

## Math 301 Midterm Exam #2 Practice Problems

1. Your answer to the following questions can just be a number. If your number is naturally written as a product, using for instance factorials or binomial coefficients, please leave it that way!

You should explain your reasoning as best you can: Correct answers will receive full credit, but I can only award partial credit if you show your process.

**Practice note:** You should explain every part of your answer as best you can.

- (a) Find an integer  $x$  between 0 and 42 that satisfies  $4x \equiv 1 \pmod{43}$ .
  - (b) Find an integer  $x$  between 0 and 30 that satisfies  $7x \equiv 10 \pmod{31}$ .
  - (c) Find an integer  $x$  between 0 and 46 that satisfies  $8x \equiv 4 \pmod{47}$ .
  - (d) How many graphs have *exactly* 8 (labeled) vertices  $\{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h\}$ ?
  - (e) How many subgraphs of  $K_8$  (with vertices labeled  $\{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h\}$ ) have exactly 8 (labeled) vertices?
  - (f) How many walks of 5 steps are there in  $K_8$ ?
  - (g) How many *closed* walks of 5 steps are there in  $K_8$ ? Say that two closed walks are definitely different if they have the same start/end vertex.
  - (h) How many walks of 5 steps are there in  $C_8$ ?
  - (i) How many *closed* walks of 5 steps are there in  $C_8$ ? Say that two closed walks are definitely different if they have the same start/end vertex.
  - (j) How many *closed* walks of 6 steps are there in  $C_8$ ? Say that two closed walks are definitely different if they have the same start/end vertex.
  - (k) How many subgraphs does  $C_3$  have? Say the vertices are labeled  $\{a, b, c\}$ .
  - (l) How many subgraphs does  $P_3$  have? Say the vertices are labeled  $\{a, b, c, d\}$ .
2. Answer whether each statement is “True” or “False”. No justification is needed. No partial credit.

**Practice note:** You should try proving each statement and justifying your answer during practice, even though this type of question on an exam would not require it.

- (a) The complement of  $P_6$ , the path graph on 7 vertices, has an Eulerian walk.
- (b) The complement of  $C_6$ , the cycle graph on 6 vertices, has an Eulerian walk.
- (c) The complement of a disconnected graph of at least 4 vertices is always connected.
- (d) The complement of a connected graph of at least 4 vertices is always disconnected.
- (e) A graph with  $n$  vertices always has at least  $2^n$  subgraphs.
- (f) A graph with  $n$  edges always has at least  $2^n$  subgraphs.
- (g) For every pair of positive integers  $a, b$  there exist integers  $m, n$  such that  $1 = ma + nb$ .
- (h) For every pair of positive integers  $a, b$  there exist integers  $m, n$  such that  $\gcd(a, b) = ma + nb$ .

- (i) There exists a graph of 7 vertices of total vertex degree 44.
  - (j) For every positive integer  $m$  and integer  $1 \leq a < m$  there exists an integer  $x$  so that  $ax \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$ .
  - (k) There exists a graph of 7 vertices of degrees 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 7.
  - (l) There exists a graph of 7 vertices of degrees 2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 5, 7.
  - (m) There exists a connected graph of 7 vertices of degrees 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2.
  - (n)  $K_5$  contains a closed Eulerian walk.
  - (o)  $K_6$  contains a closed Eulerian walk.
  - (p) Every graph with all even vertex degrees has a Hamiltonian cycle.
  - (q) If  $a \nmid b$  and  $b \mid c$  then  $a \nmid c$ .
  - (r) If  $a \nmid b$  and  $b \nmid c$  then  $a \nmid c$ .
  - (s) If  $a \equiv b \pmod{c}$  and  $b \equiv c \pmod{a}$  then  $a \equiv c \pmod{b}$ .
  - (t) If  $a \equiv 0 \pmod{b}$  and  $b \equiv 0 \pmod{c}$  then  $a \equiv 0 \pmod{c}$ .
  - (u) There exists a graph of 7 vertices of degrees 2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 6.
  - (v) There exists a graph of 7 vertices of degrees 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 5, 6.
3. Use the fact that a cycle-free graph on  $n$  vertices has at most  $n - 1$  edges to prove that: If  $G$  is a connected graph with at least 5 vertices and no cycles, then its complement  $\bar{G}$  has at least one cycle.
4. (a) Draw a connected graph on 8 vertices for which removing any edge makes the graph disconnected.
- (b) Draw a connected graph on 8 vertices for which removing any edge leaves the graph connected.
- (c) Draw a connected graph on 8 vertices for which removing any *two* edges leaves the graph connected.
- (d) Draw a connected graph on 8 vertices that has no cycles and *is not the path graph*.