

Discrete Math Homework 10

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Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_1 \subseteq R_2 &\Leftrightarrow \forall (x, y)((x, y) \in R_1 \rightarrow (x, y) \in R_2) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \forall (x, y)(\exists X(X \in P_1 \wedge x \in X \wedge y \in X) \rightarrow \exists Y(Y \in P_2 \wedge x \in Y \wedge y \in Y)) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \forall X(X \in P_1 \rightarrow \forall x(x \in X \rightarrow \forall y(y \in X \rightarrow \exists Y(Y \in P_2 \wedge x \in Y \wedge y \in Y)))) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \forall X(X \in P_1 \rightarrow \forall x(x \in X \rightarrow \exists Y(Y \in P_2 \wedge \forall y(y \in X \rightarrow y \in Y \wedge x \in Y)))) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \forall X(X \in P_1 \rightarrow \exists Y(Y \in P_2 \wedge \forall x(x \in X \rightarrow x \in Y))) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \forall X(X \in P_1 \rightarrow \exists Y(Y \in P_2 \wedge X \subseteq Y)) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow P_1 \text{ is the refinement of } P_2
 \end{aligned}$$

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Proof. Noting that R is a symmetric relation, we have $R = R^{-1}$.

Then $(R^n)^{-1} = \underbrace{R^{-1} \circ R^{-1} \circ \dots \circ R^{-1}}_{n \text{ times}} = (R^{-1})^n = R^n$, i.e. R^n is a symmetric relation.

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Proof.

\Leftarrow :

Noting that $R \subseteq \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+} R^n$, $S \subseteq S$. Then $R \circ S \subseteq \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+} R^n \circ S \subseteq S$.

\Rightarrow :

Let's proof $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, R^n \circ S \subseteq S$.

Induction on n :

$n = 1$, obviously the conclusion holds.

Assume the conclusion holds at $n \geq 1$. Then we have for any a, b, c , $(a, b) \in S$, $(b, c) \in R^n$, we have $(a, c) \in R^n \circ S$, i.e., $(a, c) \in S$.

Then if there exists d , $(c, d) \in R$, then $(a, d) \in S$, i.e. $R \circ (R^n \circ S) = R^{n+1} \circ S \subseteq S$. So by the principle of induction, $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, R^n \circ S \subseteq S$.

So $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+} R^n \circ S = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+} (R^n \circ S) \subseteq S$.

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a) *Proof.*

For any $a \in \mathbb{R}$, obviously there is no integer n that satisfies $a < n \leq a$, so $(a, a) \in R$, R is reflexive.

Noting that $(a, b) \in R \Leftrightarrow \exists n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \leq a < b < n+1 \vee b \leq a$. So $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}, (a, b) \in R, (b, c) \in R$, then $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \leq a < b < n+1, n \leq b < c < n+1$ or $n \leq a < b < n+1, c \leq b$ or $b \leq a, n \leq b < c < n+1$ or $b \leq a, c \leq b$, in any case, $(a, c) \in R$, R is transitive.

But $(0, \frac{1}{2}) \in R$ and $(\frac{1}{2}, 0) \in R$, but $0 \neq \frac{1}{2}$, R is not antisymmetric. \square

b) *Proof.*

Given R 's transitive, so $R \circ R = R^2 \subseteq R$, according to the principle of induction, $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, R^n \subseteq R$.

So $R^+ = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+} R^n \subseteq R$.

And it's obvious that $R \subseteq \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+} R^n = R^+$.

So $R = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+} R^n = R^+$. \square

c) *Proof.*

$I_A \subseteq R \Rightarrow I_A \subseteq R \cap R^{-1}$, $R \cap R^{-1}$ is reflexive.

$\forall (x, y) \in R \cap R^{-1}$, obviously that $(x, y) \in R \Rightarrow (y, x) \in R^{-1}, (x, y) \in R^{-1} \Rightarrow (y, x) \in R$, i.e. $(y, x) \in R \cap R^{-1}$, $R \cap R^{-1}$ is symmetric.

$\forall x, y, z \in A, (x, y) \in R \cap R^{-1}, (y, z) \in R \cap R^{-1}$. Given R is transitive, so $R \circ R \subseteq R \Rightarrow (R \circ R)^{-1} = R^{-1} \circ R^{-1} \subseteq R^{-1}$, R^{-1} is transitive. So $(x, z) \in R$ and $(x, z) \in R^{-1} \Leftrightarrow (x, z) \in R \cap R^{-1}$, i.e. $R \cap R^{-1}$ is transitive.

In summary, $R \cap R^{-1}$ is an equivalence relation on A . \square

d) *Proof.*

$\forall a, b \in A, [a]_{R \cap R^{-1}} = [b]_{R \cap R^{-1}} \Leftrightarrow a(R \cap R^{-1})b \Rightarrow aRb$. So $\forall [a]_{R \cap R^{-1}} = [b]_{R \cap R^{-1}}, ([a]_{R \cap R^{-1}}, [b]_{R \cap R^{-1}}) \in S$, S is reflexive.

$\forall [a]_{R \cap R^{-1}}, [b]_{R \cap R^{-1}} \in B$, if $([a]_{R \cap R^{-1}}, [b]_{R \cap R^{-1}}) \in S$ and $([b]_{R \cap R^{-1}}, [a]_{R \cap R^{-1}}) \in S$, then aRb and $bRa \Leftrightarrow aR^{-1}b$, i.e. $a(R \cap R^{-1})b$, so $[b]_{R \cap R^{-1}} = [a]_{R \cap R^{-1}}$, S is antisymmetric.

$\forall [a]_{R \cap R^{-1}}, [b]_{R \cap R^{-1}}, [c]_{R \cap R^{-1}} \in B$, if $([a]_{R \cap R^{-1}}, [b]_{R \cap R^{-1}}) \in S, ([b]_{R \cap R^{-1}}, [c]_{R \cap R^{-1}}) \in S$, so aRb, bRc . Noting that R is transitive, $aRc \Leftrightarrow ([a]_{R \cap R^{-1}}, [c]_{R \cap R^{-1}}) \in S$. S is transitive.

In summary, S is a partial order on B . \square