

Department of Mathematics and Statistics

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4:00 – 5:00 pm, Adel Mathematics Bldg., Room 164 (refreshments at 3:45)

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Sabbatical Report

Abstract: Given a distribution of pebbles on the vertices of a connected graph, a pebbling move removes two pebbles at a vertex and places one pebble at an adjacent vertex. One pebble is the cost of transportation. A vertex is \$t\$-reachable if \$t\$ pebbles can be moved to the vertex using pebbling moves. The \$t\$-pebbling number of a graph is the minimum number of pebbles that ensures that any vertex is \$t\$-reachable from any initial distribution of the pebbles. We determine the \$t\$-pebbling number of the complete graph with a missing edge.