

Let us switch to a new topic:

• Graphs

Introduction to Graphs

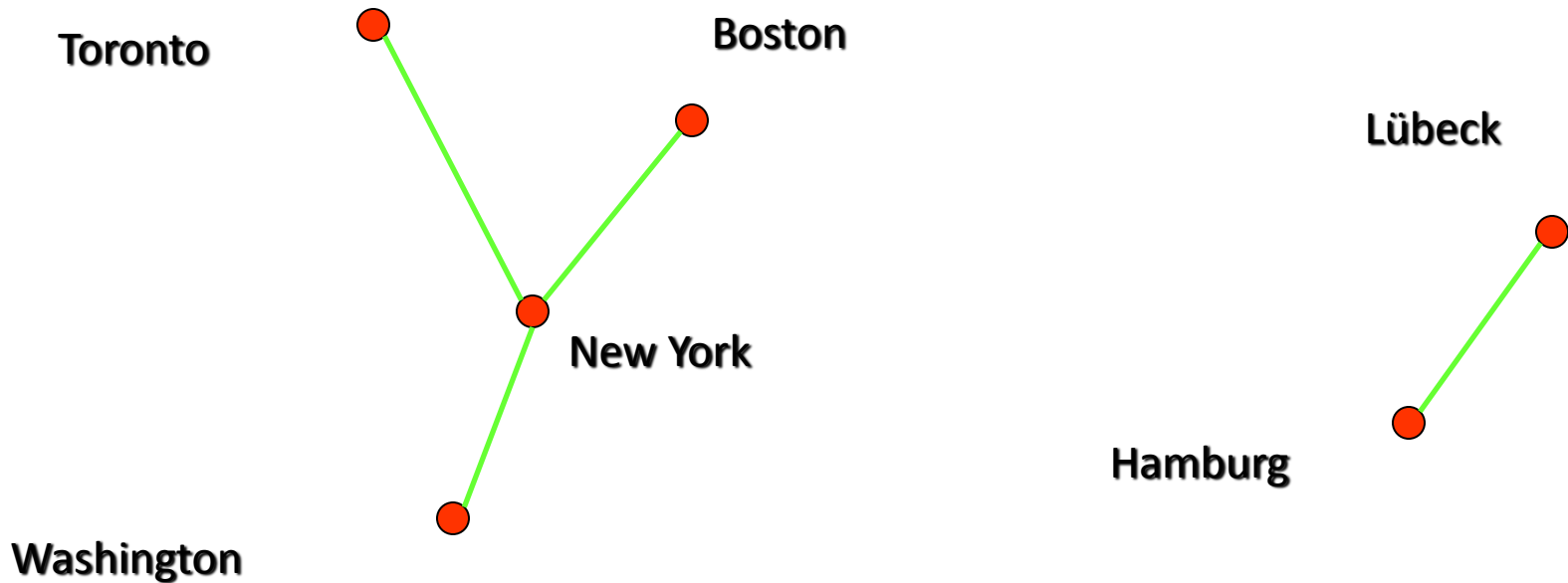
- **Definition:** A **simple graph** $G = (V, E)$ consists of V , a nonempty set of vertices, and E , a set of **unordered pairs** of **distinct** elements of V called edges.
- For each $e \in E$, $e = \{u, v\}$ where $u, v \in V$.
- An undirected graph (not simple) may contain loops. An edge e is a loop if $e = \{u, u\}$ for some $u \in V$.

Introduction to Graphs

- **Definition:** A **directed graph** $G = (V, E)$ consists of a set V of vertices and a set E of edges that are ordered pairs of elements in V .
- For each $e \in E$, $e = (u, v)$ where $u, v \in V$.
- An edge e is a loop if $e = (u, u)$ for some $u \in V$.
- A simple graph is just like a directed graph, but with no specified direction of its edges.

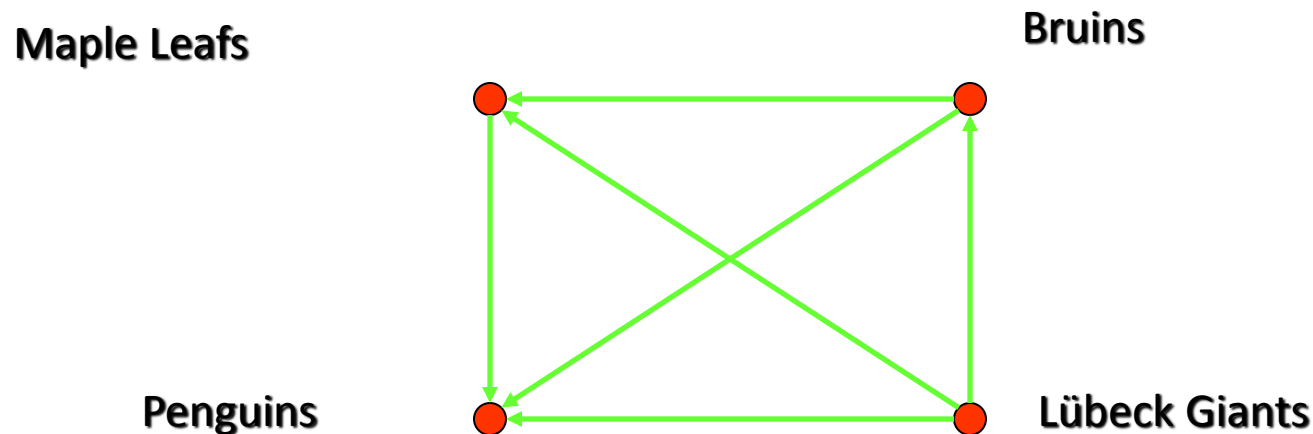
Graph Models

- **Example 1:** How can we represent a network of (bi-directional) railways connecting a set of cities?
- We should use a **simple graph** with an edge $\{a, b\}$ indicating a direct train connection between cities a and b .



Graph Models

- **Example II:** In a round-robin tournament, each team plays against each other team exactly once. How can we represent the results of the tournament (which team beats which other team)?
- We should use a **directed graph** with an edge (a, b) indicating that team a beats team b.



Graph Terminology

- **Definition:** Two vertices u and v in an undirected graph G are called **adjacent** (or **neighbors**) in G if $\{u, v\}$ is an edge in G .
- If $e = \{u, v\}$, the edge e is called **incident with** the vertices u and v . The edge e is also said to **connect** u and v .
- The vertices u and v are called **endpoints** of the edge $\{u, v\}$.

Graph Terminology

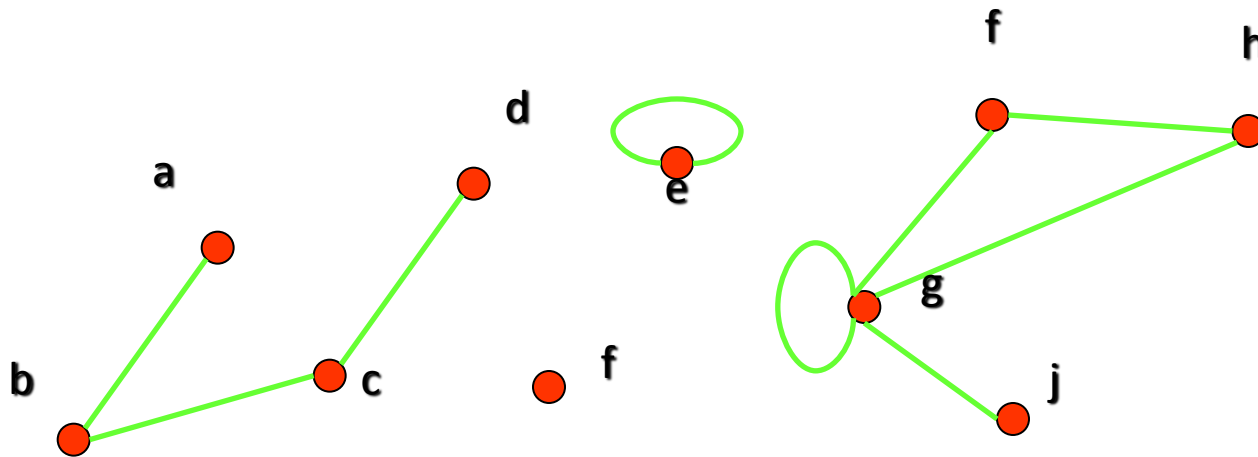
- **Definition:** The **degree** of a vertex in an undirected graph is the number of edges incident with it, except that a loop at a vertex contributes twice to the degree of that vertex.
- In other words, you can determine the degree of a vertex in a displayed graph by **counting the lines** that touch it.
- The degree of the vertex v is denoted by **$\deg(v)$** .

Graph Terminology

- A vertex of degree 0 is called **isolated**, since it is not adjacent to any vertex.
- Note:** A vertex with a **loop** at it has at least degree 2 and, by definition, is **not isolated**, even if it is not adjacent to any **other** vertex.
- A vertex of degree 1 is called **pendant**. It is adjacent to exactly one other vertex.

Graph Terminology

• **Example:** Which vertices in the following graph are isolated, which are pendant, and what is the maximum degree? What type of graph is it?

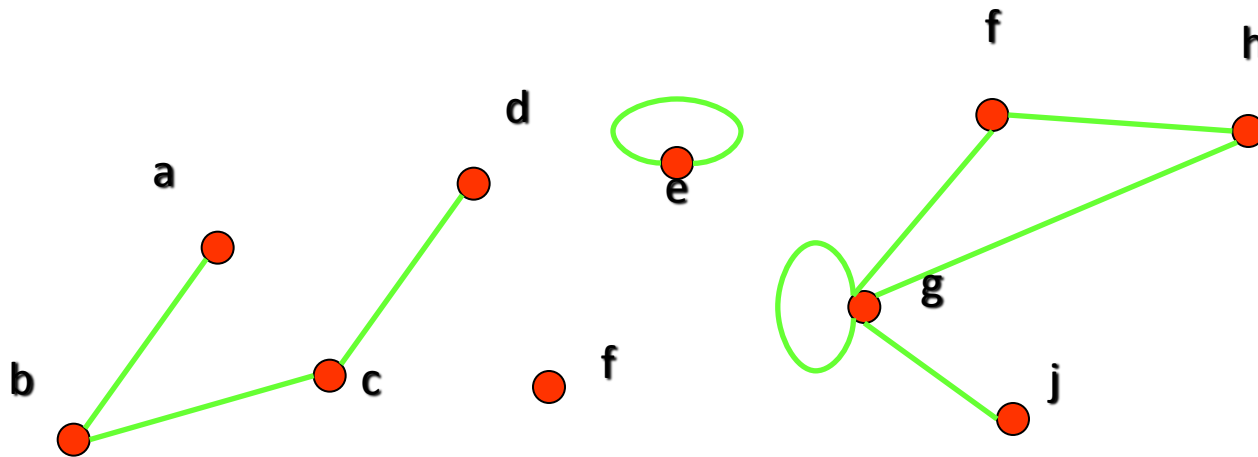


Solution: Vertex f is isolated, and vertices a, d and j are pendant. The maximum degree is $\deg(g) = 5$.

This graph is a pseudograph (undirected, loops).

Graph Terminology

- Let us look at the same graph again and determine the number of its edges and the sum of the degrees of all its vertices:



Result: There are 9 edges, and the sum of all degrees is 18. This is easy to explain: Each new edge increases the sum of degrees by exactly two.

Graph Terminology

• **The Handshaking Theorem:** Let $G = (V, E)$ be an undirected graph with e edges. Then

• $2e = \sum_{v \in V} \deg(v)$

• **Example:** How many edges are there in a graph with 10 vertices, each of degree 6?

• **Solution:** The sum of the degrees of the vertices is $6 \cdot 10 = 60$. According to the Handshaking Theorem, it follows that $2e = 60$, so there are 30 edges.

Graph Terminology

•**Theorem:** An undirected graph has an even number of vertices of odd degree.

•**Proof:** Let V_1 and V_2 be the set of vertices of even and odd degrees, respectively (Thus $V_1 \cap V_2 = \emptyset$, and $V_1 \cup V_2 = V$).

•Then by Handshaking theorem

$$\bullet 2|E| = \sum_{v \in V} \deg(v) = \sum_{v \in V_1} \deg(v) + \sum_{v \in V_2} \deg(v)$$

•Since both $2|E|$ and $\sum_{v \in V_1} \deg(v)$ are even,

• $\sum_{v \in V_2} \deg(v)$ must be even.

•Since $\deg(v)$ is odd for all $v \in V_2$, $|V_2|$ must be even.

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QED

Graph Terminology

- **Definition:** When (u, v) is an edge of the graph G with directed edges, u is said to be **adjacent to** v , and v is said to be **adjacent from** u .
- The vertex u is called the **initial vertex** of (u, v) , and v is called the **terminal vertex** of (u, v) .
- The initial vertex and terminal vertex of a loop are the same.

Graph Terminology

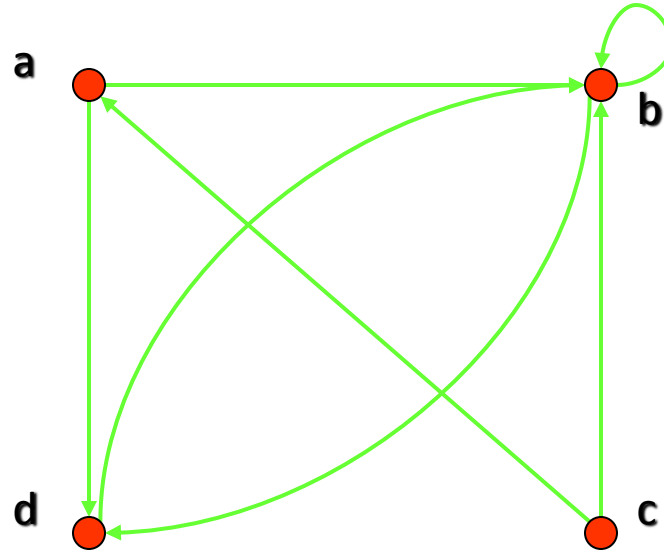
- **Definition:** In a graph with directed edges, the **in-degree** of a vertex v , denoted by $\deg^-(v)$, is the number of edges with v as their **terminal vertex**.
- The **out-degree** of v , denoted by $\deg^+(v)$, is the number of edges with v as their initial vertex.
- **Question:** How does adding a loop to a vertex change the in-degree and out-degree of that vertex?
- **Answer:** It increases both the in-degree and the out-degree by one.

Graph Terminology

• **Example:** What are the in-degrees and out-degrees of the vertices a, b, c, d in this graph:

$$\deg^-(a) = 1$$
$$\deg^+(a) = 2$$

$$\deg^-(d) = 2$$
$$\deg^+(d) = 1$$



$$\deg^-(b) = 4$$
$$\deg^+(b) = 2$$

$$\deg^-(c) = 0$$
$$\deg^+(c) = 2$$