

Tutorial 8 the Mid-term Test

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Problem 1 (10pt)

A TVB television poll of 151 people found that 68 watched “Lives of Omission”, 61 watched “Men with no shadows”; 52 watched “Be home for dinner”; 16 watched both “Lives of Omission” and “Men with no shadows”; 25 watched both “Men with no shadows” and “Be home for dinner”; 19 watched both “Lives of Omission” and “Be home for dinner”; and 26 watched none of these shows. How many persons watched all three shows? Justify your answer.

$$A = \{\text{people who watched “Lives of Omission”}\} = 68$$

$$B = \{\text{people who watched “Men with no shadows”}\} = 61$$

$$C = \{\text{people who watched “Be home for dinner”}\} = 52$$

Problem 1 (10pt) cont.



$$\begin{array}{lll} A \cap B = 16 & B \cap C = 25 & A \cap C = 19 \\ \overline{A \cup B \cup C} = 26 & A \cup B \cup C = 151 - 26 = 125 & \end{array}$$

To find

$$\begin{aligned} A \cap B \cap C &= (A \cup B \cup C) + (A \cap B) + (B \cap C) + (A \cap C) \\ &\quad - A - B - C \\ &= 125 + 16 + 25 + 19 - 68 - 61 - 52 = 4 \end{aligned}$$





Problem 2 (20pt)

True or False:

- Let $A = \{1, 3, 5\}$, $B = \{3, 4\}$, $A-B=\{5\}$ False
- If $p \rightarrow q$, then $\neg(p \wedge \neg q)$ True
- $\exists x$, s.t., $x^2 + x + 1 < 0$ False
- Assume the musical will be scheduled if and only if both Jay and Marry show up on time. Since Jay is not here, the musical will be canceled. True
- Let the domain and co-domain be real numbers. Then, $f(x)=3x$ is bijective. True

Problem 2 (20pt) cont.



True or False:

- If $f(x)$ is onto, its inverse function exists False
- Relation $\{(1,2), (2,1)\}$ is reflexive. False
- If $\lfloor x \rfloor = \lceil x \rceil$, then x is an integer number True
- $\forall y \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, $x \bmod y$ is non-negative True
- A relation can be both anti-symmetric and symmetric. True





Problem 3 (30pt)

Prove or disapprove the following statements:

a. Let $H_k = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \cdots + \frac{1}{k}$. Then,
 $\sum_{i=1}^n H_i = (n+1)H_n - n$ for all $n \geq 1$.

True

prove by induction

Base case:

$$\sum_{i=1}^1 H_i = H_1 = 1 \quad (1+1) \cdot H_1 - 1 = 1$$

Induction:

For $n=k$, $\sum_{i=1}^k H_i = (k+1)H_k - k$ is True

Problem 3 (30pt) cont.



when $n=k+1$,

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} H_i &= \sum_{i=1}^k H_i + H_{k+1} \\ &= (k+1)H_k - k + H_{k+1} \\ &= (k+1)\left(H_{k+1} - \frac{1}{k+1}\right) - k + H_{k+1} \\ &= (k+2)H_{k+1} - (k+1)\end{aligned}$$





Problem 3 (30pt) cont.

Prove or disapprove the following statements:

b. $2^n - 1$ is prime for all $n \geq 1$

False

disprove by example

When $n=4$, $2^n - 1 = 16 - 1 = 15$ is not a prime number.





Problem 3 (30pt) cont.

Prove or disapprove the following statements:

c. There are no positive integer solutions to the equation
 $x^2 - y^2 = 1$

True

prove by contradiction

If there exist positive integer x, y , then $x+y, x-y$ are both integers.

\Rightarrow

$$\begin{cases} x + y = 1 \\ x - y = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} x + y = -1 \\ x - y = -1 \end{cases}$$



Problem 3 (30pt) cont.

$$\begin{cases} x + y = 1 \\ x - y = 1 \end{cases}$$
$$\Downarrow$$

$$\begin{cases} x = 1 \\ y = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} x + y = -1 \\ x - y = -1 \end{cases}$$
$$\Downarrow$$

$$\begin{cases} x = -1 \\ y = 0 \end{cases}$$

Contradiction.

\Rightarrow So the hypothesis is false, the original statement is true.





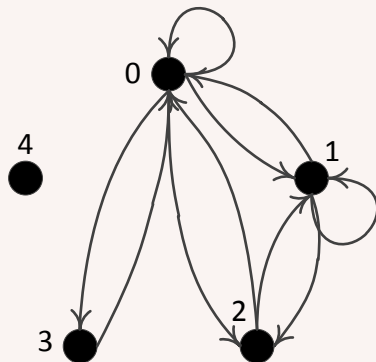
Problem 4 (30pt)

Draw the graph of the following relations on $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$. Determine if they are reflexive, transitive, symmetric, antisymmetric, partial order?

a. xRy if $x + y < 4$

$$\begin{aligned} xRy &= \{(x, y) \mid x + y < 4\} \\ &= \{(0, 0), \{0, 1\}, \{0, 2\}, \{0, 3\}, \\ &\quad \{1, 0\}, \{1, 1\}, \{1, 2\}, \{2, 0\}, \\ &\quad \{2, 1\}, \{3, 0\}\} \end{aligned}$$

Symmetric



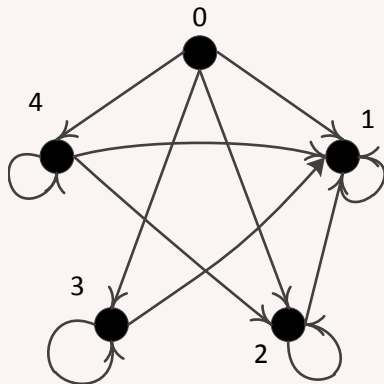
Problem 4 (30pt) cont.



Draw the graph of the following relations on $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$. Determine if they are reflexive, transitive, symmetric, antisymmetric, partial order?
b. xRy if x is dividable by y

$$\begin{aligned} xRy &= \{(x, y) \mid x \equiv 0 \pmod{y}\} \\ &= \{\{0, 1\}, \{0, 2\}, \{0, 3\}, \{0, 4\}, \{1, 1\}, \\ &\quad \{2, 2\}, \{3, 3\}, \{4, 4\}, \{2, 1\}, \{3, 1\}, \\ &\quad \{4, 1\}, \{4, 2\}\} \end{aligned}$$

Antisymmetric, Transitive



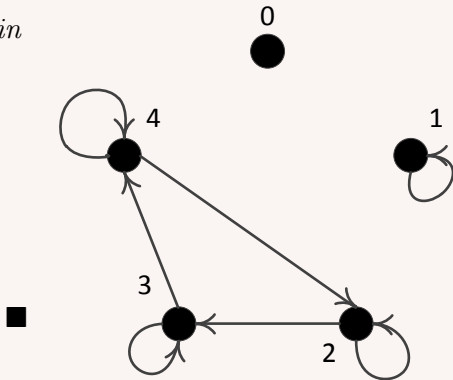
Problem 4 (30pt) cont.



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c. $\{\{1, 1\}, \{2, 2\}, \{3, 3\}, \{4, 4\}, \{2, 3\}, \{3, 4\}, \{4, 2\}\}$

Antisymmetric





Problem 5 (10pt and 10pt bonus)

A plane convex set, subsequently abbreviated to “convex set”, is a non-empty set X in the plane having the property that if x and y are any two points in X , the straight-line segment from x to y is also in X . The following figures illustrate:

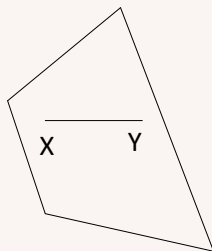


Figure: Convex set

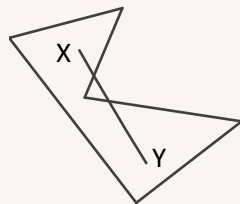


Figure: Non convex set

Problem 5 (10pt and 10pt bonus) cont.



a. Prove that if X and Y are convex sets and $X \cap Y$ is nonempty, then $X \cap Y$ is convex.

$$\forall x, y \in X \cap Y$$

Let the point z be on the straight line segment from x to y .

Since $x, y \in X$, X is convex $\Rightarrow z \in X$

Since $x, y \in Y$, Y is convex $\Rightarrow z \in Y$

$$\Rightarrow z \in X \cap Y$$



Problem 5 (10pt and 10pt bonus) cont.



b. Assume the following statement is correct:

Lemma: Four convex sets are given in the plane. If every three of them have a nonempty intersection, then the intersection of all four sets is also nonempty.

Prove Helly's theorem: Suppose that $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, n \geq 4$ are convex sets, each three of which have a common point. All n sets have a common point.

Prove by induction.

Base step: $n=4$ true by lemma

Problem 5 (10pt and 10pt bonus) cont.



Induction step: true when $n=k$

now consider $n=k+1$, for X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{k+1} ,

let $Y_1 = X_1 \cap X_{k+1}, Y_2 = X_2 \cap X_{k+1}, \dots, Y_k = X_k \cap X_{k+1}$

a total of k sets.

By (a), all of them are convex.

consider any 3 sets:

$X_i \cap X_{k+1}, X_j \cap X_{k+1}$ and $X_l \cap X_{k+1}$ $i, j, l \in \{1, \dots, k\}$

$= X_i \cap X_j \cap X_l \cap X_{k+1} \neq \emptyset$ by the base of the induction where
we pick four sets X_i, X_j, X_l, X_{k+1} .

This implies that any three set among Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_k share a
common point.

By induction hypothesis, $\bigcap_{i=1}^{k+1} X_i = \bigcap_{i=1}^k Y_i \neq \emptyset$





Questions about the problems?