

# networks and graphs lecture 4

## directed graphs

a digraph consists of a set of vertices and arcs. arcs are like edges but with a head and a tail. a digraph you have *in-degree* and *out-degree*, the *in-degree* is the number of arcs connected to the vertex with its head and the *out-degree* is the number of arcs connected to a vertex with its tail.

*the sum of the in-degree equals the sum of the out-degree equals the number of arcs.*

## representing directed graphs

### adjacency matrix

*a digraphs adjacency matrix has the vertices on the columns and on the rows.*

*the matrix is most of the time not symmetric but can be.*

*a digraph is called **strict** if for all  $u, v$  there must only be one or no arc and for  $u, u$  there must not exist an arc(not an arc to itself).*

*the sum of the row of that vertex corresponds to the out-degree, likewise the sum of the column of a vertex corresponds to the in-degree.*

### incidence matrix

an incidence matrix for a digraph has the vertices on the rows and the arcs on the columns. a tail of an arc corresponds to 1 and the head of an arc corresponds to -1.

this matrix is not used very often.

## directed paths and cycles

a **directed walk** works the same as a walk in an undirected graph but can only follow the direction of the arcs.

*a **directed path** is a the same as an directed walk but now only using **distinct(different) vertices**.*

a **directed cycle** is a directed path but having  $u=v$ .

*two vertices are **strongly connected** if there are directed paths from  $u$  to  $v$  and from  $v$  to  $u$ .*

two vertices are **weakly connected** if the underlying undirected graph is connected.

vertex  $V$  is **reachable** if there exists a directed  $(u,v)$ -path.

## orientations

an orientation of a simple graph is a digraph where all edges have been assigned a direction.  $2^m$  orientations exist for a graph with  $m$  edges.

a **strongly connected orientation** exists if and only if the minimum edge cut is more than or equal to 2.

## edge coloring

each edge connected to a single vertex should have different colors. one of the edge coloring problems is to find the minimal number of colors.

### edge chromatic number

the edge chromatic number (Kai prime) is the minimum  $k$  where for which the graph is  $k$ -edge color-able.

the edge chromatic number either equals  $\Delta(G)$  or  $\Delta(G) + 1$

note:  $\Delta(G)$  means the highest degree of the graph

## vertex coloring

each vertex adjacent to each other must have a different color.

a simple graph  $G$  is  $k$ -vertex color-able if all neighbor vertices have different colors.

### chromatic number

the chromatic number ( $\chi$ ) is the minimum  $k$  for the graph to be  $k$ -vertex color-able.

the chromatic number of a graph is equal or less than  $\Delta(G) + 1$ .

the chromatic number for planar graphs is equal to or less than 4.