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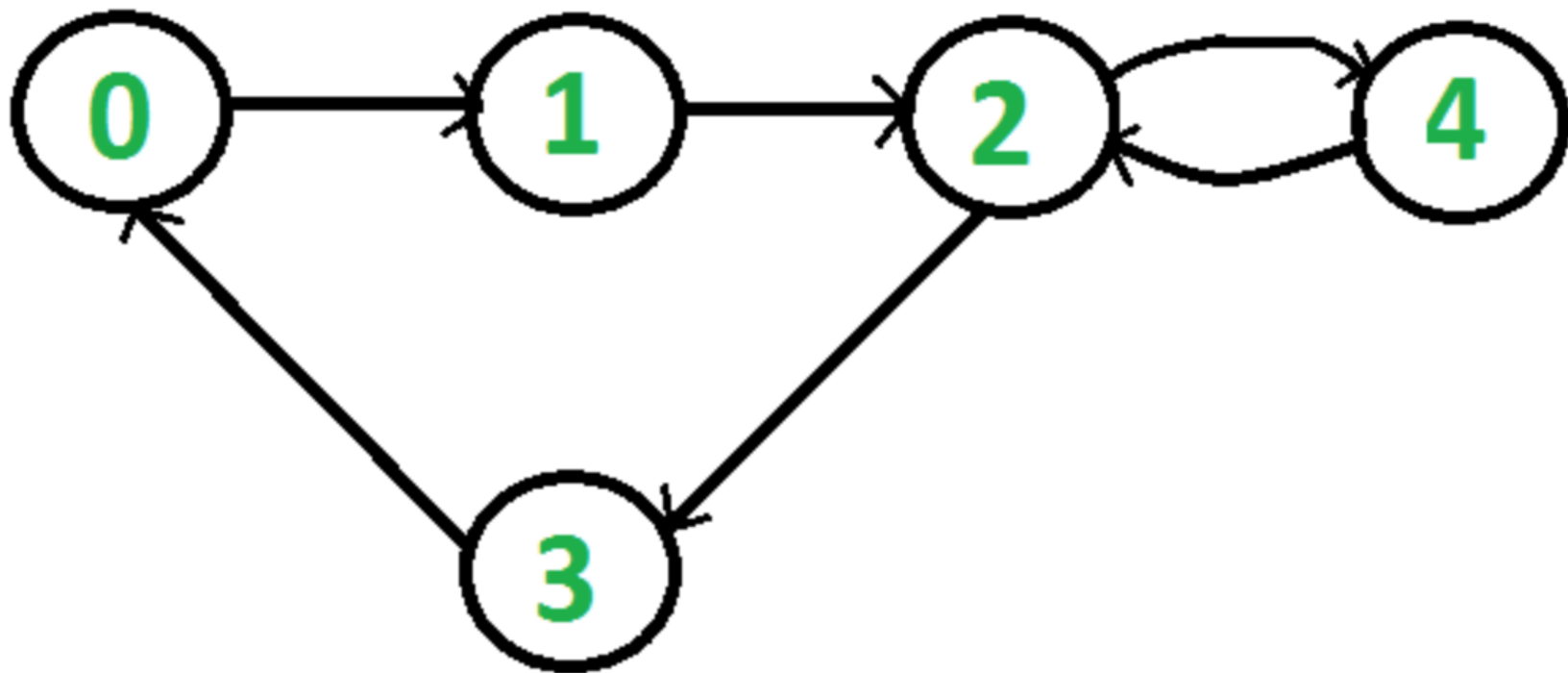
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Detect Cycle in a Directed Graph (Part 2)

Given a directed graph, check whether the graph contains a cycle or not. Your function should return true if the given graph contains at least one cycle, else return false. For example, the following graph contains two cycles $0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 0$ and $2 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 2$, so your function must return true.



We have discussed a DFS based solution to detect cycle in a directed graph. In this post, BFS based solution is discussed.

The idea is to simply use Kahn's algorithm for Topological Sorting

Steps involved in detecting cycle in a directed graph using BFS.

Step-1: Compute in-degree (number of incoming edges) for each of the vertex present in the graph and initialize the count of visited nodes as 0.

Step-2: Pick all the vertices with in-degree as 0 and add them into a queue (Enqueue operation)

Step-3: Remove a vertex from the queue (Dequeue operation) and then.

1. Increment count of visited nodes by 1.
2. Decrease in-degree by 1 for all its neighboring nodes.
3. If in-degree of a neighboring nodes is reduced to zero, then add it to the queue.

Step 4: Repeat Step 3 until the queue is empty.

Step 5: If count of visited nodes is **not** equal to the number of nodes in the graph has cycle, otherwise not.

How to find in-degree of each node?

There are 2 ways to calculate in-degree of every vertex:

Take an in-degree array which will keep track of

1) Traverse the array of edges and simply increase the counter of the destination node by 1.

for each node in Nodes

indegree[node] = 0;

for each edge(src,dest) in Edges

indegree[dest]++

Time Complexity: $O(V+E)$

2) Traverse the list for every node and then increment the in-degree of all the nodes connected to it by 1.

for each node in Nodes

If (list[node].size() != 0) then



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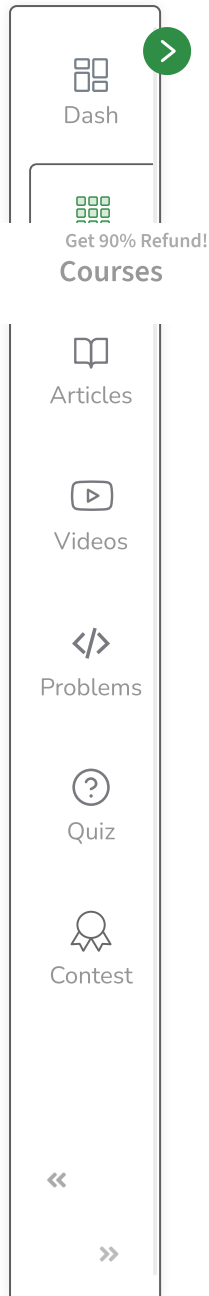
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for each dest in list
    indegree[dest]++;
```

Time Complexity: The outer for loop will be executed V number of times and the inner for loop will be executed E number of times, Thus overall time complexity is $O(V+E)$.

The overall time complexity of the algorithm is $O(V+E)$



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```
// Java program to check if there is a cycle in
// directed graph using BFS.
```



```
import java.io.*;
import java.util.*;
```

```
class GFG
```

```
{
```

```
// Class to represent a graph
```

```
static class Graph
```

```
{
```

```
    int V; // No. of vertices'
```

```
// Pointer to an array containing adjacency list
```

```
Vector<Integer>[] adj;
```

```
@SuppressWarnings("unchecked")
```

```
Graph(int V)
```

```
{
```

```
    // Constructor
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```
    this.V = V;
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```
    this.adj = new Vector[V];
```

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    for (int i = 0; i < V; i++)
```

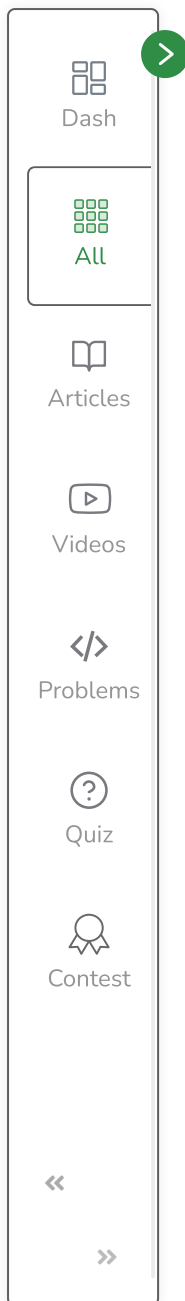
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        adj[i] = new Vector<>();
```

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}
```

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// function to add an edge to graph
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```
void addEdge(int u, int v)
{
    adj[u].add(v);
}

// Returns true if there is a cycle in the graph
// else false.

// This function returns true if there is a cycle
// in directed graph, else returns false.
boolean isCycle()
{
    // Create a vector to store indegrees of all
    // vertices. Initialize all indegrees as 0.
    int[] in_degree = new int[this.V];
    Arrays.fill(in_degree, 0);

    // Traverse adjacency lists to fill indegrees of
    // vertices. This step takes O(V+E) time
    for (int u = 0; u < V; u++)
    {
        for (int v : adj[u])
            in_degree[v]++;
    }

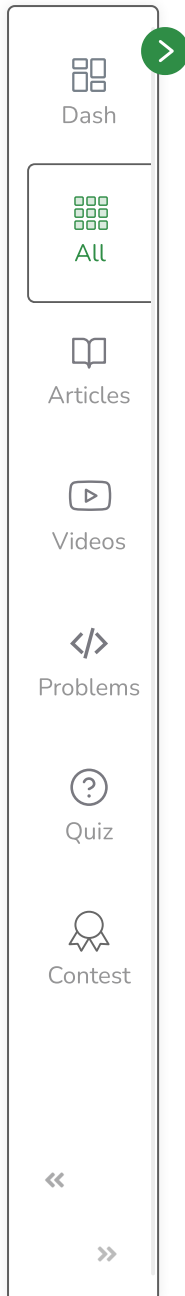
    // Create an queue and enqueue all vertices with
    // indegree 0
    Queue<Integer> q = new LinkedList<Integer>();
    for (int i = 0; i < V; i++)
        if (in_degree[i] == 0)
            q.add(i);

    // Initialize count of visited vertices
    int cnt = 0;

    // Create a vector to store result (A topological
    // ordering of the vertices)
    Vector<Integer> top_order = new Vector<>();

    // One by one dequeue vertices from queue and enqueue
```





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// adjacent if indegree of adjacent becomes 0
while (!q.isEmpty())
{
    // Extract front of queue (or perform dequeue)
    // and add it to topological order
    int u = q.poll();
    top_order.add(u);

    // Iterate through all its neighbouring nodes
    // of dequeued node u and decrease their in-degree
    // by 1
    for (int itr : adj[u])
        if (--in_degree[itr] == 0)
            q.add(itr);

    cnt++;
}

// Check if there was a cycle
if (cnt != this.V)
    return true;
else
    return false;
}

}

// Driver Code
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    // Create a graph given in the above diagram
    Graph g = new Graph(6);
    g.addEdge(0, 1);
    g.addEdge(1, 2);
    g.addEdge(2, 0);
    g.addEdge(3, 4);
    g.addEdge(4, 5);

    if (g.isCycle())
        System.out.println("Yes");
    else
```



```
        System.out.println("No");  
    }  
}
```

```
// This code is contributed by  
// sanjeev2552
```

Output:

Yes

Time Complexity: $O(V+E)$ **Auxiliary Space:** $O(V)$ **Mark as Read** [Report An Issue](#)

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