

## Midterm

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- This quiz is **closed book**, but you may have one  $8.5 \times 11$ " sheet with notes in your own handwriting on both sides.
- Calculators are not allowed.
- You may assume all of the results presented in class.
- Please show your work. Partial credit cannot be given for a wrong answer if your work isn't shown.
- Write your solutions in the space provided. If you need more space, write on the back of the sheet containing the problem. Please keep your entire answer to a problem on that problem's page.
- Be neat and write legibly. You will be graded not only on the correctness of your answers, but also on the clarity with which you express them.
- If you get stuck on a problem, move on to others. The problems are not arranged in order of difficulty.
- The exam ends at 9:30 PM.

Problem	Points	Grade	Grader
1	10		
2	15		
3	20		
4	10		
5	15		
6	10		
7	20		
Total	100		



**Problem 2. [20 points]**

Let  $G_0 = 1$ ,  $G_1 = 2$ ,  $G_2 = 4$ , and define

$$G_n = G_{n-1} + 2G_{n-2} + G_{n-3} \quad (1)$$

for  $n \geq 3$ . Show by induction that  $G_n \leq 3^n$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .

**Problem 3. [0 points]**

In the game of Squares and Circles, the players (you and your computer) start with a sequence of shapes: some circles and some squares. On each move a player selects two shapes. These two are replaced with a single one according to the following rule:

Identical shapes are replaced with a square. Different shapes are replaced with a circle.

At the end of the game, when only one shape remains, you are a winner if the remaining shape is a circle. Otherwise, your computer wins.

- (a) [0 pts] Prove that the game will end.
- (b) [0 pts] Prove that you will win if the number of circles initially is odd. Hint: Use an invariant about the number of circles.

**Problem 4. [15 points]**

- (a) [8 pts] Find a number  $x \in \{0, 1, \dots, 112\}$  such that  $18x \equiv 1 \pmod{113}$ .
- (b) [7 pts] Find a number  $y \in \{0, 1, \dots, 112\}$  such that  $18^{112111} \equiv y \pmod{113}$  (*Hint: What power of 18 is  $x$  equivalent to modulo 113?*)

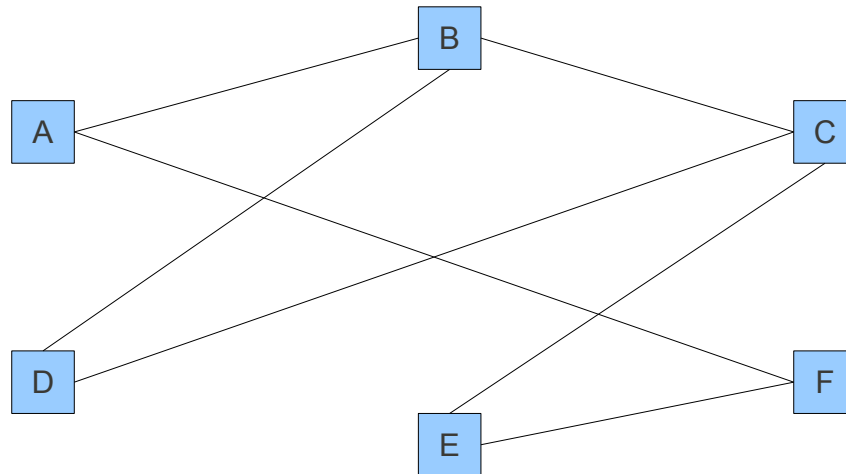
**Problem 5. [10 points]** Define a number  $S_p = 1^p + 2^p + 3^p + \dots + (p-1)^p$ . You will show in this problem that if  $p$  is an odd prime, then  $p \mid S_p$ .

- (a) [5 pts] Use Fermat's Theorem to show that  $S_p \equiv 1 + 2 + \dots + (p-1) \pmod{p}$ .
- (b) [5 pts] Show that  $p \mid (1 + 2 + \dots + (p-1))$  and explain why this implies that  $p$  divides  $S_p$ .

**Problem 6. [[ points] 20]**

Consider the simple graph  $G$  given in figure X.

Figure 1: Simple graph  $G$

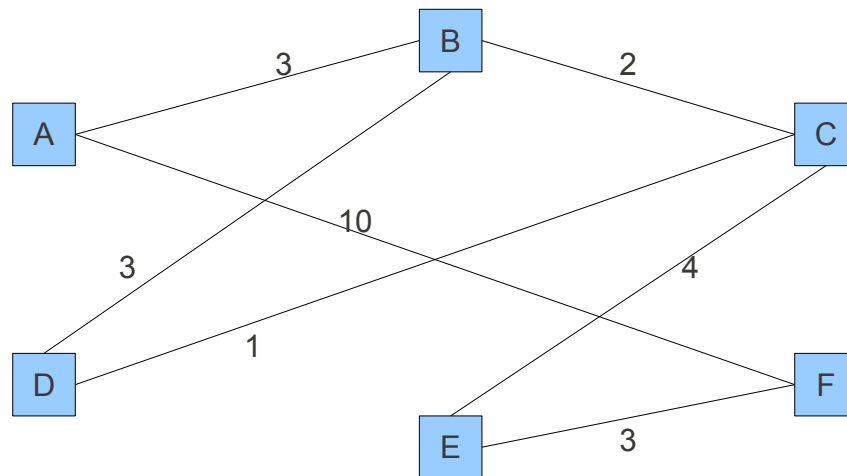


- (a) [0 pts] Give the diameter of  $G$ .
- (b) [0 pts] Give a longest path on  $G$ .
- (c) [0 pts] Give a coloring on  $G$  and show that it uses the smallest possible number of colors.
- (d) [0 pts] Does  $G$  have an Eulerian cycle? Justify your answer.

Now consider graph  $H$ , which is like  $G$  but with weighted edges, in figure Y:

- (e) [0 pts] Draw a minimum spanning tree on  $H$ .
- (f) [0 pts] Give a list of edges reflecting the order in which a greedy algorithm would choose edges when finding an MST on  $H$ .

Figure 2: Weighted graph H



**Problem 7. [20 points]** Consider a strongly connected directed graph with  $\text{indegree}(v) = \text{outdegree}(v)$  for all  $v \in V$ . We will prove such a graph has a (directed) Eulerean tour, by considering its longest path.

[10 pts] Show the longest sequence of adjacent edges (walk or tour) where no edges are repeated is a tour.

[10 pts] Show no directed edge is left out of the longest possible walk or tour.



**Problem 8. [10 points]** Let  $G$  be a graph with  $n$  vertices,  $m$  edges and  $k$  components. Prove that  $G$  contains at least  $n + m - k = c$  cycles. (Hint: Prove this by induction on the number of edges,  $m$ )

**Problem 9. [20 points]** The 6.042 professors are planning to have a midterm exam and want the midterm grades to be recognized by the EECS department. This requires the completion of a number tasks, each of which takes one hour to complete. The prerequisites associated with these tasks are listed below.

ABBRV.	TASK	PREREQUISITES
S	Hold an ice cream study session	I
W	Write midterm questions	I (for the TAs)
G	Grade the midterms	H, W
H	Hold the midterm	W,R,S
I	Buy ice cream	
R	Release a sample midterm	

- (a) [4 pts] Draw the Hasse diagram for the tasks and their prerequisites.
- (b) [2 pts] Give one ordering of the tasks that will fulfill the department's prerequisites.
- (c) [2 pts] The professors have decided that since their TAs are quite smart and they have so many of them, they can get as many tasks done at a time as they wish. What is the minimum amount of time required for them to finish all the tasks? Give a sample scheduling, listing the tasks performed in each time slot.

Assume now that you are given a Hasse diagram with  $n$  vertices in which the longest antichain has length  $t$ . Without knowing anything else about the graph...

- (d) [4 pts] ...write a simple formula in  $n$  and  $t$  for the maximum possible length of the longest chain in such a graph.
- (e) [3 pts] ...write a simple formula in  $n$  and  $t$  for the minimum possible length of the longest chain in such a graph.

**Problem 10. [0 points]** Induction: Prove that a sum of consecutive odd numbers (beginning with 1); i.e.

$$\sum_{i=0}^n 2i + 1$$

with  $n \geq 1$ ; is a perfect square.

*Hint: prove something stronger*

**Problem 11. [10 points]** Use integration to find upper and lower bounds that differ by at 1 for the following sum.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^4}$$

**Problem 12. [G points]** Give a proof of the following propositions.

1.  $x$  is  $O(x \ln x)$
2.  $x / \ln x$  is  $o(x)$
3.  $x^{n+1}$  is  $\Omega(x^n)$
4.  $n!$  is  $\omega(n^n)$