

Graph Theory Facts and Propositions

General:

1. Handshake Theorem: $\sum_{v \in V(G)} \deg(v) = 2|E|$
2. Proposition: Every graph with ≥ 2 vertices has **two vertices** of the **same degree**.
3. Proposition: the n -cube has 2^n vertices and $n2^{n-1}$ edges
4. Theorem: if there is a walk from vertex x to vertex y in G then there is a path from x to y in G .
5. Corollary: if there is a path from x to y in G and a path from y to z in G then there is a path from x to z in G .
6. Theorem: let G be a graph and let v be a vertex in G . If for each w in G there is a path from v to w , then G is connected. *For any vertex, you can get to any other vertex.*
7. Theorem: a graph G is **not connected** iff there exists a proper subset of x of $V(G)$ such that the **cut** induced by x is empty.
8. Proposition: if every vertex has degree ≥ 2 then G **has a cycle**.
9. Theorem (Dirac): if G is a graph on $n > 3$ vertices where every vertex has degree $\geq \frac{n}{2}$, then G has a cycle containing every vertex. G is a **Hamiltonian Graph**.
10. Theorem (Chvatal '72): if G is a graph on n vertices with degree $d_1 \leq d_2 \leq d_3 \dots \leq d_n$ then if $d_i \geq i$ or $d_{n-i} \geq n - i$ for all $i \leq \frac{n}{2}$, then G is Hamiltonian.
11. Theorem (Tutte): Every **4-connected** planar graph is **Hamiltonian**.
12. Theorem: Every connected graph in which every vertex has even degree is *Eulerian*. An Eulerian graph has an Euler tour, which is a closed walk that contains every edge once.
13. Lemma: if $e = \{x, y\}$ is a bridge of a connected graph G , then $G - e$ has precisely two components. Furthermore, x and y are in different components.
14. Theorem: An edge is a bridge of a graph G iff it is **not contained in a cycle of G** .
15. Corollary: If there are two distinct paths from u to v in G then G contains a cycle.
16. Lemma: There is a unique path between every pair of vertices u and v in a tree.
17. Lemma: **Every edge** of a tree T is a **bridge**.
18. Theorem: A tree with **at least 2 vertices** has at least two vertices of **degree 1**.
19. Theorem: if T is a tree, then $|E(T)| = |V(T)| - 1$.
20. Proposition: If x, y are vertices of a tree T , then there is a unique path of T from x to y .

21. Proposition: A graph G has a **spanning tree** iff it is **connected**.
22. Corollary: Every connected graph on n vertices has $\geq n - 1$ edges.
23. Corollary: Every **connected** graph on n vertices, $n-1$ edges **is a tree**.
24. Proposition: Every tree is **bipartite**.
25. Proposition: If G is a bipartite graph and $u, v \in V(G)$ then if u and v are in the **same part** of a bipartition, then every walk from u to v has **even length**. If u, v are in **different parts**, then every walk from u to v has **odd length**.
26. Proposition: If G is a graph with no **odd cycles**, then **G is bipartite**.
27. Theorem: Prim's algorithm outputs a min-weight spanning tree.
28. Proposition: A graph is planar iff it has a spherical embedding.
29. Theorem: If a connected planar embedding has faces f_1, f_2, \dots then $\sum_{i=1} \deg(f_i) = 2|E(G)|$
30. Corollary: If the connected graph G has a planar embedding with f faces, then average degree of a face is $\frac{2|E(G)|}{f}$.
31. Theorem (Euler): let G be a connected graph with $|V|$ vertices and $|E|$ edges. If G has a planar embedding with $|F|$ faces, then $|V| - |E| + |F| = 2$.
32. Theorem: There are exactly **five non-isomorphic, planar dual, platonic solids**:
 1. Tetrahedron:
 1. 4 faces
 2. 4 vertices
 3. 6 edges
 2. Cube:
 1. 6 faces
 2. 8 vertices
 3. 12 edges
 3. Octahedron:
 1. 8 faces
 2. 6 vertices
 3. 12 edges
 4. Icosahedron:
 1. 20 faces
 2. 12 vertices
 3. 30 edges
 5. Do-decahedron:
 1. 12 faces
 2. 20 vertices
 3. 30 edges
33. Lemma: Let G be a planar embedding with $|V|$ vertices, $|E|$ edges and $|F|$ faces. Then $\{d, k\}$ is one of the five pairs of faces and vertices: $\{3, 3\}$, $\{3, 4\}$, $\{4, 3\}$, $\{5, 3\}$, $\{3, 5\}$

34. Lemma: If G is **connected** and **not a tree** then in a planar embedding of G , the boundary of each face contains a **cycle**.
35. Lemma: Let G be a planar embedding with $|V|$ vertices and $|E|$ edges. If each face has degree at least d , then $(d-2)|E| \leq d(|V|-2)$.
36. Corollary: In any planar embedding of a graph with **at least 2 edges**, **each face** has degree ≥ 3 .
37. Lemma: In any planar embedding of a graph with ≥ 1 **cycle**, the **boundary** of every face **contains a cycle**.
38. Lemma (Test 1): If $G = (V, E)$ is a planar graph and $|E| \geq 2$, then $|E| \leq 3|V|-6$.
39. Corollary: K_5 is non-planar $|V| = 5$, $|E| = 10$.
40. Corollary: A **planar graph** has a *vertex of degree at most 5*.
41. Lemma (Test 2): If $G = (V, E)$ is a planar graph and every cycle has length $\geq g$, where g is the **girth**, the length of the smallest cycle, and $|E| \geq \frac{1}{2}g$, then $|E| \leq \frac{g}{g-2}(|V| - 2)$.
42. Corollary: $K_{3,3}$ is non-planar because it has no triangles, so $g = 4$ and it fails Test 2.
43. Kuratowski's Theorem: A graph is planar **iff** it has **no subdivision** of $K_{3,3}$ or K_5 as a **subgraph**.
44. Theorem: A graph is **2-colourable** iff it is **bipartite**.
45. Theorem: K_n is n -colourable and not k -colourable for $k < n$.
46. Five-Colour-Theorem: **Every** planar graph is **5-colourable**.
47. Theorem: **Every** planar graph is **4-colourable**.
48. Lemma: M is **not a maximum matching** iff there exists an **M-augmenting path**.
49. Lemma: If M is a **matching** of G and C is a **cover** of G then $|M| \leq |C|$.
50. Lemma: If M is matching and C is a cover and $|M| = |C|$ then M is a maximum matching and C is a minimum cover.
51. Theorem (Konig's Theorem): If G is **bipartite**, then the size of the **maximum matching** is **equal** to the size of the **minimum cover**.
52. Lemma: Let G be a **bipartite** graph with bipartition A, B where $|A| = |B| = n$. If G has $|E|$ edges then **G has a matching of at least size $\frac{|E|}{n}$** .
53. Theorem (Hall's): An (A, B) -bigraph G has a matching that **saturates** A iff for **every subset** S of A , $|S| \leq |N(S)|$.
54. Corollary: An (A, B) bigraph G has a **perfect matching** iff $|A|=|B|$ and for S is a subset of A , $|S| \leq |N(S)|$.
55. Proposition: If $k \geq 1$ and G is a **k -regular, bipartite** graph, then G has a **perfect matching**.
56. Corollary: If G is a **k -regular, bipartite** graph, then $E(G)$ has a partition into **k perfect matches** of G .
57. Corollary: Following from right above, **every k -regular, bipartite** graph is **k -edge colourable**.