

Induction (Strong induction)

Second form.

Let $P(n)$ be a proposition defined on the integers $n \geq 1$ such that:

(i) $P(1)$ is true.

and

(ii) $P(k)$ is true whenever $P(j)$ is true for all $1 \leq j \leq k$.

Then, $P(n)$ is true for every integer $n \geq 1$.

Step 1: Demonstrate the base case

Step 2: Prove the inductive step.

We assume that all of $P(k_0), P(k_0+1), \dots, P(k)$ are true. Then, we show $P(k+1)$ is true.

Fibonacci Sequence.

$$F_{n+2} = F_{n+1} + F_n, \text{ for } n \geq 0, n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

with $F_1 = F_2 = 1$.

Show that:

$$F_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \cdot \left[\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n \right]$$

Examples (Practice):

- Prove that $n! > 2^n - 1$, for all integers ^{with} $n \geq 4$
- Prove that $n^2 > n + 3$, for all integers with $n \geq 3$.

Finite Sets and Cardinality

Some important properties:

- $|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$

- $|A \setminus B| = |A| - |A \cap B|$

- $|A \cap B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cup B|$

e.g. $A = \{a, b, c\}$, $B = \{b, d, e, x, z\}$

Then,

$$A \cup B = \{a, b, c, d, e, x, z\}$$

$$A \cap B = \{b\}$$

$$A \setminus B = \{a, c\}$$

$$|A| = 3, |B| = 5, |A \cup B| = 7, |A \cap B| = 1, |A \setminus B| = 2$$

Based on the above-mentioned properties:

$$|A \cup B| = 7 = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B| = 3 + 5 - 1$$

$$|A \setminus B| = 2 = |A| - |A \cap B| = 3 - 1$$

$$|A \cap B| = 1 = |A| + |B| - |A \cup B| = 3 + 5 - 7$$

② If A and B are disjoint sets, i.e. $A \cap B = \emptyset$
then

$$|A \cap B| = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad |A \cup B| = |A| + |B|$$

③ $|A^c| = |U| - |A|$, where U is the universal set

Cartesian Product of Sets

An ordered pair of elements a and b , where a is the first element and b is the second element, is denoted by (a, b) .

In particular,

$$(a, b) = (c, d) \Leftrightarrow a = c \wedge b = d$$

The set of all ordered pairs (a, b) where $a \in A$ and $b \in B$ is called the cartesian product of A and B . A and B are two arbitrary sets and the cartesian product of A and B is denoted by $A \times B$, i.e.

$$A \times B = \{ (a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B \}$$

Example:

$$A = \{ 1, 2 \}, \quad B = \{ a, b, c \}$$

$$A \times B =$$

$$B \times A =$$

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Relations

Let A and B be sets. A binary relation or simply a relation from A to B is a subset of $A \times B$.

Let us suppose R is a relation from A to B .

Then, R is a set of ordered pairs where each first element comes from A and each second element comes from B , i.e. for each pair (a, b) with $a \in A$ and $b \in B$, exactly one of the following is true:

(i) $(a, b) \in R$; we say " a is related to b " and we write it as $a R b$.

or

(ii) $(a, b) \notin R$; we say " a is not related to b " and we write it as $a \not R b$.

Note that if R is a relation from a set A to itself, i.e. if R is a subset of $A^2 = A \times A$ then we say that R is a relation on A .

The domain of a relation R is the set of all the first elements of the ordered pairs that belong to R .

The range of a relation R is the set of all the second elements of the ordered pairs that belong to R .

Some important relations:

The empty relation (or void relation): if no element of set A is related (mapped) to any of the elements of set B . It is denoted by $R = \emptyset$.

The universal relation.

If every element of A is related to the set A , i.e. $R = A \times A$.

The identity relation

is denoted by $I = \{(x, x) : x \in A\}$.

Example:

$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{x, y, z\}$ and

R is defined as $R = \{(1, y), (1, z), (3, y)\}$

- Then, R is a relation from A to B , as R is a subset of $A \times B$.

- For this relation,

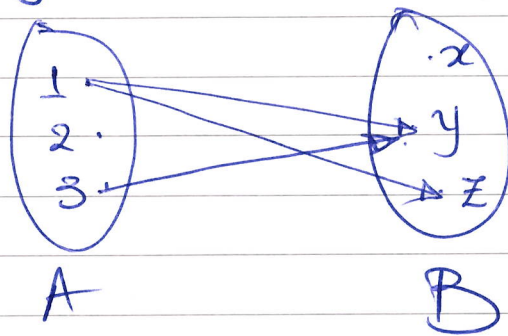
$1Ry$, $1Rz$, $3Ry$

but

$1Rx$, $2Ry$, $3Rz$ etc.

- The domain of R is $\{1, 3\}$ and the range of R is $\{y, z\}$.

A (better 😊?) way to visualise and understand the relations is to see it pictorially:



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

Inverse Relation

Let R be any relation from a set A to a set B . The inverse of R , denoted by R^{-1} is a relation from B to A consisting of those ordered pairs which, when reversed, belong to R , i.e.

$$R^{-1} = \{ (b, a) \mid (a, b) \in R \}.$$

In the above example, the inverse of $R = \{ (1, y), (1, z), (3, y) \}$ is

Types of Relations :

a) Reflective Relations

A relation R on a set A is reflective if aRa for every $a \in A$, i.e.
if $(a, a) \in R$ for every $a \in A$.

R is not reflective, if $\exists a \in A$ such that $(a, a) \notin R$.

b) Symmetric and Antisymmetric Relations

- A relation R on a set A is symmetric if whenever aRb then bRa , i.e. if whenever $(a,b) \in R$ then $(b,a) \in R$.

Thus,

R is not symmetric, if $\exists a, b \in A$ such that $(a,b) \in R$ but $(b,a) \notin R$.

- A relation R on a set A is antisymmetric if whenever aRb and bRa , then $a=b$, i.e. if $a \neq b$ and aRb , then $b \not R a$.

c) Transitive Relations ∴

A relation R on a set A is transitive, if whenever aRb and bRc , then aRc , i.e. whenever $(a,b) \in R$ and $(b,c) \in R$, then $(a,c) \in R$.

Equivalence Relations:

Consider a non-empty set S . A relation R on S is an equivalence relation, if R is reflective, symmetric and transitive.

Totality

$\forall a, b \in S$, aRb or bRa .

Order Relations

(i) $R \subseteq S \times S$ is a partial order, if R is reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive.

(ii) If, in addition, R is total, then we say that R is a total order.

Note that any total order is also a partial order.