

MCS 401: Computer Algorithms I (Fall 2020)

Homework 2

Due at 2:00pm CDT, Monday, Sep 28

1. (2 points) Consider the following (undirected unweighted) graph $G = (V, E)$ given in the adjacency list representation:

$$\text{Adj}[1] = [2, 5]$$

$$\text{Adj}[2] = [1, 3]$$

$$\text{Adj}[3] = [2, 4]$$

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- (a) Draw the graph G . Give the adjacency matrix representation of G .
- (b) Draw the BFS tree and DFS tree for G , starting at node 1. (Assume that when exploring a node, the algorithm iterates over its neighbors from smaller index to larger index.)
2. Let $G = (V, E)$ be a connected (undirected) graph. Fix a vertex $s \in V$. Suppose we run BFS and DFS on G starting at node s . Let T_B and T_D denote the resulting BFS tree and DFS tree respectively. Prove that if $T_B = T_D$, then G must be a tree.
(Hint: What happens if G has a cycle?)
3. (2 points) Prove that for every n -node tree T , there exists a node u such that each connected component of $T - u$ (removing u and all its edges in T) has at most $n/2$ nodes.
(You may want to use the sizes of subtrees in your proof. In a tree T , a *subtree* rooted at x consists of x and all of its descendants. Hint: If we remove a node $u \in T$, what is the size of each connected component in the remaining graph?)
4. Consider the following directed (acyclic) graph. How many topological orderings does it have?

