Invertible Matrix Theorem + Algebraic Graph Theory

Geometric Algorithms
Lecture 12

Objectives

- 1. Recap matrix inverses (it's been a while)
- 2. Finish up the algebra of matrix inverses
- 3. Connect everything we've talked about so far via the Invertible Matrix Theorem (IMT)
- 4. Connect linear algebra to graph theory

Keywords

matrix inverses invertible matrix theorem directed/undirected graphs weighted/unweighted graphs adjacency matrices symmetric matrices triangle counting

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If A is invertible, then we write A^{-1} for the inverse of A.

Solutions for Invertible Matrix Equations

Theorem. For a $n \times n$ matrix A, if A is invertible then

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

has a <u>unique</u> solution for any choice of **b**. Verify:

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- » T is onto
- » T is one-to-one

where T is implemented by A

Definition. A linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is **invertible** if there is a linear transformation S such that

$$S(T(\mathbf{v})) = \mathbf{v}$$
 and $T(S(\mathbf{v})) = \mathbf{v}$

for any \mathbf{v} in \mathbb{R}^n .

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Non-Example. Projection onto the x_1 -axis.

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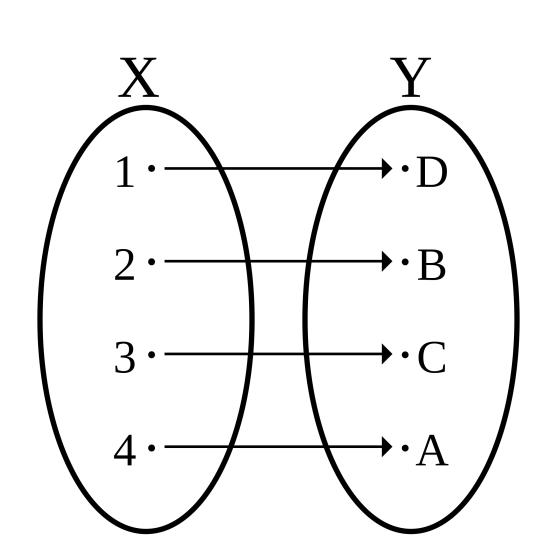
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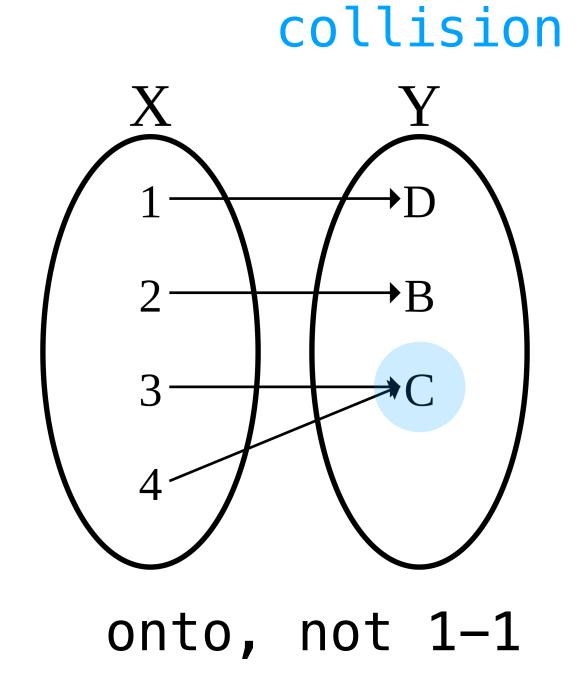
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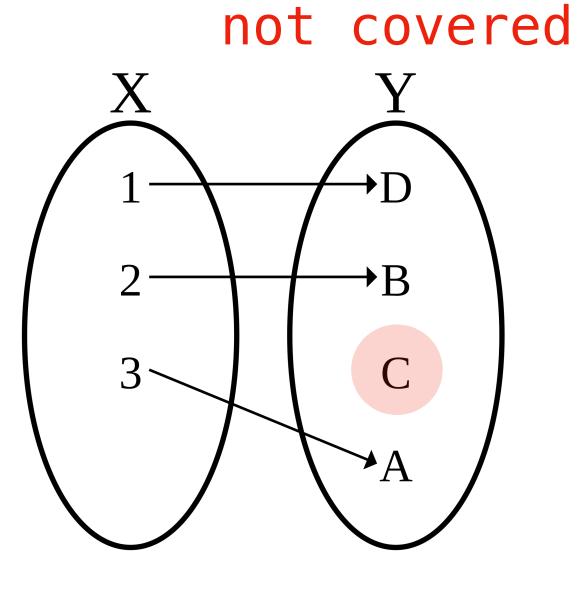
Invertible transformations are 1-1 correspondences.

Kinds of Transformations (Pictorially)



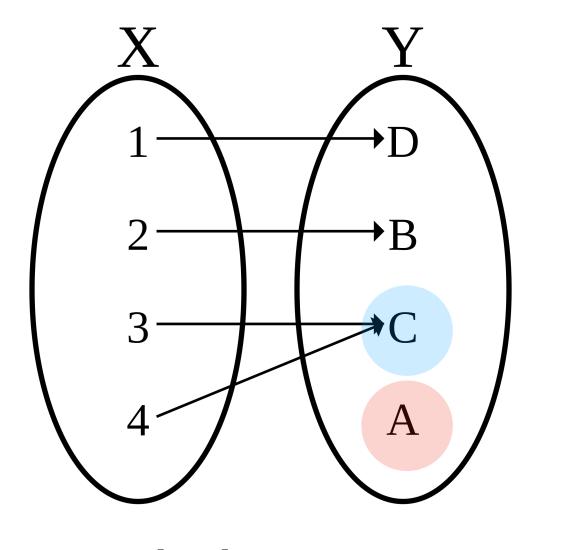
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not covered collision



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Computing Matrix Inverses

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Answer 2: the Invertible Matrix Theorem (IMT)

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Recall: How To: Matrix Inverses

Question. Find the inverse of an invertible $n \times n$ matrix A.

Solution. Solve the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{e}_i$ for every standard basis vector. Put those solutions $\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2, ..., \mathbf{s}_n$ into a single matrix

$$[\mathbf{S}_1 \quad \mathbf{S}_2 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{S}_n]$$

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Question. Find the inverse of an invertible $n \times n$ matrix A.

Solution. Row reduce the matrix $[A \ I]$ to a matrix $[I \ B]$. Then B is the inverse of A.

This is really the same thing. It's a simultaneous reduction.

demo

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(see the notes on linear transformations for more information about determinants)

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No. The determinant is (-6)(-7) - 14(3) = 42 - 42 = 0

Algebra of Matrix Inverses

How To: Verifying an Inverse

Question. Given an invertible matrix B and some matrix C, demonstrate that $B^{-1}=C$.

Answer. Show that BC = I (or CB = I, but you don't have to do both).

This works because inverses are unique.

Algebraic Properties (Matrix Inverses)

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$$(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$$

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Theorem. For a $n \times n$ invertible matrix A, the matrix A^T is invertible and

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Theorem. For a $n \times n$ invertible matrices A and B, the matrix AB is invertible and

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$$

Verify:

Question

Suppose that A is a $n \times n$ invertible matrix such that $A = A^T$ and B is a $m \times n$ matrix.

Simplify the expression $A(BA^{-1})^T$ using the algebraic properties we've seen.

Answer: B^T

$$A(BA^{-1})^{T}$$

$$A = A^{T}$$

Motivation

Question. How do we know if a square matrix is invertible?

Answer. Every perspective we've taken so far can help us answer this question.

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- 2. $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has at <u>least</u> one solution for every \mathbf{b}
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- 5. A has a pivot in every <u>column</u>
- 6. A has a pivot in every <u>row</u>
- 7. A is row equivalent to I_n

- **Theorem.** Suppose A is a $n \times n$ invertible matrix. Then the following hold.
- 8. $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has only the trivial solution
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Invertibility is completely determined by how A behaves on $\mathbf{0}$.

Question (Conceptual)

True or **False:** If A is invertible, and B is row equivalent to A (we can transform B into A by a sequence of row operations), the B is also invertible.

Answer: True

Row reductions don't change the number of pivots.

Question

If $[\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2 \ \mathbf{a}_3]$ is invertible, then is $[(\mathbf{a}_1+\mathbf{a}_2-2\mathbf{a}_3)\ (\mathbf{a}_2+5\mathbf{a}_3)\ \mathbf{a}_3]$ also invertible? Justify your answer.

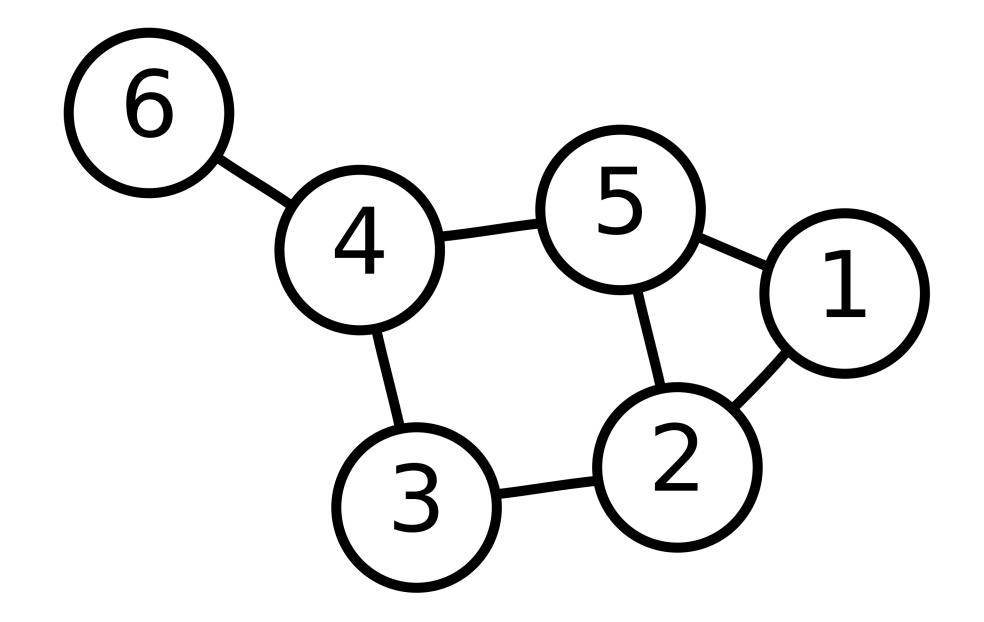
Answer

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Consider [\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2 \ \mathbf{a}_3]^T. We can get to [(\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 - 2\mathbf{a}_3) \ (\mathbf{a}_2 + 5\mathbf{a}_3) \ \mathbf{a}_3]^T by row operations
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Algebraic Graph Theory

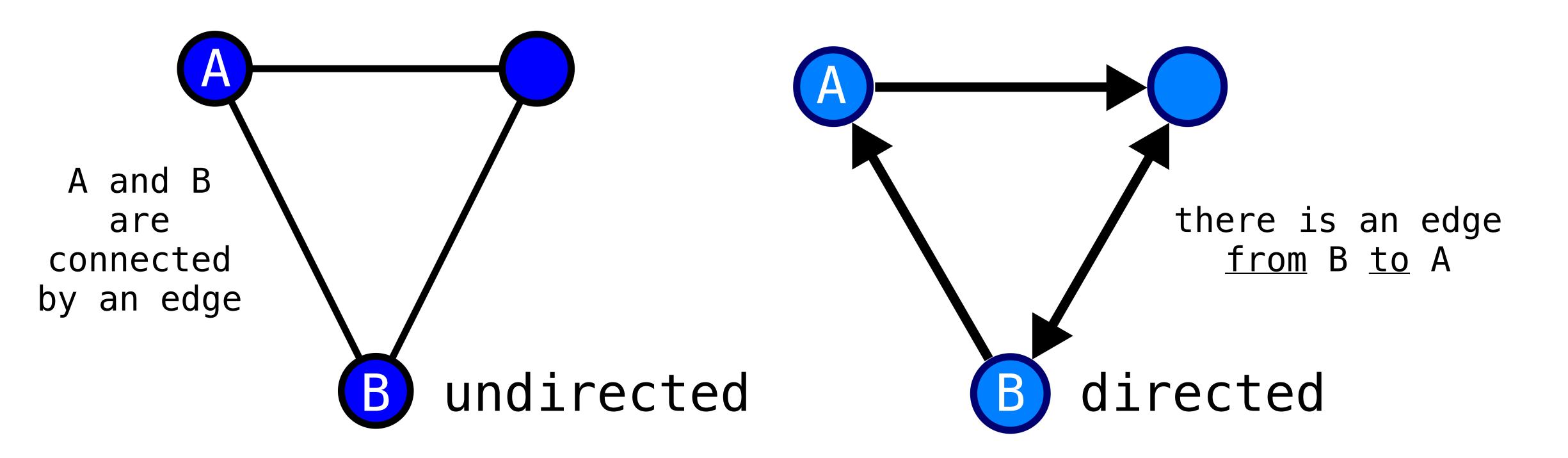
Graphs

Definition (Informal). A **graph** is a collection of nodes with edges between them.



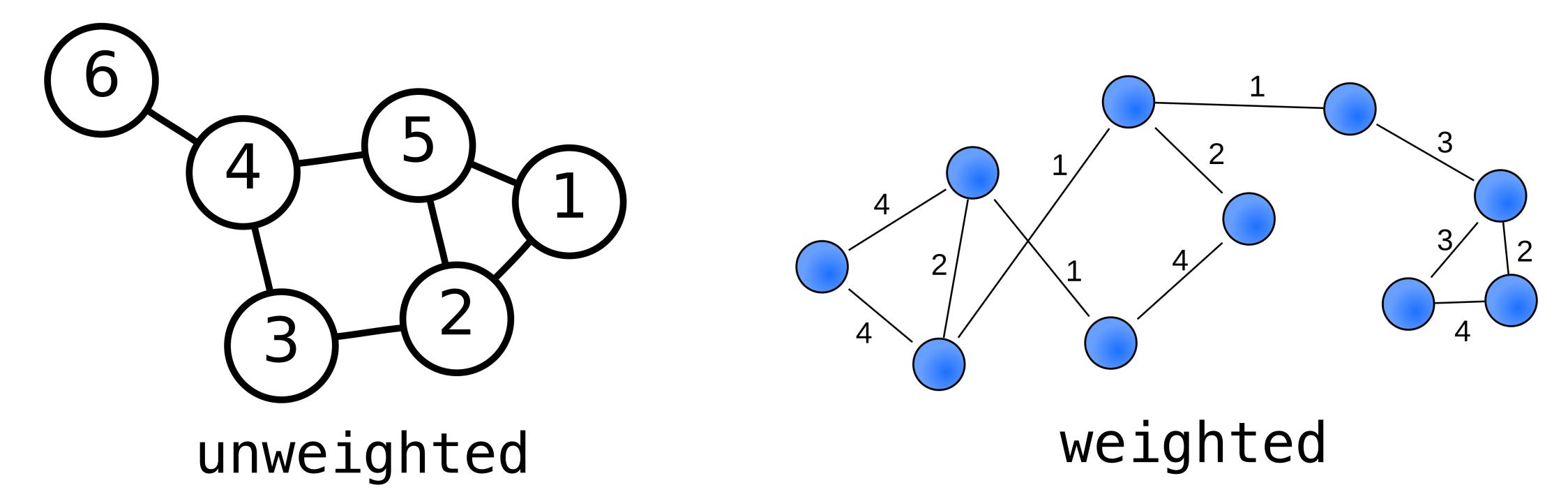
Directed vs. Undirected Graphs

A graph is **directed** if its edges have a direction.



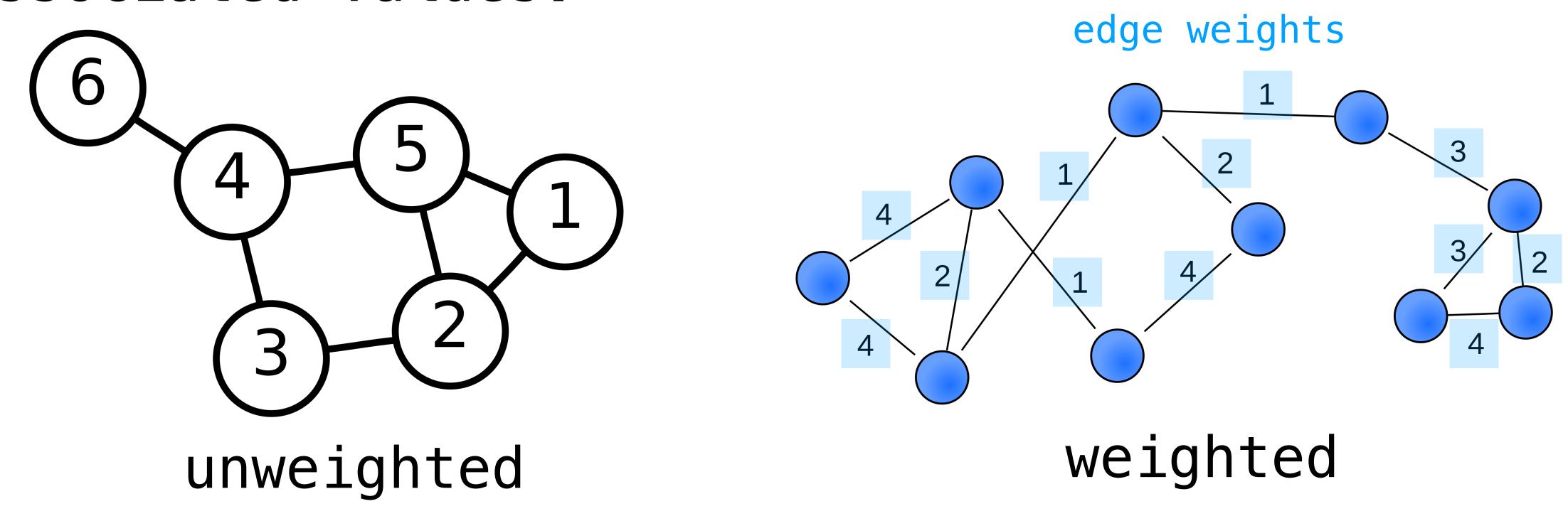
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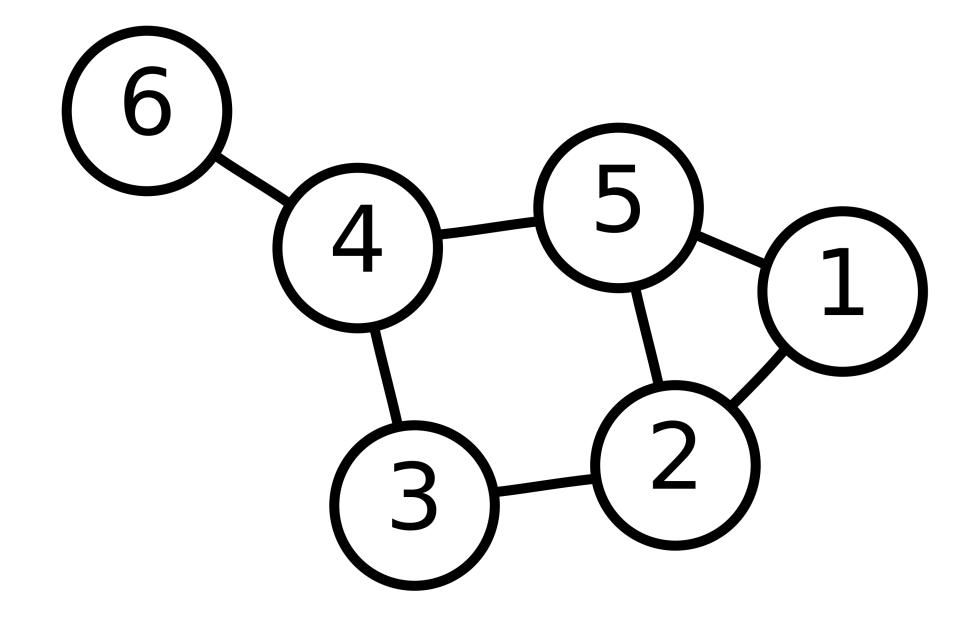
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A graph is **simple** if it is undirected, has no self loops, and no multi-edges.



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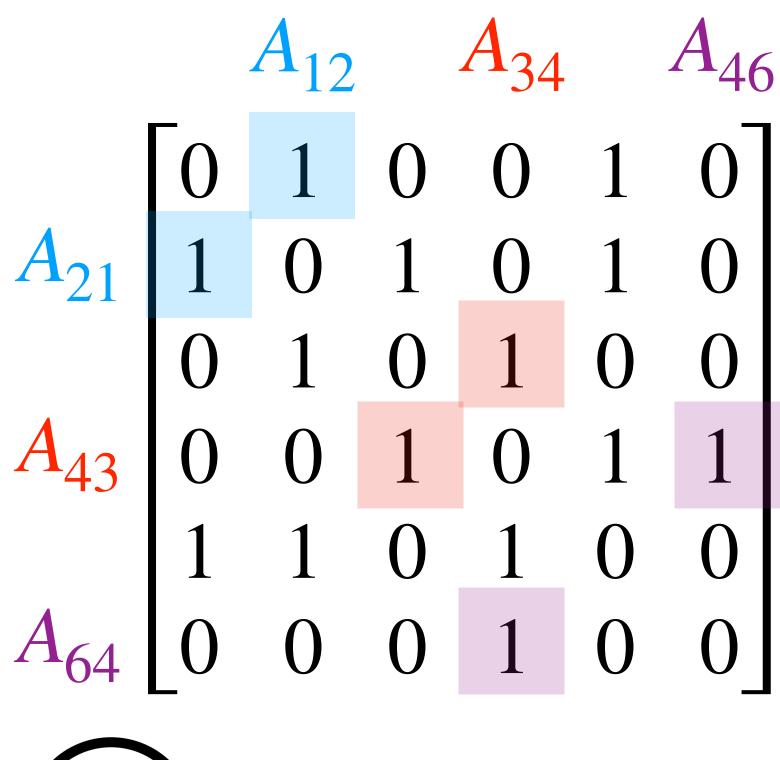
There are a couple ways, but one way is to use <u>matrices</u>.

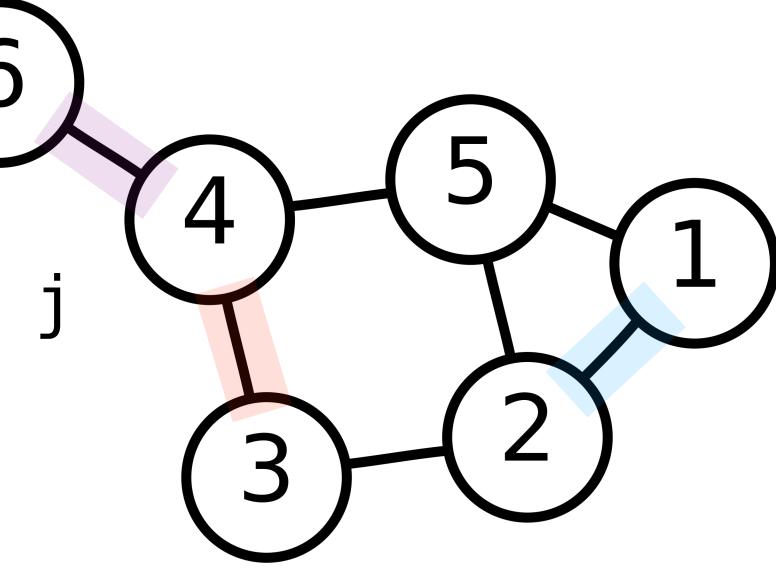
Adjacency Matrices

Let G be an simple graph with its nodes labeled by numbers 1 through $n_{\, \bullet}$

We can create the adjacency matrix A for G as follows.

$$A_{ij} = egin{cases} 1 & ext{there is an edge between i and j} \\ 0 & ext{otherwise} \end{cases}$$





Symmetric Matrices

Definition. A $n \times n$ matrix is symmetric if

$$A^T = A$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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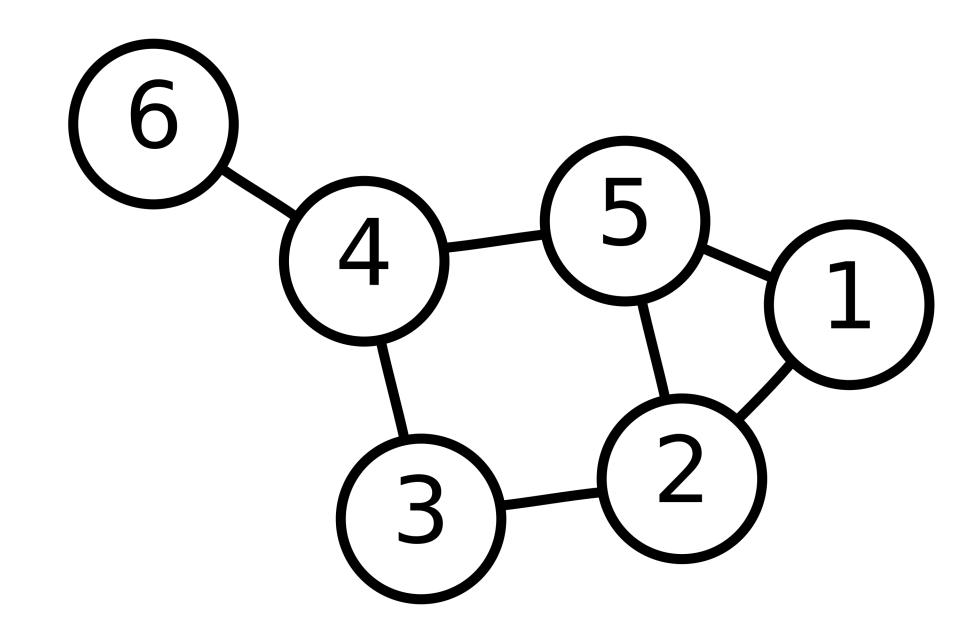
Once we have an adjacency matrix, we can do linear algebra on graphs.

Given an adjacency matrix A, can we interpret anything meaningful from A^2 ?

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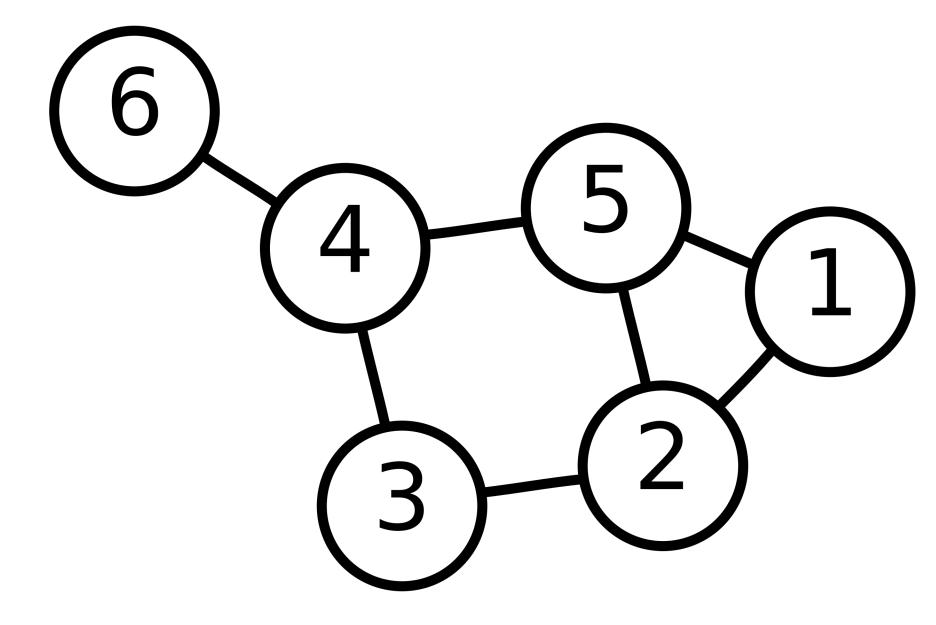
$$(A^2)_{53} = 1(0) + 1(1) + 0(0) + 1(1) + 0(0) + 0(0) = 2$$

$$(A^2)_{ij} = A_{i1}A_{1j} + A_{i2}A_{2j} + \dots + A_{in}A_{nj}$$



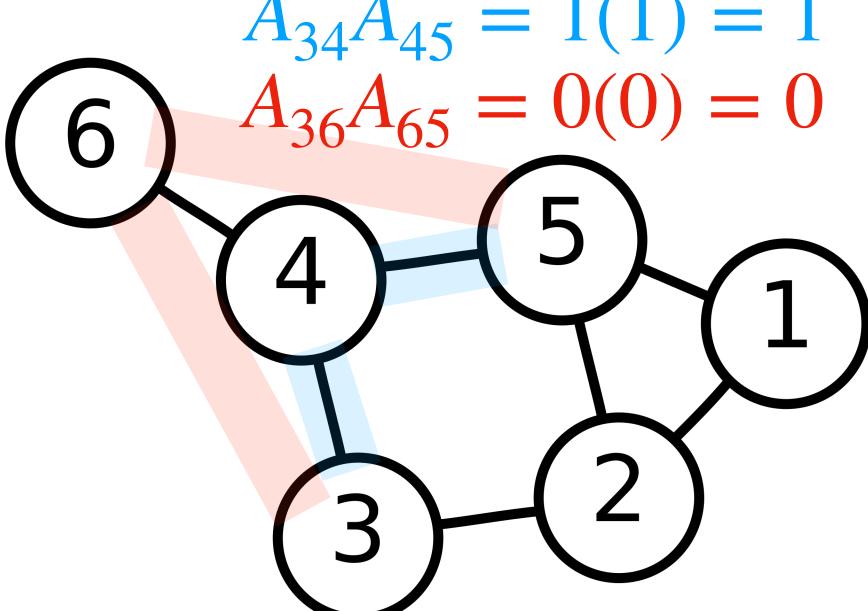
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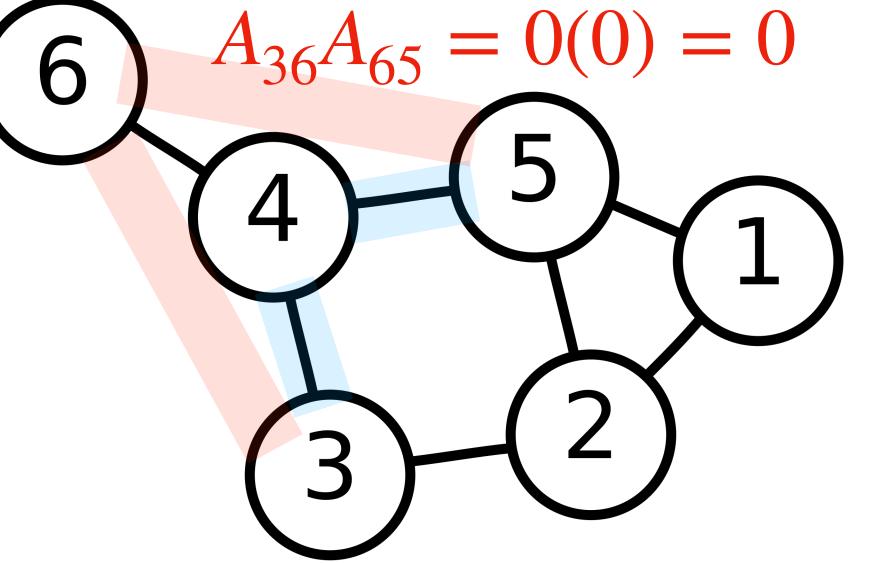
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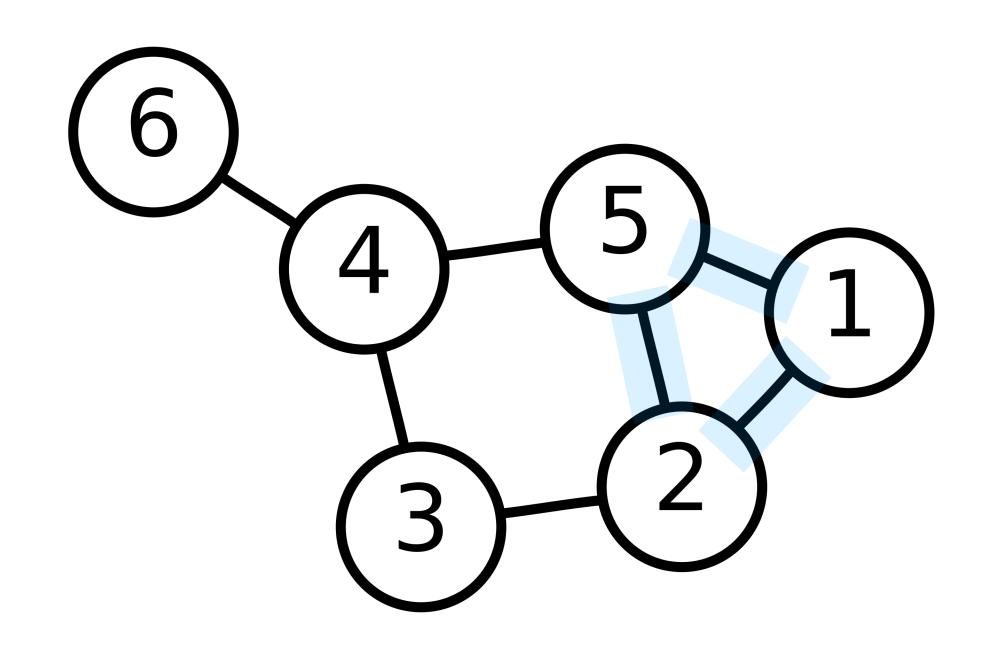
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$$(A^2)_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{number of 2-step paths} \\ \text{from i to j} \end{bmatrix}$$



A triangle in an undirected graph is a set of three distinct nodes with edges between every pair of nodes.

Triangles in a social network represent mutual friends and tight cohesion (among other things)



Application: Triangle Counting (Naive)

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FUNCTION tri_count_naive(A):
  count = 0
  for i from 1 to n:
    for j from i + 1 to n:
      for k from j + 1 to n:
        if A_{ij}=1 and A_{jk}=1 and A_{ki}=1: # an edge between each pair
           count += 1:
  RETURN count
```

Theorem. For an adjacency matrix A, the number of triangle containing the edge (i,j) is

$$(A^2)_{ij} * A_{ij}$$

Verify:

```
FUNCTION tri_count(A):

compute A^2

count \leftarrow sum of (A^2)_{ij} * A_{ij} for all distinct i and j

RETURN count / 6 # why divided by 6?
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FUNCTION tri_count(A):
    # in NumPy '*' is entry—wise multiplication
    # also called the HADAMARD PRODUCT
    count ← sum of the entries of A² * A
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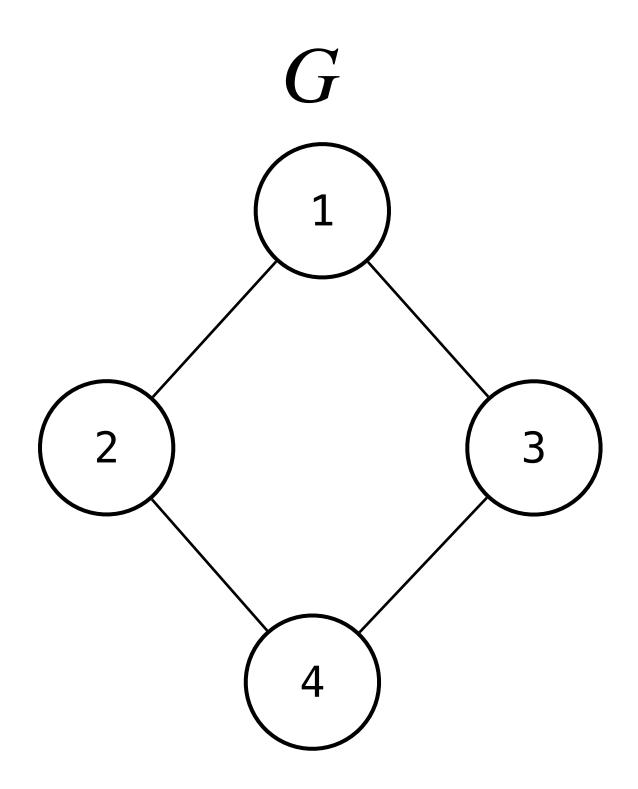
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# In NumPy '*' is entry-wise multiplication
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# and 'np.sum' sums the entry of a matrix
RETURN np.sum((A @ A) * A) / 6
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demo

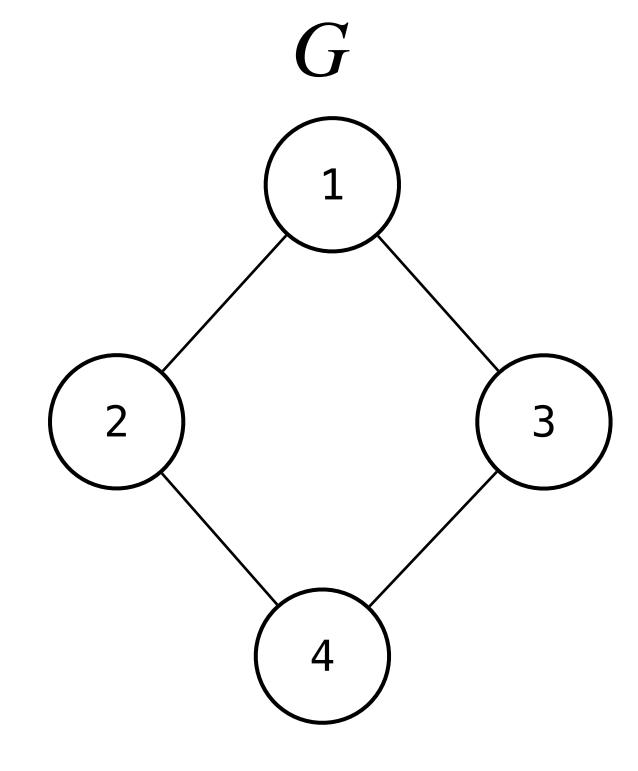
Another Application: Reachability

Question: If A^2 gives us information about length 2 paths, then what about A^k ?

 A^k gives us information about k-length paths.

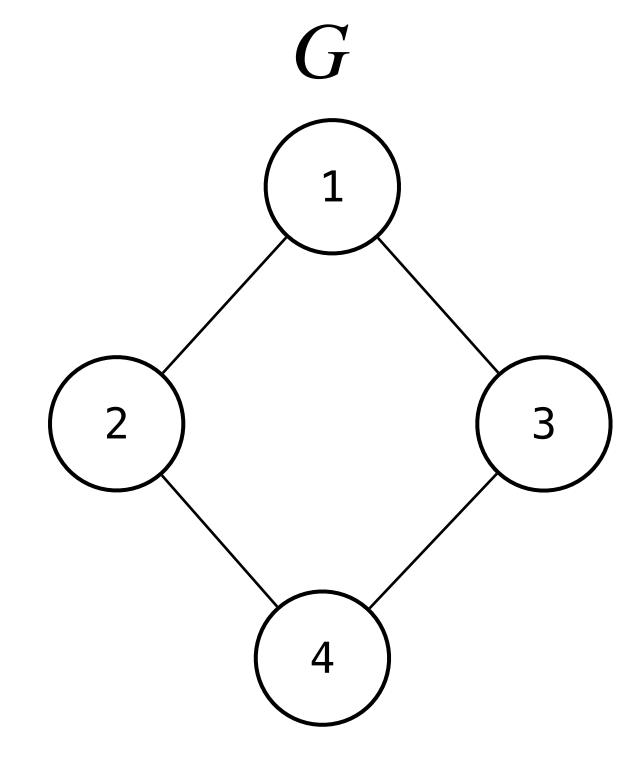


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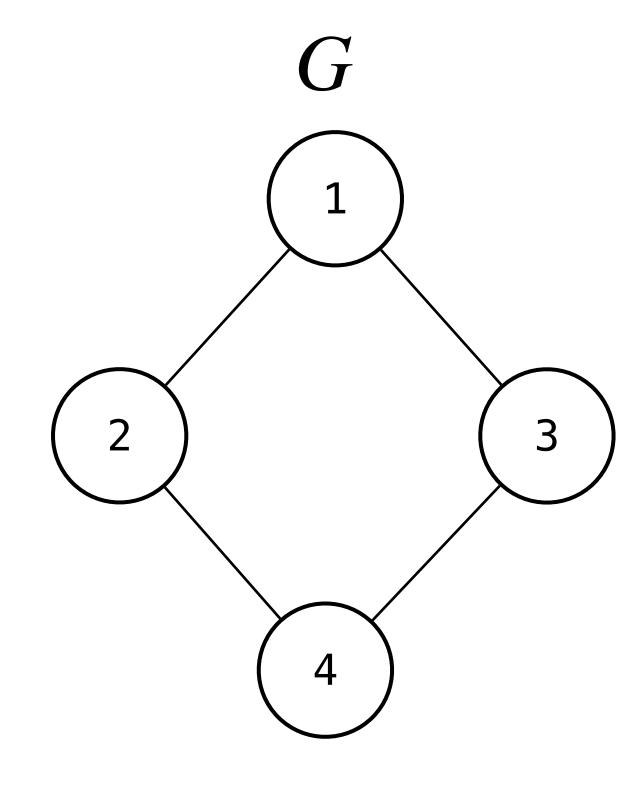
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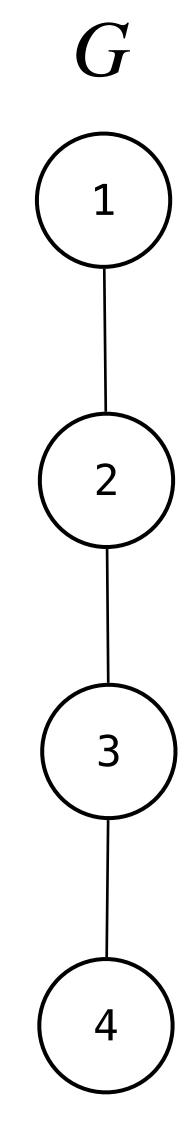


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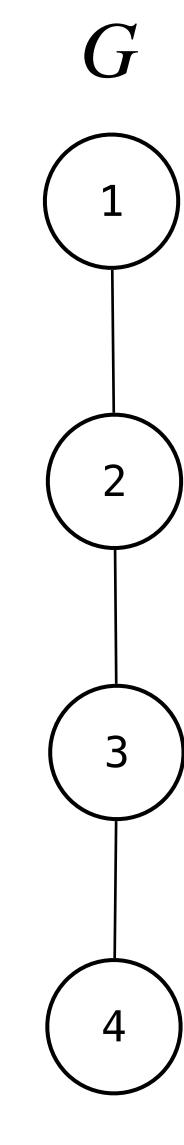
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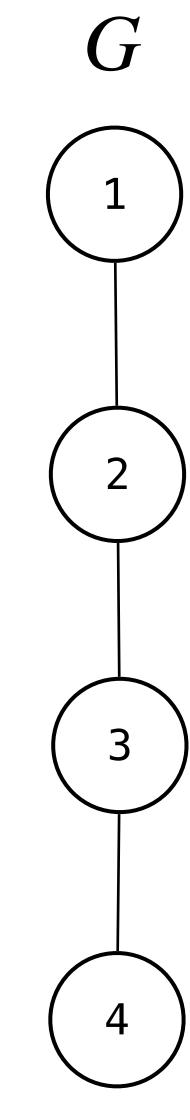


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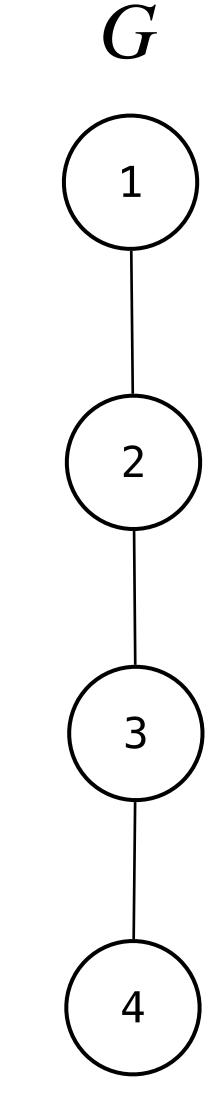
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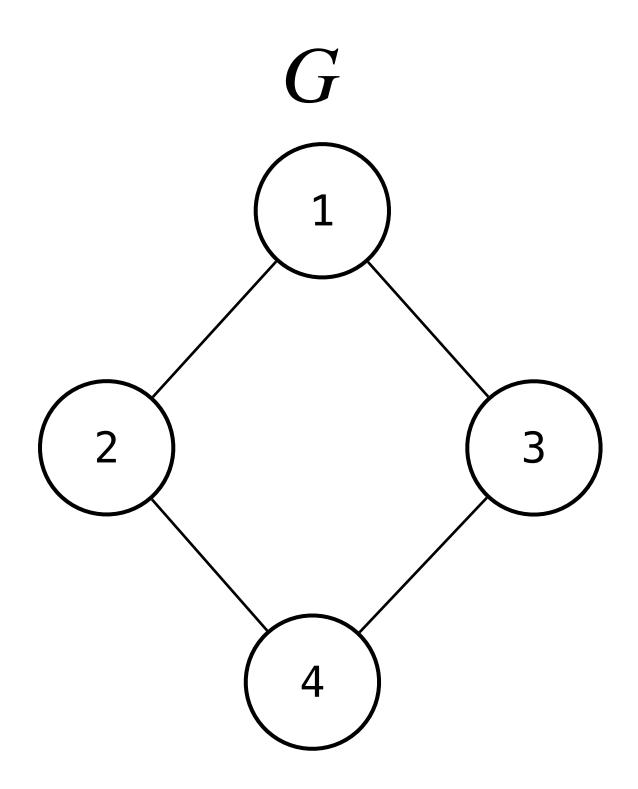
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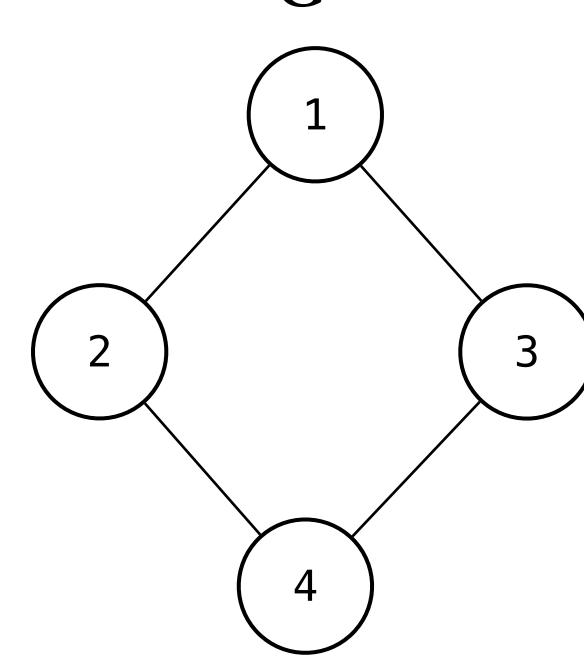
Another Application: Reachability

Theorem: Let G be a simple graph.

- $(A_G^k)_{ij}$ is the number of paths of length exactly k from v_i to v_j .
- $\left((A_G+I)^k\right)_{ij}$ is nonzero if and only if there is a path of length at at most k from v_i to v_j .

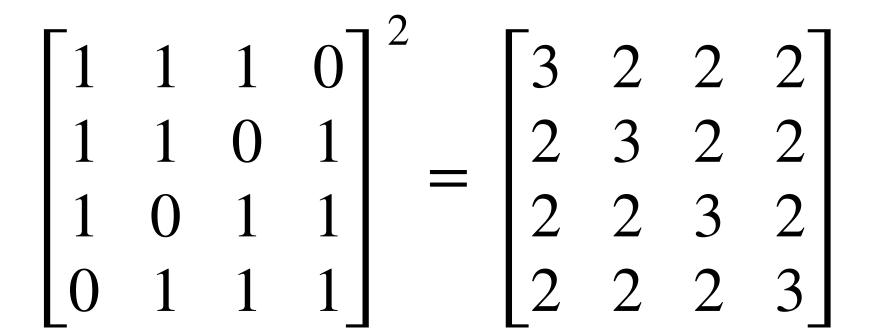


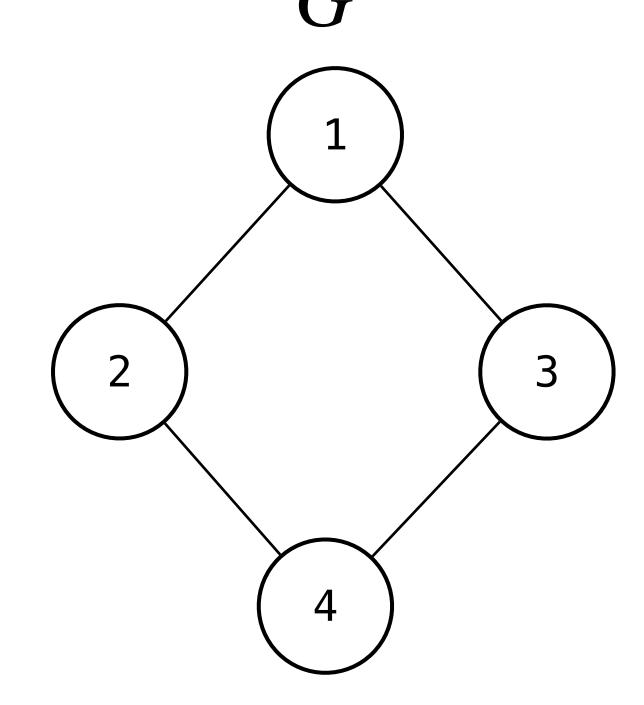
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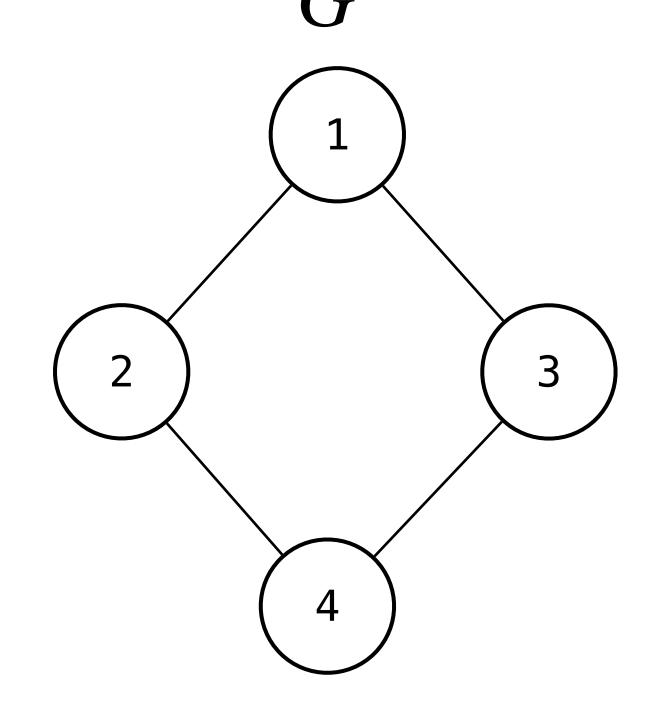




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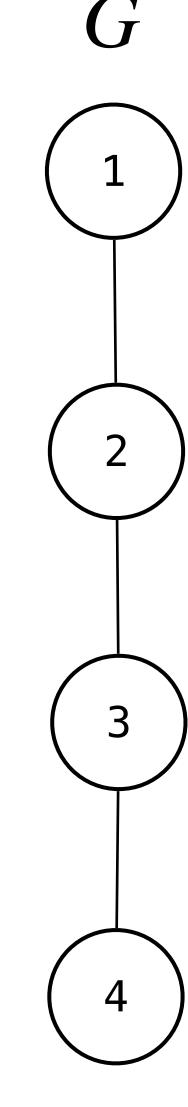
How To: Reachability

Question: Given a simple graph G determine how many nodes, v_i can reach in at least k steps.

Answer: Find $(A_G + I)^k$ and count the number of nonzero elements in column i.

Question

Determine the $(A_G+I)^2$ and $(A_G+I)^3$ and interpret the results.



Summary

The algebra of matrices can help us simplify matrix expressions.

The invertible matrix theorem connects all the perspectives we've taken so far.

Adjacency matrices are linear algebraic representations of graphs.