

ACM Lab – HS 2015

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- Traverse graph into depth
- Similar to backtracking
- Important as subroutine for topological sorting, to find cut vertices, cut edges, or strongly connected components...

- Traverse graph into breadth
- Compute shortest distance in unweighted graph...