

### § 4.3.

More on  
relation

Notation  $R \subseteq A \times B$  write  $xRy$  to mean  $(x, y) \in R$ .

Def: If  $R \subseteq A \times A$ , then  $R$  is a relation on  $A$ .

Ex 4.3.1:

1.  $A = P(\{1, 2\})$

$$R = \{(B, C) \in A \times A \mid B \subseteq C\}$$

2.  $A$  any set:

$$i_A = \{(x, y) \in A \times A \mid x = y\}$$

$$= \{(x, x) \in A \times A\}$$

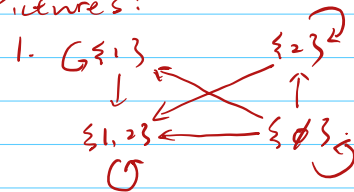
3. Fix  $r = R^+$

$$D_r = \{(x, y) \in R \times R \mid |x - y| < r\}$$

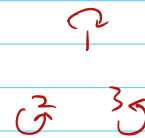
e.g.  $r = 1$ .

$$\text{then } D_r = \{(x, y) \mid |x - y| < 1\}$$

Pictures:



2.  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ .



Def: Let  $R$  be a relation on a set  $A$ .

1.  $R$  is reflexive (on  $A$ ) if  $\forall x \in A (xRx)$

2.  $R$  is symmetric if  $\forall x, y \in A (xRy \rightarrow yRx)$

3.  $R$  is transitive if  $\forall x, y, z \in A (xRy \wedge yRz \rightarrow xRz)$

Ex 1 is reflexive, not symmetric, transitive.

2 is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive

3 is reflexive, symmetric, not transitive

$$(x - x = 0 < 1) \quad |x - y| = |y - x| < 3 \quad \text{e.g. } x = 2 \quad y = 3/2 \quad z = 1$$

$$x - y = 1/2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$y - z = 1/2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$x - z = 1 \quad \times$$

4.  $<$  relation in  $\mathbb{R}$   $\{(x, y) \mid x < y\}$ .

it is not reflexive, not symmetric, but transitive

Theorem 4.3.4

$R \subseteq A \times A$ .

1.  $R$  is reflexive  $\iff \forall x \in A, xRx$ .
2.  $R$  is symmetric  $\iff R = R^{-1}$ .
3.  $R$  is transitive  $\iff R \circ R \subseteq R$ .

Proof of 3:

$\rightarrow$ : Assume  $R$  is transitive. Let  $(x, z) \in R \circ R$ . Then there is  $y \in A$  that  $xRy$  and  $yRz$ . Since  $R$  is transitive,  $xRz$ . That is,  $(x, z) \in R$ . So  $R \circ R \subseteq R$ .

$\leftarrow$ : Assume  $R \circ R \subseteq R$ . Let  $x, y, z \in A$ ,  $xRy$ ,  $yRz$ .  $(x, z) \in R \circ R$ . Since  $R \circ R \subseteq R$ ,  $(x, z) \in R$ , that is  $xRz$ . So  $R$  is transitive.

§ 4.4. Def 4.4.1.  $R \subseteq A \times A$ .

Ordinary  $R$  is antisymmetric if  $\forall x, y \in A (xRy \wedge yRx \rightarrow x = y)$   
Relation. This is NOT not-symmetric.