

**Lecture Notes  
Graph Theory  
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**Chapter One**

Graph  $(V(G), E(G), \psi_G)$ , where

$V(G)$  = set of vertices

$E(G)$  = set of edges

$\psi_G$  = function relating edges to endpoint vertices

$n = |V(G)|$

$\varepsilon = |E(G)|$

Adjacent vertices, neighbors, neighborhood  $N_G(u)$

Loop, parallel edges

Finite Graphs have finite  $n$  and  $\varepsilon$ .

Null graph has no vertices

Trivial graph has only one vertex

Simple graph has no loops or parallel edges

Complete graph, empty graph, bipartite graph

Path, Cycle, length, even, odd

Connected graph

Planar graph, planar embedding

Incidence Matrix =  $M$

Adjacency Matrix =  $A$ , and adjacency list (does not store the 0's)

Bipartite Adjacency Matrix

$d(v)$

$\delta(G) = \min(d(v))$

$\Delta(G) = \max(d(v))$

$d(G) = \text{average of } d(v)$

Theorem 1.1 – pg 7

Pf: Consider  $M$  by rows and then by columns

Corollary 1.2 – pg 7

Pf:  $2\varepsilon = \sum \text{even } d(v) + \sum \text{odd } d(v) = \text{even} + \sum \text{odd } d(v)$  implies last term is even.

$k$ -regular if  $d(v) = k$ , for all  $v$

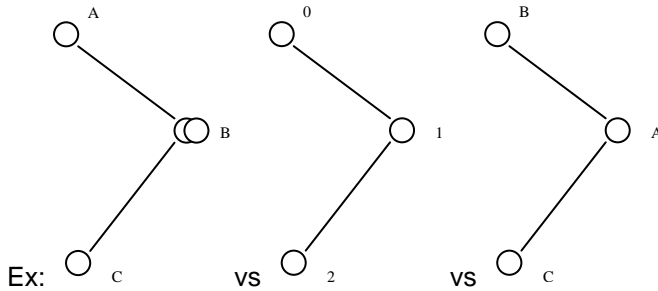
cubic graph for  $k = 3$

Proposition 1.3 - pg 8

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**1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17**

Identical graphs



Isomorphic  $G \cong H$

Note: For isomorphic graphs,  $\varphi$  is completely determined by  $\theta$  if the graphs are simple. Indeed,  $\varphi(e) = \theta(u)\theta(v)$ , whenever  $\psi(e) = uv$ .

$K_n, K_{m,n}, P_n, C_n$

Testing graph for isomorphisms

1. Same number of vertices?
2. Same number of edges?
3. Same number of vertices of similar degree?
4. Check mappings between vertices of similar degree.
5. For a simple graph, given a  $\theta$ , check  $uv \in E(G) \Leftrightarrow \theta(u)\theta(v) \in E(H)$ .  $\binom{n}{2}$  pairs.

Note: There are  $n!$  possible bijections between two graphs with  $n$  vertices each.

Automorphism. For simple graphs, an automorphism is a permutation of the vertices of the graph. Paired vertices are called similar.

Labeled graphs

Result: There are  $2^{\binom{n}{2}}$  labeled simple graph on a graph with  $n$  vertices.

The set of all graph on a given vertex set is a group called  $G_n$ .

Result: The number of unlabelled simple graph on  $n$  vertices is at least  $\left\lceil \frac{2^{\binom{n}{2}}}{n!} \right\rceil$ .

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**# 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 14, 15**

Polyhedral graphs – pg 21

Platonic graphs  
Hypercubes

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**# 2**

Disjoint graph  
Union of graphs,  $G \cup H$  or  $G+H$   
Components – pg 29.  $c(G)$  = number of components  
Intersection of graphs,  $G \cap H$   
Cartesian Product,  $G \square H$

$P_m \square P_n$  =  $m \times n$  grid  
 $C_m \square K_2$  =  $m$ -prism

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Directed graph “digraph”  
Tournament – an orientation of  $K_n$ .  
Converse – pg 33  
Principle of Directional Duality – pg 33

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Infinite graph – pg 36

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