

Discrete Math (Honor) 2021-Fall Homework-6

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(Please use A4 paper. Do not use exercise book!)

Problem 1. (5 Points)

Write $\langle a, \langle b, c \rangle, d \rangle$ by set representation, e.g., $\langle a, b \rangle = \{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$.

Answer: $\langle a, \langle b, c \rangle, d \rangle$
= $\{\{\langle a, \langle b, c \rangle \rangle\}, \{\langle a, \langle b, c \rangle, d \rangle\}\}$
= $\{\{\{\{a\}, \{a, \langle b, c \rangle\}\}, \{\{\{a\}, \{a, \langle b, c \rangle\}\}, d\}\}$
= $\{\{\{\{a\}, \{a, \{\{b\}, \{b, c\}\}\}\}, \{\{\{a\}, \{a, \{\{b\}, \{b, c\}\}\}, d\}\}$

Problem 2. (8 Points)

Let $R = \{\langle \emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} \rangle, \langle \{\emptyset\}, \emptyset \rangle\}$ be a relation. Determine each of the followings.

1. $R \circ R$ 2. R^{-1} 3. $R \upharpoonright \emptyset$ 4. $R \upharpoonright \{\emptyset\}$ 5. $R \upharpoonright \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$ 6. $R[\emptyset]$ 7. $R[\{\emptyset\}]$ 8. $R[\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}]$

Answer:

1. = $\{\langle \{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} \rangle\}$
2. = $\{\langle \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}, \emptyset \rangle, \langle \{\emptyset\}, \emptyset \rangle\}$
3. = \emptyset
4. = $\{\langle \emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} \rangle\}$
5. = $R, \{\langle \emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} \rangle, \langle \{\emptyset\}, \emptyset \rangle\}$
6. = \emptyset
7. = $\{\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}$
8. = $\{\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}, \emptyset\}$

Problem 3. (8 Points)

Let $A = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $R_1 = \{\langle a, a \rangle, \langle a, b \rangle, \langle b, d \rangle\} \subseteq A \times A$ and $R_2 = \{\langle a, d \rangle, \langle b, c \rangle, \langle b, d \rangle, \langle c, b \rangle\} \subseteq A \times A$. Draw the relation graph for each of the following relations.

1. $R_1 \circ R_2$ 2. $R_2 \circ R_1$ 3. $R_1 \circ R_1$ 4. $R_2 \circ R_2$

Answer: Just draw...

1. = $\{\langle c, d \rangle\}$
2. = $\{\langle a, d \rangle, \langle a, c \rangle\}$
3. = $\{\langle a, a \rangle, \langle a, b \rangle, \langle a, d \rangle\}$
4. = $\{\langle b, b \rangle, \langle c, c \rangle, \langle c, d \rangle\}$

Problem 4. (8 Points)

Let $A = \{a, b, c\}$ be a set.

1. Provide a relation $R \subseteq A \times A$ that is symmetric, anti-symmetric and transitive.
2. Provide a relation $R \subseteq A \times A$ that is not symmetric, not anti-symmetric and transitive.

Answer:

1. $R = \{ \langle a, a \rangle \}$
2. $R = \{ \langle a, a \rangle, \langle a, b \rangle, \langle b, a \rangle, \langle b, b \rangle, \langle b, c \rangle, \langle a, c \rangle \}$

Problem 5. (12 Points)

Let $A = \{1, 2, \dots, 10\}$ be a set. Determine if each of the following relations is reflexive, irreflexive, symmetric, anti-symmetric or transitive. (You do not need to write down each relation explicitly)

1. $R_1 = \{ \langle x, y \rangle : x + y = 10 \}$
2. $R_2 = \{ \langle x, y \rangle : x + y \text{ is odd} \}$
3. $R_3 = \{ \langle x, y \rangle : x + y \text{ is even} \}$

Answer:

1. not reflexive, not in-reflexive, symmetric, not anti-symmetric, not transitive
2. not reflexive, in-reflexive, symmetric, not anti-symmetric, not transitive
3. reflexive, not in-reflexive, symmetric, not anti-symmetric, transitive

Problem 6. (15 Points)

For any relation $R \subseteq A \times A$, $R^n \subseteq A \times A$ is a new relation on A defined inductively by

$$R^0 := I_A, \text{ and for any } k \geq 0, \text{ we have } R^{k+1} := R^k \circ R$$

Then answer the following questions:

1. Let $A = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $R = \{ \langle a, b \rangle, \langle b, c \rangle, \langle c, b \rangle, \langle c, d \rangle \} \subseteq A \times A$. Compute R^2, R^3 and R^4 . (You can show your result by relation graph)
2. Prove that $R^m \circ R^n = R^{m+n}$ for any n and m .
3. Prove that, if R is symmetric, then R^n is also symmetric for any n .

Answer:

1.

$$R^2 = \{ \langle a, c \rangle, \langle b, b \rangle, \langle b, d \rangle, \langle c, c \rangle \}$$

$$R^3 = \{ \langle a, b \rangle, \langle a, d \rangle, \langle b, c \rangle, \langle c, b \rangle, \langle c, d \rangle \}$$

$$R^4 = \{ \langle a, c \rangle, \langle b, b \rangle, \langle b, d \rangle, \langle c, c \rangle \}$$

2.

You should use mathematical induction Induction on n :

i. Base Step ($n=0$):

$$R^m \circ R^0 = R^m \text{ (details omitted)}$$

ii. Induction Step (suppose it was found when $n = k$, consider $n = k + 1$):

$$R^m \circ R^{k+1} = R^m \circ (R^k \circ R^1) = (R^m \circ R^k) \circ R^1 = (R^{m+k}) \circ R^1 = R^{m+k+1}$$

3.

You should use mathematical induction Induction on n :

i. Base Step ($n=0$):

R^0 is symmetric (obviously) ii. Induction Step ($n=k+1$):

For any $\langle x, y \rangle \in R^{k+1} = R^k \circ R$,

$$\exists z, \langle x, z \rangle \in R^k \wedge \langle z, y \rangle \in R$$

Then $\exists z, \langle z, x \rangle \in R^k \wedge \langle y, z \rangle \in R$

$$\text{Then } \langle y, x \rangle \in R \circ R^k = R^{1+k} = R^{k+1}$$

Problem 7. (15 Points)

Let $R = A \times A$ be a relation on A . Prove the followings formally:

1. R is reflexive if and only if $I_A \subseteq R$.
2. R is irreflexive if and only if $I_A \cap R = \emptyset$.
3. R is transitive if and only if $R \circ R \subseteq R$.

Answer:

1. if R is reflexive, then for any $\langle x, x \rangle \in I_A, \langle x, x \rangle \in R$;
if $I_A \subseteq R$, then for any $x \in A, \langle x, x \rangle \in I_A$, so $\langle x, x \rangle \in R$

2. if R is irreflexive, then suppose any $\langle x, x \rangle \in I_A \cap R$, then $\langle x, x \rangle \in R$, which is impossible;
if $I_A \cap R = \emptyset$, then suppose $\langle x, x \rangle \in R$, since $\langle x, x \rangle \in I_A, \langle x, x \rangle \in I_A \cap R$, which is impossible;

3. if R is transitive, then for any $\langle x, y \rangle \in R \circ R, \exists z, \langle x, z \rangle \in R \wedge \langle z, y \rangle \in R$
Then $\langle x, y \rangle \in R$;
if $R \circ R \subseteq R$, then for any $\langle x, y \rangle, \langle y, z \rangle \in R, \langle x, z \rangle \in R \circ R$. Therefore, $\langle x, z \rangle \in R$