

M.Sc. Sem II, Paper VGraph Theory (continued)

- (II) By allowing E to contain both directed or undirected edges, we obtain a Mixed Graph.
- (III) By allowing repeated elements in the set of edges. i.e., by replacing E with a multiset, we obtain a Multi Graph.
- (IV) By allowing edges to connect a vertex to itself (a loop), we obtain Pseudo graphs.
- (V) By allowing the edges to be arbitrary subsets of vertices, not necessarily of size two, we obtain Hypergraphs.
- (VI) By allowing V and E to be infinite sets, we obtain infinite graphs.

Simple graph - A graph that is a finite undirected graph without loops and multiple edges.

* The sets of vertices and edges of a graph G will be denoted $V(G)$ and $E(G)$, respectively.

* For notational convenience, instead of representing an edge by $\{a, b\}$ we shall denote it by ab .

Adjacent, Neighbour, vertex degree

Let u, v be two vertices of a graph G .

(i) If $uv \in E(G)$, then u, v are said to be adjacent, in which case we also say that u is connected to v or u is a neighbour of v . If $uv \notin E(G)$, then

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u and v are nonadjacent (not connected non-neighbours),

② The neighbourhood of a vertex $v \in V(G)$, denoted $N(v)$, is the set of vertices adjacent to v , i.e. $N(v) = \{u \in V(G) \mid vu \in E(G)\}$. The closed neighbourhood of v is denoted and defined as $N[v] = N(v) \cup \{v\}$.

③ If $e = uv$ is an edge of G , then e is incident to u and v . We also say that u and v are the endpoints of e .

④ The degree of $v \in V(G)$, denoted $\deg(v)$, is the number of edges incident to v . Alternatively, $\deg(v) = |N(v)|$. If $\deg(v) = 0$, then vertex v is called isolated. If $\deg(v) = 1$, then vertex v and the only edge incident to v are called pendant. The max^m. vertex degree and the min^m. vertex degree in a graph G are denoted by $\Delta(G)$ and $\delta(G)$, respectively.

PATH of Graph - A path in a graph is a sequence of distinct vertices v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k such that $v_i v_{i+1}$ is an edge for each $i = 1, \dots, k-1$. The length of a path P is the number of ~~edges~~ edges in P . A chord in a path is an edge connecting two non-consecutive vertices. A chordless path is a path without chords.

A graph G is connected if every pair of distinct vertices is joined by a path. Otherwise it is disconnected.

The distance between two vertices a and b , denoted $\text{dist}(a, b)$, is the length of a shortest path joining them.

The diameter of a connected graph, denoted $\text{diam}(G)$, is $\max_{a, b \in V(G)} \text{dist}(a, b)$.