

Applications of DFS :

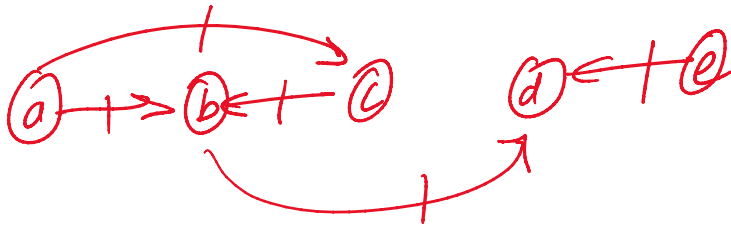
★ Topological Sort (TS):

Given a dir graph G ,

Find ordering of vertices s.t.

$$(u,v) \in E \Rightarrow u \text{ comes before } v.$$

eg.



a c b e d a e c b d

Q: Does TS always exist? **NO!**



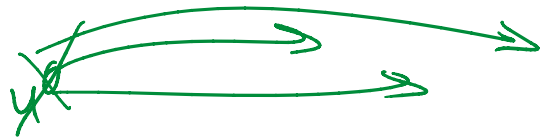
If \exists a cycle then no TS.

★ So lets assume that G is acyclic (DAG).

Aside: A DAG always has a source node (in-deg=0) & a sink node (out-deg=0)



First Algo:

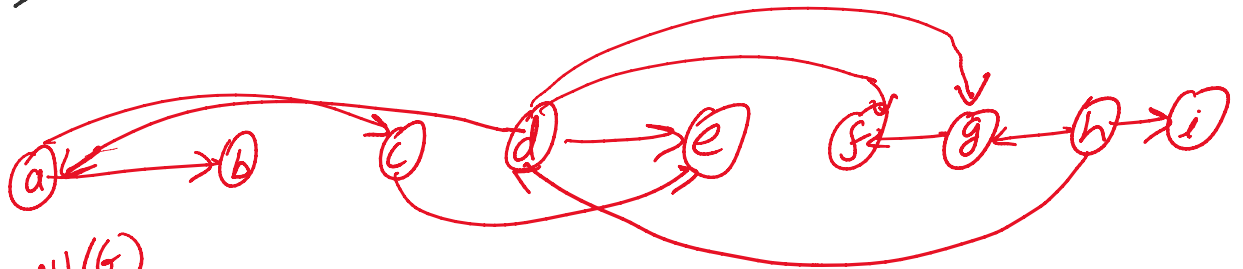


- Find a source vertex u .
- Output u .
- Remove u & it's edges. Repeat.

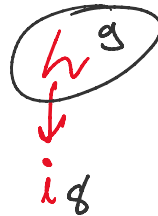
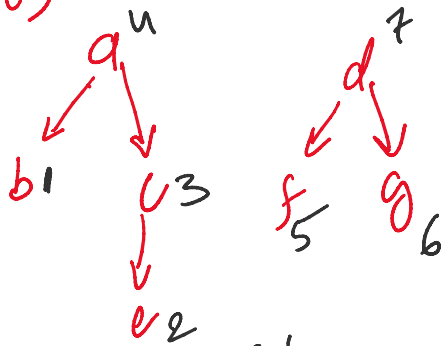
Q: How to find a source vertex?

- Run DFSAll(G)
- Pick $u =$ vertex w/ largest finish time.

eg:



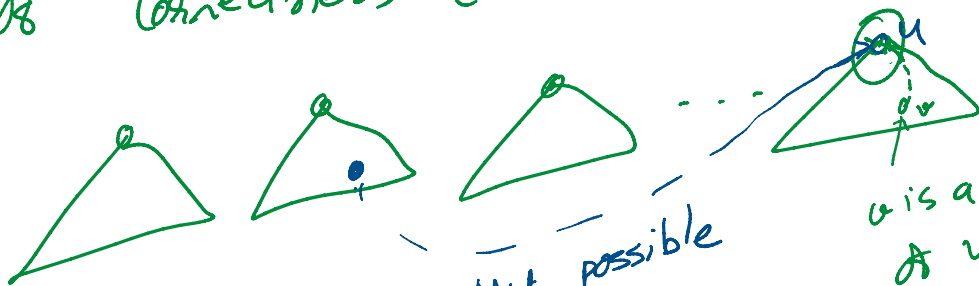
DFSAll(G)



DFS(G, u) {
 - Mark u
 ...
 - Finish(u) = time t
 }
 output u .

b e c a f g d i h

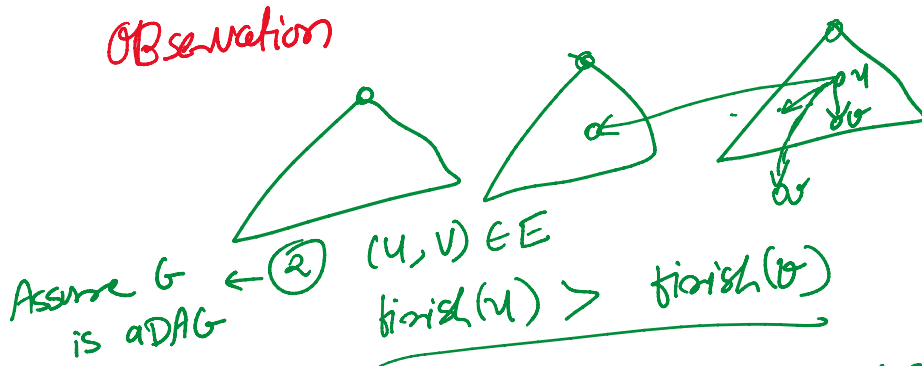
Proof of correctness (Sketch):



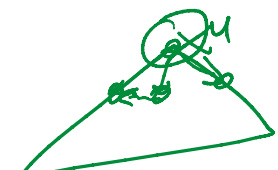
Not possible

- u is a descendant of v .
- $\Rightarrow (v, u)$ is a back edge
- $\Rightarrow \exists$ cycle in $G!$

Observation



back edge $\Rightarrow \exists$ a cycle in $G!$



(1) one of child of u will have second largest finish time.

Q: How to remove u & repeat?

Do nothing! Just pick the ^{vertex w/} next largest finish time.

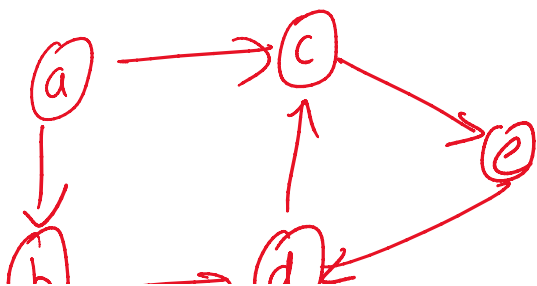
Final Algo:

1. Run DFSAll(G) & compute finish times.
- (2) Output vertices in the decreasing order of finish time

Running time $O(n+m)$

Corollary: \exists a topological sort $\Leftrightarrow G$ is acyclic (DAG).

★ Strongly Connected Component (SCC)

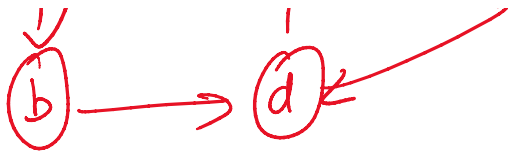


$a \rightsquigarrow c$

$e \rightsquigarrow a$

$c \rightsquigarrow e$ $e \rightsquigarrow c$

... at nodes connected...



$c \rightarrow e \rightarrow c$
 e, c are strongly connected

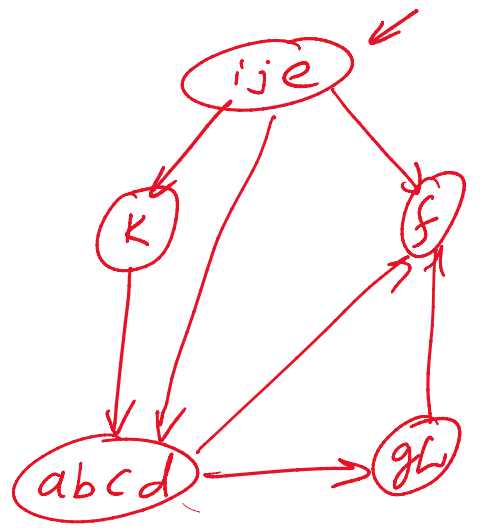
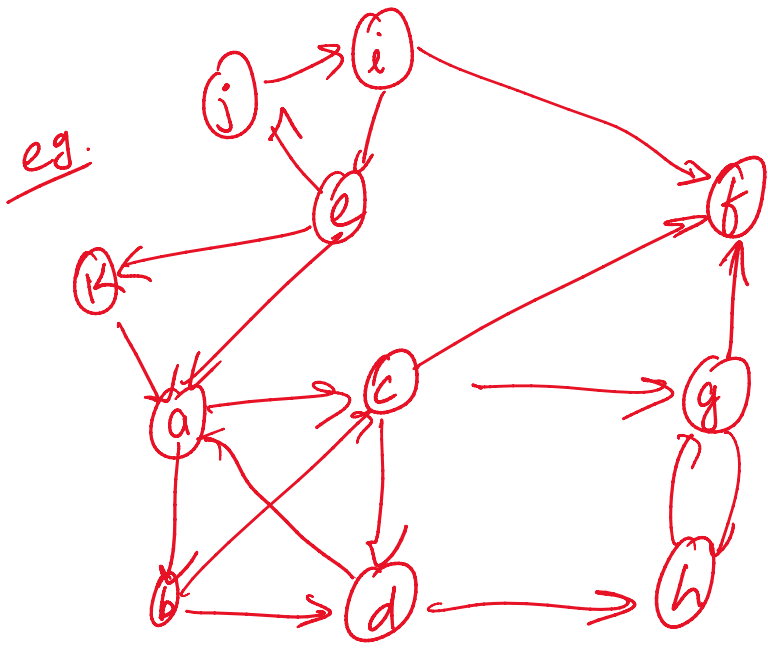
Given a ^{dir} graph G , we say $u, v \in V$ are
 s.c. iff $\exists u \rightarrow v \ \& \ v \rightarrow u$.

s.c. Relation: symmetric, reflexive, $u \leftrightarrow v \leftrightarrow u$ transitive
 is an equivalence Relation



Decomposes V into disjoint components/sets.

Find SCC of dir graph G :
 Partition V into components s.t.
 u, v are in the same component \Leftrightarrow
 $u \rightarrow v \ \& \ v \rightarrow u$ (u, v are s.c.)



Meta-graph is acyclic (DAG).

... .. s.c. {k}

$\{j, k, e\}$, $\{a, b, c, d\}$, $\{g, h\}$, $\{f\}$, $\{k\}$

acyclic (DAG)

within a S.C.C we can go from anywhere to anywhere

App'l'n - control flow in program, ...
Simplify a dir graph into a DAG

Naive Approach:

- test reachability of every pair of vertices.
↓ & find S.C.C.

for a node, just run a DFS/BFS.

$$O(n) * O(m+n) = O(n(m+n))$$

- Find a cycle, shrink it, repeat.

History:

Purdom '68 $O(n^2)$

Munro '71 $(m+n \log n)$

Tarjan '72 $O(m+n)$ ← complex.

⇒ Kosaraju '78 } $O(m+n)$ simple.
Shamir '81 }

First idea:

... .. no source

First idea:

1. Find a vertex u in the source component of the meta-graph
2. Find u 's component
3. Remove & repeat.

Q: How to find a vertex in the source component?

1. Run DFSAll(G)
2. Pick $u =$ vertex w/ largest finish order.

Proof sketch:

