

Discrete Mathematics in Computer Science

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Exercise Sheet 4

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The proofs on this exercise sheet are not hard, but you have to be careful about what properties you actually need to prove. We advise you to carefully re-read the definitions from the lecture before writing your proof.

Exercise 4.1 (1 mark)

Consider the partition

$$P = \{\{1, 4\}, \{2\}, \{3, 5, 6\}\}$$

over $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$. Specify the equivalence relation R_P induced by P .

Exercise 4.2 (2 marks)

Prove the following statement:

Let P be a partition of set S . Then every $x \in S$ is an element of *exactly one* $X \in P$.

Exercise 4.3 (2 marks)

Specify a relation over \mathbb{N}_0 with the required properties or explain why such a relation cannot exist.

- (a) A partial order where each element is both minimal and maximal.
- (b) A strict order with a least element but no minimal element.

Exercise 4.4 (2 marks)

Let R be a total order over a finite set S and let $S' = S \cup \{a\}$ for some $a \notin S$.

Prove that

$$R' = R \cup R_a \text{ with } R_a = \{(a, i) \mid i \in S'\}$$

is a total order over S' .

Hint: You need to prove four properties.

Exercise 4.5 (3 marks)

Consider the following relations over \mathbb{N}_0 :

$$R_1 = \{(x, 2x) \mid x \in \mathbb{N}_0\}$$

$$R_2 = \{(x, y) \mid x \in \mathbb{N}_0, y \in \mathbb{N}_0, x + y \text{ is odd}\}$$

Describe each of the relations described below as a set using set-builder notation.

- (a) $R_2 \circ R_1$
- (b) R_1^+
- (c) $R_1 \cap \overline{R_2}$

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