

CS 230 : Discrete Computational Structures  
Spring Semester, 2021  
HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT #5  
Due Date: Monday, March 15

**Suggested Reading:** Rosen Sections 9.1 and 9.5; Lehman et al. Chapter 10.5, 10.6 and 10.10

For the problems below, explain your answers and show your reasoning.

1. [10 Pts] For each of these relations decide whether it is reflexive, anti-reflexive, symmetric, anti-symmetric and transitive. Justify your answers.  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are over the set of real numbers.

- (a)  $(x, y) \in R_1$  if and only if  $xy \geq 0$

Reflexive.  $a \in R$ ,  $a * a \geq 0$ .

Not Anti-Reflexive. it's reflexive.

Symmetric. Communitative property of multiplication,  $a, b \in R$ ,  $a * b = b * a$ ,  $ab$  is in the relation if and only if its equivalent expression  $ba$  is in the relation.

Not Anti-Symmetric. it's Symmetric

Transitive. for  $xy \geq 0$ ,  $x$  and  $y$  must be the same sign. for  $z \in R$ ,  $yz \geq 0$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  must be the same sign. Therefore,  $x$  and  $z$  have the same sign, so  $xz \geq 0$

- (b)  $(x, y) \in R_2$  if and only if  $x = 2y$

Not Reflexive.  $x \neq 2y$  if  $x = y \wedge x, y \neq 0$

Not Anti-Reflexive. Consider  $x = y = 0$

Not Symmetric. Consider  $x = 6$  and  $y = 3$ .  $(6, 3) \in R_2$ , but  $(3, 6) \notin R_2$

Anti-Symmetric.  $2x = y$  and  $2y = x$  cannot be both be true, that is, a non-zero number's half cannot be equal to it's double

Not Transitive. Suppose  $a = 4$ ,  $b = 2$ , and  $c = 1$ .  $(a, b)$  and  $(b, c)$  is in the relation. However,  $(a, c)$  gives  $4 = 2(1)$ .

2. [8 Pts] Let  $R_3$  be the relation on  $\mathcal{Z}^+ \times \mathcal{Z}^+$  where  $((a, b), (c, d)) \in R_3$  if and only if  $ad = bc$ .

- (a) Prove that  $R_3$  is an equivalence relation.

i. Reflexive:  $ab = ba \rightarrow (a, b)R(a, b)$  for all  $(a, b) \in Z \times Z$

ii. Symmetric:  $(a, b)R(c, d) \rightarrow ad = bc \rightarrow cb = da \rightarrow (c, d)R(a, b)$

iii. Transitive: Prove  $(a, b)R(c, d) \wedge (c, d)R(e, f) \rightarrow (a, b)R(e, f)$

$$ad = bc \wedge cf = de, c = \frac{de}{f}$$

$$ad = b * \frac{de}{f}$$

$$af = b * e \rightarrow (a, b)R(e, f)$$

- (b) Define a function  $f$  such that  $f(a, b) = f(c, d)$  if and only if  $((a, b), (c, d)) \in R_3$ .  
 $f(x, y) = \frac{x}{y}$

(c) Define the equivalence class containing  $(1, 1)$ .

$$[(1, 1)]_R = \{(a, b) \mid a = b, (a, b) \in Z \times Z\}$$

(d) Describe the equivalence classes. How many classes are there and how many elements in each class?

$$\forall (a, b) \in Z \times Z, [(a, b)]_R = \{(c, d) \mid ad = bc, (c, d) \in Z \times Z\}$$

There's a countably infinite no. of classes, because  $(a, b) \in Z \times Z$  is countably infinite.

Each class has an infinitely countable no. of elements, because  $(c, d) \in Z \times Z$  is countably infinite.

3. [8 Pts] Are these relations on the set of 5 digit numbers equivalence relations? If so, prove the properties satisfied, describe the equivalence classes and describe a new equivalence relation which is a refinement of the relation given. If not, describe which properties are violated.

(a)  $(a, b) \in R_4$  if and only if  $a$  and  $b$  start with the same two digits

- i. Reflexive: A number's first two digits are equal to it's doppleganger's two digits.
- ii. Symmetric: When the first two digits match, comparing them in reverse order doesn't change the match
- iii. Transitive: If number A's 2 digits match B's, and B matches C's, then A's digits = B's digits = C's digits.
- iv. Each class contains 1000 elements, with ab000-ab999,
- v. There are 100 equivalence classes, where the first two digits are 00-99
- vi. A refinement would be all five digits numbers with the same 3 first digits, with 1000 equivlance classes 000-999 and 100 elements per class

(b)  $(a, b) \in R_5$  if and only if  $a$  and  $b$  have the same  $k$ th digit, where  $k$  is a number from 1 to 5

- i. Reflexive: a five digit number has the same digits as it's doppleganger. this is true for all  $k$  locations
- ii. Symmetric: Two numbers with the same  $k$ th digit compared in reversed order will not change the matching digit at location  $k$
- iii. Transitive: If A's  $k$ th digit matches B's digit, and B's matches C's, then  $k$ th digit of  $A = B = C$
- iv. There are five equivalence classes, for  $k$  1-5
- v. Each class has  $1000 \cdot 10$  elements, where 10 is number of possible values for the  $k$ th digit, and 1000 are the number of possible combinations of the four other digits.
- vi. This relation could be refined by defining the set as all five digit numbers with the same  $k$ th and  $l$ th digits, where  $k$  and  $l$  are 1-5. This would have  $\frac{5 \cdot 4}{2}$  equivalence classes, and each class would have 100 elements.

4. [12 Pts] Prove that these relations on the set of all functions from  $\mathcal{Z}$  to  $\mathcal{Z}$  are equivalence relations. Describe the equivalence classes.

(a)  $R_6 = \{(f, g) \mid f(0) = g(0) \text{ and } f(1) = g(1)\}$

- i. Reflexive: If  $f, g$  are the same function in the relation, then  $f(0) = g(0), f(1) = g(1)$
- ii. Symmetric: For  $f, g$  in the relation, If  $f(0) = g(0), f(1) = g(1)$ , then  $g(0) = f(0), g(1) = f(1)$
- iii. Transitive: for functions  $f, g, h$  in the relation,  $f(0) = g(0) = h(0), f(1) = g(1) = h(1)$
- iv. There are an uncountably infinite number of piecewise functions where for arbitrary constant  $C \in \mathcal{Z}$ , set  $f(0) = C, g(0) = C$ , and  $D \in \mathcal{Z} f(1) = D, g(1) = D$ . Each function has a countably infinite number of elements because they will only vary by some number of constants.  $\mathcal{Z} \times \mathcal{Z} \times \mathcal{Z} \times \dots$  is countably infinite.

(b)  $R_7 = \{(f, g) \mid \exists C \in \mathcal{Z}, \forall x \in \mathcal{Z}, f(x) - g(x) = C\}$

- i. Reflexive:  $f(x) - f(x) = 0. 0 \in \mathcal{Z}$
- ii. Symmetric:  $f(x) - g(x) = C, g(x) - f(x) = -C. C, -C \in \mathcal{Z}$
- iii. Transitive: Because we must consider  $\forall x \in \mathcal{Z}$ , the domain of  $f$  and  $g$  must be  $\mathcal{Z}$ . All  $\mathcal{Z}$  have some output in  $\mathcal{Z}$ , and any output  $a, b \in \mathcal{Z}, a - b \in \mathcal{Z}$ . All differences between the output of 3 functions with domain  $\mathcal{Z}$  will exist in  $\mathcal{Z}$ .
- iv. There's an uncountably infinite number of functions with domain in  $\mathcal{Z}$ , so there are an uncountably infinite number of classes. Each function has a countably infinite number of elements because they will only vary by up to an infinite number of constants.  $\mathcal{Z} \times \mathcal{Z} \times \mathcal{Z} \times \dots$  is countably infinite.

5. [12 Pts] Consider the following relations on the set of positive real numbers. One is an equivalence relation and the other is a partial order. Which is which? For the equivalence relation, describe the equivalence classes. What is the equivalence class of 2? of  $\pi$ ? Justify your answers.

(a)  $(x, y) \in R_8$  if and only if  $x/y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . THIS IS THE PARTIAL ORDER

- i. Reflexive: for any number  $a \neq 0$ ,  $a/a = 1 \in \mathbb{Z}$
- ii. Anti-Symmetric:  $\frac{y}{x}$  is the reciprocal of  $\frac{x}{y}$ . if  $(x, y) \in R_8$ , then the quotient is an integer. The reciprocal of an integer will never be an integer, except if  $x = y$ .
- iii. Transitive: if  $\frac{x}{y}$  is an integer, then that implies  $y$  divides  $x$ . If  $\frac{y}{z}$  is an integer, then  $z$  divides  $y$ .  $z$  will then also be a factor of  $x$ , so  $z$  divides  $x$ .

(b)  $(x, y) \in R_9$  if and only if  $x - y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . THIS IS THE EQUIVALENCE RELATION

- i. Since (a) is the partial order, this must be the equivalence relation.
- ii.  $(x, y) \in R \subset \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  Countably infinite number of classes, where each class is determined by the value of  $x$ . Each class has a countably infinite number of  $y$  where  $x - y = \text{an integer}$ .
- iii. The class for 2 is all integers. 2 is an integer, and any integer minus an integer will be in  $\mathbb{Z}$
- iv.  $[pi]_R = \{\pi + n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$