

## Relation $\rightarrow$

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be non empty set then any subset  $R$  of the Cartesian product  $A \times B$  is called a Relation from  $A$  to  $B$  and is denoted by  $R$ . Thus  $R$  is a Relation from  $A$  to  $B \Rightarrow R \subseteq A \times B$ .

$$R = \{(x, y) : x \in A, y \in B \text{ and } xRy\}$$

Ex  $\rightarrow$  Let  $A = \{1, 2, 5\}$  and  $B = \{2, 4\}$  be two given set. Now suppose a relation from the set  $A$  to  $B$  is expressed by statement is less than.

$$A \times B = \{(1, 2), (1, 4), (2, 2), (2, 4), (5, 2), (5, 4)\}$$

$R$  is the subset  $A \times B$  whose elements are related in the relation  $R$  is given by

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

$$R \subseteq A \times B$$

## Operation on Relation $\rightarrow$

### ① Complement of Relation $\rightarrow$

Consider a Relation  $R$  from set  $A$  to  $B$ . the Complement of relation  $R$  denoted by  $\bar{R}$  or  $R'$  is a relation from  $A$  to  $B$  such that

$$\bar{R} = \{(a, b) : (a, b) \notin R\}$$

Ex  $\rightarrow$  Let  $R$  be relation from  $X$  to  $Y$  where  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $Y = \{8, 9\}$  and  $R = \{(1, 8), (2, 8), (1, 9), (3, 9)\}$  find the complement of relation  $R$ .

Soln

we first find  $X \times Y = \{ (1,8), (1,9), (2,8), (2,9), (3,8), (3,9) \}$

Then Complement Relation  $\bar{R}$  of  $R$  is w.r.t  $X$ .

$$\bar{R} = \{ (2,9), (3,8) \}$$

Inverse Relation  $\rightarrow$  Let  $R$  be relation from

a set  $A$  to  $B$ . The inverse of Relation  $R^{-1}$  is a relation from  $B$  to  $A$  such that  $b R^{-1} a$

$$R^{-1} = \{ (b, a) : (a, b) \in R \}$$

Thus, to find  $R^{-1}$  we write in reverse order all order pair belonging to  $R$ .

Ex. Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and relation  $(R)$  is  $\leq$  on  $A$ . Determine its inverse

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

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

$\leftarrow$

$$R \cup S = \{ (x, y) : x R y \text{ or } x S y \}$$

$$R \cap S = \{ (x, y) : x R y \text{ or } x S y \}$$



## Properties of Relation:-

① Reflexive Relation:- A relation  $R$  on a set  $A$  is reflexive if  $a R a$  for every  $a \in A$ , that is

$$(a, a) \in R \quad \forall a \in A$$

~~ex:-~~ If  $R_1 = \{(1,1), (1,2)\}$

② Irreflexive Relation:- A relation  $R$  on a set  $A$  is irreflexive if, for every  $a \in A$ ,  $(a, a) \notin R$

the relation  $R_1 = \{(1,2), (1,3), (2,1), (2,3)\}$  on  $A = \{1,2,3\}$  is irreflexive since  $(x,x) \notin R_1$  for every  $x \in R_1$  (a set of real numbers)

③ ~~Non reflexive~~:-

④ Symmetric:- A relation  $R$  on a set  $A$  is symmetric if whenever  $(a,b) \in R$  then  $(b,a) \in R$  i.e. if  $a R b \Rightarrow b R a$

(a)  $R_1 = \{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (2,2), (2,1), (3,1)\}$  on  $A = \{1,2,3\}$  is a symmetric relation.

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Transitivity relation:- A Relation  $R$  on a set  $A$  is transitive if whenever  $(a, b) \in R$  and  $(b, c) \in R$  then  $(a, c) \in R$  i.e.

$$aRb \text{ and } bRc \Rightarrow aRc$$

R is a  
transitive relation

Property

Meaning

1. Reflexive

$$(a, a) \in R \text{ i.e. } aRa \text{ for all } a \in A$$

2. Irreflexive

$$(a, a) \notin R \text{ i.e. } a \not R a \text{ for all } a \in A$$

3. Symmetric

$$(a, b) \in R \Rightarrow (b, a) \in R \text{ i.e. } aRb \Rightarrow bRa \text{ for all } a, b \in A$$

4. Antisymmetric

$$(a, b) \in R \text{ and } (b, a) \in R \Rightarrow a = b \text{ for all } a, b \in A$$

5. Asymmetric

$$(a, b) \in R \Rightarrow (b, a) \notin R \text{ i.e. } aRb \Rightarrow b \not R a \text{ for all } a, b \in A$$

6. Transitivity

$$(a, b) \in R \text{ and } (b, c) \in R \Rightarrow (a, c) \in R \text{ i.e. } aRb \text{ and } bRc \Rightarrow aRc \text{ for all } a, b, c \in A$$

## Equivalence Relation -

A Relation  $R$  in a set  $A$  is said to be equivalence relation if  $R$  is reflexive, symmetric, transitive.

Ex Set  $A = \{ \text{set of line in a plan} \}$  and  $R$  is a relation

$$R = \{ (l_1, l_2) : l_1 \text{ is parallel to } l_2 \}$$

✓ Reflexive : for each  $l \in A$ ,  $(l, l) \in R$

✓ Symmetric : for every  $(l_1, l_2) \in R \Rightarrow (l_2, l_1) \in R$

✓ Transitive : if  $(l_1, l_2) \in R$  and  $(l_2, l_3) \in R$  where  $l_1, l_2 \in A$ ,

$$\Rightarrow (l_1, l_3) \in R \text{ where}$$

Since  $R$  is Reflexive, Symmetric and transitive, So Relation  $R$  is an

Equivalence Relation.



Composite Relation — Let  $A, B, C$  be sets. Let  $R$  be a relation from  $A$  to  $B$ , and let  $S$  be a relation from  $B$  to  $C$ . The composite of  $R$  and  $S$ , denoted by  $S \circ R$  is the relation from  $A$  to  $C$  given by

$$S \circ R = \{ (a, c) \in A \times C : (\exists b \in B) [(a, b) \in R \text{ and } (b, c) \in S] \}$$

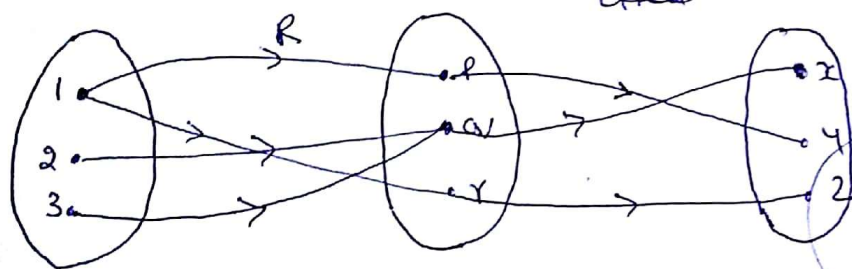
Let  $R$  be a relation on the set  $A$ .

Then  $R \circ R$  is composition of relation ~~itself is denoted~~ on ~~the set~~  $A$  with its self

$$R \circ R = R^2$$

$$R^3 = R^2 \circ R = R \circ R \circ R$$

Ex:- Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $B = \{p, q, r\}$  and  $C = \{x, y, z\}$



And let  $R = \{(1, p), (1, q), (2, q), (3, q), (3, r)\}$

and  $S = \{(p, x), (q, y), (r, z)\}$

Compute  $R \circ S = \{(1, x), (1, y), (2, y), (3, z)\}$

Theorem — Let  $R$  be a relation from

the set  $A$  to the set  $B$  and  $S$  be a relation from the set  $B$  to set  $C$  then

$$(S \circ R)^{-1} = R^{-1} \circ S^{-1}$$

Proof:-

$$\text{Let } (c, a) \in (SOR)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (c, a) \in (SOR)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, c) \in (SOR) \quad \forall a \in A, c \in C$$

there exist an element  $b \in B$  with  $(a, b) \in R$

$$\text{and } (b, c) \in S$$

$$(a, b) \in R \text{ and } (b, c) \in S \Rightarrow (b, a) \in R^{-1} \text{ and } (c, b) \in S^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (c, b) \in S^{-1} \text{ and } (b, a) \in R^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (c, a) \in R^{-1} \circ S^{-1}$$

$$(c, a) \in (SOR)^{-1}$$

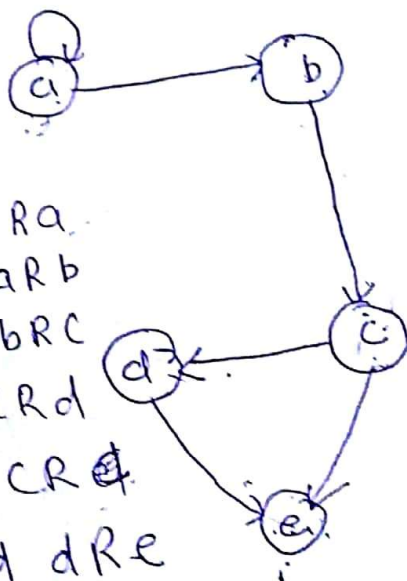
$$\Rightarrow (c, a) \in R^{-1} \circ S^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (SOR)^{-1} = R^{-1} \circ S^{-1}$$

Example 0 -

$$\text{Let } A = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$$

$$R = \{(a, a), (a, b), (b, c), (c, e), (c, d), (d, e)\}$$



$aR^2a = aRa$  and  $aRa$   
 $aR^2b = aRa$  and  $aRb$   
 $aR^2c = aRb$  and  $bRc$   
 $bR^2d = bRc$  and  $cRd$   
 $bR^2e = bRc$  and  $cRe$   
 $cR^2d = cRd$  and  $dRe$

$$R^2 = \{(a, a), (a, b), (a, c), (b, e), (b, d), (c, e)\}$$

$$\frac{(b) R^2 c = a e}{a e}$$

Q// given :  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ . Consider the following relation in  $A$ .

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

Soln:-

(i)  $R$  is not reflexive because  $3 \in A$  but  $3 \not R 3$ ,  
i.e.  $(3,3) \notin R$

(ii)  $R$  is not symmetric  $4 R 2$  but  $2 \not R 4$ , i.e.  
 $(4,2) \in R$  but  $(2,4) \notin R$

(iii)  $R$  is not transitivity because  $4 R 2$  and  $2 R 3$   
but  $4 \not R 3$ , i.e.  $(4,2) \in R$  and  $(2,3) \in R$  e

$R = \{(1,2), (2,3), (1,1), (2,2)\}$  on the same set  
 $A$  is anti symmetric but it is not reflexive  
because  $(3,3)$  is missing.

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