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Solutions — exercise 6

- 5 Use the alternative principle of induction to show that if u_n is defined recursively by the rules $u_1 = 1$, $u_2 = 5$ and for all $n > 1$, $u_{n+1} = 5u_n - 6u_{n-1}$, then $u_n = 3^n - 2^n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Base case : For $n = 1, 2$ we have

$$u_1 = 1 = 3^1 - 2^1 \quad \text{and} \quad u_2 = 5 = 3^2 - 2^2,$$

so the hypothesis holds for the base case.

Inductive step: Assume that the statement

$$u_k = 3^k - 2^k$$

holds for all k , $k < n$. Wish to show that it then holds for $k = n + 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} u_{k+2} &= 5u_{k+1} - 6u_k = 5(3^{k+1} - 2^{k+1}) - 6(3^k - 2^k) \\ &= (5 \cdot 3^{k+1} - 5 \cdot 2^{k+1}) - (2 \cdot 3^{k+1} - 3 \cdot 2^{k+1}) \\ &= 3 \cdot 3^{k+1} - 2 \cdot 2^{k+1} = 3^{k+2} - 2^{k+2} \end{aligned}$$

which is what we wanted to show. To see the second equality a bit clearer we have $6 \cdot 3^k = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3^k = 2 \cdot 3^{k+1}$ and similarly for $6 \cdot 2^k$.

- 6 a) Guess a formula for $\sum_{i=1}^n bi + c$, where b, c are given numbers, and prove it using the principle of induction.

The sum of the first n natural numbers, is $n(n+1)/2$ thus,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n bi + c = b \sum_{i=1}^n i + \sum_{i=1}^n c = b \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + cn.$$

Base case: For $n = 1$ we have

$$LHS = \sum_{i=1}^1 bi + c = b + c, \quad RHS = b \frac{1(1+1)}{2} + c \cdot 1 = b + c.$$

so the hypothesis holds for the base case.

Inductive step: Assume that the statement holds for $n = k$, in other words

$$\sum_{i=1}^k bi + c = b \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + ck.$$

Need to show that this implies that the statement holds for $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} RHS &= \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2} + c(k+1) \\ LHS &= \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} bi + c \\ &= b(k+1) + c + \sum_{i=1}^k bi + c \\ &= b(k+1) + c + b \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + ck = b \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2} + c(k+1) \end{aligned}$$

As $3(2k+1) + k(2k-1) = 2k^2 + 5k + 3 = (k+1)(2k+3)$ either by inspection or the quadratic formula. The rest follows now by induction, and thus concludes the proof.

- b) Use $6 \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = n(n+1)(2n+1)$ and the result of step a) to write down a formula for $\sum_{i=1}^n ai^2 + bi + c$, where a, b, c are given numbers.

Splitting the sum and using step a) immediately gives

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n ai^2 + bi + c &= a \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n bi + c \\ &= a \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + b \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + cn = \frac{n(n+1)(2an + a + 3b)}{6} + cn. \end{aligned}$$

Section 5.1

9 Complete the proof of Theorem 1

Theorem 0.1. For any sets $A, B, C \subseteq \mathcal{U}$:

a) $A \times (B \cap C) = (A \times B) \cap (A \times C)$

b) $A \times (B \cup C) = (A \times B) \cup (A \times C)$

c) $(A \cap B) \times C = (A \times C) \cap (B \times C)$

d) $(A \cup B) \times C = (A \times C) \cup (B \times C)$

The book has proven item a), thus we need to prove the remaining three parts.

Proof of Theorem 1 b).

$$\begin{aligned}
 A \times (B \cup C) &= \{(x, y) \mid x \in A \text{ and } y \in (B \cup C)\} \\
 &= \{(x, y) \mid x \in A \text{ and } (y \in B \text{ or } y \in C)\} \\
 &= \{(x, y) \mid (x \in A \text{ and } y \in B) \text{ or } (x \in A \text{ and } y \in C)\} \\
 &= \{(x, y) \mid x \in A \text{ and } y \in B\} \cup \{(x, y) \mid x \in A \text{ and } y \in C\} \\
 &= (A \times B) \cup (A \times C).
 \end{aligned}$$

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Proof of Theorem 1 c).

$$\begin{aligned}
 (A \cap B) \times C &= \{(x, y) \mid x \in (A \cap B) \text{ and } y \in C\} \\
 &= \{(x, y) \mid (x \in A \text{ and } x \in B) \text{ and } y \in C\} \\
 &= \{(x, y) \mid (x \in A \text{ and } y \in C) \text{ and } (x \in B \text{ and } y \in C)\} \\
 &= \{(x, y) \mid x \in A \text{ and } y \in C\} \cap \{(x, y) \mid x \in B \text{ and } y \in C\} \\
 &= (A \times C) \cap (B \times C).
 \end{aligned}$$

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Proof of Theorem 1 d).

$$\begin{aligned}
 (A \cup B) \times C &= \{(x, y) \mid x \in (A \cup B) \text{ and } y \in C\} \\
 &= \{(x, y) \mid (x \in A \text{ or } x \in B) \text{ and } y \in C\} \\
 &= \{(x, y) \mid (x \in A \text{ and } y \in C) \text{ or } (x \in B \text{ and } y \in C)\} \\
 &= \{(x, y) \mid x \in A \text{ and } y \in C\} \cup \{(x, y) \mid x \in B \text{ and } y \in C\} \\
 &= (A \times C) \cup (B \times C).
 \end{aligned}$$

□

11 For $A, B, C \subset \mathcal{U}$, prove that

$$A \times (B - C) = (A \times B) - (A \times C)$$

Proof. $B - C$ means everything in B except everything in C . The proof is done as before

$$\begin{aligned} A \times (B - C) &= \{(x, y) \mid x \in A \text{ and } y \in B - C\} \\ &= \{(x, y) \mid x \in A \text{ and } (y \in B \text{ and } y \notin C)\} \\ &= \{(x, y) \mid (x \in A \text{ and } y \in B) \text{ and } (x \in A \text{ and } y \notin C)\} \\ &= \{(x, y) \in A \times B\} \cap \{(x, y) \notin A \times C\} \\ &= (A \times B) - (A \times C). \end{aligned}$$

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Section 7.2

6 For sets A, B and C , consider relations $\mathcal{R}_1 \subseteq A \times B$, $\mathcal{R}_2 \subseteq B \times C$, and $\mathcal{R}_3 \subseteq B \times C$. Prove that:

a) $\mathcal{R}_1 \circ (\mathcal{R}_2 \cup \mathcal{R}_3) = (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_2) \cup (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_3),$

As usual we prove the inclusion both ways.

$\mathcal{R}_1 \circ (\mathcal{R}_2 \cup \mathcal{R}_3) \subseteq (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_2) \cup (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_3)$: Let $(x, z) \in \mathcal{R}_1 \circ (\mathcal{R}_2 \cup \mathcal{R}_3)$, then there exists some $y \in B$, $(x, y) \in \mathcal{R}_1$, $(y, z) \in \mathcal{R}_2 \cup \mathcal{R}_3$. By splitting this implies that for some $y \in B$, $((x, y) \in \mathcal{R}_1, (y, z) \in \mathcal{R}_2)$ or $((x, y) \in \mathcal{R}_1, (y, z) \in \mathcal{R}_3)$. So $(x, z) \in \mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_2$ or $(x, z) \in \mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_3$. Which is the same as $(x, z) \in (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_2) \cup (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_3)$, and this proves the inclusion.

$(\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_2) \cup (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_3) \subseteq \mathcal{R}_1 \circ (\mathcal{R}_2 \cup \mathcal{R}_3)$: Let $(x, y) \in (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_2) \cup (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_3)$. Then, $(x, z) \in \mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_2$ or $(x, z) \in \mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_3$. Assume without loss of generality that $(x, z) \in \mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_2$. Then there exists an element $y \in B$ so that $(x, y) \in \mathcal{R}_1$ and $(y, z) \in \mathcal{R}_2$. But $(y, z) \in \mathcal{R}_2$ means that $(y, z) \in \mathcal{R}_2 \cup \mathcal{R}_3$, so $(x, z) \in \mathcal{R}_1 \circ (\mathcal{R}_2 \cup \mathcal{R}_3)$.

b) $\mathcal{R}_1 \circ (\mathcal{R}_2 \cap \mathcal{R}_3) \subseteq (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_2) \cap (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_3).$

To see that equality can not hold in the relation above let $A = B = C = \{1, 2, 3\}$ with $\mathcal{R}_1 = (1, 2), (1, 1)$, $\mathcal{R}_2 = (2, 3)$, $\mathcal{R}_3 = (1, 3)$. Then $\mathcal{R}_1 \circ (\mathcal{R}_2 \cap \mathcal{R}_3) = \mathcal{R}_1 \circ \emptyset = \emptyset$, but $(\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_2) \cap (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_3) = (1, 3) \neq \emptyset$. The proof is nearly identical to the proof above

$\mathcal{R}_1 \circ (\mathcal{R}_2 \cap \mathcal{R}_3) \subseteq (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_2) \cap (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_3)$: Let $(x, z) \in \mathcal{R}_1 \circ (\mathcal{R}_2 \cap \mathcal{R}_3)$, then there exists some $y \in B$, $(x, y) \in \mathcal{R}_1$, $(y, z) \in \mathcal{R}_2 \cap \mathcal{R}_3$. This implies that for some $y \in B$, $(x, y) \in \mathcal{R}_1$, $(y, z) \in \mathcal{R}_2$ and $(y, z) \in \mathcal{R}_3$. So $(x, z) \in \mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_2$ and $(x, z) \in \mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_3$. Which is the same as $(x, z) \in (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_2) \cap (\mathcal{R}_1 \circ \mathcal{R}_3)$, and this proves the inclusion.

- 15 a) Draw the digraph $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$ where $V_1 = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$ and $E_1 = \{(a, b), (a, d), (b, c), (b, e), (d, b), (d, e), (e, c), (e, f), (f, d)\}$.

Just connecting the different points immediately gives figure 1

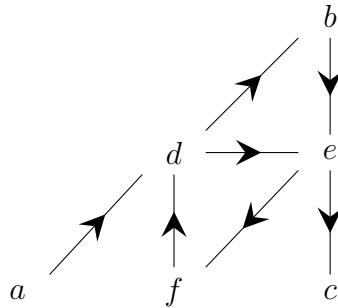


Figure 1

- b) Draw the undirected graph $G_1 = (V_2, E_2)$ where $V_2 = \{s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z\}$ and

$$E_2 = \{\{s, t\}, \{s, u\}, \{s, x\}, \{t, u\}, \{t, w\}, \{u, w\}, \\ \{u, x\}, \{v, w\}, \{v, x\}, \{v, y\}, \{w, z\}, \{x, y\}\}$$

Sorting and connecting the different labels immediately gives figure 2

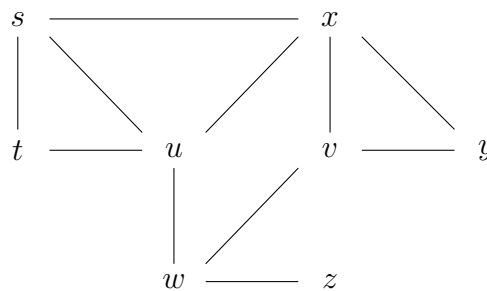


Figure 2

- 18 For $A = \{v, w, x, y, z\}$, each of the following is the $(0, 1)$ -matrix for a relation \mathcal{R} on A . Here the rows and the columns are indexed in the order v, w, x, y, z . Determine the relation $\mathcal{R} \subset A \times A$ in each case, and draw the undirected graph G associated with \mathcal{R}

a) $M(\mathcal{R}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\mathcal{R} = \{(v, w), (v, x), (w, v), (w, x), (w, y), (w, z), (x, z), (y, z)\}$$

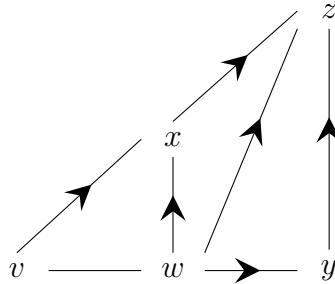


Figure 3

b) $M(\mathcal{R}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\mathcal{R} = \{(v, w), (v, x), (v, y), (w, v), (w, x), (x, v), (x, w), (x, z), (y, v), (y, z), (z, x), (z, y)\}$$

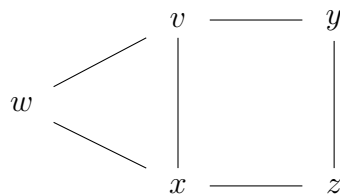


Figure 4