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Theorem 24.1 If T is a spanning tree of G and $e \in E(G) \setminus E(T)$ then $T + e$ has a unique cycle c . Moreover for every $e' \in E(C) \setminus \{e\}$, $T' := (T + e) - e'$ is a spanning tree

Notation : $T + e = (V(T), E(T) \cup \{e\})$

Proof: Let $e = xy$ and Let P be a unique xy -path in T .

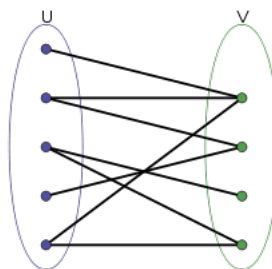
As every cycle in $T + e$ contains e . $C = P + e$ is the unique cycle in $T + e$

Let $e' \in E(P) \subseteq E(C)$. As e' is not a bridge in $T + e$. Then $T' = (T + e) - e'$ is connected

$$|E(T')| = |E(T)| = |V(T)| - 1 = |V(T')| - 1$$

By previous theorem, T' is a tree and $|V(T')| = |V(T)| = |V(G)|$. So it is a spanning tree ■

24.1 Characterizing Bipartite Graphs



G is bipartite $\iff V(G)$ can be coloured using 2 colours so that no 2 adjacent vertices have the same color

Observations

- A graph that contains a cycle of odd length (odd cycle) as a sub graph is **not bipartite**.
- Trees are bipartite

Theorem 24.2 A graph is bipartite if and only if it has no odd cycles as a sub-graph

Proof:

→ Use previous observations

← Suppose G has no odd cycles. Assume that G is connect (or we treat components separately).
Let T be a spanning tree of G and Let $A \cup V = V(T)$ be a bipartition of T .

We claim that $A \cup B$ is also a bipartition of G . Suppose not, then there exists $e = uv \in E(G) \setminus E(T)$ where u and v both belong to A or B .

Let $u, v \in A$ and Let P be the uv -path in T .

Length(P) is even because $u, v \in A \implies p + e$ is an odd cycle. **Contradiction**

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24.2 Breadth-First Search Trees (BFS)

Definition 24.3 A queue is an ordered list

$$Q : q_1, q_2, q_3, \dots, q_n$$

where every new element added to Q is added at the end. The first element in Q is the **active element**

BFS Algorithm

Input: Graph G and $r \in V(G)$

Output: Spanning Tree T or that G is not connected

Process:

1. Initialization
 $T = (\{r\}, \phi)$ r = vertices and ϕ = edges
 $P : V(G) \rightarrow V(G) \cup \{null\}$
 $P(v) \rightarrow null$
 $Q = r$

2. Operations

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1 While Q != phi
2   Let u be the active vertex in Q
3   While u has a neighbour not in V(T)
4     Add v and uv to T
5     Let P(v) = u
6     Add v to Q
7   Remove u from Q

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3. Output (T, P)