

Practical 3b

Finding the following for a given partially ordered set

- i. Covering relations.
- ii. Minimal and maximal elements.

1 Minimal and maximal elements

1.1

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→ kill(all);
(%o0) done

→ A:[2, 3, 4, 6, 8];
(%o1) [2,3,4,6,8]

→ findRelation(A):=block(
    [A2:cartesian_product_list(A, A), R:[]],
    for i:1 thru length(A2) do(
        t:A2[i],
        if(remainder(t[2], t[1])=0) then R:cons(t, R)
    ),
    R
);
(%o2) findRelation(A):=block([A2:cartesian_product_list(A,A),
R:[]],for i thru length(A2) do
(t:A2_i,if remainder(t_2,t_1)=0 then R:cons(t,R) ),R)

→ R:findRelation(A);
(%o3) [[8,8],[6,6],[4,8],[4,4],[3,6],[3,3],[2,8],[2,6],[
2,4],[2,2]]

→ a:A[1];
(%o4) 2

→ s:0;
for i:1 thru length(A) do(
    if(member([A[1], A[i]], R)) then(s:s+1)
);
if(s=0) then(print(A[1], "is maximal"));
(%o5) 0
(%o6) done
(%o7) false

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→ for k:1 thru length(A) do(
    s:0,
    for i:1 thru length(A) do(
        if((k#i) and (member([A[k], A[i]], R))) then(s:s+1)
    ),
    if(s=0) then(print(A[k], "is maximal"))
);
6 is maximal
8 is maximal
(%o8) done

→ maximalElements(A, R):=block(
    [s],
    for k:1 thru length(A) do(
        s:0,
        for i:1 thru length(A) do(
            if((k#i) and (member([A[k], A[i]], R))) then(s:s+1)
        ),
        if(s=0) then(print(A[k], "is maximal"))
    )
);
(%o9) maximalElements(A,R):=block([s],for k thru length(A)
do (s:0,for i thru length(A) do if k#i ∧ member([Ak,Ai],R)
then s:s+1 ,if s=0 then print(Ak,is maximal) ))

→ maximalElements(A, R);
6 is maximal
8 is maximal
(%o10) done

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1.2

Rosen : EXAMPLE 14

Which elements of the poset $(\{2, 4, 5, 10, 12, 20, 25\}, |)$ are maximal, and which are minimal?

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→ A1:[2, 4, 5, 10, 12, 20, 25];
(%o11) [2,4,5,10,12,20,25]

→ R1:findRelation(A1);
(%o12) [[25,25],[20,20],[12,12],[10,20],[10,10],[5,25],[
5,20],[5,10],[5,5],[4,20],[4,12],[4,4],[2,20],[2,12],[2
,10],[2,4],[2,2]]

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→ maximalElements(A1, R1);
    12 is maximal
    20 is maximal
    25 is maximal
(%o13) done
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→ for k:1 thru length(A) do(
    s:0,
    for i:1 thru length(A) do(
        if((k#i) and (member([A[i], A[k]], R))) then(s:s+1)
    ),
    if(s=0) then(print(A[k], "is minimal"))
);
    2 is minimal
    3 is minimal
(%o14) done
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→ minimalElements(A, R):=block(
    [s],
    for k:1 thru length(A) do(
        s:0,
        for i:1 thru length(A) do(
            if((k#i) and (member([A[i], A[k]], R))) then(s:s+1)
        ),
        if(s=0) then(print(A[k], "is minimal"))
    )
);
(%o15) minimalElements(A,R):=block([s],for k thru length(A)
do (s:0,for i thru length(A) do if k#i ∧ member([Ai,Ak],R)
then s:s+1 ,if s=0 then print(Ak,is minimal) ))
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→ minimalElements(A, R);
    2 is minimal
    3 is minimal
(%o16) done
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→ minimalElements(A1, R1);
    2 is minimal
    5 is minimal
(%o17) done
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Rosen 33.

Answer these questions for the poset

$(\{3, 5, 9, 15, 24, 45\}, |)$.

a) Find the maximal elements.

b) Find the minimal elements.

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→ A2:[3, 5, 9, 15, 24, 45];
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(%o18) [3,5,9,15,24,45]
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→ R2:findRelation(A2);
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(%o19) [[45,45],[24,24],[15,45],[15,15],[9,45],[9,9],[5,45],[5,15],[5,5],[3,45],[3,24],[3,15],[3,9],[3,3]]
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→ maximalElements(A2, R2);
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24 is maximal

45 is maximal

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(%o20) done
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→ minimalElements(A2, R2);
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3 is minimal

5 is minimal

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(%o21) done
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