

Announcements

Midterm 2: Friday in class

Covers through Chapter 8

Reference sheet allowed (one A₄ sheet w/ writing on both sides)

See policy email (practice problems, etc.)

Thurs. problem/review session (probably) moving online (thoughts?)

§ 9.1: Relations

Def: Let A and B be sets. A relation from A to B is a subset R of A × B.

Write aRb to mean $(a, b) \in R$

Ex: $A = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ students

$B = \{C_1, C_2, DM\}$ math classes

$R = \{(a, C_1), (a, DM), (b, DM), (c, C_2), (c, DM),$
 $(e, C_1), (e, C_2), (e, DM)\}$

a is taking C₁ & DM

d is taking nothing

b is taking DM

e is taking C₁, C₂, & DM

c is taking C₂ & DM

aRC_1, aRC_2 , etc.

R is a function if every elt. of A appears exactly once in R .

Often, we care about relations from A to A ("on A ")

Class activity: Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$

Match the symbols w/ the relations

i) \leq ii) $>$ iii) $=$ iv) $|$ ("divides")

a) $\{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (2,2), (3,3)\}$

b) $\{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3)\}$

c) $\{(2,1), (3,1), (3,2)\}$

d) $\{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (2,2), (2,3), (3,3)\}$

Ex 6: If $|A| = n$, there are 2^{n^2} relations on A , n^n of which are functions.

e.g. $n=3$: 512 relations, 27 functions

$n=4$: 65536 relations, 256 functions

Properties:

- R is reflexive if aRa for all $a \in A$
- R is symmetric if whenever aRb , then bRa
- R is antisymmetric if whenever aRb and $a \neq b$, then $b \not Ra$
- R is transitive if whenever aRb and bRc , then aRc

Class activity: For each of these relations on \mathbb{Z} , determine whether it has each of the above properties:

$$R_1: \leq$$

$$R_2: >$$

$$R_3: =$$

$$R_4: |$$

$$R_5: \{(a,b) \mid a=b \text{ or } a=-b\}$$

$$R_6: \{(a,b) \mid a=b+1\}$$

$$R_7: \{(a,b) \mid a+b \leq 3\}$$

$$R_8: \{(1,2), (2,3), (3,1)\}$$

$$R_9: \{(1,2), (2,3), (1,3)\}$$

$$R_{10}: \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3)\}$$

$$R_{11}: \{(1,5), (5,1), (2,2), (2,3), (3,2)\}$$

$$R_{12} = R_3 \cup R_8$$

$$R_{13} = R_3 \cap R_8$$

union/intersection

as sets

Operations:

- Complement: $\bar{R} = \{(a, b) \in A \times B \mid (a, b) \notin R\}$
- Inverse: $R^{-1} = \{(b, a) \mid (a, b) \in R\}$ relation from B to A
- Composition: If $R \subseteq A \times B$, $S \subseteq B \times C$, then
 $S \circ R = \{(a, c) \in A \times C \mid \text{there exists } b \in B \text{ s.t. } (a, b) \in R, (b, c) \in S\}$
relation from A to C

Ex: $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

$$R = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (3, 4)\}$$

Class activity: find

$$\bar{R}, R^{-1}, R \circ R^{-1}, \text{ and } R^{-1} \circ R$$