

Problem 1: (20 points)

Let Y be the set of all YouTube videos available on January 1, 2016, where each video is identified by its URL. For each of the following relations on the set Y , state without proof if the relation is reflexive, symmetric, antisymmetric, transitive, an equivalence relation, and/or a partial order. In the case of equivalence relations, explain what every equivalence class signifies. In the case of partial orders, indicate if the set Y has a minimum, a maximum, minimal, and/or maximal, and explain what minimum, maximum, minimal and maximal mean in that context.

- a) $x R y$ if x and y have the same number of “views”.
- b) $x R y$ if x and y have the same number of “likes”.
- c) $x R y$ if (x has fewer “likes” than y) or (x is the same video as y).
- d) $x R y$ if x has fewer “dislikes” than y .

Problem 2: (20 points)

An **alphabetic string** is any sequence of one or more English letters. For example, *abc*, *Apple*, *q*, and *hxTrR* are alphabetic strings. Let \mathbf{S} be the set of all alphabetic string of one or more letters, and let \mathbf{L} be the set of all the lower-case alphabetic strings of one or more letters. Let $f: \mathbf{S} \rightarrow \mathbf{L}$ be a function that maps every string in \mathbf{S} into its lower-case counterpart (for example, $f(\text{Apple})=f(\text{APPLE})=f(\text{apple})=f(\text{APpLe})=\text{apple}$). Let α , β , and γ stand for arbitrary alphabetic strings.

- a) Let R be following relation in \mathbf{S} : $\alpha R \beta$ if the first letter of α and the first letter of β are equal and have the same case.
 - i. Prove that R is an equivalence relation.
 - ii. How many equivalence classes does R have?
 - iii. Characterize in words the equivalence class of the string *apple*.
- b) Let R be following relation in \mathbf{S} : $\alpha R \beta$ if $f(\alpha)=f(\beta)$, meaning that α and β correspond to the same lower-case string.
 - i. Prove that R is an equivalence relation.
 - ii. Find the equivalence class of the string *app*.
 - iii. How many strings are in the equivalence class of the string *apple*?

Problem 3: (20 points)

Take the same set \mathbf{L} as in Problem 2.

- a) Let R be following relation in \mathbf{L} : $\alpha R \beta$ if the string α is lexicographically before (or at) β , that is, α would occur before β in the dictionary or the two strings are equal.
 - i. Prove that R is a partial order.
 - ii. Does \mathbf{L} have a minimum with respect to R ? If so, what is it?
 - iii. Does \mathbf{L} have a maximum? If so, what is it?
 - iv. If E is the subset of all lower-case strings of at most 5 letters each, does E have a maximum? If so, what is it? Does E have maximals?
- b) Let R be following relation in \mathbf{L} : $\alpha R \beta$ if the string α is a prefix of the string β .
 - i. Prove that R is a partial order.

- ii. Does \mathbf{L} have a minimum with respect to R ? If so, what is it?
- iii. Does \mathbf{L} have minimals? If so, what are they?
- c) Use the same relation R as in (b), and let $E = \{apple, applebee, app, be, beef, bee, bean, been, can, Cancun, canister\}$, which is a subset of \mathbf{L} . Draw the graph of R for the set E only, and also draw the Hasse diagram of R for E only.
- d) Does E have a maximum or a minimum with respect to R ? If so, identify them, but if not, identify the maximals and minimals of E .

Problem 4: (20 points)

Let R and S be two relations in a set A . Let $R \cap S$ be the new relation in A defined as follows:

$$x R \cap S y \text{ if } x R y \text{ and } x S y.$$

- a) Prove that if R and S are reflexive, then $R \cap S$ is reflexive.
- b) Prove that if R and S are symmetric, then $R \cap S$ is symmetric.
- c) Prove that if R or S is antisymmetric, then $R \cap S$ is antisymmetric.
- d) Prove that if R and S are transitive, then $R \cap S$ is transitive.

Problem 5: (20 points)

Let \mathbf{Z} be the set of all integers, and define R to be the following relation in \mathbf{Z} :

$$x R y \text{ if } (x-y) \text{ is a multiple of } 4.$$

Note: an integer n is a multiple of 4 if and only if there is an integer q where $n=4q$.

- a) Prove that R is an equivalence relation.
- b) For every integer x , let $[x] = x \text{ modulo } 4$. That is, $[x]$ is an integer r where $0 \leq r \leq 3$, such that when x is divided by 4, the remainder is r . Prove that for all integers x , $x R [x]$.
- c) Find the equivalence classes of R .

Bonus Problem: (5 points)

Let \mathbf{N} be the set of natural numbers, and R the following relation in $\mathbf{N} \times \mathbf{N}$:

$$(m,n) R (m',n') \text{ if } m+n' = m'+n.$$

- a) Prove R is an equivalence relation.
- b) Denote by $[m,n]$ the equivalence class of (m,n) , and let E be the set of all the equivalence classes of R . Let $f: E \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$ where $f([m,n]) = m-n$, and \mathbf{Z} is the set of integers. Prove that f is one-to-one and onto.