

## Relations

**1.**

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and  $B = \{5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ . Consider the following binary relation  $R \subseteq A \times B$ :  
 $R = \{(1, 5), (1, 6), (1, 7), (3, 6), (3, 9), (4, 5), (4, 7), (4, 9)\}$ .

- (a) Find the domain and the range of  $R$ .
- (b) Represent  $R$  on an arrow diagram.
- (c) Let  $H_1 = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $H_2 = \{4\}$ . Determine the restrictions  $R|_{H_1}$  and  $R|_{H_2}$  of  $R$  to sets  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , respectively.
- (d) Find the inverse  $R^{-1}$  of  $R$ .

**2.**

Define  $R \subseteq \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  as  $R = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \mid a = 2b\}$ . Determine the domain, range and inverse of  $R$ .

**3.**

Determine the image and the inverse image of the set  $\{0\}$  under the relation  $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid y^2 = 2 - x - x^2\}$ . Describe those subsets  $A$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  for which  $R(A)$  contains only one element. Describe those subsets  $A$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  for which  $R^{-1}(A)$  contains only one element.

**4.**

Let  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$ . In each of the following examples below decide if the relation  $R$  on  $X$  is reflexive, symmetric, anti-symmetric and/or transitive.

- (a)  $R = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3)\}$
- (b)  $R = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 1), (3, 3)\}$
- (c)  $R = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 1), (3, 1)\}$
- (d)  $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 1)\}$
- (e)  $R = \{(1, 2)\}$
- (f)  $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 3), (3, 2)\}$
- (g)  $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 3)\}$
- (h)  $R = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 1), (2, 3), (3, 1), (3, 2)\}$

**5.**

- (a) Can a relation be both symmetric and anti-symmetric at the same time? Can a relation be both reflexive and irreflexive? Justify your answers.
- (b) Prove that if a relation is both symmetric and anti-symmetric then it is also transitive.
- (c) Prove that if a relation that is not the empty set is both irreflexive and symmetric, then it is not transitive.

**6.**

In each of the following examples, decide if the given relation is reflexive, irreflexive, symmetric, anti-symmetric and/or transitive, and find the domain and the range of the relation.

- (a)  $R = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \mid a \cdot b \text{ is odd}\}$
- (b)  $S = \{(a, b) \in B \times B \mid \text{the surname of } a \text{ is shorter than the surname of } b\}$  where  $B$  is the set of all Dimat 1. students at ELTE.

- (c)  $T_X = \{(A, B) \in P(X) \times P(X) \mid A \cap B \neq \emptyset\}$  where  $X$  is a given set.  
 (d)  $U = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+ \mid \gcd(a, b) > 1\}$   
 (e)  $V = \{(x, y) \in K \times K \mid x \text{ touches } y \text{ from inside}\}$ , where  $K$  is the set of all circles in a given plane.

**7.**

Consider the following  $R \subseteq X \times X$  relation.

- (a)  $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ ,  $R = \{(1, 1), (1, 5), (2, 2), (3, 3), (3, 4), (4, 3), (4, 4), (5, 1), (5, 5)\}$   
 (b)  $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$ ,  $R = \{(1, 1), (1, 5), (1, 6), (1, 8), (2, 2), (2, 4), (3, 3), (3, 7), (4, 2), (4, 4), (5, 1), (5, 5), (5, 6), (5, 8), (6, 1), (6, 5), (6, 6), (6, 8), (7, 3), (7, 7), (8, 1), (8, 5), (8, 6), (8, 8)\}$

- (1) Prove that  $R$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$ .  
 (2) Write down the partition of  $A$  induced by the equivalence relation  $R$  (in other words: find the quotient set  $A/R$ ).

**8.**

In each example below find the equivalence relation on  $\{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$  which corresponds to the given partition:

- (a)  $\{\{a, b, f\}, \{c\}, \{d, e\}\}$   
 (b)  $\{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{e, f\}\}$

**9.**

In each of the following examples prove that  $R$  is an equivalence relation (on the set which  $R$  is defined on in the example), and find the equivalence classes of  $R$ .

- (a)  $R = \{(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \mid m + n \text{ is even}\}$   
 (b)  $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \mid x^2 + y^2 \text{ is even}\}$   
 (c)  $R = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid a - b \text{ is rational}\}$   
 (d)  $R = \{(m, n) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \mid m^2 - n^2 \text{ is divisible by } 3\}$   
 (e)  $R = \{((x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_1 + y_1 = x_2 + y_2\}$   
 (f)  $R = \{((x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_1 \cdot y_1 = x_2 \cdot y_2\}$

**10.**

Let  $f \subseteq A \times A$  be a binary relation. Prove that  $f = f^{-1}$  is true if and only if  $f \subseteq f^{-1}$  holds.

**11.**

In each question below give an example for a relation on the set  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  satisfying the properties:

- (a) reflexive and not irreflexive;  
 (b) anti-symmetric and not symmetric;  
 (c) symmetric and not anti-symmetric;  
 (d) both symmetric and anti-symmetric;  
 (e) neither symmetric nor anti-symmetric;  
 (f) both reflexive and trichotomous;  
 (g) not reflexive, not transitive, not symmetric, not anti-symmetric, and not trichotomous

**12.**

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $B = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$ ,  $C = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$  and define  $R \subseteq A \times B$  and  $S \subseteq B \times C$  as follows:  $R = \{(1, a), (1, b), (2, c), (2, f), (3, d), (3, e), (3, f)\}$  and  $S = \{(a, 2), (a, 4), (c, 6), (c, 8),$

$(d, 2), (d, 4), (d, 6), (f, 8)\}$ . Find the composition  $S \circ R$ .

**13.**

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$  and  $S, R \subseteq A \times A$ . In each of the following cases determine the composition  $S \circ R$ .

- (a)  $R = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 2), (3, 3), (3, 4), (4, 1)\}$  and  $S = \{(1, 6), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 1)\}$
- (b)  $R = \{(1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 2), (2, 4), (3, 5), (5, 6), (6, 7)\}$  and  $S = \{(1, 2), (1, 4), (2, 3), (3, 1), (3, 2), (4, 2), (4, 6), (5, 6), (7, 2)\}$
- (c)  $R = \{(2, 2), (2, 4), (3, 1), (3, 4), (4, 4), (5, 3)\}$  and  $S = \{(2, 6), (3, 7), (5, 1), (5, 6), (5, 8), (6, 2), (7, 7)\}$
- (d)  $R = \{(6, 1), (6, 2), (7, 3), (8, 7)\}$  and  $S = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (1, 5), (1, 6), (2, 2), (2, 3), (2, 4), (2, 5), (2, 6), (2, 7), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3), (3, 4), (4, 1), (4, 2), (4, 3), (4, 4), (5, 1), (5, 3), (5, 5), (7, 1), (7, 2)\}$

Is the composition of relations a commutative operation? Hint: determine for example the composition  $R \circ S$  in case (a).

**14.**

Let  $R, S \subseteq A \times A$  be symmetric relations. Prove that  $R \circ S$  is symmetric if and only if  $R \circ S = S \circ R$ .

**15.**

Let  $R, S \subseteq \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ . In each of the following cases determine the compositions  $S \circ R$  and  $R \circ S$ .

- (a)  $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid 4x = y^2 + 6\}$  and  $S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid x - 1 = y\}$
- (b)  $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid x = 2y\}$  and  $S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid y = x^3\}$
- (c)  $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid \frac{1}{x} = y^2\}$  and  $S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid \sqrt{x - 2} = 3y\}$
- (d)  $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid x^2 - 6x + 5 = y\}$  and  $S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid x^2 = y \wedge 2y = x\}$

**16.**

Consider the following relations:

$$R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \mid |x - y| \leq 3\}, \varphi = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \mid 6x - 1 = 4y + 5\},$$

$$\lambda = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \mid 4 \mid 2x + 3y\}, \alpha = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \mid 1.5x - 1.5 \leq y\}$$

Determine the compositions below.

$$R \circ \varphi \qquad \varphi \circ \lambda \qquad \varphi^3 \qquad \alpha \circ R \qquad R \circ \alpha$$

**17.**

Let  $A = \{2, 3, 6, 8, 9, 12, 18\}$ ,  $R \subseteq A \times A$  and  $aRb \iff a \mid b$ .

- (a) Prove that relation  $R$  is a partial order on set  $A$ .
- (b) Draw the Hasse-diagram of  $R$ .

**18.**

(a) Prove that  $\leq$  is a partial order on  $\mathbb{N}$ , where the definition of  $\leq$  is:

$$n, m \in \mathbb{N}, n \leq m \iff \exists k \in \mathbb{N} : n + k = m$$

(b) Prove that on  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ , the following relation is a partial order:

$$(m_1, n_1)R(m_2, n_2) \iff m_1 \leq m_2 \wedge n_1 \leq n_2.$$

**19.**

Decide which of the following relations are partial order on the given set.

- (a)  $P$  is the set of polynomials with real coefficients,  $R \subseteq P \times P, fRg \iff \deg f \leq \deg g$
- (b)  $R \subseteq \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}, aRb \iff |a| \leq |b|$
- (c)  $V$  is the set of 10-unit-long vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $R \subseteq V \times V, xRy \iff$  the polar angle of  $x$  is less than or equal to the polar angle of  $y$  (the polar angle is between  $[0; 2\pi[$ )
- (d)  $R \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2, xRy \iff$  the length of  $x$  is less than or equal to the length of  $y$

**20.**

Decide which of the following relations are total orders on set  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

- (a)  $R = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 2), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 3), (3, 4), (4, 4)\}$
- (b)  $R = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 2), (2, 4), (3, 3), (4, 4)\}$
- (c)  $R = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 2), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 4)\}$