

Chapter 2-Part II (Sec 2.3, 9.1, 9.5)

Basic Structures:

- Sets
- Relations & Functions
- Sequences and Sums
- Cardinality of Sets

Relations and Their Properties

Section 9.1

Section Summary

- Relations and Functions
- Properties of Relations
 - Reflexive Relations
 - Symmetric and Antisymmetric Relations
 - Transitive Relations
- Combining Relations

Binary Relations

A *binary relation R* from a set *A* to a set *B* is a subset $R \subseteq A \times B$.

Example:

- Let $A = \{0, 1, 2\}$ and $B = \{a, b\}$
- {(0, *a*), (0, *b*), (1,*a*), (2, *b*)} is a relation from *A* to *B*.
- We can represent relations from a set *A* to a set *B* graphically or using a table:



Binary Relation on a Set

A binary relation *R* on a set *A* is a subset of $A \times A$ or a relation from *A* to *A*.

Example:

- Suppose that $A = \{a, b, c\}$.
- Then $R = \{(a,a), (a,b), (a,c)\}$ is a relation on A.
- Let B = {1, 2, 3, 4}. The ordered pairs in the relation
 R = {(x,y) | x divides y} are

(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (2,2), (2,4), (3,3), and (4,4).

Binary Relation on a Set (cont.)

Question: How many relations are there on a set *A*?

Solution: Because a relation on *A* is the same thing as a subset of $A \times A$, we count the subsets of $A \times A$. Since $A \times A$ has $|A|^2$ elements; there are $2^{|A|^2}$ subsets of $A \times A$.

Therefore, there are $2^{|A|^2}$ relations on a set *A*.

Binary Relations on a Set (cont.)

Example: Consider these relations on the set of integers: $R_1 = \{(a,b) \mid a \le b\},$ $R_4 = \{(a,b) \mid a = b\},$ $R_2 = \{(a,b) \mid a > b\},$ $R_5 = \{(a,b) \mid a = b + 1\},$ $R_3 = \{(a,b) \mid a = b \text{ or } a = -b\},$ $R_6 = \{(a,b) \mid a + b \le 3\}.$

Note that these relations are on an infinite set and each of these relations is an infinite set.

Which of these relations contain each of the pairs (1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (1,-1), and (2,2)?

Solution:

(1,1) is in R_1 , R_3 , R_4 , and R_6 (1,2) is in R_1 and R_6 (2,1) is in R_2 , R_5 , and R_6 (1,-1) is in R_2 , R_3 , and R_6 (2,2) is in R_1 , R_3 , and R_4 .

Reflexive Relations

R is *reflexive* iff $(a,a) \in R$ for every element $a \in A$. R is reflexive iff $\forall x [x \in U \longrightarrow (x,x) \in R]$

Example: The following relations on the integers are reflexive:

$$R_1 = \{(a,b) \mid a \le b\},\$$

$$R_3 = \{(a,b) \mid a = b \text{ or } a = -b\},\$$

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

The following relations are not reflexive:

$$R_{2} = \{(a,b) \mid a > b\} \text{ (note that } 3 \neq 3),$$

$$R_{5} = \{(a,b) \mid a = b + 1\} \text{ (note that } 3 \neq 3 + 1),$$

$$R_{6} = \{(a,b) \mid a + b \leq 3\} \text{ (note that } 4 + 4 \leq 3)$$

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Symmetric Relations

R is *symmetric* iff $(b,a) \in R$ whenever $(a,b) \in R$ for all $a,b \in A$. *R* is symmetric iff $\forall x \forall y [(x,y) \in R \longrightarrow (y,x) \in R]$

Example: The following relations on the integers are symmetric: $R_3 = \{(a,b) \mid a = b \text{ or } a = -b\},$ $R_4 = \{(a,b) \mid a = b\},$ $R_6 = \{(a,b) \mid a + b \le 3\}.$ The following are not symmetric: $R_1 = \{(a,b) \mid a \le b\}$ (note that $3 \le 4$, but $4 \le 3$), $R_2 = \{(a,b) \mid a > b\}$ (note that 4 > 3, but $3 \ne 4$), $R_5 = \{(a,b) \mid a = b + 1\}$ (note that 4 = 3 + 1, but $3 \ne 4 + 1$).

Antisymmetric Relations

For all $a, b \in A$ if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$, then a = b is called *antisymmetric*. *R* is antisymmetric iff $\forall x \forall y [(x, y) \in R \land (y, x) \in R \longrightarrow x = y]$

Example: The following relations on the integers are antisymmetric:

$$\begin{split} R_1 &= \{(a,b) \mid a \leq b\}, & \longleftarrow & \text{For any integer, if } a a \leq b \text{ and } \\ R_2 &= \{(a,b) \mid a > b\}, & b \leq a, \text{ then } a = b. \end{split}$$
 $R_4 &= \{(a,b) \mid a = b\}, & R_5 &= \{(a,b) \mid a = b + 1\}. \\ \text{The following relations are not antisymmetric:} \\ R_3 &= \{(a,b) \mid a = b \text{ or } a = -b\} & \text{(note that both } (1,-1) \text{ and } (-1,1) \text{ belong to } R_3), \\ R_6 &= \{(a,b) \mid a + b \leq 3\} \text{ (note that both } (1,2) \text{ and } (2,1) \text{ belong to } R_6). \end{split}$

Transitive Relations

A relation *R* on a set *A* is called *transitive* if whenever $(a,b) \in R$ and $(b,c) \in R$, then $(a,c) \in R$, for all $a,b,c \in A$.

R is transitive iff $\forall x \forall y \forall z[(x,y) \in R \land (y,z) \in R \longrightarrow (x,z) \in R$]

Example: The following relations on the integers are transitive:

 $R_{1} = \{(a,b) \mid a \le b\},$ $R_{2} = \{(a,b) \mid a > b\},$ $R_{3} = \{(a,b) \mid a = b \text{ or } a = -b\},$ $R_{4} = \{(a,b) \mid a = b\}.$

For every integer, $a \le b$ and $b \le c$, then $a \le c$.

The following are not transitive:

 $R_5 = \{(a,b) \mid a = b + 1\}$ (note that both (3,2) and (4,3) belong to R_5 , but not (3,3)), $R_6 = \{(a,b) \mid a + b \le 3\}$ (note that both (2,1) and (1,2) belong to R_6 , but not (2,2)).

Combining Relations

- Given two relations R_1 and R_2 , we can combine them using basic set operations to form new relations such as $R_1 \cup R_2$, $R_1 \cap R_2$, $R_1 R_2$, and $R_2 R_1$.
- **Example**: Let $A = \{1,2,3\}$ and $B = \{1,2,3,4\}$. The relations $R_1 = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3)\}$ and $R_2 = \{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4)\}$ can be combined using basic set operations to form new relations:

$$R_1 \cup R_2 = \{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (2,2), (3,3)\}$$

 $R_{1} \cap R_{2} = \{(1,1)\}$ $R_{1} - R_{2} = \{(2,2), (3,3)\}$ $R_{2} - R_{1} = \{(1,2), (1,3), (1,4)\}$

Suppose

- R_1 is a relation from a set A to a set B.
- *R*₂ is a relation from *B* to a set *C*.

Then the *composition* (or *composite*) of R_2 with R_1 , is a relation from A to C where

if (*x*,*y*) is a member of *R*₁ and (*y*,*z*) is a member of *R*₂, then (*x*,*z*) is a member of *R*_{2°} *R*₁.

Equivalence Relations Section 9.5

Equivalence Relations

Definition 1:

A relation on a set *A* is called an *equivalence relation* if it is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

Equivalence Relations

Definition 2:

Two elements *a* and *b* that are related by an equivalence relation are called *equivalent*.

The notation $a \sim b$ is often used to denote that a and b are equivalent elements with respect to a particular equivalence relation.

Strings

Example: Suppose that *R* is the relation on the set of strings of English letters such that *aRb* if and only if l(a) = l(b), where l(x) is the length of the string *x*. Is *R* an equivalence relation?

Solution: We show that all of the properties of an equivalence relation hold.

- *Reflexivity*: Because l(a) = l(a), it follows that *aRa* for all strings *a*.
- *Symmetry*: Suppose that *aRb*. Since l(a) = l(b), l(b) = l(a) also holds and *bRa*.
- *Transitivity*: Suppose that aRb and bRc. Since l(a) = l(b), and l(b) = l(c), l(a) = l(a) also holds and aRc.

Congruence Modulo *m*

Example: Let *m* be an integer with m > 1. Show that the relation $R = \{(a,b) \mid a \equiv b \pmod{m}\}$ is *an equivalence relation* on the set of integers.

Solution: Recall that $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ if and only if *m* divides a - b.

- *Reflexivity:* $a \equiv a \pmod{m}$ since a a = 0 is divisible by *m* since $0 = 0 \cdot m$.
- Symmetry: Suppose that a = b (mod m).
 Then a b is divisible by m, and so a b = km, where k is an integer.
 It follows that b a = (-k) m, so b = a (mod m).
- *Transitivity*: Suppose that a = b (mod m) and b = c (mod m). Then m divides both a - b and b - c. Hence, there are integers k and l with a - b = km and b - c = lm. We obtain by adding the equations:

a - c = (a - b) + (b - c) = km + lm = (k + l) m.Therefore, $a = c \pmod{m}$.

Divides

Example: Show that the "divides" relation on the set of positive integers is *not an equivalence relation*.

Solution:

- *Reflexivity*: $a \mid a$ for all a.
- *Not Symmetric*: For example, 2 | 4, but 4 + 2. Hence, the relation is not symmetric.
- *Transitivity*: Suppose that *a* divides *b* and *b* divides *c*. Then there are positive integers *k* and *l* such that *b* = *ak* and *c* = *bl*. Hence, *c* = *a*(*kl*), so *a* divides *c*. Therefore, the relation is transitive.

The properties of reflexivity, and transitivity do hold, but the relation is *not symmetric*. Hence, "divides" is not an equivalence relation.

Section 2.3

- Let *A* and *B* be nonempty sets.
- A *function* f from A to B, denoted f: $A \rightarrow B$ is an assignment of each element of A to exactly one element of B.
- We write f(a) = b if b is the *unique element of B* assigned by the function f to the element *a* of *A*.



• A function *f*: $A \rightarrow B$ is a subset of $A \times B$ (a relation).

- <u>Restriction</u>: a relation where no two elements of the relation have the same first element.
- Specifically, *f*: $A \rightarrow B$ contains one, and only one ordered pair (*a*, *b*) for every element $a \in A$.

$$\forall x [x \in A \to \exists y [y \in B \land (x, y) \in f]]$$

and

$$\forall x, y_1, y_2[[(x, y_1) \in f \land (x, y_2) \in f] \to y_1 = y_2]$$

Given a function $f: A \rightarrow B$:

• We say *f maps A* to *B or f* is a *mapping* from *A* to *B*.



- The *range* of *f* is the set of all images of points in **A** under *f*. We denote it by *f*(*A*).
- Two functions are *equal* when;
 - they have the same domain,
 - same codomain
 - map each element of the domain to the same element of the codomain.

Representing Functions

- Functions may be specified in different ways:
 - An explicit statement of the assignment. Students and grades example.
 - A formula.

f(x) = x + 1

- A computer program.
 - A Java program that when given an integer *n*, produces the *n*th Fibonacci Number.

f(a) = ?

- The image of d is ?
- The domain of f is ?
- The codomain of f is ?
- The preimage of y is ?

f(A) = ?

The preimage(s) of z is (are)?



- $f(\mathbf{a}) = ?$ Z
- The image of d is ? Z
- The domain of f is ? A
- The codomain of f is ? B
- The preimage of y is ? b
- $f(A) = ? \qquad \{\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}\}$

The preimage(s) of z is (are)? {a,c,d}



• If $f : A \to B$ and S is a subset of A, then

$$f(S) = \{f(s) | s \in S\}$$

- *f* {a,b,c} is ?
- f{c,d} is ?



Question on Functions and Sets

• If $f : A \rightarrow B$ and S is a subset of A, then

$$f(S) = \{f(s) | s \in S\}$$

- $f \{a,b,c,\}$ is ? $\{y,z\}$
- $f\{c,d\}$ is ? $\{z\}$



Injections

Definition: A function f is said to be *one-to-one*, or *injective*, *if and only if* f(a) = f(b) *implies that* a = b *for all* a *and* b in the domain of f.

• A function is said to be an *injection* if it is one-to-

one.



Surjections

Definition: A function *f* from *A* to *B* is called *onto* or *surjective*, if and only if for every element $b \in B$ there is an element $a \in A$ with f(a) = b.

• A function *f* is called a *surjection* if it is *onto*.





Definition: A function f is a *one-to-one correspondence*, or a *bijection*, if it is both one-to-one and onto (surjective and injective).



Showing that *f* is one-to-one or onto

Example 1: Let *f* be the function from $\{a,b,c,d\}$ to $\{1,2,3\}$ defined by f(a) = 3, f(b) = 2, f(c) = 1, and f(d) = 3. Is *f* an onto function?

Solution: Yes, *f* is onto since all three elements of the codomain are images of elements in the domain.

• If the codomain were changed to {1,2,3,4}, *f* would not be onto.

Showing that *f* is one-to-one or onto

Example 2: Is the function $f(x) = x^2$ from the set of integers to the set of integers onto?

Solution: No, *f* is not onto because there is no integer *x* with $x^2 = -1$, for example.

Inverse Functions

- **Definition**: Let *f* be a bijection from *A* to *B*. Then the *inverse* of *f*, denoted f^{-1} , is the function from *B* to *A* defined as $f^{-1}(y) = x$ iff f(x) = y
 - No inverse exists unless *f* is a bijection. Why?





f^{-1} B V a Ŵ X d Y

Inverse Functions

Example 1: Let *f* be the function from $\{a,b,c\}$ to $\{1,2,3\}$ such that f(a) = 2, f(b) = 3, and f(c) = 1. Is *f* invertible and if so what is its inverse?

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Solution: The function f is invertible because it is a bijection (one-to-one and onto). The inverse function f^1 reverses the correspondence given by f, so;

 $f^{1}(1) = c$, $f^{1}(2) = a$, and $f^{1}(3) = b$.

Example 2: Let $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ be such that f(x) = x + 1. Is f invertible, and if so, what is its inverse?

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Solution: The function *f* is invertible because it is a one-to-one correspondence. The inverse function f^1 reverses the correspondence so $f^1(y) = y - 1$.

Example 3: Let $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be such that $f(x) = x^2$. Is f invertible, and if so, what is its inverse?

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Solution: The function *f* is not invertible because it is not one-to-one . f(-1) = f(1) = 1

• **Definition**: Let $f: B \rightarrow C, g: A \rightarrow B$. The *composition of f with g*, denoted $f \circ g$ is the function from A to C defined by

$$f \circ g(x) = f(g(x))$$





Example 1: If $f(x) = x^2$ and g(x) = 2x + 1 ,

then

$$f(g(x)) = (2x+1)^2$$

and

$$g(f(x)) = 2x^2 + 1$$

Composition Questions

Example 2: Let *g* be the function from the set $\{a,b,c\}$ to itself such that g(a) = b, g(b) = c, and g(c) = a. Let *f* be the function from the set $\{a,b,c\}$ to the set $\{1,2,3\}$ such that f(a) = 3, f(b) = 2, and f(c) = 1.

What is the composition of *f* and *g*, and what is the composition of *g* and *f*.

Solution: The composition $f \cdot g$ is defined by

$$f \circ g$$
 (a)= f(g(a)) = f(b) = 2.
 $f \circ g$ (b)= f(g(b)) = f(c) = 1.
 $f \circ g$ (c)= f(g(c)) = f(a) = 3.

• Note that $g \circ f$ is not defined, because the range of f is not a subset of the domain of g.

Composition Questions

Example 2: Let f and g be functions from the set of integers to the set of integers defined by f(x) = 2x + 3 and g(x) = 3x + 2.

What is the composition of *f* and *g*, and also the composition of *g* and *f*?

Solution:

$$f \circ g (x) = f(g(x)) = f(3x + 2) = 2(3x + 2) + 3 = 6x + 7$$
$$g \circ f (x) = g(f(x)) = g(2x + 3) = 3(2x + 3) + 2 = 6x + 11$$

Graphs of Functions



Some Important Functions

- The *floor* function, denoted $f(x) = \lfloor x \rfloor$ is the largest integer less than or equal to x.
- The *ceiling* function, denoted $f(x) = \lceil x \rceil$ is the smallest integer greater than or equal to x

Example:

$$[3.5] = 4$$
 $[3.5] = 3$
 $[-1.5] = -1$ $|-1.5| = -2$

Floor and Ceiling Functions



Graph of (a) Floor and (b) Ceiling Functions

Floor and Ceiling Functions

(*n* is an integer, *x* is a real number)

(1a)
$$\lfloor x \rfloor = n$$
 if and only if $n \le x < n + 1$

(1b)
$$\lceil x \rceil = n$$
 if and only if $n - 1 < x \le n$

(1c)
$$\lfloor x \rfloor = n$$
 if and only if $x - 1 < n \le x$

(1d)
$$\lceil x \rceil = n$$
 if and only if $x \le n < x + 1$

$$(2) \quad x - 1 < \lfloor x \rfloor \le x \le \lceil x \rceil < x + 1$$

(3a)
$$\lfloor -x \rfloor = -\lceil x \rceil$$

(3b) $\lceil -x \rceil = -\lvert x \rvert$

$$(4a) \quad \lfloor x + n \rfloor = \lfloor x \rfloor + n$$

$$(4b) \quad \lceil x+n \rceil = \lceil x \rceil + n$$

Proving Properties of Functions

Example: Prove that x is a real number, then $\lfloor 2x \rfloor = \lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor x + 1/2 \rfloor$

Solution: Let $x = n + \varepsilon$, where *n* is an integer and $0 \le \varepsilon < 1$. Case 1: $0 \le \varepsilon < \frac{1}{2}$

- $2x = 2n + 2\varepsilon$ and $\lfloor 2x \rfloor = 2n$, since $0 \le 2\varepsilon < 1$.
- [x + 1/2] = n, since $x + \frac{1}{2} = n + (1/2 + \varepsilon)$ and $0 \le \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon < 1$.
- Hence, [2x] = 2n and [x] + [x + 1/2] = n + n = 2n.

Case 2: $\frac{1}{2} \le \varepsilon < 1$

• $2x = 2n + 2\varepsilon = (2n + 1) + (2\varepsilon - 1)$. Because $0 \le 2\varepsilon - 1 < 1$, it follows that $\lfloor 2x \rfloor = 2n + 1$,

• $[x + 1/2] = [n + (1/2 + \varepsilon)] = [n + 1 - 1 + (1/2 + \varepsilon)] = [n+1+(\varepsilon-1/2)] = n+1$ since $0 \le \varepsilon - 1/2 \le 1$.

• Hence, $\lfloor 2x \rfloor = 2n + 1$ and $\lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor x + 1/2 \rfloor = n + (n + 1) = 2n + 1$.

Factorial Function

Definition: $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+$, denoted by f(n) = n! is the product of the first *n* positive integers when *n* is a nonnegative integer.

$$f(n) = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot \cdot \cdot (n-1) \cdot n, \qquad f(0) = 0! = 1$$

Examples:

f(1) = 1! = 1 $f(2) = 2! = 1 \cdot 2 = 2$ $f(6) = 6! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 \cdot 6 = 720$ f(20) = 2,432,902,008,176,640,000.