

# Tutorials 5 - Sequences, Strings and Relations

(2024A, Week 5)<sup>9</sup>

1. Given the sequence

$$w_n = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}, \quad n \geq 1,$$

compute  $\sum_{i=1}^{10} w_i$ .

2. Compute the given quantity using the strings  $\alpha = baab$ ,  $\beta = caaba$ ,  $\gamma = bbab$ .

(a)  $\alpha\beta$

(b)  $|\beta\alpha|$

(c)  $\beta\beta\gamma\alpha$

3. List all strings over  $X = \{0, 1\}$  of length 3 or less.

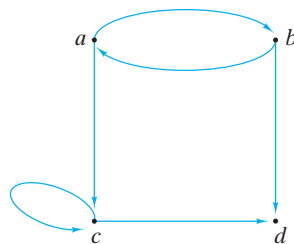
4. Find all substrings of the string  $babcb$ .

5. Let  $X = \{a, b\}$ . Define a function from  $X^*$  to  $X^*$  as  $f(\alpha) = \alpha ab$ . Is  $f$  one-to-one? Is  $f$  onto? Justify your answers.

6. Write the relation  $R$  on  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  defined by  $(x, y) \in R$  if  $x^2 \geq y$  as a table and draw its digraph.

7. Draw the digraph of the relation  $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 1), (3, 3), (1, 1), (2, 2)\}$  on  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$ .

8. Write the following relation as a set of ordered pairs.



9. Refer to the relation  $R$  on the set  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  defined by the rule  $(x, y) \in R$  if 3 divides  $x - y$ . List the elements of  $R^{-1}$ .

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<sup>9</sup>Most of the content of this document is taken from the book [1].

10. Determine whether each relation defined on the set of positive integers is reflexive, symmetric, antisymmetric, transitive, and/or a partial order.
- (a)  $(x, y) \in R$  if 3 divides  $x - y$ .
- (b)  $(x, y) \in R$  if  $x - y = 2$ .
11. Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. Define a relation on  $\mathcal{P}(X)$ , the power set of  $X$ , as  $(A, B) \in R$  if  $A \subseteq B$ . Is this relation reflexive, symmetric, antisymmetric, transitive, or a partial order?
12. Let  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  be the relations on  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  given by

$$R_1 = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (3, 4), (4, 2)\}$$

$$R_2 = \{(1, 1), (2, 1), (3, 1), (4, 4), (2, 2)\}.$$

List the elements of  $R_1 \circ R_2$  and  $R_2 \circ R_1$ .

13. Give examples of relations on  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  having the properties specified below.
- (a) Reflexive, symmetric, and not transitive
- (b) Not reflexive, not symmetric, and transitive
14. Determine whether the given relation is an equivalence relation on  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ . If the relation is an equivalence relation, list the equivalence classes.
- (a)  $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5), (1, 3), (3, 1), (3, 4), (4, 3)\}$
- (b)  $R = \{(x, y) \mid x \text{ and } y \text{ are both even or both odd}\}$
15. By listing ordered pairs, give an example of an equivalence relation on  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$  having exactly four equivalence classes.
16. How many equivalence relations are there on the set  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ ?
17. Find the matrix of the relation  $R$  from  $X$  to  $Y$  relative to ordering of  $X$ : 1, 2, 3 and the ordering of  $Y$ :  $\alpha, \beta, \Sigma, \delta$ .

$$R = \{(1, \delta), (2, \alpha), (2, \Sigma), (3, \beta), (3, \Sigma)\}.$$

18. Write the relation  $R$ , given by the following matrix, as a set of ordered pairs.

$$\begin{matrix} & w & x & y & z \\ \begin{matrix} w \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}.$$

## References

1. Johnsonbaugh, R.: Discrete Mathematics - Eighth Edition. *Pearson Education*, New York (2018).