

Assignment 1 solution

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Problem 1:

1) An algorithm for finding a minimum edge-cover

Input: G s.t. $0 < \delta(G)$.

Output: Q as a minimum edge-cover.

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1. : Let  $Q := (V(G), \emptyset)$ .
2. : for every  $v \in V(G)$ .
3. :     Mark  $v$  as VISITABLE.
4. : end-for
5. : for every  $v \in V(G)$  sort by  $\deg_G(v)$ .
6. :     if  $\deg_Q(v) = 0$ .
7. :         Let  $v \in N_G(v)$  s.t.  $u$  is VISITABLE and  $\deg_Q(u)$  is smallest.
8. :         if  $0 < \deg_Q(u)$  : mark  $v$  as UNVISITABLE.
9. :         if  $1 = \deg_Q(u)$  : mark  $u$ 's neighbor as UNVISITABLE.
10. :         Add  $uv$  to  $Q$ .
11. :     end-if
12. : end-for
13. : Return  $Q$ .
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2) The best running time known is $O(e(G) * \sqrt{v(G)})$ by Micali and Vazirani [1].

3) Run time analyzing for 1) algorithm (line by line):

1. $O(1)$
2. $O(v(G))$
3. $O(1)$
4. -
5. $O(v(G) * \log(v(G)))$ for the sorting, $O(v(G))$ loop iterations.
6. $O(1)$
7. $O(v(G))$ to find minimum
8. $O(1)$

9. $O(1)$

10. $O(1)$

11. -

12. -

13. $O(1)$

Toatl: $O(v(G)) + O(v(G) * \log(v(G))) + O(v(G) * v(G)) = O(v(G)^2)$

Problem 2:

Prove that: $\frac{n}{2} \leq \delta(G) \Rightarrow G$ has 1 - *factor*

1. (A)

$3 \leq e_G(\{x, y\}, \{u, v\}) \Rightarrow (ux, vy \in M) \vee (uy, vx \in M).$

$WLOG ux, vy \in M \Rightarrow (u, x, y, v)$ is a M-augmenting path.

(B)

Assuming that M isn't perfect, $\Rightarrow |M| < \frac{n}{2} \Rightarrow \exists u, v : uv \notin M.$

$uv \notin G$, otherwise M isn't maximal.

$e_G(\{u, v\}, G \setminus \{u, v\}) \geq n$

According to pigeonhole principle, $\exists x, y : xy \in M \wedge e_G(\{x, y\}, \{u, v\}) \geq 3 \Rightarrow$ according to (A) M has an augmenting path \Rightarrow according to Berge's theorem M isn't maximum. Contradiction. ■

2. Let G be a graph as in the premise. Let $S \subseteq V(G)$ be a subgraph. We will show that $C_o(G \setminus S) \leq |S|$. Let's start to count the connected components. First, let's take a look at 2 components: Each one has at least $\frac{n}{2} - |S| + 1$ vertices. So, in $G \setminus S$ we left with $n - |S| - 2 * (\frac{n}{2} - |S| + 1) = |S| - 2$ So it isn't possible to get more than $|S| - 2$ components here. When we will add the 2 components we counted earlier, we get at most $|S|$ components in $G \setminus S$. In particular there is at most $|S|$ odd components there. So, according to Tutte's theorem, there is a 1 - *factor* in G ■

Bibliography

[1] <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/BF01762129>