

Properties of relations. If R is a relation on set A ,

1. R is reflexive if xRx for every $x \in A$, $(\forall x \in A, xRx)$

2. R is symmetric if xRy means yRx $(\forall x, y \in A, xRy \rightarrow yRx)$.

3. R is transitive if xRy and yRz then xRz $(\forall x, y, z \in A, (xRy \wedge yRz) \rightarrow xRz)$

Defn: an equivalence relation is a relation R that is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

4. R is antisymmetric if xRy and yRx means $x=y$. $(\forall x, y \in A, (xRy \wedge yRx) \rightarrow x=y)$

5. R is irreflexive if $x \not R x$ for every $x \in A$ $(\forall x \in A, x \not R x)$.

Given the following relations on the set of all people. Check ALL correct answers from the lists:

(a) a is older than b

- A. reflexive
- B. antisymmetric
- C. symmetric
- D. transitive
- E. irreflexive

(b) a and b have a common grandparent

- A. antisymmetric
- B. symmetric

antisymmetric

for members of our set, if $(xRy$ and $yRx)$
then $x=y$

can we find two people a and b

such that aRb "a is older than b"
and bRa "b is older than a?"

$a = \text{prof. Reitz}$

$b = \text{Taia}$

$aRb?$ Yes

$bRa?$ No

"
→ if (aRb and bRa) then $a=b$ "
is this true or false? TRUE

Since antecedent
is false.

This relation is antisymmetric.

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antisymmetric:

for all x and y , if ($x < y$ and $y < x$) then $x=y$

IS antisymmetric

\neq
antisymmetric.

For all x and y , if $(x \neq y \text{ and } y \neq x)$ then $x = y$

False for any $x \neq y$ that
are not the same.

Not antisymmetric.

(b) a and b have a common grandparent

$aRb = \text{"}a \text{ and } b \text{ have a common grandparent"}$

antisymmetric

For all people a and b ,
if $(aRb \text{ and } bRa)$ then $a = b$.

$a = \text{Prof. Peitz}$

$b = \text{my sister}$

NOT antisymmetric

reflexive

$a = \text{Prof. Reitz}$

$b = \text{Prof. Reitz}$

$aRb?$ Yes

$bRa?$ Yes

aRa Yes

IS REFLEXIVE.

Symmetric

For all a, b if aRb then bRa

Is Symmetric

Review topics :

Reviewsheet

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12. a. Let $A_1 = \{-1, 2\}$, $A_2 = \{-3, 4\}$, $A_3 = \{-5, 6\}$ and in general for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$A_n = \{-2n + 1, 2n\}$. Find $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$ and $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$.

$$A_1 = \{-1, 2\}$$

$$A_5 = \{-9, 10\}$$

$$A_2 = \{-3, 4\}$$

what is $|A_i|$? $|A_i| = 2$

$$A_3 = \{-5, 6\}$$

$$A_4 = \{-7, 8\}$$

$$A_n = \{-2n+1, 2n\}$$

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = \text{set of all negative odd numbers, and positive even numbers}$$
$$= \{\dots, -5, -3, -1, 2, 4, 6, \dots\}$$

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = \emptyset$$

b. Let \mathbb{R}^+ be the set of positive real numbers. For each $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$, let A_α be the closed interval

0.1 is not in $A_{0.01}$

$[0, \alpha]$. Find $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+} A_\alpha$ and $\bigcap_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+} A_\alpha$.

$\alpha = 1.5, A_{1.5} = [0, 1.5]$

$\alpha = 2.5, A_{2.5} = [0, 2.5]$

$\alpha = 100, A_{100} = [0, 100]$

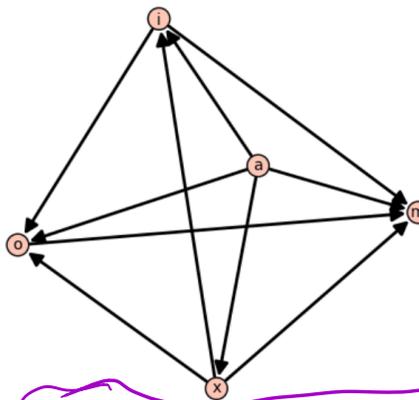
~~$\alpha = 0$~~ not allowed, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$

$|A_{1.5}| = \infty$
 $|A_{2.5}| = \infty$
 ← are these ∞ 's equal?

$\bigcup_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+} A_\alpha =$
 $= [0, \infty)$

$\bigcap_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+} A_\alpha =$ $\{0\}$
 $= [0, 0]$ ok ~~$\{0\}$~~

16. a. The relation R on the set A is represented by the graph at right. Identify the sets A and R. Determine whether R is reflexive, symmetric, transitive, antisymmetric or irreflexive (explain why in each case).
- b. Consider the relation $S = \{(3,3), (4,4), (4,5), (5,4), (5,5), (6,6), (6,7), (7,6), (7,7), (8,8)\}$ on the set $B = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$. Sketch a graph representing S. Is S an equivalence relation (justify your answer)? If so, list the equivalence classes.
- c. Prove that the relation R on \mathbb{Z} given by xRy if and only if $x \equiv y \pmod{5}$ is an equivalence relation, and describe its equivalence classes.



vertices

$$A = \{a, i, m, o, x\}$$

arrows

$$R = \{(a,i), (i,o), (x,o), (i,m), (x,m), (x,i), (x,o), (o,m), (a,o), (a,m)\}$$

a loop on every point

→ reflexive? $\forall x \in A, xRx$
 $(x,x) \in R$

Not reflexive - no element of A is related to itself.

every arrow goes both ways

→ Symmetric? $\forall x, y \in A$ if xRy then yRx
 Not symmetric - for example aRi but $i \not R a$.

every 2-step path can be completed in 1-step

→ transitive? $\forall x, y, z \in A$
 if $(xRy$ and $yRz)$ then xRz
Is transitive (can't find x, y, z with xRy and yRz but $x \not R z$.)

R has no (x,y) and (y,x)
 no double arrows, (only loops are ok)

antisymmetric.
 $\forall x, y$ if $(xRy$ and $yRx)$ then $x=y$

$$B = \{4, 5, 6\}$$

$$S = \{(4,5), (5,4)\}$$

not transitive.



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transitive

$$x = 4$$

$$y = 5$$

$$z = 4$$

$$4R5 \checkmark$$

$$5R4 \checkmark$$

$$4R4 \text{ ? NO}$$

If you are allowed

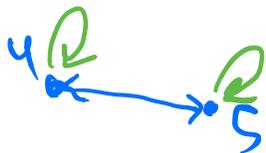
to add edges to S
to make a new relation S^* ,
can you make S^* transitive?

no loops

irreflexive

$\forall x \quad x \not R x$

Yes, irreflexive.



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This is transitive!

$$S^* = \{(4,5) (5,4), (4,4) (5,5)\}$$