



# Chapter 1

## Basic Concepts of Graphs

### § 1.9 Hamiltonian Graphs (2)



# 1.9 Hamiltonian Graphs

- **Theorem 1.9:**  $G$ : a simple undirected graph of  $v \geq 3$

$$d_G(x) + d_G(y) \geq v, \forall x, y \in V(G), xy \notin E(G) (\star) \Rightarrow G \text{ is hamiltonian}$$

<Proof 2> (1/2)

By exercise 1.5.6(c),  $\because G$  satisfies  $(\star)$ .  $\therefore G$  is connected and contains a cycles.

Let  $C = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k, x_1)$  be a longest cycle in  $G$ .

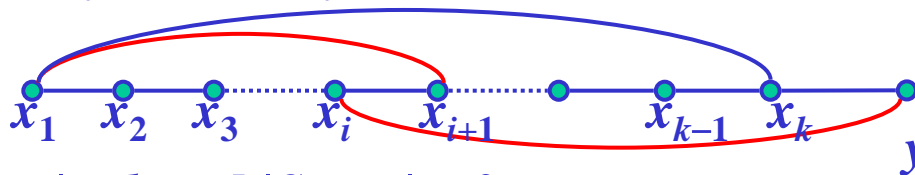
Suppose  $k < v$ , let  $R = V(G) \setminus V(C)$ .

$\because G$  is connected,  $\therefore$  W.L.O.G.,  $\exists y \in R$ , s.t.  $yx_k \in E(G)$ .

$\because C$  is largest,  $\therefore x_1y \notin E(G)$ .

Let  $S = \{x_i \in V(C) : x_1x_{i+1} \in E(G), 1 \leq i \leq k-1\}$ ,

$T = \{x_j \in V(C) : x_jy \in E(G), 2 \leq j \leq k\}$ .



$$\Rightarrow |S \cup T| \leq k \text{ and } |S \cap T| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow d_{G[V(C) \cup \{y\}]}(x_1) + d_{G[V(C) \cup \{y\}]}(y) = |S| + |T| = |S \cup T| \leq k \quad \text{--- ①}$$



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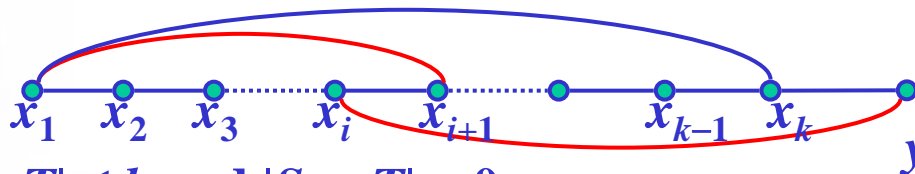
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$\because C$  is largest.  $\therefore \forall z \in R \setminus \{y\}$ , either  $x_1 z \notin E(G)$  or  $yz \notin E(G)$

$$\Rightarrow |(\{x_1\}, R - \{y\})| + |(\{y\}, R - \{y\})| \leq v - k - 1 \quad \text{--- ②}$$

$$\text{①} + \text{②} \Rightarrow d_G(x_1) + d_G(y) \leq k + v - k - 1 = v - 1 \quad \rightarrow \leftarrow$$

$\therefore k = v$ , i.e.  $G$  is hamiltonian.



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- **Corollary 1.9**: Every simple graph with  $v \geq 3$  and  $\delta \geq (1/2)v$  is hamiltonian.
- **Def**: For a digraph  $G$ ,  $x \in V(G)$ ,  $d_G(x) = d_G^+(x) + d_G^-(x)$ .
- **Theorem 1.10**: Let  $C = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k, x_1)$  be a longest directed cycle in a strongly connected simple digraph  $G$ . (the index calculate in mod  $k$ , and  $0 = k$ )  
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- **Corollary 1.10.1**:  $G$ : a strongly connected simple digraph.  
 $\forall$  nonadjacent vertices  $x, y \in V(G)$ ,  $d_G(x) + d_G(y) \geq 2\nu - 1$   
 $\Rightarrow G$  is hamiltonian.

**Proof.**

If not, then by Thm 1.10,  $\exists x$  and  $x_{a+b} \in V(G)$ , s.t.

(ii)  $(x, x_{a+b}), (x_{a+b}, x) \notin E(G)$ , and

(iii)  $d_G(x) + d_G(x_{a+b}) \leq 2\nu - 1 - b \leq 2\nu - 2 \rightarrow \leftarrow$

- **Corollary 1.10.2**:  $G$ : a strongly connected simple digraph,  
 $\forall x \in V(G)$ ,  $d_G(x) \geq \nu \Rightarrow G$  is hamiltonian.
- **Corollary 1.10.3**:  $G$ : a simple digraph,  $\delta \geq (1/2)\nu > 1 \Rightarrow G$  is hamiltonian.  
By exercise 1.5.8(a) and Corollary 1.10.1.





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**Proof.** (1/6) (略)

Let  $S = V(C)$ ,

$\because G$  is strongly connected and  $|S| < \nu$ .

$\therefore \exists x_i, x_j \in S$  and  $(x_i, x_j)$ -path  $P$  in  $G$  s.t.  $V(P) - S \neq \emptyset$  and  $V(P) \cap S = \{x_i, x_j\}$

If  $x_i \neq x_j$ , we say  $P$  is an  $S$ -path, else say an  $S$ -cycle.

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**Proof.** (2/6)

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Let  $P = (x_a, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_t, x_a)$  be an  $S$ -cycle with  $x_a \in S$ .

Let  $x = y_1$  and  $b = 1$

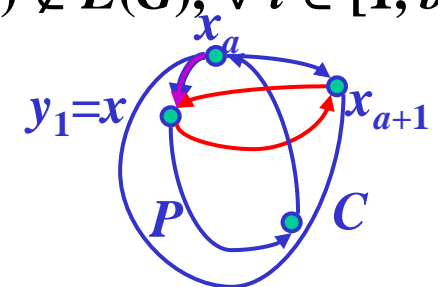
Note that  $(x_a, x) \in E(G)$ , and  $\therefore$  no  $S$ -path.  $\therefore (x_{a+1}, x), (x, x_{a+1}) \notin E(G)$

Obviously,  $|\{x_{a+1}\}, S| \leq 2(k - 1)$  — ①

(ii)

$\therefore G$  contains no  $S$ -path.  $\therefore \forall i \in [1, k]$  and  $i \neq a, (x, x_i), (x_i, x) \notin E(G)$

$\Rightarrow |\{x\}, S| \leq 2$  — ②









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**Proof. (4/6)**

Case 2:  $G$  contains an  $S$ -path.

Let  $P = (x_a, y_1, \dots, y_t, x_{a+r})$  be an  $S$ -path with  $x_a \in S$ , s.t.  $r$  is as small as possible.

Let  $x = y_1$  (Note that,  $(x_a, x) \in E(G)$ .)

$\because C$  is longest.  $\therefore r \geq 2$  and  $(x, x_{a+1}) \notin E(G)$ . (i)  $\rightarrow$  (ii)

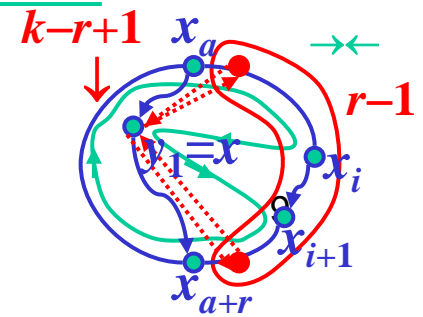
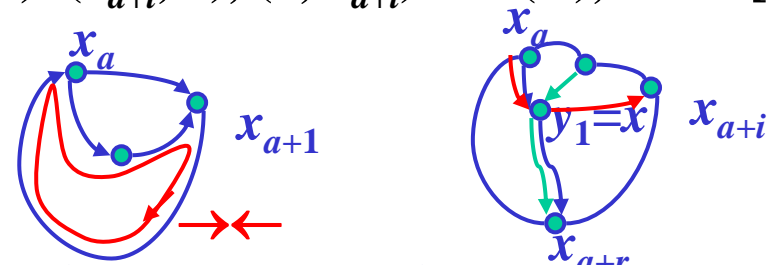
$\because r$  is as small as possible,  $\therefore \forall i \in [2, r - 1], (x, x_{a+i}), (x_{a+i}, x) \notin E(G)$

and  $(x_{a+1}, x) \notin E(G)$

$\because C$  is longest,  $\therefore \forall i \in [1, k], (x_i, x)$  or  $(x, x_{i+1}) \notin E(G)$ .

$$\Rightarrow |[x], S| \leq 2k - [(k - r) + 2(r - 1)]$$

$$= k - r + 2 \quad \text{--- ①} \quad \text{(c) Spring 2019, Justie Su-Tzu Juan}$$





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**Proof. (5/6)**

$\forall y \in V \setminus (S \cup \{x\})$  and  $\forall i \in [1, r - 1]$ .

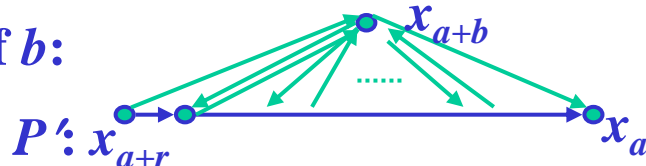
$\therefore$  The choice of  $r, |\{\{y\}, \{x, x_{a+i}\}\}| \leq 2$  ——— ②

Let  $b$  be the maximum  $i \in [1, r - 1]$  s.t.  $G[S]$  contains an  $(x_{a+r}, x_a)$ -path  $P'$

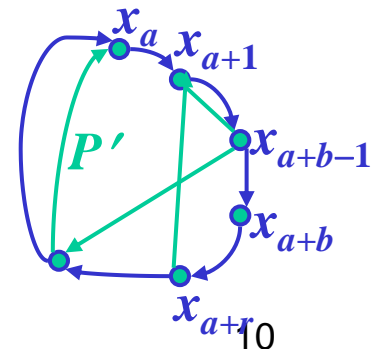
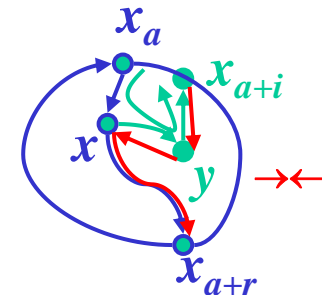
and  $V(P') = \{x_{a+r}, x_{a+r+1}, \dots, x_{a-1}, x_a, x_{a+1}, \dots, x_{a+i-1}\}$

$\Rightarrow x_{a+b} \notin V(P')$  and  $|V(P')| = k - r + b$

$\therefore$  the choice of  $b$ :



$|\{\{x_{a+b}\}, V(P')\}| \leq (k - r + b - 1) + 2 = k - r + b + 1$  ——— ③







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- **Corollary 1.10.4**: Every strongly connected tournament is hamiltonian.  
By [Thm 1.5](#) or [Thm 1.10](#)
- **Corollary 1.10.5**:  $G$ : simple digraph.  
 $\forall x, y \in V(G)$  either  $(x, y) \in E(G)$  or  $d_G^+(x) + d_G^-(y) \geq v$   
 $\Rightarrow G$  is hamiltonian.
- **Corollary 1.10.6**: Every tournament contains a Hamilton path.
- **Exercise: 1.9.1**
- **加: 1.9.3, 1.9.4, 1.9.5, 1.9.9**



# Chapter 1

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### § 1.10 Matrix Presentation of Graphs





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- Def: The **adjacency matrix** of a graph  $G = (V, E)$ , where  $V = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_\nu\}$  is a  $\nu \times \nu$  matrix  $A(G) = (a_{ij})$ , where  $a_{ij} = \mu(\{x_i\}, \{x_j\}) = |E_G(\{x_i\}, \{x_j\})|$

• ex:

$$A(D) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad A(G) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Def: The **incidence matrix** of a loopless graph  $G$  is a  $\nu \times \varepsilon$  matrix,  $M(G) = (m_x(e))$ ,  $x \in V(G)$  and  $e \in E(G)$ ,

where, if  $G$  is directed, then

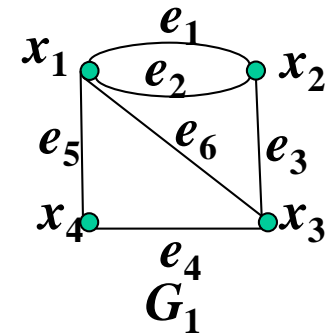
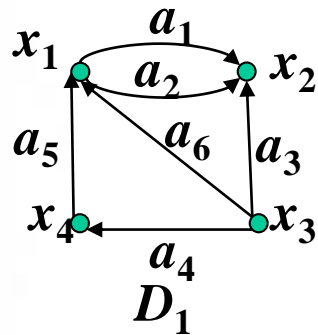
$$m_x(e) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \text{ is the tail of } e; \\ -1, & \text{if } x \text{ is the head of } e; \\ 0, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

and if  $G$  is undirected, then  $m_x(e) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } e \text{ is incident with } x; \\ 0, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$



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• ex:



$$M(D_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M(G_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

• Note: For computer



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- Def: ①  $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & n \\ i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_n \end{pmatrix}$  be a **permutation** of  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .  
② an  $n \times n$  **permutation matrix**  $P = (p_{ij})$  defined by  $p_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } j = \sigma(i); \\ 0, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$

- **ex:**  $\sigma = (2 \ 3 \ 1 \ 4)$ ,  $P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

- Remark: ① If  $A, B$  are the adjacency matrices of  $G, H$ ,  
 $G \cong H \Leftrightarrow \exists \nu \times \nu$  permutation matrix  $P$  s.t.  $A = P^{-1}BP$   
② If  $M, N$  are incidence matrices of  $G, H$ ,  
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- **Theorem 1.11:** Let  $A$  be the adjacency matrix of a digraph  $G$  with  $V(G) = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_v\}$  and  $A^k = (a_{ij}^{(k)})$  for  $k \geq 1$ . Then  $a_{ij}^{(k)}$  = the number of different  $(x_i, x_j)$ -walks of length  $k$  in  $G$ .

**Proof.**

Prove by induction on  $k$ .

① When  $k = 1$ , it's trivial.

② Assume  $a_{ij}^{(k-1)}$  is the number of different  $(x_i, x_j)$ -walks of length  $k - 1$ .

$$\because A^k = A^{k-1} \cdot A, \therefore a_{ij}^{(k)} = \sum_{l=1}^v a_{il}^{(k-1)} \cdot a_{lj} \text{ --- } (\star)$$

$\therefore$  Every  $(x_i, x_j)$ -walk of length  $k$  in  $G$

=  $(x_i, x_l)$ -walk of length  $k - 1$  in  $G$  + an edge  $(x_l, x_j)$

$\therefore$  By I.H and  $(\star)$ ,  $a_{ij}^{(k)}$  = the number of different  $(x_i, x_j)$ -walks of length  $k$ .



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- Note: ①  $\because \exists! (x, y)$ -walk of length  $n$  for any  $x, y \in V(B(d, n))$ .  
 $\therefore A(B(d, n))^n = J$  (= an square matrix all of whose entries are 1)  
②  $A(K(d, n))^n + A(K(d, n))^{n-1} = J$

- Example 1.10.1:  $\nexists (\Delta, k)$ -Moore digraph for  $\Delta \geq 2$  and  $k \geq 2$ .

Proof. 略

max. degree      diameter

- Note:  $K(\Delta, 2)$  is a maximum  $(\Delta, 2)$ -digraph. (目前唯一知道的)

Proof. By Example 1.10.1,  $\forall (\Delta, 2)$ -diagraph  $\leq \Delta^2 + \Delta$ , and

$K(\Delta, 2)$  had order  $\Delta^2 + \Delta$ , and maximum degree =  $\Delta$ , diameter = 2.





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- **exercise: 1.10.1; 1.10.2**
- **加: 1.10.8**



# **Chapter 2**

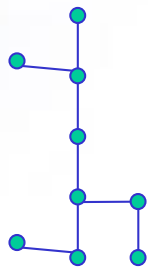
## **Trees and Graphic Spaces**

### **§ 2.1 Trees and Spanning Trees (1)**

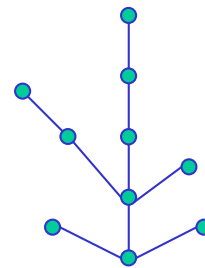


# 2.1 Trees and Spanning Trees

- **Def:** ① A graph is called a **forest** (or **acyclic graph**) if it contains no cycle.  
② A connected forest is called a **tree**.
- **Note:** ① Forests and trees both are bipartite simple graphs.  
② Restrict to undirected graphs.
- **ex:**



(a)



(b)



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- **Theorem 2.1:** The following statements are equivalent
  - (a)  $G$  is a tree.
  - (b)  $G$  has no loop and  $\forall x, y \in V(G), \exists! xy\text{-path}$ .
  - (c)  $G$  is connected and  $\forall e \in E(G), \omega(G - e) = 2$
  - (d)  $G$  is connected and  $\varepsilon = \nu - 1$ .

**Proof. (1/7)**

(a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b):

$\because G$  is a tree,  $\therefore G$  is a connected simple graph contains no cycle.  
Suppose  $\exists u, v \in V(G)$ , s.t.  $\exists$  distinct  $uv$ -path  $P_1, P_2$ .  
 $\because P_1 \neq P_2$ .  $\therefore \exists e = xy \in E(G)$  s.t.  $e \in E(P_1)$  and  $e \notin E(P_2)$ .  
 $\therefore (P_1 \cup P_2) - e$  is connected and contains a  $xy$ -path  $P$ .  
 $\Rightarrow P + e$  is a cycle in  $G$ .  $\rightarrow\leftarrow$



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**Proof. (2/7)**

**(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c):**

$\because \forall x, y \in V(G), \exists! xy\text{-path}. \therefore G$  is connected.

$\forall e = xy \in E(G), G$  is connected.  $\therefore \omega(G - e) \leq 2$  — ①

$\because xey$  is a unique  $xy$ -path (by (b))

$\therefore x, y$  are in different connected components of  $G - e$ .

$\Rightarrow \omega(G - e) \geq 2$  — ②

By ①②,  $\forall e \in E(G), \omega(G - e) = 2$ .





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**Proof. (3/7)**

**(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (a):**

Suppose  $G$  is not a tree.  $\because G$  is connected.  $\therefore G$  contains a cycle  $C$ .

Let  $e = xy \in E(C)$ .

$\because G$  is connected and  $\omega(G - e) = 2$ ,  $\therefore e$  is not a loop,  
and  $x, y$  are in different connected components of  $G - e$ ,

but  $C - e$  is an  $xy$ -path in  $G - e$ .  $\rightarrow\leftarrow$

$\therefore G$  is a tree.



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**Proof. (4/7)**

**(a)  $\Rightarrow$  (d):** Prove by induction on  $\varepsilon \geq 0$ .

①  $\varepsilon = 0$ , its trivial.

② Suppose  $\varepsilon = \nu - 1$  for any tree with  $\varepsilon < m$ .

Now, consider a tree  $G$  with  $\varepsilon = m \geq 1$ .

Choose an edge  $e \in E(G)$ ,  $\because$  (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (c),  $\therefore \omega(G - e) = 2$ .

Let  $G_1, G_2$  be two components of  $G - e$ .

$\because G_1, G_2$  both are trees and  $\varepsilon(G_1) < m, \varepsilon(G_2) < m$ .

$\therefore$  By I.H,  $\varepsilon(G_i) = \nu(G_i) - 1 \quad \forall i = 1, 2$ .



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**Proof. (5/7)**

(a)  $\Rightarrow$  (d): ② Choose an edge  $e \in E(G)$ ,  $\because$  (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (c),  $\therefore \omega(G - e) = 2$ .

Let  $G_1, G_2$  be two components of  $G - e$ .

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$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \varepsilon(G) &= \varepsilon(G_1) + \varepsilon(G_2) + |\{e\}| = (\nu(G_1) - 1) + (\nu(G_2) - 1) + 1 \\ &= \nu(G_1) + \nu(G_2) - 1 = \nu(G) - 1\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  By the principle of mathematical induction, (d) is necessary.



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**(d)  $\Rightarrow$  (a):** Prove by induction on  $\nu \geq 1$ .

- ①  $\nu = 1$ , then  $\varepsilon = 0$ .  $\therefore G$  is a trivial and hence no cycle.
- ② Suppose any connected graph of order  $n$  and  $\varepsilon = n - 1$  contains no cycle.

Now, consider a connected graph  $G$  with order  $n + 1 \geq 2$ , and size  $\varepsilon = (n + 1) - 1 = n$ .

$\therefore G$  is connected.  $\therefore \delta(G) \geq 1$ .

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(d)  $\Rightarrow$  (a):

If  $\delta(G) \geq 2$ , then by Coro. 1.1:

$$2n = 2\varepsilon = \sum_{x \in V(G)} d_G(x) \geq 2(n + 1) \rightarrow \leftarrow$$

$\therefore \delta(G) = 1$ , i.e.  $\exists x \in V(G)$ , s.t.  $d_G(x) = 1$ ,

then  $G - x$  is connected graph of order  $n$ ,  $\varepsilon = n - 1$ .

$\therefore$  By I.H.,  $G - x$  contains no cycle.

$\Rightarrow G$  contains no cycle.

$\Rightarrow G$  is connected and contains no cycle.

$\therefore G$  is a tree.





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- **Corollary 2.1**: A graph  $G$  is a forest  $\Leftrightarrow \varepsilon = \nu - \omega$
- **Example 2.1.1**:  $G$ : a forest and  $\delta(G) \geq 1$ ,  $G$  contains  $\geq 2\omega$  1-degree vertices.

**Proof.**

Let  $R = \{x \mid d_G(x) = 1, \forall x \in V(G)\}$ , and  $|R| = r$ .

By Coro. 2.1, and Coro. 1.1:

$$\begin{aligned} 2(\nu - \omega) = 2\varepsilon &= \sum_{v \in V(G)} d_G(x) = \sum_{v \in V \setminus R} d_G(x) + r \\ &\geq 2(\nu - r) + r = 2\nu - r \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow r \geq 2\omega$$