

# COMP2521 19T0

## Week 3, Tuesday: Graphic Content (I)!

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priority queues  
graph fundamentals

## Assignment 1: Textbuffer

Pitfalls and Pointers (I)

- Strings in C are pointers to arrays of characters; following the last character is a NUL terminator: `'\0'` there won't be multiple NUL characters in a string
- To store `"hello\n"`: **7 bytes** —  
... `{ 'h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o', '\n', '\0' }`  
... referring to the string `"\0"` is redundant
- `sizeof` is a *static* property; string length is a *dynamic* property.  
... in (e.g.,) `textbuffer_new`:  
... `sizeof text = sizeof (char *) = 4`  
... `sizeof *text = sizeof (char) = 1`  
... use `strlen(3)` or `strnlen(3)` or similar

## Assignment 1: Textbuffer

Pitfalls and Pointers (II)

- Making a (heap-allocated, mutable) copy of a string?  
... `strdup(3)`, `strndup(3)` get it right — did you?
- Splitting a string using `strsep(3)` or `strtok(3)`?  
... do you know what's going on?
- **HINT** read the forum answers!  
... they tend to be filled with all kinds of useful wisdom
- **ANTI-HINT** the challenge exercises are *challenging*  
... you will need to do your own reading and thinking  
... undo/redo hint: see week01thu lecture  
... diff hint: Levenshtein, but is it optimal?
- Cryptic crossword hint: 'shaken players shift the load'.

# Priority Queues

## Priority

Not all queues are created equal...  
ever been to a hospital?

FIFO doesn't always cut it!  
Sometimes, we need to process  
in order of *key or priority*.

Priority Queues (PQueues or PQs)  
provide this with  
altered enqueue and dequeue.

## Priority Queue Operations

$\text{ENPQUEUE} :: Q' \rightarrow (\text{Item}, \text{prio}) \rightarrow \text{void}$   
join or requeue an item with a priority to pqueue  $Q'$

$\text{DEPQUEUE} :: Q' \rightarrow \text{Item}$   
remove the item with highest priority from pqueue  $Q'$   
(potentially including the priority;  $\rightarrow (\text{Item}, \text{prio})$ )

```
typedef struct pqueue *PQueue;
typedef int pq_prio;

/** Create a new, empty PQueue. */
PQueue pqueue_new (void q);

/** Destroy a PQueue, releasing its resources. */
void pqueue_drop (PQueue pq);

/** Add an item with a priority to a PQueue. */
void pqueue_en (PQueue pq, Item it, pq_prio prio);

/** Remove the highest-priority item from a PQueue. */
Item pqueue_de (PQueue pq, pq_prio *prio);

/** Get the number of items in a PQueue. */
size_t pqueue_size (PQueue pq);
```

ordered array or ordered list:  
insert  $O(n)$ , delete  $O(1)$

unordered array or unordered list:  
insert  $O(1)$ , delete  $O(n)$

there must be a better way!

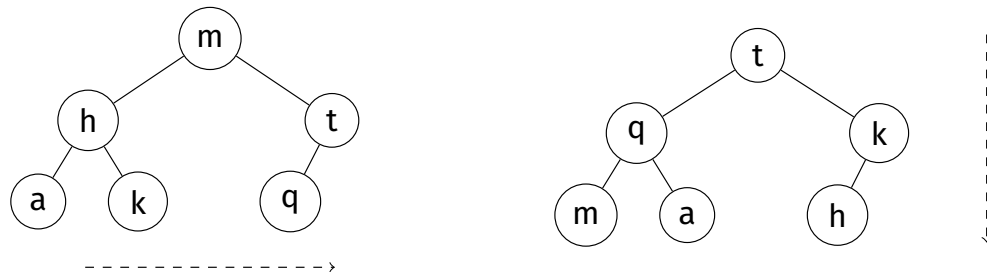
**Heaps** are a good solution.  
Commonly viewed as trees;  
commonly implemented with arrays.

Two important properties:  
**heap order property**,  
a 'top-to-bottom' ordering of values;  
**complete tree property**,  
every level is as filled as possible

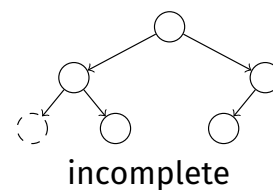
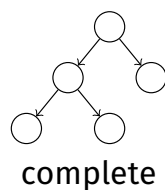
Binary search trees have **left-to-right** ordering.

Heaps have a **top-to-bottom** ordering:  
for all nodes, both subtrees are  $\leq$  the root  
(i.e., the root contains the largest value)

Inserting [m, t, h, q, a, k] into a BST and heap:



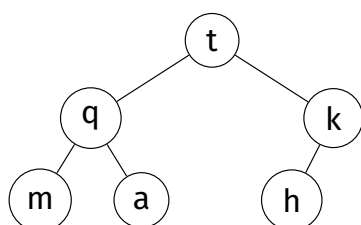
Heaps are *complete trees*:  
every level is filled before adding nodes to the next level  
nodes in a given level are filled left-to-right, with no breaks



BSTs are typically implemented as linked data structures.

Heaps *can* be implemented as linked structures...  
but are more commonly implemented as arrays.  
complete tree  $\Rightarrow$  array implementation

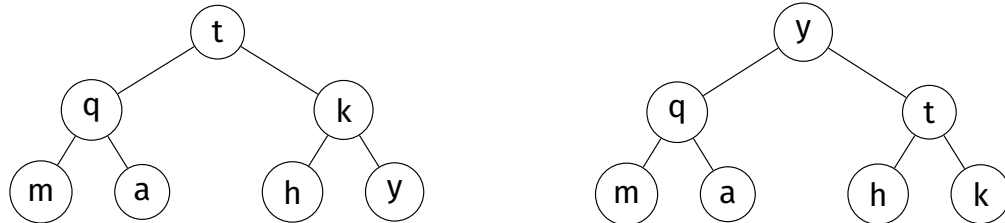
$$\text{LEFT}(i) := 2i \quad \text{RIGHT}(i) := 2i + 1 \quad \text{PARENT}(i) := i/2$$



	t	q	k	m	a	h	
[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	

Insertion is a two-step process:

- 1 add new element at the bottom-most, right-most position (to ensure it is still a complete tree)
- 2 reorganise values along the path to the root (to ensure it is still maintains heap order)



```
// move value at a[k] to correct position
void heap_fixup (Item a[], size_t k)
{
    while (k > 1 && item_cmp (a[k/2], a[k]) < 0) {
        swap (a, k, k/2);
        k /= 2; // integer division!
    }
}
```

Deletion is a three-step process:

- 1 swap root value with bottom-most, right-most value
- 2 remove bottom-most, right-most value (to ensure it is still a complete tree)
- 3 reorganise values along path from root (to ensure it is still maintains heap order)



```
// move value at a[k] to correct position
void heap_fixdown (Item a[], size_t k)
{
    while (2 * k <= N) {
        size_t j = 2 * k; // choose greater child
        if (j < N && item_cmp (a[j], a[j+1]) < 0)
            j++;
        if (item_cmp (a[k], a[j]) >= 0)
            break;
        swap (a, k, j);
        k = j;
    }
}
```

## Heap Complexity

Lots of work, surely?

height: always  $\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor$  (complete!)

insert: fixup is  $O(\log_2 n)$

delete: fixdown is  $O(\log_2 n)$

... worth it!

## Now you try!

### Exercise: Heaps of Fun!

Show the construction of the max-heap produced by inserting

[H, E, A, P, S, F, U, N]

Delete an item. What does the heap look like now?

Delete another item. What does the heap look like now?

# Graph Fundamentals

## Collections of Related Things

Up to this point, we've seen a few collection types...

**lists:** a *linear* sequence of items

each node knows about its next node

**trees:** a *branched* hierarchy of items

each node knows about its child node(s)

what if we want something more general?

...each node knows about its *related* nodes

## Collections of Related Things

... Related Nodes? (I)

Many applications need to model **relationships** between items.

... on a map: cities, connected by roads

... on the Web: pages, connected by hyperlinks

... in a game: states, connected by legal moves

... in a social network: people, connected by friendships

... in scheduling: tasks, connected by constraints

... in circuits: components, connected by traces

... in networking: computers, connected by cables

... in programs: functions, connected by calls

... etc. etc. etc.

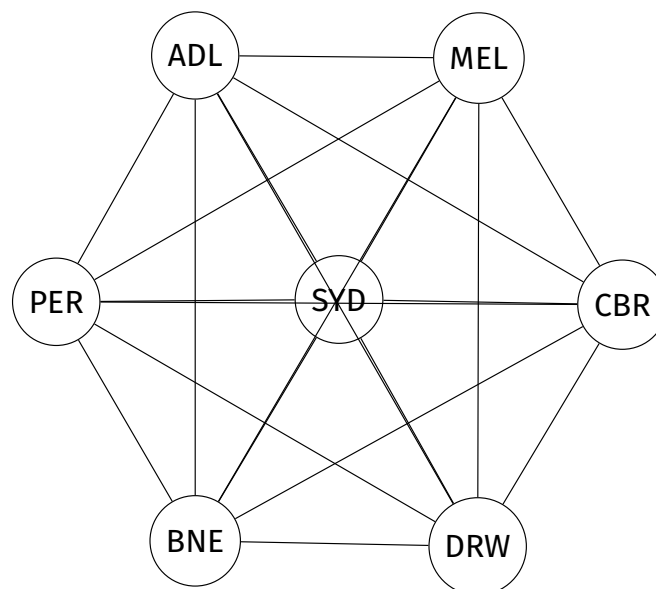
Questions we could answer with a graph:

- what items are connected? how?
- are the items fully connected?
- is there a way to get from  $A$  to  $B$ ?  
what's the best way? what's the cheapest way?
- in general, what can we reach from  $A$ ?
- is there a path that lets me visit all items?
- can we form a tree linking all vertices?
- are two graphs "equivalent"?

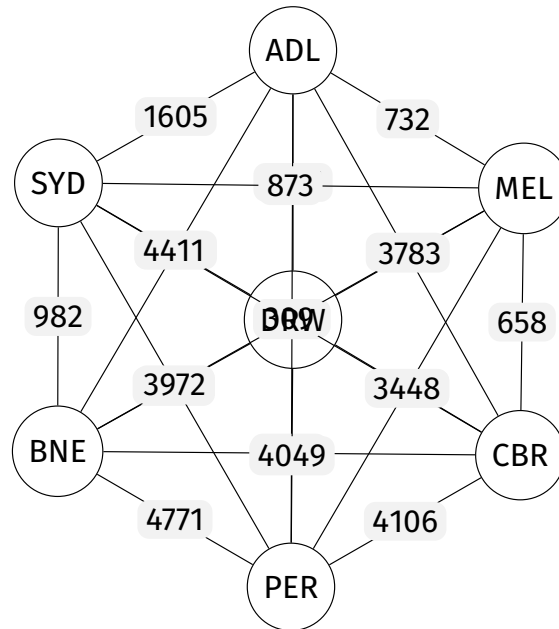
## Road Distances

	ADL	BNE	CBR	DRW	MEL	PER	SYD
ADL	—	2055	1390	3051	732	2716	1605
BNE	2055	—	1291	3429	1671	4771	982
CBR	1390	1291	—	4441	658	4106	309
DRW	3051	3429	4441	—	3783	4049	4411
MEL	732	1671	658	3783	—	3448	873
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## Road Distances



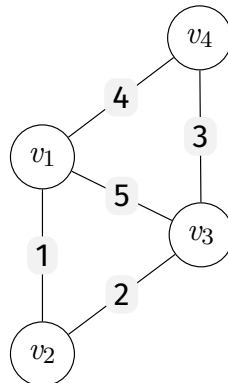




## Graphs

A graph  $G$  is a set of vertices  $V$  and edges  $E$ .

$$E := \{(v, w) | v, w \in V, (v, w) \in V \times V\}$$

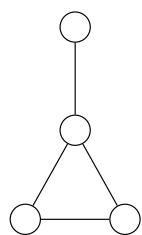


$$V = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$$

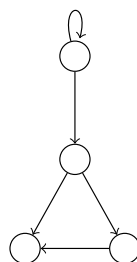
$$E = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} e_1 := (v_1, v_2), \\ e_2 := (v_2, v_3), \\ e_3 := (v_3, v_4), \\ e_4 := (v_1, v_4), \\ e_5 := (v_1, v_3) \end{array} \right\}$$

## Graphs

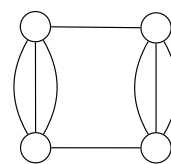
Types of Graphs



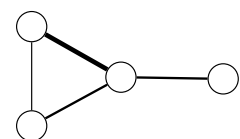
undirected



directed



multigraph



weighted

If edges in a graph are directed,  
the graph is a **directed graph** or **digraph**.

The edge  $(v, w) \neq (w, v)$ .

A digraph with  $V$  vertices can have at most  $V^2$  edges.

Digraphs can have self loops  $(v \rightarrow v)$

Unless otherwise specified,  
graphs are **undirected** in this course.

## Multigraphs and Weighted Graphs

### Multi-Graphs...

allow multiple edges between two  
vertices  
(e.g., callgraphs; maps)

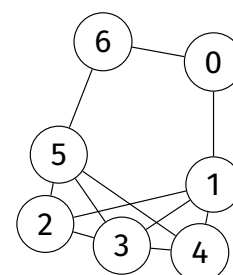
### Weighted Graphs...

each edge has an associated weight  
(e.g., maps; networks)

## Simple Graphs

At this point,  
we'll only consider **simple graphs**:

- a set of vertices
- a set of undirected edges
- no self loops
- no parallel edges



$$|V| = 7; |E| = 11.$$

How many edges can a  
7-vertex simple graph have?

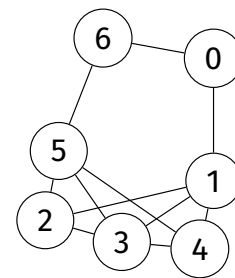
$$7 \times (7 - 1) / 2 = 21$$

For a simple graph:

$$|E| \leq (|V| \times (|V| - 1))/2$$

- if  $|E|$  closer to  $|V|^2$ , *dense*
- if  $|E|$  closer to  $|V|$ , *sparse*
- if  $|E| = 0$ , we have a set

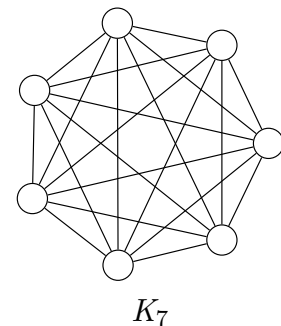
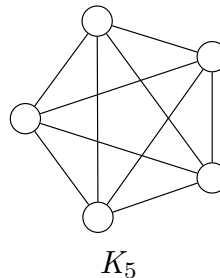
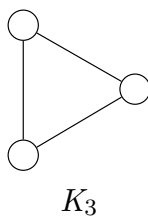
These properties affect our choice of representation and algorithms.



$$|V| = 7; |E| = 11.$$

A complete graph is a graph where every vertex is connected to all other vertices:

$$|E| = (|V| \times (|V| - 1))/2$$

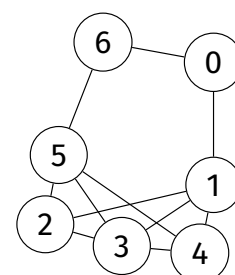


A vertex  $v$  has degree  $\deg(v)$  of the number of edges incident on that vertex.

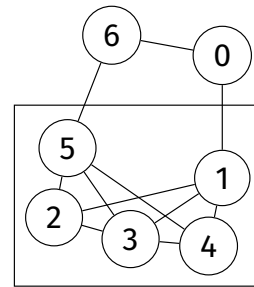
$\deg(v) = 0$  — an isolated vertex

$\deg(v) = 1$  — a pendant vertex

Two vertices  $v$  and  $w$  are **adjacent** if an edge  $e := (v, w)$  connects them; we say  $e$  is **incident** on  $v$  and  $w$



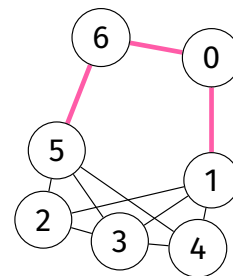
A **subgraph** is a subset of vertices and associated edges



A **path** is a sequence of vertices and edges  
... 1, 0, 6, 5

a path is **simple** if it has no repeating vertices

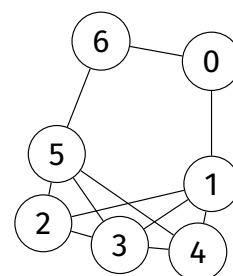
a path is a **cycle** if it is simple *except* for its first and last vertex, which are the same.



A **connected graph** has a path from every vertex to every other vertex

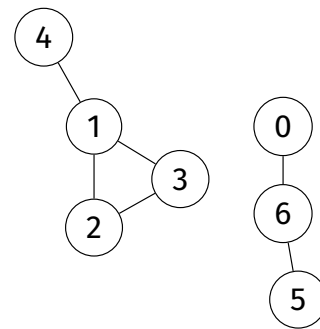
A connected graph with no cycles is a **tree**.

A tree has exactly one path between each pair of vertices.



(not a tree)

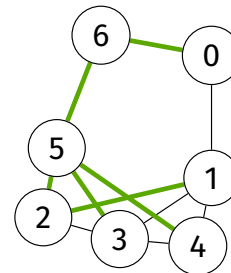
A graph that is not connected consists of a set of **connected components**: maximally connected subgraphs



A **spanning tree** of a graph is a subgraph that contains all its vertices and is a single tree

A **spanning forest** of a graph is a subgraph that contains all its vertices and is a set of trees

There isn't necessarily *only* one spanning tree/forest for a graph.



A **clique** is a complete subgraph.

