

CSCI3160 Design and Analysis of Algorithms (2025 Fall)

Quiz 3

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Exam Questions:

1. (30 points) Question statement hidden.

Solution:

- (a) $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$.
- (b) No. The minimum vertex cover contains 4 vertices only. E.g., $\{2, 3, 4, 6\}$ or $\{2, 3, 5, 6\}$.
- (c) Yes. Optimal solution could be achieved if it picks (2, 3) and then (4, 6)

2. (25 points) Question statement hidden.

Solution:

Suppose that $c(u, v) < 0$ and w is any other vertex in the graph. Then, to have the triangle inequality satisfied, we need

$$c(w, u) \leq c(w, v) + c(u, v).$$

Now though, subtract $c(u, v)$ from both sides, we get

$$c(w, v) \geq c(w, u) - c(u, v) > c(w, u) + c(u, v)$$

so, it is impossible to have

$$c(w, v) \leq c(w, u) + c(u, v)$$

as the triangle inequality would require.

3. (20 points) Question statement hidden.

Solution: $\{6, 7, 8\}, \{3, 4, 5\}.$
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4. (25 points) Question statement hidden.

Solution:

- (a) Assign random values to each variable independently.
- (b) A single-variable, single-clause instance $S = \{(x_1 \vee x_1 \vee x_1 \vee x_1)\}$. The random-assignment algorithm can only achieve an approximation ratio of $\rho = \frac{1}{2}$.