

# Computer Science & IT

## Discrete Mathematics



**Set Theory & Algebra**

**Lecture No. 09**



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# Recap of Previous Lecture



Topic

Partition of a set

Topic

Number of equivalence relation

Topic

Bell number



# Topics to be Covered



Topic

Partial Order Relation and Partially Ordered Set



Topic

Total Order Relation and Totally Ordered Set



Topic

Least Upper Bound & Greatest Lower Bound





## Topic : Partial Order Relation

A relation  $R$  on set  $A$  is said to be partial order relation if and only if relation  $R$  is

- ① Reflexive
- ② Anti-symmetric
- ③ Transitive



eg: Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$

$R_1 = \Delta_A = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3)\}$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Reflexive} \checkmark \\ \text{Anti-symmetric} \checkmark \\ \text{Transitive} \checkmark \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \circ \circ \text{ Partial order relation}$

Diagonal relation on set A

is the only relation which is  
equivalence relation as well as Partial order relation

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

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Reflexive} \checkmark \\ \text{Anti-symmetric} \checkmark \\ \text{Transitive} \checkmark \end{array} \right\} \circ \circ \text{ Partial order Relation}$



## Topic : Partially Ordered Set

/ (P.O. SET)



Let  $R$  be a partial order relation on set  $A$ .

then set  $A$  along with this partial order relation  $R$  is called Partially ordered set.

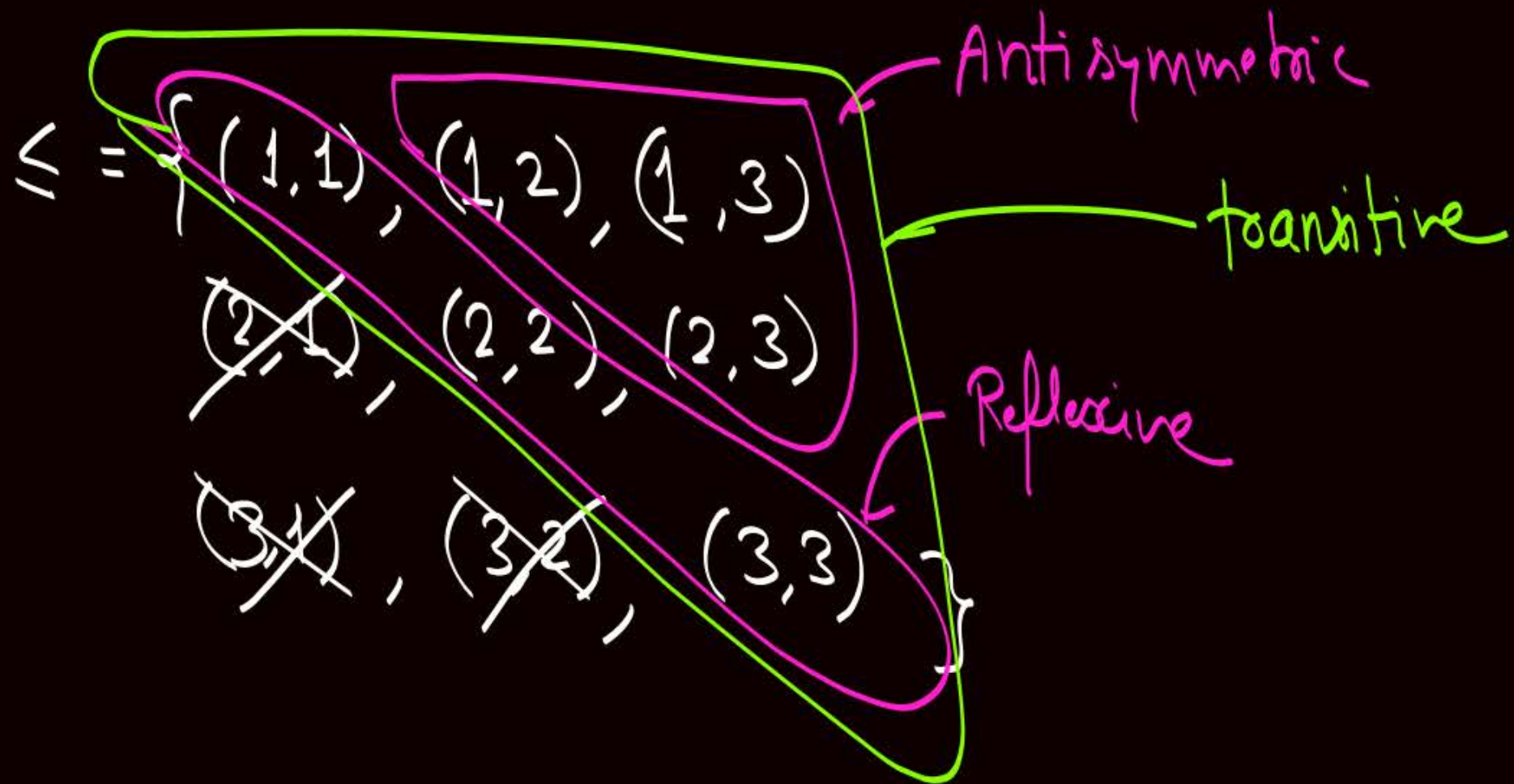
It is denoted by  $(A, R)$

Must be a  
Partial order relation



eg: Let 'A' is any set of real numbers, then  
 $(A, \leq)$  is a POSET.

• let  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$



eg: let  $A$  is any set of non-zero positive integers  
then  $(A, \div)$  is a POSET  
divides

$\div$  is a partial order relation on any set  
of non-zero positive integers

$$A = \{1, 3, 5\}$$

$$\div = \{ (1,1), (1,3), (1,5), \\ \cancel{(3,1)}, (3,3), \cancel{(3,5)}, \\ \cancel{(5,1)}, \cancel{(5,3)}, (5,5) \}$$



eg: Let 'C' be any collection of sets  
 and " $\subseteq$ " is set containment op<sup>n</sup> (i.e. Subset op<sup>n</sup>)  
 then  $(C, \subseteq)$  is a POSET.

$$C = \{ \overset{P}{\{\}}, \overset{Q}{\{1, 2\}}, \overset{R}{\{1, 2, 3\}}, \overset{S}{\{2, 3\}} \}$$

$$\subseteq = \{ (P, P), (P, Q), (P, R), (P, S), \\ \cancel{(Q, P)}, (Q, Q), (Q, R), \cancel{(Q, S)}, \\ \cancel{(R, P)}, \cancel{(R, Q)}, (R, R), \cancel{(R, S)}, \\ \cancel{(S, P)}, \cancel{(S, Q)}, (S, R), (S, S) \}$$



## Topic : Comparability

Let  $(A, R)$  be a POSET, { i.e.  $R$  is a partial order rel<sup>n</sup> }

For any pair of elements  $a, b \in A$ ,

' $a$  &  $b$ ' are said to be comparable w.r.t.

Partial order relation  $R$  if  $a^R b$  or  $b^R a$

i.e.  $(a, b) \in R$  or  $(b, a) \in R$



eg. Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$   
and  $(A, \underset{R}{\div})$  is a POSET

1 divides every element of the set,  $\therefore$  '1' is comparable with all elements of this set.

$(1, 1) \in R \therefore '1 \& 1'$  are comparable

$(1, 2) \in R \therefore '1 \& 2'$  are — " —

$(1, 3) \in R, \therefore '1 \& 3'$  — " —

$(1, 4) \in R, \therefore '1 \& 4'$  — " —

$(2, 1) \notin R$  but  $(1, 2) \in R \therefore '2 \& 1'$  are comparable

$(2, 2) \in R \therefore '2 \& 2'$  are comparable

$(2, 4) \in R \therefore '2 \& 4'$  are comparable

Neither 2 divides 3  
nor 3 divides 2

i.e. neither  $(2, 3) \in R$  nor  $(3, 2) \in R$   
 $\therefore '2 \& 3'$  are not comparable  
w.r.t. relation  $\div$  (divides)

Similarly  $'3 \& 4'$  are also not  
comparable w.r.t. relation divides





## Topic : Totally Ordered Set

(Linearly ordered Set)



A POSET  $(A, R)$  is called a totally ordered set only if each pair of element of set  $A$  is comparable w.r.t. relation  $R$ . {and relation  $R$  is called Total order relation}

eg. let  $A = \{1, 2, 4, 8\}$   
 $(A, \div)$  is a POSET

Every pair of elements of set  $A$  is comparable w.r.t. relation  $\div$  (divides)

$\therefore$  above POSET  $(A, \div)$  is also a Totally ordered Set (TOSET)

eg. let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$   
and  $(A, \div)$  is a POSET.

We know '2 & 3' are not comparable because neither 2 divides 3 (ie.  $(2, 3) \notin \div$ ) nor 3 divides 2 (ie.  $(3, 2) \notin \div$ )

$\therefore (A, \div)$  is just a POSET  
it is not a Totally ordered Set (TOSET)



eg. POSET  $(A, \leq)$  is a TOSET for any set  $A$   
of real numbers

eg. POSET  $(A, \div)$  where  $A$  is any set of non-zero  
positive integers may or may not be a TOSET

eg. if  $A = \{1, 2, 4, 8\}$  then  $(A, \div)$  is a TOSET

& if  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  then  $(A, \div)$  is not a TOSET

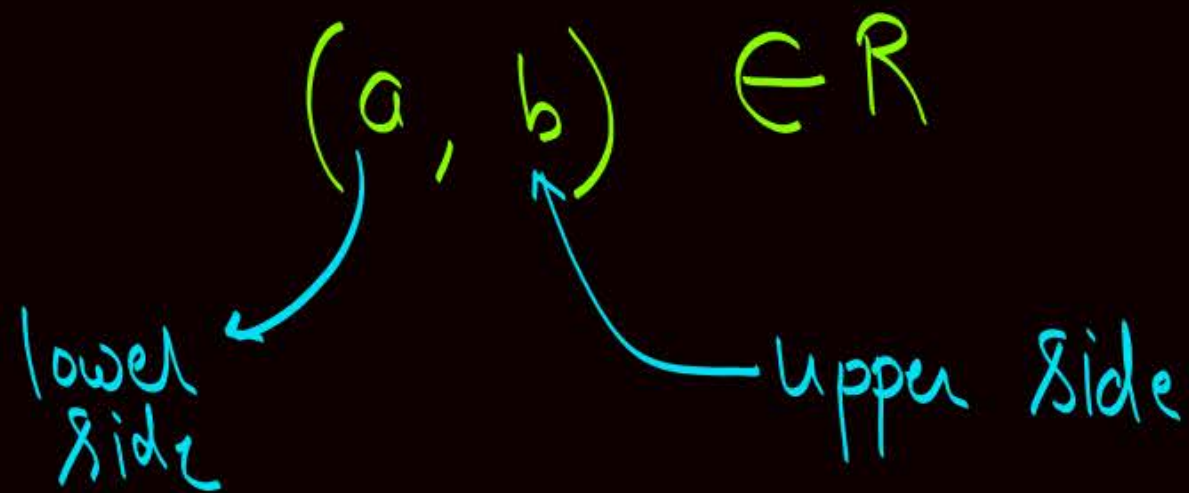
Note:

Every TOSET is a POSET,  
but Every POSET need not be a TOSET.



→ If  $a^R b$  i.e.  $(a, b) \in R$

then  $a$  is said to be at lower side  
&  $b$  is said to be at upper side





## Topic : Least Upper Bound

lub / Join / Supremum  
L.U.B.

it can be any partial order Rel<sup>n</sup>

Let  $(A, \leq)$  be a POSET, for any two elements  $a, b \in A$  if there exists an element  $c \in A$  such that,

$a \leq c$  and  $b \leq c$ ,

then  $c$  is called upper bound of  $a$  and  $b$ ,

' $c$ ' is at the upper side of both  $a$  &  $b$

And if there exists no element  $d \in A$  such that

$a \leq d$  and  $b \leq d$  and  $d \leq c$ ,

then  $c$  is called least upper bound of  $a$  and  $b$

There exists no element ' $d \in A$ ' s.t.  
 $d$  is also an upper bound of  $a$  &  $b$  and  $d$  is at lower side of  $c$





## Topic : Least Upper Bound

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Let  $(A, R)$  be a POSET, for any two elements  $a, b \in A$  if there exists an element  $c \in A$  such that,

$a \overset{R}{\leq} c$  and  $b \overset{R}{\leq} c$ ,  
ie  $(a, c) \in R$  &  $(b, c) \in R$

then  $c$  is called upper bound of  $a$  and  $b$ ,

And if there exists no element  $d \in A$  such that

$a \overset{R}{\leq} d$  and  $b \overset{R}{\leq} d$  and  $d \overset{R}{\leq} c$ ,  
ie  $(a, d) \in R$  &  $(b, d) \in R$  &  $(d, c) \in R$

then  $c$  is called least upper bound of  $a$  and  $b$

Least upper bound of elements  $a$  &  $b$  is  
denoted by  $\text{lub}(a, b)$  or

$a \vee b$

Symbol used to  
denote  $\vee$ .





## Topic : Greatest Lower Bound

/glb/ Meet / Infimum



Let  $(A, \leq)$  be a POSET, for any two elements  $a, b \in A$  if there exists an element  $c \in A$  such that,

$$c \leq a \text{ and } c \leq b,$$

then  $c$  is called lower bound of  $a$  and  $b$ ,

'c' is at lower side of 'a' as well as 'b'

And if there exists no element  $d \in A$  such that

$$d \leq a \text{ and } d \leq b \text{ and } c \leq d,$$

then  $c$  is called greatest lower bound of  $a$  and  $b$

no element 'd' s.t.	d is at lower side of a & b	and	d is at upper side of c
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## Topic : Greatest Lower Bound

/glb/ Meet/ Infimum



Let  $(A, \leq)$  be a POSET, for any two elements  $a, b \in A$  if there exists an element  $c \in A$  such that,

$c \leq a$  and  $c \leq b$ ,

then  $c$  is called lower bound of  $a$  and  $b$ ,

$(c, a) \in R$  &  $(c, b) \in R$

And if there exists no element  $d \in A$  such that

$d \leq a$  and  $d \leq b$  and  $c \leq d$ ,

$(d, a) \in R$  &  $(d, b) \in R$  &  $(c, d) \in R$

then  $c$  is called greatest lower bound of  $a$  and  $b$



Greatest lower bound of  $a$  &  $b$  is  
denoted by  $\text{glb}(a, b)$  or

$a \wedge b$   
└ symbol to represent  
glb

eg. let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$   
and  $(A, \leq)$  is a POSET.

find lub & glb of elements  $2, 3 \in A$

$$\begin{array}{cc} 2 \not\leq 1 & 2 \leq 2 \\ 3 \not\leq 1 & 3 \not\leq 2 \end{array}$$

'1' & '2'  
can never be the  
upper bound of  
2 & 3

$$\begin{array}{c} 2 \leq 3 \\ 3 \leq 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 2 \leq 4 \\ 3 \leq 4 \end{array}$$

Both 3 & 4 are  
upper bounds of  
2 & 3

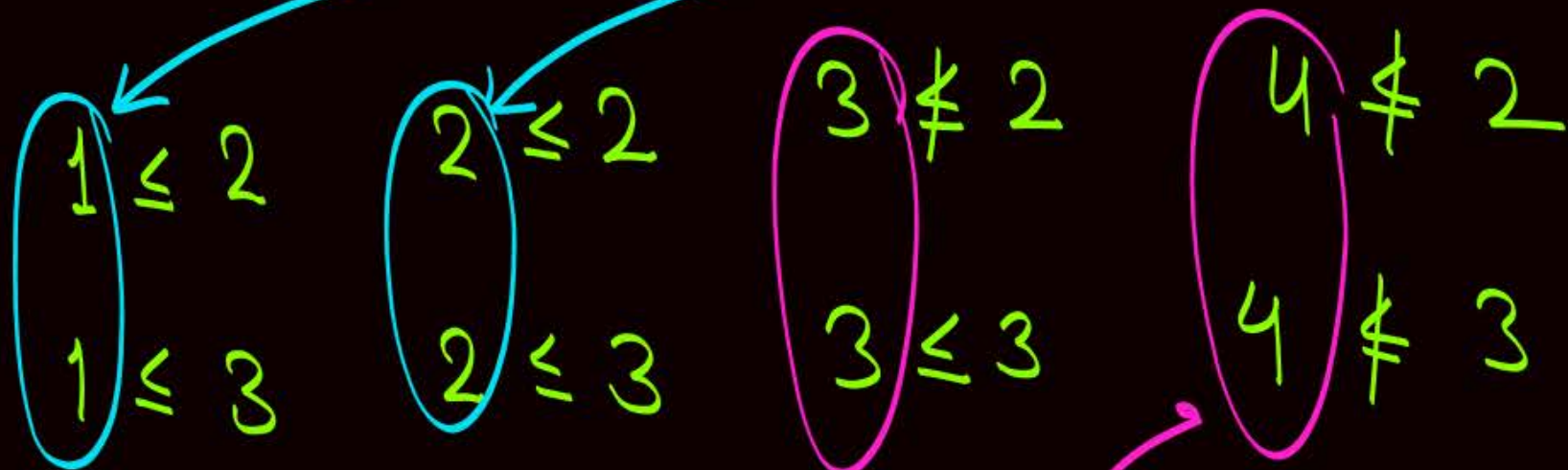
but  $3 \leq 4$   
ie. 3 is at lower side of 4  
 $\therefore$  4 can not be the  
least upper bound

$$\therefore \text{lub}(2, 3) = 3$$



eg. let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$   
and  $(A, \leq)$  is a POSET.

find lub & glb of elements  $2, 3 \in A$



Both 1 & 2 are lower bounds of 2 & 3

but  $1 \leq 2$

i.e. '1' is at lower side of another lower bound '2'

$\therefore$  1 Can not be the greatest lower bound of 2 & 3  
 $\therefore \text{glb}(2, 3) = 2$

$\therefore$  3 & 4 Can not be the lower bounds of 2 & 3

Note: → Let  $A$  is any set of real numbers  
and  $(A, \leq)$  is a POSET,  
less than or equal

for element  $a, b \in A$

identify

$$(i) \text{ lub}(a, b) = ? \Rightarrow \text{lub}(a, b) = \text{Max}(a, b)$$

$$(ii) \text{ glb}(a, b) = ? \Rightarrow \text{glb}(a, b) = \text{Min}(a, b)$$



Note:

Let  $S$  is a set of all natural numbers  
and  $(S, \mid)$  is a POSET.

for elements  $a, b \in S$

$$(i) \text{ lub}(a, b) = \text{LCM}(a, b)$$

$$(ii) \text{ glb}(a, b) = \text{GCD}(a, b)$$

it is the set of all  
natural no.s

$\therefore$  LCM as well as GCD  
of any pair of natural No.s  
will also be present  
in the set of all  
natural numbers.

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Q.

let  $A = \{2, 3, 4\}$

and  $(A, \div)$  is a POSET

What will be

$\text{lub}(2, 3)$  : No element in the set which is divided by 2 as well as by 3

∴  $\text{lub}(2, 3)$  does not exist in the above POSET

$\text{glb}(2, 3)$  = No element in the set which divides element '2' as well as element '3'

∴  $\text{glb}(2, 3)$  does not exist in the above POSET

Note: lub and/or glb for a pair of elements of the set can not be outside the set



Q:- Let  $A$  is any set of non-zero positive integers and  $(A, \div)$  is a POSET,  
then for elements  $a, b \in A$ ,

$\text{lub}(a, b) =$  We don't know the elements of the set  
 $\therefore$  Nothing can be said

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$\text{glb}(a, b) =$  We don't know the elements of the set  
 $\therefore$  Nothing can be said



## 2 mins Summary



**Topic**

Partial Order Relation and Partially Ordered Set

**Topic**

Total Order Relation and Totally Ordered Set

**Topic**

Least Upper Bound & Greatest Lower Bound



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