

Basic Graph Algorithms

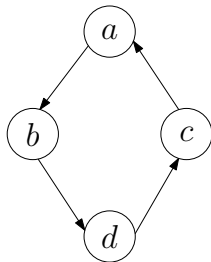
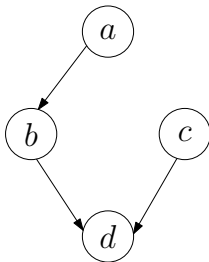
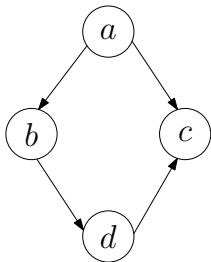
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- DAG, Topological Sorting
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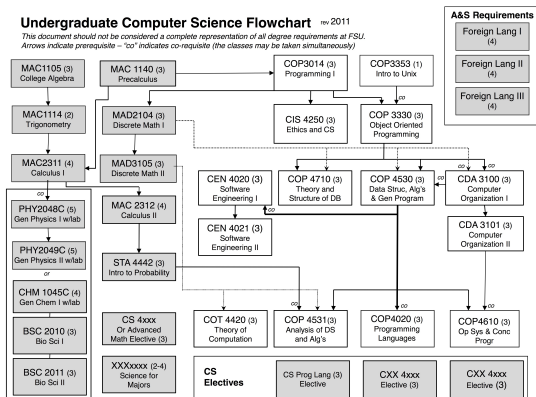
Which ones of the following are DAGs?



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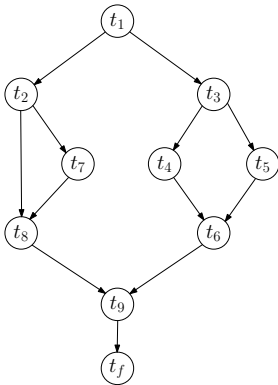
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- Model dependency constraints (e.g. package dependencies)



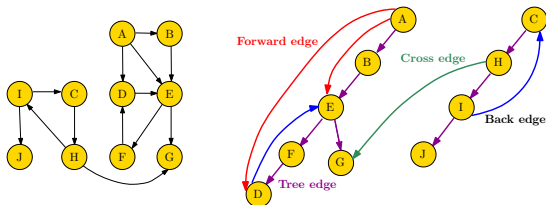
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- Clearly precedence or dependency graphs cannot have directed cycles
- Could have undirected cycles

DFS Forest: Types of Edges

Overlay all edges of a digraph G onto its DFS forest



- **Tree edge** - Edge used in the DFS (parent to child)
- **Back edge** - Edge from a node to a non-parent ancestor
- **Forward edge** - Edge from a node to a non-child descendant
- **Cross edge** - Edge from a node in one tree to a node in another

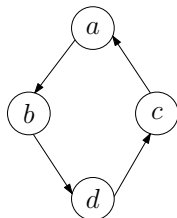
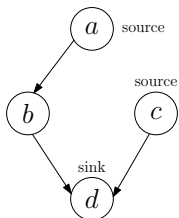
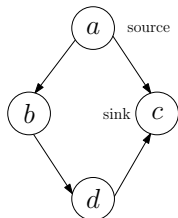
Lemma: A digraph G has a directed cycle if and only if the DFS forest of G has a back edge

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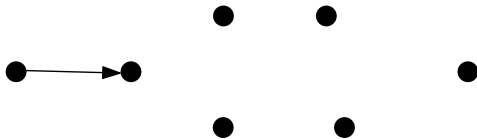
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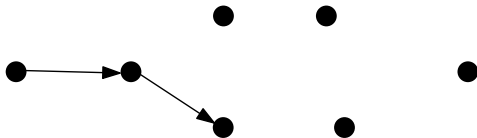
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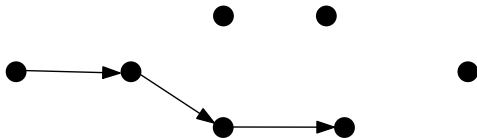
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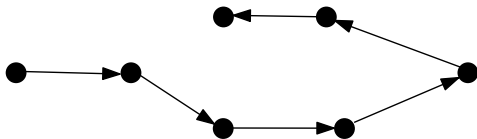
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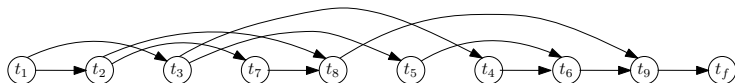
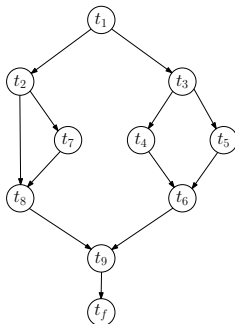
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cannot get stuck unless a cycle exists

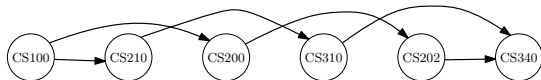
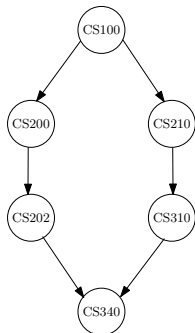
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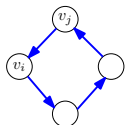
Topological order needs not to be unique

Topological Order

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If G has a topological ordering, then G is a DAG

- Suppose G has a topological order and G has a cycle C
- Let v_i be the **first vertex** on C in topological order
- Let v_j be the vertex **just before v_i in C**
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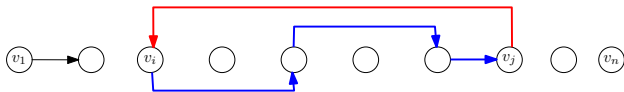
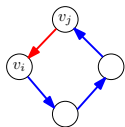


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Constructive Proof: Repeatedly add a **source** in the remaining DAG to list

Algorithm Topological Sorting of a DAG

```
while  $V \neq \emptyset$  do
   $v \leftarrow \text{FINDSOURCE}(V, E)$ 
  PRINT  $v$ 
   $V \leftarrow V \setminus \{v\}$ 
   $E \leftarrow E \setminus \{(v, u) \mid u \in V\}$ 
```

- In-degrees array can be computed in $O(m)$ time
- FINDSOURCE will take $O(n)$ time (search for 0 degree vertex)
- Total runtime of deleting edges is $O(m)$
- Total runtime is $O(nm)$ ▷ Can be improved a lot

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IN-DEG[1... n] \leftarrow IN-DEGREES(G, V)

$v \leftarrow$ INDEX-OF-MIN(IN-DEG)

ENQUEUE(Q, v)

while $V \neq \emptyset$ **do**

$v \leftarrow$ DEQUEUE(Q)

 PRINT v

for $u \in N(v)$ **do**

 IN-DEG[u] \leftarrow IN-DEG[u] - 1

if IN-DEG[u] = 0 **then**

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▷ A source must exist if G is DAG

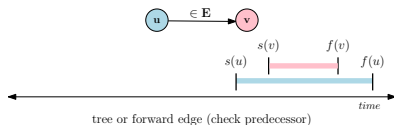
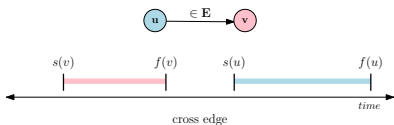
▷ Q is a queue of sources

▷ Check if u became a source

Runtime is $O(n + m)$

Topological Order via DFS

Lemma: If (u, v) is an edge in a DAG, then $f(u) > f(v)$



- Check both cases whether DFS first visit u or v
- In either case $f(u) > f(v)$

Corollary: Largest finishing time is for a source

Yields a DFS based algorithm for topological sorting

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write vertices in decreasing order of $f(v)$

