## Homework 3

Due: Thursday 9/13 before 10:30

- 1. What is the maximum number of different values for s-t cuts in a directed graph on n vertices?
- 2. Prove that every weighted undirected graph has a flow-equivalent tree which is a path.
- 3. Let  $A, B \subseteq V$  be two subsets of the vertex-set of the (undirected) graph G = (V, E). Let  $c: E \to \mathbf{R}_+$  be a cost/weight/capacity function defined on the set of edges of G.
  - (a) Show that

 $c(\delta(A)) + c(\delta(B)) \ge c(\delta(A \cap B)) + c(\delta(A \cup B)).$ 

- (b) Show that if both  $\delta(A)$  and  $\delta(B)$  are minimum s-t cuts in G, then so are  $\delta(A \cap B)$  and  $\delta(A \cup B)$ .
- 4. Prove that in a matrix, the maximum number of non-zero entries, no two in the same line (row or column), is equal to the minimum number of lines that include all non-zero entries.