

Defn: [Boolean product] : Let  $A = [a_{ij}]$  be  $m \times n$

zero-one matrix,  $B = [b_{ij}]$  be  $k \times n$  zero-one matrix. Then Boolean product of  $A$  and  $B$  denoted by  $A \odot B$  is the  $m \times n$  matrix with  $(i, j)^{th}$  entry

$$c_{ij} = (a_{i1} \wedge b_{1j}) \vee (a_{i2} \wedge b_{2j}) \vee (a_{i3} \wedge b_{3j}) \vee \dots \vee (a_{ik} \wedge b_{kj})$$

Ex:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$ . Find  $A \odot B$

Ans:

$$A \odot B = \begin{bmatrix} (1 \wedge 1) \vee (0 \wedge 0) & (1 \wedge 1) \vee (0 \wedge 1) & (1 \wedge 0) \vee (0 \wedge 1) \\ (0 \wedge 1) \vee (1 \wedge 0) & (0 \wedge 1) \vee (1 \wedge 1) & (0 \wedge 0) \vee (1 \wedge 1) \\ (1 \wedge 1) \vee (0 \wedge 0) & (1 \wedge 1) \vee (0 \wedge 1) & (1 \wedge 0) \vee (0 \wedge 1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $A \odot A$

Defn: Given a set  $A$  and a relation  $R$  on  $A$ , we define the powers of  $R$  recursively by if  $R' = R$  and for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $R^{n+1} = R \circ R^n$

Ex: If  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and  $R = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 4), (3, 2)\}$  then

$$R^2 = \{(1, 4), (1, 2), (3, 4)\}, R^3 = \{(1, 4)\} \text{ and for } n \geq 4, \\ R^n = \emptyset$$

Ex1 Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and  $R = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 4), (3, 2)\}$ . Find  $M(R^2)$  (same as  $(M(R))^2$ )

$$M(R) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M(R^2) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

or

$$M(R^2) = M(R) \odot M(R) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \odot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Boolean product

$$= \begin{bmatrix} (0 \wedge 0) \vee (1 \wedge 0) \vee (1 \wedge 0) \vee (0 \wedge 0) & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & . & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & . & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & . & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

By  $(M(R))^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Note: Let  $A$  be a set with  $|A|=n$  and  $R$  be a relation on  $A$ . If  $M(R)$  is relation matrix for  $R$ , then

- a)  $M(R) = 0$  (the matrix of all 0's) iff  $R = \emptyset$
- b)  $M(R) = I$  (the matrix of all 1's) iff  $R = A \times A$
- c)  $M(R^m) = (M(R))^m$ , for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

Defn: Let  $A = [a_{ij}]$ ,  $B = [b_{ij}]$  be  $m \times n$  zero-one matrices. We say  $A \leq B$  if  $\forall i, j \ a_{ij} \leq b_{ij}$

ex:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Here  $A \leq B$  (since  $\forall i, j \ a_{ij} \leq b_{ij}$ )

Defn: For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $I_n = (I_{ij})_{n \times n}$  is zero-one matrix

$$\text{where } \delta_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

### Operations on Relations:

- 1) Union and intersection: let  $R_1, R_2$  be relations from set A to set B, the union of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  ( $R_1 \cup R_2$ ) is defined by  $(a, b) \in R_1 \cup R_2$  iff  $(a, b) \in R_1$ , or  $(a, b) \in R_2$ . The intersection of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  ( $R_1 \cap R_2$ ) is defined by  $(a, b) \in R_1 \cap R_2$  iff  $(a, b) \in R_1$ , and  $(a, b) \in R_2$ .
- 2) Complement of a relation: Given a relation R from A to B, the complement of R ( $\bar{R}$ ) is defined with the property that  $(a, b) \in \bar{R}$  iff  $(a, b) \notin R$ . In other words,  $\bar{R}$  is complement of R in universal set  $A \times B$ .
- 3) Inverse or converse of a relation ( $R^c$ ): let A be a relation from set A to set B, the converse of  $R^c$  defined with the property  $(a, b) \in R^c$  iff  $(b, a) \in R^c$

$$\text{ex: } A = \{1, 2, 3\}, B = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}. R_1 = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$$

$$\text{and } R_2 = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4)\}.$$

$$R_1 \cup R_2 = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4)\}$$

$$R_1 \cap R_2 = \{(1, 1)\}$$

$$\overline{R}_1 = (A \times B) - R_1$$

$$A \times B = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3), (3, 4)\}$$

$$\overline{R}_1 = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 1), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 4)\}$$

$$R_1 - R_2 = \{(2, 2), (3, 3)\}$$

$$R_2 - R_1 = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4)\} \quad (R_1 \cup R_2) - (R_1 \cap R_2)$$

$$R_1 \oplus R_2 = (R_1 - R_2) \cup (R_2 - R_1) = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4)\}$$

$\underbrace{\text{Symmetric}}$   
 $\text{difference}$

$$R_2^c = \{(1, 1), (2, 1), (3, 1), (4, 1)\}$$

## Representing relations using matrices

Defn: Given a set  $A$  with  $|A|=n$  and a relation  $R$  on  $A$ , let  $M(R)$  denote the relation matrix for  $R$ . Then

if  $R$  is reflexive iff  $m_{jj} = 1 \forall j$  or  $I_n \leq M(R)$   
 main diagonal entries are equal to 1

if  $R$  is symmetric iff  $m_{ij} = m_{ji} \forall i, j$  or  
 $M(R) = M(R^T)$  (symmetric matrix)

c)  $R$  is antisymmetric iff  $m_{ij} = 0$  or  $m_{ji} = 0$   
 when  $i \neq j$  or  $M(R) \cap M(R^T) \leq I_n$   
 meet of  $M(R)$  and  $M(R^T)$   
 (it has 1 in the position where both  $M(R)$  and  $M(R^T)$  has 1.)

ex:

$$M(R) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad M(R^T) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M(R) \cap M(R^T) = M(R) \wedge M(R^T) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \leq I_2$$

d)  $R$  is transitive iff  $M(R^2) \leq M$  [ $M_R^{[2]} \leq M$ ]

Ex: let  $R$  be a relation on  $A$ .

$$a) M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad b) M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c) M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

| Relation       | a)  | b)  | c)  |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Reflexive      | Yes | No  | Yes |
| Symmetric      | Yes | No  | No  |
| Anti-symmetric | No  | Yes | No  |
| Transitive     | Yes | Yes | No  |

$$a) M(R^2) =$$

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

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

$$M(R^2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \leq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

or

$$M(R) \circ M(R) = \boxed{\quad}$$

Ex: Let  $M(R) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find matrix representation of a)  $R^{-1}$  by  $\bar{R}$

Ans:  $R^{-1}$  is inverse of  $R$  its matrix representation is

$$M(R^T) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\bar{R}$  is complement of  $R$  its representation is

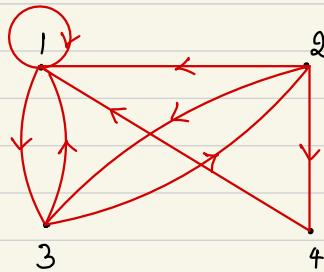
$$M(\bar{R}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

### Representing relations using digraphs

A directed graph or digraph consists of set  $V$  of vertices and set  $E$  of edges.  
Here,  $E = \{(a, b) \mid a, b \in V\}$

a is called initial vertex of edge  $(a, b)$ , b is called terminal vertex

ex: let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ . Let  $R$  be relation on  $A$  defined by  $R = \{(1, 1), (1, 3), (2, 1), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 1), (3, 2), (4, 1)\}$



A directed graph on R.

Various properties of relation can be determined using digraph.

- 1) A relation is reflexive iff there is a loop at every vertex of graph
- 2) Symmetric iff for every edge b/w 2 distinct vertices in its digraph there is an edge in opposite direction
- 3) Antisymmetric iff there are never 2 edges
- 4) Transitive iff there is an edge from vertex  $x$  to a vertex  $z$  whenever there is an edge from  $x$  to  $y$  and an edge from  $y$  to  $z$  (for some  $y$ )

Ex: Determine if the relations for directed graphs shown are reflexive, symmetric, antisymmetric, transitive

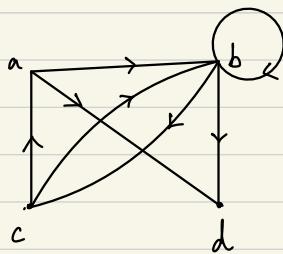


fig 1.

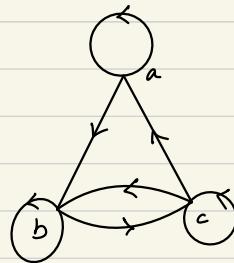


fig 2

| Property      | fig 1 | fig 2 |
|---------------|-------|-------|
| Reflexive     | No    | Yes   |
| Symmetric     | No    | No    |
| antisymmetric | No    | No    |
| transitive    | No    | No    |

$c R_a$ ,  $a R_d$   
but  $c \not R_d$

since  
 $(a, b) \in R$  and  $(b, c) \in R$ ,  
but  $(a, c) \notin R$

### Representing union and intersection of relations

If  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are relations on a set  $A$  represented by matrices  $M(R_1)$  and  $M(R_2)$  respectively.

If  $M_{R_1 \cup R_2}$  is the matrix representing the union of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , it has 1 in the position where either  $M_{R_1}$  or  $M_{R_2}$  has a 1.

If  $M_{R_1 \cap R_2}$  is the matrix representing the intersection of these relations, then it has 1 in the position where both  $M_{R_1}$  and  $M_{R_2}$  has a 1.

$$\therefore M_{R_1 \cup R_2} = M_{R_1} \vee M_{R_2} \quad (\text{Join of } M_{R_1} \text{ and } M_{R_2})$$

$$M_{R_1 \cap R_2} = M_{R_1} \wedge M_{R_2} \quad (\text{Meet of } M_{R_1} \text{ and } M_{R_2})$$

Ex:  $\boxed{?}$  the relations  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  on a set A  
are represented by the matrices

$$M_{R_1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad M_{R_2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

What are the matrices representing  $R_1 \cup R_2$  and  $R_1 \cap R_2$ ?

Ans:  $M(R_1 \cup R_2) = M(R_1) \vee M(R_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$M(R_1 \cap R_2) = M(R_1) \wedge M(R_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex. For a fixed integer  $n > 1$ , P.T. the relation "congruent modulo n" is an equivalence relation on set of all integers  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

Sol:  $a R b$  means  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ ,  $a-b$  is multiple of  $n$   
(This means  $n \mid (a-b)$  or  $a-b=kn$  for some

integer  $k$ ,  $a$  and  $b$  leave same remainder when divided by  $n$ ) ex:  $17 \equiv 5 \pmod{12}$

1) Reflexive : For every  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$a-a=0 \text{ is a multiple of } n$$
$$\Rightarrow a \equiv a \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow aRa$$

$\therefore R$  is reflexive

2) Symmetric :  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, aRb \Rightarrow a \equiv b \pmod{n}$

$$\Rightarrow (a-b) \text{ is a multiple of } n$$

$$\Rightarrow (b-a) \text{ is } -11-$$

$$\Rightarrow b \equiv a \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow bRa$$

$\therefore R$  is symmetric

3) Transitive :  $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$aRb \text{ and } bRc \Rightarrow a \equiv b \pmod{n} \text{ and } b \equiv c \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a-b) \text{ and } (b-c) \text{ are multiples of } n$$

$$\Rightarrow (a-b) + (b-c) = a-c \text{ is multiple of } n$$

$$\Rightarrow a \equiv c \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow aRc$$

$\therefore R$  is transitive

Hence  $R$  is an equivalence relation.

Ex: Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ . Define a relation  $R$  on  $A \times A$  by  $(x_1, y_1) R (x_2, y_2)$  iff  $x_1 + y_1 = x_2 + y_2$ .

Verify that  $R$  is an equivalence relation on  $A \times A$ .

## Closure of relations:

Let  $R$  be a relation of a set  $A$ , let  $P$  be some property (such as reflexive, symmetric, transitive) that  $R$  may or may not have. The relation  $S$  is said to be closure of  $R$  w.r.t  $P$  if  $S$  is the smallest relation with the property  $P$  with  $R \subseteq S$ .

Ex: Find reflexive closure, given  $R = \{(1,2), (2,3), (3,4)\}$  on set  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

Sol: Add all pairs  $(a, a)$  that are missing from  $R$   $\nabla a \in A$ .

$$\text{Reflexive closure of } R = R \cup \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (4,4)\}$$

$$= \{(1,1), (1,2), (2,2), (2,3), (3,3), (3,4), (4,4)\}$$

Ex: Find symmetric closure, given  $R = \{(1,2), (2,3), (1,3)\}$  on set  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ .

Sol: Add  $(b,a)$  for every  $(a,b)$  in  $R$  for symmetric closure.

$$S = R \cup \{(2,1), (3,2), (3,1)\} \xrightarrow{\text{R}^{-1}} = R \cup \bar{R}^1$$

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

Ex: Let  $A$  be set of all  $\mathbb{Z}^+$ .  $R = \{(a,b) \mid a < b\}$ .

Find its reflexive closure.

$$\text{Sol: } S = R \cup \{(a,a) \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$S = \{ (a, b) \mid a \leq b \}$$

Ex: Let  $A$  be set of all  $\mathbb{Z}^+$ .  $R = \{ (a, b) \mid a > b \}$   
Find symmetric closure.

Sol:

$$R^{-1} = \{ (a, b) \mid b > a \} \quad \text{a} \leftarrow b$$

$$S = \{ (a, b) \mid a > b \text{ or } a < b \} = \{ (a, b) \mid a \neq b \}$$

### Equivalence class

Let  $R$  be an equivalence relation on a set  $A$  and  $a \in A$ . The set of all those elements  $x$  of  $A$  which are related to  $a$  by  $R$  is called equivalence class of  $a$  w.r.t  $R$ . This equivalence class is denoted by  $R(a)$  or  $[a]$  or  $\bar{a}$  or  $[a]_R$ .

$$\text{i.e. } \bar{a} = [a] = \{ x \in A \mid (x, a) \in R \} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{or} \\ x \sim a \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} | \\ x \sim a \text{ means} \\ (x, a) \in R \end{array}$$

Ex: Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ ,  $R = \{ (a, b) \mid a+b \text{ is even} \}$

Find the equivalence class of all elements of  $A$ .

Sol: (Check that  $R$  is equivalence relation)

$$[1] = \{1, 3, 5\}, \quad [2] = \{2, 4\}, \quad [3] = \{1, 3, 5\}$$

$$[4] = \{2, 4\}, \quad [5] = \{1, 3, 5\}.$$

Equivalence class of elements 1, 3, 5 are same and

equivalence class of elements 2 and 4 are same.

Any element out of 1, 3 and 5 can be chosen as a representative of equivalence class  $\{1, 3, 5\}$ .  $\text{||| by}$  for equivalence class  $\{2, 4\}$

$$\therefore [1] = \{1, 3, 5\}, [2] = \{2, 4\}$$

Thm: Let R be an equivalence relation on a set A. The statements for elements a and b of A are equivalent.

$$1) aRb$$

$$2) [a] = [b]$$

$$3) [a] \cap [b] \neq \emptyset$$

Ex: Let m be an integer  $m > 1$ , S.T. the relation  $R = \{(a, b) \mid a \equiv b \pmod{m}\}$  is an equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Also find the equivalence class of 1 (consider  $m = 4$ ).

Sol.

$$[1] = \{x \mid x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}\}$$

$$= \{4k+1 \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$= \{\dots -3, \underset{k=-1}{\textcolor{blue}{1}}, \underset{k=0}{\textcolor{blue}{5}}, 9, 13, \dots\}$$

for  $k = -1, 0, \dots$

$$\text{||| by } [2] = \{x \mid x \equiv 2 \pmod{4}\}$$

$$= \{4k+2 \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{\dots -2, 2, 6, 10, \dots\}$$

$$[3] = \{ 4k+3 \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

$$[4] = \{ 4k \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \} = [0]$$

$$\begin{aligned}[5] &= \{ 4k+5 \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \} = \{ 4k+1 \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \} \\ &= [1] \end{aligned} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} 4k+4+1 \\ = 4(k+1)+1 \\ = 4k'+1 \end{array} \right.$$

$$[6] = [2]$$

Observe:  $\mathbb{Z} = \{-4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= [1] \cup [2] \cup [3] \cup [4] \xrightarrow{\text{union covers all of } A} \bigcup_{a \in A} [a] = A \\ \text{Also, } [1] \cap [2] &= \emptyset, [3] \cap [4] = \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

$$[2] \cap [3] = \emptyset, [1] \cap [4] = \emptyset \quad \xrightarrow{\text{pairwise disjoint}}$$

(Each equivalence class is like a 'piece' of the set)

### Partition of a set :

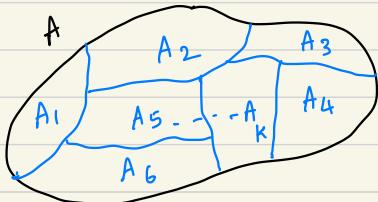
Let  $A$  be a non-empty set. Suppose there exists non empty subsets  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k$  of  $A$  such that the following 2 conditions hold

i)  $A$  is the union of  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k$   
i.e.  $A = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_k$

$$A = \bigcup_{i=1}^k A_i$$

2) Any 2 of the subsets  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k$  are disjoint  
 i.e.  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$

Then the set  $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k\}$  is called partition of  $A$ . Also  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k$  are called the blocks or cells of partition.



Partition of set  $A$ .

Ex: let  $S = \{1, 2, 6, 7, 9, 11\}$ ,  $A_1 = \{1, 2\}$ ,  $A_2 = \{6\}$ ,  
 $A_3 = \{9, 11, 7\}$  be subsets of  $S$ .

Clearly  $A_1, A_2, A_3$  are disjoint subsets and

$$S = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3$$

Thus  $\{A_1, A_2, A_3\}$  is partition of  $S$ .

Thm: let  $R$  be an equivalence relation on a set  $S$ . Then the equivalence classes of  $R$  form a partition of  $S$ . Conversely, given a partition  $\{A_i | i \in I\}$  of set  $S$ , there is an equivalence relation  $R$  that has the sets  $A_i, i \in I$  as its equivalence classes.

WKT  $\bigcup_{a \in S} [a] = S$ , also 2 equivalence classes are equal or disjoint. Thus we say that equivalence classes Partition  $S$ .

Ex: Congruence modulo 4.

$$\mathbb{Z} = [0] \cup [1] \cup [2] \cup [3]$$

Ex: Let  $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ ,  $A_1 = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $A_2 = \{4, 5\}$

$A_3 = \{6\}$ . List the ordered pairs in equivalence relation  $R$ .

Sol:  $R = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 2), (2, 1), (2, 3), (3, 1), (3, 2),$

$(3, 3), (4, 4), (4, 5), (5, 4), (5, 5), (6, 6)\}$

Ex: Consider the set  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  and the equivalence relation  $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (4, 5), (5, 4), (5, 5)\}$  defined on  $A$ . Find the partition of  $A$  induced by  $R$ .

Sol.  $[1] = \{1\}, [2] = \{2, 3\}, [3] = \{2, 3\},$

$$[4] = \{4, 5\}, [5] = \{4, 5\}$$

From these equivalence classes only  $[1], [2], [4]$  are distinct.

$\therefore$  The partition  $P$  of  $A$  induced by  $R$  is

$$P = \{[1], [2], [4]\}$$

## Partial orders:

A relation  $R$  on set  $A$  is said to be a partial ordering relation or a partial order on  $A$  if

- i)  $R$  is reflexive
- ii)  $R$  is antisymmetric
- iii)  $R$  is transitive on  $A$ .

A set  $A$  together with a partial order  $R$  is called a partially ordered set or poset and is denoted by  $(A, R)$ .

not less than or equal to

Notation: Let  $R$  be a partial order on set  $A$ .

For  $a, b \in A$   $aRb$  is denoted by  $a \leq b$  and poset  $(A, R)$  is written as  $(A, \leq)$

symbol to denote relation in any poset

Defn: 2 elements  $a$  and  $b$  of a poset are called comparable iff either  $aRb$  or  $bRa$ .

or linearly ordered set

Defn: If  $(A, R)$  is a poset and every 2 elements are comparable then  $A$  is called total ordered set.

A total ordered set is also called chain.

Ex: The poset  $(\mathbb{Z}, \leq)$  is totally ordered.  
because  $a \leq b$  or  $b \leq a$  whenever  $a$  and  $b$  are integers.

Ex: Let  $R$  be a relation on set  $\mathbb{Z}^+$ ,

$$R = \{(a, b) : a | b\} \cdot \text{Is } \{\mathbb{Z}^+, |\} \text{ a poset?}$$

Ans: Yes (verify)

Is this poset totally ordered?

ans: No  $\because 5 \nmid 7$  &  $7 \nmid 5\}$

Hasse diagram: (Simpler graphical representation of digraph for partial order)

Procedure to construct Hasse diagram:

- 1) Write down all the ordered pairs which satisfy the relation R.
- 2) Each element is represented as a dot and all the edges are pointed upwards with no directions of edges. (smaller elements at bottom and larger ones at top)
- 3) Remove unnecessary edges or connections:  
Remove all loops and edges that appear due to transitivity.

Ex: Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12\}$ . The relation R defined on A by  $aRb$  iff a divides b. P.T. R is a partial order on A. Draw the Hasse diagram for this relation.

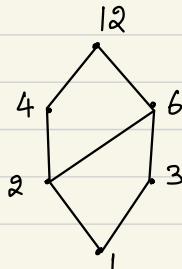
Sol:  $R = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (1, 6), (1, 12), (2, 2), (2, 4), (2, 6), (2, 12), (3, 3), (3, 6), (3, 12), (4, 4), (4, 12), (6, 6), (6, 12), (12, 12)\}$

a) Reflexive:  $\forall a \in A, (a, a) \in R$   
 $\therefore R$  is reflexive.

b) Antisymmetric: If  $a|b$  and  $b|a$  then  
 $a = b$  or  $a \nmid b$  and  $b \nmid a$   
If  $a \neq b$  then either  
 $\therefore R$  is antisymmetric

c) Transitive: For  $(a, b) \in R$  and  $(b, c) \in R$   
i.e. if  $a|b$  and  $b|c$  then  $a|c$  i.e.  
 $(a, c) \in R$   
 $\therefore R$  is transitive  
 $\therefore R$  is a partial order on A.

Hasse diagram



$$R = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 4), (2, 12), (3, 4), (3, 12)\}$$

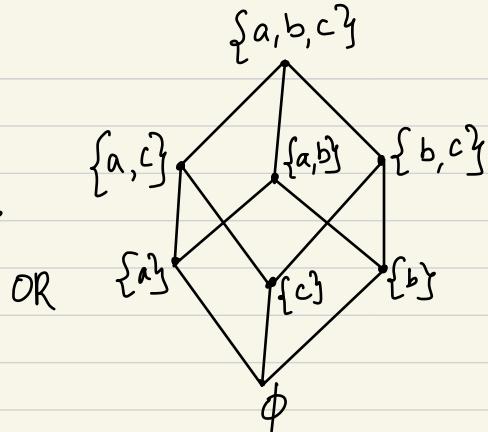
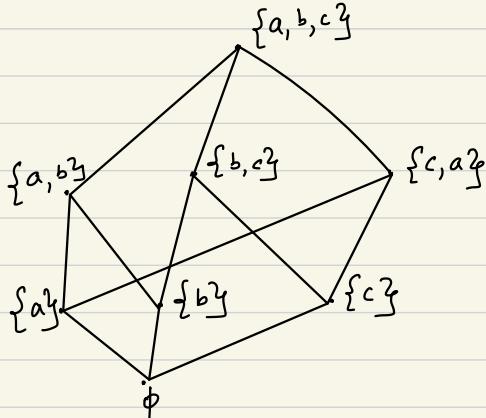
Ex: Draw the Hasse diagram for partial ordering  $\{ (A, B) \mid A \subseteq B \}$  on  $P(S)$  where

$$S = \{a, b, c\}$$

Sol:

$$P(S) = \{ \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{c, a\}, \{a, b, c\} \}$$

$$\{a, b, c\}$$



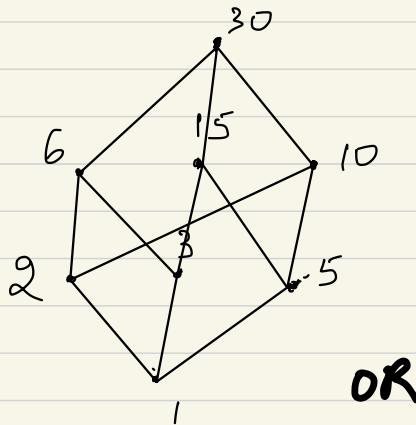
Ex:  $R$  be a relation on set  $A = \{2, 4, 5, 9, 12, 32\}$  and  $R = \{(a, b) \mid a \leq b\}$

Sol: Clearly  $(A, \leq)$  is a poset. In particular this is totally ordered.

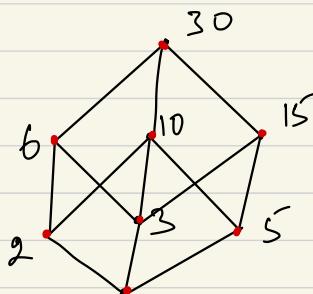


Ex: Consider the partial order of divisibility on set A. Draw the Hasse diagram for the poset and determine if the poset is totally ordered. Given  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 15, 30\}$

Sol:



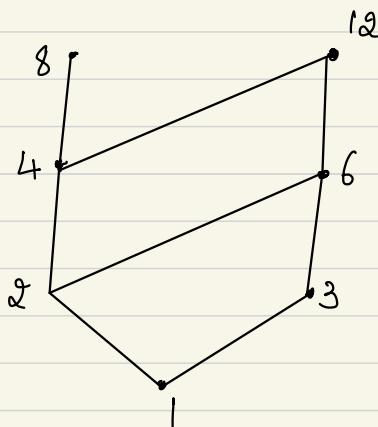
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Ex: Draw Hasse diagram representing the partial ordering  $\{(a, b) \mid a \text{ divides } b\}$

on  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12\}$

Sol:



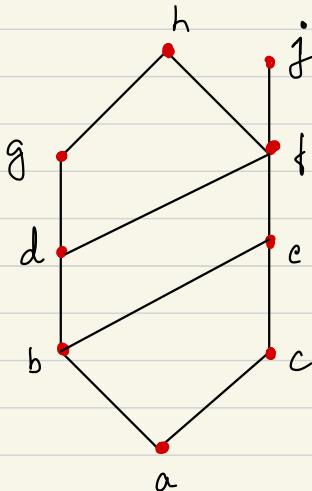
Defn: upper bound and lower bound

Let  $(S, R)$  be a poset such that  $S$  is an arbitrary set and  $R$  is a partial order defined on set  $S$ . Also, let  $T \subseteq S$ .

Lower bound: An element  $x \in S$  is a lower bound of set  $T$  if  $\forall y \in T (x, y) \in R$   
or  $x \leq y \quad \forall y \in T$

Upper bound: An element  $x \in S$  is an upper bound of set  $T$  if  $\forall y \in T (y, x) \in R$ .  
or  $x \geq y \quad \forall y \in T$

Ex: Find lower & upper bounds of subsets  $\{a, b, c\}$ ,  $\{j, h\}$  and  $\{a, c, d, f\}$  in the poset with Hasse diagram shown below:



b is not U.B as it is not related to c

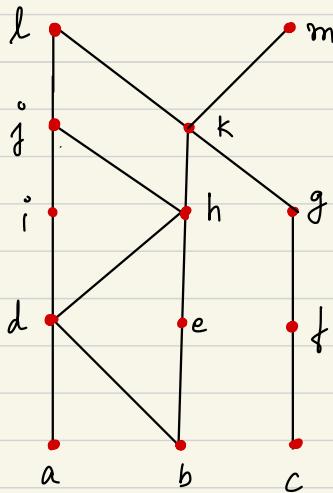
sol:

| Subsets          | lower bound        | upper bound                                |
|------------------|--------------------|--|
| $\{a, b, c\}$    | a                  | $e, f, j, h$<br>there is path from a, b, c |
| $\{j, h\}$       | $f, e, c, a, b, d$ | $\emptyset$                                |
| $\{a, c, d, f\}$ | a                  | $f, j, h$                                  |

① g is not U.B. of  $\{a, b, c\}$  as  $c \not R g$  and there is no path from c to g.  
Every element of subset must be related to g  
by d is not U.B.

②  $g$  is not lower bound since  
 $g$  is not related to  $j$ .

Ex: Find all upper bounds of  $\{a, b, c\}$  and  
all lower bounds of  $\{f, g, h\}$



upper bounds of  $\{a, b, c\} := k, l, m$

lower bounds of  $\{f, g, h\} := \emptyset$

Ex: Find all upper bounds of  $\{2, 9\}$   
and all lower bounds of  $\{60, 72\}$  for  
the poset  $(\{2, 4, 6, 9, 12, 18, 27, 36, 48, 60, 72\}, |)$

largest element  $\leq$  all elements in subset  
 $\rightarrow$  (highest element below all others)

Def: Greatest lower bound (glb) or infimum:

The element  $x$  is called glb of a subset  $A$  if

i)  $x$  is a lower bound of  $A$

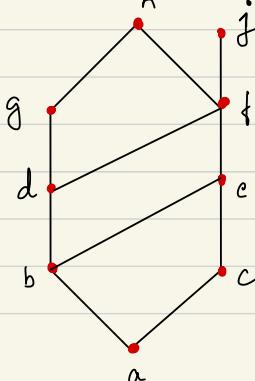
ii) if  $y$  is any other lower bound of  $A$ , then  $y \leq x$ .

Def: Least upper bound (lub) or supremum:  
The element  $x$  is called lub of subset  $A$  if

i)  $x$  is an upper bound of  $A$ .

ii) if  $y$  is any other upper bound of  $A$  then  $x \leq y$ .

Ex: Find glb and lub of  $\{b, d, g\}$  if they exist in the below poset



sol: lower bounds of  $\{b, d, g\}$  are  $b, a$ .

closest below  $\leftarrow \text{glb}$  is  $b$  ( $\because b > a$ )

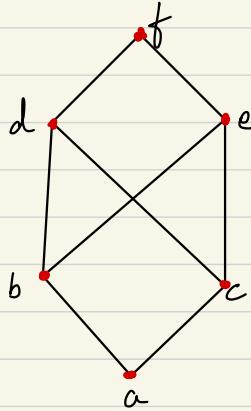
upper bounds of  $\{b, d, g\}$  are  $g, h$

lub is  $g$  ( $\because g < h$ )

$\downarrow$   
closest above

Ex: Find lub of  $\{b, c\}$

sol:



upper bounds of  $\{b, c\}$  are  $e, d, f$

but lub does not exist

Because  $d \not\leq e$  and  $e \not\leq d$