

Mid 1 Practice

Tips: ① Manage your time carefully: Browse the exam, solve the easy problem first.

② No multiple choice in this exam

③ Do the quiz!

④ Though it's open book exam, you still need to review: ^{*} properties of relation; $A \neq P(A)$.

⑤ You can use any off-line materials, so you can prepare some notes that you want to use.

And remember to download the slides.

⑥ Make sure you have an offline PDF reader software. Using web browser is not allowed!

⑦ Make sure you know the symbols well for example: " \mid " (for divide) " $\mid n$ " " \leq " " \geq " " 2^N " " \rightarrow "

Part I: Set and Logic:

Tips: To prove two sets are equal, you can use $A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq A \Leftrightarrow A = B$ Or truth table.

1. $2^{A \cap B} = 2^A \cap 2^B$ (2^A meanings the power set of A or $P(A)$).

1° $2^{A \cap B} \subseteq 2^A \cap 2^B$, let $x \in 2^{A \cap B} \Rightarrow x \subseteq A \cap B \Rightarrow x \subseteq A \wedge x \subseteq B \Rightarrow x \in 2^A \cap 2^B$

2° $2^A \cap 2^B \subseteq 2^{A \cap B}$, let $x \in 2^A \cap 2^B \Rightarrow x \subseteq A \wedge x \subseteq B \Rightarrow x \subseteq A \cap B \Rightarrow x \in 2^{A \cap B}$.

By 1°, 2° $2^{A \cap B} = 2^A \cap 2^B$

2. $(A-B) \Delta (A-C) = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow A \cap B = A \cap C$ ($x \Delta y$ means $(x-y) \cup (y-x)$)

$a: x \in A$, $b: x \in B$, $a \wedge b: x \in A \cap B$, $a \wedge c: x \in A \cap C$.

let $(a \wedge b) \oplus (a \wedge c): x \in (A \cap B) \Delta (A \cap C)$
xor

Tips: Please refer to the slides table to review logic operation properties (De Morgan's Law e.g.)

Concepts important: CNF & DNF, " \rightarrow " means $\neg p \vee q$

Two methods: use logic operation property table directly or use truth table.

When it's hard to prove, try truth table

3. Prove: $(a \rightarrow c) \wedge (b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \vee b \rightarrow c)$

$$\begin{aligned} (\neg a \vee c) \wedge (\neg b \vee c) &\Leftrightarrow (\neg a \wedge \neg b) \vee c \\ &\Leftrightarrow \neg(a \vee b) \vee c \\ &\Leftrightarrow a \vee b \rightarrow c \end{aligned}$$

4. Write CNF and DNF for $(a \leftrightarrow b) \rightarrow (b \wedge c)$

Truth Table ✕

$$(a \leftrightarrow b) \rightarrow (b \wedge c)$$

$$((a \rightarrow b) \wedge (b \rightarrow a)) \rightarrow (b \wedge c)$$

$$\neg((\neg a \vee b) \wedge (\neg b \vee a)) \vee (b \wedge c)$$

$$\neg(\neg a \vee b) \vee \neg(\neg b \vee a) \vee (b \wedge c)$$

$$(a \wedge \neg b) \vee (b \wedge \neg a) \vee (b \wedge c) \quad \text{CNF}$$

a	b	c	$a \leftrightarrow b$	$b \wedge c$	$(a \leftrightarrow b) \rightarrow (b \wedge c)$	CNF	DNF
0	0	0	1	0	0	✓	
0	0	1	1	0	0	✓	
0	1	0	0	0	1		✓
0	1	1	0	1	1		✓
1	0	0	0	0	1		✓
1	0	1	0	0	1		✓
1	1	0	1	0	0	✓	
1	1	1	1	1	1		✓

Part II Induction:

$$P(n) \quad P(n-1)$$

Strong Induction: (I) $P(n_0)$ is true (II) $P(n+1)$ is true whenever $P(n_0), P(n_0+1), \dots, P(n)$ is true

Example: Prime Factorization (slides)

Recursively Defined Structures: Structures defined recursively

Structural Induction: (I) Statement is true for basis element

(II) If Statement is true for all the elements constructing new elements then Statement is true for new element.

✱ structural Induction is used in recursively defined objects

Concepts important: strings

5. Given a string w over the alphabet Σ , let $w_R = \begin{cases} \lambda & \text{if } w = \lambda \\ ax^R & \text{if } w = xa \text{ with } x \in \Sigma^*, a \in \Sigma \end{cases}$

A symmetric string is a string w such that $w = w^R$ (e.g. A, ABA, ABBA). Empty string is symmetric.

(i) Provide a recursive definition of a symmetric string (x^R means x reverse)

(ii) Show that $w = w^R$ iff w is a symmetric string based on your recursive definition.

(You may use the fact that $(x \cdot y)^R = y^R \cdot x^R$ and $(x^R)^R = x$ for all $x, y \in \Sigma^*$)

(From previous mid1)

(i) Base 1: $l(w) = 0, w = \lambda$

Base 2: $l(w) = 1, w = a, w_R = a \cdot \lambda = a$

Inductive case when x is a symmetric, $w = xa, w_R = a \cdot x^R$.

(ii) $w = w^R \Rightarrow w = \lambda$ or $w = a$ or $w = ax^R$ x is symmetric.

(\Rightarrow) Base 1: $l(w) = 0, w = \lambda$, it's symmetric.

Base 2: $l(w) = 1, w = a$ it's symmetric.

Inductive: $w = w^R, w = xa? w = a \cdot x^R$.

6. (\Rightarrow) A binary relation $\rightarrow A \subseteq \text{dom } A \times \text{range } A$ is a set of ordered pairs.

(\Rightarrow) $1^\circ A = \emptyset, \text{dom } A = \emptyset, \text{range } A = \emptyset \quad A \subseteq \text{dom } A \times \text{range } A = \emptyset$

$2^\circ A \neq \emptyset$, for $\text{Set } 1 \subseteq \text{Set } 2 \Leftrightarrow \forall x \in \text{Set } 1 \rightarrow x \in \text{Set } 2$.

$\forall (x, y) \in A$ there exists y such that $(x, y) \in A, x \in \text{dom } A$
there exists x such that $(x, y) \in A, y \in \text{range } A$

(\Leftarrow) if $A \subseteq \text{dom } A \times \text{range } A \rightarrow A$ is a binary relation

Relation Ordered pairs

Part III. Function and Relation

Concept Important: definition of function and relation, (Relation are just set of ordered pairs)

Domain and Range of function

6. Given a set A , show that A is a binary relation iff $A \subseteq \text{dom } A \times \text{range } A$. (Previous mid 1)

$$aRa \quad aRb \rightarrow bRa \quad aRb \wedge bRc \rightarrow aRc$$

Concept important: Equivalence Relation: reflexive, symmetric, transitive

Equivalence Class: $[x]_R := \{t \in A \mid xRt\}$ R is an equivalence relation.

$$\text{if } xRy \text{ then } [x]_R = [y]_R$$

$$\sqcap \quad A/R$$

Partition/Quotient: set of all equivalence relation of A

Tips: to prove an equivalence relation, prove reflexive, symmetric, transitive separately.

Unfamiliar relation: refer to slides.

7. Let R, S be relations on A , $S = \{(a, b) \mid (\exists c) (aRc \wedge cRb)\}$

Prove: if R is an equivalence relation, then S is an equivalence relation.

If R is an equivalence relation.

$$aRa \rightarrow \top$$

$$aRb \wedge bRc \rightarrow aRc$$

$$aRb \rightarrow bRa$$

for any $c \in A$ $aRc \wedge cRa \rightarrow aRa \rightarrow \top$ so $aSa \rightarrow \top$
(reflexivity)

$$aSb \Rightarrow (\exists c) aRc \wedge cRb \rightarrow \top$$

$$\Rightarrow aRb \rightarrow \top$$

$$\Rightarrow bRa \rightarrow \top$$

$$\Rightarrow bRc \wedge cRa \rightarrow \top$$

$$\Rightarrow bSa \rightarrow \top$$

$$\exists d aRd \wedge dRb \rightarrow \top$$

$$aRc = \underline{aRd \wedge dRc}$$

$$aSb \wedge bSc \rightarrow \exists e bRe \wedge eRc \quad \exists f = e$$

Part IV Equinumerous & Cardinality.

Important statements you might use in exam:

- ① $A \not\approx P(A)$. *
- ② The set of all sets does not exist. *
- ③ $\{x \mid \text{card } x = \aleph\}$ is not a set. *

If you are interested, you can search for how to prove ②, ③.

Tips: Three ways to prove equinumerous 1° find a bijection.

2° Prove two injections $A \leq B \wedge B \leq A \Leftrightarrow A \approx B$ (or cantor-schröder-theorem)

3° To prove $A \approx B$ You can find C so that $A \approx C \wedge C \approx B$

Review the injection given in slides.

8. Given an infinite set A , show that $|A| < |P(A)|$ (previous mid 1)

$$1^\circ A \leq P(A), f: A \rightarrow P(A) \quad x \mapsto \{x\}$$

$$2^\circ A \not\approx P(A) \text{ Use contradiction}$$

Assume there's injection from $A \rightarrow P(A)$. f .
Then let set B be all the elements

$$B = \{a \mid a \mapsto C \wedge a \notin C\}$$

Let's suppose f is bijective. f is onto so $f(b) = B$

If $b \in B$, then $b \notin f(b) = B$ contradiction

If $b \notin B$, $b \in f(b) = B$ contradiction

f is not a bijection $A \rightarrow P(A)$ $A \not\approx P(A)$

Part V Partial Order

Concept important: maximum element, maximum chain, maximal element, maximal chain.

minimum element, minimum chain, minimal element, minimal chain.

Comparable: $x < y$ or $y < x$ in P then x, y is comparable ✖ an element is not comparable to itself!

Height: maximum size of a chain.

Width: maximum size of an antichain.

✖ 4 Theorems:

antichains

Observation: if P can be partitioned into t chains, then height of P is at most t .

pigeonhole principle if P can be partitioned into s chains, then width of P is at most s .

Mirsky Theorem: a poset of height h can be partitioned into h antichains.

Dilworth Theorem: a poset of width w can be partitioned into w chains.