

Question 1

a.

First, prove that $\emptyset \in S$.

Obviously, we have $\emptyset \in E = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, and $a(\emptyset) = \sum_{j \in \emptyset} a_j = 0 \leq b \in \mathbb{R}_+$

So, $\emptyset \in S$.

Second, prove that $X \subseteq Y \in S \Rightarrow X \in S$

$$Y \in S \Rightarrow a(Y) = \sum_{j \in Y} a_j \leq b$$

$$X \subseteq Y \Rightarrow a(X) = \sum_{j \in X} a_j = \sum_{i \in Y} a_i - \sum_{j \in Y \setminus X} a_j \leq \sum_{j \in Y} a_j \leq b$$

So, this defines an independence system $\mathcal{F} \subseteq 2^E$

b.

$$n = 6 \Rightarrow S \subseteq E = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

And we have,

$$a = (1, 1, 1, 4, 4, 5), b = 8 \Rightarrow a(S) = \sum_{j \in S} a_j \leq 8$$

Question 2

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$$\mathcal{B} + \mathcal{F}$$

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