

Chapter 8

Graph Data Structure

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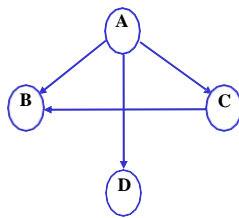
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Graph Terminology

- A graph $G = (V, E)$
 - V = set of vertices (nodes or points)
 - E = set of edges (arcs or lines) = subset of $V \times V$
 - Thus $|E| \leq |V|^2 = O(|V|^2)$
- In an *undirected graph*:
 - $edge(u, v) = edge(v, u)$
- In a *directed graph*:
 - $edge(u, v)$ goes from vertex u to vertex v , notated $u \rightarrow v$
 - $edge(u, v)$ is not the same as $edge(v, u)$

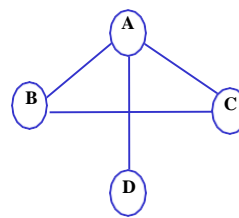
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Graph Terminology



Directed graph:

$V = \{A, B, C, D\}$
 $E = \{(A, B), (A, C), (A, D), (C, B)\}$



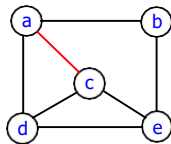
Undirected graph:

$V = \{A, B, C, D\}$
 $E = \{(A, B), (A, C), (A, D), (C, B), (B, A), (C, A), (D, A), (B, C)\}$

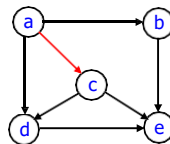
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Graph Terminology

- **Adjacent vertices**: connected by an edge
 - Vertex v is adjacent to u if and only if $(u, v) \in E$.
 - In an undirected graph with edge (u, v) , and hence (v, u) , v is adjacent to u and u is adjacent to v .



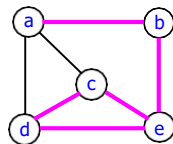
Vertex a is adjacent to c and
vertex c is adjacent to a



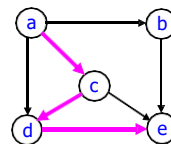
Vertex c is adjacent to a , but
vertex a is NOT adjacent to c

Graph Terminology

- A **Path** in a graph from u to v is a sequence of edges between vertices w_0, w_1, \dots, w_k , such that $(w_i, w_{i+1}) \in E$, $u = w_0$ and $v = w_k$, for $0 \leq i < k$
 - The length of the path is k , the number of edges on the path



abedce is a path.
cdeb is a path.
bca is NOT a path.

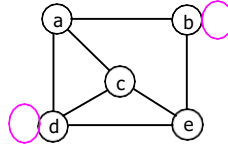


acde is a path.
abec is NOT a path.

Graph Terminology

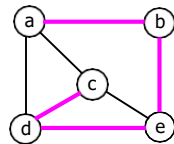
○ *Loops*

- If the graph contains an edge (v, v) from a vertex to itself, then the path v, v is sometimes referred to as a *loop*.



- The graphs we will consider will generally be loopless.

- A *simple path* is a path such that *all vertices are distinct*, except that the first and last could be the same.

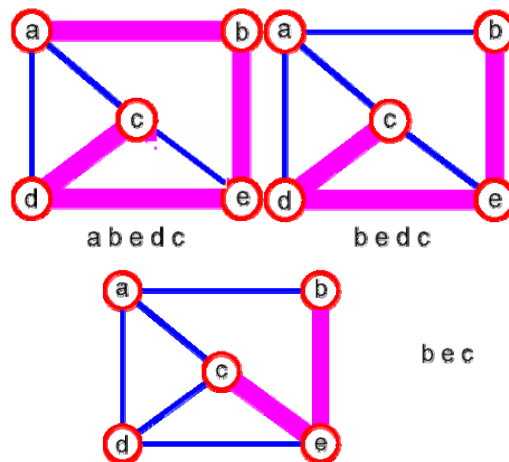


abedc is a simple path.
cdec is a simple path.
abedce is NOT a simple path.

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Graph Terminology

- *simple path*: no repeated vertices

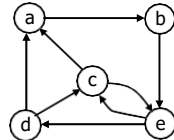


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Graph Terminology

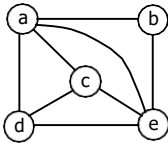
Cycles

- A **cycle** in a **directed graph** is a **path** of length at least 2 such that the **first** vertex on the path is the same as the **last** one; if the path is **simple**, then the cycle is a **simple cycle**.



abeda is a simple cycle.
abedceda is a cycle, but is NOT a simple cycle.
abedc is NOT a cycle.

- A **cycle** in an undirected graph
 - A path of length at least 3 such that the **first** vertex on the path is the same as the **last** one.
 - The edges on the path are **distinct**.

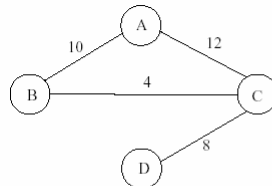


aba is NOT a cycle.
abedceda is NOT a cycle.
abedcea is a cycle, but NOT simple.
abea is a simple cycle.

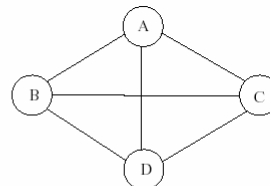
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Graph Terminology

- If each edge in the graph carries a value, then the graph is called **weighted graph**.
 - A weighted graph is a graph $G = (V, E, W)$, where each edge, $e \in E$ is assigned a real valued weight, $W(e)$.
- A **complete graph** is a graph with an edge between every pair of vertices.
 - A graph is called **complete graph** if every vertex is adjacent to every other vertex.



weighted graph

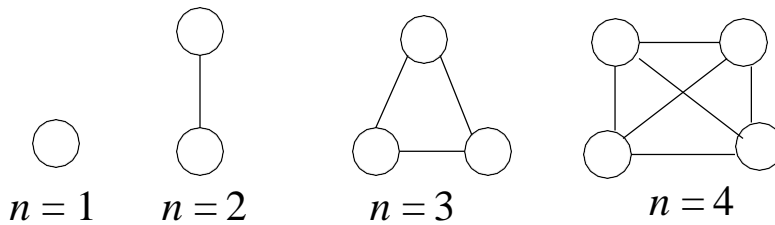


complete graph

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Graph Terminology

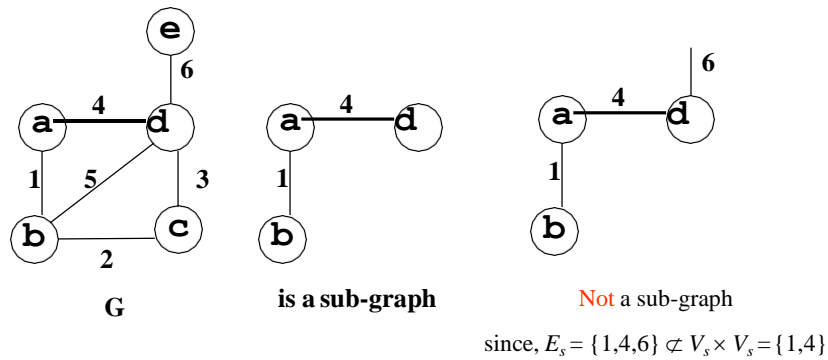
- Complete Undirected Graph
 - has all possible edges



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Graph Terminology

- **subgraph**: subset of vertices and edges forming a graph
 - A graph $G_s = (V_s, E_s)$ is a **subgraph** of a graph $G = (V, E)$ if $V_s \subseteq V$, $E_s \subseteq E$, and $E_s \subseteq V_s \times V_s$.



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