Combinatorial Algorithms

Winter 2023

Assignment 2

Due February 12, 2023, 11:55 PM

- 1. Given the following graphs:
 - The fork graph $F_{n,k}$, the graph containing a path with n-k vertices, where one of the leaves of the path is the center of a star graph with k leaves.
 - The complete bipartite graph $K_{m,n}$ on m+n vertices.
 - The *n*-vertex wheel W_n .
 - The hypercube Q_n .
 - The Spider graph: k paths of lengths $p_1 \geq p_2 \geq ... \geq p_k$ originated from a single vertex.
 - Two dimensional grid and torus (m by n).
 - a) Give the broadcast time for each of the graphs above. Prove your answers.
 - b) For each graph indicate the set of the worst originators (vertices for which the broadcast time of the graph is achieved). Describe the broadcast center of each graph.
- 2. Find the broadcast time of the dipper graph $D_{n,m}$, the graph that has n vertices and $\frac{m(m-1)}{2} + n m$ edges containing a complete graph K_m and a path of length n m originated from a vertex of K_m . Indicate the worst originator(s). Also indicate the values of m (as a function of n) that maximizes and minimizes $b(D_{n,m})$ (as a function of n).