

Chapter 10: Graphs

Basic Concepts

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Basic Graph Definitions

A graph is a mathematical object that is used to model different situations – objects and processes:

- Linked list

- Tree (partial instance of graph)

- Flowchart of a program

- City map

- Electric circuits

- Course curriculum

Vertices and Edges

Definition: A graph is a collection (nonempty set) of vertices and edges

Vertices (Nodes): can have names and properties

Edges (Connection):

- connect two vertices,

- can be labeled,

- can be directed

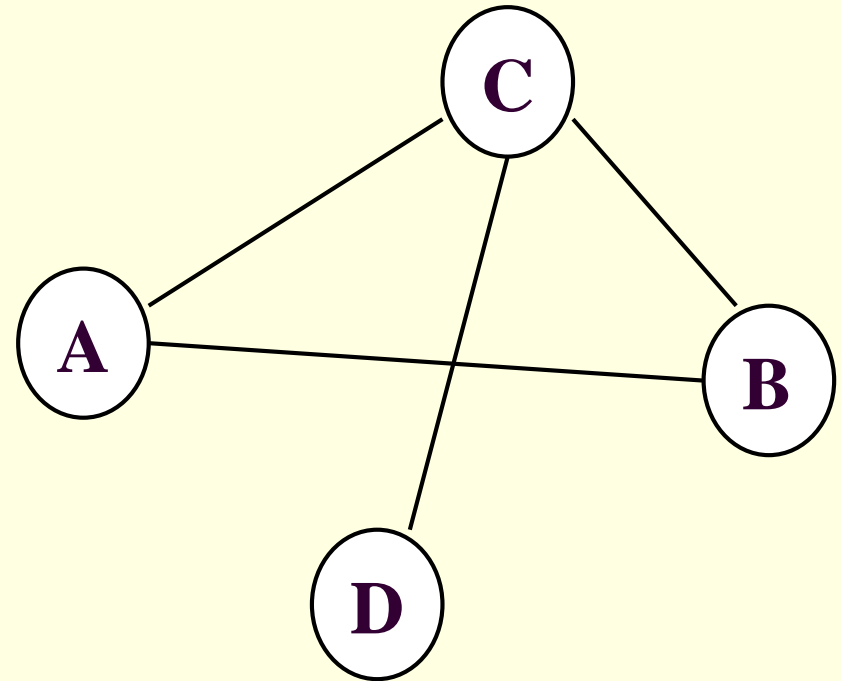
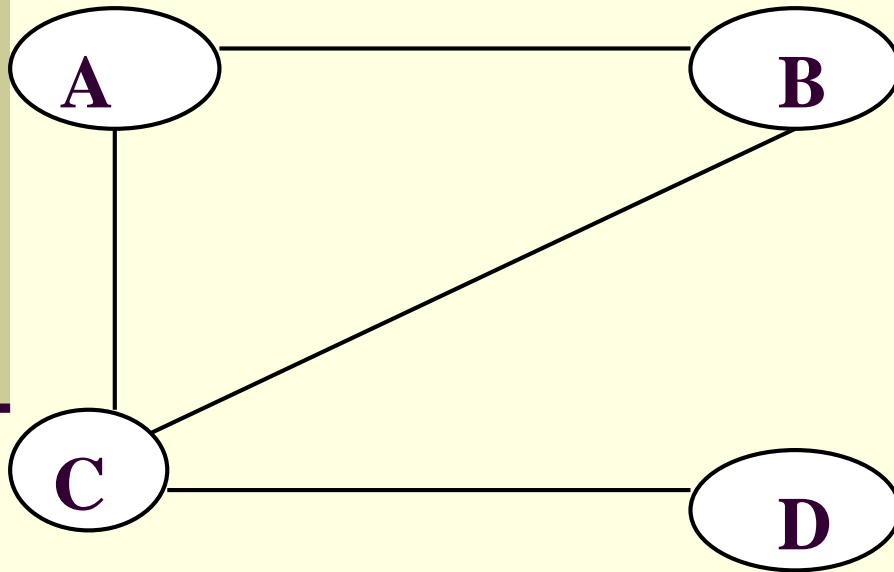
Adjacent vertices: there is an edge between them

Example

Graph1

Vertices: A,B,C,D

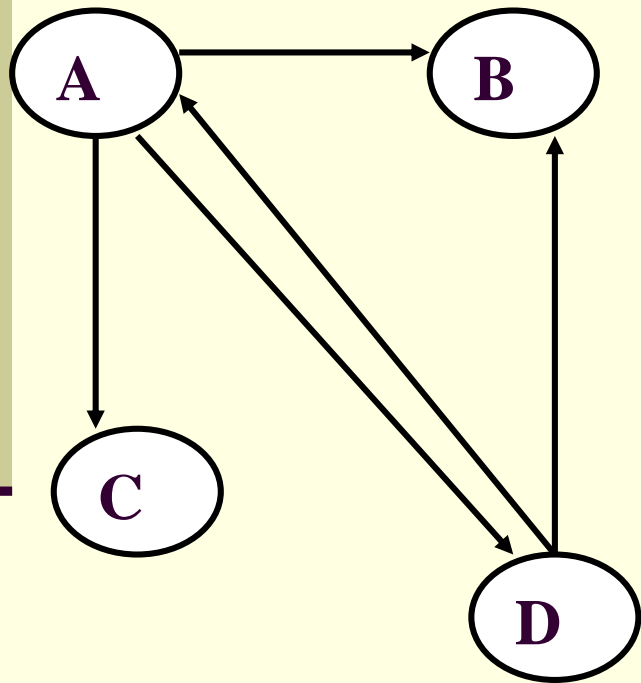
Edges: AB, AC, BC, CD



Two ways to draw the same graph

Degree of Directed and undirected graphs

Graph2



In-Degree (Indeg): No. of edges Entering Node

Out-Degree(Outdeg): No. of edges Exiting Node

Examples: In Graph2

Indeg(A)=1

Outdeg(A)=3

Indeg(B)=2

Outdeg(B)=0

CALLED **Sink**

Indeg(C)=1

Outdeg(A)=0

CALLED **Sink**

Indeg(D)=1

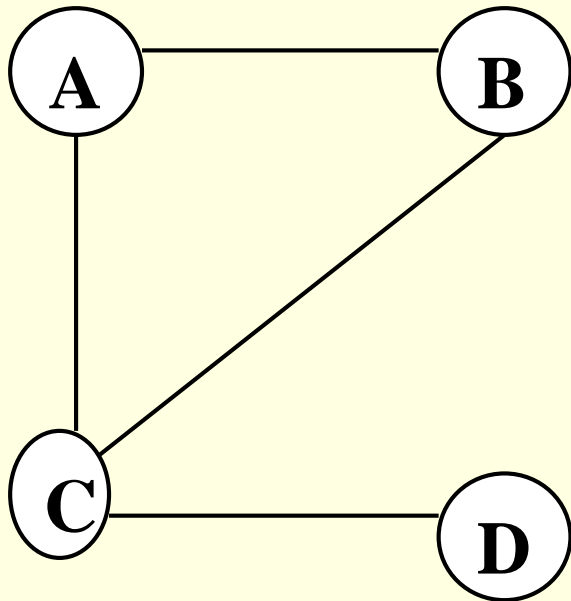
Outdeg(A)=2

IF Indeg(N)=0 & Outdeg(N)>0, Then N is **Source**

IF Outdeg(N)=0 & Indeg(N)>0, Then N is **Sink**

Degree of Directed and undirected graphs

Graph3



Degree (deg): No. of edges Connected to a Node

Examples: In Graph3

Deg(A)=2

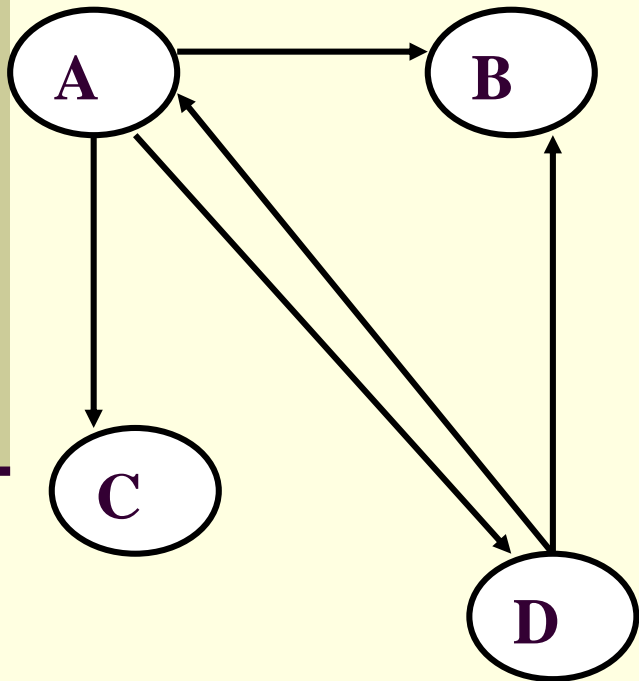
Deg(B)=2

Deg(C)=3

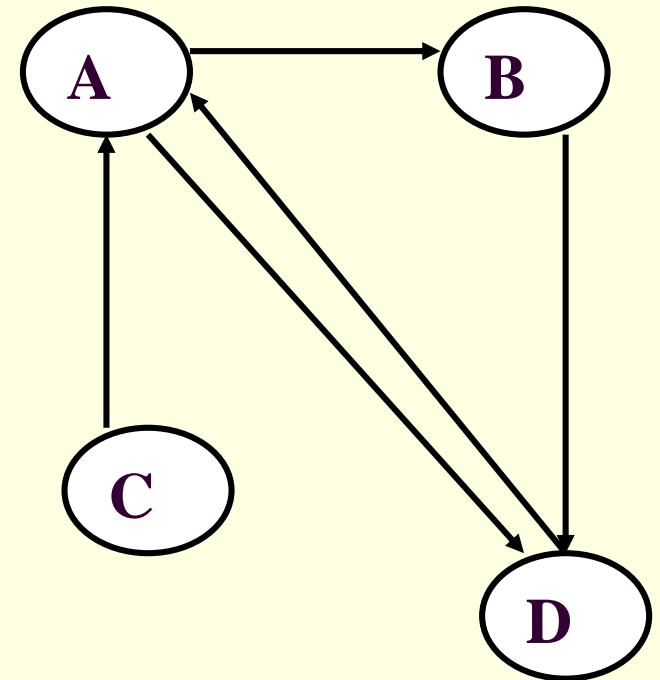
Deg(D)=1

Directed and undirected graphs

Graph2



Graph3



These are two different graphs

More definitions : Path

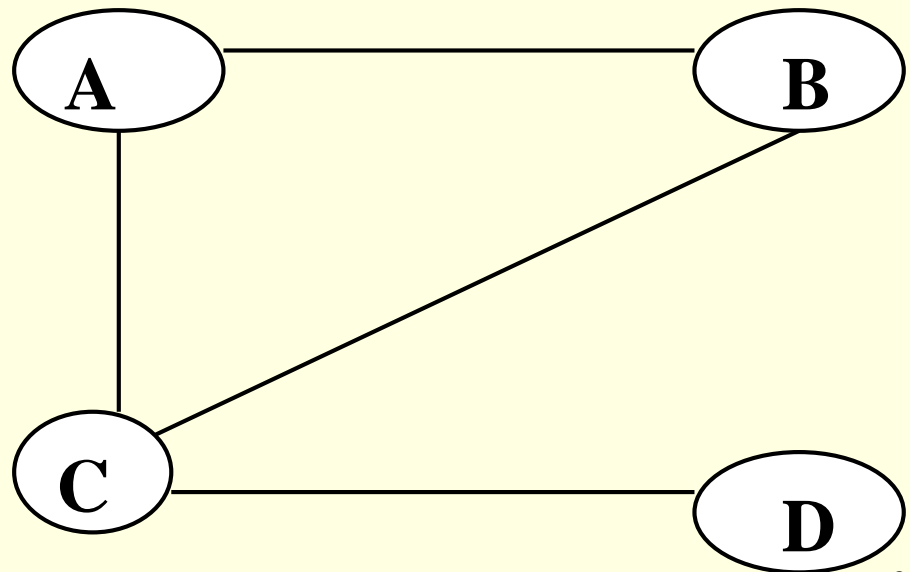
A list of vertices in which successive vertices are connected by edges

A B C

B A C D

A B C A B C A B C D

B A B A C



More definitions : Simple Path

No vertex is repeated.

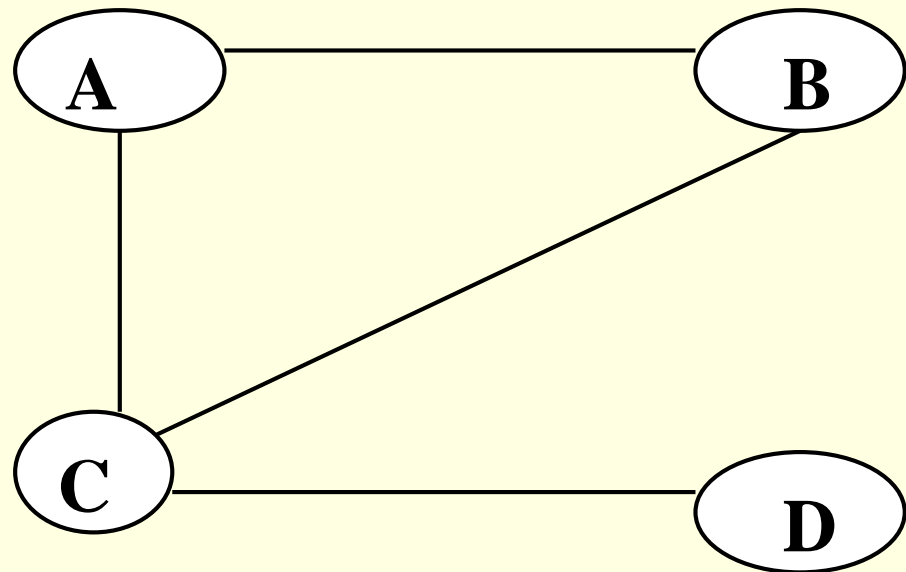
A B C D

D C A

D C B

A B

A B C



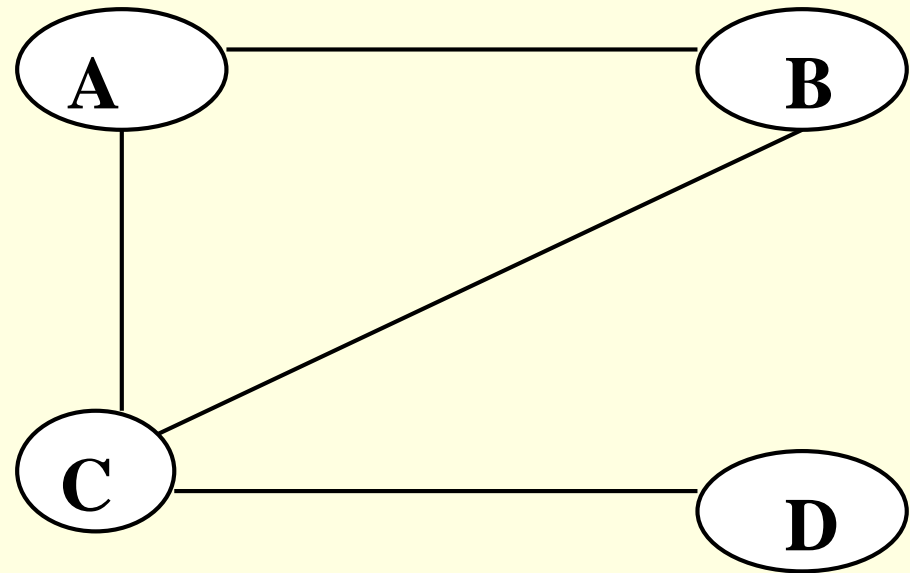
More definitions : Cycle

Simple path with distinct edges, except that the first vertex is equal to the last

A B C A

B A C B

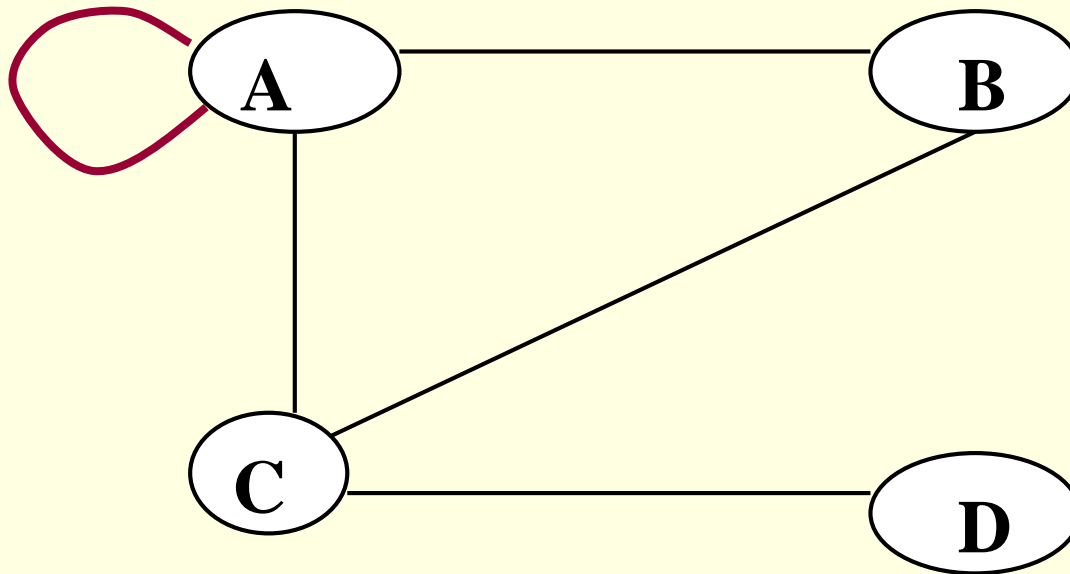
C B A C



A graph without cycles is called **acyclic graph**.

More definitions : Loop

An edge that connects the vertex with itself

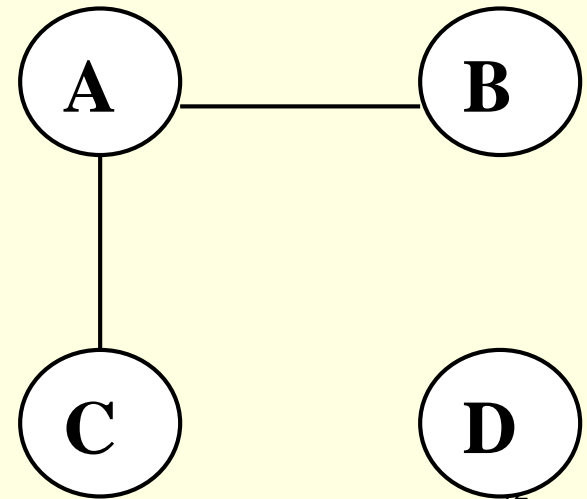
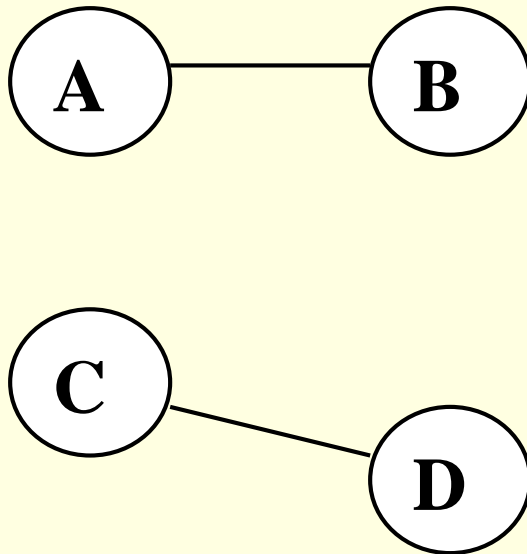


Connected and Disconnected graphs

Connected graph: There is a path between each two vertices

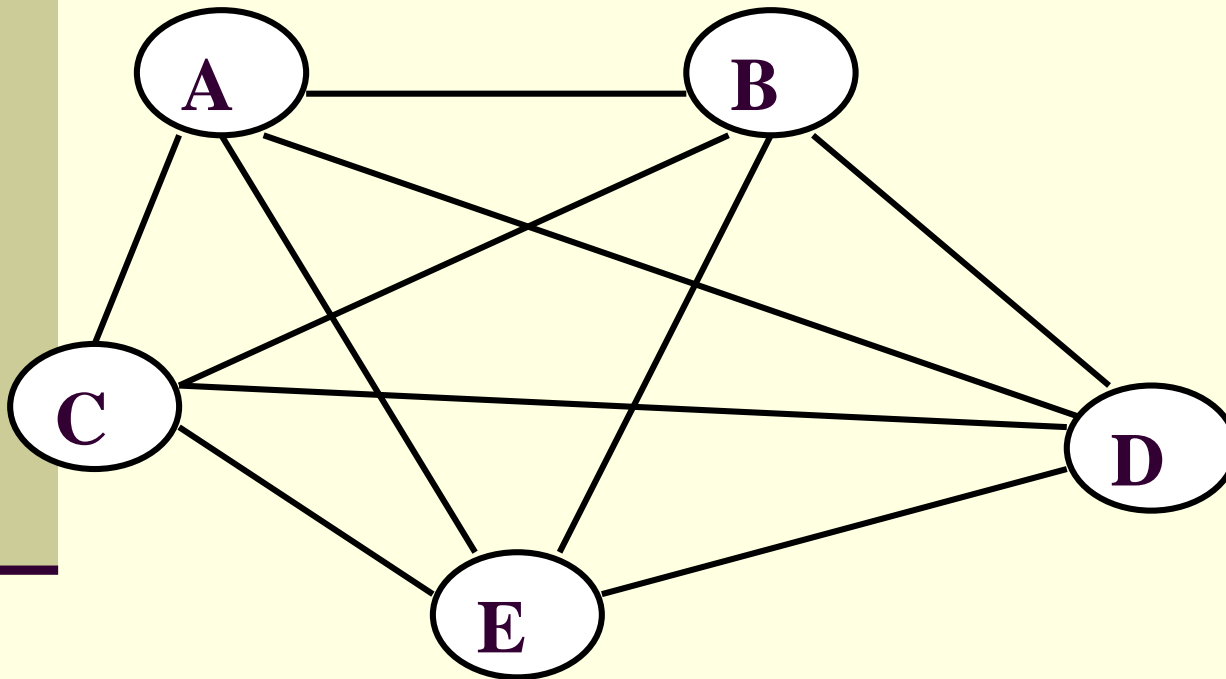
Disconnected graph : There are at least two vertices not connected by a path.

Examples of disconnected graphs:



Complete graphs

Graphs with all edges present – each vertex is connected to all other vertices



A complete graph

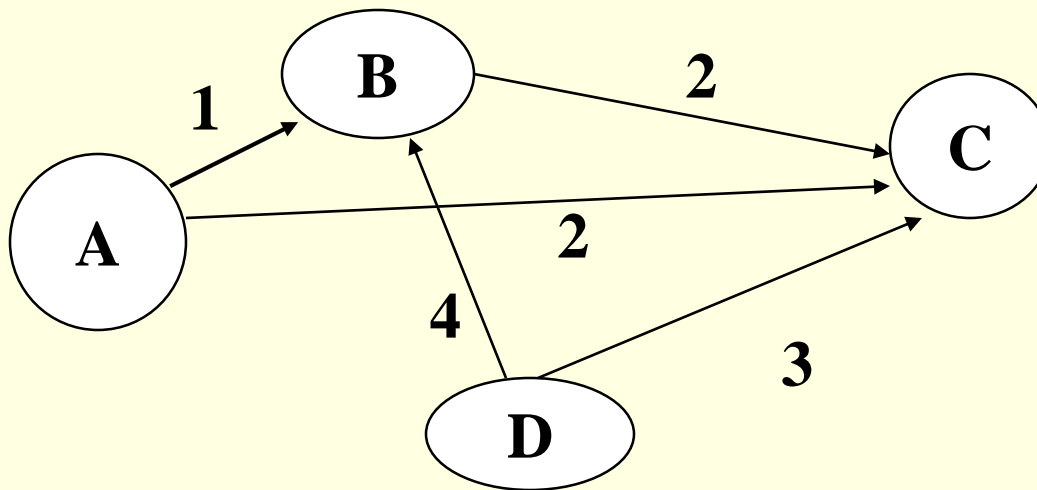
Dense graphs:
relatively few of
the possible
edges are
missing

Sparse graphs:
relatively few of
the possible
edges are
present

Weighted graphs and Networks

Weighted graphs — weights are assigned to each edge (e.g. road map)

Networks: directed weighted graphs (some theories allow networks to be undirected)



Graph Representation

- Adjacency matrix
- Adjacency lists

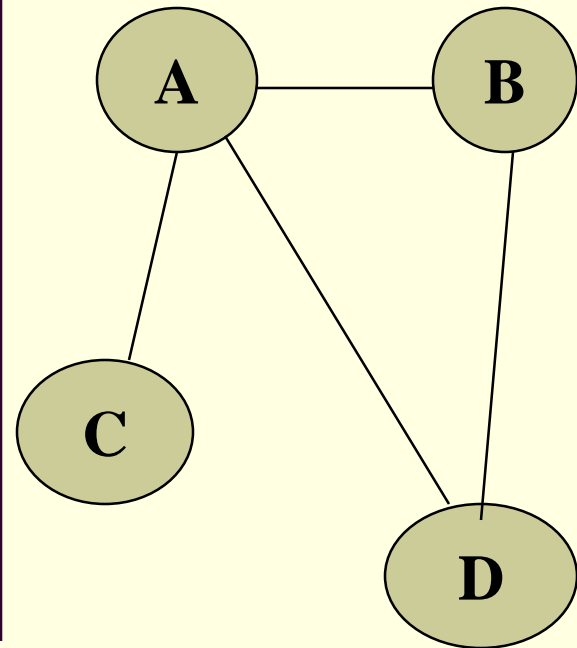
Adjacency matrix – undirected graphs

Vertices: A,B,C,D

Edges: AC, AB, AD, BD

The matrix is symmetrical

	A	B	C	D
A	0	1	1	1
B	1	0	0	1
C	1	0	0	1
D	1	1	0	0

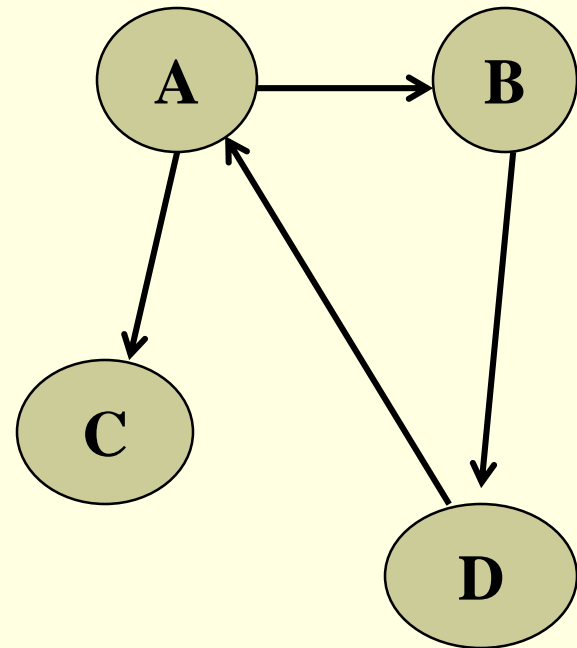


Adjacency matrix – directed graphs

Vertices: A,B,C,D

Edges: AC, AB, BD, DA

	A	B	C	D
A	0	1	1	0
B	0	0	0	1
C	0	0	0	0
D	1	0	0	0



Adjacency lists – undirected graphs

Vertices: A,B,C,D

Edges: AC, AB, AD, BD

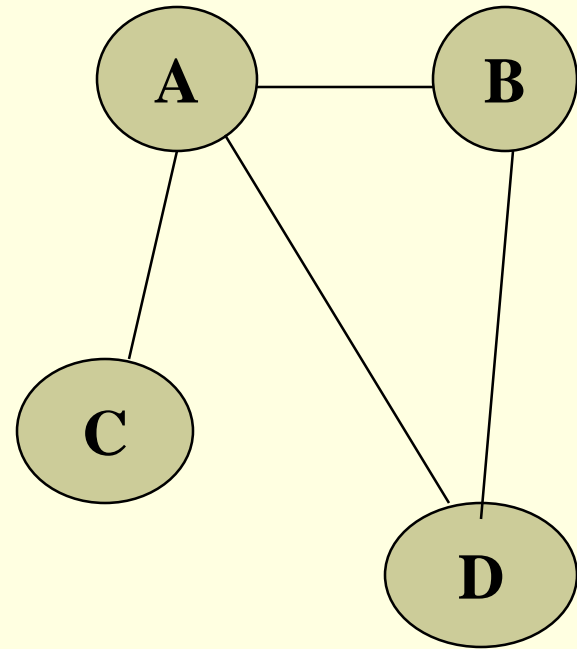
Heads lists

A B C D

B A D

C A

D A B



Adjacency lists – directed graphs

Vertices: A,B,C,D

Edges: AC, AB, BD, DA

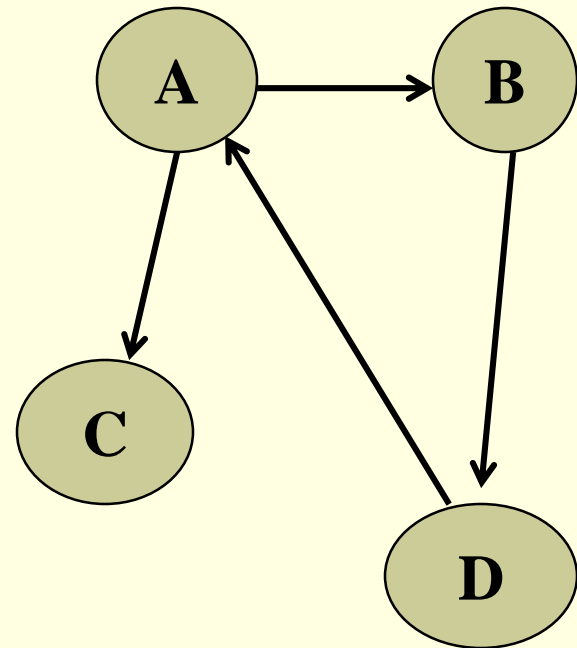
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A	B C
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B	D
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C	=
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D	A
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Graph Traversal

- Breadth First Search BFS (uses Queue)
- Depth First Search DFS (uses Stack)

BFS – Basic Idea

Given a graph with N vertices and a selected vertex A :

for ($i = 1$;

there are unvisited vertices ; $i++$)

Visit all unvisited vertices at distance i

(i is the length of the shortest path between **A** and currently processed vertices)

Queue-based implementation

BFS – Algorithm

BFS algorithm

1. Store source vertex **S** in a **queue** and mark as processed
2. **while** queue is not empty
 Read vertex **v** from the queue
 for all neighbors **w**:
 If **w** is not processed
 Mark as processed
 Append in the queue
 Record the parent of **w** to be **v** (necessary only if we need the shortest path tree)

Breadth-first traversal: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 5

1: starting node

2, 3, 4 : adjacent to 1

(at distance 1 from node 1)

6 : unvisited adjacent to node 2.

5 : unvisited, adjacent to node 3

Example

Adjacency lists

1: 2, 3, 4

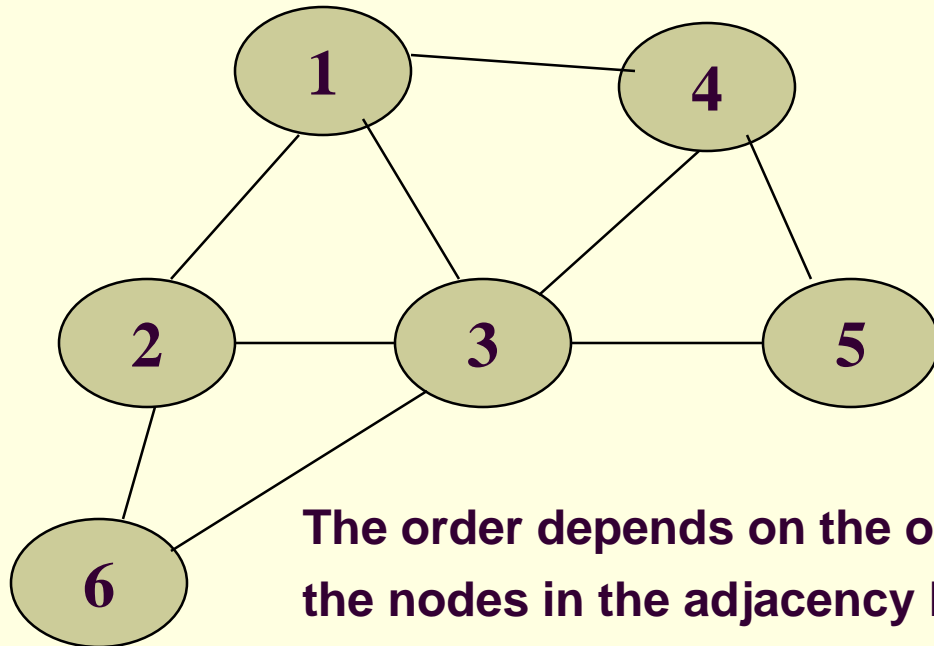
2: 1, 3, 6

3: 1, 2, 4, 5, 6

4: 1, 3, 5

5: 3, 4

6: 2, 3



The order depends on the order of the nodes in the adjacency lists