

# MA2185 Discrete Mathematics

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## 1.1 Propositional Logic

Negation  $\neg p$ , Conjunction  $p \wedge q$ , Disjunction  $p \vee q$ , Exclusive or  $p \oplus q$

Conditional statement  $p \rightarrow q$

$p$  is called the **hypothesis** (or antecedent or premise) 假設/前提

$q$  is called the **conclusion** (or consequence) 結論/結果

Biconditional statement  $p \leftrightarrow q$

## 1.3 Propositional Equivalences

Always true, **tautology** (重言式) Always false, **contradiction**(矛盾式)

Neither a tautology nor contradiction, **contingency**(可能式)

Logically equivalent,  $p \equiv q$ , if  $p \leftrightarrow q$  is a tautology

**De Morgan's Laws**

$$\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$$

$$\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$$

## 1.4 Predicates and Quantifiers

Universal quantifier  $\forall$ , Existential quantification  $\exists$

Counterexample 反例

$$\neg \forall x P(x) \equiv \exists x \neg P(x)$$

$$\neg \exists x Q(x) \equiv \forall x \neg Q(x)$$

## 1.6 Rules of Inference

[命題邏輯 Logical Equivalences 邏輯等價, Rules of Inference 推理規則](#)

## 2.1 Sets

a is element of set A,  $a \in A$

$N = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ , the set of natural numbers 自然數

$Z = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ , the set of integers 整數

$Q = \{p/q \mid p \in Z, q \in Z, \text{ and } q \neq 0\}$ , the set of rational numbers 有理數

$R$ , the set of real numbers 實數

$C$ , the set of complex numbers 虛數

Closed interval  $[a, b]$ , open interval  $(a, b)$

A and B are **equal** if and only if  $\forall x(x \in A \leftrightarrow x \in B)$

Set A is **subset** of set B,  $A \subseteq B$ ,  $\forall x(x \in A \rightarrow x \in B)$

$A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq A$ , then  $A = B$

For every set S,  $\emptyset \subseteq S$  and  $S \subseteq S$

S is **finite set**, n distinct elements, n is **cardinality (基數)** of |S|

Power set of S is the set of all subsets of the set S. denoted P(S)

e.g.  $P(\{0, 1, 2\}) = \{\emptyset, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{0, 1\}, \{0, 2\}, \{1, 2\}, \{0, 1, 2\}\}$

**Cartesian product (笛卡爾積)**,  $A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \wedge b \in B\}$

**Truth set**,  $\{x \in D \mid P(x)\}$

## 2.2 Set Operations

**Union**  $A \cup B$ , **Intersection**  $A \cap B$ , **Difference**  $A - B$ , **Complement**  $\bar{A}$

$$|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$$

Two sets are called disjoint if their intersection is the empty set.

## 2.3 Functions

### [One-to-one, Injunction]

$f(a) = f(b)$  implies that  $a = b$  for all  $a$  and  $b$  in the domain of  $f$ .

$$\forall a \forall b (f(a) = f(b) \rightarrow a = b), \quad \forall a \forall b (a \neq b \rightarrow f(a) \neq f(b))$$

### [Onto, Surjection]

For every element  $b \in B$  there an element  $a \in A$  with  $f(a) = b$

$$\forall y \exists x (f(x) = y), \quad \text{where } x \text{ is the domain and } y \text{ is the codomain}$$

### [One-to-one correspondence, Bijection] Both one-to-one and onto

[Increasing]  $f(x) \leq f(y)$ , [Strictly increasing]  $f(x) < f(y)$

[Decreasing]  $f(x) \geq f(y)$ , [Strictly decreasing]  $f(x) > f(y)$

[Composition of functions]  $(f \circ g)(a) = f(g(a))$

If  $f$  and  $g$  are injective/surjective, then  $f \circ g$  is injective/surjective.

[Identity functions]  $Id_A(a) = a$

[Inverse functions]  $f: A \rightarrow B, f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$

$f$  is injective,  $g \circ f = Id_A$ ,  $f$  is surjective,  $f \circ g = Id_B$

$f$  is bijective,  $g \circ f = Id_A$  and  $f \circ g = Id_B$

Let  $f$  be a function from the set  $A$  to the set  $B$ . The **graph** of the function  $f$  is the set of ordered pairs  $\{(a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } f(a) = b\}$ .

A **partial function**  $f$  from set  $A$  to set  $B$  is an assignment to each element  $a$  in a subset of  $A$ , called the domain of definition of  $f$ , of a unique element  $b$  in  $B$ . The sets  $A$  and  $B$  are called the **domain** and **codomain** of  $f$ , respectively. We say that  $f$  is undefined for elements in  $A$  that are not in the domain of definition of  $f$ . When the domain of definition of  $f$  equals  $A$ , we say that  $f$  is a **total function**

## 9.1 Relations and Their Properties

Let A and B be sets. A **binary relation** from A to B is a subset of  $A \times B$ .

A **relation** on a set A is a relation from A to A

### [Reflexive]

$(a, a) \in R$  for every element  $a \in A$ ,

$\forall a((a, a) \in R)$ , where the universe of discourse is the set of all elements in A.

### [Symmetric]

$(b, a) \in R$  whenever  $(a, b) \in R$ , for all  $a, b \in A$

$\forall a \forall b((a, b) \in R \rightarrow (b, a) \in R)$

### [Antisymmetric]

For all  $a, b \in A$ , if  $(a, b) \in R$  with  $a \neq b$ , then  $(b, a) \notin R$

if  $(a, b) \in R$  and  $(b, a) \in R$ , then  $a = b$

$\forall a \forall b(((a, b) \in R \wedge (b, a) \in R) \rightarrow (a = b))$

### [Transitive]

$(a, b) \in R$  and  $(b, c) \in R$ , then  $(a, c) \in R$ , for all  $a, b, c \in A$ .

$\forall a \forall b \forall c(((a, b) \in R \wedge (b, c) \in R) \rightarrow (a, c) \in R)$

### [Composite]

Let R is A to B and S is B to C. The composite of R and S is the relation consisting of ordered pairs  $(a, c)$ , where  $a \in A$ ,  $c \in C$ , and for which there exists an element  $b \in B$  such that  $(a, b) \in R$  and  $(b, c) \in S$ . We denote the composite of R and S by  $S \circ R$

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

$S = \{(1, 0), (2, 0), (3, 1), (3, 2), (4, 1)\}$

$S \circ R = \{(1, 0), (1, 1), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 0), (3, 1)\}$

## 9.3 Representing Relations

matrix  $M_R = [m_{ij}]$

$$m_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (a_i, b_j) \in R, \\ 0 & \text{if } (a_i, b_j) \notin R. \end{cases}$$

R is symmetric if and only if  $M_R = (M_R)^t$

R is antisymmetric relation that  $m_{ij} = 0$  or  $m_{ji} = 0$  when  $i \neq j$

$$\mathbf{M}_{R_1 \cup R_2} = \mathbf{M}_{R_1} \vee \mathbf{M}_{R_2} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{M}_{R_1 \cap R_2} = \mathbf{M}_{R_1} \wedge \mathbf{M}_{R_2}.$$

$$\mathbf{M}_{S \circ R} = \mathbf{M}_R \odot \mathbf{M}_S.$$

$$\mathbf{M}_{R^n} = \mathbf{M}_R^{[n]},$$

A **directed graph**, or **digraph**, consists of a set V of **vertices** (or **nodes**) together with a set E of ordered pairs of elements of V called **edges** (or **arcs**). The vertex a is called the **initial vertex** of the edge (a, b), and the vertex b is called the **terminal vertex** of this edge.

Symmetric: every edge we also have the reverse edge

Antisymmetric: which is not a loop, then we don't have the reverse edge

Transitive: if two consecutive edges, then we also have "combination"

## 9.5 Equivalence Relations

**[Equivalence]** Reflexive, symmetric, and transitive

**[Equivalent]** Two elements  $a, b$  related by equivalence relation, denote  $a \sim b$

**[Equivalence Class]**

The set of all elements that are related to an element  $a$  of  $A$  is called the equivalence class of  $a$ . Denoted by  $[a]_R$

$$[a]_R = \{ s \mid (a, s) \in R \}$$

**[Representative]**

If  $b \in [a]_R$ , then  $b$  is called a representative of this equivalence class.

## 9.6 Partial Orderings

**[Partial ordering]** Reflexive, antisymmetric, and transitive

**[Partially ordered set, Poset]**

Set  $S$  with partial ordering  $R$  called partially ordered set, or poset, denoted  $(S, R)$

$\leq$  denote relation in any poset, When  $a$  and  $b$  are elements of the poset  $(S, \leq)$ , it is not necessary that either  $a \leq b$  or  $b \leq a$ .

Elements  $a, b$  of poset  $(S, \leq)$  called **comparable** if either  $a \leq b$  or  $b \leq a$ .

$a$  and  $b$  are called **incomparable**, neither  $a \leq b$  nor  $b \leq a$

When every two elements in set are comparable, relation called **total ordering**

If  $(S, \leq)$  is poset and every two elements of  $S$  are comparable,  $S$  is called a **totally ordered** or **linearly ordered set**, and  $\leq$  is called a **total order** or a **linear order**. A totally ordered set also called **chain**.

$(S, \leq)$  is **well-ordered set** if it is poset that  $\leq$  is a total ordering and every nonempty subset of  $S$  has a least element.

## [THE PRINCIPLE OF WELL-ORDERED INDUCTION]

S is a well-ordered set. Then  $P(x)$  is true for all  $x \in S$ , if

**INDUCTIVE STEP:** For every  $y \in S$ , if  $P(x)$  true for all  $x \in S$  with  $x < y$ , then  $P(y)$  true

## [Lexicographic Order]

$(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) < (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$  if  $a_1 = b_1 \dots a_n = b_n$ , and  $a_{i+1} <_{i+1} b_{i+1}$

## [Hasse Diagrams]

1. Remove all loops since partial ordering is reflexive, a loop  $(a, a)$  is present at every vertex  $a$ .
2. Remove all edges  $(x, y)$  since there an element  $z \in S$  such that  $x < z$  and  $z < x$
3. Arrange each edge that initial vertex below terminal vertex
4. Remove all the arrows on the directed edges

Let  $(S, \leq)$  be poset. element  $y \in S$  **covers** element  $x \in S$  if  $x < y$  and no element  $z \in S$  that  $x < z < y$ . The pairs  $(x, y)$  that  $y$  covers  $x$  called **covering relation** of  $(S, \leq)$

**[Maximal]**  $a$  is maximal in the poset  $(S, \leq)$  if there is no  $b \in S$  such that  $a < b$

**[Minimal]**  $a$  is minimal if there is no element  $b \in S$  such that  $b < a$

**[Greatest element]** greater than every other element in poset

**[Least element]** less than all other elements in poset



### [Upper bound]

If  $u$  is element of  $S$  that  $a \leq u$  for all elements  $a \in A$ ,  $u$  is called upper bound of  $A$

### [Lower bound]

If  $l$  is element of  $S$  that  $l \leq a$  for all elements  $a \in A$ ,  $l$  is called lower bound of  $A$

**[Least upper bound]** Less than every other upper bound

**[Greatest lower bound]** Greater than every other lower bound

**[Lattice]** both a least upper bound and a greatest lower bound

### [Topological Sorting]

Total ordering  $\leq$  is **compatible** with partial ordering  $R$  if  $a \leq b$  whenever  $aRb$ .

Constructing compatible total ordering from partial ordering called topological sorting

## 5.1 Mathematical Induction

Prove  $P(n)$  is true for all positive integers  $n$ , where  $P(n)$  is a propositional function

**BASIS STEP:** We verify that  $P(1)$  is true.

**INDUCTIVE STEP:** Show that conditional statement  $P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$  is true for all positive integers  $k$ .

Assume that  $P(k)$  is true and show under this assumption,  $P(k+1)$  be true

**Example:** Let  $P(n)$  be  $1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + n^3 = (n(n+1)/2)^2$  for positive integer  $n$

$$P(1) : 1 = (1(1+1)/2)^2$$

$$RHS : (1(1+1)/2)^2 = 1 = LHS$$

So  $P(1)$  is true

Assume that  $P(k)$  is true,

$$1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3 = (k(k+1)/2)^2$$

Note that  $P(k+1)$  is

$$1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k+1)^3 = ((k+1)(k+2)/2)^2$$

and then

$$\begin{aligned} 1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k+1)^3 &= (k(k+1)/2)^2 + (k+1)^3 \\ &= k^2(k+1)^2/4 + (k+1)^3 \\ &= (k+1)^2(k^2/4 + (k+1)) \\ &= (k+1)^2(k+2)^2/4 \\ &= ((k+1)(k+2)/2)^2 \\ &= P(k+1) \end{aligned}$$

It shows  $P(k+1)$  is true when  $P(k)$  is true

By mathematical induction,  $P(n)$  is true for all positive integers  $n$

### 5.3 Recursive Definitions and Structural Induction

Define function with set of nonnegative integers domain:

**BASIS STEP:** Specify value of function at zero

**RECURSIVE STEP:** Give a rule for finding its value at an integer from its values at smaller integers

It is called **recursive** or **inductive definition**

**[Arithmetic sequence]**  $a_n = a_{n-1} + d$        $a_n = a_0 + nd$

**[Geometric sequence]**  $a_n = c a_{n-1}$        $a_n = c^n a_0$

**[Compound interest]**  $P_n = r^n P_0$

## 8.2 Solving Linear Recurrence Relations

### Linear homogeneous recurrence relation of degree k with constant coefficients

$$a_n = c_1 a_{n-1} + c_2 a_{n-2} + \dots + c_k a_{n-k}$$

where  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$  are real numbers with  $c_k \neq 0$

**[Linear]**  $a_k$  power by 1

**[Homogeneous]** all arguments multiple by some  $a_k$

**[Degree k]**  $a_n$  depends on the kth preceding term

**[Constant coefficients]** all coefficients are constants

**[Characteristic equation]**

$$r^k - c_1 r^{k-1} - c_2 r^{k-2} \dots c_{k-1} r - c_k = 0$$

**[Characteristic roots]** roots of characteristic equation

Solution of degree two:

$$a_n = c_1 a_{n-1} + c_2 a_{n-2}$$

$$r^2 - c_1 r - c_2 = 0, \text{ we have } r_1, r_2 (r_1 \neq r_2)$$

$$a_n = a_1 r_1^n + a_2 r_2^n$$

Solution of degree two with same r root:

$$r^2 - c_1 r - c_2 = 0, \text{ we have } r_0$$

$$a_n = a_1 r_0^n + a_2 n r_0^n$$

Solution of degree k with distinct r roots:

$$a_n = c_1 a_{n-1} + c_2 a_{n-2} + \dots + c_k a_{n-k}$$

$$r^k - c_1 r^{k-1} - \dots - c_k = 0, \text{ we have } r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k (\text{distinct roots})$$

$$a_n = a_1 r_1^n + a_2 r_2^n + \dots + a_k r_k^n$$

General solution of linear homogeneous recurrence relations with constant coefficients:

$r^k - c_1 r^{k-1} - \dots - c_k = 0$ , we have  $t$  distinct roots

the root multiply by  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_t$  times

$$m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_t = k$$

$$a_n = (a_{1,0} + a_{1,1}n + \dots + a_{1,m_1-1}n^{m_1-1})r_1^n + (a_{2,0} + a_{2,1}n + \dots + a_{2,m_2-1}n^{m_2-1})r_2^n + \dots + (a_{t,0} + a_{t,1}n + \dots + a_{t,m_t-1}n^{m_t-1})r_t^n$$

where  $a_{i,j}$  are  $1 \leq i \leq t$  and  $0 \leq j \leq m_j - 1$

$$a_n = \sum_{i=1}^t \left( \sum_{j=0}^{m_i-1} a_{i,j} n^j \right) r_i^n$$

Nonhomogeneous linear recurrence relation with constant coefficients

$$a_n = c_1 a_{n-1} + c_2 a_{n-2} + \dots + c_k a_{n-k} + F(n)$$

$\{a_n^{(p)}\}$  is a particular solution of the nonhomogeneous linear recurrence relation with constant coefficients

$\{a_n^{(h)}\}$  is a solution of the associated homogeneous recurrence relation

$$a_n = a_n^{(p)} + a_n^{(h)}$$

Format of  $F(n)$ :  $F(n) = (b_t n^t + b_{t-1} n^{t-1} + \dots + b_1 n + b_0) s^n$

When  $s$  is not a root of the characteristic equation of the associated linear homogeneous recurrence relation, there is a particular solution of the form

$$a_n^{(p)} = (p_t n^t + p_{t-1} n^{t-1} + \dots + p_1 n + p_0) s^n$$

When  $s$  is a root of this characteristic equation and its multiplicity is  $m$ , there is a particular solution of the form

$$a_n^{(p)} = n^m (p_t n^t + p_{t-1} n^{t-1} + \dots + p_1 n + p_0) s^n$$

## 6.1 The Basics of Counting

$A_k$  is set of ways

There are  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k$ ,  $n$  is number of ways,  $k$  is number of task

**[Product rule]**  $|A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_k| = |A_1| |A_2| \dots |A_k| = n_1 n_2 \dots n_k$

**[Sum rule]**  $|A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_k| = |A_1| + |A_2| + \dots + |A_k| = n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_k$

**[Subtraction Rule]**  $|A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2|$

**[Division Rule]** If finite set  $A$  is the union of  $n$  pairwise disjoint subsets each with  $d$  elements, then  $n = |A| / d$

Counting problems can solved by **tree diagrams**

**[Pigeonhole principle]**

Assume that

**pigeons:**  $n + 1$  objects are placed into

**pigeonholes:**  $n$  boxes

At least one box contains two or more objects

## 6.3 Permutations and Combinations

$$P(n, r) = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

$$C(n, r) = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!}$$

$$\binom{n}{r} = \binom{n}{n-r}$$

## 6.4 Binomial Coefficients and Identities

$$(x + y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} = 2^n$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^j \binom{n}{j} = 0$$

$$\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k} + \binom{n-1}{k-1}$$