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On the capacity of graphs. (In English)

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Let G_n be a graph of n vertices. Denote by $v(G_n)$ the capacity of G_n (i.e. the number of non isomorphic spanned (in other words induced) subgraphs of G_n). Put $v(n) = \max_{G_n} v(G_n)$. Clearly $n \leq v(n) \leq 2^n - 1$. Goldberg conjectured $\lim_{n\to\infty} v(n)/2^n = 0$. The authors disprove this conjecture and in fact prove the following stronger Theorem. For every $\epsilon > 0$ and almost all graphs G_n (i.e. all but $o(2^{\binom{n}{2}})$ graphs G_n) we have $v(G_n) > 2^n - 2^{n(1+\epsilon)/2}$. On the other hand for all graphs G_n we have $v(G_n) \leq 2^n - 2^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} - 1$. After submitting their paper the authors found that their main result has been proved earlier in a somewhat different form by A. D. Korshunov [Mat. Zametki 9, 263-273 (1971; Zbl 206.26201), Engl. translation in Math. Notes 9, 155-160 (1971; Zbl 226.05118)].

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