

# Introduction to Graph Theory

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## Section 1

### Definitions and terminology

# What is a graph?

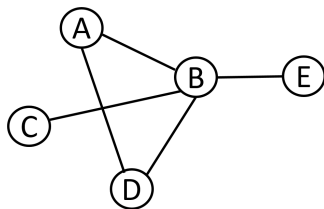
A graph is a set of **nodes**(points) which are connected by **edges**(links)

Examples:

**Nodes:** Cities, **Edges:** Roads

**Nodes:** People, **Edges:** Connections

**Nodes:** Countries, **Edges:** Borders



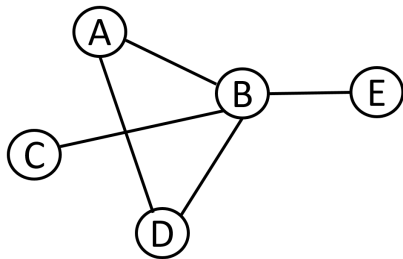
The set of nodes:  $N = \{A, B, C, D, E\}$

The set of edges:  $E = \{\{A, B\}, \{A, D\}, \{B, C\}, \{B, D\}, \{B, E\}\}$

The graph:  $G = (N, E)$

# Two types of graphs

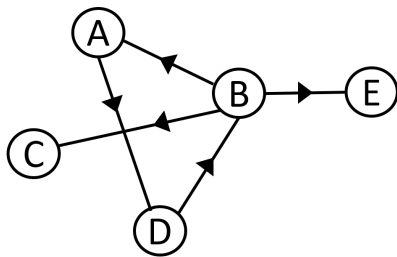
**Undirected Graph** Edges are not directed (two ways roads, facebook friendships)



No order in the edges, any order is accepted:

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**Directed Graph** Edges are directed (one way roads, Instagram follow)



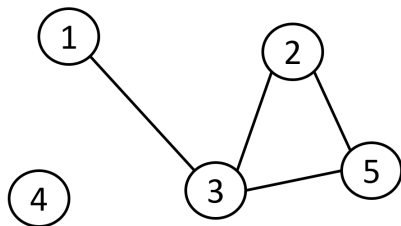
The order is important, we always write: (start,end)

$$E = \{(B, A), (A, D), (B, C), (D, B), (B, E)\}$$

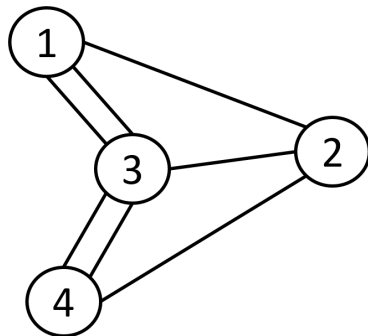
# Graphs Vocabulary

- **Ordre of a graph:**  $|N|$  It is the number of nodes in a graph.
- **Size of a graph:**  $|E|$  It is the number of edges in a graph.

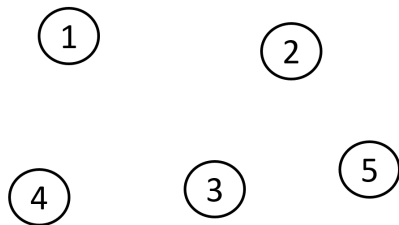
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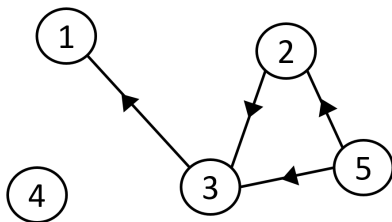


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