

DISCRETE MATHEMATICS PROBLEMS

Lesson 2.2 Relations

1. Let $A = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$, and let us consider the following binary relation R between A and B :

$$R = \{(a, 1), (a, 3), (b, 2), (b, 5), (d, 1), (d, 4), (d, 5)\}$$

- Find the matrix of R .
 - Find the domain and the image of R .
 - Find the inverse relation of R , that is R^{-1} .
 - Find $R \circ R^{-1}$ and $R^{-1} \circ R$.
2. Let A and B be the sets of problem 1. Let S be the binary relation from B to A whose matrix is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Give an extensional or an intensional definition of the relation S . Give also its domain and its range.
 - Find the relation $R \circ S$ and $S \circ R$, being R the binary relation of problem 1.
3. Let $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9\}$. Let R be the binary relation on X given by

$$xRy \leftrightarrow y = x^2.$$

- Give the extensional definition of the relation R .
 - Obtain the relations $R \circ R$ and $R^{-1} \circ R^{-1}$.
4. In the set $A = \{a, b, c, d\}$ let us consider the following relations:

$$R_1 = \{(a, b), (b, c), (a, c), (b, a)\}$$

$$R_2 = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (d, d), (a, c), (c, a)\}$$

$$R_3 = \{(a, a), (c, c), (a, c), (c, b), (a, b)\}$$

$$R_4 = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (d, d)\}.$$

Represent them with a graph and with a matrix. Say also which properties do they verify.

5. Let $A = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$. Give the extensional definition of each one of the following binary relations defined on A , and say which properties do they verify.
- $aRb \Leftrightarrow b$ is a multiple of a
 - $aRb \Leftrightarrow a + b \leq 7$

c) $aRb \Leftrightarrow |a - b| = 2$

6. Let $A = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ and let R be the binary relation defined on A whose matrix is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

a) Prove that R is an ordered binary relation. Is it a total order?

b) Represent R with a Hasse diagram.

7. Let us consider the divisibility relation on $A = \{2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 12, 18, 36, 72\}$.

a) Represent the ordered set A with a Hasse diagram.

b) Find (if there are some) the minimal and maximal elements, and the maximum and minimum of A .

c) Find (if there are some) the minimal and maximal elements, and the maximum and minimum of the subsets $B = \{2, 3, 6, 12, 18\}$, $C = \{4, 9, 12, 36\}$, $D = \{3, 12, 18\}$, $E = \{4, 6\}$ and its bounds respect to A

8. Let $A = \{a, b, c\}$ and let us consider the set $(\mathcal{P}(A), \subseteq)$, being $\mathcal{P}(A)$ the power set of A . Draw the Hasse diagram of this relation and find the minimal and maximal elements, and the maximum and minimum of the set $\{\{b\}, \{c\}, \{b, c\}\}$ as a subset of $\mathcal{P}(A)$.

9. Give an example of an ordered set with a subset of two elements that was upper bounded but without supremum.

10. The quotient set of a binary relation R on the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ is $A/R = \{\{2\}, \{1, 3, 6\}, \{4, 5\}\}$. Find the matrix associated to the binary relation R .

11. On the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ the following relation is given:

$$xRy \text{ if and only if } x \text{ and } y \text{ has the same number of divisors.}$$

Show that R is an equivalence binary relation and compute its quotient set.

12. On the set \mathbb{Z} of integer numbers the following relation is defined:

$$xRy \Leftrightarrow x^2 - y^2 = x - y.$$

Prove that R is an equivalence binary relation and compute the equivalence classes of 0 and 3. Say which is the equivalence class of an arbitrary integer number a .

13. On the set \mathbb{R} of real numbers the following binary relation is defined:

$$xRy \Leftrightarrow x - y \in \mathbb{R}$$

Prove that R is an equivalence binary relation and give the equivalence classes of 0 and $1/2$.

14. On the set \mathbb{Z}_6 the following relations are defined:

$$xR_1y \leftrightarrow x = y \vee 5x = y$$

$$xR_2y \leftrightarrow x = y \vee 3x = y$$

Prove that R_1 is an equivalence binary relation and find its quotient set. Prove that R_2 is an order and give its Hasse diagram.