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## Paths/Cycles in Directed Graphs

Consider this directed graph:



Is there a path from A to D? Does the graph contain any cycles?

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– A graph is *dense* if it has  $\Theta(|V|^2)$  edges.

























## Lemma: If a graph is acyclic, it has a vertex with in degree 0

Proof:

- Pick a vertex  $v_1$ , if it has in-degree 0 then done If not, let  $(v_2, v_1)$  be an edge, if  $v_2$  has in-degree 0 then done
- If not, let  $(v_3,v_2)$  be an edge  $\ldots$  . If this process continues for more than n steps, we have a repeated vertex, so we have a cycle