

COURSE CODE: 10B1WCI733

MAX. MARKS: 25

COURSE NAME: Graph Algorithms and Applications

COURSE CREDITS: 3

MAX. TIME: 1Hr 30 Min

Note: All questions are compulsory.

1. [2.5 + 2.5 Marks] [CO 3]
 - a. State and prove Hall's theorem.
 - b. The people in a club are planning their summer vacations. Trips t_1, \dots, t_n are available, but trip t_i has capacity c_i . Each person likes some of the trips and will travel on at most one. In terms of which people like which trips, derive a necessary and sufficient condition for being able to fill all trips (to capacity) with people who like them.
2. [2.5 + 2.5 Marks] [CO 3]
 - a. Prove or disprove: Every maximal matching in a graph G has at least $\alpha'(G) / 2$ edges ($\alpha'(G)$ is the maximum size of matching).
 - b. Show how to use the Hungarian Algorithm to test for the existence of a perfect matching in a bipartite graph.
3. [2.5 + 2.5 Marks] [CO 2]
 - a. Prove or disprove: For a given network, the value of a maximum flow is equal to the capacity of a minimum cut.
 - b. For the network shown in Figure 1, the arc from vertex v to vertex w has flow capacity 1, while the other arcs have capacity M , which could be made arbitrarily large. If the choice of augmenting flow path at each iteration were to alternate between the directed path (s, v, w, t) and the quasi-path (s, w, v, t) . Compute the number of iterations to obtain the maximum flow.

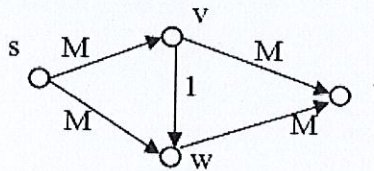


Figure 1

4. [2.5 + 2.5 Marks] [CO 3]
 - a. Prove or disprove: If $G = F \cup H$, then $\chi(G) \leq \chi(F) + \chi(H)$. ($\chi(G)$ is the chromatic number of graph G)
 - b. Provide two examples of applications which can be modeled as vertex-coloring problems.
5. [2.5 + 2.5 Marks] [CO 2]
 - a. Suppose you are given a weighted graph $G = (V, E)$ with a distinguished vertex s and where all edge weights are positive and distinct. Is it possible for a tree of shortest paths from s and a minimum spanning tree in G to not share any edges? If so, give an example. If not, give a reason.
 - b. Let G be a graph with more than k vertices that is not a complete graph. Prove that if G is not k -connected, then G has a separating set of size $k - 1$.