



# Graph Theory

- Graphs
- Edges
- Vertex (Vertices)
- Degree
- Degree Sequence
- Sum of Degree Sequence
- Isomorphism

# Graph Theory (2002)

## 2002 Question 6

- A company operates an express coach service between seven cities; **c1,c2,c3,...,c7**
- The number of other cities to which each city is directly linked by a coach is given in the following table.

CITY	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C7
No. of Connections	3	2	3	5	4	4	1

## **Graph Theory (2002)**

Describe how such as communications network can be modelled by a graph, saying what the vertices represent and a rule for determining when two vertices are adjacent.

Calculate how many pairs of cities have a direct coach link between them.  
giving at brief explanation of your method.

## Graph Theory (2002)

- What is meant by saying that a graph is simple?
  - Say why a graph model of this communications network would be simple.
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- Is it possible to construct a graph with degree sequence  $(4, 4, 4, 3, 3, 2, 1)$ ?
  - Either construct an example of such a graph or say why it is not possible to do so

## Graph Theory (2007)

Question 6 Given the following definitions for simple, connected graphs:

- $K_n$  is a graph on  $n$  vertices where each pair of vertices is connected by an edge;
- $C_n$  is the graph with vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$  and edges  $\{v_1, v_2\}, \{v_2, v_3\}, \dots, \{v_n, v_1\}$ ;
- $W_n$  is the graph obtained from  $C_n$  by adding an extra vertex,  $v_{n+1}$ , and edges from this to each of the original vertices in  $C_n$ .

## Graph Theory (2007)

- (a) Draw  $K_4$ ,  $C_4$ , and  $W_4$ .  $[2\frac{1}{2}]$
- (b) Giving your answer in terms of  $n$ , write down an expression for the number of edges in  $K_n$ ,  $C_n$ , and  $W_n$ .  $[2\frac{1}{2}]$

## Graph Theory (2007- Part C not part of course)

- (c) (i) Find the number of different paths of length two in each of the graphs in part (a), where a path does not contain the same edge more than once, and a path from  $v_x$  to  $v_y$  is different from a path from  $v_y$  to  $v_x$ .
- (ii) Giving your answer in terms of  $n$ , write down an expression for the number of different paths of length two there are in  $K_n$ . [5]



## Graph Theory (2006)

**Question 5** (a) Let  $G$  be a simple graph with vertex set  $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5\}$  and adjacency lists as follows:

$v_1 : v_2 v_3 v_4$

$v_2 : v_1 v_3 v_4 v_5$

$v_3 : v_1 v_2 v_4$

$v_4 : v_1 v_2 v_3.$

$v_5 : v_2$

## Graph Theory (2006)

(i) List the degree sequence of  $G$ .

$$v_1 : v_2 v_3 v_4$$

(ii) Draw the graph of  $G$ .

$$v_2 : v_1 v_3 v_4 v_5$$

(iii) Find two distinct paths of length 3, starting at  $v_3$  and ending at  $v_4$ .

$$v_3 : v_1 v_2 v_4$$

(iv) Find a 4 cycle in  $G$ .

$$v_4 : v_1 v_2 v_3.$$

$$v_5 : v_2$$

## Graph Theory (2006)

- (b) In the following cases either construct a graph with the specified properties or say why it is not possible to do so.
- (i) A graph with degree sequence 3,2,2,1.
  - (ii) A simple graph with degree sequence 4,3,2,2. [4]

# Graph Theory 2010

## Question 6

Let  $G$  be a graph and let  $u$  and  $v$  be vertices of  $G$ .

- (a) i. Say what is meant by the degree of  $v$ .
- ii. Say what is meant by saying  $u$  and  $v$  are adjacent.

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- (b) State, without proof, a result connecting the number of edges of  $G$  with the degrees of its vertices.

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## Graph Theory 2010

- (c) A graph is called  $k$ -regular if each of its vertices has degree  $k$ .
- Use the result from (b) to find the number of edges in a 7-regular graph with 8 vertices.
  - Explain why it is not possible to construct a 7-regular graph on 9 vertices.
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## Graph Theory 2009

Question 4 (a) What properties should a graph possess if it is

(i) simple (ii) connected?

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## Graph Theory 2009

(b) Given a graph  $G$  with degree sequence

4, 3, 3, 2, 1, 1.

- (i) How many vertices are there in  $G$ ?
- (ii) Find the number of edges in  $G$ , explaining how you obtain your answer.

## Graph Theory 2009

(iii) Draw an example of a simple graph  $G$  with the degree sequence

$4, 3, 3, 2, 1, 1$ .

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## Graph Theory 2009

- (c) (i) Say why it is not possible to construct a simple graph with the degree sequence

$4, 2, 2, 2$ .

- (ii) Show it is possible to construct a graph with this degree sequence if we do not require it to be simple. [2]

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