
Homework 9:

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3. For each of the following relations on the set $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, decide whether it is reflexive, whether it is symmetric, whether it is antisymmetric, and whether it is transitive.

- (a) $\{(2, 2), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 2), (3, 3), (3, 4)\}$
- (b) $\{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4)\}$
- (c) $\{(2, 4), (4, 2)\}$
- (d) $\{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4)\}$
- (e) $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4)\}$
- (f) $\{(1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 1), (3, 4)\}$

Solution :

- a) Neither reflexive nor irreflexive; Neither symmetric nor antisymmetric; transitive
- b) Reflexive; symmetric; transitive
- c) Irreflexive; symmetric; not transitive
- d) Irreflexive; Anti-symmetric, not transitive
- e) Reflexive; either symmetric and anti-symmetric; transitive
- f) Irreflexive; neither symmetric nor antisymmetric; not transitive

7. Determine whether the relation R on the set of all integers is reflexive, symmetric, antisymmetric, and/or transitive, where $(x, y) \in R$ if and only if

- a) $x \neq y$
- c) $x = y + 1$ or $x = y - 1$
- h) $x \geq y^2$

Solution:

- a) Irreflexive; symmetric; not transitive
- c) Irreflexive; symmetric; not transitive ($|x - y| = 1$)
- h) Neither reflexive nor irreflexive; antisymmetric; transitive

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13. Let R be the relation represented by the matrix

$$M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the matrix representing

- a) R^{-1} b) \overline{R} c) R^2

Solution:

$$\text{a) } M_{R^{-1}} = M_R^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{b) } M_{\overline{R}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{c) } M_{R^2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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2. Let R be the relation $\{(a, b) \mid a \neq b\}$ on the set of integers. What is the reflexive closure of R ?

Solution:

When we add all the pairs (x, x) to the given relation we have all of $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$; in other words, we have $r(R) = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$.

3. Let R be the relation $\{(a, b) \mid a \text{ divides } b\}$ on the set of integers. What is the symmetric closure of R ?

Solution:

$$s(R) = \{(a, b) \mid a \text{ divides } b \text{ or } b \text{ divides } a\}$$

19. Let R be the relation on the set $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ containing the ordered pairs $(1, 3), (2, 4), (3, 1), (3, 5), (4, 3), (5, 1), (5, 2)$ and $(5, 4)$. Find

- b) R^3 f) R^*

Solution:

$$\text{b) } R^3 = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 1), (2, 5), (3, 1), (3, 3), (3, 4), (3, 5), (4, 1), (4, 2), (4, 3), (4, 4), (5, 1), (5, 3), (5, 5)\}$$

$$\text{f) } R^* = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (1, 5), (2, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3), (2, 4), (2, 5), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3), (3, 4), (3, 5), (4, 1), (4, 2), (4, 3), (4, 4), (4, 5), (5, 1), (5, 2), (5, 3), (5, 4), (5, 5)\}$$

24. Suppose that the relation R is irreflexive. Is the relation R^2 necessarily irreflexive?

Solution : It is certainly possible for R^2 to contain some pairs (a, a) . For example, let $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 1)\}$.

27. Using Warshall's algorithm to find the transitive closures of the relation R in Exercise 25(b).

Solution : Warshall's algorithm compute M_{R^*} by efficiently computing $W_0 \rightarrow W_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow W_4 = M_{R^*}$.

$$W_0 = W_1 = M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$W_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad W_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad W_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$