

GRAPH THEORY SEMINAR

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2011
3:30-4:30 P.M., KT 220

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TITLE: AN INTRODUCTION TO PRIMAL GRAPHS

Abstract:

In 1969, Dewdney showed there is a unique set P of graphs, called primal graphs, so that:

- (i) every graph G is the union of non-isomorphic edge-disjoint subgraphs, each a member of P ; and
- (ii) for G in P , the only such union consists only of G .

Although several papers have been published about primal graphs, we still have to classify P . This talk will present introductory material on primal graphs, as well as recent results for primal graphs, and conjectures.