

# Graph Algorithms

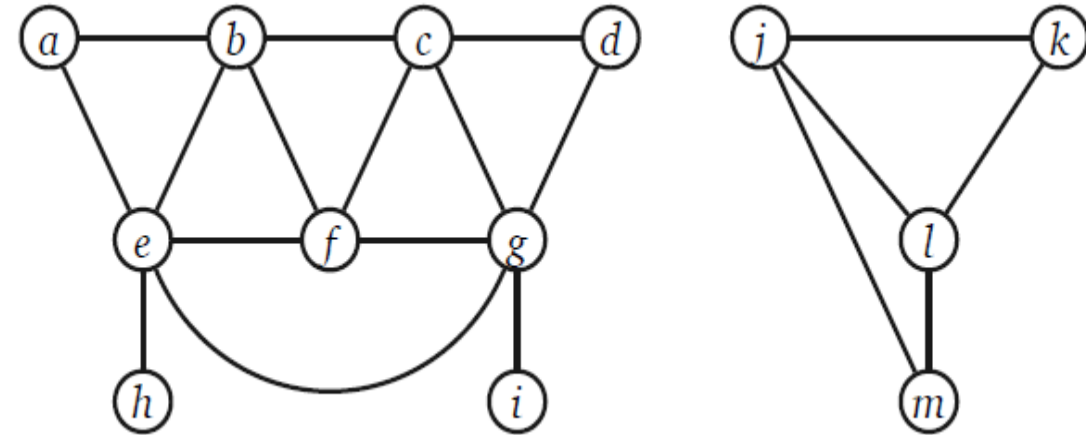
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# Basic Definitions

- $G = (V, E)$ 
  - $V$  is a non-empty, finite set of vertices/nodes
  - $E$  is a set of edges;  $E \subseteq V \times V$
- Undirected graph: edges are unordered pairs
  - $(u, v) \Rightarrow (v, u)$
- Directed graph: edges are ordered
- Graph is simple if there are no self loops and no parallel edges; otherwise, it is multi-graph
- Graph is mixed if it has both directed and undirected edges

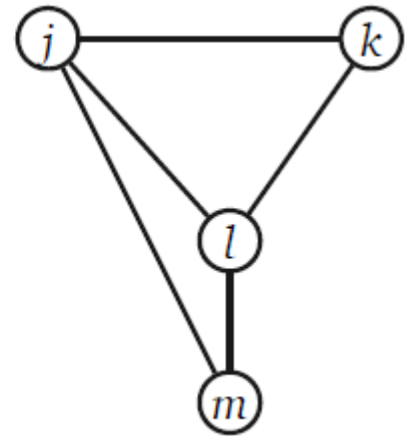
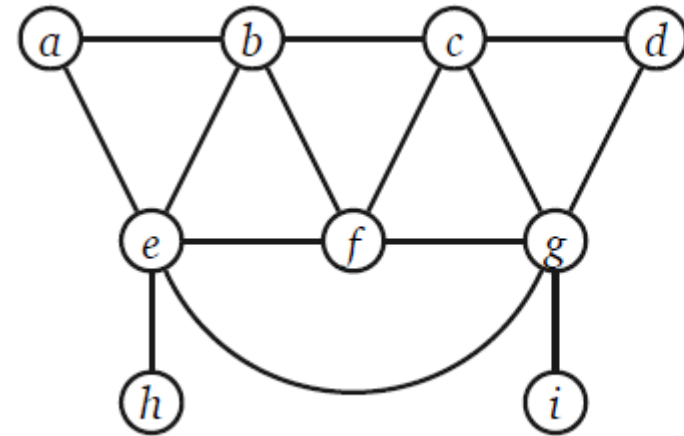
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- $u$  and  $v$  are neighbors if there is an edge  $(u, v)$  in  $E$
- Degree of a node is the number of neighbors or edges incident on the node
  - In-degree is number of incoming edges
  - Out-degree is number of outgoing edges
  - In an undirected graph  $\text{in-deg}(u) = \text{out-deg}(v)$
- Walk is a sequence of vertices where each successive pairs are adjacent/neighbors
- A path is a walk where no vertices are visited more than once



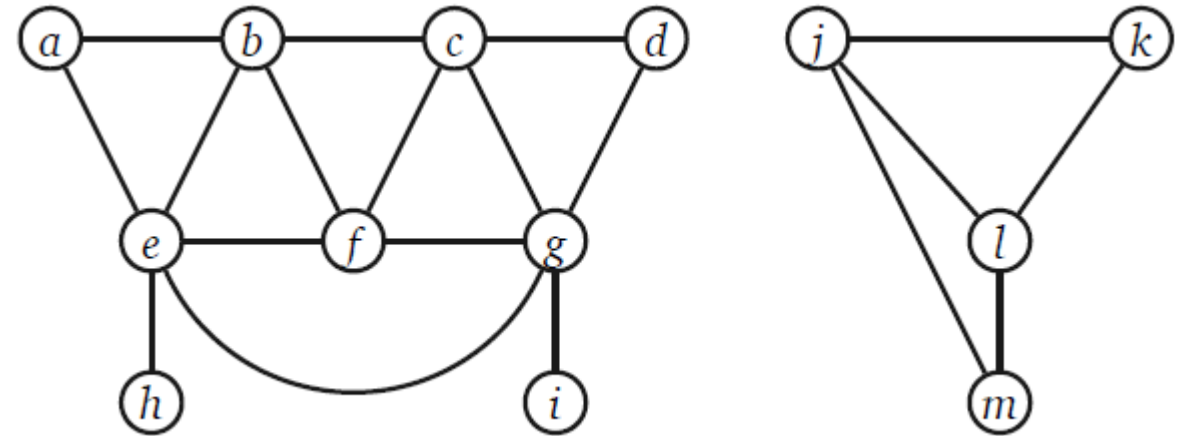
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- $v$  is reachable from  $u$  if there is a path from  $u$  to  $v$
- A graph is connected if every vertex is reachable from every other vertex
- A component is a maximally connected sub-graph



# Data Structures: Adjacency Matrix

- $A[i,j] = 1$  if  $(i, j)$  is in  $E$
- Advantages?
- Disadvantages?



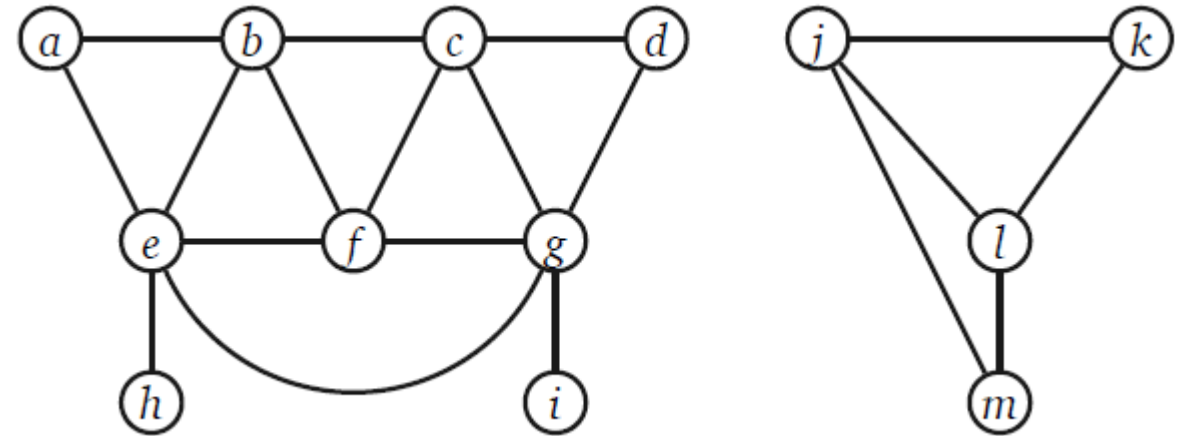
# Data Structures: Adjacency List

- Array of list of vertices?

List<Vertex> []

- Array of list of edges?

List<Edge>[]



# Comparison: Adj. list vs Adj. matrix

Operations	Adj. list	Adj. matrix
Space		
Test $(u,v)$ in $E$		
List neighbors of $u$		
List all edges		
Insert edge		
Delete edge		

# Whatever-First Search

Reachability Problem: Given  $G$  and start vertex  $s$ , which vertices are reachable from  $s$ ? Assume  $G$  is undirected

```
wfs(s) {  
    put s into bag // bag is a generic data structure  
    while bag not empty  
        take v from bag  
        if v is unmarked  
            mark v  
            for each (v, w) in G do  
                put w in bag  
}
```

RT:  $O(V + ET)$   
T is time taken to  
add/delete from a bag



# Variants: Based on data structure used

## Queue

add instead of put

remove instead of take

$O(V + E)$

Breadth first tree

## Stack

push instead of put

pop instead of take

$O(V + E)$

Depth first tree

## Priority Queue

add instead of put

remove instead of take

$O(V + E \log E)$

Best first spanning tree

Family of algorithms  
depending on the priority

# Best First Search

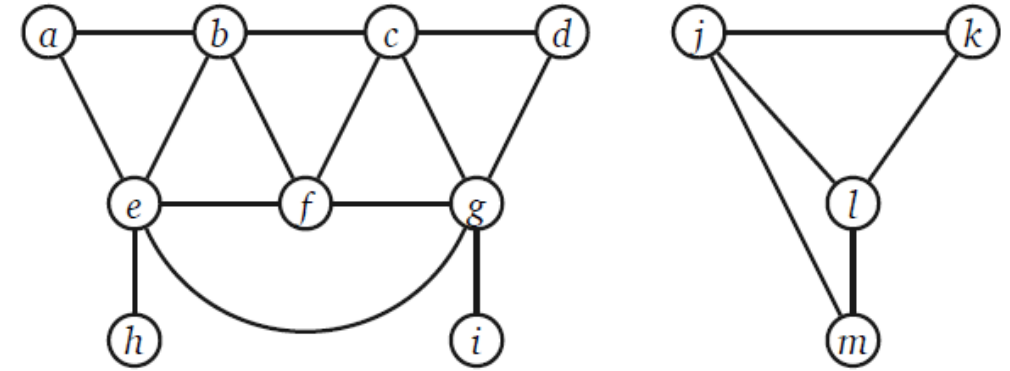
- $G$  is undirected and weight of edge is priority,
  - it is MST
  - Commonly called as Kruskal's algorithm
- Use distance from  $s$  as priority,
  - it is SPT from  $s$
  - $\text{dist}(s) = 0$
  - $\text{dist}(v) = \text{dist}(p) + w(p, v)$
  - Update  $\text{dist}(v)$  whenever  $\text{parent}(v) \leftarrow p$
  - when  $(v, w)$  added to PQ, use priority  $\text{dist}(v) + w(v, w)$

# WFS - visit all nodes

May not visit all nodes

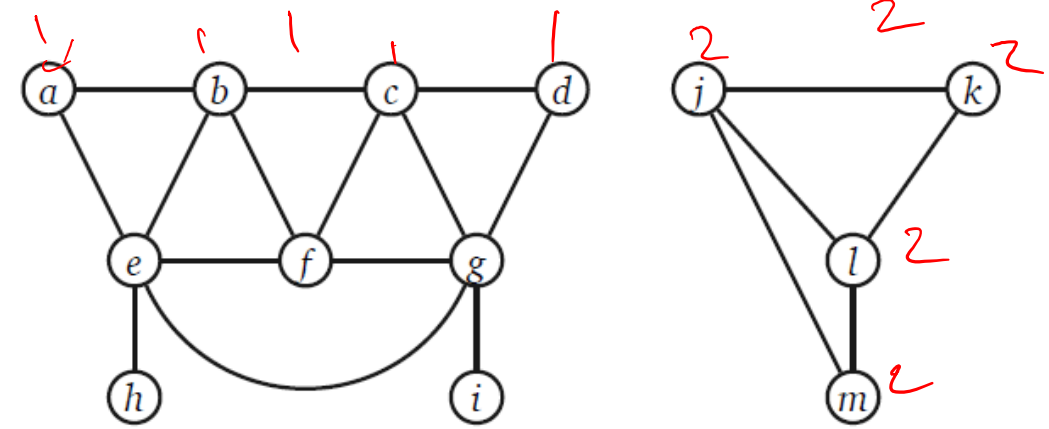
`wfs(a)` will visit only all the nodes in the component of 'a'

```
wfsAll(G) {  
    for each v in V do  
        unmark v  
    for each v in V do  
        if v is unmarked  
            wfs(v)  
}
```



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                put w in bag  
    }
```

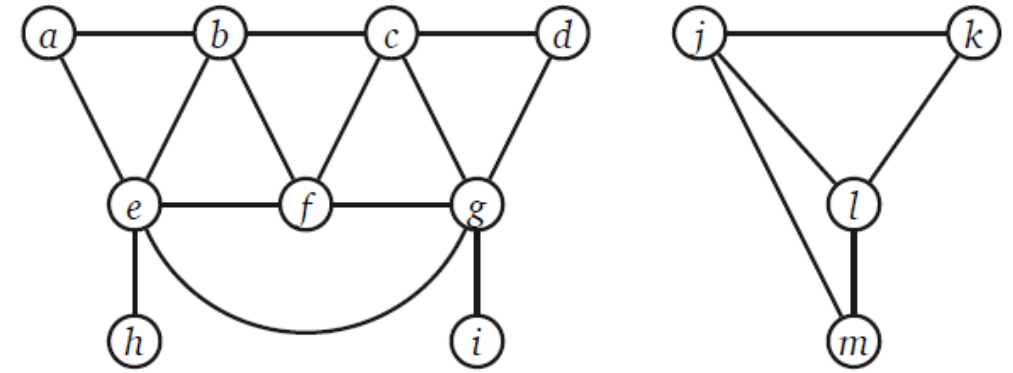
# Count Components



```
countComponents (G) {  
    count = 0  
    for each v in V do  
        unmark v  
    for each v in V do  
        if v is unmarked  
            count++  
            wfs(v)  
}
```

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        if v is unmarked  
            mark v  
            for each (v, w) in G do  
                put w in bag  
}
```

# Label Vertex with Component num



```
countandLabel (G) {  
    count = 0  
    for each v in V do  
        unmark v  
    for each v in V do  
        if v is unmarked  
            count++  
            Label(v, count)  
}
```

```
Label(s, count) { //label one component  
    put s into bag  
    while bag not empty  
        take v from bag  
        if v is unmarked  
            mark v  
            comp(v) = count  
        for each (v, w) in G do  
            put w in bag  
}
```

# Problem of the day: Snakes and Ladders

*Snakes and Ladders* is a classic board game, originating in India no later than the 16th century. The board consists of an  $n \times n$  grid of squares, numbered consecutively from 1 to  $n^2$ , starting in the bottom left corner and proceeding row by row from bottom to top, with rows alternating to the left and right. Certain pairs of squares in this grid, always in different rows, are connected by either “snakes” (leading down) or “ladders” (leading up). Each square can be an endpoint of at most one snake or ladder.

You start with a token in cell 1, in the bottom left corner. In each move, you advance your token up to  $k$  positions, for some fixed constant  $k$ . If the token ends the move at the *top* end of a snake, it slides down to the bottom of that snake. Similarly, if the token ends the move at the *bottom* end of a ladder, it climbs up to the top of that ladder.

Describe and analyze an algorithm to compute the smallest number of moves required for the token to reach the last square of the grid.

100	99	98	97	96	95	94	93	92	91
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
80	79	78	77	76	75	74	73	72	71
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
60	59	58	57	56	55	54	53	52	51
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
40	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	31
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10