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# COMP2521 24T1

## Graphs (V)

### Digraph Algorithms

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digraph traversal  
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Reminder: **directed graphs** are graphs where...

- Each edge  $(v, w)$  has a **source**  $v$  and a **destination**  $w$
- Unlike undirected graphs,  $v \rightarrow w \neq w \rightarrow v$

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domain	vertex is...	edge is...
WWW	web page	hyperlink
chess	board state	legal move
scheduling	task	precedence
program	function	function call
journals	article	citation
make	target	dependency

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Same as for undirected graphs:

```
bfs( $G$ ,  $src$ ):  
    initialise visited array  
    mark  $src$  as visited  
    enqueue  $src$  into  $Q$   
    while  $Q$  is not empty:  
         $v$  = dequeue from  $Q$   
        for each edge  $(v, w)$  in  $G$ :  
            if  $w$  has not been visited:  
                mark  $w$  as visited  
                enqueue  $w$  into  $Q$ 
```

```
dfs( $G$ ,  $src$ ):  
    initialise visited array  
    dfsRec( $G$ ,  $src$ , visited)
```

```
dfsRec( $G$ ,  $v$ , visited):  
    mark  $v$  as visited  
    for each edge  $(v, w)$  in  $G$ :  
        if  $w$  has not been visited:  
            dfsRec( $G$ ,  $w$ , visited)
```

## Web crawling

Visit a subset of the web...

...to index

...to cache locally

Which traversal method? BFS or DFS?

Note: we can't use a visited array, as we don't know how many webpages there are. Instead, use a visited **set**.

## Web crawling algorithm:

```
webCrawl(startingUrl, maxPagesToVisit):
```

```
    create visited set
```

```
    add startingUrl to visited set
```

```
    enqueue startingUrl into  $Q$ 
```

```
    numPagesVisited = 0
```

```
    while  $Q$  is not empty and numPagesVisited < maxPagesToVisit:
```

```
        currPage = dequeue from  $Q$ 
```

```
        visit currPage
```

```
        numPagesVisited = numPagesVisited + 1
```

```
        for each hyperlink on currPage:
```

```
            if hyperlink not in visited set:
```

```
                add hyperlink to visited set
```

```
                enqueue hyperlink into  $Q$ 
```

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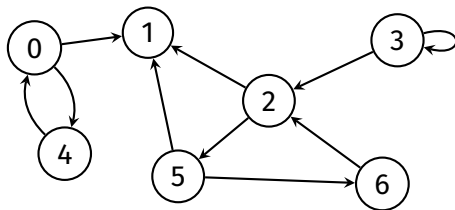
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In directed graphs,  
a **cycle** is a directed path  
where the start vertex = end vertex



This graph has three distinct cycles:  
0-4-0, 2-5-6-2, 3-3

**Recall:** Cycle checking for undirected graphs:

```
hasCycle( $G$ ):  
    initialise visited array to false  
    for each vertex  $v$  in  $G$ :  
        if visited[ $v$ ] = false:  
            if dfsHasCycle( $G$ ,  $v$ ,  $v$ , visited):  
                return true  
  
    return false  
  
dfsHasCycle( $G$ ,  $v$ ,  $prev$ , visited):  
    visited[ $v$ ] = true  
  
    for each edge  $(v, w)$  in  $G$ :  
        if  $w = prev$ :  
            continue  
        if visited[ $w$ ] = true:  
            return true  
        else if dfsHasCycle( $G$ ,  $w$ ,  $v$ , visited):  
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```
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```

Does this work for  
directed graphs?

No

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## Problem #1

Algorithm ignores edge to previous vertex  
and therefore does not detect the following cycle:



Simple fix: Don't ignore edge to previous vertex

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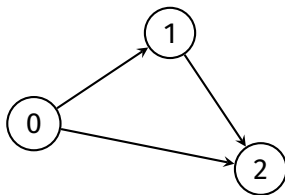
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            return true  
  
    return false
```

Does this work for  
directed graphs?

No!

## Problem #2

Algorithm can detect cycles when there is none,  
for example:



Algorithm starts at 0, recurses into 1 and 2,  
backtracks to 0, sees that 2 has been visited,  
and concludes there is a cycle

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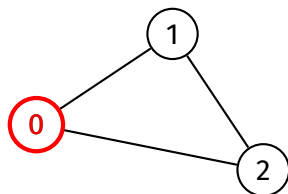
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Consider a cycle check on this graph (starting at 0):

`cycle(0, prev=0)`

call stack

	[0]	[1]	[2]
visited	1	0	0

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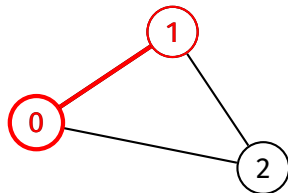
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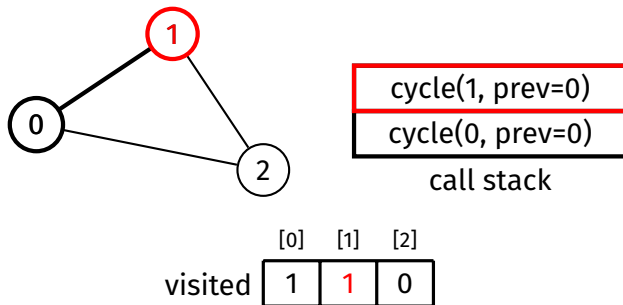
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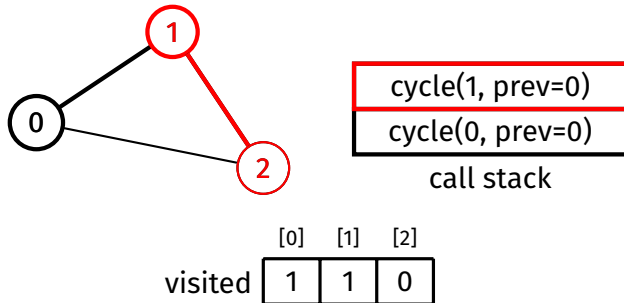




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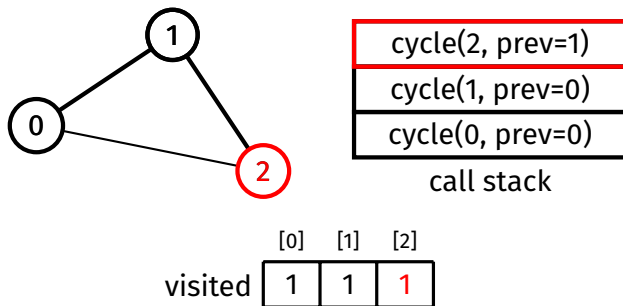
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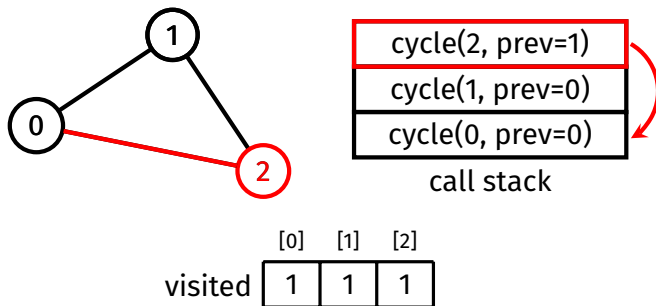
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To properly detect a cycle,  
check if neighbour is already on the call stack

When the graph is undirected,  
this can be done by checking the visited array,  
but this doesn't work for directed graphs!

Need to use separate array to  
keep track of when a vertex is on the call stack

```
hasCycle( $G$ ):
    create visited array, initialised to false
    create onStack array, initialised to false

    for each vertex  $v$  in  $G$ :
        if visited[ $v$ ] = false:
            if dfsHasCycle( $G$ ,  $v$ , visited, onStack):
                return true

    return false

dfsHasCycle( $G$ ,  $v$ , visited, onStack):
    visited[ $v$ ] = true
    onStack[ $v$ ] = true

    for each edge  $(v, w)$  in  $G$ :
        if onStack[ $w$ ] = true:
            return true
        else if visited[ $w$ ] = false:
            if dfsHasCycle( $G$ ,  $w$ , visited, onStack):
                return true

    onStack[ $v$ ] = false
    return false
```

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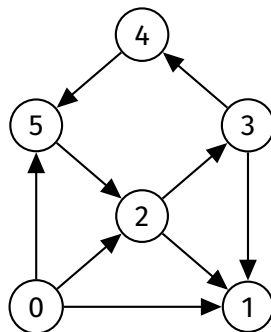
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Check if a cycle exists in this graph:



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Problem: computing **reachability**

Given a digraph  $G$  it is potentially useful to know:

- Is vertex  $t$  **reachable** from vertex  $s$ ?

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One way to implement a reachability check:

- Use BFS or DFS starting at  $s$ 
  - This is  $O(V + E)$  in the worst case
  - Only feasible if reachability is an infrequent operation

What about applications that frequently need to check reachability?



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## Idea

Construct a  $V \times V$  matrix  
that tells us whether there is a **path** (not edge)  
from  $s$  to  $t$ , for  $s, t \in V$

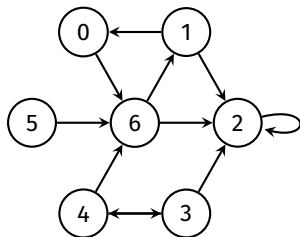
This matrix is called the **transitive closure** (tc) matrix  
(or reachability matrix)

$tc[s][t]$  is true if there is a path from  $s$  to  $t$ , false otherwise

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	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]
[0]	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
[1]	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
[2]	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
[3]	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
[4]	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
[5]	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
[6]	0	1	1	0	0	0	0

adjacency matrix

	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]
[0]	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
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reachability matrix

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One way to compute reachability matrix:

- Perform BFS/DFS from every vertex

Another way  $\Rightarrow$  Warshall's algorithm:

- Simple algorithm that does not require a graph traversal

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## Idea of Warshall's algorithm:

- There is a path from  $s$  to  $t$  if:
  - There is an edge from  $s$  to  $t$ , or
  - There is a path from  $s$  to  $t$  via vertex 0, or
  - There is a path from  $s$  to  $t$  via vertex 0 and/or 1, or
  - There is a path from  $s$  to  $t$  via vertex 0, 1 and/or 2, or
  - ...
  - There is a path from  $s$  to  $t$  via any of the other vertices

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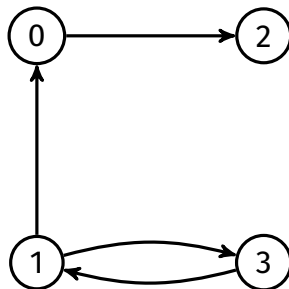
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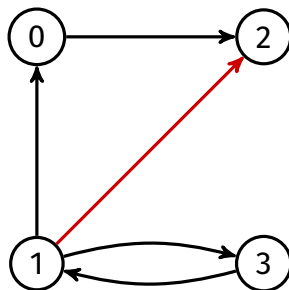
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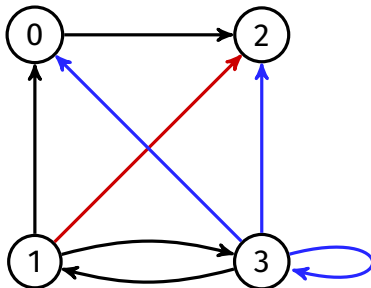
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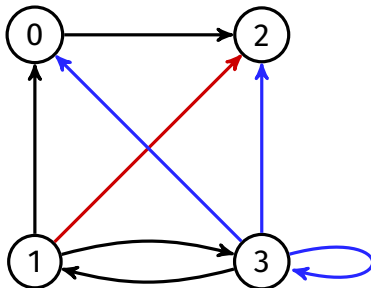
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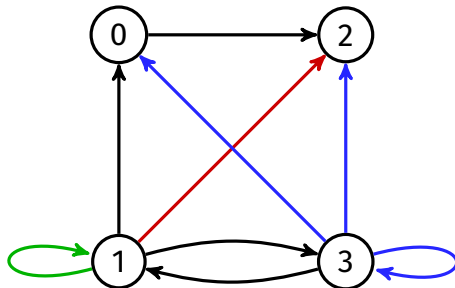
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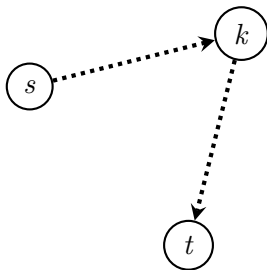
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On the  $k$ -th iteration

If we have:

- (1) a path from  $s$  to  $k$
  - (2) a path from  $k$  to  $t$
- (using only vertices  $0$  to  $k - 1$ )

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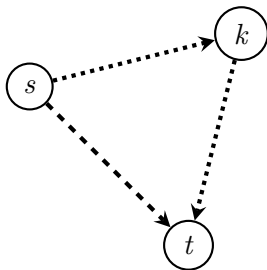
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Then we have a path from  $s$  to  $t$   
using vertices from  $0$  to  $k$

```
if tc[s][k] and tc[k][t]:  
    tc[s][t] = true
```

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Algorithms`warshall(A):``Input:  $n \times n$  adjacency matrix  $A$` `Output:  $n \times n$  reachability matrix``create tc matrix which is a copy of  $A$` `for each vertex  $k$  in  $G$ : // from 0 to  $n - 1$` `for each vertex  $s$  in  $G$ :``for each vertex  $t$  in  $G$ :``if  $tc[s][k]$  and  $tc[k][t]$ :  
                     $tc[s][t] = \text{true}$` `return tc`

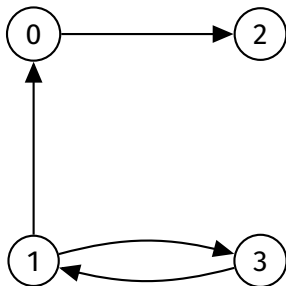
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Find transitive closure of this graph



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[1]	1	0	0	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	0	1	0	0

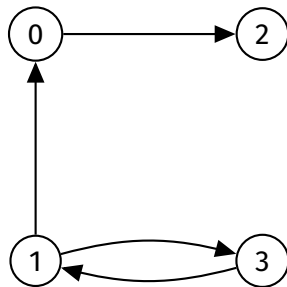
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Initialise tc with edges of original graph

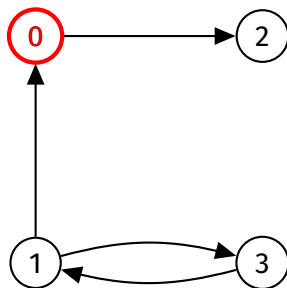


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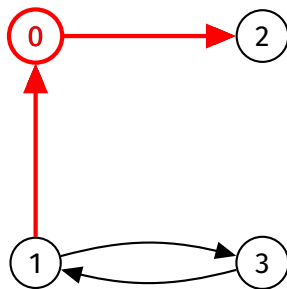
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First iteration:  $k = 0$   
There is a path  $1 \rightarrow 0$  and a path  $0 \rightarrow 2$



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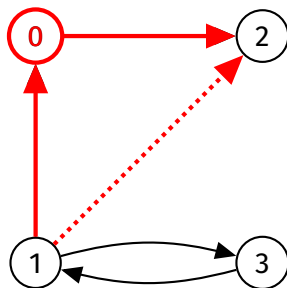
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So there is a path  $1 \rightarrow 2$



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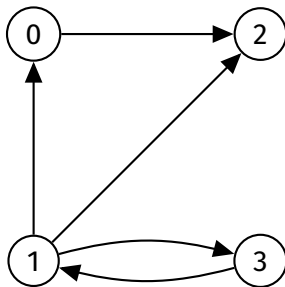
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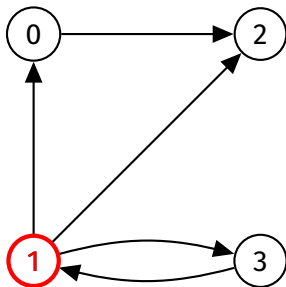


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	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	0	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	0	1	0	0

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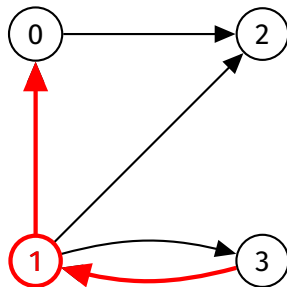
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Second iteration:  $k = 1$   
There is a path  $3 \rightarrow 1$  and a path  $1 \rightarrow 0$



	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	0	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	0	1	0	0

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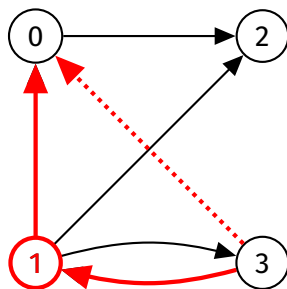
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Second iteration:  $k = 1$   
There is a path  $3 \rightarrow 1$  and a path  $1 \rightarrow 0$   
So there is a path  $3 \rightarrow 0$



	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	0	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	1	1	0	0

Traversal

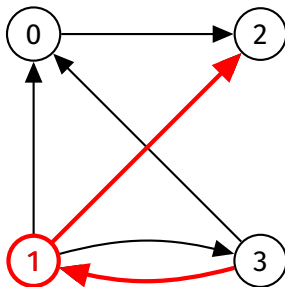
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Second iteration:  $k = 1$   
There is a path  $3 \rightarrow 1$  and a path  $1 \rightarrow 2$



	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
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[2]	0	0	0	0
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Traversal

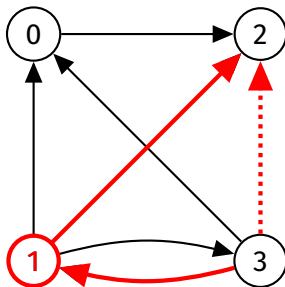
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Second iteration:  $k = 1$   
There is a path  $3 \rightarrow 1$  and a path  $1 \rightarrow 2$   
So there is a path  $3 \rightarrow 2$



	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	0	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	1	1	1	0

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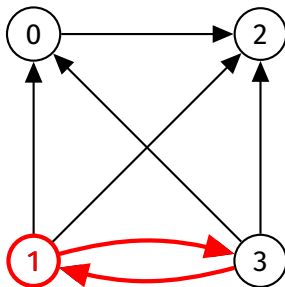
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Second iteration:  $k = 1$   
There is a path  $3 \rightarrow 1$  and a path  $1 \rightarrow 3$



	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	0	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	1	1	1	0



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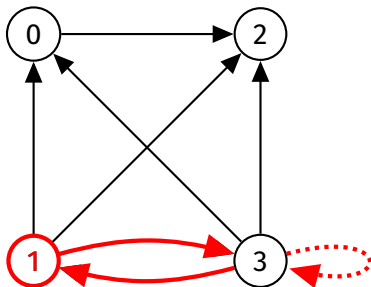
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Second iteration:  $k = 1$   
There is a path  $3 \rightarrow 1$  and a path  $1 \rightarrow 3$   
So there is a path  $3 \rightarrow 3$



	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
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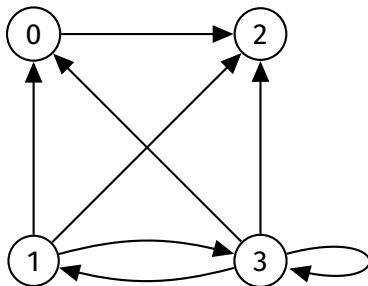
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Second iteration:  $k = 1$   
Done

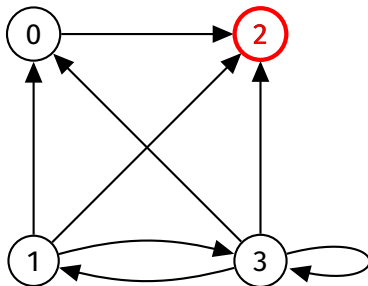


	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	0	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
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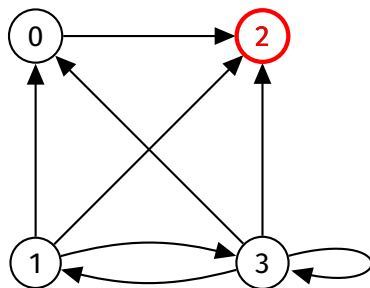
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	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	0	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	1	1	1	1

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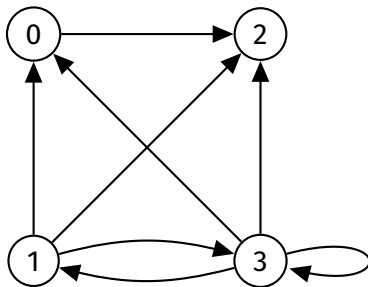
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AlgorithmsThird iteration:  $k = 2$ No pairs  $(s, t)$  such that there are paths  $s \rightarrow 2$  and  $2 \rightarrow t$ 

	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	0	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	1	1	1	1

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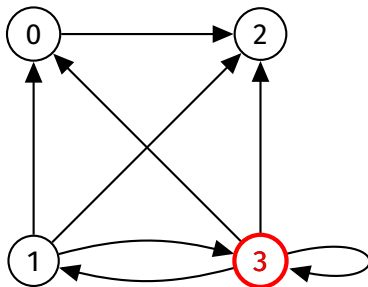
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Done

	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	0	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	1	1	1	1

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AlgorithmsFourth iteration:  $k = 3$ 

	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	0	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	1	1	1	1

Traversal

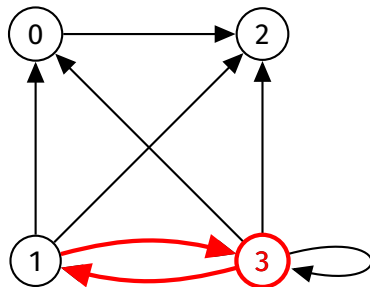
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Fourth iteration:  $k = 3$   
There is a path  $1 \rightarrow 3$  and a path  $3 \rightarrow 1$



	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	0	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	1	1	1	1

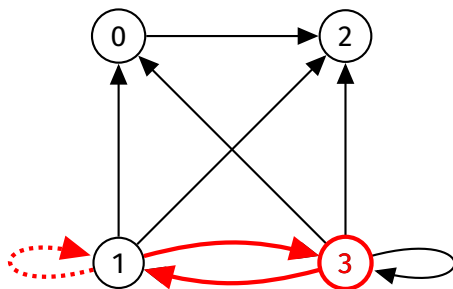
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Fourth iteration:  $k = 3$   
There is a path  $1 \rightarrow 3$  and a path  $3 \rightarrow 1$   
So there is a path  $1 \rightarrow 1$



	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	1	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	1	1	1	1



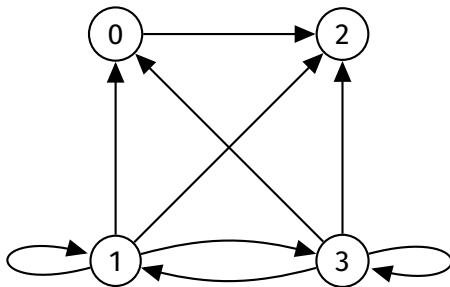
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Fourth iteration:  $k = 3$   
Done



	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	1	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	1	1	1	1

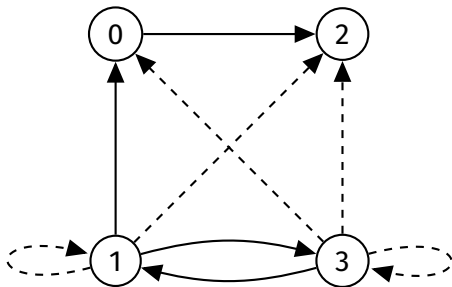
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	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	0	1	0
[1]	1	1	1	1
[2]	0	0	0	0
[3]	1	1	1	1

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## Analysis:

- Time complexity:  $O(V^3)$ 
  - Three nested loops iterating over all vertices
- Space complexity:  $O(V^2)$ 
  - Can be  $O(1)$  if overwriting the input matrix
- Benefit: checking reachability between vertices is now  $O(1)$ 
  - Makes up for slow setup ( $O(V^3)$ ) if reachability is a very frequent operation

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Strongly connected components:

- Kosaraju's algorithm
- Tarjan's algorithm

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