

Chapter: Relations

Concepts and Formulae

Key Concepts

1. A relation R between two non empty sets A and B is a subset of their

Cartesian Product $A \times B$. If $A = B$ then relation R on A is a subset of

$A \times A$

2. If (a, b) belongs to R , then a is related to b , and written as $a R b$ If (a,b) does not belongs to R then a $R b$.

3. Let R be a relation from A to B .

Then Domain of $R \subseteq A$ and Range of $R \subseteq B$ co domain is either set B or any of its superset or subset containing range of R

4. A relation R in a set A is called empty relation, if no element of A is related to any element of A ,
i.e., $R = \phi \subset A \times A$.

5. A relation R in a set A is called universal relation, if each element of A is related to every element of A , i.e., $R = A \times A$.

6. A relation R in a set A is called

a. Reflexive, if $(a, a) \in R$, for every $a \in A$,

b. Symmetric, if $(a_1, a_2) \in R$ implies that $(a_2, a_1) \in R$, for all $a_1, a_2 \in A$.

c. Transitive, if $(a_1, a_2) \in R$ and $(a_2, a_3) \in R$ implies that

$(a_1, a_3) \in R$, or all $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A$.

7. A relation R in a set A is said to be an equivalence relation if R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

8. The empty relation R on a non-empty set X (i.e. $a R b$ is never true) is not an equivalence relation, because although it is vacuously symmetric and transitive, it is not reflexive (except when X is also empty)

9. Given an arbitrary equivalence relation R in a set X, R divides X into mutually disjoint subsets S_i called partitions or subdivisions of X satisfying:

- No element of

$$S_j, \text{ if } i \neq j$$

- All elements of S_i are related to each other, for all i

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^n S_i = X \text{ and } S_i \cap S_j = \emptyset, \text{ if } i \neq j$$

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- The subsets S_j are called Equivalence classes.

Go through this following link for the following topic to understand more better.

Link for NPTEL course :- <https://nptel.ac.in/courses/111/106/111106086/>

- 1) Intro of relation:-
<https://youtu.be/gS0dQF3pGqM> <https://youtu.be/mS81mT8Qs9c>
- 2) Type of relation <https://youtu.be/MxT-NpCPqcY> <https://youtu.be/IOD8ZxhqTbw>
<https://youtu.be/L05UUw8Bxc8>
https://youtu.be/U_cmOYldnY0
<https://youtu.be/xW92ngEA-YU>
<https://youtu.be/F31g1VwtvZ4>
- 3) Practise Question
<https://youtu.be/qvsTMxUx-CA>
<https://youtu.be/RE5-IBhwjgw>
- 4) Partial order relation
https://youtu.be/LUjb0tgE_uo
- 5) Closure relation <https://youtu.be/Hu4pEt-TGJo>
<https://youtu.be/qvsTMxUx-CA>