

1. Characterize when K_{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k} has a perfect matching.

Solution:

- (a) $r = \sum_{i=1}^k r_i$ is even.
(b) $r_i \leq r - r_i \Leftrightarrow r_i \leq \frac{r}{2}$

2. Prove that every tree has at most one perfect matching.

Solution: Assume that a tree T has two different perfect matching M_1 and M_2 . We consider $H = M_1 \cup M_2$. In H , every point is of degree 0 or 2. Thus, we can either find a circle or a single point in H . As $H \subseteq T$, which means T contains circle or single independent point, contradictory to the definition of trees.

3. Use Tutte's Theorem to prove Hall's Theorem.

Solution: A graph bipartite graph G can be separated into two components containing vertices set X and Y . Consider $|X| + |Y|$, if the value is odd, then add a point into Y . Connect all the points in Y to each other (form a complete graph) and we use G' to denote the new graph. X can be matched into $Y \Leftrightarrow G'$ has perfect matching $\Leftrightarrow \forall S \subseteq X, \Omega(G' - N(S)) \leq N(S)$. Consider $G' - N(S)$, there are at least $|S|$ components of order 1 (which are S actually). Thus, $|S| \leq \Omega(G' - N(S)) \leq |N(S)|$, which is the Hall's condition.

4. Show how to use the Hungarian Algorithm to test for the existence of a perfect matching in a bipartite graph.

Solution: Set the weights of the edge equally and apply the algorithm. If the sum of maximum matching equal to half of total weight, then there is a perfect matching.

5. Give an example of the stable matching problem with two men and two women in which there is more than one stable matching.

Solution: men: x, y women: a, b

$$\begin{aligned} x : a > b & \quad a : y > x \\ y : b > a & \quad b : x > y \end{aligned}$$

6. Determine the stable matchings resulting from the Proposal Algorithm run with men proposing and with women proposing, given the preference lists below.

Men $\{u, v, w, x, y, z\}$	Women $\{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$
$u : a > b > d > c > f > e$	$a : z > x > y > u > v > w$
$v : a > b > c > f > e > d$	$b : y > z > w > x > v > u$
$w : c > b > d > a > f > e$	$c : v > x > w > y > u > z$
$x : c > a > d > b > e > f$	$d : w > y > u > x > z > v$
$y : c > d > a > b > f > e$	$e : u > v > x > w > y > z$
$z : d > e > f > c > b > a$	$f : u > w > x > v > z > y$

Solution:

- Men proposing: ax, bw, cv, dy, ez, fu
 - Women proposing: uf, vc, wd, xe, yb, za
7. Find a transversal of maximum total sum (weight) in each matrix below. Prove that there is no larger weight transversal by exhibiting a solution to the dual problem. Explain why this proves that there is no larger transversal. (Definition: A transversal of an n -by- n matrix consists of n positions, one in each row and each column.)

(a)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 & 4 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 & 3 & 5 \\ 5 & 6 & 4 & 7 & 9 \\ 5 & 3 & 6 & 8 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

(b)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 7 & 8 & 9 & 8 & 7 \\ 8 & 7 & 6 & 7 & 6 \\ 9 & 6 & 5 & 4 & 6 \\ 8 & 5 & 7 & 6 & 4 \\ 7 & 6 & 5 & 5 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

(c)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 8 & 7 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 & 2 & 8 & 7 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 & 5 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

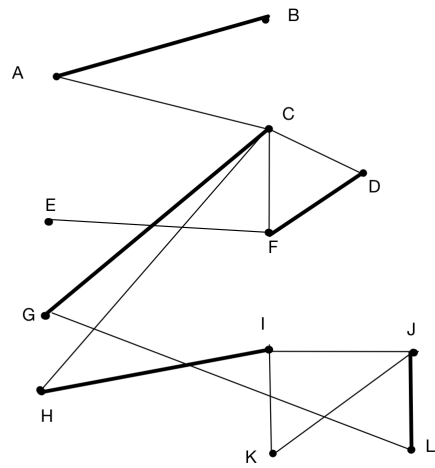
Solution: Use the Hungarian algorithm, and the max weights are 29, 36 and 28 separately.

8. Find a minimum-weight transversal in the matrix below, and use duality to prove that the solution is optimal. (Hint: Use a transformation of the problem.)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 & 8 & 10 & 11 \\ 7 & 6 & 5 & 7 & 4 \\ 8 & 5 & 12 & 9 & 6 \\ 6 & 6 & 13 & 10 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

Solution: Use Hungarian algorithm to find the maximum matching of 13 -matrix, the total weight will be 35. Use $13 * 6 - 35 = 30$ to get the solution of minimum transversal.

9. Apply Edmonds' Blossom Algorithm on the following graph. (The matching is the combination of bold lines in the graph. Let the initial M-unsaturated vertex be E.)



Solution: Notice: there is no blossom when applying the algorithm.
The augmenting path is EFDCGLJK.