Havel-Hakimi Theorem and Algorithm

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Degree sequence

Monotonic non-decreasing sequence of the vertex degrees of given undirected graph.

Graphical sequence

Sequence of numbers which can be degree sequence of some graph

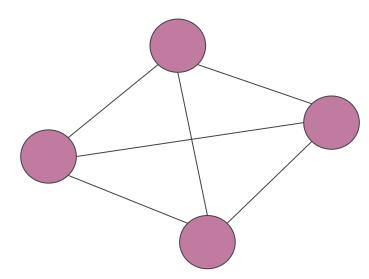
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★ Given a finite sequence of natural numbers, the problem asks whether there is a labeled simple graph such that the sequence is the degree sequence of this graph.

Graph realization



Determine whether following graphical?

1. 6 6 5 5 4 3 2 No. why?

- ★ Sum of the degrees is odd.
- ★ Cannot be odd for any graph
- ★ Handshake lemma

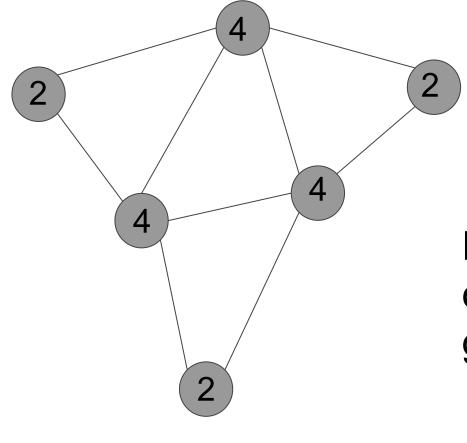
Determine whether following graphical?

- 2. 7 6 6 5 4 3 3
- ★ Sum of degrees is even

 Still no! Why?
- ★ Maximum degree cannot be greater than length of sequence.

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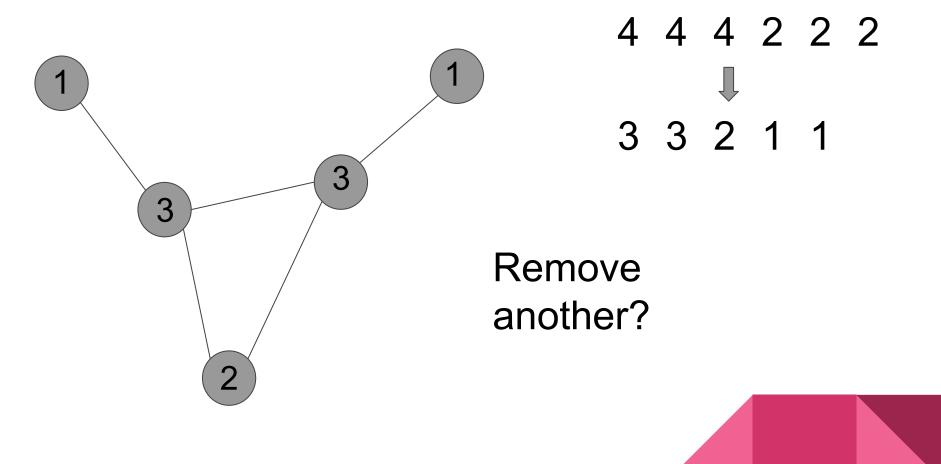
- 3. 8 7 6 6 5 3 2 2 2 1
- ★ Sum of sequence is even
- ★ Maximum digit is less than length of sequence.
- ★ Can it be graphical?

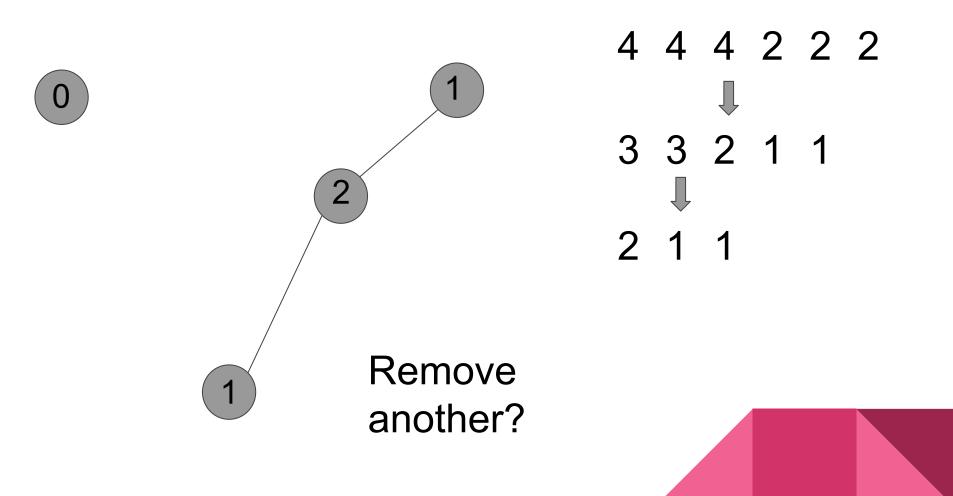


Degree sequence: 4 4 4 2 2 2

Remove the highest degree vertex from the graph?

Let's consider the graph





4 4 4 2 2 2 3 3 2 1 1 2 1 1

Consider the non-increasing sequence, $S_1 = (d_1, d_2, d_3, ..., d_n)$ of nonnegative integers, where $n \ge 2$ and $d_1 \ge 1$. Then S_1 is graphical if and only if the sequence

$$S_2 = (d_2 - 1, d_3 - 1, \dots, d_k - 1, d_{k+1} - 1, d_{k+2}, \dots, d_{n-1}, d_n)$$
 is graphical. Where $k = d_1$

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 is graphical

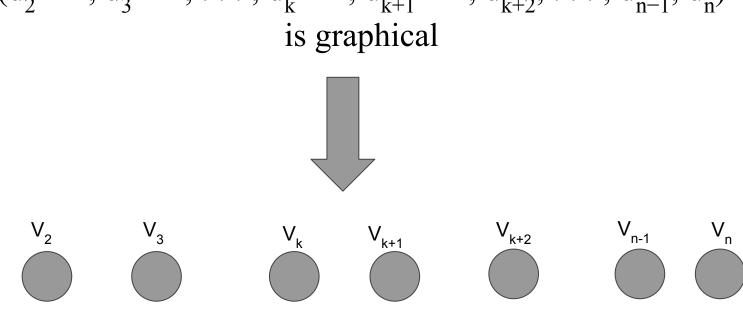


 $(d_1, d_2, d_3, ..., d_n)$ is graphical

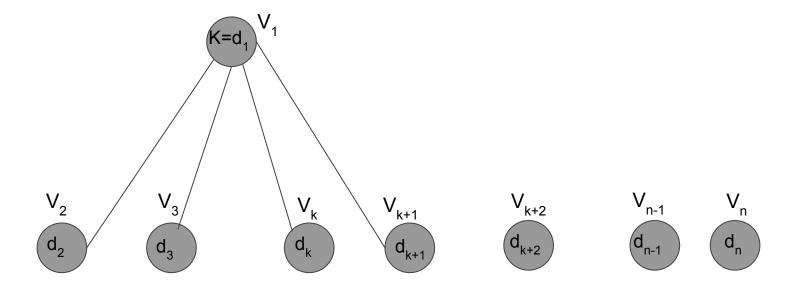
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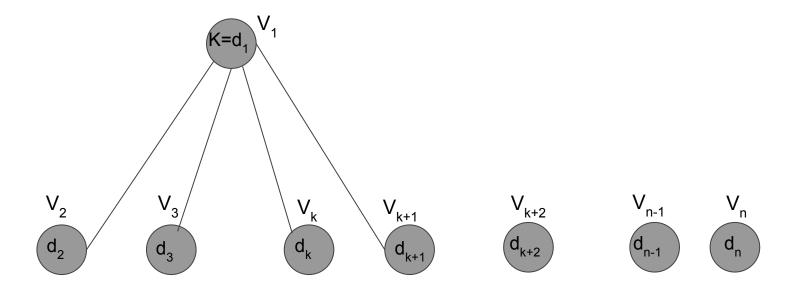
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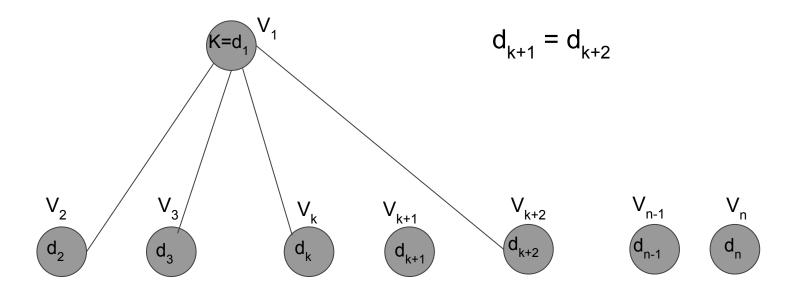
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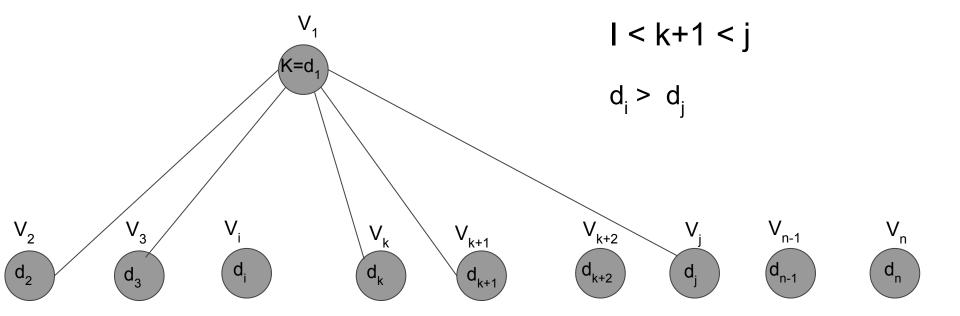
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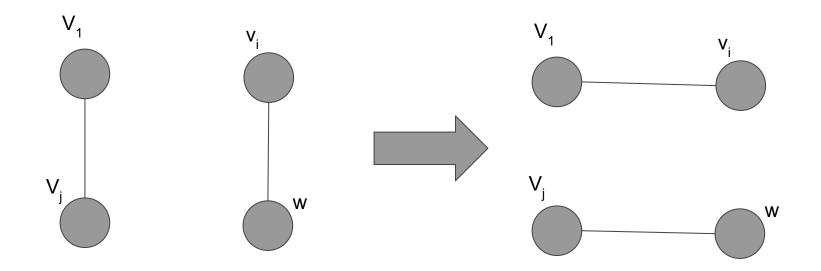
Case 1 Consider the necessary condition



Case 2 Consider the necessary condition



Case 3: Consider the necessary condition



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Determine whether following is graphical?

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8 7 6 6 5 3 2 2 1 is graphical iff
6 5 5 4 2 1 1 1 1 is graphical iff
4 4 3 1 1 is graphical iff
3 2 1 is graphical iff
1 1 -1
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Obviously 1 1 -1 is not graphical. Hence none of the above is graphical.

Application of havel-Hakimi theorem

Determine whether following is graphical?

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4 4 4 3 3 2 is graphical iff
3 3 2 2 is graphical iff
2 1 1 2 is graphical iff
2 2 1 1 is graphical iff
1 0 1 is graphical iff
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Obviously 1 1 0 is graphical. Hence everything above is graphical.

Application of havel-Hakimi theorem

Let us define some variables.

Let the sequence as q

S = sum of numbers in given sequence

If S is odd then Return false While true do If min(q) < 0 then Return false If max(q) = 0 then Return true If max(S) > length(S) - 1 then Return false $Q \leftarrow (d_2 - 1, d_3 - 1, d_{d1+1} - 1, d_{d1+2}, \dots, d_{length(q)})$ Sort q in non increasing order

Havel - Hakimi algorithm

- 1. This condition comes from the handshake lemma which was discussed in RC1. No graph can not contain the sum of degree as an even number.
- 2. Obviously a graph can not contain a negative number of degree.
- 3. If the of that sequence is 0 because of the non increasing property and considering above conditions all members of that sequence should be zero. Hence by havel hakim theorem that will be graphical.
- 4. For a simple graph since it does not have multiple edges max(Q) should be less than or equal to K.

Here k = number of members in given sequence - 1

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Thank you

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