

# Algebraic Graph Algorithms

## Part I - Introduction

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# Matrix Multiplication

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n,1} & a_{n,2} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,1} & b_{1,2} & \cdots & b_{1,n} \\ b_{2,1} & b_{2,2} & \cdots & b_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{n,1} & b_{n,2} & \cdots & b_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Naive algorithm

$$c_{i,j} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{i,k} b_{k,j} = a_{i,1} b_{1,j} + a_{i,2} b_{2,j} + \dots + a_{i,n} b_{n,j}.$$

requires  $n$  operations to compute each element of  $C$ .  
This gives  $\sim n^3$  operations in total.

# Strassen's Algorithm

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_{1,1} & c_{1,2} \\ c_{2,1} & c_{2,2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,1} & b_{1,2} \\ b_{2,1} & b_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q_1 = (a_{1,1} + a_{2,2})(b_{1,1} + b_{2,2})$$

$$Q_2 = (a_{2,1} + a_{2,2})b_{1,1}$$

$$Q_3 = a_{1,1}(b_{1,2} - b_{2,2})$$

$$Q_4 = a_{2,2}(-b_{1,1} + b_{2,1})$$

$$Q_5 = (a_{1,1} + a_{1,2})b_{2,2}$$

$$Q_6 = (-a_{1,1} + a_{2,1})(b_{1,1} + b_{1,2})$$

$$Q_7 = (a_{1,2} - a_{2,2})(b_{2,1} + b_{2,2})$$

$$c_{1,1} = Q_1 + Q_4 - Q_5 + Q_7$$

$$c_{2,1} = Q_2 + Q_4$$

$$c_{1,2} = Q_3 + Q_5$$

$$c_{2,2} = Q_1 + Q_3 - Q_2 + Q_6$$

The matrix  $C$  can be computed with use of 7 multiplications instead 8!

# Strassen Algorithm

After dividing the matrix in blocks we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{1,1} & C_{1,2} \\ C_{2,1} & C_{2,2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{1,1} & A_{1,2} \\ A_{2,1} & A_{2,2} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} B_{1,1} & B_{1,2} \\ B_{2,1} & B_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

we have to do  $2 \times 2$  matrix multiplication on blocks.

Using this recursive multiplication, we need

$$\sim n^{\log_2 7} = n^{2.81},$$

operations to multiply  $n \times n$  matrices.

# Fast Matrix Multiplication

The matrix multiplication exponent is denoted by  $\omega$ .

The  $n \times n$  by  $n \times n$  multiplication requires

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n,1} & a_{n,2} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,1} & b_{1,2} & \cdots & b_{1,n} \\ b_{2,1} & b_{2,2} & \cdots & b_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{n,1} & b_{n,2} & \cdots & b_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\sim n^\omega$  operations.

The best known bound is  $\omega < 2.376$  —  
*Coppersmith, Winograd '90.*

# Fast Matrix Multiplication

In  $O(n^\omega)$  time for a  $n \times n$  matrix we can:

- compute the determinant,
- compute the characteristic polynomial,
- compute the inverse matrix,
- solve the system of linear equations,
- solve the system of linear equations over polynomials.

We will use the above algorithms to solve graph problems.



# Algebraic Algorithms

The determinant of the  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is given as:

$$\det(A) = \sum_{p \in \Pi_n} \sigma(p) \prod_{i=1}^n a_{i,p_i}.$$

Is it possible to encode the graph problem in the matrix  $A$  in such a way that the element of the sum correspond to the solution of the problem?

*(Permutations are powerful.)*

By testing if the determinant is non-zero we will know if the problem has a solution.

# Dynamic Problems

We want to solve given problem for a data structure that can be changed, e.g., we add and remove edges from the graph.

Can the algebraic methods be used in such a case?

YES

- if we can show dynamic algorithms for algebraic problems,
- if we can show appropriate reductions.

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# Example: Matchings

A *matching* in the graph  $G = (V, E)$  is a subset of edges  $M \subseteq E$  such, that no two edges in  $M$  share a common endpoint.

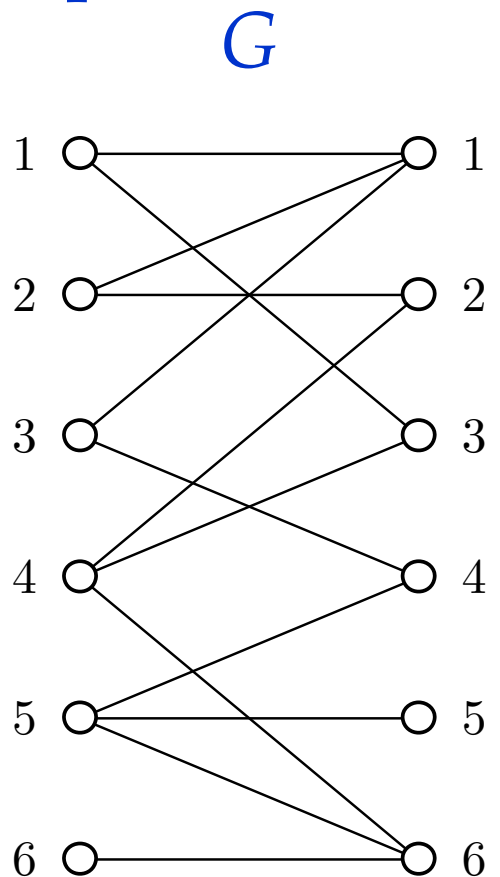
A *perfect* matching is a matching of size  $|V|/2$ .

We want to:

- test if a graph contains a perfect matching,
- find any perfect matching in a graph,
- *find the maximum matching in the graph.*

# Symbolic Adjacency Matrix

A symbolic adjacency matrix of the bipartite graph:



$\tilde{A}(G)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & 0 & x_{13} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ x_{31} & 0 & 0 & x_{34} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x_{42} & x_{43} & 0 & 0 & x_{46} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x_{54} & x_{55} & x_{56} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x_{66} \end{pmatrix}$$

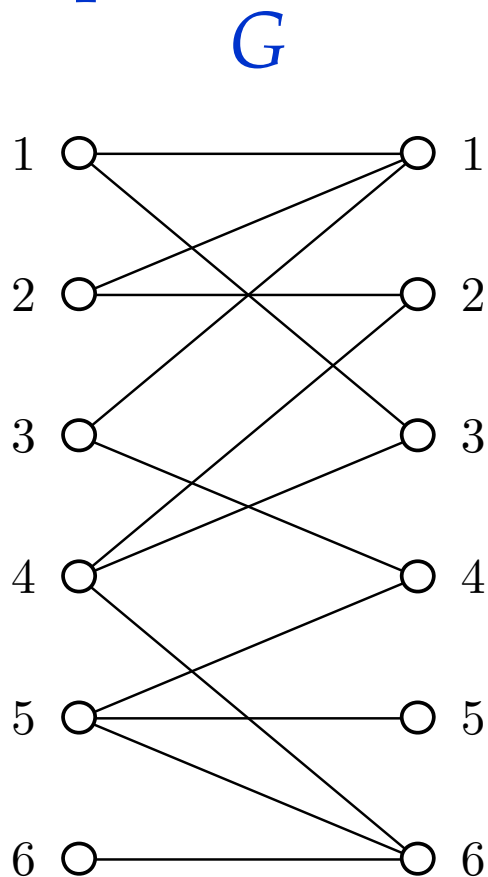
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$$= -x_{13}x_{21}x_{34}x_{42}x_{55}x_{66} - x_{11}x_{22}x_{34}x_{43}x_{55}x_{66}.$$

# Symbolic Adjacency Matrix

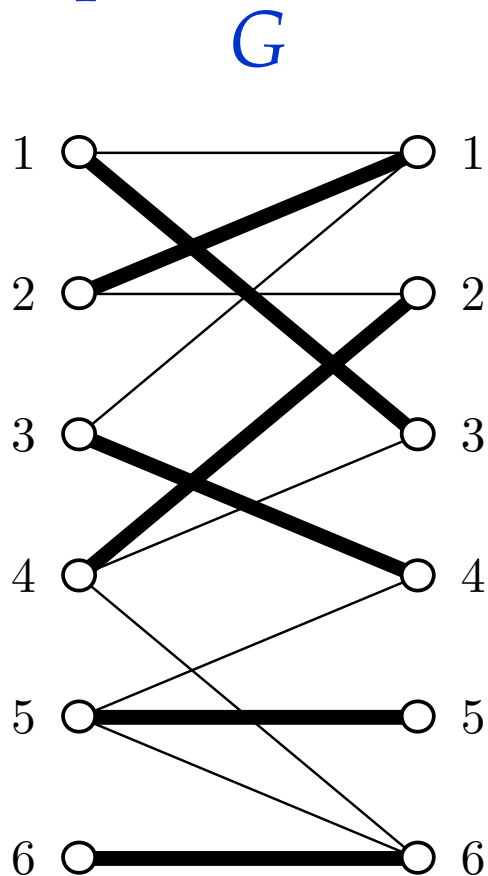
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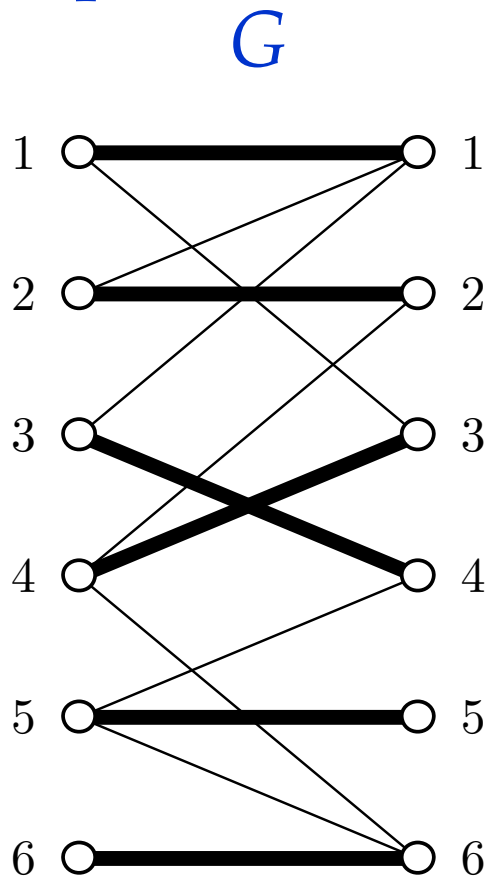


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# Symbolic Adjacency Matrix

The determinant is given as:

$$\det(A) = \sum_{p \in \Pi_n} \sigma(p) \prod_{i=1}^n a_{i,p_i}.$$

$p$  assigns different vertex  $p_i$  to each vertex  $i$ .

The elements of the sum correspond to perfect matchings in the graph.

The determinant is non-zero iff the graph has a perfect matching.

# Lovász Idea

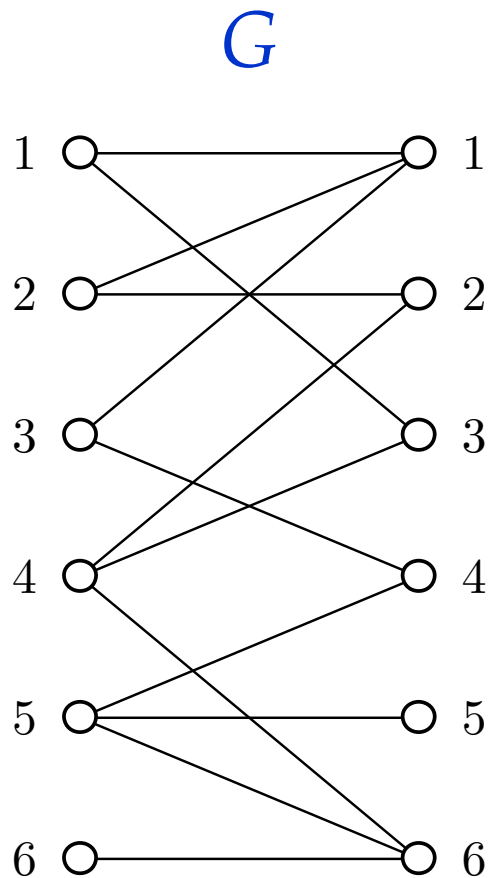
The polynomial  $\det(\tilde{A}(G))$  can have exponentially many terms. Can we efficiently test whether it is non-zero?

Substitute random numbers into variables in  $\tilde{A}(G)$  and compute the determinant of the resulting matrix  $A(G)$  — *random adjacency matrix*.

With high probability  $\det A(G) \neq 0$  iff  $\det \tilde{A}(G) \neq 0$ , because „polynomials do not have many zeros”.

# Random Adjacency Matrix

There is a perfect matchings.



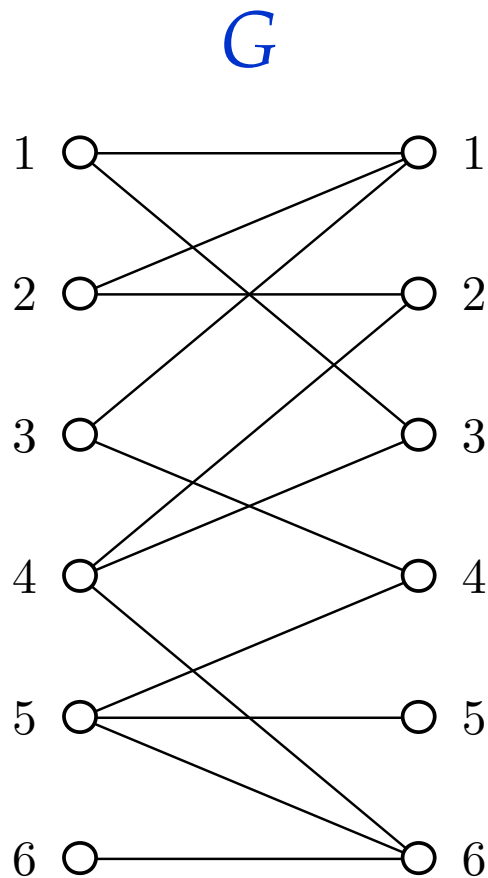
$A(G)$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A(G)) = 2$$

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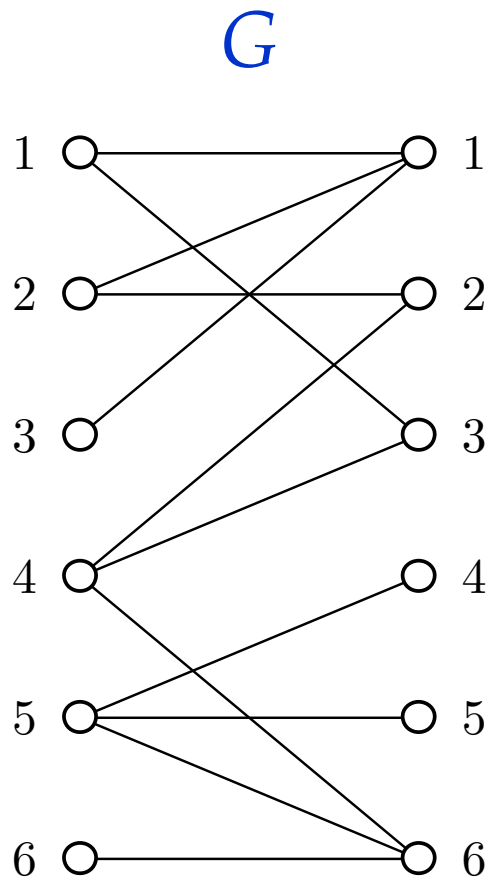
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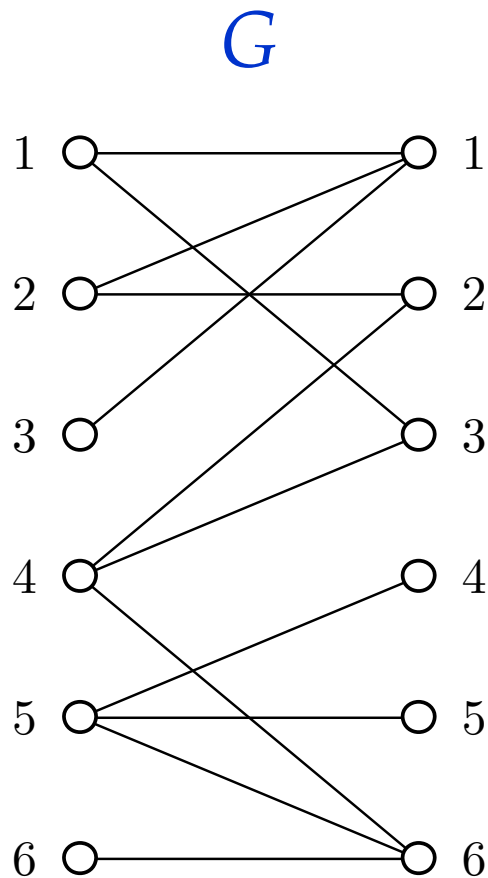
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# Zippel-Schwartz Lemma

**Lemma 1 (Zippel, Schwartz)** *Let  $f(x_1, \dots, x_k)$  be a degree  $n$  polynomial over the field  $F$ . Polynomial  $f$  has no more than  $\frac{n}{|F|} |F|^k$  zeros.*

Let  $F = \mathbb{Z}_p$  for some prime number  $p = \Theta(n^{1+c})$ , then the operations in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  can be performed in constant time.

The probability of a *false zero* – we get zero value for a non-zero polynomial – equals  $O(\frac{1}{n^c})$ .



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# Dynamic Functions

Let  $f : \mathcal{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^m$  be an  $n$  argument function returning  $m$  results.

A dynamic algorithm for  $f$  supports following operations:

- **initialization**( $x_1, \dots, x_n$ ): set the input vector to  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,
- **update**( $k, x'_k$ ): change the  $k$ -th input to  $x'_k$ ,
- **query**( $k$ ): return the  $k$ -th result.

We will consider the problems of dynamically computing the determinant, the inverse matrix and the matrix rank.

# Dynamic Matrix Functions

We are given the matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \det(A) = -2$$

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After the change:

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After the change:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \det(A) = 2$$

# Dynamic Matrix Inverse

## Theorem 2 (Sherman and Morrison '49)

*The problem of dynamically computing:*

- *the determinant,*
- *the inverse matrix,*

*for non-singular column updates can be solved with the following costs:*

- **initialization:**  $O(n^\omega)$  time,
- **update:**  $O(n^2)$  time,
- **query:**  $O(1)$  time.

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After the change:

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**Algorithm returns**  
**FAILURE.**  $\det(A) = 0$

# Dynamic Matrix Inverse

## Theorem 3 (Sankowski '04)

*The problem of dynamically computing:*

- *the determinant,*
- *the inverse matrix,*

*for non-singular element updates can be solved with the following costs:*

- **initialization:**  $O(n^\omega)$  time,
- **update:**  $O(n^{1.575})$  time,
- **query:**  $O(n^{0.575})$  time.

# Dynamic Matrix Inverse

## Theorem 4 (Sankowski '04)

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- *the determinant,*
- *the inverse matrix,*

*for non-singular element updates can be solved with the following costs:*

- **initialization:**  $O(n^\omega)$  time,
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- **query:**  $O(n^{1.495})$  time.

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# Dynamic Matrix Rank

## Theorem 5 (Sankowski '07)

Dynamic Matrix Inverse

Update  $O(n^\alpha)$  operations

Query  $O(n^\alpha)$  operations

*assumes non-singularity*



Dynamic Matrix Rank

Update  $O(n^\alpha)$  time

Query  $O(1)$  time

*randomized*

# Dynamic Characteristic Poly.

## Theorem 6 (Frandsen and Sankowski '08)

*There exists a dynamic algorithm for computing the characteristic polynomial of a generic matrix supporting **column updates** in  $\tilde{O}(n^2)$  worst case time and **queries** in  $O(1)$  time.*

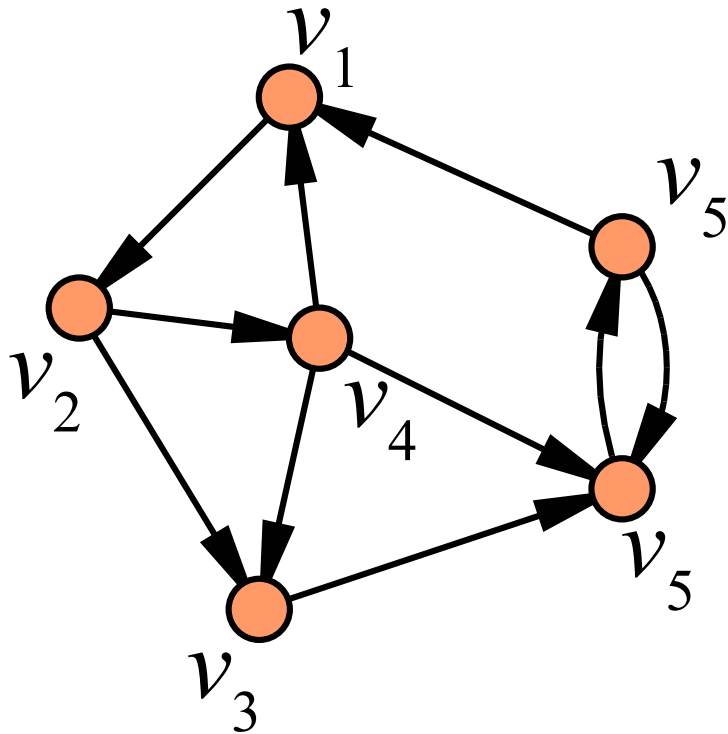
- Can work with non-generic matrices, but requires more time.
- Can be used to approximate eigenvalues of the matrix.

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# Dynamic Transitive Closure

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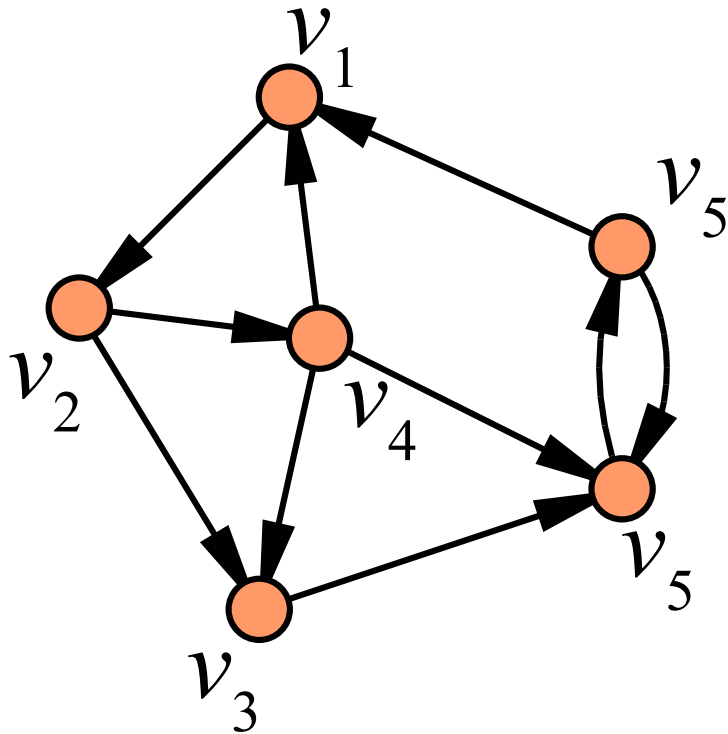


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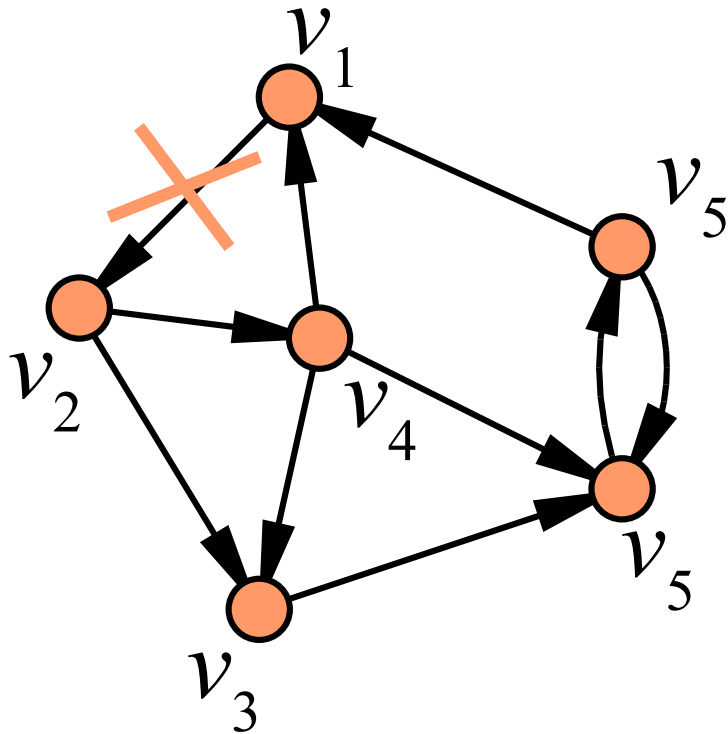
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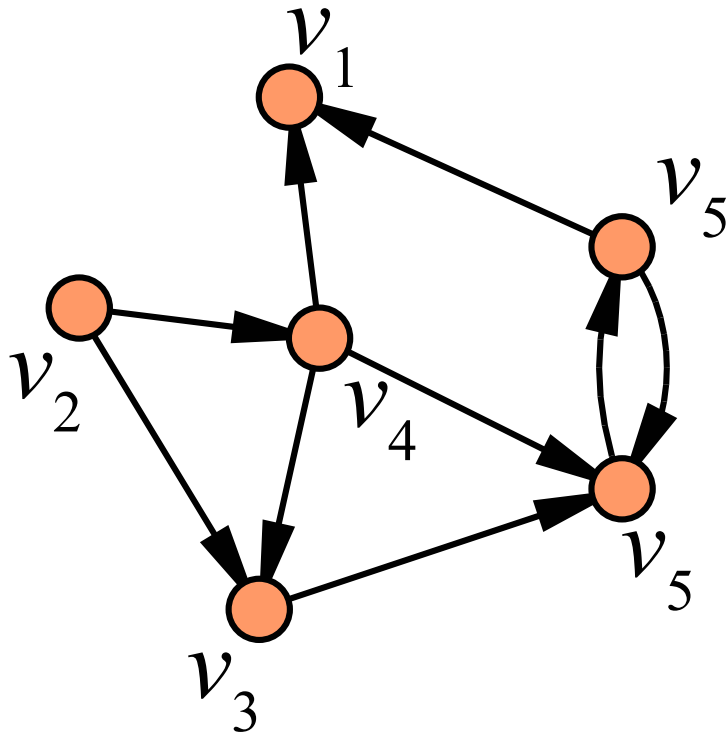
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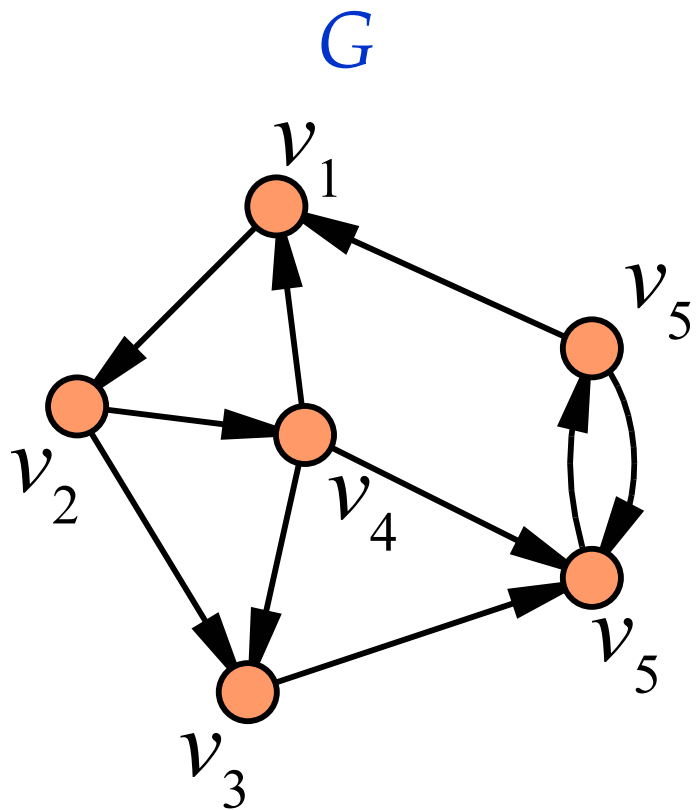
Is there a path from  $v_1$  to  $v_4$ ? NO

# Dynamic Transitive Closure

|                                    | Update                 | Query                |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| <i>Henzinger and King '95</i>      | $\tilde{O}(nm^{0.58})$ | $\Theta(n / \log n)$ |
| <i>King and Sagert '99</i>         | $O(n^{2.26})$          | $O(1)$               |
| <i>King '99</i>                    | $O(n^2 \log n)$        | $O(1)$               |
| <i>Demetrescu and Italiano '00</i> | $O(n^2)$               | $O(1)$               |
| <i>Roditty and Zwick '02</i>       | $O(m\sqrt{n})$         | $O(\sqrt{n})$        |
| <i>Roditty and Zwick '04</i>       | $O(m + n \log n)$      | $O(n)$               |
| <i>Sankowski '04 (worst-case)</i>  | $O(n^2)$               | $O(1)$               |
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Symbolic adjacency matrix of the graph:



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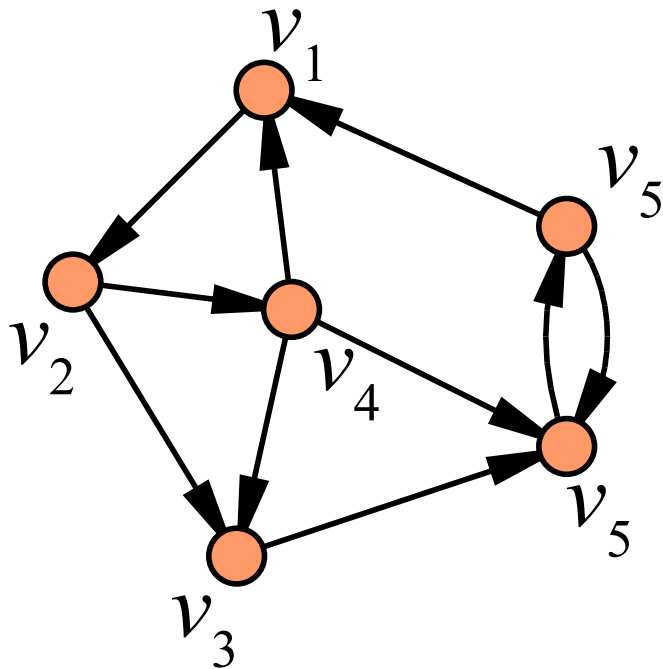
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_{1,2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & x_{2,3} & x_{2,4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & x_{3,5} & 0 \\ x_{4,1} & 0 & x_{4,3} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & x_{5,6} \\ x_{6,1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & x_{6,5} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Symbolic Adjacency Matrix

Let us compute  $\text{adj}(A)_{1,3} = (-1)^{1+3} \det(A^{3,1})$ .

$$\begin{array}{c} A \\ \left( \begin{array}{c|ccccc} 1 & x_{1,2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & x_{2,3} & x_{2,4} & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & x_{3,5} & 0 \\ \hline x_{4,1} & 0 & x_{4,3} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & x_{5,6} \\ x_{6,1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & x_{6,5} & 1 \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow \begin{array}{c} A^{3,1} \\ \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} x_{1,2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & x_{2,3} & x_{2,4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x_{4,3} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & x_{5,6} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x_{6,5} & 1 \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

# Symbolic Adjacency Matrix



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$$= x_{1,2}x_{2,3} - x_{1,2}x_{2,4}x_{4,3} +$$

$$-x_{1,2}x_{2,3}x_{5,6}x_{6,5} + x_{1,2}x_{2,4}x_{4,3}x_{5,6}x_{6,5}.$$

The monomials of the determinant correspond to paths from  $v_1$  to  $v_3$  in  $G$ .

# Dynamic Transitive Closure

**Theorem 7 (Sankowski '04)** *Let  $\tilde{A}$  be a symbolic adjacency matrix of  $G$ , substitute random numbers into variables in obtaining the matrix  $A$ :*

- *there is a path from  $i$  to  $j$  in  $G$  iff  $(I - A)_{ij}^{-1}$  is non-zero (with high probability).*

This allows us to compute the transitive closure by inverting the matrix once — can be easily used in the dynamic case.



# Transitive Closure

## Theorem 8 (Sankowski '04)

Dynamic matrix inverse

Update in  $O(n^\alpha)$  time

Query in  $O(n^\beta)$  time

*can assume nonsingularity*  $\Downarrow$

$\Downarrow$  Dynamic transitive closure

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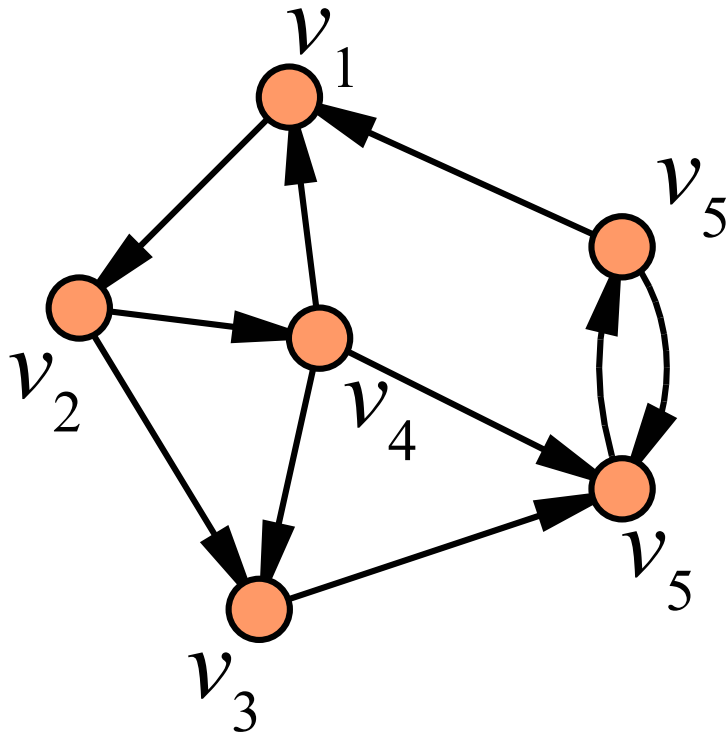
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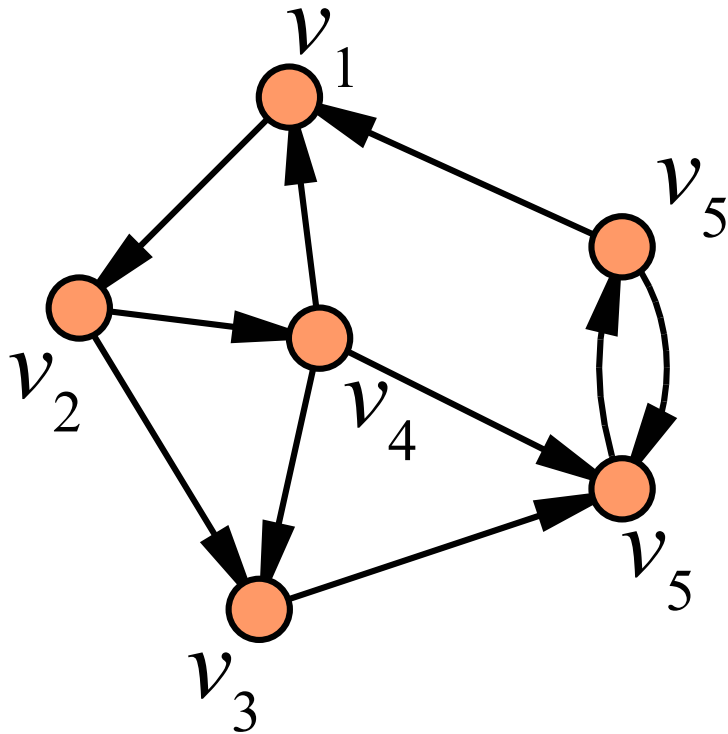
For a given graph:



What is the distance from  $v_1$  to  $v_3$ ?

# Dynamic Distances

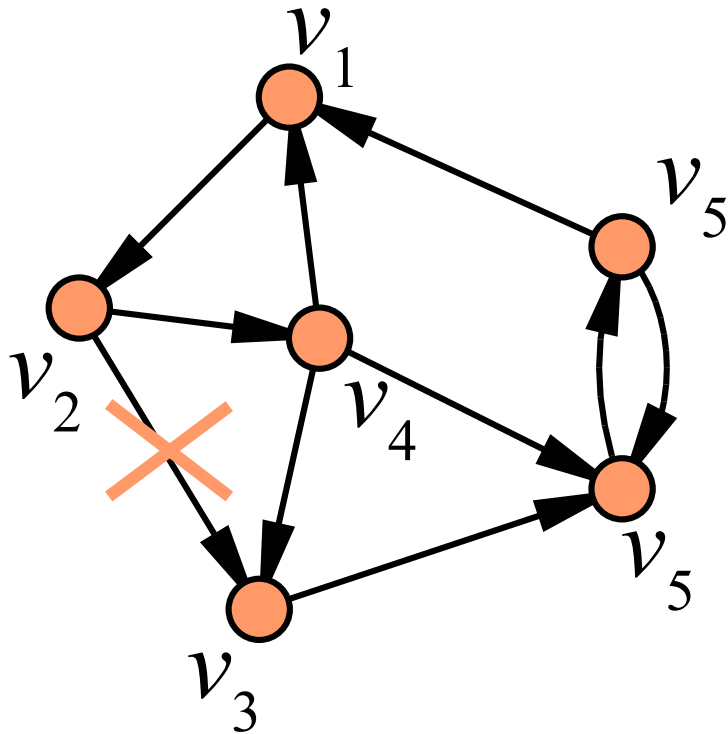
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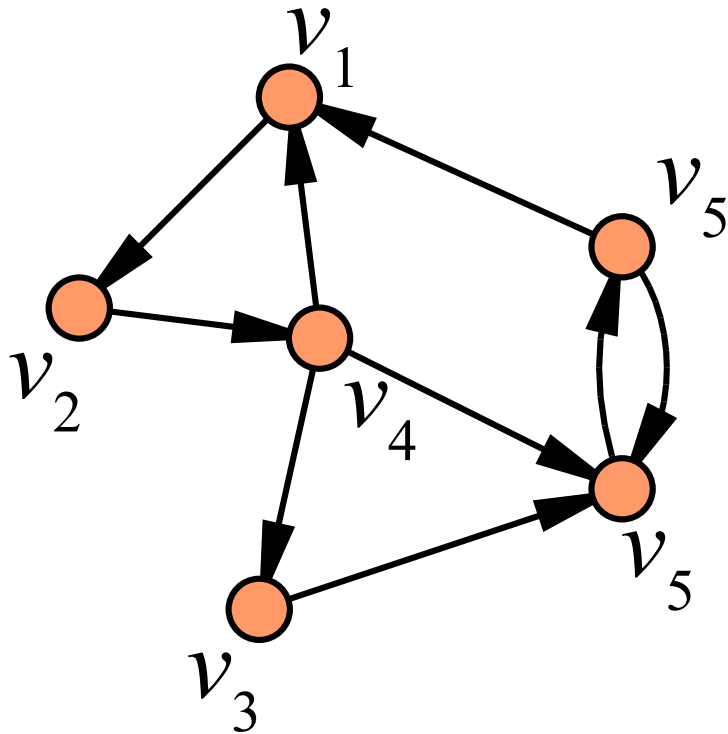
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# Dynamic Distances

|  | Update                                     | Query                                      |
|--|--|--|
| <i>Henzinger et al. '97</i><br>planar graphs       | $O(n^{\frac{4}{3}} \log(nC))$              | $O(n^{\frac{4}{3}} \log(nC))$              |
| <i>Fakcharoemphol and Rao '02</i><br>planar graphs | $O(n^{\frac{4}{5}} \log^{\frac{13}{5}} n)$ | $O(n^{\frac{4}{5}} \log^{\frac{13}{5}} n)$ |
| <i>King '99</i>                                    | $O(n^{2.5} \sqrt{C \log n})$               | $O(1)$                                     |
| <i>Demetrescu and Italiano '00</i>                 | $O(n^{2.5} \sqrt{S \log^3 n})$             | $O(1)$                                     |
| <i>Demetrescu and Italiano '03</i>                 | $\tilde{O}(n^2)$                           | $O(1)$                                     |
| <i>Thorup '05</i>                                  | $\tilde{O}(n^{2.75})$ (worst case)         | $O(1)$                                     |
| <i>Sankowski '05</i>                               | $O(n^{1.932})$ (worst case)                | $O(n^{1.288})$                             |

# Dynamic Distances

Extending the technique from transitive closure and using the path decomposition technique of Knuth-Greene, we get:

**Theorem 9 (Sankowski '05)** *There exists a randomized dynamic algorithm for computing the distances in a directed graph with unit edge weights in supporting **updates** in  $O(n^{1.932})$  time and **queries** in  $O(n^{1.288})$  time.*

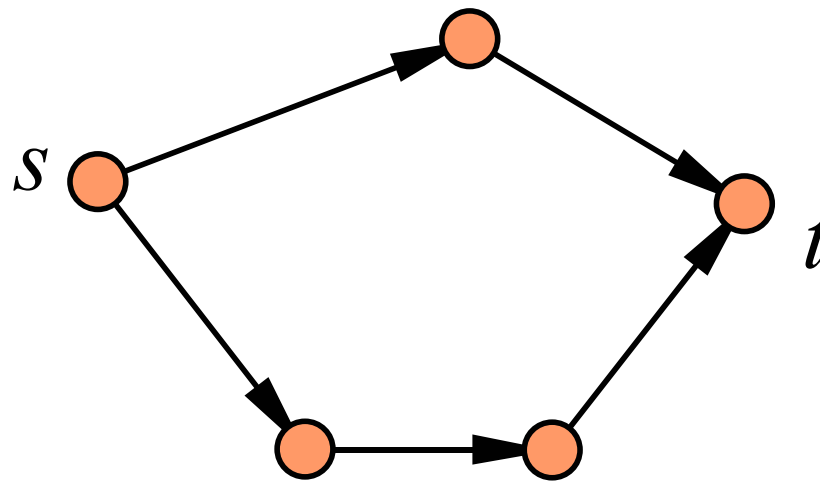


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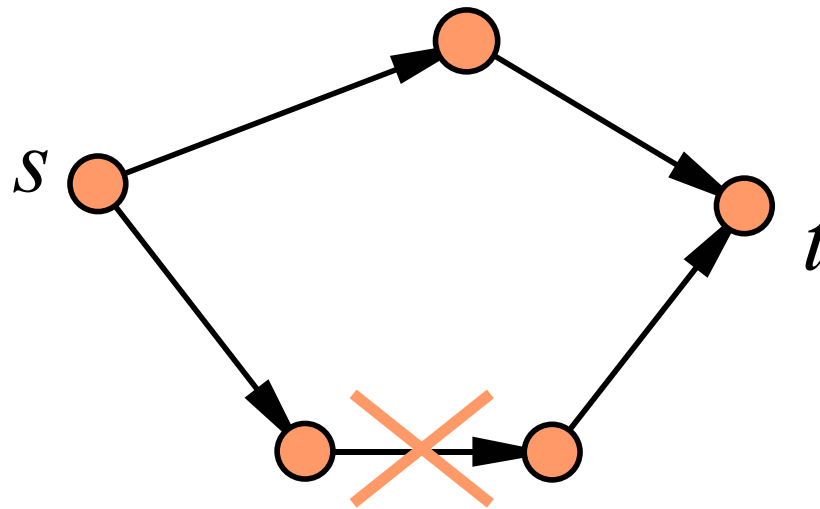
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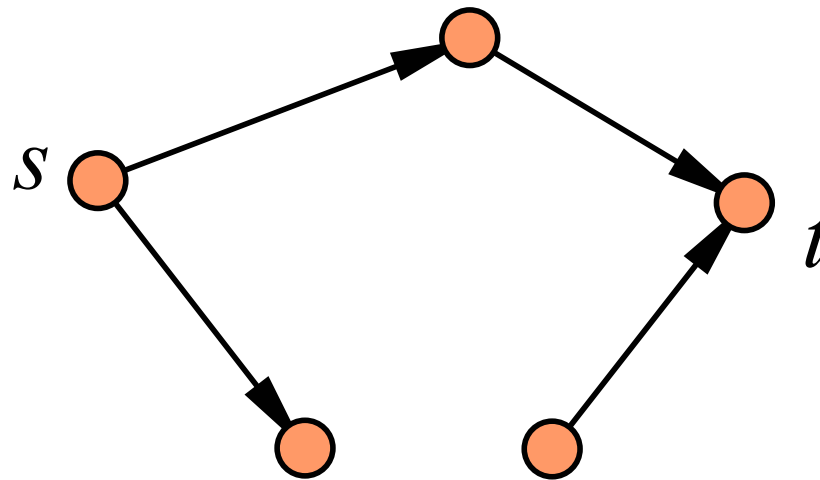
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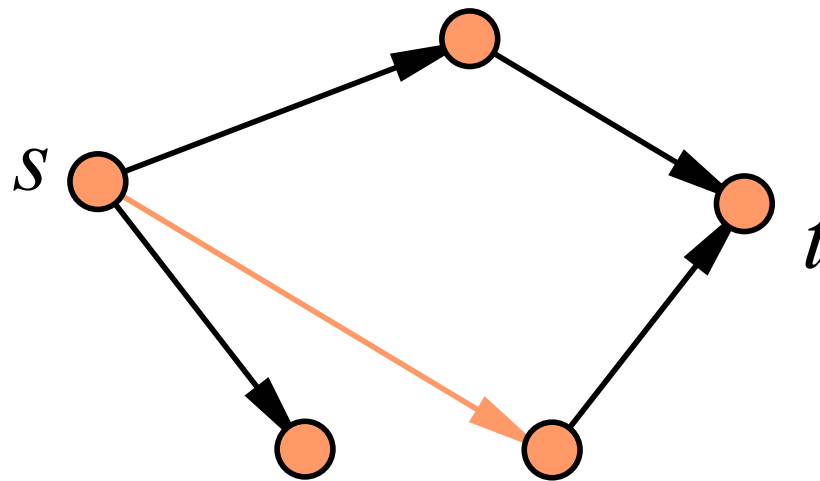
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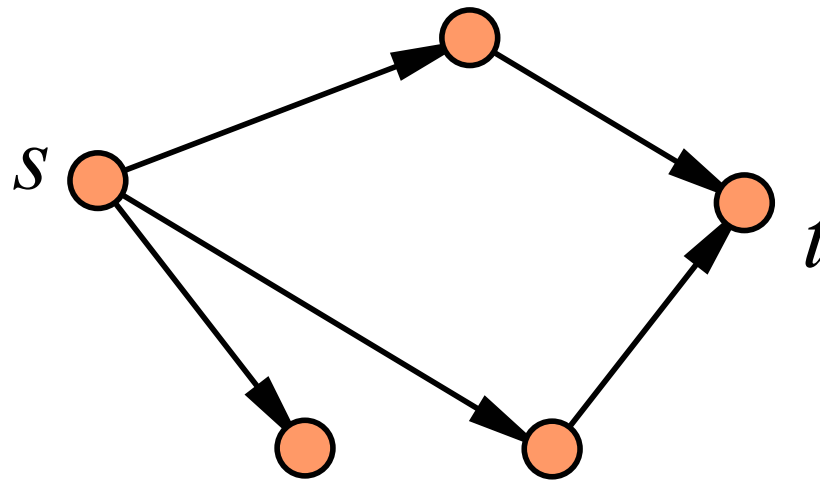
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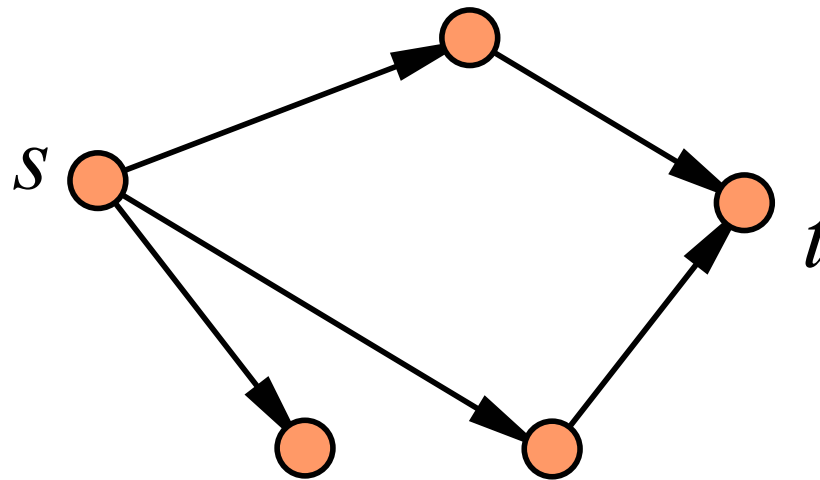
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# Dynamic Vertex Connectivity

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*The  $s$  and  $t$  vertices can be common for these paths.*

# Dynamic Vertex Connectivity

## Theorem 10 (Sankowski '07)

|                              |   |                              |
|------------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Dynamic matrix rank          | ⇒ | Dynamic $s, t$ -paths        |
| Update in $O(n^\alpha)$ time |   | Update in $O(n^\alpha)$ time |
| Query in $O(1)$ time         |   | Query in $O(1)$ time         |

**Theorem 11 (Sankowski '07)** *There exists an algorithm for dynamically testing if the graph is  $k$  vertex connected that supports edge updates in  $\tilde{O}(n^{1.575} + nk^2)$  time and queries in  $O(1)$  time. The algorithm is randomized.*



# Dynamic Results

Dynamic  $k$ -vertex connectivity:

- undirected connectivity and 2-vertex connectivity in  $\tilde{O}(1)$  time by Holm *et al.* '00.
- undirected 3-vertex connectivity and 4-vertex connectivity in  $\tilde{O}(n)$  time by Eppstein *et al.* '97.
- directed 1-vertex connectivity, i.e., strong connectivity in  $O(n^{1.575})$  time using the transitive closure algorithm by Sankowski '04.

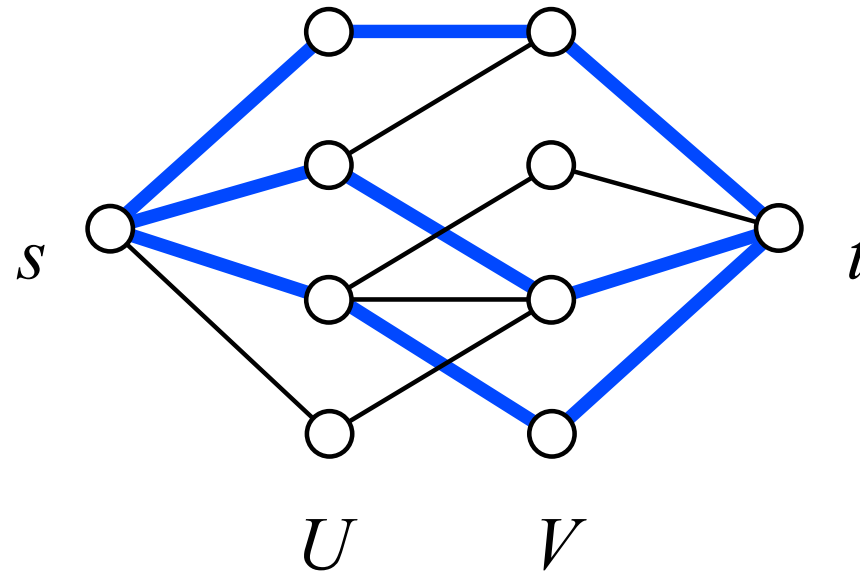
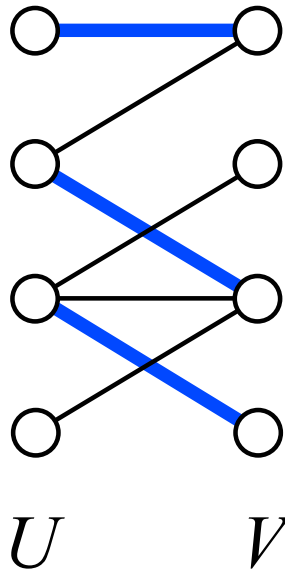
# Static Results

Static  $k$ -vertex connectivity:

| Complexity                        | Author   |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| $\tilde{O}(n^\omega + nk^\omega)$ | ( <i>undirected</i> ) Linial, Lovász and Wigderson '88 |
| $\tilde{O}(n^\omega + nk^\omega)$ | Cheriyán and Reif '92                                  |
| $O((k^{5/2} + n)m)$               | Gabow '00  |
| $O((k + n^{1/4})n^{3/4}m)$        | Gabow '00  |
| $O((k^{5/2} + n)kn)$              | ( <i>undirected</i> ) Gabow '00                        |
| $O((k + n^{1/4})kn^{7/4})$        | ( <i>undirected</i> ) Gabow '00                        |

Our result –  $\tilde{O}(n^{1.575} + nk^2)$  time per update.

# Dynamic Maximum Matchings



## Theorem 12 (Sankowski '07)

Dynamic matrix rank

Update in  $O(n^\alpha)$  time

Query in  $O(1)$  time

Dynamic max. matchings

$\Rightarrow$  Update in  $O(n^\alpha)$  time

Query in  $O(1)$  time

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# Matchings

**Theorem 13 (Lovász)** *Let  $A$  be a random adjacency matrix of the graph  $G$ , then:*

- *$G$  contains a perfect matching iff  $\det(A) \neq 0$  (with high probability).*

This allows us to test if the graph contains a perfect matching by computing the determinant once — can be used in the dynamic case!

Can we use this idea to find the perfect matching?

# Matchings

The edge  $e$  is *allowed* if it is contained in some perfect matching.

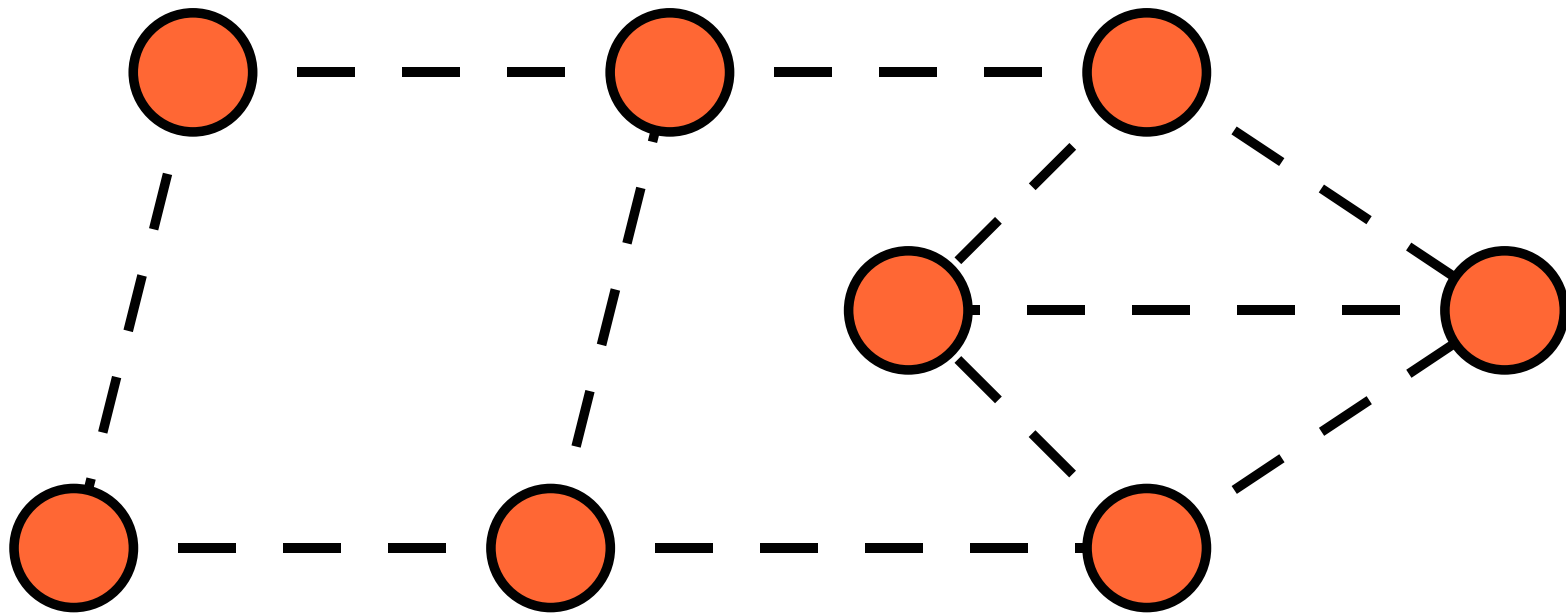
**Theorem 14 (Rabin and Vazirani)** *Let  $A$  be a random adjacency matrix of the graph  $G$ , then:*

- *the edge  $uv$  is allowed iff  $A_{u,v}^{-1} \neq 0$  (with high probability).*

Thus we can determine the allowed edges using the inverse matrix.

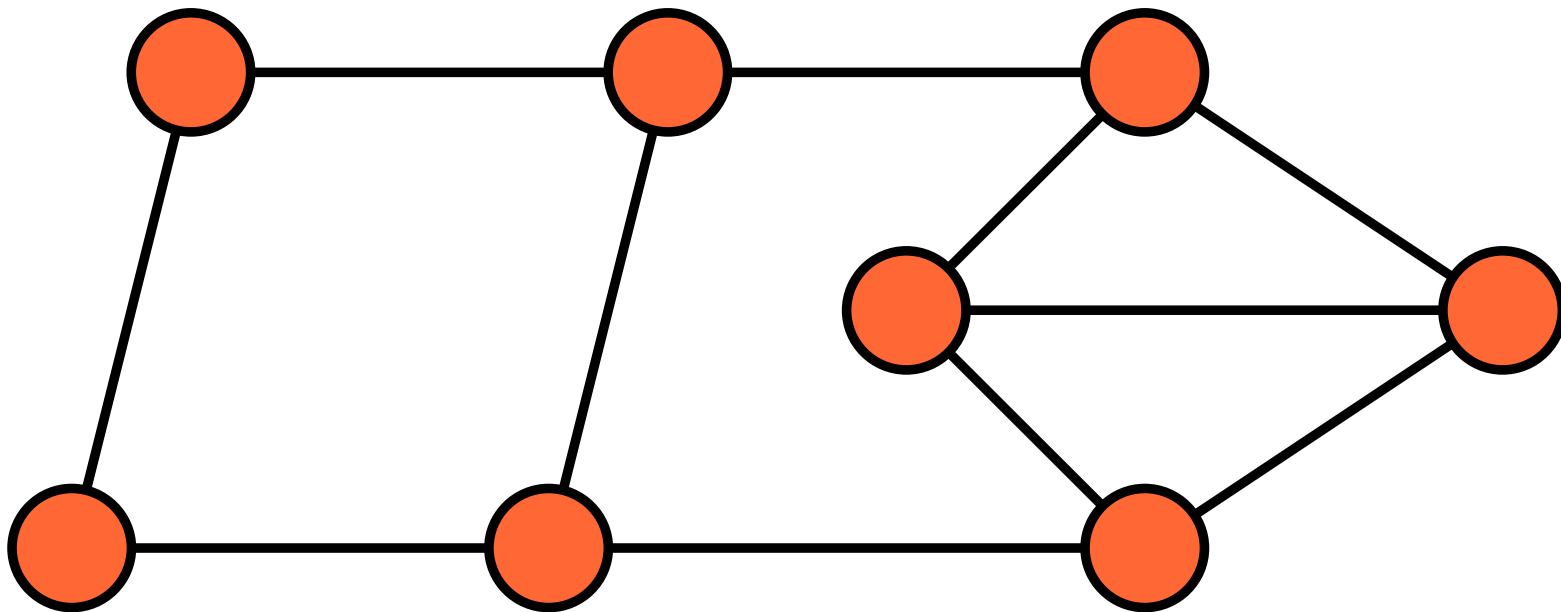
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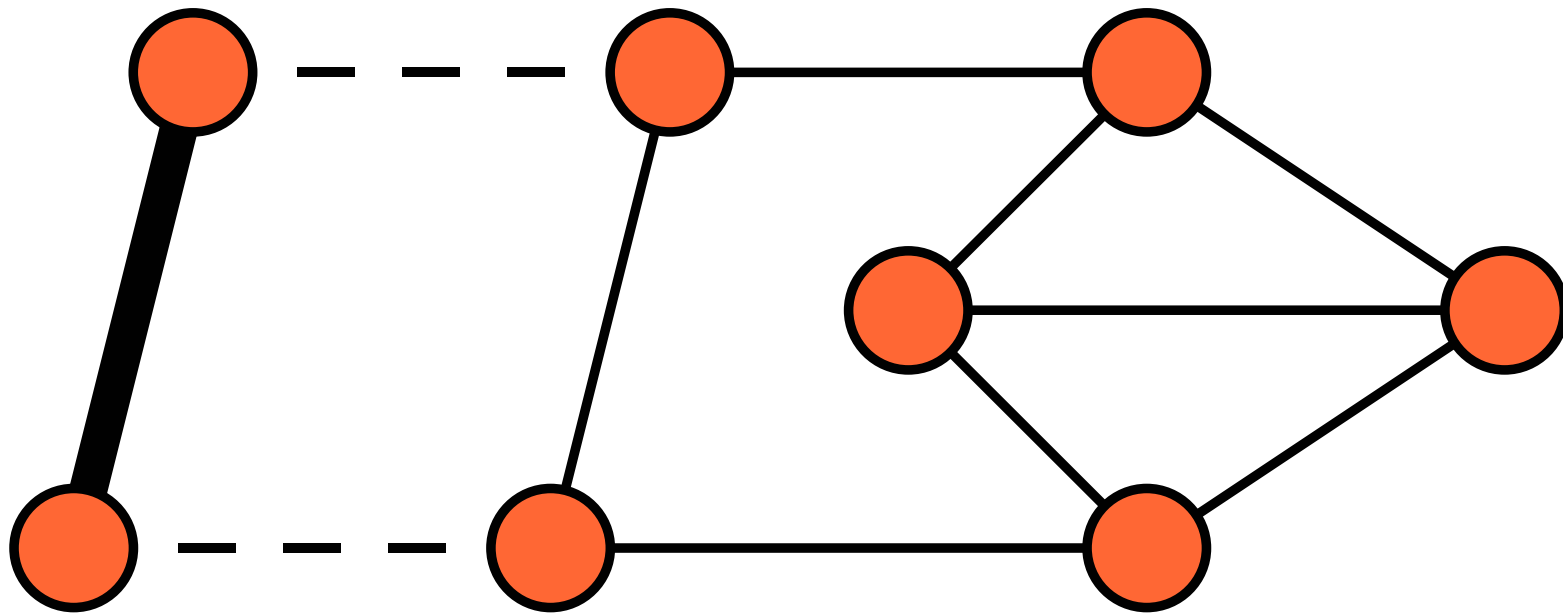
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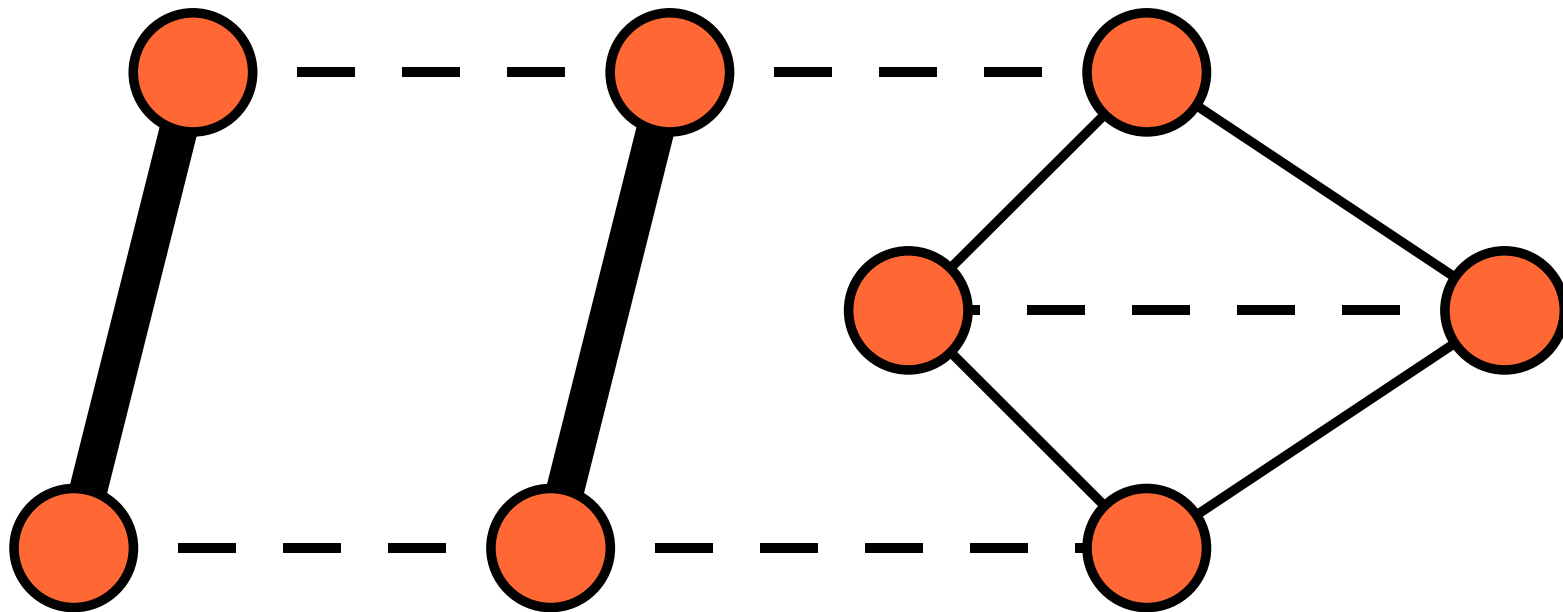
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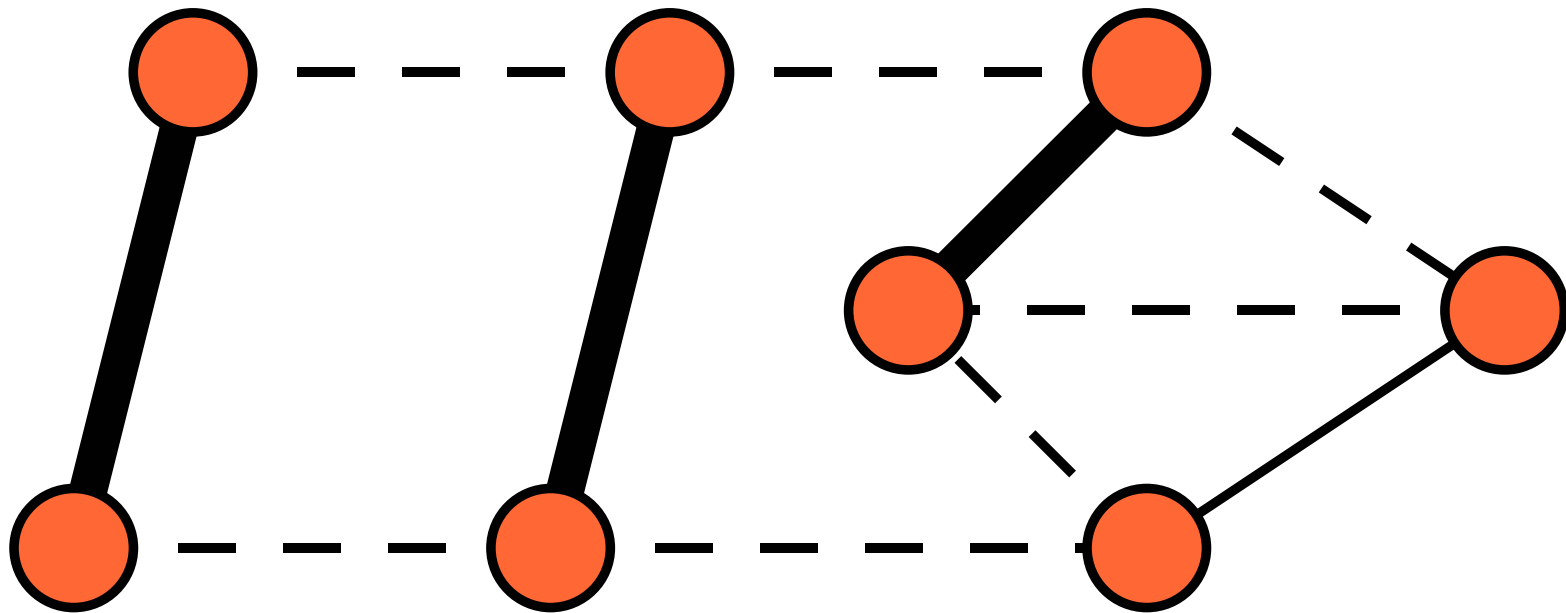
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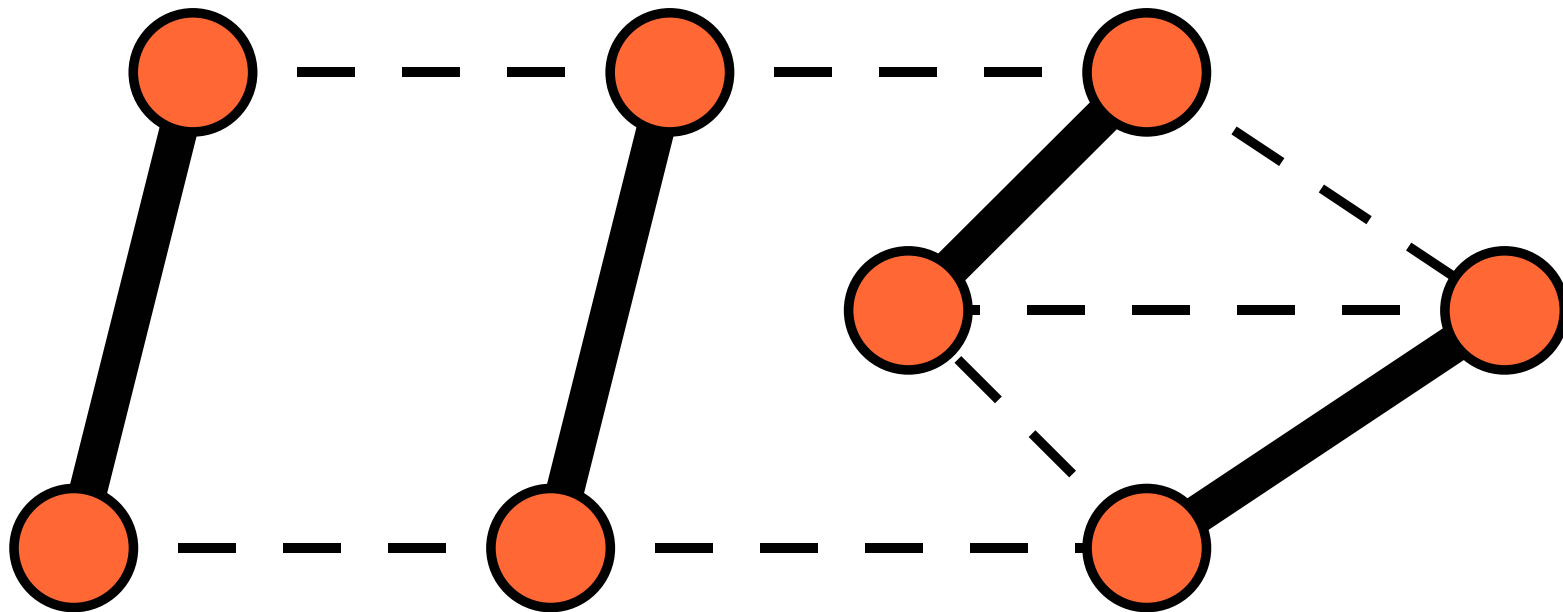
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# Matchings

Using dynamic matrix inverse we can find allowed edges and remove other edges — we get an  $O(n^{2.575})$  time algorithm for finding perfect matchings in graphs.

Using Gaussian Elimination that works in  $O(n^\omega)$  time we get:

**Theorem 15 (Sankowski and Mucha '04)** *There exist a randomized algorithm finding perfect (and maximum) matchings in graph in  $O(n^\omega)$  time.*

# Previous Results

Previous known results:

- $O(\sqrt{nm})$  — for bipartite graphs  
(Hopcroft, Karp '73),
- $O(\sqrt{nm})$  — for general graphs  
(Micali, Vazirani '80).

For dense graphs the algorithms work in  $O(n^{2.5})$  time.

# Planar Graphs

The results (*Mucha & Sankowski '04*):

- simple  $O(n^{\frac{3}{2}})$  time algorithm,
- $O(n^{\frac{\omega}{2}}) = O(n^{1.19})$  time algorithm.

Previous results:

- $\tilde{O}(n^{\frac{4}{2}})$  for perfect matchings in bipartite graphs — Klein et al. '94,
- $O(n^{\frac{3}{2}})$  for general planar graphs — Lipton, Tarjan '77 or Micali, Vazirani '80.

# Weighted Matchings

We are given the graph  $G = (V, E)$  and the function  $w : E \rightarrow \{0, \dots, W\}$  that ascribes weights to edges.

The *weight* of the matching  $M$  is the sum of the weights of the edges in  $M$ .

We want to find a perfect matching with maximum weight.



# Storjohann's Algorithm

## Theorem 16 (Storjohann '03)

*Let  $A \in K[x]^{n \times n}$  be a polynomial matrix of degree  $d$  and  $b \in K[x]^{n \times 1}$  be a polynomial vector of the same degree, then*

- *rational system solution  $A^{-1}b$ ,*
- *determinant  $\det(A)$ ,*  
*can be computed in  $O(n^\omega d)$  operations in  $K$ , with high probability.*

# Weighted Matchings

The weighted problem in bipartite graphs can be reduced to unweighed one in  $O(Wn^\omega)$  time.

**Theorem 17 (Sankowski '06)** *There exist a randomized algorithm finding maximum weight perfect matchings in bipartite graphs in  $O(Wn^\omega)$  time.*

Previous results:

- $O(nm)$  — Edmonds and Karp '72,
  - $O(\sqrt{nm} \log(nW))$  — Gabow and Tarjan '89.
- For dense graphs it is  $O(n^3)$  or  $O(n^{2.5} \log(nW))$ .

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# Distances in Graphs

We are given the graph  $G = (V, E)$  and the weight function  $w : E \rightarrow \{-W, \dots, W\}$  that ascribes weights to the edges.

The *length* of a path  $p$  is the sum of the weights of the edges on  $p$ .

The *distance* from  $v$  to  $w$  is the length of the shortest path from  $v$  to  $w$ .

For the given vertex  $v$  we want to compute the distances to all other vertices or find a negative length cycle.

# Distances in Graphs

We can compute the distances by solving a linear system of equalities over polynomials.

**Theorem 18 (Sankowski '05)** *There exist a randomized algorithm for computing the distances from a given vertex in  $O(Wn^\omega)$  time.*

*As well Yuster and Zwick '05*

Previous results:

- $O(nm)$  — arbitrary weights (Belman and Ford) ,
- $O(\sqrt{nm} \log(W))$  — integer weights (Goldberg),

For dense graphs we get  $O(n^3)$  or  $O(n^{2.5} \log(W))$ .

# Conclusions

The algebraic techniques can be used to construct the asymptotically fastest algorithms for:

- dynamic transitive closure,
- dynamic distances in graphs,
- dynamic vertex connectivity,
- dynamic maximum matchings,
- maximum matchings in graphs,
- maximum weighted matchings in bipartite graphs,
- distances in graphs.

**i.e., the algebraic approach is useful.**

# Open Problems

Some open problems:

- Can one close the complexity gap between dynamic shortest paths and transitive closure?
- Can one find maximum weighted matchings in general graphs in matrix multiplication time?
- Can one dynamically compute the characteristic polynomial/eigenvalues in subquadratic time?