

# The Note of Graph Theory

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摘要

I hate definition!

## 1 definition

simple graph:

- a non-empty finite set  $V(G)$  of elements **vertices**
- a finite set  $E(G)$  of distinct unordered pairs of distinct elements **edges**
- at most **one edge** joining a given pair of vertices

general graph:

- multiple edges
- loops

graph

- a non-empty finite set  $V(G)$  of elements **vertices**
- a finite family  $E(G)$  of distinct unordered pairs of not necessarily distinct elements **edges**

- the use of **family** permits the existence of multiple edge
- vertex-set edge-family

$\{v, w\}$  is said to join the vertices  $v$ ,  $w$  and is again abbreviated to  $vw$ .

Example :  $vv$

### isomorphism

- one-one correspondence between the vertices of  $G_1$  and those of  $G_2$  such that the number of edges joining any two vertices of  $G_1$  equals the number of edges joining the corresponding vertices of  $G_2$
- the **unlabelled graphs** and **labelled graphs** is different

### connected graphs

- A graph is connected if it cannot be expressed as a union of graphs and disconnected otherwise.

### Adjacency and degrees (邻接)

- the  $v, w$  is **adjacency** if there is an edge  $vw$  joining them. and  $v, w$  are incident with such edge
- degree of a vertex is the number of edges incident with itself.
- A vertex of degree 0 is an isolated vertex
- A vertex of degree 1 is an end vertex

The **degree sequence** of a graph consists of degrees written in **increasing order**

**Handshaking lemma** In any graph the sum of all the vertex-degrees is an even number.

**Corollary** In any graph the number of vertices of odd degree is even.

### Subgraphs

- A graph is a **subgraph** of graph  $G$  if each of its vertices belongs to  $V(G)$  and each of its edges belongs to  $E(G)$
- we can obtain subgraphs by deleting edges and vertices.
- $G - F$

By the way,  $G \setminus e$  is the subgraph of  $G$  obtained by deleting the edge  $e$  and  $G \setminus v$  is the subgraph of  $G$  obtained by deleting the vertex  $v$  and all edges incident with it.

### The complement of a simple graph

- **complement**  $\overline{G}$  is the simple graph with the same vertex-set as  $G$  and with two vertices adjacent in  $\overline{G}$  if and only if they are not adjacent in  $G$ .

### Matrix representation of graphs

There are two matrix representations of graphs, the **adjacency matrix** and the **incidence matrix**.

- **adjacency matrix**  $A(G)$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix whose  $(i, j)$ -entry is 1 if  $v_i$  is adjacent to  $v_j$  and is 0 otherwise.
- **incidence matrix**  $B(G)$  is the  $n \times m$  matrix whose  $(i, j)$ -entry is 1 if  $v_i$  is incident with  $e_j$  and is 0 otherwise.

## 1.1 Examples

### 1.1.1 Null graphs

A graph whose edge-set is empty is called a **null graph** and is denoted by  $N_n$  or simply  $N$  if the number of vertices is clear from the context.

### 1.1.2 Complete graphs

A graph with  $n$  vertices in which each pair of distinct vertices is joined by an edge is called a **complete graph** and is denoted by  $K_n$  or simply  $K$  if the number of vertices is clear from the context. You can check that  $K_n$  has  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$  edges.

### 1.1.3 Cycle graphs, path graphs and wheels

A **connected graph** in which each vertex has degree 2 is called a **cycle graph** and is denoted by  $C_n$  or simply  $C$  if the number of vertices is clear from the context. You can check that  $C_n$  has  $n$  vertices and  $n$  edges.

A graph obtained from  $C_n$  by removing an edge is the **path graph**  $P_n$  or simply  $P$  if the number of vertices is clear from the context.

The graph obtained from  $C_{n-1}$  by joining each vertex to a new vertex  $v$  is the *wheel*, denoted by  $W_n$  or simply  $W$  if the number of vertices is clear from the context.

### 1.1.4 Regular graphs

A graph is **regular** if each of its vertices has the same degree. If each vertex has degree  $r$ , the graph is said to be  **$r$ -regular**. A **complete graph** is  $r$ -regular for  $r = n - 1$ . Note that **cubic graphs** are 3-regular graphs, and **null graphs** are 0-regular graphs.

### 1.1.5 Platonic graphs

A **Platonic graph** is a **regular** graph with the property that the number of vertices

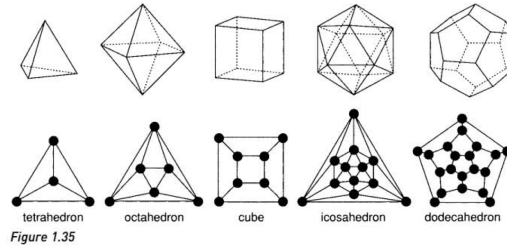


图 1: Platonic graphs

### 1.1.6 Bipartite graphs

If the vertex-set of  $G$  can be split into two disjoint sets  $X$  and  $Y$  such that each edge of  $G$  joins a vertex in  $X$  to a vertex in  $Y$ , then  $G$  is said to be **bipartite**.

A **complete bipartite graph** is a bipartite graph in which every vertex in  $X$  is adjacent to every vertex in  $Y$  and is denoted by  $K_{X,Y}$ .

## 1.2 Cubes

The **cube**  $Q_n$  is the graph whose vertices are the  $2^n$  binary strings of length  $n$ .

# 2 Paths and cycles

## 2.1 Connectivity

### Walks

- A **walk** in a graph  $G$  is a sequence of vertices  $v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n$  such that  $v_i v_{i+1}$  is an edge of  $G$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ .
- We call  $v_0$  the **initial vertex** and  $v_n$  the **terminal vertex** of the walk.
- A **length** of a walk is the number of edges in it.
- A **closed walk** is a walk in which  $v_0 = v_n$ .

- A **trail** is a walk in which all **edges** are distinct.
- A **path** is a trail in which all **vertices** are distinct.
- A **cycle** is a closed trail in which all vertices are distinct except for  $v_0 = v_n$ .
  - A **triangle** is a cycle of length 3.

A graph  $G$  is bipartite if and only if every cycle of  $G$  has even length.