

# Relations Tutorial Problems

## 1. Constructing a concrete relation

Construct a relation  $R$  on the set  $\{1, 2, 3\}$  such that all the following are true:

- $1R2$
- $R$  is symmetric
- $R$  is transitive
- $R$  is not an equivalence relation

*(You are constructing just one relation which satisfies all four conditions, not a separate relation for each condition. You can specify the relation however you want: a diagram with arrows, a table of related pairs, etc.)*

## 2. Discussion manual problems

Do the following problems from the discussion manual:

- 4.2 parts (a) and (b)
- 4.3 part (a), except you do not need to prove the relation is an equivalence relation.
- 4.3 part (b)

## 3. Abstract relation proof

Let  $R$  and  $S$  be symmetric relations on some set  $A$ . Define a relation  $\sim$  on  $A$  such that  $x \sim y$  if and only if  $xRy$  and  $\neg(xSy)$ . Prove that  $\sim$  is symmetric.