

**RD Sharma**  
**Solutions**  
**Class 12 Maths**  
**Chapter 1**  
**Ex 1.1**

## Relations Ex 1.1 Q1(i)

$A$  be the set of human beings.

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

Reflexive:

$\therefore$   $x$  and  $x$  works together

$$\therefore (x, x) \in R$$

$\Rightarrow R$  is reflexive

Symmetric: If  $x$  and  $y$  work at the same place, which implies,  
 $y$  and  $x$  work at the same place

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

$\Rightarrow R$  is symmetric

Transitive: If  $x$  and  $y$  work at the same place  
then  $x$  and  $y$  work at the same place and  $y$  and  $z$  work at the same place

$$\Rightarrow (x, z) \in R \text{ and}$$

Hence,

$\Rightarrow R$  is transitive

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q1(ii)

$A$  be the set of human beings.

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

Reflexive: since  $x$  and  $x$  lives in the same locality

$$\Rightarrow (x, x) \in R$$

$\Rightarrow R$  is reflexive

Symmetric: Let  $(x, y) \in R$

$\Rightarrow x$  and  $y$  lives in the same locality

$\Rightarrow y$  and  $x$  lives in the same locality

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

Transitive: Let  $(x, y) \in R$  and  $(y, z) \in R$

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

$\Rightarrow x$  and  $y$  lives in the same locality

$$\text{and } (y, z) \in R$$

$\Rightarrow y$  and  $z$  lives in the same locality

$\Rightarrow x$  and  $z$  lives in the same locality

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

$\Rightarrow R$  is transitive

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q1(iii)

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

Reflexive: since  $x$  can not be wife of  $x$

$$\therefore (x, x) \notin R$$

$\Rightarrow R$  is not reflexive

Symmetric: Let  $(x, y) \in R$

$\Rightarrow x$  is wife of  $y$

$\Rightarrow y$  is husband of  $x$

$$\Rightarrow (y, x) \notin R$$

$\Rightarrow R$  is not symmetric

Transitive: Let  $(x, y) \in R$  and  $(y, z) \in R$

$\Rightarrow x$  is wife of  $y$  and  $y$  is husband of  $z$   
which is a contradiction

$$\Rightarrow (x, z) \notin R$$

$\Rightarrow R$  is not transitive

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q1(iv)

$A$  be the set of human beings

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

Reflexive: since  $x$  can not be father of  $x$

$$\therefore (x, x) \notin R$$

$\Rightarrow R$  is not reflexive

Symmetric: Let  $(x, y) \in R$

$\Rightarrow x$  is father of  $y$

$\Rightarrow y$  can not be father of  $x$

$$\Rightarrow (y, x) \notin R$$

$\Rightarrow R$  is not symmetric

Transitive: Let  $(x, y) \in R$  and  $(y, z) \in R$

$\Rightarrow x$  is father of  $y$  and  $y$  is father of  $z$

$\Rightarrow x$  is grandfather of  $z$

$$\Rightarrow (x, z) \notin R$$

$\Rightarrow R$  is not transitive

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q2

We have,  $A = \{a, b, c\}$

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

$R_1$  is reflexive as  $(a, a) \in R_1, (b, b) \in R_1$  &  $(c, c) \in R_1$

$R_1$  is not symmetric as  $(a, b) \in R_1$  but  $(b, a) \notin R_1$

$R_1$  is not transitive as  $(b, c) \in R_1$  and  $(c, a) \in R_1$  but  $(b, a) \notin R_1$

$$R_2 = \{(a, a)\}$$

$R_2$  is not reflexive as  $(b, b) \notin R_2$

$R_2$  is symmetric and transitive.

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

$R_3$  is not reflexive as  $(b, b) \notin R_3$

$R_3$  is not symmetric

$R_3$  is not transitive.

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

$R_4$  is not reflexive on set  $A$  as  $(a, a) \notin R_4$

$R_4$  is not symmetric as  $(a, b) \in R_4$  but  $(b, a) \notin R_4$

$R_4$  is not transitive as  $(a, b) \in R_4$  and  $(b, c) \in R_4$  but  $(a, c) \notin R_4$

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q3

$$R_1 = \left\{ (x, y), x, y \in Q_0, x = \frac{1}{y} \right\}$$

Reflexivity: Let,  $x \in Q_0$

$$\Rightarrow x \neq \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x, x) \notin R_1$$

$\therefore R_1$  is not reflexive

Symmetric: Let,  $(x, y) \in R_1$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow (y, x) \in R_1$$

$\therefore R_1$  is symmetric

Transitive: Let,  $(x, y) \in R_1$  and  $(y, z) \in R_1$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{y} \text{ and } y = \frac{1}{z}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = z$$

$$\Rightarrow (x, z) \notin R_1$$

$\therefore R_1$  is not transitive

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q3(ii)

Reflexivity: Let,  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\Rightarrow |a - a| = 0 \leq 5$$

$\therefore (a, a) \in R_2 \Rightarrow R_2$  is reflexive

Symmetry: Let,  $(a, b) \in R_2$

$$\Rightarrow |a - a| \leq 5$$

$$\Rightarrow |b - a| \leq 5$$

$$\Rightarrow |b, a| \in R_2 \Rightarrow R_2 \text{ is symmetric}$$

Transitivity: Let,  $(a, b) \in R_2$  and  $(b, c) \in R_2$

$$\Rightarrow |a - b| \leq 5 \text{ and } |b - c| \leq 5$$

$$\nRightarrow |a - c| \leq 5$$

$\Rightarrow R_2$  is not transitive

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \therefore \text{if } a = 15, b = 11, c = 7 \\ \Rightarrow |15 - 11| \leq 5 \text{ and } |11 - 7| \leq 5 \\ \text{but } |15 - 7| \geq 5 \end{array} \right]$$

#### Relations Ex 1.1 Q4

(i) We have,  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and

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

$\therefore (1,1), (2,2)$  and  $(3,3) \in R_1$

$\therefore R_1$  is not Reflexive

Now,

$\therefore (2,1) \in R_1$  but  $(1,2) \notin R_1$

$\therefore R_1$  is not Symmetric

Again,

$\therefore (2,1) \in R_1$  and  $(1,3) \in R_1$  but  $(2,3) \notin R_1$

$\therefore R_1$  is not Transitive

(ii)  $R_2 = \{(2,2), (3,1), (1,3)\}$

$\therefore (1,1) \notin R_2$

$\Rightarrow R_2$  is not reflexive

Now,  $(1,3) \in R_2$

$\Rightarrow (3,1) \in R_2$

$\Rightarrow R_2$  is symmetric

Again,  $(3,1) \in R_2$  and  $(1,3) \in R_2$  but  $(3,3) \notin R_1$

$\therefore R_2$  is not transitive

(iii)  $R_3 = \{(1,3)(3,3)\}$

$\therefore (1,1) \notin R_3$

$\Rightarrow R_3$  is not reflexive

Now,  $(1,3) \in R_3$  but  $(3,1) \notin R_3$

$\Rightarrow R_3$  is not symmetric

Again, It is clear that  $R_3$  is transitive



### Relations Ex 1.1 Q5.

(i)  $aRb$  if  $a-b > 0$

Let  $R$  be the set of real numbers.

Reflexivity: Let  $a \in R$

$$\Rightarrow a - a = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, a) \notin R$$

$\therefore R$  is not reflexive

Symmetric: Let  $aRb$

$$\Rightarrow a - b > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b - a < 0$$

$$\therefore b \not R a$$

$\therefore R$  is not Symmetric

Transitive: Let  $aRb$  and  $bRc$

$$\Rightarrow a - b > 0 \text{ and } b - c > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a - c > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow aRc$$

$\therefore R$  is Transitive

**Relations Ex 1.1 Q5(ii)**

We have,  $aRb$  iff  $1 + ab > 0$

Let  $R$  be the set of real numbers

Reflexive: Let  $a \in R$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + a^2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow aRa$$

$$\Rightarrow R \text{ is reflexive}$$

Symmetric: Let  $aRb$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + ab > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + ba > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow bRa$$

$$\Rightarrow R \text{ is symmetric}$$

Transitive: Let  $aRb$  and  $bRc$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + ab > 0 \text{ and } 1 + bc > 0$$

$$\nRightarrow 1 + ac > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow R \text{ is not transitive}$$

**Relations Ex 1.1 Q5(iii)**

We have,  $aRb$  if  $|a| \leq b$

Reflexivity: Let  $a \in R$

$$\Rightarrow |a| \leq a \quad [ \because \quad |-2| = 2 > -2 ]$$

$$\Rightarrow R \text{ is not reflexive}$$

Symmetric: Let  $aRb$

$$\Rightarrow |a| \leq b$$

$$\nRightarrow |b| \leq a \quad [ \because \quad \text{Let } a = 4, b = 6 ]$$

$$|4| \leq 6 \text{ but } |6| > 4 ]$$

$$\Rightarrow R \text{ is not symmetric}$$

Transitive: Let  $aRb$  and  $bRc$

$$\Rightarrow |a| \leq b \text{ and } |b| \leq c$$

$$\Rightarrow |a| \leq |b| \leq c$$

$$\Rightarrow |a| \leq c$$

$$\Rightarrow aRc$$

$$\Rightarrow R \text{ is transitive}$$

**Relations Ex 1.1 Q6.**

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .

A relation  $R$  is defined on set  $A$  as:

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

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

We find  $(a, a) \notin R$ , where  $a \in A$ .

For instance,  $(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5), (6, 6) \notin R$

Therefore,  $R$  is not reflexive.

It can be observed that  $(1, 2) \in R$ , but  $(2, 1) \notin R$ .

Therefore,  $R$  is not symmetric.

Now,  $(1, 2), (2, 3) \in R$

But,  $(1, 3) \notin R$

Therefore,  $R$  is not transitive

Hence,  $R$  is neither reflexive, nor symmetric, nor transitive.

**Relations Ex 1.1 Q7.**

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

It is observed that  $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \notin R$  as  $\frac{1}{2} > \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{8}$ .

Therefore,  $R$  is not reflexive.

Now,  $(1, 2) \in R$  (as  $1 < 2^3 = 8$ )

But,  $(2, 1) \notin R$  (as  $2^3 > 1$ )

Therefore,  $R$  is not symmetric.

We have

$$\left(3, \frac{3}{2}\right), \left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{6}{5}\right) \in R \text{ as } 3 < \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 \text{ and } \frac{3}{2} < \left(\frac{6}{5}\right)^3.$$

$$\text{But } \left(3, \frac{6}{5}\right) \notin R \text{ as } 3 > \left(\frac{6}{5}\right)^3.$$

Therefore,  $R$  is not transitive.

Hence,  $R$  is neither reflexive, nor symmetric, nor transitive.

**Relations Ex 1.1 Q8**

Let  $A$  be a set.

Then  $I_A = \{(a, a) ; a \in A\}$  is the identity relation on  $A$ .

Hence, every identity relation on a set is reflexive by definition.

Converse:

Let  $A = \{(a, b, c)\}$  be a set.

Let  $R = \{(a, a)(b, b)(c, c)(a, b)\}$  be a relation defined on  $A$ .

Clearly  $R$  is reflexive on set  $A$ , but it is not identity relation on set  $A$  as  $(a, b) \in R$

Hence, a reflexive relation need not be identity relation.

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q9

We have,  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

(i)  $R = \{(1, 1) (2, 2) (3, 3) (4, 4) (1, 2)\}$  is a relation on set  $A$  which is reflexive, transitive but not symmetric

(ii)  $R = \{(2, 3) (3, 2)\}$  is a relation on set  $A$  which is symmetric but neither reflexive nor transitive

(iii)  $R = \{(1, 1) (2, 2) (3, 3) (4, 4) (1, 2) (2, 1)\}$  is a relation on set  $A$  which is reflexive, symmetric and transitive

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q10

We have,  $R = \{(x, y); x, y \in N, 2x + y = 41\}$

Then Domain of  $R$  is  $x \in N$ , such that

$$2x + y = 41$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{41 - y}{2}$$

Since  $y \in N$ , largest value that  $x$  can take corresponds to the smallest value that  $y$  can take.

$$\therefore x = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 20\}$$

Range of  $R$  is  $y \in N$  such that

$$2x + y = 41$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 41 - 2x$$

Since,  $x = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 20\}$

$$\therefore y = \{39, 37, 35, 33, \dots, 7, 5, 3, 1\}$$

Since,  $(2, 2) \notin R$ ,  $R$  is not reflexive.

Also, since  $(1, 39) \in R$  but  $(39, 1) \notin R$ ,  $R$  is not symmetric.

Finally, since,  $(15, 11) \in R$  and  $(11, 19) \in R$  but  $(15, 19) \notin R$

$\therefore R$  is not transitive.

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q11

No, it is not necessary that a relation which is symmetric and transitive is reflexive as well.

For Example,

Let  $A = \{a, b, c\}$  be a set and

$R_2 = \{(a, a)\}$  is a relation defined on  $A$ .

Clearly,

$R_2$  is symmetric and transitive but not reflexive.

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q12

It is given that an integer  $m$  is said to be relative to another integer  $n$  if  $m$  is a multiple of  $n$ .

In other words

$$R = \{(m, n); m = kn, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Reflexivity: Let,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\Rightarrow m = 1 \cdot m$$

$$\Rightarrow (m, m) \in R$$

$\therefore R$  is reflexive

Transitive: Let  $(a, b) \in R$  and  $(b, c) \in R$

$$\Rightarrow a = kb \quad \text{and} \quad b = k'c$$

$$\Rightarrow a = kk'c \quad [\because kk' \in \mathbb{Z}]$$

$$\Rightarrow a = lc \quad [\because l = kk' \in \mathbb{Z}]$$

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

$\therefore R$  is transitive

Symmetric: Let  $(a, b) \in R$

$$\Rightarrow a = kb$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{1}{k}a \quad \text{but } \frac{1}{k} \notin \mathbb{Z} \text{ if } k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\therefore (b, a) \notin R$$

$\therefore R$  is not symmetric

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q13

We have,

relation  $R = " \geq "$  on the set  $R$  of all real numbers

Reflexivity: Let  $a \in R$

$$\Rightarrow a \geq a$$

$\Rightarrow " \geq "$  is reflexive

Symmetric: Let  $a, b \in R$

such that  $a \geq b \not\Rightarrow b \geq a$

$\therefore " \geq "$  not symmetric

Transitivity: Let  $a, b, c \in R$

and  $a \geq b$  &  $b \geq c$

$$\Rightarrow a \geq c$$

$\Rightarrow " \geq "$  is transitive

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q14

(i) Let  $A = \{4, 6, 8\}$ .

Define a relation  $R$  on  $A$  as:

$$A = \{(4, 4), (6, 6), (8, 8), (4, 6), (6, 4), (6, 8), (8, 6)\}$$

Relation  $R$  is reflexive since for every  $a \in A$ ,  $(a, a) \in R$  i.e.,  $(4, 4), (6, 6), (8, 8) \in R$ .

Relation  $R$  is symmetric since  $(a, b) \in R \Rightarrow (b, a) \in R$  for all  $a, b \in R$ .

Relation  $R$  is not transitive since  $(4, 6), (6, 8) \in R$ , but  $(4, 8) \notin R$ .

Hence, relation  $R$  is reflexive and symmetric but not transitive.

(ii) Define a relation  $R$  in  $\mathbf{R}$  as:

$$R = \{a, b\}: a^3 \geq b^3\}$$

Clearly  $(a, a) \in R$  as  $a^3 = a^3$ .

$$a = a.$$

Therefore,  $R$  is reflexive.

Now,  $(2, 1) \in R$  (as  $2^3 \geq 1^3$ )

But,  $(1, 2) \notin R$  (as  $1^3 < 2^3$ )

Therefore,  $R$  is not symmetric.

Now, Let  $(a, b), (b, c) \in R$ .

$$\Rightarrow a^3 \geq b^3 \text{ and } b^3 \geq c^3$$

$$\Rightarrow a^3 \geq c^3$$

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

Therefore,  $R$  is transitive.

Hence, relation  $R$  is reflexive and transitive but not symmetric.

Hence, relation  $R$  is transitive but not reflexive and symmetric.

(iv) Let  $A = \{5, 6, 7\}$ .

Define a relation  $R$  on  $A$  as  $R = \{(5, 6), (6, 5)\}$ .

Relation  $R$  is not reflexive as  $(5, 5), (6, 6), (7, 7) \notin R$ .

Now, as  $(5, 6) \in R$  and also  $(6, 5) \in R$ ,  $R$  is symmetric.

$$\Rightarrow (5, 6), (6, 5) \in R, \text{ but } (5, 5) \notin R$$

Therefore,  $R$  is not transitive.

Hence, relation  $R$  is symmetric but not reflexive or transitive.

(v) Consider a relation  $R$  in  $\mathbf{R}$  defined as:

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

For any  $a \in \mathbf{R}$ , we have  $(a, a) \notin R$  since  $a$  cannot be strictly less than  $a$  itself. In fact,  $a = a$ .

Therefore,  $R$  is not reflexive.

Now,  $(1, 2) \in R$  (as  $1 < 2$ )

But,  $2$  is not less than  $1$ .

Therefore,  $(2, 1) \notin R$

Therefore,  $R$  is not symmetric.

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

$$\Rightarrow a < b \text{ and } b < c$$

$$\Rightarrow a < c$$

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

Therefore,  $R$  is transitive.

Hence, relation  $R$  is transitive but not reflexive and symmetric.

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q15

We have,

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\} \text{ and } R = \{(1,2)(2,3)\}$$

Now,

To make  $R$  reflexive, we will add  $(1,1)(2,2)$  and  $(3,3)$  to get

$$\therefore R' = \{(1,2)(2,3)(1,1)(2,2)(3,3)\} \text{ is reflexive}$$

Again to make  $R'$  symmetric we shall add  $(3,2)$  and  $(2,1)$

$$\therefore R'' = \{(1,2)(2,3)(1,1)(2,2)(3,3)(3,2)(2,1)\} \text{ is reflexive and symmetric}$$

Now,

To make  $R''$  transitive we shall add  $(1,3)$  and  $(3,1)$

$$\therefore R''' = \{(1,2)(2,3)(1,1)(2,2)(3,3)(3,2)(2,1)(1,3)(3,1)\}$$

$\therefore R'''$  is reflexive, symmetric and transitive

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q16

We have,  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $R = \{(1,2)(1,1)(2,3)\}$

To make  $R$  transitive we shall add  $(1,3)$  only.

$$\therefore R' = \{(1,2)(1,1)(2,3)(1,3)\}$$

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q17

A relation  $R$  in  $A$  is said to be reflexive if  $aRa$  for all  $a \in A$

$R$  is said to be transitive if  $aRb$  and  $bRc \Rightarrow aRc$

for all  $a, b, c \in A$ .

Hence for  $R$  to be reflexive  $(b, b)$  and  $(c, c)$  must be there in the set  $R$ .

Also for  $R$  to be transitive  $(a, c)$  must be in  $R$  because  $(a, b) \in R$  and  $(b, c) \in R$  so  $(a, c)$  must be in  $R$ .

So at least 3 ordered pairs must be added for  $R$  to be reflexive and transitive.

### Relations Ex 1.1 Q18

A relation  $R$  in  $A$  is said to be reflexive if  $aRa$  for all  $a \in A$ ,  $R$  is symmetric if  $aRb \Rightarrow bRa$ , for all  $a, b \in A$  and it is said to be transitive if  $aRb$  and  $bRc \Rightarrow aRc$  for all  $a, b, c \in A$ .

•  $x > y, x, y \in \mathbb{N}$

$$(x, y) \in \{(2, 1), (3, 1), \dots, (3, 2), (4, 2), \dots\}$$

This is not reflexive as  $(1, 1), (2, 2), \dots$  are absent.

This is not symmetric as  $(2, 1)$  is present but  $(1, 2)$  is absent.

This is transitive as  $(3, 2) \in R$  and  $(2, 1) \in R$  also  $(3, 1) \in R$ , similarly this property satisfies all cases.

•  $x + y = 10, x, y \in \mathbb{N}$

$$(x, y) \in \{(1, 9), (9, 1), (2, 8), (8, 2), (3, 7), (7, 3), (4, 6), (6, 4), (5, 5)\}$$

This is not reflexive as  $(1, 1), (2, 2), \dots$  are absent.

This only follows the condition of symmetric set as  $(1, 9) \in R$  also  $(9, 1) \in R$  similarly other cases are also satisfy the condition.

This is not transitive because  $\{(1, 9), (9, 1)\} \in R$  but  $(1, 1)$  is absent.

•  $xy$  is square of an integer,  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$

$$(x, y) \in \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (4, 1), (1, 4), (3, 3), (9, 1), (1, 9), (4, 4), (2, 8), (8, 2), (16, 1), (1, 16), \dots\}$$

This is reflexive as  $(1, 1), (2, 2), \dots$  are present.

This is also symmetric because if  $aRb \Rightarrow bRa$ , for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ .

This is transitive also because if  $aRb$  and  $bRc \Rightarrow aRc$  for all  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$ .

•  $x + 4y = 10, x, y \in \mathbb{N}$

$$(x, y) \in \{(6, 1), (2, 2)\}$$

This is not reflexive as  $(1, 1), (2, 2), \dots$  are absent.

This is not symmetric because  $(6, 1) \in R$  but  $(1, 6)$  is absent.

This is not transitive as there are only two elements in the set having no element common.