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TUTORIAL-2 GRAPH THEORY

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3.6) Show that in a tree, diameter is not necessarily equal to twice its radius. Under what conditions does this hold?

① Eccentricity of the centre of a tree is defined as the radius of the tree.

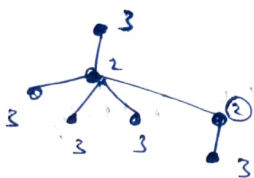
② Diameter is defined as the length of the longest path in tree.

This is an example tree, where radius and diameter both are equal to 1.

Radius (max dist. from vertex to other) is 1
Diameter (max dist b/w 2 vertices) is 1



③ Tree \rightarrow Radius is the
 \hookrightarrow Diameter is 5 (6-1), since 6 vertices are there, each can



Radius is 2
Diameter is 3

If the graph is disconnected \Rightarrow Radius is infinity

If u, v are vertices of G such that $d(u, v)$ is Diam of G ,
 w be central vertex $\rightarrow e(w) = \text{rad } G$.

\Rightarrow No vertex is at distance greater than $\text{rad } G$ from w .

Thus, $d(u, w) + d(v, w) \leq 2 \text{ rad } G$. Also by triangle inequality

$d(u, v) \leq d(u, w) + d(v, w) \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{rad } G \leq \text{diam } G \leq 2 \text{ rad } G}$

\therefore This proves that Diam is not always equal to twice the radius.



3.13) Prove that a pendant edge in a connected graph G is contained in every spanning tree of G .

Proof:

First, we need to prove that, edge e of connected graph will be a bridge, iff e belongs to every spanning tree of G .

we can prove by contraposition,

Suppose that e does not belong to every spanning tree of G .
Let T be a spanning tree that does not contain e .

Then T is a spanning subgraph of $G-e$.

u and $v \rightarrow$ vertices of $G-e$, then there is a unique $u-v$ path in T . This is also $u-v$ path in $G-e$. $\therefore G-e$ is connected.

If e is not bridge, $G-e$ is connected, $G-e$ has spanning tree T .
 $\therefore V(T) = V(G-e)$, T is spanning tree of G , spanning tree without e .

~~we~~ By contraposition, we say e is definitely a part of spanning tree T .

\therefore If we ~~disconnected~~ remove e from graph, the graph is disconnected.

By corollary,
 \therefore We say that, a pendant edge is always in the spanning tree of G .

3.15) Nullity of a complete graph of n vertices.

Nullity will be no of Chords in the graph

Nullity of a complete graph:

By definition, we know, every complete graph is a connected graph.

Nullity is given by, $e - n + k$,

if $k=1 \Rightarrow$ It is connected.

e - no of edges in G
 k - no of components
 n - no of vertices

Nullity of a complete graph is $e - n + 1$

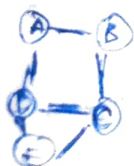
3.16) Show that a Hamiltonian path is a spanning tree.

A Hamiltonian circuit in a graph G , is a closed path that traverses every vertex in G exactly once.

Hamiltonian path - each vertex traversed. Thus, all vertices of G is contained in Hamiltonian path. (ie) any vertex not traversed twice. Thus, graph with no cycle.

✓ Spanning tree \rightarrow Graph with no cycle. ✓

\therefore we arrive at a conclusion that Hamiltonian path is a spanning tree.



ABCD E \rightarrow Hamiltonian Graph

✓ Spanning Tree \rightarrow Possible ABCDE

4.5) what is the edge connectivity of the complete graph of n vertices?

Edge connectivity is the minimum size of disconnecting set, and is denoted as $k'(G)$.

complete graphs \rightarrow edge connectivity is $n-1$.

we can prove by induction,

- ⊗ connected graph with single vertex \rightarrow 0 or more edges
- ⊗ Hypothesis, holds good for $< n$.

we remove edges until we no longer have a connected graph, but 2 smaller connected graphs.

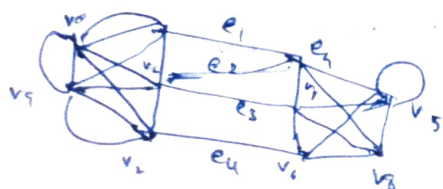
say, 1st first one has k vertices, so other has $(n-k)$ vertices.

\therefore atleast $(k-1)$ and $(n-k-1)$ edges, for total of $(n-2)$.

we had to remove atleast one edge to disconnect the graph, \therefore minimum $\rightarrow (n-1)$.

edge connectivity of complete graph is $n-1$.

4.23) Graph with Edge, con. = 4, ver. con = 3 and degree of each ≥ 5 .



vertex connectivity is 3

edge connectivity is 4.

$\therefore \{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$ is a set of edges whose removal disconnects the graph.

Q.6) Prove that complement of a cutset does not contain a spanning tree, and prove that the complement of a spanning tree does not contain a cut-set.

Proof:

If possible, suppose that a cut-set is contained in the complement of a spanning tree.

Work, cutset and any spanning tree must have at least one edge in common. This common edge must belong to the complement of spanning tree.

Thus, this edge belongs to the spanning tree and also its complement. This is a contradiction.

Hence, the complement of a spanning tree does not contain a cut-set.

Similarly, we can say complement of cutset does not contain a spanning tree, by interchanging cut set & spanning tree

In above proof, since, cutset & spanning tree must have one edge in common.

3.17) Prove that any circuit in a graph G , must have at least one edge in common with the chord set.

Proof:

We know that, chord set is the complement of a spanning tree.

suppose, on the contrary, that a circuit has no common edge with the complement of a spanning tree. [set of all chords of a tree is called complement of tree].

now, this would mean that circuit is wholly contained in the spanning tree. This contradicts the fact that the tree is acyclic. Hence, our assumption is wrong.

Hence, a circuit, has at least one edge in common with complement of a spanning tree.

3.20) Show that distance between two spanning trees as defined is a metric.

Let G be a connected graph and T_1 and T_2 be 2 spanning trees. No of edges in G in one of trees is not in other is called distance b/w T_1 and T_2 .

(i) If u, v are 2 vertices of a connected graph, then,

$$d(u, v) \geq 0 \text{ and } d(u, v) = 0 \text{ iff } u = v.$$

$$d(u, v) = d(v, u)$$

$$d(u, v) \leq d(u, w) + d(w, v)$$

From the relation, we need to prove, distance in a graph is a metric.

Dist b/w trees T_1, T_2 is $d(T_1, T_2)$

for any tree, $d(T, T) = 0$, as long as all costs are positive,

(i) then for any ~~$T_1 \neq T_2$~~ ~~$d(T_1, T_2) > 0$~~

$T_1 \neq T_2$, $d(T_1, T_2) > 0$. \therefore non-negativity is satisfied

(ii) As long as cost of removing a vertex is same as cost of adding a vertex, for any

T_1, T_2 , $d(T_1, T_2) = d(T_2, T_1)$. \therefore symmetry is satisfied

(iii) for any 3 trees, say T_1, T_2, T_3 ,

$d(T_1, T_3) \leq d(T_1, T_2) + d(T_2, T_3)$.
 [\therefore triangle equality is satisfied]
 because one could edit T_1 to T_3 by first editing it to T_2

All the above criteria define a metric,
 Thus $d(T_1, T_2)$ is a metric

Elaborating (iii),

~~$d(T_1, T_3) = d(T_1, T_2) + d(T_2, T_3)$~~

4.12) Prove that a non-separable graph has nullity 1 if graph is circuit.

No separation nodes \Rightarrow Non-separable.

Nullity is $e - n + k$

Nullity is no of chords

① Circuit \rightarrow Path start and end with same point

[Spanning Tree's complement, chord \rightarrow same edges]

② We will say the graph is non-separable if it forms a circuit, if they have atleast 2 common vertices.

[No 2 graphs G_1, G_2 each containing atleast one arc, which form G if a vertex of one is made to coalesce with other.]

w.k.f, a forest G is a graph of nullity 0.

$\therefore G$ has circuit. Suppose G_1 contained other arc beside, remove one of these, the nullity remains 1, as circuit is still present, contrary to the assumption.

There are no vertices in G , as G contains no isolated vertices. Hence G is a circuit, with nullity 1.

4.19) Graph with n vertices & vertex connectivity k must have atleast $kn/2$ edges.

If m is no of edges in a graph with vertex connectivity k .

$$\delta(G) \leq 3m/n$$

$$k \leq \delta(G) \leq \frac{2m}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{m \geq kn/2}$$

[inequality relating connectivity, edge conn, & min degree]

[By Whitney's inequality]

[w.k.t $k \neq \lambda(G) < \delta(G) \leq \deg x_i$
deleting neighbour of x_i disconnect G_i , so $\boxed{k(G) \leq k = \lambda(G)}$]

4.8)

Prove that in a non-separable graph G , set of edges incident on each vertex G is a cut-set.

w.k.t,

there must be no separation nodes in non-separable graphs,

we assume that,

set of edges incident on vertex v_1, v_2, \dots is not a cut-set.

By definition, cut-set is minimal set of edges in a connected graph, whose removal reduces the rank of graph by one.

By our assumption,

\therefore ~~the~~ edges does not destroy the paths b/w 2 set of vertices. \therefore thus we can say our assumption is wrong.

\therefore removal of edge in that graph, will break the graph, thus,

Non-separable graph G , has a set of edges incident on vertex G is a cut-set.