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Combinatorial Optimization

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Lecture 2. Mathematical Preliminaries

§ 2.1 Graphs and digraphs

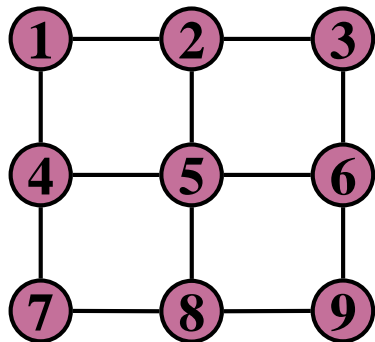
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by Eugene Lawler**

2.1 Graphs and digraphs

- **Def:**

- A **graph** is an ordered pair $G = (V, E)$, where
 - $V(G) = V$ is a finite non-empty set of **vertices** (or **nodes**) and
 - $E(G) = E$ is a set of un-ordered pairs of vertices, called **edges** (or **links**).
- If $\{x, y\}, \{y, z\} \in E$, then we say
 1. x and y are **adjacent**;
 2. x is **incident** to $\{x, y\}$;
 3. $\{x, y\}$ and $\{y, z\}$ are **adjacent**;
 4. denote $\{x, y\}$ by (x, y) or xy .

- **Ex.**



$$V = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$$

$$E = \{12, 23, 14, 25, 36, 45, 56, 47, 58, 69, 78, 89\}$$



2.1 Graphs and digraphs

- Def:
 - A **digraph** or **directed graph** is an ordered pair $D = (V, A)$, where $V(D) = V$ is a finite non-empty set of **vertices** (or **nodes**) and $A(D) = A$ is a set of ordered pairs of vertices, called **arcs** (or **edges**).
 - If $(x, y) \in A$, then we say
 1. (x, y) are **incident from** x and **incident to** y .
 2. x is **adjacent to** y , y is **adjacent from** x .

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■ Def:

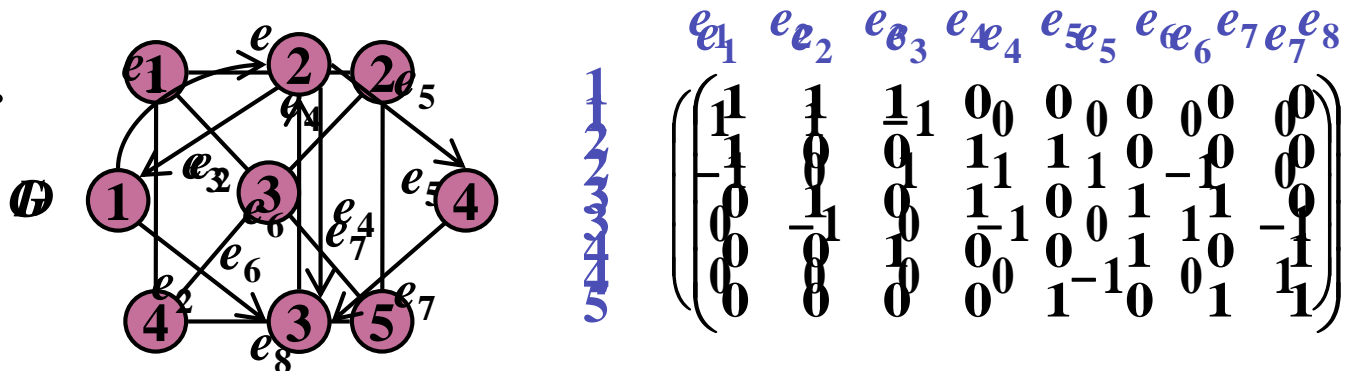
- The **incidence matrix** of a graph G , $M(G) = (b_{ik})$, is defined as follows:

$$b_{ik} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if node } i \text{ is incident to edge } k, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- In the case of a digraph, the **incidence matrix**, $M(G) = (b_{ik})$ is defined as follows:

$$b_{ik} = \begin{cases} -1, & \text{if arc } k \text{ is incident to node } i, \\ 1, & \text{if arc } k \text{ is incident from node } i, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

■ Ex.



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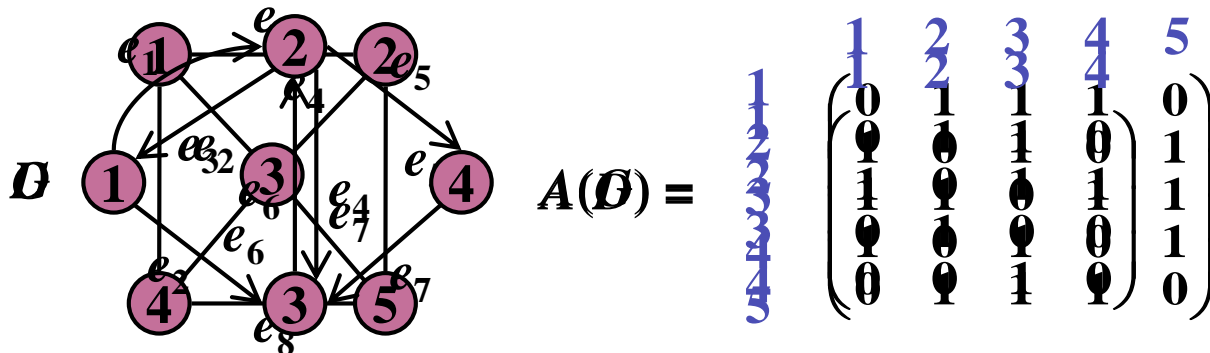
- The **adjacency matrix** of a graph G , $A(G) = (a_{ij})$, is defined as :

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if node } i \text{ is adjacent to node } j, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- The **adjacency matrix** of a digraph D , $A(D) = (a_{ij})$ is defined as :

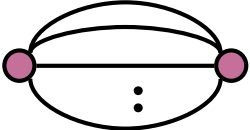

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if there is an arc } (i,j) \text{ from node } i \text{ to node } j, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

■ Ex.



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- Def:

- **multiple edges:** 
- **loop:** 
- **simple graph:** a graph with no multiple edges and loop.
(本課程中若無特別說明，所稱 graph 皆指 simple graph)

- Def:

- In a graph $G = (V, E)$, $\forall x \in V$:
 1. **neighbor** of x : $N(x) = \{y \mid xy \in E\}$
 2. **closed neighbor** of x : $N[x] = \{x\} \cup N(x)$
 3. **degree** of x : $deg(x) = |N(x)|$



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- Def:

- In a digraph $D = (V, A)$, $\forall x \in V$:

1. the **out-neighbor** of $x \equiv N^+(x) = \{y \in V \mid \exists (x, y) \in A\}$

2. the **in-neighbor** of $x \equiv N^-(x) = \{y \in V \mid \exists (y, x) \in A\}$

3. the **out-degree** of $x \equiv deg^+(x) = |N^+(x)|$

4. the **in-degree** of $x \equiv deg^-(x) = |N^-(x)|$

- Note:

1. For incidence matrix of a graph G , $M(G) = (b_{ik})$:

$$deg(i) = \sum_k b_{ik}.$$

2. For incidence matrix of a digraph D , $M(D) = (b_{ik})$:

$$deg^+(i) - deg^-(i) = \sum_k b_{ik}.$$



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- **Def:** $G = (V, E)$ is a graph, $x, y \in V$
 - An **x - y walk** with **length** r is a sequence x_0, x_1, \dots, x_r such that $x = x_0, y = x_r$, and $x_{i-1}x_i \in E, \forall 1 \leq i \leq r$.
 - An **x - y trail** is an x - y walk in which all edges are distinct.
 - An **cycle** is an x - y walk in which all vertices are distinct except $x = y$.
 - An **x - y path** is an x - y walk in which all vertices are distinct.
- **Def:** A graph $G = (V, E)$ is **connected** if $\forall x, y \in V, \exists x$ - y path (or x - y walk) in G .
- **Remark:** For any two vertices x, y of $G, \exists x$ - y walk $\Rightarrow \exists x$ - y path.



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- **Def:** Given graph $G = (V, E)$, define relation \sim on V by $x \sim y$ iff \exists x - y walk.
- **Note:**
 - \sim is an equivalent relation, i.e.
 - (1) $x \sim x, \forall x \in V$;
 - (2) $x \sim y \Rightarrow y \sim x, \forall x, y \in V$;
 - (3) $x \sim y$ and $y \sim z \Rightarrow x \sim z, \forall x, y, z \in V$
 - Say the equivalence classes are V_1, V_2, \dots, V_r , i.e. $V = \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq r} V_i$



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- Def:

- A graph $H = (U, F)$ is a **subgraph** of a graph $G = (V, E)$ iff $U \subseteq V$ and $F \subseteq E$.

- For a graph $G = (V, E)$ and a set $S \subseteq V$:

A **subgraph of G induced by S** is the graph $G[S]$ or G_S whose vertex set is S and edge set is $\{xy \in E \mid x, y \in S\}$.

- Def: A (**connected**) **component** of a graph G is the subgraph of G induced by an equivalent class of \sim .

- Remark: If G has r components $G[V_i]$, $1 \leq i \leq r$, then $V = \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq r} V_i$
and $E = \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq r} E_i$, where E_i is the edge set of $G[V_i]$.



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- Def:

- The **complete graph** K_n is a graph with n nodes and

$$\forall x, y \in V(K_n), \{x, y\} \in E(K_n)$$

- A graph $G = (V, E)$ is called a **bipartite graph** $G = (S, T, E) \equiv$

- (1) $V = S \cup T$ and $S \cap T = \phi$;

- (2) $\forall (x, y) \in E$, either $x \in S, y \in T$; or $x \in T, y \in S$.

- The **complete bipartite graph** $K_{p,q}$ is a bipartite graph $G = (S, T, E)$ with $|S| = p$, $|T| = q$, and $|E| = pq$.

- Def:

- A **complete subgraph** \equiv a subgraph of G is a complete graph.
- A maximal complete subgraph is called a **clique**.

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§ 2.2 Trees

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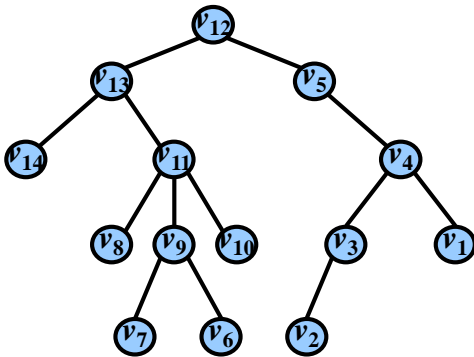
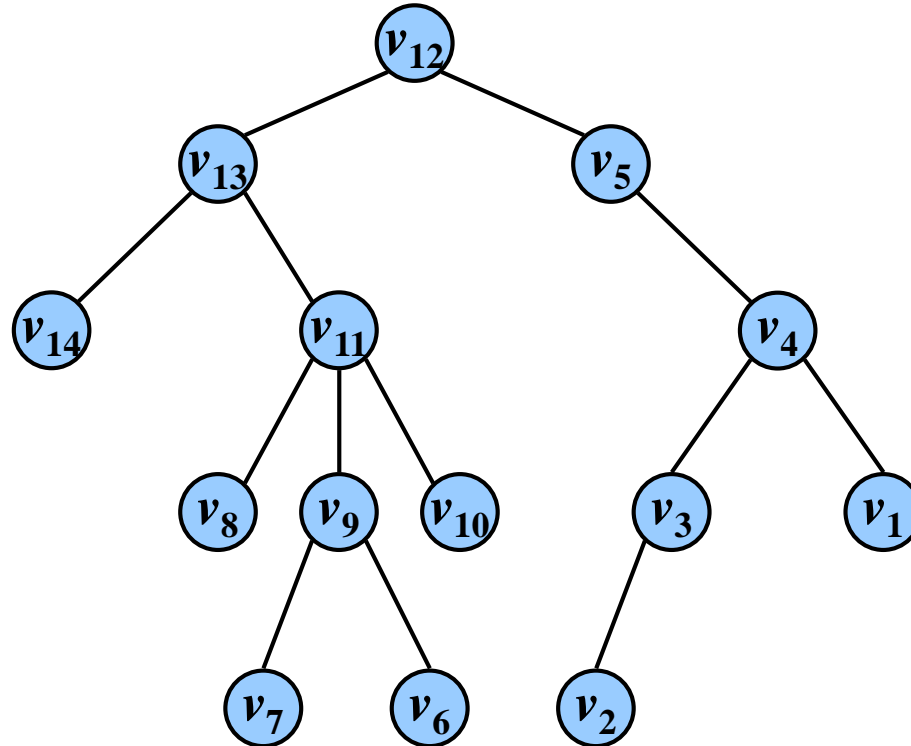


2.2 Trees

- **Def:** A **tree** is a connected acyclic (i.e. without cycle) graph.
- **Thm:** The following statements are equivalent (TFSAE), for a graph $G = (V, E)$:
 - (1) G is a tree.
 - (2) G is connected and $|E| = |V| - 1$.
 - (3) G is acyclic and $|E| = |V| - 1$.
 - (4) $\forall x, y$ in G , \exists unique x - y path in G .
 - (5) We can order V into v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n such that v_i is a **leaf** (a vertex with degree 1) of $G[\{v_i, v_{i+1}, \dots, v_n\}]$ for $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$, called **tree ordering**.

2.2 Trees

■ Ex:





2.2 Trees

Lemma T1: Every tree with at least 2 vertices has at least 2 leaves.

Proof.

Let $T = (V, E)$ is a tree with $|V| \geq 2$.

Choose a path $P: x_0, x_1, \dots, x_r$ in the tree such that r is maximum.

$\because |V| \geq 2$ and T is connected $\therefore r \geq 1$.

$\because x_1 \in N(x_0) \therefore \deg(x_0) \geq 1$.

Suppose $\deg(x_0) \geq 2$, then $\exists x \neq x_1$ such that $xx_0 \in E$

Case 1: $x = \text{some } x_j$, for some $j \geq 2$, \exists cycle $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_j, x_0 \rightarrow \leftarrow$

Case 2: x is not in the path P

Then x, x_0, x_1, \dots, x_r is a larger path in T

contradicting to the choice of the path $P \rightarrow \leftarrow$

Therefore, $\deg(x_0) = 1$, i.e. x_0 is a leaf.

Similarly, x_r is a leaf.



2.2 Trees

- **Note:** Every acyclic graph with at least 2 vertices and one edge has at least 2 leaves.
- **Notation:** $G = (V, E)$, $S \subseteq V$, $x \in V$:
 - $G - S = G[V - S]$
 - $G - x = G[V - \{x\}]$



2.2 Trees

Lemma T2: If x is a leaf of a tree $T = (V, E)$, then $T - x$ is a tree.

Proof.

A: $\because T$ is acyclic $\Rightarrow T - x$ is acyclic

B: \forall two vertices y, z in $T - x$

$\Rightarrow y \neq x$ and $z \neq x$, and $y, z \in V(T)$

$\therefore \exists y - z$ path in T say $P: y = x_0, x_1, \dots, x_r = z$

Case 1: $x \in P$, i.e. $x = x_i$ for some i ($0 < i < r$)

$\because |\{x, y, z\}| = 3 \quad \therefore r \geq 2$

Then $x_{i-1}, x_{i+1} \in N_T(x_i)$

$\Rightarrow \deg(x_i) \geq 2 \quad \rightarrow \leftarrow$ ($\because x_i = x$ is a leaf)

Case 2: $x \notin P \quad \therefore P$ is a y - z path in $T - x$

Then, $T - x$ is connected.

By A, B, $T - x$ is a tree.

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§ 2.3 Linear Programming

Slides for a Course Based on the Text

1. Combinatorial Optimization

by Cook, Cunningham, Pulleyblank and Schrijver

2. Combinatorial Optimization - Algorithms and Complexity

by Papadimitriou and Steiglitz

2.3 Linear Programming

- Def:

1. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix, and let $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$. A **linear programming (LP)** problem is
$$\begin{cases} \text{Maximize } c^T x & \text{(A.1)} \\ \text{subject to } Ax \leq b \end{cases}$$

that is, to determining: $\max\{c^T x: Ax \leq b\}$ (A.2)

2. x is a **feasible solution** of (A.2) if x satisfies $Ax \leq b$.

3. x is called an **optimum(optimal) solution** of (A.2) if x is a feasible solution and attains the maximum.

4. $c^T = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)$ is the **cost vector**.

$c^T x$ is the **objective function**.

$A = (a_{ij})$ is an $m \times n$ **coefficient matrix**

$b^T = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m)$ is the **constraint vector**

$a_i = (a_{i1}, a_{i2}, \dots, a_{in})$, $A_j^T = (a_{1j}, a_{2j}, \dots, a_{mj})$

5. The **dual LP** problem of (A.2) is:

$$\min\{y^T b: y \geq 0, y^T A = c^T\} \text{ where } y \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

2.3 Linear Programming

■ **Ex:**

1. $\max 2x_1 + 3x_2$

subject to $\begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 8 \\ 3x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 12 \end{cases}$

\Rightarrow when $x_1 = 2, x_2 = 3$

$2x_1 + 3x_2 = 4 + 9 = 13$ is max.

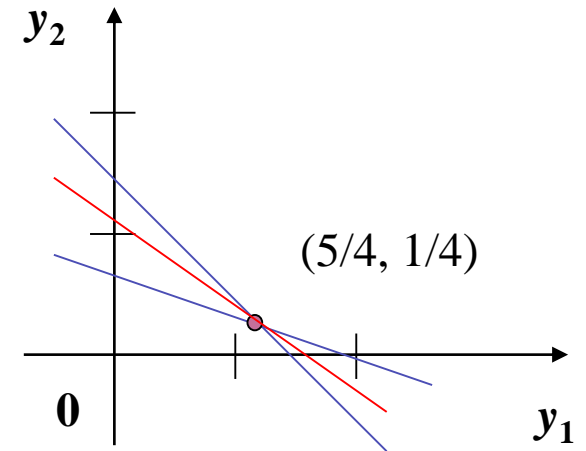
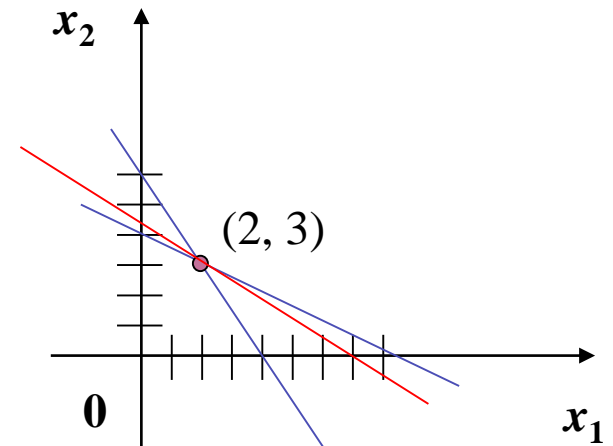
i.e. $(2, 3)$ is an optimum solution.

2. $\min 8y_1 + 12y_2$

subject to $\begin{cases} y_1 + 3y_2 = 2 \\ 2y_1 + 2y_2 = 3 \\ y_1 \geq 0 \\ y_2 \geq 0 \end{cases}$

\Rightarrow when $y_1 = 5/4, y_2 = 1/4$.

$8y_1 + 12y_2 = 10 + 3 = 13$ is min.





2.3 Linear Programming

- Def:

- Theorem A.4: (Weak Duality Theorem)

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix, $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Suppose \tilde{x} is a feasible solution to $Ax \leq b$ and \tilde{y} is a feasible solution to $y \geq 0$, $y^T A = c^T$. Then $c^T \tilde{x} \leq \tilde{y}^T b$.

Proof.

$$c^T \tilde{x} = (\tilde{y}^T A) \tilde{x} = \tilde{y}^T (A\tilde{x}) \leq \tilde{y}^T b.$$

2.3 Linear Programming

- **Theorem A.5: (Duality Theorem)**

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix, $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then

$$\max\{c^T x : Ax \leq b\} = \min\{y^T b : y \geq 0, y^T A = c^T\}$$

provided that both sets are nonempty.

- **Def:** Given an LP in general form, called the **primal**, the **dual** is defined as follows:

Primal		Dual
$\max c^T x$		$\min y^T b$
s.t. $a_i^T x = b_i$	$i \in M$	s.t. y_i unrestricted
$a_i^T x \leq b_i$	$i \in \overline{M}$	$y_i \geq 0$
$x_j \geq 0$	$j \in N$	$y^T A_j \geq c_j$
x_j unrestricted	$j \in \overline{N}$	$y^T A_j = c_j$



2.3 Linear Programming

- **Theorem 3.1: If an LP has an optimal solution, so does its dual, and at optimality their costs are equal.**
- **Theorem 3.2: The dual of the dual is the primal.**

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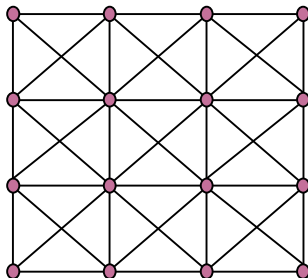
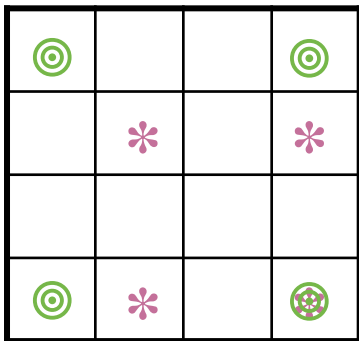
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§ 2.4 Domination Problem

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2.4 Domination Problem

- Source: chessboard problem, firehouse problem, location problem.
- Ex: In $m \times n$ chessboard, need $\lceil m/3 \rceil \times \lceil n/3 \rceil$ kings to “dominate” all.



(1) $x \leq \lceil m/3 \rceil \lceil n/3 \rceil$: 找一個方法 (easy)

(2) $x \geq \lceil m/3 \rceil \lceil n/3 \rceil$: 找最多格子使得沒有任
兩格可能被同一個kings控制到

Primal-dual

格子 \rightarrow vertex

可控制 \rightarrow edge



2.4 Domination Problem

- Def:

- Given a graph $G = (V, E)$, a **dominating set** of G is a subset $D \subseteq V$, such that $V = \bigcup_{x \in D} N[x]$
- The **domination number** of G : $\gamma(G) = \min\{|D|: D \text{ is a dominating set of } G\}$.