

1. How many subgraphs with at least one vertex does W_3 have ?

Solution: W_3 is the same as K_4 . There are clearly just 4 subgraphs consisting of one vertex. If a subgraph is to have 2 vertices, then there are $C(4, 2) = 6$ ways to choose the vertices, and then 2 ways in each case to decide whether or not to include the edge joining them. This gives us $6 \times 2 = 12$ subgraphs with 2 vertices. If a subgraph is to have three vertices, then there are $C(4, 3) = 4$ ways to choose the vertices, and then $2^3 = 8$ ways to decide whether to include the edges. This gives us $4 \times 8 = 32$ subgraphs with three vertices. Finally, there are the subgraphs containing all four vertices. Here there are $2^6 = 64$ ways to decide the edges. So total is $4 + 12 + 32 + 64 = 112$.

2. Show that if G is a bipartite simple graph with v vertices and e edges, then $e \leq v^2/4$.

Solution: Suppose the parts are of size k and $v - k$. Then the maximum number of

edges the graph may have is $f(k) = k(v - k)$. Taking the derivative $f'(k) = v - 2k = 0$ we get $k = v/2$. So there are at most $f(v/2) = v^2/4$ edges.

3. What is the sum of the entries in a row of the adjacency matrix for an undirected graph? For a directed graph ?

Solution: For an undirected graph, the sum of the entries in the i th row is the same as the corresponding column sum, namely the number of edges incident to vertex i , which is the same as the degree of vertex i minus the number of loops at vertex i .

In a directed graph, the sum of the entries in the i th row is the number of edges that have vertex i as their initial vertex, i.e., the out-degree of vertex i .

4. Show that if G is a self-complementary simple graph with n vertices, then $n \equiv 0$ or $1 \pmod{4}$.

Solution: If G is self-complementary, then the number of edges must equal the number

of edges of G^c . But the sum of these two numbers is $n(n - 1)/2$, where n is the number of vertices of G , since the union of the two graphs is K_n . Therefore, the number of edges of G must be $n(n - 1)/4$. Since this number must be an integer, we get $n \equiv 0$ or $1 \pmod{4}$.

5. Define isomorphism of directed graphs.

Solution: We need only modify the definition of isomorphism of simple graph slightly. The directed graph $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$ and $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$ are isomorphic if there is a one-to-one and onto function $f : V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ such that for all pairs of vertices a and b in V_1 , $(a, b) \in E_1$ if and only if $(f(a), f(b)) \in E_2$.

6. What is the product of the incidence matrix and its transpose for an undirected graph ?

Solution: Let the elements of the product matrix be a_{ij} . Then for nondiagonal element a_{ij} , it is the number of edges from vertex v_i to v_j . For diagonal element a_{ii} , it is the number of edges incident to v_i .

7. Prove that the any simple graph with 2 or more vertices contains at least two vertices with same degree.

Solution: Let G be a simple graph with $n \geq 2$ vertices. Since G is simple, the degree of any vertex in G is at most $n - 1$. Therefore, there are n possibilities for the degree of a vertex in G . However, if G has a vertex with degree 0 then it cannot have a vertex with degree $n - 1$, and vice-versa. Therefore, there are in fact only $n - 1$ different possibilities for the degrees. Thus, by the Pigeonhole Principle, at least two of the vertices in G must have the same degree.

8. Prove that any set of 7 distinct positive integers not exceeding 12 must contain at least one pair of integers whose difference is 6.

Solution: Let the 7 distinct integers are a_1, a_2, \dots, a_7 . We know $a_i \pmod{6}$ can take 6 values, but there are 7 integers. By Pigeonhole Principle, there are at least two integers (a_p and a_q) having the same remainder. Be-

cause a_i are distinct and not exceeding 12,
we can conclude that $|a_p - a_q| = 6$.