

Discrete Mathematics: Lecture 28

Homeomorphic, Kuratowski's Theorem, Graph Coloring, Tree

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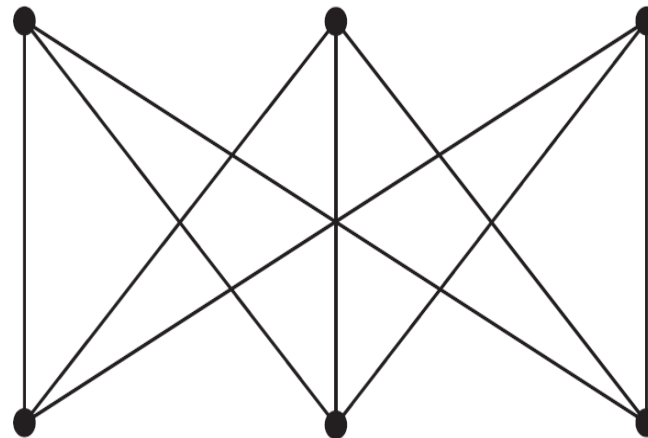
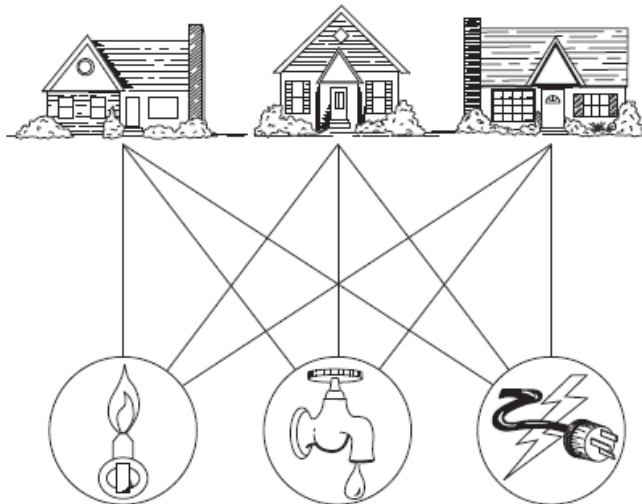
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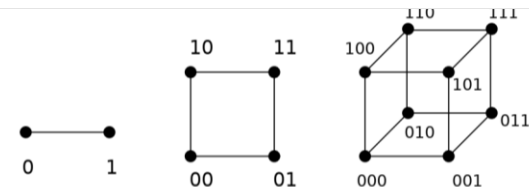
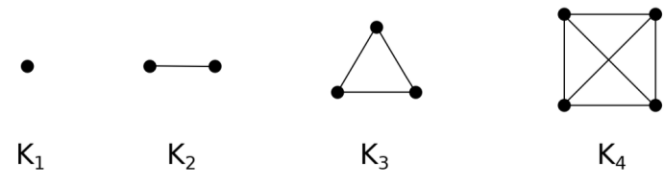
Planar Graph

DEFINITION: Let $G = (V, E)$ be an undirected graph. G is called a **planar graph** 平面图 if it can be drawn in the plane without any edges crossing.

- Crossing of edges: an intersection other than endpoints (vertices)
- **planar representation** 平面表示: a drawing w/o edge crossing; **nonplanar** 非平面的



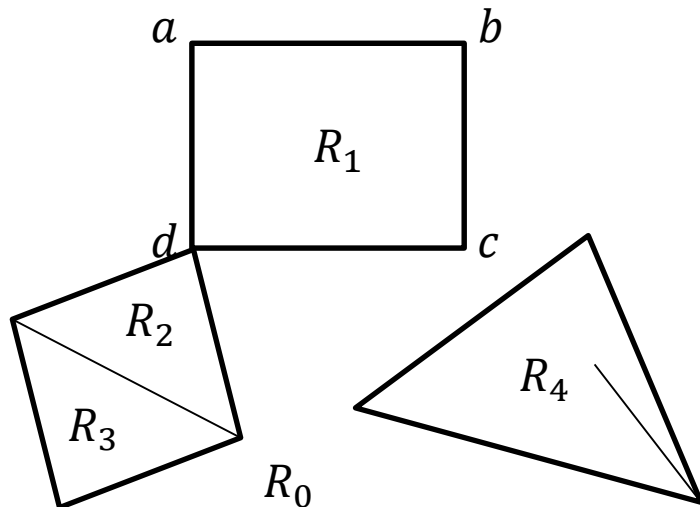
- K_1, K_2, K_3, K_4 are planar graphs
- $K_{1,n}, K_{2,n}$ are planar graphs
- C_n ($n \geq 3$), W_n ($n \geq 3$) are planar graphs
- Q_1, Q_2, Q_3 are planar graphs



Regions

DEFINITION: Let $G = (V, E)$ be a planar graph. Then the plane is divided into several **regions**面 by the edges of G .

- The infinite region is **exterior region**外部面. The others are **interior regions**内部面.
- The **boundary**边界 of a region is a subset of E .
- The **degree**度数 of a region is the number of edges on its boundary.
 - If an edge is shared by R_i, R_j , then it contributes 1 to $\deg(R_i), \deg(R_j)$
 - If an edge is on the boundary of a single region R_i , then it contributes 2 to $\deg(R_i)$



- The plane is divided into 5 regions R_0, R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4
 - R_0 is the exterior region
 - R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4 are interior regions
- The boundary of R_1 ; $\deg(R_1) = 4$
- There are 4 edges on the boundary of R_4
 - $\deg(R_4) = 1 + 1 + 1 + 2 = 5$ because one of the edges contribute 2 to $\deg(R_4)$
- $\deg(R_0) = 11, \deg(R_1) = 4, \deg(R_2) = 3, \deg(R_3) = 3, \deg(R_4) = 5$

Euler's Formula

THEOREM: Let $G = (V, E)$ be a connected planar simple graph with e edges and v vertices. Let r be the number of regions in a planar representation of G . Then $r = e - v + 2$.

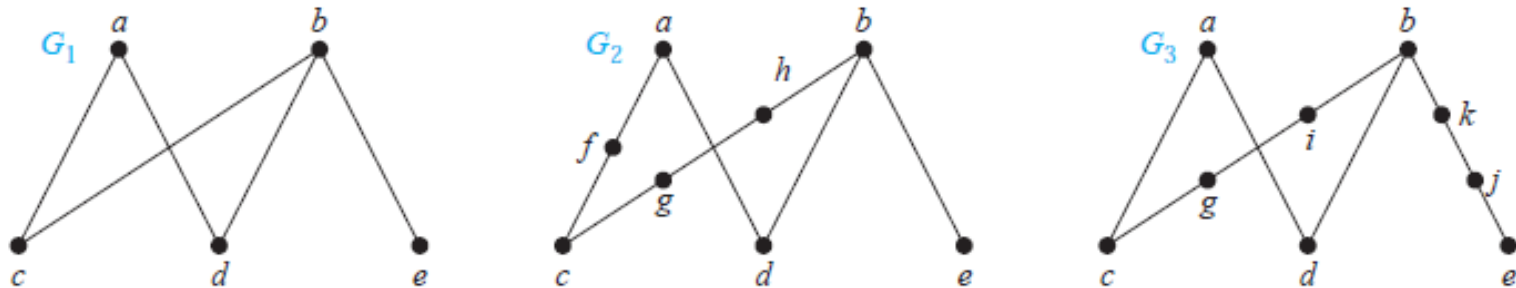
THEOREM: Let G be a planar simple graph with p connected components. Then $|V(G)| - |E(G)| + |R(G)| = p + 1$.

- Let G_1, G_2, \dots, G_p be the connected components of G .
 - By Euler's formula, $|R(G_i)| = |E(G_i)| - |V(G_i)| + 2$ for all $i \in [p]$
- $|V(G)| = |V(G_1)| + |V(G_2)| + \dots + |V(G_p)|$
- $|E(G)| = |E(G_1)| + |E(G_2)| + \dots + |E(G_p)|$
- $|R(G)| = |R(G_1)| + |R(G_2)| + \dots + |R(G_p)| - p + 1$
- $|V(G)| - |E(G)| + |R(G)| = \sum_{i=1}^p (|V(G_i)| - |E(G_i)| + |R(G_i)|) - p + 1$
 $= 2p - p + 1 = p + 1$

Homeomorphic

DEFINITION: Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph and $\{u, v\} \in E$.

- **elementary subdivision** 初等细分: $G' = (V \cup \{w\}, E - \{u, v\} + \{u, w\} + \{v, w\})$
- Two graphs are **homeomorphic** 同胚的 if they can be obtained from the same graph via elementary subdivisions

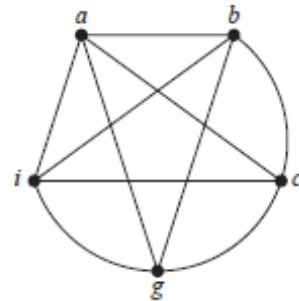
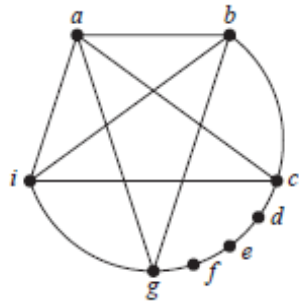
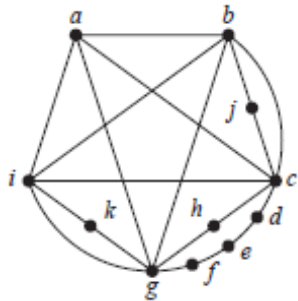


G_2 and G_3 are homeomorphic

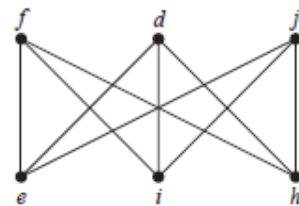
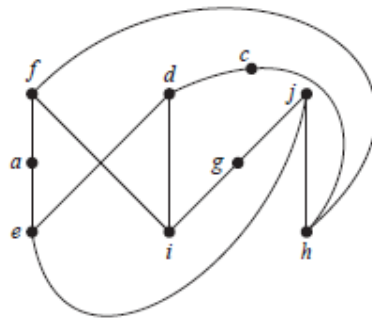
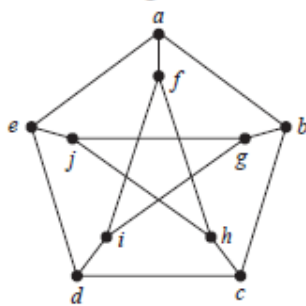
Kuratowski's Theorem

THEOREM: A graph G is nonplanar if and only if it has a subgraph homeomorphic to $K_{3,3}$ or K_5 .

EXAMPLE: The following graph is nonplanar.



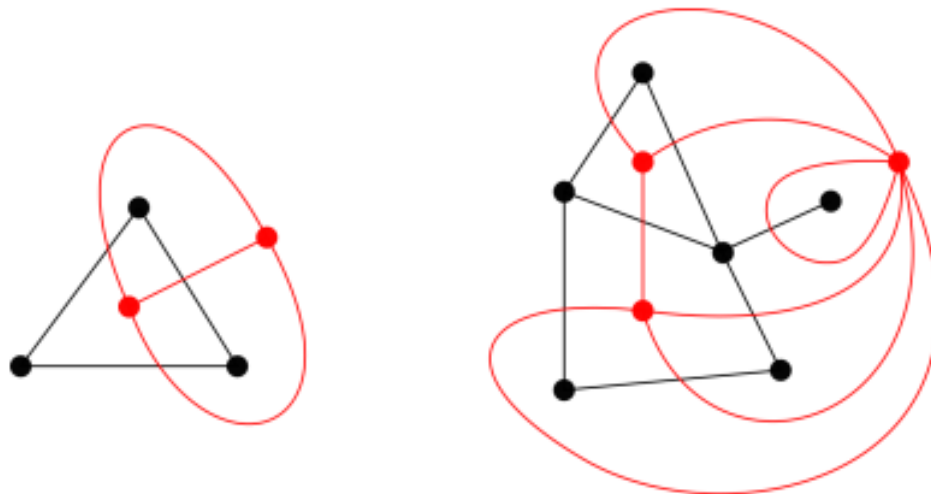
There is a subgraph homeomorphic to K_5



There is a subgraph homeomorphic to $K_{3,3}$

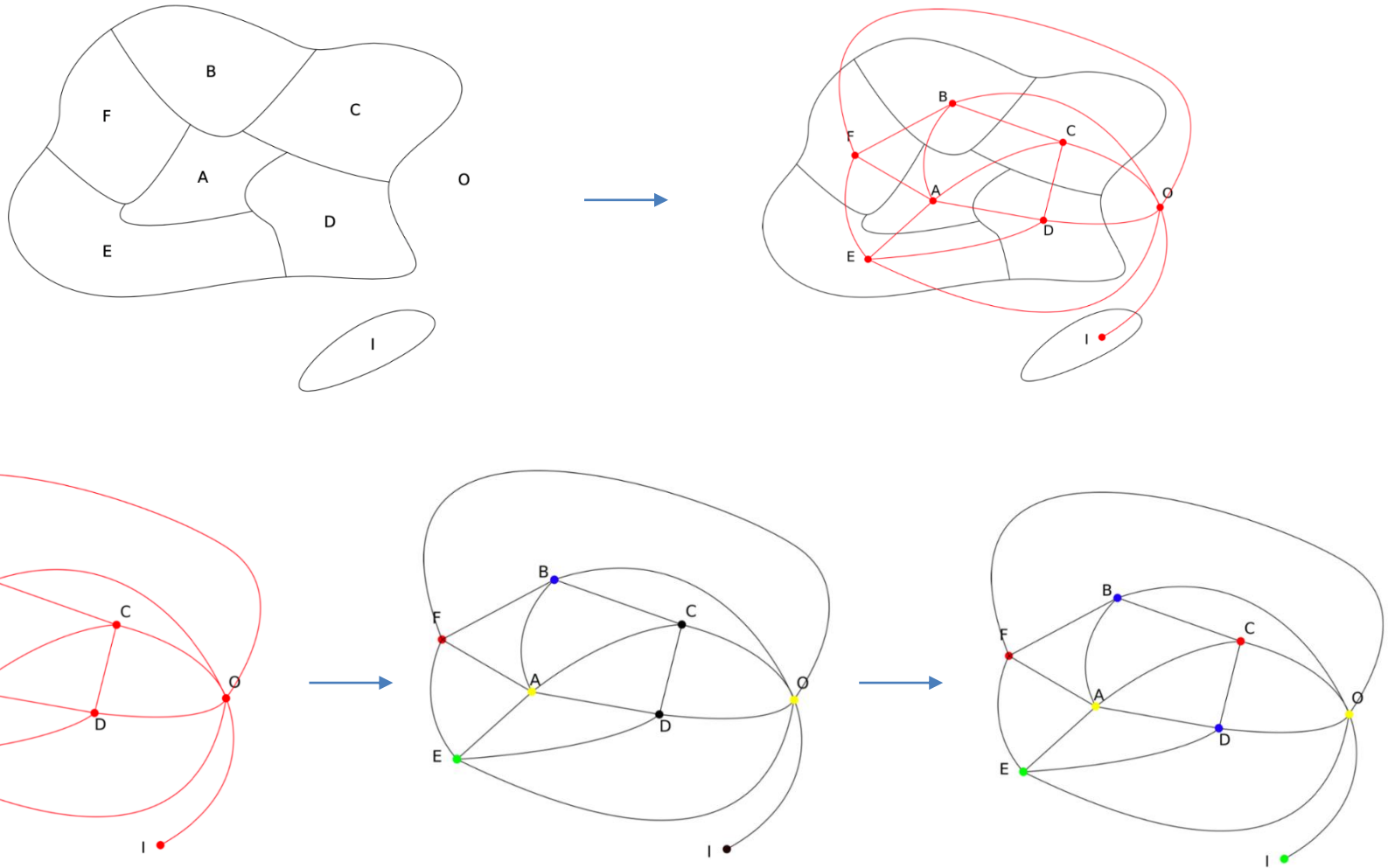
Dual Graph

Let G be a planar graph and assume we take a planar representation of G that we denote also G . The **dual of G** is the graph G^* that has a vertex for each face of G and an edge connecting two vertices if the corresponding faces in G have a common edge in their boundary.



Remark: The dual of a planar simple graph is not necessarily simple.

Coloring a Map

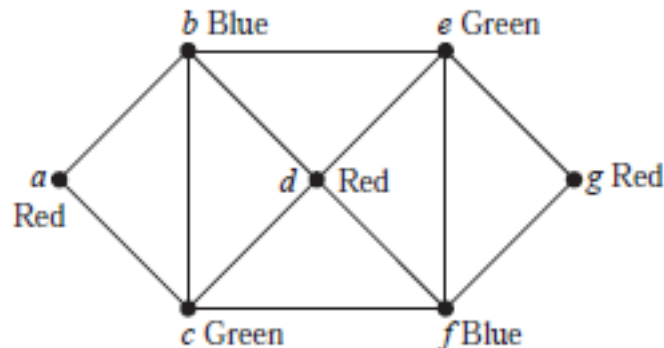
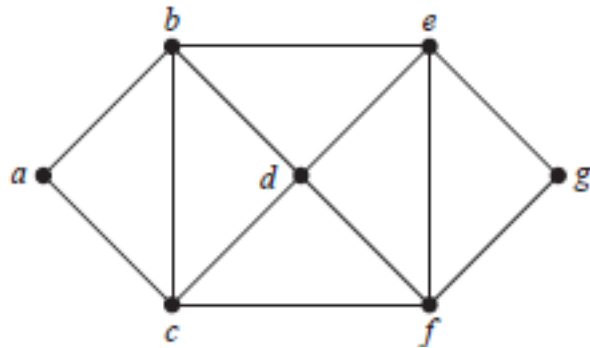


Coloring regions of the map \Leftrightarrow Coloring vertices of the dual graph

Graph Coloring

DEFINITION: Let $G = (V, E)$ be a simple graph. A **k -coloring** _{k -着色} of G is a map $f: V \rightarrow [k]$ such that $f(u) \neq f(v)$ whenever $\{u, v\} \in E$.

- **chromatic number** $(\chi(G))$ _{色数}: the least k s.t. G has a k -coloring.



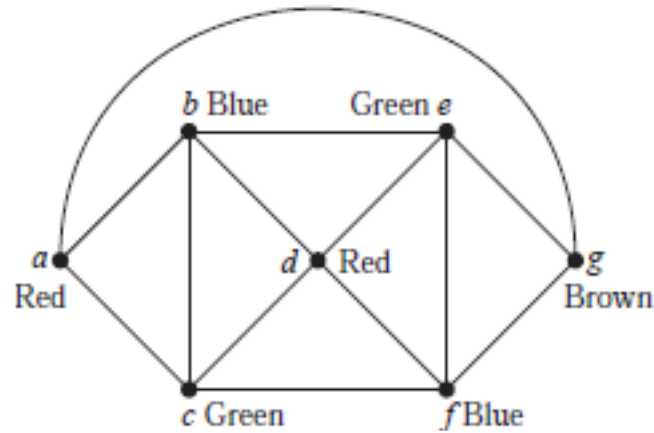
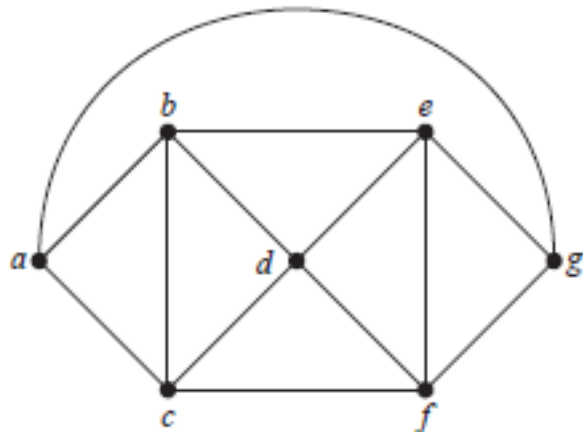
$$\chi(G) = 3$$

The chromatic number is at least 3 because $a; b; c$ is a circuit of length 3

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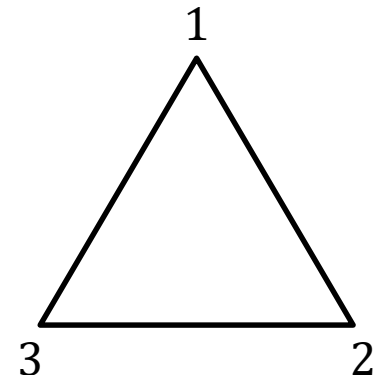
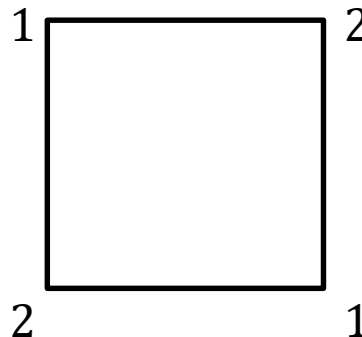
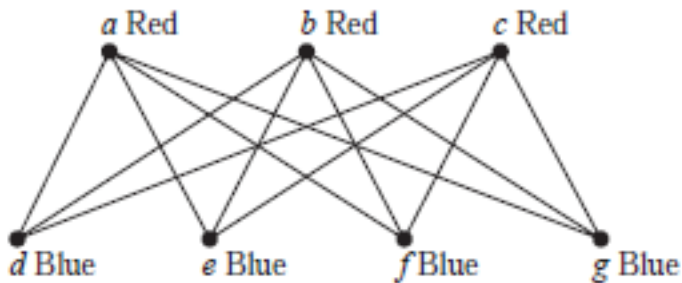
$$\chi(G) = 4$$

Graph Coloring

THEOREM: Let $G = (V, E)$ be a simple graph.

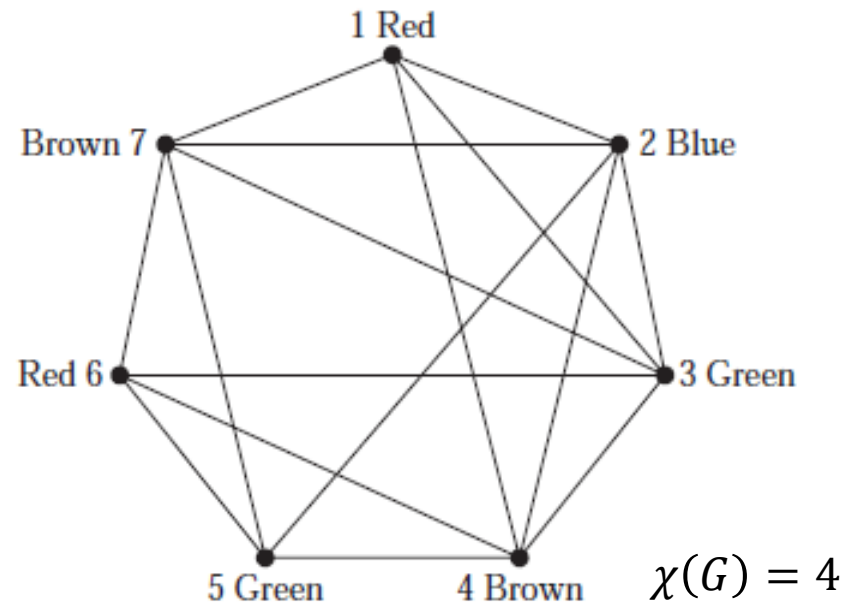
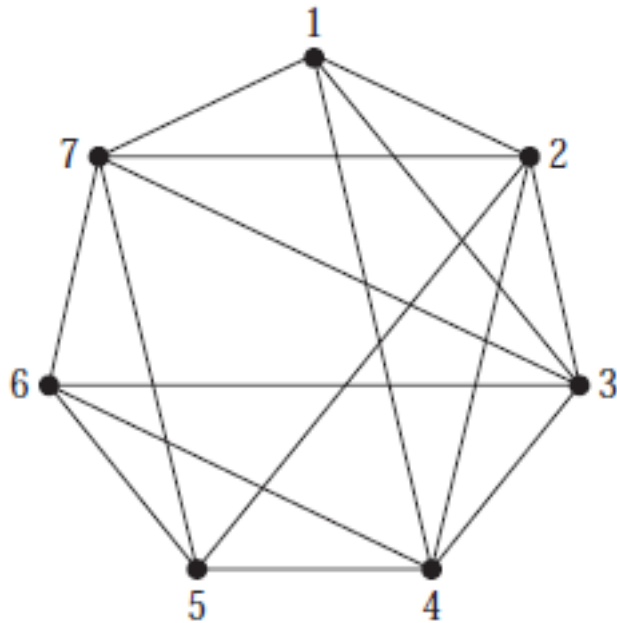
- $1 \leq \chi(G) \leq |V|$
- $\chi(G) = 1$ iff $E = \emptyset$
- $\chi(G) = 2$ iff G is bipartite and $|E| \geq 1$.
- $\chi(K_n) = n$ for every integer $n \geq 1$.
 - $\chi(G) \geq n$ if G has a subgraph isomorphic to K_n
- $\chi(C_n) = 2$ if $2|n$; $\chi(C_n) = 3$ if $2 \nmid (n - 1)$; ($n \geq 3$)
- $\chi(G) \leq \Delta(G) + 1$, where $\Delta(G) = \max\{\deg(v) : v \in V\}$.

CSP 约束满足问题



Application

PROBLEM: How can the final exams at a university be scheduled so that no student has two exams at the same time?



- There are 7 different courses, they are vertices of a graph.
- Two courses are adjacent if there is a student registered both courses.
- Choose time slots for the courses such that no two adjacent courses take place at the same time.

$$1 \leq \chi(G) \leq 7$$

- $\chi(G)$ time slots is needed. $1 \leq \chi(G) \leq \Delta(G) + 1 = 6$

$$\chi(G) \geq 4: G \text{ has a subgraph isomorphic to } K_4$$

4-coloring Theorem

Theorem (Four coloring Theorem)

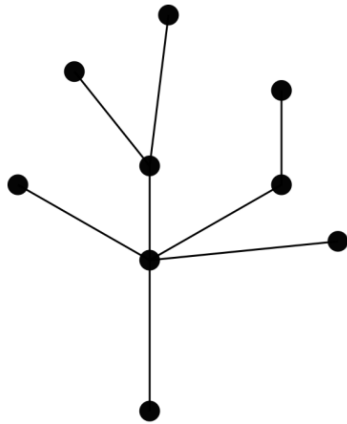
The chromatic number of a simple planar graph is no greater than 4.

Remarks: The proof of the 4-coloring Theorem depends on a computer. The two previous theorems are true for planar graphs only. A non planar graph can have an arbitrarily large chromatic number.

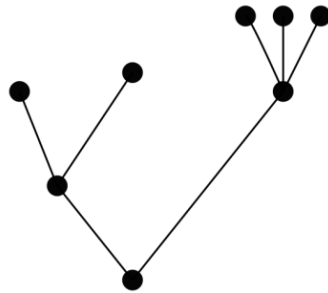
Tree

Definition

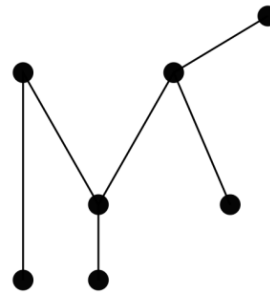
- A **tree** is a connected undirected graph with no simple circuits.
- A **forest** is an graph such that each of its connected components is a tree.



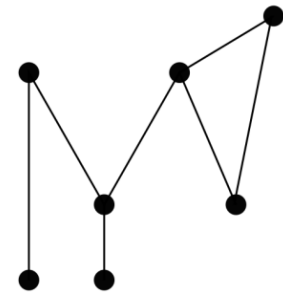
G



H



I



K

G , H , I are trees, but K is not a tree.

Characterization of Tree

Theorem

An undirected graph is a tree if and only if there is a unique simple path between any two of its vertices.

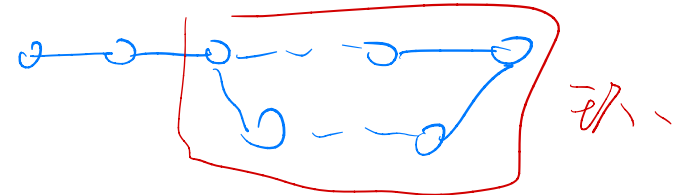
Proof: (\Rightarrow) Assume T is a tree and let u and v be two vertices. T is connected so there is a *simple path* P_1 from u to v . Assume there is a second simple path P_2 from u to v .

Claim: There is a simple circuit in T .

Let $u = x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n = v$ denote the vertices of P_1 and $u = y_0, y_1, \dots, y_m = v$ the vertices of P_2 .

P_1 and P_2 start at u but are not equal so must diverge at some point.

• If they diverge after one of them has ended, then the remaining part of the other path is a circuit from v to v .



Characterization of Tree

- Otherwise, we can assume

$$x_0 = y_0, x_1 = y_1, \dots, x_i = y_i$$

and $x_{i+1} \neq y_{i+1}$.

We follow then y_{i+1}, y_{i+2}, \dots until we reach a vertex of P_1 .

Then go back to x_i following P_1 forwards or backwards.

This gives a circuit which is simple because P_1 and P_2 are, and we stop using edges of P_2 as soon as we hit P_1 .

(\Leftarrow) Assume there is a unique simple path between any two vertices of the graph T . Then:

- T is connected (by definition)
- if T has a simple circuit containing the vertices x and $y \rightsquigarrow$ two simple paths between x and y .



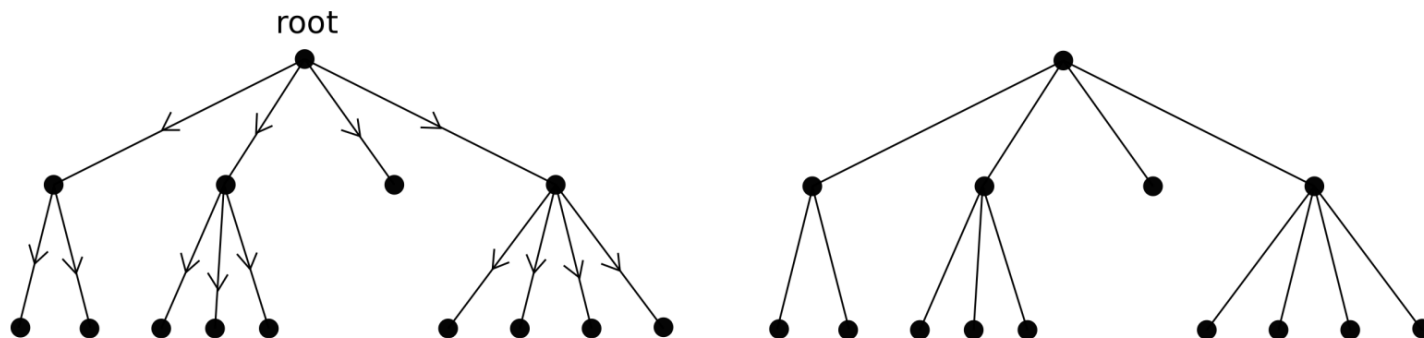
Rooted Tree

Definition

A **rooted tree** is a tree in which one vertex has been designated as the root and every edge is directed away from the root.

Remarks: • A rooted tree is a directed graph.

- We usually draw a rooted tree with its root at the top of the graph.
- We usually omit the arrows on the edges to indicate the direction because it is uniquely determined by the choice of the root.
- Any non rooted tree can be changed to a rooted tree by choosing a vertex for the root.

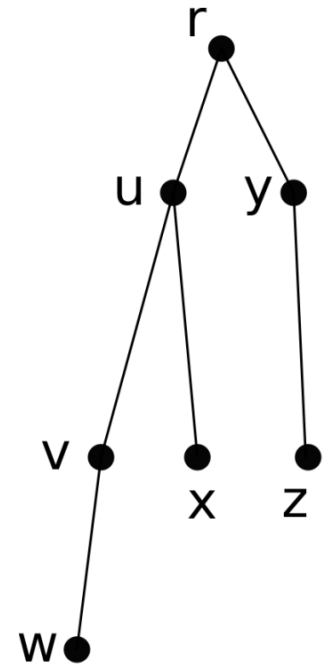


Rooted Tree

Definition

Let T be a rooted tree and v a vertex which is not the root. We call

- **parent** of v the *unique* vertex u such that there is an edge from u to v ,
- **child** of v a vertex w such that there is an edge from v to w ,
- 兄弟 ■ **siblings** vertices with the same parent,
- **ancestors** of v all vertices in the path from the root to v ,
- 后代 ■ **descendants** of v all vertices that have v as an ancestor,
- 叶结点 ■ **leaf** a vertex which has no children,
- 内部 ■ **internal vertex** a vertex that has children,
- **subtree with v at its root** the subgraph of T consisting of v and its descendants and the edges incident to them.

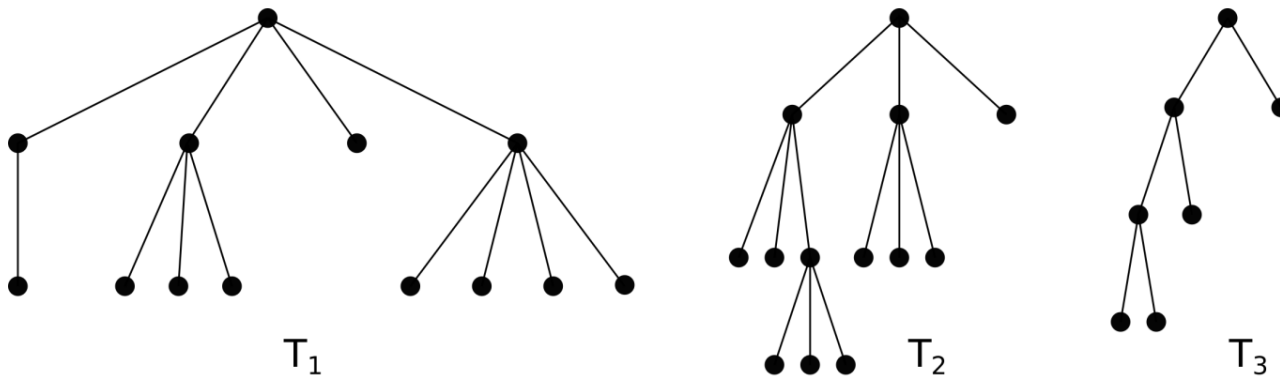


- r is the root
- v is child of u and parent of w
- v and x are siblings

Rooted Tree

Definition

- A rooted tree is called an *m*-ary tree ^{m叉树} if every internal vertex has no more than m children.
- A rooted tree is called a **full m-ary tree** ^{满m叉树} if every internal vertex has exactly m children.
- An m -ary tree with $m = 2$ is called a **binary tree**. In this case if an internal vertex has two children, they are called **left child** and **right child**. The subtree rooted at the left (resp. right) child of a vertex is called the **left (resp. right) subtree** of this vertex.



T_1 is a 4-ary tree, T_2 a full 3-ary tree, T_3 a full binary tree.

Properties of Tree

Theorem

A tree with n vertices has $n - 1$ edges.

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Proof: By induction on the number of vertices.

- $n = 1$: A tree with one vertex has no edge.
- $k \rightsquigarrow k + 1$: Assume every tree with k vertices has $k - 1$ edges.

Let T be a tree with $k + 1$ vertices, and v a leaf (which exists because the tree has a finite number of vertices).

Let T' be the tree obtained from T by removing v (and the edge incident to it). T' is a connected tree with k vertices \Rightarrow it has $k - 1$ edges by induction hypothesis.

$\Rightarrow T$ has $k + 1$ vertices and k edges.

Properties of Tree

Tree = connected with no simple circuit (definition)

- (1) connected
- (2) no simple circuit
- (3) $(n - 1)$ edges (n =nb of vertices)

Previous theorem: $(1) + (2) \Rightarrow (3)$

We also have: $(1) + (3) \Rightarrow (2)$
 $(2) + (3) \Rightarrow (1)$

Example: For what value of m, n the complete bipartite graph $K_{m,n}$ is a tree?

$K_{m,n}$ is connected, has $m + n$ vertices and $m \times n$ edges.

It is a tree if:

$$m \times n = m + n - 1 \iff (n - 1)m = n - 1$$

If $n \neq 1$: $m = 1$

If $n = 1$: $m \in \mathbb{N}^*$

Properties of Tree

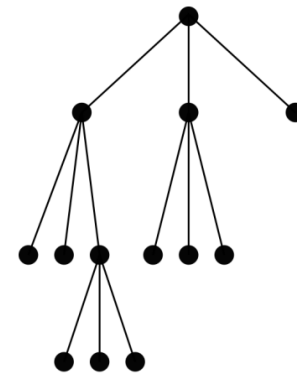
Theorem

A full m -ary tree with i internal vertices contains $n = mi + 1$ vertices.

Proof: Each vertex (except the root) is the child of an internal vertex.

There are i internal vertices, each with m children

$\Rightarrow mi$ vertices + root = $mi + 1$ vertices



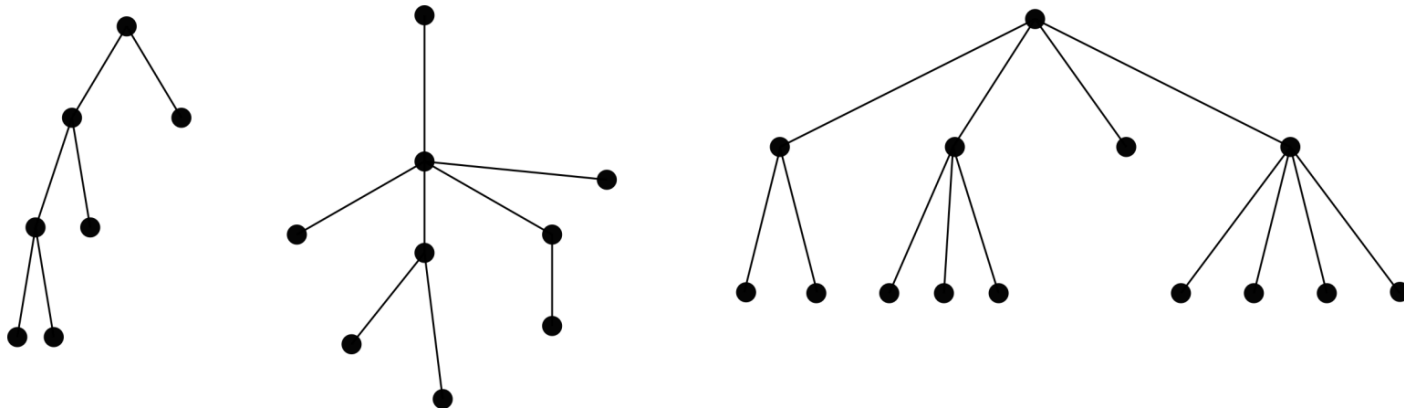
A full m -ary tree with

- 1** n vertices has $i = (n - 1)/m$ internal vertices and $\ell = ((m - 1)n + 1)/m$ leaves,
- 2** i internal vertices has $n = mi + 1$ vertices and $\ell = (m - 1)i + 1$ leaves,
- 3** ℓ leaves has $n = (m\ell - 1)/(m - 1)$ vertices and $i = (\ell - 1)/(m - 1)$ internal vertices.

Balanced m-ary Tree

Definition

- The **level** of a vertex v in a rooted tree is the length of the unique path from the root to this vertex.
- The **height** of a rooted tree is the maximum of the levels of its vertices.
- A rooted m -ary tree of height h is **balanced** if all leaves are at levels h or $h - 1$.



Balanced m-ary Tree

Theorem

There are at most m^h leaves in an m-ary tree of height h .

Proof: Induction again!

Corollary

If an m-ary tree of height h has l leaves, then $h \geq \lceil \log_m l \rceil$. If moreover the m-ary tree is full and balanced, then $h = \lceil \log_m l \rceil$.

Balanced m-ary Tree*

Theorem

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Proof: Induction again!

- An m -ary tree of height 1 consists of a root and its children (at most m) that are leaves. So the tree has at most $m^1 = m$ leaves.
- Assume all m -ary tree of height less or equal to h have at most m^h leaves.

Let T be an m -ary tree of height $h + 1$ and denote r its root.

Consider the subtrees rooted at the children of r . Each of them is an m -ary tree of height less or equal to h , so by inductive hypothesis they have at most m^h leaves.

There are at most m of such trees because r has at most m children. So in total T has at most $m \times m^h$ leaves.