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We can embed the undirected graphs as certain garphs directed graphs.

Definition

Suppose that $G = (V, E)$ is a directed graph. If $(v, w) \in E$ and $(w, v) \in E$ we call (v, w) (and (w, v)) and *bidirected edge* (or *undirected edge*). In other words, an edge $(v, w) \in E$ is undirected if (v, w) is also in E .

If every edge of a directed graph is undirected, then we call the graph *undirected*. If some edges are an some are not, we call G a *partially directed graph*.

Notation

Suppose (V, E) is a directed graph. It is common to write $v \rightarrow w$ for

$$(v, w) \in E \text{ and } (w, v) \notin E.$$

It is common to write $a \sim \beta$ if

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Similarly, we write $v \nrightarrow w$ if $(v, w) \notin E$ and $v \nleftarrow w$ if

$$(v, w) \notin E \text{ and } (w, v) \notin E$$

Undirected version

As before, the *undirected version* (or *skeleton*) of G is the *undirected* partially directed graph defined satisfying $u \sim v$ if $u \rightarrow v$ or $u \leftarrow v$.

Subgraphs

Given a graph $G = (V, E)$ and a set $A \subset V$, the *subgraph* of $G = (V, E)$ corresponding to A is the graph denoted G_A defined by $(A, E \cap (A \times A))$.

Completeness

Suppose (V, E) is a partially directed graph. In the context of partially directed graphs, the graph is *complete* if $(u, v) \in E$ or $(v, u) \in E$ for any two vertices u and v . A subset A is *complete* if the subgraph G_A is complete. A complete subset that is maximal (w.r.t. \subseteq) is called a *clique*.

