

# 01/30/2018 Class Notes

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The following will be notes that were taken during the first lecture of class (01/30/2018). This lecture went over sections 1.1 1.2. This lecture consisted of multiple definitions to prepare students for the remainder of the class lectures.

## 0.1 Set

A **set**  $S$  is a collection of objects which can appear in the set at most once.

$$\text{Ex: } S = \{a, b, c, d\}$$

$$\text{Not an Ex: } S = \{a, a, b\}$$

Notation:

Write  $a \in S$  if  $a$  is an element of  $S$ .

$z \notin S$  if  $z$  is not an element of  $S$ .

### 0.1.1 Subset

$A \subset B$  If  $A$  is a subset of  $B$ .

$$\text{Ex: } \{a, b\} \subset \{a, b, c\}$$

$$\text{Not an Ex: } S = \{a, a, b\}$$

$A \subseteq B$  If  $A$  is a subset of  $B$  that might be the entire set.

So  $A$  could equal  $B$ .

## 0.2 Graph

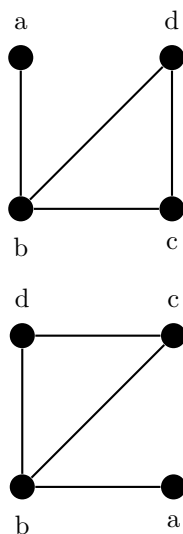
A **graph**  $G$  is an ordered pair  $\{V, E\}$  where  $V$  is a finite set of vertices and  $E$  is a set of pairs of vertices called **edges**

**Example:**  $G = \{\{a, b, c, d\}, \{\{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{c, d\}, \{d, b\}\}\}$

**Vertices** =  $\{a, b, c, d\}$

**Edges** =  $\{\{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{c, d\}, \{d, b\}\}$

The following two graphs below are the same graph.



**Note:** When creating the graphs, the 'dots' can be put anywhere. It does not matter how you draw the graph, as long as the edges connect together the same way.

### 0.2.1 Edges

Notation for edges  $UV$  for the edge  $\{u, v\}$

$$UV = \{u, v\}$$

We can say that U and V are **adjacent**, **neighbors** or **joined**, are all words meaning that there is an edge from u to v.

$V(G)$  = Set of vertices of G

$E(G)$  = Set of edges of G

**Example:**

$$V(G) = \{a, b, c, d\}$$

$$E(G) = \{ab, bc, cd, db\}$$

### 0.3 Order

The **Order** of a graph is the number of vertices in the graph.

### 0.4 Size

The **Size** of a graph is the number of edges in the graph.

### 0.5 Trivial Graph

The **trivial graph** is the unique graph with one vertex.

Sometimes we don't care about the names of the vertices and we only care about the shape.

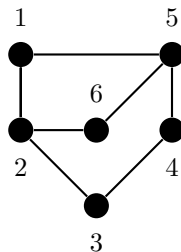
Call a graph an **unlabeled graph** if we only care about the structure of the graph and not the vertex labels.

A **labeled graph** is when each vertex has a unique name.

$$G = \{\{i \mid 1 \leq i \leq 6\}, \{i, j\} \mid i - j = n^2\}$$

In English: Take all pairs  $\{i, j\}$  where  $i$  and  $j$  are valid vertices and include them in the edge set **IF** their difference is a square.

We do not care what square they make.

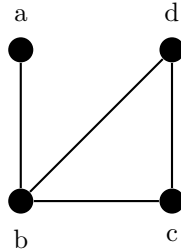


### 0.6 Subgraph

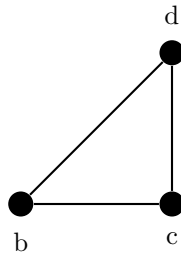
Def: Say  $H$  is a **subgraph** of  $G$  and write  $H \subseteq G$  if  $V(H) \subseteq V(G)$  and  $E(H) \subseteq E(G)$

Example:

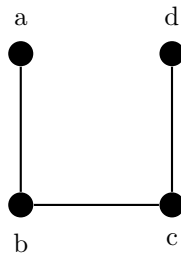
$G =$



$H_1 =$



$H_2 =$



$H_3 =$



$H_1$ ,  $H_2$ , and  $H_3$  are all subgraphs of  $G$ .

### 0.7 Induced Subgraph

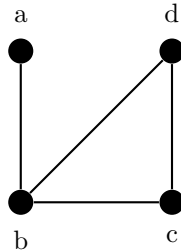
Def: Say  $H$  is an **induced subgraph** of  $G$  if  $V(H) \subset V(G)$  and for any two  $U, V \in V(H)$

$UV \in E(H)$  if  $UV \in E(G)$

We can think of an induced subgraph as being a subset of the vertices with all of the edges still included if their vertices are.

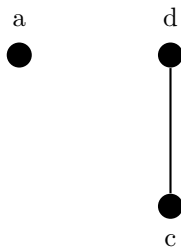
Say that  $H$  is the subgraph induced by  $S$  if  $S \subset V(G)$  and  $H$  is the graph with vertex set  $S$  that is an induced subgraph of  $G$ .

$G =$



Subgraph induced by  $\{a, c, d\}$  we get:

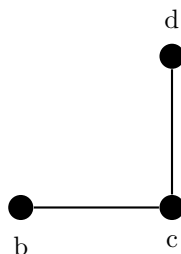
$H =$



Def:  $H$  is an **edge-induced-subgraph** of  $G$  if  $E(H) \subset E(G)$  and the vertex set of  $H$  consists of all vertices with at least one edge connected.

Edge induced subgraph of the set  $\{bc, cd\}$ . This is a subset of the edges of  $G$ . The edge induced subgraph is:

$H =$

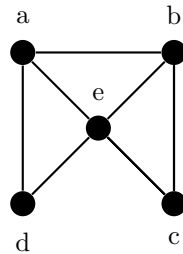


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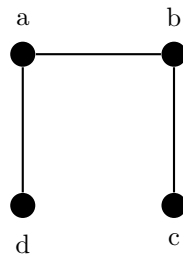
$G - V$  is the subgraph induced by the vertex set  $V(G) \setminus \{V\}$ .

This is the graph with all of the vertices in  $G$  besides  $V$  and all of the edges except the ones that were connected to  $V$ .

$G =$



$G - e =$



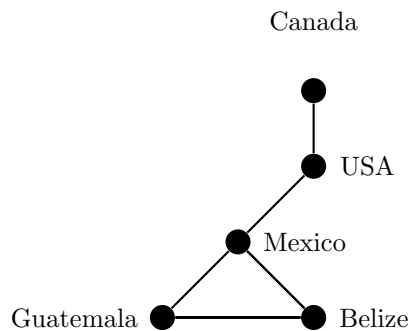
# 1 Moving on a Graph

How can we move around on a graph?

## 1.1 Walk

A **Walk** on a graph  $G$  is a sequence of vertices  $(V_1, V_2, V_3, \dots, V_e)$

where any two consecutive vertices in the walk are connected by an edge.



A walk about be

(USA, Canada, USA, Mexico, Guatemala)

## 1.2 Trail

A **Trail** is a walk in which no edge occurs multiple times in the walk.

*Example : (Mexico, Guatemala, Belize)*

*Example : (Mexico, Guatemala, Belize, Mexico, USA)*

Both examples above are trails because we didn't go on multiple edges. We only went over multiple vertices.

## 1.3 Path

A **Path** is a walk where no vertex appears multiple times.

**Note: Every path is also a trail.**