



Graphs (an introduction)

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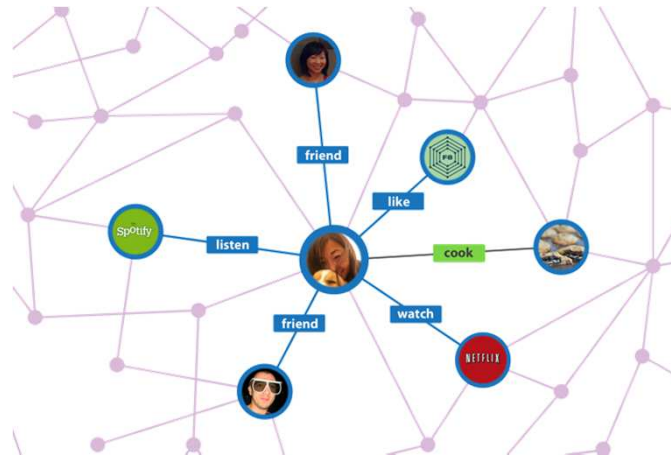


Graphs. Some applications

- **Graphs** are **discrete structures** consisting of vertices/nodes and edges that connect these vertices.
- **Graphs** have many practical applications of computer science.
- For example:
 - In a **computer network**, we can model how the computers are connected to each other as a graph. The **nodes** are the individual computers and the **edges** are the network connections.
 - In a (digitalized) **map**, nodes are intersections (or cities), and edges are roads (or highways). We may have directed edges to capture one-way streets, and weighted edges to capture distance.
 - On the **internet**, nodes are web pages, and (directed) edges are links from one web page to another.
 - In a **social network**, nodes are people, and edges are friendships. Understanding social networks is a very hot topic of research. For example, how does a network achieve "six-degrees of separation", where everyone is approximately 6 friendships away from anyway else.
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Graphs. The facebook graph



- From: <http://o7planning.org/en/10189/exploring-facebook-graph-api>.
- One Trillion Edges: Graph Processing at Facebook-Scale in: <http://www.vldb.org/pvldb/vol8/p1804-ching.pdf>

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Graphs. Preliminary definitions

Definition:

- A **directed graph** G is a structure $\langle V, E \rangle$, where V is a set of **vertices** (or **nodes**), and $E \subseteq V \times V$ is a set of **edges**.
- An **undirected graph** additionally has the property that $(u, v) \in E$ if and only if $(v, u) \in E$.

Note that:

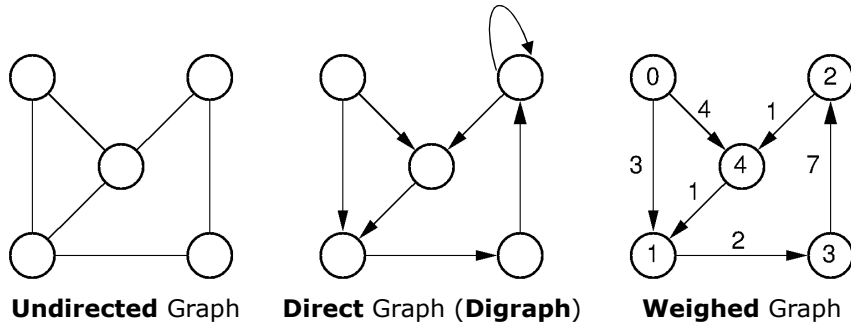
- In **directed graphs**, edge (u, v) (starting from node u , ending at node v) is different from edge (v, u) .
- We also allow "self-loops" (**loops**), i.e., edges of the form (v, v) (say, a web page may link to itself).
- In **undirected graphs**, because edge (u, v) and (v, u) must both be present or missing, we often treat a non-self-loop edge as an unordered set of two nodes (e.g., $\{u, v\}$).
- A common extension is a **weighted graph**, where each edge additionally carries a weight (a real number). The weight can have a variety of meanings in practice: distance, importance, capacity, cost, etc...

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Graphs. Preliminary definitions (cont...)



■ Examples of **Graphs**:



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Graphs. Preliminary definitions (cont...)



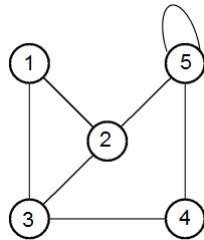
- **Vertex Degree:** the degree of a vertex corresponds to the number of edges coming out or going into a vertex.

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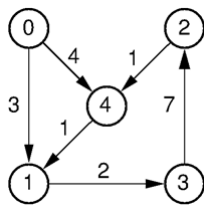
- In a **directed graph** $G = (V, E)$,
 - the **in-degree** (indegree) of a vertex $v \in V$ is the number of edges coming in to it (i.e., of the form (u, v) , $u \in V$);
 - the **out-degree** (outdegree) is the number of edges going out of it (i.e., of the form (v, u) , $u \in V$).
 - The degree of v is the sum of the **in-degree** and the **out-degree**.
- In an **undirected graph**
 - the **degree** of $v \in V$ is the number of edges going out of the vertex (i.e., of the form (v, u) , $u \in V$), with the exception that self loops (i.e., the edge (v, v)) is counted twice.
- We denote the **degree** of vertex $v \in V$ by **deg(v)**.

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Graphs. Preliminary definitions (cont...)



- $\deg(1) = 2$
- $\deg(2) = 3$
- $\deg(5) = 4 = 2 + 2$
- ...



- $\text{indegree}(1) = 2$
- $\text{outdegree}(1) = 1$
- $\deg(1) = 3 = 2 + 1$
- $\text{indegree}(0) = 0$
- $\text{outdegree}(0) = 2$
- $\deg(0) = 2 = 0 + 2$
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Graphs. Preliminary results



Theorem:

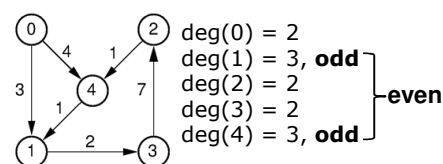
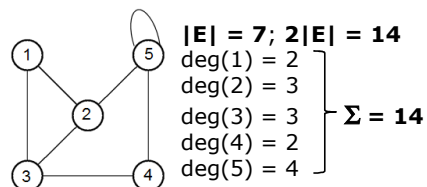
- Given a (directed or undirected) graph $G = (V, E)$,

$$2|E| = \sum_{v \in V} \deg(v).$$

Corollary:

- In a graph, the number of vertices with an odd degree is even.

Examples:



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Graphs. Preliminary results (cont...)



Theorem:

- Given a (directed or undirected) graph $G = \langle V, E \rangle$,

$$2|E| = \sum_{v \in V} \deg(v).$$

- Exercise:** How many edges are there in a graph with 12 vertices each of degree five?
- Solution:**
 - Because the sum of the degrees of the vertices is $5 \times 12 = 60$, it follows that $2|E| = 60$
 - where $|E|$ is the number of edges. Therefore, $|E| = 30$.

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Graphs. Preliminary results (cont...)

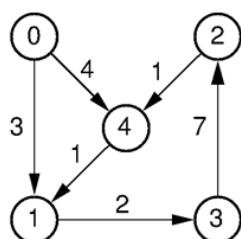


Theorem:

- Given a directed graph $G = (V, E)$,

$$|E| = \sum_{v \in V} \text{outdegree}(v) = \sum_{v \in V} \text{indegree}(v).$$

Example:



■ $|E| = 6$

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|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| ■ $\text{indegree}(0) = 0$ | $\text{outdegree}(0) = 2$ |
| ■ $\text{indegree}(1) = 2$ | $\text{outdegree}(1) = 1$ |
| ■ $\text{indegree}(2) = 1$ | $\text{outdegree}(2) = 1$ |
| ■ $\text{indegree}(3) = 1$ | $\text{outdegree}(3) = 1$ |
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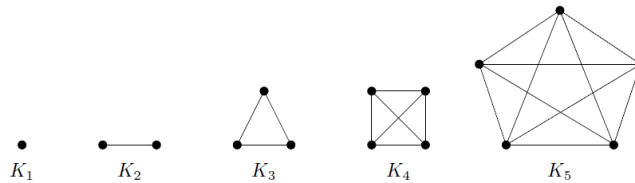
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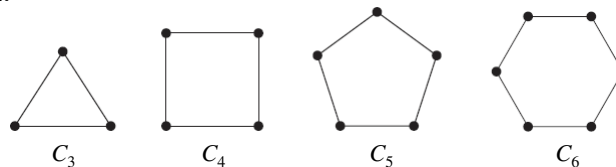
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Some classes of simple graphs

- **Simple graph** – A graph with NO loops
- **Complete Graphs** – graph on n vertices, denoted by K_n , is a simple graph that contains exactly one edge between each pair of distinct vertices.



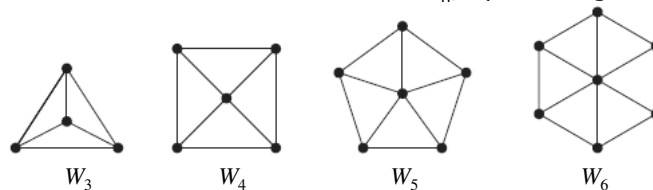
- **Cycle graphs** – a cycle C_n , $n \geq 3$, consists of n vertices v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n and edges $(v_1, v_2), (v_2, v_3), \dots, (v_{n-1}, v_n)$, and (v_n, v_1) .



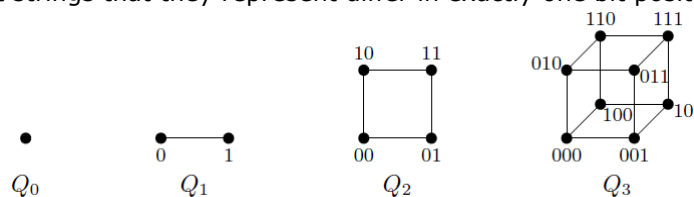
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Some classes of simple graphs (cont...)

- **Wheel graphs** – we obtain a wheel W_n when we add an additional vertex to a cycle C_n , for $n \geq 3$, and connect this new vertex to each of the n vertices in C_n by new edges.



- **n-Cubes** – an n -dimensional hypercube, or n -cube, denoted by Q_n , is a graph that has vertices representing the 2^n bit strings of length n . Two vertices are adjacent if and only if the bit strings that they represent differ in exactly one bit position

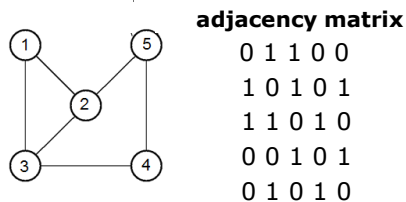


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Representing Graphs. Adjacency matrices



- Let a simple **graph** $G = (V, E)$ and assume that $|V| = n$
- In the **adjacency matrix** representation, each graph of n nodes is represented by an $n \times n$ matrix A , that is, a two-dimensional array A
- The **nodes** are (re)-labeled $1, 2, \dots, n$
 - $A_{ij} = 1$ if the edge (i, j) is an edge in the graph
 - $A_{ij} = 0$ if the edge (i, j) is **not** an edge in the graph
- Remember that, in a matrix, the first index represents the row-position, and the second the col-position.
- Example:**

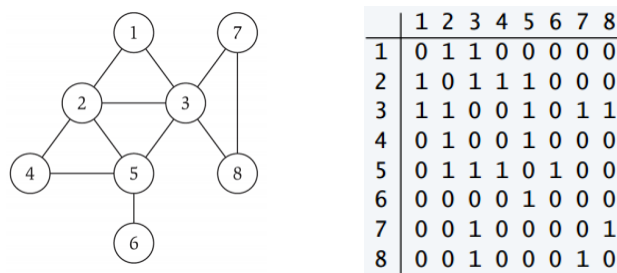


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Representing Graphs. Adjacency matrices



- Example:**



- The **adjacency matrix** of a **simple undirected graph** is symmetric, that is, $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$, because both of these entries are 1 when v_i and v_j are adjacent, and both are 0 otherwise.
- Furthermore, because a simple graph has no loops, each entry a_{ii} , $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$, is 0.

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Representing Graphs. Adjacency matrices



- Adjacency matrix representation for **digraphs??**
- Adjacency matrix representation for **weighted digraph?**

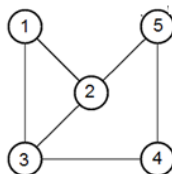
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Representing Graphs. Adjacency list



- Another way to represent a simple graph is to use **adjacency lists**, which specify the vertices that are adjacent to each vertex of the graph.

- **Example:**



adjacency list

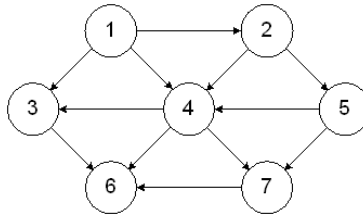
Vertex	Adjacent vertices
1	2, 3
2	1, 3, 5
3	1, 2, 4
4	3, 5
5	2, 4

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Representing Graphs. Adjacency list (cont...)



■ Example (digraph):



adjacency list (**indegree**)

Vertex	Adjacent vertices
1	- - -
2	1
3	1, 4
4	1, 2, 5
5	2
6	3, 4, 7
7	4, 5

adjacency list (**outdegree**)

Vertex	Adjacent vertices
1	2, 3, 4
2	4, 5
3	6
4	3, 6, 7
5	4, 7
6	- - -
7	6

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