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1. (i) (a) yes  
 (b) no  
 (c) no

(ii) yes

(iii) no

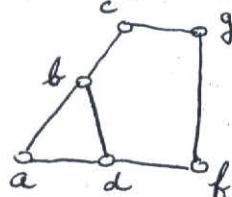
(iv) no

(v) yes

(vi) no

(vii) yes  $a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow g \rightarrow f \rightarrow e \rightarrow d \rightarrow a$

(viii)  $(3, 3, 2, 2, 2, 2)$



(ix) 3

(x) degree sequence for  $G: (5, 4, 4, 3, 3, 3, 2)$   
 $\sum$  degrees =  $5+4+4+3+3+3+2$   
 $= 24$

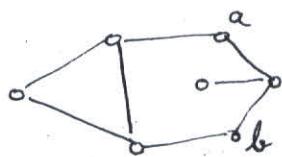
no. of edges in  $G = 12$ .

no. of edges in  $K_7 = \frac{7 \times 6}{2} = 21$   
 so, no. of edges in  $\overline{G} = 21 - 12 = 9$ .

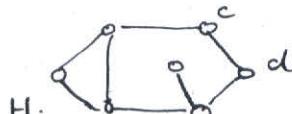
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2. (i) The graphs are not isomorphic.

$G:$



$H:$



For the graph,  $G$ : the two vertices  $b$  of degree 2 are not adjacent; however, for graph,  $H$ : the two vertices of degree 2,  $c, d$ , are adjacent.

(ii) Hand-shaking lemma:

In any graph, the sum of the degrees of the vertices is twice the no. of edges.

In  $G$ , suppose that there is an odd no. of vertices with odd degree.

$$\text{Then } \sum_{v \in G} \text{degrees} = \text{an odd no.} \neq 2 \times \text{no. of edges}$$

Hence there is a contradiction.

Thus, the no. of vertices of odd degree is even.

(iii) If  $G$  had an isolated vertex, the most no. of edges that  $G$  can have is

$$\binom{v-1}{2} = \frac{(v-1)(v-2)}{2}.$$

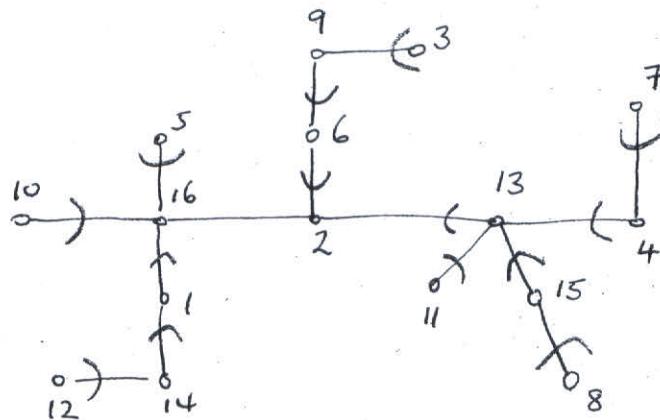
However,  $G$  has more than  $\frac{(v-1)(v-2)}{2}$  edges.

Thus  $G$  has no isolated vertices.

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3. (i)

(a)



vertex	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
degree	2	3	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	4	2	2	4

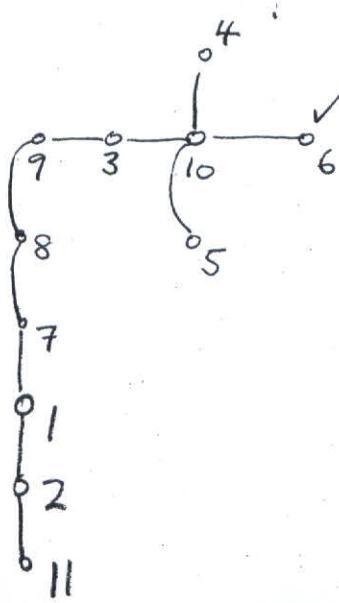
$(10, 10, 10, 3, 9, 8, 7, 1, 2)$

(b)  $(10, 10, 10, 3, 9, 8, 7, 1, 2)$ .

We want a graph on 11 vertices.  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$   
leaves are  $4, 5, 6, 11$

vertex	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
degree	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	4	1

$(10, 10, 10, 3, 9, 8, 7, 1, 2)$   
 $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$

edge  $(10, 4)$   $\times$ edge  $(10, 5)$   $\times$ edge  $(10, 6)$   $\times$ edge  $(3, 10)$   $\times$ edge  $(9, 3)$   $\times$ edge  $(8, 9)$   $\times$ edge  $(7, 8)$   $\times$ edge  $(1, 7)$   $\checkmark$ edge  $(2, 7)$ edge  $(2, 11)$ 

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3. (ii) (a)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & g & f \\ a & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ b & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ g & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ f & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{trace of } A^3 &= 6 \times \text{no. of triangles in } G \\ &= 6 \times 2 \\ &= 12. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let  $G$  be a connected simple labelled graph with adjacency matrix  $A$  and degree matrix  $D$ .

Then all cofactors of  $M = D - A$  are equal and their common value is the no. of spanning trees of  $G$ .

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{cofactor} = (-1) \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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3.(ii)(b)(cont'd)

$$= (-1) \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 4 & -4 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \quad R_2 = R_2 - R_3$$

$$= (-1)(-1) \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 4 & -4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (-1)(-1)(4+4) = 8.$$

4. (i) Given a connected weighted graph,  $G$ , with  $n$  vertices.

- (1) List the edges in order of increasing weight
- (2) Construct the tree by first drawing the  $n$  vertices (with no edges)
- (3) Add an edge of least weight.
- (4) Continue adding edges of least weight, without making a cycle, until we have a spanning tree (i.e. have  $n-1$  edges).

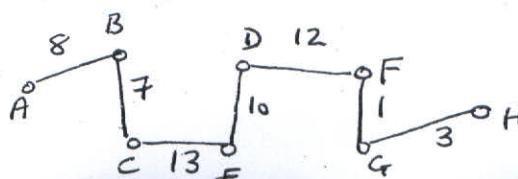
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 AC ✓ 1  
 BD ✓ 4 ✓  
 BC ✓ 7 ✓  
 CD 2 ✓  
 CE 13 ✓  
 DE 10 ✓  
 DF 12 ✓  
 EF 2 ✓  
 EG 1 ✓  
 FG 1 ✓  
 FH 1  
 GH 3 ✓  
 BE 5 ✓

The algorithm is adapted by :

- (a) starting with ~~GF~~ (whatever its weight is)
- (b) listing the edges in decreasing weight order
- (c) adding edges of most weight.

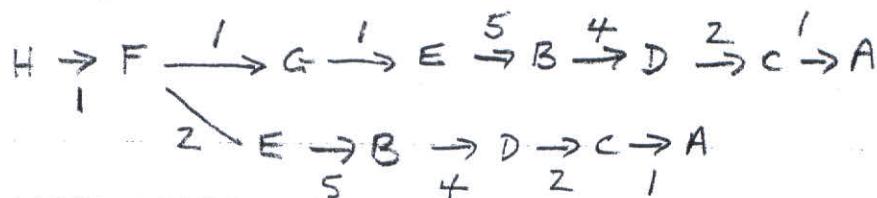
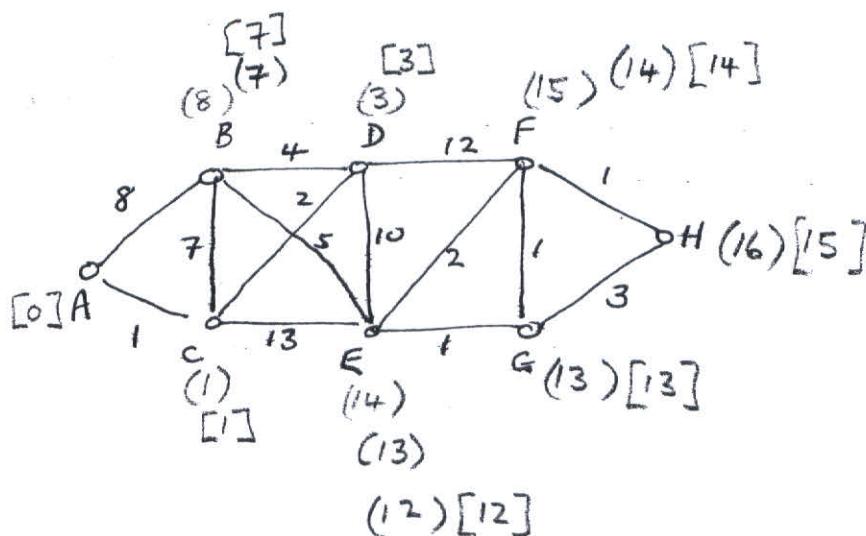
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 GF CE DF DE AB BC BE BD GH CD EF EG FH  
 1 13 12 10 8 7 5 4 3 2 2 1 1

Eight vertices, so need  $8-1=7$  edges



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4. (ii)



5. (i) (a)  $v - e + f = 2$

(b) If every face of  $G$  is bounded by at least 4 edges, then

$$4f \leq 2e$$

[because, if every face is a 4-cycle, ea. edge of  $G$  is on 2 faces + ea. face has 4 edges]

Substituting into Euler's formula:

$$v - e + f = 2$$

$$4v - 4e + 4f = 8$$

$$\cancel{4v - 4e} - \cancel{4f} = 8 - 4v + 4e \leq 2e$$

$$2e \leq 4v - 8$$

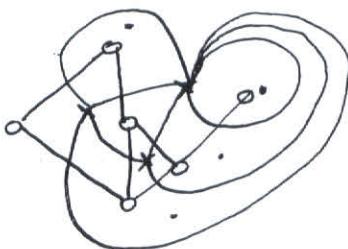
$$e \leq 2v - 4$$

(c)  $K_{3,3}$  is bipartite, so it has no odd cycles (in part. no 3-cycles). Also  $e = 9$ ,  $+ 2v - 4 = 8$ . So  $e \neq 2v - 4$ . Hence  $K_{3,3}$  is not planar.

5. (ii) (a) The graph  $G$  is connected and has no bridges. Hence, by Robbins' Theorem, it is orientable.

(b)  $G^*$  has 3 vertices and 6 faces

(c)



6. (i) The chromatic number for a graph is the minimum no. of colours needed to properly colour (the vertices of)  $G$ .

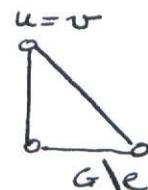
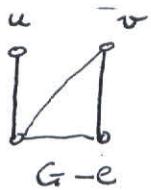
$P_G(t)$  is the no. of different colourings of a labelled simple graph  $G$  from  $t$  colours.

(ii) Let  $G$  be a simple connected graph with largest-degree of  $G$ ,  $\Delta (\geq 3)$ .

If  $G$  is not a complete graph then  $G$  is  $\Delta$ -colourable.

$$e = uv$$

(iii)



$$P_G(t) = P_{G-e}(t) - P_{G/e}(t)$$

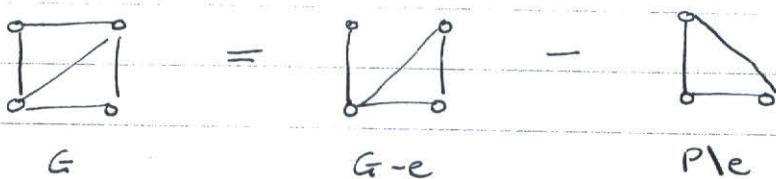
$e = uv$  exists in  $G$

$$P_G(t) = P_{G+e}(t) + P_{G/e}(t)$$

$u, v$  non-adj in  $G$

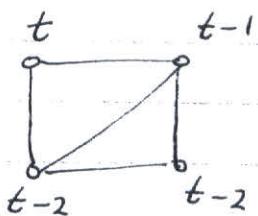
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6. (iii) (cont'd)



$$\begin{aligned}
 P_G(t) &= (t-1)t(t-1)(t-2) - t(t-1)(t-2) \\
 &= t(t-1)(t-2) [t-2] \\
 &= t(t-1)(t-2)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

OR



$$P_G(t) = t(t-1)(t-2)^2.$$

7. (i) A tree is a connected acyclic graph.

(ii) Let  $P_1 = x_0 x_1 \dots x_l$

$P_2 = x_0 y_1 \dots y_k x_l$

be 2 distinct paths in a tree  $T$ .

Let  $i+1$  be the minimal index s.t.

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

Let  $j$  be the minimal index for which  $j > i$  and  $y_{j+1}$  is a vertex of  $P_1$  (say  $y_{j+1} = x_h$ ). Then  $x_i x_{i+1} \dots x_h y_j y_{j-1} \dots y_{j+1}$  is a cycle in  $T$ . A contradiction.

Thus, in  $T$ , any 2 distinct vertices are connected by a unique path.

(iii) No. of edges =  $v-1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv)} \quad \sum_{v \in V(T)} \deg(v) &= 2 \times (\text{no. of edges}) \\ &= 2(v-1). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v)} \quad \sum_{v \in V(T)} \deg(v) &= p + \sum_{\substack{\text{vertices} \\ \text{degree} \geq 2}} \deg(v) \geq p + 2(v-p) \\ &\quad \text{(there are } v-p \text{ of these)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore p + 2(v-p) \geq 2(v-1).$$

or

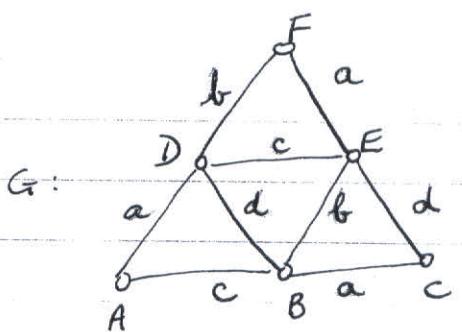
$$p \geq 2.$$

(vi)  $F$  is a forest, so each component is a tree.

As there are 29 vertices and only 5 components, not all trees in  $F$  are isolated vertices. Hence, the chromatic no. of at least one component is 2 (the chromatic no. of a non-trivial tree is 2). Hence the chromatic no. of  $F$  is 2.

8. (i) The minimum  $k$  for which a graph is  $k$ -edge colourable is its edge chromatic no. (or its chromatic index).
- (ii) If  $G$  is a simple graph with largest degree  $\Delta$ , then  $\chi'(G) = \Delta$  or  $\Delta+1$ .

(iv)



Maximum degree = 4. So  $\chi'(G) = 4$  or 5.

a 4-edge colouring of  $G$  is exhibited above.

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9. (i) A tournament  $T$  is transitive if whenever  $uv$  and  $vw$  are arcs in  $T$  then  $uw$  is also an arc in  $T$ .
- (ii) A sequence  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n$  of non-negative integers is called a score sequence of a tournament if  $\exists$  a tournament (with  $n$  vertices) whose vertices can be labelled  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  s.t.  $\text{outdeg}(v_i) = s_i$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .
- (iii) Let  $T$  be a transitive tournament (with  $n$  vertices).  
 Let  $u$  and  $w$  be 2 vertices of  $T$ .  
 We assume (without loss of generality) that  $uw$  is an arc of  $T$ .  
 Let  $W = \{v : wv \text{ is an arc of } T\}$   
 $=$  set of vertices adjacent from  $w$   
 $\text{outdeg}(w) = |W|$ .  
 For each  $v \in W$ ,  $wv$  is an arc of  $T$ .  
 As  $T$  is transitive,  $uv$  is an arc  
 $[uw \text{ is an arc, } wv \text{ is an arc, so } uv \text{ is an arc}]$   
 Thus,  $\text{outdeg}(u) \geq |W| + 1$  and  
 hence  $\text{outdeg}(u) \neq \text{outdeg}(w)$ .
- (iv) If there are 2 semi-Hamiltonian paths in a transitive tournament  $T$ , then there will be two vertices  $x$  and  $y$  s.t. in one path  $x$  precedes  $y$ , and in the other,  $y$  precedes  $x$ .  
 By transitivity  $\exists$  an arc  $xy$  and an arc  $yx$  in  $T$ . This is a contradiction. Thus  $\exists$  a unique semi-Hamiltonian path in  $T$ .