Definitions about Relations

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(p. 197) A binary *relation* R from X to Y is a subset of X × Y. X and Y are the *domains* of R.
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(p. 202) The *image* of an element $a \in X$ under a relation R from X to Y is defined as

$$\mathcal{I}_R(a) = \{ b \in Y \mid (a, b) \in R \}$$

(p. 202) The *image* of a set $A \subseteq X$ under a relation R from X to Y is defined as

$$\mathcal{I}_R(A) = \{ b \in Y \mid \exists \ a \in A \mid (a, b) \in R \}$$

(p. 202) The *inverse* of a relation R from X to Y is the relation

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

(p. 203) The *composition* of a relation R from X to Y and a relation S from Y to Z is the relation

$$S \circ R = \{(a, c) \in X \times Z \mid \exists b \in Y \mid (a, b) \in R \land (b, c) \in S\}$$

(p. 205, ex. 5.3.9) The *identity relation* on a set X is defined as

$$i_x = (x, x) \mid x \in X$$