



Discrete Mathematics 2025 Spring



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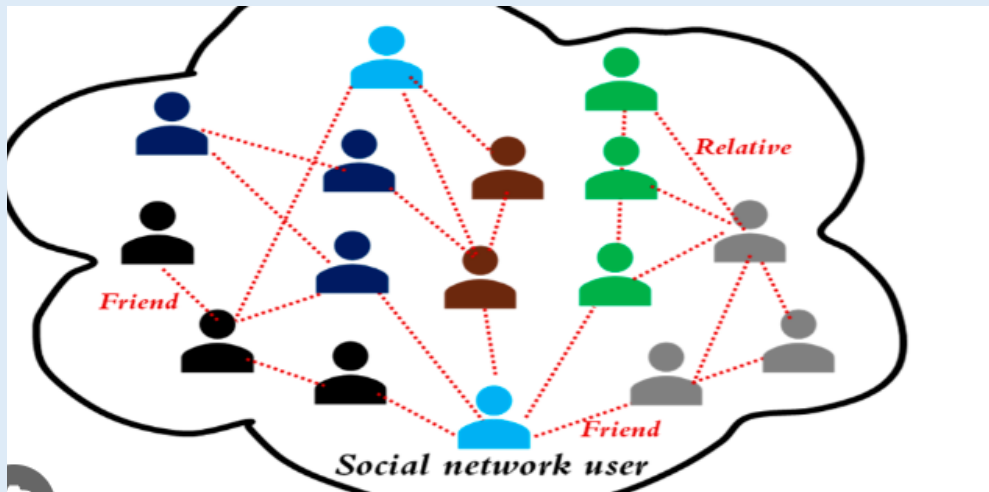
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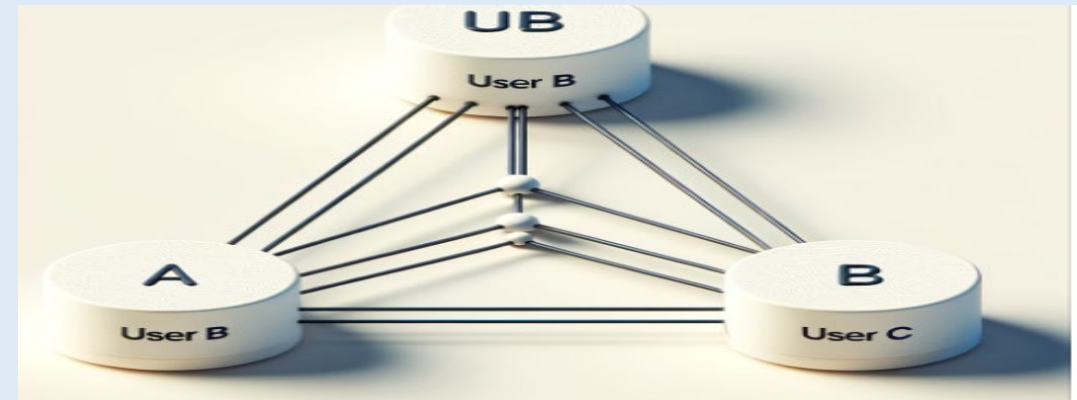
■ Social Networks

We can use a simple graph to represent whether two people know each other.



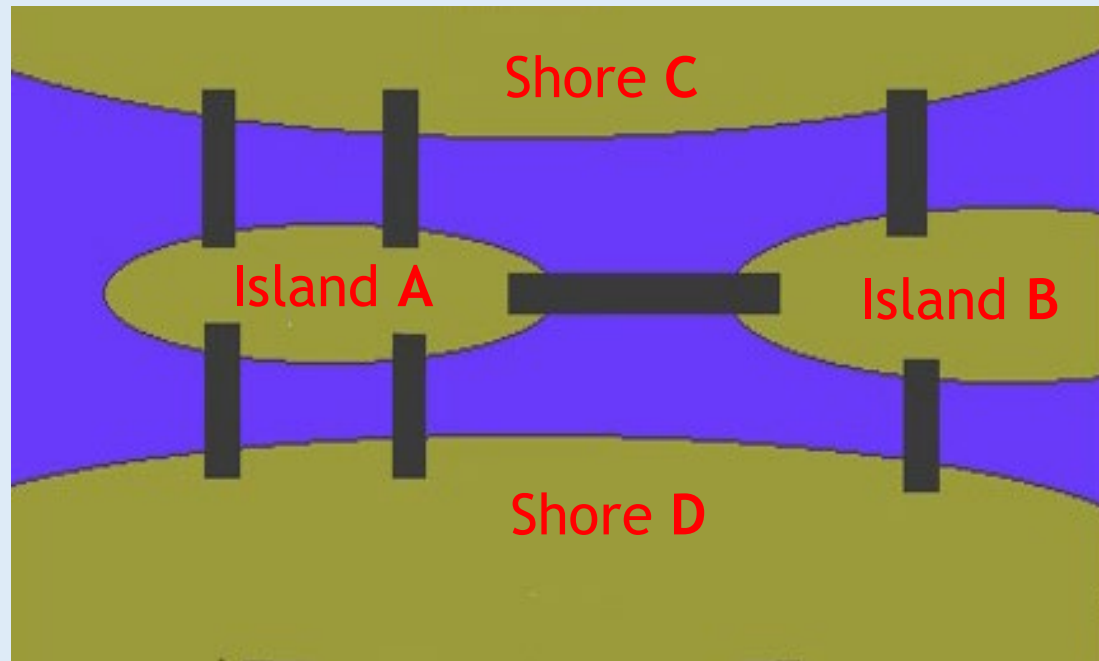
■ Communication networks

We can use vertices to represent devices and edges to represent the type of communications link of interest.



■ Transportation Networks

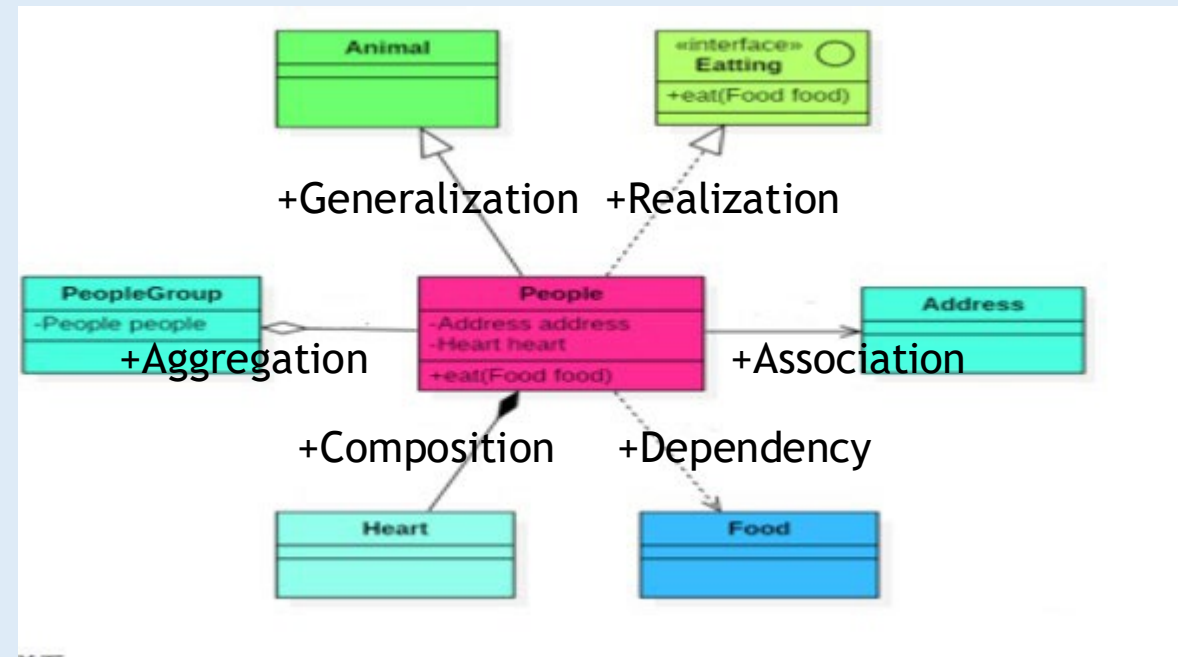
We can use a simple graph to represent roads, air and rail networks, etc...



Seven Bridges of Königsberg

■ Software design applications

We can use a simple graph to represent how different blocks interact each other.



■ Shortest Path Problem:

Given a weighted graph, find the shortest path between two nodes.

This problem can be solved using algorithms such as **Dijkstra's algorithm**, **Bellman-Ford algorithm**, and **Floyd-Warshall algorithm**.

■ Minimum Spanning Tree Problem:

Given a weighted, undirected, and connected graph, find a spanning tree with the minimum total edge weight.

This problem can be solved using algorithms such as **Kruskal's algorithm** and **Prim's algorithm**.

■ Maximum Flow Problem:

In a directed graph, find the maximum possible flow from a source node to a sink node.

This problem can be solved using algorithms such as **Ford-Fulkerson algorithm** and **Dinic's algorithm**.

■ Topological Sorting Problem:

Given a directed acyclic graph (DAG), arrange its nodes in a linear sequence such that all directed edges go from earlier to later nodes in the sequence.

This problem can be solved using **depth-first search (DFS)** and **breadth-first search (BFS)**.

■ Minimum Cut Problem:

In a weighted undirected graph, find a set of edges whose removal disconnects the graph and whose total weight is minimized.

This problem can be solved using algorithms such as the **Stoer-Wagner algorithm** and **Karger's algorithm**.

↳ Unordered Product(&) and Set Multiplicity

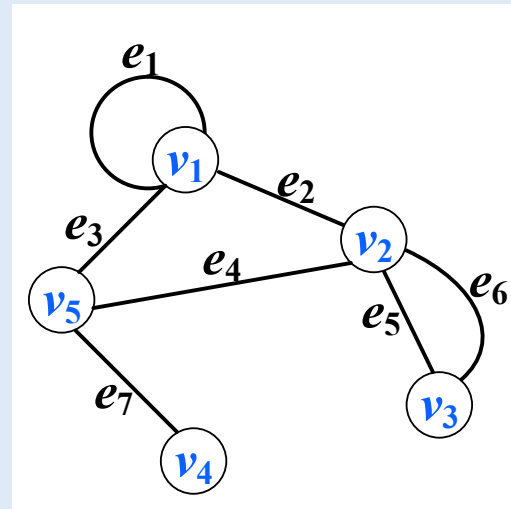
- **Unordered Pair:** A set consisting of two elements, denoted as $\{a, b\}$.
- **Unordered Product:** $A \& B = \{(x, y) \mid x \in A \wedge y \in B\}$
- **Example:** $A = \{a, b, c\}$, $B = \{1, 2\}$
 $A \& B = B \& A = \{(a, 1), (b, 1), (c, 1), (a, 2), (b, 2), (c, 2)\}$
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 $B \& B = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 2)\}$
- **Multiset:** A set in which elements are allowed to appear more than once.
- **Multiplicity:** The number of times an element appears in a multiset.
- **Example:** $S = \{a, b, b, c, c, c\}$, Then the multiplicities of a, b, c is 1, 2, 3

↳ Undirected graph $G=\langle V,E\rangle$

- **Definition 6.1:** An *undirected graph* $G=\langle V,E\rangle$, where $V\neq\emptyset$ is called the **vertex set**, and its elements are called **vertices** or **nodes**. E is a **multisubset** of the unordered product $V\times V$, and is called the **edge set**, whose elements are **undirected edges**, or simply **edges**.
 - Sometimes, we use $V(G)$ and $E(G)$ to represent the vertex set and edge set of graph G , respectively.
- **Example:** $G=\langle V,E\rangle$ as shown in the figure:

Where $V=\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_5\}$

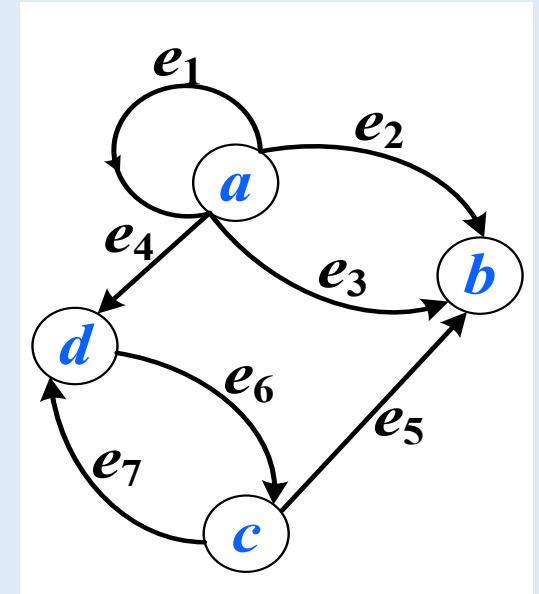
$E=\{(v_1, v_1), (v_1, v_2), (v_1, v_5),$
 $(v_2, v_3), (v_2, v_3), (v_2, v_5),$
 $(v_4, v_5)\}$



- **Definition 6.2:** A **directed graph** is denoted by $D=\langle V,E \rangle$, where $V \neq \emptyset$ is called the **vertex set**, and its elements are called **vertices** or **nodes**. E is a **multisubset** of the Cartesian product $V \times V$, and is called the **edge set**, whose elements are **directed edges**, or simply **edges**.

- Sometimes, we use $V(D)$ and $E(D)$ to represent the vertex set and edge set of the graph D , respectively.

- **Finite Graph:** A graph in which both V, E are finite sets.
- **n -Vertex Graph (Graph of Order n):** A graph with exactly n vertices.
- **Null Graph:** A graph with $E=\emptyset$.
- **Trivial Graph:** A graph with only one vertex and no edges.
- **Empty Graph:** A graph with $V=\emptyset$



↳ Vertex Degree and Adjacency in Undirected Graphs

- Let $G=\langle V,E \rangle$ be an undirected graph *and let* $e_k=(v_i, v_j)\in E$, then v_i, v_j are the end point of edge e_k , e_k is said to be incident to $v_i (v_j)$.
 - If $v_i \neq v_j$, the incidence number of e_k with respect to $v_i (v_j)$ is 1.
 - If $v_i = v_j$, the incidence number of e_k with respect to v_i is 2.
 - If v_i is not an endpoint of edge e , then the incidence number of e with respect to v_i is 0.
- Let $v_i, v_j \in V$, $e_k, e_l \in E$, if $(v_i, v_j) \in E$, then v_i, v_j *adjacent*.
 - If e_k, e_l share a common endpoint, then they are said to be *adjacent edges*.

- Let directed graph $D=\langle V,E\rangle$, $e_k=\langle v_i,v_j\rangle\in E$, then v_i , v_j are called *endpoint of e_k* , v_i is e_k *start vertex*, v_j is e_k *end vertex*.
 - The edge e_k is said to be incident from v_i (v_j).
 - If the head of edge e_k is the tail of edge e_l , then e_k and e_l are said to be *adjacent edges*.
- In both undirected and directed graphs, an edge that connects a vertex to itself is called a *loop*. A vertex with no incident edges is referred to as an *isolated vertex*.

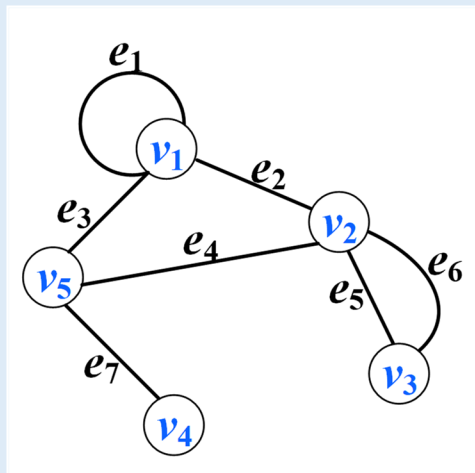
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↳ The Degree of a Vertex in an Undirected G

- Let $G=\langle V,E\rangle$ be an undirected graph, $v\in V$,
 - The **degree $d(v)$** of a vertex v : the number of edges incident to v .
 - A **pendant vertex**: a vertex with degree 1.
 - A **pendant edge**: an edge that is incident to a pendant vertex.
 - The **maximum degree** of G : $\Delta(G)=\max\{d(v) \mid v\in V\}$.
 - The **minimum degree** of G : $\delta(G)=\min\{d(v) \mid v\in V\}$.

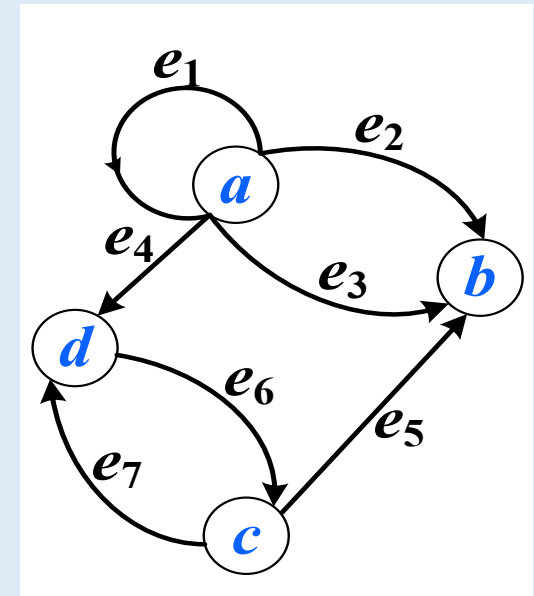
■ For example :



$d(v_5)=3$, $d(v_2)=4$, $d(v_1)=4$,
 $\Delta(G)=4$, $\delta(G)=1$,
 v_4 is a pendant vertex, e_7 is
a pendant edge, e_1 is a loop.

↳ The Degree of a Vertex in an directed Graph

- Let $D = \langle V, E \rangle$ to be a directed graph, $v \in V$,
 - The **out-degree** $d^+(v)$: the number of edges where v is the starting point.
 - The **in-degree** $d^-(v)$: the number of edges where v is the ending point.
 - The **degree** $d(v)$ of a vertex v : the total number of edges incident to v (as either the starting or ending point). $d(v) = d^+(v) + d^-(v)$.
- Maximum and minimum out-degree in D : $\Delta^+(D), \delta^+(D)$
- Maximum and minimum in-degree in D : $\Delta^-(D), \delta^-(D)$
- Maximum and minimum total degree in D : $\Delta(D), \delta(D)$
- Example: $d^+(a)=4, d^-(a)=1, d(a)=5$,
 $d^+(b)=0, d^-(b)=3, d(b)=3$,
 $\Delta^+=4, \delta^+=0, \Delta^-=3, \delta^-=1, \Delta=5, \delta=3$



- **Theorem 6.1:** In any graph (undirected or directed), the *sum of the degrees* of all vertices is equal to twice the number of edges ($\sum_{i=1}^n d(v_i) = 2m$).
 - **Proof:** Each edge in the graph (including loops) has two endpoints. Therefore, when summing the degrees of all vertices, each edge contributes 2 to the total degree.
 - With m edges, the total degree is $\sum d(v) = 2m$.
- **Corollary:** Any graph (undirected or directed) has an *even number of vertices* with *odd degree*.
- **Theorem 6.2:** In a directed graph, the sum of the in-degrees of all vertices equals the sum of the out-degrees, and both are equal to the number of edges ($\sum_{i=1}^n d^+(v_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n d^-(v_i) = m$).
 - **Proof:** Each edge contributes exactly one in-degree and one out-degree.

6.1.2 Vertex Degree and the Handshaking Lemma

↳ The degree sequence of the graph

- Let the vertex set of an undirected graph G be $V=\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$.

- The **degree sequence** of G : $d(v_1), d(v_2), \dots, d(v_n)$

- **Example:**

The degree sequence of Figure 1 is: 4, 4, 2, 1, 3.

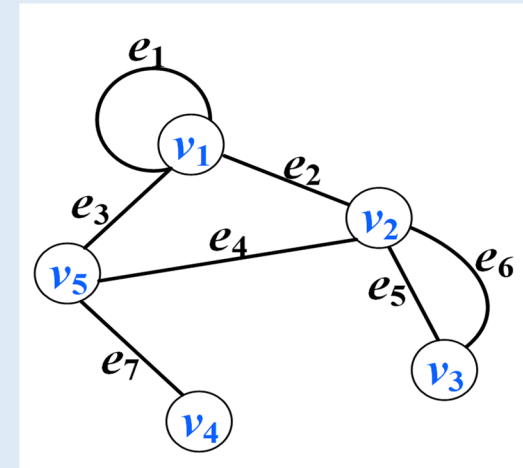
- Let the vertex set of a directed graph D be

$$V=\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$$

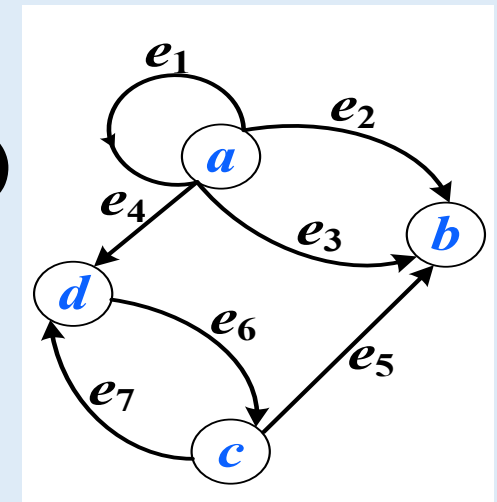
- The **degree sequence of D** is: $d(v_1), d(v_2), \dots, d(v_n)$
- The **out-degree sequence** of D is: $d^+(v_1), d^+(v_2), \dots, d^+(v_n)$
- The **in-degree sequence** of D is: $d^-(v_1), d^-(v_2), \dots, d^-(v_n)$

- **Example:** In the Figure 2 :

- Degree sequence :5,3,3,3
- Out-degree sequence:4,0,2,1
- In-degree sequence:1,3,1,2



(Figure 1)



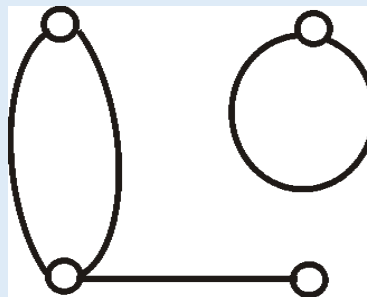
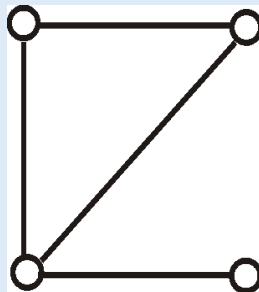
(Figure 2)

■ **Example 1:** Can the following two sets of numbers be the degree sequences of an undirected graph?

(1) 3,3,3,4; (2) 1,2,2,3

Solve: (1) No. odd numbers odd degree.

(2) Yes.



■ **Example 2:** Given that graph G has 10 edges and 4 vertices of degree 3, and the degrees of all remaining vertices are less than or equal to 2, what is the minimum number of vertices in G ?

■ **Solution:** Suppose graph G has n vertices. By the Handshaking Lemma, if n people each shake hands x times, the total number of handshakes is $S = nx/2$.

$$4 \times 3 + 2 \times (n - 4) \geq 2 \times 10, \text{ Solve } n \geq 8$$

■ **Example 3:** Given a directed graph of order 5, the degree sequence and out-degree sequence are respectively 3,3,2,3,3, and 1,2,1,2,1. Find its in-degree sequence.

Solve 2,1,1,1,2