## Math776: Graph Theory (I) Fall, 2017 Homework 4, due Wednesday, Nov. 8

Select any 5 problems to solve. The total score of this homework is 10 points. You get a bonus point if you solve all 6 problems correctly.

- 1. [page 83, #4] Let X and X' be minimal separators in G such that X meets at least two components of G X'. Show that X' meets at least two components of G X, and X meets all the components of G X'.
- **2.** [page 83, #10 ] Let e be an edge in a 3-connected graph  $G \neq K_4$ . Show that either  $G \doteq e$  or G/e is again 3-connected.
- **3.** [page 84, #18 ] Let  $k \ge 2$ . Show that every k-connected graph of order at least 2k contains a cycle of length at least 2k.
- 4. [page 84, #19] Let  $k \ge 2$ . Show that in a k-connected graph any k vertices lie on a common cycle.
- 5. [page 84, #24 ] Derive Tutte's 1-factor theorem from Mader's theorem.
- 6. [page 84, #26] For every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  find an l = l(k), as large as possible, such that not every *l*-connected graph is *k*-linked.