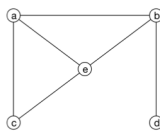


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 subgraph; path; connected (node pair); connected (graph); connected component; tree  
 子图 通路 点连通 图连通 连通分支 树  
 (极大连通子图)

## Lecture 18: Graphs 1 (Structure and Relations)-- ANSWERS

- A **graph** <sup>(1)</sup> is a pair of sets  $(V, E)$ . <sup>(2) 节点</sup>
- The elements of the set  $V$  are called **vertices** or **nodes**.
- The elements of the set  $E$  are called **edges** <sup>(3) 边</sup>.
  - Every edge is a **set** of 2 vertices.



$V = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$   
 $E = \{\{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, e\}, \{b, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{e, d\}\}$

two vertices of an edge: its **endpoints** (端点)

$K_n$ : the **complete graph** on  $n$  vertices



$C_n$ : the **cycle** on  $n$  vertices



$Q_n$ : "Hypercubes"



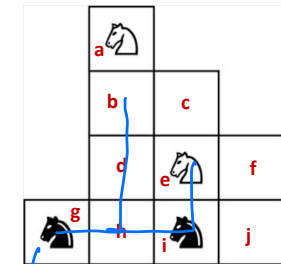
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## Knight Swap Puzzle

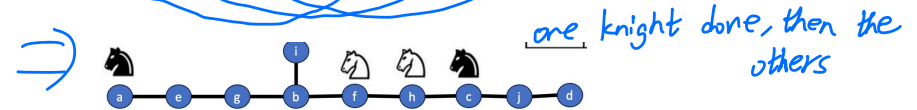
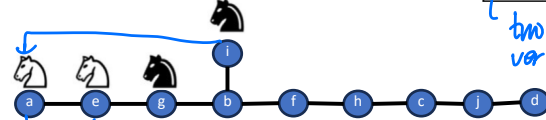
- Goal:** Move the knights around the restricted chessboard to swap the positions of the black and white knights

- Knights move in an L-shape
- Must end move inside the board
- No two knights may occupy the same square

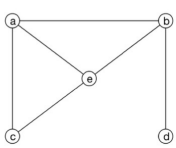
- Draw the **graph** for this problem below:



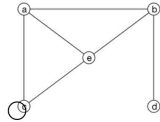
two neighbouring vertices of  $g$ :  $b, e$



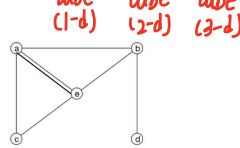
one knight done, then the others



Graph



Not a graph due to "edge"  $\{c, c\}$   
 (but it is a "graph with self-loops," a broader object that we won't talk about)

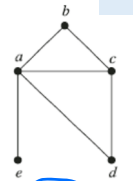


Not a graph due to two edges  $\{a, e\}$   
 (but it is a "multigraph," a broader object that we won't talk about)

What is not a graph? (but in a broader sense is)

## Node degrees

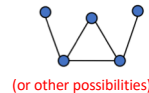
The **degree** of a node  $v$  in a graph  $G = (V, E)$  is the number of **edges** that contain  $v$ .



$\deg(a) = 4$   
 $\deg(b) = 2$   
 $\deg(c) = 3$   
 $\deg(d) = 2$   
 $\deg(e) = 1$

Draw a graph with 5 vertices whose degrees are 1,1,2,3,3.

Draw a graph with 5 vertices whose degrees are 1,1,2,3,4.



Impossible: Sum of degrees is odd, which violates handshake theorem

**Handshake Theorem:** In a graph  $G = (V, E)$ ,

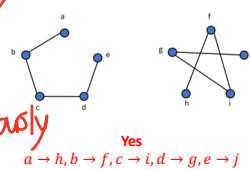
$$\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v) = 2|E|$$

one edge exist  $\Rightarrow$  two vertices + 1 degree  
 every edge  $\{u, v\} \in E$  contributes 1 to  $\deg(u)$   
 and 1 to  $\deg(v)$ .

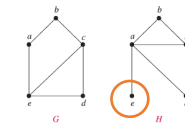
## How to Prove/Disprove Isomorphism

Two graphs  $G, H$  are **isomorphic** if we can **relabel** the vertices of  $G$  to make it **equal** to  $H$ .

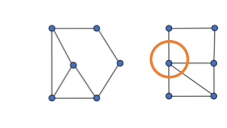
Which of these pairs of graphs are isomorphic? How do you know?



Yes  
 $a \rightarrow h, b \rightarrow f, c \rightarrow i, d \rightarrow g, e \rightarrow j$



No  
 $H$  has a degree 1 node,  $G$  does not



No  
 $H$  has a degree 4 node,  $G$  does not

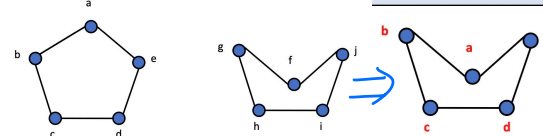
**Prove** two graphs are isomorphic by giving the bijection between vertices (i.e., give the relabeling)

**Disprove** two graphs are isomorphic by naming an **invariant** for one of the graphs that is violated in the other graph.

**Invariant** = a property that is preserved under isomorphism (e.g., has a degree 1 node, or has a 5-cycle)

## Formally:

An **isomorphism** from  $G = (V_G, E_G)$  to  $H = (V_H, E_H)$  is a bijection  $f: V_G \rightarrow V_H$ , where  $\{u, v\} \in E_G \leftrightarrow \{f(u), f(v)\} \in E_H$ .  
 Graphs  $G, H$  are **isomorphic** if an isomorphism exists.




how to prove?  
 • All vertices in a  $K_4$  has degree 3,  
 •  $\therefore$  Any vertex with degree  $\leq 2$  cannot participate in a  $K_4$  subgraph


**Subgraphs**

(12)  $H = (V_H, E_H)$  is a **subgraph** of  $G = (V_G, E_G)$  if  
 $V_H \subseteq V_G$  and  $E_H \subseteq E_G$ .


In graph  $G$  on the right, find all instances (if any) of each as a subgraph:



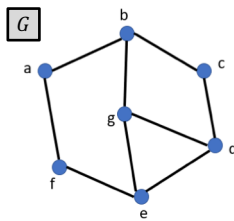
$C_4$   
b, c, d, g



$C_5$   
a, b, g, e, f  
b, c, d, e, g

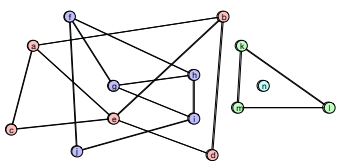


$K_4$   
none



**Paths and Connectivity**

- (13) A **path** in a graph is a **contiguous sequence** of nodes and edges.
- (14) A path is **simple** if it does not repeat nodes.
- (15) The **endpoints** of a path are its **first** and **last** node (as an ordered pair).
- (16) Two nodes  $s, t$  in a graph are **connected** if there exists a path with endpoints  $(s, t)$ .
- (17) A graph is **connected** if all pairs of nodes are connected.
- (18) The **connected components** of a graph  $G$  are its **maximal connected subgraphs**.



How many connected components does this graph have? **4**

\* (16): one-node path is valid! ex. of (f,f) are connected.

**Trees**

- (19) A **tree** is a graph that is **connected** and that does not have a **cycle subgraph**.
- A tree is a graph that has **exactly one** simple path between each pair of vertices.

**Theorem:** These two definitions of trees are **equivalent**.

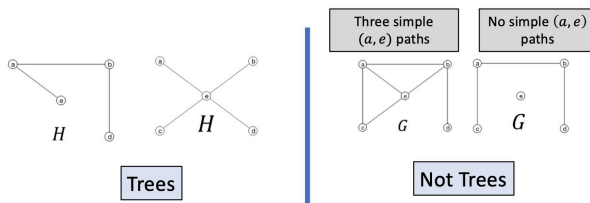
Assume that  $G$  is connected and has no cycle subgraph. Let  $(s, t)$  be an arbitrary node pair.  $G$  has at **least one** simple  $(s, t)$  path because:  
 $G$  is connected

$G$  has at **most one** simple  $(s, t)$  path because:  
 Two simple  $(s, t)$  paths  $\rightarrow$  cycle subgraph exists

(Contrapositive): Assume that  $G$  is **not** connected or has a cycle subgraph.

**Case 1:  $G$  is not connected**  
 There is a pair  $(s, t)$  with **zero** simple  $(s, t)$  paths because:  
 Otherwise,  $G$  would be connected.

**Case 2:  $G$  has a cycle subgraph**  
 There is a pair  $(s, t)$  with **two (or more)** simple  $(s, t)$  paths because:  
 Let  $s, t$  be nodes on the cycle.  
 Either direction around the cycle gives a simple  $(s, t)$  path.



## Edges in a Tree

(21) **Theorem:** Any tree  $T$  on  $n$  nodes has exactly  **$n-1$  edges**.

**Proof:** We will use **induction** on the number of nodes.

**Base Case:**  $n=1$ . A tree with 1 node has 0 edges.

**Inductive Step (Sketch):**

**Claim:**  $T$  should have some node  $v$  of **degree 1** (this called a "leaf")

Hint: If all nodes had degree  $\geq 2$ , there would be a cycle. Why?

Consider the graph  $T' = T - \{v\}$  (i.e.  $v$  and incident edge removed).  $T'$  has fewer nodes.

- 1) Is it still **connected**? Why? (recall  $v$  is a leaf)
- 2) Can it have **cycles**? Why? (deleting vertices and edges cannot create a cycle)

By inductive hypothesis,  $T'$  has  $n-2$  edges (as it has  $n-1$  nodes). So  $T$  has  $n-1$  edges.

⑧ degree: ex

**Claim:** There is no graph with 5 vertices of degrees 1,1,2,3,4.

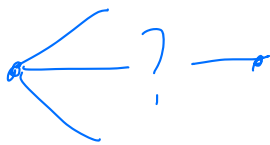
**Proof:**

- By the handshake theorem, the sum of degrees in any graph  $G = (V, E)$  is  $2|E|$ , which is **even**.
- But the sum of these degrees is  $1 + 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 = 11$ , which is **odd**.
- So no graph with these degrees may exist.

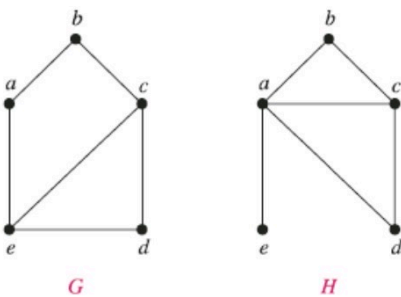
The condition “Sum of all degrees is even” is **necessary** for a graph to exist, but it is **not sufficient**.

E.g. graphs with these degree sequence cannot exist (even though sum of degrees is even)

1. (3,1)
2. (3,2,1,0)
3. (4,3,1,1,1)

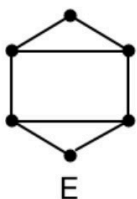


⑩ isomorphism: ex

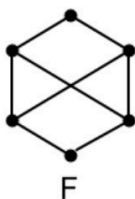


- $H$  has a node of degree 1, but  $G$  does not.
- Therefore  $G, H$  are not isomorphic.

2°



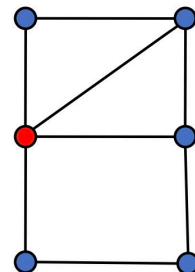
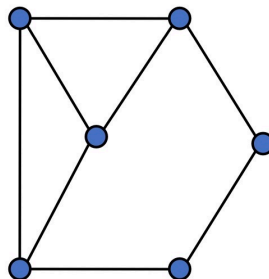
Has 1 4-cycle



Has more than 1 4-cycle

All vertices have degree  $\leq 3$

3°



Has a degree 4 node

# (19) Tree Supplement

## Bonus: Steiner Tree Puzzle

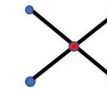
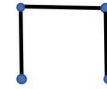
Given 4 cities at corners of a square (say distance 1)

Find the shortest way to **connect them all**

**Direct Edges.** Best we can do is 3.

**Better Solution:** Put a node at center

**Length** =  $2\sqrt{2} = 2.828\dots$  (Pythagoras)



Can we do better?

Perhaps have two intermediate nodes?

**Yes!**

**Cost** =  $1 + \sqrt{3} = 2.732\dots$

(trigonometry)



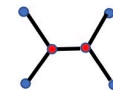
All internal angles 120 degrees

Can we do even better?

Perhaps with three or more intermediate nodes?

Can we do even better with  $\geq 3$  intermediate (red) nodes?

These red nodes are called **Steiner nodes**.



All internal angles 120 degrees  
Cost = 2.732...

**Theorem:** Three or more Steiner nodes **do not help!**

**Proof:** Some starting observations.

- 1) Can assume graph is a **tree**. Why?
- 2) Each Steiner node has degree  $\geq 3$ . Why?

Suppose the optimal solution uses **k Steiner nodes**.

By 1)  $k+4$  nodes and it's a tree, we have  $|E| = k+3$  edges.

By 2) Sum of degrees  $\geq 4 + 3k$

So, By handshake thm,  $2|E| = 2(k+3) \geq 4 + 3k$ . Rearranging gives  $k \leq 2$ .