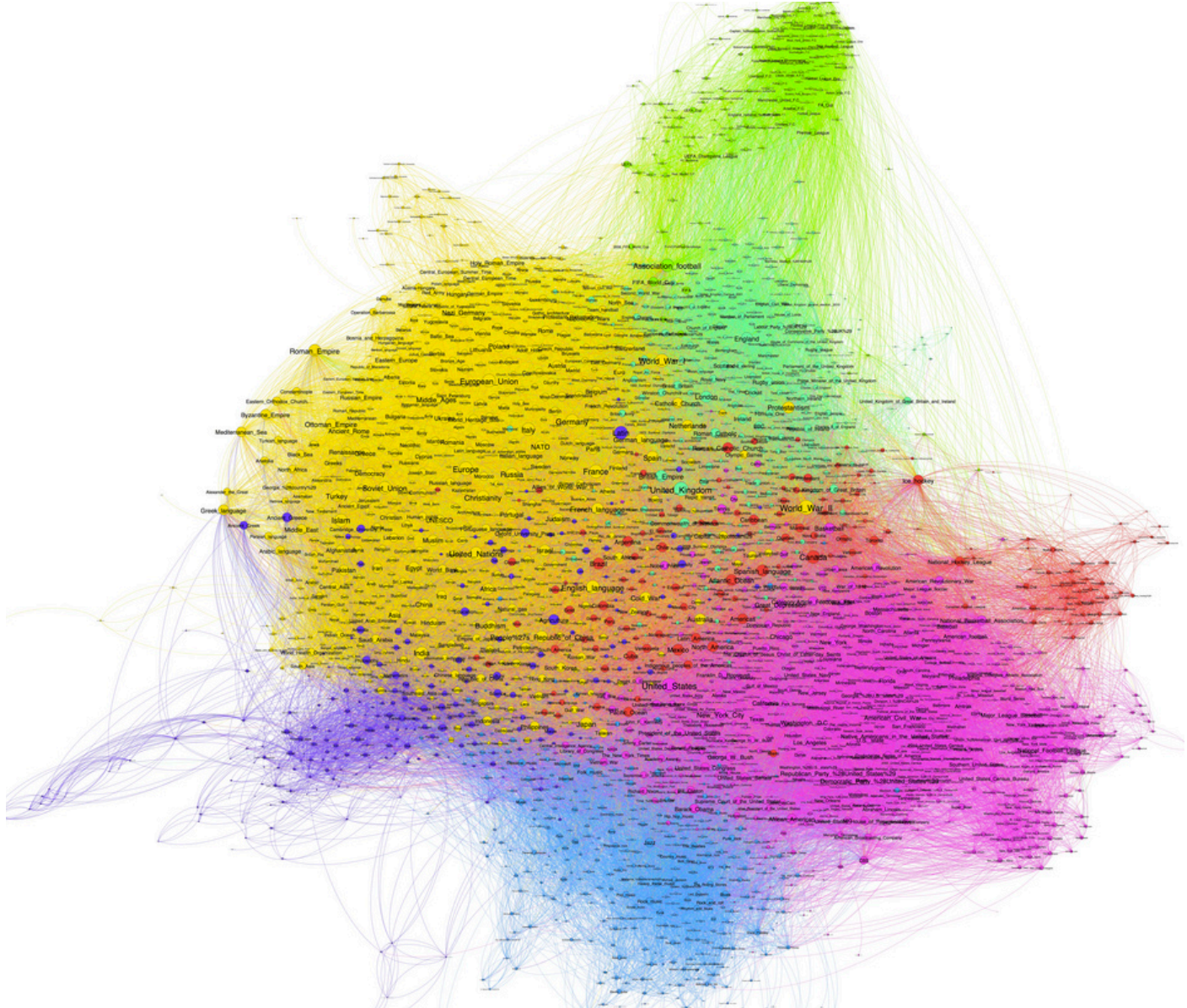


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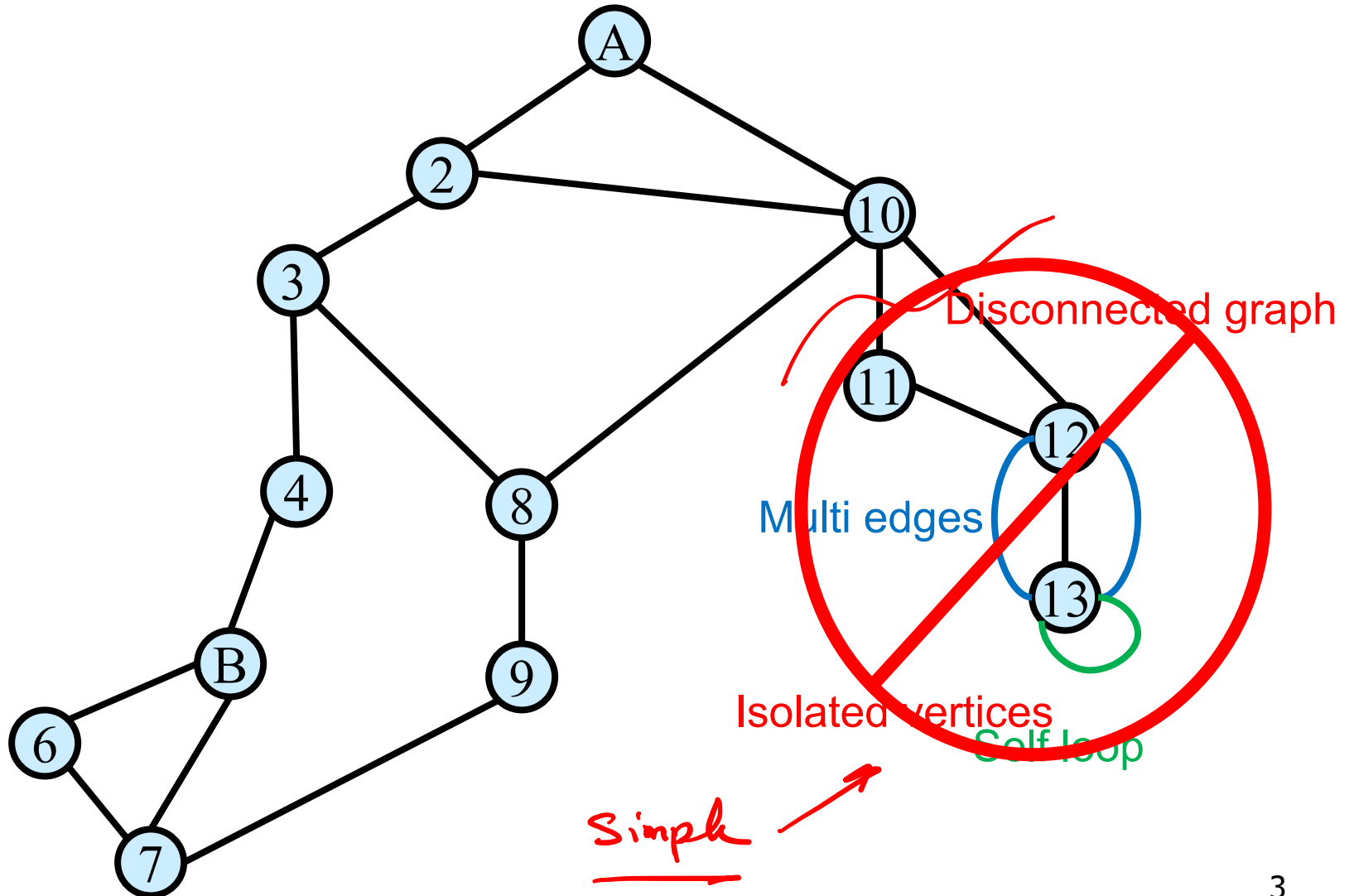
## **Induction - Graphs**

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# Graphs



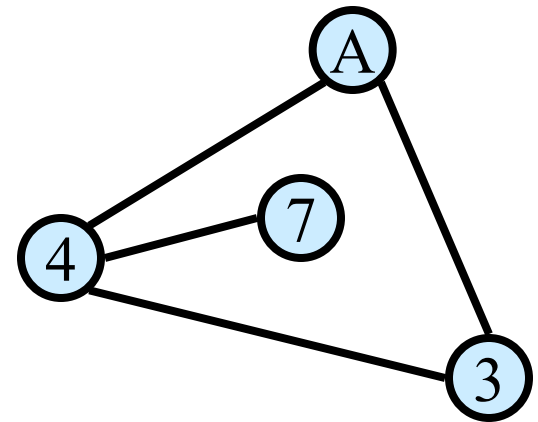
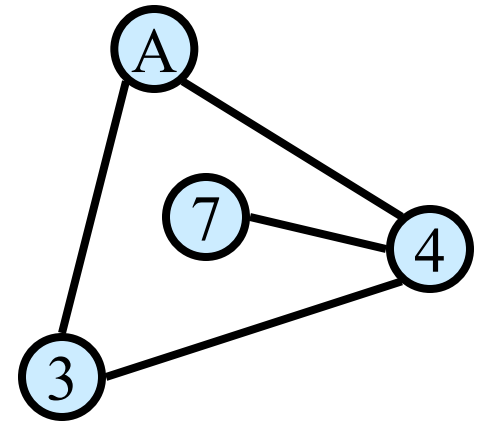
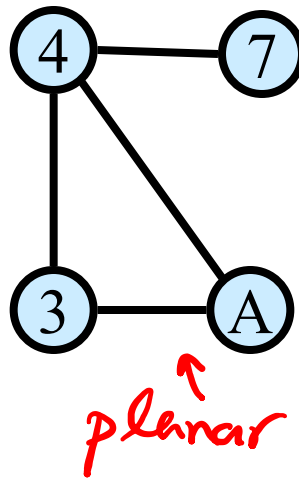
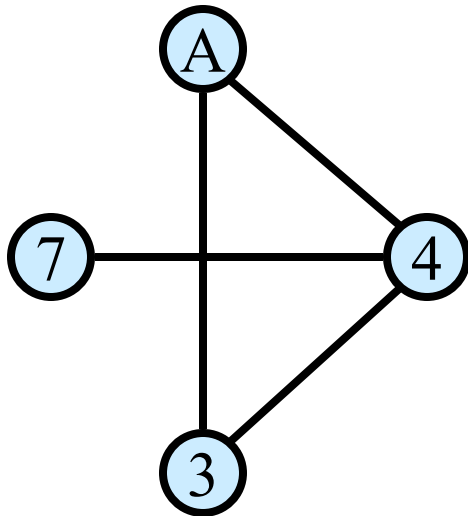
# Undirected Graphs $G=(V,E)$



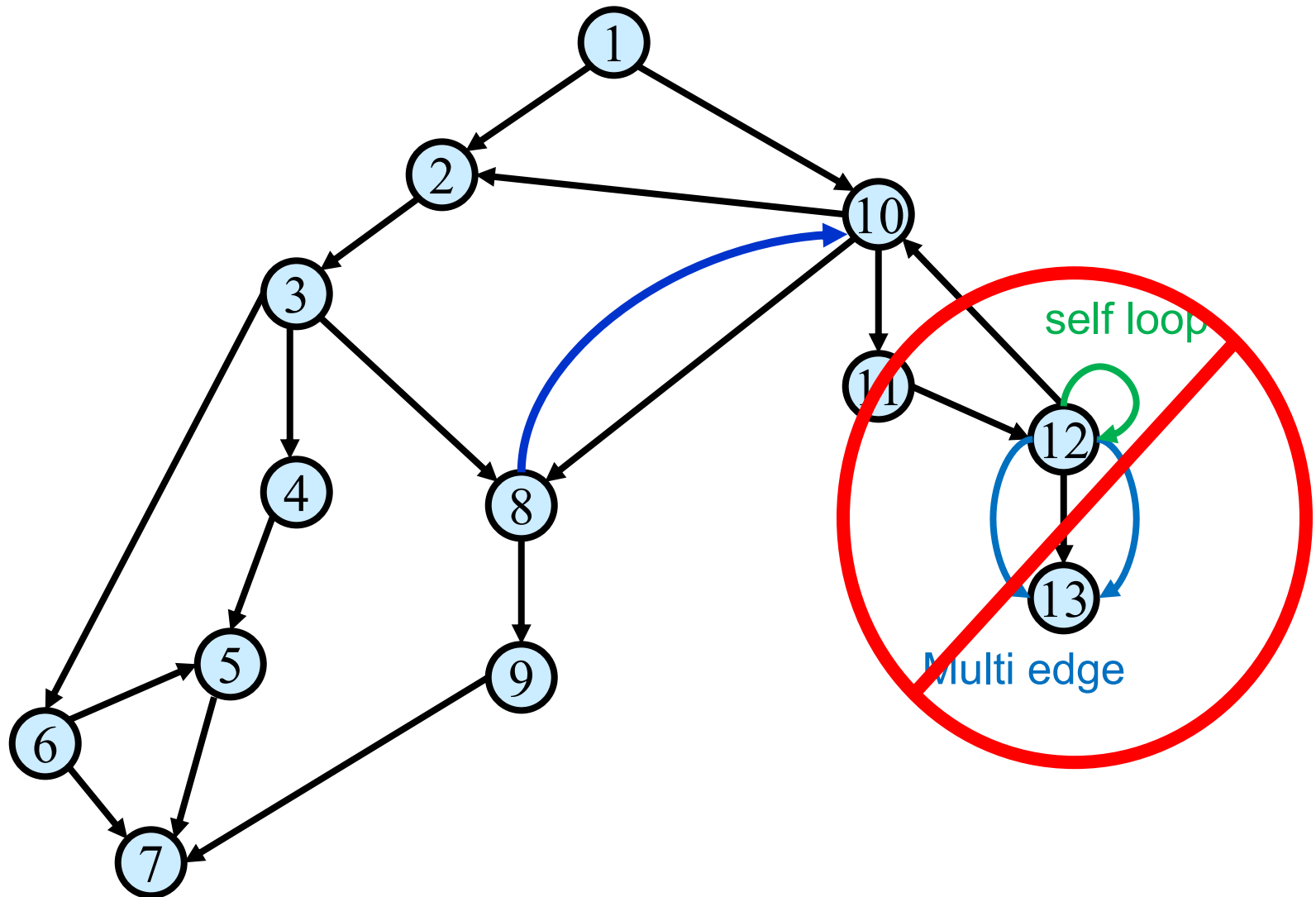
# Graphs don't Live in Flat Land

Geometrical drawing is mentally convenient, but mathematically irrelevant:

4 drawings of a single graph:

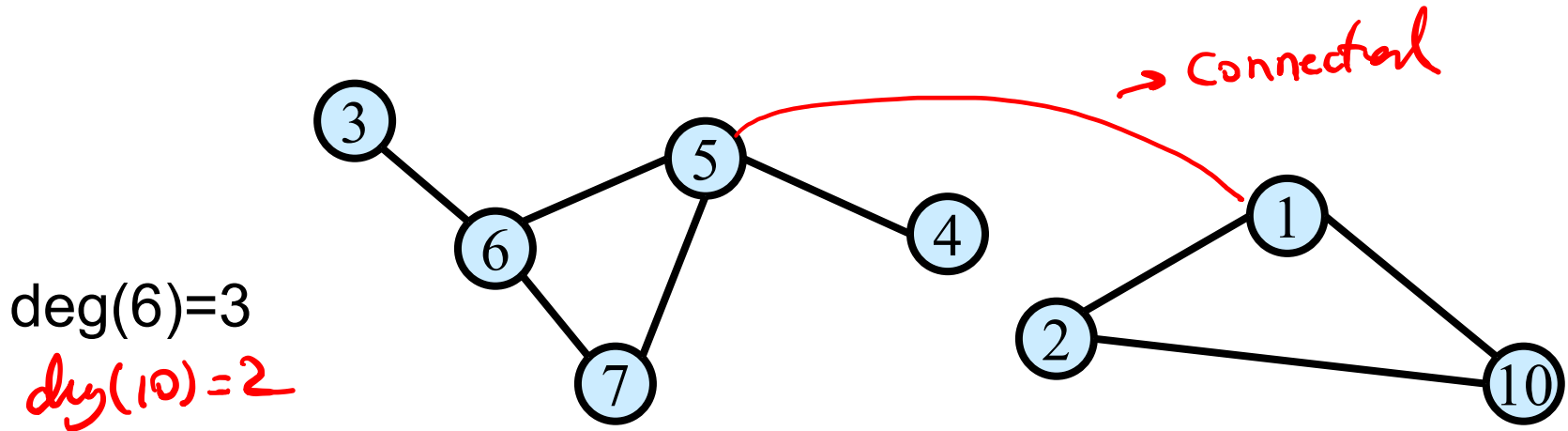


# Directed Graphs

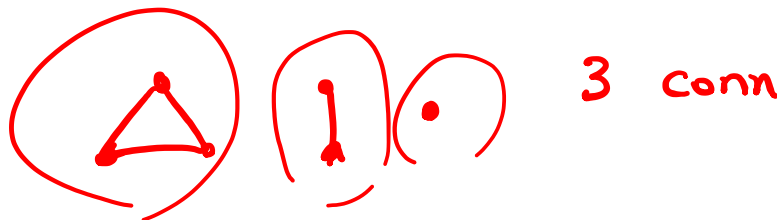


# Terminology

- **Degree of a vertex**: # edges that touch that vertex

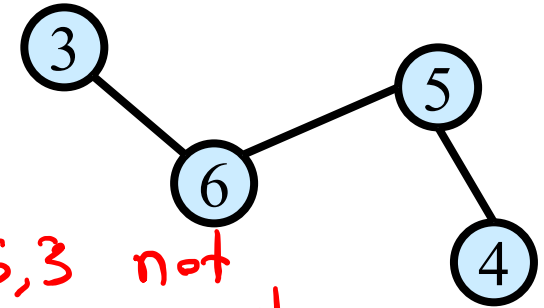


- **Connected**: Graph is connected if there is a path between every two vertices
- **Connected component**: Maximal set of connected vertices



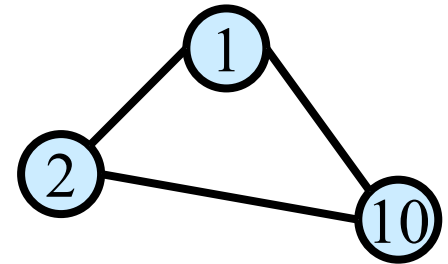
# Terminology (cont'd)

- **Path**: A sequence of distinct vertices s.t. each vertex is connected to the next vertex with an edge

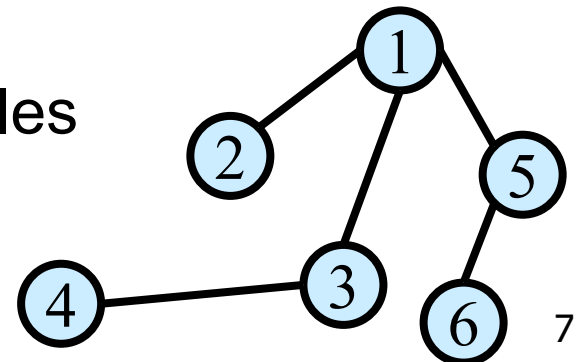


3, 6, 5, 3 not a path

- **Cycle**: Path of length  $> 2$  that has the same start and end



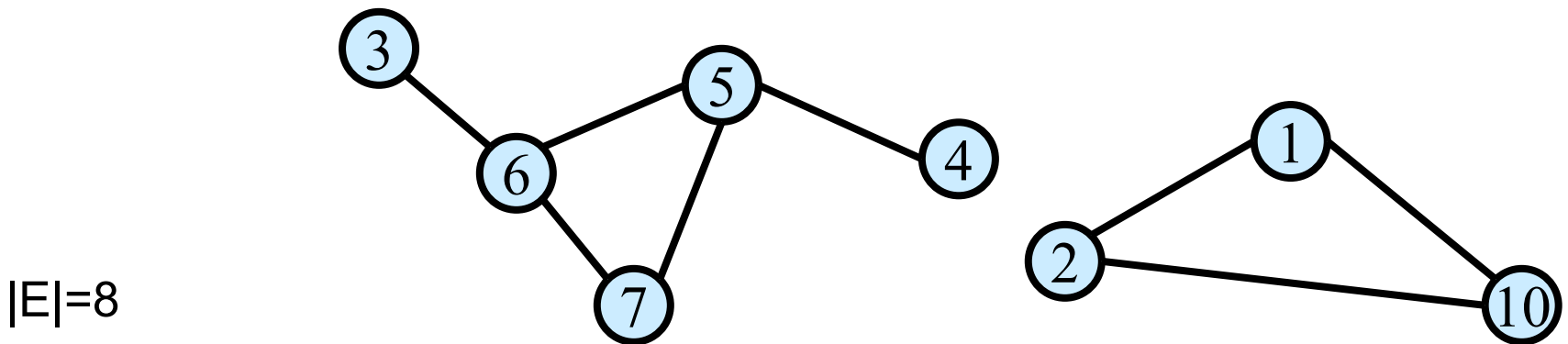
- **Tree**: A connected graph with no cycles



# Degree Sum

**Claim:** In any undirected graph, the number of edges is equal to  $(1/2) \sum_{\text{vertex } v} \deg(v)$

**Pf:**  $\sum_{\text{vertex } v} \deg(v)$  counts every edge of the graph exactly twice; once from each end of the edge.



$$\sum_{\text{vertex } v} \deg(v) = 2 + 2 + 1 + 1 + 3 + 2 + 3 + 2 = 16$$

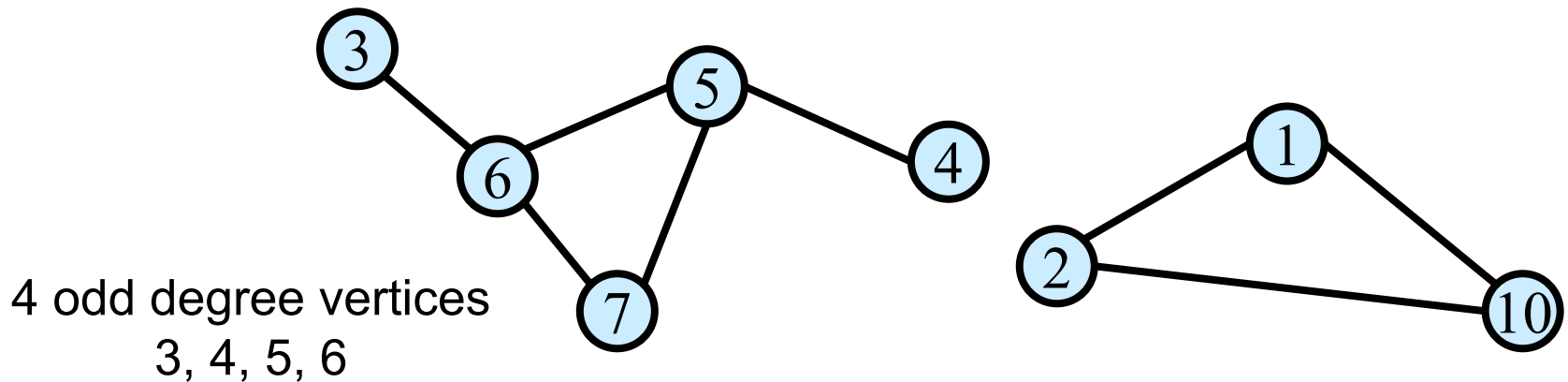


# Odd Degree Vertices

**Claim:** In any undirected graph, the number of odd degree vertices is even

**Pf:** In previous claim we showed sum of all vertex degrees is even. So there must be even number of odd degree vertices, because sum of odd number of odd numbers is odd.

*sum of odd number of odd numbers is odd.*



# Degree 1 vertices

**Claim:** If  $G$  has no cycle, then it has a vertex of degree  $\leq 1$   
(So, every tree has a leaf)

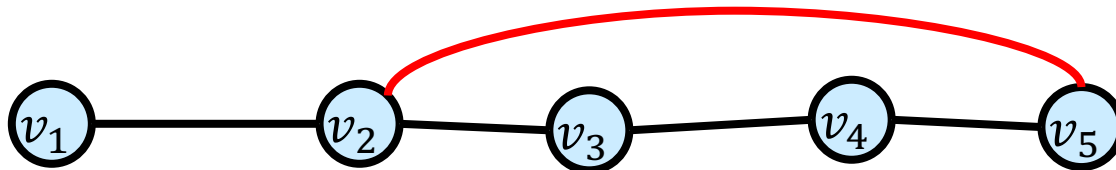
**Pf:** (By contradiction)

Suppose every vertex has degree  $\geq 2$ .

Start from a vertex  $v_1$  and follow a path,  $v_1, \dots, v_i$  when we are at  $v_i$  we choose the next vertex to be different from  $v_{i-1}$ . We can do so because  $\deg(v_i) \geq 2$ .

The first time that we see a repeated vertex ( $v_j = v_i$ ) we get a cycle.

We always get a repeated vertex because  $G$  has finitely many vertices



# Trees and Induction

**Claim:** Show that every tree with  $n$  vertices has  $n-1$  edges.

**Pf:** By induction.

**Base Case:**  $n=1$ , the tree has no edge

**IH:** Suppose every tree with  $n-1$  vertices has  $n-2$  edges

**IS:** Let  $T$  be a tree with  $n$  vertices.

So,  $T$  has a vertex  $v$  of degree 1.

Remove  $v$  and the neighboring edge, and let  $T'$  be the new graph.

We claim  $T'$  is a tree: It has no cycle, and it must be connected.

So,  $T'$  has  $n-2$  edges and  $T$  has  $n-1$  edges.

# #edges

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph with  $n = |V|$  vertices and  $m = |E|$  edges.

**Claim:**  $0 \leq m \leq \binom{n}{2} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} = O(n^2)$

**Pf:** Since every edge connects two distinct vertices (i.e.,  $G$  has no loops)

and no two edges connect the same pair of vertices (i.e.,  $G$  has no multi-edges)

It has at most  $\binom{n}{2}$  edges.

# Sparse Graphs

A graph is called **sparse** if  $m \ll n^2$  and it is called **dense** otherwise.

Sparse graphs are very common in practice

- Friendships in social network
- Planar graphs
- Web braph

Q: Which is a better running time  $O(n + m)$  vs  $O(n^2)$ ?

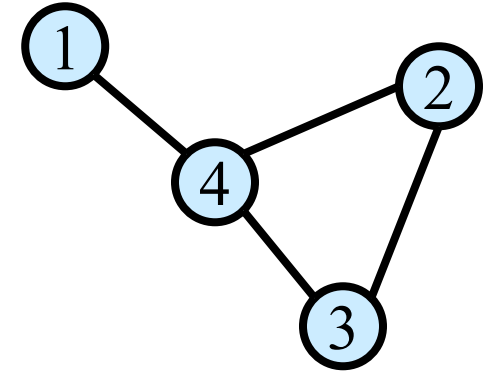
**A:**  $O(n + m) = O(n^2)$ , but  $O(n + m)$  is usually much better.

# Storing Graphs (Internally in ALG)

Vertex set  $V = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ .

**Adjacency Matrix:**  $A$

- For all,  $i, j, A[i, j] = 1$  iff  $(v_i, v_j) \in E$
- Storage:  $n^2$  bits



	1	2	3	4
1	0	0	0	1
2	0	0	1	1
3	0	1	0	1
4	1	1	1	0

**Advantage:**

- $O(1)$  test for presence or absence of edges

**Disadvantage:**

- Inefficient for sparse graphs both in storage and edge-access

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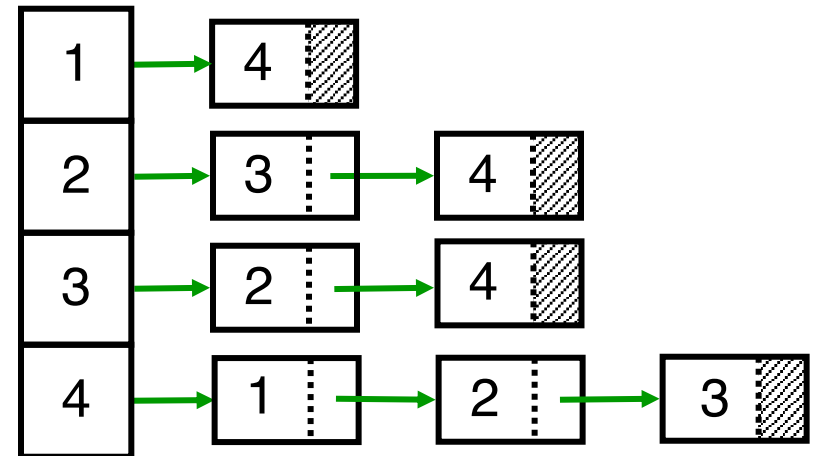
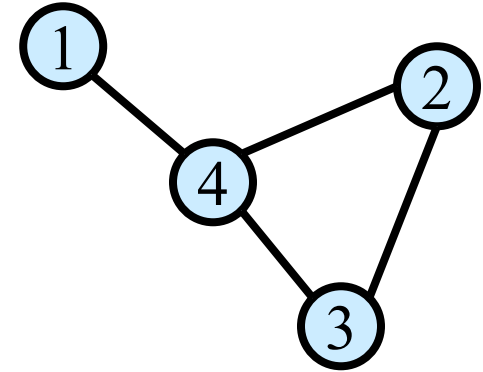
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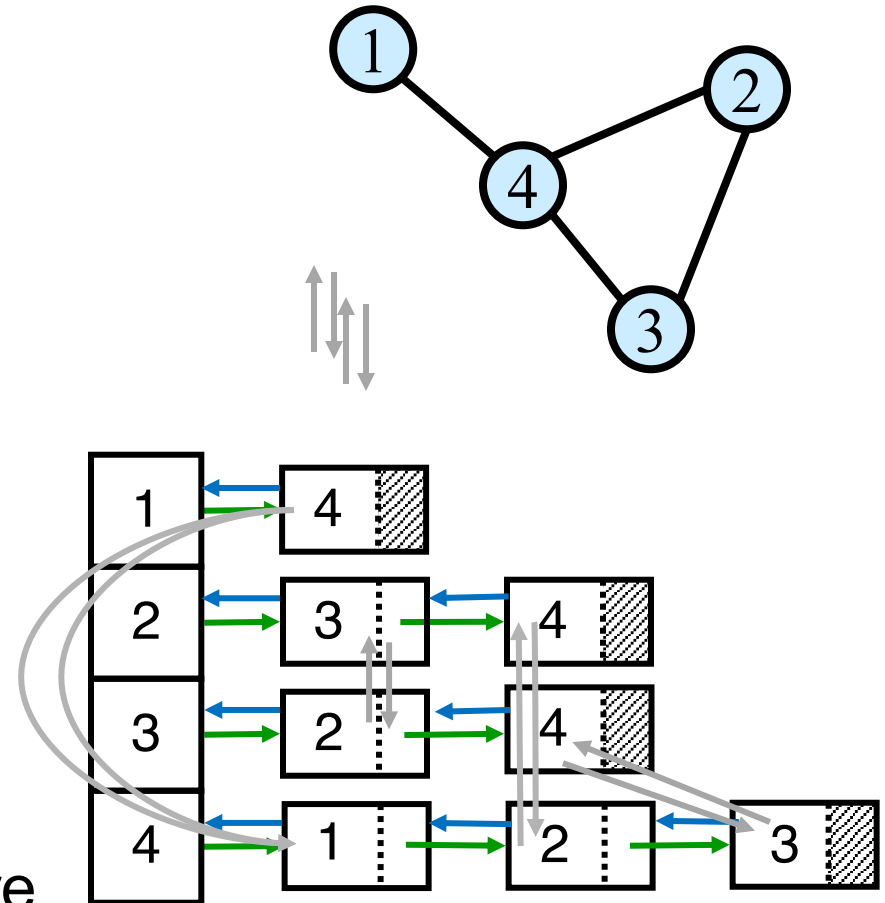
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# Graph Traversal

**Walk (via edges)** from a fixed starting vertex  $s$  to all vertices reachable from  $s$ .

- Breadth First Search (BFS): Order nodes in successive layers based on distance from  $s$
- Depth First Search (DFS): More natural approach for exploring a maze; many efficient algs build on it.

Applications:

- Finding Connected components of a graph
- Testing Bipartiteness
- Finding Articulation points

# Breadth First Search (BFS)

Completely **explore** the vertices in order of their distance from  $s$ .

Three states of vertices:

- Undiscovered
- **Discovered**
- **Fully-explored**

Naturally implemented using a queue

The queue will always have the list of Discovered vertices

# BFS implementation

**Global initialization:** mark all vertices "undiscovered"

BFS(s)

- mark s "discovered"

- queue = { s }

- while queue not empty

  - u = remove\_first(queue)

  - for each edge {u,x}

    - if (x is undiscovered)

      - mark x discovered

      - append x on queue

  - mark u fully-explored