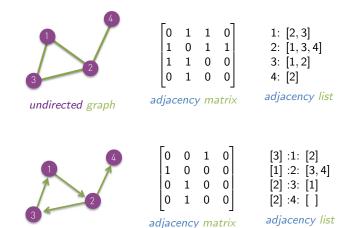
### network *representations*

introduction to network analysis (ina)

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# network *representations*

directed graph



 $\{1, 2\}$ 

edge list

(1, 2)

(2,3)(2,4)

edge list

<sup>\*</sup>adjacency list can also be implemented with maps or trees & edge list does not represent isolated nodes

## network *representations*

- adjacency matrix for elegant analytical derivations most derivations based on matrix representation<sup>†</sup>
- adjacency list for efficient algorithms implementation ideal complexity since most algorithms only require incidence<sup>†</sup>
- edge list for efficient network storing/manipulation
  easy editing since each is edge stored only once

<sup>†</sup>some derivations can also be based on adjacency list & some algorithms require edge list

#### network *structures*

edge list edges data structure complexity

data structure	link manipulation	random node	random link
array	none	O(m)	O(1)
array list	addition	$\mathcal{O}(m)$	$\mathcal{O}(1)$
hash map	any	$\mathcal{O}(m)$	$\mathcal{O}(m)$

adjacency list nodes data structure complexity

data structure	node manipulation	random node	random link
array	none	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	O(m)
array list	addition	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\mathcal{O}(m)$
hash map	any	$\mathcal{O}(n)$	$\mathcal{O}(m)$

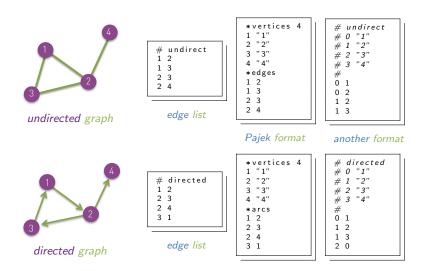
— adjacency list neighbors data structure complexity

data structure	link manipulation	node incidence	random neighbor
array	none	$\mathcal{O}(k)$	O(1)
array list	addition	$\mathcal{O}(k)$	$\mathcal{O}(1)$
hash map	any	$\approx \mathcal{O}(1)$	$\mathcal{O}(k)$
tree map	any	$\mathcal{O}(\log k)$	$\mathcal{O}(k)$

- hash maps for construction and arrays for analysis
- use directed adjacency list with undirected flag

Frandom link selection equivalent to random node selection by degree

### network formats



 $<sup>\$</sup>_{\text{ad-hoc}}$  edge list and Pajek format most popular & other formats include GML, GraphML and JSON

### network data

- easily obtained from online sources
- already present in many standard datasets
- personal web pages of network researchers
- popular network repositories/collections
  - Network Catalogue and Repository [Netzschleuder]
  - Colorado Index of Complex Networks [ICON]
  - Stanford Network Analysis Project [SNAP]
  - Koblenz Network Collection [KONECT]
  - Open Graph Benchmark [OGB]
  - Network Repository [NetRepo]
  - Pajek datasets [Pajek]

### network *software*

### — most popular Python libraries

- igraph [https://igraph.org]
- NetworkX [https://networkx.org]
- graph-tool [https://graph-tool.skewed.de]
- Snap.py [https://snap.stanford.edu/snappy]
- Pajek [http://mrvar.fdv.uni-lj.si/pajek]

#### — most popular network software

- Gephi [https://gephi.org]
- visone [https://visone.ethz.ch]
- Pajek [http://mrvar.fdv.uni-lj.si/pajek]