GRAPH THEORY L3, L4 and L5

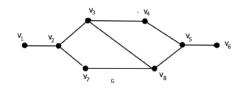
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Let G be a connected graph and let u, v be two vertices in G. Shortest path between u and v in G is a (u, v)— path with minimum number of edges in it.

Definition 0.1.

The distance between u and v in G is denoted by d(u, v) is the length of shortest path between them.



$$d(v_1, v_2) = 1$$
 $d(v_3, v_6) = 3$
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 $d(v_4, v_1) = 3$ $d(v_1, v_6) = 2$

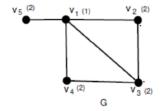
Definition 0.2.

Eccentricity of a vertex v in connected graph G is defined as follows. $e(v) = \max_{u,v \in G} d(u,v)$.

Definition 0.3.

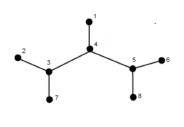
Minimum and maximum of the eccentricities of vertices of G are radius and diameter of the graph G.

A vertex v in G with minimum eccentricity is called a central vertex and set of all central vertices in G is called the centre of G



$$e(v_1) = 1$$
 diam $(a) = 2$
 $e(v_2) = 2$ radius $(a) = 1$
 $e(v_3) = 2$ centre : v_1
 $e(v_4) = 2$

Find radius, diameter and centre of the graph.



radius = 2

diameter= 4

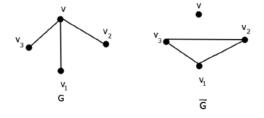
centre of a: vertex 4

Theorem

For any Graph G with six vertices, G or \overline{G} contains a triangle.

Proof.

Let G be a graph with six vertices. Let v be any vertex in G. Since v is adjacent to other five vertices either in G or in \overline{G} . We assume that, v is adjacent with v_1, v_2, v_3 in G. If any 2 of these vertices say v_1, v_2 are adjacent then v_1, v_2, v form a triangle in G. If no two of them are adjacent in G then v_1, v_2, v_3 are the vertices of a triangle in \overline{G} .



Theorem

For any graph G, show that either G or \overline{G} is connected.

Proof.

If G itself is connected, there is nothing to prove. Suppose that the graph G is disconnected and has two components C_1 and C_2 . Let U and V be any two vertices, we have the following cases.

- ① If u and v are in different components and are not adjacent in G. Then u and v are adjacent in \overline{G} . We have, u path, hence \overline{G} is connected.
- ① If u and v belong to the same component but they are not adjacent in G. Hence, they are adjacent in \overline{G} . Hence, we have uv path.
- © Suppose that u and v are adjacent in G(Obviously), they belong to the same component). Then we can find w in another component (which does not contain u and v). We have a uv path via w in \overline{G} . That is, $u \sim w$ and $v \sim w$.



Regular graph

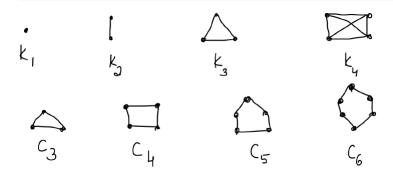
- A graph G in which every vertex is of same degree is called a regular graph.
- When G is regular, $\delta(G) = \triangle(G)$ and the common value is called regularity of G.
- Regular graph with degree 3 is called cubic graph.
- A cubic graph has always even number of vertices.

Cycle

Connected regular graph with regularity 2 is called cycle. Cycle on n vertices is denoted by C_n .

Complete graph

A graph on n vertices in which every two vertices are adjacent is called complete graph and is denoted by K_n .



Note

- Complement of a complete graph on *n* vertices is called totally disconnected graph.
- ② A graph G is said to be self centered if every vertex of G has the same eccentricity. In such a graph, radius is equal to the diameter.
- **3** The cycle graph C_n is a self centered graph and is the complete graph K_n .

Home work

Question 1: Draw a regular graph on regularity 4 and number of vertices 6.
Question 2: Draw a complete graph on 6 vertices.
Question 3: Draw a cycle graph on 8 vertices.
Question 4: Draw the complement of cycle graph C_8 .
Question 5: The complete graph Kp hasedges.
Question 6: The cycle graph Cn hasedges.
Question 7: The complete graph Kp has diameter=
Question 8: Draw a regular graph on 6 vertices with regularity 1.

Theorem 0.4.

If $diam(G) \ge 3$, then $diam(\overline{G}) \le 3$.

Proof.

Let G be the graph with $diam \geq 3$.

There are two vertices u and v in G, such that $d(u, v) \ge 3$.

 $\implies u$ and v are not adjacent in G.

 $\implies u$ and v are adjacent in \overline{G} .

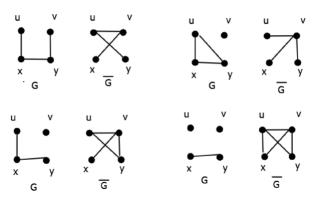
Consider any 2 vertices x and y which are adjacent in G. (They are not adjacent in \overline{G} .)

To prove $d(x, y) \leq 3$ in \overline{G} .

We note that x can not be adjacent to both u and v in G (: $d(u, v) \ge 3$). x is adjacent to at most one of u or v.

- \bigcirc x is adjacent to u, y is adjacent to v.
- $2 \times x$ is adjacent to u, y is not adjacent to v.
- $3 \times$ is adjacent to v, y is adjacent to u.
- \bullet x and y are not adjacent to u or v.

Proof continues...

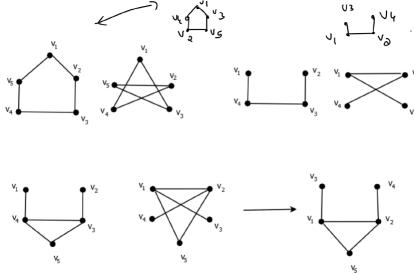


Since u and v have common neighbor in G, both x and y are adjacent to u or v in \overline{G} .

$$\implies d(x,y) \leq 3 \text{ in } \overline{G}.$$

$$\implies$$
 diam $(\overline{G}) \leq 3$.

A graph G is said to be self complementary if G is isomorphic to its complement.



Theorem 0.5.

Every nontrivial self complementary graph has diameter 2 or 3.

Proof.

Let G be a self complementary graph. Clearly, G cannot have diameter 1. If G is graph of diameter 1, then $G \cong K_n$ which is not self complementary graph.

Hence, self complementary graphs have diameter at least 2.

Suppose that $diam(G) \ge 3$. By the above theorem, $diam(\overline{G}) \le 3$.

Hence, diameter of every self complementary graph is either 2 or 3.

Theorem

Let G be a self complementary graph. Show that the number of vertices in G is of the form 4n or 4n + 1.

Proof.

Let G be a (p,q) graph. Number of edges in $K_p=p(p-1)/2=pC_2$ Since G is self complementary, number of edges in G= number of edges in $\overline{G}=q$

Number of edges in K_p = number of edges in G + number of edges in \overline{G} .

$$\Rightarrow$$
 Number of edges in $\overline{G} = p(p-1)/2 - q$

$$\Rightarrow q = p(p-1)/2 - q, \Rightarrow 4q = p(p-1)$$

Therefore,
$$q = p(p-1)/4$$

$$\Rightarrow 4/p$$
 or $4/(p-1)$

$$\Rightarrow p = 4n \text{ or } p - 1 = 4n$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 4n \text{ or } p = 4n + 1$$



Extra questions

- 1. There exists a self complementary graph on —— vertices.
- (i) 3 (ii) 8 (iii) 11 (iv) 14
- 2. Let G be a simple graph with 6 vertices. The degrees of 5 vertices are (2,3,3,3,5). Then the degree of 6th vertex is ---.
- (i) 0 (ii) 1 (iii) 2 (iv) 4
- 3. Let G be a simple graph with 6 vertices. The degrees of 5 vertices are (2,3,3,3,5). Then the number of edges is equal to ---.
- (i) 7 (ii) 8 (iii) 9 (iv) 10.

A **bipartite graph** is one whose vertex set can be partitioned into 2 subsets X and Y so that each edge has one end vertex in X and one end vertex in Y. Such a partition (X,Y) is called a bipartition of the graph G. A complete bipartite graph is a bipartite graph with bipartition (X,Y) in which each vertex of X is joined to each vertex of Y; if |X| = m and |Y| = n, such a graph is denoted by $K_{m,n}$.

The graphs (a) and (b) below are complete bipartite and bipartite graphs respectively.

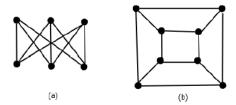
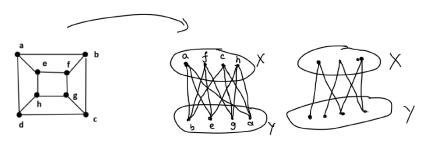
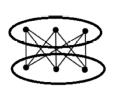
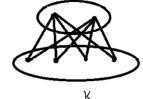


Figure: Complete bipartite and bipartite graphs



Bipartite graph on 8 vertices with partition $X = \{a, f, c, h\}$ and $Y = \{b, e, g, d\}$.







Complete bipartite graph K 3.3

¹,2,4



A complete bipartite graph Km,n has mn edges.



K₁₃

Check whether C_8 and C_7 are bipartite or not.

Solution: C_8 is bipartite but C_7 is not bipartite.

Theorem 0.6.

A graph is bipartite if and only if all its cycles are even.

Proof.

Let G be a connected bipartite graph. Then its vertex set V can be partitioned into two sets V_1 and V_2 such that every edge of G joins a vertex of V_1 with a vertex of V_2 .

Thus, every cycle $v_1, v_2, ..., v_n, v_1$ in G necessarily has its oddly sub-scripted vertices in $V_1(\text{say})$. i.e, $v_1, v_3, ... \in V_1$ and other vertices $v_2, v_4, ... \in V_2$.

In a cycle $v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_n, v_1 : v_n, v_1$ is an edge in G.

Since, $v_1 \in V_1$ we must have $v_n \in V_2$. This implies n is even.

Hence, the length of the cycle is even.

Proof continues....

Conversely, suppose that G is a connected graph with no odd cycles.

Let $u \in G$ be any vertex.

Let
$$V_1 = \{v \in V | d(u, v) = even\}, V_2 = \{v \in V | d(u, v) = odd\}.$$
 Then, $V = V_1 \bigcup V2, V1 \bigcap V2 = \phi.$

We must prove that no two vertices in V_1 and V_2 are adjacent.

Suppose that $x, w \in V_1$ be adjacent. $w \in V_1 \implies d(u, w) = 2k$ and $x \in V_1 \implies d(u, x) = 2l$.

Thus, the path u - w - x - u forms a cycle of length 2k + 2l + 1, odd a contradiction.

Therefore, x and w cannot be adjacent.

That is, no two vertices in V_1 are adjacent.

Similarly we can prove no two vertices in V_2 are adjacent.

Hence, the graph is bipartite.

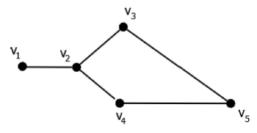
- A cut vertex of a graph is one whose removal increases the number of components and bridge is such an edge.
- A non separable graph is connected, nontrivial and has no cut vertices.
- A block of a graph is a maximal non separable sub graph.
- We note that every non trivial connected graph has at least two vertices which are not cut vertices.

Adjacency matrix of a Graph

For a graph G with $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, ..., v_n\}$, the adjacency matrix of G, denoted by A(G) is the $n \times n$ matrix defined as follows. The rows and columns of A(G) are indexed by V(G). If $i \neq j$ then the (i,j)th- entry of A(G) is 0 for vertices v_i and v_j non adjacent, and (i,j)th- entry of A(G) is 1 for vertices v_i and v_j adjacent. The (i,i)th- entry of A(G) is 0 for i=1,2,...,n. We often denoted by A(G) or simply A.

Figure: Graph G and its adjacency matrix A(G)

Write adjacency matrix of graph



$$A(G) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Incidence matrix

For a graph G with $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_n\}$ and $E(G) = \{e_1, e_2, \ldots, e_m\}$, the (vertex-edge) incidence matrix of G, which we denote by B(G) is the $n \times m$ matrix defined as follows. The (i,j)th-entry of B(G) is 0 if vertex v_i and edge e_j are not incident, and otherwise (i,j)th- entry of B(G) is 1. This is often referred to as the (0,1)- incidence matrix.

$$B(G) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Figure: Graph G and its incidence matrix B(G)

Trees

An acyclic is one that contains no cycles. It is also called a forest.

A **tree** is a connected acyclic graph. In a tree, any two vertices are connected by a unique path.

All the trees on six vertices are given below.



Figure: Trees

- If G is a (n, m) tree then m = n 1.
- Every nontrivial tree has at least two vertices of degree one (pendant vertices).
- A tree with exactly two vertices of degree one is a path.
- A tree in which all the vertices except one is of degree one is called a star.
- If G is a tree with $\triangle(G) \ge k$, then G has at least k vertices of degree 1.
- Centre of a tree contains either a single vertex or two adjacent vertices. Accordingly, a tree is called uni-central or bi-central.
- A spanning tree of G is a spanning subgraph of G that is a tree. We note that every connected subgraph has a spanning tree. Hence, if G is a connected (n, m) graph then $m \ge n 1$.

Theorem 0.7.

A graph G is a tree if and only if between every pair of vertices there exist a unique path.

Proof.

Let G be a tree then G is connected. Hence, there exist at least one path between every pair of vertices.

Suppose that between two vertices say u and v, there are two distinct paths then union of these two paths will contain a cycle; a contradiction.

Thus, if G is a tree, there is at most one path joining any two vertices.

Conversely,

suppose that there is a unique path between every pair of vertices in G. Then G is connected.

A cycle in the graph implies that there is at least one pair of vertices u and v such that there are two distinct paths between u and v. Which is not possible because of our hypothesis.

Hence, G is acyclic and therefore it is a tree.

Theorem 0.8.

A tree with p vertices has p-1 edges.

Proof.

The theorem will be proved by induction on the number of vertices.

If p = 1, we get a tree with one vertex and no edge.

If p = 2, we get a tree with two vertices and one edge.

If p = 3, we get a tree with three vertices and two edges.

Assume that the statement is true with all tree with k vertices (k < p).

Let G be a tree with p vertices.

Since G is a tree, there exist a unique path between every pair of vertices in G.

Thus, removal of an edge e from G will disconnect the graph G.

Further, G - e consists of exactly two components with number of vertices say m and n with m + n = p. Each component is again a tree.

By induction, the component with m vertices has m-1 edges and the component with n vertices has n-1 edges. Thus, the number of edges in G=m-1+n-1+1=m+n-1=p-1.

Theorem 0.9.

Every tree has a center consisting of either one vertex or two adjacent vertices.

Proof.

The result is obvious for the trees K_1 and K_2 .

We show that any other tree T has the same central vertices as the tree T_1 obtained by removing all end vertices of T.

Clearly, the maximum of the distances from a given vertex u of T to any other vertex v of T will occur only when v is an end vertex.

Thus, the eccentricity of each vertex in T_1 will be exactly one less than the eccentricity of the same vertex in T. Hence, the vertices of T which possess minimum eccentricity in T are the same vertices having minimum eccentricity in T_1 .

That is, T and T_1 have the same centre.



Proof continues...

If the process of removing end vertices is repeated, we obtain successive trees having the same centre as T.

Since T is finite, we eventually obtain a tree which is either K_1 or K_2 . In either case all vertices of this ultimate trees constitute the centre of T which consists of just a single vertex or of two adjacent vertices.

Eulerian graph

A walk that traverses every edge of G exactly once, goes through all vertices and ends at the starting vertex is called **Eulerian circuit** or **Eulerian cycle**. A graph G is said to be **Eulerian graph**, if it has an Eulerian cycle.

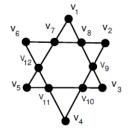


Figure: An Eulerian graph

Theorem 0.10.

A non empty connected graph is Eulerian if and only if all of its vertices of even degree.

Proof.

Suppose that G is connected and Eulerian.

Since G has a Eulerian circuit which passes through each edge exactly once, goes through all vertices and all its vertices are of even degree.

Conversely,

Let G be a connected graph such that every vertex of G is of even degree. Since, G is connected, no vertex can be of degree zero.

Thus, every vertex of degree ≥ 2 , so G contains a cycle.

Let C be a cycle in a graph G.

Remove edges of the cycle C from the graph G.

The resulting graph (Say G_1) may not be connected, but every vertex of the resulting graph is of even degree.



Proof continues....

Suppose G consists only of this cycle C, then G is obviously Eulerian. Otherwise, there is another cycle C_1 with a vertex v in common with C. The walk beginning at v and consisting of the cycles C and C_1 in succession is a closed trial containing the edges of these two cycles. By continuing this process, we can construct a closed trial containing all edges of G, hence G is Eulerian.

Hamiltonian graph

A path that contains every vertex of G is called a **Hamilton path** of G. Similarly, a **Hamiltonian cycle** of G is a cycle that contains every vertex of G. A graph is **Hamiltonian graph**, if it contains a Hamilton cycle.

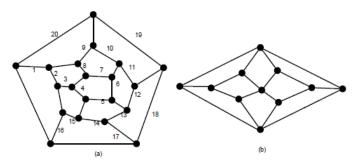


Figure: Hamiltonian and Non hamiltonian graphs

Directed graph

A directed graph or digraph D consists of a finite nonempty set V of points together with a prescribed collection X of ordered pairs of distinct points. The elements of X are directed lines or arcs. By definition, a digraph has no loops or multiple arcs.

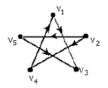


Figure: A directed graph

Dijkstra's algorithm.

Shortest paths in graphs: The graph G has n vertices and a distance associated with each edge of the graph G (such a graph is often called a network). The representation of the network will be as a distance matrix D.

The distance matrix $D=\left(d_{ij}\right)$ where,

$$d_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0, \text{if } i = j \\ \infty, \text{if } i \text{ is not joined to } j \text{ by an edge} \\ \text{distance associated with an edge from } i \text{ to } j, \text{ if } i \text{ is joined to } j \\ \text{by an edge.} \end{cases}$$

We shall find the shortest distance between the vertices of a graph G using **Dijkstra's algorithm.**

Let us define two sets K and U, where K consists of those vertices which have been fully investigated and between which the best path is known, and U of those vertices which have not yet been processed. Clearly, every vertex belongs to either K or U but not both. Let a vertex r be selected from which we shall find the shortest paths to all the other vertices of the network. Let the array bestd(i) hold the length of the shortest path so far formed from r to vertex i, and another array tree(i) the next vertex to i on the current shortest path.

Dijkstra's algorithm:

- Step 1: Intialise $K = \{r\}$, $U = \{$ all other vertices of G except $r\}$. Set bestd(i)= d_{ri} and tree(i)= r.
- Step 2: Find the vertex s in U which has the minimum value of bestd. Remove s from U and put it in K.
- Step 3: For each vertex u in U, find bestd(s) + d_{su} and if it is less than bestd(u) replace bestd(u) by this new value and let tree(u)= s.(a shorter path to u has been found by going via vertex s.)
- Step 4: If U contains only one vertex then stop the process or else go to step 2. The array bestd(i) contains the length of shortest path from r to i.

Example: Implement Dijkstra's algorithm to find shortest path from the vertex B to all other vertices of following graph G.

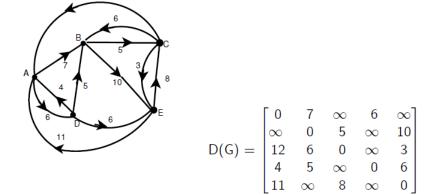


Figure: Graph G and its distance matrix D(G)

Step 1: Intialise $K = \{B\}$, $U = \{A,C,D,E\}$.

Therefore, bestd(C)= 5 (minimum distance) and tree(C)= B. Step 2: Remove C from U and put it in K. Now, U={ A,D,E}. K={ B,C}. Find minimum distance from B to A, D, E via C. Therefore, bestd(A) = $17 < \infty$, tree(A)=C and bestd(E)= $17 < \infty$.

Therefore, bestd(E)= 8 and tree(E)= C

Step 3: Remove E from U having minimum distance and put it in K. Now, $U=\{A,D\}$. $K=\{B,C,E\}$. Find minimum distance from B to A,D via C and E. The distances from B to A are 17 (B to C to A), 30 (B to E to C to A), 21 (B to E to A). Therefore, bestd(A) = 17 < (30,21), tree(A)=C and bestd(D)=B < 10, tree(E)=C.

 $\begin{array}{cccc} & A & D \\ \text{best d} & 17 & \infty \\ \text{tree} & C & B \end{array}$

Therefore, bestd(A)= 17 and tree(A)= C

Step 4: Remove A from U having minimum distance and put it in K. Now, $U = \{ D \}$, $K = \{ B, C, E, A \}$. Find minimum distance from B to D via A, E, C. The distances from B to D are 23 (B to C to A to D), 36 (B to E to C to A to D), 27 (B to E to A D). Therefore, bestd(D) = 23 < (36 and 27), tree(D)=A. Now, D contains only one vertex and stop the process. Therefore, bestd(D)= 23 and tree(D)=A.

The array bestd contains the length of shortest path from B to all other vertices of G. The shortest path from the vertex B to all other vertices of a graph G is given by

В	Α	C	D	Е
best d	17	5	23	8
tree	C	В	Α	C

Example: Implement Dijkstra's algorithm to find shortest path from c to all other vertices of the following network.

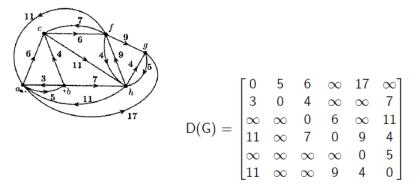


Figure: Graph G and its distance matrix D(G)

Step 1: Intialise $K = \{c\}$, $U = \{a, b, f, g, h\}$.

Therefore, bestd(f)= 6 (minimum distance) and tree(f)= c.

Step 2: Remove f from U and put it in K.

Now, $U=\{ a, b, g, h \}$. $K=\{ c, f \}$.

Find minimum distance from c to a, b, g, h via f.

Therefore, bestd(a) = 17 < ∞ , tree(a)=f, bestd(g)= 15 < ∞ , tree(g)=f and bestd(h)= 10 < 11, tree(h)=f

Therefore, bestd(h)= 10 and tree(h)= f.

Step 3: Remove h from U having minimum distance and put it in K. Now, $U=\{a, b, g\}$. $K=\{c, f, h\}$. Find minimum distance from c to a, b, g via h and f. The distances from c to a are 17, 21, 22. Therefore, bestd(a) = 17, tree(a)=f and bestd(g)=14<15, tree(g)=h.

	a	b	\mathbf{g}
best d	17	∞	14
tree	f	C	h

Therefore, bestd(g)= 14 and tree(g)= hStep 4: Remove g from U having minimum distance and put it in K. Now, $U=\{a,b\}$, $K=\{c,f,g,h\}$. Find minimum distance from c to a and b via c, f, g, h. The distances from c to a and b are 17 and ∞ . Therefore, bestd(a) = 17, tree(a)=f. best d 17∞

Therefore, bestd(a)= 17 and tree(a)= fStep 5: Remove a from U having minimum distance and put it in K. Now, $U=\{b\}$, $K=\{c, f, g, h, a\}$. Find minimum distance from c to b via c, f, g, h and a. The distances from c to b are 22, 26,27... Therefore, bestd(b) = 22, tree(b)=a. Now, U contains only one vertex and stop the process. The array bestd contains the length of shortest path from c to all other vertices of G. The shortest path from the vertex c to all other vertices of a graph G is given by

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