

## Homework 11 Morally Due May 5

1. (0 points) Where and when is the final?
2. (40 points) For each of the following problems either find the  $a, b$  requested OR show that its NOT POSSIBLE. You must prove your answer in all cases.
  - (a) Find an  $a, b$  with  $a < b$  such that the following holds: For all 2-colorings of the  $a \times b$  grid there exists at least TWO mono rectangles. (They do not have to be the same color but they could be.)
  - (b) Find an  $a, b$  with  $a < b$  such that the following holds: For all 2-colorings of the  $a \times b$  grid there exists at least TWO mono rectangles OF THE SAME COLOR.
  - (c) Find an  $a, b$  with  $a < b$  such that the following holds: For all 2-colorings of the  $a \times b$  grid there exists at least TWO mono rectangles OF DIFFERENT COLORS.

### SOLUTION TO PROBLEM TWO

a)

ANSWER ONE:

Let  $a = 4$ . We will determine  $b$  later. Any 2-coloring of a column leads to either

- (a) Some color occurring  $\geq 3$  times, or
- (b) Two colors that both occur twice.

If two columns are colored the same then one of the following occurs:

- The columns are of type 1 above. Then it will look like this (or variants that are essentially the same).

...	$R$	...	$R$	...
...	$R$	...	$R$	...
...	$R$	...	$R$	...
...	$B$	...	$B$	...

Note that there are actually 3 mono rectangles.

- The columns are of type 2 above. Then it will look like this (or variants that are essentially the same).

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} \dots & R & \dots & R & \dots & \\ \dots & R & \dots & R & \dots & \\ \dots & B & \dots & B & \dots & \\ \dots & B & \dots & B & \dots & \end{array}$$

Note that there are 2 mono rectangles.

We take  $b = 2^4 + 1 = 17$ . This guarantees a repeat column color and hence at least 2 mono rectangles.

ANSWER TWO Recall that no matter how you 2-color a  $3 \times 7$  there will be a mono rectangle. So no matter how you color a  $3 \times 14$  grid there will be two mono rectangles.

b)

ANSWER ONE:

If  $a = 5$  and  $b = 2^5 + 1 = 33$  then we will have two columns that are the same color. The column itself will have three of the same color. So we get something like this:

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} \dots & R & \dots & R & \dots & \\ \dots & R & \dots & R & \dots & \\ \dots & R & \dots & R & \dots & \\ \dots & B & \dots & B & \dots & \\ \dots & B & \dots & B & \dots & \end{array}$$

This has three rectangles OF THE SAME COLOR.

ANSWER TWO: Recall that no matter how you 2-color a  $3 \times 7$  there will be a mono rectangle. So no matter how you color a  $3 \times 21$  grid there will be three mono rectangles. Two of them have to be the same color.

c) This is not possible. Assume that  $a, b$  satisfy this property. Color  $a \times b$  ALL RED. There will not be two DIFFERENT colored rectangles.

3. (30 points)

- (a) Show that there is no 1-1, onto, ORDER-PRESERVING function  $f$  from  $\mathbf{N}$  to  $\mathbf{Q}$ . (A function is ORDER-PRESERVING if  $x < y$  implies  $f(x) < f(y)$ ).
- (b) Show that there is no 1-1, onto, ORDER-PRESERVING (defined later) function  $f$  from  $\mathbf{Q}$  to  $\mathbf{N}$ . (A function is ORDER-PRESERVING if  $x < y$  implies  $f(x) < f(y)$ ).

### SOLUTION TO PROBLEM THREE

a) Assume, by way of contradiction, that  $f$  is an order preserving bijection from  $\mathbf{N}$  to  $\mathbf{Q}$ .

Let  $f(0) = \alpha$  and  $f(1) = \beta$ . Let  $\gamma = \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2}$ . Note that  $\alpha < \gamma < \beta$ .

Since  $f$  is onto there exists a natural number  $a$  that maps to  $\gamma$ . Since  $\alpha < \gamma < \beta$ . and the function  $f$  is order preserving, the number  $a$  must be a natural number strictly between 0 and 1. There is no such number. Contradiction.

b) If there was an order-pres bijection from  $\mathbf{Q}$  to  $\mathbf{N}$  then its inverse is an order-pres bijection from  $\mathbf{N}$  to  $\mathbf{Q}$ . By part a this cannot exist.

### END OF SOLUTION TO PROBLEM THREE

4. (30 points) For each of the following relations  $R$ , answer and prove all of the following questions: (1) is  $R$  reflexive? (2) is  $R$  symmetric? (3) is  $R$  transitive?

You must PROVE all of your assertions.

- (a) Relation is over the set  $\mathbf{R}$ .  $R(x, y)$  iff  $|x - y| \geq 1$ .
- (b) Relation is over the set  $\mathbf{R}$ .  $R(x, y)$  iff  $x - y \in \mathbf{Q}$ .
- (c) Relation is over the set  $\mathbf{Z}$ .  $R(x, y)$  iff  $x$  divides  $y$ .

### SOLUTION TO PROBLEM FOUR

a)

$R$  is NOT reflexive:  $|1 - 1| = 0 < 1$ .

$R$  is symmetric: If  $|x - y| \geq 1$  then  $|y - x| = |x - y| \geq 1$ .

$R$  is NOT Transitive. Let  $x = 2, y = 3, z = 2$ .

$R(x, y)$  holds,  $R(y, z)$  holds, but  $R(x, z)$  does not hold.

If you want an example where all of the numbers are distinct then use  $x = 2, y = 3, z = 1.9$ .

b)

$R$  is reflexive:  $x - x = 0$ , a rational.

$R$  is symmetric: if  $x - y = q$ , a rational, then  $y - x = -q$ , a rational.

$R$  is transitive:

$x - y = q_1$ , a rational

$y - z = q_2$ , a rational

Add these to get

$x - z = q_1 + q_2$ , a rational.

c)

$R$  is reflexive:  $x$  always divides  $x$ .

$R$  is NOT symmetric: 2 divides 4 but 4 does not divide 2.

$R$  is transitive:

Assume  $x$  divides  $y$  and  $y$  divides  $z$ . Since  $x$  divides  $y$  there exists  $a$ ,  $y = ax$ . Since  $y$  divides  $z$  there exists  $b$ ,  $z = by$ .

So  $z = by = bax$ , so  $x$  divides  $z$ .

**END OF SOLUTION TO PROBLEM FOUR**