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## 5.1.A.

### Method 1: Construction. (Lengthier)

I will show that for every tree I can find a 2-coloring as follows:

- given a tree, pick a random node  $v$  as root.
- run BFS.
- colour nodes of <sup>odd</sup> depth : black.
- colour nodes of even depth : white.

Now, I need to prove that there does not exist two

adj: nodes  $u, v$   $(u, v) \in E$  such that

$$c(u) = c(v) \quad \text{where } c() \text{ is the color of a node.}$$

I can prove this by contradiction:

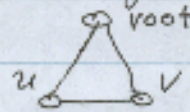
Assume there is  $u, v \in V$ ,  $(u, v) \in E$

$$\text{and } c(u) = c(v).$$

The main idea: this is impossible because then

a) Either  $d[u] = d[v]$  in BFS and therefore there exists a cycle

(needs more elaborate proof)



b) or  $d[u] = d[v] + 1$  (or vice versa)

and then one is even and one odd so according to our coloring they should have different colours

Method 2: Induction on the number of nodes of a (shorter) tree.

Hyp: a size  $n$  tree is two colorable, base for  $n=2$ .