

Midterm Review

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1 Grammar

1.1

Consider the following grammar, with set of non-terminals $\{S, T, R, X\}$ and set of terminals $\{a, b, \epsilon\}$. S is the start symbol.

$$\begin{aligned}S &\rightarrow XSX \mid T \\T &\rightarrow aRb \mid bRa \\R &\rightarrow XR \mid \epsilon \\X &\rightarrow a \mid b\end{aligned}$$

This grammar enforces that any string generated has one of the following forms

$$\begin{aligned}X \dots XaX \dots XbX \dots X \\X \dots XbX \dots XaX \dots X\end{aligned}$$

where there are equal number of X s (possibly 0) on the “outside” and some arbitrary number of X s (possibly 0) in the middle. (Each X becomes a single character a or b .) This ensures that any string generated by this grammar is *not a palindrome*.

1.1.1

Draw parse trees for each of the following strings:

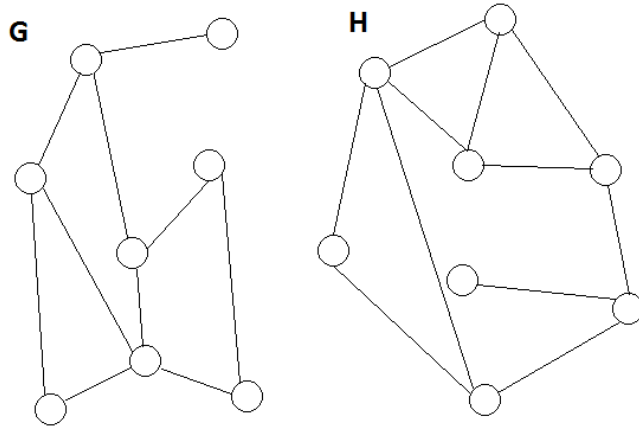
1. ab

2. abb

3. ababbba

2 Graphs

2.1



2.1.1

Are G and H connected?

2.1.2

What are the maximum degrees of G and H ?

2.1.3

What are the chromatic numbers of G and H ? Justify your answer.

2.1.4

Are G and H isomorphic? Justify your answer.

2.2

If G, H are graphs, here are their respective adjacency matrices:

$$A_G = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

2.2.1

Are G and H connected?

2.2.2

What are the maximum degrees of G and H ?

2.2.3

What are the chromatic numbers of the G and H ? Justify your answer.

2.2.4

Do G and H contain Eulerian circuits? Justify your answer.

2.2.5

Are G and H isomorphic? Justify your answer.

3 Induction

3.1

Let σ_n denote the sum of the digits of n . For example $\sigma_{37} = 10$, $\sigma_{543} = 12$. Prove that $n \equiv \sigma_n \pmod{9}$ using induction. (Hint: What happens if n has a 9 in the singles digit, and we increase n by 1?)

3.2

Let the function $f : N \rightarrow Z$ be defined by

$$f(0) = 1$$

$$f(1) = 6$$

$$\forall n \geq 2, f(n) = 6f(n-1) - 9f(n-2)$$

Use strong induction on n to prove that $\forall n \geq 0, f(n) = (1+n)3^n$

3.3

3.3.1

Prove that n^0 is $O(n^1)$.

3.3.2

Prove that n^z is $O(n^{z+1})$ for any $z \in \mathbb{N}$.

4 Recursion Trees

4.1

Find a closed form for

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + n + 1$$

$T(1) = 2$ when n is a power of 3.

4.2

Find a closed form for

$$T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 3$$

$$T(1) = 3$$

4.3

Find a closed form for

$$T(n) = T(\lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor) + n$$

$$T(1) = 2$$

when $n = 2^{(2^k)}$ for some non-negative integer k .

5 Big O

5.1

Order the following functions in increasing (in terms of Big O) order.

$$n^2, n \log_3^2 n, \sqrt{n^5 + \log_2 n}, \log_{10} n, \log_5 n, 2^{\log_3 n}, (\sqrt{2})^n$$

5.2

Find $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n^{\sqrt{2}} \log^2 n$ is $O(n^k)$. Is your bound "tight"?

5.3

Prove that $\sqrt{x^4 + 6x^2 + 9}$ is $O(x^2)$. Find a $C, k \geq 0$ such that $\sqrt{x^4 + 6x^2 + 9} \leq Cx^2$ for all $x \geq k$.

5.4

Prove that $n^3 + 7n^2$ is not $O(n^2)$. Given a $C, k \geq 0$, find an $n \geq k$ such that $n^3 + 7n^2 > Cn^2$.