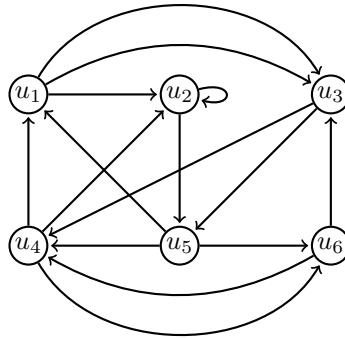


MMAT5380 Graph Theory and Networks
Suggested Solution for Assignment 2

2-1:

$$A = \begin{array}{c|cccccc|c} & u_1 & u_2 & u_3 & u_4 & u_5 & u_6 & \text{sum} = \text{deg}^+ \\ \hline u_1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ u_2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ u_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ u_4 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ u_5 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ u_6 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ \hline \text{sum} = \text{deg}^- & 2 & 3 & 3 & 3 & 2 & 2 & \end{array}$$


2-2: (a) $e(v_1) = 3, e(v_2) = 3, e(v_3) = 2, e(v_4) = 2, e(v_5) = 2, e(v_6) = 2, e(v_7) = 3$.

(b) v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6 are centers.

(c) The radius is 2 and the diameter is 3.

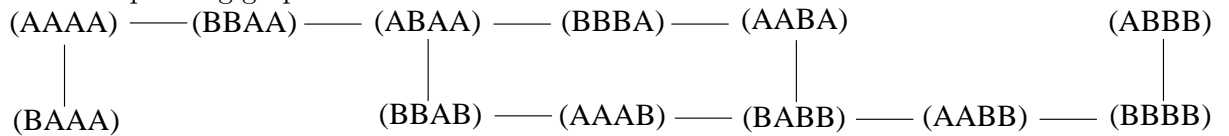
(d) $v_1v_3v_4v_2v_5v_6v_7$ is a longest path (or $v_2v_4v_3v_1v_5v_6v_7, v_4v_3v_1v_2v_5v_6v_7$).

2-3: (a) Choose five (a, f) -walks from $ababf, abadf, abcbf, abebf, abedf, abfbf, abfdf, adabf, adadf, adebf, adedf, adfbf, adfdf, aeabf, aeadf$ and $aecbf$.

(b) There are $abceadf, aebcedf, aecbadf$ and $aecbedf$.

(c) There are $abcedf$ and $adecbf$.

2-4: The corresponding graph is



There are two shortest ways for the man to cross the river. They are

$(AAAA)\text{--}(BBAA)\text{--}(ABAA)\text{--}(BBBA)\text{--}(AABA)\text{--}(BABB)\text{--}(AABB)\text{--}(BBBB)$ and

$(AAAA)\text{--}(BBAA)\text{--}(ABAA)\text{--}(BBAB)\text{--}(AAAB)\text{--}(BABB)\text{--}(AABB)\text{--}(BBBB)$.

Note that $(ABBA), (BAAB), (ABAB)$ and $(BABA)$ are not allowable.

2-5: Obviously, statements (a), (b) and (c) are true by the definition of distance. For (d), let P_1 be the path from u to v with length $d(u, v)$ and P_2 be the path from v to w of length $d(v, w)$. Then P_1P_2 is a (u, w) -walk with length $d(u, v) + d(v, w)$. By Lemma 2.1.3, there is a (u, w) -path P in P_1P_2 . By the definition of distance, $d(u, w)$ is the least length of paths from u to w . Thus $d(u, v) + d(v, w) \geq d(u, w)$.

2-6: Let $P = u_0u_1 \cdots u_k$ be a longest path of G . Since P is a longest path, all neighbors of u_0 lie in P . Since $\delta \geq 2$, there is another edge incident with u_0 but it is not in P , say u_0u_l , where $l \geq 0$. Hence $u_0 \cdots u_lu_0$ is a cycle.

Note that l can be 0. For this case, there is a loop incident with u_0 .

2-7: We know that $2q = \sum_{v \in V(G)} \deg(v) \geq p\delta$ which implies that $\delta \leq \frac{2q}{p}$. By Theorem 2.4.6, $\kappa(G) \leq \delta(G)$ we have $\kappa(G) \leq \frac{2q}{p}$. Note that $\kappa(G)$ is an integer. Therefore $\kappa(G) \leq \lfloor \frac{2q}{p} \rfloor$.