

Graph Theory (I), Homework 1-1 by 蔡佩純

Q1: Let a rectangle T be tiled with rectangles T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n . Prove that if each T_i has an integral side, then T also has an integral side.

A1:

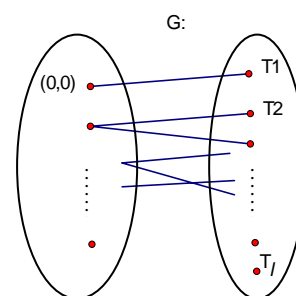
(方法一)

1° 將 T 放在第一象限的格子點上 (Z^2), 且左下角落於 $(0,0)$, 右上角的點為 (s,t) .

2° Define G , G is bipartite, and A, B are bipartite sets of G ,

where $A = Z^2 \cap T, B = \{T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n\}$

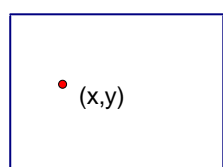
and $(x,y) \sim T_i$ if (x,y) 在 T_i 的頂點上.



3° (1) $\because (0,0)$ 只在 T_1 的頂點上 $\Rightarrow \deg(0,0) = 1$

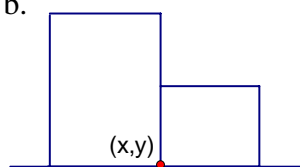
(2) Consider (x,y) 不在 T 的頂點:

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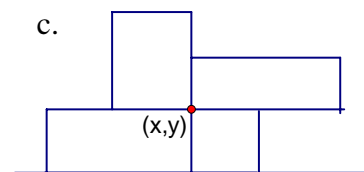
$\deg((x,y)) = 0$

b.



$\deg((x,y)) = 2$

c.



$\deg((x,y)) = 4$

$\therefore \deg((x,y)) \in \{0, 2, 4\}$ for (x,y) 不為 T 的頂點.

(3) Consider T_i 的四個頂點:

Since T_i has an integral side $\Rightarrow \deg(T_i) \in \{0, 2, 4\}$.

4° Since $\sum_{v \in V(A)} \deg(v) = \sum_{T_i \in V(B)} \deg(T_i)$ is even, and by (1), (2), (3)

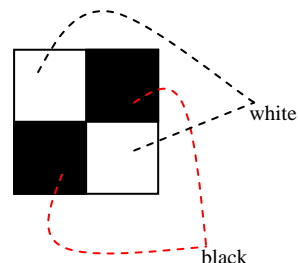
$\Rightarrow A$ 中的另一個 odd degree 必出現在 T 的頂點中. (除了 $(0,0)$ 外的 3 點).

Hence T has an integral side.

(方法二)

1° 將 T 放在第一象限的格子點上(Z_2), 且左下角落於(0,0), 右上角的點為(s,t).

2° 將每個 1×1 的格子點分割成四等分, 並塗成如右:



3° Since $\forall T_i$, T_i has an integral side.

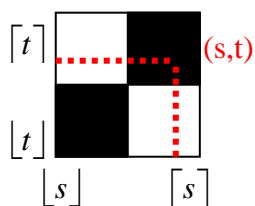
$\Rightarrow T_i$ has the same area of black and white.

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4° If s and t are both not integers, then $\lfloor s \rfloor + 1 = \lceil s \rceil$, $\lfloor t \rfloor + 1 = \lceil t \rceil$.

Both $[0, \lfloor s \rfloor] \times [0, \lfloor t \rfloor]$ and $[\lceil s \rceil, s] \times [0, \lfloor t \rfloor]$ have the same area of black and white.

The square $[\lfloor s \rfloor, \lceil s \rceil] \times [\lfloor t \rfloor, \lceil t \rceil]$ must have the same area of black and white.



But, since s and t are not integers.

$\therefore (s, t)$ 不論在哪個區域均不能平分黑與白的面積.

Hence one of s or t is an integer. i.e. T has an integral side.

Graph Theory (I), Homework 1-2 by 黃皓文

Lemma: If G is a graph with $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\}$, $p \geq 3$, then G is connected if and only if at least two of the subgraphs $G_i = G - v_i$ are connected.

Proof:

Observe that if G contains an isolated vertex, then G is reconstructible. (Degree seq. is reconstructible).

Assume that G contains no isolated vertices. Let F be a component of maximum order of G , then F is a component of maximum order among the components of $G_i = G - v_i$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$. So F is recognizable. Now, delete a vertex that is not a cut-vertex from F , obtaining F' . Let G have n components which are isomorphic to F .

Find $S = \{G_j \mid c(G_j) = c(G) \text{ and } G_j \text{ has a minimum number of components}$

isomorphic to $F\}$. It is clear that $n = m + 1$. Next, find

$S' = \{G_j \mid G_j \text{ has a maximum number of components isomorphic to } F'\}$.

Then pick some $G_i = G - v_i \in S'$. And G can be reconstructed from G_i by replacing a component of G_i isomorphic to F' by a component isomorphic to F .

Graph Theory (I), Homework 1-3 by 陳柏澍

3. Use adjacency matrix of G to find the number of 5-cycles in G .

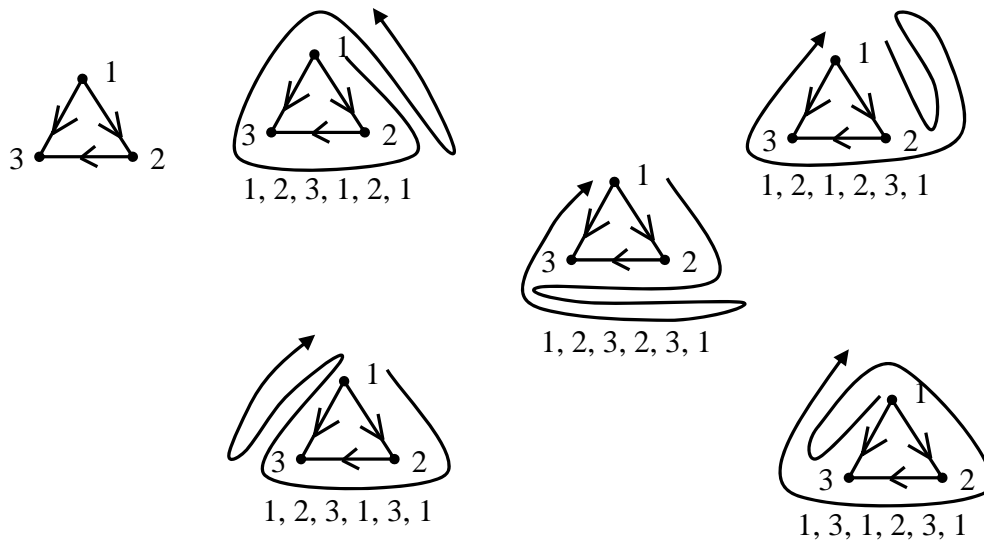
Let $A = (a_{ij})$ be the adjacency matrix of G .

Note. # of closed 5-walks is $tr(A^5)$.

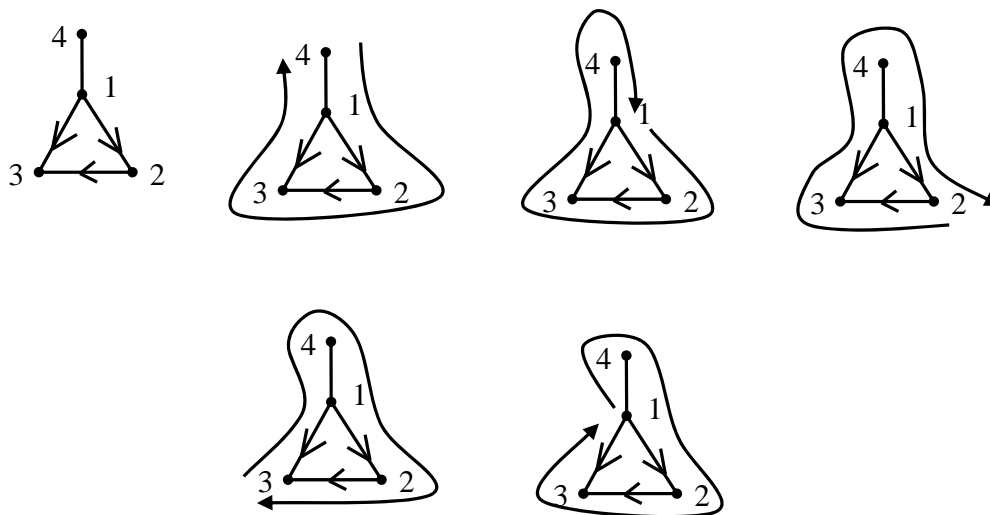
of closed 3-walks is $tr(A^3)$.

of distinct 3-walks from v_i to v_i is a_{ii} .

A closed 3-walk, say 123, will generate 5 closed 5-walks.



A closed 3-walk, say 123, together with an another edge will generate 5 closed 5-walks.



$$\begin{aligned}
\# \text{ of } 5\text{-cycles} &= \frac{1}{10}(\# \text{ of closed } 5\text{-walks} - \# \text{ of closed } 5\text{-walks with } 3 \text{ edges} - \\
&\quad \# \text{ of closed } 5\text{-walks with } 4 \text{ edges}) \\
&= \frac{1}{10}(tr(A^5) - 5tr(A^3) - 5 \sum_{i=1}^{V(G)} (\sum_{j=1}^{V(G)} a_{ij} - 2)a_{ii}^3).
\end{aligned}$$

Graph Theory (I), Homework 1-4 by 張澍仁

Theorem : (Tutte's theorem)

A graph G has a 1-factor

$$\Leftrightarrow o(G-S) \leq |S|, \text{ for all } S \subseteq V(G).$$

Let G : bridgeless cubic graph .

Claim : $o(G-S) \leq |S|$, for all $S \subseteq V(G)$

Pf : Let H be an odd component of $G-S$.

Let m be the number of edges from S to H .

$$\because \sum_{v \in V(H)} d_H(v) = 3 * |V(H)| - m$$

where $\sum_{v \in V(H)} d_H(v)$ is even and $|V(H)|$ is odd.

$\therefore m$: odd.

又 G : bridgeless , $\therefore m \geq 3$

$\Rightarrow 3 * o(G-S) \leq$ G 中所有 odd components 連到 S 的邊數

$=$ S 連到所有 odd components 的邊數

\leq S 最大可能的邊數

$= 3 * |S|$

$\Rightarrow o(G-S) \leq |S|$, for all $S \subseteq V(G)$.

□

Then by the Claim , G has a 1-factor.

\therefore Q.E.D.

Graph Theory (I), Homework 1-5 by 張雁婷

Prove that for each $g \geq 3$, a $(3, g)$ -cage has no bridge.

Pf.

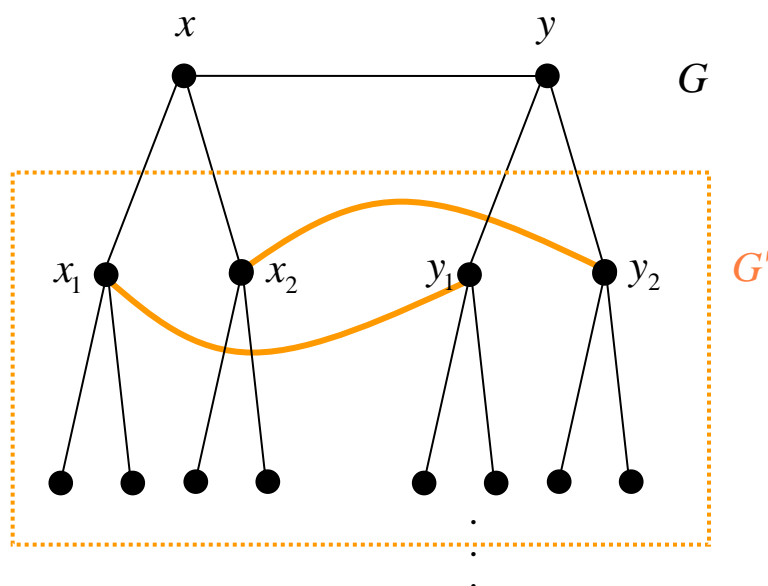
Assume we have known the lemma below: (skipping the proof)

Lemma $\forall k \geq 3$ and $3 \leq g_1 < g_2 \Rightarrow f(k; g_1) < f(k; g_2)$, where

$f(k; g)$ is the number of vertices of a (k, g) -cage.

Suppose there is a bridge $e(x, y)$ in a $(3, g)$ -cage G . Then $G - e(x, y)$ has 2 components, called G_1 and G_2 . W.L.O.G., let $x \in V(G_1)$ and $y \in V(G_2)$. Then $G_1 - x$ has two vertices x_1, x_2 with degree 2, and $G_2 - y$ also has y_1, y_2 with degree 2. Then we add $e(x_1, y_1)$ and $e(x_2, y_2)$ to connect $G_1 - x$ and $G_2 - y$, and obtain a new graph G' . Then G' is 3-regular and $g(G') \geq g(G)$, but $|V(G')| = |V(G)| - 2 < |V(G)|$, a contradiction.

Hence, a $(3, g)$ -cage has no bridge! ■



Graph Theory(I), Homework 1-6 by 羅元勳

Prove that if $k \geq 2$ and $k \mid \binom{n}{2}$, then the edge set of K_n can be partitioned into k sets E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k such that they induce k isomorphic subgraphs of K_n .

Proof.

1. (Tarsi's Theorem.) If $k \mid \binom{n}{2}$ and $k \geq \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$, then $E(K_n)$ can be partitioned into k paths with length $\frac{n(n-1)}{2k}$.
2. $E(K_{2k})$ can be partitioned into k Hamiltonian paths, and each vertex be an endpoint in a path exactly once.

Pf. Construct by deleting a vertex from the decomposition of K_{2k+1} into k Hamiltonian cycles.

3. Let $n = 2k \cdot m + a$ where $a < 2k$.
Then partition K_n into $G_1 \cup G_2 \cup \dots \cup G_m \cup G_{m+1}$ where $V(G_i) = \{v_{i,j} \mid j = 1, 2, \dots, 2k\}$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$.
By 1. and 2., for each i , G_i can be partitioned into k paths. For convenient, let $\{P_{i,1}, P_{i,2}, \dots, P_{i,k}\}$ be the path partition of G_i , $1 \leq i \leq m+1$. And for $1 \leq i \leq m$, $1 \leq j \leq k$, let $\{v_{i,2j-1}, v_{i,2j}\}$ be the endpoints of $P_{i,j}$.

Define $H_j = \bigcup_{i=1}^{m+1} P_{i,j} \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^m \bigcup_{q=1}^{2k} \bigcup_{p=i+1}^{m+1} \{v_{i,2j-1}v_{p,q}, v_{i,2j}v_{p,q}\}$.

Then $\bigcup_{j=1}^k E(H_j) = E(K_n)$, and $E(H_i) \cap E(H_j) = \emptyset$. Hence we have done.

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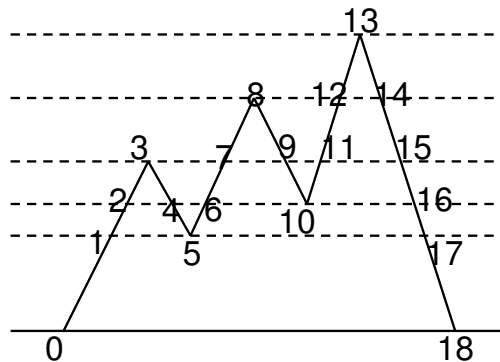
Graph Theory(I), Homework 1-7 by 陳宏賓

PROBLEM.

Hikers A and B begin at $(a, 0)$ and $(b, 0)$, respectively. Prove that A and B can meet by travelling on the mountain range in such a way that at all times their heights are the same. (Hint: Define a graph to model the movements.) Ex. 1.3.13 (D. B. West)

Proof.

在每個山峰及山谷畫延伸的水平線，一旦水平線碰到山陵線就定義一個新的點，並由 A 點到 B 點分別將這些點標號： $\{0, 1, \dots, n\}$. Then, denote order pair (a, b) as A in a and B in b at a certain time. (see the following figure)



Define a graph $G = (V, E)$, where $V = \{(a, b) : 0 \leq a \leq b \leq n, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ and $(a_1, b_1) \sim (a_2, b_2)$ if and only if A, B 可同時分別由 a_1, b_1 經過一步走到 a_2, b_2 . Then, it suffices to show that there is a path from $(0, n)$ to $(t, t) \in V(G)$ for some t .

Observe that for any two distinct a, b with $(a, b) \neq (0, n)$, we have $\deg(a, b) \in \{0, 2, 4\}$. Thus, only those vertices (t, t) can have an odd degree. Since it must be even that the total sum of vertex degrees in any component of G , there is an odd degree vertex in the same component with $(0, n)$, i.e., there is a path from $(0, n)$ to the odd degree vertex in G . Hence there exists a vertex (t, t) for some t such that A meet B at the vertex.

Graph Theory(I), Homework 1-8 by 吳政軒

8. G is a T-graph if every edge in G belongs to

$$a \triangle, \begin{cases} \frac{3n-3}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{3n-2}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases} \quad \text{即為所求}$$

Pf: By induction on n

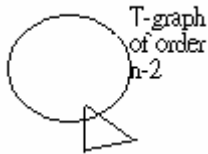
Basis case :

$$n=3 \quad \frac{3n-3}{2}=3 \Rightarrow \triangle \text{ is the only T-graph of order } 3$$

$$n=4 \quad \frac{3n-2}{2}=5 \Rightarrow \square \text{ is the only T-graph of order } 4$$

In general case,

If n is odd $\Rightarrow n-2$ is odd



is a graph of order n

$$\Rightarrow \text{the number of edges is } \frac{3(n-2)-3}{2} + 3 = \frac{3n-3}{2}$$

Let G be a T-graph of order n such that $\|G\| < \frac{3n-3}{2}$

$\Rightarrow \exists$ a vertex v_1 of degree=2, Let $N(v_1) = \{v_2, v_3\}$, then v_2, v_3 相鄰

Case(a) :

In $G-v_1$, v_2, v_3 has common neighbor, then $G-v_1$ is also a T-graph

$$\|G-v_1\| \geq \frac{3(n-1)-2}{2} = \frac{3n-5}{2} \Rightarrow \|G\| \geq \frac{3n-5}{2} + 2 = \frac{3n-1}{2} \geq \frac{3n-3}{2}$$

Case(b) :

In $G-v_1$, v_2, v_3 has no common neighbor,

then $(G-v_1) \sqcup v_2 v_3$ is also a T-graph

$$\|(G-v_1) \sqcup v_2 v_3\| \geq \frac{3(n-2)-3}{2} = \frac{3n-9}{2} \Rightarrow \|G\| \geq \frac{3n-9}{2} + 3 = \frac{3n-3}{2}$$

Hence $\frac{3n-3}{2}$ is optimal solution if n is odd.

Similar to n is even.

Graph Theory(I), Homework 1-9 by 余國安

9. Let $d_1 \leq \cdots \leq d_n$ be the vertex degrees of a simple graph G . Prove that G is connected if $d_j \geq j$ when $j \leq n - 1 - d_n$. (Hint: Consider a component that omits some vertex of maximum degree.)

Proof. Suppose $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ and $\deg_G(v_i) = d_i \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n$.

Suppose G is not connected. Let H be a connected component of G not containing v_n with degree sequence $d'_1 \leq d'_2 \leq \cdots \leq d'_k$. Then $k \leq n - 1 - d_n$, since G is simple. Thus $d'_k \geq d_k \geq k$, which is a contradiction. Hence G is connected. \square

Graph Theory(I), Homework 1-10 by 張惠蘭

PROBLEM.

Let S be an n -element set, and let $\{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$ be n distinct subsets of S . Prove that S has an element x such that $A_i \cup x$ are distinct for all i . Ex. 2.1.76 (D. B. West)

Proof.

Let S be an n -element set, and let $\{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$ be n distinct subsets of S . In the following, view A_i as a vertex. Let G be a graph with vertex set $V = \{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$. $A_i A_j \in E(G)$ iff A_i and A_j have exactly one different element.

Label edges of G by the different element of A_i and A_j if $A_i A_j \in E(G)$. Denote the label as $l : E(G) \rightarrow S$.

If $l(E(G)) \neq S$, then for any $x \in S - l(E(G))$, $A_1 \cap \{x\}, \dots, A_n \cap \{x\}$ are all distinct. Suppose $l(E(G)) = S$. Then we can find a subgraph H of G s.t. $l(E(H)) = S$ and $l(e) \neq l(e')$ for any $e \neq e'$ in $E(H)$. It is clear that $|E(H)| = n$.

On the other hand, the number of edges in a cycle of G with the same label must be even, since the element deleting from A_i on the cycle must be added back along the cycle.

Thus by the choice of H we must have that H contains no cycle. So, $|E(H)| \leq n-1$, contradicting with the previous result. Hence we have the result.