

Math 451 - Spring 2018

Homework 6

Due March 29nd, 2018

A good stock of examples, as large as possible, is indispensable for a thorough understanding of any concept, and when I want to learn something new, I make it my first job to build one.

— Paul Halmos

Turn in:

(1) Give an example of a connected graph G with vertex v for each of the following:

- (a) v is on a cycle and v is a cut-vertex.
- (b) v is on a cycle and v is *not* a cut-vertex.
- (c) v is *not* on a cycle and v is a cut-vertex.
- (d) v is *not* on a cycle and v is *not* a cut-vertex.

Conclude that there is no relationship between the idea of cut-vertices and cycles.

- (2) Draw a graph G with $\kappa(G) = 2$, $\lambda(G) = 4$. Indicate the minimum vertex cut and minimum edge cut.
- (3) Prove that a 3-regular graph has a cut vertex if and only if it has a bridge.
- (4) Prove that if G is a graph of order $n \geq 3$ such that for every pair of non-adjacent vertices x, y we have $\deg x + \deg y \geq n$, then show G is nonseparable.
- (5) A **chorded cycle**, in a graph, is a cycle C with an edge that joins two *nonconsecutive* vertices on C . Prove that every graph with $\kappa(G) \geq 3$ contains a chorded cycle.