



Intro to Graphs

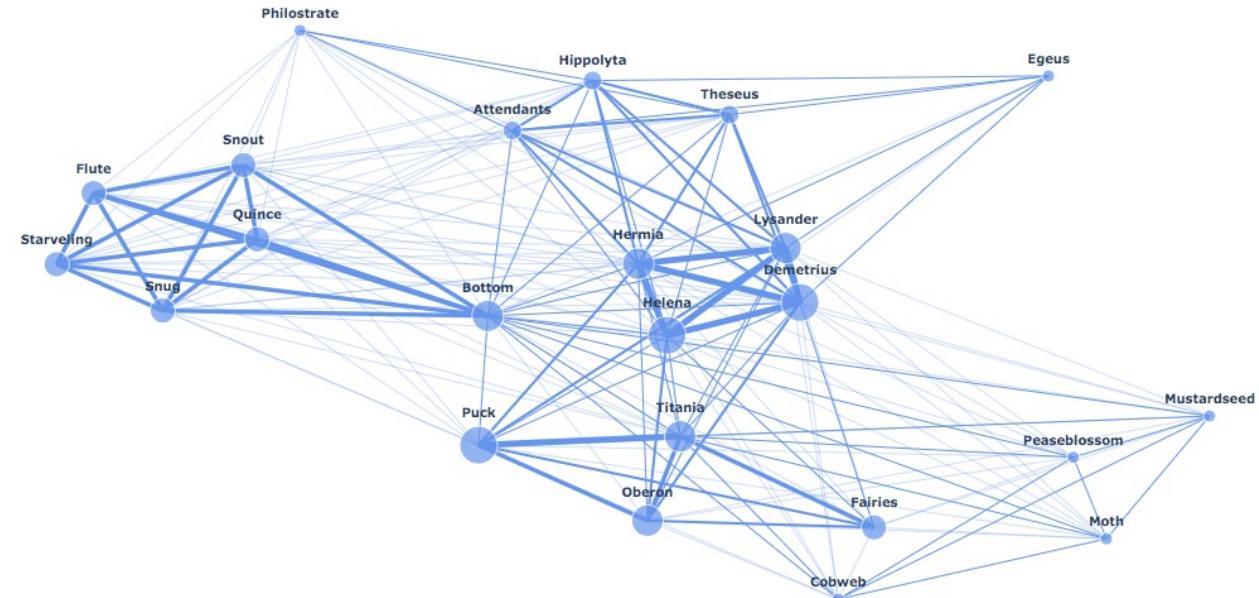
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Introduction to Graphs

DEFINITION: GRAPH

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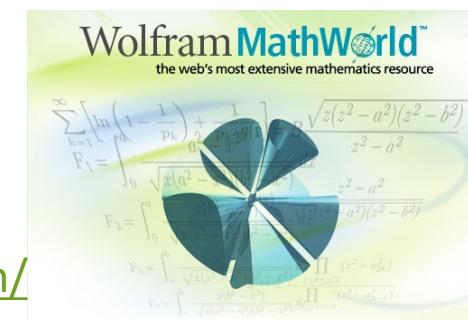
Un grafo è un oggetto matematico costituito da punti e linee: i punti sono tipicamente degli oggetti (nodi), mentre le linee possono rappresentare delle relazioni tra questi punti.

Punti → Vertici, nodi

Linee → Archi, spigoli

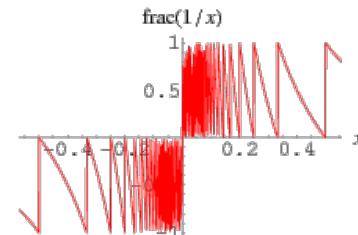
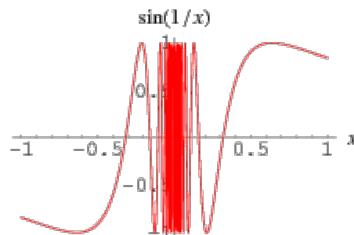
- A **graph** is a collection of **points** and **lines** connecting some (eventually empty) subset of them.
- The points of a graph are typically known as **graph vertices**, but may also be called “nodes” or simply “points.”
- The lines connecting the vertices of a graph are called **graph edges**, but may also be called “arcs” or “lines.”

<http://mathworld.wolfram.com/>

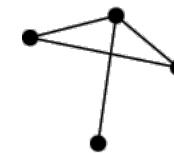


Big warning: Graph \neq Graph \neq Graph

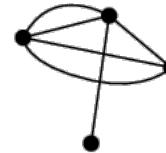
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- (italiano: grafico)



- Graph (maths)
- (italiano: grafo)



simple graph



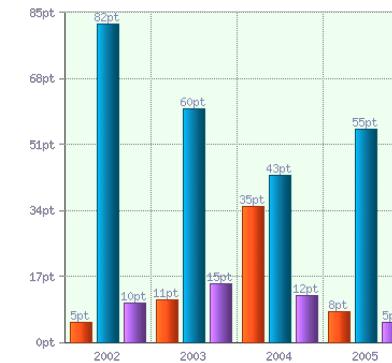
nonsimple graph
with multiple edges



nonsimple graph
with loops

\neq

Graph (chart)
(italiano: grafico)



History

- The study of graphs is known as **graph theory**, and was first systematically investigated by D. König in the 1930s
- Euler's proof about the *walk across all seven bridges of Königsberg* (1736), now known as the *Königsberg bridge* problem, is a famous precursor to graph theory.
- Indeed, the study of various sorts of paths in graphs has many applications in real-world problems.

Königsberg Bridge Problem

- Can the 7 bridges the of the city of Königsberg over the river Preger all be traversed in a single trip without doubling back, with the additional requirement that the trip ends in the same place it began?

• **Problema:** fare il percorso a Königsberg attraversando tutti i ponti un'unica volta ritornando al punto di partenza.

~ IMPOSSIBILE!

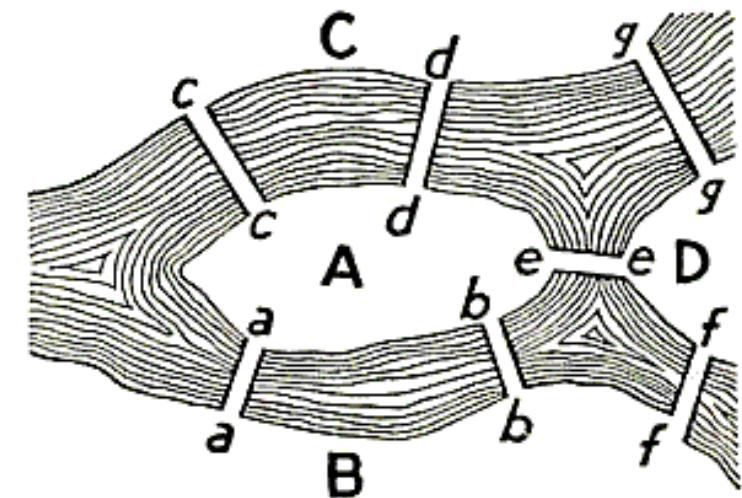
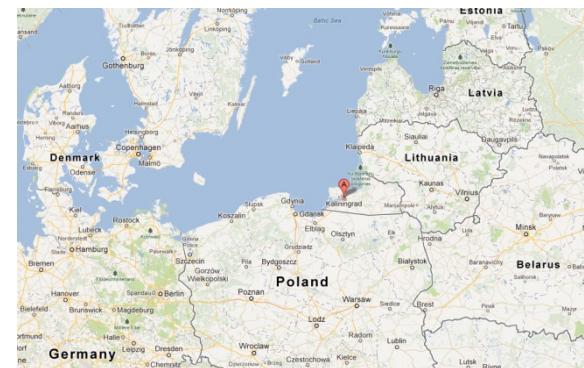


FIGURE 98. *Geographic Map: The Königsberg Bridges.*



Today: Kaliningrad, Russia

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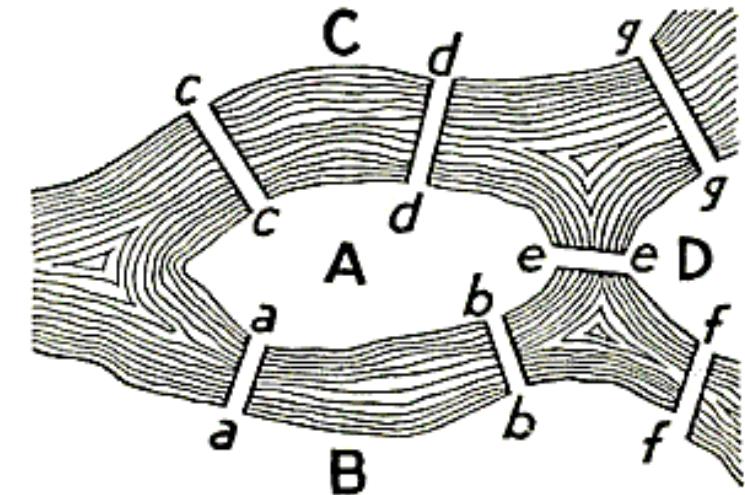
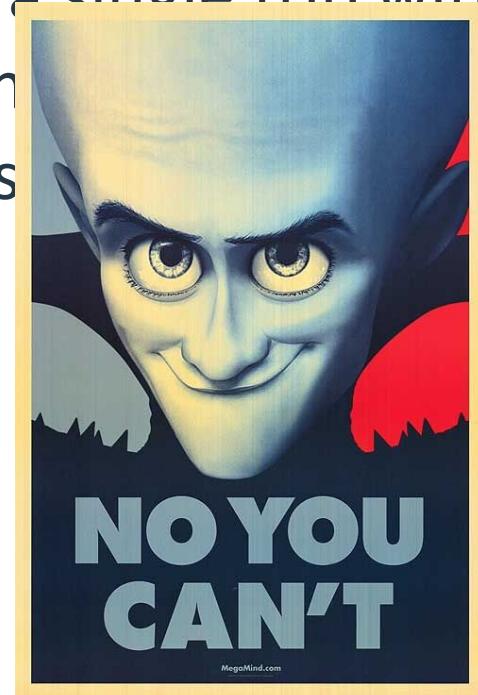
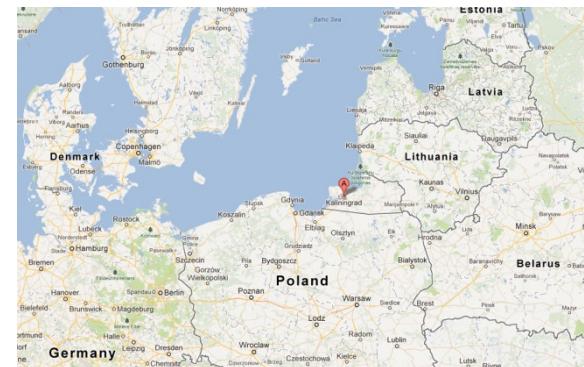


FIGURE 98. *Geographic Map: The Königsberg Bridges.*



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Types of graphs: edge cardinality

- Simple graph:
 - At most one edge (i.e., either one edge or no edges) may connect any two vertices
- Multigraph:
 - Multiple edges are allowed between vertices
- Loops:
 - Edge between a vertex and itself
- Pseudograph:
 - Multigraph with loops

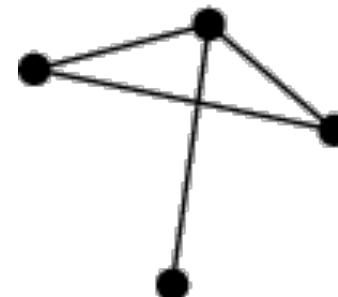
Abbiamo una serie di nodi e due nodi possono essere collegati al max da un arco!

Se i nodi possono essere collegati da più di un arco.

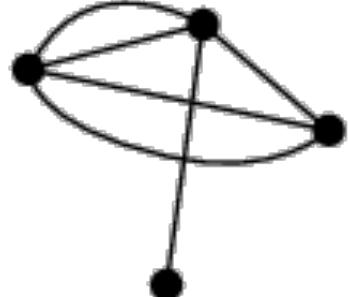
Grafi in cui ci sono degli archi che partono e arrivano allo stesso nodo.

Multigrafi con loop.

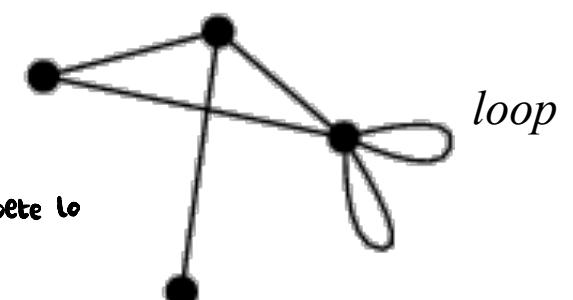
N.B.: I nodi sono UNICI! Non posso aggiungere due volte lo stesso nodo a un grafo.



simple graph



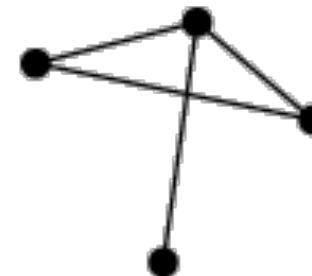
multigraph



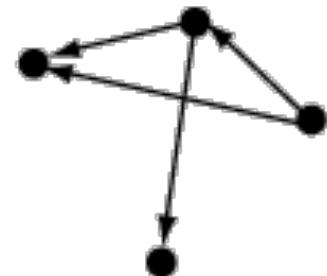
pseudograph

Types of graphs: edge direction

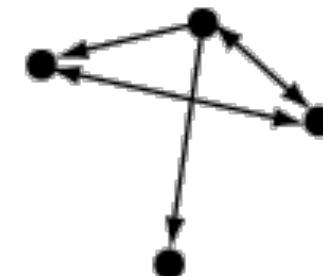
- Undirected ~ Archi **NON direzionali**
- Oriented ~ Archi **direzionali** con un solo verso!
 - Edges have **one** direction (indicated by arrow)
- Directed ~ Archi **direzionali** con uno o due versi.
 - Edges may have **one or two** directions
- Network ~ Grafi con un solo verso e **pesati**.
 - Oriented graph with weighted edges



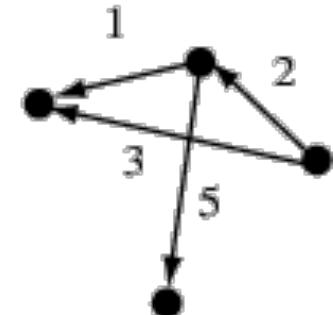
undirected graph



oriented graph



directed graph

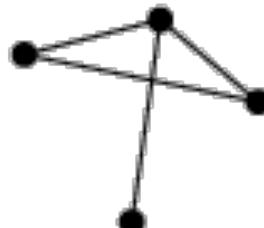


network

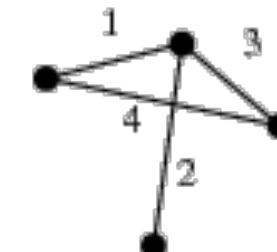
Types of graphs: labeling

- Labels
 - None
 - On Vertices
 - On Edges
- Groups (=colors)
 - Of Vertices
 - no edge connects two identically colored vertices
 - Of Edges
 - adjacent edges must receive different colors
 - Of both

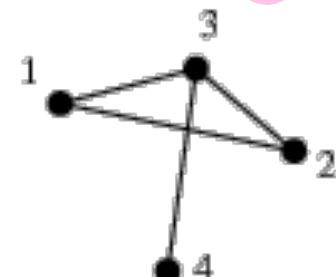
• Le **label** possono essere aggiunte sia sugli archi che sui nodi e servono a associare determinate informazioni.



unlabeled graph

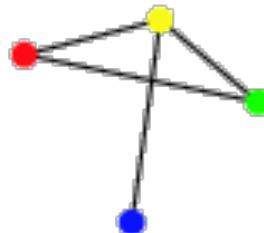


edge-labeled graph

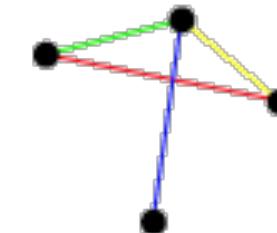


vertex-labeled graph

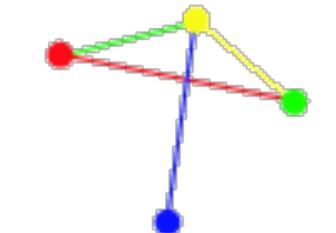
• Vertici e archi possono essere raggruppati mediante colori.



vertex-colored graph



edge-colored graph



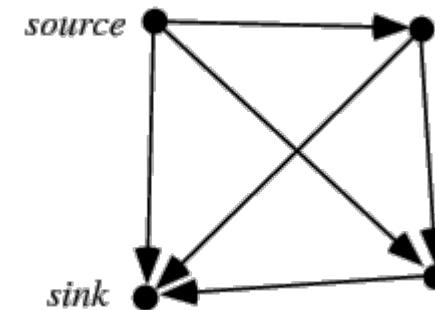
vertex- and edge-colored graph

Directed and Oriented graphs

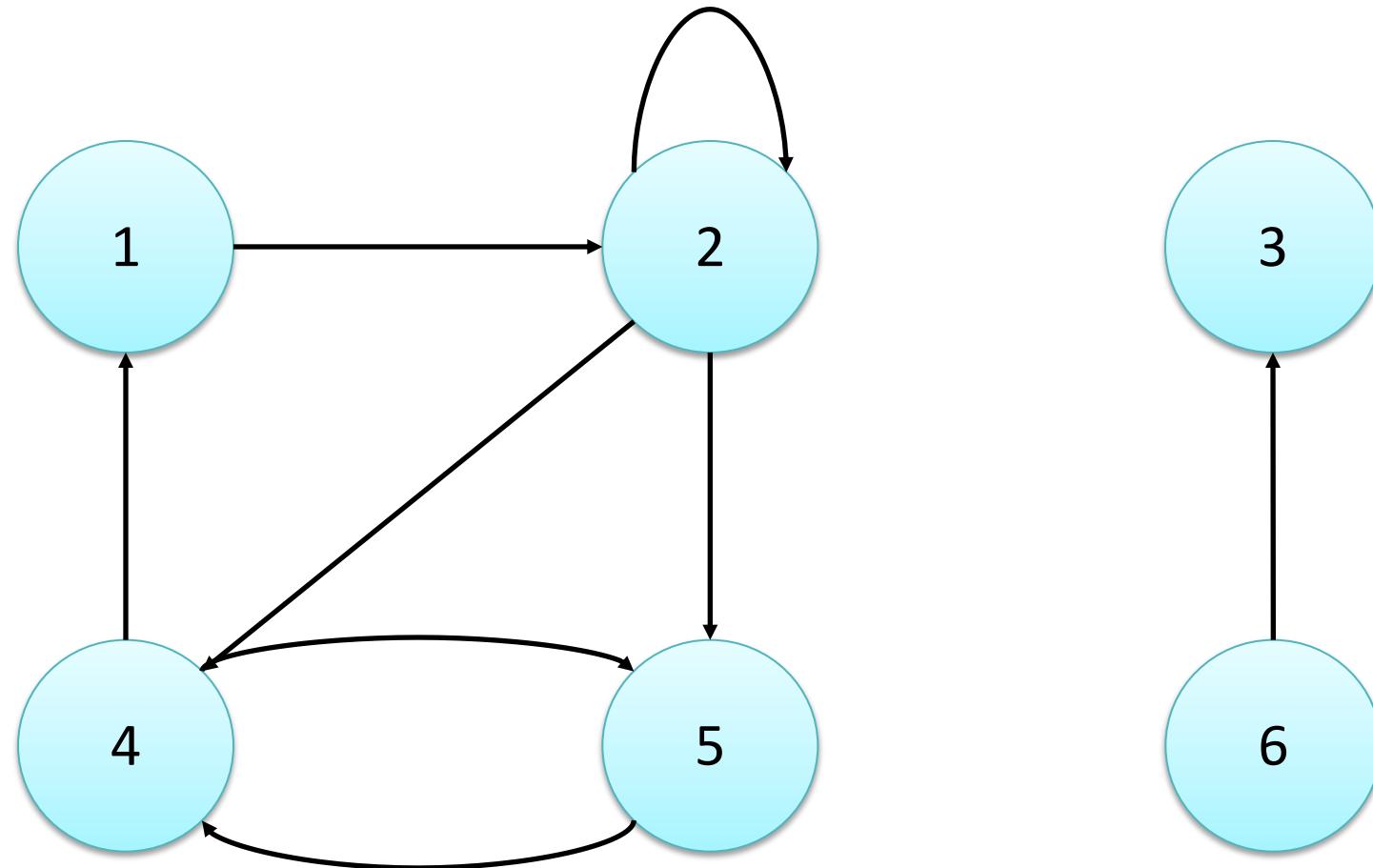
- A Directed Graph (*di-graph*) G is a pair (V,E) , where
 - V is a (finite) set of *vertices*
 - E is a (finite) set of *edges*, that identify a binary relationship over V
 - $E \subseteq V \times V$

Grafo orientato!

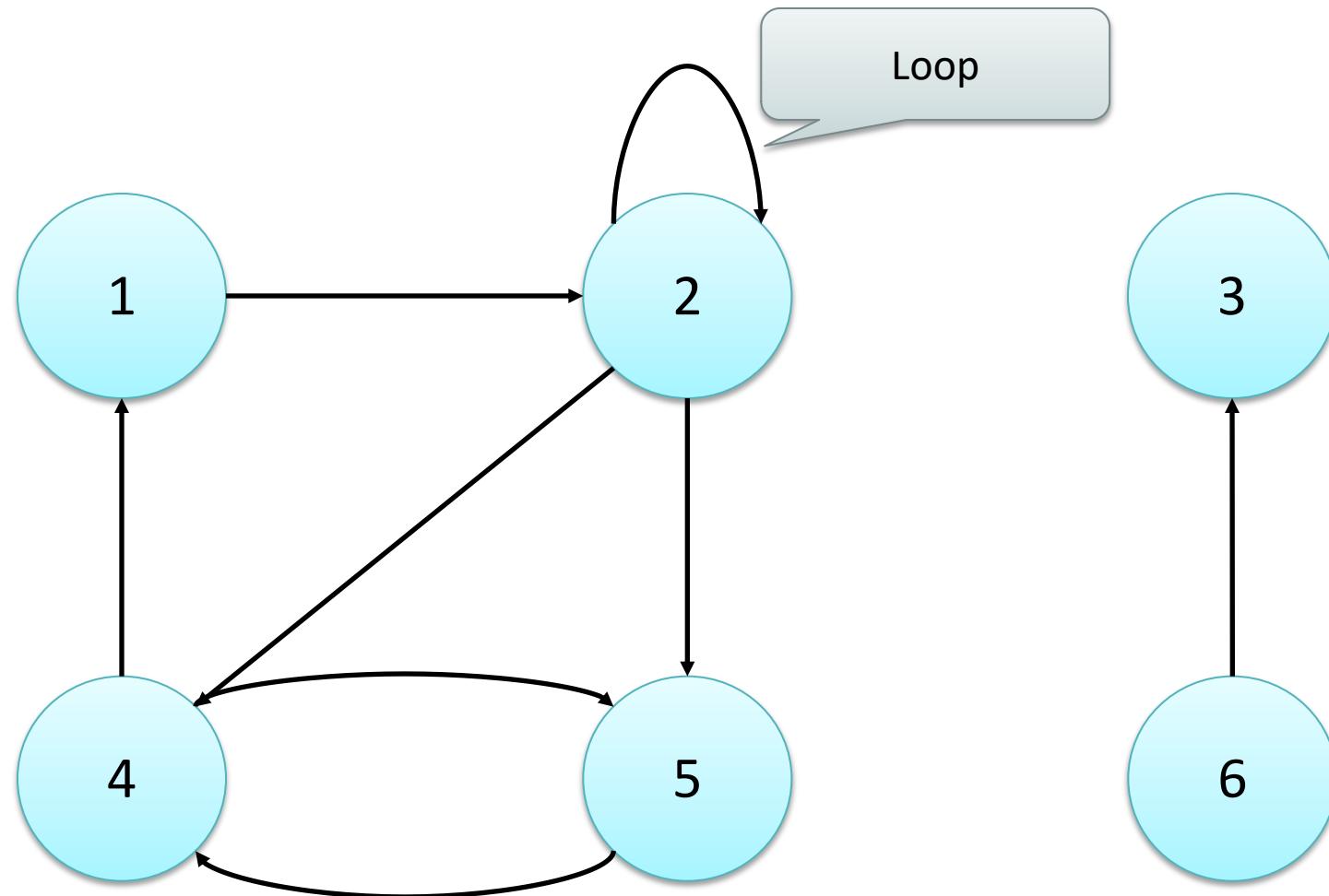
Si parte da un nodo e si finisce sempre a un altro nodo.



Example



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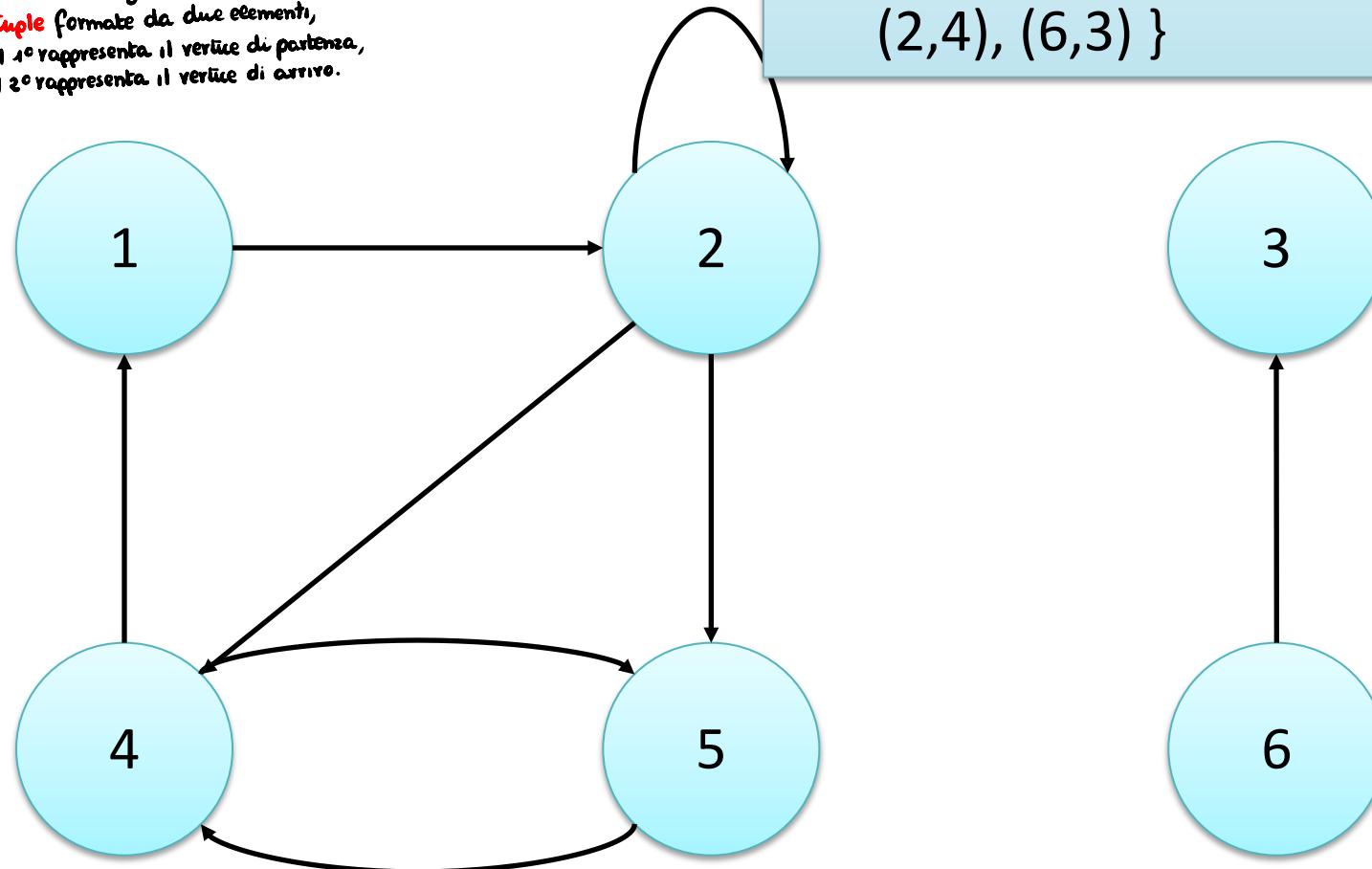
Example

- I vertici sono indicati in modo molto semplice;
- Gli archi vengono indicati come **tuple** formate da due elementi,
il 1° rappresenta il vertice di partenza,
il 2° rappresenta il vertice di arrivo.

Grafo rappresentato in
maniera **compatta**!

$$V = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

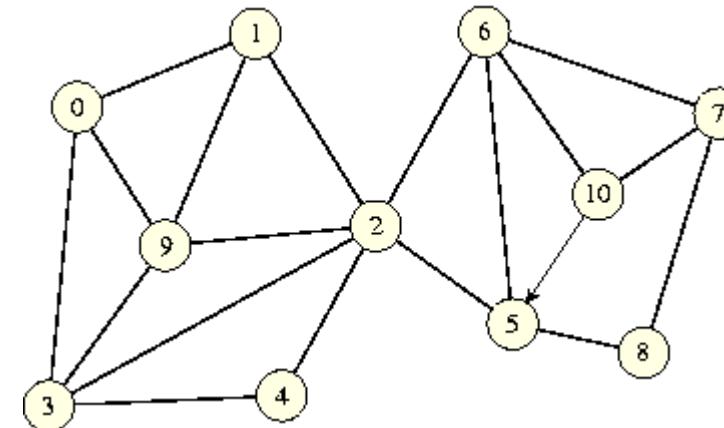
$$E = \{ (1, 2), (2, 2), (2, 5), (5, 4), (4, 5), (4, 1), (2, 4), (6, 3) \}$$



Undirected graph

Grafo **NON** orientato

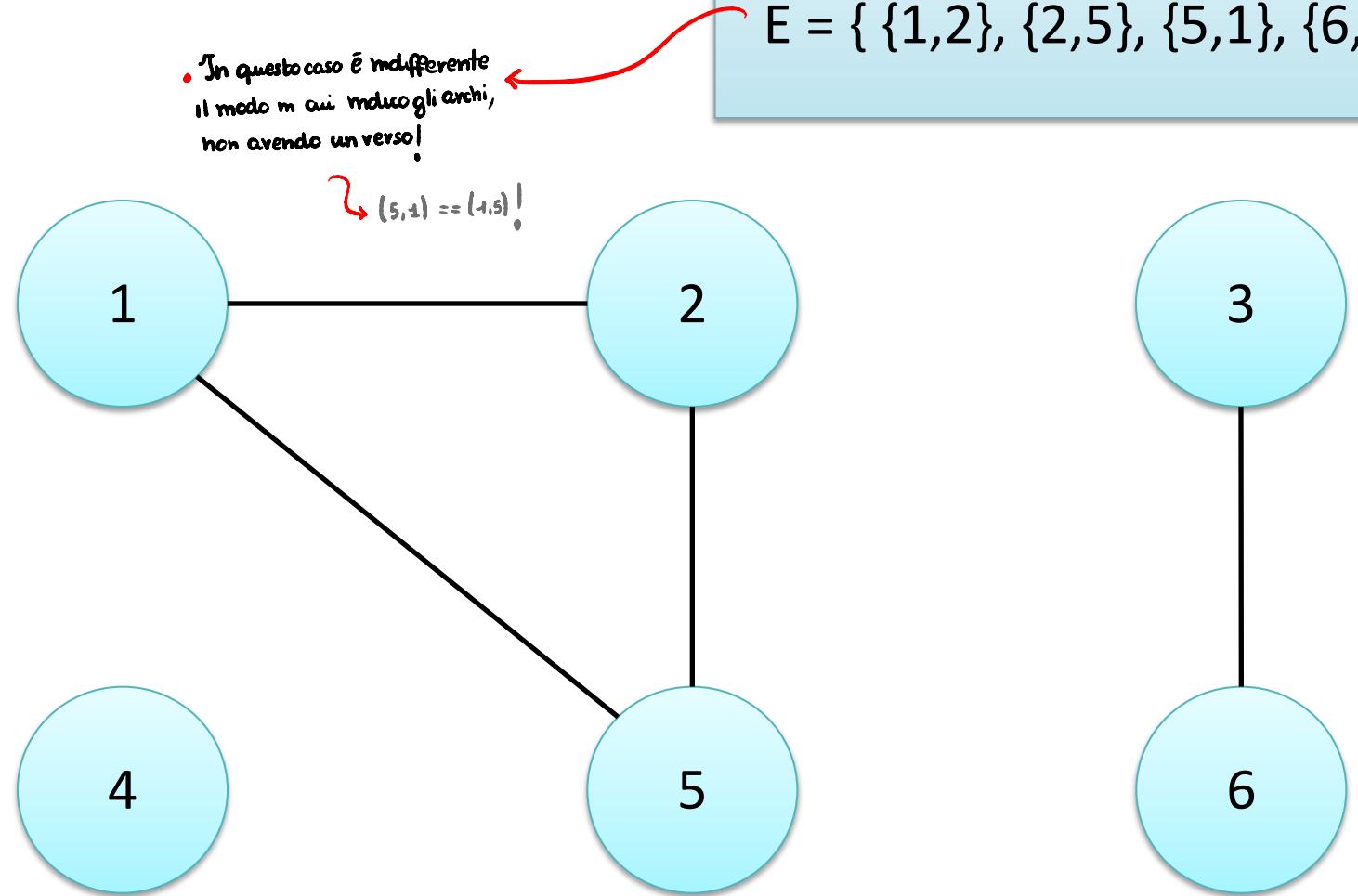
- An **Undirected Graph** is still represented as a tuple $G=(V,E)$, but the set E is made of **non-ordered pairs** of vertices



Example

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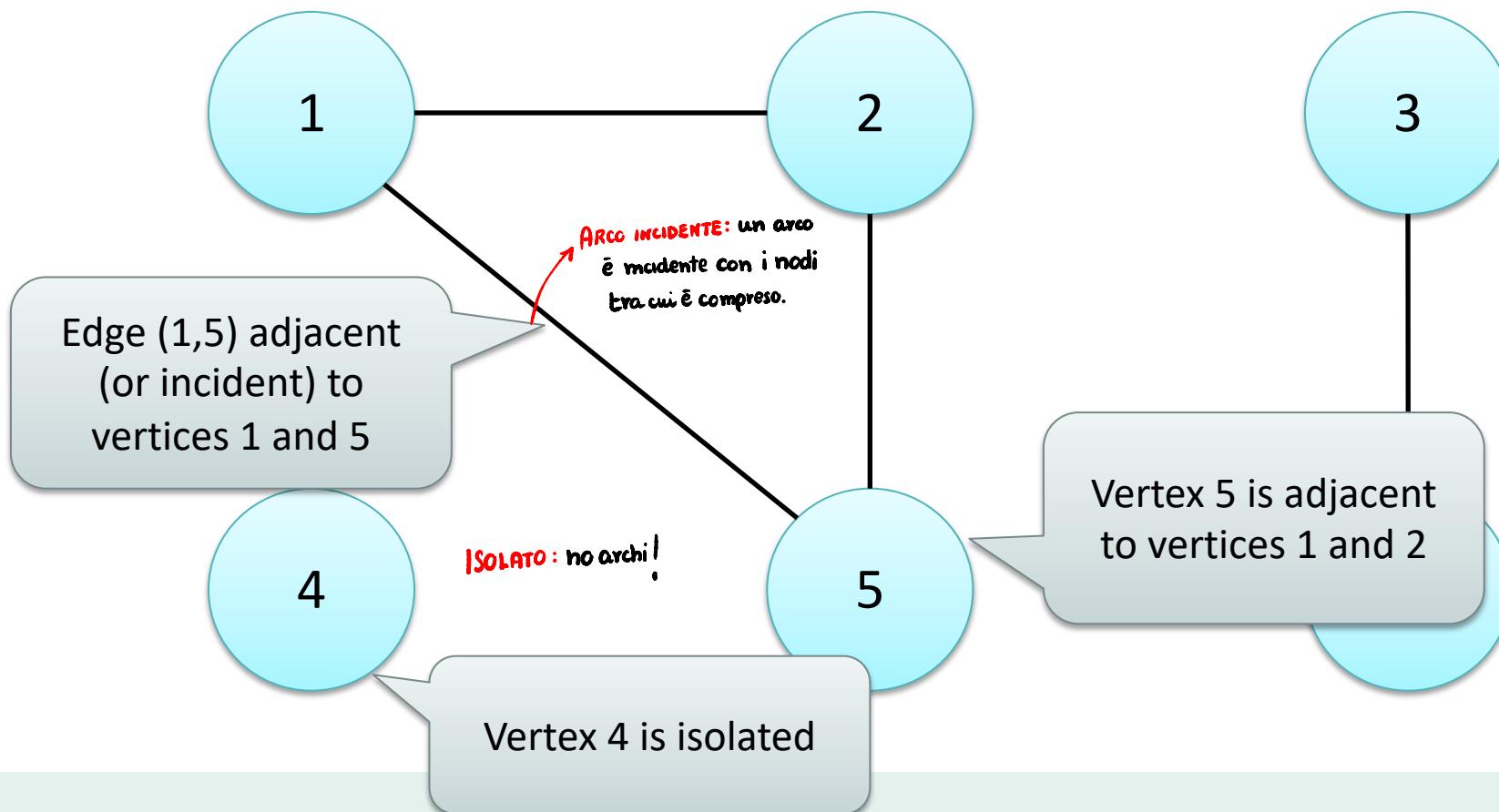
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RELATED DEFINITIONS

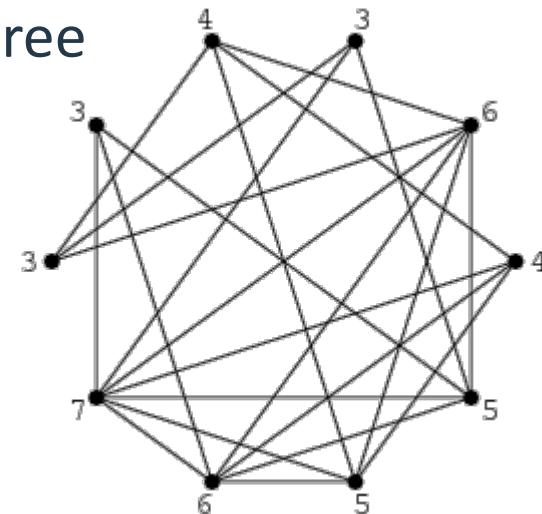
Degree

- In an *undirected graph*,
– the **degree** of a vertex is the number of incident edges
- In a *directed graph*
– The **in-degree** is the number of incoming edges
– The **out-degree** is the number of departing edges
– The **degree** is the sum of in-degree and out-degree
- A vertex with degree 0 is **isolated**

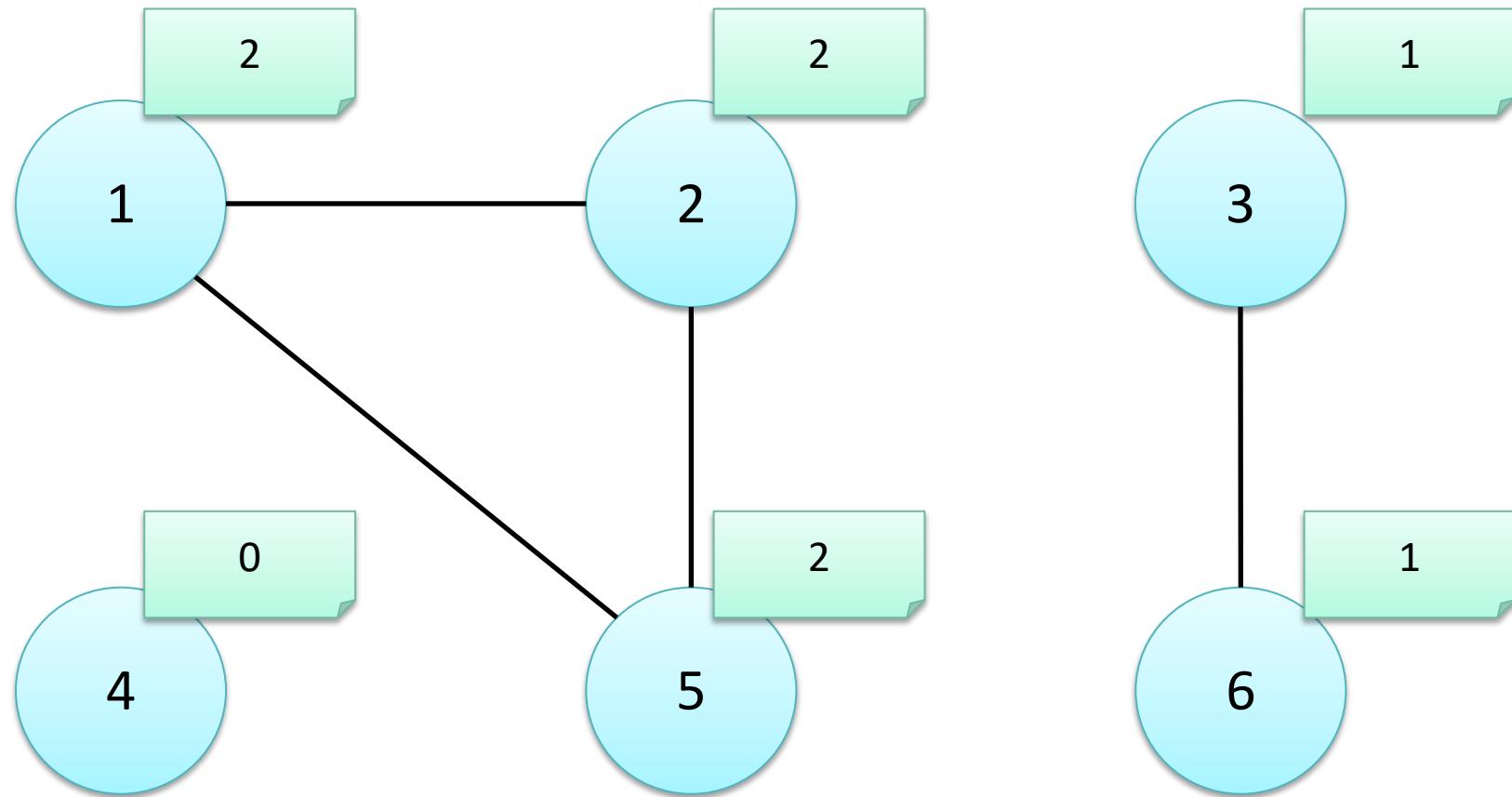
Un nodo con grado 0 è **isolato**!

DEGREE: dimensione del nodo: numero di archi incidenti al nodo!

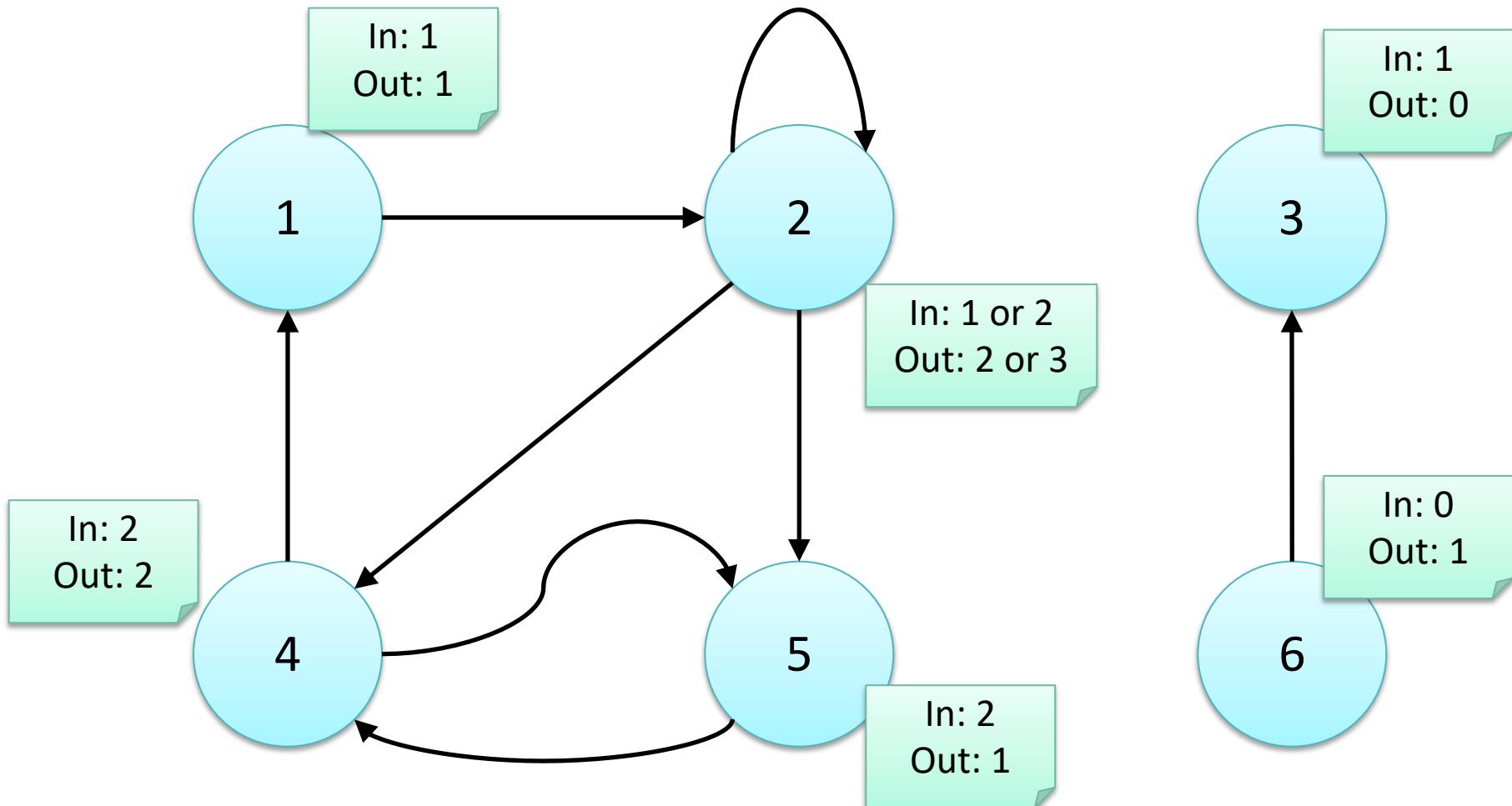
in-degree: numero di archi entranti nel nodo
out-degree: numero di archi uscenti dal nodo



Degree



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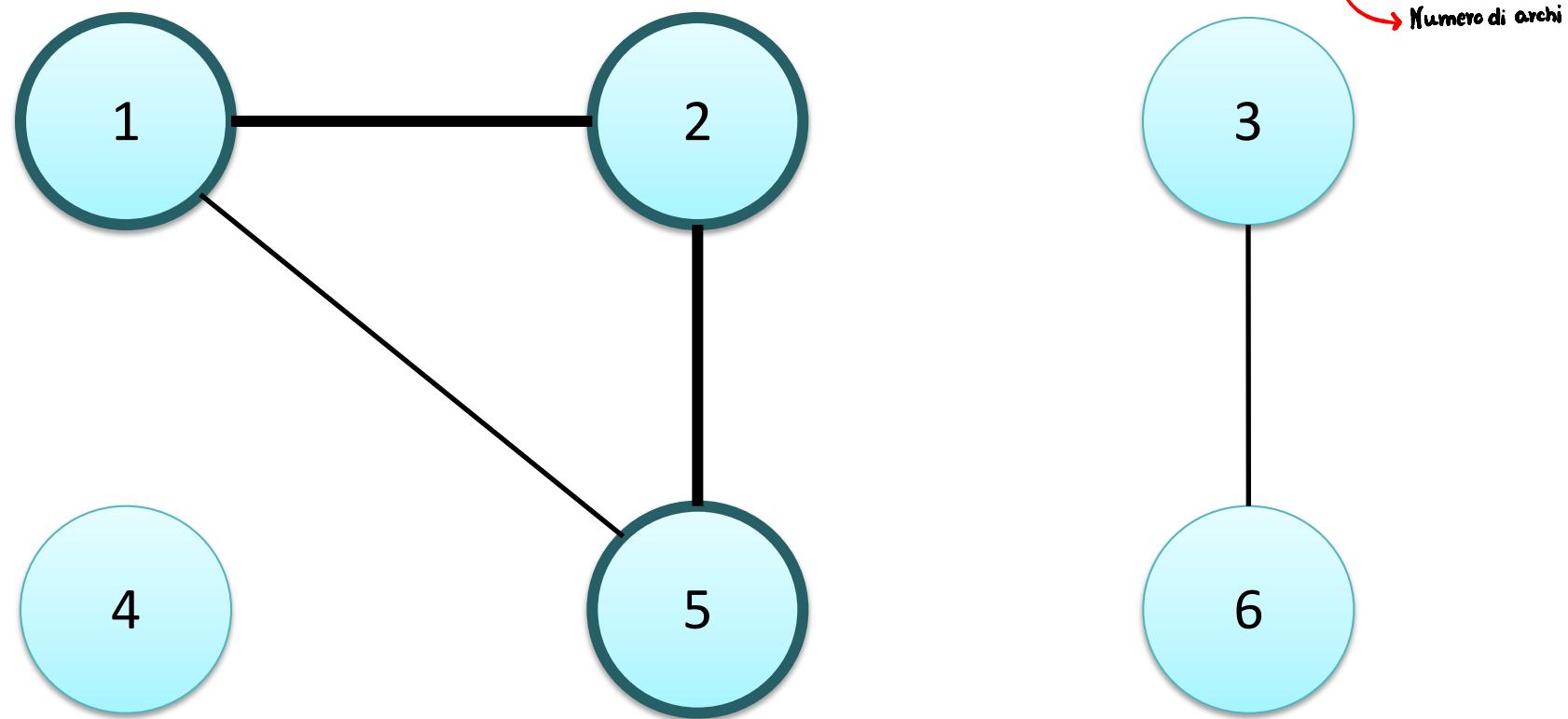
Paths

Un percorso in un grafo è una sequenza di nodi tale x cui si può andare da nodo **source** a uno **target** distanti a piacere passando tra un nodo e uno successivo, che dovranno essere **adiacenti**! ↗ Path: lista ordinata di vertici!

N.B.: Non è detto che \exists un percorso fra due vertici!

- A **path** on a graph $G=(V,E)$, also called a trail, is a sequence $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ such that:
 - v_1, \dots, v_n are vertices: $v_i \in V$
 - $(v_1, v_2), (v_2, v_3), \dots, (v_{n-1}, v_n)$ are graph edges: $(v_{i-1}, v_i) \in E$
 - v_i are distinct (for “simple” paths).
- The **length** of a path is the number of edges ($n-1$) ↗ Lunghezza percorso: numero di archi da attraversare!
- If there exist a path between v_A and v_B we say that v_B is **reachable** from v_A

Example



Path = (1, 2, 5)
Length = 2

Numero di archi

Cycles

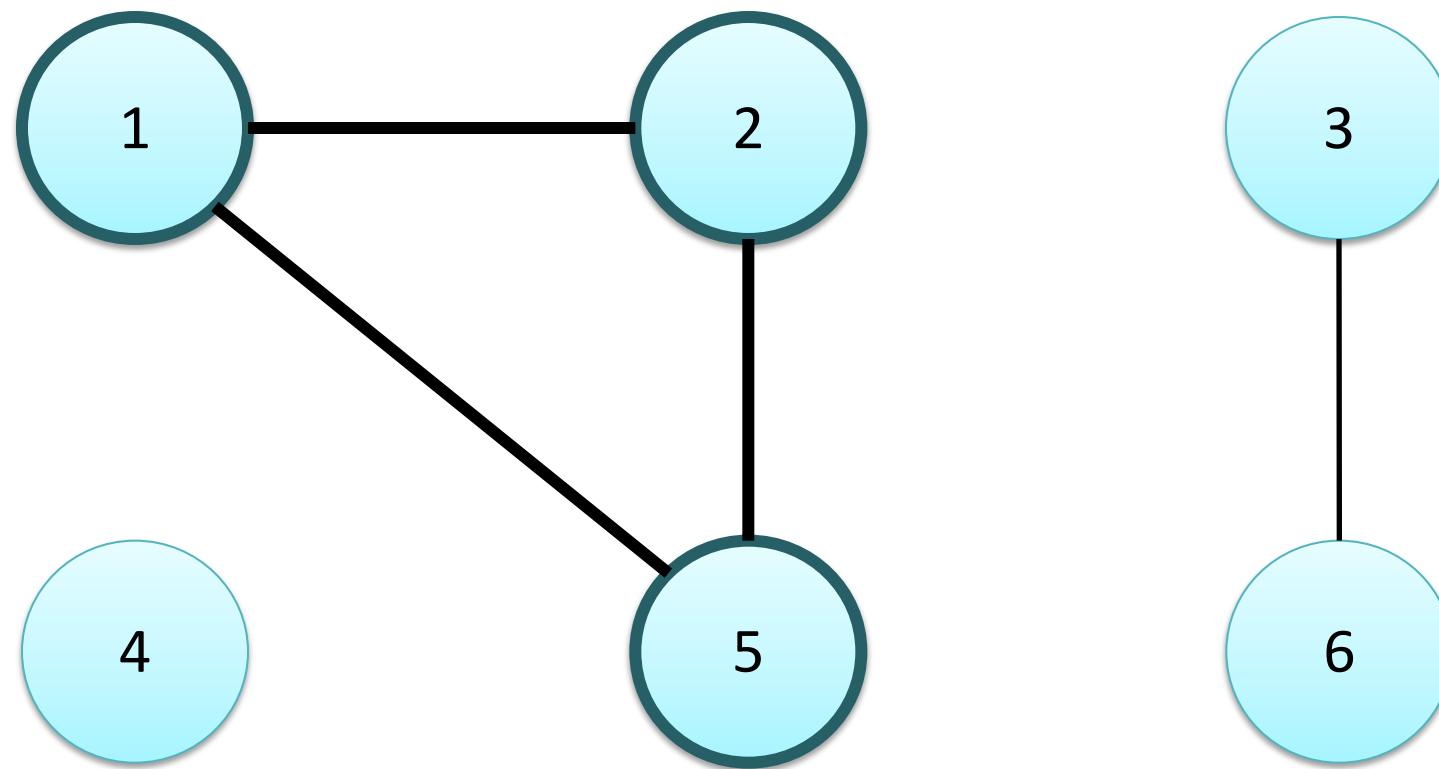
- A cycle is a path where $v_1 = v_n$
- A graph with no cycles is said acyclic

Ciclo: percorso che parte da un nodo e arriva allo stesso nodo di partenza.



Example

Path = (1, 2, 5, 1)
Length = 3



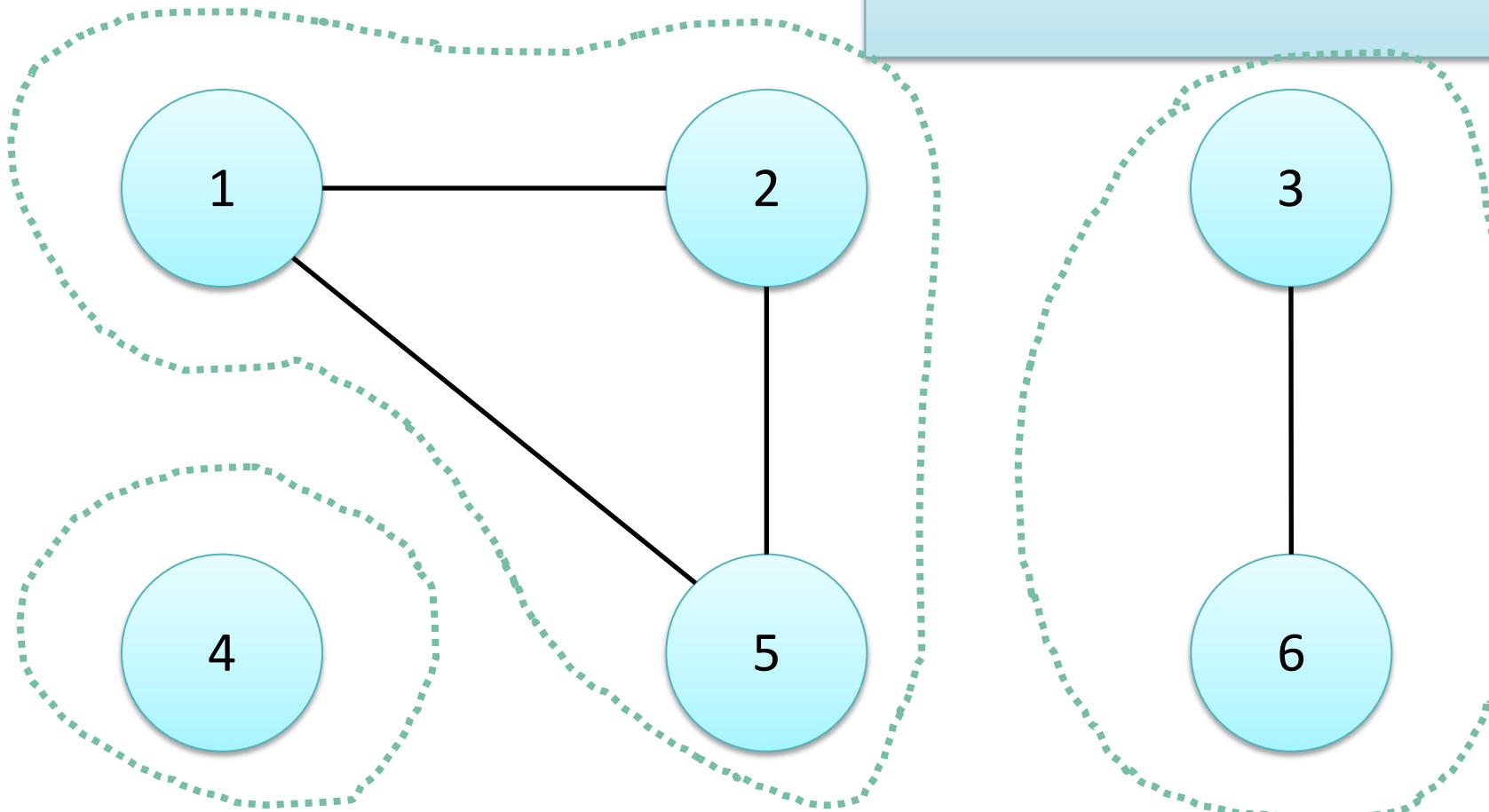
Reachability (Undirected)

- An undirected graph is **connected** if, for every couple of vertices, there is a path connecting them
- The connected sub-graphs of maximum size are called **connected components**
- A connected graph has exactly one connected component

Nel caso di grafi non diretti, si dice che il grafo è **connesso** se dati due vertici, posso SEMPRE trovare un percorso tra questi due vertici.
In generale, posso sempre dividere il mio grafo non connesso in grafi più piccoli che sono connessi. I sotto-grafi connessi prendono il nome di **componenti connesse**. Può essere utile trovare la componente connessa più grande di un grafo non connesso (la dimensione del grafo si riferisce al numero di nodi del graflo)
Un grafo connesso ha ESATTAMENTE una componente connessa.

Connected components

• tre + componenti connesse in un grafo NON connesso!



The graph is **not** connected.
Connected components = 3
 $\{ 4 \}, \{ 1, 2, 5 \}, \{ 3, 6 \}$

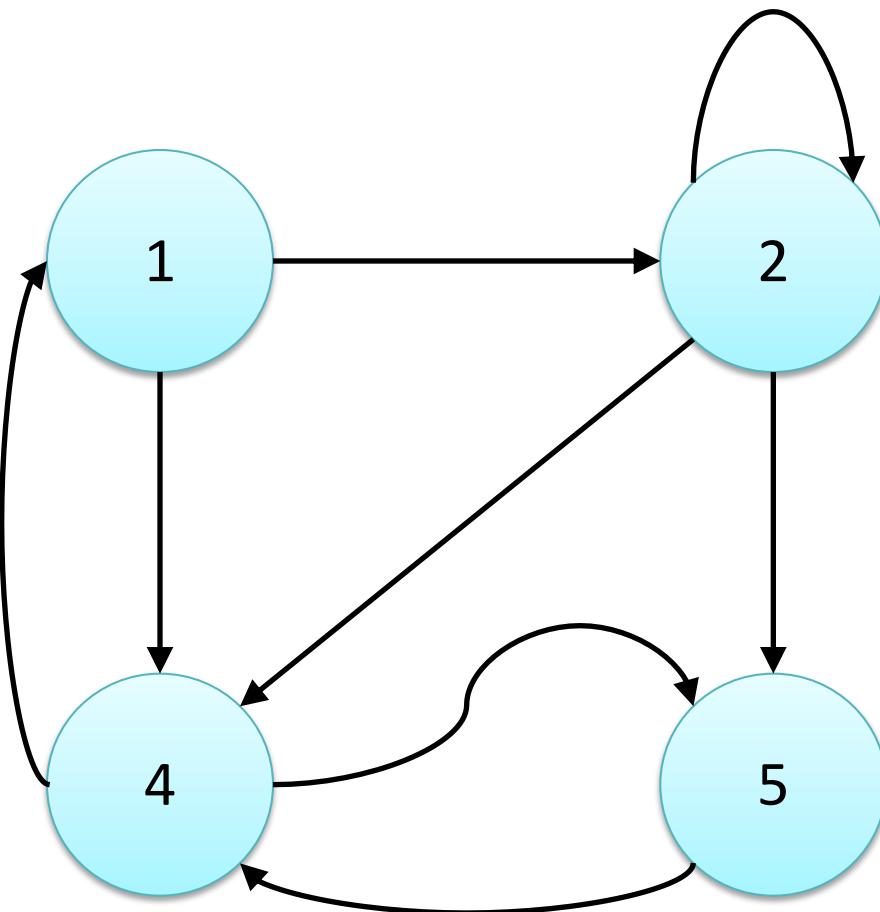
Reachability (Directed)

- A directed graph is **strongly connected** if, for every ordered pair of vertices (v, v') , there exists at least one path connecting v to v'

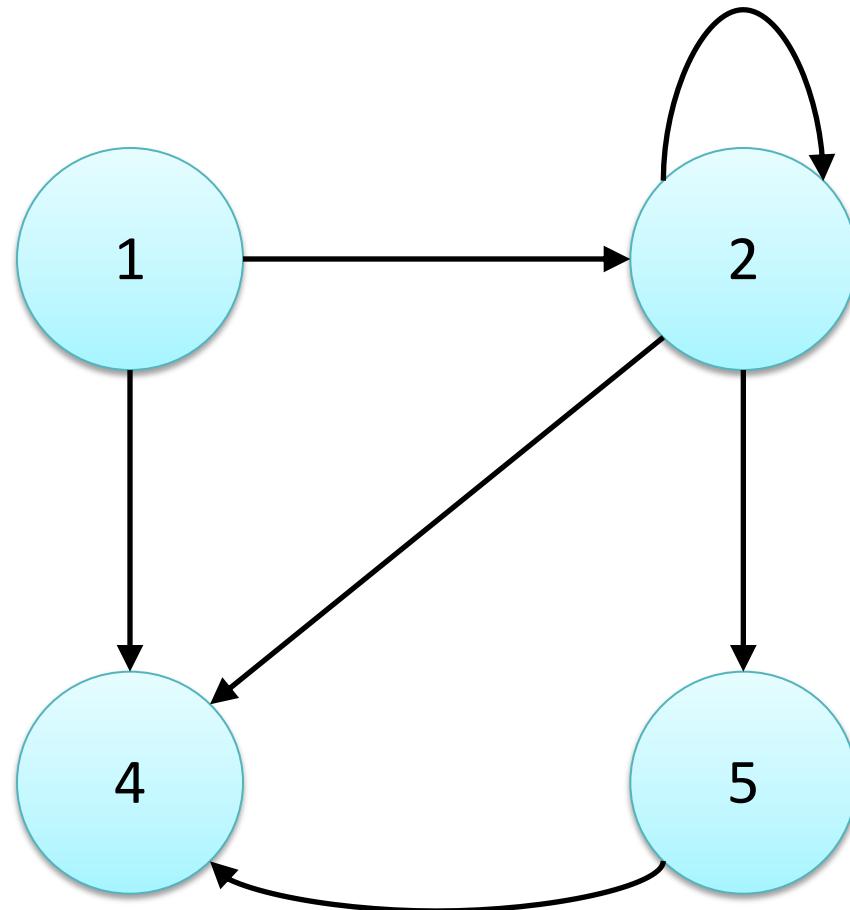
Grafo **fortemente connesso**: se \forall coppia di nodi, \exists almeno un percorso che collega i due nodi.

Example

The graph is **strongly connected**



Example



The graph is **not** strongly connected

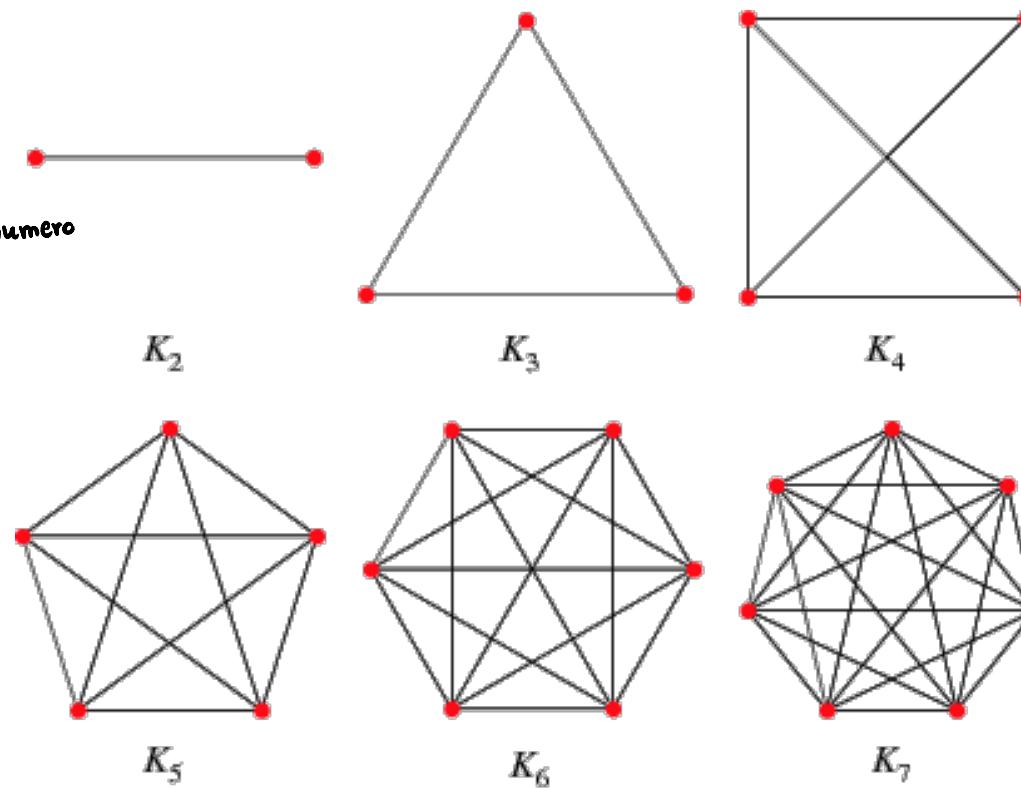
Perché non posso andare dae nodo 1 a qualsiasi altro nodo!

Complete graph

Grafo completo: \forall coppia di nodi, \exists un arco (singolare) che li collega!

- A graph is complete if, for every pair of vertices, there is an edge connecting them (they are adjacent)
- Symbol: K_n

K_n : Grafo completo di dimensione n ; dove n è il numero di nodi.



Complete graph: edges

- In a **complete** graph with n vertices, the number of **edges** is

	Directed	Undirected
No self loops	$n(n - 1)$	$\frac{n(n - 1)}{2}$
With self loops	n^2	$\frac{n(n + 1)}{2}$

Numero di archi in un grafo completo di dimensione n !

Density

- The density of a graph $G=(V,E)$ is the ratio of the number of edges to the total number of possible edges

Densità grafo:
$$\frac{\text{Numero archi del mio grafo}}{\text{Numero archi di un grafo completo di dimensione pari al numero di vertici del grafo}}$$

↓
Rapporta il numero di archi del grafo
in funzione del numero max di archi
che potrei avere!

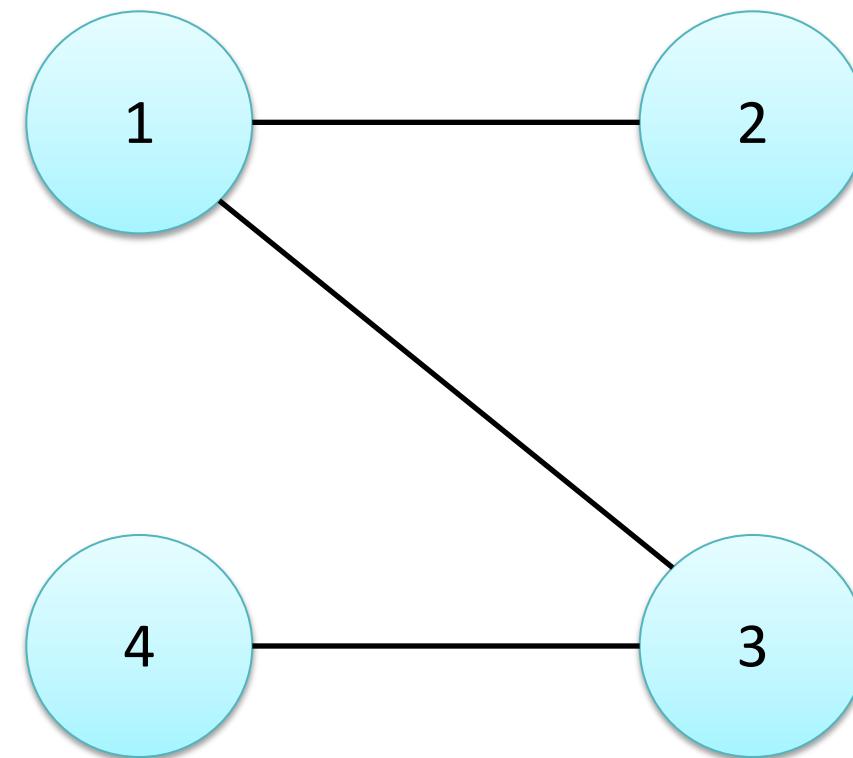
$$d = \frac{|E(G)|}{|E(K_{|V(G)|})|}$$

Example

Density = 0.5

Existing: 3 edges

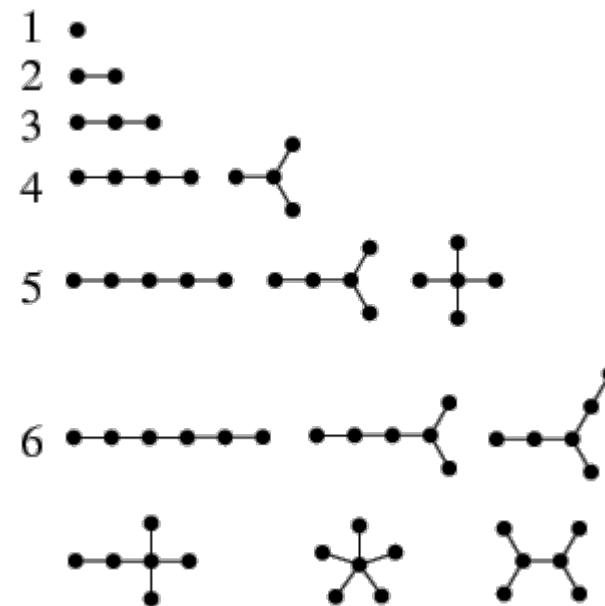
Total: 6 possible edges



Trees and Forests

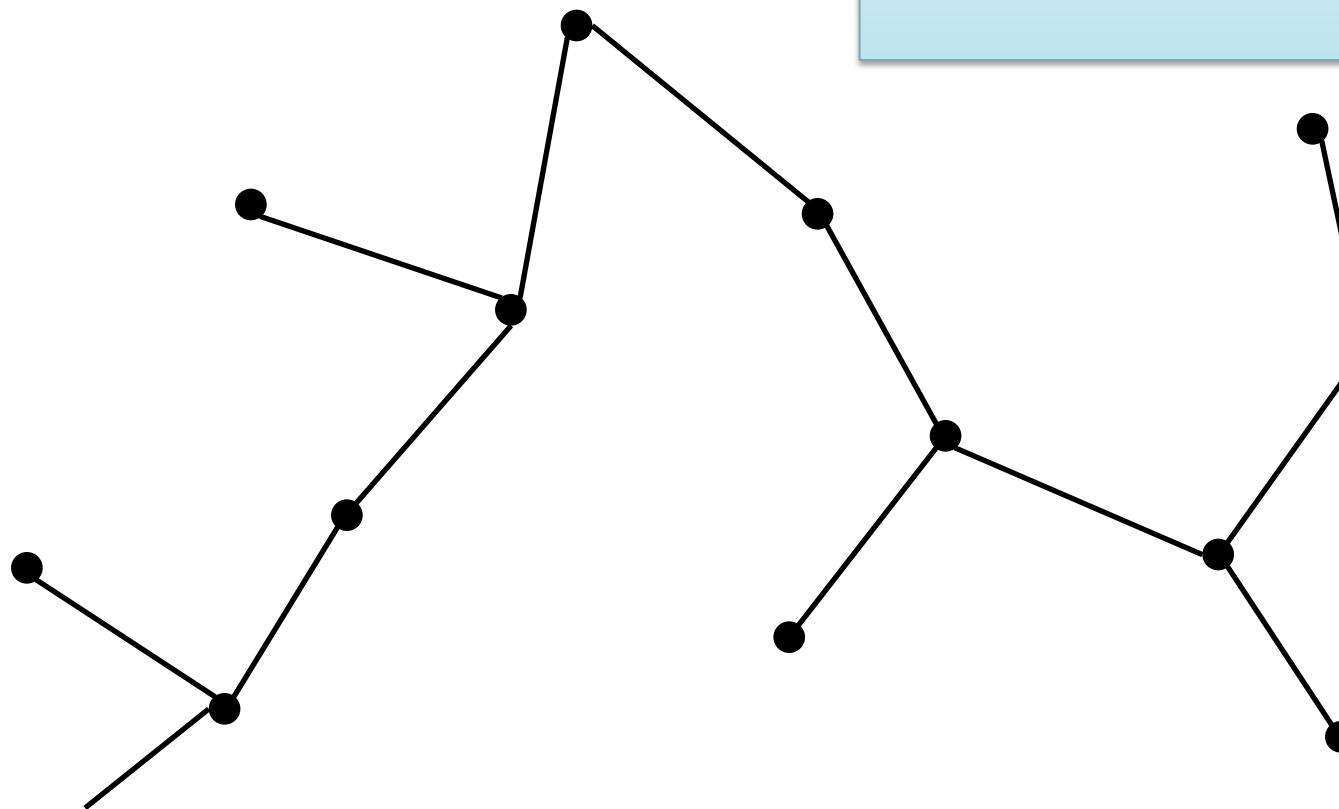
- **Foresta:** grafo NON diretto aciclico. ↗ Insieme di alberi!
- **Albero:** grafo NON diretto, aciclico, ma CONNESSO.

- An undirected acyclic graph is called **forest**
- An undirected acyclic connected graph is called **tree**



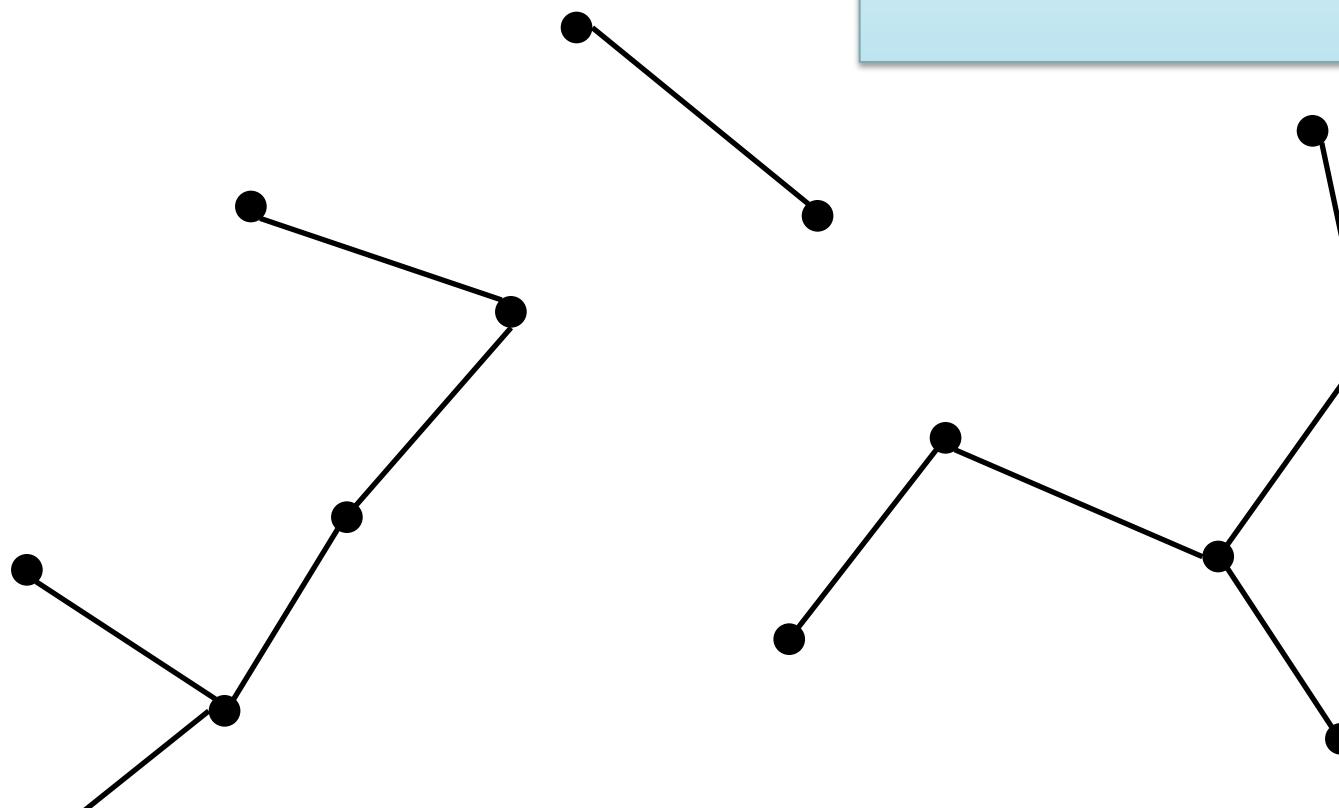
Example

Tree



Example

• Insieme di **tre alberi!**

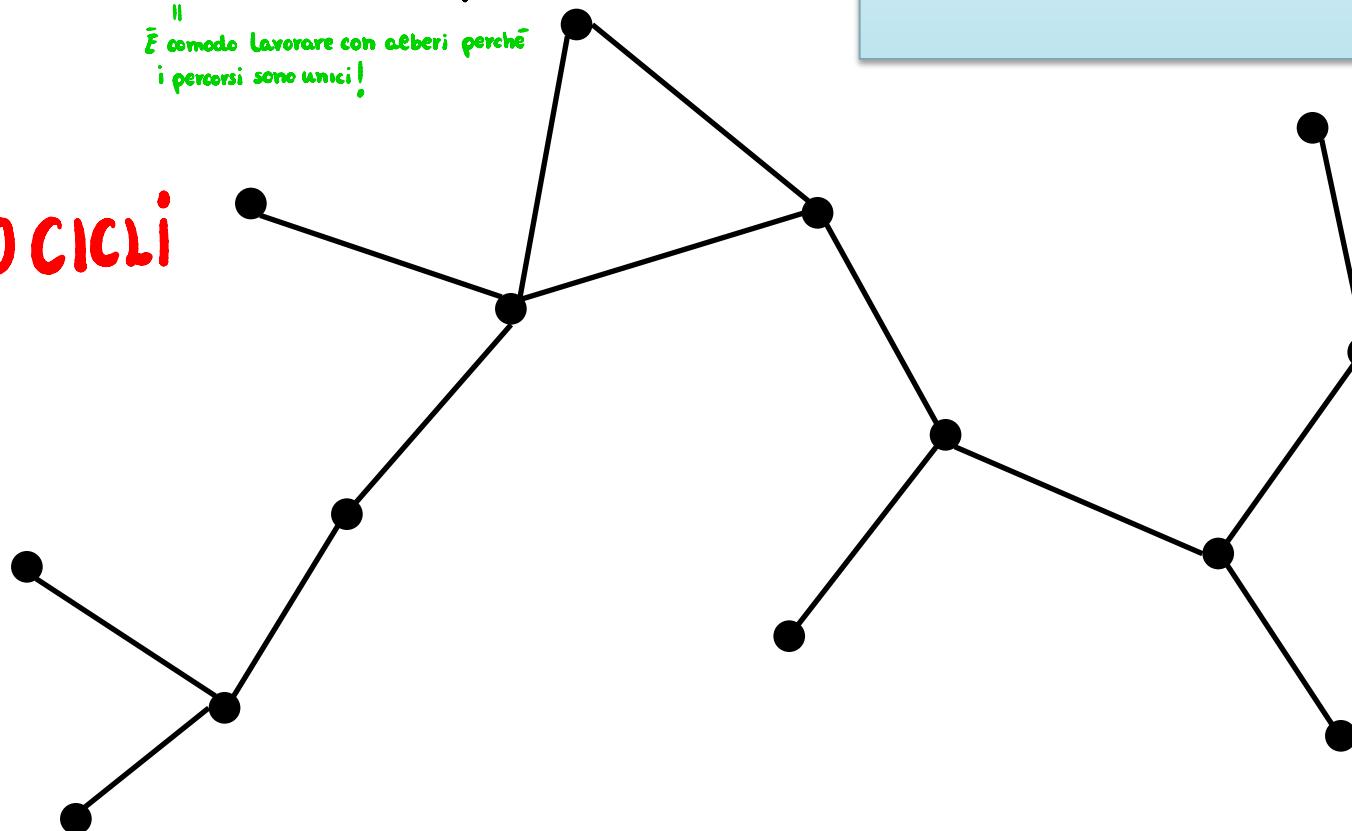


Forest

Example

- Se in un grafo è presente un **ciclo**, allora il grafo **NON** sarà un albero!
 - ↳ In un albero, partendo da un nodo non potrò + raggiungere lo stesso nodo in nessun modo!
 - ||
 - È comodo lavorare con alberi perché i percorsi sono unici!

ALBERO ~~~ NOCICLI

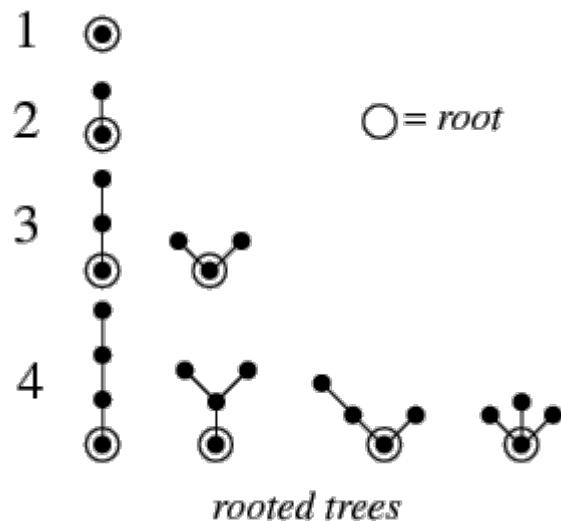


This is not a tree nor a forest
(it contains a cycle)

Rooted trees

- In a tree, a special node may be singled out
- This node is called the “**root**” of the tree
- Any node of a tree can be the root

→ Sugli alberi possiamo identificare un nodo che è favorito rispetto agli altri che si chiama **radice**. È il punto da cui parto a definire i \neq percorsi.



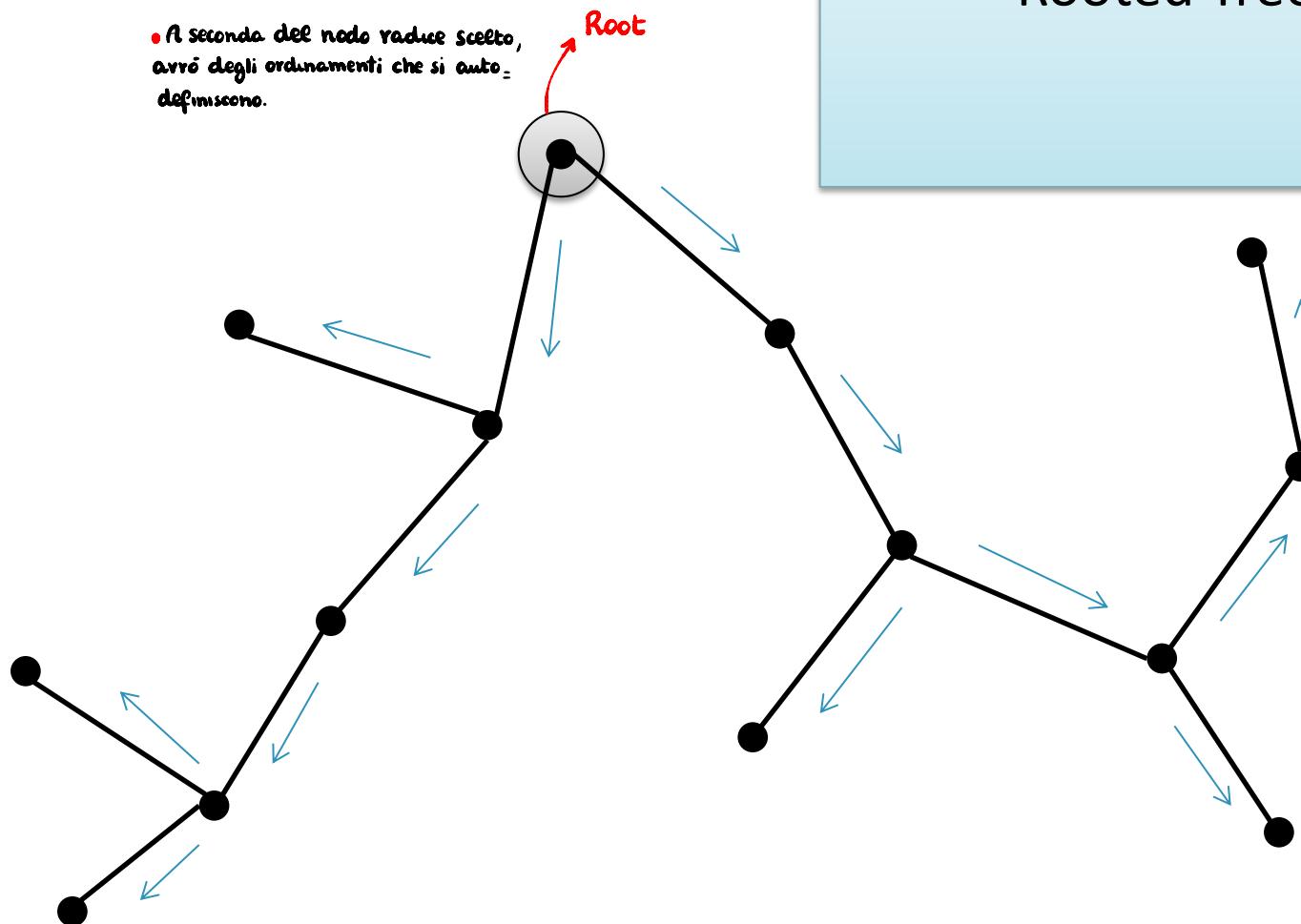
Tree (implicit) ordering

L'albero, implicitamente, definisce già un ordinamento. Perchè se definisco un nodo radice, implicitamente sto dicendo da un nodo a un altro avrà una direzione, perchè se il percorso è unico, anche la direzione sarà unica e ci sarà un unico ordinamento implicitamente determinato. Questo ordinamento definisce anche chi sono le radici e chi sono le foglie dell'albero. Le direzioni vanno sempre dai nodi più "prossimali" alla radice verso i nodi più distanti dalla radice.

- The root node of a tree **induces an ordering** of the nodes
- The root is the “ancestor” of all other nodes/vertices
 - “children” are “away from the root”
 - “parents” are “towards the root”
- The root is the only node without parents
- All other nodes have exactly one parent
- The furthermost (children-of-children-of-children...) nodes are “leaves”

Example

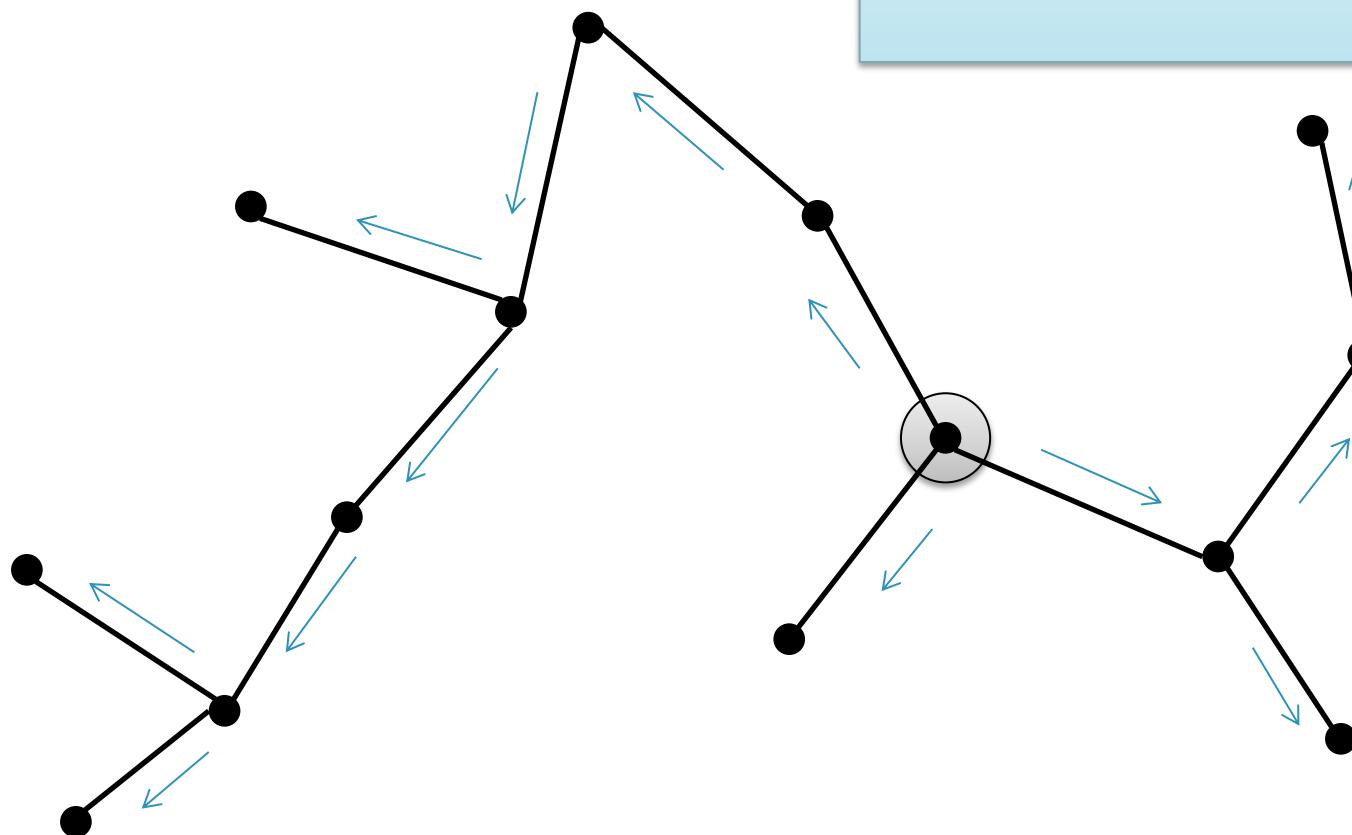
Rooted Tree



• A secondo del nodo radice scelto,
arre degli ordinamenti che si auto-
definiscono.

Example

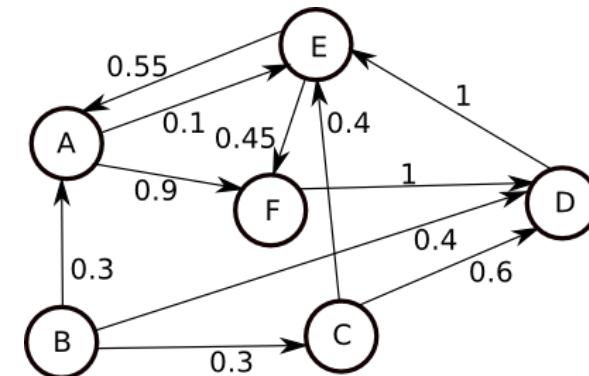
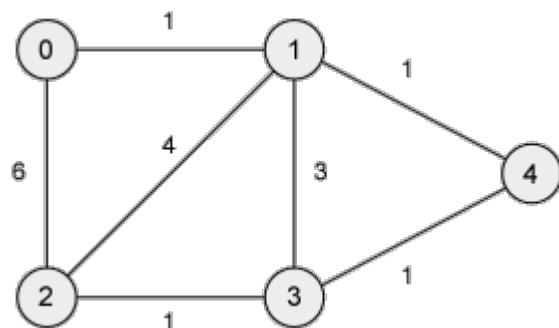
Rooted Tree



Weighted graphs

• **Grafi pesati:** ciascun arco che collega due nodi è caratterizzato da un **costo** (peso)!

- A weighted graph is a graph in which each branch (edge) is given a numerical weight.
- A weighted graph is therefore a special type of labeled graph in which the labels are numbers (which are usually taken to be positive).





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