



# Graphs

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# Graph Definitions

A graph  $G = (V, E)$  is composed of:

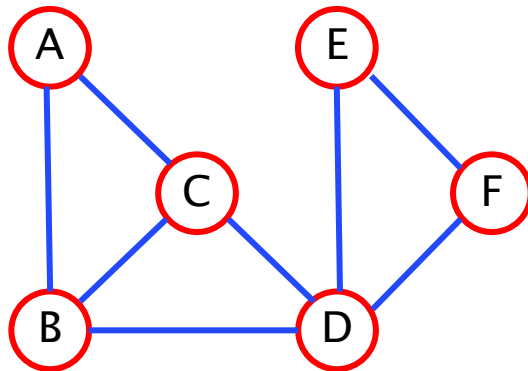
$V$ : set of *vertices* (singular: vertex)

$E$ : set of *edges*

An *edge* is a pair of *vertices*. Can be

unordered:  $e = \{u, v\}$  (*undirected graph*)

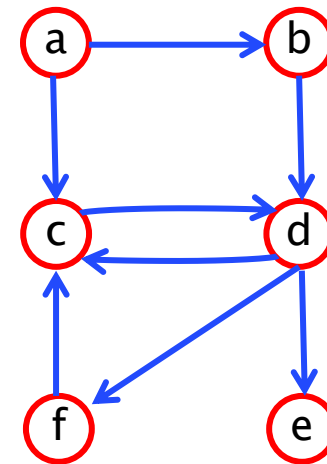
ordered:  $e = (u, v)$  (*directed graph / digraph*)



Undirected

$V = \{A, B, C, D, E, F\}$

$E = \{\{A, B\}, \{A, C\}, \{B, C\}, \{B, D\}, \{C, D\}, \{D, E\}, \{D, F\}, \{E, F\}\}$



Directed

$V = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$

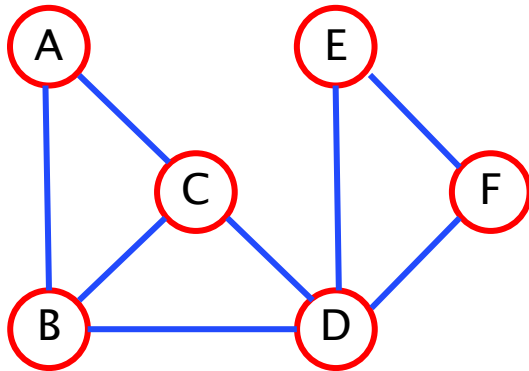
$E = \{(a, b), (a, c), (b, d), (c, d), (d, c), (d, e), (d, f), (f, c)\}$

# Graph Terminology

- ▶ Size? Edges or vertices?
- ▶ Usually take size to be  $n = |V|$  (# of vertices)
- ▶ But the runtime of graph algorithms often depend on the number of edges,  $|E|$
- ▶ Relationships between  $|V|$  and  $|E|$ ?

# Undirected Graphs: adjacency, degree

- If  $\{u,v\}$  is an edge, then  $u$  and  $v$  are *neighbors* (also:  $u$  is *adjacent* to  $v$ )
- *degree* of  $v$  = number of neighbors of  $v$



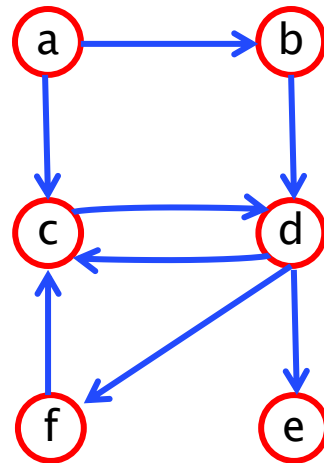
Fact:

$$\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v) = 2|E|$$

(Why?)

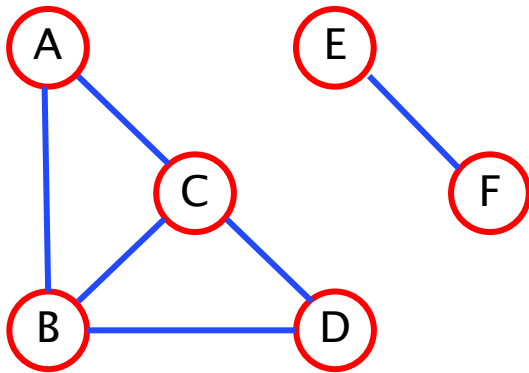
# Directed Graphs: adjacency, degree

- If  $(u,v)$  is an edge, then  $v$  is a *successor* of  $u$  and  $u$  is a *predecessor* of  $v$
- *Out-degree* of  $v$  = number of successors of  $v$
- *In-degree* of  $v$  = number of predecessors of  $v$



# Undirected Graphs: paths, connectivity

- A *path* is a list of unique vertices joined by edges.
  - For example, [a, c, d] is a path from a to d.
- A subgraph is *connected* if every pair of vertices in the subgraph has a path between them.



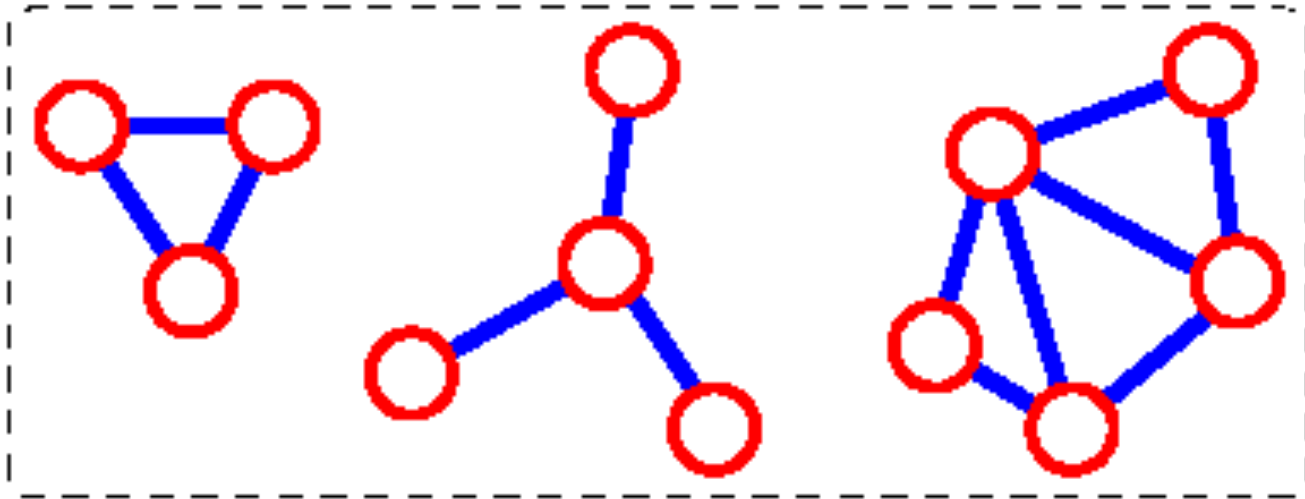
Not a connected graph.

Subgraph	Connected?
{A,B,C,D}	Yes
{E,F}	Yes
{C,D,E}	No
{A,B,C,D,E,F}	No

# Undirected Graphs: components

(Connected) *component*: a maximal connected subgraph.

For example, this graph has 3 connected components:

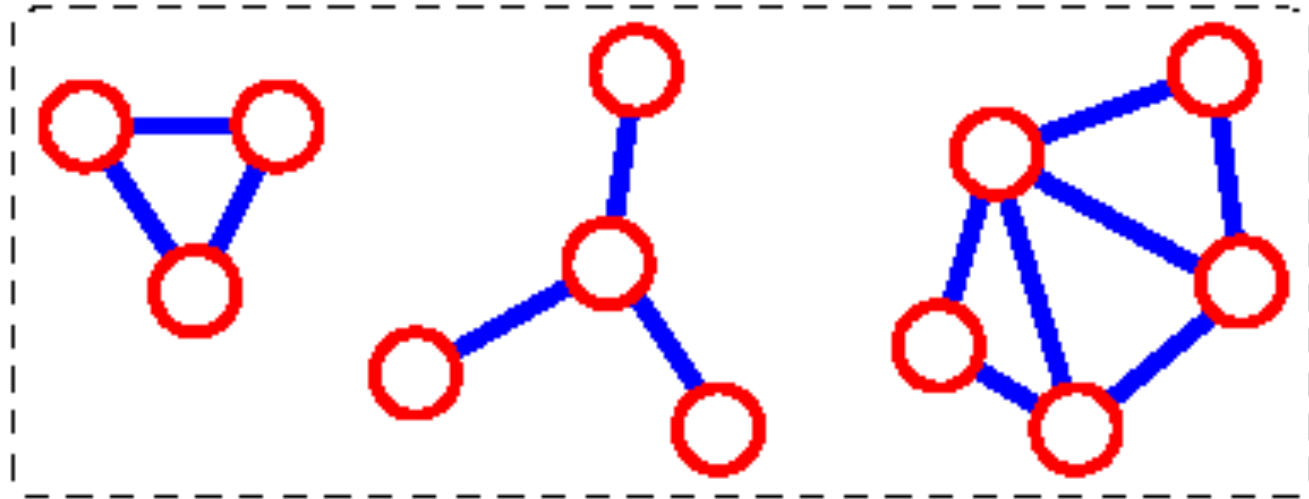




# Undirected Graphs: (mathematical) tree

Tree: connected acyclic graph (no cycles)

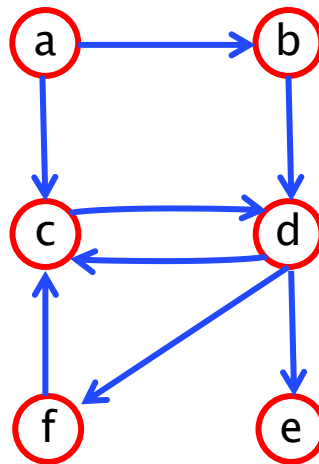
Example. Which component is a tree?



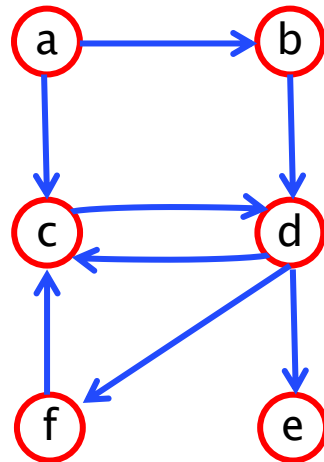
Question: for a tree, what is the relationship between  $m = \#edges$  and  $n = \#vertices$ ?

$$m = n - 1$$

- A *directed path* is a list of unique vertices joined by directed edges.
  - For example, [a, c, d, f] is a directed path from a to f. We say f is *reachable* from a.
- A subgraph is *strongly connected* if for every pair (u,v) of its vertices, v is reachable from u and u is reachable from v.



- *Strongly-connected component*: maximal strongly connected subgraph



Strongly connected components
{a}
{b}
{c,d,f}
{e}

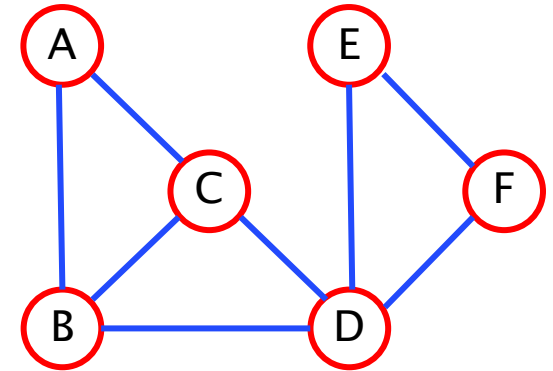
# Viewing a graph as a data structure

- ▶ Each vertex associated with a name (key)
- ▶ Examples:
  - City name
  - IP address
  - People in a social network
- ▶ An edge (undirected/directed) represents a link between keys
- ▶ Graphs are flexible: edges/nodes can have *weights*, *capacities*, or other attributes

# There are several alternatives for representing edges of a graph

## ▶ Edge list

- A collection of vertices and a collection of edges



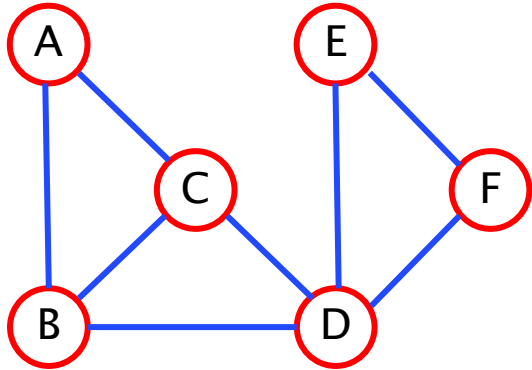
## ▶ Adjacency matrix

- Each key is associated with an index from 0, ..., (n-1)
  - Map from keys to ints?
- Edges denoted by 2D array (#V x #V) of 0's and 1's

## ▶ Adjacency list

- Collection of vertices
  - Map from keys to Vertex objects?
- Each Vertex stores a List of adjacent vertices

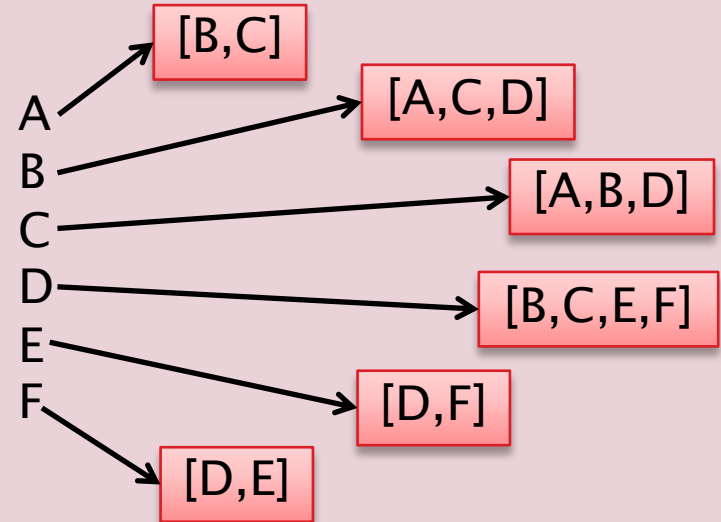
# Implementation tradeoffs



## Adjacency matrix

	0	1	2	3	4	5
A→0	0	1	1	0	0	0
B→1	1	0	1	1	0	0
C→2	2	1	0	1	0	0
D→3	3	0	1	0	1	1
E→4	4	0	0	0	1	0
F→5	5	0	0	0	1	0

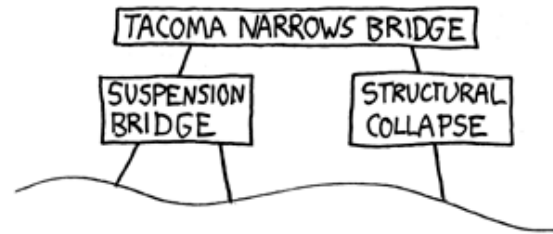
## Adjacency list



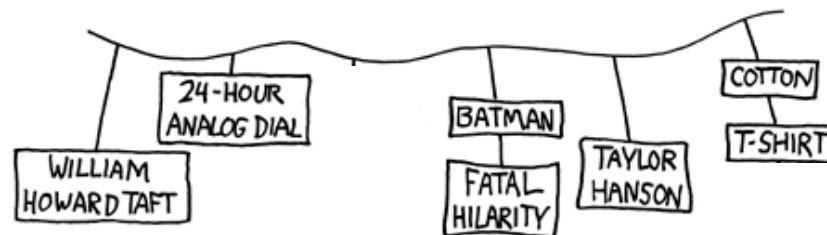
- ▶ Running time of  $\text{degree}(v)$ ?
- ▶ Running time of  $\text{deleteEdge}(u,v)$ ?
- ▶ Space efficiency?

# GraphSurfing Project

THE PROBLEM WITH WIKIPEDIA:



[THREE HOURS OF  
FASCINATED CLICKING]



- ▶ Milestone 1: Implement `AdjacencyListGraph<T>` and `AdjacencyMatrixGraph<T>`
  - both extend the given ADT, `Graph<T>`.
- ▶ Milestone 2: Write methods
  - `stronglyConnectedComponent(v)`
  - `shortestPath(from, to)`  
and use them to go [WikiSurfing!](#)

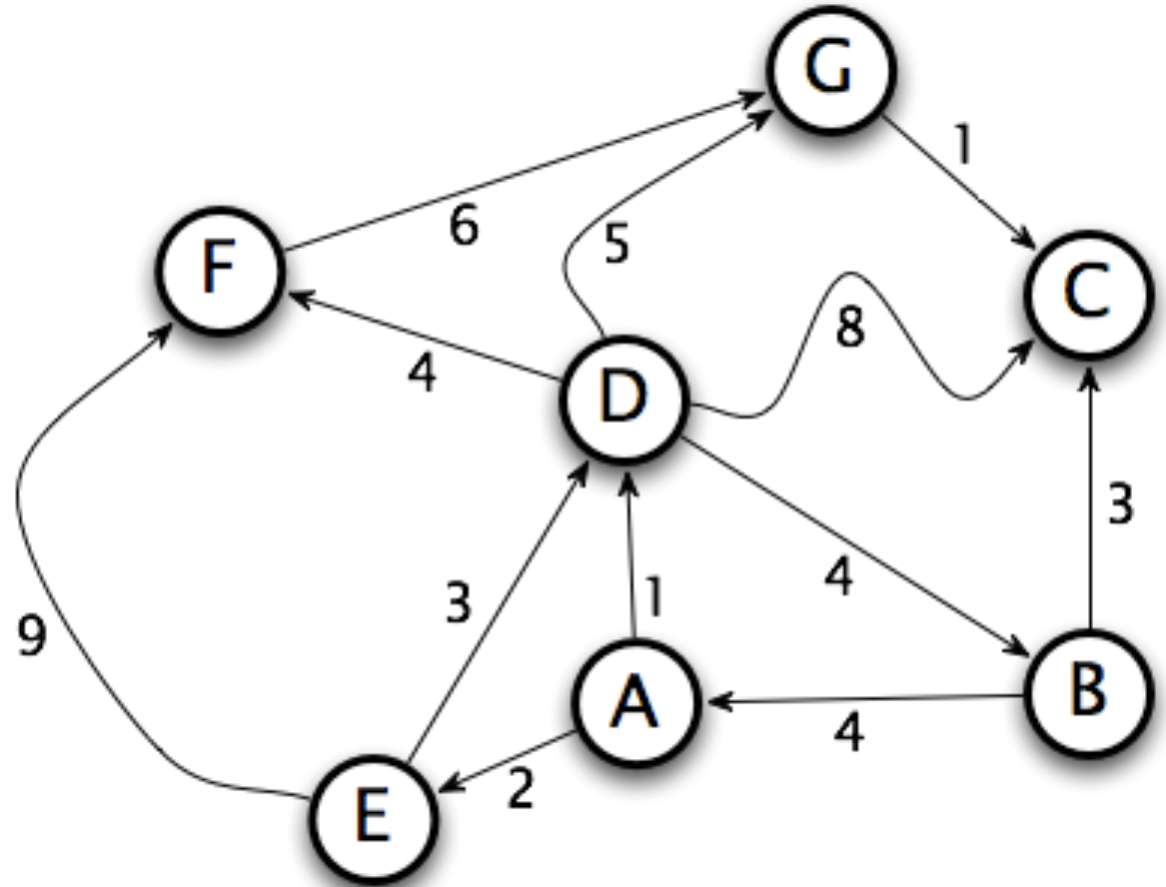


# Sample Graph Problems

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# Weighted Shortest Path

- ▶ What's the cost of the shortest path from A to each of the other nodes in the graph?

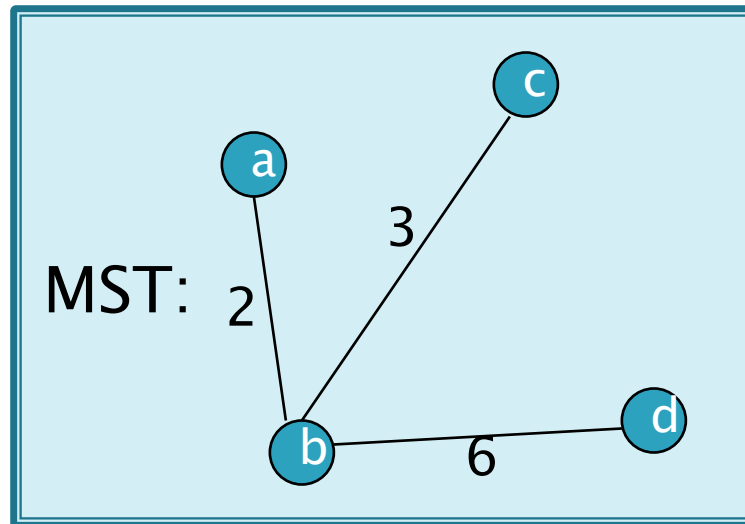
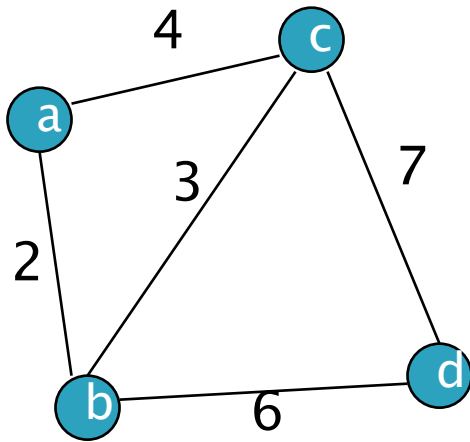


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# Minimum Spanning Tree

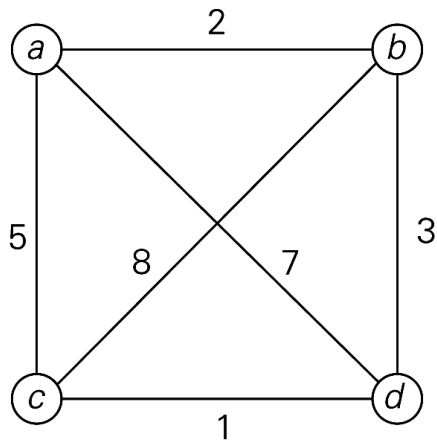
- ▶ *Spanning tree*: a connected acyclic subgraph that includes all of the graph's vertices
- ▶ *Minimum spanning tree* of a weighted, connected graph: a spanning tree of minimum total weight

Example:



# Traveling Salesman Problem (TSP)

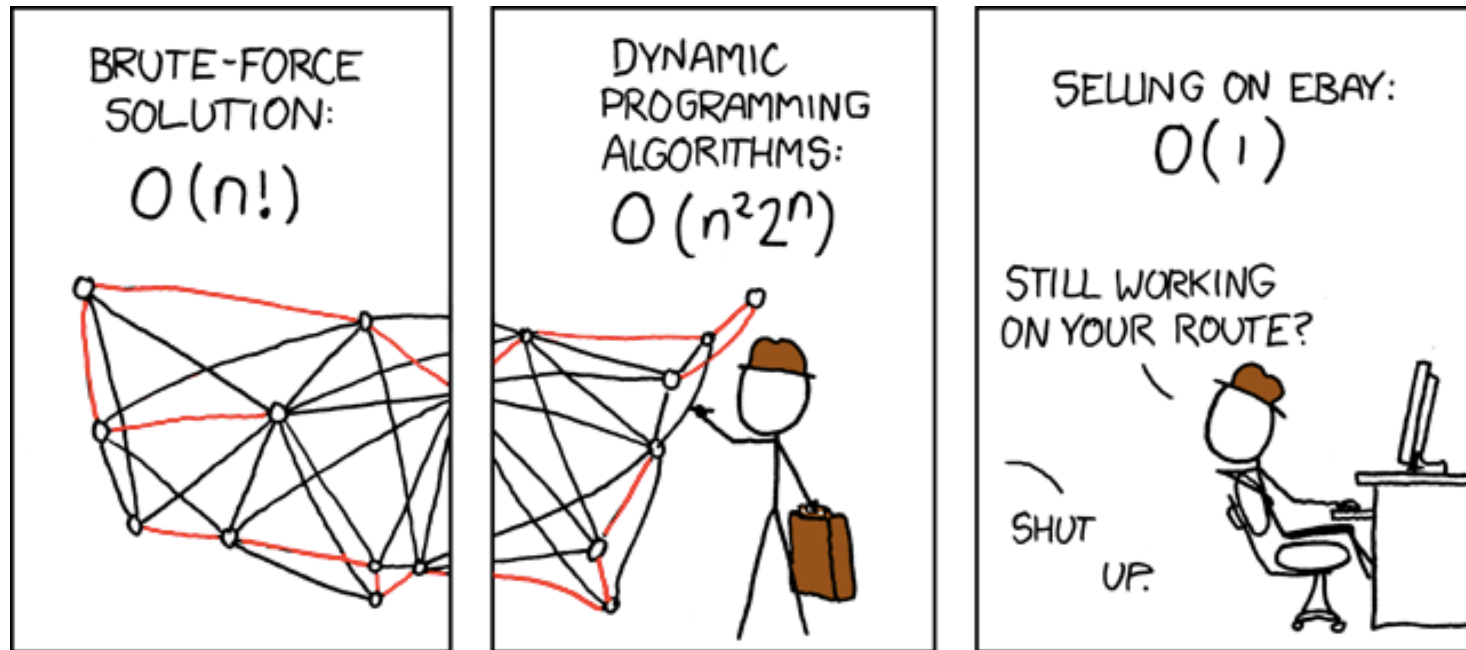
- ▶  $n$  cities, weights are travel distance
- ▶ Must visit all cities (starting & ending at same place) with shortest possible distance



<u>Tour</u>	<u>Length</u>	
$a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow d \rightarrow a$	$l = 2 + 8 + 1 + 7 = 18$	
$a \rightarrow b \rightarrow d \rightarrow c \rightarrow a$	$l = 2 + 3 + 1 + 5 = 11$	optimal
$a \rightarrow c \rightarrow b \rightarrow d \rightarrow a$	$l = 5 + 8 + 3 + 7 = 23$	
$a \rightarrow c \rightarrow d \rightarrow b \rightarrow a$	$l = 5 + 1 + 3 + 2 = 11$	optimal
$a \rightarrow d \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow a$	$l = 7 + 3 + 8 + 5 = 23$	
$a \rightarrow d \rightarrow c \rightarrow b \rightarrow a$	$l = 7 + 1 + 8 + 2 = 18$	

- Exhaustive search: how many routes?
- $(n-1)!/2 \in \Theta((n-1)!)$

# Traveling Salesman Problem



- ▶ Online source for all things TSP:

- <http://www.math.uwaterloo.ca/tsp/>

# Example graphs for project

