Mock exam and mid-course revision

WHEN ASKED HOW MY PREP IS GOING

I was going for ‘quiet desperation’.
LEARNING OUTCOMES

Revise the material of the first part of the course
Prepare for the exam
Congratulations!
You have just been hired by DBBA Bank, a digital bank with a lot of customers throughout the UK.
Your first task is to **analyse a network of financial transactions** with the **goal of spotting money laundering**.

Your data contain **all transactions from all the DBBA Bank’s customers**. This includes payments, transactions between customers, and money transfers between different accounts (remember that a customer may have more than one account).
QUESTION 1

Describe how you would model the data as a network. Do so by answering the following questions:

i. What type of network would this be (e.g., single-layer, multipartite, tree, etc.)?
ii. What do the nodes represent?
iii. What do the links represent?
iv. Is the network weighted or unweighted?
v. Is the network directed or undirected?

Clearly state your assumptions and justify all your answers!
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Given the current economic turmoil, DBBA Bank wants to explore whether they should change their asset allocation.

To do so, you are asked to perform a temporal analysis of the UK's stock price correlation network.

Since you have attended DBBA, you decide to do so by building the maximum spanning tree of the network for each month of data in the last year.

While doing your analysis, you notice one thing: Meme Invest, a famous investment fund, was the most central node in the tree at the beginning of the period you are analysing, forming a super star. However, its degree has progressively decreased, and now Meme Invest is not even a hub anymore.
QUESTION 2

Given what you know about Meme Invest and its position in the network, what could be the cause of its degree dropping?
QUESTION 2

How can DBBA Bank use this result?
The unweighted, directed network below is DBBA Bank's ego-network of interbank loan. Each node represents a bank. A link from i to j means that i lends money to j. Answer the following questions:
List the nodes that belong to the largest weakly connected component and the nodes that belong to the largest strongly connected component. Justify your answer.
Comment on the centrality of the nodes in the network.
Discuss the robustness of the network (maximum five sentences)
QUESTION 4

In case of a systemic shock, which bank would be the most affected? State your assumptions (if any) and justify your answer.
QUESTION 4

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