## Kia Cooperative Systems Summer High School Outreach

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## What is graph and why graphs are important in engineering and computer science?

Wikipedia's definition: In mathematics, graph theory is the study of graphs, which are mathematical structures used to model pairwise relations between objects. A graph in this context is made up of vertices (also called nodes or points) which are connected by edges (also called links or lines). A distinction is made between undirected graphs, where edges link two vertices symmetrically, and directed graphs, where edges link two vertices asymmetrically.



Undirected graph (think of Facebook)


Directed graph (think of Twitter)

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Application: Graphs are used to model pairwise relations between objects. Graphs provide natural abstractions for how information is shared between nodes(agents) in a network.


Example: white matter tracts (via diffusion tensor imaging)


To Mobile sensor


Adjacency matrix
Structural brain network


How to describe a graph to a computer


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## How to describe a graph to a computer

Representation \#1 (Adjacency Table/List): a lookup table, that is, an array whose


Representation \#2 (Adjacency Matrix): a symmetric matrix whose ( $\mathrm{i}, \mathrm{j}$ ) entry is equal to 1 if the graph contains the edge $\{i, j\}$ and is equal to 0 otherwise.

Representation \#3 (Edge List): an array, where each entry is an edge in the graph. This representation of edges is called an edge list.

## Graph terminologies

-A path is an ordered sequence of nodes such that from each node there is an edge to the next node in the sequence.
-The length of a path is the number of edges in the path from start node to end node.
-Two nodes in a graph are path-connected if there is a path between them.


- A graph is connected if every two nodes are path-connected.
- If a graph is not connected, it is said to have multiple connected components. More precisely, a connected component is a subgraph in which (1) any two nodes are connected to each other and (2) all nodes outside the subgraph are not connected to the subgraph.


## Graph terminologies

-A shortest path between two nodes is a path of minimum length between the two nodes. Note that a shortest path does not need to be unique.
-The distance between two nodes is the length of a shortest path connecting them, i.e., the minimum number of edges required to go from one node to the other.

-A cycle is a path with at last three distinct nodes and with no repeating nodes, except for the first and last node which are the same. A graph that contains no cycles and is connected is called a tree.

## Study links

https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/comparison-between-adjacency-list-and-adjacency-matrix-representation-of-graph/
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