

Discrete Mathematics (Quiz 2)

Date and Time: April 15, 2025
6 p.m to 7 p.m

1. Prove that if all the vertices of a bipartite graph G have the same degree d , then it has a perfect matching. Let E_0 be a set of any $d - 1$ edges in G . Show that $G - E_0$ has a perfect matching.
5+5=10 points

2. There are n people who need to be assigned to n houses. Each person ranks the houses in some order, with no ties. After the assignment is made, it is observed that every other assignment would assign at least one person to a house that the person ranks lower than the house in the given assignment. Prove that at least one person receives his or her top choice in the given assignment.
10 points

3. Let G be a simple graph such that the minimum degree of any vertex is $\geq k$. If $k \geq 2$, show that there is a cycle in the graph of length at least $k + 1$.
10 points

4. Let us consider a complete directed graph/tournament (between every pair of vertices, there exists exactly one directed edge). A king in a tournament is a vertex v such that every other vertex is reachable from v via a directed path of length at most 2. Prove that in any tournament there is at least one king. Can there be more than one king in a tournament?
10 points

5. Let G be an undirected connected graph with distinct edge weights. Let e_{\max} be the edge with maximum weight and e_{\min} the edge with minimum weight. What can you say about the following statements? Give short justifications supporting your claims.

I Every minimum spanning tree of G must contain e_{\min} T

II Every minimum spanning tree must exclude e_{\max} T

III Every maximum spanning tree must include e_{\max} . T

10 points

