

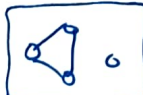

Let us recall some of the theorems/conjectures :

- ① There are infinitely many primes.
- ② There are infinitely many twin primes. ↖ TWIN PRIME CONJECTURE
- ③ Every even positive integer, greater than 2, is the sum of two primes.
- ④ Let  $G$  be a graph. If each vertex has degree 2 or more then  $G$  has a cycle.

A proposition is a statement that is either TRUE or FALSE (but NOT both).

Each ~~of~~ of these is either TRUE or FALSE (BUT NOT BOTH).

Examples of Propositions:

- ① 17 is a prime. T
- ② 24 is a prime. F
- ③ 19 is NOT a prime. F
- ④ 19 is a prime. T
- ⑤ 17 & 19 are twin primes. T
- ⑥ 19 & 21 are twin primes. F
- ⑦ Each vertex of  has degree 2 or more. F
- ⑧  has a cycle. T

→ For example:  
the Twin Prime Conjecture is either TRUE or FALSE.

However, humans have NOT (yet!) figured out whether it is TRUE or FALSE.

Let us consider the following proposition:

(Let  $G$  be a graph.)

If  $G$  is Eulerian AND connected

then either each vertex of  $G$  has even degree  
or  $G$  has precisely two vertices of odd degree.

Let us "dissect" the above proposition:

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(break into smaller propositions to understand better)

$G$  is Eulerian AND  $G$  is connected

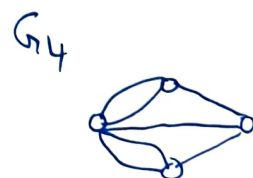
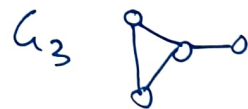
Each vertex of  $G$  has even degree

OR

$G$  has precisely two vertices of odd degree

Let us apply these to specific graphs and get some propositions:

$G_1$  (triangle) <sup>T</sup> is Eulerian.  $G_1$  (triangle) <sup>T</sup> is connected.  
 $G_2$  (triangle + isolated vertex) <sub>T</sub> is Eulerian.  $G_2$  (triangle + isolated vertex) <sup>F</sup> is connected.



Let us combine these using AND:

$G_1$  (triangle) is Eulerian AND  $G_1$  is connected. <sup>T</sup>

$G_2$  (triangle + isolated vertex) is Eulerian AND  $G_2$  is connected. <sup>F</sup>

Using AND ( $\wedge$ ) to combine propositions:

$P, Q$ : Propositions

$P \wedge Q$  (read:  $P$  AND  $Q$ ) is TRUE  
whenever  $P$  is TRUE &  $Q$  is TRUE;  
otherwise  $P \wedge Q$  is FALSE.

↓  
This can be represented briefly  
using a "truth table":

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$P$	$Q$	$P \wedge Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	F

Observe that  
 $\wedge$  (symbol for AND)  
is "similar" to

$\cap$  (symbol for intersection  
of 2 sets).

This is NOT a coincidence..


DIY: Define intersection  
of two sets  $S$  &  $T$   
using  $\wedge$ .

all 4 possibilities  
for  $P$  &  $Q$

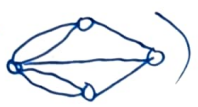
result of  
 $P \wedge Q$  in  
each of the  
4 possibilities



Let us do the same exercise for OR:


$G_3$  () has precisely two vertices of odd degree. **T**


Each vertex of  $G_3$  has even degree. **F**

$G_4$  () has precisely two vertices of odd degree. **F**

Each vertex of  $G_4$  has even degree. **F**

Let us combine these using OR:

$G_3$  () has precisely two vertices of odd degree OR each vertex of  $G_3$  has even degree. **T**

$G_4$  () has precisely two vertices of odd degree OR each vertex of  $G_4$  has even degree. **F**

Using OR ( $\vee$ ) to combine propositions:

$P, Q$  : Propositions

$P \vee Q$  (read:  $P$  OR  $Q$ ) is TRUE

whenever at least one of  $P$  &  $Q$  is TRUE;

otherwise  $P \vee Q$  is FALSE.

DIY: Define ~~and~~ <sup>(SUT)</sup> union of two sets  $S$  &  $T$  using  $\vee$ .

P	Q	$P \vee Q$
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

all 4 possibilities for  $P, Q$

result of  $P \vee Q$  in each case