

Partial Order

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Recall: equivalence relation

$\text{ER} = \text{reflexive, symmetric, transitive}$

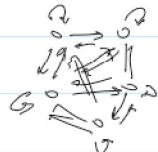
Missing:

5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 16

e.g. Let $|A|=5$, and R is an ER on A with one class

① find $|R|$

$$\therefore |R| = 5 \times 5 = 25$$



$\forall a \in A$

② how many relations are there on A ?

$$2^{25}$$

$[1, 1, 1]$

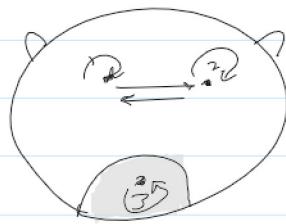
③ How many ER are there on A if $|A|=3$?

(HW)

1] e.g. Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$

$$R = \{(1,2), (1,1), (2,2), (2,1), (3,3)\},$$

is R an ER? find the partitions if so.



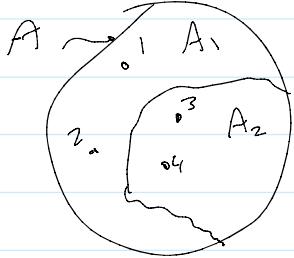
2] Thrm: Given a partition $\{A_i \mid i \in I\}$ of a set A , each set A_i is an equivalence class for the relation induced by this partition.

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

end of § 9.5

§ 9.6 Partial Order

Objective: to define order of elements in a set based on some relation.

e.g.

list your brothers names (R : older than)

take courses in a school (R : prerequisite)

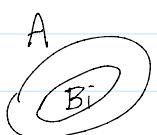
3] Defⁿ. a relation R on A is a partial order if R is reflexive, anti-symmetric, transitive.

Here, (A, R) is called a partially ordered set or poset.

e.g. ① (\mathbb{Z}, \geq) ; $x R y$ iff $x \geq y$

e.g. ② $(P(A), \subseteq)$ for any set A .

e.g. ③ $(\{2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12\}, |)$



$B \subseteq A$

Power set of A

$$P(A) = \{X \mid X \subseteq A\}$$

4] Notation: $x \preceq y$ denotes $x R y$ in (A, R)
or $x \prec y$ if $x R y$ and $x \neq y$.

in e.g. ③

$2 \prec 4$

5] Defⁿ. in a Poset (S, \preceq) , a and b are said to be comparable if $a \preceq b$ or $b \preceq a$, otherwise, a and b are incomparable.

in e.g. ③ 2 and 8 are comparable,
while 6 and 8 are incomparable.

6] Defⁿ. (Total order)

if all elements in a poset (S, \preceq) are comparable, then S is called a totally ordered set, and \preceq is called a total order, (or a linear order)

e.g. (\mathbb{Z}, \leq)

7] Lexicographic order (dictionary order)

for Poset $(A_1 \times A_2 \times A_3 \times \dots \times A_n, \preceq)$; where (A_i, \preceq) is a poset.

then $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \preceq (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ if

$(a_1 \leq b_1)$ or $(a_1 = b_1, \dots, a_i = b_i)$ and $a_{i+1} \leq b_{i+1}$,

we add equality for the same element to set \preceq

e.g. $(\underline{1}, \underline{2}, \underline{3}, 5) \preceq (\underline{1}, \underline{2}, \underline{4}, 2)$

8] Hasse Diagrams

e.g. $(\{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \leq)$

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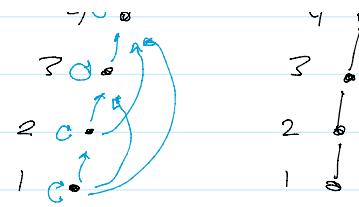
2. remove loops



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3. remove arrows due to transitivity

4. remove arrow heads



e.g.

({2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12}, 1)

