# Math776: Graph Theory (I) <br> Fall, 2017 <br> 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 $X^{\prime}$ be minimal separators in $G$ such that $X$ meets at least two components of $G-X^{\prime}$. Show that $X^{\prime}$ meets at least two components of $G-X$, and $X$ meets all the components of $G-X^{\prime}$.
2. [page 83, $\# \mathbf{1 0}$ ] 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 $\mathbf{8 4}, \mathbf{\# 1 8}]$ Let $k \geq 2$. Show that every $k$-connected graph of order at least $2 k$ contains a cycle of length at least $2 k$.
4. [page $84, \# 19]$ Let $k \geq 2$. 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 $\mathbf{8 4}, \# \mathbf{2 6}]$ 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.
