

Name: Solutions

1. Determine the domain and range of each of the following relations on \mathbb{R} , and sketch the graph of each relation:

(a) $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid x^2 + y^2 = 10\}$

Since $x^2 \geq 0$ and $y^2 \geq 0$, we note that $x^2 = 10 - y^2 \leq 10$, so $x^2 \leq 10$, which means that $-\sqrt{10} \leq x \leq \sqrt{10}$. Similarly $-\sqrt{10} \leq y \leq \sqrt{10}$. Thus

$$\text{dom } R = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -\sqrt{10} \leq x \leq \sqrt{10}\} = [-\sqrt{10}, \sqrt{10}]$$

$$\text{range } R = \{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid -\sqrt{10} \leq y \leq \sqrt{10}\} = [-\sqrt{10}, \sqrt{10}].$$

The graph (omitted) is that of a circle of radius $\sqrt{10}$ centred at the origin.

(b) $S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid x^2 = y^2\}$

We have

$$x^2 = y^2 \leftrightarrow x^2 - y^2 = 0 \leftrightarrow (x - y)(x + y) = 0 \leftrightarrow x = y \text{ or } x = -y,$$

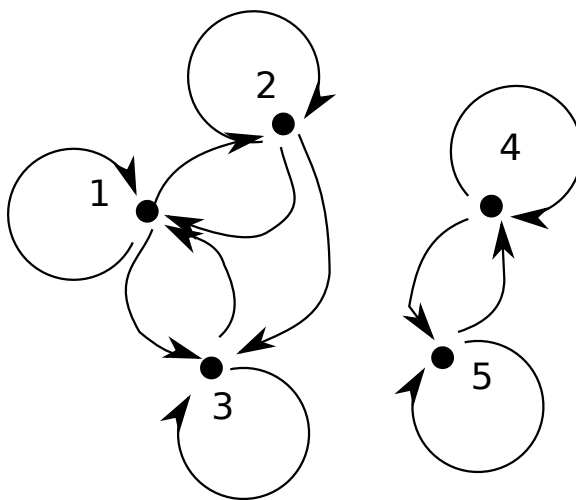
and we see immediately that $\text{dom } S = \text{range } S = \mathbb{R}$, since $(x, x) \in S$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

The graph (omitted) is the pair of lines $y = x$ and $y = -x$. (It should look like a big X.)

2. Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. Draw a directed graph that represents the relation R on A defined by

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

A (somewhat poorly rendered) directed graph of the relation is given as follows:



Bonus: Is R an equivalence relation? Why or why not?

It is not an equivalence relation because it is not symmetric: we have $(2, 3) \in R$ but $(3, 2) \notin R$.