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Rational Residue Graph*.

In 1962, Horst Sachs introduced Paley graphs to the world of mathematics. Paley graphs tie together graph theory and number theory by letting the vertices of our graph be the elements of \mathbb{F}_p for $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and an edge occurs between two vertices a and b if $a - b$ is a quadratic residue in \mathbb{F}_p . Similar to Sachs' invention, the rational residue graph has vertices coming from elements of a field of prime order $p \equiv 1 \pmod{2^{t+1}}$ and the edges are formed between vertices a and b when $a - b$ is a 2^t th residue. The properties of rational residues create symmetry in these graphs, which will provide us with a formula for the number of triangles in rational residue graphs. (Received June 3, 2011)