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- You may not use a calculator on this exam.
- No additional materials are permitted.
- Even if you cannot solve a problem, write down your ideas.
- Each question is worth 10 points.
- All graphs are simple, and have at least one vertex.
- $\chi(G)$ stands for the chromatic number and $R(s, t)$ stands for the Ramsey number.

Time : 08.15 – 11.15

Carefully read the small print at the bottom of the page. The problems are in no particular order.

1. Prove that if G is a connected planar graph on n vertices that has finite girth g , then it has at most $\frac{g}{g-2}(n-2)$ edges.
2. Show that in any tree containing an even number of edges, there is at least one vertex with even degree.
3. Prove that a K_3 -free graph on n vertices contains at most $\lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \rfloor$ edges.
4. Let G be a connected graph with maximum degree Δ , such that $\chi(G) = \Delta + 1$. Prove that G is Δ -regular.
5. (a) **[7 points]** Show that if for some real number $0 \leq p \leq 1$ we have $\binom{n}{s}p^{\binom{s}{2}} + \binom{n}{t}(1-p)^{\binom{t}{2}} < 1$, then $R(s, t) > n$.
(b) **[3 points]** Deduce that there is a positive constant c such that $R(4, t) \geq c \cdot \frac{t^{3/2}}{\log^{3/2} t}$ for every integer $t \geq 2$.
6. Prove that a connected graph has an Eulerian tour if and only if each vertex has even degree.
7. Let A be an $n \times m$ matrix of non-negative real numbers such that the sum of the entries is an integer in every row and in every column. Prove that there is an $n \times m$ matrix B of non-negative integers such that in every row and in every column, the sum of the entries in B is the same as in A .
8. Describe an efficient algorithm for finding a minimum-weight spanning tree in a connected weighted undirected graph, and prove that it indeed returns such a tree.
9. Let G be a k -connected graph with at least $2k$ vertices for some $k \geq 2$.
 - (a) **[5 points]** Prove that G contains a cycle of length at least k .
 - (b) **[5 points]** Prove that G contains a cycle of length at least $2k$.

You may not use any results from the lecture notes or problem sets, with the following exceptions. When you use a result, it should be clearly indicated.

- 1: You may use any fact from the lecture notes.
- 2: You may use any fact from the lecture notes or problem sets.
- 4: You may use any fact from the lecture notes or problem sets.
- 5: You may use the facts $1 - x \leq e^{-x}$ for $x > 0$, and $\binom{a}{b} \leq \frac{a^b}{2}$ for $a > b > 1$ integers.
- 7: You may use any fact from the lecture notes.
- 9: You may use any fact from the lecture notes or problem sets.