CS300 Homework #5

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• Write in English or Korean.

1. (30 points)

Let G = (V, E) be an undirected graph. Prove that if all its edge weights are distinct, then it has a unique minimum spanning tree.

2. (20 points)

Consider the assertion that an edge-weighted graph has a unique MST *only* if its edge weights are distinct. Give a proof or a counterexample.

3. (20 points)

Give a counterexample that shows why the following strategy does not necessarily find the MST: 'Start with any vertex as a single-vertex MST, then add V-1 edges to it, always taking next a min-weight edge incident to the vertex most recently added to the MST.'

4. $(3 \times 10 \text{ points} = 30 \text{ points})$

We use Huffman's algorithm to obtain an encoding of alphabet $\{a, b, c\}$ with frequencies f_a, f_b, f_c . In each of the following cases, either give an example of frequencies (f_a, f_b, f_c) that would yield the specified code, or explain why the code cannot possibly be obtained (no matter what the frequencies are).

- (a) Code: $\{0, 10, 11\}$
- (b) Code: $\{0, 1, 00\}$
- (c) Code: $\{10, 01, 00\}$