Road network between cities



Friendship on facebook



Ticket to Ride (board game)



Metro map of Montréal



Road network between cities



fastest route from Calgary to Québec

Friendship on facebook



everyone \leftrightarrow everyone in dist. 6

Ticket to Ride (board game)



build quickly tracks between places

Metro map of Montréal



visit all stops in shortest time

MATH 350: Graph theory and Combinatorics

Time:Monday and Wednesday 2:35-3:55 PMLocation:Burnside Hall 1B36

Pre-requisites

- MATH 235 (Algebra 1) or MATH 240 (Discrete structures 1)
- MATH 251 (Honours Algebra 2) or MATH 223 (Linear Algebra)
- Not open to who have taken/taking MATH 343 or MATH 340

Assignments

- Five assignments in total
- Count for 20% of your final grade

Midterm & Final exams

- Midterm 20% + Final 60% of your final grade
- Final 80% of your final grade (if better)
- Exams are open-book

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(... arrived to Canada from Europe < 48 hours ago ...)

Questions?

Let's start...

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$$G := (V, E)$$

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$$V$$
 – (finite) set of Vertices
 $E \subseteq \binom{V}{2}$ – set of Edges

 $U = \{a, b, c\}$ $E = \{\{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{c, a\}\}$







 $V = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\} \\ \{\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \{3, 4\}, \{4, 5\}, \{5, 1\} \}$





$$b \leftarrow c$$

$$V = \{a, b, c\}$$

$$E = \{\{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{c, a\}\}$$



Alice

graph
$$G := (V, E)$$

$$\frac{V}{E} - \text{(finite) set of Vertices}$$
$$E \subseteq \binom{V}{2} - \text{set of Edges}$$

Connect houses with electric wires / optical cables



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(1st algorithm by Otakar Borůvka in 1926 for electricity in Moravia)

Queen of College tours – shortest roadtrip for 647 colleges



(tour found in 2015 by William Cook from University of Waterloo)

Seven bridges of Königsberg puzzle - cross each just once?



(solved by Euler in 1736)

Disconnect railway between Soviet Union and East Europe



(from 1955 secret report by Harris and Ross)















Coloring of graphs – is every political map 4-colorable?



(Appel-Haken: resolved after > 100 years, proof needs computer)

Ramsey Theory – complete disorder is impossible!



(1950's in Hungary, sociologist Sandor Szalai observed: among \sim 20 children – always 4 s.t. all friends / no friendship...)

Questions?