

## Solutions

### 1.1.1. Determine whether each of the following is true / false (ODEV-1)

a)  $\emptyset \subseteq \emptyset$

Yes it is true. The null set (empty set) is a subset of all sets.

b)  $\emptyset \in \emptyset$

False. An empty set is a set with no elements.

c)  $\emptyset \in \{\emptyset\}$

Yes.  $\emptyset$  is empty set with cardinality 0. However,  $\{\emptyset\}$  is a set with one element  $\emptyset$ .

d)  $\emptyset \subseteq \{\emptyset\}$

Yes. The null set (empty set) is a subset of all sets.

e)  $\{a, b\} \in \{a, b, c, \{a, b\}\}$

Yes. As  $\{a, b\}$  is an element of  $\{a, b, c, \{a, b\}\}$ .

f)  $\{a, b\} \subseteq \{a, b, \{a, b\}\}$

Yes. As  $\{a, b\}$  is an element of  $\{a, b, \{a, b\}\}$

g)  $\{a, b\} \subseteq \text{Power set of } \{a, b, \{a, b\}\}$

Yes.

h)  $\{\{a, b\}\} \in \text{Power set of } \{a, b, \{a, b\}\}$

Yes.

i)  $\{a, b, \{a, b\}\} - \{a, b\} = \{a, b\}$

False. It must be  $\{\{a, b\}\}$

### 1. 1.2.

(a)  $\{3, 5\}$

(b)  $\{3, 5, 7\}$

(c)  $\{1, 2, 7, 9\}$

(d)  $\{8\}, \{7, 8\}, \{8, 9\}, \{7, 8, 9\}$

(e)  $\{\emptyset\}$

(f)  $\{0, 1, 4, 9, 25, 36, \dots\}$  (the perfect squares)

(g)  $\emptyset$  (since the square root of 2 is not an integer)

### 1.1.3.

(a)	$A \cup (B \cap C)$	$= (B \cap C) \cup A$	commutativity
		$= (B \cup A) \cap (C \cup A)$	distributivity
		$= (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$	commutativity

(b)	$A \cap (B \cup C)$	$= (B \cup C) \cap A$	commutativity
		$= (B \cap A) \cup (C \cap A)$	distributivity
		$= (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$	commutativity

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \quad A \cap (A \cup B) &= (A \cup B) \cap A && \text{commutativity} \\ &= A && \text{absorption} \end{aligned}$$

**1.1.4. (a)**  $\{(1,1,1), (1,1,2), (1,1,3), (1,2,1), (1,2,2), (1,2,3)\}$

**(b)**  $\emptyset$

**(c)**  $\{(\emptyset, 1), (\emptyset, 2), (\{1\}, 1), (\{1\}, 2), (\{2\}, 1), (\{2\}, 2), (\{1,2\}, 1), (\{1,2\}, 2)\}$

### 1.3.1. Drawing

#### 1.3.2.

**a)** R is not reflexive, is not symmetric, is not transitive

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**b)** RUS is reflexive, is not symmetric, is not transitive

### 1.3.3. Drawing

**1.3.4.** Let A be a non-empty set and Let R is a subset of  $A \times A$  be the empty set. Which properties does R have.

Let us assume any set and any relation R for that set.

Let set  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and the relation for set A will be  $R = \{(a, b): a + b = 10\}$

So, we observe that  $a + b \neq 10$  for any two elements of set A.

Therefore  $(a, b) \notin R$  for any  $a, b \in A$ .

R does not contain elements of  $A \times A$ . So, R will be the empty set.

And, R will be the empty relation on set A. So, empty relation is not reflexive because it does not contain  $(a, a)$  for any  $a \in R$ .

As we know the definition of symmetric relation that if A be a set in which the relation R is defined. Then R is said to be a symmetric relation, if  $(a, b) \in R \Rightarrow (b, a) \in R$ .

Now for empty relation R does not contain any element of set A. So, relation R will be trivially symmetric.

As we know the definition of transitive relation that a relation R over a set A is transitive if for all elements a, b, c in A. Whenever R relates a to b and b to c, then R also relates a to c.

So, a empty relation has no element. So, it will also be trivially transitive.

So, empty relation is not reflexive but is symmetric and transitive.