# **Basics**

#### **Notations**

•  $\binom{V}{k} := \{A : A \subseteq V \land |A| = k\}$ •  $[n] := \{1, \dots, n\} \subset \mathbb{N}$ • Power set  $2^X := \{A : A \subseteq X\}$ 

# Graphs

- **Definition**: G = (V, E) with  $E \subseteq V^2$ ,  $V \cap E = \emptyset$
- Vertex:  $v \in V$  for graph G = (V, E)
  - $\circ \ \ v \ \textit{incident with} \ e \Longleftrightarrow v \in e$
  - $\circ v_1, v_2$  ends of  $e \Leftrightarrow e = v_1 v_2$
- $\circ v_1, v_2 \ adjacent/neighbors \iff v_1v_2 \in E$
- Edge:  $e = \{x, y\} \in E$  for graph G = (V, E) (short e = xy)
- $\circ$  e edge at  $v \Leftrightarrow v$  incident with e
- $\circ$  e joins  $v_1$ ,  $v_2 \Leftrightarrow e = v_1 v_2$
- $\circ xy$  is X-Y-edge  $\Leftrightarrow x \in X \land y \in Y$
- $\circ \ e_1, e_2 \ \textit{adjacent/neighbors} \Leftrightarrow \ \exists \ v : v \in e_1 \ \land \ v \in e_2$
- Vertex sets:
- $\circ V(G) = V \text{ for graph } G = (V, E)$
- o  $\ X \in V(G)$  independent  $\Leftrightarrow$  no  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  are adjacent
- neighborhood of  $v \in V(G)$ :  $N(v) = \{u \in V(G) : uv \in E(G)\}$
- - $\circ E(G) = E \text{ for graph } G = (V, E)$
  - E(X,Y): set of edges between  $X \subset V(G)$  and  $Y \subset V(G)$
  - o E(x,Y): set of edges between vertex  $x\in V(G)$  and  $Y\subset V(G)$
- $\circ$  E(v): set of edges at  $v \in V(G)$
- Order: = |V(G)|, short |G|
- Size: = |E(G)|, short ||G||
- Trivial graph: graph of order 0 or 1
- Incidence graph of  $G: IG = (V \cup E, \{\{v, e\} : v \in e, e \in E\})$
- Isomorphic ( $G_1$  to another graph  $G_2$ , write  $G_1 \cong G_2$  or even  $G_1 = G_2$ ):  $\exists \ \text{bijection} \ f: V_1 \to V_2: \{u,v\} \in E_1 \Leftrightarrow \{f(u),f(v)\} \in E_2$  • Graph union:  $G \cup G' = (V(G) \cup V(G'),E(G) \cup E(G'))$

- Graph intersection:  $G \cap G' = (V(G) \cap V(G'), E(G) \cap E(G'))$  Graph multiplication: G \* G': join all  $v \in G$  with all  $v' \in G'$ (with  $V(G) \cap V(G') = \emptyset$ )
- Subgraph G' of G (write  $G' \subseteq G$ ): if  $V(G') \subseteq V(G)$  and  $E(G') \subseteq E(G)$
- G contains G
- G' proper subgraph of G: if  $G' \subseteq G$  and  $G' \neq G$  G' induced subgraph of G:  $G' \subseteq G$  and G' = G' contains all edges of G with both ends in V(G'), V(G') induces G', write G' = G[X] (with X = V(G'))
- Edge-induced subgraph: subgraph induced by  $X \subseteq E(G)$ , note G[X]
- G' spanning subgraph of G: V(G') = V(G)
- Supergraph: G of G
   (write G ⊇ G
   ): as above.
   Vertex cover: V
   ⊆ V(G) s.t. any e ∈ E(G) is incident to a vertex in V
- · Graph subtraction:
- $\circ G U = G[V(G) \setminus U]$  for some vertex set U
- $\circ \ G v = G[V(G) \setminus \{v\}] \text{ for some vertex } v$   $\circ \ G G' = G[V(G) \setminus V(G')] \text{ for some graph } G'$
- Edge addition:  $G + F = (V(G), V(E) \cup F)$  for some  $F \subseteq V(G)^2$
- Complement:  $\overline{G} = (V(G), V^2 \setminus E(G))$
- Line graph of  $G: L(G) = (E(G), \{xy \in E(G)^2 : x, y \text{ adjacent in } G\})$  Complete graph:  $(X, X^2)$  with vertex set X
- $\circ K_n$ : complete graph on n vertices

## Vertex degrees

- Degree of  $v \in V$ :  $d(v) = \deg(v) = |N(v)|$
- $v \in V(G)$  isolated: d(v) = 0
- $v \in V(G)$  leaf: d(v) = 1
- $\circ \;$  number of vertices of odd degree is even
- Minimum degree of graph  $G: \delta(G) = \min\{d(v) : v \in V(G)\}$
- Maximum degree of graph  $G: \Delta(G) = \max\{d(v) : v \in V(G)\}$
- Degree sum:  $\sum_{v \in V(G)} \deg(v) = 2|E(G)|$
- Average degree of graph  $G: d(G) = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{v \in V} d(v)$
- $\circ \ \delta(G) \le d(G) \le \Delta(G)$
- k-regular graph:  $\forall v \in V(G) : d(v) = k$
- o cubic graph: 3-regular graph
- Vertex-Edge-ratio of graph  $G: \varepsilon(G) = \frac{||G||}{|G|}$
- $\circ \ \varepsilon(G) = \frac{1}{2}d(G)$
- every graph with  $||G|| \ge 1$  has  $H \subseteq G$  with  $\delta(H) > \varepsilon(H) \ge \varepsilon(G)$

#### **Paths**

- Path:  $(\{v_1,\ldots,v_n\},\{\{v_1,v_2\},\ldots,\{v_{n-1},v_n\}\})$  (read:  $v_0v_n$ -path)
  - $\circ$  shorthand:  $v_1 \dots v_n$
  - $\circ v_0, v_n$  linked by path
  - $\circ \ v_0$  ,  $v_n$  end-vertices/ends of path
  - $\circ \ v_1, \ldots, v_{n-1}$  inner vertices of path
- Length:  $|E(P)| \neq |V(P)|$
- Shorthands  $(0 \le i \le j \le k)$ :
  - $\circ \ P = x_0 \dots x_k, \mathring{P} = x_1 \dots x_{k-1}$
  - $\circ \ Px_i = x_0 \dots x_i, P\mathring{x_i} = x_0 \dots x_{i-1}$
- $\circ \ x_iP = x_i \dots x_k, \mathring{x_i}P = x_{i+1} \dots x_k$
- $\circ \ x_i P x_j = x_i \dots x_j, \mathring{x_i} P \mathring{x_j} = x_{i+1} \dots x_{j-1}$
- Path concatenation:  $Px \cap xQy \cap yR = PxQyR$
- A-B-path:  $V(P) \cap A = \{x_0\} \land V(P) \cap B = \{x_n\}$
- **H-path**: graph H, P meets H exactly in its ends
- Independent: two ab-paths are independent  $\Leftrightarrow$  they only share a and b
- Path existence: Every G with  $\delta(G) \ge 2$  contains path of length  $\delta(G)$
- Distance:  $d_G(x,y) = \min (\{k : \exists x-y\text{-path of length } k\} \cup \{\infty\})$
- Central:  $v \in V(G)$  where cen =  $\max\{d_G(v,x) : v \neq x \in V(G)\}$  is minimal
- Radius:  $\operatorname{rad}(G)$  = minimal cen =  $\min_{x \in V(G)} \max_{y \in V(G)} d_G(x,y)$
- Diameter of G: diam $(G) = \max\{d_G(x,y) : x,y \in V(G)\}$
- $\circ$  radius-diameter-relation: rad $(G) \le diam(G) \le 2rad(G)$
- o radius-degree-vertex-restriction:

$$\operatorname{rad}(G) \leq k \wedge \Delta(G) \leq d \geq 3 \Rightarrow |G| \leq \frac{d}{d-2}(d-1)^k$$
• Walk: alternating sequence  $v_0e_0\dots e_{k-1}v_k$  s.t.  $e_i = v_iv_{i+1}$   $(\forall i < k)$ 

- $\circ$  closed walk:  $v_k = v_0$
- o walk-path-relation: all vertices in walk distinct → path
- $\circ$  walk-path-induction:  $\exists v_0 v_k$ -walk  $\Rightarrow \exists v_0 v_k$ -path

# Cycles

- Cycle:  $C = P + x_{k-1}x_0$  with path  $P = x_0 \dots x_{k-1}$   $(k \ge 3)$
- $\circ$  shorthand:  $x_0 \dots x_{k-1} x_0$
- Length: = |C| = ||C||
- **k-cycle**:  $C_k$  = cycle of length k
- Girth of graph  $G: g(G) = \min (\{k : G \text{ contains } C_k\} \cup \{\infty\})$
- $\circ$  girth-diameter-relation:  $g(G) \le 2 \text{diam}(G) + 1$
- ∘ girth-vertex-relation:  $\delta(G) \ge 3 \Rightarrow g(G) < 2\log|G|$
- Circumference of graph G: =  $\max (\{k : G \text{ contains } C_k\} \cup \{0\})$
- Chord of cycle  $C \subseteq G$ : =  $xy \in E(G)$  with  $xy \notin E(C)$ , but  $x, y \in V(C)$
- Induced cycle: induced subgraph of G that is a cycle (= cycle in G with no chords)
- Cycle existence: Every G with  $\delta(G) \ge 2$  contains cycle of length  $\ge \delta(G) + 1$
- Odd closed walk, odd cycle: G has odd closed walk  $\Rightarrow$  G has odd cycle

# Connectivity

- Connected graph  $G: \forall x, y \in V(G): \exists xy$ -path
- $\circ$  connected subset  $U \subseteq V(G)$ : if G[U] is connected
- Vertex enumeration: G connected  $\Rightarrow$  vertices can be enumerated  $v_1,\ldots,v_n$  s.t.  $G_i \coloneqq G[v_1, \dots, v_i]$  is connected  $(\forall i \le n)$
- Component: maximal connected subgraph
  - $\circ \ \ \mathit{graph\ partitioning}$  : components partition G
- Subgraph separation:  $X \subset V(G)$  separates  $A, B \subset V(G) \Leftrightarrow$  any A-B-path has vertex in X
- separator X
- Cut-Vertex: vertex separating two other vertices of the component
- Bridge: edge separating its ends (= edges of component not lying on any cycle)
- **k-connected**: if  $|G| > k \land G X$  is connected  $\forall X \subseteq V(G)$  with |X| < k
- $\rightarrow$  no two vertices in G are separated by fewer than k other vertices
- ightharpoonup any two vertices can be joined by k independent paths
- Connectivity:  $\kappa(G) = \max\{k : G \text{ is } k\text{-connected}\}\$ • 1-edge-connected: if  $|G| > 1 \land G - F$  is connected  $\forall F \subseteq E(G)$  with |F| < l
- Edge-connectivity:  $\kappa'(G) = \lambda(G) = \max\{l : G \text{ is } l\text{-edge-connected}\}$
- Connectivity and smallest degree:  $\kappa(G) \le \kappa'(G) \le \delta(G)$
- Connectivity and average degree:  $d(G) \ge 4k \Rightarrow G$  has k-connected subgraph

# Trees and forests

- · Forest: Graph with no cycle as subgraph
- Tree: Graph that is connected and acyclic
- $\Leftrightarrow$  G is connected and  $\forall e \in E(G) : G e$  is disconnected (minimal-connected)
- $\Leftrightarrow G$  is acyclic and  $\forall xy \notin E(G) : G \cup xy$  has cycle (maximal-acyclic)
- $\Leftrightarrow$  G is connected and 1-degenerate  $(\forall G' \subseteq G : \delta(G') \le 1)$
- $\Leftrightarrow$  G is connected and ||G|| = |G| 1
- $\Leftrightarrow$  G is acyclic and ||G|| = |G| 1

 $\Leftrightarrow \forall u, v \in V(G) \exists \text{ unique } uv\text{-path}$ 

- Special trees: path, star, spider, caterpillar, broom
- Leaf existence: Tree T,  $|T| \ge 2 \Rightarrow T$  has leaf
- Edge count: Tree T,  $|T| = n \Rightarrow ||T|| = n 1$

#### Bipartite graphs

- **r-partite** graph G: V(G) allows partitioning in r classes s.t.  $\forall e = xy \in E(G)$ :  $\boldsymbol{x}$  and  $\boldsymbol{y}$  are in different classes
- · Bipartite graph: 2-partite graph
- $\iff G$  contains no cycles of odd length
- complete bipartite:  $K_{m,n} = (A \cup B, \{a,b\} : a \in A, b \in B)$

#### Contraction and minors

- **Subdivision** of graph G: any graph obtained from G by subdividing edges
- Topological minor: H is topological minor if  $TH\subseteq G$  where TH is built from H by subdividing edges
- $\circ \ \mathit{branch\ vertices}$  : original vertices of H
- o subdividing vertices: vertices placed on edges joining branch vertices
- MH:  $G \stackrel{(\star)}{=} MH$  is minor of H if  $V(G) = V_1 \cup \cdots \cup V_n$  with n = |H|
  - $\circ$   $G[V_i]$  connected  $(\forall i = 1, \dots, n)$
- o  $% \left\{ v_{1},\ldots,v_{n}\right\} =\left\{ v_{1},\ldots,v_{n}\right\}$  and  $v_{i}v_{j}\in E(H)$  , then  $\exists$  edge between  $V_{i}$  and  $V_{j}$
- ( $\star$ ): Notation abuse: MH is class of graphs
- Branch sets:  $V_i$ 's from above
- · Extended branch graph: Branch set together with incident edges
- Minor (H of G, noted  $H \leq G$ ):  $\iff MH \subseteq G$
- $\rightarrow$   $H \preceq G \iff H$  can be obtained by edge/vertex deletions + **contractions**.
- Note: TH ⊆ MH

#### **Euler tours**

- · Definition: closed walk with
- $\circ$  no edges of G are repeatedly used
- $\circ$  all edges of G are used
- Eulerian graph: graph containing an Euler tour  $\Leftrightarrow \forall v \in V(G) : d(v)$  even

# Algebraic assets

• Adjacency matrix:  $A(G) = \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \ni A_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 1, & ij \in E \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$ 

# Other graph notions

- Digraph: G = (V, E) with vertex set V and edge set  $E \subseteq \{(u, v) : u, v \in E\}$
- Multigraph: G = (V, E) with vertex set V and multiset E of V-pairs
- Multigraph: G = (V, E) with vertex set V and edge set E ⊆ 2<sup>V</sup> = {A : A ⊆

# Matching, Covering, Packing

#### Matching in bipartite graphs

- Vertex cover:  $U \subseteq V(G)$  s.t. all edges in G are incident to a vertex  $\in U$
- Matching M: set of independent edges in a graph
- matching graph:  $\delta(G) = \Delta(G) = 1$
- o saturating:  $G = (A \cup B, E)$  has matching saturating A

 $\Leftrightarrow \forall S \subseteq A : N(S) \ge |S| \ \ (N(S) \coloneqq \{b \in B : ab \in E, a \in S\})$ 

- $\circ \ \textit{nearly} : G = (A \cup B, E), \forall S \subseteq A : |N(S)| \ge |S| d \ (d \ge 1).$ 
  - $\Rightarrow \exists$  matching M saturating all but at most d vertices of A
- k-factor: k-regular spanning subgraph
- Matching vs vertex cover: size of largest matching = size of smallest vertex cover (Königs theorem)
- Matching existence:
- neighbor-based:  $G = (A \cup B, E)$  contains matching of  $A \Leftrightarrow |N(S)| \ge |S|$
- o  $\mathit{regular} + \mathit{bipartite} \colon G$  is  $k\text{-regular} + \mathsf{bipartite} \ (k \geq 1) \Rightarrow \ G$  has 1-factor
- o 2k-regular: graph 2k-regular  $(k \ge 1) \Longrightarrow$  has 2-factor
- · Marriages: make matchings based on preferences
  - $\circ$  preferences: family  $(\leq_v)_{v\in V}$  of linear orderings  $\leq_v$  on E(v)
  - $\circ$  stable matching M:
    - $\forall e \in E \setminus M \exists f \in M : e \text{ and } f \text{ have common vertex } v \text{ with } e <_v f$

# o stable matching existence: For every set of preferences, G has stable matching

# Matchings in general graphs

- Perfect matching: spanning + matching subgraph of G (aka 1-factor)
- existence (Tutte): G has perfect matching  $\Leftrightarrow \forall S \subseteq V(G) : q(G-S) \leq S$ (Tutte's condition, q(G) = number of components in G with odd order)
- o existence (Petersen): G bridgeless + cubic  $\Rightarrow$  G has 1-factor

# Connectivity

## 2-connected graphs and subgraphs

- 2-connected construction: G is 2-connected  $\Leftrightarrow$  it can be constructed by successively adding paths to a cycle
- Block: maximal 2-connected subgraph or bridge
  - o share ≤ 1 vertices with another
  - $\circ$  cycles of G = cycles of its blocks
  - $\circ$  bounds of G = minimal cuts of its blocks
- Block-cut-vertex graph
- $\circ V = \text{set of blocks} \cup \text{set of vertices}$
- $E = \{\{v, B\} : v \in V(B), \text{ cut-vertex } v, \text{ block } B\}$
- o block-cut-vertex graph of connected graph is tree

#### Rest

- Degree sequence: multiset of degrees of vertices in V(G)
  - $\circ$  graphic: deg. seq.  $(d_1,\ldots,d_n)$ , iff
  - 1.  $d_1 + \dots + d_n$  even 2.  $\sum_{i=1}^k d_i \le k(k-1) + \sum_{i=1}^k i = k+1^n \min(d_i, k)$   $(\forall 1 \le k \le n)$

# **Factors**

- **k-factor**: spanning k-regular subgraph (easy to find)
- **f-factor**: spanning subgraph  $H \subseteq G$  with  $\deg_H(v) = f(v)$ ,  $f: V(G) \to \{0, 1, \dots\} \text{ with } f(v) \le \deg(v) \quad (\forall v \in V)$
- **H-factor** (aka perfect H-packing): spanning subgraph s.t. each component is  $\cong H$ • existence: if  $\delta(G) \ge \left(1 - \frac{1}{k} |V(G)|\right)$  and k divides |G|, then G has  $K_k$ -factor

# Connectivity

- k-connected: if |G| > k and deleting < k vertices does not disconnect G
- k-linked: if for any 2k vertices  $(s_1, \ldots, s_k, t_1, \ldots, t_k) \exists$  pairwise disjoint  $s_i t_i$ paths (note: k-connected  $\Rightarrow k$ -linked)
- Vertex-connectivity:  $\kappa(G) = \max\{k : G \text{ is } k\text{-connected}\}$
- l-edge-connected: if deleting < l edges does not disconnect G
- Edge-connectivity:  $\kappa'(G) = \max\{l : G \text{ is } l\text{-edge-connected}\}$
- Vertex- vs Edge-connectivity:  $\kappa(G) \le \kappa'(G) \le \delta(G)$
- Three-connected + contraction: 3-connected  $\Leftrightarrow \exists$  separate  $G_0, \ldots, G_k$  with  $G_0 = K_4, G_k = G, G_i = G_{i+1} \circ xy$ with  $deg(x), deg(y) \ge 3$
- Three-connected + decontraction: all 3-connected graphs can be built by iteratively de-contracting vertices of  $K_4$

#### Cuts

- Cut-Set:  $X \subseteq V(G) \cup E(G)$  s.t. #components in (G X) greater than in G
- Cut-Vertex: Cut-Set consisting of single vertex
- Cut-Edge (or bridge): Cut-Set consisting of single edge
- Menger's theorem: for  $A, B \subseteq V(G)$ :
  - min # of vertices separating A and  $B = \max$  # of disjoint A-B-paths
- · Menger global:
  - 1. k-connected  $\Leftrightarrow \forall a, b \in V(G) \exists k$  pairwise independent ab-paths
  - 2. k-edge-connected  $\iff \forall a, b \in V(G) \ \exists \ k$  pairwise edge-disjoint ab-paths

#### Ear-decomposition

- **Definition**: G has ear-decomposition  $\iff \exists$  sequence of graphs  $G_0,\ldots,G_k$  with  $G_k = G, G_0 = \text{cycle}, G_{i+1}$  obtained from  $G_i$  by attaching "ear" (path that shares only endpoints with  $G_i$ )

# Edge contraction

Contraction:

 $G \circ xy = ((V \setminus \{x, y\}) \cup v_{xy},$  $(E \backslash \{e: x \in E \lor y \in e\}) \cup \{v_{xy}z: z \in (N_G(x) \cup N_G(y)) \backslash \{x,y\}\})$ with  $xy \in E(G)$ 

• De-contraction: if  $\exists xy \in E(G) : \kappa(G \circ xy) \ge 3$ (for G with  $\kappa(G) \ge 3$ ,  $|G| \ge 5$ )

### Planar graph tools

- Homeomorphism:  $f:\mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  continuous s.t.  $f^{-1}$  is also continuous
- Arc: homeomorphic image of [0,1] in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  under f
  - o endpoints: f(0) and  $f(1) \rightarrow \text{arc "joins"}$  endpoints
- o polynomial arc: arc that is union of finitely many straight line segments
- Region  $Y \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus X$ : any two points  $\in Y$  could be joined by arc and Y is maximal  $(X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2)$
- Boundary of  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ :

 $\delta X = \{y \mid \forall \varepsilon > 0 : B(y,\varepsilon) \text{ contains points of } X \text{ and not of } X\}$ • Jordan curve theorem: If  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  and homeomorphic to  $\{\overline{x} : \operatorname{dist}(\overline{x},0) = 1\}$ (unit circle), then  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus X$  has two regions  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $\delta R_1 = X = \delta R_2$ .

#### Plane graph

- **Definition**: graph such that E(G) is set of arcs in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and endpoints of arcs in E(G) are vertices and:
  - $\forall e, e' \in E, e \neq e' : e$  and e' have distinct sets of edge sets
  - o  $\forall e \in E, \mathring{e} = e \setminus \{\text{endpoints}\}\ \text{doesn't contain any vertices and points from}$ other arcs
- Faces: regions of  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \left(\bigcup_{e \in E} e \cup V\right)$
- · Maximally plane: no edges can be added without breaking planarity
- o *plane triangulation*: every face is bounded by triangle ⇔ graph is maximally plane
- Edge limitation 1: Plane graph:  $|G| \ge 3 \Rightarrow ||G|| \le 3n 6$
- Edge limitation 2: Plane graph with no  $\triangle$ :  $||G|| \le 2|G| 4$
- **Properties**: Let G be plane graph and  $H \subseteq G$ .
- face inheritance:  $\forall f \in F(G) \exists f' \in F(H) : f' \supseteq f$
- $\circ$  border inheritance:  $\delta f \subseteq H \Rightarrow f' = f$
- $\circ$  edge-border relations:  $e \in E(G), f \in F(G) \Rightarrow e \subseteq \delta f \vee \delta f \cap \mathring{e} = \emptyset$
- o edges in circles:
  - $e \in E(G)$  is edge of a cycle  $\Rightarrow e$  is on boundary of exactly 2 faces

not edge of a cycle  $\Rightarrow e$  is on boundary of exactly 1 face

- faces in cycles:  $f_1, f_2 \in F(G)$ .  $f_1 \neq f_2 \land \delta f_1 = \delta f_2 \Rightarrow G$  is cycle
- cyclic boundaries:  $\kappa(G) \ge 2 \implies$  each face is bounded by cycle
- o plane forests: plane forests have exactly 1 face
- **Dual multigraph**: Given plane G:
- 1. Insert vertex in each face
- 2. Put edge  $\tilde{e}$  between vertices if respective faces share e (s.t.  $\tilde{e}$  and e cross once)
- 3. Result: Dual graph G' of G (plane multigraph)
- $\rightarrow$  faces of G properly k-colored  $\Leftrightarrow \exists$  proper k-coloring of vertices of G'

# Planar graph

- **Definition**: graph s.t.  $\exists$  plane graph G' and bijection  $f:V(G)\to V(G')$  s.t.  $\forall u, v \in V(G), uv \in E(G) : f(u), f(v)$  are endpoints of arc in G'
- Planar embedding of G: f from the definition
- Planar because of minors: The following statements are equivalent:
- $\circ G$  is planar
- $\circ \ G \not\supseteq MK_5 \wedge G \not\supseteq MK_{3,3}$
- $\circ$   $G \not\supseteq TK_5 \land G \not\supseteq TK_{3,3}$
- Euler's formula: If G is connected plane graph with f faces, then |G| - ||G|| + f = 2
- $\delta(G)$  **limitation**: Planar graph  $\delta(G) \leq 5$
- Non-planar graphs:  $K_5$  and  $K_{3,3}$  are not planar
- Kuratowski's lemmas:
- 1.  $(TK_5 \subseteq G \vee TK_{3,3} \subseteq G) \Leftrightarrow MK_5 \subseteq G \vee MK_{3,3} \subseteq G$
- 2.  $\kappa(G) \ge 3 \land MK_5 \not\subseteq G \land MK_{3,3} \not\subseteq G \Rightarrow G$  is planar
- 3.  $\kappa(G) \geq 3$ , G edge-maximal wrt not containing TX. If S is vertex-cut of G,  $|S| \leq 2 \land G = G_1 \cup G_2$ ,  $S = V(G_1) \cap V(G_2)$ , then  $G_i$  is edge-maximal with no TX and S induces an edge
- 4.  $|G| \ge 3, G$  edge-maximal wrt not containing  $TK_5$  and  $TK_{3,3} \Rightarrow \kappa(G) \ge 3$
- 2-cell (embedding of G on surface S): any closed simple curve in any region of S-G is continuously contractible into a point
- Euler characteristic: G embedded on surface  $S \Rightarrow n-e+f$  = Euler characteristic
- Euler genus:  $n e + f = 2 2\gamma \Rightarrow Euler$  genus  $2\gamma$  of S
- Heawood's formula:  $\chi(G) \leq \frac{7+\sqrt{1+48\gamma}}{2}$  $f(\gamma)$ , Heawoods number

(for G embedded on S with Euler char  $2-2\gamma$ )

• Klein bottle:  $K_{f(\gamma)}$  is embeddable on S, unless S is klein bottle

## **Coloring**

- Co-clique number:  $\alpha(G)$  = size of largest independent set
- Clique number:  $\omega(G)$  = size of largest clique
- Proper coloring:  $= c : V(G) \to [k]$  with  $c(u) \neq c(v) \quad (\forall uv \in E(G))$
- Equitable coloring: proper coloring + color classes have almost  $(\pm 1)$  equal size o existence: any graph has equitable coloring in  $(\Delta(G) + 1)$  colors
- 4-color-theorem: G planar  $\Rightarrow \chi(G) \le 4$
- ij-flip:  $c': V(G) \to [k]$  is ij-flip at  $v \in V(G)$
- $\Leftrightarrow c'$  obtained by flipping colors i and j in max. conn. component containing v

#### Chromatic number

- **Definition**:  $\chi(G) = \min\{k : G \text{ has proper coloring with } k \text{ colors}\}\$
- Examples:  $\chi(C_{2n}) = 2$ ,  $\chi(C_{2n+1}) = 3$
- · Properties:
  - $\circ \ \chi(G) \ge \omega(G)$
- $\circ \ \chi(G) \ge \frac{|G|}{\alpha(G)}$
- $\circ \ \chi(G) \le \Delta(G) + 1$ (greedy coloring)
- G connected, not complete, no odd cycles  $\Rightarrow \chi(G) \leq \Delta(G)$

#### Perfect graph

- **Definition**:  $\forall H \subseteq G : \chi(H) = \omega(H)$
- Perfect complement: G is perfect  $\Leftrightarrow \overline{G}$  is perfect
- Perfect graph conjecture: G is perfect  $\Leftrightarrow$  $C_{2k+1} \not\subseteq G$  for  $k \ge 2 \land \overline{C_{2k+1}} \not\subseteq G$

#### **Posets**

- ${\bf Definition}$ : antisymmetric, reflexive, transitive relation on X(write  $x \le y$  instead of (x, y))
- Incidence poset of G: poset whose cover diagram is represented by IG with vertices all below the edges
- Poset dimension:  $\dim(R)$  = smallest  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ : R is intersection of k total orders
- Poset dimension in planar graphs: G planar  $\Leftrightarrow \dim(\text{incidence poset}) \leq 3$

### **List-colorings**

- L-list-colorable: if  $\exists \ c: V \to \mathbb{N} \ \forall v \in V: c(v) \in L(v)$ (for *list of colors*  $L(v) \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  for each vertex, adjacent vertices receive different colors)
- **k-list-colorable/-choosable**: if G is L-list-colorable for each list L
- List chromatic number:  $\chi_l(G) = \operatorname{ch}(G)$
- $= \min \left\{ k : G \text{ is } L\text{-colorable } \forall L : V \to 2^{\mathbb{N}} : |L(v)| = k \forall v \in V(G) \right\}$
- $\chi_l(G) \ge \chi(G)$  because we can choose  $L(v) = \{1, \dots, k\}$   $(\forall v \in V(G))$ o often  $\chi_l(G) \gg \chi(G)$  (see  $K_{m,n}$ :  $\chi = 2$ ,  $\chi_l \approx \log n$ )
- Planar graphs:  $\chi_l(G) \leq 5$
- Locally planar graphs:  $\chi_l(G) \leq 5$