Graph theoretic proof of the Amitsur-Levitzki theorem

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Abstract

It is rather unusual that one can prove a non-trivial algebraic result by using some very basic graph theoretic concepts (usually it is the other way around!) – In this talk I introduce PI-algebras and show how one can prove the Amitsur-Levitzki Theorem using some basic graph theory. This approach is due to Bollobás.

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