

# Combinatorics, 2018 Fall, USTC

## Homework6

- The due is on Thursday, Nov. 1 .
- Please sign your name and student number.
- Please solve as many problems as you can.

1. Let  $G$  be a group containing all rotations of a regular octahedron. (正八面体) Compute the cycle indices of  $G$  restricted on the vertices, and on the edges, and on the faces.

2. Show that

$$P_{S_n}(\sum_{i=1}^m y_i, \sum_{i=1}^m y_i^2, \dots, \sum_{i=1}^m y_i^n) = \sum_{k_1 + \dots + k_m = n} y_1^{k_1} \dots y_m^{k_m}.$$

3. Suppose we have a  $n$ -dimensional cube. Take all the vertices as the vertex set, and all the edges as the edge set, then we get a undirected graph  $K$ . Show that  $|Aut(K)| = 2^n \cdot n!$

4. Suppose we have a group action  $(G, X)$ ,  $|X| = n$ , with color set  $C = [m]$ . Denote  $b_t$  the number of orbits in  $C^X$  satisfying that  $\sum_{x \in X} f(x) = t$ . Show that

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_t x^t = P_G(\sum_{i=1}^m x^i, \sum_{i=1}^m x^{2i}, \dots, \sum_{i=1}^m x^{ni}).$$

5. Show that in a group of  $m$  girls and  $n$  boys, there exist some  $t$  girls for whom husbands can be found iff any subset of the girls (say  $k$  of them) between them know at least  $k + t - m$  of the boys.
  
6. Suppose  $x_1 \in S_1, \dots, x_m \in S_m$ , where  $x_1, \dots, x_m$  are not necessarily distinct. Then we say  $x_1, \dots, x_m$  is a system of representatives ( $SR$ ) of  $S_1, \dots, S_m$ . Show that  $S_1, \dots, S_m$  has an  $SR$  such that each element occurs at most  $r$  times iff for any  $I \subset [m]$ ,  $r|\cup_{i \in I} S_i| \geq |I|$ .