

$u \rightarrow v$ any walk contains a $u \rightarrow v$ path.

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Proof: — Let, w be a $u \rightarrow v$ walk in G . We prove the theorem by induction on the length of w if w is of length 1 or 2 then it is easy to see that w must be a path. For the induction hypothesis suppose the result is true for all walk of length less than k . And suppose, w has length k . So that w is _____.

$$w = u = w_0, w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots, w_k = v$$

where w is not distinct. If the vertices are in fact distinct, then w itself is the desired path from u to v . If not, then let j be the smallest integer such that —

$$w_j = w_r \text{ for some } r > j. \text{ Let } w_1 \text{ be the}$$

walk as

$$w_1 = u = w_0, w_1, w_2, w_j, w_{r+1}, \dots, w_k = v$$

this walk length strictly less than k . There induction hypothesis implies.

w_1 contains u to v path. This means that

w contains u to v path & hence the result.