

**Problem 1:** (20 points)

- a) Let  $P$  be the set of (logical) propositions. For each of the following relations, state without proof if the relation is reflexive, symmetric, antisymmetric, transitive, an equivalence relation, and/or a partial order.
- $p R q$  if  $p \Rightarrow q$
  - $p R q$  if  $p \Leftrightarrow q$
  - $p R q$  if  $p \Leftrightarrow \bar{q}$
  - $p R q$  if  $p \not\Rightarrow \bar{q}$
- b) Let  $S$  be the set of students in this class. For each of the following relations, 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  $S$  has a minimum, a maximum, minimals, and/or maximals, and explain what minimum, maximum, minimal and maximal mean in that context.
- $x R y$  if  $x$  and  $y$  have the same hobbies
  - $x R y$  if  $x=y$  or  $x$  is younger than  $y$
  - $x R y$  if  $x$  and  $y$  have declared major and both have the same primary major
  - $x R y$  if  $x=y$  or  $x$  views himself/herself as a friend of  $y$

**Problem 2:** (20 points)

Let  $E$  be the set of 4-bit binary strings:  $E = \{0000, 0001, 0010, 0011, \dots, 1111\}$ .

- a) Let  $R$  be the following relation in  $E$ :  $x R y$  if  $x$  and  $y$  have the same number of 1's. Prove that  $R$  is an equivalence relation, and give the equivalence classes of  $R$ .
- b) The *Hamming distance* between two strings  $x$  and  $y$  in  $E$ , denoted  $H(x,y)$ , is the number of bit-wise differences between  $x$  and  $y$ , that is, the minimum number of bits that have to be flipped in the first string to become identical to the second string. Compute  $H(0000, 0101)$ ,  $H(1101,0110)$ , and  $H(1001,0110)$ .
- c) Let  $R$  be the following relation in  $E$ :  $x R y$  if  $H(x,y)$  is even. Prove that  $R$  is an equivalence relation, and give the equivalence classes of  $R$ .

**Problem 3:** (20 points)

Let  $A$  be the set of 3-bit binary strings:  $A = \{000, 001, 010, 011, 100, 101, 110, 111\}$ . Treat "0" as equivalent to "False" (F), and "1" as equivalent to "True" (T). Let  $\oplus$  be the "bit-wise logical or" operation between the elements of  $A$ . For example,  $100 \oplus 001 = 101$ .

Define the following relation  $R$  in  $A$ :

$$x R y \text{ if } x \oplus y = y$$

- Prove that  $R$  is a partial order.
- Is  $R$  a total order?
- Draw the graph of  $R$  and the Hess diagram of  $R$ .
- Does  $A$  have a maximum? If so, what is it?
- Does  $A$  have a minimum? If so, what is it?

- f) Let  $B = \{001, 010, 011, 100, 101\}$ . If  $B$  has a maximum, give its maximum; otherwise, give the maximals of  $B$ . Also, if  $B$  has a minimum, give its minimum; otherwise, give the minimals of  $B$ .

**Problem 4:** (16 points)

Let  $R$  be a relation in a set  $A$ , and derive from  $R$  another relation  $S$  in  $A$  as follows:

$x S y$  if  $(x R y \text{ or } y R x)$ .

- Prove that if  $R$  is reflexive, then  $S$  is reflexive.
- Prove that  $S$  is symmetric.
- Prove that if  $R$  is transitive,  $S$  is not necessarily transitive (by a counterexample).
- If  $R$  is antisymmetric, is  $S$  antisymmetric? Prove your answer.
- If  $R$  is an equivalence relation, is  $S$  an equivalence relation? Prove your answer.
- If  $R$  is a partial order, is  $S$  a partial order? Prove your answer.

**Problem 5:** (16 points)

Let  $R$  be a relation in a set  $A$ , and derive from  $R$  another relation  $S$  in  $A$  as follows:

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

- Prove that if  $R$  is reflexive, then  $S$  is reflexive.
- Prove that  $S$  is symmetric.
- Prove that if  $R$  is transitive,  $S$  is transitive.
- If  $R$  is antisymmetric, is  $S$  antisymmetric? Prove your answer.
- If  $R$  is an equivalence relation, is  $S$  an equivalence relation? Prove your answer.
- If  $R$  is a partial order, is  $S$  a partial order? Prove your answer.

**Problem 6:** (8 points)

Let  $R$  be a relation in a set  $A$ , and derive from  $R$  another relation  $S$  in  $A$  as follows:

$x S y$  if  $(x R y \text{ xor } y R x)$ .

Recall that **xor**, exclusive or, is defined as:  $p \text{ xor } q$  is true if  $(p$  is true and  $q$  is false, or  $p$  is false and  $q$  is true).

- Prove that  $S$  is irreflexive.
- Prove that  $S$  is symmetric.
- Prove that if  $R$  is transitive,  $S$  is not necessarily transitive (by a counterexample).

**Bonus Problem:** (5 points)

Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  be the set of integers, and  $\mathbb{Q}$  the set of rational numbers, that is,  $\mathbb{Q} = \{\frac{p}{q} \mid p \text{ and } q \text{ are in } \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } q \neq 0\}$ . Let  $\mathbb{Z}^* = \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}$ . Finally, let  $R$  be the following relation in  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*$ :

$(a, b) R (c, d)$  if  $ad = bc$  (that is,  $a$  times  $d = b$  times  $c$ ).

- Prove that  $R$  is an equivalence relation.
- Denote by  $[a, b]$  the equivalence class of element  $(a, b)$ , and let  $E$  be the set of all equivalence classes of  $R$ . Let  $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  be a function where for all  $[a, b]$ ,  $f([a, b]) = \frac{a}{b}$ . Prove that  $f$  is one-to-one and onto.