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Instructions. Print out this assignment, fill in your answers in the space provided and upload your work to Gradescope. **Important.** You must write your answers on a printout of this pdf! Please do not upload additional pages or scratch work.

(5pts) 1. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$. For each of the following binary relations on X , check the boxes next to the properties that the relation has. *Select all that apply!*

(a) $\emptyset = \{ \}$

☐ reflexive ☐ symmetric ☐ antisymmetric ☐ transitive

(b) $\mathcal{D} = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c)\}$

☐ reflexive ☐ symmetric ☐ antisymmetric ☐ transitive

(c) $\mathcal{A} = \{(a, a), (b, a), (b, b), (c, a), (c, b), (c, c)\}$

☐ reflexive ☐ symmetric ☐ antisymmetric ☐ transitive

(d) $X \times X = \{(a, a), (a, b), (a, c), (b, a), (b, b), (b, c), (c, a), (c, b), (c, c)\}$

☐ reflexive ☐ symmetric ☐ antisymmetric ☐ transitive

(e) $(X \times X) \setminus \mathcal{D} = \{(a, b), (a, c), (b, a), (b, c), (c, a), (c, b)\}$

☐ reflexive ☐ symmetric ☐ antisymmetric ☐ transitive

(6pts) 2. Let X be a set and let R be a binary relation on X . Recall we sometimes write $x R y$ to express $(x, y) \in R$. Consider the following statements.

- i. $\exists x \forall y (x R y)$
- ii. $\exists y \forall x (x R y)$
- iii. $\forall x \forall y (x R y \wedge x \neq y \rightarrow \exists z (x R z \wedge z R y \wedge x \neq z \wedge y \neq z))$

For each of the following structures, say whether the above statements are true or false.

Example. Let $(X, R) = (\mathbb{N}, \leq)$.

(i.e., X is the set of natural numbers and R is the less-than-or-equal-to relation on \mathbb{N})

Answer.

- i. $\exists x \forall y (x R y)$ ☒ True ☐ False (take $x = 0$)
- ii. $\exists y \forall x (x R y)$ ☐ True ☒ False (take $x = y+1$)
- iii. $\forall x \forall y (x R y \wedge x \neq y \rightarrow \exists z (x R z \wedge z R y \wedge x \neq z \wedge y \neq z))$
☐ True ☒ False (take $y = x + 1$)

(a) Let $(X, R) = (\mathbb{Z}, \leq)$. (Recall, \mathbb{Z} denotes the set of integers.)

- i. $\exists x \forall y (x R y)$ ☐ True ☐ False
- ii. $\exists y \forall x (x R y)$ ☐ True ☐ False
- iii. $\forall x \forall y (x R y \wedge x \neq y \rightarrow \exists z (x R z \wedge z R y \wedge x \neq z \wedge y \neq z))$
☐ True ☐ False

(b) Let $(X, R) = (\mathbb{Q}, \leq)$. (Recall, \mathbb{Q} denotes the set of rational numbers.)

- i. $\exists x \forall y (x R y)$ ☐ True ☐ False
- ii. $\exists y \forall x (x R y)$ ☐ True ☐ False
- iii. $\forall x \forall y (x R y \wedge x \neq y \rightarrow \exists z (x R z \wedge z R y \wedge x \neq z \wedge y \neq z))$
☐ True ☐ False

(c) Let $(X, R) = (\mathbb{N}, |)$. (Recall, $a | b$ means “ a evenly divides b .”)

- i. $\exists x \forall y (x R y)$ ☐ True ☐ False
- ii. $\exists y \forall x (x R y)$ ☐ True ☐ False
- iii. $\forall x \forall y (x R y \wedge x \neq y \rightarrow \exists z (x R z \wedge z R y \wedge x \neq z \wedge y \neq z))$
☐ True ☐ False

(d) Let $(X, R) = (\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}), \subseteq)$. (Each variable in the language denotes a *subset* of \mathbb{N} .)

- i. $\exists x \forall y (x R y)$ ☐ True ☐ False
- ii. $\exists y \forall x (x R y)$ ☐ True ☐ False
- iii. $\forall x \forall y (x R y \wedge x \neq y \rightarrow \exists z (x R z \wedge z R y \wedge x \neq z \wedge y \neq z))$
☐ True ☐ False

(8pts) 3. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ be functions.

(a) Show that if $g \circ f$ is one-to-one (or “injective”), then f is one-to-one.

(b) Give an example of spaces X , Y , Z , and functions $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$, such that that $g \circ f$ is one-to-one, but g is not one-to-one.

Let $X =$

$Y =$

$Z =$

Define f and g as follows:

(c) Suppose $g \circ f$ is one-to-one and f is onto (surjective). Show that g is one-to-one.

- (4pts) 4. Let \equiv be an equivalence relation on a set A . For every element $a \in A$, let $[a]$ denote the equivalence class containing a ; that is, $[a] = \{ c \mid c \in A \wedge c \equiv a \}$. Show that for every a and b in A , we have $[a] = [b]$ if and only if $a \equiv b$.
[*Hints.* Proving an iff statement typically requires two separate proof steps, one for each implication direction. $[a]$ and $[b]$ are sets, so $[a] = [b]$ means that $\forall c (c \in [a] \leftrightarrow c \in [b])$. By definition, an element c is in $[a]$ if and only if $c \equiv a$. In particular, $a \in [a]$.]

- (6pts) 5. Let the relation \sim on the natural numbers \mathbb{N} be defined as follows: if n is even, then $n \sim n + 1$; if n is odd, then $n \sim n - 1$. Furthermore, for every n , let $n \sim n$.
- (a) Prove that \sim is an equivalence relation on \mathbb{N} .

(b) What is the equivalence class of 5?

(c) Describe the set $\{[n] \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of all equivalence classes of \sim .

- (4pts) 6. A binary relation \leq on a set X is said to be a **preorder** if it is reflexive and transitive. For example, let X denote the collection of all living earthlings and let \leq be defined as follows: $\forall x, y \in X, x \leq y$ if and only if x is no older than y , where age is measured in whole days. Clearly \leq is reflexive and transitive, but it is not symmetric (since younger doesn't imply older) nor antisymmetric (since different people may be the same age). But prove the following.

Theorem. Let \leq be a preorder on a set X . Define the relation \equiv , where $x \equiv y$ holds if and only if $x \leq y$ and $y \leq x$. Then \equiv is an equivalence relation on X .