

## HW5 - Math 310 - Spring 2011

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- (1) Show that a graph with at least two vertices is bipartite if and only if it contains no odd-length cycles.
- (2) An edge is called a bridge if when removed, the number of components increases. Prove that an edge  $e$  is a bridge of  $G$  if and only if  $e$  lies on no cycle of  $G$ .
- (3) A directed acyclic graph (dag) is a simple directed graph with no cycles. Show that the maximum number of edges in an  $n$ -vertex dag is  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ .
- (4) A vertex  $v$  in a connected graph  $G$  is an articulation point if the removal of  $v$  and all edges incident to  $v$  disconnects  $G$ . Show that a vertex  $v$  in a connected graph  $G$  is an articulation point if and only if there are vertices  $w$  and  $x$  in  $G$  having the property that every path from  $w$  to  $x$  passes through  $v$ .
- (5) When does the complete graph  $K_n$  contain an Euler cycle? When does the complete bipartite graph  $K_{m,n}$  contain an Euler cycle?
- (6) Describe three sufficient properties of a connected graph such that the removal of any edge results in a graph that is not connected.
- (7) Can a knight move around a chessboard and return to its original position making every move exactly once? (A move is considered to be made when the move is made in either direction.)
- (8) Let  $v$  and  $w$  be distinct vertices in  $K_n$ . Let  $p_m$  denote the number of paths of length  $m$  from  $v$  to  $w$  in  $K_n$ ,  $1 \leq m \leq n$ . Derive a recurrence relation and find an explicit formula for  $p_m$ .
- (9) Let  $G$  be a graph where  $|V| = n$  and  $|E| < n - 1$ . Prove that  $G$  is not connected.