

# Discussion 2B

## Announcements

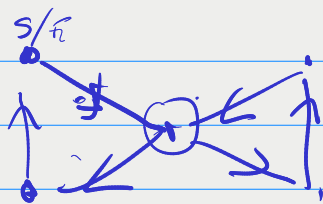
- Please consider making a collection of definitions for the graph theory topic
- The key for graphs is having all the definitions down first

## tour

a walk with no repeating edges that starts and ends on the same vertex

## cycle

a tour the only repeated vertex is the start or end



## Definitions for $G$ to be a tree

1.  $G$  is connected and contains no cycles.
2.  $G$  is connected and has  $n - 1$  edges (where  $n = |V|$  is the number of vertices).
3.  $G$  is connected, and the removal of any single edge disconnects  $G$ .
- ④ 4.  $G$  has no cycles, and the addition of any single edge creates a cycle.

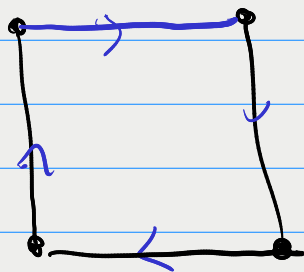
# 1 True or False

- (a) Any pair of vertices in a tree are connected by exactly one path.
- (b) Adding an edge between two vertices of a tree creates a new cycle.
- (c) Adding an edge in a connected graph creates exactly one new cycle.

a) True. Assume that there are two, in cycle, contradiction

b) True. From definition

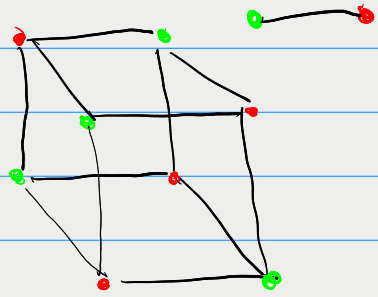
c) False.



## 2 Bipartite Graph

A bipartite graph consists of 2 disjoint sets of vertices (say  $L$  and  $R$ ), such that no 2 vertices in the same set have an edge between them. For example, here is a bipartite graph (with  $L = \{\text{green vertices}\}$  and  $R = \{\text{red vertices}\}$ ), and a non-bipartite graph.

Prove that a graph has no tours of odd length if it is a bipartite (This is equivalent to proving that, a graph  $G$  being a bipartite implies that  $G$  has no tours of odd length).



Suppose there is a tour

$v_0 \in L, v_1 \in R$

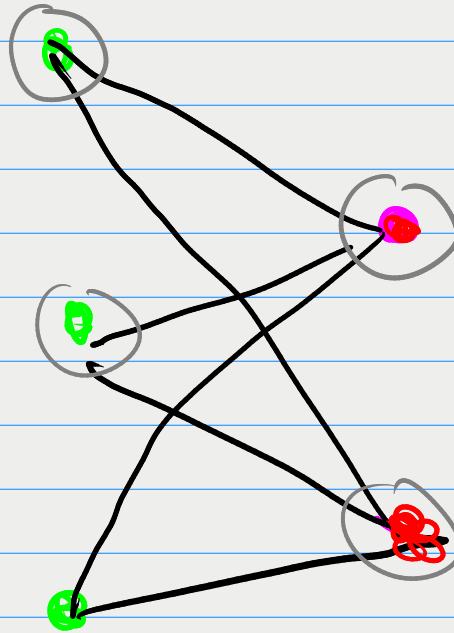
$v_0, v_1 \mid G$

$v_1, v_2 \mid G$

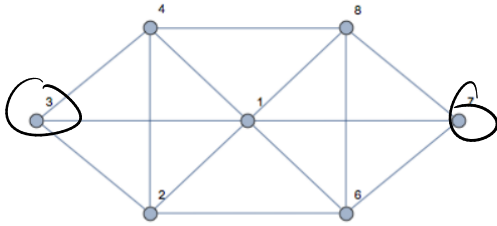
$(2k+1)^{\text{th}}$  edge

$v_{2k}, v_{2k+1}$

$v_{2k+1}, v_{2k+2}$  even edge

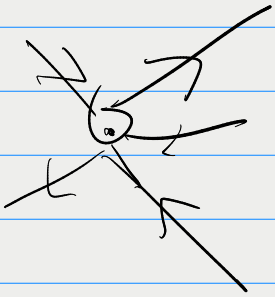


### 3 Eulerian Tour and Eulerian Walk

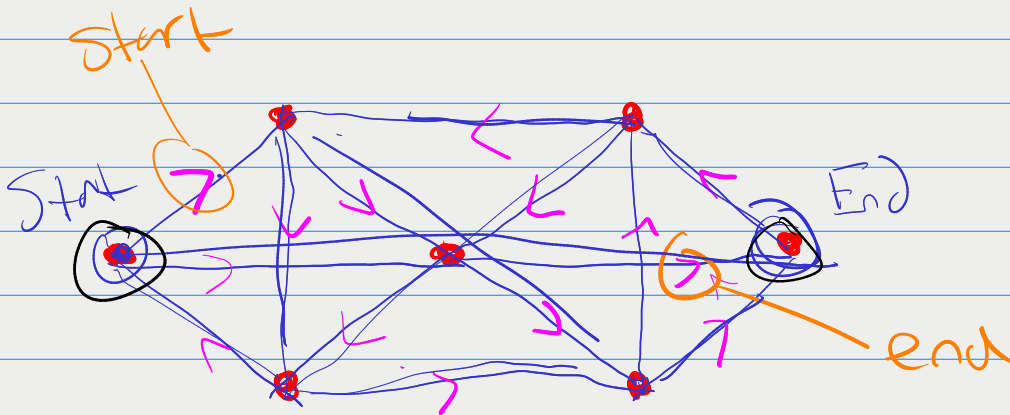


- Is there an Eulerian tour in the graph above? If no, give justification. If yes, provide an example.
- Is there an Eulerian walk in the graph above? An Eulerian walk is a walk that uses each edge exactly once. If no, give justification. If yes, provide an example.
- What is the condition that there is an Eulerian walk in an undirected graph? Briefly justify your answer.

a) no, because  $\exists$  a vertex w/ odd degree



b) Yes,



c)  $G$  has Eulerian walk  $\Leftrightarrow$  connected two odd degree vertices  
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 exactly each edge once

## 4 Odd Degree Vertices

Good Exercise to do

**Claim:** Let  $G = (V, E)$  be an undirected graph. The number of vertices of  $G$  that have odd degree is even.

Prove the claim above using:

- (i) Direct proof (e.g., counting the number of edges in  $G$ ). *Hint: in lecture, we proved that  $\sum_{v \in V} \deg v = 2|E|$ .*
- (ii) Induction on  $m = |E|$  (number of edges)
- (iii) Induction on  $n = |V|$  (number of vertices)

(i)  $|E| = m$

$$\sum_{v \in V_{\text{odd}}} \deg v = 2m - \sum_{v \notin V_{\text{odd}}} \deg v$$

must have even # of terms

All terms are even