

Degree sequences

- Read 2.3, pages 43-47
 - What do we refer to as **degree sequence** of a graph?
 - Write down all possible degree sequences for all graphs of order 2, 3 and 4.
 - True or False: all sequences of non-negative numbers are **graphical**
 - Theorem 2.10 describes a process of testing if a non-increasing sequence is graphical.
 - * Carry out that process to determine if the sequence 3, 3, 2, 1, 1 is graphical. If it is, construct a graph with that sequence.
 - * Prove the backward direction of the theorem: If the constructed sequence s_1 is graphical, then we can explicitly construct a graph for the original sequence s by extending the graph for s_1 .
 - * Prove the forward direction of the theorem: If s is graphical, show that s_1 is also graphical by suitable manipulation of the graph corresponding to s . There are two cases to distinguish: If there is a graph with degree sequence s where a vertex of degree d_1 is connected to the vertices with the next d_1 degrees, i.e. $d_2, d_3, \dots, d_{d_1+1}$, and if there is no such graph. In particular, make sure you understand the meaning of the diamond graphs in Figure 2.15.
 - Study example 2.11 on page 46.
 - Problems to work on: 2.31, 2.32