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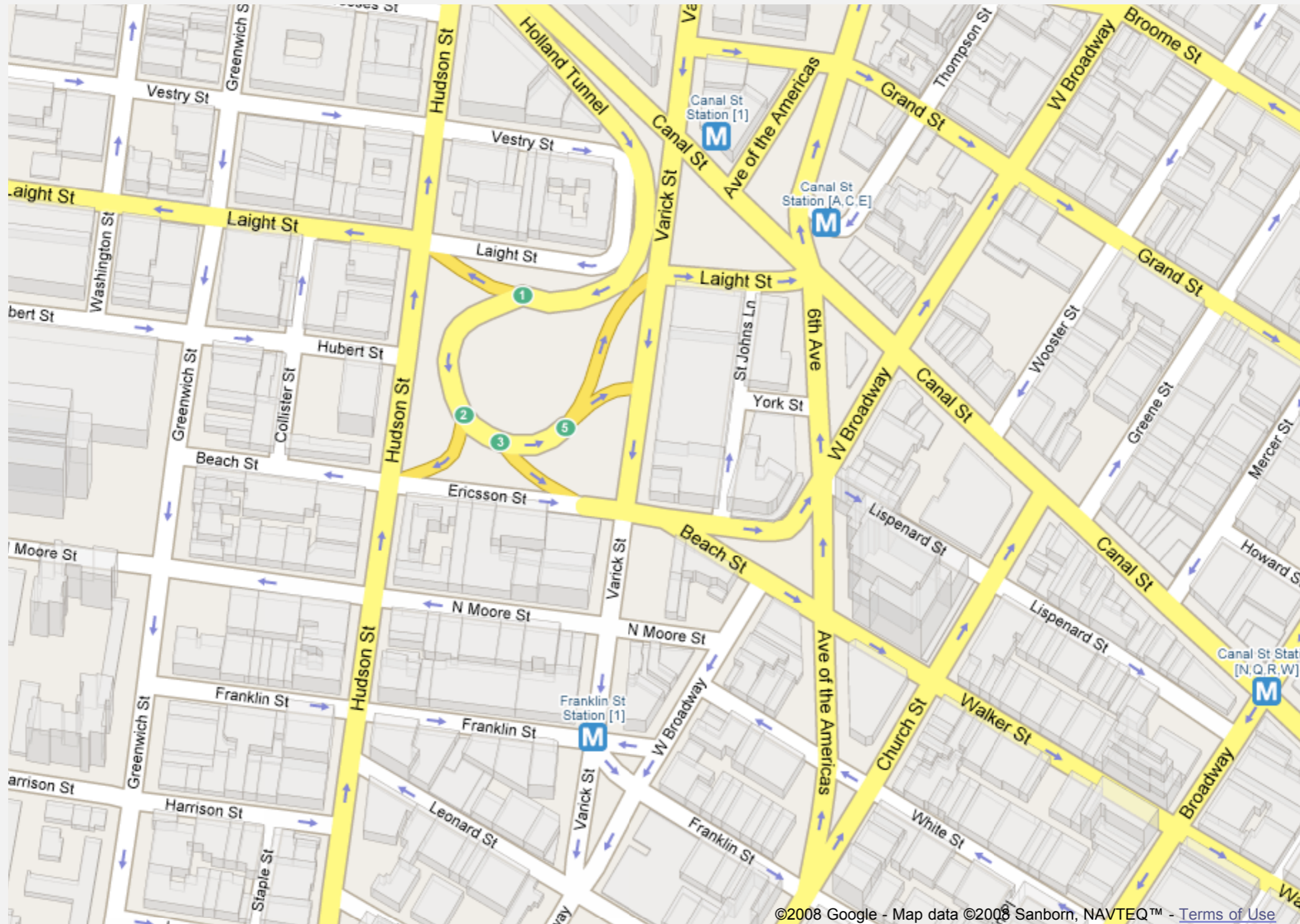
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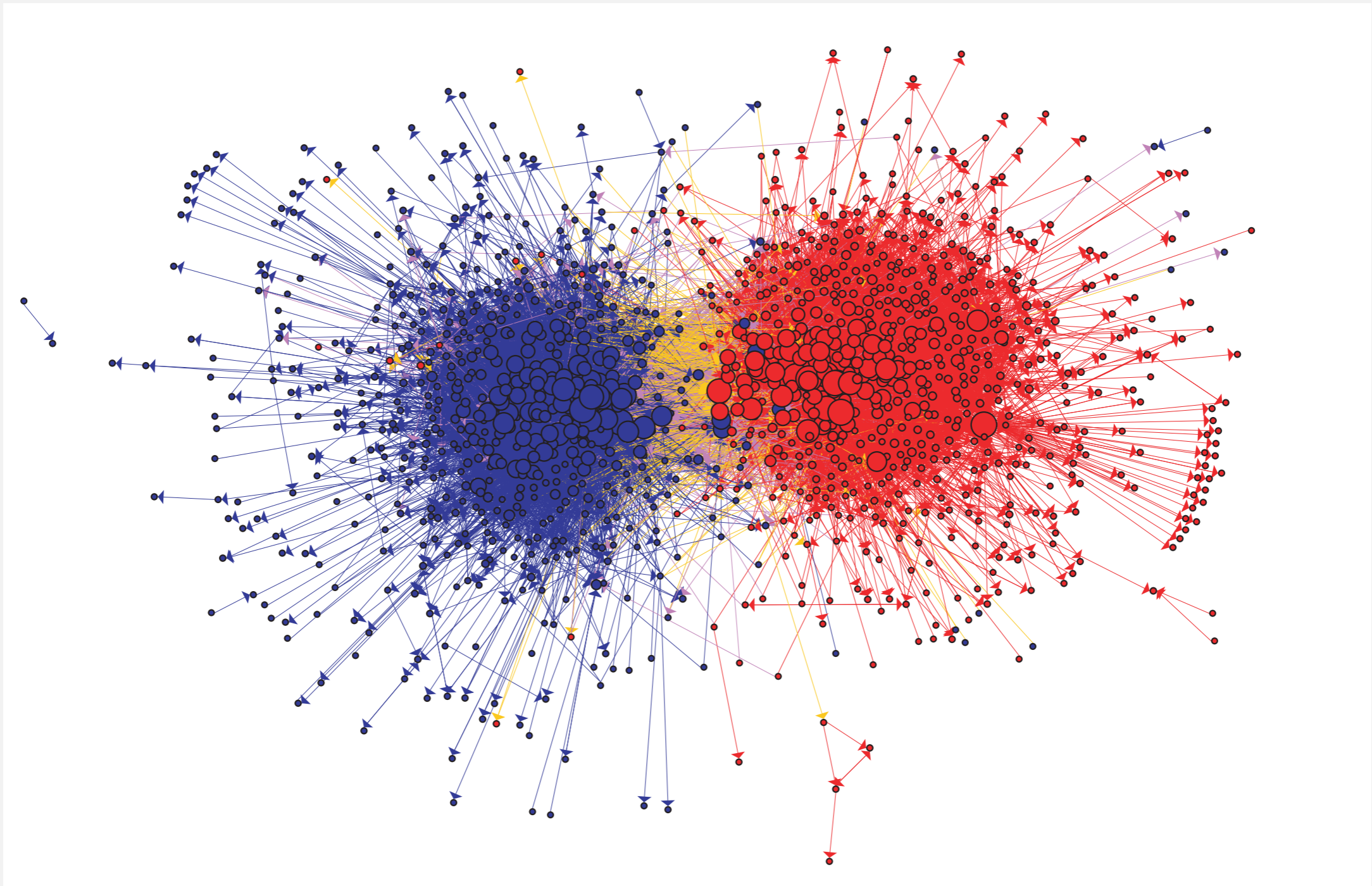
Road networks

Vertex = intersection; edge = one-way street.



Political blogosphere links

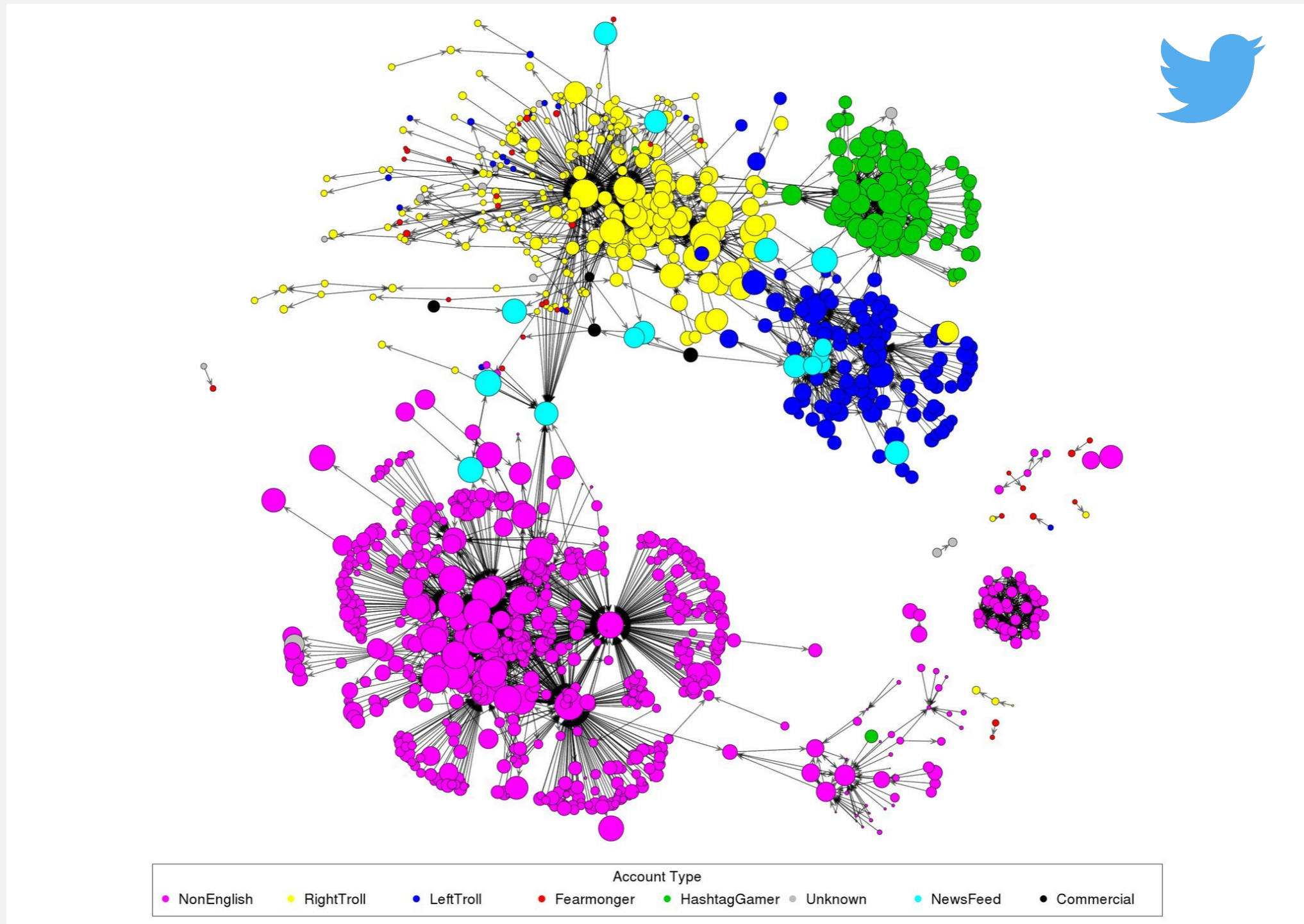
Vertex = political blog; edge = link.



The Political Blogosphere and the 2004 U.S. Election: Divided They Blog, Adamic and Glance, 2005

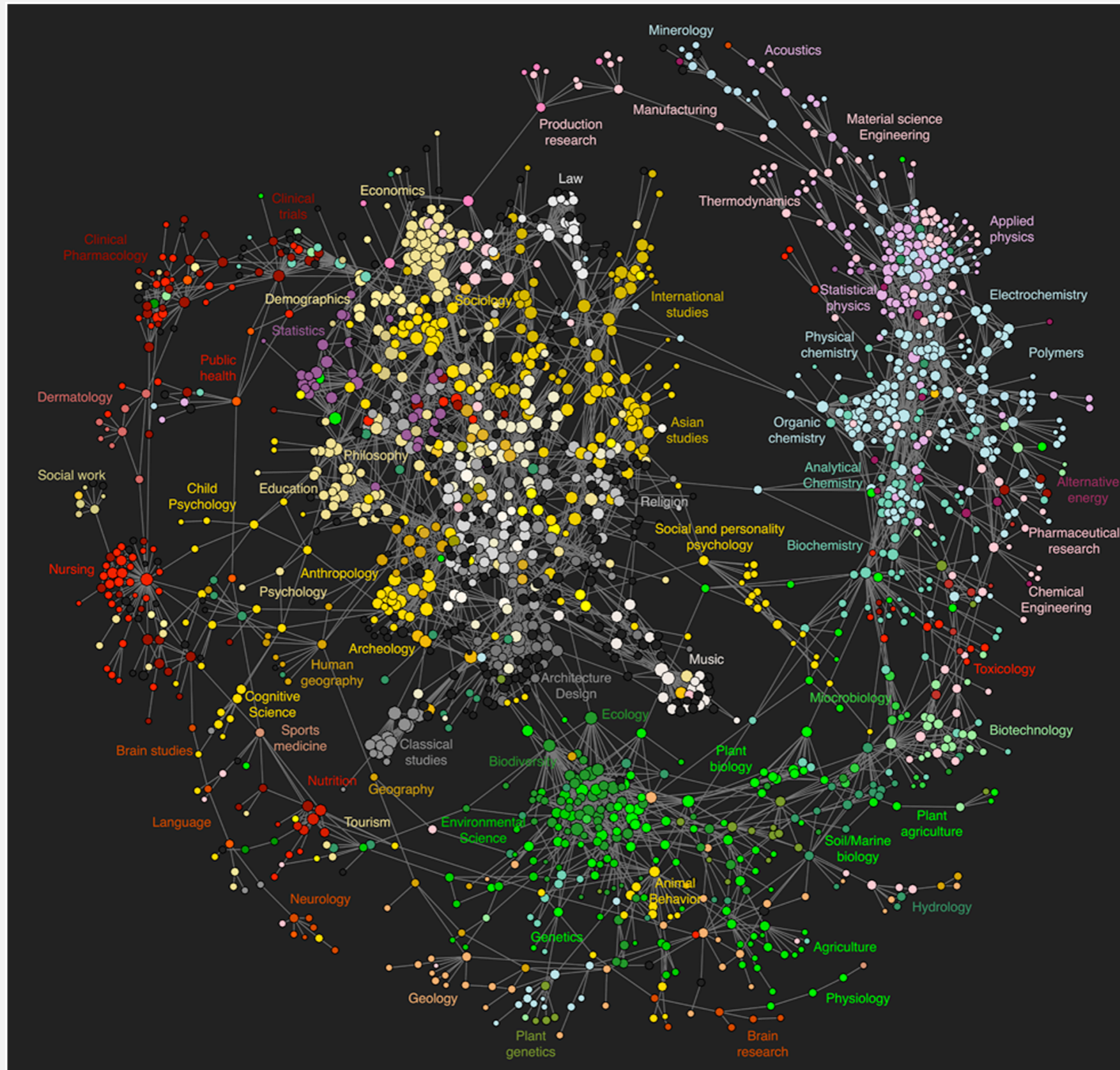
Russian troll network

Vertex = Russian troll; edge = Twitter mention.



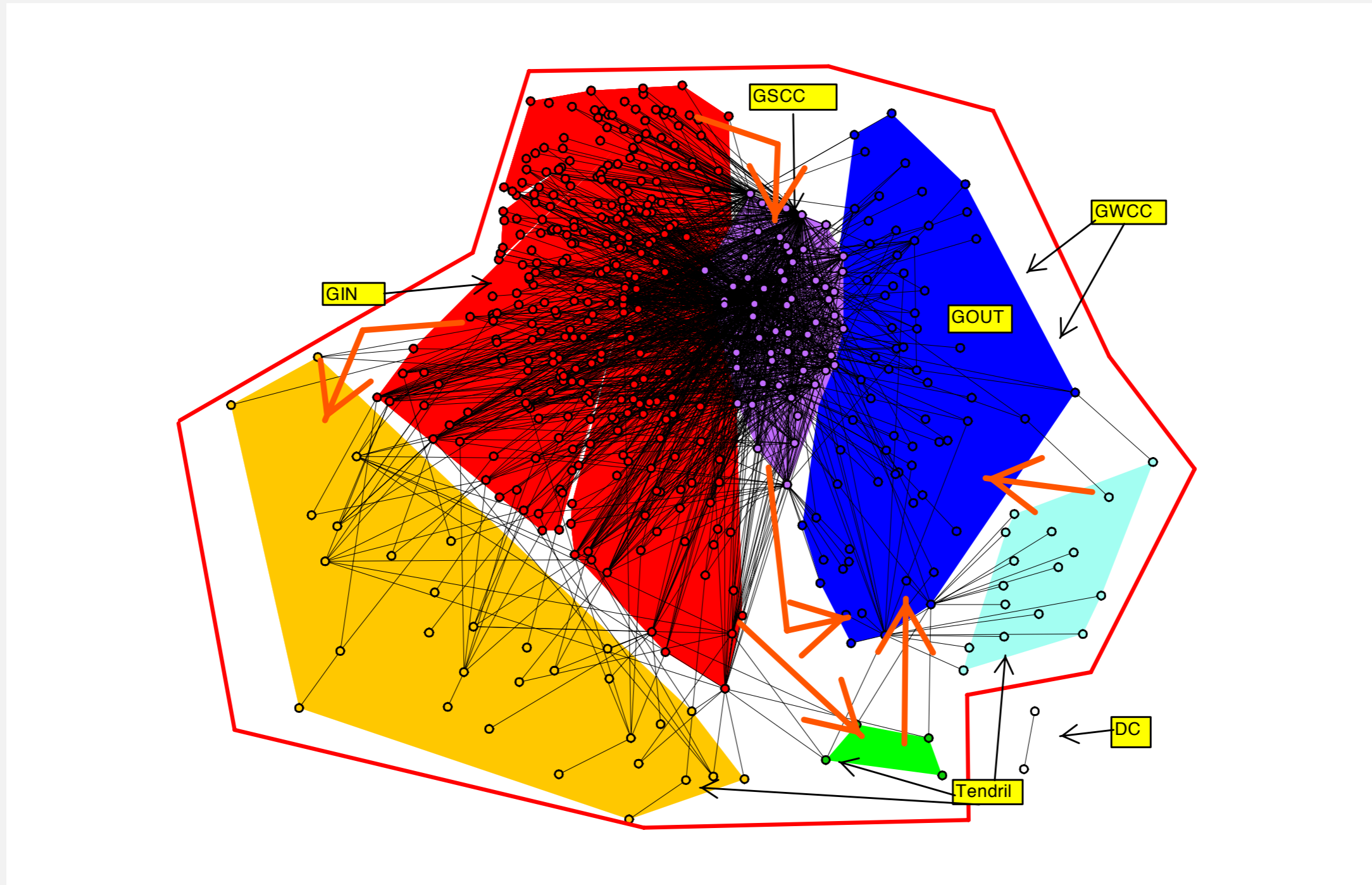
Russian Troll-to-Russian Troll Twitter Mention Network, fivethirtyeight.com

Science clickstreams



Overnight interbank loans

Vertex = bank; edge = overnight loan.



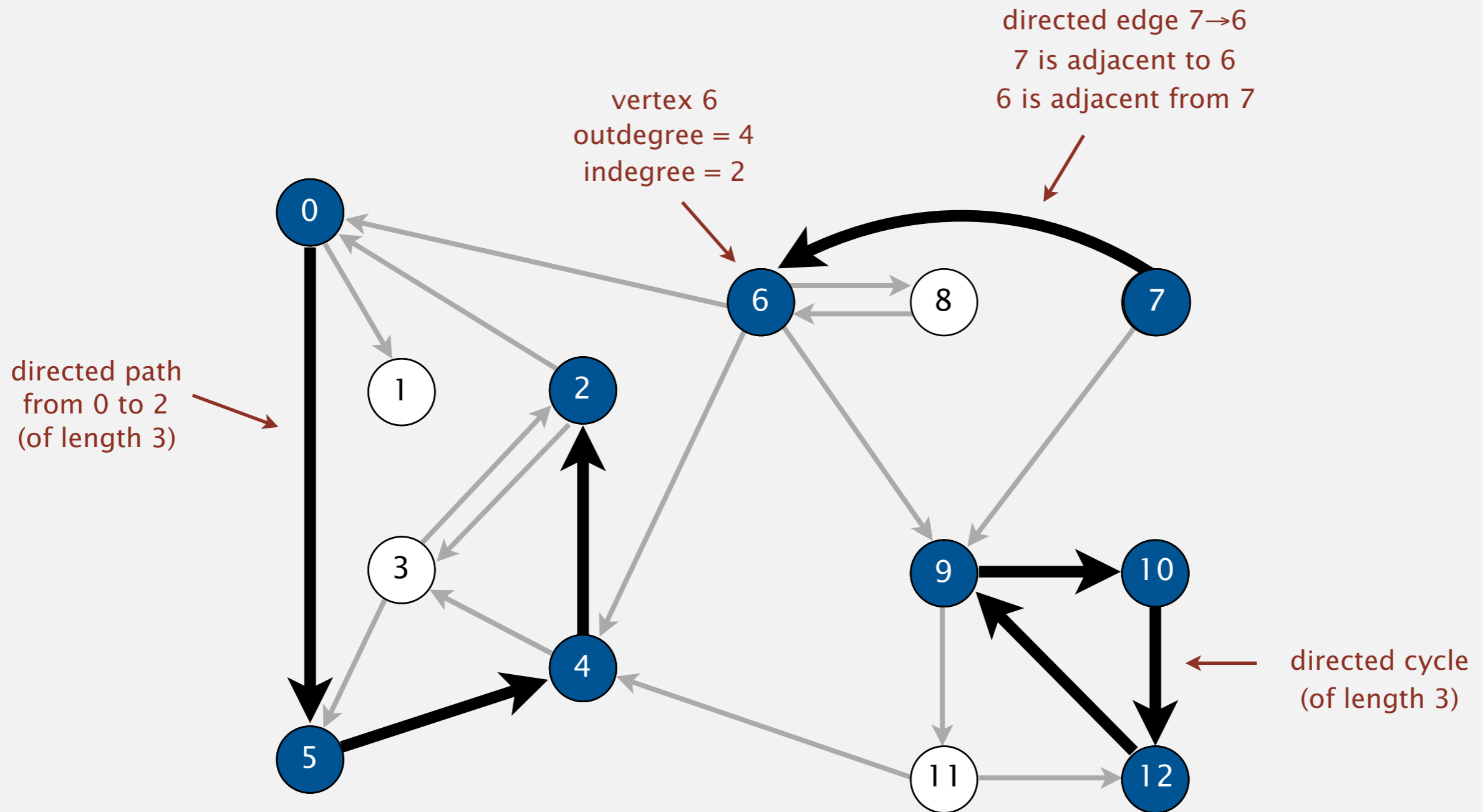
The Topology of the Federal Funds Market, Bech and Atalay, 2008

Digraph applications

digraph	vertex	directed edge
transportation	street intersection	one-way street
web	web page	hyperlink
food web	species	predator–prey relationship
WordNet	synset	hypernym
scheduling	task	precedence constraint
financial	bank	transaction
cell phone	person	placed call
infectious disease	person	infection
game	board position	legal move
citation	journal article	citation
object graph	object	pointer
inheritance hierarchy	class	inherits from
control flow	code block	jump

Directed graph terminology

Digraph. Set of vertices connected pairwise by **directed** edges.



Some digraph problems

problem	description
$s \rightarrow t$ path	<i>Is there a path from s to t ?</i>
shortest $s \rightarrow t$ path	<i>What is the shortest path from s to t ?</i>
directed cycle	<i>Is there a directed cycle in the graph ?</i>
topological sort	<i>Can the digraph be drawn so that all edges point upwards?</i>
strong connectivity	<i>Is there a directed path between every pairs of vertices ?</i>
transitive closure	<i>For which vertices v and w is there a directed path from v to w ?</i>
PageRank	<i>What is the importance of a web page ?</i>



Algorithms

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Digraph API

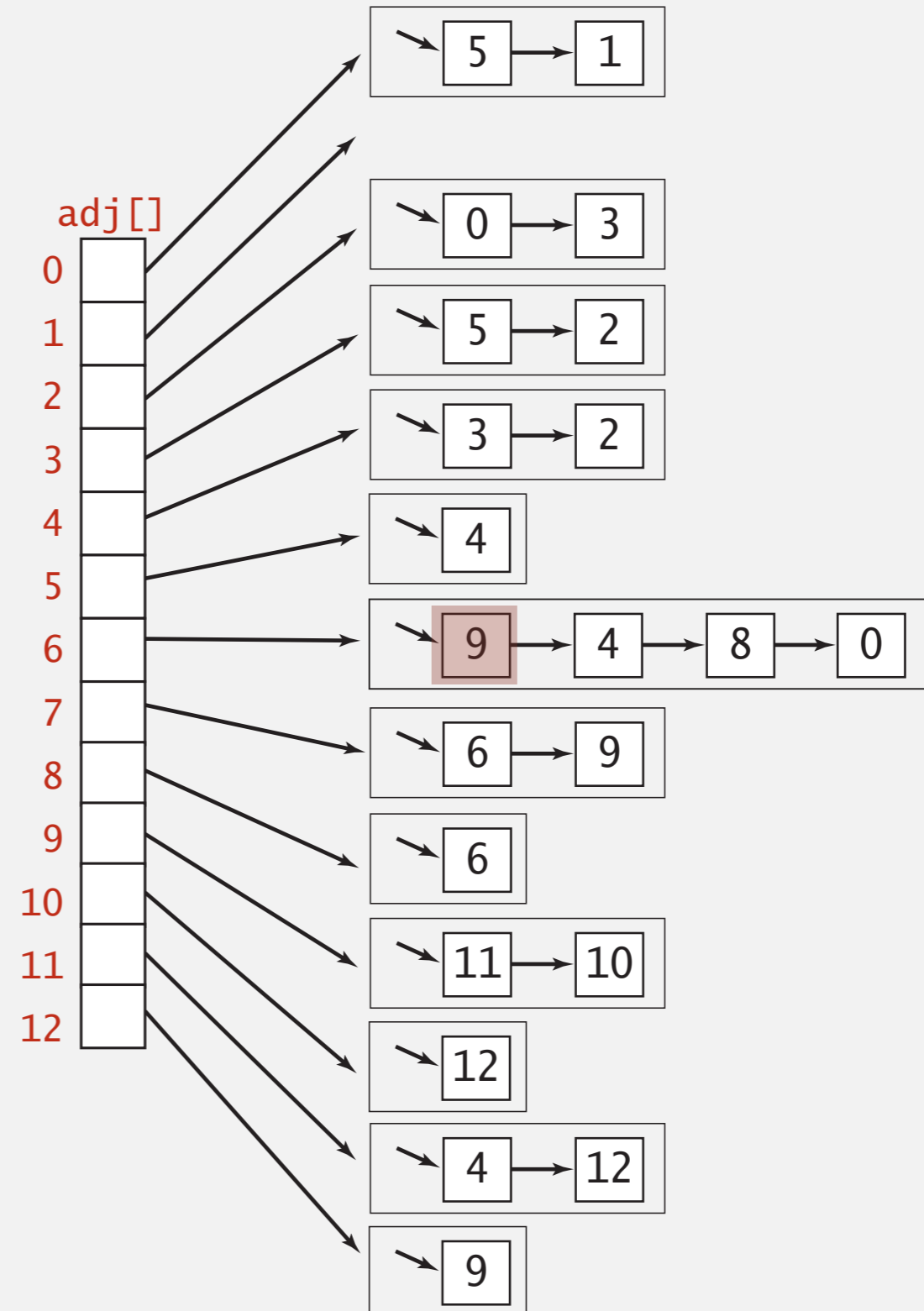
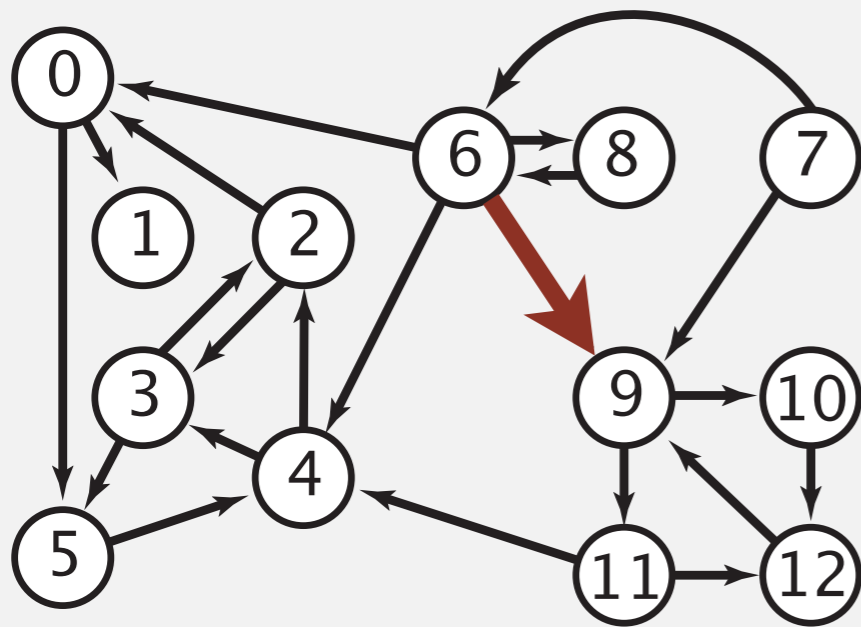
Almost identical to Graph API.

```
public class Digraph
    Digraph(int V)           create an empty digraph with V vertices
    void addEdge(int v, int w) add a directed edge v→w
    Iterable<Integer> adj(int v) vertices adjacent from v
    int V()                 number of vertices
    ⋮                       ⋮
```

Note. Full Digraph API includes additional methods, such as `reverse()`.

Digraph representation: adjacency lists

Maintain vertex-indexed array of lists.

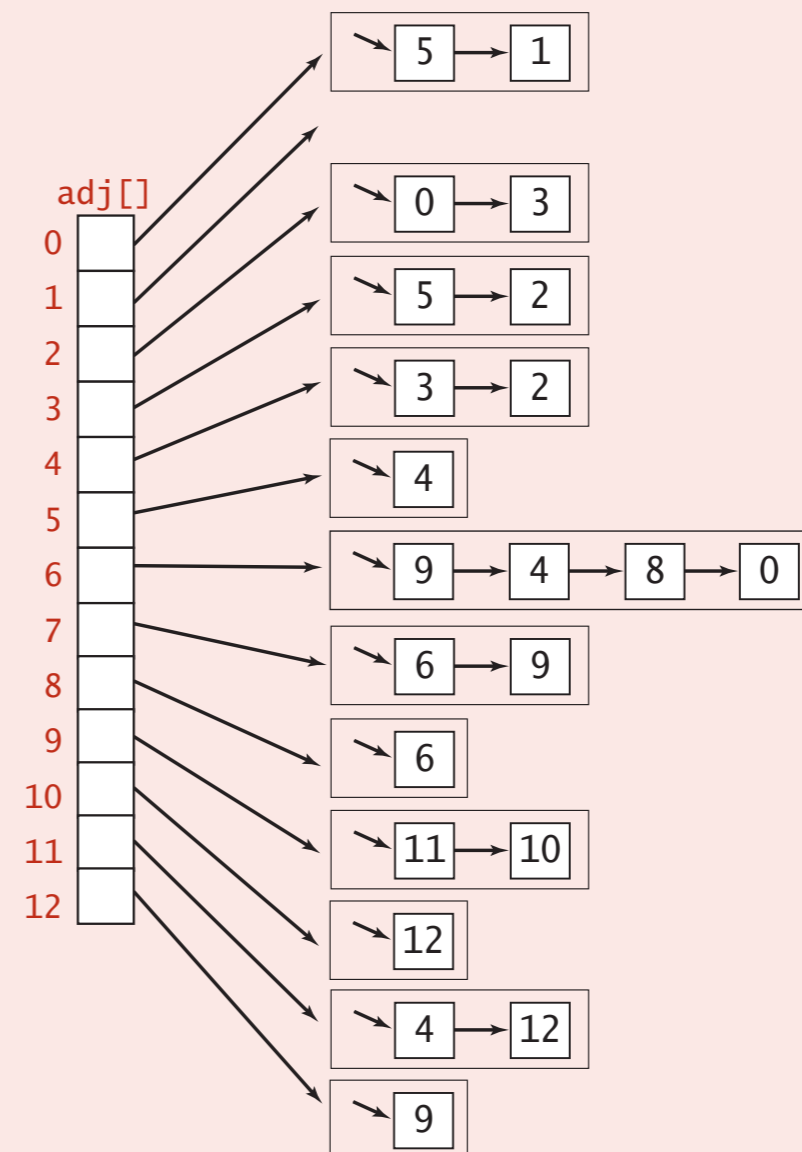


Directed graphs: quiz 1



Which is the order of growth of the running time for removing an edge $v \rightarrow w$ from a digraph using the **adjacency-lists** representation, where V is the number of vertices and E is the number of edges?

- A. 1
- B. $outdegree(v)$
- C. $indegree(w)$
- D. $outdegree(v) + indegree(w)$





Which is the order of growth of the running time of the following code fragment if the digraph uses the **adjacency-lists** representation, where V is the number of vertices and E is the number of edges?

- A. V
- B. $E + V$
- C. V^2
- D. VE

```
for (int v = 0; v < G.V(); v++)  
    for (int w : G.adj(v))  
        StdOut.println(v + "->" + w);
```

prints each edge exactly once

Digraph representations

In practice. Use adjacency-lists representation.

- Algorithms based on iterating over vertices adjacent from v .
- Real-world graphs tend to be **sparse** (not **dense**).

↑
proportional
to V edges

↑
proportional
to V^2 edges

representation	space	insert edge from v to w	edge from v to w ?	iterate over vertices adjacent from v ?
list of edges	E	1	E	E
adjacency matrix	V^2	1 †	1	V
adjacency lists	$E + V$	1	$outdegree(v)$	$outdegree(v)$

† disallows parallel edges

Adjacency-lists graph representation (review): Java implementation

```
public class Graph
```

```
{
```

```
    private final int V;  
    private Bag<Integer>[] adj;
```

← adjacency lists

```
    public Graph(int V)
```

```
    {
```

```
        this.V = V;
```

```
        adj = (Bag<Integer>[]) new Bag[V];
```

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

```
            adj[v] = new Bag<Integer>();
```

```
    }
```

← create empty graph
with V vertices

```
    public void addEdge(int v, int w)
```

```
    {
```

```
        adj[v].add(w);
```

```
        adj[w].add(v);
```

```
    }
```

← add edge v-w

```
    public Iterable<Integer> adj(int v)
```

```
    { return adj[v]; }
```

← iterator for vertices
adjacent to v

```
}
```

Adjacency-lists digraph representation: Java implementation

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← adjacency lists

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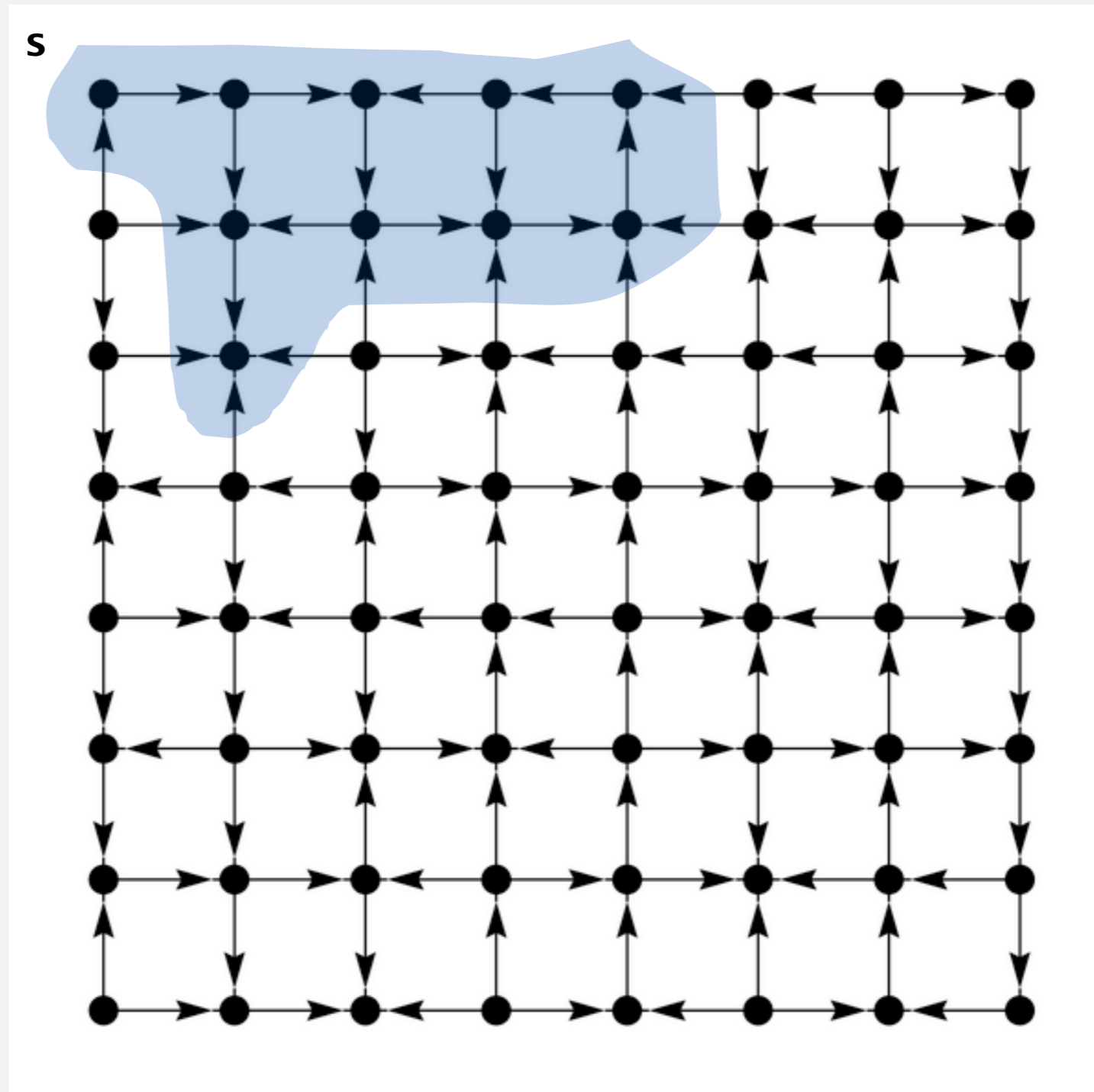
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Reachability

Problem. Find all vertices reachable from s along a directed path.



Depth-first search in digraphs

Same method as for undirected graphs.

- Every undirected graph is a digraph (with edges in both directions).
- DFS is a **digraph** algorithm.

DFS (to visit a vertex v)

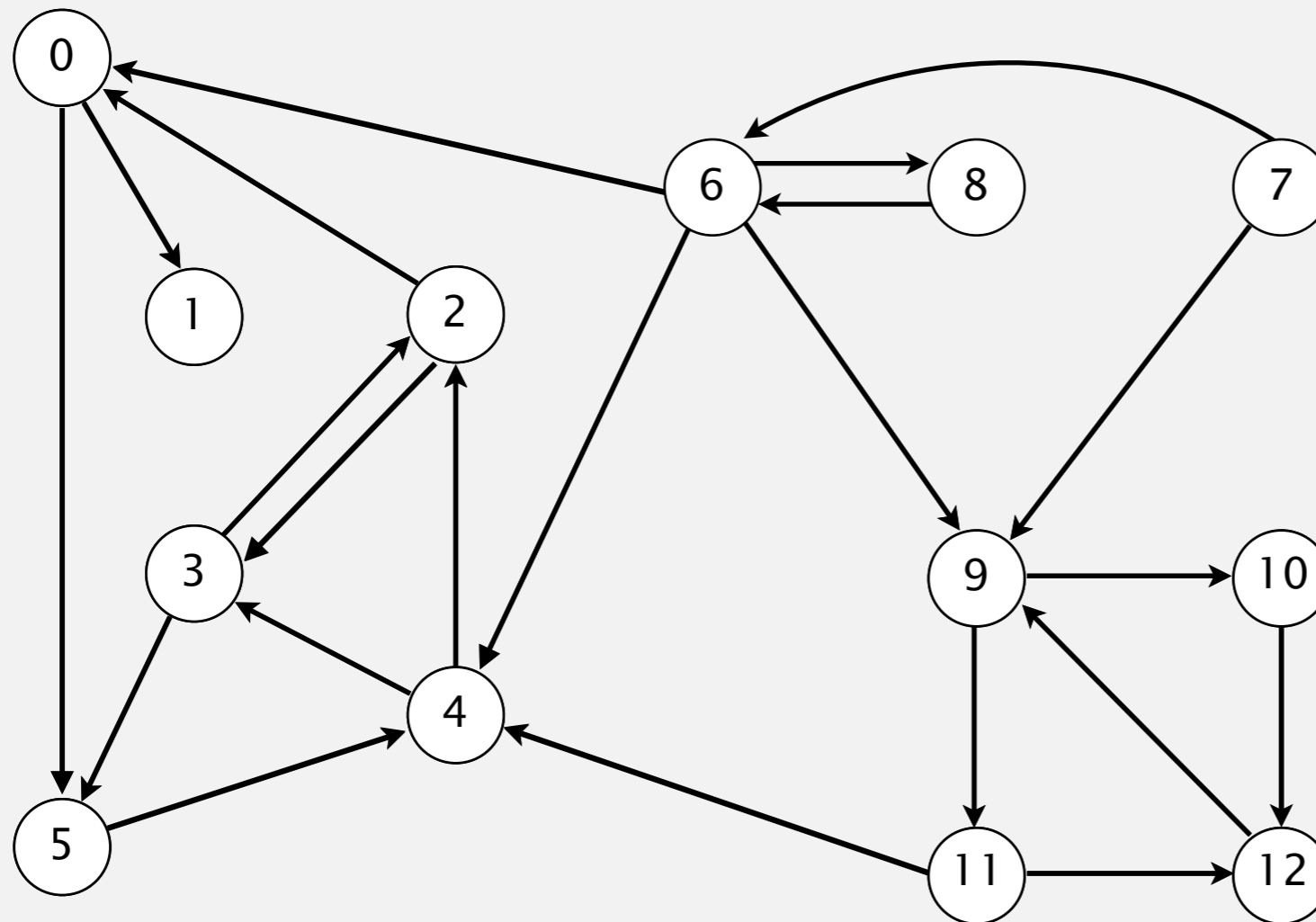
Mark vertex v .

Recursively visit all unmarked
vertices w adjacent from v .

Depth-first search demo

To visit a vertex v :

- Mark vertex v as visited.
- Recursively visit all unmarked vertices adjacent from v .



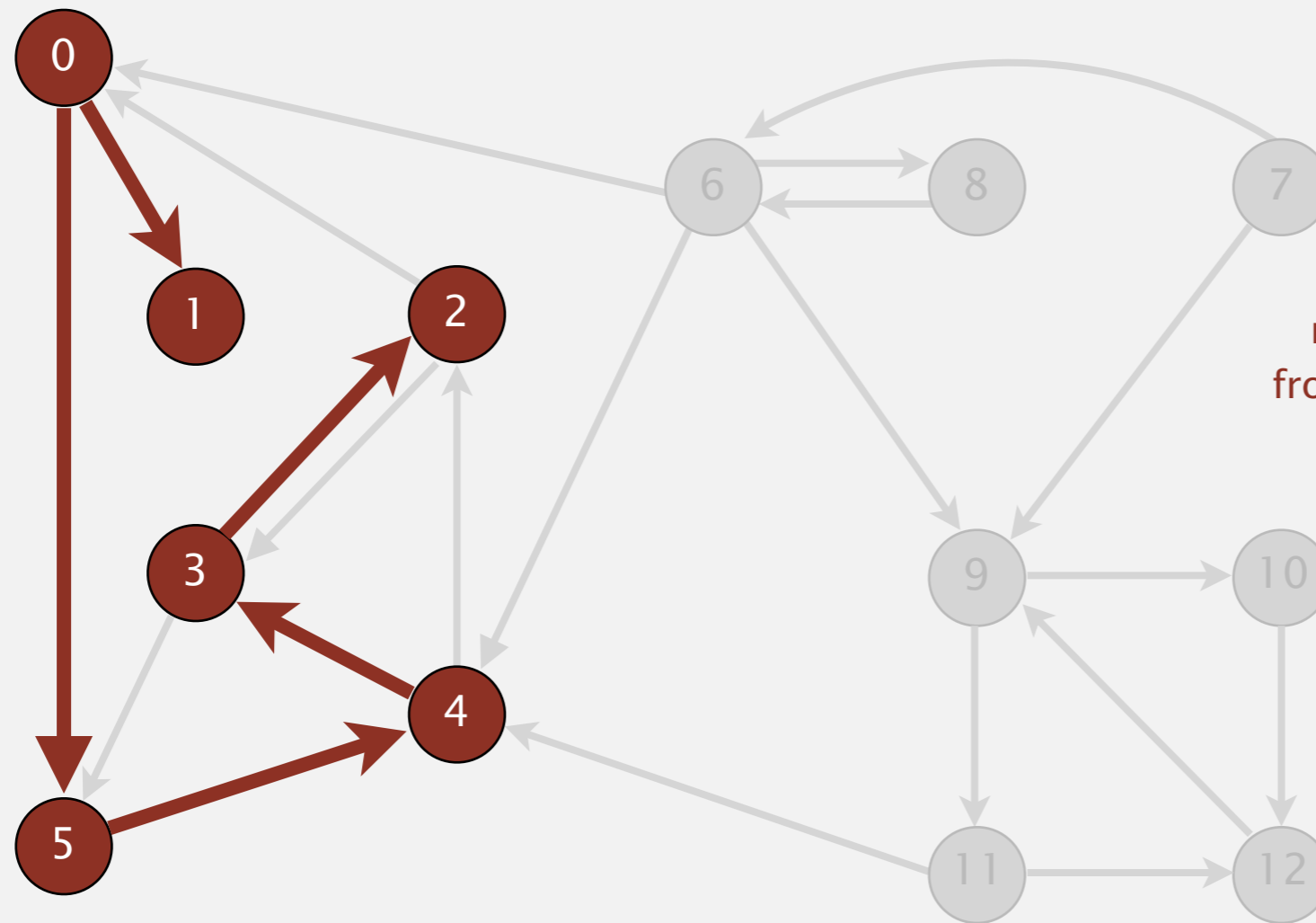
a directed graph

- 4→2
- 2→3
- 3→2
- 6→0
- 0→1
- 2→0
- 11→12
- 12→9
- 9→10
- 9→11
- 8→9
- 10→12
- 11→4
- 4→3
- 3→5
- 6→8
- 8→6
- 5→4
- 0→5
- 6→4
- 6→9
- 7→6

Depth-first search demo

To visit a vertex v :

- Mark vertex v as visited.
- Recursively visit all unmarked vertices adjacent from v .



reachable
from vertex 0

v	marked[]	edgeTo[]
0	T	-
1	T	0
2	T	3
3	T	4
4	T	5
5	T	0
6	F	-
7	F	-
8	F	-
9	F	-
10	F	-
11	F	-
12	F	-

reachable from 0

Depth-first search (in undirected graphs)

Recall code for **undirected** graphs.

```
public class DepthFirstSearch  
{
```

```
    private boolean[] marked;
```

← true if connected to s

```
    public DepthFirstSearch(Graph G, int s)  
    {  
        marked = new boolean[G.V()];  
        dfs(G, s);  
    }
```

← constructor marks
vertices connected to s

```
    private void dfs(Graph G, int v)  
    {  
        marked[v] = true;  
        for (int w : G.adj(v))  
            if (!marked[w])  
                dfs(G, w);  
    }
```

← recursive DFS does the work

```
    public boolean visited(int v)  
    { return marked[v]; }
```

← is vertex v is connected to s ?

```
}
```


Depth-first search (in directed graphs)

Code for **directed** graphs identical to undirected one.

```
public class DirectedDFS  
{
```

```
    private boolean[] marked;
```

← true if connected to s

```
    public DirectedDFS(Digraph G, int s)  
    {  
        marked = new boolean[G.V()];  
        dfs(G, s);  
    }
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← recursive DFS does the work

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    public boolean visited(int v)  
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```

← is vertex v reachable from s ?

```
}
```

Reachability application: program control-flow analysis

Every program is a digraph.

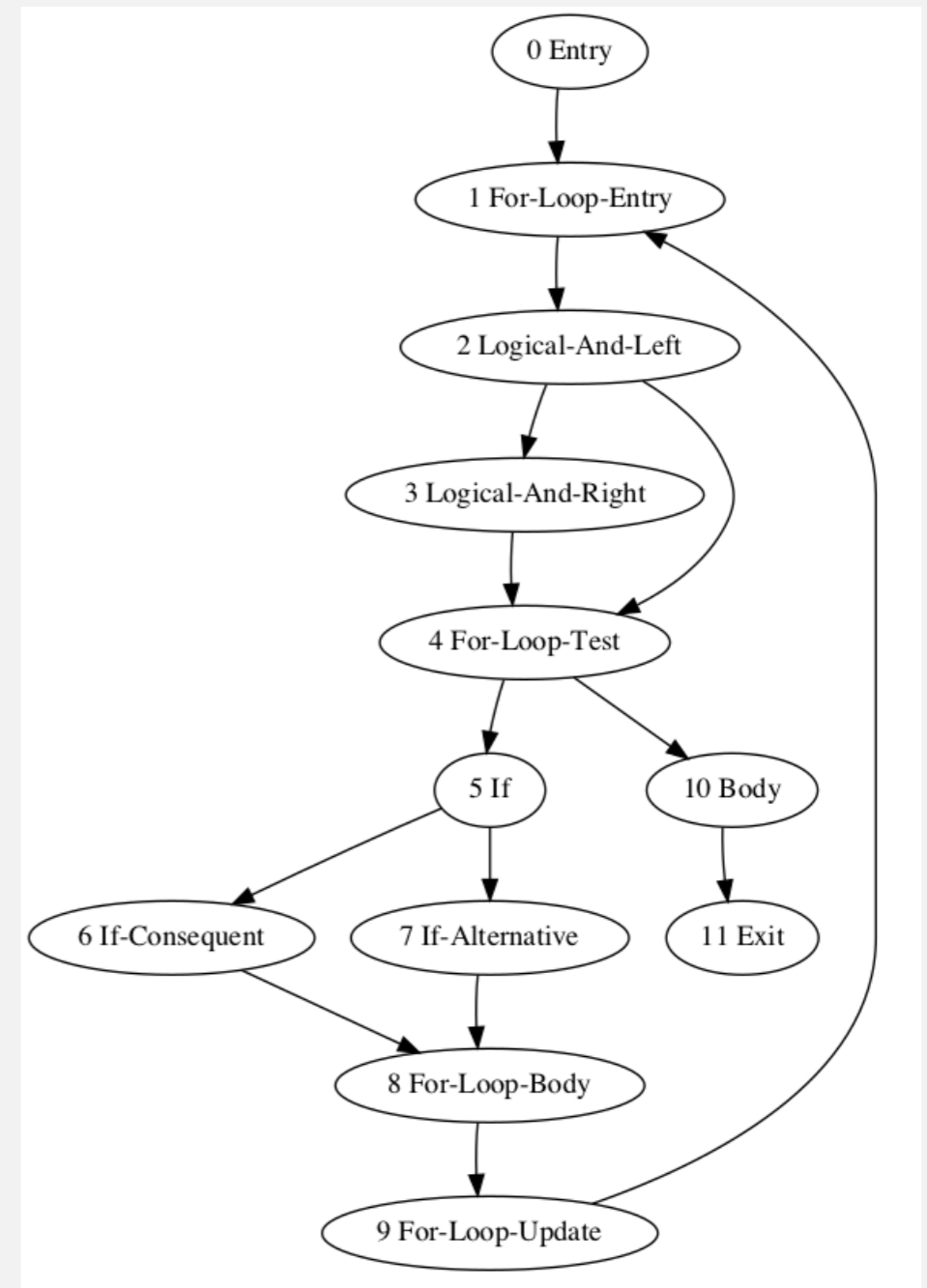
- Vertex = basic block of instructions (straight-line program).
- Edge = jump.

Dead-code elimination.

Find (and remove) unreachable code.

Infinite-loop detection.

Determine whether exit is unreachable.



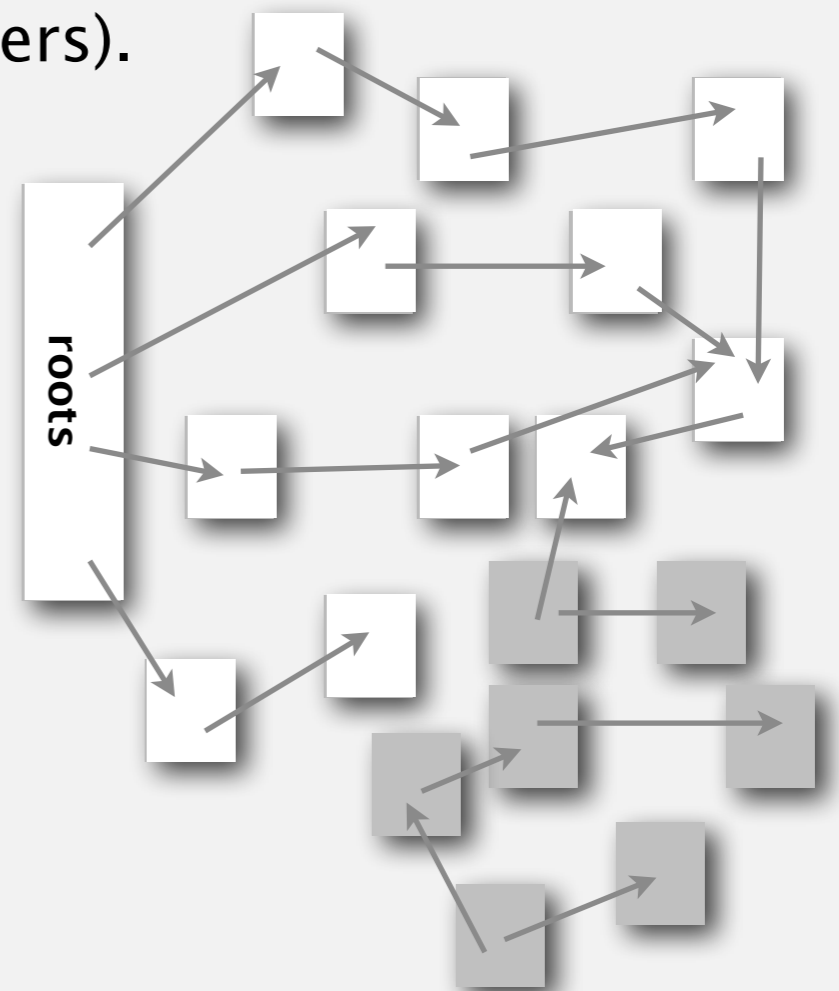
Reachability application: mark-sweep garbage collector

Every data structure is a digraph.

- Vertex = object.
- Edge = reference.

Roots. Objects known to be directly accessible by program (e.g., stack).

Reachable objects. Objects indirectly accessible by program (starting at a root and following a chain of pointers).

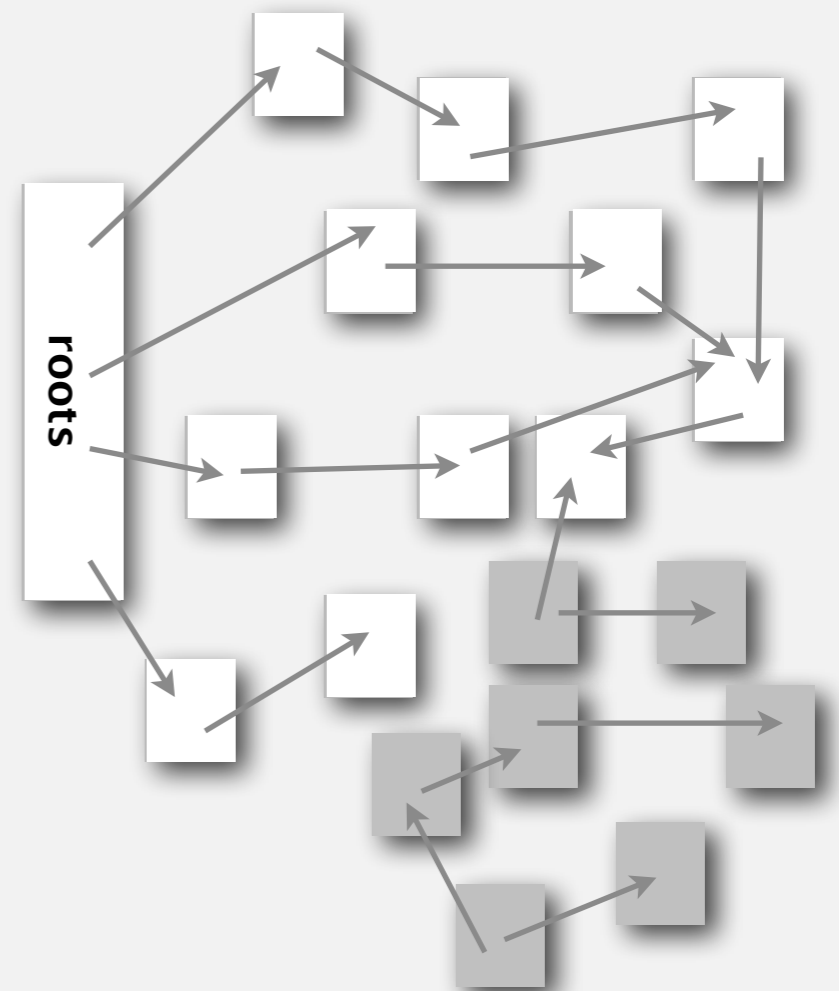


Reachability application: mark-sweep garbage collector

Mark-sweep algorithm. [McCarthy, 1960]

- Mark: mark all reachable objects.
- Sweep: if object is unmarked, it is garbage (so add to free list).

Memory cost. Uses 1 extra mark bit per object (plus DFS stack).



Depth-first search in digraphs summary

DFS enables direct solution of simple digraph problems.

- ✓ • Reachability.
- ✓ • Path finding.
- Topological sort.
- Directed cycle detection.

Basis for solving difficult digraph problems.

- 2-satisfiability.
- Directed Euler path.
- Strongly connected components.

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DEPTH-FIRST SEARCH AND LINEAR GRAPH ALGORITHMS*

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Abstract. The value of depth-first search or “backtracking” as a technique for solving problems is illustrated by two examples. An improved version of an algorithm for finding the strongly connected components of a directed graph and an algorithm for finding the biconnected components of an undirect graph are presented. The space and time requirements of both algorithms are bounded by $k_1V + k_2E + k_3$ for some constants k_1, k_2 , and k_3 , where V is the number of vertices and E is the number of edges of the graph being examined.



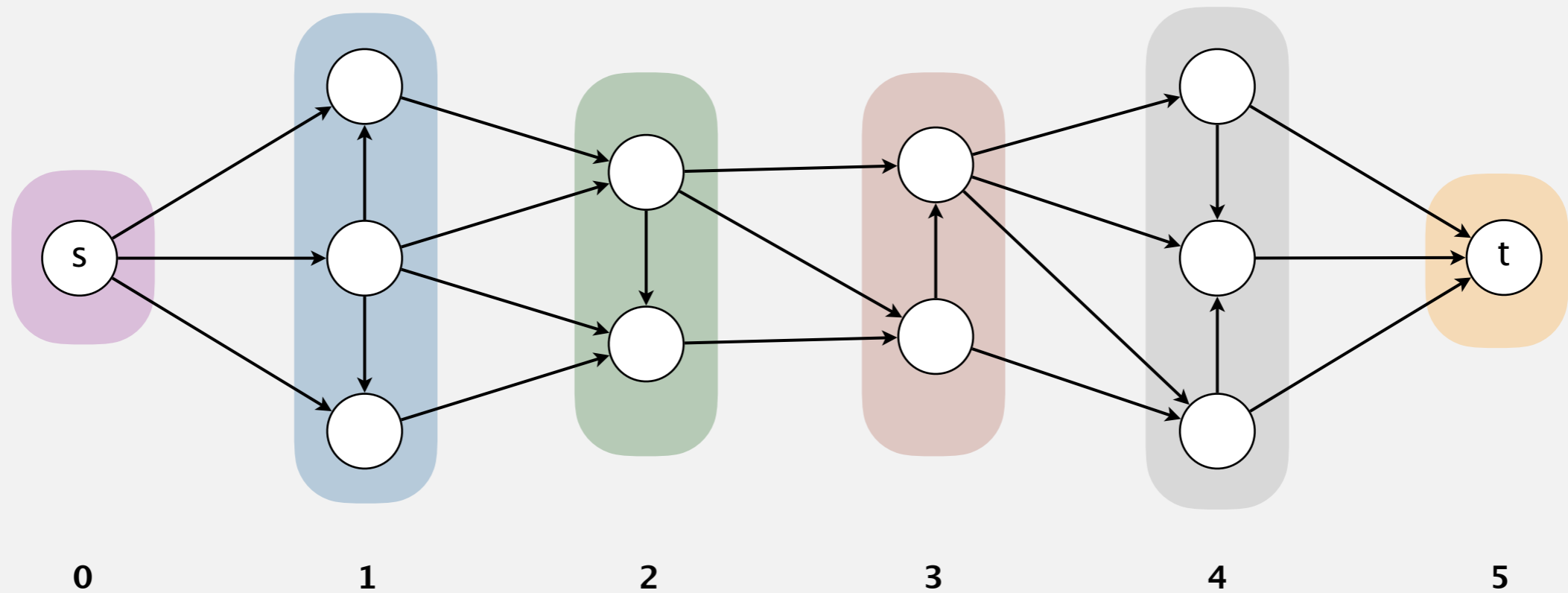
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Shortest directed paths

Problem. Find directed path from s to each vertex that uses fewest edges.



Breadth-first search in digraphs

Same method as for undirected graphs.

- Every undirected graph is a digraph (with edges in both directions).
- BFS is a **digraph** algorithm.

BFS (from source vertex s)

Put s onto a FIFO queue, and mark s as visited.

Repeat until the queue is empty:

- remove the least recently added vertex v
 - for each unmarked vertex adjacent from v :
add to queue and mark as visited.
-

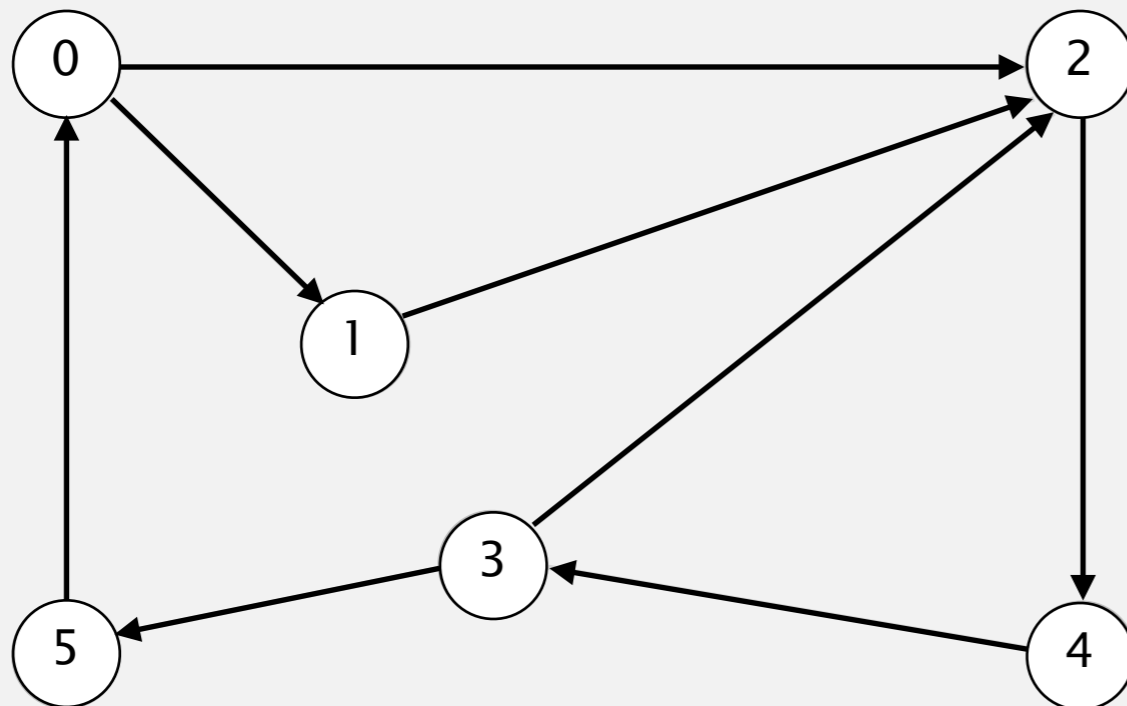
Proposition. In worst case, BFS computes directed path with fewest edges from s to each vertex in time proportional to $E + V$.

Directed breadth-first search demo

Repeat until queue is empty:



- Remove vertex v from queue.
- Add to queue all unmarked vertices adjacent from v and mark them.



tinyDG2.txt

V → 6
8 ← E

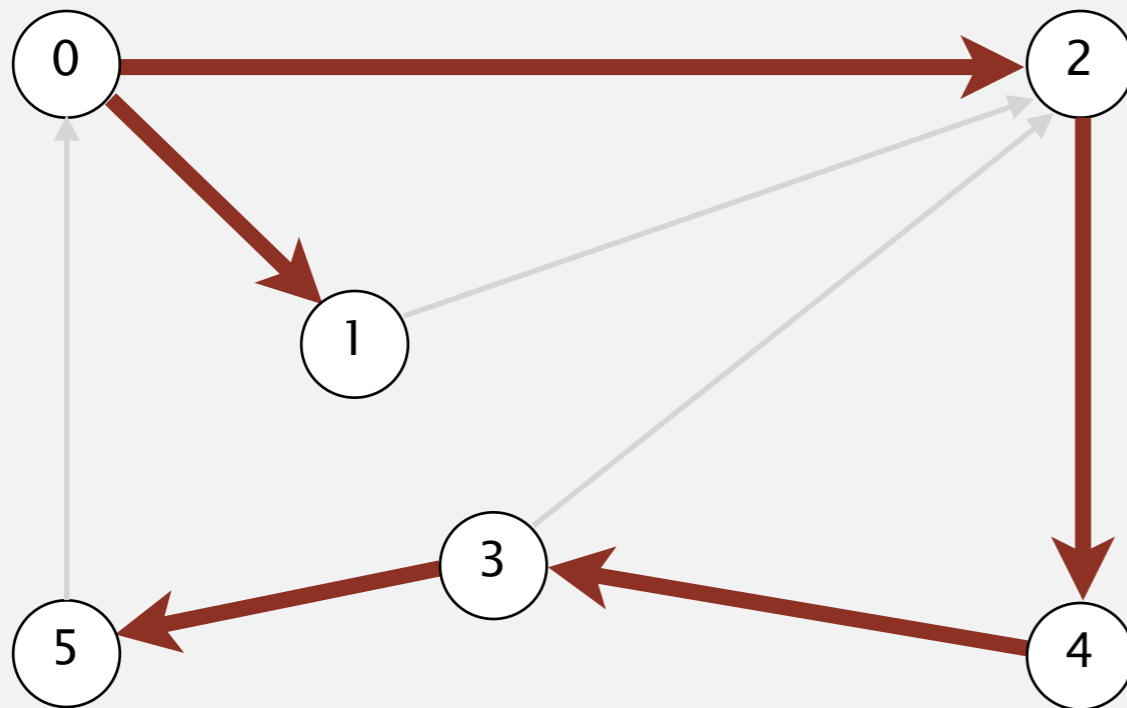
5 0
2 4
3 2
1 2
0 1
4 3
3 5
0 2

graph G

Directed breadth-first search demo

Repeat until queue is empty:

- Remove vertex v from queue.
- Add to queue all unmarked vertices adjacent from v and mark them.



v	edgeTo[]	marked[]
0	-	T
1	0	T
2	0	T
3	4	T
4	2	T
5	3	T

all done

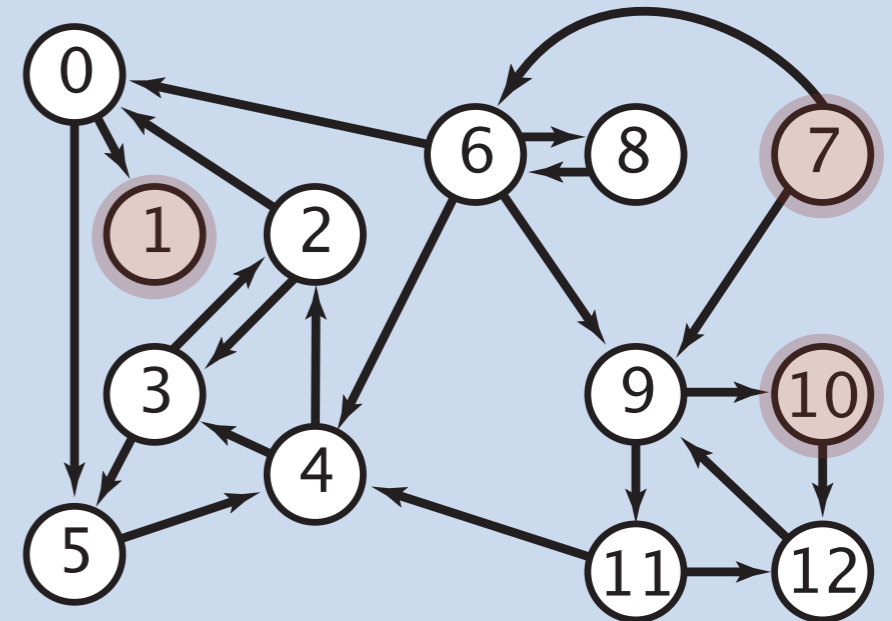
MULTIPLE-SOURCE SHORTEST PATHS



Given a digraph and a **set** of source vertices, find shortest path from **any** vertex in the set to every other vertex.

Ex. $S = \{ 1, 7, 10 \}$.

- Shortest path to 4 is $7 \rightarrow 6 \rightarrow 4$.
- Shortest path to 5 is $7 \rightarrow 6 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 5$.
- Shortest path to 12 is $10 \rightarrow 12$.



needed for Assignment 6



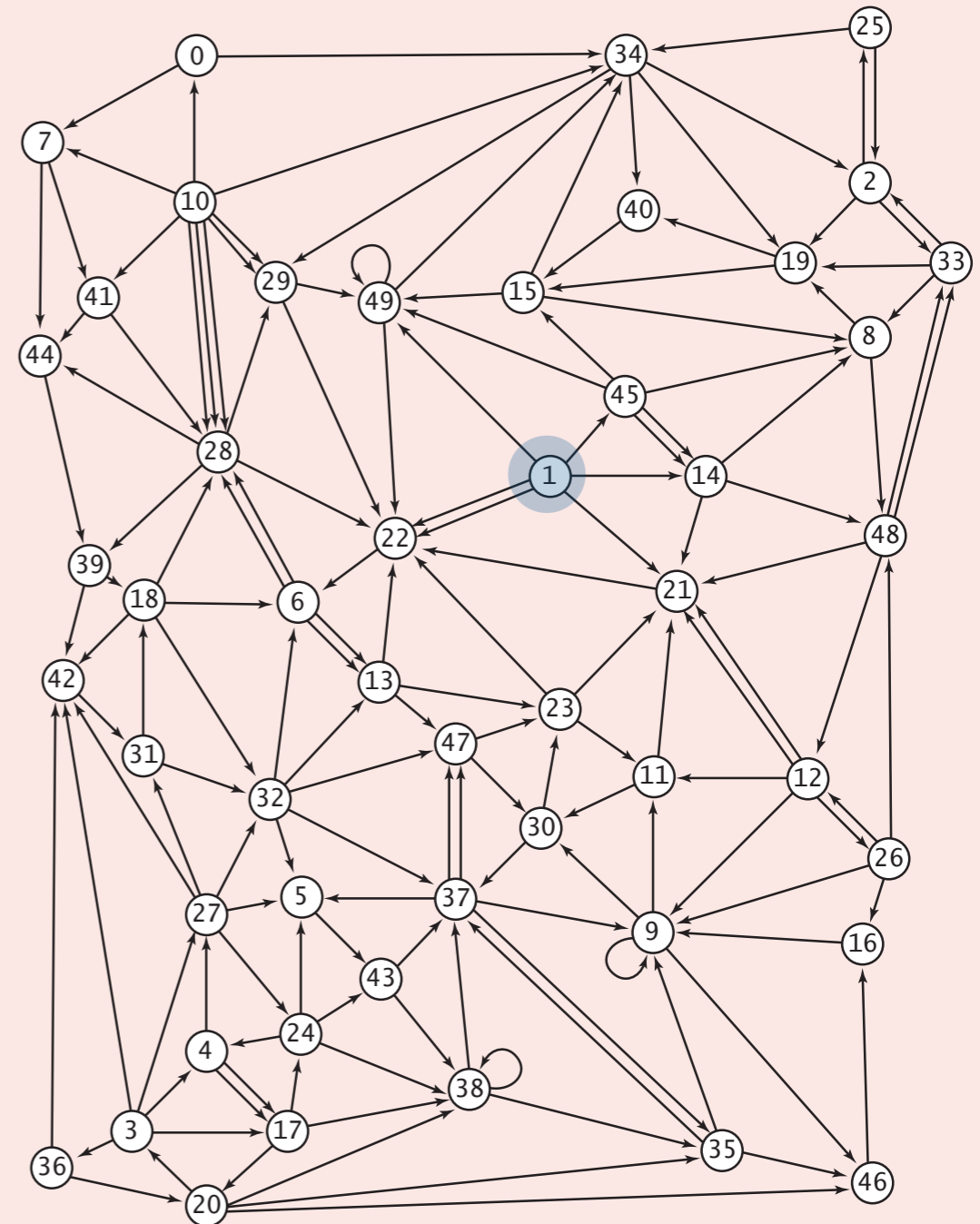
Q. How to implement **multi-source** shortest paths algorithm?

Directed graphs: quiz 3



Suppose that you want to design a web crawler. Which graph-search algorithm should you use?

- A. depth-first search
- B. breadth-first search
- C. either A or B
- D. neither A nor B



Web crawler output

BFS crawl

```
http://www.princeton.edu
http://www.w3.org
http://ogp.me
http://giving.princeton.edu
http://www.princetonartmuseum.org
http://www.goprincetontigers.com
http://library.princeton.edu
http://helpdesk.princeton.edu
http://tigernet.princeton.edu
http://alumni.princeton.edu
http://gradschool.princeton.edu
http://vimeo.com
http://princetonusg.com
http://artmuseum.princeton.edu
http://jobs.princeton.edu
http://odoc.princeton.edu
http://blogs.princeton.edu
http://www.facebook.com
http://twitter.com
http://www.youtube.com
http://deimos.apple.com
http://qeprize.org
http://en.wikipedia.org
...
```

DFS crawl

```
http://www.princeton.edu
http://deimos.apple.com
http://www.youtube.com
http://www.google.com
http://news.google.com
http://csi.gstatic.com
http://googlenewsblog.blogspot.com
http://labs.google.com
http://groups.google.com
http://img1.blogblog.com
http://feeds.feedburner.com
http://buttons.google syndication.com
http://fusion.google.com
http://insidesearch.blogspot.com
http://agoogleaday.com
http://static.googleusercontent.com
http://searchresearch1.blogspot.com
http://feedburner.google.com
http://www.dot.ca.gov
http://www.TahoeRoads.com
http://www.LakeTahoeTransit.com
http://www.laketahoe.com
http://ethel.tahoeguide.com
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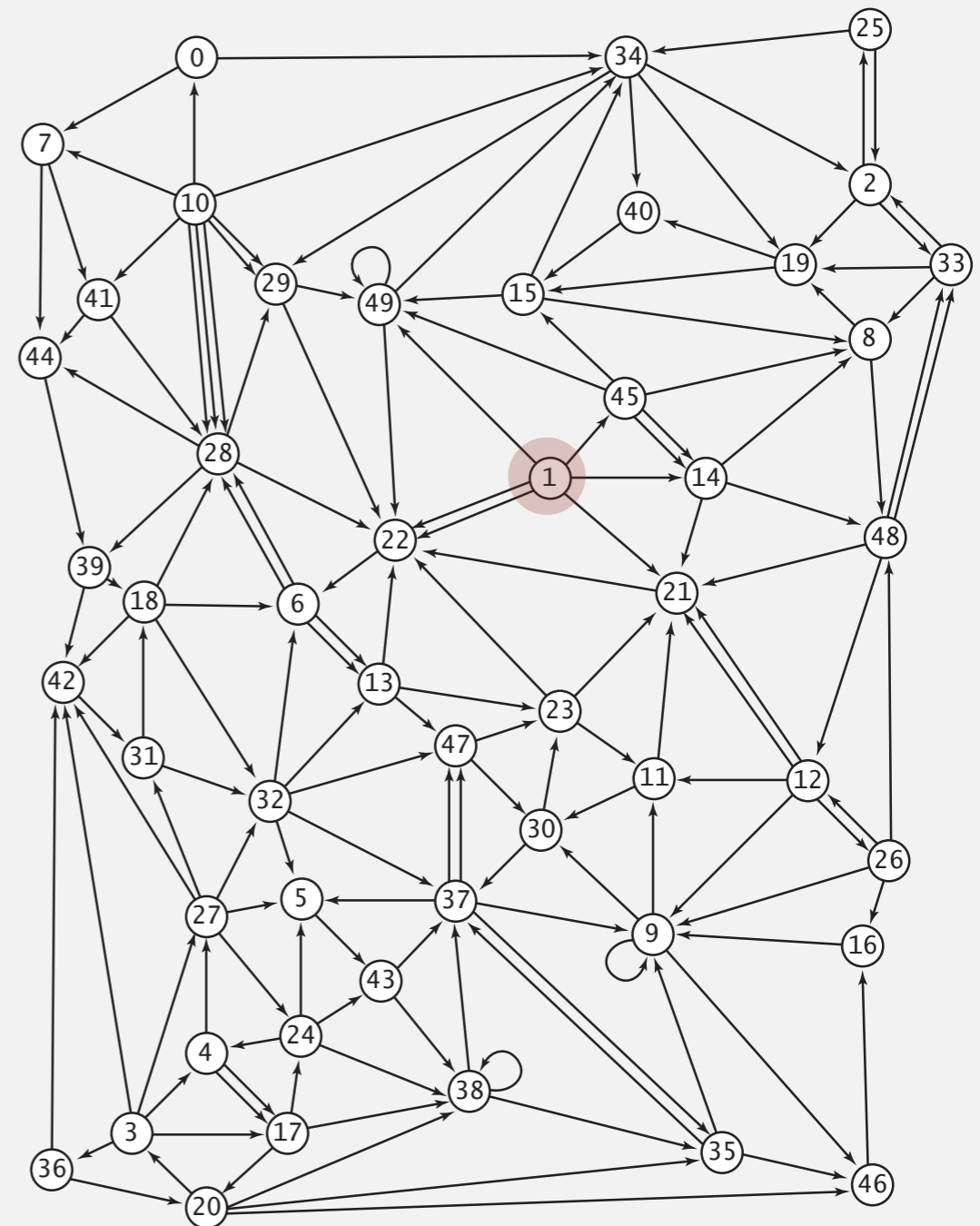
Breadth-first search in digraphs application: web crawler

Goal. Crawl web, starting from some root web page, say `www.princeton.edu`.

Solution. [BFS with implicit digraph]

- Choose root web page as source s .
- Maintain a Queue of websites to explore.
- Maintain a SET of marked websites.
- Dequeue the next website and enqueue any unmarked websites to which it links.

Remark. Industrial-strength web crawlers use more sophisticated algorithms.



Bare-bones web crawler: Java implementation

```
Queue<String> queue = new Queue<String>();  
SET<String> marked = new SET<String>();
```

← queue of websites to crawl
← set of marked websites

```
String root = "http://www.princeton.edu";  
queue.enqueue(root);  
marked.add(root);
```

← start crawling from root website

```
while (!queue.isEmpty())  
{
```

```
    String v = queue.dequeue();  
    StdOut.println(v);  
    In in = new In(v);  
    String input = in.readAll();
```

← read in raw html from next website in queue

```
    String regexp = "http://(\\w+\\.)+\\w+";  
    Pattern pattern = Pattern.compile(regexp);  
    Matcher matcher = pattern.matcher(input);
```

← use regular expression to find all URLs in website of form http://xxx.yyy.zzz [crude pattern misses relative URLs]

```
    while (matcher.find())  
    {  
        String w = matcher.group();
```

```
        if (!marked.contains(w))  
        {  
            marked.add(w);  
            q.enqueue(w);  
        }  
    }
```

← if unmarked, mark and enqueue

```
}
```



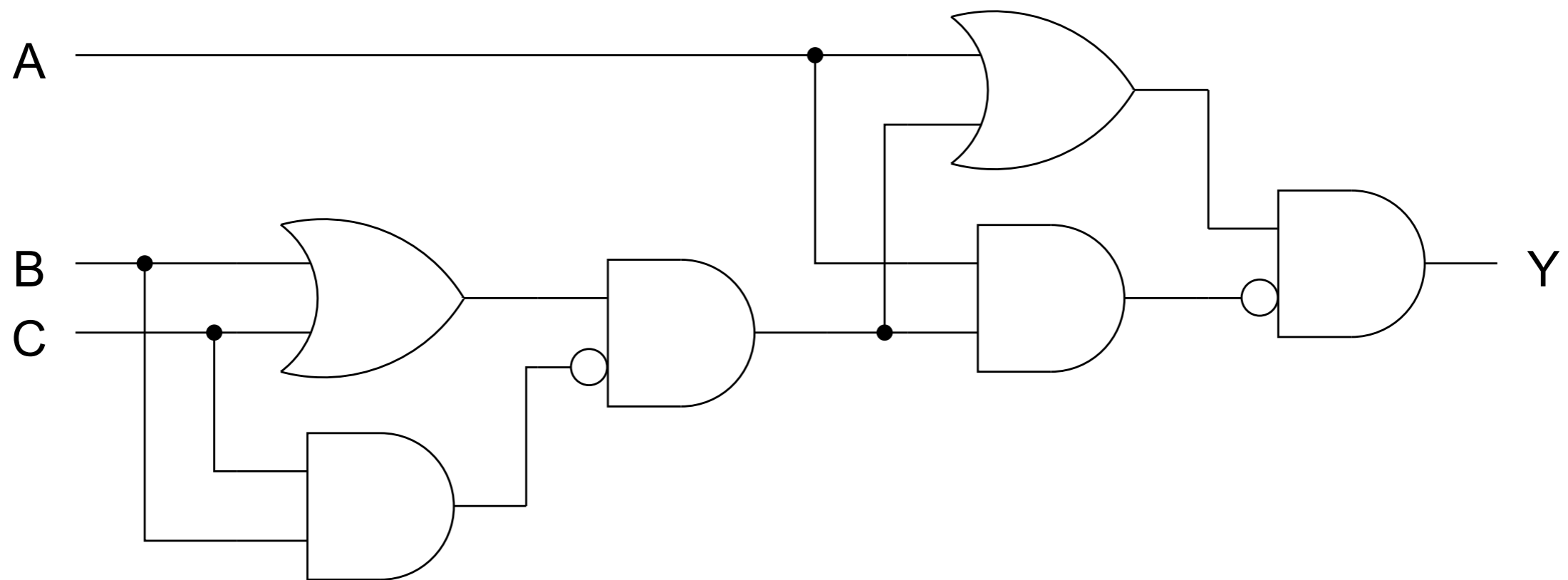
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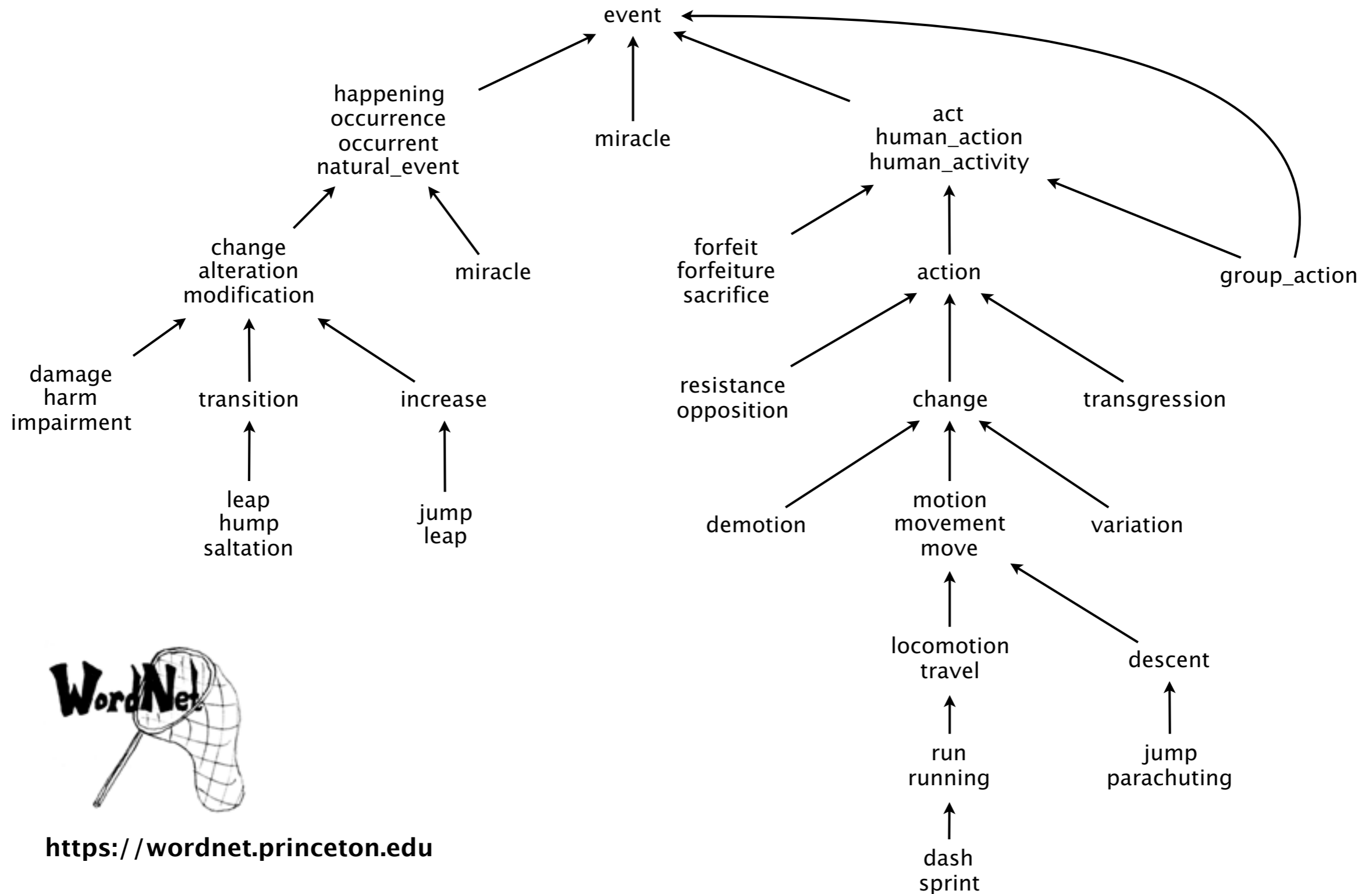
Combinational circuit

Vertex = logical gate; edge = wire.



WordNet digraph

Vertex = synset; edge = hypernym relationship.



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Git digraph

Vertex = revision of repository; edge = revision relationship.

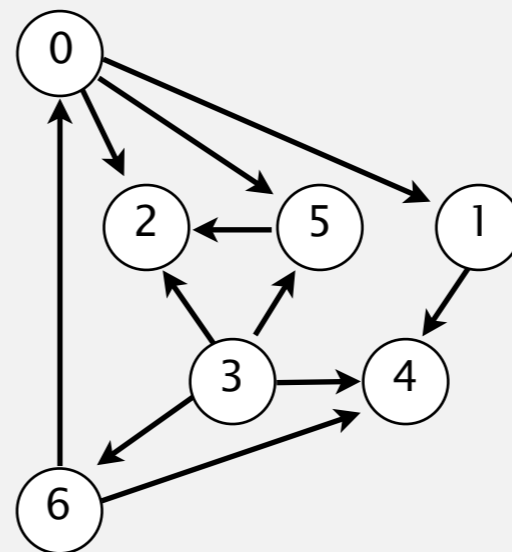
Precedence scheduling

Goal. Given a set of tasks to be completed with precedence constraints, in which order should we schedule the tasks?

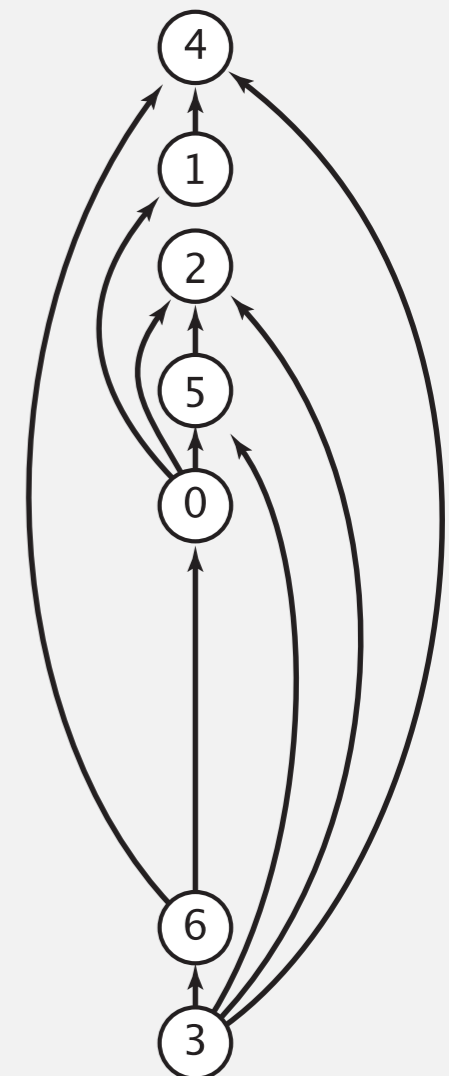
Digraph model. vertex = task; edge = precedence constraint.

- 0. Algorithms
- 1. Complexity Theory
- 2. Machine Learning
- 3. Intro to CS
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- 5. Scientific Computing
- 6. Discrete Math

tasks



precedence constraint graph



feasible schedule

Topological sort

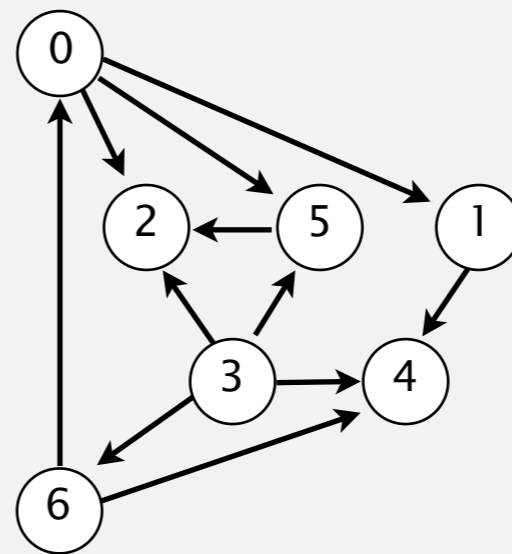
DAG. Directed **acyclic** graph.

Topological sort. Redraw DAG so all edges point upwards.

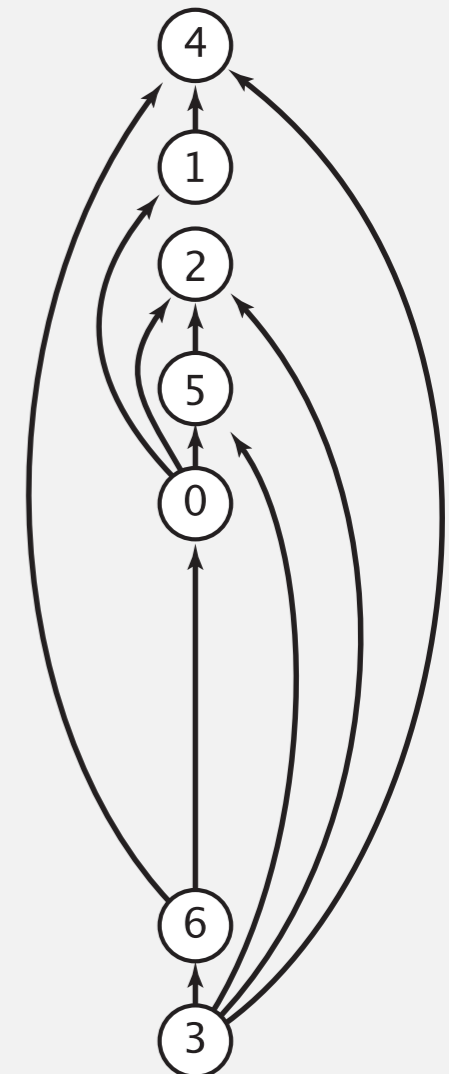
↑
edges in DAG define a “partial order” for vertices

$0 \rightarrow 5$	$0 \rightarrow 2$
$0 \rightarrow 1$	$3 \rightarrow 6$
$3 \rightarrow 5$	$3 \rightarrow 4$
$5 \rightarrow 2$	$6 \rightarrow 4$
$6 \rightarrow 0$	$3 \rightarrow 2$
$1 \rightarrow 4$	

directed edges



DAG

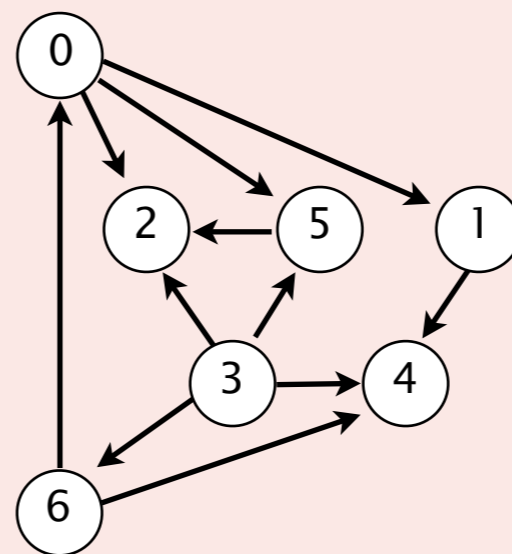


topological order

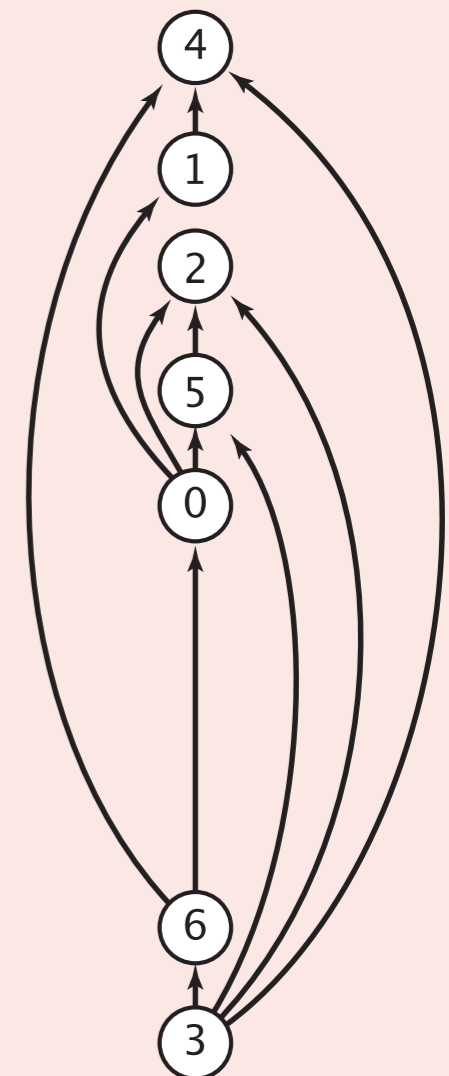


Suppose that you want to topologically sort the vertices in a DAG.
Which graph-search algorithm should you use?

- A. depth-first search
- B. breadth-first search
- C. either A or B
- D. neither A nor B



DAG

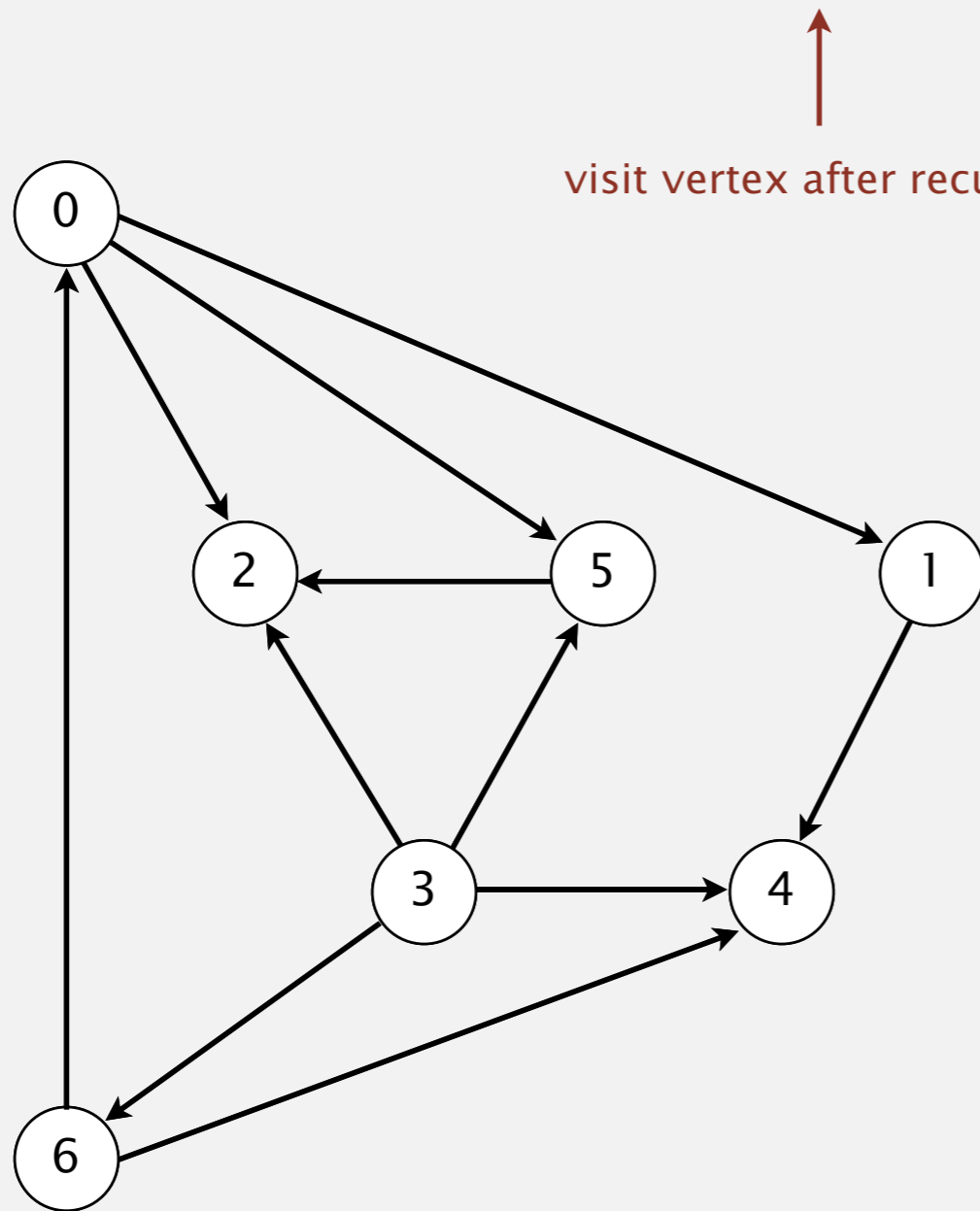


topological order

Topological sort demo



- Run depth-first search.
- Return vertices in reverse DFS postorder.



visit vertex after recursive calls

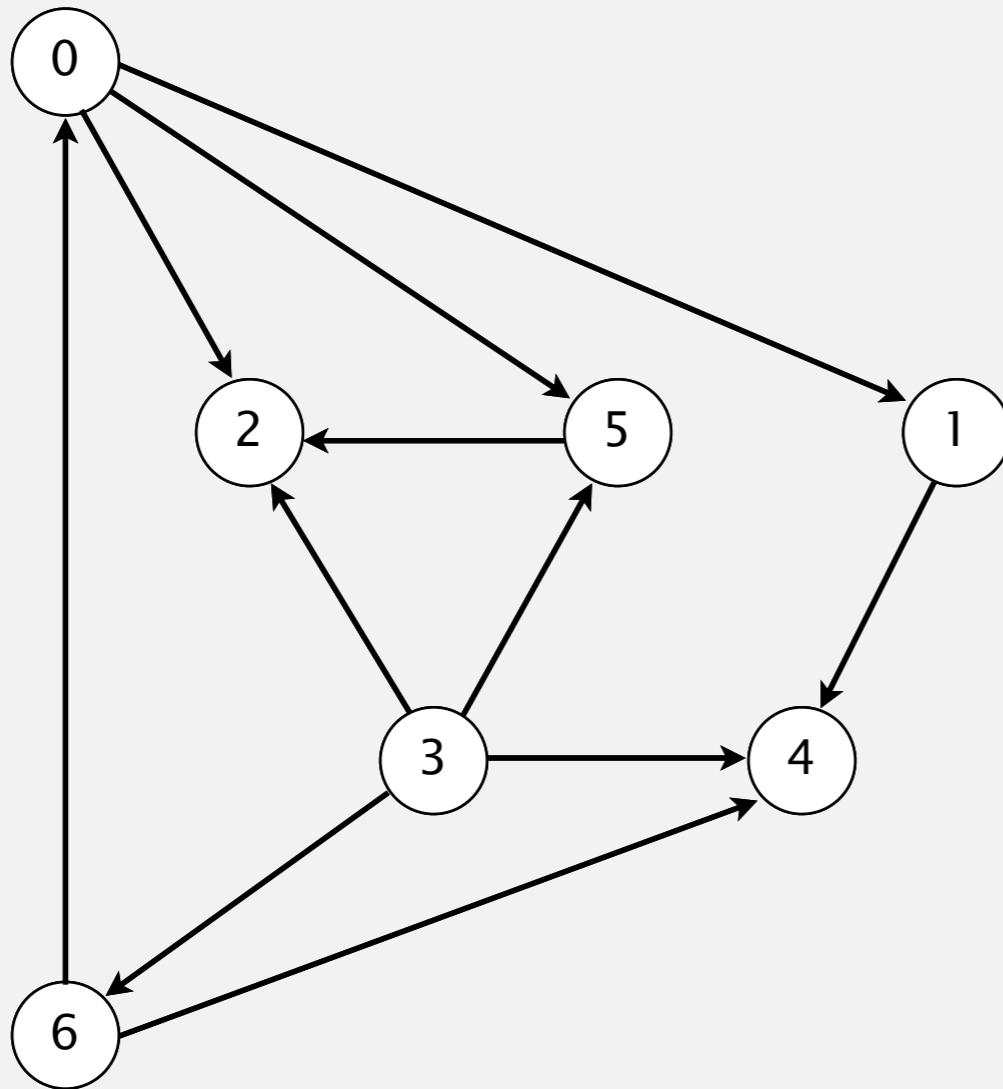
tinyDAG7.txt

```
7
11
0 5
0 2
0 1
3 6
3 5
3 4
5 2
6 4
6 0
3 2
```

a directed acyclic graph

Topological sort demo

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DFS postorder

4 1 2 5 0 6 3

**topological order
(reverse DFS postorder)**

3 6 0 5 2 1 4

done

Depth-first search: reverse postorder

```
public class DepthFirstOrder
{
    private boolean[] marked;
    private Stack<Integer> reversePostorder;

    public DepthFirstOrder(Digraph G)
    {
        reversePostorder = new Stack<Integer>();
        marked = new boolean[G.V()];
        for (int v = 0; v < G.V(); v++)
            if (!marked[v]) dfs(G, v);
    }

    private void dfs(Digraph G, int v)
    {
        marked[v] = true;
        for (int w : G.adj(v))
            if (!marked[w]) dfs(G, w);
        reversePostorder.push(v);
    }

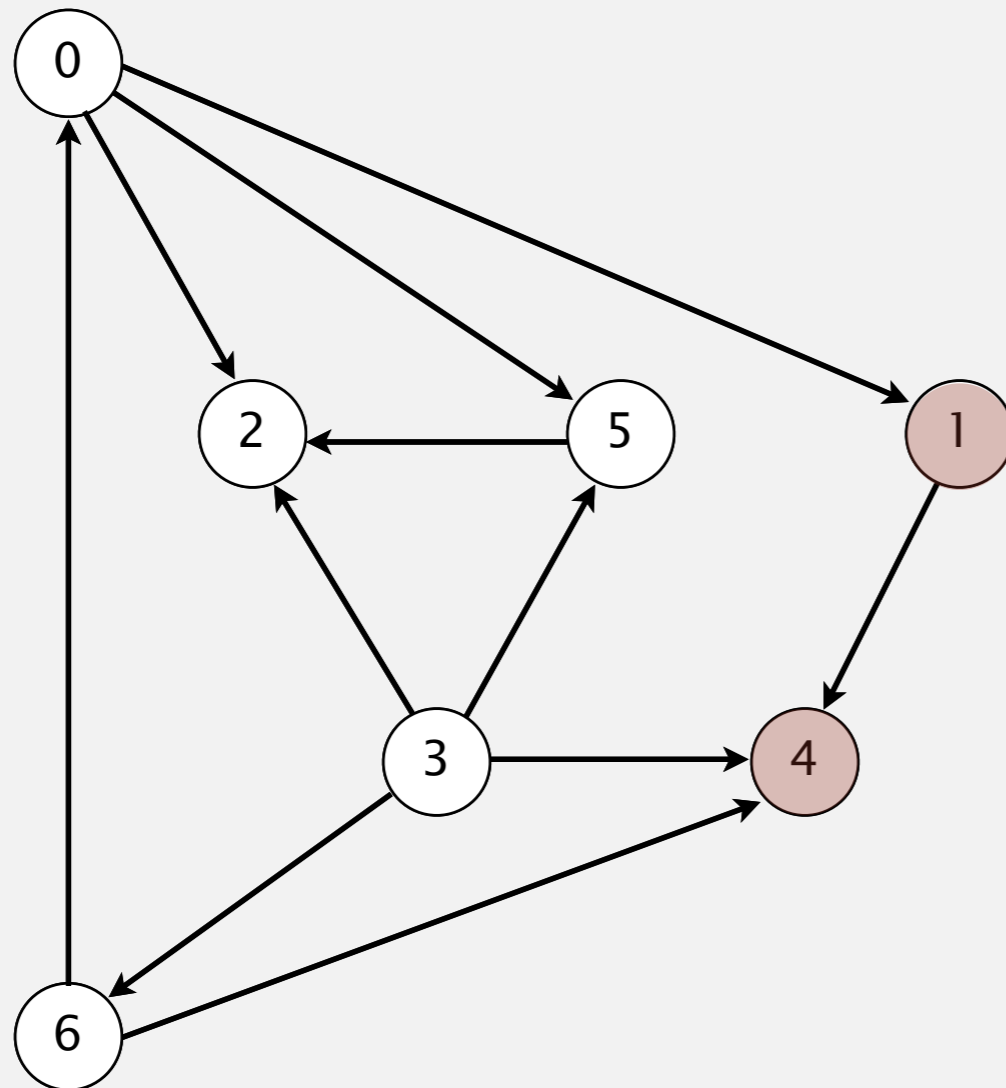
    public Iterable<Integer> reversePostorder()
    { return reversePostorder; }
}
```

← returns all vertices in
“reverse DFS postorder”

Topological sort in a DAG: intuition

Why is the reverse DFS postorder a topological order?

- First vertex in DFS postorder (last in topological order) has outdegree 0.
- Second vertex in DFS postorder can point only to first vertex.
- ...



DFS postorder

4 1 2 5 0 6 3

**topological order
(reverse DFS postorder)**

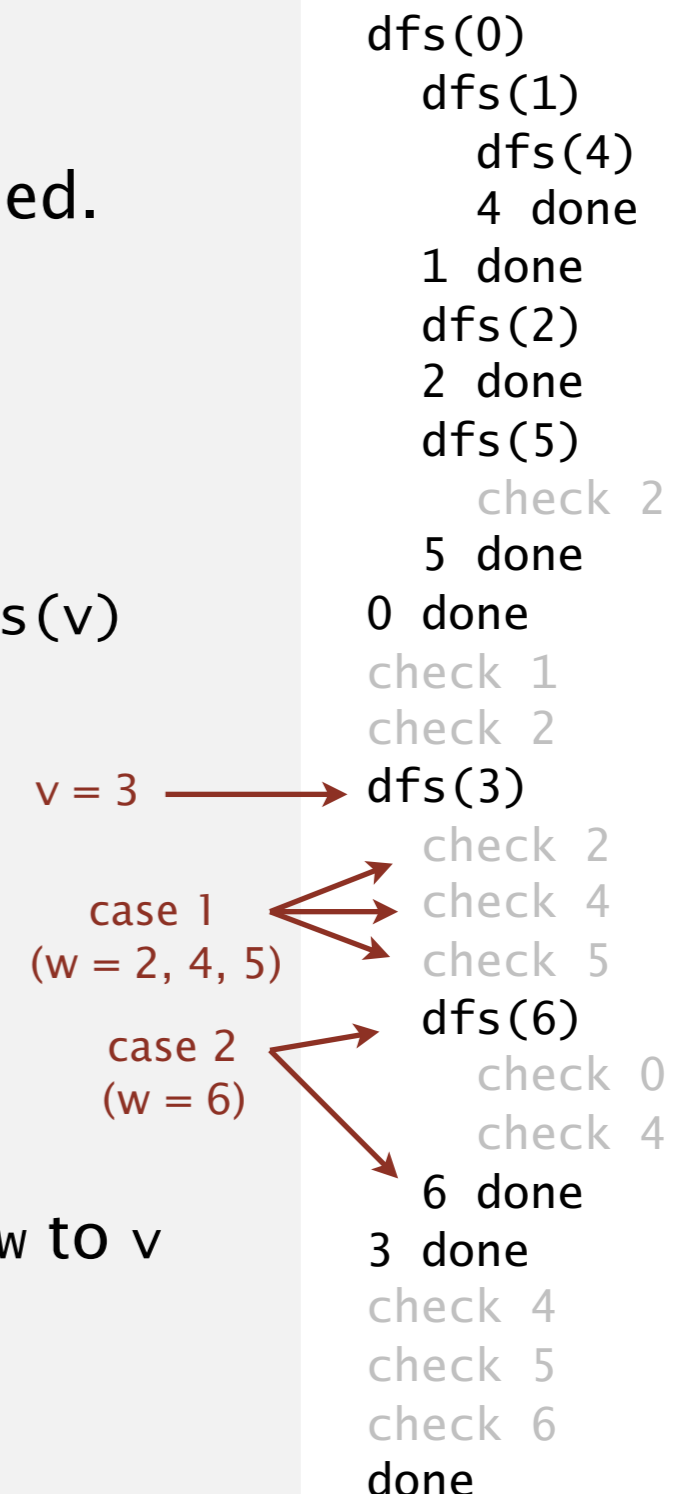
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Topological sort in a DAG: correctness proof

Proposition. Reverse DFS postorder of a DAG is a topological order.

Pf. Consider any edge $v \rightarrow w$. When $\text{dfs}(v)$ is called:

- Case 1: $\text{dfs}(w)$ has already been called and returned.
 - thus, w appears before v in DFS postorder
- Case 2: $\text{dfs}(w)$ has not yet been called.
 - $\text{dfs}(w)$ will get called directly or indirectly by $\text{dfs}(v)$
 - so, $\text{dfs}(w)$ will return before $\text{dfs}(v)$ returns
 - thus, w appears before v in DFS postorder
- Case 3: $\text{dfs}(w)$ has already been called, but has not yet returned.
 - function-call stack contains directed path from w to v
 - edge $v \rightarrow w$ would complete a directed cycle
 - contradiction (it's a DAG)

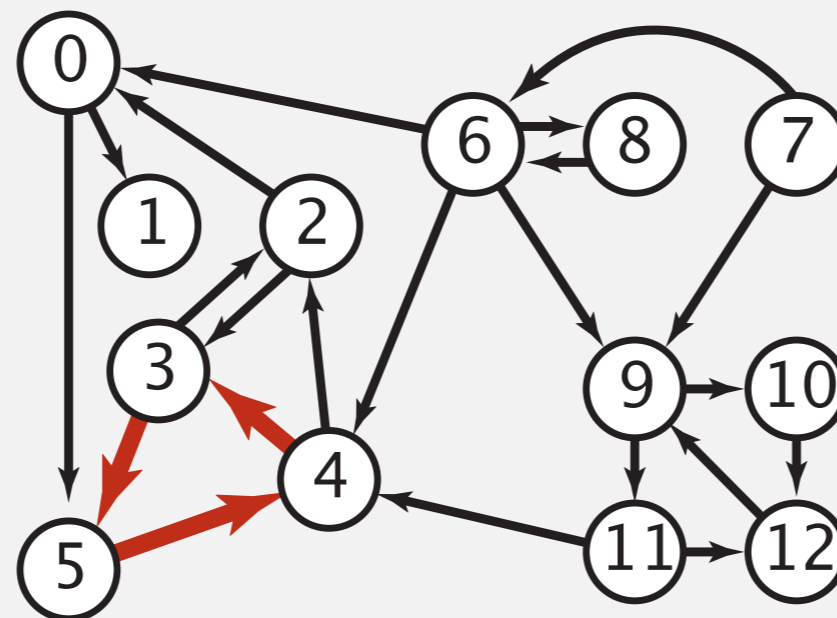


Directed cycle detection

Proposition. A digraph has a topological order iff no directed cycle.

Pf.

- If directed cycle, topological order impossible.
- If no directed cycle, DFS-based algorithm finds a topological order.



a digraph with a directed cycle

Goal. Given a digraph, find a directed cycle.

Solution. DFS. What else? See textbook.

Directed cycle detection application: precedence scheduling

Scheduling. Given a set of tasks to be completed with precedence constraints, in what order should we schedule the tasks?

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<http://xkcd.com/754>

Remark. A directed cycle implies scheduling problem is infeasible.

Directed cycle detection application: cyclic inheritance

The Java compiler does directed cycle detection.

```
public class A extends B
{
    ...
}
```

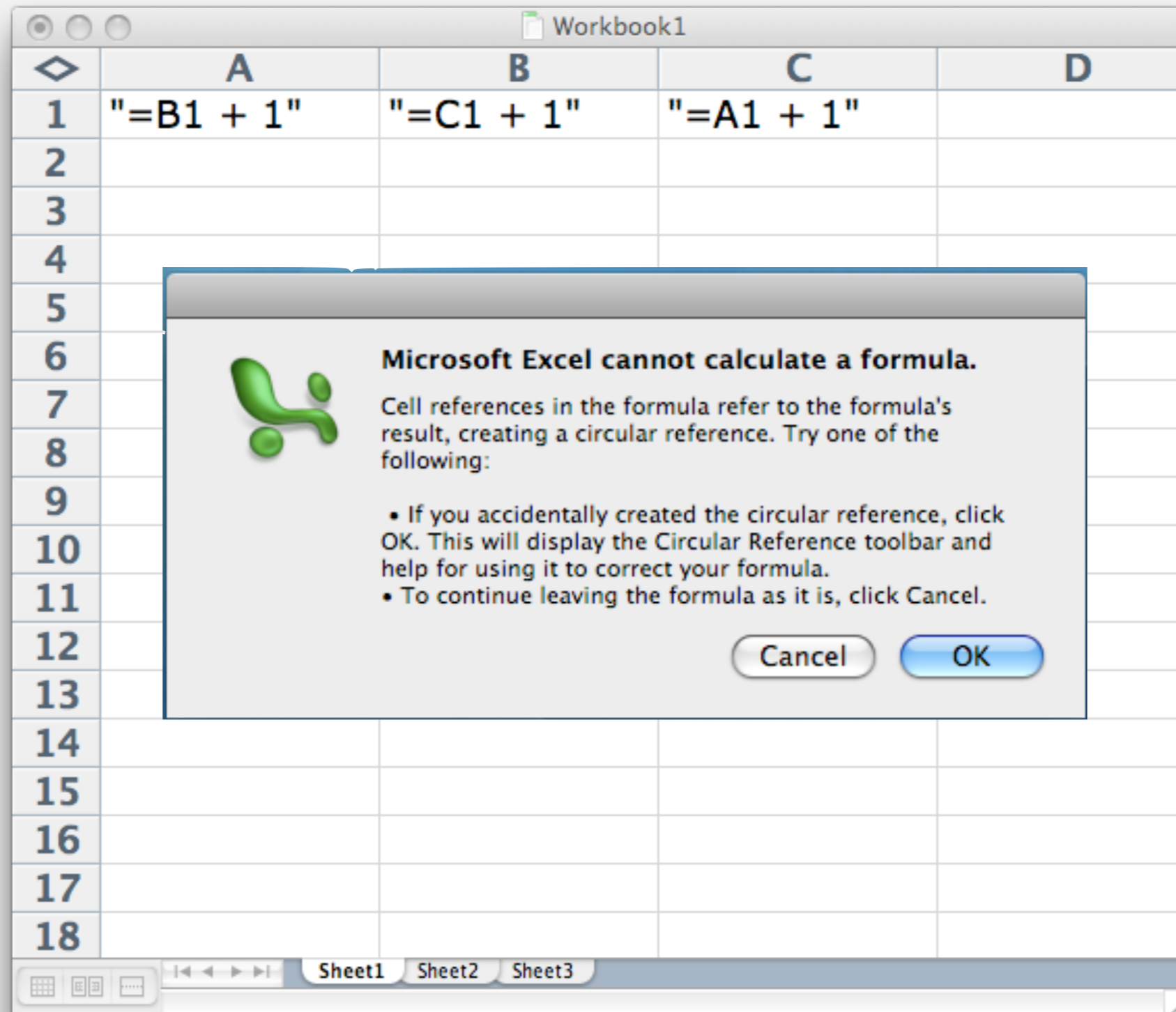
```
public class B extends C
{
    ...
}
```

```
public class C extends A
{
    ...
}
```

```
% javac A.java
A.java:1: cyclic inheritance
involving A
public class A extends B { }
           ^
1 error
```

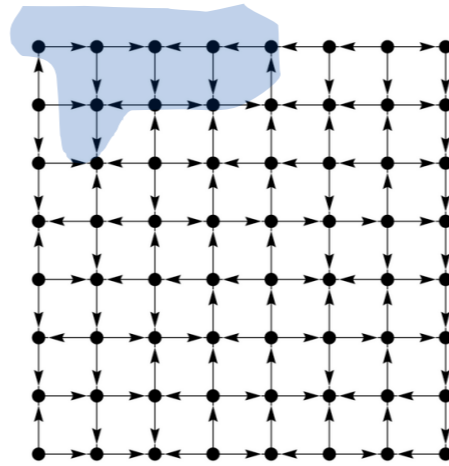
Directed cycle detection application: spreadsheet recalculation

Microsoft Excel does directed cycle detection.



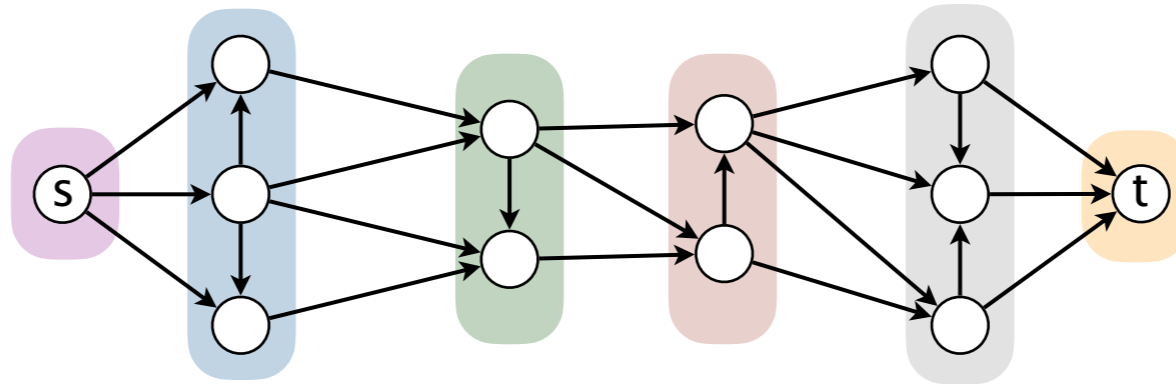
Digraph-processing summary: algorithms of the day

single-source reachability in a digraph



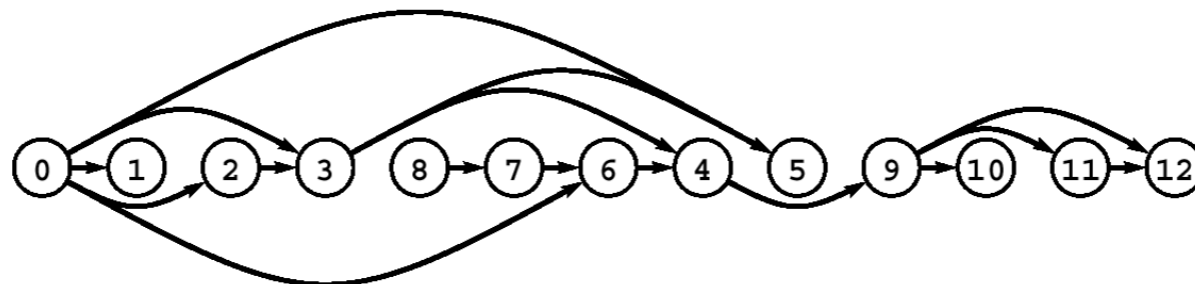
DFS/BFS

shortest path in a digraph



BFS

topological sort in a DAG



DFS