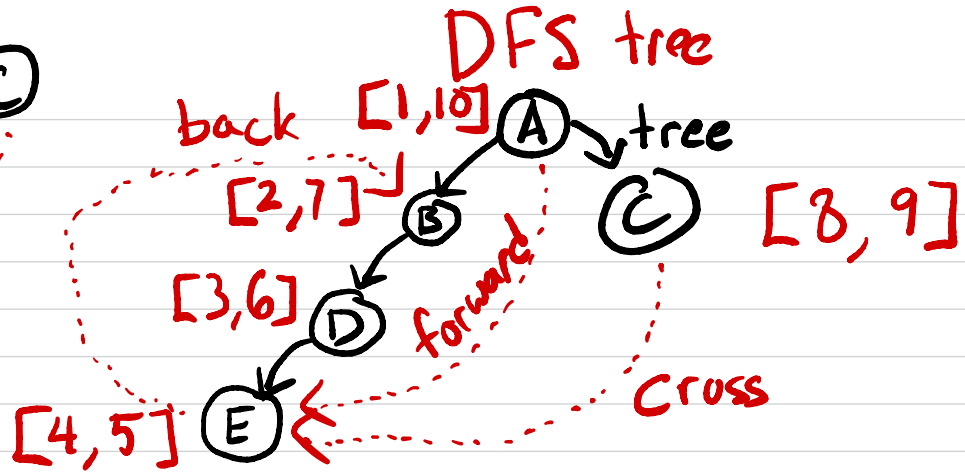
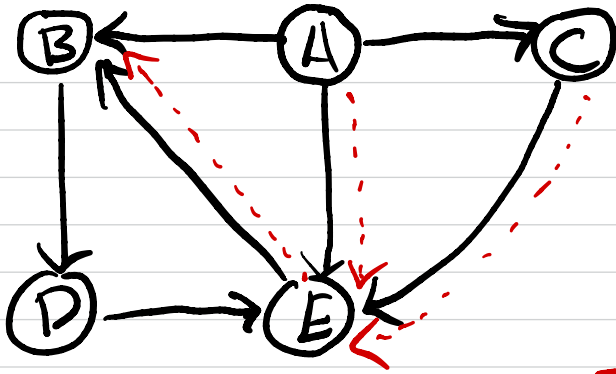


Directed

graphs



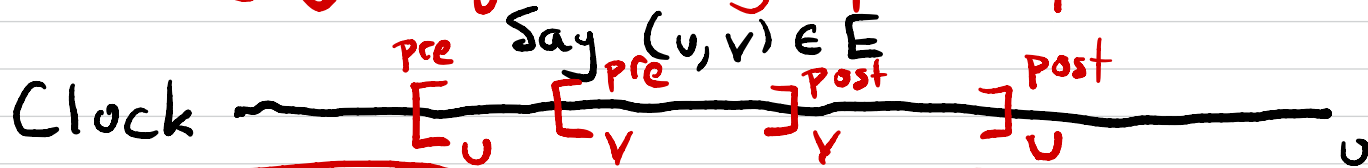
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explore(G, u)
  visited[u] = true
  pre[u] = clock
  clock = clock + 1
  for v s.t. (u, v) ∈ E
    is visited[v] = false
      explore(G, v)
  post[u] = clock
  clock = clock + 1
  
```

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dfs(G)
  boolean array visited [n]
    (init to all 0)
  clock = 1
  int array pre [n], post [n]
  for all v ∈ V
    if visited[v] = false
      explore(G, v)
  
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# Classifying edges using pre & post #'s



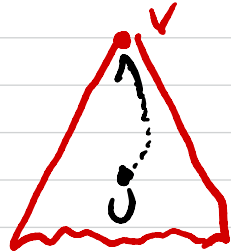
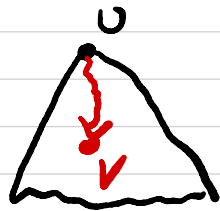
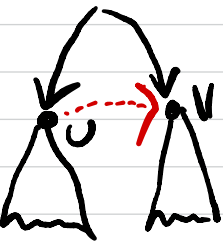
$[u [v ]v ]u$  : tree, forward

$[u ]u [v ]v$  : impossible

$[ ]v [ ]u$  : cross

$[v [u ]u ]v$  : back

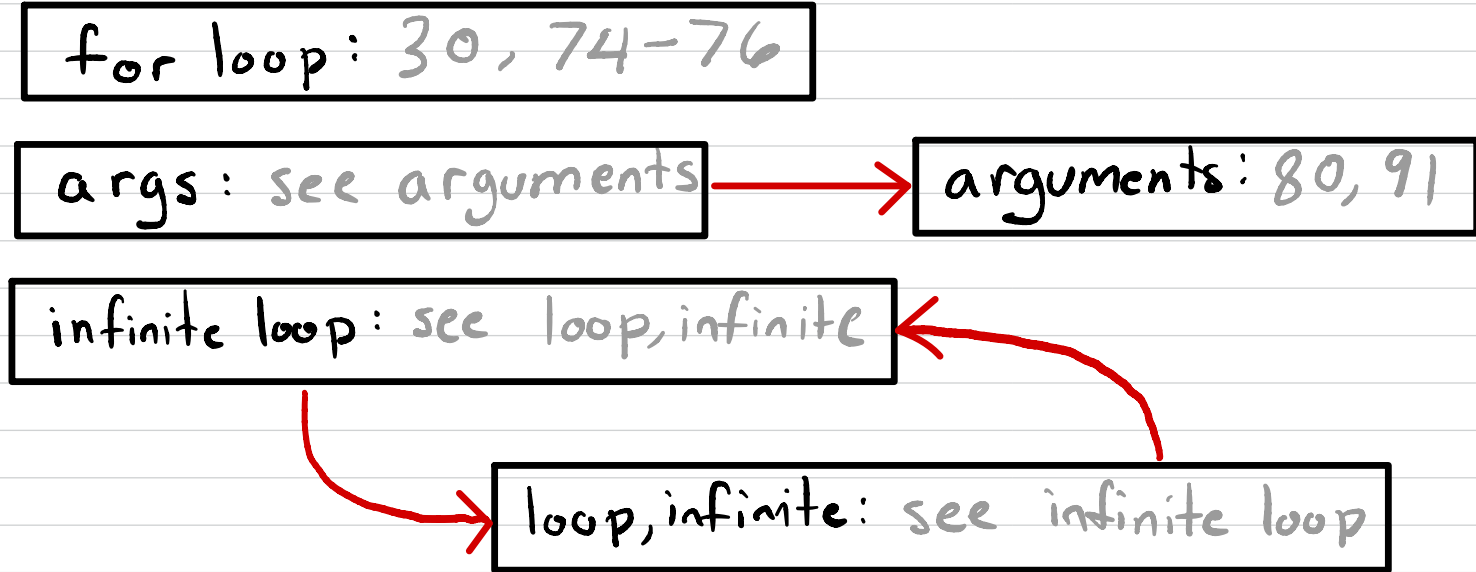
$[u [v ]u ]v$  : impossible



Fact:  $(u,v)$  is back edge  $\iff \text{post}(u) < \text{post}(v)$

# Application # 1: Cycle detection

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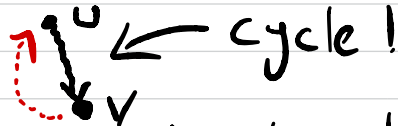


Q: Does my graph have a cycle?

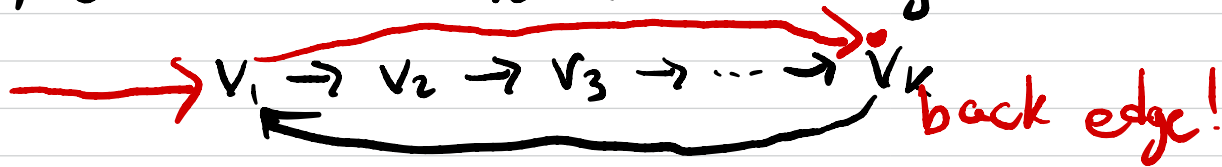
Def: A directed acyclic graph (DAG)  
is a directed graph w/ no cycles.

Claim: Suppose we run DFS on  $G$ .  
Then  $G$  is a DAG iff no back edges.

Pf: (1) If back edge  $\Rightarrow G$  is not a DAG.

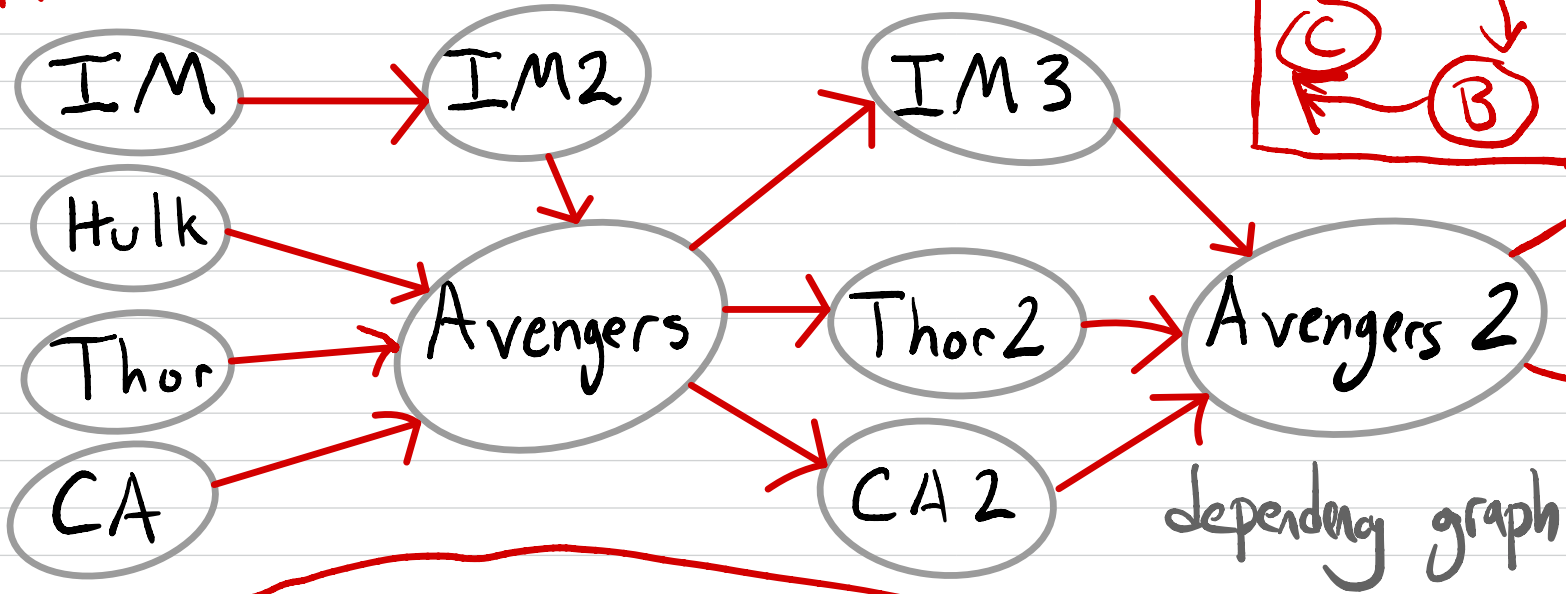
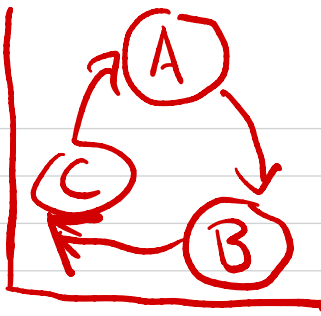


(2)  $G$  is not a DAG  $\Rightarrow$  back edge



Cycle detection alg: Run DFS.  
Output "DAG" if no back edges  
( $\forall (u,v) \in E$ , check  $\text{post}(u) > \text{post}(v)$ )

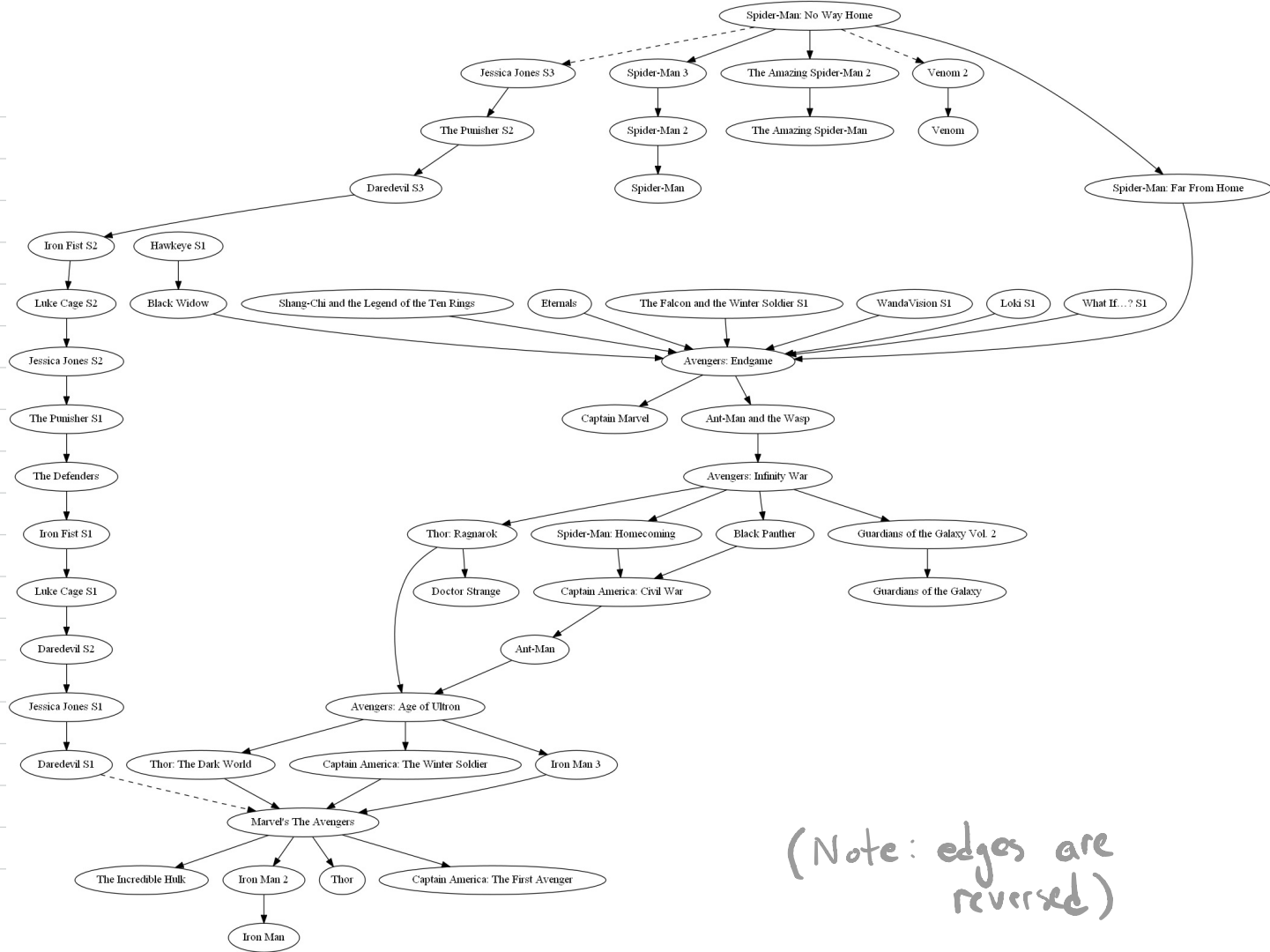
# Application #2: Topological Sort



dependency graph

Output:



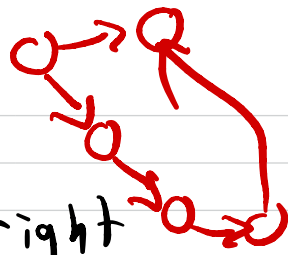


(Note: edges are reversed)

# Topological sort

Input: DAG  $G=(V,E)$

Output: Ordering of vertices  $v_1, \dots, v_n$   
s.t. all edges go left  $\rightarrow$  right



Claim: Suppose we DFS on  $G$ .

Then for all  $(u,v) \in E$ ,  $\text{post}(u) > \text{post}(v)$ .

Pf:  $G$  is a DAG  $\Rightarrow$  no back edges

$\Rightarrow \text{post}(u) > \text{post}(v)$  for all edges.  $\square$

Alg: Run DFS on  $G$ .

Sort vertices from highest to lowest post #.

Output:

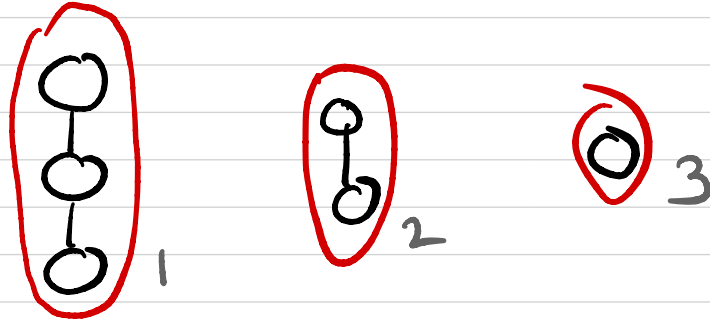
Post	Post	Post
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# Application # 3: Connected components

Undirected:



Directed:

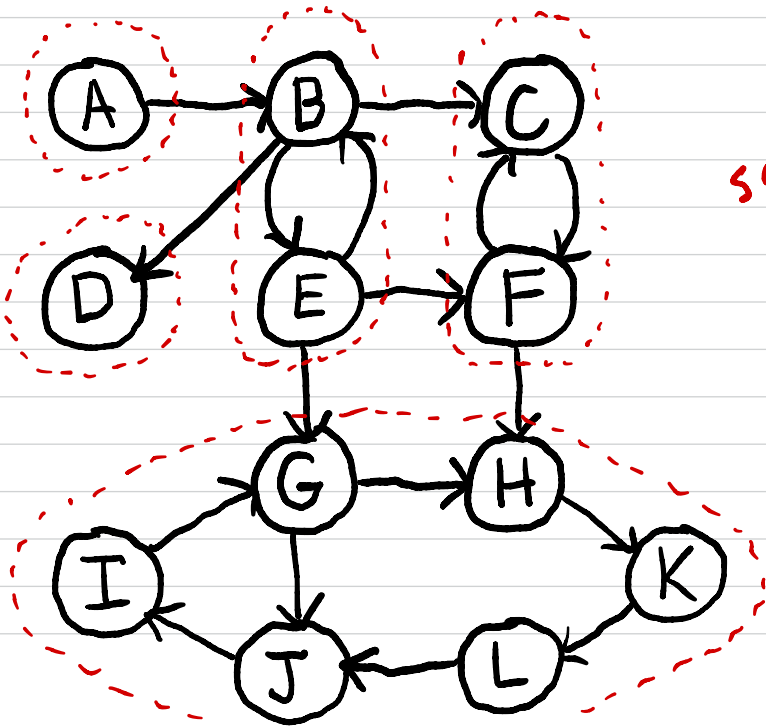


- Questions:
1. How do we define connected components in digraphs?
  2. How do we compute them?

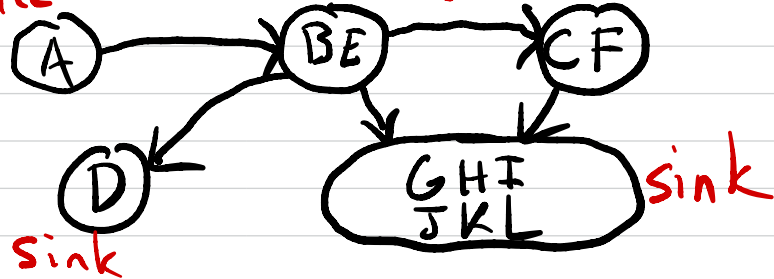
# Strongly Connected Components (SCCs)

Def: Vertices  $u$  and  $v$  are **strongly connected** if there is a path from  $u$  to  $v$  and  $v$  to  $u$

Claim:  $u \sim v$  is an equivalence relation (i) reflexive  
(ii) symmetric  
(iii) transitive



source The Meta-graph



Claim: The metagraph is a DAG,

Today: Algorithm to compute SCCs

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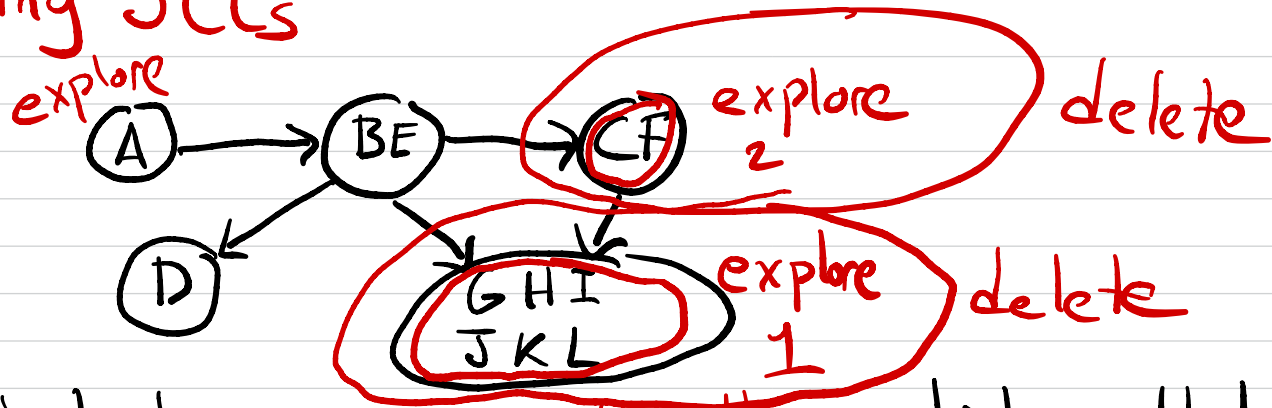
1978

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1981

# Computing SCCs



Suppose we had a **magic algorithm** which could tell us a vertex  $u$  in a sink SCC

If we explore starting at  $u$ ,  
we explore all vertices in  $u$ 's SCC.

**Magic algorithm:** DFS! (with a twist)