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Recap Relations and properties of relations.

A binary relation R on set A, B is a subset of $A \times B$

$$R \subseteq A \times B$$

Properties of relation R defined on a single set A .

$$R \subseteq A \times A$$

- Reflexive

$$\forall a \in A : a R a$$

All nodes have self-loops.

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



$$R = \{ \langle 0, 0 \rangle, \langle 0, 1 \rangle, \langle 1, 1 \rangle \}$$

- Irreflexive

$$\forall a \in A : a \not R a$$



$$R = \{ \langle 0, 1 \rangle \}$$

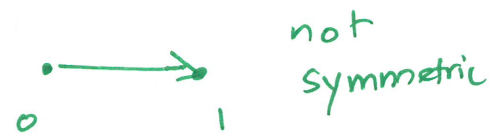
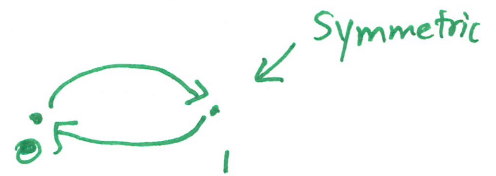


There can be relation which is neither reflexive nor irreflexive,

- Symmetric

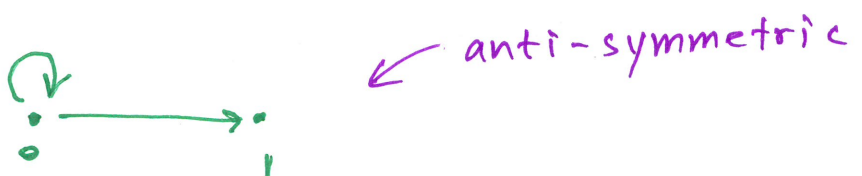
$$\forall a_1, a_2 \in A : a_1 R a_2 \Rightarrow a_2 R a_1$$

If you have a forward edge, then you need to have a backward edge.



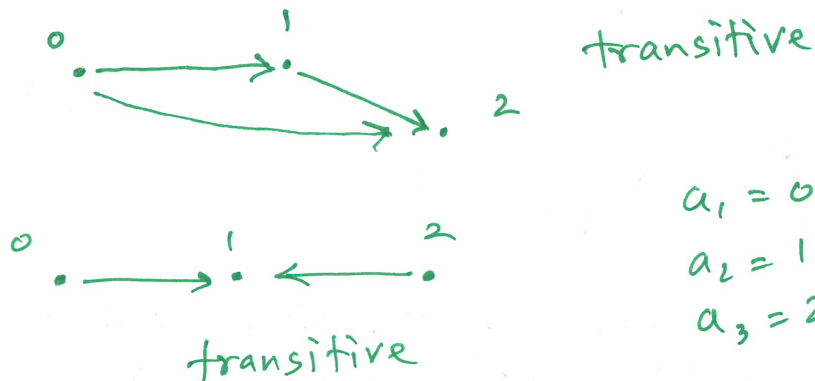
- Anti-Symmetric

$$\forall a_1, a_2 : (a_1 R a_2) \wedge (a_2 R a_1) \Rightarrow a_1 = a_2$$



- Transitive

$$\forall a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A : (a_1 R a_2) \wedge (a_2 R a_3) \Rightarrow (a_1 R a_3)$$

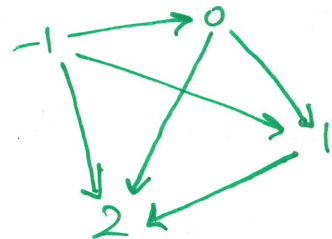


$a_1 = 0$	$a_1 = 0$
$a_2 = 1$	$a_2 = 2$
$a_3 = 2$	$a_3 = 1$

Ex: Relation $<$ on \mathbb{Z}
 R_2 \nearrow

$$R_2 \subseteq \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$$

$(a, b) \in R_2$, if $a < b$



- is it reflexive?

WTS $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z} : a R a$: **No.**

$$\forall a \in \mathbb{Z} : a \not R a \Rightarrow a \not R a$$

- is it irreflexive? **Yes**

WTS : $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z} : a \not R a$

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$$\forall a \in \mathbb{Z} : a \not R a$$

- is it symmetric?

WTS! $\forall a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{Z} : a_1 R a_2 \Rightarrow a_2 R a_1$ **No**

$$\text{Let } a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$1, 2 \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{Assume } a_1 < a_2$$

$$1 < 2 \text{ but } 2 \not< 1$$

$$\text{but } a_2 \not< a_1$$

is it anti-symmetric

WTS $\forall a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{Z} : (a_1 R a_2) \wedge (a_2 R a_1) \Rightarrow a_1 = a_2$

~~Assume~~ Let $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$

Assume $a_1 < a_2$ and $a_2 < a_1$

However, we cannot pick a_1, a_2 to be both $(a_1 < a_2) \wedge (a_2 < a_1)$. Therefore $(a_1 R a_2) \wedge (a_2 R a_1)$ is false.

Therefore the implication is vacuously true

R is anti-symmetric

is it transitive?

WTS $\forall a_1, a_2, a_3 \in \mathbb{Z} : (a_1 R a_2) \wedge (a_2 R a_3) \Rightarrow a_1 R a_3$

Let $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in \mathbb{Z}$

Assume $(a_1 R a_2) \wedge (a_2 R a_3)$

$(a_1 < a_2) \wedge (a_2 < a_3)$

by def of R

$a_1 < a_3$

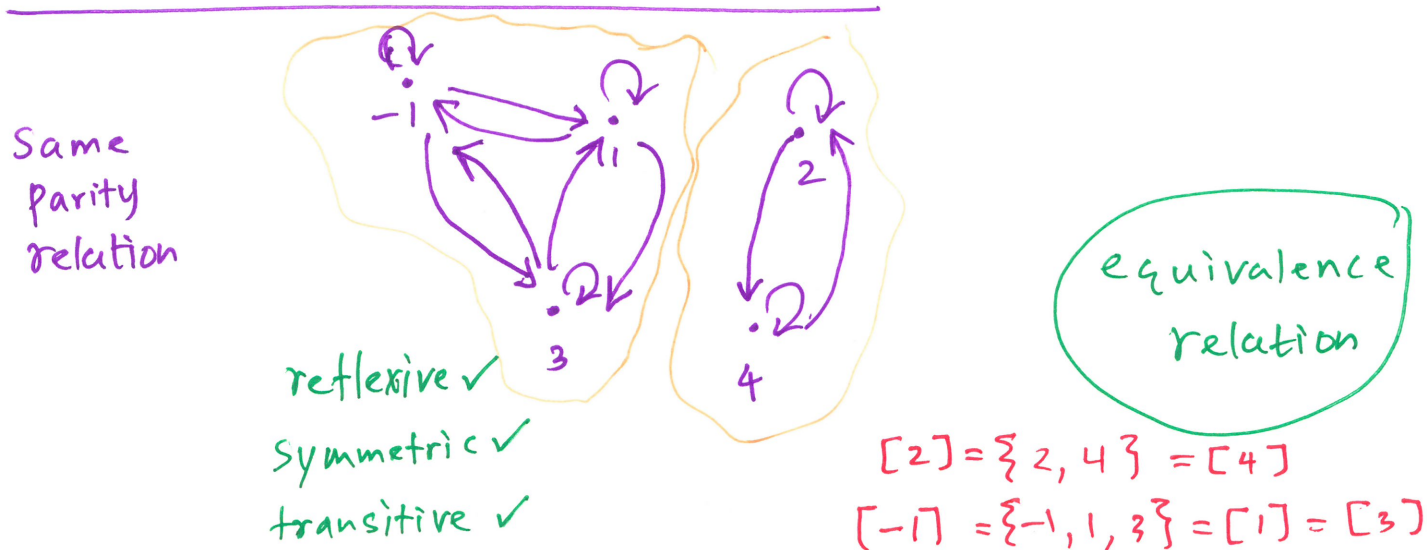
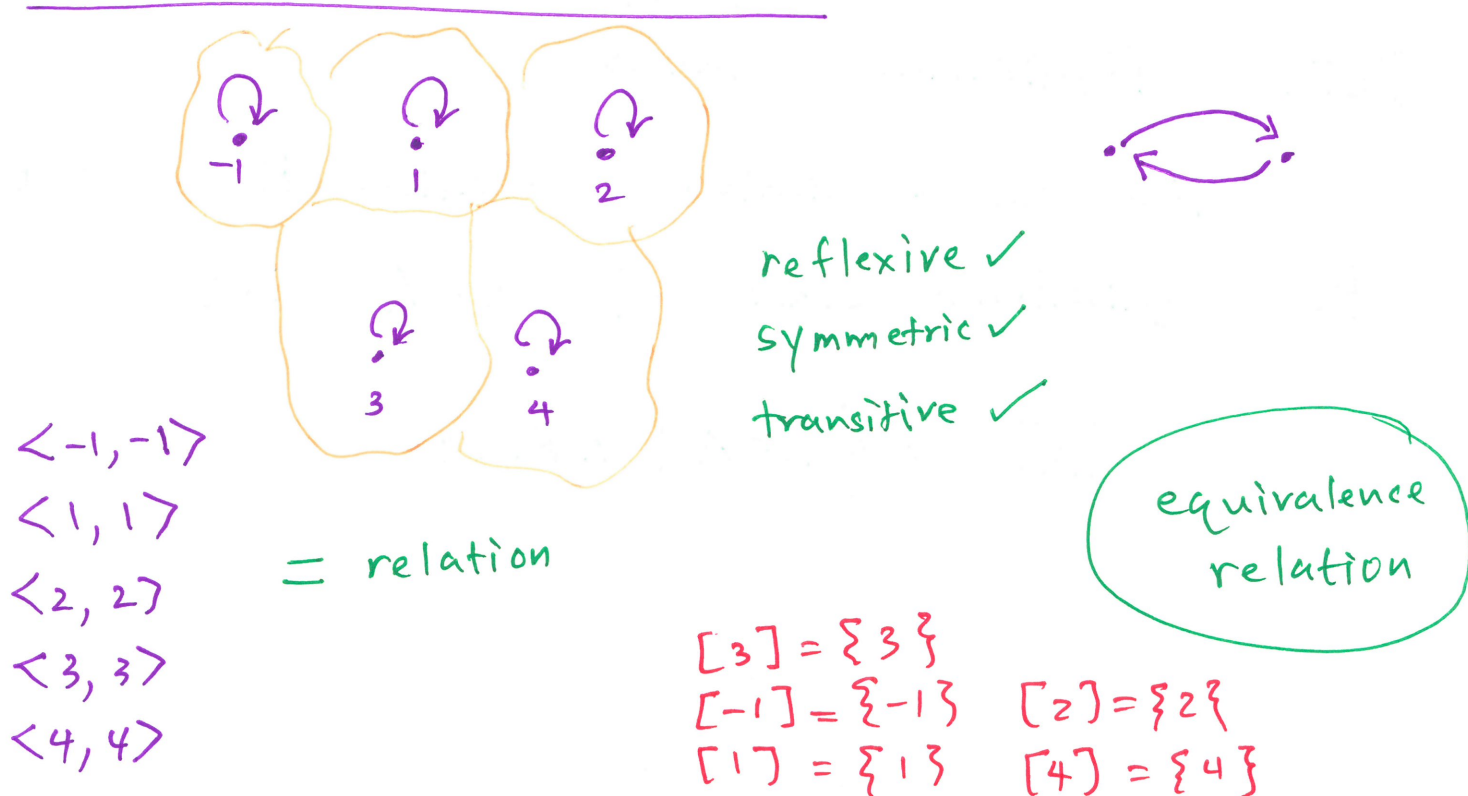
by def of less than.

$a_1 R a_3$

R is transitive.

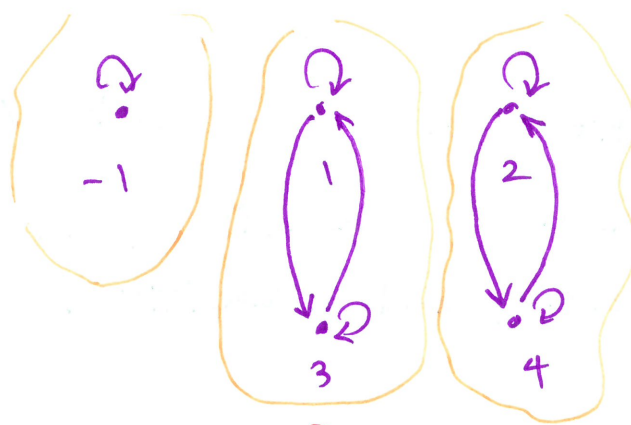
Def Relation R on Set A , is an equivalence relation, if R is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

$$A = \{-1, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$$



same sign
and
same parity

reflexive ✓
symmetric ✓
transitive ✓



equivalence
relation

$$[-1] = \{-1\}$$

$$[1] = \{1, 3\} = [3]$$

$$[2] = \{2, 4\} = [4]$$

Def Equivalence classes

For an equivalence relation R on set A
the equivalence class of $a \in A$ is:

$$[a] = \{x \in A : x R a\}$$