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## Exercise 1.

- (a) Yes, since  $a + 0.5 \ge a \ge a 0.5$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$
- (b) No; see (a)
- (c) Yes, since  $(b + 0.5 \ge a) \land (a \ge b 0.5)$  implies  $(b \ge a 0.5) \land (a + 0.5 \ge b)$ .
- (d) No; e.g.  $(0,0.1) \in \mathcal{R}$  and  $(0.1,0) \in \mathcal{R}$ .
- (e) No; e.g.  $(1.1, 1.5) \in \mathcal{R}$  and  $(1.5, 1.9) \in \mathcal{R}$  but  $(1.1, 1.9) \notin \mathcal{R}$  since 1.9 0.5 > 1.1

## Exercise 2.

- (a) If **A** is of size  $m \times n$  then  $\mathbf{A}^T$  is of size  $n \times m$ , hence  $(\mathbf{A}^T)^T$  is of size  $m \times n$ , the same as **A**. The (i,j)-th entry of  $\mathbf{A}^T$  is  $a_{ji}$ , hence the (i,j)-th entry of  $(\mathbf{A}^T)^T$  is  $a_{ij}$ , the same as **A**.
- (b) The (j, i)-th entry of  $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$  is  $a_{ji} + b_{ji}$ , hence the (i, j)-th entry of  $(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^T$  is  $a_{ji} + b_{ji}$ . The (i, j)-th entry of  $\mathbf{A}^T$  is  $a_{ji}$  and the (i, j)-th entry of  $\mathbf{B}^T$  is  $b_{ji}$ , hence the (i, j)-th entry of  $\mathbf{A}^T + \mathbf{B}^T$  is  $a_{ji} + b_{ji}$ . This proves the claim.
- (c) The (j,k)-th entry of  $\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}$  is  $b_{jk} + c_{jk}$ , hence the (i,k)-th entry of  $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C})$  is

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij} (b_{jk} + c_{jk}) \tag{1}$$

The (i,k)-th entry of  $\mathbf{AB}$  is  $\sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij}b_{jk}$  and the (i,k)-th entry of  $\mathbf{AC}$  is  $\sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij}c_{jk}$ , hence the (i,k)-th entry of  $\mathbf{AB} + \mathbf{AC}$  is

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij}b_{jk} + \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij}c_{jk} \tag{2}$$

This proves the claim since  $(1) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} (a_{ij}b_{jk} + a_{ij}c_{jk}) = (2)$ 

**Exercise 3.** If |U| = 0, there is only one subset (empty) that is not related to itself so there is nothing to violate the transitivity (it holds vacuously). If |U| = 1, there is only one case when  $\mathcal{R}$  holds, which is  $U\mathcal{R}U$  and again nothing violates transitivity. If  $|U| \geq 2$ , choose any two elements in U (say, a and b) and observe that  $\{a\}\mathcal{R}\{a,b\}$  and  $\{a,b\}\mathcal{R}\{b\}$ , but  $\{a\}$  is not in a relation with  $\{b\}$ , so  $\mathcal{R}$  is not transitive.