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**Please write in pen and only in the box marked “Answer”.**

This is a closed-book exam. No computers or calculators are allowed.

**Question 1: [10 marks]**

- a) An employee joined a company in 2009 with a starting salary of \$50,000. Every year this employee receives a raise of \$1000 plus 5% of the salary of the previous year. Find a recurrence relation for the salary of this employee  $n$  years after 2009.

<p><b>Answer:</b></p> <p>Let <math>a_n</math> be the salary <math>n</math> years after 2009</p> <p><math>a_n = 1.05 a_{n-1} + 1000</math> with <math>a_0 = 50,000</math></p>
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- b) The following is the recurrence relation for a divide-and-conquer algorithm:

$$f(n) = 2 f(n / 2) + 4$$

Use ‘Theorem 1’, given below, to construct a Big-Oh estimate for  $f(n)$ .

Show the intermediate steps.

**Theorem 1:** Let  $f$  be an increasing function that satisfies the recurrence relation

$f(n) = a f(n / b) + c$ , whenever  $n$  is divisible by  $b$ , where  $a \geq 1$ ,  $b$  is an integer greater than 1, and  $c$  is a positive real number. Then  $f(n)$  is:

$$O(n^{\log_b a}) \text{ if } a > 1$$

$$O(\log n) \text{ if } a = 1$$

<p><b>Answer:</b></p> <p><math>a = 2</math> and <math>b = 2</math></p> <p>Since <math>a &gt; 1</math>, we have <math>O(n^{\log_2 2}) = O(n)</math></p>
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**Question 2: [10 marks]**

a) [8 marks] Determine whether the relation  $R$  on the set of all real numbers is reflexive, symmetric, asymmetric, and/or antisymmetric, where  $(x,y) \in R$  if and only if  $x = 2y$ . Justify each answer with a brief explanation.

**Answer:**

**Not reflexive**, since it is not usually true that  $aRa$ , i.e.,  $x = 2x$ . For instance,  $1 \neq 2 \times 1$

**Not symmetric**, since it is not usually true that if  $aRb$  then  $bRa$ , i.e., if  $x = 2y$  then  $y = 2x$   
For instance,  $2 = 2 \times 1$ , but  $1 \neq 2 \times 2$

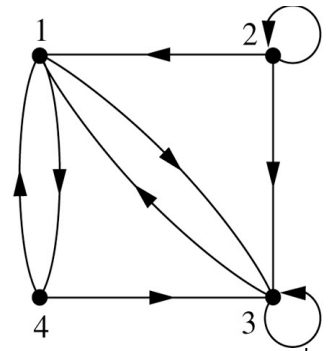
**Not asymmetric**, although it is usually true that if  $a$  is related to  $b$ , then  $b$  is not related to  $a$ , i.e., usually if  $x = 2y$  then  $y \neq 2x$ .  
However, if  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0$ , then  $a = 2b$  and  $b = 2a$

$R$  is **antisymmetric**, since if  $aRb$  and  $bRa$ , then  $a = b$   
Suppose  $x = 2y$  and  $y = 2x$ .  
Then  $y = 4y$ , from which it follows that  $y = 0$  and hence  $x = 0$ .  
Thus the only time when  $xRy$  and  $yRx$  is when  $x = y$ .

b) [2 marks] Let  $R$  be the relation on the set of people consisting of pairs  $(a,b)$ , where  $a$  is a parent of  $b$ . Let  $S$  be the relation the set of people consisting of pairs  $(a,b)$  where  $a$  and  $b$  are siblings (brothers or sisters). What is  $R \circ S$  ?

**Answer:**

$a$  is an aunt or uncle of  $c$



**Question 3: [10 marks]**

a) [4 marks] Determine whether the relation  $R$  represented by this directed graph is reflexive, symmetric, antisymmetric and/or transitive. Justify each answer with a brief explanation.

**Answer:**

**Not reflexive**, since there is not a loop at each vertex, e.g., there is no edge  $(1,1)$

**Not symmetric**, since there is not always an edge  $(b,a)$  for every edge  $(a,b)$ , e.g., there is an edge  $(2,1)$ , but no edge  $(1,2)$

**Not antisymmetric**, since there is sometimes both an edge  $(a,b)$  and edge  $(b,a)$  for distinct vertices  $a$  and  $b$ , e.g., there is both an edge  $(1,3)$  and an edge  $(3,1)$

**Not transitive**, since for every edge  $(a,b)$  and edge  $(b,c)$ , there is not always an edge  $(a,c)$ . For instance, there is an edge  $(2,1)$  and an edge  $(1,4)$ , but no edge  $(2,4)$ .

b) [6 marks] Let  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  be relations on a set  $A = \{1,2,3\}$ .

$R_1 = \{ (1,2), (2,1), (2,2), (2,3), (3,1) \}$  and  $R_2 = \{ (1,2), (2,2), (2,3), (3,1), (3,2), (3,3) \}$ .

**Answer:**

i) Represent each of these relations with a matrix with the elements of  $A$  listed in increasing order.

Matrix for  $R_1$  contains:

0	1	0
1	1	1
1	0	0

Matrix for  $R_2$  contains:

0	1	0
0	1	1
1	1	1

ii) Find the matrix that represents  $R_1 \cap R_2$

The matrix of the intersection is formed by taking the meet:

0	1	0
0	1	1
1	0	0

iii) Find the matrix that represents  $R_2 \circ R_1$

The matrix is the Boolean product of the matrix for  $R_1$  and the matrix for  $R_2$ :

0	1	1
1	1	1
0	1	0

**Question 4: [10 marks]** Let  $R$  be the following relation on the set  $\{x,y,z\}$ :

$$\{(x,x), (x,z), (y,y), (z,x), (z,y)\}$$

Use the **0-1 matrix** representation for relations to find the transitive closure of  $R$ . Show the formula used to find the transitive closure of  $R$  from its 0-1 matrix representation and show the matrices in the intermediate steps in the algorithm, as well as the result matrix.

**Answer:**

The matrix for  $R$ ,  $M_R$ , contains

$$\begin{matrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{matrix}$$

The formula for the transitive closure of  $R$  is:

$$R^* = R \cup R^2 \cup R^3$$

The formula used to find the transitive closure of  $R$  from its 0-1 matrix is:

$$M_{R^*} = M_R \vee M_R^{[2]} \vee M_R^{[3]}$$

$M_R^{[2]}$  is the Boolean product of  $M_R$  and itself:

$$\begin{matrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{matrix}$$

$M_R^{[3]}$  is the Boolean product of  $M_R$  and  $M_R^{[2]}$ :

$$\begin{matrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{matrix}$$

$M_{R^*} = M_R \vee M_R^{[2]} \vee M_R^{[3]}$  :

$$\begin{matrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{matrix}$$

Therefore,  $R^* = \{(x,x), (x,y), (x,z), (y,y), (z,x), (z,y), (z,z)\}$