

CPSC 4240/5240: Parallel Programming Techniques

Lecture 13: CSR and Graphs

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What is CSR?

- CSR represents a sparse matrix using **three arrays**:
 - **Values (VAL)**: Stores all nonzero elements row-wise.
 - **Column Indices (COL)**: Stores the column indices corresponding to each nonzero element.
 - **Row Pointers (ROW_PTR)**: Marks the **starting index** of each row in the VAL and COL arrays.

Example CSR Format

- Consider the following **4×5 sparse matrix**:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Let's convert to CSR step by step

Example CSR Format

- Create the VAL array
- Store all **nonzero elements** row by row:

VAL = [3,4,5,7,8,6]

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example CSR Format

- Create the COL (Column Indices) Array
- For each nonzero element in VAL, store its **column index**:

COL=[2,4,0,3,1,4]

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- **3** is in col **2**, **4** is in col **4**
etc.

Example CSR Format

VAL = [3,4,5,7,8,6]

- Create the ROW_PTR (Row Pointers) Array
- This array marks the **start of each row** in VAL and COL:
 - Start at **0** (beginning of VAL)
 - Each row's starting index is recorded, while empty rows repeat the last index

0	0	3	0	4
0	0	0	0	0
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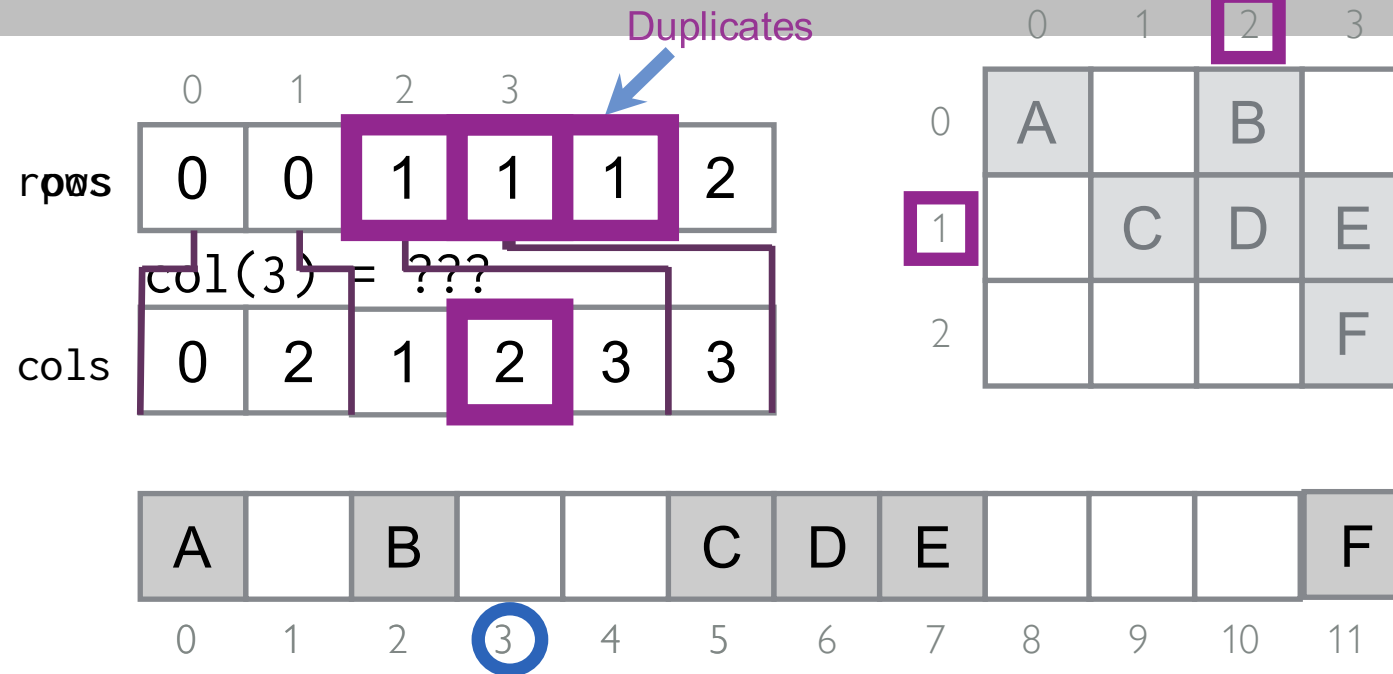
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Data Representations in CSR

	0	1	2	3
0	A		B	
1		C	D	E
2				F

Data Representations in CSR

Compressed Sparse Rows (CSR) Format
Coordinate (COO) Format

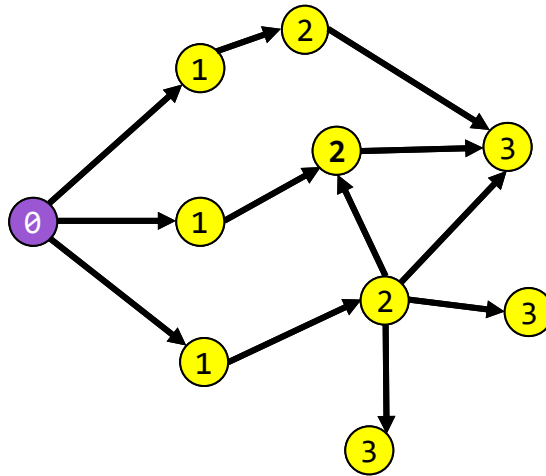


Breadth-First Search

Example use of CSR in Graph Algorithms

Breadth-First Search

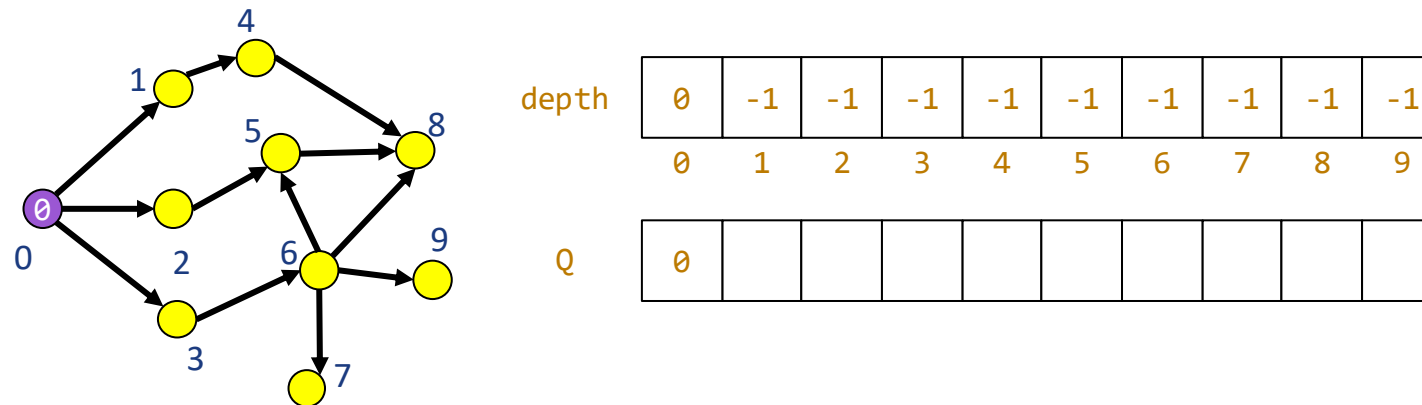
- Problem: Given a directed unweighted graph and a source vertex, find the depth of each vertex from the source



Powerful primitive in many other graph algorithms

Breadth-First Search: Sequential

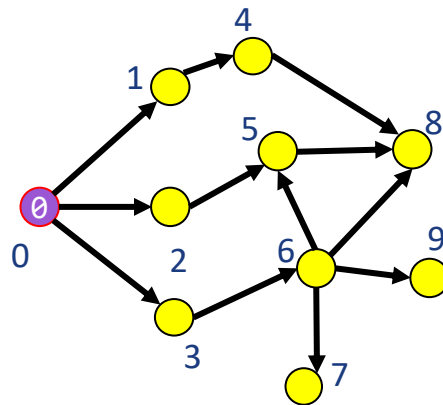
BFS: Sequential Implementation



- Initialize depth to -1
- Initialize queue with source vertex

Breadth-First Search: Sequential

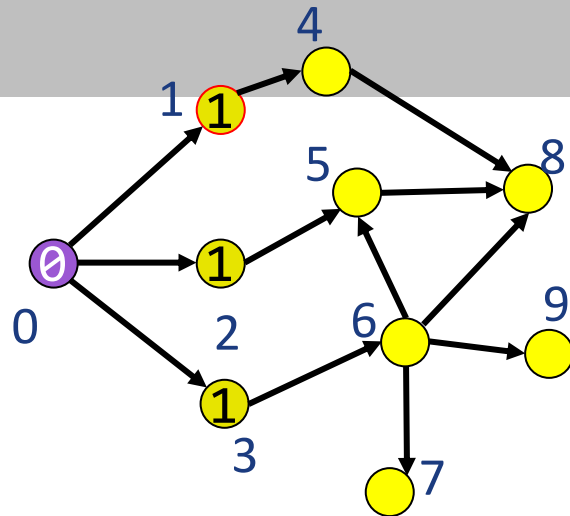
BFS: Sequential Implementation



depth	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Q	0									

- While queue is not empty, dequeue a vertex
 - Update all the neighbors of the vertex ($\text{depth}_j = \text{depth}_i + 1$) if depth_j is **-1**
 - Add all updated neighbors to queue

Breadth-First Search: Sequential



depth

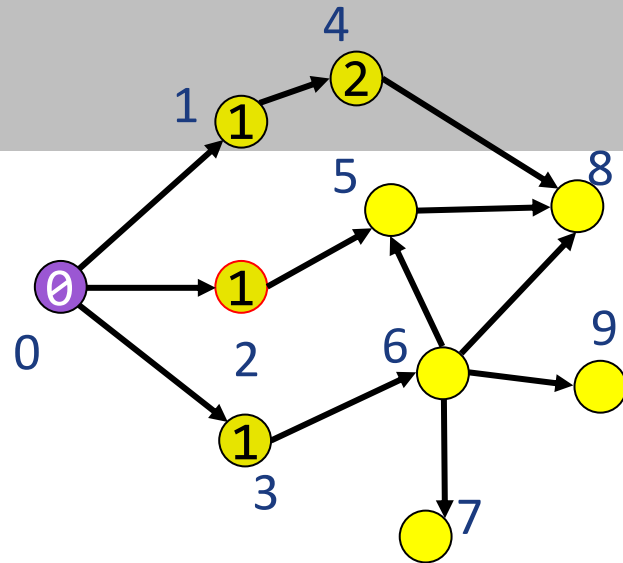
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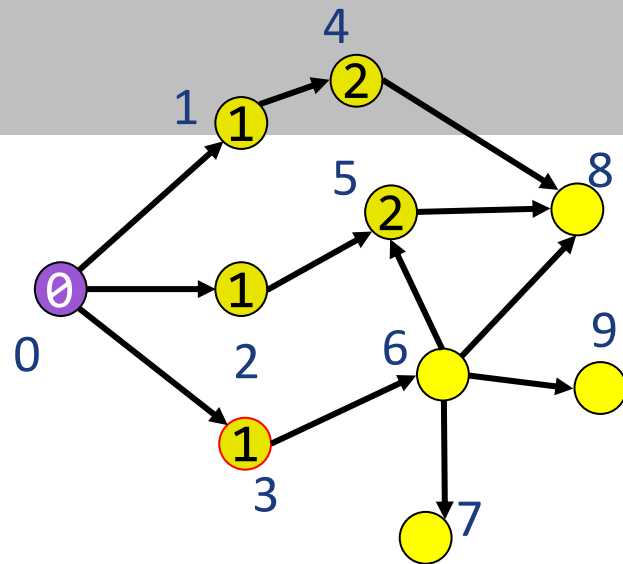
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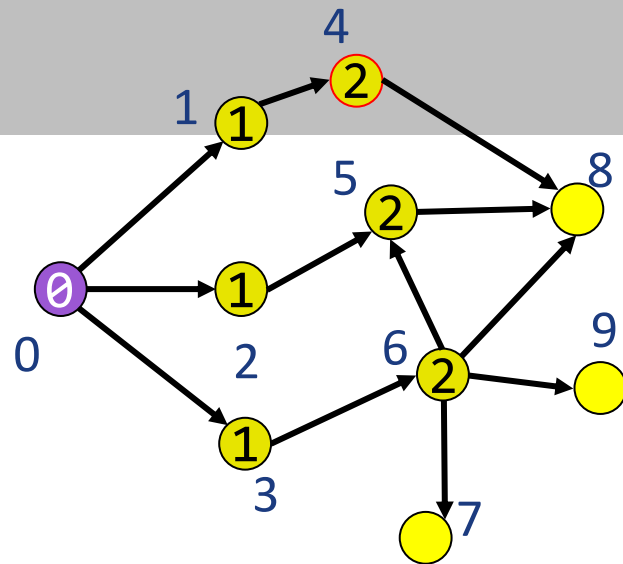
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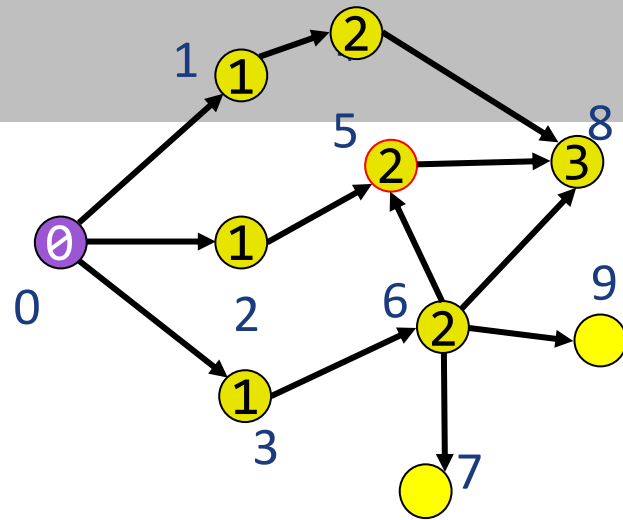
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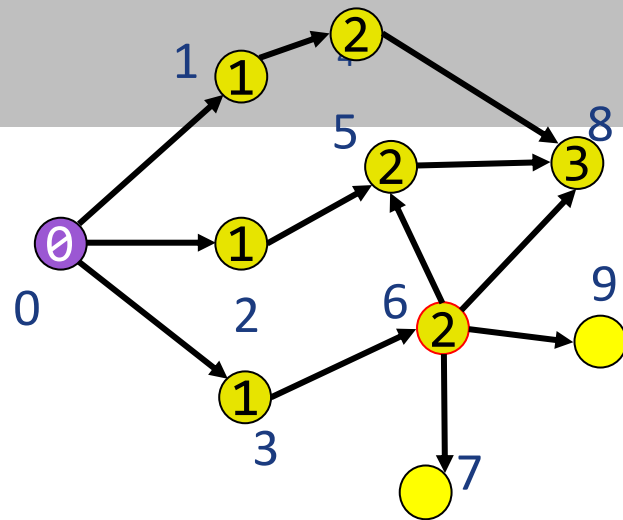
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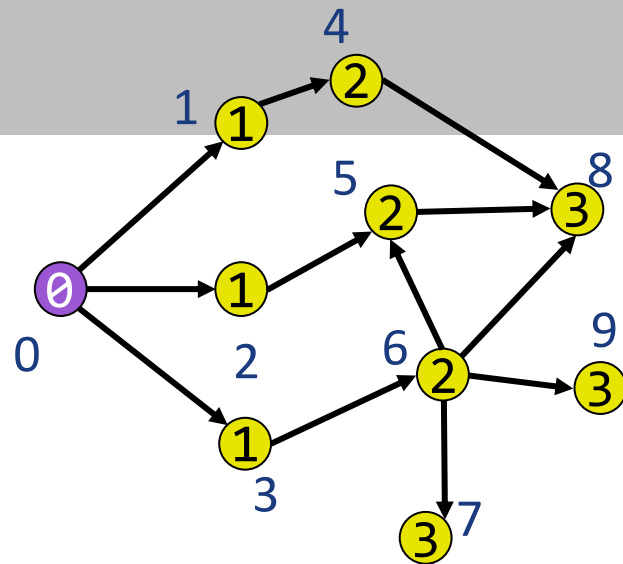
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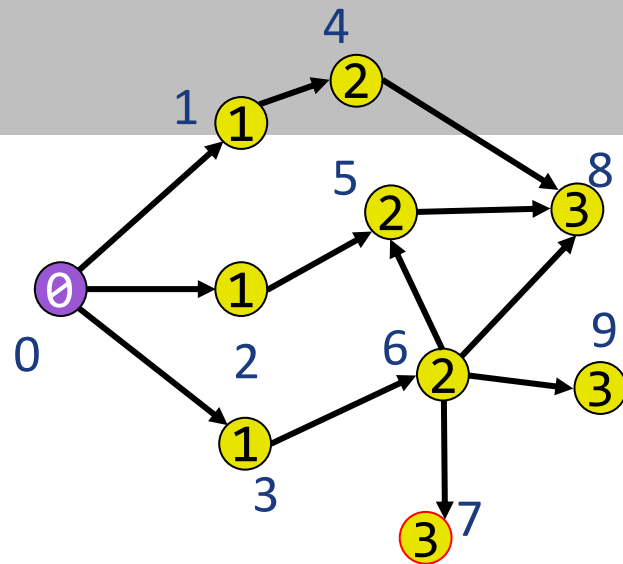
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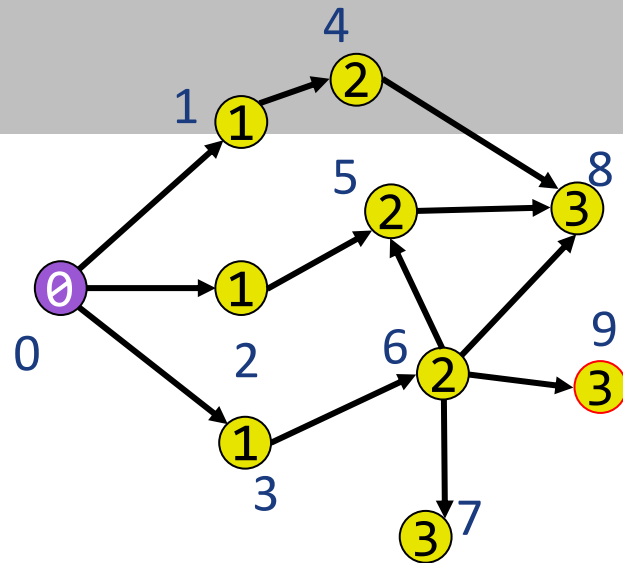
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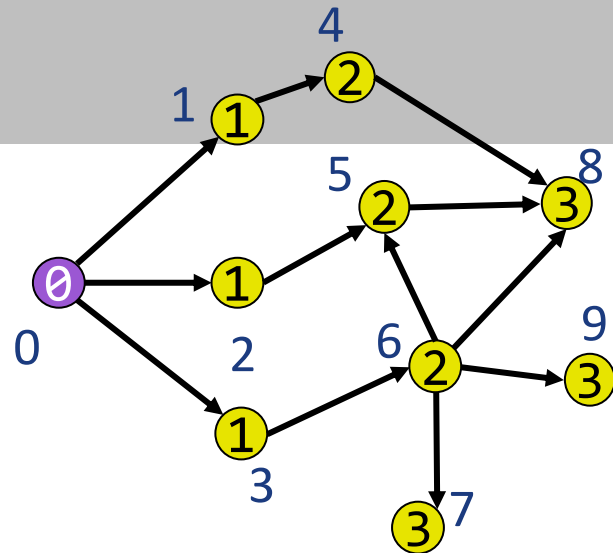
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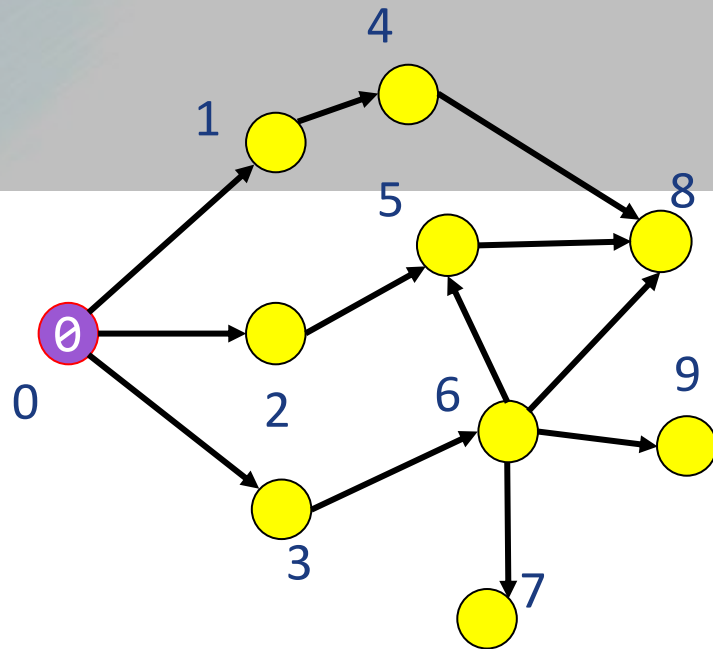
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How do we make it parallel?

Ideas? Which of these operations can be done in parallel?

Breadth-First Search: Parallel



depth

0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

frontier_{in}

0						
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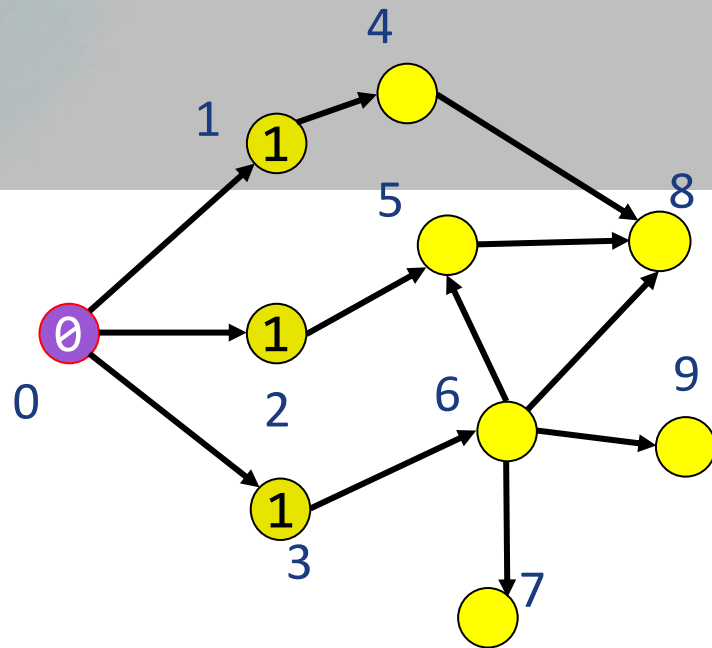
frontier_{out}

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Breadth-First Search: Parallel



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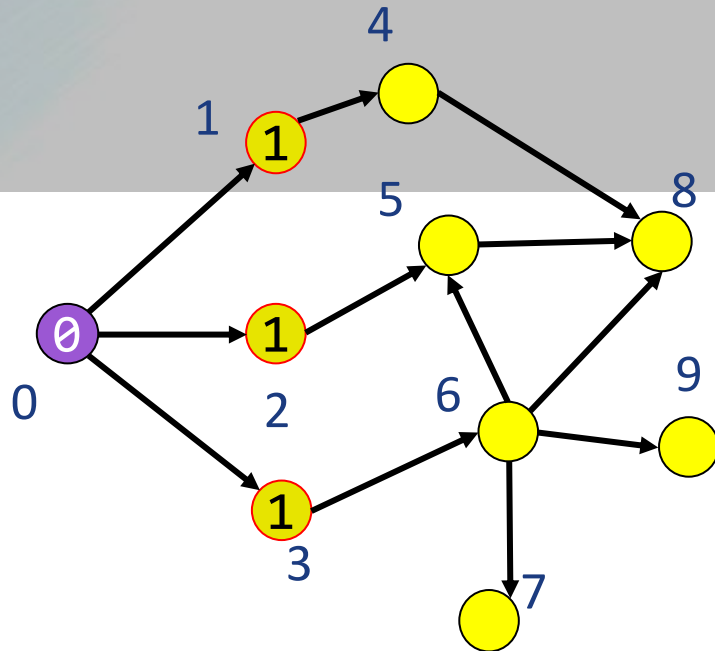
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Breadth-First Search: Parallel



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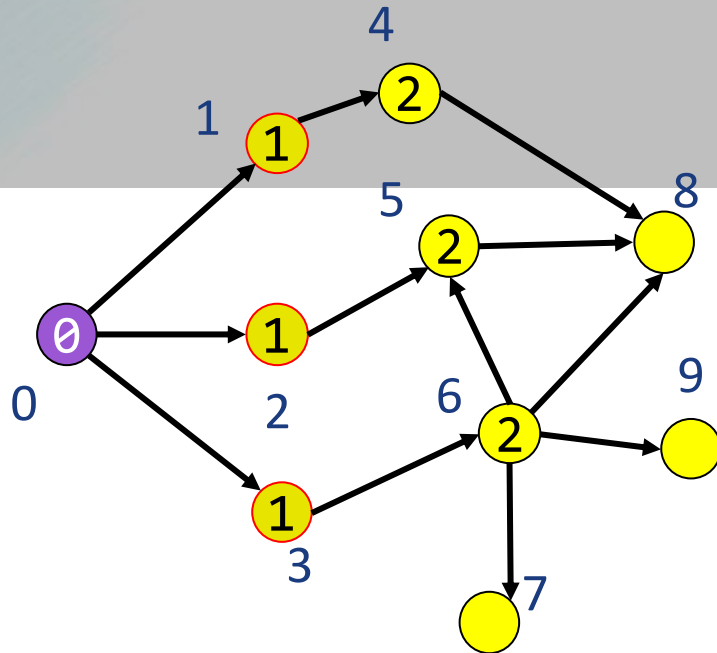
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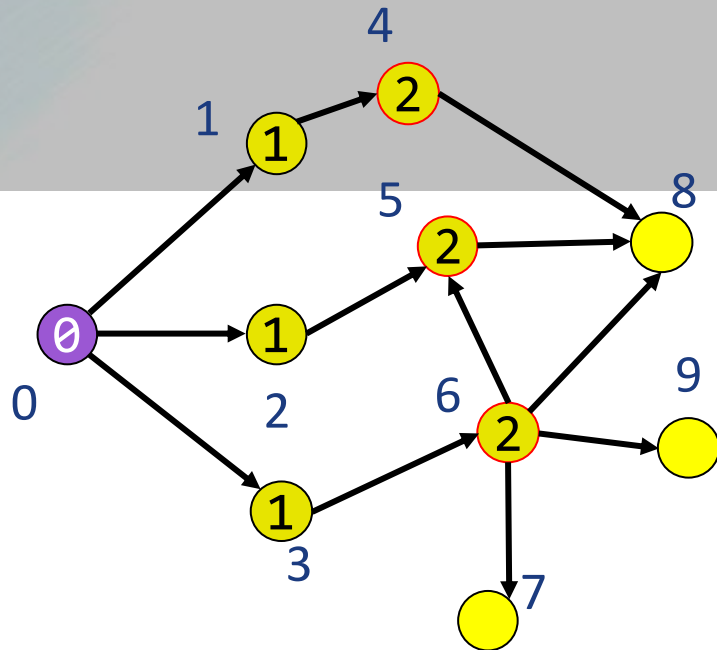
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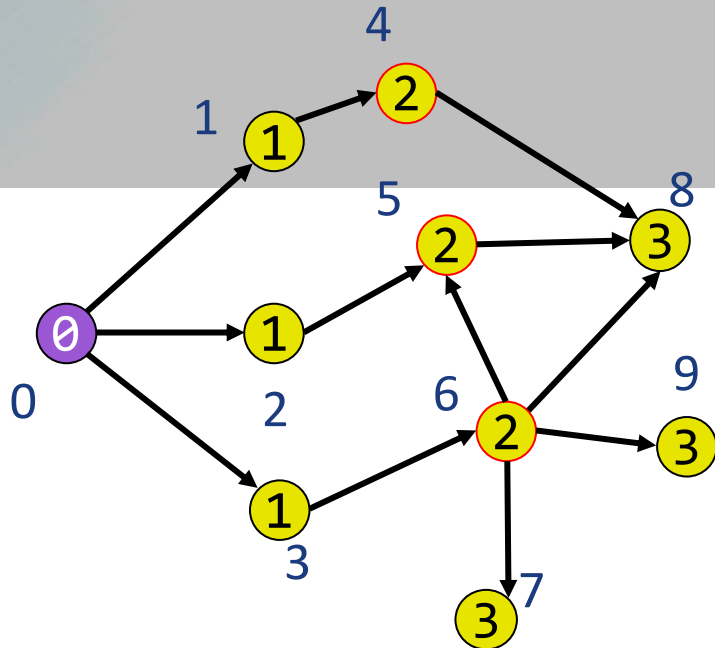
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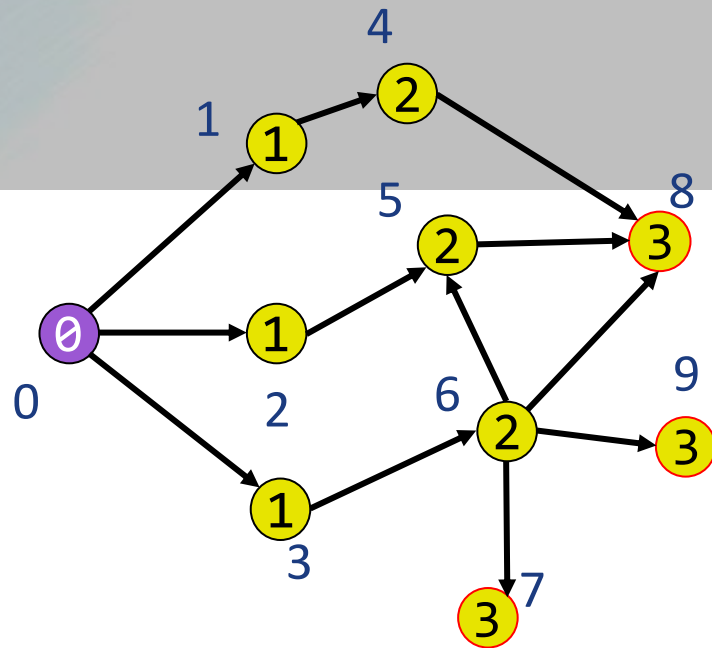
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Breadth-First Search: Parallel



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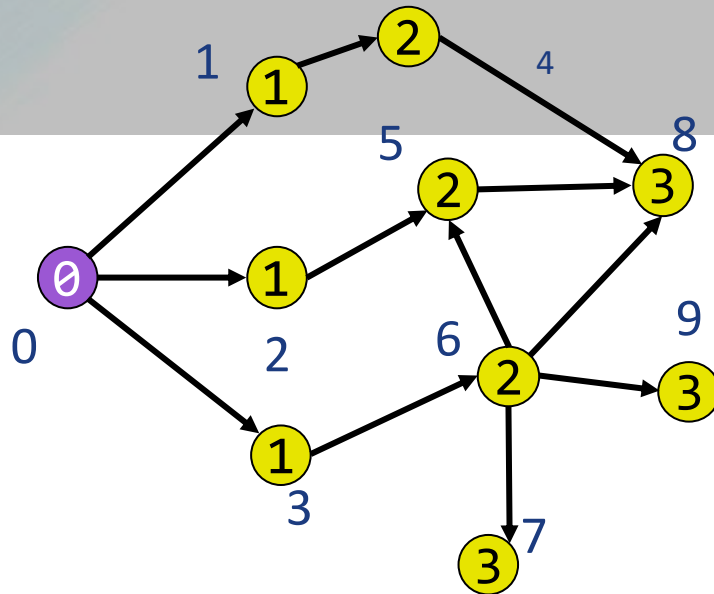
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How do we implement this algorithm in parallel?

Let's first consider a higher level code

Breadth-First Search: Parallel

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{
    std::set<int> frontier_in, frontier_out;
    frontier_in.insert(source);
    depth[source] = 0;
    int d = 1;

    while (!frontier_in.empty()) {
        #pragma omp parallel for
        for (auto it = frontier_in.begin(); it != frontier_in.end(); ++it) {
            int v = *it;
            for (int neigh : g.neigh(v)) {
                if (depth[neigh] == -1) {
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**There are race conditions
in this code!**

What are they?

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**The parallel for loop
causes a race condition
because a node can be
neighbors with many
other nodes!**

Breadth-First Search: Parallel

**How can we fix this
race condition?**

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Breadth-First Search: Parallel

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Breadth-First Search: Parallel

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            }  
        }  
    }  
    frontier_in = frontier_out;  
    frontier_out.clear();  
    d++;  
}
```

Breadth-First Search: Parallel using CSR

```
struct GraphCSR {  
    int n;  
    std::vector<int> row_ptr;  
    std::vector<int> val;  
};  
  
void BFS(const GraphCSR& g, int source,  
std::vector<std::atomic<int>>& depth) {  
    std::set<int> frontier_in, frontier_out;  
  
    frontier_in.insert(source);  
    depth[source].store(0,  
std::memory_order_relaxed);  
  
    int d = 1;
```

```
    while (!frontier_in.empty()) {  
        #pragma omp parallel for  
        for (auto it = frontier_in.begin(); it != frontier_in.end(); ++it) {  
            int v = *it;  
  
            for (int idx = g.row_ptr[v]; idx < g.row_ptr[v+1]; idx++) {  
                int neigh = g.val[idx];  
  
                if (depth[neigh].compare_exchange_strong(-1, d)) {  
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            }  
        }  
  
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Page Rank

The algorithm that started Google!

Page Rank

- Problem: Assign a score to each vertex based on the scores of neighbors

“The Anatomy of a Large-Scale Hypertextual Web Search Engine”

by Sergey Brin and Lawrence Page

in Computer Networks, vol. 30 (1998)

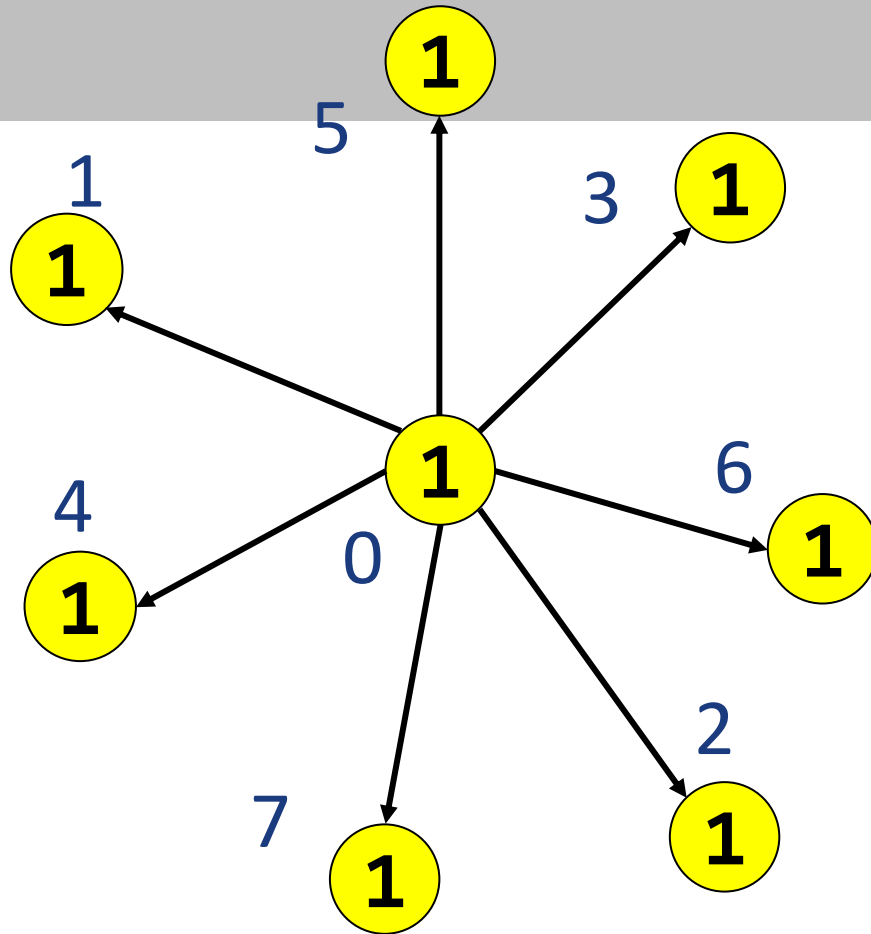


- Measures importance of web pages based on hyperlinks and scores of links
- Each node has score indicating importance
- Higher score means many high-scoring nodes link to it
- Create a graph where **vertices are pages** and **edges are links**

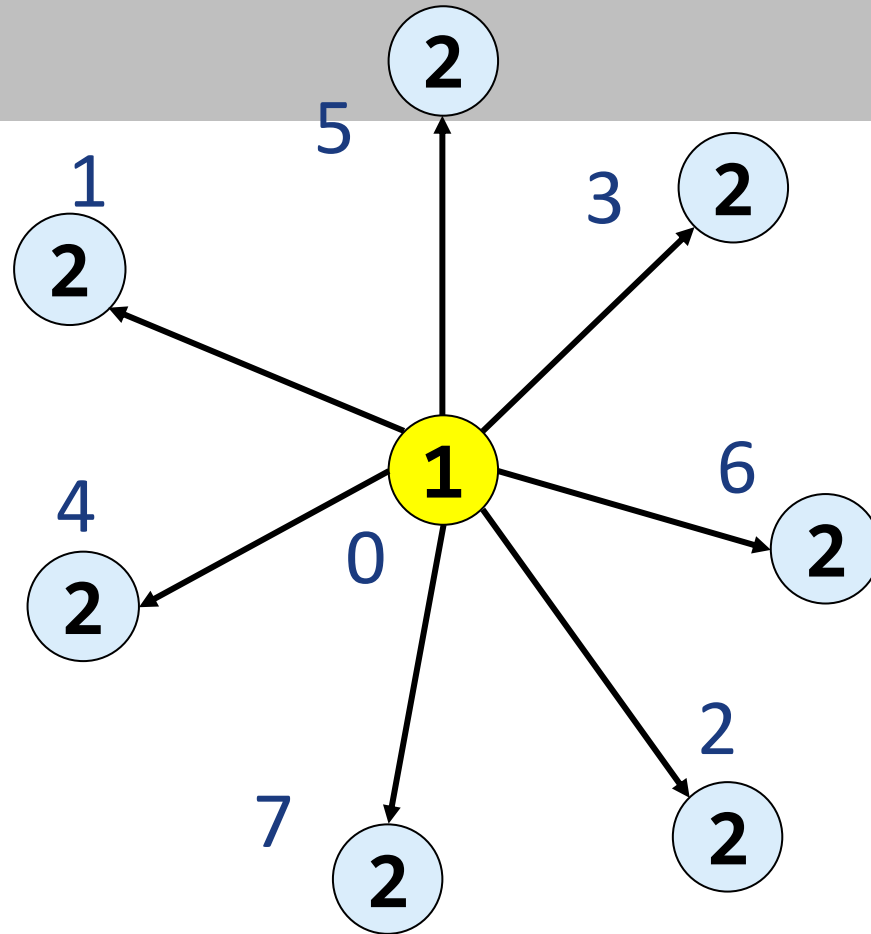
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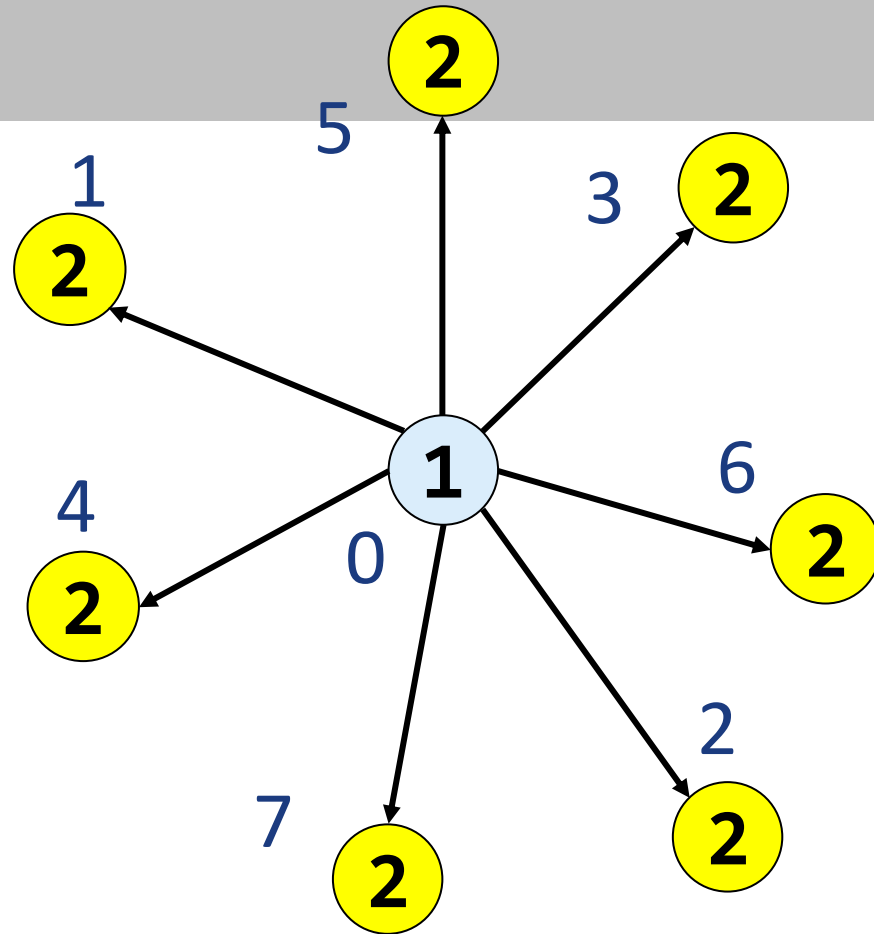


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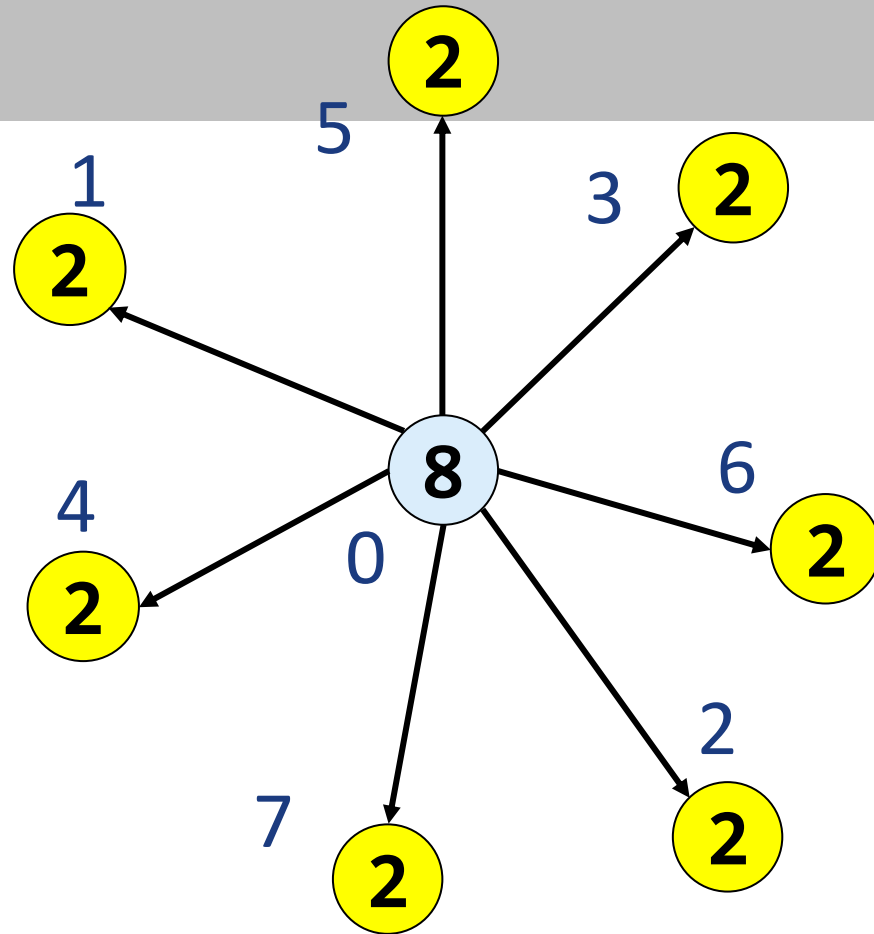
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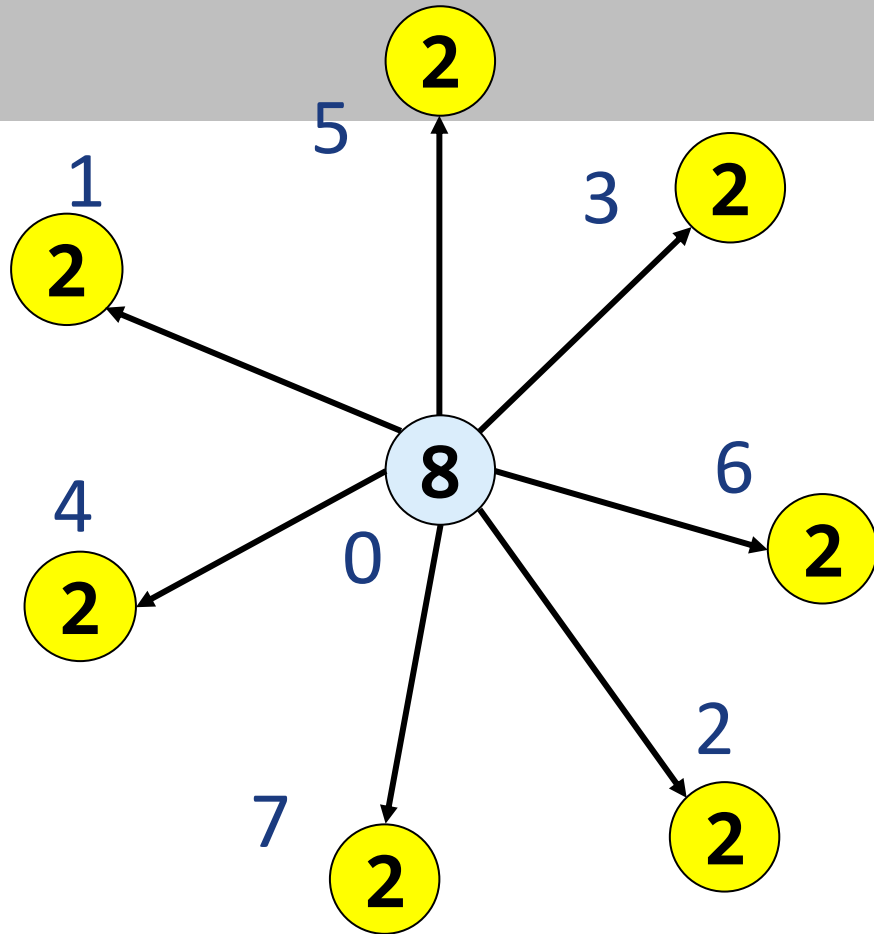
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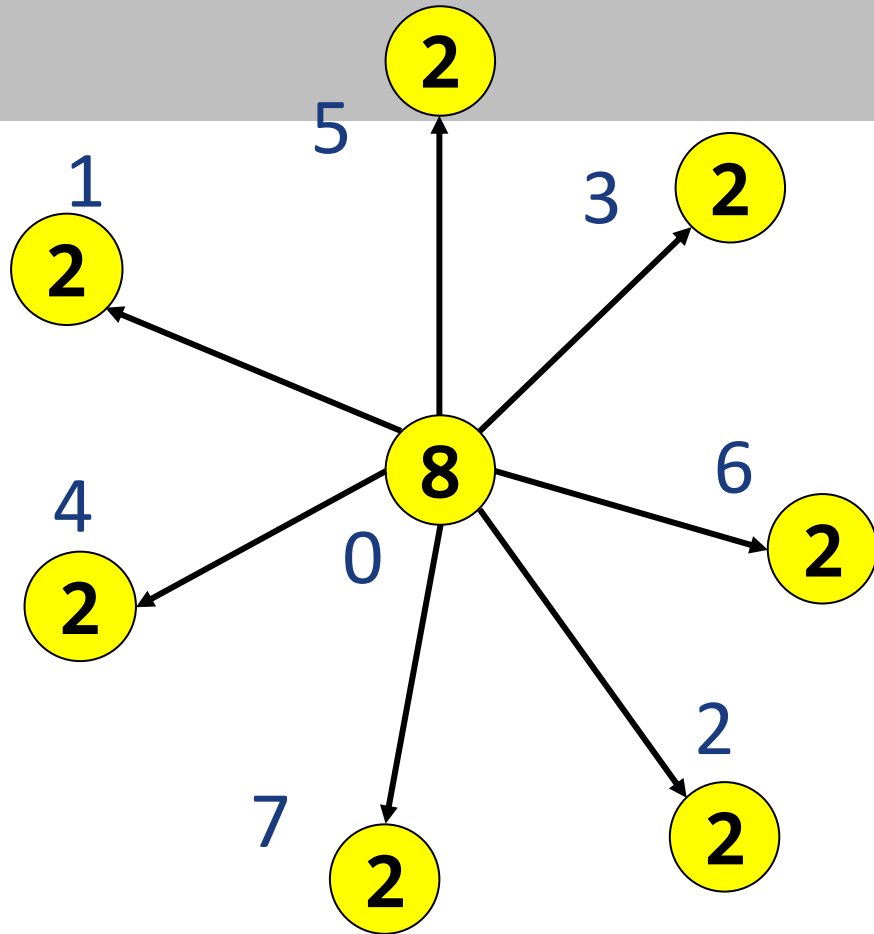
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    for (auto v : g) {  
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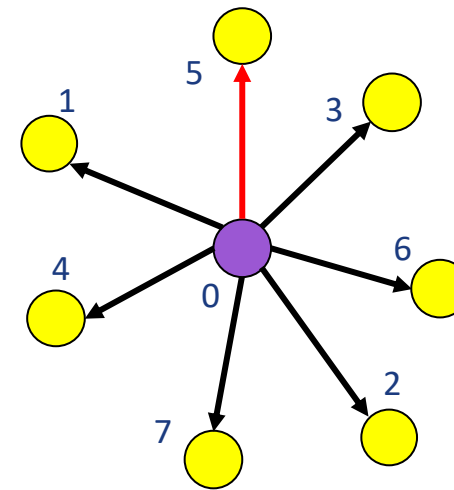
What are things that affect performance poorly in this algorithm?

Use an atomic add instead!

Page Rank Parallel Implementation

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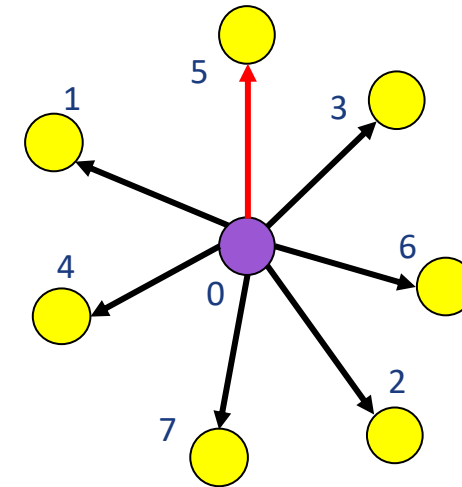
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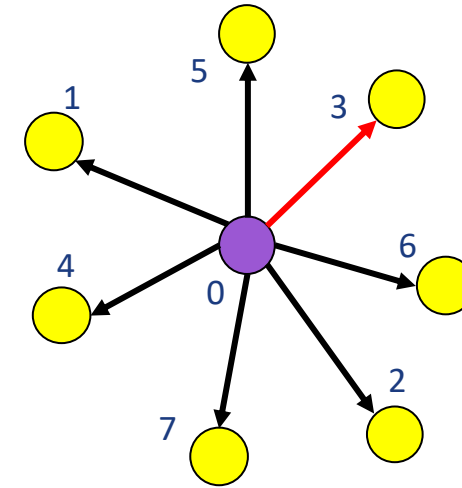
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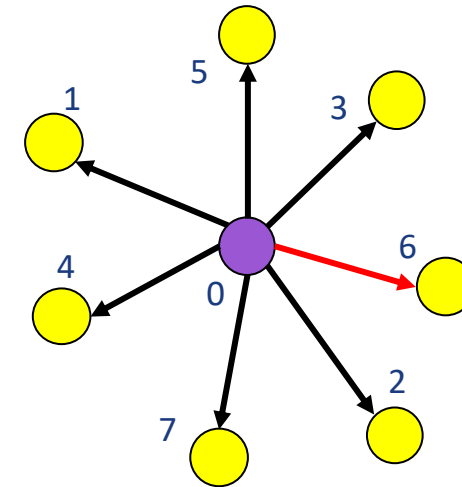
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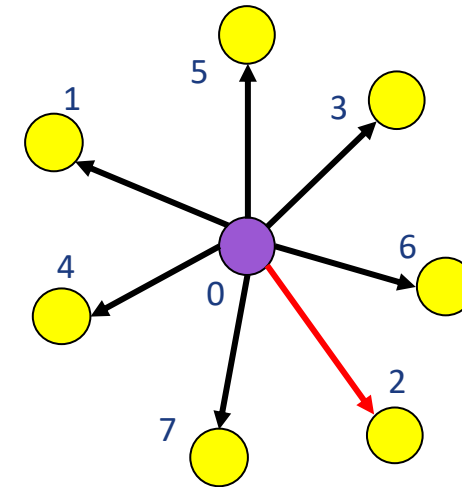
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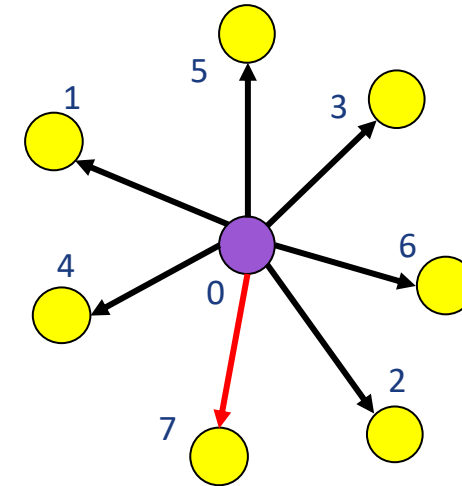
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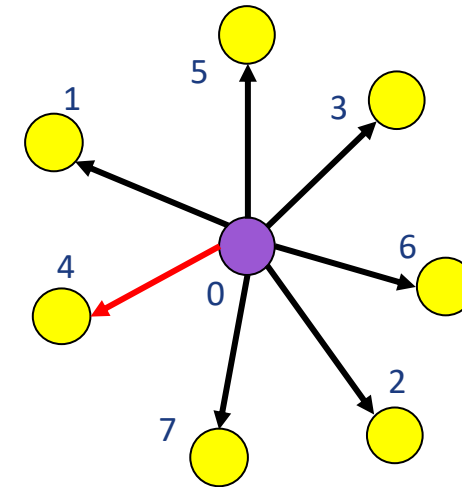
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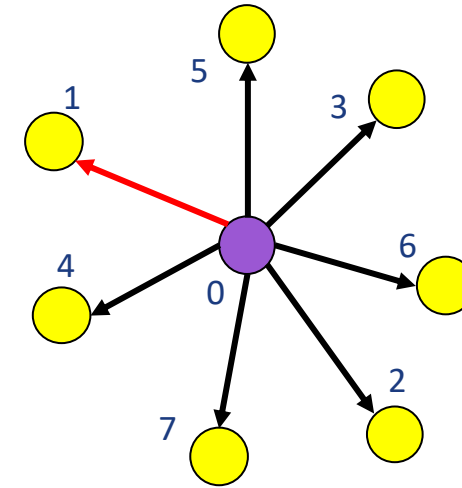
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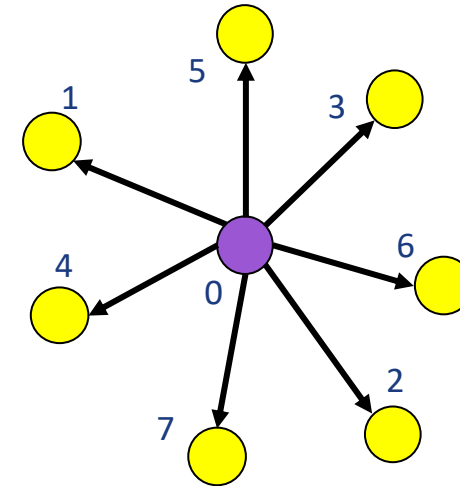


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Page Rank Parallel Implementation

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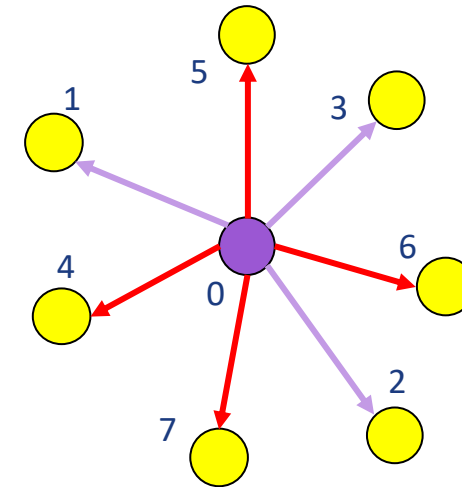
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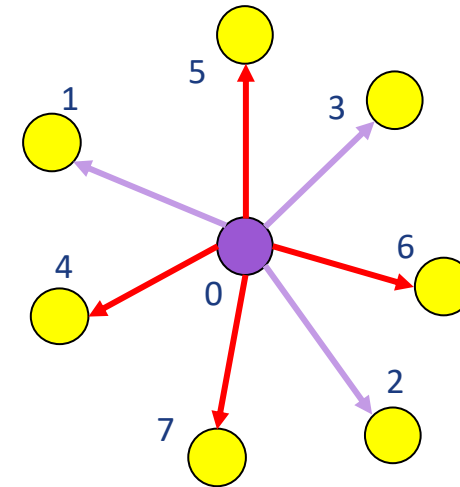
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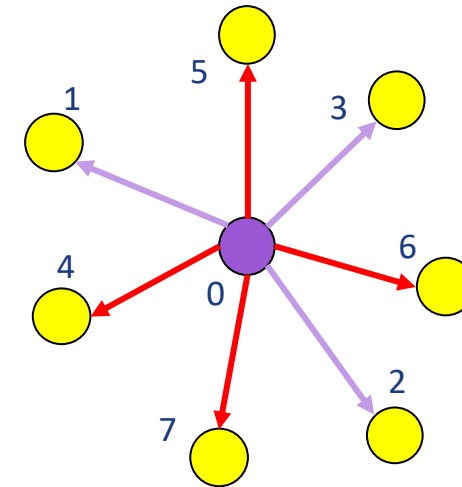


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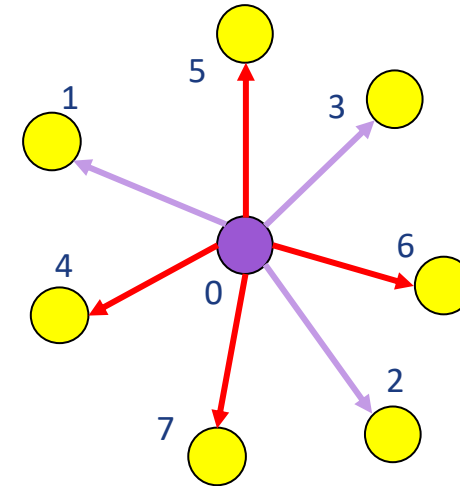


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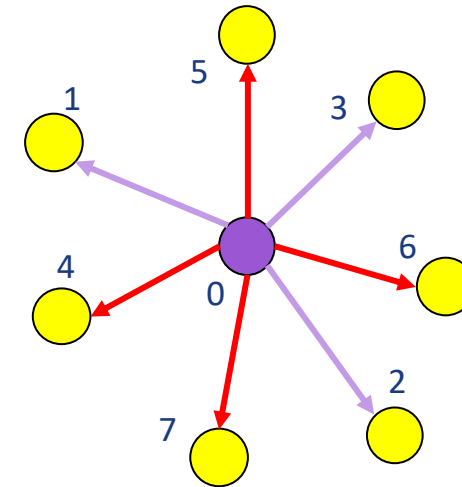
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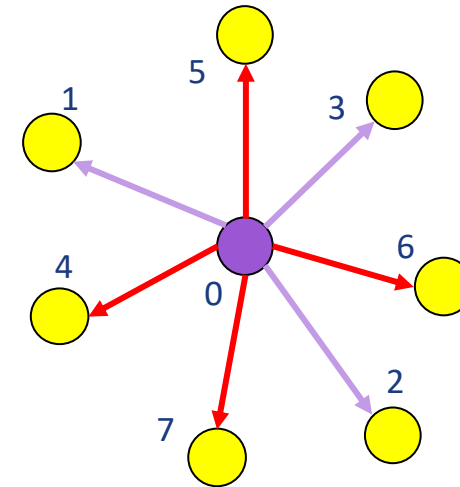


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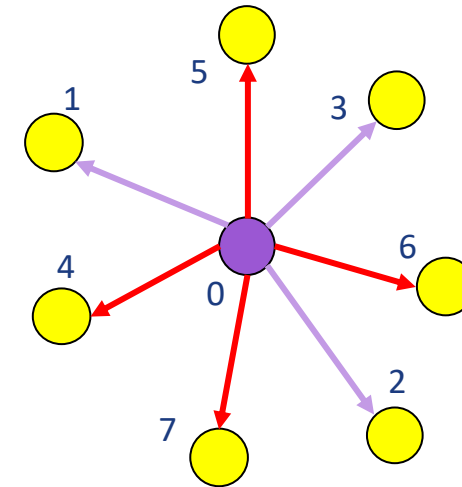


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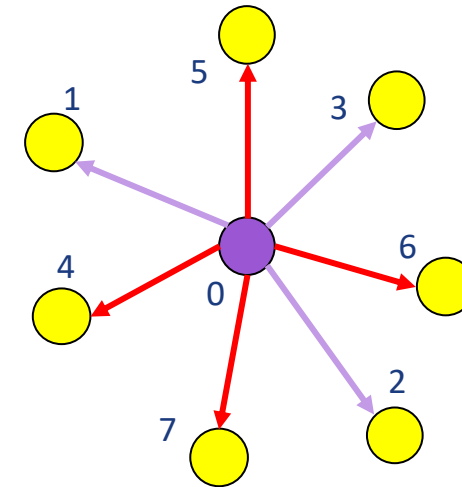


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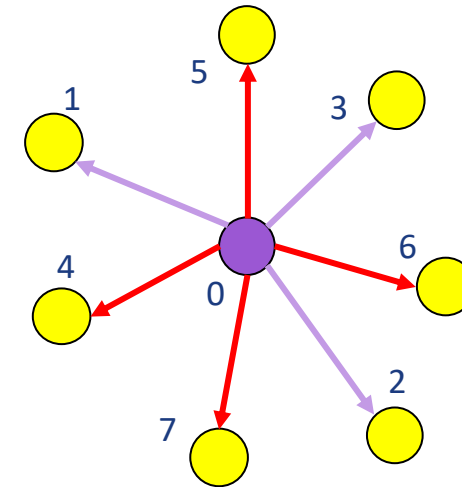


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Page Rank Parallel Implementation

- Iterate through each partition one after the other

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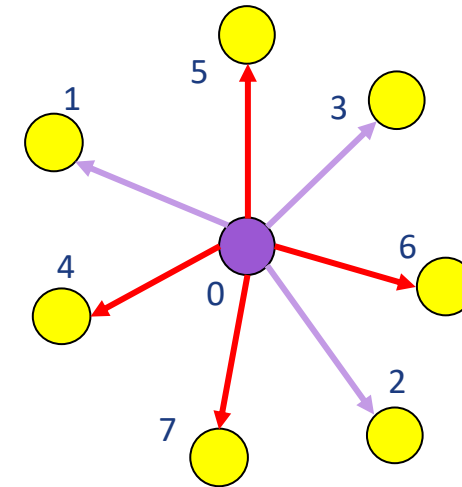


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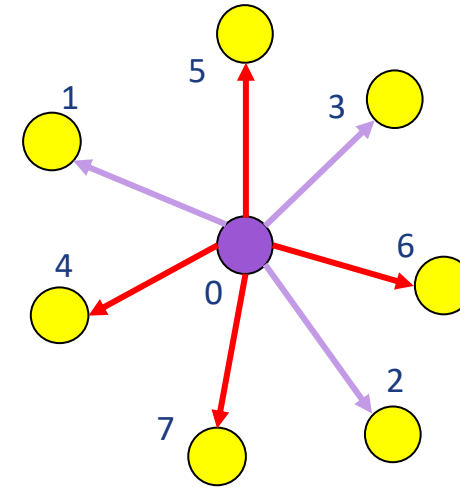


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- All random accesses fit within the same cache

Page Rank More Details

- Blocking for cache requires pre-partitioning the graph
- Convert the data layout from **CSR** to **BCSR** (Blocked CSR)
 - Stores non-zero elements as small dense blocks
 - row_ptr refers to a row of blocks instead of a row
 - col stores columns of the blocks
 - val stores dense array of values
- Since Pagerank typically runs 100s of iterations, cost of partitioning is amortized across all iterations (one upfront cost)

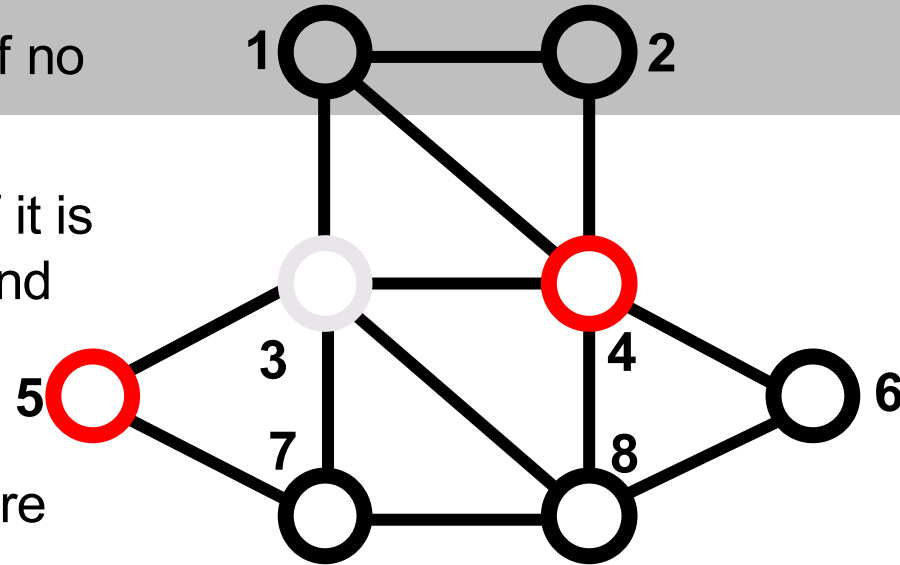
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Parallel Maximal Independent Set

Another example

Maximal Independent Set

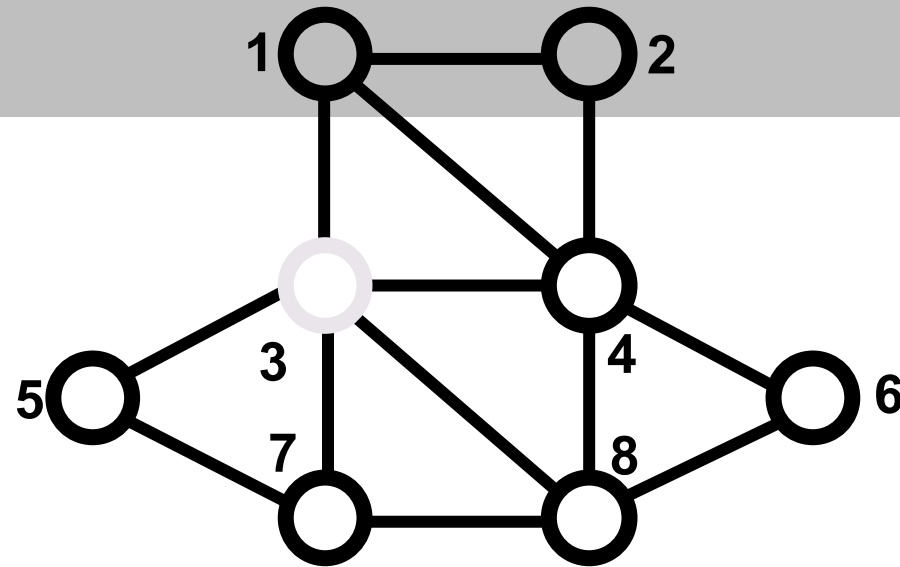
- Graph with vertices $V = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$
- A set S of vertices is **independent** if no two vertices in S are neighbors.
- An independent set S is **maximal** if it is impossible to add another vertex and stay independent
- An independent set S is **maximum** if no other independent set has more vertices
- Finding a *maximum* independent set is intractably difficult (NP-hard)
- Finding a *maximal* independent set is easy, at least on one processor.



The set of red vertices
 $S = \{4, 5\}$ is *independent*
and is *maximal*
but not *maximum*

Sequential Maximal Independent Set

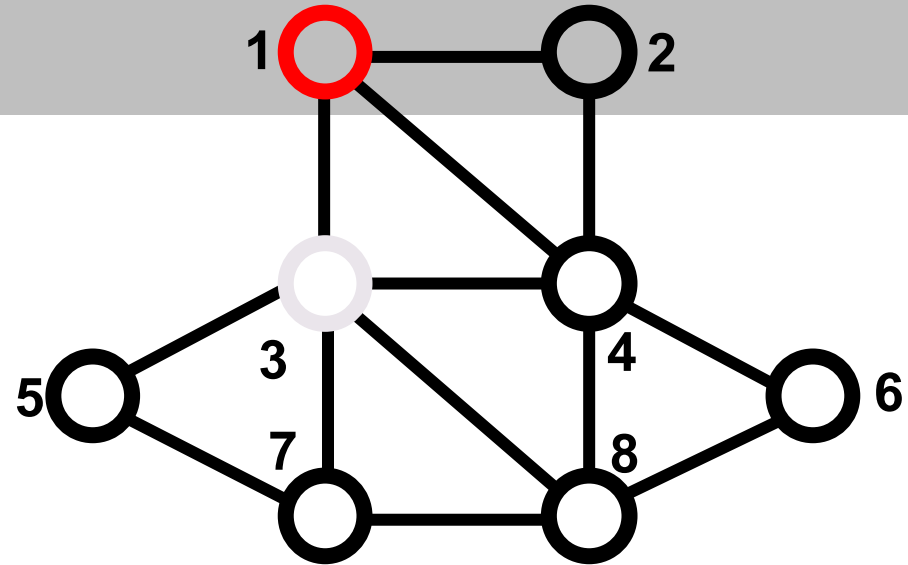
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4. add v to S
5. }
6. }



$S = \{\}$

Sequential Maximal Independent Set

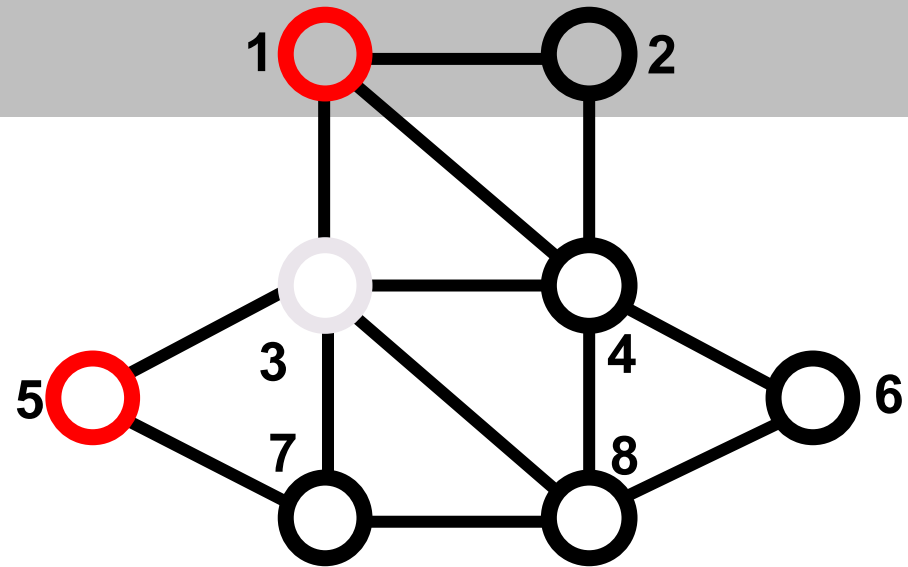
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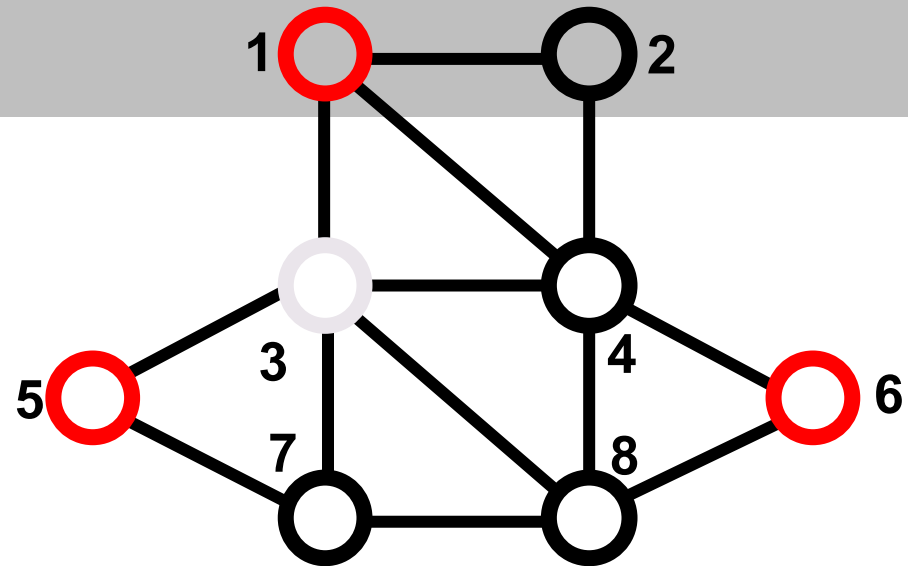
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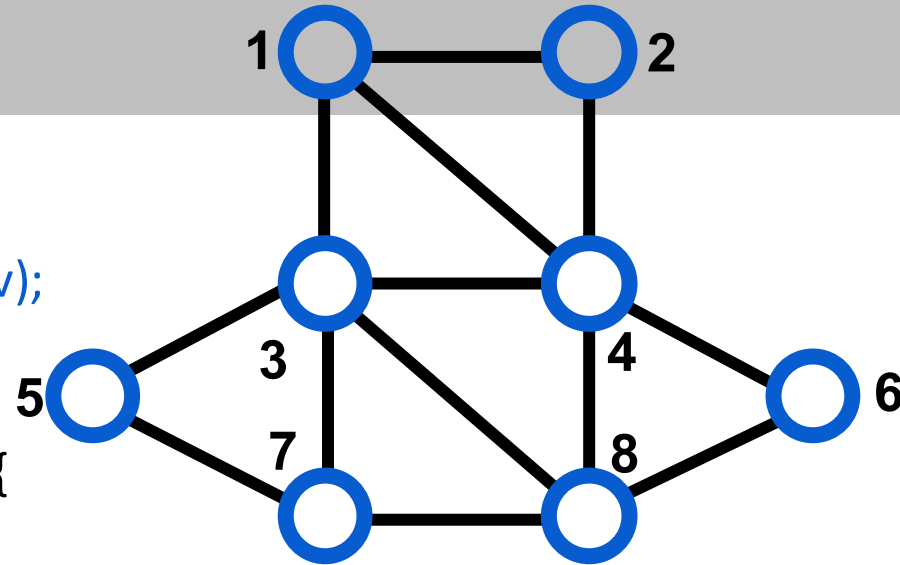


$S = \{ 1, 5, 6 \}$

work $O(n)$, but span $O(n)$

Parallel, Randomized MIS

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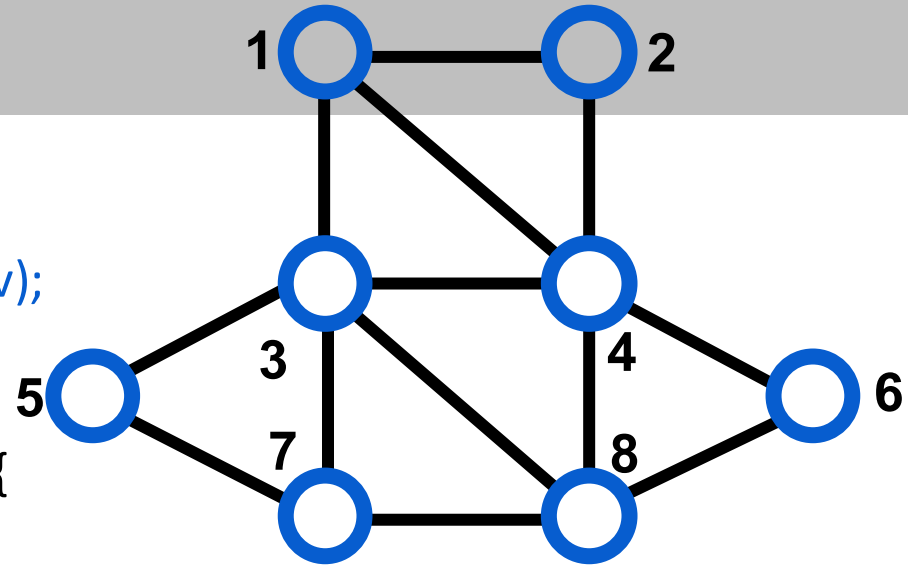


$S = \{ \}$
 $C = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 \}$

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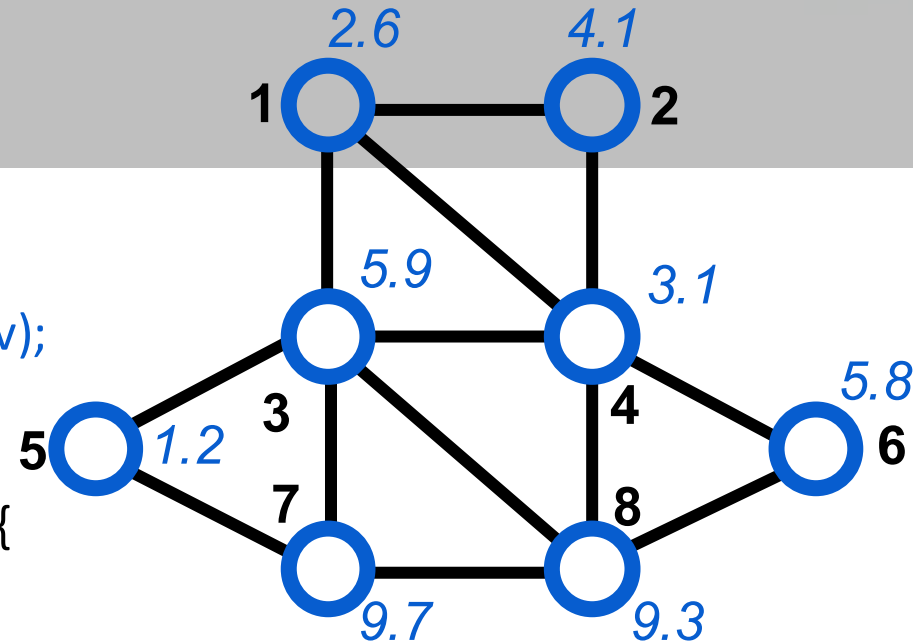


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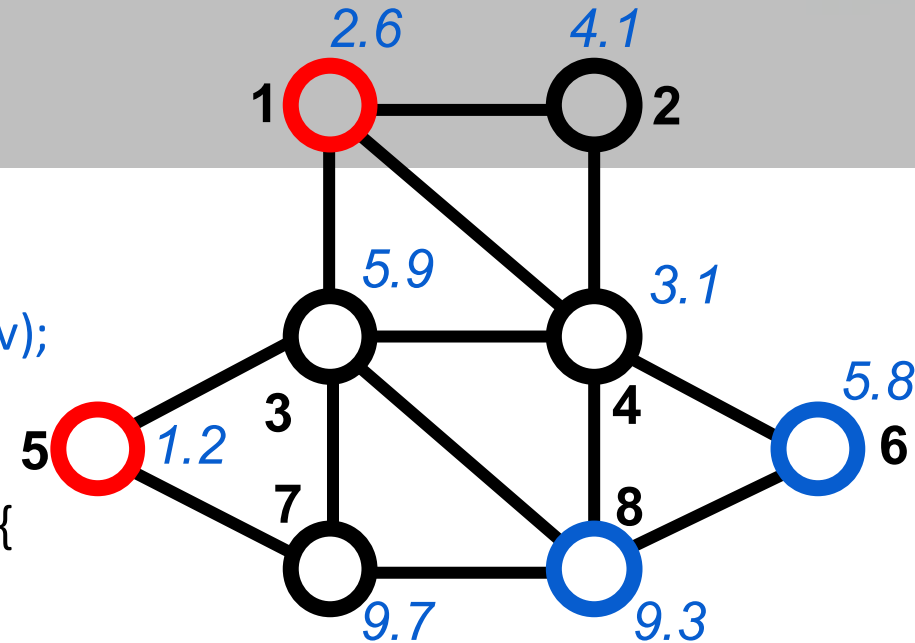


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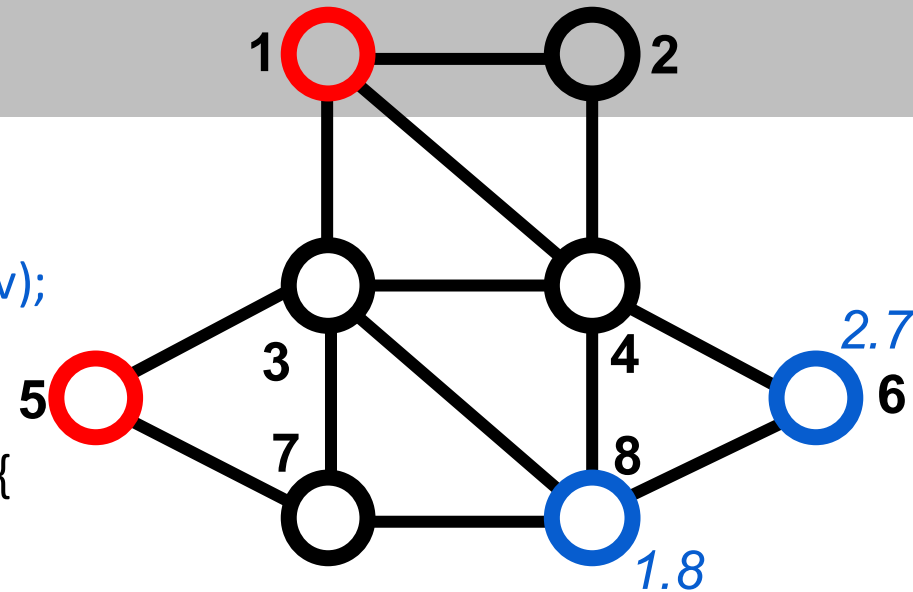


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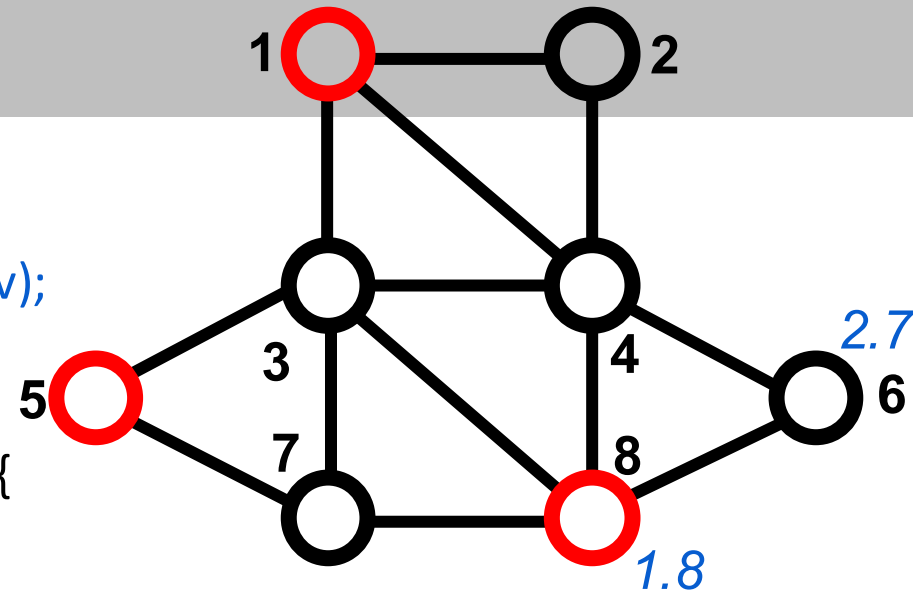


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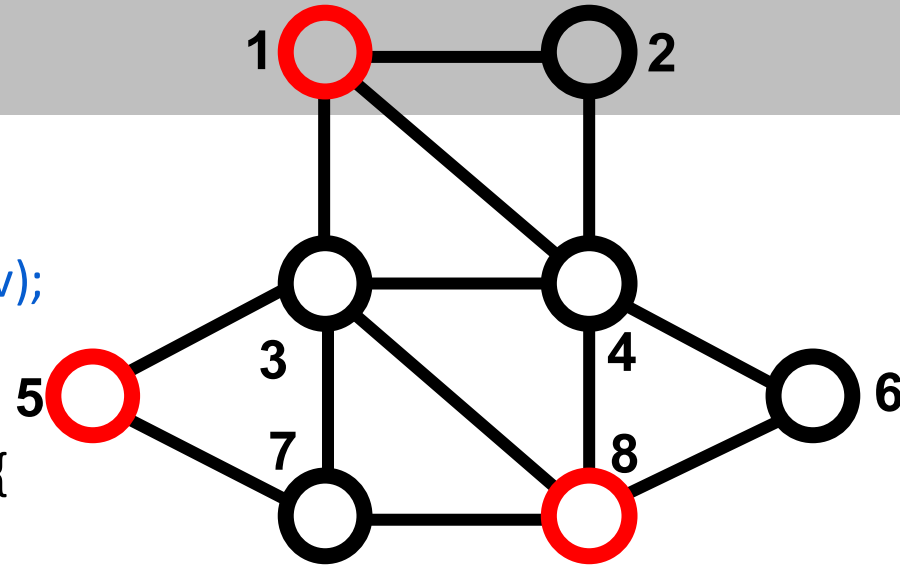


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Theorem: This algorithm
“very probably” finishes
within $O(\log n)$ rounds.

work $O(n \log n)$, but **span** $O(\log n)$

Lecture 13 Quiz

