



# CSE 2203

DFS

# Last Class's Topic

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- Graph Representation
  - Adjacency Matrix
  - Adjacency List
- BFS – Breadth First Search

# Breadth-First Search: The Code

**Data:** color[V], prev[V], d[V]

```
BFS(G) // starts from here
{
    for each vertex  $u \in V - \{s\}$ 
    {
        color[u]=WHITE;
        prev[u]=NIL;
        d[u]=inf;
    }
    color[s]=GRAY;
    d[s]=0; prev[s]=NIL;
    Q=empty;
    ENQUEUE(Q, s);
```

```
    while(Q not empty)
    {
        u = DEQUEUE(Q);
        for each  $v \in \text{adj}[u]$ 
        {
            if (color[v] == WHITE){
                color[v] = GRAY;
                d[v] = d[u] + 1;
                prev[v] = u;
                Enqueue(Q, v);
            }
        }
        color[u] = BLACK;
    }
}
```

# Breadth-First Search: Print Path

**Data:** color[V], prev[V], d[V]

```
Print-Path(G, s, v)
{
    if(v==s)
        print(s)
    else if(prev[v]==NIL)
        print(No path);
    else{
        Print-Path(G, s, prev[v]);
        print(v);
    }
}
```

# BFS – Questions

- Find the shortest path between “A” and “B” (with path)? When will it fail?
- Find the most distant node from start node “A”
- How can we detect that there exists no path between A and B using BFS?
- Print all of those nodes that are at distance 2 from source vertex “S”.
- How can we modify BFS algorithm to check the bipartiteness of a graph?
- Is it possible to answer that there exists more than one path from “S” to “T” with minimum path cost?

# Depth-First Search

- **Input:**

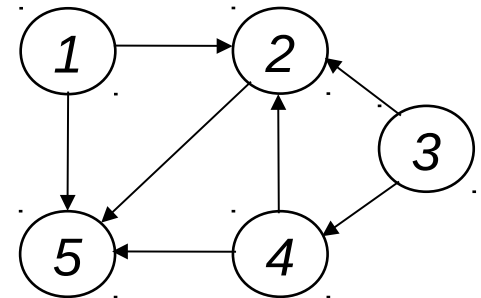
- $G = (V, E)$  (No source vertex given!)

- **Goal:**

- Explore the edges of  $G$  to “discover” every vertex in  $V$  starting at the **most current visited** node
- Search may be repeated from **multiple sources**

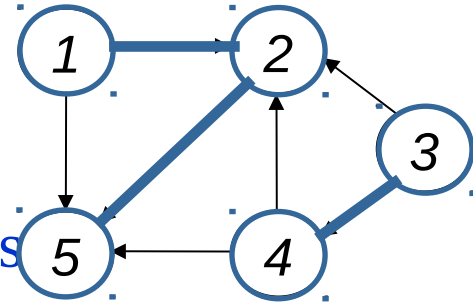
- **Output:**

- 2 **timestamps** on each vertex:
  - $d[v]$  = discovery time
  - $f[v]$  = finishing time (done with examining  $v$ 's adjacency list)
- Depth-first forest



# Depth-First Search

- Search “**deeper**” in the graph whenever possible
- Edges are **explored out** of the most recently discovered vertex  $v$  that **still has unexplored edges**

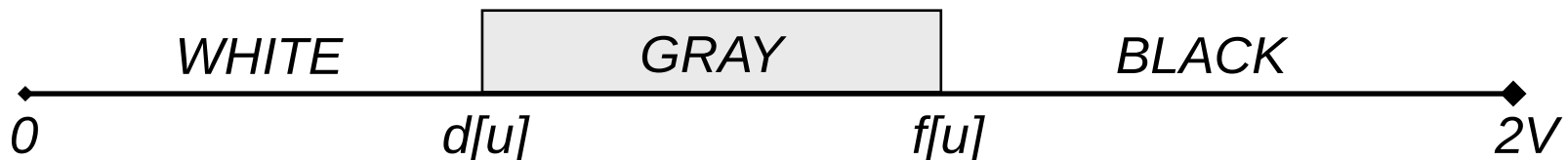


- *After all edges of  $v$  have been explored, the search “**backtracks**” from the parent of  $v$*
- *The process continues until all vertices **reachable** from the original source have been discovered*
- *If undiscovered vertices remain, choose one of them as a **new source** and repeat the search from that vertex*
- *DFS creates a “depth-first forest”*

# DFS Additional Data Structures

- Global variable: **time-stamp**
  - Incremented when nodes are discovered **or** finished
- **color[u]** – similar to BFS
  - White before **discovery**, gray while processing and black when **finished** processing
- **prev[u]** – predecessor of u
- **d[u], f[u]** – discovery and finish times

$$1 \leq d[u] < f[u] \leq 2|V|$$





# Depth-First Search: The Code

```
Data: color[V], time,  
        prev[V], d[V], f[V]  
DFS(G) // where prog starts  
{  
    Initialize  
    for each vertex  $u \in V$   
    {  
        color[u] = WHITE;  
        prev[u]=NIL;  
        f[u]=inf; d[u]=inf;  
    }  
    time = 0;  
    for each vertex  $u \in V$   
        if (color[u] == WHITE)  
            DFS_Visit(u);  
}
```

```
DFS_Visit(u)  
{  
    color[u] = GREY;  
    time = time+1;  
    d[u] = time;  
    for each  $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$   
    {  
        if(color[v] == WHITE){  
            prev[v]=u;  
            DFS_Visit(v);}  
    }  
    color[u] = BLACK;  
    time = time+1;  
    f[u] = time;  
}
```

# Depth-First Search: The Code

```
Data: color[V], time,  
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DFS(G) // where prog starts  
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        color[u] = WHITE;  
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        f[u]=inf; d[u]=inf;  
    }  
    time = 0;  
    for each vertex  $u \in V$   
        if (color[u] == WHITE)  
            DFS_Visit(u);  
}
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    {  
        if(color[v] == WHITE){  
            prev[v]=u;  
            DFS_Visit(v);  
        }  
    }  
    color[u] = BLACK;  
    time = time+1;  
    f[u] = time;  
}
```

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        f[u]=inf; d[u]=inf;  
    }  
    time = 0;  
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            DFS_Visit(u);  
}
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DFS_Visit(u)  
{  
    color[u] = GREY;  
    time = time+1;  
    d[u] = time;  
    for each  $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$   
    {  
        if(color[v] == WHITE){  
            prev[v]=u;  
            DFS_Visit(v);}  
    }  
    color[u] = BLACK;  
    time = time+1;  
    f[u] = time;  
}
```

# Depth-First Search: The Code

**Data:** color[V], time,  
prev[V], d[V], f[V]

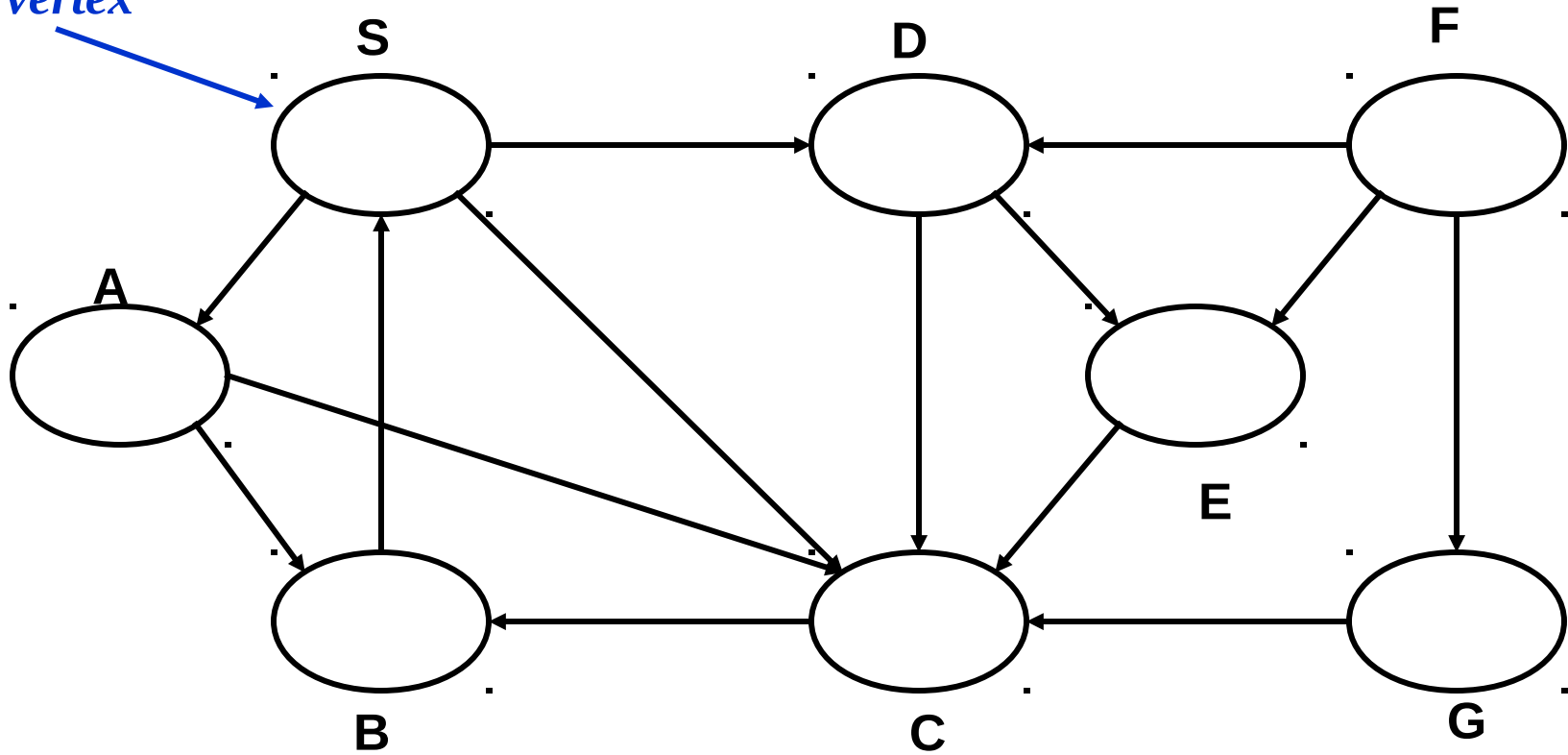
```
DFS(G) // where prog starts
{
    for each vertex u ∈ V
    {
        color[u] = WHITE;
        prev[u]=NIL;
        f[u]=inf; d[u]=inf;
    }
    time = 0;
    for each vertex u ∈ V
        if (color[u] == WHITE)
            DFS_Visit(u);
}
```

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DFS_Visit(u)
{
    color[u] = GREY;
    time = time+1;
    d[u] = time;
    for each v ∈ Adj[u]
    {
        if(color[v] == WHITE){
            prev[v]=u;
            DFS_Visit(v);
        }
    }
    color[u] = BLACK;
    time = time+1;
    f[u] = time;
}
```

*Will all vertices eventually be colored black?*

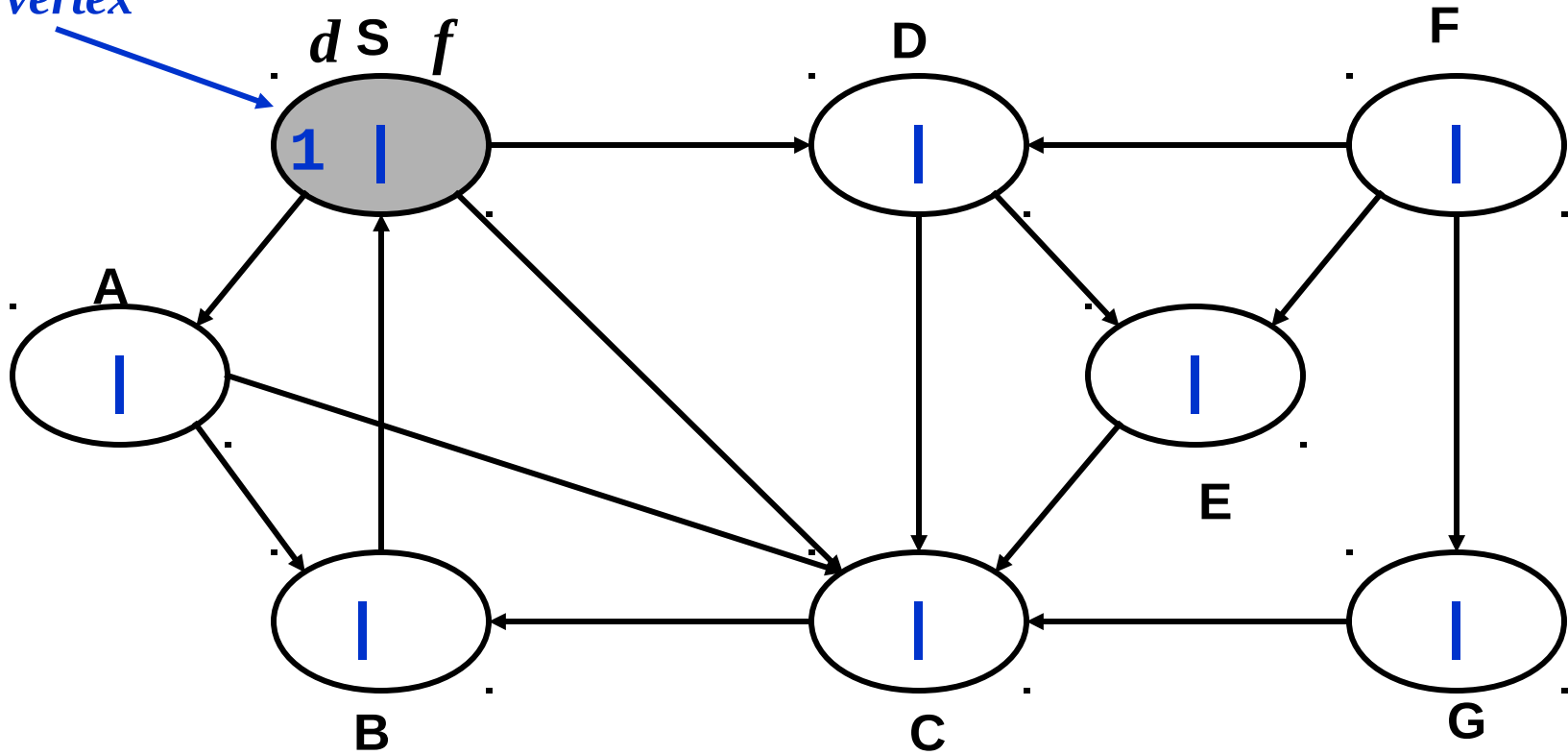
# DFS Example

source  
vertex



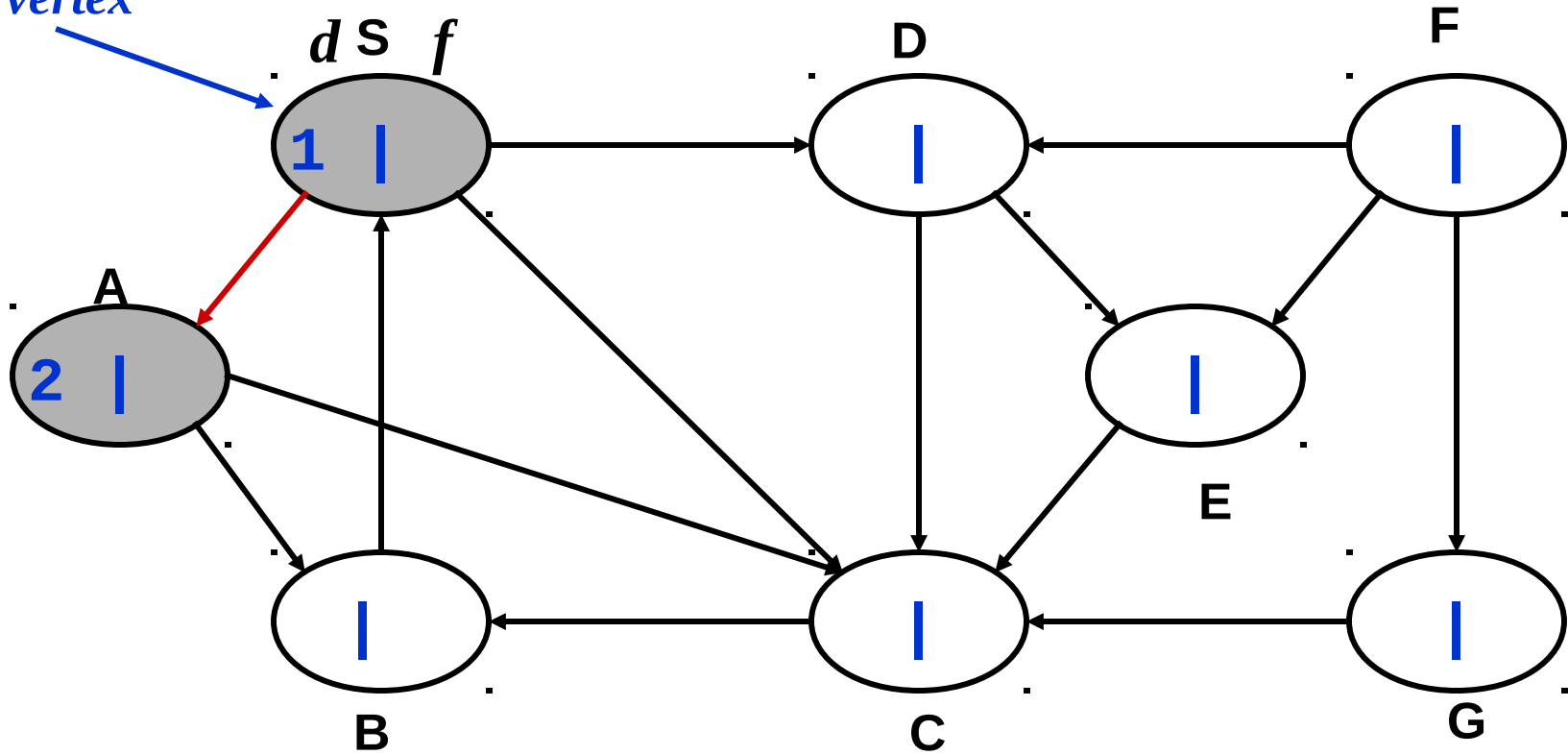
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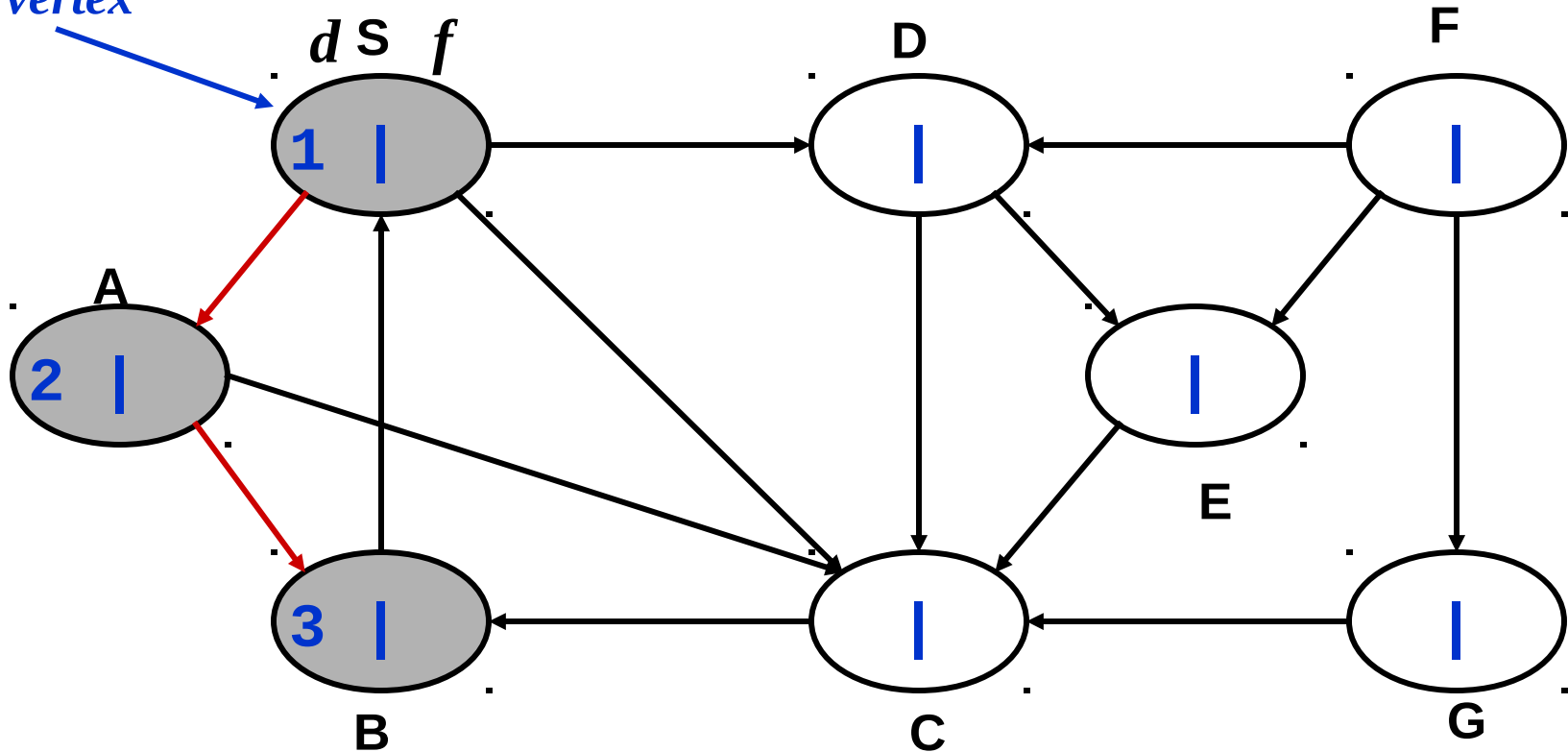
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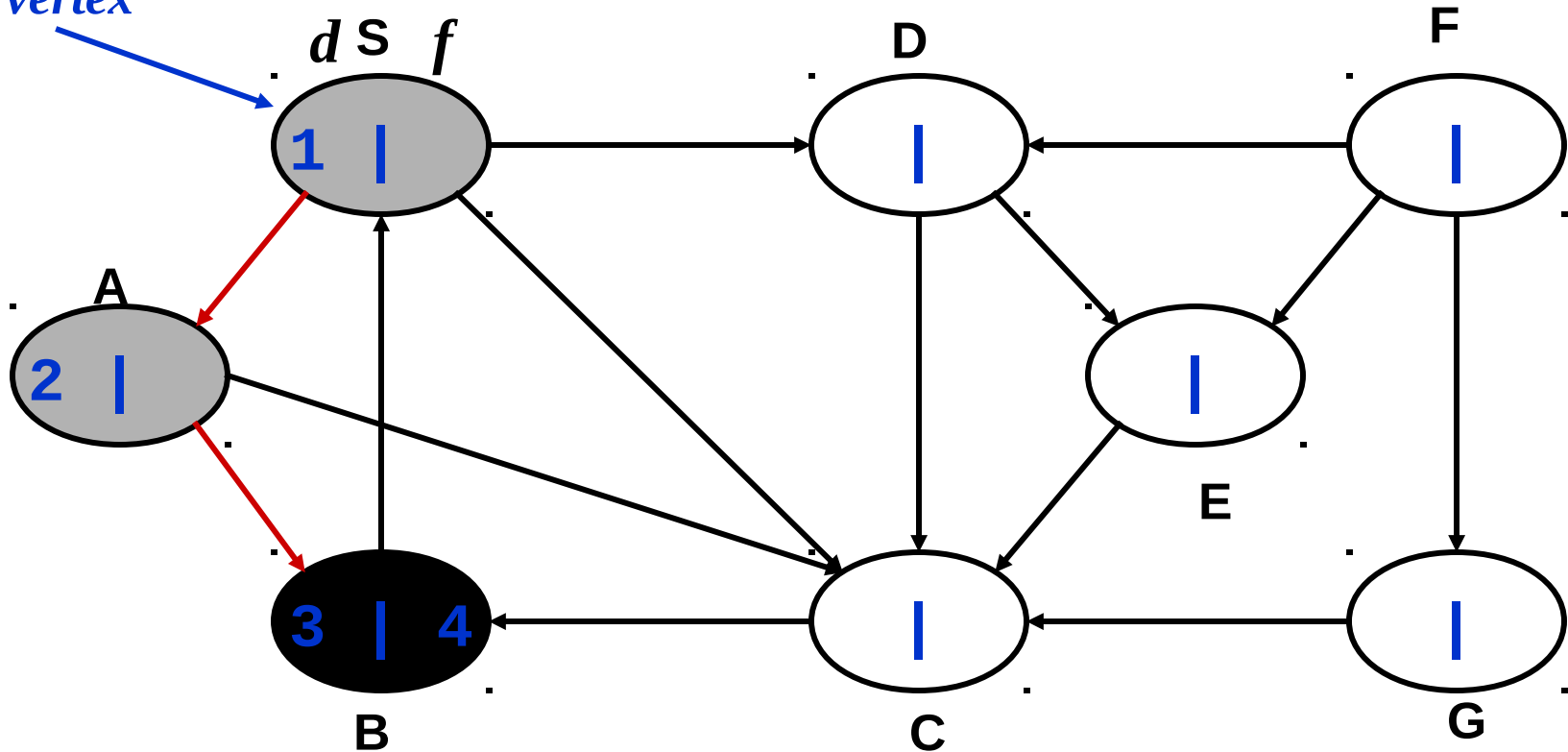
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vertex





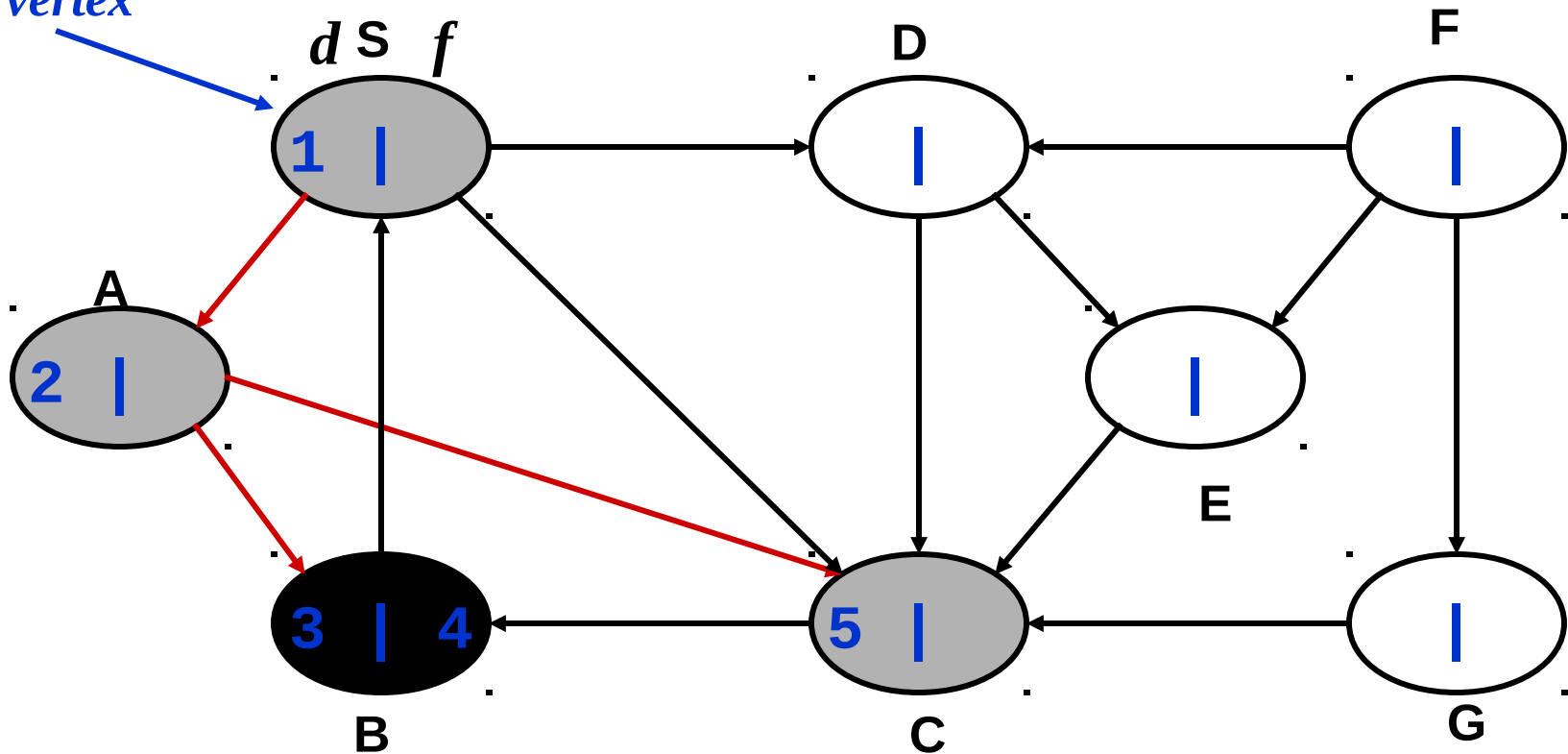
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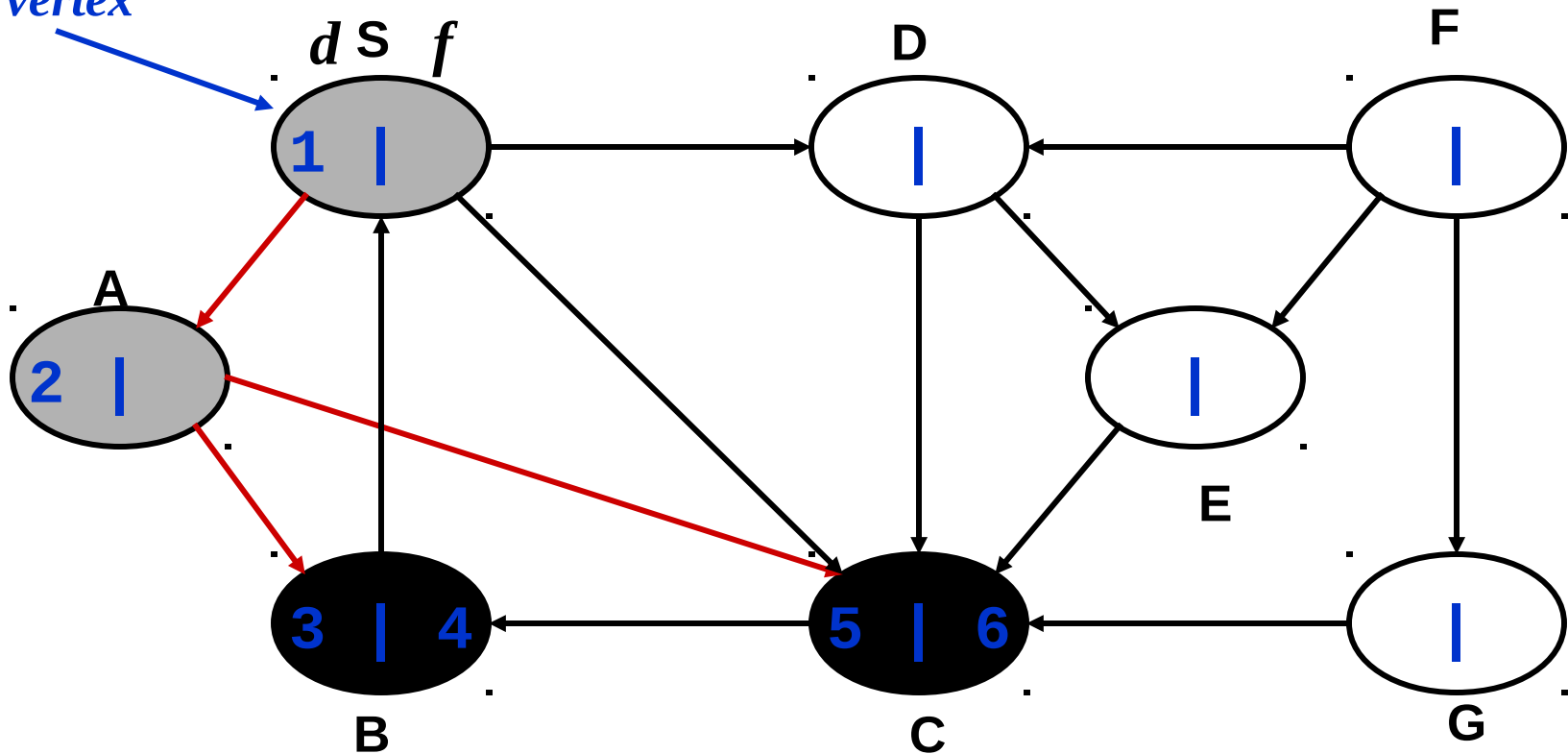
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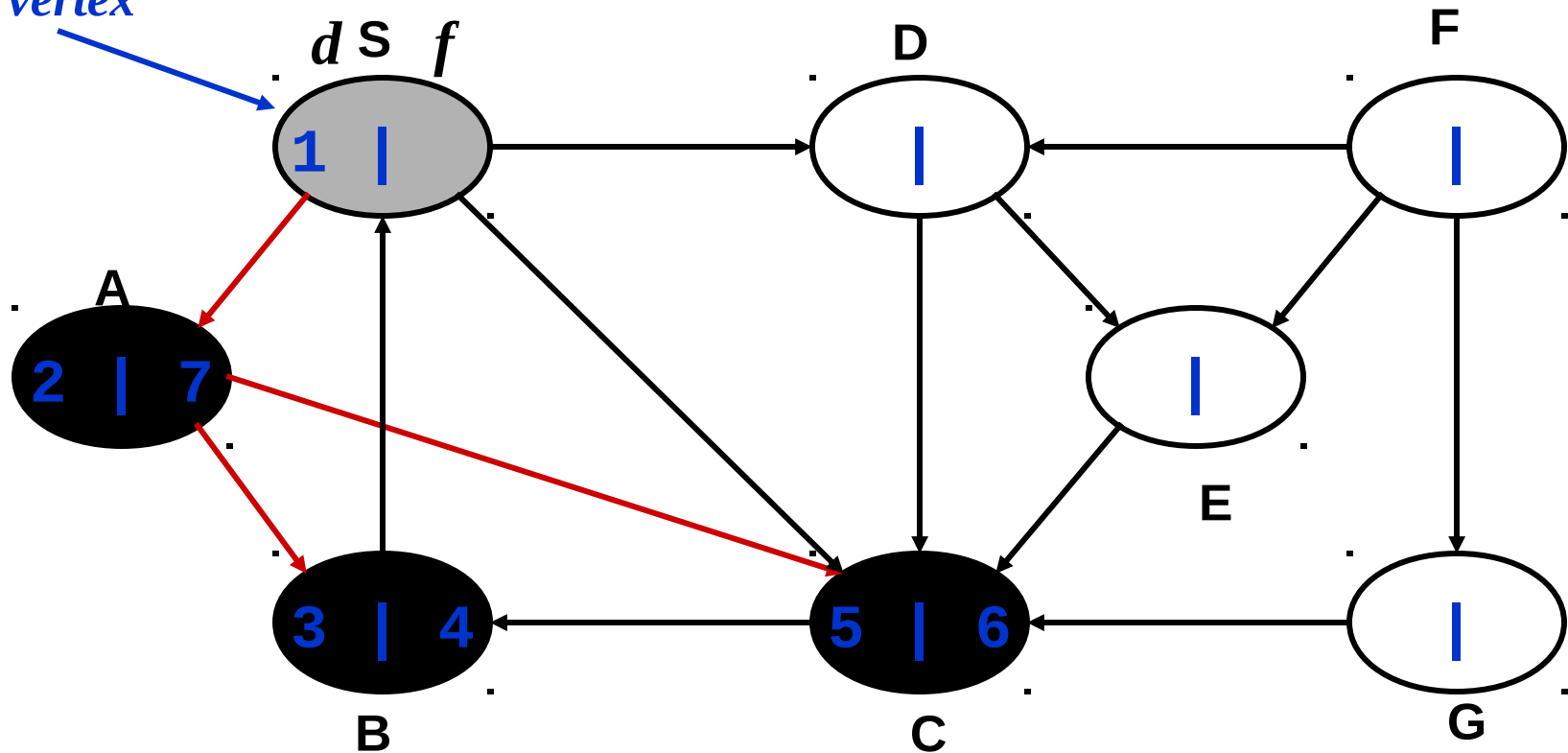
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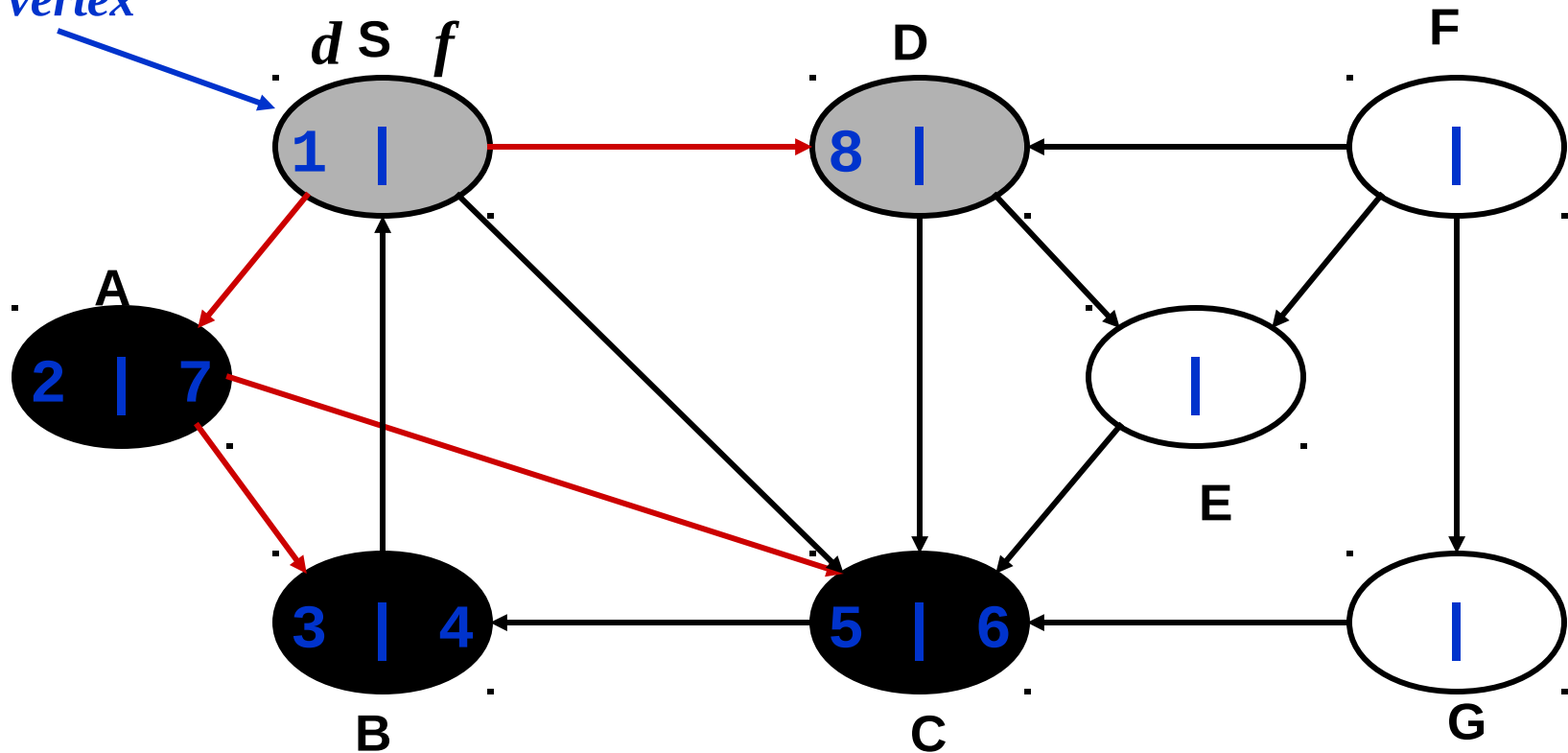
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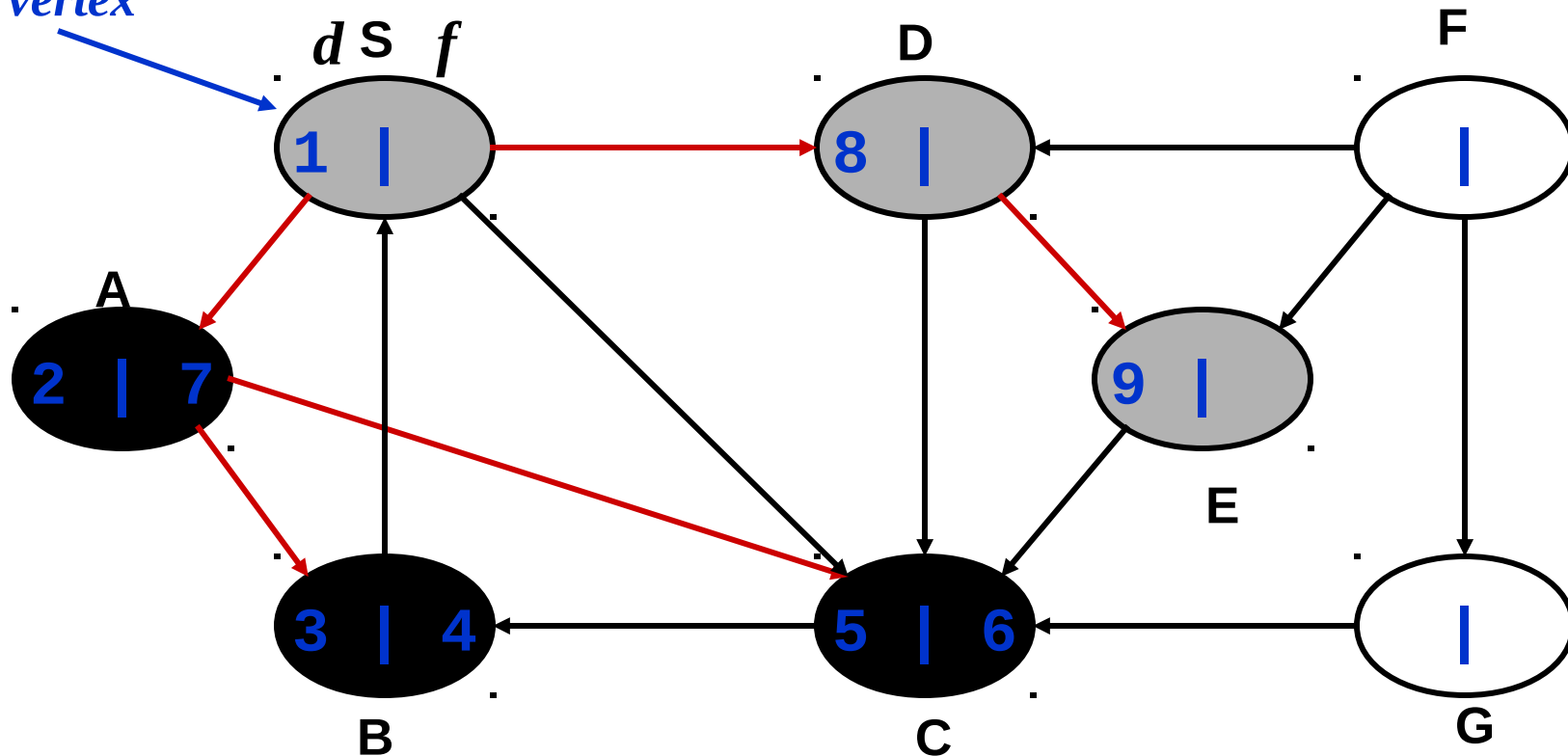
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source  
vertex



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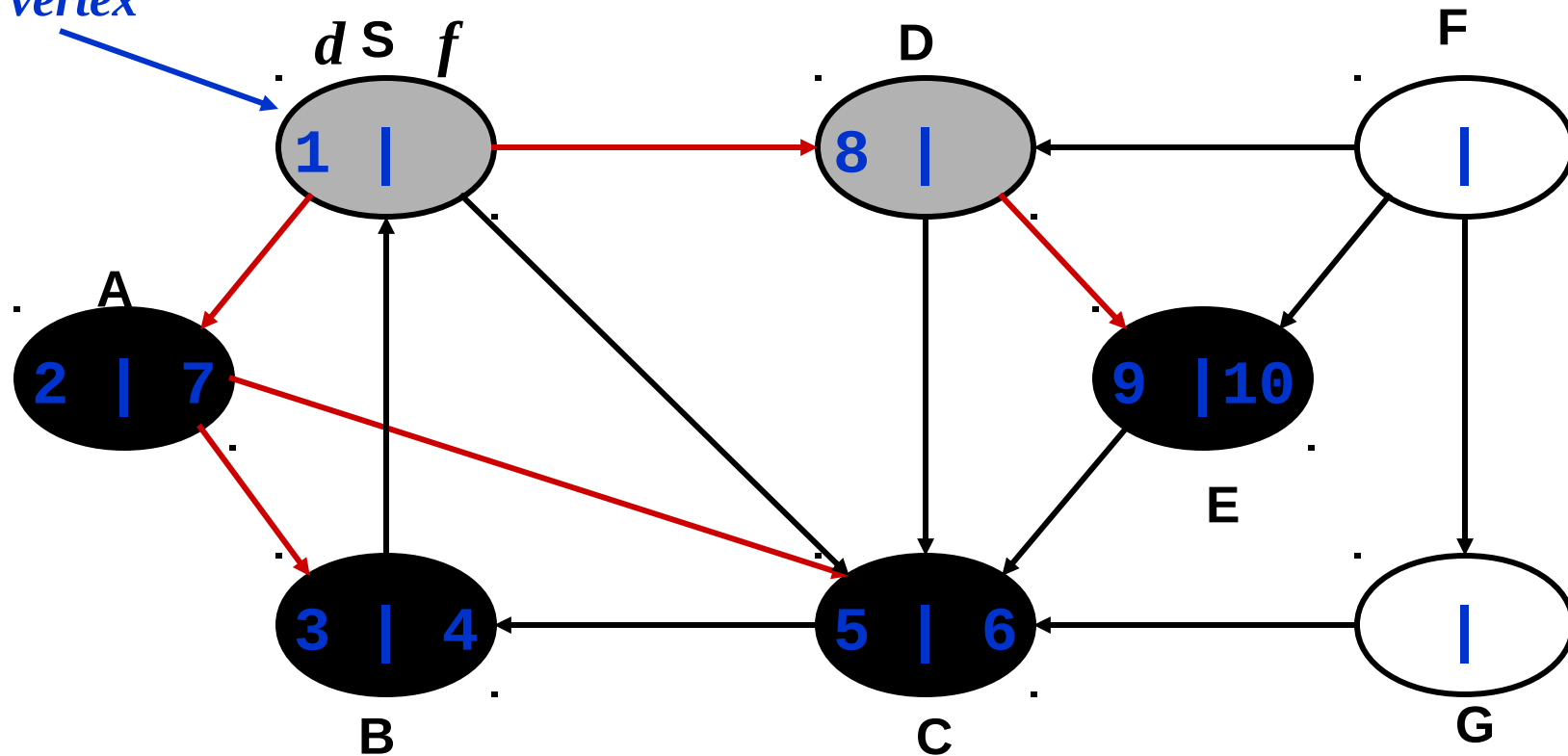
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vertex



*What is the structure of the grey vertices?  
What do they represent?*

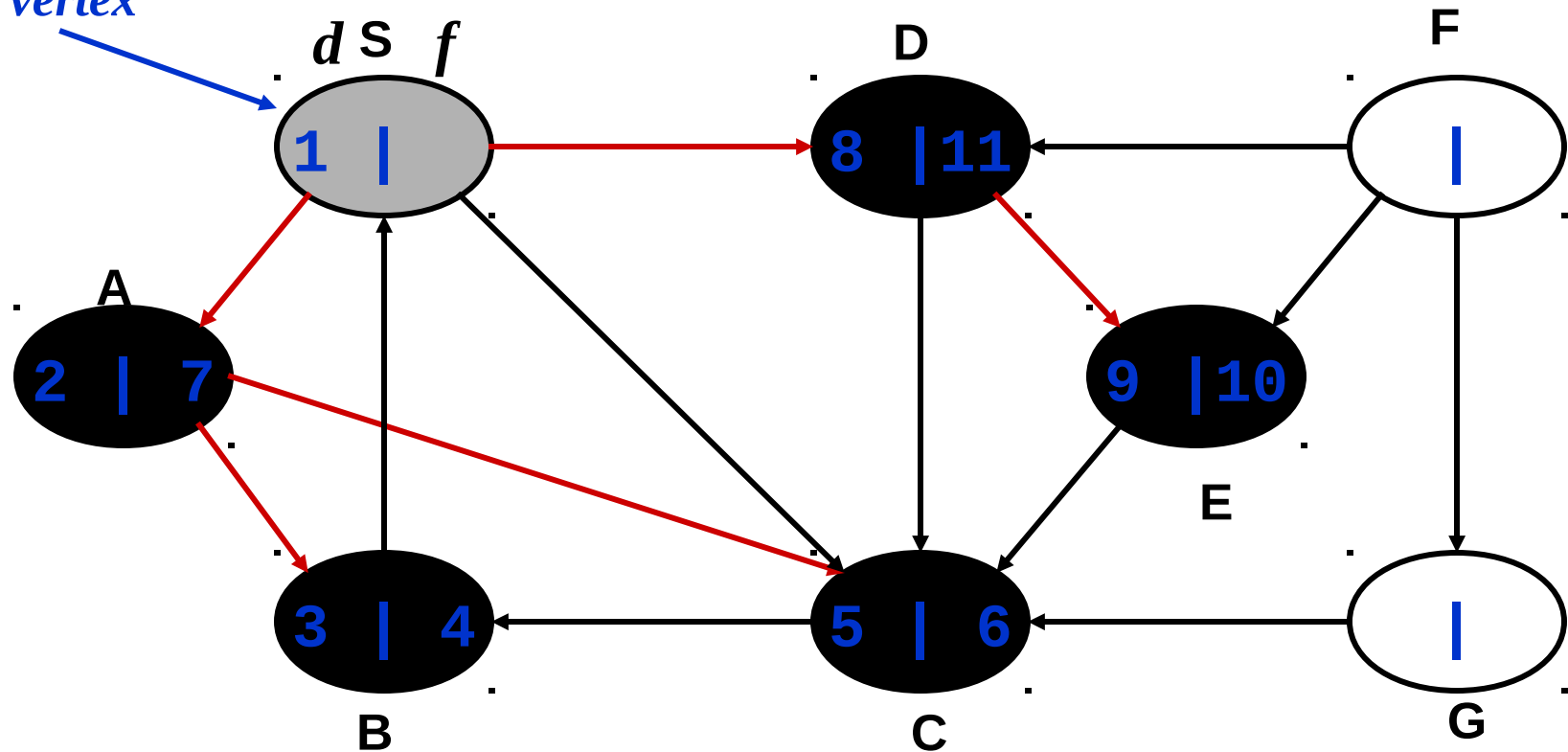
# DFS Example

source  
vertex



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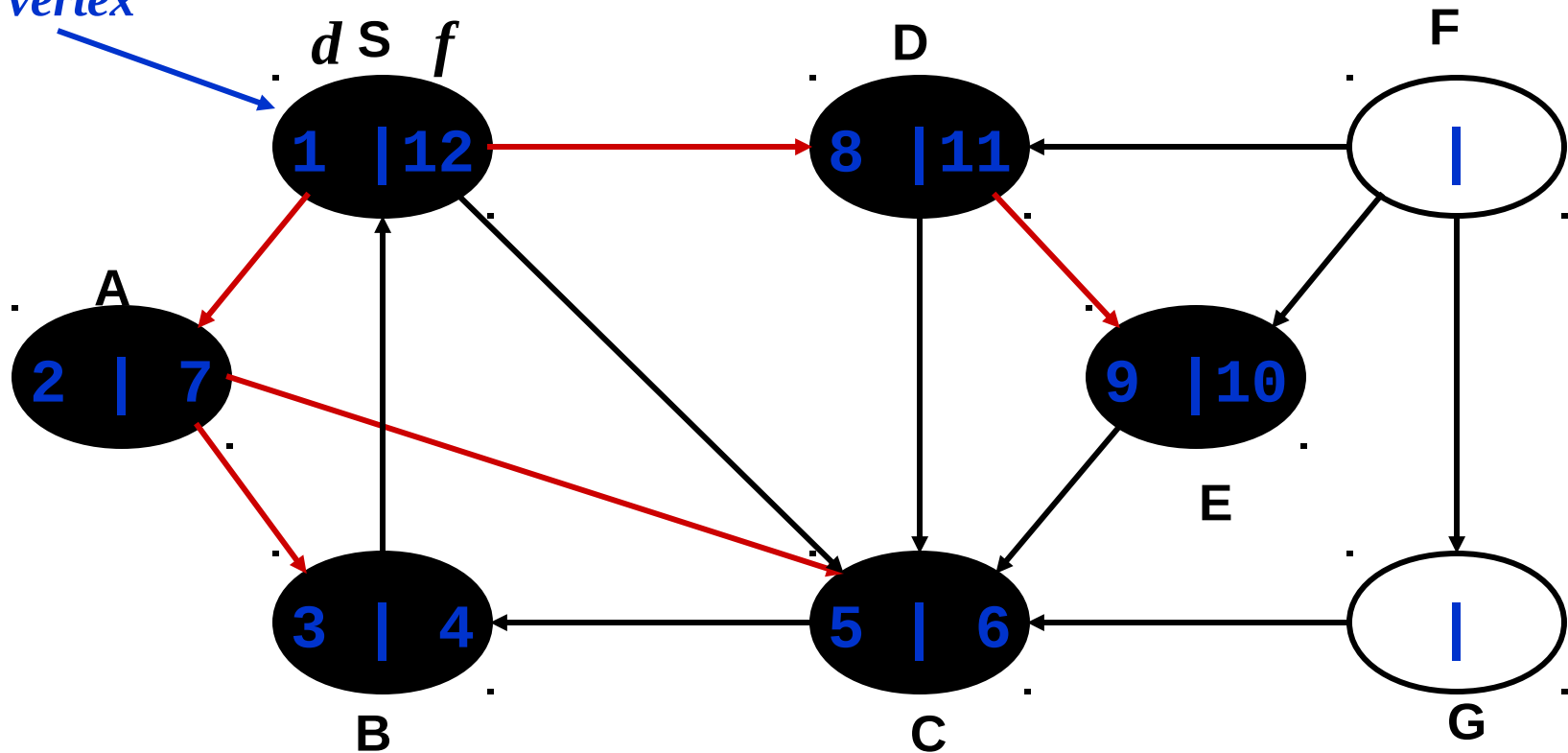
source  
vertex





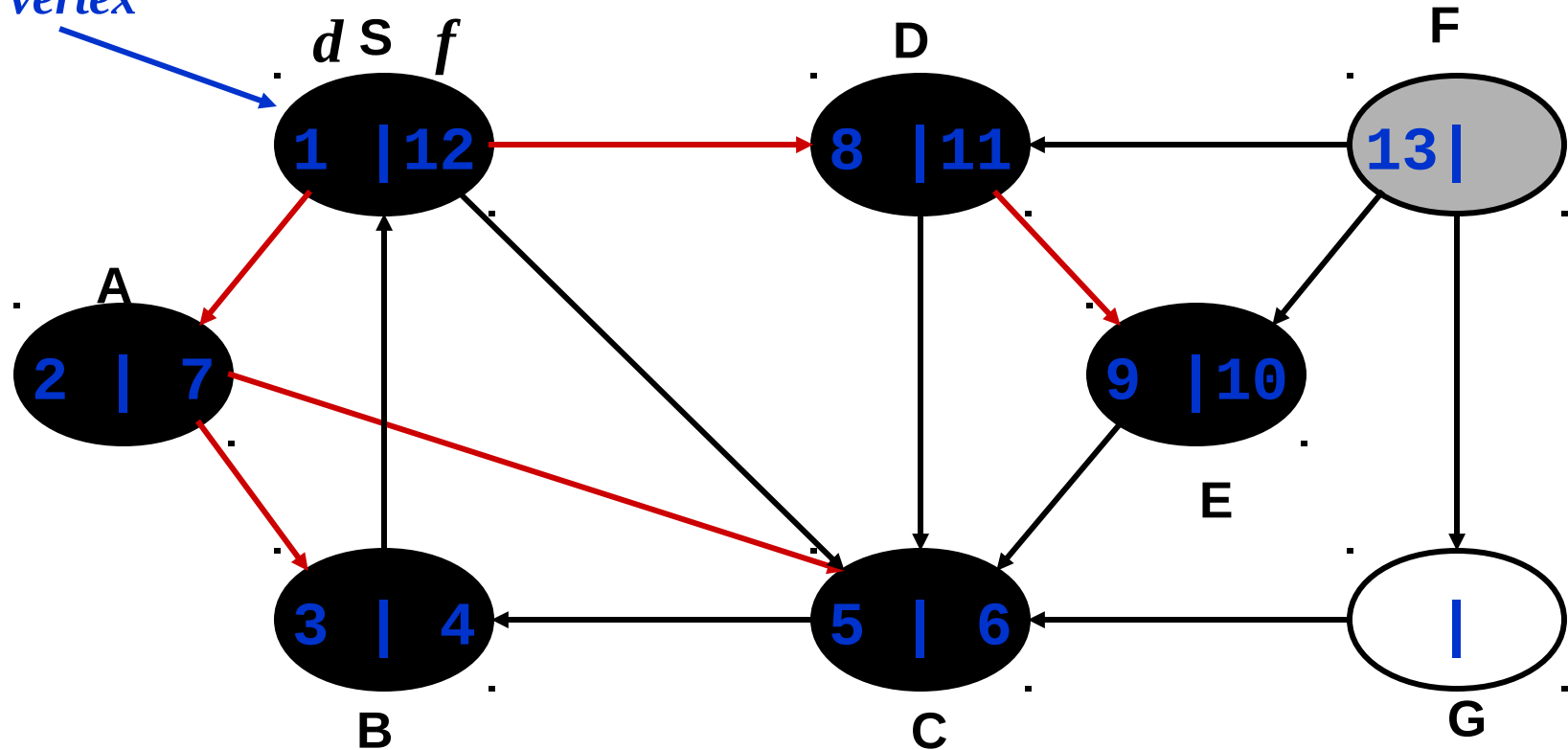
# DFS Example

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vertex



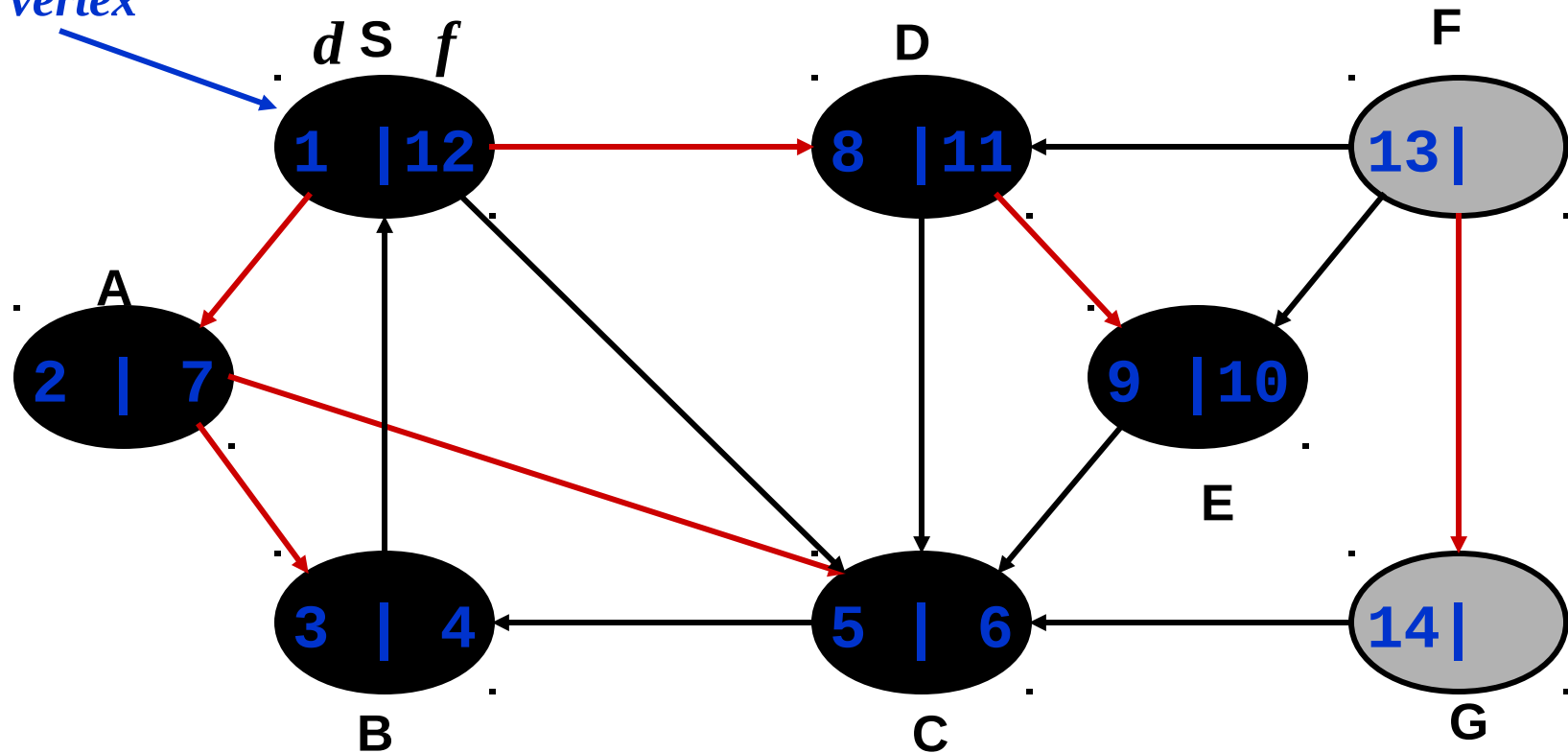
# DFS Example

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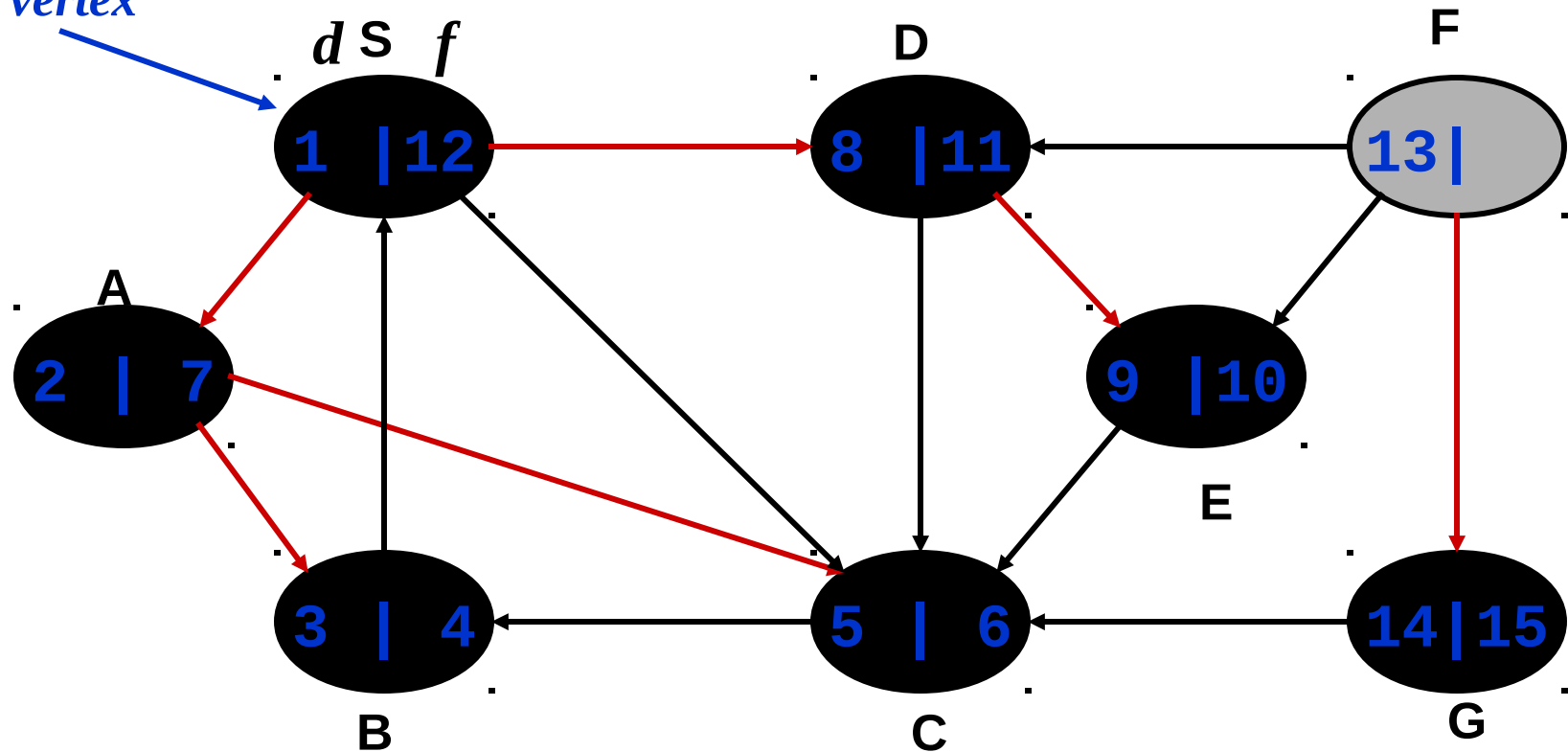
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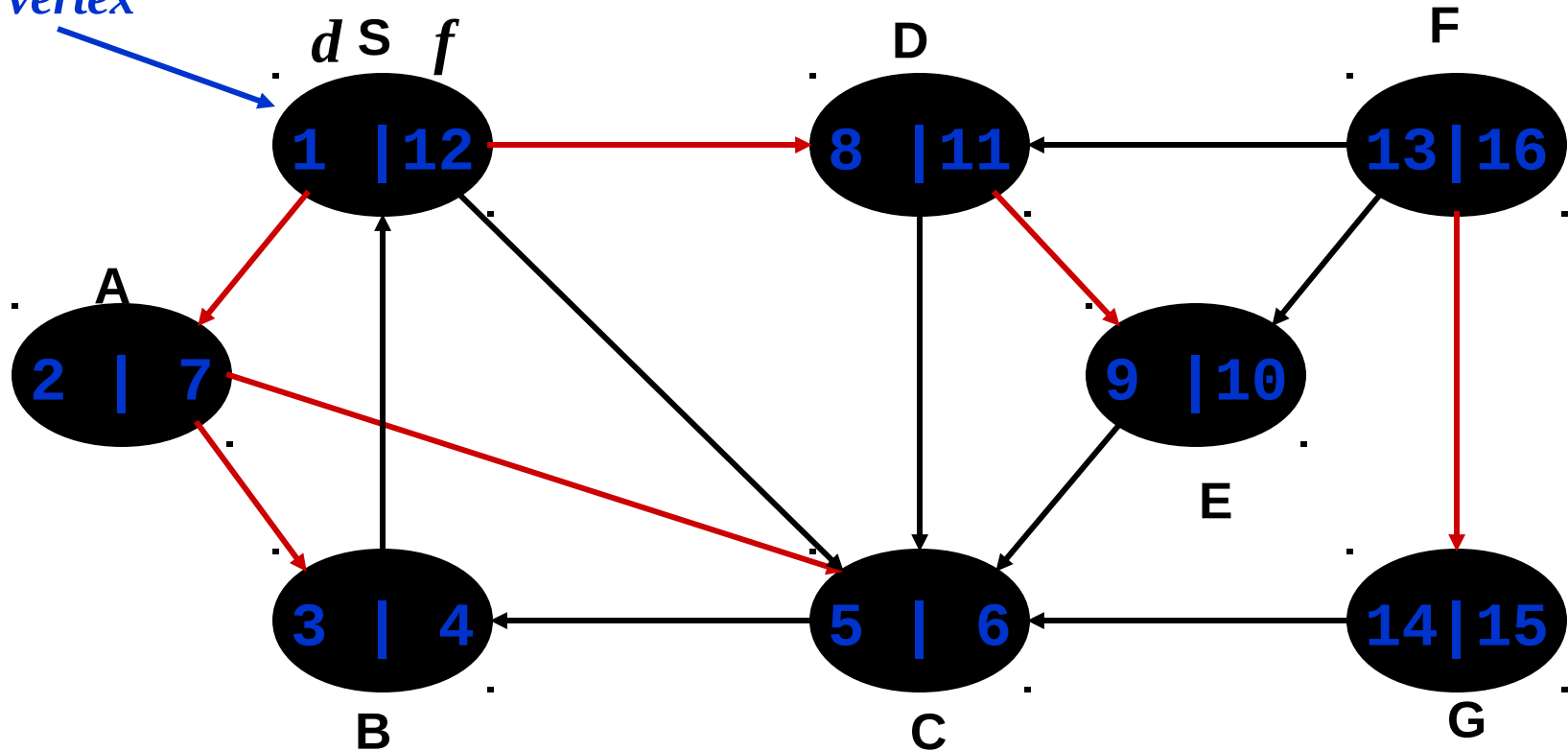
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# Depth-First Search: The Code

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        prev[V], d[V], f[V]  
DFS(G) // where prog starts  
{  
    for each vertex  $u \in V$   
    {  
        color[u] = WHITE;  
        prev[u]=NIL;  
        f[u]=inf; d[u]=inf;  
    }  
    time = 0;  
    for each vertex  $u \in V$   
        if (color[u] == WHITE)  
            DFS_Visit(u);  
}
```

```
DFS_Visit(u)  
{  
    color[u] = GREY;  
    time = time+1;  
    d[u] = time;  
    for each  $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$   
    {  
        if (color[v] == WHITE)  
            prev[v]=u;  
            DFS_Visit(v);  
    }  
    color[u] = BLACK;  
    time = time+1;  
    f[u] = time;  
}
```

*What will be the running time?*

# Depth-First Search: The Code

**Data:** color[V], time,  
prev[V], d[V], f[V]

DFS(G) // where prog starts

{

  for each vertex  $u \in V$

  {

    color[u] = WHITE;

    prev[u]=NIL;

    f[u]=inf; d[u]=inf;

  }

  time = 0;

  for each vertex  $u \in V$

    if (color[u] == WHITE)

      DFS\_Visit(u);

}

DFS\_Visit(u)

{

  color[u] = GREY;

  time = time+1;

  d[u] = time;

  for each  $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$

  {

    if (color[v] == WHITE)

      prev[v]=u;

      DFS\_Visit(v);

  }

  color[u] = BLACK;

  time = time+1;

  f[u] = time;

}

$O(V)$

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*Running time:  $O(V^2)$  because call DFS\_Visit on each vertex,  
and the loop over Adj[] can run as many as  $|V|$  times*

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    }  
    time = 0;  
    for each vertex  $u \in V$   
        if (color[u] == WHITE)  
            DFS_Visit(u);  
}
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DFS_Visit(u)  
{  
    color[u] = GREY;  
    time = time+1;  
    d[u] = time;  
    for each  $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$   
    {  
        if (color[v] == WHITE)  
            prev[v]=u;  
            DFS_Visit(v);  
    }  
    color[u] = BLACK;  
    time = time+1;  
    f[u] = time;  
}
```

***BUT, there is actually a tighter bound.***

***How many times will DFS\_Visit() actually be called?***



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}
```

```
DFS_Visit(u)  
{  
    color[u] = GREY;  
    time = time+1;  
    d[u] = time;  
    for each v ∈ Adj[u]  
    {  
        if (color[v] == WHITE)  
            prev[v]=u;  
            DFS_Visit(v);  
    }  
    color[u] = BLACK;  
    time = time+1;  
    f[u] = time;  
}
```

*So, running time of DFS =  $O(V+E)$*

# Depth-First Sort Analysis

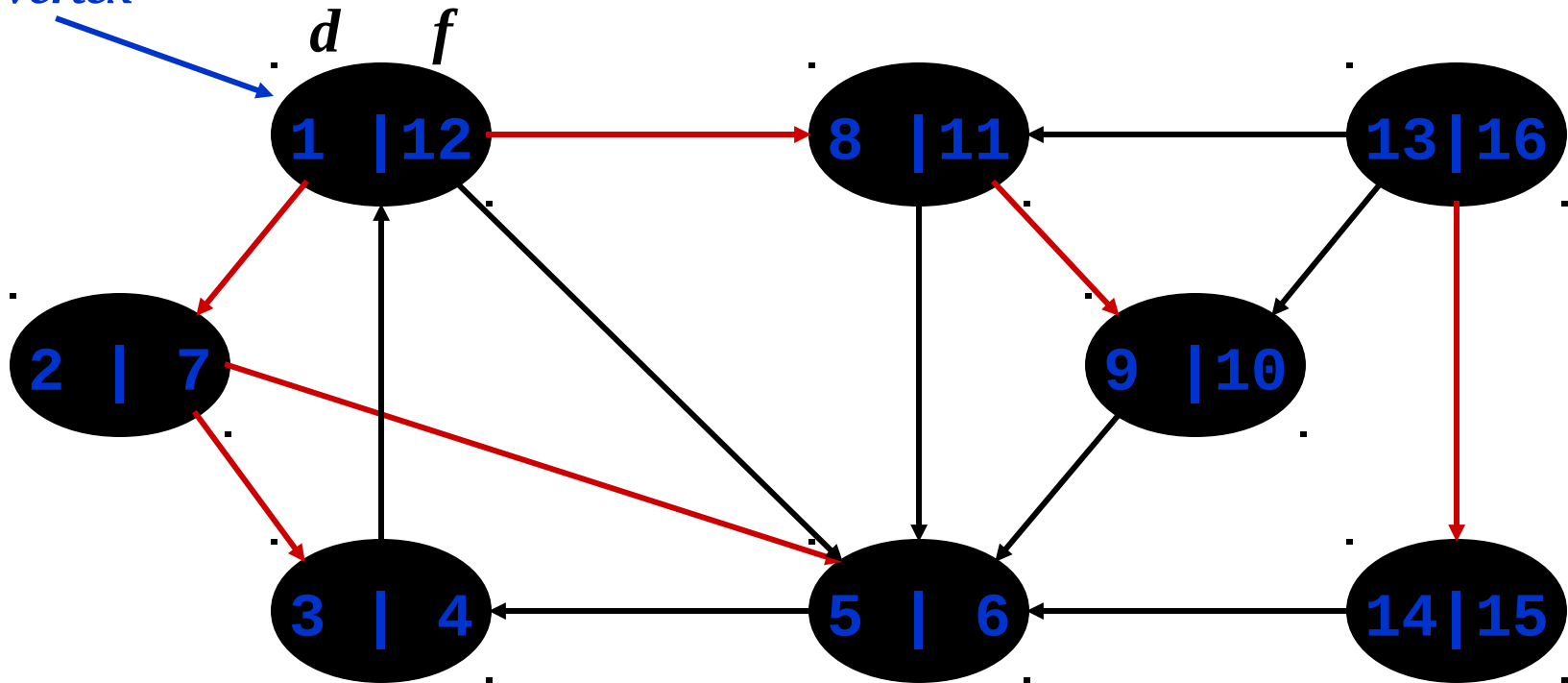
- This running time argument is an informal example of *amortized analysis*
  - “Charge” the exploration of edge to the edge:
    - Each loop in DFS\_Visit can be attributed to an edge in the graph
    - Runs once per edge if directed graph, twice if undirected
    - Thus loop will run in  $O(E)$  time, algorithm  $O(V+E)$ 
      - ◆ Considered linear for graph, b/c adj list requires  $O(V+E)$  storage
  - Important to be comfortable with this kind of reasoning and analysis

# DFS: Kinds of edges

- DFS introduces an important distinction among edges in the original graph:
  - *Tree edge*: encounter new (white) vertex
    - The tree edges form a spanning forest
    - *Can tree edges form cycles? Why or why not?*
      - ◆ *No*

# DFS Example

source  
vertex



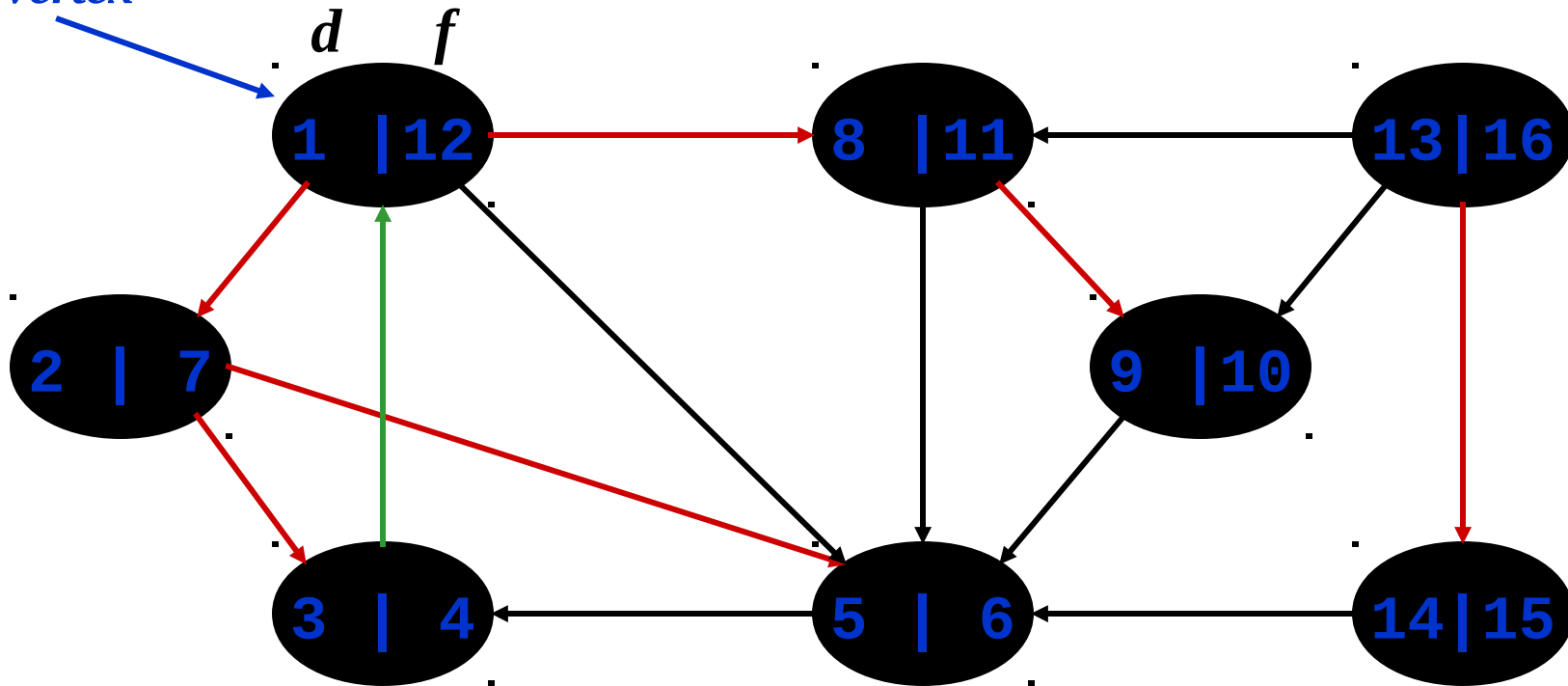
*Tree edges*

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  - *Back edge*: from descendent to ancestor
    - Encounter a grey vertex (grey to grey)
    - Self loops are considered as to be back edge.

# DFS Example

source  
vertex



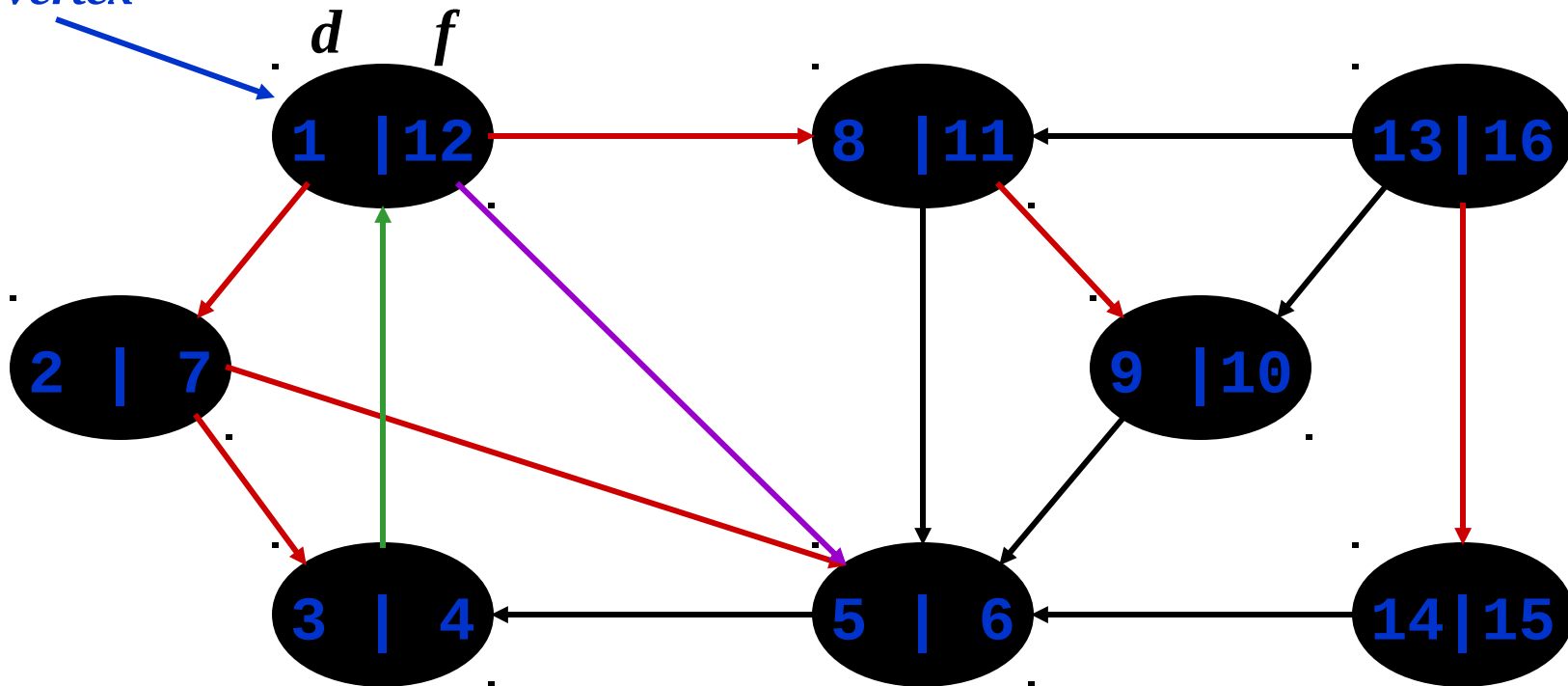
*Tree edges*   *Back edges*

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  - *Tree edge*: encounter new (white) vertex
  - *Back edge*: from descendent to ancestor
  - *Forward edge*: from ancestor to descendent
    - Not a tree edge, though
    - From grey node to black node

# DFS Example

source  
vertex



*Tree edges*   *Back edges*   *Forward edges*

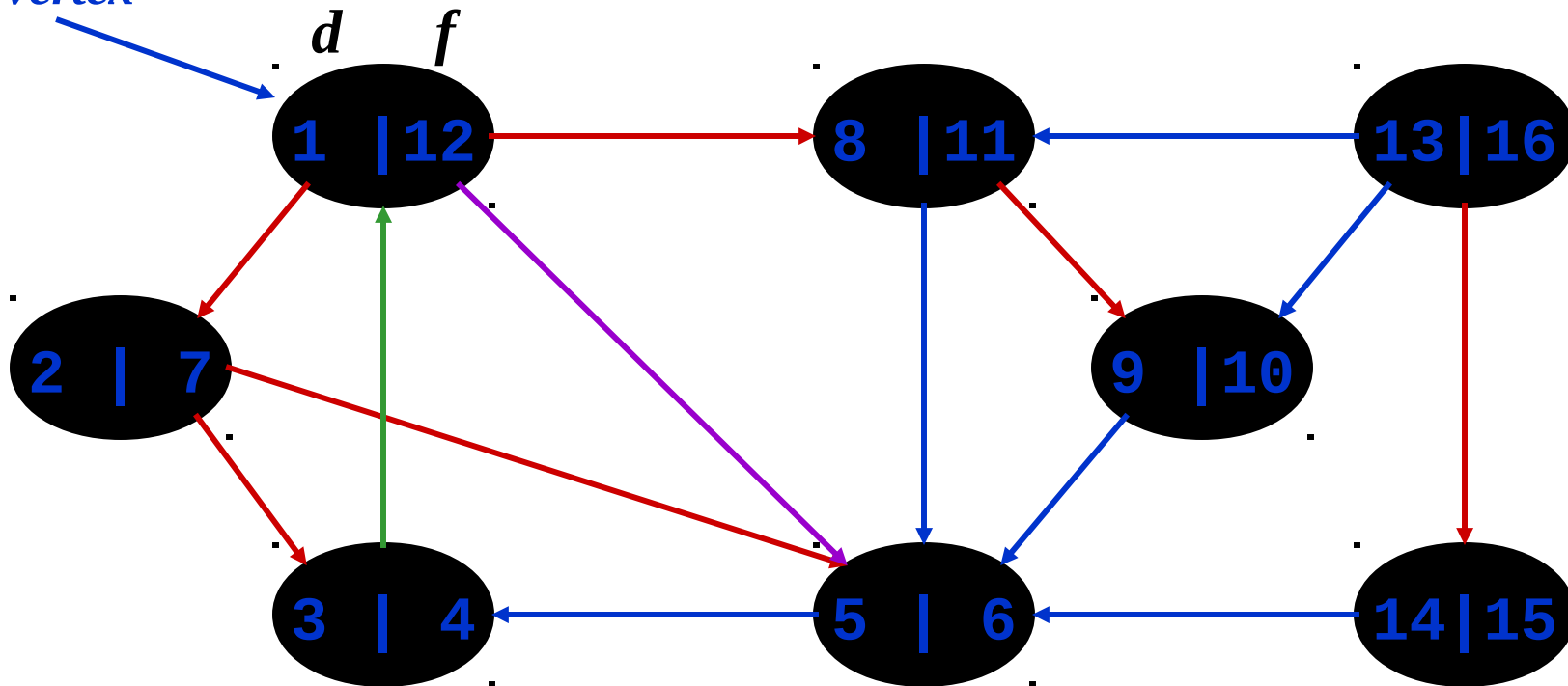


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  - *Forward edge*: from ancestor to descendent
  - *Cross edge*: between a tree or subtrees
    - From a grey node to a black node

# DFS Example

source  
vertex



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

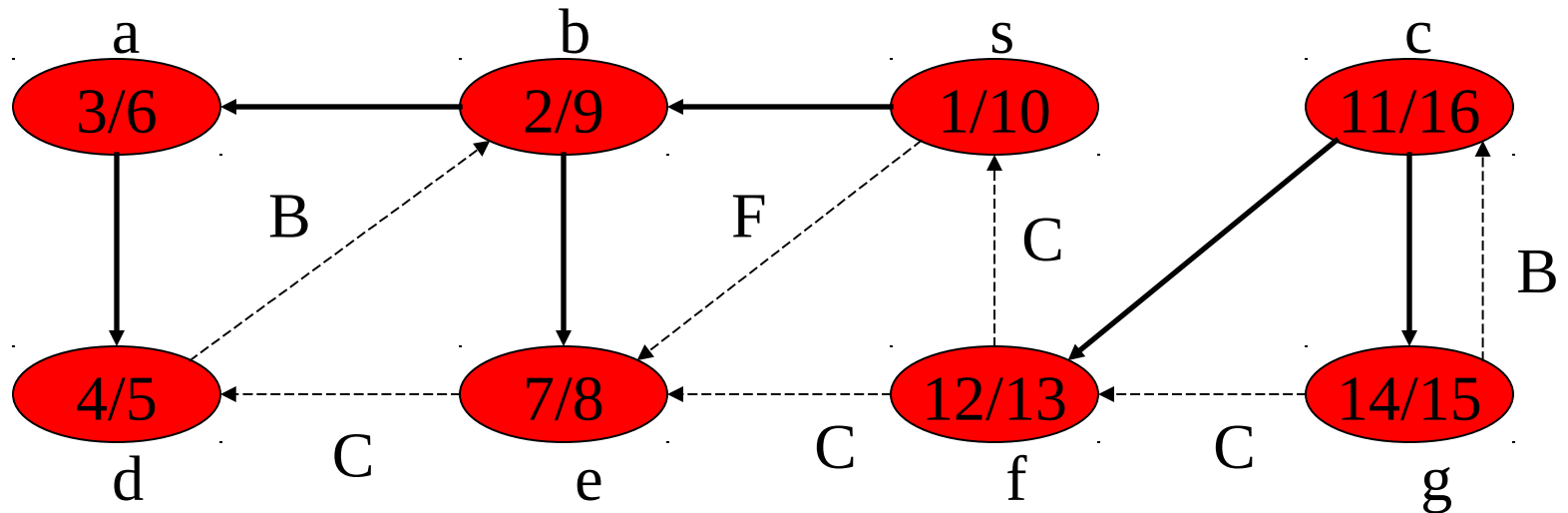
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  - *Forward edge*: from ancestor to descendent
  - *Cross edge*: between a tree or subtrees
- Note: tree & back edges are important; most algorithms don't distinguish forward & cross

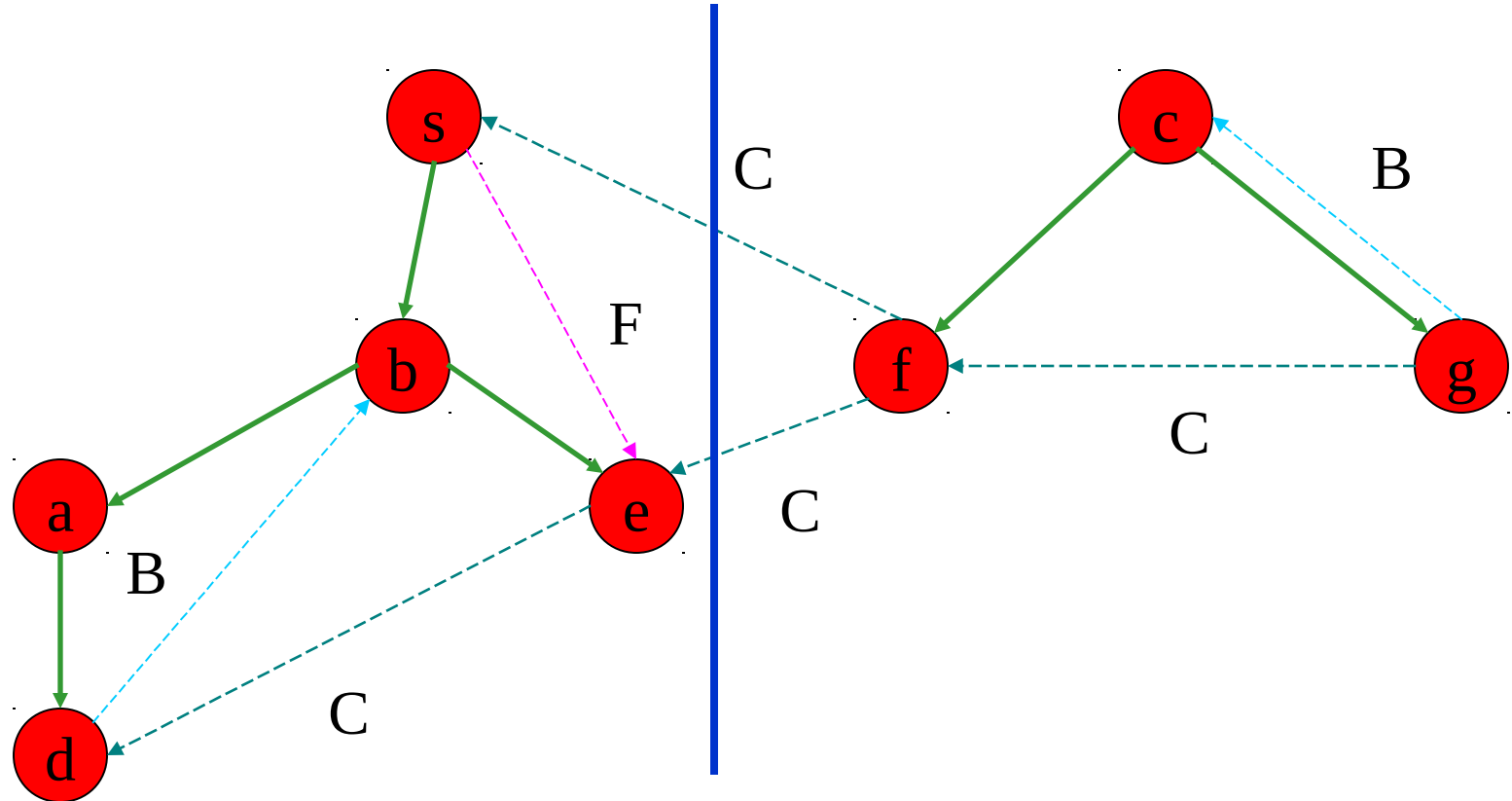
# More about the edges

- Let  $(u,v)$  is an edge.
  - If  $(\text{color}[v] = \text{WHITE})$  then  $(u,v)$  is a tree edge
  - If  $(\text{color}[v] = \text{GRAY})$  then  $(u,v)$  is a back edge
  - If  $(\text{color}[v] = \text{BLACK})$  then  $(u,v)$  is a forward/cross edge
    - Forward Edge:  $d[u] < d[v]$
    - Cross Edge:  $d[u] > d[v]$

# Depth-First Search - Timestamps



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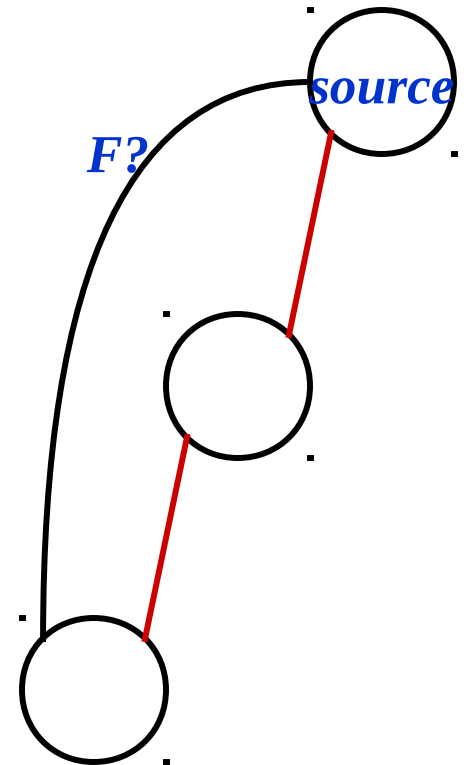
# Depth-First Search: Detect Edge

```
Data: color[V], time,  
        prev[V], d[V], f[V]  
DFS(G) // where prog starts  
{  
    for each vertex u ∈ V  
    {  
        color[u] = WHITE;  
        prev[u]=NIL;  
        f[u]=inf; d[u]=inf;  
    }  
    time = 0;  
    for each vertex u ∈ V  
        if (color[u] == WHITE)  
            DFS_Visit(u);  
}
```

```
DFS_Visit(u)  
{  
    color[u] = GREY;  
    time = time+1;  
    d[u] = time;  
    for each v ∈ Adj[u]  
    {  
        detect edge type using "color[v]"  
        if(color[v] == WHITE){  
            prev[v]=u;  
            DFS_Visit(v);  
        }  
    }  
    color[u] = BLACK;  
    time = time+1;  
    f[u] = time;  
}
```

# DFS: Kinds Of Edges

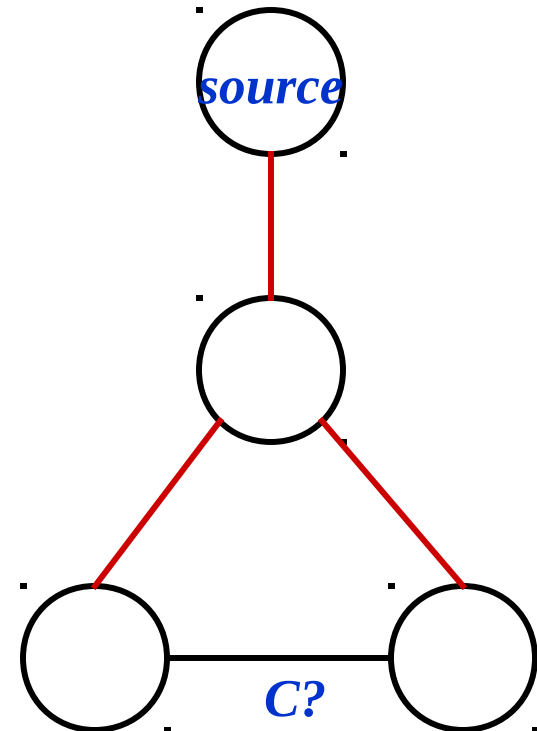
- Thm 22.10: If  $G$  is undirected, a DFS produces only tree and back edges
- Proof by contradiction:
  - Assume there's a forward edge
    - But F? edge must actually be a back edge (*why?*)





# DFS: Kinds Of Edges

- Thm 23.9: If  $G$  is undirected, a DFS produces only tree and back edges
- Proof by contradiction:
  - Assume there's a cross edge
    - But C? edge cannot be cross:
    - must be explored from one of the vertices it connects, becoming a tree vertex, before other vertex is explored
    - So in fact the picture is wrong...both lower tree edges cannot in fact be tree edges



# DFS And Graph Cycles

- Thm: An undirected graph is *acyclic* iff a DFS yields no back edges
  - If acyclic, no back edges (because a back edge implies a cycle)
  - If no back edges, acyclic
    - No back edges implies only tree edges (*Why?*)
    - Only tree edges implies we have a tree or a forest
    - Which by definition is acyclic
- Thus, can run DFS to find whether a graph has a cycle

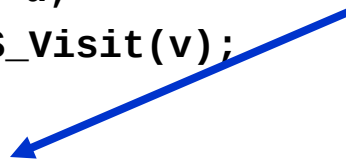
# DFS And Cycles

*How would you modify the code to detect cycles?*

**Data:** color[V], time,  
prev[V], d[V], f[V]

```
DFS(G) // where prog starts
{
    for each vertex u ∈ V
    {
        color[u] = WHITE;
        prev[u]=NIL;
        f[u]=inf; d[u]=inf;
    }
    time = 0;
    for each vertex u ∈ V
        if (color[u] == WHITE)
            DFS_Visit(u);
}
```

```
DFS_Visit(u)
{
    color[u] = GREY;
    time = time+1;
    d[u] = time;
    for each v ∈ Adj[u]
    {
        if (color[v]==WHITE){
            prev[v]=u;
            DFS_Visit(v);
        }
    }
    color[u] = BLACK;
    time = time+1;
    f[u] = time;
}
```



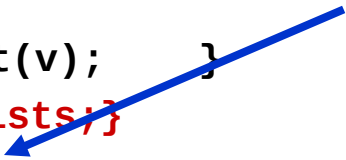
# DFS And Cycles

*What will be the running time?*

**Data:** color[V], time,  
prev[V], d[V], f[V]

```
DFS(G) // where prog starts
{
    for each vertex  $u \in V$ 
    {
        color[u] = WHITE;
        prev[u]=NIL;
        f[u]=inf; d[u]=inf;
    }
    time = 0;
    for each vertex  $u \in V$ 
        if (color[u] == WHITE)
            DFS_Visit(u);
}
```

```
DFS_Visit(u)
{
    color[u] = GREY;
    time = time+1;
    d[u] = time;
    for each  $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$ 
    {
        if (color[v]==WHITE){
            prev[v]=u;
            DFS_Visit(v);
        }
        else {cycle exists;}
    }
    color[u] = BLACK;
    time = time+1;
    f[u] = time;
}
```



# DFS And Cycles

- *What will be the running time?*
- A:  $O(V+E)$
- We can actually determine if cycles exist in  $O(V)$  time
  - How??

# DFS And Cycles

- *What will be the running time for undirected graph to detect cycle?*
- A:  $O(V+E)$
- We can actually determine if cycles exist in  $O(V)$  time:
  - In an undirected acyclic forest,  $|E| \leq |V| - 1$
  - So count the edges: if ever see  $|V|$  distinct edges, must have seen a back edge along the way

# DFS And Cycles

- *What will be the running time for directed graph to detect cycle?*
- A:  $O(V+E)$

# Reference

- Cormen –
  - Chapter 22 (Elementary Graph Algorithms)
- Exercise –
  - 22.3-4 – Detect edge using  $d[u]$ ,  $d[v]$ ,  $f[u]$ ,  $f[v]$
  - 22.3-11 – Connected Component
  - 22.3-12 – Singly connected