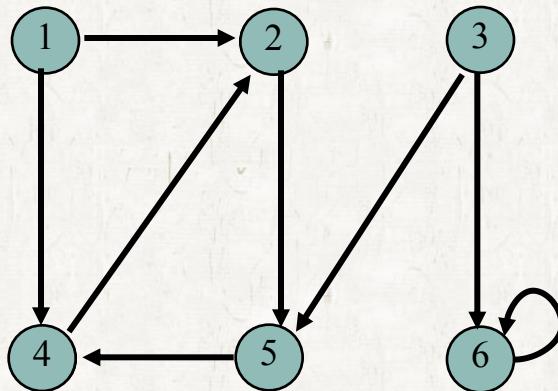
## • Representations of graphs

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- Adjacency-matrix representation

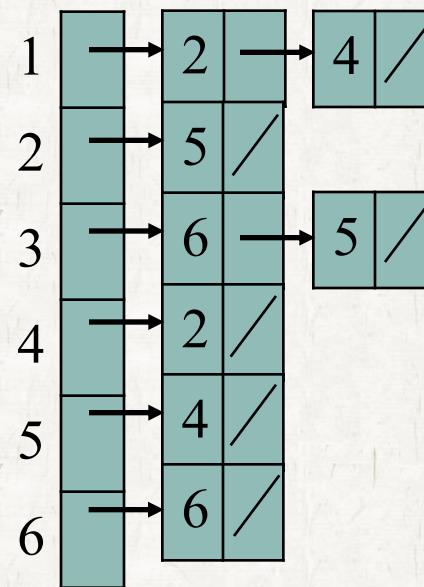
# Graph representation

## Adjacency-list representation

- An array of  $|V|$  lists, one for each vertex.
- For vertex  $u$ , its adjacency list contains all vertices adjacent to  $u$ .



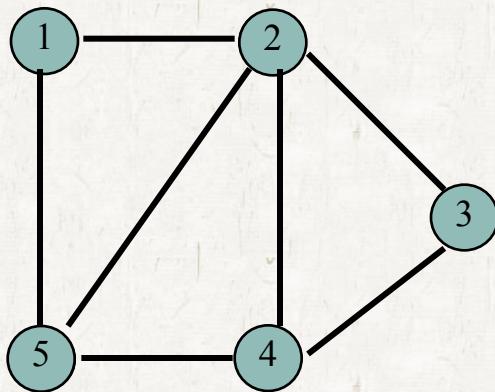
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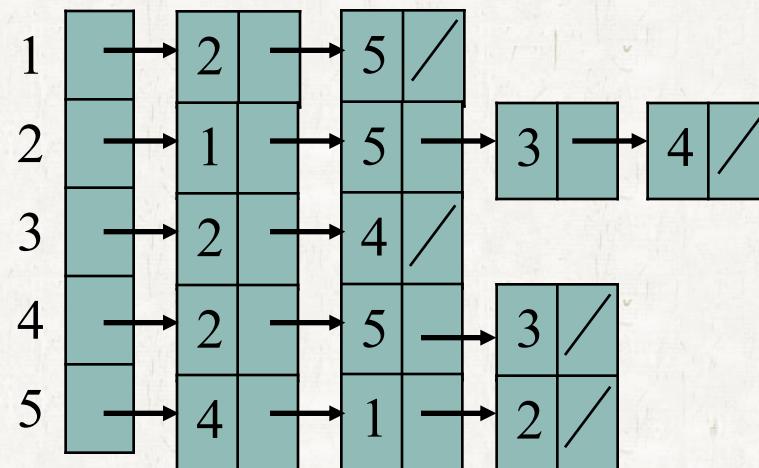
# Graph representation

## Adjacency-list representation

- For an undirected graph, its directed version is stored.



An undirected graph

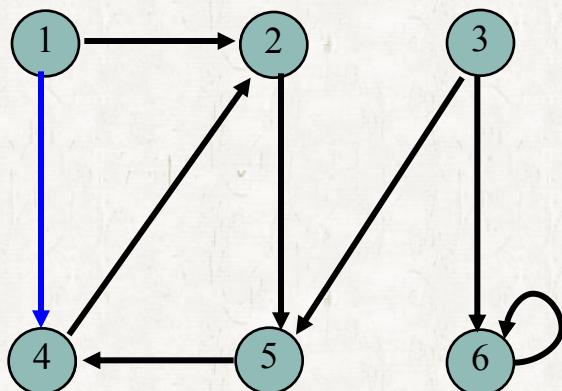


- $\Theta(V + E)$  space

# Graph representation

## Adjacency-matrix representation

- $|V| \times |V|$  matrix:  $\Theta(V^2)$  space
- Entry  $(i,j)$  is 1 if there is an edge and 0 otherwise.



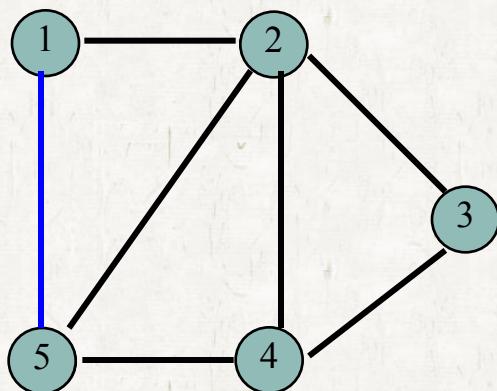
A directed graph

	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
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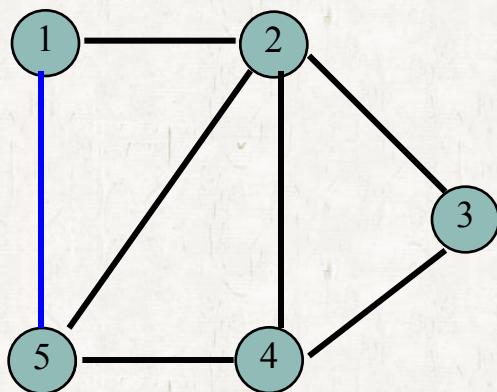
An undirected graph

	1	2	3	4	5
1	0	1	0	0	1
2	1	0	1	1	1
3	0	1	0	1	0
4	0	1	1	0	1
5	1	1	0	1	0

# Graph representation

## Adjacency-matrix representation

- For an undirected graph, there is a symmetry along the main diagonal of its adjacency matrix.
- Storing the lower matrix is enough.



An undirected graph

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2	1	0	1	1	1
3	0	1	0	1	0
4	0	1	1	0	1
5	1	1	0	1	0

# Graph representation

## Comparison of adjacency list and adjacency matrix

- Storage
  - If  $G$  is sparse, adjacency list is better.
    - because  $|E| < |V|^2$ .
  - If  $G$  is dense, adjacency matrix is better.
    - because adjacency matrix uses only one bit for an entry.
- Edge present test: does an edge  $(i,j)$  exist?
  - Adjacency matrix:  $\Theta(1)$  time.
  - Adjacency list:  $O(V)$  time.

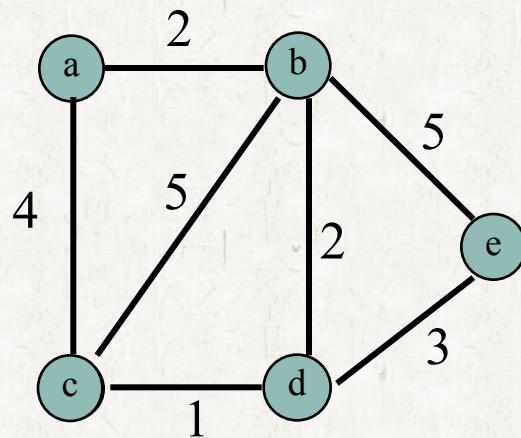
# Graph representation

- Comparison of adjacency list and adjacency matrix
  - Listing or visiting all edges
    - Adjacency matrix:  $\Theta(V^2)$  time.
    - Adjacency list:  $\Theta(V + E)$  time.

# Graph representation

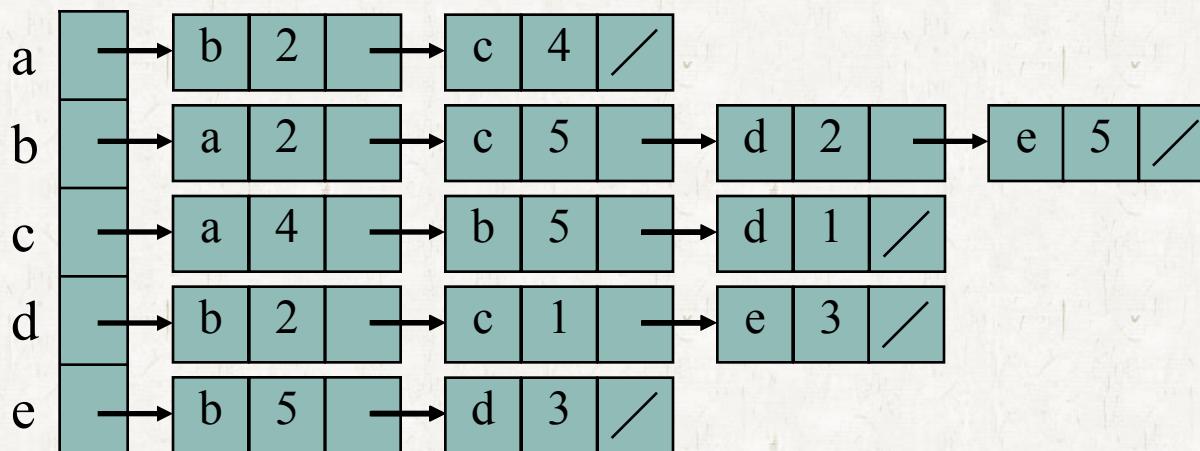
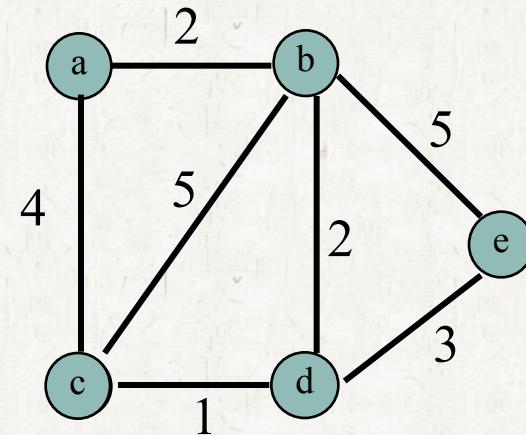
## Weighted graph

- Edges have weights.



# Graph representation

- Weighted graph representation
  - adjacency list

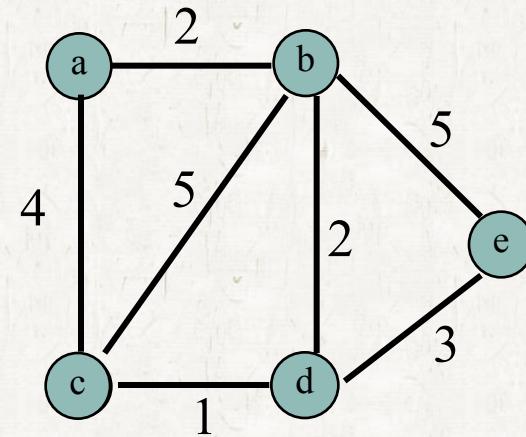


# Graph representation

## Weighted graph representation

- adjacency matrix
  - $\Theta(V^2)$  space

	a	b	c	d	e
a	0	2	4	0	0
b	2	0	5	2	5
c	4	5	0	1	0
d	0	2	1	0	3
e	0	5	0	3	0



# Graph representation

## Transpose of a matrix

- The *transpose* of a matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$  is
- $A^T = (a_{ij}^T)$  where  $a_{ij}^T = a_{ji}$
- An undirected graph is its own transpose:  $A = A^T$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & a_{31} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & a_{32} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Self-study

## Exercise 22.1-3

- The transpose of a directed graph

## Exercise 22.1-4

- Removing duplicate edges in a multigraph in  $O(V+E)$  time.

## Exercise 22.1-6

- Universal sink detection in  $O(V)$  time.

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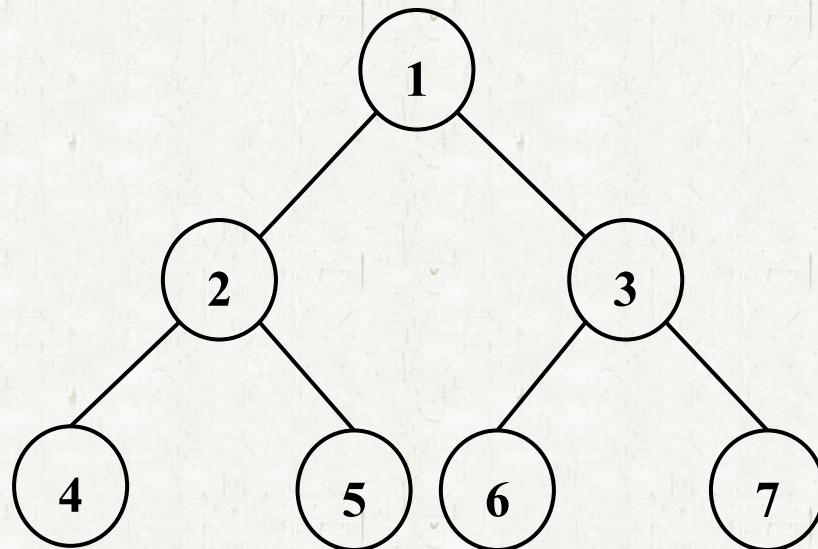
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# Searching a tree

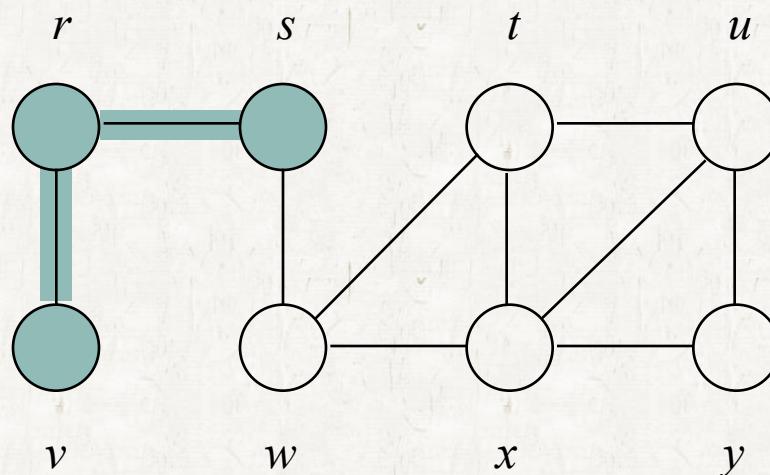


- ➊ Breadth-first search
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# Breadth-first search

## Distance

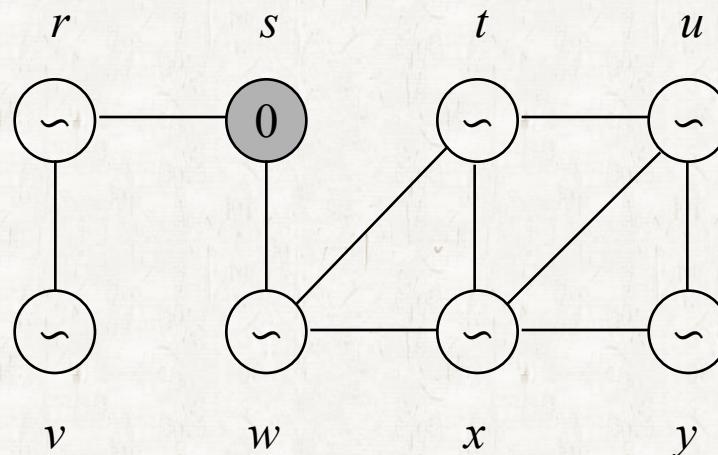
- Distance from  $u$  to  $v$ 
  - The number of edges in the shortest path from  $u$  to  $v$ .
  - The distance from  $s$  to  $v$  is 2.



# Breadth-first search

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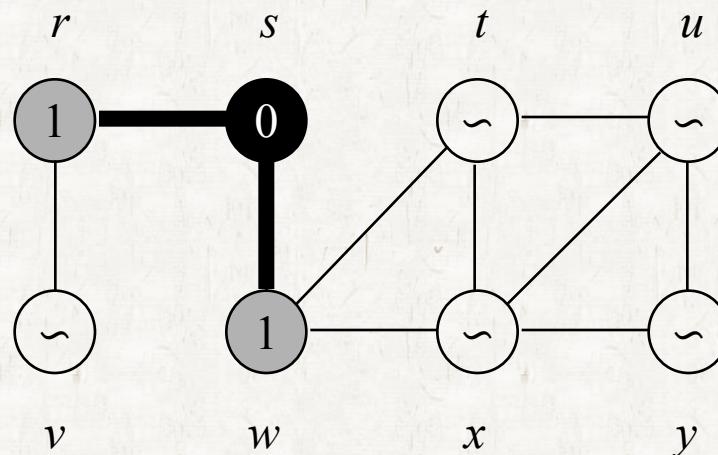
- Given a graph  $G = (V, E)$  and a **source** vertex  $s$ , it explores the edges of  $G$  to "discover" every reachable vertex from  $s$ .
- It discovers vertices in the increasing order of distance from the source. It first discovers all vertices at distance 1, then 2, and etc.



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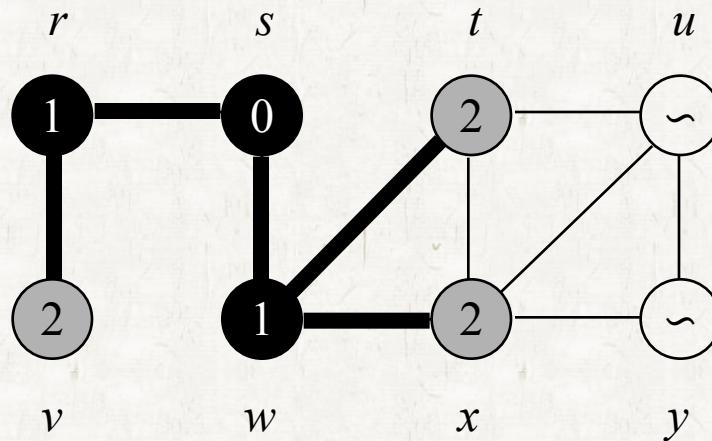
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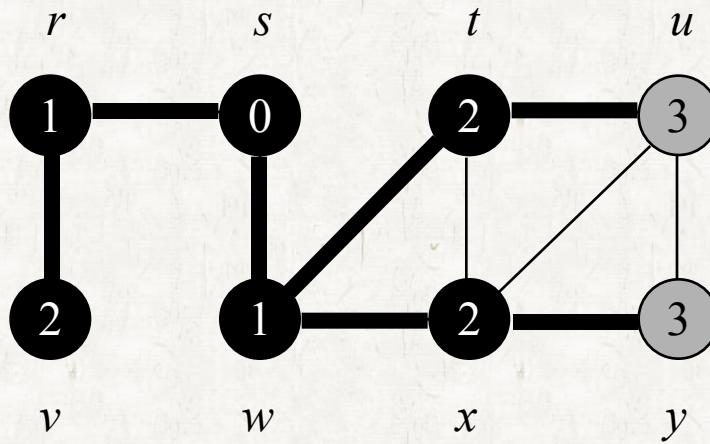
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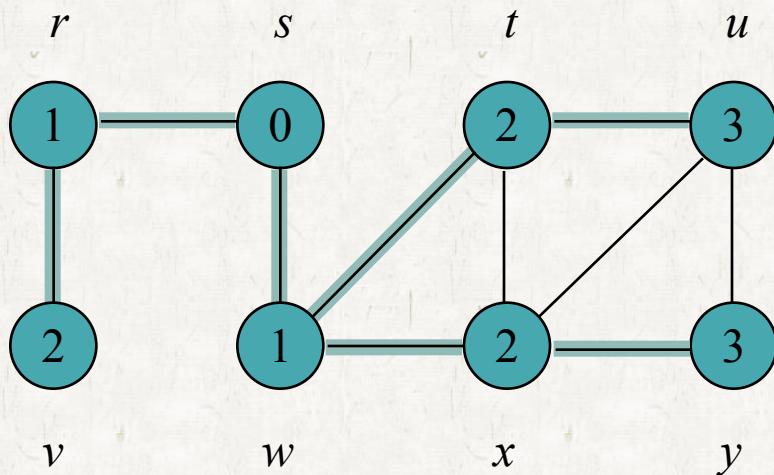
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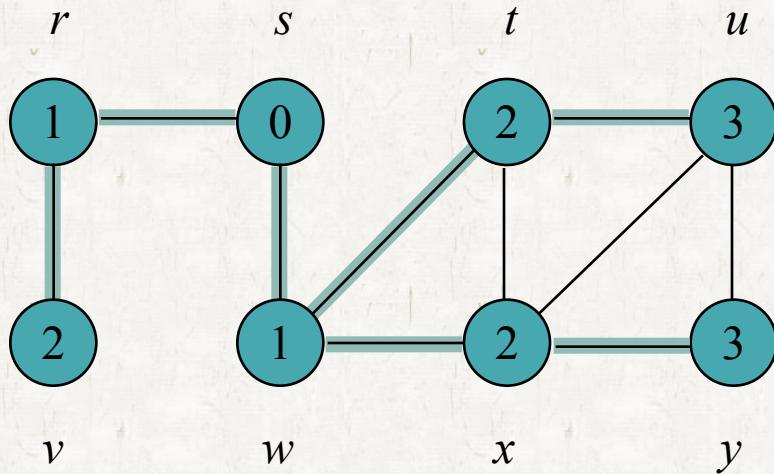
## • Breadth-first search

- It also computes
  - the distance of vertices from the source:  $u.d = 3$
  - the predecessor of vertices:  $u.\pi = t$



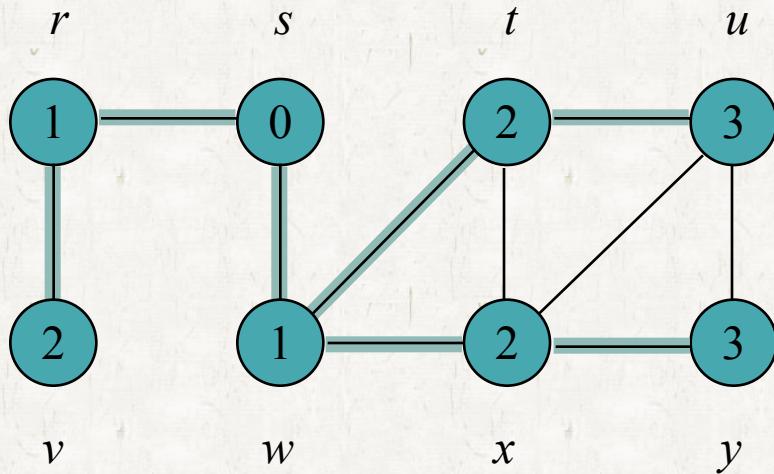
# Breadth-first search

- The *predecessor subgraph* of  $G$  as  $G_\pi = (V_\pi, E_\pi)$ ,
  - $V_\pi = \{v \in V : v.\pi \neq \text{NIL}\} \cup \{s\}$
  - $E_\pi = \{(v.\pi, v) : v \in V_\pi - \{s\}\}$ .



# Breadth-first search

- The predecessor subgraph  $G_\pi$  is a ***breadth-first tree***.
  - since it is connected and  $|E_\pi| = |V_\pi| - 1$ .
  - The edges in  $E_\pi$  are called ***tree edges***.

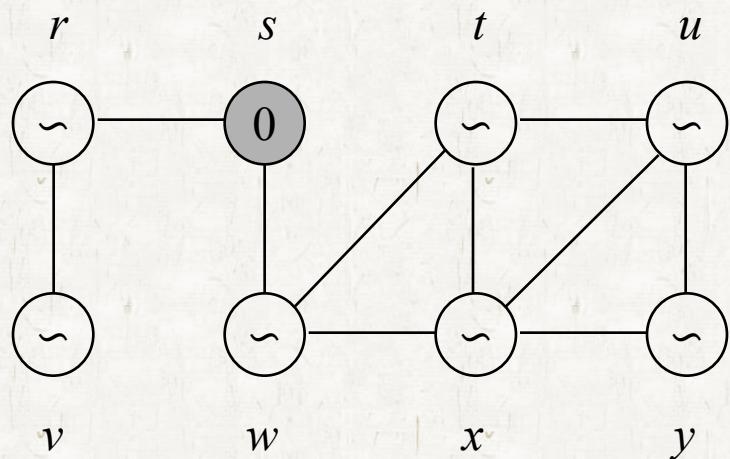


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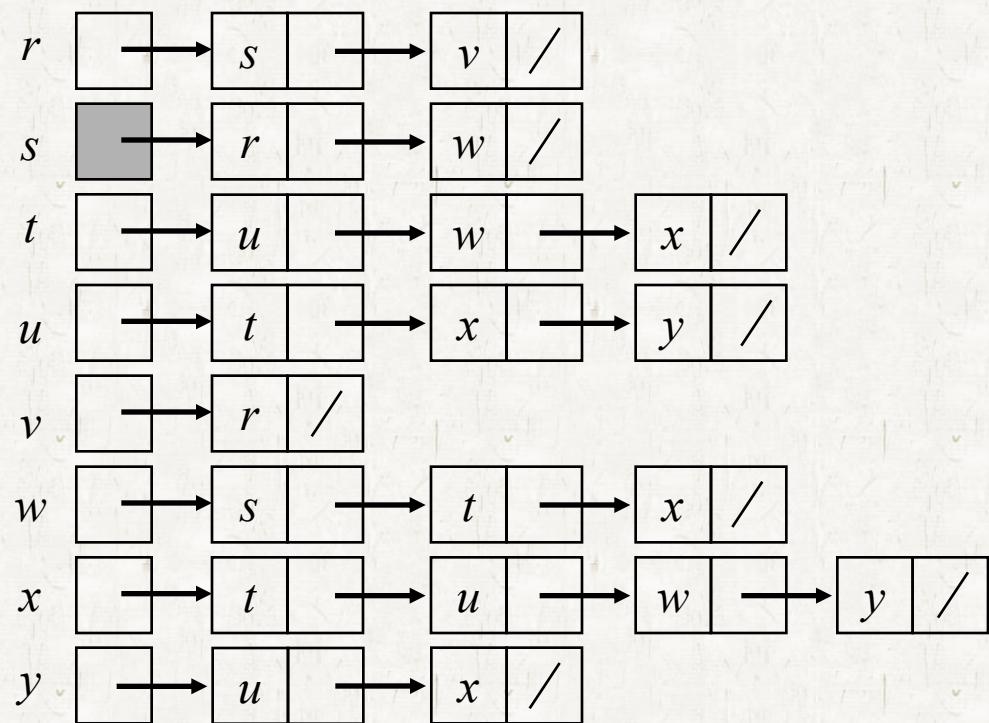
$\text{BFS}(G, s)$

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8       $Q = \emptyset$ 
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10     while  $Q \neq \emptyset$ 
11          $u = \text{DEQUEUE}(Q)$ 
12         for each  $v \in G.\text{Adj}[u]$ 
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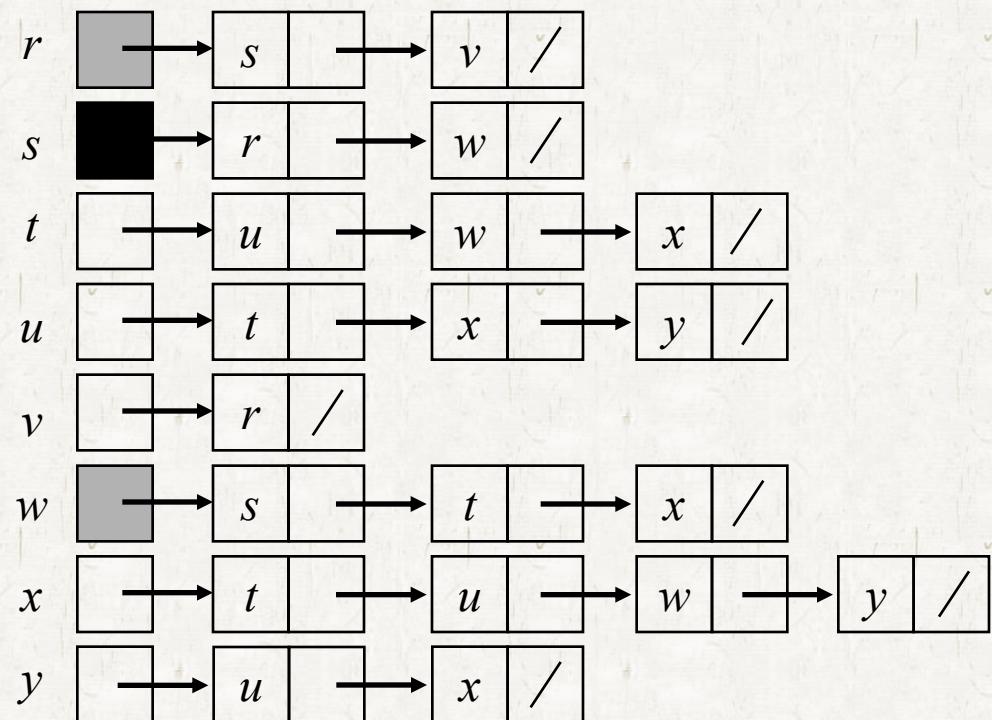
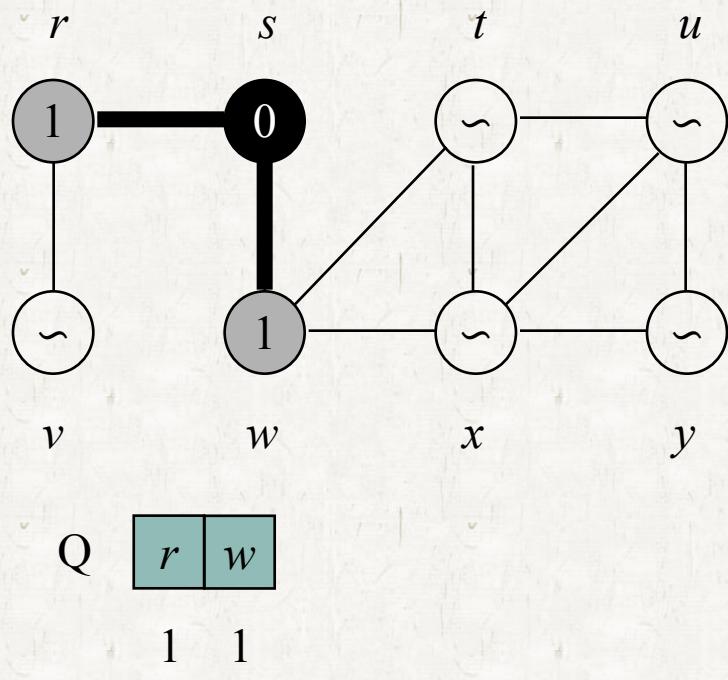
# Breadth-first search



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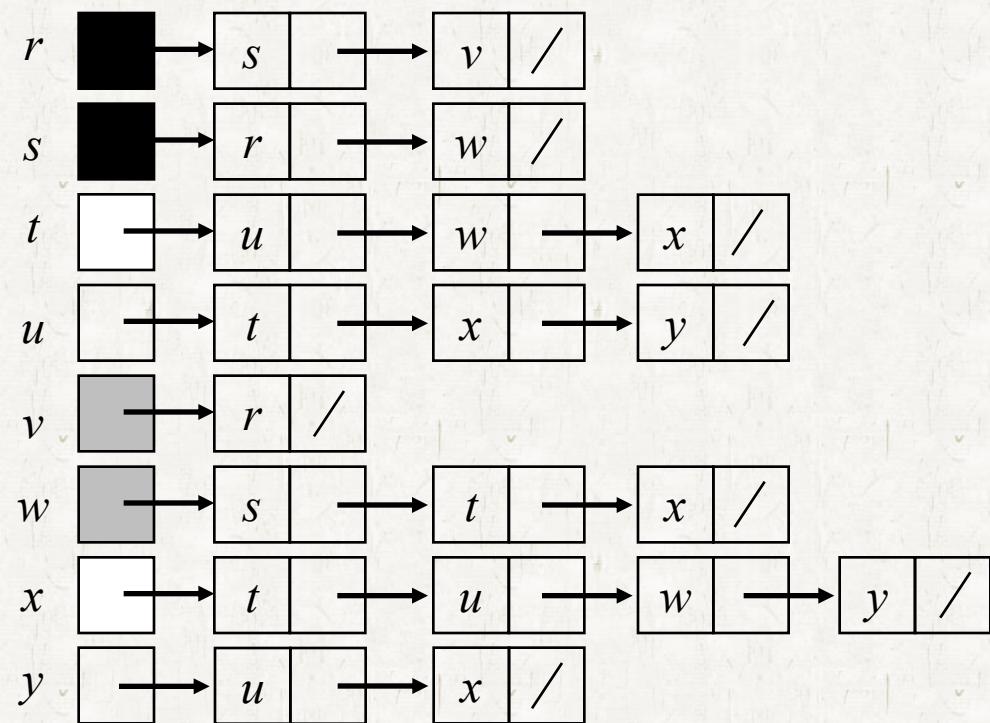
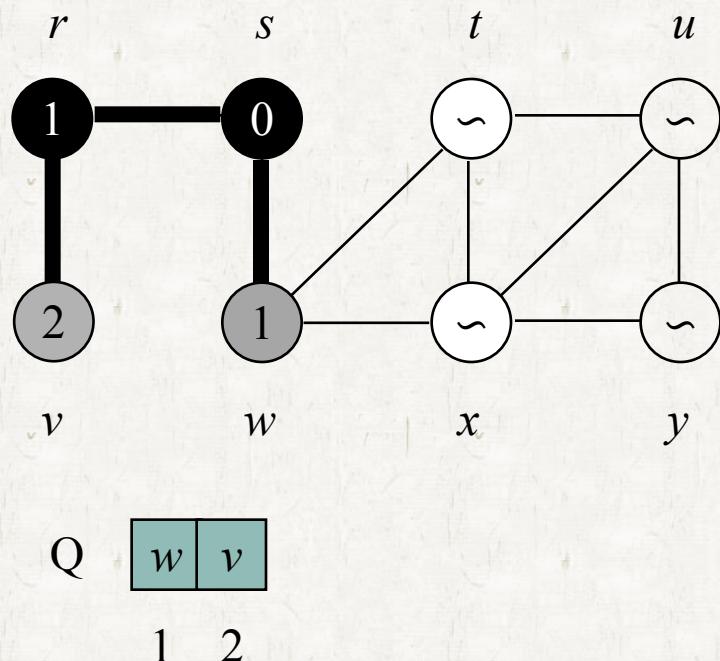


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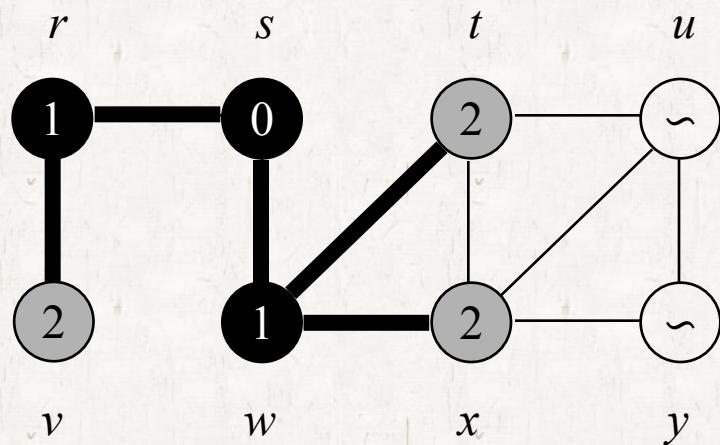


- white: not discovered (not entered the Q)
- gray: discovered (in the Q)
- black: finished (out of the Q)

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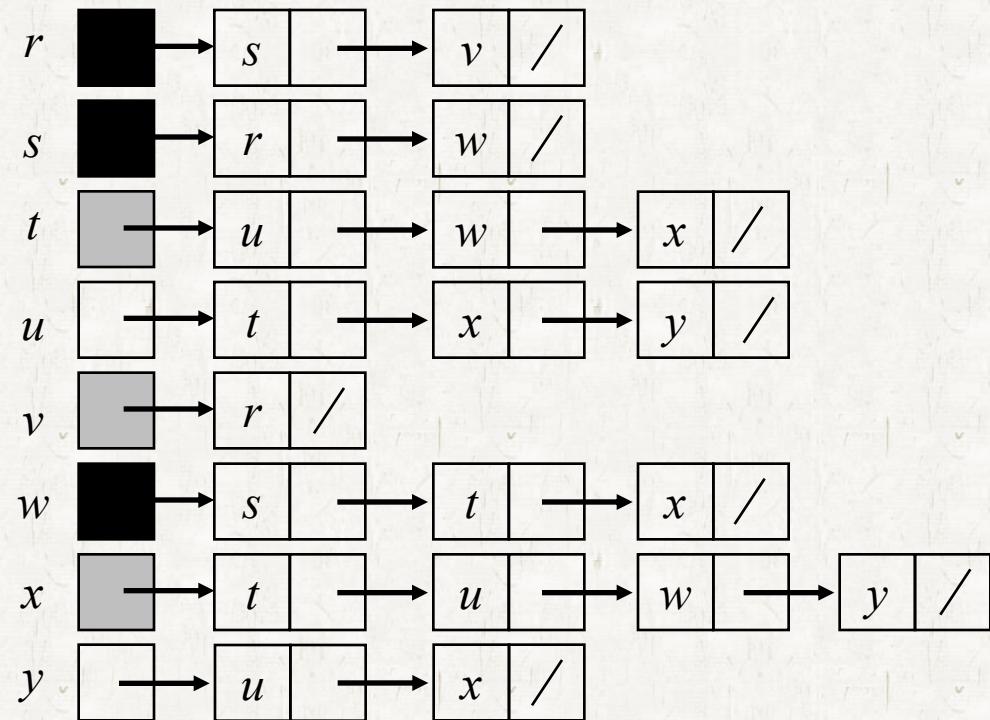


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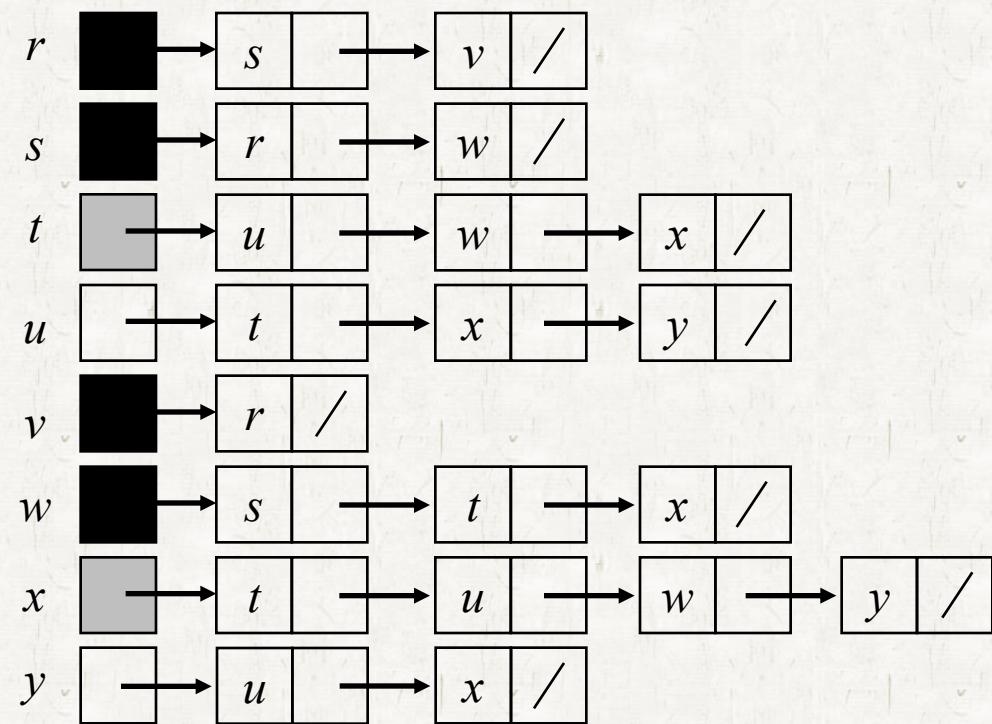
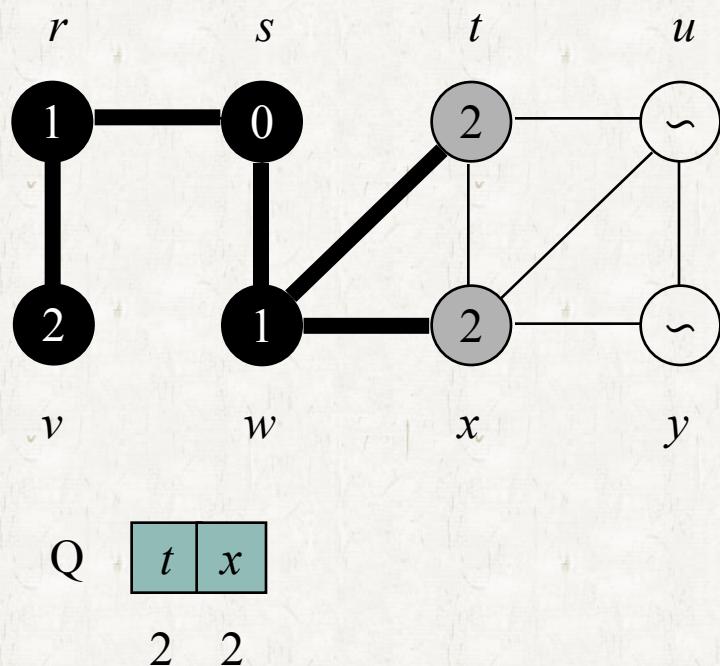


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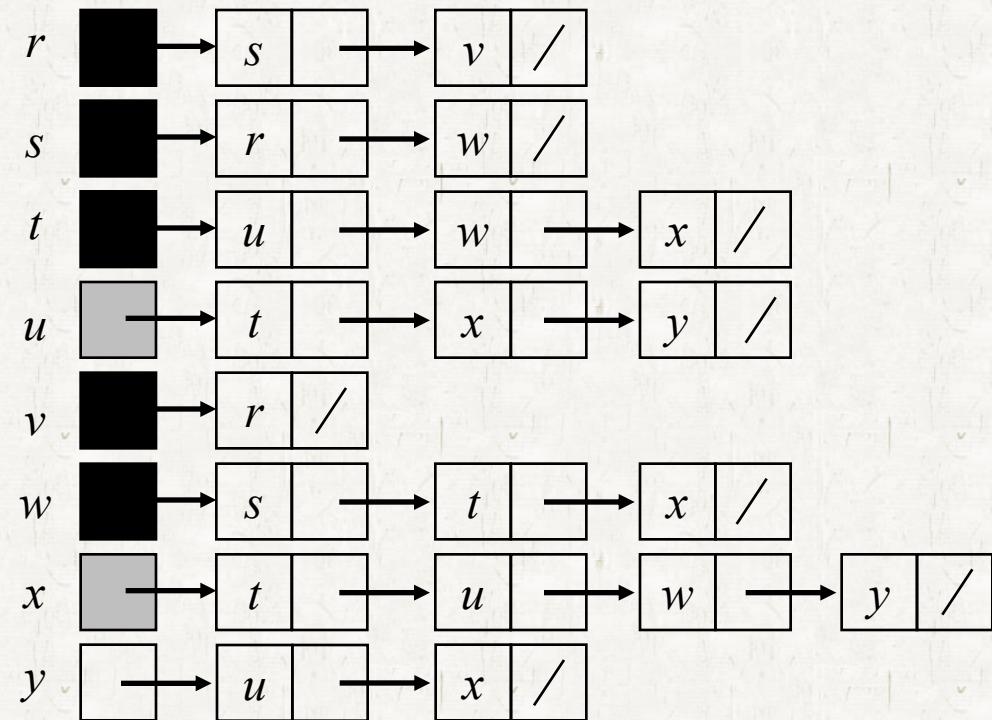
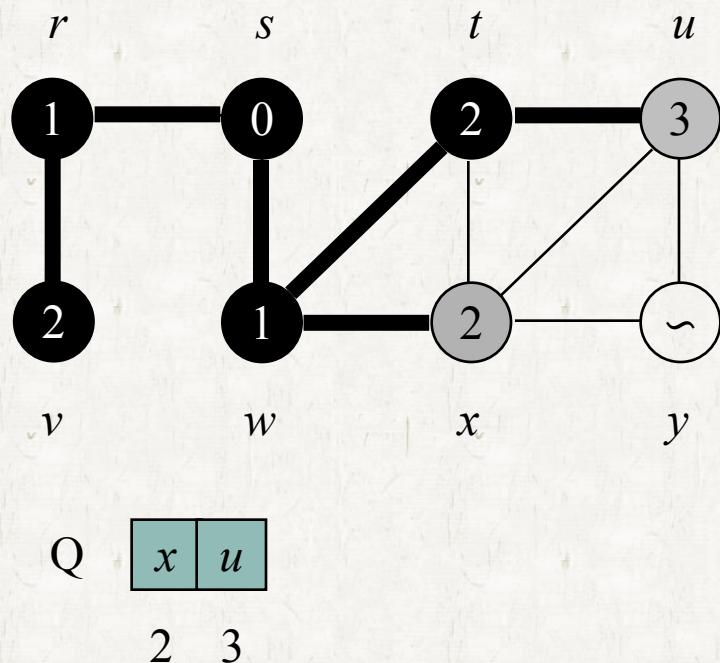
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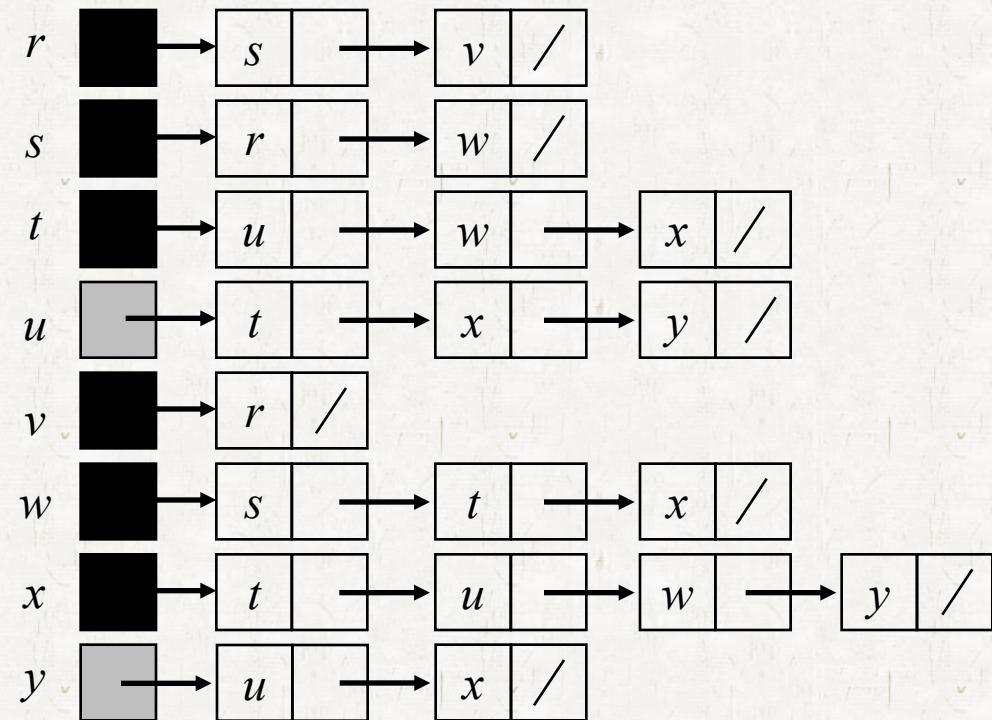
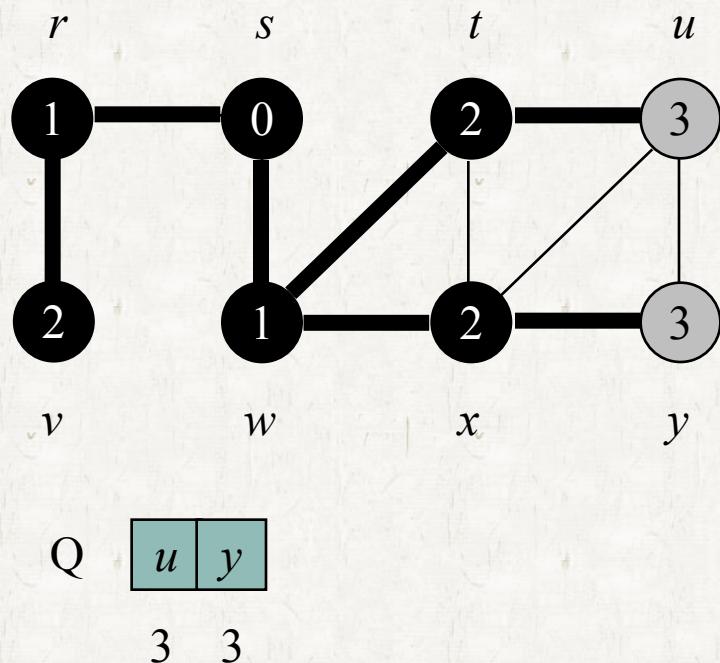
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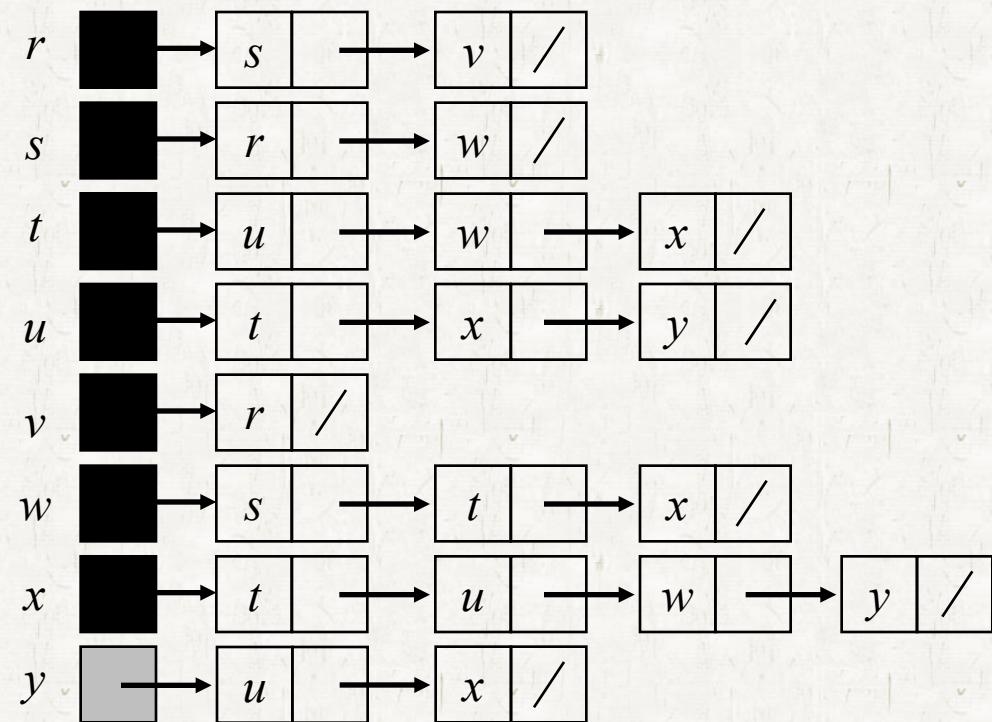
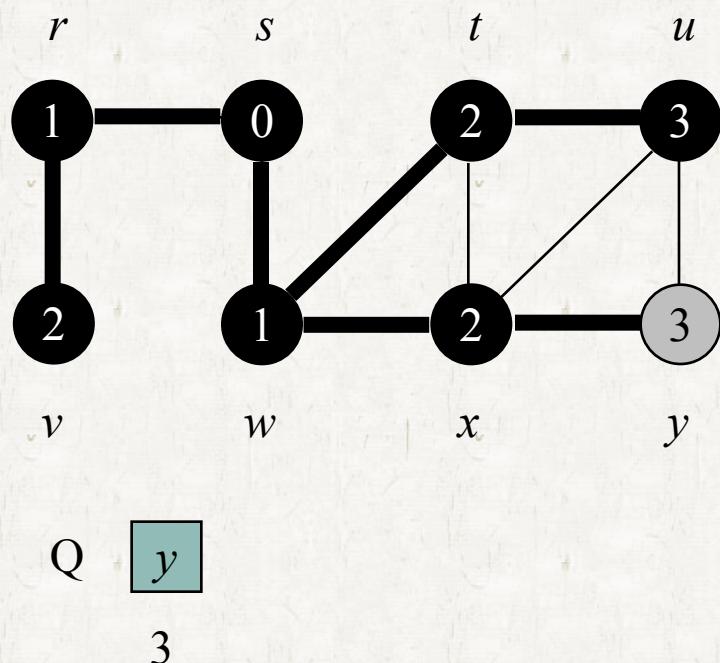
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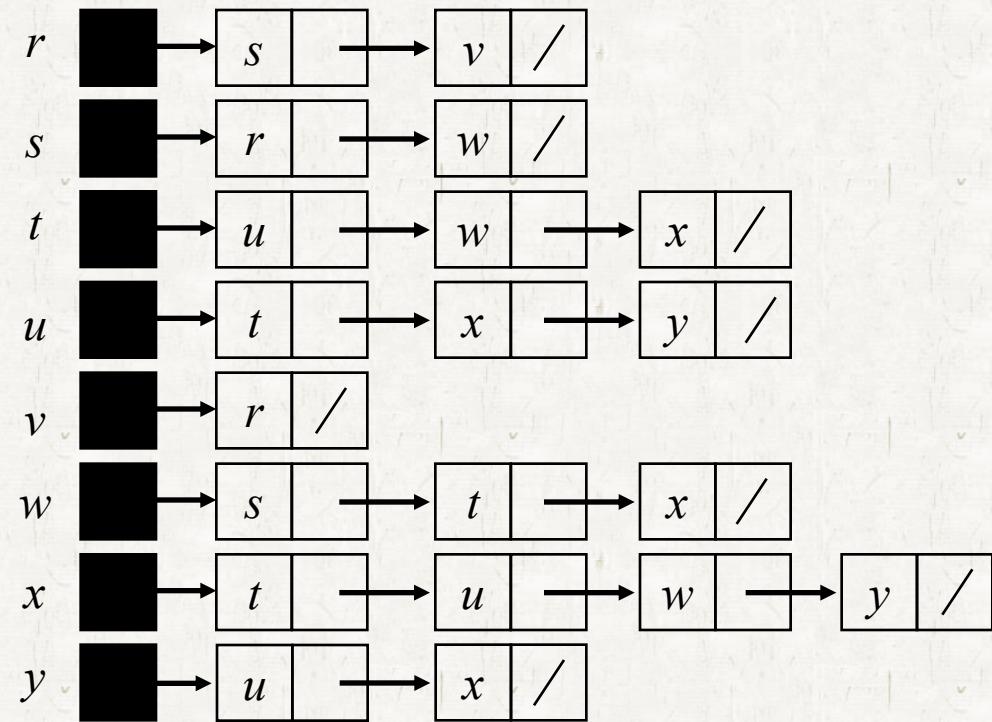
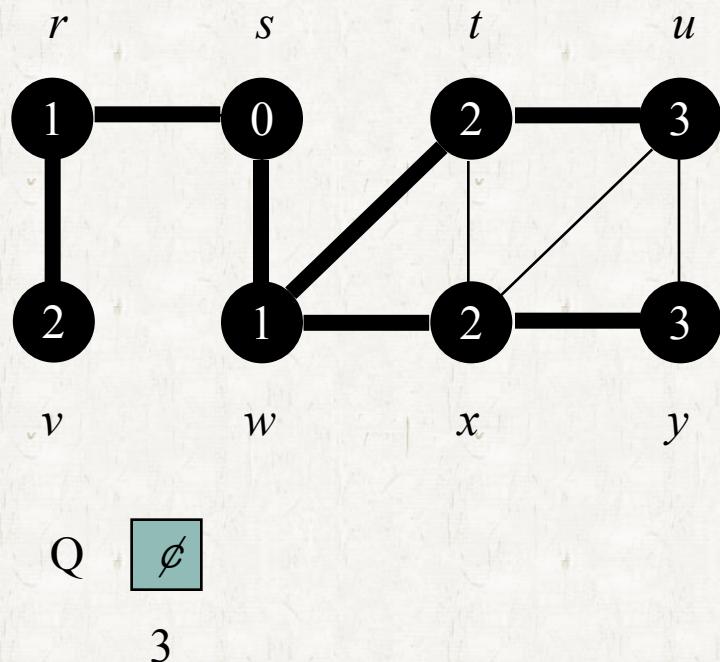
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# Breadth-first search

## • Running time

- Initialization:  $\Theta(V)$
- Exploring the graph:  $O(V + E)$ 
  - A vertex is examined at most once.
  - An edge is explored at most twice.
- Overall:  $O(V + E)$

# Self-study

## • **Exercise 22.2-4 (22.2-3 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.)**

- The running time of BFS  
with adjacency matrix representation.

## • **Exercise 22.2-6 (22.2-5 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.)**

- Impossible breadth-first trees.

## • **Exercise 22.2-7 (22.2-6 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.)**

- Rivalry

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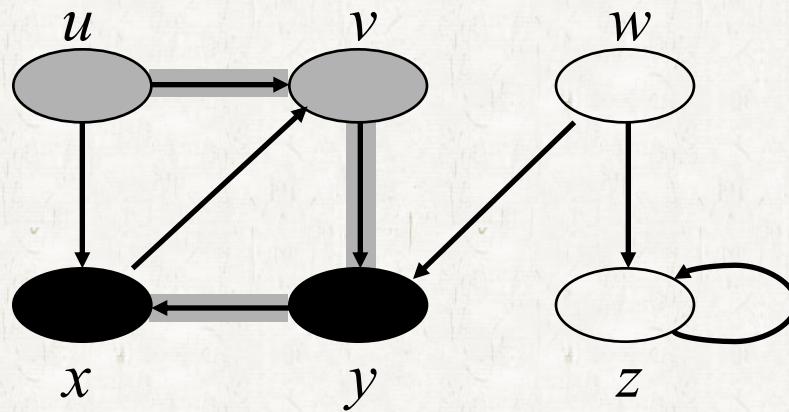
## • **Applications of depth-first search**

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# Depth-first search

## Colors of vertices

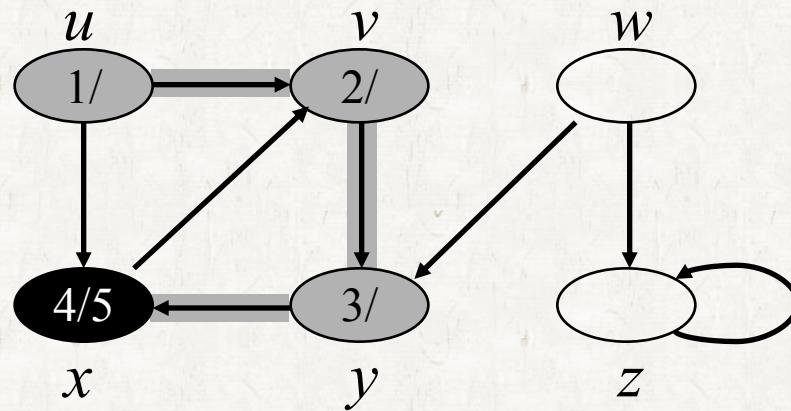
- Each vertex is initially *white*. (not discovered)
- The vertex is *grayed* when it is *discovered*.
- The vertex is *blackened* when it is *finished*, that is, when its adjacency list has been examined completely.



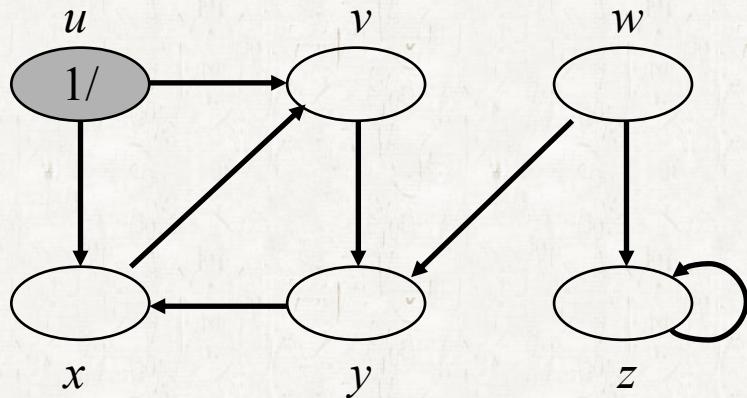
# Depth-first search

## • *Timestamps*

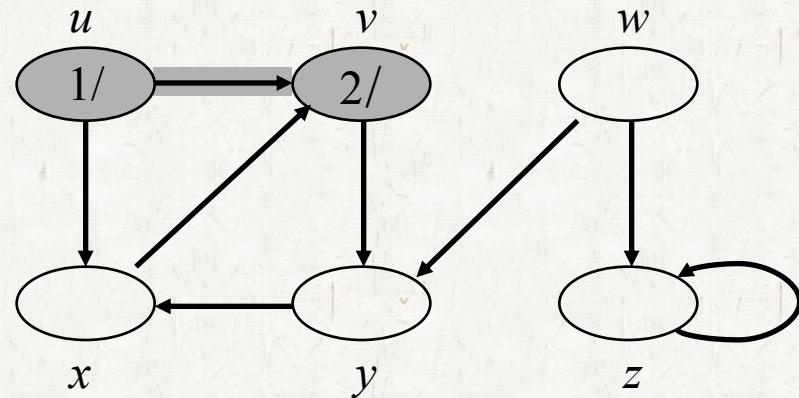
- Each vertex  $v$  has two timestamps.
  - $v.d$ : *discovery time* (when  $v$  is grayed)
  - $v.f$ : *finishing time* (when  $v$  is blacken)



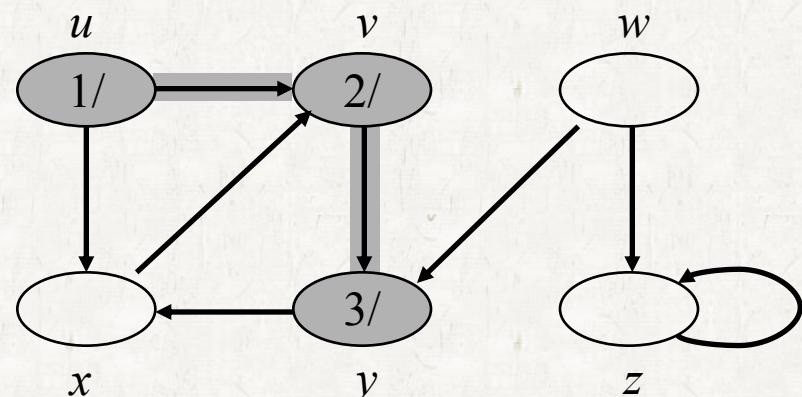
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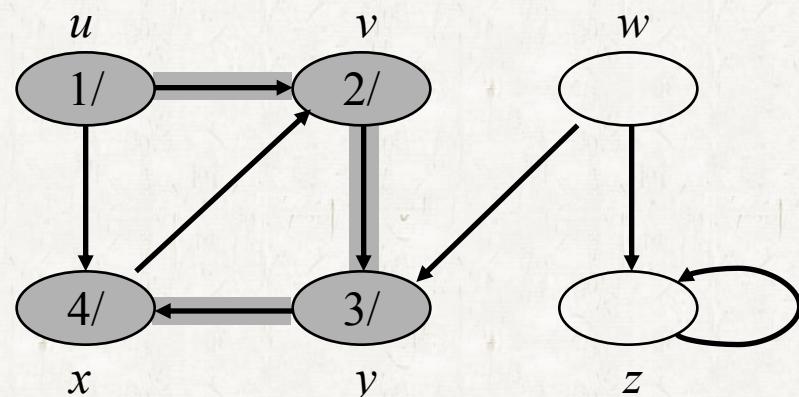
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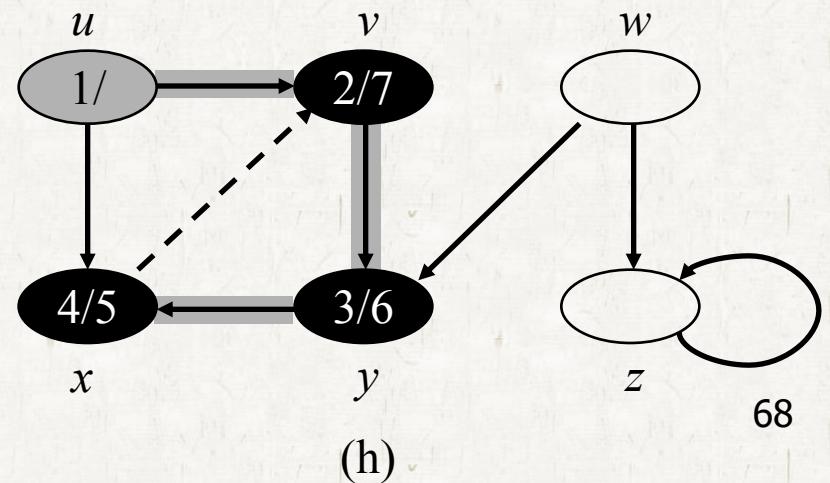
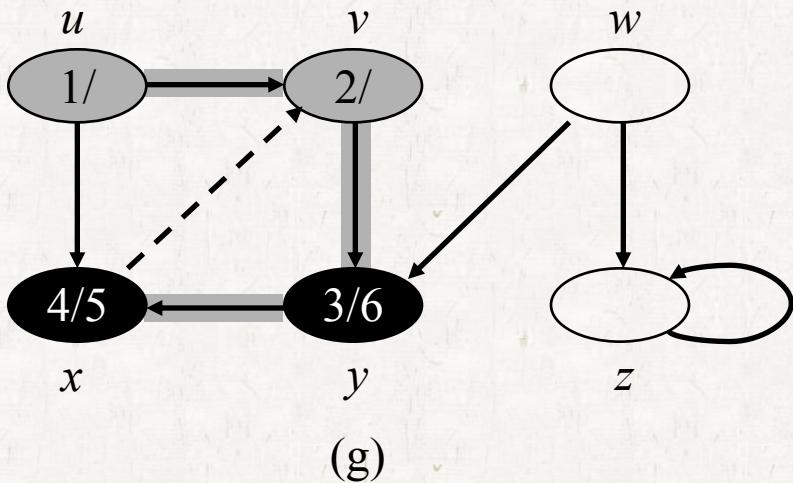
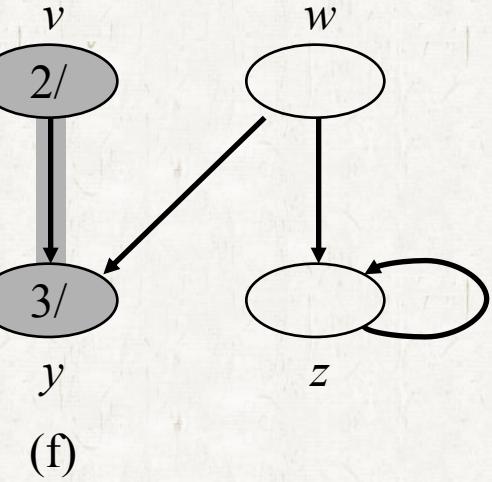
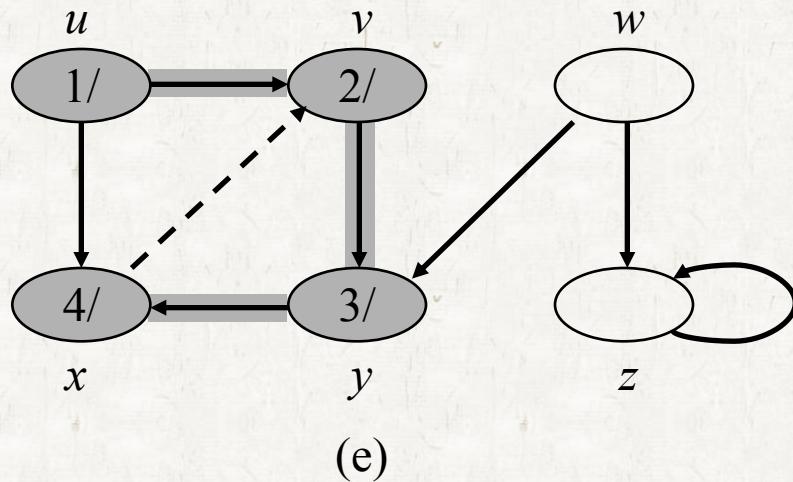


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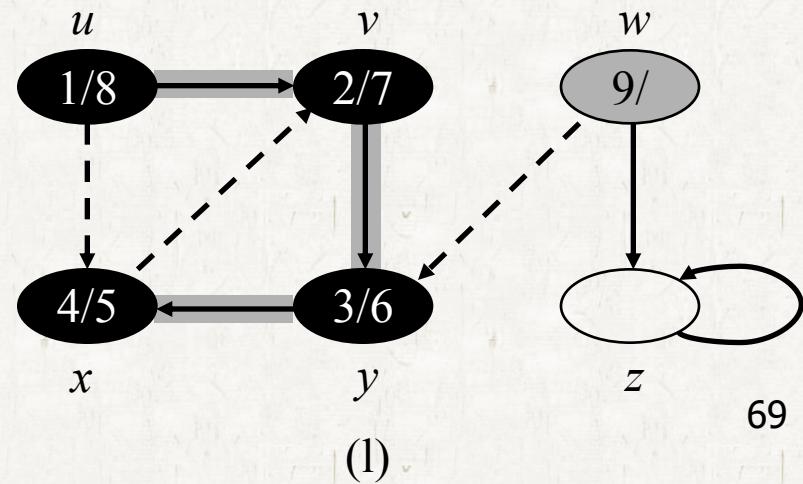
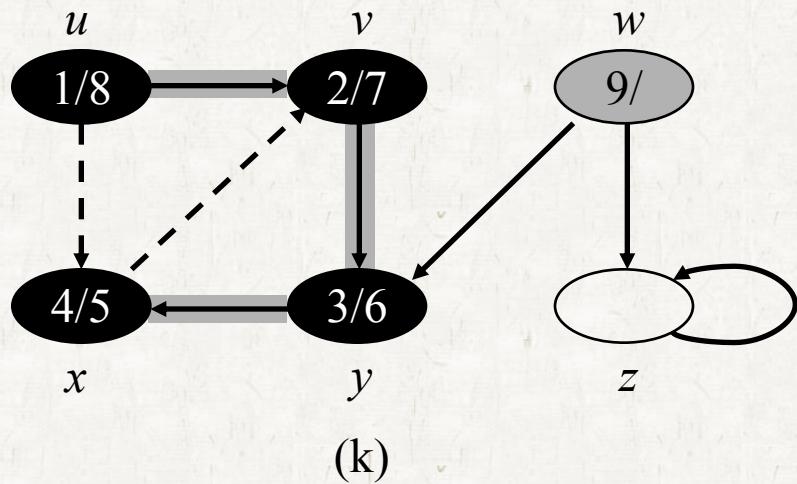
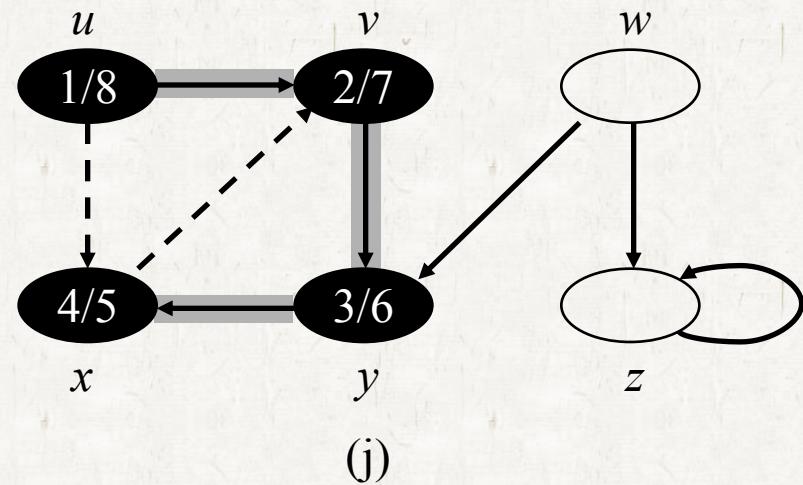
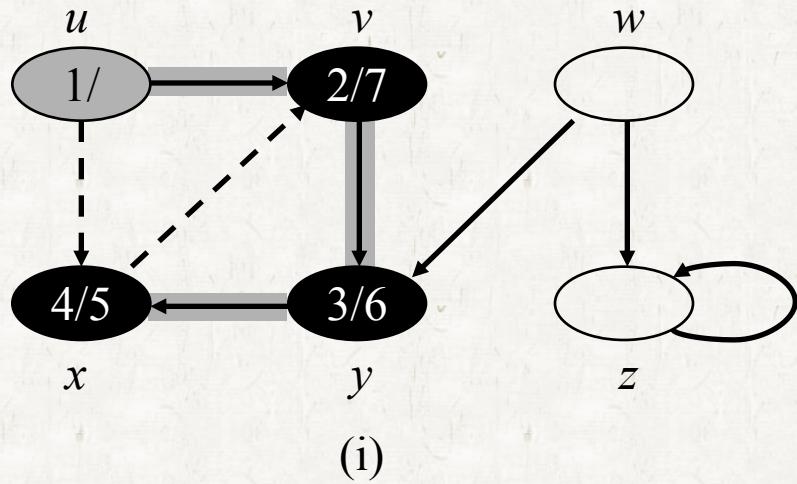


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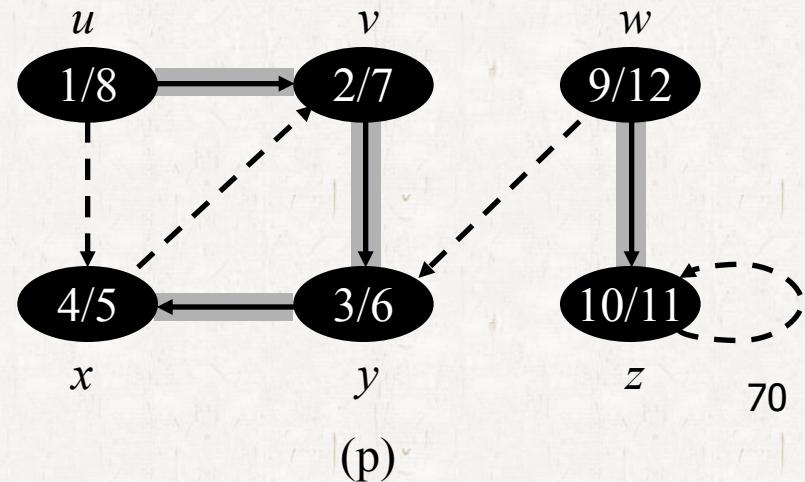
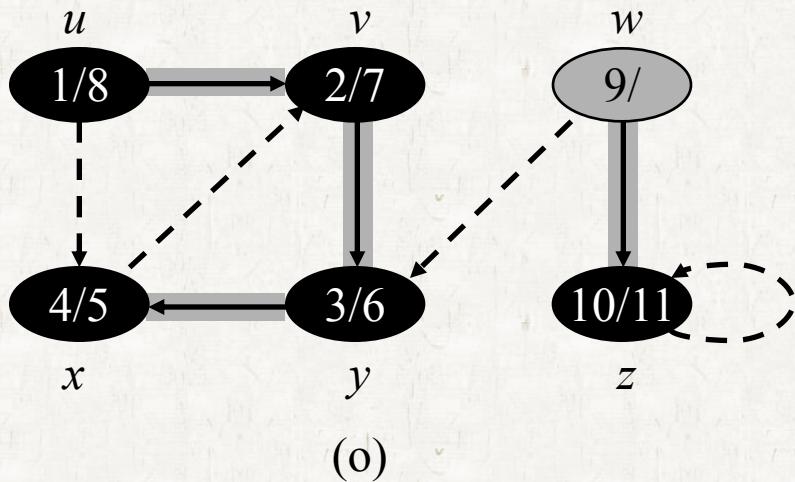
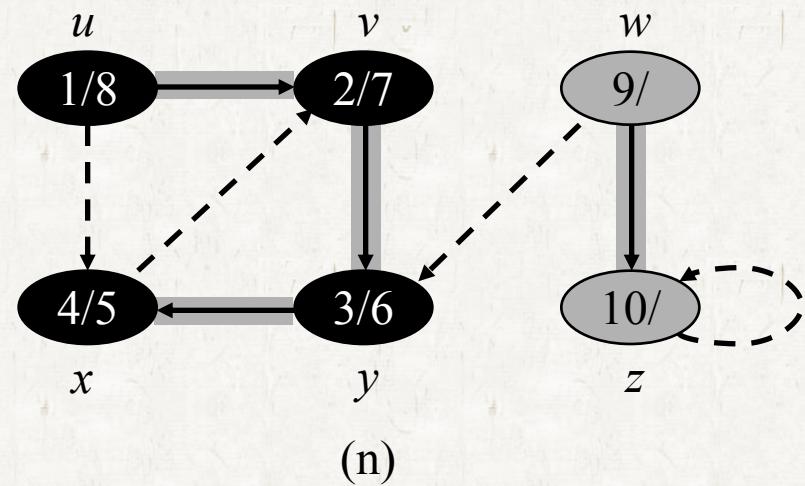
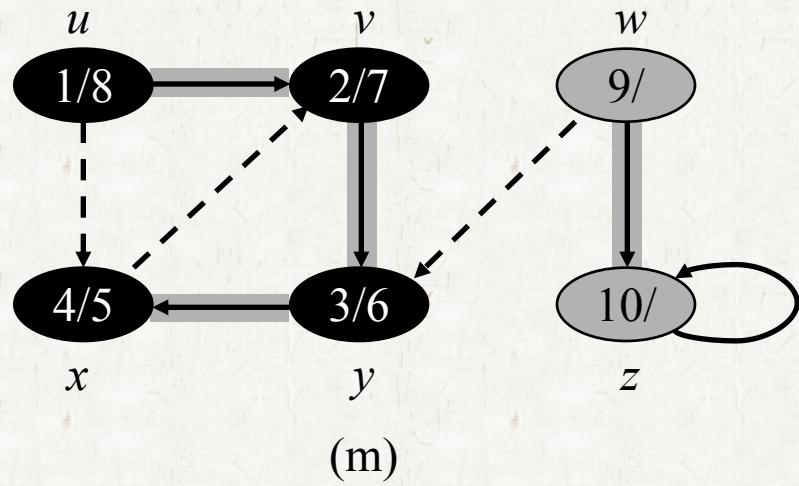
# Depth-first search



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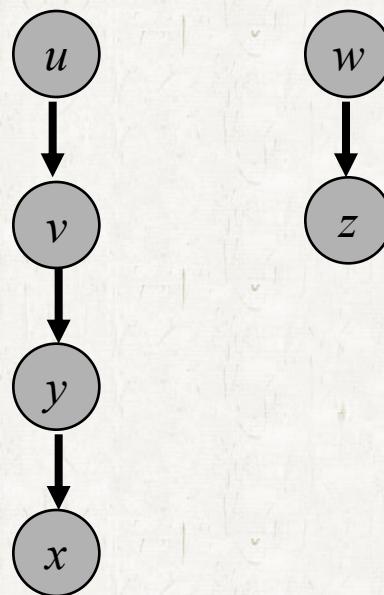


# Depth-first search



# Depth-first search

- The *predecessor subgraph* is a *depth-first forest*.



# Depth-first search

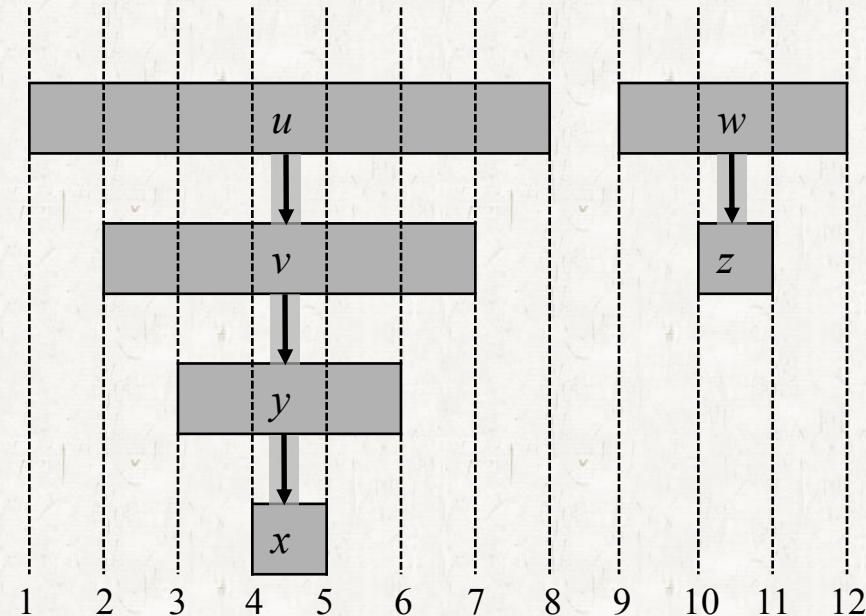
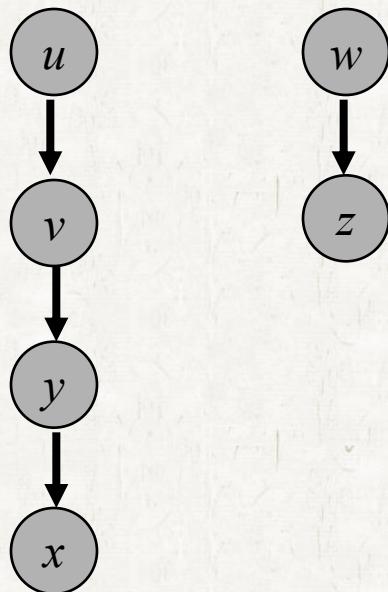
DFS-visit( $G, u$ )

- 1  $u.color = \text{GRAY}$
- 2  $time = time + 1$
- 3  $u.d = time$
- 4 **for** each  $v \in G.Adj[u]$ 
  - 5   **do if**  $v.color == \text{WHITE}$
  - 6       **then**  $v.\pi = u$
  - 7              DFS-visit( $G, v$ )
- 8  $u.color = \text{BLACK}$
- 9  $u.f = time = time + 1$

# Depth-first search

## • *Parenthesis theorem (for gray interval)*

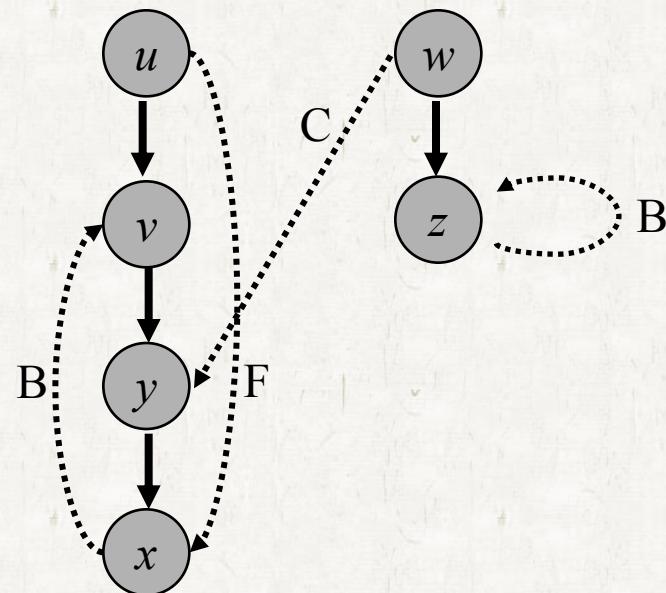
- *Inclusion*: The ancestor's includes the descendants'.
- *Disjoint*: Otherwise.



# Depth-first search

## Classification of edges

- *Tree edges*
- *Back edges*
- *Forward edges*
- *Cross edges*



# Depth-first search

## Classification of edges

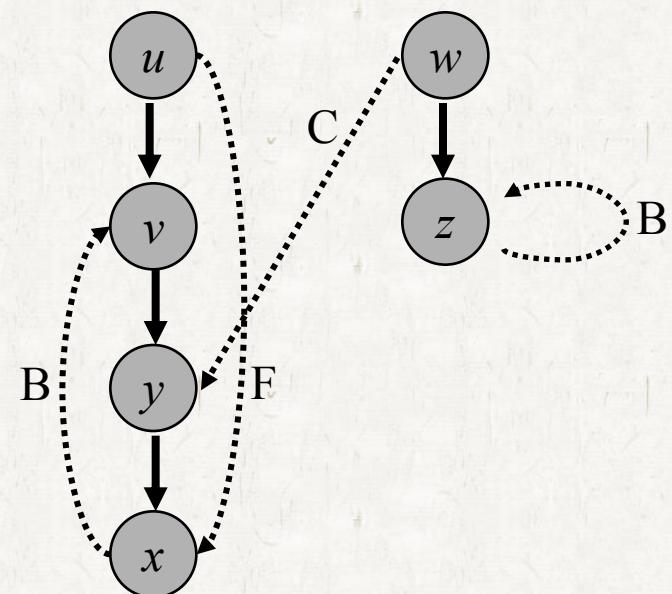
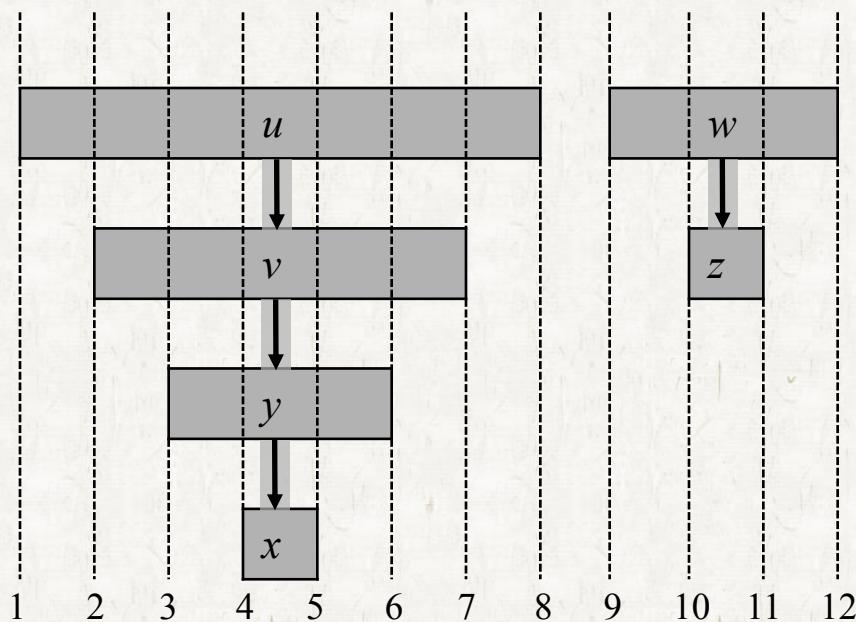
- ***Tree edges***: Edges in the depth-first forest.
- ***Back edges***: Those edges  $(u, v)$  connecting a vertex  $u$  to an ancestor  $v$  in a depth-first tree. Self-loops are considered to be back edges.
- ***Forward edges***: Those edges  $(u, v)$  connecting a vertex  $u$  to a descendant  $v$  in a depth-first tree.
- ***Cross edges***: All other edges. They can go between vertices in the same depth-first tree, as long as one vertex is not an ancestor of the other, or they can go between vertices in different depth-first trees.

# Depth-first search

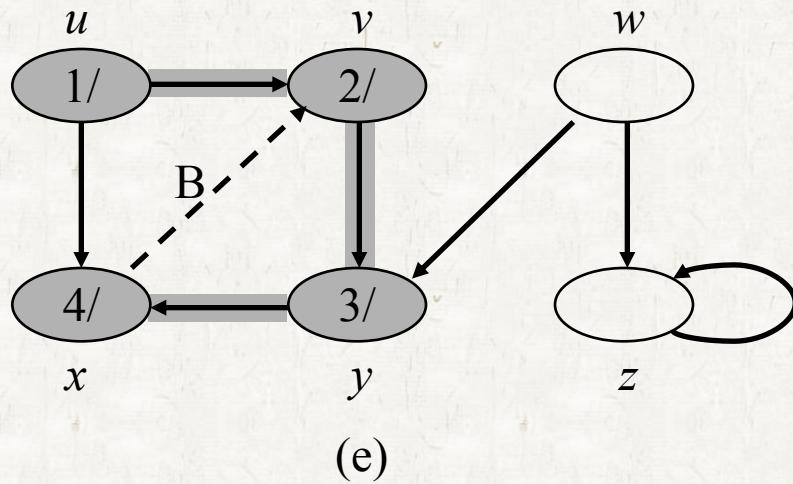
## Classification by the DFS algorithm

- Each edge  $(u, v)$  can be classified by the color of the vertex  $v$  that is reached when the edge is first explored:
  - *white* indicates a tree edge,
  - *gray* indicates a back edge, and
  - *black* indicates a forward or cross edge.
- Forward and cross edges are classified by *the inclusion of gray intervals of  $u$  and  $v$* .

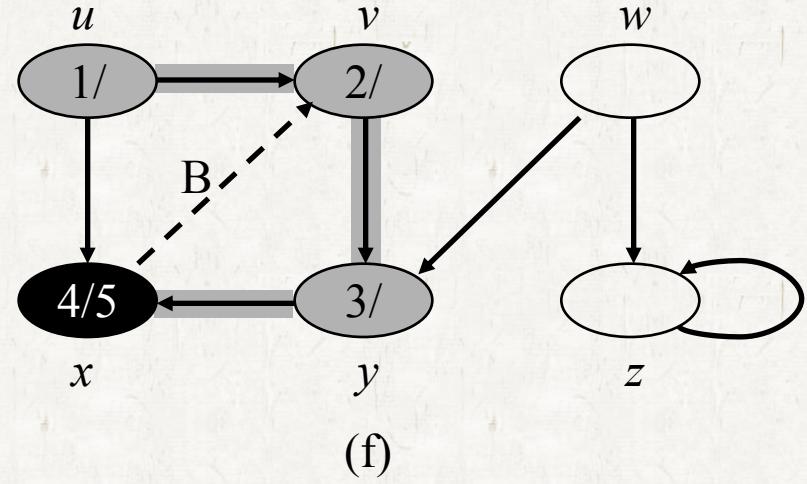
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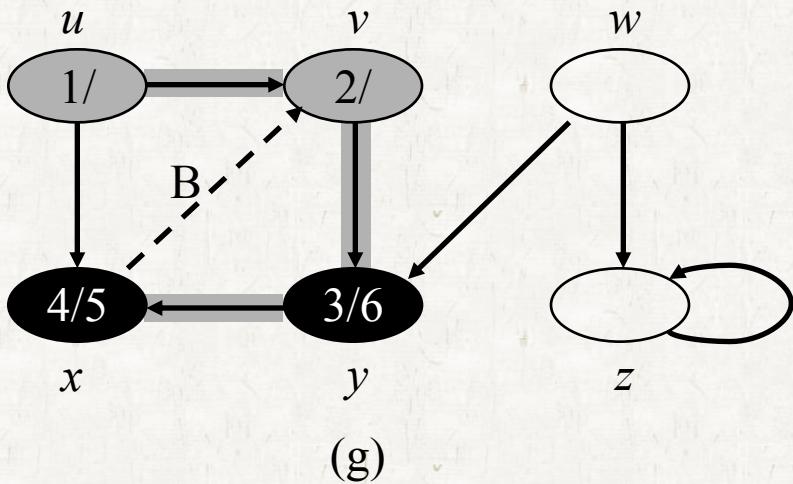
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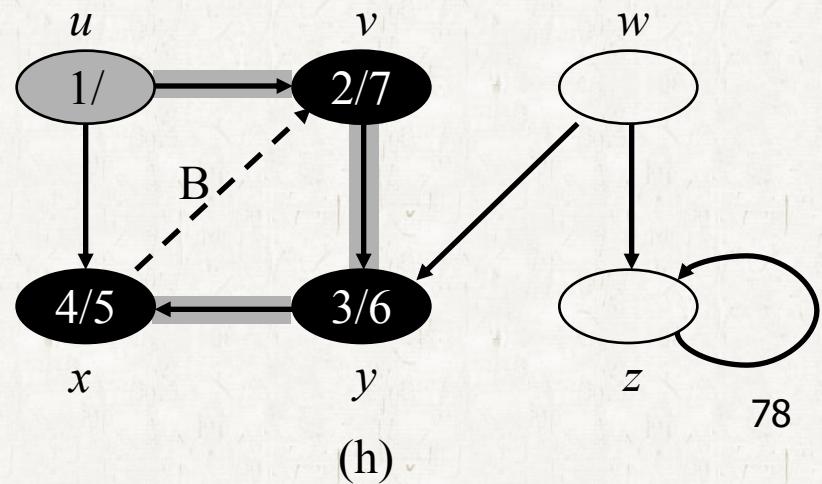
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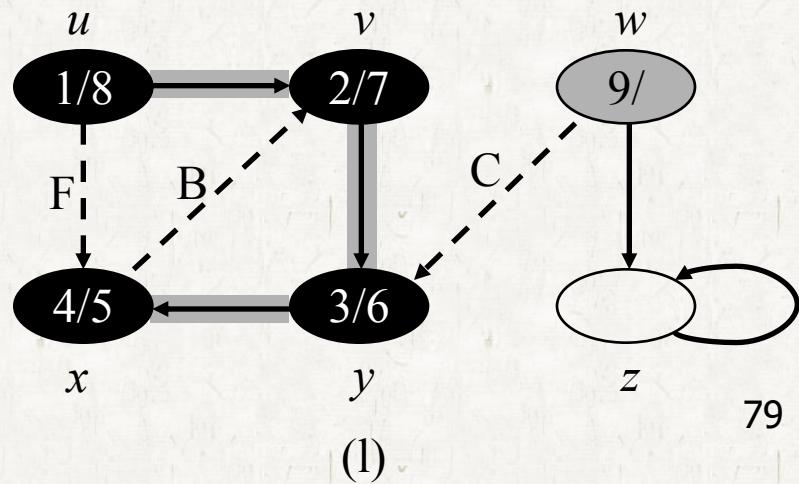
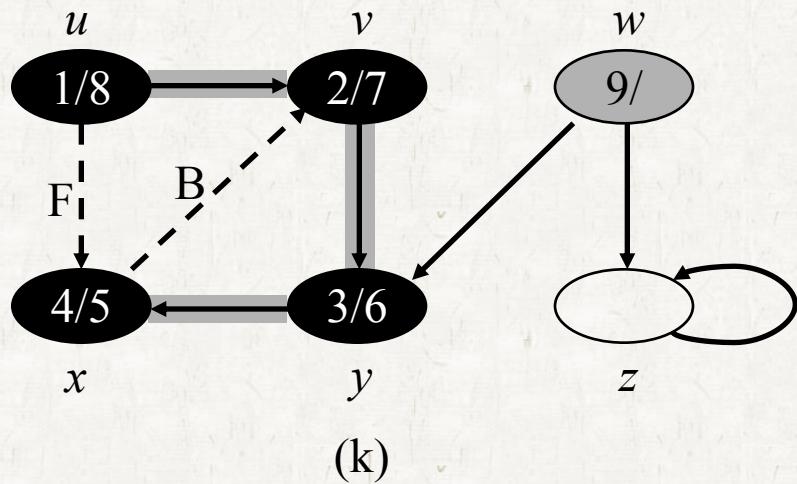
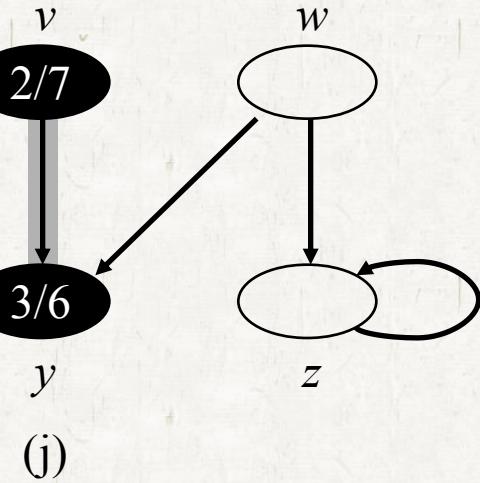
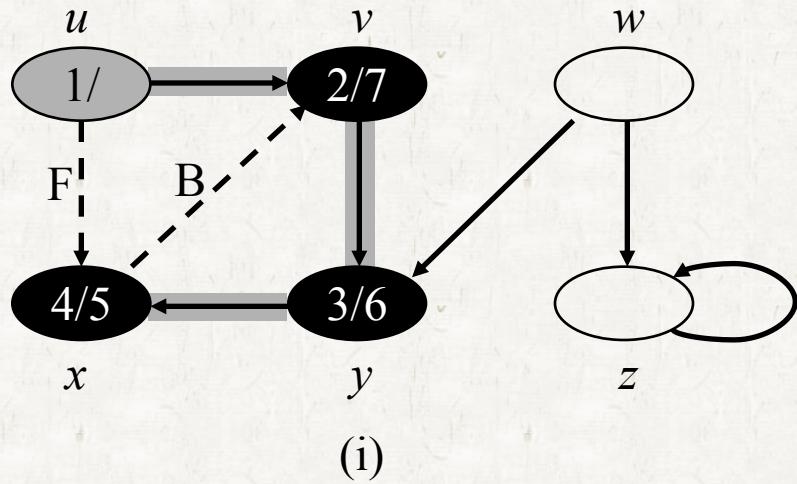


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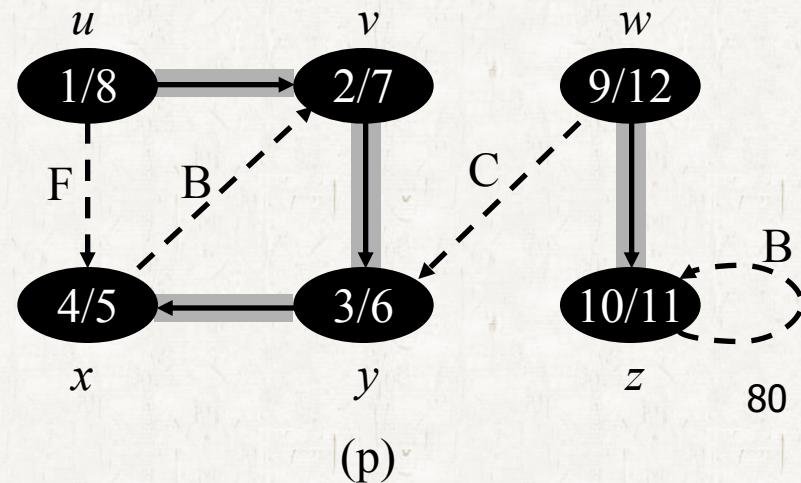
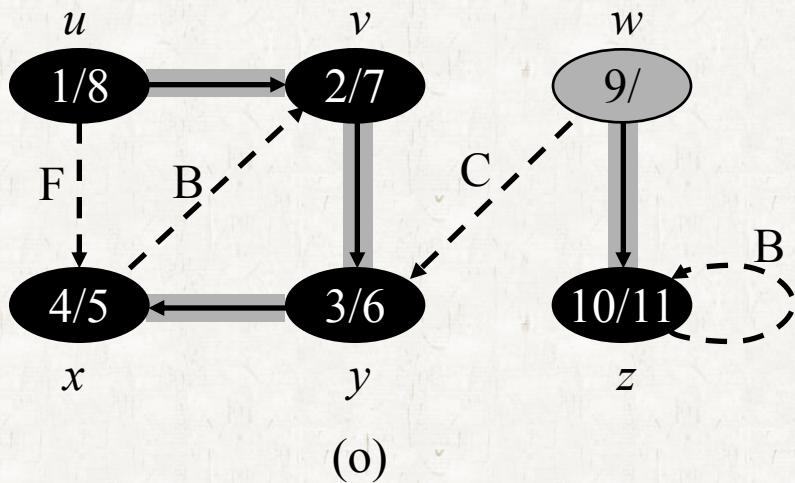
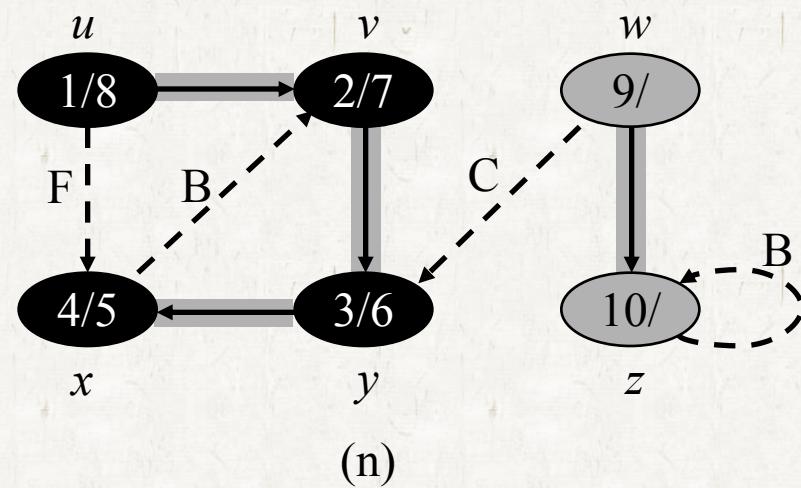
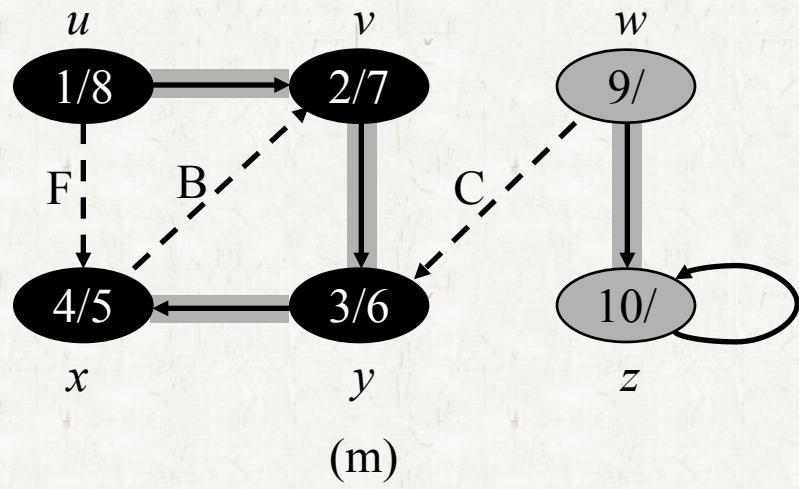


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# Depth-first search



# Depth-first search



# Depth-first search

- In a depth-first search of an *undirected graph*, every edge of G is either a *tree edge* or a *back edge*.
  - Forward edge?
  - Cross edge?
- Running Time
  - $\Theta(V+E)$

# Self-study

- **Exercise 22.3-5 (22.3-4 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.)**
  - Edge classification
- **Problem 22-2 a-d**
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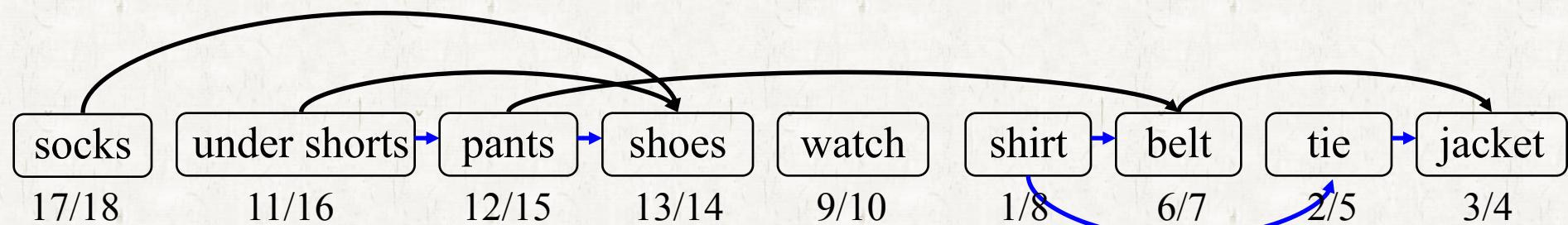
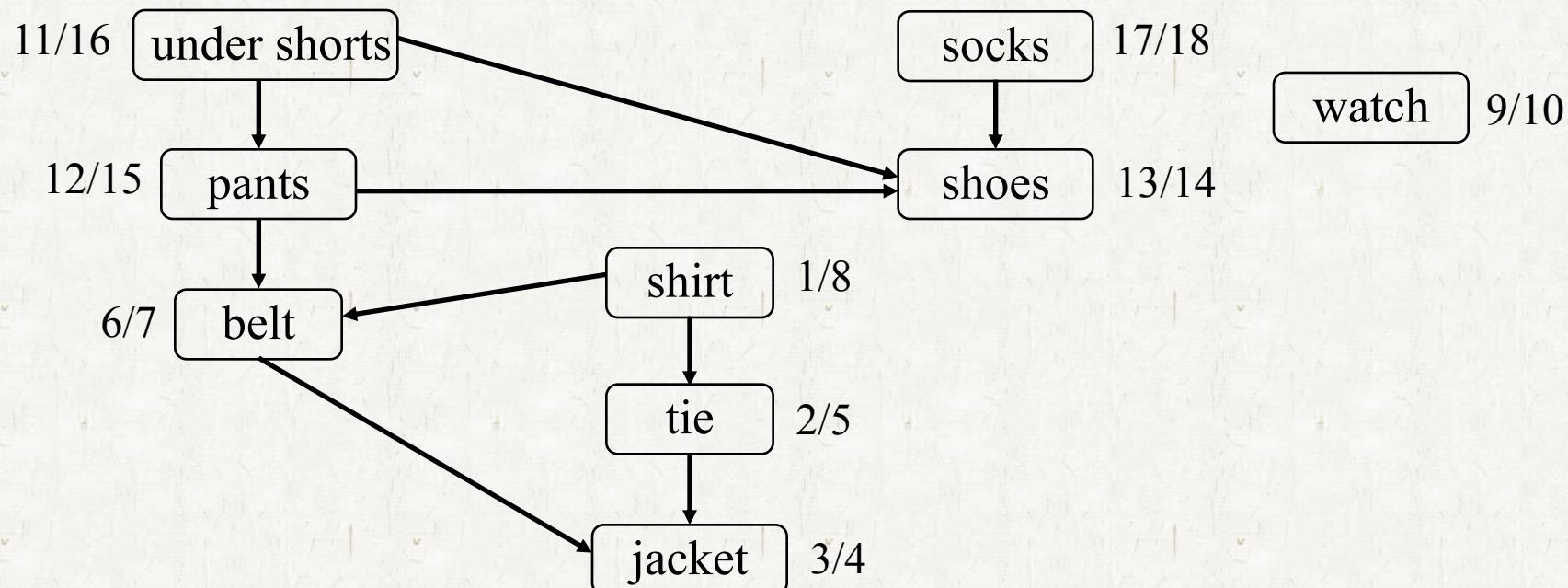
- Topological sort

# Topological sort

## • *Definition*

- Given a DAG (directed acyclic graph), generate a linear ordering of all its vertices such that all edges go from left to right.

# Topological sort



# Topological sort

## • *Main ideas*

- Successively place a node from the *left* with **0 in-degree**.
- Successively place a node from the *right* with **0 out-degree**.
- Run DFS on G and place the nodes from the *right* in the *increasing order of the finishing time*.
- $\Theta(V+E)$  time

# Topological sort

## • *Correctness*

- If there is an edge from  $u$  to  $v$ , then  $v.f < u.f$ .
- When edge  $(u, v)$  is first explored, the color of the vertex  $v$  is either white or black – it can't be gray.
- Lemma: A directed graph  $G$  is *acyclic* if and only if a depth-first search of  $G$  yields ***no back edges***.

# Self-study

## Exercise 22.4-2

- Computing the number of simple paths from  $s$  to  $t$  in linear time.

## Exercise 22.4-3

- Cycle detection in an undirected graph.

## Exercise 22.4-5

- Another topological sort algorithm.