

Theory of Computer Science

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Exercise Sheet 1

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Note: The goal of this exercise sheet is to learn how to correctly express formal proofs. A formally correct proof consists of single steps where each step follows *immediately* from the previous steps or from the assumptions (for example when replacing a value by its definition). Please write down your proofs in detail and in a formal fashion. Examples can be found in the lecture slides.

Exercise 1.1 (Sets, Functions and Relations; $0.5 + 0.5 + 1$ points)

Consider the sets $V = \{X, Y, Z\}$, $\Sigma_1 = \{a, b, c\}$, $\Sigma_2 = \{b, c, d, e\}$ and $Q = \{q_1, q_2\}$.

- (a) Specify a non-trivial example for a binary relation $R \subseteq (Q^2) \times (\Sigma_2 \setminus \Sigma_1)$ with $|R| = 5$.
- (b) Specify an example for a (total) function $f : \mathcal{P}(\Sigma_1 \cap \Sigma_2) \rightarrow Q \times V$.
- (c) How many partial functions $f : \Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2 \rightarrow_p V$ are there? Justify your answer (a proof is not necessary).

Exercise 1.2 (Mathematical Modeling; $0.5 + 1.5$ points)

Consider a two dimensional grid with width n and height m , where positions are denoted by $\langle x, y \rangle$ with $x \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, $y \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, and $\langle 1, 1 \rangle$ being the bottom left cell. We define P to be the set of all cells. Additionally there is a set of colors C , and function $f : P \rightarrow C$ maps each cell to a color.

- (a) Explicitly specify n , m , C and f for the following concrete grid:



- (b) Consider relation R over $P \times P$ which contains $\langle p, p' \rangle$ iff p and p' have different colors and p is directly above p' . Specify a general definition of R for arbitrary P and f , and additionally specify R for the concrete example in (a).

Exercise 1.3 (Proofs, $1 + 1 + 1$ points)

Consider the following statement: If $(A \cup B) \subseteq (A \cap B)$, then $A \subseteq B$.

- (a) Show the statement with a direct proof.
- (b) Show the statement with an indirect proof.
- (c) Show the statement by contrapositive.

Exercise 1.4 (Mathematical Induction, 3 points)

Prove using mathematical induction that for $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and $a \neq 1$ the following statement holds.

$$\sum_{i=0}^n a^i = \frac{1 - a^{n+1}}{1 - a} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}_0$$