#### Discrete Mathematics: Lecture 27

Shortest Paths and Djikstra's Algorithm, Traveling Salesperson Problem, Planar

Graph, Euler's Formula, Kuratowski's Theorem

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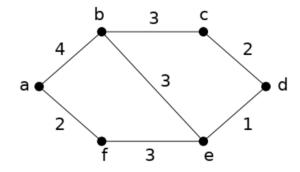
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#### Shortest Path Problem

#### Definition

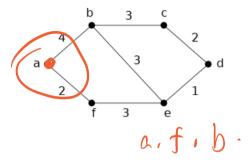
A **weighted graph** is a graph G = (V, E) such that each edge is assigned with a strictly positive number.

The **length** of a path in weighted graph is the sum of the weights of the edges of this path.



a, b, c is a path of length 7 and b, e, d, c is a path of length 6

**Remark:** Observe that in a non-weighted graph the length of a path is the number of edges in the path!



- 1 Find the closest vertex to a → analyse all the edges starting from a: a, b of length 4
  - a, f of length 2
  - $\Rightarrow$  f is the closest vertex to a. The shortest path from a to f has length 2.
- 2 Find the second closest vertex to a → shortest paths from a to a vertex in {a, f} followed by an edge from a vertex in {a, f} to a vertex not in this set:
  - a, b of length 4
  - a, f, e of length 5
  - $\Rightarrow$  b is the second closest vertex to a. The shortest path from a to b has length 4.



- 3 Find the third closest vertex to a → shortest path from a to a vertex in {a, f, b} followed by an edge from a vertex in {a, f, b} to a vertex not in this set:
  - a, b, c of length 7
  - a, b, e of length 7
  - a, f, e of length 5
  - $\Rightarrow$  e is the third closest vertex to a. The shortest path from a to e has length 5.
- Find the fourth closest vertex to  $a \rightsquigarrow$  shortest path from a to a vertex in  $\{a, f, b, e\}$  followed by an edge from a vertex in  $\{a, f, b, e\}$  to a vertex not in this set:
  - a, b, c of length 7
  - a, f, e, d of length 6
  - $\Rightarrow$  d is the fourth closest vertex to a. The shortest path from a to d has length 6.

**Goal:** find the length of a shortest path from a to z with a series of iterations.

- A distinguished set of vertices is constructed by adding one vertex at each iteration.
- A labeling procedure is carried out at each iteration: a vertex w is labeled with the length of a shortest path from a to w that contains only vertices in the distinguished set.
- The vertex added to the distinguished set is one with minimal label among those vertices not already in the set. \_\_\_\_ covered

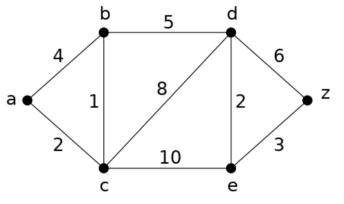
**Notations:**  $S_k :=$  distinguished set after k iterations,  $L_k(v) :=$  length of a shortest path from a to v containing only vertices in  $S_k$  ("label" of v).

Initialization:  $L_0(a) = 0$ ,  $L_0(v) = \infty$  for every vertex  $v \neq a$ ,  $S_0 = \emptyset$ .

#### kth iteration:

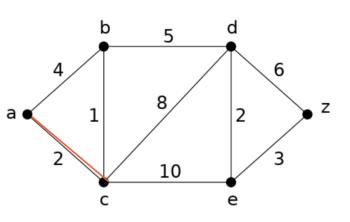
- $S_k$  is formed from  $S_{k-1}$  by adding a vertex u not in  $S_{k-1}$  with smallest label,
- Update the labels of all vertices not in  $S_k$  so that  $L_k(v)$  is the length of a shortest path from a to v containing only vertices in  $S_k$ , i.e.

$$L_k(v) = \min\{L_{k-1}(v), L_{k-1}(u) + w(u, v)\} \text{ (with } w(u, v) \text{ length of the edge } (u, v))$$



■ **k=0** (initialization):  $S_0 = \emptyset$ ,  $L_0(a) = 0$ ,  $L_0(b) = L_0(c) = L_0(d) = L_0(e) = L_0(z) = \infty$ 



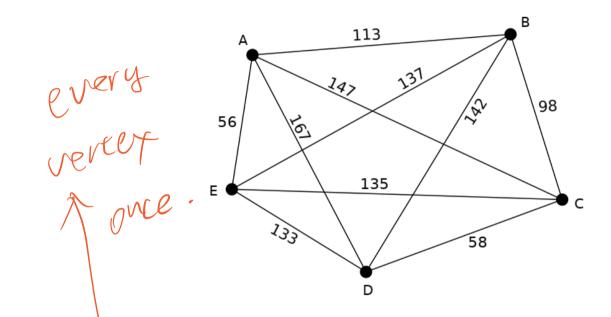


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■ **k=1**: 
$$u := a \rightsquigarrow S_1 = \{a\},$$
  
 $L_0(a) + w(a, b) = 4 < L_0(b) \rightsquigarrow L_1(b) = 4$   
 $L_0(a) + w(a, c) = 2 < L_0(c) \rightsquigarrow L_1(c) = 2$ 

- **k=2**:  $u := c \rightsquigarrow S_1 = \{a, c\},$  $L_1(c) + w(c, b) = 3 < L_1(b) \rightsquigarrow L_2(b) = 3$  $L_1(c) + w(c,d) = 10 < L_1(d) \rightsquigarrow L_2(d) = 10$  $L_1(c) + w(c, e) = 12 < L_1(e) \rightsquigarrow L_2(e) = 12$
- **k=3:**  $u := b \rightsquigarrow S_1 = \{a, c, b\},$  $L_2(b) + w(b,d) = 8 < L_2(d) \rightsquigarrow L_3(d) = 8$
- **k=4:**  $u := d \rightsquigarrow S_1 = \{a, c, b, d\},$  $L_3(d) + w(d, e) = 10 < L_3(e) \rightsquigarrow L_4(e) = 10$  $L_3(d) + w(d, z) = 14 < L_3(z) \rightsquigarrow L_4(z) = 14$
- **k=5**:  $u := e \rightsquigarrow S_1 = \{a, c, b, d, e\},$  $L_4(e) + w(e, z) = 13 < L_4(z) \rightsquigarrow L_5(z) = 13$
- **k=6**:  $u := z \rightsquigarrow S_1 = \{a, c, b, d, z\},$
- return: L(z) = 13

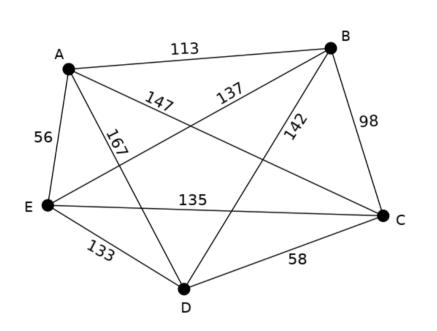
#### **Traveling Salesperson Problem**



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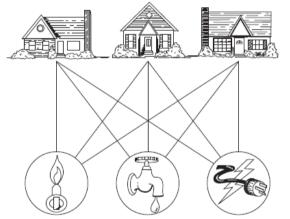
Route	Tot. dist.
A, B, C, D, E, A	610
A, B, C, E, D, A	516
A, B, E, D, C, A	588
A, B, E, C, D, A	458
A, B, D, E, C, A	540
A, B, D, C, E, A	504
A, D, B, C, E, A	598
A, D, B, E, C, A	576
A, D, E, B, C, A	682
A, D, C, B, E, A	646
A, C, D, B, E, A	670
A, C, B, D, E, A	728

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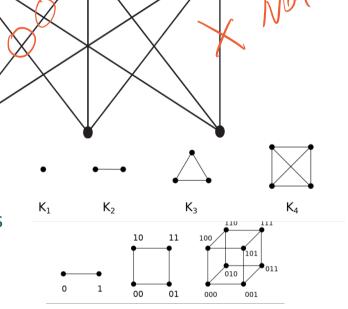
#### Planar Graph

**DEFINITION:** Let G = (V, E) be an undirected graph. G is called a **planar** graph<sub>\*max</sub> if it can be drawn in the plane without any edges crossing.

- Crossing of edges: an intersection other than endpoints (vertices)
- planar representation Y a drawing w/o edge crossing; nonplanar Y a drawing w/o edge crossing y a drawing w/o edge cross

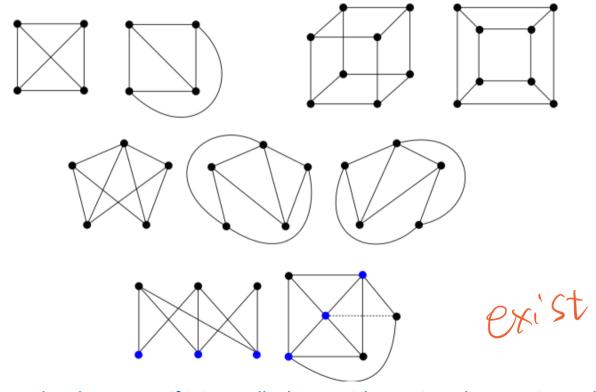


- $K_1, K_2, K_3, K_4$  are planar graphs
- $K_{1,n}, K_{2,n}$  are planar graphs
- $C_n$   $(n \ge 3)$ ,  $W_n$   $(n \ge 3)$  are planar graphs
- $Q_1, Q_2, Q_3$  are planar graphs



#### Planar Graph

#### **Examples**

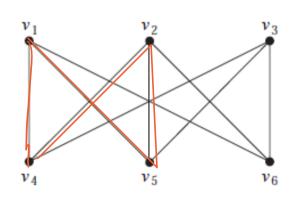


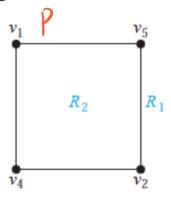
A graph may be planar even if it is usually drawn with crossings, because it may be possible to draw it in a different way without crossings.

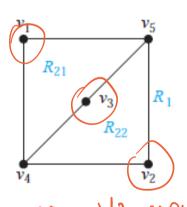
#### Nonplanar Graph

Jordan Curve Theorem: Every simple closed planar curve  $\Gamma$  separates the plane into a bounded interior region and an unbounded exterior region. Any planar curve connecting the two regions must intersect  $\Gamma$ .

**EXAMPLE:** The bipartite graph  $K_{3,3}$  is not planar.



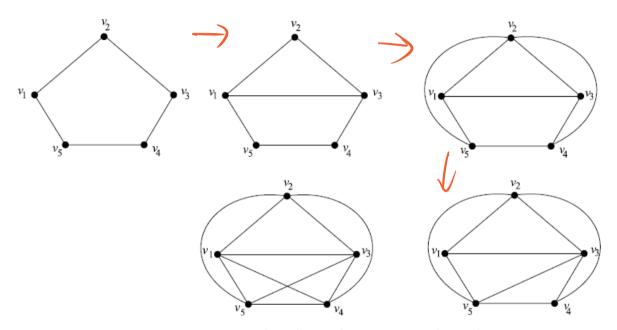




- choose a simple circuit  $v_1$ ,  $v_5$ ,  $v_2$ ,  $v_4$ ,  $v_1$  in  $K_{3,3}$
- If  $K_{3,3}$  is a planar, then the circuit forms a simple closed planar curve
- Add  $v_3$ ,  $v_6$  and the edges incident with them.
  - Intersection occurs (due to the Jordan curve Theorem).

#### Nonplanar Graph

**EXAMPLE:** The complete graph  $K_5$  is not planar.

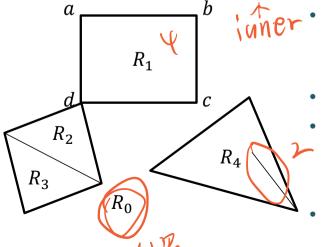


- $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_1$  is a simple closed curve in the planar representation of  $K_5$
- Every remaining edge is in the interior region or in the exterior region
  - at least one is in the interior region
- No matter how you draw the remaining edges, crossing occurs.

#### Regions

**DEFINITION:** Let G = (V, E) be a planar graph. Then the plane is divided into several **regions** by the edges of G.

- The infinite region is **exterior region**外部面. The others are **interior regions**內部面.
- The **boundary**bB of a region is a subset of E.
- The **degree**<sub>®</sub> of a region is the number of edges on its boundary.
  - If an edge is shared by  $R_i$ ,  $R_j$ , then it contributes 1 to  $deg(R_i)$ ,  $deg(R_i)$
  - If an edge is on the boundary of a single region  $R_i$ , then it contributes 2 to  $deg(R_i)$



- The plane is divided into 5 regions  $R_0$ ,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ 
  - $R_0$  is the exterior region
  - $R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4$  are interior regions
- The boundary of  $R_1$ ;  $deg(R_1) = 4$
- There are 4 edges on the boundary of  $R_4$ 
  - $deg(R_4) = 1 + 1 + 1 + 2 = 5$  because one of the edges contribute 2 to  $deg(R_4)$
- $deg(R_0) = 11, deg(R_1) = 4, deg(R_2) =$ 3,  $deg(R_3) = 3, deg(R_4) = 5$

#### Euler's Formula

**THEOREM:** Let G = (V, E) be a connected planar simple graph with eedges and v vertices. Let r be the number of regions in a planar representation of G. Then r = e - v + 2.

**THEOREM:** Let G be a planar simple graph with p connected components. Then |V(G)| - |E(G)| + |R(G)| = p + 1.

- Let  $G_1$ ,  $G_2$ , ...,  $G_p$  be the connected components of G.
  - By Euler's formula,  $|R(G_i)| = |E(G)_i| |V(G_i)| + 2$  for all  $i \in [p]$
- $|V(G)| = |V(G_1)| + |V(G_2)| + \dots + |V(G_p)|$
- $|E(G)| = |E(G_1)| + |E(G_2)| + \dots + |E(G_p)|$   $|R(G)| = |R(G_1)| + |R(G_2)| + \dots + |R(G_p)| p + 1$
- $|V(G)| |E(G)| + |R(G)| = \sum_{i=1}^{p} (|V(G_i)| |E(G_i)| + |R(G_i)|) p + 1$ = 2p - p + 1 = p + 1

#### Euler's Formula: Proof\*

#### Proof of Euler's formula by induction on the number e of edges

- A simple connected planar graph with 0 edges has only one vertex and one face (unbounded). The relation f = e v + 2 is satisfied.
- ullet Suppose the relation is satisfied for all simple connected planar graphs with k edges.

Consider a simple connected planar graph G with k+1 edges,  $k \geq 0$ . This graph can be seen as a simple connected planar graph G' with k edges (satisfying the relation by induction hypothesis) to which we add one edge. There are two ways to add an edge to G' to get G:

- $\blacksquare$  either the two endpoints of the edge are already in G': in this case, adding the edge adds also one face,
- lacktriangle either only one of the endpoint is already in G': in this case, adding the edge adds also one vertex but no other face.

In both cases, the relation f = e - v + 2 is satisfied by G.

Application

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deg (region) edge

**THEOREM:** Let G be a connected planar simple graph. If every region

has degree  $\geq l$  in a planar representation of G, then

then 
$$|E(G)| \le \frac{l}{l-2}(|V(G)| - 2)$$
.

- Let  $R_1, ... R_t$  be the regions given by a planar representation of G //t = |R(G)|
- $\deg(R_i) \ge l$  for every i=1,2,...,t Contribute 2 times. Let  $r=\deg(R_1)+\deg(R_2)+\cdots+\deg(R_t)$ . Then r=2|E(G)|.
  - Every edge contributes 2 to r
    - If  $e \in E$  is on the boundary of a single region  $R_i$ , then e contributes 2 to  $\deg(R_i)$ ;
    - If  $e \in E$  is shared by  $R_i$  and  $R_i$ , then e contributes 1 to  $\deg(R_i)$  and 1 to  $\deg(R_i)$ ;
- $2|E(G)| = r = \deg(R_1) + \deg(R_2) + \dots + \deg(R_t) \ge lt \ne l|R(G)|$
- |R(G)| = |E(G)| |V(G)| + 2
- Hence,  $|E(G)| \le \frac{l}{l-2}(|V(G)| 2)$

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# Handshaking Theorem

**THEOREM:** Let G = (V, E) be an <u>undirected</u> graph. Then  $2|E| = \sum_{v \in V} \deg(v)$  and  $|\{v \in V : \deg(v) \text{ is odd}\}|$  is even.

- Any edge  $e \in E$  contribute 2 to the sum  $\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v)$ 
  - $e = \{v_i, v_i\}$ : e contributes 1 to  $\deg(v_i)$  and 1 to  $\deg(v_i)$
  - $e = \{v_i\}$ : e contributes 2 to  $\deg(v_i)$
- The m edges contribute 2|E| to  $\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v)$ .
  - Hence,  $\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v) = 2|E|$
- $\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v) = \sum_{v \in V: 2 \mid \deg(v)} \deg(v) + \sum_{v \in V: 2 \mid \deg(v)} \deg(v)$ 
  - $2|\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v); 2|\sum_{v \in V: 2|\deg(v)} \deg(v)$ 
    - $2|\sum_{v \in V: 2 \nmid \deg(v)} \deg(v)$ 
      - $|\{v \in V : \deg(v) \text{ is odd}\}|$  must be even

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## Application

**COROLLARY:** Let G be a connected planar simple graph. If  $|V(G)| \ge 3$ , then  $|E(G)| \le 3|V(G)| - 6$ .

Every region has degree  $\geq 3$  in a planar representation of G

- Let l = 3 in the previous theorem
  - $|E(G)| \le \frac{3}{3-2} (|V(G)| 2) = 3|V(G)| 6.$

**EXAMPLE:** The complete graph  $K_5$  is not planar.

- $|E(K_5)| = {5 \choose 2} = 10, |V(K_5)| = 5, K_5$  is connected simple and of order  $\geq 3$ 
  - $|E(K_5)| > 3|V(K_5)| 6$ 
    - Hence,  $K_5$  cannot be planar

**COROLLARY:** Let G be a connected planar simple graph. Then G has a

- vertex of degree  $\leq 5$ .

   |V(G)| < 3: the statement is true.
  - $|V(G)| \ge 3$ :  $\forall u \in V(G)$ ,  $\deg(u) \ge 6 \Rightarrow 2|E(G)| = \sum_u \deg(u) \ge 6|V(G)|$ 
    - G cannot be planar

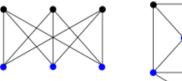
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### **Application**

**COROLLARY:** Let G be a connected planar simple graph. If  $|V(G)| \geq 3$ and there is no circuits of length 3 in G, then  $|E(G)| \leq 2|V(G)| - 4$ .

- Let  $R_1, ... R_t$  be the regions given by a planar representation of G //t = |R(G)|
- $\deg(R_i) \geq 4$  for every i=1,2,...,t• Hence,  $|E(G)| \leq \frac{4}{4-2}(|V(G)|-2) = 2|V(G)|-4$  **EXAMPLE:** The complete bipartite graph  $K_{3,3}$  is not planar.  $|E(K_i)| = 2 \times 2$

- $|E(K_{3,3})| = 3 \times 3 = 9, |V(K_{3,3})| = 3 + 3 = 6 \ge 3$
- $K_{3,3}$  is connected, simple and of order  $\geq 3$ .
- There is no circuits of length 3 in  $K_{3,3}$
- $|E(K_{3,3})| = 9 > 8 = 2|V(K_{3,3})| 4$
- Hence,  $K_{3,3}$  cannot be planar



**REMARKS:**  $K_5$  and  $K_{3,3}$  are fundamental nonplanar graphs.