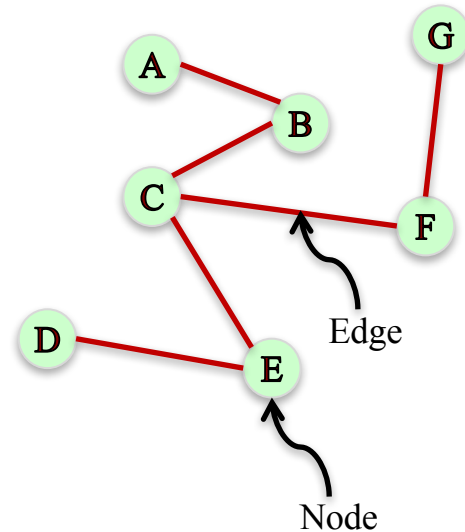


# Network Definition and Vocabulary

Network (or Graph): A representation of connections among a set of items.

- Items are called nodes (or vertices)
- Connections are called edges (or link or ties)

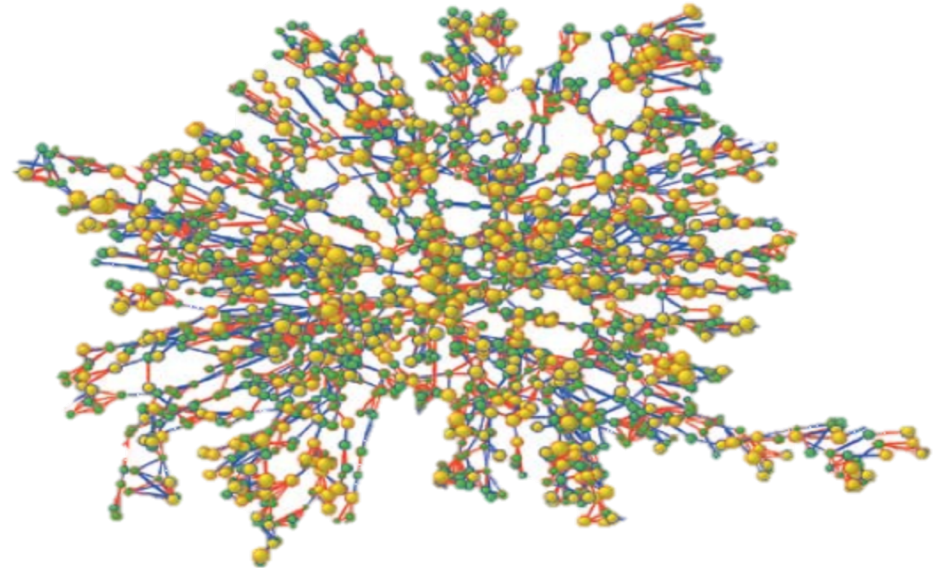
```
import networkx as nx  
G=nx.Graph()  
G.add_edge('A','B')  
G.add_edge('B','C')
```



**Nodes:** People

**Edges:** Friendship,  
marital, or family ties

(Mostly) **Symmetric  
relationships**

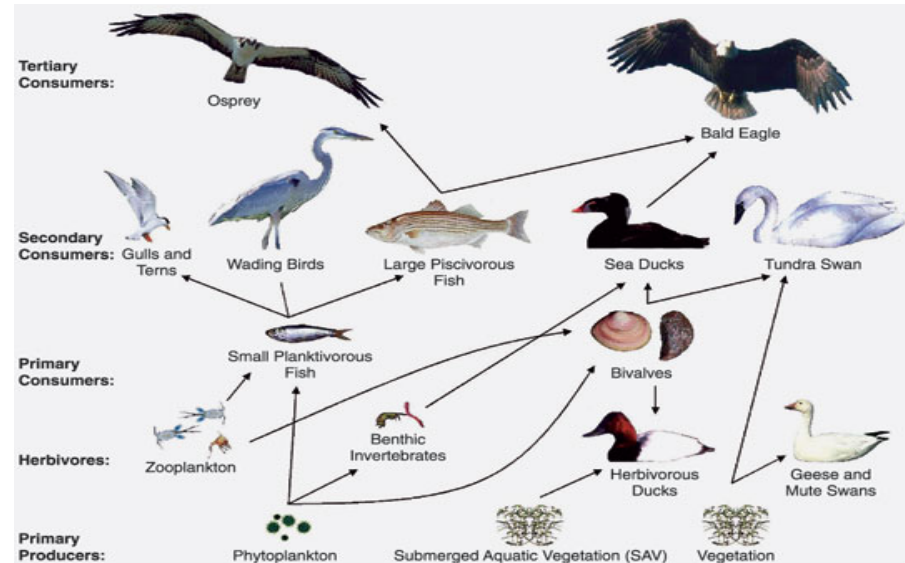


Network of friendship, marital tie, and  
family tie among 2200 people

**Nodes:** Birds

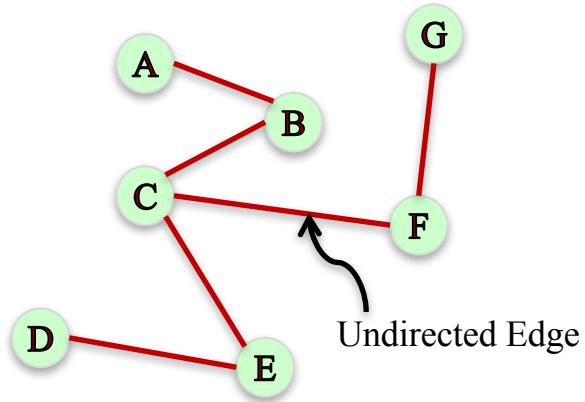
**Edges:** What eats what

**Asymmetric  
relationships**



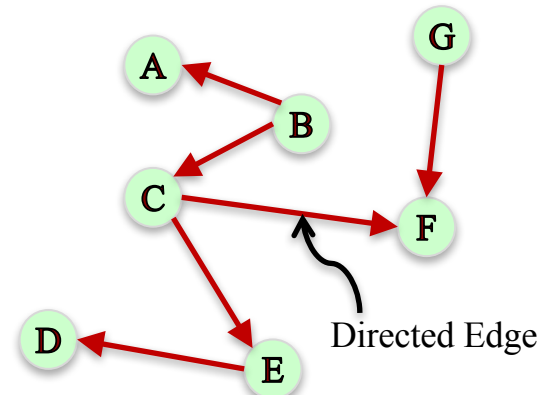
Chesapeake Bay Water bird Food Web

# Edge Direction



**Undirected network:**  
edges have no direction

```
G=nx.Graph()  
G.add_edge('A','B')  
G.add_edge('B','C')
```



**Directed network:**  
edges have direction

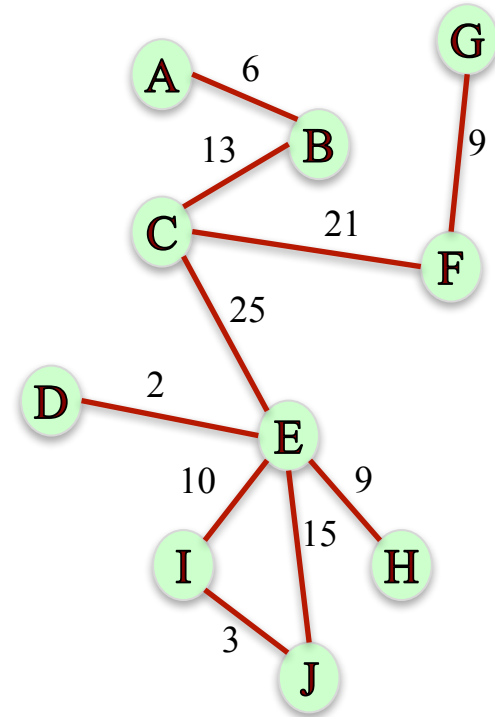
```
G=nx.DiGraph()  
G.add_edge('B', 'A')  
G.add_edge('B','C')
```

# Weighted Networks

Not all relationships are equal.  
Some edges carry higher weight than others.

**Weighted network:** a network where edges are assigned a (typically numerical) weight.

```
G=nx.Graph()  
G.add_edge('A','B', weight = 6)  
G.add_edge('B','C', weight = 13)
```



Number of times coworkers had  
lunch together in one year

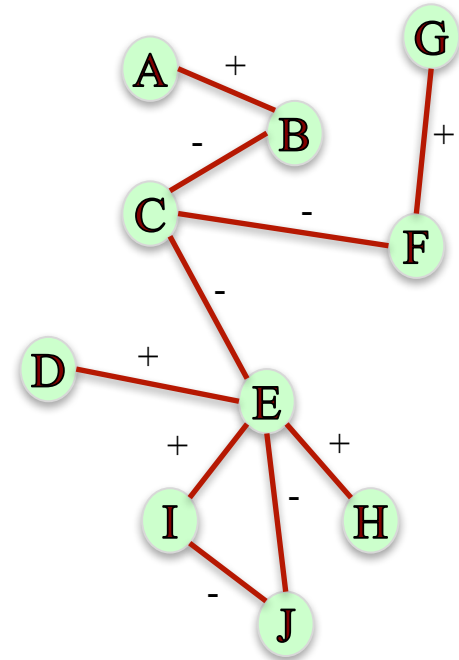
# Signed Networks

Some networks can carry information about friendship and antagonism based on conflict or disagreement.

Ex: In Epinions and Slashdot people can declare friends and foes.

**Signed network:** a network where edges are assigned positive or negative sign.

```
G=nx.Graph()
G.add_edge('A','B', sign= '+')
G.add_edge('B','C', sign= '-')
```

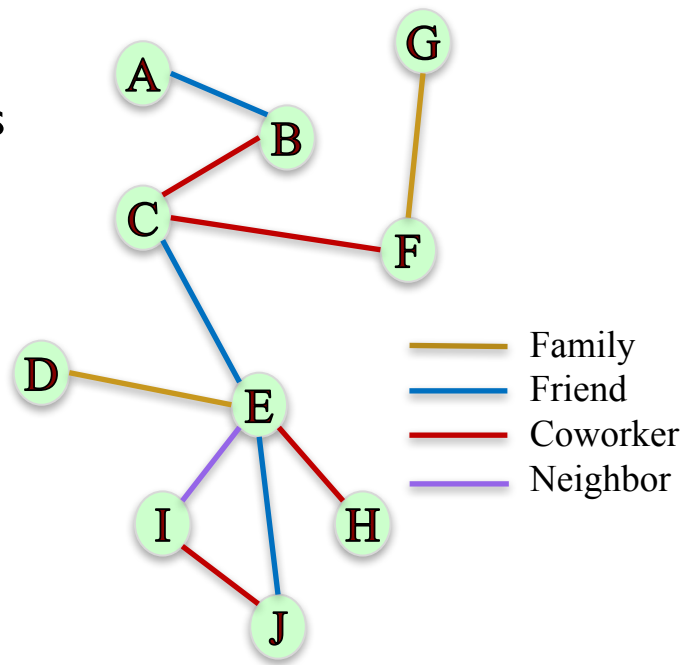


Friends and enemies

# Other Edge Attributes

Edges can carry many other labels or attributes

```
G=nx.Graph()  
G.add_edge('A','B', relation= 'friend')  
G.add_edge('B','C', relation= 'coworker')  
G.add_edge('D','E', relation= 'family')  
G.add_edge('E','I', relation= 'neighbor')
```

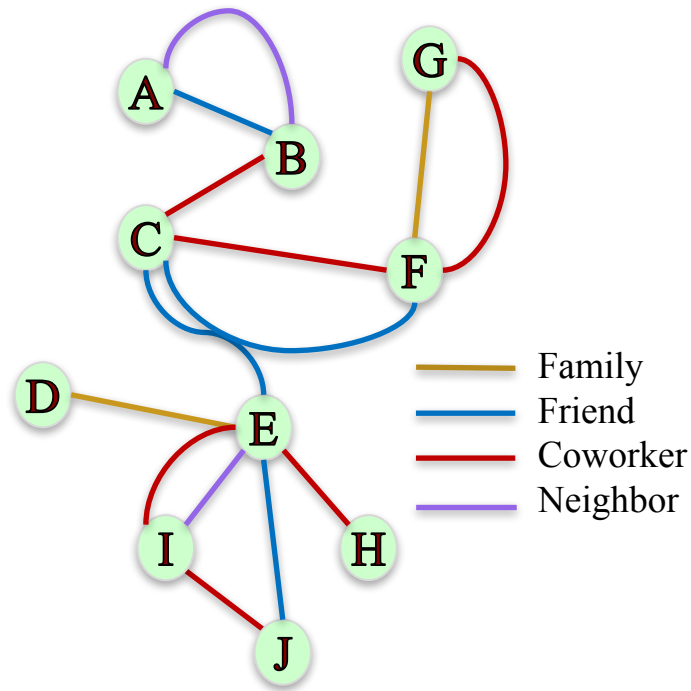


# Mutigraphs

A pair of nodes can have different types of relationships simultaneously

**Multigraph:** A network where multiple edges can connect the same nodes (parallel edges).

```
G=nx.MultiGraph()  
G.add_edge('A','B', relation= 'friend')  
G.add_edge('A','B', relation= neighbor')  
G.add_edge('G','F', relation= 'family')  
G.add_edge('G','F', relation= 'coworker')
```





# Summary

