



**Why**

Often the edges of some graph are associated with a particular cost, perhaps the cost of traversing that edge.

**Definition**

Let  $(V, E)$  be an undirected graph. An *unordered weight function*  $w : E \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is a function mapping undirected edges to real numbers. A *weighted undirected graph* is an ordered pair  $((V, E), w)$  where  $(V, E)$  is an undirected graph and  $w$  is an unordered weight function.

Let  $(V, F)$  be a directed graph. An *ordered weight function* or just *weight function*  $\omega : F \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is a function mapping directed edges to real numbers. A *weighted directed graph* is an ordered pair  $((V, F), \omega)$  where  $(V, E)$  is an undirected graph and  $\omega$  is an ordered weight function.



