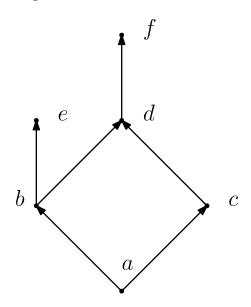
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**Problem 1.** The picture below can describes a relation R, where  $(x, y) \in R$  means that there is a way to get from x to y using the arrows. Write down all the pairs which are in R.



**Problem 2.** Use induction (or strong induction) to prove the following:

1. 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} i(i+1) = \frac{1}{3}n(n+1)(n+2).$$

2. If  $a_0 = 1, a_1 = 3$  and  $\forall n \ge 2, a_n = 2a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}$  then  $\forall n \ge 0, a_n = 2n + 1$ 

**Problem 3.** Consider the relations on people "is a brother of", "is a sibling of", "is a parent of", "is married to", "is a descendant of". Which of the properties of reflexivity, symmetry, antisymmetry and transitivity do each of these relations have?

**Problem 4.** Let  $f: X \to Y$ ,  $g: Y \to Z$  be surjective functions. Prove that then  $g \circ f: X \to Z$  is surjective as well. Find an example where  $g \circ f$  is surjective but one of the functions f, g is not.

**Problem 5.** Give a relation R over the set of natural numbers  $\mathbb{N}$  such that  $R \setminus \{(i, i) | i \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is infinite and R is:

- 1. reflexive, symmetric and transitive.
- 2. reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive.

**Problem 6.** Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a function and prove that:

1. f is injective if and only if there is a function  $g: Y \to X$  such that  $g \circ f$  is the identity on X.

2. f is surjective if and only if there is a function  $g: Y \to X$  such that  $f \circ g$  is the identity on Y.

**Problem 7.** \* Let R be a relation on a set X. Prove that R is transitive if and only if  $R \circ R \subseteq R$ 

**Problem 8.** \* Let R, S be two equivalence relations on a set X. Prove that  $R \circ S$  is an equivalence relation if and only if  $R \circ S = S \circ R$ 

**Problem 9.** (*HW*) Let  $f : A \to A$  be a function different from identity such that  $f \circ f \circ f = f \circ f$ . Prove that f is neither injective nor surjective. *Hint: Use contradiction and Problem 6!* 

**Problem 10.** (*HW*) Let R, S be two equivalence relations on a set X. Which of the following are also equivalence relations? Prove your claims!

- 1.  $R \cup S$
- 2.  $R \cap S$

**Problem 11.** (*HW*) Fibonacci numbers are defined as follows:  $F_0 = 0$ ,  $F_1 = 1$ ,  $F_{n+1} = F_n + F_{n-1}$  for  $n \ge 1$ . Prove the following:

- 1.  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} F_i = F_{n+2} 1$
- 2.  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} F_i^2 = F_n F_{n+1}$

## Hint: Your proof should use induction!