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graph connectivity, trees

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Using Course notes: average analysis; graphs



Outline

notes

must be connected

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \exists M \in \mathbb{N}, \forall G = (V, E), (|V| = n \wedge |E| \geq M) \Rightarrow G \text{ is connected?}$



maybe be connected

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \exists G = (V, E), |V| = n \wedge |E| = n - 1 \wedge G \text{ is connected}$



must be disconnected

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \forall G = (V, E), (|V| = n \wedge |E| \leq n - 2) \Rightarrow G \text{ is not connected}$

steps:

- ▶ natural to reason by removing an edge from a connected graph with $n - 1$ edges...
- ▶ first need some results about which components of connected graphs have redundant edges (cycles)...
- ▶ then need some results about connected graphs without cycles (trees)...
- ▶ then reason about reducing an arbitrary connected graph to a tree...

whew!



cycle

consecutively adjacent vertices $v_0, \dots, v_k \in V \wedge k \geq 3$,

all distinct except $v_0 = v_k$

$\forall G = (V, E), \forall e \in E, G \text{ connected} \Rightarrow (e \text{ in a cycle of } G \Leftrightarrow G - e \text{ connected})$



tree: connected, acyclic graph

removing any edge from a tree disconnects it

$\forall G = (V, E), G \text{ is a tree} \Rightarrow |E| = |V| - 1$

but first...

$\forall G = (V, E), (G \text{ is a tree} \wedge |V| \geq 2) \Rightarrow (\exists v \in V, d(v) = 1)$



main result...

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^+, \forall G = (V, E), (G \text{ is a tree} \wedge |V| = n) \Rightarrow |E| = |V| - 1$



big picture...

Notes