

2301 COL 202 Tutorial 10.3

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QUESTION 1

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QUESTION 2

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COL 202 Assignment 10

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1 Problem Statement 1

If G is any simple graph, then a graph isomorphism from G to the same graph G is called a graph automorphism. As a simple example, the identity function $\text{id}: V(G) \rightarrow V(G)$ is always a graph automorphism.

(a) If D is the Durer graph pictured in Figure below, briefly describe a graph automorphism of D that is not the identity function.

(b) Define a relation R on $V(G)$ by declaring that vRw precisely when there exists a graph automorphism f of G with $f(v) = w$. In the special case of the Durer graph, prove that $1 R 10$.

(c) In the Durer graph, prove that NOT $1 R 4$.

(d) Prove carefully that for any simple graph G (not necessarily the Durer graph), the relation R defined above is an equivalence relation.

e) Because R is an equivalence relation, it partitions the vertices into equivalence classes. What are these equivalence classes for the Durer graph? How do you know?

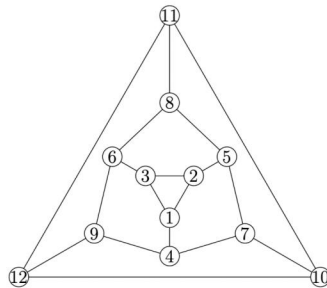


Figure 1: An image of a galaxy

2 Solution Problem 1

2.1 Part a

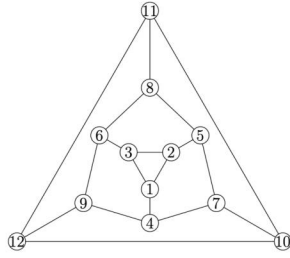


Figure 2: Original Graph

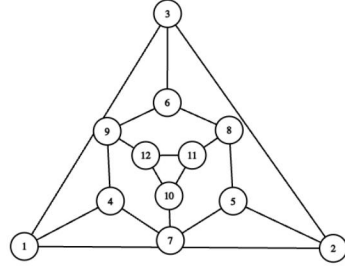


Figure 3: Isomorphic Image

Referring to the above image, we have given a automorphism of the graph which is not identity. Rigorously defining the automorphism is as

$$f(1) = 10, f(2) = 11, f(3) = 12$$

$$f(12) = 1, f(11) = 3, f(10) = 2$$

$$f(8) = 6, f(9) = 4, f(7) = 5, f(6) = 9, f(4) = 7, f(5) = 8$$

2.2 Part b

Using the example defined in part a, we can see that $1 R 10$.

2.3 Part c

If possible assume that $1 R 4$. The properties are preserved under isomorphism, we can see that 1 is a part of 3 length cycle (1-2-3-1). Whereas we can manually check that 4 is not part of any cycle of length ≤ 3 .

Proving this rigorously, we can see that the 2^{nd} neighbours (neighbours of neighbours) of 4 are 6,12,4,5,10,2 and 3. If 4 was a part of 3 length cycle, he would be a neighbour of any of these "neighbours of neighbours", which isn't the case. Hence NOT($1 R 4$).

2.4 Part d

We first prove that R is reflexive, which the trivial as each graph is isomorphic to itself.

We now show that R is symmetric. If $(a R b)$ for the isomorphism defined by the function f , then we know that f^{-1} is also a isomorphism and thus $(b R a)$ holds true.

For proving transitivity, let $(a R b)$ be true for isomorphism f and $(b R c)$ for g , thus G is isomorphic to $f(G)$ and $f(G)$ is isomorphic to $g(f(G))$ thus we can conclude that G is isomorphic to $g(f(G))$, thus $g(f(a)) = g(b) = c$, hence we can conclude that $(a R c)$ is also true.

2.5 Part e

Since the relation $(a R b)$ can either be true or false, all vertices can be partitioned into 2 equivalence class. For the graph shown in example we know that 10,11 and 12 belongs to same equivalence class, as a simple rotation would give automorphism, similarly 1,2,3 belongs to same class. From the example in part a we know that 1 and 10 belongs to same class, hence 1,2,3,10,11 and 12 belongs to same class. We can also see that 4,5,6,7,8 and 9 belongs to same class, as we can make automorphism as a simple rotation. From part b we know that 1 and 4 belongs to different class we conclude that the 2 equivalence class partitions are $(1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12)$ and $(4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9)$

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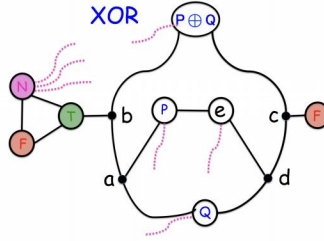
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3 Problem Statement 2

In the graph shown in Figure below, the vertices connected in the triangle on the left are called color-vertices; since they form a triangle, they are forced to have different colors in any coloring of the graph. The colors assigned to the color-vertices will be called T, F and N. The dotted lines indicate edges to the color-vertex N.

- Explain why for any assignment of different truth-colors to P and Q, there is a unique 3-coloring of the graph.
- Prove that in any 3-coloring of the whole graph, the vertex labeled $P \oplus Q$ is colored with the XOR of the colors of vertices P and Q.



4 Solution Problem 2

We can see that P, e and N form a triangle. This forces P and e to be of different truth value. Thus $P = \text{NOT } e$. Since Q is forced to have a truth value, all the cases can be sub-divided into the parts whether $Q = P$ or $Q = \text{NOT } P$.

Case 1 $Q = P$

Since $Q = P$, thus $Q = \text{NOT } e$, thus d being adjacent to both e and Q is forced to have value N . Investigating for c implies that it should be T as it is adjacent to F and $d(N)$. Since the vertex $P \oplus Q$ is adjacent to $c(T)$, it must be F , similarly investigating b followed by a implies that $b = T$ and $a = F$. We can immediately check that this is a valid 3 colouring. Hence we can see that fixing $P = Q$ (not even specific values of P, Q) gives unique colouring.

Case 2 $Q = \text{NOT } P$

Doing similarly as above, analysing P, Q and a implies $a = N$ (as all 3 are adjacent), followed by investigating on $b, P \oplus Q, c$ and d fixes their colouring too. We can see that $P \oplus Q = T$.

We can conclude that fixing the colouring of P and Q fixes the exact colouring of the graph.

We can see that $P = Q$ implies $P \oplus Q = F$ and $P = \text{NOT } Q$ implies $P \oplus Q = T$ which is exactly the XOR operation. Which was exactly the 2nd part of the problem.

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