

21-301 Combinatorics

Homework 9

Due: Wednesday, November 29

1. Prove that if we 2-color the edges of  $K_6$  then there are least *two* mono-chromatic triangles.
2. Prove that if  $n \geq R(2k, 2k)$  and if we 2-color the edges of  $K_{n,n}$  then there is a mono-chromatic copy of  $K_{k,k}$ .
3. Let  $I_1, I_2, \dots, I_{mn+1}$  be closed intervals on the real line i.e.  $I_j = [a_j, b_j]$  where  $a_j \leq b_j$  for  $1 \leq j \leq mn+1$ . Use Dilworth's theorem to show that either (i) there are  $m+1$  intervals that are pair-wise disjoint or (ii) there are  $n+1$  intervals with a non-empty intersection.