

Hamiltonian bipartite graphs in dense graphs

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For a graph G , define $\sigma_2(G)$ by

$$\sigma_2(G) = \min\{\deg_G x + \deg_G y : x, y \in V(G), x \neq y, xy \notin E(G)\}.$$

If G is a bipartite graph with partite sets X and Y , we define $\sigma_{1,1}(G)$ by $\sigma_{1,1}(G) = \min\{\deg_G x + \deg_G y : x \in X, y \in Y, xy \notin E(G)\}$. Ore's Theorem says that every graph G of order $n \geq 3$ with $\sigma_2(G) \geq n$ is hamiltonian. For a balanced bipartite graph G of order $2n \geq 4$, Moon and Moser proved that if $\sigma_{1,1}(G) \geq n+1$, then G is hamiltonian. This theorem says that a condition weaker than that of Ore's Theorem guarantees the existence of a hamiltonian cycle in the class of balanced bipartite graphs.

In this talk, we investigate the relationship between Ore's Theorem and The Moon-Moser Theorem. In particular, we observe that, though The Moon-Moser Theorem concerns a smaller class of graphs than Ore's Theorem, it "almost" implies Ore's Theorem.

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