

# CPSC 202 PSET 9

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## A.9.1: Quadrangle Closure

1. Show that every graph  $G$  has a unique quadrangle closure.

a. Define  $n$  s.t. there are  $n$  paths with 4 vertices:

$a_{00}a_{01}a_{02}a_{03} \rightarrow \text{add } a_{03}a_{00}$

$a_{10}a_{11}a_{12}a_{13} \rightarrow \text{add } a_{13}a_{10}$

...

$a_{n0}a_{n1}a_{n2}a_{n3} \rightarrow \text{add } a_{n3}a_{n0}$

b. Let's define  $H$ :  $H = G \cup a_{01}, a_{02} \cup a_{11}, a_{12} \cup \dots \cup a_{n0}, a_{n3}$

c. Proof of uniqueness:

- $\exists H' : \forall i \forall H' : a_{i0}a_{i3} \in H'$ , therefore,  $H$  is either a supergraph or equal to  $H'$ .

Proof by contradiction:

$G \subseteq H'$  s.t.  $H'$  is a supergraph of  $G$ , then  $H'$  would have to be the closer of  $G$  and  $H \neq H'$ , so  $H \neq H' \cap H \not\subseteq H'$

For this to be true, then  $\exists a_{i0}a_{i3} \in H$  s.t.  $a_{i0}a_{i3} \notin H'$

However, then  $a_{i0}a_{i1}a_{i2}a_{i3}$  isn't closed in  $H'$  is not closure. Therefore  $H$  has to be unique.

2. Show that the quadrangle closure of a bipartite graph is bipartite.

$a_0 \in S, a_1 \in T, a_2 \in S, a_3 \in T$ . The edges will always run from  $S \rightarrow T$  or  $T \rightarrow S$ , therefore, the position of the first vertex doesn't matter.

## A.9.2 Cycles

Show that  $G$  is a cycle.

a. Show  $G$  has the cycle  $C$

$C = V_0V_1V_2\dots V_nV_0$ , since  $G$  was defined as any two vertices with simple paths with no edges in common.

If  $C$  weren't contained in  $G$  then there wouldn't be two paths between  $V_0$  and  $V_1$

- b.  $G$  doesn't have any vertices or edges in  $C$ . Proof  $G=C$  by contradiction:  
 If  $\exists w_0$  s.t.  $w_0 \in G$  and  $w_0 \notin C$ , then we would have 2 paths that go from any  $V_i$  in  $C$  to  $w_0$  not in  $C$ , but then those paths would share an edge.  $w_0$  cannot exist and  $C=G$ .

### A.9.3 Deleting a Graph

Show that you can reduce a finite graph  $G_1$  to the empty graph with no vertices by this process  $\iff G_0$  is acyclic.

Prove every vertex of the cycle has degree of at least 2.

- a. If acyclic, it can be deleted:  $\forall v \in C : d(v) \geq 2$   
 b. If there are edge points out of the cycle they can be deleted:  
 Proof by induction on  $|v|$ :

Base case:  $|v| = 1$

It has a degree of 0 so it can be deleted. For an acyclic graph  $|v| = n - 1$ , there exists one vertex of degree 1.

Induction step:  $|v| = 1 \rightarrow |v| = n$

$|E| = |v| - 1$  for an acyclic graph and  $2|E| = \sum_{v \in V} d(v)$

If  $\forall d(v) \geq 2$ , then  $2|E| = \sum_{v \in V} d(v) \geq \sum_{v \in V} 2$ , so

$2|E| \geq 2|v|$ , and  $|E| \geq |v|$ .

Therefore,  $\exists$  at least one vertex of degree 1.