

# Number of Maximal Partial Clones

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## Aim

We want to determine all maximal partial clones on four, five and six element sets using a computer program.



## Some sets

### Definition

$$E_k := \{0, 1, \dots, k-1\}$$

$$P_k := \left\{ f \mid f^{(n)} : E_k^n \rightarrow E_k, n \geq 1 \right\}$$

Let  $D \subseteq E_k^n$ ,  $n \geq 1$  and  $f^{(n)} : D \rightarrow E_k$ . Then  $f$  is called a  $n$ -ary partial function on  $E_k$  with domain  $D$ . We also write  $\text{dom}(f) = D$ . Let  $\tilde{P}_k$  be the set of all  $n$ -ary partial functions on  $E_k$  with  $n \geq 1$ .



## Partial clones

### Definition

The set  $A \subseteq \tilde{P}_k$  is a partial clone iff it is closed under composition and contains all projections.

The composition  $f(g_1, \dots, g_n) \in \tilde{P}_k^{(m)}$  with  $f \in \tilde{P}_k^{(n)}$  and  $g_1, \dots, g_n \in \tilde{P}_k^{(m)}$  is defined by

$$f(g_1, \dots, g_n)(\mathbf{x}) := \begin{cases} f(g_1(\mathbf{x}), \dots, g_n(\mathbf{x})) & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{dom}(g_i) \text{ and} \\ & (g_1(\mathbf{x}), \dots, g_n(\mathbf{x})) \in \text{dom}(f), \\ \text{not defined} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



## Maximal partial clones

### Definition

A clone  $A \neq \tilde{P}_k$  is called maximal, if there is no clone  $A'$  with

$$A \subset A' \subset \tilde{P}_k.$$

Let  $p\mathcal{M}_k$  be the set of all maximal partial clones.



## Preservation of relations

A (partial) function  $f^{(n)} \in \tilde{P}_k$  preserves the relation  $\varrho \subseteq E_k^h$ , if for all  $\mathbf{r}_{*1}, \dots, \mathbf{r}_{*n}$  with  $\mathbf{r}_{*j} = (r_{1j}, \dots, r_{hj})^T \in \varrho$  and  $\mathbf{r}_{i*} = (r_{i1}, \dots, r_{in}) \in \text{dom}(f)$  holds:

$$f(\mathbf{r}_{*1}, \dots, \mathbf{r}_{*n}) := \begin{pmatrix} f(r_{11}, r_{12}, \dots, r_{1n}) \\ f(r_{21}, r_{22}, \dots, r_{2n}) \\ \vdots \\ f(r_{h1}, r_{h2}, \dots, r_{hn}) \end{pmatrix} \in \varrho.$$

Short:  $f \in pPOL_k \varrho$ .



## Haddad-Rosenberg Theorem (1989, 1992)

### Theorem

If  $C$  is a maximal partial clone of  $\tilde{P}_k$ , then

$$C = P_k \cup \{f \in \tilde{P}_k \mid \text{dom}(f) = \emptyset\}$$

or

$$C = pPOL_{k\varrho}$$

for some relation  $\varrho \in \tilde{R}_k^{\max}$ .

The relations in  $\tilde{R}_k^{\max}$  describe only maximal partial clones. The description of these given by Haddad and Rosenberg is quite complex and not needed here.



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## What to do?

First try

### Idea

*Determine all relations in  $\tilde{R}_k^{\max}$  and count how many different maximal partial clones exist.*

### Problem

- *The list of coherent relations  $\tilde{R}_k^{\max}$  contains many different relations which describe the same maximal partial clone.  
Can we avoid listing them twice?*
- *There are maximal partial clones  $C, C'$  which are isomorphic, i.e., there is some bijection  $\varphi$  on  $E_k$  with  $C' = \varphi(C)$ .  
Do we need to list them separately?*
- *The search tree involved in the generation is HUGE!*



## What to do?

Second try

### Idea

- *Combine isomorphic clones together into one class and generate the canonical representatives*
- *Use a backtracking algorithm on the search tree with a good test to eliminate many subtrees which can not contain canonical representatives*
- *The number of different clones in one class is generated efficiently on the way*



## Canonical form of relations

A partial order on  $\tilde{R}_k^{\max}$

Define a partial order  $\prec$  on  $\tilde{R}_k^{\max}$  as the lexicographical order on relations.

For example

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \prec \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 6 \\ 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \prec \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \prec \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 & 4 \\ 1 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$



## Canonical form of relations

### Relation-Class and Quasi-Relation-Class

#### Definition

The quasi-relation-class  $\text{qclass}(\varrho)$  is the set of relations generated by  $\varrho$  through mapping by all bijections on  $E_k$ .

The relation-class  $\text{class}(\varrho)$  is the set of relations generated by  $\varrho$  through permutation of rows and mapping by all bijections on  $E_k$ .

#### Definition

The relation  $\varrho$  is quasi-canonical if  $\varrho = \min_{\prec} \text{qclass}(\varrho)$  and  $\varrho$  is canonical if  $\varrho = \min_{\prec} \text{class}(\varrho)$ .



## Canonical form of relations

### Example

Let

$$\varrho_0 := \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \varrho_1 := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \varrho_2 := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then  $\varrho_1$  is the quasi-canonical form of  $\varrho_0$  and  $\varrho_2$  is the canonical form of both  $\varrho_0$  and  $\varrho_1$ .



## Canonical form of relations

Different relations – Different clones

### Theorem

Let  $\varrho, \sigma \in \tilde{R}_k^{\max}$  with  $\text{pPOL}_k \varrho = \text{pPOL}_k \sigma$ .

Then  $\sigma = \varrho'$  where  $\varrho'$  is generated from  $\varrho$  by permuting rows.

### Lemma

Let  $\varrho, \sigma \in \tilde{R}_k^{\max}$  different canonical relations.

Then  $\text{pPOL}_k \varrho$  is not isomorphic to  $\text{pPOL}_k \sigma$ .



## Canonical form of relations

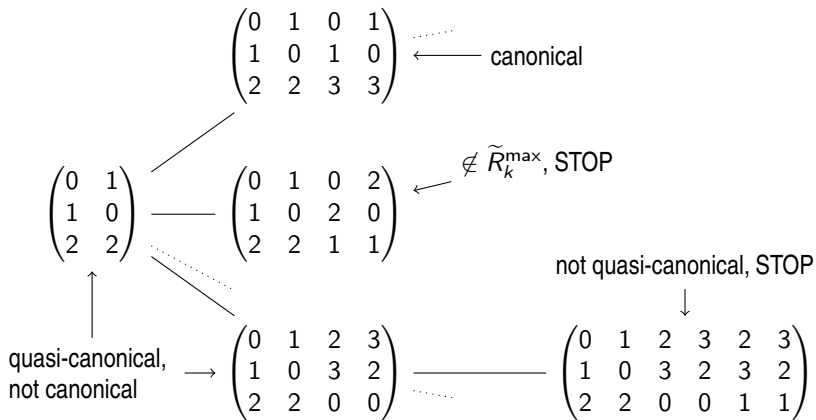
### Lemma

*Every canonical relation is also quasi-canonical.*

### Lemma

*Every  $h$ -ary canonical relation  $\varrho$  includes the tuple  $(0, 1, \dots, h - 1)$ .*

## Example of a search tree





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## Number of maximal (partial) clones

$k$	$ \mathcal{M}_k $	$ \mathcal{p}\mathcal{M}_k $	$ \mathcal{p}\mathcal{M}_k^C $	$\frac{ \mathcal{p}\mathcal{M}_k }{ \mathcal{p}\mathcal{M}_k^C  \cdot k!}$
2	5	8	7	0.57
3	18	58	26	0.37
4	82	1 102	138	0.33
5	643	325 722	3 287	0.82
6	15 182	5 242 621 816	7 322 017	0.99
7	7 848 984	?	?	> 0.99?
8	549 761 933 169	?	?	> 0.99?

$|\mathcal{M}_k|$

Number of maximal clones

$|\mathcal{p}\mathcal{M}_k|$

Number of maximal partial clones

$|\mathcal{p}\mathcal{M}_k^C|$

Number of relation classes



## Open questions

- Is there a formula for the number of maximal partial clones?
- The maximal partial clones are used in testing for completeness. Are there other criteria for completeness which do not use the complete list of maximal partial clones?
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