

# GRAPHS

(MTAT.05.080, 4 AP/6 ECTS)

Lectures: Fri 12:15, aud. 405 (lecturer: Jan Willemson)

Tutorials: Mon 14:15, aud. 403 (tutor: Meelis Kull)

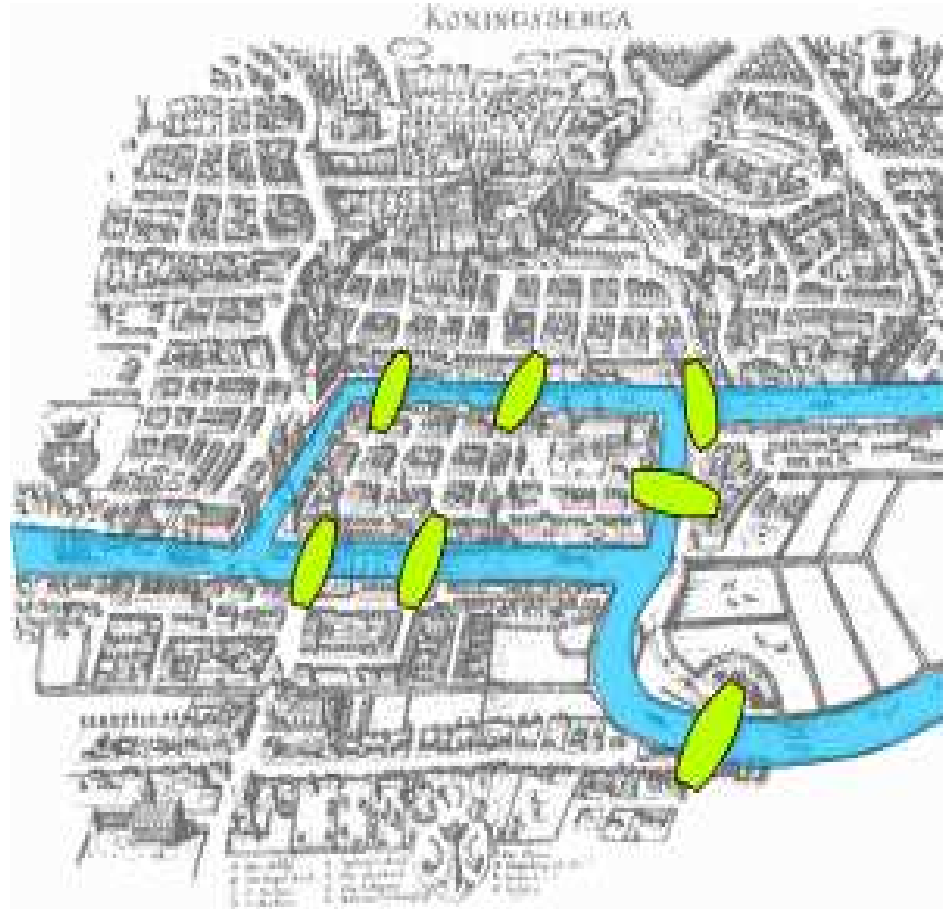
Thu 12:15, aud. 206 (tutor: Liina Kamm)

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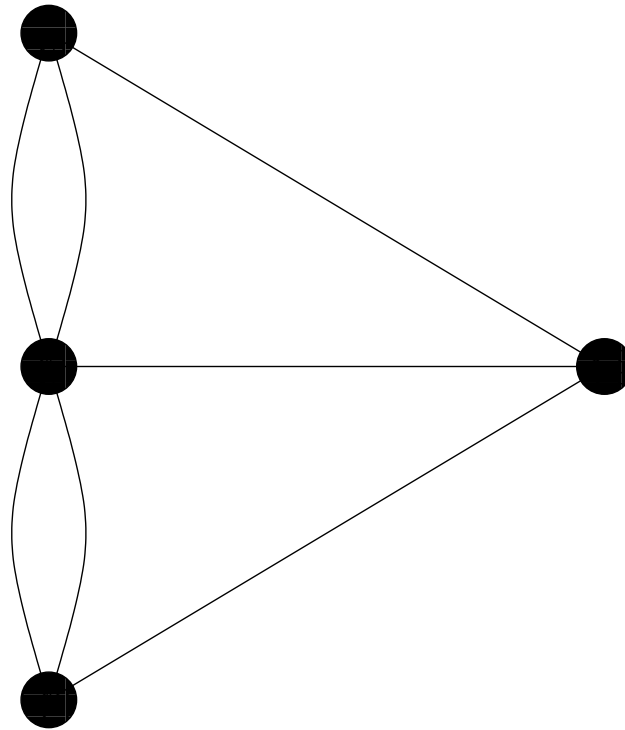
In order to pass: 4 tests or examination.

## Königsberg, 1736



Does there exist a walk that would cross every bridge exactly once and return to the beginning?

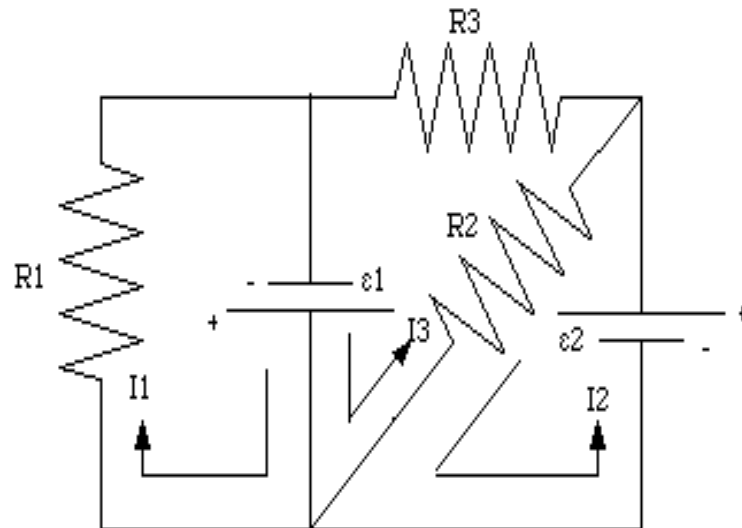
Graphical representation of the Königsbergi bridge problem:  
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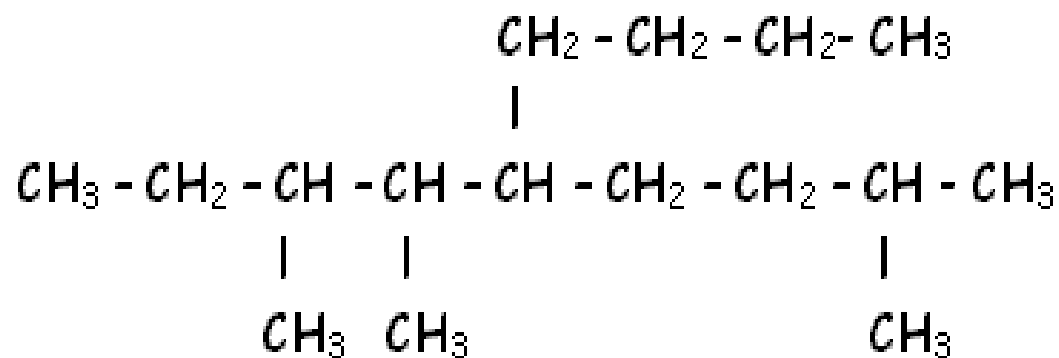
Euler: "Such a walk is impossible!"

## Kirchhoff laws (1847):

- At any point in an electrical circuit, the sum of currents flowing towards that point is equal to the sum of currents flowing away from that point.
- The directed sum of the electrical potential differences around a circuit must be zero.



Sir Arthur Cayley (1857): “How many isomers of alkanes  $C_nH_{2n+2}$  are there?”





*Graph* is an abstraction that can be used to study objects and binary relations between them.

The objects we are interested in will be called *vertices* of the graph and the pairs of objects in the relation will be called *edges* of the graph.

Since relations may be different, the corresponding graphs may or may not have certain properties, e.g.

- orientation
- multiplicity of the edges
- loops
- finiteness

A graph with finite number of vertices, undirected edges, without multiple edges and loops is called a simple graph.

*Simple graph*  $G$  consist of two sets:

- *vertex set*  $V$  (or  $V(G)$ ) and
- *edge set*  $E$  (or  $E(G)$ ), such that  $E \subseteq \mathcal{P}_2(V)$ , where  $\mathcal{P}_2(V)$  denotes the set of 2-element subsets of  $V$ .