## Graph Theory

Part Two

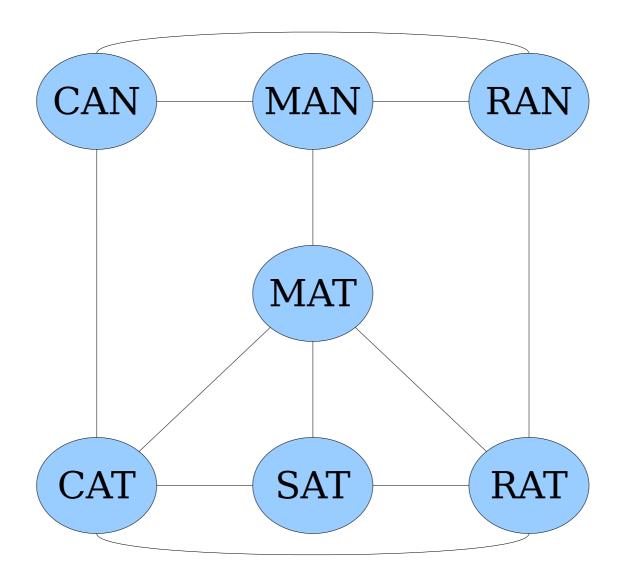
## Outline for Today

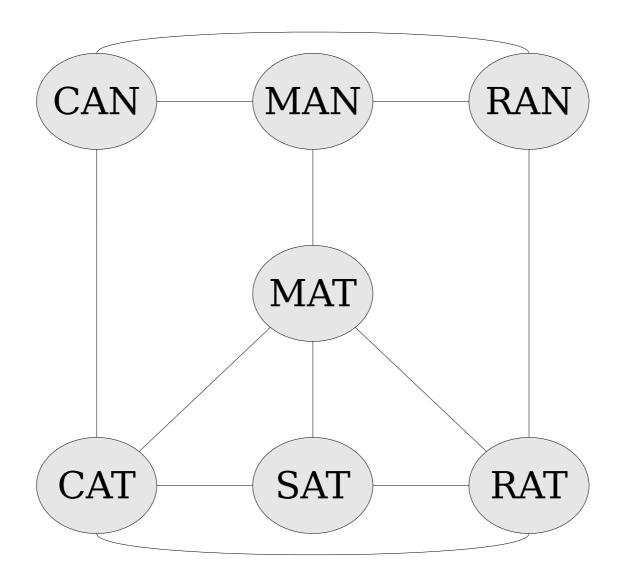
- Walks, Paths, and Reachability
  - Walking around a graph.
- Application: Local Area Networks
  - Graphs meet computer networking.
- Trees
  - A fundamental class of graphs.

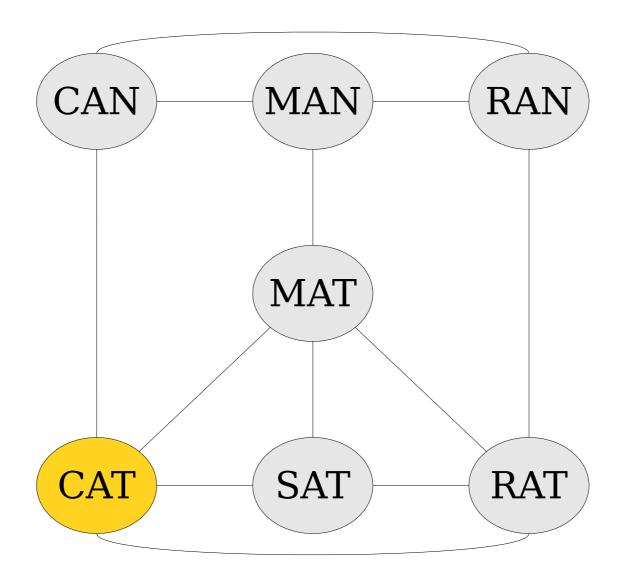
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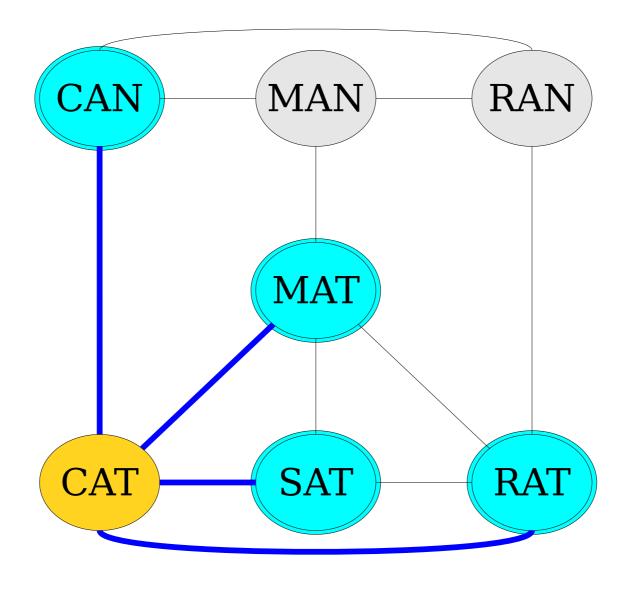
## Graphs and Digraphs

- A *graph* is a pair G = (V, E) of a set of nodes V and set of edges E.
  - Nodes can be anything.
  - Edges are *unordered pairs* of nodes. If  $\{u, v\} \in E$ , then there's an edge from u to v.
- A **digraph** is a pair G = (V, E) of a set of nodes V and set of directed edges E.
  - Each edge is represented as the ordered pair (u, v) indicating an edge from u to v.







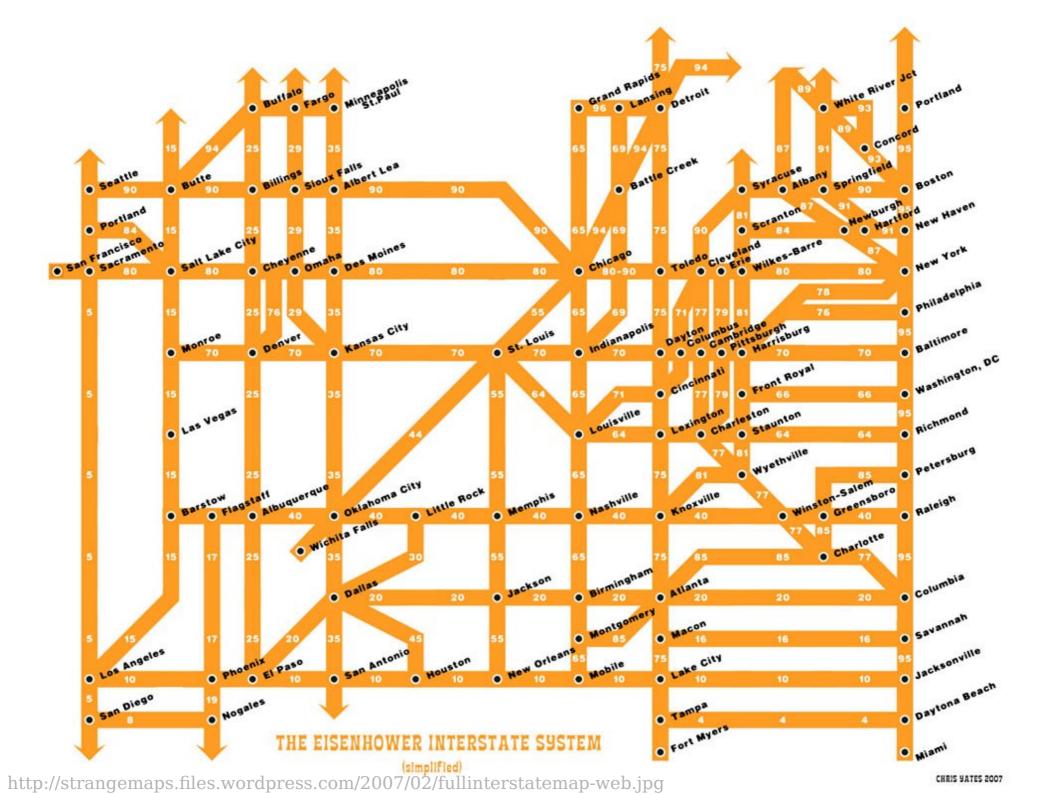


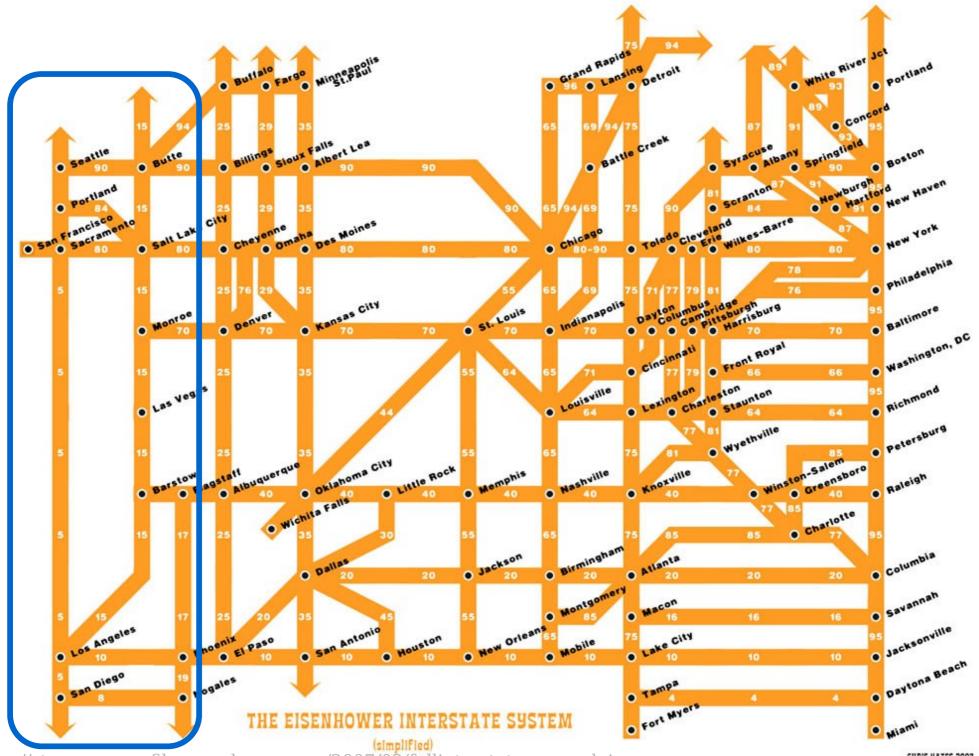
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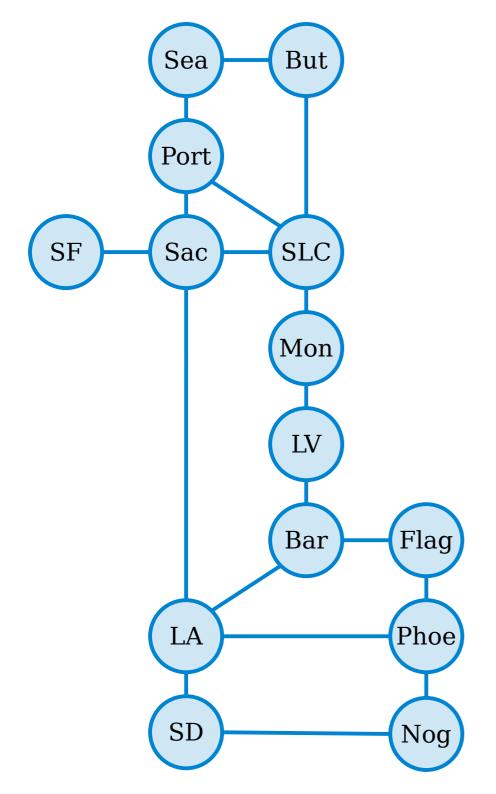
- Let G = (V, E) be an (undirected) graph.
- Intuitively, two nodes are adjacent if they're linked by an edge.
- Formally speaking, we say that two nodes  $u, v \in V$  are *adjacent* if we have  $\{u, v\} \in E$ .
- There isn't an analogous notion for directed graphs. We usually just say "there's an edge from u to v" as a way of reading  $(u, v) \in E$  aloud.

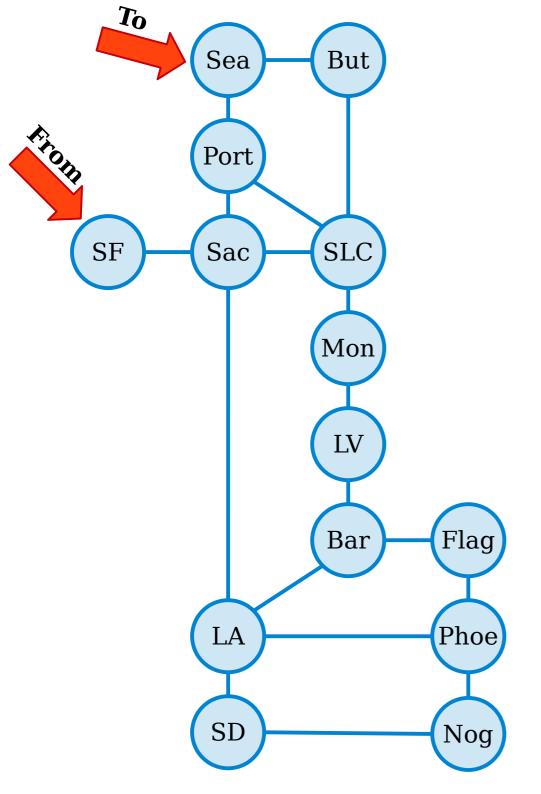
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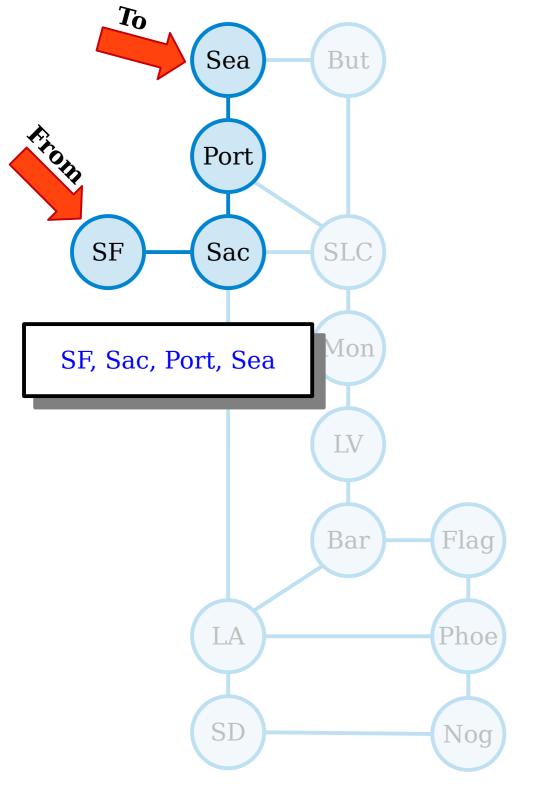
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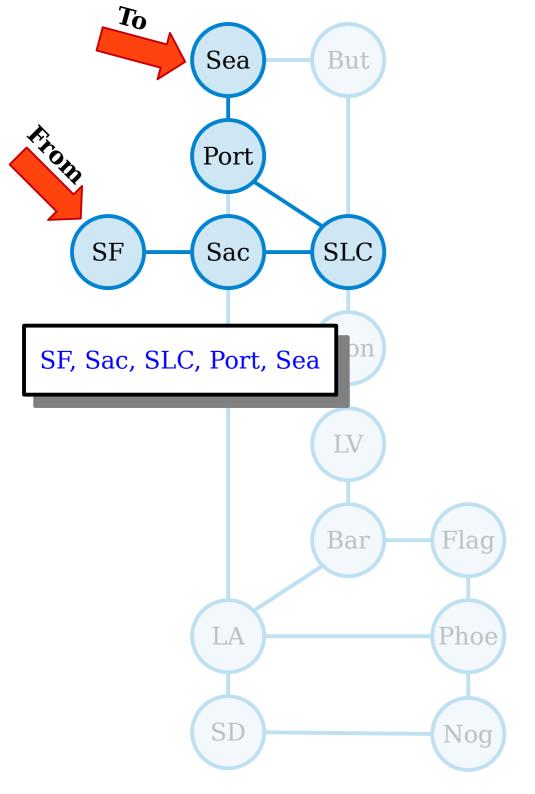


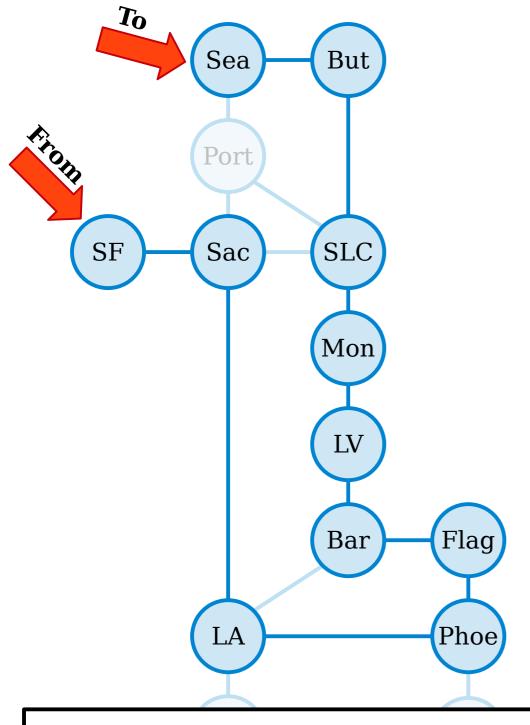


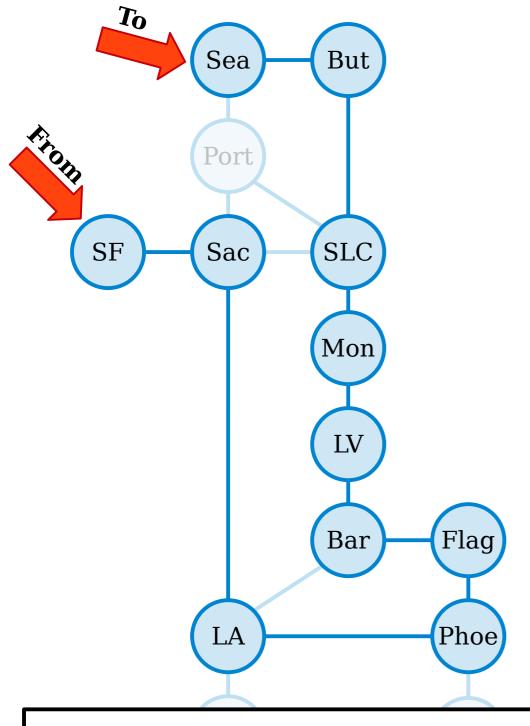


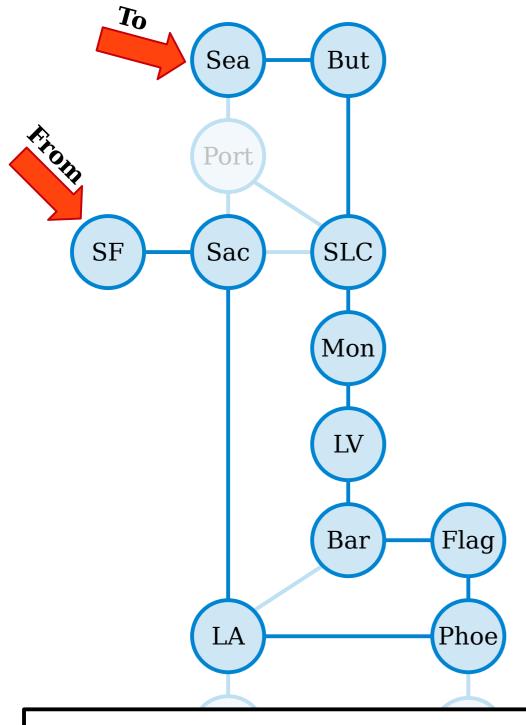




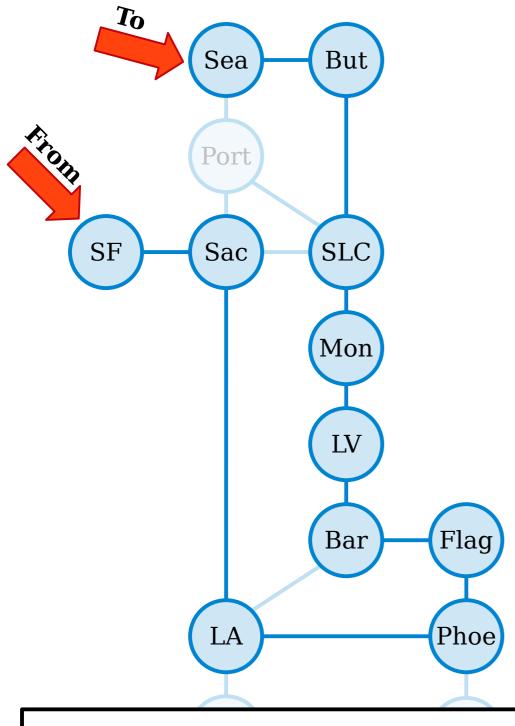






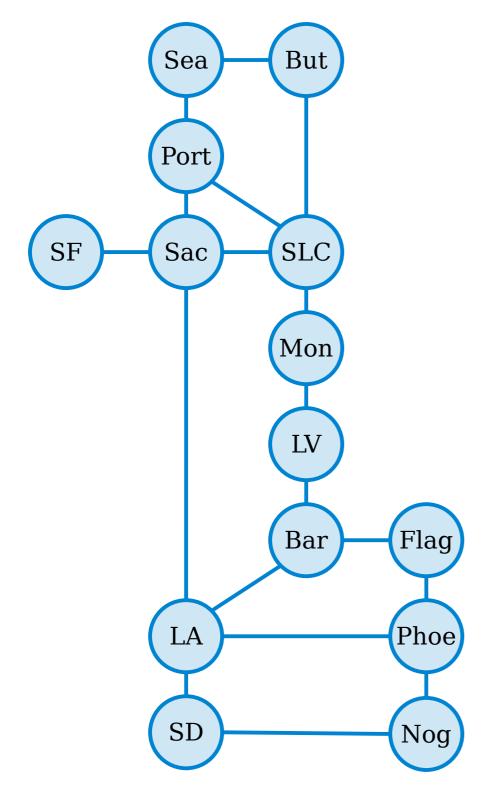


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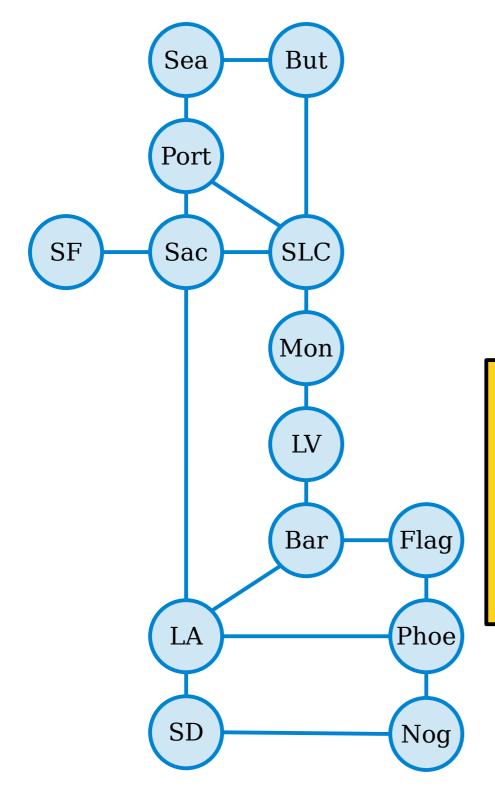


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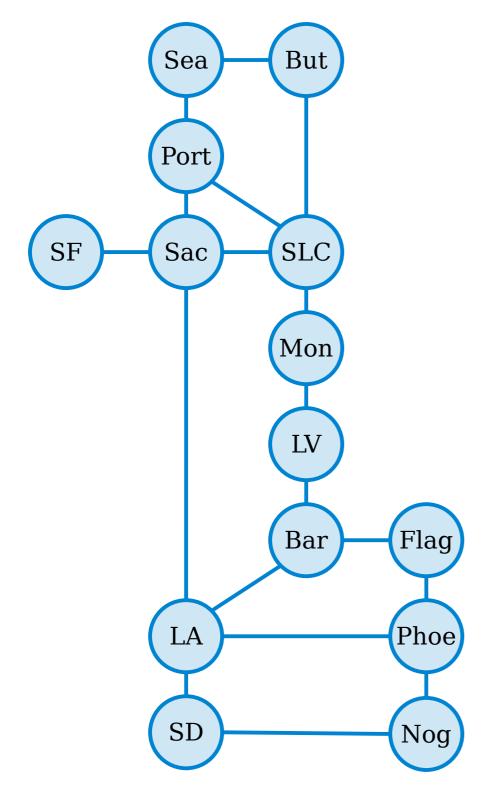


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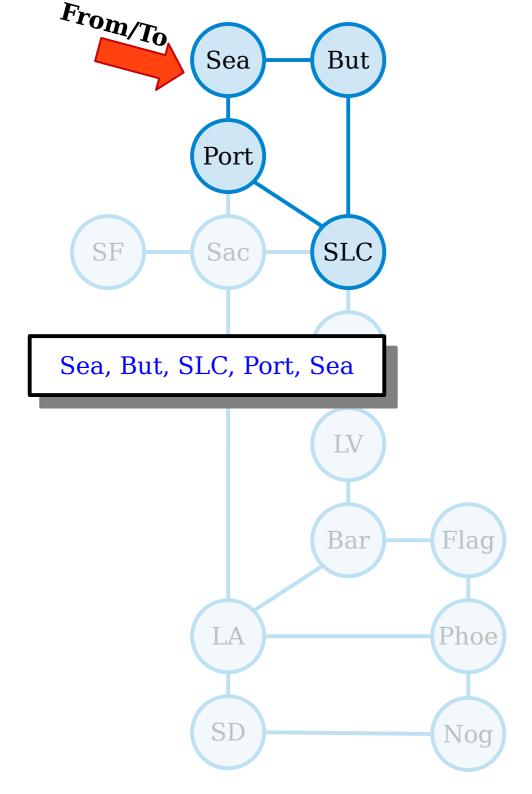
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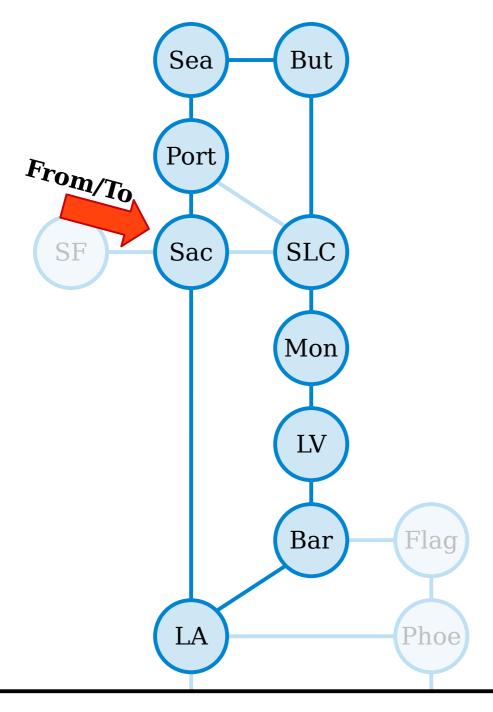
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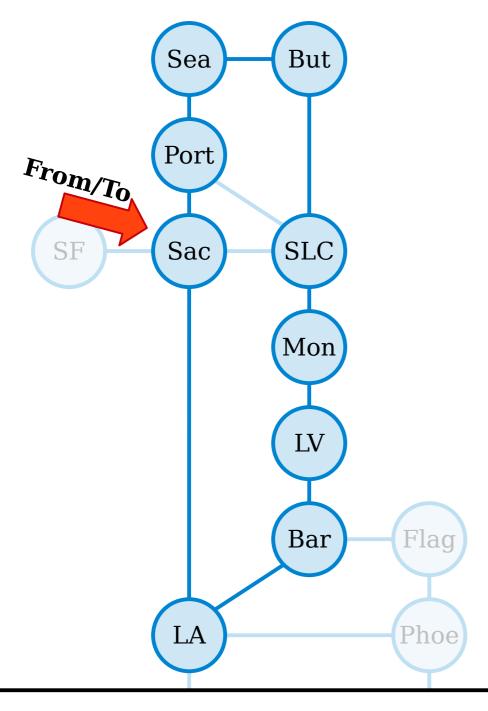


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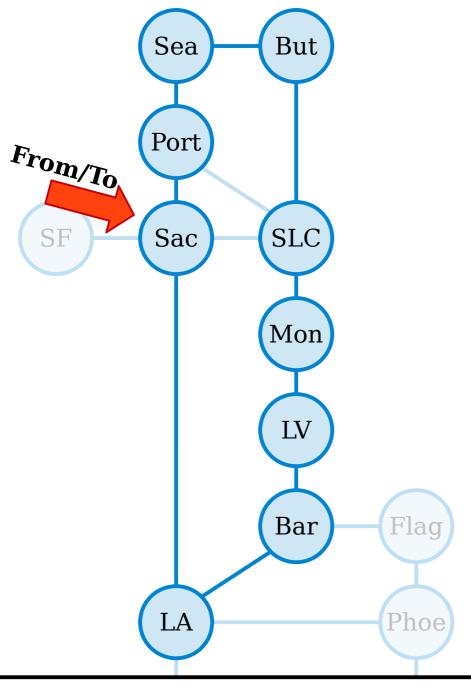
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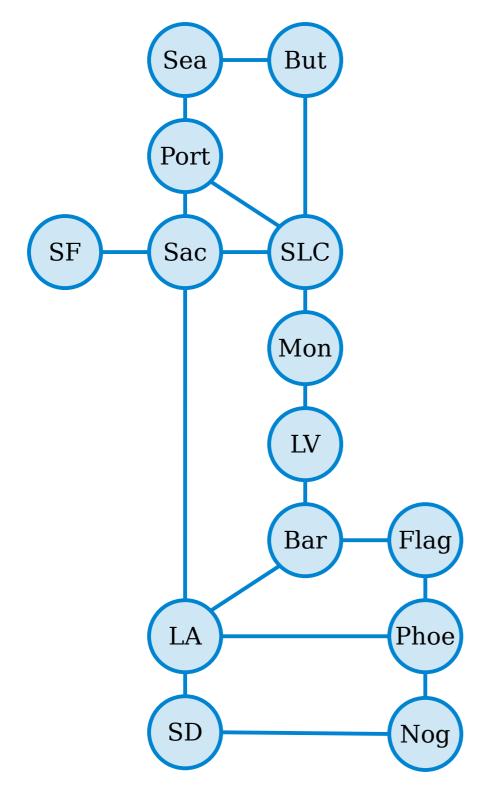


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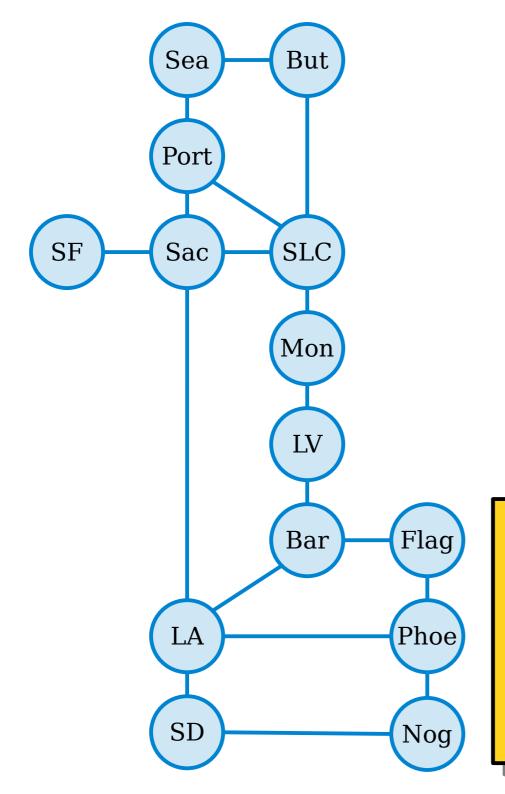
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(This closed walk has length nine and visits nine different cities.)

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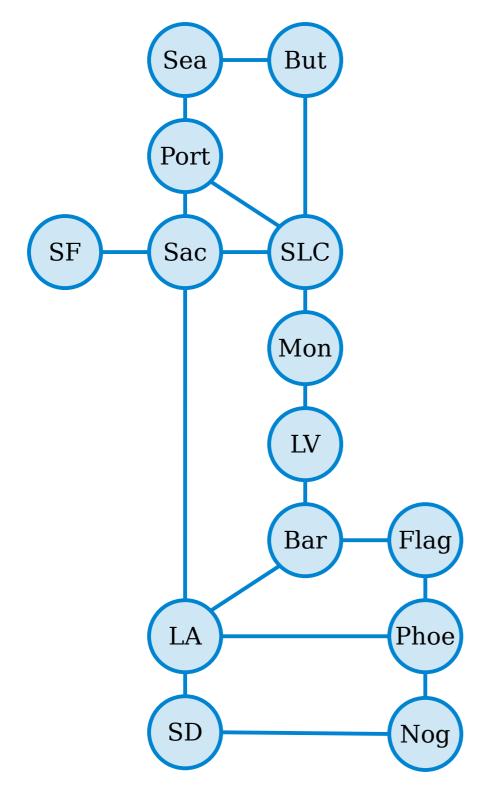
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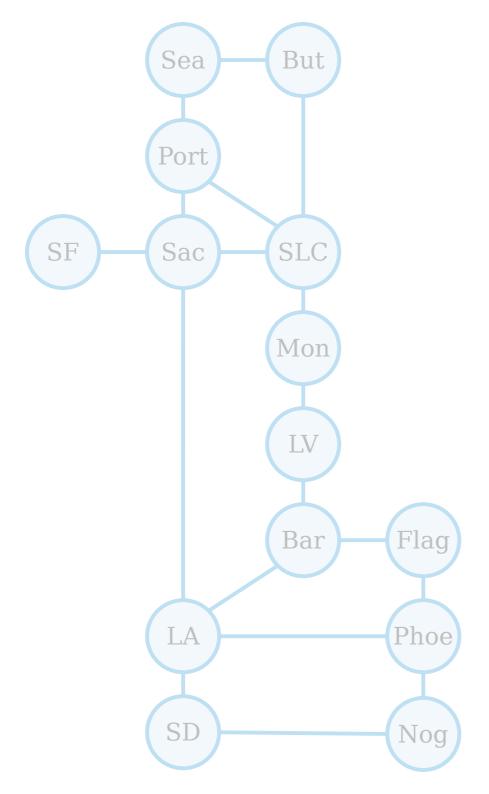
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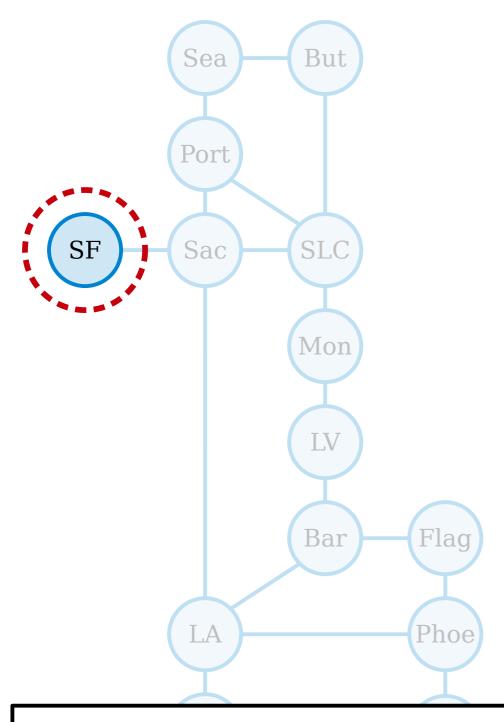
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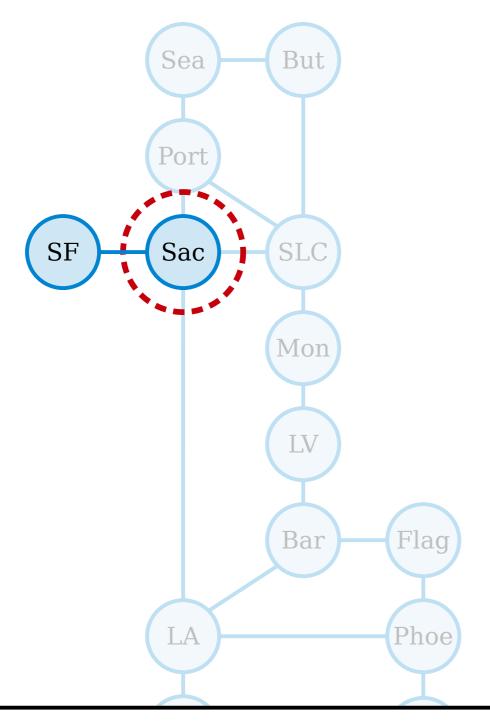
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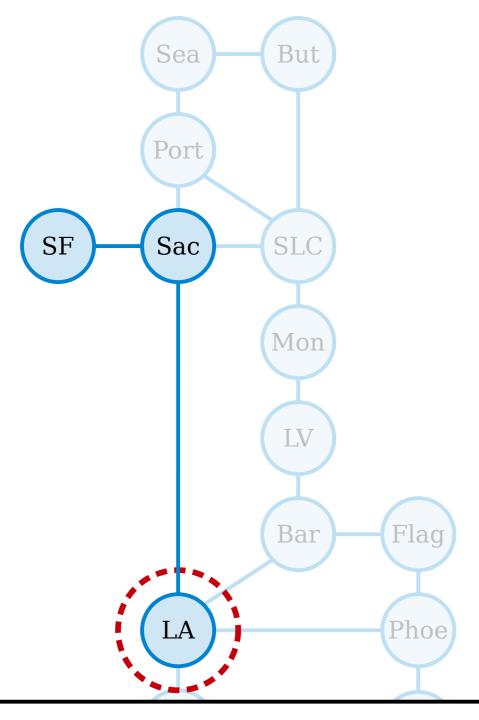
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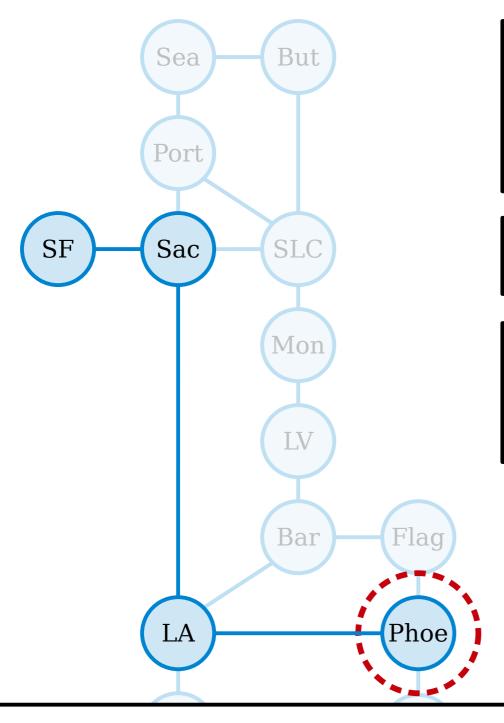
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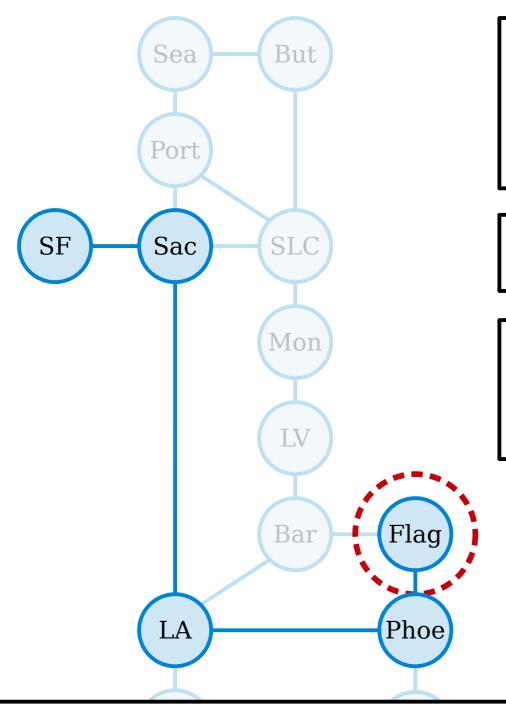
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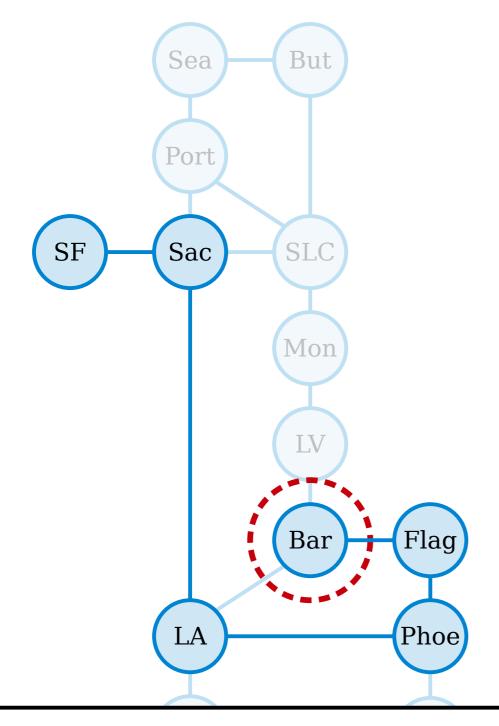
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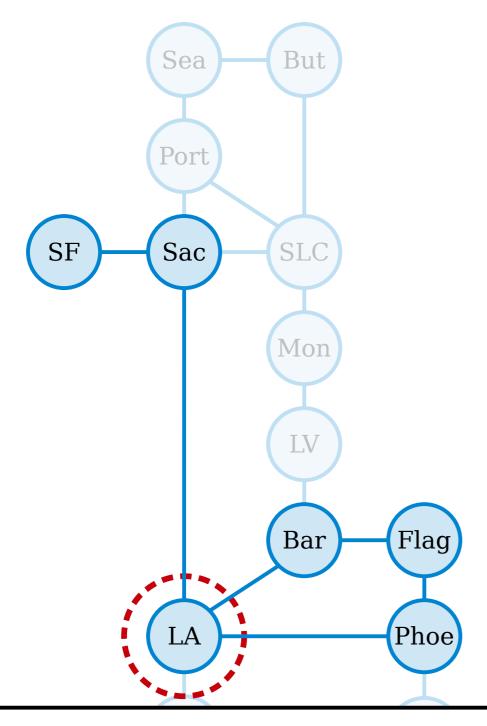
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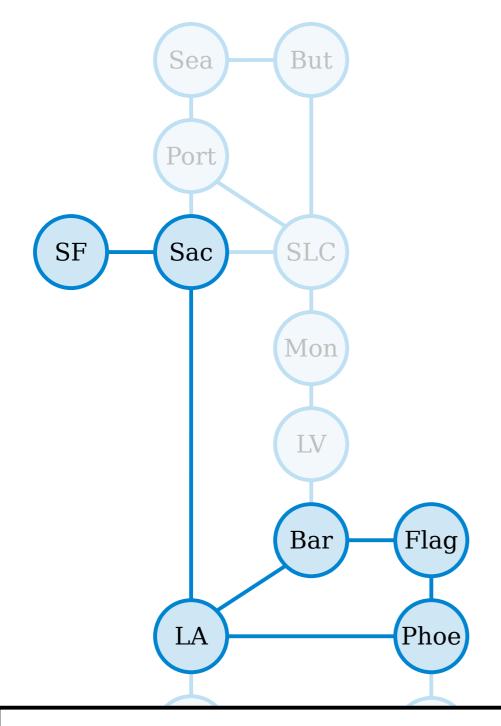


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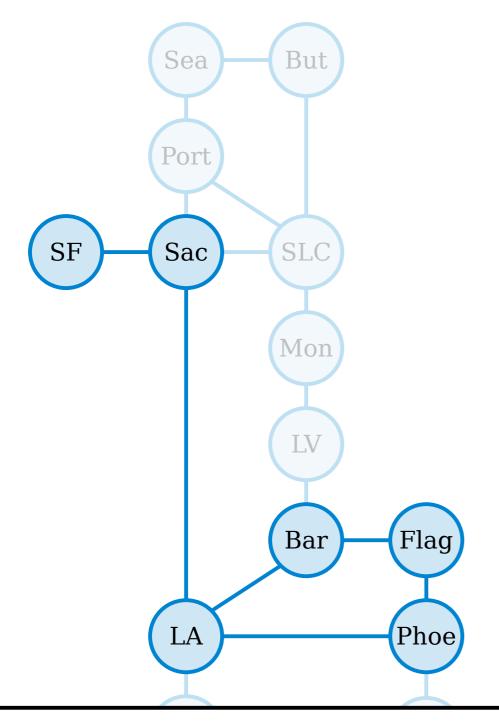


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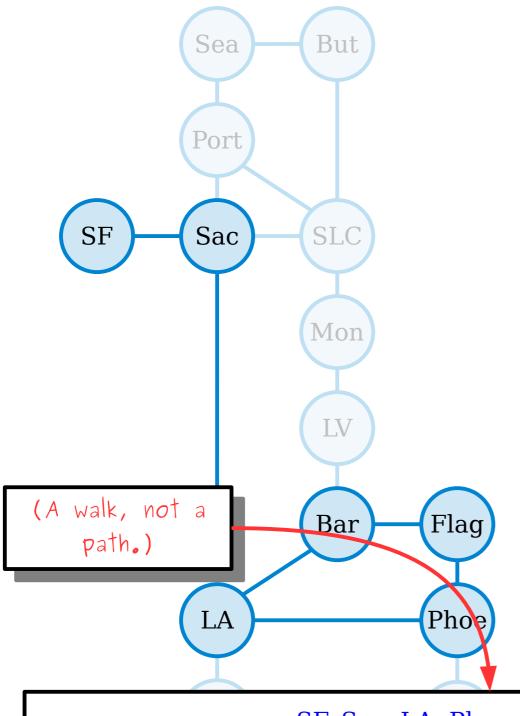


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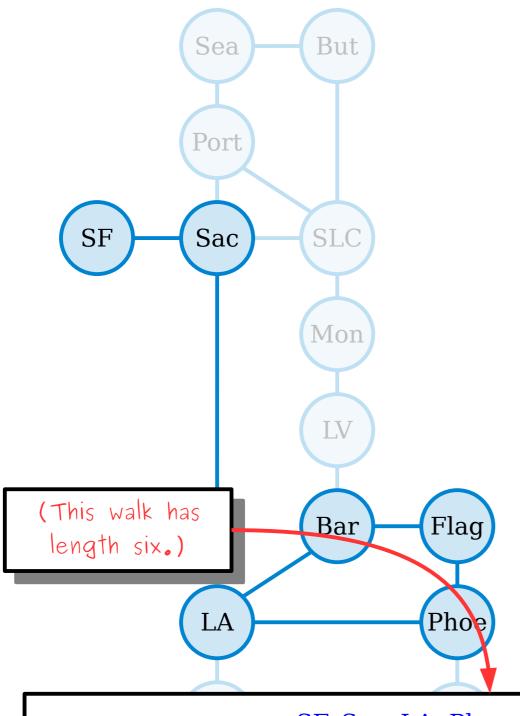


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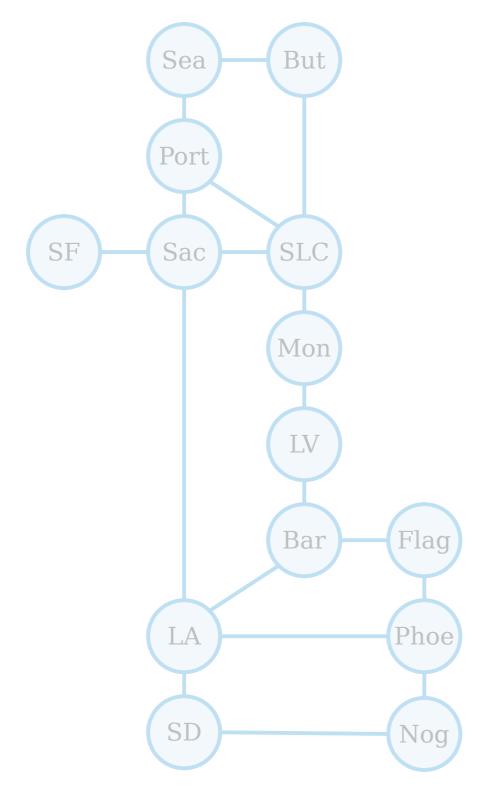


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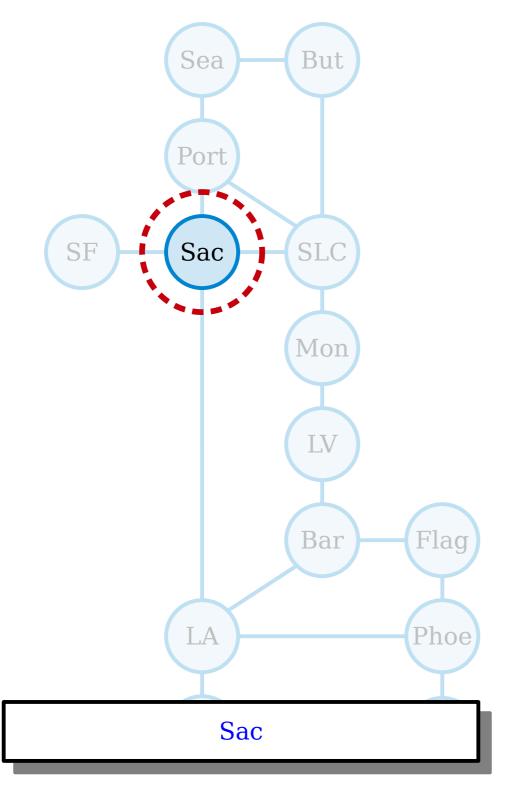
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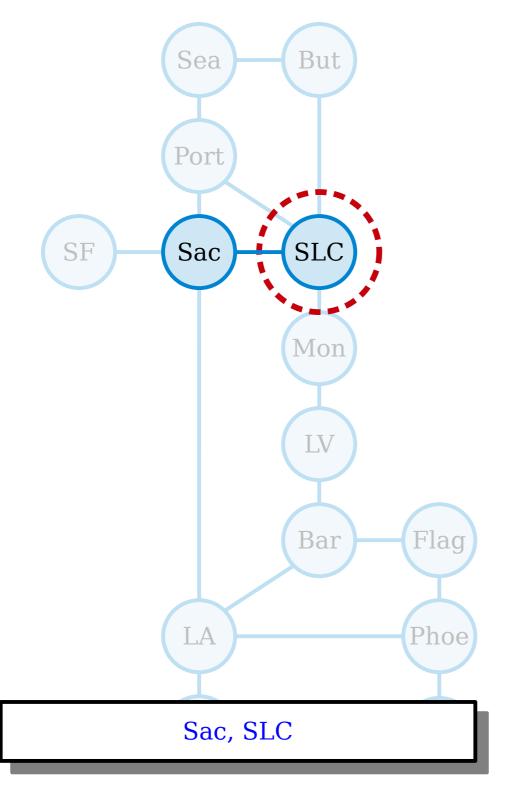
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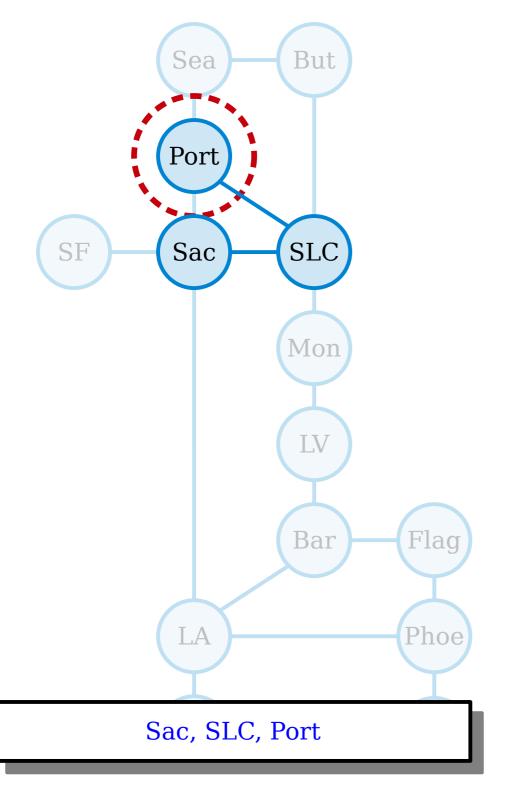
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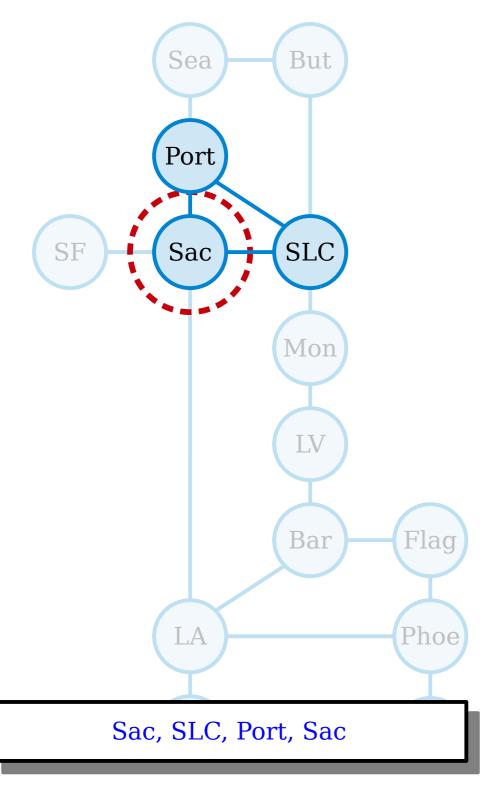
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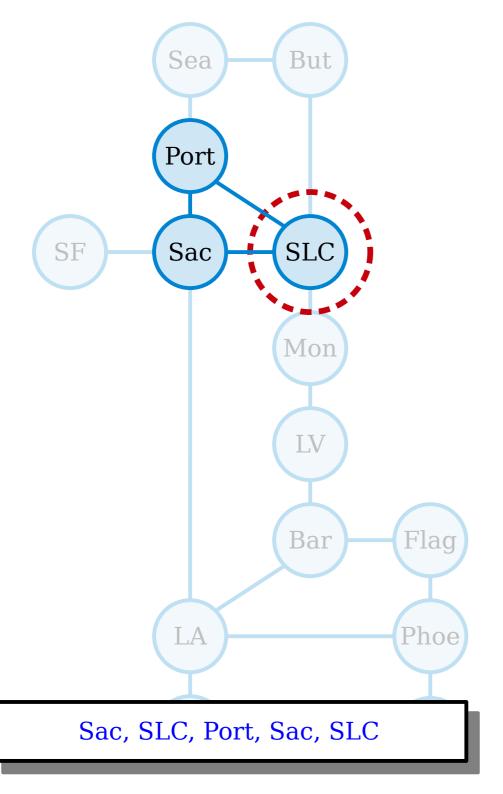
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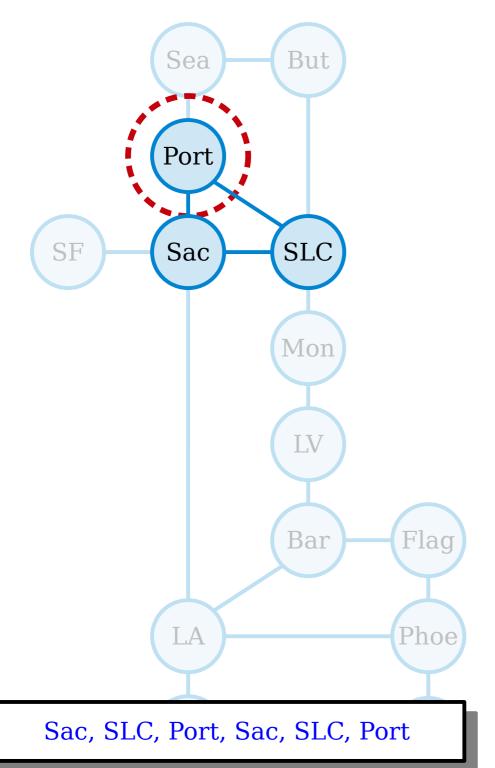
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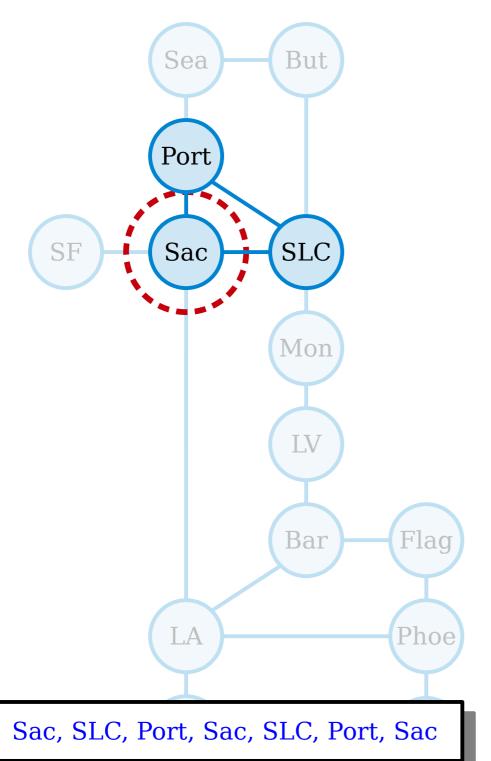
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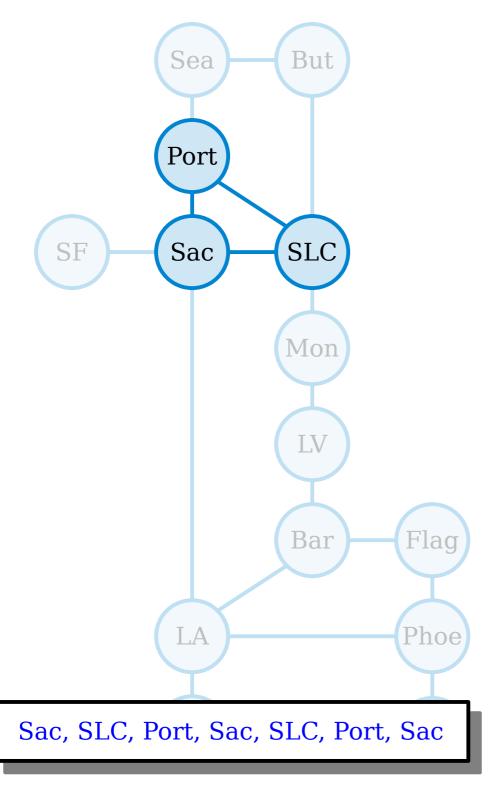
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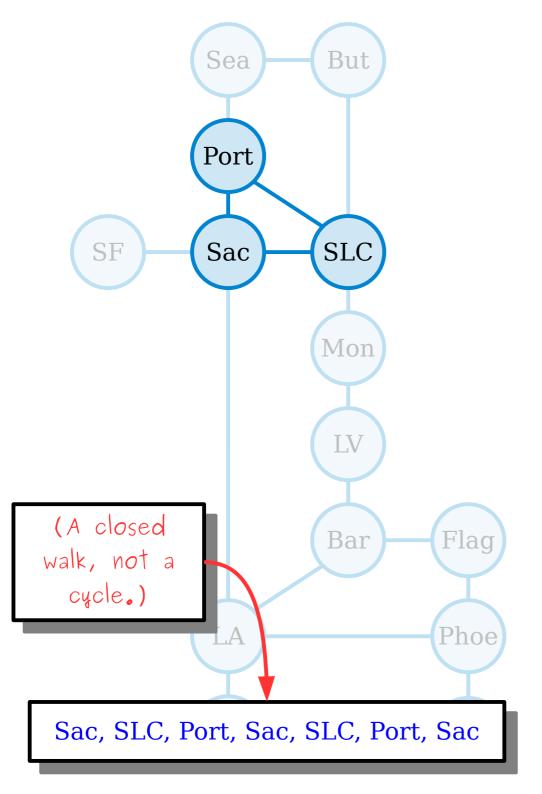
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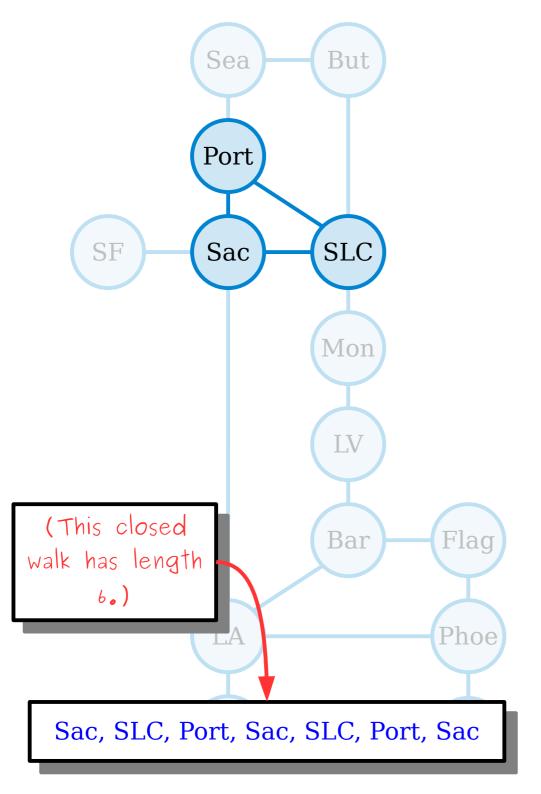
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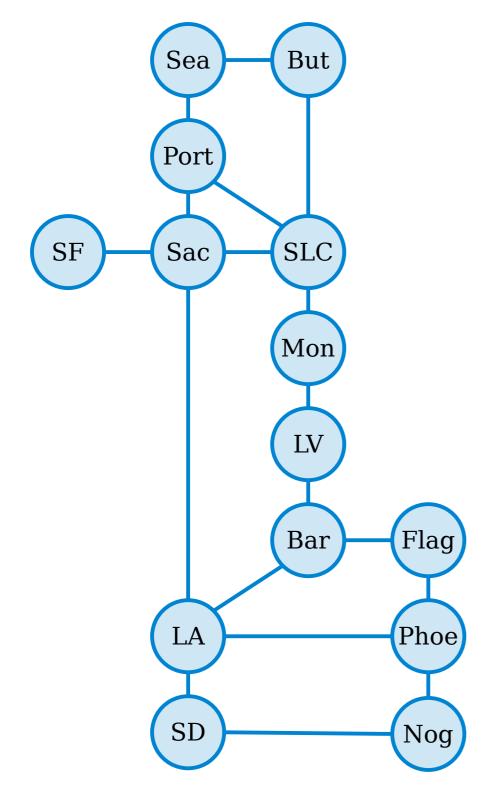
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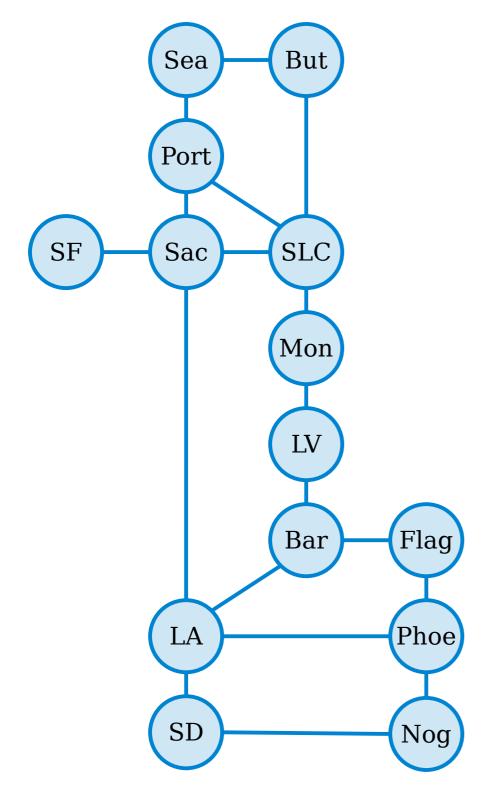
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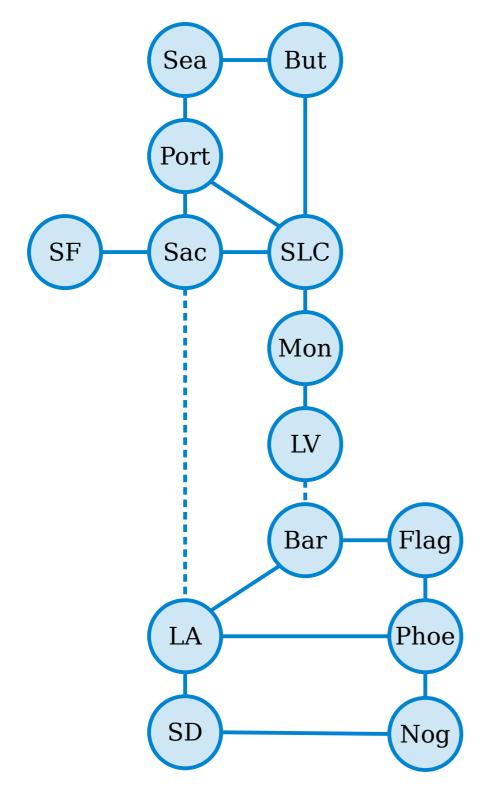


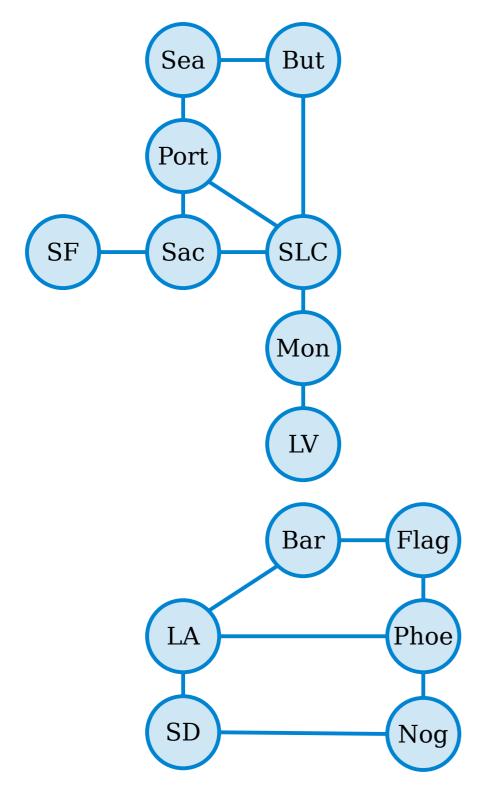
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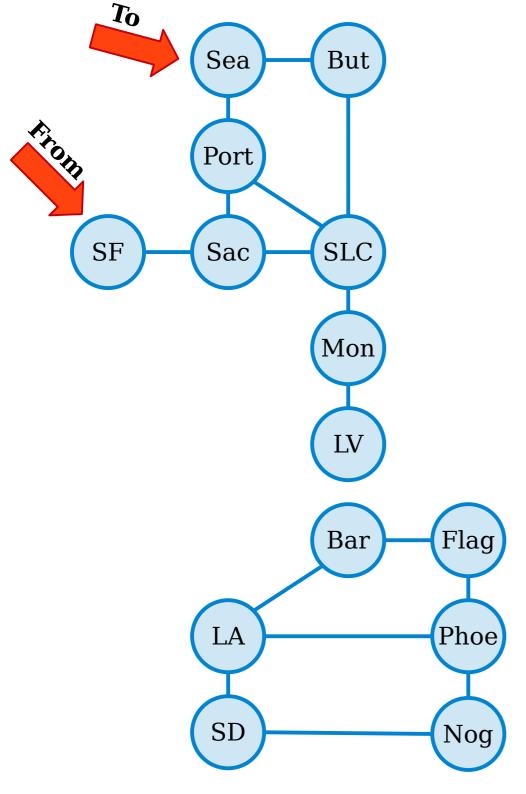
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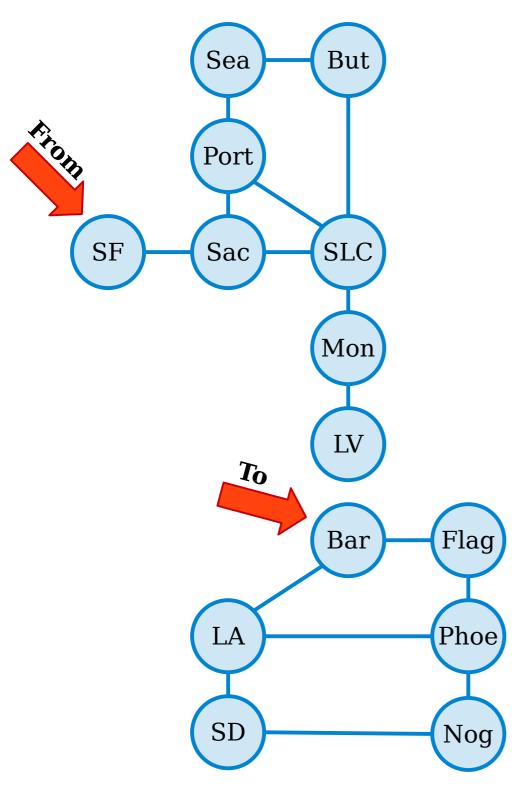
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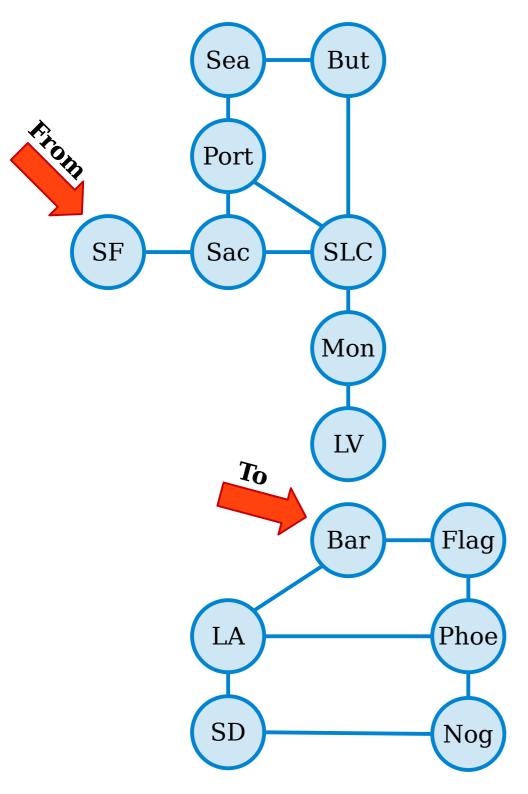






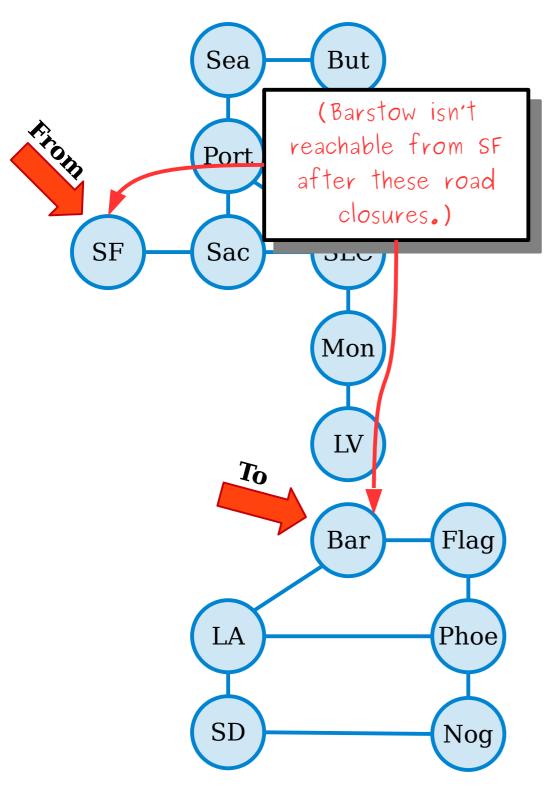






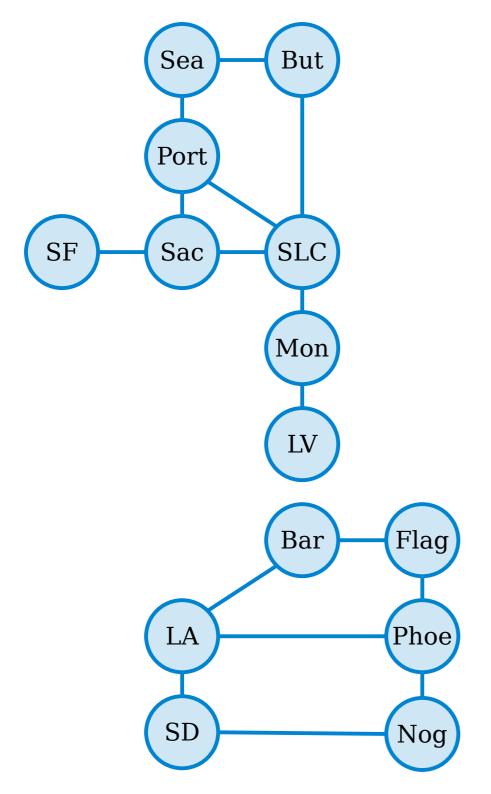
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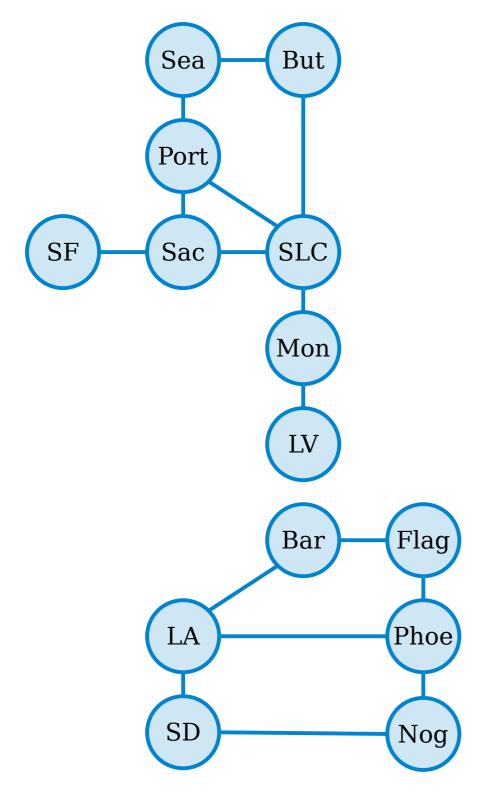
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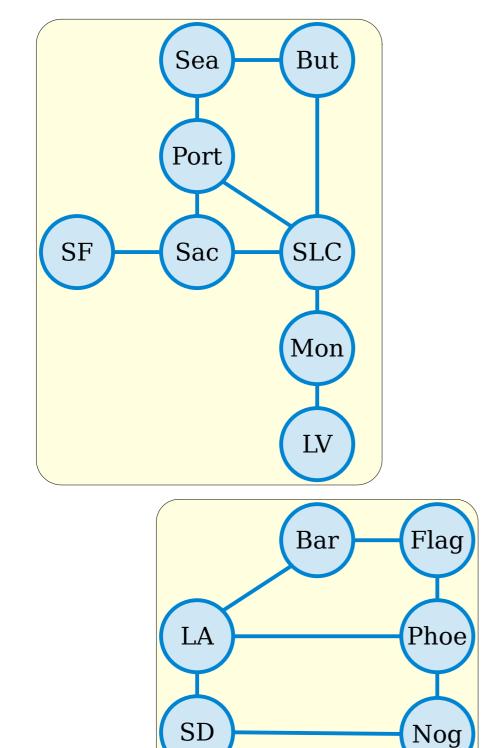


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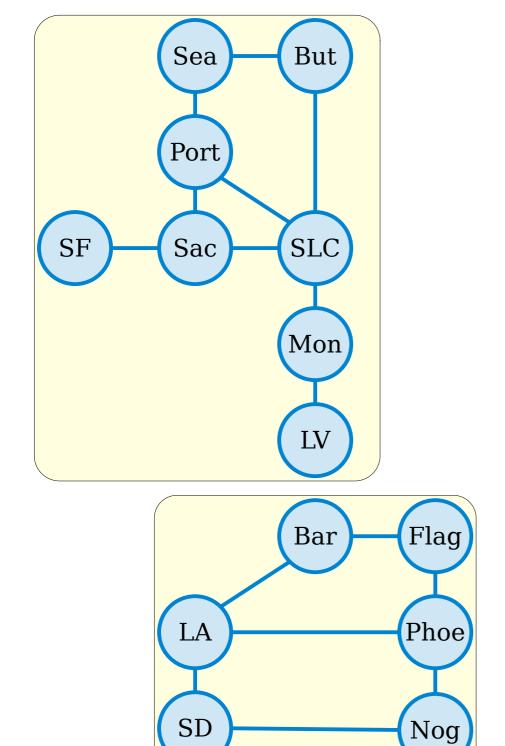
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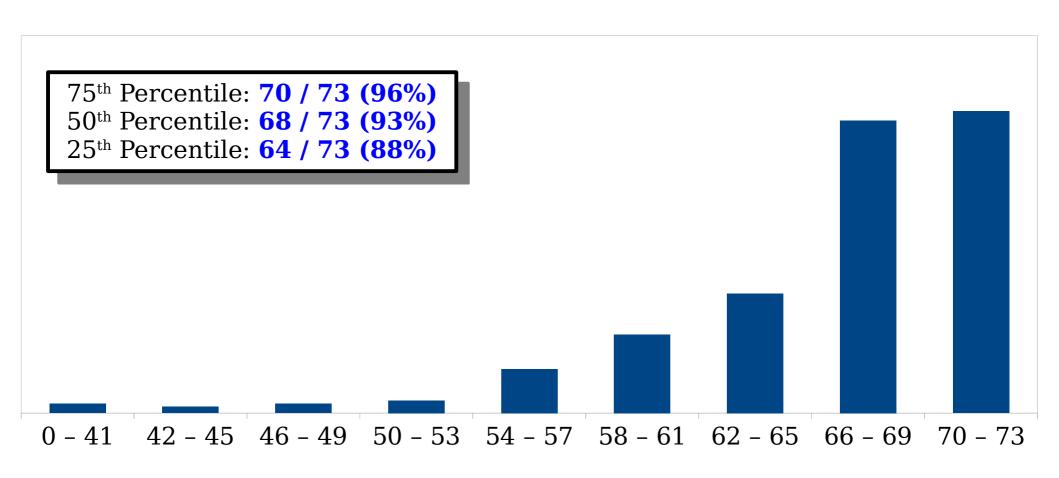
A *connected component* (or *CC*) of *G* is a set consisting of a node and every node reachable from it.

#### Fun Facts

- Here's a collection of useful facts about graphs that you can take as a given.
  - **Theorem:** If G = (V, E) is a (directed or undirected) graph and  $u, v \in V$ , then there is a path from u to v if and only if there's a walk from u to v.
  - **Theorem:** If *G* is an undirected graph and *C* is a cycle in *G*, then *C*'s length is at least three and *C* contains at least three nodes.
  - **Theorem:** If G = (V, E) is an undirected graph, then every node in V belongs to exactly one connected component of G.
- Looking for more practice working with formal definitions?
  Prove these results!

Time-Out for Announcements!

#### Problem Set Two Graded



# Midterm Exam Logistics

- Our first midterm exam is next *Monday, October 21*<sup>st</sup> from 7:00PM 10:00PM.
  - Seat assignments will be available online tonight.
- You're responsible for Lectures 00 05 and topics covered in PS1 PS2. Later lectures (functions forward) and problem sets (PS3 onward) won't be tested here. Exam problems may build on the written or coding components from the problem sets.
- The exam is closed-book, closed-computer, and limited-note. You can bring a double-sided,  $8.5" \times 11"$  sheet of notes with you to the exam, decorated however you'd like.
- Students with alternate exam arrangements: you should hear from us by the end of the day with details. If you don't, contact us ASAP.

### Preparing for the Exam

- We have an extra credit pre-midterm reflection exercise you can use to prepare for the exam. It's linked on Ed.
- Kaia is holding a review session this Friday at 3:00PM, location TBA.
- Make sure to review your feedback on PS1 and PS2.
  - "Make new mistakes."
  - Come talk to us if you have questions!
- There's a huge bank of practice problems up on the course website.
- Best of luck you can do this!

# Participation Opt-Out

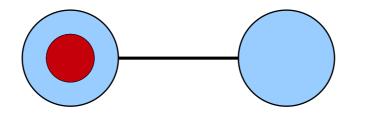
- By default, all on-campus students have 5% of their grade allocated from lecture attendance and participation.
- If you are an on-campus student and want to opt out, shifting that 5% onto your final exam, fill out the opt-out form on Ed by this Friday.

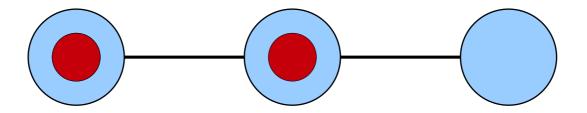
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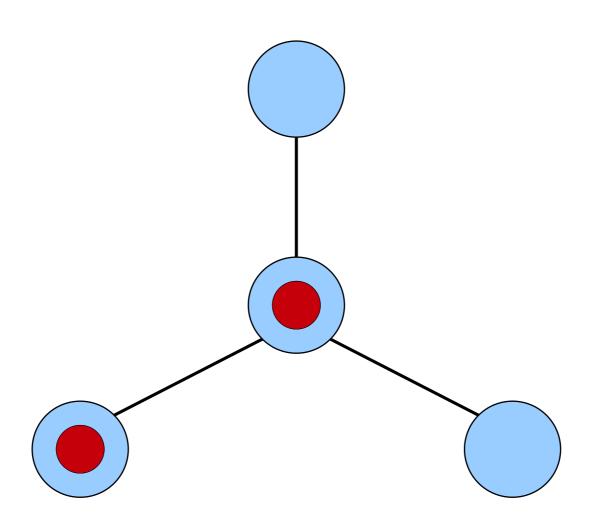
Application: Local Area Networks

## The Internet and LANs

- The internet consists of several separate *local area networks* (*LANs*) that are
   "internetworked" together.
- Local area networks cover small areas a single hallway in a dorm, an office building, a college campus, etc.
- The internet then links those smaller LANs into one giant network where everyone can talk to everyone.
- *Focus for today:* How do messages flow through a LAN?

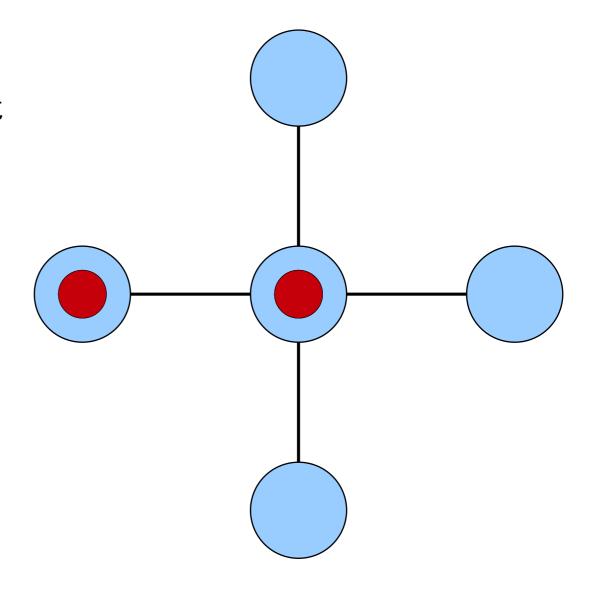


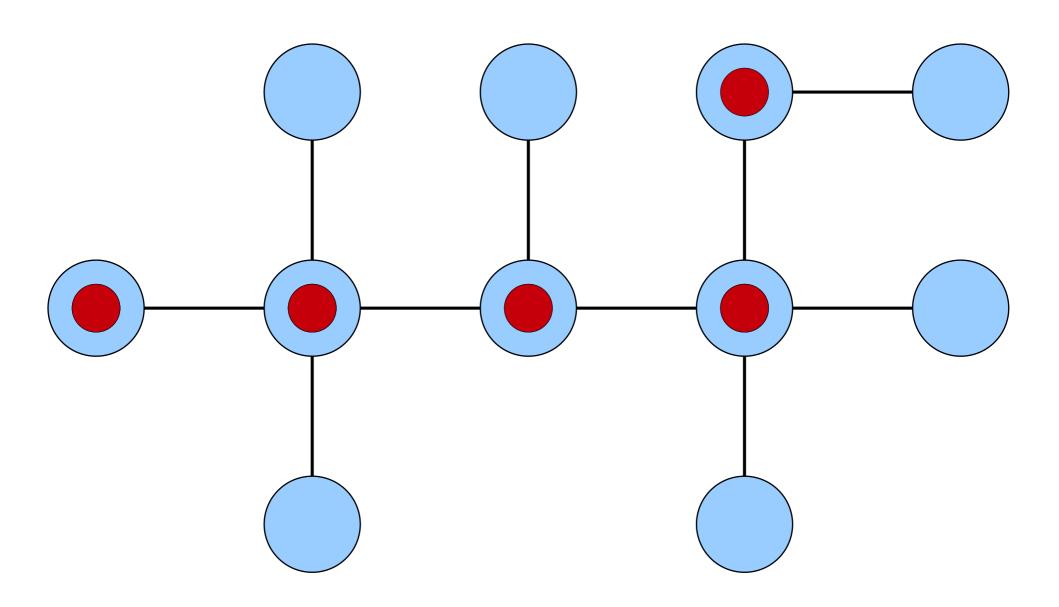




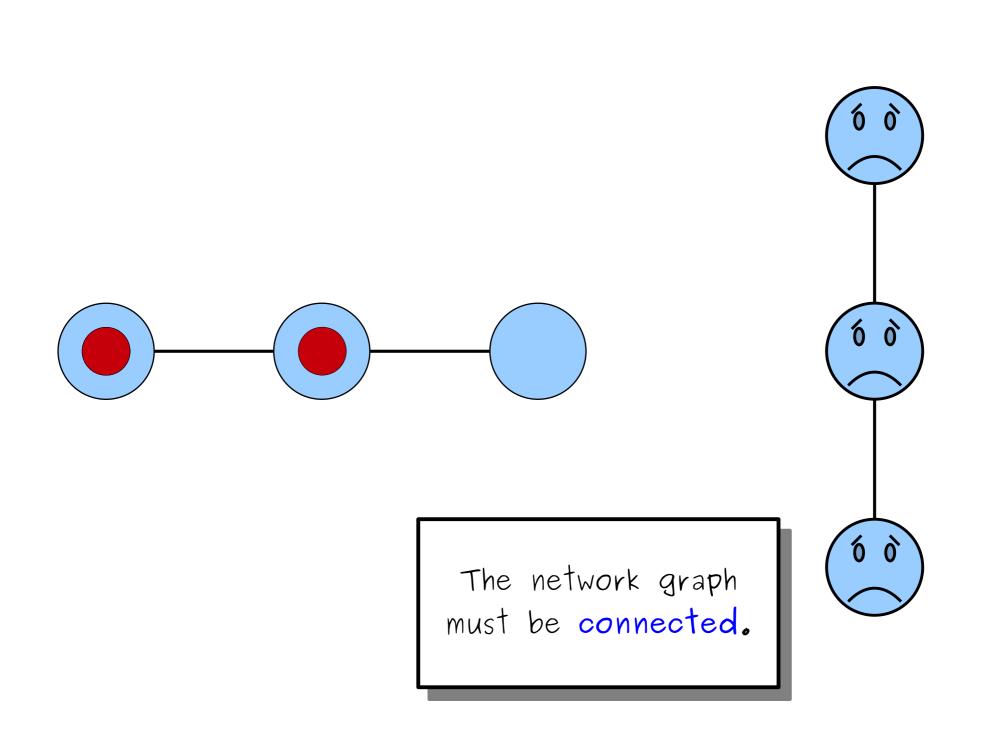
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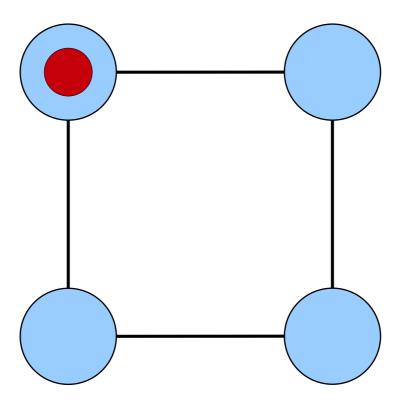
- When a computer receives a message, it repeats that message on all its links except the one it received the message on.
- The computers don't inspect the message contents or try to be clever it's purely "came in on link X, goes out on all links but X."





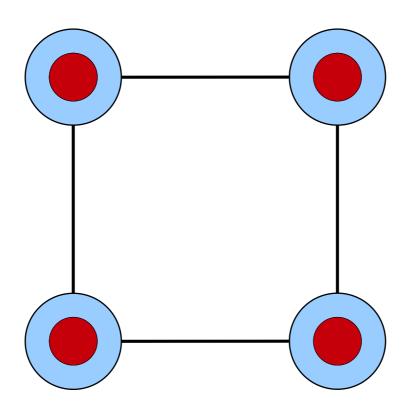


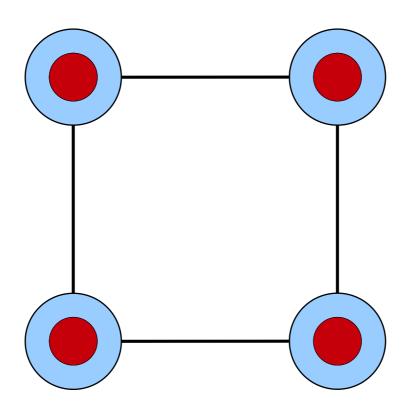


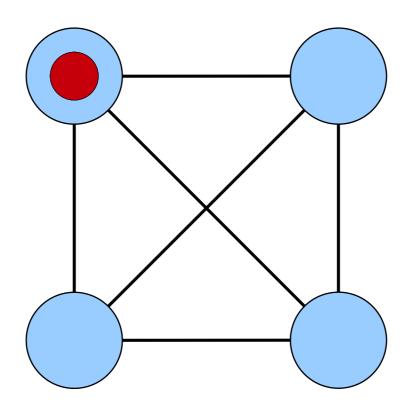


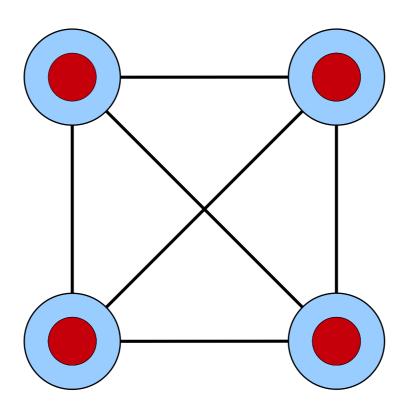
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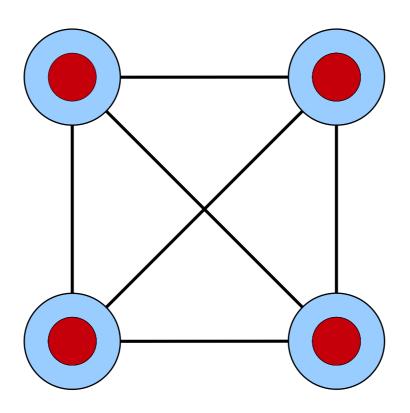
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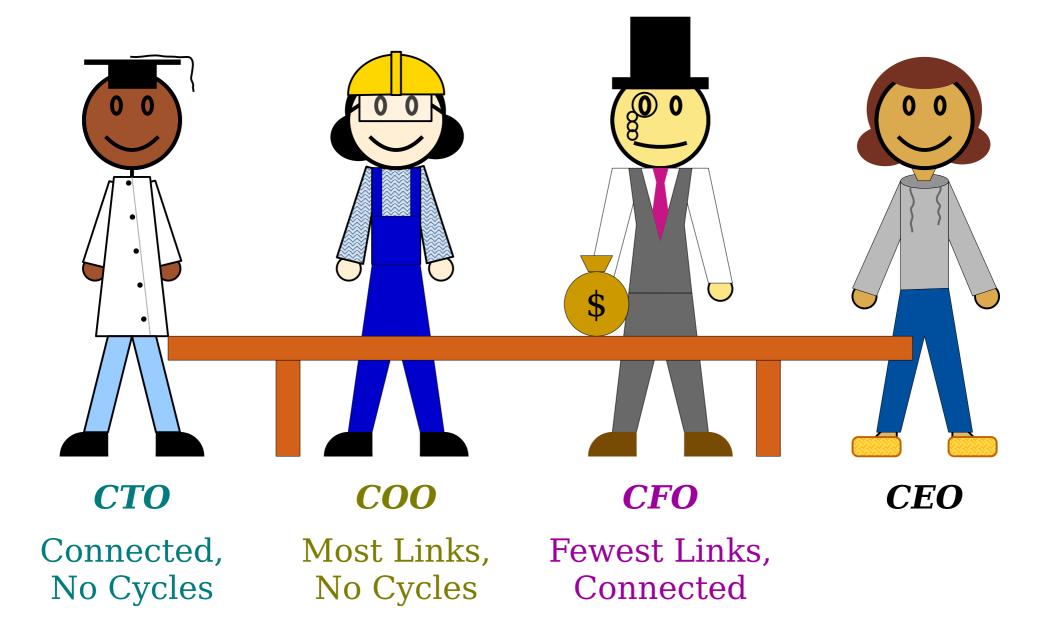


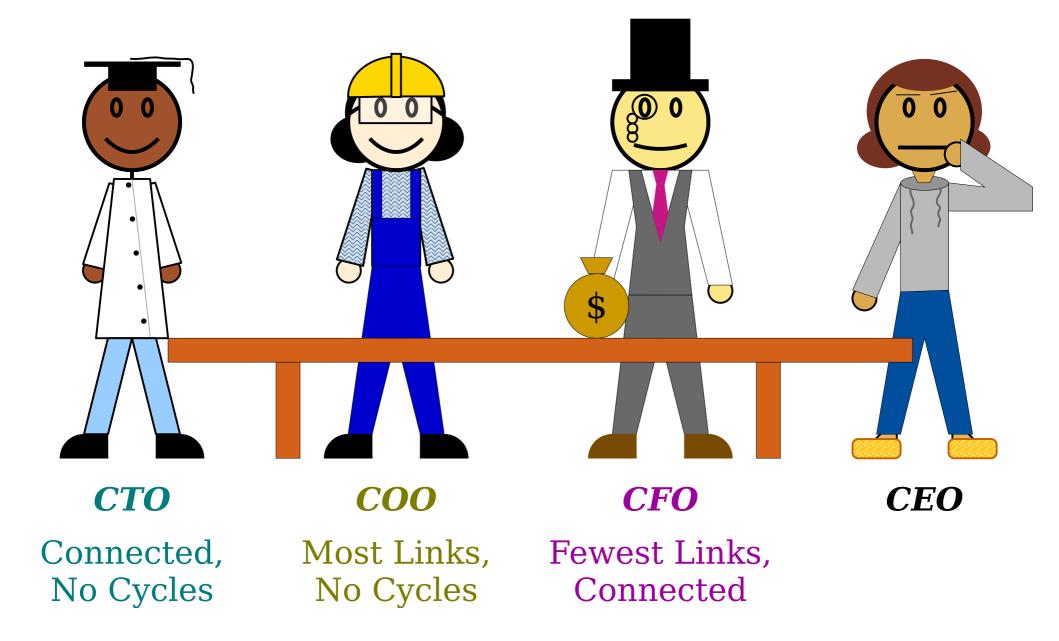


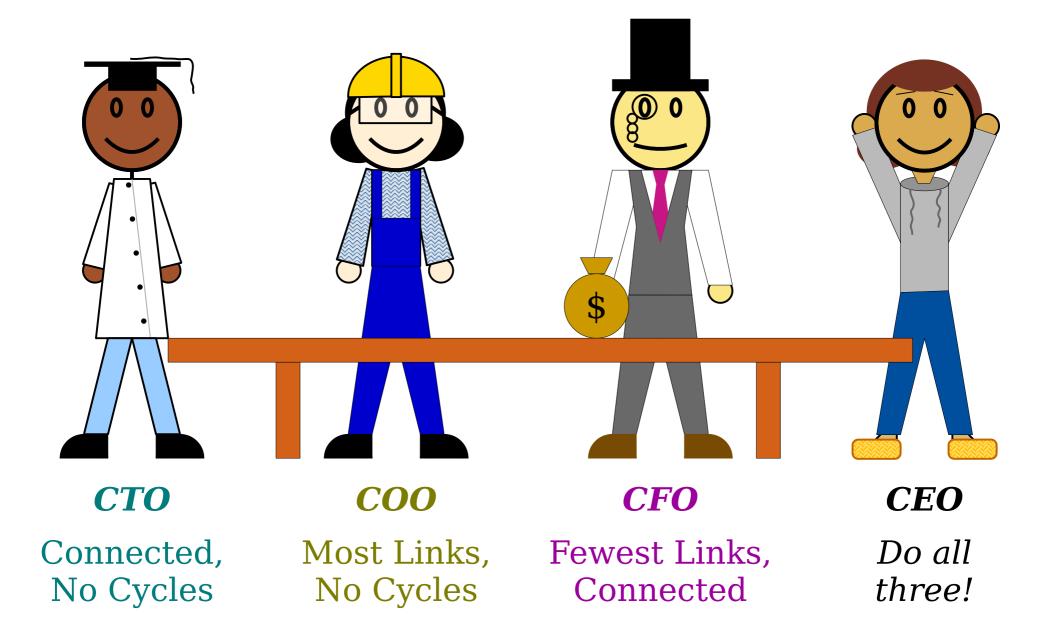
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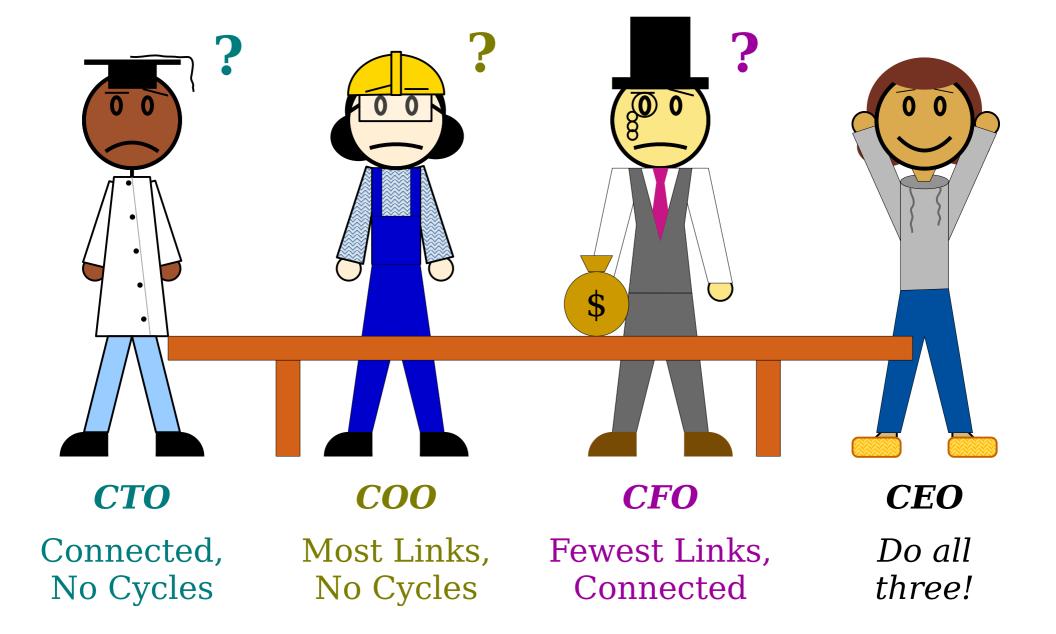
- A **broadcast storm** occurs when there's a cycle in the network graph.
- A single message can repeat forever, or exponentially amplify until the network fails.
- *Solution:* Don't let the network graph have any cycles.
- A graph G = (V, E) is called *acyclic* if it has no cycles.

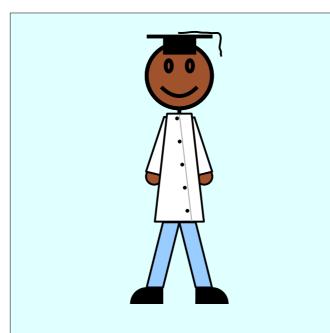
You have a collection of computers that need to be wired up into a LAN. How should you choose the shape of the network?















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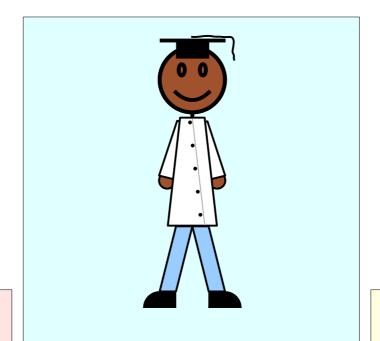
If *any* of these conditions hold, then *all* of these conditions hold.

A graph with any of these properties is called a *tree*.



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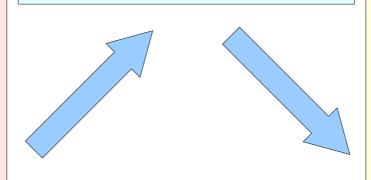
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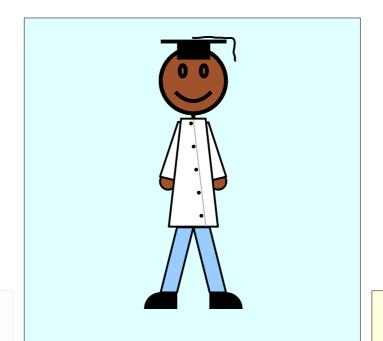


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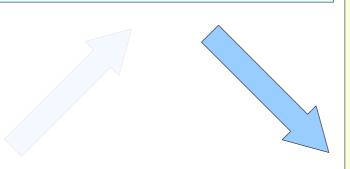




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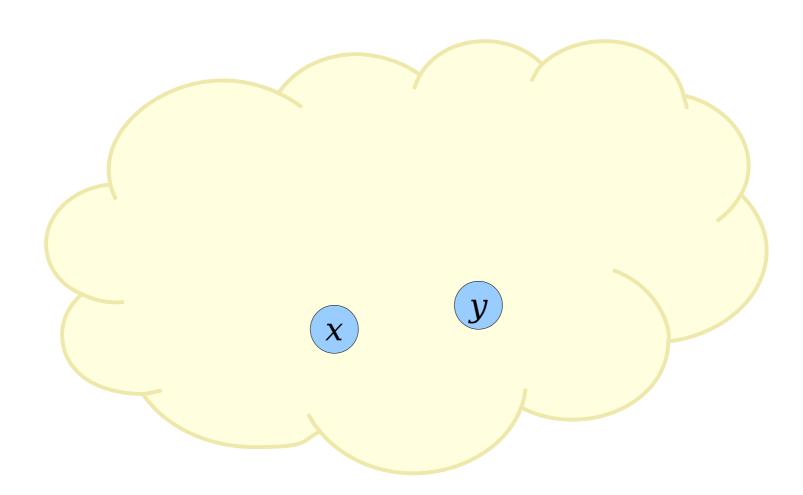
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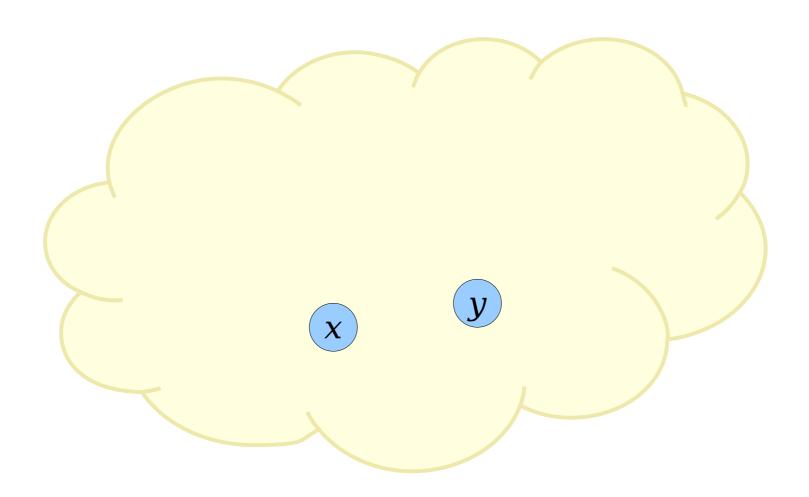
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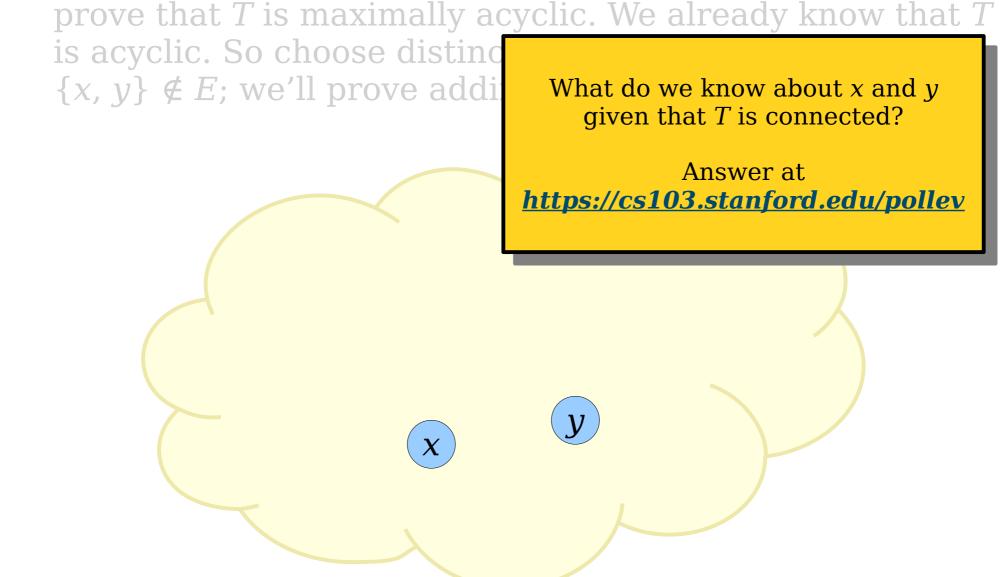
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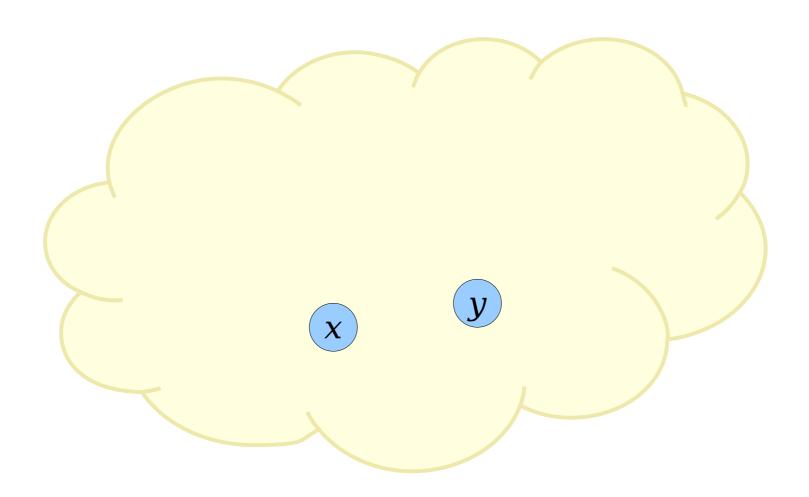
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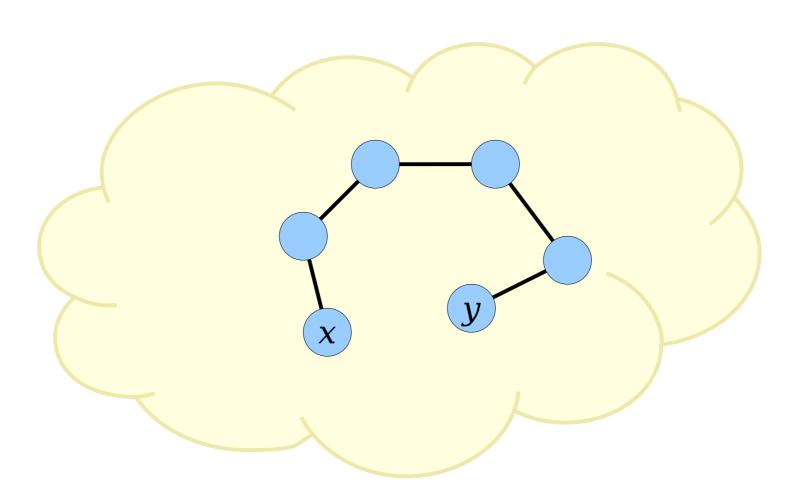


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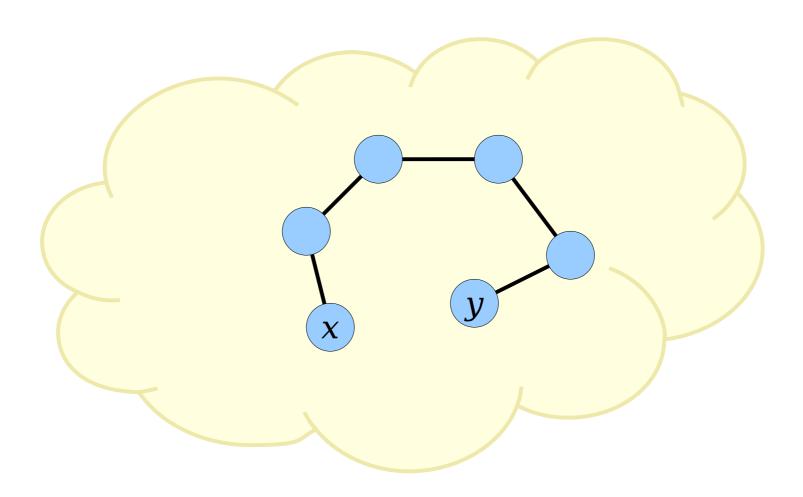
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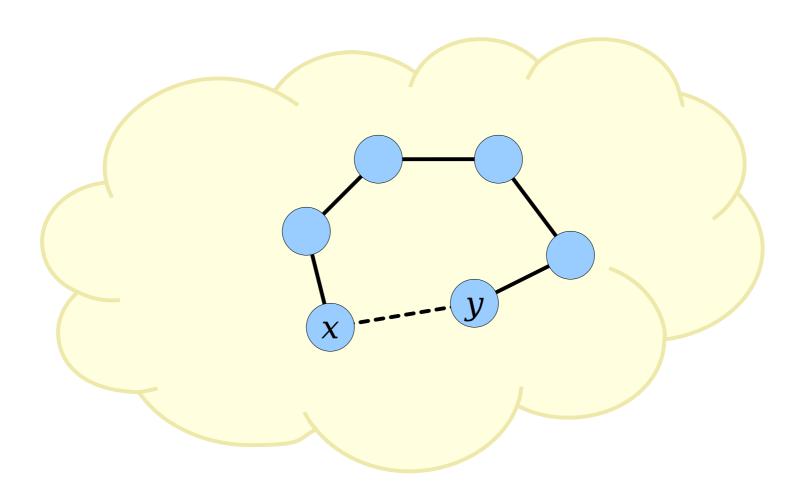
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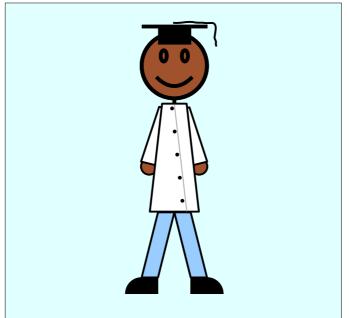
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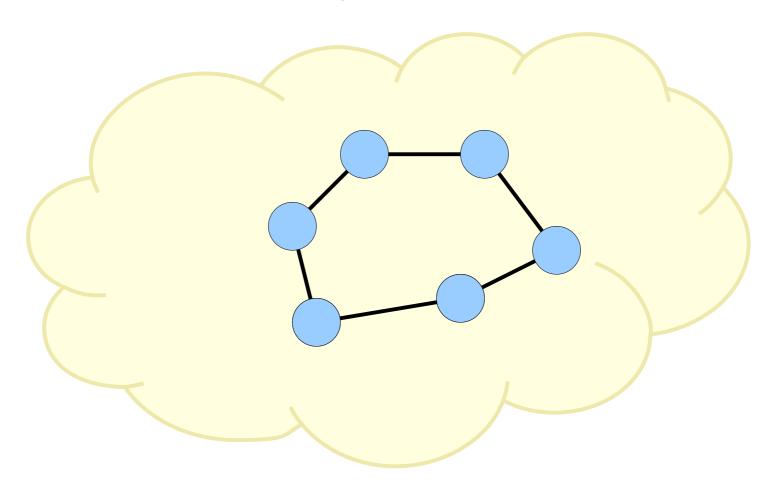
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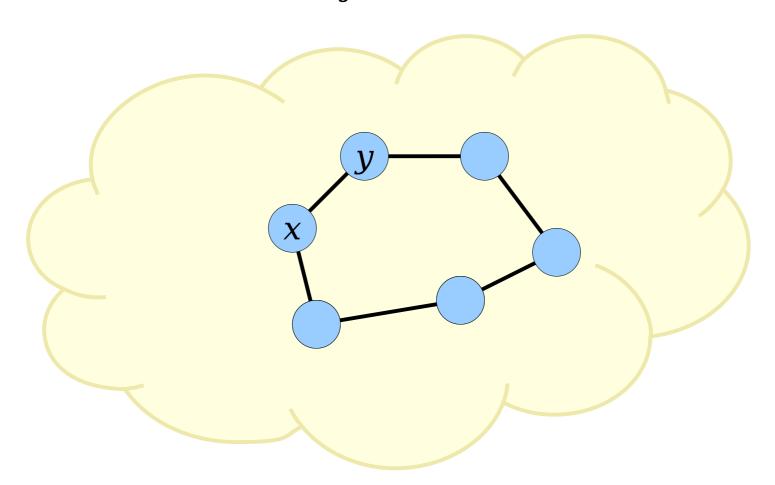
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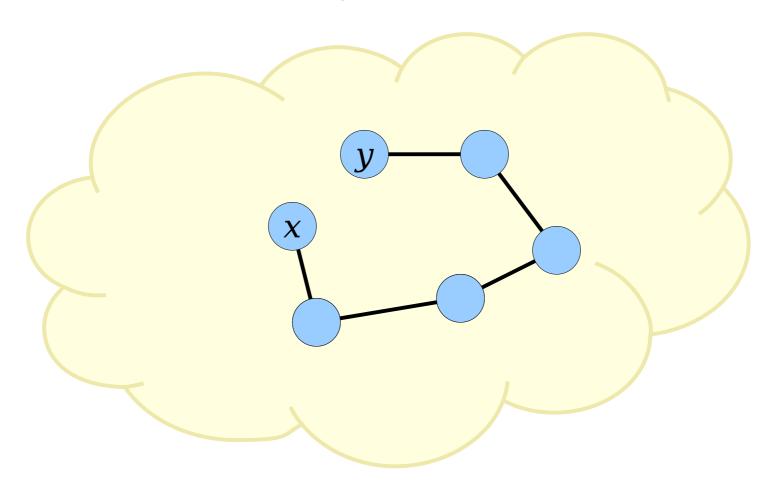
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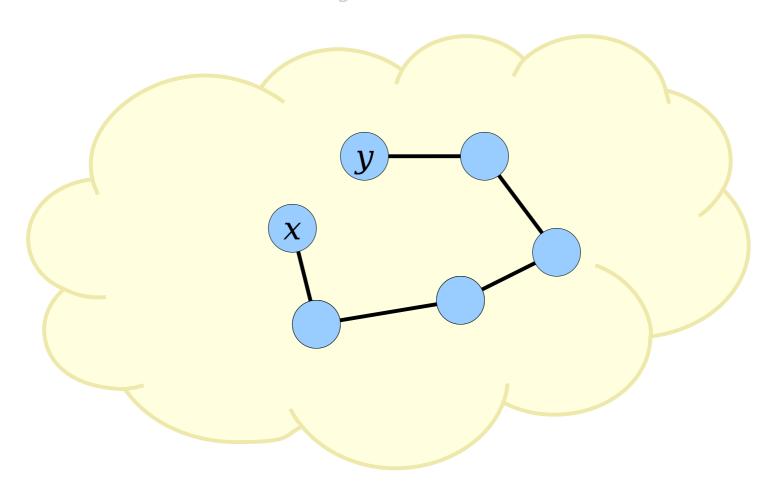
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Check the appendix for the other two steps of the proof.

## More to Explore

- Actual local area networks allow for cycles. They use something called the spanning tree protocol (STP) to selectively disable links to form a tree.
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- Take CS144 (networking) for details!

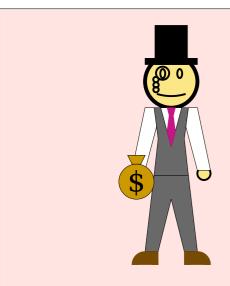
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## Next Time

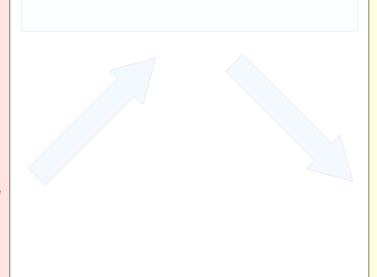
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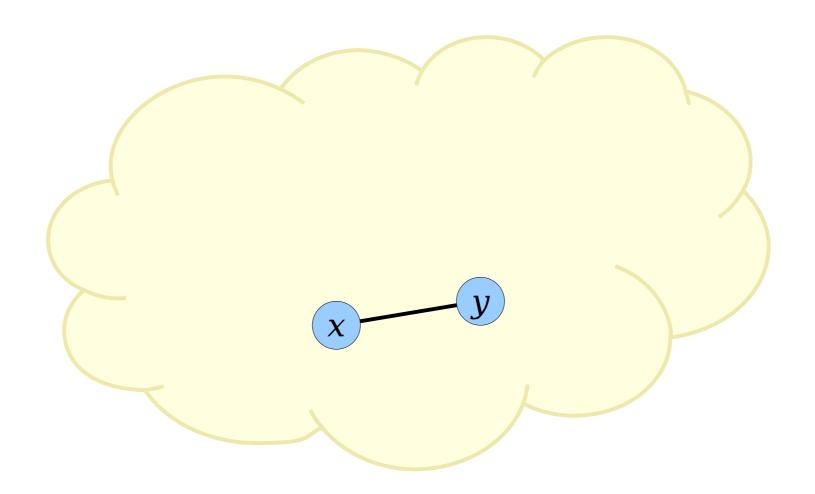
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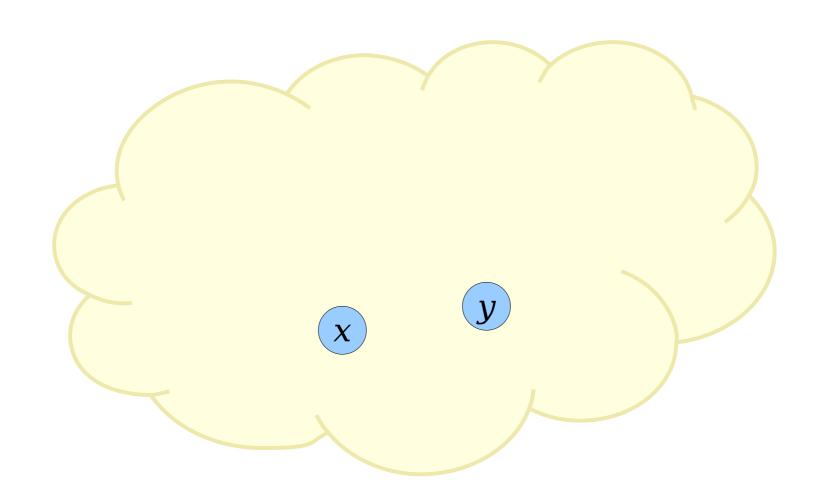
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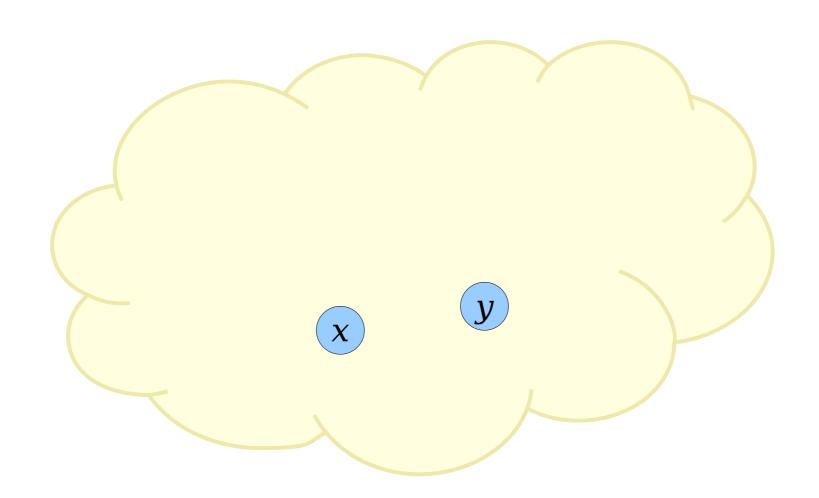
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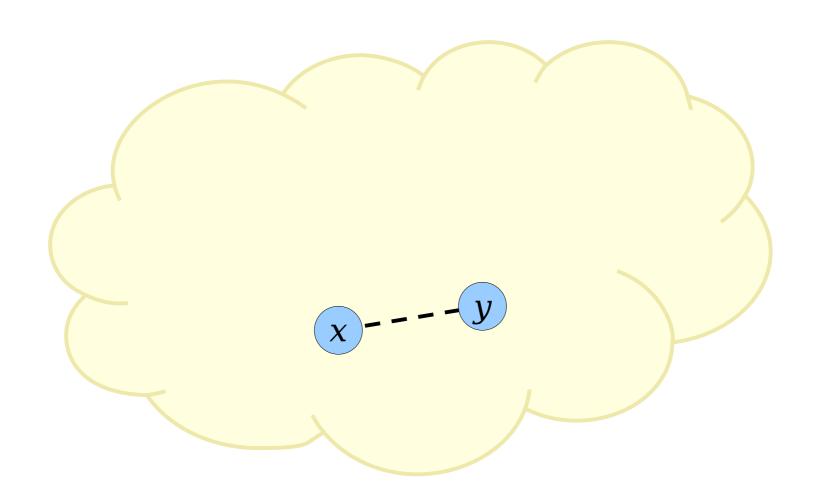
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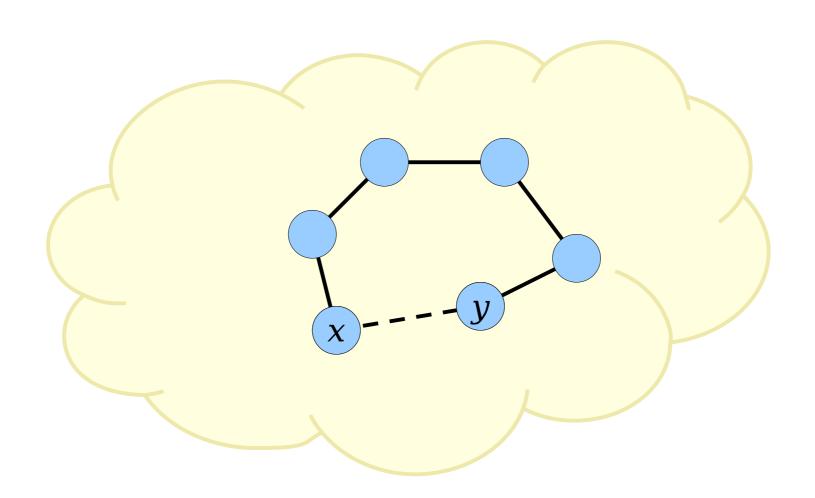
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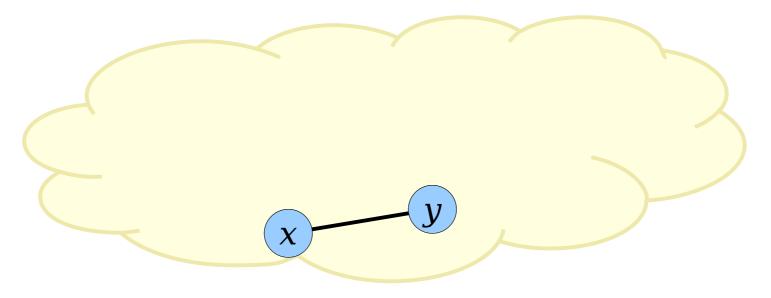
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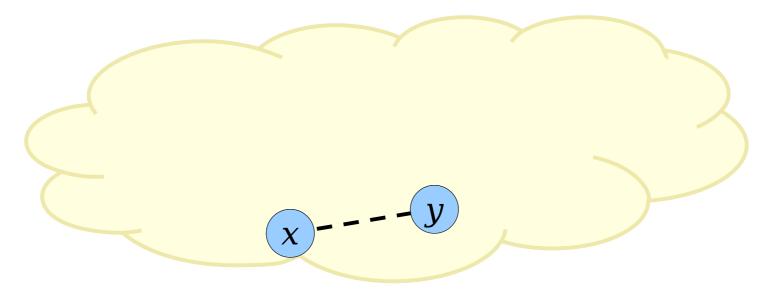
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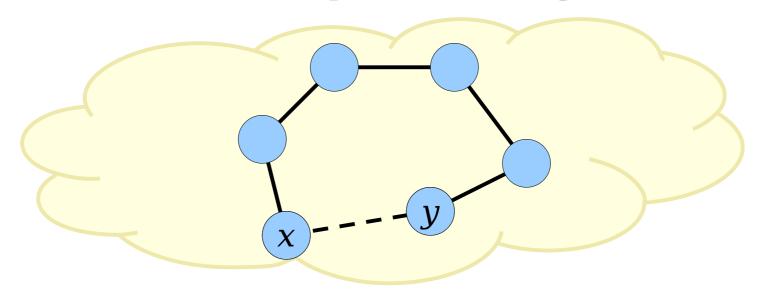
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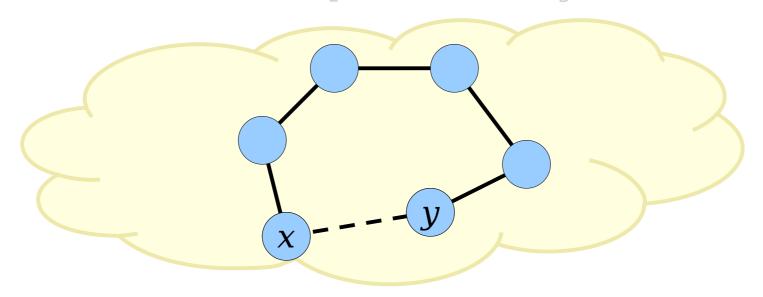
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