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Discrete Mathematics Graph Theory – 2

Constructing non-intersecting roads

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Let us revisit the problem we were discussing a while back, given 3 houses and 3 utilities how do we end up constructing roads between these houses and the utilities, (Refer Slide Time: 00:17)



the point is every single house should have 3 roads emanating from them to 3 different utilities, but we must ensure that none of these roads cross each other, (Refer Slide Time: 00:29)



you see, you keep trying this you will realize that it is, it seems impossible we cannot do this, problem 1, problem 2, assume these are the 5 friends, (Refer Slide Time: 00:45)



and they want to construct roads from their house to the others house, so this one person wants to construct 4 roads to each of his friends' houses, (Refer Slide Time: 00:59)



and everyone wants to do it, let's say if they had, if they were only 4 friends it's very easy to do this you see,

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this is the way to do it, with 5 friends can you construct roads such that no two roads intersect each other, they should not cross each other, is it possible? (Refer Slide Time: 01:23)



So try in a sheet of paper, write 5 dots and try to put roads between these dots in two dimensionally you should not construct flyovers, right, and see if you can construct roads between these 5 people without the roads crossing each other.

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