

## Problem

Give a model of the sentence

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{eq} = & \forall x [R_1(x, x)] \\ & \wedge \forall x, y [R_1(x, y) \leftrightarrow R_1(y, x)] \\ & \wedge \forall x, y, z [(R_1(x, y) \wedge R_1(y, z)) \rightarrow R_1(x, z)].\end{aligned}$$

## Step-by-step solution

### Step 1 of 5

Given sentence is

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{eq} = & \forall x [R_1(x, x)] \\ & \wedge \forall x, y [R_1(x, y) \leftrightarrow R_1(y, x)] \\ & \wedge \forall x, y, z [(R_1(x, y) \wedge R_1(y, z)) \rightarrow R_1(x, z)]\end{aligned}$$

$\phi_{eq}$  gives three conditions of equivalence relations i.e., Reflexive relation, Symmetric relation and Transitive relations.

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Let  $R_{11}$  and  $R_{12}$  are two equivalence relations on some set, definition of  $R_1$  by

$$\forall x, y [R_1(x, y) \equiv R_{11}(x, y) \wedge R_{12}(x, y)]$$

Where  $x, y$  are elements from set.

**Reflexive relation:**  $\forall x [R_1(x, x)]$

$\equiv \{\text{definition of } R_1\}$

$$R_{11}(x, x) \wedge R_{12}(x, x)$$

$\equiv \{R_{11}, \text{being an equivalence relation, is reflexive}\}$

similarly  $R_{12}$

$\equiv \{true\} \wedge \{true\}$

$\equiv true$

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**Symmetric relation:**  $\forall x, y [R_1(x, y) \leftrightarrow R_1(y, x)]$

$\equiv \{\text{definition of } R_1\}$

$$R_{11}(x, y) \wedge R_{12}(x, y)$$

$\equiv \{R_{11}, \text{being an equivalence relation, is symmetric}\}$

similarly  $R_{12}$

$\equiv \{\text{definition of } R_i\}$   
 $R_i(y,x)$

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**Transitive relation:**  $\forall x,y,z \left[ \left( R_i(x,y) \wedge R_i(y,z) \rightarrow R_i(x,z) \right) \right]$   
 $\equiv \{\text{definition of } R_i\}$   
 $\left( R_{i1}(x,y) \wedge R_{i2}(x,y) \right) \wedge \left( R_{i1}(y,z) \wedge R_{i2}(y,z) \right)$   
 $\equiv \{\text{rearranging the conjuncts}\}$   
 $\left( R_{i1}(x,y) \wedge R_{i1}(y,z) \right) \wedge \left( R_{i2}(x,y) \wedge R_{i2}(y,z) \right)$   
 $\equiv \{R_{i1}, \text{ being an equivalence relation, is transitive}\}$   
similarly  $R_{i2}$   
 $\equiv \{\text{definition of } R_i\}$   
 $R_i(x,z)$

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A model  $(U,R_i)$ , where  $U$  is universe and  $R_i$  is equivalence relation over  $U$ , is a model of  $\phi_{eq}$ .

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