## CSE421: Design and Analysis of Algorithms

## Homework 2

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P1) (20 points) Let $G$ be a tree. Use induction to prove that the number of leaves of $G$ is at least the number of vertices of degree at least 3 in $G$. For example, the following tree has 3 leaves and 1 vertex of degree at least 3 , and $3 \geq 1$.


P2) (20 points) Given a connected undirected graph $G=(V, E)$ with $n$ vertices and $m=n+k$ edges. Design an $O(m+n)$ time algorithm that outputs $k$ edges $e_{1}, \ldots, e_{k}$ of $G$ such that if we delete all of these edges $G$ still remains connected. For example in the following graph if you delete both of the red edges the graph remains connected.


P3) (20 points) Given a weighted graph $G=(V, E)$ where every edge $e \in E$ has a weight $w_{e} \in$ $\{1,2,3\}$ and a vertex $s \in V$. Design an $O(m+n)$ time algorithm that outputs the length of the shortest path from $s$ to all vertices of $V$. Recall that in a weighted graph the length of a path $P$ with edges $e_{1}, \ldots, e_{k}$ is $w_{e_{1}}+\cdots+w_{e_{k}}$. For example, in the following graph the length of the shortest path from $s$ to $a, b, c$ are $2,1,3$ respectively.


P4) (20 points) Given an undirected graph $G=(V, E)$ with $n$ vertices such that the degree of every vertex of $G$ is at most $k$. Show that we can color the edges of $G$ with at most $2 k-1$ colors such that any pair of edges $e, f$ which are incident to the same vertex have distinct colors. For example, in the following graph, we have $k=2$, and we can color edges of $G$ with $2 k-1=3$ colors as follows:


P5) Extra Credit: Prove that we can color the edges of every graph $G$ with two colors (red and blue) such that, for every vertex $v$, the number of red edges touching $v$ and the number of blue edges touch $v$ differ by at most 2 .

