

1. Show that a connected acyclic graph has $n - 1$ edges.
Notation: In general, n will denote the number of vertices and m , the number of edges.
2. Show that in a graph with every vertex degree at least 2 there must be a cycle.
Hint. Consider a longest path in the graph.
3. A graph is *2-connected* or *2-vertex connected* if the removal of any vertex leaves it connected. Show that in a 2-connected graph every pair of vertices lie on a cycle.
Hint. Induction on the distance between the two vertices.
4. A *tournament* is a directed graph such that for every pair of vertices u, v either there is an edge from u to v or from v to u . Show that a tournament has a directed path of length $n - 1$.
5. **Mantel's Theorem.** Prove that the number of edges in a triangle free graph is at most $n^2/4$.
Hint. Let $\{u, v\}$ be an edge. Remove these two vertices and induct on $V(H) = V(G) - \{u, v\}$. What is the base case?
6. **Turan's Theorem.** Prove that the number of edges in a K_{r+1} -free graph is at most $(1 - 1/r)(n^2/2)$.
Hint. Induction on the pair (r, n) . Generalise the previous theorem.
7. **Euler's Formula** A *planar* graph is a graph that can be drawn on the plane. The plane then is divided into regions or faces. Intuitively you can go from any point in a face to any other point without crossing any edge of vertex of the graph. Each face is bounded by a cycle. If G is a connected planar graph show that $n - m + f = 2$ where f is the number of faces.
Hint. Induction on f . What is the base case?
8. **Hall's theorem:** Given a bipartite graph prove that it has a perfect matching if and only if for every subset S of A , the size of the neighborhood of S is at least that of S .
9. Prove that a graph with 6 vertices contains either an independent set or a clique of size 3.
10. **Graph Ramsey Theorem.** Prove that for every positive integers k, r there is a positive integer $N(k, r)$ such that every graph on $N(k, r)$ vertices either has a clique of size k or an independent set of size r .
Hint. Induction on $k + r$. Take any vertex and examine its neighborhood. Write a recurrence for $N(k, r)$.
11. Prove that for a bipartite graph, the size of a maximum matching equals the size of the minimum vertex cover. First prove that if this is so, then the vertex cover has to contain exactly one end-point from each edge in the matching.

12. A coloring of a graph is an assignment of positive integers to the vertices of the graph such that the end-points of the edges are assigned different colors. Prove that if the maximum degree of a vertex in a graph is Δ then the graph can be colored using $\Delta + 1$ colors.

Optional. For which graphs do you need $\Delta + 1$ colors (and not less)?