

# Algebraic Graphs with Class

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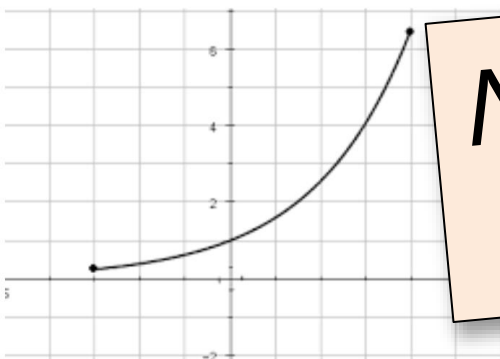
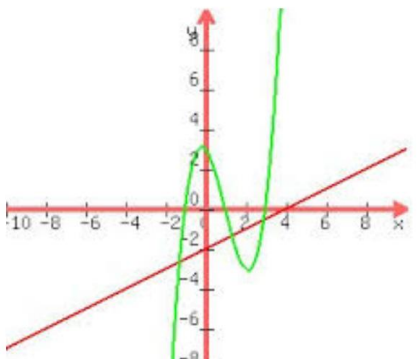
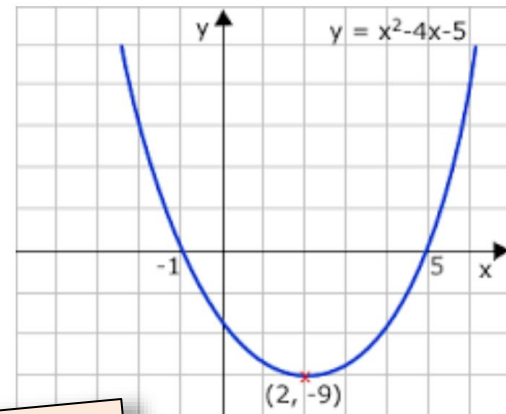
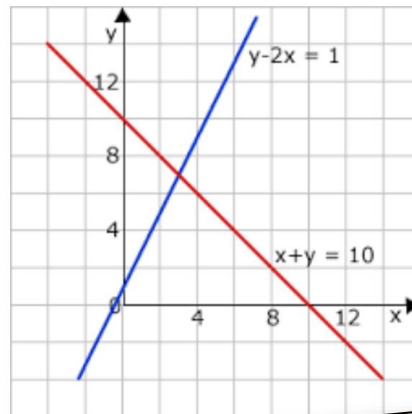
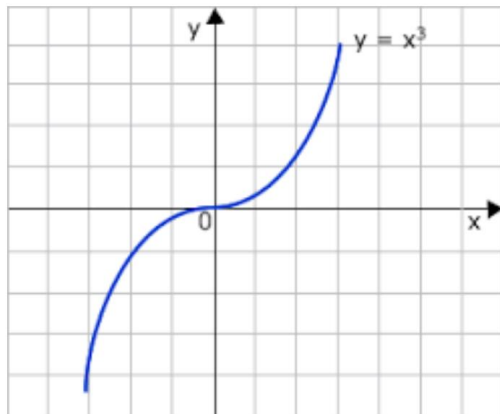
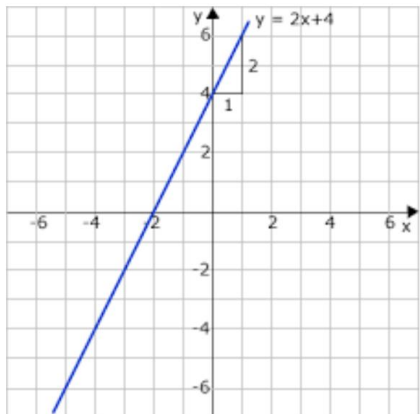
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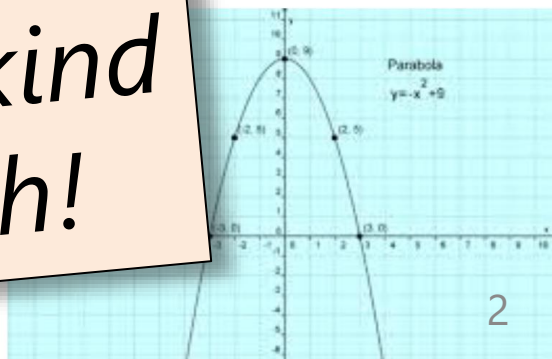
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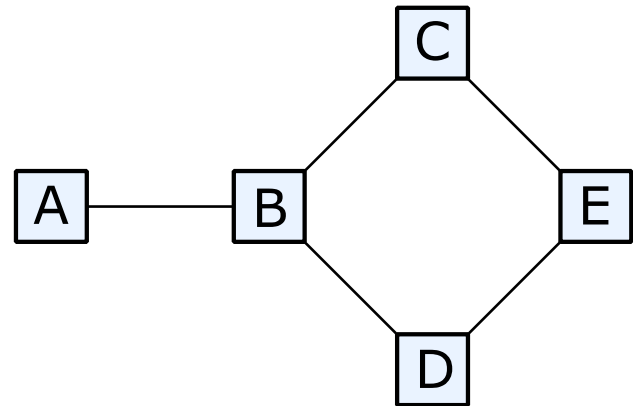
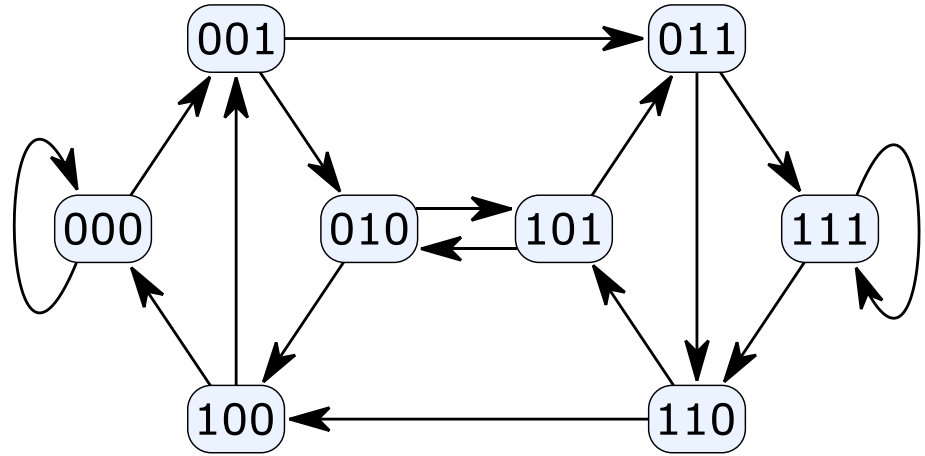


*Not this kind of graph!*



## This kind of graph:

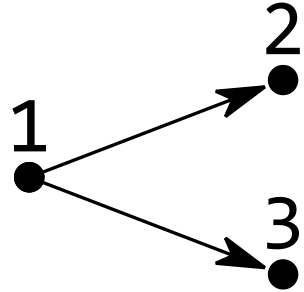
- Labelled vertices
- Can have cycles
- Can have self-loops
- Directed or undirected
- No edge labels
- No vertex ports
- No 'forbidden' edges



# From math to Haskell

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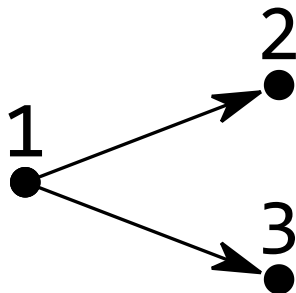
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    , edges    :: [(a,a)] }
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example :: Graph Int
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example = Graph [1,2,3] [(1,2), (1,3)]
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**Solution space:**

1. Fix Haskell

2. Fix math ✓

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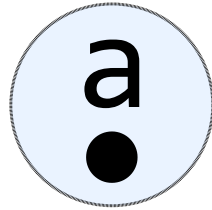
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**Empty :: Graph a**

# Empty :: Graph a

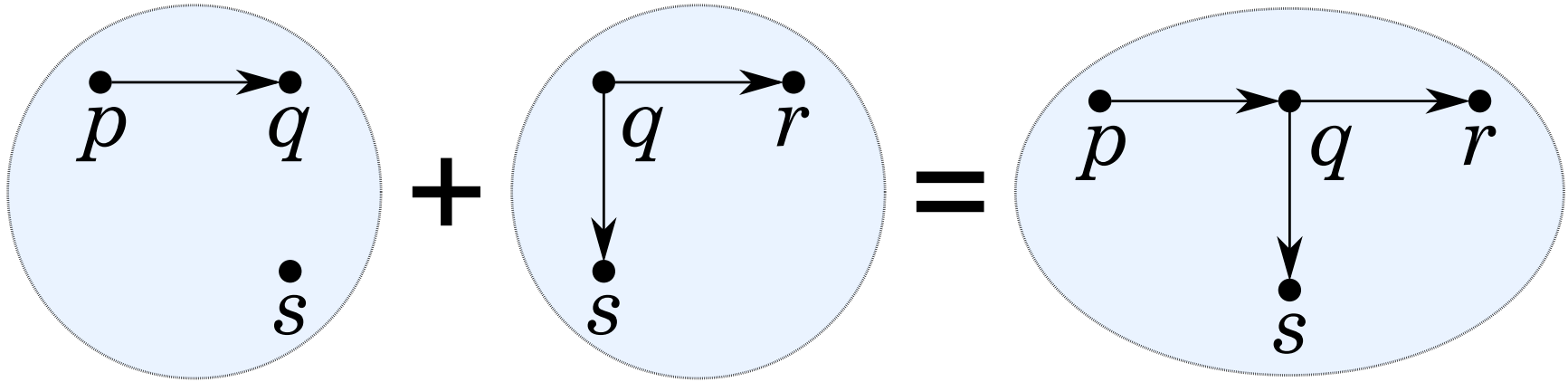
$$(\emptyset, \emptyset)$$

# Vertex :: a -> Graph a



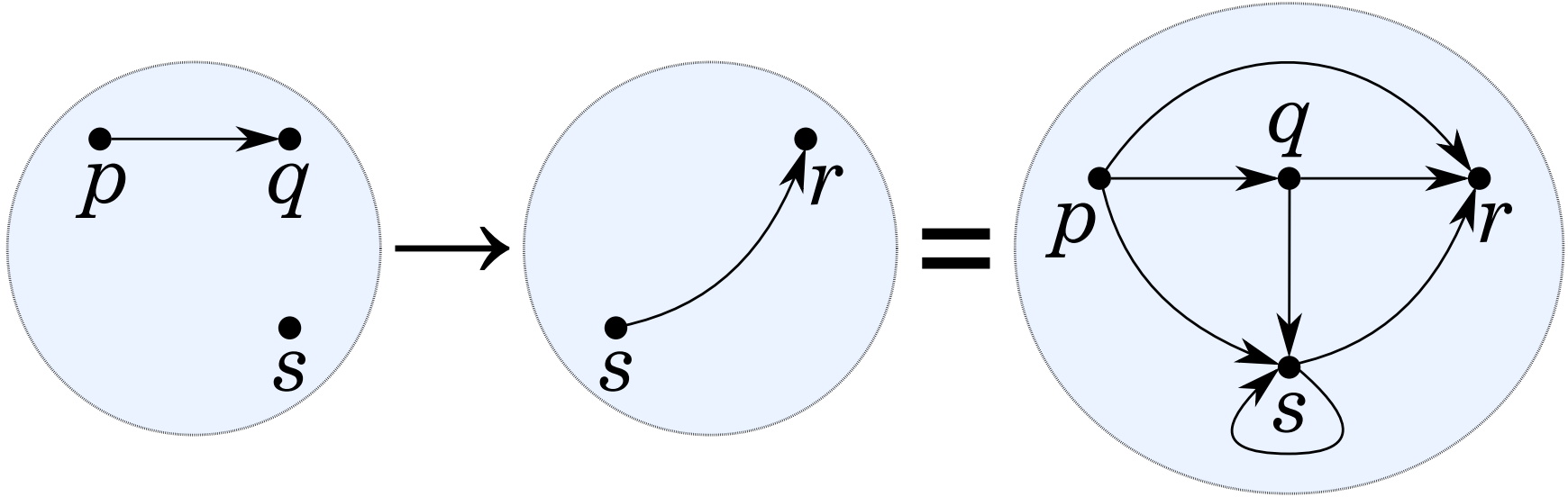
$(\{a\}, \emptyset)$

# Overlay :: Graph a -> Graph a -> Graph a



$$(V_1, E_1) + (V_2, E_2) = (V_1 \cup V_2, E_1 \cup E_2)$$

# Connect :: Graph a -> Graph a -> Graph a



$$(V_1, E_1) \rightarrow (V_2, E_2) = (V_1 \cup V_2, E_1 \cup E_2 \cup V_1 \times V_2)$$



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`Empty` is the empty graph  $(\emptyset, \emptyset)$

`Vertex a` is the singleton graph  $(\{a\}, \emptyset)$

`Overlay` of  $(V_1, E_1)$  and  $(V_2, E_2)$  is  $(V_1 \cup V_2, E_1 \cup E_2)$

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Vertex 1

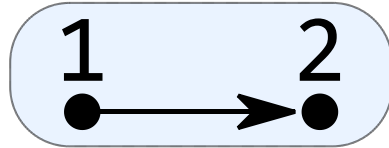


Vertex 2



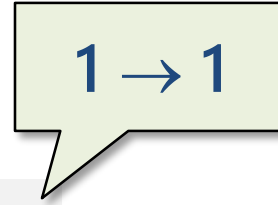
Overlay (Vertex 1) (Vertex 2)

Or simply  $1 + 2$

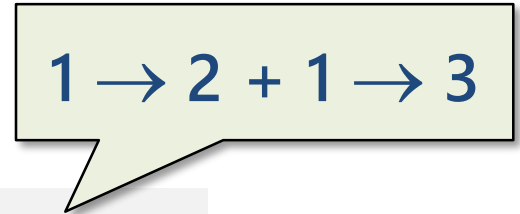
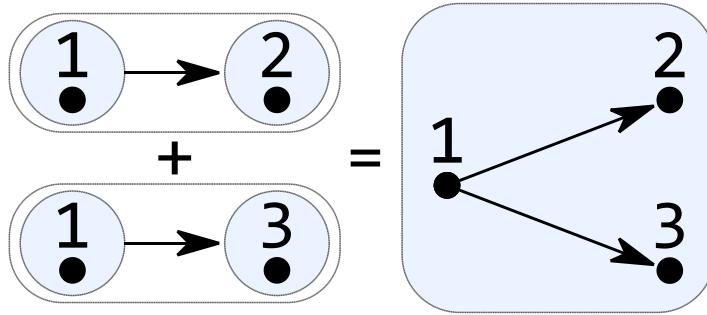


Connect (Vertex 1) (Vertex 2)

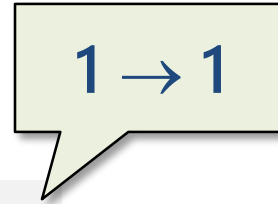
Or simply  $1 \rightarrow 2$



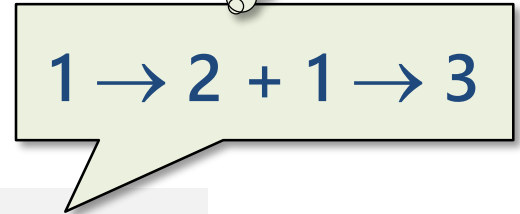
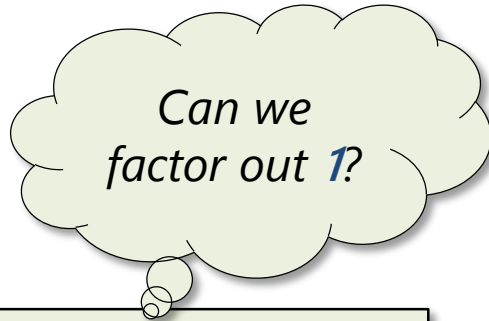
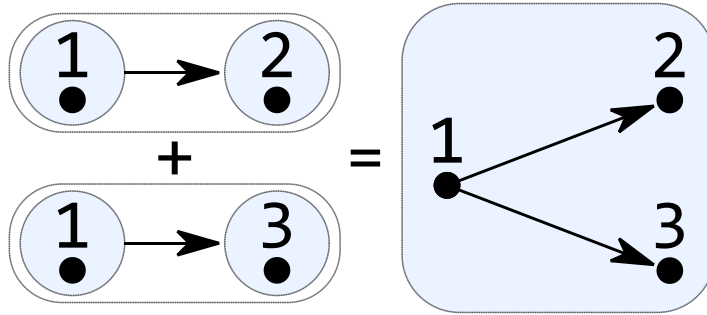
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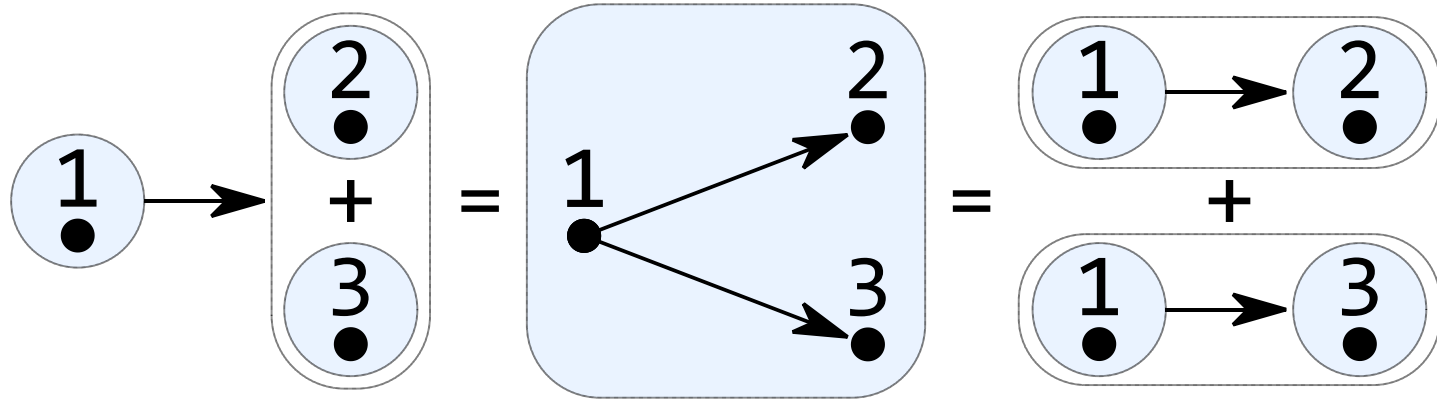


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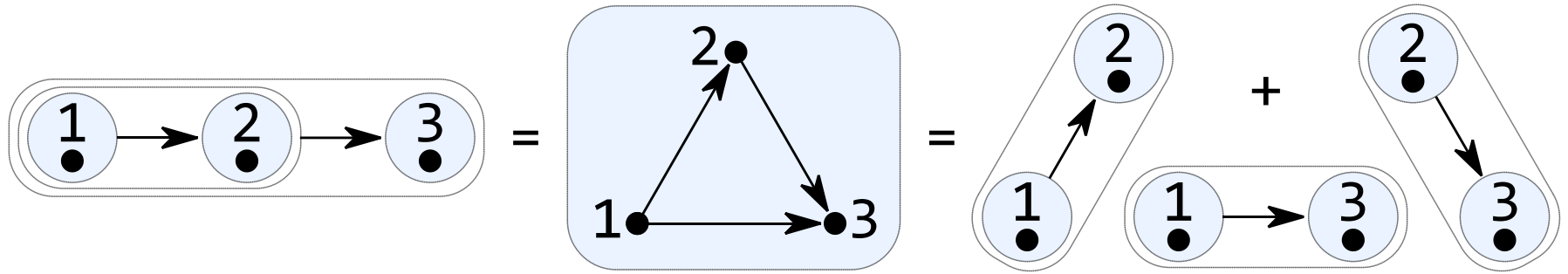
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# Distributivity



$$\begin{aligned}x \rightarrow (y + z) &= x \rightarrow y + x \rightarrow z \\(x + y) \rightarrow z &= x \rightarrow z + y \rightarrow z\end{aligned}$$

# Decomposition



$$x \rightarrow y \rightarrow z = x \rightarrow y + x \rightarrow z + y \rightarrow z$$

**Intuition:** any graph expression can be broken down into an overlay of vertices and edges

# Algebraic structure

## Axioms:

Overlay  $+$  is commutative and associative

Connect  $\rightarrow$  is associative

The empty graph  $\epsilon$  is the identity of connect  $\rightarrow$

Connect  $\rightarrow$  distributes over overlay  $+$

Decomposition:  $x \rightarrow y \rightarrow z = x \rightarrow y + x \rightarrow z + y \rightarrow z$

## Theorems:

Overlay  $+$  is idempotent and has  $\epsilon$  as the identity

# Other flavours of the algebra

Undirected graphs:

- $x \leftrightarrow y = y \leftrightarrow x$

Reflexive graphs:

- $\text{Vertex } x = \text{Vertex } x \rightarrow \text{Vertex } x$

Transitive graphs:

- $(y \neq \varepsilon) \implies x \rightarrow y \rightarrow z = x \rightarrow y + y \rightarrow z$

Various combinations:

- Preorders = Reflexive + Transitive
- Equivalence relations = Undirected + Reflexive + Transitive
- ...



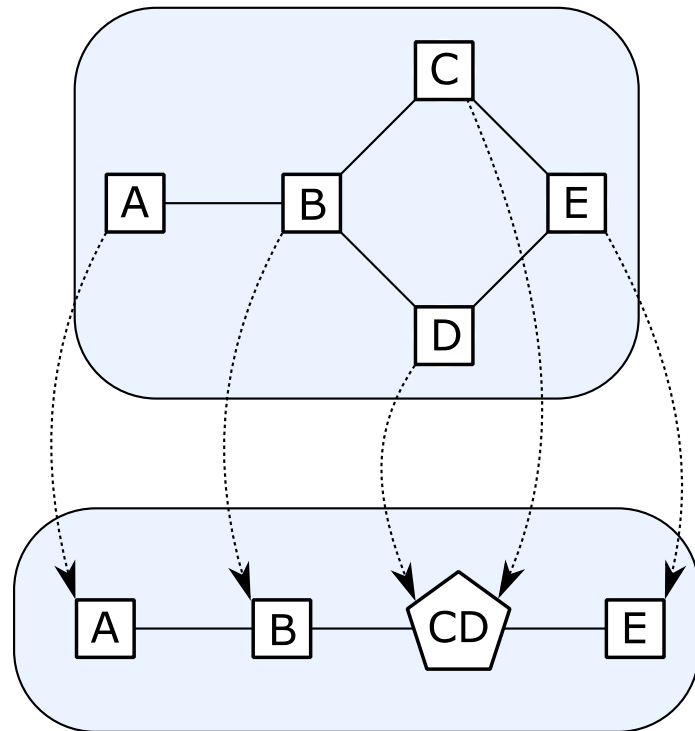
# Reusing functional programming abstractions

```
data Graph a = Empty
             | Vertex a
             | Overlay (Graph a) (Graph a)
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instance Eq a => Eq (Graph a) -- via normal form
instance Num a => Num (Graph a)
instance Functor      Graph
instance Applicative  Graph -- pure = Vertex
instance Monad        Graph
instance MonadPlus    Graph -- mzero =  $\varepsilon$ , mplus = +
...
```

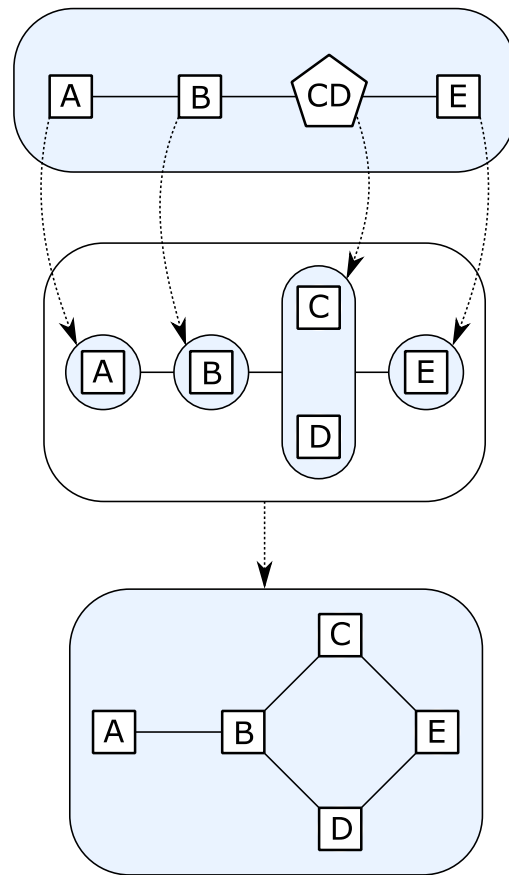
# Merge vertices using Functor

```
mergeCD :: Graph String  
        -> Graph String  
mergeCD g = fmap f g  
  where  
    f "C" = "CD"  
    f "D" = "CD"  
    f x   = x
```



# Split vertices using Monad

```
splitCD :: Graph String  
        -> Graph String  
splitCD g = g >>= f  
  where  
    f "CD" = Vertex "C"  
            + Vertex "D"  
    f x     = Vertex x
```



# Find induced subgraphs using MonadPlus

```
induceBCE :: Graph String -> Graph String  
induceBCE = mfilter (`elem` ["B","C","E"])
```

```
-- From Control.Monad:
```

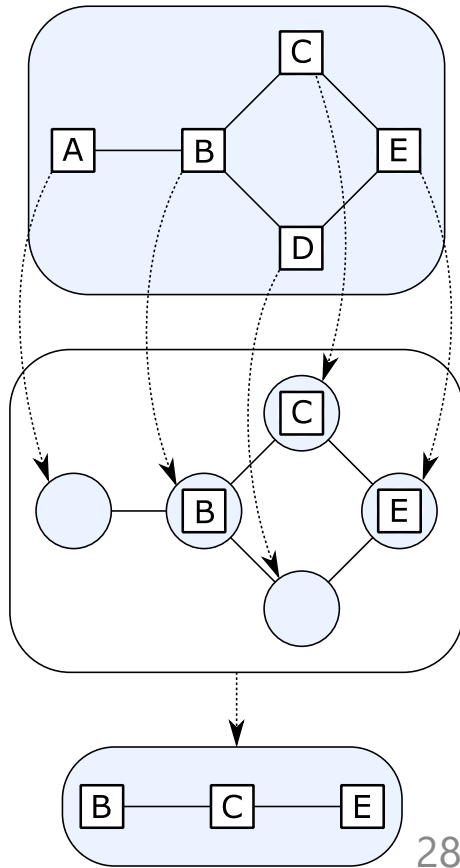
```
mfilter :: MonadPlus m => (a -> Bool)
```

```
    -> m a -> m a
```

```
mfilter p ma = do
```

```
    a <- ma
```

```
    if p a then return a else mzero
```



# Algebraic graphs with class

```
class Graph g where
  type Vertex g
  empty      :: g
  vertex     :: Vertex g -> g
  overlay    :: g -> g -> g
  connect    :: g -> g -> g
```

Write code once, reuse for different graph data structures

```
vertices vs = foldr overlay empty (map vertex vs)
clique     vs = foldr connect empty (map vertex vs)
star      u vs = connect (vertex u) (vertices vs)
```

# Algebraic graphs library

Algebraic graphs are available on Hackage

- Graph construction & transformation API
- Several concrete data structures
- <http://hackage.haskell.org/package/algebraic-graphs>
- <https://github.com/snowleopard/alga>

Parts of the API are formally verified in Agda:

- <https://github.com/snowleopard/alga-theory>

Used in industry!

# Thank you!

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P.S.: Have you come across decomposition  $xyz = xy + xz + yz$ ?

P.P.S.: There are plenty of open research problems: edge labels, graph algorithms, compact graph representation, etc. Help me!

# Transitive graphs

Closure:

$$(q \neq \varepsilon) \Rightarrow p \rightarrow q \rightarrow r = p \rightarrow q + q \rightarrow r$$

