

Diskrete Mathematik

Solution 5

5.1 Computing Representations of Relations

a) We have $\rho^3 = \{(1, 1), (1, 3), (2, 2), (4, 4)\}$ and

$$M^{\rho^*} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

5.2 Operations on Relations

	Relation	reflexive	symmetric	transitive
a)	$< \circ $	✗	✗	✓
b)	$ \cup \equiv_2$	✓	✗	✗
c)	$ \cup ^{-1}$	✓	✓	✗

a) Two numbers (a, b) are in the relation whenever there exists an x such that $a < x$ and $x | b$. This relation is not reflexive, since $(1, 1) \notin < \circ |$. Moreover, it is not symmetric, because $(1, 2) \in < \circ |$, but $(2, 1) \notin < \circ |$. This relation is transitive. For any (a, b, c) , assume that there exist some x and y , such that $a < x$, $x | b$, $b < y$ and $y | c$. From $x | b$ it follows that $x \leq b$, hence, $a < x \leq b < y$. Therefore, $a < y$ and $y | c$.

b) Two numbers (a, b) are in the relation whenever $a | b$ or $a \equiv_2 b$. This relation is reflexive, since for any a , we have $a \equiv_2 a$ (alternatively, one could use the fact that $a | a$). It is, however, not symmetric, because $(1, 2) \in | \cup \equiv_2$, but $(2, 1) \notin | \cup \equiv_2$. It is also not transitive, since $(3, 1) \in | \cup \equiv_2$ and $(1, 2) \in | \cup \equiv_2$, but $(3, 2) \notin | \cup \equiv_2$.

c) Two numbers (a, b) are in the relation whenever $a | b$ or $b | a$. This relation is reflexive, since for any a , we have $a | a$. It is also symmetric, because for any (a, b) , we trivially have $a | b$ or $b | a$ if and only if $b | a$ or $a | b$. The relation is, however, not transitive, since $(3, 1) \in | \cup |^{-1}$ and $(1, 2) \in | \cup |^{-1}$ but $(3, 2) \notin | \cup |^{-1}$.

5.3 A False Proof

a) For an arbitrary $x \in A$, there does not always exist a $y \in A$ such that $x \rho y$.

b) Consider the following counterexample: $A = \{1, 2\}$ and $\rho = \{(1, 1)\}$. The relation ρ is symmetric and transitive. However, it is not reflexive, since $2 \rho 2$ does not hold.

5.4 An Equivalence Relation

- a) We prove that $\sim$ satisfies all properties of an equivalence relation.

Reflexivity: For any point $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$, we have $(x, y) \sim (x, y)$, because one can choose $\lambda = 1$ in the definition of $\sim$.

Symmetry: Let $x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2 \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ and assume that $(x_1, y_1) \sim (x_2, y_2)$. It follows that $x_1 = \lambda x_2$ and $y_1 = \lambda y_2$ for some $\lambda > 0$. Hence, $x_2 = \frac{1}{\lambda} x_1$ and $y_2 = \frac{1}{\lambda} y_1$, where $\frac{1}{\lambda} > 0$. Therefore, $(x_2, y_2) \sim (x_1, y_1)$.

Transitivity: Let $x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, x_3, y_3 \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ and assume that $(x_1, y_1) \sim (x_2, y_2)$ and $(x_2, y_2) \sim (x_3, y_3)$. This means that $(x_1, y_1) = (\lambda_1 x_2, \lambda_1 y_2)$ and $(x_2, y_2) = (\lambda_2 x_3, \lambda_2 y_3)$ for some $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$. It follows that $(x_1, y_1) = (\lambda_1 \lambda_2 x_3, \lambda_1 \lambda_2 y_3)$, where $\lambda > 0$ is defined as $\lambda_1 \lambda_2$. Hence, $(x_1, y_1) \sim (x_3, y_3)$.

- b) An equivalence class $[(x, y)]_\sim$ contains all points on the ray through the origin $(0, 0)$ and the point (x, y) (excluding the origin). Note that no equivalence class can contain the origin $(0, 0)$ ($\sim$ is only defined on $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$).

5.5 Properties of Relations

- a) The claim is false. We prove this by a counter example: In particular, we show that there exists a relation ρ on a set A such that ρ^2 is symmetric on A but ρ is not symmetric on A .

Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ and ρ be defined on A by

$$a \rho b \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} b \equiv_4 a + 1.$$

Then clearly ρ is not symmetric, as for $a = 0$ and $b = 1$ we have $a \rho b$, but $b \rho a$ is false as $0 \not\equiv_4 2$. On the other hand, we have for arbitrary $a, b \in A$

$$\begin{aligned} a \rho^2 b &\iff \exists c (a \rho c \wedge c \rho b) \\ &\iff \exists c (c \equiv_4 a + 1 \wedge b \equiv_4 c + 1) \\ &\iff \exists c (c + 2 \equiv_4 a + 3 \wedge b + 2 \equiv_4 c + 3) \quad [\text{justification: add 2 on both sides}] \\ &\iff \exists d (d \equiv_4 a + 3 \wedge b \equiv_4 d + 3) \quad [\text{justification: let } d \in A \text{ such that } d \equiv_4 c + 2] \\ &\iff \exists d (b \equiv_4 d + 3 \wedge d \equiv_4 a + 3) \\ &\iff \exists d (d \equiv_4 b + 1 \wedge a \equiv_4 d + 1) \\ &\iff \exists d (b \rho d \wedge d \rho a) \\ &\iff b \rho^2 a. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, ρ^2 is symmetric.

- b) The claim is false. We prove this by a counter example: In particular, we show that there exists a relation ρ on a set A such that ρ is symmetric and antisymmetric, but $\rho \neq \text{id}_A$.

(In fact, one can show that for any relation ρ on a set A it holds: If ρ is symmetric and antisymmetric, then $\rho \subseteq \text{id}_A$; but, as noted above, equality does not necessarily hold.)

A simple counter example is A being an arbitrary non-empty set and $\rho = \emptyset$, i.e. $a \rho b$ is false for all $a, b \in A$. It follows immediately from the definitions of symmetric and antisymmetric relations that ρ satisfies both required properties:

For any $a, b \in A$ we have

$$a \rho b \iff (a, b) \in \rho \iff (b, a) \in \rho \iff b \rho a,$$

hence, ρ is symmetric. On the other hand, since $a \rho b$ and $b \rho a$ are both false for any $a, b \in A$, it holds that

$$(a \rho b \wedge b \rho a) \implies a = b$$

for all $a, b \in A$. Hence, ρ is also antisymmetric.

- c) The claim is true. As ρ is a relation on $\mathbb{Z}$, hence $\rho^2 \subseteq \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ by definition, it suffices to show that $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \subseteq \rho^2$. This is equivalent to showing that for all $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ it holds $(a, b) \in \rho^2$. We show this by case distinction over the cases $a \equiv_2 b$ and $a \not\equiv_2 b$. Clearly, one of these cases must be true for any $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$. Hence, once we proved the statement for both cases, it follows that the general statement is true.

First, let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ be arbitrary such that $a \equiv_2 b$. By definition of ρ_2 we have $a \rho_2 b$. Furthermore, it trivially holds $b \rho_2 b$. This implies $a \rho_2^2 b$ and hence $a \rho^2 b$ since $\rho_2 \subseteq \rho$.

Now consider the case $a \not\equiv_2 b$. By definition of $\equiv_2$ there must exist $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $a - b = 2k + 1$. Let $c = b + 2(k + 1)$. Then we have $c = a + 1$, hence $a \rho_1 c$ and since $\rho_1 \subseteq \rho$ we get $a \rho c$. On the other hand, we have $c \equiv_2 b$, hence $c \rho_2 b$ and since $\rho_2 \subseteq \rho$, this gives $c \rho b$. This implies $a \rho^2 b$ by the definition of composition of relations.

5.6 Lifting an Operation to Equivalence Classes

- a) We define the function $\text{sum} : A^2 \rightarrow A$ by

$$\text{sum}((a, b), (c, d)) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (ad + bc, bd).$$

Observe that $bd \neq 0$ since $b \neq 0$ and $d \neq 0$.

- b) f is θ -consistent if and only if

$$(b_1 \theta b'_1 \text{ and } b_2 \theta b'_2) \implies f(b_1, b_2) \theta f(b'_1, b'_2)$$

is true for all $b_1, b_2, b'_1, b'_2 \in B$. Alternatively (and equivalently) we could say that f is θ -consistent if and only if

$$([b_1]_\theta = [b'_1]_\theta \text{ and } [b_2]_\theta = [b'_2]_\theta) \implies [f(b_1, b_2)]_\theta = [f(b'_1, b'_2)]_\theta$$

is true for all $b_1, b_2, b'_1, b'_2 \in B$.

c) Let $(a, b), (a', b'), (c, d), (c', d') \in A$ be arbitrary. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
& (a, b) \sim (a', b') \text{ and } (c, d) \sim (c', d') \\
& \iff ab' = ba' \text{ and } cd' = dc' && \text{(def. } \sim) \\
& \implies ab' \cdot dd' + cd' \cdot bb' = ba' \cdot dd' + dc' \cdot bb' \\
& \iff ad \cdot b'd' + bc \cdot b'd' = bd \cdot a'd' + bd \cdot b'c' && \text{(comm.)} \\
& \iff (ad + bc) \cdot b'd' = bd \cdot (a'd' + b'c') && \text{(distr.)} \\
& \iff (ad + bc, bd) \sim (a'd' + b'c', b'd') && \text{(def. } \sim) \\
& \iff \text{sum}((a, b), (c, d)) \sim \text{sum}((a', b'), (c', d')). && \text{(def. sum)}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, sum is $\sim$ -consistent.