

Graph Definitions

Definition 1. An **undirected graph** G is a pair (V, E) where

- V is the set of vertices,
- $E \subseteq V^2$ is the set of edges (unordered pairs)

$$E = \{(u, v) \mid u, v \in V\}.$$

In a **directed graph** the edges have directions (ordered pairs).

A **weighted graph** includes a weight function

$$w : E \rightarrow R$$

attaching a value (weight) to each edge.

Definition 2. A path in a graph $G = (V, E)$ is a sequence of vertices v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k such that for $1 \leq i \leq k - 1$, $(v_i, v_{i+1}) \in E$.

Definition 3. A cycle in a graph $G = (V, E)$ is a path v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k such that $(v_k, v_1) \in E$.

Definition 4. A tree is a graph with no cycles.

Definition 5. A graph $H = (V', E')$ is a **subgraph** of $G = (V, E)$ iff $V' \subseteq V$ and $E' \subseteq E$. A **spanning subgraph** if $V' = V$.

Graph Representation

Adjacency List: A link list for each vertex. The list contains a pointer to each neighbor of the vertex. (and a weight for weighted graph.)

Total space $O(V + E)$.

Sequential (linear) access.

Adjacency Matrix: A $|V| \times |V|$ array, $A[i, j] = 1$ iff (i, j) is an edge in the graph, otherwise $A[i, j] = 0$. ($A[i, j] = w_{i,j}$ for weighted graph.)

Total space $O(V^2)$.

Random access.

Spanning Tree

Given a graph $G = (V, E)$ a **spanning tree** T in G is a subgraph of G that

- is connected;
- includes all the vertices of G ;
- has no cycles;