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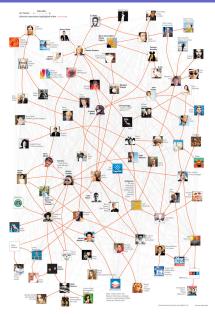
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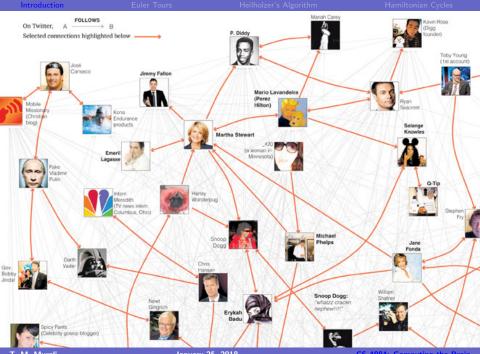
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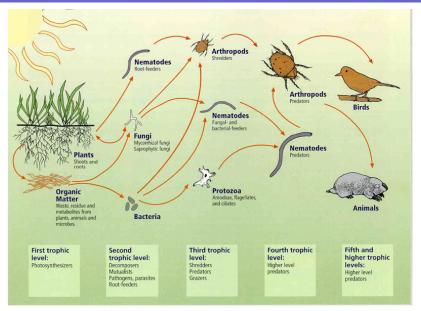


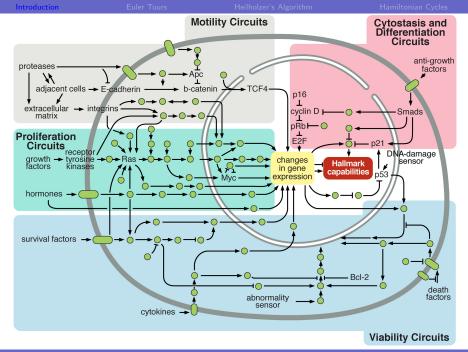
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- Problems involving graphs have a rich history dating back to Euler.

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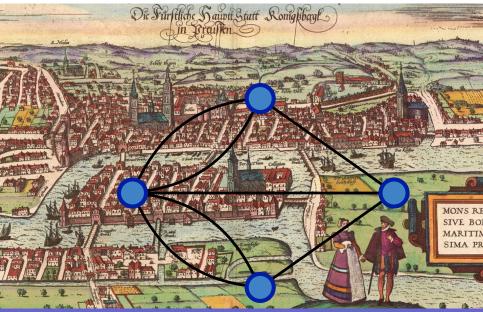


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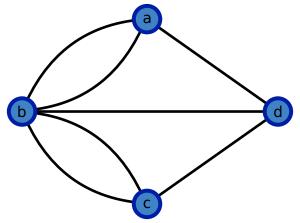
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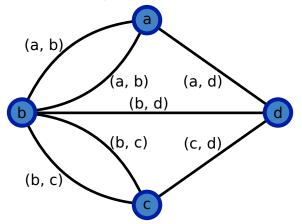


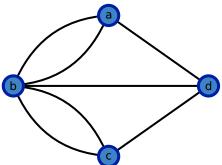


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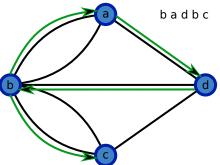
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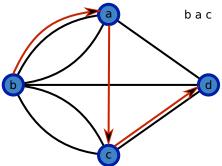




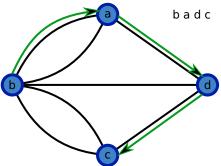
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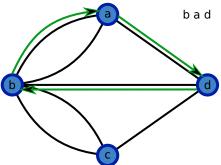
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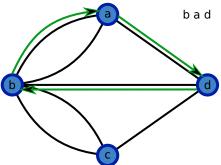
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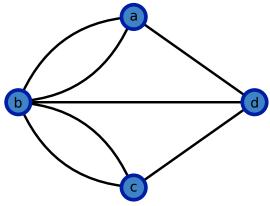


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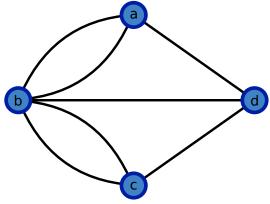
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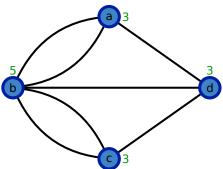
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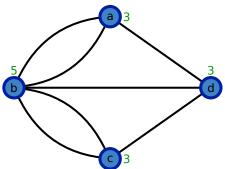
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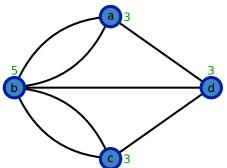
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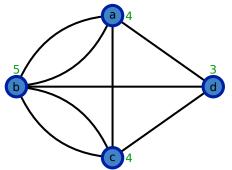
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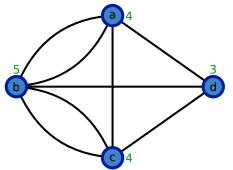


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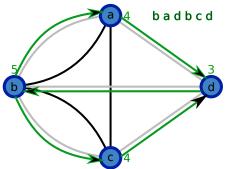
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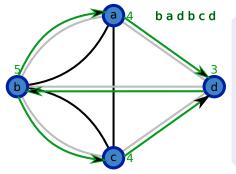
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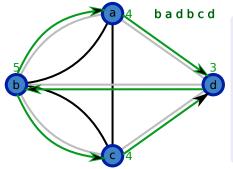
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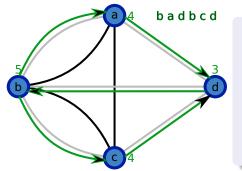
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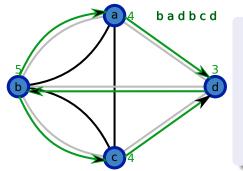


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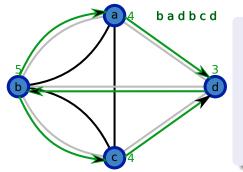
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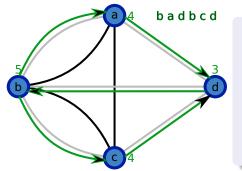
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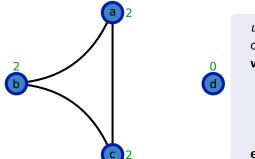
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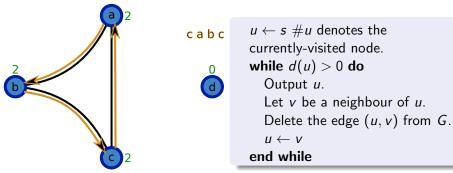
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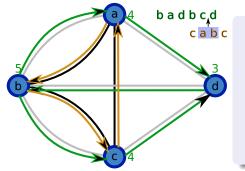
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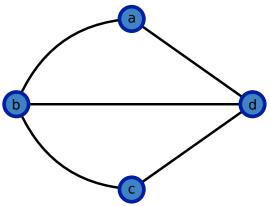


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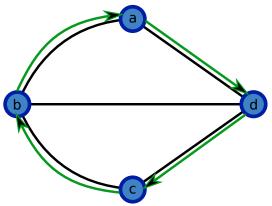
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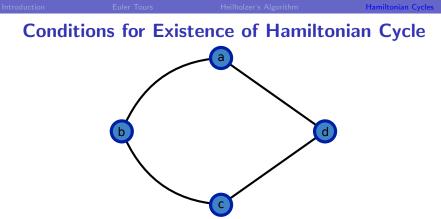


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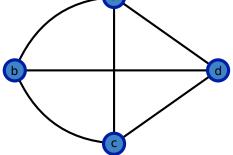


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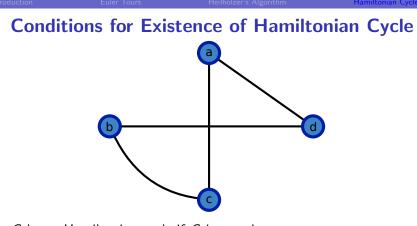


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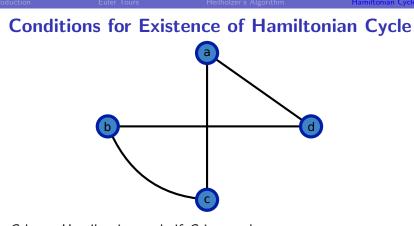




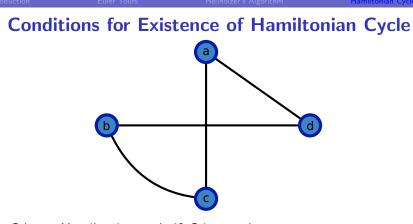
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 - ▶ Dynamic programming: running time of $O(n^2 2^n)$ (Held and Karp 1962).
 - Fastest known algorithm runs in time $O(1.657^n)$ (Björklund 2010).