

# Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science

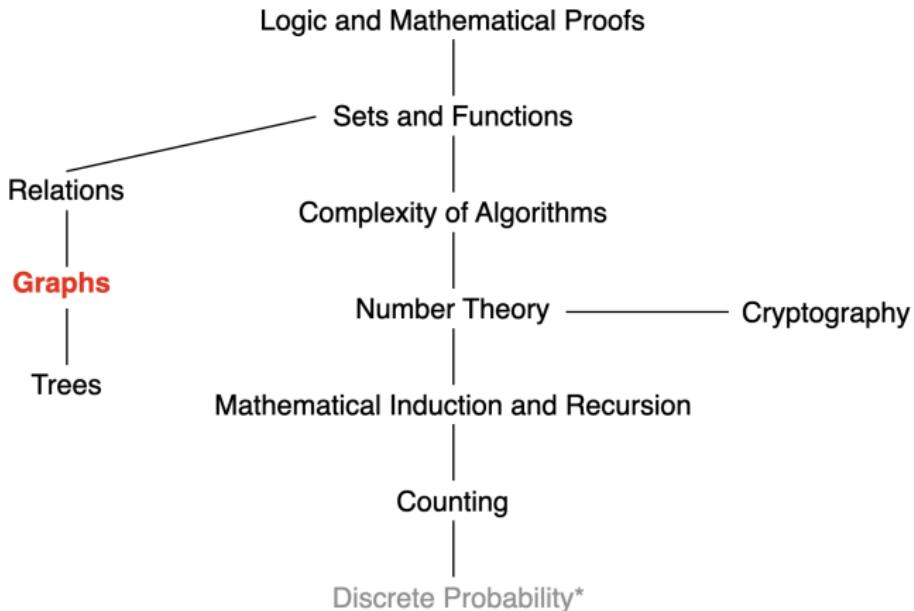
## Lecture 19: Graph

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# This Lecture



Graph and terminologies, representing graphs and graph isomorphism,  
**connectivity**, Euler and Hamilton path, ...



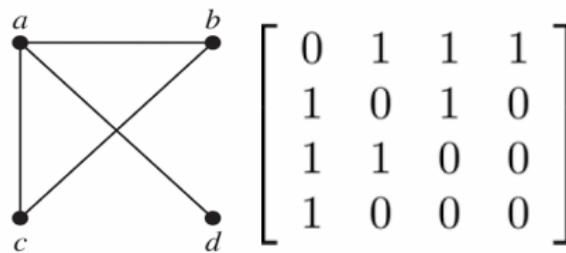
# Adjacency Matrices

**Definition:** Suppose that  $G = (V, E)$  is a **simple graph** with  $|V| = n$ .

Arbitrarily list the vertices of  $G$  as  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ . The adjacency matrix  $\mathbf{A}_G$  of  $G$ , is the  $n \times n$  zero-one matrix with  $1$  as its  $(i, j)$ -th entry when  $v_i$  and  $v_j$  are **adjacent**, and  $0$  as its  $(i, j)$ -th entry when they are not adjacent.

$$\mathbf{A}_G = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}, \text{ where}$$

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \{v_i, v_j\} \text{ is an edge of } G, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



Directed graph?

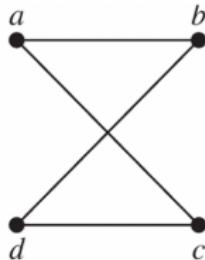
# Counting Paths between Vertices

**Theorem:** Let  $G$  be a graph with adjacency matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  with respect to the ordering  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  of vertices. The number of different paths of length  $r$  from  $v_i$  to  $v_j$ , where  $r$  is a positive integer, equals the  $(i, j)$ -th entry of  $\mathbf{A}^r$ .

Note: with directed or undirected edges, multiple edges and loops allowed

## Counting Paths between Vertices:

How many paths of length 4 are there from  $a$  to  $d$  in the graph  $G$ ?



$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A}^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 8 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & 8 & 0 \\ 8 & 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $a, b, a, b, d;$        $a, b, a, c, d;$        $a, b, d, b, d;$        $a, b, d, c, d;$   
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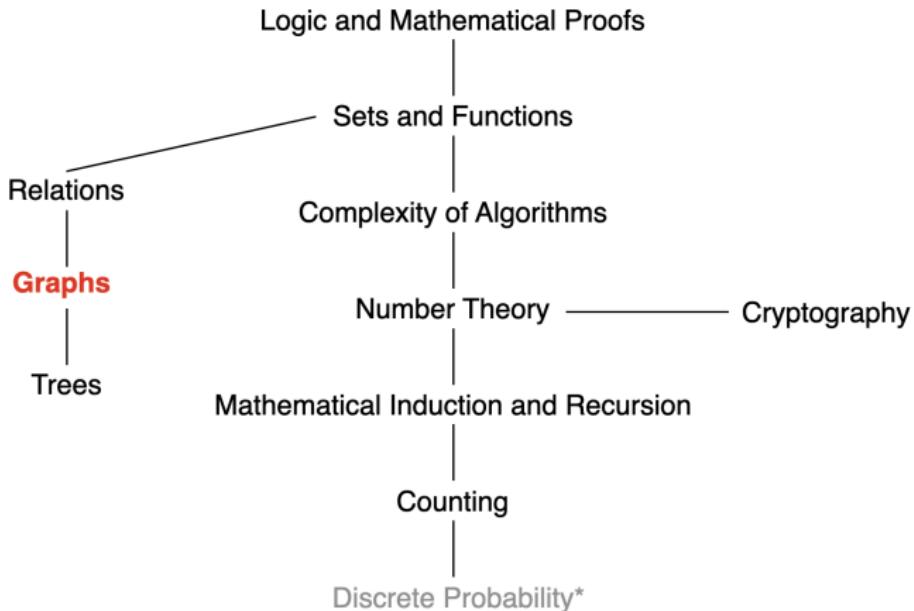
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**Proof (by induction):**

- **Basic Step:** The number of paths from  $v_i$  to  $v_j$  of length 1 is the  $(i, j)$ -th entry of  $\mathbf{A}$ .
- **Inductive hypothesis:** Assume that the  $(i, j)$ -th entry of  $\mathbf{A}^r$  is the number of different paths of length  $r$  from  $v_i$  to  $v_j$ .
- **Inductive Step:**  $\mathbf{A}^{r+1} = \mathbf{A}^r \mathbf{A}$ . The  $(i, j)$ -th entry of  $\mathbf{A}^{r+1}$  equals
$$b_{i1}a_{1j} + b_{i2}a_{2j} + \cdots + b_{ik}a_{kj} + \cdots + b_{in}a_{nj}.$$
  - ▶  $b_{ik}$ : the  $(i, k)$ -th entry of  $\mathbf{A}^r$ . By the inductive hypothesis,  $b_{ik}$  is the number of paths of length  $r$  from  $v_i$  to  $v_k$ ;
  - ▶  $a_{kj}$ : the  $(k, j)$ -th entry of  $\mathbf{A}$ ; the number of path from  $k$  to  $j$  with length 1;
  - ▶  $b_{ik}a_{kj}$ : the number of paths from  $i$  to  $j$  with  $k$  as the interior point of length  $r + 1$ .

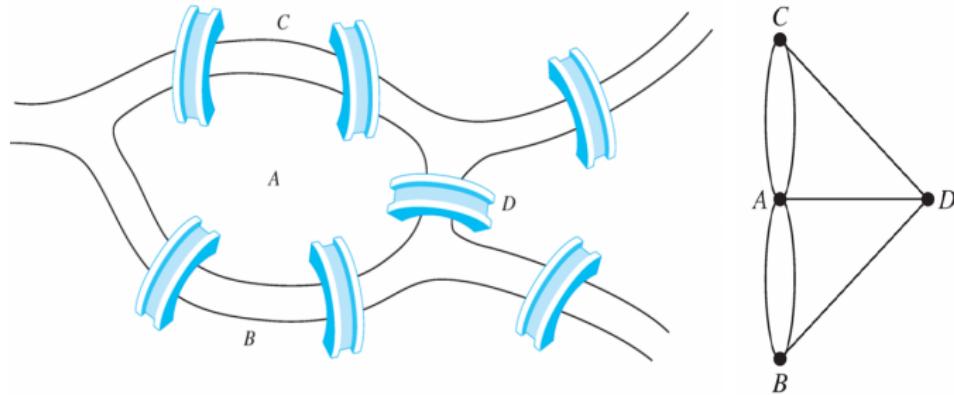
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# Euler Paths

**Königsberg seven-bridge problem:** People wondered whether it was possible to start at some location in the town, travel across **all the bridges once** without crossing any bridge twice, and **return to the starting point**.

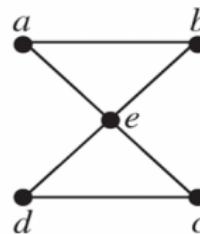


# Euler Paths and Circuits

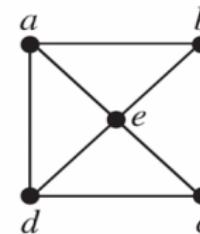
**Definition:** An **Euler circuit** in a graph  $G$  is a **simple circuit** containing every edge of  $G$ . An Euler path in  $G$  is a simple path containing every edge of  $G$ .

Recall that a path or circuit is **simple** if it does not contain the same edge more than once.

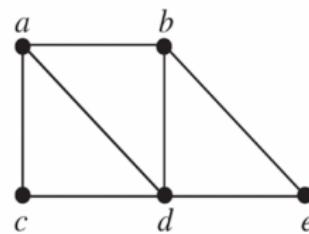
**Example:** Which of the undirected graphs have an Euler circuit? Of those that do not, which have an Euler path?



$G_1$



$G_2$



$G_3$

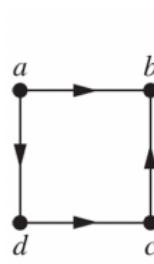
$G_1$ : an Euler circuit, e.g.,  $a, e, c, d, e, b, a$ ;

$G_2$ : neither;  $G_3$ : an Euler path, e.g.,  $a, c, d, e, b, d, a, b$

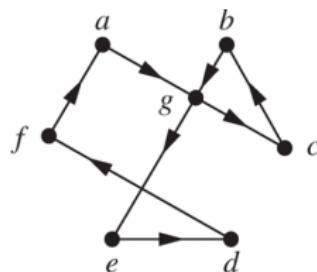
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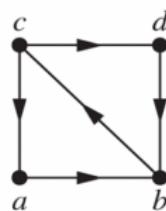
**Example:** Which of the directed graphs have an Euler circuit? Of those that do not, which have an Euler path?



$H_1$



$H_2$



$H_3$

$H_1$ : neither;  $H_2$ : an Euler circuit, e.g., a, g, c, b, g, e, d, f, a;  $H_3$ : an Euler path, e.g., c, a, b, c, d, b

# Necessary Conditions for Euler Circuits and Paths

Consider **undirected graph**:

**Euler Circuit**  $\Rightarrow$  The degree of every vertex must be **even**

- Each time the circuit passes through a vertex, it contributes two to the vertex's degree.
- The circuit starts with a vertex  $a$  and ends at  $a$ , then contributes two to  $\deg(a)$ .

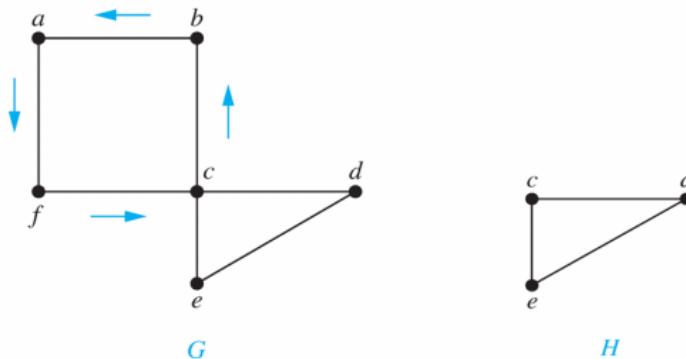
**Euler Path**  $\Rightarrow$  The graph has **exactly two** vertices of **odd degree**

- The initial vertex and the final vertex of an Euler path have odd degree.

Are these conditions also sufficient?

# Sufficient Conditions for Euler Circuits and Paths

$G$  is a connected multigraph with  $\geq 2$  vertices, all of even degree.



We will form a simple circuit that begins at an arbitrary vertex  $a$  of  $G$ , building it edge by edge.

The path **begins** at  $a$ , and it must **terminate** at  $a$ . This is because every time we enter a vertex other than  $a$ , we can leave it.

An Euler circuit has been constructed if all the edges have been used.

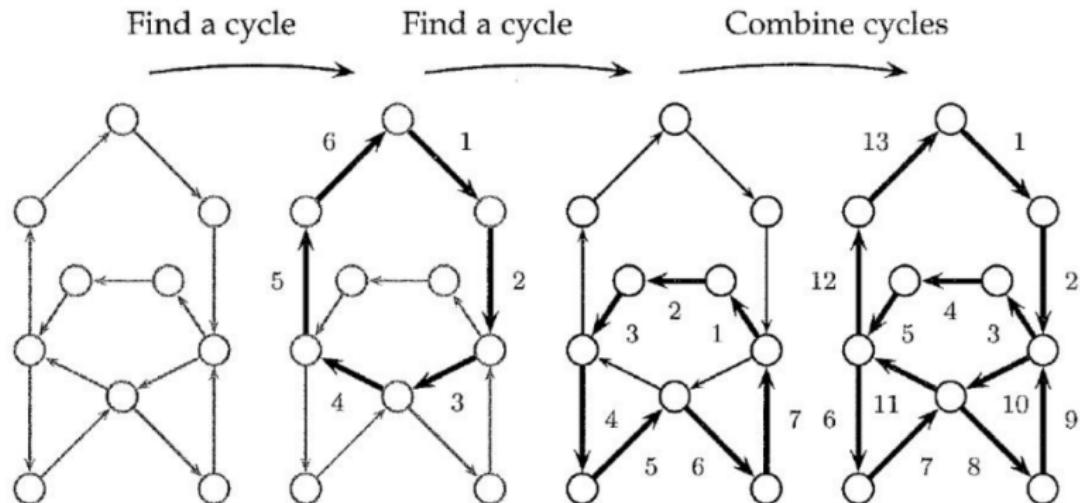
Otherwise, consider the subgraph  $H$  obtained from  $G$  by **deleting the edges** already used. Every vertex in  $H$  has even degree ...

# Algorithm for Constructing an Euler Circuit

## ALGORITHM 1 Constructing Euler Circuits.

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procedure Euler( $G$ : connected multigraph with all vertices of even degree)  
  circuit := a circuit in  $G$  beginning at an arbitrarily chosen vertex with edges successively added to form a path that returns to this vertex  
   $H := G$  with the edges of this circuit removed  
  while  $H$  has edges  
    subcircuit := a circuit in  $H$  beginning at a vertex in  $H$  that also is an endpoint of an edge of circuit  
     $H := H$  with edges of subcircuit and all isolated vertices removed  
    circuit := circuit with subcircuit inserted at the appropriate vertex  
  return circuit {circuit is an Euler circuit}
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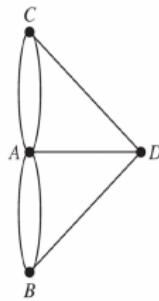
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# Euler Circuits and Paths

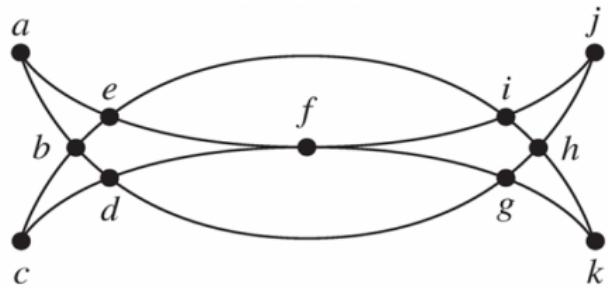
**Theorem:** A connected multigraph with at least two vertices has an Euler circuit if and only if each of its vertices has even degree.

**Theorem:** A connected multigraph has an Euler path but not an Euler circuit if and only if it has exactly two vertices of odd degree.



No Euler circuit, no Euler path

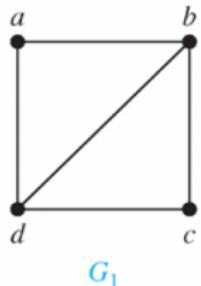
## Euler Circuits and Paths: Example



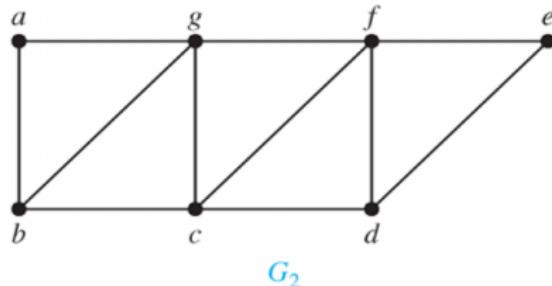
It has such a circuit because all its vertices have even degree.  
We will use the algorithm to construct an Euler circuit:

- Form the circuit  $a, b, d, c, b, e, i, f, e, a$ ;
- Obtain the subgraph  $H$  by deleting the edges in this circuit and all vertices that become isolated;
- Form the circuit  $d, g, h, j, i, h, k, g, f, d$  in  $H$ ;
- Splice this new circuit into the first circuit at the appropriate place produces the Euler circuit  
 $a, b, d, g, h, j, i, h, k, g, f, d, c, b, e, i, f, e, a$ .

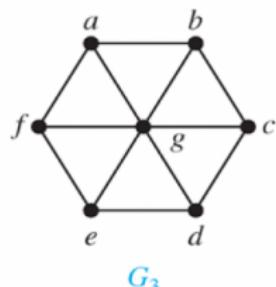
## Euler Circuits and Paths: Example



$G_1$



$G_2$



$G_3$

- $G_1$  contains exactly two vertices of odd degree, namely,  $b$  and  $d$ . Hence, it has an **Euler path** that must have  $b$  and  $d$  as its endpoints.
- $G_2$  has exactly two vertices of odd degree, namely,  $b$  and  $d$ . So it has an **Euler path** that must have  $b$  and  $d$  as endpoints.
- $G_3$  has **no Euler path** because it has six vertices of odd degree.

# Applications of Euler Paths and Circuits

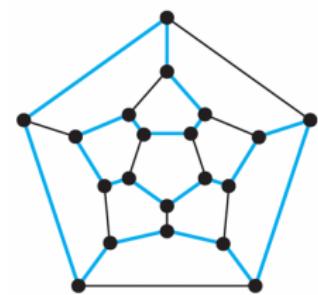
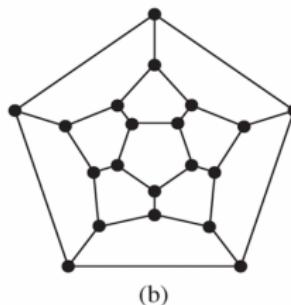
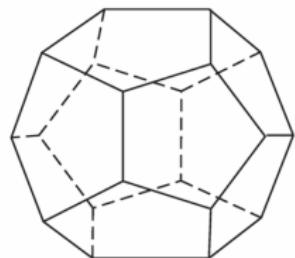
Finding a path or circuit that traverses each

- street in a neighborhood
- road in a transportation network
- link in a communication network
- ...

# Hamilton Paths and Circuits

Euler paths and circuits contained every edge only once.

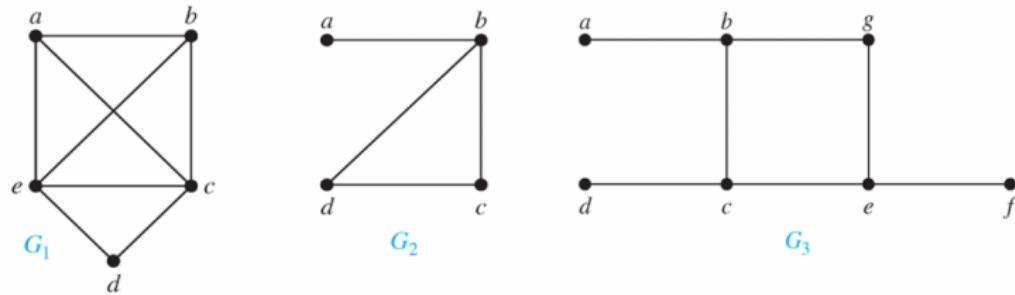
What about containing **every vertex** exactly once?



# Hamilton Paths and Circuits

**Definition:** A simple path in a graph  $G$  that passes through **every vertex** exactly once is called a **Hamilton path**, and a simple circuit in a graph  $G$  that passes through every vertex exactly once is called a **Hamilton circuit**.

**Example:** Which of these simple graphs has a Hamilton circuit or, if not, a Hamilton path?



- $G_1$  has a Hamilton circuit:  $a, b, c, d, e, a$ ;
- $G_2$  has no Hamilton circuit (because containing every vertex must contain the edge  $a, b$  twice), but it has a Hamilton path;
- $G_3$  has neither, because any path containing all vertices must contain one of the edges  $\{a, b\}$ ,  $\{e, f\}$ , and  $\{c, d\}$  more than once.

# Sufficient Conditions for Hamilton Circuits

No known simple necessary and sufficient conditions are known for the existence of a Hamilton circuit.

But, there are some useful **sufficient conditions**.

**Dirac's Theorem:** If  $G$  is a simple graph with  $n \geq 3$  vertices such that the degree of every vertex in  $G$  is  $\geq n/2$ , then  $G$  has a Hamilton circuit.

**Ore's Theorem:** If  $G$  is a simple graph with  $n \geq 3$  vertices such that  $\deg(u) + \deg(v) \geq n$  for every pair of nonadjacent vertices, then  $G$  has a Hamilton circuit.

**Example:** Show that  $K_n$  has a Hamilton circuit whenever  $n \geq 3$ .

Hamilton path problem  $\in$  NP-Complete

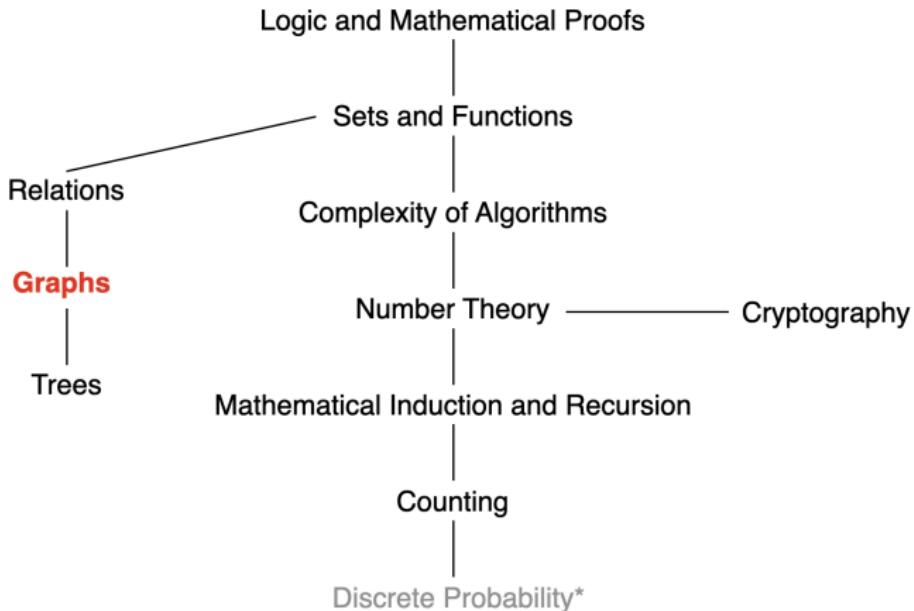
# Applications of Hamilton Paths and Circuits

A path or a circuit that visits each city, or each node in a communication network **exactly once**, can be solved by finding a **Hamilton path**.

**Traveling Salesperson Problem (TSP)** asks for the **shortest route** a traveling salesperson should take to visit a set of cities.

the decision version of the TSP  $\in$  NP-Complete

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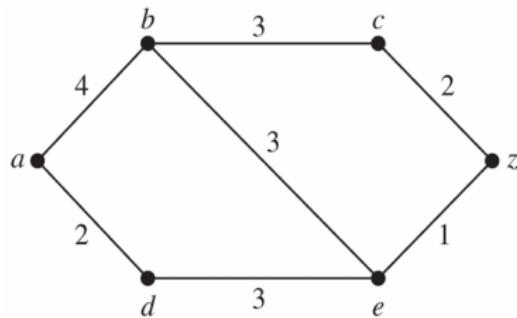


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# Shortest Path Problems

Using graphs with **weights** assigned to their **edges**

Such graphs are called weighted graphs and can model lots of questions involving distance, time consuming, fares, etc.



What is the length of a shortest path between  $a$  and  $z$ ?

# Dijkstra's Algorithm

$S$ : a distinguished set of vertices;

$L(v)$ : the length of a shortest path from  $a$  to  $v$  that contains only the vertices in  $S$  as the interior vertices.

(i) Set  $L(a) = 0$  and  $L(v) = \infty$  for all  $v$ ,  $S = \emptyset$

(ii) While  $z \notin S$

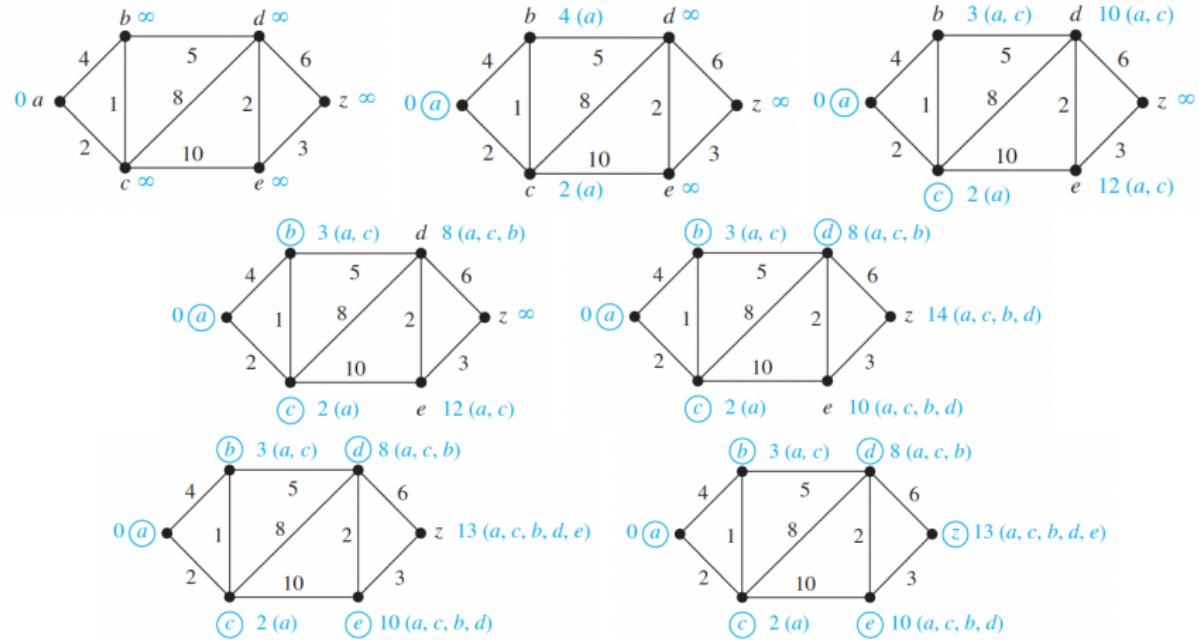
$u :=$  a vertex not in  $S$  with  $L(u)$  minimal

$S := S \cup \{u\}$

For all vertices  $v$  not in  $S$

$L(v) := \min\{L(u) + w(u, v), L(v)\}$

# Dijkstra's Algorithm



$$S = \emptyset$$

$$L(a) = 0, L(b) = \infty, L(c) = \infty, L(d) = \infty, L(e) = \infty, L(z) = \infty$$

$$S = \{a\}$$

$$L(a) = 0, L(b) = 4, L(c) = 2, L(d) = \infty, L(e) = \infty, L(z) = \infty$$

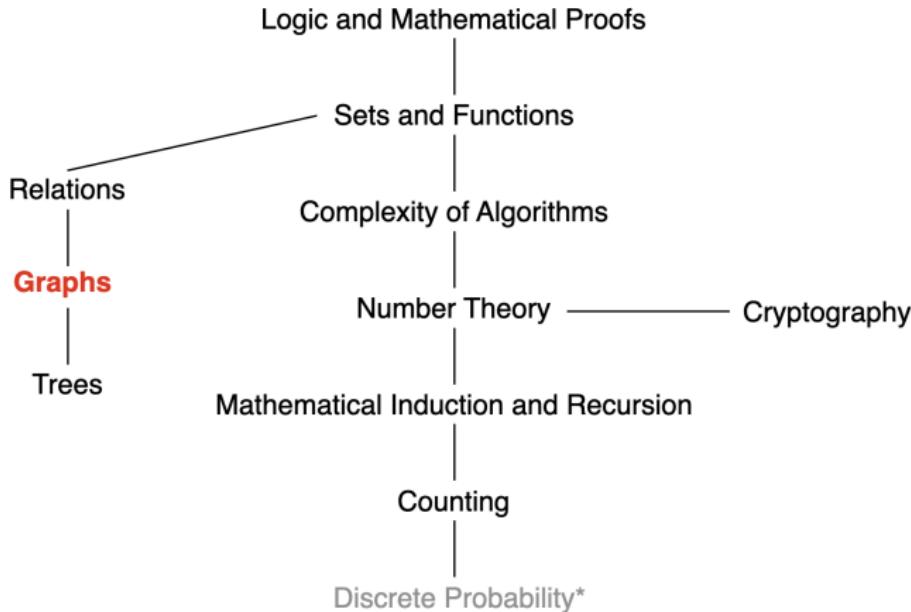
# Dijkstra's Algorithm

Dijkstra's algorithm is a heuristic algorithm, but ...

**Theorem:** Dijkstra's algorithm finds the length of a shortest path between two vertices in a connected simple undirected weighted graph.

**Proof by induction ...** (P713 on textbook)

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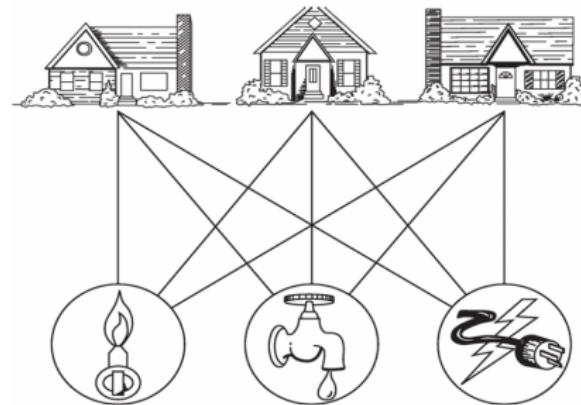


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# Planar Graphs

Join three houses to each of three separate utilities.

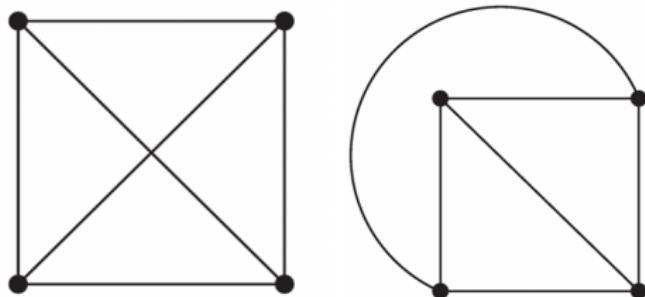


Can this graph be drawn in the plane such that **no two of its edges cross**?  
Complete bipartite graph  $K_{3,3}$

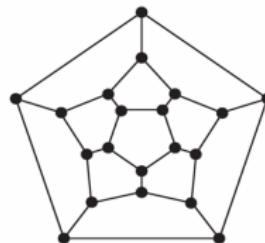
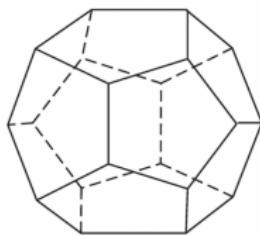
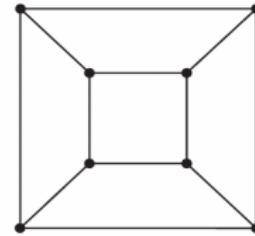
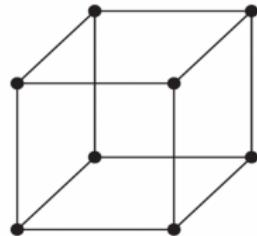
# Planar Graphs

**Definition:** A graph is called **planar** if it can be drawn in the **plane** without any **edges crossing**. Such a drawing is called a **planar representation** of the graph.

**Example:** Is  $K_4$  planar?



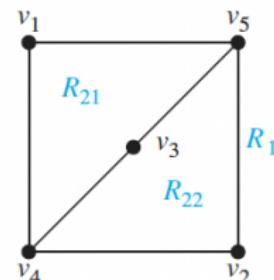
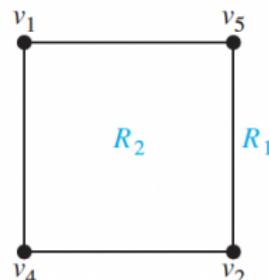
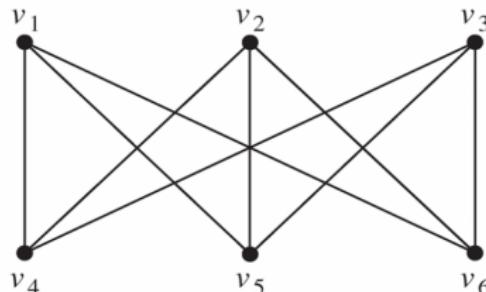
## Planar Graphs: Example



- We can show that a graph is planar by displaying a planar representation.
- It is harder to show that a graph is nonplanar.

# Planar Graphs: Example

Is  $K_{3,3}$  planar?

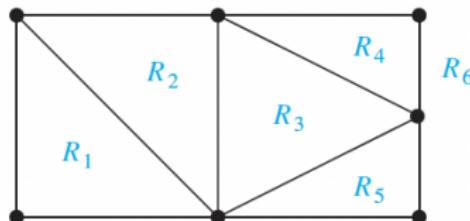


Any attempt to draw  $K_{3,3}$  in the plane with no edges crossing is doomed.

- In any planar representation of  $K_{3,3}$ , the vertices  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  must be connected to both  $v_4$  and  $v_5$ .
- These four edges form a closed curve that splits the plane into two regions,  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ .
- The vertex  $v_3$  is in either  $R_1$  or  $R_2$ . Suppose  $v_3$  is in  $R_2$ , there is no way to place the final vertex  $v_6$  without forcing a crossing. ....

# Euler's Formula

A planar representation of a graph splits the plane into **regions**, including an unbounded region.



**Theorem (Euler's Formula):** Let  $G$  be a connected planar simple graph with  $e$  edges and  $v$  vertices. Let  $r$  be the number of regions in a planar representation of  $G$ . Then,  $r = e - v + 2$ .

# Euler's Formula

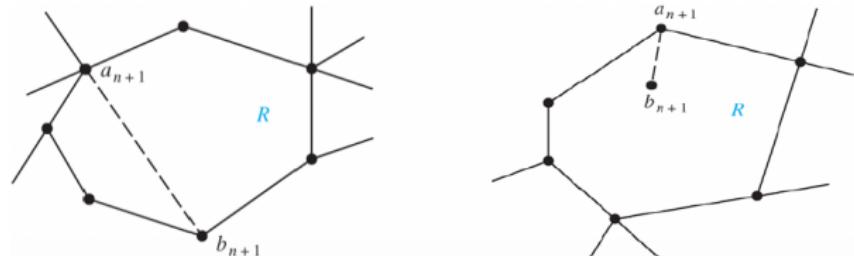
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**Proof (by induction):** We will prove the theorem by successively adding an edge at each stage.

- Basic Step:  $r_1 = e_1 - v_1 + 2$

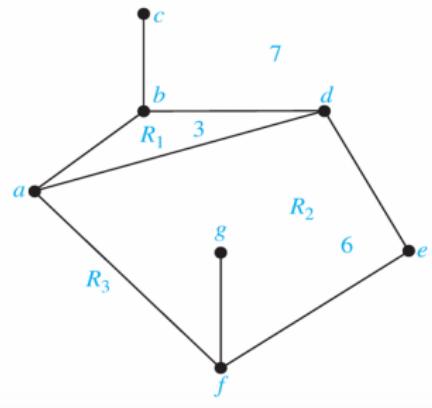


- Inductive Hypothesis:  $r_k = e_k - v_k + 2$
- Inductive step: Let  $\{a_{k+1}, b_{k+1}\}$  be the edge that is added to  $G_k$  to obtain  $G_{k+1}$ .



# The Degree of Regions

**Definition:** The degree of a region is defined to be the number of edges on the boundary of this region. When an edge occurs twice on the boundary, it contributes two to the degree.



# Corollaries

**Corollary 1:** If  $G$  is a connected planar simple graph with  $e$  edges and  $v$  vertices, where  $v \geq 3$ , then  $e \leq 3v - 6$ .

**Proof:** The degree of every region is at least 3.

- $G$  is simple
- $v \geq 3$

The sum of the degrees of the regions is exactly twice the number of edges in the graph:

$$2e = \sum_{\text{all regions } R} \deg(R) \geq 3r$$

Hence,  $(2/3)e \geq r$ . By Euler's formula (i.e.,  $r = e - v + 2$ ),  $e \leq 3v - 6$ .

## Corollaries

**Corollary 2:** If  $G$  is a connected planar simple graph, then  $G$  has a vertex of degree not exceeding 5.

**Proof (by Contradiction):**

If  $G$  has one or two vertices, the result is true.

If  $G$  has at least three vertices, by Corollary 1,  $e \leq 3v - 6$ , so  $2e \leq 6v - 12$ .

- If the degree of every vertex were at least six, then we would have  $2e = \sum_{v \in V} \deg(v) \geq 6v$  (by handshaking theorem).
- This contradicts the inequality  $2e \leq 6v - 12$ .

It follows that there must be a vertex with degree no greater than five.

**Corollary 3:** In a connected planar simple graph has  $e$  edges and  $v$  vertices with  $v \geq 3$  and no circuits of length three, then  $e \leq 2v - 4$ .

## Examples

Show that  $K_5$  is nonplanar.

$v = 5$  and  $e = 10$ .

Using Corollary 1: If  $G$  is a connected planar simple graph with  $e$  edges and  $v$  vertices, where  $v \geq 3$ , then  $e \leq 3v - 6$ .

Show that  $K_{3,3}$  is nonplanar.

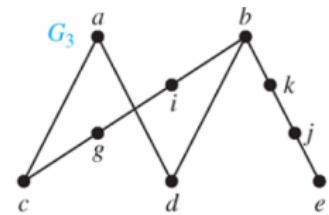
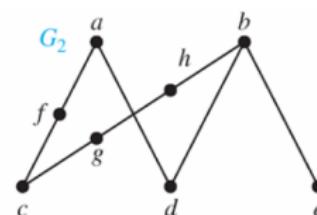
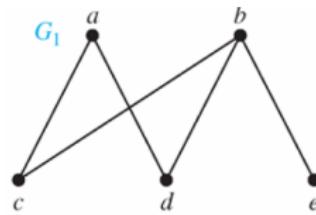
$v = 6$  and  $e = 9$ .

Using Corollary 3: In a connected planar simple graph has  $e$  edges and  $v$  vertices with  $v \geq 3$  and no circuits of length three, then  $e \leq 2v - 4$ .

# Kuratowski's Theorem

If a graph is planar, **so will be any graph** obtained by removing an edge  $\{u, v\}$  and adding a new vertex  $w$  together with edges  $\{u, w\}$  and  $\{w, v\}$ . Such an operation is called an **elementary subdivision**.

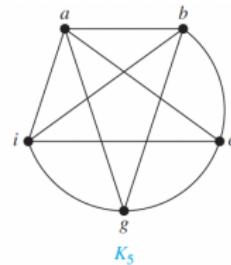
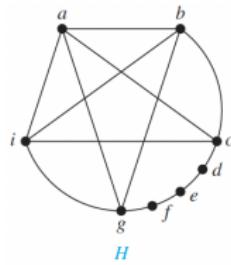
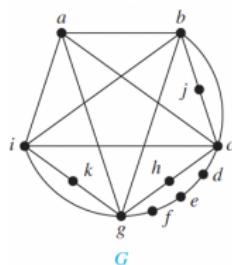
The graphs  $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$  and  $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$  are called **homeomorphic** if they can be obtained from the same graph by a sequence of elementary subdivisions.



# Kuratowski's Theorem

**Theorem:** A graph is **nonplanar** if and only if it contains a **subgraph homomorphic** to  $K_{3,3}$  or  $K_5$ .

**Example:**

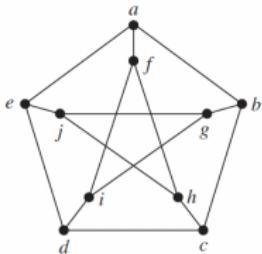


$G$  has a subgraph  $H$  homeomorphic to  $K_5$ .

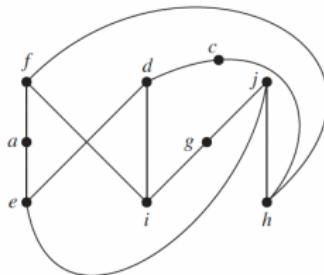
- $H$  is obtained by deleting  $h$ ,  $j$ , and  $k$  and all edges incident with these vertices.
- $H$  is homeomorphic to  $K_5$  because it can be obtained from  $K_5$  by a sequence of elementary subdivisions.

Hence,  $G$  is nonplanar.

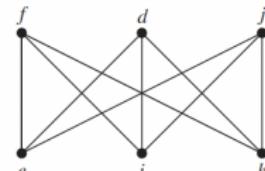
# Kuratowski's Theorem: Example



(a)



(b)  $H$



(c)  $K_{3,3}$

$G$  has a subgraph  $H$  homeomorphic to  $K_{3,3}$ .

- The subgraph  $H$  of the Petersen graph obtained by deleting  $b$  and the three edges that have  $b$  as an endpoint,
- $H$  is homeomorphic to  $K_{3,3}$ , with vertex sets  $\{f, d, j\}$  and  $\{e, i, h\}$ , because it can be obtained by a sequence of elementary subdivisions.

Hence,  $G$  is nonplanar.