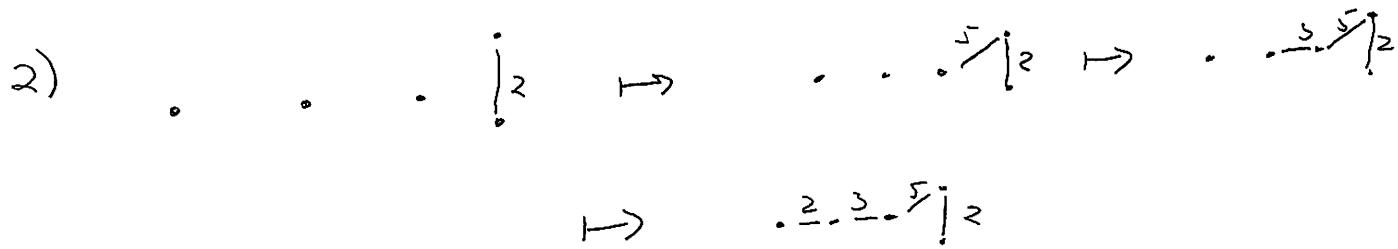


Exam #2: solutions

1) 4 leaves w/ labels 7, 10, 11, 12, 13.



3) a- True consider

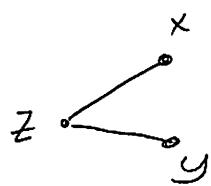
b- True. $G = \{K_2\}$. If G is ctd, w/ more than two vertices, and it has a ~~cut-ve~~ bridge then by thm 7.2 at least one of its endpts is a cut-vertex.

c- As $k(G) \geq 2$, then G is ctd. If $G-e$ were disconnected, then e is a bridge. so $\lambda(G) = 1$. But by thm $\lambda(G) \geq k(G)$. so False.

5) Let G be such that $k(G) \geq 3$. As G is ctd w/ order $n \geq 2$, then \exists vertices x, y w/ $x \sim y$. By Whitney's thm \exists at least 3 int. diss paths P_1, P_2, P_3 . We may assume (wlog) that $P_1 + P_2$ are not the edge xy . Now $P_1, P_2 +$ the edge xy constitute a chorded cycle.

4) This is true. Note that f is a bridge in $G - e$. (why?) So f is on NO cycle in $G - e$. It follows that every cycle containing f , in G , must also contain e .

6) If G is nonseparable, then $R(G) \geq 2$. By thm \exists int. disj $z-x$ and $z-y$ paths, i.e., we have:



$\therefore \exists$ an $x-y$ path containing z .