

1. (a) State the definition of a relation from  $A$  to  $B$ .

A relation from  $A$  to  $B$  is a subset of  $A \times B$ .

- (b) Give an example of a relation from  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  to  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  which is not reflexive or symmetric, but is transitive.

$\{(1, 2)\}$  is vacuously transitive, we don't know  $2 \sim 1$  so it's not symmetric & we don't know  $(1, 1)$  or  $(2, 2)$  so it's not reflexive.

Good

A set of Pair wise disjoint sets whose union is all of  $S$

2. Which of the following are partitions of  $S = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ ? Mark all which are.

- $\{\{a, b\}, \{c, d, e\}\}$  Yes because it is a set of sets, and the union is all of  $S$ .
- $\{\{a\}, \{c\}\}$  No because the union is not all of  $S$ .
- $\{a, b, c, d, e\}$  No because this is not a set of sets.
- $\{a, b, c, d\}, \{e\}$  No because this is not a set of sets.
- $\{\{a, b, c, d\}, \{e\}\}$  Yes because this is a set of pairwise disjoint sets whose union is all of  $S$ .

Excellent!

3. Express the definition of a surjective function in terms of ordered pairs.

$f$  is surjective iff  $\forall b \in B$   $\exists a \in A$  such that  $(a, b) \in f$

Good.

4. Let  $S$  be a set and  $\Pi$  a partition of  $S$  defined by  $a \sim b \Leftrightarrow \exists P \in \Pi$  for which  $a, b \in P$ .  
Then  $\Pi$  is a reflexive relation.

Let  $a \in S$ .  $\Pi$  is a partition of  $S$  so the union of  $\Pi$  is all of  $S$ . So  $\exists P \in \Pi$  for which  $a \in P$ . Since  $a \in P$  and  $a \in P$  then  $a \sim a$  and it is a reflexive relation

Nice!

5. (a) State the definition of a graph.

A graph is a set of vertices, along with a set of edges, where an edge is a set of exactly two distinct vertices.

Great

(b) Suppose  $G$  is a graph with every vertex having degree at least 1. Create a relation  $\sim$  on the vertices of  $G$  by saying that two vertices  $v_1, v_2$  of  $G$  are related iff there exists a walk from  $v_1$  to  $v_2$  which has no edge used more than once. Is  $\sim$  reflexive? Symmetric? Transitive?

Reflexive:

$\forall v \in G, \exists$  a walk between  $v$  and  $v$  with no edges. So

$\forall v \in G, v \sim v$ , and it is reflexive. Good

Symmetric:

$\forall v_1 \sim v_2, \exists$  a walk with no repeated edges between  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ .

So if we traverse that walk in reverse, we can see similarly a walk with no repeated edges exists from  $v_2$  to  $v_1$ .

So  $v_1 \sim v_2 \iff v_2 \sim v_1$ , and it is symmetric. Great

Transitive:

$\forall v_1 \sim v_2, v_2 \sim v_3, \exists$  a walk from  $v_1$  to  $v_2$  and a walk from  $v_2$  to  $v_3$

with no repeated edges. Suppose we create a new walk, starting at  $v_1$  towards  $v_3$ . As we construct this walk, every time we add a vertex we can check if that vertex exists in the walk from  $v_2$  to  $v_3$ . If not, we add another edge, and check the next vertex. If it is in the walk from  $v_2$  to  $v_3$ , we

then use that walk from that vertex on and proceed to  $v_3$ .

Because we check every vertex we added to our walk to see if it was in the walk from  $v_2$  to  $v_3$ , we know that no

vertices will be repeated in the walk we construct from  $v_1$  to  $v_3$ , and therefore no edges also. Since we constructed a walk from  $v_1$  to  $v_3$  with no repeated edges,  $v_1 \sim v_2 \wedge v_2 \sim v_3 \implies v_1 \sim v_3$ , and it is transitive.

Nice!