# **Discrete Mathematics**

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# **Foundational Logic and Proofs**

# **Propositional Logic**

Syllogism : A logical argument which relies on two or more propositions to come to a conclusion.

Proposition: A declarative sentence that can be definitively proved to be true or false.

## **Boolean Algebra**

Compound propositions were first discussed by English Mathematician George Boole.

Boolean Algebra is named after him

**Negation**: If P is a proposition, the negation of P is  $\neg P$ .

 $\neg P$  is true when P is false and vice versa.

Same as a NOT gate

P	$\neg P$
T	F
F	T

**Conjunction**: If P and Q are propositions, the conjunction of P and Q is  $P \wedge Q$ .  $P \wedge Q$  is true when BOTH P and Q is true.

Same as an AND gate

P	Q	$P \wedge Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	F

**Disjunction**: If P and Q are propositions, the disjunction of P and Q is  $P \vee Q$ .  $P \vee Q$  is true when either P and/or Q is true.

Same as an OR gate

P	Q	$P \lor Q$
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

**Exclusive or**: If P and Q are propositions, the *exclusive or* of P and Q is  $P \oplus Q$ .  $P \oplus Q$  is true exclusively when either P or Q is true, but false when both have the same value.

Same as XOR gate

P	Q	$P \oplus Q$
T	T	F
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

**Conditional Statements** : Denoted by  $P \to Q$  , false only when P is true and Q is false, and is true otherwise.

This might be confusing, giving an example will help:

If a proposition is "If it rains today, the ground will get wet", it is denoted by P o Q where,

P 
ightarrow "It's raining today"

 $Q \rightarrow$  "The ground got wet"

Possible scenarios:

- 1. It rained today (P is true), and the ground got wet (Q is true). As this supports the original proposition,  $P \rightarrow Q$  is true in this case.
- 2. It rained today (P is true), but the ground didn't get wet (Q is false). As this **contradicts** the original proposition,  $P \rightarrow Q$  is false in this situation.
- 3. It did not rain today (P is false), but the ground still got wet because of some other reason (Q is true). This statement does not **contradict** the original proposition,  $P \rightarrow Q$  is still true in this situation.
- 4. It did not rain today (P is false), and the ground did not get wet (Q is false). This supports the original proposition so  $P \to Q$  is true in this situation.

P	Q	P o Q	$\neg P \vee Q$
T	T	T	T

P	Q	P o Q	$\neg P \lor Q$
T	F	F	F
F	T	T	T
F	F	T	T

**Biconditional statement**: Denoted by  $P \leftrightarrow Q$ , true only when both P and Q have same values and false otherwise.

If  $P \leftrightarrow Q$  denotes the proposition "A shape is called a triangle only if it has three sides" where,

 $P \rightarrow$  "A shape is a triangle"

Q 
ightarrow "The shape has three sides"

Possible scenarios:

- 1. The shape is called a triangle (P is true), and it has three sides (Q is true). As this supports the original proposition,  $P \leftrightarrow Q$  is true here.
- 2. The shape is called a triangle (P is true), but it does not have three sides (Q is false). This contradicts the proposition which means  $P \leftrightarrow Q$  is false.
- 3. The shape is not called a triangle (P is false), but it has three sides (Q is true). This also contradicts the proposition which means  $P \leftrightarrow Q$  is false.
- 4. The shape is not called a triangle (P is false), and it does not have three sides(Q is false). This supports the original proposition which means  $P \leftrightarrow Q$  is true.

P	Q	$P \leftrightarrow Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T

### Converse, Contrapositive and Inverse:

If  $P \rightarrow Q$  is a proposition;

 $\bullet \ \ \mathsf{Converse} : Q \to P$ 

• Contrapositive :  $\neg Q \to \neg P$ 

• Inverse :  $\neg P \to \neg Q$ 

The contrapositive of a proposition is effectively the same thing as the original proposition.

#### Example:

Original proposition :  $P \rightarrow Q$ ; "If it is raining, the ground will get wet"

Contrapositive proposition :  $\neg Q \to \neg P$  ; "If the ground is not wet, it is not raining"

Converse proposition :  $Q \to P$  ; "If the ground is wet, it is raining"

Inverse proposition :  $\neg P \rightarrow \neg Q$ ; "If it is not raining, the ground will not get wet"

#### **Truth tables**

P	Q	$\neg P$	$\neg Q$	$P \wedge Q$	$P \lor Q$	$P\oplus Q$	P o Q	$P \leftrightarrow Q$
T	T	F	F	T	T	F	T	T
T	F	F	T	F	T	T	F	F
F	T	T	F	F	T	T	T	F
F	F	T	T	F	F	F	T	T

Practice: Find the truth table for  $(P \vee \neg Q) \to (P \wedge Q)$ 

P	Q	$\neg Q$	$P \lor \neg Q$	$P \wedge Q$	$(P ee  eg Q)  o (P \wedge Q)$
T	T	F	T	T	T
T	F	T	T	F	F
F	T	F	F	F	T
F	F	T	T	F	F

#### Operator precedence

Operator	Precedence
_	1
$\wedge$	2
V	3
$\rightarrow$	4
$\leftrightarrow$	5

### **Propositional Equivalence**

Tautology: A compound proposition that is always true and independent of the truth values of its constituent propositions

Contradictions : A compound proposition that is always false and independent of the truth values of its constituent propositions

Contingency: A compound proposition that is neither a tautology nor a contradiction.

### Logical Equivalence

When two compound propositions have the same truth values for all possible cases, they are logically equivalent. This is denoted by  $P \equiv Q$ .

If  $P \leftrightarrow Q$  is a tautology then  $P \equiv Q$ .

example:

P	Q	$\neg P$	P o Q	$\neg P \lor Q$
T	T	F	T	T
T	F	F	F	F
F	T	T	T	T
F	F	T	T	T

$$(P \rightarrow Q) \equiv (\neg P \lor Q)$$

De Morgan's Law is used to convert conjunctions to disjunctions and vice versa.

1. 
$$\neg (P \lor Q) \equiv \neg P \land \neg Q$$

2. 
$$\neg (P \land Q) \equiv \neg P \lor \neg Q$$

Similarly, for n propositional variables;

3. 
$$\neg (P_1 \lor P_2 \lor P_3 \ldots \lor P_n) \equiv \neg P_1 \land \neg P_2 \land \neg P_3 \ldots \land \neg P_n$$

4. 
$$\neg (P_1 \land P_2 \land P_3 \dots \lor P_n) \equiv \neg P_1 \lor \neg P_2 \lor \neg P_3 \dots \lor \neg P_n$$

#### Practice:

Prove  $(p \wedge q) o (p \vee q)$  is a tautology.

A tautology is always true.

$$egin{aligned} (p \wedge q) &
ightarrow (p ee q) \equiv 
egin{aligned} \neg (p \wedge q) &
ightarrow (p ee q) \equiv 
egin{aligned} \neg p ee 
egin{aligned} \neg q ee (p ee q) \equiv (
egin{aligned} \neg p ee p) ee (
egin{aligned} \neg q ee q) \equiv T ee T \end{aligned} \ (
egin{aligned} \neg p ee p) ee (
egin{aligned} \neg q ee q) \equiv T ee T \end{aligned} \ T \ \ T ee T \equiv T \end{aligned}$$

Some important logical equivalencies:

Equivalence	Name
$P \wedge T \equiv P \ P ee F \equiv P$	Identity laws
$P \wedge F \equiv F \ P ee T \equiv T$	Domination laws

Equivalence	Name
$P \wedge P \equiv P$ $P ee P \equiv P$	Idempotent laws
$ eg( eg P) \equiv P$	Double negation law
$Pee Q\equiv Qee P$ $P\wedge Q\equiv Q\wedge P$	Commutative laws
$(P \lor Q) \lor R \equiv P \lor (Q \lor R)$	Associative laws
$(P\wedge Q)\wedge R\equiv P\wedge (Q\wedge R)$	
$Pee (Q\wedge R)\equiv (Pee Q)\wedge (Pee R)$	Distributive laws
$P \wedge (Q ee R) \equiv (P \wedge Q) ee (P \wedge R)$	
$ eg(P \lor Q) \equiv  eg P \land  eg Q$	De Morgan's laws
$ eg(P \wedge Q) \equiv  eg P ee  eg Q$	
$ eg(P_1 ee P_2 ee P_3 \ldots ee P_n) \equiv  eg P_1 \wedge  eg P_2 \wedge  eg P_3 \ldots \wedge  eg P_n$	
$ eg(P_1 \wedge P_2 \wedge P_3 \ldots ee P_n) \equiv  eg P_1 ee  eg P_2 ee  eg P_3 \ldots ee  eg P_n$	
$(P o Q)\equiv (\lnot Pee Q)$	Definition of Implication
$egin{aligned} Pee(P\wedge Q)&\equiv P\ P\wedge(Pee Q)&\equiv P \end{aligned}$	Absorption laws
$P ee  eg P \equiv T$ $P \wedge  eg P \equiv F$	Negation laws
$P \leftrightarrow Q \equiv (P  o Q) \wedge (Q  o P)$	Definition of biconditional

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## **Predicate Quantifiers**

### **Predicates**

Predicates: Statements that, due to lack of information, are neither true or false.

x>3 is a predicate as without knowing the value of x we cannot definitively say if it is true or false.

Predicates are denoted as a propositional function;

$$P(x) = x > 3$$

When we assign a value to x and **quantify** it, the propositional function becomes a proposition that is either TRUE or FALSE.

### Quantifiers

Types of quantifications:

 Universal quantification: Where a predicate is true for every element in a set. Denoted by

$$\forall x P(x)$$

Existential quantification: Where a predicate is true for at least one element in a set.
 Denoted by

$$\exists x P(x)$$

∀ and ∃ quantifiers have a higher precedence than all other logical operators

$$orall x(P(x) \wedge Q(x)) \equiv orall xP(x) \wedge orall xQ(x)$$

## Negating quantified expressions

Let P(x) denote 'It has rained today'

Thus,  $\forall x P(x)$  denotes 'It has rained everyday'

Negating this function would give  $\neg \forall x P(x)$  'It is not the case that it has rained everyday' This statement is the same as 'There is at least one day where it has not rained' which is denoted by  $\exists x \neg P(x)$ 

$$\therefore \neg \forall x P(x) \equiv \exists x \neg P(x)$$

$$\therefore \neg \exists x P(x) \equiv \forall x \neg P(x)$$

## Uniqueness quantifier

When it is stated that 'There exists a unique singular value of x such that P(x) is true", it is denoted as  $\exists ! x P(x)$ 

## **Nested Quantifiers**

When one quantifier is within the scope of another quantifier it is called a nested quantifier.

Statement	When True	When False
$orall x orall y P(x,y) \ orall y orall x P(x,y)$	P(x,y) is true for every pair $x,y$	There is a pair $x,y$ for which $P(x,y)$ is false
$\forall x \exists y P(x,y)$	For every $x$ there is a $y$ for which $P(x,y)$ is true	There is an $x$ such that $P(x,y)$ is false for every $y$
$\exists x orall y P(x,y)$	There is an $x$ for which $P(x,y)$ is true for every $y$	For every $x$ there is a $y$ for which $P(x,y)$ is false
$\exists x \exists y P(x,y) \ \exists y \exists x P(x,y)$	There is a pair $x,y$ for which $P(x,y)$ is true	P(x,y) is false for every pair $x,y$ .

## **Rules of Inference**

Inference: The process of reaching a conclusion using premises

You must have a valid argument to prove anything in mathematics.

An argument is a sequence of statements that end with a conclusion, it is only valid when the conclusion follows the truth of the preceding premises/statements.

Fallacies: Invalid arguments that are based on incorrect reasoning.

Example: If an argument is denoted by  $p \to q$ , it has 3 truth values  $(p,q,p \to q)$ . If we have only 2 out of these 3 values we can *infer* the value of the third proposition.

When  $p \to q$  and p are both true, the only possible value of q is true . Hence we can *infer* q is true.

## **Inference Laws**

#### **Modus Ponens**

Mode that affirms

$$(p \wedge (p 
ightarrow q)) 
ightarrow q$$

If p is true, and p implies q,  $\therefore$  we can infer that q is also true

p

 $\therefore q$ 

### **Modus Tollens**

Mode that denies

$$(\lnot q \land (p 
ightarrow q)) 
ightarrow \lnot p$$

If q is false, and p implies q is true,  $\therefore$  we can infer that p is also false

eg q

p o q

 $\therefore \neg p$ 

## Hypothetical syllogism

Syllogistic reasoning using two different hypothesis

$$((p o q)\wedge (q o r)) o (p o r)$$

If p implies q, and q implies r,  $\therefore$  we can infer that p implies r

p o q

q 
ightarrow r

 $\therefore p 
ightarrow r$ 

## **Disjunctive syllogism**

Syllogistic reasoning using disjunction

$$((p \lor q) \land \neg p) o q$$

If p OR q is true, and p is false,  $\therefore$  we can infer that q is true

 $p \lor q$ 

 $\neg p$ 

 $\therefore q$ 

## **Addition**

If p is true,  $\therefore$  disjunction of p and q must be true

p

 $\therefore p \lor q$ 

## **Simplification**

$$(p \wedge q) o p$$

If both p AND q are true, p must also be true

 $p \wedge q$ 

 $\therefore p$ 

## Conjunction

$$((p) \land (q)) 
ightarrow (p \land q)$$

If p is  $\mathit{true}$ , and q is also  $\mathit{true}$ ,  $\therefore$  Conjunction between p and q must also be  $\mathit{true}$ 

q

 $\therefore p \wedge q$ 

### Resolution

$$((p \lor q) \land (\neg p \lor r)) o (q \lor r)$$

If p OR q is true, and negation of p or r is also true,  $\therefore$  Disjunction between q and r must be true

 $p \lor q$ 

 $\neg p \lor r$ 

 $\therefore q \vee r$ 

## Validity of an argument

If an argument consists of n number of p premises and a conclusion q, the argument is only valid when  $(p_1 \land p_2 \land p_3 \land \ldots \land p_n) \rightarrow q$  is a tautology

# **Proof Techniques**

**Theorem**: A statement that can be shown to be true

**Axioms**: Statements that we assume to be true

**Lemma**: A less important theorem that is helpful in the proof of other results

Corrolary: It is a theorem that can be established directly from a proven theorem

**Conjecture**: A statement that is proposed as true statement, usually on the basis of some partial evidence.

## Types of proof

**Direct proof**: Use of standard rules of inference to draw a conclusion without changing the problem statement.

Example: Prove that if m is even and n is odd, their sum is always odd

 $n=2k+1\;,\;k\in\mathbb{Z}$ 

 $m=2j\ ,\ j\in \mathbb{Z}$ 

$$\therefore m + n = 2j + 2k + 1 = 2(j + k) + 1$$

As both j and k are integers ( $\mathbb{Z}$ ), j+k must also be an integer. Therefore m+n is odd by definition.

**Indirect proof**: Changing the problem statement and proving the new statement

### Types of Indirect Proof

• Contrapositive : if we cant directly prove  $p \to q$ , we can prove the contrapositive of the statement which is  $\neg q \to \neg p$ 

Example: Given  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and 3n + 2 is odd, show that n is odd.

$$p:3n+2$$
 is odd

$$q:n$$
 is odd

Problem statement in propositional terms ; p o q

The contrapositive of this statement is  $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ 

Which translates to : If n is even, 3n + 2 is even (Proving this will prove the original statement).

$$n=2k\;,\;k\in\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\therefore 3n + 2 = 3(2k) + 2 = 2(3k + 1)$$
 (Even number definition).

As 
$$\neg q o \neg p$$
 has been proven, this indirectly proves  $p o q$ 

• Proof by cases : Given x is an integer, prove that  $x^2 + x$  is even

Here there are two cases where x can either be even or odd, if both of these individual cases can be proven then the problem statement can be proven to be true.

#### Case 1

$$p:x=2n$$
 (even)  $x^2+x=(2n)^2+2n=4n^2+2n=2(2n^2+n)$  (even) Case 2

$$q: x=2n+1$$
 (odd)

$$x^2 + x = (2n+1)^2 + 2n + 1 = (4n^2 + 6n + 2) = 2(2n^2 + 3n + 1)$$
 (even)

As both cases are true, the problem statement is also proved.

 Proof by contradiction: Instead of proving the statement, we can prove the negation of the statement to be false.

Example: Prove that  $\sqrt{2}$  is irrational.

$$P:\sqrt{2}\in\mathbb{I} \ 
eg P:\sqrt{2}\in\mathbb{Q}$$

All rational numbers can be expressed in the form  $\frac{P}{Q}$  where it is in its lowest terms.

$$\sqrt{2} = \frac{P}{Q}$$

$$2=rac{P^2}{Q^2}$$

$$P^2=2Q^2\ (P^2\ {
m is\ in\ even\ form\ },\ {}_{\stackrel{.}{.}{.}}P$$
 is also even)

$$(2k)^2=2Q^2\equiv 2k^2=Q^2(::Q$$
 is also even)

As both P and Q are even, both of them have a common factor of 2, which contradicts with the fact that  $\frac{P}{Q}$  has to be in its lowest terms.

As we proved the negation of P to be false, this proves P to be true  $[\neg(\neg P) \equiv P \equiv T]$ 

# **Sets, Functions**

## **Sets**

## **Describing a Set**

A set is an unordered collection of distinct non-repeating elements.

Ways to describe a set:

· Roster Method : Listing out all the elements of the set

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$$

Set Builder Notation: Instead of listing out all the elements the characteristics

$$A = \{x | x \text{ is an odd positive integer less than } 10\}$$

## **Cardinality**

The **cardinality** of a set is the number of elements in that set.

Sets with a cardinality of 0 are called Null sets

$$\varnothing = \{\} \; ; \; |\varnothing| = 0$$

Sets with a cardinality of 1 are called singleton sets

### **Subsets**

If set A is a *subset* of set B, then set B is a superset of set A. Where every element in set A is an element of set B.

$$A \subseteq B$$

#### **Power Sets**

For a set A, the *power set* of A is the set of all subsets of the set S. Denoted by  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ 

$$A=\{0,1,2\}$$

$$\mathcal{P}(A) = \{\emptyset, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{0, 1\}, \{0, 2\}, \{1, 2\}, \{0, 1, 2\}\}$$
  $|\mathcal{P}(A)| = 2^{|A|}$ 

### **Cartesian Product**

The cartesian product of sets A and B is the set of all ordered pairs (a,b).

$$A=\{1,2,3\}$$

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

$$A imes B = \{(1,a), (1,b), (1,c), (2,a), (2,b), (2,c), (3,a), (3,b), (3,c)\}$$

## **Set Operations**

#### Union

Let:

$$A=\{x|x\in A\}$$

$$B = \{x | x \in B\}$$

The union of sets A and B is denoted by;

$$A \cup B \equiv \{x | x \in A \lor x \in B\}$$

### Intersection

Let;

$$A=\{x|x\in A\}$$

$$B=\{x|x\in B\}$$

The intersection of sets A and B is denoted by;

$$A\cap B\equiv \{x|x\in A\wedge x\in B\}$$

## Complement

The complement of set A is the set of all elements that is not in A

$$\overline{A}=\{x|x
otin A\}$$

## **Disjoint sets**

When the intersection of multiple sets result in a null set, the sets are said to be disjoint

$$A \cap B = \emptyset$$

### **Difference**

The difference of set A and B is the set of elements that are in A but not in B

$$A - B = \{x | x \in A \cap x \notin B\}$$
  
=  $\{x | x \in A \cap x \in \overline{B}\}$   
=  $\{x | x \in A \cap \overline{B}\}$   
 $A - B = A \cap \overline{B}$ 

### **Set Identities**

Identity	Name
$A\cap U=A$ $A\cup\emptyset=A$	Identity laws
$A \cup U = U$ $A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$	Domination laws
$A \cup A = A$ $A \cap A = A$	Idempotent laws

Identity	Name
$\overline{(\overline{A})}=A$	Complementation laws
$A \cup B = B \cup A$ $A \cap B = B \cap A$	Commutative laws
$A \cup (B \cup C) = (A \cup B) \cup C$ $A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C$	Associative laws
$A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$ $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$	Distributive laws
$\overline{A\cap B}=\overline{A}\cup\overline{B}$ $\overline{A\cup B}=\overline{A}\cap\overline{B}$	De Morgan's laws
$A \cup (A \cap B) = A$ $A \cap (A \cup B) = A$	Absorption laws
$A\cup\overline{A}=U \ A\cap\overline{A}=\emptyset$	Complement laws

## **Functions**

A function maps each element from a non-empty set A to exactly one element from a non-empty set B.

## **Types of functions**

Injective (One-to-One)

A function f is one-to-one if and only if f(a) = f(b) implies a=b for all values of \$a\$ and \$b\$ within the domain of f.

For a function f(x) = x, all distinct values of x within the domain must have a distinct corresponding value of f(x)

For the function  $f:A\to B$  , if it is injective

 $|A| \leq |B|$ 

Surjective (Onto)

A function f is onto if and only if every element in the codomain of the

function can be mapped from an element of the domain.

For the function  $f: A \to B$ , if it is surjective

$$|A| \ge |B|$$

Bijective (One-to-One correspondence)

A function f is bijective if both it is both one-to-one and onto

For the function  $f: A \to B$  if it is bijective,

$$|A| = |B|$$

### **Increasing and Decreasing functions**

For a function f(x),

- INCREASING when  $x_2>x_1$  and  $f(x_2)\geq f(x_1)$
- STRICTLY INCREASING when  $x_2 > x_1$  and  $f(x_2) > f(x_1)$
- **DECREASING** when  $x_2 > x_1$  and  $f(x_2) \le f(x_1)$
- STRICTLY DECREASING when  $x_2 > x_1$  and  $f(x_2) < f(x_1)$

A function reaches a stationary point when  $\frac{d}{dx} = 0$ 

A function reaches a minima when  $rac{d^2}{dx^2}>0$ 

A function reaches a maxima when  $rac{d^2}{dx^2} < 0$ 

### **Inverse Functions**

For a function  $f:A\to B$  which is bijective, the inverse of f assigns codomain elements to a unique domain element such f(a)=b when  $f^{-1}(b)=a$ 

ONLY BIJECTIVE FUNCTIONS CAN BE INVERSED

## Floor and Ceiling Functions

Floor functions

- The floor of a variable x is denoted by  $\lfloor x \rfloor$ , it is defined as the largest integer that is smaller than x.
  - Ceiling functions
- The ceiling of a variable x is denoted by  $\lceil x \rceil$ , it is defined as the smallest integer that is larger than x.

# **Cardinality of Sets**

### **Countable Sets**

If a set is finite then it is said to be countable.

If a set is infinite then it can also be said to be countable, with a condition that the cardinality of the set must be equal to the cardinality of positive integers  $(\mathbb{N}: \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\})$ 

## Recursion

A function/relation that repeats or uses its own previous term to calculate subsequent terms The factorial function is a basic example of a recursive function;

$$f(x) = x!$$

$$f(5) = 5! = 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$$

$$f(5) = 5 \times 4!$$

$$f(5) = 5 \times f(4)$$

$$\therefore f(x) = x imes f(x-1)$$
 , where  $f(0) = 1$ 

# **Sequences & Summation**

A sequence is a function which maps elements from a subset of integers to a set S. It is a discrete structure used to represent an ordered list

## Types of sequences

Geometric

A common ratio r exists between two subsequent terms.

$$n^{th} term = ar^{n-1}$$
, where  $n = 1$  for the first term

Summation;

$$S_n=rac{ar^n-a}{r-1}\;,r
eq 1$$

Arithmetic

A common difference d exists between two subsequent terms.

$$n^{th}\ term = a + (n-1)d,\ where\ n = 1\ for\ the\ first\ term$$

Summation;

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2a + (n-1)d]$$

### **Useful summation formulae**

Sum	Closed Form/Equivalent Form
$\sum_{k=0}^n ar^k \ (r  eq 0)$	$\frac{ar^{n+1}-a}{r-1},\;r\neq 1$
$\sum_{k=1}^n k$	$rac{n(n+1)}{2}$

Sum	Closed Form/Equivalent Form
$\sum_{k=1}^n k^2$	$\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$
$\sum_{k=1}^n k^3$	$\frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}$
$\sum_{k=1}^n c$	nc
$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k, \ x\  < 1$	$rac{1}{1-x}$
$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}kx^{k-1},\ x\ <1$	$\frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$
$\sum_{b}^{a}f(x)$	$\sum_1^a f(x) - \sum_1^{b-1} f(x)$
$\sum_{b}^{a}kf(x)$	$k\sum_{b}^{a}f(x)$
$\sum_{b}^{a}[f(x)+k]$	$\sum_{b}^{a}f(x)+\sum_{b}^{a}k$

# **Relations**

## Relation between two sets

A relation R from two sets A to B is a subset of  $A \times B$ 

$$R\subseteq A\times B$$

## Relation on a set

A relation R on a set A is a subset of  $A \times A$ 

$$R\subseteq A imes A$$

## **Relational Matrix**

A relational Matrix  $M_r$  representing a relation R on a set A looks like this: if set A is defined as;

$$A = \{0, 1, 2\}$$

And relation R is defined as;

$$R = \{(1,0), (0,1), (1,1), (1,2), (2,2)\}$$

The relational matrix  $M_r$  is defined as;

$$M_r = egin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \ 1 & 1 & 0 \ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Types of relations

#### Reflexive

A relation R on a set A is called *reflexive* if  $(a, a) \in R$  for every element  $a \in A$ 

The trace of  $M_r$  will be equal to the cardinality of A, as the main diagonal will all be 1s.

$$tr(M_r) = |A|$$

### **Symmetric**

A relation R on a set A is called symmetric if  $(b,a) \in R$  whenever  $(a,b) \in R$ , for all  $a,b \in A$ 

The trace of  $M_r$  will be equal to cardinality of A, as the main diagonal will all be 1s.

$$tr(M_r) = |A|$$

The matrix formed be transposing  $M_r$  will be identical to  $M_r$ 

$$(M_r)^T \equiv M_r$$

### **Antisymmetric**

A relation R on a set A such that for all  $a,b \in A$ , if  $(a,b) \in R$  and  $(b,a) \in R$ , then a=b is called antisymmetric.

The trace of  $M_r$  will be equal to cardinality of A, as the main diagonal will all be 1s.

$$tr(M_r) = |A|$$

The matrix formed be transposing  $M_r$  can NOT be identical to  $M_r$ [Unless  $M_r$  is an identity matrix]

$$(M_r)^T \not\equiv M_r \;, M_r \not\equiv I$$

#### **Transitive**

A relation R on a set A is called transitive if whenever  $(a,b)\in R$  and  $(b,c)\in R$ , then  $(a,c)\in R$ , for all  $a,b,c\in A$ 

No notable property can be observed from a transitive matrix , unlike the other types

### Composite relations

$$\text{if },R=\{(a,b)\in R|a\in A,b\in B\}$$
 
$$\text{and },S=\{(b,c)\in S|b\in B,c\in C\}$$
 
$$\text{then },R\circ S=\{(a,c)\in R\circ S|a\in A,c\in C\}$$

#### Powers of a relation

If R is a relation on set A, then the  $n^{th}$  power of R, is defined recursively as;

$$R^n = R^{n-1} \circ R \; , n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

#### SIDE NOTE

The relation R on set A is transitive if and only if  $R^n \subseteq R$  for n = 1, 2, 3, ...

#### **Transitive closure**

The **transitive closure** of a relation R on a set A is the smallest transitive relation T on A such that  $R \subseteq T$ .

If  $M_R$  is an n imes n matrix, the transitive closure denoted by  $M_{R*}$  is defined as;

$$M_{R*} = M_R ee M_R^{[2]} ee M_R^{[3]} ee \ldots ee M_R^{[n]}$$

where,

$$M_R^{[k]}=M_R^{[k-1]}\odot M_R$$

### **Equivalence relations**

A relation on set A is called an *equivalence relation* if it is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

# **Counting**

### **Product rule**

If a task can be split into a sequence of two tasks, where there are  $n_1$  ways to do the first task and for each of these ways of doing the first task, there are  $n_2$  ways to do the second task, then there are  $n_1n_2$  ways to do the task.

### Sum rule

If a task can be done either in one of  $n_1$  ways or in one of  $n_2$  ways, where none of the set of  $n_1$  ways is the same as any of the set of  $n_2$  ways, then there are  $n_1 + n_2$  ways to do the task.

## **Subtraction rule (Inclusion-Exclusion Principle)**

If a task can be done in either  $n_1$  ways or  $n_2$  ways, then the number of ways to do the task is  $n_1 + n_2$  minus the number of ways to do the task that are common to the two different ways

$$|A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2|$$