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Articles of (and about)

Erdős, Paul; Faudree, Ralph J.; Pach, János; Spencer, Joel How to make a graph bipartite. (In English)

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The following theorems are proved:

- (1) Every triangle-free graph with n vertices and m edges can be made bipartite by the omission of at most  $\min\{(m/2) - 2m(2m^2 - n^3)/[n^2(n^2 - 2m)], m - m^2\}$  $4m^2/n^2$ } edges.
- (2) There exists a constant  $\epsilon > 0$  such that every triangle-free graph with n vertices can be made bipartite by the omission of at most  $(1/18 - \epsilon + o(1))n^2$
- (3) For every forbidden graph F and for every c > 0 there exists a constant  $\epsilon = \epsilon(F,c) > 0$  such that any F-free graph with n vertices and  $m > cn^2$  edges can be made bipartite by the omission of at most  $m/2 - \epsilon n^2$  edges.
- (4) If f = f(n, m) is the maximum integer such that every triangle-free graph with n vertices and at least m edges contains an induced bipartite subgraph with at least f edges then
- (i)  $(1/2)m^{1/3} 1 \le f(n,m) \le cm^{1/3}\log^2 m$  if  $m < n^{3/2}$ ,
- (ii)  $4m^2/n^4 \le f(n,m) \le c(m^3/n^4) \log^2(n^2/m)$  if  $m \ge n^{3/2}$ .

Several related questions, generalizations and unsolved problems are also considered.

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