These aren't the graphs we're looking for
Graphs

- A graph is a data structure
- A graph has
  - a set of vertices
  - a set of edges between vertices
- Graphs are a generalization of trees
This is a graph
Another transport graph
This is a graph

The internet's undersea world

The vast majority of the world's communications are not carried by satellites but by a network of cables under the sea's oceans. As a ship accidentally severs one of these cables, the Internet can be disrupted. This map shows the many undersea cables that make up the Internet. Recently, in 2021, a test found that the cables could support many more users than previously thought, with some cables now operating at more than 90% of capacity.
A Social Network Graph

Locke’s (blue) and Voltaire’s (yellow) correspondence. Only letters for which complete location information is available are shown. Data courtesy the Electronic Enlightenment Project, University of Oxford.
Viewing the map of states as a graph

Each state is a point on the graph, and neighboring states are connected by an edge.

Do the same thing for a map of the world showing countries.
A circuit graph (flip-flop)
A circuit graph (Intel 4004)
This is not a graph, this is a cat
This is a graph
This is a graph(ical model) that has learned to recognize cats
Graphs

$K_5$

$K_{3,3}$
**Undirected graphs**

- A **undirected graph** is a pair \((V, E)\) where
  - \(V\) is a (finite) set
  - \(E\) is a set of pairs \((u, v)\) where \(u, v \in V\)
    - Often require \(u \neq v\) (i.e. no self-loops)

- Element of \(V\) is called a **vertex** or **node**
- Element of \(E\) is called an **edge** or **arc**

- \(|V| = \text{size of } V\), often denoted by \(n\)
- \(|E| = \text{size of } E\), often denoted by \(m\)

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V = \{A, B, C, D, E\} \\
E = \{(A, B), (A, C), (B, C), (C, D)\}
\]

\(|V| = 5 \\
|E| = 4\]
Directed graphs

- A directed graph (digraph) is a lot like an undirected graph
  - $V$ is a (finite) set
  - $E$ is a set of ordered pairs $(u, v)$ where $u, v \in V$

- Every undirected graph can be easily converted to an equivalent directed graph via a simple transformation:
  - Replace every undirected edge with two directed edges in opposite directions

- ... but not vice versa

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Graph terminology

- Vertices $u$ and $v$ are called
  - the source and sink of the directed edge $(u, v)$, respectively
  - the endpoints of $(u, v)$ or \{u, v\}
- Two vertices are adjacent if they are connected by an edge
- The outdegree of a vertex $u$ in a directed graph is the number of edges for which $u$ is the source
- The indegree of a vertex $v$ in a directed graph is the number of edges for which $v$ is the sink
- The degree of a vertex $u$ in an undirected graph is the number of edges of which $u$ is an endpoint
More graph terminology

- A **path** is a sequence \(v_0, v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_p\) of vertices such that for \(0 \leq i < p\),
  - \((v_i, v_{i+1}) \in E\) if the graph is directed
  - \(\{v_i, v_{i+1}\} \in E\) if the graph is undirected
- The **length of a path** is its number of edges
- A path is **simple** if it doesn’t repeat any vertices
- A **cycle** is a path \(v_0, v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_p\) such that \(v_0 = v_p\)
- A cycle is **simple** if it does not repeat any vertices except the first and last
- A graph is **acyclic** if it has no cycles
- A **directed acyclic graph** is called a **DAG**
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YES!
We just computed a topological sort of the DAG.

This is a numbering of the vertices such that all edges go from lower- to higher-numbered vertices.

Useful in job scheduling with precedence constraints.
Topological sort

```cpp
k = 0;
// inv: k nodes have been given numbers in 1..k in such a way that
    // if n1 <= n2, there is no edge from n2 to n1.
while (there is a node of in-degree 0) {
    Let n be a node of in-degree 0;
    Give it number k;
    Delete n and all edges leaving it from the graph.
    k = k + 1;
}
```

1. Abstract algorithm
2. Don’t really want to change the graph.
3. Will have to invent data structures to make it efficient.
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An application of coloring

- **Vertices** are **tasks**
- **Edge** \((u, v)\) is present if tasks \(u\) and \(v\) each require access to the *same shared resource*, and thus cannot execute simultaneously
- **Colors** are **time slots** to schedule the tasks
- Minimum number of colors needed to color the graph = minimum number of time slots required
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Detecting Planarity

Kuratowski's Theorem:

- A graph is planar if and only if it does not contain a copy of $K_5$ or $K_{3,3}$ (possibly with other nodes along the edges shown)
Detecting Planarity

In the early 1970’s, Cornell Prof John Hopcroft spent a sabbatical at Stanford and worked with PhD student Bob Tarjan. They developed the first linear-time algorithm for testing whether a graph was planar. They later received the ACM Turing Award for their work on algorithms.

Tarjan was hired at one point in the 1970’s into our department, but the Ithaca weather was too depressing for him and he left for Princeton.
Coloring a graph

- How many colors are needed to color the states so that no two adjacent states have the same color?
- Asked since 1852
- 1879: Kemp publishes a proof that only 4 colors are needed!
- 1880: Julius Peterson finds a flaw in Kemp's proof…
Every planar graph is 4-colorable [Appel & Haken, 1976]

The proof rested on checking that 1,936 special graphs had a certain property. They used a computer to check that those 1,936 graphs had that property! Basically the first time a computer was needed to check something. Caused a lot of controversy.

Gries looked at their computer program, a recursive program written in the assembly language of the IBM 7090 computer, and found an error, which was safe (it said something didn’t have the property when it did) and could be fixed. Others did the same.

Since then, there have been improvements. And a formal proof has even been done in the Coq proof system.
Bipartite graphs

- A directed or undirected graph is bipartite if the vertices can be partitioned into two sets such that no edge connects two vertices in the same set.

- The following are equivalent:
  - $G$ is bipartite
  - $G$ is 2-colorable
  - $G$ has no cycles of odd length

A
B
C
D

1
2
3
Traveling salesperson

Find a path of minimum distance that visits every city
Representations of graphs

Adjacency List

1 → 2 → 4
2 → 3
3
4 → 2 → 3

Adjacency Matrix

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- $n =$ number of vertices
- $m =$ number of edges
- $d(u) =$ degree of $u =$ no. of edges leaving $u$

Adjacency Matrix

- Uses space $O(n^2)$
- Enumerate all edges in time $O(n^2)$
- Answer “Is there an edge from $u$ to $v$?” in $O(1)$ time
- Better for dense graphs (lots of edges)
Adjacency matrix or adjacency list?

- $n = \text{number of vertices}$
- $e = \text{number of edges}$
- $d(u) = \text{degree of } u = \text{no. edges leaving } u$

- **Adjacency List**
  - Uses space $O(e + n)$
  - Enumerate all edges in time $O(e + n)$
  - Answer “Is there an edge from $u$ to $v$?” in $O(d(u))$ time
  - Better for sparse graphs (fewer edges)
Graph algorithms

- **Search**
  - Depth-first search
  - Breadth-first search

- **Shortest paths**
  - Dijkstra's algorithm

- **Minimum spanning trees**
  - Jarnik/Prim/Dijkstra algorithm
  - Kruskal's algorithm