

# Third Quiz for CSI35

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**Directions:** This quiz is due Thursday October 15, at 6:00 PM.

1. Let  $A = \{0, 1\}$ .
  - (a) How many (binary) relations are there on  $A$ ? List all of them.
  - (b) Which of the relations you listed in par (a) are reflexive? Which are symmetric? Which are antisymmetric? Which are transitive?
  - (c) How many ternary relations<sup>†</sup> (i.e. 3-ary relations) are there in  $A$ ?
2. Prove that a relation is symmetric if and only if  $R = R^{-1}$ , where  $R^{-1}$  stands for the inverse relation of  $R$ .
3. Let  $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} : y = x^2\}$ .
  - (a) Find  $R^{-1}$
  - (b) Find  $R \circ R^{-1}$  and  $R^{-1} \circ R$
4. Let  $R$  be the “auntle” relation on the set of all humans:  $(a, b) \in R$  if and only if,  $a$  is an aunt or an uncle of  $b$  (in other words  $R$  is the composition  $P \circ S$  where  $P$  is the “parent relation” and  $S$  is the “sibling” relation). What are the compositions  $P \circ R$  and  $R \circ P$ ?
5. Let  $R$  be a relation on  $A$ . Is it possible  $R$  to be a function and reflexive? If yes give an example, if no explain why not.
6. Let  $A$  be a set of cardinality  $n$ . How many *symmetric* relations are there on  $A$ ?

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<sup>†</sup>Recall that a ternary relation on  $A$  is a subset of  $A \times A \times A$ .