

# Problem Set 5

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## Problem 1

a)

$$R_1 = \{((x, y), (z, t)) : (|x - z| > 1) \wedge (|y - t| > 1)\}$$

Theorem:  $R_1$  is not transitive.

Hypothesis: The statement "If a, b, and c are points whose values are real numbers  $R_1(a, b)$  and  $R_1(b, c)$ , then  $R_1(a, c)$ " false.

Proof:

Let  $a$  be  $(0, 0)$ ,  $b$  be  $(2, 2)$ , and  $c$  be  $(0, 0)$ . Suppose that  $R_1$  is transitive. That means if  $R_1(a, b)$  and  $R_1(b, c)$ , then  $R_1(a, c)$ .  $R_1(a, b)$  is true because  $(|0 - 2| > 1) \wedge (|0 - 2| > 1)$  is true, and  $R_1(b, c)$  is true because  $(|2 - 0| > 1) \wedge (|2 - 0| > 1)$  is true. However,  $R_1(a, c)$  is false because  $(|0 - 0| > 1) \wedge (|0 - 0| > 1)$  is false. Therefore,  $R_1$  is not transitive.

b)

$$R_2 = \{((x, y), (z, t)) : (x > z) \wedge (y > t)\}$$

Theorem:  $R_2$  is transitive.

Hypothesis: If a, b, and c are points whose values are real numbers,  $R_2(a, b)$ , and  $R_2(b, c)$ , then  $R_2(a, c)$

Proof:

Assume that  $R_2(a, b)$  and  $R_2(b, c)$  are true. This means that the x value of  $a(a_x)$  is greater than the x value of  $b(b_x)$ , and the y value of  $a(a_y)$  is greater than the y value of  $b(b_y)$ . This also means that  $b_x > c_x$  and  $b_y > c_y$ . If the theorem is true, then  $a_x > c_x$  and  $a_y > c_y$ . We know that  $>$  is transitive, because if a number x is greater than another number y, and y is greater than a third number z, x must be greater than z. Because we know this, it must be true that  $a_x > c_x$  and  $a_y > c_y$ , and therefore  $R_2$  is transitive.

c)

$$R_3 = \{((x, y), (z, t)) : (x > z) \vee (y > t)\}$$

Theorem:  $R_3$  is not transitive.

Hypothesis: The statement "If  $a, b$ , and  $c$  are points whose values are real numbers  $R_3(a, b)$  and  $R_3(b, c)$ , then  $R_3(a, c)$ " false.

Proof:

Let  $a$  be  $(1, 2)$ ,  $b$  be  $(4, 1)$ , and  $c$  be  $(3, 3)$ . Suppose that  $R_3$  is transitive. That means if  $R_3(a, b)$  and  $R_3(b, c)$ , then  $R_3(a, c)$ .  $R_3(a, b)$  is true because  $(1 > 4) \vee (2 > 1)$  is true, and  $R_3(b, c)$  is true because  $(4 > 3) \vee (1 > 3)$  is true. However,  $R_3(a, c)$  is false because  $(1 > 3) \vee (2 > 3)$  is false. Therefore,  $R_3$  is not transitive.

## Problem 2

Prove that if  $a$  and  $b$  are integers and  $5|a$ , then  $5|ab$ .

Proof:

Assume  $a$  and  $b$  are integers and  $5|a$ . This means that  $a$  is divisible by 5, meaning there exists an integer  $k$  that when multiplied with 5 results in  $a$ , or  $5k = a$ . If both sides of this equation are multiplied by the integer  $b$ , the resulting equation would be  $5kb = ab$ , which would also be true by the laws of algebra.  $kb$  can be simplified to  $k$ , because the product of two integers is itself an integer, resulting in  $5k = ab$ . This means that there exists an integer  $k$  that when multiplied by 5 results in  $ab$ . Therefore,  $5|ab$ .

## Problem 3

Prove that  $\text{multiples}(69) \subseteq \text{multiples}(23)$ .

Proof:

The formula to describe  $\text{multiples}(x)$ ,  $\{y \in \mathbb{Z} : x|y\}$ , can be described as the set of all integers that can be divided by  $x$ . Because 69 can be divided by 23, 69 is a multiple of 23. This also means  $69a$  is also a multiple of 23, where  $a$  is an integer. This shows that every number that can be divided by 69 can also be divided by 23. Therefore,  $\text{multiples}(69) \subseteq \text{multiples}(23)$ .

## Problem 4

a)

Prove that  $\text{divisors}(b) \cap \text{divisors}(a-b) \subseteq \text{divisors}(a) \cap \text{divisors}(b)$

Proof:

The function  $\text{divisors}(x)$  can be defined as  $S = \{i \in \mathbb{Z} : i|x\}$ . The intersection of  $\text{divisors}(a)$  and  $\text{divisors}(b)$  can be defined as  $S = \{i \in \mathbb{Z} : i|a \wedge i|b\}$ . Suppose that if  $i|a$  and  $i|b$ , then  $i|(a-b)$ . By the definition of divides, that means there exists an integer  $k$  that when multiplied by  $i$  results in  $(a-b)$ . There also exists integers  $j$  and  $l$  that when multiplied by  $i$ , result in  $a$  and  $b$  respectively.  $k$  can be found by subtracting  $l$  from  $j$ , showing that  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $(a-b)$  can all be divided by the same  $i$ . This means that  $\text{divisors}(a-b)$  includes, but is not limited to, the intersection of  $\text{divisors}(a)$  and  $\text{divisors}(b)$ . When intersected with  $\text{divisors}(b)$ , the set becomes equivalent to the intersection of  $\text{divisors}(a)$  and  $\text{divisors}(b)$ . Therefore,  $\text{divisors}(b) \cap \text{divisors}(a-b) \subseteq \text{divisors}(a) \cap \text{divisors}(b)$ .

## Problem 5

Prove that if 131 doesn't divide  $111x$  then 131 doesn't divide  $x$ .

Proof:

If 131 divides  $111x$ , that means there exists an integer  $k$  that when multiplied with 131 results in  $111x$ , or  $131k = 111x$ . By basic algebra, this can be rewritten as  $131k/111 = x$ . As  $k$  can be any integer,  $k/111$  can be rewritten as  $k$ , so long as 111 divides  $k$ . If an integer  $k$  does not exist for  $131k = 111x$ , then it will also not exist for  $131k = x$ , as 131 itself does not divide 111. Therefore, if 131 doesn't divide  $111x$  then 131 doesn't divide  $x$ .

## Problem 6

Prove that if  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $b \notin \mathbb{Z}$  then  $c = a + b \notin \mathbb{Z}$

If  $b$  is not an integer, that means  $b - \lfloor b \rfloor$  is greater than zero and less than one. If  $a$  is an integer, that means  $a - \lfloor a \rfloor$  is zero.  $a + b$  can be written as  $a + \lfloor b \rfloor + (b - \lfloor b \rfloor)$ . Since we know that  $b - \lfloor b \rfloor$  is greater than zero and less than one and  $a - \lfloor a \rfloor$  is zero,  $c - \lfloor c \rfloor$  must equal  $b - \lfloor b \rfloor$ . Because  $c - \lfloor c \rfloor$  is not zero,  $c$  is not an integer, and therefore if  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $b \notin \mathbb{Z}$  then  $c = a + b \notin \mathbb{Z}$ .