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FIT2004: Algorithms and Data Structures

Week 8: Introduction to Graphs and Shortest Path Algorithms

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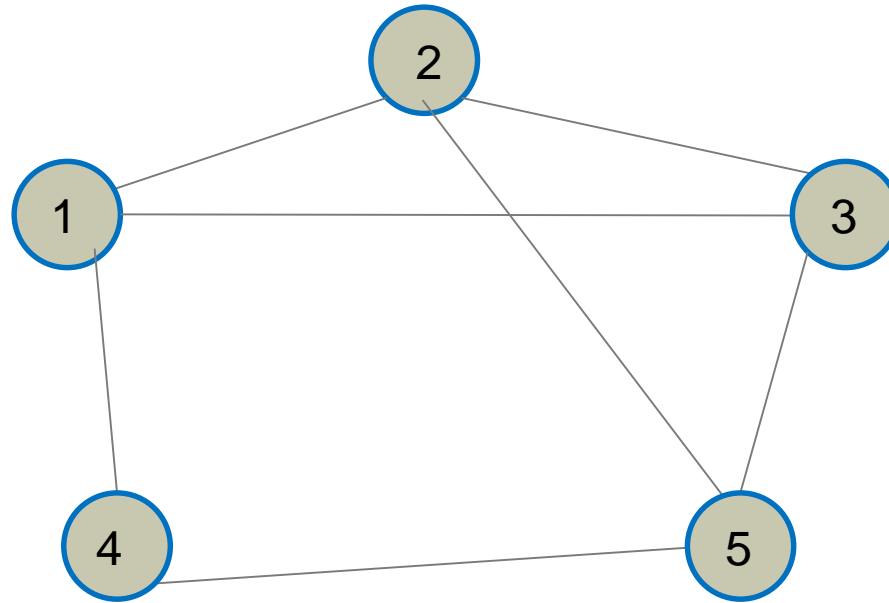
Recommended reading

- Unit notes: Chapters 12&13
- Cormen et al. Introduction to Algorithms.
 - Section 22.1 Representation of graphs
 - Section 22.2 Breadth-First Search
 - Section 24.2 Dijkstra's algorithm
- <http://www.csse.monash.edu.au/~lloyd/tildeAlgDS/Graph/>
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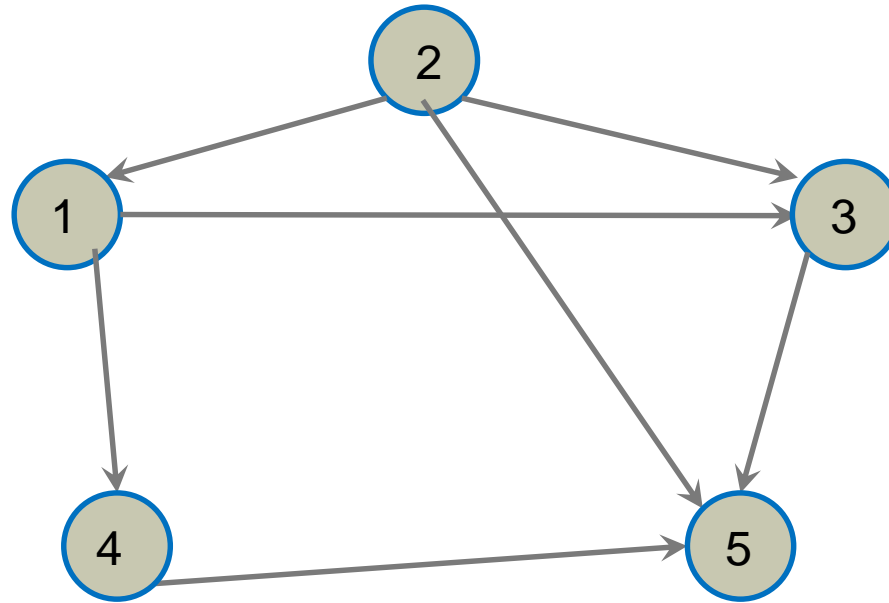
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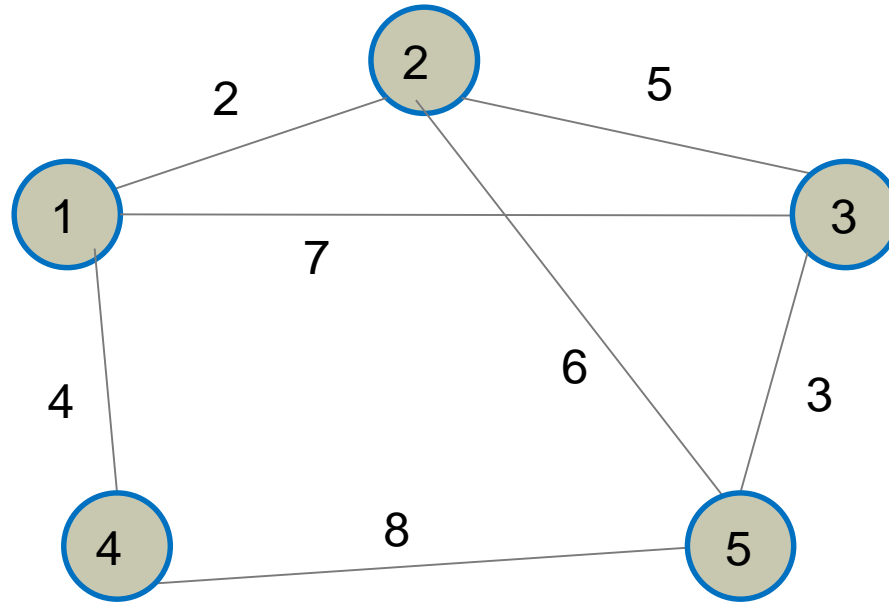
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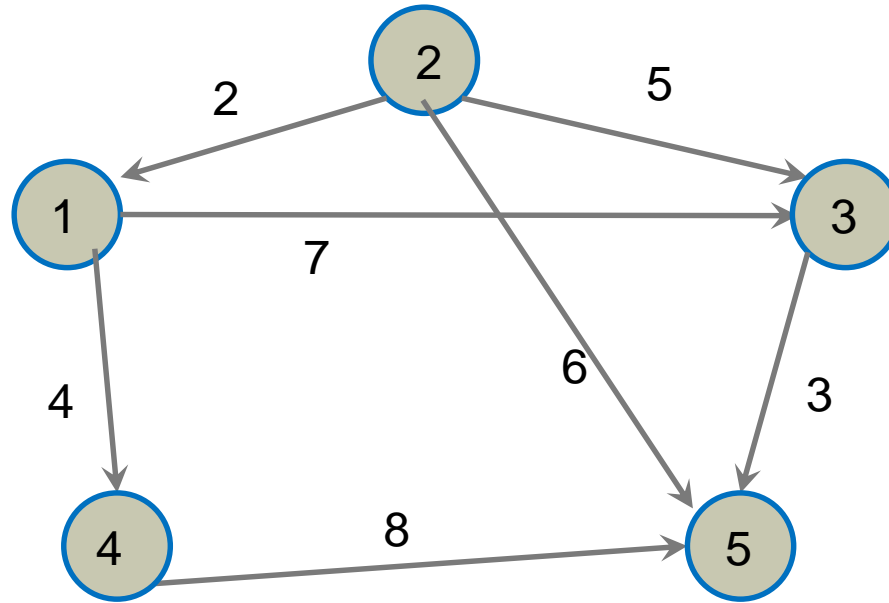
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Undirected Weighted Graph - Example



Directed Weighted Graph - Example



Graphs – Formal notations

- A graph $G = (V, E)$ is defined using a set of vertices V and a set of edges E .
- An edge e is represented as $e = (u, v)$ where u and v are two vertices
- For undirected graphs, $(u, v) = (v, u)$ because there is no sense of direction.
- For a directed graph, (u, v) represents an edge **from** u **to** v and $(u, v) \neq (v, u)$.

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- A weighted graph is represented as $G = (V, E, W)$ where W represents weights for the edges and each edge e is represented as (u, v, w) where w is the weight for the edge (u, v) .
- A graph is called a **simple graph** if it does not have loops AND does not contain multiple edges b/w same pair of vertices.
- In this unit, we focus on simple graphs.

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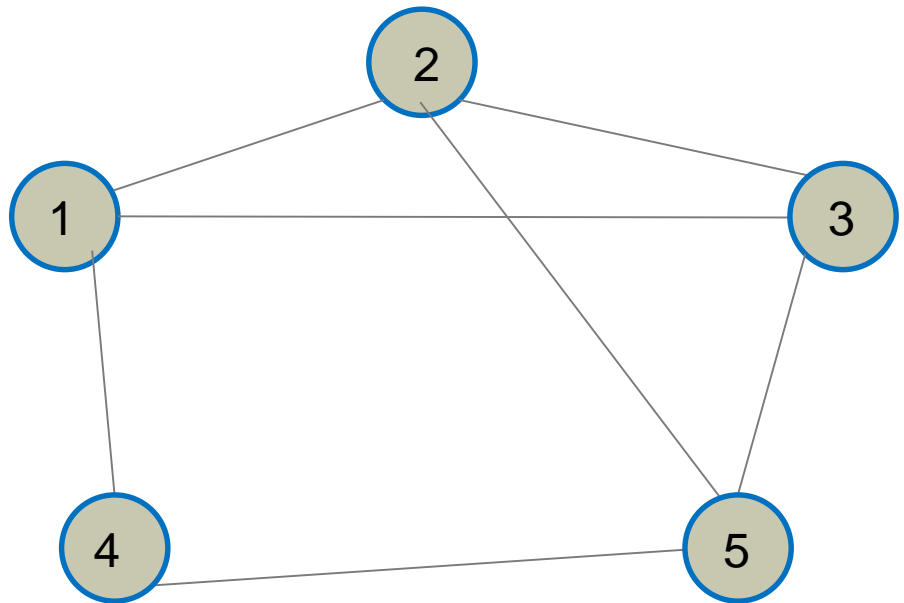
- The minimum number of edges in a connected undirected graph
 - $V-1 = O(V)$
- The maximum number edges in a connected undirected graph
 - $V(V-1)/2 = O(V^2)$
- A graph is called **sparse** if $E \ll V^2$ (\ll means significantly smaller than)
- A graph is called **dense** if $E \approx V^2$

Representing Graphs

Adjacency Matrix:

Create a $V \times V$ matrix M and store T (true) for $M[i][j]$ if there exists an edge between i -th and j -th vertex. Otherwise, store F (false).

	1	2	3	4	5
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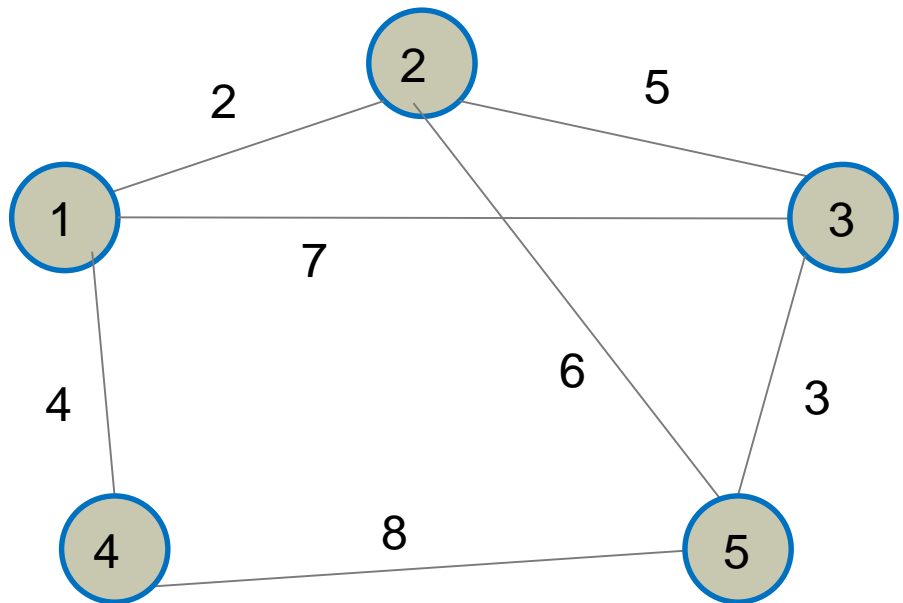


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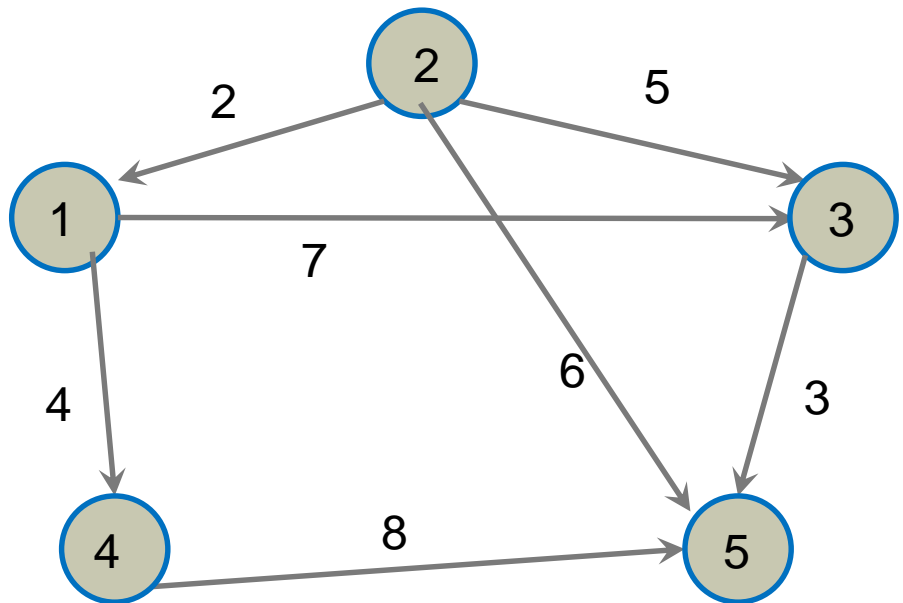
Space Complexity: $O(V^2)$ regardless of the number of edges

Time Complexity of checking if an edge exists: $O(1)$

Time Complexity of retrieving all neighbors (adjacent vertices) of a given vertex:

$O(V)$ regardless of the number of neighbors (unless additional pointers are stored)

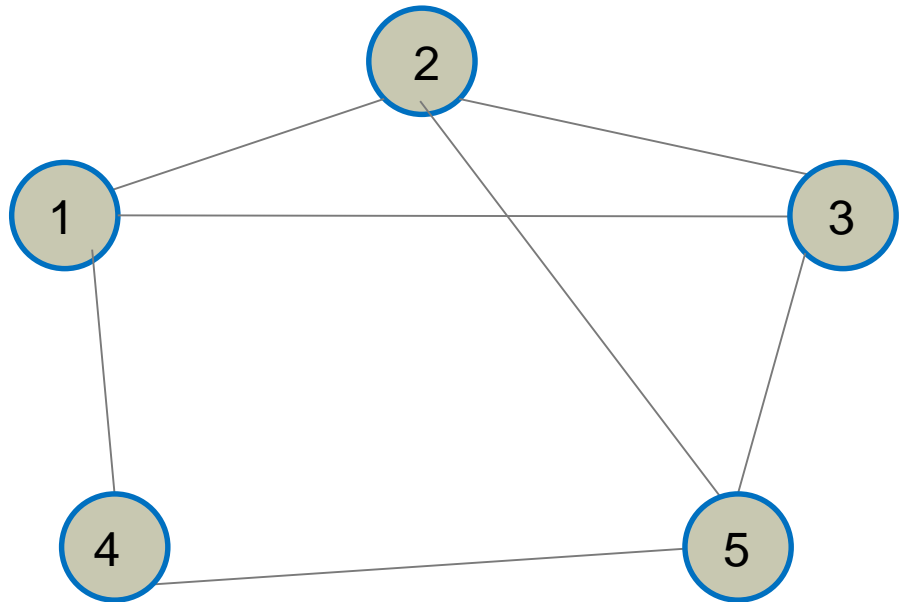
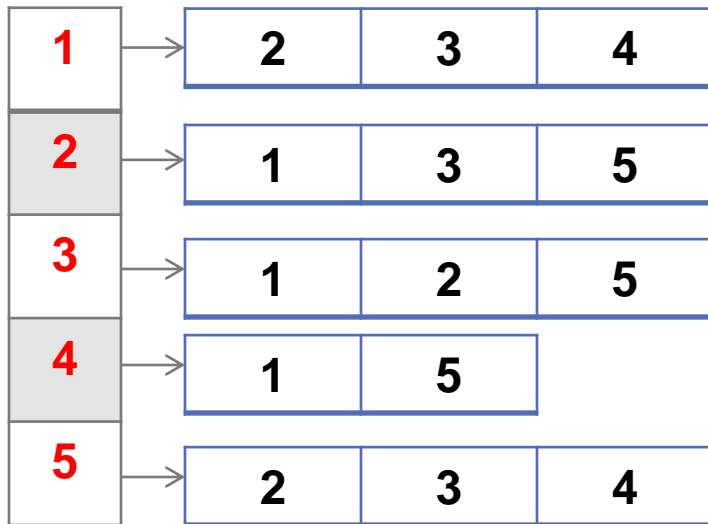
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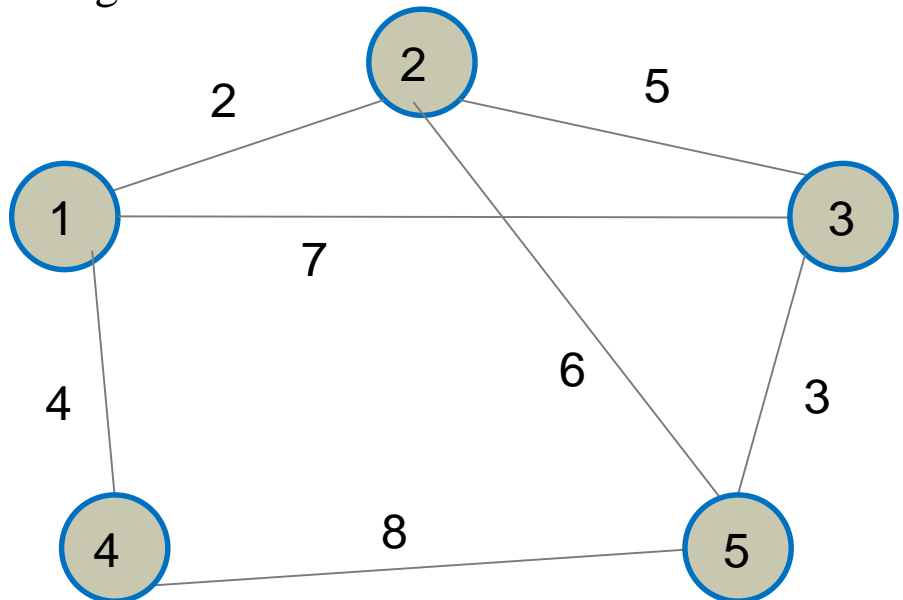
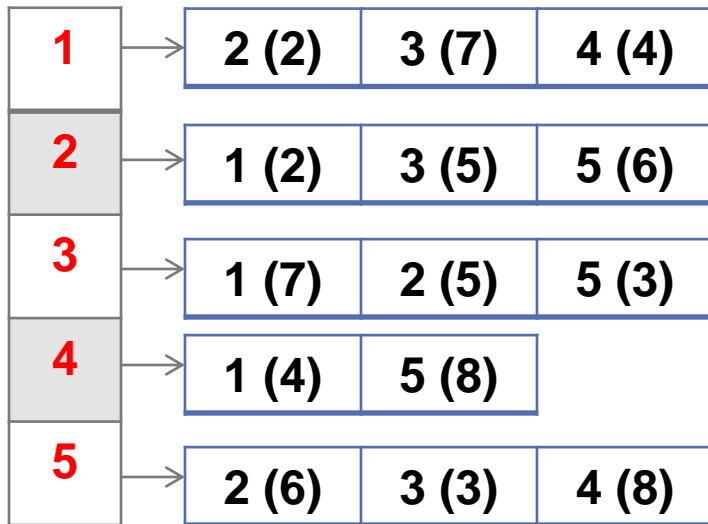


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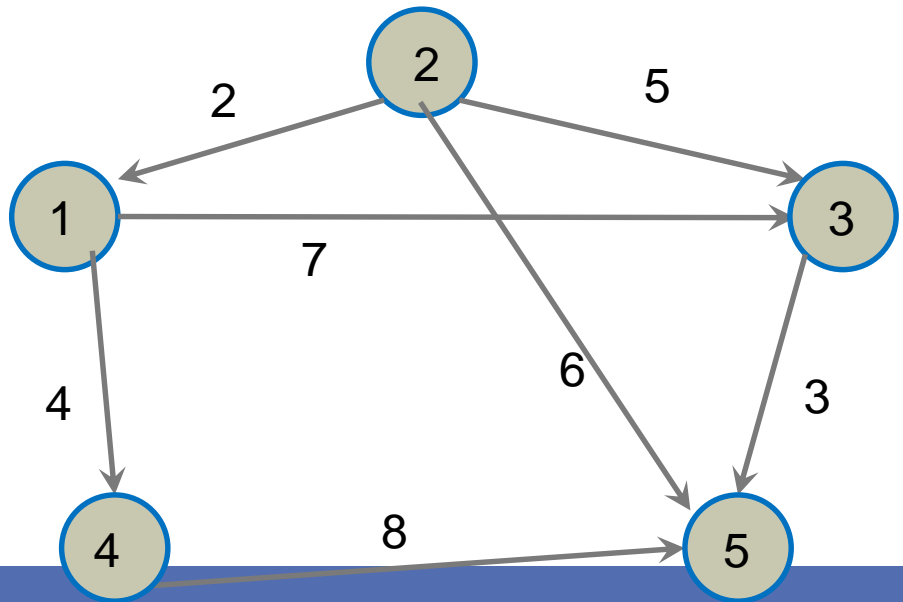
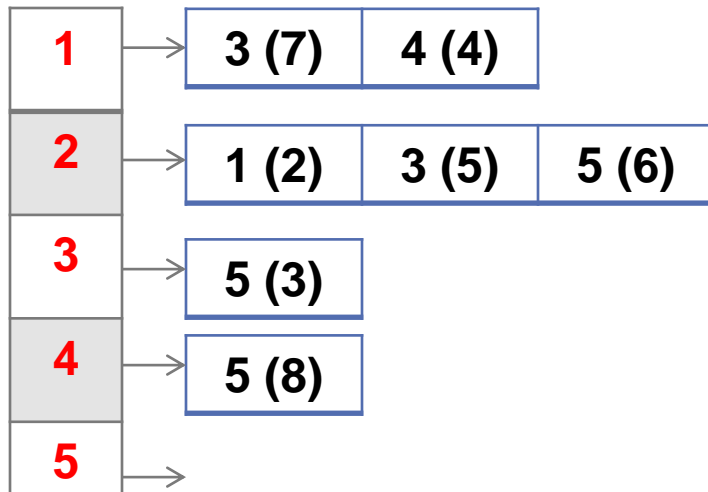
- $O(V + E)$

Time complexity of checking if a particular edge exists:

- $O(\log V)$ assuming each adjacency list is a sorted array on vertex IDs

Time complexity of retrieving all adjacent vertices of a given vertex:

- $O(X)$ where X is the number of adjacent vertices (note: this is output-sensitive complexity)



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Graph traversal algorithms traverse (visit) the nodes of a graph starting from a source vertex.

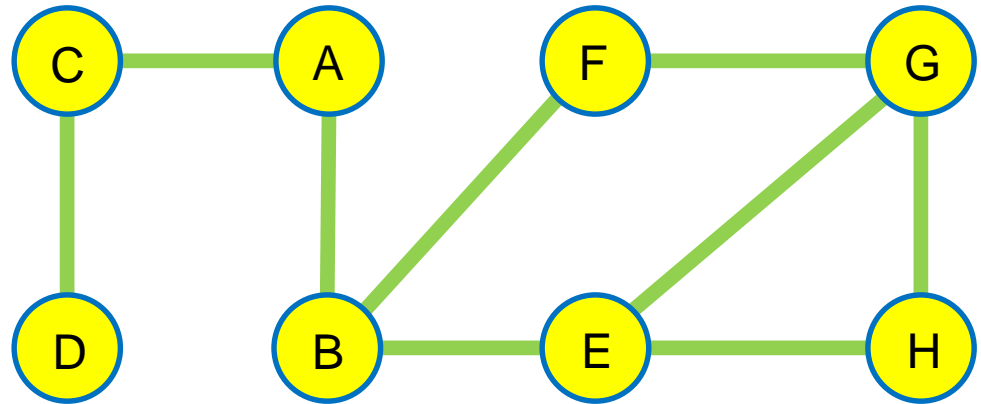
We will look into two algorithms:

- Breadth First Search (BFS)
- Depth First Search (DFS)

Both of them visit all the vertices of the graph exactly once

The order in which they visit vertices is different

Each one has properties that make it useful for certain kinds of graph problems



Graph Traversal - BFS

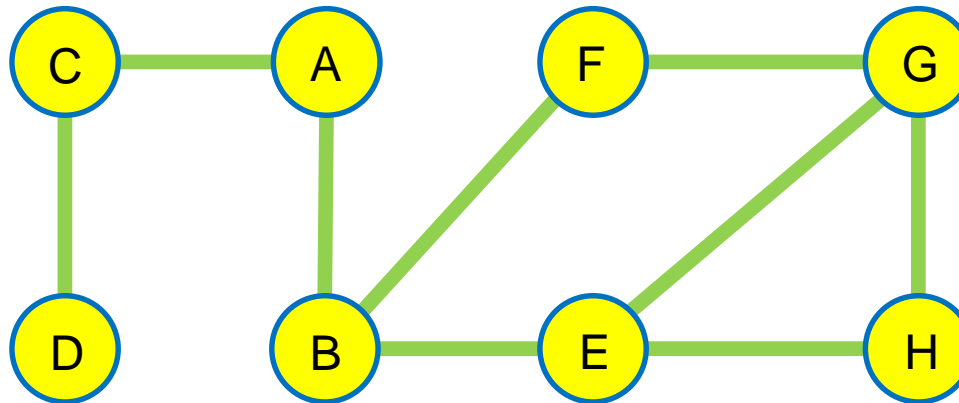
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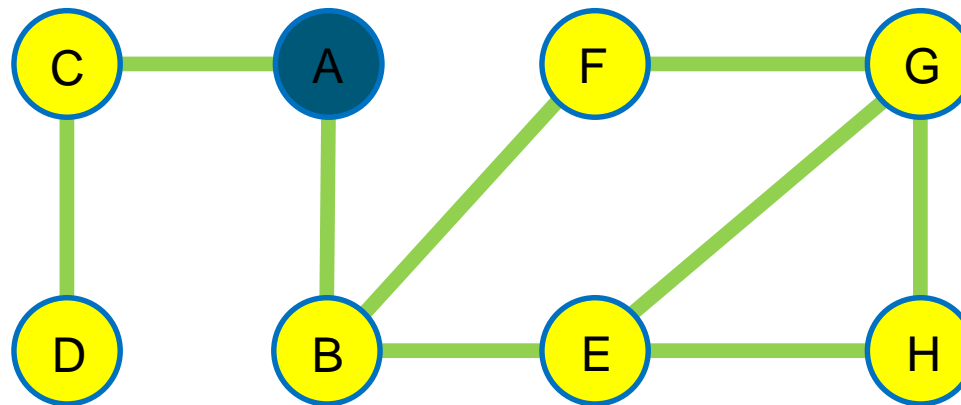


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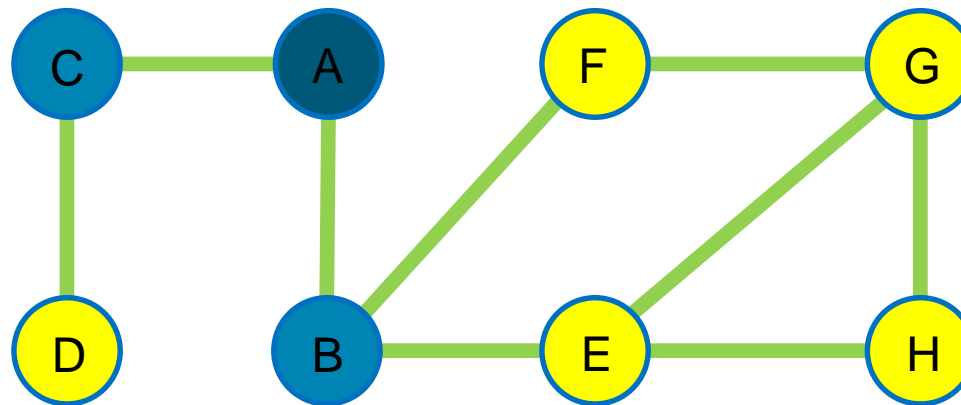


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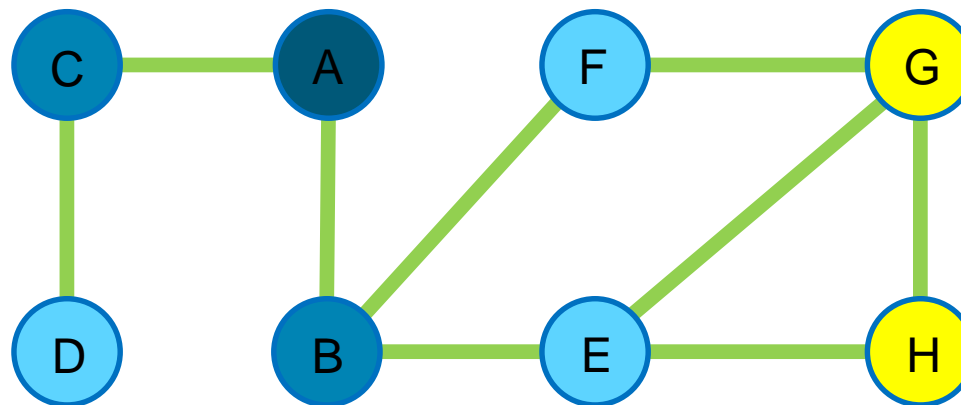


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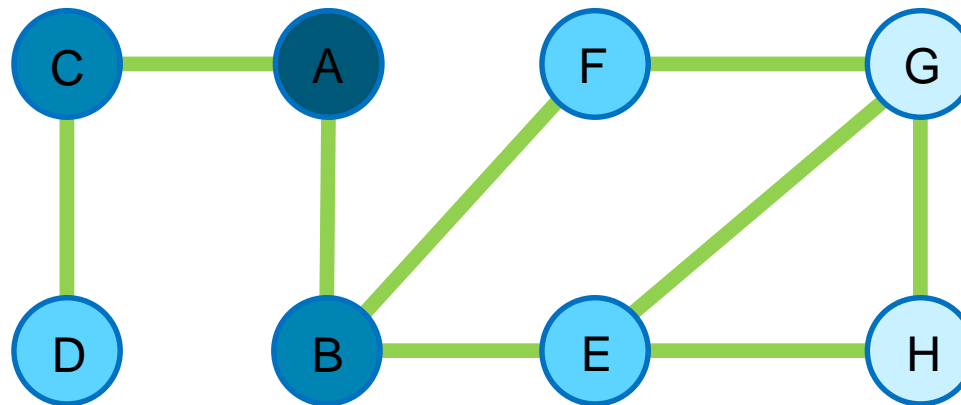


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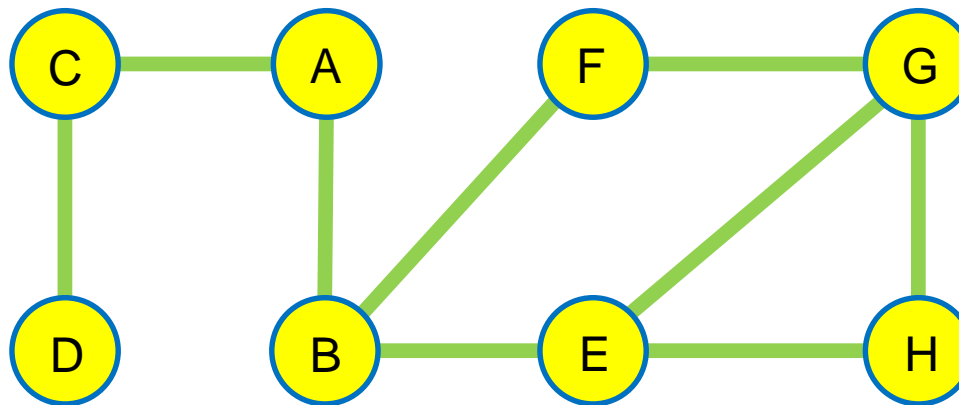
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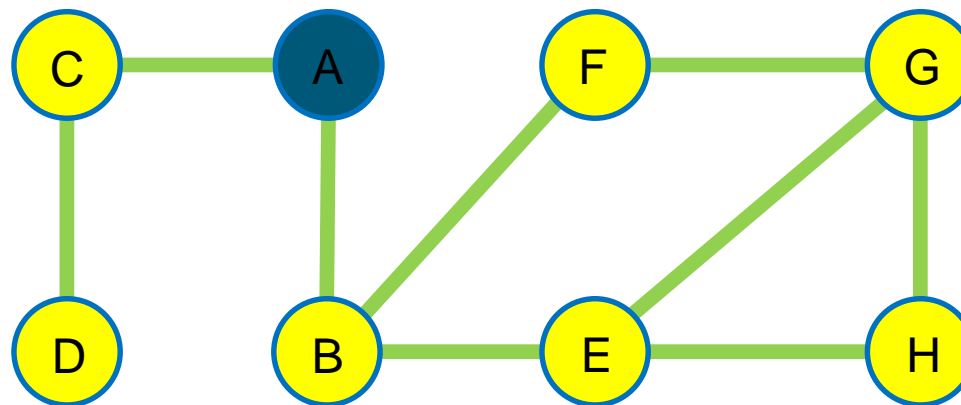


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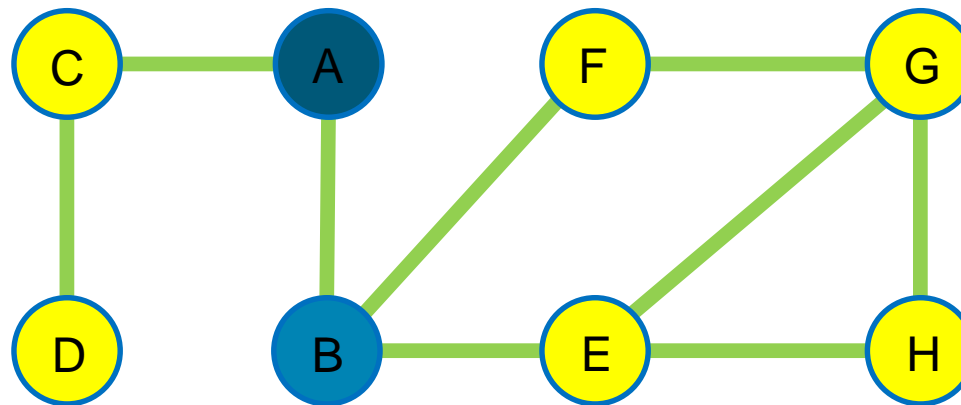


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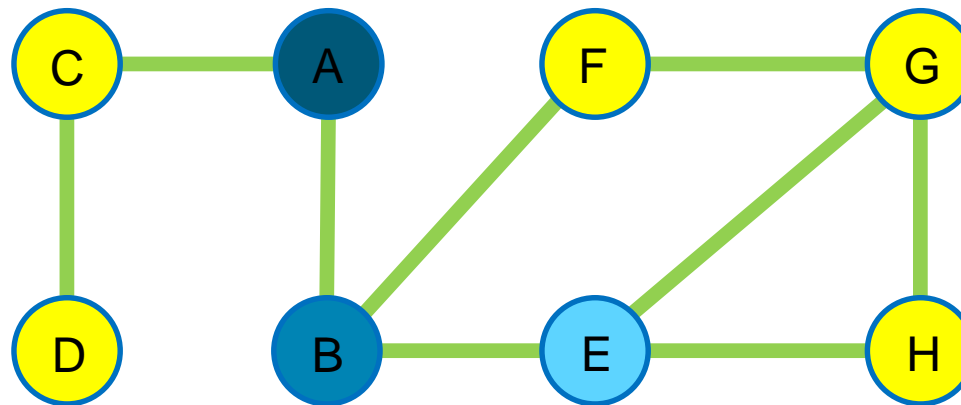


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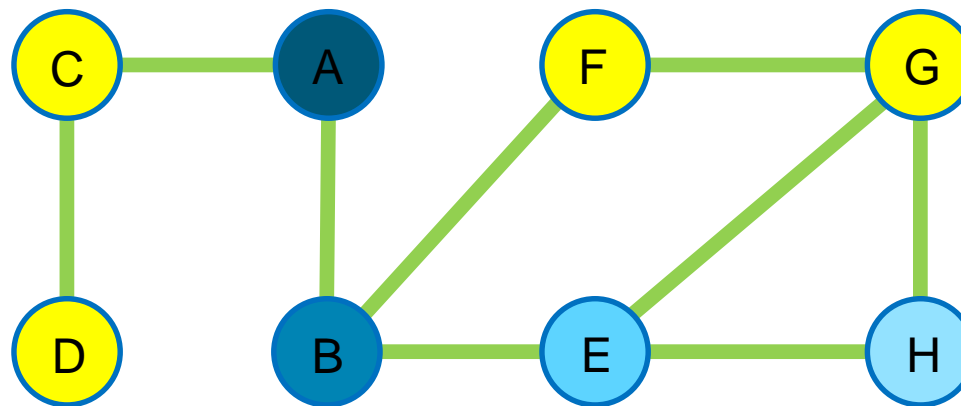


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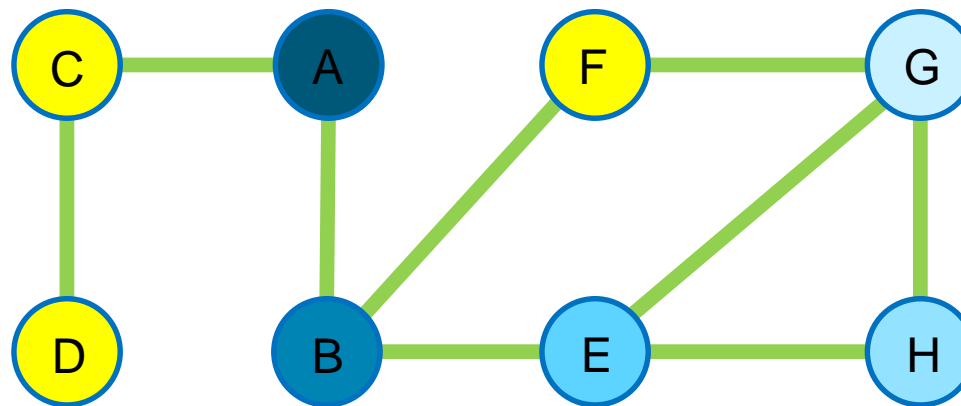


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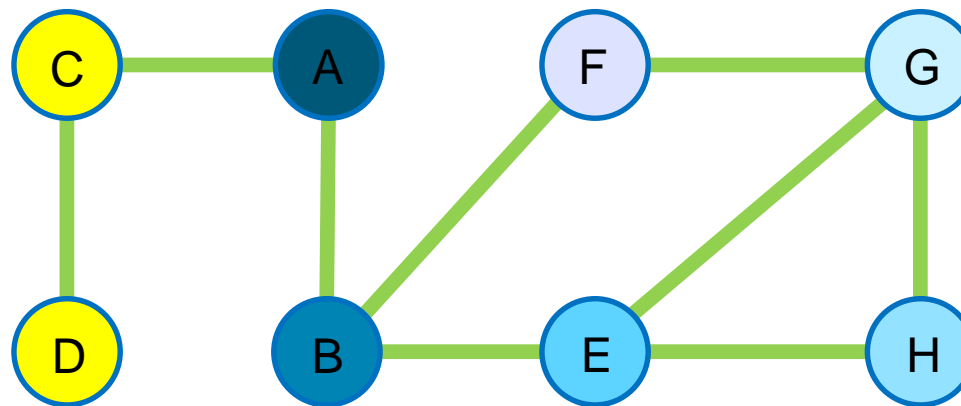


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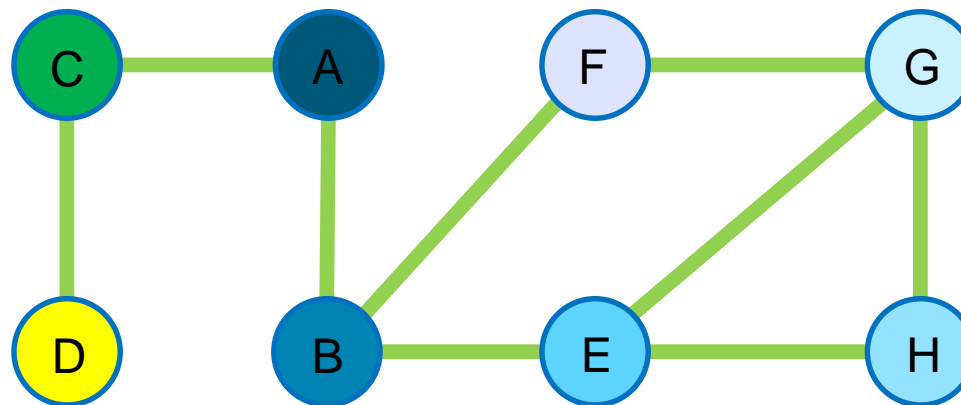


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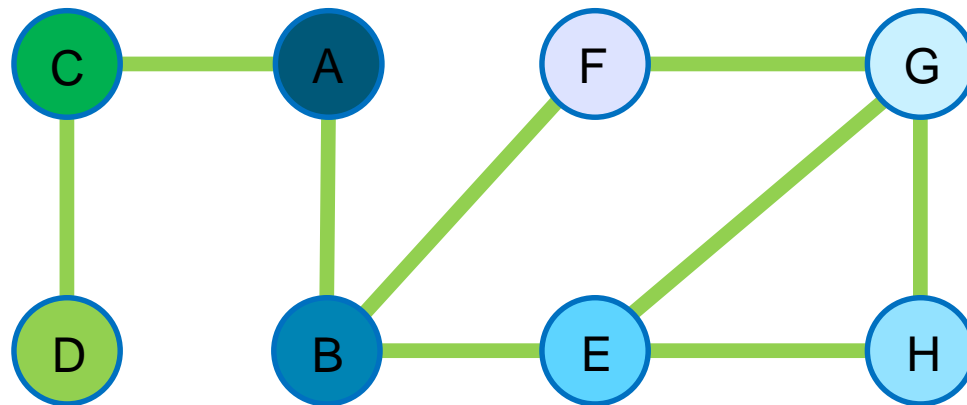


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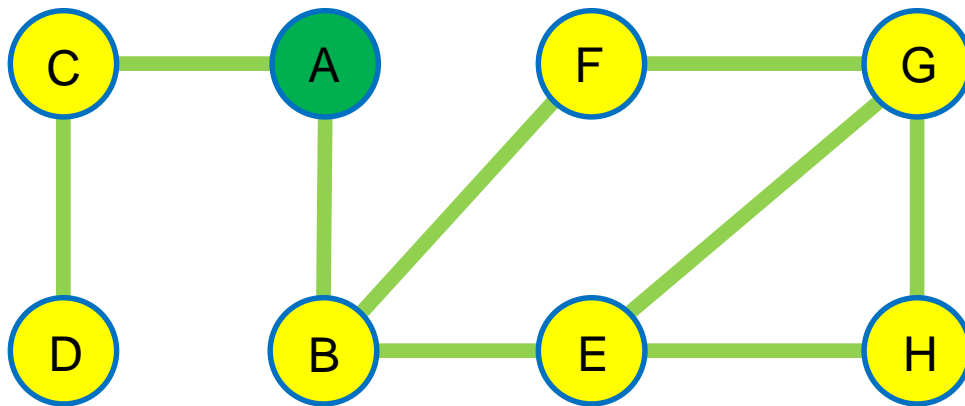
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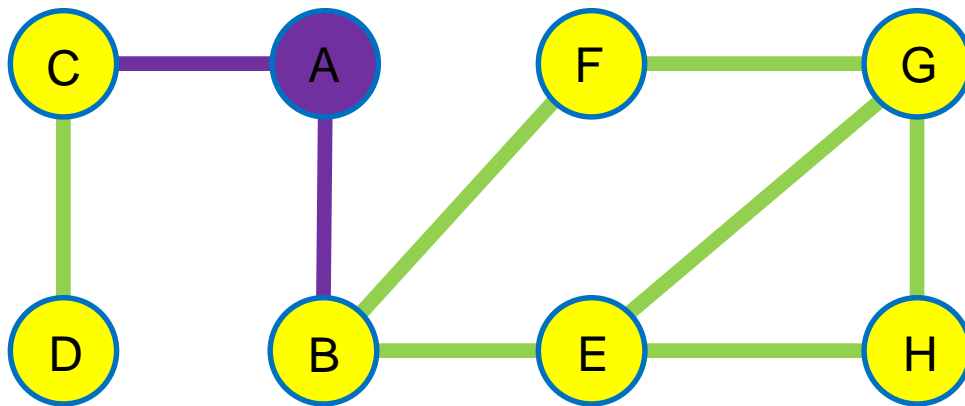
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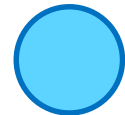
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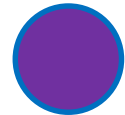
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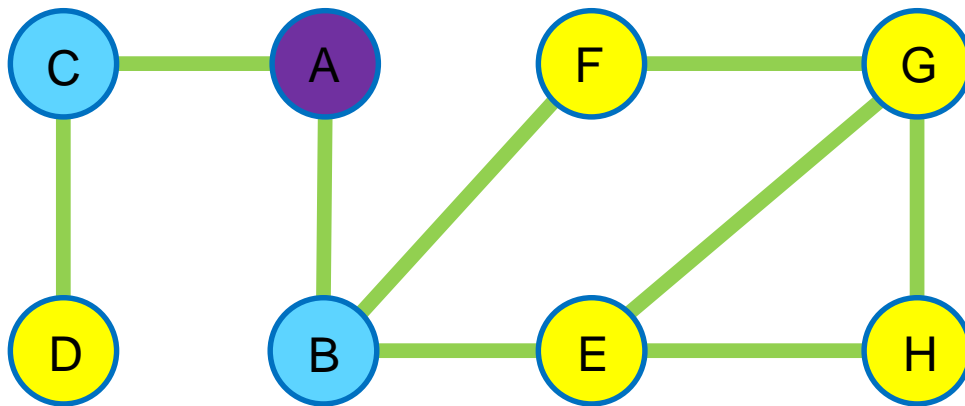
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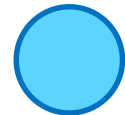
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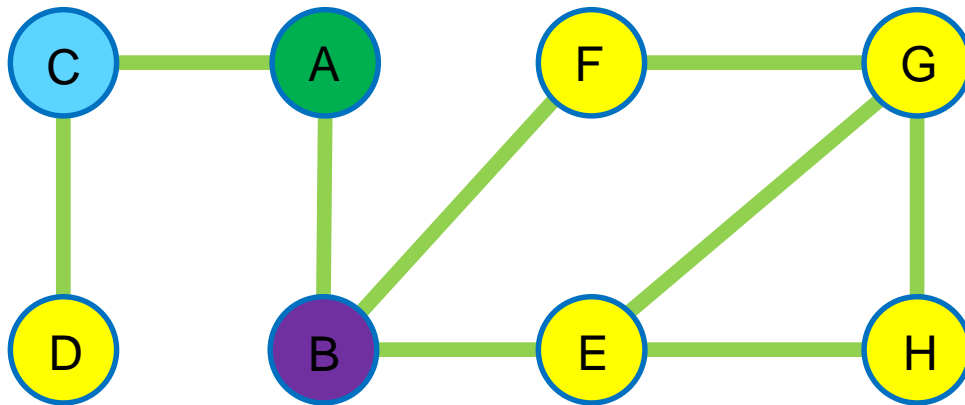
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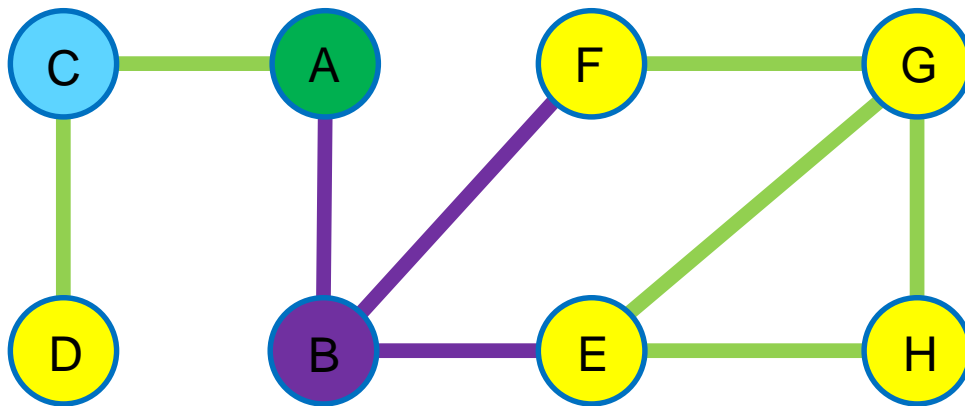
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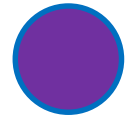
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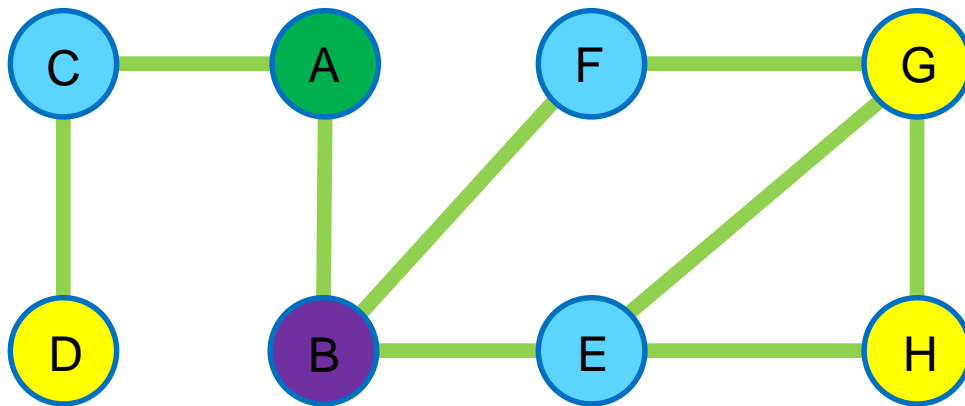
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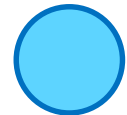
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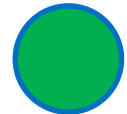
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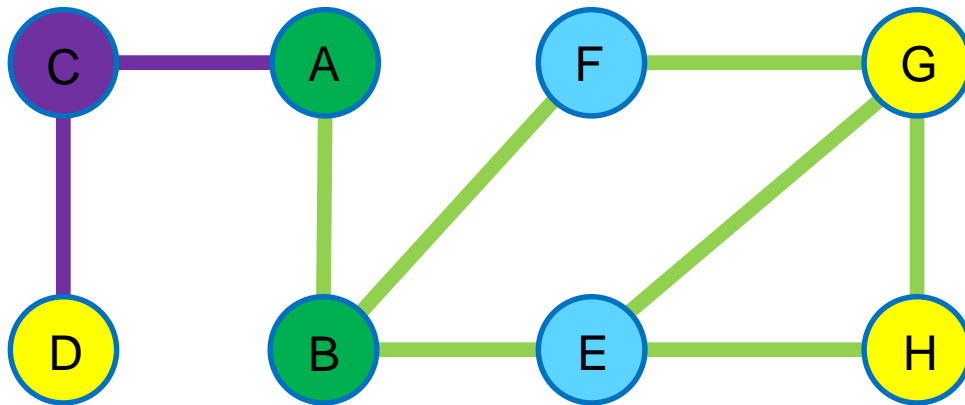
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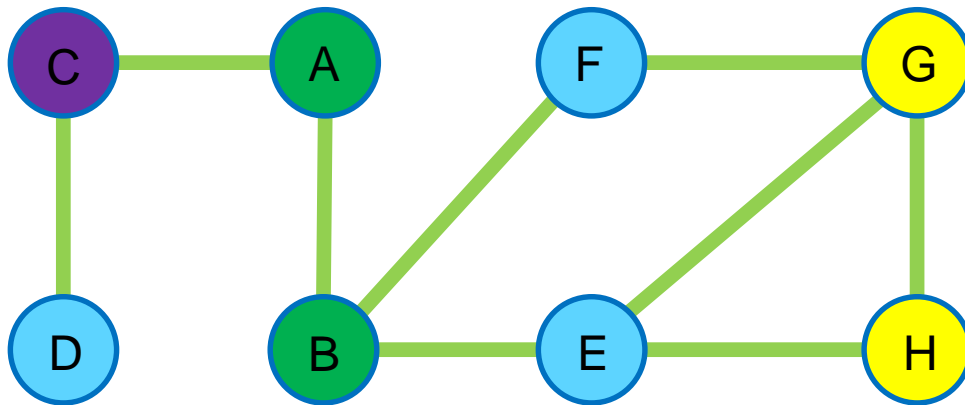
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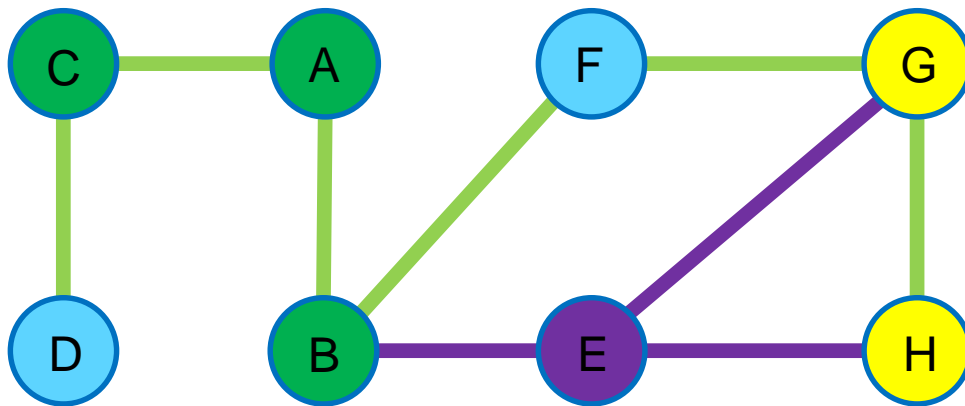
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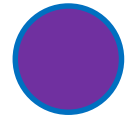
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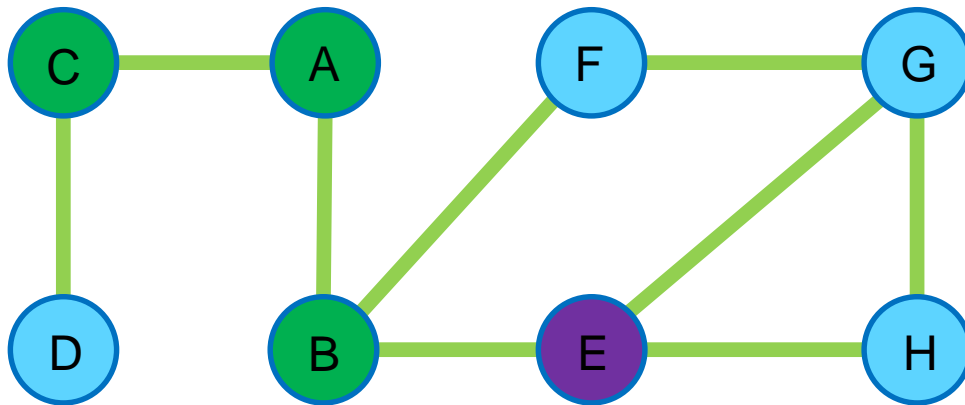
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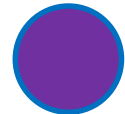
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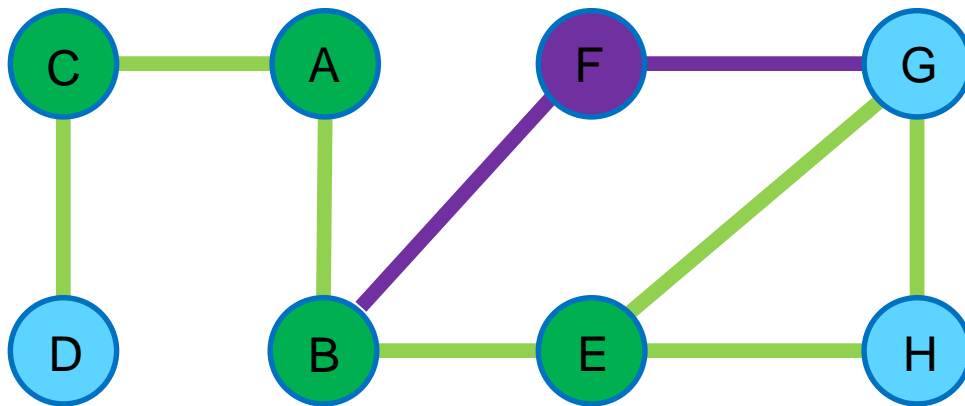
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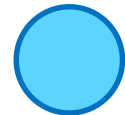
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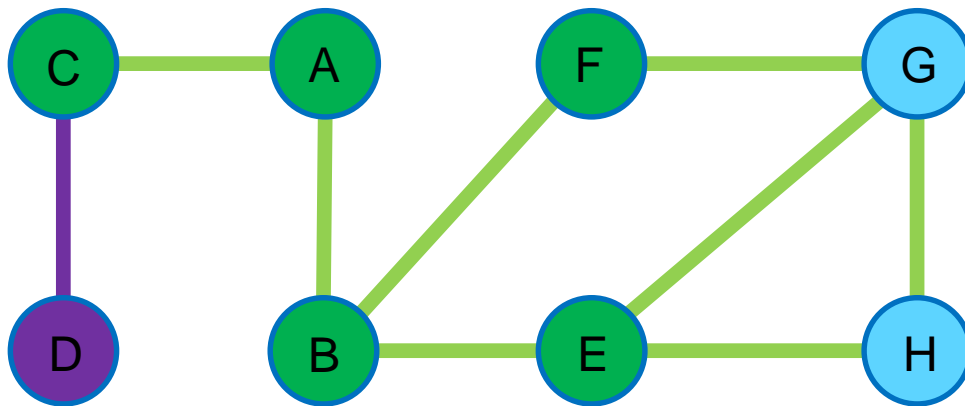
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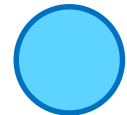
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Breadth First Search (BFS)



In Queue:



Visited:



Current:



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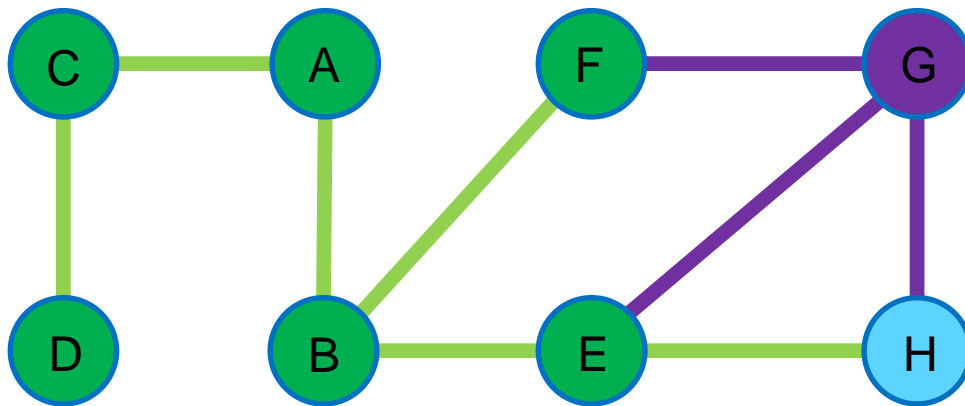
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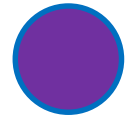
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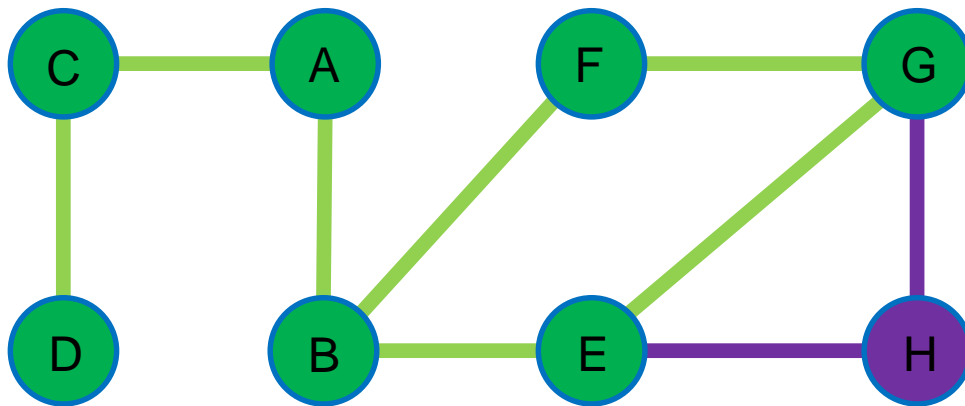
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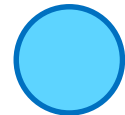
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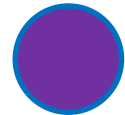
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Current:



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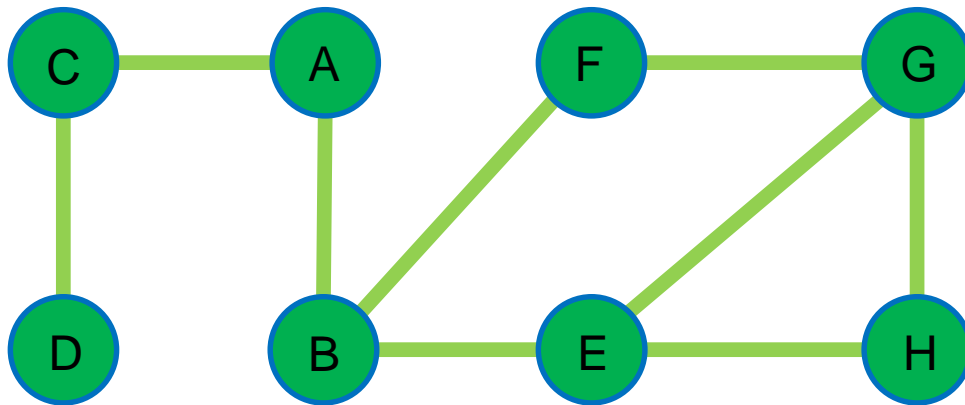
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Breadth First Search (BFS)



Current:

Queue:

Visited:

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Breadth First Search (BFS)

- Initialize some data structure "**queue**" and some data structure "**visited**", both empty of vertices
- Put an initial vertex in **queue**
- Mark the initial vertex as visited
- While **queue** is not empty
 - Get the first vertex, **u**, from **queue**
 - For each edge (**u**,**v**)
 - ✦ If **v** is not **visited**
 - Add **v** to visited
 - add **v** at the end of **queue**

Quiz time!

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Breadth First Search (BFS)

- Initialize some data structure "**queue**" and some data structure "**visited**", both empty of vertices → $O(?)$
- Put an initial vertex in **queue** → $O(1)$
- Mark the initial vertex as visited → $O(?)$
- While **queue** is not empty → $O(1)$
 - Get the first vertex, **u**, from **queue** → $O(V)_{total}$
 - For each edge (**u**, **v**) → $O(E)_{total}$
 - ✦ If **v** is not **visited** → $O(?)$
 - Add **v** to visited → $O(?)$
 - add **v** at the end of **queue** → $O(V)_{total}$

Assuming adjacency list representation.

Time Complexity:

- We look at every edge twice
- For each edge, we do a lookup on visited (with some complexity)
- We insert vertices to visited at most $O(V)$ times
- $O(V * \text{insert to visited} + E * \text{lookup on visited})$

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Assuming adjacency list representation.

Time Complexity:

- $O(V \cdot \text{insert to visited} + E \cdot \text{lookup on visited})$
- Visited is just a bit list, indexed by vertex ID
- Lookup and insert are both $O(1)$

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Time Complexity:

- $O(V * 1 + E * 1) = O(V+E)$

Space Complexity:

- $O(V+E)$

Breadth First Search (BFS)

Algorithm 55 Generic breadth-first search

```
1: function BFS( $G = (V, E)$ ,  $s$ )
2:    $visited[1..n] = \mathbf{false}$ 
3:    $visited[s] = \mathbf{true}$ 
4:    $queue = \text{Queue}()$ 
5:    $queue.push(s)$ 
6:   while  $queue$  is not empty do
7:      $u = queue.pop()$ 
8:     for each vertex  $v$  adjacent to  $u$  do
9:       if not  $visited[v]$  then
10:          $visited[v] = \mathbf{true}$ 
11:          $queue.push(v)$ 
```

Assuming adjacency list representation.

Time Complexity:

- $O(V+E)$

Space Complexity:

- $O(V+E)$

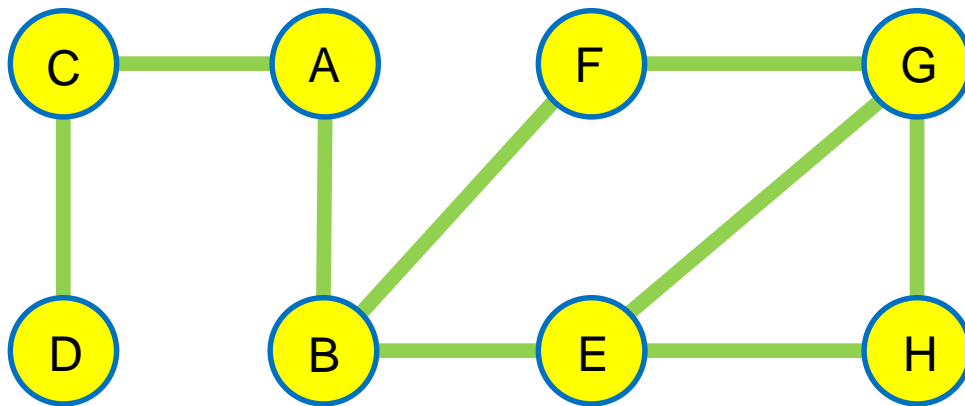
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Example with good data structures

- Now that you have the idea of BFS
- And we have seen how to use a bit list to make it faster
- We will do the DFS example with a bit list
- **BFS should also use a bit list, the example above was just for intuition!**

Depth First Search (DFS)



Visited:



Current:

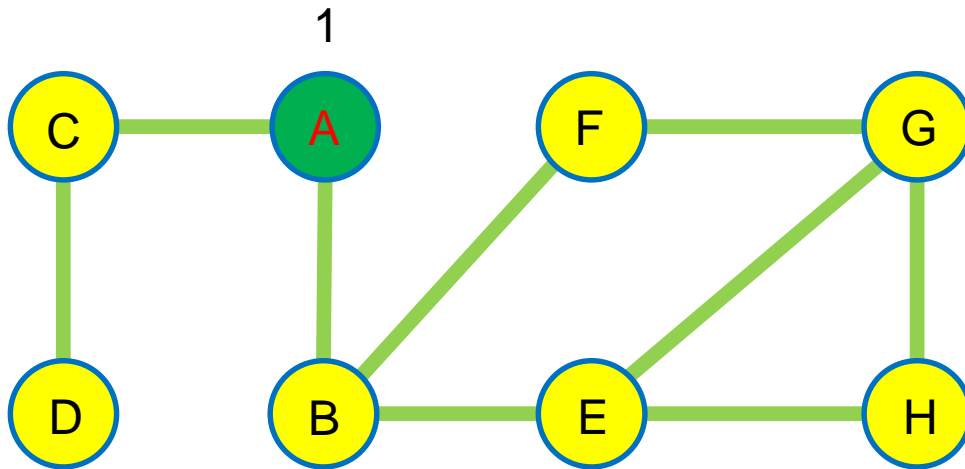
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Visited is indexed by vertex ID.
Normally, the IDs are integers from 0 to $V-1$ (to allow $O(1)$ lookup), but letters are used here for ease of understanding

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Depth First Search (DFS)



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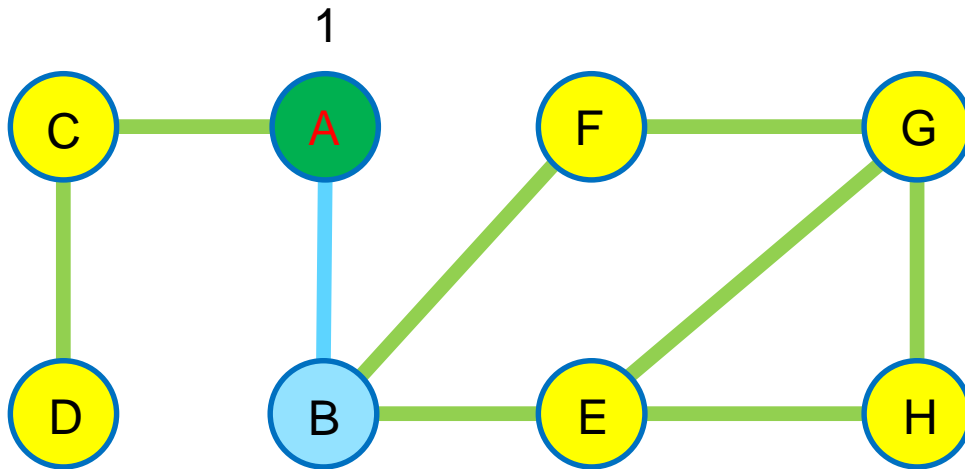
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Depth First Search (DFS)



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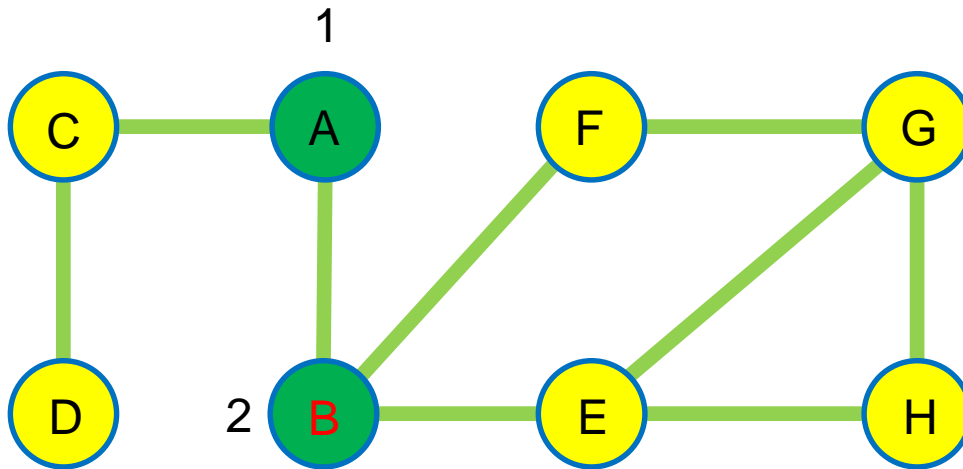
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Depth First Search (DFS)



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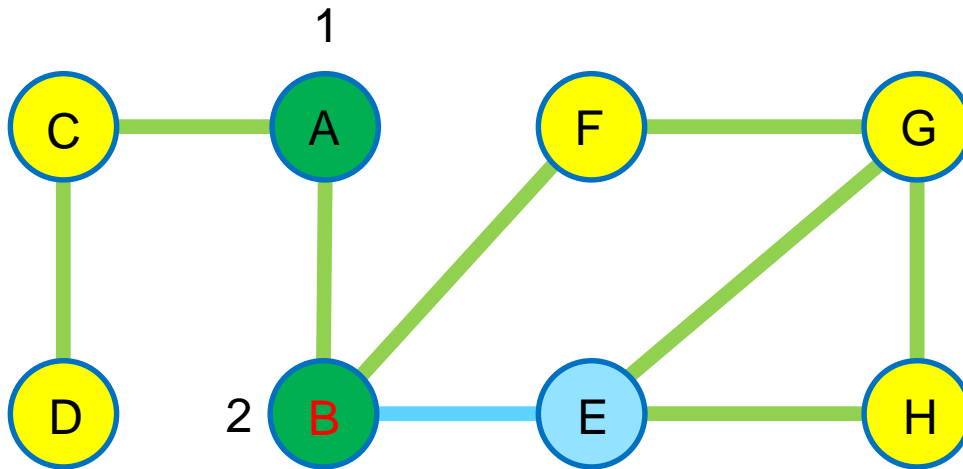
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Depth First Search (DFS)



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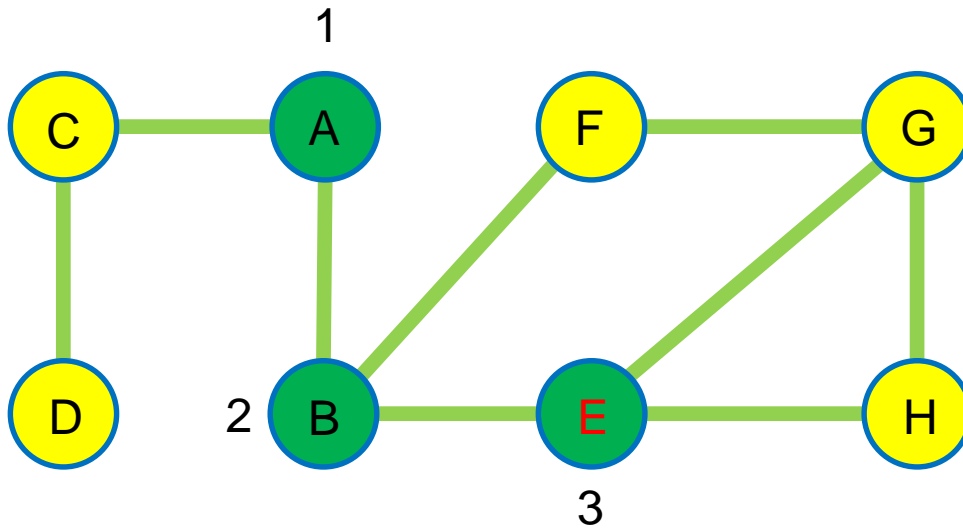
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Depth First Search (DFS)



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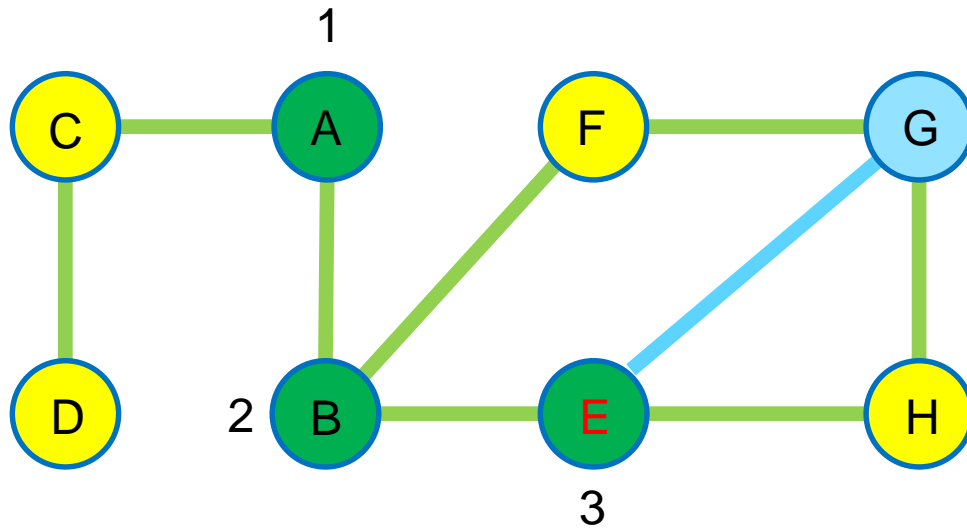
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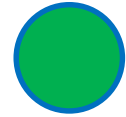
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Depth First Search (DFS)



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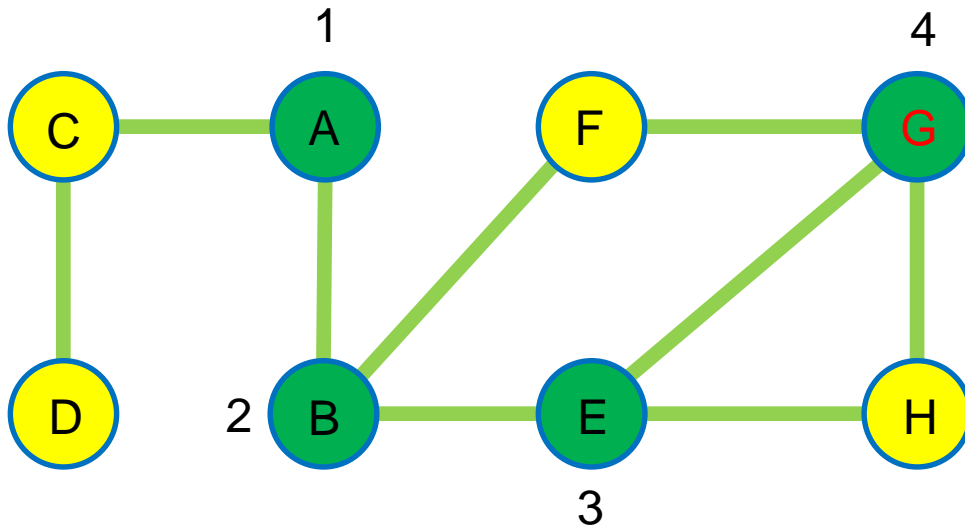
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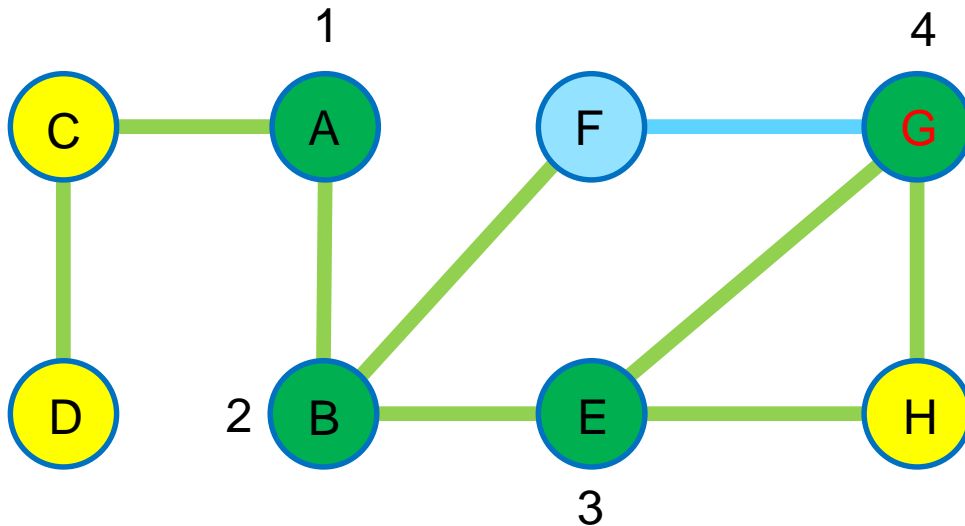
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Depth First Search (DFS)



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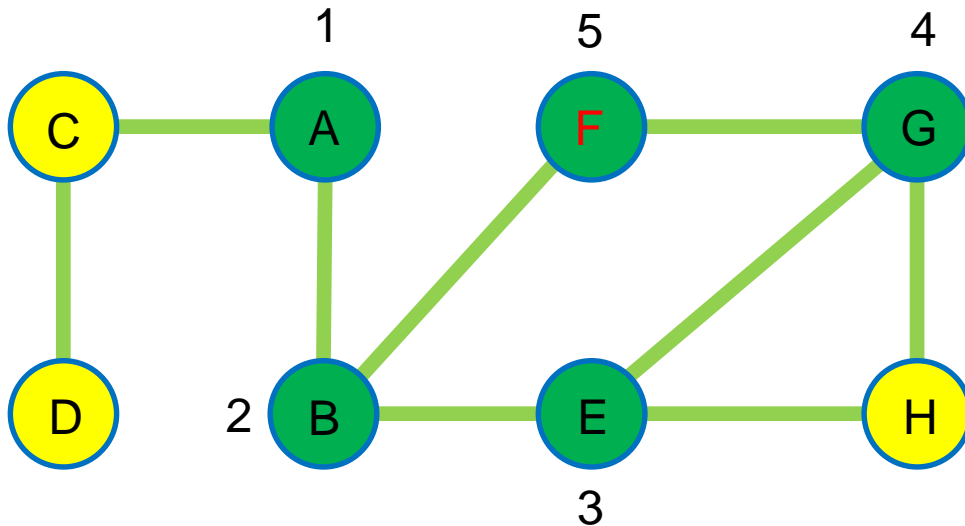
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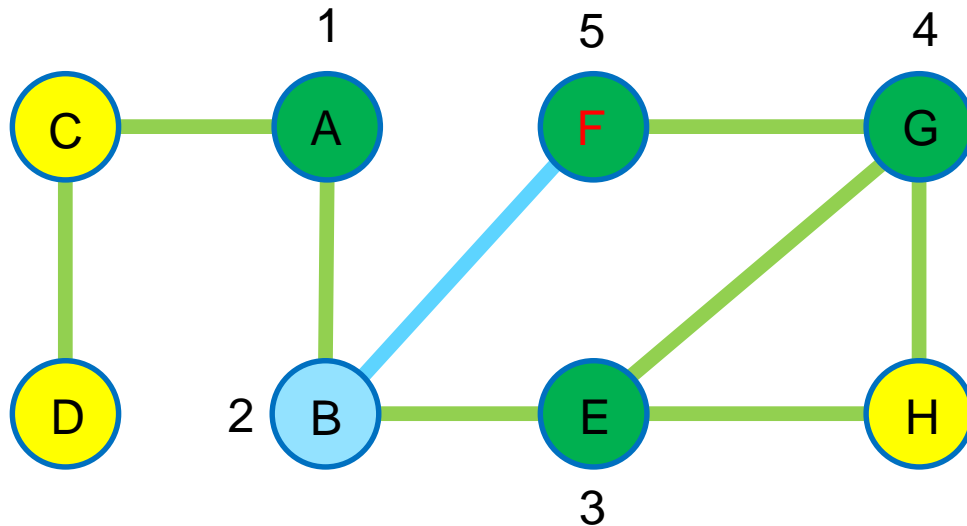
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Depth First Search (DFS)



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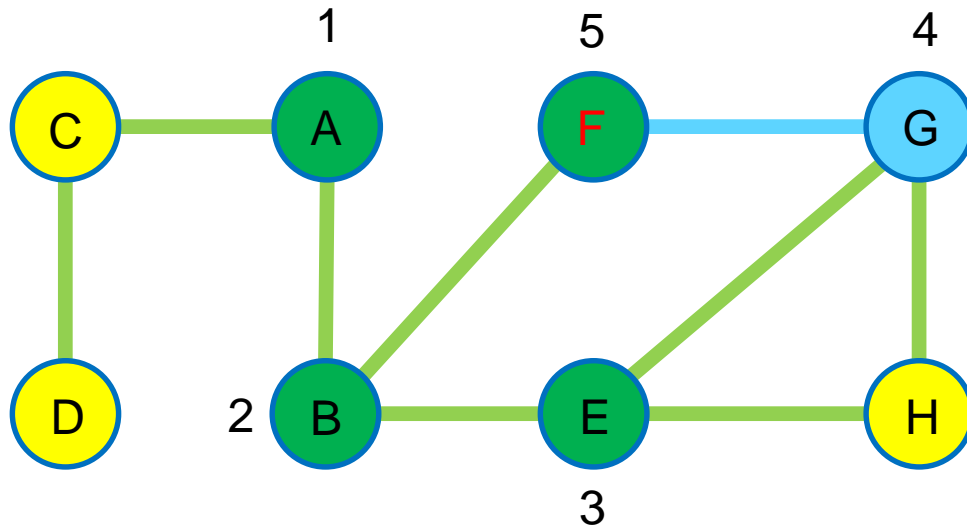
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Depth First Search (DFS)



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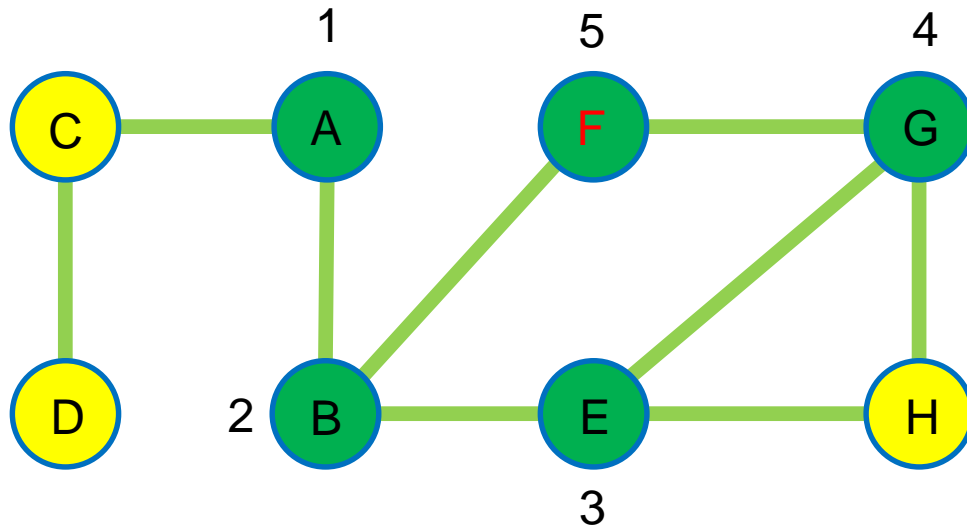
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Depth First Search (DFS)



Current:

F

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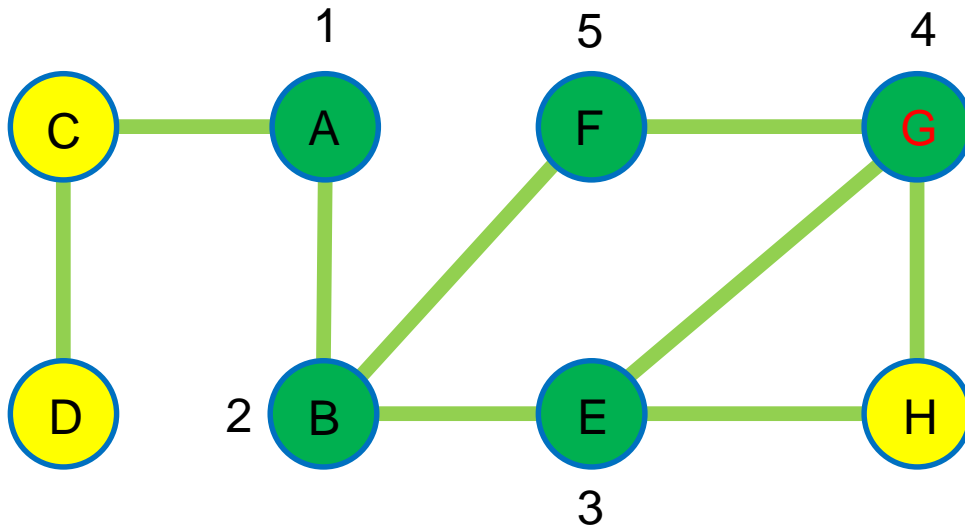


- We have checked all neighbours of F
- It is a dead end
- Go back to the last active node (G)

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Depth First Search (DFS)



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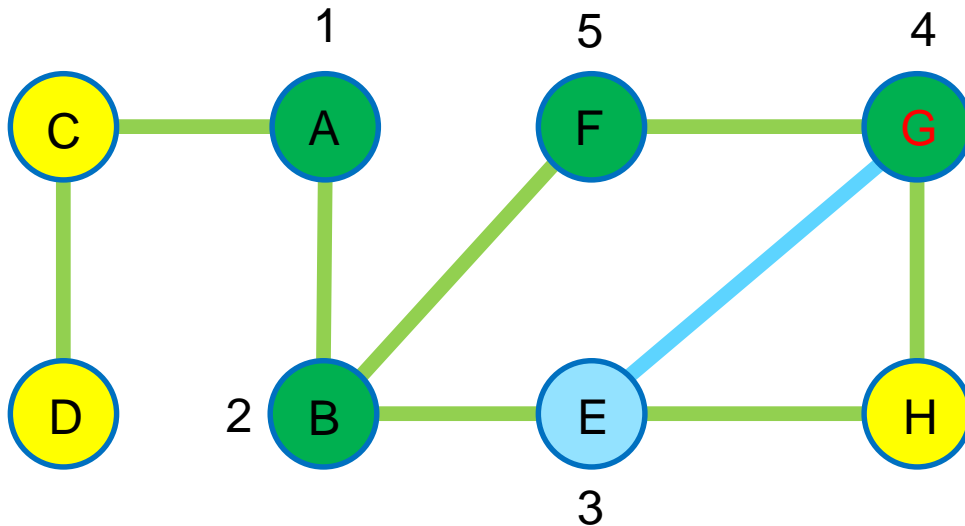
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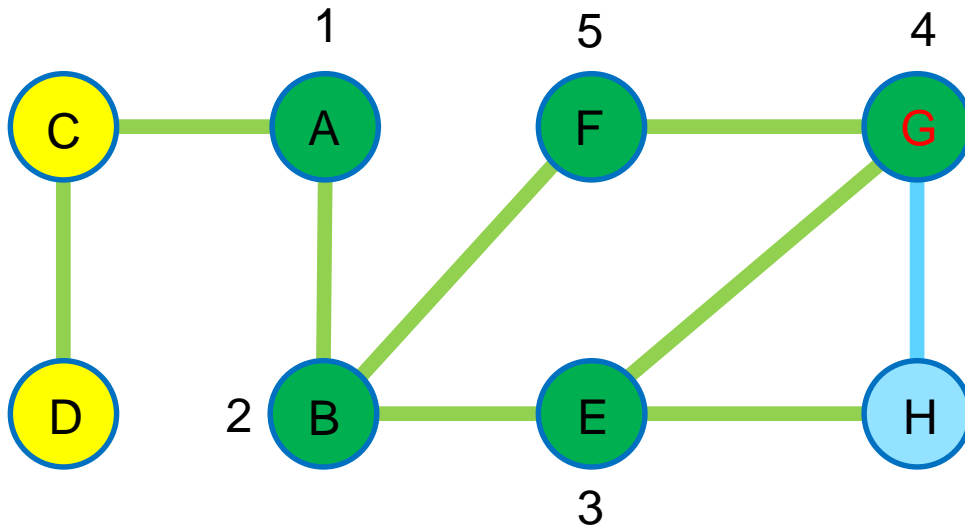
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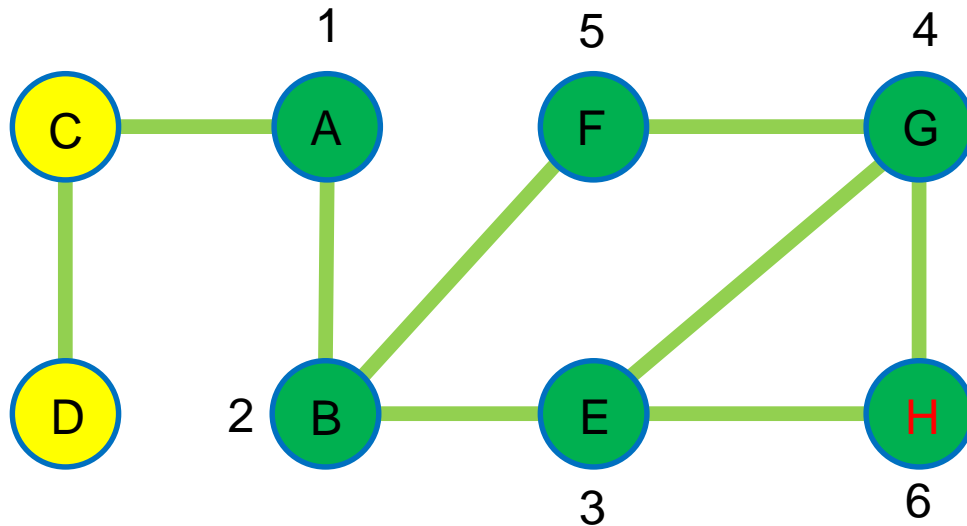
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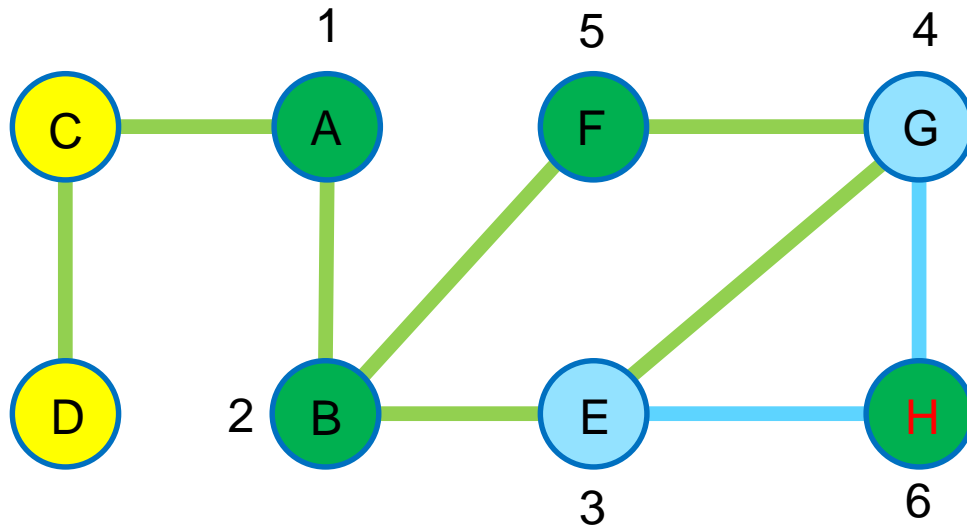
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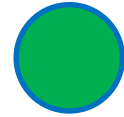
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Depth First Search (DFS)



Visited:



Speeding up
visualisation...

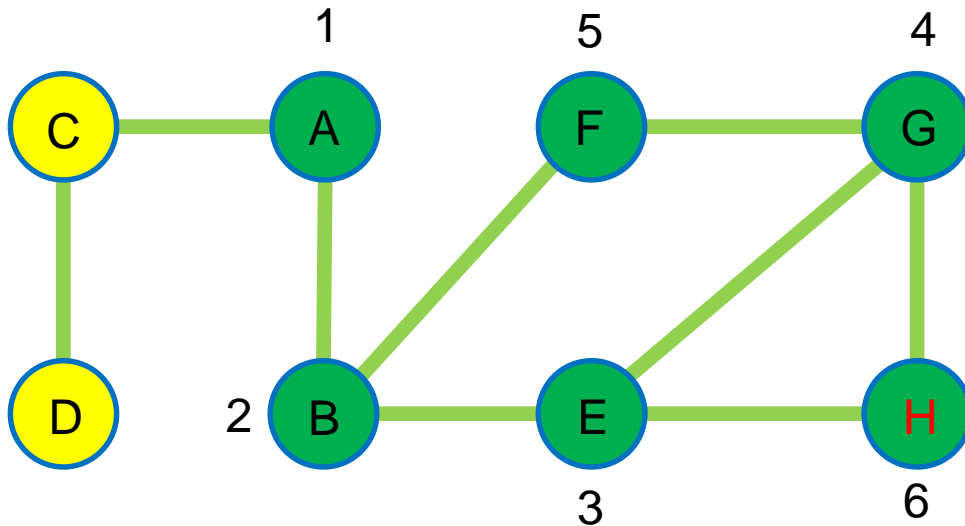
Current:

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Visited:

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Depth First Search (DFS)



Visited:



- H is a dead end
- Going back to G, it is also a dead end
- Go back to E

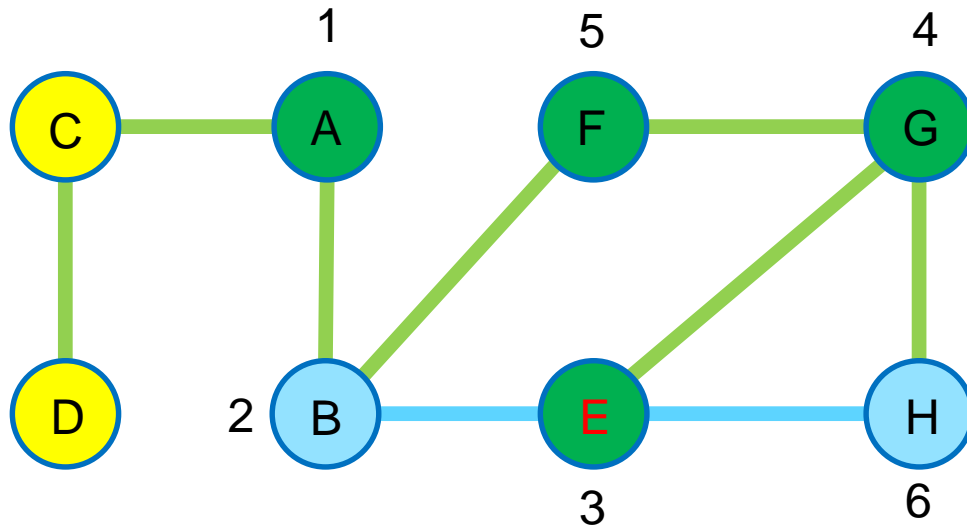
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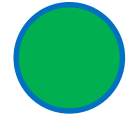
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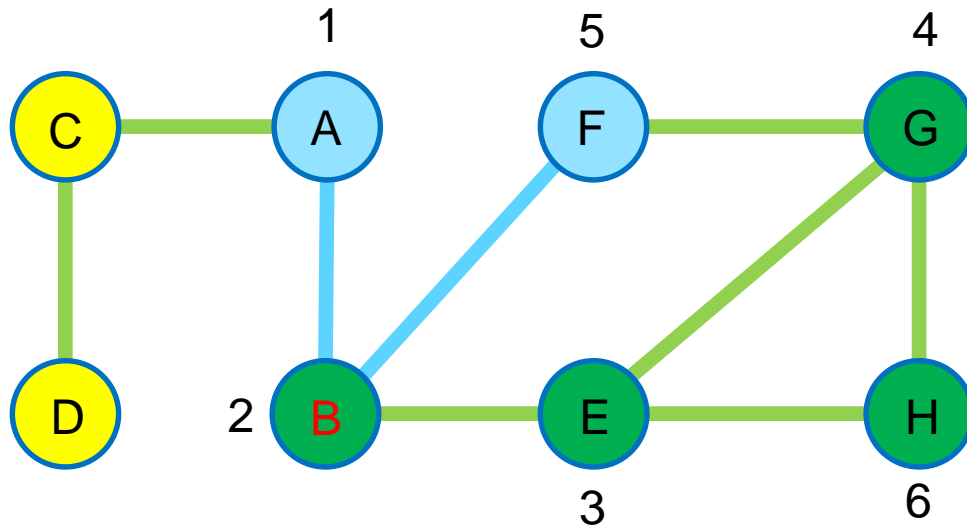
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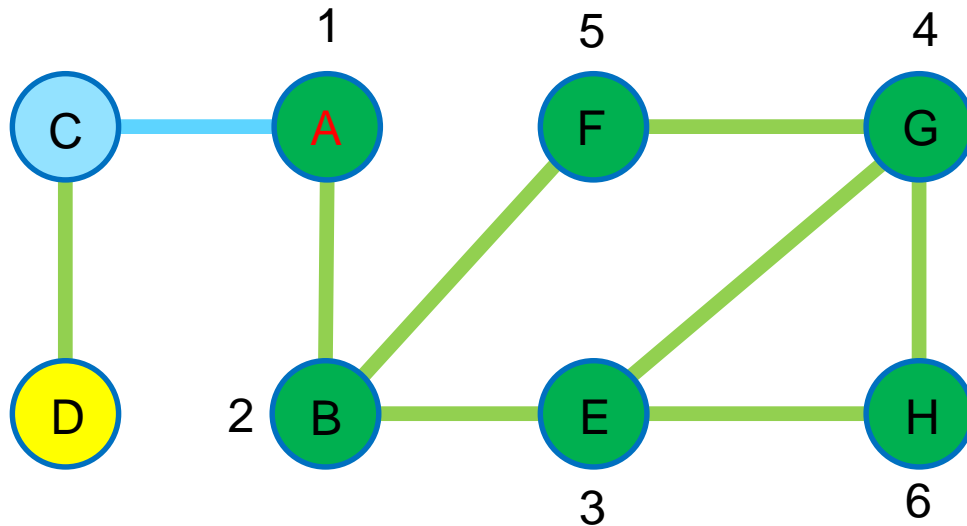
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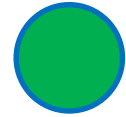
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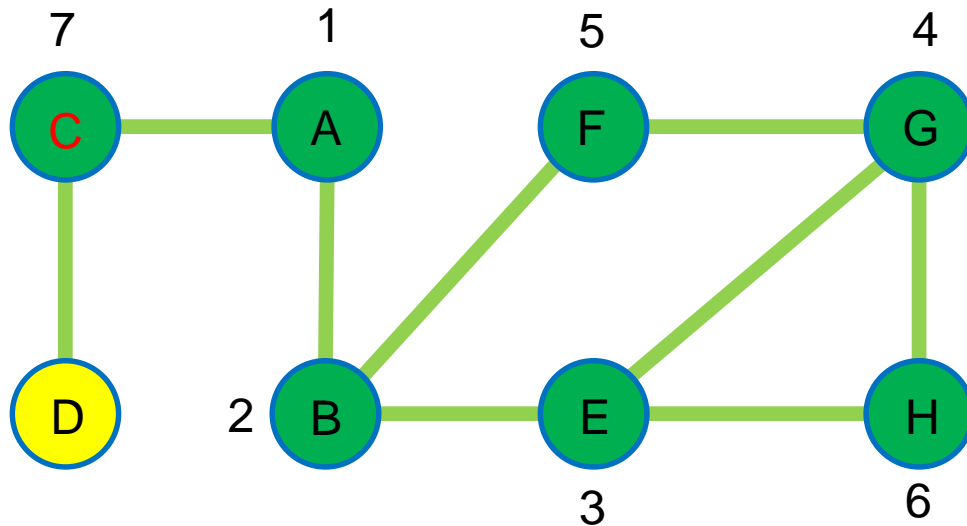
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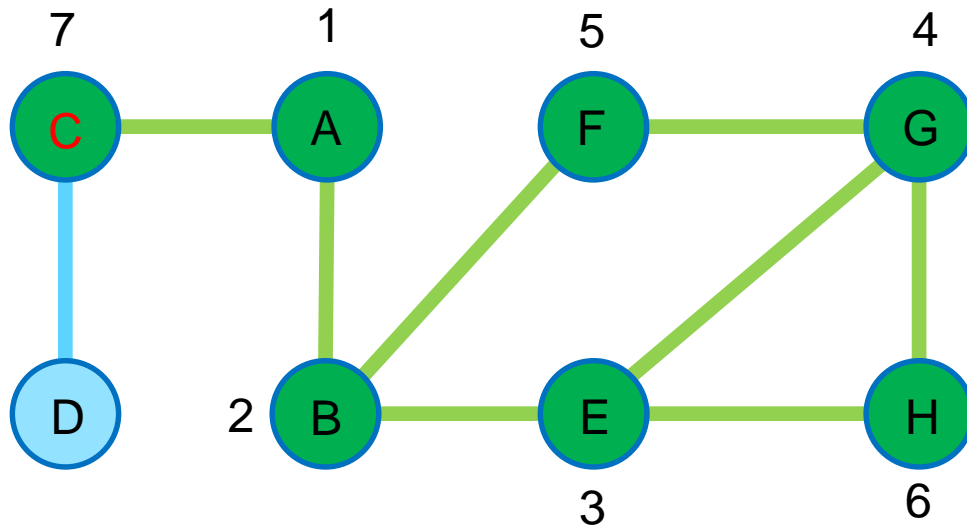
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Depth First Search (DFS)



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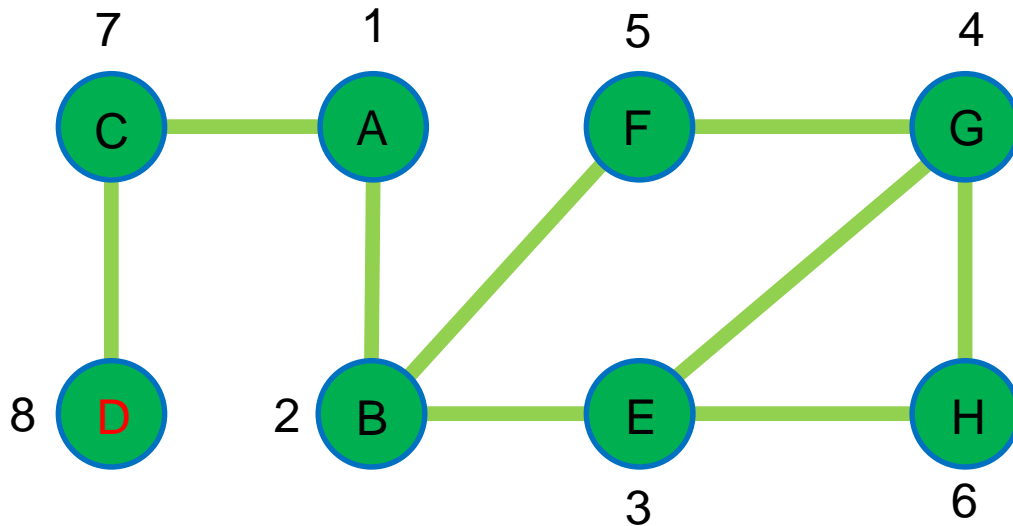
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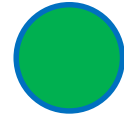
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Depth First Search (DFS)



Visited:



Current:

D

Visited:

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1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Depth First Search (DFS)

Algorithm 52 Generic depth-first search

```
1: // Driver function that calls DFS until everything has been visited
2: function TRAVERSE( $G = (V, E)$ )
3:    $visited[1..n] = \text{false}$ 
4:   for each vertex  $u = 1$  to  $n$  do
5:     if not  $visited[u]$  then
6:       DFS( $u$ )
7:
8: function DFS( $u$ )
9:    $visited[u] = \text{true}$ 
10:  for each vertex  $v$  adjacent to  $u$  do
11:    if not  $visited[v]$  then
12:      DFS( $v$ )
```

Assuming adjacency list representation.

Time Complexity:

- Each vertex visited at most once
- Each edge accessed at most twice (once when u is visited once when v is visited)
- Total cost: $O(V+E)$

Space Complexity:

- $O(V + E)$

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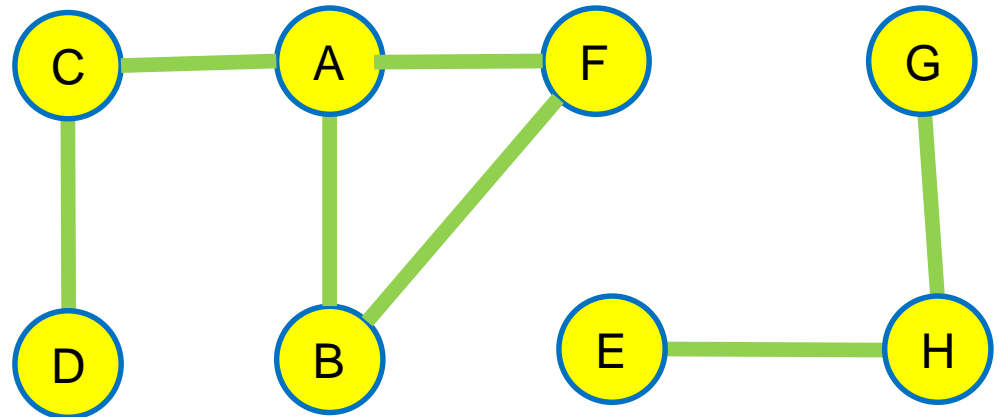
Applications of DFS and BFS

The algorithms we saw can also be applied on directed graphs.

BFS and DFS have a wide variety of applications

- Reachability
- Finding all connected components
- Finding cycles
- Topological sort (week 11)
- Shortest paths on unweighted graphs
- ...

More details are given in unit notes and tutorials



Shortest Path Problem

Length of a path:

For **unweighted graphs**, the length of a path is the number of edges along the path.

For **weighted graphs**, the length of a path is the sum of weights of the edges along the path.

Shortest Path Problem

Single sources single target:

Given a source vertex s and a target vertex t , return the shortest path from s to t .

Single source all targets:

Given a source vertex s , return the shortest paths to every other vertex in the graph.

We will focus on single source all targets problem because the single source single target problem is subsumed by it.

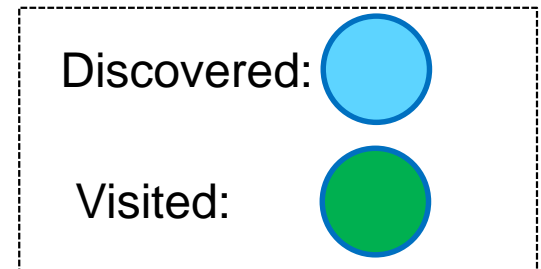
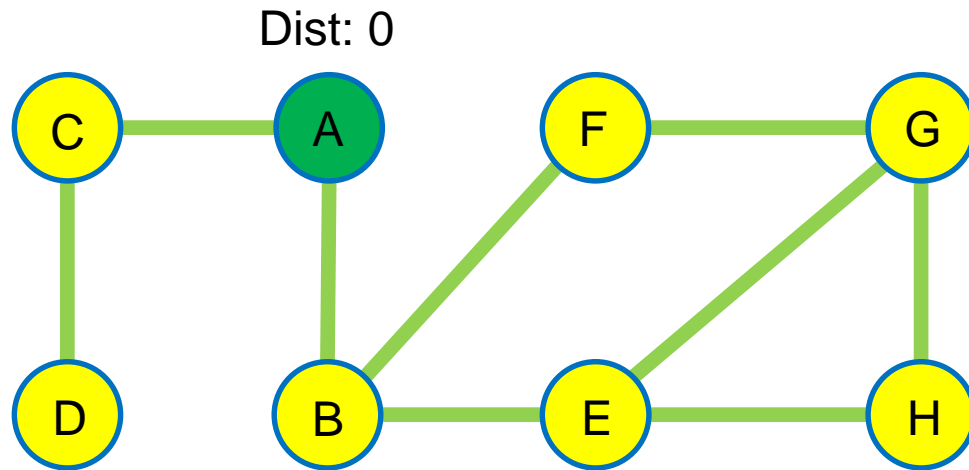
Shortest Path Algorithms

- Breadth First Search – (Single source, unweighted graphs)
- Dijkstra's Algorithm – (Single Source, weighted graphs with only non-negative weights)
- Bellman Ford Algorithm – (Single source, weighted graphs including negative weights)
- Floyd-Warshall Algorithm – (All pairs, weighted graphs including negative weights)

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BFS shortest path (now with good data structures)



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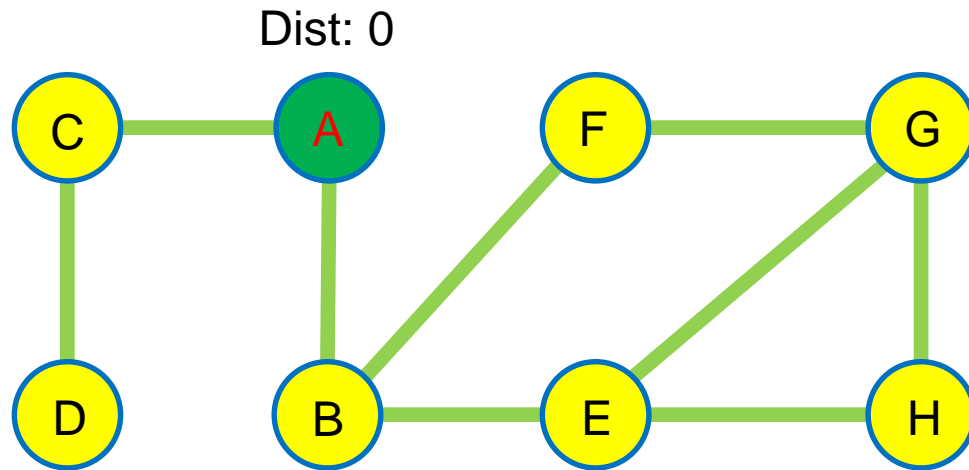
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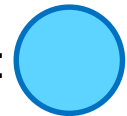
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BFS shortest path (now with good data structures)



Discovered:



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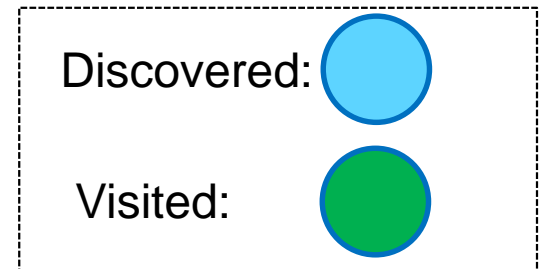
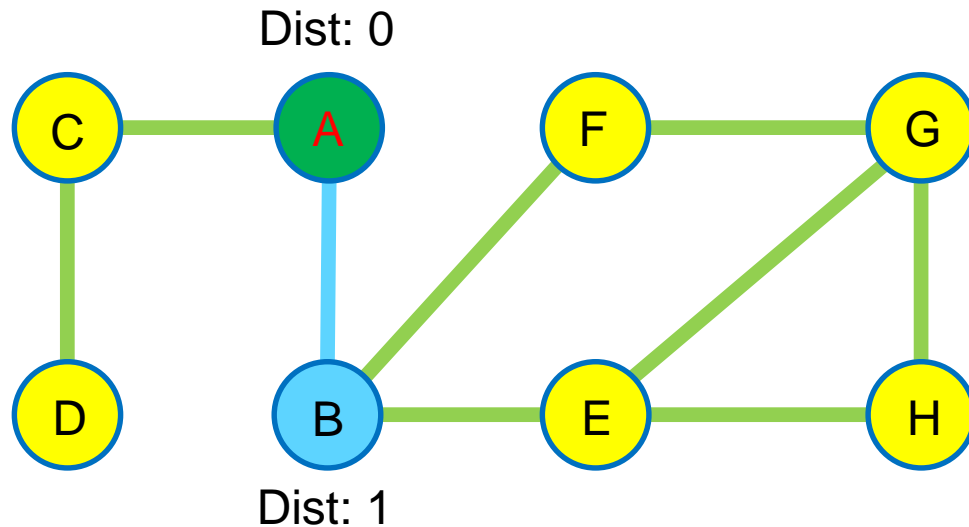
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BFS shortest path (now with good data structures)



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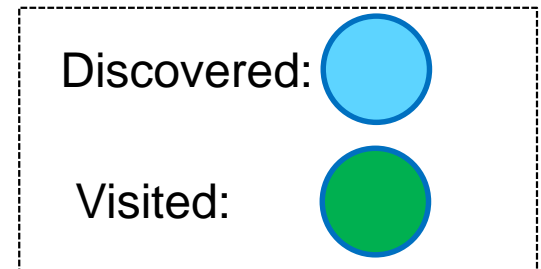
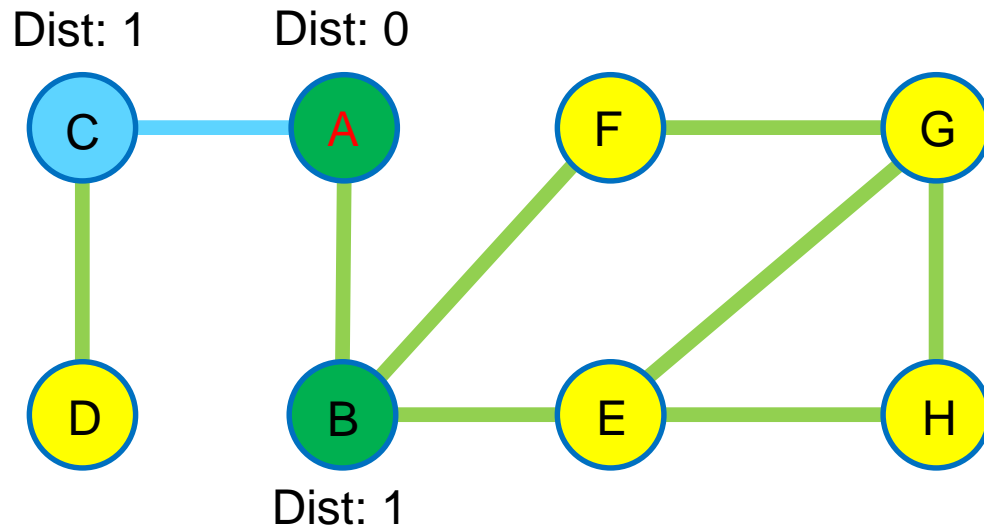
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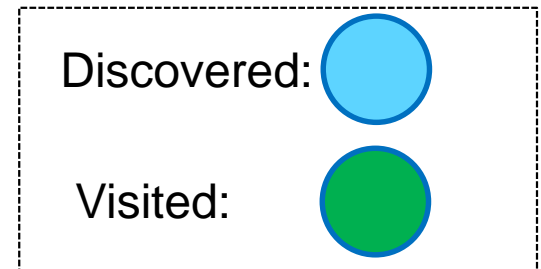
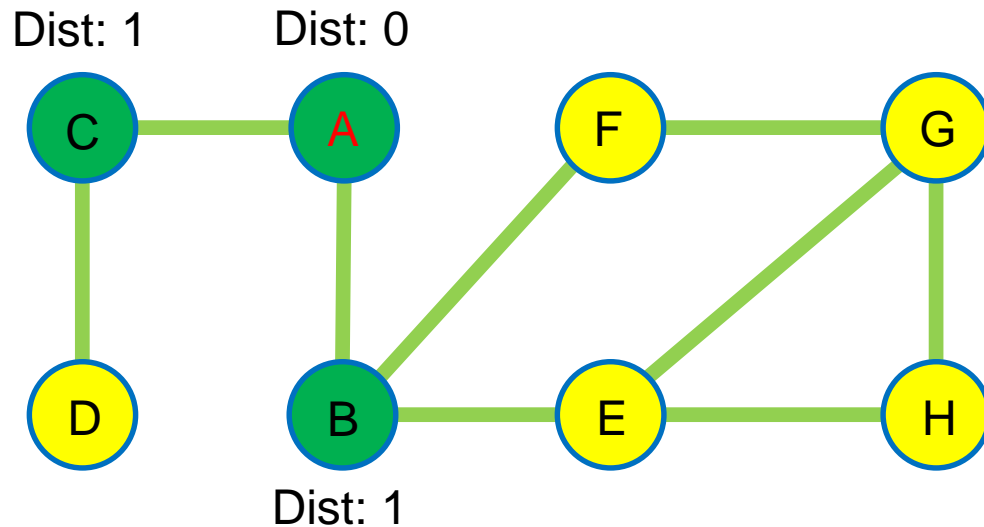
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BFS shortest path (now with good data structures)



u (current):

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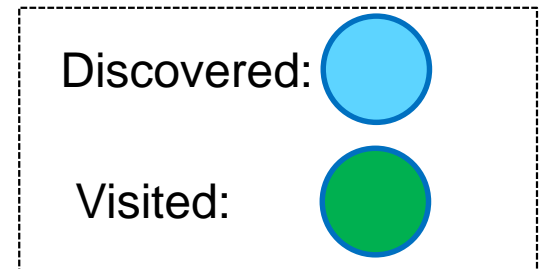
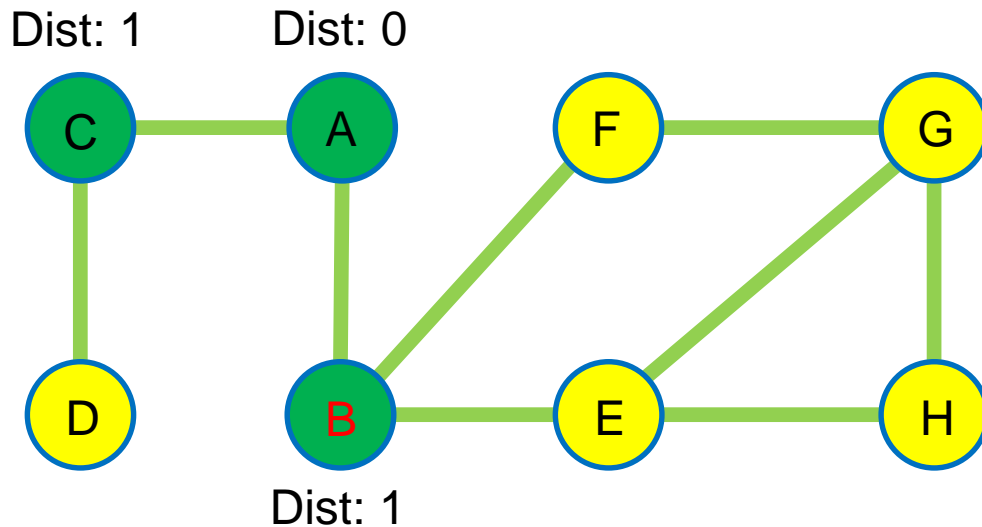
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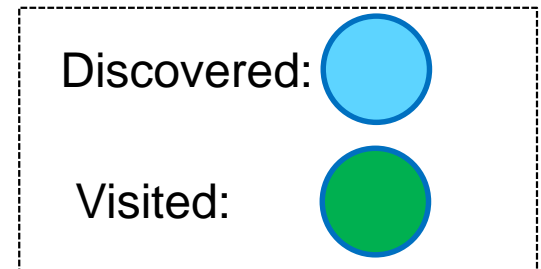
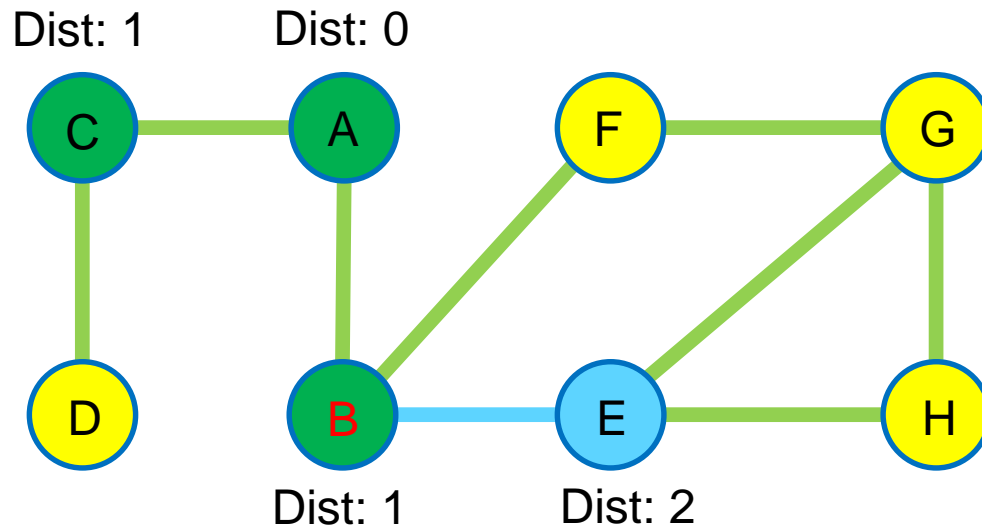
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BFS shortest path (now with good data structures)



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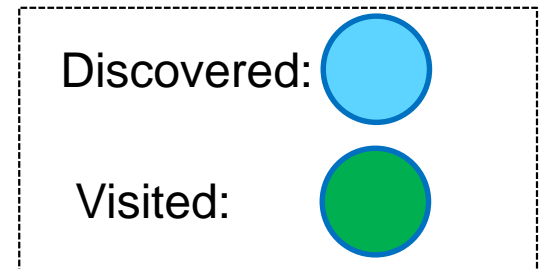
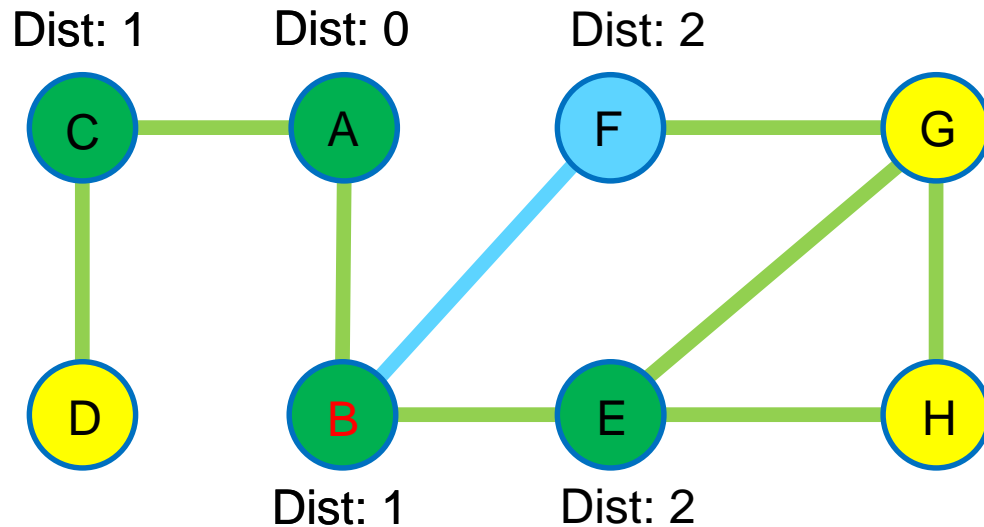
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BFS shortest path (now with good data structures)



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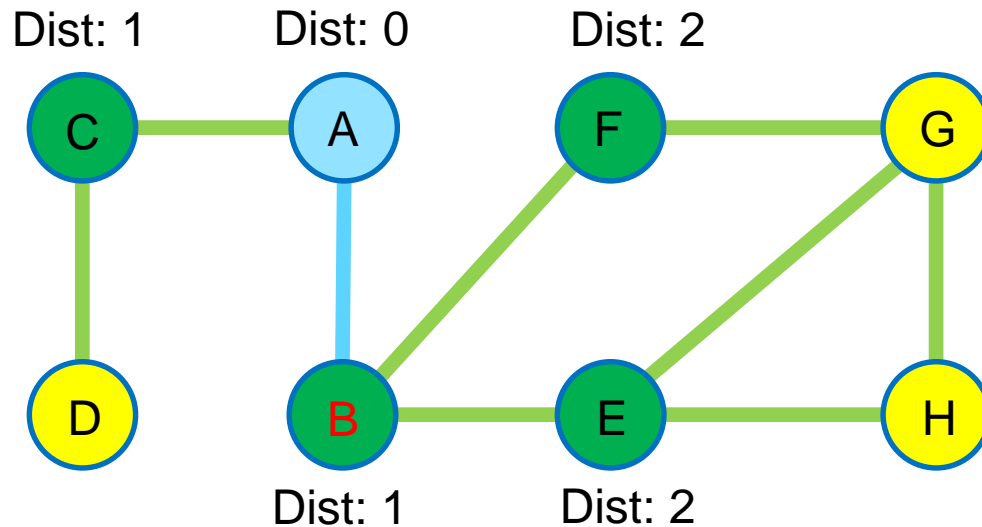
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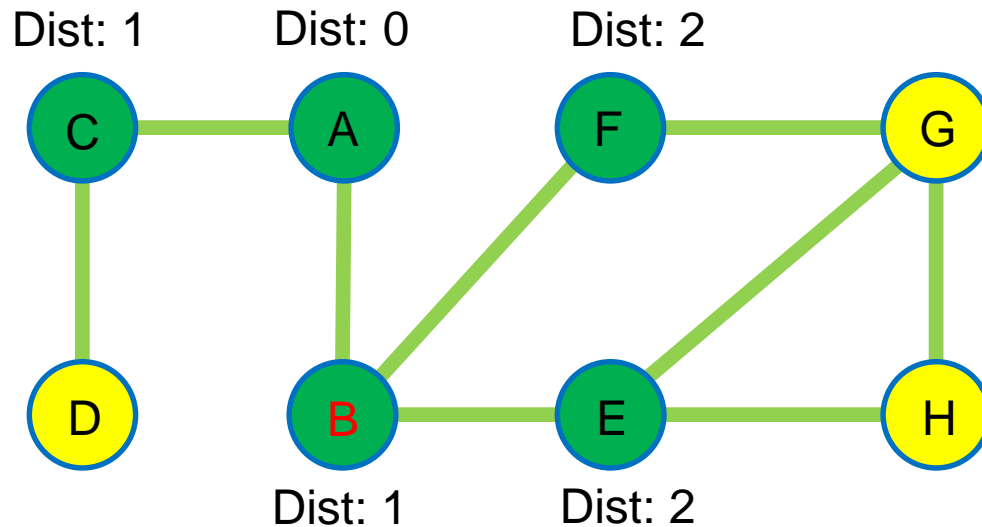
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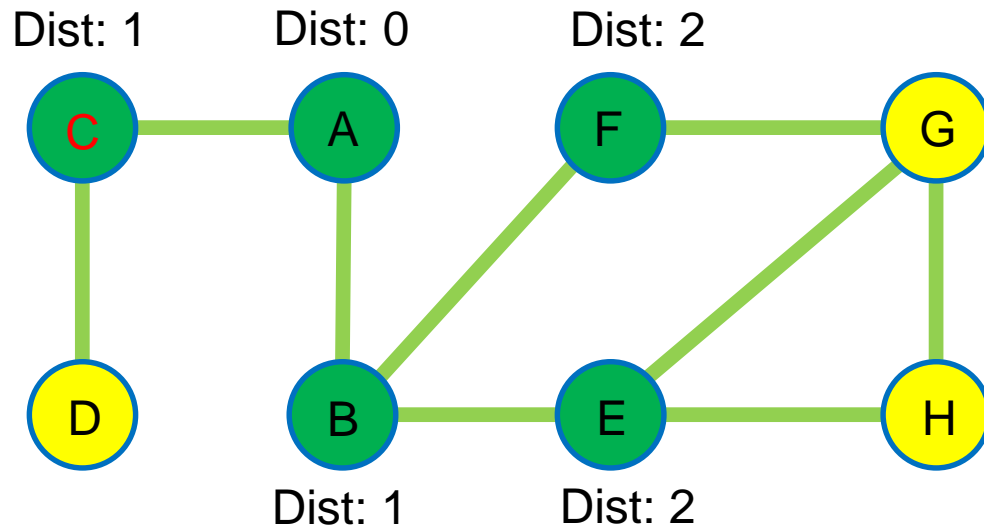
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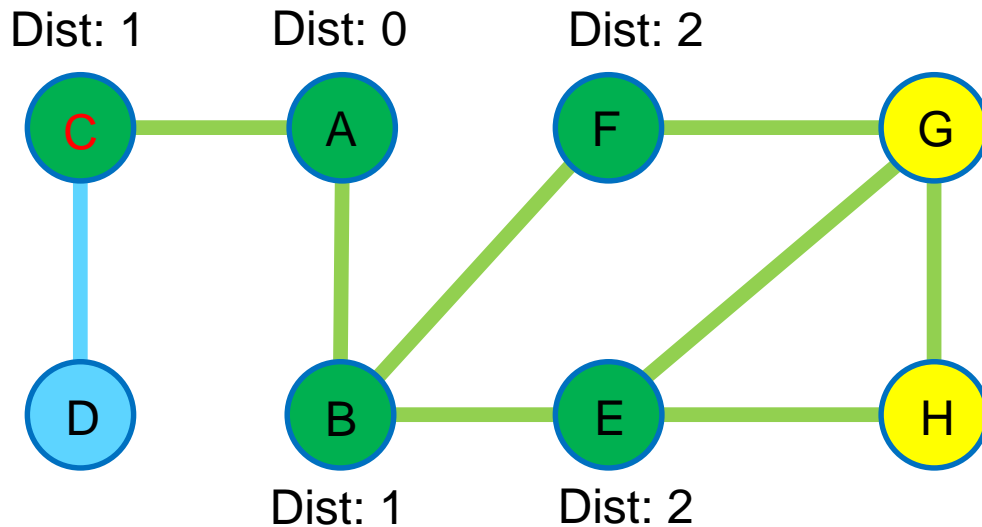
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BFS shortest path (now with good data structures)



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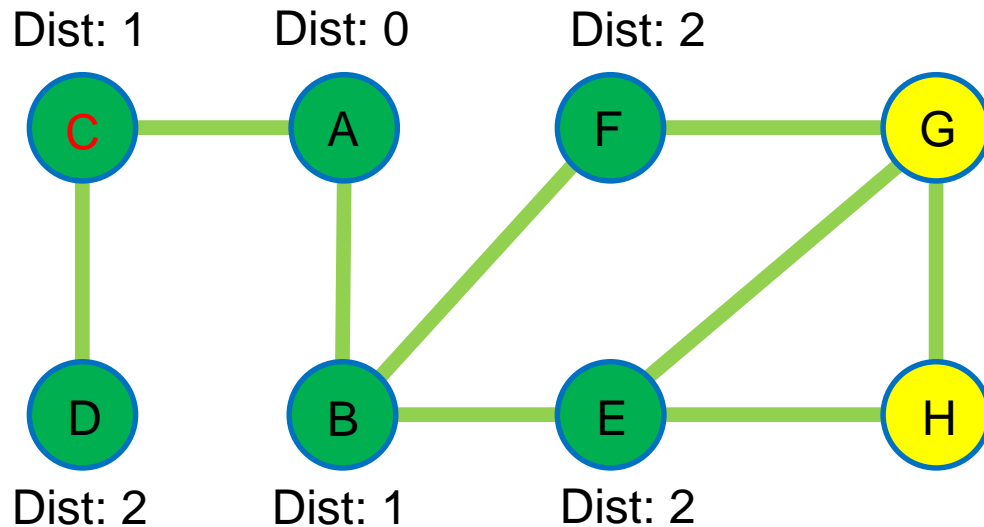
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BFS shortest path (now with good data structures)



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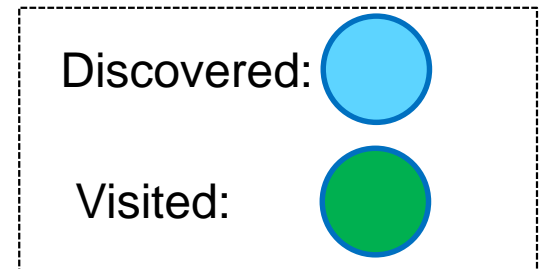
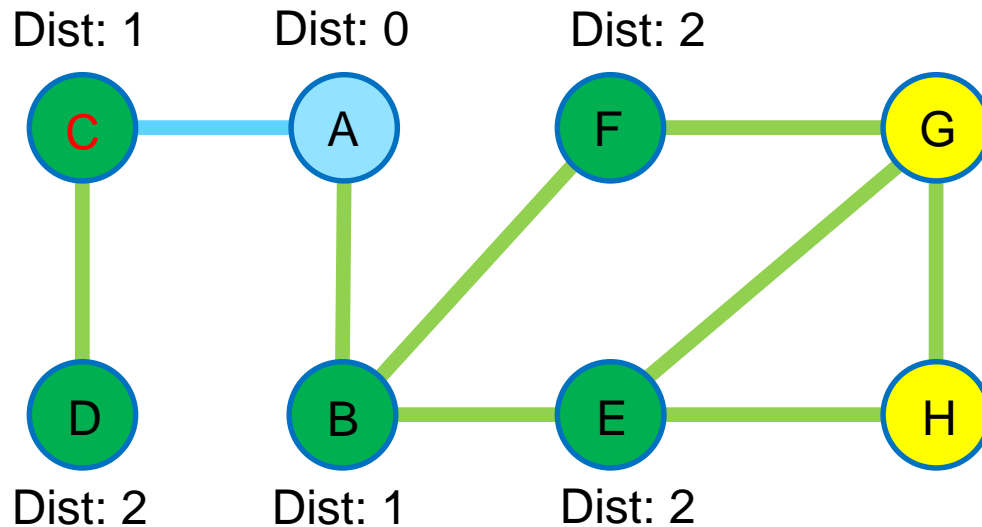
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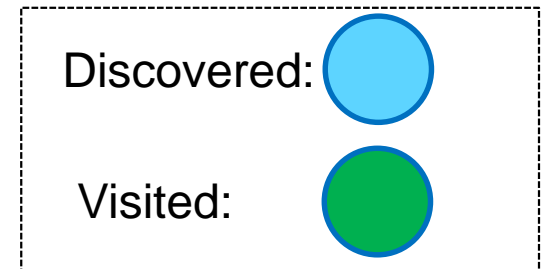
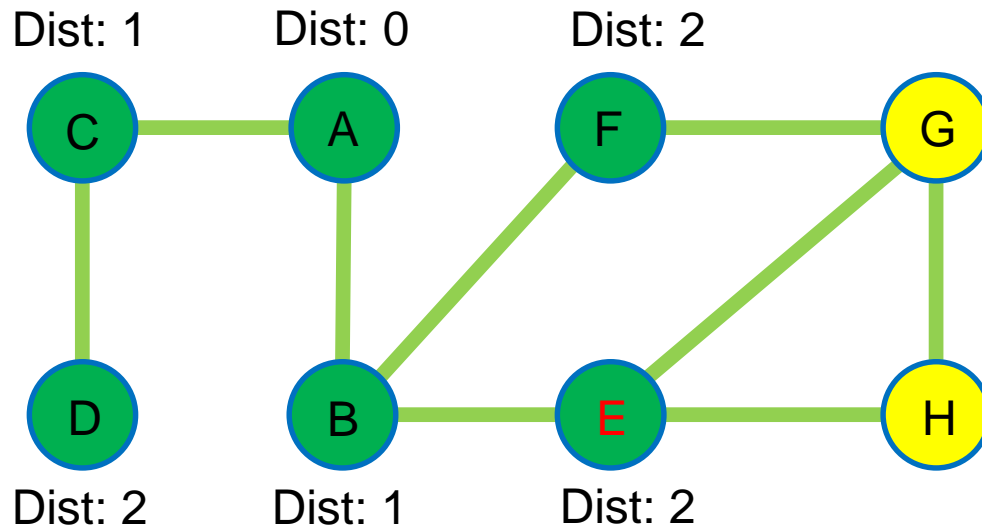
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BFS shortest path (now with good data structures)



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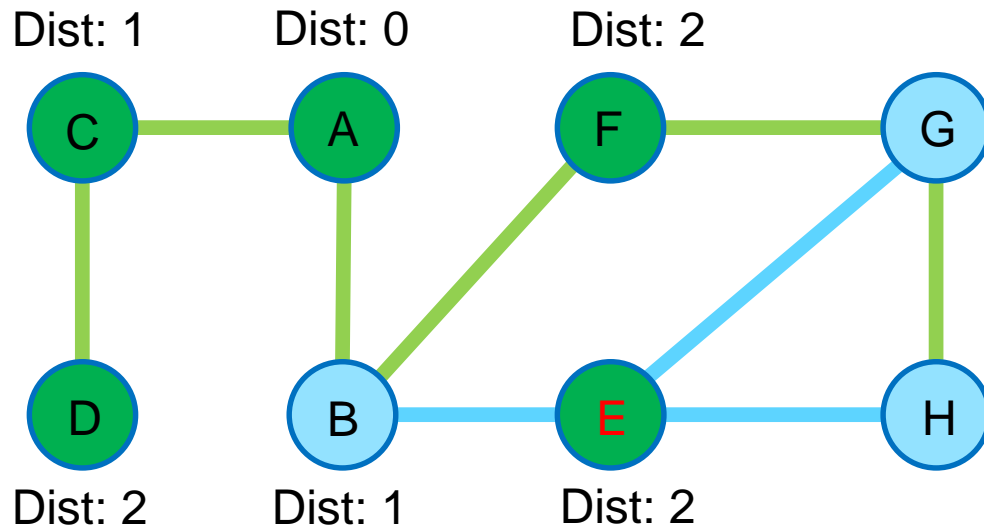
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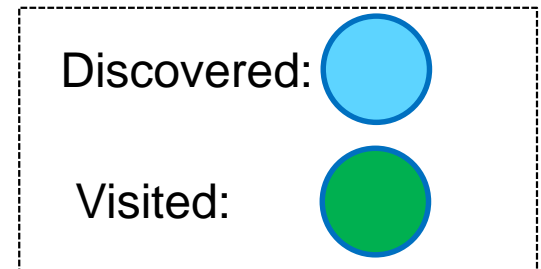
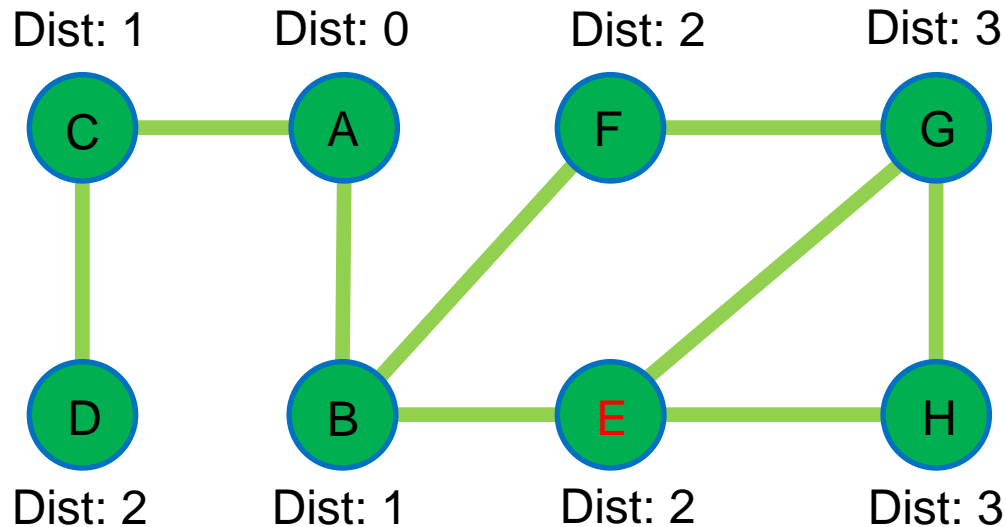
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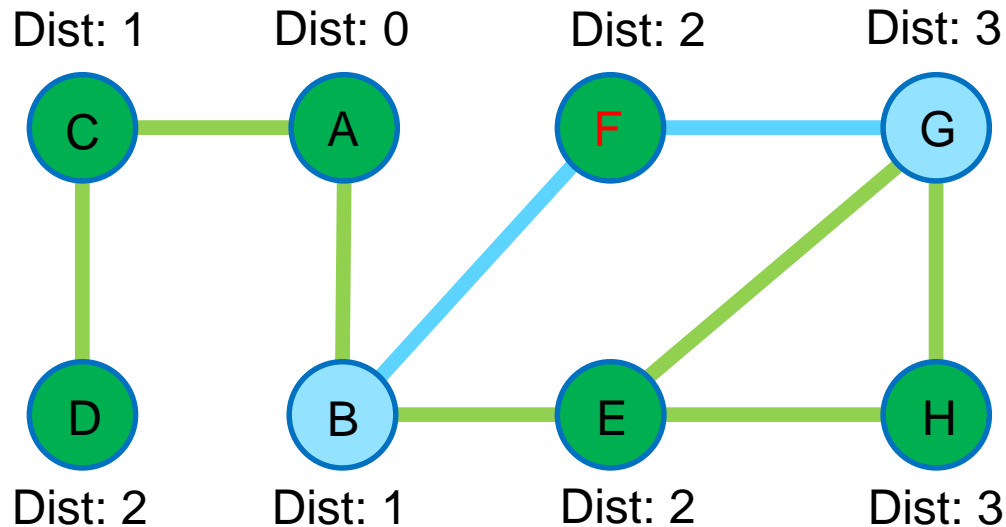
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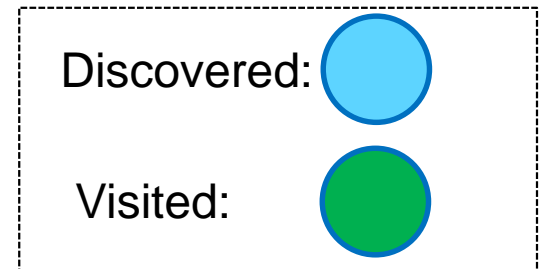
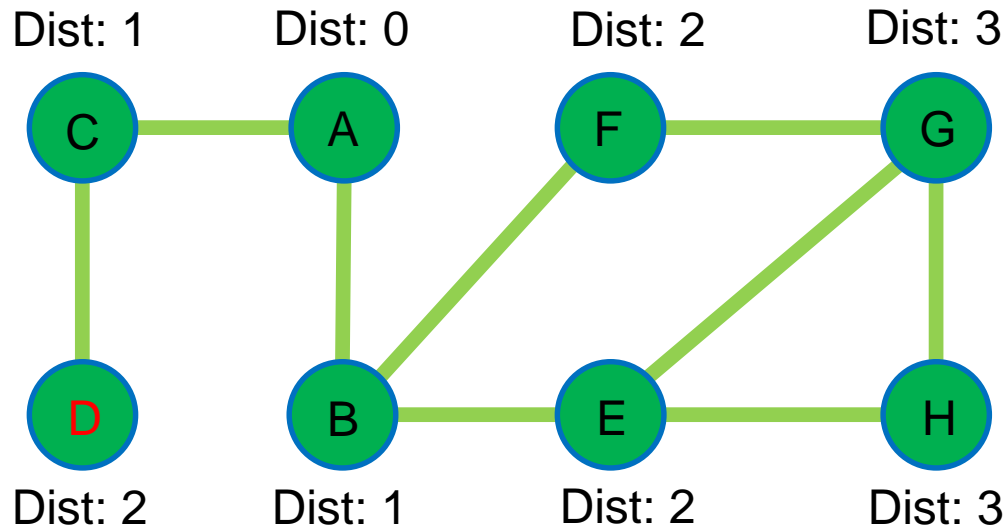
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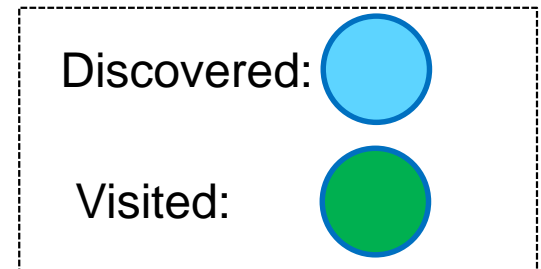
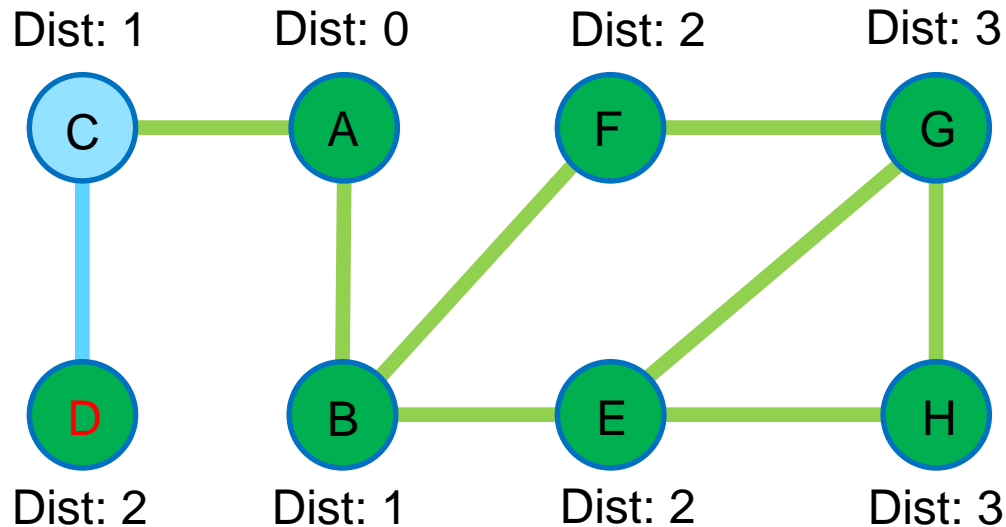
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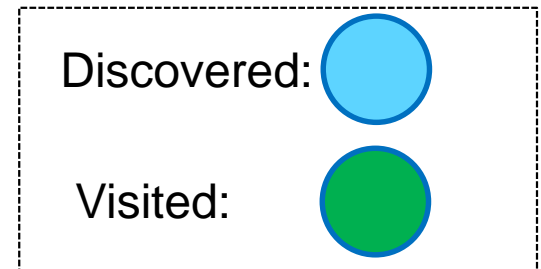
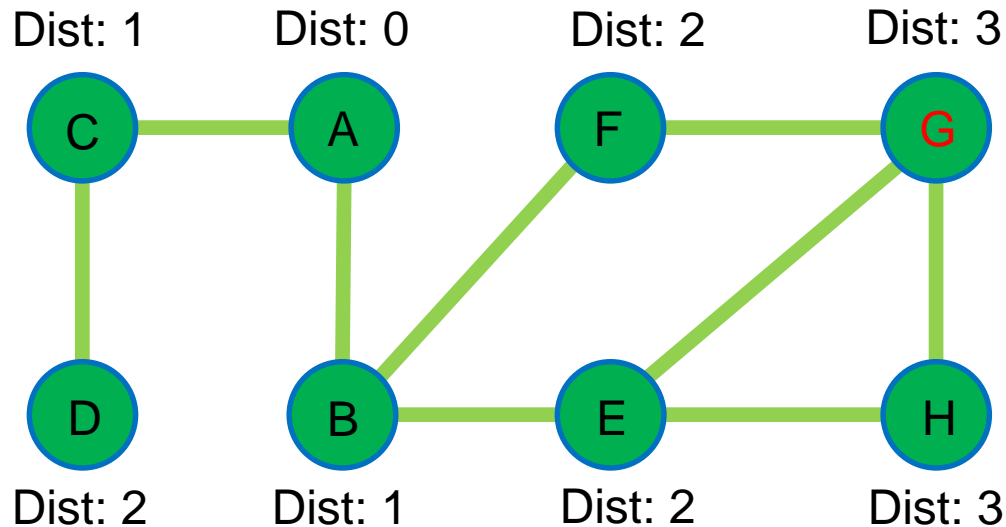
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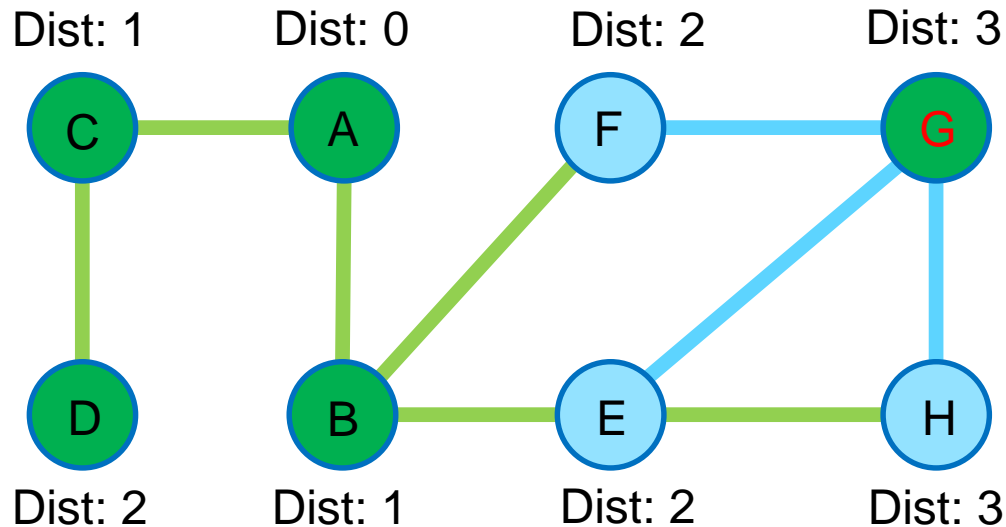
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BFS shortest path (now with good data structures)



u (current):

G

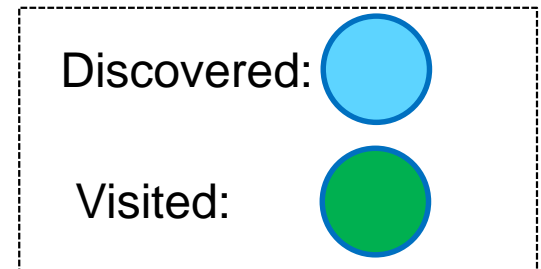
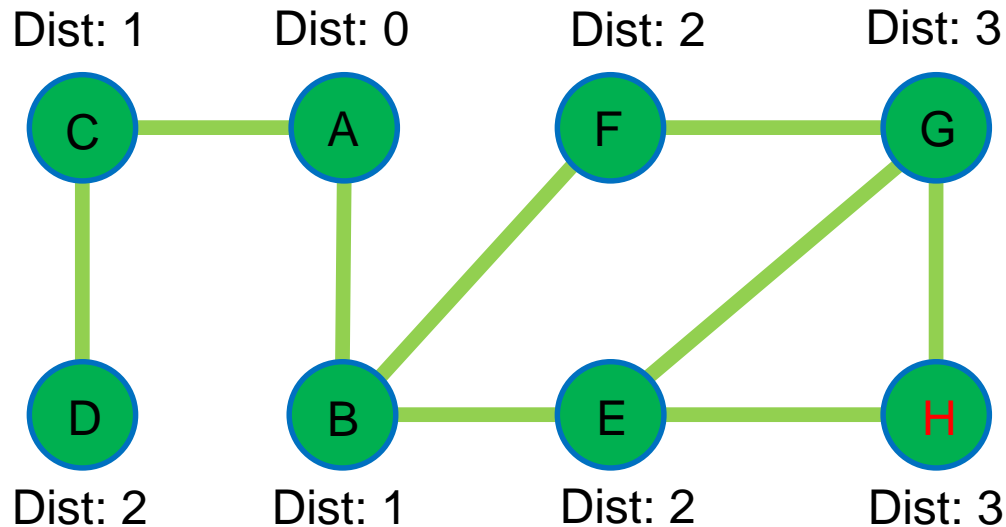
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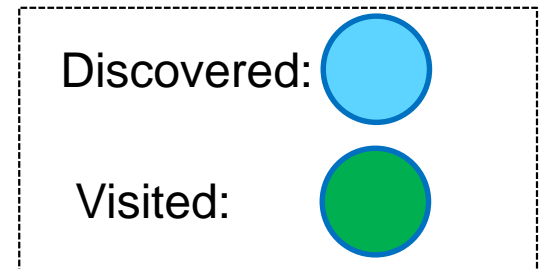
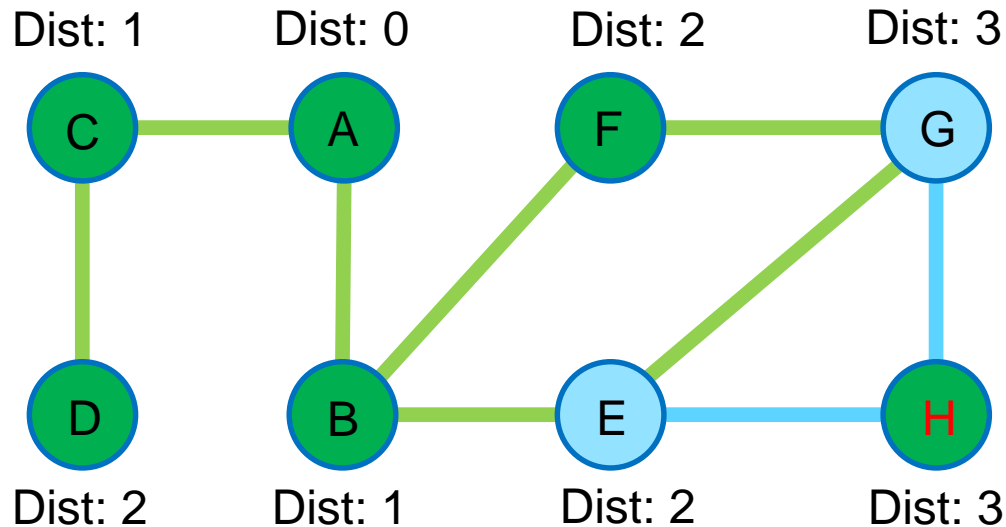
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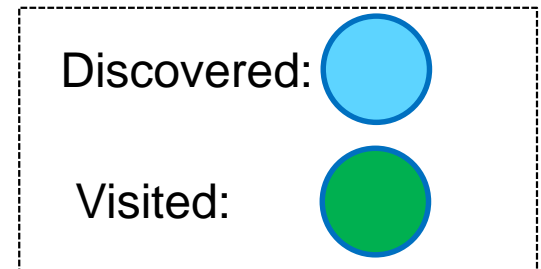
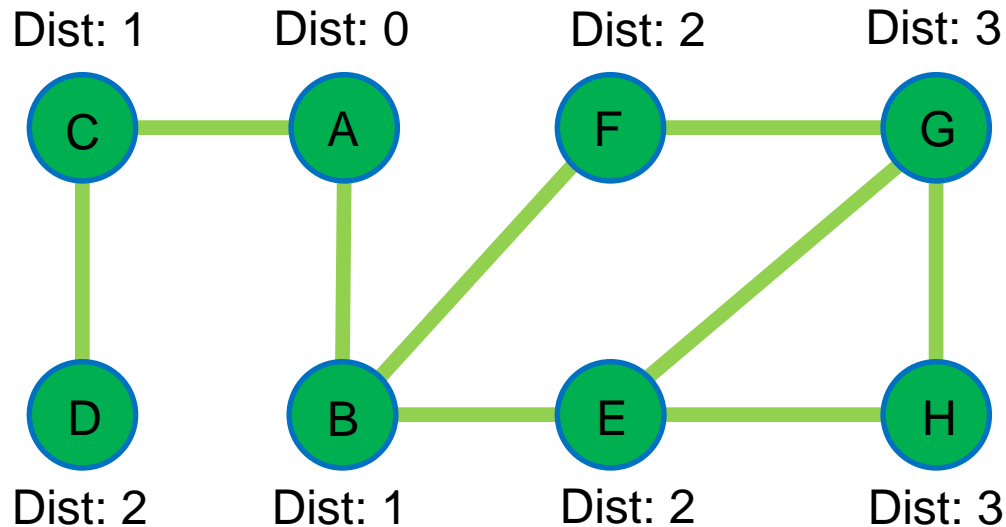
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BFS shortest path (now with good data structures)



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Unweighted shortest paths

Algorithm 56 Single-source shortest paths in an unweighted graph

```
1: function BFS( $G = (V, E)$ ,  $s$ )
2:    $dist[1..n] = \infty$ 
3:    $pred[1..n] = \mathbf{null}$ 
4:    $queue = \mathbf{Queue}()$ 
5:    $queue.push(s)$ 
6:    $dist[s] = 0$ 
7:   while  $queue$  is not empty do
8:      $u = queue.pop()$ 
9:     for each vertex  $v$  adjacent to  $u$  do
10:      if  $dist[v] = \infty$  then
11:         $dist[v] = dist[u] + 1$ 
12:         $pred[v] = u$ 
13:         $queue.push(v)$ 
```

Note that distances are stored in an $O(1)$ lookup structure

Complexity is the same as regular BFS, $O(V+E)$

Distances are set by lookup at the distance of the current vertex and adding 1

Outline

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Google search for "most popular algorithms" showing results from Medium.

Here I've put together a little list, in no particular order.

- Merge Sort, Quick Sort and Heap Sort. ...
- Fourier Transform and Fast Fourier Transform. ...
- Dijkstra's algorithm. ...
- RSA algorithm. ...
- Secure Hash Algorithm. ...
- Integer factorization. ...
- Link Analysis. ...
- Proportional Integral Derivative Algorithm.

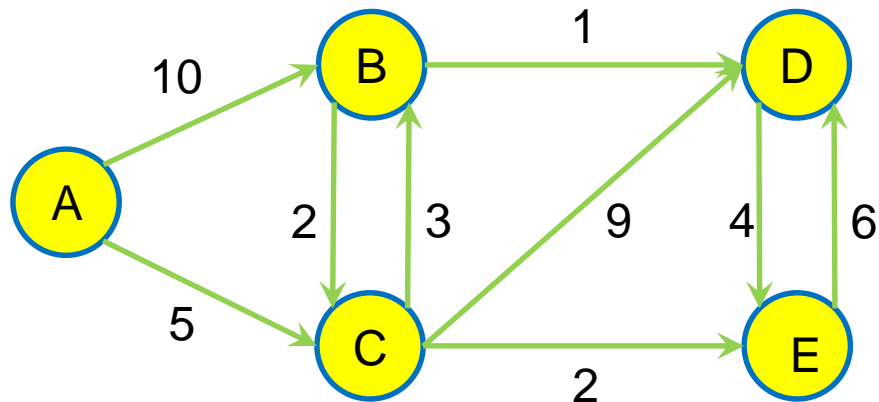
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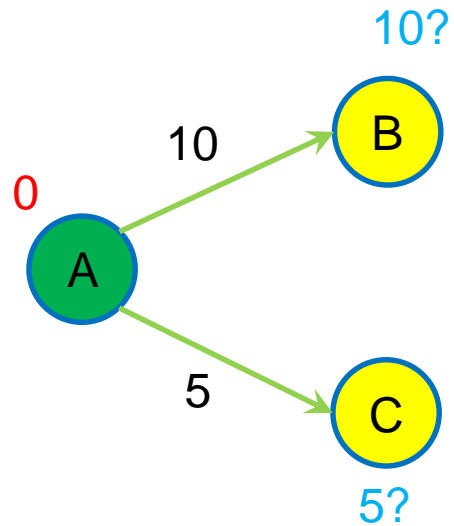
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Merge sort	$n \log n$	$n \log n$	$n \log n$	Need case in file	Yes
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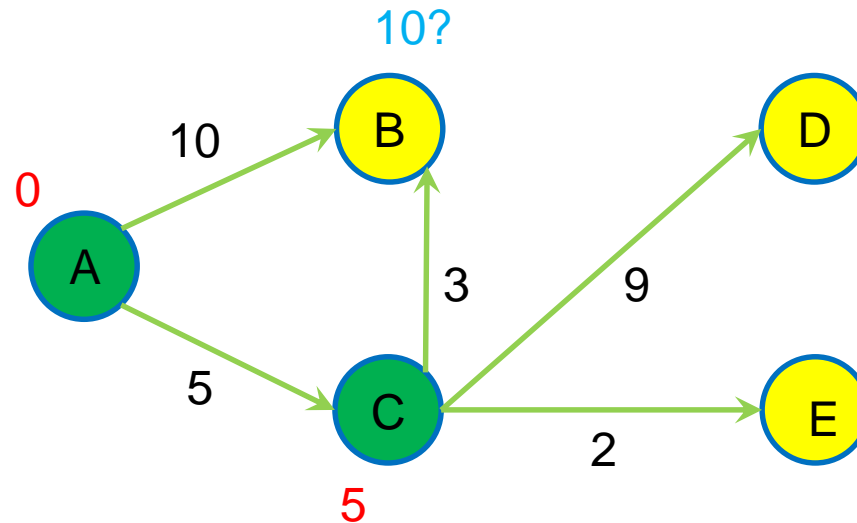
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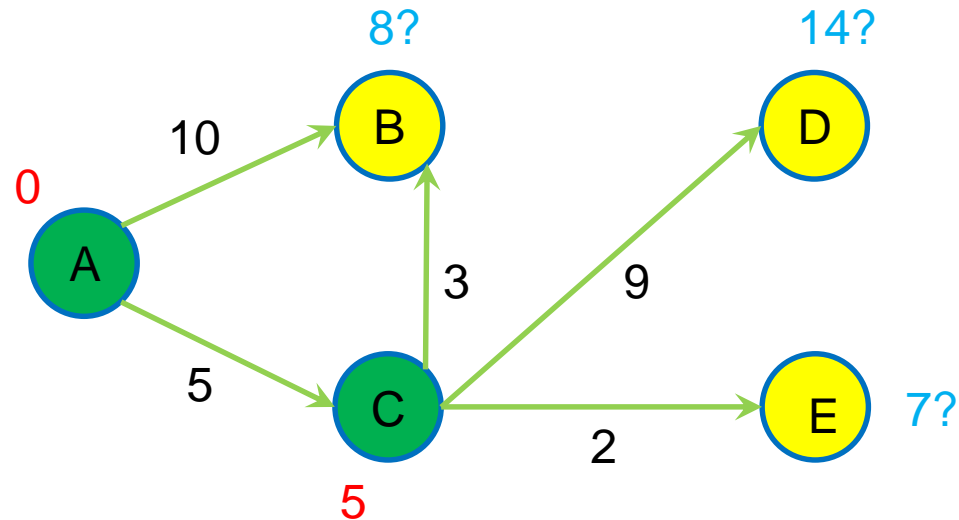
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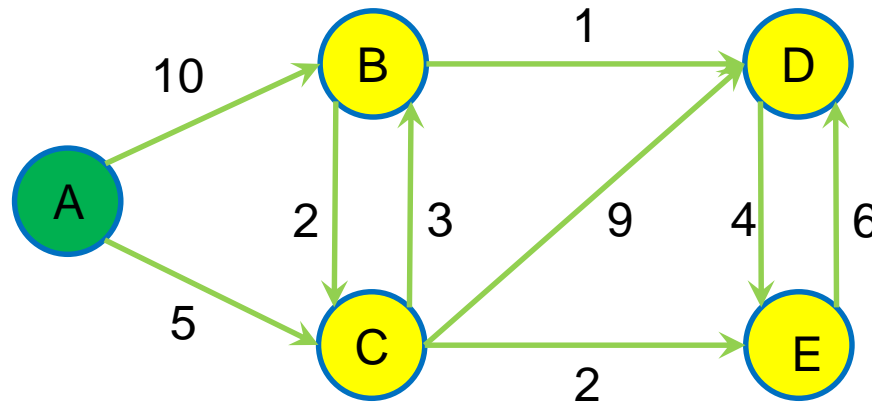


Dijkstra's Algorithm



Dijkstra's Algorithm

u:



Q:

A	B	C	D	E
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Q is a priority queue, where priority is based on distance

Pred:

A	B	C	D	E
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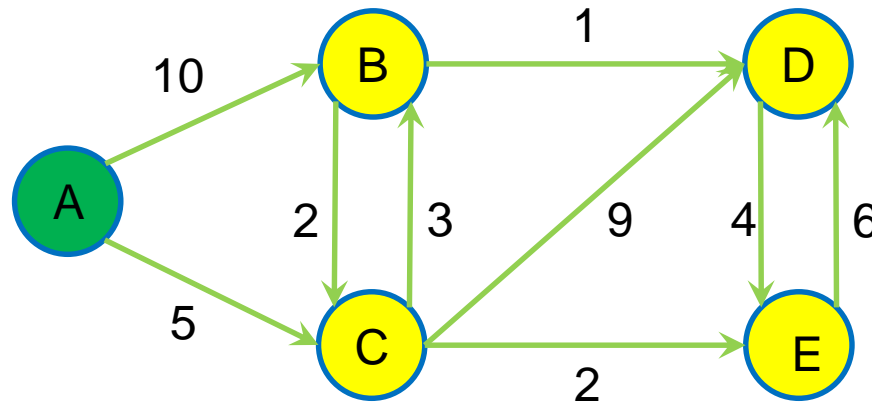
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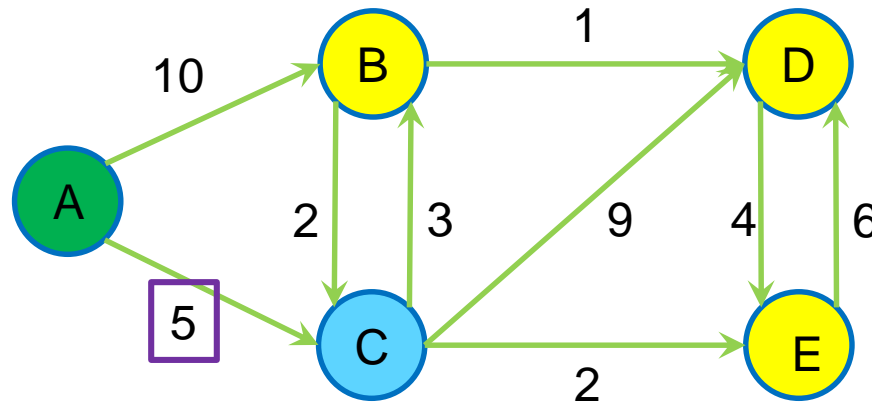
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Dijkstra's Algorithm

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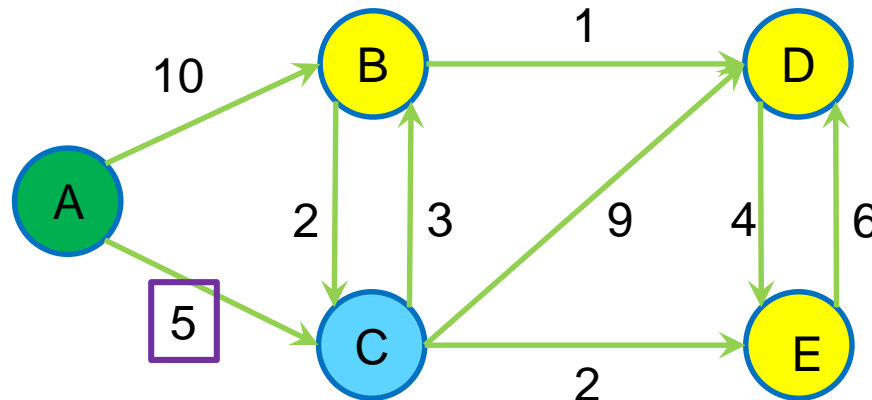
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For each neighbour v of u , relax along that edge

- If $\text{dist}[u] + w(u,v) < \text{dist}[v]$
- Update $\text{dist}[v]$
- Set $\text{pred}[v] = u$

Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: A



Q:

C	B	D	E
5	Inf	Inf	Inf

Pred:

A	B	C	D	E
-	-	A	-	-

Dist:

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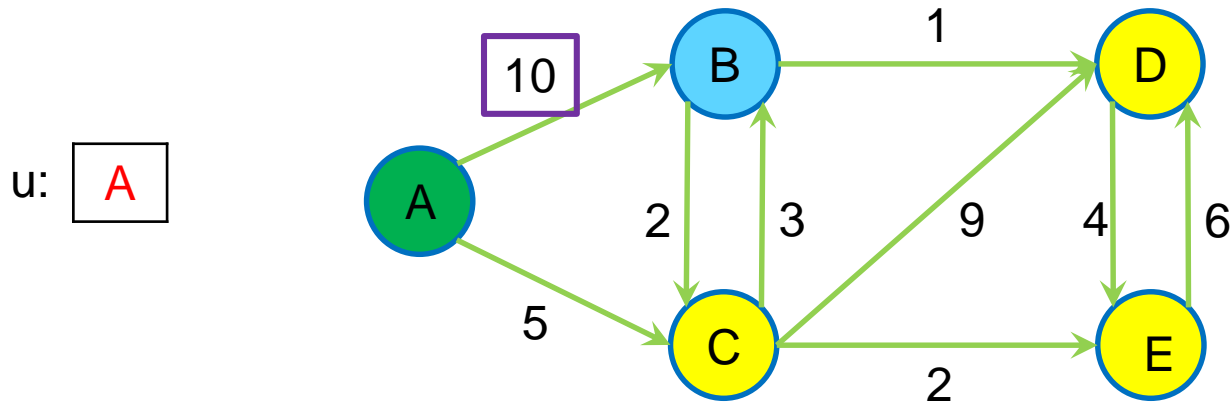
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- Update $\text{dist}[v]$
- Set $\text{pred}[v] = u$

- $0 + 5 < \text{inf}$
- Set $\text{dist}[C] = 5$
- Set $\text{pred}[C] = A$

- Note that this changes the order of Q

Dijkstra's Algorithm



Q:

C	B	D	E
5	10	Inf	Inf

Doing the same for B

- $0 + 10 < \text{inf}$
- $\text{Dist}[B] = 10$

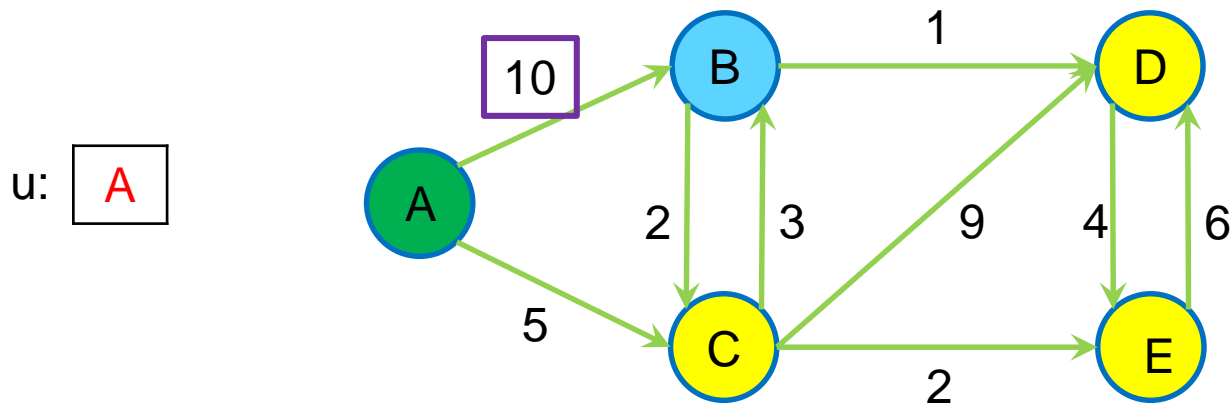
Pred:

A	B	C	D	E
-	-	A	-	-

Dist:

A	B	C	D	E
0	10	5	Inf	inf

Dijkstra's Algorithm



Q:

C	B	D	E
5	10	Inf	Inf

Pred:

A	B	C	D	E
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Dist:

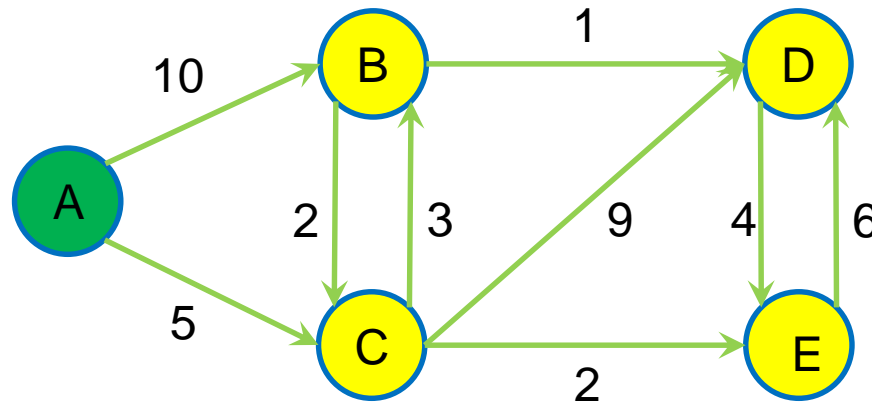
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Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: A



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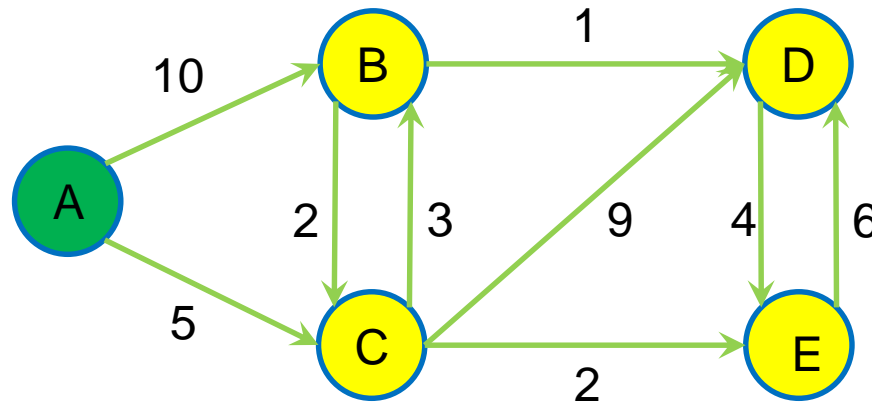
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- Finished with A, so pop from Q
- Notice that this will always be the vertex with the smallest dist

Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: C



Q:

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10	Inf	Inf

Pred:

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-	A	A	-	-

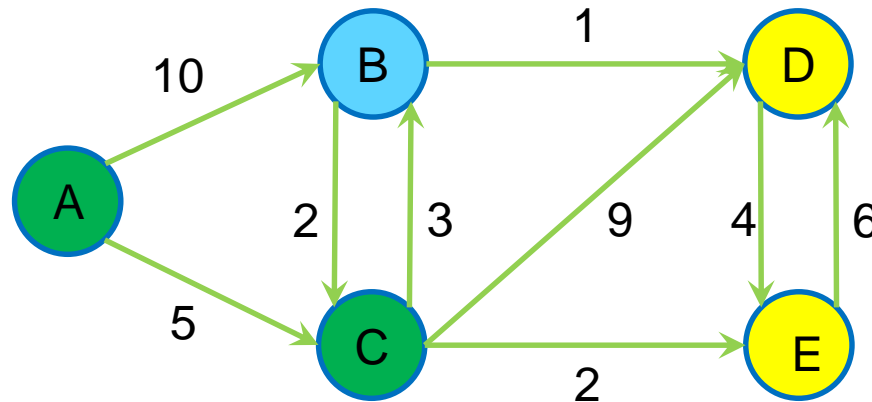
Dist:

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0	10	5	Inf	inf

- Finished with A, so pop from Q
- Notice that this will always be the vertex with the smallest dist
- The dist of this vertex is now finalised

Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: C



Q:

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10	Inf	Inf

Pred:

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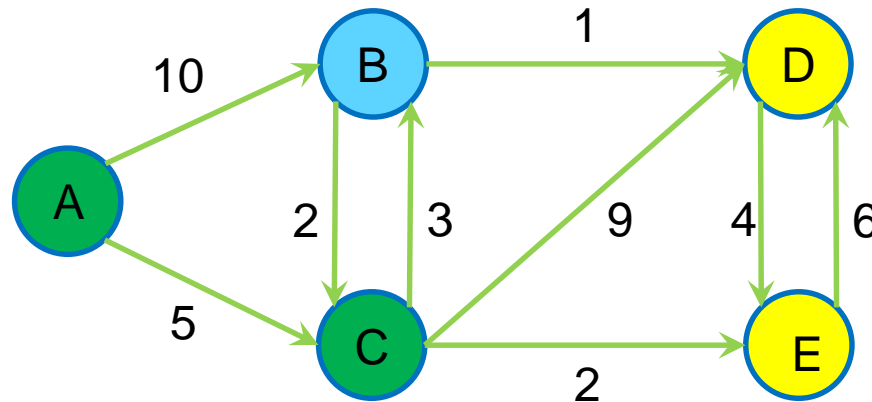
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- Relax B from C
- $\text{Dist}[C] + w(C, B) = 5 + 3 < 10$
- $\text{Dist}[B] = 8$
- $\text{Pred}[B] = C$

Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: C



Q:

B	D	E
8	Inf	Inf

Pred:

A	B	C	D	E
-	C	A	-	-

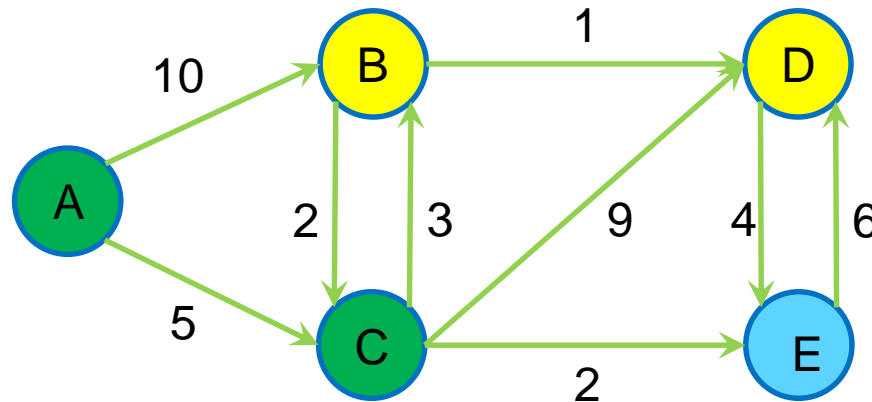
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Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: C



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Pred:

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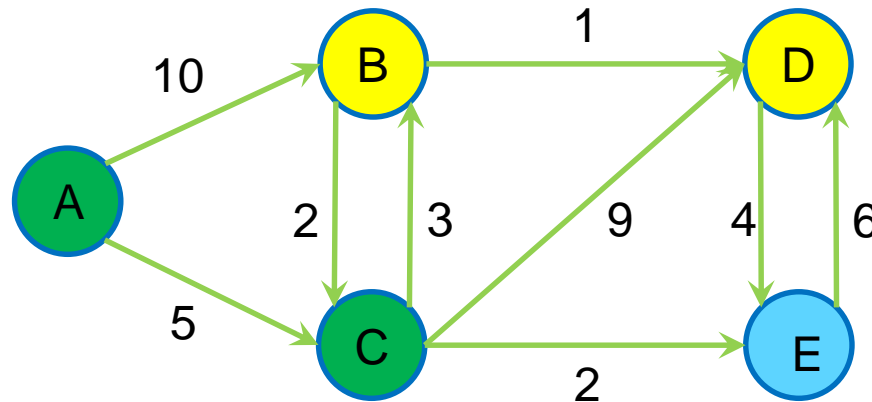
Dist:

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0	8	5	Inf	inf

- Relax E from C
- $\text{Dist}[C] + w(C, E) = 5 + 2 < \text{Inf}$
- $\text{Dist}[E] = 7$
- $\text{Pred}[E] = C$

Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: C



Q:

E	B	D
7	8	inf

Pred:

A	B	C	D	E
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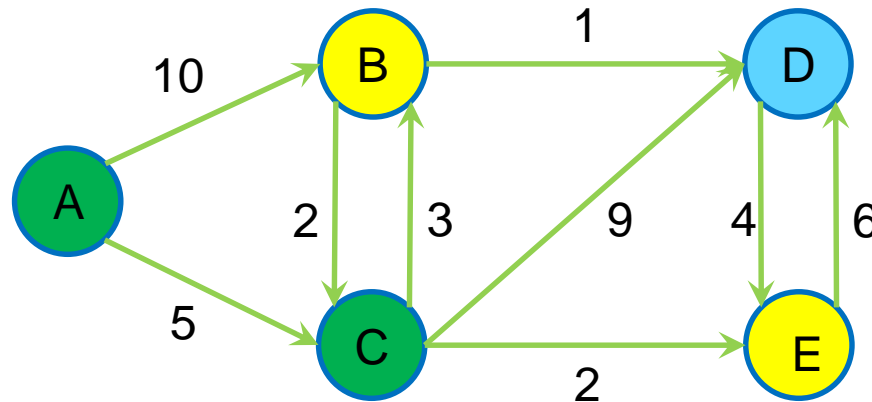
Dist:

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0	8	5	Inf	7

- Relax E from C
- $\text{Dist}[C] + w(C, E) = 5 + 2 < \text{Inf}$
- $\text{Dist}[E] = 7$
- $\text{Pred}[E] = C$

Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: C



Q:

E	B	D
7	8	14

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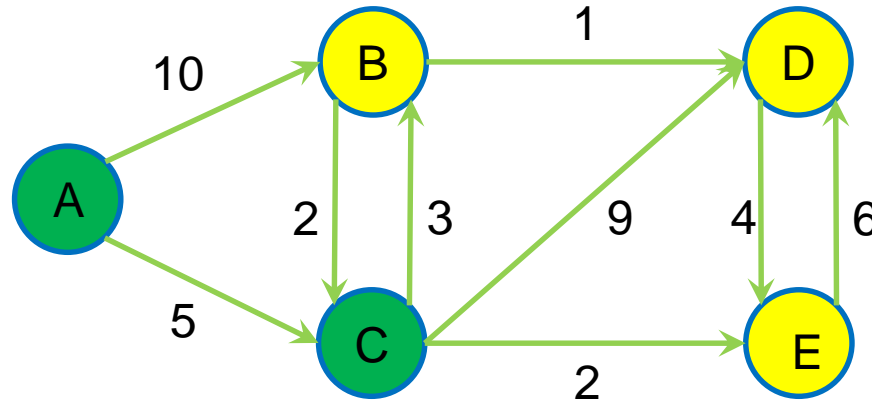
Dist:

A	B	C	D	E
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- Relax D from C
- $\text{Dist}[D] + w(C, D) = 5 + 9 < \text{Inf}$
- $\text{Dist}[D] = 14$
- $\text{Pred}[D] = C$

Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: C



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7	8	14

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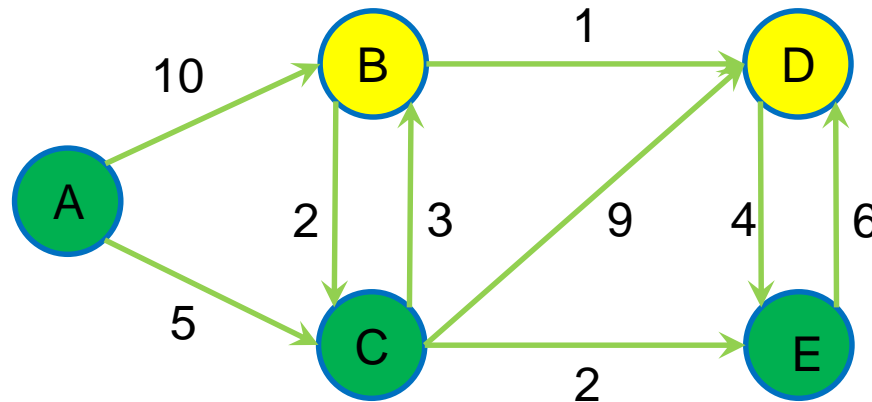
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- Done with C
- Pop another vertex from Q and finalise it

Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: E



Q:

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8	14

Pred:

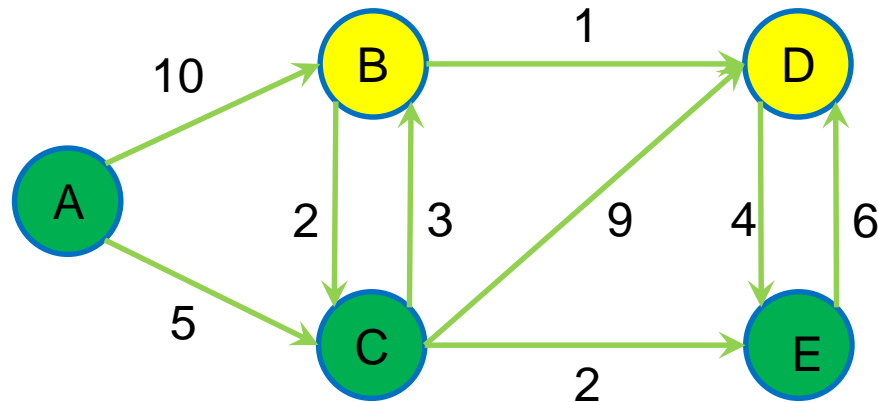
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Dist:

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Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: E



Q:

B	D
8	13

- Relax from E

Pred:

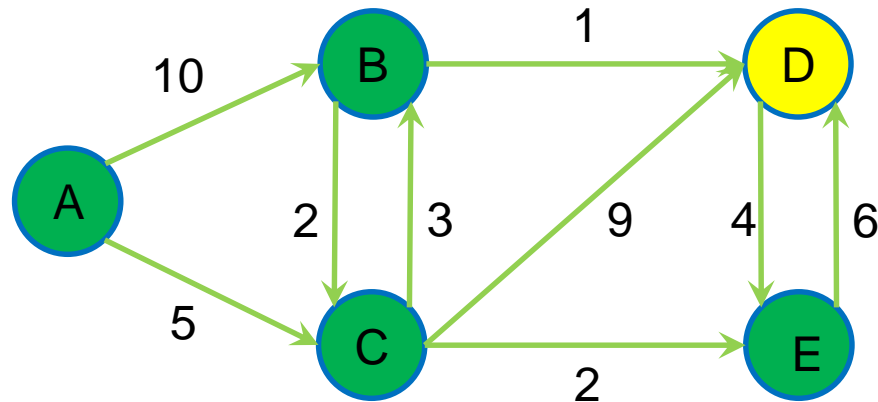
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Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: B



Q:

D
13

- Done with E
- Pop B

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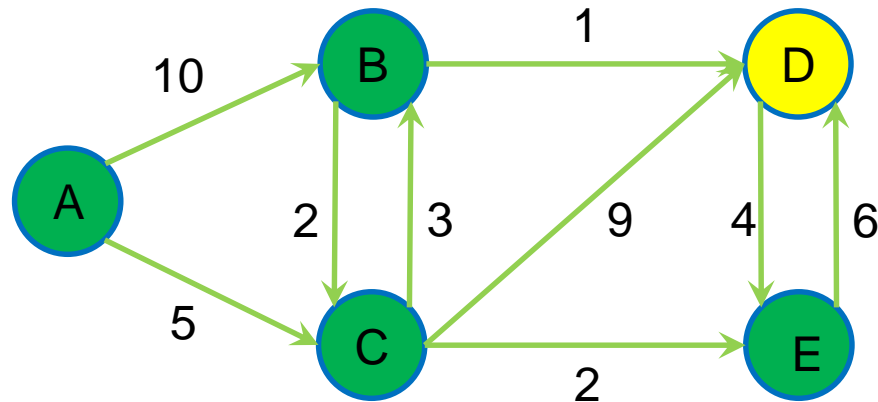
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Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: B



- Relax from B

Q:

D
9

Pred:

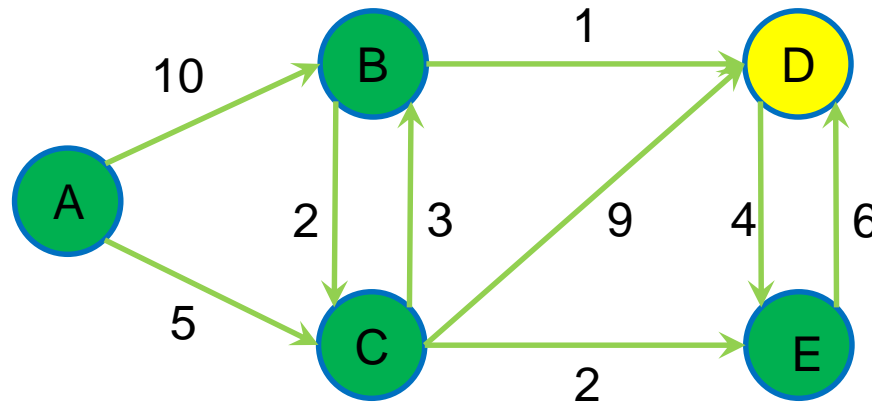
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Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: D



Q:

- Done with B
- Pop D

Pred:

A	B	C	D	E
-	C	A	B	C

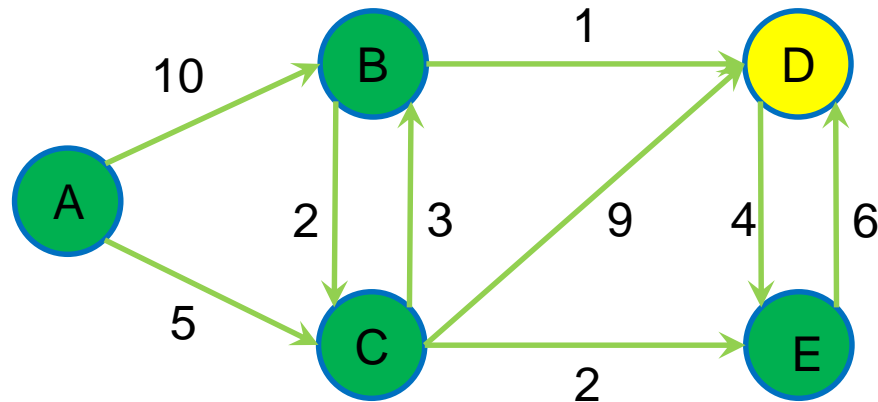
- No neighbours to relax
- Done!

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Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: D



Q:

Pred:

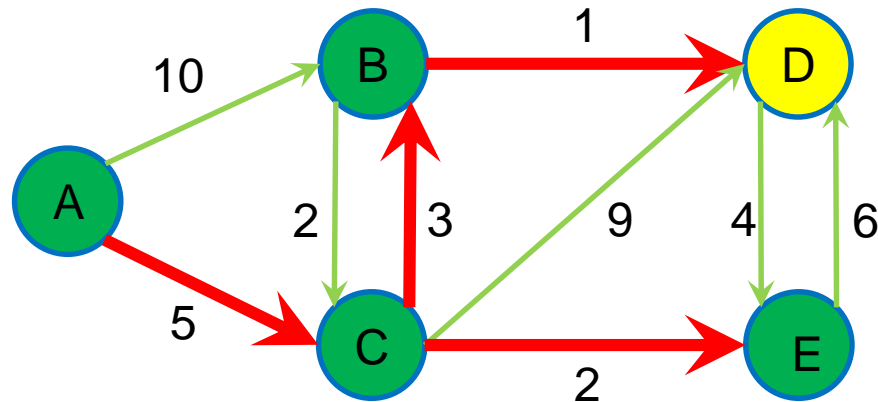
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Dijkstra's Algorithm

u: D



Q:

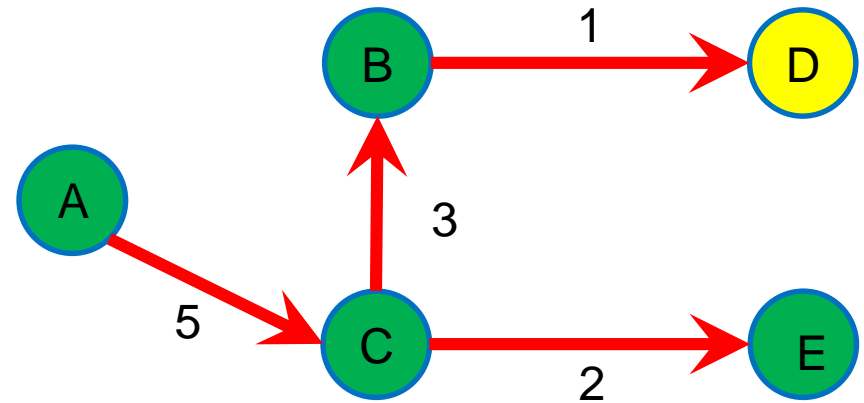
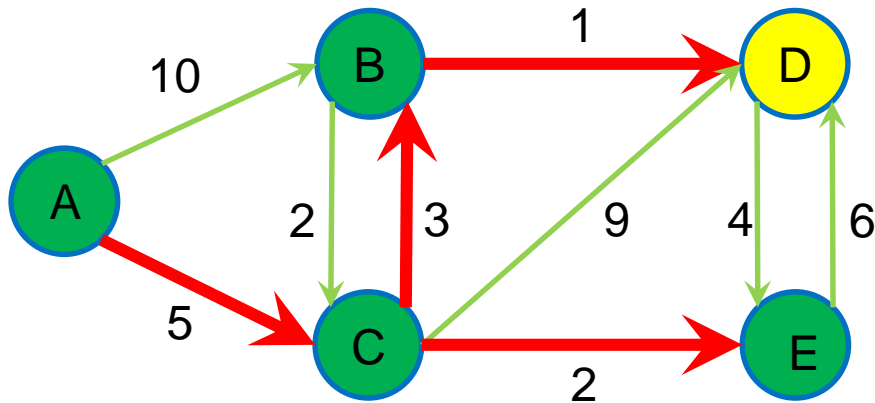
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Dijkstra's Algorithm



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Dijkstra's Algorithm

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Quiz time!

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- Each edge visited once $\rightarrow O(E)$
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- Updating the priority queue: depends on implementation
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Dijkstra's Algorithm using min-heap

Required additional structure:

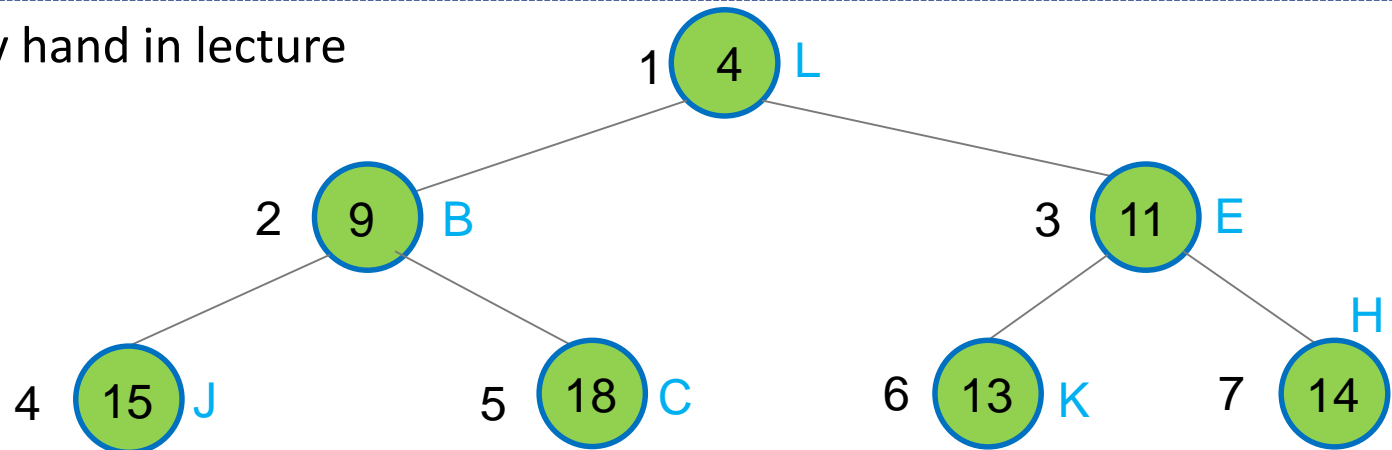
- Create an array called **Vertices**.
- **Vertices**[i] will record the **location** of i-th vertex in the min-heap

Updating the distance of a vertex v in min-heap in $O(\log V)$

- Find the location in the queue (heap) in $O(1)$ using **Vertices**
- Now do the normal heap-up operation in $O(\log(V))$
 - For each swap performed between two vertices x and y during the upHeap
 - ✦ Update **Vertices**[x] and **Vertices**[y] to record their updated **locations** in the min-heap

Dijkstra's Algorithm using min-heap

Example worked by hand in lecture



Min-heap

L	B	E	J	C	K	H
4	9	11	15	18	13	14
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Suppose K's distance is to be updated to 7.

Vertices

-	2	5	-	3	-	-	7	-	4	6	1
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

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- Total cost: $O(E * \log V + V * \log V)$
- Minimum value of E is $V-1$ since graph is connected
- E dominates V
- Total cost $O(E \log V)$

Time Complexity of Dijkstra's Algorithm

- $O(E \log V)$
- For dense graphs, $E \approx V^2$
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Dijkstra's using a Fibonacci Heap (not covered in this unit)

- $O(E + V \log V)$
- For dense graphs, $E \approx V^2$
 - $O(E + V \log V) \rightarrow O(V^2)$ for dense graphs

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Claim: For every vertex v which has been removed from the queue, $\text{dist}[v]$ is correct

- Notation:
 - V is the set of vertices
 - Q is the set of vertices in the queue
 - $S = V / Q$ = the set of vertices who have been removed from the queue

Base Case

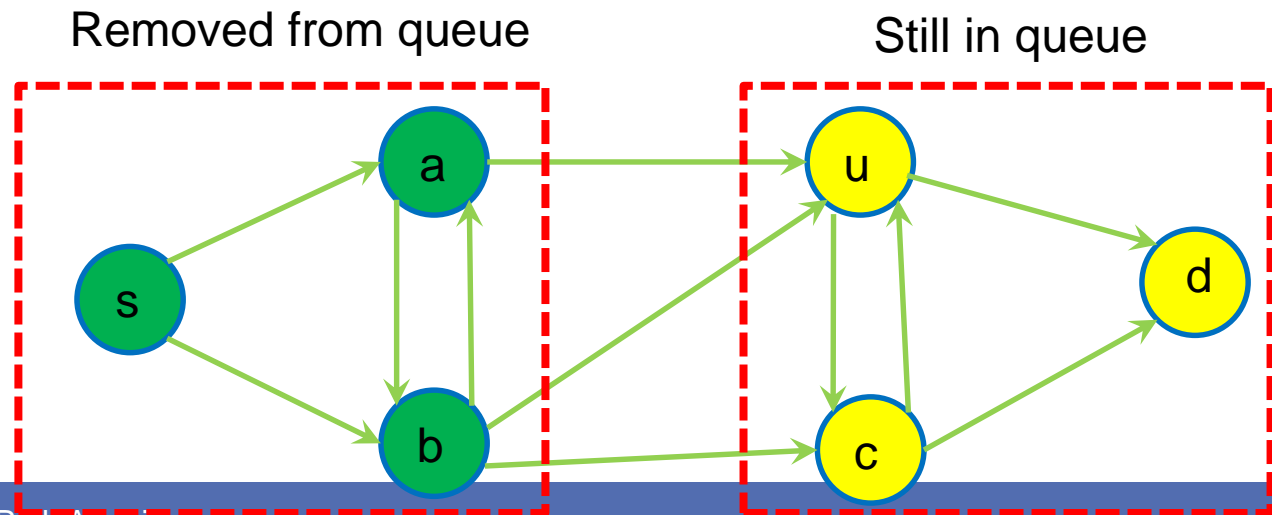
- $\text{Dist}[s]$ is initialised to 0, which is the shortest distance from s to s (since there are no negative weights)

Proof of Correctness

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Inductive Step:

- Assume that the claim holds for all vertices which have been removed from the queue (S)
- Let u be the next vertex which is removed from the queue
- We will show that $\text{dist}[u]$ is correct



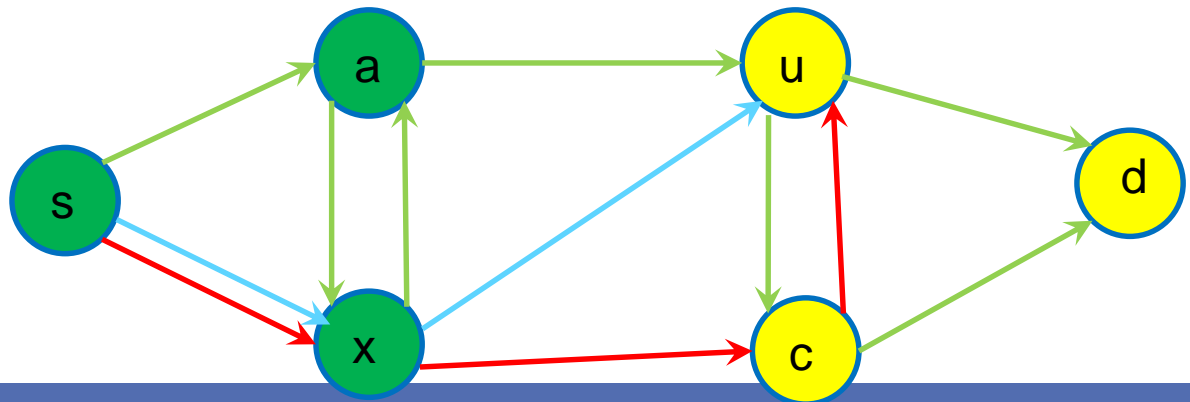
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- Suppose (for contradiction) there is a shorter path P , $s \rightsquigarrow u$ with $\text{len}(P) < \text{dist}[u]$
- Let x be the furthest vertex on P which is in S (i.e. has been finalised)
- By the inductive hypothesis, $\text{dist}[x]$ is correct (since it is in S)

Current path
Assumed
shorter path (P)

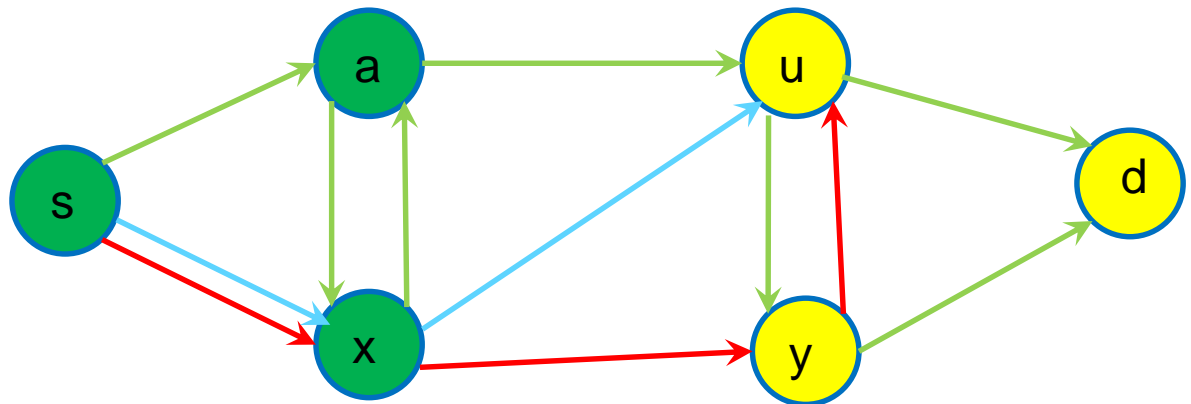


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Inductive Step:

- By the inductive hypothesis, $\text{dist}[x]$ is correct (since it is in S)
- Let y be the next vertex on P after x
- $\text{Len}(P) < \text{dist}[u]$ (by assumption)
- Edge weights are non-negative
- $\text{Len}(s \rightsquigarrow y) \leq \text{len}(P) < \text{dist}[u]$

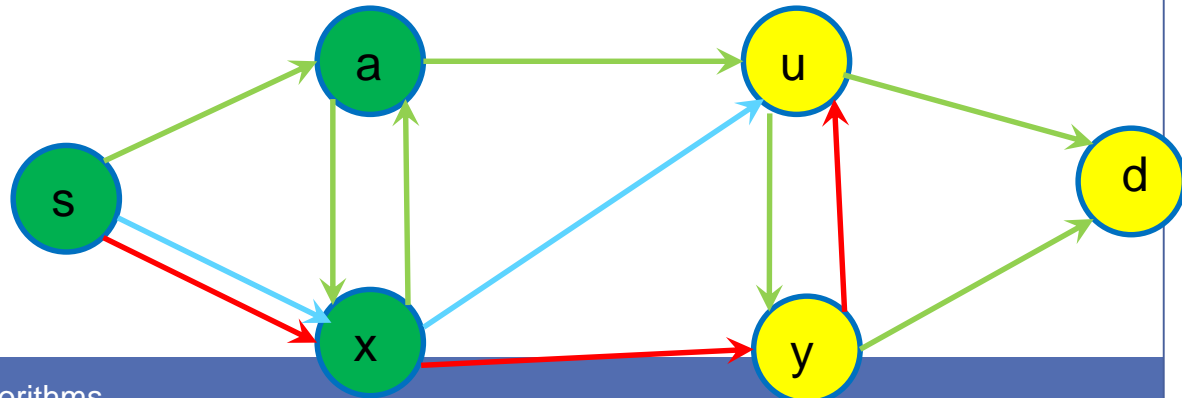


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- $\text{Len}(s \rightsquigarrow y) \leq \text{len}(P) < \text{dist}[u]$
- Since we said that P (via x and y) is a shortest path...
- $\text{dist}[y] = \text{len}(s \rightsquigarrow y) < \text{dist}[u]$
- So $\text{dist}[y] < \text{dist}[u]$...
- If $y \neq u$, why didn't y get removed before u ???
- If $y = u$, how can $\text{dist}[y] < \text{dist}[u]$???

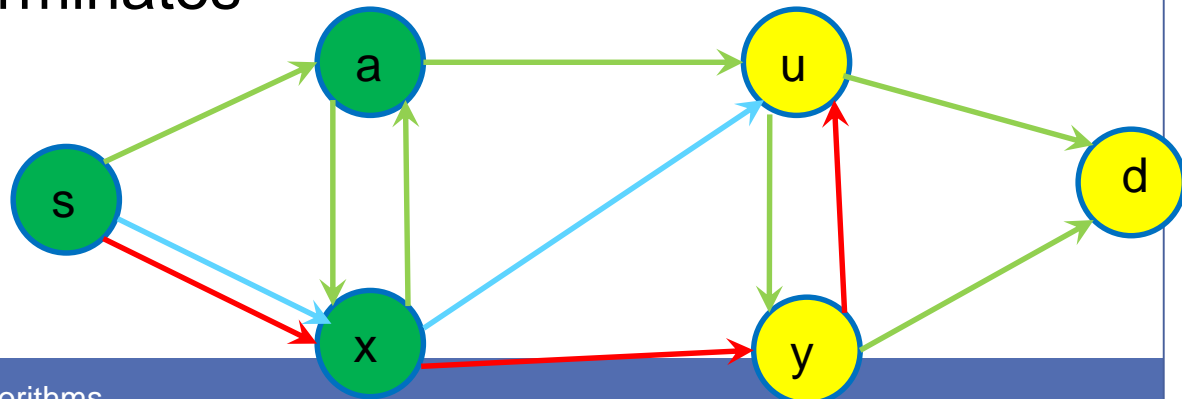


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- Having obtained a contradiction, we can negate our assumption, namely:
- “Suppose (for contradiction) there is a shorter path P , $s \rightsquigarrow u$ with $\text{len}(P) < \text{dist}[u]$ ”
- So there is no such path, so $\text{dist}[u]$ is correct
- So by induction, the distance of every vertex is correct when Dijkstra’s algorithm terminates



Summary

Take home message

- Dijkstra's algorithm can be improved significantly using a heap

Things to do (this list is not exhaustive)

- Read more about DFS, BFS and Dijkstra's algorithm and implement these
- Read unit notes

Coming Up Next

- Bellman-Ford, Floyd-Warshall Algorithms and Transitive Closures