

# Directed Graphs

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- **Task:** Introduce a new category of graphs where the edges have directions and loops are allowed
  - **DEF:** A *Directed graph* or *digraph*  $(V, E)$  consists of a finite set  $V$  together with a subset  $E$  of  $V \times V$ . The elements of  $V$  are the vertices of the digraph. Where the elements of  $E$  are the edges of the digraph.
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## Remark

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Recall that when we dissected undirected graphs  $(V, E)$ , the set of the edges  $E$  was a subset of  $V_2$  where  $V_2$  was the set consisting of all subsets in  $V$  with *exactly* two elements. note that  $w, w = w, v \in V_2, \iff v$  not equal to  $w$ , whereas  $(v, w)$  not equal to  $(w, v) \in V \times V$ . The pairs in  $V \times V$  are ordered, also  $(v, v) \in V \times V$  loops are allowed as edges of a digraph, whereas they weren't allowed as edges of an undirected graph.

- **DEF :** let  $(v, w) \in E$  be the edge of the digraph  $(V, E)$ . we say  $v$  is the initial vertex and  $w$  is the terminal vertex of the edge. Furthermore we say that the vertex  $w$  is *adjacent from* the vertex  $v$ , and vertex  $v$  is *adjacent to* the vertex  $w$ , whereas the edge  $(v, w)$  is *incident from* the vertex  $v$  and incident to the vertex  $w$ .

## Examples

Use arrows to indicate the directions of the edges of a digraph.

Just like an undirected graph, a directed graph has an adjacency matrix associated with it.

let  $(V, E)$  be a directed graph, and let vertices in  $V$  be ordered  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$ . The adjacency matrix of  $(V, E)$  is the  $m \times m$  matrix  $(b_{ij})$

## Examples

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The adjacency matrix of an undirected graph always has 0's on the diagonal. Whereas the adjacency matrix of a directed graph could have some 1's on the diagonal due to the presence of loops.

## Directed graphs and binary relations

- **Task** Describe the one to one correspondence between the directed graphs and binary relations on finite sets.
  - let  $V$  be a finite set,
  - **To every relation  $R$  on  $V$ , there corresponds a directed graph**
  - Indeed, set  $E = \{(v, w) \in V \times V \mid vRw\}$ , then  $(V, E)$  is a directed graph
  - **To every directed graph  $(V, E)$ , there is a corresponding relation  $R$  on  $V$**

Indeed we define the notation  $R$  on  $V$  as  $\exists v, w \in V \ vRw \iff (v, w) \in E$  **Moral of the story** We can