

CSE 421: Introduction to Algorithms

Bipartiteness - DFS

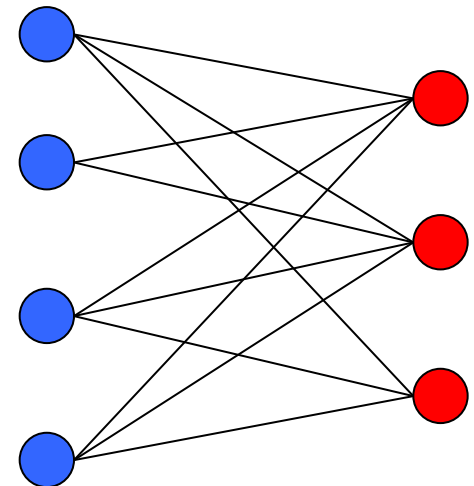
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Bipartite Graphs

Definition: An undirected graph $G=(V,E)$ is **bipartite** if you can partition the node set into 2 parts (say, blue/red or left/right) so that all edges join nodes in different parts i.e., no edge has both ends in the same part.

Application:

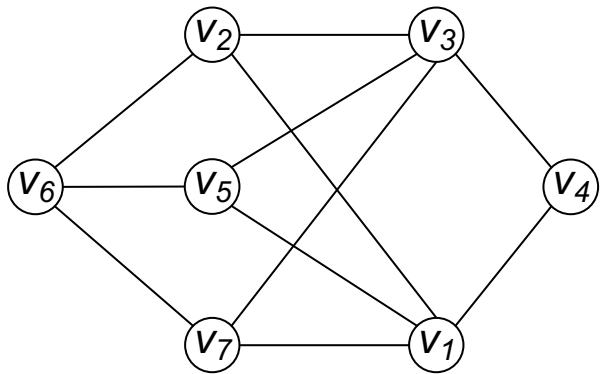
- Scheduling: machine=red, jobs=blue
- Stable Matching: men=blue, wom=red



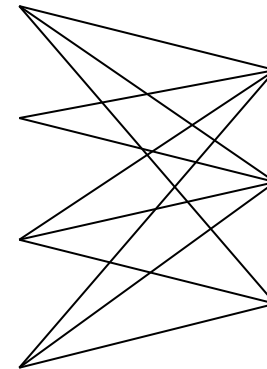
a bipartite graph

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a bipartite graph G



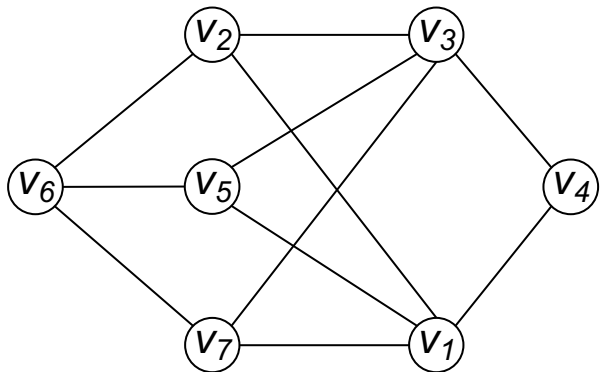
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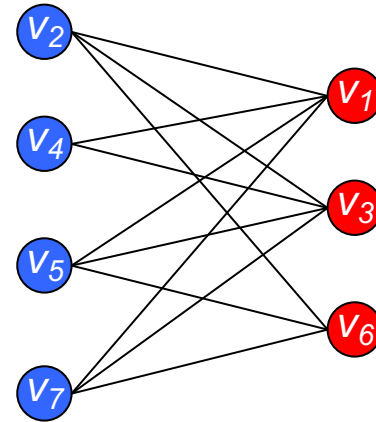
Many graph problems become:

- Easier if the underlying graph is bipartite (matching)
- Tractable if the underlying graph is bipartite (independent set)

Before attempting to design an algorithm, we need to **understand structure** of bipartite graphs.



a bipartite graph G

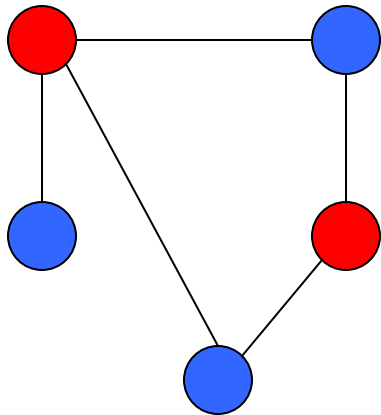


another drawing of G

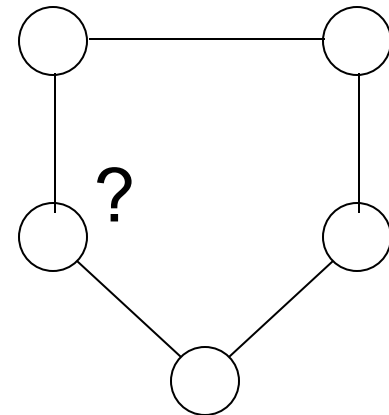
An Obstruction to Bipartiteness

Lemma: If G is bipartite, then it does not contain an odd length cycle.

Pf: We cannot 2-color an odd cycle, let alone G .



*bipartite
(2-colorable)*

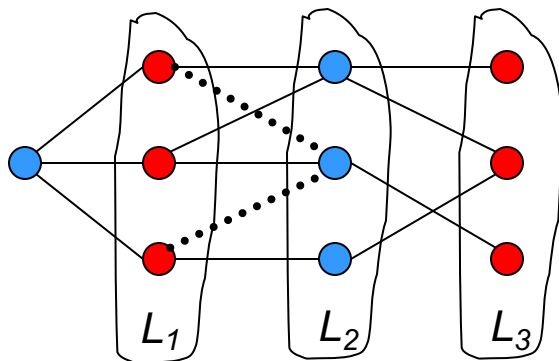


*not bipartite
(not 2-colorable)*

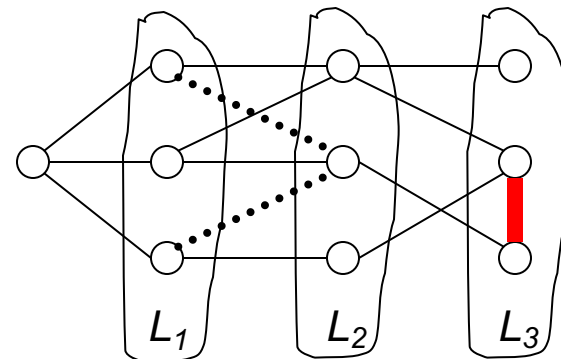
A Characterization of Bipartite Graphs

Lemma: Let G be a connected graph, and let L_0, \dots, L_k be the layers produced by BFS(s). Exactly one of the following holds.

- (i) No edge of G joins two nodes of the same layer, and G is bipartite.
- (ii) An edge of G joins two nodes of the same layer, and G contains an odd-length cycle (and hence is not bipartite).



Case (i)



Case (ii)

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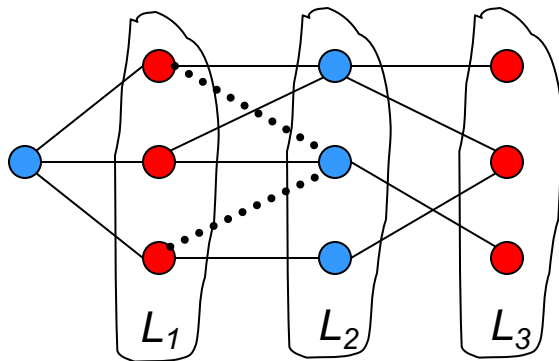
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Pf. (i)

Suppose no edge joins two nodes in the same layer.

By previous lemma, all edges join nodes on adjacent levels.



Case (i)

Bipartition:

blue = nodes on odd levels,
red = nodes on even levels.

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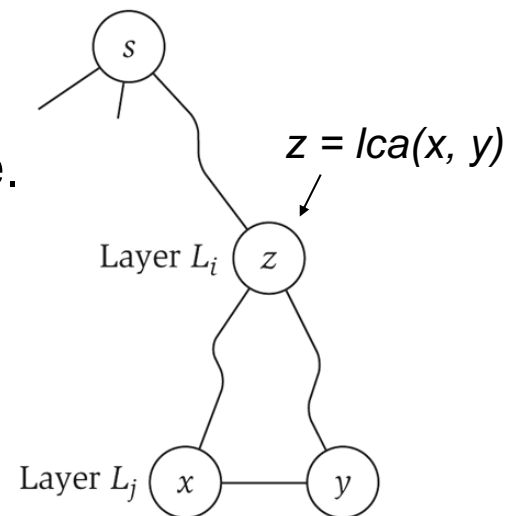
Suppose (x, y) is an edge & x, y in same level L_j .

Let $z =$ their lowest common ancestor in BFS tree.

Let L_i be level containing z .

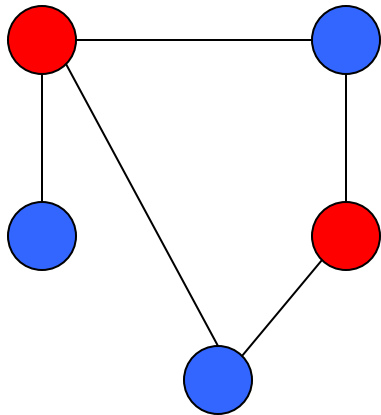
Consider cycle that takes edge from x to y , then tree from y to z , then tree from z to x .

Its length is $1 + (j-i) + (j-i)$, which is odd.

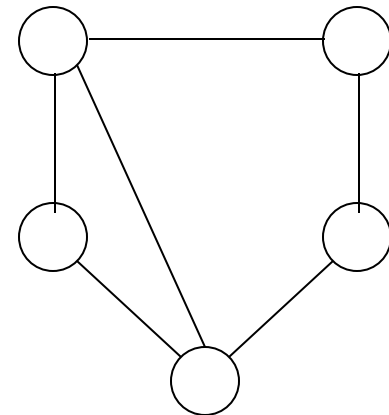


Obstruction to Bipartiteness

Cor: A graph G is bipartite iff it contains no odd length cycles.



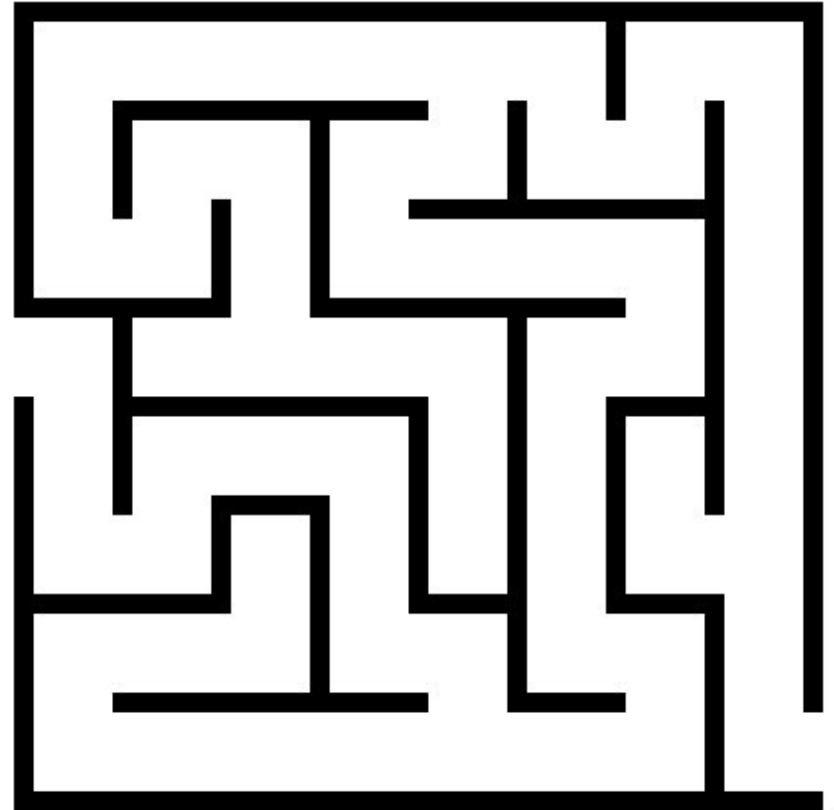
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Depth First Search

Follow the first path you find as far as you can go; back up to last unexplored edge when you reach a dead end, then go as far you can



Naturally implemented using recursive calls or a stack

DFS(s) – Recursive version

Global Initialization: mark all vertices undiscovered

DFS(v)

Mark v **discovered**

for each edge {v,x}

if (x is undiscovered)

Mark x **discovered**

DFS(x)

Mark v **full-discovered**

DFS(A)

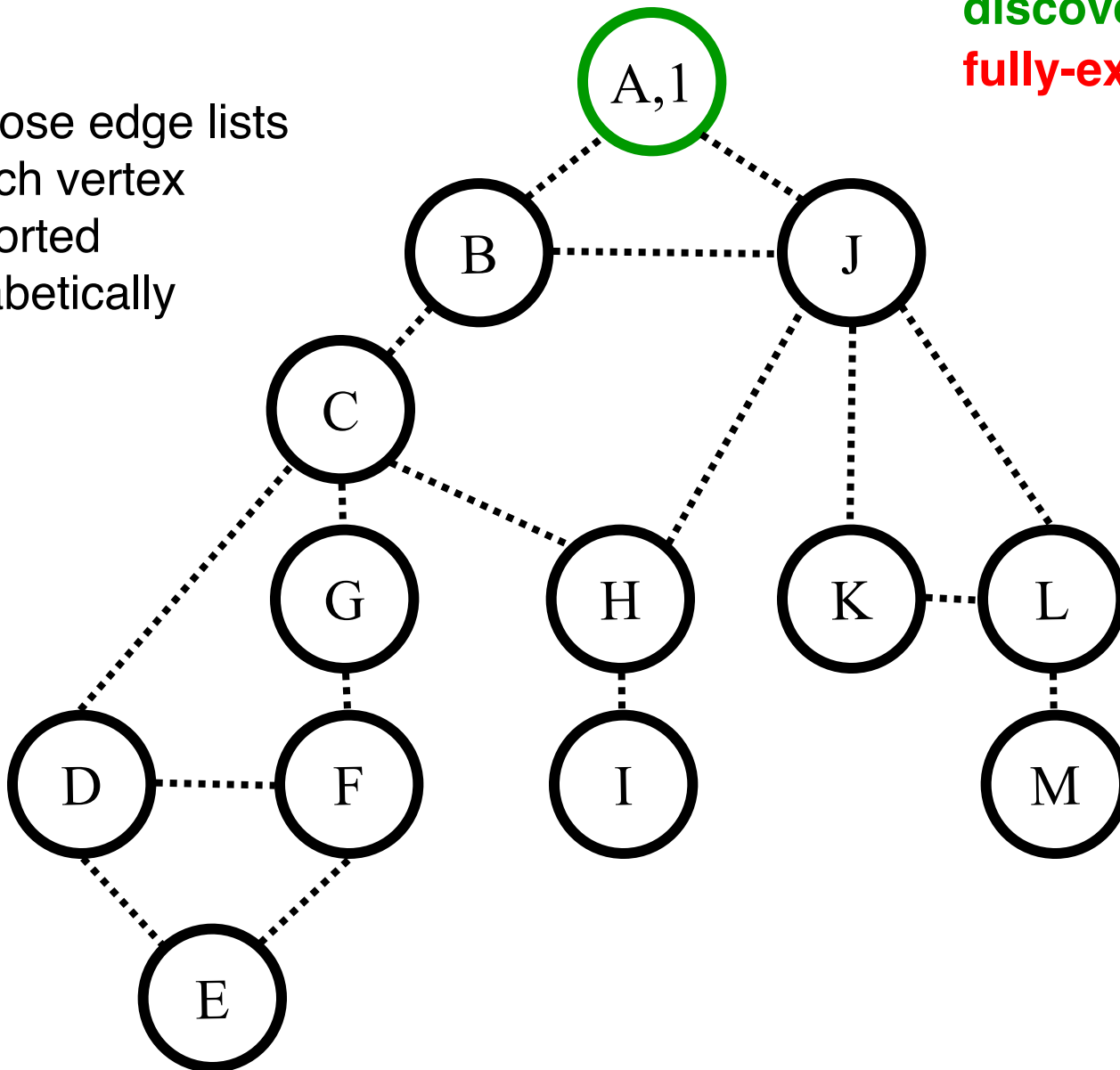
Color code:

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discovered

fully-explored

Suppose edge lists
at each vertex
are sorted
alphabetically



Call Stack
(Edge list):

A (B,J)

st[] =
{1}

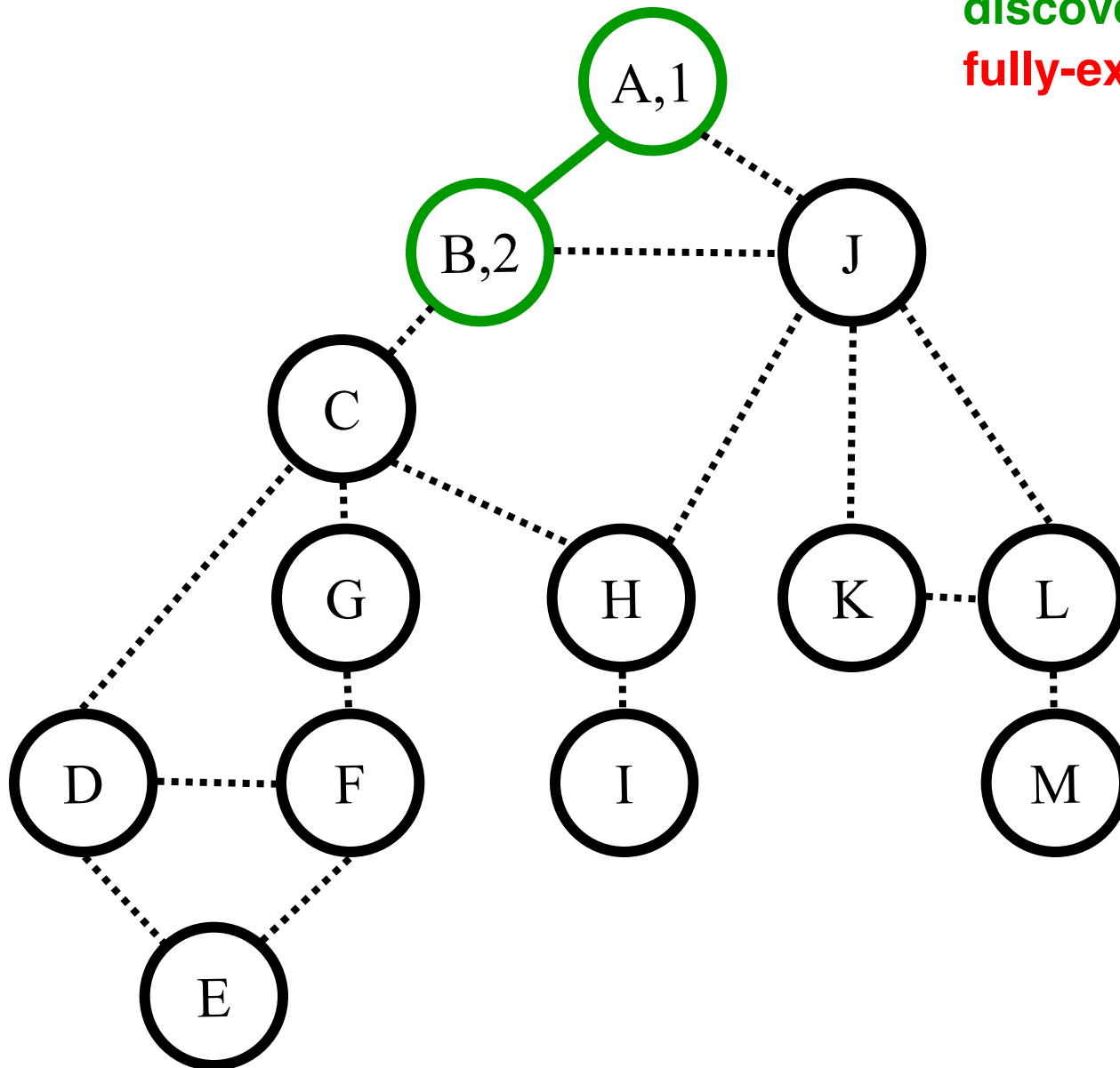
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B (A,C,J)

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{1,2}

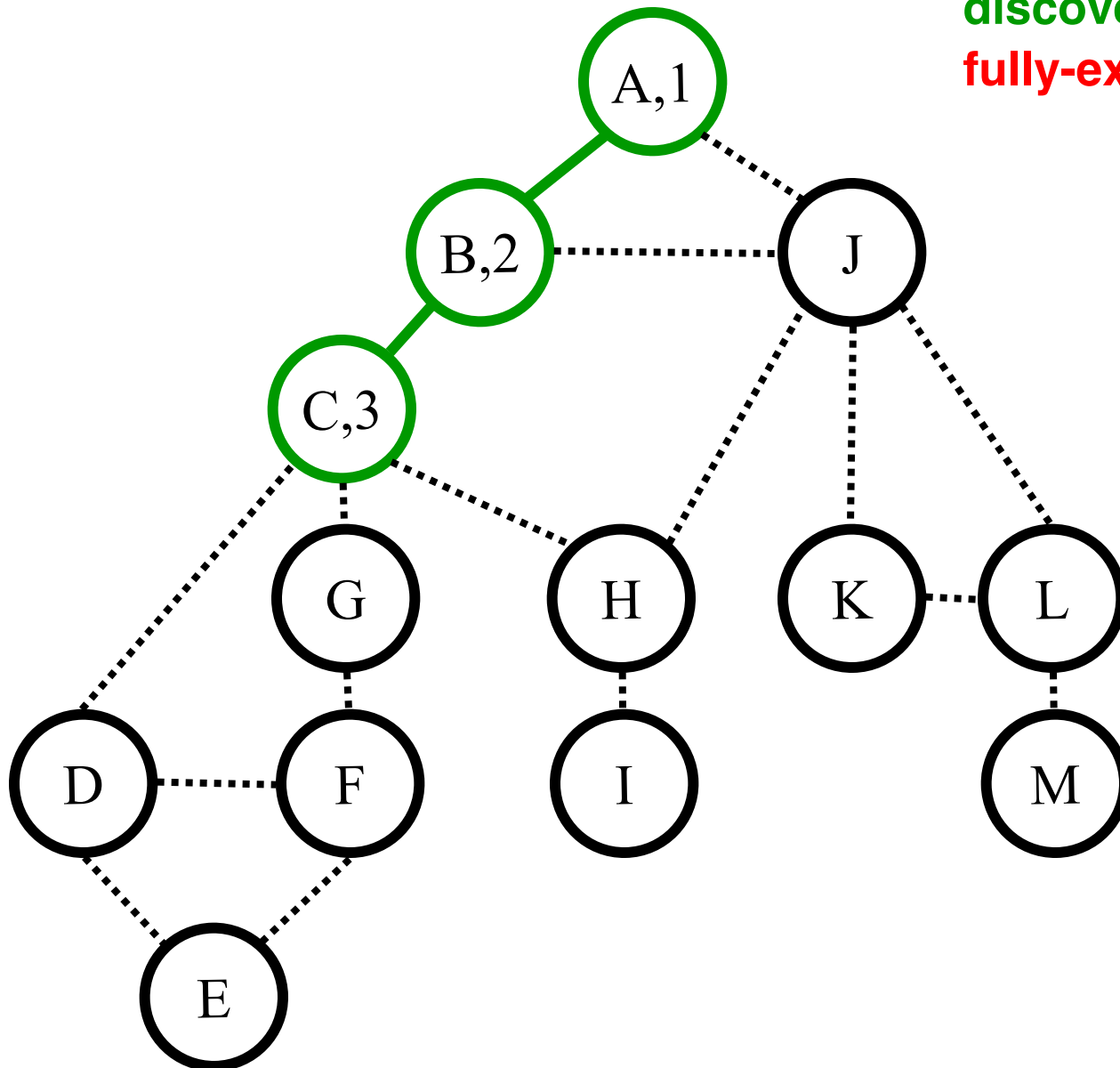
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C (B,D,G,H)

st[] =
{1,2,3}

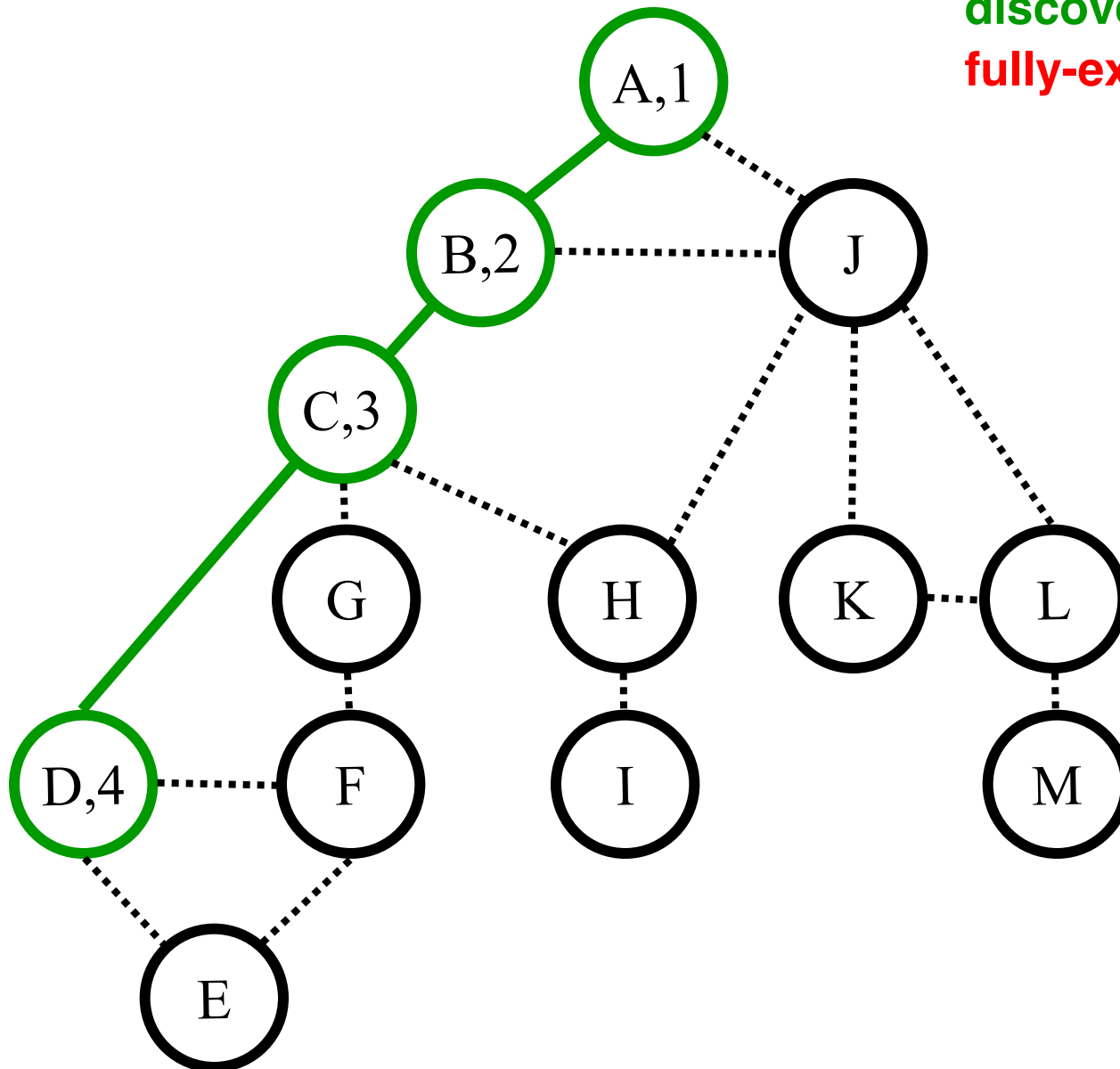
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D (C,E,F)

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{1,2,3,4}

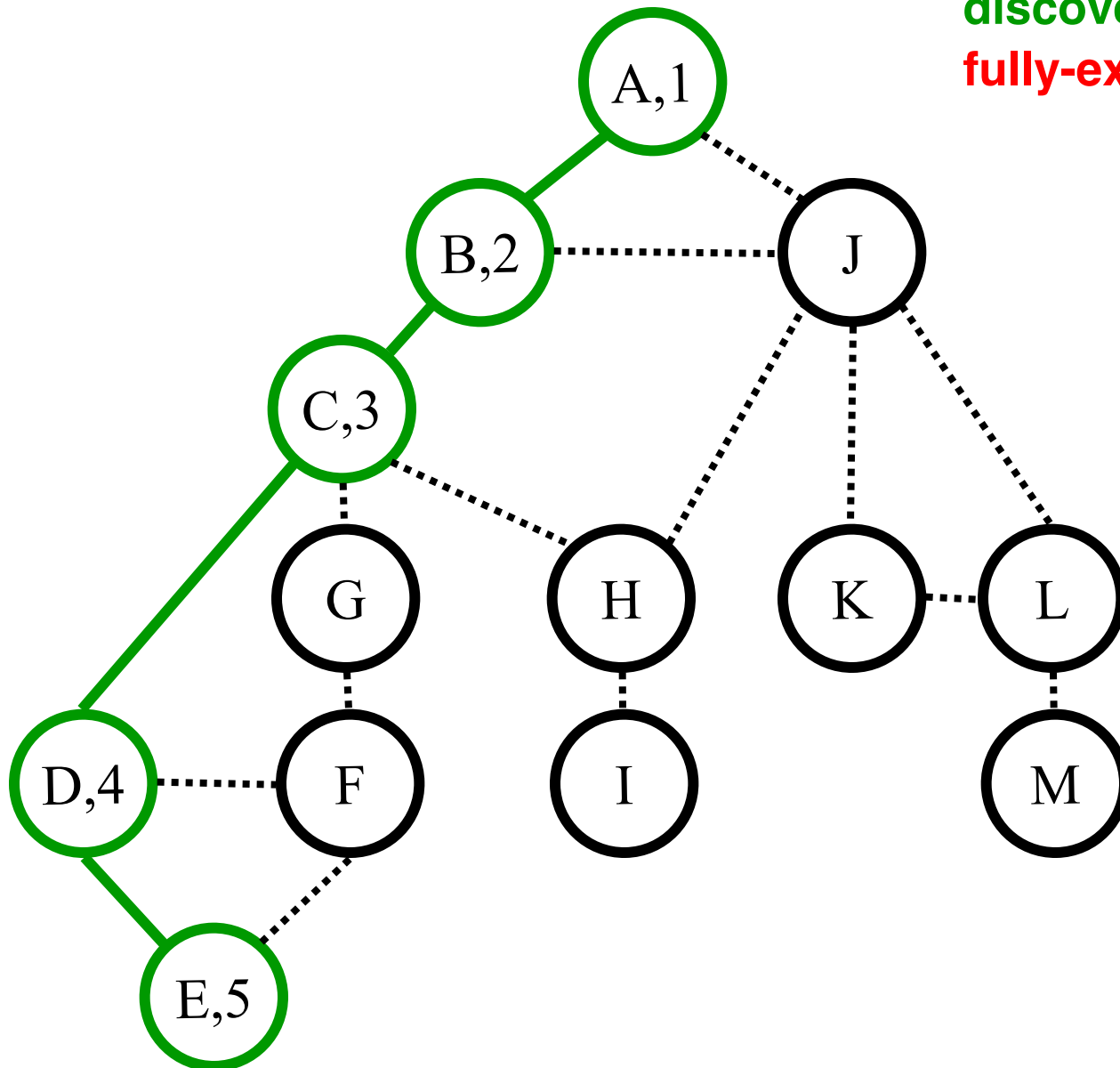
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D (~~C~~,~~E~~,F)
E (D,F)

st[] =
{1,2,3,4,5}

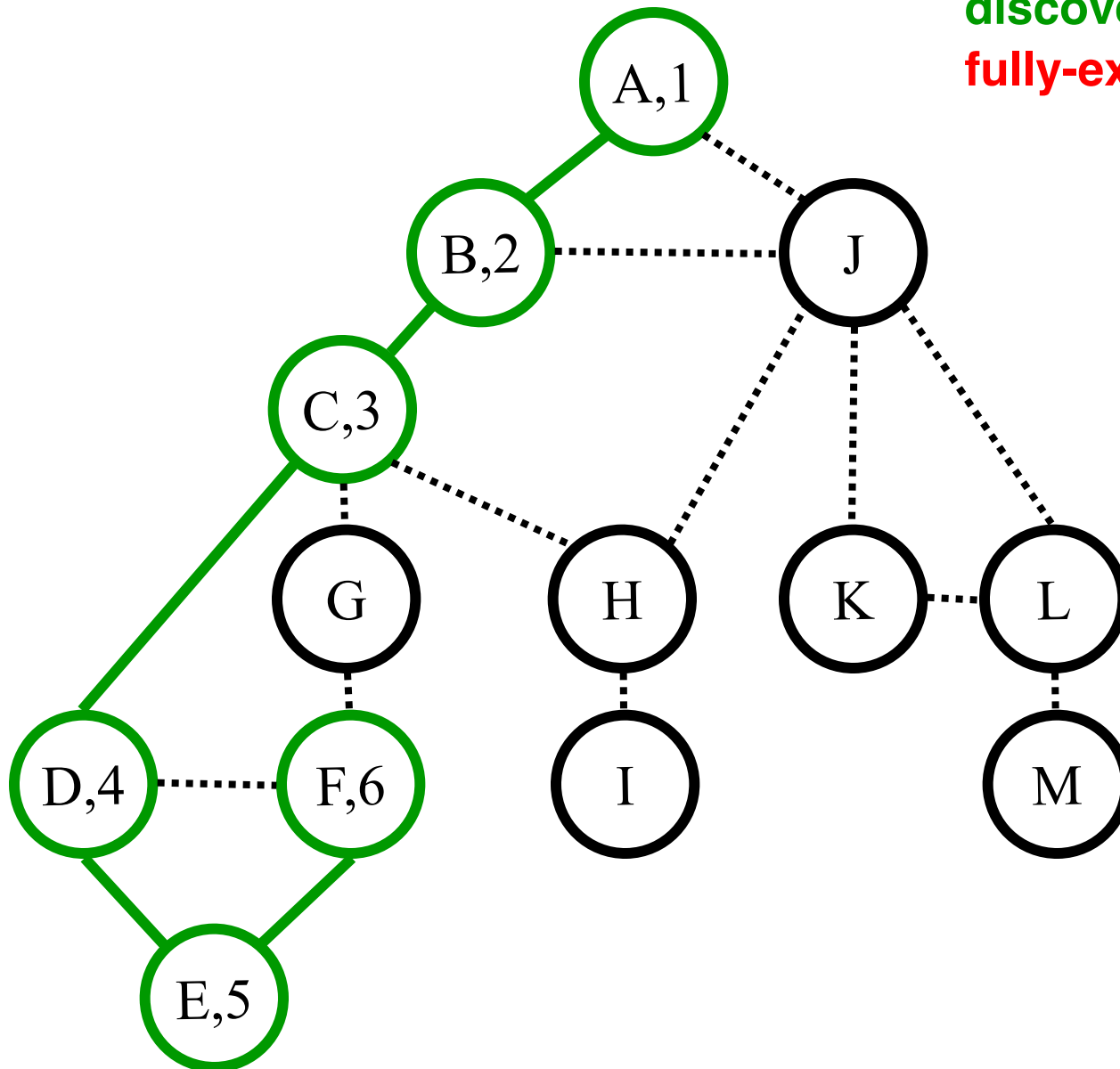
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F (D,E,G)

st[] =
{1,2,3,4,5,
6}

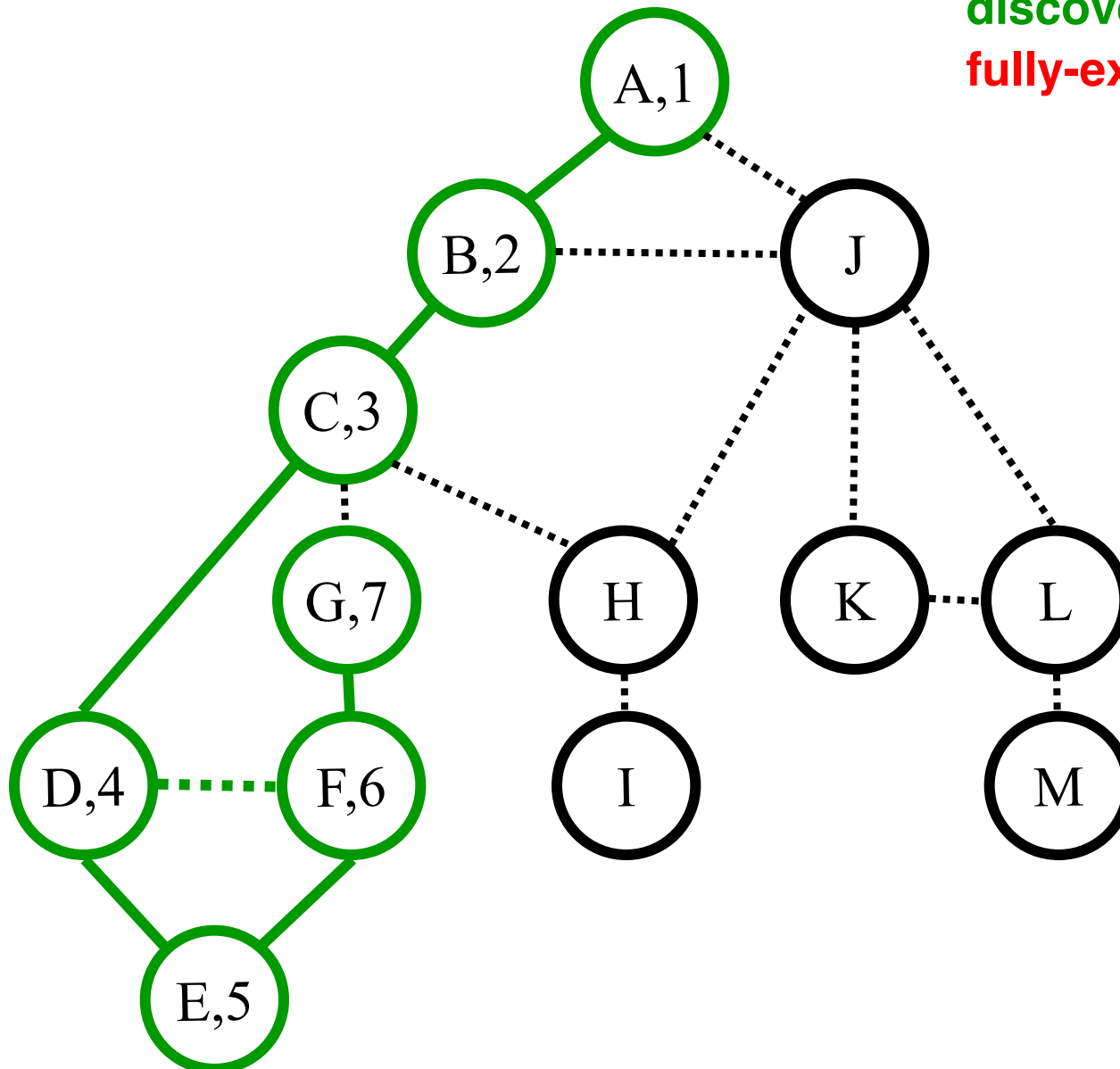
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G (C,F)

st[] =
{1,2,3,4,5,
6,7}

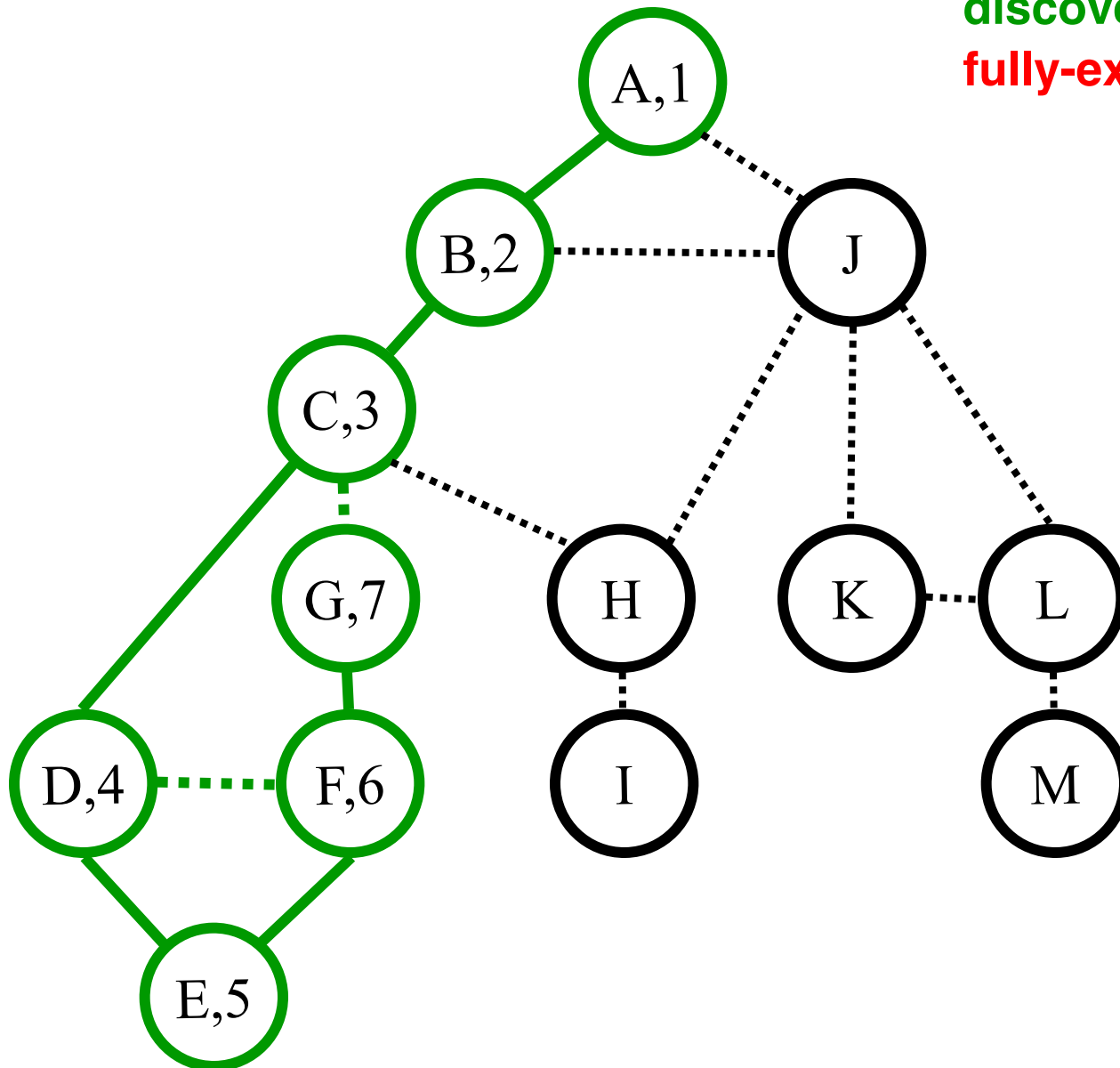
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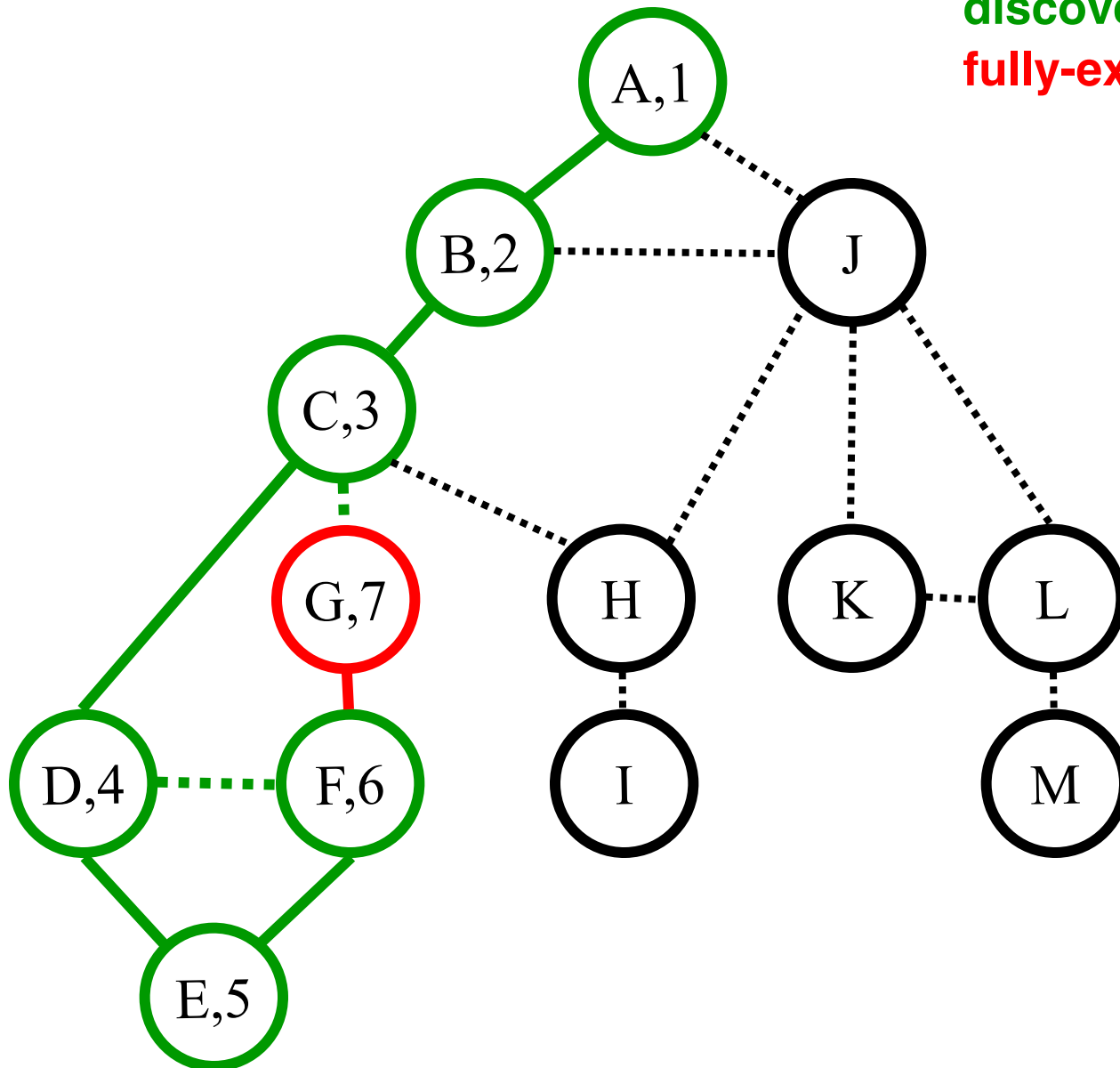
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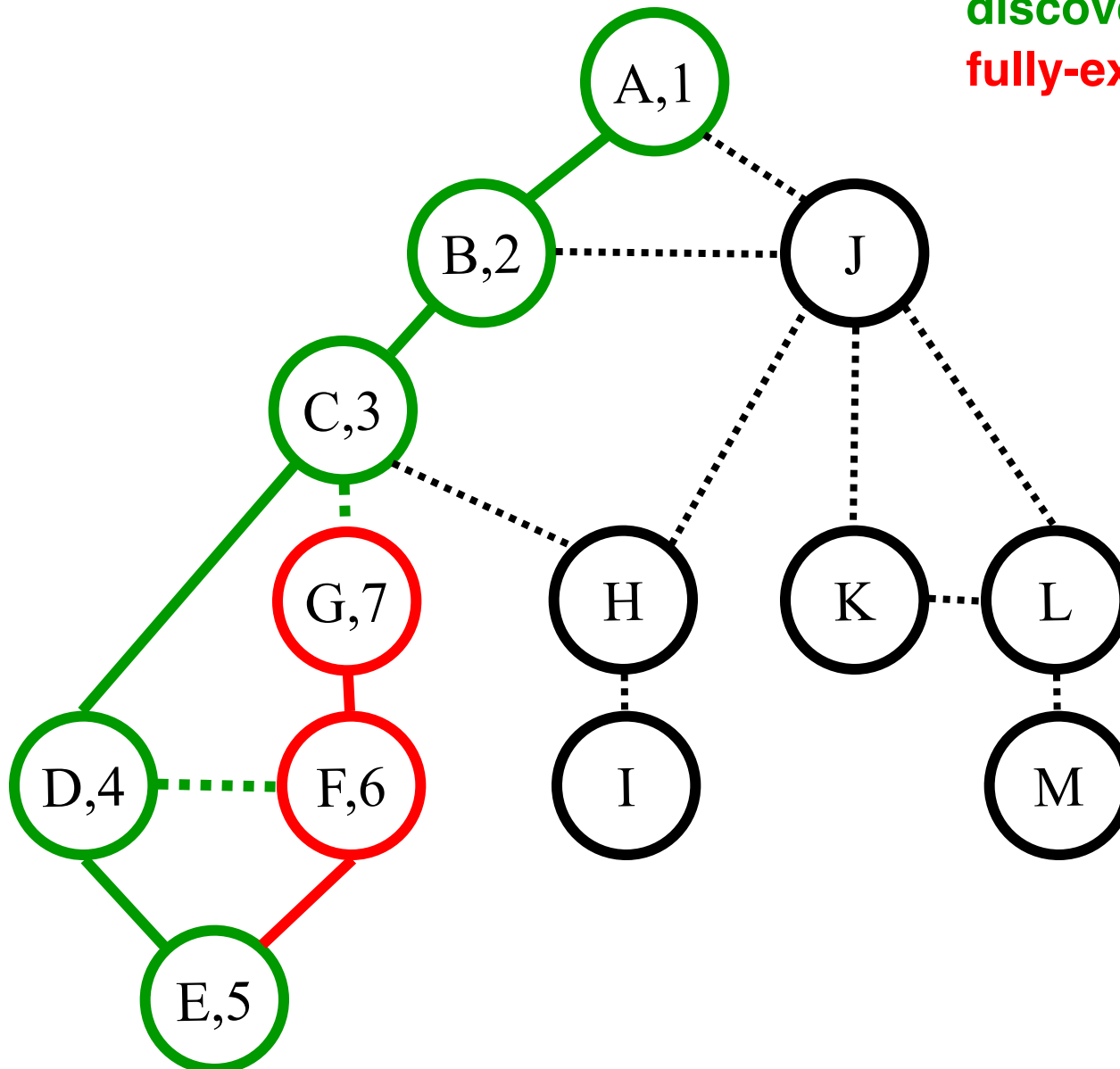
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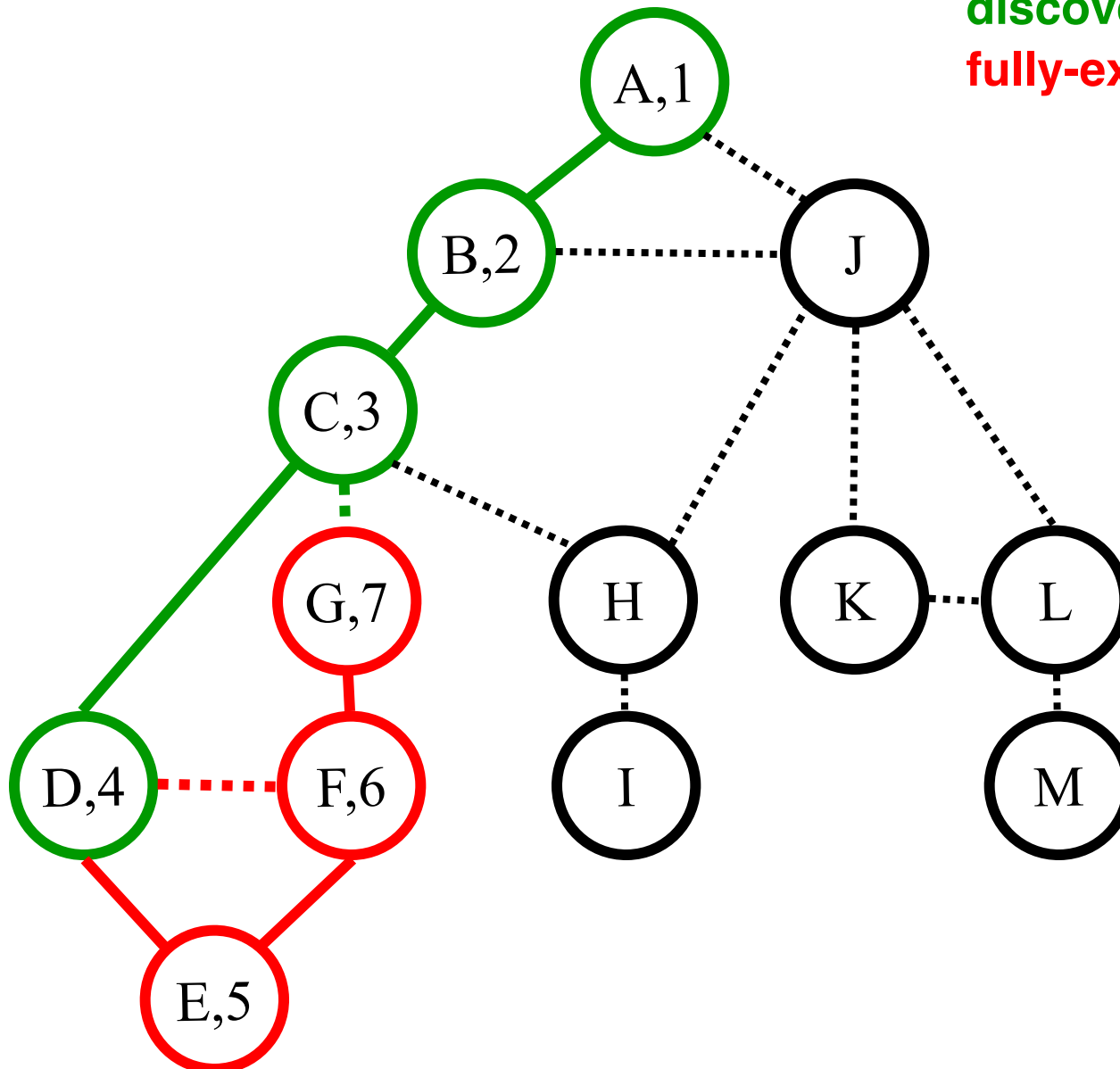
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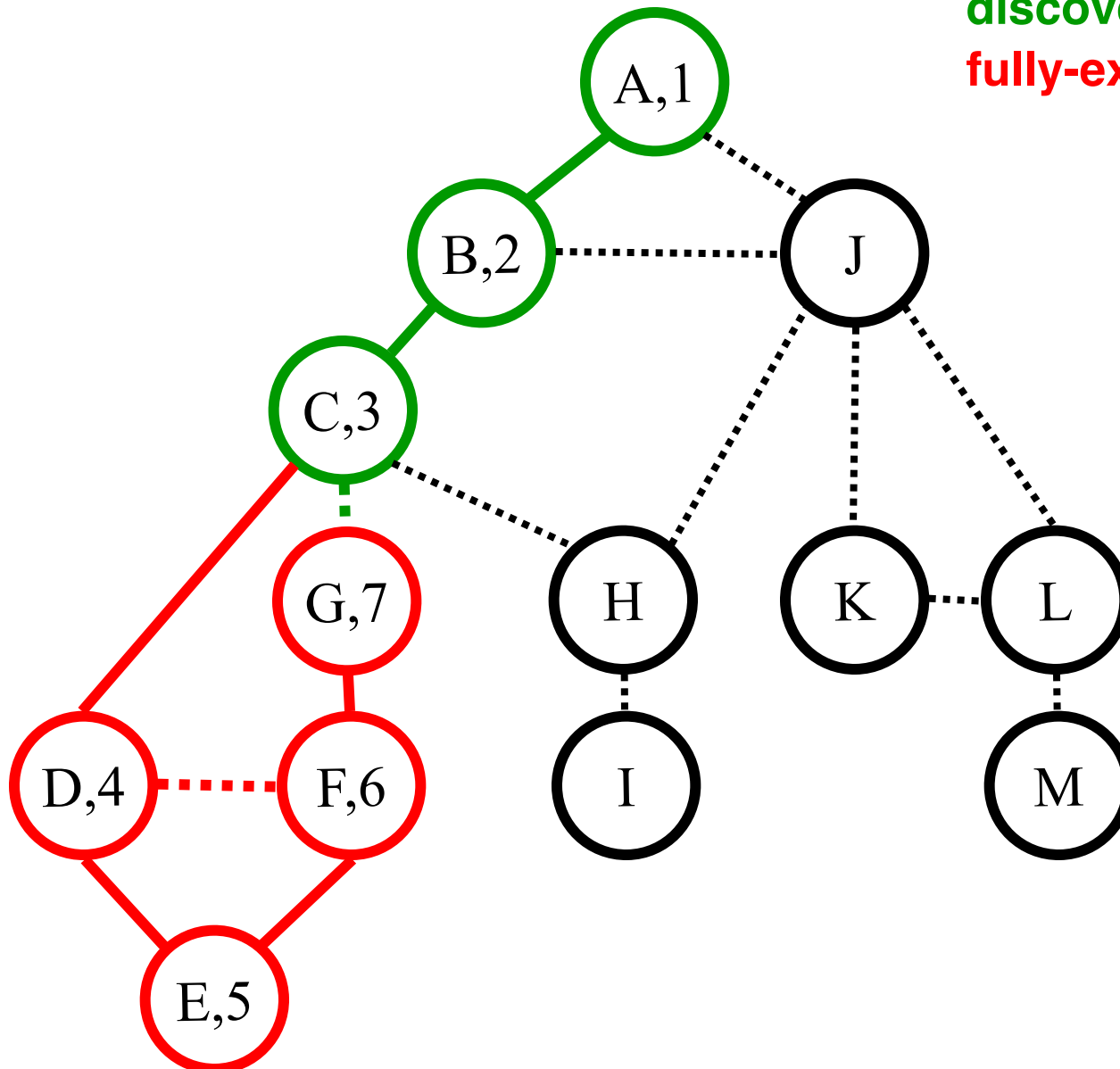
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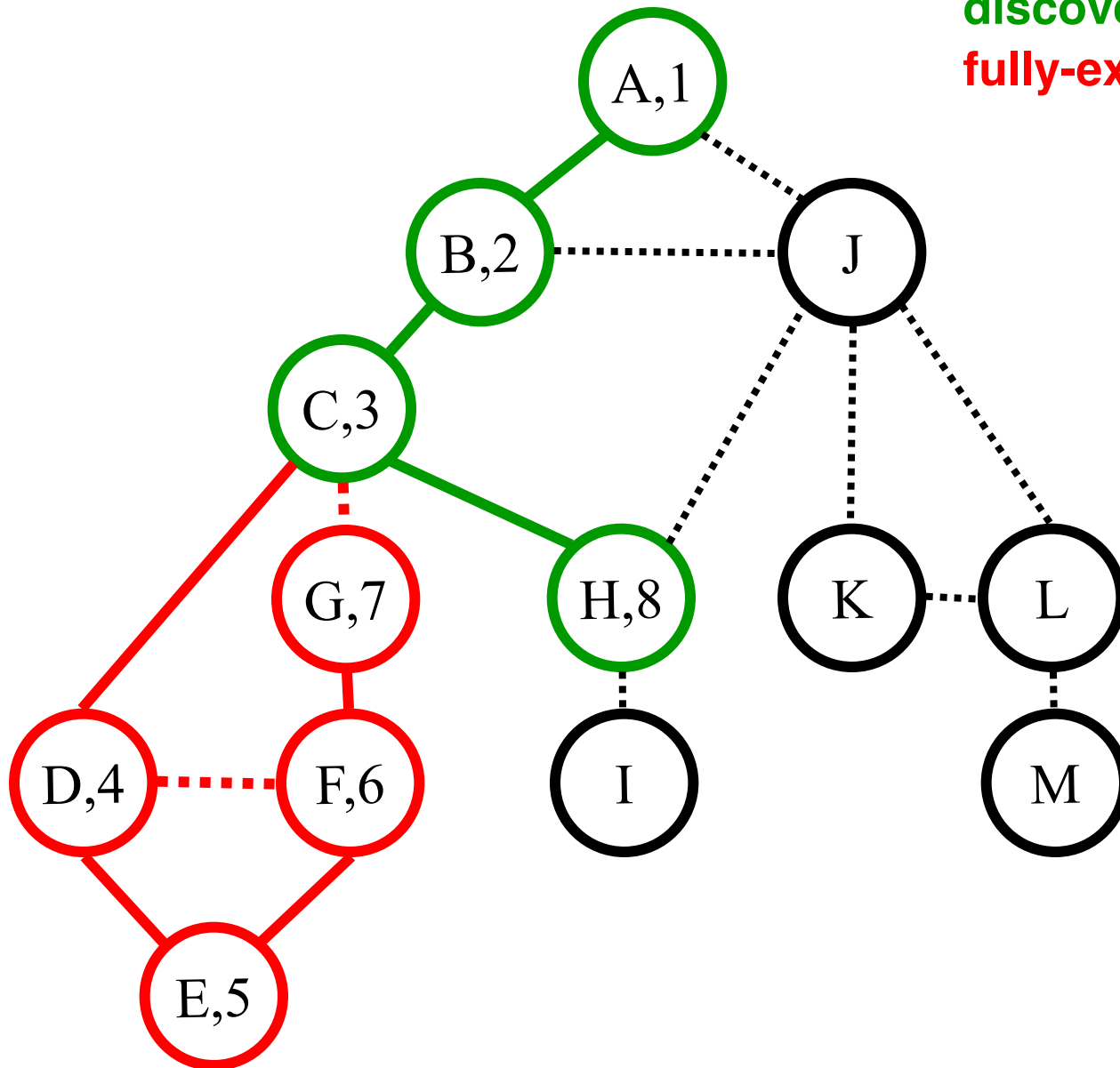
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H (C,I,J)

st[] =
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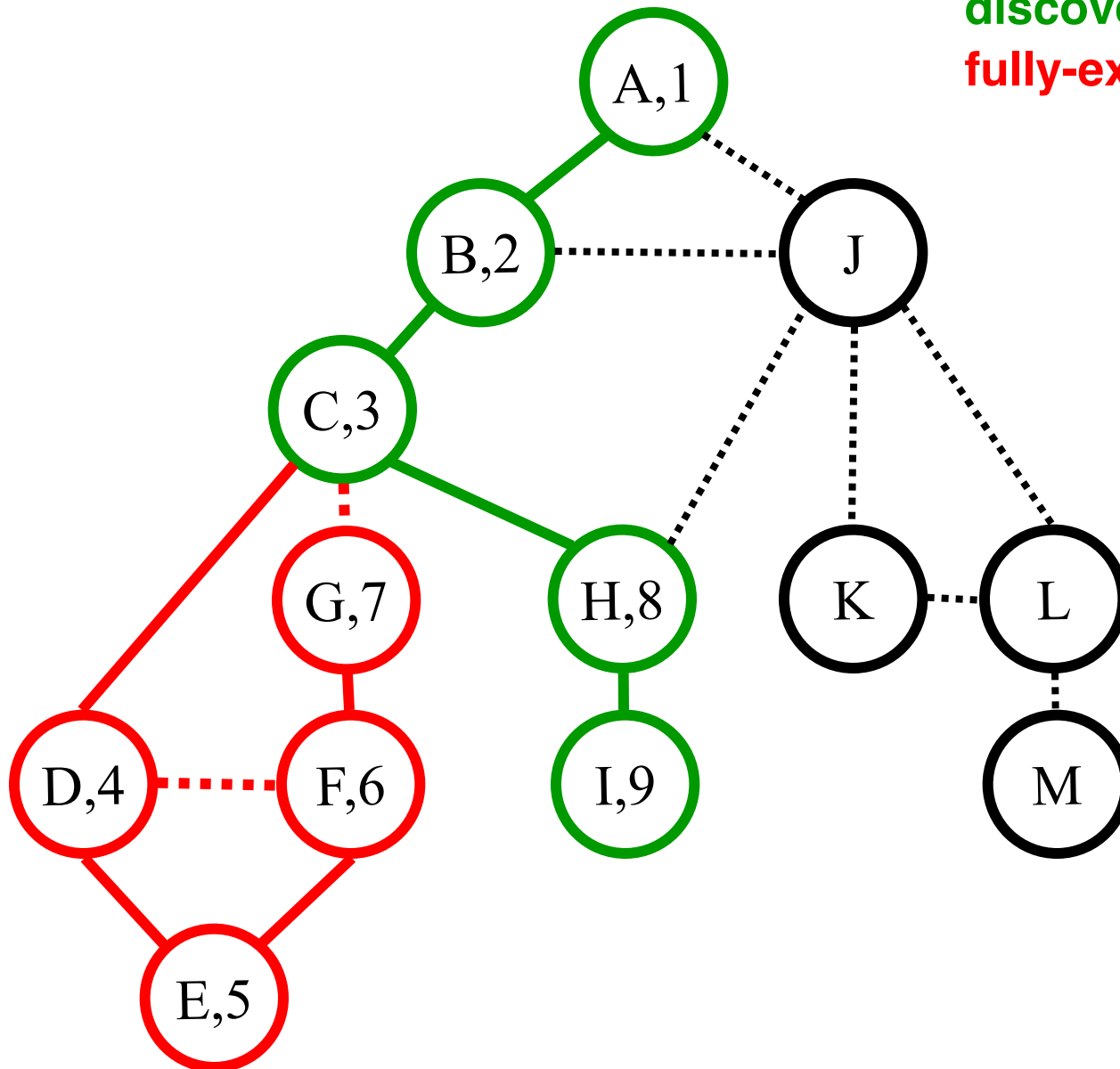
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H (~~C~~,~~I~~,J)
I (H)

st[] =
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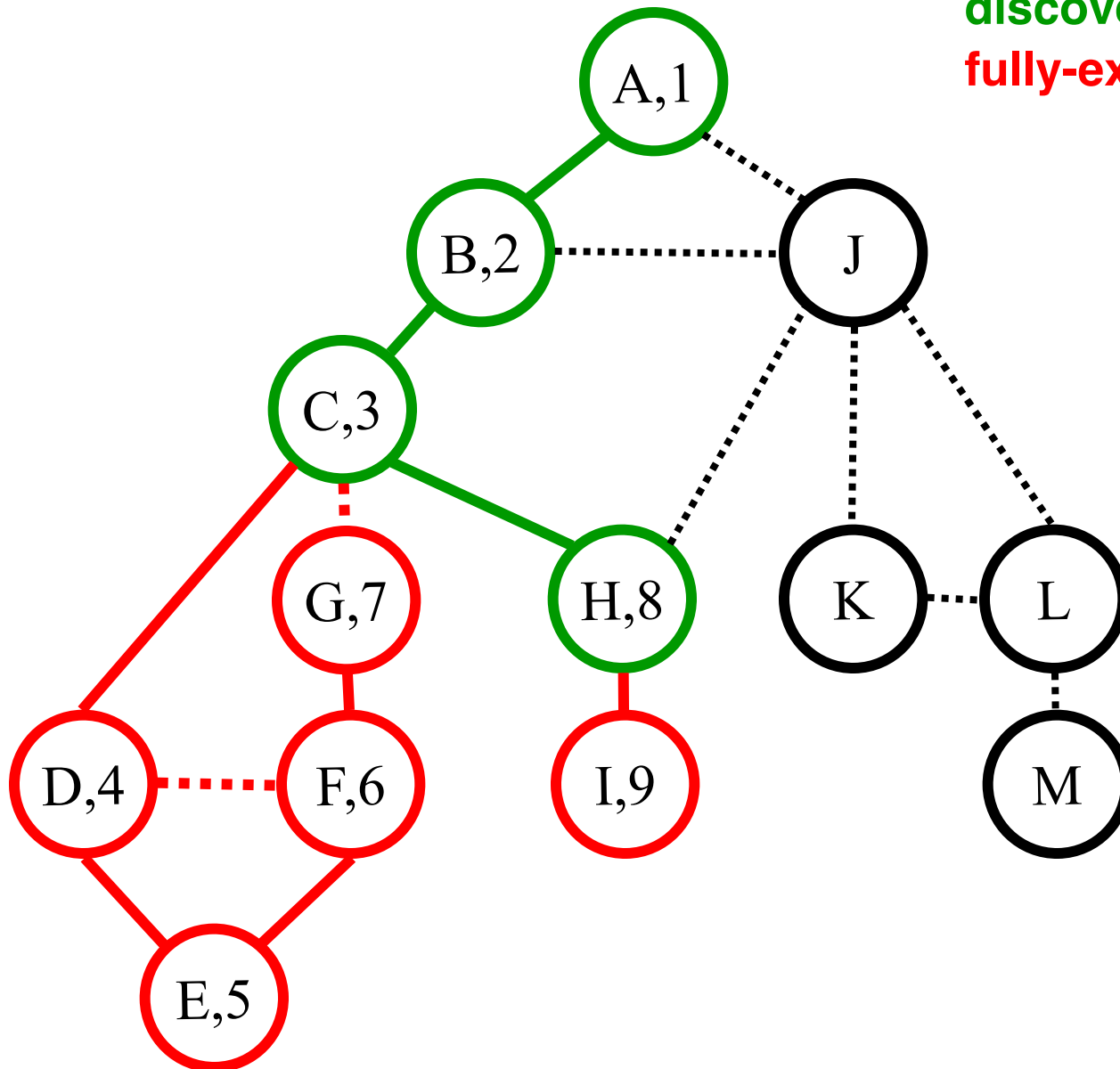
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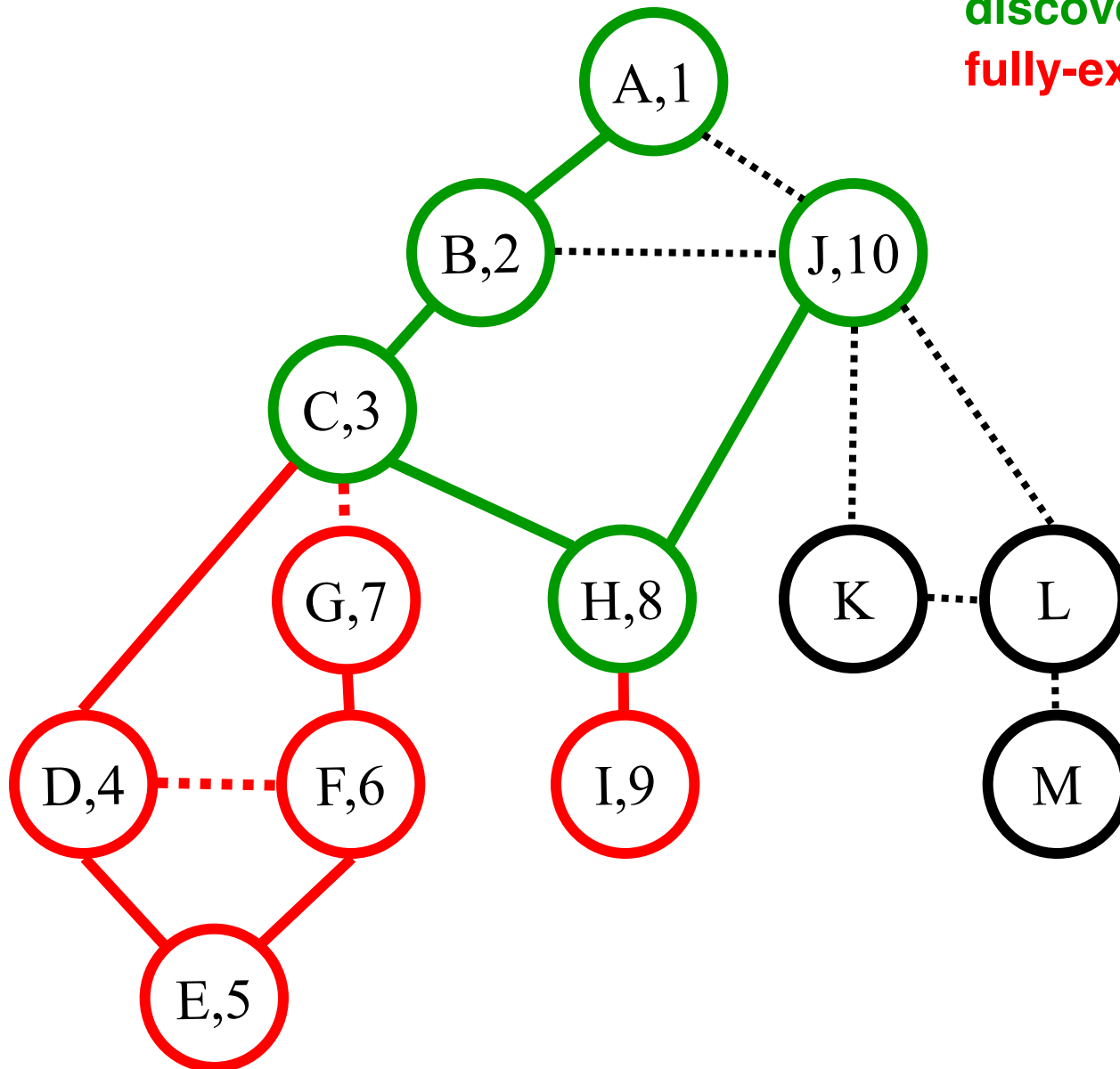
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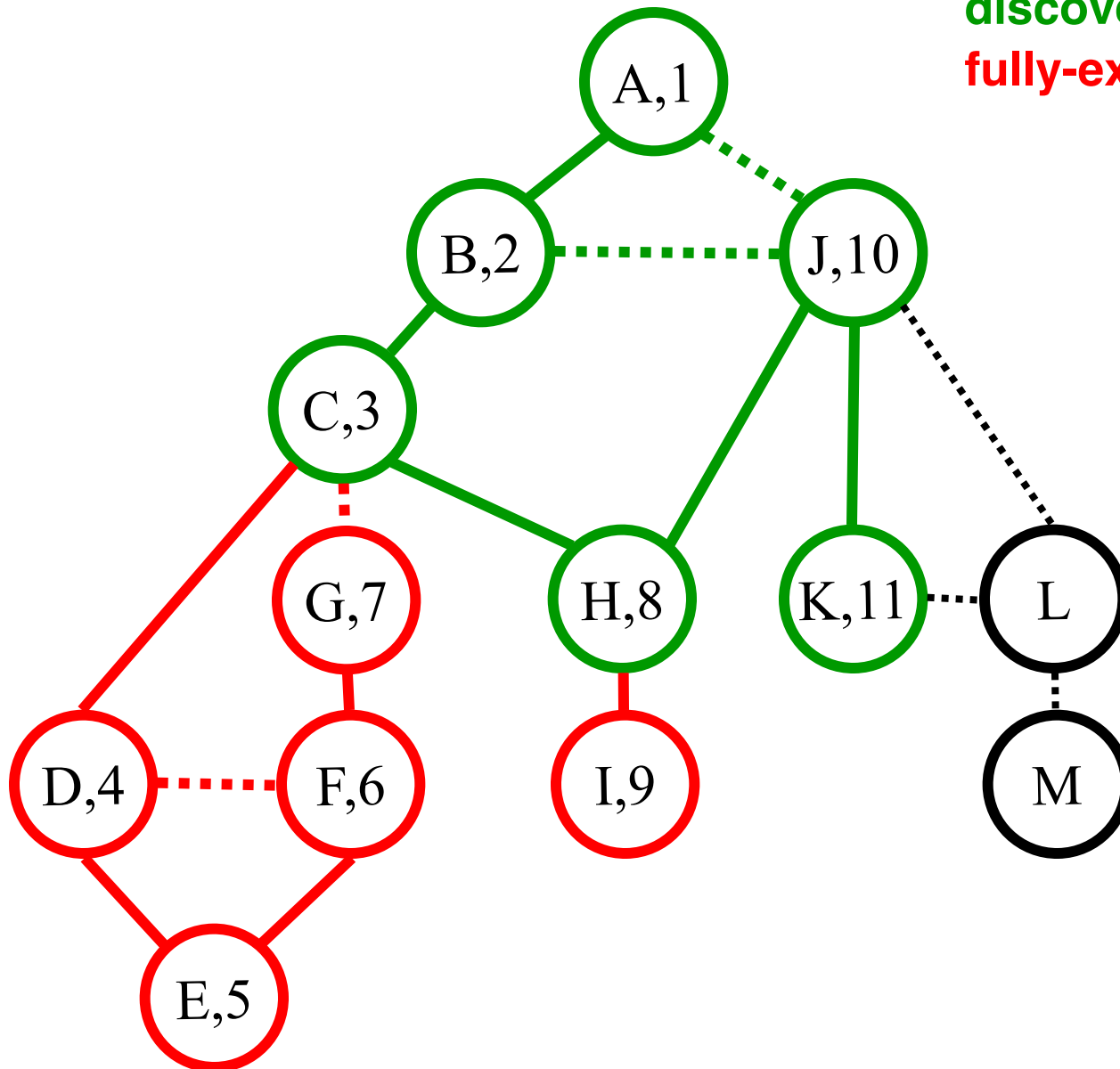
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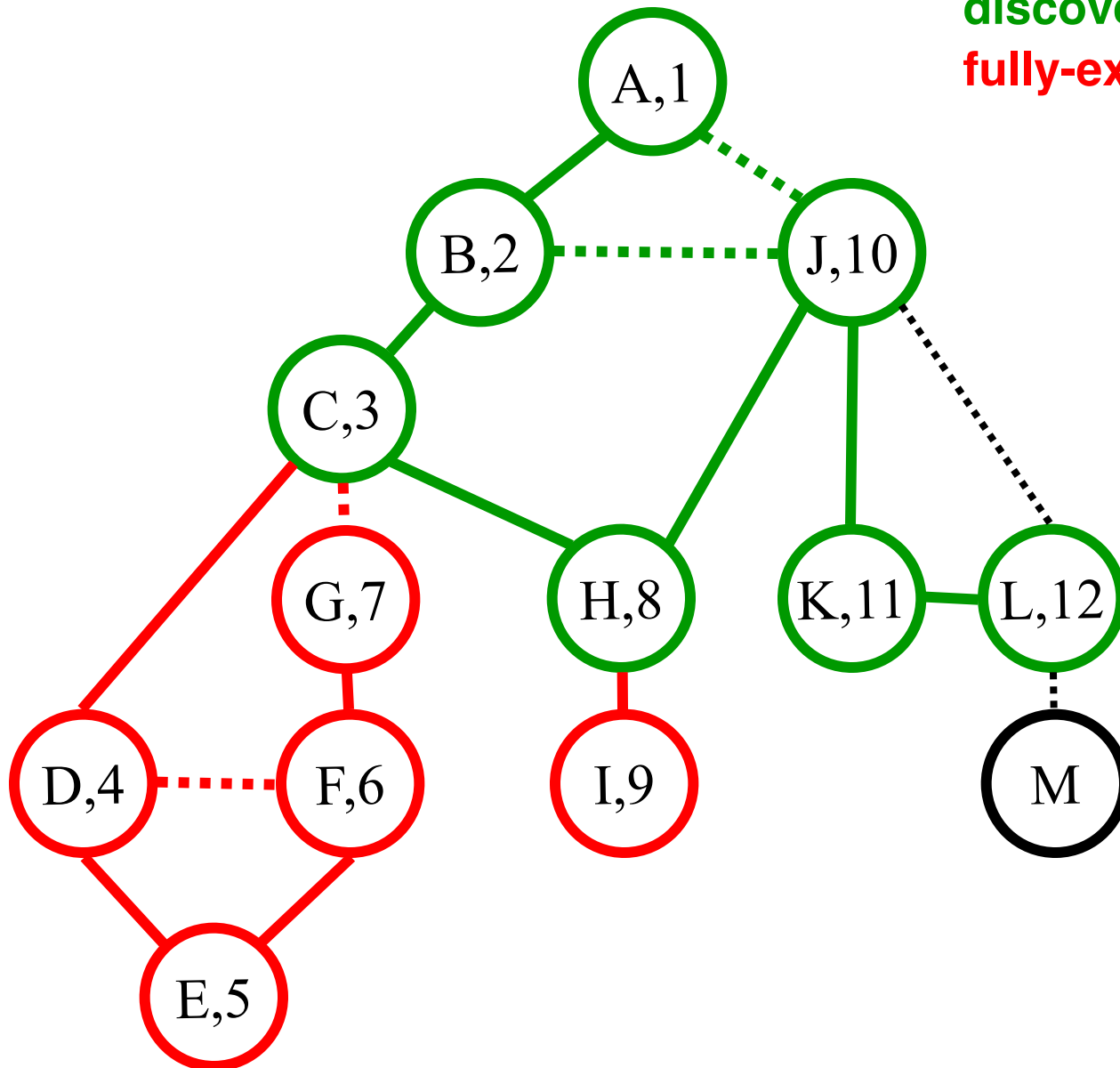
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L (J,K,M)

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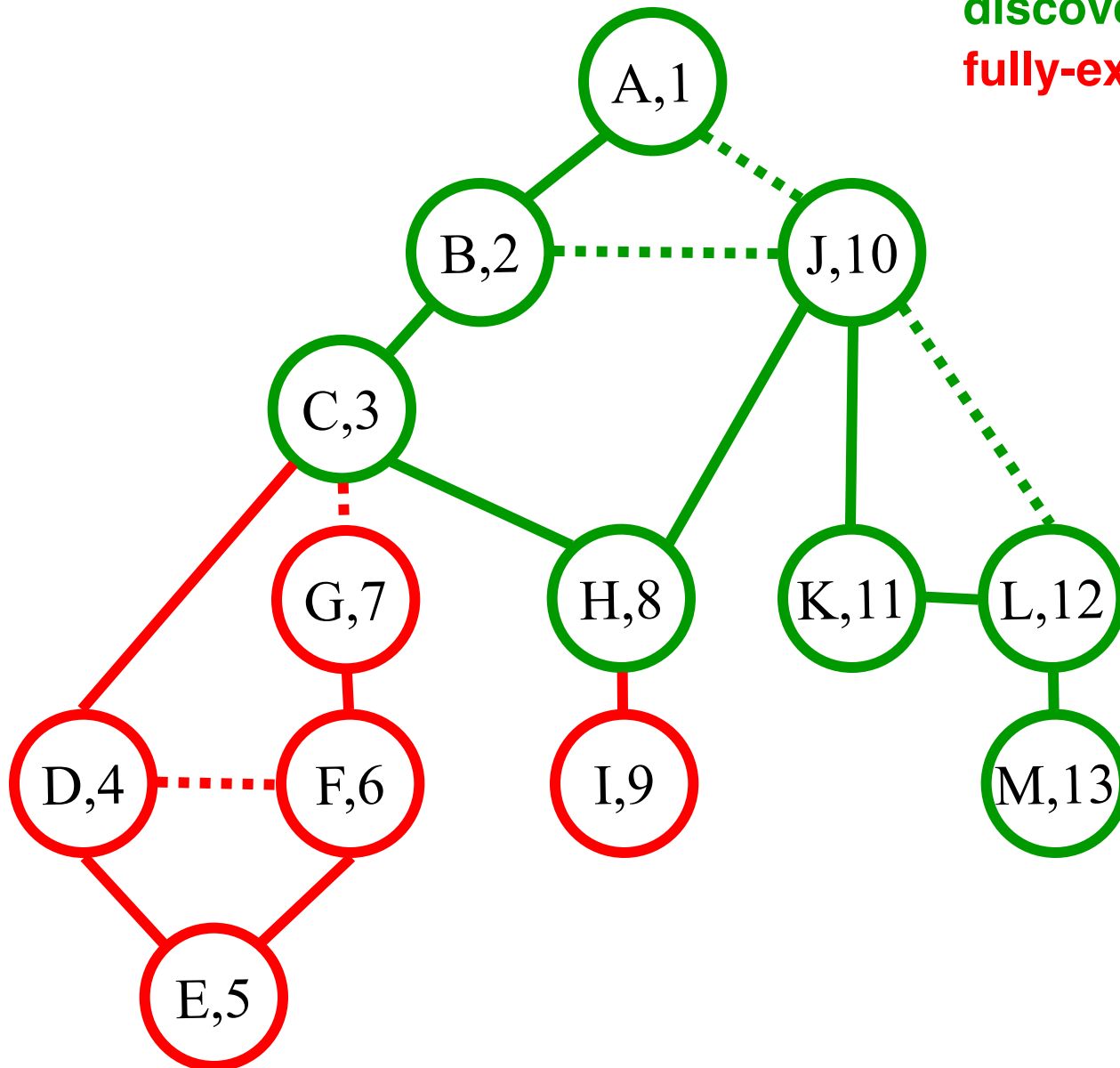
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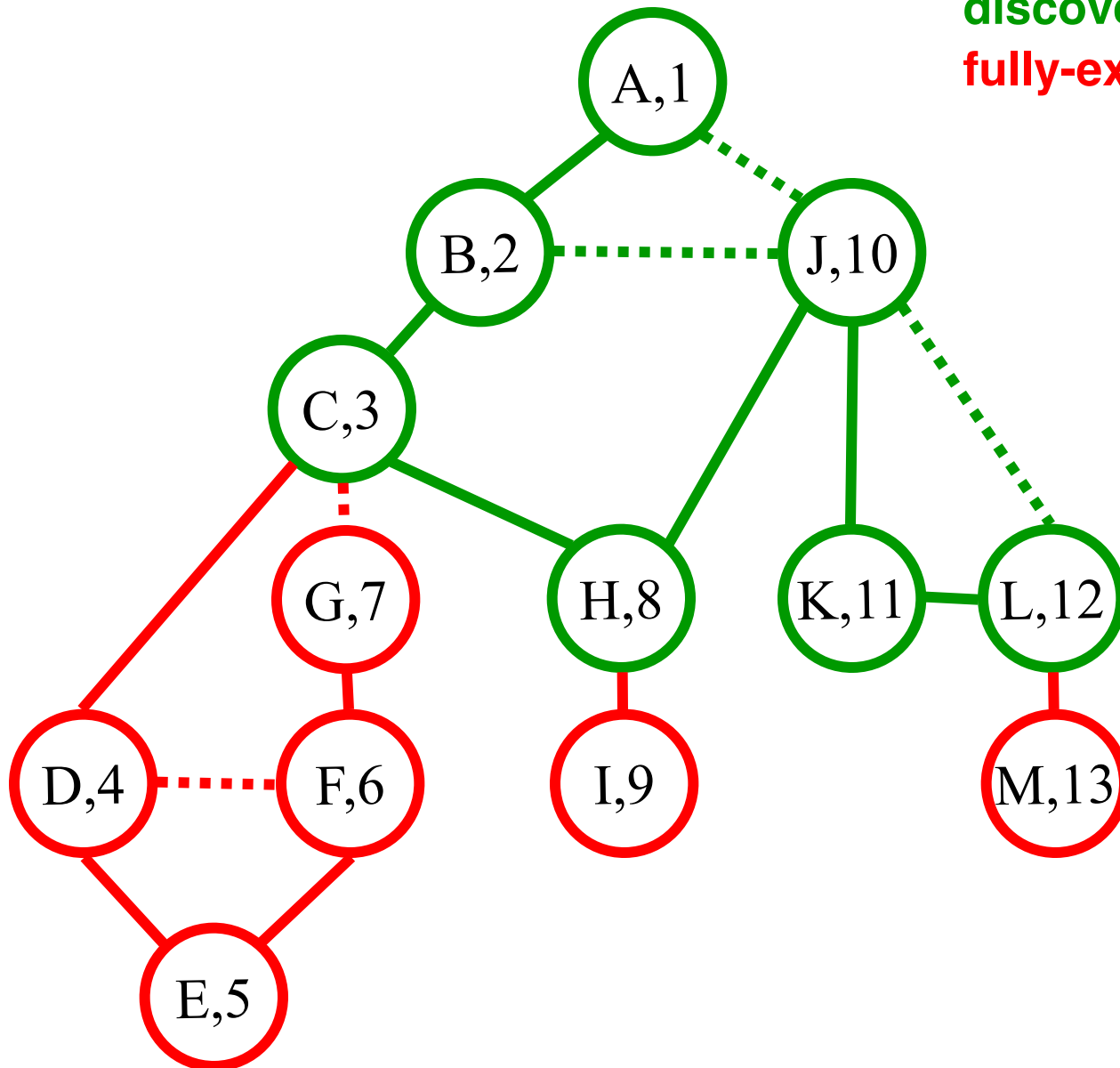
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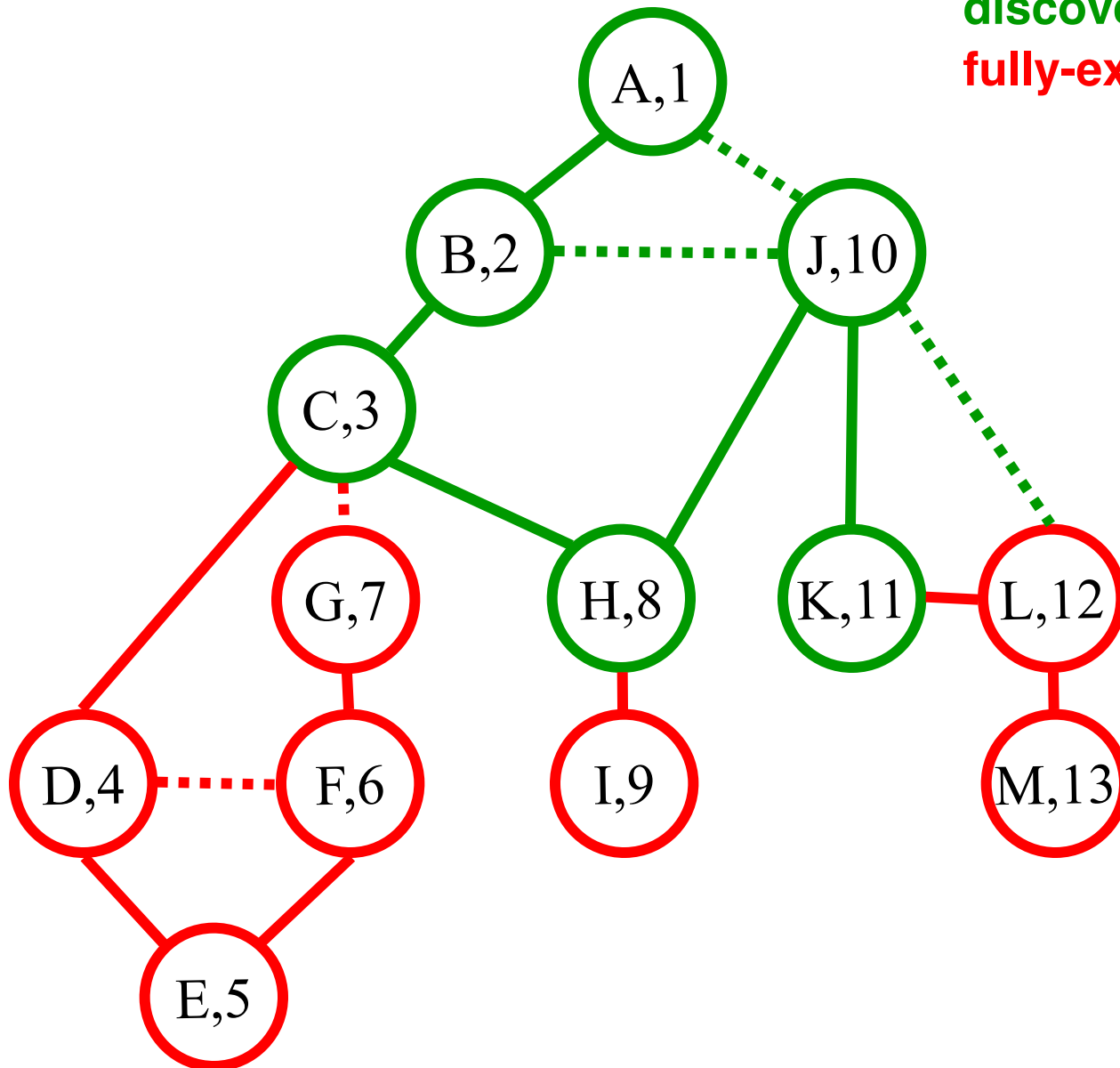
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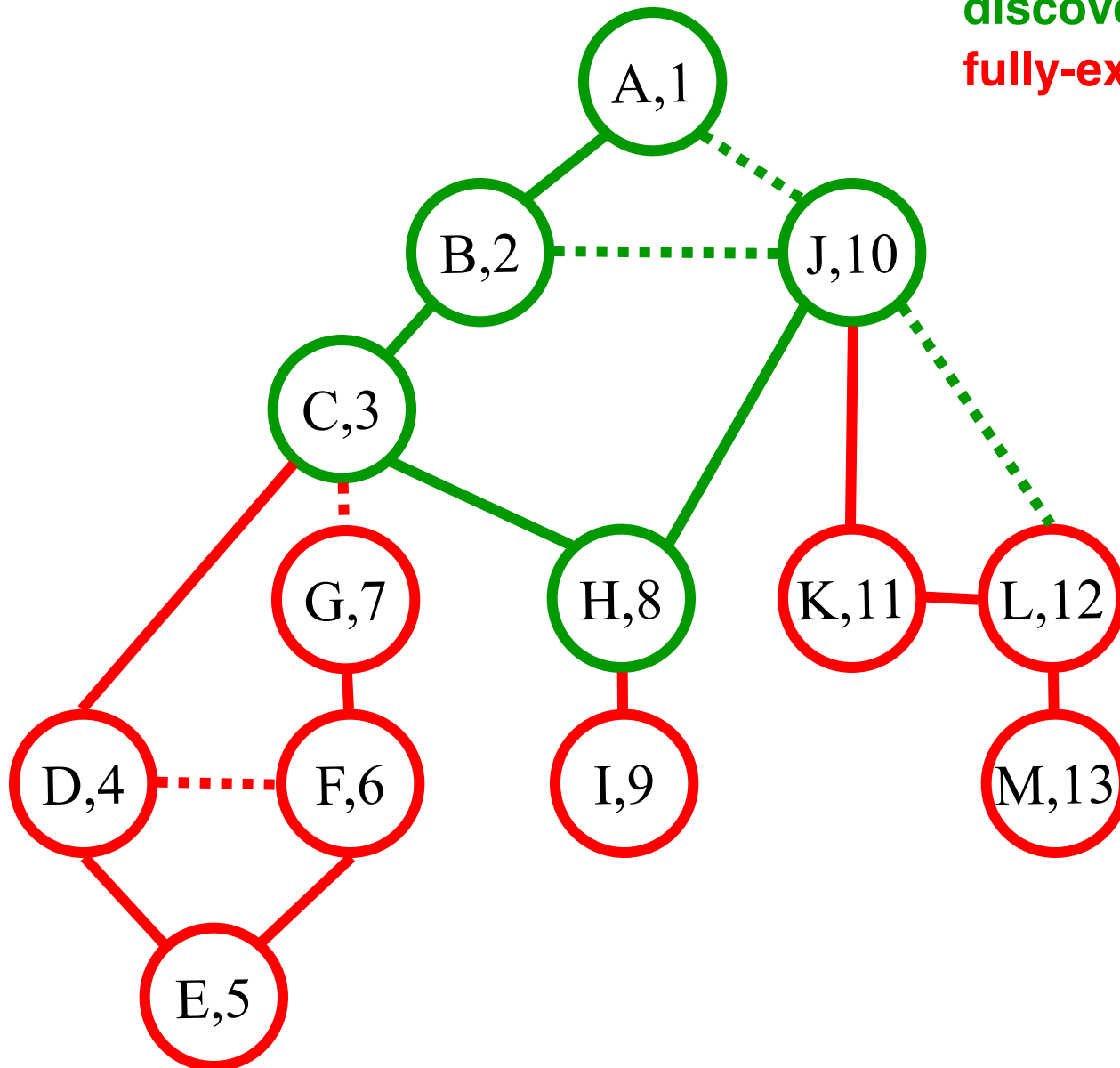
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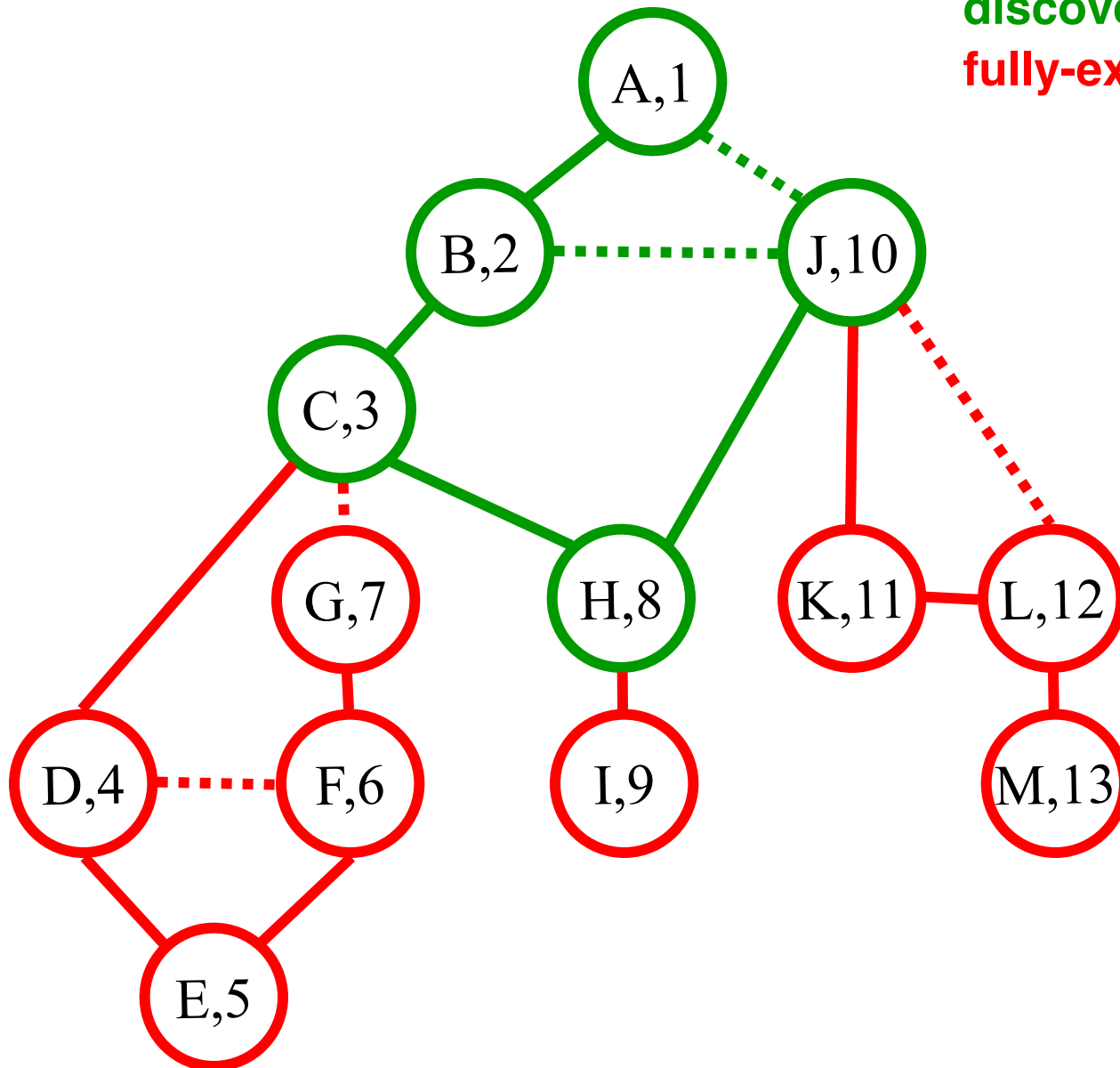
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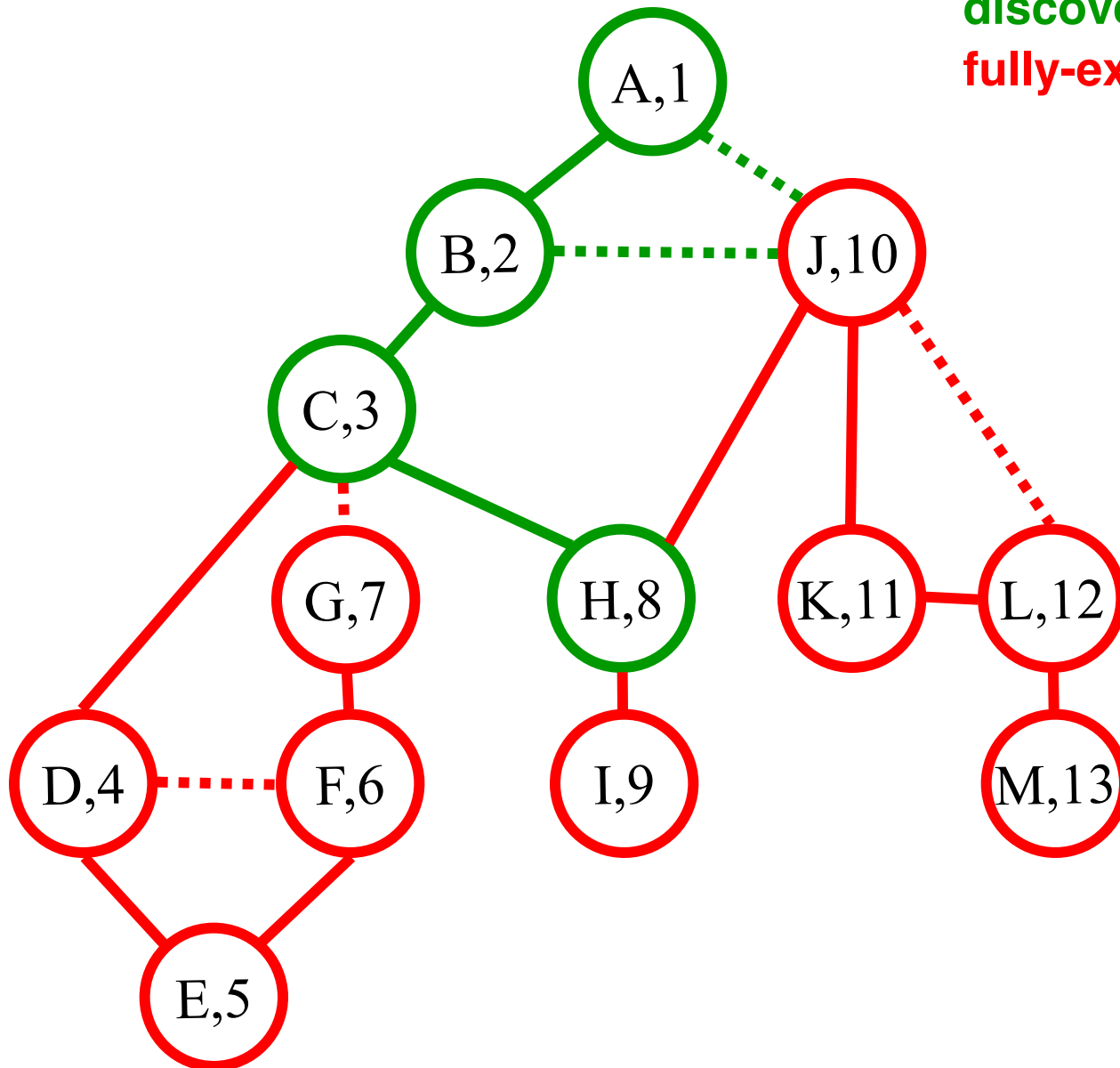
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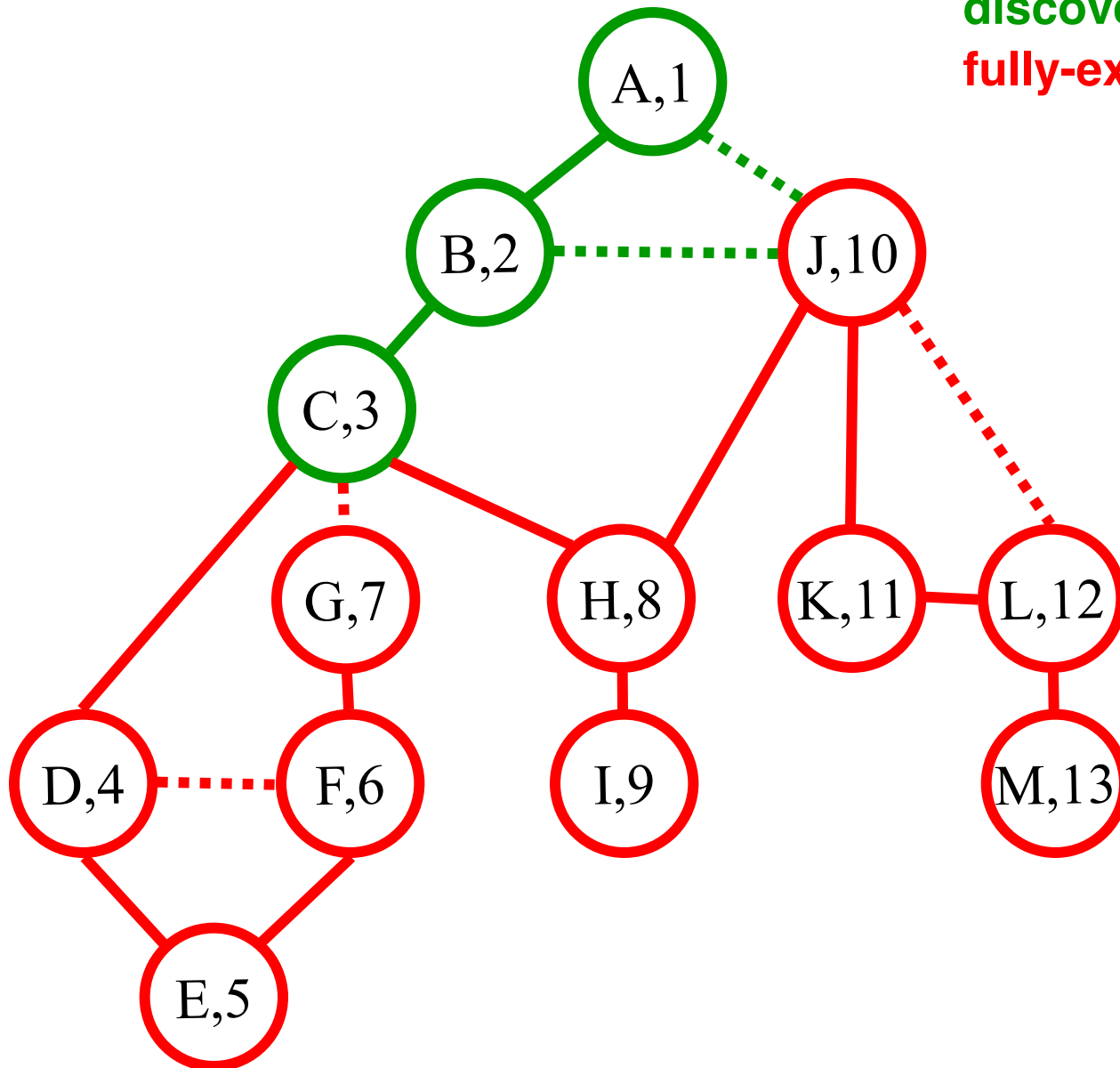
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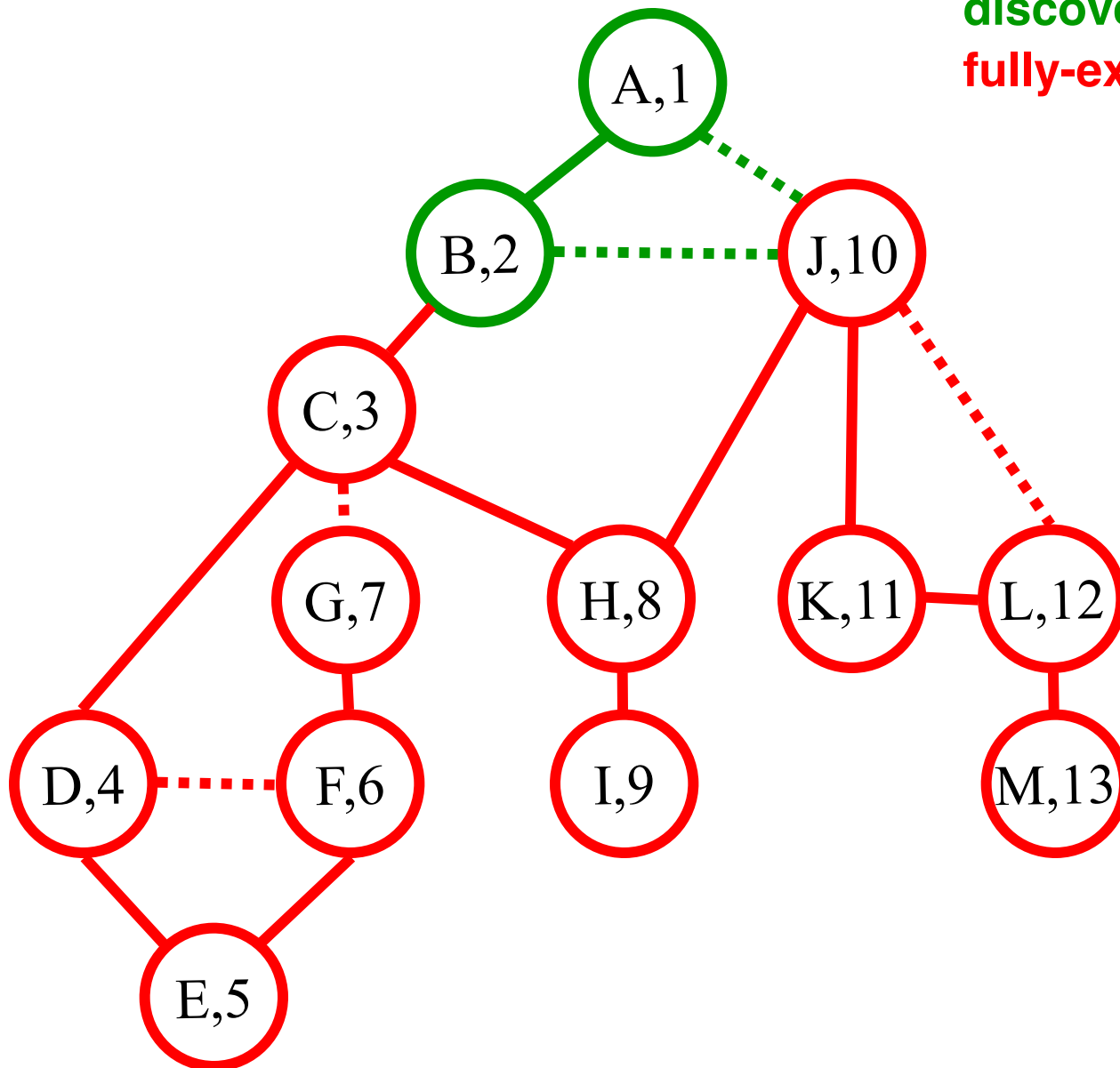
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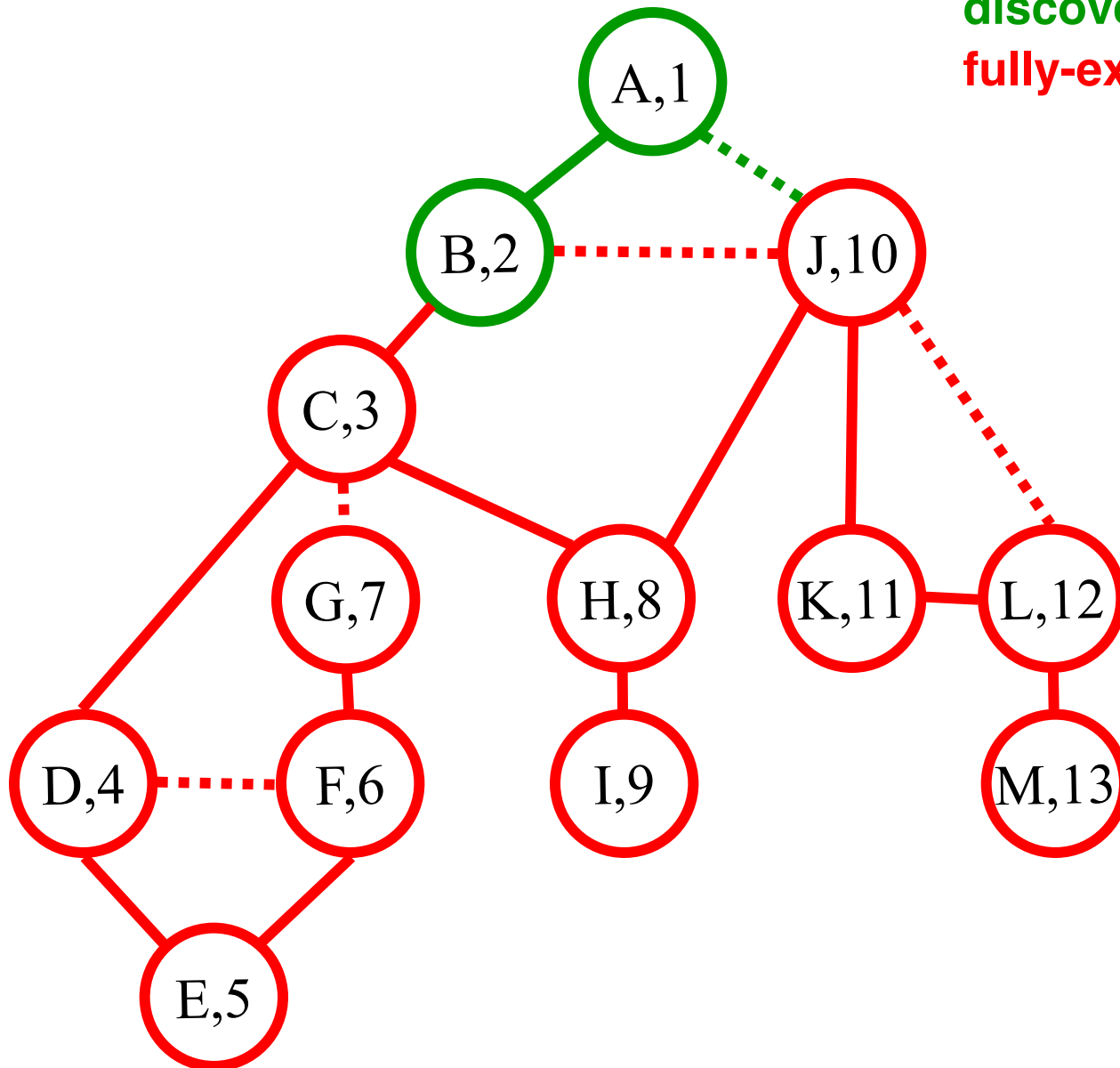
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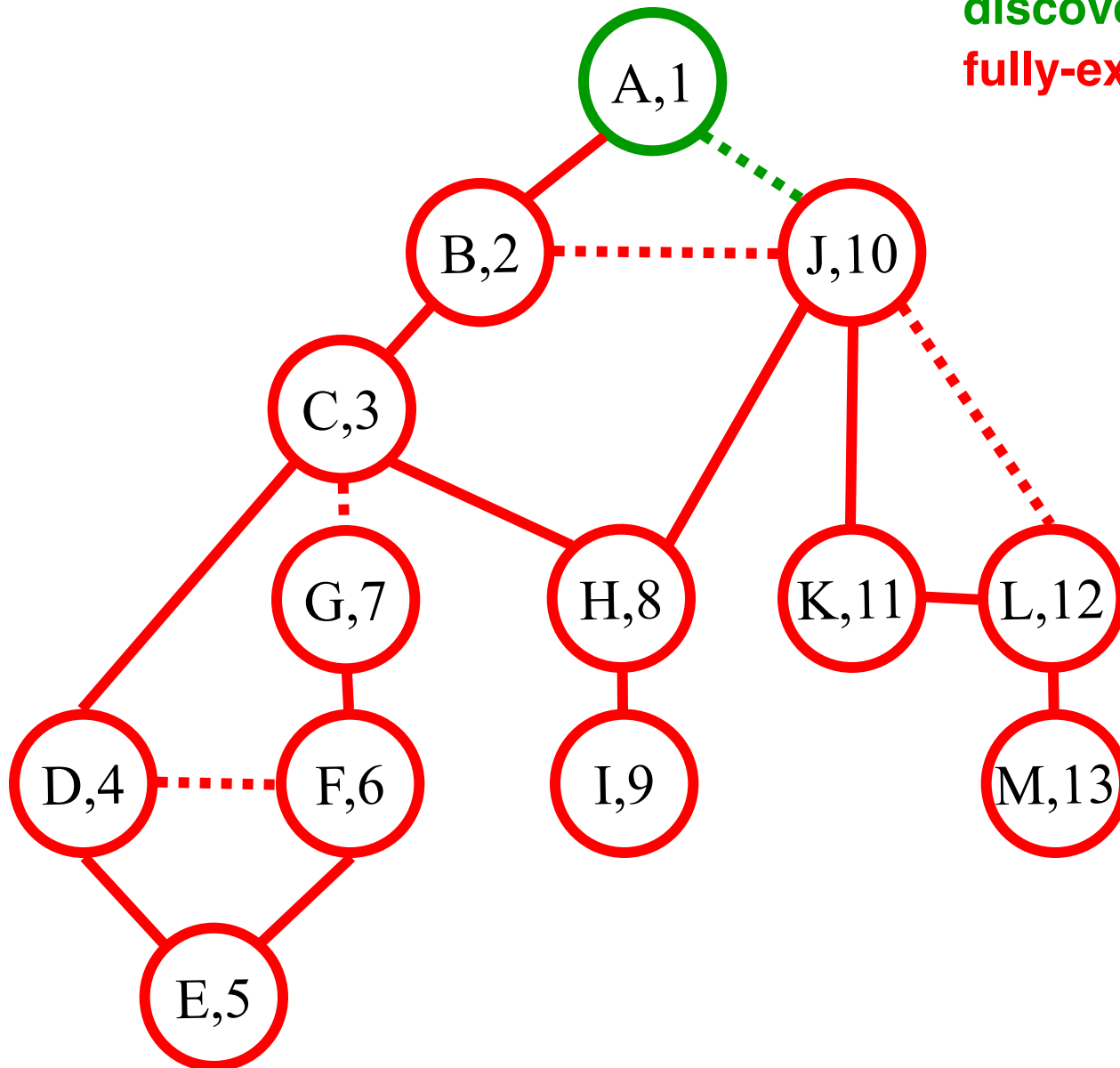
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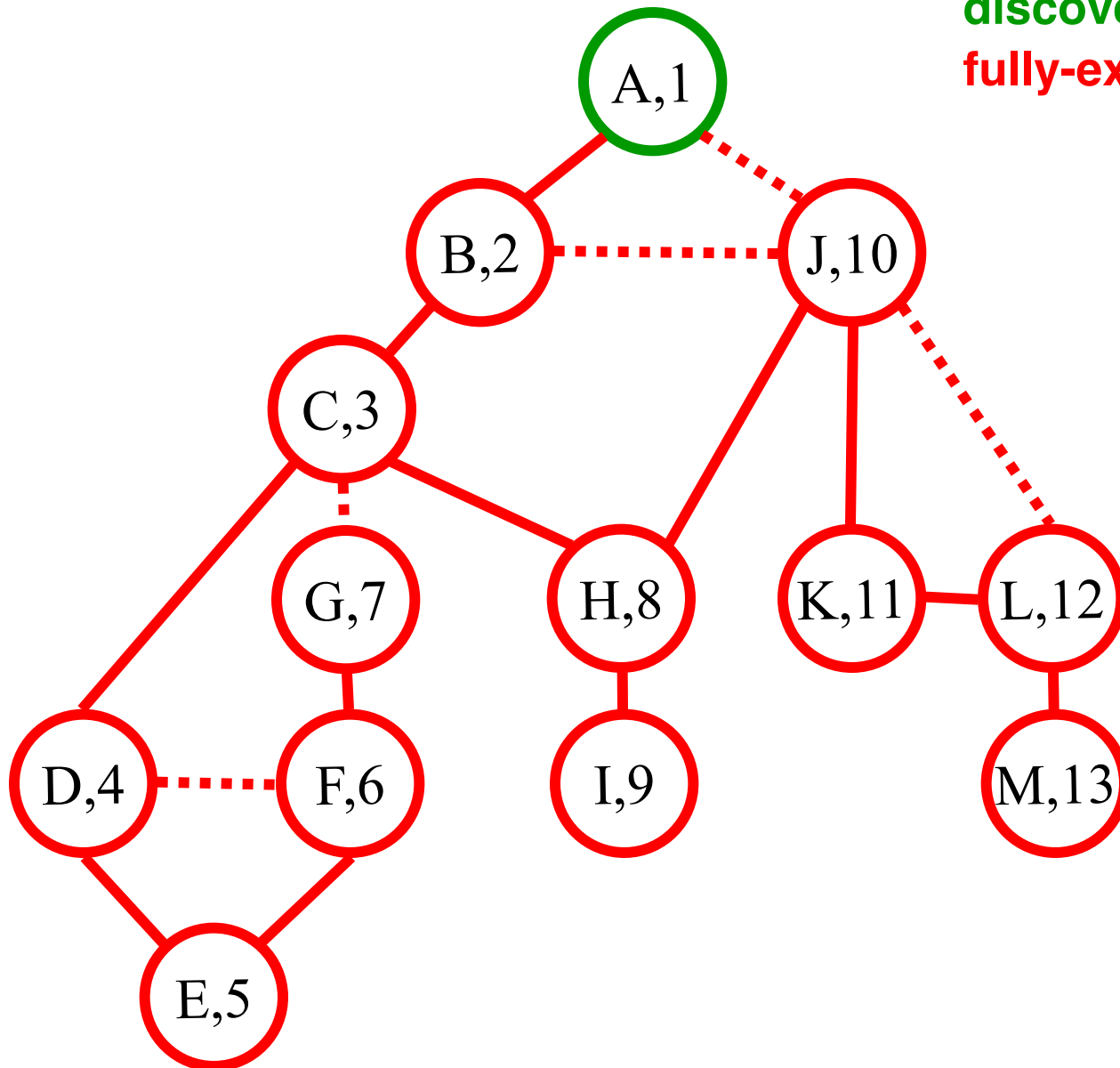
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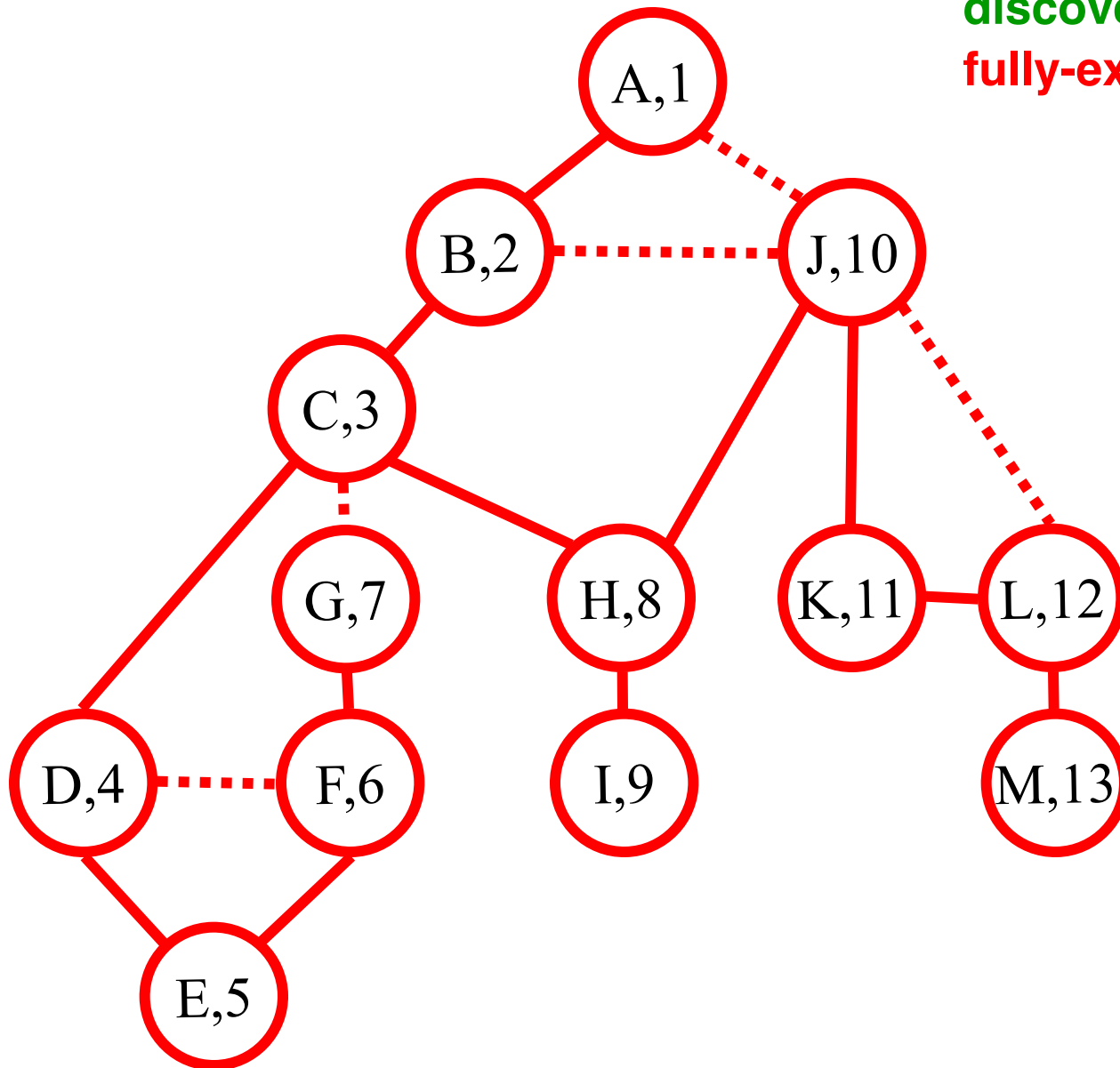
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TA-DA!!

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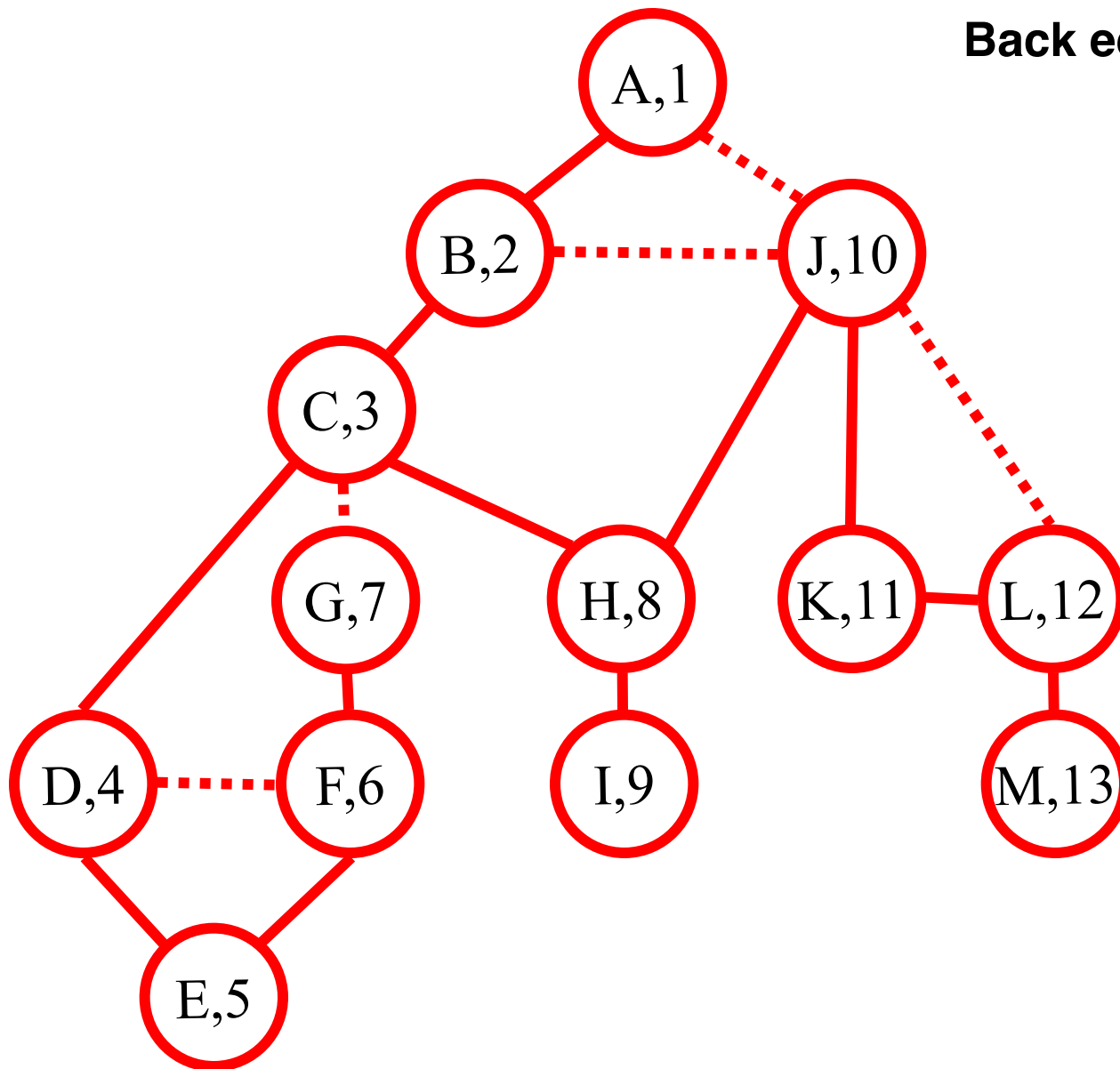
DFS(A)

Edge code:

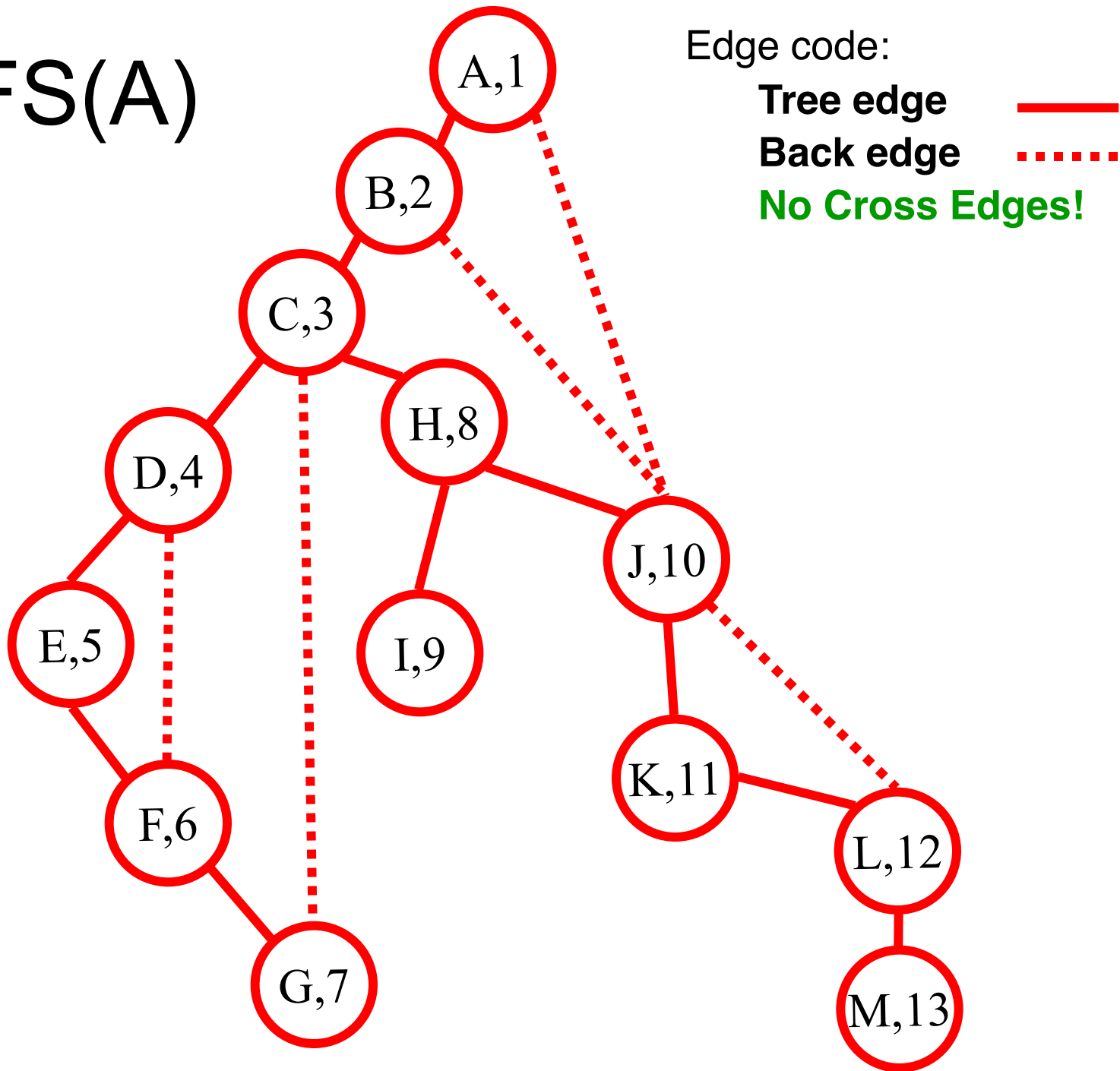
Tree edge



Back edge



DFS(A)



Properties of (undirected) DFS

Like BFS(s):

- DFS(s) visits x iff there is a path in G from s to x
So, we can use DFS to find connected components
- Edges into then-undiscovered vertices define a *tree* – the "depth first spanning tree" of G

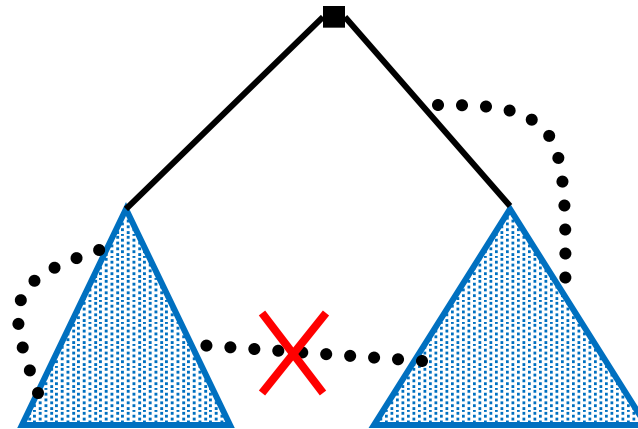
Unlike the BFS tree:

- The DF spanning tree isn't minimum depth
- Its levels don't reflect min distance from the root
- Non-tree edges never join vertices on the same or adjacent levels

Non-Tree Edges in DFS

All non-tree edges join a vertex and one of its descendants/ancestors in the DFS tree

BFS tree \neq DFS tree, but, as with BFS, DFS has found a tree in the graph s.t. non-tree edges are "simple" – only descendant/ancestor



Non-Tree Edges in DFS

Obs: During DFS(x) every vertex marked visited is a descendant of x in the DFS tree

Lemma: For every edge $\{x, y\}$, if $\{x, y\}$ is not in DFS tree, then one of x or y is an ancestor of the other in the tree.

Proof:

One of x or y is visited first, suppose WLOG that x is visited first and therefore DFS(x) was called before DFS(y)

Since $\{x, y\}$ is not in DFS tree, y was visited when the edge $\{x, y\}$ was examined during DFS(x)

Therefore y was visited during the call to DFS(x) so y is a descendant of x.

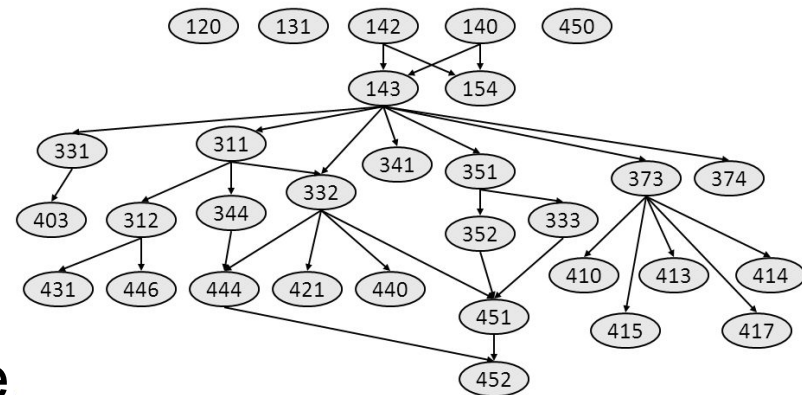
DAGs and Topological Ordering

Precedence Constraints

In a directed graph, an edge (i, j) means task i must occur before task j .

Applications

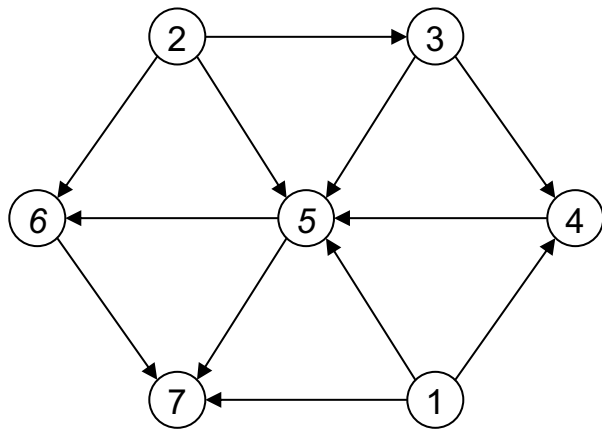
- Course prerequisite:
course i must be taken before j
- Compilation:
must compile module i before j
- Computing overflow:
output of job i is part of input to job j
- Manufacturing or assembly:
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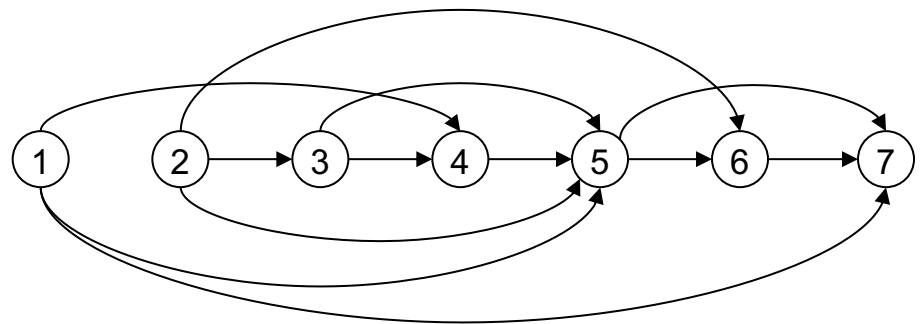
Directed Acyclic Graphs (DAG)

A **DAG** is a directed acyclic graph, i.e., one that contains no directed cycles.

Def: A **topological order** of a directed graph $G = (V, E)$ is an ordering of its nodes as v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n so that for every edge (v_i, v_j) we have $i < j$.



a DAG



a topological ordering of that DAG—
all edges left-to-right

DAGs: A Sufficient Condition

Lemma: If G has a topological order, then G is a DAG.

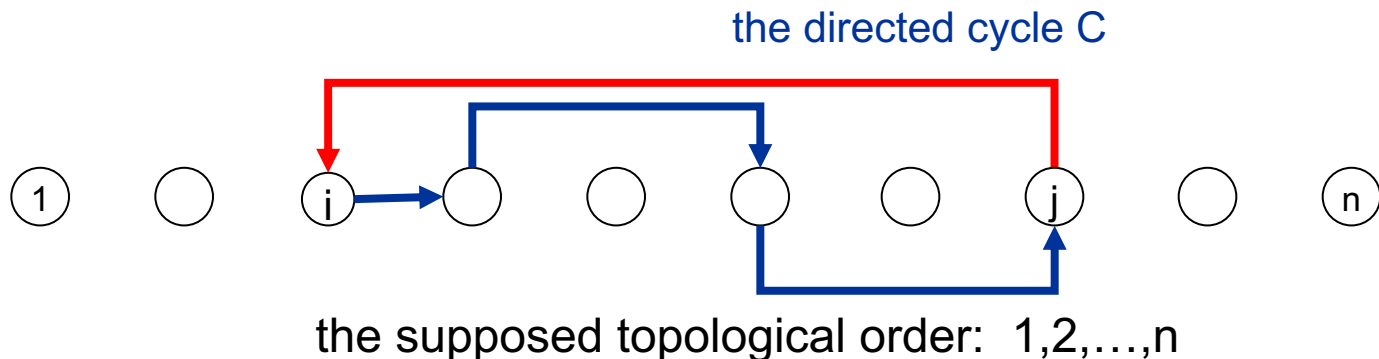
Pf. (by contradiction)

Suppose that G has a topological order $1, 2, \dots, n$ and that G also has a directed cycle C .

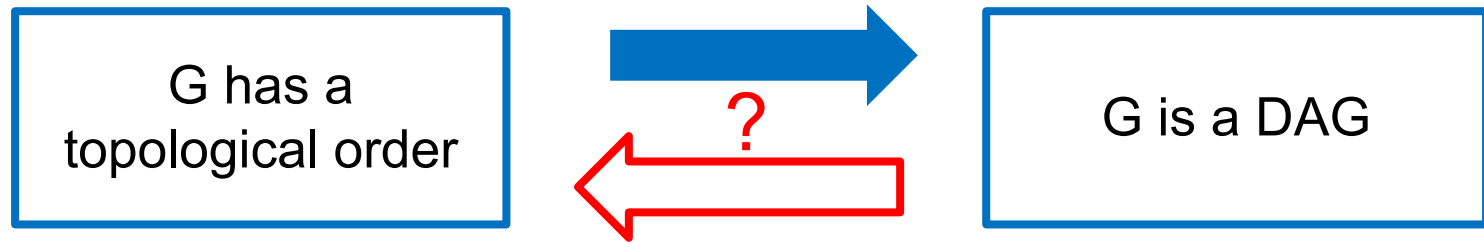
Let i be the lowest-indexed node in C , and let j be the node just before i ; thus (j, i) is an (directed) edge.

By our choice of i , we have $i < j$.

On the other hand, since (j, i) is an edge and $1, \dots, n$ is a topological order, we must have $j < i$, a contradiction



DAGs: A Sufficient Condition



Every DAG has a source node

Lemma: If G is a DAG, then G has a node with no incoming edges (i.e., a source).

Pf. (by contradiction)

Suppose that G is a DAG and it has no source

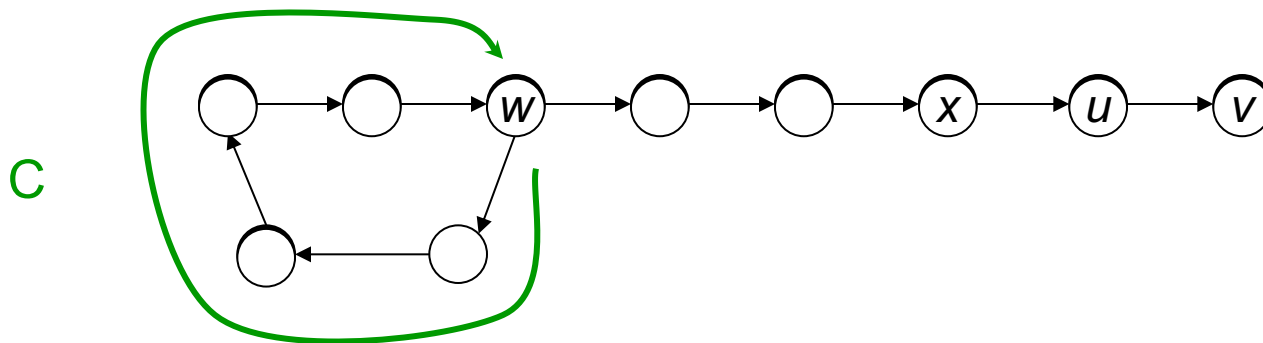
Pick any node v , and begin following edges **backward** from v . Since v has at least one incoming edge (u, v) we can walk backward to u .

Then, since u has at least one incoming edge (x, u) , we can walk backward to x .

Repeat until we visit a node, say w , twice.

Is this similar to a previous proof?

Let C be the sequence of nodes encountered between successive visits to w . C is a cycle.



DAG => Topological Order

Lemma: If G is a DAG, then G has a topological order

Pf. (by induction on n)

Base case: true if $n = 1$.

IH: Every DAG with $n-1$ vertices has a topological ordering.

IS: Given DAG with $n > 1$ nodes, find a source node v .

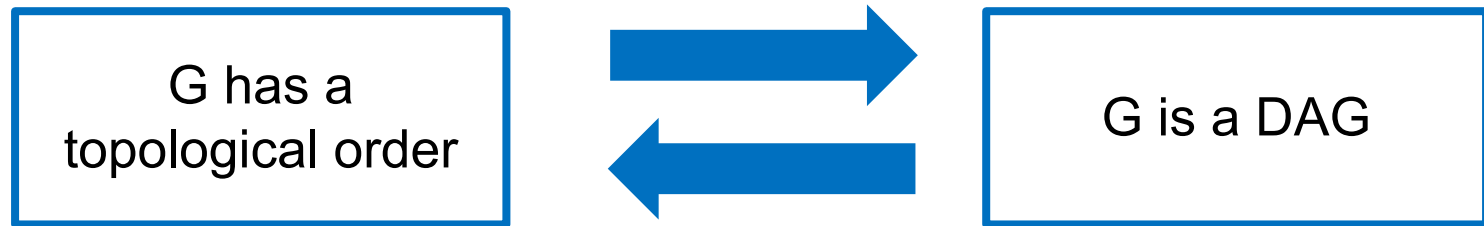
$G - \{v\}$ is a DAG, since deleting v cannot create cycles.

Reminder: Always remove vertices/edges to use IH

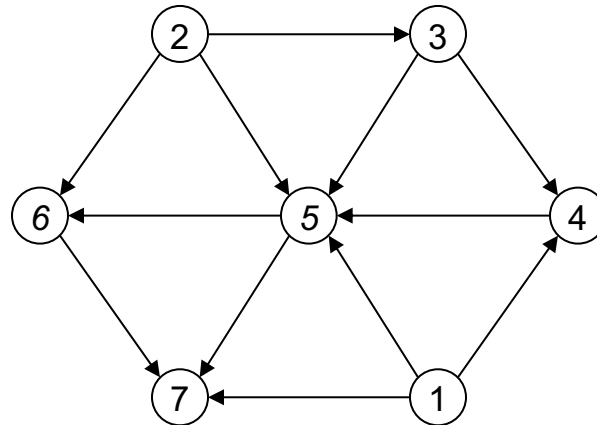
By IH, $G - \{v\}$ has a topological ordering.

Place v first in topological ordering; then append nodes of $G - \{v\}$ in topological order. This is valid since v has no incoming edges.

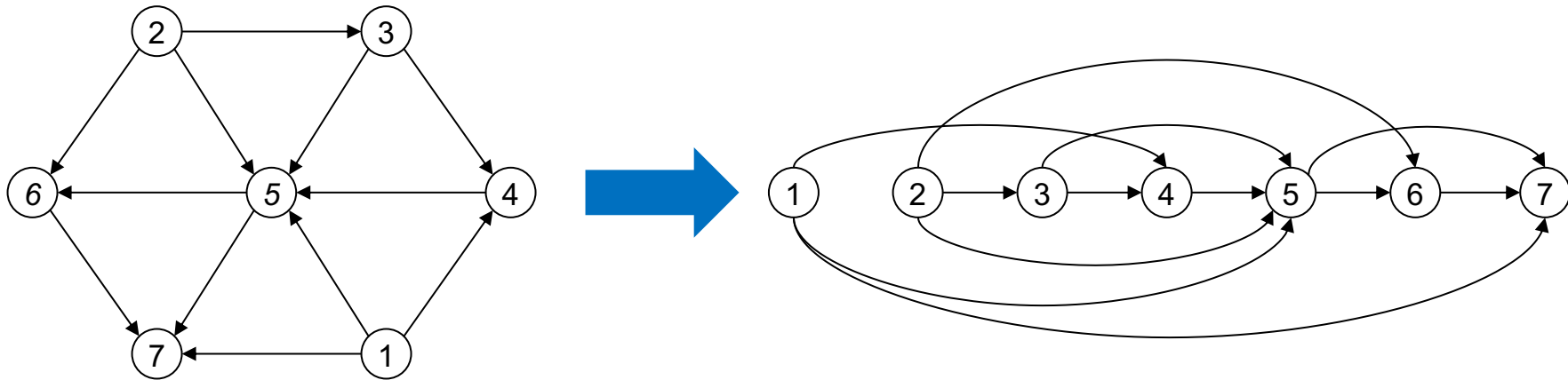
A Characterization of DAGs



Topological Order Algorithm: Example



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Topological order: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

Topological Sorting Algorithm

Maintain the following:

$\text{count}[w]$ = (remaining) number of incoming edges to node w

S = set of (remaining) nodes with no incoming edges

Initialization:

$\text{count}[w] = 0$ for all w

$\text{count}[w]++$ for all edges (v,w) $O(m + n)$

$S = S \cup \{w\}$ for all w with $\text{count}[w]=0$

Main loop:

while S not empty

- remove some v from S
- make v next in topo order $O(1)$ per node
- for all edges from v to some w $O(1)$ per edge
 - decrement $\text{count}[w]$
 - add w to S if $\text{count}[w]$ hits 0

Correctness: clear, I hope

Time: $O(m + n)$ (assuming edge-list representation of graph)

Summary

- Graphs: abstract relationships among pairs of objects
- Terminology: node/vertex/vertices, edges, paths, multi-edges, self-loops, connected
- Representation: Adjacency list, adjacency matrix
- Nodes vs Edges: $m = O(n^2)$, often less
- BFS: Layers, queue, shortest paths, all edges go to same or adjacent layer
- DFS: recursion/stack; all edges ancestor/descendant
- Algorithms: Connected Comp, bipartiteness, topological sort