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Articles of (and about)

Erdős, Pál; Harary, Frank; Tutte, W.T.

On the dimension of a graph (In English)

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The following concept of the dimension of a graph is presented: The dimension G of a graph G is the minimum number n such that G can be embedded into Euclidean n-space  $E_n$  with every edge of G having length 1. Some of the results: For the complete graph  $K_m$  with m vertices  $\dim K_m = m-1$ ; for the complete bicoloured graph  $K_{m,n}$ ,  $\dim K_{m,n} \leq 4$ , for n-dimensional cube  $Q_n$ , n > 1, is  $\dim Q_n = 2$  for all n. For any graph G with chromatic number  $\chi(G)$ ,  $\dim G \leq 2 \cdot \chi(G)$ .

If dim G=2, then  $\chi(G) \leq 7$ . Among all graphs with n vertices, q edges, and dimension 2k or 2k+1,  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \max qn^{-2} = \frac{1}{2}(1-k^{-1})$ . Among any n points of  $E_4$  the distance 1 between pairs of points can occur at most  $n+\lfloor n^2/4 \rfloor$  times, and this number can be realized if  $n \equiv 0 \pmod 8$ .

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05C35 Extremal problems (graph theory)

05C15 Chromatic theory of graphs and maps

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