CO444/644 Algebraic Graph Theory

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This course will provide an introduction to algebraic graph theory. Topics will include:

- 1. Cayley graphs, vertex transitive graphs
- 2. Graph homomorphisms
- 3. Eigenvalues of graphs
- 4. Vector colourings and quantum colourings of graphs.

Suggested reading: Godsil and Royle: Algebraic Graph Theory

Prerequisites: The course will cover parts of Chapters 1–3, 6–9 from the above reference. The graph theory demands are minimal. If you are unfamiliar with permutation groups, see Chapter 2 of the above (but I will go over the necessary background in some detail). There will be demands on your understanding of linear algebra.