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Abstract Algebra 01



2nd series of exercises: Sets and binary relations, equivalence and order (Tutorials) 2024/2025

Exercise 01

1/Describe the following sets using Roster method:

$$A = \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \mid n \in \{3, 4, 5, 6\} \right\} \quad B = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x = x + 1\}$$

2/ Let A and B be sets. Show that

$$a) A \cap (B \setminus A) = \emptyset \quad b) A \cup (B \setminus A) = A \cup B \quad c) \mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B) \iff A \subseteq B.$$

Exercise 02 : (De Morgan laws)

Show that:

$$a) (A \cup B)^c = (A^c \cap B^c)$$

$$b) (A \cap B)^c = (A^c \cup B^c)$$

Exercise 03:

Let E be a set and A, B and C powersets of E .

a) Give the definition of $A \Delta B$.

b) We assume that $A \Delta B = A \Delta C$, establish that $B \subset C$. (Check the two cases $x \in A$ and $x \notin A$).

Exercise 04:

Let \mathcal{R} be the relation defined on \mathbb{R} by:

$$x \mathcal{R} y \iff x^2 - y^2 = x - y$$

1) Show that \mathcal{R} is an equivalence relation.

2) What are the equivalence classes of a given real x , as well as $cl(0)$.

Exercise 05:

Let E be a finite set, show if the following relation is reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive?

$$\forall A, B \in \mathcal{P}(E), A \mathcal{R} B \iff x \in A \cap B^c$$

Exercise 06:

Let \mathcal{R} be the relation defined on \mathbb{R}^2 by:

$$(x, y)\mathcal{R}(x', y') \Leftrightarrow |x - x'| \leq y' - y$$

Show that \mathcal{R} is an order relation.

Exercise 07:

Let \mathcal{R} be a relation defined on \mathbb{R} by : $\forall(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2, x\mathcal{R}y \iff \cos^2(x) + \sin^2(y) = 1$.

- 1) Prove that \mathcal{R} is an equivalence relation on \mathbb{R} .
- 2) Find the equivalence class of 0.

Exercise 08:

Let \mathcal{R} be a relation defined on \mathbb{N} by : $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}, n\mathcal{R}m \iff m \text{ divide } n$.

Prove that \mathcal{R} is a partial order relation on \mathbb{N} .



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2nd series of exercises: Functions (Tutorials) 2024/2025)

Exercise 01:

For $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $x \mapsto x^2 + 1$, find each of the following :

1/ $f^{-1}([-1, 1])$ and $f^{-1}([0, 10])$

2/ $f([-1, 1])$ and $f([1, 3])$

Exercise 02:

Is the following functions injectives, surjectives, bijectives ?

1) $f : [0, +\infty[\rightarrow [1, +\infty[$

$x \mapsto f(x) = 3x^2 + 4x + 1.$

2) $g : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$x \mapsto g(x) = \sqrt{1 - x^2}.$

Exercise 03:

We consider the following function :

$g :]-\infty, 0[\rightarrow]1, +\infty[$

$x \mapsto g(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{x^2}.$

1. Show that g is bijective.

2. Find g^{-1} .

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$$g :]-\infty, 0[\longrightarrow]1, +\infty[$$
$$x \mapsto g(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{x^2}.$$

1. Show that g is bijective.
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