

CHAPTER 1: RELATION & FUNCTIONS

(NCERT SOLUTIONS)

Q1. Determine whether each of the following relations are reflexive, symmetric and transitive:

(i) Relation R in the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 13, 14\}$ defined as $R = \{(x, y) : 3x - y = 0\}$

(ii) Relation R in the set N of natural numbers defined as $R = \{(x, y) : y = x + 5 \text{ and } x < 4\}$

(iii) Relation R in the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ as $R = \{(x, y) : y \text{ is divisible by } x\}$

(iv) Relation R in the set Z of all integers defined as $R = \{(x, y) : x - y \text{ is an integer}\}$

(v) Relation R in the set A of human beings in a town at a particular time given by

(a) $R = \{(x, y) : x \text{ and } y \text{ work at the same place}\}$

(b) $R = \{(x, y) : x \text{ and } y \text{ live in the same locality}\}$

(c) $R = \{(x, y) : x \text{ is exactly 7 cm taller than } y\}$

(d) $R = \{(x, y) : x \text{ is wife of } y\}$

(e) $R = \{(x, y) : x \text{ is father of } y\}$

Solution:

(i) $R = \{(x, y) : 3x - y = 0\}$

$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, \dots, 13, 14\}$

Therefore, $R = \{(1, 3), (2, 6), (3, 9), (4, 12)\} \dots (1)$

As per reflexive property: $(x, x) \in R$, then R is reflexive)

Since there is no such pair, so R is not reflexive.

As per symmetric property: $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, x) \in R$, then R is symmetric. Since there is no such pair, R is not symmetric

As per transitive property: If $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in R$, then $(x, z) \in R$. Thus R is transitive.

From (1), $(1, 3) \in R$ and $(3, 9) \in R$ but $(1, 9) \notin R$, R is not transitive.

Therefore, R is neither reflexive, nor symmetric and nor transitive.

(ii) $R = \{(x, y) : y = x + 5 \text{ and } x < 4\}$ in set N of natural numbers.

Values of x are 1, 2, and 3

So, $R = \{(1, 6), (2, 7), (3, 8)\}$

As per reflexive property: $(x, x) \in R$, then R is reflexive

Since there is no such pair, R is not reflexive.

As per symmetric property: $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, x) \in R$, then R is symmetric. Since there is no such pair, so R is not symmetric

As per transitive property: If $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in R$, then $(x, z) \in R$. Thus R is transitive.

Since there is no such pair, so R is not transitive.

Therefore, R is neither reflexive, nor symmetric and nor transitive.

(iii) $R = \{(x, y) : y \text{ is divisible by } x\}$ in $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

From above we have,

$R = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (1, 5), (1, 6), (2, 2), (2, 4), (2, 6), (3, 3), (3, 6), (4, 4), (5, 5), (6, 6)\}$

As per reflexive property: $(x, x) \in R$, then R is reflexive.

$(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5)$ and $(6, 6) \in R$. Therefore, R is reflexive.

As per symmetric property: $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, x) \in R$, then R is symmetric.

$(1, 2) \in R$ but $(2, 1) \notin R$. So R is not symmetric.

As per transitive property: If $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in R$, then $(x, z) \in R$. Thus R is transitive.

Also $(1, 4) \in R$ and $(4, 4) \in R$ and $(1, 4) \in R$, So R is transitive. Therefore, R is reflexive and transitive but not symmetric.

(iv) $R = \{(x, y) : x - y \text{ is an integer}\}$ in set Z of all integers.

Now, (x, x) , say $(1, 1) = x - y = 1 - 1 = 0 \in Z \Rightarrow R$ is reflexive.

$(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, x) \in R$, i.e.,

$x - y$ and $y - x$ are integers $\Rightarrow R$ is symmetric.

$(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in R$, then $(x, z) \in R$ i.e.,

$x - y$ and $y - z$ and $x - z$ are integers.

$(x, z) \in R \Rightarrow R$ is transitive

Therefore, R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

(v)

(a) $R = \{(x, y) : x \text{ and } y \text{ work at the same place}\}$

For reflexive: x and x can work at same place

$(x, x) \in R$

R is reflexive.

For symmetric: x and y work at same place so y and x also work at same place. (x, y)

$\in R$ and $(y, x) \in R$

R is symmetric.

For transitive: x and y work at same place and y and z work at same place, then x and z also work at same place.

$(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in R$ then $(x, z) \in R$

R is transitive

Therefore, R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

(b) $R = \{(x, y) : x \text{ and } y \text{ live in the same}$

locality} $(x, x) \in R \Rightarrow R$ is reflexive.

$(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, x) \in R \Rightarrow R$ is symmetric.

Again,

$(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in R$ then $(x, z) \in R \Rightarrow R$ is transitive.

Therefore, R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

(c) $R = \{(x, y) : x \text{ is exactly } 7 \text{ cm taller than}$

$y\}$ x can not be taller than x , so R is not

reflexive.

x is taller than y then y can not be taller than x , so R is not symmetric.

Again, x is 7 cm taller than y and y is 7 cm taller than z , then x can not be 7 cm taller than z , so R is not transitive.

Therefore, R is neither reflexive, nor symmetric and nor transitive.

$$(d) R = \{(x, y) : x \text{ is wife of } y\}$$

x is not wife of x , so R is not reflexive.

x is wife of y but y is not wife of x , so R is not symmetric.

Again, x is wife of y and y is wife of z then x can not be wife of z , so R is not transitive. Therefore, R is neither reflexive, nor symmetric and nor transitive.

$$(e) R = \{(x, y) : x \text{ is father of } y\}$$

x is not father of x , so R is not reflexive.

x is father of y but y is not father of x , so R is not symmetric.

Again, x is father of y and y is father of z then x cannot be father of z , so R is not transitive.

Therefore, R is neither reflexive, nor symmetric and nor transitive.

Q2. Show that the relation R in the set R of real numbers, defined as $R = \{(a, b) : a \leq b^2\}$ is neither reflexive nor symmetric nor transitive.

Solution:

$R = \{(a, b) : a \leq b^2\}$, Relation R is defined as the set of real numbers. (a,

$a) \in R$ then $a \leq a^2$, which is false. R is not reflexive.

$(a, b) = (b, a) \in R$ then $a \leq b^2$ and $b \leq a^2$, it is false statement. R is not symmetric.

Now, $a \leq b^2$ and $b \leq c^2$, then $a \leq c^2$, which is false. R is not transitive

Therefore, R is neither reflexive, nor symmetric and nor transitive.

Q3. Check whether the relation R defined in the set $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ as $R = \{(a, b) : b = a + 1\}$ is reflexive, symmetric or transitive.

Solution: $R = \{(a, b) : b = a + 1\}$

$R = \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 5), (5, 6)\}$

When $b = a$, $a = a + 1$: which is false, So R is not reflexive.

If $(a, b) = (b, a)$, then $b = a + 1$ and $a = b + 1$: Which is false, so R is not symmetric.

Q4. Show that the relation R in R defined as $R = \{(a, b) : a \leq b\}$, is reflexive and transitive but not symmetric.

Given, $R = \{(a, b); a \leq b\}$

Clearly $(a, a) \in R$ as $a = a$

$\therefore R$ is reflexive.

Now, $(2, 4) \in R$ (As $2 < 4$)

But, $(4, 2) \notin R$ because 4 is greater than 2

$\therefore R$ is not symmetric.

Now, let $(a, b), (b, c) \in R$

Then, $a \leq b$ and $b \leq c$

$\Rightarrow a \leq c$

$\Rightarrow (a, c) \in R$

$\therefore R$ is transitive.

Hence, R is reflexive and transitive but not symmetric.

Q 5: Check whether the relation R in R defined as $R = \{(a, b) : a \leq b^3\}$ is reflexive, symmetric or transitive.

Solution:

Given relation is $R = \{(a, b) : a \leq b^3\}$

For reflexive relation, $(a, a) \in R$ and $a \leq a^3$ but this is not always true.

Let $a = \frac{1}{2}$, $b = \frac{1}{2}$

$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) \notin R$ as $\frac{1}{2} \leq (\frac{1}{2})^3$ is false.

Therefore R is not a reflexive relation.

For symmetric relation, if $(a, b) \in R$, then $(b, a) \in R$

Let $a = 2$, $b = 12$

$(2, 12) \in R$ as $2 \leq 12^3$ is true but $(12, 2) \notin R$ as $12 \leq 2^3$ is false.

Therefore R is not a symmetric relation.

For transitive relation, if $(a, b) \in R$, $(b, c) \in R$, then $(a, c) \in R$

Let $a = 12$, $b = 3$, $c = 2$

$(12, 3) \in R$ as $12 \leq 3^3$ is true, $(3, 2) \in R$ as $3 \leq 2^3$ is true but $(12, 2) \notin R$ as $12 \leq 2^3$ is false.

Therefore R is not a transitive relation.

Hence, R is neither reflexive, symmetric nor transitive.

Q6. Show that the relation R in the set $\{1, 2, 3\}$ given by $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 1)\}$ is symmetric but neither reflexive nor transitive.

Solution:

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

$(x, x) \notin R$. R is not reflexive.

$(1, 2) \in R$ and $(2, 1) \in R$. R is symmetric.

Again, $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in R$ then (x, z) does not imply to R . R is not transitive. Therefore,

R is symmetric but neither reflexive nor transitive.

Q7. Show that the relation R in the set A of all the books in a library of a college, given by $R = \{(x, y) : x \text{ and } y \text{ have same number of pages}\}$ is an equivalence Relation.

Solution:

Books x and x have same number of pages. $(x, x) \in R$. R is reflexive.

If $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, x) \in R$, so R is symmetric.

Because, Books x and y have same number of pages and Books y and x have same number of pages.

Again, $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in R$ and $(x, z) \in R$. R is transitive.

Therefore, R is an equivalence relation.

Q8. Show that the relation R in the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ given by

$R = \{(a, b) : |a - b| \text{ is even}\}$, is an equivalence relation. Show that all the elements of $\{1, 3, 5\}$ are related to each other and all the elements of $\{2, 4\}$ are related to each other. But no element of $\{1, 3, 5\}$ is related to any element of $\{2, 4\}$.

Solution:

$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ and $R = \{(a, b) : |a - b| \text{ is even}\}$

We get, $R = \{(1, 3), (1, 5), (3, 5), (2, 4)\}$

For (a, a) , $|a - b| = |a - a| = 0$ is even. Therefore, R is reflexive. If

$|a - b|$ is even, then $|b - a|$ is also even. R is symmetric.

Again, if $|a - b|$ and $|b - c|$ is even then $|a - c|$ is also even. R is transitive.

Therefore, R is an equivalence relation.

(b) We have to show that, Elements of $\{1, 3, 5\}$ are related to each other.

$$|1 - 3| = 2$$

$$|3 - 5| = 2$$

$$|1 - 5| = 4$$

All are even numbers.

Elements of $\{1, 3, 5\}$ are related to each other.

Similarly, $|2 - 4| = 2$ (even number), elements of $\{2, 4\}$ are related to each other.

Hence no element of $\{1, 3, 5\}$ is related to any element of $\{2, 4\}$.

Q9. Show that each of the relation R in the set $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : 0 \leq x \leq 12\}$, given by

(i) $R = \{(a, b) : |a - b| \text{ is a multiple of } 4\}$

(ii) $R = \{(a, b) : a = b\}$

is an equivalence relation. Find the set of all elements related to 1 in each case.

Solution:

(i) $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : 0 \leq x \leq 12\}$

So, $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 12\}$

Now $R = \{(a, b) : |a - b| \text{ is a multiple of } 4\}$

$R = \{(4, 0), (0, 4), (5, 1), (1, 5), (6, 2), (2, 6), \dots, (12, 9), (9, 12), \dots, (8, 0), (0, 8), \dots, (8, 4), (4, 8), \dots, (12, 12)\}$

Here, $(x, x) = |4-4| = |8-8| = |12-12| = 0$: multiple of 4.

R is reflexive.

$|a - b|$ and $|b - a|$ are multiple of 4. $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$. R

is symmetric.

And $|a - b|$ and $|b - c|$ then $|a - c|$ are multiple of 4. $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$ and $(a, c) \in R$ R is transitive.

Hence R is an equivalence relation.

(ii) Here, $(a, a) = a = a$.

$(a, a) \in R$. So R is reflexive.

$a = b$ and $b = a$. $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$.

R is symmetric.

And $a = b$ and $b = c$ then $a = c$. $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$ and $(a, c) \in R$ R is transitive.

Hence R is an equivalence relation.

Now set of all elements related to 1 in each case is

(i) Required set = $\{1, 5, 9\}$

(ii) Required set = $\{1\}$

Q10. Give an example of a relation. Which is

- (iii) Symmetric but neither reflexive nor transitive.
- (iv) Transitive but neither reflexive nor symmetric.
- (v) Reflexive and symmetric but not transitive.
- (vi) Reflexive and transitive but not symmetric.
- (vii) Symmetric and transitive but not reflexive.

Solution:

(i) Consider a relation $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 1)\}$ in the set $\{1, 2, 3\}$

$(x, x) \notin R$. R is not reflexive.

$(1, 2) \in R$ and $(2, 1) \in R$. R is symmetric.

Again, $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in R$ then (x, z) does not imply to R . R is not transitive.

Therefore, R is symmetric but neither reflexive nor transitive.

(ii) Relation $R = \{(a, b) : a > b\}$

$a > a$ (false statement).

Also $a > b$ but $b > a$ (false statement) and

If $a > b$ but $b > c$, this implies $a > c$

Therefore, R is transitive, but neither reflexive nor symmetric.

(iii) $R = \{(a, b) : a \text{ is friend of } b\}$

b is friend of a . R is

reflexive.

Also a is friend of b and b is friend of a . R is symmetric.

Also if a is friend of b and b is friend of c then a cannot be friend of c . R is not transitive. Therefore,

R is reflexive and symmetric but not transitive.

(iv) Say R is defined in R as $R = \{(a, b) : a \leq b\}$

$a \leq a$: which is true, $(a, a) \in R$, So R is reflexive.

$a \leq b$ but $b \leq a$ (false): $(a, b) \in R$ but $(b, a) \notin R$, So R is not symmetric.

Again, $a \leq b$ and $b \leq c$ then $a \leq c$: $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$ and $(a, c) \in R$, So R is transitive. Therefore, R is reflexive and transitive but not symmetric.

(v) $R = \{(a, b) : a \text{ is sister of } b\}$ (suppose a and b are

female) a is not sister of a . R is not reflexive.

a is sister of b and b is sister of a . R is symmetric.

Again, a is sister of b and b is sister of c then a is sister of c .

Therefore, R is symmetric and transitive but not reflexive.

Q11. Show that the relation R in the set A of points in a plane given by $R = \{(P, Q) : \text{distance of the point } P \text{ from the origin is same as the distance of the point } Q \text{ from the origin}\}$, is an equivalence relation. Further, show that the set of all points related to a point $P \neq (0, 0)$ is the circle passing through P with origin as centre.

Solution:

$R = \{(P, Q) : \text{distance of the point } P \text{ from the origin is the same as the distance of the point } Q \text{ from the origin}\}$

Say " O " is origin Point.

Since the distance of the point P from the origin is always the same as the distance of the same point P from the origin.

$OP = OP$

So $(P, P) \in R$. R is reflexive.

Distance of the point P from the origin is the same as the distance of the point Q from the origin

$OP = OQ$ then $OQ = OP$

R is symmetric.

Also, $OP = OQ$ and $OQ = OR$ then $OP = OR$. R is transitive.

Therefore, R is an equivalent relation.

Q12. Show that the relation R defined in the set A of all triangles as $R = \{(T_1, T_2) : T_1 \text{ is similar to } T_2\}$, is equivalence relation. Consider three right angle triangles T_1 with sides 3, 4, 5, T_2 with sides 5, 12, 13 and T_3 with sides 6, 8, 10. Which triangles among T_1 , T_2 and T_3 are related?

Solution:

Case I:

T_1, T_2 are triangle.

$R = \{(T_1, T_2) : T_1 \text{ is similar to } T_2\}$

Check for reflexive:

As We know that each triangle is similar to itself, so $(T_1, T_1) \in R$
R is reflexive.

Check for symmetric:

Also two triangles are similar, then T_1 is similar to T_2 and T_2 is similar to T_1 , so $(T_1, T_2) \in R$ and $(T_2, T_1) \in R$
R is symmetric.

Check for transitive:

Again, if then T_1 is similar to T_2 and T_2 is similar to T_3 , then T_1 is similar to T_3 , so $(T_1, T_2) \in R$ and $(T_2, T_3) \in R$ and $(T_1, T_3) \in R$
R is transitive

Therefore, R is an equivalent relation.

Case 2: It is given that T_1, T_2 and T_3 are right angled triangles.

T_1 with sides 3, 4, 5

T_2 with sides 5, 12, 13 and

T_3 with sides 6, 8, 10

Since, two triangles are similar if corresponding sides are proportional. Therefore,

$$3/6 = 4/8 = 5/10 = 1/2$$

Therefore, T_1 and T_3 are related.

Q13. Show that the relation R defined in the set A of all polygons as $R = \{(P_1, P_2) : P_1 \text{ and } P_2 \text{ have same number of sides}\}$, is an equivalence relation. What is the set of all elements in A related to the right-angle triangle T with sides 3, 4 and 5?

Solution:

Case I:

$R = \{(P_1, P_2) : P_1 \text{ and } P_2 \text{ have same number of sides}\}$

Check for reflexive:

P_1 and P_1 have same number of sides, So R is reflexive.

Check for symmetric:

P_1 and P_2 have same number of sides then P_2 and P_1 have same number of sides, so $(P_1, P_2) \in R$ and $(P_2, P_1) \in R$
 R is symmetric.

Check for transitive:

Again, P_1 and P_2 have same number of sides, and P_2 and P_3 have same number of sides, then also P_1 and P_3 have same number of sides.
 So $(P_1, P_2) \in R$ and $(P_2, P_3) \in R$ and $(P_1, P_3) \in R$
 R is transitive

Therefore, R is an equivalent relation.

Since 3, 4, 5 are the sides of a triangle, the triangle is right angled triangle. Therefore, the set A is the set of right angled triangle.

Q14. Let L be the set of all lines in XY plane and R be the relation in L defined as $R = \{(L_1, L_2) : L_1 \text{ is parallel to } L_2\}$. Show that R is an equivalence relation. Find the set of all lines related to the line $y = 2x + 4$.

Solution:

L_1 is parallel to itself i.e., $(L_1, L_1) \in R$

R is reflexive

Now, let $(L_1, L_2) \in R$

L_1 is parallel to L_2 and L_2 is parallel to L_1

$(L_2, L_1) \in R$, Therefore, R is symmetric.

Now, let $(L_1, L_2), (L_2, L_3) \in R$

L_1 is parallel to L_2 . Also, L_2 is parallel to L_3

L_1 is parallel to L_3

Therefore, R is transitive

Hence, R is an equivalence relation.

Again, The set of all lines related to the line $y = 2x + 4$, is the set of all its parallel lines. Slope of given line is $m = 2$.

As we know slope of all parallel lines are same.

Hence, the set of all related to $y = 2x + 4$ is $y = 2x + k$, where $k \in \mathbb{R}$.

Q15. Let R be the relation in the set $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ given by $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 2), (1, 1), (4, 4), (1, 3), (3, 3), (3, 2)\}$. Choose the correct answer.

- (A) R is reflexive and symmetric but not transitive.
- (B) R is reflexive and transitive but not symmetric.
- (C) R is symmetric and transitive but not reflexive.
- (D) R is an equivalence relation.

Solution:

Let R be the relation in the set $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ given by $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 2), (1, 1), (4, 4), (1, 3), (3, 3), (3, 2)\}$.

Step 1: $(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4) \in R$, R is reflexive.

Step 2: $(1, 2) \in R$ but $(2, 1) \notin R$. R is not symmetric.

Step 3: Consider any set of points, $(1, 3) \in R$ and $(3, 2) \in R$ then $(1, 2) \in R$. So, R is transitive.

Option (B) is correct.

Q16. Let R be the relation in the set \mathbb{N} given by $R = \{(a, b) : a = b - 2, b > 6\}$. Choose the correct answer. (A) $(2, 4) \in R$ (B) $(3, 8) \in R$ (C) $(6, 8) \in R$ (D) $(8, 7) \in R$

Solution: $R = \{(a, b) : a = b - 2, b > 6\}$

(A) Incorrect: Value of $b = 4$, not true.

(B) Incorrect: $a = 3$ and $b = 8 > 6$
 $a = b - 2 \Rightarrow 3 = 8 - 2$ and $3 = 6$, which is false.

(C) Correct: $a = 6$ and $b = 8 > 6$
 $a = b - 2 \Rightarrow 6 = 8 - 2$ and $6 = 6$, which is true.

(D) Incorrect: $a = 8$ and $b = 7 > 6$
 $a = b - 2 \Rightarrow 8 = 7 - 2$ and $8 = 5$, which is false.

Therefore, option (C) is correct.

$\in R$ but $(2, 1) \notin R$