

## Graph Terminology

Graph  $G = (V, E)$  where  $V$  is a set of **vertices** and  $E$  is a set of **edges**. An edge is a pair  $(x, y)$  where  $x$  and  $y$  belong to  $V$ . If the pair is ordered the graph is a **directed graph (also called a digraph)** otherwise it is an **undirected graph**. In an undirected graph the pairs  $(x, y)$  and  $(y, x)$  represent the same edge.

In an **undirected graph** vertices  $x$  and  $y$  are **adjacent** iff  $(x, y)$  belongs to  $E$

In a **digraph**  $y$  is **adjacent** to  $x$  iff  $(x, y)$  belongs to  $E$

A **path** in a graph is a sequence of vertices  $v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n$  where  $(v_i, v_{i+1})$  belong to  $E$  for  $0 \leq i < n$

The **length of a path** is the number of edges in the path (one less than the number of vertices)

A **simple path** is a path where all the vertices are distinct

A **cycle in a digraph** is a path with a length of at least 1 where the first and last vertices are the same

An undirected graph is **connected** if there is a path between any 2 vertices

A digraph is **strongly connect** if there is a path between any 2 vertices

A digraph is **weakly connected** if there is a path between any 2 vertices in the underlying undirected graph

A **acyclic digraph** is digraph that has no cycles

An **adjacency matrix** representation for a graph with  $n$  vertices is an  $n \times n$  matrix where each element  $(i, j)$  contain a 1 if  $(i, j)$  is an edge in the graph otherwise it contains a 0.

An **adjacency list** representation of a graph with  $n$  vertices contains  $n$  lists. List  $i$  is a list containing all the vertices that are adjacent to  $i$ .

A **topological sort** (also known as a topological ordering) is an ordering of vertices in a directed acyclic graph such that if there is a path from vertex  $i$  to vertex  $j$  then  $j$  appears after  $i$  in the ordering.