

Math 2300, Spring 2011 – Discrete Structures
Quiz 3 – Sample Problems

1. Solve the recurrence relation:

$$a_k = 3a_{k-1} + 6^k, \quad k \geq 1, \quad \text{given } a_0 = 1.$$

2. Let $A = \{1,2,3\}$ and $B = \{x,y\}$.

- List the elements of $A \times B$.
- List the elements of the power set of A : $\mathcal{P}(A)$.

3. Let A , B , and C be sets. Prove that $(A \times B) \cup (A \times C) \subseteq A \times (B \cup C)$.

4. Let A , B , and C be sets. Use set identities to prove that $(A - B) - C = A - (B \cup C)$.

5. Assume that all sets are subsets of a universal set U and prove that for all sets A and B , if $A \subseteq B$, then $A \cap B^c = \emptyset$.

6. Let $A = \{1,2,3,4\}$, draw a directed graph of a relation on A that is:

- Reflexive, but not symmetric and not transitive.
- Symmetric and transitive, but no reflexive.

7. Let $A = \{2,3,5\}$ and $B = \{2,6,15\}$ and let R be the “divides” relation from A to B :

$$\forall (x,y) \in A \times B, xRy \Leftrightarrow x \mid y$$

- Explicitly state which ordered pairs are in R .
- Explicitly state which ordered pairs are in R^{-1} .

8. Let R be the relation defined on Z as follows:

$$\forall m,n \in Z, mRn \Leftrightarrow 5 \mid (m - n)$$

- Prove that R is an equivalence relation.
- List (no proof required) the distinct equivalence classes of R .

9. Consider the subset relation, \subseteq , on the set $\mathcal{P}(\{a, b, c\})$. That is for all U and V in $\mathcal{P}(\{a, b, c\})$:

$$U \subseteq V \Leftrightarrow \forall x, x \in U \Rightarrow x \in V$$

Draw the Hasse diagram for this relation.

10. How many integers from 1 through 100 must you pick to be sure of getting one that is divisible by 5?

11. a. Draw the complete graph on seven vertices, K_7 .

b. Draw the bipartite graph $K_{3,4}$.

12. Does this graph (not shown – but this gives you an idea of a type of question) have an Euler Circuit? Why or why not? If not can you remove one edge to result in a subgraph with an Euler Circuit? (Specify which edge.) Label the vertices and describe the path that forms the circuit.