## CSE 5311 Lab Assignment 3

Due August 11, 2010

## Goals:

Understanding of edge coloring

## **Requirements:**

1. Write (and test) a C/C++ program to *edge color* a provided bipartite graph. Your program must compile and execute on at least one of OMEGA or Visual Studio.

The input to your program will be:

- a.  $n_l$ ,  $n_r$ , and m, the numbers of left column vertices, right column vertices, and edges.  $n_l \le n_r \le 50$  and  $m \le 1000$ .
- b. m lines, each giving an edge: left column vertex, right column vertex. Left column vertices are numbered  $0 \dots n_l$  1. Right column vertices are numbered  $0 \dots n_r$  1. The edges will be sorted lexicographically by left column vertex, then right column vertex. Duplicate edges will not occur.

The output from your program will be:

- a. A trace of the processing. Each edge will be processed by either 1) using a color that is "free" at both incident vertices, or 2) using an alternating (*a*, *b*) path. For (1), simply indicate the free color that is used for the edge. For (2), indicate the colors (e.g. numbers) for *a* and *b*.
- b. A list of the edges (input order) and the final color for each edge.
- 2. Email your code (as attachments) to arjundasgupta@uta.edu before 3:15 pm on August 11. The subject should include your name as recorded by the University.

## **Getting Started:**

- 1. You may use existing code, but be sure to give appropriate credit.
- 2. Bipartite edge coloring is discussed in Notes 18. Do not use the approach for general graphs, since the number of colors you may use is bounded by the degree ( $\Delta$ ) of the bipartite graph (not  $\Delta + 1$ ). Assigned colors must be in the range  $0 \dots \Delta 1$ .