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# ON A MODIFICATION OF AXIOMS OF GENERAL RELATIONS 

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Abstract. Basic concepts concerning binary and ternary relations are extended to relations of arbitrary arities and then investigated.

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## 0. Introduction

The relations dealt with in the paper are considered in the general sense as systems of maps. More precisely, by a relation we understand a subset $R \subseteq G^{H}$, where $G, H$ are sets and $G^{H}$ denotes the set of all maps of $H$ into $G . G$ and $H$ are called the carrier and the index set of $R$, respectively. Relations with well-ordered index sets, the so-called relations of type $\alpha$, are studied in [8], while relations with general index sets are studied in [9], [10], [5], [6] and [11]. In this paper, the fundamental concepts concerning binary and ternary relations are extended to general relations and discussed.

We denote by $\mathbb{N}$ the set of all positive integers, for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we denote $(n]=$ $\{m \in \mathbb{N} ; m \leqslant n\}$. In the case of a finite set $H$ of cardinality $k$ we will not distinguish between maps of the set $H$ into the set $G$ and $k$-tuples of elements of the set $G$. For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we denote by $S_{n}$ the set of all permutations of the set ( $n$ ]; id denotes the identical permutation of the set $(n]$.

For any map $f: H \rightarrow G$ and any subset $K \subseteq H$, we denote by $\left.f\right|_{K}$ the restriction of $f$ to $K$. The abbreviation w.r.t. will be written instead of the phrase "with respect to".

## 1. Operations with relations

1.1. Definition. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $H$ be a set. Then the pair $\mathcal{K}=\left(\left\{K_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n+1}\right.$, $\left\{\varphi_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n-1}$ ) is called an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$ if $\left\{K_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n+1}$ is a sequence of $n+1$ sets satisfying
(1) $\bigcup_{i=1}^{n+1} K_{i}=H$,
(2) $K_{i} \cap K_{j}=\emptyset$ for all $i, j \in(n+1], i \neq j$,
(3) card $K_{i}=$ card $K_{j}$ for all $i, j \in(n]$, and $\left\{\varphi_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n-1}$ is a sequence of $n-1$ bijections such that $\varphi_{i}: K_{i} \rightarrow K_{i+1}$ for all $i \in(n-1]$.
1.2. Remark. The concept of an $n$-decomposition is used here and in [5] in different meanings.
1.3. Definition. Let $G, H$ be sets, let $\mathcal{K}=\left(\left\{K_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n+1},\left\{\varphi_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n-1}\right)$ be an $n$ decomposition of the set $H$. Then the relation

$$
E_{\mathcal{K}}=\left\{f \in G^{H} ;\left.f\right|_{K_{i}}=\left.f\right|_{K_{i+1}} \circ \varphi_{i} \quad \text { for all } i \in(n-1]\right\}
$$

is called the diagonal w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.
1.4. Remark. Let $\mathcal{K}=\left(\left\{K_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n+1},\left\{\varphi_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n-1}\right)$ be an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. If $K_{n+1}=H$ or $n=1$, then, obviously, $E_{\mathcal{K}}=G^{H}$.
1.5. Definition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, let $\mathcal{K}=\left(\left\{K_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n+1},\left\{\varphi_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n-1}\right)$ be an $n$-decomposition of the set $H, \psi \in S_{n}$. Then we define the relation $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi} \subseteq G^{H}$ by $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}=\left\{f \in G^{H} ; \exists g \in R:\right.$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left.f\right|_{K_{i}} & =\left.g\right|_{K_{i}} \text { if } i \in(n], i=\psi(i) \text { or } i=n+1, \\
\left.f\right|_{K_{i}} & =\left.g\right|_{K_{\psi(i)}} \circ \varphi_{\psi(i)-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{i}, \\
\left.g\right|_{K_{i}} & =\left.f\right|_{K_{\psi(i)}} \circ \varphi_{\psi(i)-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{i} \quad \text { if } \quad i \in(n], i<\psi(i), \\
\left.f\right|_{K_{\psi(i)}} & =\left.g\right|_{K_{i}} \circ \varphi_{i-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{\psi(i)}, \\
\left.g\right|_{K_{\psi(i)}} & \left.=\left.f\right|_{K_{i}} \circ \varphi_{i-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{\psi(i)} \quad \text { if } \quad i \in(n], i>\psi(i)\right\} .
\end{aligned}
$$

Then $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}$ is called the $(\mathcal{K}, \psi)$-modification of the relation $R$.
1.6. Remark. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, let $\mathcal{K}=\left(\left\{K_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n+1},\left\{\varphi_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n-1}\right)$ be an $n$-decomposition of the set $H, \psi \in S_{n}$. Clearly, then
(1) $R_{\mathcal{K}, \mathrm{id}}=R$,
(2) $\emptyset_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}=\emptyset$.
1.7. Example. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $H=\{1,2\}$ (i.e. $R$ is binary), $\mathcal{K}=\left(\left\{K_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{3},\left\{\varphi_{1}\right\}\right), K_{1}=\{1\}, K_{2}=\{2\}$, let $\psi$ be the permutation of the set (2] defined by $\psi(1)=2, \psi(2)=1$. Then $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}=R^{-1}$. Hence, in this case, the $(\mathcal{K}, \psi)$-modification of a binary relation coincides with its standard inverse.
1.8. Definition. Let $R_{1}, \ldots, R_{n} \subseteq G^{H}$ be relations, $\mathcal{K}=\left(\left\{K_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n+1},\left\{\varphi_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n-1}\right)$ be an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. Then we define the relation $\left(R_{1} \ldots R_{n}\right)_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq G^{H}$ by $\left(R_{1} \ldots R_{n}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}=\left\{f \in G^{H} ; \exists f_{i} \in R_{i} \quad\right.$ for all $\quad i \in(n]$ such that

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left.f\right|_{K_{i}}=\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{i}} \text { for all } \quad i \in(n], \\
& \left.f\right|_{K_{n+1}}=\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{n+1}} \text { for all } i \in(n], \\
& \left.\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{j}} \circ \varphi_{j-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{i}=\left.f_{j}\right|_{K_{i}} \text { for all } i, j \in(n], i<j\right\} .
\end{aligned}
$$

$\left(R_{1} \ldots R_{n}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}$ is called the composition of $R_{1}, \ldots, R_{n}$ w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.
1.9. Definition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, let $\mathcal{K}$ be an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. Then we put $R_{\mathcal{K}}{ }^{1}=R, R_{\mathcal{K}}{ }^{2}=(R \ldots R)_{\mathcal{K}}, R_{\mathcal{K}}{ }^{m}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}{ }^{m-1} R \ldots R\right)_{\mathcal{K}} \cup$ $\left(R R_{\mathcal{K}}{ }^{m-1} R \ldots R\right)_{\mathcal{K}} \cup \ldots \cup\left(R \ldots R R_{\mathcal{K}}{ }^{m-1}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}$ for any $m \in \mathbb{N}, m \geqslant 3 . R_{\mathcal{K}}^{m}$ is called the $m$-th power of $R$ w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.
1.10. Example. Let $R_{1}, R_{2} \subseteq G^{H}$ be relations, $H=\{1,2\}$ (i.e. $R_{1}, R_{2}$ are binary $), \mathcal{K}=\left(\left\{K_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{3},\left\{\varphi_{1}\right\}\right), K_{1}=\{1\}, K_{2}=\{2\}$. Then $\left(R_{1} R_{2}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}=R_{1} R_{2}$. Hence, in this case, the composition w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ coincides with the standard composition of binary relations.
1.11. Remark. Let $R_{1}, \ldots, R_{n} \subseteq G^{H}$ be relations, let $\mathcal{K}=\left(\left\{K_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n+1},\{\varphi\}_{i=1}^{n-1}\right)$ be an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. If $K_{n+1}=H,\left(R_{1} \ldots R_{n}\right)_{\mathcal{K}} \neq \emptyset$, then, evidently, there exists an $f \in \bigcap_{i=1}^{n} R_{i}$.
1.12. Notation. Let $H$ be a set, let $\mathcal{K}=\left(\left\{K_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n+1},\left\{\varphi_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n-1}\right)$ be an $n$ decomposition of the set $H$. Then $\mathcal{K}^{*}=\left(\left\{K_{i}^{*}\right\}_{i=1}^{n+1},\left\{\varphi_{i}^{*}\right\}_{i=1}^{n-1}\right)$ is the $n$-decomposition of the set $H$ defined by

$$
\begin{gathered}
K_{i}^{*}= \begin{cases}K_{i+1} & \text { for all } i \in(n-1] \\
K_{1} & \text { for } \quad i=n, \\
K_{n+1} & \text { for } i=n+1,\end{cases} \\
\varphi_{i}^{*}= \begin{cases}\varphi_{i+1} & \text { for all } i \in(n-2], \\
\varphi_{1}^{-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{n-1}^{-1} & \text { for } i=n-1 .\end{cases}
\end{gathered}
$$

Further, for any $\psi \in S_{n}, \psi^{*}$ denotes the permutation of ( $n$ ] defined by

$$
\psi^{*}(i)= \begin{cases}\psi(i+1)-1 & \text { if } \quad i \in(n-1], \psi(i+1) \neq 1 \\ \psi(1)-1 & \text { if } \quad i=n, \psi(1) \neq 1 \\ n & \text { otherwise }\end{cases}
$$

1.13. Proposition. Let $R, R_{1}, \ldots, R_{n} \subseteq G^{H}$ be relations, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of $H$, let $\psi \in S_{n}, m \in \mathbb{N}$. Then
(1) $\mathcal{K} \underbrace{* \ldots *}_{n \text { times }}=\mathcal{K}$.
(2) $E_{\mathcal{K}}=E_{\mathcal{K}^{*}}$.
(3) $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}=R_{\mathcal{K}^{*}, \psi^{*}}$.
(4) $\left(R_{1} \ldots R_{n}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}=\left(R_{2} \ldots R_{n} R_{1}\right)_{\mathcal{K}^{*}}$.
(5) $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{m}=R_{\mathcal{K}^{*}}^{m}$.

Proof is obvious.
1.14. Definition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, let $\mathcal{K}$ be an $n$-decomposition of the set $H, \psi \in S_{n}$. Then we put $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{1}=R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}, R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{m}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{m-1}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}$ for any $m \in \mathbb{N}, m \geqslant 2$.
1.15. Remark. If $R \subseteq G^{H}$ is a relation, $\mathcal{K}=\left(\left\{\mathcal{K}_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n+1},\left\{\varphi_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n-1}\right)$ an $n$ decomposition of the set $H, \psi, \chi \in S_{n}$, then $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \chi}=R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi^{\circ} \chi}$ need not hold in general.

If, for example, $n=3, K_{1}=\{1,2\}, K_{2}=\{3,4\}, K_{3}=\{5,6\}, K_{4}=\emptyset, G=$ $\{x, y, z\}, \varphi_{1}(1)=3, \varphi_{1}(2)=4, \varphi_{2}(3)=5, \varphi_{2}(4)=6, \psi(1)=1, \psi(2)=3$, $\psi(3)=2, \chi(1)=2, \chi(2)=3, \chi(3)=1, R=\{(x, y, z, x, y, z)\}$, then $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}=$ $\{(x, y, y, z, z, x)\},\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \chi}=\emptyset$, while $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi \circ \chi}=\{(y, z, z, x, x, y)\}$.
1.16. Proposition. Let $J$ be a nonempty set, let $R, R_{1}, \ldots, R_{1}, R_{n}^{\prime}, \ldots, R_{n}^{\prime}, T, T_{j}$ for all $j \in J$ be relations with the carrier $G$ and the index set $H$. Let $\mathcal{K}$ be an $n$ decomposition of the set $H, \psi \in S_{n}$. Let $k \in(n], m \in \mathbb{N}$. Then
(1) $E_{\mathcal{K}}=\left(E_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}=\left(E_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{2}$.
(2) $\left(E_{\mathcal{K}} \ldots E_{\mathcal{K}} R E_{\mathcal{K}} \ldots E_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq R$.
$\uparrow k$-th place
(3) If $R \subseteq E_{\mathcal{K}}$, then (2) becomes the equality.
(4) $R \subseteq T$ implies $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi} \subseteq T_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}$.
(5) $\left(\bigcup_{j \in J} T_{j}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}=\bigcup_{j \in J}\left(T_{j}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}$.
(6) $\left(\bigcap_{j \in J} T_{j}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}=\bigcap_{j \in J}\left(T_{j}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}$.
(7) $R_{i} \subseteq R_{i}^{\prime}$ for all $i \in(n]$ imply $\left(R_{1} \ldots R_{n}\right)_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq\left(R_{1}^{\prime} \ldots R_{n}^{\prime}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}$.
(8) $R \subseteq T$ implies $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{m} \subseteq T_{\mathcal{K}}^{m}$.

Proof. The assertions follow directly from the definitions of the operations. For example, let us prove (2) and (3). Suppose that $\mathcal{K}=\left(\left\{\mathcal{K}_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n+1},\left\{\varphi_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n-1}\right)$.
(2) Let $f \in\left(E_{\mathcal{K}} \ldots E_{\mathcal{K}} R E_{\mathcal{K}} \ldots E_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}$. Then there exist $f_{i} \in E_{\mathcal{K}}$ for all $i \in(n], i \neq$ $\uparrow k$-th place
$k$, and an $f_{k} \in R$ such that

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left.f\right|_{K_{i}}=\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{i}} \text { for all } i \in(n], \\
& \left.f\right|_{K_{n+1}}=\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{n+1}} \text { for all } i \in(n], \\
& \left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{j}} \circ \varphi_{j-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{i}=\left.f_{j}\right|_{K_{i}} \text { for all } i, j \in(n], i<j .
\end{aligned}
$$

We have $\left.f\right|_{K_{k}}=\left.f_{k}\right|_{K_{k}},\left.f\right|_{K_{n+1}}=\left.f_{k}\right|_{K_{n+1}}$. Let $i \in(n], i<k$. Then $\left.f\right|_{K_{i}}=\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{i}}=$ $\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{k}} \circ \varphi_{k-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{i}=\left.f_{k}\right|_{K_{i}}$. Let $i \in(n], i>k$. Then $\left.f\right|_{K_{i}}=\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{i}}$, hence $\left.f\right|_{K_{i}} \circ \varphi_{i-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{k}=\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{i}} \circ \varphi_{i-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{k}=\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{k}}=\left.f_{k}\right|_{K_{i}} \circ \varphi_{i-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{k}$. Thus, again, $\left.f\right|_{K_{i}}=\left.f_{k}\right|_{K_{i}}$. We obtain $f=f_{k} \in R$.
(3) Let $f \in R \subseteq E_{\mathcal{K}}$. Put $f_{k}=f,\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{i}}=\left.f\right|_{K_{i}},\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{n+1}}=\left.f\right|_{K_{n+1}}$ for all $i \in(n]$. Further, put

$$
\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{j}}=\left\{\begin{array}{lll}
\left.f\right|_{K_{i}} \circ \varphi_{i-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{j} & \text { for all } & i, j \in(n], i>j, \\
\left.f\right|_{K_{i}} \circ \varphi_{i}^{-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{j-1}^{-1} & \text { for all } & i, j \in(n], i<j .
\end{array}\right.
$$

Then $f_{i} \in E_{\mathcal{K}}$ for all $i \in(n]$ and $f_{k} \in R$. For any $i, j \in(n], i<j$, we have

$$
\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{j}} \circ \varphi_{j-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{i}=\left.f\right|_{K_{i}}=\left.f\right|_{K_{j}} \circ \varphi_{j-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{i}=\left.f_{j}\right|_{K_{i}},
$$

so that

$$
f \in\left(E_{\mathcal{K}} \ldots E_{\mathcal{K}} R E_{\mathcal{K}} \ldots E_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}} .
$$

1.17. Remark. In 1.16, part (2), the inclusion cannot be replaced by the equality unless $R \subseteq E_{\mathcal{K}}$. If, for example, $n=3, K_{1}=\{1,2\}, K_{2}=\{3,4\}, K_{3}=\{5,6\}, K_{4}=$ $\emptyset, G=\{x, y\}, \varphi_{1}(1)=3, \varphi_{1}(2)=4, \varphi_{2}(3)=5, \varphi_{2}(4)=6, R=\{(x, x, x, x, y, x)\}$, then $(x, x, x, x, y, x) \notin\left(E_{\mathcal{K}} R E_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}$.
1.18. Definition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$, let $\psi \in S_{n}$ be the permutation defined by

$$
\pi(i)= \begin{cases}i+1 & \text { for all } \quad i \in(n-1] \\ 1 & \text { for } \quad i=n\end{cases}
$$

Then we define ${ }^{1} R_{\mathcal{K}}=R_{\mathcal{K}, \pi},{ }^{m} R_{\mathcal{K}}={ }^{1}\left({ }^{m-1} R_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}$ for any $m \in \mathbb{N}, m \geqslant 2 .{ }^{m} R_{\mathcal{K}}$ is called the $m$-th cyclic transposition of $R$ w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.
1.19. Proposition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. Then
(1) ${ }^{1} R_{\mathcal{K}}={ }^{1} R_{\mathcal{K}^{*}}$.
(2) $E_{\mathcal{K}}={ }^{1}\left(E_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}$.

Proof. (1) follows from the fact that $\pi^{*}=\pi$. (2) follows from 1.16 (1).
1.20. Proposition. Let $J$ be a nonempty set, $R, T, T_{j}$ for all $j \in J$ relations with the carrier $G$ and the index set $H$. Let $\mathcal{K}$ be an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. Then
(1) $R \subseteq T$ implies ${ }^{1} R_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq{ }^{1} T_{\mathcal{K}}$.
(2) ${ }^{1}\left(\bigcup_{j \in J} T_{j}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}=\bigcup_{j \in J}^{1}\left(T_{j}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}$.
(3) ${ }^{1}\left(\bigcap_{j \in J} T_{j}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}=\bigcap_{j \in J}^{1}\left(T_{j}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}$.

Proof. The assertions follow from 1.16 (4), (5), and (6).

## 2. Properties of relations

2.1. Definition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}=\left(\left\{K_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n+1},\left\{\varphi_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n-1}\right)$ an $n$ decomposition of the set $H, \psi \in S_{n}$. Then $R$ is called
(1) reflexive (irreflexive) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ if $E_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq R\left(R \cap E_{\mathcal{K}}=\emptyset\right)$,
(2) symmetric (assymmetric, antisymmetric) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and $\psi$ if $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi} \subseteq R(R \cap$ $\left.R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}=\emptyset, R \cap R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi} \subseteq E_{\mathcal{K}}\right)$,
(3) transitive (atransitive) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ if $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{2} \subseteq R\left(R \cap R_{\mathcal{K}}^{m}=\emptyset\right.$ for any $\left.m \in \mathbb{N}, m \geqslant 2\right)$,
(4) complete w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ if $f \in G^{H},\left.f\right|_{K_{i}} \neq\left. f\right|_{K_{j}} \circ \varphi_{j-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{i}$ for all $i, j \in(n], i<j$ imply the existence of a $\chi \in S_{n}$ such that $f \in R_{\mathcal{K}, \chi}$.
2.2. Proposition. Let $J$ be a nonempty set, $j_{0} \in J$. Let $R, R_{1}, \ldots, R_{n}, T_{j}$ for all $j \in J$ be relations with the carrier $G$ and the index set $H$. Let $\mathcal{K}$ be an $n$-decomposition of the set $H, \psi \in S_{n}$. Then
(1) If $T_{j_{0}}$ is reflexive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then $\bigcup_{j \in J} T_{j}$ is reflexive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.
(2) If $R, R_{1}, \ldots, R_{n}$ and $T_{j}$ for all $j \in J$ are reflexive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then $\bigcap_{j \in J} T_{j}, R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}$ and $\left(R_{1} \ldots R_{n}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}$ are reflexive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.
(3) If $R$ and $T_{j}$ for all $j \in J$ are irreflexive (symmetric) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ (and $\psi$ ), then $\bigcup_{j \in J} T_{j}, \bigcap_{j \in J} T_{j}$ and $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}$ have the same property.
(4) If $T_{j}$ for all $j \in J$ are transitive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then $\bigcap_{j \in J} T_{j}$ is transitive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.
(5) If $T_{j_{0}}$ is atransitive (assymmetric, antisymmetric) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ (and $\psi$ ), then $\bigcap_{j \in J} T_{j}$ has the same property.
(6) If $R$ is asymmetric (antisymmetric) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and $\psi$, then $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}$ has the same property.
(7) If $T_{j_{0}}$ is complete w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then $\bigcup_{j \in J} T_{j}$ is complete w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.

Proof. The assertion (1) is evident, the others follow from 1.6 (2), 1.16 (1), (4)-(6), and (8).
2.3. Remark. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of $H$, let $\psi \in S_{n}$. It can be easily obtained from 2.2 (3) by induction that if $R$ is symmetric w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and $\psi$, then $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{m+1} \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{m}$ for any $m \in \mathbb{N}$.
2.4. Proposition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$, let $\psi \in S_{n}$. Then:
(1) If $R$ is reflexive (irreflexive, transitive, atransitive, complete) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then it has the same property w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}^{*}$.
(2) If $R$ is symmetric (asymmetric, antisymmetric) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and $\psi$, then it has the same property w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}^{*}$ and $\psi^{*}$.

Proof. The assertions follow from 1.13 (2), (3), and (5).
2.5. Definition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. Then $R$ is called
(1) cyclic (acyclic, anticyclic) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ if it is symmetric (asymmetric, antisymmetric) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and $\pi$,
(2) symmetric (asymmetric, antisymmetric) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ if it is symmetric w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and $\psi$ for any $\psi \in S_{n}$ (asymmetric, antisymmetric w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and $\psi$ for any odd permutation $\left.\psi \in S_{n}\right)$.
2.6. Proposition. Let $J$ be a nonempty set, $j_{0} \in J$. Let $R, T_{j}$ for all $j \in J$ be relations with the carrier $G$ and the index set $H$. Let $\mathcal{K}$ be an $n$-decomposition of the set $H, \psi \in S_{n}$. Then:
(1) If $R$ and $T_{j}$ for all $j \in J$ are cyclic w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then $\bigcup_{j \in J} T_{j}, \bigcap_{j \in J} T_{j}$ and ${ }^{1} R_{\mathcal{K}}$ are cyclic w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.
(2) If $T_{j}$ for all $j \in J$ are symmetric w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then $\bigcup_{j \in J} T_{j}$ and $\bigcap_{j \in J} T_{j}$ are symmetric w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.
(3) If $R$ and $T_{j_{0}}$ are acyclic (anticyclic) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then $\bigcap_{j \in J} T_{j}$ and ${ }^{1} R_{\mathcal{K}}$ have the same property.
(4) If $T_{j_{0}}$ is asymmetric (antisymmetric) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then $\bigcap_{j \in J} T_{j}$ has the same property.
(5) If $R$ is complete w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then ${ }^{1} R_{\mathcal{K}}$ is complete w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.

Proof. The assertions follow from 2.2 (3), (5), and (6).
2.7. Remark. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. Putting $\psi=\pi$ in 2.3 , we obtain that if $R$ is cyclic w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then ${ }^{m+1} R_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq{ }^{m} R_{\mathcal{K}}$ for any $m \in \mathbb{N}$.
2.8. Proposition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. If $R$ has any of the properties defined in 2.5 w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then it has the same property w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}^{*}$.

Proof. The proposition follows from 2.4 (2) and from the facts that $\pi^{*}=\pi$ and $\left\{\psi^{*} ; \psi \in S_{n}\right\}=S_{n}$.

## 3. Hulls of relations

3.1. Definition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$, $\psi \in S_{n}$. Let $(p)$ be any of the properties defined in 2.1 or 2.5 . A relation $Q \subseteq G^{H}$ is called the $(p)$-hull of $R$ w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}($ and $\psi)$ if
(1) $R \subseteq Q$,
(2) $Q$ has the property $(p)$,
(3) if $T \subseteq G^{H}$ is any relation having the property $(p)$ and such that $R \subseteq T$, then $Q \subseteq T$.
3.2. Remark. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$, $\psi \in S_{n}$. Let $(p)$ be any of the properties defined in 2.1 or 2.5 . Obviously, then $R$ has the property $(p)$ w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}($ and $\psi)$ if and only if the $(p)$-hull $Q$ of $R$ w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ (and $\psi)$ exists and $R=Q$.
3.3. Proposition. Let $R, T \subseteq G^{H}$ be relations, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H, \psi \in S_{n}$. Let $(p)$ be any of the properties defined in 2.1 or $2.5, R_{\mathcal{K}(, \psi)}^{(p)}\left(T_{\mathcal{K}(, \psi)}^{(p)}\right)$ the $(p)$-hull of $R(T)$ w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ (and $\psi$ ). Then $R \subseteq T$ implies $R_{\mathcal{K}(, \psi)}^{(p)} \subseteq T_{\mathcal{K}(, \psi)}^{(p)}$.

Proof. Let $R \subseteq T$. We have $T \subseteq T_{\mathcal{K}(, \psi)}^{(p)}$. Thus $R \subseteq T_{\mathcal{K}(, \psi)}^{(p)}$. As $T_{\mathcal{K}(, \psi)}^{(p)}$ has the property $(p)$, we obtain $R_{\mathcal{K}(, \psi)}^{(p)} \subseteq T_{\mathcal{K}(, \psi)}^{(p)}$.
3.4. Definition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. Then we define ${ }_{1} R_{\mathcal{K}}=R,{ }_{m} R_{\mathcal{K}}={ }_{m-1} R_{\mathcal{K}} \cup\left({ }_{m-1} R_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{2}$ for any $m \in \mathbb{N}, m \geqslant 2$.
3.5. Remark. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. Clearly, then ${ }_{m} R_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq{ }_{m+1} R_{\mathcal{K}}$ for any $m \in \mathbb{N}$.
3.6. Proposition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. Let $\psi \in S_{n}$. Then the following relations exist:
(1) the reflexive hull $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$ of $R$ w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and we have $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}=R \cup E_{\mathcal{K}}$,
(2) the symmetric hull $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}$ of $R$ w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and $\psi$ and we have $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}=R \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{i}$,
(3) the transitive hull $R^{(t)}$ of $R$ w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and we have $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}=\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty}{ }_{i} R_{\mathcal{K}}$.

Proof. (1) is evident.
(2) Put $Q=R \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{i}$. Clearly, then $R \subseteq Q$. We have $Q_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}=(R \cup$ $\left.\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{i}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}=R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi} \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{i+1}=\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{i} \subseteq Q$ by 1.16 (5) and $Q$ is symmetric w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and $\psi$. Further, let $T \subseteq G^{H}$ be symmetric w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and $\psi$ and let $R \subseteq T$. By virtue of 1.16 (4) and using induction we obtain $Q=R \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{i} \subseteq T \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} T_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{i} \subseteq T$ due to 2.3.
(3) Put $Q=\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty}{ }_{i} R_{\mathcal{K}}$. Clearly $R={ }_{1} R_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq Q$. Let $f \in Q_{\mathcal{K}}^{2}$. Then there exists an $f_{i} \in Q$ for each $i \in(n]$ such that $\left.f\right|_{K_{i}}=\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{i}}$ for each $i \in(n],\left.f\right|_{K_{n+1}}=\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{n+1}}$ for each $i \in(n],\left.f_{i}\right|_{K_{j}} \circ \varphi_{j-1} \circ \ldots \circ \varphi_{i}=\left.f_{j}\right|_{K_{i}}$ for each $i, j \in(n], i<j$. For each $i \in(n]$ there exists a $j_{i} \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f_{i} \in{ }_{j_{i}} R_{\mathcal{K}}$. Hence it follows that $f \in\left({ }_{j_{1}} R_{\mathcal{K}} \cdots j_{n} R_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}$. Denote $j_{0}=\max \left\{j_{1}, \ldots, j_{n}\right\}$. By 3.5, we have $j_{i} R_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq_{j_{0}} R_{\mathcal{K}}$ for all $i \in(n]$. By 1.16 (7), $f \in\left({ }_{j_{0}} R_{\mathcal{K}} \cdots j_{0} R_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}={ }_{j_{0}} R_{\mathcal{K}}^{2} \subseteq{ }_{j_{0}+1} R_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty}{ }_{i} R_{\mathcal{K}}=Q$. Thus $Q_{\mathcal{K}}^{2} \subseteq Q$ and $Q$ is transitive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$. Let $T \subseteq G^{H}$ be transitive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and such that $R \subseteq T$. It is easy to prove by induction that ${ }_{i} R_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq T$ for any $i \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence $Q=\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty}{ }_{i} R_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} T=T$ and we have $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}=Q$.
3.7. Proposition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H, \psi \in S_{n}$. Then:
(1) If $R$ is complete (symmetric, antisymmetric) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ (and $\psi$ ), then $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$ has the same property.
(2) If $n \leqslant 2$ and $R$ is transitive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$ is transitive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.
(3) If $R$ is reflexive (irreflexive, complete) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then $R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}$ has the same property.
(4) If $R$ is reflexive (complete) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}$ has the same property.

Proof. (1) follows from 1.16 (1), (5), 2.2 (3), (7), and 3.6 (1).
(2) Let $n \leqslant 2$ and let $R$ be transitive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$. Then $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{2} \subseteq R$. The case of $n=1$ is trivial. Let $n=2$. Let $f \in\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{2}=\left(R \cup E_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{2}$ (by 3.6 (1)). Then there exist
$f_{1}, f_{2} \in R \cup E_{\mathcal{K}}$ such that $\left.f\right|_{K_{1}}=\left.f_{1}\right|_{K_{1}},\left.f\right|_{K_{2}}=\left.f_{2}\right|_{K_{2}},\left.f\right|_{K_{3}}=\left.f_{1}\right|_{K_{3}}=\left.f_{2}\right|_{K_{3}},\left.f_{1}\right|_{K_{2}} \circ$ $\varphi_{1}=\left.f_{2}\right|_{K_{1}}$. If $f_{1}, f_{2} \in R$, then $f \in(R R)_{\mathcal{K}}=R_{\mathcal{K}}^{2} \subseteq R \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$. If $f_{1}, f_{2} \in E_{\mathcal{K}}$, then, by 1.16 (1), $f \in\left(E_{\mathcal{K}} E_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}=\left(E_{\mathcal{K}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{2}=E_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$. If $f_{1} \in R, f_{2} \in E_{\mathcal{K}}$, then $\left.f\right|_{K_{1}}=\left.f_{1}\right|_{K_{1}},\left.f\right|_{K_{2}}=\left.f_{2}\right|_{K_{2}}=\left.f_{2}\right|_{K_{1}} \circ \varphi_{1}^{-1}=\left.f_{1}\right|_{K_{2}},\left.f\right|_{K_{3}}=\left.f_{1}\right|_{K_{3}}$. Hence $f=f_{1} \in R \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$. The case of $f_{1} \in E_{\mathcal{K}}, f_{2} \in R$ is analogous. Thus $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{2} \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$ and $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$ is transitive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.
(3) and (4) follow from 1.14, 1.16 (1), (2), (4), (6), 3.1 (1), 3.4, and 3.6 (2), (3).
3.8. Corollary. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$, $\psi \in S_{n}$. Then
(1) $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$.
(2) $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)} \subseteq\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}$.
(3) If $n \leqslant 2$, then $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}$.

Proof. (1) As $R \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}$, we have, by 3.3, $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)} \subseteq\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$, and again by 3.3, $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)} \subseteq\left(\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}$. By $3.7(1),\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$ is symmetric w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and $\psi$, consequently, by 3.2, $\left(\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$. Thus $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)} \subseteq\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$. As $R \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$, we have, by $3.3, R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)} \subseteq\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}$, and again by $3.3,\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)} \subseteq$ $\left(\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$. By $3.7(3),\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}$ is reflexive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, consequently, by 3.2, $\left(\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}$. Thus $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)} \subseteq\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}$. Combining the two results, we obtain $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$.
(2) and (3) follow analogously from 3.3, 3.7 (4), (2), and 3.2.
3.9. Remark. The inclusion in 3.8 (2) cannot, in general, be replaced by equality. If, for example, $n=3, K_{1}=\{1,2\}, K_{2}=\{3,4\}, K_{3}=\{5,6\}, K_{4}=\emptyset$, $G=\{x, y\}, \varphi_{1}(1)=3, \varphi_{1}(2)=4, \varphi_{2}(3)=5, \varphi_{2}(4)=6, R=\{(x, y, x, x, x, y)$, $(x, y, x, y, y, x)\}$, then $(x, y, x, y, x, y) \in E_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)},(x, y, x, x, x, y) \in R \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$, $(x, y, x, y, y, x) \in R \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$, hence $(x, y, x, x, y, x) \in\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{2} \subseteq\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}$, but $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{2}=\emptyset$, consequently $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}=R$, and $(x, y, x, x, y, x) \notin R \cup E_{\mathcal{K}}=R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$.
3.10. Corollary. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. Then $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}=\left(\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}$.

Proof. Similarly as in the proof of 3.8 (1) we get $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)} \subseteq\left(\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}$. By $3.8(2),\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)} \subseteq\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}$, consequently, by 3.3 and 3.2 , $\left(\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)} \subseteq$ $\left(\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}$. Thus, $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}=\left(\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(t)}$.
3.11. Proposition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$. Then the following relations exist:
(1) the cyclic hull $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(c)}$ of $R$ w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and we have $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(c)}=R \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty}{ }^{i} R_{\mathcal{K}}$,
(2) the symmetric hull $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}$ of $R$ w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ and we have

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R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}=\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\psi_{1}, \psi_{2}, \ldots, \psi_{i} \in S_{n}}\left(\ldots\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{1}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{2}} \ldots\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{i}}
$$

Proof. (1) As $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(c)}=R_{\mathcal{K}, \pi}^{(s)}$, we have, by $3.6(2), R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(c)}=R \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} R_{\mathcal{K}, \pi}^{i}=$ $R \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty}{ }^{i} R_{\mathcal{K}}$.
(2) Put $Q=\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\psi_{1}, \psi_{2}, \ldots, \psi_{i} \in S_{n}}\left(\ldots\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{1}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{2}} \ldots\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{i}} . \quad$ By 1.6 (1), we have $R=R_{\mathcal{K}, \mathrm{id}} \subseteq Q$. Let $\xi \stackrel{\psi_{1}, \psi_{2},}{S_{n}}$.

By Proposition 1.16 (5), $Q_{\mathcal{K}, \xi}=\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\psi_{1}, \psi_{2}, \ldots, \psi_{i} \in S_{n}}\left(\ldots\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{1}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{2}} \ldots\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{i}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \xi}=$ $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\psi_{1}, \psi_{2}, \ldots, \psi_{i} \in S_{n}}\left(\left(\ldots\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{1}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{2}} \ldots\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{i}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \xi} \subseteq Q$, and $Q$ is symmetric w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$. Now, let $R \subseteq T$ where $T$ is symmetric w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$. Then, by 1.16 (4),

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\begin{aligned}
Q & =\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\psi_{1}, \psi_{2}, \ldots, \psi_{i} \in S_{n}}\left(\ldots\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{1}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{2}} \ldots\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{i}} \\
& \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\psi_{1}, \psi_{2}, \ldots, \psi_{i} \in S_{n}}\left(\ldots\left(T_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{1}}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{2}} \ldots\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi_{i}} \subseteq T
\end{aligned}
$$

Hence $Q$ is the symmetric hull of $R$ w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$.
3.12. Proposition. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, let $\mathcal{K}$ be an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$.
(1) If $R$ is reflexive (irreflexive, complete) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(c)}$ and $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}$ have the same property.
(2) If $R$ is symmetric (antisymmetric) w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, then $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$ has the same property.

Proof. Let $R$ be reflexive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$. Then $E_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq R$. But $R \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(c)}, R \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}$, hence $E_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq R^{(c)}, E_{\mathcal{K}} \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}$, and both $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(c)}$ and $R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}$ are reflexive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$. Let $R$ be irreflexive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$. By $2.2(3),{ }^{1} R_{\mathcal{K}}=R_{\mathcal{K}, \pi}$ is irreflexive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$. It follows by induction that ${ }^{i} R_{\mathcal{K}}$ is irreflexive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$. By $3.11(1), R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(c)}=\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty}{ }^{i} R_{\mathcal{K}}$. Hence, again by $2.2(3), R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(c)}$ is irreflexive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$. The other properties can be easily verified with the aid of $2.2(3), 3.11(2), 3.3(1)$, and 3.7 (1).
3.13. Corollary. Let $R \subseteq G^{H}$ be a relation, $\mathcal{K}$ an $n$-decomposition of the set $H$, $\psi \in S_{n}$. Then
(1) $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(c)}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(c)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$.
(2) $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}$.
(3) $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}, \psi}^{(s)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}=R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}$.
(4) $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(c)}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(c)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}=R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}$.

Proof. (1) follows from 3.8 (1) for $\psi=\pi$.
(2) As $R \subseteq R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$, we have, by $3.3, R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)} \subseteq\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}$, and again by $3.3,\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)} \subseteq$ $\left(\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$. By $\left.3.12(1), R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}$ is reflexive w.r.t. $\mathcal{K}$, consequently, by 3.2, $\left(\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}=\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}$. Thus $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)} \subseteq\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}$. Similarly, using 3.3, 3.12 (2) and 3.2, we obtain $\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)} \subseteq\left(R_{\mathcal{K}}^{(d)}\right)_{\mathcal{K}}^{(r)}$, which proves the assertion.
(3) follows from 3.3 and 3.2.
(4) is a special case of (3).

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