

Answer sheet (Dr Bahen)



Second Midterm Exam Math151  
(Discrete Mathematics)  
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Q1: Let  $R$  be a relation defined on the set  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  such that for  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$a R b \Leftrightarrow (\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b}) \in \mathbb{Z} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$$

(a) Show that  $R$  is an equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{N}$ . (3 marks)

•  $R$  is reflexive because  $\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{a} = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$  so  $a R a$ . (1)

•  $R$  is symmetric because if  $a R b$  then  $(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b}) \in \mathbb{Z}$   
so  $(\sqrt{b} - \sqrt{a}) \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Hence  $b R a$ . (1)

•  $R$  is transitive because if  $a R b$  and  $b R c$  then  
 $(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b}) = k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $(\sqrt{b} - \sqrt{c}) = l \in \mathbb{Z}$  by addition  
we get  $\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{b} - \sqrt{c} = k + l$  so  $\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{c} \in \mathbb{Z}$   
so  $a R c$ . (1)

As  $R$  reflexive, symmetric and transitive then  $R$  is an equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{N}$ .

(b) Is  $9 \in [4]$ ? (1 mark)

$9 R 4$  because  $\sqrt{9} - \sqrt{4} = 3 - 2 = 1 \in \mathbb{Z}$   
so  $9 \in [4]$ . (1)

Q2: Let  $T$  be the equivalence relation defined on the set  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$ , where  
 $\mathfrak{I}(T) = \{\{1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{4, 5, 6\}, \{7, 8\}\}$ . Represent  $T$  in ordered pairs. (3 marks)

$T = \{ (1, 1); (2, 2); (3, 3); (4, 4); (5, 5); (6, 6); (7, 7); (8, 8);$   
 $(2, 3); (3, 2); (4, 5); (5, 4); (4, 6); (6, 4); (5, 6); (6, 5);$   
 $(7, 8); (8, 7) \}$  (3)

Q3: Let  $S$  be a relation defined on the set  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$  as:  $a S b \Leftrightarrow a|b$ .

(a) Show that  $S$  is a partial ordering relation on  $A$ . (3 marks)

•  $S$  is reflexive because if  $a \in A$  we know that  $a|a$   
 so  $a S a$ . (1)

•  $S$  is antisymmetric because if  $a S b$  and  $b S a$  then  
 $a|b \Leftrightarrow \exists k \in \mathbb{N} / b = ak$ , also  $b|a \Leftrightarrow \exists k' \in \mathbb{N} / a = k'b$   
 By substitution,  $b = k'b k \Leftrightarrow b(1 - k'k) = 0$   
 As  $b \neq 0$  then  $k'k = 1$ . We deduce that  $k = k' = 1$  (1)  
 and  $a = b$ .

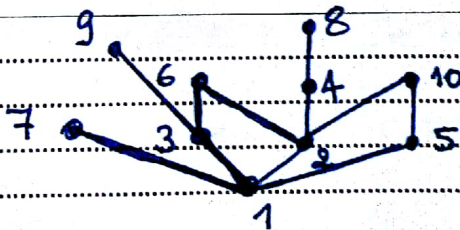
•  $S$  is transitive because if  $a S b$  and  $b S c$  then  $a|b$  &  $b|c$   
 $b = ak$  and  $c = bl$ . By substitution,  $c = akl = aM$  (1)  
 So  $a|c \Leftrightarrow a S c$ .

As  $S$  reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive then  $(A, S)$  is a poset.

(b) Is  $S$  a totally ordering relation on  $A$ ? (1 mark)

No,  $S$  does not satisfy comparison property  
 take  $a = 5$  and  $b = 3$ . we have  $a \not S b$  and  $b \not S a$ . (1)

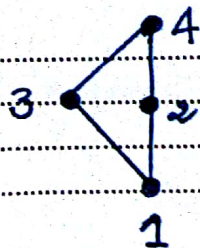
(c) Draw the Hasse diagram for  $(A, S)$ . (2 marks)



Q4: Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial ordering relation

$R = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (4,4), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (2,4), (3,4)\}$  on the set  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

(3 marks)





Q5: (a) Determine the number of edges for the complement of  $K_{10,14}$ .

(2 marks)

We know that  $K_{10,14} \cup \overline{K_{10,14}} = K_{24}$

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Then  $|E(K_{10,14})| + |E(\overline{K_{10,14}})| = |E(K_{24})| = \frac{24 \times 23}{2}$

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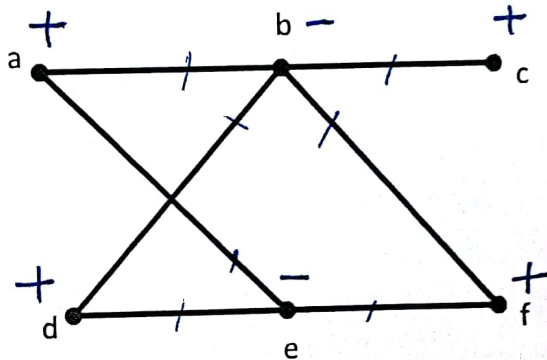
$140 + |E(\overline{K_{10,14}})| = 276$

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So  $|E(\overline{K_{10,14}})| = 276 - 140 = 136$

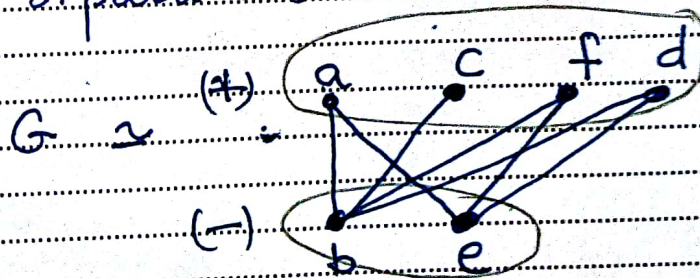
(b) Determine whether the graph below is bipartite or not. If so, provide a bipartite representation.

(2 marks)



$G$  is bipartite because it has not odd cycles

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