

DISCRETE MATH 37181 HOMEWORK 5

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1. Consider the function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ defined by the recursive definition

$$\begin{aligned} f(0) &= 1 \\ f(n) &= nf(n-1) \quad n > 0. \end{aligned}$$

The value of $f(7)$ is

- A. 2520
 - B. 28
 - C. 5040
 - D. 420
 - E. none of the above.
2. What is another name for the function defined in Question 1?
3. Define a function $A : \mathbb{N}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ using the following *recursive* definition.

$$\begin{aligned} A(0, n) &= n + 1 & n \geq 0, \\ A(m, 0) &= A(m-1, 1) & m > 0, \\ A(m, n) &= A(m-1, A(m, n-1)) & m, n > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Then $A(2, 1)$ is equal to

- A. 5
- B. 4
- C. 100
- D. 6
- E. none of the above.

4. Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and $B = \{a, b, c\}$.
- (a) Give an example of a one-to-one function from A to B .¹
 - (b) Give an example of an onto function from A to B .
 - (c) How many different functions are there from A to B ?
 - (d) Give an example of a relation from A to B that is not a function.
5. Let $A = \mathbb{N}$ and \mathcal{R} be the relation defined by “ $a\mathcal{R}b$ if $a < b$ or $5 \mid (b - a)$ ”. So for example $(1, 6) \in \mathcal{R}$ and $(6, 1) \in \mathcal{R}$.
- (a) Is \mathcal{R} reflexive?
 - (b) Is \mathcal{R} symmetric?
 - (c) Is \mathcal{R} antisymmetric?
 - (d) Is \mathcal{R} transitive?
6. If A is a set, the notation $|A|$ means the number of elements in A . Let $|A| = 4$ and $|B| = 3$.
- (a) What is $|A \times B|$?
 - (b) How many functions are there from A to B ?
 - (c) How many relations are there from A to B ?
 - (d) How many one-to-one functions are there from A to B ?
 - (e) How many one-to-one functions are there from B to A ?

¹Hint: give an example means write $f = \{(1, a), (2, b), (2, c)\}$ etc

Brief solutions:

1. **C** 5040

2. $n!$

3. **A** 5

$$A(1, 1) = A(0, A(1, 0)) = A(0, A(0, 1)) = A(0, 2) = 3$$

$$A(1, 2) = A(0, A(1, 1)) = A(1, 1) + 1 = 4$$

$$A(1, 3) = A(0, A(1, 2)) = A(1, 2) + 1 = 5$$

$$A(2, 1) = A(1, A(2, 0)) = A(1, A(1, 1)) = A(1, 3) = 5$$

4. (a) Does not exist. Not enough elements in B . Need $|A| \leq |B|$.

$$(b) f = \{(1, a), (2, b), (3, c)(4, a)\}.$$

(c) $3^4 = 81$. 3 choices for $f(1)$, 3 choices for $f(2)$, etc.

$$(d) \mathcal{R} = \{(1, a), (1, b)\}.$$

5. (a) Yes since 5 divides $(a - a) = 0$ for all $a \in \mathbb{N}$.

(b) Not symmetric, $(1, 2) \in \mathcal{R}$ because $1 < 2$, but $(1 - 2) = -1$ is not divisible by 5 and $2 \not< 1$ so $(2, 1) \notin \mathcal{R}$.

(c) Not antisymmetric. $(0, 5)$ and $(5, 0)$ are both in \mathcal{R} but $0 \neq 5$.

(d) Not transitive. $(4, 7)$ and $(7, 2)$ are in \mathcal{R} but $(4, 2)$ is not.

6. (a) 12.

(b) $3^4 = 81$ (same as Question 4(c)).

(c) A relation can be any subset of $\mathcal{P}(A \times B)$, and the size of the power set of a set of size 12 is $2^{12} = 4096$ (induction problem Lecture 4).

(d) There are none.

(e) For $f(a)$ there are 4 possible choices. Then for $f(b)$ we only have 3 numbers to choose from, and then for $f(c)$ only 2 numbers left, so $4 \times 3 \times 2 = 24$.