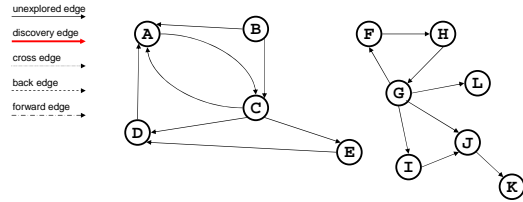


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## Depth-First Search

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Stack (after): A



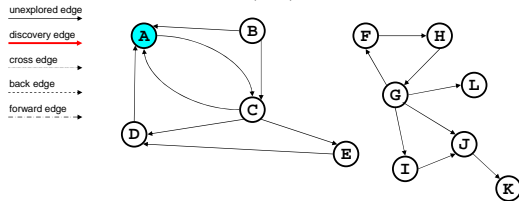
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## Depth-First Search

Stack (before): A  
Stack (after): C



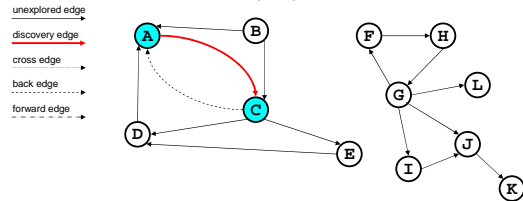
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## Depth-First Search

Stack (before): C  
Stack (after): D, E



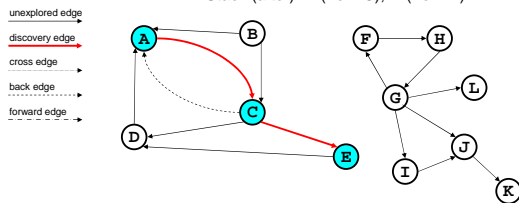
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## Depth-First Search

Stack (before): D (from C), E  
Stack (after): D (from C), D (from E)



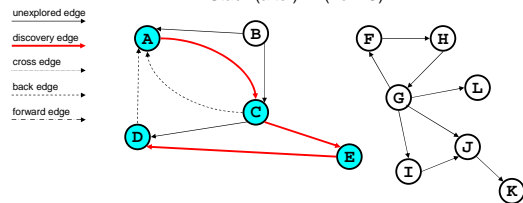
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## Depth-First Search

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### Depth-First Search

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Stack (before): D (from C)  
Stack (after):

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### Depth-First Search

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Stack (before):  
Stack (after): B

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### Depth-First Search

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Stack (before): B  
Stack (after):

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### Depth-First Search

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Stack (before):  
Stack (after): F

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Stack (before): F  
Stack (after): H

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### Depth-First Search

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Stack (before): H  
Stack (after): G

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### Depth-First Search

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Stack (before): G  
Stack (after): I, J, L

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### Depth-First Search

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Stack (before): I, J, L  
Stack (after): I, J

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### Depth-First Search

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Stack (before): I, J  
Stack (after): I, K

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### Depth-First Search

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Stack (before): I, K  
Stack (after): I

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### Depth-First Search

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Stack (before): I  
Stack (after):

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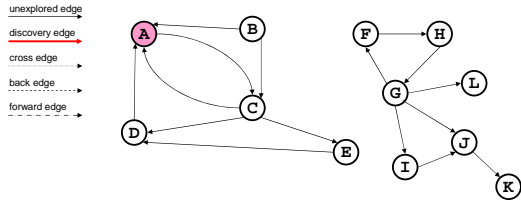
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## Breadth-First Search

Queue (before): A  
Queue (after): C



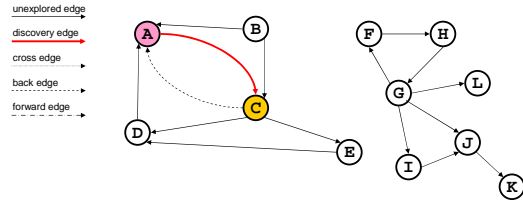
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## Breadth-First Search

Queue (before): C  
Queue (after): D, E



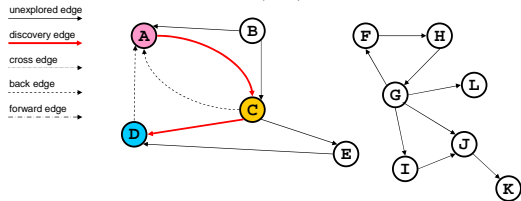
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## Breadth-First Search

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Queue (after): E



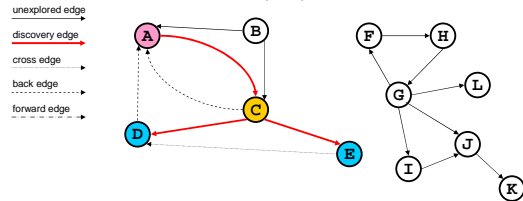
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## Breadth-First Search

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Queue (after):



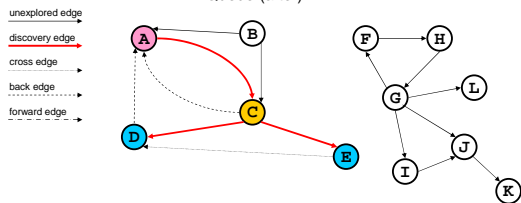
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## Breadth-First Search

Queue (before):  
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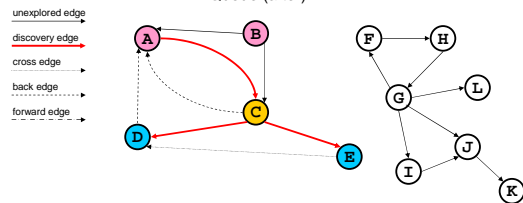
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## Breadth-First Search

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### Breadth-First Search

Queue (before): B  
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### Breadth-First Search

Queue (before):  
Queue (after): F

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### Breadth-First Search

Queue (before): F  
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### Breadth-First Search

Queue (before): H  
Queue (after): G

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### Breadth-First Search

Queue (before): G  
Queue (after): I, J, L

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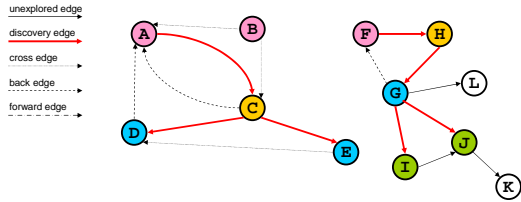
### Breadth-First Search

Queue (before): I, J, L  
Queue (after): J (from G), L, J (from I)

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## Breadth-First Search

Queue (before): J (from G), L, J (from I)  
Queue (after): L, J (from I), K



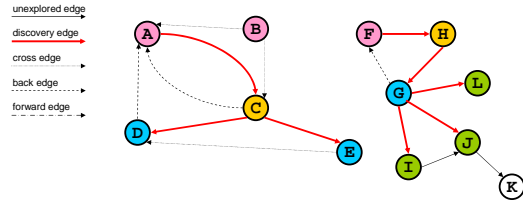
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## Breadth-First Search

Queue (before): L, J (from I), K  
Queue (after): J (from I), K



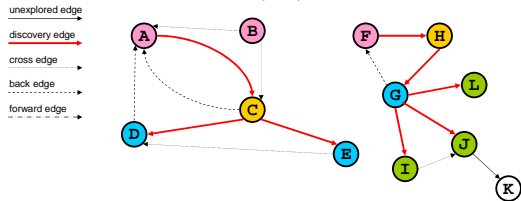
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## Breadth-First Search

Queue (before): J (from I), K  
Queue (after): K



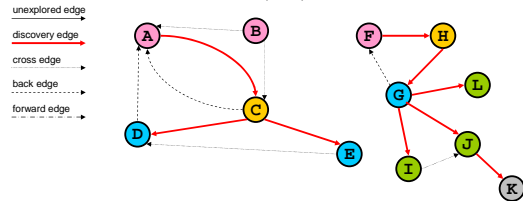
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## Breadth-First Search

Queue (before): K  
Queue (after):



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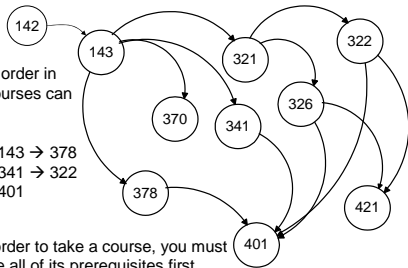
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## Topological Sort

**Problem:** Find an order in which all these courses can be taken.

Example: 142 → 143 → 378  
→ 370 → 321 → 341 → 322  
→ 326 → 421 → 401

In order to take a course, you must take all of its prerequisites first



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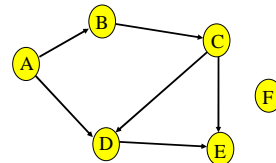
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## Topological Sort

Given a digraph  $G = (V, E)$ , find a total ordering of its vertices such that:

for any edge  $(v, w)$  in  $E$ ,  $v$  precedes  $w$  in the ordering

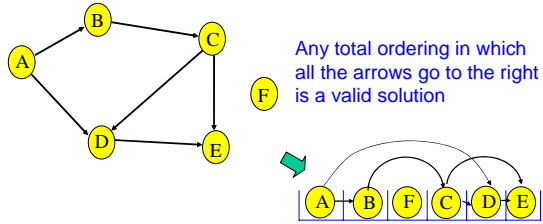


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## Topo sort - good example



Any total ordering in which all the arrows go to the right is a valid solution

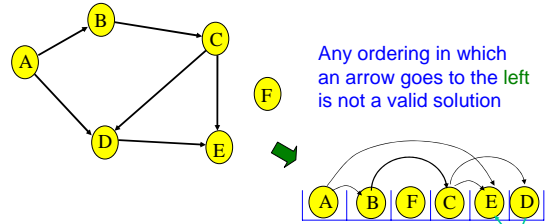
Note that F can go anywhere in this list because it is not connected. Also the solution is not unique.

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## Topo sort - bad example



Any ordering in which an arrow goes to the left is not a valid solution

NO!

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## Paths and Cycles

- Given a digraph  $G = (V, E)$ , a **path** is a sequence of vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  such that:
  - $(v_i, v_{i+1}) \in E$  for  $1 \leq i < k$
  - path **length** = number of edges in the path
  - path **cost** = sum of costs of each edge
- A path is a **cycle** if :
  - $k > 1$ ;  $v_1 = v_k$
- $G$  is **acyclic** if it has no cycles.

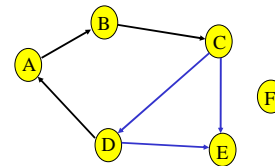
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## Only acyclic graphs can be topologically sorted

- A directed graph with a cycle cannot be topologically sorted.



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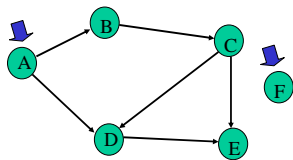
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## Topological sort algorithm: 1

**Step 1:** Identify vertices that have no incoming edges

- The "in-degree" of these vertices is zero



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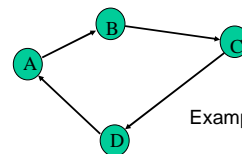
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## Topo sort algorithm: 1a

**Step 1:** Identify vertices that have no incoming edges

- If **no such vertices**, graph has only **cycle(s)** (cyclic graph)
- Topological sort not possible – Halt.



Example of a cyclic graph

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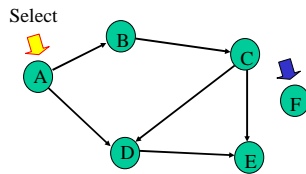
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## Topo sort algorithm: 1b

**Step 1:** Identify vertices that have no incoming edges

- Select one such vertex



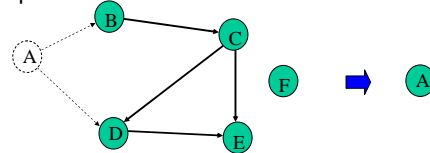
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## Topo sort algorithm: 2

**Step 2:** Delete this vertex of in-degree 0 and all its outgoing edges from the graph. Place it in the output.



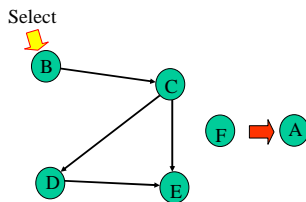
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## Continue until done

Repeat **Step 1** and **Step 2** until graph is empty



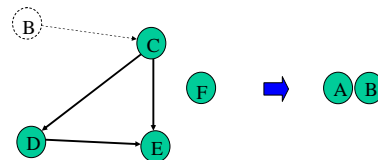
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## B

Select B. Copy to sorted list. Delete B and its edges.



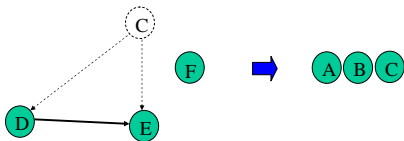
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## C

Select C. Copy to sorted list. Delete C and its edges.



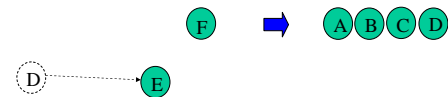
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## D

Select D. Copy to sorted list. Delete D and its edges.



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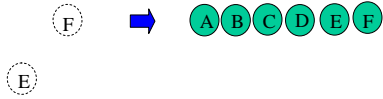
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## E, F

Select E. Copy to sorted list. Delete E and its edges.  
 Select F. Copy to sorted list. Delete F and its edges.

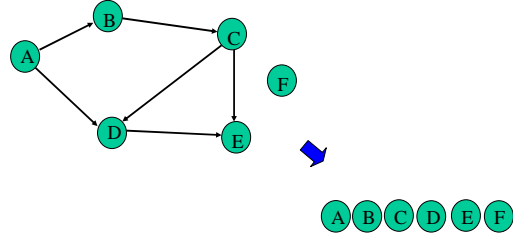


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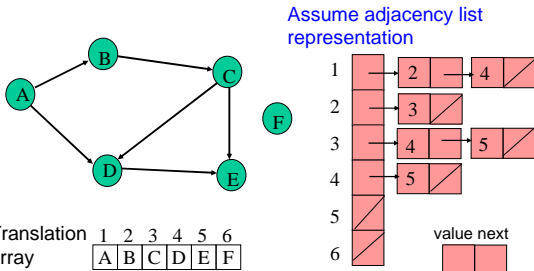


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## Implementation

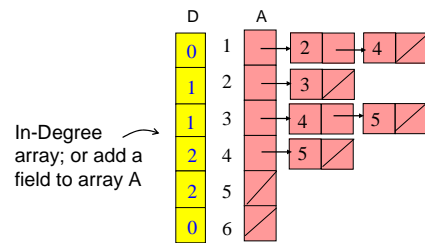


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## Calculate In-degrees



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## Calculate In-degrees

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for i = 1 to n do D[i] := 0; endfor
for i = 1 to n do
  x := A[i];
  while x ≠ null do
    D[x.value] := D[x.value] + 1;
    x := x.next;
  endwhile
endfor
    
```

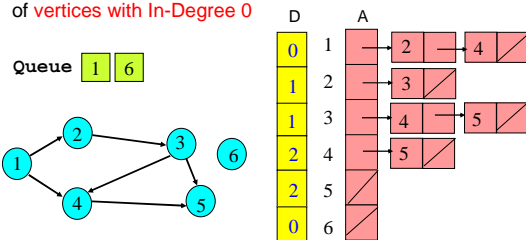
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## Maintaining Degree 0 Vertices

**Key idea:** Initialize and maintain a *queue* (or *stack*) of vertices with In-Degree 0



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## Topo Sort using a Queue (breadth-first)

After each vertex is output, when updating In-Degree array, enqueue any vertex whose In-Degree becomes zero

Queue: 6, 2  
dequeue ↓  
enqueue ↑  
Output: 1

D: [0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 0]  
A: {1: [2, 4], 2: [3], 3: [5], 4: [5]}

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## Topo Sort using a Stack (depth-first)

After each vertex is output, when updating In-Degree array, push any vertex whose In-Degree becomes zero

Stack: 2, 6  
pop ↓  
push ↑  
Output: 1

D: [0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 0]  
A: {1: [2, 4], 2: [3], 3: [5], 4: [5]}

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## Topological Sort Algorithm

1. Store each vertex's In-Degree in an array D
2. Initialize queue with all "in-degree=0" vertices
3. While there are vertices remaining in the queue:
  - (a) Dequeue and output a vertex
  - (b) Reduce In-Degree of all vertices adjacent to it by 1
  - (c) Enqueue any of these vertices whose In-Degree became zero
4. If all vertices are output then success, otherwise there is a cycle.

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## Some Detail

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Main Loop
while notEmpty(Q) do
  x := Dequeue(Q)
  Output(x)
  y := A[x];
  while y ≠ null do
    D[y.value] := D[y.value] - 1;
    if D[y.value] = 0 then Enqueue(Q,y.value);
    y := y.next;
  endwhile
endwhile
  
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## Topo Sort w/ queue

Queue (before):  
Queue (after): 1, 6

Answer: 1

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## Topo Sort w/ queue

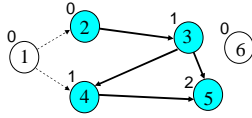
Queue (before): 1, 6  
Queue (after): 6, 2

Answer: 1

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## Topo Sort w/ queue

Queue (before): 6, 2  
Queue (after): 2



Answer: 1, 6

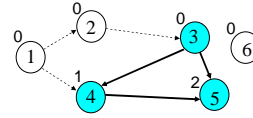
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## Topo Sort w/ queue

Queue (before): 2  
Queue (after): 3



Answer: 1, 6, 2

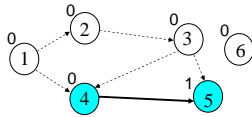
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## Topo Sort w/ queue

Queue (before): 3  
Queue (after): 4



Answer: 1, 6, 2, 3

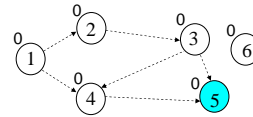
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## Topo Sort w/ queue

Queue (before): 4  
Queue (after): 5



Answer: 1, 6, 2, 3, 4

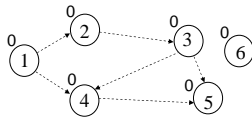
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## Topo Sort w/ queue

Queue (before): 5  
Queue (after):



Answer: 1, 6, 2, 3, 4, 5

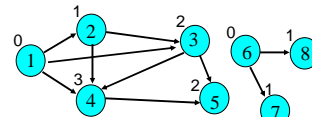
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## Topo Sort w/ stack

Stack (before):  
Stack (after): 1, 6



Answer:

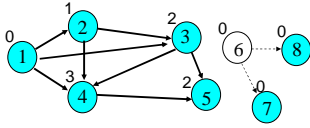
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## Topo Sort w/ stack

Stack (before): 1, 6  
Stack (after): 1, 7, 8



Answer: 6

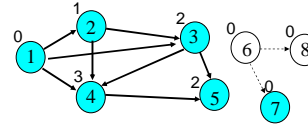
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## Topo Sort w/ stack

Stack (before): 1, 7, 8  
Stack (after): 1, 7



Answer: 6, 8

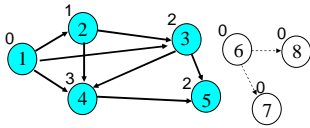
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## Topo Sort w/ stack

Stack (before): 1, 7  
Stack (after): 1



Answer: 6, 8, 7

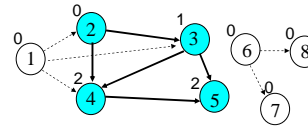
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## Topo Sort w/ stack

Stack (before): 1  
Stack (after): 2



Answer: 6, 8, 7, 1

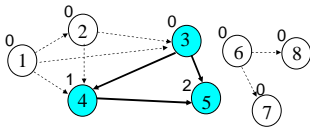
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## Topo Sort w/ stack

Stack (before): 2  
Stack (after): 3



Answer: 6, 8, 7, 1, 2

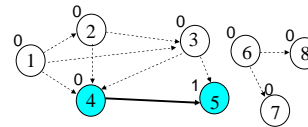
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## Topo Sort w/ stack

Stack (before): 3  
Stack (after): 4



Answer: 6, 8, 7, 1, 2, 3

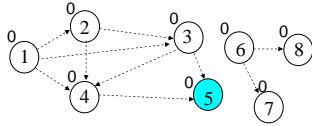
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## Topo Sort w/ stack

Stack (before): 4  
Stack (after): 5



Answer: 6, 8, 7, 1, 2, 3, 4

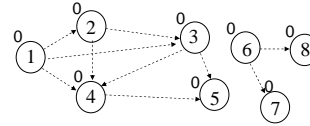
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## Topo Sort w/ stack

Stack (before): 5  
Stack (after):



Answer: 6, 8, 7, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

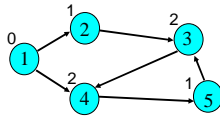
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## TopoSort Fails (cycle)

Queue (before):  
Queue (after): 1



Answer:

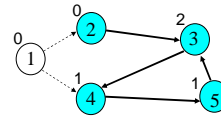
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## TopoSort Fails (cycle)

Queue (before): 1  
Queue (after): 2



Answer: 1

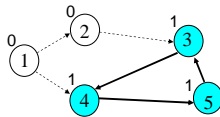
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## TopoSort Fails (cycle)

Queue (before): 2  
Queue (after):



Answer: 1, 2

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## Topological Sort Analysis

- Initialize In-Degree array:  $O(|V| + |E|)$
- Initialize Queue with In-Degree 0 vertices:  $O(|V|)$
- Dequeue and output vertex:
  - ›  $|V|$  vertices, each takes only  $O(1)$  to dequeue and output:  $O(|V|)$
- Reduce In-Degree of all vertices adjacent to a vertex and Enqueue any In-Degree 0 vertices:
  - ›  $O(|E|)$
- For input graph  $G=(V,E)$  run time =  $O(|V| + |E|)$ 
  - › Linear time!

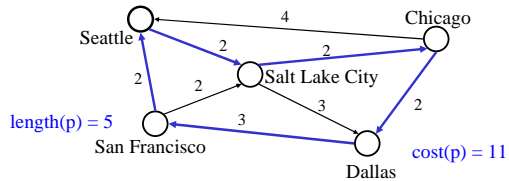
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## Recall Path cost , Path length

- **Path cost:** the sum of the costs of each edge
- **Path length:** the number of edges in the path
  - › Path length is the unweighted path cost



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## Shortest Path Problems

- Given a graph  $G = (V, E)$  and a “source” vertex  $s$  in  $V$ , find the **minimum cost paths** from  $s$  to every vertex in  $V$
- **Many variations:**
  - › unweighted vs. weighted
  - › cyclic vs. acyclic
  - › pos. weights only vs. pos. and neg. weights
  - › etc

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## Why study shortest path problems?

- **Traveling on a budget:** What is the cheapest airline schedule from Seattle to city  $X$ ?
- **Optimizing routing of packets on the internet:**
  - › Vertices are routers and edges are network links with different delays. What is the routing path with smallest total delay?
- **Shipping:** Find which highways and roads to take to minimize total delay due to traffic
- etc.

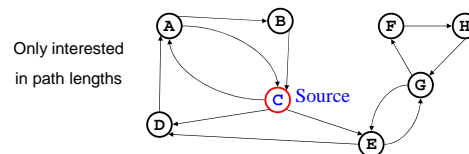
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## Unweighted Shortest Path

**Problem:** Given a “source” vertex  $s$  in an unweighted directed graph  $G = (V, E)$ , find the shortest path from  $s$  to all vertices in  $G$



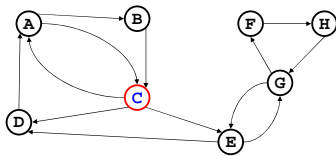
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## Breadth-First Search Solution

- **Basic Idea:** Starting at node  $s$ , find vertices that can be reached using 0, 1, 2, 3, ...,  $N-1$  edges (works even for cyclic graphs!)



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## Breadth-First Search Alg.

- Uses a queue to track vertices that are “nearby”
- source vertex is  $s$ 

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Distance[s] := 0
Enqueue(Q,s); Mark(s)//After a vertex is marked once
// it won't be enqueued again

while queue is not empty do
  X := Dequeue(Q);
  for each vertex Y adjacent to X do
    if Y is unmarked then
      Distance[Y] := Distance[X] + 1;
      Previous[Y] := X;//if we want to record paths
      Enqueue(Q,Y); Mark(Y);

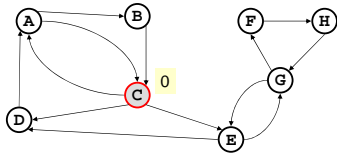
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- Running time =  $O(|V| + |E|)$

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## Example: Shortest Path length



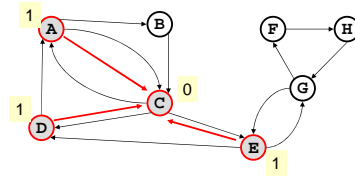
Queue Q = C

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## Example (ct'd)



Queue Q = A D E

Indicates the vertex is marked

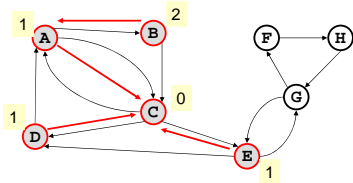
Previous pointer

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## Example (ct'd)



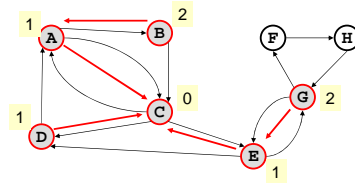
Q = D E B

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## Example (ct'd)



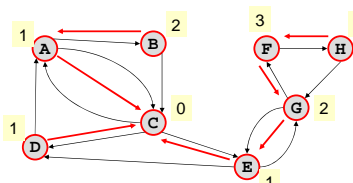
Q = B G

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## Example (ct'd)



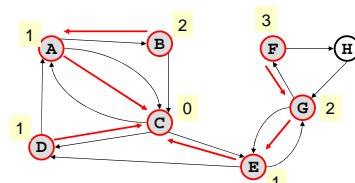
Q = F

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## Example (ct'd)



Q = H

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## What if edges have weights?

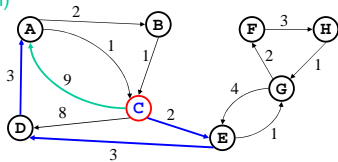
- Breadth First Search does not work anymore
  - › minimum *cost* path may have more edges than minimum *length* path

Shortest path (length)  
from C to A:

C → A (cost = 9)

Minimum Cost

Path = C → E → D → A  
(cost = 8)



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## Dijkstra's Algorithm for Weighted Shortest Path

- Classic algorithm for solving shortest path in weighted graphs (without negative weights)
- A greedy algorithm (irrevocably makes decisions without considering future consequences)
- Each vertex has a cost for path from initial vertex

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## Basic Idea of Dijkstra's Algorithm

- Find the vertex with smallest cost that has not been "marked" yet.
- Mark it and compute the cost of its neighbors.
- Do this until all vertices are marked.
- Note that each step of the algorithm we are marking one vertex and we won't change our decision: hence the term "greedy" algorithm

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