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Quiz #4 - MATH 271 - L01  
Thursday April 2, 2009

SOLUTIONS

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**Question 1 (5 points)** Let  $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and  $\mathcal{P}(S)$  the power set of  $S$ . A binary relation  $R$  on  $\mathcal{P}(S)$  is defined as follows:

For  $X, Y \in \mathcal{P}(S)$ ,  $XRY \leftrightarrow N(X \cup Y)$  is odd.

[1] a: With justification, determine whether the relation  $R$  is reflexive.

NO. For example.  $\{1, 2\} R \{1, 2\}$   
 since  $N(\{1, 2\} \cup \{1, 2\}) = N(\{1, 2\}) = 2$  is even.

(converse  $\nexists R \nexists$  as well)

[2] b: With justification, determine whether the relation  $R$  is symmetric.

Yes if  $XRY$ , then  $N(X \cup Y)$  is odd  
 But  $X \cup Y = Y \cup X$   
 so  $N(Y \cup X)$  is odd as well  
 so  $YRX$  by definition.

[2] c: With justification, determine whether the relation  $R$  is transitive.

NO. For examp.  
 $X = \{1, 2\}$      $Y = \{2, 3\}$      $Z = \{3, 4\}$   
 then  $X \cup Y = \{1, 2, 3\}$      $N(X \cup Y)$  odd  
 $Y \cup Z = \{2, 3, 4\}$      $N(Y \cup Z)$  odd  
 $X \cup Z = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$      $N(X \cup Z)$  even  
 so  $XRY \wedge YRZ$   
 but  $X \not R Z$ .

Question 2 (5 points) Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a function. Define a binary relation on  $X$  by:

$$x_1 R x_2 \leftrightarrow f(x_1) = f(x_2).$$

[3] a: With justification, show that  $R$  is an equivalence relation on  $X$ .

①  $x R x$  since  $f(x) = f(x)$ .

② If  $x R y$  then  $f(x) = f(y)$   
so  $f(y) = f(x)$ , i.e.  $y R x$ .

③ If  $x R y$  and  $y R z$   
then  $f(x) = f(y)$  and  $f(y) = f(z)$   
so  $f(x) = f(z)$   
i.e.  $x R z$ .

[2] b: Describe the equivalence classes when  $f$  is one-to-one.

For each  $x \in X$

$$\begin{aligned} [x] &= \{y: x R y\} \\ &= \{y: f(x) = f(y)\} \\ &= \{y: x = y\} \text{ since } f \text{ is one-one.} \\ &= \{x\} \end{aligned}$$

so  $[x] = \{x\}$  for each  $x$ .



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$$\text{For } X, Y \in \mathcal{P}(S), XRY \leftrightarrow N(X \cap Y) \text{ is even.}$$

[1] a: With justification, determine whether the relation  $R$  is reflexive.

No For examp let  $x = \{1\}$   
 the  $X \cap X = X = \{1\}$   
 so  $N(X \cap X)$  is odd.  
 $\therefore X \not R X$ .

[2] b: With justification, determine whether the relation  $R$  is symmetric.

Yes. Suppose  $XRY$ ,  $\because N(X \cap Y)$  is even.  
 But  $X \cap Y = Y \cap X$  so  $N(Y \cap X)$  is even  
 $\therefore YRX$ .

[2] c: With justification, determine whether the relation  $R$  is transitive.

No. For examp,  
 let  $X = \{1\}$   $Y = \{2\}$   $Z = \{1, 3\}$   
 $\because X \cap Y = \emptyset = Y \cap Z$  so  $N(X \cap Y) = 0 = N(Y \cap Z)$   
 is even.  
 $\therefore XRY \wedge YRZ$   
 But  $X \cap Z = \{1\}$  is  $N(X \cap Z)$  is odd  
 $\therefore X \not R Z$ .

Question 2 (5 points) Let  $R$  be an equivalence relation on a set  $A$ .

[1] a: For  $a \in A$ , define what is the equivalence class  $[a]$ .

$$[a] = \{b : aRb\}$$

[4] b: For  $a, b \in A$ , prove that  $[a] \cap [b] \neq \emptyset$  implies that  $[a] = [b]$ .

Let  $x \in [a] \cap [b]$ . We prove  $[a] = [b]$   
 So  $aRx$  and  $bRx$ .

or  $[a] \subseteq [b]$

Let  $y \in [a]$  is  $aRy$

for  $bRx$  and  $aRa$  and  $aRy$  (symmetry)

$\therefore bRy$  (transitivity twice)

$\therefore y \in [b]$

b)  $[b] \subseteq [a]$

Let  $y \in [b]$  is  $bRy$

for  $aRx$  and  $aRb$  and  $bRy$  (symmetry)

$\therefore aRy$  (transitivity twice)

$\therefore y \in [a]$

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