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A note on quasi-robust cycle bases

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Abstract

We investigate here some aspects of cycle bases of undirected graphs that allow the iterative construction of all elementary cycles. We introduce the concept of quasi-robust bases as a generalization of the notion of robust bases and demonstrate that a certain class of bases of the complete bipartite graphs $K_{m,n}$ with $m, n \geq 5$ is quasi-robust but not robust. We furthermore disprove a conjecture for cycle bases of Cartesian product graphs.

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Kvazi-robustne baze ciklov

Povzetek

Raziščemo nekaj lastnosti baz ciklov neusmerjenih grafov, ki dopuščajo iterativno konstrukcijo vseh elementarnih ciklov. Vpeljemo koncept *kvazi-robustnih baz* kot posplošitev pojma robustnih baz in pokažemo, da so baze polnih dvodelnih grafov $K_{m,n}$ za $m, n \geq 5$ kvazi-robustne, ne pa tudi robustne. Nadalje ovržemo neko domnevo o bazah ciklov kartezičnega produkta grafov.

Ključne besede: Prostor ciklov, baza ciklov, robustna, kvazi-robustna, Kainenova baza, elementarni cikel, poln dvodelen, kartezični produkt.