

# Math 322, A1

## Midterm Exam – October 22, 2020

*General instructions.*

- This exam has 4 problems, which are worth a total of 85 points. To earn maximum credit, you need to accumulate 65 points or more.
- All submitted answers must be **handwritten on paper** (any answer or part of an answer that fails this will receive 0 points with no exception).
- You may refer to your course notes, and any other files on the eClass page of the course.
- **No other internet resources are allowed.**
- **No collaboration is allowed.**
- You must show your work and justify your answers to receive full credit. A correct answer without any justification will receive little or no credit.

In your justifications, you may simply refer to, and rely on, any results/properties that we discussed in class or that appear in the notes or in the first 2 homework assignments (and the files with suggested solutions to them), **except of course if a problem specifically asks you to explain why such a result holds.**

- The exam formally starts at 9:30am and finishes at 10:40am.  
You have until 11am to make sure your answers are submitted correctly to Assign2.  
**The latter is a strict deadline.**

**Problem 1** (*max. 20 = 10 + 10 points*) (a) Consider the following incidence matrix of a graph  $G$ :

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{matrix} & e_1 & e_2 & e_3 & e_4 & e_5 & e_6 & e_7 & e_8 & e_9 & e_{10} \\ \begin{matrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \\ v_5 \\ v_6 \\ v_7 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \end{array}.$$

Find (in any way you want) the degree sequence of the complement  $\overline{G}$  of  $G$  (*given according to a labelling/ordering of its vertices of your choice*). Justify your answer.

(b) Consider the following adjacency matrix of a graph  $H$ :

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{matrix} & u_1 & u_2 & u_3 & u_4 & u_5 & u_6 \\ \begin{matrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \end{array}.$$

Find (in any way you want) the degree sequence of the line graph  $L(H)$  of  $H$  (*given according to a labelling/ordering of its vertices of your choice*). Justify your answer.

**Problem 2** (*max. 20 = 10 + 10 points*) (a) Consider the following 3 graphs:

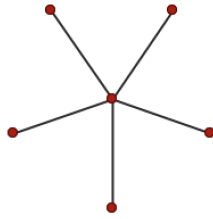


Figure 1: Graph  $G_1$

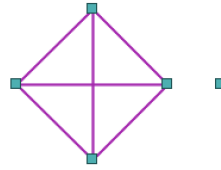


Figure 2: Graph  $G_2$

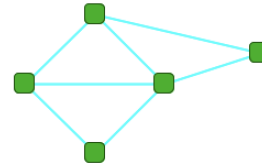


Figure 3: Graph  $G_3$

Exactly two of them are line graphs of some other graphs, while the remaining one is not the line graph of any graph.

Determine which two are line graphs (*you can either pick the two correct ones and explain why there are graphs  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  such that the two graphs you picked are  $L(H_1)$  and  $L(H_2)$  respectively, or alternatively you can try to find which one graph cannot be written as a line graph and justify this*).

(b) Decide whether the graphs  $G_4$  and  $G_5$  below are isomorphic. If they are, give an explicit isomorphism. If they are not, explain why not.

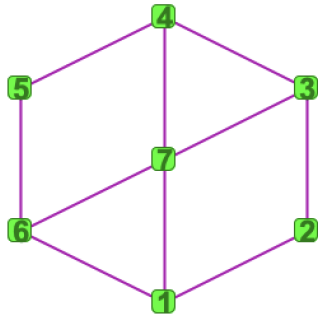


Figure 4: Graph  $G_4$

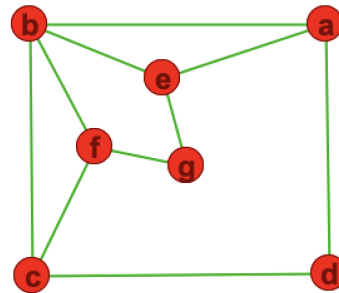


Figure 5: Graph  $G_5$

**Problem 3** (*max. 20 = 7 + 7 + 6 points*) Consider the following connected graph:

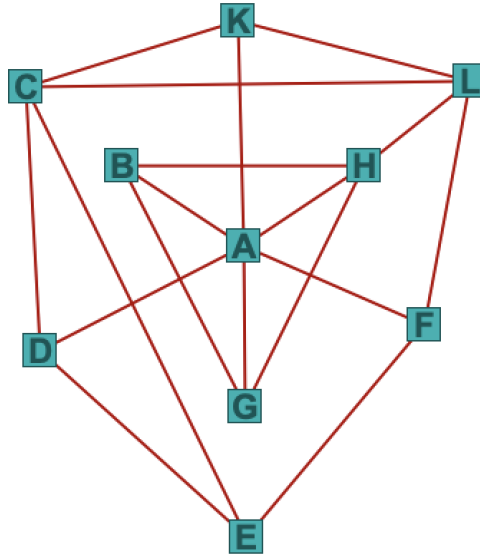


Figure 6: Graph  $G_0$

- (a) (*max. 7 points*) Show that  $\kappa(G_0) = 2$ . Give a full justification.
- (b) (*max. 7 points*) What is  $\lambda(G_0)$ ? Determine it precisely, and justify your answer fully.
- (c) (*max. 6 points*) Determine  $\kappa(C, F)$  precisely, and justify your answer fully.

**Problem 4** (*max. 25 = 10 + 15 points*) (a) Let  $G$  be a graph with vertex set  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ . We define the average degree of  $G$  as follows:

$$\text{avgdeg}(G) := \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{i=1}^n \deg(v_i) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \deg(v_i),$$

where  $|G|$  is the order of the graph  $G$ , that is, the cardinality  $|V|$  of the vertex set  $V$ .

Suppose now that  $T$  is a tree. Express the order of  $T$  as a function of the average degree of  $T$ .

(b) For each of the following sequences, determine whether it can be viewed as the degree sequence of a **disconnected** graph  $H$ .

$$\text{Seq}_1 = (4, 4, 4, 4, 4), \quad \text{Seq}_2 = (2, 2, 2, 2, 2),$$

$$\text{Seq}_3 = (5, 4, 4, 3, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2).$$

Justify your answers fully.