

# Graph Search Algorithms

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- Complexity analysis
  - Complexity measures
  - Asymptotic notation
- Data structure
  - Why data structure?
  - Stacks and queues
  - $d$ -heaps

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# What are search algorithms?

- Search algorithms are techniques to find **nodes with special properties**
  - ① Find all nodes that are reachable by directed paths from a specific node
  - ② Find all the nodes that can reach a specific node along directed paths
- They can also be utilized (as subroutines) to certify **graph properties**
  - ① Check connectivity and find strongly connected components
  - ② Identify a directed cycle, if no exists, find a topological ordering
  - ③ Determining whether a given network is bipartite
- Some search algorithms find certain **objects in graphs**
  - ① Find Eulerian circuits

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## Some details

- How to know if nodes are explored or not
  - Designate all the nodes as being in one of the two states
    - 1 marked: explored
    - 2 unmarked: yet to be explored
  - Mark an unmarked node  $j$  if  $j$  is explored from marked  $i$
- Predecessor relationship: when  $j$  is marked from  $i$ , set  $\text{pred}(j) = i$
- Traversal order: record the order the marked nodes are traversed

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## Algorithm Search

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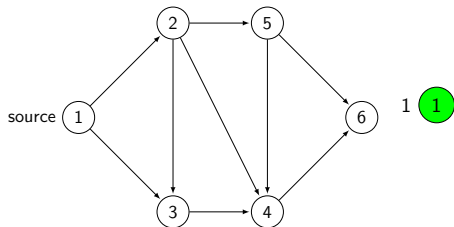
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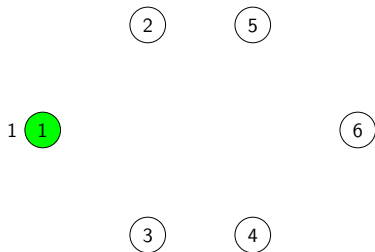
Admissible arc  $(i, j)$ : node  $i$  is marked, and node  $j$  is not



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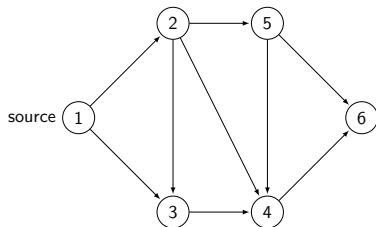


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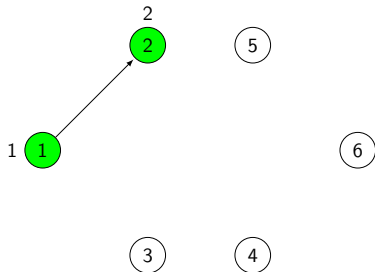
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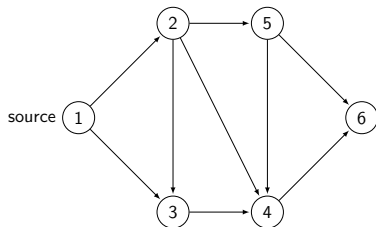


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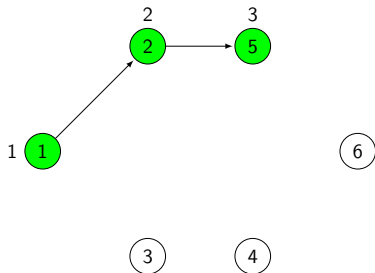
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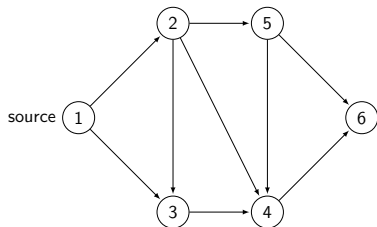


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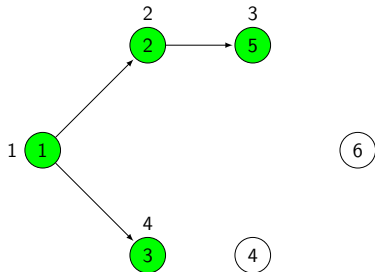
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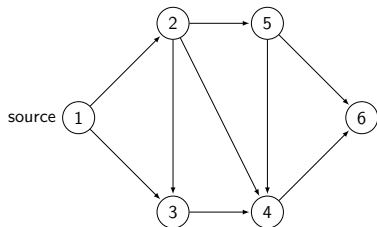


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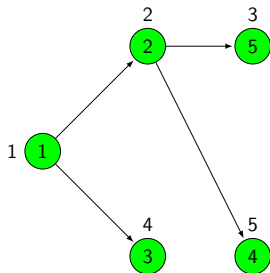
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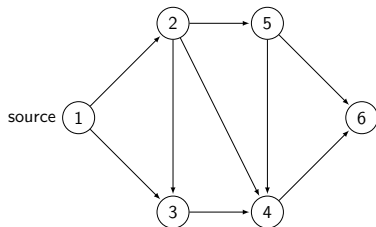


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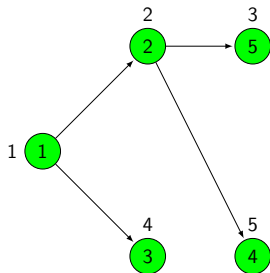
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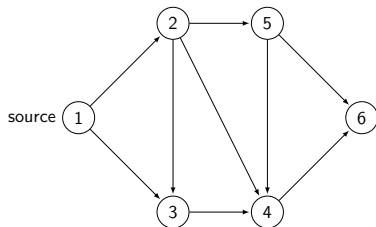


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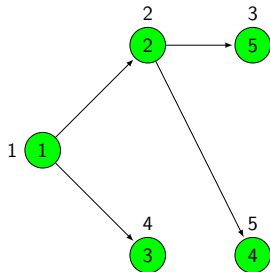
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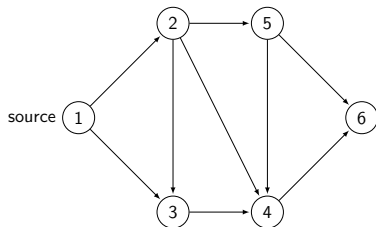


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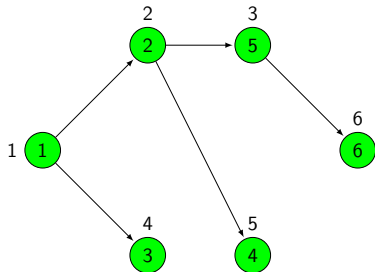
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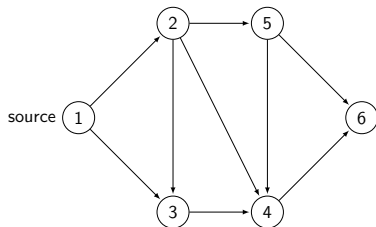
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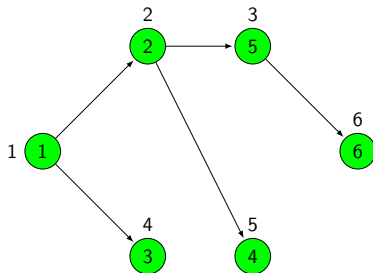
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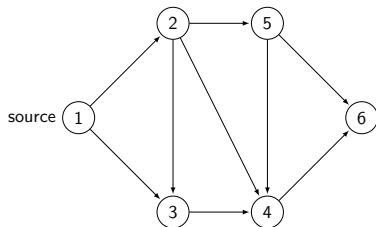


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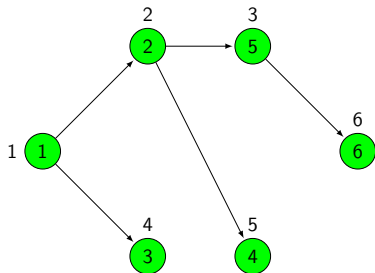
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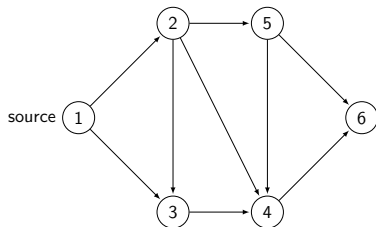


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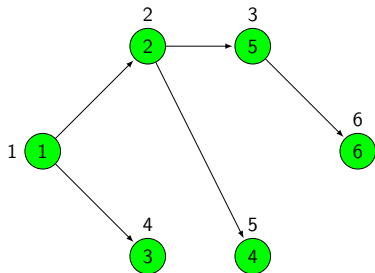
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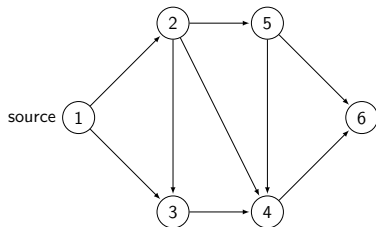


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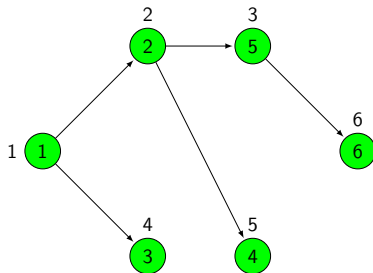
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- Implementation using queues: breadth-first search
- Implementation using stacks: depth-first search



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Forward search vs reverse search

- Forward search creates a directed out-tree rooted at source  $s$
- Reverse search creates a directed in-tree rooted at destination  $t$

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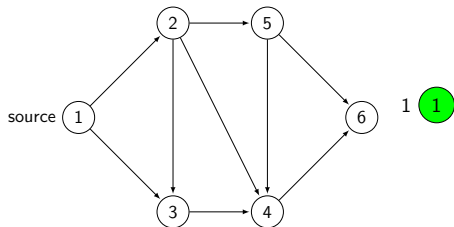
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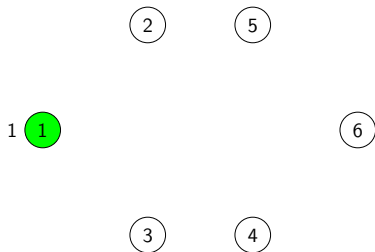
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- If LIST is maintained as a queue (FIFO), we get **breadth-first search**
- Explore all neighbors, then all neighbors of neighbors and so on

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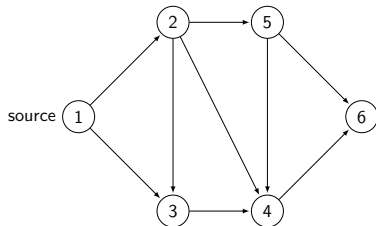


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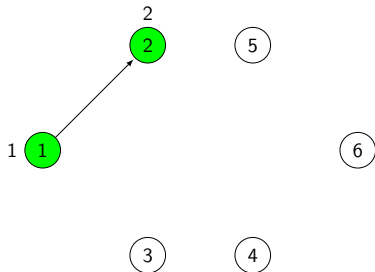
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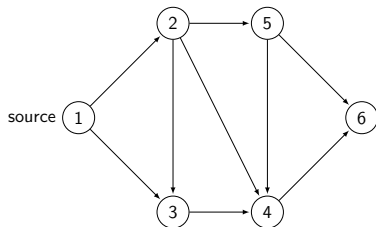


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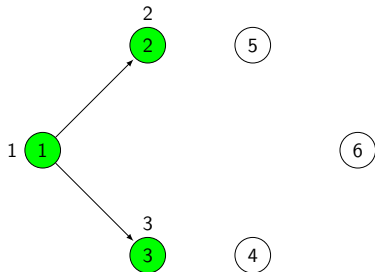
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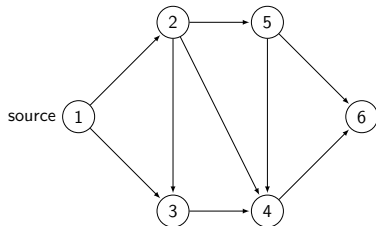
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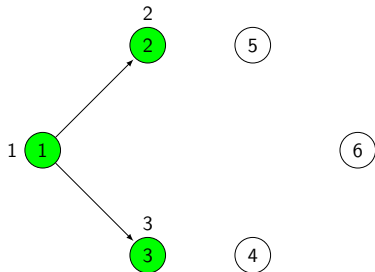
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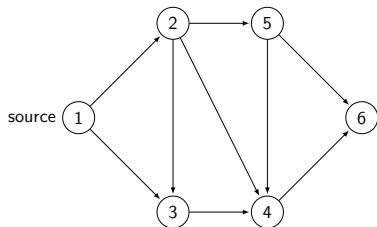


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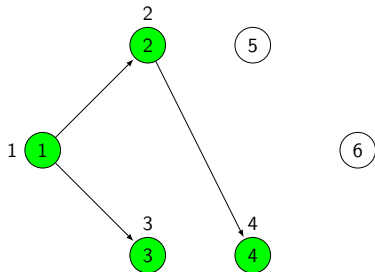
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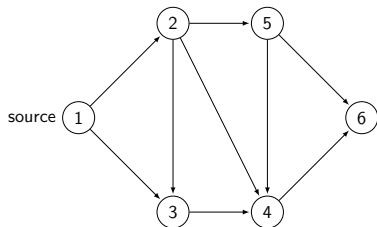


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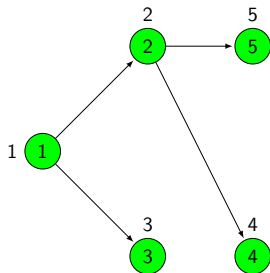
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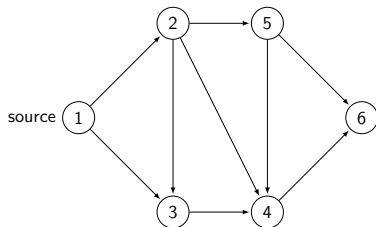


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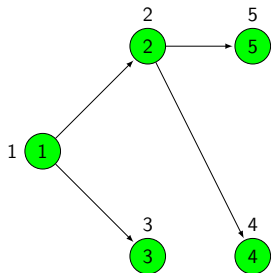
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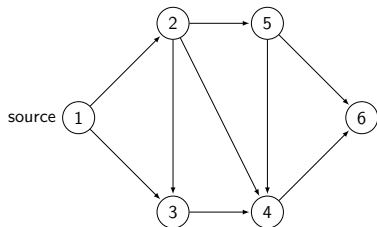


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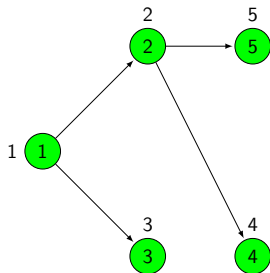
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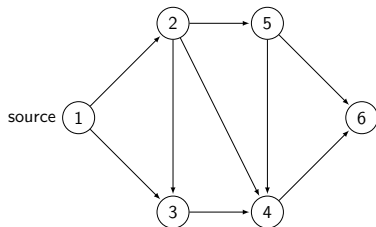


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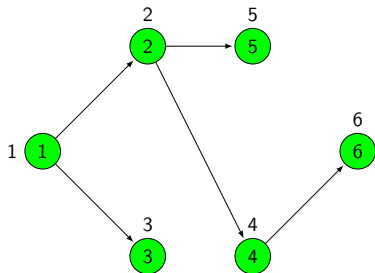
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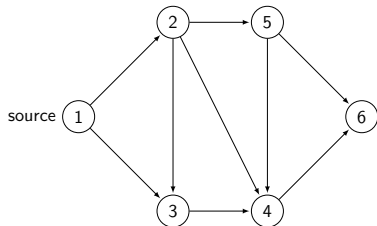


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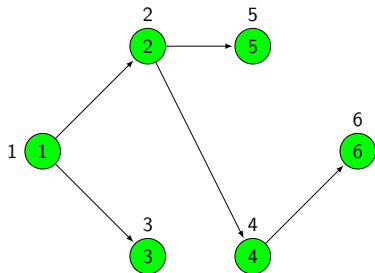
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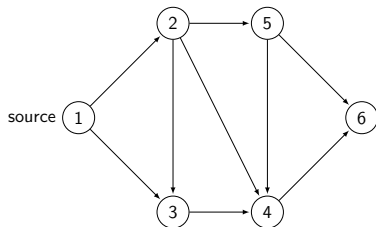


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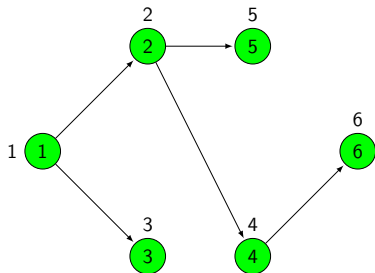
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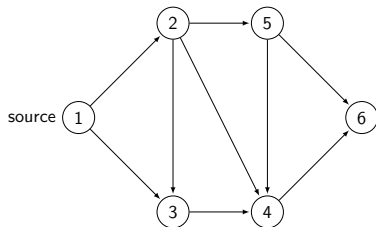
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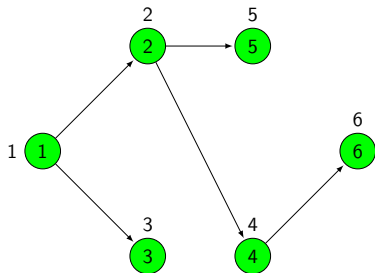
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# Breadth-first search: properties

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## Algorithm Search

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12:     $\text{next} \leftarrow \text{next} + 1$ 
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17:   end if
18: end while
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## Properties of BFS

In a breadth-first search tree, the tree path from the source node  $s$  to any node  $i$  is a shortest path (i.e., contains the fewest number of arcs among all paths from  $s$  to  $i$ ).

# Depth-first search: procedure

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## Algorithm Search

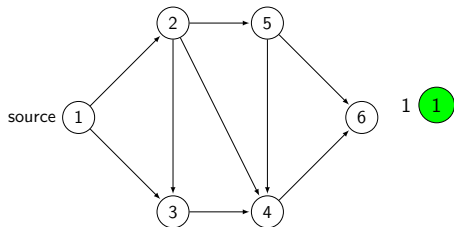
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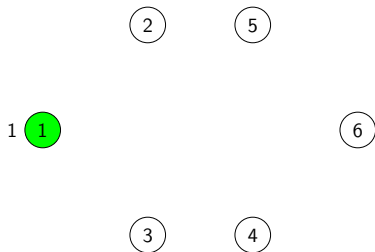
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- If LIST is maintained as a stack (FILO), we get **depth-first search**
- Create a path as long as possible, until no new node can be marked

# DFS: an example



(a) A directed graph

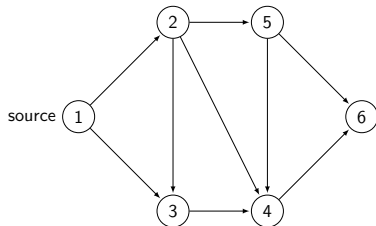


(b) Search process

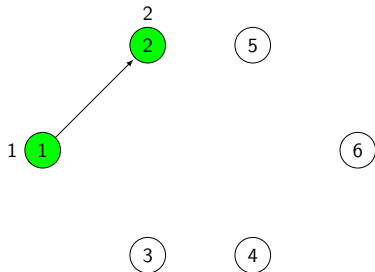
- 1 Mark node 1 (source)
- 2  $\text{pred}(1) \leftarrow 0$
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LIST={1}

# DFS: an example



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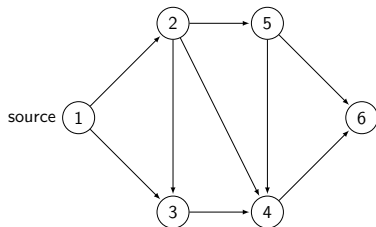


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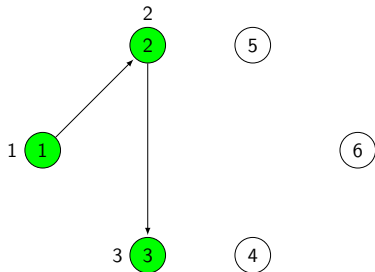
- 1 Pick node 1 from LIST
- 2 Node 1 has an admissible arc (1, 2)
- 3 Mark node 2
- 4  $\text{pred}(2) \leftarrow 1$
- 5  $\text{next} \leftarrow 2$
- 6  $\text{order}(2) \leftarrow \text{next}$
- 7 Add 2 to LIST

LIST = {1, 2}

# DFS: an example



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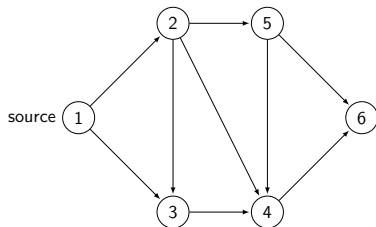


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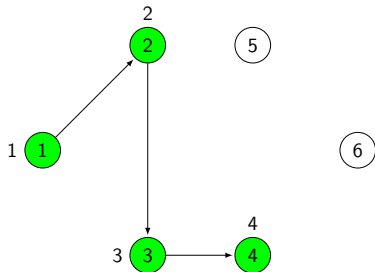
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- 3 Mark node 3
- 4  $\text{pred}(3) \leftarrow 2$
- 5  $\text{next} \leftarrow 3$
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- 7 Add 3 to LIST

LIST = {1, 2, 3}

# DFS: an example



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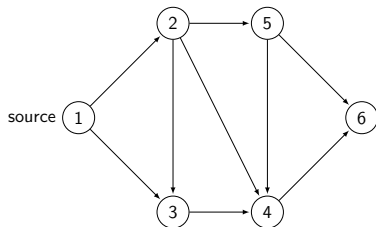


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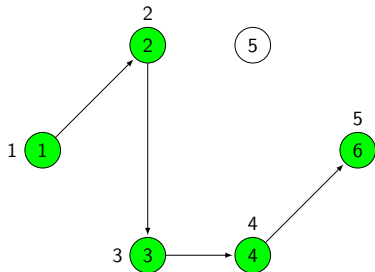
- 1 Pick node 3 from LIST
- 2 Node 3 has an admissible arc (3, 4)
- 3 Mark node 4
- 4  $\text{pred}(4) \leftarrow 3$
- 5  $\text{next} \leftarrow 4$
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- 7 Add 4 to LIST

LIST = {1, 2, 3, 4}

# DFS: an example



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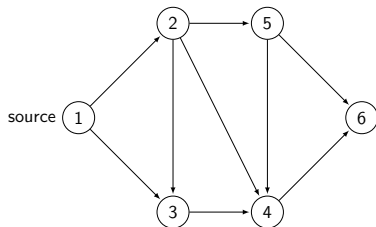
(b) Search process

- 1 Pick node 4 from LIST
- 2 Node 4 has an admissible arc (4, 6)
- 3 Mark node 6
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- 5  $\text{next} \leftarrow 5$
- 6  $\text{order}(6) \leftarrow \text{next}$
- 7 Add 4 to LIST

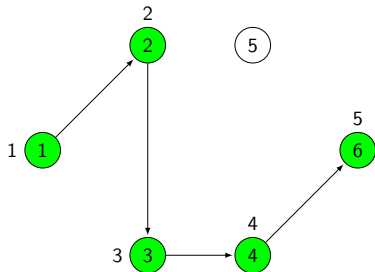
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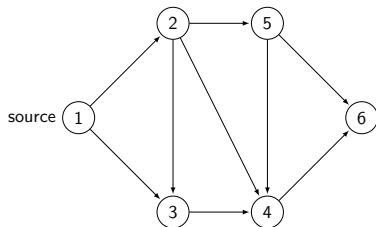


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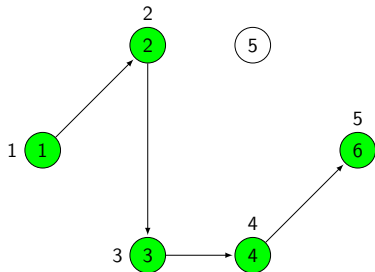
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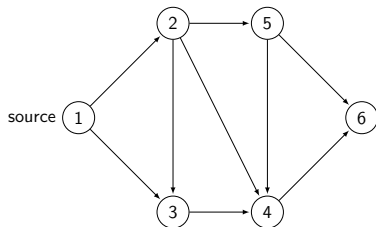


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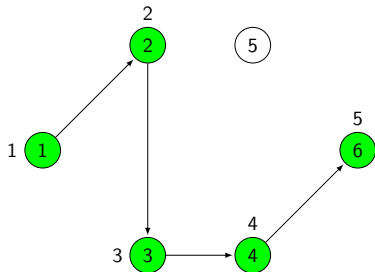
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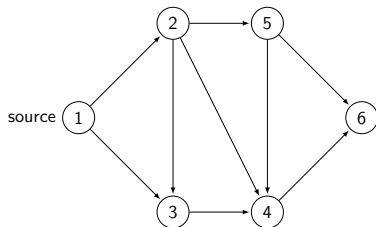


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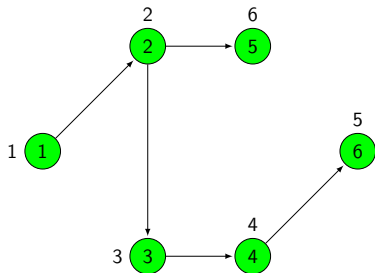
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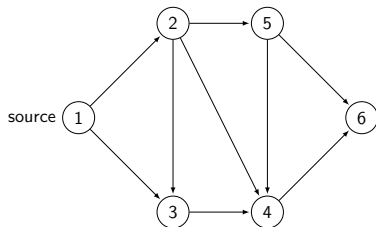


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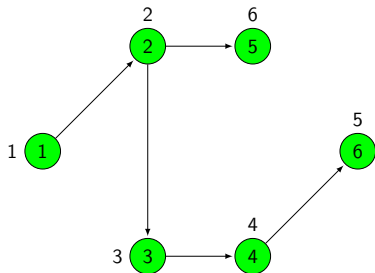
- 1 Pick node 2 from LIST
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- 7 Add 5 to LIST

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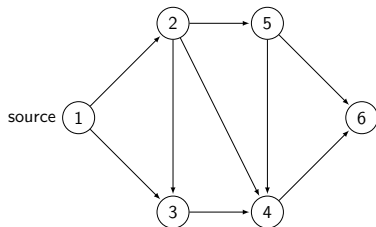


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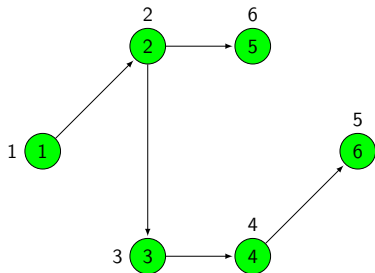
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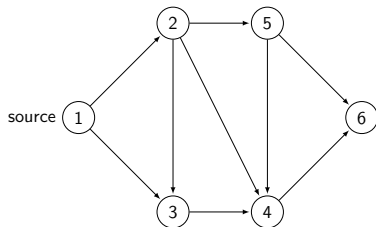


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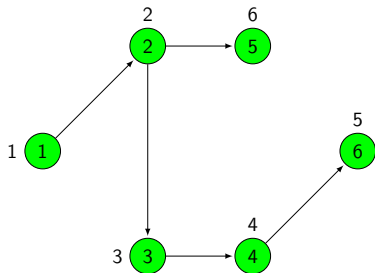
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# DFS: an example



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# Depth-first search: properties

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## Algorithm Search

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## Properties of DFS

- 1 If node  $j$  is a descendant of node  $i$  and  $j \neq i$ , then  $\text{order}(j) > \text{order}(i)$
- 2 All the descendants of any node are ordered consecutively in sequence



## 1 General search algorithms

- Forward search
- Reverse search

## 2 Particular search algorithms

- Breadth-first search
- Depth-first search

## 3 Applications

- Strong connectivity
- Topological ordering
- Determining bipartite graphs
- Finding Eulerian circuits in undirected graphs

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Is it enough? YES!

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A graph  $G = (N, A)$  is strongly connected if and only if  $U = V = N$ .

# Determining strongly connected components

## Transitive closure

A transitive closure of a graph  $G = (N, A)$  is a matrix  $\Gamma = \gamma_{ij}$  defined as follows

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### Algorithm Finding SCCs

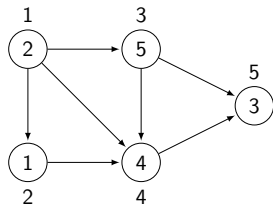
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1: Unlabel all nodes, next ← 1
2: while There are unlabeled nodes do
3:   Select an unlabeled node  $i$ ,  $\text{label}(i) \leftarrow \text{next}$ 
4:   for  $j = 1 : n$  do
5:     if  $\gamma_{ij} = 1$  and  $\gamma_{ji} = 1$  then
6:        $\text{label}(j) \leftarrow \text{next}$ 
7:     end if
8:   end for
9:   next ← next + 1
10: end while
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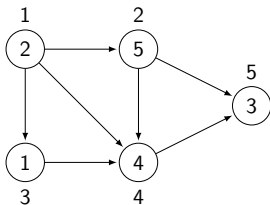
# Topological ordering

Label nodes of a network  $G = (N, A)$  by distinct numbers from 1 to  $n$

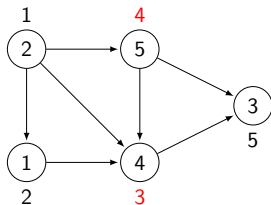
- Let  $\text{order}(i)$  be the label of node  $i$
- The labeling is a topological ordering of nodes if for every arc  $(i, j) \in A$ , we have  $\text{order}(i) < \text{order}(j)$



(a) Topologically ordered



(b) Topologically ordered



(c) Not topol. ordered

- A network might have several topological orderings
- Some networks cannot be topologically ordered

## Topological ordering

A network is acyclic if and only if it possesses a topological ordering.

### Algorithm Topological ordering

```
1: indegree( $i$ )  $\leftarrow$  0 for all  $i \in N$ 
2: for  $(i, j) \in A$  do
3:   indegree( $j$ )  $\leftarrow$  indegree( $j$ ) + 1
4: end for
5: LIST  $\leftarrow$   $\emptyset$ , next  $\leftarrow$  0
6: for  $i \in N$  do
7:   if indegree( $i$ ) = 0 then
8:     LIST  $\leftarrow$  LIST  $\cup$   $\{i\}$ 
9:   end if
10: end for
11: while LIST  $\neq$   $\emptyset$  do
12:   Select a node  $i$  from LIST and delete it
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**Repeatedly find nodes with zero indegree, delete nodes and arcs**

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Can also be done using DFS

# Trees are bipartite

Why title?

- How to partition node set  $N$  of a tree  $G = (N, A)$  into  $N_1$  and  $N_2$ ?

Spanning trees

- A spanning subgraph  $G' = (N', A')$  of  $G = (N, A)$ 
  - 1  $N' = N$
  - 2  $A' \subset A$
- A tree  $T = (N, A')$  is a spanning tree of  $G = (N, A)$  if  $T$  is a spanning subgraph
  - 1 The set of arcs  $A'$  are tree arcs
  - 2 The set of arcs  $A \setminus A'$  are nontree arcs

Spanning trees are bipartite graphs!

## Spanning trees and bipartite graphs

Given an arbitrary spanning tree  $T = (N, A')$  of a graph  $G = (N, A)$ . A graph  $G$  is bipartite if and only if for every nontree arc  $(k, \ell) \in A \setminus A'$ , the distance between node  $k$  and node  $\ell$  in  $T$  is odd.

# Determining bipartite graphs

- 1 Start from any node  $s$ , run BFS to obtain search tree  $T$
- 2 For nontree arc  $(k, \ell)$ , check parity of distance between  $k$  and  $\ell$  in  $T$

# Finding an Eulerian circuit: procedure

- Whether a graph has an Eulerian circuit can be checked in  $O(m)$ 
  - 1 Check connectivity
  - 2 Check degrees
- When there is an Eulerian circuit:

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## Algorithm Finding an Eulerian circuit

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```
1: STACK ← ∅, LIST ← ∅
2: Select an arbitrary node  $s$ 
3: STACK.add( $s$ )
4: while STACK ≠ ∅ do
5:    $i$  ← STACK.top()
6:   if  $i$  has zero degrees then
7:     LIST ← [LIST,  $i$ ]
8:     STACK.pop()
9:   else
10:    Select an edge  $(i, j) \in A$ 
11:     $A$  ←  $A \setminus \{(i, j)\}$ 
12:    STACK.add( $j$ )
13:   end if
14: end while
```

# Upcoming

## Week 1-8 (AU4606 & AI4702):

- Introduction (1 lecture)
- Preparations (3 lectures)
  - basics of graph theory
  - algorithm complexity and data structure
  - **graph search algorithm (this lecture)**
- **Shortest path problems (next lecture)**
- Maximum flow problems (5 lectures)
- Minimum cost flow problems (3 lectures)
- Introduction to multi-agent systems (1 lecture)
- Introduction to cloud networks (1 lecture)

## Week 9-16 (AU4606):

- Simplex and network simplex methods (2 lectures)
- Global minimum cut problems (3 lectures)
- Minimum spanning tree problems (3 lectures)