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151 Math Exercises

(4.3)

Partial Order

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Def. (1) R is a relation defined on the set

$$A \neq \emptyset$$

R is Partial order

(1)

R reflexive



\underline{R}

is antisymmetric

$a, b \in A$:

$$\begin{array}{c} aRb \\ \text{or} \\ bRa \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow a=b \end{array} \right.$$

$\neg R$ aRb

But

bRa

$\Rightarrow R$ is antisymm

Ex.

$2 < 3$ but $3 \not< 2$



$<$ is antisymm.

(2)

R is total order

(i) R is Partial order s.t. $\forall a, b \in A: a \neq b$

(ii) \underline{aRb} or $\underline{bRa} \Rightarrow a, b$ are comparable.

Partial Orderings

DEFINITION 1 A relation R on a non empty set S is called a *partial ordering* or *partial order* if it is reflexive, antisymmetric, and transitive. A set S together with a partial ordering R is called a *partially ordered set*, or *poset*, and is denoted by (S,R) . Members of S are called *elements* of the poset.

DEFINITION 2 Let a and b be in the set S . Assume (S,R) is a *poset*. We say that a and b are *comparable* if either $a R b$ or $b R a$. When a and b are elements of S such that neither $a R b$ nor $b R a$, a and b are called *incomparable*.

DEFINITION 3 If (S,R) is a poset and every two elements of S are comparable, S is called a *totally ordered* or *linearly ordered set*, and R is called a *total order* or a *linear order*. A totally ordered set is also called a *chain*.

Hasse Diagrams

If (S,R) is a partially ordered set, we can represent this group in a schematic format called (Hasse diagram), where S is a finite set, as follows:

We represent each element of S in a small circle and if $a < b$ we place b above a and connect between them by a straight line segment, ignoring the cut of the lines we automatically get by means of a transitive property.

For example, if $(a < b) \wedge (b < c)$ and there is no x such that $a < x < b$, also there is no y such that $b < y < c$, then we get a straight line segment between a and b and between b and c but we do not get between a and c .

Example 1. Let R be a relation defined on the set $\mathbb{Z}^+ : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+ , a R b \Leftrightarrow a | b$

- (i) Show that R is a partial ordering relation (poset) on \mathbb{Z}^+ .
- (ii) In case R is defined on \mathbb{Z} , is R still a partial ordering relation on \mathbb{Z} , why?
- (iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial ordering relation R on the set $A = \{1,2,3,4,6,8,12,24\}$
- (iv) Decide whether R is totally ordering relation on \mathbb{Z}^+ , why?
- (v) In case R is defined on $B = \{1,3,9,27,81\}$, is R a total ordering relation on B , why?
- (vi) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the totally ordering relation R on the set $B = \{1,3,9,27,81\}$

(2)

Solution: (i)

$$1- \forall a \in \mathbb{Z}^+, a|a \Rightarrow a R a \Rightarrow R \text{ is reflexive}.$$

$$2- a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+, a R b \Rightarrow a|b \Rightarrow b = m_1 a : m_1 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

$$b R a \Rightarrow b|a \Rightarrow a = m_2 b : m_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \\ (\times) \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{ab = m_1 m_2 ab}}$$

$$\div ab \Rightarrow 1 = m_1 m_2 \Rightarrow m_1 = m_2 = 1 \Rightarrow a = b \Rightarrow R \text{ is antisymmetric.}$$

$$3- a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}^+, a R b \Rightarrow a|b \Rightarrow b = m_1 a : m_1 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

$$b R c \Rightarrow b|c \Rightarrow c = m_2 b : m_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \\ (\times) \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{bc = m_1 m_2 ab}}$$

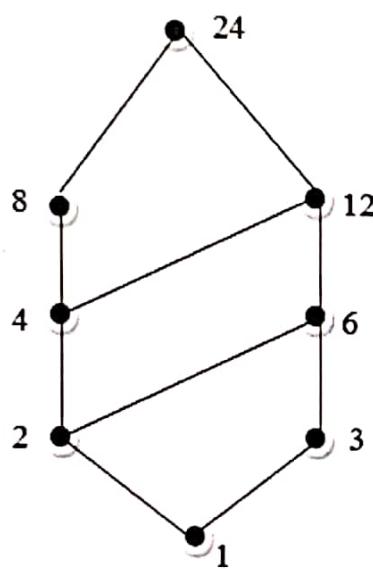
$\Rightarrow R \text{ is transitive}$

$\because R$ is reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive $\therefore R$ is partial ordering.

(ii) $\because 3, -3 \in \mathbb{Z}, : 3|(-3) \wedge -3|3$ but $3 \neq -3 \Rightarrow R$ is not antisymmetric

$\therefore R$ is not a partial ordering on \mathbb{Z} .

$$(iii) R = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (4,4), (6,6), (8,8), (12,12), (24,24), \\ (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (1,6), (1,8), (1,12), (1,24), \\ (2,4), (2,6), (2,8), (2,12), (2,24) \\ (3,6), (3,12), (3,24), (4,8), (4,12), \\ (6,12), (6,24), (8,24), (12,24) \end{array} \right\}$$



Hasse diagram of R

(3)

(iv) $3, 5 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, $\because 3 \nmid 5 \wedge 5 \nmid 3 \Rightarrow 3, 5$ incomparable $\Rightarrow \therefore R$ is not a total ordering

(v) \because all elements in B are powers of 3 $\Rightarrow \forall a, b \in B$, $a|b$ or $b|a$

(B, R) is comparable $\Rightarrow \therefore (B, R)$ is totally ordered.

$$\text{(iv)} \quad R = \left\{ (1,1), (3,3), (9,9), (27,27), (81,81), (1,3), (1,9), (1,27), (1,81), (3,9), (3,27), (3,81), (9,27), (9,81), (27,81) \right\}$$



Hasse diagram of R (chain)

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Example 2. Let R be a relation defined on the set \mathbb{Q}^+ :

$$a, b \in \mathbb{Q}^+, a R b \Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

- (i) Show that R is a partial ordering relation on \mathbb{Q}^+ .
- (ii) Decide whether R is totally ordering relation on \mathbb{Q}^+ , why?
- (iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial ordering relation R on the set

$$A = \left\{ \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 2, 3, 6 \right\}$$

Solution: (i)

$$(1) \forall a \in \mathbb{Q}^+, \frac{a}{a} = 1 \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \Rightarrow \therefore a R a \Rightarrow \therefore R \text{ is reflexive}$$

$$(2) a, b \in \mathbb{Q}^+, a R b \Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{b} = m_1 \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \text{ & } b R a \Leftrightarrow \frac{b}{a} = m_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

$$(\times) \Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} \times \frac{b}{a} = m_1 m_2 \Rightarrow 1 = m_1 m_2 \Rightarrow m_1 = m_2 = 1 \Rightarrow \therefore a = b$$

$\therefore R$ is antisymmetric

$$(3) a, b, c \in \mathbb{Q}^+, a R b \Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{b} = m_1 \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \text{ & } b R c \Leftrightarrow \frac{b}{c} = m_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

$$(\times) \Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} \times \frac{b}{c} = m_1 m_2 \Rightarrow \frac{a}{c} = m_1 m_2 = m \Rightarrow \therefore a R c : m = m_1 m_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

$\therefore R$ is transitive

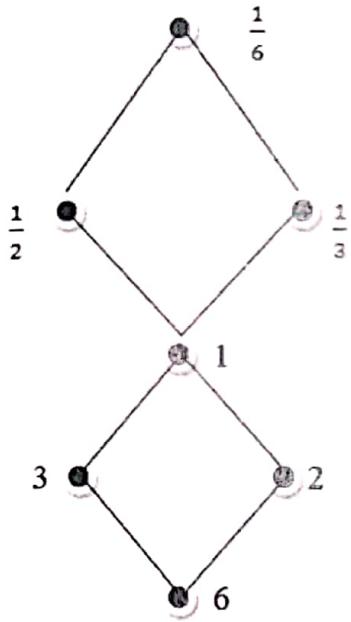
$\therefore R$ is reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive

$\therefore R$ is partial ordering relation.

(ii) $3, 5 \in \mathbb{Q}^+, \frac{3}{5} \notin \mathbb{Z}^+ \wedge \frac{5}{3} \notin \mathbb{Z}^+ \Rightarrow 3, 5$ incomparable $\Rightarrow \therefore R$ is not totally ordering relation.

(iii)

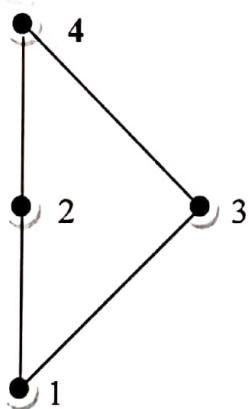
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Hasse diagram of R

Example 3. Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial ordering relation

$$R = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (4,4), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (2,4), (3,4)\}$$

on the set $A = \{1,2,3,4\}$



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1. Let R be a relation defined on the set $\mathbb{Z}^+ = \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+ = \mathbb{N}, a R b \Leftrightarrow a | b$

- ✓ (i) Show that R is a partial order relation on \mathbb{N} .
- (ii) In case R is defined on \mathbb{Z} , is R still a partial order relation on \mathbb{Z} , why?
- (iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial order relation R on the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24\}$
- (iv) Decide whether R is total order relation on $\mathbb{Z}^+ = \mathbb{N}$, why?
- (v) In case R is defined on $B = \{1, 3, 9, 27, 81\}$, is R a total order relation on B , why?
- (vi) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the total order relation R on the set $B = \{1, 3, 9, 27, 81\}$

$$B = \{1, 3, 9, 27, 81\}$$

Sol. (i) ① $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}^+, a | a \Rightarrow \therefore aRa \Rightarrow R \text{ is refl.}$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+: a R b &\Rightarrow a | b \Rightarrow b = k_1 a \\ &\wedge \\ &b R a \Rightarrow b | a \Rightarrow a = k_2 b \end{aligned} \quad : k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{N} = \mathbb{Z}^+$$

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{a = k_2 k_1 a} \Rightarrow k_1, k_2 = 1 \Rightarrow \therefore k_1 = k_2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \therefore \boxed{a = b} \Rightarrow R \text{ is antisym.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{3} \quad a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}^+ = \mathbb{N}: a R b &\Rightarrow a | b \Rightarrow b = h_1 a \\ &\wedge \\ &b R c \Rightarrow b | c \Rightarrow c = h_2 b \end{aligned} \quad : h_1, h_2 \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \underbrace{h_2 h_1}_{h \in \mathbb{N}} a = ha \Rightarrow \therefore a | c \Rightarrow a R c$$

$\therefore R$ is transitive.

① & ② & ③ $\Rightarrow \therefore R$ is Partial Order.

(ii) $-3, 3 \in \mathbb{Z}^*$

$$\begin{array}{c} -3R3 : -3 \mid 3 \\ \uparrow \\ 3R-3 : 3 \mid -3 \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{but } -3 \neq 3 .$$

$\therefore R$ is not antisym.

$\therefore R$ is not Partial order.

(iv) R is Partial order on $\mathbb{Z}^+ = \mathbb{N}$.

$$3, 4 \in \mathbb{Z}^+ = \mathbb{N}, 3 \nmid 4 \wedge 4 \nmid 3$$

$3 \neq 4$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{3R4 \wedge 4R3}_{\Downarrow}$$

3, 4 incomparable.



$\therefore R$ is not total order on \mathbb{Z}^+ .

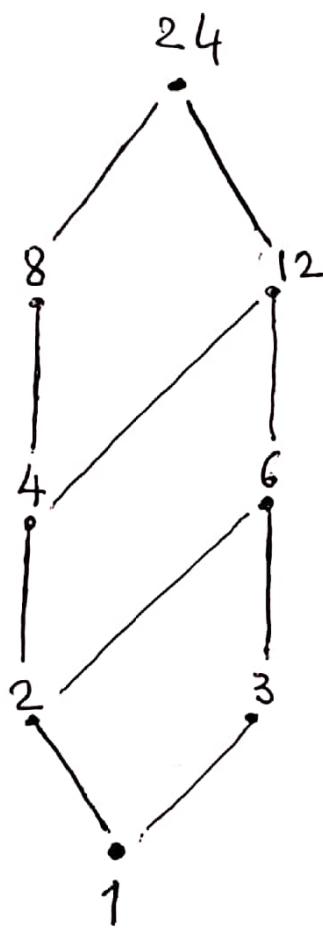
$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24\}$ divisors of 24.

(iii) $R = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (4,4), (6,6), (8,8), (12,12), (24,24)$

$\underline{(1,2)}, \underline{(1,3)}, \underline{(1,4)}, \underline{(1,6)}, \underline{(1,8)}, \underline{(1,12)}, \underline{(1,24)}, \underline{(2,4)}, \underline{(3,6)}$

$\underline{(2,8)}, \underline{(2,12)}, \underline{(2,24)}, \underline{(3,6)}, \underline{(3,12)}, \underline{(3,24)}, \underline{(6,12)}$

$\underline{(6,24)}, \underline{(8,24)}, \underline{(12,24)}, \underline{(4,8)}, \underline{(4,12)}, \underline{(4,24)}\}$.



Hasse Diagram for R on A .

(V) $B = \left\{ 1^0, 3^1, 9^2, 27^3, 81^4 \right\}$ = divisors of 81.

R is Partial order on B and every element in B is a power of 3
 $\Rightarrow \forall a, b \in B \Rightarrow a|b \vee b|a$.

(B, R) Comparable. $\Rightarrow R$ is total order on B .

(Vi) $R = \{(1,1), (3,3), (9,9), (27,27), (81,81), (1,3), (1,9)$
 $(1,27), (1,81), (3,9), (3,27), (3,81), (9,27)$
 $(9,81), (27,81)\}$



(chain)
Total order

Hasse Diagram

Exercises

1. Let R be a relation defined on the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$

$$a, b \in A \quad , \quad a R b \Leftrightarrow a \mid b$$

- (i) Show that R is a partial ordering relation on A .
 - (ii) Decide whether R is totally ordering relation on A , why?
 - (iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial ordering relation R on the set A .

Solution (i) (1) $\forall a \in A, a|a \Rightarrow \exists a R a \Rightarrow R$ is refl.

$$\textcircled{2} \quad a, b \in A : a R b \Rightarrow a | b \Rightarrow b = k_1 a$$

$\frac{b R a \Rightarrow b | a \Rightarrow a = k_2 b}{: k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{N}}$

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{\alpha} = K_2 \cdot K_1 \cancel{\alpha} \Rightarrow K_1 K_2 = 1 \Rightarrow \therefore K_1 = K_2 = [1]$$

$\Rightarrow \therefore \boxed{a=b} \Rightarrow R$ is antisymm.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{③ } a, b, c \in A: aRb \Rightarrow a|b \Rightarrow b = h_1 a \\
 & \quad \text{+} \\
 & \quad bRc \Rightarrow b|c \Rightarrow c = h_2 b \\
 & \Rightarrow c = \underbrace{h_2 \cdot h_1}_h a \Rightarrow c = ha \Rightarrow a|c \Rightarrow aRc \\
 & \quad \therefore R \text{ is transitive.}
 \end{aligned}$$

R is Refl, antisymm, and transitive

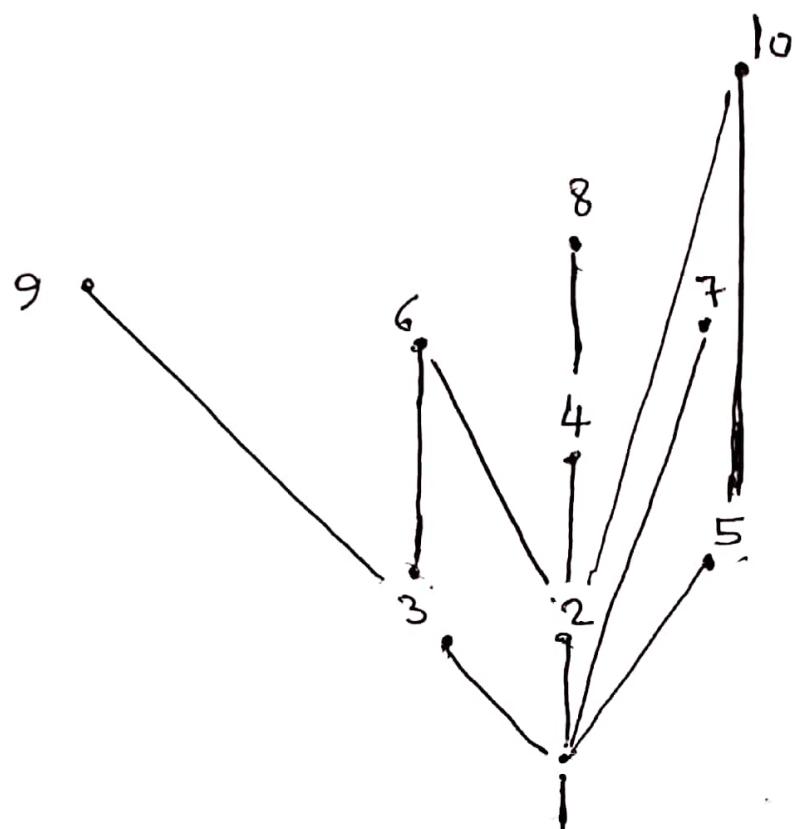
$\therefore R$ is Partial order.

(ii) $5, 7 \in A$, $5 \nmid 7 \Rightarrow 5R7 \quad \{ \because 5, 7 \text{ are}$
 $\langle 5 \neq 7 \rangle$

$\hat{7} \nmid 5 \Rightarrow 7R5 \quad \downarrow \quad \text{incomparable}$

$\therefore R$ is not total order.

iii) $R = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), \dots, (10,10), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (1,5)$
 $(1,6), (1,7), (1,8), (1,9), (1,10), (2,4), (2,6), (2,8), (2,10)$
 $(3,6), (3,9), (4,8), (5,10)\}$



Hasse diagram.

2. Let R be a relation defined on the set \mathbb{Q}^+ :

$$a, b \in \mathbb{Q}^+, a R b \Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \frac{a}{b} = m \in \mathbb{Z}^+ = \mathbb{N}$$

- (i) Show that R is a partial order relation on \mathbb{Q}^+ .
- (ii) Decide whether R is total order relation on \mathbb{Q}^+ , why?
- (iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial order relation R on the set

$$A = \left\{ \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 2, 3, 6 \right\}$$

Sol. (i) ① $\forall a \in \mathbb{Q}^+, \frac{a}{a} = 1 \in \mathbb{Z}^+ = \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow a Ra \Rightarrow R \text{ is refl.}$

② $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}^+: a R b \Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = m_1 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

$$\begin{array}{c} \wedge \\ b Ra \Rightarrow \frac{b}{a} = m_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \\ (*) \end{array}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{b}{a} = 1 = m_1 \cdot m_2 \Rightarrow m_1 = m_2 = 1.$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = 1 \Rightarrow a = b \Rightarrow R \text{ is antisymm.}$

③ $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Q}^+: a R b \Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = k_1 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

$$\begin{array}{c} \wedge \\ b R c \Rightarrow \frac{b}{c} = k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \\ (*) \end{array}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{b}{c} = \frac{a}{c} = k_1 \cdot k_2 = k \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \Rightarrow a R c$$

$\Rightarrow R \text{ is transitive.}$

① & ② & ③ $\Rightarrow R \text{ is Partial order on } \mathbb{Q}^+$

(ii) We have R is Partial order on \mathbb{Q}^+ .

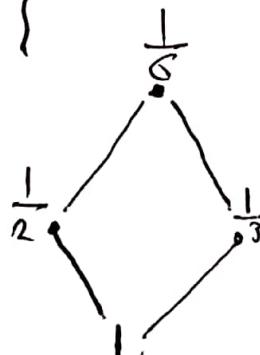
$$3, 5 \in \mathbb{Q}^+ : \frac{3}{5} \notin \mathbb{Z}^+ \Rightarrow 3R5 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} 3, 5 \text{ incomparable} \\ \text{Parallel} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\frac{5}{3} \notin \mathbb{Z}^+ \Rightarrow 5R3 \quad \downarrow$$

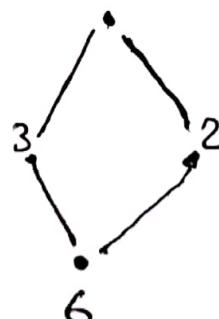
$\therefore R$ is not total order
on \mathbb{Q}^+ .

(iii) $A = \left\{ \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 2, 3, 6 \right\}$

$$R = \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6} \right), \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right), \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right), (1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (6, 6), \right. \\ \left(6, 3 \right), \left(6, 2 \right), \left(6, 1 \right), \left(6, \frac{1}{2} \right), \left(6, \frac{1}{3} \right), \left(6, \frac{1}{6} \right), \left(3, 1 \right), \left(3, \frac{1}{2} \right) \\ \left(3, \frac{1}{3} \right), \left(3, \frac{1}{6} \right), \left(2, 1 \right), \left(2, \frac{1}{2} \right), \left(2, \frac{1}{3} \right), \left(2, \frac{1}{6} \right), \left(1, \frac{1}{2} \right), \left(1, \frac{1}{3} \right) \\ \left. \left(1, \frac{1}{6} \right), \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{6} \right), \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{6} \right) \right\}$$



Hasse Diagram



3. Let R be a relation defined on the set $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$:

$$a, b \in \mathbb{N}, a R b \Leftrightarrow \frac{b}{a} = 2^k : k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

- (i) Show that R is a partial ordering relation on \mathbb{N} .
- (ii) Decide whether R is totally ordering relation on \mathbb{N} , why?
- (iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial ordering relation R on the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 12\}$

Sol. (i) ① $\forall a \in \mathbb{N}, \frac{a}{a} = 1 = 2^0 \Rightarrow aRa \Rightarrow R$ is refl.

② $a, b \in \mathbb{N}: a R b \Rightarrow \frac{b}{a} = 2^{k_1} \wedge b R a \Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = 2^{k_2} : k_1, k_2 \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

$$b R a \Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = 2^{k_2} \quad ?$$

$$\frac{b}{a} \cdot \frac{a}{b} = 1 = 2^{k_1} \cdot 2^{k_2} \Rightarrow 2^0 = 2^{k_1+k_2} \Rightarrow$$

$$k_1 + k_2 = 0 \Rightarrow k_1 = k_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = 2^0 = 1$$

$\Rightarrow a = b \Rightarrow R$ is antisymm.

③ $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}: a R b \Rightarrow \frac{b}{a} = 2^{h_1} : h_1, h_2 \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

$$b R c \Rightarrow \frac{c}{b} = 2^{h_2}$$

$$\frac{b}{a} \cdot \frac{c}{b} = 2^{h_1} \cdot 2^{h_2} \Rightarrow \frac{c}{a} = 2^{h_1+h_2} = 2^h$$

$\Rightarrow a R c \Rightarrow R$ is transitive. $: h_1 + h_2 = h \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

① & ② & ③ $\Rightarrow R$ is partial order on \mathbb{N} .

(ii) We have R is Partial order on \mathbb{N} .

$$3, 5 \in \mathbb{N}, \frac{5}{3} \neq 2^k \wedge \frac{3}{5} \neq 2^k : k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3R5 \wedge 5R3$$



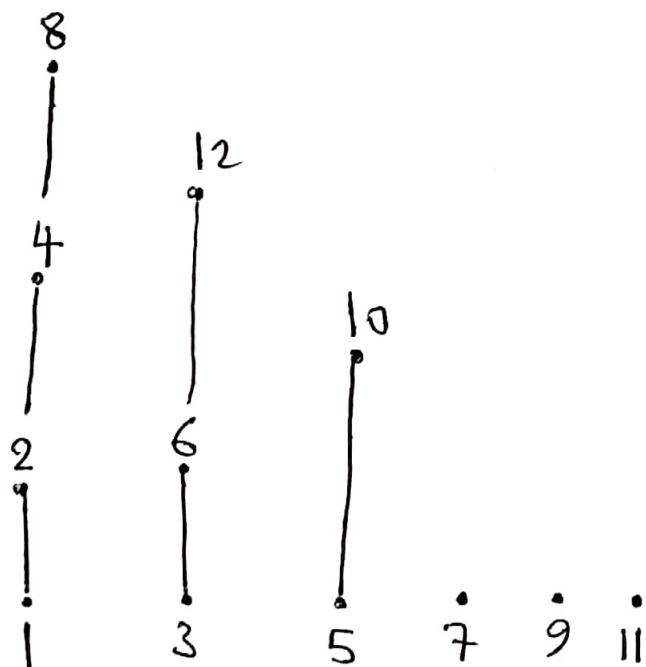
3, 5 incomparable.



$\therefore R$ is not total order.

(iii) $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), \dots, (12, 12),$

$$\begin{array}{l} (\underline{1}, 2), (\underline{1}, 4), (\underline{1}, 8), (\underline{2}, 4), (\underline{2}, 8), (\underline{3}, 6), (\underline{3}, 12), \\ (\underline{4}, 8), (\underline{5}, 10), (\underline{6}, 12) \end{array}\}$$



Q5. Let T be a relation defined on the set $\mathbb{Z}^* = \{\dots, -2, -1, 1, 2, \dots\}$:

$$a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^*, a T b \Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{b} = 3^k \quad : k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

- (i) Show that T is a partial order relation on \mathbb{Z}^* .
- (ii) Decide whether T is total order relation on \mathbb{Z}^* , why?
- (iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial order relation T on the set $A = \{-27, -18, -9, -6, -3, 1, 2, 3, 6, 9\}$.

Solution :

4. Let T be a relation defined on the set \mathbb{Z} :

$$x, y \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad x T y \Leftrightarrow x - y = 2k \quad : k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

- (i) Show that T is a partial ordering relation on \mathbb{Z} .
- (ii) Decide whether T is totally ordering relation on \mathbb{Z} , why?
- (iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial ordering relation T on the set $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$.

Solution: (i) ① $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, x - x = 0 = 2(0) \Rightarrow x T x \Rightarrow T$ is **refl.**

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad x, y \in \mathbb{Z}: x T y \Rightarrow x - y = 2k_1 & \quad : k_1, k_2 \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} \\ y T x \Rightarrow y - x = 2k_2 & \quad ? \\ (+) \quad \overline{0 = 2(k_1 + k_2)} \Rightarrow k_1 + k_2 = 0 \Rightarrow k_1 = k_2 = 0 & \\ \Rightarrow x - y = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{x = y} \Rightarrow T \text{ is } \text{antisymm}. & \end{aligned}$$

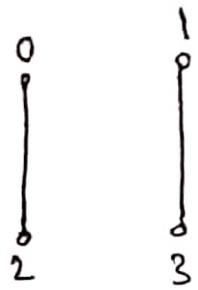
$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{3} \quad x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}: x T y \Rightarrow x - y = 2h_1 & \quad : h_1, h_2 \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} \\ y T z \Rightarrow y - z = 2h_2 & \\ (+) \quad \overline{x - z = 2(h_1 + h_2)} = 2h & \quad : h_1 + h_2 = h \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} \\ \Rightarrow x T z \Rightarrow T \text{ is } \text{transitive}. & \end{aligned}$$

①+②+③ $\Rightarrow T$ is **Partial order**.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad 4, 5 \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad 4 - 5 = -1 \text{ (odd)}, \quad 4 \nmid 5 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \{4, 5 \text{ incomparable} \\ \downarrow \\ \therefore T \text{ is not total order.} \end{array} \right\} \\ 5 - 4 = 1 \text{ (odd)}, \quad 5 \nmid 4 & \end{aligned}$$

(iii)

$$T = \{(0,0), (1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (2,1), (3,1)\}.$$



Hasse Diagram.

6. Let T be a relation defined on the set $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$:

$$x, y \in \mathbb{N}, \quad x \, T \, y \Leftrightarrow x = y^k \quad : k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

- (i) Show that T is a partial ordering relation on \mathbb{N} .
(ii) Decide whether T is totally ordering relation on \mathbb{N} , why?
(iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial ordering relation T on
the set $A = \{1,2,3,4\}$.

Solution: (i) ① $\forall x \in N, x = x^T \Rightarrow x^T x = x$ is refl.

$$\textcircled{2} \quad x, y \in \mathbb{N}: x^T y \Rightarrow x = y^{k_1} \wedge y^T x \Rightarrow y = x^{k_2} : k_1, k_2 \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \overline{y^1} = (y^{K_1})^{K_2} = y^{K_1 K_2} \Rightarrow \therefore K_1 K_2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow K_1 = K_2 = 1 \Rightarrow x = y \Rightarrow T \text{ is antisymmetric}.$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad x, y, z \in N : \begin{cases} x^T y \Rightarrow x = y^{h_1} \\ y^T z \Rightarrow y = z^{h_2} \end{cases} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} h_1, h_2 \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{By subst. } \Rightarrow x = (z^{h_2})^{h_1} = z^{h_1 h_2} = z^h : h_1 h_2 = h \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$\Rightarrow \therefore xTz \Rightarrow T$ is transitive.

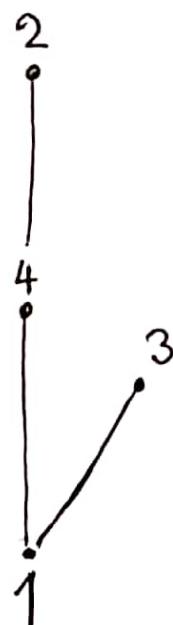
①+②+③ \Rightarrow T is partial order.

$$(ii) \quad 2, 3 \in \mathbb{N}, \quad 2 \nmid 3 : 2 \neq 3^k : k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$3 \nmid 2 : 3 \neq 2^k$$

$\therefore 2, 3$ incomparable $\Rightarrow T$ is not total order.

$$(iii) T = \left\{ (1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (4,4), \underbrace{(1,2)}, \underline{(1,3)}, \underline{(1,4)}, \underline{(4,2)} \right\}$$



Hasse Diagram .

13. Let T be a relation defined on the set $\mathbb{Z}^* = \{\dots, -2, -1, 1, 2, \dots\} = \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}$

H.W.

$$x, y \in \mathbb{Z}^*, x R y \Leftrightarrow x = y^{2k+1} : k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

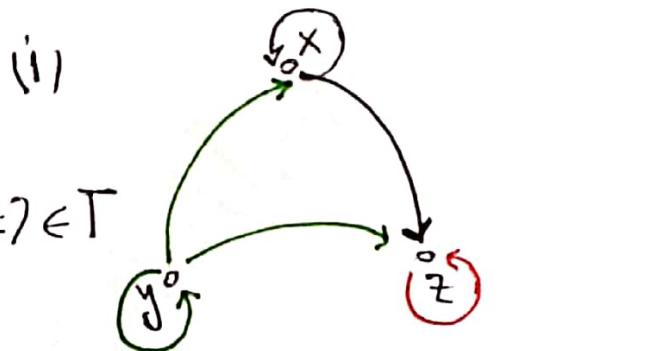
- (i) Show that T is a partial ordering relation on \mathbb{Z}^* .
- (ii) Decide whether T is totally ordering relation on \mathbb{Z}^* , why?
- (iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial ordering relation T on the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 27\}$.

Solution : (i)

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7. Let $T = \{(x,x), (x,z), (y,x), (y,y), (y,z), (z,z)\}$ be a relation defined on the set $B = \{x, y, z\}$

- Represent the relation T by diagram.
- Show that T is a partial order relation on B .
- Decide whether T is total order relation on A . why?
- Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial order relation T on the set B .



(ii) (1) $(x,x), (y,y)$ and $(z,z) \in T$
 $\therefore T$ is refl.

(2) $\because (x,z) \in T$, but $(z,x) \notin T$
 $\wedge (y,z) \in T$, but $(z,y) \notin T$
and $(y,x) \in T$, but $(x,y) \notin T$ } $\Rightarrow T$ is antisymm.

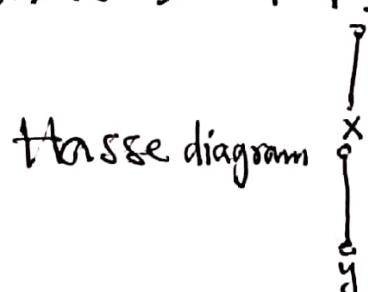
(3) $\because (y,x) \in T$
 $\wedge (x,z) \in T$ } and $(y,z) \in T \Rightarrow T$ is transitive.

① & ② & ③ $\Rightarrow T$ is Partial order.

(iii) $\because (y,x) \wedge (x,z) \text{ and } (y,z) \in T \Rightarrow B = \{x, y, z\}$

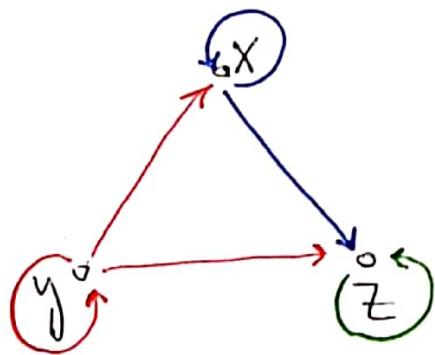
(B, T) is Comparable $\Rightarrow T$ is total order.

(iii)



#7]

(i)



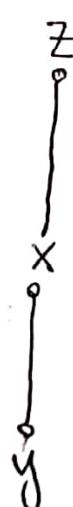
- (iii) ① $\because (x,x), (y,y)$ and $(z,z) \in T$
 $\therefore T$ is **refl.**

② $\because (x,z) \in T$, but $(z,x) \notin T$
 $\wedge (y,x) \in T$, but $(x,y) \notin T$
 $\wedge (y,z) \in T$, but $(z,y) \notin T$ } $\therefore T$ is **antisym.**

③ $\because (y,x) \wedge (x,z)$ and $(y,z) \in T \Rightarrow T$ is **transitive**.

① & ② & ③ $\Rightarrow \therefore T$ is **Partial order**.

(ii) $\because (x,z) \in T \Rightarrow xTz$
 $(y,x) \in T \Rightarrow yTx$
 $(y,z) \in T \Rightarrow yTz$ } (B,T) **Comparable**.
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↓
 T is **Total order**.



Hasse diagram
(**chain**)

8. Let S be a relation defined on the set $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$:
 $x, y \in \mathbb{N}, x S y \Leftrightarrow \frac{x}{y}$ is odd integer.

- (i) Show that S is a partial order relation on \mathbb{N} .
- (ii) Decide whether S is total order relation on \mathbb{N} , why?
- (iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial order relation S on the set $A = \{1, 2, 6\}$.

Solution: (i) ① $\forall x \in \mathbb{N}, \frac{x}{x} = 1$ (odd) $\Rightarrow x S x \Rightarrow S$ is reflexive.

② $x, y \in \mathbb{N}: x S y \Rightarrow \frac{x}{y} = m_1$ (odd) $\in \mathbb{N}$

$$y S x \Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = m_2 \text{ (odd)} \in \mathbb{N}$$

(*)

$$\frac{x}{y} \cdot \frac{y}{x} = m_1 \cdot m_2 \Rightarrow m_1 \cdot m_2 = 1 \Rightarrow m_1 = m_2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \therefore \frac{x}{y} = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{x=y} \Rightarrow S \text{ is antisymmetric.}$$

③ $x, y, z \in \mathbb{N}$

$$x S y \Rightarrow \frac{x}{y} = 2k_1 + 1 \quad : k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$y S z \Rightarrow \frac{y}{z} = 2k_2 + 1$$

$$(*) \quad \frac{x}{z} = \frac{x}{y} \cdot \frac{y}{z} = (2k_1 + 1)(2k_2 + 1) \Rightarrow \frac{x}{z} = 4k_1 k_2 + 2k_1 + 2k_2 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{z} = 2(\underbrace{2k_1 k_2 + k_1 + k_2}_{\text{all } k \in \mathbb{N}}) + 1 = 2k + 1 \text{ (odd)} \Rightarrow x S z$$

(iii) $S = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (6, 6), (6, 2)\}$



#8] (i) ① $\forall x \in \mathbb{N}, \frac{x}{x} = 1$ (odd) $\Rightarrow x \sim x \Rightarrow T$ is reflexive.

② $x, y \in \mathbb{N}: x \sim y \Rightarrow \frac{x}{y} = m_1$ (odd) $\in \mathbb{N}$.

$y \sim x \Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = m_2$ (odd) $\in \mathbb{N}$.
or?

(*)

$$\frac{x}{y}, \frac{y}{x} = m_1, m_2 \Rightarrow 1 = m_1, m_2 \Rightarrow m_1 = m_2 = 1$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{y} = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{x=y} \Rightarrow T$ is antisymmetric.

③ $x, y, z \in \mathbb{N}: x \sim y \Rightarrow \frac{x}{y} = 2k+1 \in \mathbb{N}$
 $\wedge \quad \quad \quad : k, h \in \{\dots, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$.

$$y \sim z \Rightarrow \frac{y}{z} = 2h+1 \in \mathbb{N}$$

(*)

$$\frac{x}{y}, \frac{y}{z} = (2k+1)(2h+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{z} = \underbrace{4kh + 2k + 2h + 1}_{H \in \mathbb{N}} = 2(2kh + k + h) + 1$$

$$\frac{x}{z} = 2H+1 \text{ (odd)} \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow x \sim z \Rightarrow T$$
 is transitive.

① & ② & ③ $\Rightarrow T$ is partial order on \mathbb{N} .

(ii) $3, 6 \in \mathbb{N}: 3 \sim 6, \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$ (not odd) $\Rightarrow 3, 6$ incomparable

$6 \not\sim 3, \frac{6}{3} = 2$ (even) $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} T \text{ is not total order} \\ \end{array} \right.$

8. Let S be a relation defined on the set $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$:

$x, y \in \mathbb{N}, x S y \Leftrightarrow \frac{x}{y}$ is odd integer.

- ✓ (i) Show that S is a partial order relation on \mathbb{N} .
- ✓ (ii) Decide whether S is total order relation on \mathbb{N} , why?
- ✓ (iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial order relation S on the set $A = \{1, 2, 6\}$.

Solution: (i)

$$\textcircled{1} \forall x \in \mathbb{N}, \frac{x}{x} = 1 \text{ (odd)} \Rightarrow x S x \Rightarrow S \text{ is refl.}$$

$$\textcircled{2} x, y \in \mathbb{N}: x S y \Rightarrow \frac{x}{y} = m_1 \text{ (odd)} \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\stackrel{(*)}{\overline{\frac{y}{x} S x \Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = m_2 \text{ (odd)}} \in \mathbb{N}}$$

$$\frac{x}{y} \cdot \frac{y}{x} = 1 = m_1 \cdot m_2 \Rightarrow m_1 = m_2 = \boxed{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{y} = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{x=y} \Rightarrow S \text{ is antisymmetric.}$$

$$\textcircled{3} x, y, z \in \mathbb{N}: x S y \Rightarrow \frac{x}{y} = h_1 \text{ (odd)} \in \mathbb{N}.$$

$$\stackrel{(*)}{\overline{y S z \Rightarrow \frac{y}{z} = h_2 \text{ (odd)}} \in \mathbb{N}}$$

$$\frac{x}{y} \cdot \frac{y}{z} = \frac{x}{z} = h_1 \cdot h_2 = h \text{ (odd)} \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\therefore \frac{x}{z} = h \text{ (odd)} \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow x R z \Rightarrow R \text{ is transitive}$$

① & ② & ③ $\Rightarrow S$ is Partial order.

(ii) we have \leq is Partial order on N

$$3, 6 \in N, \frac{6}{3} = 2 \text{ (even)} \Rightarrow 6 \nleq 3 \\ 3 \neq 6 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ (not odd integer)} \Rightarrow 3 \nleq 6 \quad \}$$

$\therefore 3, 6$ incomparable $\Rightarrow \leq$ is not total order on N .

(iii) $S = \{(1,1), (2,2), (6,6), (\underline{6,2})\}$



Hasse diagram.

H.W. 6. Let T be a relation defined on the set $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$:

$$x, y \in \mathbb{N}, x T y \Leftrightarrow x = y^k \quad : k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

- (i) Show that T is a partial ordering relation on \mathbb{N} .
- (ii) Decide whether T is totally ordering relation on \mathbb{N} , why?
- (iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial ordering relation T on the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$.

Solution: (i)

$$1- \forall x \in \mathbb{N}, x = x^1 \Rightarrow \therefore x T x \Rightarrow \therefore T \text{ is reflexive}$$

$$2- x, y \in \mathbb{N}, x T y \Leftrightarrow x = y^{k_1} : k_1 \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$\wedge$$

$$y T x \Leftrightarrow y = x^{k_2} : k_2 \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$(\text{by substitution}) \Rightarrow x = x^{k_1 k_2} \Rightarrow k_1 k_2 = 1 \Rightarrow k_1 = k_2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y \Rightarrow \therefore T \text{ is antisymmetric}$$

$$3- x, y, z \in \mathbb{N}, x T y \Leftrightarrow x = y^{k_1} : k_1 \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$\wedge$$

$$y T z \Leftrightarrow y = z^{k_2} : k_2 \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$(\text{by substitution}) \Rightarrow x = z^{k_1 k_2} \Rightarrow x = z^k : k_1 k_2 = k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$\Rightarrow x T z \Rightarrow \therefore T \text{ is transitive}$$

$\because T$ is reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive

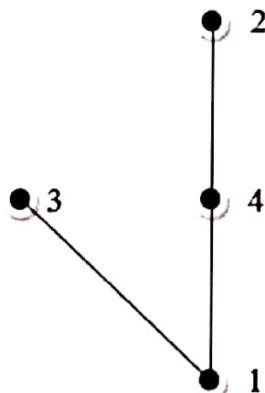
$\therefore T$ is partial ordering relation on \mathbb{N} .

$$(ii) 2, 5 \in \mathbb{N}, 2 \neq 5^k \wedge 5 \neq 2^k : k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

~~2 ≠ 5~~ ~~5 ≠ 2~~

$\therefore 2, 5$ incomparable $\Rightarrow \therefore T$ is not totally ordering relation.

$$(iii) T = \{(1,1), \dots, (4,4), (\underbrace{1,2}, \underbrace{1,3}, \underbrace{1,4}), (\underbrace{4,2})\}$$

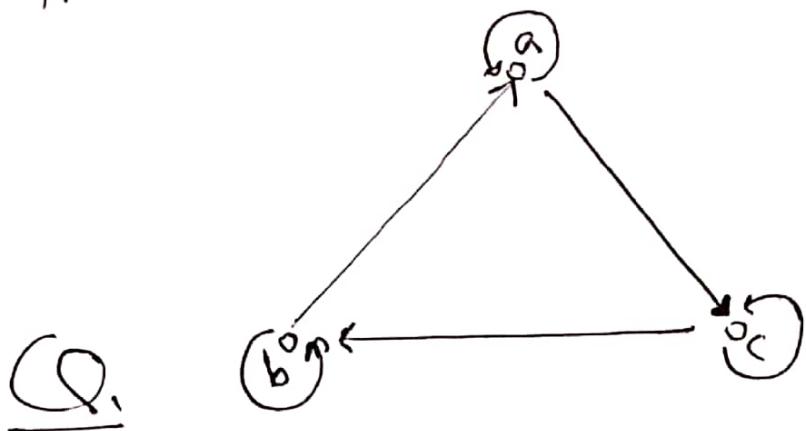


Hasse diagram of T

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &\overline{|} 2 : 1=2^0 \\ 1 &\overline{|} 3 : 1=3^0 \\ 1 &\overline{|} 4 : 1=4^0 \\ 4 &\overline{|} 2 : 4=2^2 \end{aligned}$$

(15)

~~#~~ Exam



Decide whether R is Partial order?

Sol.

$$R = \{(a,a), (b,b), (c,c), (b,a), (a,c), (c,b)\}.$$

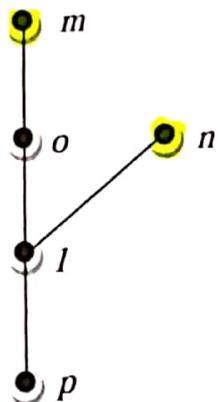
R is not transitive : $(a,c) \wedge (c,b) \in R$

\Downarrow But $(a,b) \notin R$.

R is not Partial order.

9. Let T be a partial order relation defined on the set $C = \{l, m, n, o, p\}$ shown in the given Hasse diagram

- (i) List all ordered pairs of T .
- (ii) Decide whether T is totally order relation on C , why?

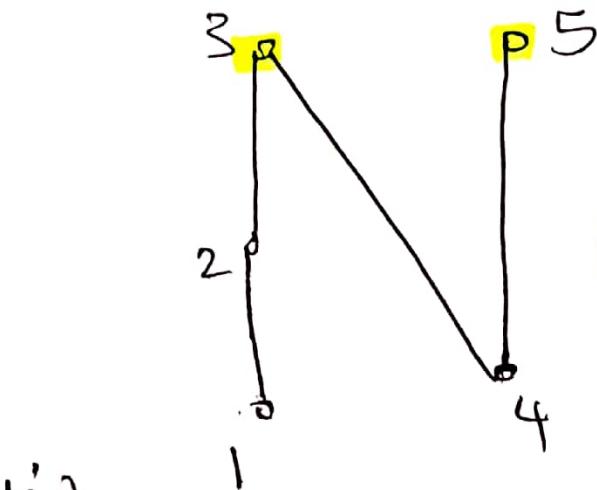


Sol. (i) $T = \{(l, l), (m, m), (n, n), (o, o), (p, p), (p, l), (p, o), (p, m), (p, n), (l, n), (l, o), (l, m), (o, m)\}$

(ii) $(m, n) \wedge (n, m) \notin T \Rightarrow$

$\therefore m, n$ incomparable $\Rightarrow T$ is not total order.

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 Let Γ be a partial order on $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ shown in the given Hasse diagram.



(i)

$$\Gamma = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (4,4), (5,5), (1,2), (1,3), (2,3), (4,3), (4,5)\}.$$

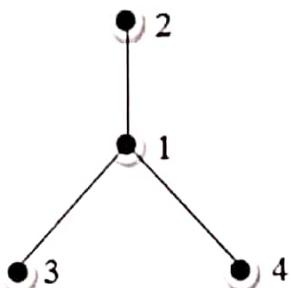
(ii) $(3,5) \wedge (5,3) \notin \Gamma \Rightarrow 3, 5$ incomparable

$\therefore \Gamma$ is not a total order.

10. Let S be a partial ordering relation defined on the set $A = \{1,2,3,4\}$

shown in the given Hasse diagram

- (i) List all ordered pairs of S .
- (ii) Decide whether S is totally ordering relation on A , why?



Solution:

$$S = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (4,4), (3,1), (4,1), (1,2), (3,2), (4,2)\}$$

$\because (3,4) \wedge (4,3) \notin S \quad \therefore 3, 4 \text{ incomparable} \Rightarrow S \text{ is not totally ordering relation.}$

? Exam

H.W. # Let $P = \{(1,1), (1,3), (2,1), (2,2), (2,3), (3,3), (4,1), (4,3), (4,4)\}$
be a partial order on the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$.

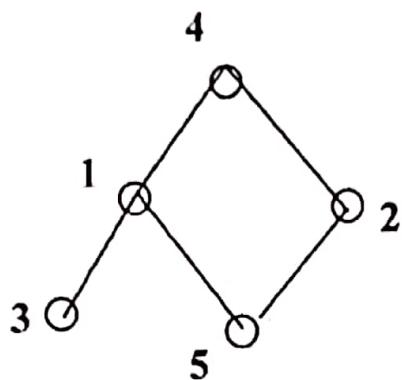
(i) Draw the Hasse diagram of P .

(ii) Decide whether P is a total order.

23. Let T be a partial ordering relation defined on the set $A = \{1,2,3,4,5\}$

shown in the given Hasse diagram

- (i) List all ordered pairs of T .
- (ii) Decide whether T is totally ordering relation on A , why?



24. Let R be a relation defined on the set $\mathbb{Z}^+ = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$:

$$m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, m R n \Leftrightarrow m = n^a : a \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

- (i) Show that R is a partial ordering relation on \mathbb{Z}^+ .
- (ii) Decide whether R is totally ordering relation on \mathbb{Z}^+ , why?
- (iii) Draw the Hasse diagram representing the partial ordering relation R on the set $A = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$