

MAT1830 - Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science Tutorial Sheet #6 and Additional Practice Questions

Tutorial Questions

1. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$.
 - (a) Make up a relation on X which is reflexive and transitive but is not symmetric and is not antisymmetric. Draw its arrow diagram.
 - (b) Make up a relation on X which is symmetric but is not reflexive and is not transitive. Draw its arrow diagram.
 - (c) Make up an equivalence relation on X . Draw its arrow diagram.
2. Let S and T be binary relations defined as follows.
 - S is defined on $\mathcal{P}(\{1, 2, 3, 4\}) - \{\emptyset\}$ by ASB if and only if $\min(A) = \min(B)$ (where $\min(A)$ means the smallest element of the nonempty set A).
 - T is defined on the set of finite binary strings by cTd if and only if $c = d$ or c can be obtained from d by deleting some bits (for example 0, 1, 01, 10 and 11 can all be obtained from 101).For each relation S and T , state whether the relation is reflexive, symmetric, antisymmetric and transitive, and explain why in each case.
3. State which (if any) of S and T are equivalence relations and which (if any) are partial order relations. For those that are equivalence relations, describe the equivalence classes. For those that are partial order relations, state whether they are total order relations and whether they are well-order relations, and explain why.
4. Let Q, R, S and T be relations on $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$.
 - (a) If $3Q4$ and $4Q3$, can Q be reflexive? symmetric? antisymmetric? transitive?
 - (b) If $1R2$, $2R1$ and $1 \not R 1$, can R be reflexive? symmetric? antisymmetric? transitive?
 - (c) Suppose S is antisymmetric and transitive. If $5S6$, $6S7$ and $6S8$, then what else can we definitely say about S ?
 - (d) If $7T8$, $8T4$ and $4T7$ can T be both transitive and antisymmetric? Can it be an equivalence relation?

(See over for practice questions.)

Practice Questions

1. For the following (informally defined) relations on the set of all people in Australia, decide whether they are reflexive, symmetric, antisymmetric and transitive. If they are equivalence relations find their equivalence classes and if they are partial order relations find whether they are total order relations and well-order relations.
 - (a) x is related to y if and only if x has shaken hands with y .
 - (b) x is related to y if and only if x is a (biological) ancestor of y .
 - (c) x is related to y if and only if x and y were born in the same month.
 - (d) x is related to y if and only if x has ever beaten y at chess.
2. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$.
 - (a) How many possible relations are there on X ?
 - (b) How many of these are reflexive?
 - (c) How many of these are reflexive and symmetric?
 - (d) How many of these are equivalence relations?
 - (e) What would the answers to (a), (b) and (c) be if $|X| = n$ instead of $|X| = 4$?
3. Let A and B be sets such that $A \cap B = \emptyset$. Suppose R is a well-order relation on A and S is a well-order relation on B .
 - (a) Can you find a well-order relation on the set $A \cup B$?
 - (b) Can you find a well-order relation on the set $A \times B$?

R S A T

- reflective
- symmetry
- anti-reflexive
- transitive

ASA for all a

↳ reflection for all a elements
(or relation...)

symmetry

e.g. sym: $a \text{ Lb} \rightarrow b \text{ L } a$

transitive

e.g. $a \text{ Lb} \wedge b \text{ Lc} \rightarrow a \text{ Lc}$

" a same colour shirt as b " " b same colour shirt as c " HENCE, OFC
"a wear same colour shirt as b " "as b " "as c " a wear same colour shirt as c

AS: Antisymmetry

$a \text{ Lb} \wedge b \text{ Lc} \rightarrow a \text{ Lc}$

" a same colour shirt as b " " b same colour shirt as c "

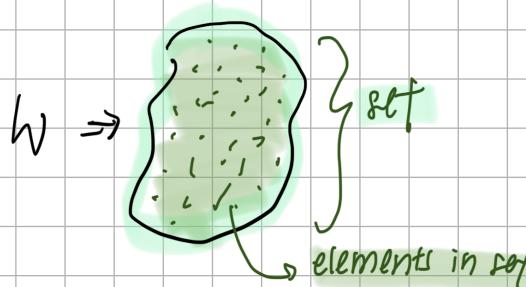
IT doesn't mean that $a \& b$ is the same guy, they just wear the same colour shirt only

R S T \Rightarrow Equivalence (CC)

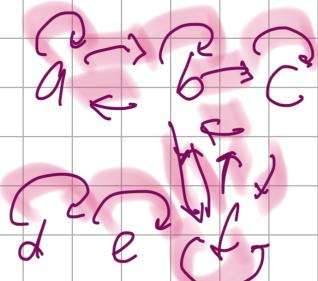
R A T \Rightarrow Partial

W: $x R y$

x related to y
if and only if x and y ... (condition)



Q/A Q y a never



1) Let $X = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$

(a) R ✓ relation \exists ✓ want

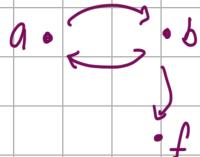
T ✓ transitive \exists leave till last! most complicated TnT

AS X antisymmetrical \exists X want

S X symmetric

fail symmetry

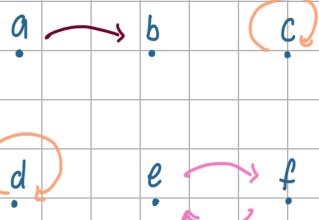
e.g.



* symmetrical need both

forward & backward

where...



if only $a \rightarrow b$
or $a \leftarrow b$

then it's not symmetrical

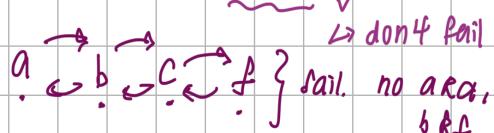
I fail = fail!

\hookrightarrow have aRb / bRa
but no bRa / aRb

* Transitive

aRb but bRf

$aRb \wedge bRf \rightarrow aRf$



\hookrightarrow don't fail

If you want AS, you'll never have S

AS & S is mutually exclusive!

BUT! can don't have both AS & S

* antisymmetry need

only $a \rightarrow b$ or $a \leftarrow b$

but NOT $a \leftrightarrow b$ \exists back & forth

* Reflective

means all have loop like



if one don't have like



the still fail!

$[a] \Rightarrow$ write down equivalent class
where a is a member of
eg.

$$[a] = \{\{a, b\}, \{a\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$$

2) $S = P(\{1, 2, 3, 4\}) - \{\emptyset\}$ by ASB if and only if $\min(A) = \min(B)$

T = finite binary strings by CTd if and only if $c=d$ or deleting bits from d

- Reflexive ?
- Symmetric ?
- Transitive ?
- Antisymmetric ?

$A S A$ for all A ?
min of A is the min of A
so it's Reflexive

$$A S B \rightarrow B S_A$$

$\min(A) = \min(B)$ is the same as $\min(A) = \min(B)$
so it's symmetric

$$A S_B \wedge B S_C \xrightarrow{?} A S_C$$

- ① $\min(A) = \min(B)$
- ② $\min(B) = \min(C)$
- ③ so... $\min(A) = \min(C)$

AS: $A S_B \wedge B S_A \xrightarrow{?} A = B$
NOPE, so it's not AS

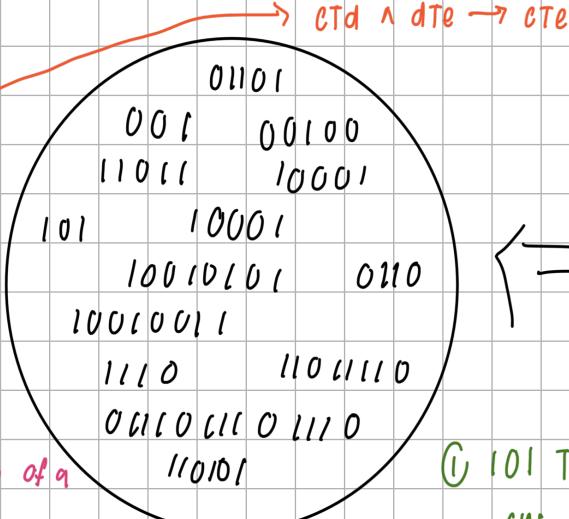
 HENCE... S have equivalence relation!

Reason ① = AS conditions is opposite of S

since this have S , AS would not be here

- Reflexive ?
- Symmetric ?
- Transitive ?
- Antisymmetric ?

$a = 101$
 $b = 11011$
 a is substring of 11011
but b is NOT a substring of a
 $\therefore b$ longer than a so yeah...



sets of finite binary string

AS: $CTd \wedge dTe \rightarrow c=c$

① $101 \in T \quad 11011$

cus can get 101 from 11011

$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{array}$

101 is substring of
 11011

② $001 \in T \quad 10001$

cus can get 001 from 10001

$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{array}$

001 is substring of
 10001

 HENCE... T have partial order

ORDER:

PARTIAL

R A T

$$a \xrightarrow{\quad} b$$

$$a \xleftarrow{\quad} b$$

$$a \qquad b$$

TOTAL

$$a \xrightarrow{\quad} b$$

$$a \xleftarrow{\quad} b$$

$$a \qquad b$$

WELL

$$a \qquad b$$

$$a \qquad b$$

$$a \qquad b$$

* any pair of members
can only have
 $a \rightarrow b$ or $a \leftarrow b$ only!

!! partial order
 $\{ x R y \text{ or } y R x \} !!$

$x \not\sim y \wedge$
 $y \not\sim x$

not related