



# INF421, Lecture 3

# Graphs

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# Course

- **Objective:** teach notions AND develop intelligence
- **Evaluation:** TP noté en salle info, Contrôle à la fin. Note:  
 $\max(CC, \frac{3}{4}CC + \frac{1}{4}TP)$
- **Organization:** fri 31/8, 7/9, 14/9, 21/9, 28/9, 5/10, 12/10, 19/10, 26/10,  
amphi 1030-12 (Arago), TD 1330-1530, 1545-1745 (SI:30-34)
- **Books:**
  1. K. Mehlhorn & P. Sanders, *Algorithms and Data Structures*, Springer, 2008
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  3. G. Dowek, *Les principes des langages de programmation*, Editions de l'X, 2008
  4. Ph. Baptiste & L. Maranget, *Programmation et Algorithmique*, Ecole Polytechnique (Polycopié), 2006
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# Lecture summary

- Graph definitions
- Operations on graphs
- Combinatorial problems on graphs
- Easy and hard problems
- Modelling problems for a generic solution method

# The minimal knowledge

- **Operations on graphs:** complement, line graph, contraction
- **Decision/optimization problems:** finding subgraphs with given properties
- **Easy problems:** solvable in polynomial time (**P**), e.g. minimum cost spanning tree, shortest paths, maximum matching
- **Hard problems:** efficient method for solving one would solve all of them (**NP-hard**), e.g. maximum clique, maximum stable set, vertex colouring
- **Mathematical Programming:** a generic model-and-solve approach



# Graph definitions



# Motivation

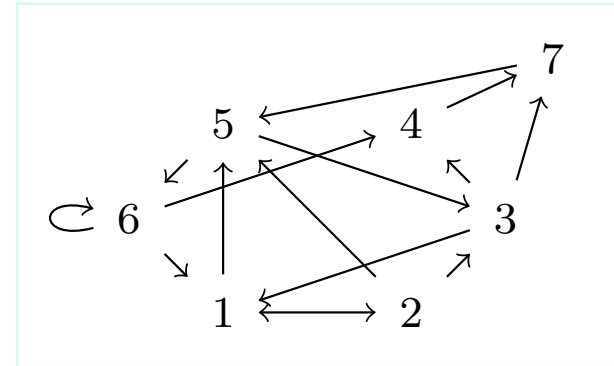
## The ultimate data structure

Most data structures can be represented by graphs

# Graphs and digraphs

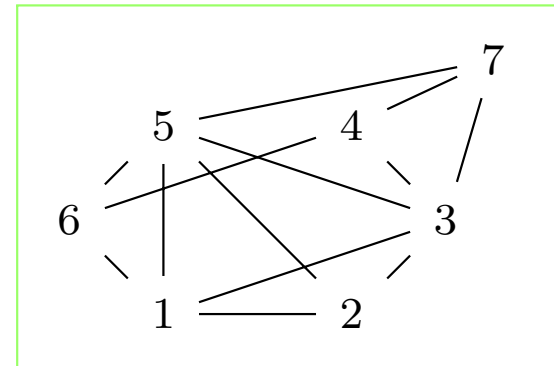
- **Digraph**  $G = (V, A)$ : relation  $A$  on set  $V$

- $V$ : set of **nodes**
- $A$ : set of **arcs**  $(u, v)$  with  $u, v \in V$



- **Graph**  $G = (V, E)$ : symmetric relation  $E$  on set  $V$

- $V$ : set of **vertices**
- $E$ : set of **edges**  $\{u, v\}$  with  $u, v \in V$



- **Simple (di)graphs**: relation is *irreflexive* (i.e.,  $v$  not related to itself for all  $v \in V$ )



# Remarks

- Mainly, results for **undirected** graphs
- Many trivial extensions to digraphs
- **Warning:** not all trivial

## Example

- $G$  a graph:  $V(G)$  set of vertices,  $E(G)$  set of edges
- **Extension to digraphs:**  
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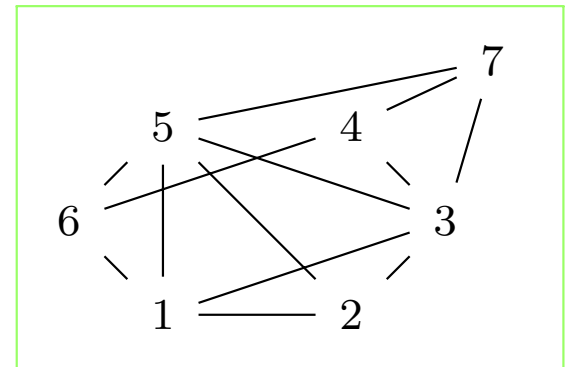


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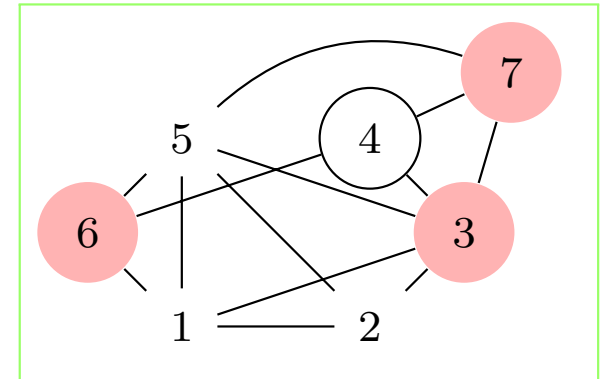
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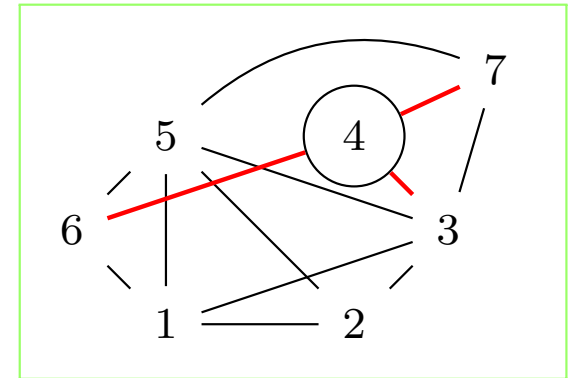
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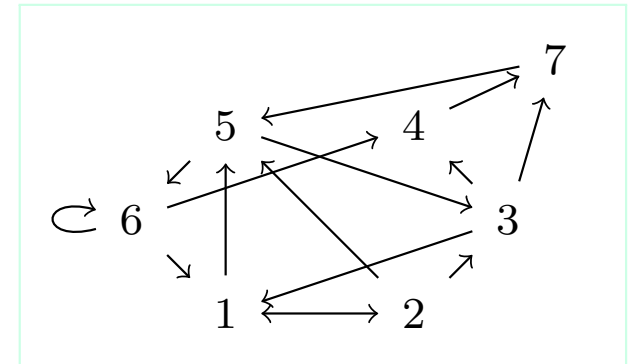
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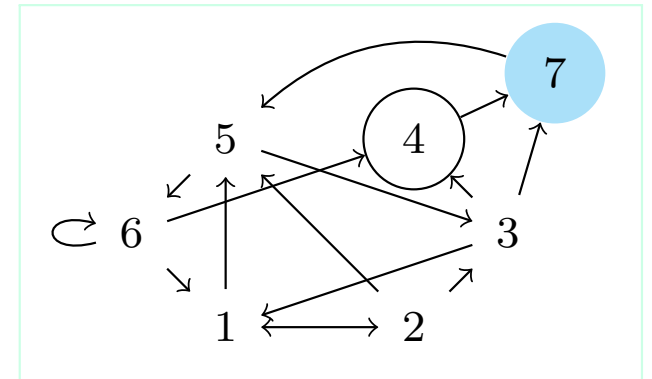
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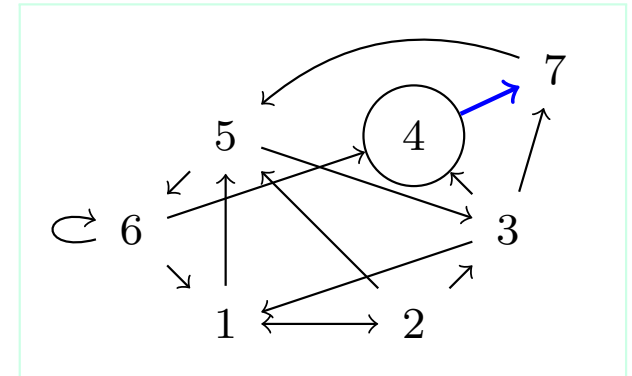
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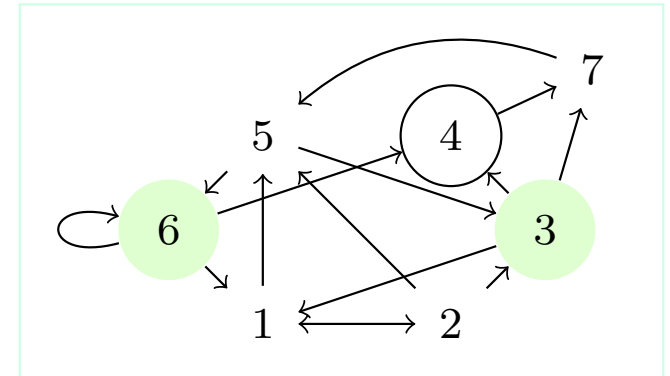
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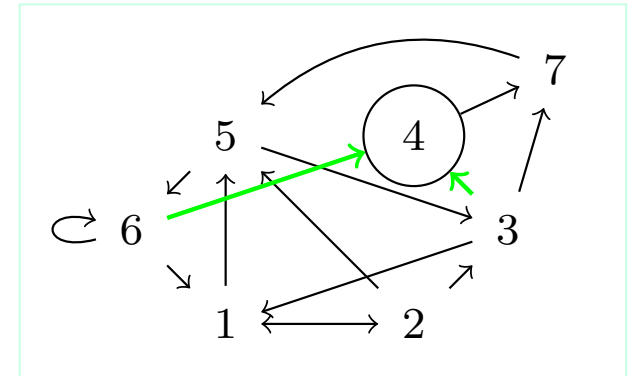
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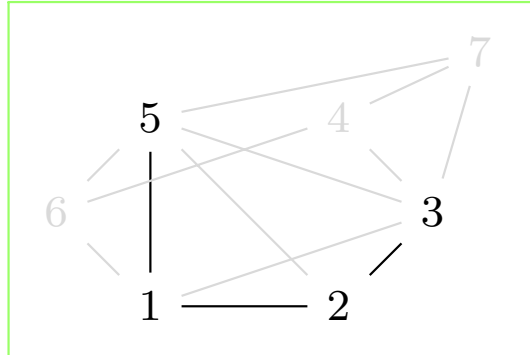
•  $|N(v)|$  = **degree**,  $|N^+(v)|$  = **outdegree**,  $|N^-(v)|$  = **indegree** of  $v$

• If  $v$  in both  $G, H$  write  $N_G(v)$  and  $N_H(v)$

*(similarly for other star notation)*

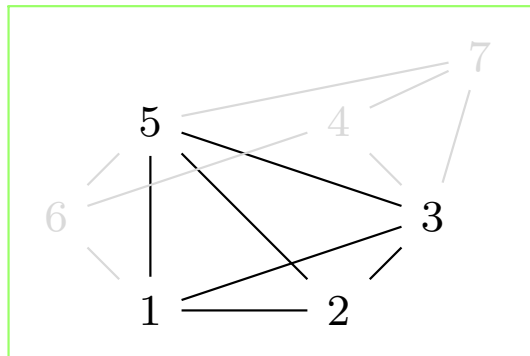
# Subgraphs

- **Subgraph**  $H = (U, F)$  of  $G = (V, E)$  if  $H$  a graph s.t.  $U \subseteq V \wedge F \subseteq E$



- **Spanning subgraph**  $H = (U, F)$  of  $G = (V, E)$ :  $U = V$
- Subgraph  $H = (U, F)$  of  $G = (V, E)$  **induced by**  $U$ :

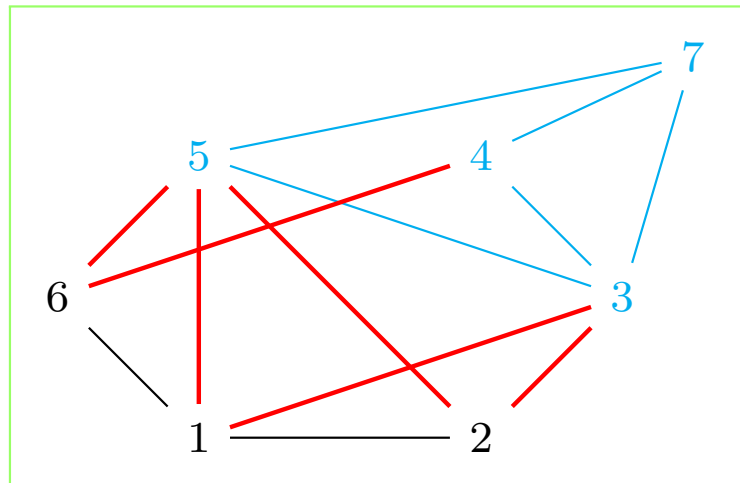
$$\forall u, v \in U (\{u, v\} \in E \rightarrow \{u, v\} \in F)$$



*Induced subgraph notation:  $H = G[U]$*

# Cutsets

- $H = (U, F)$  a subgraph of  $G = (V, E)$
- **Cutset:**  $\delta(H) = \left( \bigcup_{u \in U} \delta(u) \right) \setminus F$   
edge set “separating”  $U$  and  $V \setminus U$
- E.g.  $U = \{1, 2, 6\}$  and  $H = G[U]$ , then  $\delta(H)$  shown in red

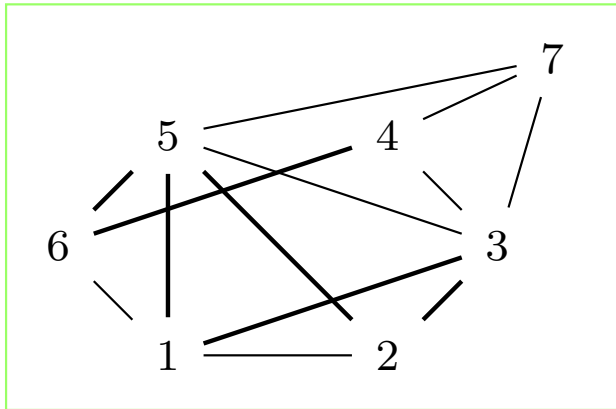


- Similar definitions for **directed cutsets**
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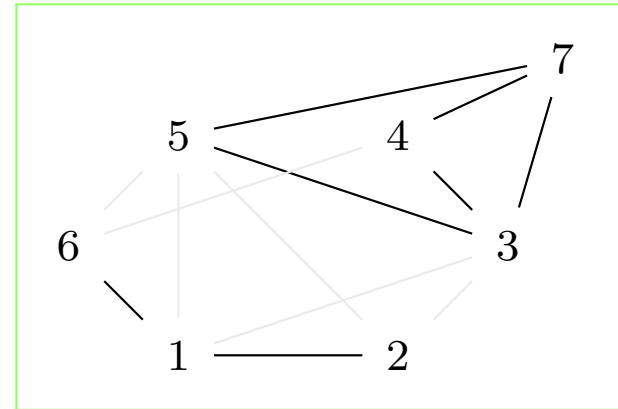
If  $G$  is undirected then  $\forall U \subseteq V(G) \quad \delta(U) = \delta(V \setminus U)$

# Connectedness

- **Connected:**  $\nexists$  empty nontrivial cutsets



*Connected*



*Not connected:  $\delta(\{1, 2, 6\}) = \emptyset$*

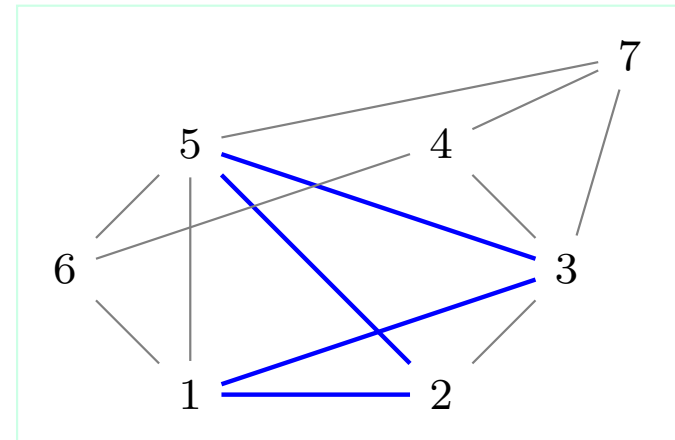
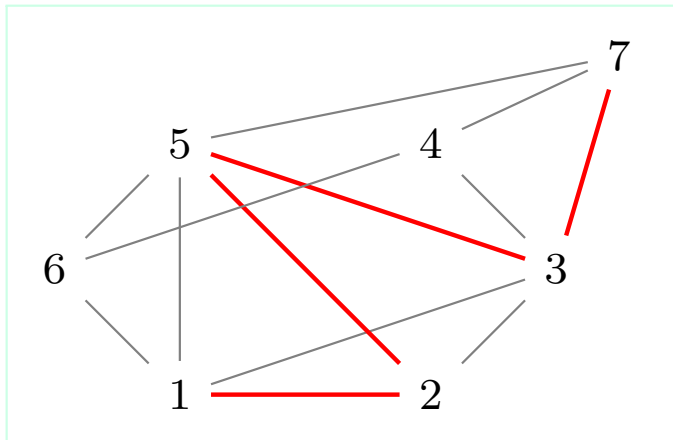
- **Connected component:** maximal connected subgraph

Most algorithms assume connected graphs

If not, apply alg. to each connected component

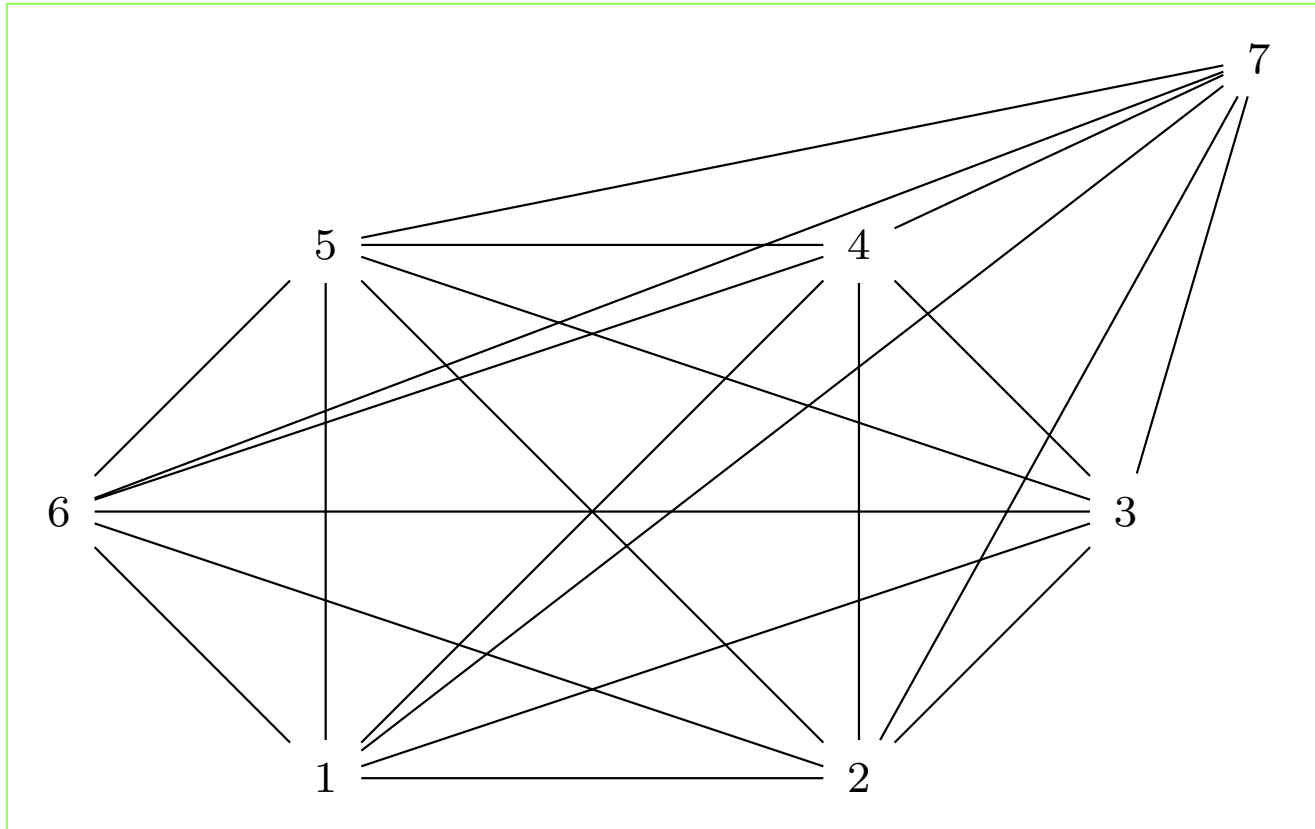
# Paths and cycles

- $G$  a graph and  $u, v \in V(G)$
- A **simple path  $P$  from  $u$  to  $v$**  in  $G$ : connected subgraph of  $G$  s.t.:
  1.  $\forall w \in V(P)$  ( $w \neq u \wedge w \neq v \rightarrow |N(w)| = 2$ )
  2. if  $u \neq v$  then  $|N(u)| = |N(v)| = 1$
  3. if  $u = v$  then  $|N(u)| = |N(v)| = 2$
- Notation: path from  $u$  to  $v$ :  $P : u \rightarrow v$
- In  $P : u \rightarrow v$ ,  **$u, v$  are endpoints**
- A **simple cycle** is a simple path with equal endpoints
- Mostly, say paths/cycles to mean *simple* ones



# Complete graph

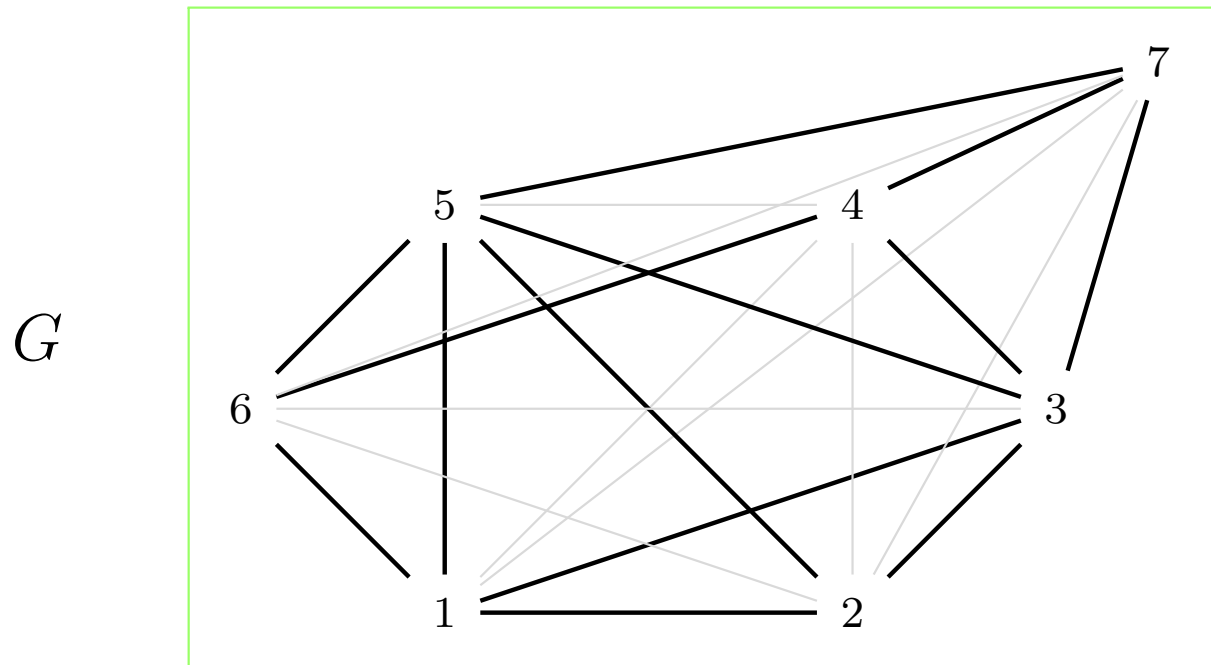
- Complete graph or  $n$ -clique  $K_n$  on  $n$  vertices:  
all possible edges



- Clique on vertex set  $U$ : denote by  $K(U)$

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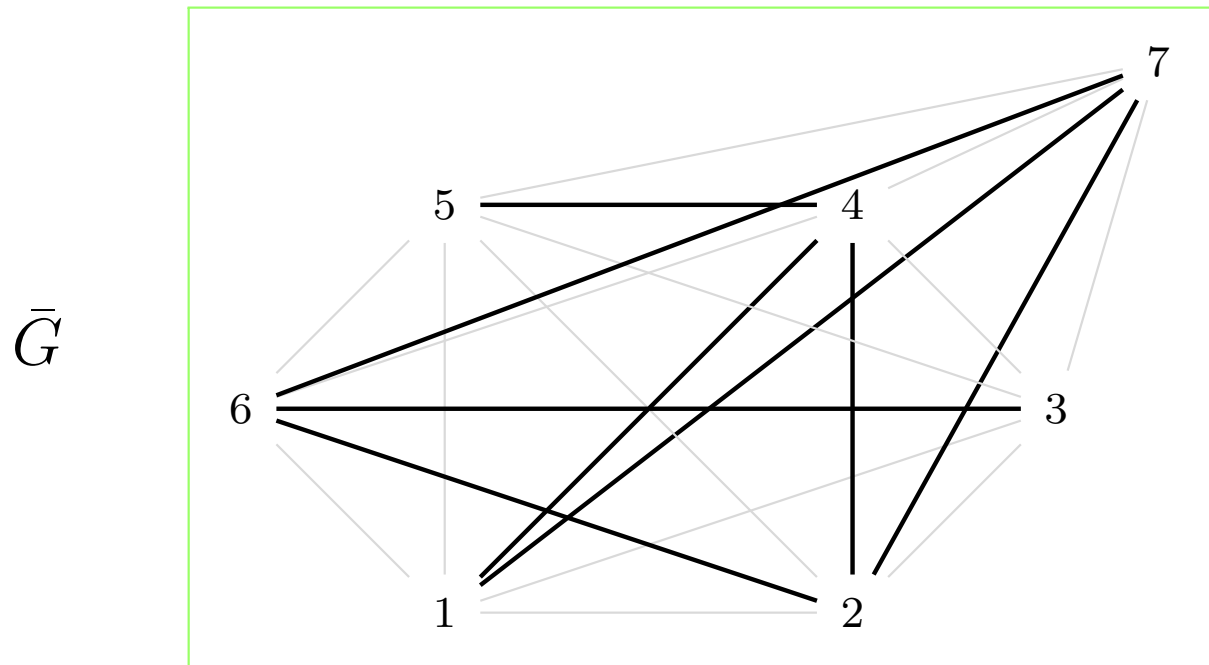
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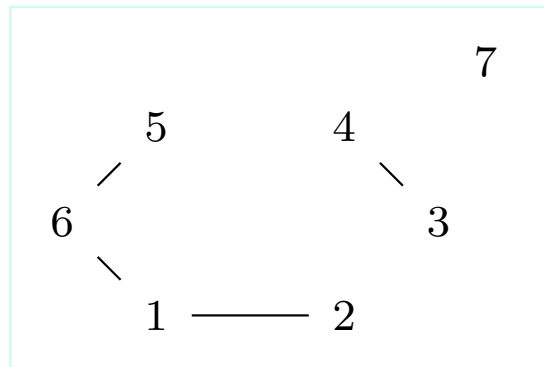


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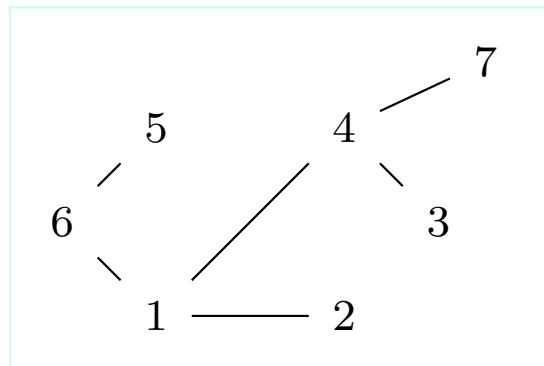


# Forests and trees

- **Forest:** graph with no cycles



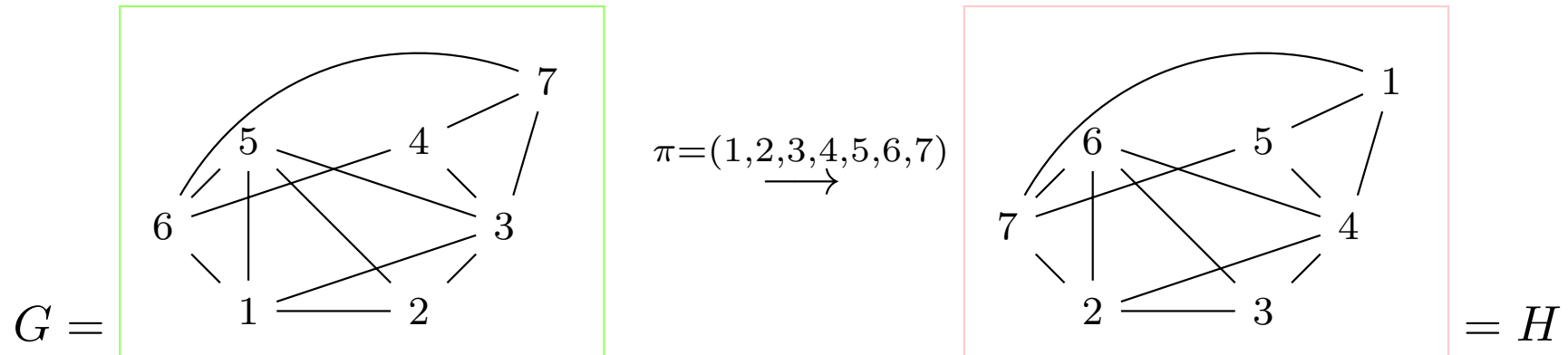
- **Tree:** connected forest



- **Spanning tree subgraph of a graph  $G$ :** **spanning tree of  $G$**

# Graph isomorphism

- $|V| = n$ ,  $S_n$  symmetric group of order  $n$   
 $\pi \in S_n$  permutes  $V$ , get new graph  $H = \pi G = (\pi V, \pi E)$



- $\exists \pi \in S_n (G = \pi H) \Rightarrow G, H$  isomorphic,  $\pi$  graph isomorphism
- If  $(\pi G = G)$ , then  $\pi$  is an automorphism of  $G$

Automorphism group of  $G$  is  $\text{Aut}(G) = \langle (1, 5), (4, 7) \rangle \cong C_2 \times C_2$

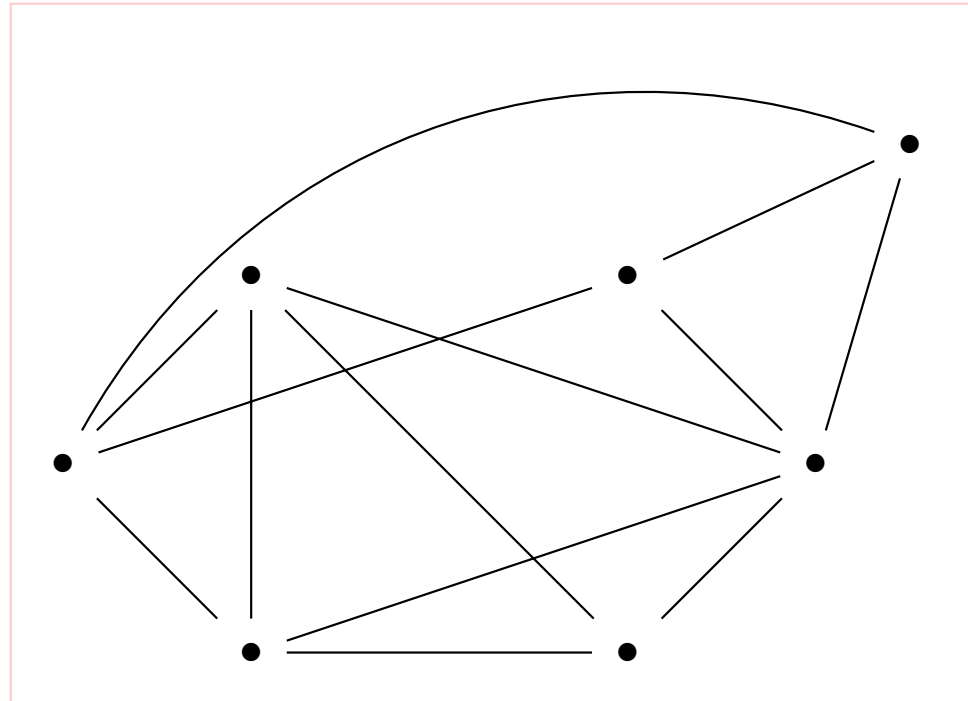
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# Graphs modulo symmetry

- Symmetries act on vertex labels
- Ignore labels: *equivalence classes of graphs modulo symmetry*



- Unlabelled graphs

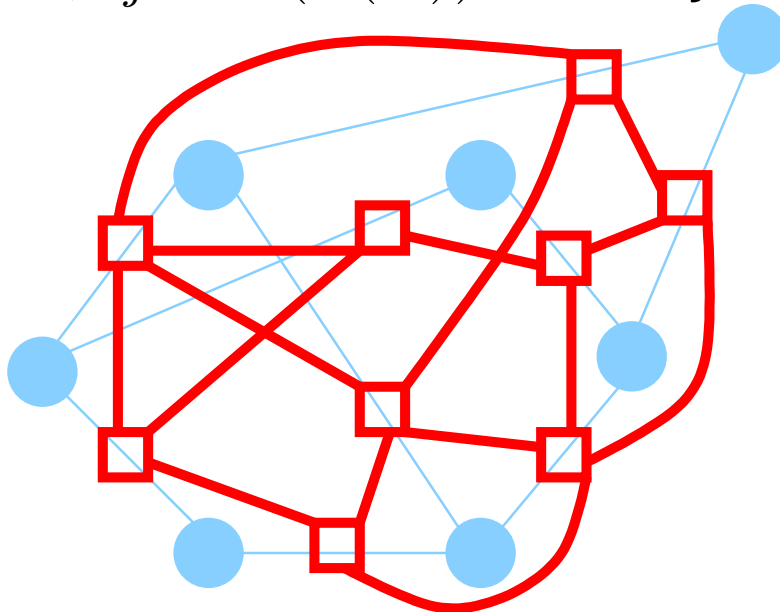
# Line graphs

- Graph  $G = (V, E)$  with  $E = \{e_1, \dots, e_m\}$
- Line graph of  $G$ :

$$L(G) = (E, \{\{e_i, e_j\} \mid e_i \cap e_j \neq \emptyset\})$$

**Vertex of  $L(G) \Leftrightarrow$  edge of  $G$**

- $e_i, e_j \in V(L(G))$  are adjacent  $\Leftrightarrow \exists v \in V$  s.t.  $e_i, e_j \in \delta_G(v)$



**Property:** the degree  $|N_{L(G)}(e)|$  of a vertex  $e = \{u, v\}$  of  $L(G)$  is  $|N_G(u)| + |N_G(v)| - 2$ .

**Property:**  $L(G)$  can be constructed from  $G$  in polynomial time (how?)



# Operations on graphs

# Addition and removal

- Add a vertex  $v$ :

update  $V \leftarrow V \cup \{v\}$

- Add an edge  $e = \{u, v\}$ :

add vertices  $u, v$ , update  $E \leftarrow E \cup \{e\}$

- Remove an edge  $e = \{u, v\}$ :

update  $E \leftarrow E \setminus \{e\}$

- Remove a vertex  $v$ :

update  $V \leftarrow V \setminus \{v\}$  and  $E \leftarrow E \setminus \delta(v)$

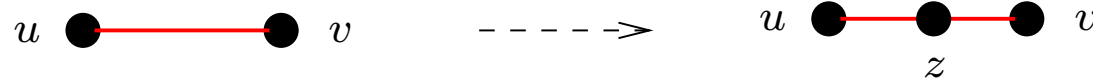
- Operations on sets of vertices/edges:

apply operation to each set element

# Subdivision and contraction

- Subdivide an edge  $e = \{u, v\}$ :

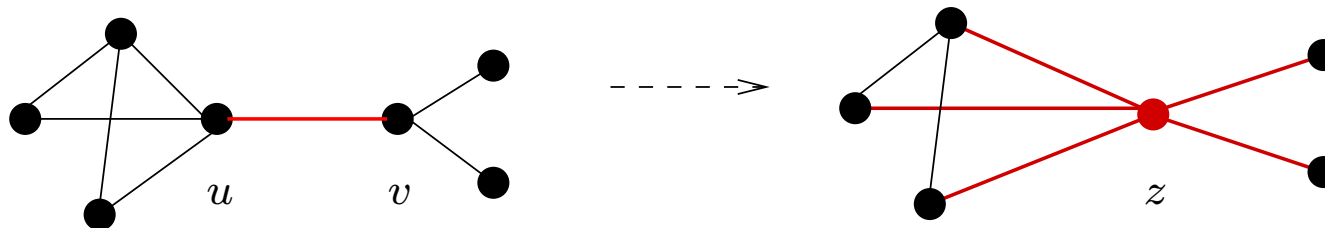
remove  $e$ , let  $z \notin V$ , add edges  $\{u, z\}$  and  $\{z, v\}$



- Contract an edge  $e = \{u, v\}$ :

contract( $G, e$ ):

- 1: Let  $N(e) = (N(u) \cup N(v)) \setminus \{u, v\}$
- 2: Let  $z$  be a vertex  $\notin V$ ;
- 3: Add vertex  $z$ ;
- 4: **for**  $v \in N(e)$  **do**
- 5:   Add edge  $\{v, z\}$ ;
- 6: **end for**
- 7: Remove edge  $e$ ;



# Subgraph contraction

- Let  $G = (V, E)$ ,  $U \subseteq V$  and  $H = G[U]$
- Contraction**  $G/U$ : “ $G$  modulo  $H$ ”

`contract( $G, U$ ):`

1: Let  $z$  be a new vertex  $\notin V$

2: Add vertex  $z$

3: **for**  $\{u, v\} \in \delta(H)$  (assume WLOG  $u \in U, v \in V \setminus U$ ) **do**

4:   Add edge  $\{v, z\}$

5:   Remove edge  $\{u, v\}$

6: **end for**

7: Remove  $G[U]$

8: **return**  $G$ ;

- At termination, subgraph  $H$  replaced by single vertex  $z$
- $G/U$  is formally defined to be `contract( $G, U$ )`

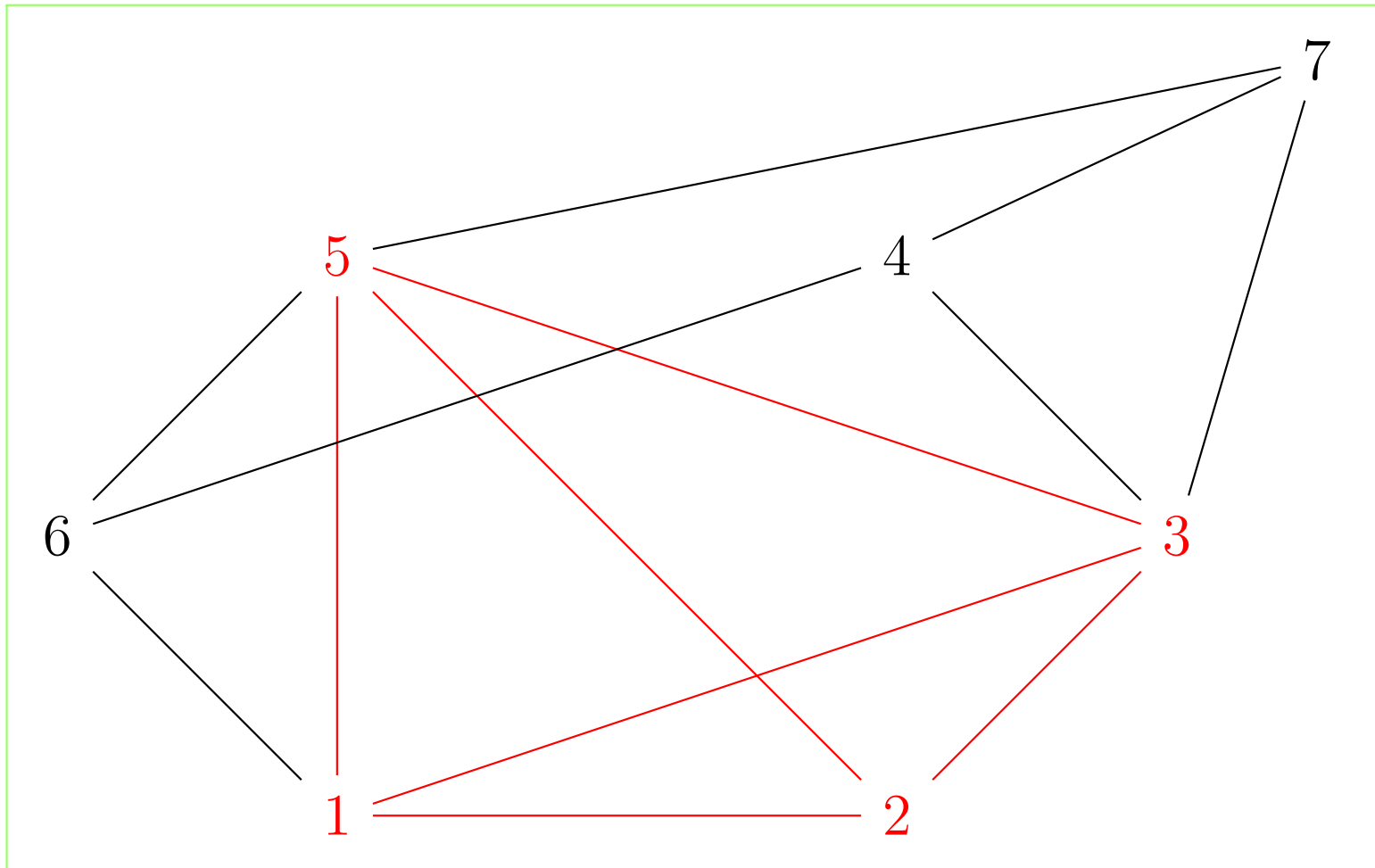
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Subgraph contraction is equivalent to a sequence of edge contractions



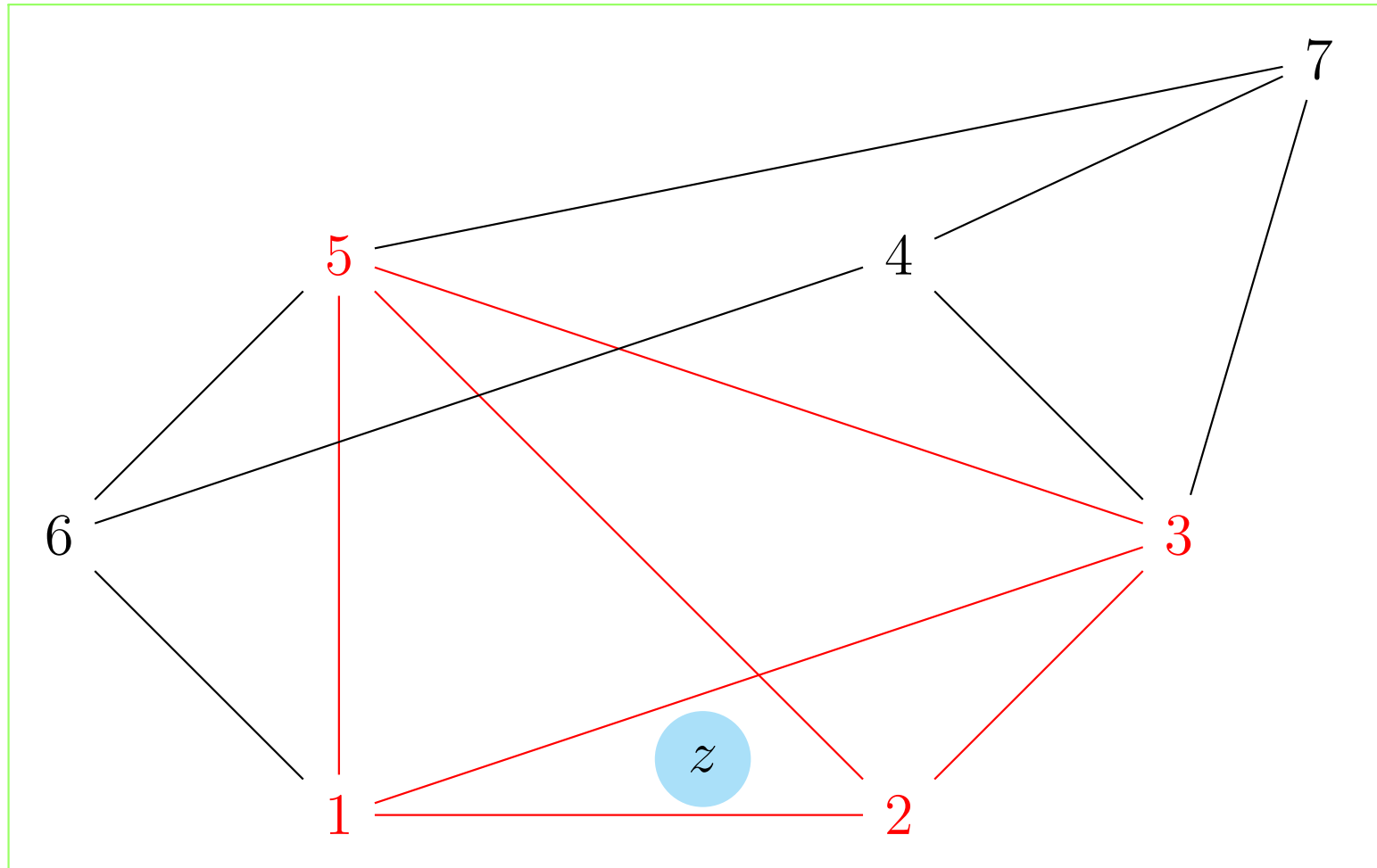
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$U = \{1, 2, 3, 5\}$ ,  $G[U]$  in red



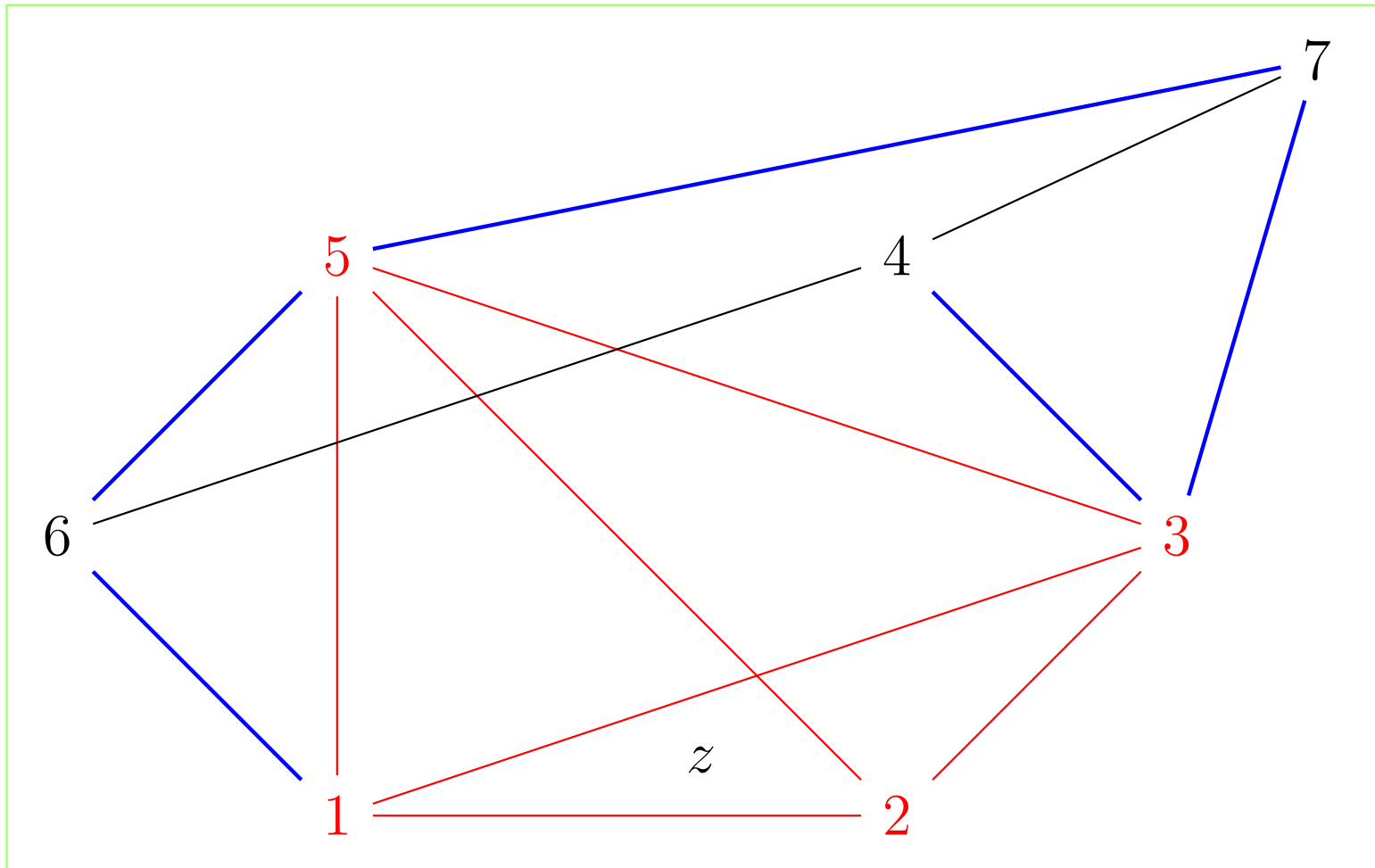
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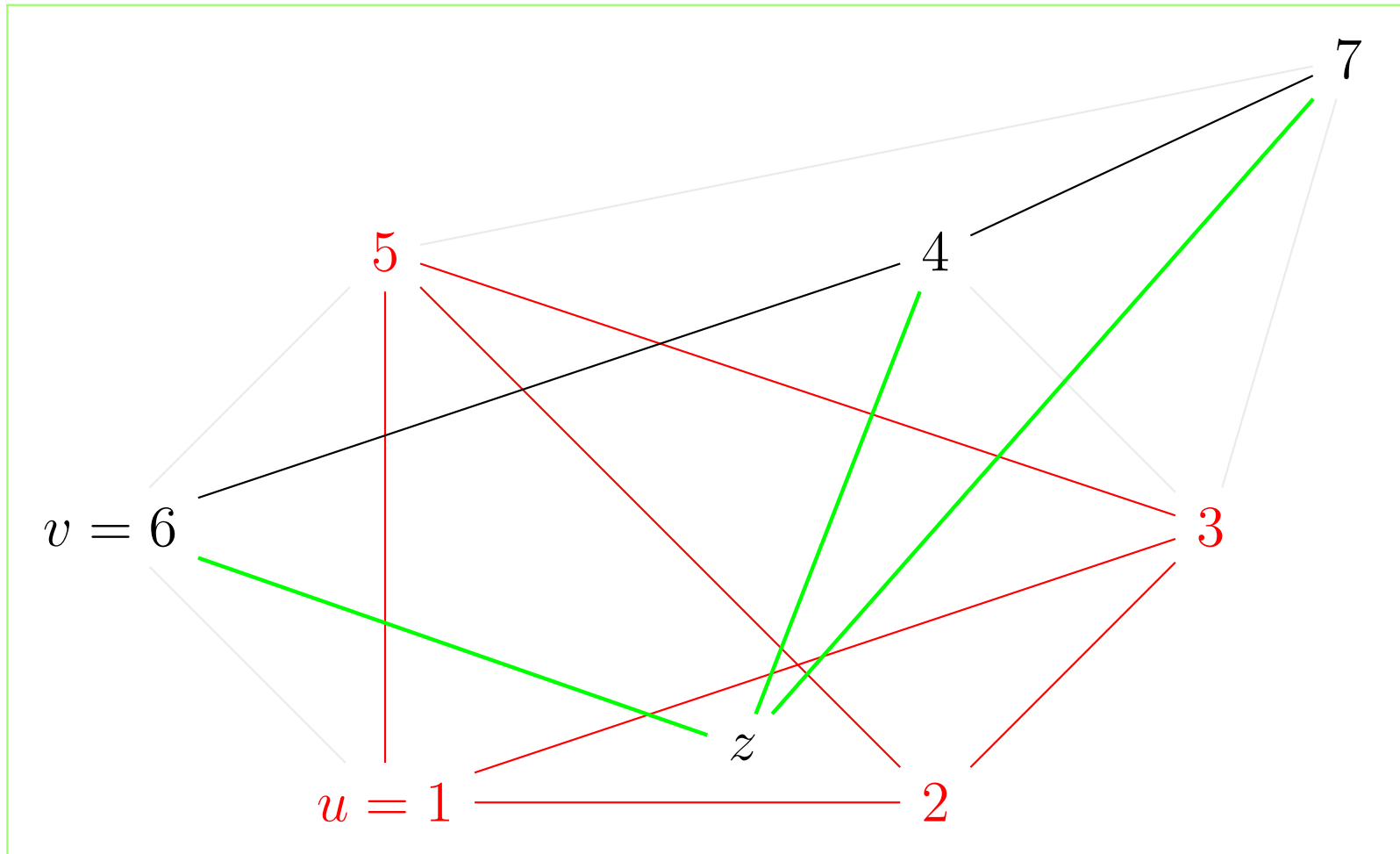
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$\delta(G[U])$  in blue (edges with just one endpoint in  $U$ )



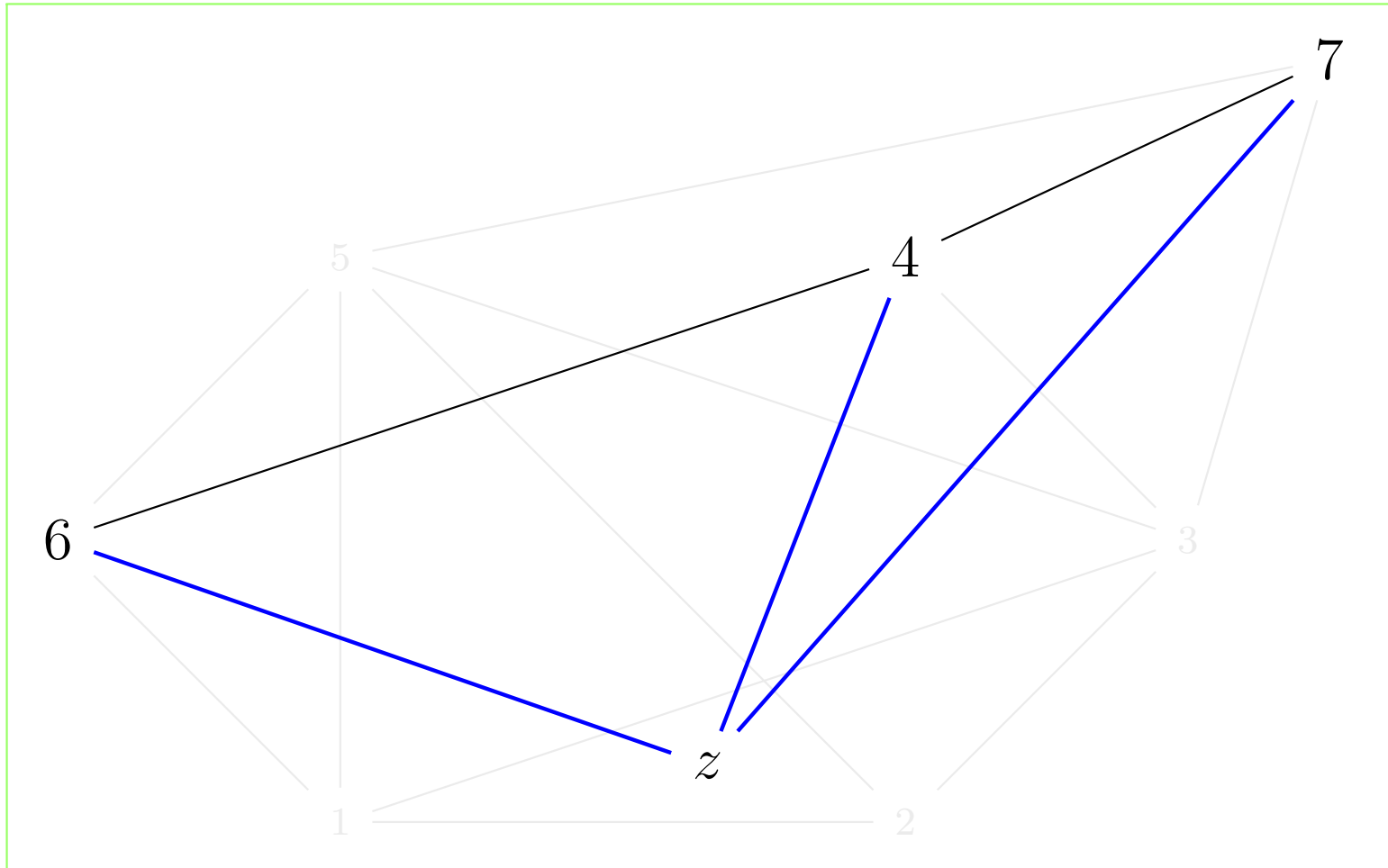
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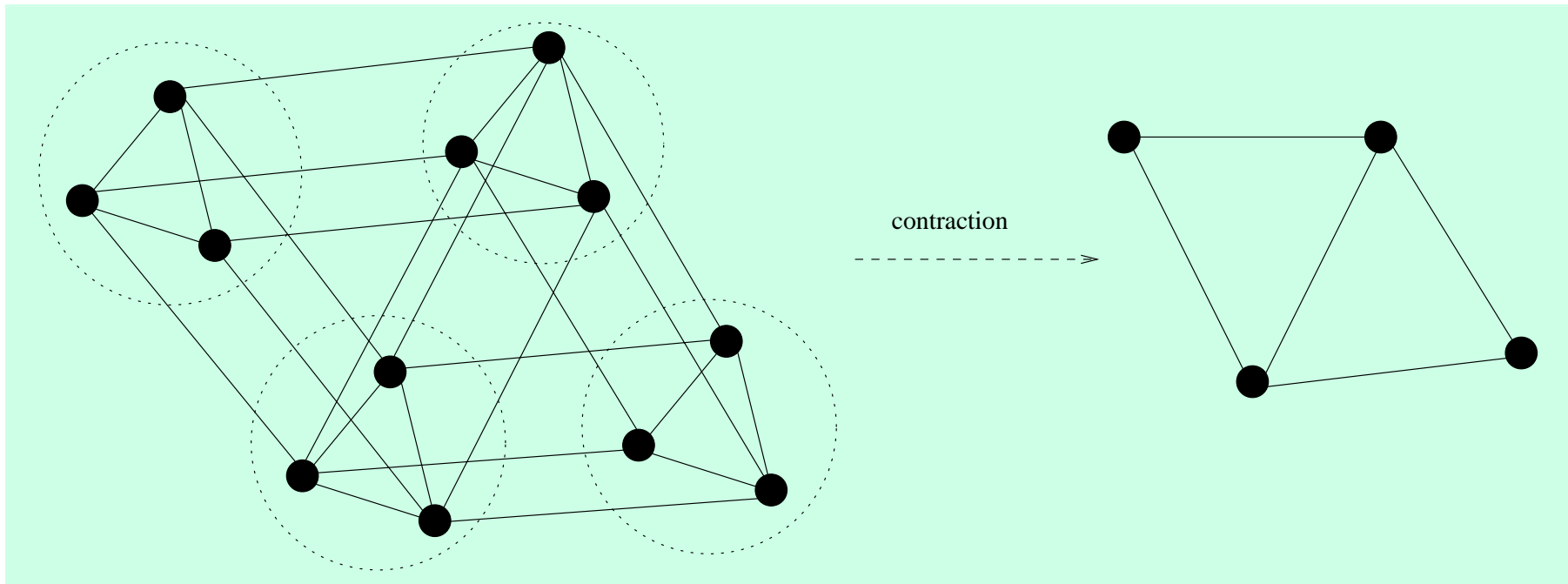
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Remove  $G[U]$  (end)



# Minors

- $F$  minor of  $G$ :  $F$  isomorphic to a contracted  $G$
- Useful to underline “essential structure”



*Contract some triangles*



# Combinatorial problems on graphs

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# Complexity classes

- **P**: decision problems whose YES/NO certificates can be found in polynomial time (of the instance size)
- **E.g. Given  $p, q, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , is  $pq = n$ ?**
- **NP**: class of decision problems whose YES certificates can be verified in polynomial time
- **E.g. Given graphs  $G, H$ , are they isomorphic?**

# Algorithms, problems, classes

Consider worst-case complexity

- **Complexity of an algorithm**: asymptotic performance on  $\infty$ ly many instances parametrized by  $n$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$
- Problem:  $\infty$ ly many instances
- **Complexity of a problem**: best algorithm for all instances in problem
- Problem class: all problems with similar complexity
- **Complexity classes**: classification of problems into “easy” and “hard”



# Graph optimization problems

- Given a decision problem,  $\exists$  a corresponding **optimization problem**

- Consider scalar function  $\mu : \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

- E.g.  $\mu$ : number of vertices/edges

- Class of optimization problems on graphs:

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Given a graph  $G$ , does it have a subgraph  $H$  with property  $P$  and min./max.  $\mu$  value?

- Given a property  $P$  and a function  $\mu$ , the set of instances of SOPS <sub>$P, \mu$</sub>  is an **optimization problem**

# Easy problems

- **P** = decision or optimization problems that can be solved in polynomial time = “easy problems ”

- MINIMUM SPANNING TREE (MST)

To be seen in Lecture 4

- SHORTEST PATH PROBLEM (SPP) from a vertex  $v$  to all other vertices

To be seen in Lecture 9

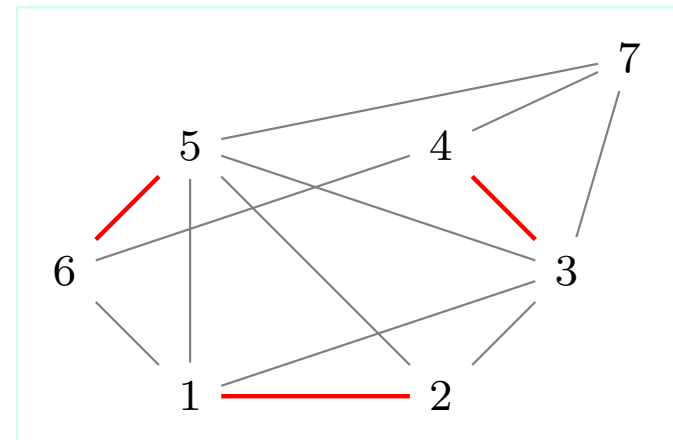
- MAXIMUM MATCHING problem (MATCHING)

Discussed in INF550

**Matching:** subgraph given by set of mutually non-adjacent edges

A maximum matching  $M$ ,

$$\mu(M) = |E(M)|$$



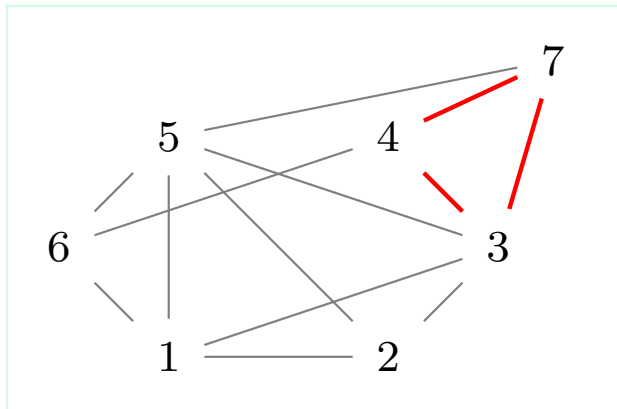


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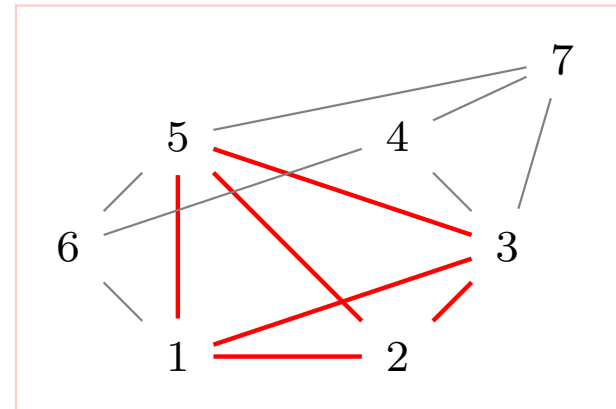
# Maximum clique

CLIQUE PROBLEM (CLIQUE). Given a graph  $G$ , what is the largest  $n$  such that  $G$  has  $K_n$  as a subgraph?

- In CLIQUE,  $P(H) \equiv [H = K(V(H))]$  and  $\mu(H) = |V(H)|$



A clique in  $G$



The largest clique in  $G$

- Applications to social networks and bioinformatics

# Clique and NP-completeness

- Decision version of CLIQUE:

$k$ -CLIQUE PROBLEM ( $k$ -CLIQUE). Given a graph  $G$  and an integer  $k > 0$ , does  $G$  have  $K_k$  as a subgraph?

- Consider the following result (which we won't prove)  
Thm.

[Karp 1972] If CLIQUE  $\in$  P then P = NP

- Any decision problem for which such a result holds is called **NP-complete**
- It is not known whether **NP-complete** problems can be solved in polynomial time; the current guess is NO



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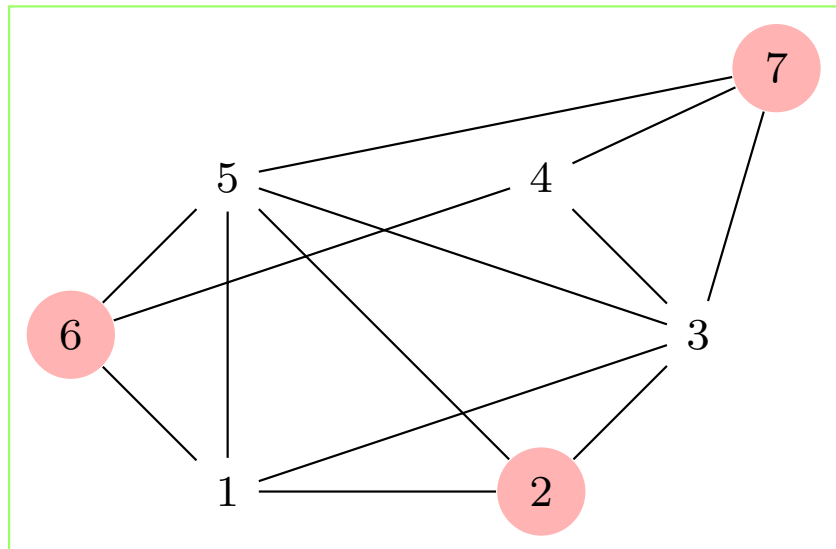
- **$f$ -Approximation** algorithm: heuristic s.t.  $\mu$ -value of YES certificate no worse than  $f(|G|)$  times optimal  $\mu$  value

# Stables

- **Stable (or independent set)** in  $G = (V, E)$ : subset  $U \subseteq V$   
s.t.  $\forall u, v \in U (\{u, v\} \notin E)$   
Thm.

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*a stable in  $G$*



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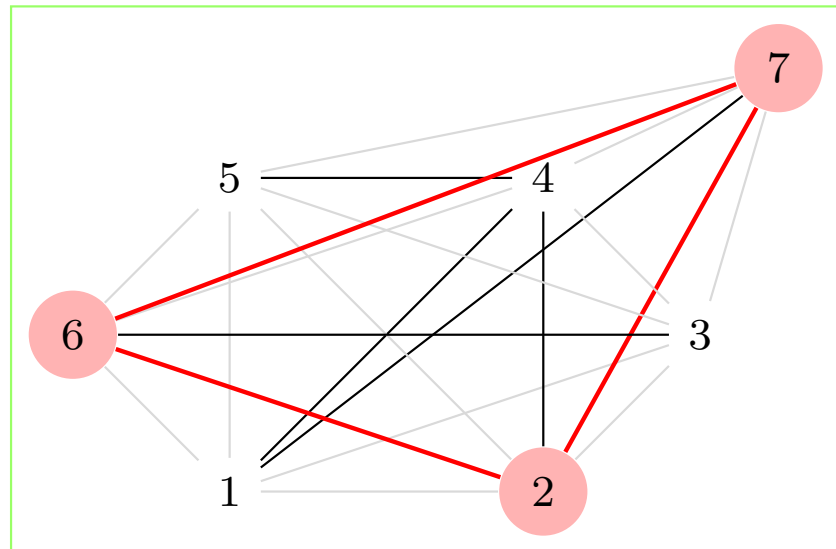
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Thm.

$k$ -STABLE is **NP**-complete

Proof

Consider an instance  $(G, k)$  of  $k$ -CLIQUE

The complement graph  $\bar{G}$  can be obtained in polynomial time (\*)

It is easy to show that  $\bar{\bar{G}} = G$  (\*\*)

By (\*\*) and previous thm.,

$(G, k)$  is a YES instance of  $k$ -CLIQUE iff  $(\bar{G}, k)$  is a YES instance of  $k$ -STABLE

By (\*), if  $k$ -STABLE  $\in \mathbf{P}$  then  $k$ -CLIQUE  $\in \mathbf{P}$  (transform to  $k$ -STABLE, solve, transform back)

By **NP**-completeness of  $k$ -CLIQUE,  $k$ -STABLE  $\in \mathbf{P}$  implies  $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{NP}$

Hence  $k$ -STABLE is **NP**-complete

- How to show that a problem  $\mathcal{P}$  is **NP**-complete:
  - Take another **NP**-complete problem  $\mathcal{Q}$  “similar” to  $\mathcal{P}$
  - Reduce (in polytime) an instance of  $\mathcal{Q}$  to an instance of  $\mathcal{P}$
  - Show reduction preserves the YES/NO property

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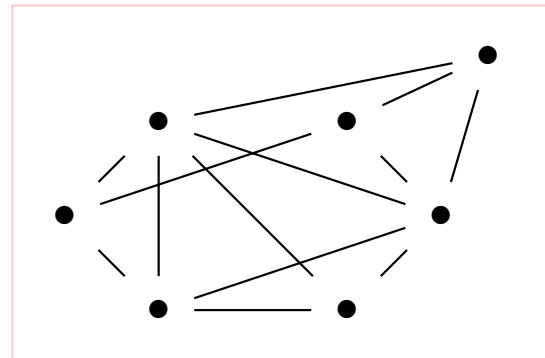
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*degree sequence*

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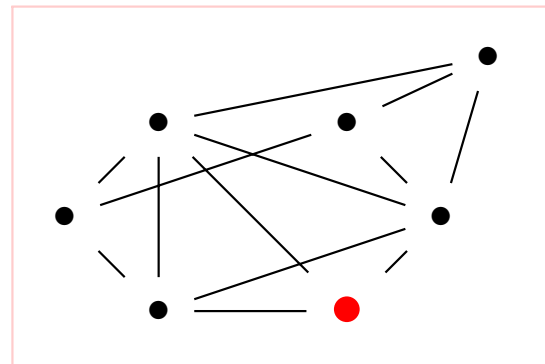
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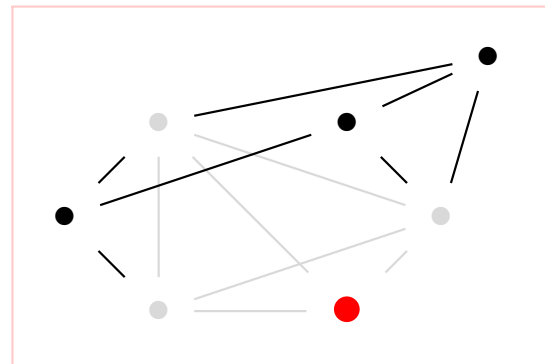
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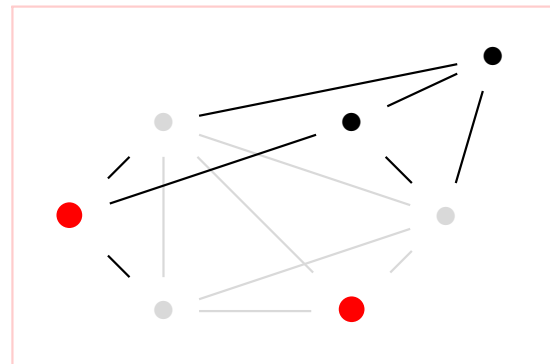
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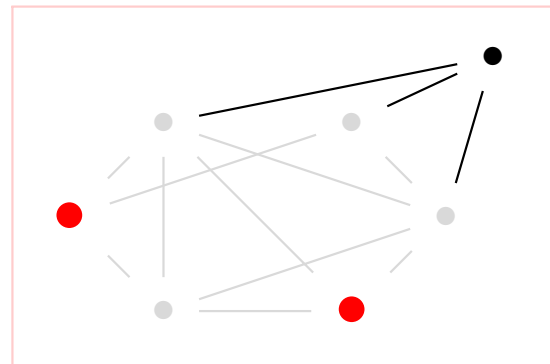
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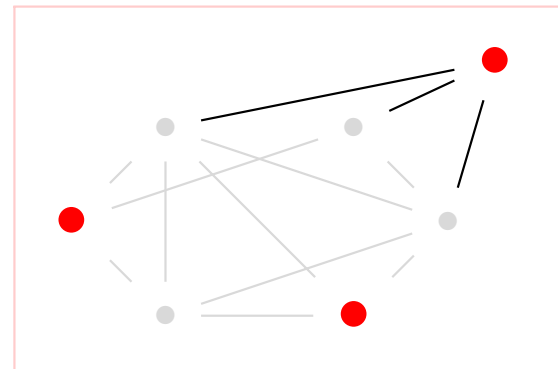
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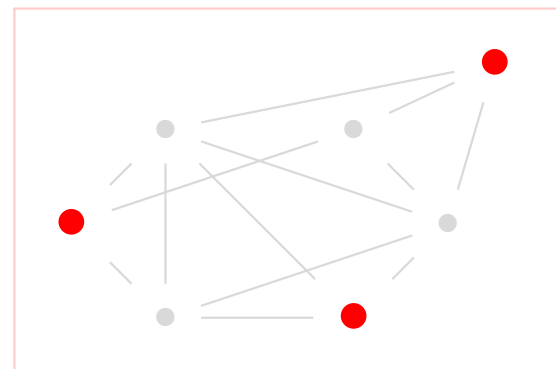
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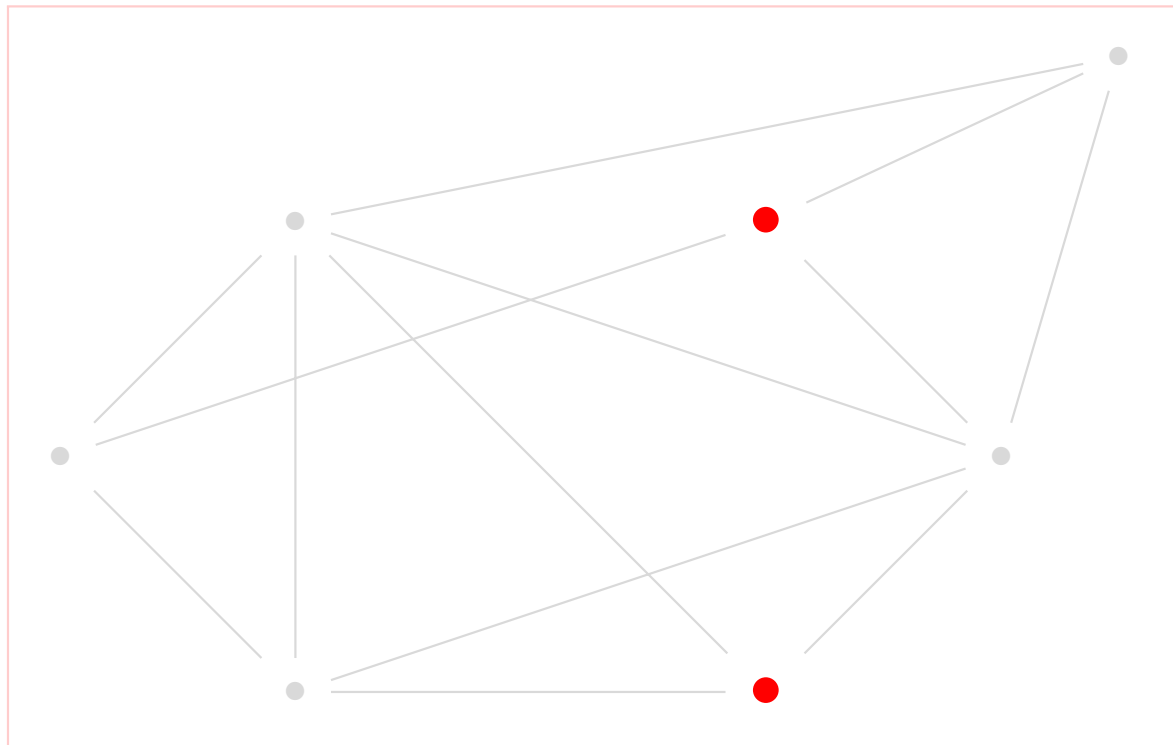
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*stop: maximal stable*



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# Heuristic fails

- Heuristic fails to find a maximum stable
- When choosing second element of  $U$ , take



- Algorithm stops with a stable of cardinality 2

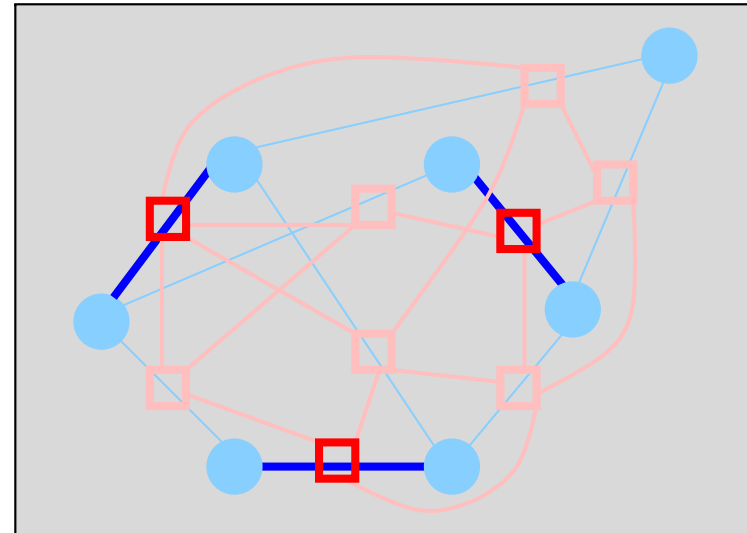
# Polynomial cases

- $P$  an **NP**-complete decision problem
- **Polynomial case:**  $C \subseteq P$  s.t.  $C \in \mathbf{P}$
- E.g.  $\mathcal{L} = \{H \in \mathbb{G} \mid \exists G \in \mathbb{G} (H = L(G))\}$
- $\mathcal{L} =$  graphs that are line graphs of another graph

Proof

Thm.

A maximum matching in  $G$  is a stable in  $L(G)$



- $\text{MATCHING} \in \mathbf{P}$  and finding  $L(G)$  is polytime  $\Rightarrow \text{STABLE}_{\mathcal{L}} \in \mathbf{P}$

# Vertex colouring



- Decision problem

VERTEX  $k$ -COLOURING PROBLEM ( $k$ -VCP). Given a graph  $G = (V, E)$  and an integer  $k > 0$ , find a function  $c : V \rightarrow \{1, \dots, k\}$  such that  $\forall \{u, v\} \in E (c(u) \neq c(v))$

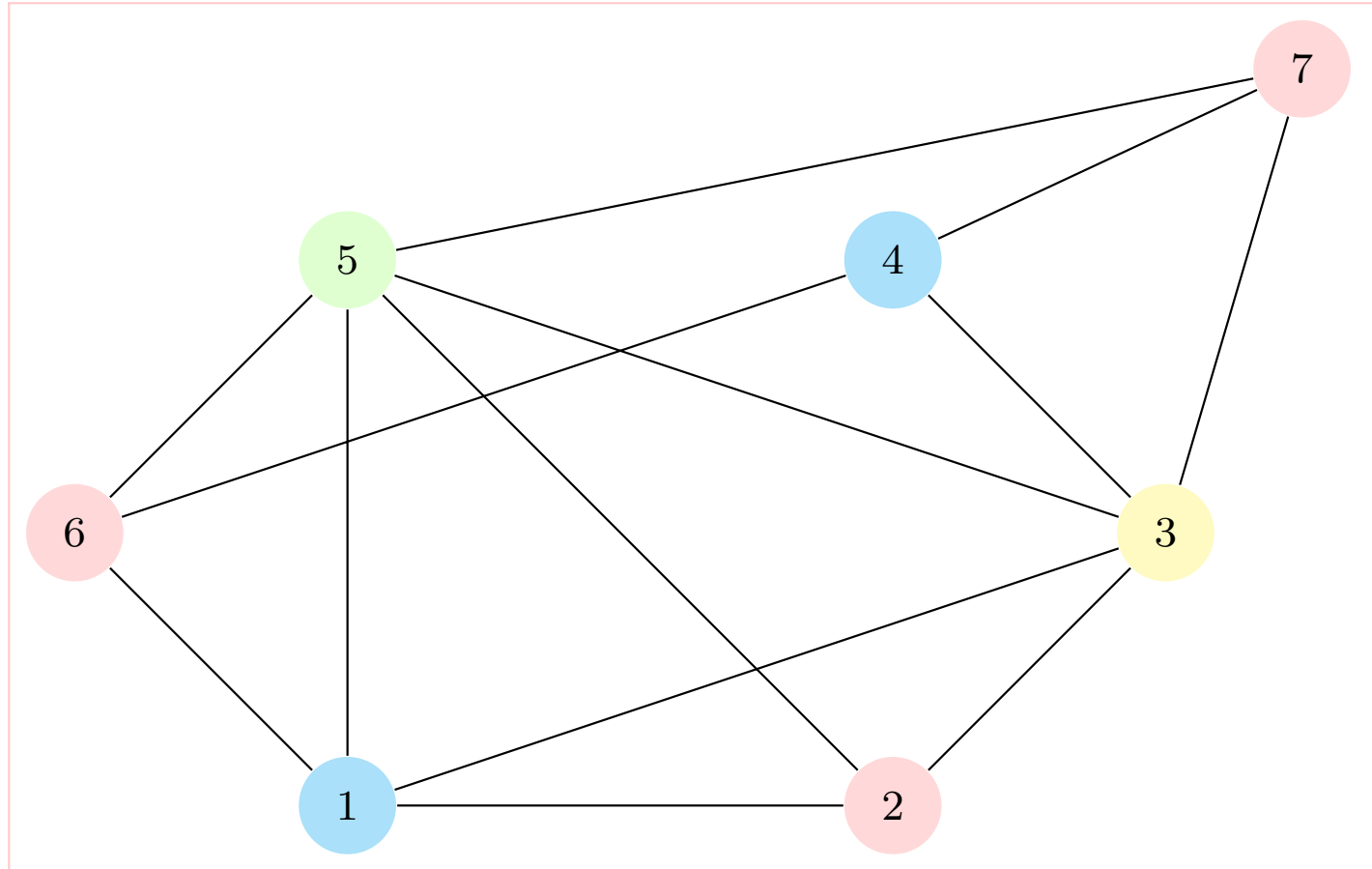
- Optimization problem

VERTEX COLOURING PROBLEM (VCP). Given a graph  $G = (V, E)$ , find the minimum  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that there is a function  $c : V \rightarrow \{1, \dots, k\}$  with  $\forall \{u, v\} \in E (c(u) \neq c(v))$

- Applications to scheduling and wireless networks

- In general, allocate resources to minimum number of classes without conflicts

# Vertex colouring example





# Vertex colouring heuristic

Thm.

Each color set  $C_k = \{v \in V \mid c(v) = k\}$  is a stable

- Use stable set heuristic as a sub-step

```
1:  $k = 1$ ;  
2:  $U = V$ ;  
3: while  $U \neq \emptyset$  do  
4:    $C_k = \text{maximalStable}(G[U])$ ;  
5:    $U \leftarrow U \setminus C_k$ ;  
6:    $k \leftarrow k + 1$ ;  
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- Worst-case:  $O(n)$  (given by an empty or complete graph)



# Model-and-solve



# Mathematical programming

- Take e.g. the STABLE problem
- Input (also called **parameters**):
  - set of vertices  $V$
  - set of edges  $E$
- Output:  $x : V \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$

$$\forall v \in V \quad x(v) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } v \in \text{maximum stable} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- We also write  $x_v = x(v)$
- We'd like  $x = (x_v \mid v \in V) \in \{0, 1\}^{|V|}$  to be the **characteristic vector** of the maximum stable  $S^*$
- $x_1, \dots, x_{|V|}$  are also called **decision variables**

# Objective function

- If we take  $x = (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$ ,  $S^* = \emptyset$  and  $|S^*| = 0$  (minimum possible value)
- If we take  $x = (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1) = \mathbf{1}$ ,  $|S^*| = |V| = 7$  has the maximum possible value
- Characteristic vector  $x$  should satisfy the **objective function**

$$\max_x \sum_{v \in V} x_v$$

# Constraints

- Consider the solution  $x = 1$
- $x$  certainly maximizes the objective
- ... but  $S^* = V$  is not a stable!

$x = 1$  is an infeasible solution

- The **feasible set** is the set of all vectors in  $\{0, 1\}^{|V|}$  which encode stable sets
- Defining property of a stable:

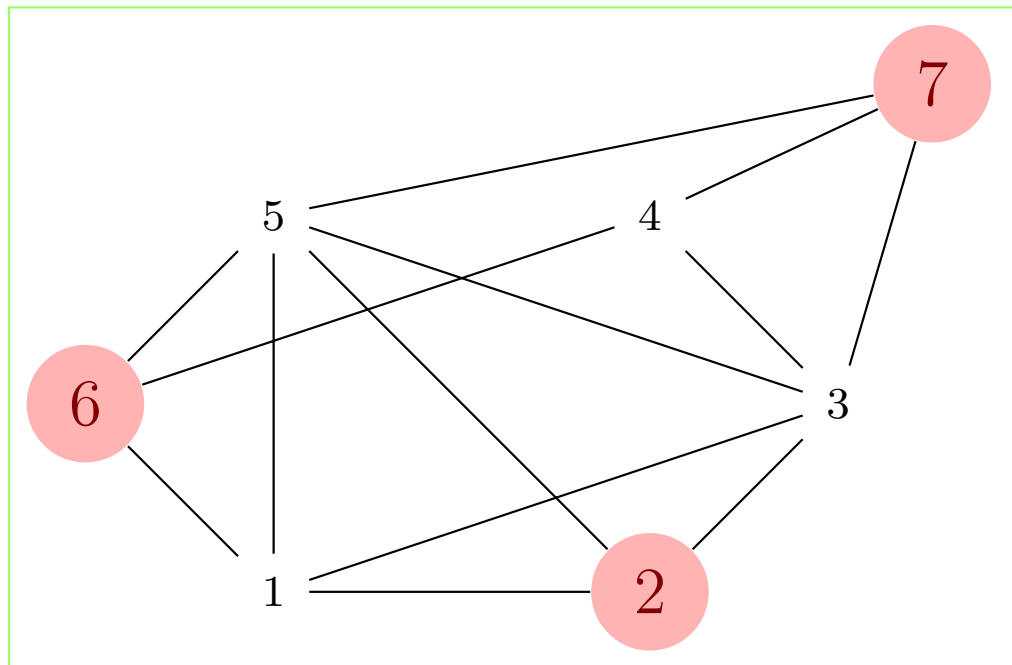
Two adjacent vertices cannot both belong to the stable

- In other words,  
*choose at most one vertex adjacent to each edge*
- Written formally,

$$\forall \{u, v\} \in E \quad x_u + x_v \leq 1$$

# Verify the constraints

- $x = (0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1)$  encodes  $S^* = \{2, 6, 7\}$
- $x_u + x_v = 2$  only for  $\{u, v\} \in F = \{\{2, 6\}, \{2, 7\}, \{6, 7\}\}$
- Notice  $F \cap E = \emptyset$
- Hence,  $x_u + x_v \leq 1$  for all  $\{u, v\} \in E$





# So what?

- OK, so the **Mathematical Programming (MP)** formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \max_x \quad & \sum_{v \in V} x_v \\ \forall \{u, v\} \in E \quad & x_u + x_v \leq 1 \\ & x \in \{0, 1\}^{|V|} \end{aligned}$$

describes `STABLE` correctly

- As long as we can't solve it, why should we care?

# The magical method

- But WE CAN!
- Use generic MP solvers
- These algorithms can solve *ANY* MP formulation expressed with linear forms, or *prove* that there is no solution
- Based on **Branch-and-Bound** (BB)
- The YES certificate is the characteristic vector of a feasible solution
- The NO certificate is the whole BB tree, which implicitly (and intelligently) enumerates the feasible set
- YES certificate lengths are polynomial, NO certificates may have exponential length





# CLIQUE and MATCHING

- Clique (use complement graph):

$$\begin{aligned} \max_x \quad & \sum_{v \in V} x_v \\ \forall \{u, v\} \notin E, u \neq v \quad & x_u + x_v \leq 1 \\ & x \in \{0, 1\}^{|V|} \end{aligned}$$

- Matching:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_x \quad & \sum_{\{u, v\} \in E} x_{uv} \\ \forall u \in V \quad & \sum_{v \in N(u)} x_{uv} \leq 1 \\ & x \in \{0, 1\}^{|E|} \end{aligned}$$

**Warning:** although  $\text{MATCHING} \in \mathbf{P}$ , solving the MP formulation with BB is exponential-time



# How to

- Come see me, I'll give you a personal demo
- Go to `www.amp1.com` and download the AMPL software, student version
- AMPL is for modelling, i.e. writing MP formulations
- Still from `www.amp1.com`, you can download a student version of the ILOG CPLEX BB implementation



# And tomorrow?

If you're interested in modelling problems as MPs

- M1:
  - MAP557 (Optimization: Theory and Applications)
- M2:
  - MPRO (Master Parisien en Recherche Operationnelle)  
<http://uma.ensta-paristech.fr/mpro/>



**The end**