

# Graph Properties

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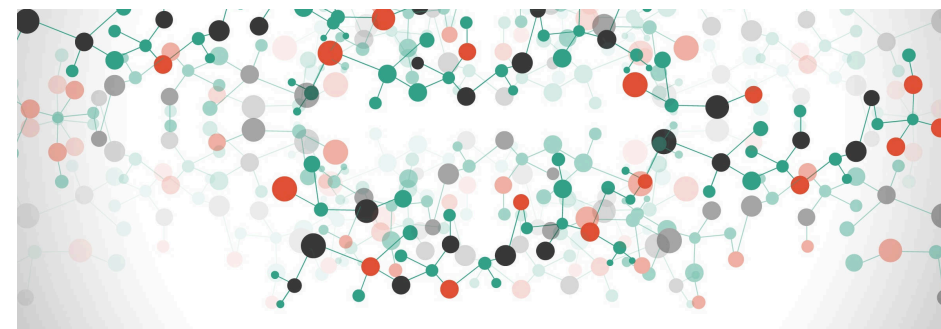
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# OUTLINE

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- Diameter
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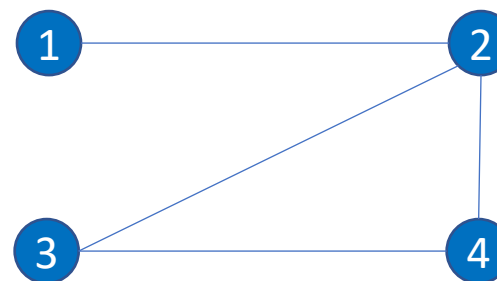
# Distance

- Let  $u$  and  $v$  be two vertices in a graph  $G$ , then the distance between  $u$  and  $v$ , denoted as  $d(u, v)$  is the length of shortest path between  $u$  and  $v$  in  $G$ .
- If  $G$  is disconnected and  $u$  and  $v$  are in different components then  $d(u, v) = \infty$

$$d(1,1) = 0$$

$$d(1,2) = 1$$

$$d(1,3) = 2$$



# Eccentricity

- The eccentricity of a vertex  $v$  in  $V(G)$ , denoted as  $e(v)$ , is the maximum of the distances between  $v$  and any other vertex  $u$  in  $V(G)$ .

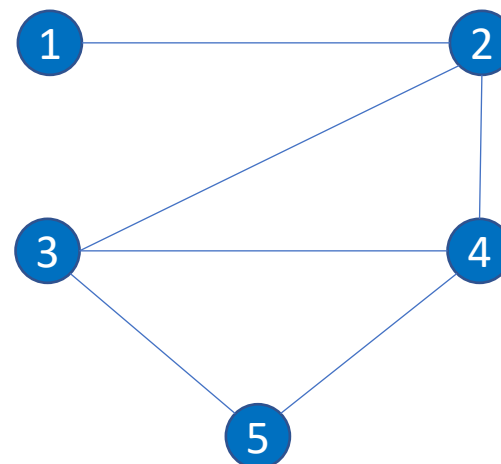
$$d(1,1) = 0$$

$$d(1,2) = 1$$

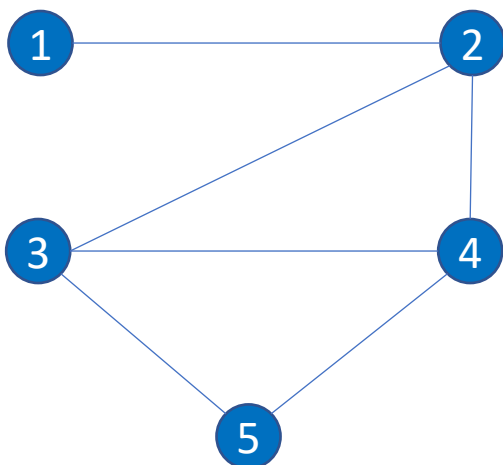
$$d(1,3) = 2$$

$$d(1,4) = 2$$

$$d(1,5) = 3$$



## Eccentricity (Contd.)



$$d(1,1) = 0$$

$$d(1,2) = 1$$

$$d(1,3) = 2$$

$$d(1,4) = 2$$

$$d(1,5) = 3$$

$$e(1) = 3$$

$$e(2) = 2$$

$$e(3) = 2$$

$$e(4) = 2$$

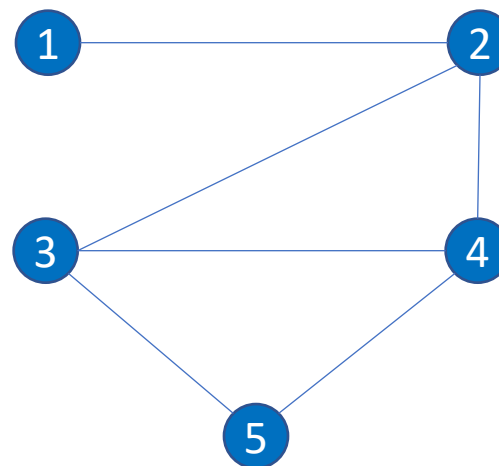
$$e(5) = 3$$

Note: Distance is defined on two vertices while eccentricity is defined on a vertex

# Diameter

- The **diameter** of a graph (or strongly connected digraph)  $G$ , denoted as  $\text{diam}(G)$ , is the **maximum eccentricity** of the vertices in  $V(G)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}e(1) &= 3 \\e(2) &= 2 \\e(3) &= 2 \\e(4) &= 2 \\e(5) &= 3\end{aligned}$$



The diameter of this graph is 3

# Radius

- The **radius** of a graph (or strongly connected digraph)  $G$ , denoted as  $\text{rad}(G)$ , is the **minimum eccentricity** of the vertices in  $V(G)$ .

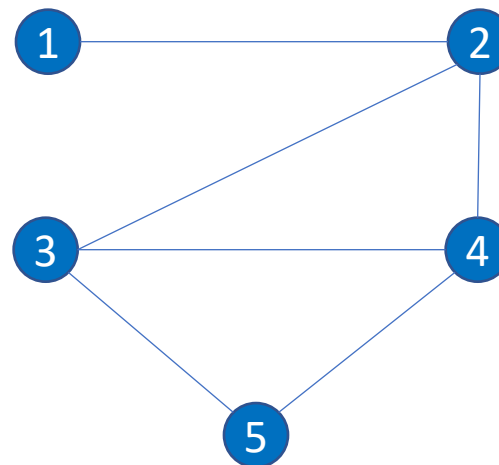
$$e(1) = 3$$

$$e(2) = 2$$

$$e(3) = 2$$

$$e(4) = 2$$

$$e(5) = 3$$

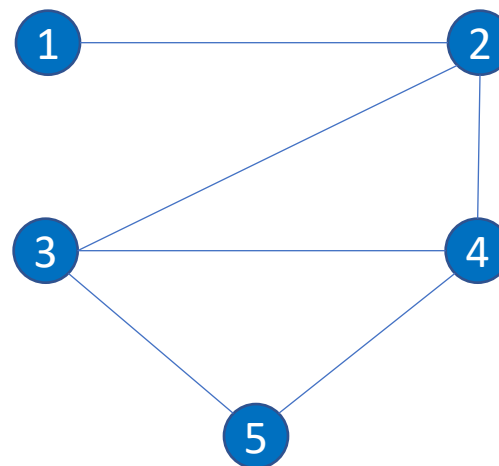


The radius of this graph is 2

# Periphery and Centre in Graph

- A vertex  $v$  of a graph  $G$  with eccentricity equals to the diameter of  $G$  is said to be a **peripheral vertex**
- The set of all peripheral vertices in the graph is called the **periphery** of the graph

$$\begin{aligned}e(1) &= 3 \\e(2) &= 2 \\e(3) &= 2 \\e(4) &= 2 \\e(5) &= 3\end{aligned}$$



Node 1 and Node 5 form the periphery of the graph



# Periphery and Centre in Graph

- A vertex  $v$  of a graph  $G$  with eccentricity equals to the radius of  $G$  is said to be a **central vertex**
- The set of all central vertices in the graph is called the **centre** of the graph

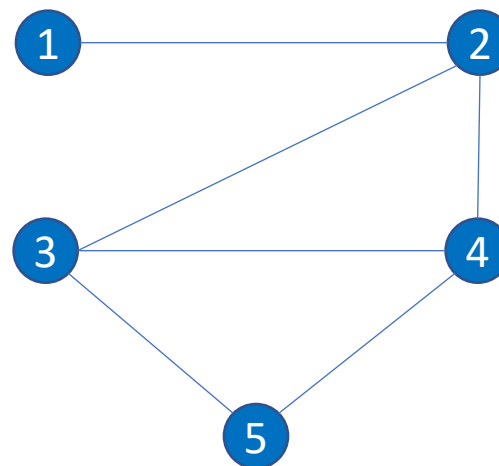
$$e(1) = 3$$

$$e(2) = 2$$

$$e(3) = 2$$

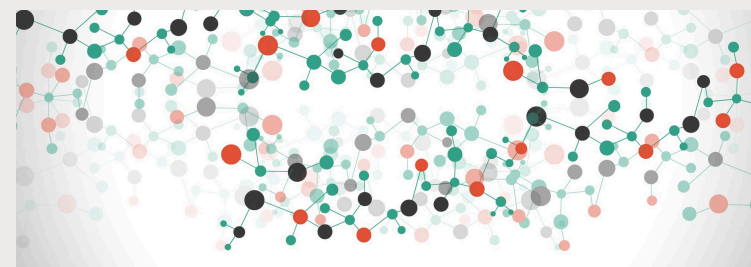
$$e(4) = 2$$

$$e(5) = 3$$



Nodes 2, 3 and 4 form the centre of the graph

# SUMMARY



- The **eccentricity** of a vertex  $v$  in  $V(G)$ , denoted as  $e(v)$ , is the maximum of the distances between  $v$  and any other vertex  $u$  in  $V(G)$ .
- The **diameter** of a graph (or strongly connected digraph)  $G$ , denoted as  $\text{diam}(G)$ , is the **maximum eccentricity** of the vertices in  $V(G)$ .
- The **radius** of a graph (or strongly connected digraph)  $G$ , denoted as  $\text{rad}(G)$ , is the **minimum eccentricity** of the vertices in  $V(G)$ .
- A vertex  $v$  of a graph  $G$  with eccentricity equals to the diameter of  $G$  is said to be a **peripheral vertex**
- A vertex  $v$  of a graph  $G$  with eccentricity equals to the radius of  $G$  is said to be a **central vertex**