# MATHS 2P: Graphs & Networks

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#### 1 Fundamentals

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1.1 Graphs

\* often also referred as nodes

A graph G is a pair (V, E), where V is any finite set, and E is a set whose elements are pairs of elements of V. We call the elements of V the  $vertices^*$  of G and those of E its edges. e.g.  $G = \{\{a, b, c\}, \{ab, ac\}\}$ 

**1.1 definition. Adjacent Vertices** are vertices connected directly through an edge. Formally, if  $e = \{u, v\} \in E$ , then u, v are adjacent

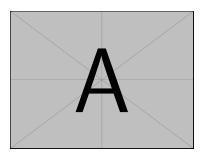
**1.2 definition. Incident Edges** are edges which share a vertex. We say that they are "incident to v"

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Representing Graphs

Note that the representation need not be unique

Pictorially



Note that this definition only holds for simple graphs, i.e without loops. But , it is easily generalised if the binary requirement is dropped Adjacency Matrix

**1.3 definition.** Adjacency Matrix is the  $n \times n$  binary matrix , where n = |V| and  $a_{ij} = 1 \iff e = \{u, v\} \in E$ ; i.e iff u, v are adjacent

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**1.4 remark.** In this course, we'll only deal with *simple*, *undirected* graphs. Note that AMs of this type have the nice property of being symmetric (see 2B notes for properties)

#### Subgraphs

**1.5 definition. Subgraphs** are graphs obtained by deleting edges and/or edges of another graph

**1.6 definition.** Induced Subgraph is a graph formed by deleting only nodes and its incident edges. Formally: Let  $W \subset V$ , then the induced subgraph of G is given by  $G[W] = \{W, \{\{xy\} | xy \in G\}\}$ . We say that "G is induced by W"

1.7 example.

$$G(V) = \{\{a,b,c\}, \{ab,ac\}\} \text{ and } U = \{c\} \text{ then } G[U] = \{\{a,b,\not c\}, \{ab,\not ac\}\}$$

**1.8 definition. Spanning Subgraph** similar to the induced, but edges are deleted instead

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1.2 Graph Properties