

Relations and Functions



Discrete Structures (CS 173) ^{Magritte}

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Remarks on previous lectures

- Definition of divisibility:

$a \mid b$ if $b = a * n$ for some integer n

provided $a \neq 0$

Tautology

- A *tautology* is a logical formula that is true regardless of values assigned to the terms
 - In case of propositional logic, truth assignments (T, F) to the terms
 - In case of predicate logic, values assigned to the variables.

Examples:

if p then p

$p \wedge \neg p = F$

if $p \wedge \neg p$ then q

Satisfiability

- A logical formula is satisfied by an assignment of values to terms that results in the formula being true
- A logical formula is *satisfiable* if there exists an assignment of values to terms that makes it true.

Example:

if p then True

if p then False

Extended Euclidean Algorithm

gcd (81,57)

$$81 = 1 (57) + 24$$

$$57 = 2 (24) + 9$$

$$24 = 2 (9) + 6$$

$$9 = 1(6) + \mathbf{3}$$

$$6 = 2(3) + 0$$

$$\mathbf{3} = 9 - 1(6)$$

$$\mathbf{3} = 9 - (24 - 2(9))$$

$$= 3(9) - 1(24)$$

$$= 3(57 - 2(24)) - 1(24)$$

$$= 3(57) - 7(24)$$

$$= 3(57) - 7(81 - 1(57))$$

$$\mathbf{3} = 10(57) - 7(81)$$

The gcd(a,b) can be expressed as a *linear combination* of a and b

Inverse in modular arithmetic

y is the inverse of x in (mod n) if

$$x * y \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

Some crypto algorithms require finding this inverse.

An inverse of x in $(\text{mod } n)$ exists iff $\text{gcd}(x, n) \equiv 1$
(why?)

Then: by Extended Euclid's algorithm, there exist p and s such that $p * x + s * n = 1$

So: $p * x = 1 + (-s)n$,

or $p \pmod{n}$ is the inverse of $x \pmod{n}$

Inverse of x in mod and gcd

Claim: An inverse of x in $(\text{mod } n)$ exists iff $\text{gcd}(x, n) = 1$.

Observe: $a \equiv b \pmod{n} \Rightarrow \text{gcd}(a, n) = \text{gcd}(b, n)$ *(why?)*

$xy \equiv 1 \pmod{n} \Rightarrow \text{gcd}(xy, n) = \text{gcd}(1, n)$

But $\text{gcd}(1, n) = 1$, so $\text{gcd}(xy, n) = 1$

Then $\text{gcd}(x, n) = 1$ *(why?)*

GCD and mod

Claim (used on previous page):

$$a \equiv b \pmod{n} \Rightarrow \gcd(a, n) = \gcd(b, n)$$

Proof: $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$

$$\Rightarrow \exists m \in \mathbb{Z} (a = b + m \cdot n)$$

definition

$$\Rightarrow \gcd(a, n) = \gcd(b, n)$$

(why?)

Hint: $\gcd(a, n) \mid a$ and $\gcd(a, n) \mid n$

$$\Rightarrow \gcd(a, n) \mid (a - m \cdot n)$$

$$\Rightarrow \gcd(a, n) \mid b$$

$$\Rightarrow \gcd(a, n) \leq \gcd(b, n)$$

Now apply the argument the other way round to get

$$\gcd(b, n) \leq \gcd(a, n)$$

Thus $\gcd(b, n) = \gcd(a, n)$

Last Class: Sets

A **set** is an unordered collection of objects

grandfather

Madonna

mother

father

Beethoven

sister

my friend

me

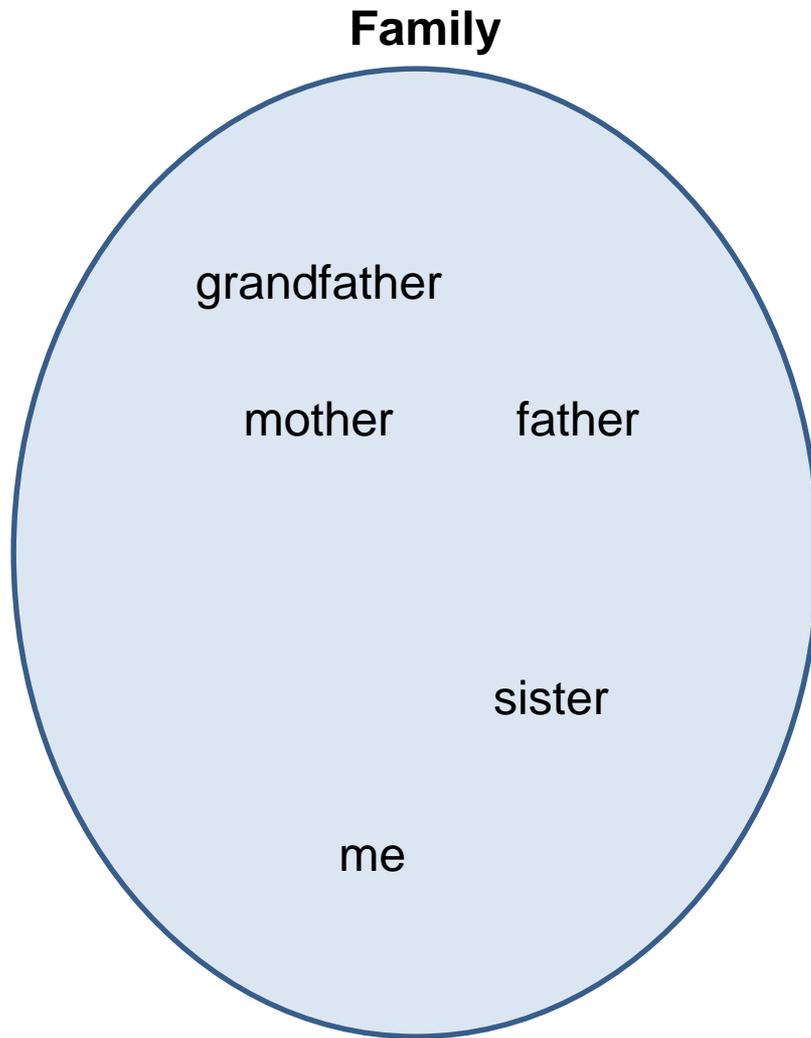
Powersets and Set Difference

A powerset of a set A is the set consisting of all the subsets of A :

$$\mathcal{P}(A) = \{B \mid B \subseteq A\}$$

$A \setminus B$ is an alternate notation for $A - B$

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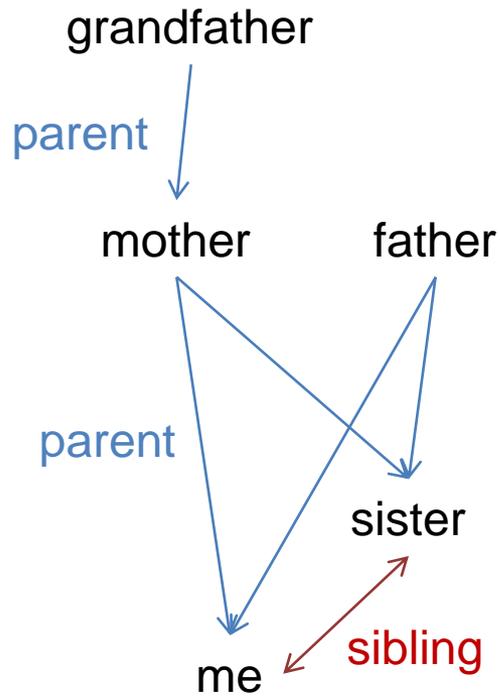


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Today's class: Relations



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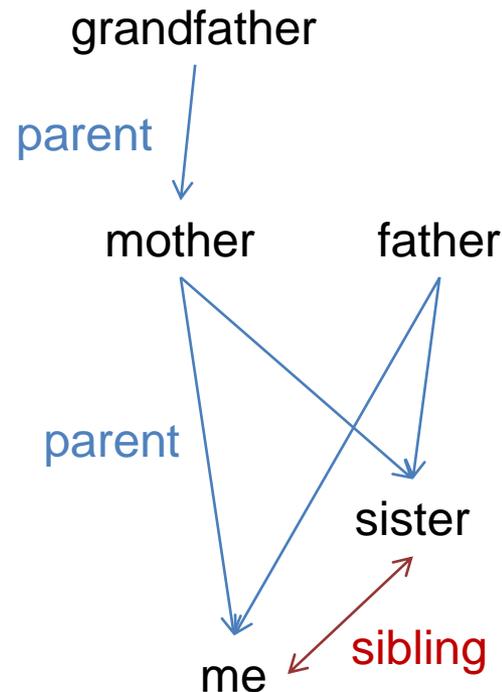
Today's class

- How to represent relations
- Properties and types of relations: reflexive, symmetric, transitive, partial order, etc.
- Practice proofs with relations

Representing relations

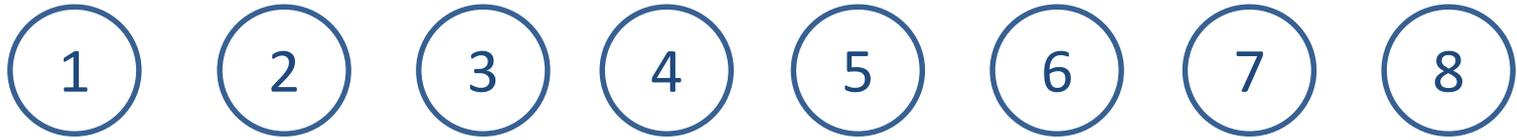
A **relation** R on a set A is a set of ordered pairs of elements from A

- Consider relation P to stand for “parent” on the set of people
 - mother P me
 - $P = \{(grandfather, mother), (mother, me), (father, me), (mother, sister), (father, sister)\}$
- Relation S stands for “sibling”
 - $S = \{(sister, me), (me, sister)\}$

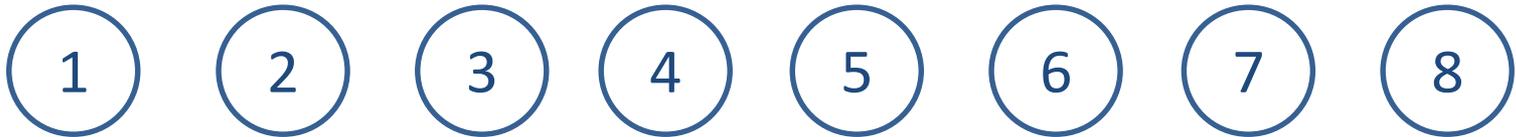


Relations with numbers

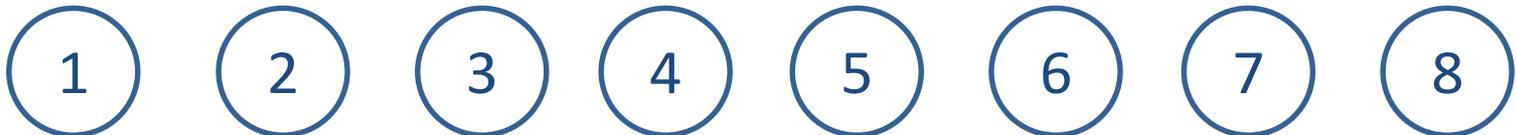
“less than”



“divides”



“congruent mod 3”



Reflexivity

Reflexive: each element relates to itself

For all $x \in A$, xRx

Irreflexive: no element relates to itself

For all $x \in A$, $x\not Rx$

$\not R$ means “ R does not hold”, i.e. $\neg(xRx)$

1. Is irreflexive the negation of reflexive?
2. What is an example of a reflexive familial relation?
3. Is it irreflexive?
4. What is an example of a number relation that is neither?

Symmetry

Symmetric: $\forall x, y \in A, xRy \rightarrow yRx$

Antisymmetric: $\forall x, y \in A$ with $x \neq y, xRy \rightarrow y \not R x$ [1]

or equivalently: $\forall x, y \in A, xRy \wedge yRx \rightarrow x = y$ [2]

(show that the definition [1] holds iff [2] holds)

What is an example of a symmetric familial relation?

Antisymmetric?

Neither?

Transitivity

Transitive: $\forall x, y, z \in A, xRy \wedge yRz \rightarrow xRz$

What is an example of a familial relation that is transitive? Not transitive?

Practice identifying relation properties

	All to self Reflexive	None to self Irreflexive	If one way then both Symmetric	Never both ways if not same Antisymmetric	if $x \rightarrow y \rightarrow z$, $x \rightarrow z$ Transitive
“less than”					
“divides”					
“congruent mod k”					
“is square of”					

Disproof of transitive

Claim: “is square of” is not transitive.

Definition: Relation R on set A is transitive iff $\forall x, y, z \in A, xRy \wedge yRz \rightarrow xRz$

Proof of antisymmetric

Claim: “is square of” is antisymmetric.

Definition: Relation R on set A is antisymmetric if $\forall x, y \in A$ with $x \neq y$, $xRy \rightarrow y \not R x$,
or equivalently $\forall x, y \in A$, $xRy \wedge yRx \rightarrow x = y$

Types of relations

Partial order: reflexive, antisymmetric, transitive

Linear order: partial order in which every pair of elements is comparable: $\forall x, y \in A, xRy$ or yRx

Strict partial order: irreflexive, antisymmetric, transitive

Equivalence relation: reflexive, symmetric, transitive

Equivalence example

Relation C on R^2 : $(x, y)C(a, b)$ iff $x^2 + y^2 = a^2 + b^2$

$[(0,1)]_C$ contains all points on the unit circle

Proof of equivalence

Claim: “congruent mod k ” is an equivalence relation

Definition: An equivalence relation is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive

Next Lecture..

- Final remarks on relations
- Functions and more functions