

# Introduction to NetworkX

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# Softwares

- ① Networkx (Python) (<https://networkx.github.io/>)
  - ① Cross-platform python library
  - ② Examples/introduction in this presentation
- ② NodeXL (<http://nodexl.codeplex.com/>):
  - ① Add-in for Microsoft Excel (Windows only)
  - ② Good data collection options (Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, . . . )
  - ③ Basic visualization
- ③ igraph (Python, C, R) (<http://igraph.org/redirect.html>)
  - ① `install.packages(igraph)` in R ([r-project.org](http://r-project.org)) (or python)
  - ② Cross-platform
  - ③ Text driven: powerful for analysis
- ④ pajet <http://vlado.fmf.uni-lj.si/pub/networks/pajek/>
  - ① <http://pajek.imfm.si/doku.php?id=download>
  - ② Standalone, Windows (or Linux with wine)
  - ③ Good interactive environment for metrics and basic visualization
- ⑤ Gephi <https://gephi.org/>

- 1 <http://networkx.github.io/>
- 2 Package to represent networks as python objects
- 3 Convenient functions to add, delete, iterate nodes/edges
- 4 Functions to calculate network statistics (degree, clustering, etc.)
- 5 Easily generate comparison graphs based on statistical models
- 6 Visualization
- 7 Alternatives include igraph (available for Python and R)

## NetworkX

[NetworkX Home](#) | [Documentation](#) | [Download](#) | [Developer \(Github\)](#)

### High-productivity software for complex networks

NetworkX is a Python language software package for the creation, manipulation, and study of the structure, dynamics, and functions of complex networks.



[Documentation](#)  
*all documentation*

[Examples](#)  
*using the library*

[Reference](#)  
*all functions and methods*

### Features

- Python language data structures for graphs, digraphs, and multigraphs.
- Many standard graph algorithms
- Network structure and analysis measures
- Generators for classic graphs, random graphs, and synthetic networks
- Nodes can be "anything" (e.g. text, images, XML records)
- Edges can hold arbitrary data (e.g. weights, time-series)
- Open source [BSD license](#)
- Well tested: more than 1800 unit tests, >90% code coverage
- Additional benefits from Python: fast prototyping, easy to teach, multi-platform

#### Versions

#### Latest Release

networkx-1.11  
30 January 2016  
[downloads](#) | [docs](#) | [pdf](#)

#### Development

2.0dev  
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build passing  
coverage 94%

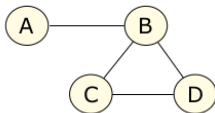
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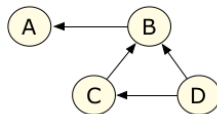


# Basic Concepts

- **Graph**: a way of representing the relationships among a collection of objects.
- Consists of a set of objects, called **nodes**, with certain pairs of these objects connected by links called **edges**.



Undirected Graph



Directed Graph

- Two nodes are **neighbours** if they are connected by an edge.
- **Degree** of a node is the number of edges ending at that node.
- For a directed graph, the **in-degree** and **out-degree** of a node refer to numbers of edges incoming to or outgoing from the node.

# Networkx: Creating Graphs

```
>>> import networkx
```

Import library

```
>>> g = networkx.Graph()
```

Create new undirected graph

```
>>> g.add_node("John")
>>> g.add_node("Maria")
>>> g.add_node("Alex")
>>> g.add_edge("John", "Alex")
>>> g.add_edge("Maria", "Alex")
```

Add new nodes with unique IDs.

Add new edges referencing associated node IDs.

```
>>> print g.number_of_nodes()
3
>>> print g.number_of_edges()
2
>>> print g.nodes()
['John', 'Alex', 'Maria']
>>> print g.edges()
[('John', 'Alex'), ('Alex', 'Maria')]
```

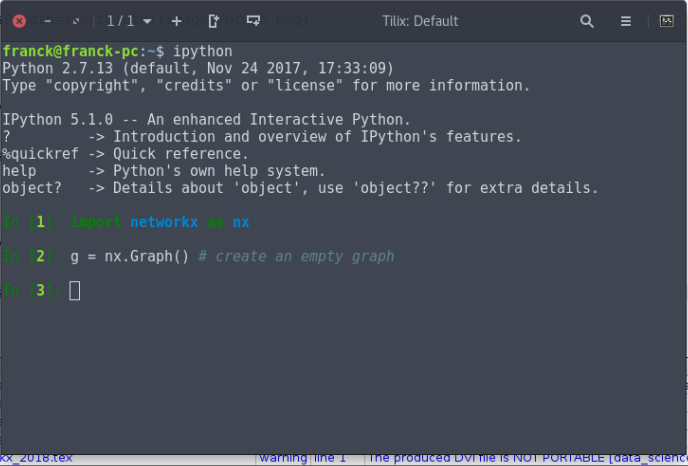
Print details of our newly-created graph.

```
>>> print g.degree("John")
1
>>> print g.degree()
{'John': 1, 'Alex': 2, 'Maria': 1}
```

Calculate degree of specific node, or map of degree for all nodes.

# Networkx in Ipython

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In [2]: g = nx.Graph() # create an empty graph

In [3]:
```

## Networkx: attributed Graphs

- Add nodes
- Add edges

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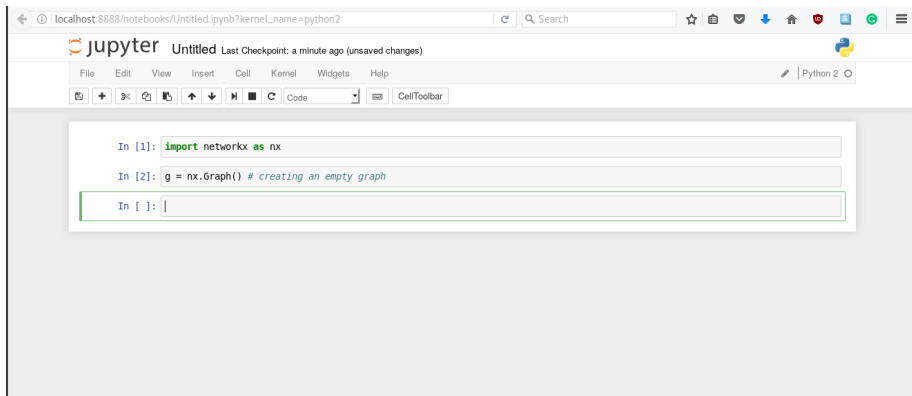
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g.node
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# Networkx in Jupyter Notebook



# Networkx in Jupyter Notebook

I would like you get use to ipython <https://ipython.org/> of python <https://www.python.org/> command line before you move to jupyter notebook <https://jupyter.org/>.

If you impatient you can learn networkx within jupyter notebook here <https://networkx.github.io/documentation/stable/tutorial.html>

# Networkx: Directed Graphs

```
>>> g = networkx.DiGraph()
```

Create new directed graph

```
>>> g.add_edges_from([("A","B"), ("C","A")])
```

Edges can be added in batches.

```
>>> print g.in_degree(with_labels=True)
{'A': 1, 'C': 0, 'B': 1}
>>> print g.out_degree(with_labels=True)
{'A': 1, 'C': 1, 'B': 0}
```

Nodes can be added to the graph "on the fly".

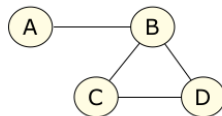
```
>>> print g.neighbors("A")
['B']
>>> print g.neighbors("B")
[]
```

```
>>> ug = g.to_undirected()
>>> print ug.neighbors("B")
['A']
```

Convert to an undirected graph

# Networkx: Loading existing Graphs

- Library includes support for reading/writing graphs in a variety of file formats.



## Edge List Format

```
a b  
b c  
b d  
c d
```

Node pairs, one edge per line.

```
>>> g = networkx.read_edgelist("test.edges")  
>>> print g.edges()  
[('a', 'b'), ('c', 'b'), ('c', 'd'), ('b', 'd')]
```

## Adjacency List Format

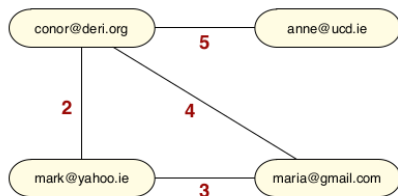
```
a b  
b c d  
c d
```

First label in line is the source node.  
Further labels in the line are considered target nodes.

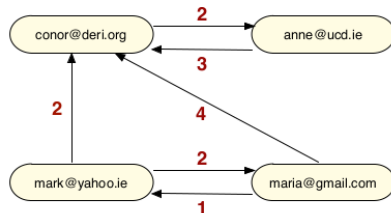
```
>>> g = networkx.read_adjlist("test_adj.txt")  
>>> print g.edges()  
[('a', 'b'), ('c', 'b'), ('c', 'd'), ('b', 'd')]
```

# Networkx: Weigthed Graphs

- **Weighted graph**: numeric value is associated with each edge.
- Edge **weights** may represent a concept such as similarity, distance, or connection cost.



Undirected weighted graph



Directed weighted graph



# Networkx: Weighted Graphs

```
g = networkx.Graph()
```

```
g.add_edge("conor@deri.org", "anne@ucd.ie", weight=5)  
g.add_edge("conor@deri.org", "mark@yahoo.ie", weight=2)  
g.add_edge("conor@deri.org", "maria@gmail.com", weight=4)  
g.add_edge("mark@yahoo.ie", "maria@gmail.com", weight=3)
```

Add weighted edges to graph.

Note: nodes can be added to the graph "on the fly"

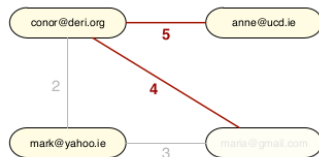
Select the subset of "strongly weighted" edges above a threshold...

```
estrong = [(u,v) for (u,v,d) in g.edges(data=True) if d["weight"] > 3]
```

```
>>> print estrong  
[('conor@deri.org', 'anne@ucd.ie'), ('conor@deri.org', 'maria@gmail.com')]
```

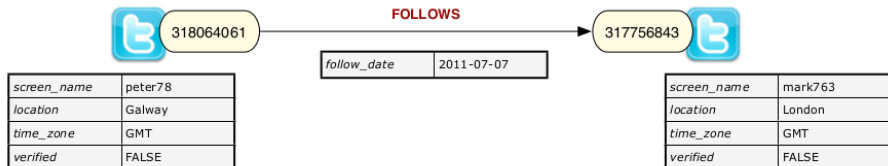
```
>>> print g.degree("conor@deri.org", weighted=False)  
3  
>>> print g.degree("conor@deri.org", weighted=True)  
11
```

Weighted degree given by sum of edge weights.



# Networkx: attributed Graphs

- Additional **attribute** data, relating to nodes and/or edges, is often available to compliment network data.



## Create new nodes with attribute values

```
g.add_node("318064061", screen_name="peter78", location="Galway", time_zone="GMT")
g.add_node("317756843", screen_name="mark763", location="London", time_zone="GMT")
```

## Add/modify attribute values for existing nodes

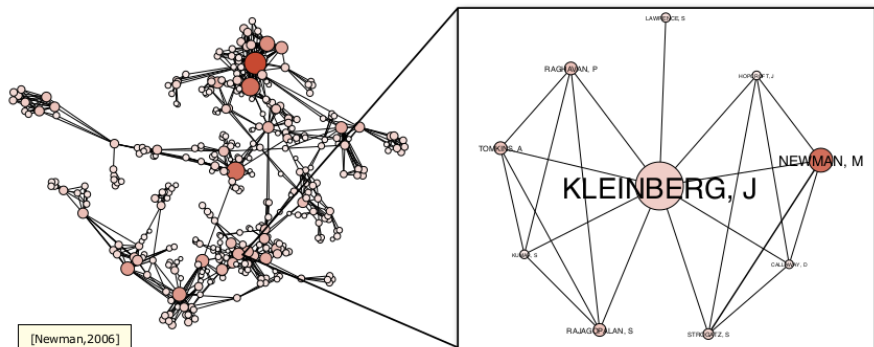
```
g.node["318064061"]["verified"] = False
g.node["317756843"]["verified"] = False
```

## Create new edge with attribute values

```
g.add_edge("318064061", "317756843", follow_date=datetime.datetime.now())
```

# Networkx: Ego networks

- **Ego-centric** methods really focus on the individual, rather than on network as a whole.
- By collecting information on the connections among the nodes connected to a focal ego, we can build a picture of the **local** networks of the individual.





# Networkx: Ego networks

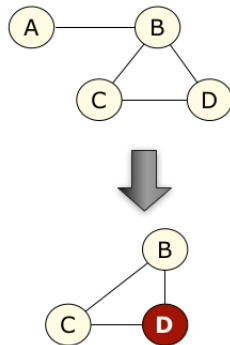
- We can readily construct an ego network subgraph from a global graph in NetworkX.

```
>>> g = networkx.read_adjlist("test.adj")
```

```
>>> ego = "d"
```

```
>>> nodes = set([ego])  
>>> nodes.update(g.neighbors(ego))  
>>> egonet = g.subgraph(nodes)
```

```
>>> print egonet.nodes()  
['c', 'b', 'd']  
>>> print egonet.edges()  
[('c', 'b'), ('c', 'd'), ('b', 'd')]
```

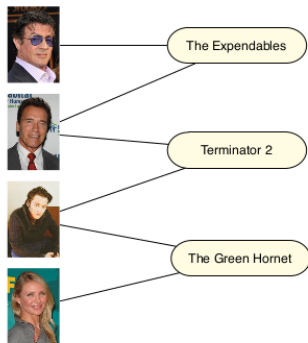


# Networkx: Bipartite Graphs

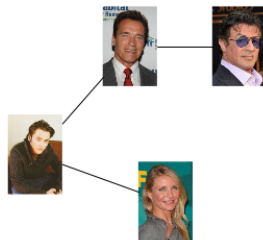
- In a **bipartite graph** the nodes can be divided into two disjoint sets so that no pair of nodes in the same set share an edge.

Actors

Movies



Collapse actor-movie graph into single "co-starred" graph



# Networkx: Bipartite Graphs

- NetworkX does not have a custom bipartite graph class.
- ➡ A standard graph can be used to represent a bipartite graph.

```
import networkx
from networkx.algorithms import bipartite
```

Import package for handling bipartite graphs

```
g = networkx.Graph()
```

Create standard graph, and add edges.

```
g.add_edges_from([("Stallone", "Expendables"), ("Schwarzenegger", "Expendables")])
g.add_edges_from([("Schwarzenegger", "Terminator 2"), ("Furlong", "Terminator 2")])
g.add_edges_from([("Furlong", "Green Hornet"), ("Diaz", "Green Hornet")])
```

```
>>> print bipartite.is_bipartite(g)
True
>>> print bipartite.bipartite_sets(g)
(set(['Stallone', 'Diaz', 'Schwarzenegger', 'Furlong']),
set(['Terminator 2', 'Green Hornet', 'Expendables']))
```

Verify our graph is bipartite, with two disjoint node sets.

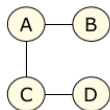
```
>>> g.add_edge("Schwarzenegger", "Stallone")
>>> print bipartite.is_bipartite(g)
False
```

Graph is no longer bipartite!

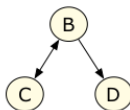
# Networkx: Multi-relational networks

- In many SNA applications there will be multiple kinds of **relations** between nodes. Nodes may be closely-linked in one relational network, but distant in another.

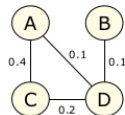
## Scientific Research Network



Co-authorship Graph



Citation Graph



Content Similarity

## Microblogging Network



Follower Graph



Reply-To Graph



Mention Graph



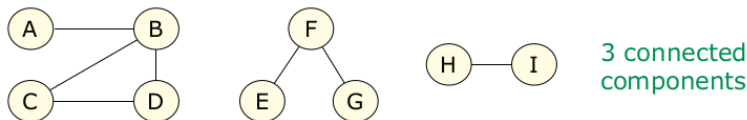
Co-Listed Graph



Content Similarity

# Networkx: Graph Connectivity - Components

- A graph is **connected** if there is a path between every pair of nodes in the graph.
- A **connected component** is a subset of the nodes where:
  1. A path exists between every pair in the subset.
  2. The subset is not part of a larger set with the above property.

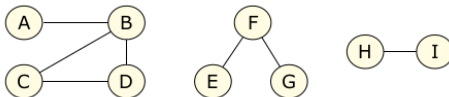


- In many empirical social networks a larger proportion of all nodes will belong to a single **giant component**.

# Networkx: Graph Connectivity - Components

```
g = networkx.Graph()
g.add_edges_from([("a", "b"), ("b", "c"), ("b", "d"), ("c", "d")])
g.add_edges_from([("e", "f"), ("f", "g"), ("h", "i")])
```

Build undirected graph.



```
>>> print networkx.is_connected(g)
False
>>> print networkx.number_connected_components(g)
3
```

Is the graph just a single component?

If not, how many components are there?

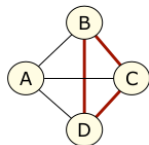
```
>>> comps = networkx.connected_component_subgraphs(g)
>>> print comps[0].nodes()
['a', 'c', 'b', 'd']
>>> print comps[1].nodes()
['e', 'g', 'f']
>>> print comps[2].nodes()
['i', 'h']
```

Find list of all connected components.

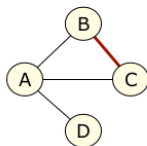
Each component is a subgraph with its own set of nodes and edges.

# Networkx: Clustering Coefficients

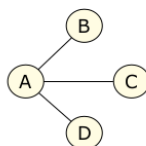
- The **neighbourhood** of a node is set of nodes connected to it by an edge, not including itself.
- The **clustering coefficient** of a node is the fraction of pairs of its neighbours that have edges between one another.



Node A:  $CC = \frac{3}{3}$



$CC = \frac{1}{3}$



$CC = \frac{0}{3}$

- Locally indicates how concentrated the neighbourhood of a node is, globally indicates level of clustering in a graph.
- Global score is average over all nodes:  $\bar{CC} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n CC(v_i)$

# Networkx: Clustering Coefficients

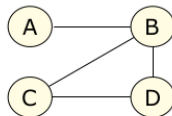
```
g = networkx.Graph()
g.add_edges_from([("a", "b"), ("b", "c"), ("b", "d"), ("c", "d")])
```

```
>>> print networkx.neighbors(g, "b")
['a', 'c', 'd']
```

```
>>> print networkx.clustering(g, "b")
0.333333333333
```

```
>>> print networkx.clustering(g, with_labels=True)
{'a': 0.0, 'c': 1.0, 'b': 0.33333333333333331, 'd': 1.0}
```

```
>>> ccs = networkx.clustering(g)
>>> print ccs
[0.0, 1.0, 0.33333333333333331, 1.0]
>>> print sum(ccs)/len(ccs)
0.583333333333
```



Get list of neighbours for a specific node.

Calculate coefficient for specific node.

Build a map of coefficients for all nodes.

Calculate global clustering coefficient.



# Networkx: Measure of Centrality

```
import networkx
from operator import itemgetter
```

```
g = networkx.read_adjlist("centrality.edges")
```

```
dc = networkx.degree_centrality(g)
print sorted(dc.items(), key=itemgetter(1), reverse=True)
```

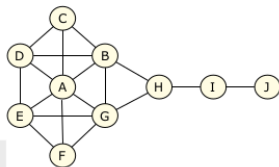
```
[('a', 0.6666666666666666), ('b', 0.5555555555555558), ('g', 0.5555555555555558), ('c', 0.3333333333333333),
('e', 0.3333333333333333), ('d', 0.3333333333333333), ('f', 0.3333333333333333), ('h', 0.3333333333333333),
('i', 0.2222222222222222), ('j', 0.1111111111111111)]
```

```
bc = networkx.betweenness_centrality(g)
print sorted(bc.items(), key=itemgetter(1), reverse=True)
```

```
[('h', 0.3888888888888888), ('b', 0.2361111111111111), ('g', 0.2361111111111111), ('i', 0.2222222222222222),
('a', 0.1666666666666666), ('c', 0.0), ('e', 0.0), ('d', 0.0), ('f', 0.0), ('j', 0.0)]
```

```
bc = networkx.eigenvector_centrality(g)
print sorted(bc.items(), key=itemgetter(1), reverse=True)
```

```
[('a', 0.17589997921479006), ('b', 0.14995290497083508), ('g', 0.14995290497083508), ('c', 0.10520440827586457),
('e', 0.10520440827586457), ('d', 0.10520440827586457), ('f', 0.10520440827586457), ('h', 0.078145778134411939),
('i', 0.020280613919932109), ('j', 0.0049501856857375875)]
```



# Networkx: Random Networks

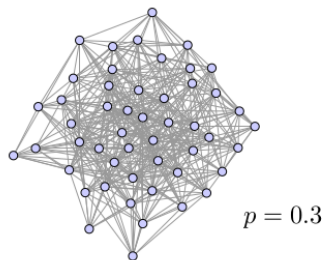
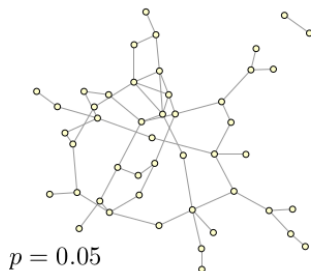
- Erdős–Rényi random graph model:

- Start with a collection of  $n$  disconnected nodes.
- Create an edge between each pair of nodes with a probability  $p$ , independently of every other edge.

```
g1 = networkx.erdos_renyi_graph(50, 0.05)
```

```
g2 = networkx.erdos_renyi_graph(50, 0.3)
```

Specify number of nodes to create, and connection probability  $p$ .



## Milgram's Small World Experiment:

- Route a package to a stockbroker in Boston by sending them to random people in Nebraska and requesting them to forward to someone who might know the stockbroker.
- ➔ Although most nodes are not directly connected, each node can be reached from another via a relatively small number of hops.



## Six Degrees of Kevin Bacon

- Examine the actor-actor "co-starred" graph from IMDB.
- The Bacon Number of an actor is the number of degrees of separation he/she has from Bacon, via the shortest path.



⇒ Bacon Number = 2

# Networkx: Smallworld networks

- Take a connected graph with a high diameter, randomly add a small number of edges, then the diameter tends to drop drastically.
- Small-world network has many local links and few long range “shortcuts”.

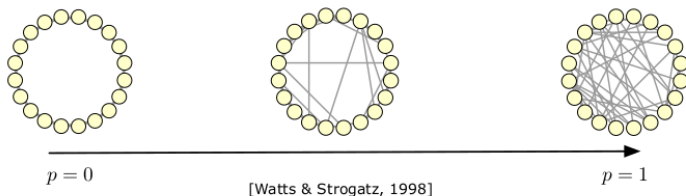
## Typical properties:

- High clustering coefficient.
- Short average path length.
- Over-abundance of hub nodes.

[Watts & Strogatz, 1998]

## Generating Small World Networks:

1. Create ring of  $n$  nodes, each connected to its  $k$  nearest neighbours.
2. With probability  $p$ , rewire each edge to an existing destination node.

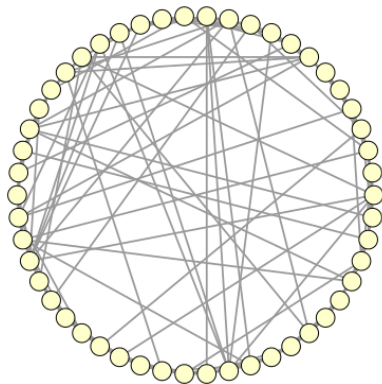


# Networkx: Smallworld networks

- NetworkX includes functions to generate graphs according to a variety of well-known models:

```
n = 50  
k = 6  
p = 0.3  
g = networkx.watts_strogatz_graph(n, k, p)
```

```
>>> networkx.average_shortest_path_length(g)  
2.4506122448979597
```



# Networkx: social network

```
import networkx as nx

g=nx.Graph() #A new (empty) undirected graph
g.add_node("Alan") #Add one new node
g.add_nodes_from(["Bob","Carol","Denise"])#Add three new nodes

#Nodes can have attributes
g.node["Alan"]["gender"]="M"
g.node["Bob"]["gender"]="M"
g.node["Carol"]["gender"]="F"
g.node["Denise"]["gender"]="F"

for n in g:
    print("{0} has gender {1}".format(n,g.node[n]["gender"]))
```

# Networkx: Edges

#Interesting graphs have edges

```
g.add_edge("Alan","Bob") #Add one new edge
```

#Add two new edges

```
g.add_edges_from([["Carol","Denise"],["Carol","Bob"]])
```

#Edge attributes

```
g.edge["Alan"]["Bob"]["relationship"]="Friends"
```

```
g.edge["Carol"]["Denise"]["relationship"]="Friends"
```

```
g.edge["Carol"]["Bob"]["relationship"]="Married"
```

#New edge with an attribute

```
g.add_edges_from([["Carol","Alan",  
    {"relationship":"Friends"}]])
```

```
for e in g.edges_iter():  
    n1=e[0]  
    n2=e[1]  
    print("{0} and {1} are {2}".format(n1,n2,  
        g.edge[n1][n2]["relationship"]))
```



# Networkx: Edges

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```
In [1]: import networkx as nx
g=nx.Graph() #A new (empty) undirected graph
g.add_node("Alan") #Add one new node
g.add_nodes_from(["Bob","Carol","Denise"])
```

```
In [2]: #Nodes can have attributes
g.node["Alan"]["gender"]="M"
g.node["Bob"]["gender"]="M"
g.node["Carol"]["gender"]="F"
g.node["Denise"]["gender"]="F"
```

```
In [3]: for n in g:
        print("{0} has gender {1}".format(n,g.node[n]["gender"]))
```

```
Denise has gender F
Bob has gender M
Carol has gender F
Alan has gender M
```

```
In [4]: #Interesting graphs have edges
g.add_edge("Alan","Bob") #Add one new edge
#Add two new edges
g.add_edges_from([["Carol","Denise"],["Carol","Bob"]])
```

```
In [5]: g.edges()
```

```
Out[5]: [('Denise', 'Carol'), ('Bob', 'Carol'), ('Bob', 'Alan')]
```

# Networkx: Edges

```
In [3]: for n in g:  
        print("{0} has gender {1}".format(n,g.node[n]["gender"]))
```

```
Denise has gender F  
Bob has gender M  
Carol has gender F  
Alan has gender M
```

```
In [4]: #Interesting graphs have edges  
g.add_edge("Alan","Bob") #Add one new edge  
#Add two new edges  
g.add_edges_from([["Carol","Denise"],["Carol","Bob"]])
```

```
In [5]: g.edges()
```

```
Out[5]: [('Denise', 'Carol'), ('Bob', 'Carol'), ('Bob', 'Alan')]
```

```
In [6]: #Edge attributes  
g.edge["Alan"]["Bob"]["relationship"]="Friends"  
g.edge["Carol"]["Denise"]["relationship"]="Friends"  
g.edge["Carol"]["Bob"]["relationship"]="Married"
```

```
In [21]: g.edge["Alan"]["Bob"]["relationship"]
```

```
Out[21]: 'Friends'
```

```
In [19]: g.node["Bob"]
```

```
Out[19]: {'gender': 'M'}
```

```
g.number_of_nodes()  
g.nodes(data=True)
```

```
g.number_of_edges()  
g.edges(data=True)
```

```
nx.info(g)  
nx.density(g)  
nx.number_connected_components(g)
```

```
nx.degree_histogram(g)  
nx.betweenness_centrality(g)
```

```
nx.clustering(g)  
nx.clustering(g, nodes=["Bob"])
```

## Networkx: Vizualise and save

```
#Save g to the file my_graph.graphml in graphml format
#prettyprint will make it nice for a human to read
nx.write_graphml(g,"my_graph.graphml",prettyprint=True)

#Layout g with the Fruchterman-Reingold force-directed
#algorithm and save the result to my_graph.png
#with_labels will label each node with its id
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

nx.draw_spring(g,with_labels=True)
plt.savefig("my_graph.png")
plt.clf() #Clear plot
```

# Networkx: Vizualise and save

```
#Read a graph from the file my_graph.graphml in graphml format
g=nx.read_graphml("my_graph.graphml")

#Create a (empty) directed graph
g=nx.DiGraph()
```

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See <http://networkx.github.io/documentation/latest/reference/index.html> for many more commands. Note that some commands are only available on directed or undirected graphs.

The End