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Counting and enumerating transformation monoids

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A343140: 'Number of submonoids of the monoid of maps from
an n -element set to itself.'

(reason why we both didn't find it)

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NextClosure theory

Given $A \in 2^M$ such that $\exists B \in \mathcal{F}: A <_{le} B$ $<_{le}$ w.r.t. $(M, >)$

Theorem (Ganter)

The $<_{le}$ -smallest $B \in \mathcal{F}$ with $A <_{le} B$ is

$$A \oplus m := \langle (A \cap \{x \in M \mid x > m\}) \cup \{m\} \rangle$$

where $m \in M$ is **<-least** (i.e., **>-largest**) w.r.t. $A <_m A \oplus m$ ($\Rightarrow m \notin A$)

If no $m \in M$ with $A <_m A \oplus m$ exists,
there is no $B \in \mathcal{F}$ with $A <_{le} B$.

NextClosure code

Algorithm 1: NextClosure(A)

Data: $A \in 2^M$

Result: the $<_{le}$ -next $B \in 2^M$, $A <_{le} B$ if it exists, else Error

for $m \in M$ *in $<$ -ascending order* **do**

if $m \in A$ **then** *//* $A <_m A \oplus m$ impossible

$A := A \setminus \{m\}$ *//* remove m

else

$B := \langle A \cup \{m\} \rangle$ *//* compute $A \oplus m$

if $B \setminus A$ *contains no element* $x > m$ **then** *//* $A <_m A \oplus m$

return B

else

 └ ignore B completely and continue with the next m

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Algorithm 2: NextClosure(A) with characteristic vectors

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for $m \in M$ *in $<$ -ascending order* **do**

if $A(m) = 1$ **then** // $A <_m A \oplus m$ impossible
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else

 | $B := A$; $B(m) := 1$; $B := \langle B \rangle$ // copy A , set m , close

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Enumerating all closures

Algorithm 3: AllClosures

Data: closure operator $\langle \rangle$

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$A := \langle \emptyset \rangle$

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while  $A \neq \text{Error}$  do           // there is a next closure after  $A$   
  List  $A$                           // print to screen or store otherwise  
   $A := \text{NextClosure}(A)$ 
```

Both algorithms in one

Algorithm 4: AllClosures with NextClosure inlined

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repeat

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break for-loop over $m \in M$

until *stop*

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For $M = T_n$ (full transformation monoid on n), we will
shortcut generation $\langle B \rangle = \langle B \rangle_{T_n}$ appropriately

Shortcut code for generating the submonoid $\langle B \rangle_{T_n}$

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B := A; B(m) := 1; B :=  $\langle B \rangle$  // B :=  $A \oplus m$   
if  $\neg \exists x > m: B(x) > A(x)$  then ... //  $A <_m A \oplus m$ 
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Improved part of AllClosures: (with NextClosure inlined)

```
B := A; B(m) := 1; B(id) = 1 // copy A, add m and id  
notgennew := true // assume  $\langle B \rangle$  does not generate  $x > m$   
repeat // compute  $\langle B \rangle$   
  closed := true // assume B is closed, revert if not  
  for  $x, y \in B$  do // i.e.,  $x, y \in M$  with  $B(x) = B(y) = 1$   
    if  $B(x \circ y) = 0$  then  
       $B(x \circ y) := 1$ ; closed := false // product is new, hence repeat  
      if  $x \circ y > m$  then  
        notgennew := false // B will be discarded, thus closing  
        break repeat-until-loop // does not have to be completed  
until closed // B is closed  
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Audience poll: $x = \log_{10}$?

- $x < 5$
- $5 \leq x < 6$
- $6 \leq x < 7$
- $7 \leq x < 9$
- $9 \leq x < 10$
- $x \geq 10$

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Number of transformation monoids without any constants (**constant-free**)

n	1	2	3	4	5
$ \{B \leq T_n \mid C_n \cap B = \emptyset\} $	0	2	39	30741	$> 46 \cdot 10^9$ *)
% of $ \text{Sub}(T_n) $	0	≈ 33	≈ 5.6	≈ 0.0019	?

*) value updated post-lecture (1 Aug 2023)

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