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### Abstract:

we learned new concept of relation. It is sort of subset concept that shows element's relation by 4 properties(reflexive, symmetric, anti-sym, transitive). Throughout combination of properties, we derive 2 relations that Equivalence relations and Partial order. However parallel task scheduling is missing in lecture video

### For the English:

## Lec 11. RELATIONS, PARTIAL ORDERS, AND SCHEDULING:

- Relations (kind of directed graph)

a relation from a set A to a set B a subset  $R \subseteq A \times B$

ex)  $R = \{(a, b) : \text{student } a \text{ is taking class } b\}$  //  $(a, b) \in R \Rightarrow aRb, a \sim b$

Relation on A is a subset  $R \subseteq A \times A$

ex)  $A = \mathbb{Z}(\text{int}) : xRy \text{ iff } x \equiv y \pmod{5}$

$A = \mathbb{N}(\text{nature}) : xRy \text{ iff } x|y$

$A = \mathbb{N} : xRy \text{ iff } x \leq y$

set A together with R is a directed graph  $G = (V, E)$  with  $V = A, E = R$

- July, Bill, Rob graph

- Properties

A relation R on A is

- reflexive : if  $xRx$  for all  $x \in A$
- symmetric : if  $xRy \Rightarrow yRx$  for all  $x, y \in A$
- antisymmetric : if  $xRy \ \&\& \ yRx \Rightarrow x=y$
- transitive : if  $xRy \ \&\& \ yRz \Rightarrow xRz$

ex)

	refl	symm	anti	trans
$x \equiv y \pmod{5}$	yes	yes	no	yes
$x y$	yes	no	yes	yes
$x \leq y$	yes	no	yes	yes
- Equivalence relation = YYNY				
- Partial orders = YNYY				

- Equivalence relation

- reflexive, symm, trans

ex) equality (=) itself,  $x \equiv y \pmod{n}$

The equivalence class of  $x \in A$  is the set of all elements

in A related to x by R : denoted  $[x]$

$[x] = \{y : xRy\}$

ex)  $x \equiv y \pmod{5}$

$[7] = \{.., -3, 2, 7, 12, 17, \dots\}$

$[7] = [12] = [17] \dots$

A partition of A is a collection of disjoint, none empty sets

$A_1 \sim A_n \subseteq A$ , whose union is A

ex)  $\{..., -5, 0, 5, 10 \dots\}, \{... -4, 1, 6, 11 \dots\}, \{...-2, 3, 8, 13 \dots\} \dots$

THM: the equivalence class of an equivalence relation on a set A form a partition of A

A relation is a (weak) Partial order if it is refl, anti, trans

A Partial order relation is denoted with  $\leq$  (one way) instead of R

- Hasse diagram

ex) wearing a clothes foot, underwear, shirt

DEF: a directed graph with vertex set A and edge set  $\leq$  minus all self loops and edge implied by transitivity

THM: a PO set has no directed cycles other than self loops

PF: by contradiction, suppose  $\exists n \geq 2$ , distinct elements  $a_1 \sim a_n$  form a cycle

such that  $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq a_3 \sim \dots \leq a_{n-1} \leq a_n \leq a_1$

$a_1 \leq a_3 \sim$  by induction  $\sim a_1 \leq a_n \leq a_1 \Rightarrow$  contradiction / symmetric (self loop)

conclusion = after doing a self loop in PO set we get a directed acyclic graph (DAG)

a and b are incomparable if neither  $a \leq b$  nor  $b \leq a$

are comparable if either  $a \leq b$  or  $b \leq a$

- Total order

is partial order in which every pair of elements is comparable

ranking through straight line // PO  $\rightarrow$  TO we will learn this in next class

- Topological Sort

A total order consistent with a partial order is called a topological sort

a topological sort of a PO set  $(A, \leq)$  is a total order  $(A, \leq_t)$  such that  $\leq \subseteq \leq_t$

THM: every finite PO set has a Topological sort

$x \in A$  is called minimal if  $\nexists y \in A, y \neq x$  such that  $y \leq x$  and vice versa

maximal

$x \leq y$

$(Z, \leq)$  LEMMA: every finite PO set has a minimal element

DEF: a chain is a sequence of distinct elements //  $a_1 \leq a_2 \sim \dots \leq a_t$  - length

PF: let  $a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_n$  be a max length chain (assume it exists)

case1:  $a \notin \{a_1 \sim a_n\}$  : if  $a \leq a_1$ , then  $\Rightarrow$  contradiction (longer chain) -  $\nexists a \leq a_1$

case2:  $a \in \{a_1 \sim a_n\}$  : if  $a \leq a_1 \Rightarrow$  there is cycle  $\Rightarrow$  contradiction =  $\nexists a \leq a_1$

$\Rightarrow a_1$  is minimal