

Graph Theory









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• For $n = 1 \rightarrow m = 0$ (it holds for n=1)

• Assumption: Let that it holds for all the tree with $k \leq n$ vertices, $k \geq 2$

- Let T a tree with n vertices and m edges, and $e \in T$
- Delete *e* from $T \Rightarrow T e$ results to two trees $\Rightarrow T_1(n_1, m_1)$ and $T_2(n_2, m_2)$
 - 1. from the assumption it holds that $m_1 = n_1 1$ and $m_2 = n_2 1$
 - 2. $n = n_1 + n_2$ and $m = m_1 + m_2 + 1$

 $(1),(2) \Rightarrow m = (n_1 - 1) + (n_2 - 1) + 1 = n_1 + n_2 - 1 = n - 1$



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• It holds that 2m = 2(n-1)

• Let
$$d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n$$
 and $d_1 = 1$ and $d_i \ge 2$

• Then $\sum_{i=1}^{n} d_i \ge 1 + 2(n-1) = 2n-1$ • it holds $\sum_{i=1}^{n} d_i = 2m = 2(n-1) = 2n-2$ Contradiction!



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Corollary 2 (necessary but not sufficient condition):
 A non increasing sequence of integers, let S: d₁, d₂, ..., d_n belongs to a tree only if every d_i is a positive integer and it holds that

$$\sum_{i=1} d_i = 2(n-1)$$



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- Let that there exist a graph G with n vertices and n 1 edges which is not connected.
- In that case, it is composed by two or more components.
- Let that it is composed by two components G_1 and G_2 .
- We assume an edge let (v, w): $v \in G_1$ and $w \in G_2$. So, no cycle is constructed, since before there was no other path between v and w.
- Hence the graph *G* is a connected acyclic graph (i.e., tree) with *n* vertices and *n* edges. <u>Contradiction to Theorem 2.</u>



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Every connected graph G with n vertices and n - 1 edges is tree

• <u>Theorem 5</u>:

A graph is a tree if it is minimally connected



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- <u>Tree Requirements</u>:
 - A connected graph G with n vertices is tree:
 - If it does not contain cycles
 - If there exist a unique path between any arbitrary pair of vertices
 - If every edge is a bridge
 - If it is composed by n 1 edges
 - If it contains at least two vertices of degree 1 ($n \ge 2$)
 - If it is produced only on cycle by adding an edge.



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Suppose the sum of the positive integers $d_1, d_2, ..., d_n$ (where $n \ge 2$) is 2n-2. The number of trees with n nodes, where node degrees are $d_1, d_2, ..., d_n$, equals: $\frac{(n-2)!}{(d_1-1)!(d_2-1)! ... (d_n-1)!}$



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Arthur Cayley 1857 $C_k H_{2k+2}$, number of isomers

Carbon : 4 bonds

Hydrogen: 1 bond

$$n = k + 2k + 2 = 3k + 2$$
$$m = \frac{\Sigma d(v)}{2} = \frac{4k + 2k + 2}{2} = 3k + 1$$

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• Prufer Encoding

Input: A tree *T* with numerical labeling on its vertices a_i ($1 \le i \le n$)

Output: A Prufer sequence of length n - 2

1) For
$$i = 1: 1: n - 2$$

2) Let v the vertex with the minimum label

3) Let b_i the label of the only neighbor of vertex v

4)
$$T \leftarrow T - v$$

5) Return $S(b_1, b_2, ..., b_{n-2})$



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- We can build a tree T in a unique way from $S = (b_1, b_2, ..., b_{n-2})$ containing nonpending vertices (vertices of degree 1).
- Each element of $S = (b_1, b_2, ..., b_{n-2})$ may take values $1 \le b_i \le n$ (where $1 \le i \le n-2$) $\Rightarrow n^{n-2}$.



• Find the less number in range [1, n] that does not appear in S (Prufer Decoding).



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- 3) $F \leftarrow$ forest from n independent vertices enumerated from 1 to n
- 4) For i = 1: 1: n 2
 - a. Let k the minimum number in $L : \notin P$
 - b. Let j the first number in P
 - c. Connect by an edge the vertices k and j
 - d. Delete k from L
 - e. Delete the first appearance of j from P
- 5) Connect by an edge the vertices with the remaining numbers of P
- 6) Return the forest (tree)F



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• Corollary:

The number of discrete rooted trees with labeled vertices, of order n, are n^{n-1}

- In a rooted tree with labeled vertices, a vertex is defined to be the root.
- A non-rooted tree is also called free.
- For each one of the n^{n-2} discrete trees with labeled vertices there are produced n different rooted trees, as any vertex can be defined as root.

• Spanning Trees



- From each connected graph G(V, E) can be produced $2^{|E|}$ different subgraphs. Many of these graphs are trees.
- Spanning Tree of a connected graph G is called the tree T that is subgraph of G and it holds that V(T) = V(G).
- A spanning Tree is also called Skeleton, or Scaffolding, or Maximal Tree of *G*.
- A non-connected graph G of k components has a Spanning Forest of k Spanning Trees.
- The edges of a Spanning Tree are called **Branches**.
- The vertices of *G* that are not Branches of its Spanning Tree are called **Chords**.

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- Every connected graph G of n vertices and m edges can be considered as the union of a Spanning Tree T of n-1 branches and a subgraph \check{T} of m-n+1 chords.
- Subgraph \check{T} is the complement of Tree T by the graph G, and it is called **Chord Set** or **CoTree**. Hence, it holds that $G = T \cup \check{T}$.



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 - Let that vertex v is adjacent to vertex $w \in T$

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 - Since T v is a tree of k vertices, and the vertices of graph G v have minimum degree greater or equal to k 1, from the assumption of the induction it results that $T v \subseteq G v \subseteq G$.

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 - Since the degree of vertex w in graph G is at least k and the tree T v has k 1 vertices, it results that vertex w has an adjacent vertex in graph $G \notin V(T)$.
 - It implies that the tree T is subgraph of G.

• Spanning Trees

• <u>Theorem 11</u>:



The number of discrete Spanning Trees of a complete graph K_n is n^{n-2}

• For every tree with labeled vertices, of order n, there exists a unique Spanning Tree of graph K_n . Inversely, from each Spanning Tree of graph K_n results a unique tree with labeled vertices that is of order n.



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• <u>Theorem 12</u>:



The number of discrete Spanning Trees of a complete bipartite graph $K_{n,m}$ is $m^{n-1}n^{m-1}$.

• $K_{2,n} \rightarrow n \ 2^{n-1}$



- The vertices a, b are connected with vertex x by n different ways.
- The rest n 1 vertices can be connected either with vertex a or with vertex b
- ... $n 2^{n-1}$ discrete Spanning Trees

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$$K_{3,n} \rightarrow n^2 3^{n-1}$$

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- There exists 6 cases with a,b,c and y,z.
- The vertices y and z can be selected by $\binom{n}{2} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ ways.
- (a) For paths of length 2: $n 3^{n-1}$
- (b) For paths of length 4: 6 $\frac{n(n-1)}{2} 3^{n-2}$

From $(a) + (b) \rightarrow n(n-1)3^{n-1}$



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 - > C(i,j) = 0 for $i \neq j$ and $C(i,i) = d(v_i)$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$.
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- **Distance** of Spanning Trees is the number of edges that belong to a Spanning Tree but not in another.
 - $dist(T_i, T_j) = dist(T_j, T_i)$
 - $dist(T_i, T_j) \ge 0, (dist(T_i, T_i) = 0)$
 - $dist(T_i, T_j) \leq dist(T_i, T_u) + dist(T_u, T_j)$

• <u>Theorem 15</u>:

The maximum distance between two Spanning Trees T_i and T_j of a connected graph G(V, E) is $\max(dist(T_i, T_j)) \le \min(n - 1, m - n - 1)$

- **Central** is the Spanning Tree T_0 if it holds that $(dist(T_0, T_i)) \le \max(dist(T, T_i)) \forall T$ Spanning Trees of *G*. Hence, a graph may has more than one Central Spanning Trees
- Weighted Spanning Trees: Find Minimum Spanning Trees utilizing the algorithms of Kruskal, Prim, or Boruvka.