Chapter 3 Functions, Sequences, and Relations 函数、序列、和关系

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Definition 3.1.21 A function f from X to Y is said to be **one-to-one (or injective)** (单射的) if **for all** x_1 , $x_2 \in X$, **if** $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ **then** $x_1 = x_2$.

Definition 3.1.29 A function f from X to Y is said to be **onto** Y (or **surjective**) (满射的) if **for every** $y \in Y$, **there exists** $x \in X$ **such that** f(x) = y.

Definition 3.1.35 A function that is **both one-to-one and onto** is called a **bijection (**双射**)**.

Pigeonhole Principle (First Form)

If n pigeons fly into k pigeonholes and k < n, some pigeonhole contains at least two pigeons.

Pigeonhole Principle (Second Form)

If f is a function from a finite set X to a finite set Y and |X| > |Y|, then $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ for some $x_1, x_2 \in X, x_1 \neq x_2$.

A function from a larger set to a smaller set cannot be injective.

(There must be at least two elements in the domain that have the same image in the codomain.)

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Proof. The number of friends of a person x is an integer k with $0 \le k \le n-1$. If there is a person y whose number of friends is n-1, then everyone is a friend of y, that is, no one has 0 friend. This means that 0 and n-1 can not be simultaneously the numbers of friends of some people in the group. The pigeonhole principle tells us that there are at least two people having the same number of friends.

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Proof. Consider the n integers

$$a_1$$
, $a_1 + a_2$, $a_1 + a_2 + a_3$, ..., $a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_n$.

Dividing these integers by n, we have

$$a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_i = q_i n + r_i, \quad 0 \le r_i \le n - 1, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

If one of the remainders r_1, r_2, \ldots, r_n is zero, say, $r_k = 0$, then $a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_k$ is a multiple of n. If none of r_1, r_2, \ldots, r_n is zero, then two of them must the same (since $1 \le r_i \le n - 1$ for all i), say, $r_k = r_l$ with k < l. This means that the two integers $a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_k$ and $a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_l$ have the same remainder. Thus $a_{k+1} + a_{k+2} + \cdots + a_l$ is a multiple of n.

3.2 Sequences and Strings 序列和串

Definition 3.2.1 A sequence (序列) s is a function whose domain D is a subset of integers.

The notation s_n is typically used instead of the more general function notation s(n). The term n is called the **index(**下标**)** of the sequence.

If D is a finite set, we call s a finite sequence (有限序列); otherwise, s is an infinite sequence (无限序列).

Important Types of Sequences

⋙ Increasing Sequences (递增序列)

A sequence s is increasing if for all i and j in the domain of s,

if i < j, then $s_i < s_j$.

∞ Decreasing Sequences (递减序列)

A sequence s is decreasing if for all i and j in the domain of s,

if i < j, then $s_i > s_j$.

∞ Nonincreasing Sequences (非增序列)

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• The **length** (长度) of a string α is the number of elements in α . The length of α is denoted $|\alpha|$.

Example 3.2.26 If $\alpha = aabab$ and $\beta = a^3b^4a^{32}$, then $|\alpha| = 5$ and $|\beta| = 39$.

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- (a) The domain of f is equal to X.
- (b) For each $x \in X$, there is exactly one $y \in Y$ such that $(x, y) \in f$.

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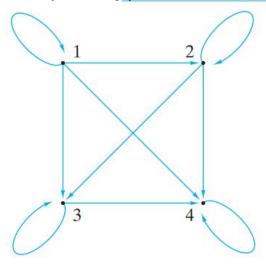
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A relation on a set X is a subset of $X \times X$. How many elements are in $X \times X$? There are n^2 elements in $X \times X$, so how many subsets (= relations on X) does $X \times X$ have? Therefore, 2^{n^2} subsets can be formed out of $X \times X$.

Answer: We can define 2^{n^2} different relations on X.

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$$R = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c)\} \text{ on } X = \{a, b, c\}.$$

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Exercise Give examples of relations on $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ having the properties specified as follows.

- (a) Reflexive, symmetric, and not transitive
- (b) Reflexive, not symmetric, and not transitive
- (c) Reflexive, antisymmetric, and not transitive
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If
$$\{x, y\}$$
, $\{y, z\} \in R \cap S$, then $\{x, z\} \in R \cap S$.

(3) $R \circ S$

$$R = \{(5, 2), (6, 3)\}, S = \{(1, 5), (2, 6)\}, R \circ S = \{(1, 2), (2, 3)\}.$$

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Example Suppose that R is the relation on the set of strings that consist of English letters such that aRb if and only if l(a) = l(b), where l(x) is the length of the string x. Is R an equivalence relation?

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Obviously, these three properties are necessary for a reasonable definition of equivalence.

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Example 3.4.2 Consider the partition $S = \{\{1, 3, 5\}, \{2, 6\}, \{4\}\}\}$ of $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$. The relation R on X is given by Theorem 3.4.1. Then $R = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$.

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Example Consider the relation $R = \{(1, 1), (1, 3), (1, 5), (2, 2), (2, 4), (3, 1), (3, 3), (3, 5), (4, 2), (4, 4), (5, 1), (5, 3), (5, 5)\}$ on $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. Is it an equivalence relation?

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Theorem 3.4.16 Let R be an equivalence relation on a finite set X. If each equivalence class has r elements, there are |X|/r equivalence classes.

The matrix of the relation R from X to Y

Lable the rows with the elements of X (in some arbitrary order), and label the columns with the elements of Y (again, in some arbitrary order). Set the entry in row x and column y to 1 if xRy and to 0 otherwise.

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A relation on a set

- reflexive 自反的
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- antisymmetric 反对称的
- transitive 传递的

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The matrix of R_1 relative to the orderings 1, 2, 3 and a, b is $A_1 = ?$

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 $A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} x & y & z \\ a & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

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$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x \quad y \quad z$$

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Theorem 3.5.6 Let R_1 be a relation from X to Y and let R_2 be a relation from Y to Z. Choose orderings of X, Y, and Z. Let A_1 be the matrix of R_1 and let A_1 be the matrix of R_2 with respect to the orderings selected. The matrix of the relation $R_2 \circ R_1$ with respect to the orderings selected is obtained by replacing each nonzero term in the matrix product A_1A_2 by 1.

$$A_{1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad A_{2} = \frac{a}{b} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad A_{1}A_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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