

# Assignment 5

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Q1. let a relation R on a set A be antisymmetric. then if  $(a,b) \in R$  and  $(b,a) \in R$  implies  $a=b$  for  $\forall a,b \in R$   
prove by contradiction :

let S be a subset of the antisymmetric relation R  
 $\Rightarrow S \subseteq R$ , assume that S is not antisymmetric,  
 that is  $\exists (x,y) \in S \wedge (y,x) \in S \wedge x \neq y$ .  $x,y \in A$   
 then for  $S \subseteq R \Rightarrow \exists (x,y) \in R \wedge (y,x) \in R \wedge x \neq y$ ,  $x,y \in A$   
 leading to contradiction that A is antisymmetric  
 Therefore, the proposition holds.

Q2. (1) Yes , for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x-x=0$  is rational  
 $\Rightarrow (x,x) \in R$  for  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow$  reflexive  
 (2) Yes, if  $(x,y) \in R$  for  $x,y \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $x-y$  is rational  
 $y-x$  is also rational  $\Rightarrow (y,x) \in R \Rightarrow$  symmetric  
 (3) No , let  $x=2, y=1$   $(x,y) \in R, (y,x) \in R$   
 but  $x \neq y$   
 (4) Yes , if  $(x,y) \in R$  and  $(y,z) \in R$  for  $x,y,z \in \mathbb{R}$   
 then let  $x-y=a, y-z=b$  a, b rational  
 then  $x-z = a+b$  rational  $\Rightarrow (x,z) \in R \Rightarrow$  transitive

Q3. (a)  $2^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}$  (b)  $2^n \cdot 3^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}$  (c)  $2^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}$   
 (d)  $2^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}$  (e)  $2^{n^2} - 2^{n^2-n+1}$  (f)  $3^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}$

(g)  $2^n$

Q4. if  $R$  is symmetric, if  $(x,y) \in R$  then  $(y,x) \in R$  for  $\forall x,y$  in set.

The transitive closure  $R^*$  is formed by adding pairs to  $R$  so that transitivity is satisfied. If  $(a,b) \in R^*$ ,  $(b,c) \in R^*$ , then  $(a,c) \in R^*$ .

① Base case:  $R \subseteq R^*$ .  $R$  is symmetric, all pairs  $(a,b) \in R$  satisfy  $(b,a) \in R$ . Then, it's symmetric over pairs in  $R$ .

② induction: Assume  $R' = R \cup R' \cup \dots \cup R'^k$ , which means  $R'$  contains all pairs that there is a path from two elements and the path length  $\leq k$ . And assume  $R'$  is symmetric.

Then we try to prove  $R^{k+1}$  is symmetric.

if  $R^{k+1} = \emptyset$  we're done.

if  $R^{k+1} \neq \emptyset$  all pairs in  $R^{k+1}$  can be constructed by pairs in  $R'$  then if  $(a,b) \in R^{k+1}$ , we can find  $(a,c) \in R'$  and  $(c,b) \in R'$  for  $R'$  symmetric  $\Rightarrow (c,a) \in R'$  and  $(b,c) \in R'$   
 $\Rightarrow (b,a) \in R^{k+1}$  and total path length keeps ( $k+1$ )

So  $R^{k+1}$  symmetric and thus  $R' \cup R^{k+1}$  symmetric

③ conclusion: for base case and induction, we have  $R^*$  symmetric

Q5. Not true, counter example

$$R = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (1,2), (2,1), (2,3), (3,2)\}$$

but  $R$  is not transitive, for  $(1,2) \in R$ ,  $(2,3) \in R$

but  $(1,3) \notin R$

Q6. R is reflexive  $\Rightarrow$  for  $\forall a \in A, (a,a) \in R$

$R^2$  contain all pairs of  $(a,c)$  that  $(a,b) \in R$  and  $(b,c) \in R$

let  $(x,y)$  be an arbitrary pair on set A that  $(x,y) \in R$   
then we prove that  $(x,y) \in R^2$ .

① if  $x=y \Rightarrow (x,x) \in R$  and  $(x,x) \in R$ , then  $(x,x) \in R^2$

② if  $x \neq y \Rightarrow (x,y) \in R$  and  $(y,y) \in R$ , then  $(x,y) \in R^2$

$\Rightarrow (x,y) \in R^2$  for  $\forall (x,y) \in R$

the proposition holds.

Q7. (1) transitive

prove by contradiction, assume that  $R \cap S$  is not transitive  
then we have  $(a,b) \in R \cap S$ ,  $(b,c) \in R \cap S$ , and  $(a,c) \notin R \cap S$   
for some  $a,b,c \in A$ .

Then we have  $(a,b) \in R$ ,  $(a,b) \in S$ ;  $(b,c) \in R$ ,  $(b,c) \in S$

for  $R, S$  transitive  $\Rightarrow (a,c) \in R$ ,  $(a,c) \in S \Rightarrow (a,c) \in R \cap S$   
which leads to contradiction. Thus  $R \cap S$  transitive.

(2) No

$$R = \{(1,2), (2,3), (1,3)\}; \text{ and } R \cup S = \{(1,2), (2,3), (1,3), (3,4), (2,4)\},$$
$$S = \{(2,3), (3,4), (2,4)\}$$

$(1,3) \in R \cup S$ ,  $(3,4) \in R \cup S$  but  $(1,4) \notin R \cup S$

$\Rightarrow$  not transitive

(3) No  $R = \{(a,b), (b,c)\}; S = \{(b,c), (c,a)\}$

$$R \circ S = \{(a,c)\}, (b,a)\} \text{ but } (b,c) \notin R \circ S$$

$\Rightarrow$  not transitive

$$Q8 (1) A = \{1, 2, 3\}, R = \{(1, 2), (3, 3)\}$$

transitive closure of the symmetric closure of  $R$ :  
 $\{(1, 2), (3, 3), (2, 1), (1, 1)\}$

symmetric closure of the transitive closure of  $R$ :  
 $\{(1, 2), (3, 3), (2, 1)\}$

Not equal

(2) let  $(a, b) \in (R^T)^S$ , then  $(a, b) \in R^T$  or  $(b, a) \in R^T$

① if  $(a, b) \in R^T$ , then  $\{(a, x_1), (x_1, x_2), \dots (x_n, b)\} \in R$ ,  $R \subseteq R^S$   
then  $\{(a, x_1), (x_1, x_2), \dots (x_n, b)\} \in R^S$  then  $(a, b) \in (R^S)^T$

② if  $(b, a) \in R^T$ , then  $\{(b, y_1), (y_1, y_2), \dots (y_n, a)\} \in R$ ,  $R \subseteq R^S$   
then  $\{(a, y_1), (y_1, y_2), \dots (y_n, b)\} \in R^S$ , then  $(a, b) \in (R^S)^T$

$\Rightarrow$  Therefore, if  $(a, b) \in (R^T)^S$ , there must be  $(a, b) \in (R^S)^T$   
 $\Rightarrow (R^T)^S \subseteq (R^S)^T$

Q9. (1) prove reflexive, symmetric, transitive

reflexive:  $\forall m \in \mathbb{Z}, m^2 - m^2 = 0 \quad 3 \mid m^2 - m^2 \Rightarrow (m, m) \in R$

symmetric: if  $\frac{m, n \in \mathbb{Z}}{(m, n) \in R}$  then  $3 \mid m^2 - n^2 \Rightarrow 3 \mid (-1)(m^2 - n^2)$   
 $\Rightarrow 3 \mid n^2 - m^2 \Rightarrow (n, m) \in R$

transitive: if  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}, (x, y) \in R, (y, z) \in R \Rightarrow 3 \mid x^2 - y^2, 3 \mid y^2 - z^2$   
 $\Rightarrow 3 \mid (x^2 - y^2) + (y^2 - z^2) \Rightarrow 3 \mid x^2 - z^2 \Rightarrow (x, z) \in R$

$\Rightarrow R$  is equivalence relationship

(2)  $[n]_R = \{n : (m, n) \in R\}$

$3 \mid m^2 - n^2$  when  $n=0 \quad m^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \quad m=3k$

when  $n=1 \quad m^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \quad m=3k+1$  or  $3k+2$

when  $n=2 \quad m^2 \equiv 4 \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \quad m=3k+1$  or  $3k+2$

$\Rightarrow [0] = \{n | n=3k, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}; [1] = \{n | n=3k+1 \text{ or } n=3k+2, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

Q10. prove reflexive, symmetric, transitive.

reflexive: for  $A \subseteq S$ ,  $(A \cup A) \setminus (A \cap A) = \emptyset \subseteq T$   
 $\Rightarrow (A, A) \in R$

symmetric: for  $A, B \subseteq S$  if  $(A, B) \in R$  then  $(A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B) \subseteq T$   
 $B \cup A = A \cup B$ ,  $B \cap A = A \cap B \Rightarrow (B \cup A) \setminus (B \cap A) = (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B) \subseteq T$   
 $\Rightarrow (B, A) \in R$

transitive: for  $A, B, C \subseteq S$ , if  $(A, B) \in R$ ,  $(B, C) \in R$   
then  $(A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B) \subseteq T$ ,  $(B \cup C) \setminus (B \cap C) \subseteq T$   
And we need to prove that  $(A \cup C) \setminus (A \cap C) \subseteq T$   
prove by contradiction: assume that  $\exists x \in S$ ,  $x \in (A \cup C) \setminus (A \cap C)$   
and  $x \notin T$ , then  $x \in (A \cup C)$  and  $x \notin (A \cap C)$

① if  $x \in A$  and  $x \notin C$

i. if  $x \in B$  then  $x \in (B \cup C)$  and  $x \notin (B \cap C)$

$\Rightarrow x \in (B \cup C) \setminus (B \cap C)$ ,  $(B \cup C) \setminus (B \cap C) \subseteq T$

$\Rightarrow x \in T$ . leading to contradiction

ii. if  $x \notin B$  then  $x \in (A \cup B)$  and  $x \notin (A \cap B)$

$\Rightarrow x \in (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B)$ ,  $(A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B) \subseteq T$

$\Rightarrow x \in T$ , leading to contradiction

② if  $x \in C$  and  $x \notin A$

i. if  $x \in B$  it's similar to ①

ii. if  $x \notin B$

in conclusion,  $\forall x \in S$ ,  $x \in (A \cup C) \setminus (A \cap C)$  then  $x \in T$

$\Rightarrow (A \cup C) \setminus (A \cap C) \subseteq T \Rightarrow (A, C) \in R$

$\Rightarrow$  in conclusion,  $R$  is equivalence relation.

Q11. prove reflexive, symmetric, transitive

reflexive : for  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ . then  $a+b=a+b \Rightarrow (a, b) R (a, b)$

Symmetric : for  $(a, b), (c, d) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $(a, b) R (c, d)$   
then  $a+d=b+c \Rightarrow c+b=d+a \Rightarrow (c, d) R (a, b)$

transitive : for  $(a, b), (c, d), (e, f) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $(a, b) R (c, d)$ ,  
 $(c, d) R (e, f)$  then  $a+d=b+c, c+f=d+e$

then  $a+d+c+f = b+c+d+e \Rightarrow a+f=b+e \Rightarrow (a, b) R (e, f)$

Q12. prove reflexive, symmetric, transitive

reflexive : for  $x \in N$   $x=2^0x \Rightarrow x \sim x$

Symmetric : for  $x, y \in N$  if  $x \sim y$  then  $x=2^k y$   $k \in N$  or  
 $y=2^k x$   $k \in N$

if  $x=2^k y$   $y \sim x$ ; if  $y=2^k x$   $y \sim x$

$\Rightarrow y \sim x$

transitive : for  $x, y, z \in N$ ,  $x \sim y$ ,  $y \sim z$

prove by case

① if  $x=2^{k_1} y$ ,  $k_1 \in N$

i.  $y=2^{k_2} z$ ,  $k_2 \in N$  then  $x=2^{k_1+k_2} z$ ,  $k_1+k_2 \in N \Rightarrow x \sim z$

ii.  $z=2^{k_2} y$ ,  $k_2 \in N \Rightarrow \frac{x}{z}=2^{k_1-k_2} \Rightarrow x=2^{k_1-k_2} z$

if  $k_1 \geq k_2$  then  $k_1-k_2 \in N \Rightarrow x \sim z$

if  $k_1 < k_2$  then  $z=2^{k_2-k_1} x$   $k_2-k_1 \in N \Rightarrow x \sim z$

② if  $y=2^{k_1} x$ ,  $k_1 \in N$

i.  $y=2^{k_2} z$ ,  $k_2 \in N \Rightarrow y=2^{k_1+k_2} x \Rightarrow z=2^{k_1-k_2} x$

if  $k_1 \geq k_2$  then  $k_1-k_2 \in N \Rightarrow x \sim z$

if  $k_1 < k_2$  then  $x=2^{k_2-k_1} z$   $k_2-k_1 \in N \Rightarrow x \sim z$

ii.  $z=2^{k_2} y$ ,  $k_2 \in N \Rightarrow z=2^{k_1+k_2} x$   $k_1+k_2 \in N$

$\Rightarrow x \sim z$

$\Rightarrow$  in any case,  $\chi \sim \Sigma$   
in conclusion  $\sim$  is equivalence relation.

Q13. (a) yes (b) no (c) yes (d) no

Q14. (a) No , let  $f(n)=n$   $g(n)=12^2$

then  $f=O(g)$  and  $g \neq O(f) \Rightarrow f \subset g$ , but  $g$  not  $\subset f$   
(not symmetric)

(b) No let  $f(n)=n$   $g(n)=2n$

then  $f=O(g)$  and  $g=O(f) \Rightarrow f \subset g$ ,  $g \subset f$   
but  $f \neq g$  (not antisymmetric)

(c) No ,  $\subset$  is not partial ordering , then it can't be total  
ordering .

Q15. (1) prove reflexive, antisymmetric, transitive

reflexive : for  $(a,b,c) \in X$  ,  $2^{a_1} 3^{b_1} 5^{c_1} \leq 2^{a_1} 3^{b_1} 5^{c_1} \Rightarrow (a_1, b_1, c_1) R (a_1, b_1, c_1)$

antisymmetric : for  $(a_1, b_1, c_1), (a_2, b_2, c_2) \in X$ . if  $(a_1, b_1, c_1) R (a_2, b_2, c_2)$   
and  $(a_2, b_2, c_2) R (a_1, b_1, c_1)$  then  $2^{a_1} 3^{b_1} 5^{c_1} \leq 2^{a_2} 3^{b_2} 5^{c_2}$  and  $2^{a_2} 3^{b_2} 5^{c_2} \leq 2^{a_1} 3^{b_1} 5^{c_1}$   
 $\Rightarrow 2^{a_1} 3^{b_1} 5^{c_1} = 2^{a_2} 3^{b_2} 5^{c_2} \Rightarrow 2^{a_1-a_2} 3^{b_1-b_2} 5^{c_1-c_2} = 1$  and  $a_1=a_2, b_1=b_2, c_1=c_2$   
 $\in N$

$\Rightarrow a_1=a_2, b_1=b_2, c_1=c_2$  then  $(a_1, b_1, c_1) = (a_2, b_2, c_2)$

transitive : for  $(a_1, b_1, c_1), (a_2, b_2, c_2), (a_3, b_3, c_3) \in X$

$(a_1, b_1, c_1) R (a_2, b_2, c_2), (a_2, b_2, c_2) R (a_3, b_3, c_3)$

then  $2^{a_1} 3^{b_1} 5^{c_1} \leq 2^{a_2} 3^{b_2} 5^{c_2} \leq 2^{a_3} 3^{b_3} 5^{c_3} \Rightarrow (a_1, b_1, c_1) R (a_3, b_3, c_3)$

in conclusion ,  $R$  is partial ordering

(2) all elements are comparable , for example  $(0,0,0) R (1,1,1)$   
no incomparable elements .

(3)  $2^5 \cdot 3^0 \cdot 5^1 = 160$  ,  $2^1 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 5^2 = 150$  (4) minimal element  $(0,0,0)$

no maximal element

least upper bound  $(5,0,1)$

greatest lower bound  $(1,1,2)$

Q1b. (1) prove reflexive, antisymmetric, transitive

reflexive : for  $(a,b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $(a,b) = (a,b) \Rightarrow (a,b) \leq (a,b)$

antisymmetric : for  $(a,b), (c,d) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $(a,b) \leq (c,d)$  and  $(c,d) \leq (a,b)$

①  $a^2+b^2 < c^2+d^2$  and  $c^2+d^2 < a^2+b^2 \Rightarrow$  contradicted

②  $(a,b) = (c,d)$  it holds

$\Rightarrow$  then there must exist  $(a,b) = (c,d)$

transitive : for  $(a,b), (c,d), (e,f) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $(a,b) \leq (c,d)$

and  $(c,d) \leq (e,f)$

$\Rightarrow (a,b) = (c,d)$  or  $a^2+b^2 \leq c^2+d^2$  and  $(c,d) = (e,f)$  or  $c^2+d^2 \leq e^2+f^2$

if satisfy ①③ :  $\Rightarrow (a,b) = (c,d) = (e,f) \Rightarrow (a,b) \leq (e,f)$

if satisfy ①④ :  $(a,b) = (c,d) \quad a^2+b^2 = c^2+d^2 \leq e^2+f^2 \Rightarrow (a,b) \leq (e,f)$

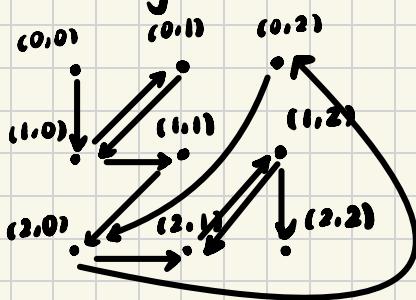
if satisfy ②③ :  $(c,d) = (e,f) \quad a^2+b^2 < c^2+d^2 = e^2+f^2 \Rightarrow (a,b) \leq (e,f)$

if satisfy ②④ :  $a^2+b^2 < c^2+d^2 < e^2+f^2 \Rightarrow (a,b) \leq (e,f)$

$\Rightarrow (a,b) \leq (e,f)$

in conclusion :  $(\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}, \leq)$  is poset

Hasse diagram :



Q17. (a) true , let  $R = \{(0,0), (0,1), (0,1,2), \dots\}$ , for any set  $\{0,1,2, \dots k\}$  there exists  $\{0,1,2, \dots k, k+1\} \not\subseteq R$ , that  $\{0,1,2, \dots k\} \subseteq \{0,1,2, \dots k+1\}$

$\Rightarrow$  no maximal element

(b) false , choose the subset  $B$  with minimal elements , then there doesn't exist any set  $S \subseteq R$ , that  $S \not\subseteq B$ .

(c) false , for minimal element must exist

- Q18. (1) 24, 45 (2) 3, 5 (3) no , 24 > 45 (4) no , 3 > 5  
(5) 15, 45 (6) 15 (7) 3, 5, 15 (8) 15