

HOMEWORK-13

Q.2 which of these relations on the set of all people are equivalence relations? Determine the properties of an equivalence relation that the others lack.

- a) $\{(a, b) \mid a \text{ and } b \text{ are the same age}\}$
- b) $\{(a, b) \mid a \text{ and } b \text{ have the same parents}\}$
- c) $\{(a, b) \mid a \text{ and } b \text{ share a common parent}\}$
- d) $\{(a, b) \mid a \text{ and } b \text{ have met}\}$
- e) $\{(a, b) \mid a \text{ and } b \text{ speak a common language}\}$

Solutions:

- a) a has its same age, so the relation R is Reflexive. If a has the same age of b then b has same age of a thus, R is Symmetric. If a has the same age of b and b has the same age of c then a has the same age of c thus, R is Transitive. Hence Equivalence relation.
- b) Obviously, a has its same parents, so R is Reflexive. If a has the same parents of b then b has the same parents of a, thus R is symmetric. If a and b have the same parents, and b has the same of c then a has the same parents of c Thus R is Transitive. Hence Equivalence relation.
- c) Is not transitive. Because a can have the same father b, and b have same mother of c but a and c may not have neither the same mother nor the same father.
- d) Is not transitive. Because if a have met b and b have met c, it's doesn't mean that a have met c necessarily.
- e) Is not transitive. Because if a and b speak a common language say English and b and c speak another common language say Marathi: it doesn't mean that a and c speak a common language.

Q.9 Suppose that A is a nonempty set, and f is a function that has A as its domain. Let R be the relation on A consisting of all ordered pairs (x, y) such that $f(x) = f(y)$.

- a) Show that R is an equivalence relation on A.
- b) What are the equivalence classes of R.

Solution:

- a) This relation is reflexive because it is obvious that $f(x) = f(x)$ for all $x \in A$.
This relation is symmetric because if $f(x) = f(y)$, then it follows that $f(y) = f(x)$.
This relation is transitive because if we have $f(x) = f(y)$ and $f(y) = f(z)$, then it follows that $f(x) = f(z)$. Hence R is an equivalence relation on A.
- b) Let $x \in A$. The equivalence relation of x then contains all other values in the set A that have the same image as x.

$$[x]_R = \{y \in A \mid y \text{ has the same image as } x\} = \{y \in A \mid f(x) = f(y)\}$$

Q.41 which of these collections of subsets are partitions of $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$?

- a) $\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{4, 5, 6\}$
- b) $\{1\}, \{2, 3, 6\}, \{4\}, \{5\}$
- c) $\{2, 4, 6\}, \{1, 3, 5\}$
- d) $\{1, 4, 5\}, \{2, 6\}$

Solution:

a) $\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{4, 5, 6\}$ Not a partition because these sets are not pairwise disjoint. The element 2 and 4 appear in two of these sets.

b) $\{1\}, \{2, 3, 6\}, \{4\}, \{5\}$ this is a partition.

c) $\{2, 4, 6\}, \{1, 3, 5\}$ This is a partition.

d) $\{1, 4, 5\}, \{2, 6\}$, Not a partition because it is missing the element 3 in any of the sets.

Q.1 which of these relations on $\{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ are partial orderings? Determine the properties of a partial ordering that the others lack.

a) $\{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$

b) $\{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 0), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 2), (3, 3)\}$

c) $\{(0, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$

d) $\{(0, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 3)\}$

e) $\{(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 0), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$

Solution:

a) $R = \{(0,0), (1,1), (2,2), (3,3)\}$

R is Reflexive, because $(a, a) \in R$ for every element $a \in A$.

R is antisymmetric, because if $(a, b) \in R$, then $a=b$ (in this case)

R is transitive, because if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$ then $a=b=c$ and $(a, c) = (a, a) \in R$

R is a **partial Ordering**, because R is reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive.

b) $R = \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 0), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 2), (3, 3)\}$

R is Reflexive, because $(a, a) \in R$ for every element $a \in A$.

R is not antisymmetric, because $(2, 3) \in R$ and $(3, 2) \in R$ while $2 \neq 3$

R is not transitive, because $(3, 2) \in R$ and $(2, 0) \in R$ while $(3, 0) \notin R$.

R is **not a partial Ordering**, because R is not antisymmetric and transitive.

c) $R = \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$

R is Reflexive, because $(a, a) \in R$ for every element $a \in A$.

R is antisymmetric, because if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$ then $a=b$

(Since $(1, 2) \in R$ and $(2, 1) \notin R$)

R is **not a partial Ordering**, because R is not antisymmetric and transitive.

d) $\{(0, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 3)\}$

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e) $R = \{(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 0), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$

R is Reflexive, because $(a, a) \in R$ for every element $a \in A$.

R is not antisymmetric, because $(1, 0) \in R$ and $(0, 1) \in R$ while $0 \neq 1$

R is not transitive, because $(2, 0) \in R$ and $(0, 1) \in R$ while $(2, 1) \notin R$.

R is **not a partial Ordering**, because R is not antisymmetric and transitive.

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a) $\{(0, 0), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$

b) $\{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 0), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 3)\}$

c) $\{(0, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 2), (3, 1), (3, 3)\}$

d) $\{(0, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 0), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 0), (3, 3)\}$

e) $\{(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (0, 3), (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 0), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$

Solution:

$$A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$$

a) $R = \{(0, 0), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$

R is not reflexive, because $(1, 1) \notin R$ while $1 \in A$.

R is antisymmetric, because if $(a, b) \in R$ then $a=b$ (in this case)

R is transitive, because $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$ then $a=b=c$ and $(a, c) = (a, a) \in R$

R is **not a partial Ordering**, because R is not reflexive.

b) $R = \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 0), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 3)\}$

R is Reflexive, because $(a, a) \in R$ for every element $a \in A$.

R is antisymmetric, because if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$ then $a=b$

(Since $(2, 0) \in R$ and $(0, 2) \notin R$; and $(2, 3) \in R$ and $(3, 2) \notin R$

R is transitive, because if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$ then $a=b$ or $b=c$

(Since there are only two elements not of the form (a, a) and that pair does not satisfy $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$), which implies $(a, c) = (b, c) \in R$ or $(a, c) = (a, b) \in R$

R is a **partial Ordering** because R is reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive.

c) $R = \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 2), (3, 1), (3, 3)\}$

R is reflexive, because $(a, a) \in R$ for every element $a \in A$.

R is antisymmetric, because if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$, then $a=b$.

(Since $(1, 2) \in R$ and $(2, 1) \notin R$; $(3, 1) \in R$ and $(1, 3) \notin R$

R is not transitive, because $(3, 1) \in R$ and $(1, 2) \in R$ while $(3, 2) \notin R$

R is **not a partial Ordering**, because R is not transitive.

d) $R = \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 0), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 0), (3, 3)\}$

R is reflexive, because $(a, a) \in R$ for every element $a \in A$.

R is antisymmetric, because if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$, then $a=b$.

(Since $(1, 2) \in R$ and $(2, 1) \notin R$; similar for all other elements not of the form (a, a)).

R is not transitive, because $(1, 2) \in R$ and $(2, 0) \in R$ while $(1, 0) \notin R$.

R is **not a partial ordering**, because R is not transitive.

e) $R = \{(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (0, 3), (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 0), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$

R is Reflexive, because $(a, a) \in R$ for every element $a \in A$.

R is not antisymmetric, because $(1, 0) \in R$ and $(0, 1) \in R$ while $0 \neq 1$

R is not transitive, because $(2, 0) \in R$ and $(0, 3) \in R$ while $(2, 3) \notin R$.

R is **not a partial Ordering**, because R is not antisymmetric and transitive.

Q.3 Is (S, R) a poset if S is the set of all people in the world and $(a, b) \in R$, where a and b are people, if

a) a is taller than b?

b) a is not taller than b?

c) $a = b$ or a is an ancestor of b?

d) a and b have a common friend?

Solution: S is the set of all people in the world

a) $R = \{(a, b) / a \text{ is taller than } b\}$

R is not reflexive, because an individual is not taller than themselves.

R is antisymmetric, because $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$ cannot both be true at the same time (if a is taller than b, then b cannot be taller than a).

R is transitive, because if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$ then a is taller than b and b is taller than c which implies that a is taller than c and thus $(a, c) \in R$.

(R, S) is **not a poset**, because R is not reflexive.

b) $R = \{(a, b) / a \text{ is not taller than } b\}$

R is reflexive, because an individual is not taller than themselves.

R is not antisymmetric, because $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$ implies a is not taller than b and b is not taller than a. both statements can only be true if a and b have same height. However this does not necessarily imply $a=b$ (that is, a and b are not necessarily the same person)

R is transitive, because if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$ then a is not taller than b and b is not taller than c which implies that a is not taller than c and thus $(a, c) \in R$.

(R, S) is **not a poset**, because R is not symmetric.

c) $R = \{(a, b) / a = b \text{ or } a \text{ is an ancestor of } b\}$

R is reflexive, because all elements with $a=b$ are included in the relation R.

R is antisymmetric, because $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$ implies $(a$ is an ancestor of b or $a=b)$ and $(b$ is an ancestor of a or $a=b)$. a cannot be an ancestor of b when b is an ancestor of a thus the statements can only be true if $a=b$.

R is transitive, because if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$ then $(a$ is an ancestor of b or $a=b)$ and $(b$ is an ancestor of c or $b=c)$ which implies that $(a$ is an ancestor of c or $c=a)$ and thus $(a, c) \in R$.

(R, S) is **a poset**, because R is reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive.

d) $R = \{(a, b) / a \text{ and } b \text{ have a common friend}\}$

R is not reflexive, because an individual has no common friend with himself when the individual has no friends.

R is not antisymmetric, because $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$ implies a and b have a common friend, while b and a also have a common friend however a and b are not necessarily the same person.

R is not transitive, because if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$ then a and b have common friend, while b and c have common friend, then a and c do not necessarily have a common friend when the two common friends were different.

(R, S) is **not a poset**, because R is not reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

Q.4 Is (S, R) a poset if S is the set of all people in the world and $(a, b) \in R$, where a and b are people, if

a) a is no shorter than b ?

b) a weighs more than b ?

c) $a = b$ or a is a descendant of b ?

d) a and b do not have a common friend?

Solution: S is the set of all people in the world

a) $R = \{(a, b) / a \text{ is no shorter than } b\}$

If there are two people a and b with the same height then neither is shorter than the other person, thus $(a, b), (b, a) \in R$ even though $a \neq b$.

Thus R is not antisymmetric and

(S, R) is **not a poset**.

b) $R = \{(a, b) / a \text{ weighs more than } b\}$

If a weighs more than b which implies that $(a, b) \in R$ then clearly $(a, a) \notin R$ and R is not reflexive,

Hence (S, R) is **not a poset**.

c) $R = \{(a, b) / a = b \text{ or } a \text{ is a descendant of } b\}$

Clearly, $(a, a) \in R$ by definition.

If $(a, b), (b, a) \in R$ which $\Rightarrow a=b$ (or both is the descendant of the other, which is not possible).

Again, $(a, b), (b, c) \in R$ which \Rightarrow either $a=c$ or a is a descendant of $c \Rightarrow (a, c) \in R$. Thus R is reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive.

Hence (S, R) is a **poset**.

d) $R = \{(a, b) / a \text{ and } b \text{ do not have a common friend}\}$

If the person a has a friend then $(a, a) \notin R$, thus R is not reflexive,

Hence (S, R) is **not a poset**.