

# 1 Graphs (Appx. B.4 from Cormen)

We have two kinds of graphs that we want to discuss, **directed graphs** and **undirected graphs**.

**Definition 1.1.** A directed graph is an order pair  $(V, E)$  of sets such that

$$E \subseteq \{(v, w) : v, w \in V \wedge v \neq w\}.$$

An undirected graph is an ordered pair  $(V, E)$  of sets such that

$$E \subseteq \{\{v, w\} : v, w \in V \wedge v \neq w\}.$$

In either case,

- elements of  $V$  are called vertices,
- elements of  $E$  are called edges.

**Question:**

What is the maximum number of edges we can have in an undirected graph with  $n$  vertices? I.e. let  $|V| = n$ , what is the maximum value  $|E|$  can have?

**Question:**

What about a directed graph with  $n$  vertices?

**Definition 1.2.** The degree of a vertex:

For an undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$  for all  $v \in V$ ,

$$\text{deg}(v) = |\{w : \{v, w\} \in E\}|$$

For a directed graph  $G = (V, E)$  for all  $v \in V$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{indeg}(v) &= |\{w : (w, v) \in E\}| \\ \text{outdeg}(v) &= |\{w : (v, w) \in E\}| \\ \text{deg}(v) &= \text{indeg}(v) + \text{outdeg}(v) \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 1.3.** A path in a graph  $G = (V, E)$  is a sequence  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k \in V$  such that for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k-1\}$ ,

$$(v_i, v_{i+1}) \in E$$

if  $G$  is directed, and

$$\{v_i, v_{i+1}\} \in E$$

if  $G$  is undirected. The length of the path  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  is  $k-1$ , the number of edges.

If no vertices are repeated, we say it is a simple path.

**Definition 1.4.** A cycle in a graph  $G = (V, E)$  is a path  $v_0, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  such that  $v_0 = v_k$ , and the length of this cycle is  $k$ .

If  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_k$  is a simple path, we say  $v_0, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  is a simple cycle.

**Definition 1.5.** A path is Hamiltonian if it includes every vertex exactly once. A cycle is Hamiltonian if it includes every vertex except the starting vertex exactly once.

**Definition 1.6.** A path or cycle is Eulerian if it includes every edge exactly once.

**Definition 1.7.** An undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$  is connected if for all  $x, y \in V$  there is a path in  $G$  from  $x$  to  $y$ .

**Theorem 1.8.** Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a connected undirected graph. If every vertex in  $V$  has even degree then  $G$  has an Eulerian cycle.

*Proof.* What is a proof?

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