1. (a) [2 marks] List all compositions of 2, 3 and 4 where each part is a positive integer not equal to 2.

(b) [2 marks] Prove that the generating function for the number of compositions of a positive integer n into k parts, such that each part is a positive integer which is not equal to two, is

$$\Phi(x) = \left(\frac{x - x^2 + x^3}{1 - x}\right)^k.$$

(c) [2 marks] Determine the generating function for the number,  $a_n$ , of compositions of n with no restriction on the number of parts in the composition. As in parts (a) and (b), each part is a positive integer which is not equal to 2.

(d) [3 marks] Let  $\{b_n\}$  be the sequence whose generating function is defined by

$$\sum_{n\geq 0} b_n x^n = \frac{1+x^4}{1-x-2x^3}.$$

Determine a recurrence relation, together with sufficient initial conditions, to uniquely determine the sequence of  $b_n$ 's.

(e) [3 marks] The recurrence relation  $c_n = 5c_{n-1} - 6c_{n-2}$  for all integers  $n \ge 2$  with initial conditions  $c_0 = -3$  and  $c_1 = -4$ , defines the terms of a sequence  $\{c_n\}$ . Solve this recurrence relation.

- 2. (a) For each of the following sets, write down a decomposition that uniquely creates the elements of that set.
  - i. [2 marks] The set of  $\{0,1\}$ -strings where all blocks have even length.

ii. [2 marks] The  $\{0,1\}$ -strings that have no blocks of 1s with length 2, and no substrings of 0s of length 3.

iii. [2 marks] The set of  $\{0,1\}$ -strings in which the substring 11000 does not occur.

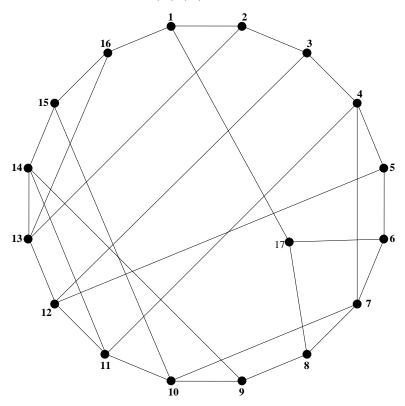
(b) [3 marks] Let  $S = \{1\}^*(\{0\}\{00\}^*\{11\}\{1\}^*)^*\{0\}^*$ . Find the generating function for S (for full marks, simplify your answer to be of the form  $\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$  where P(x) and Q(x) are polynomials).

3. (a) [3 marks] Let  $G_1$  denote the graph with vertex set  $V_1$  equal to the subsets of  $\{1, 2, ..., 100\}$  of size 5. Any two vertices of  $V_1$ , say a and b, are joined if and only if  $|a \cap b| = 2$ . What is the degree of each vertex? Explain.

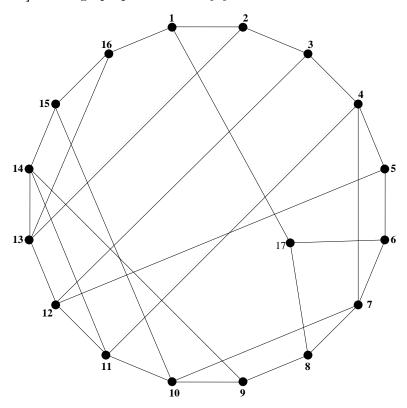
(b) [3 marks] Is  $G_1$  bipartite? Justify your answer.

- (c) [4 marks] Let  $G_2$  denote the graph with vertex set  $V_2$  equal to the  $\{0,1\}$ -strings of length 100 that have exactly 95 zeros and 5 ones. Any two vertices of  $V_2$ , say x and y, are joined if and only if x and y differ in exactly 2 positions.
  - i. What is the degree of each vertex? Explain.
  - ii. Are  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  isomorphic? Justify your answer.

4. (a) [4 marks] Find a breadth-first search tree for the following graph G, rooted at 11. Whenever you have a choice of which vertex to have join the tree, choose the vertex whose label is numerically smallest. Draw the breadth-first search tree in a separate diagram, and make a list of the vertices showing the order in which they entered the tree. In your drawing, place the root vertex at the top, and the vertices at level i + 1 below those at level i for i = 0, 1, 2, 3, ...



(b) [4 marks] Is this graph planar? Justify your answer.



- 5. The following statements are all false. Give a counter example for each of them!
  - (a) [1 mark] Every bipartite graph is planar.

(b) [1 mark] Every planar graph is bipartite.

(c) [1 mark] In every graph, the size of a maximum matching is equal to the size of a minimum cover.

(d) [2 marks] If a connected bipartite graph G has a bipartition (A, B) for which |A| = |B|, then G has a perfect matching.

(e) (Continued from page 8.) [1 mark] Every 4-colourable graph is planar.

(f) [1 mark] Every graph has a spanning tree.

(g) [1 mark] Every tree has a perfect matching.

(h) [2 marks] If a graph has a perfect matching M, then it has a minimum cover C such that |C| = |M|.

6. (a) [2 marks] State Euler's Formula for a connected planar embedding with s faces, p vertices and q edges.

(b) [2 marks] State a formula for the sum of the degrees of the faces in a planar embedding with q edges and faces  $f_1, f_2, ..., f_s$ .

(c) [4 marks] Let P be a connected planar embedding in which every vertex has degree 4 and every face has degree 3. Determine the number of vertices p, the number of edges q, and the number of faces s in P. Draw such a planar embedding P.

- 7. Let G be a planar graph on  $p \geq 3$  vertices which does not contain any triangles.
  - (a) [2 marks] Determine an upper bound for the number of edges, q, in G as a function of p.

(b) [3 marks] Show that G contains a vertex of degree less than four.

(c) [6 marks] Prove, by induction on p, that every planar graph G on p vertices which does not contain any triangles is 4-colorable. [Hint: in the induction step, delete a vertex of smallest degree from G.]

8. (a) Consider the graph G with bipartition  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$  and  $B = \{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j\}$ . Let M be the matching determined by the thick edges in this graph.

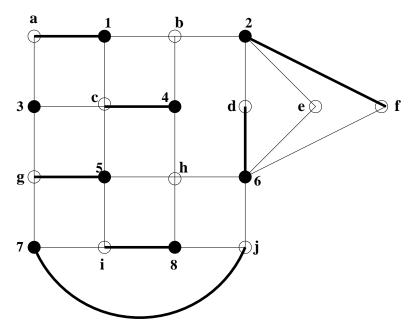


Figure 1: The graph G

i. [2 marks] Determine the set X of the XY-construction.

ii. [2 marks] Determine the set Y of the XY-construction.

iii. [2 marks] Is the matching M a maximum matching? Explain.

(b) Consider the graph H with bipartition  $A = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$  and  $B = \{g, h, i, j, k, \ell\}$  and Let M be the matching determined by the thick edges in this graph.

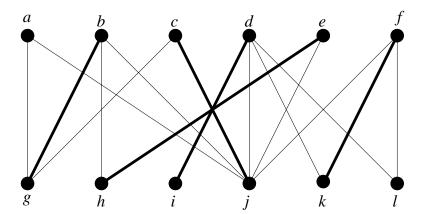


Figure 2: The graph H

i. [2 marks] Determine the sets X and Y of the XY-construction.

ii. [2 marks] Determine the cover produced by the XY-construction.

iii. [2 marks] Is M a maximum matching? Justify your answer.