# CSCI 4408/5408, Professor E. Gethner Assignment 2 30 January 2018 Quiz 2 is on Tuesday 13 February 2018

Please feel free to collaborate with one another on this assignment. As practice for writing the quiz, write up the solutions on your own. IMPORTANT: Be neat, write complete sentences, and SHOW ALL OF YOUR WORK. The way you communicate the solution to your answer is as important as the answer itself. Good luck! [Unless explicitly stated otherwise, you may assume that the graphs in each problem are finite and undirected.]

# 1. (Degree Sequences)

- (a) In class we showed that the degree sequence  $\mathbf{d} = (6, 5, 5, 4, 3, 3, 2, 2, 2)$  was graphic by using the Havel-Hakimi algorithm to reduce  $\mathbf{d}$  to (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1). The latter sequence is graphic by way of the graph G consisting of three vertex-disjoint edges (see class notes). Use the method given in the proof of correctness of the Havel-Hakimi algorithm to modify G to attain a graph G' with degree sequence  $\mathbf{d}$ . Although homework is not handed in, for practice, you may want to display G, all of the intermediate graphs, and the final graph G' using Mathematica. Be sure to explain your solution in detail.
- (b) Prove or disprove: the following sequence is graphic.  $\mathbf{d}=(4,3,2,2,2,1,1,1,0)$ . If the sequence is graphic, then follow the procedure in part (a) and, for practice, show all steps of your construction with Mathematica output. Be sure to explain your solution in detail.

#### 2. (More About Degree Sequences)

- (a) Prove that for every integer x with  $0 \le x \le 5$ , the sequence consisting of  $\{1,2,3,5,5,x\}$  is not graphic. It is your job to put each particular value of x in the correct position in the sequence.
- (b) If the sequence consisting of  $\{x, 7, 7, 5, 5, 4, 3, 2\}$  is graphic, then what are all possible values for x? You may assume that  $0 \le x \le 7$ . It is your job to put each particular value of x in the correct position in the sequence.

## 3. (Self-Complementary Graphs)

**Definition 1** Let G be a finite simple graph with |V(G)| = n. Then the complement of G, written  $\overline{G}$ , is given by the graph with the same vertex set as G, but  $uv \in E(G)$  if and only if  $uv \notin E(\overline{G})$ .

Hint: think of removing the edges of G from  $K_n$  to get  $\overline{G}$ .

**Definition 2** A graph G is said to be self-complementary if  $G \approx \overline{G}$ . (That is, to be self-complementary, G must be isomorphic to its complement).

- (a) Find a graph on four vertices that is self-complementary.
- (b) Find a graph on four vertices that is not self-complementary.
- (c) Find a graph on five vertices that is self-complementary.
- (d) Find a graph on five vertices that is not self-complementary.

Explain your work in detail, and use *Mathematica* to display your output.

## 4. (Using the Adjacency Matrix to Determine Connectivity)

In class we will prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 1** Let G be a finite simple graph with n vertices labeled by  $v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_n$ . Let A denote the adjacency matrix of G with respect to the given labeling of vertices. Let  $B=(b_{ij})$  be given by the matrix

$$B = A + A^2 + \dots + A^{n-1}. (1)$$

Then G is connected if and only if for every  $i \neq j$ , we have  $b_{ij} \neq 0$ . That is, the matrix B must have non-zero entries off of the main diagonal.

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to take the adjacency matrix A of a mysterious graph G

$$A = \left(\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right)$$

and use Mathematica to find the smallest positive integer k for which  $A + A^2 + \cdots + A^k$  shows that G is connected by way of Theorem ??, or else prove that no such k exists. [The following is an example of how to multiply two  $3 \times 3$  matrices in Mathematica:

- $A = \{\{1, 2, 3\}, \{4, 5, 6\}, \{7, 8, 9\}\}\$ and  $B = \{\{1, 0, 0\}, \{0, 1, 0\}, \{0, 0, 1\}\}\$
- If you want to see A and/or B listed in rows, then after defining them as above, then type A//TableForm and/or B//TableForm in a new cell and evaluate the cell.
- To multiply A by B (left-to-right) in a new cell type A.B or A.B//TableForm and evaluate.

Notice that you should **not** use the \* to do matrix multiplication—it won't work!!!]

For more documentation on how to do matrix multiplication using  ${\it Mathematica}$  go to

http://reference.wolfram.com/mathematica/tutorial/MultiplyingVectorsAndMatrices.html