

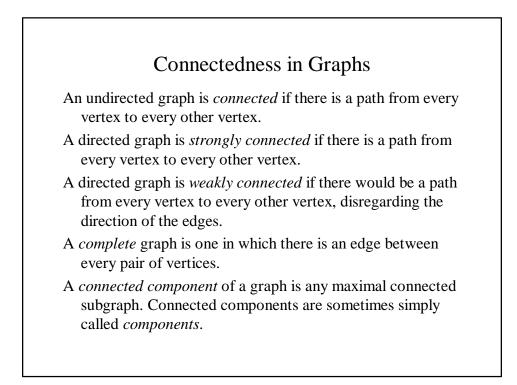
Paths in Graphs

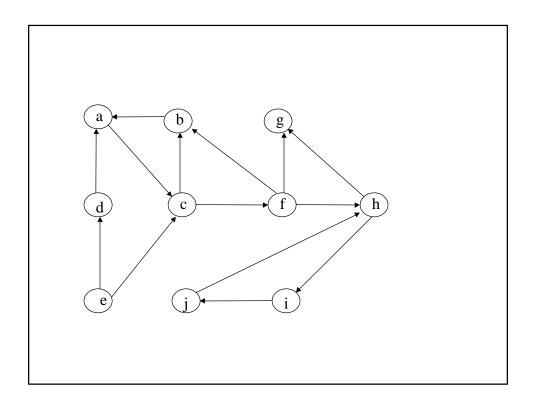
A *path* in a graph is a sequence of vertices $w_1, w_2, w_3, ..., w_n$ such that $(w_i, w_{i+1}) \in E$ for $1 \le i < n$.

The *length* of a path in a graph is the number of edges on the path. The length of the path from a vertex to itself is 0.

- A *simple path* is a path such that all vertices are distinct, except that the first and last may be the same.
- A cycle in a graph is a path $w_1, w_2, w_3, ..., w_n$, $w \in V$ such that:
 - there are at least two vertices on the path
 - $w_1 = w_n$ (the path starts and ends on the same vertex)
 - if any part of the path contains the subpath w_i , w_j , w_i , then each of the edges in the subpath is distinct.

A simple cycle is one in which the path is simple.





A Graph ADT

Has some data elements

- vertices
- edges

Has some operations

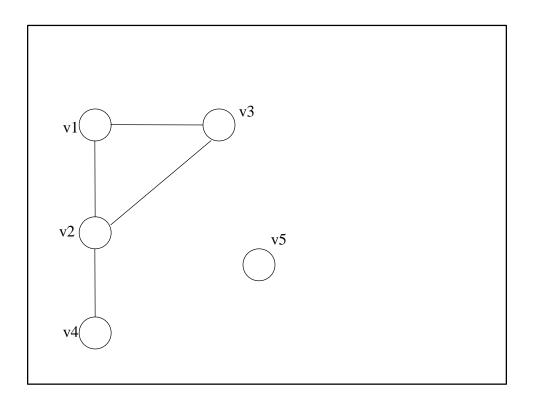
- getDegree(u) -- returns the degree of vertex u (undirected graph)
- getInDegree(u) -- returns the indegree of vertex u (directed graph)
- getOutDegree(u) -- returns the outdegree of veretx u (directed graph)
- getAdjacent(u) -- returns a list of the vertices adjacent from a vertex u (directed and undirected graphs)
- isConnected(u,v) -- returns TRUE if vertices u and v are connected, FALSE otherwise (directed and undirected graphs)

Graph Traversals Like trees, can be traversed breadth-first or depth-first.

- Use stack for depth-first traversal.
- Use queue for breadth-first traversal.

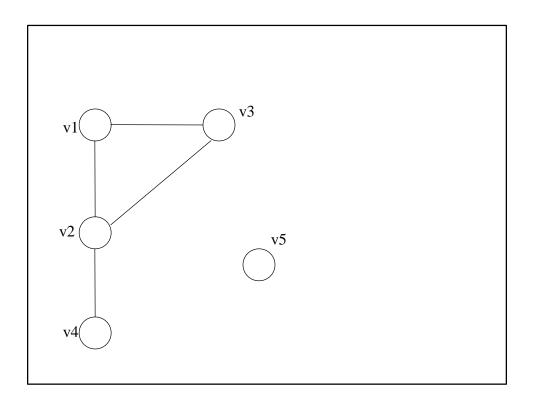
Unlike trees, need to specifically guard against repeating a path from a cycle. Can mark each vertex as "visited" when we encounter it and not consider visited vertices more than once.

Breadth-First Traversal



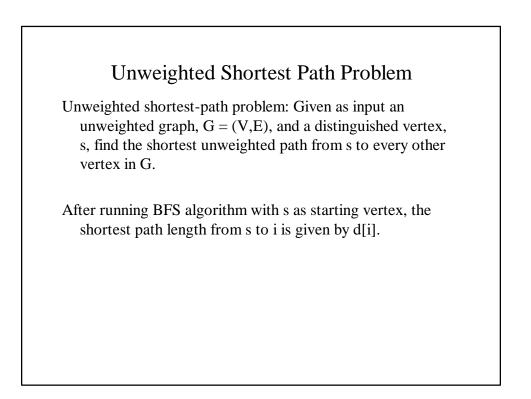
Depth First Traversal

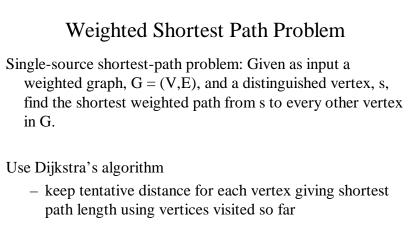
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dfs(Graph G) {
  for (each v ∈ V)
    dfs(v)
  }
dfs(Vertex v) {
  markVisited(v);
  for(each vertex w adjacent from u)
    if ( w is not marked as visited)
        dfs(w)
  }
```



DFS (stack version)

```
Stack s = new Stack();
GraphVertex u;
GraphVertex startvertex = graph.getStartVertex();
s.push(startvertex);
markVisited(startvertex);
while (!s.isEmpty()) {
    u = s.Pop();
    for (each vertex w adjacent to u)
        if (w is not marked as visited) {
            markVisited(w);
               s.push(w);
               }
    }
}
```





- keep vertex before this vertex (to allow printing of path)
- at each step choose the vertex with smallest distance among the unvisited vertices (greedy algorithm)

