

1 Graphs

Definition. A graph G is a finite nonempty set, $V(G)$, of objects, called vertices, together with a set, $E(G)$, of unordered pairs of distinct vertices. The elements of $E(G)$ are called Edges.

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- $e = u, v \in E(G)$
- we say that u and v are **adjacent** vertices
- e is **incident** with vertices u and v .
- e **joins** u and v
- vertex adjacent to vertex u are called **neighbours** of u . The set of neighbours of u is denoted by $N(u)$

Definition. Two graphs G_1 and G_2 are **isomorphic** if there exist a bijection $f : V(G_1) \rightarrow V(G_2)$ such that $f(u)$ and $f(v)$ are adjacent in G_2 if and only if u and v are adjacent in G_1 . Remember to modify the information above.

Definition. The number of edges incident with a vertex v is called the **degree** of v

Theorem. For any graph G we have

$$\sum_{v \in V(G)} \deg(v) = 2|E(G)|$$

also known as **Handshaking Lemma**

Corollary. The number of vertices of odd degree in a graph is even.

Corollary. The average degree of a vertex in the graph H is

$$\frac{2|E(G)|}{|V(G)|}$$

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A graph in which every vertex has degree k , for some fixed k , is called a **k-regular** graph.

Definition. A **Complete graph** is one in which all pairs of distinct vertices are adjacent. The complete graph with p vertices is denoted by $K_p, p \geq 1$

2 Bipartite

Definition. A graph in which the vertices can be partitioned into two sets A and B , so that all edges join a vertex in A to a vertex in B , is called a **bipartite graph**, with bipartition (A, B)

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The complete bipartite graph $K_{m,n}$ has all vertices in A adjacent to all vertices in B , with $ A = m, B = n$

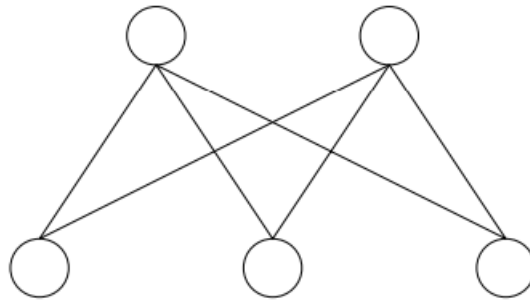


Figure 4.11: The complete bipartite graph $K_{2,3}$

Definition. For $n \geq 0$, the n -cube is the graph whose vertices are the $\{0, 1\}$ strings of length n , and two strings are adjacent if and only if they differ in exactly one position.

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• V of n-cube is 2^n • E of n-cube is $n \times 2^{n-1}$ • n-cube is bipartite • n-cube is connected

3 Characterizing bipartite graph

Lemma. An odd cycle is not bipartite.

Theorem. A graph is bipartite if and only if it has no odd cycles.

4 Walks and Paths

Definition. A **Subgraph** of a graph G is a graph whose vertex set is a subset U of $V(G)$ and whose edge set is a subset of those edges of G that have both vertices in U .

spanning subgraph is graph with all vertices but not all edges.

proper subgraph is graph which is not equal to G .

Theorem. *if there is a walk from vertex x to vertex y in G , then there is a path from x to y*

Corollary. *let x, y, z be vertices of G . If there is a path from x to y in G and a path from y to z , then there is a path from x to z in G .*

5 Cycles

Definition. A **cycle** is a connected graph that is regular of degree 2.

Definition. Alternate **Path**: The subgraph we get from a cycle by deleting one edge is called a path.

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• A cycle with n edges is called an n-cycle or a cycle of length n. • Shortest possible cycle in a graph is a 3-cycle. • A spanning cycle in a graph is known as a Hamilton Cycle.

Theorem. *If every vertex in G has degree at least 2, then G contains a cycle.*

Definition. The **girth** of a graph G is the length of the shortest cycle in G .

Connected

Definition. A graph G is **connected** if, for each two vertices x and y , there is a path from x to y .

Theorem. *Let G be a graph and let v be a vertex in G . If for each vertex w in G there is path from v to w in G , then G is connected.*

Definition. A **Component** of G is a subgraph C of G such that

- C is connected
- No subgraph of G that properly contains C is connected.

6 Cuts

Definition. Given a graph G and $X \subseteq V(G)$, let $\delta_G(X)$ denote the **cut** of X in G , meaning the set of edges of G with one endpoint in X and one endpoint in $V(G) \setminus X$.

Theorem. *A graph G is not connected if and only if there exist a proper subset of $V(G)$ such that the cut induced by X is empty.*

7 Eularian Circuit

Definition. An **Eularian Circuit** of a graph G is a closed walk that contains every edge of G exactly once.

Theorem. Let G be a connected graph, then G has an Eularian Circuit if and only if every vertex has even degree.

Definition. An edge e of G is a **Bridge** if $G - e$ ($G \setminus e$) has more components than G

Lemma. if $e = \{x, y\}$ is a bridge of a connected graph, then $G - e$ ($G \setminus e$) has precisely two components; furthermore x and y are in two different components.

Theorem. An edge e is a bridge of a graph if and only if it is not contained in any cycle of G .

Corollary. If there are two distinct paths from vertex u to vertex v in G , then G contains a cycle.

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If graph G has no cycles, then each pair of vertices is joined by at most one path.

8 Tree

Definition. A **tree** is a connected graph with no cycles.

Definition. A **forest** is a graph with no cycles.

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Every tree is a forest but every forest is not a tree.

Lemma. if u and v are vertices in a tree T , then there is a unique u, v -path in T .

Lemma. Every edge of tree T is a bridge

Theorem. If T is a tree, then

$$|E(T)| = |V(T)| - 1$$

Corollary. If G is a forest with k components, then

$$|E(T)| = |V(T)| - k$$

Definition. A **leaf** in a tree is a vertex of degree 1.

Theorem. A tree with at least two vertices has atleast two leaves.

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- The number of leaves (vertex of degree 1) in a tree is given by

$$n_1 = 2 + \sum_{r \geq 3} (r - 2)n_r$$

where r is the degree of vertex, and n_r is the number of vertex of degree r .

- A tree that contains a vertex of degree r has at least r vertices of degree one.

9 Spanning trees

Definition. A spanning subgraph which is also a tree is called a **spanning tree**.

Theorem. A graph G is connected if and only if it has a spanning tree.

Corollary. If G is connected with p vertices and $q = p - 1$ edges, then G is tree.

Theorem. If T is a spanning tree of G and e is an edge not in T , then $T + e$ contains exactly one cycle C . Moreover if e' is any edge on C , then $T + e - e'$ is also a spanning tree of G .

Theorem. If T is a spanning tree of G and e is an edge in T , then $T - e$ has 2 components. If e' is in cut induced by one of the components, then $T - e + e'$ is also a spanning tree of G .

10 Planar Graphs

Definition. A graph G is **planar** if it has a drawing in the plane so that its edges intersect only at their ends, and so that no two vertices coincide. The actual drawing is called **Planar Embedding** of G .

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- A graph is planar if and only if each of its component is also planar
- A planar embedding partitions the plane into connected regions called faces
- the outer face in the planar embedding is unbounded.
- the subgraph formed by the vertices and edges in a face is called **boundary** of the face.
- Two faces are **adjacent** if they are incident with a common edge
- Boundary Walk

- The number of edges in the boundary walk of face f is called the **degree** of the face f .
- A bridge of a planar embedding is always incident with just one face.
- A bridge of a planar embedding is always contained in the boundary walk twice, one for each side.
- bridge contributes 2 to the degree of the face with which it is incident.
- Every edge of a cycle is incident with exactly two faces, and is contained in the boundary walk of each face precisely once.
- every edge in a tree is a bridge. so the planar embedding of a tree T has a single face/

Theorem. *if we have a planar embedding of a connected graph G with faces $f_1, \dots, f_s$, then*

$$\sum_{i=1}^s \deg(f_i) = 2|E(G)|$$

*Also known as **Face Shaking Lemma***

Corollary. *If the connected graph G has a planar embedding with f faces, the average degree of a face in the embedding is $\frac{2|E(G)|}{f}$*

10.1 Euler's Formula

Theorem. *Let G be a connected graph with p vertices and q edges. If G has a planar embedding with f faces, then*

$$p - q + f = 2$$

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For a given planar graph, the number of faces is always the same, regardless of how you draw it.

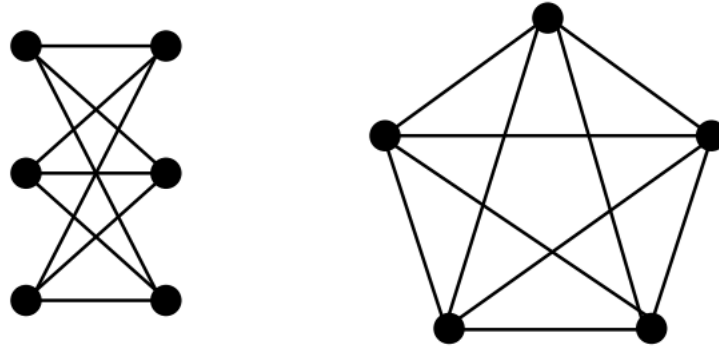
10.2 Nonplanar Graphs

Lemma. *If G contains a cycle, then in a planar embedding of G , the boundary of each face contains a cycle*

Lemma. *Let G be a planar embedding with p vertices and q edges. If each face of G has degree at least d^* , then $(d^* - 2)q \leq d^* (p - 2)$*

Theorem. *In a planar graph G with $p \geq 3$ vertices and q edges, we have*

$$q \leq 3p - 6$$

Figure 1: $K_{3,3}$ and K_5

Corollary. K_5 is not planar

Corollary. A planar graph has a vertex of degree at most five.

this only means atleast one vertex has degree less than equal to 5

Theorem. In a bipartite planar graph G with $p \geq 3$ vertices and q edges, we have

$$q \leq 2p - 4$$

Lemma. $K_{3,3}$ is not planar.

10.3 Kuratowski's Theorem

Definition. An **Edge subdivision** of a graph G , is obtained by applying the following operation, independently, to each edge of G . replace the edge by a path of length 1 or more, if the path has length $m > 1$, then there are $m - 1$ new vertices, and $m - 1$ new edges created, if the path has length $m = 1$, then the edge is unchanged.

Theorem. A graph is not planar if and only if it has a subgraph that is an edge subdivision of K_5 or $K_{3,3}$

11 Colouring and Planar Graph

Definition. A k -colouring of a graph G , is a function from $V(G)$ to a set of size k (whose elements are called colours), so that adjacent vertices always have different colours. A graph with a k -colouring is called **k -colourable** graph

Theorem. A graph is 2-colourable if and only if it is bipartite.

Theorem. K_n is n -colourable, and not k -colourable for any $k < n$

Theorem. Every planar graph is 4,5,6-colourable. **Read Proof**