

1.4.18. (*) Prove that a digraph having no cycle has a unique kernel.

1.4.23. Prove that every graph G has an orientation D that is “balanced” at each vertex, meaning that $|d_D^+(v) - d_D^-(v)| \leq 1$ for every $v \in V(G)$.

2.1.18. (!) Prove that every tree with maximum degree $\Delta > 1$ has at least Δ vertices of degree 1. Show that this is best possible by constructing an n -vertex tree with exactly Δ leaves, for each choice of n, Δ with $n > \Delta \geq 2$.

1.4.14. (!) Let G be an n -vertex digraph with no cycles. Prove that the vertices of G can be ordered as v_1, \dots, v_n so that if $v_i v_j \in E(G)$, then $i < j$.

1.4.10. (!) Prove that a digraph is strongly connected if and only if for each partition of the vertex set into nonempty sets S and T , there is an edge from S to T .

1.4.11. (!) Prove that in every digraph, some strong component has no entering edges, and some strong component has no exiting edges.

1.4.12. Prove that in a digraph the connection relation is an equivalence relation, and its equivalence classes are the vertex sets of the strong components.

1.4.17. (*) Prove that a (directed) odd cycle is a digraph with no kernel. Construct a digraph that has an odd cycle as an induced subgraph but does have a kernel.

1.4.33. (*) Let A and B be two m by n matrices with entries in $\{0, 1\}$. An *exchange* operation substitutes a submatrix of the form $\begin{pmatrix} 01 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$ for a submatrix of the form $\begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 01 \end{pmatrix}$ or vice versa. Prove that if A and B have the same list of row sums and have the same list of column sums, then A can be transformed into B by a sequence of exchange operations. Interpret this conclusion in the context of bipartite graphs. (Ryser [1957])