

DETECTING ODD HOLES

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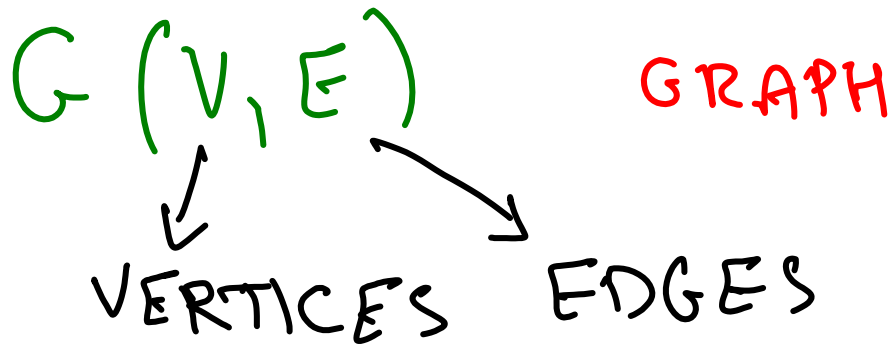
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CLIQUE A SET OF PW ADJACENT
VERTICES

$\omega(G)$ MAX SIZE OF A CLIQUE

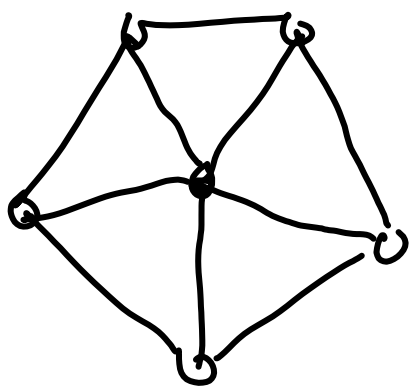
$\chi(G)$ CHROMATIC NUMBER

FACT $\chi(G) \geq \omega(G)$

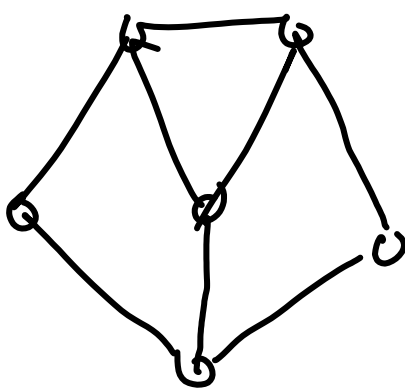
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H IS AN INDUCED SUBGRAPH
OF G IF

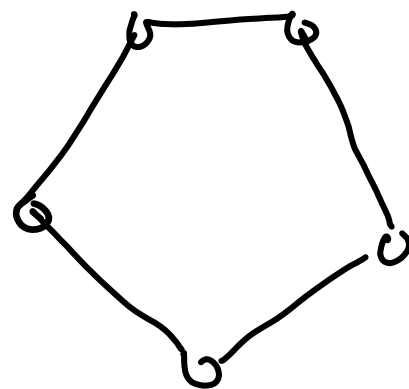
- $V(H) \subseteq V(G)$
- $uv \in E(H)$ IFF $uv \in E(G)$
& $u, v \in V(H)$



G



NOT ISG
OF G



ISG
OF G

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G IS PERFECT IF $\chi(H) = \omega(H)$
FOR EVERY INDUCED SUBGRAPH
H OF G

MANY NATURAL CLASSES OF
GRAPHS ARE PERFECT

WEAK PERFECT GRAPH THEOREM
(LOVASZ, 1972)

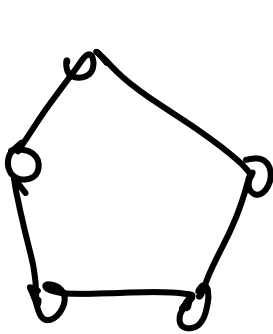
G IS PERFECT IFF G^c IS PERFECT

DEF: $V(G^c) = V(G)$
 $uv \in E(G^c)$ IFF $uv \notin E(G)$

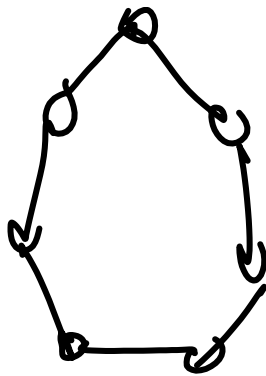
STRONG PERFECT GRAPH THEOREM

(C. ROBERTSON, SEYMOUR, THOMAS)
2003

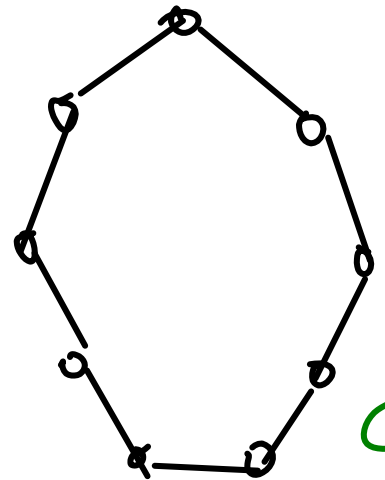
G IS PERFECT (FF NO INDUCED)
SUBGRAPH OF G IS ISOMORPHIC
TO C_{2k+1} OR C_{2k+1}^c
WITH $k \geq 2$



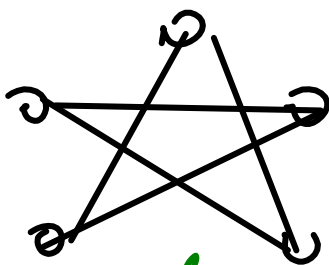
C_5



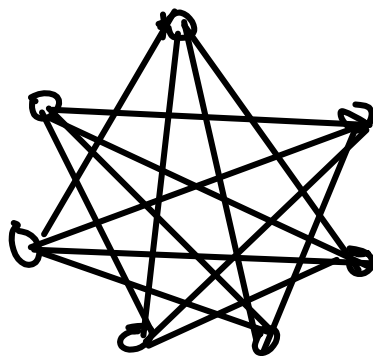
C_7



C_9



C_5^c



C_7^c

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A **HOLE** IN G IS AN
INDUCED SUBGRAPH ISOMORPHIC
TO C_k WITH $k \geq 4$

ODD HOLE, EVEN HOLE

AN **ANTI HOLE** IN G IS AN
INDUCED SUBGRAPH ISOMORPHIC
TO C_k^c WITH $k \geq 4$

ODD ANTIHOLE, EVEN ANTIHOLE

G IS **BERGE** IF G HAS NO
ODD HOLE AND NO ODD ANTIHOLE

SPGT **BERGE = PERFECT**

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THM (GROTSCHEL, LOVASZ, SCHRIJVER)

$\chi(G)$, $\omega(G)$, $\alpha(G)$

CAN BE CALCULATED IN
POLYNOMIAL TIME IF G IS
PERFECT

QUESTION;

CAN ONE TEST IN POLYNOMIAL
TIME IF A GRAPH IS PERFECT?

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THM (C, CORNEJO, LIU,
SEYMOUR, VUKOVIC; 2005)

ONE CAN TEST IN TIME
 $O(|V(G)|^9)$ IF G IS BERGE

CON TESTING PERFECTION IS
POLYNOMIAL

QUESTION WHAT IS THE
COMPLEXITY OF TESTING
FOR ODD HOLES?

FACTS RELATED TO TESTING FOR ODD HOLES

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- TESTING FOR EVEN HOLES
IS POLYNOMIAL

(LONFORATI, CORNUETJOLS, KAPOOR
& MUSKOVIC;

CHUDNOVSIY, KAWARABAYASHI,
SEMMOUR;

DA SILVA, MUSKOVIC)

- IT IS NP-COMPLETE TO TEST
IF AN INPUT GRAPH CONTAINS
AN ODD HOLE THROUGH
A GIVEN VERTEX

(BIENSTOCK)

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THM (C, SCOTT, SEYMOUR, SPIRKL)
ONE CAN TEST IN TIME
 $O(|V(G)|^9)$ IF G CONTAINS
AN ODD HOLE

A STRONGER THEOREM

(C, SCOTT, SEYMOUR)

$\forall \ell$ ONE CAN TEST IN TIME
 $O(|V(G)|^{O(\ell)})$ IF G CONTAINS
AN ODD HOLE OF LENGTH $\geq \ell$

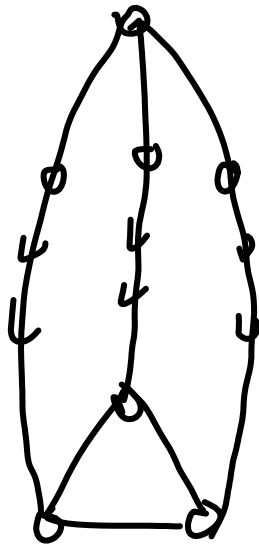
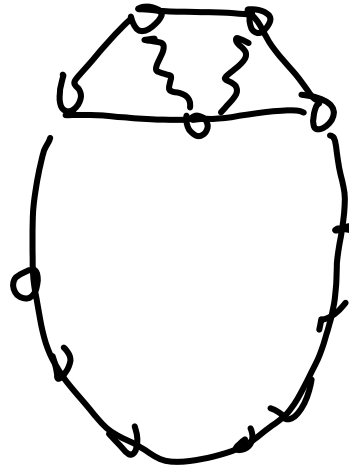
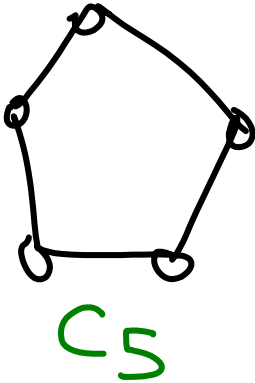
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THREE STEPS

- ① EASILY DETECTABLE CONFIGURATIONS
- ② CLEANING
- ③ SHORTEST PATHS DETECTOR FOR A CLEAN SHORTEST ODD HOLE .

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EASILY DETECTABLE CONFIGURATIONS

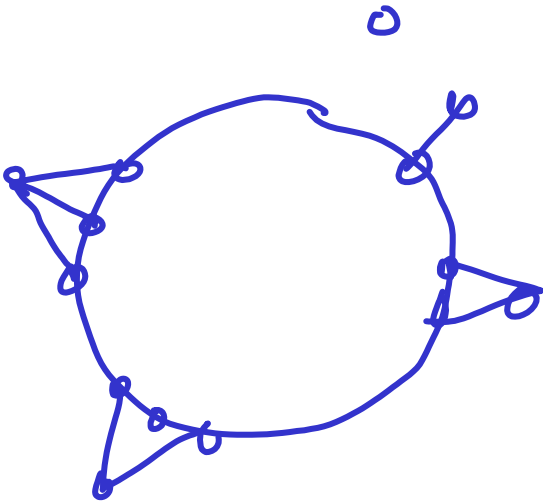


- CAN TEST IN POLY TIME
- IF YES, THEN G CONTAINS AN ODD HOLE

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LET C BE A SHORTEST
ODD HOLE IN G

$v \notin V(C)$ IS C -MINOR IF
 $N(v) \cap V(C)$ IS CONTAINED
IN A 3-VERTEX PATH OF C



$v \notin V(C)$ IS C -MAJOR IF
 v IS NOT C -MINOR $M(C)$.

C IS CLEAN IF NO VERTEX
IS C -MAJOR

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SHORTEST PATHS DETECTOR

THM LET G BE A GRAPH WITH NO TWEEL AND NO PYRAMID, LET C BE A CLEAN SHORTEST ODD HOLE IN G . LET $u, v \in V(C)$

ASSUME $|V(C_1)| < |V(C_2)|$.

THEN:

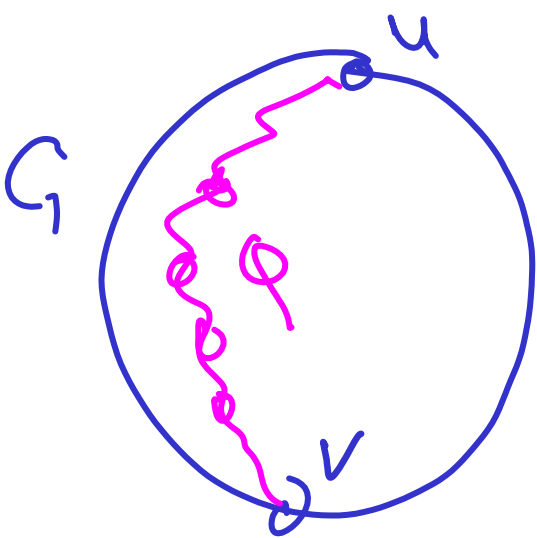
C_1 IS A SHORTEST $u-v$ PATH IN G , AND

FOR EVERY SHORTEST

$u-v$ PATH Q IN G ,

$u-Q-v-C_2-u$ IS A CLEAN

SHORTEST ODD HOLE IN G



SHORTEST PATHS ALG

INPUT G

OUTPUT A DETERMINATION

IF G CONTAINS A

CLEAN SHORTEST ODD HOLE

FOR EVERY $v_1, v_2, v_3 \in V(G)$

• COMPUTE P_1 : SHORTEST $v_2 - v_3$ PATH IN $G \setminus v_1$

• COMPUTE P_2, P_3

• TEST IF $v_2 - P_1 - v_3 - P_2 - v_1 - P_3 - v_2$ IS AN ODD HOLE

• IF "YES" OUTPUT "YES"

IF "NO" FOR ALL (v_1, v_2, v_3)

OUTPUT "G HAS NO CLEAN SHORTEST ODD HOLE"

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CLEANING

CONSTRUCT SETS

$$X_1, \dots, X_k \subseteq V(G) \quad \text{s.t.}$$

- $k = \text{poly}(|V(G)|)$
- IF C IS A SHORTEST ODD HOLE IN G , THEN $\exists i$ s.t.
 - $X_i \cap V(C) = \emptyset$
 - $M(C) \subseteq X_i$

NOW C IS A
CLEAN SHORTEST ODD HOLE
IN $G \setminus X_i$

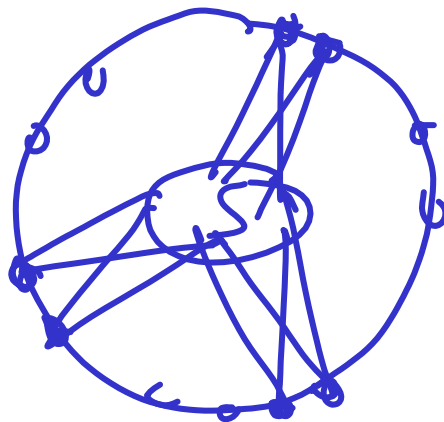
RUN THE ALG FROM THE
PREVIOUS SLIDE ON EACH $G \setminus X_i$

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CONSTRUCTING THE SETS

X_1, \dots, X_k

THM LET C BE A SHORTEST
ODD HOLE IN G , AND LET
 $S \subseteq M(C)$ BE STABLE, THEN
AN ODD # OF EDGES OF C
IS S -COMPLETE

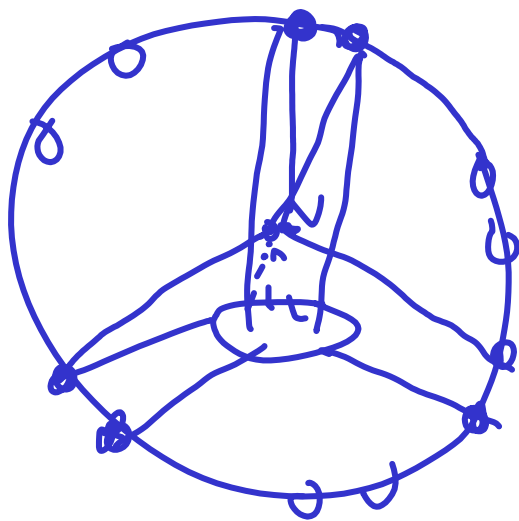


DEF e is S -COMPLETE IF
 $\forall s \in S \quad as \in E(G) \ \& \ bs \in E(G)$

DEF $e=ab$ IS X -HEAVY 

IF $\forall x \in X$ $ax \in E(G)$ OR
 $bx \in E(G)$

THM LET C BE A SHORTEST
 ODD HOLE IN G , LET $v \in M(C)$
 AND LET $X = M(C) \setminus N(v)$. THEN
 SOME EDGE OF C IS X -HEAVY



REMARK THIS GIVES AN ALG
TO TEST FOR ODD HOLES
IN GRAPHS WITH BOUNDED
CLIQUE NUMBER

(ORIGINALLY A RESULT OF
CONFORTI, CORNUETTES,
LIU, VUKOVIĆ).

AS BEFORE

C SHORTEST ODD HOLE

$v \in M(C)$

CAN CONSTRUCT $|V(G)|^4$

SUBSETS $X_1, \dots, X_k \subseteq V(G)$

S.T. $\exists i$ WITH

- $M(C) \cap N(v) \subseteq X_i$

- $V(C) \cap X_i = \emptyset$

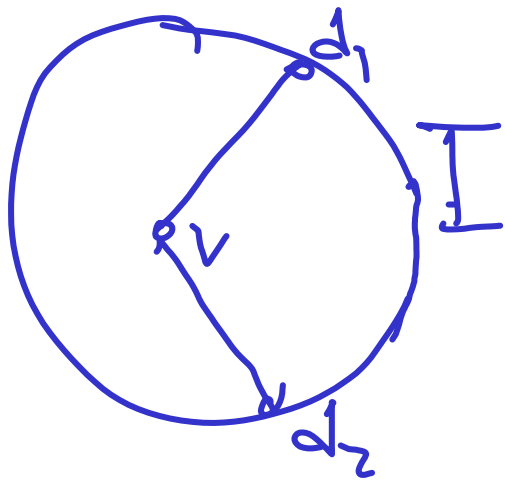
AS FOLLOWS:

$\forall a \text{---} b \text{---} c \text{---} d$ let

$$X_{a,b,c,d} = (N(b) \cup N(c)) \setminus \{a,d\}$$

SO WMA $M(C) \subseteq N[v]$

- C SHORTEST ODD HOLE IN G (20)
- $V \in M(C)$ WITH MAX'L INTERVAL I



- EVERY $m \in M(C)$ EITHER HAS A NBR IN I^* , OR $d_1 m \in E(G)$ & $d_2 m \in E(G)$

• ASSUME $M(C) \subseteq N[v]$

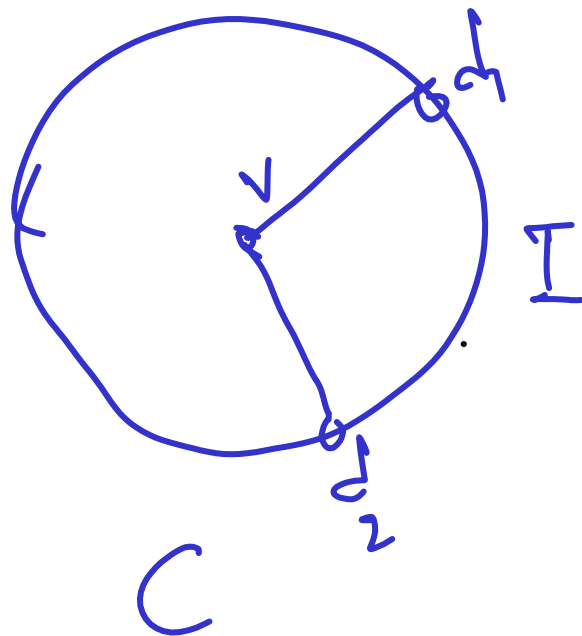
• LET Y BE THE SET OF VERTICES OF $G \setminus N[v]$ THAT ARE IN d_1 - d_2 SHORTEST PATHS OF $G \setminus N[v]$. THEN

$$I^* \subseteq Y$$

• LET X BE THE SET OF VERTICES OF $N(v)$ WITH A NBR IN Y .

• $M(C) \subseteq X \cup (N(d_1) \cap N(d_2))$ AND $X \cap V(C) = \{d_1, d_2\}$

FOR EVERY v, d_1, d_2 WE CAN ⁽²¹⁾
 CONSTRUCT $X_{v, d_1, d_2} \cup (N(d_1) \cap N(d_2))$
 AS IN THE PREVIOUS SLIDE



FOR THE "RIGHT CHOICE"
 OF v, d_1, d_2

$$\left(X_{v, d_1, d_2} \cup (N(d_1) \cap N(d_2)) \right) \setminus \{d_1, d_2\}$$

HAS THE REQUIRED PROPERTIES

THANK YOU !