

# Homework 6

**Problem 1.** *Prove that*

(a)  $\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \leq e$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .

(b)  $\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n+1} \geq e$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .

(c) Using (a) and (b), conclude that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = e$ .

*Solution.*

(a)  $\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \leq \left(e^{\frac{1}{n}}\right)^n = e$ .

(b)  $\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n+1} = \left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^{n+1} = \left(\frac{1}{\frac{n}{n+1}}\right)^{n+1} = \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{n+1}}\right)^{n+1} \geq \left(e^{\frac{1}{n+1}}\right)^{n+1} = e$ .

(c)  $\because \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n+1}} = 1 \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n+1}$ .

While  $e \stackrel{(b)}{\leq} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) \stackrel{(a)}{\leq} e \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = e$ .

□

**Problem 2.** *Prove Bernoulli's inequality: for each natural number  $n$  and for every real  $x \geq -1$ , we have  $(1 + x)^n \geq 1 + nx$ .*

*Solution.* Apply binomial theorem to the left.

□

**Problem 3.** *Which of the following statements about graph  $G$  and  $H$  are true?*

1.  $G$  and  $H$  are isomorphic if and only if for every map  $f : V(G) \rightarrow V(H)$  and for any two vertices  $u, v \in V(G)$ , we have  $\{u, v\} \in E(G) \Leftrightarrow \{f(u), f(v)\} \in E(H)$ .
2.  $G$  and  $H$  are isomorphic if and only if there exists a bijection  $f : E(G) \rightarrow E(H)$ .
3. If there exists a bijection  $f : V(G) \rightarrow V(H)$  such that every vertex  $u \in V(G)$  has the same degree as  $f(u)$ , then  $G$  and  $H$  are isomorphic.

4. If  $G$  and  $H$  are isomorphic, then there exists a bijection  $f : V(G) \rightarrow V(H)$  such that every vertex  $u \in V(G)$  has the same degree as  $f(u)$ .
5. If  $G$  and  $H$  are isomorphic, then there exists a bijection  $f : E(G) \rightarrow E(H)$ .
6.  $G$  and  $H$  are isomorphic if and only if there exists a map  $f : V(G) \rightarrow V(H)$  such that for any two vertices  $u, v \in V(G)$ , we have  $\{u, v\} \in E(G) \Leftrightarrow \{f(u), f(v)\} \in E(H)$ .
7. Every graph on  $n$  vertices is isomorphic to some graph on the vertex set  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .
8. Every graph on  $n \geq 1$  vertices is isomorphic to infinitely many graphs.

*Solution.* 4,5,7,8. □

**Problem 4.** How many graphs on the vertex set  $\{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$  are isomorphic to the graph consisting of  $n$  vertex-disjoint edges (i.e. with edge set  $\{\{1,2\}, \{3,4\}, \dots, \{2n-1, 2n\}\}$ )?

*Solution.*  $\frac{(2n \cdot (2n-1))((2n-2) \cdot (2n-3)) \cdots (2 \cdot 1)}{2^n \cdot n!} = (2n-1)(2n-3) \cdots 5 \cdot 3$ . □

**Problem 5.** Construct an example of a sequence of length  $n$  in which each term is some of the numbers  $1, 2, \dots, n-1$  and which has an even number of odd terms, and yet the sequence is not a graph score. Show why it is not a graph score.

*Solution.* E.g.  $(1, 1, 3, 3, 4)$ . Use the *Score theorem* to prove that it cannot be a graph score. □

**Problem 6.** Let  $G$  be a graph with 9 vertices, each of degree 5 or 6. Prove that it has at least 5 vertices of degree 6 or at least 6 vertices of degree 5.

*Solution.*  $x$  be the number of vertex in  $G$  with  $\deg_G(x) = 6$ . Obviously  $x \geq 5$  or  $x \leq 4$ .

1. If  $x \geq 5$  then the first part of the argument is true.
2. Otherwise ( $x \leq 4$ ). As the other vertices in graph  $G$  are of degree 5, there are at least  $9 - x \geq 5$  such vertices. According to the hand-shake lemma, there must be even number of odd-degree vertices. Thus there should be at least 6 vertices with degree 5.

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