

Midterm 1- Standard 2

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1 Instructions

- The solutions **should be typed**, using proper mathematical notation. We cannot accept hand-written solutions. Here's a short intro to \LaTeX .
- You should submit your work through the **class Canvas page** only. Please submit one PDF file, compiled using this \LaTeX template.
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Problem 1.

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- I have neither copied nor provided others solutions they can copy.

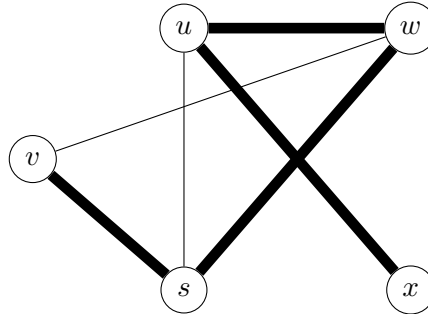
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3 Standard 2- BFS and DFS

3.1 Problem 2

Problem 2. Consider the undirected, unweighted graph $G = (V, E)$ with $V = \{s, u, v, w, x\}$ and $E = \{su, sv, sw, uw, ux, vw\}$, and let $T \subseteq E$ be $T = \{sv, sw, uw, ux\}$. This is pictured below with T represented by wide edges.



Carefully explain why T cannot be output by BFS with start vertex s for any choices of iteration order over neighborhoods in the algorithm.

Answer.

T cannot be output because when traversing with BFS from s , either v or w will be selected. This is initially fine because $\{s, v\}$ and $\{s, w\}$ are both edges in T . But after adding v and w to the queue, it'll pop either v or w . Say it pops v first, v 's only unvisited neighbor is w , but $\{v, w\}$ is not a valid edge in T . The other scenario where BFS fails is if it pops w first. w has unvisited neighbors v and u and if it tries to traverse to v , it won't be a valid vertex in T . This is why T cannot be output by BFS with start vertex s for any choices of iteration order over neighborhoods in the algorithm. \square