

assuming UG knowledge of Graphs.

Lecture: Graphs part 1 (part 2: SP)  
3: Netflow)

## Intro to graphs

### Minimum Spanning Trees

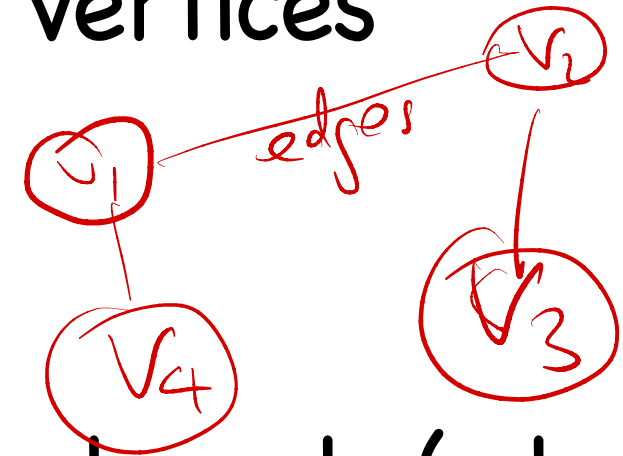
- Intro to graphs: cycles, paths, edges, representation (pre req)
- BFS + DFS (pre req)
- DFS (MS-level) details
- DFS  $\Rightarrow$  Strongly connected components
- Min Span Tree (Kruskal, Prim, Cut Theorem)

# Graphs

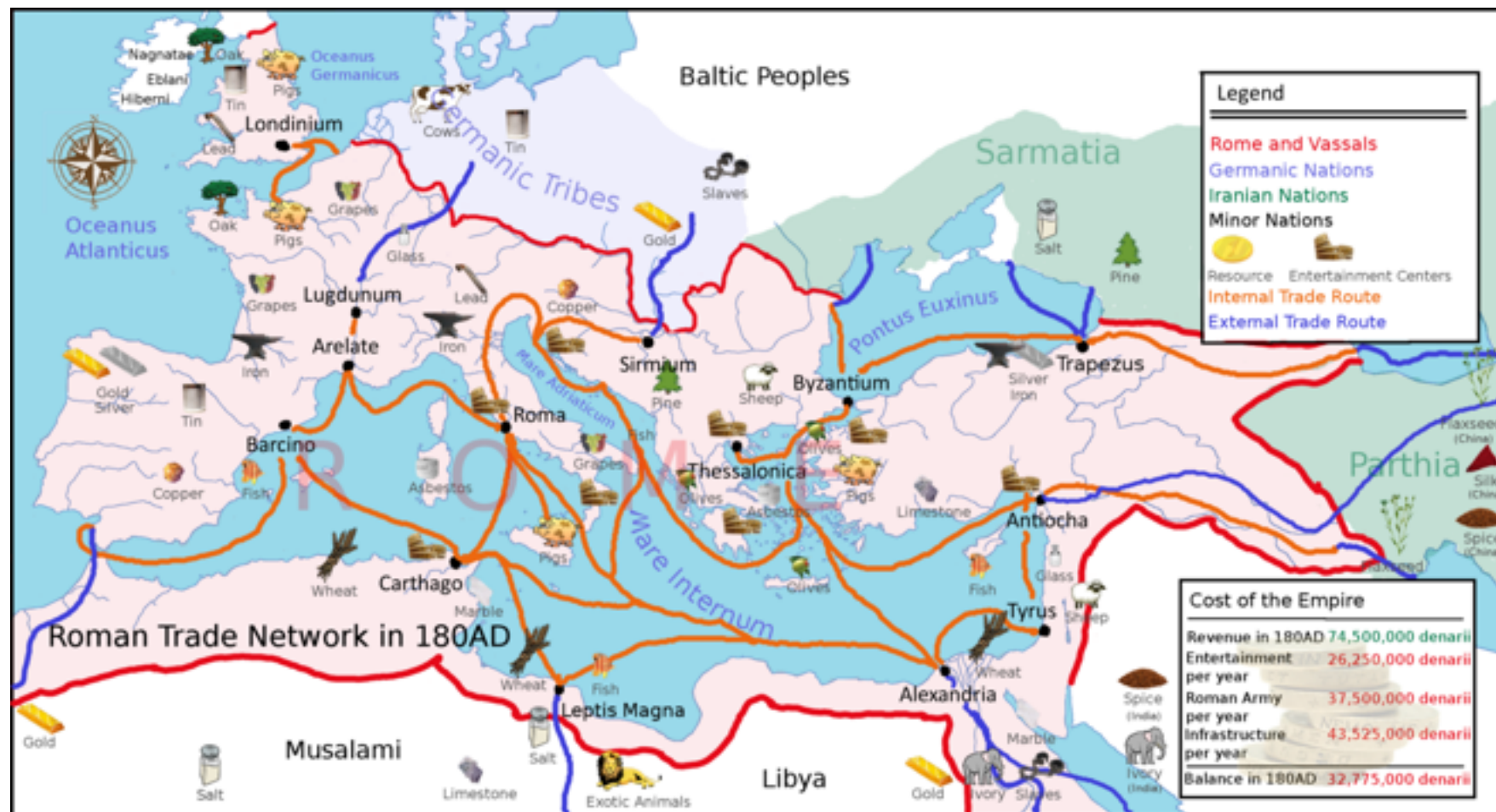
- nodes/vertices and edges between vertices

- set  $V$  for vertices, set  $E$  for edges

- we write graph  $G = (V, E)$



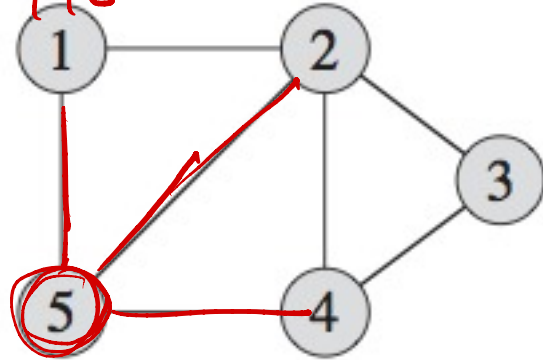
- example : cities on a map (nodes) and roads (edges)



# Adjacency matrix

- $a_{ij} = 1$  if there is an edge from vertex  $i$  to vertex  $j$
- if graph is undirected, edges go both ways, and the adj. matrix is symmetric

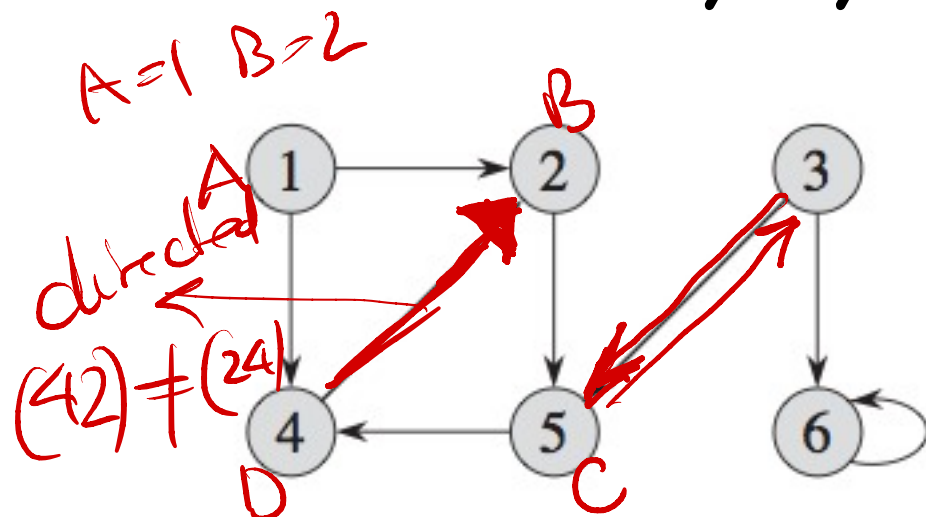
1, 2, 3, 4, 5 = vertices ids



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

→ edge (2, 3)  
→ edge (3, 2)

- if the graph is directed, the adj. matrix is not necessarily symmetric



	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	0	1	0	1	0	0
2	0	0	0	0	1	0
3	0	0	0	0	1	1
4	0	1	0	0	0	0
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6	0	0	0	0	0	1

→ missing edge

→ edge (3, 5)

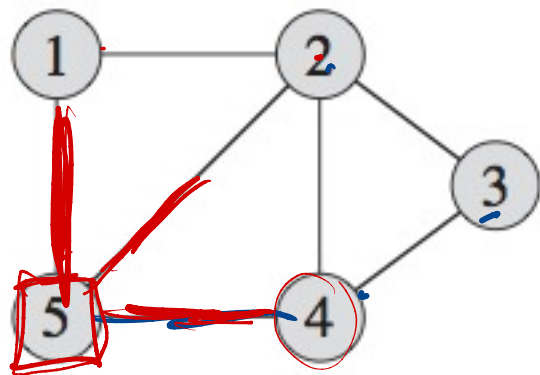
→ edge (5, 3) added.

G sparse ⇒ lots of "0" in Adj Mat



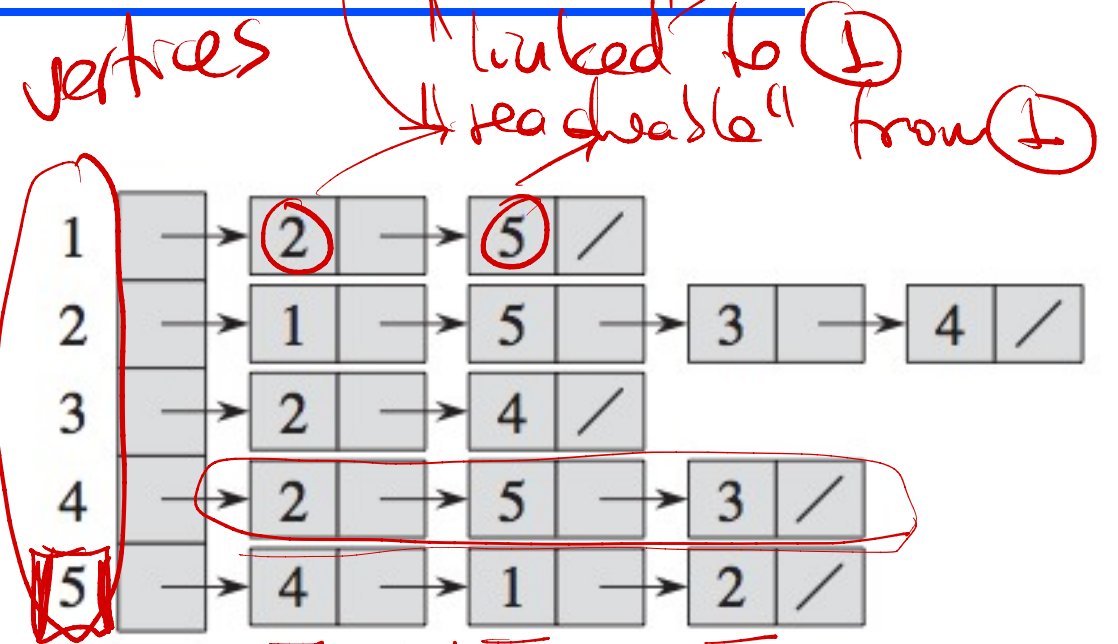
edge link, connect  $\Rightarrow$  undirected  $G$

# Adjacency lists



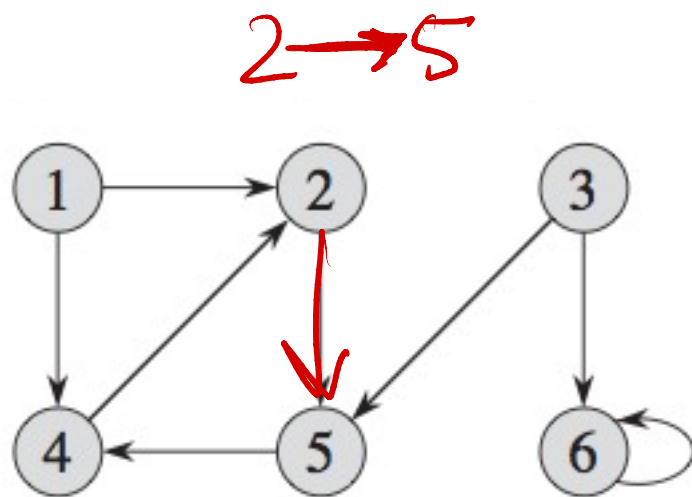
Adj Matrix

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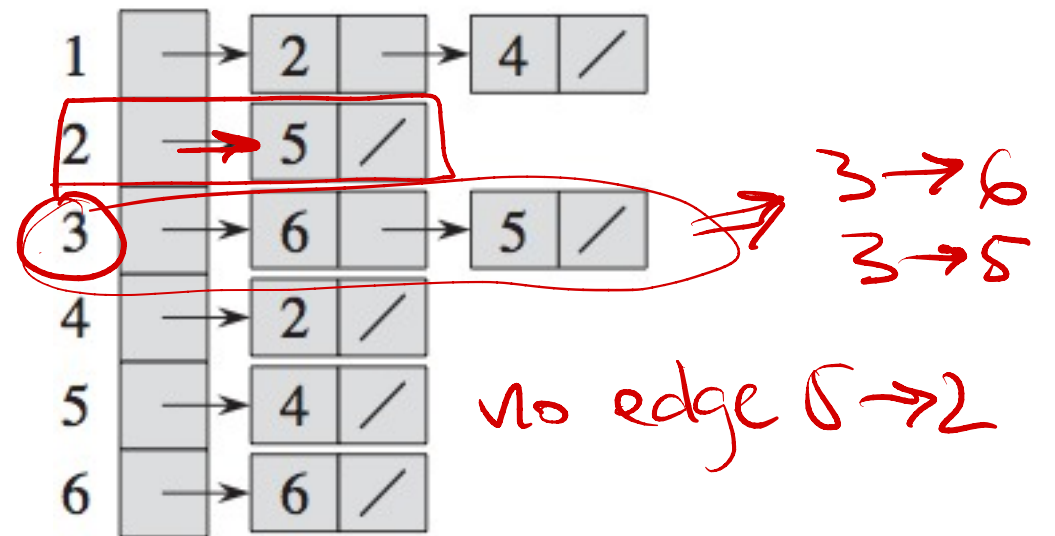


! Find edge (5→2): Traverse Adj-List (5) look for "2"  
Good: Enumerate all vertices w/ incoming edges from 5

- linked list marks all edges starting off a given vertex



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reachable = path  
1→2→5; 1→5

edge(5,2) missing

Where can I go 1 step



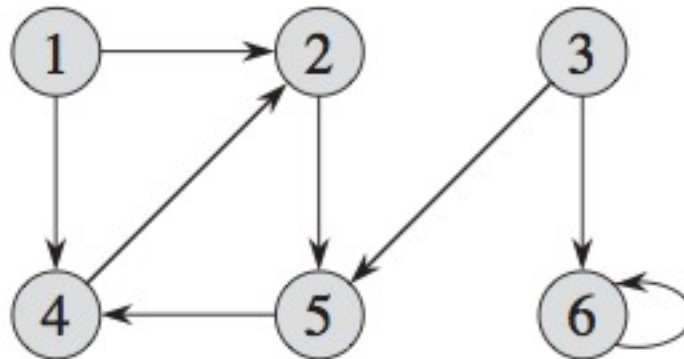
backwards adj list : where can I come from  
1 step.

1	null
2	1 4 null
3	null
4	5 1 null
5	2 3 null
6	3 6 null

# paths and cycles

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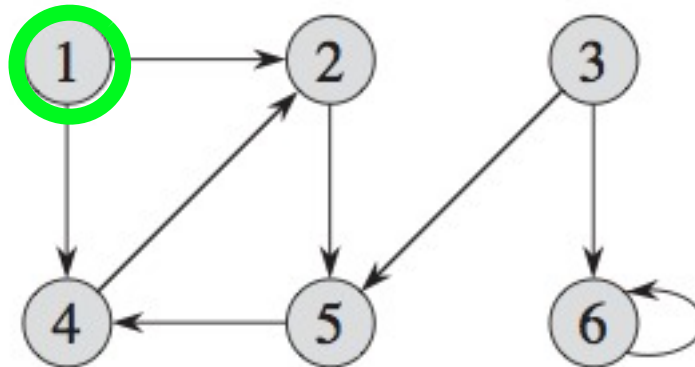
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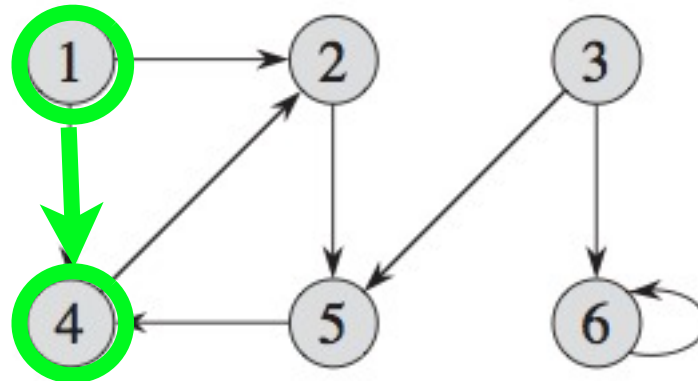
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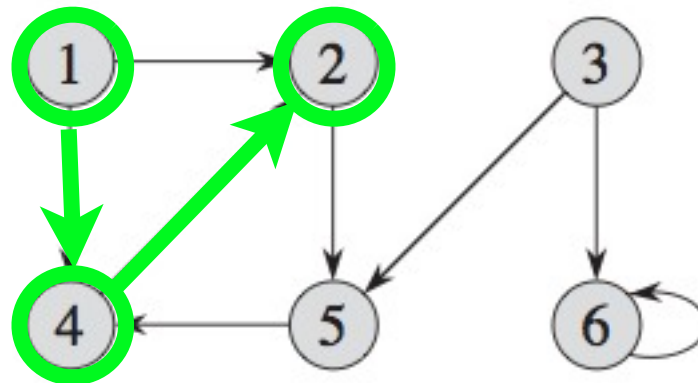
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$1 \rightsquigarrow 2$  two options

$1 \rightarrow 2$

$1 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 2$

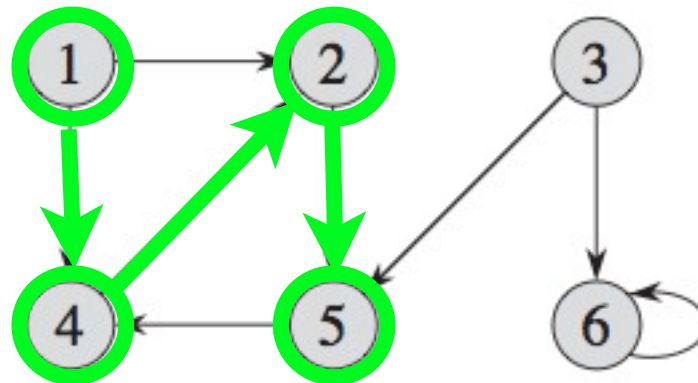
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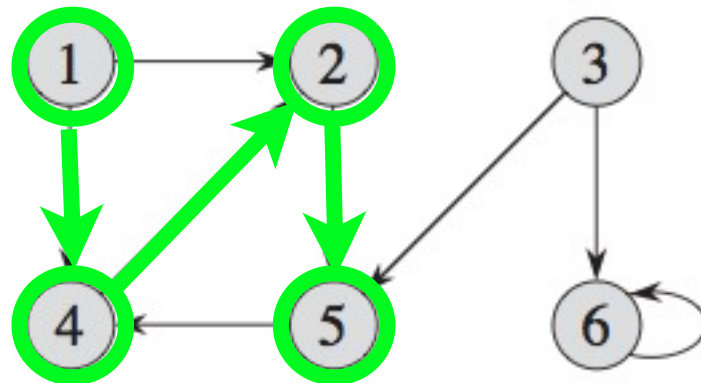
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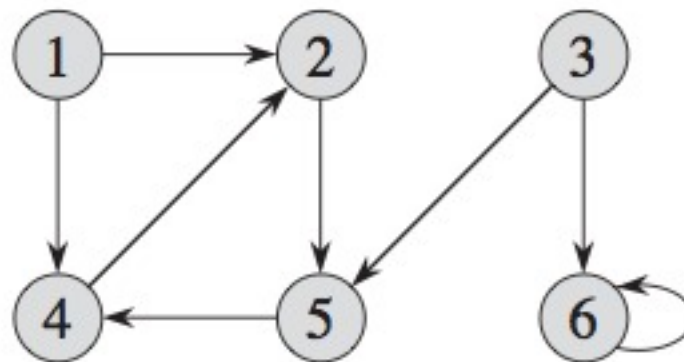
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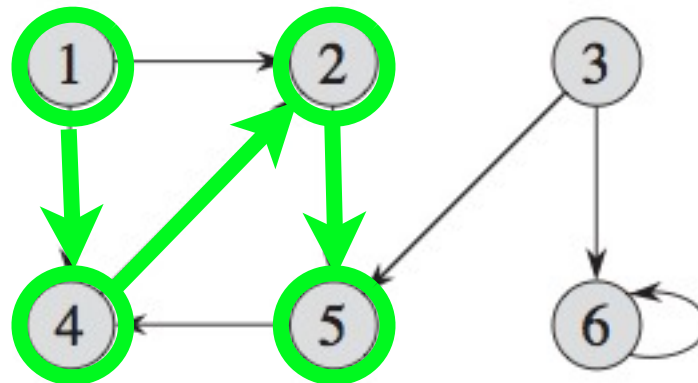


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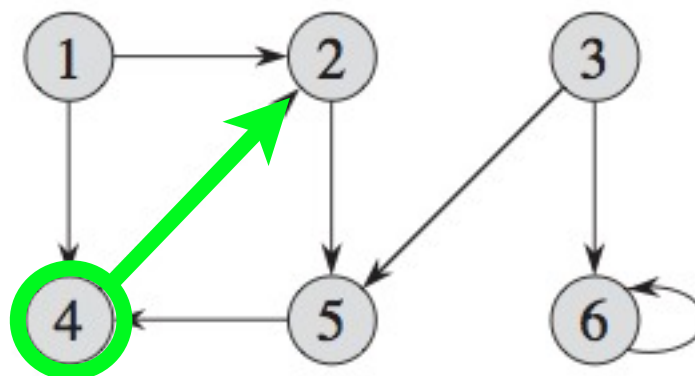
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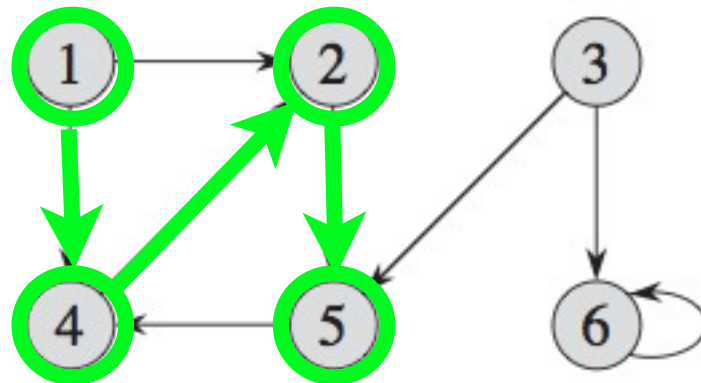


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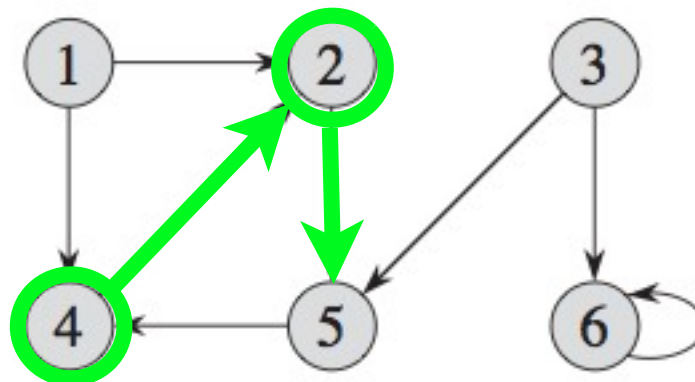
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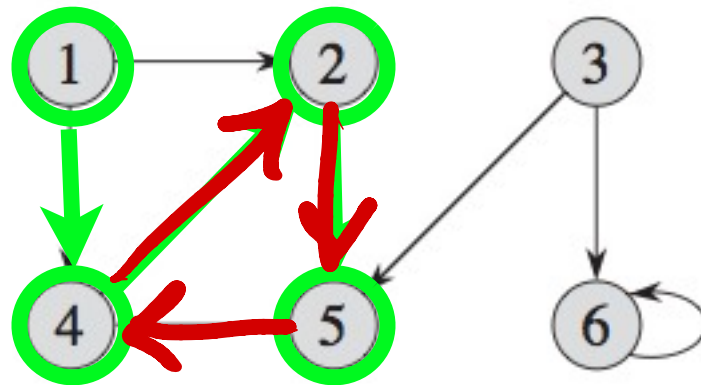


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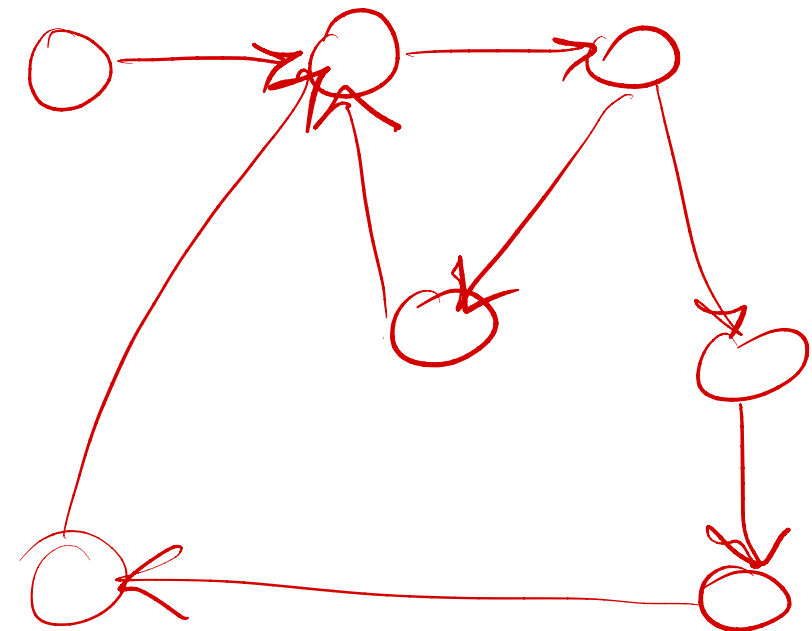
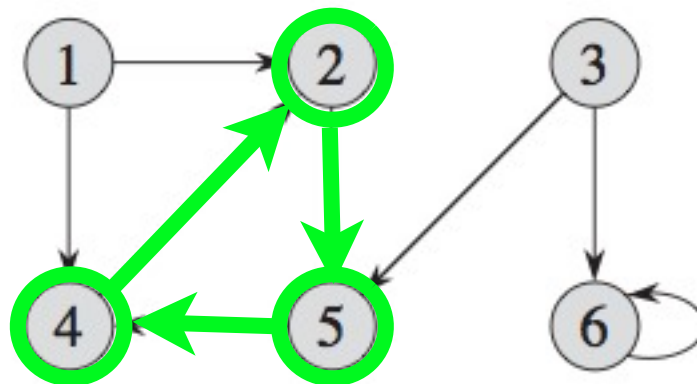
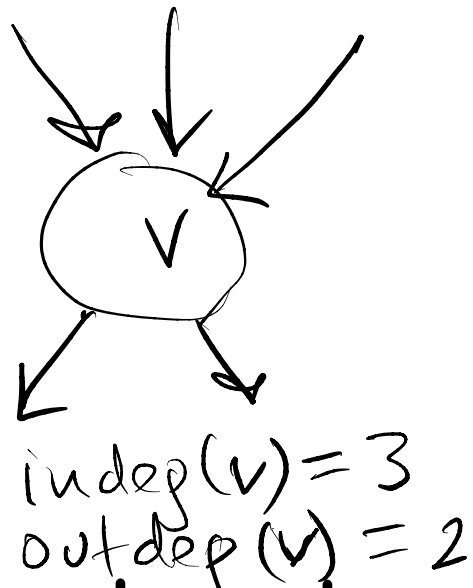
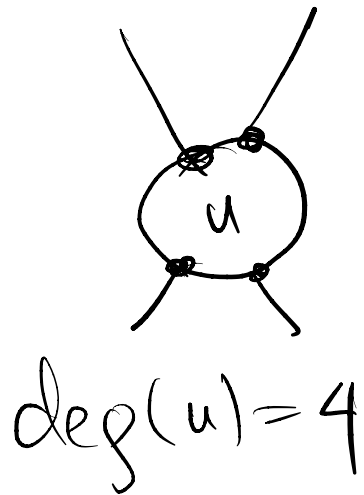
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*(4, 2, 5)  
cycle path that  
ends where it started*

*simple cycle: does  
not repeat vertices*

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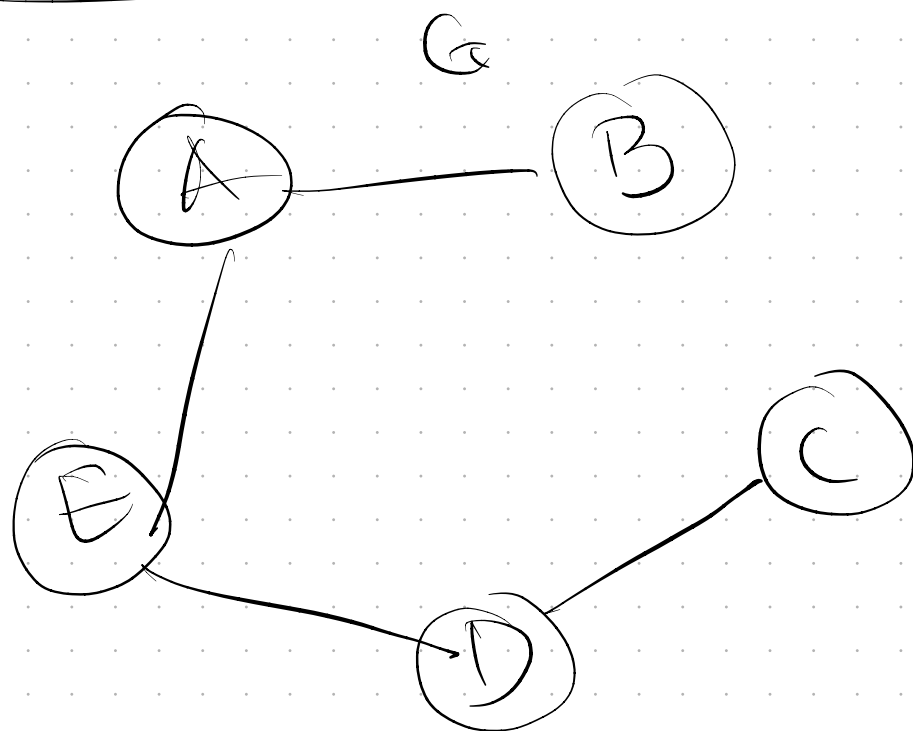
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# Graph Theory examples

$V$  = vertex set  
 $E$  = edge set

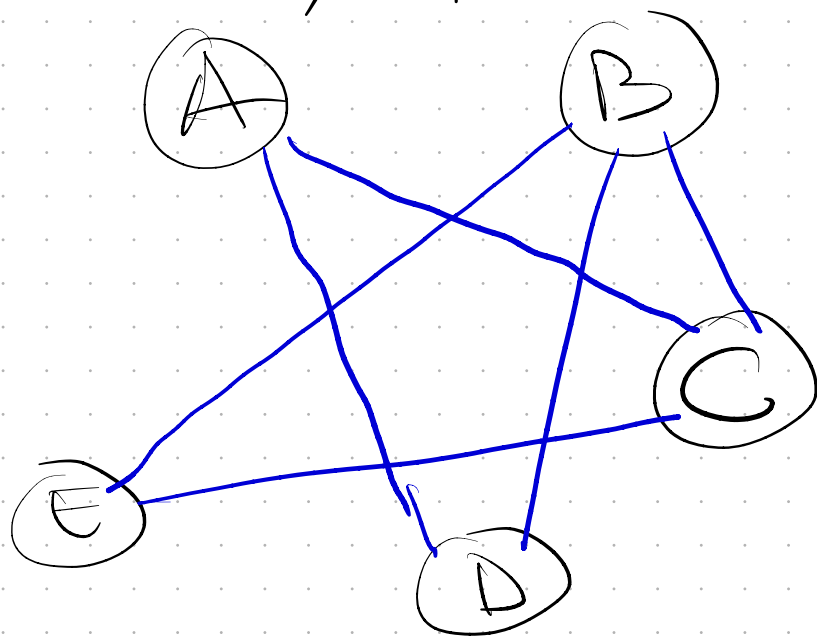
Th  $\sum_{u \in \text{vertices}} \deg(u) = 2 \cdot \# \text{edges}$

$$\sum_{u \in V} \deg(u) = 2|E|$$

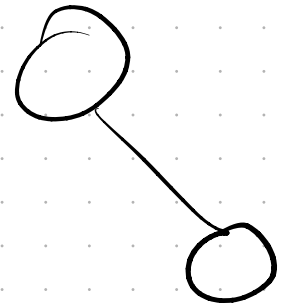
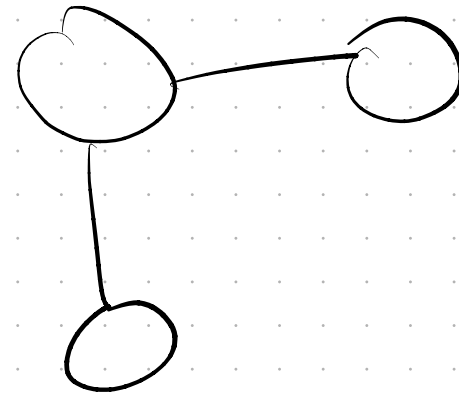
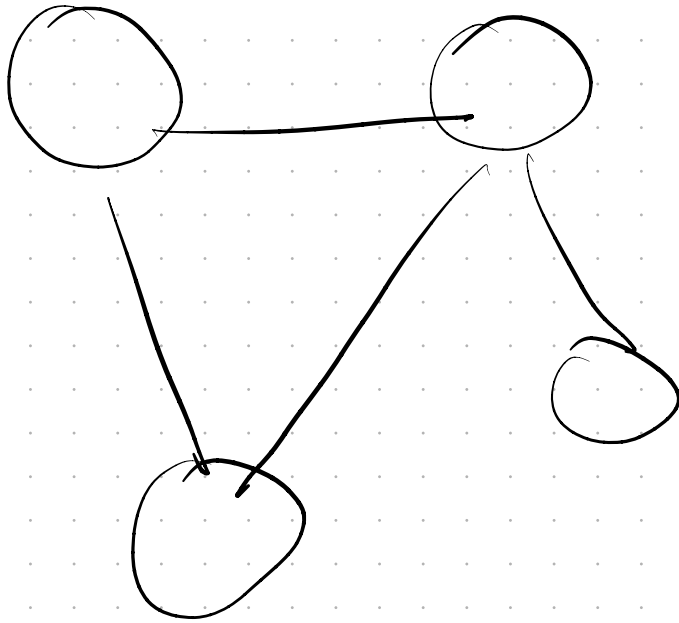


Th  $G$  or  $\overline{G}$  is connected

$\overline{G}$ -complement  
Same  $V$ , opposite edges



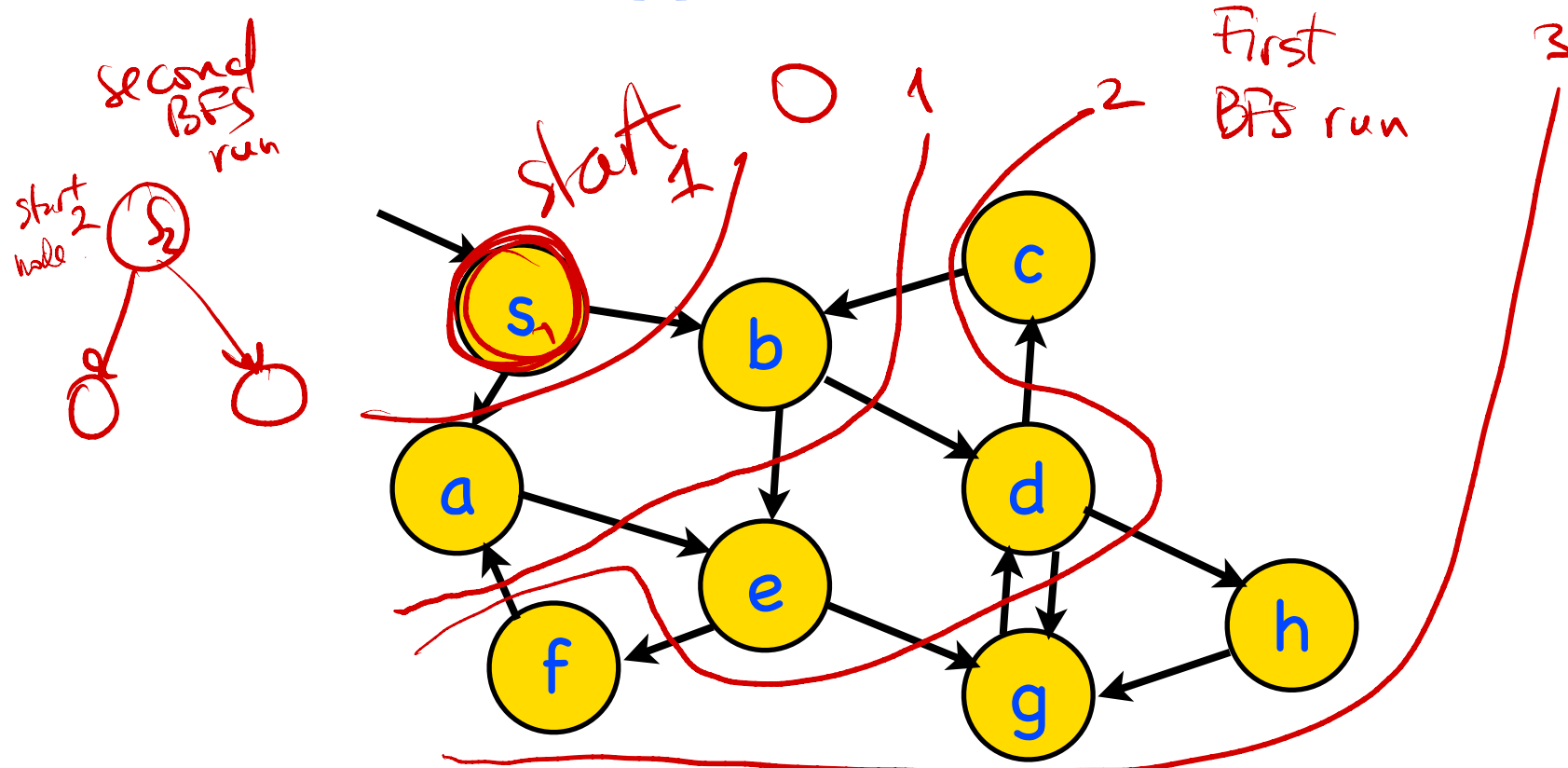
Ex Disconnected Graph : 3 components





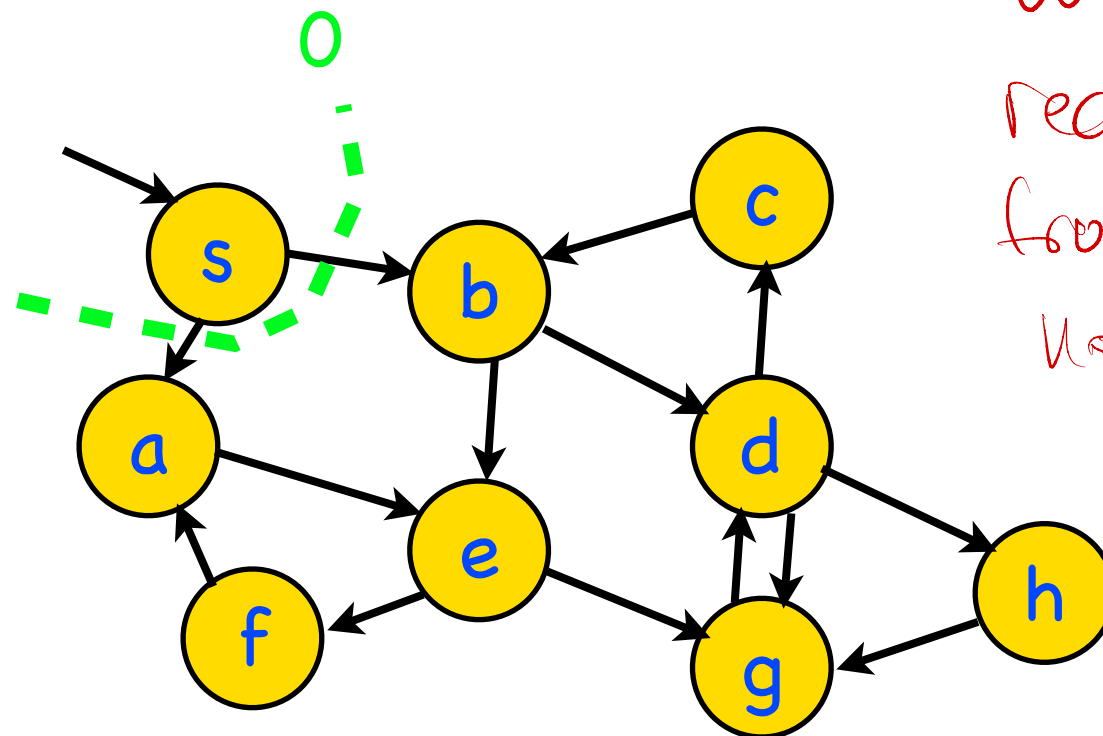
# Traverse/search graphs : BFS

- BFS = breadth-first search.
- Start in a given vertex  $s$ , find all reachable vertices from  $s$ 
  - proceed in waves partition of descendants( $s$ ) nodes reachable from  $s$
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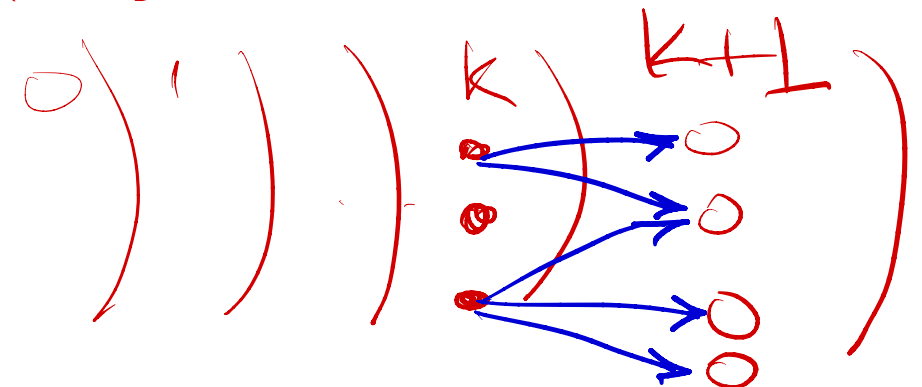


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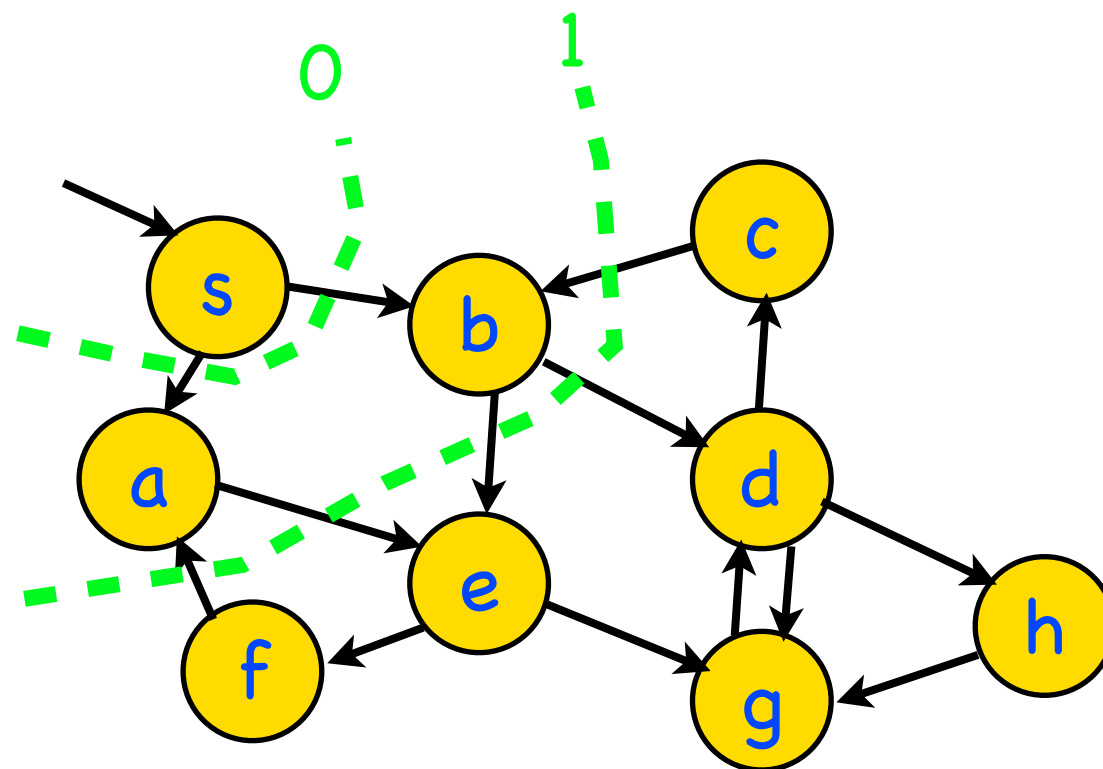
Wave  $k+1$  : all nodes reachable w/direct edge from wave  $k$  nodes, but not earlier



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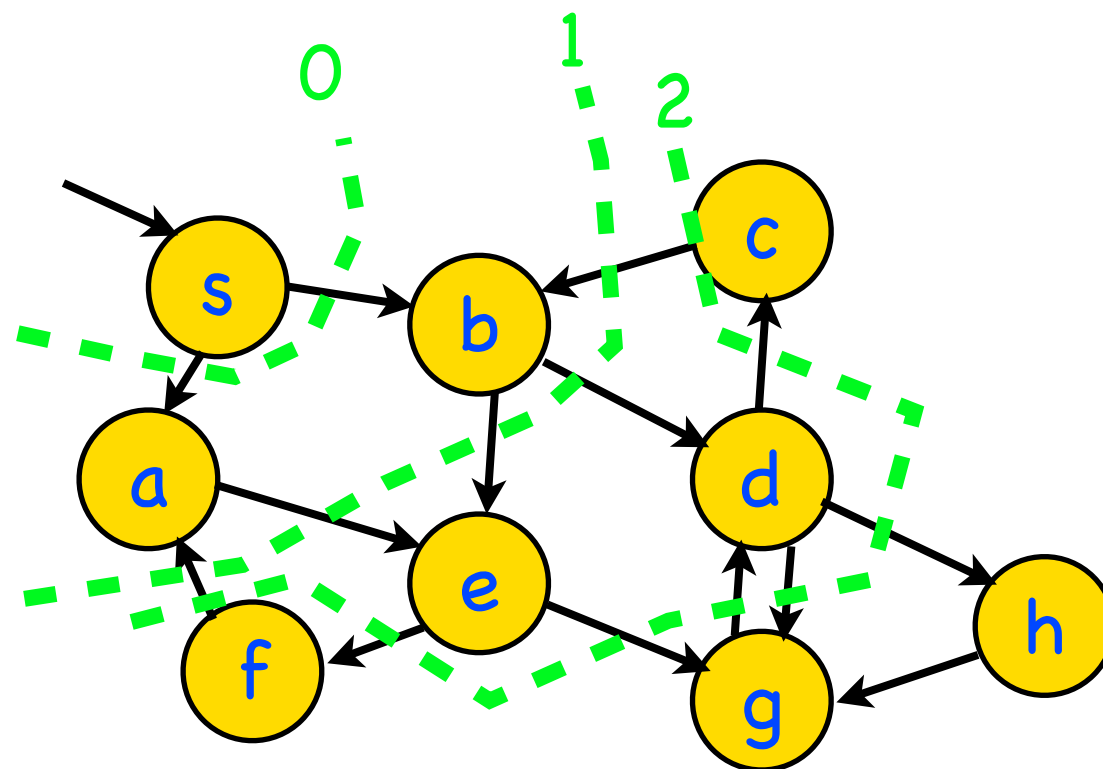
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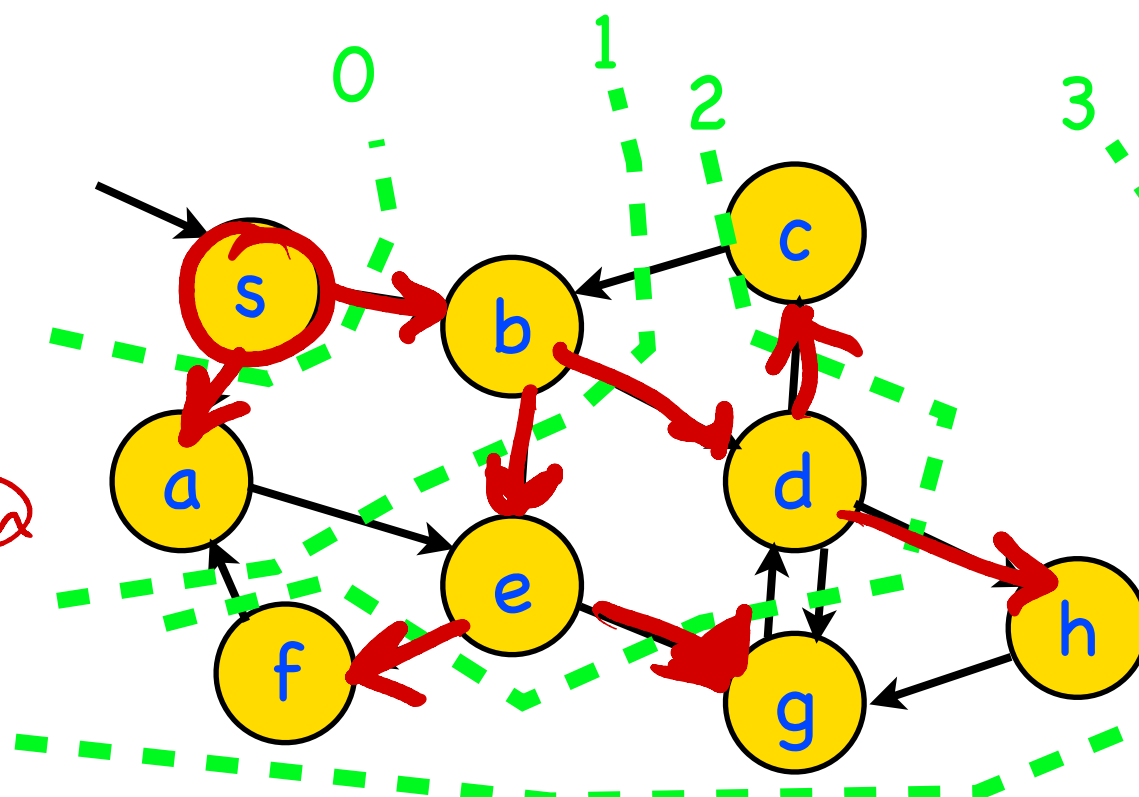
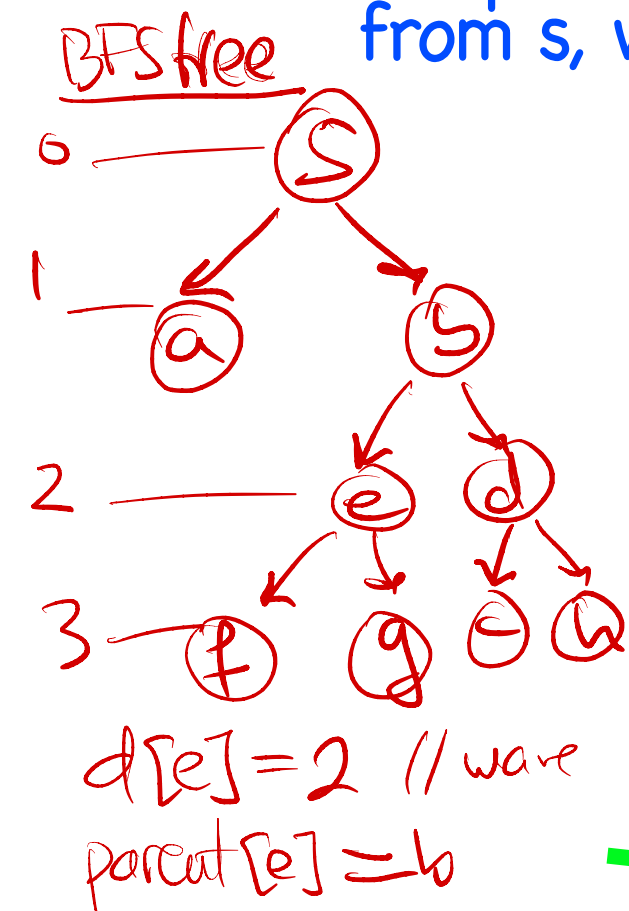
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adv. edge =  
= BFS edge  
= edge  
( $u.\text{parent}$ ,  $u$ )  
 $k$   $k+1$

# BFS

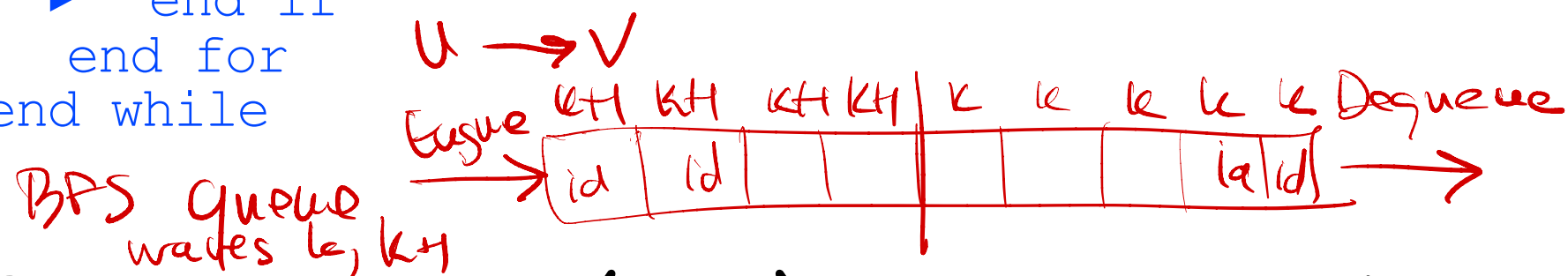
- use a queue to store processed vertices

- for each vertex in the queue, follow adj matrix to get vertices of the next wave

- ▶ BFS (V, E, s)
- ▶ for each vertex  $v \neq s$ , set  $d[v] = \infty$
- ▶ init queue Q; enqueue(Q, s) // puts s in the queue
- ▶ while Q not empty
  - ▶  $u = \text{dequeue}(S)$  // takes the first elem available from the queue
  - ▶ for each vertex  $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$ 
    - ▶ if  $(d[v] == \infty)$  then
      - ▶  $d[v] = d[u] + 1$
      - ▶ Enqueue(Q, v)
    - ▶ end if
  - ▶ end for
- ▶ end while

BFS

$$\underline{d[v] = \text{wave}(v)}$$



- Running time  $O(V+E)$ , since each edge and vertex is considered once.



# Traverse/search graphs : DFS

## ● DFS = depth-first search : go as far as possible on some direction/branch

- once a vertex is discovered, proceed to its adj vertices, or “children”(depth) rather than to its “brothers”(breadth)

DFS-wrapper (V, E)

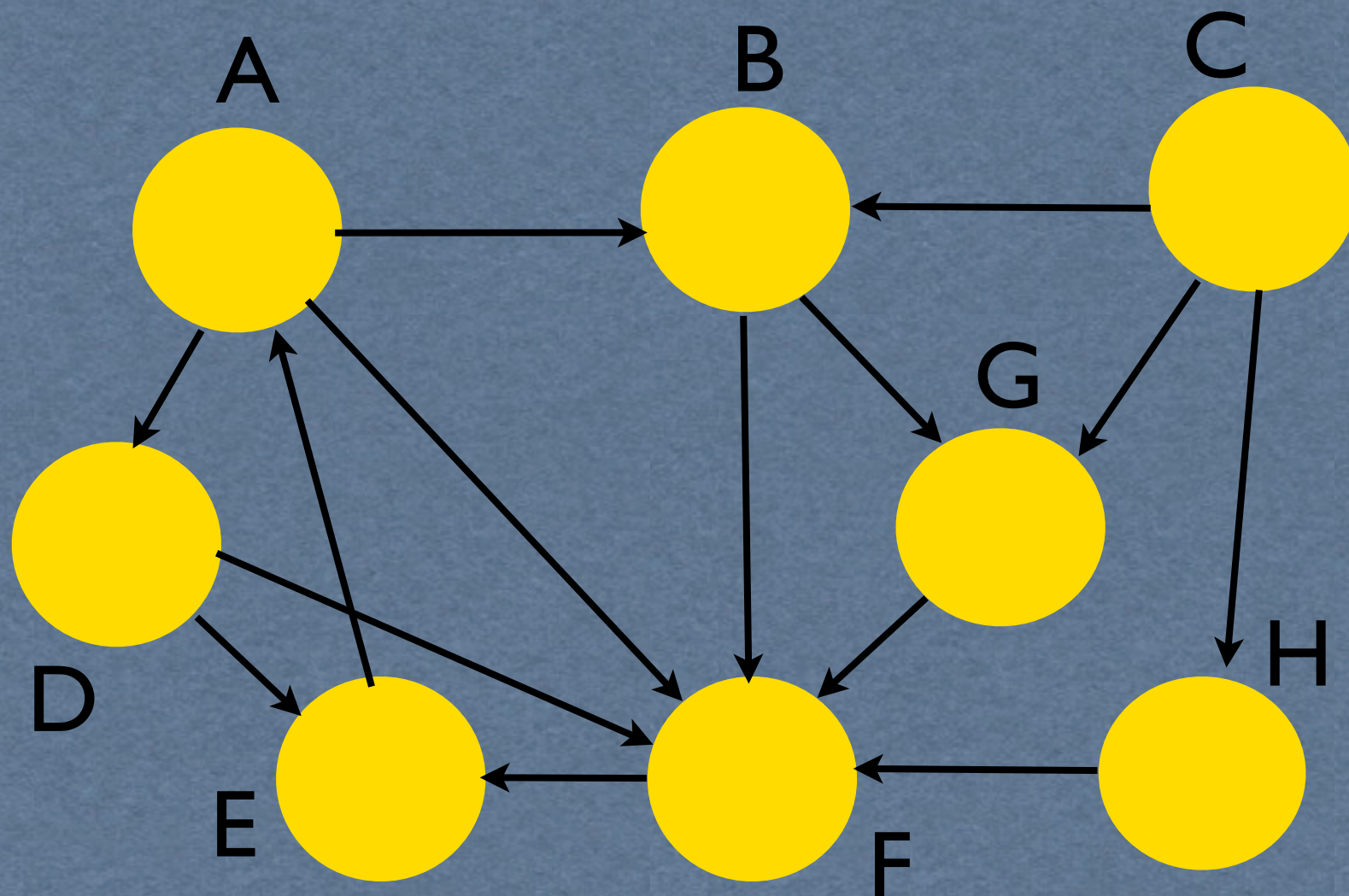
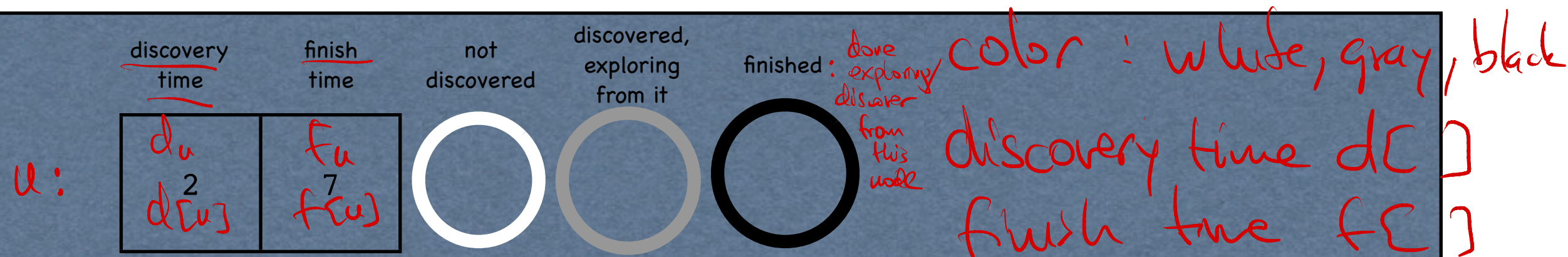
- ▶ foreach vertex  $u \in V$  {color[u] = white} end for //color all nodes white
- ▶ foreach vertex  $u \in V$ 
  - ▶ if (color[u]==white) then DFS-Visit(u)
- end for

DFS-Visit(u) //recursive function

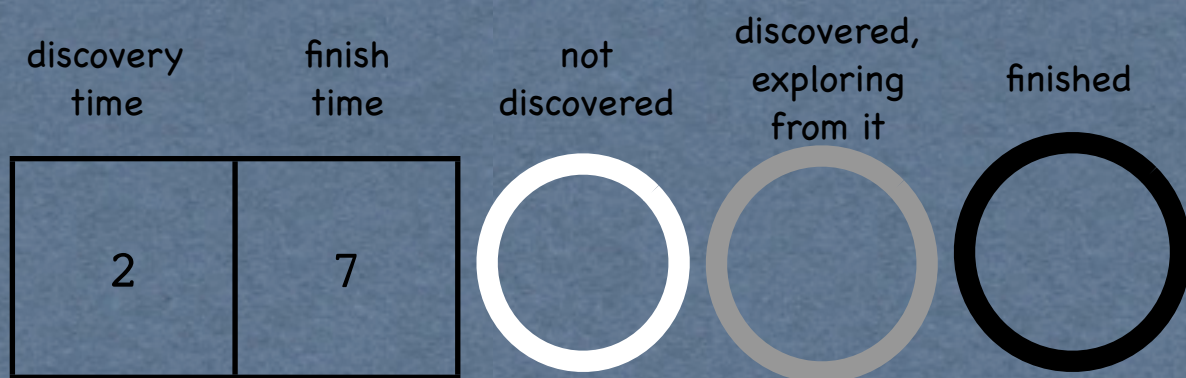
- ▶ color[u] = gray; //gray means “exploring from this node”
- ▶ time++; discover\_time[u] = time; //discover time
- ▶ for each  $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$ 
  - ▶ if (color[v]==white) then DFS-Visit(v) //explore from u
- end for
- ▶ color[u] = black; finish\_time[u]=time; //finish time

$v = \text{discovered from } u$   
 $v \text{ closed before } u$   
 $f_v < f_u$

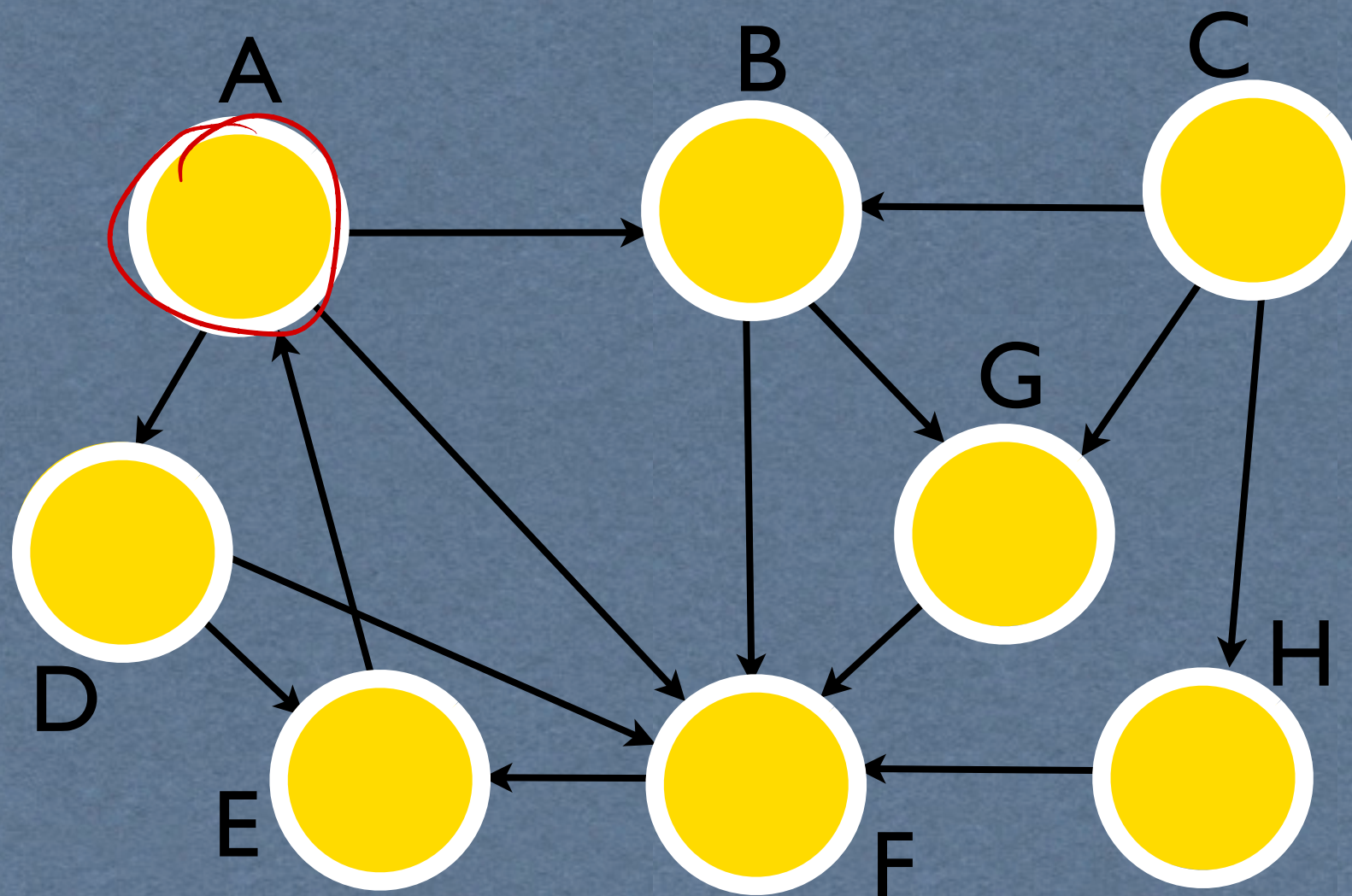
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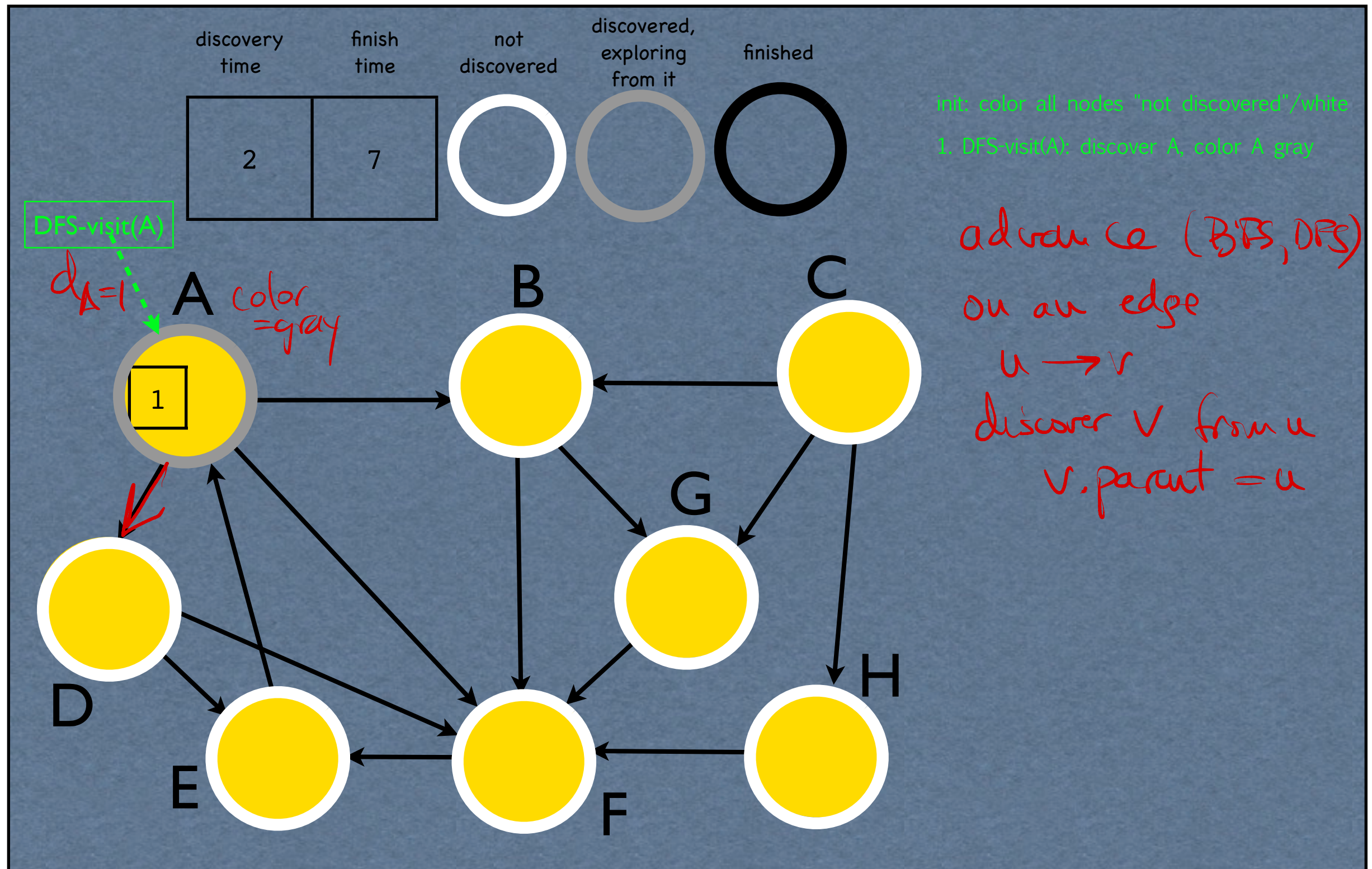


init: color all nodes "not discovered"/white

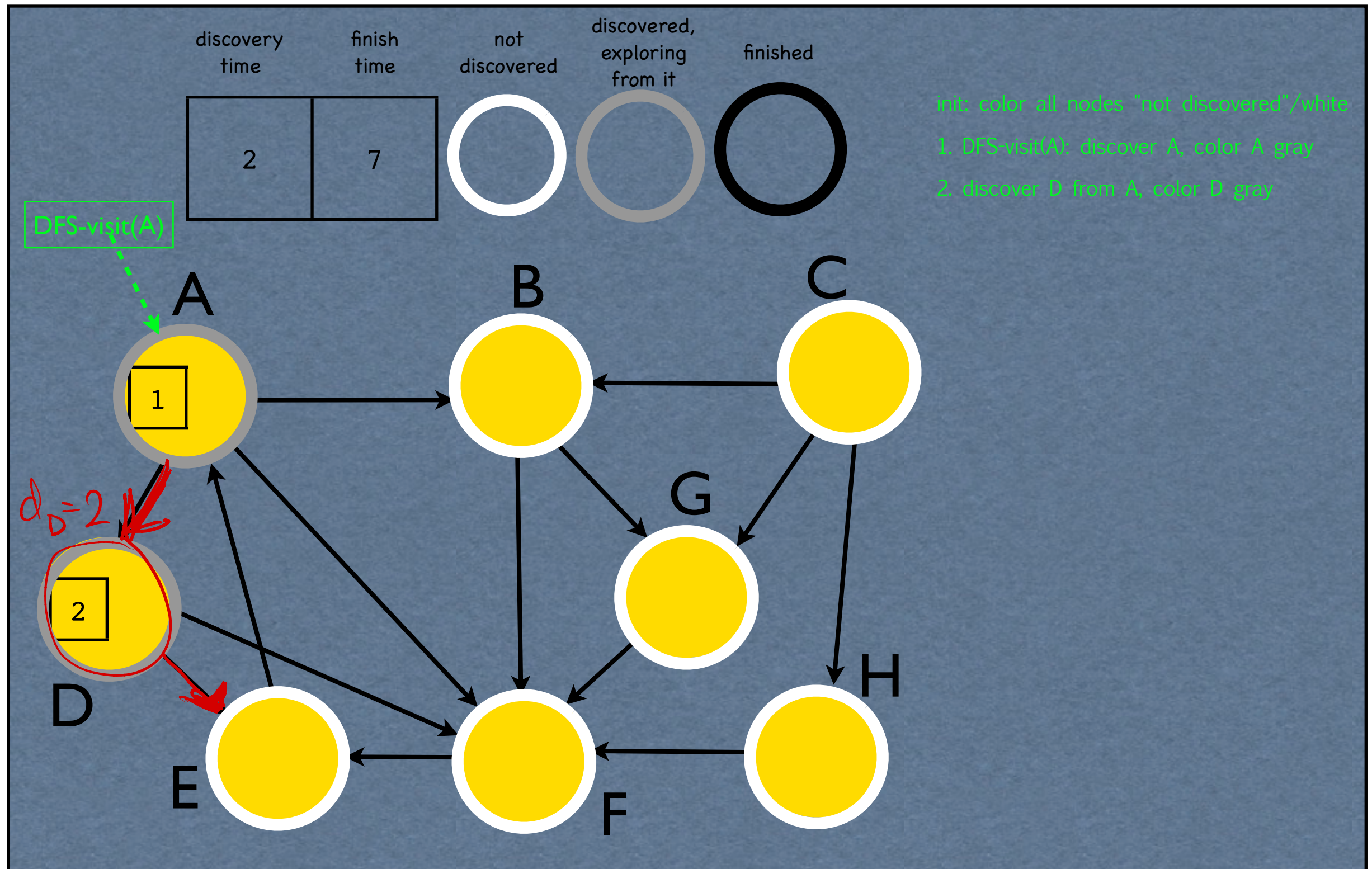




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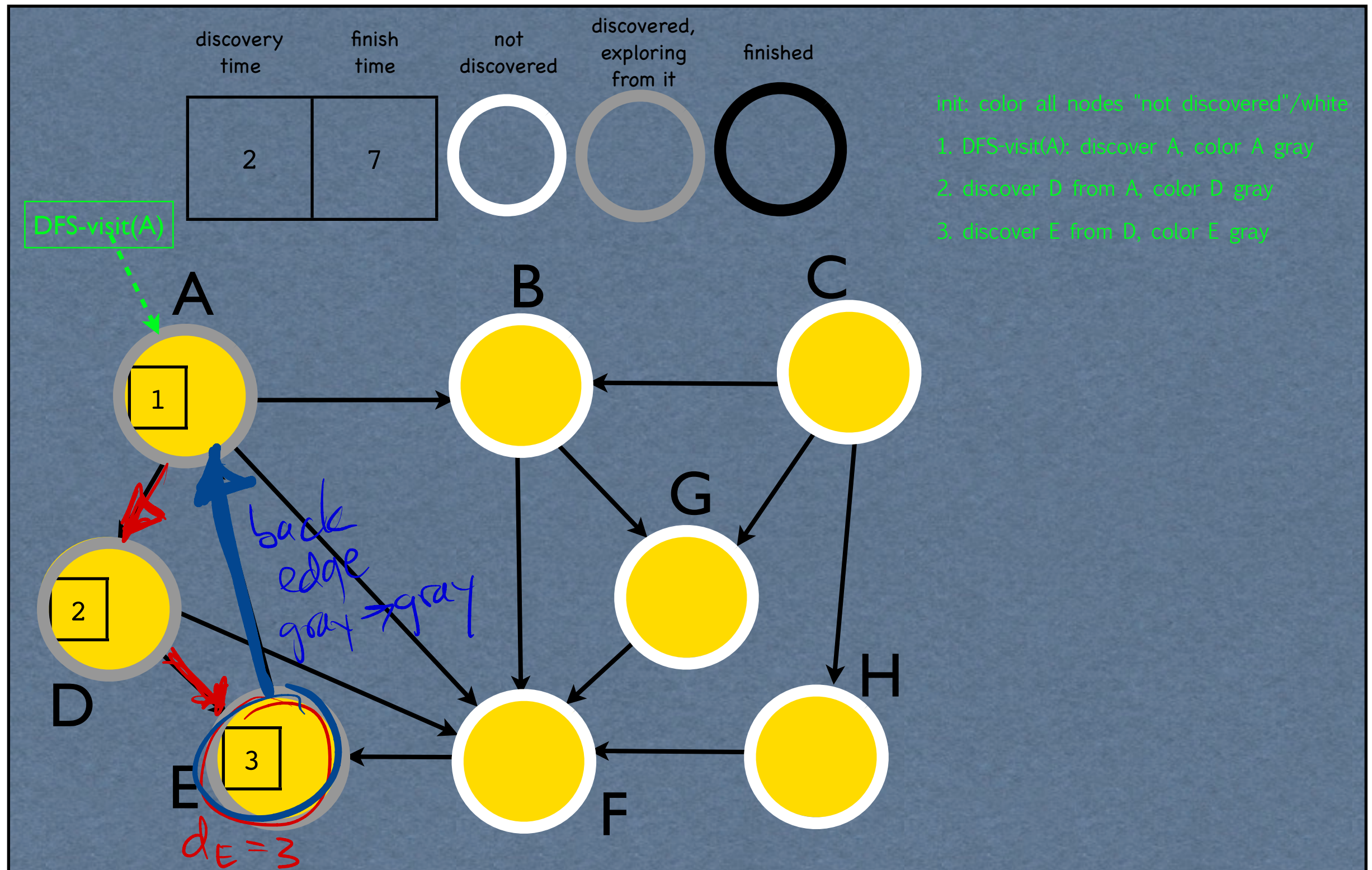


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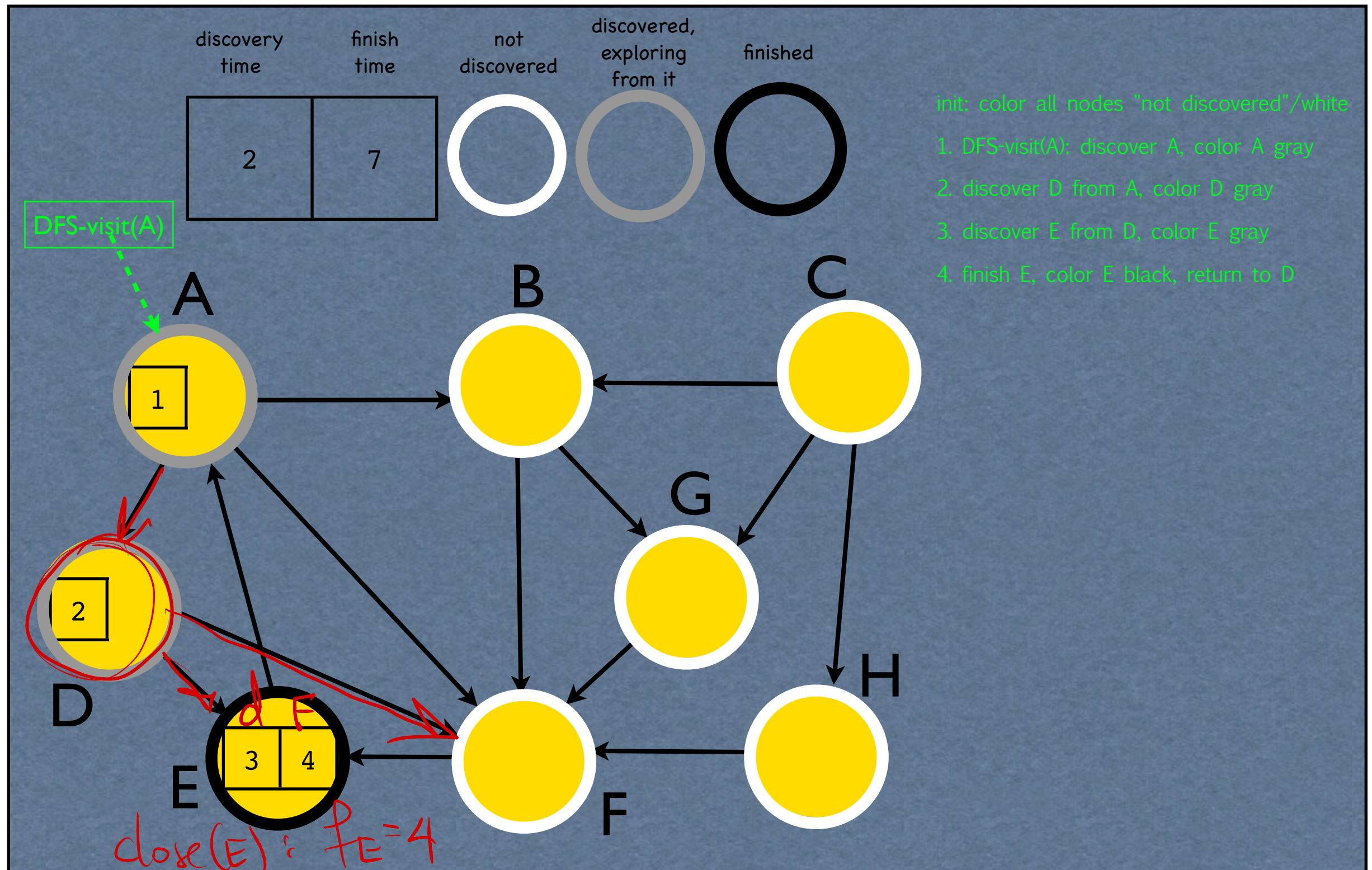


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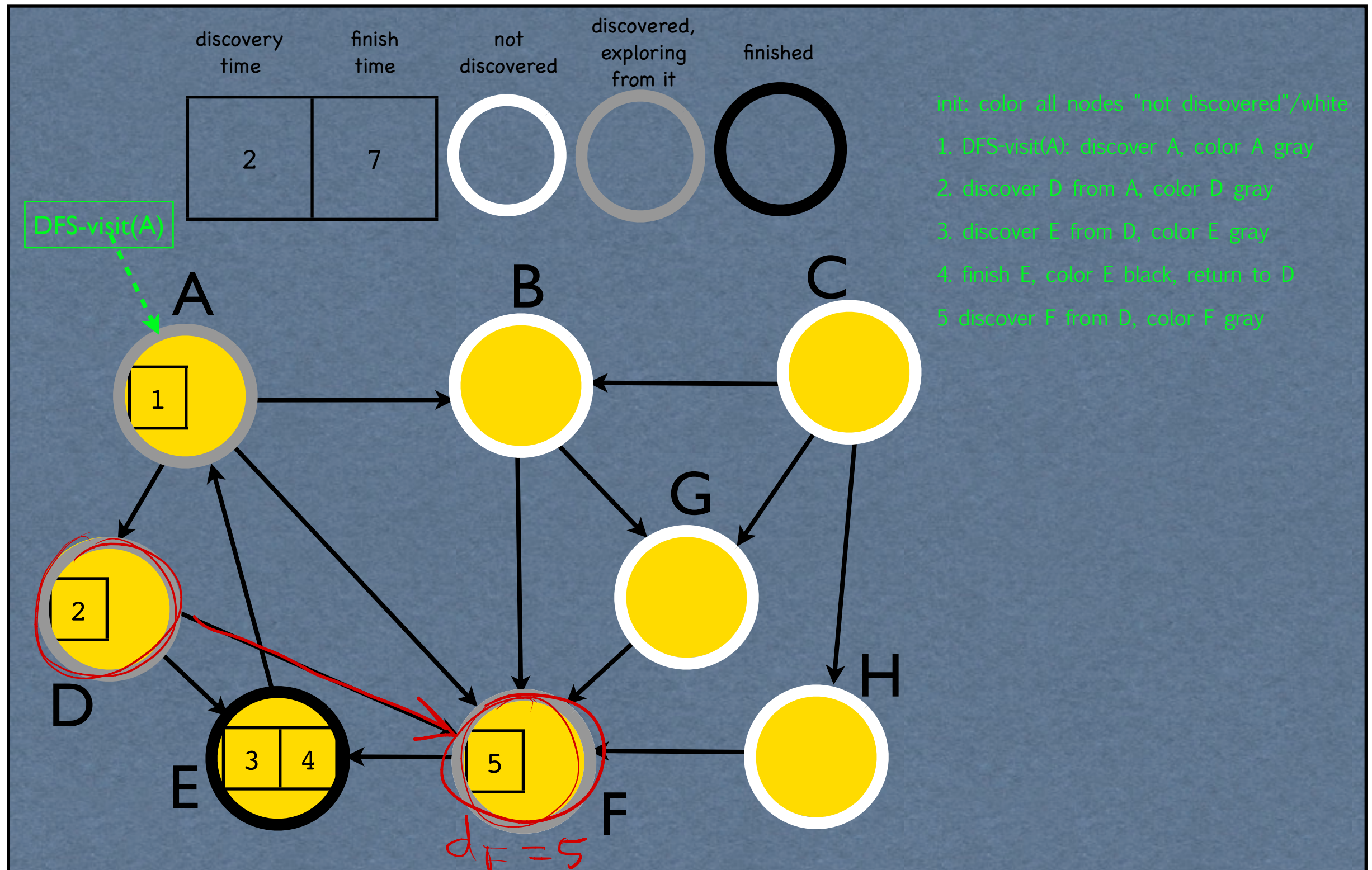




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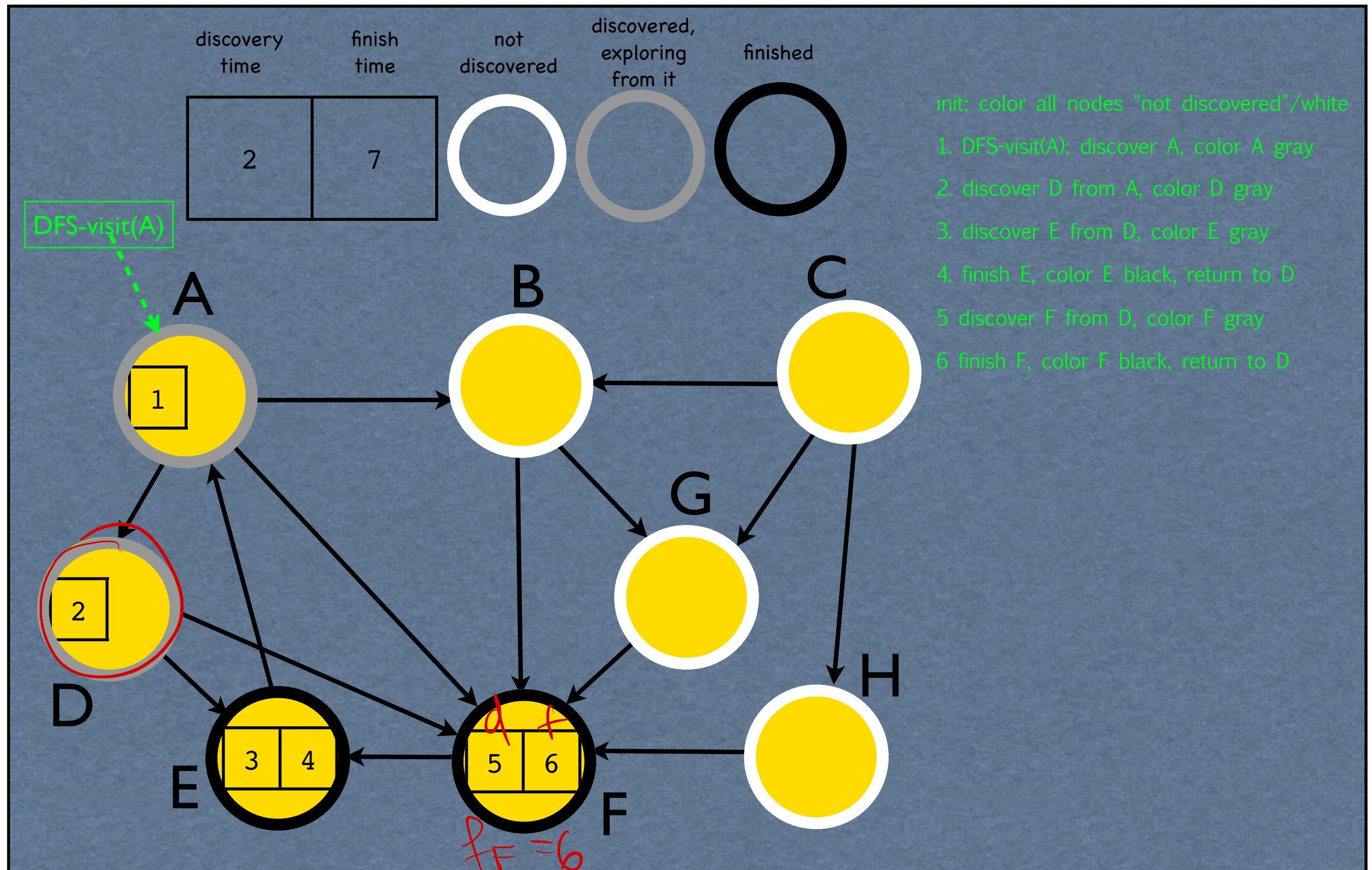


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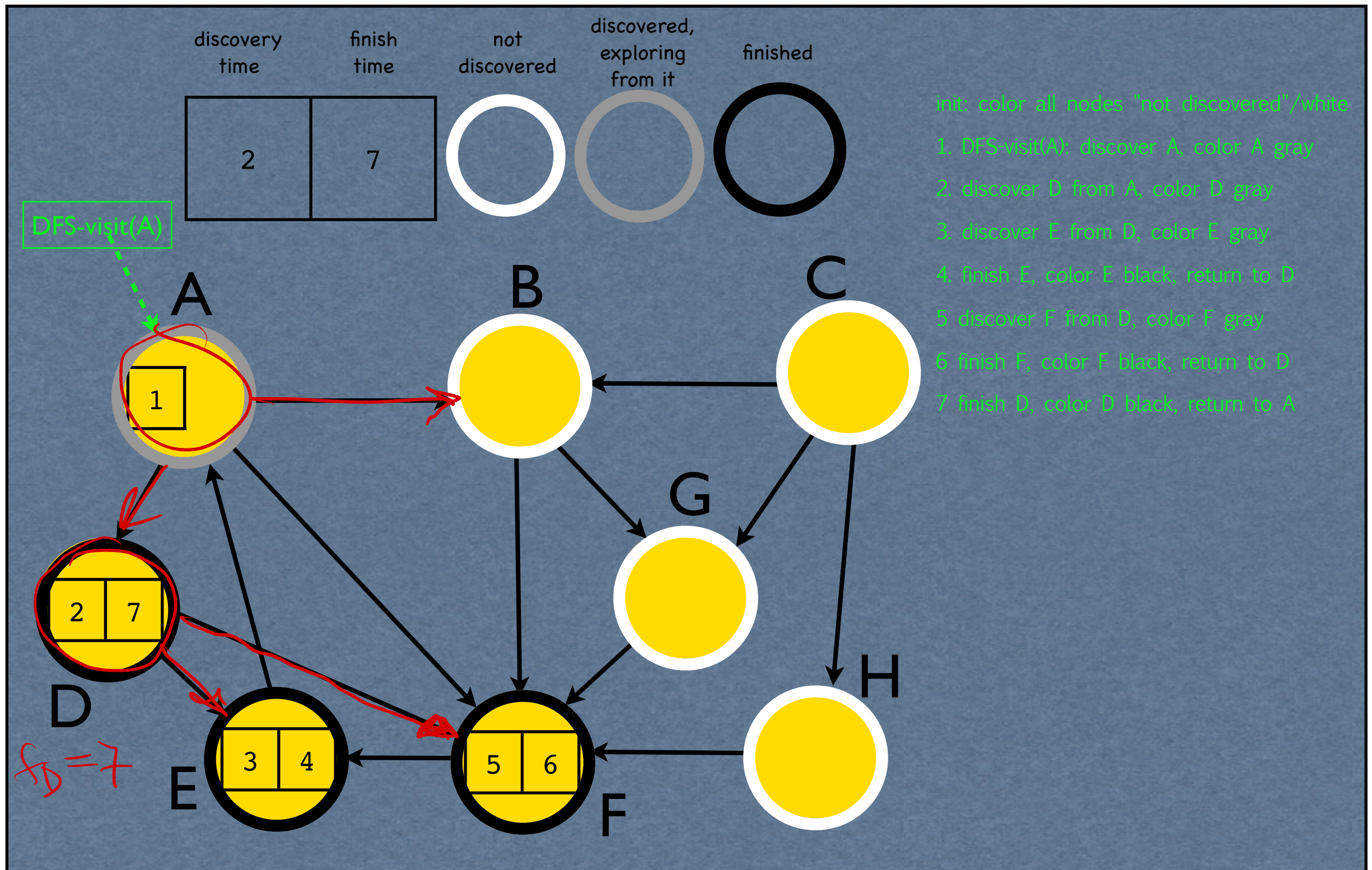




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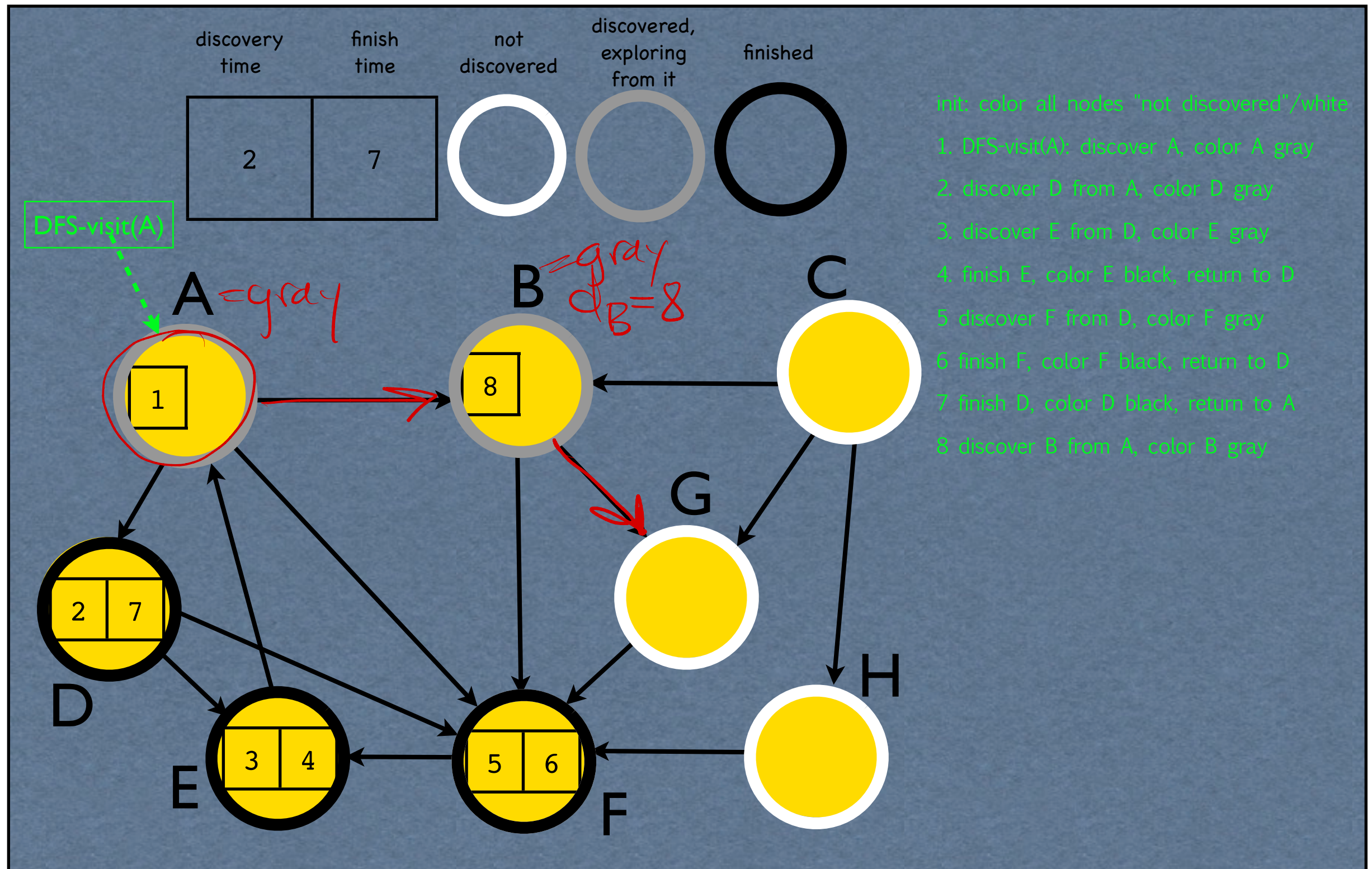


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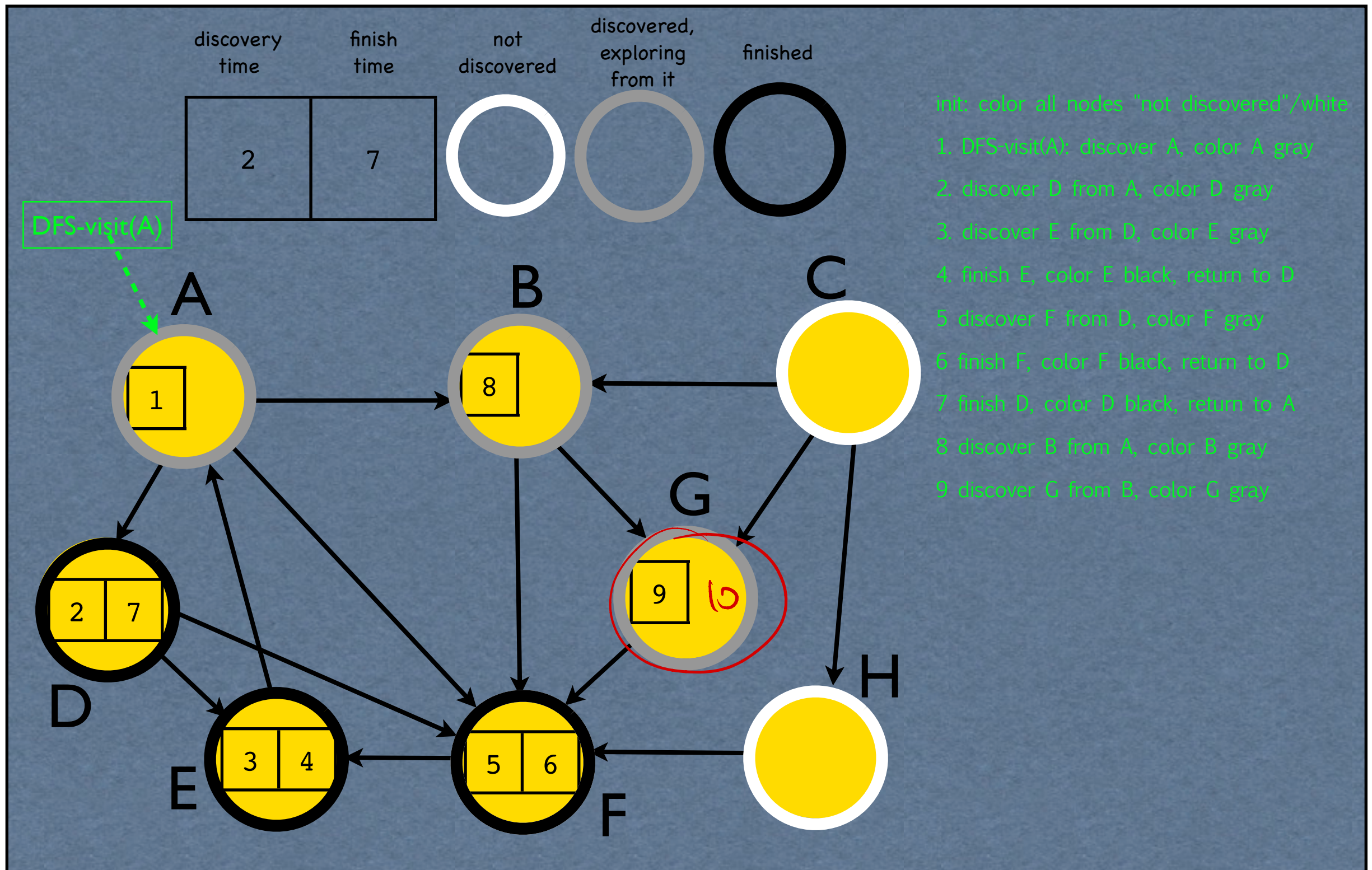




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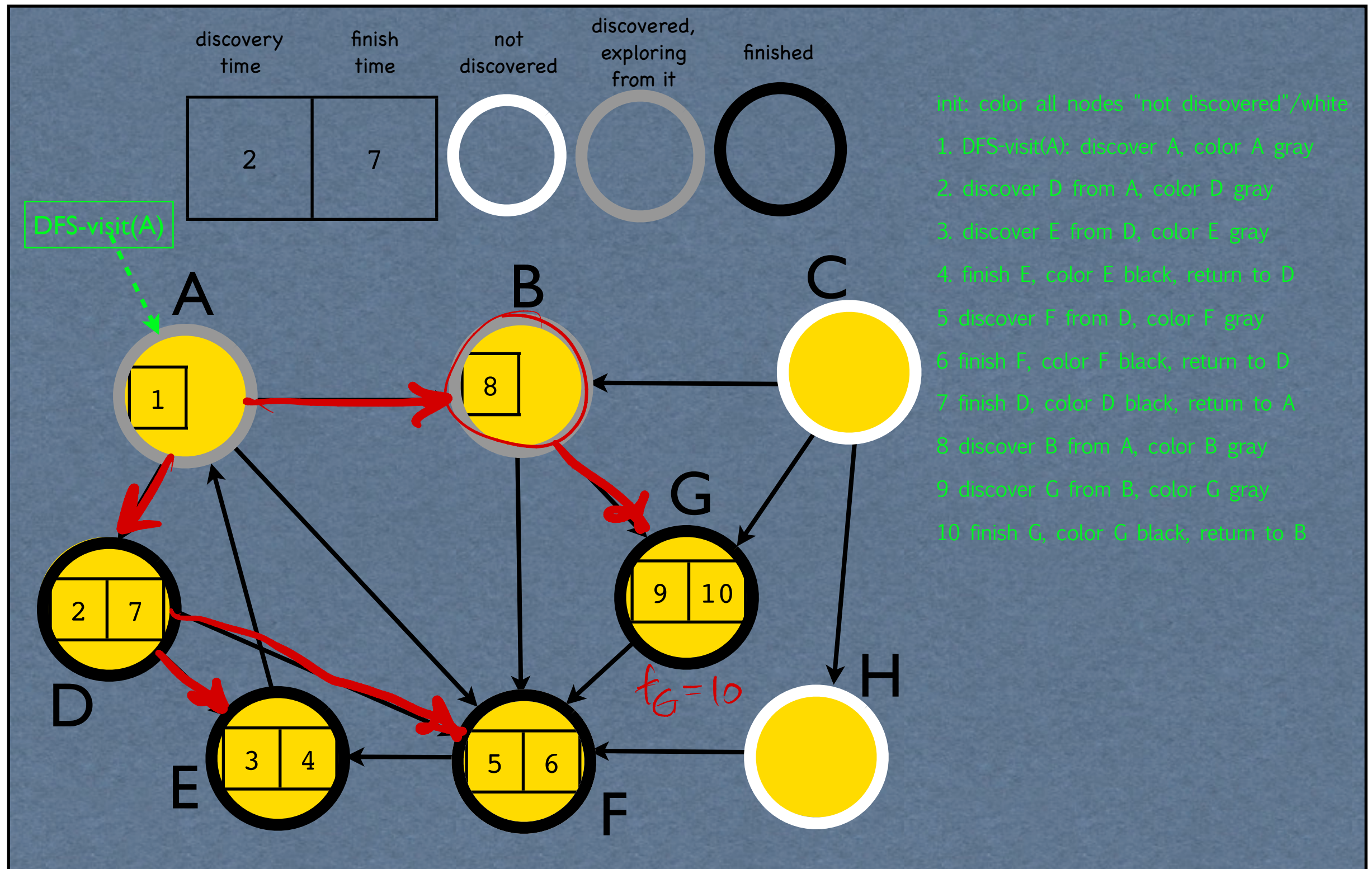


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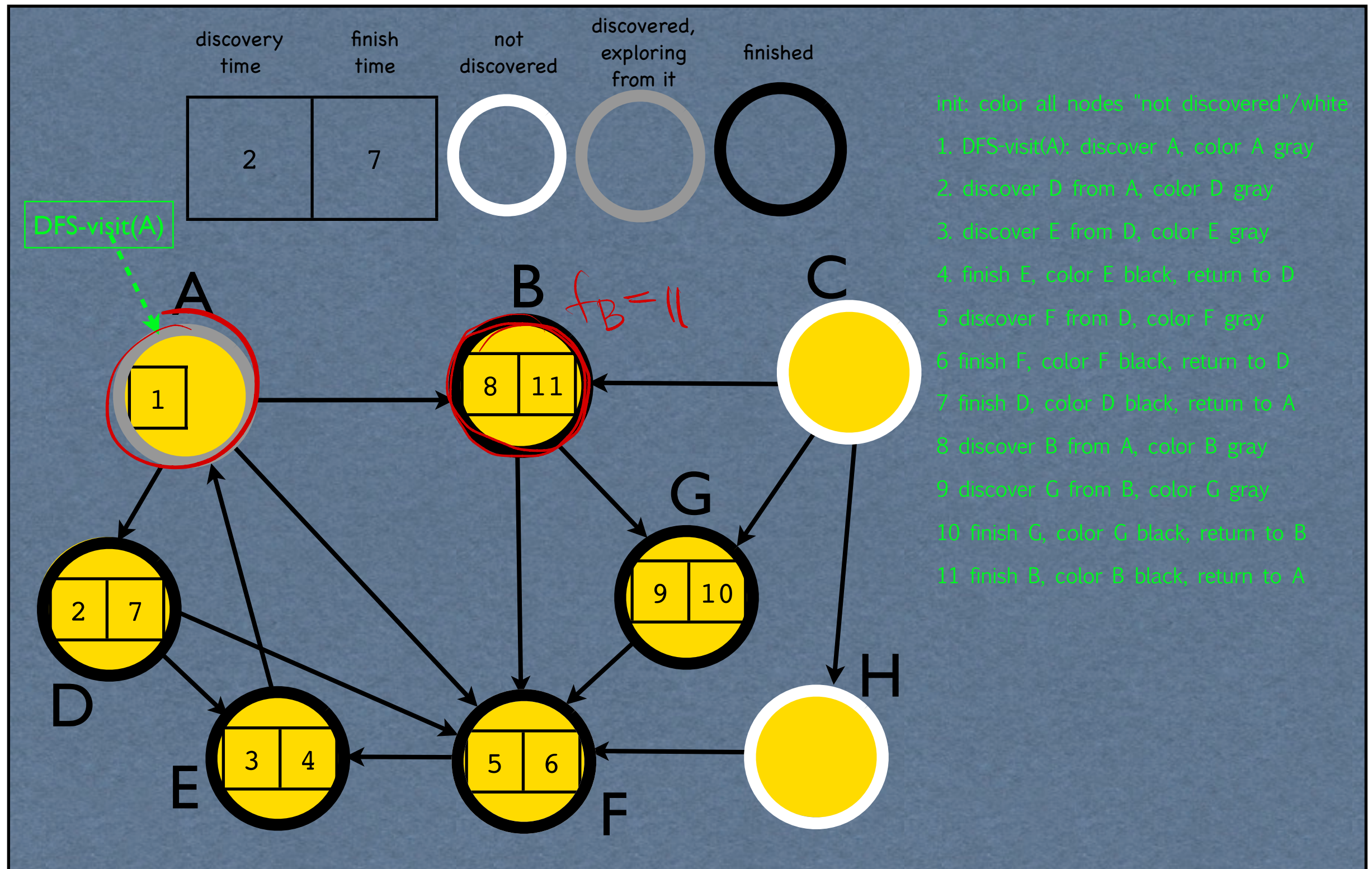


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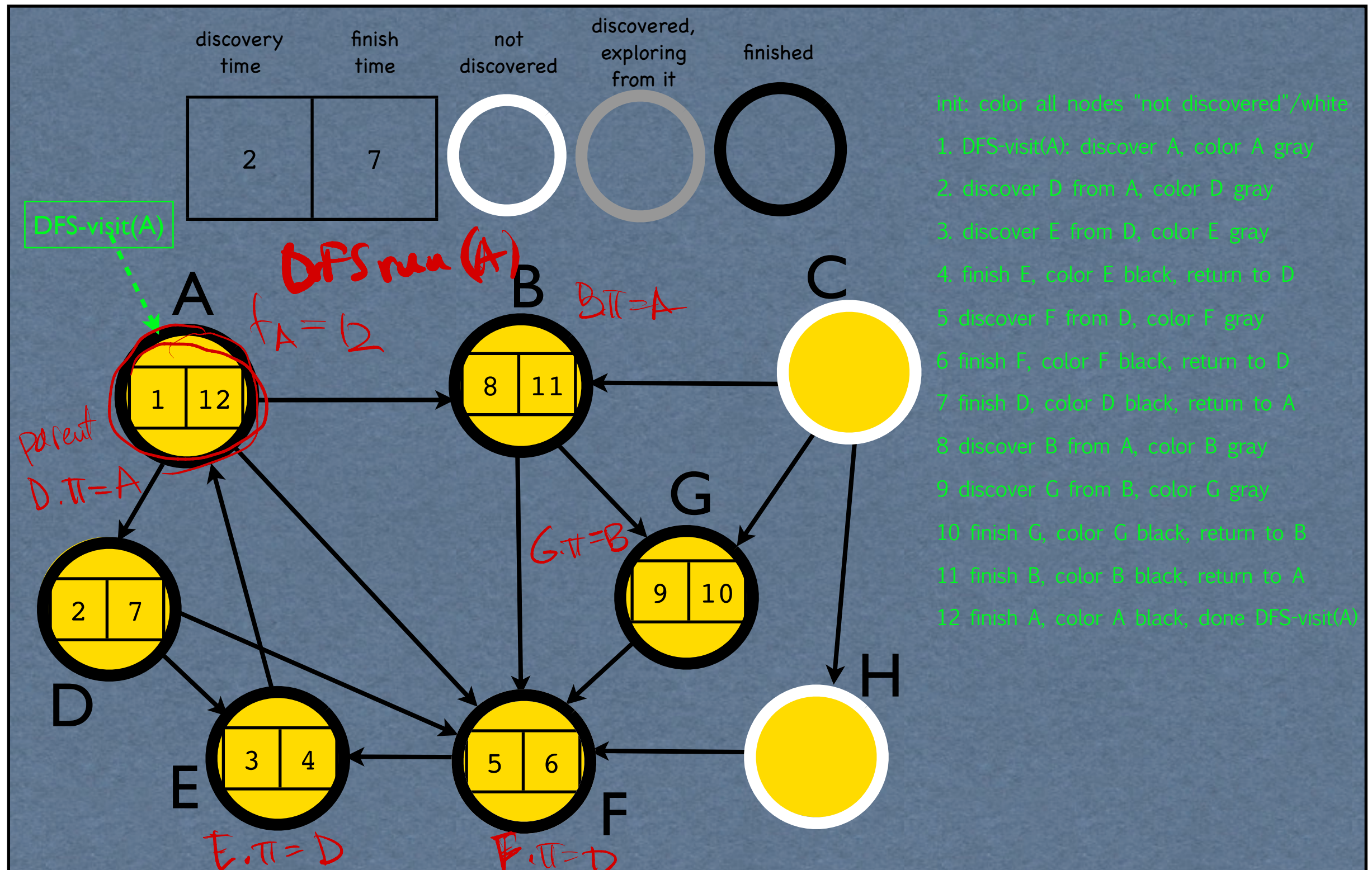




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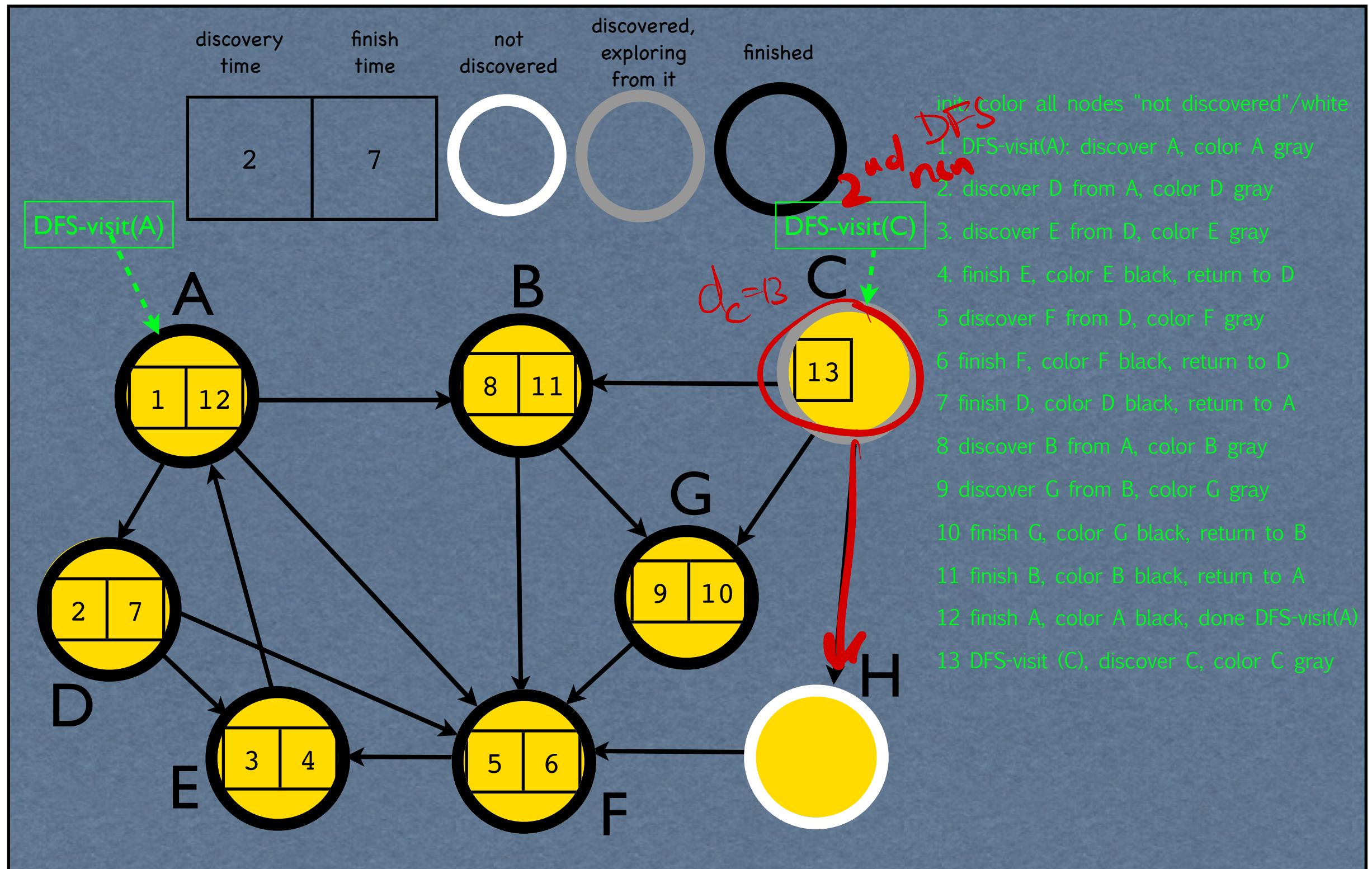


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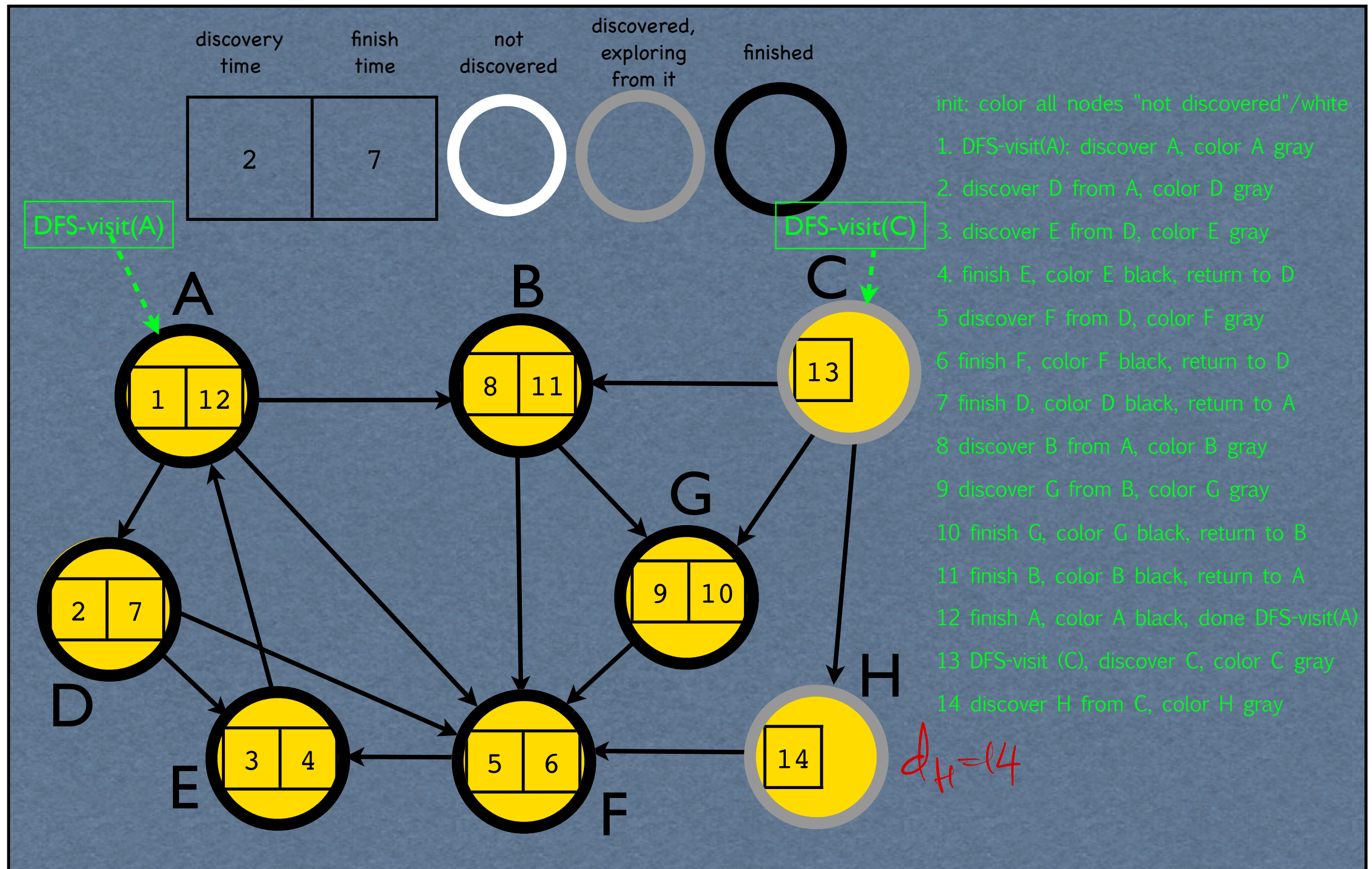




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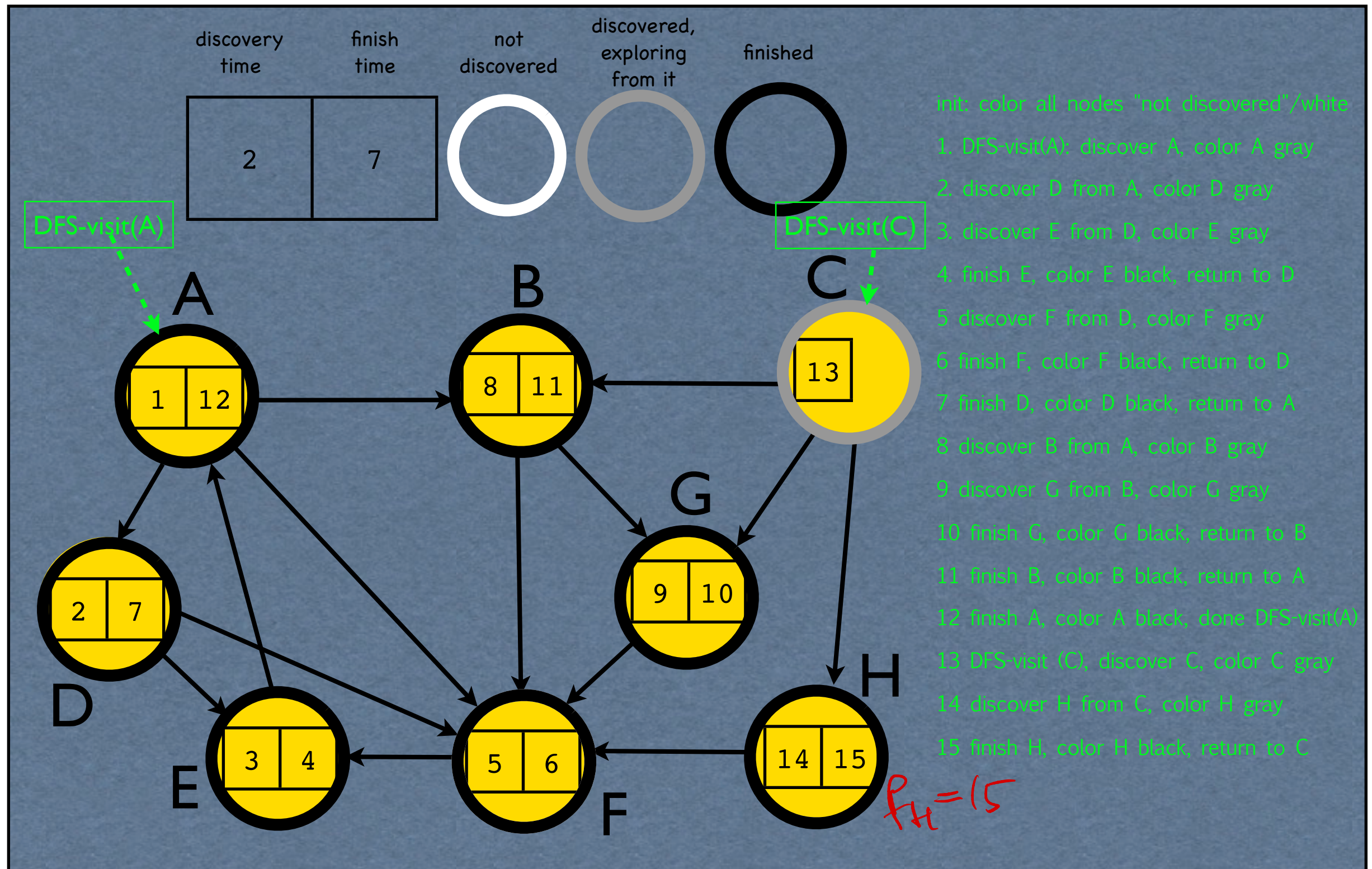


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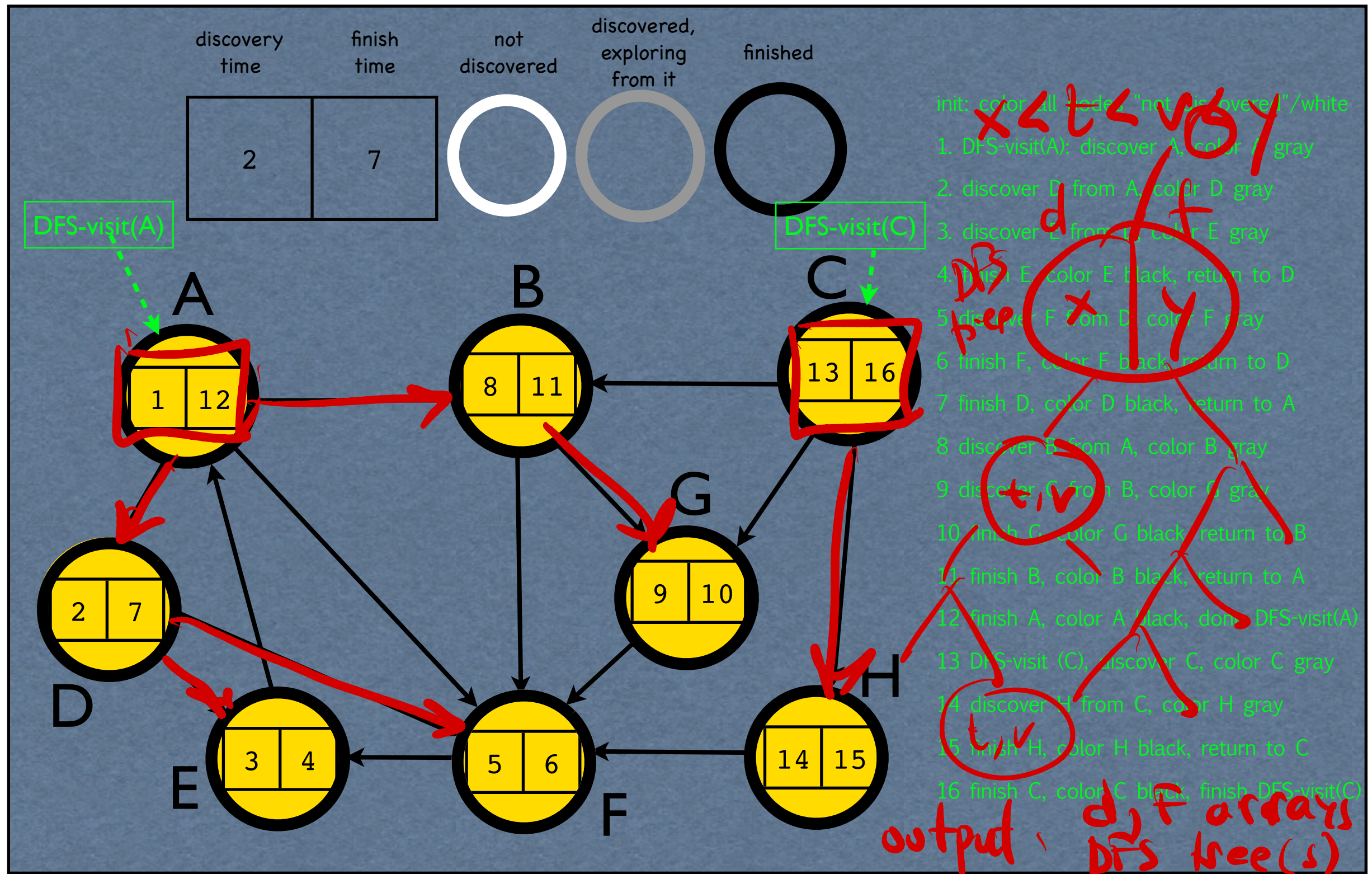


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$O(E)$   
 $O(E + V)$





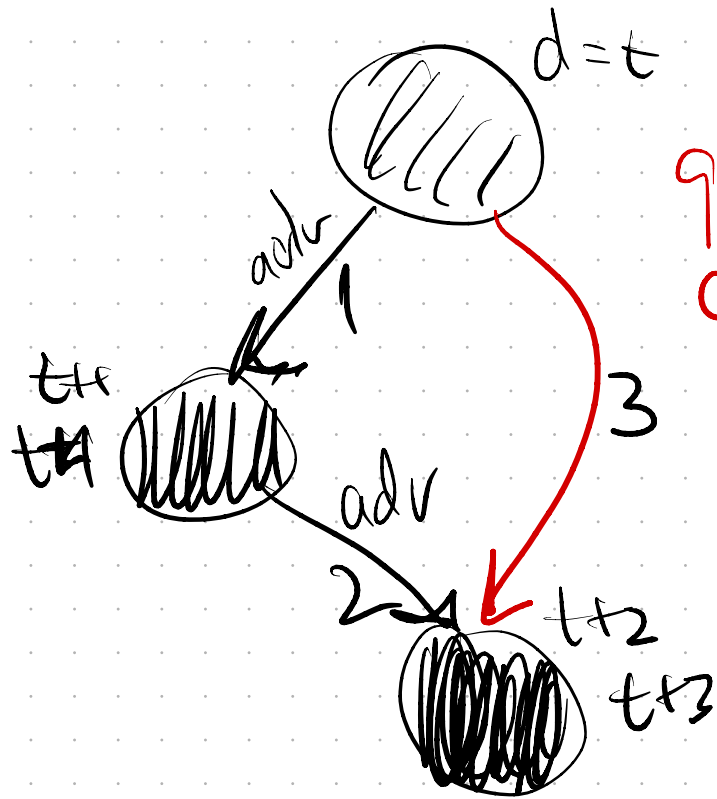
# DFS edge classification

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- **"tree" edge**: <sup>DFS, advance</sup> from vertices gray to white
  - a tree edge advances the graph exploration/traversal
- **"back" edge**: from vertices gray to gray
  - a back edge points to a cycle within the current exploration nodes
- "forward" edge : from vertices a(gray) to b(black), if a discovered first
  - $\text{discovery\_time}[a] < \text{discovery\_time}[b]$
  - points to a different part of the tree, already explored from a
- "cross" edge : from vertices a(gray) to b(black), if b discovered first
  - $\text{discovery\_time}[a] > \text{discovery\_time}[b]$
  - points to a different part of the tree, explored before discovering a

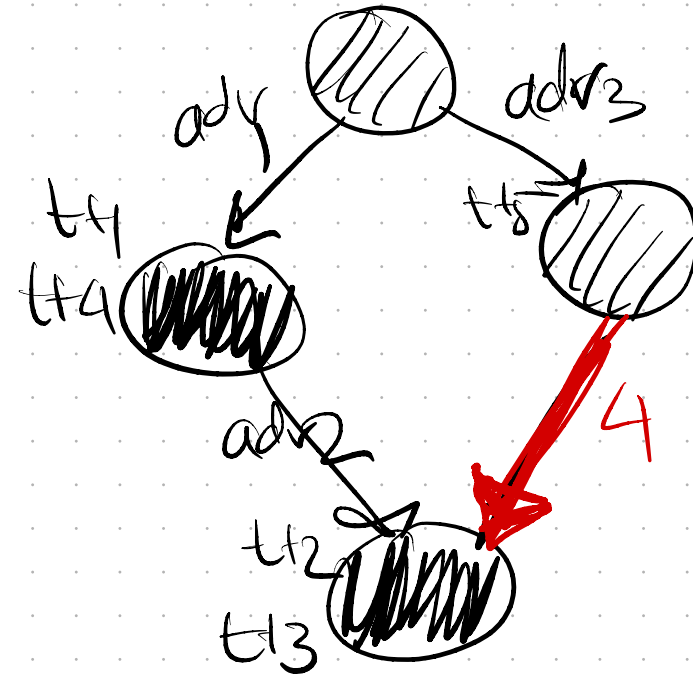


# Forward edge



gray  $\rightarrow$  black  
 $d[\text{gray}] < d[\text{black}]$

# Cross edge

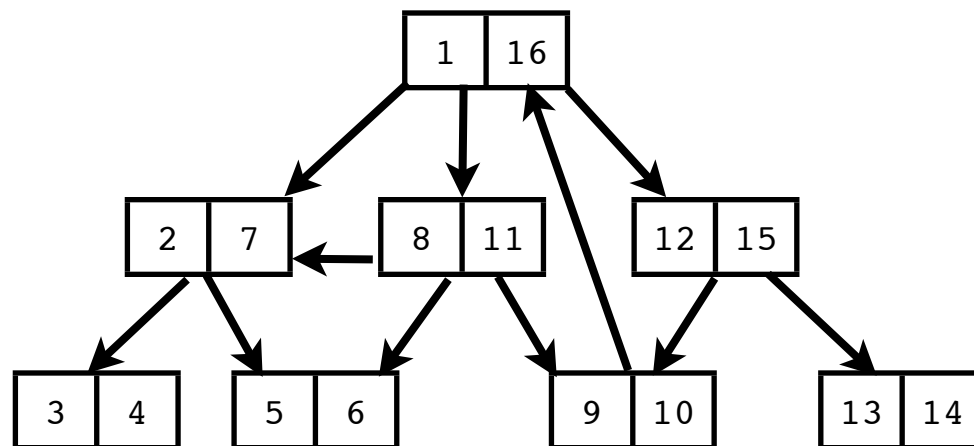


4: gray  $\rightarrow$  black  
 $d[\text{gray}] > d[\text{black}]$

# Checkpoint

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- on the animated example, label each edge as "tree", "back", "cross", or "forward"
- do the same on the following example (DFS discovery and finish times marked for each node)



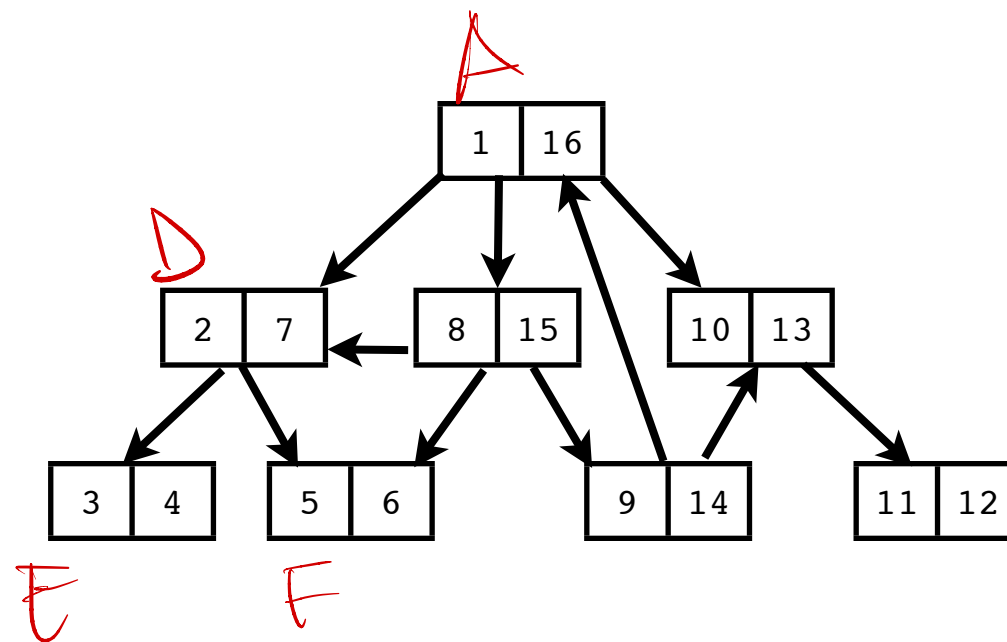
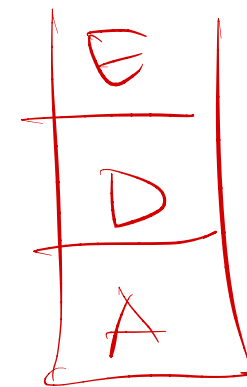
# Checkpoint

- almost same example, with a small modification: one edge was reversed

DFS with stack, w/ rec calls.

● Stack = gray nodes in d[] order

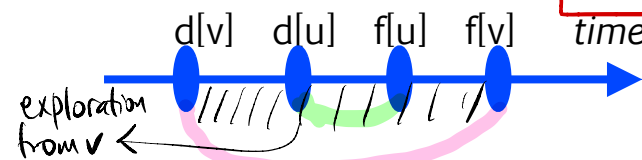
time 3 stack:



# DFS observations

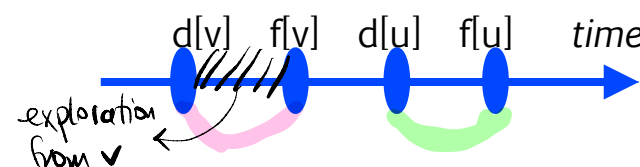
- Running time  $O(V+E)$ , same as BFS
- vertex  $v$  is gray between times  $\text{discover}[v]$  and  $\text{finish}[v]$
- gray time intervals  $(\text{discover}[v], \text{finish}[v])$  are inclusive of each other

- $(d[v], f[v])$  can include  $(d[u], f[u])$  :  $d[v] < d[u] < f[u] < f[v]$



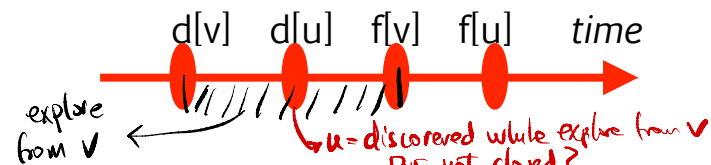
discover  $u$   
from ancestor  $v$

- $(d[v], f[v])$  can separate from  $(d[u], f[u])$  :  $d[v] < f[v] < d[u] < f[u]$



$u$  not reached from  $v$   
discovered later

- $(d[v], f[v])$  cannot intersect  $(d[u], f[u])$  :  $d[v] < d[u] < f[v] < f[u]$



discover  $u$  while  $v$  = gray (from  $v$ )

- graph  $G=(V,E)$  is acyclic (does not have cycles) if DFS does not find any "back" edge

Theorem  $f[u] > f[v]$  }  $\Rightarrow$  no path  $v \rightsquigarrow u$   
no path  $u \rightsquigarrow v$

proof:  $f[u] > f[v]$  from previous slide 2 options

•  $d[v] < \underline{f[v]} < d[u] < \underline{f[u]} \Rightarrow \text{path } v \rightsquigarrow u$  ?

OR

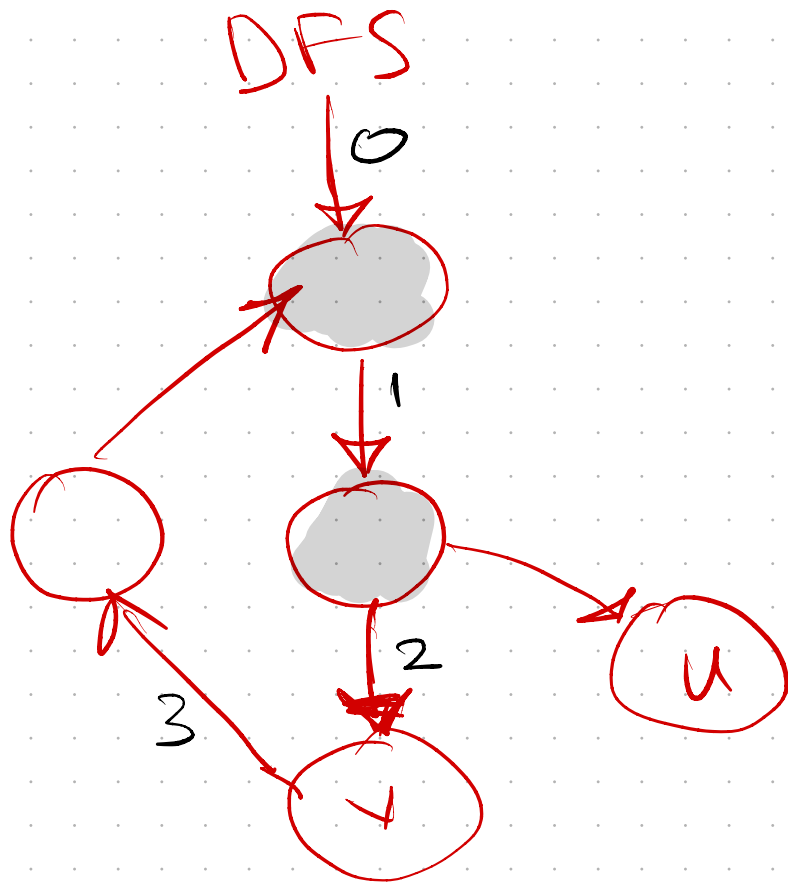
close  $v$  before discover  $u \Rightarrow$  no path  $v \rightsquigarrow u$

•  $\checkmark$   $d[u] < d[v] < \underline{f[v]} < \underline{f[u]} \Rightarrow \text{path } u \rightsquigarrow v$   
 $\Rightarrow$  contradicts the hypothesis, not possible

$\Rightarrow d[v] < f[v] < d[u] < f[u] \Rightarrow$

no path  $v \rightsquigarrow u$  ( $u$  discovered after  $v$  close)

Look again!  $d_v < f_v < d_u < f_u$   
white  $\rightarrow$  gray  $\rightarrow$  white



# Undirected graphs cycles

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- graph  $G=(V,E)$  is acyclic (does not have cycles) if DFS does not find any “back” edge
- since  $G$  is undirected, no cycles implies  $|E| \leq |V|-1$
- running DFS, if we find more than  $|V|-1$  edges, there must be a cycle
- Undirected graphs: find-cycles algorithm takes  $O(V)$



# Directed graphs cycles

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- graph  $G=(V,E)$  is acyclic (does not have cycles) if DFS does not find any "back" edge
- for directed graphs, even without cycles they can have more edges,  $|E| > |V|-1$
- algorithm to determine cycles: run DFS, look for back edges -  $O(V+E)$  time
- DAG = directed acyclic graph

Th  $\Rightarrow$  line sort the <sup>no cycles</sup> DAG: all vertices on line.  
all edges Left  $\rightarrow$  Right

# ~~Topological~~ sort (DAG)

LINE

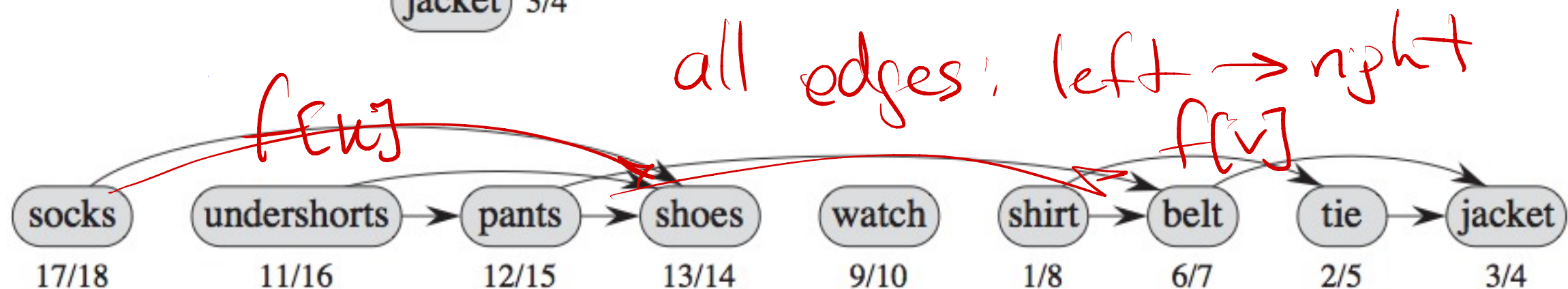
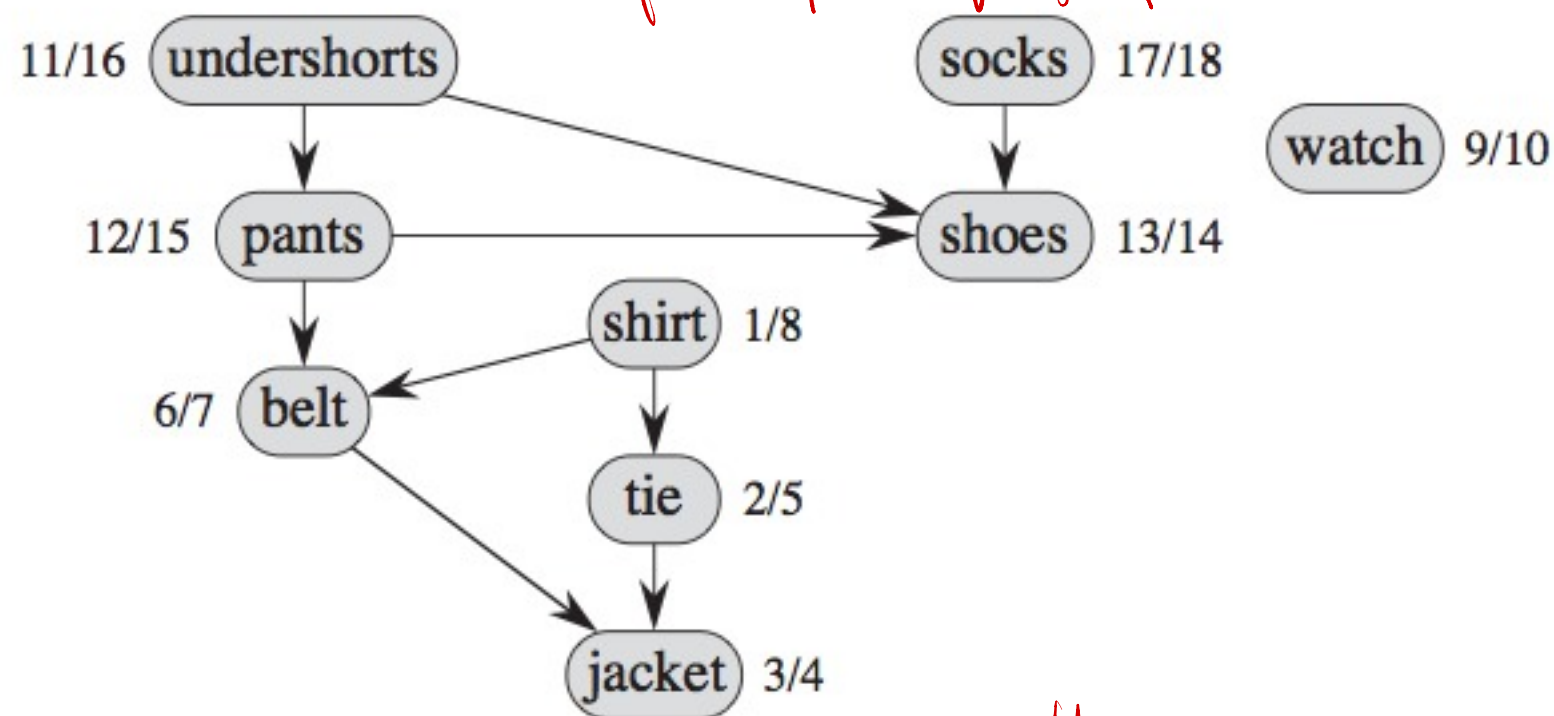
(DAG)

no cycles

- DAG admits topological sort: all vertices "sorted" on a line, such that all edges point from left to right - no cycles - 2 graphs below are the same -
- to do this: algorithm: run DFS, time  $O(V+E)$ . Output vertices in reverse order given by finishing time

fcj

Example: prereq graphs



# Check Point

want: no edge  $v \rightarrow u$

sort by  $f[u]$  descending

$f[u] > f[v]$



$f[u]$



$f[v]$



case  $f_u > d_u > f_v > d_v$   
with edge  $v \rightarrow u \Rightarrow u$  discover from  $v$  (CONTRAD)

case  $f_u > f_v > d_v > d_u$   
 $\Rightarrow \exists$  path  $u \rightsquigarrow v$  + edge  $(v \rightarrow u)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  cycle  $\Rightarrow$  CONTRAD

● how can we use DFS to determine if there is a path from  $u$  to  $v$ ?

● prove that by sorting vertices in the reverse order of finishing times, we obtained a topological sort

max  $f_c$  left ; min  $f_c$  right side.

— assuming no cycles

— in other words, all edges point in the same direction



Blue edges are <sup>NOT</sup> part of cycles!

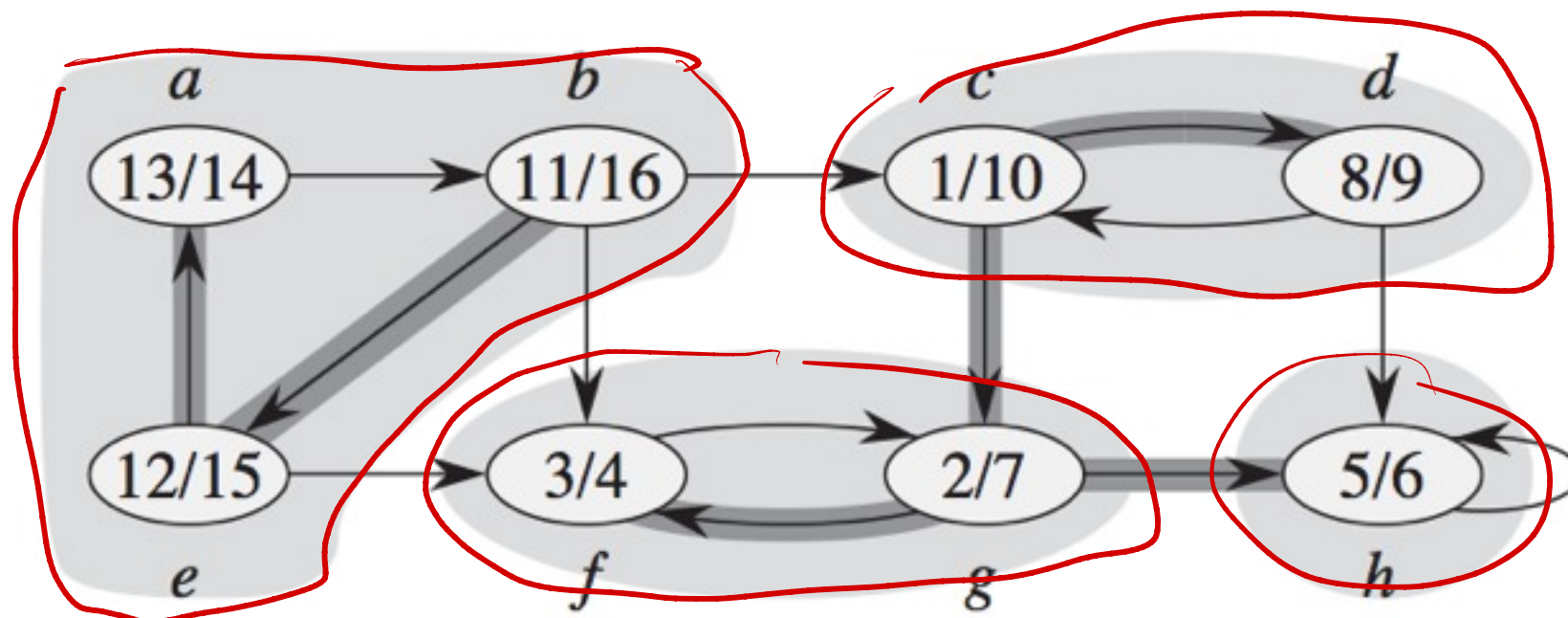
$\Rightarrow$  SCC-s form a DAG



blue edges  $(u, v)$ : edges across SCC-s.

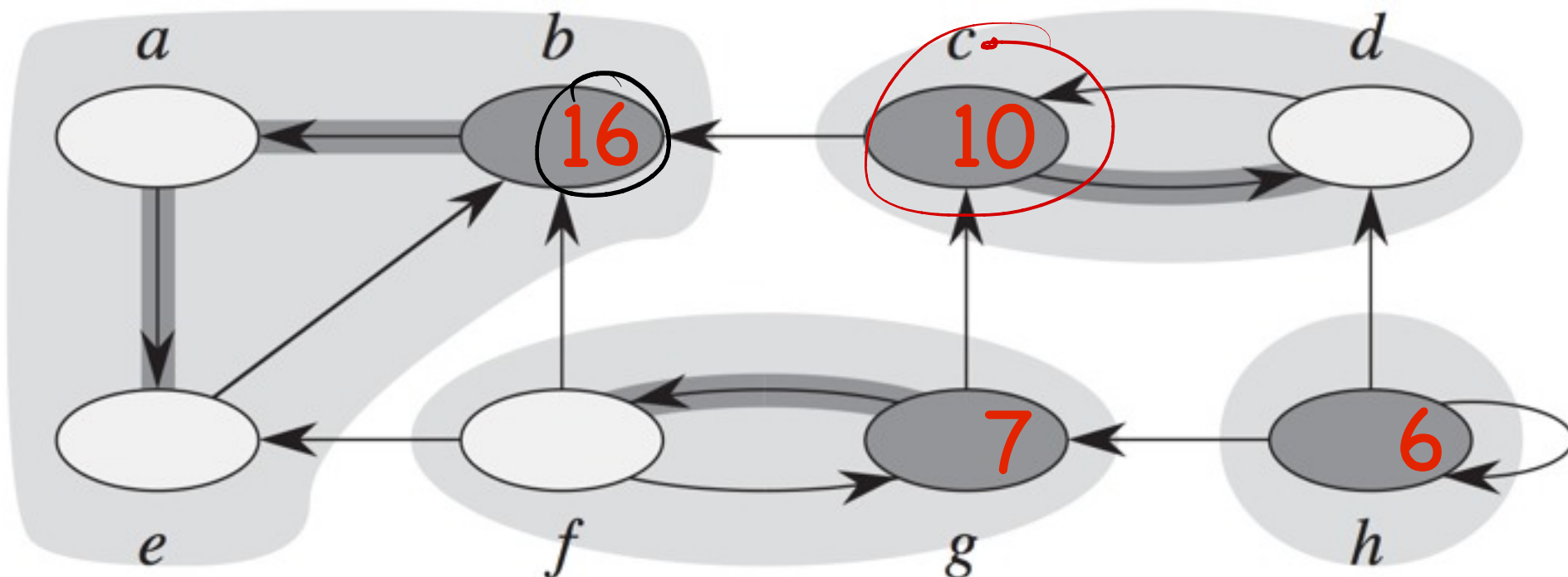
# Strongly connected components

- SCC = a set of vertices  $S \subset V$ , such that for any two  $(u,v) \in S$ , graph  $G$  contains a path  $u \rightsquigarrow v$  and a path  $v \rightsquigarrow u$
- trivial for undirected graphs
  - all connected vertices are in fact strongly connected
- tricky for directed graphs
- graph below has the DFS discover/finish times and marked 4 strongly connected components; “tree” edges highlighted
- between two SCC,  $A$  and  $B$ , there cannot exist paths both ways ( $A \ni u \rightsquigarrow v \in B$  and  $B \ni v' \rightsquigarrow u' \in A$ )
  - paths both ways would make  $A$  and  $B$  a single SCC



# Strongly connected components

- run 1st DFS on  $G$  to get finishing times  $f[u]$
- run 2nd DFS on  $G$ -reversed (all edges reversed - see picture), each DFS-visit in reverse order of  $f[u]$ 
  - finishing times marked in red for the DFS-visit root vertices
- output each tree (vertices reached) obtained by 2nd DFS as an SCC

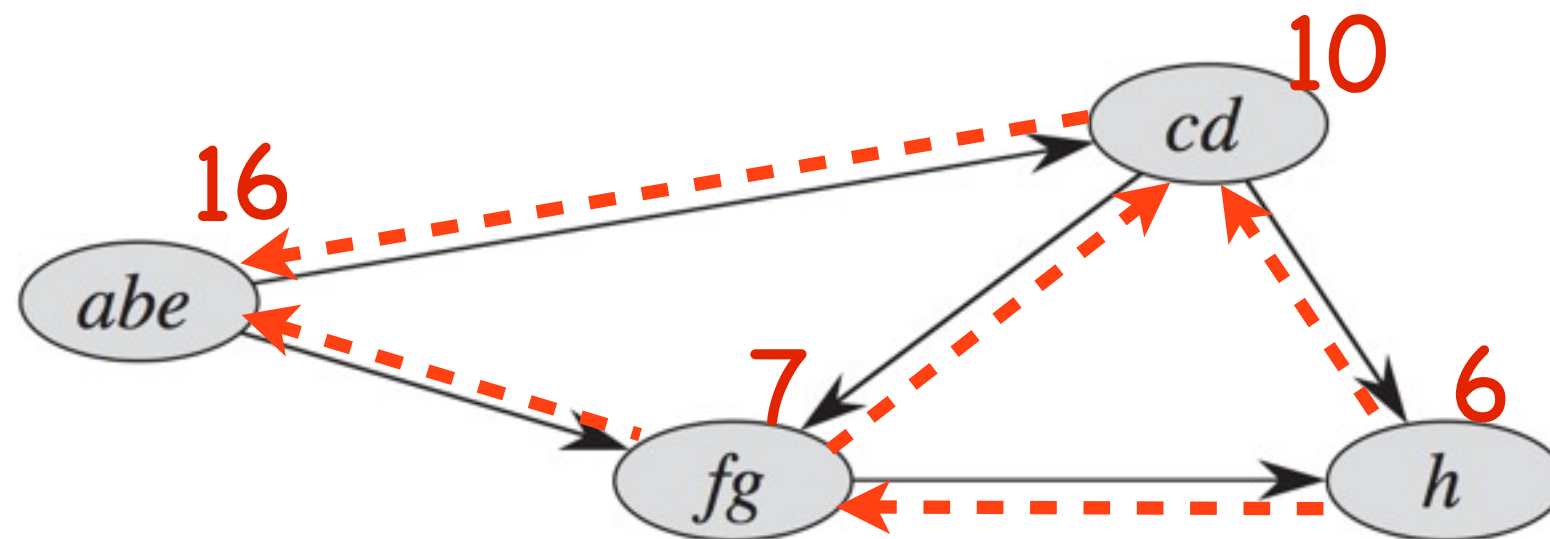


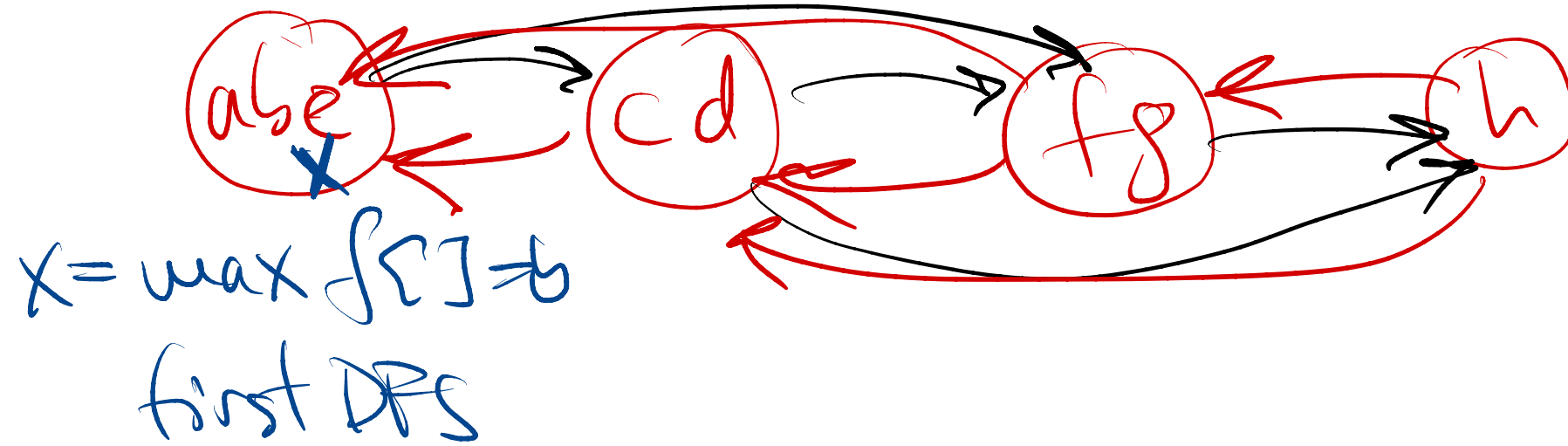


# Strongly connected components

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- why 2nd DFS produces precisely the SCC -s?
- SCC-graph of G: collapse all SCC into one SCC-vertex, keep edges between the SCC-vertices
- - SCC graph is a DAG;
  - contradiction argument: a cycle on the SCC-graph would immediately collapse the cycle's SCC-s into one SCC
- reversed edges (shown in red); reversed-SCC-graph also a DAG
- second DFS runs on reversed-edges (red); once it starts at a high-finish-time (like 16) it can only go through vertices in the same SCC (like abe)

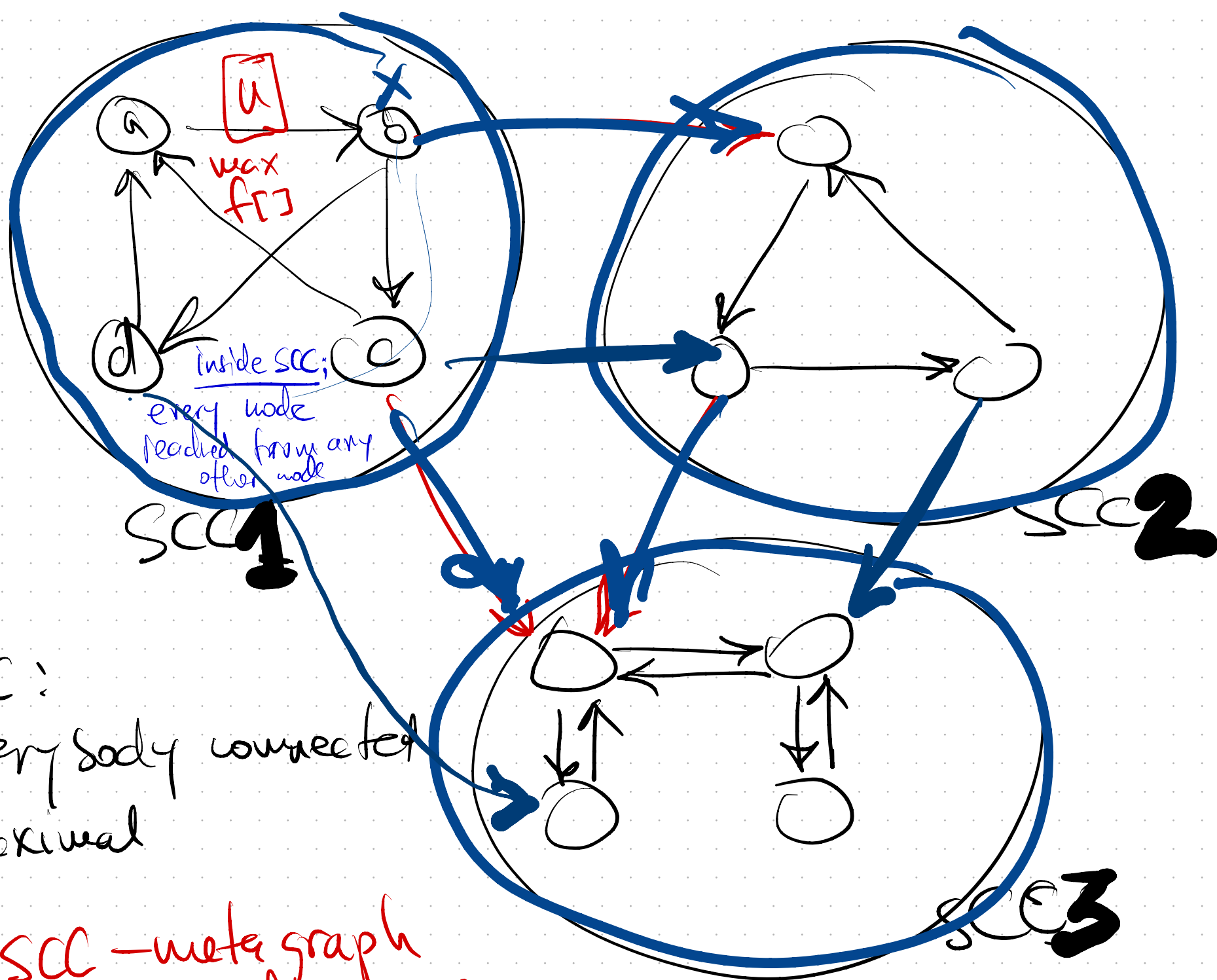




th version 2  
 $f[u] > f[v]$  (first DFS run)  
 $u, v \notin \text{same SCC}$  }  $\Rightarrow$  no path  $v \leadsto u$

## Minimum Spanning Trees

### Lesson 2

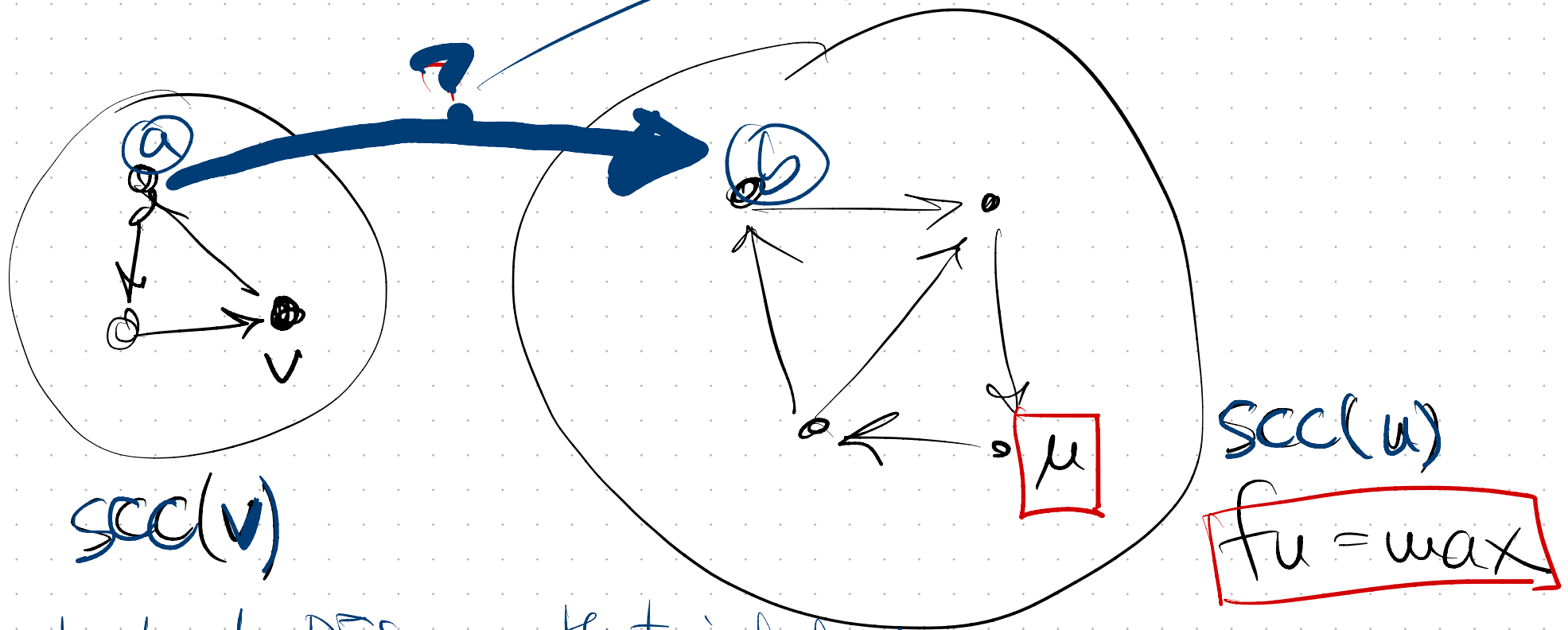


SCC:

- Every body connected
- Maximal

TH SCC - meta graph  
 nodes = SCC  
 edges = between SCC  $\Rightarrow$  DAG

Th: Run DFS look at node  $u$  with maxfu  
 $\Rightarrow$  SCC( $u$ ) has no incoming edges from other SCC-s  $\rightarrow$  not possible such an edge.



Look at DFS run that includes  $u$ .

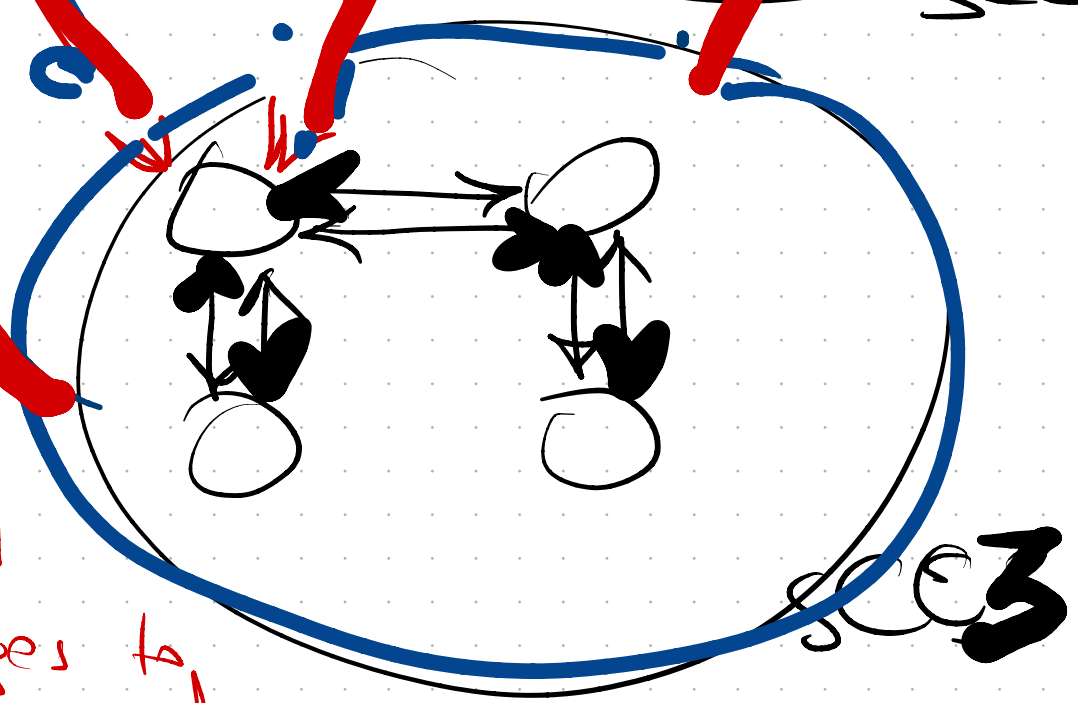
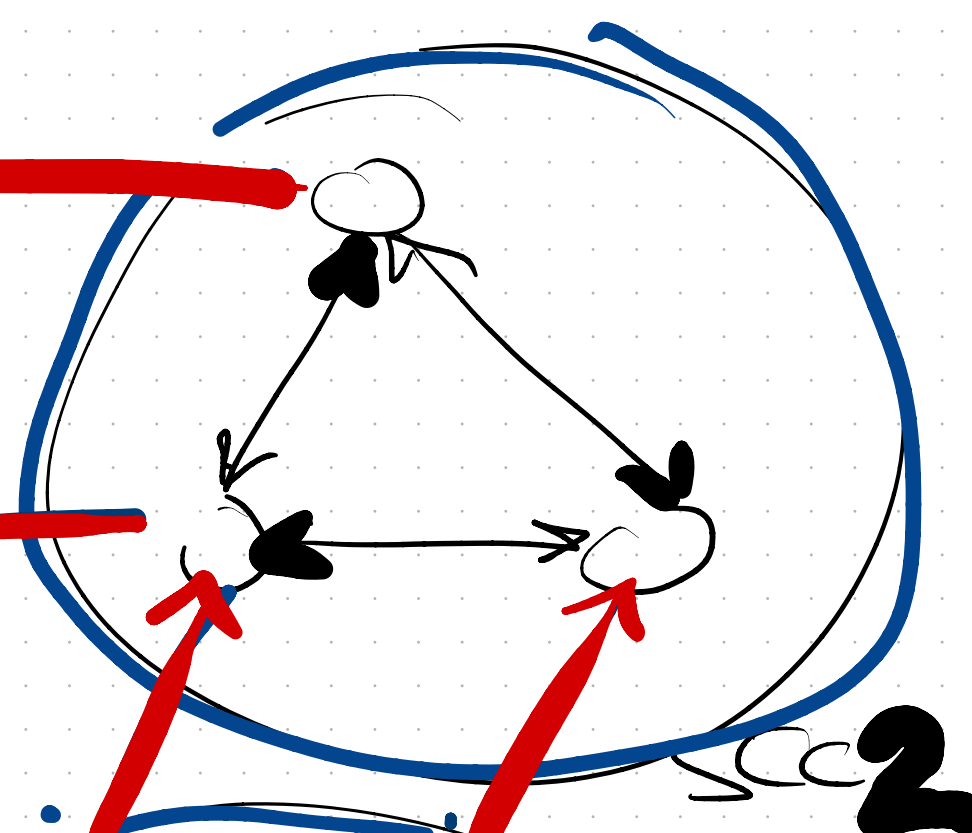
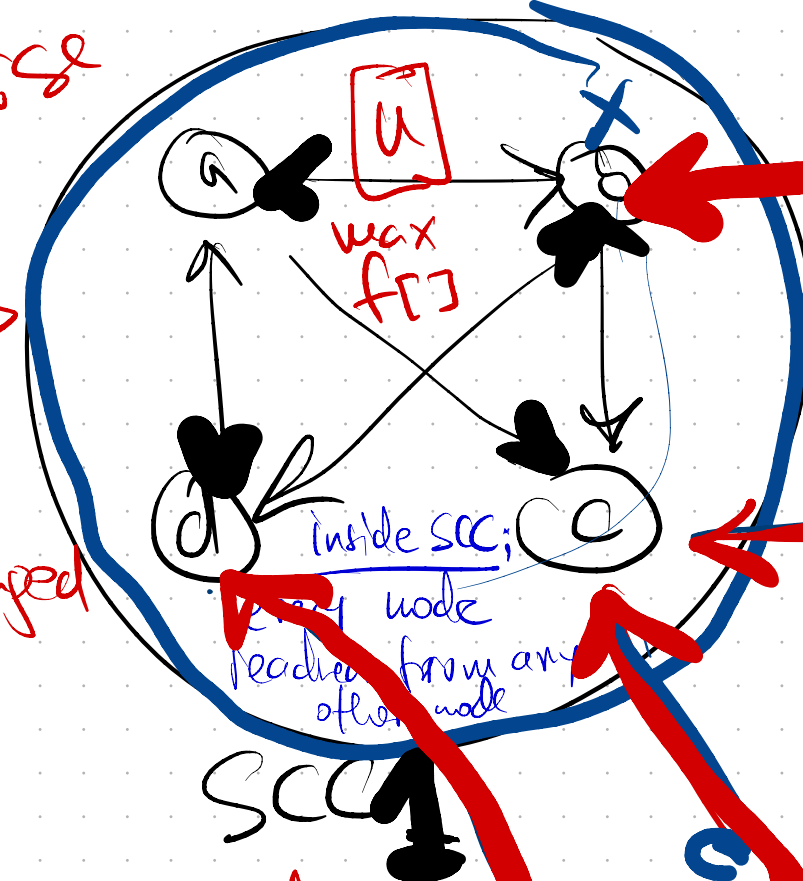
- includes  $a \Rightarrow f_a > f_u$  contradict

- does not include  $a \Rightarrow a$  is processed in a later DFS run  $\Rightarrow f_a > f_u$  contradict.



Reverse  
all  
edges

- SCC  
unchanged



$f[u]$  maximal  
- before reversal - edges  
SCC[u] no incoming  
blue edges

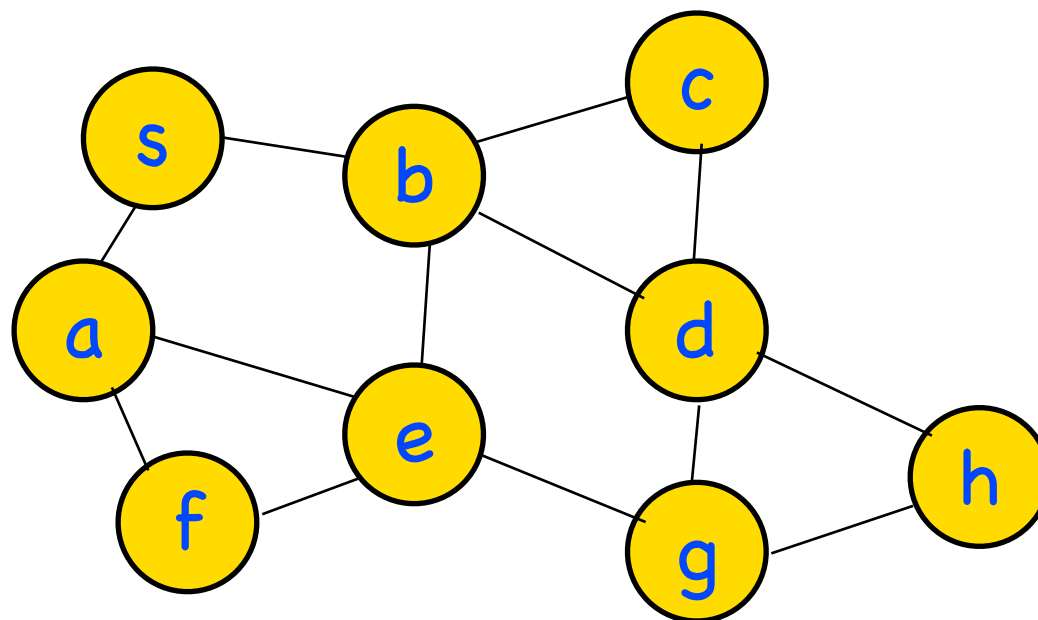
⇒ after reversal SCC[u]  
has no outgoing edges to  
other SCC.

⇒ 2<sup>nd</sup> DFS(start u) ⇒ run 1  
SCC[u]

# Spanning Trees

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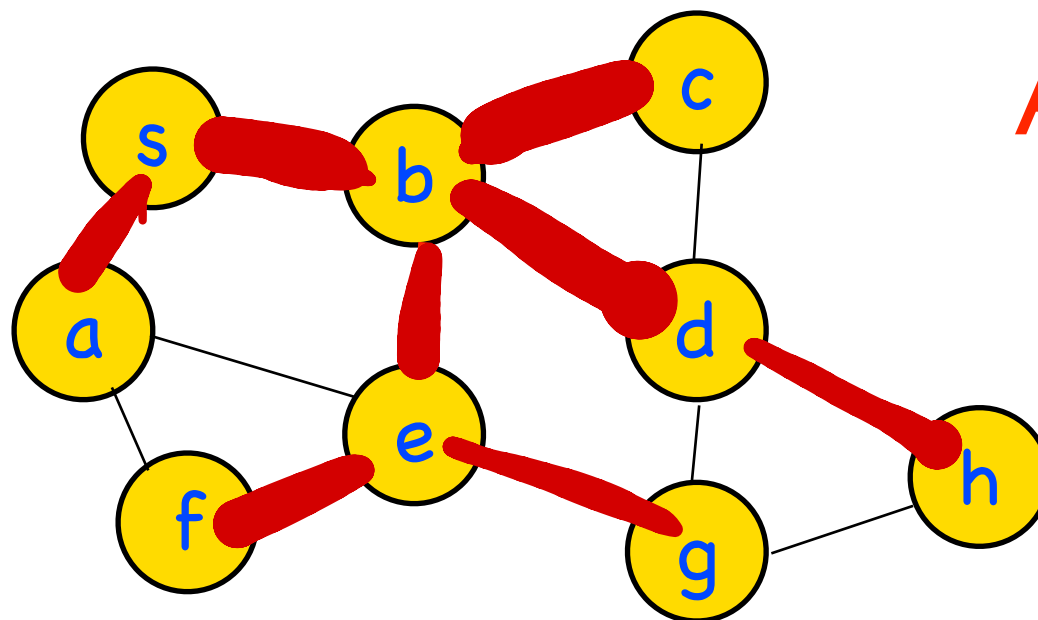
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  - necessary this set of edges  $A$  has size =  $|V|-1$
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no cycles

**A spanning tree**

connects all  $V$  nodes

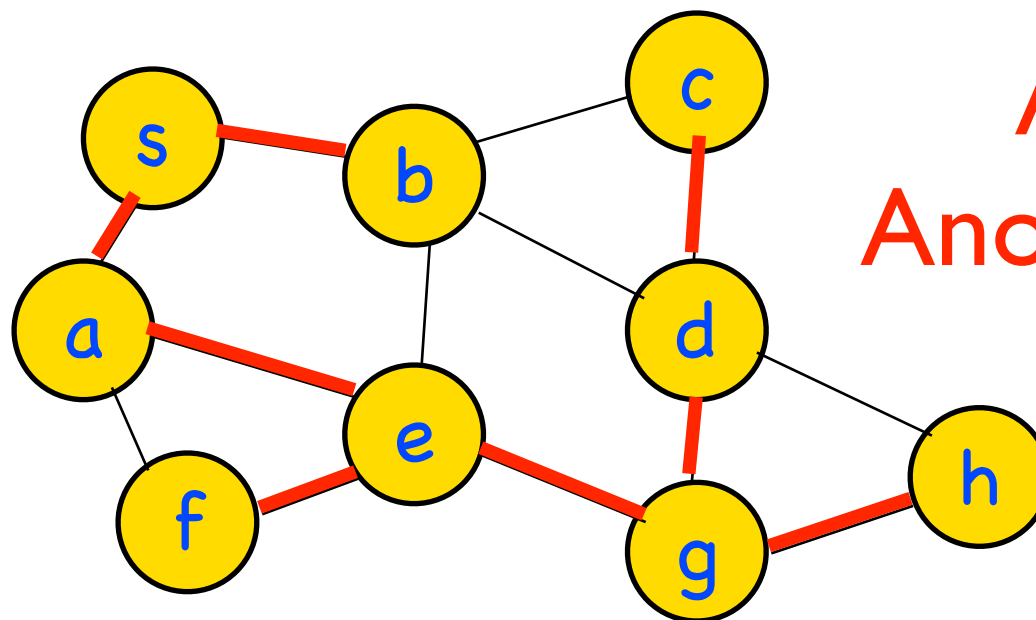
$\Rightarrow$  tree edges

$= V-1$

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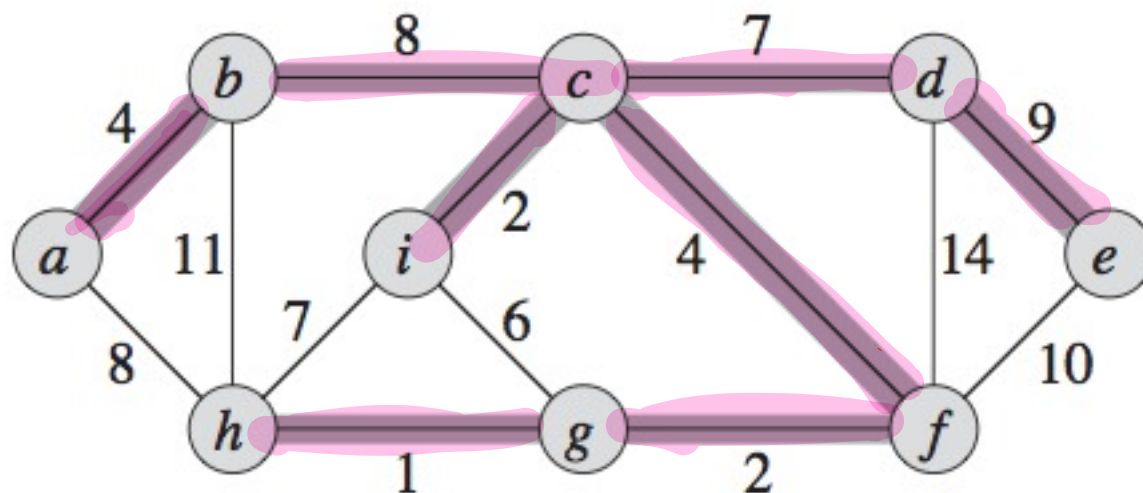


A spanning tree  
Another spanning tree



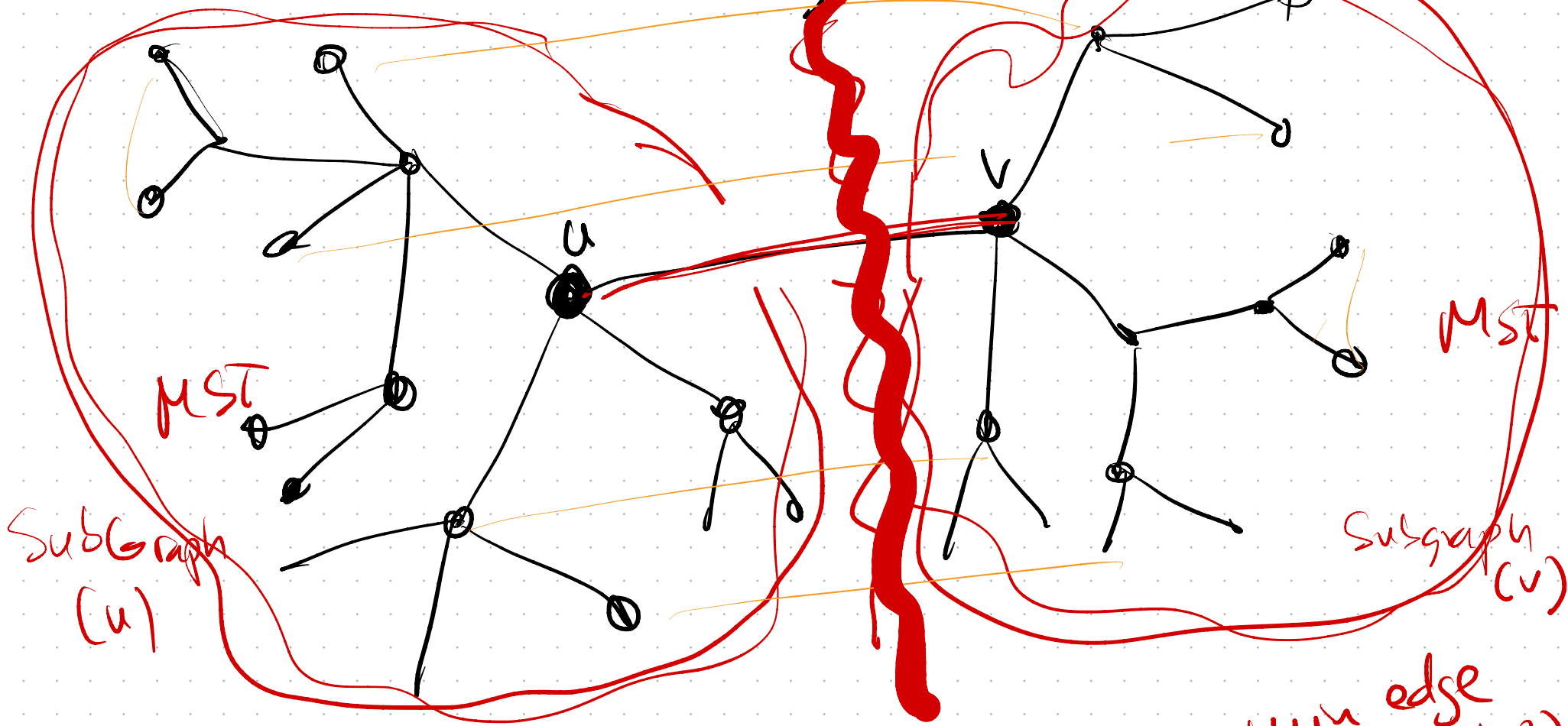
# Minimum Spanning Tree (MST)

- context : undirected graph, edges have weights
  - edge  $(u,v) \in E$  has weight  $w(u,v)$  ≈ penalties cost
- MST is a spanning tree of minimum total weight (of its edges)
  - must span all vertices
  - exactly  $|V|-1$  edges
  - sum of edges weight be minimum among spanning trees min total cost =  $\sum w(\text{edges used})$   
edge weights  $\geq 0$ ?



1. OPTIMAL charact.

given MST



$(u, v)$  any edge in MST

th Partition  $G$  into  $A$  and  $B$

existup MST edges  
(I know  $\in$  MST)

$\rightarrow$  in  $A$   
 $\rightarrow$  in  $B$

not across  $A \rightarrow B$

min edge  
across  $(A, B)$   
in part MST

# Growing Minimum Spanning Trees

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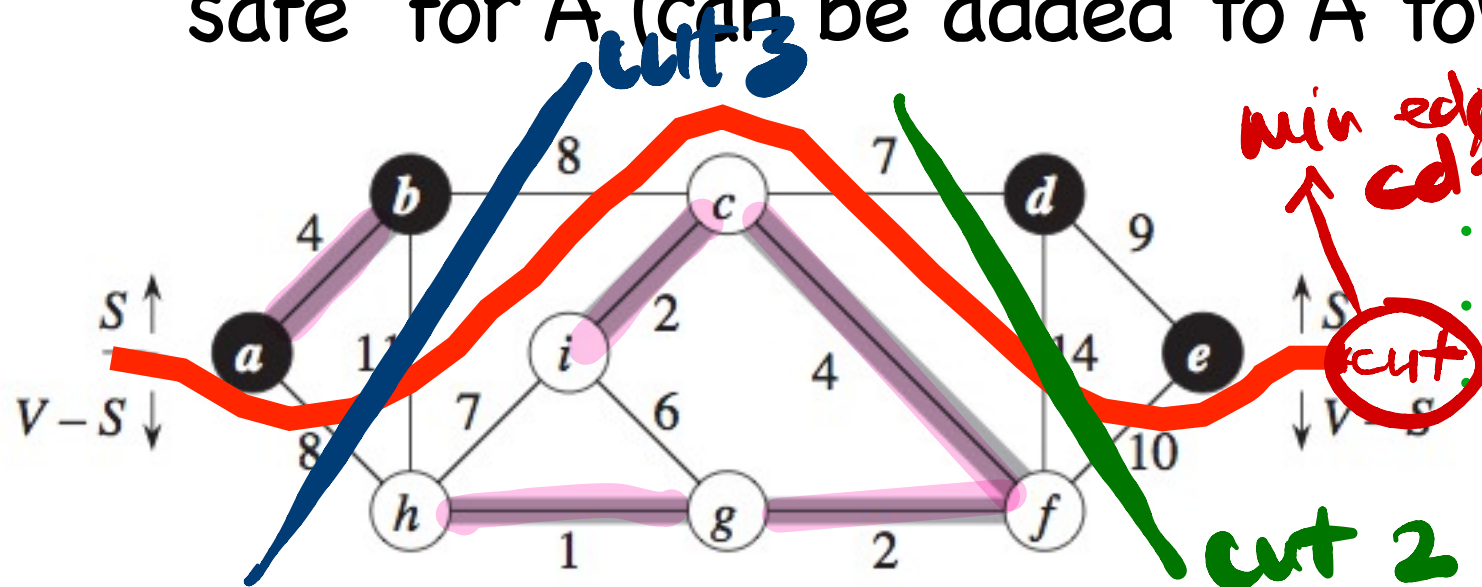
- “safe edge”  $(u,v)$  for a given set of edges  $A$ : there is a MST that uses  $A$  and  $(u,v)$ 
  - that MST may not be unique
- GENERIC-MST  $(G)$
- $A$  = set of tree edges, initially empty
- while  $A$  does not form a spanning tree *// meaning while  $|A| < |V|-1$* 
  - find edge  $(u,v)$  that is safe for  $A$
  - add  $(u,v)$  to  $A$
- end while
- how to find a safe edge to a given set of edges  $A$ ?
  - Prim algorithm
  - Kruskal algorithm





# Cuts in the graph

- "cut" is a partition of vertices in two sets :  $V = S \cup V-S$   
*A = set of edges already selected to be in MST*
- an edge  $(u,v)$  crosses the cut  $(S, V-S)$  if  $u$  and  $v$  are on different partitions (one in  $S$  the other in  $V-S$ )
- cut  $(S, V-S)$  respects set of edges  $A$  if  $A$  has no cross edge
- "min weight cross edge" is a cross edge for the cut, having minimum weight across all cross edges
- Cut Theorem : if  $A$  is a set of edges part of some MST, and  $(S, V-S)$  a cut respecting  $A$ , then a min-weight cross edge is "safe" for  $A$  (can be added to  $A$  towards an MST)

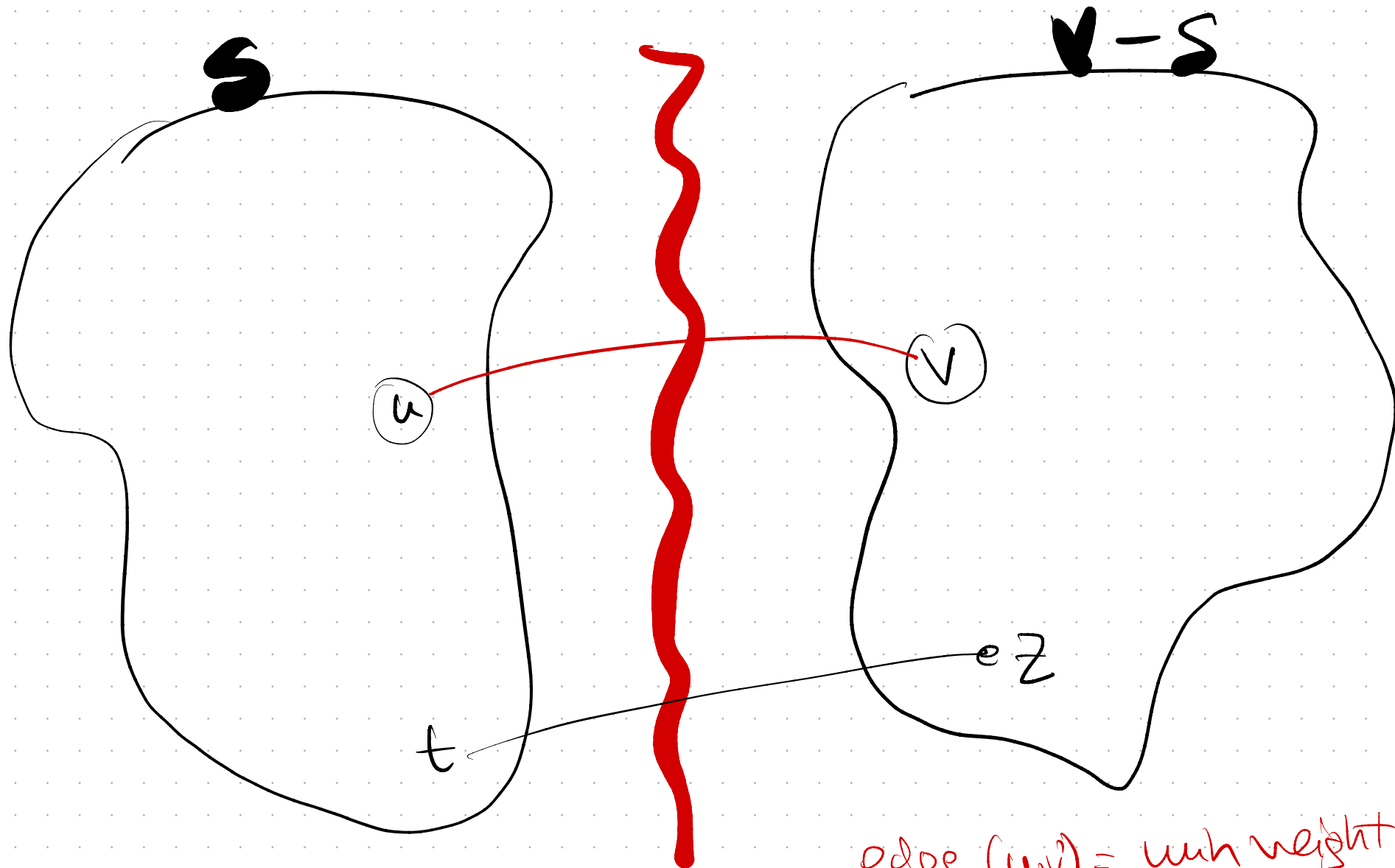


min edge cross:  
*cd*

add to  
 set A

$A = \{ab, ic, cf, hg, fg\}$   
 cut  $(S = \{a, b, d, e\}, V-S = \{h, i, c, g, f\})$  respects  $A$   
 safe crossing edge :  $cd$ ,  $\text{weight}(cd) = 7$

cut respects edges in  $A$   
 $\Rightarrow$  no edge across the cut



cut

edge  $(u,v)$  = min weight  
across cut.

proof idea: MST eventually  
with some edge  $t-z$ .

connects side  $S$  w/ side  $V-S$   
 $w(u \rightarrow v) < w(t \rightarrow z)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  edge  $(u,v)$  is better

# Prim algorithm

- grows a single tree  $A$ ,  $S$  = set of vertices in the tree
  - as opposed to a forest of smaller disconnected trees
- add a safe edge at a time
  - connecting one more node to the current tree

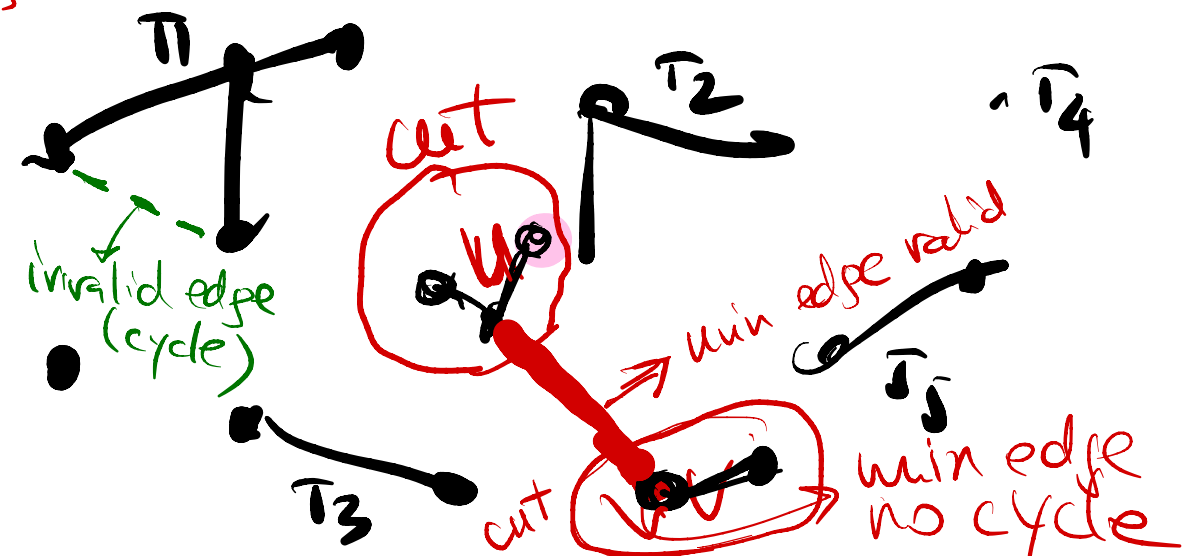
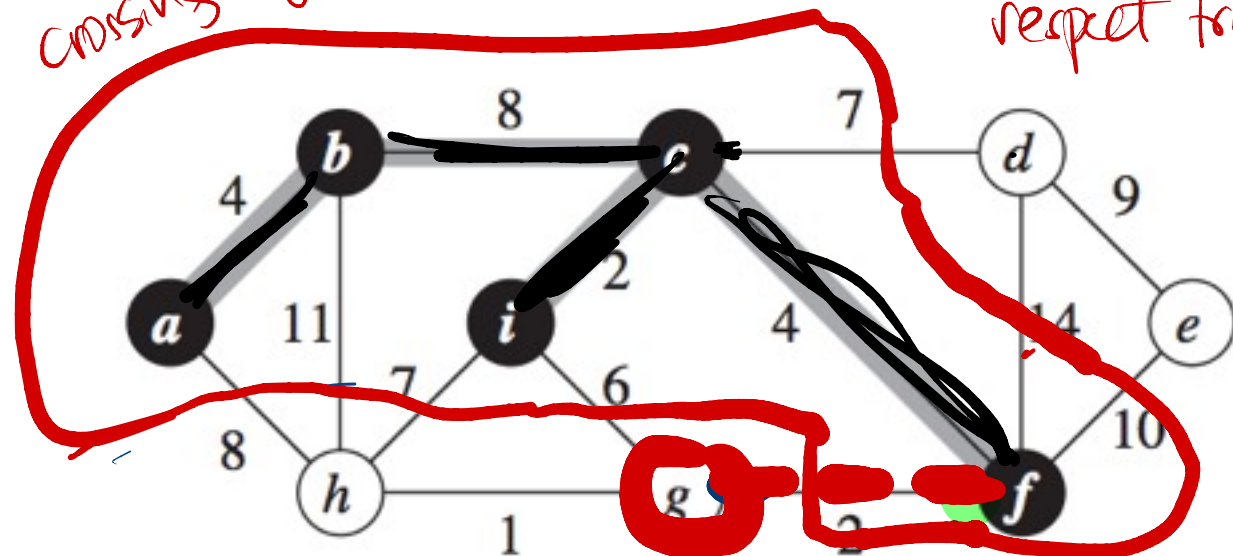
$x = \text{outside}$   
 $ESP(x) = \text{closeness to the tree}$

Prim: grows a tree  
 next edge: min edge not forming cycles (connects 2 existing trees)

min edge crossing cut:  $G \setminus T$   
 $w=2$   
 Prim - tree

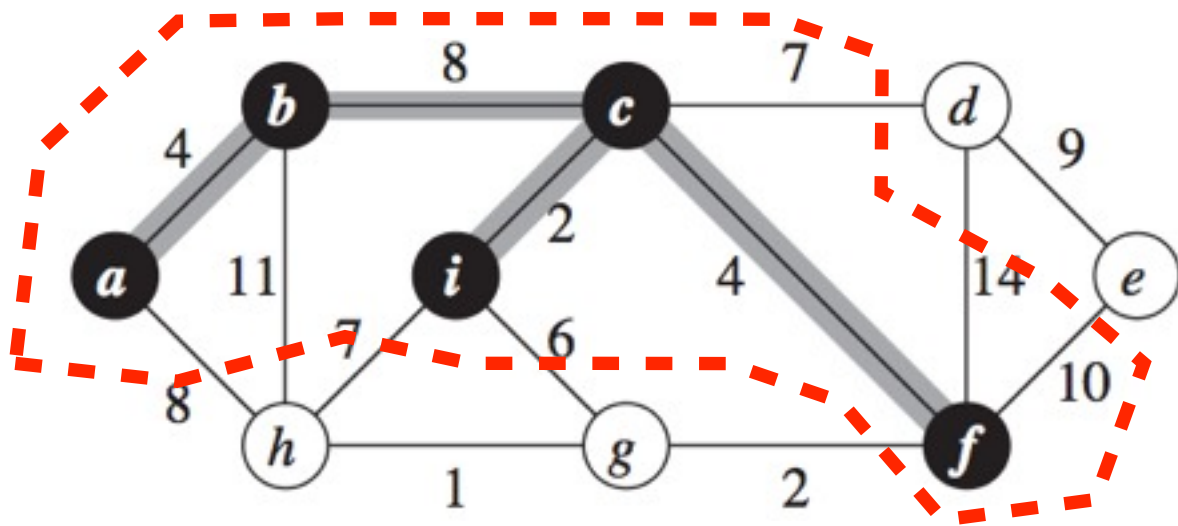
cut (non-tree)  
 respect tree ex. edges

**Kruskal**  $\rightarrow$  forest



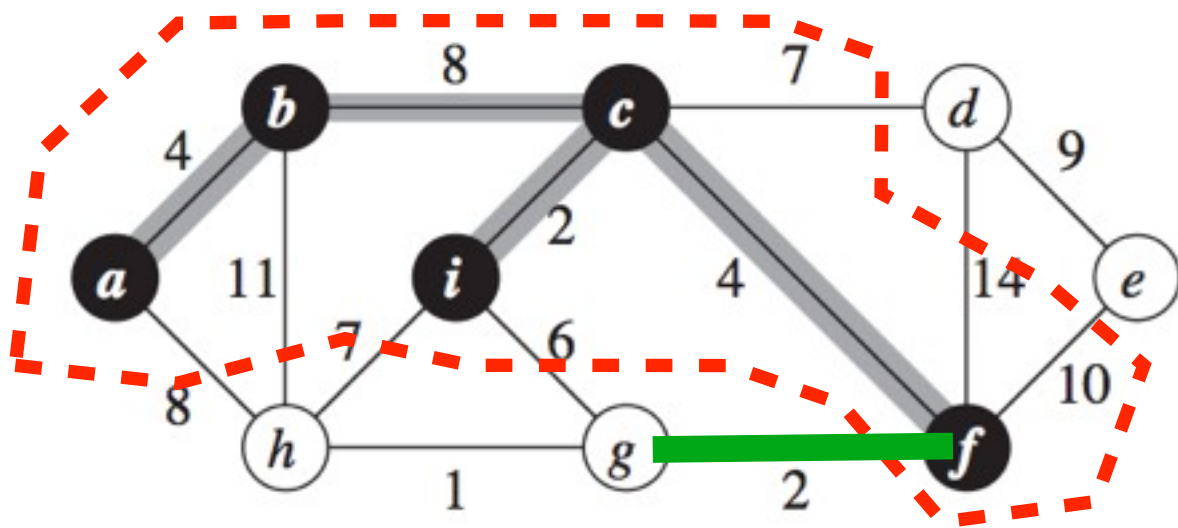
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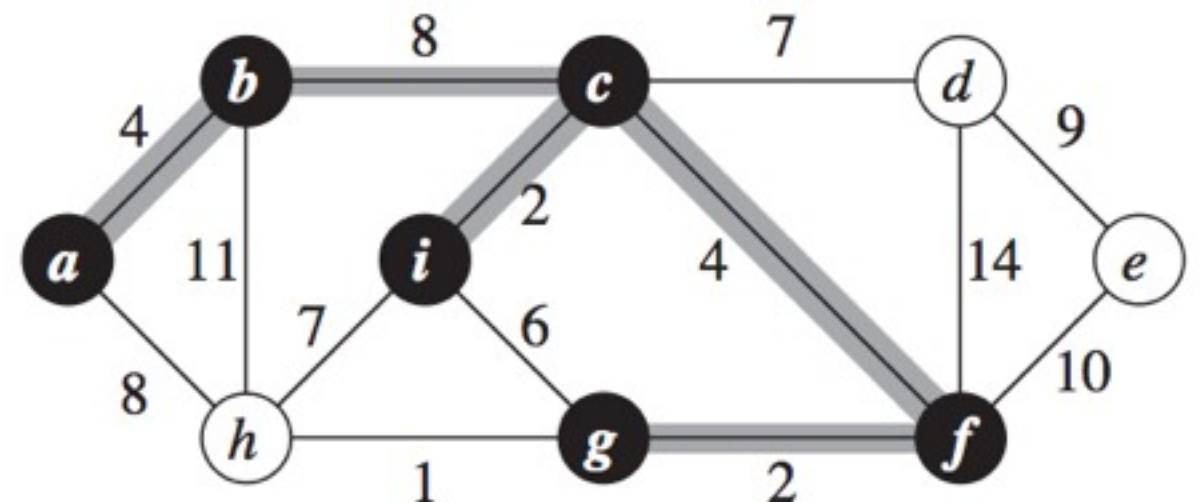
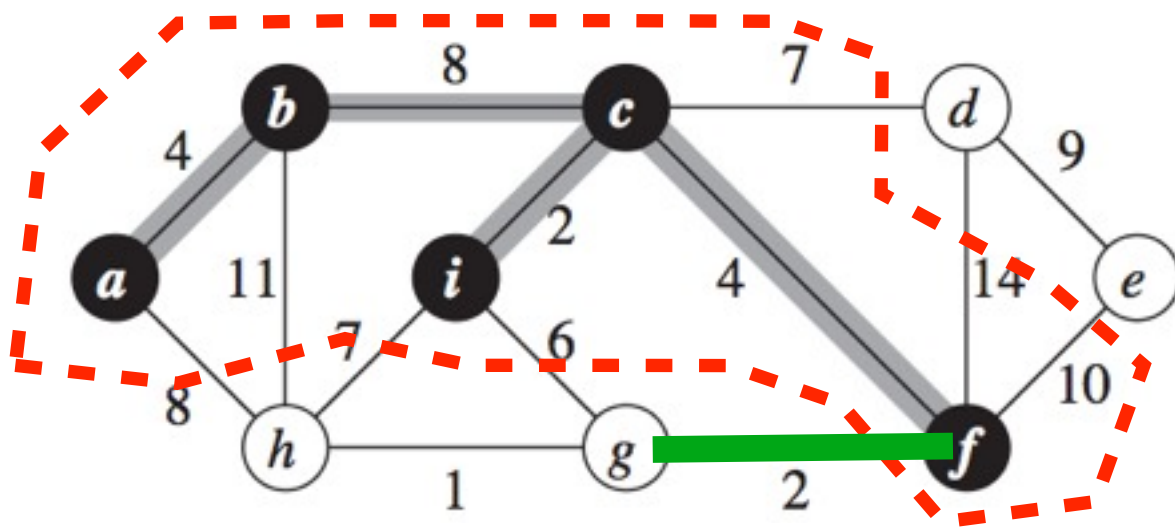
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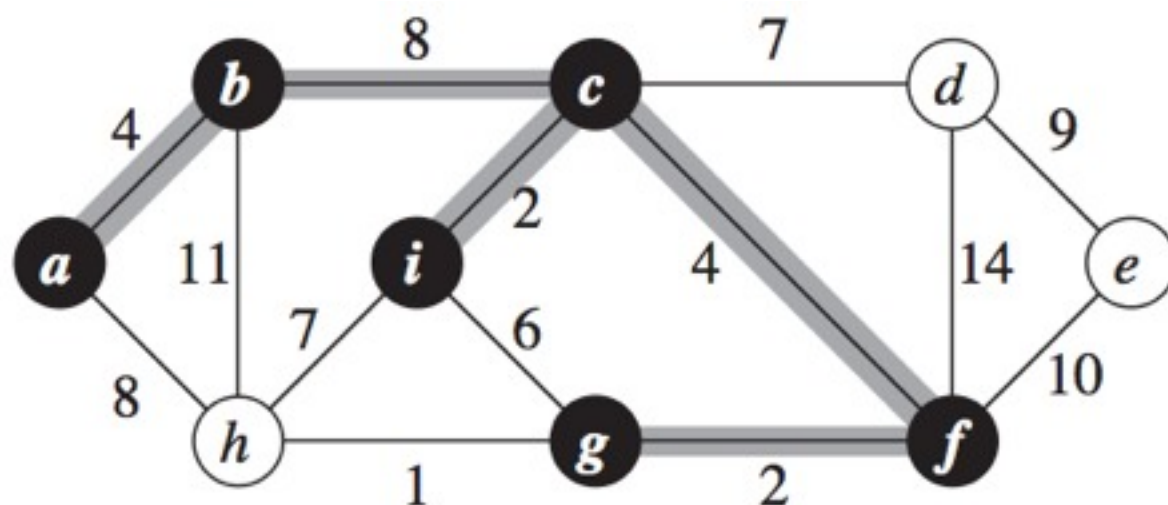
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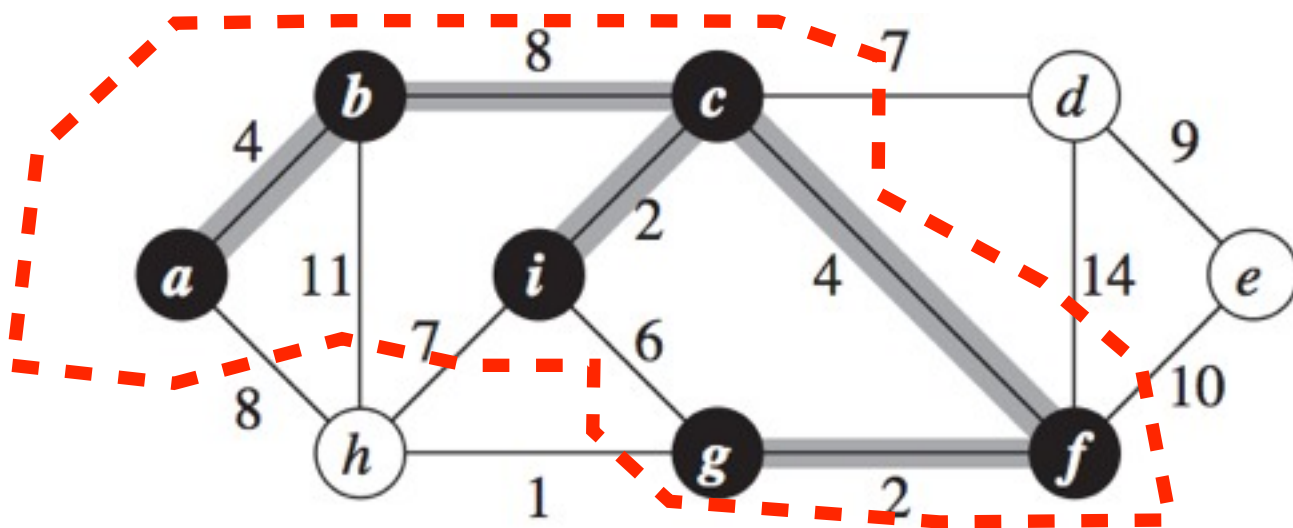
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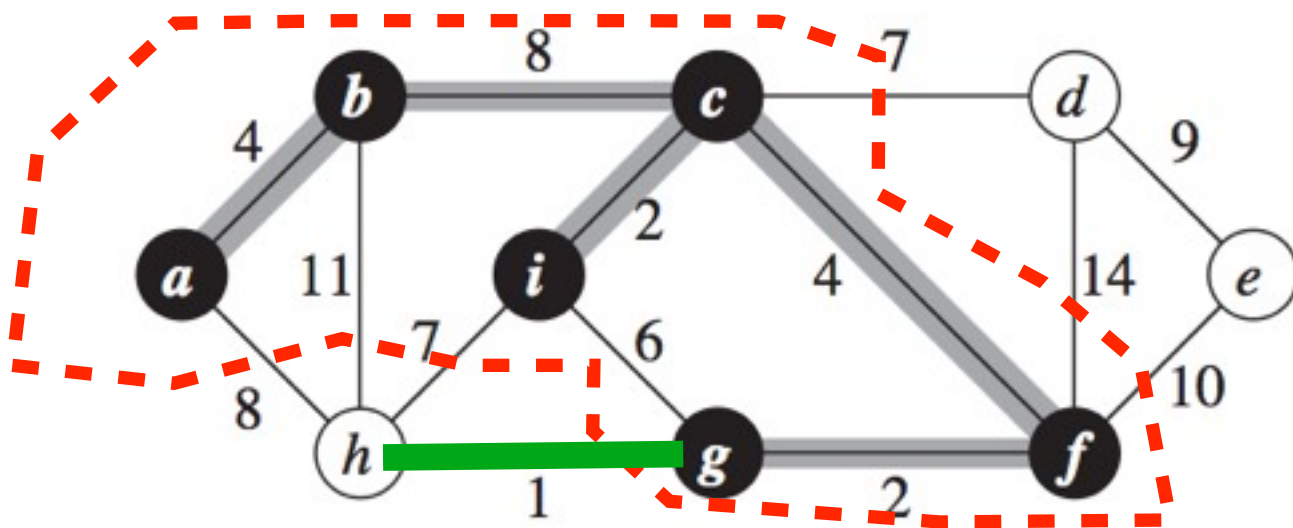
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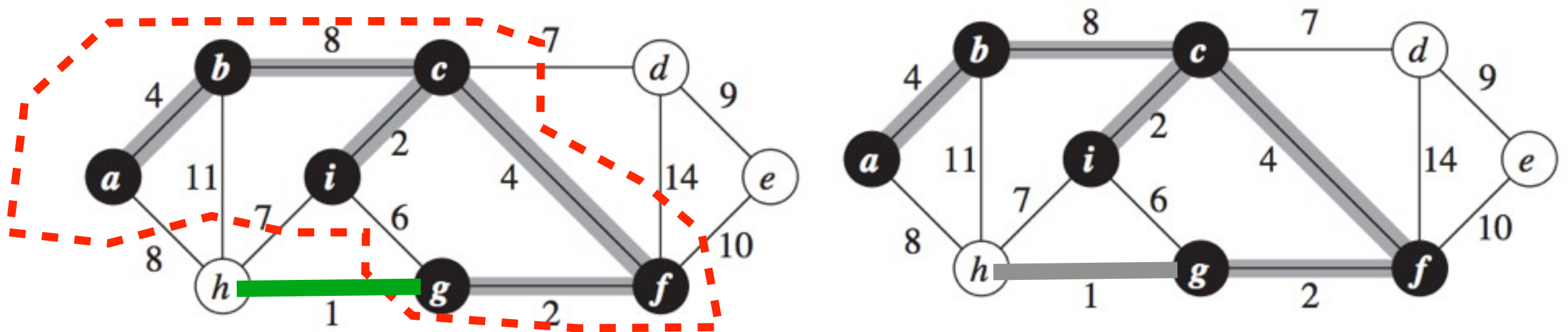
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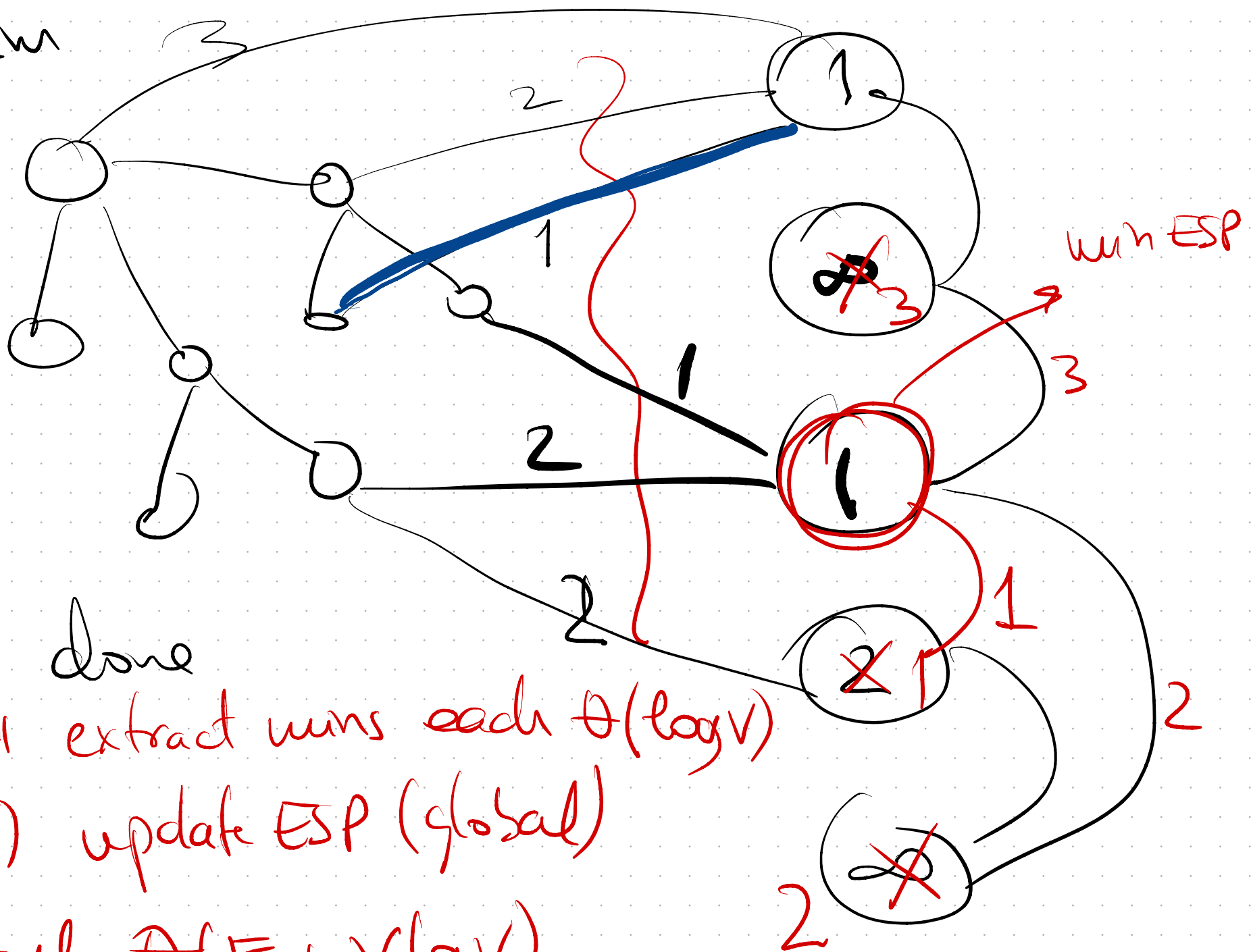
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- Prim simple
  - but implementation a bit tricky
- Running Time depends on implementation of Extract-Min from the Queue
  - best theoretical implementation uses Fibonacci Heaps
  - also the most complicated
  - only makes a practical difference for very large graphs

MST-PRIM( $G, w, r$ )

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1  for each  $u \in G.V$ 
2       $u.key = \infty$ 
3       $u.\pi = \text{NIL}$ 
4   $r.key = 0$ 
5   $Q = G.V$ 
6  while  $Q \neq \emptyset$ 
7       $u = \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q)$ 
8      for each  $v \in G.Adj[u]$ 
9          if  $v \in Q$  and  $w(u, v) < v.key$ 
10              $v.\pi = u$ 
11              $v.key = w(u, v)$ 
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Prim



done

$\theta(V)$  extract mins each  $\theta(\log V)$

$\theta(E)$  update ESP (global)

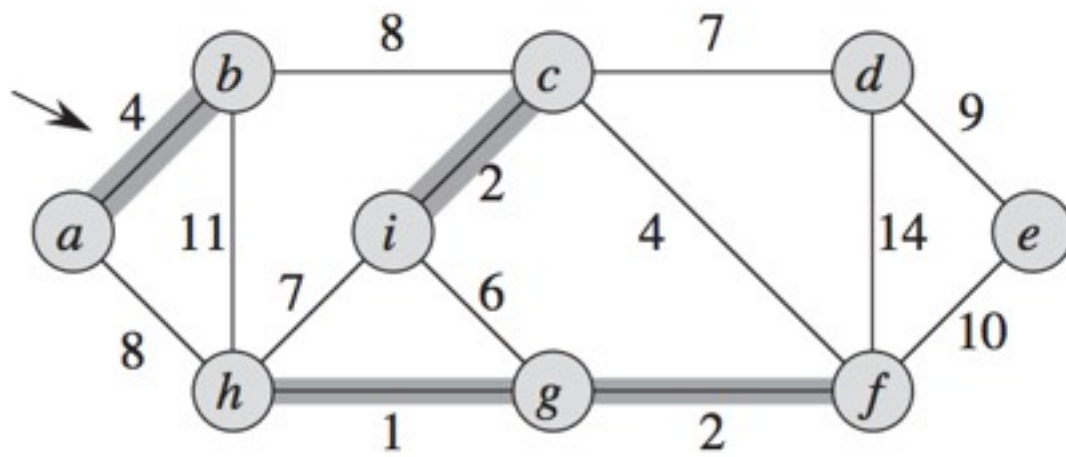
total  $\theta(E + V \log V)$   
 update extract min

not connected yet

# Kruskal MST algorithm

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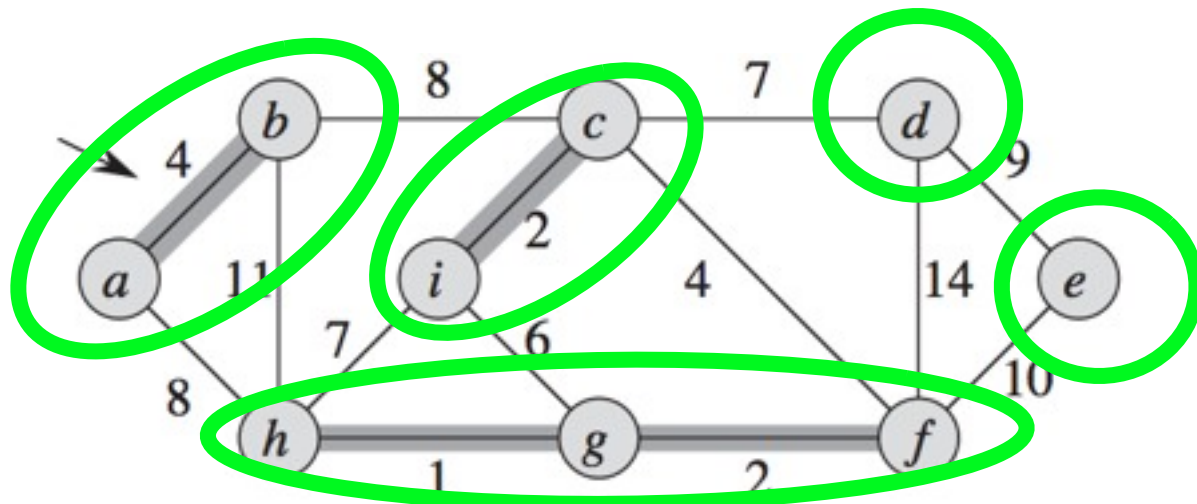
- Grows a forest of trees  $\text{Forrest} = (V, A)$ 
  - eventually all connected into a MST
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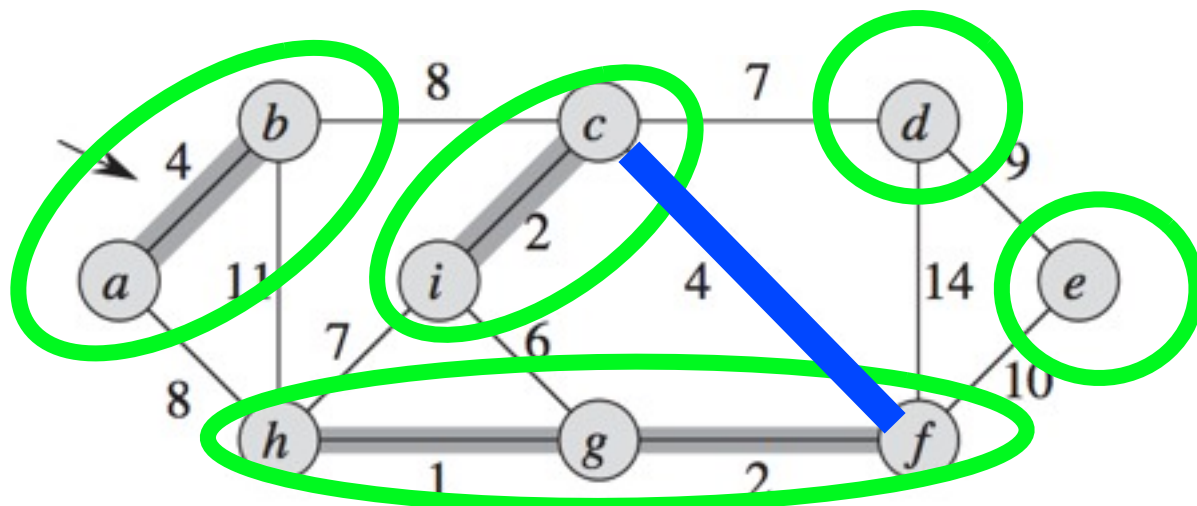
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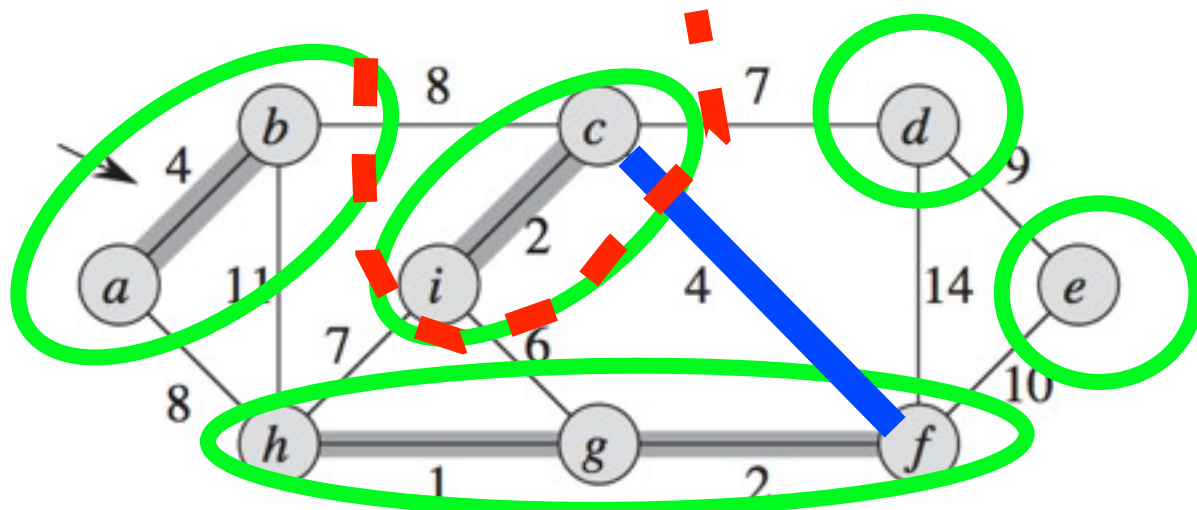
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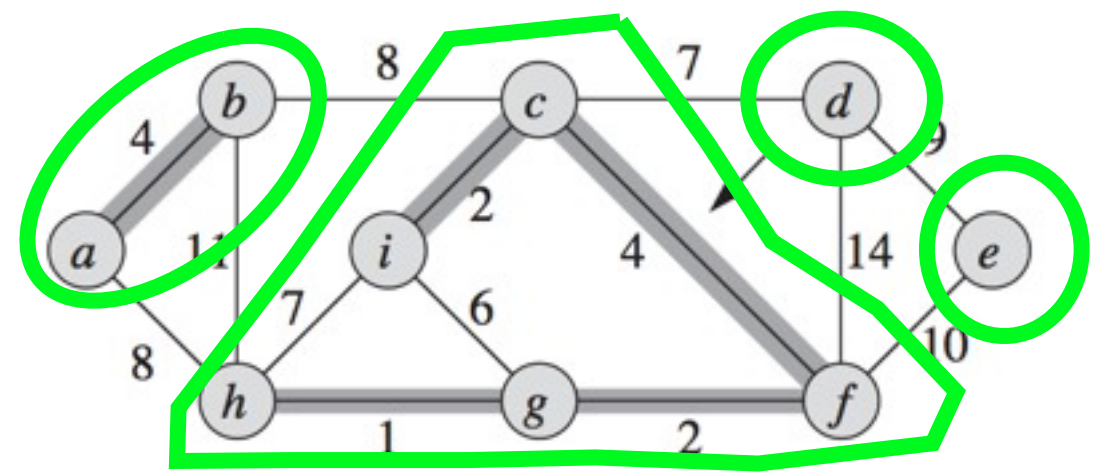
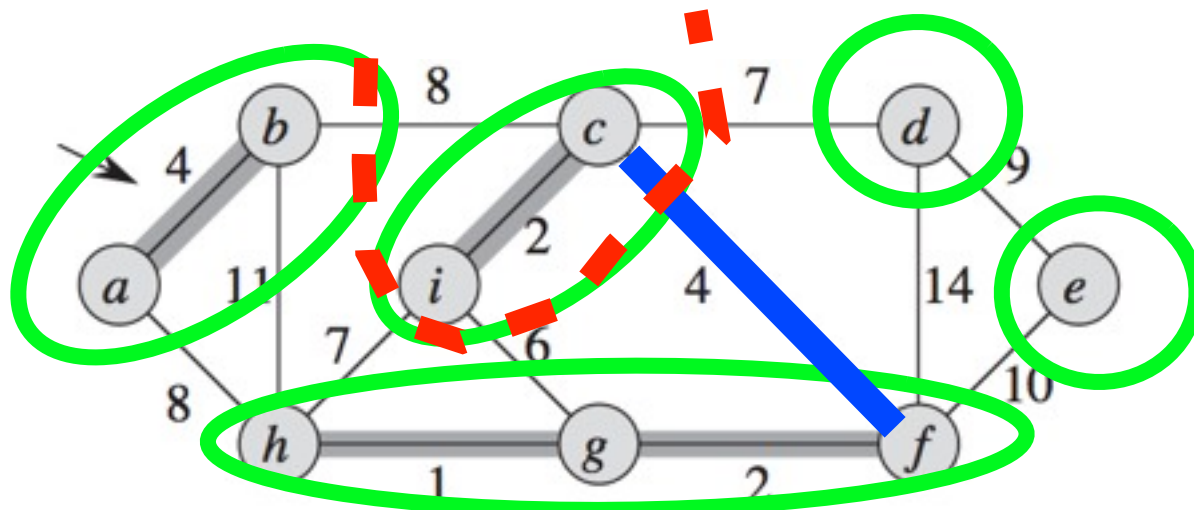
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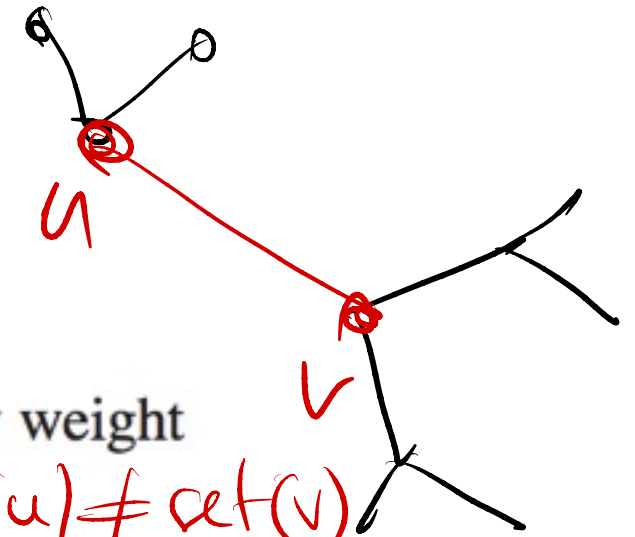
# Kruskal algorithm

MST-KRUSKAL( $G, w$ )

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1   $A = \emptyset$ 
2  for each vertex  $v \in G.V$ 
3      MAKE-SET( $v$ )
4  sort the edges of  $G.E$  into nondecreasing order by weight  $w$ 
5  for each edge  $(u, v) \in G.E$ , taken in nondecreasing order by weight
6      if FIND-SET( $u$ )  $\neq$  FIND-SET( $v$ )
7           $A = A \cup \{(u, v)\}$ 
8      UNION( $u, v$ )
9  return  $A$ 

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$\alpha(u)$   $\leftarrow$  if FIND-SET( $u$ )  $\neq$  FIND-SET( $v$ )  $\rightarrow$  check set( $u$ )  $\neq$  set( $v$ )  
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 $\alpha(v) \leq 5$  in practice  
 $\alpha(v) \rightarrow \infty$  very very slow in theory

- Kruskal is simple
- implementation and running time depend on FIND-SET and UNION operations on the disjoint-set forest.

— chapter 21 in the book, optional material for this course

- running time  $O(E \log V)$

$O(E \log E + E \alpha(V))$   
 $\downarrow$  sort edges  
 $\downarrow$  set (find, union)

# MST algorithm comparison

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- if you know graph density (edges to vertices)

	Kruskal	Prim with array implement.	Prim w/ binomial heap	Prim w/ Fibonacci heap	in practice
sparse graph $E=O(V)$	$O(V \log V)$	$O(V^2)$	$O(V \log V)$	$O(V \log V)$	Kruskal, or Prim+binom heap
dense graph $E=\Theta(V^2)$	$O(V^2 \log V)$	$O(V^2)$	$O(V^2 \log V)$	$O(V^2)$	Prim with array
avg density $E=\Theta(V \log V)$	$O(V \log^2 V)$	$O(V^2)$	$O(V \log^2 V)$	$O(V \log V)$	Prim with Fib heap, if graph is large