

# Homework 6

## Solution Key

All homeworks are due at 1:00pm in the CS22 bin on the CIT second floor, opposite the elevators.

Write your full name and the problem number on each piece of paper you hand in and then staple.

**Reading:** Chapter 10: 10.1, 10.2, 10.3, 10.4 (up to pp. 620), 10.5 (up to pp. 644).

### Problem 6.1

For each of the following relations,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  write whether they satisfy reflexivity, symmetry, and transitivity. If the relation satisfies the property, prove that it does. If it doesn't, give a counterexample.

For example, for the first relation, if you think it's transitive and reflexive but not symmetric, write that, show that the relation is transitive and reflexive, and give a counterexample to show that it is not symmetric.

- $A$  is the set of all lines in the plane.  $R_1$  is the relation of perpendicularity. For  $L, L' \in A$ ,  $(L, L') \in R_1 \Leftrightarrow L$  is perpendicular to  $L'$ .
- $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{N}, (a, b) \in R_2 \Leftrightarrow a \neq b$ .
- $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{N}, (a, b) \in R_3 \Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{b} = 2^i$  for some integer  $i \geq 0$ .

For counterexamples, any similar argument is fine.

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  - **Not Reflexive.** Any line is a counterexample. A line cannot be perpendicular to itself because it makes a 180 degree angle with itself.

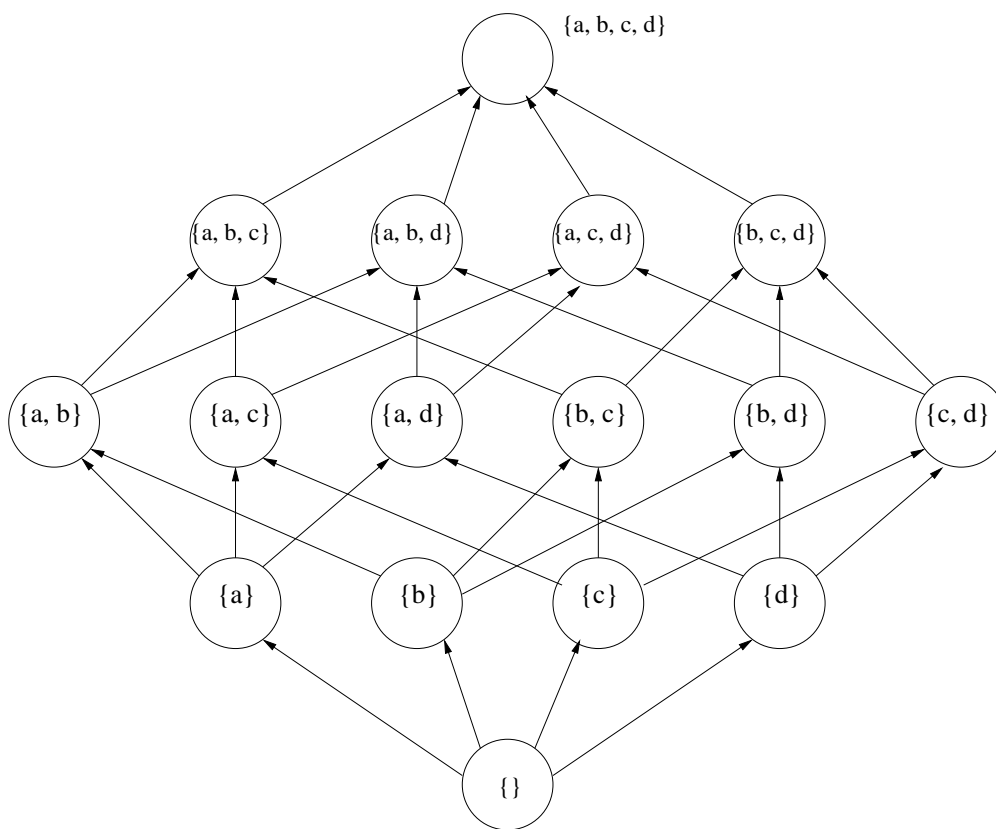
- **Symmetric.** If one line makes a 90 degree angle with a second line, then the second line makes a 90 degree angle with the first as well.
  - **Not Transitive.** Two lines perpendicular to a third line are either parallel or the same line, so they cannot be perpendicular to each other.
- $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{N}, (a, b) \in R_2 \Leftrightarrow a \neq b.$ 
    - **Not Reflexive.** If  $R_2$  was reflexive, for example, (4,4) would be in the relation. And  $4 = 4$ , which is in violation of  $a \neq b$ . Thus  $R_1$  is not reflexive.
    - **Symmetric.** By commutativity, if  $a \neq b$ , then  $b \neq a$ .
    - **Not Transitive.** Consider (6,4) and (4,6) as pairs in the relation. If  $R_2$  was transitive, then (6,6) would be in the relation, and since the relation is not reflexive as shown above, that is a contradiction. Thus,  $R_2$  is not transitive.
  - $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{N}, (a, b) \in R_3 \Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{b} = 2^i$  for some integer  $i \geq 0.$ 
    - **Reflexive.**  $\frac{x}{x} = 1$ , and  $2^0 = 1$ , a valid value of  $i$ .
    - **Not Symmetric.** Consider (6,3) as a pair in the relation.  $\frac{6}{3} = 2^1$ . If  $R_3$  were symmetric, (3,6) would also be in the relation.  $\frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2} = 2^{-1}$ . Therefore  $i$  would equal -1, but  $i$  must be  $\geq 0$ . Thus  $R_3$  is not symmetric.
    - **Transitive.** Consider pairs (a,b) and (b,c) in the relation.  $\frac{a}{b} = 2^i$  and  $\frac{b}{c} = 2^j$ .  $\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{b}{c} = \frac{a}{c} = 2^{i+j}$ , and since  $i \geq 0$  and  $j \geq 0$  since (a,b) and (b,c) are in the relation,  $i + j \geq 0$ . Thus, (a,c) is in the relation, and  $R_3$  is transitive.

## Problem 6.2

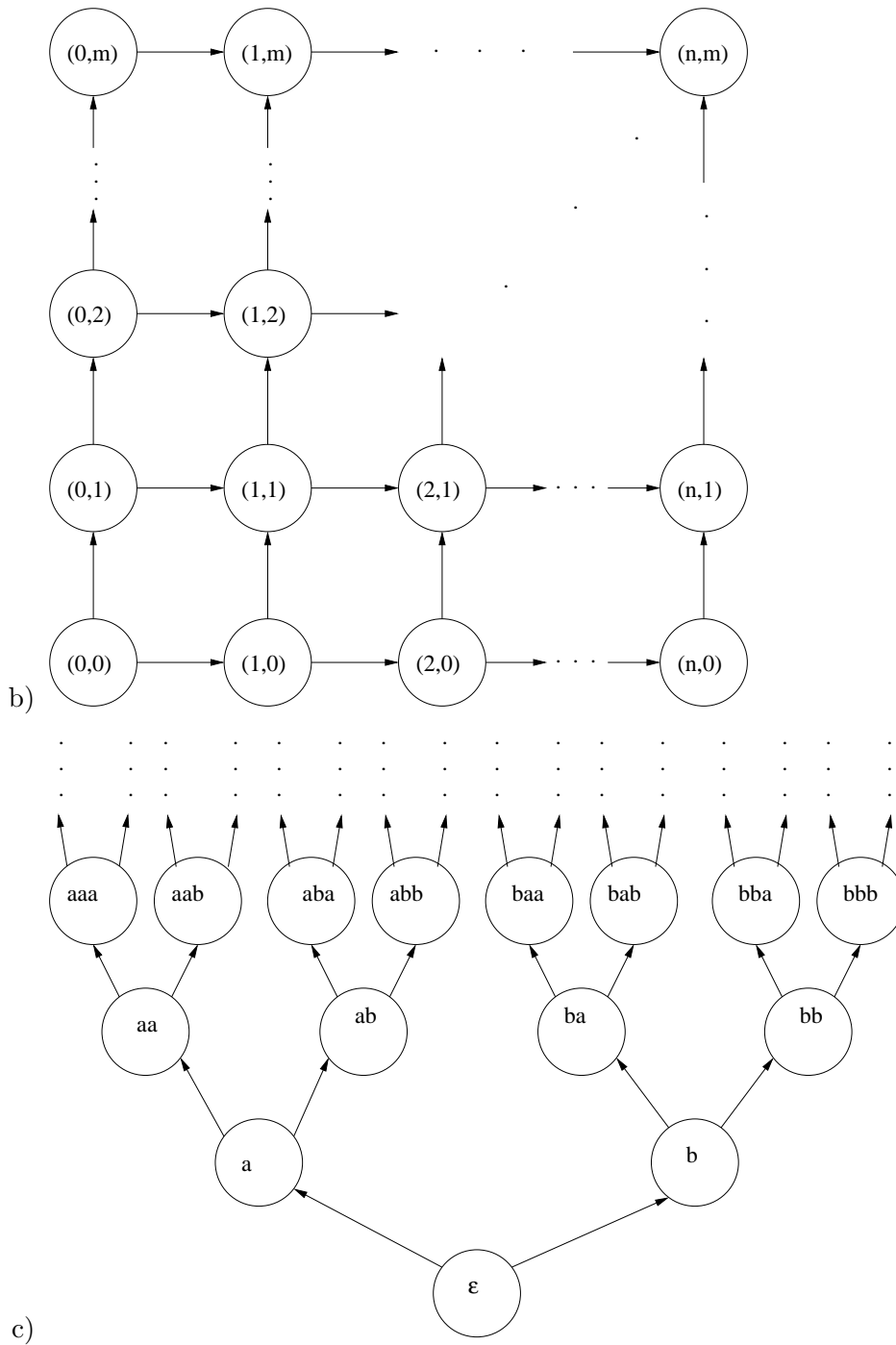
For each of the following posets, draw a Hasse diagram showing the partial order relation.

- a) The Power Set of  $a, b, c, d$ , where for any subsets  $A, B$  of  $a, b, c, d$ ,  $A \preceq B \Leftrightarrow A \subseteq B$ . (This is also called the **inclusion order**.)

- b) Given the totally ordered sets  $0, \dots, n$  and  $0, \dots, m$  with the ordinary  $\leq$  orders, consider the Cartesian product of these sets, with  $(a, b) \preceq (c, d) \Leftrightarrow (a \leq c) \wedge (b \leq d)$ .
- c) The set of finite sequences (strings) of the letters  $a, b$ . For example,  $abbab$  is such a sequence, as is  $\epsilon$ , the empty sequence.  $S_1 \preceq S_2$  iff  $S_1$  is an initial subsequence of  $S_2$  (also called the prefix of  $S_2$ ); in other words, if  $n$  is the number of letters in  $S_1$ , then the first  $n$  letters of  $S_2$  are exactly the sequence  $S_1$ .



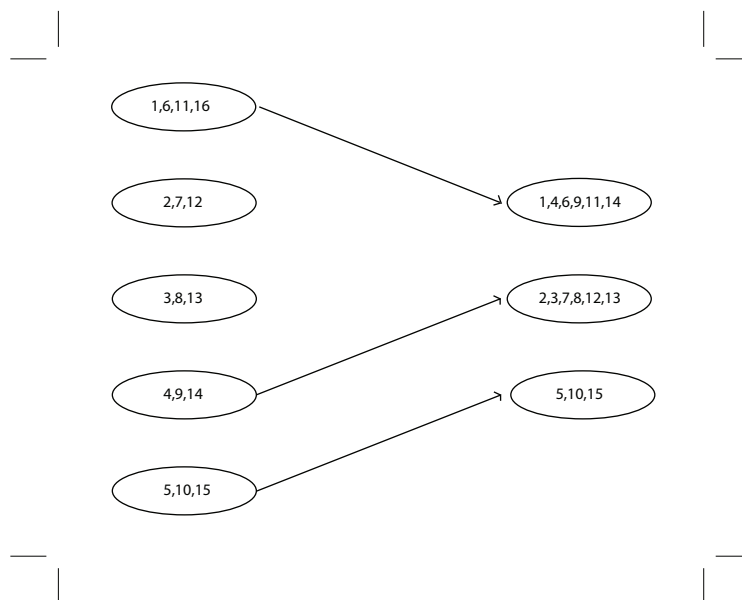
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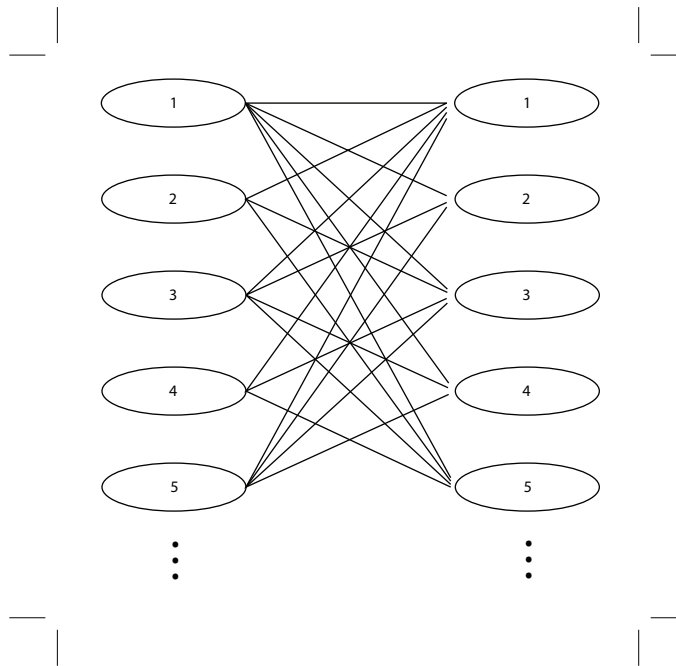
**Problem 6.3**

For each of the following relations, prove whether it is an equivalence relation. If so, list the equivalence classes. Otherwise, display the relation graphically.

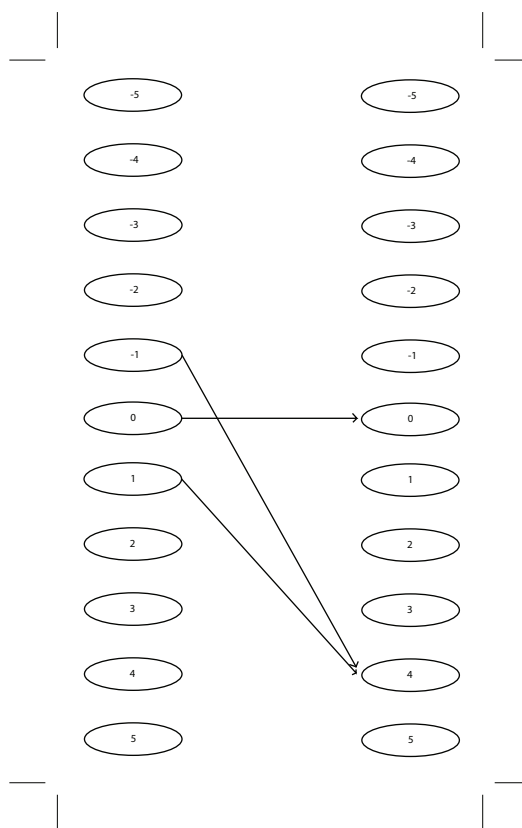
- a.  $R = \{(a, b) \mid a = b^2 \pmod{5}\}$  on set  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 16\}$
- b.  $R = \{(a, b) \mid \gcd(a, b) = 1\}$  (i.e.,  $a$  and  $b$  are prime, having no common divisors except for 1.) for  $\{1, 2, \dots, 10\}$
- c.  $R = \{(a, b) \mid a = (2b)^2\}$  for  $\{-5, -4, -3, \dots, 5\}$
- a. This relation is not reflexive. For example  $2 \neq 2^2 \pmod{5}$ . Because it is not reflexive it cannot be an equivalence relation.



- b. This relation is not reflexive. For example  $\gcd(2, 2) = 2 \neq 1$ . Because it is not reflexive it cannot be an equivalence relation.



- c. This relation is not reflexive. For example  $-5 \neq (-10)^2$ . Because it is not reflexive it cannot be an equivalence relation.



### Problem 6.4

Let  $C$  be the set of the 16  $2 \times 2$  chessboards whose squares are all colored either red or blue. Let  $R$  be a relation on  $C$  such that for two such chessboards,  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ ,  $(c_1, c_2) \in R$  if and only if  $c_2$  can be obtained from  $c_1$  by a (finite) sequence of 90 degree rotations. (Imagine a nail in the center of the board, where the four squares meet. "One rotation," then, is accomplished by rotating the board  $\pi/2$  or  $-\pi/2$  about the nail.)

- Show that  $R$  is an equivalence relation.
  - What are the equivalence classes of  $R$ ?
- a. If  $r$  is a rotation, the  $r^{-1}$  denote the rotation in the opposite direction.

- *Reflexive* For any  $c \in C$ ,  $cRc$  since  $C$  can be obtained from itself by a sequence of 0 rotations.
  - *Symmetric* Let  $c_1, c_2 \in C$  such that  $c_1Rc_2$ . This means there is a sequence of rotations  $r_1, \dots, r_n$  that transforms  $c_1$  into  $c_2$ . This means that the sequence  $r_n^{-1}, \dots, r_1^{-1}$  transforms  $c_2$  into  $c_1$ , so  $c_2Rc_1$ .
  - *Transitive* Let  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in C$  such that  $c_1Rc_2$  and  $c_2Rc_3$ . This means there is a sequence of rotations  $r_1, \dots, r_n$  that transforms  $c_1$  into  $c_2$ , and a sequence  $s_1, \dots, s_n$  that transforms  $c_2$  into  $c_3$ . Then the combined sequence  $r_1, \dots, r_n, s_1, \dots, s_n$  will transform  $c_1$  into  $c_3$ , so  $c_1Rc_3$ .
- b. We denote a board by a string of length four, with  $r$  and  $b$  denoting red and blue, respectively. The first letter represents the upper left square, and the following letters continue in clockwise order. The equivalence classes are:  $\{rrrr\}$ ,  $\{bbbb\}$ ,  $\{rrbr, rrrb, rbrr, brrr\}$ ,  $\{bbrb, bbbr, brbb, rbbb\}$ ,  $\{rbrb, brbr\}$ ,  $\{rrbb, brrb, bbrr, rbbrr\}$ .

### Problem 6.5

- a. Let  $(S, R)$  be a poset. Show that  $(S, R^{-1})$  is also a poset, where  $R^{-1}$  is the inverse relation of  $R$ . The poset  $(S, R^{-1})$  is called the dual of  $(S, R)$ .
- b. Suppose that  $(S, \preceq_1)$  and  $(T, \preceq_2)$  are posets. If  $\preceq$  is defined by  $(s, t) \preceq (u, v)$  if and only if  $s \preceq_1 u$  and  $t \preceq_2 v$  for  $s, u \in S$ , and  $t, v \in T$ , show that  $(S \times T, \preceq)$  is a poset

- a. We must show that  $R^{-1}$  is a partial order.  
Let  $t, u, v \in R$ .

*Reflexive*  $tRt$ , since  $R$  is a partial order. Thus  $tR^{-1}t$  by definition of  $R^{-1}$ .

*Antisymmetric* Suppose  $tR^{-1}u$  and  $uR^{-1}t$ . Then  $uRt$  and  $tRu$  since  $R$  is the inverse of  $R^{-1}$ . But  $R$  is a partial order, so  $t = u$ .

*Transitive* Suppose  $tR^{-1}u$  and  $uR^{-1}v$ . Then  $uRt$  and  $vRu$ . Since  $R$  is a partial order, this implies  $vRt$ . But  $R^{-1}$  is the inverse of  $R$ , so  $tR^{-1}v$ .

- b. We must show that  $\preceq$  is a partial order.

*Reflexive*  $\preceq_1$  and  $\preceq_2$  are partial orders, so  $s \preceq_1 s$  and  $t \preceq_2 t$ . Thus  $(s, t) \preceq (s, t)$ .

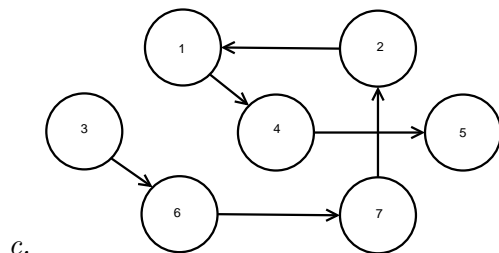
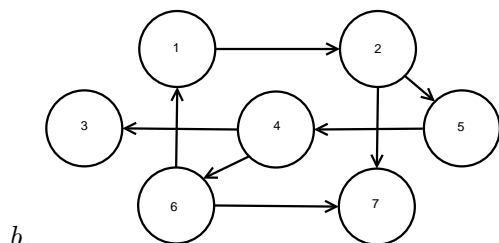
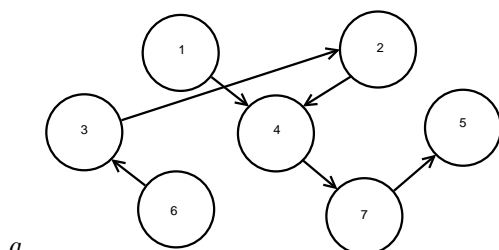
*Antisymmetric* Suppose  $(s, t) \preceq (u, v)$  and  $(u, v) \preceq (s, t)$ . Then  $s \preceq_1 u \preceq_1 s$  and  $t \preceq_2 v \preceq_2 t$ . Hence  $s = u$  and  $t = v$ .

*Transitive* Suppose  $(s, t) \preceq (u, v) \preceq (w, x)$ . Then  $s \preceq_1 u$ ,  $u \preceq_1 w$ ,  $t \preceq_2 v$  and  $v \preceq_2 x$ . By transitivity,  $s \preceq_1 w$  and  $t \preceq_2 x$ . Hence  $(s, t) \preceq (w, x)$ .

### Problem 6.6

Solve for each of the following:

- Can the graph be sorted topologically?
- If so, does there exist a unique sort?
- If there is more than one sort, enumerate all possible sorts.



- a. There are 4 topological sorts for this graph: 1,6,3,2,4,7,5; 6,1,3,2,4,7,5; 6,3,1,2,4,7,5; and 6,3,2,1,4,7,5.
- b. There is a cycle in this graph so there is no topological sort.
- c. There are 6 topological sorts for this graph: 3,4,5,6,7,2,1; 3,4,6,5,7,2,1; 3,4,6,7,5,2,1; 3,6,7,4,5,2,1; 3,6,4,5,7,2,1; 3,6,4,7,5,2,1.