

Relations

Ordered pair: Let A and B be any two sets then by an ordered pair of elements, we mean a pair (x, y) where $x \in A, y \in B$.

for e.g. $(1, 2), (3, 6) (1, 9)$

Cartesian product of sets

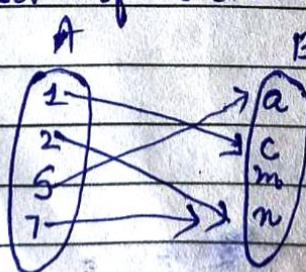
Let A and B be any two non empty sets then the Cartesian product of the sets A & B is the set of all ordered pairs (x, y) such that $x \in A, y \in B$ & it is denoted by $A \times B$.

$$\therefore A \times B = \{(x, y) : x \in A \text{ and } y \in B\}$$

e.g. If $A = \{1, 2\}$ & $B = \{3, 4, 5\}$ then $A \times B$ is $\{(1, 3) (1, 4) (1, 5) (2, 3) (2, 4) (2, 5)\}$

Relation:

A set of ordered pairs is defined as a relation



This mapping depicts a relation from a

Set A into Set B.

A Relation from A to B is a subset of $A \times B$.

The ordered pairs are $(1, c), (2, n), (5, a), (7, n)$
where set $\{1, 2, 5, 7\}$ represents the domain
 $\{c, n, a\}$ represents the range.

Domain and Range of a relation

Let R be a relation from set A to set B. Then domain of R is the set of all first coordinates of the ordered pairs belonging to R.

Range is set of all second coordinates of ordered pairs belonging to R.

for e.g. consider $A = \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$ & $B = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}$
& $R = \{(1, 8), (3, 6), (5, 2), (7, 4)\}$ be a relation from A to B. then

Domain of R = $\{1, 3, 5\}$

Range of R = $\{2, 4, 6, 8\}$

Inverse Relation: Let R be a relation from set A to set B. then the inverse relation is a relation from B to A.

It is denoted by \bar{R} .

Thus $R = \{(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}$ then

$$\bar{R} = \{(b, a) : b \in B, a \in A\}$$

Also Domain of \bar{R} = Range of R

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Types of Relations

1) Reflexive relation: A relation R on a set A is said to be reflexive relation if every element of A is related to itself.
 Thus R is reflexive iff $(x, x) \in R \forall x \in A$.

A relation R on a set A is not reflexive if there is an element $x \in A$ such that $(x, x) \notin R$.

for e.g. consider $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ then the relation R_1 defined by $R_1 = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 3), (2, 1)\}$ is a reflexive relation on A .

Also $R_2 = \{(1, 1), (3, 3), (2, 1), (3, 2)\}$ is not reflexive relation as $(2, 2) \notin R_2$.

2) Symmetric relation: let A be any set then the relation R on the set A is called symmetric if $(x, y) \in R \Rightarrow (y, x) \in R$ & $x, y \in A$.

for e.g. if $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and define relation R_1 & R_2 as

$$R_1 = \{(1, 3), (1, 4), (3, 1), (2, 2), (4, 1)\}$$

$$R_2 = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 3)\}$$

In R_1 , $(1, 3) \in R_1 \Rightarrow (3, 1) \in R_1$,
 $(1, 4) \in R_1 \Rightarrow (4, 1) \in R_1$,
 $\& (2, 2) \in R_1 \Rightarrow (2, 2) \in R_1$,

$\therefore R_1$ is a symmetric relation on set A.

In R_2 $(1,3) \in R_2$ but $(3,1) \notin R_2$

Thus R_2 is not a sym. relation.

3) Transitive relation : let A be any set.

Then a relation R is said to be transitive iff

$(x,y) \in R$ and $(y,z) \in R \Rightarrow (x,z) \in R \quad \forall$

$x,y,z \in A$

for E.g. If $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and define a relation $R = \{(2,1), (3,1), (3,2), (4,1), (4,2), (4,3)\}$

R is transitive as

$(3,2)$ and $(2,1) \in R \Rightarrow (3,1) \in R$

$(4,3)$ and $(3,1) \in R \Rightarrow (4,1) \in R$

$(4,2)$ and $(2,1) \in R \Rightarrow (4,1) \in R$

$(4,3)$ and $(3,2) \in R \Rightarrow (4,2) \in R$.

Consider set A of straight lines in a plane.
define a relation "is parallel to" on A.

Take $l_1, l_2, l_3 \in A$

Then l_1 is \parallel to l_2 & l_2 to \parallel to l_3

$\therefore l_1$ is \parallel to l_3 .

\therefore relation parallel to is transitive.

Q If $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

and $R_1 = \{(1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (2,2), (3,4), (4,1), (4,4)\}$

R_1 is not transitive as $(3,4) \in R$, and $(4,1) \in R$
but $(3,1) \notin R$.

Examples :

Q1) Let R be a relation on $A = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$
defined by "x is relative prime to y".
Write R as set of ordered pairs.

Sol. We know two integers (x,y) are said
to be prime iff $\text{gcd}(x,y) = 1$ i.e. gcd of x & y
is 1.

$$\therefore R = \{(2,3), (2,5), (3,4), (3,5), (4,5), (5,6)\}$$

Q2) Let R be the relation on set $X = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$
of non negative integers defined by the
relation e.g. $x^2 + y^2 = 25$. Write R as set of
ordered pairs.

Sol Given $x^2 + y^2 = 25 \Rightarrow y^2 = 25 - x^2$

$$x=0 \Rightarrow y=5$$

$$x=3 \Rightarrow y=4$$

$$x=4 \Rightarrow y=3$$

$$x=5 \Rightarrow y=0$$

$$\therefore R = \{(0,5), (3,4), (4,3), (5,0)\}$$

ii) Let S be a relation on a set N of the integers defined by Equation $3x+4y=17$. Write set S as ordered pairs.

Sol since $3x+4y=17$

$$4 \quad 3x = 17 - 4y$$

$$\text{If } y=1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{11}{3} \notin \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{If } y=2 \Rightarrow x = 3$$

$$\text{If } y=3 \Rightarrow x = \frac{5}{3} \notin \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{If } y=4 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3} \notin \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{If } y=5 \Rightarrow x = -1 \text{ not a true int.}$$

$$\therefore S = \{(2, 3)\}$$

iii) Let R be a relation on a set N of the integers defined by $x^2+2y=100$ find domain & Range of R .

Sol since $x^2+2y=100$

$$2y = 100 - x^2 \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} x=7 \Rightarrow y=\frac{51}{2} \\ x=8 \Rightarrow y=18 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{If } y \geq x=1 \Rightarrow y=\frac{99}{2} \notin \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x=2 \Rightarrow y=\frac{96}{2}=48$$

$$x=9 \Rightarrow y=\frac{19}{2}$$

$$x=3 \Rightarrow y=\frac{91}{2} \notin \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x=10 \Rightarrow y=0$$

$$x=4 \Rightarrow y=\frac{84}{2}=42$$

$$\therefore R = \{(2, 48), (4, 42), (6, 32), (8, 18)\}$$

$$x=5 \Rightarrow y=\frac{75}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{Domain} = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$$

$$x=6 \Rightarrow y=\frac{64}{2}=32$$

$$\text{Range} = \{32, 18, 42, 48\}$$

Antisymmetric relation

Let A be any set then a relation R on a set A is said to be antisymmetric iff $(x,y) \in R \text{ & } (y,x) \in R \Rightarrow x = y ! \quad \forall x, y \in A$

for e.g. if $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

$$\text{and } R_1 = \{(1,1) (1,2) (2,1) (2,2)\}$$

$$R_2 = \{(1,1) (2,2) (3,3)\} \cancel{\{(4,4)\}}$$

R_1 is not antisymmetric as $(1,2) \in R_1 \text{ & } (2,1) \in R_1$, but $1 \neq 2$.

R_2 is an antisymmetric relation i.e. Identity relation is antisymmetric.

Equivalence relation:

Let A be any set then a Relation R on a set A is said to be an equivalence relation on A iff

- (i) It is reflexive
- (ii) It is symmetric
- (iii) It is transitive

e.g. if $A = \{a, b, c\}$ & $R = \{(a,a) (b,b) (c,c) (a,b) (b,a)\}$

Then R is an Equivalence relation on A .

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Th: If R and S are two equivalence relations on a set A , then (a) $R \cup S$ is also equivalence relation on A .

(b) $R \cup S$ may or may not be an equivalence relation on A .

Ques: Given R is a relation on A . It means R is a subset of $A \times A$.

$$\text{i.e. } R \subseteq A \times A \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\text{Also } S \subseteq A \times A \rightarrow (2)$$

from Eq (1) & (2)

$$R \cup S \subseteq A \times A$$

i.e. $R \cup S$ is a subset of $A \times A$.

$\therefore R \cup S$ is a relation on A .

Now we shall show that $R \cup S$ is an equivalence relation on A .

(i) Reflexivity: Let x be an arbitrary element of A .

As R and S are equivalence relations on A .

$\therefore R$ and S are reflexive relations on A .

If $x \in A \Rightarrow (x, x) \in R$ and $(x, x) \in S$

$$\Rightarrow (x, x) \in R \cup S \forall x \in A.$$

Hence $R \cup S$ is reflexive on A .

Symmetry: Let $x, y \in A$ such that $(x, y) \in R \cup S$.

$\Rightarrow (x, y) \in R$ and $(x, y) \in S$

As R and S are symmetric relations on A .

$\therefore (y, x) \in R$ & $(y, x) \in S$

$\Rightarrow (y, x) \in R \cup S$.

$\therefore (x,y) \in RNS \Rightarrow (y,x) \in RNS \quad \forall x,y \in A$
 $\therefore RNS$ is symmetric on A .

(ii) Transitivity: Let $x,y,z \in A$ s.t.

$(x,y) \in RNS, (y,z) \in RNS$

We shall show that $(x,z) \in RNS$.

Now $(x,y) \in RNS$ & $(y,z) \in RNS$

$\Rightarrow (x,y) \in R$ and $(x,y) \in S$

Also $(y,z) \in R$ and $(y,z) \in S$

Also R and S are transitive on A

$\therefore (x,y) \in R$ and $(y,z) \in R \Rightarrow (x,z) \in R$

Also $(x,y) \in S$ & $(y,z) \in S \Rightarrow (x,z) \in S$

$\Rightarrow (x,z) \in RNS$

$\therefore RNS$ is transitive on A .

Hence RNS is an equivalence relation on A .

(b) Now we shall show that RUS may or may not be equivalence relation on A .

Consider $A = \{a, b, c\}$

Define relation R and S by

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

$$S = \{(a,a), (b,b), (c,c), (b,c), (c,b)\}$$

clearly R and S are equivalence relation on A .

$$\text{but } RUS = \{(a,a), (b,b), (c,c), (a,s), (s,a), (b,s), (s,b), (c,s), (s,c)\}$$

Here $(a,b) \in R_{US}$, $(b,c) \in R_{US}$

but $(a,c) \notin R_{US}$

$\therefore R_{US}$ is not transitive.

Hence R_{US} can't be equivalence relation on A.

Type Partial order relation: A relation R on a set A is called partial relation if it is

- (i) reflexive
- (ii) Anti-symmetric
- (iii) Transitive

for e.g. Define a relation \subseteq on A set.

We shall show that \subseteq is a partial relation on A.

- (i) Let $A \subseteq A$ for any set A i.e. \subseteq is reflexive
- (ii) If $A \subseteq B$ & $B \subseteq A$ then $A = B$ i.e. \subseteq is anti-symmetric
- (iii) If $A \subseteq B$ & $B \subseteq C$ then $A \subseteq C$ i.e. \subseteq is transitive

\therefore The relation \subseteq is partial order relation.

Identity Relation: Let A be any set. Then the relation $R = \{(x,x) : x \in A\}$ on A is called identity relation on A. Thus in identity relation, every element is related to itself only.

for e.g.: $A = \{a, b, c\}$ & define two relations R_1 & R_2

$$R_1 = \{(a,a), (b,b), (c,c)\}$$

$$\& R_2 = \{(a,a), (b,b), (c,c), (a,b)\}$$

$\therefore R_1$ is identity relation on A but R_2 is not an identity relation as $a \underset{\text{---}}{\sim} b$ related to $a \& b$.

Empty or Void relation \Rightarrow let A be any set.
 Thus $\emptyset \subseteq A \times A$ & hence it is a relation
 on A . This relation is called Void or Empty
 relation.

Universal relation: let A be any set. Then
 $A \times A \subseteq A \times A$ & hence it is a relation on A .
 This relation is called universal
 relation on A .

(a) Give an example to show that a reflexive
 relation on a set A is not necessarily
 symmetric.

(b) Prove that a relation R on a set A
 is symmetric iff $R = \bar{R}$.

Sol. consider $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

and define a relation R by

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

Here $(x,x) \in R \forall x \in A$

\therefore The relation R is reflexive.

But $(1,2) \in R \Rightarrow (2,1) \notin R$

\therefore Relation R is not symmetric.

(b) Let R is symmetric on A

We shall show that $R = \bar{R} \Rightarrow R \subseteq \bar{R}$ & $R \subseteq R$

Let $(x,y) \in R \& x, y \in A$

2) $(y,x) \in R \because (R \text{ is symmetric})$

$\Rightarrow (x,y) \in \bar{R}$. [By definition of inverse relation]

3) $(x,y) \in R \Rightarrow (x,y) \in \bar{R}$

$\Rightarrow \boxed{R \subseteq \bar{R}}$

$$(x_1, y) \in R \Leftrightarrow (y, x_1) \in R$$

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Again let $(x_1, y) \in R \wedge x_1, y \in A$

$\Rightarrow (y, x) \in R$ (by def of inverse relation)

$\Rightarrow (x, y) \in R \therefore (R \text{ is symmetric})$

$\therefore (x_1, y) \in R \Leftrightarrow (y, x_1) \in R$

$$\Rightarrow R = R^T \quad | \rightarrow ②$$

from ① & ②

$$R = R^T$$

converse: let $R = R^T$

We shall show that R is Symmetric

let $(x, y) \in R$

$$\Rightarrow (x, y) \in R \quad \therefore [R = R^T]$$

$\Rightarrow (y, x) \in R \wedge x, y \in A$ (By def of inverse relation)

$\therefore R$ is Symmetric

a) Each of following defines a relation on the set N of the integers

$$R: x > y$$

$$S: x+y=10$$

$$T: x+4y=10 \text{ for all } x, y \in N.$$

Determine which of following relations are

i) reflexive ii) Symmetric iii) Transitive

iv) Anti-Symmetric

Sol: Reflexive: R, S and T are not reflexive.
for e.g. $(1, 1) \notin R, S$ and T .

ii) Symmetric:

Let $x=3$ and $y=6$
since $y > x$ but $x \neq y$
 $\therefore R$ is not symmetric.

If $(x, y) \in S$ then $x+y=10$

2) $(y, x) \in S$ $\therefore y+x=10$

Hence S is symmetric.

Also if $x=6$ & $y=1$ then $x+4y=10$ holds

i.e. $(6, 1) \in T$ but $(1, 6) \notin T$ $\therefore (1+24 \neq 10)$

$\therefore T$ is not symmetric.

(c) Transitive:

Let $(x, y), (y, z) \in R$

$\therefore x > y$ and $y > z$

2) $x > z$

$\therefore (x, z) \in R$ & $x, y, z \in \mathbb{N}$

$\therefore R$ is transitive.

$$x=5 \quad y=4$$

$$5 > 4$$

$$4 > 2$$

let $(3, 7) \in S$ since $3+7=10$ and $(7, 3) \in S$ as $7+3=10$

but $(3, 3) \notin S$ as $3+3=6 \neq 10$

$\therefore S$ is not transitive.

further if $(x, y) \in T$ & $(y, z) \in T$

it means $x+4y=10$ & $y+4z=10$

$$\text{Consider } x+4z = x+10-y$$

$$= x+10 - \left(\frac{10-x}{4} \right)$$

$$= \frac{4x+40-10+x}{4}$$

$$= \frac{5x+30}{4} \neq 10$$

$(x, z) \notin T$
 $\therefore T$ is not transitive.

(d) Antisymmetric: if $x > y$ & $y > x$ then $x = y \forall x, y \in \mathbb{N}$
 $\therefore R$ is antisymmetric.

$(2, 8) \in S \quad \cancel{(8, 2)} \in S$ but $2 \neq 8$
 $\therefore S$ is not antisym.

87 $(x, y) \in T$ then $x + 4y = 10$

$(y, x) \in T$ then $y + 4x = 10$

$$x + 4y = y + 4x$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y = 3x \Rightarrow x = y \forall x, y \in \mathbb{N}$$

$\therefore T$ is antisym.

(e) Let A be set of integers & \sim be relation on $A \times A$ defined by $(a, b) \sim (c, d)$ if $a+d = b+c$.

Prove \sim is an equivalence relation.

ref. Reflexive: $(a, b) \sim (a, b)$ if $a+b = b+a$ which is true
 Hence \sim is reflexive

Sym: let $(a, b) \sim (c, d) \Rightarrow a+d = b+c$

$$\text{or } c+b = d+a$$

$$\Rightarrow (c, d) \sim (a, b)$$

$\therefore \sim$ is symmetric

Transitive: let $(a, b) \sim (c, d)$ & $(c, d) \sim (e, f)$

$$\Rightarrow a+d = b+c \quad \& \quad c+f = d+e$$

Adding; $a+d+f+e = b+c+d+e \Rightarrow a+f = b+e$
 $\therefore (a, b) \sim (e, f) \therefore \sim$ is transitive

Hence \sim is equivalence relation.

Asym

Asymmetric relation \rightarrow A relation R is called asymmetric relation if for every $(x, y) \in R \Rightarrow (y, x) \notin R \quad \forall x, y \in A$

for E.g. $A = \{1, 2\}$

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

Relation R is asymmetric as $(1, 2) \in R$ but $(2, 1) \notin R$

Irreflexive: A relation R is called

irreflexive if for Every $x \in A$, $(x, x) \notin R$

for E.g. $A = \{1, 2\}$ & $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 1)\}$

R is irreflexive since $(x, x) \notin R \quad \forall x \in A$.

Q.

what are Properties of relations. Explain with Examples.

There are many properties of relation. These properties tell us about the nature & type of relations. The following are main properties:

Reflexive relation

Irreflexive relation

Symmetric relation

Asymmetric relation

Antisymmetric relation

Transitive relation

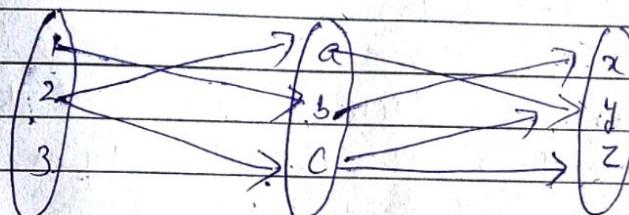
Explain Each def.

with Example

Composition of relations: let R and S are two relations from sets A to B & B to C resp. Then a relation $S \circ R$ is called Composite relation from A to C where $(a,c) \in S \circ R$ iff we can find $b \in B$ st $(a,b) \in R$ & $(b,c) \in S$. The relation $S \circ R$ is read as Composition of R & S .

e.g. let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ & $B = \{a, b, c\}$, $C = \{x, y, z\}$
Consider Relation R from A to B & S from B to C
st $R = \{(1, b), (2, a), (2, c)\}$; $S = \{(a, y), (b, x), (c, z)\}$

To find $R \circ S$ draw arrow diagram from R to S .



Since there is an arrow from 1 to b & b to x
 $\therefore (1, x) \in R \circ S$.

likewise $(2, y), (2, z) \in R \circ S$

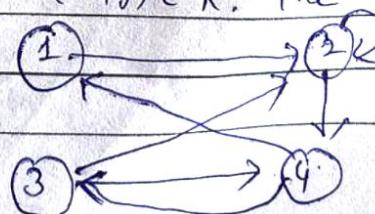
$$\therefore R \circ S = \{(1, x), (2, y), (2, z)\}$$

Directed graph or Digraph of a relation

Consider relation R on $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ defined as

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

Draws an element arrow from an element x to element y when $(x, y) \in R$. The following diagram shows directed graph.



a) Consider the set \mathbb{Z} of integers and an integer $m \geq 1$. We say that x is congruent to y modulo m written as $x \equiv y \pmod{m}$ if $x-y$ is divisible by m or $x-y = km$ for some integer k . Show that \equiv is an equivalence relation on \mathbb{Z} .

Sol (i) Reflexive : Since $x-x=0$ is divisible by m
 $\therefore x \equiv x \pmod{m} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{Z}$
 $\therefore \equiv$ is reflexive.

ii) Symmetric : Let $x \equiv y \pmod{m}$
 $\Rightarrow x-y$ is divisible by m
 $\Rightarrow x-y = km$ for some int k .
 $\therefore -(x-y) - (y-x) = km$
 $\Rightarrow y-x = -km$
 $\Rightarrow y-x = hm$ where $h=-k \in \mathbb{Z}$
 $\therefore y-x$ is divisible by m
 $\Rightarrow y \equiv x \pmod{m}$
 $\therefore \equiv$ is symmetric.

(iii) Transitive : Let $x \equiv y \pmod{m}$ & $y \equiv z \pmod{m}$
 $\therefore x-y$ and $y-z$ are divisible by m .

$\Rightarrow x-y + y-z$ is also divisible by m
 $\Rightarrow x-z$ is divisible by m
 $\Rightarrow x \equiv z \pmod{m}$
 $\therefore \equiv$ is transitive.

Hence \equiv is an equivalence relation.