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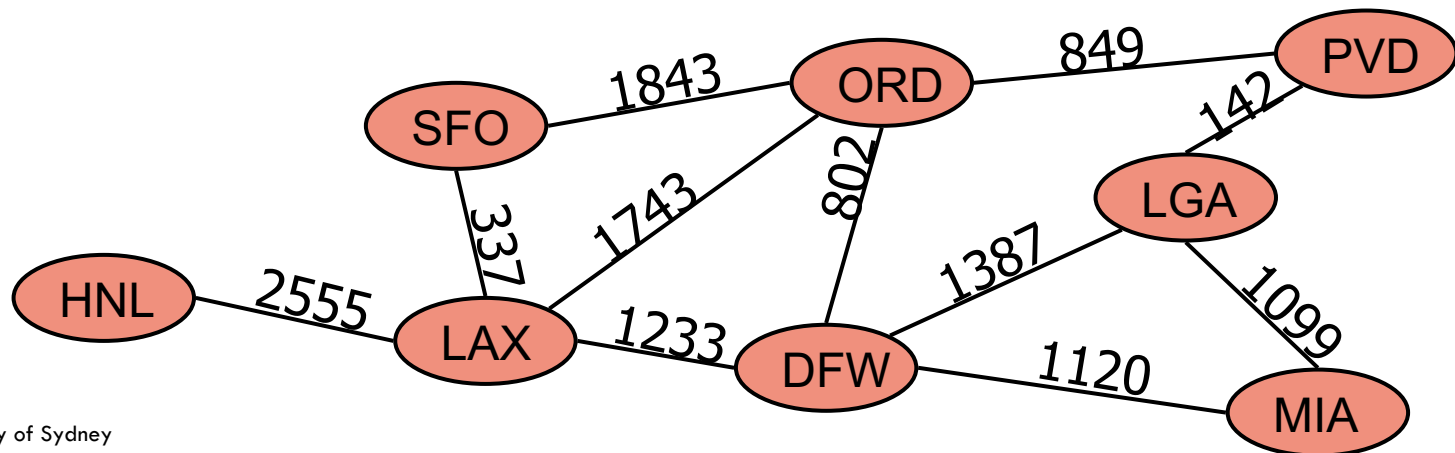
Graphs

A graph \mathbf{G} is a pair (\mathbf{V}, \mathbf{E}) , where

- \mathbf{V} is a set of nodes, called **vertices**
- \mathbf{E} is a collection of pairs of vertices, called **edges**

Example:

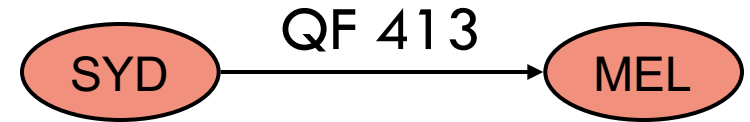
- A vertex represents an airport and stores the three-letter airport code
- An edge represents a flight route between two airports and stores the mileage of the route



Edge Types

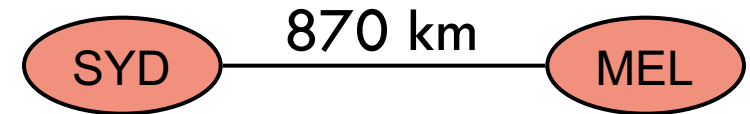
Directed edge

- ordered pair of vertices (u, v)
- u is the origin/tail
- v is the destination/head
- e.g., a flight



Undirected edge

- unordered pair of vertices (u, v)
- e.g., a two-way road



Applications

Electronic circuits

- Printed circuit board
- Integrated circuit

Transportation networks

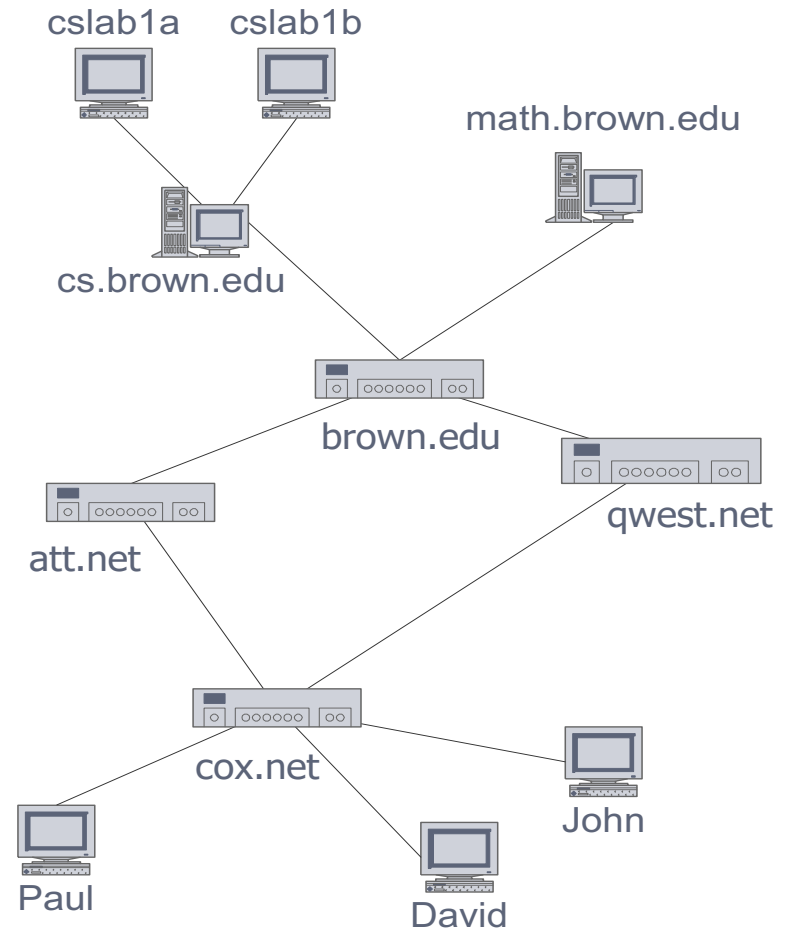
- Highway network
- Flight network

Computer networks

- Internet
- Web

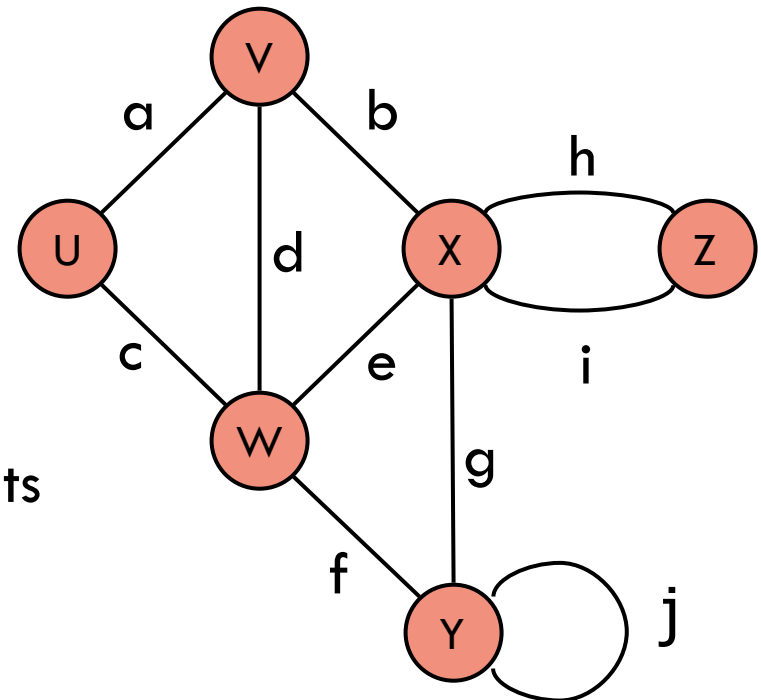
Modeling

- Entity-relationship diagram
- Gantt precedence constraints



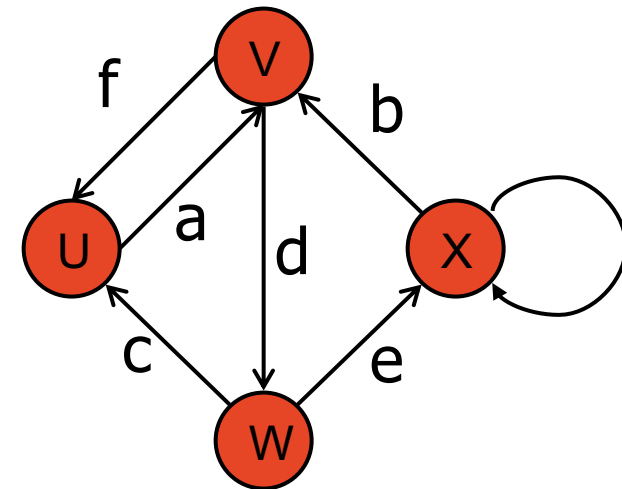
Terminology (Undirected graphs)

- Edges connect **endpoints**
e.g., W and Y for edge f
- Edges are **incident** on endpoints
e.g., a, d, and b are incident on V
- **Adjacent** vertices are connected
e.g., U and V are adjacent
- **Degree** is # of edges on a vertex
e.g., X has degree 5
- **Parallel edges** share same endpoints
e.g., h and i are parallel
- **Self-loop** have only one endpoint
e.g., j is a self-loop
- **Simple** graphs have no parallel or self-loops



Terminology (Directed graphs)

- Edges go from **tail** to **head**
e.g., W is the tail of c and U its head
- **Out-degree** is # of edges out of a vertex
e.g., W has out-degree 2
- **In-degree** is # of edges into a vertex
e.g., W has in-degree 1
- **Parallel edges** share tail and head
e.g., no parallel edge on the right
- **Self-loop** have same head and tail
e.g., X has a self-loop
- **Simple** directed graphs have no parallel or self-loops, but are allowed to have anti-parallel loops like f and a



Terminology

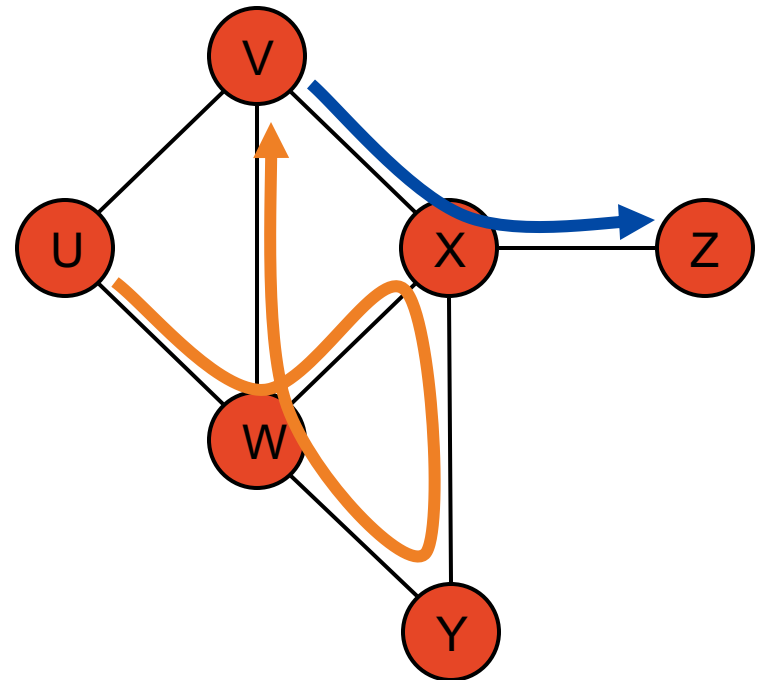
A **path** is a sequence of vertices such that every pair of consecutive vertices is connected by an edge.

A simple path is one where all vertices are distinct

Examples

- (V, X, Z) is a simple path
- (U, W, X, Y, W, V) is a path that is not simple

A (simple) path from s to t is also called an s - t path.



Terminology

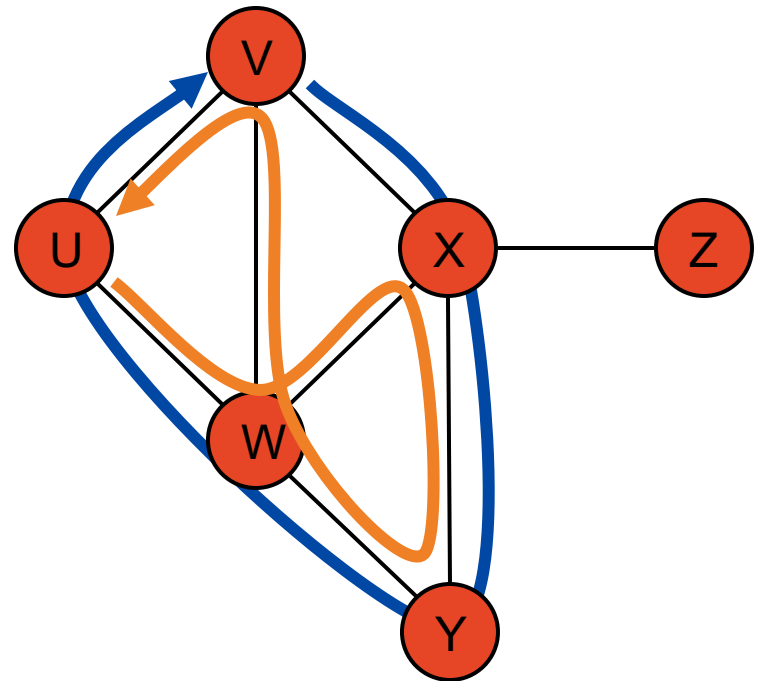
A **cycle** is defined by a path that starts and ends at the same vertex

A **simple cycle** is one where all vertices are distinct

Examples

- (V, X, Y, W, U, V) is a simple cycle
- (U, W, X, Y, W, V, U) is a cycle that is not simple

An **acyclic graph** has no cycles

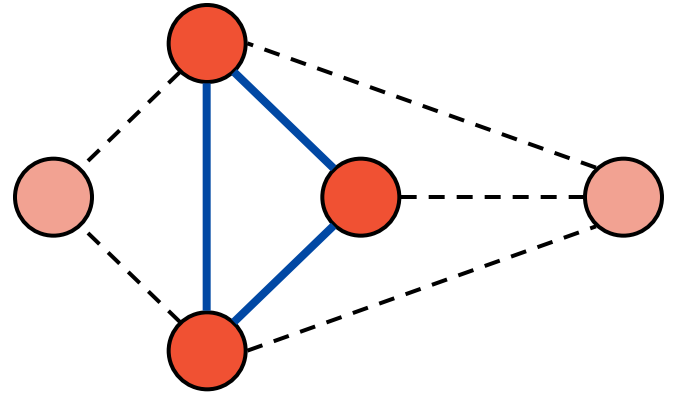


Subgraphs

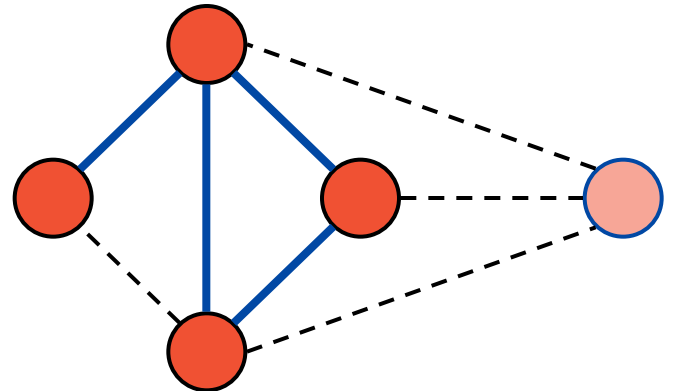
Let $G=(V, E)$ be a graph. We say $S=(U, F)$ is a subgraph of G if $U \subseteq V$ and $F \subseteq E$

A subset $U \subseteq V$ induces a graph $G[U] = (U, E[U])$ where $E[U]$ are the edges in E with endpoints in U

A subset $F \subseteq E$ induces a graph $G[F] = (V[F], F)$ where $V[F]$ are the endpoints of edges in F



Subgraph induced by red vertices

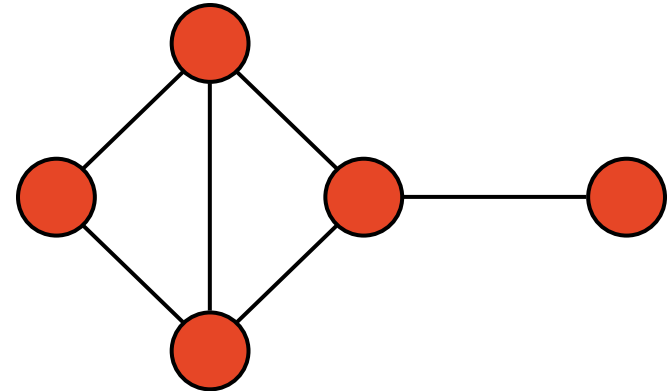


Subgraph induced by blue edges

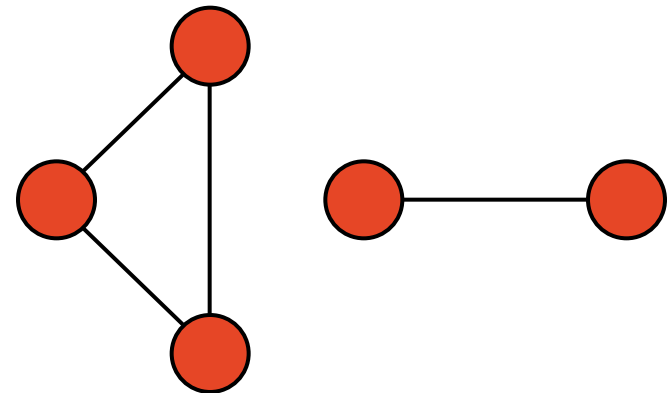
Connectivity

A graph $G=(V, E)$ is connected if there is a path between every pair of vertices in V

A connected component of a graph G is a maximal connected subgraph of G



Connected graph



Graph with two connected components

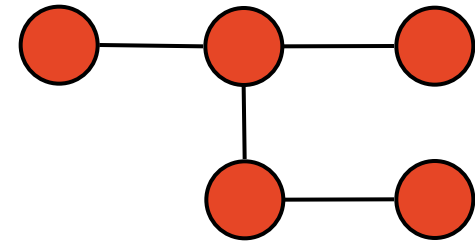
Trees and Forests

An unrooted tree T is a graph such that

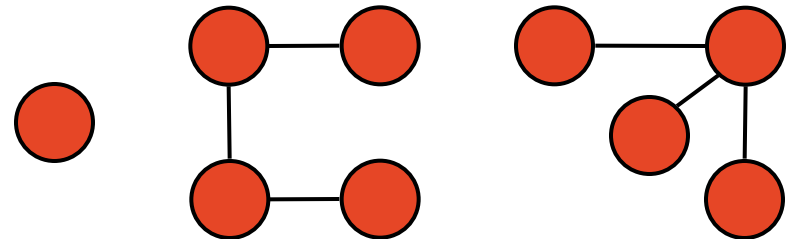
- T is connected
- T has no cycles

A forest is a graph without cycles. In other words, its connected components are trees

Fact: Every tree on n vertices has $n-1$ edges



Tree



Forest

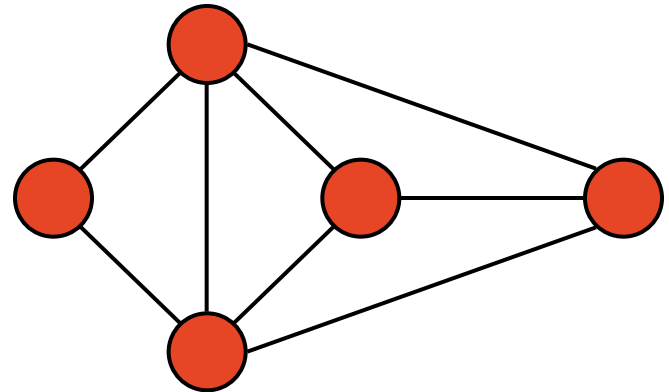
Spanning Trees and Forests

A spanning tree is a connected subgraph on the same vertex set

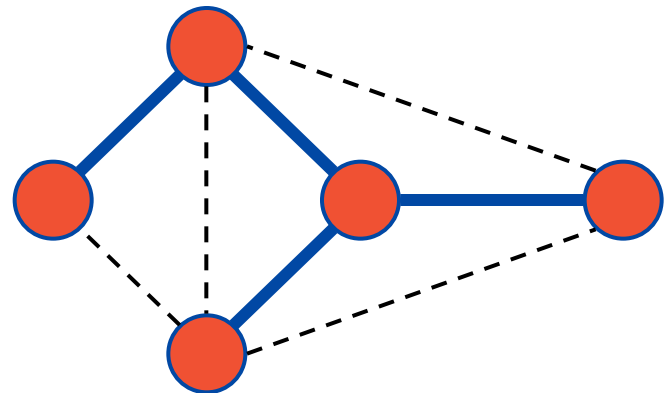
A spanning tree is not unique unless the graph is a tree

Spanning trees have applications to the design of communication networks

A spanning forest of a graph is a spanning subgraph that is a forest



Graph



Spanning tree

Properties

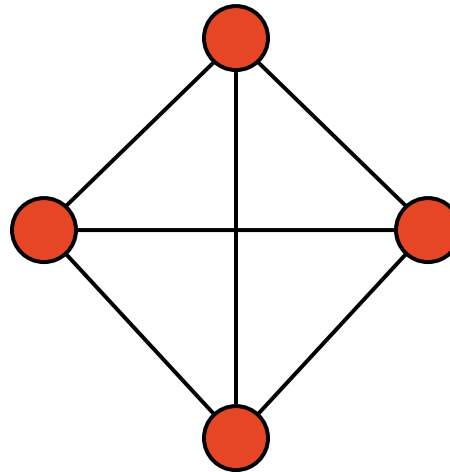
Fact: $\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v) = 2m$

Fact: In a simple undirected graph $m \leq n(n-1)/2$

Fact: In a simple directed graph $m \leq n(n-1)$

Notation

n	number of vertices
m	number of edges
Δ	maximum degree



Example: K_4

$$n = 4$$

$$m = 6$$

$$\max \deg = 3$$

Graph ADT

We model the abstraction as a combination of three data types: Vertex, Edge, and Graph.

A Vertex stores an associated object (e.g., an airport code) that is retrieved with a `getElement()` method.

An Edge stores an associated object (e.g., a flight number, travel distance) that is retrieved with a `getElement()` method.

Directed Graph ADT

Undirected
Graph
alternatives

degree(v)



incidentEdges(v)



numVertices(): Returns the number of vertices of the graph.

vertices(): Returns an iteration of all the vertices of the graph.

numEdges(): Returns the number of edges of the graph.

edges(): Returns an iteration of all the edges of the graph.

getEdge(u, v): Returns the edge from vertex u to vertex v , if one exists; otherwise return null. For an undirected graph, there is no difference between getEdge(u, v) and getEdge(v, u).

endVertices(e): Returns an array containing the two endpoint vertices of edge e . If the graph is directed, the first vertex is the origin and the second is the destination.

opposite(v, e): For edge e incident to vertex v , returns the other vertex of the edge; an error occurs if e is not incident to v .

outDegree(v): Returns the number of outgoing edges from vertex v .

inDegree(v): Returns the number of incoming edges to vertex v . For an undirected graph, this returns the same value as does outDegree(v).

outgoingEdges(v): Returns an iteration of all outgoing edges from vertex v .

incomingEdges(v): Returns an iteration of all incoming edges to vertex v . For an undirected graph, this returns the same collection as does outgoingEdges(v).

insertVertex(x): Creates and returns a new Vertex storing element x .

insertEdge(u, v, x): Creates and returns a new Edge from vertex u to vertex v , storing element x ; an error occurs if there already exists an edge from u to v .

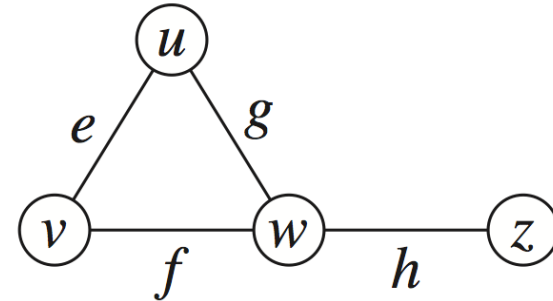
removeVertex(v): Removes vertex v and all its incident edges from the graph.

removeEdge(e): Removes edge e from the graph.

Edge List Structure

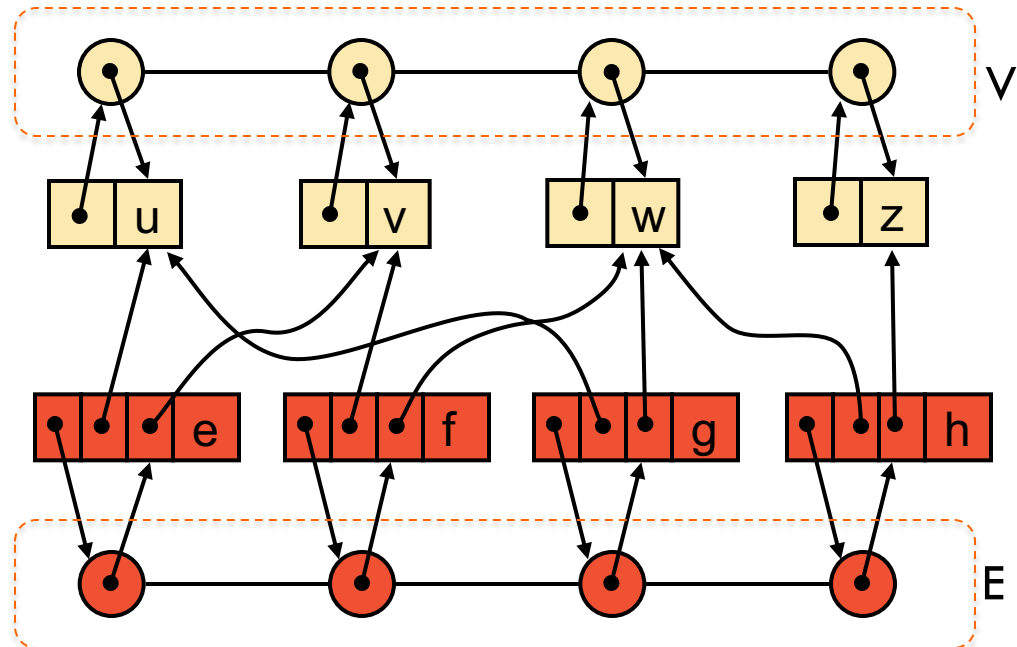
Vertex sequence holds

- sequence of vertices
- vertex objects keeps track of its position in the sequence



Edge sequence

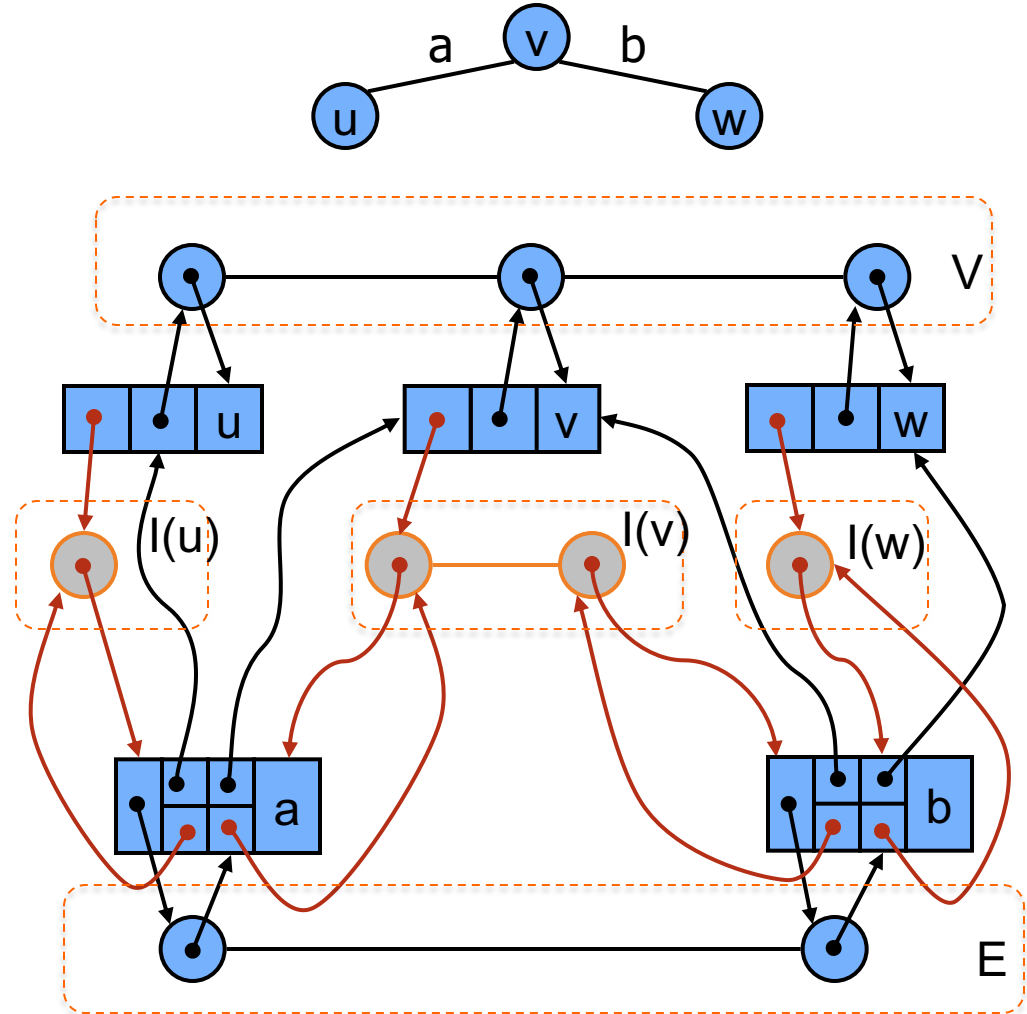
- sequence edges
- edge object keeps track of its position in the sequence
- Edge object points to the two vertices it connects



Adjacency List

Additionally each vertex keeps a sequence of edges incident on it

Edge objects keep reference to their position in the incidence sequence of its endpoints

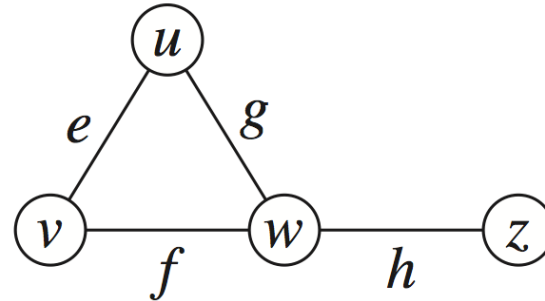


Adjacency Matrix Structure

Vertex array induces an index from 0 to $n-1$ for each vertex

2D-array adjacency matrix

- Reference to edge object for adjacent vertices
- Null for nonadjacent vertices



		0	1	2	3		
u	\longrightarrow	0		e	g		
v	\longrightarrow	1		e		f	
w	\longrightarrow	2		g	f		h
z	\longrightarrow	3				h	

Asymptotic performance

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ n vertices, m edges ▪ no parallel edges ▪ no self-loops 	Edge List	Adjacency List	Adjacency Matrix
Space	$O(n + m)$	$O(n + m)$	$O(n^2)$
<code>incidentEdges(v)</code>	$O(m)$	$O(\deg(v))$	$O(n)$
<code>getEdge(u, v)</code>	$O(m)$	$O(\min(\deg(u), \deg(v)))$	$O(1)$
<code>insertVertex(x)</code>	$O(1)$	$O(1)$	$O(n^2)$
<code>insertEdge(u, v, x)</code>	$O(1)$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
<code>removeVertex(v)</code>	$O(m)$	$O(\deg(v))$	$O(n^2)$
<code>removeEdge(e)</code>	$O(1)$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$

Graph traversals

A fundamental kind of algorithmic operation that we might wish to perform on a graph is **traversing the edges and the vertices** of that graph.

A **traversal** is a systematic procedure for exploring a graph by examining all of its vertices and edges.

For example, a **web crawler**, which is the data collecting part of a search engine, must explore a graph of hypertext documents by examining its vertices, which are the documents, and its edges, which are the hyperlinks between documents.

A traversal is efficient if it visits all the vertices and edges in linear time: $O(n+m)$ where n =number of vertices, m =number of edges.

Graph traversal techniques

A systematic and structured way of visiting all the vertices and all the edges of a graph

Two main strategies:

- Depth first search
- Breadth first search

Given adjacency list representation of the graph with n vertices and m edges both traversals run in $O(n + m)$ time

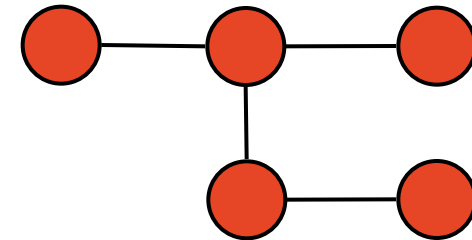
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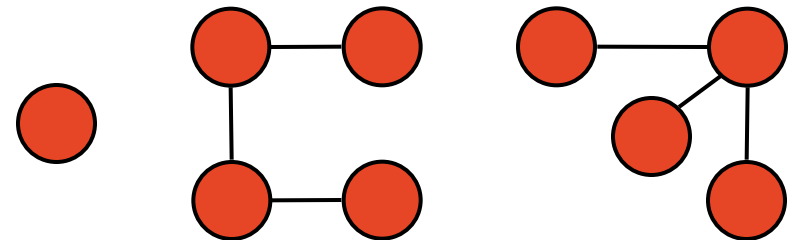
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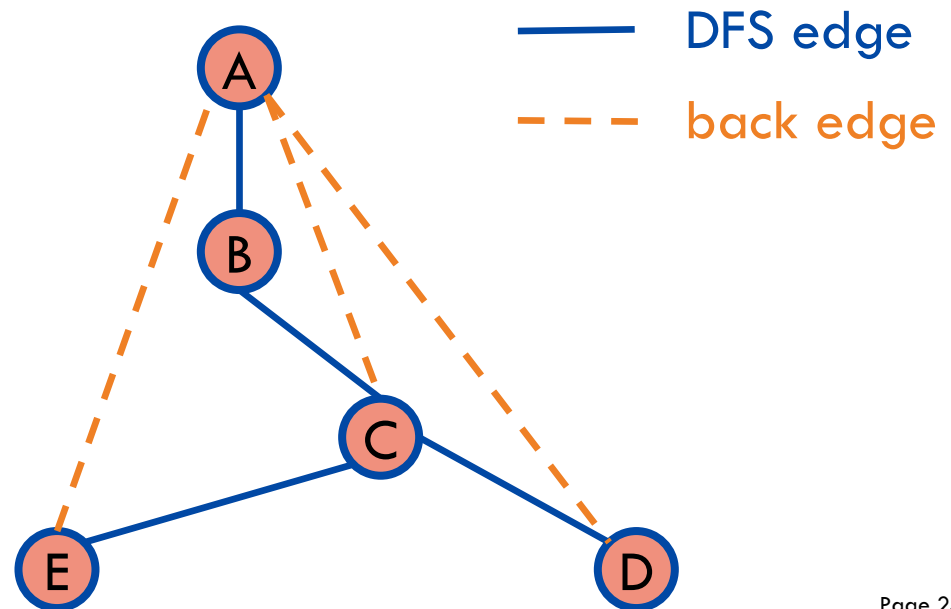
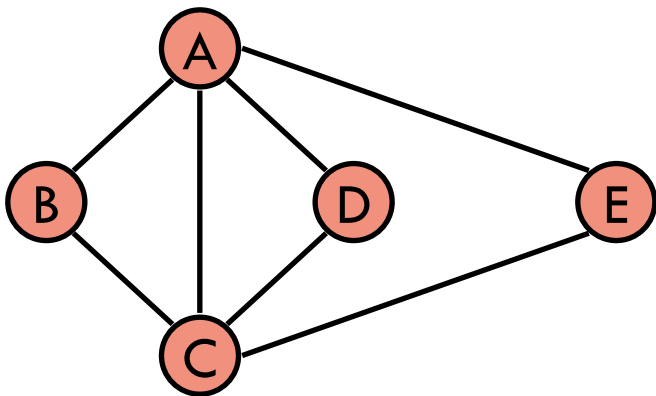


Forest

Depth-First Search (DFS) for undirected graphs

This strategy tries to follow outgoing edges leading to yet unvisited vertices whenever possible, and backtrack if “stuck”

If an edge is used to discover a new vertex, we call it a DFS edge, otherwise we call it a back edge



DFS pseudocode

```
def DFS(G):
```

```
    # set things up for DFS
    for u in G.vertices() do
        visited[u] ← False
        parent[u] ← None
```

```
    # visit vertices
    for u in G.vertices() do
        if not visited[u] then
            DFS_visit(u)
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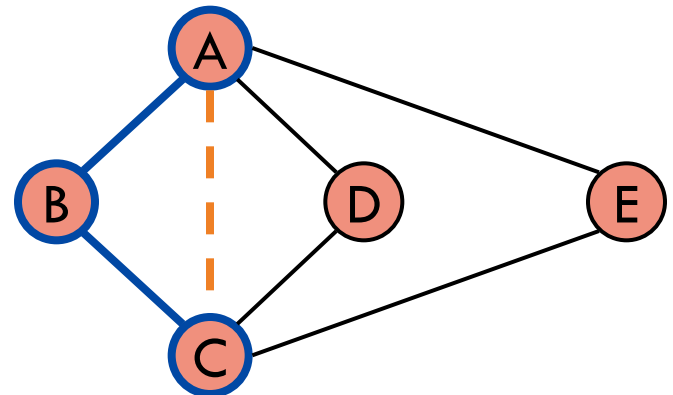
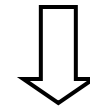
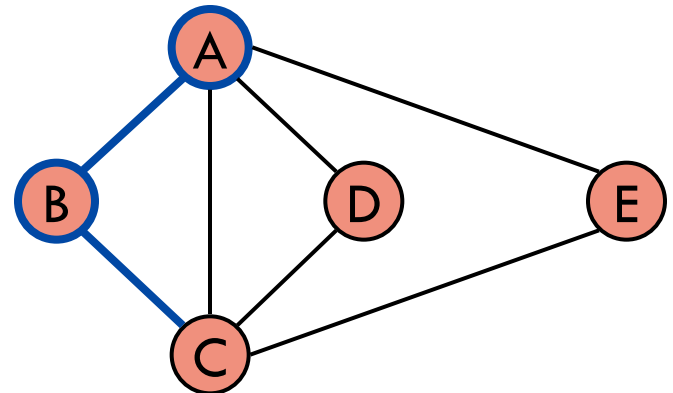
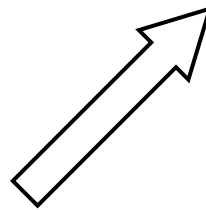
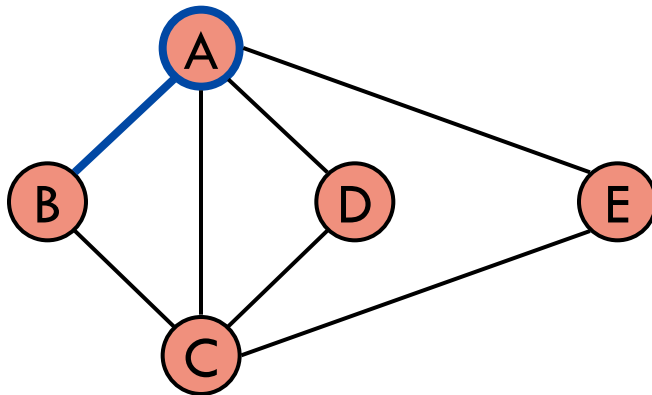
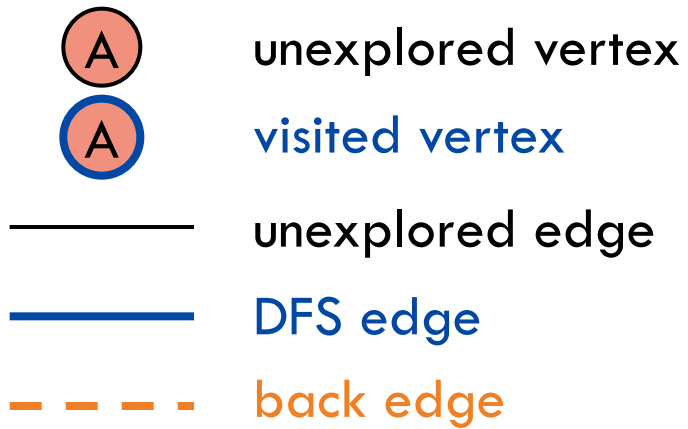
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    return parent
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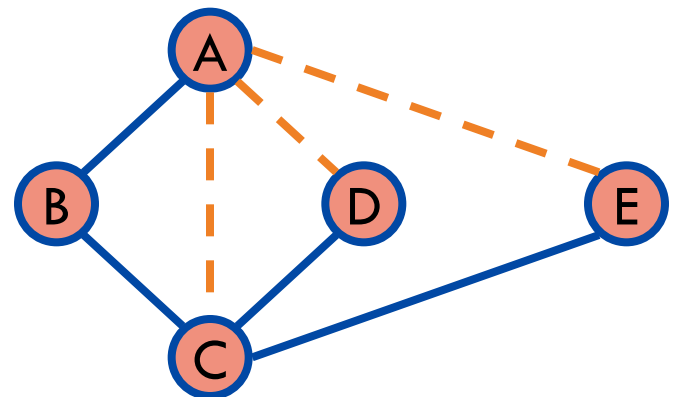
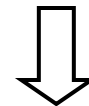
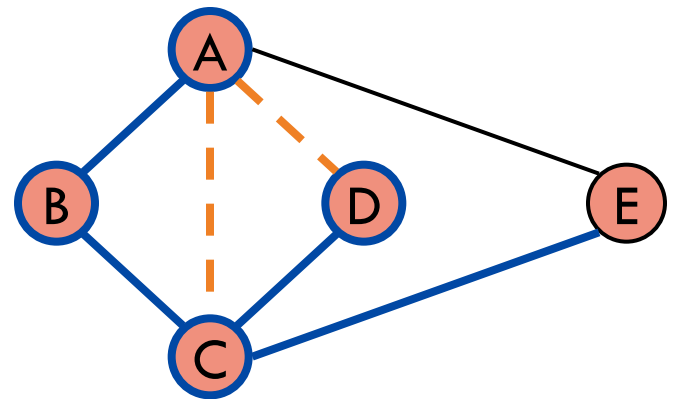
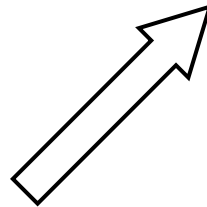
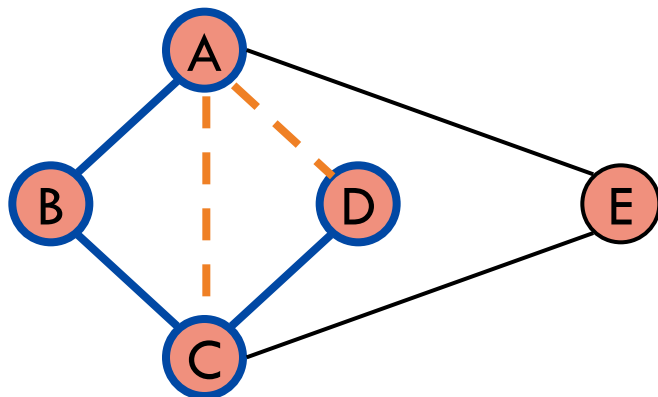
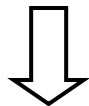
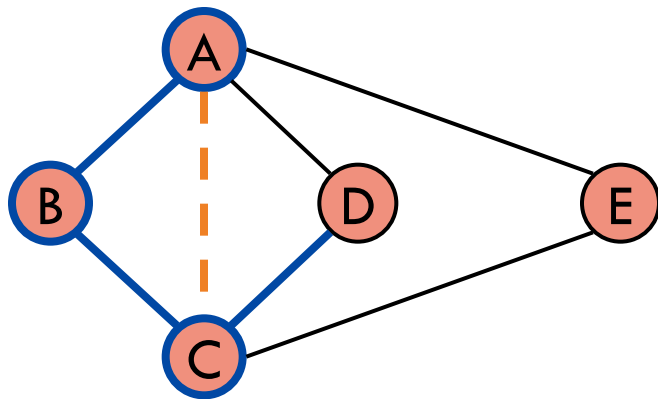
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    visited[u] ← True
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```
    # visit neighbors of u
    for v in G.incident(u) do
        if not visited[v] then
            parent[v] ← u
            DFS_visit(v)
```

Example



Example (cont.)



DFS main function performance

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```

Assuming adjacency list
representation

$O(n)$ time

$O(n)$ time not counting
work done in DFS_visit

DFS_visit performance

Assuming adjacency list representation

$O(\deg(u))$ time not counting work done in recursive calls to DFS_visit

Thus, overall time is

$$O(\sum_u \deg(u)) = O(m)$$

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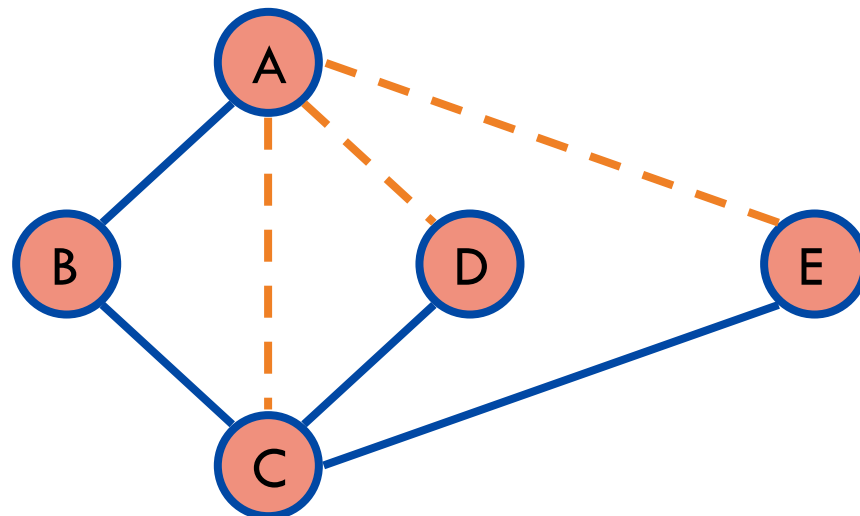
Properties of DFS

Let C_v be the connected component of v in our graph G

Fact: DFS_visit(v) visits all vertices in C_v

Fact: Edges $\{ (u, \text{parent}[u]): u \text{ in } C_v \}$ form a spanning tree of C_v

Fact: Edges $\{ (u, \text{parent}[u]): u \text{ in } V \}$ form a spanning forest of G



DFS Applications

DFS can be used to solve other graph problems in $O(n + m)$ time:

- Find a path between two given vertices, if any
- Find a cycle in the graph
- Test whether a graph is connected
- Compute connected components of a graph
- Compute spanning tree of a graph (if connected)

And is the building block of more sophisticated algorithms:

- testing bi-connectivity
- finding cut edges
- finding cut vertices

Identifying cut edges

In a connected graph $G=(V, E)$, we say that an edge (u, v) in E is a cut edge if $(V, E \setminus \{(u, v)\})$ is not connected

The cut edge problem is to identify all cut edges

Trivial $O(m^2)$ time algorithm: For each edge (u,v) in E , remove (u,v) and check using DFS if G is still connected, put back (u,v)

Better $O(nm)$ time algorithm: Only test edges in a DFS tree of G

Identifying cut edges in $O(n+m)$ time

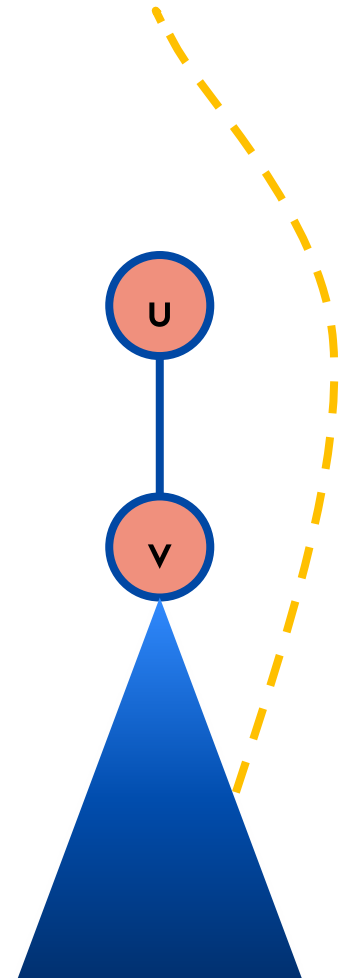
Compute a DFS tree of the input graph $G=(V, E)$

For every u in V , compute $\text{level}[u]$, its level in the DFS tree

For every vertex v compute the highest level that we can reach by taking DFS edges down the tree and then one back edge up. Call this $\text{down_and_up}[v]$

Fact: A DFS edge (u, v) where $u = \text{parent}[v]$ is not a cut edge if and only if $\text{down_and_up}[v] \leq \text{level}[u]$

Basis of an $O(n+m)$ time algorithm for finding cut edges

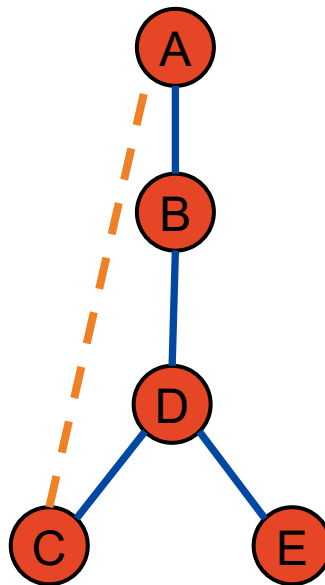
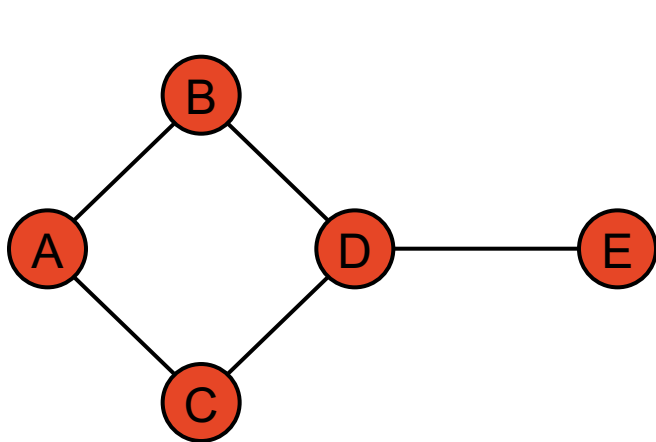


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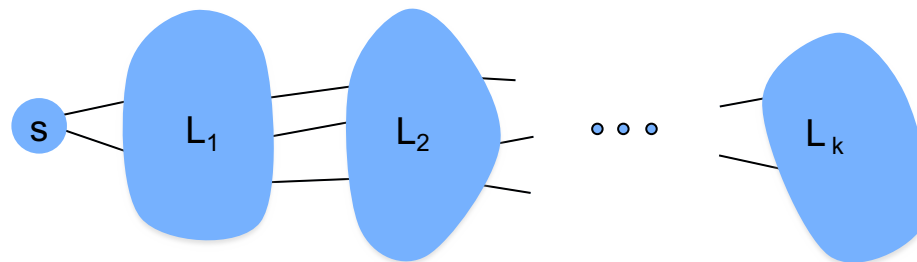


	level	d&u
A	0	0
B	1	0
C	3	0
D	2	0
E	3	3

Breadth-First Search (BFS)

This strategy tries to visit all vertices at distance k from a start vertex s before visiting vertices at distance $k + 1$:

- $L_0 = \{s\}$
- L_1 = vertices one hop away from s
- L_2 = vertices two hops away from s but no closer
- \vdots
- L_k = vertices k hops away from s but no closer

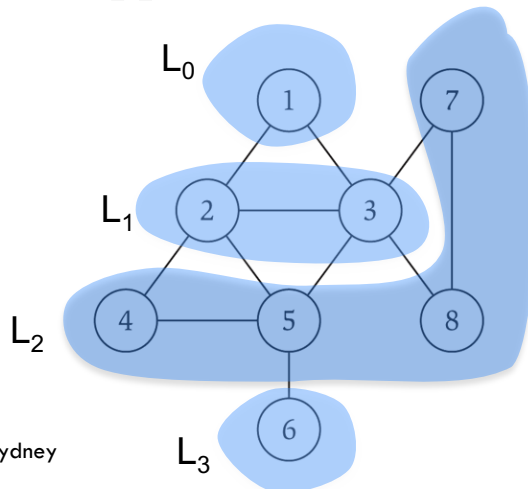


BFS

```
def BFS(G,s):
```

```
    # set things up for BFS
    for u in G.vertices() do
        seen[u] ← False
        parent[u] ← None
```

```
    seen[s] ← True
    layers ← []
    current ← [s]
    next ← []
```



```
    # process current layer
    while not current.is_empty() do
        layers.append(current)
        # iterate over current layer
        for u in current do
            for v in G.incident(u) do
                if not seen[v] then
                    next.append(v)
                    seen[v] ← True
                    parent[v] ← u
        # update current & next layers
        current ← next
        next ← []
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```
    return layers, parent
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Properties

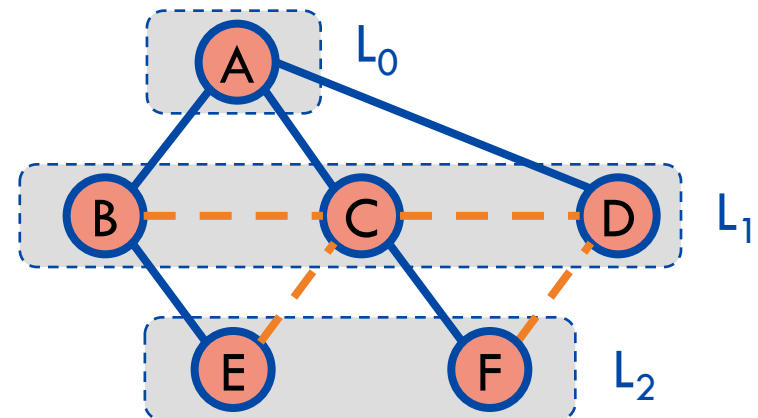
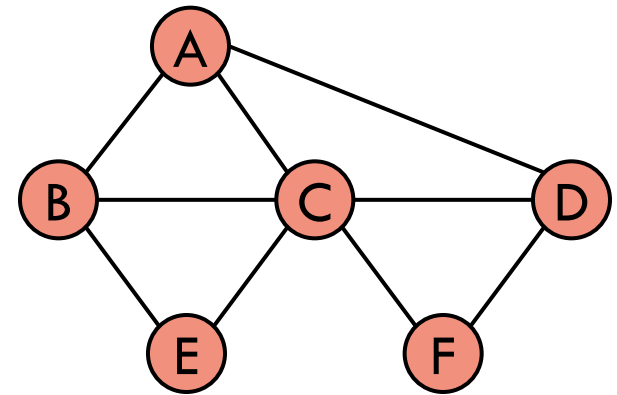
Let C_v be the connected component of v in our graph G

Fact: $\text{BFS}(G, s)$ visits all vertices in C_s

Fact: Edges $\{ (u, \text{parent}[u]): u \text{ in } C_s \}$ form a spanning tree T_s of C_s

Fact: For each v in L_i there is a path in T_s from s to v with i edges

Fact: For each v in L_i any path in G from s to v has at least i edges



BFS performance

```
def BFS(G,s):
```

```
    # set things up for BFS
    for u in G.vertices() do
        seen[u] ← False
        parent[u] ← None
```

```
    seen[s] ← True
    layers ← []
    current ← [s]
    next ← []
```

$O(n)$ time

$O(\sum_u \deg(u)) = O(m)$ time

```
    # process current layer
    while not current.is_empty() do
        layers.append(current)
        # iterate over current layer
        for u in current do
            for v in G.incident(u) do
                if not seen[v] then
                    next.append(v)
                    seen[v] ← True
                    parent[v] ← u
        # update curr and next layers
        current ← next
        next ← []

    return layers
```

BFS performance

Fact: Assuming adjacency list representation we can perform a BFS traversal of a graph with n vertices and m edges in $O(n+m)$ time

Fact: Assuming adjacency matrix representation we can perform a BFS traversal of a graph with n vertices and m edges in $O(n^2)$ time

The additional attributes about the vertices (seen and parent) can be associated directly via Vertex class or we can use an external map data structure

BFS Applications

BFS can be used to solve other graph problems in $O(n + m)$ time:

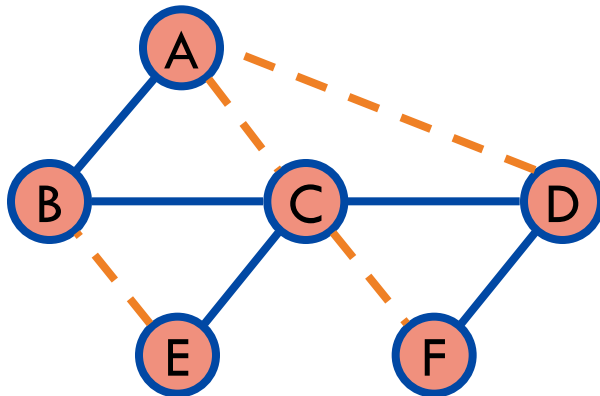
- Find a shortest path between two given vertices
- Find a cycle in the graph
- Test whether a graph is connected
- Compute a spanning tree of a graph (if connected)

And is the building block of more sophisticated algorithms:

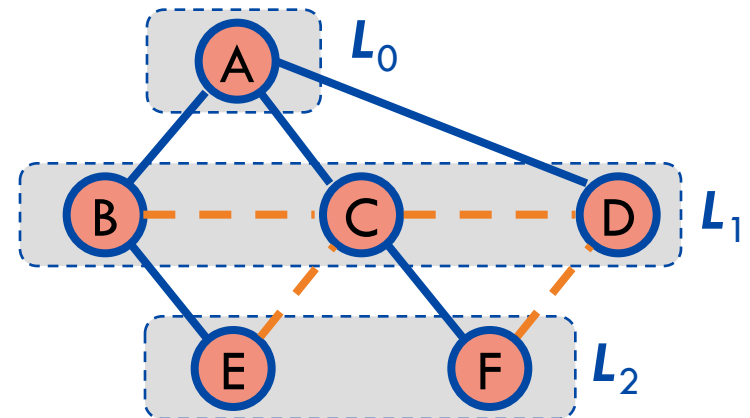
- Testing if graph is bipartite

DFS vs. BFS

Applications	DFS	BFS
Spanning forest, connected components, paths, cycles	✓	✓
Shortest paths		✓
Biconnected components	✓	



DFS



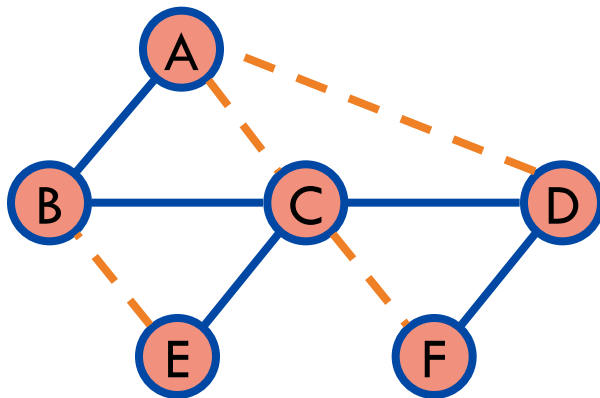
BFS

DFS vs. BFS (cont.)

Non-tree DFS edge (v, w)

w is an ancestor of v
in the DFS tree

Called back edges

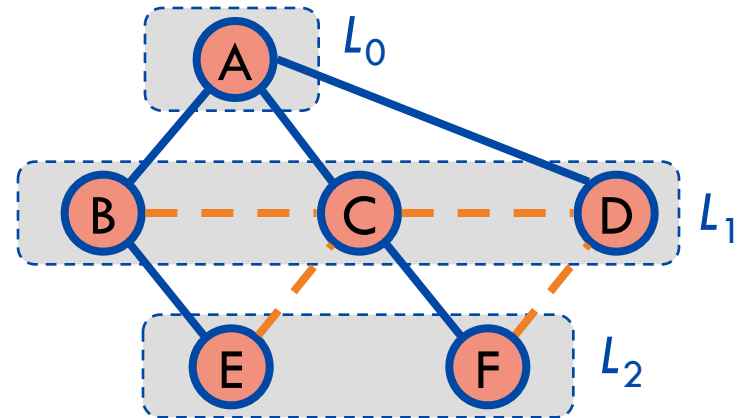


DFS

Non-tree BFS edge (v, w)

w is in the same level as v or
in the next level

Called cross edges



BFS

Directed Graphs

Both DFS and BFS can be adapted to run in directed graphs:
When visiting vertex u , iterate over edges out of u

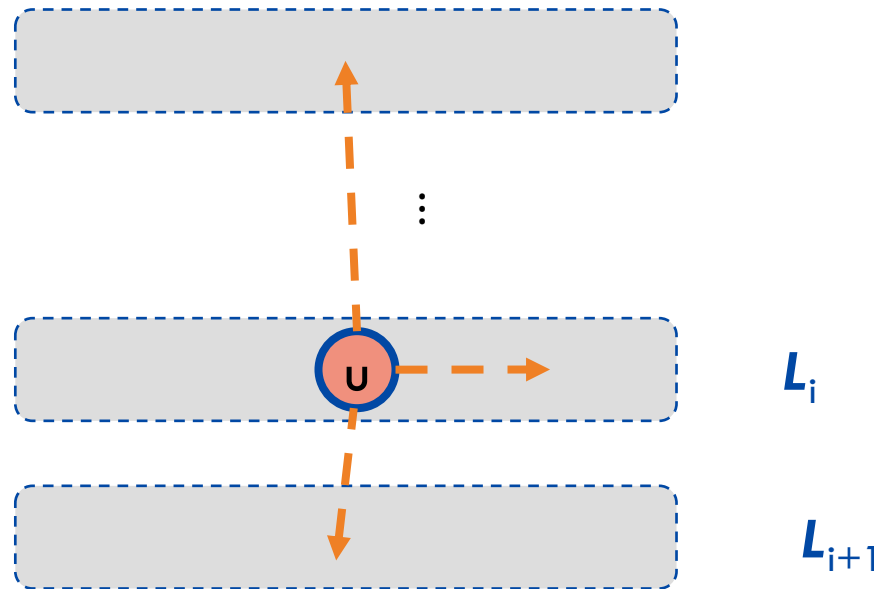
Both algorithm run in $O(n + m)$ time.

However, there are differences on the type of non-tree edges we can have.

BFS on Directed Graphs

Let (u, v) be a non-tree edge (i.e., we did not use the edge to discover v while visiting u)

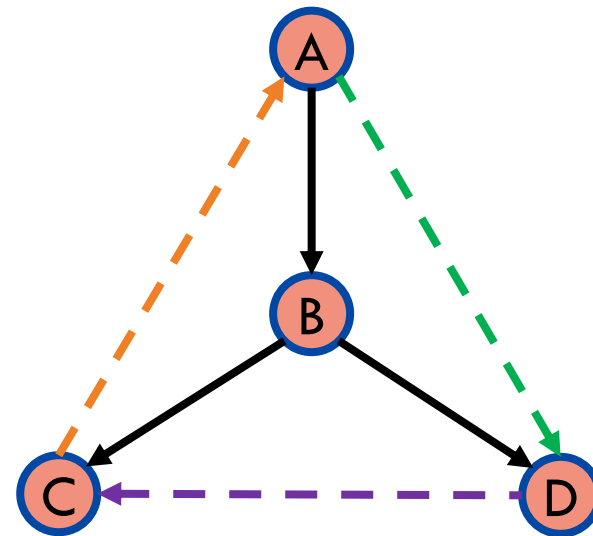
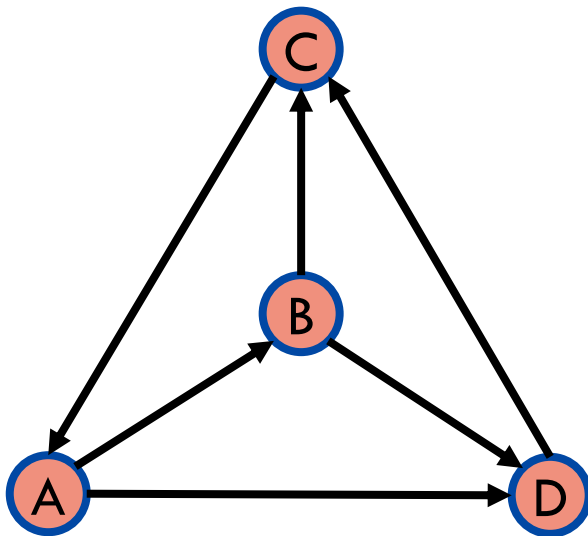
Fact: If u and v belong to layers L_i and L_{i+1} respectively, then $i \leq i+1$



DFS on Directed Graphs

Let (u, v) be a non-tree edge (i.e., we did not use the edge to discover v while visiting u)

Fact: The edge either goes up (**back**) or down the tree (**forward**) or side-ways to the left (**cross**)



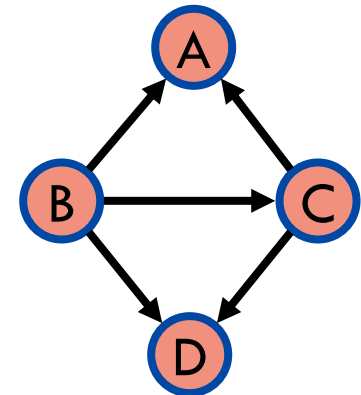
Topological Sort

Directed Acyclic Graphs (DAG) have no directed cycles

Every DAG can be topologically sorted: Vertices can be laid out from left to right such that all edges go left to right as well.

For example, consider the graph on the right.
It admits two topological sorts:

- [B, C, A, D]
- [B, C, D, A]



DFS based topological sort

```
def topo(G):
```

```
    run DFS on G
```

```
    for (u, v) in G.edges() do
```

```
        if (u, v) is a back edge then
```

```
            return "G is not acyclic"
```

```
    ans ← [ u for u in G.vertices()]
```

```
    sort ans in reverse order of DFS-visit call finish
```

```
    return ans
```

Correctness:

- Suppose **u** occurs after **v** in **ans** (i.e., **v**'s DFS call ends after **u**'s DFS call) and **(u, v)** in **E**.
- This implies that **(u, v)** is a back edge, contradicting that **G** is a DAG.



DFS based topological sort running time

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    return ans
```

To implement the algorithm efficiently, we can augment DFS-visit to perform the back edge check and build ans on the fly without increasing the time complexity of $O(n + m)$

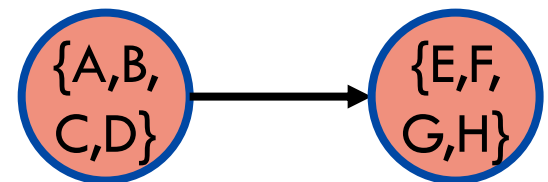
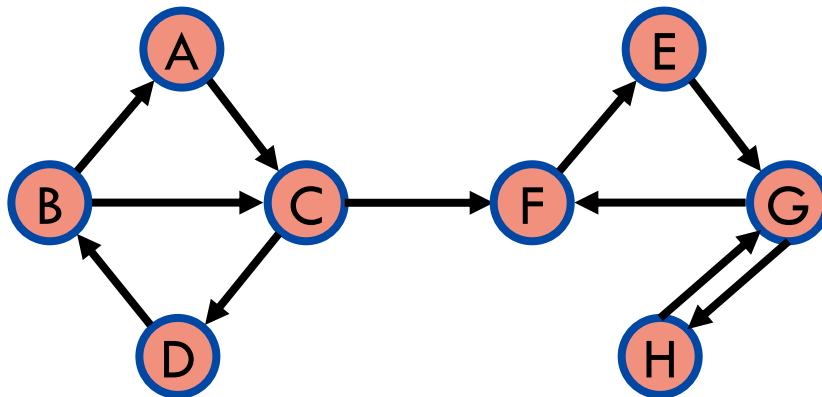
Strongly connected components

Let $G=(V, E)$ be a directed graph. A strongly connected component (SCC) of G is a subset C of vertices such that

- For any $u, v \in C$, there is a u - v path in G
- No superset of C has the above property

The SCC graph of G is $G^{SCC} = (V^{SCC}, E^{SCC})$ where

- $V^{SCC} = \{ C : C \text{ is a SCC of } G \}$
- $E^{SCC} = \{ (C, C') : \text{there is } u \in C \text{ and } v \in C' \text{ such that } (u, v) \in E \}$



The SCC problem

Given a directed graph G , compute G^{SCC} .

Notice that we only need to compute V^{SCC}

What is the trivial algorithm for this problem?

- Find one SCC
- Remove
- Iterate

The running time of the trivial algorithm is $O(n(m + n))$, where $O(m + n)$ is the time it takes to compute a single SCC

DFS-based algorithm for SCC

Time complexity:

- DFS takes in $O(n+m)$ time
- Building F takes $O(n+m)$ time
- “Reading” components from DFS forest takes $O(n)$ time

```
def SCC(G):
```

```
    d,parent ← DFS(G)
    F ← copy of G with reversed edges
    run DFS on F but process vertices in
        reverse order of DFS-visit call finish
    components ← []
    for tree T in DFS(F) forest:
        components.append(vertices in T)

    return components
```

DFS-based algorithm for SCC

Correctness (sketch):

- Let T_r be a tree in DFS(F) forest rooted at r and let C_r be the SCC that r belongs to. We aim to show that $T_r = C_r$.
- Suppose there is an edge (u, v) in G connecting two SCCs C and C' such that u in C and v in C' . Then $\text{finish}[C] > \text{finish}[C']$.
- Since we started from r with the highest finish time, there can be no edges from C_r to another SCC.
- It follows that C_r is the only SCC in T_r .

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