

Exercise 1b

Question 1.

Define a relation on a set. What do you mean by the domain and range of a relation? Give an example.

Answer:

Relation: Let A and B be two sets. Then a relation R from set A to set B is a subset of $A \times B$. Thus, R is a relation to A to B $\Leftrightarrow R \subseteq A \times B$.

If R is a relation from a non-void set B and if $(a,b) \in R$, then we write $a R b$ which is read as 'a is related to b by the relation R'. if $(a,b) \notin R$, then we write $a \not R b$, and we say that a is not related to b by the relation R.

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

Thus, domain of $R = \{a : (a,b) \in R\}$. The domain of $R \subseteq A$.

Range: let R be a relation from a set A to a set B. then the set of all second component or coordinates of the ordered pairs belonging to R is called the range of R.

Example 1: $R = \{(-1, 1), (1, 1), (-2, 4), (2, 4)\}$.

$\text{dom}(R) = \{-1, 1, -2, 2\}$ and $\text{range}(R) = \{1, 4\}$

Example 2: $R = \{(a, b) : a, b \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } a + 3b = 12\}$

$\text{dom}(R) = \{3, 6, 9\}$ and $\text{range}(R) = \{3, 2, 1\}$

Question 2.

Let A be the set of all triangles in a plane. Show that the relation

$R = \{(\Delta_1, \Delta_2) : \Delta_1 \sim \Delta_2\}$ is an equivalence relation on A.

Answer:

Let $R = \{(\Delta_1, \Delta_2) : \Delta_1 \sim \Delta_2\}$ be a relation defined on A.

Now,

R is Reflexive if $(\Delta, \Delta) \in R \forall \Delta \in A$

We observe that for each $\Delta \in A$ we have,

$\Delta \sim \Delta$ since, every triangle is similar to itself.

$\Rightarrow (\Delta, \Delta) \in R \forall \Delta \in A$

$\Rightarrow R$ is reflexive.

R is Symmetric if $(\Delta_1, \Delta_2) \in R \Rightarrow (\Delta_2, \Delta_1) \in R \forall \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \in A$

Let $(\Delta_1, \Delta_2) \in R \forall \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \in A$

$\Rightarrow \Delta_1 \sim \Delta_2$

$\Rightarrow \Delta_2 \sim \Delta_1$

$\Rightarrow (\Delta_2, \Delta_1) \in R$

$\Rightarrow R$ is symmetric

R is Transitive if $(\Delta_1, \Delta_2) \in R$ and $(\Delta_2, \Delta_3) \in R \Rightarrow (\Delta_1, \Delta_3) \in R \forall \Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta_3 \in A$

Let $(\Delta_1, \Delta_2) \in R$ and $((\Delta_2, \Delta_3) \in R \forall \Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta_3 \in A$

$\Rightarrow \Delta_1 \sim \Delta_2$ and $\Delta_2 \sim \Delta_3$

$\Rightarrow \Delta_1 \sim \Delta_3$

$\Rightarrow (\Delta_1, \Delta_3) \in R$

$\Rightarrow R$ is transitive.

Since R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive, it is an equivalence relation on A .

Question 3.

Let $R = \{(a, b) : a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } (a + b) \text{ is even}\}$.

Show that R is an equivalence relation on \mathbb{Z} .

Answer:

In order to show R is an equivalence relation, we need to show R is Reflexive, Symmetric and Transitive.

Given that, $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, R = \{(a, b) : (a + b) \text{ is even}\}$.

Now,

R is Reflexive if $(a, a) \in R \forall a \in \mathbb{Z}$

For any $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have

$a + a = 2a$, which is even.

$\Rightarrow (a, a) \in R$

Thus, R is reflexive.

R is Symmetric if $(a, b) \in R \Rightarrow (b, a) \in R \forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$

$(a, b) \in R$

$\Rightarrow a + b$ is even.

$\Rightarrow b + a$ is even.

$\Rightarrow (b, a) \in R$

Thus, R is symmetric .

R is Transitive if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R \Rightarrow (a, c) \in R \forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$

Let $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R \forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\Rightarrow a + b = 2P$ and $b + c = 2Q$

Adding both, we get

$$a+c+2b = 2(P+Q)$$

$$\Rightarrow a+c = 2(P+Q)-2b$$

$\Rightarrow a+c$ is an even number

$$\Rightarrow (a, c) \in R$$

Thus, R is transitive on Z.

Since R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive it is an equivalence relation on Z.

Question 4.

Let $R = \{(a, b) : a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } (a - b) \text{ is divisible by } 5\}$.

Show that R is an equivalence relation on Z.

Answer:

In order to show R is an equivalence relation, we need to show R is Reflexive, Symmetric and Transitive.

Given that, $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, aRb if and only if $a - b$ is divisible by 5.

Now,

R is Reflexive if $(a,a) \in R \forall a \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$aRa \Rightarrow (a-a) \text{ is divisible by } 5.$$

$$a-a = 0 = 0 \times 5 \text{ [since } 0 \text{ is multiple of } 5 \text{ it is divisible by } 5]$$

$$\Rightarrow a-a \text{ is divisible by } 5$$

$$\Rightarrow (a,a) \in R$$

Thus, R is reflexive on Z.

R is Symmetric if $(a,b) \in R \Rightarrow (b,a) \in R \forall a,b \in \mathbb{Z}$

$(a,b) \in R \Rightarrow (a-b)$ is divisible by 5

$\Rightarrow (a-b) = 5z$ for some $z \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\Rightarrow -(b-a) = 5z$

$\Rightarrow b-a = 5(-z)$ [$\because z \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow -z \in \mathbb{Z}$]

$\Rightarrow (b-a)$ is divisible by 5

$\Rightarrow (b,a) \in R$

Thus, R is symmetric on \mathbb{Z} .

R is Transitive if $(a,b) \in R$ and $(b,c) \in R \Rightarrow (a,c) \in R \forall a,b,c \in \mathbb{Z}$

$(a,b) \in R \Rightarrow (a-b)$ is divisible by 5

$\Rightarrow a-b = 5z_1$ for some $z_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$

$(b,c) \in R \Rightarrow (b-c)$ is divisible by 5

$\Rightarrow b-c = 5z_2$ for some $z_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$

Now,

$a-b = 5z_1$ and $b-c = 5z_2$

$\Rightarrow (a-b) + (b-c) = 5z_1 + 5z_2$

$\Rightarrow a-c = 5(z_1 + z_2) = 5z_3$ where $z_1 + z_2 = z_3$

$\Rightarrow a-c = 5z_3$ [$\because z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow z_3 \in \mathbb{Z}$]

$\Rightarrow (a-c)$ is divisible by 5.

$$\Rightarrow (a, c) \in R$$

Thus, R is transitive on Z.

Since R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive it is an equivalence relation on Z.

Question 5.

Show that the relation R defined on the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$, given by

$R = \{(a, b) : |a - b| \text{ is even}\}$ is an equivalence relation.

Answer:

In order to show R is an equivalence relation we need to show R is Reflexive, Symmetric and Transitive.

Given that, $\forall a, b \in A, R = \{(a, b) : |a - b| \text{ is even}\}$.

Now,

R is Reflexive if $(a, a) \in R \forall a \in A$

For any $a \in A$, we have

$|a - a| = 0$, which is even.

$$\Rightarrow (a, a) \in R$$

Thus, R is reflexive.

R is Symmetric if $(a, b) \in R \Rightarrow (b, a) \in R \forall a, b \in A$

$$(a, b) \in R$$

$$\Rightarrow |a - b| \text{ is even.}$$

$$\Rightarrow |b - a| \text{ is even.}$$

$$\Rightarrow (b, a) \in R$$

Thus, R is symmetric .

R is Transitive if $(a,b) \in R$ and $(b,c) \in R \Rightarrow (a,c) \in R \forall a,b,c \in A$

Let $(a,b) \in R$ and $(b,c) \in R \forall a, b, c \in A$

$\Rightarrow |a - b|$ is even and $|b - c|$ is even

\Rightarrow (a and b both are even or both odd) and (b and c both are even or both odd)

Now two cases arise:

Case 1 : when b is even

Let $(a,b) \in R$ and $(b,c) \in R$

$\Rightarrow |a - b|$ is even and $|b - c|$ is even

\Rightarrow a is even and c is even [\because b is even]

$\Rightarrow |a - c|$ is even [\because difference of any two even natural numbers is even]

$\Rightarrow (a, c) \in R$

Case 2 : when b is odd

Let $(a,b) \in R$ and $(b,c) \in R$

$\Rightarrow |a - b|$ is even and $|b - c|$ is even

\Rightarrow a is odd and c is odd [\because b is odd]

$\Rightarrow |a - c|$ is even [\because difference of any two odd

natural numbers is even]

$\Rightarrow (a, c) \in R$

Thus, R is transitive on Z .

Since R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive it is an equivalence relation on Z .

Question 6.

Show that the relation R on $N \times N$, defined by

$$(a, b) R (c, d) \Leftrightarrow a + d = b + c$$

is an equivalent relation.

Answer:

In order to show R is an equivalence relation we need to show R is Reflexive, Symmetric and Transitive.

Given that, R be the relation in $N \times N$ defined by $(a, b) R (c, d)$ if $a + d = b + c$ for $(a, b), (c, d)$ in $N \times N$.

R is Reflexive if $(a, b) R (a, b)$ for (a, b) in $N \times N$

Let $(a, b) R (a, b)$

$$\Rightarrow a + b = b + a$$

which is true since addition is commutative on N .

$\Rightarrow R$ is reflexive.

R is Symmetric if $(a, b) R (c, d) \Rightarrow (c, d) R (a, b)$ for $(a, b), (c, d)$ in $N \times N$

Let $(a, b) R (c, d)$

$$\Rightarrow a + d = b + c$$

$$\Rightarrow b + c = a + d$$

$$\Rightarrow c + b = d + a \text{ [since addition is commutative on } N]$$

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

$\Rightarrow R$ is symmetric.

R is Transitive if $(a,b) R (c,d)$ and $(c,d) R (e,f) \Rightarrow (a,b) R (e,f)$ for $(a,b), (c,d), (e,f)$ in $N \times N$

Let $(a,b) R (c,d)$ and $(c,d) R (e,f)$

$\Rightarrow a+d = b+c$ and $c+f = d+e$

$\Rightarrow (a+d) - (d+e) = (b+c) - (c+f)$

$\Rightarrow a-e = b-f$

$\Rightarrow a+f = b+e$

$\Rightarrow (a,b) R (e,f)$

$\Rightarrow R$ is transitive.

Hence, R is an equivalence relation.

Question 7.

Let S be the set of all real numbers and let

$R = \{(a, b) : a, b \in S \text{ and } a = \pm b\}$.

Show that R is an equivalence relation on S .

Answer:

In order to show R is an equivalence relation we need to show R is Reflexive, Symmetric and Transitive.

Given that, $\forall a, b \in S, R = \{(a, b) : a = \pm b\}$

Now,

R is Reflexive if $(a,a) \in R \forall a \in S$

For any $a \in S$, we have

$$a = \pm a$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, a) \in R$$

Thus, R is reflexive.

R is Symmetric if $(a, b) \in R \Rightarrow (b, a) \in R \forall a, b \in S$

$$(a, b) \in R$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \pm b$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \pm a$$

$$\Rightarrow (b, a) \in R$$

Thus, R is symmetric .

R is Transitive if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R \Rightarrow (a, c) \in R \forall a, b, c \in S$

Let $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R \forall a, b, c \in S$

$$\Rightarrow a = \pm b \text{ and } b = \pm c$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \pm c$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, c) \in R$$

Thus, R is transitive.

Hence, R is an equivalence relation.

Question 8.

Let S be the set of all points in a plane and let R be a relation in S defined by $R = \{(A, B) : d(A, B) < 2 \text{ units}\}$, where $d(A, B)$ is the distance between the points A and B.

Show that R is reflexive and symmetric but not transitive.

Answer:

Given that, $\forall A, B \in S, R = \{(A, B) : d(A, B) < 2 \text{ units}\}$.

Now,

R is Reflexive if $(A, A) \in R \forall A \in S$

For any $A \in S$, we have

$d(A, A) = 0$, which is less than 2 units

$\Rightarrow (A, A) \in R$

Thus, R is reflexive.

R is Symmetric if $(A, B) \in R \Rightarrow (B, A) \in R \forall A, B \in S$

$(A, B) \in R$

$\Rightarrow d(A, B) < 2 \text{ units}$

$\Rightarrow d(B, A) < 2 \text{ units}$

$\Rightarrow (B, A) \in R$

Thus, R is symmetric .

R is Transitive if $(A, B) \in R$ and $(B, C) \in R \Rightarrow (A, C) \in R \forall A, B, C \in S$

Consider points $A(0,0), B(1.5,0)$ and $C(3.2,0)$.

$d(A, B) = 1.5 \text{ units} < 2 \text{ units}$ and $d(B, C) = 1.7 \text{ units} < 2 \text{ units}$

$d(A, C) = 3.2 \not< 2$

$\Rightarrow (A, B) \in R$ and $(B, C) \in R \Rightarrow (A, C) \notin R$

Thus, R is not transitive.

Thus, R is reflexive, symmetric but not transitive.

Question 9.

Let S be the set of all real numbers. Show that the relation $R = \{(a, b) : a^2 + b^2 = 1\}$ is symmetric but neither reflexive nor transitive.

Answer:

Given that, $\forall a, b \in S, R = \{(a, b) : a^2 + b^2 = 1\}$

Now,

R is Reflexive if $(a, a) \in R \forall a \in S$

For any $a \in S$, we have

$$a^2 + a^2 = 2a^2 \neq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, a) \notin R$$

Thus, R is not reflexive.

R is Symmetric if $(a, b) \in R \Rightarrow (b, a) \in R \forall a, b \in S$

$$(a, b) \in R$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 + a^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (b, a) \in R$$

Thus, R is symmetric .

R is Transitive if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R \Rightarrow (a, c) \in R \forall a, b, c \in S$

Let $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R \forall a, b, c \in S$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 = 1 \text{ and } b^2 + c^2 = 1$$

Adding both, we get

$$a^2 + c^2 + 2b^2 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + c^2 = 2 - 2b^2 \neq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, c) \notin R$$

Thus, R is not transitive.

Thus, R is symmetric but neither reflexive nor transitive.

Question 10.

Let $R = \{(a, b) : a = b^2\}$ for all $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$.

Show that R satisfies none of reflexivity, symmetry and transitivity.

Answer:

We have, $R = \{(a, b) : a = b^2\}$ relation defined on \mathbb{N} .

Now,

We observe that, any element $a \in \mathbb{N}$ cannot be equal to its square except 1.

$$\Rightarrow (a, a) \notin R \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{For e.g. } (2, 2) \notin R \because 2 \neq 2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow R \text{ is not reflexive.}$$

$$\text{Let } (a, b) \in R \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = b^2$$

But b cannot be equal to square of a if a is equal to square of b.

$$\Rightarrow (b, a) \notin R$$

For e.g., we observe that $(4,2) \in R$ i.e $4 = 2^2$ but $2 \neq 4^2 \Rightarrow (2,4) \notin R$

$\Rightarrow R$ is not symmetric

Let $(a,b) \in R$ and $(b,c) \in R \forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$

$\Rightarrow a = b^2$ and $b = c^2$

$\Rightarrow a \neq c^2$

$\Rightarrow (a,c) \notin R$

For e.g., we observe that

$(16,4) \in R \Rightarrow 16 = 4^2$ and $(4,2) \in R \Rightarrow 4 = 2^2$

But $16 \neq 2^2$

$\Rightarrow (16,2) \notin R$

$\Rightarrow R$ is not transitive.

Thus, R is neither reflexive nor symmetric nor transitive.

Question 11.

Show that the relation $R = \{(a, b) : a > b\}$ on \mathbb{N} is transitive but neither reflexive nor symmetric.

Answer:

We have, $R = \{(a, b) : a > b\}$ relation defined on \mathbb{N} .

Now,

We observe that, any element $a \in \mathbb{N}$ cannot be greater than itself.

$\Rightarrow (a,a) \notin R \forall a \in \mathbb{N}$

$\Rightarrow R$ is not reflexive.

Let $(a,b) \in R \forall a, b \in \mathbb{N}$

$\Rightarrow a$ is greater than b

But b cannot be greater than a if a is greater than b .

$\Rightarrow (b,a) \notin R$

For e.g., we observe that $(5,2) \in R$ i.e $5 > 2$ but $2 \not> 5 \Rightarrow (2,5) \notin R$

$\Rightarrow R$ is not symmetric

Let $(a,b) \in R$ and $(b,c) \in R \forall a, b,c \in \mathbb{N}$

$\Rightarrow a > b$ and $b > c$

$\Rightarrow a > c$

$\Rightarrow (a,c) \in R$

For e.g., we observe that

$(5,4) \in R \Rightarrow 5 > 4$ and $(4,3) \in R \Rightarrow 4 > 3$

And we know that $5 > 3 \therefore (5,3) \in R$

$\Rightarrow R$ is transitive.

Thus, R is transitive but not reflexive not symmetric.

Question 12.

Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 2), (2, 3)\}$.

Show that R is reflexive but neither symmetric nor transitive.

Answer:

Given that, $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 2), (2, 3)\}$.

Now,

R is reflexive $\because (1,1), (2,2), (3,3) \in R$

R is not symmetric $\because (1,2), (2,3) \in R$ but $(2,1), (3,2) \notin R$

R is not transitive $\because (1,2) \in R$ and $(2,3) \in R \Rightarrow (1,3) \notin R$

Thus, R is reflexive but neither symmetric nor transitive.

Question 13.

Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (1, 2), (1, 3), (3, 2)\}$. Show that R is reflexive and transitive but not symmetric.

Answer:

Given that, $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (1, 2), (1, 3), (3, 2)\}$.

Now,

R is reflexive $\because (1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (4,4) \in R$

R is not symmetric $\because (1,2), (1,3), (3,2) \in R$ but $(2,1), (3,1), (2,3) \notin R$

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

Thus, R is reflexive and transitive but not symmetric.