



Weeks 5 and 6



Transforming Data

- Very often, the given data to a problem represent only a certain viewpoint
- We need to transform the data to allow easy expressions of constraints in the problem
- There are two ways to transform data
 - ◆ Write an external program to transform the data and create a new .dzn file
 - ◆ Use the give .dzn file and transform data by constraints



In-class Survey

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Data Transformation Exercise 1

- Given a set PERSON, you are given likes data of the form, where `like[p1]` is the set of people that `p1` likes
`array[PERSON] of set of PERSON: like;`
- Build an array `l[PERSON, PERSON]` such that `l[p1, p2]` is true if `p1` likes `p2`
`array[PERSON, PERSON] of bool: l;`



Data Transformation Exercise 2

- Given a set PERSON, you are given likes data of the form an array

`l [PERSON, PERSON]` such that

`l [p1, p2]` is true if p1 likes p2

`array[PERSON, PERSON] of bool: l;`

- Build an array `like [PERSON]` of sets of person such that `like [p1]` is the set of people liked by p1

`array[PERSON] of set of PERSON: like;`



Let's look at Survey 5



In-class Survey

- What is the value of h in the following?

```
var 0..100: x = y + 2;
```

```
var 4..7: y;
```

```
int: h = lb(x);
```

- ◆ A: 0
- ◆ B: 4
- ◆ C: 6
- ◆ D: 2
- ◆ E: any of the above



Tracing

- What is the output of the following?

```
var 0..6: x = y + 2;  
var 0..6: y;  
array[1..5] of int: a = [6,2,3,1,4];  
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- This is not a safe use of lb(x) and ub(x)!



Model Debugging

- Download
 - ◆ freepizza.mzn + freepizza*.dzn
 - ◆ from the course homepage
- Generate the best solution you can for the data by hand
- Correct the freepizza model



Let's look at Survey 6



Interesting Dinner Party

- An interesting dinner party for n people around a circular table requires
 - ◆ each couple is seated either adjacent or far apart $> n \div 3$ positions
 - ◆ and the interest of the dinner is the number of rivals which are seated adjacent or far apart.
- BUILD a MiniZinc model!
- Predicates help!



Interesting Dinner Party Data

```
int: n;  
int: m;  
array[1..m,1..2] of 1..n: couple;  
int: k  
array[1..k,1..2] of 1..n: rival;
```



Interesting Dinner Party Data

- Make a maximally interesting dinner party for the data by hand

```
n = 8;
```

```
m = 3;
```

```
couple = [| 1,2 | 3,4 | 5,6 |];
```

```
k = 6;
```

```
rival = [| 1,3 | 1,6 | 2,8 |  
          4,6 | 4,7 | 7,8 |];
```




In-class Survey

- What is the context of “ $x \leftrightarrow y$ ” in the following?

`constraint b -> ((u + (x <-> y)) >= 0);`
where `b, x, y` are Booleans and `u` an int

- ◆ A: root
- ◆ B: positive
- ◆ C: negative
- ◆ D: mixed
- ◆ E: NONE of the above



More Context

- What are the contexts for all terms in the following constraint?

```
constraint y > bool2int(b) ->  
    (a[z] -> x = 5);
```

where y, x are `int` and $b, a[], z$ are `Bool`

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|----------------------------|-----|
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◆ $a[z]$	-	z	+
◆ $x = 5$	+	x	+



Local Variables

- Modify the following predicate definition so that it can be used in any context

```
predicate p(var int: x, int: n) =  
    let { var 0..n: y; } in  
    x + y = n /\ y*y - x*x <= n;
```