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## Exercise 1

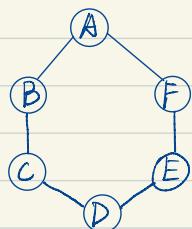
2. (a)



In this case, node B, C, D, and E are "gatekeepers".  
 $\frac{4 \text{ nodes}}{6 \text{ nodes}} > \frac{1}{2}$

Without loss of generality, I pick node B to explain. Node B has neighbors A and C that are not connected by an edge. To reach A to C or C to A, B must be traversed.

(b)



In this case, all nodes are local gatekeepers but not gatekeepers.

Without loss of generality, for example, node A has neighbors B and F that are not connected by an edge, however, every pair of nodes, including B and F, can be connected by a path that does not go through A.

3. (a)



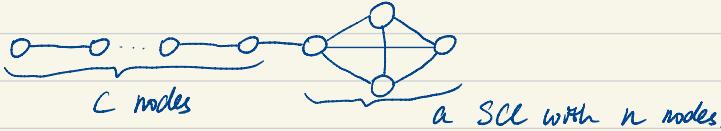
4 nodes      a SCC with n nodes

As shown above, the diameter of the graph is 5.

As  $n$  tends to infinity, the average distance of the graph tends to 1.

Obviously, the diameter is more than three times as large as the average distance.

(b)



C nodes      a SCC with n nodes.

As the graph shown above, a SCC with  $n$  nodes and one extended path with  $C$  nodes. The diameter of the graph is  $C+1$ , as long as  $n \gg C$ , the diameter will be  $C$  times larger than average distance but never hit  $C+1$  times.