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 ${\it Related topic} \qquad {\it Betweenness Relation}$ 

Let B be a betweenness relation on a set A.

## Theorem 1.

If  $(a, b, c) \in B$  and  $(a, c, d) \in B$ , then  $(a, b, d) \in B$ .

**Theorem 2.** For each pair of elements  $p, q \in A$ , we can define five sets:

- 1.  $B_{*pq} := \{ r \in A \mid (r, p, q) \in B \},$
- 2.  $B_{p*q} := \{ r \in A \mid (p, r, q) \in B \},$
- 3.  $B_{pq*} := \{ r \in A \mid (p, q, r) \in B \},$
- 4.  $B_{pq} := B_{p*q} \cup \{q\} \cup B_{pq*}$ , and
- 5.  $B(p,q) := B_{*pq} \cup \{p\} \cup B_{pq}$ .

Then

- (1)  $B_{*pq} = B_{qp*}$ .
- (2)  $B_{p*q} = B_{q*p}$ .
- (3) The intersection of any pair of the first three sets contains at most one element, either p or q.
- (4) Each of the sets can be partially ordered.
- (5) The partial order on  $B_{pq}$  and B(p,q) extends that of the subsets.