MTH 461 15. Graphs

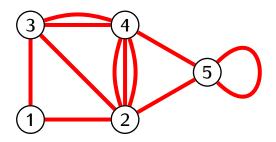
## Recall:

## **Definition**

A *graph* (or a *network*) is a pair G = (V, E) where:

- *V* is the set of *vertices* (or *nodes*);
- *E* is the set of *edges*;
- each edge connects two vertices.

**Note.** We will usually denote vertices of a graph by positive integers: 1, 2, 3, etc.

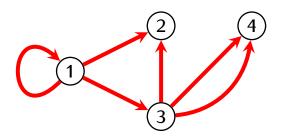


## **Examples:**

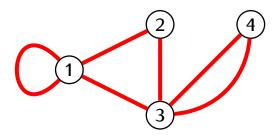
- computer networks
- social networks
- transportation networks
- citation networks
- ecological networks

## Some types of graphs

**Directed graphs.** Every edge has a direction pointing from one vertex to another.



Undirected graphs. Edges do not have a direction.



**Simple graphs.** There is at most one edge between any two vertices and there are no self-edges (i.e. edges that start and end in the same vertex).

