

Searching & Sorting Graphs

Today: directed graphs

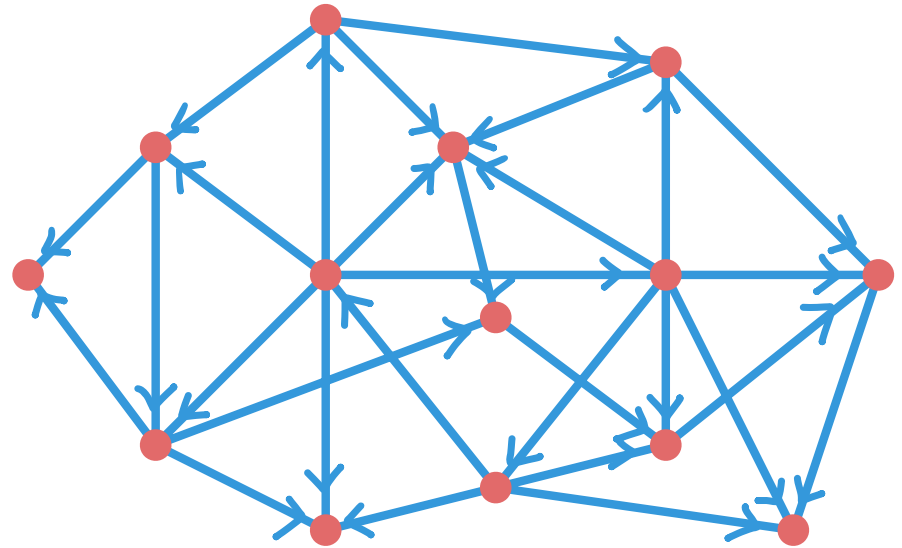
acyclic graphs,

topological sort,

cycles, reachability,

depth-first search,

strongly connected components



(which give a lot of structure to a very simple and broadly applicable model)

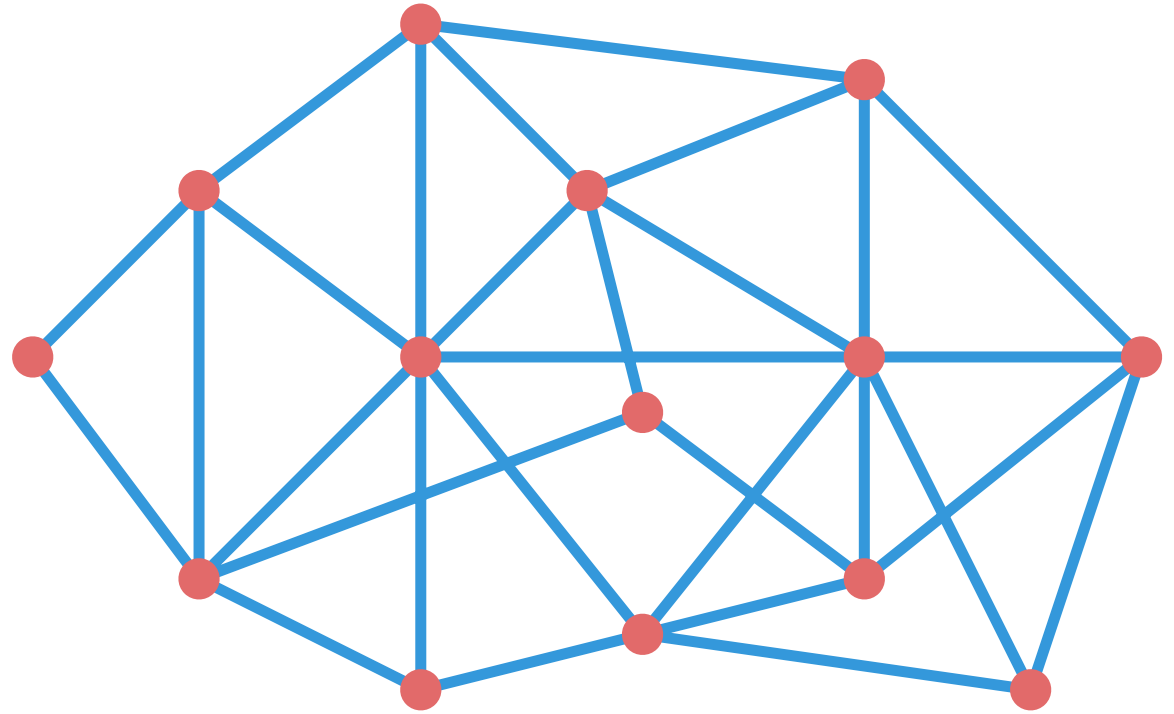
Graphs

$$G=(V, E)$$

$$n=|V|, m=|E|$$

vertices •

edges —————

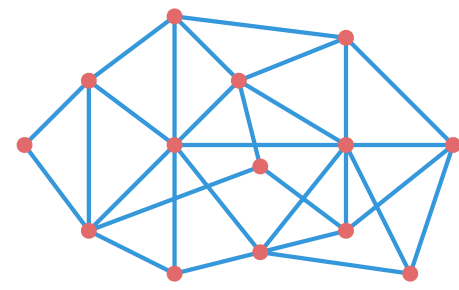


undirected
edge
between u and v



directed
edge
from u to v

Representing graphs



① "Adjacency list"

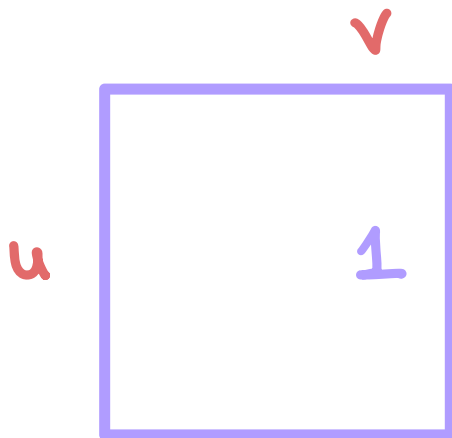
for $v \in V$, list all (incoming, outgoing) edges of v

e.g. $v.out = [a, b, c, \dots]$, $v.in = [d, e, f, \dots]$

② "Adjacency matrix"

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{V \times V}$ w/ $A(u, v) = \text{weight of edge from } u \text{ to } v$

(=0 if no edge)



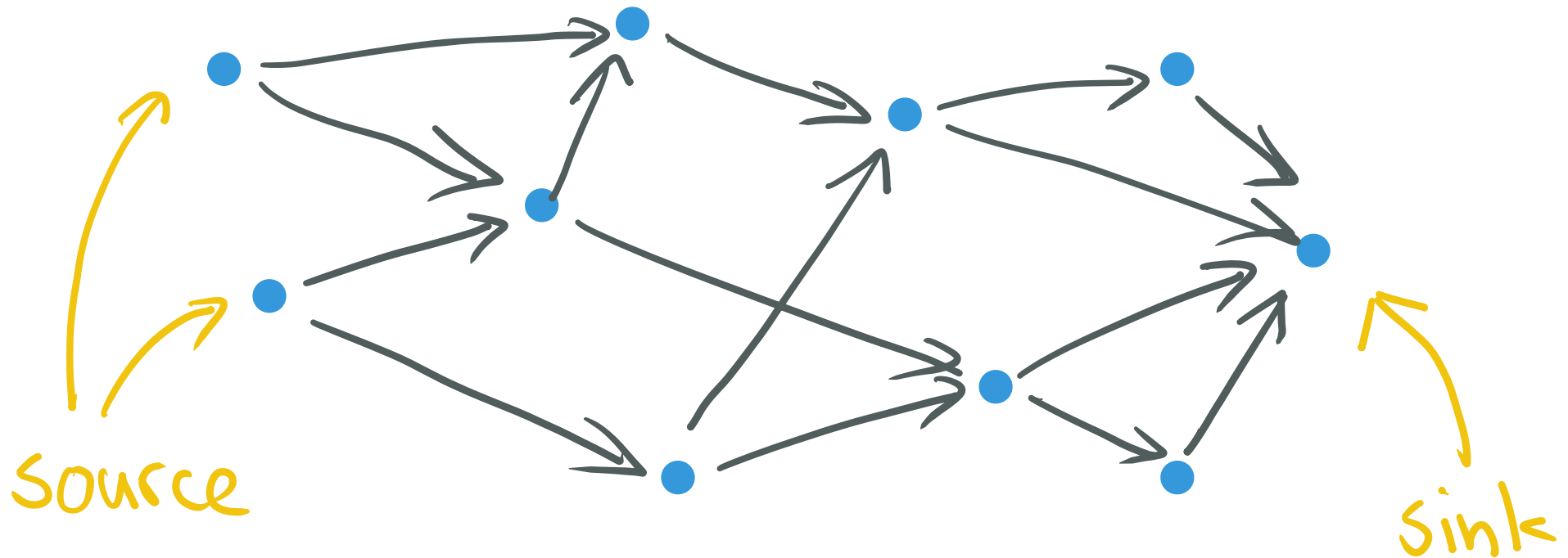
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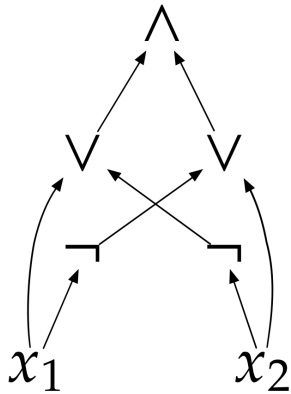
Directed Acyclic Graphs (DAG's)

(no cycles)

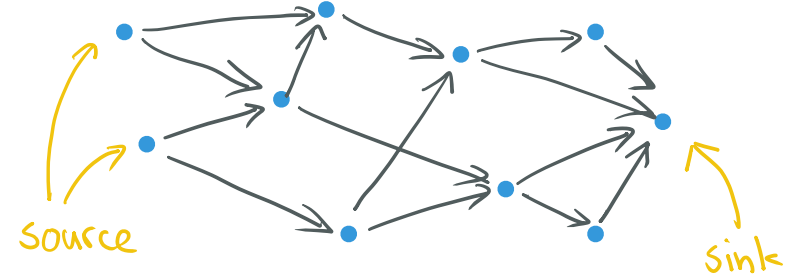


e.g. circuits

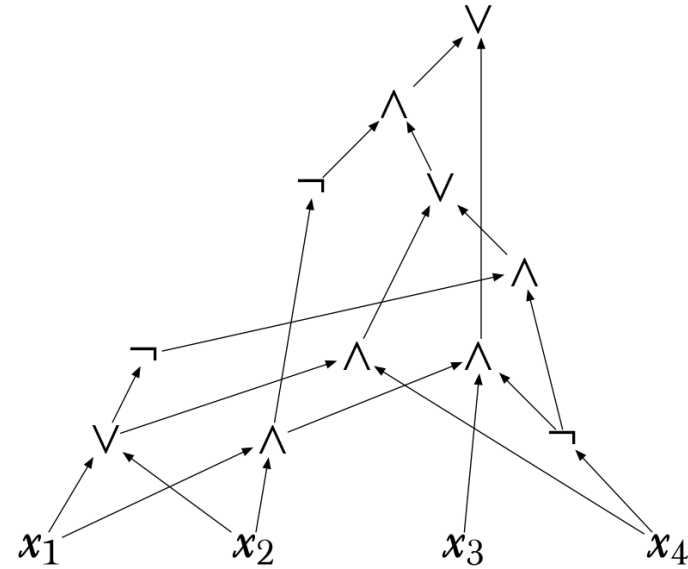
XOR ("exclusive-or")
(TRUE iff $x_1 \neq x_2$)



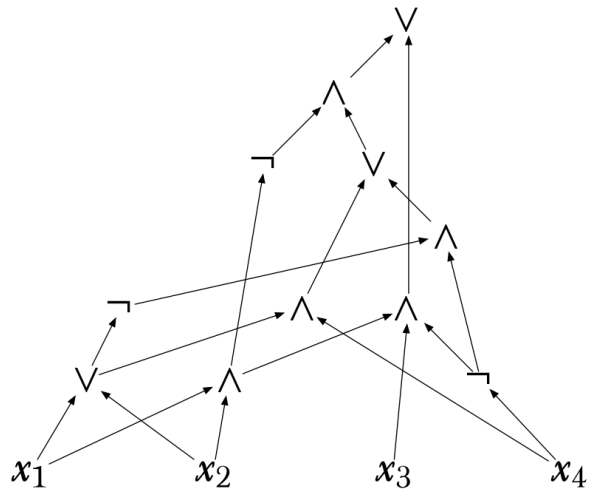
$$f(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 \wedge \bar{x}_2) \vee (\bar{x}_1 \wedge x_2)$$



Addition



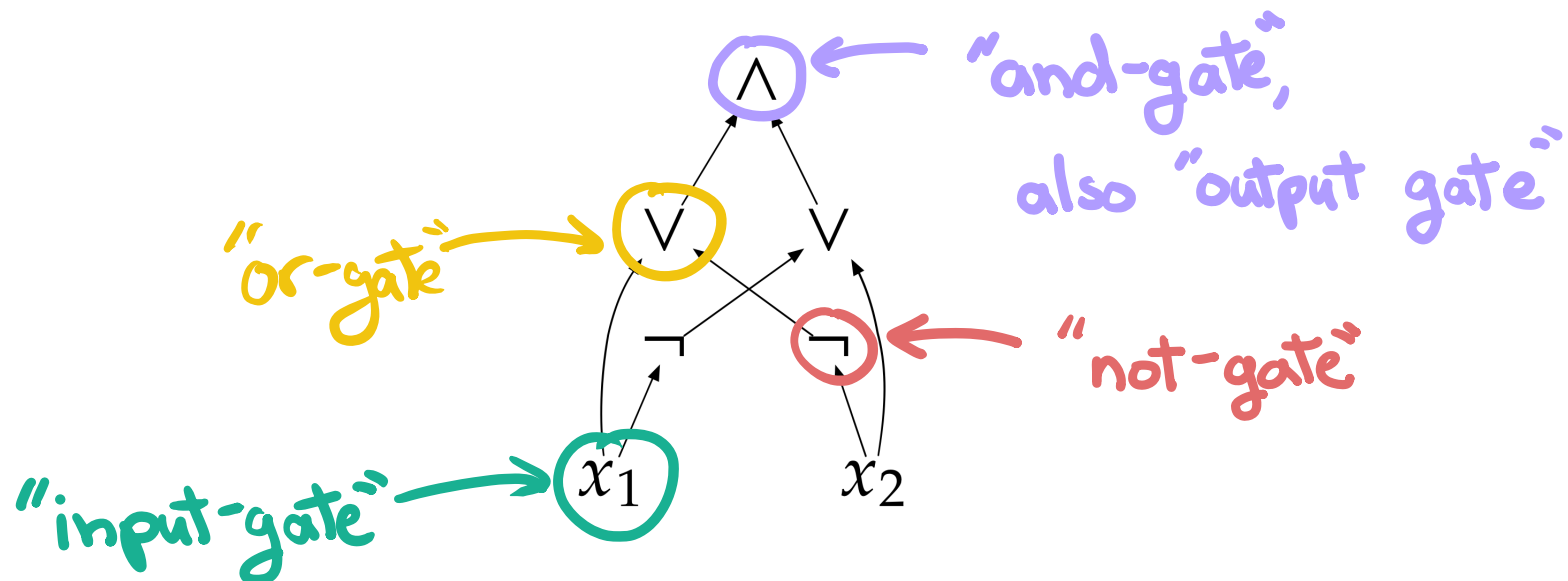
$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_1 + x_2 = x_3 x_4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



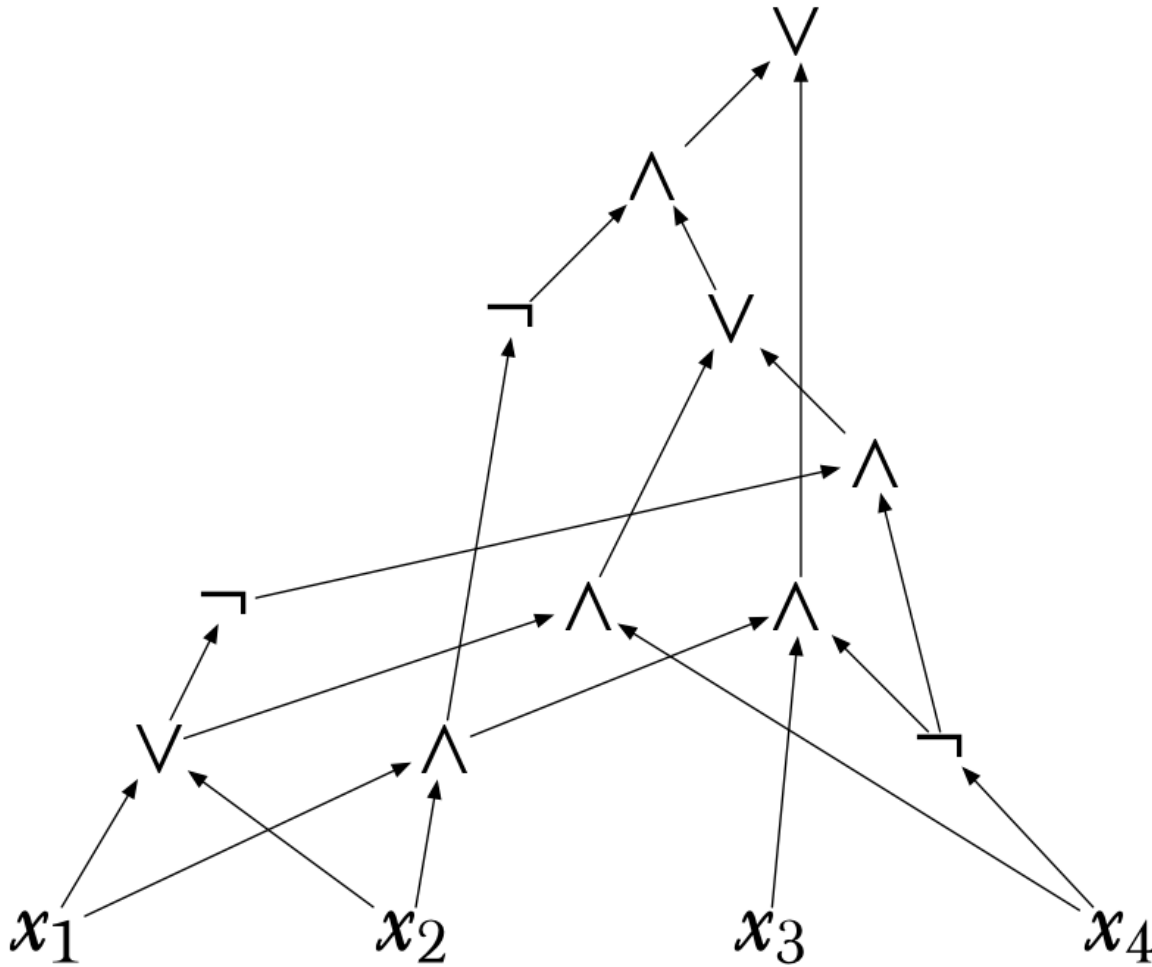
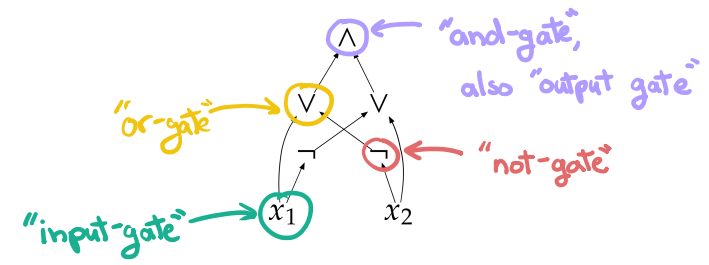
(definition)

logical gates arranged as vertices
in a directed acyclic graph

"gates": take some inputs bits, output 1 bit



How to evaluate a circuit?



(conceptually)

"bottom up,"
one at a time

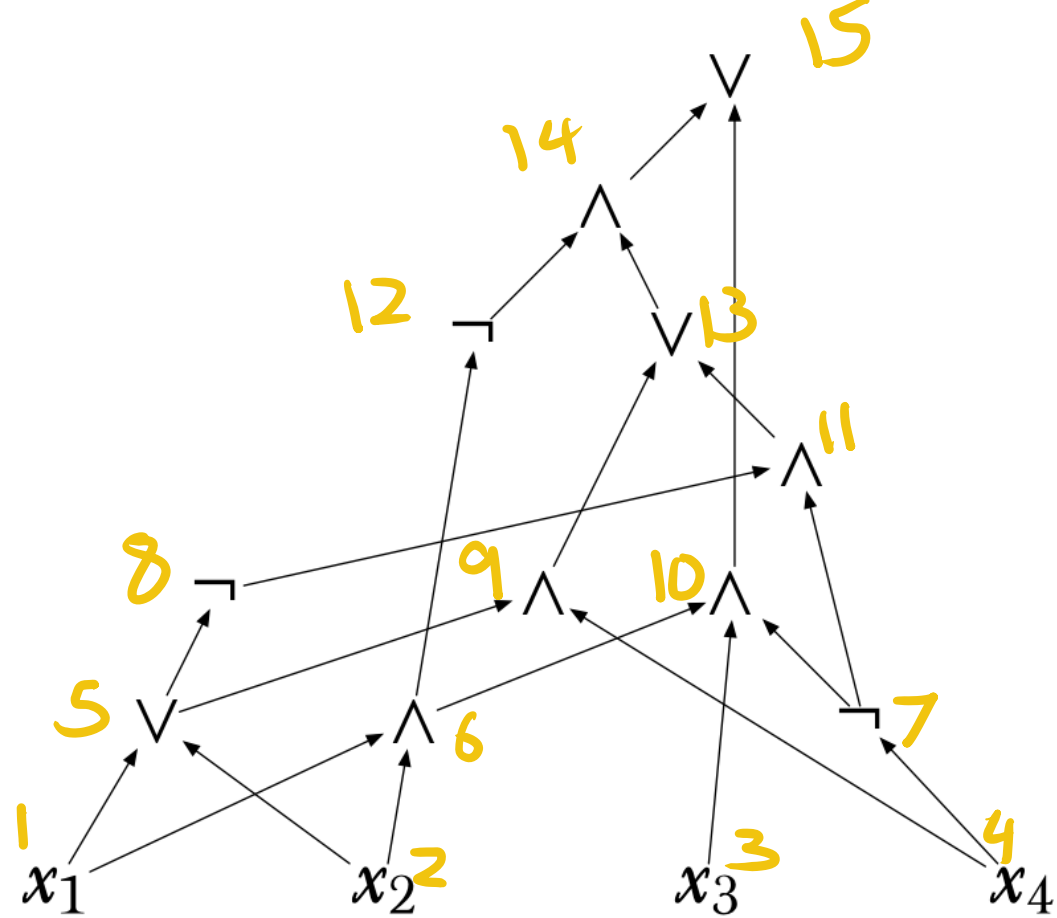
Topological order

think of arcs as " $\leq$ "

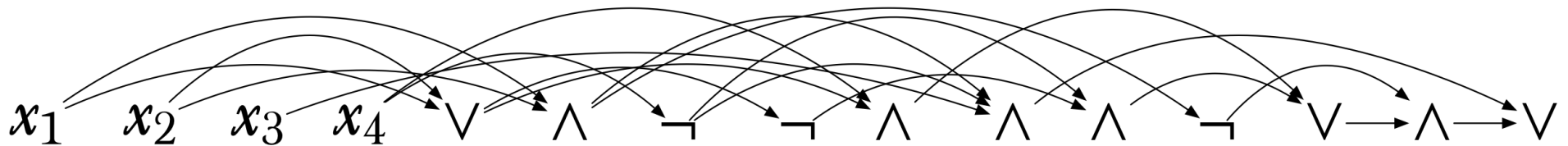
(directed edge)



this defines a
partial order on V



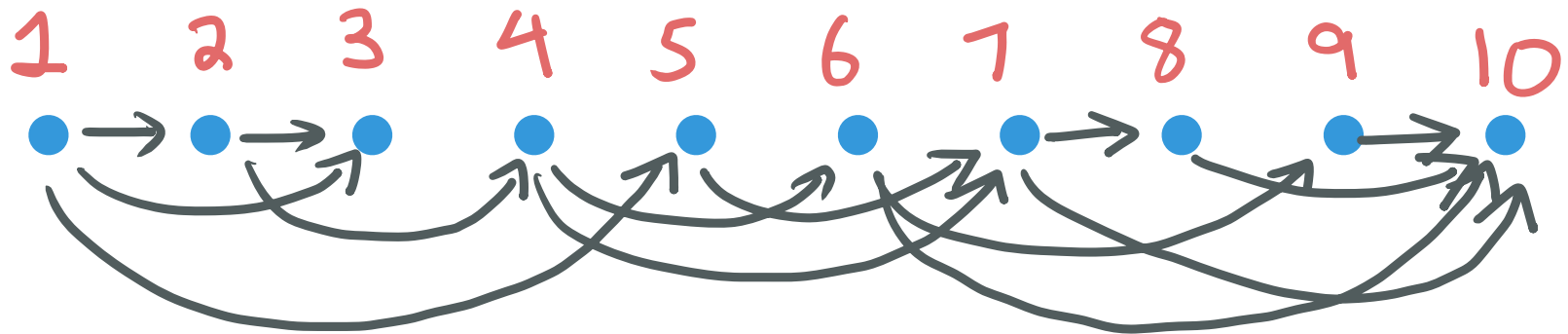
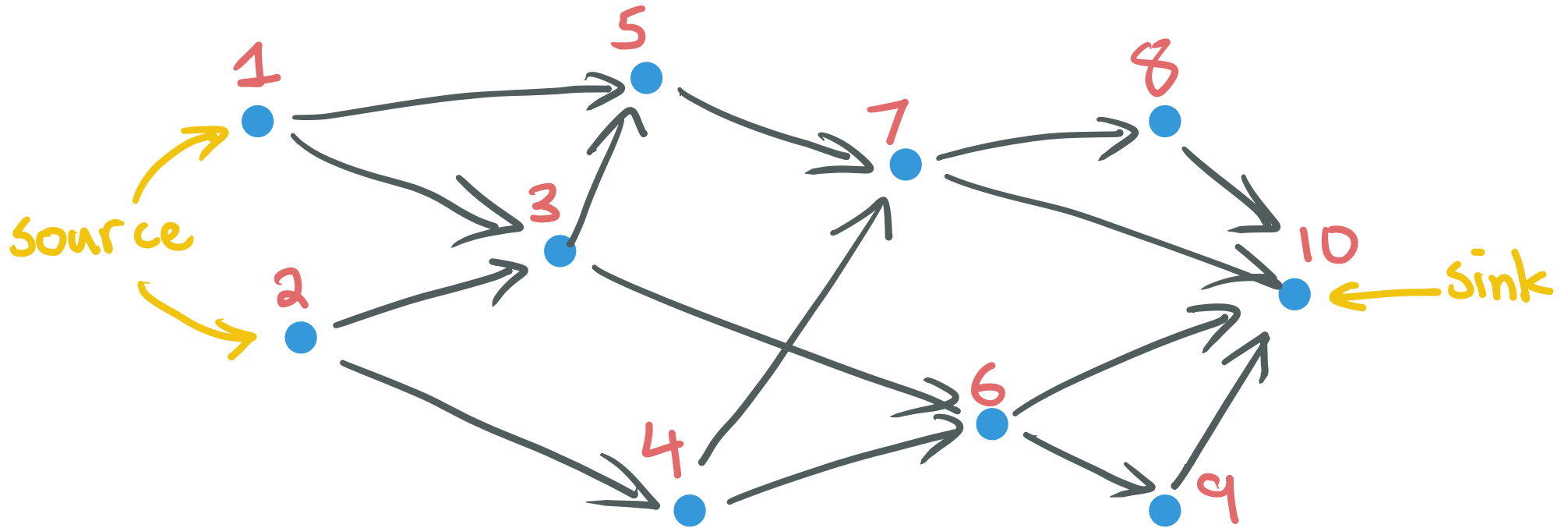
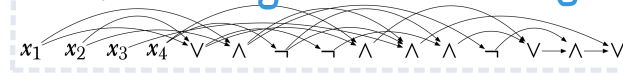
Topological ordering (of V):
any ordering consistent w/ edges



to evaluate, process gates from left to right!

How to topologically sort:
repeatedly remove sources

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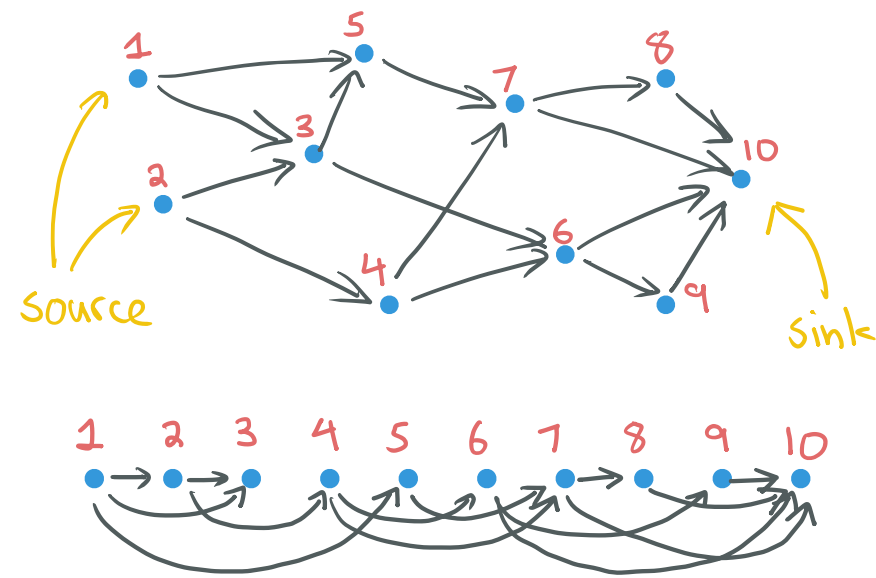


source-peeling($G = (V, E)$)

/ We assume G is a DAG.*

1. While there is a source $v \in V$
 - A. Append v to the output list.
 - B. Remove v and all incident edges from G .

↑ easy to make linear time by keeping track of in-degrees

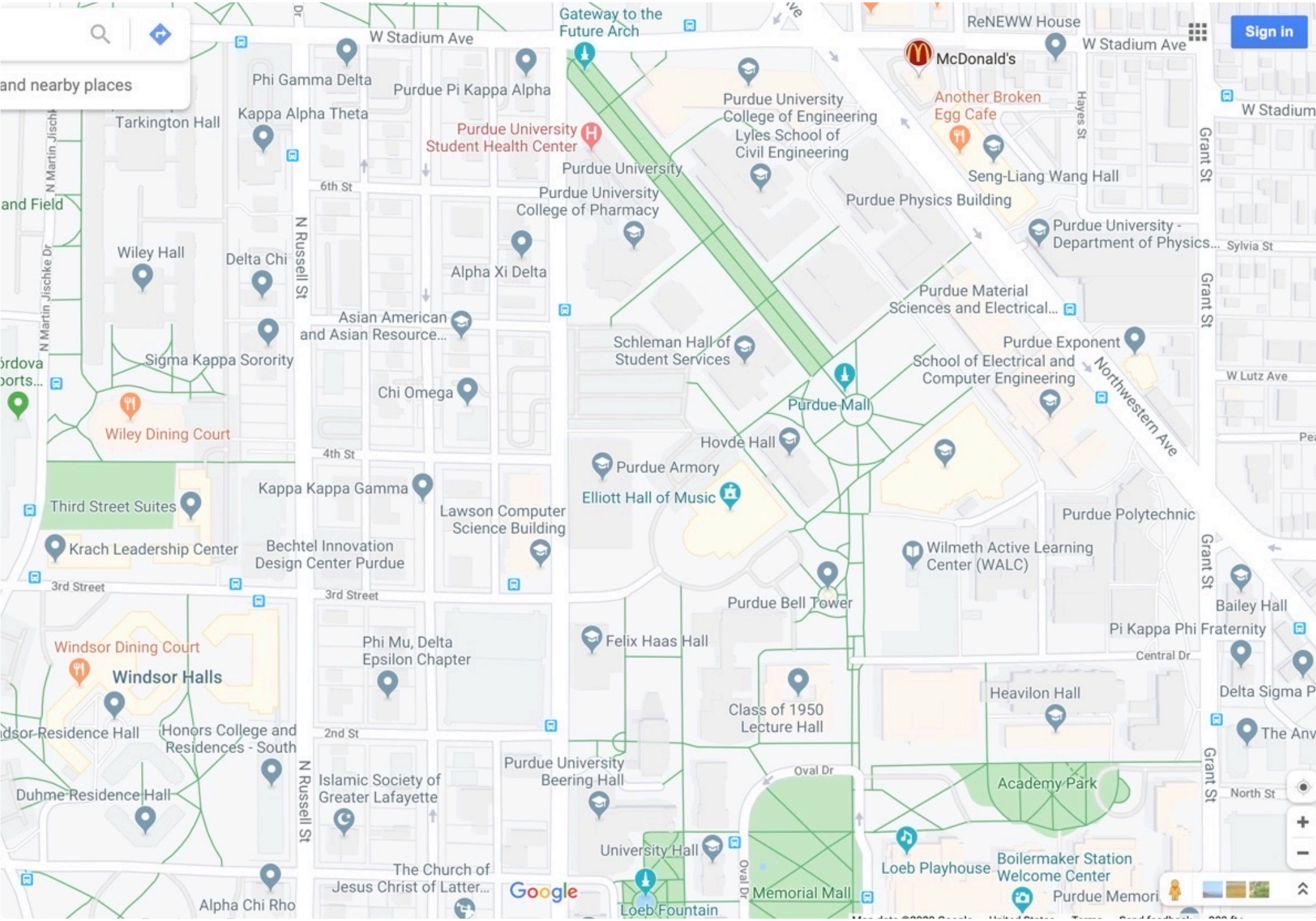


Theorem 6.1. *Given a DAG G with m edges and n vertices, one can compute a topological ordering of V in $O(m + n)$ time.*

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and nearby places

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CAT MAZE

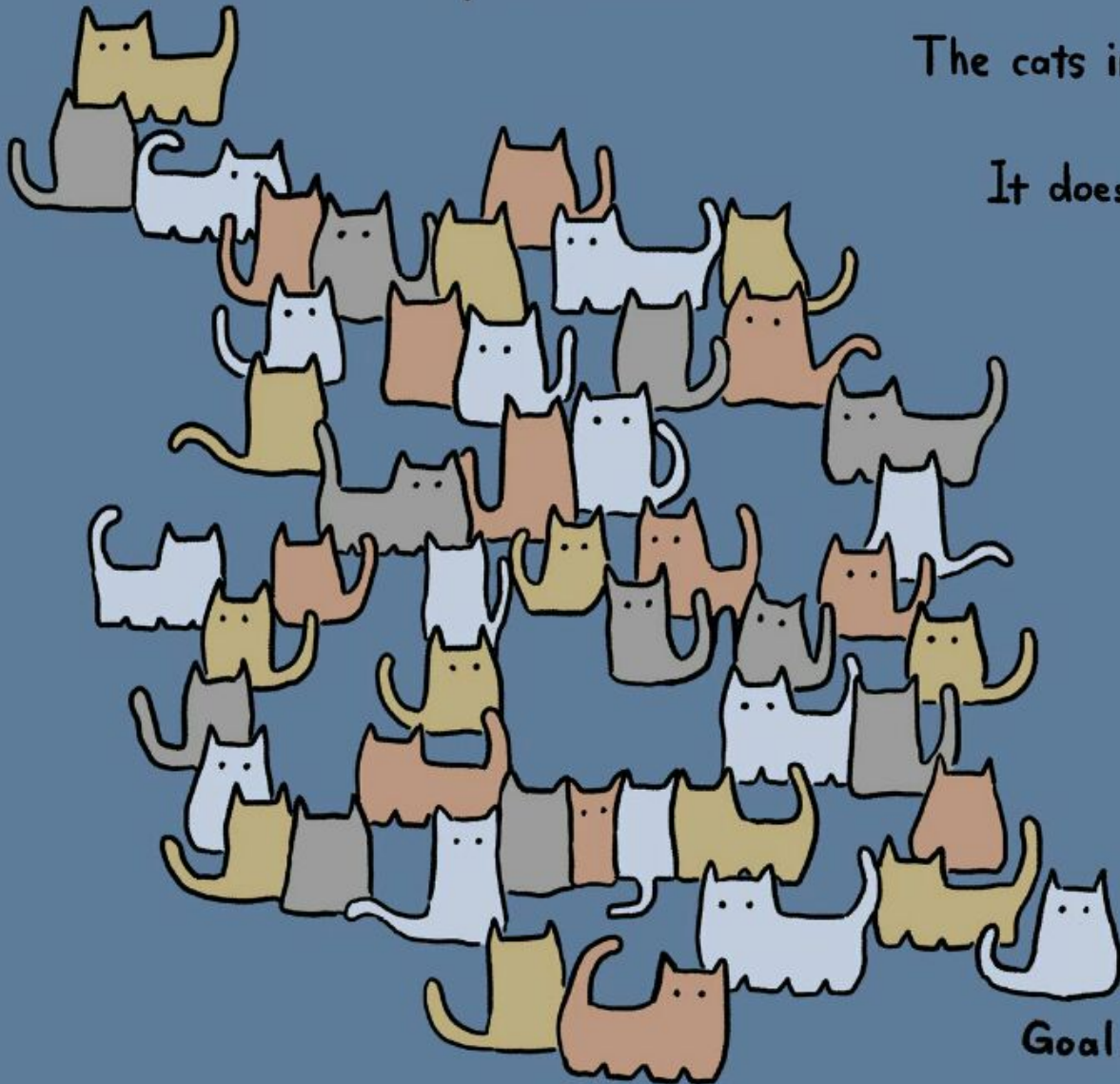
by Tatsunami

Reach the Goal by following the cats, alternating between cats facing the front and cats facing backwards.

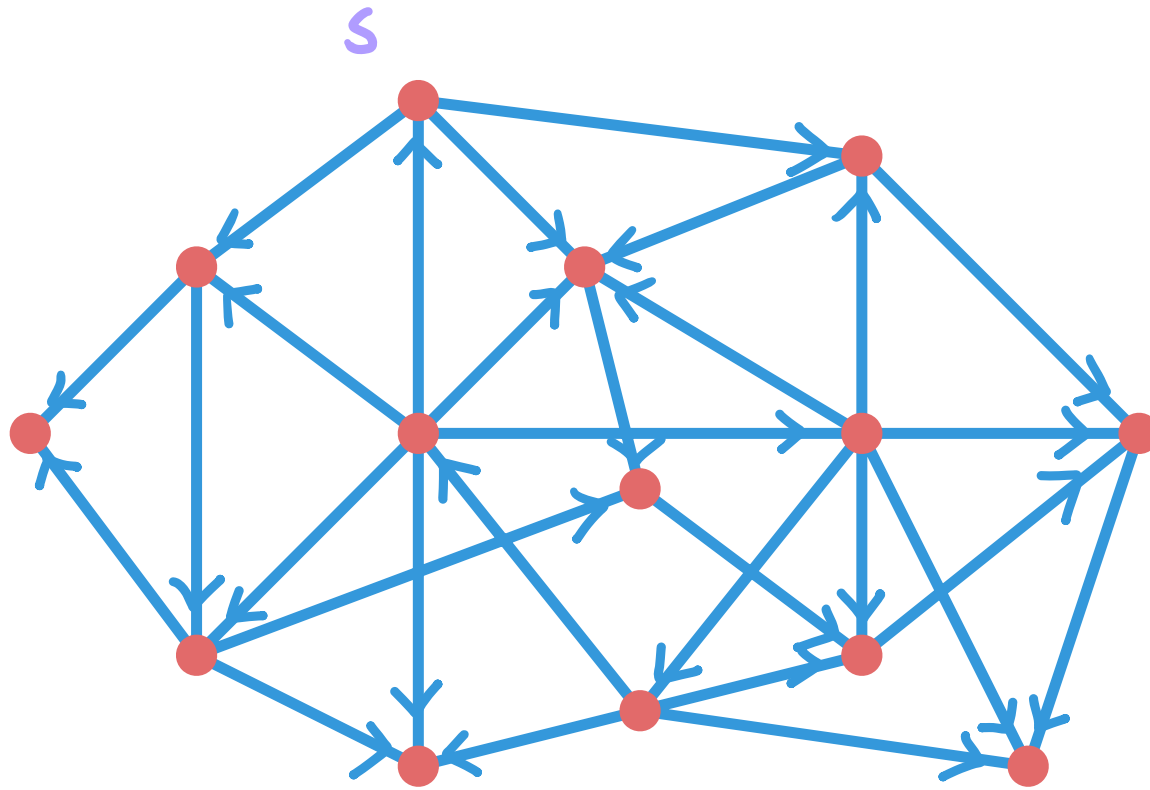
The cats in your path must be connected or overlapping.

It doesn't matter what color or size they are.

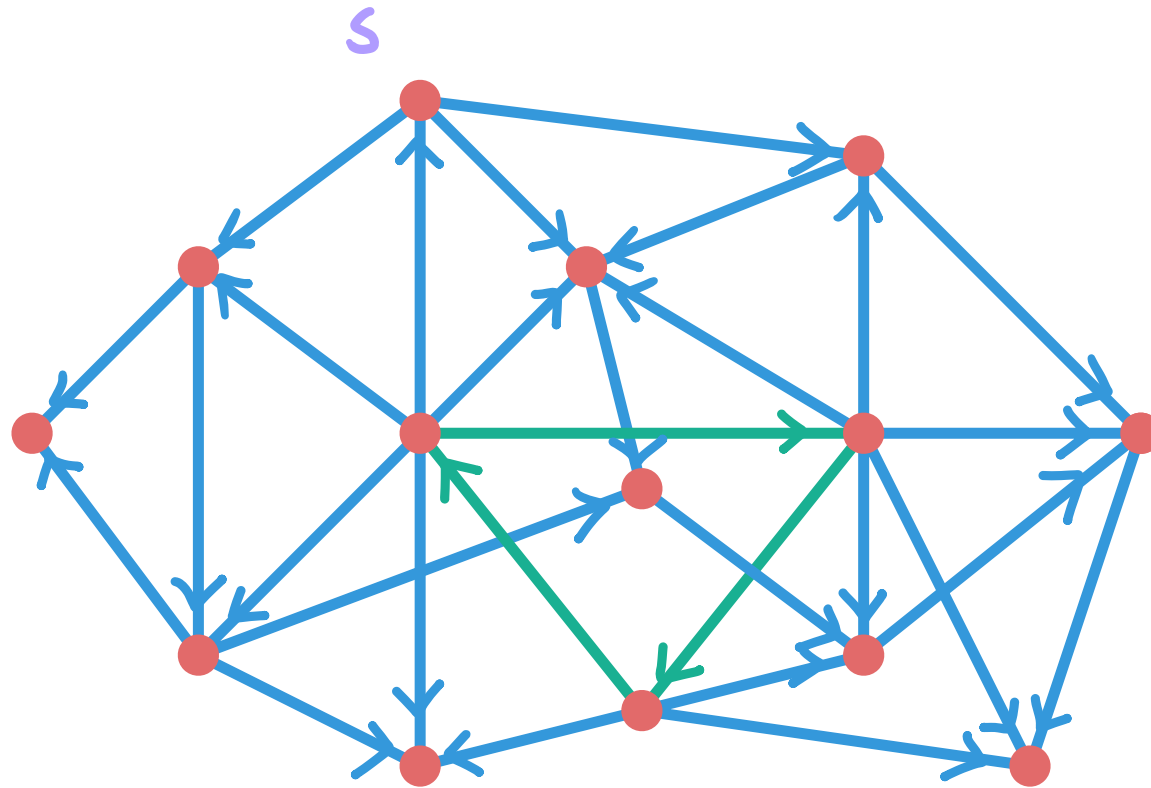
Start



Goal

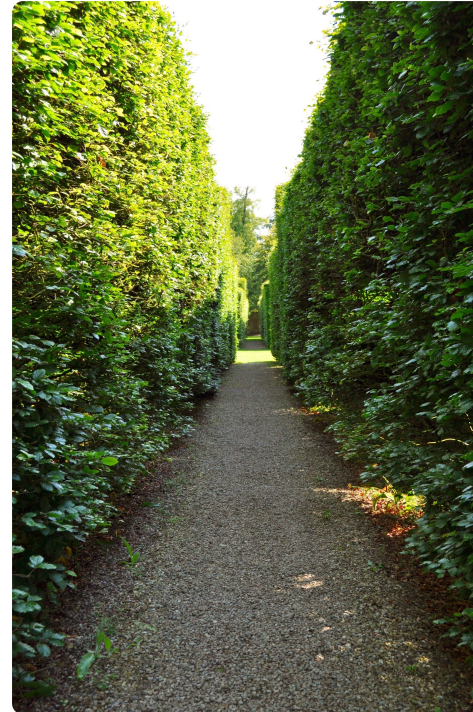
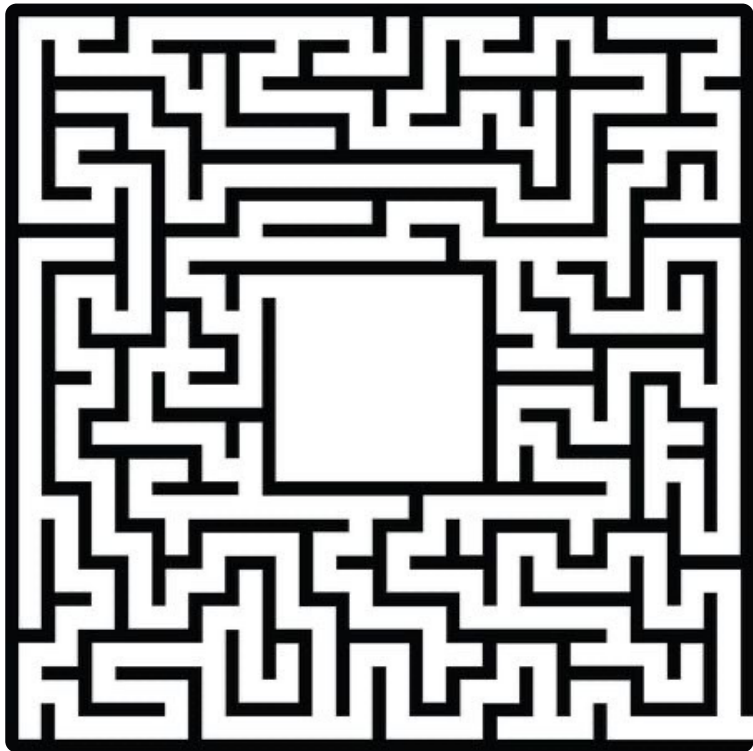
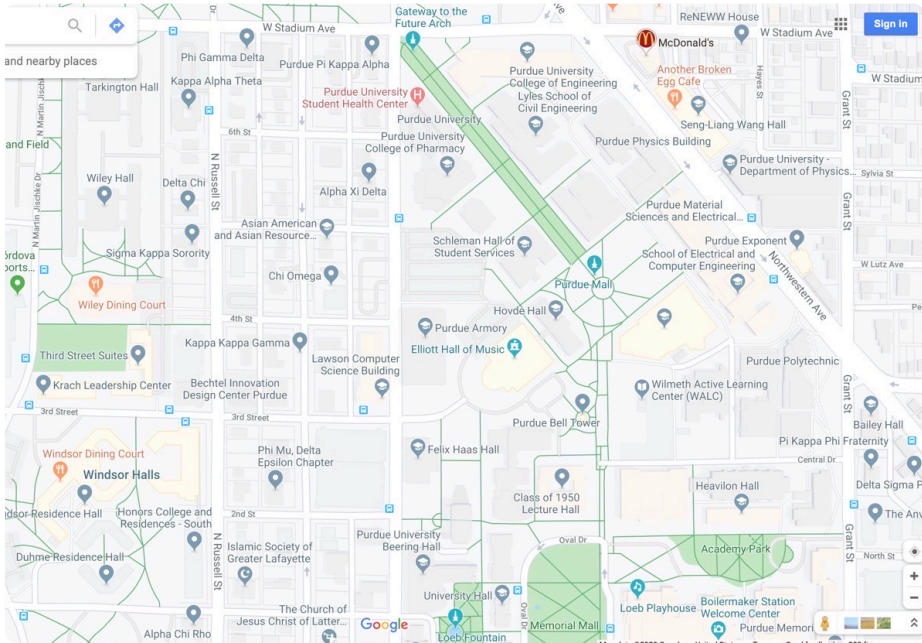


can s reach all the vertices?



can s reach all the vertices? (no)

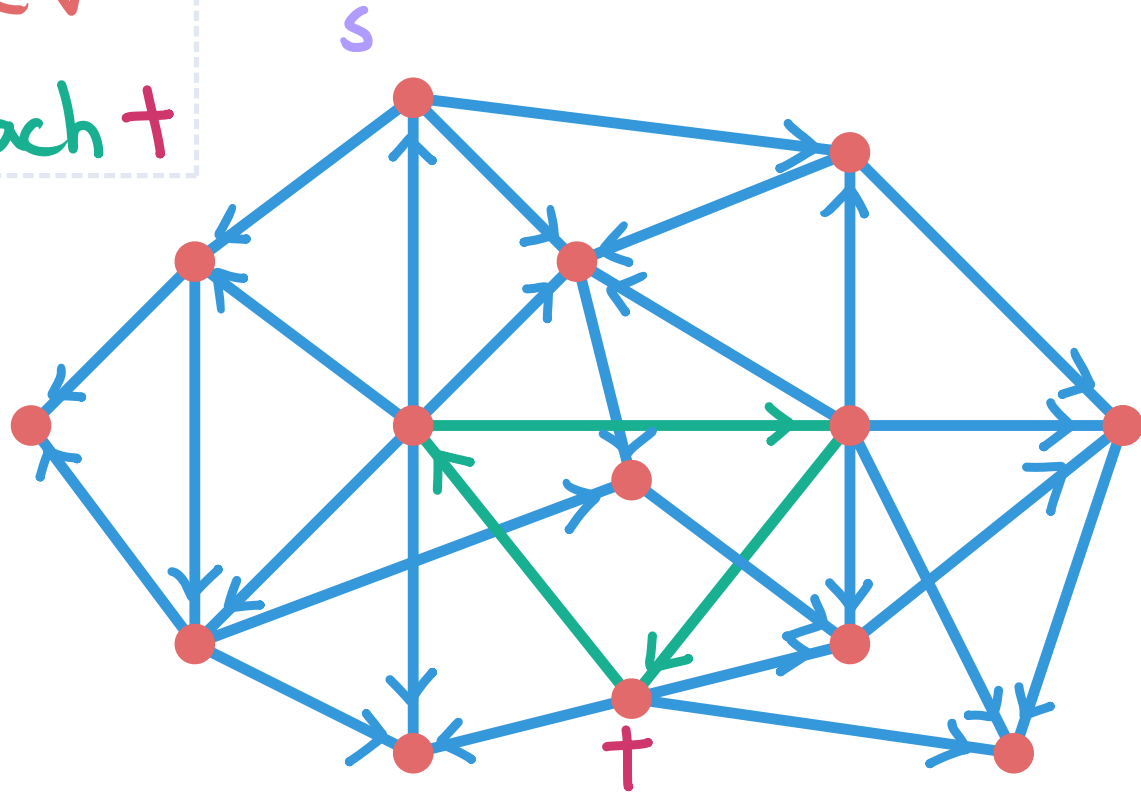
Goal: design an algorithm to figure this out automatically



Input: $G=(V,E)$, $s, t \in V$

Goal: decide if s can reach t

$\text{recursive-search}(s,t) =$
TRUE if s can reach t ,
and FALSE otherwise



$\text{Recursive-search}(s,t)$

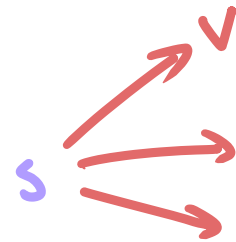
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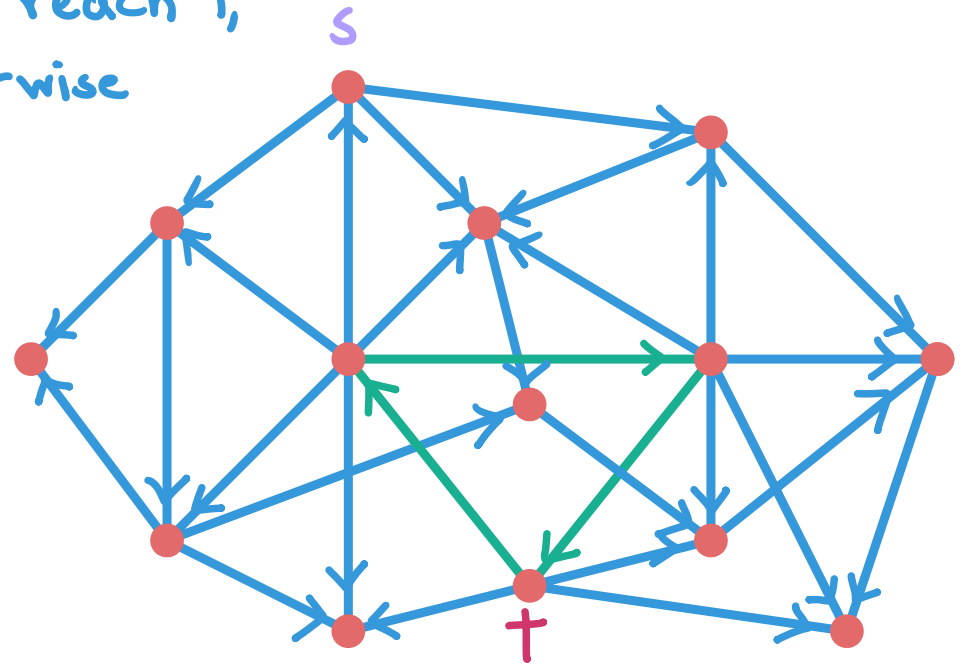
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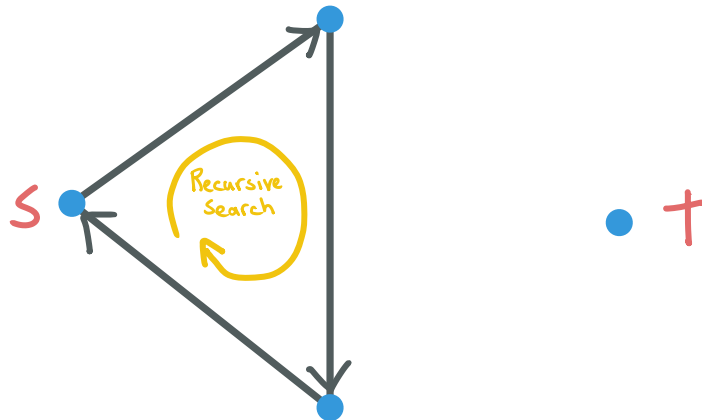
3. return FALSE



Argument: if s can reach t , and $s \neq v$, then there must
be an edge (s,v) s.t. v can reach t .

recursively, $\text{recursive-search}(v,t)$ returns TRUE .

makes sense.
but what about



what went wrong?

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recursively, $\text{recursive-search}(v, t)$ returns TRUE.

recursion requires
induction to be correct

how to fix this?

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$\text{recursive-search}(s, t)$

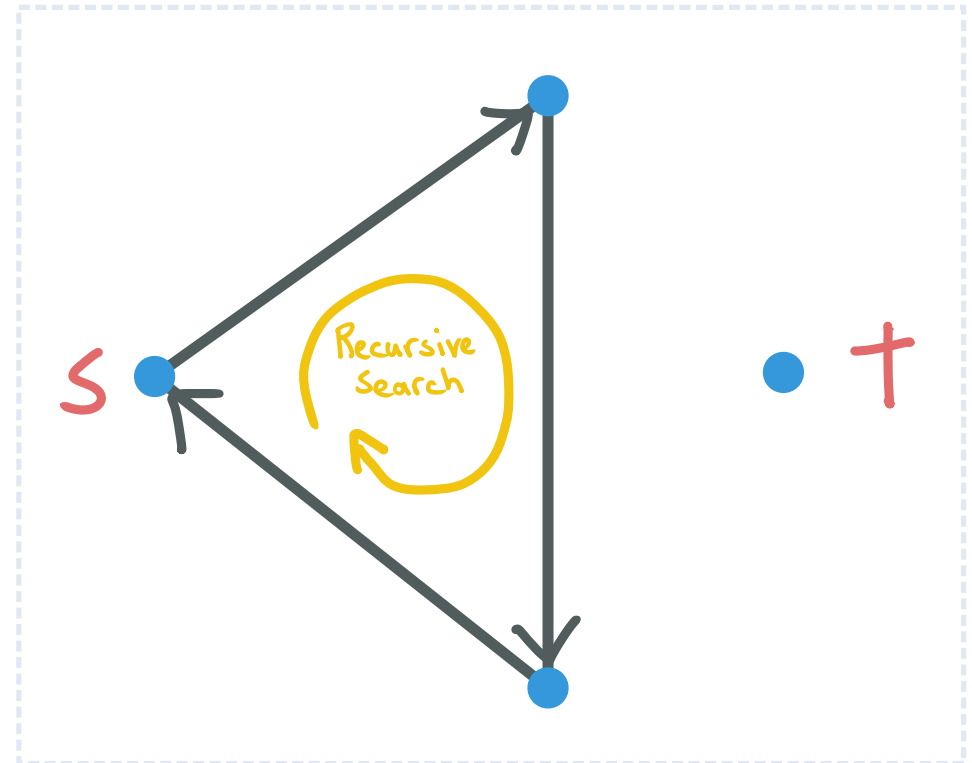
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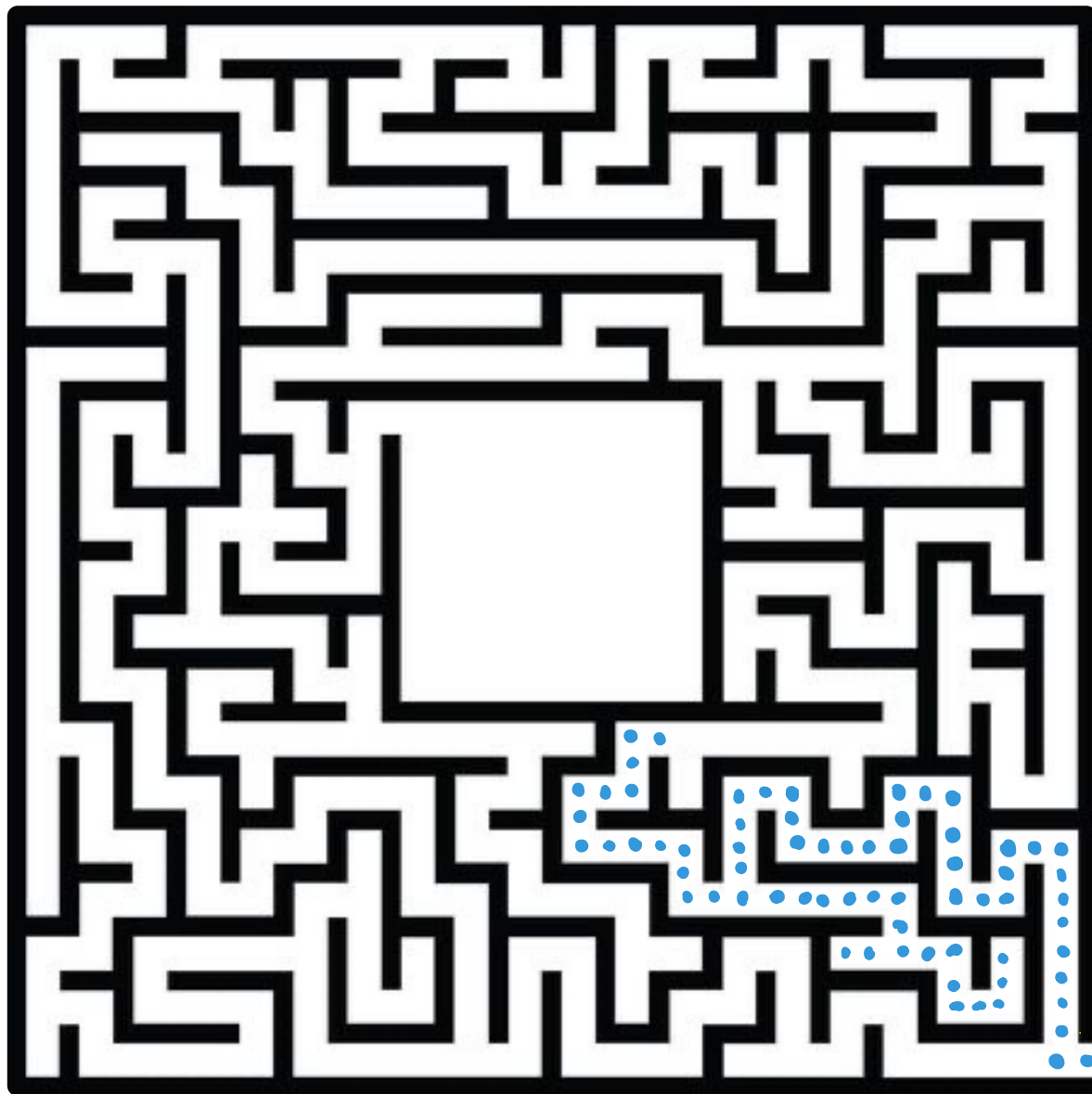
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Breadcrumbs

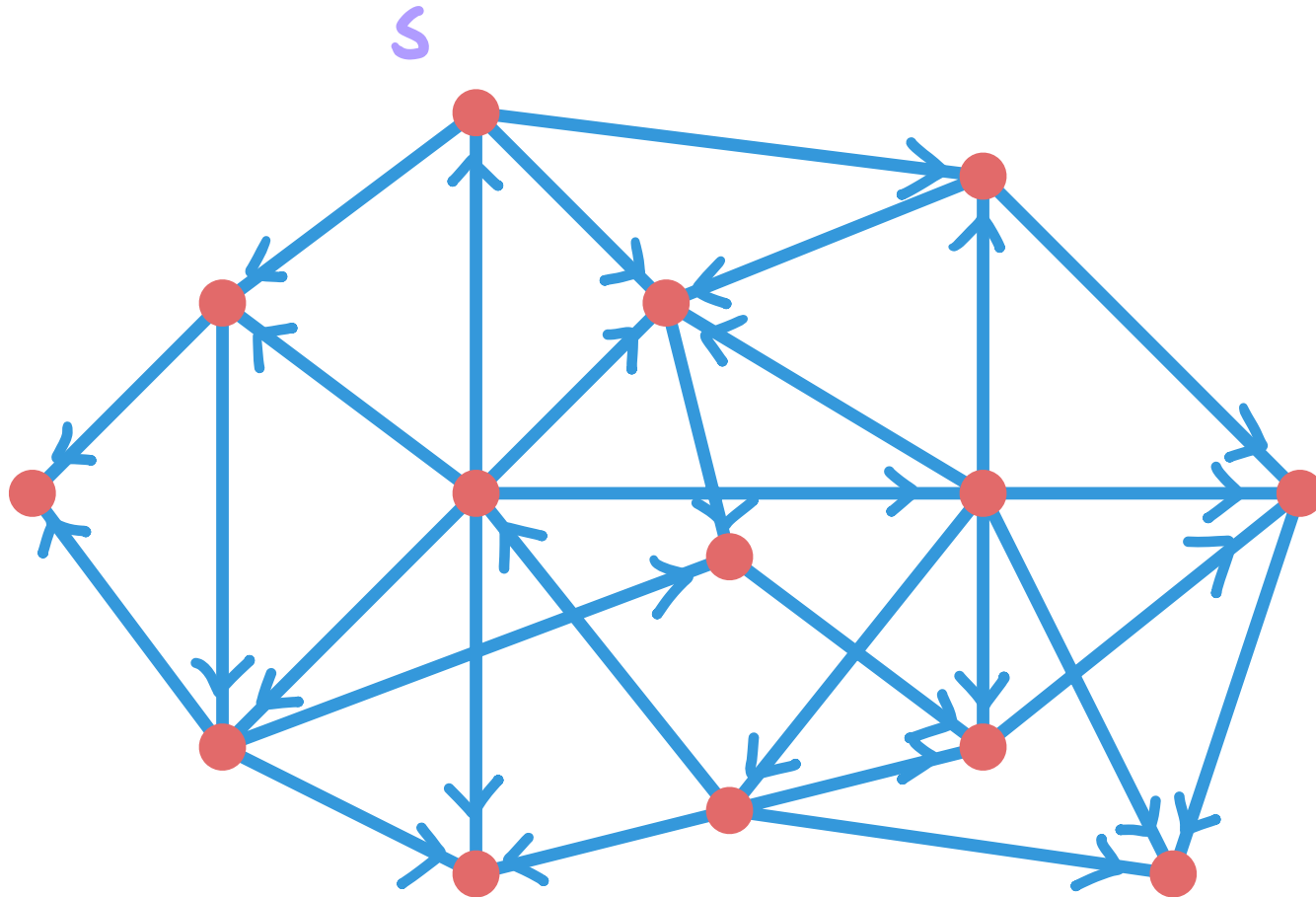
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A. mark v

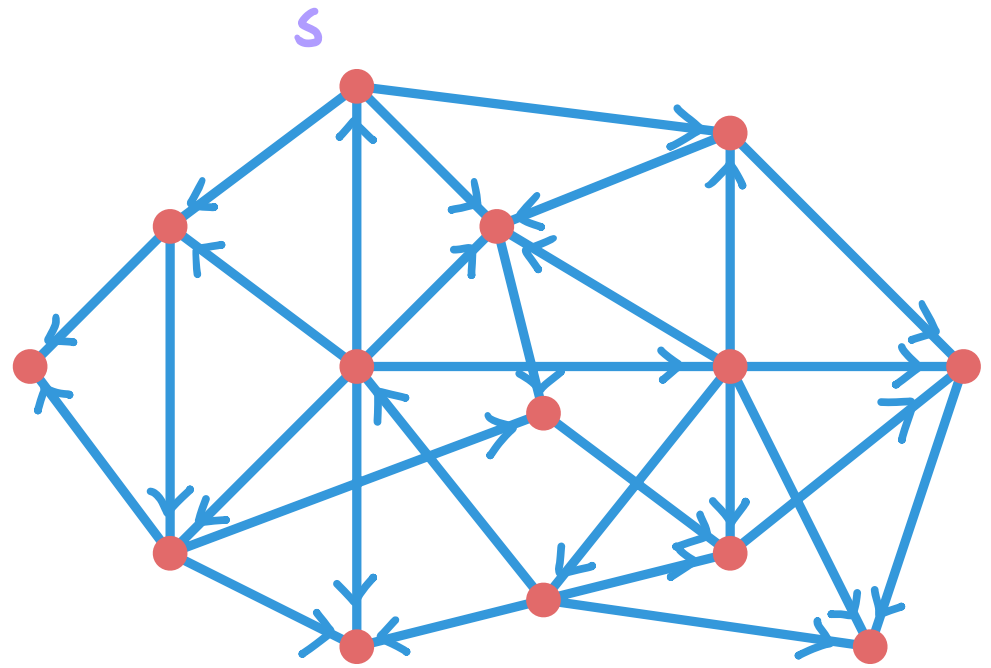
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Proof.

we traverse edge (u, v) only after marking u

we mark each vertex once

$\Rightarrow$ traverse each edge once

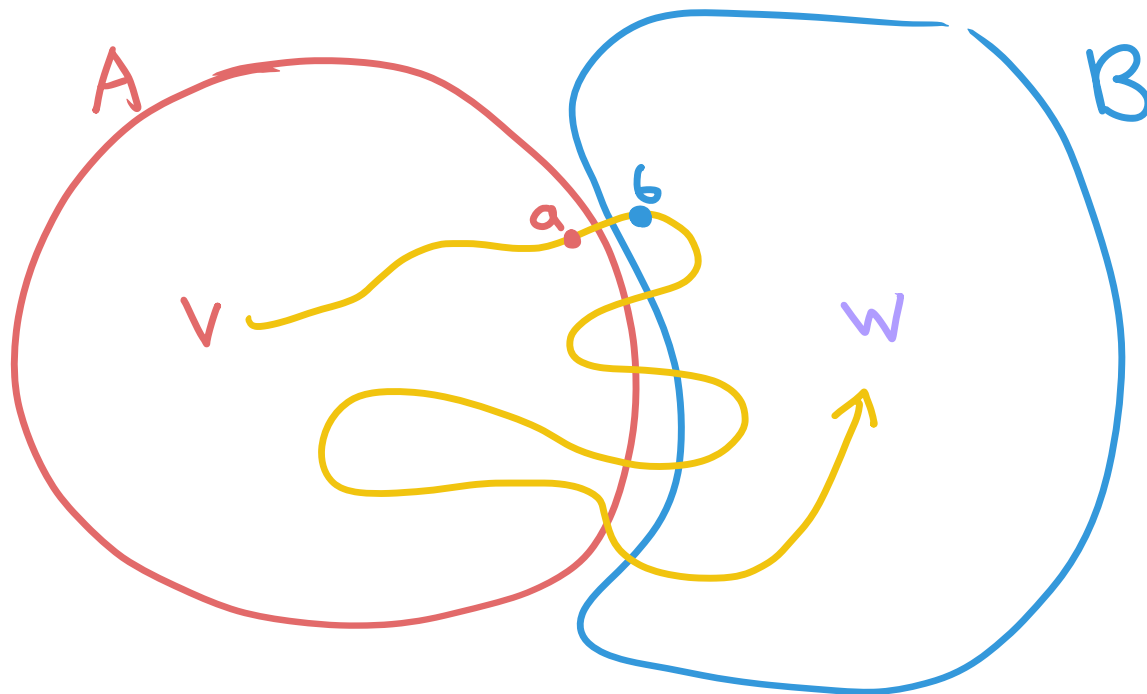
② $\text{DFS}(v)$ visits all vertices reachable from v

$A = \{\text{vertices } a \text{ that are marked}\}$

$B = V \setminus A = \{\text{unmarked vertices}\}$

let w be reachable from v

suppose by contradiction that $w \in B$



$\text{DFS}(v)$

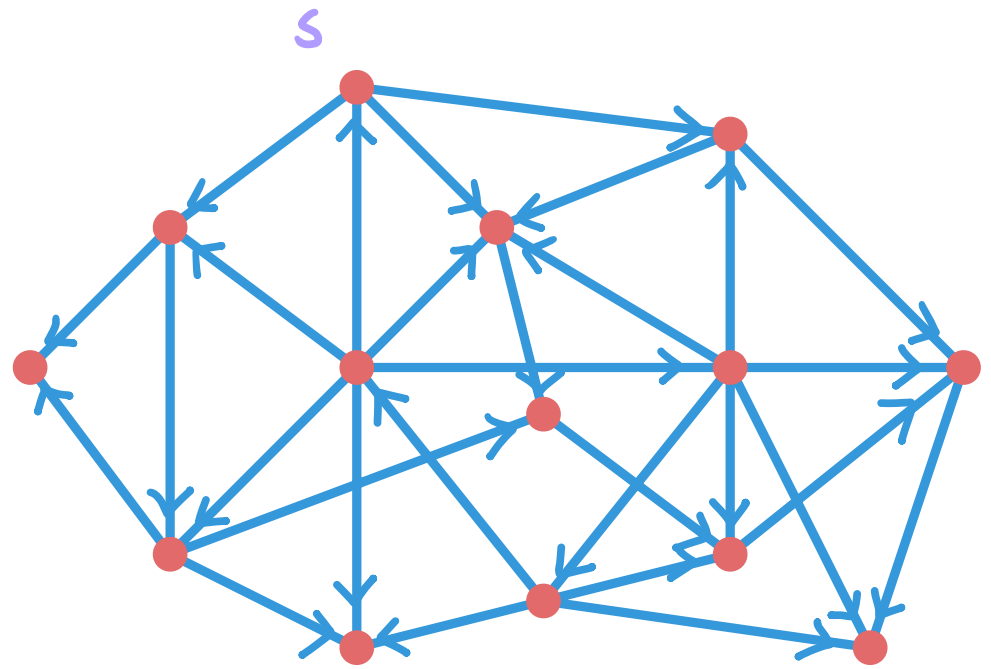
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consider any path from v to w

since the path starts in A and ends in B , there must be some directed edge from some $a \in A$ and some $b \in B$

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2 claims

- ① DFS(v) runs in $O(m+n)$ time
- ② DFS(v) visits all vertices reachable from v

more precisely: DFS(v) returns only after all vertices reachable from v have been marked

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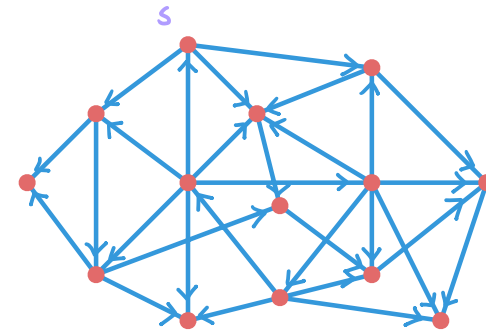
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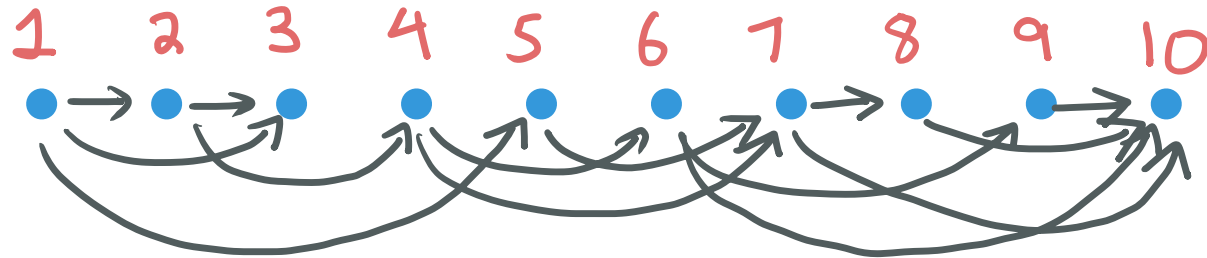
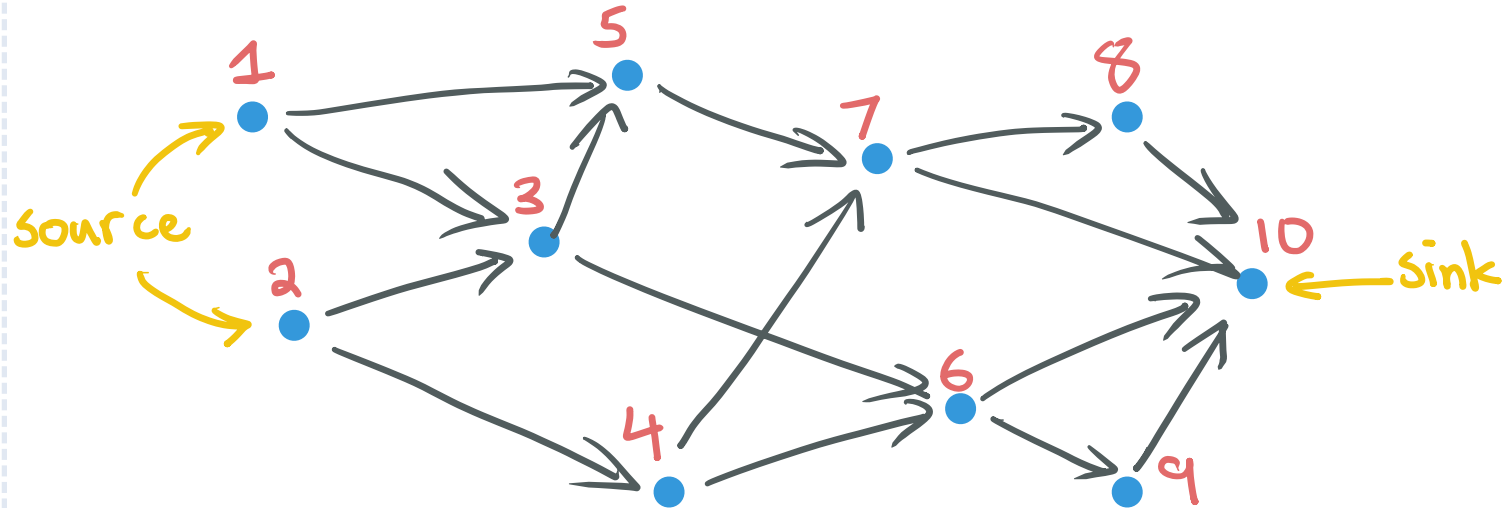
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Recall:

How to topologically sort:
repeatedly remove sources

Topological ordering (of V):
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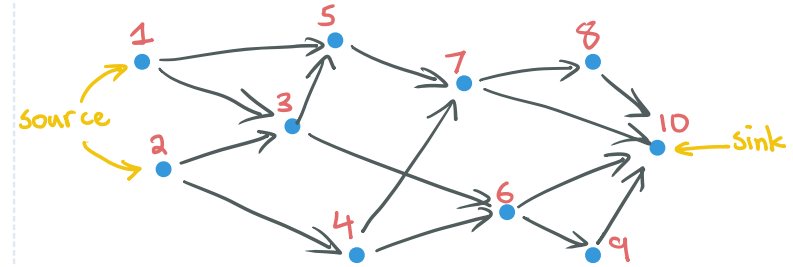


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between the time that

v is marked and DFS(v) exits

DFS only searches vertices reachable from v

Lemma let $v, w \in V$ where

- v can reach w
- w cannot reach v .

Then any DFS that explores both v & w must finish $\text{DFS}(w)$ before $\text{DFS}(v)$

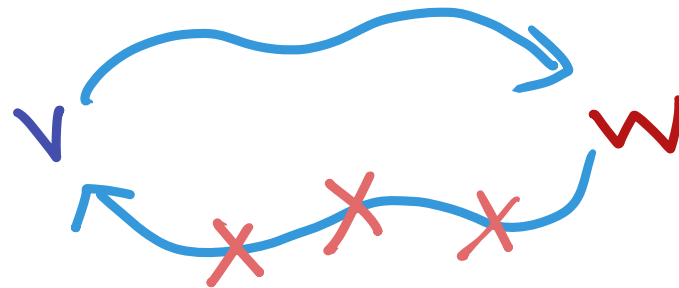
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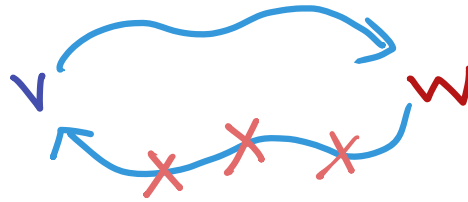
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Proof

Case 1: DFS marks v first

then DFS marks w and

finishes DFS(w) before finishing w .

Case 2: DFS marks w first

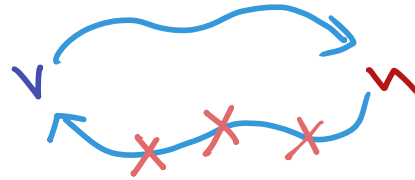
then DFS(w) only searches vertices

reachable from w — which excludes v —

before finishing

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post-DFS order: print out vertices v as we finish $\text{DFS}(v)$

post-DFS(v)

1. If v is unmarked.
 - A. Mark v .
 - B. For each edge (v, w) from v :
 1. post-DFS(w).

/ The following line is the only difference from DFS.*

- C. Append v to the output

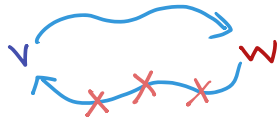
post-DFS-driver($G = (V, E)$)

1. For each vertex $v \in V$
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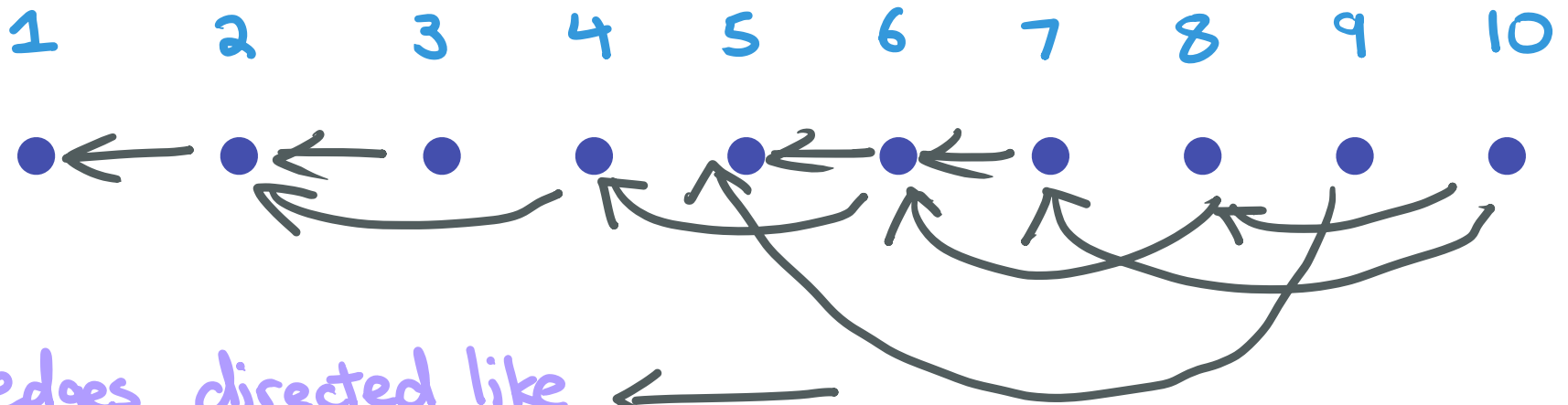
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Consider DAG's.

if u can reach v , then v cannot reach u (why?)

so DFS prints v before u



all edges directed like

Reverse topological order

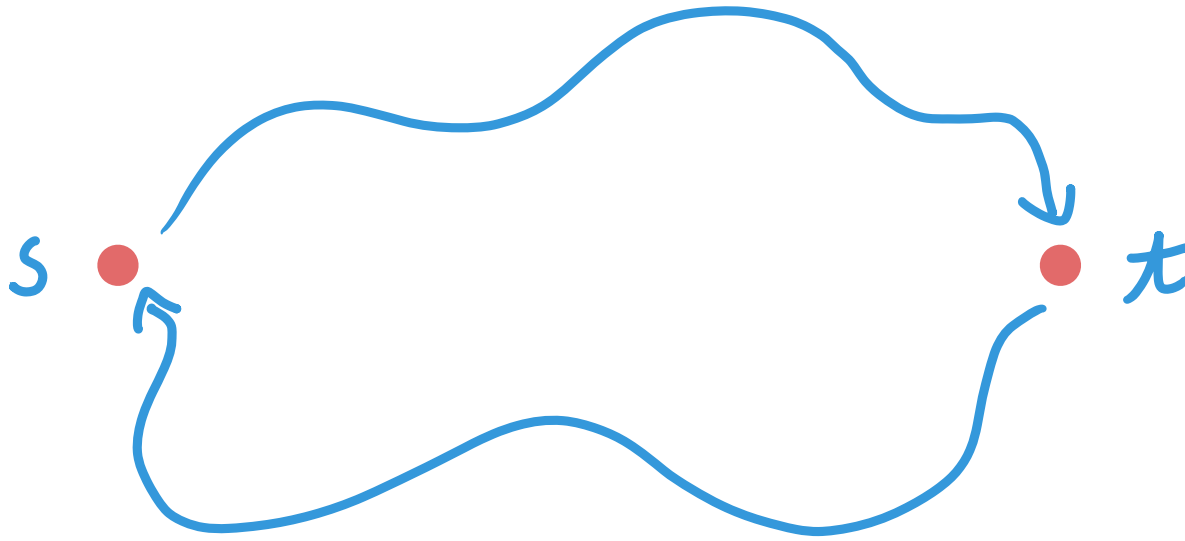
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DFS (+ reversing) gives a second algo.

Strong connectivity

two vertices s and t are strongly connected
if s can reach t and t can reach s

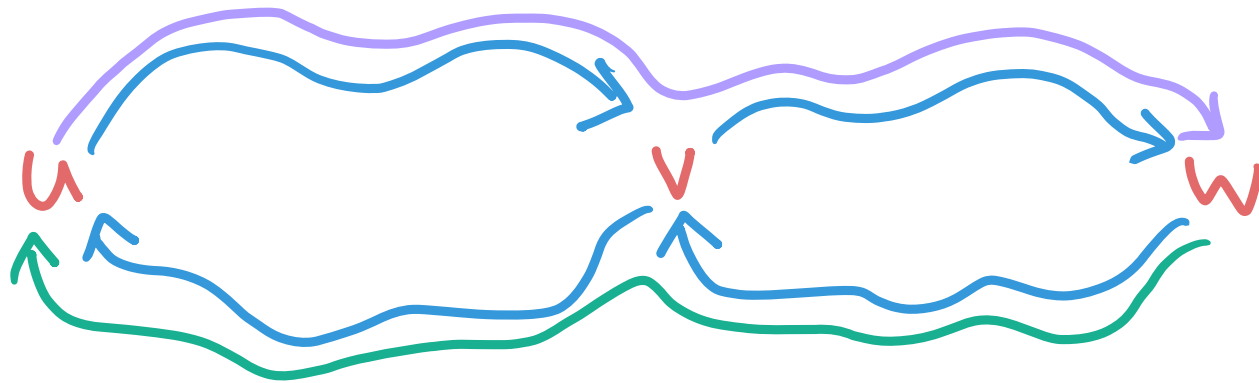


a graph is strongly connected if every pair
of vertices is strongly connected

Claim strong connectivity defines an equivalence class

(that is, if u is strongly connected to v , and v is strongly connected to w , then u is strongly connected to w)

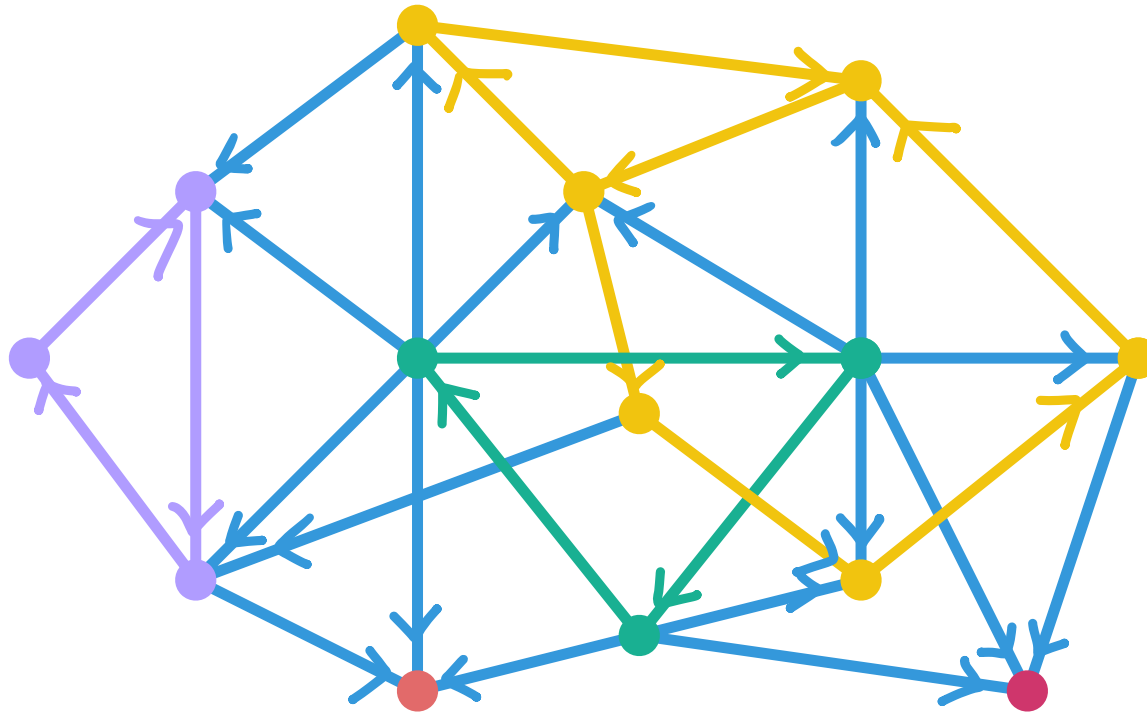
Proof



combine paths from $u \rightsquigarrow v$, $v \rightsquigarrow w$ to get path
from $u \rightsquigarrow w$

similar for other direction

each equivalence class of strongly connected vertices is called a strongly connected component (SCC)

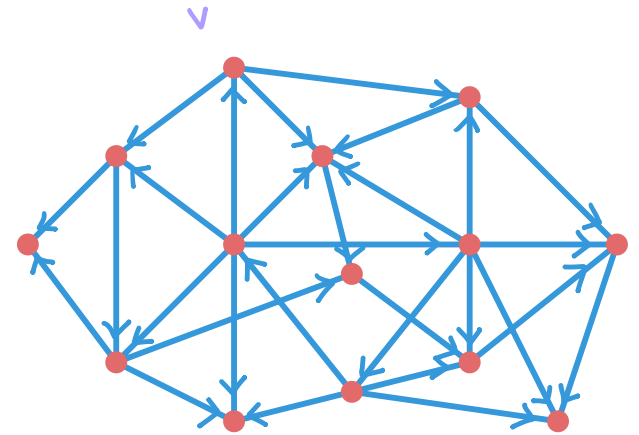


Goal: find the SCC's algorithmically
(strongly connected components)

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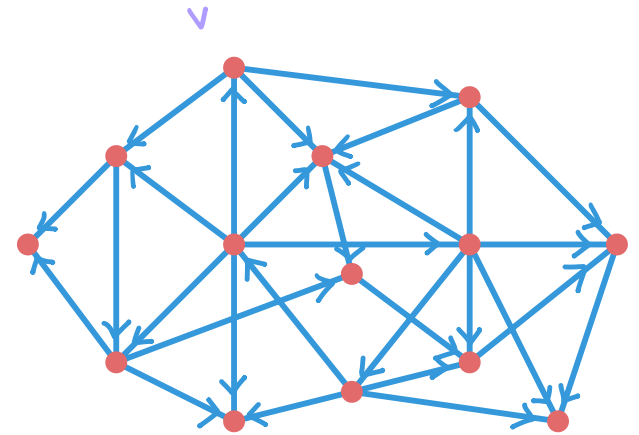
given v , find the SCC of v
(strongly connected component)

ideas?



First:

given v , find the SCC of v
(strongly connected component)



① run DFS from v

②* run DFS from v in the reversed graph

③ return set of vertices visited in both DFS



*② visits all vertices that can reach v in original graph

$SCC(v)$

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$O(m+n)$

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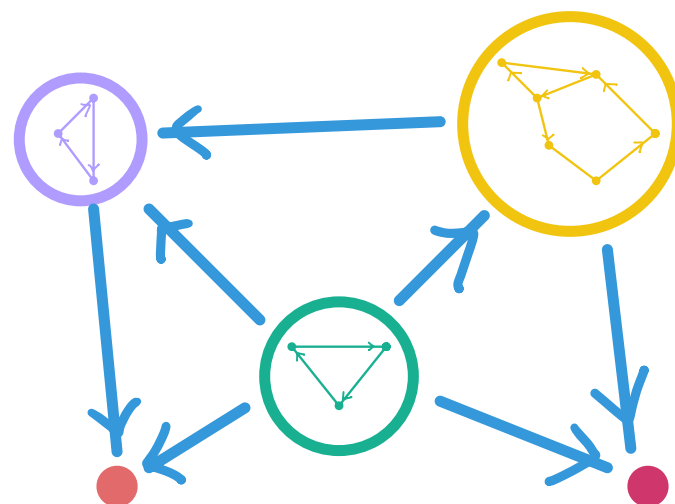
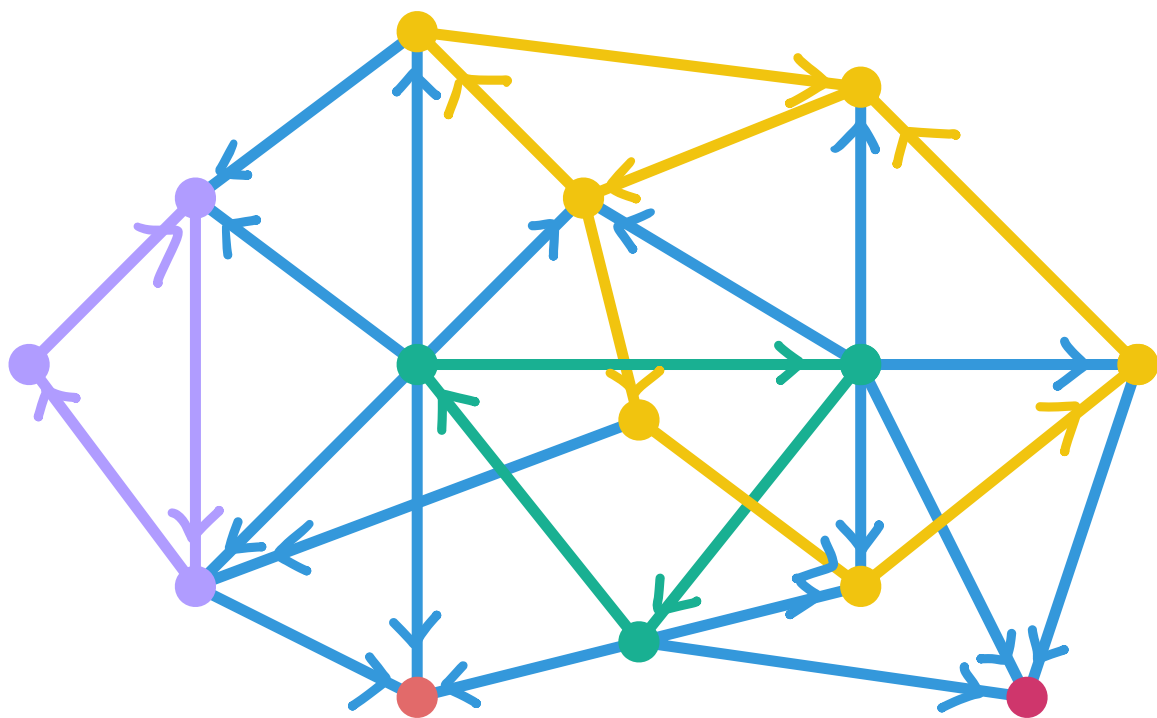
$O(m+n)$

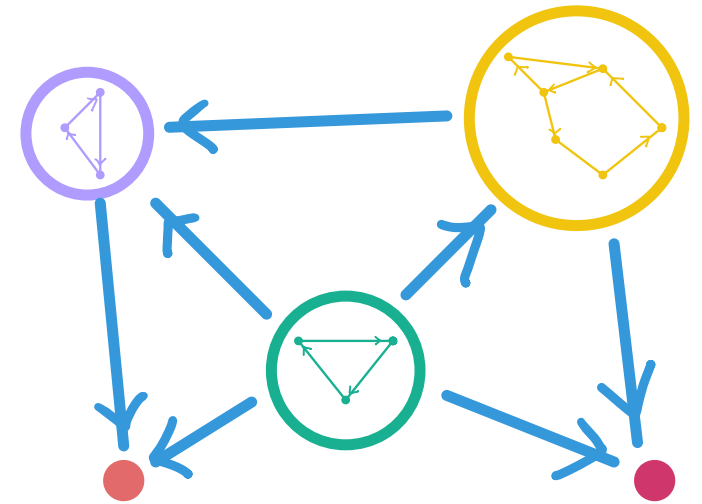
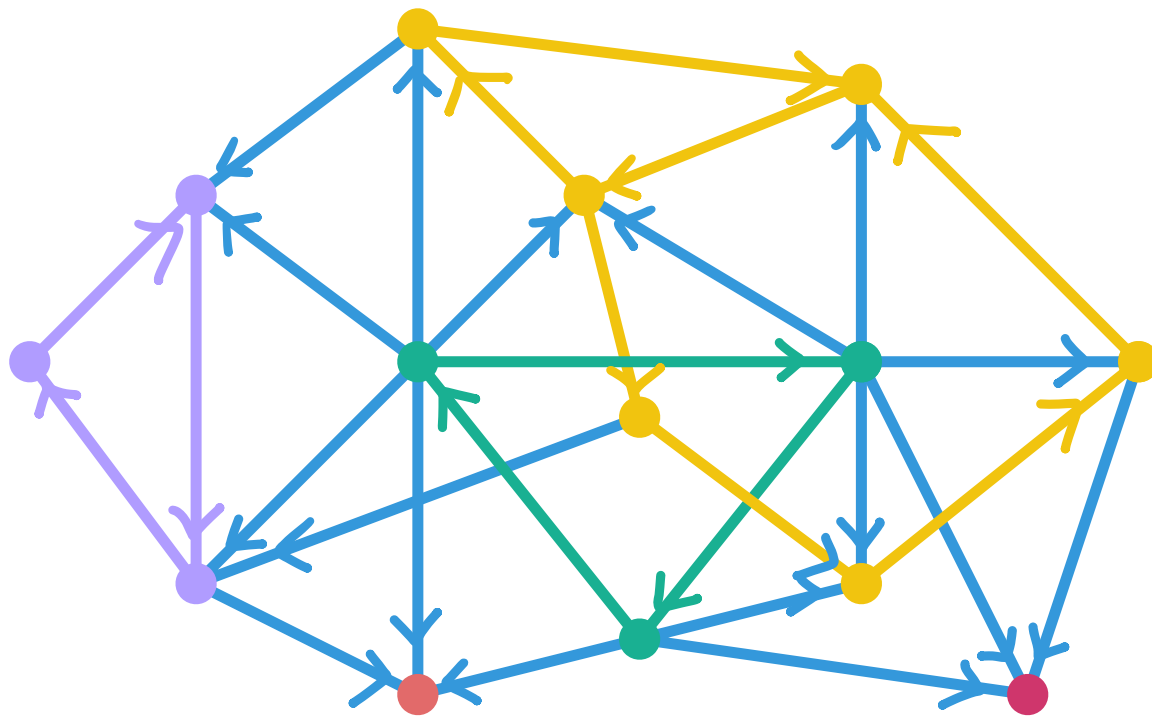
to get all the SCC's:

run from every vertex

$$n \times O(m+n) = O(mn)$$

better?





Conspicuously: no cycles a DAG!
 (directed acyclic graph)

Our current approach

Slow-SCC's ($G=(V,E)$)

1. until $V=\emptyset$

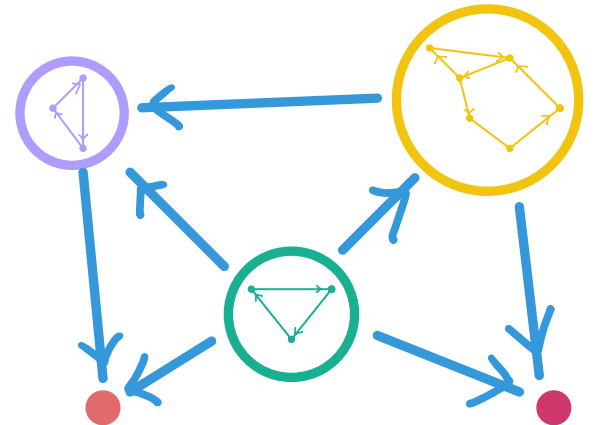
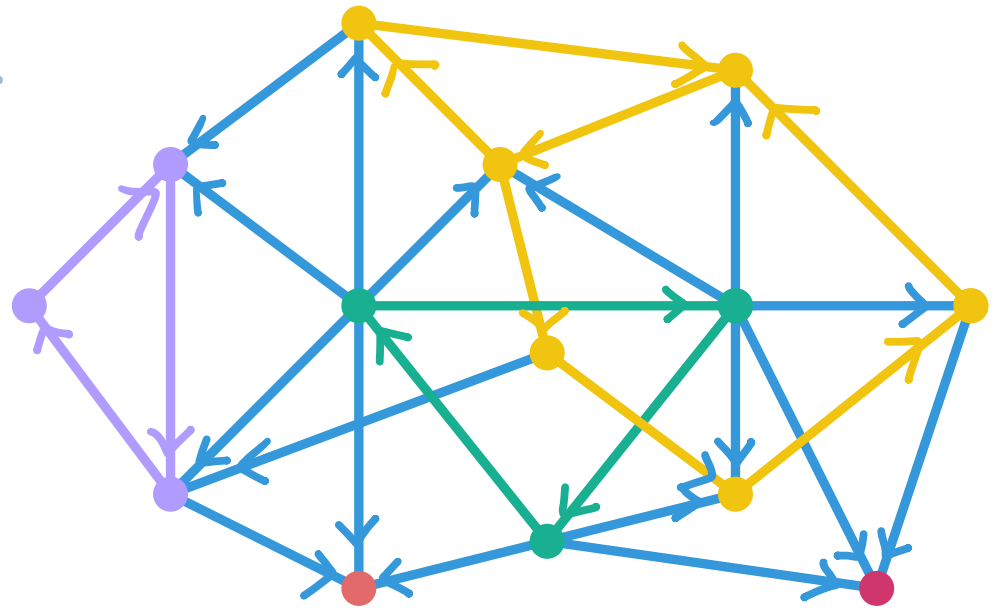
a. let v be any vertex in V

b. $C \leftarrow \text{SCC}(v)$

c. label each vertex in C w/
(some label for C)

d. remove C and all incident
edges from G

(this takes $O(mn)$)



sink-first

~~slow~~ - SCC's ($G=(V,E)$)

we don't know
how to do this
yet

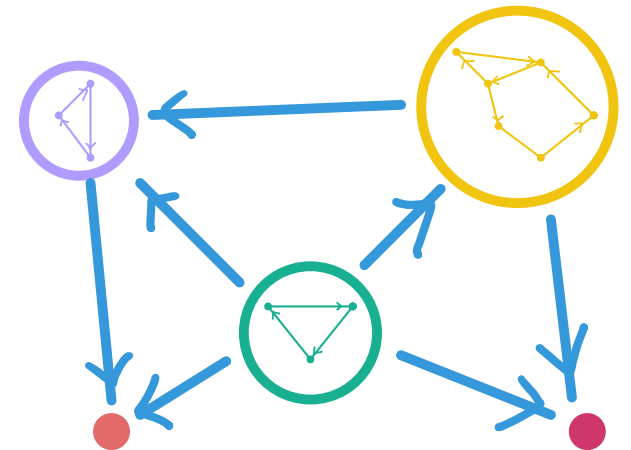
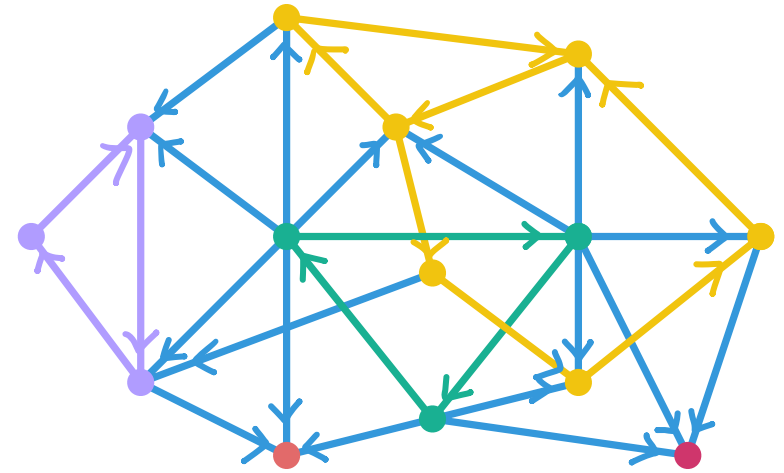
until $V=\emptyset$

let v be any vertex ~~in V~~
in a sink component

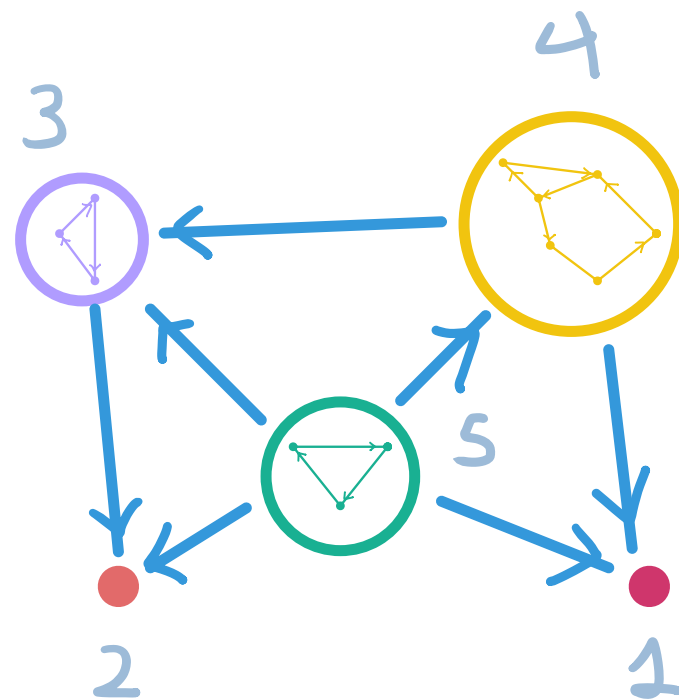
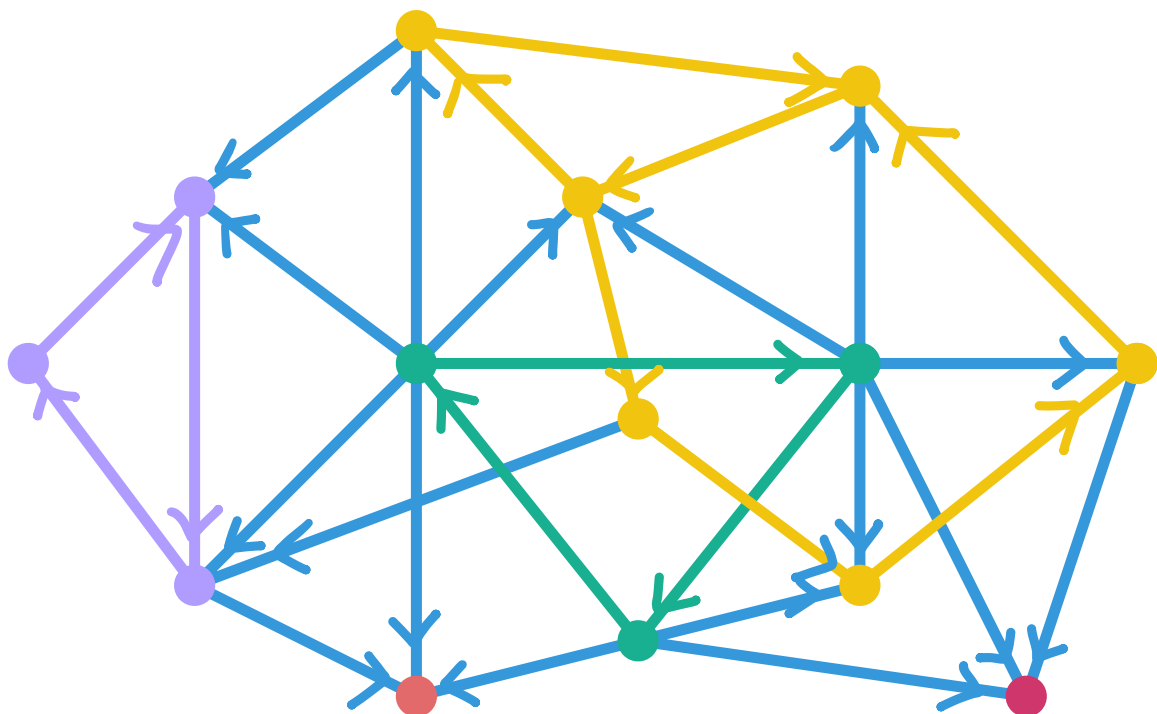
DFS

$C \leftarrow \text{SCC}(v)$ // DFS cannot leave sink
label each vertex in C w/ ^{component}
(some label for) C

remove C and all incident
edges from G

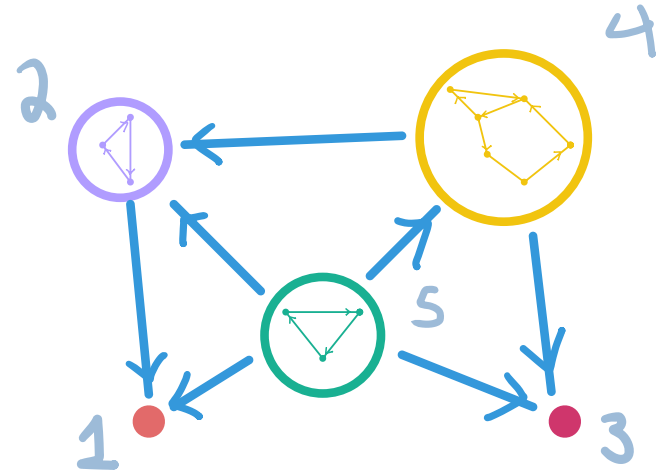
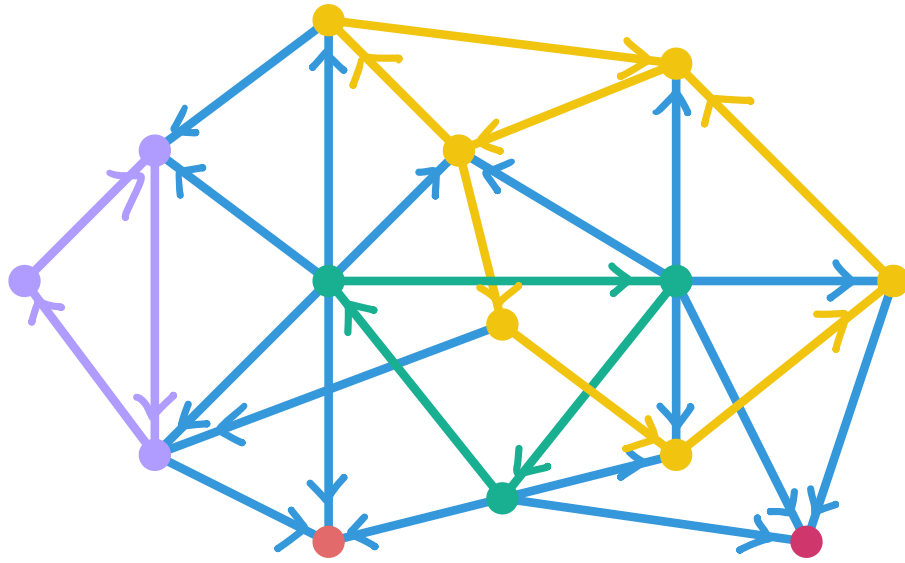


we only visit each vertex once!



To wit:

if we can figure out "sink components" on the fly, then



(a) only 1 DFS per v (instead of reversing)

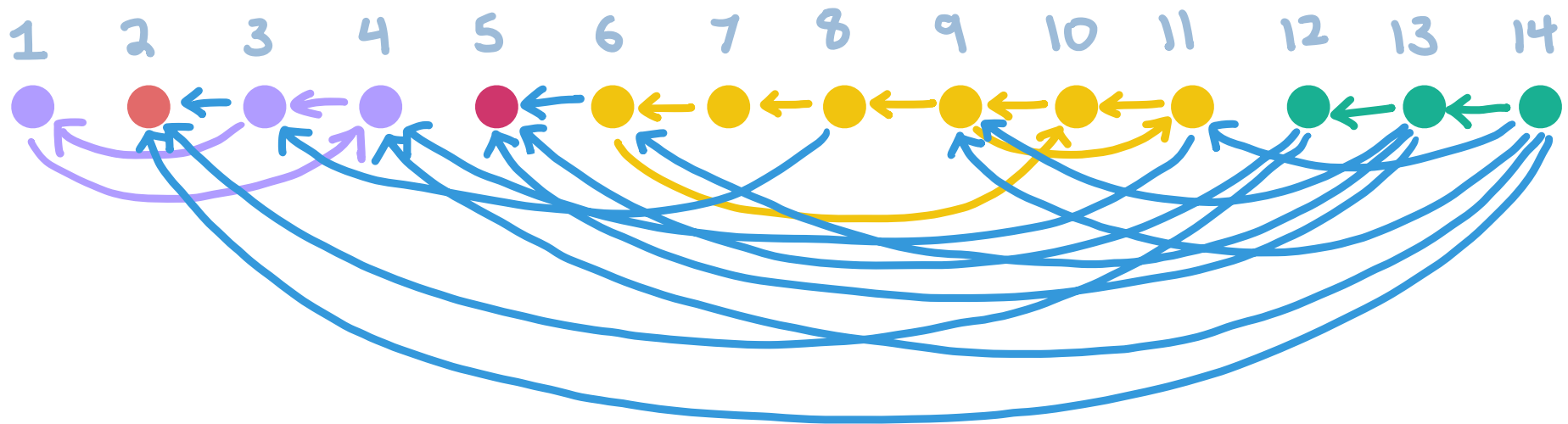
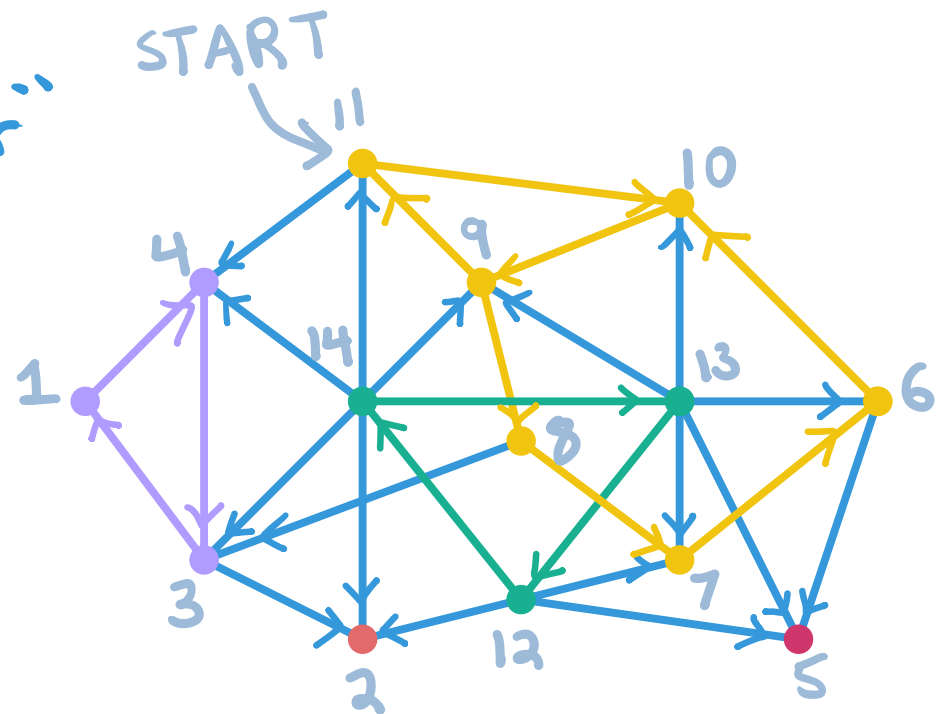
(b) $O(m+n)$ time total:

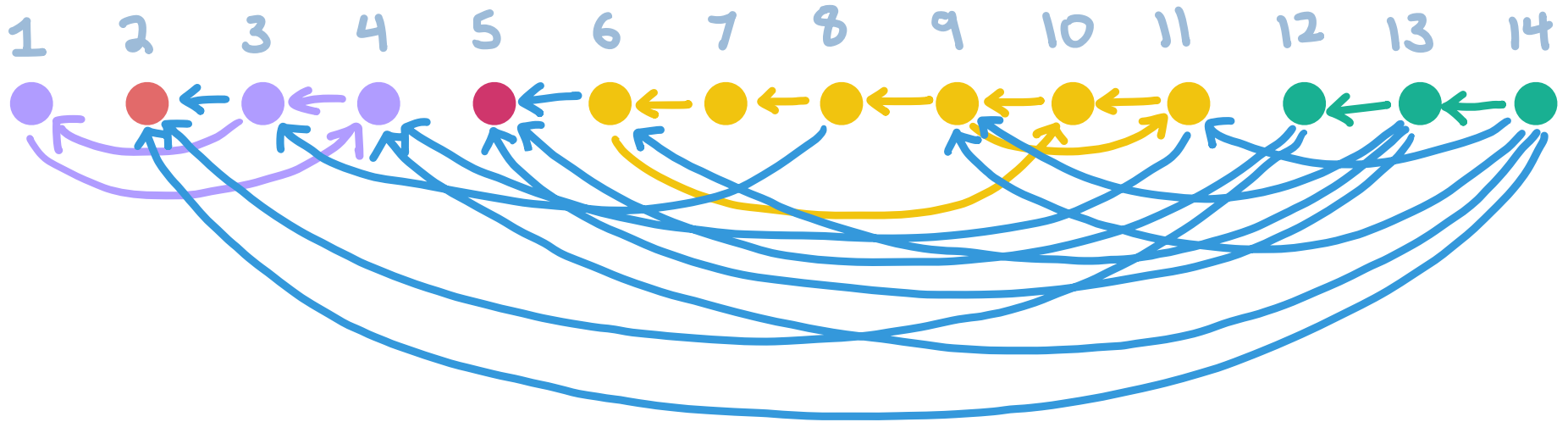
each $\text{DFS}(v)$ does not leave v 's ^(strongly connected component) SCC

how to find "sink-component" ordering?

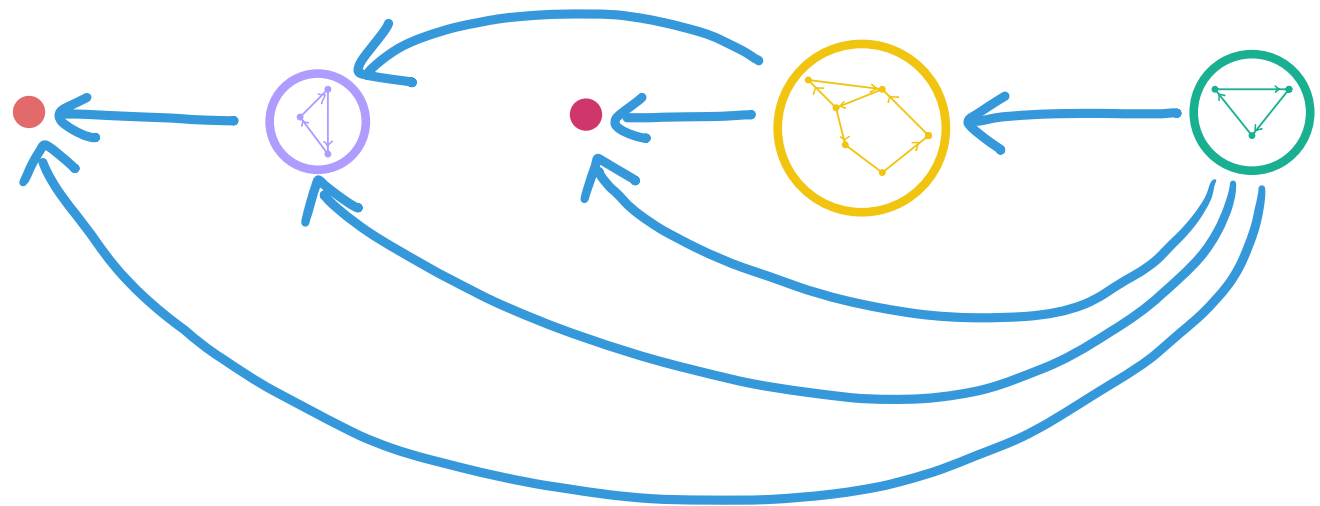
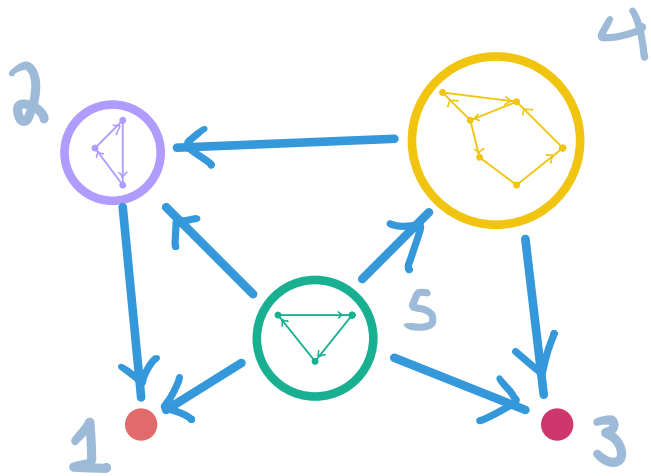
post-order DFS order

lists vertices in "sink-first order"





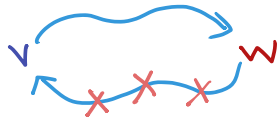
all cross-component edges [in BLUE] are in the same direction



Lemma let $v, w \in V$ where

- v can reach w

- w cannot reach v .



Then any DFS that explores both v & w must finish $\text{DFS}(w)$ before $\text{DFS}(v)$

post-DFS(v)

1. If v is unmarked.

A. Mark v .

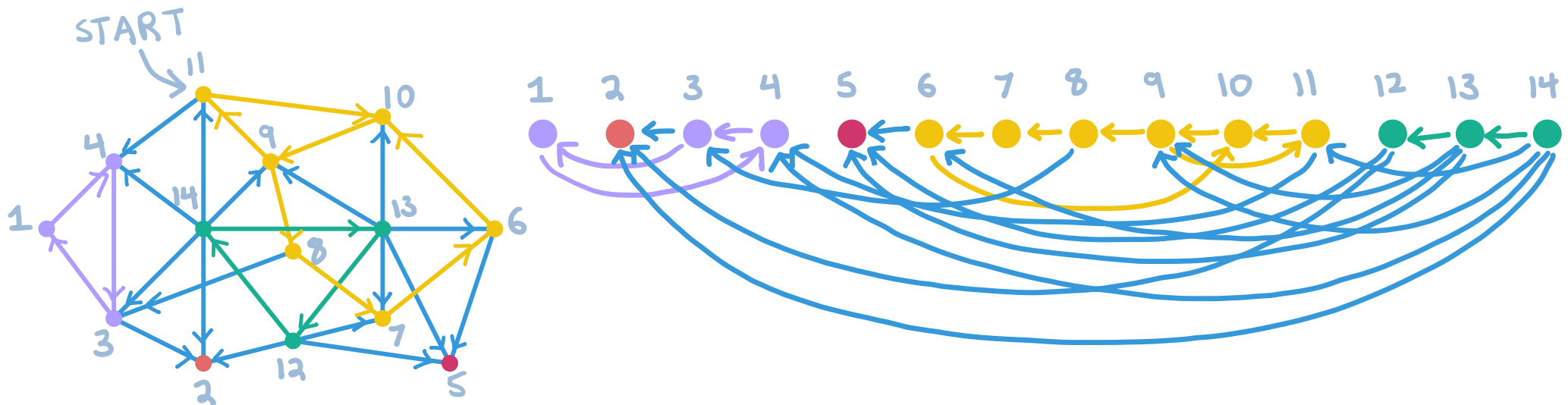
B. For each edge (v, w) from v :

1. $\text{post-DFS}(w)$.

/ The following line is the only difference*

C. Append v to the output

Lemma. let $v_1, \dots, v_n$ list vertices s.t. if v_i can reach v_j , and v_j cannot reach v_i , then $i > j$.
then v_n is from a source component



sink-first

~~slow~~ - SCC's ($G=(V,E)$)

until $V=\emptyset$

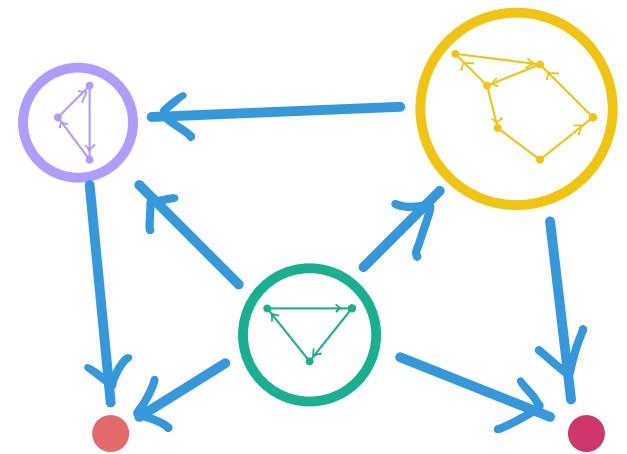
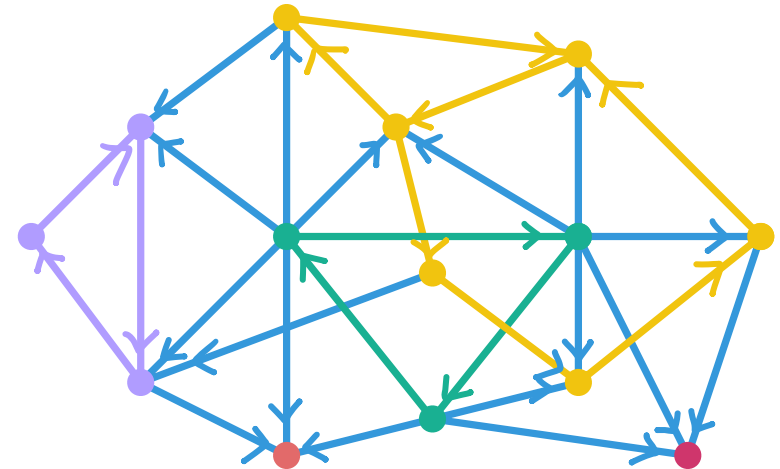
let v be a vertex in a sink component

$C \leftarrow \text{DFS}(v)$ // DFS cannot leave sink component

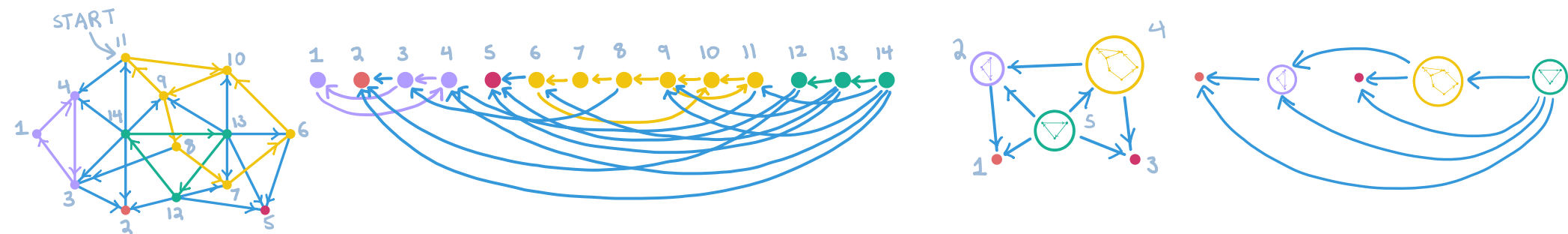
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remove C and all incident
edges from G

we don't know
how to do this
yet



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sink-first-SCC($G = (V, E)$)

1. Compute a post-DFS ordering of V in the *reversed* graph G_r
2. Until $V = \emptyset$
 - A. Let v be the *last* (remaining) vertex in V in the post-DFS order of G_r
// v is in a sink component of G .
 - B. $C \leftarrow$ all vertices marked by $\text{dfs}(v)$
 - C. Append C to the output
 - D. Remove C and all incident edges from G

$O(m+n)$ [!!!]

