CSC 2410 Final Exam

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Write your solutions in the exam booklets provided. Put your name on every booklet.

Ask me if you don't understand a question.

You can use the West book. You can't use any other books or notes.

Unless stated otherwise, you can use as fact any theorem which I presented during the lectures. You can also use any theorems from the West book.

These problems all have reasonably short solutions. A solution that is too long might not get full marks, even if it is correct; for example, a proof with a very large number of cases. The grader will subjectively decide what constitutes "too long".

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1. (10 pts) G is not perfect, but every induced subgraph of G is perfect. (We call this a *minimal imperfect graph*.) Prove that no clique of G is a vertex cutset.

See Definition 8.1.1 on page 319. You may not use Theorem 8.1.29 or Corollary 8.1.30.

- 2. (10 pts) Prove that a planar embedded graph is bipartite iff every face is even.
- 3. (15 pts) You are given a sequence of integers $d_1 \ge d_2 \ge d_3 \ge ... \ge d_n$. Prove that there is a loopless multigraph (i.e. multiple edges are permitted but loops are not permitted) with degree sequence $d_1, ..., d_n$ iff both:
 - (i) $\sum_{i=1}^{n} d_i$ is even; and
 - (ii) $d_1 \le d_2 + d_3 + \ldots + d_n$.

This is Exercise 1.3.63. The hint on page 509 suggests an inductive proof, but there are other approaches.

- 4. (15 pts) G is a bipartite graph with bipartition (X, Y). Every vertex has degree at least 1. $d(x) \ge d(y)$ for every edge xy with $x \in X, y \in Y$. Prove that G has a matching that saturates X.
- 5. (20 pts) Prove that if G has girth at least 5 and is not a forest, then \overline{G} has a Hamilton cycle. This is Exercise 7.2.25. Hint: If \overline{G} does not satisfy Ore's condition, then what can you say about it?
- 6. (20 pts) Exercise 6.3.14 says:

(*) If G is an embedded planar graph and every face has size 3 then G is 3-colourable iff G is Eulerian.

You don't need to prove (*). You can use it for parts (a) and (b) below. Recall the characterization of *Eulerian graphs* from Theorem 1.2.26.

Prove each of the following statements:

- (a) If G is an Eulerian planar embedded graph with minimum degree > 2, the outer face has size 5 and every other face has size 3, then $\chi(G) = 3$.
- (b) There is no Eulerian planar embedded graph with minimum degree > 2 where one face has size 5 and every other face has size 3.