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Discrete Mathematics

Quiz 1:

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Each question carries 5 marks.

- (1) State Turan's theorem. Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a simple undirected graph on  $n$  vertices. We define the complement graph of  $G$  to be the graph  $\bar{G} = (V, \bar{E})$  with vertex set  $V$  and whose edge set is the complement of  $E$ . So  $(x, y) \in \bar{E}$  if and only if  $(x, y) \notin E$ . If  $G$  has a clique of size at least  $t$ , what can you say about independent sets in  $\bar{G}$ . Using Turan's theorem show that if  $G$  has exactly  $\frac{nk}{2}$  edges then  $G$  has an independent set of size at least  $n/(k+1)$ .
- (2) State Dilworth's theorem. Let  $0 < a_1 < a_2 < \dots < a_{r+s+1}$  be  $r+s+1$  distinct integers. Using Dilworth's theorem show that we can select  $r+1$  of them each dividing the following one, or  $s+1$  of them none of which divides the other.
- (3) Show that if you select any  $n+1$  distinct numbers among  $\{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$  there will be a pair of numbers which add up to  $2n+1$ .
- (4) Guess the pattern for the sum of the following expression, and prove it by induction.

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} + \dots + \frac{1}{(n) \cdot (n+1) \cdot (n+2)}$$