



9.4 Closures of Relations

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Closures of Relations

- Definition

- The *closure* (闭包) of a relation R with respect to property P is the relation obtained by adding the *minimum number of ordered pairs* to R to obtain property P .

- 3 elements:

- R_1 contains R
- R_1 possesses the property P
- If R_2 contains R and possesses the property P , then R_2 contains R_1





Closures of Relations

- In terms of the digraph representation of R
 - To find the reflexive closure 自反
 - add loops.
 - To find the symmetric closure 对称
 - add arcs in the opposite direction.
 - To find the transitive closure 传递
 - if there is a path from a to b , add an arc from a to b .



Reflexive Closure

■ Theorem:

- Let R be a relation on A .
- The *reflexive closure* of R , denoted $r(R)$, is $R \cup \Delta$, $\Delta = \{(x, x) \mid x \in A\}$.

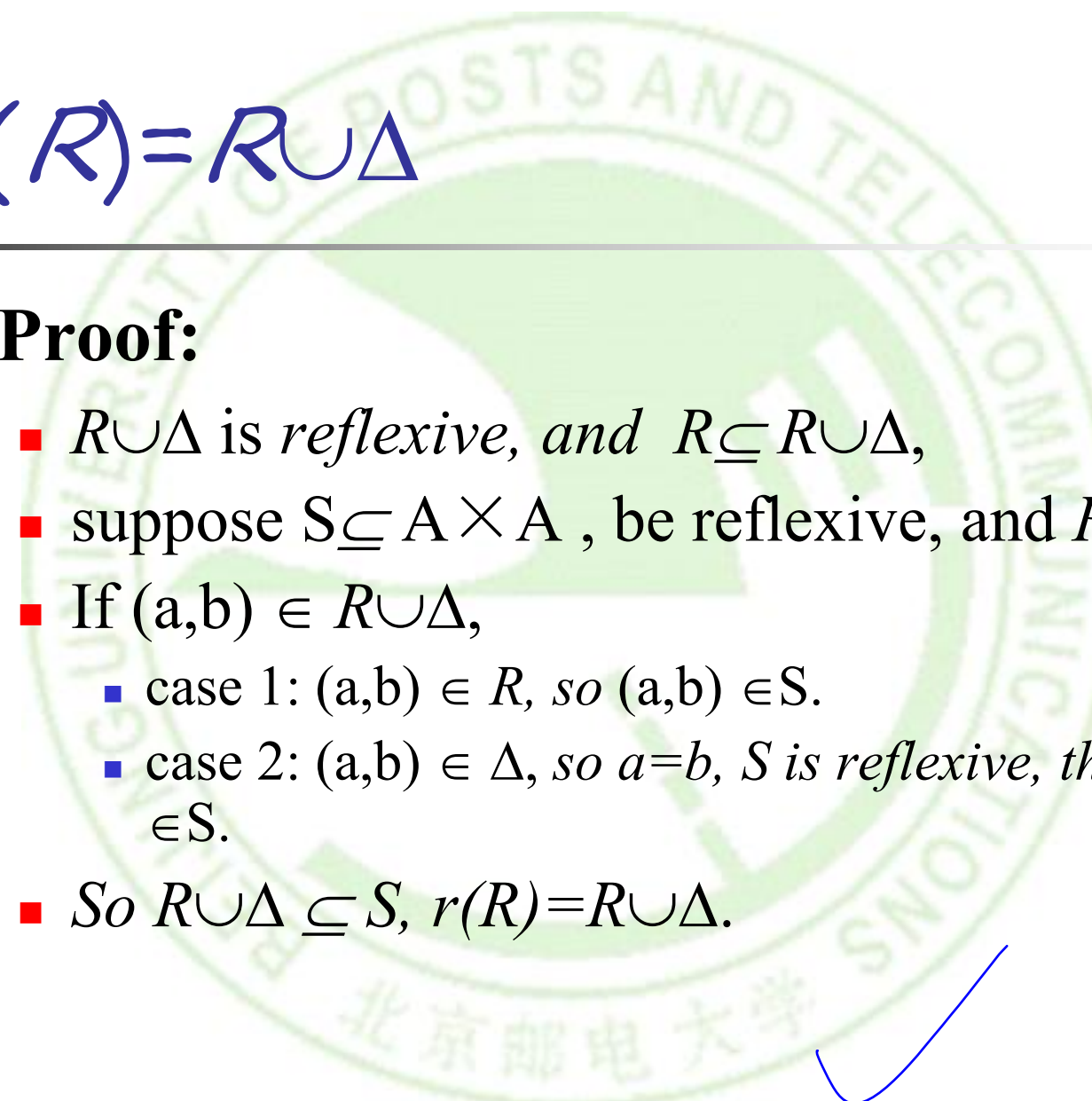
■ Method:

自反闭包

- Add loops to all vertices on the digraph representation of R .
- Put 1's on the diagonal of the connection matrix of R . $M_R \vee M_\Delta$


$$r(R) = R \cup \Delta$$

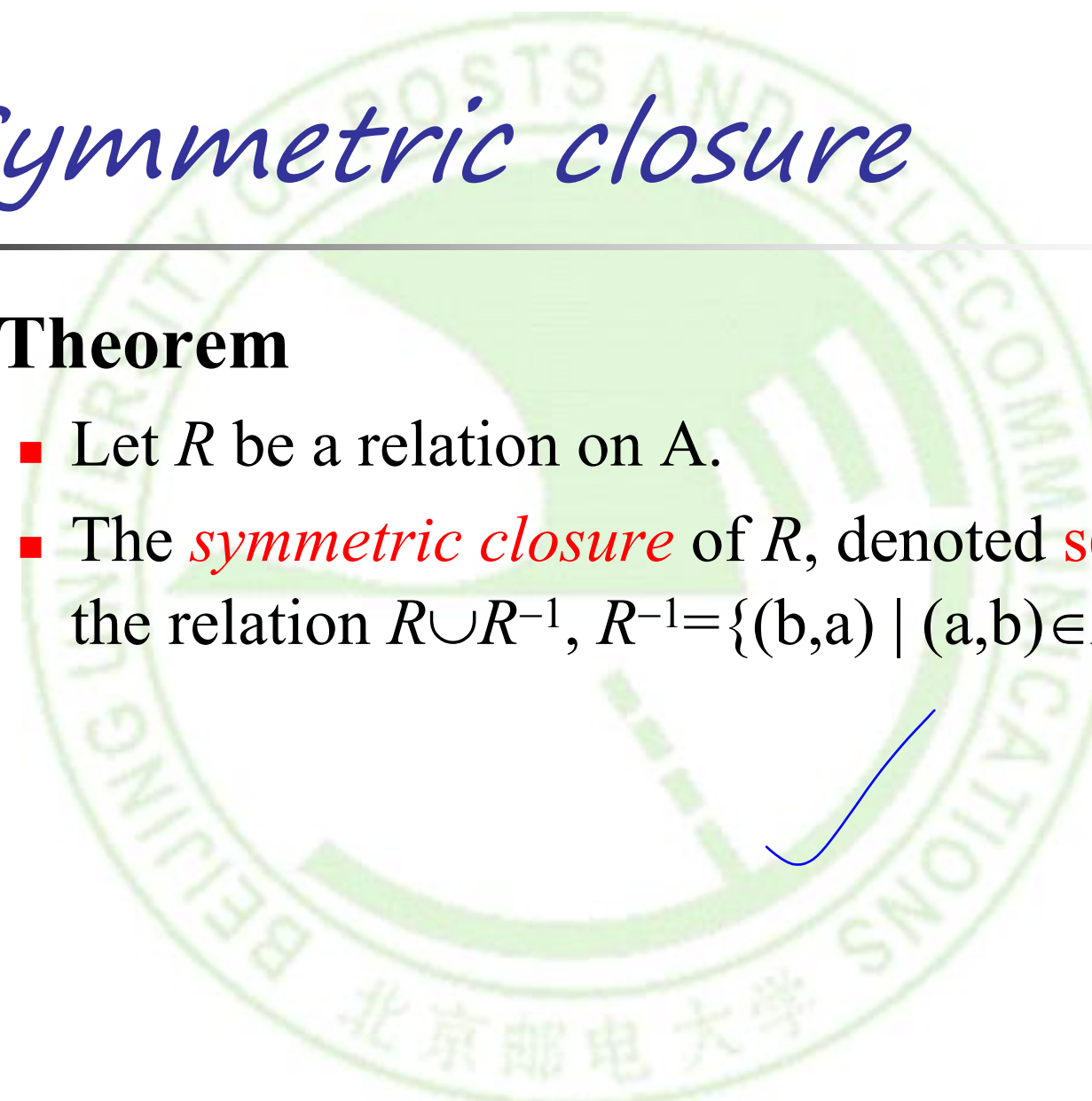
■ **Proof:**

- $R \cup \Delta$ is *reflexive*, and $R \subseteq R \cup \Delta$,
 - suppose $S \subseteq A \times A$, be reflexive, and $R \subseteq S$.
 - If $(a,b) \in R \cup \Delta$,
 - case 1: $(a,b) \in R$, so $(a,b) \in S$.
 - case 2: $(a,b) \in \Delta$, so $a=b$, S is reflexive, then $(a,b) \in S$.
 - So $R \cup \Delta \subseteq S$, $r(R) = R \cup \Delta$.
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Symmetric closure

■ Theorem

- Let R be a relation on A .
 - The *symmetric closure* of R , denoted $s(R)$, is the relation $R \cup R^{-1}$, $R^{-1} = \{(b, a) \mid (a, b) \in R\}$.
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$$s(R) = R \cup R^{-1}$$

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■ Proof:

- If $(a,b) \in R$, then $(b,a) \in R^{-1}$. If $(a,b) \in R^{-1}$, then $(b,a) \in R$.
- so $(a,b) \in R \cup R^{-1}$, and $(b,a) \in R \cup R^{-1}$.
- so $R \cup R^{-1}$ is symmetric, and $R \subseteq R \cup R^{-1}$,
- suppose $S \subseteq A \times A$, be symmetric, and $R \subseteq S$.
- If $(a,b) \in R \cup R^{-1}$,
 - case 1: $(a,b) \in R$, so $(a,b) \in S$.
 - case 2: $(a,b) \in R^{-1}$, so $(b,a) \in R$, $(b,a) \in S$, and S is symmetric, then $(a,b) \in S$.
- So $R \cup R^{-1} \subseteq S$, $s(R) = R \cup R^{-1}$.

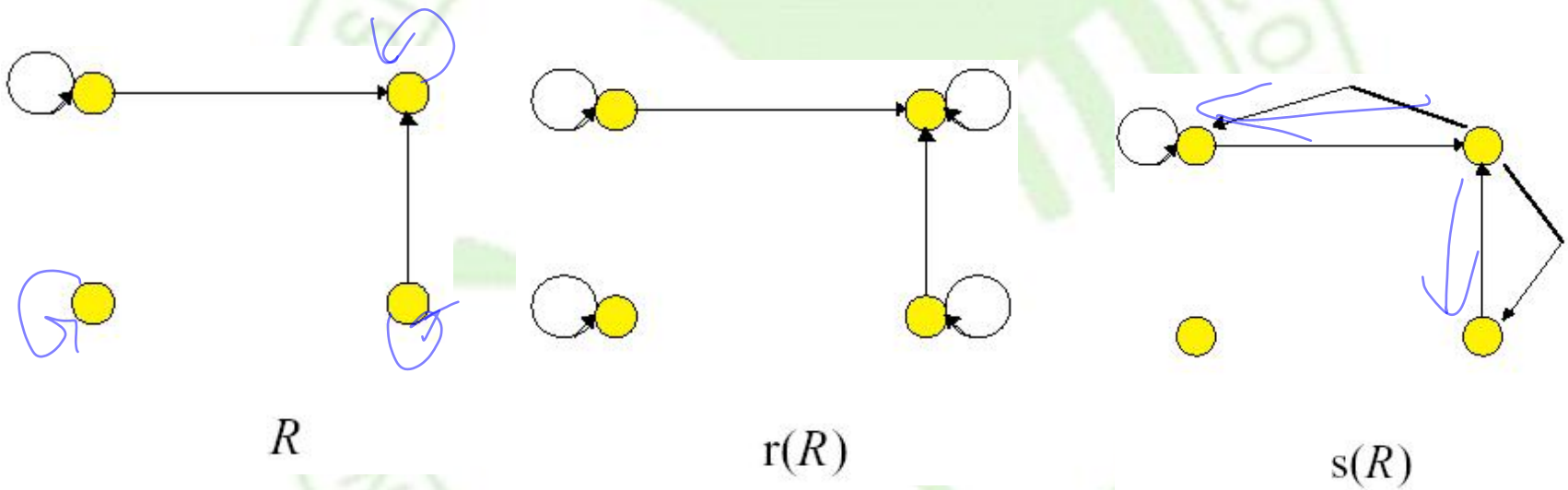


Theorem

- R is symmetric
 - If and only if
 - $R = R^{-1}$
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- Note: in digraph of a symmetric relation, use undirected edges instead of *arcs*

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Example



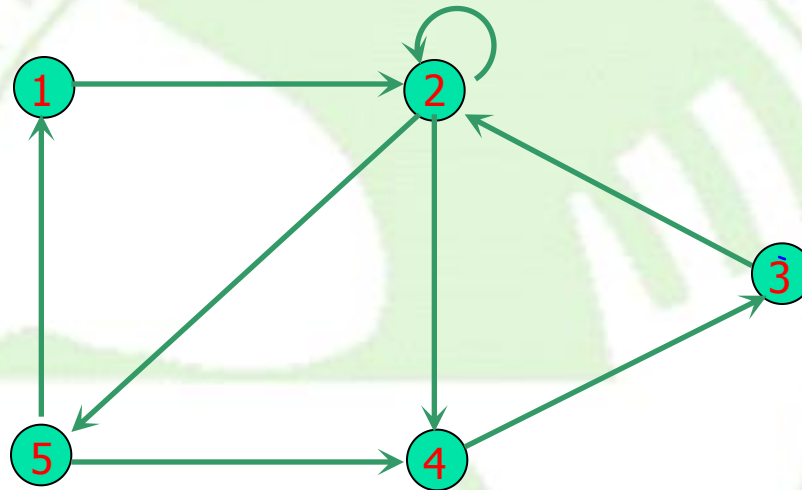
Paths

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- Suppose that R is a relation on a set A . A *path of length n* in R from a to b is a finite sequence $\pi : a, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}, b$, beginning with a and ending with b , such that
 - $a R x_1, x_1 R x_2, \dots, x_{n-1} R b$

Path 17/6

Example



- $\pi_1 : 1, 2, 5, 4, 3$ is a path of length 4 from vertex 1 to vertex 3
- $\pi_2 : 1, 2, 5, 1$ is a path of length 3 from vertex 1 to itself
- $\pi_3 : 2, 2$ is a path of length 1 from vertex 2 to itself

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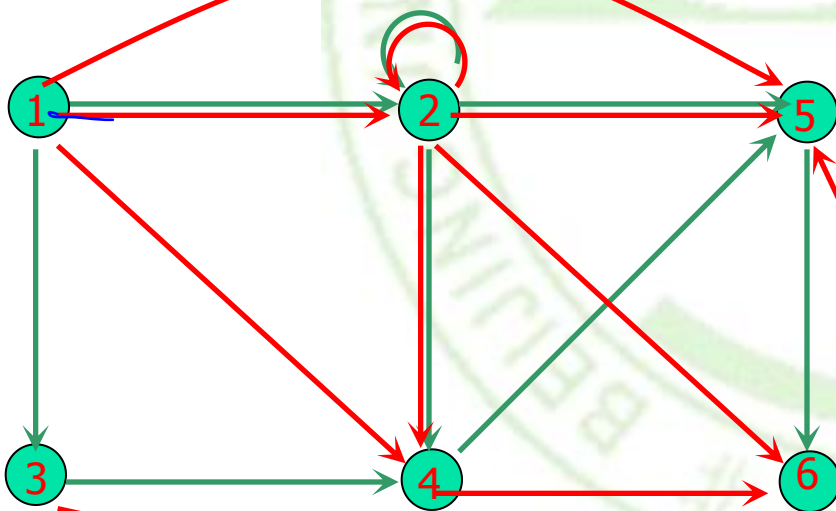
Some definitions

- A path that begins and ends at the same vertex is called a **cycle**. *cycle 回路*
- R^n : $x R^n y$ means that there is a path of length n from x to y in R . *$x R^n y$ 有长为 n 的路径.*
 - $R^n(x)$
- R^* : $x R^* y$ means that there is some path in R from x to y . *$R^*(x)$ there is some path in R*
 - $R^*(x)$
- The relation R^* is sometimes called the **connectivity relation** for R . *from x to y*

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Example

- Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$
- R is shown as in figure
- $R^2 = ?$

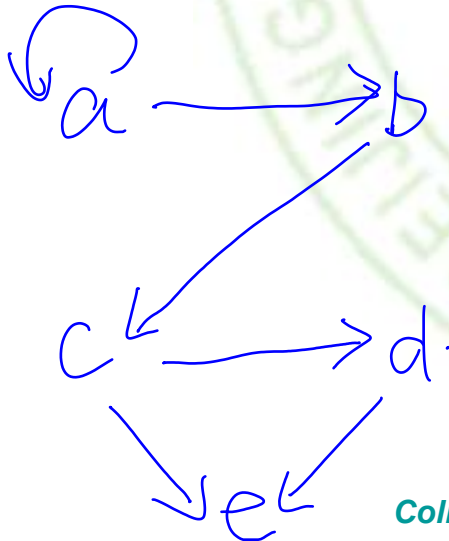


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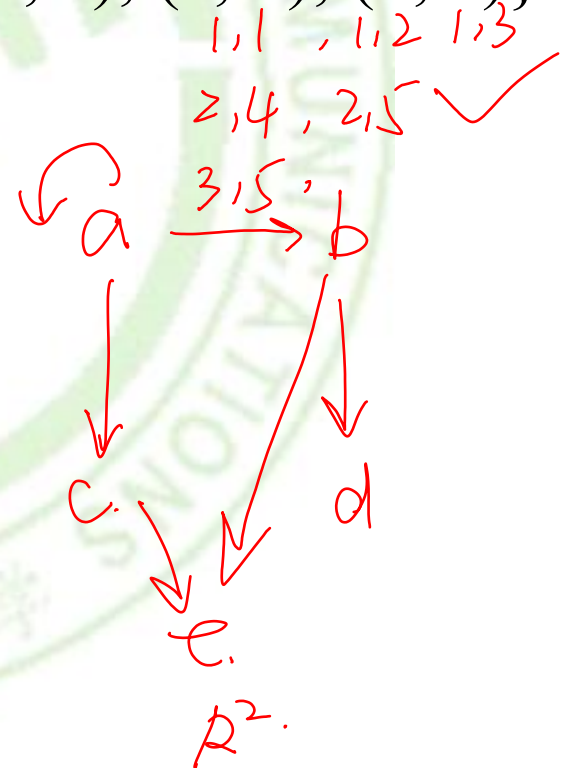
Example

- Let $A = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$
 - $R = \{(a, a), (a, b), (b, c), (c, e), (c, d), (d, e)\}$.
- Compute (a) R^2 ; (b) R^*

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



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 aR^2b
 aR^2c
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 bR^2e
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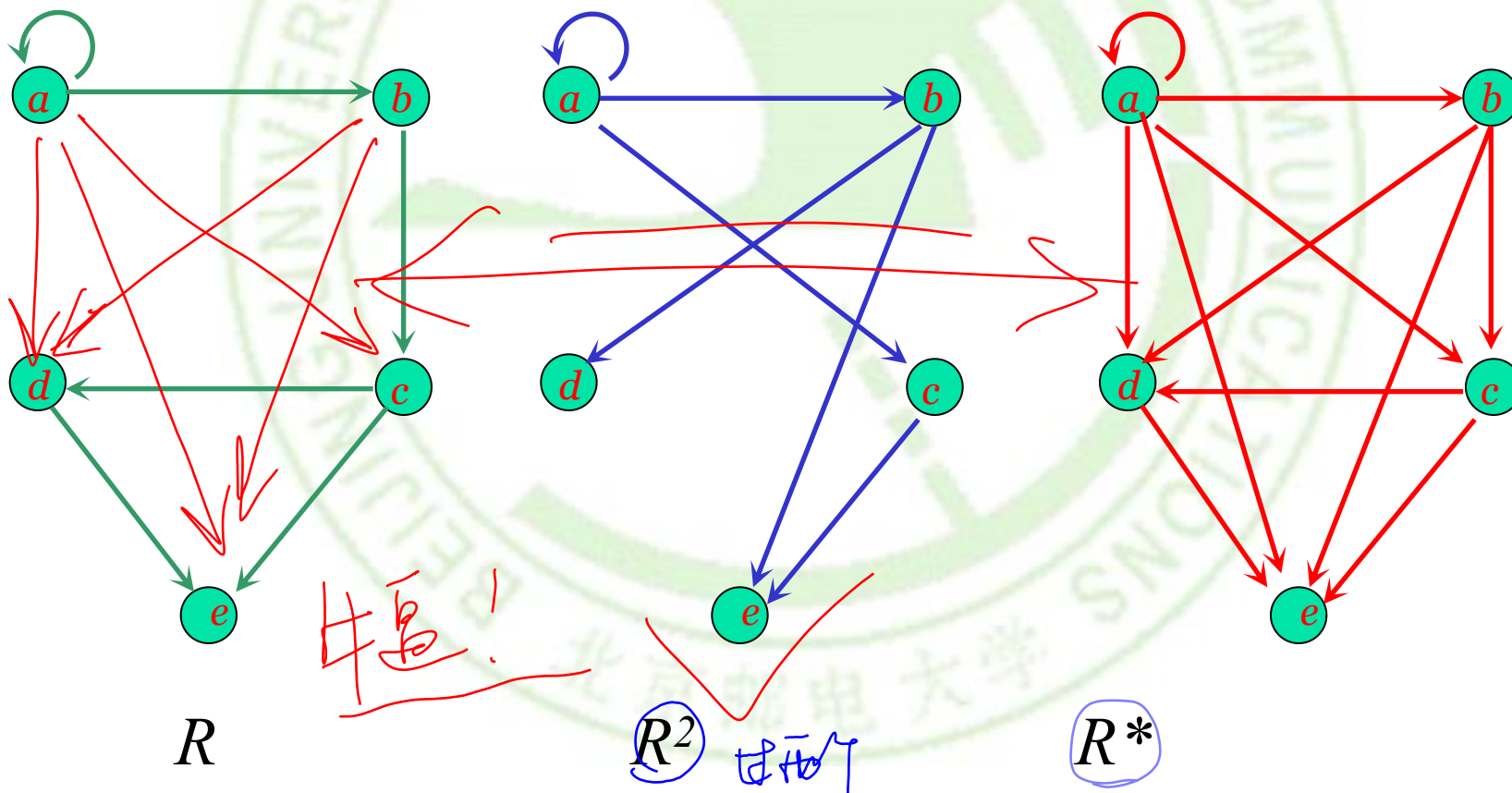


Solution

R^*

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



Theorem

- If R is a relation on $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$, then

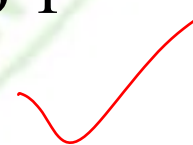
$$M_{R^2} = M_R \odot M_R$$

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Proof

- Let $M_R = [m_{ij}]$ and $M_{R^2} = [n_{ij}]$.
 - the i, j th element of $M_R \otimes M_R$ is equal to 1
 - $m_{ik} = 1$ and $m_{kj} = 1$ for some $k, 1 \leq k \leq n$.
- By definition of the matrix M_R
 - $a_i R a_k$ and $a_k R a_j$
 - $a_i R^2 a_j$, and so $n_{ij} = 1$.
- Therefore
 - position i, j of $M_R \otimes M_R$ is equal to 1
 - $n_{ij} = 1$.
- So $M_R \otimes M_R = M_{R^2}$



Example

- Let $A = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$
 - $R = \{(a, a), (a, b), (b, c), (c, e), (c, d), (d, e)\}$.
- Compute R^2

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

原图.

Example cont.

$$M_{R^2} = M_R \odot M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \odot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Theorem

- For $n \geq 2$ and R a relation on a finite set A , we have

$$\begin{aligned} M_{R^n} &= M_R \odot M_R \odot \cdots \odot M_R \quad (n \text{ factors}) \\ &\triangleq (M_R)_{\odot}^n \end{aligned}$$



Proof by induction

- Let $P(n)$ be the assertion that the statement holds for an integer $n \geq 2$.
- *Basis Step*: $P(2)$ is true by Theorem 1.

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Induction Step

- Consider the matrix $M_{R^{k+1}}$. Let $M_{R^{k+1}} = [x_{ij}]$, $M_{R^k} = [y_{ij}]$, and $M_R = [m_{ij}]$
- If $x_{ij} = 1$, we must have a path of length $k + 1$ from a_i to a_j .
- If we let a_s be the vertex that this path reaches just before the last vertex a_j , then there is a path of length k from a_i to a_s and a path of length 1 from a_s to a_j .
- Thus $y_{is} = 1$ and $m_{sj} = 1$, so $M_{R^k} \odot M_R$ has a 1 in position i, j .
- similarly, if $M_{R^k} \odot M_R$ has a 1 in position i, j , then $x_{ij} = 1$.
- So $M_{R^{k+1}} = M_{R^k} \odot M_R$



Induction Step

$$\because P(k): M_{R^k} = M_R \odot \cdots \odot M_R \quad (k \text{ factors})$$

$$\therefore M_{R^{k+1}} = M_{R^k} \odot M_R = (M_R \odot M_R \odot \cdots \odot M_R) \odot M_R$$

hence

$$P(k+1): M_{R^{k+1}} = M_R \odot \cdots \odot M_R \odot M_R \quad (k+1 \text{ factors})$$

- is true.
- Thus by the principle of mathematical induction, $P(n)$ is true for all n

■ QED



Transitive closure

- The transitive closure of a relation R is the smallest transitive relation containing R .
- Review: R is transitive iff R^n is contained in R for all n .
- Hence, if there is a path from x to y then there must be an arc from x to y , or (x, y) is in R .



Theorem

$$t(R) = R^* = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} R^i$$

- Let R be a relation on a set A . then R^* is the transitive closure of R .
- Proof: we must show that R^*
 - 1) is a transitive relation
 - 2) contains R
 - 3) is the smallest transitive relation which contains R



Proof of Part 1)

- Suppose (x, y) and (y, z) are in R^* . Show (x, z) is in R^* .
 - By definition of R^* , (x, y) is in R^m for some m and (y, z) is in R^n for some n .
 - Then (x, z) is in $R^n \circ R^m = R^{m+n}$ which is contained in R^* .
 - Hence, R^* must be transitive.



Proof of Part 2)

- Easy from the definition of R^*
- $R^* = R \cup R^2 \cup R^3 \cup \dots$
- So $R \subseteq R^*$



Proof of Part 3)

- Now suppose S is any transitive relation that contains R , show S contains R^* (that is R^* is the smallest such relation).
 - $R \subseteq S$, so $R^2 \subseteq S^2 \subseteq S$ since S is transitive.
 - Therefore $R^n \subseteq S^n \subseteq S$ for all n . (Why ?)
 - Hence S must contain R^* since it must also contain the union of all the powers of R .
- Q. E. D.

Useful Results for Transitive Closure

- **Theorem:**

- If $A \subseteq B$ and $C \subseteq B$, then $A \cup C \subseteq B$.

- **Theorem:**

- If $R \subseteq S$ and $T \subseteq U$ then $R \circ T \subseteq S \circ U$.

- **Corollary:**

- If $R \subseteq S$ then $R^n \subseteq S^n$

$R \subseteq S$



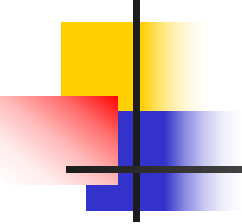
If $R \subseteq S$ and $T \subseteq U$ then
 $R \circ T \subseteq S \circ U$

- Proof:
 - If $(a,b) \in R \circ T$, then exist $(a,c) \in T$ and $(c,b) \in R$ for some c .
 - Because $R \subseteq S$ and $T \subseteq U$, so $(a,c) \in U$ and $(c,b) \in S$.
 - Therefore $(a,b) \in S \circ U$.
 - Hence $R \circ T \subseteq S \circ U$.
- Q. E. D.



If $R \subseteq S$ then $R^n \subseteq S^n$

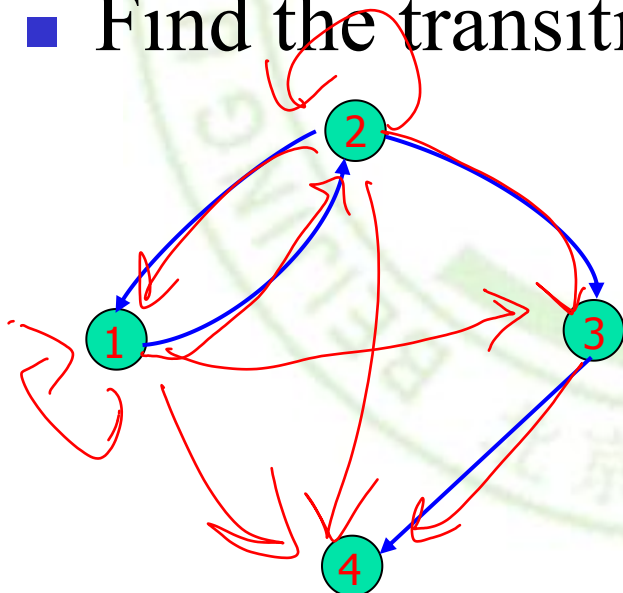
- Proof: Use theorem 1 or a proof by induction:
- *Basis*: Obviously true for $n = 1$.
- *Induction*:
 - The induction hypothesis:
 - assume theorem is true for n . $R^n \subseteq S^n$
 - Show it must be true for $n + 1$.

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- $R^{n+1} = R^n \circ R$ so if (x, y) is in R^{n+1} then there is a z such that (x, z) is in R and (z, y) is in R^n .
 - But since $R \subseteq S$ and $R^n \subseteq S^n$, (x, z) is in S and (z, y) is in S^n .
 - $S^{n+1} = S^n \circ S$, (x, y) is in S^{n+1} .
 - Hence $R^{n+1} \subseteq S^{n+1}$.

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Example

- Let
 - $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$
 - $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (2, 1)\}$
- Find the transitive closure of R .



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

Example

$$(M_R)_{\odot}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = (M_R)_{\odot}^4 = (M_R)_{\odot}^6 = \dots$$

$$(M_R)_{\odot}^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = (M_R)_{\odot}^5 = (M_R)_{\odot}^7 = \dots$$

一样

$$M_{R^{\infty}} = M_R \vee (M_R)_{\odot}^2 \vee (M_R)_{\odot}^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Theorem

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- Let A be a set with $|A|=n$, and let R be a relation on A . Then

$$R^* = \bigcup_{i=1}^n R^i = R \cup R^2 \cup \dots \cup R^n$$

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Proof

- Let a and $b \in A$ and suppose that $a, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m-1}, b$ is a path of length m from a to b in R .
 - $(a, x_1) \in R$
 - $(x_1, x_2) \in R$
 - \dots
 - $(x_{m-1}, b) \in R$
- a path of length m .*



Proof

- There are $m+1$ elements in the path, but we have only n distinct elements in A .
 - So, there must be some same vertex in the path, say $x_i = x_j = c$, $i < j$
 - $(a, x_1) \in R$
 - $(x_1, x_2) \in R$
 - ...
 - $(x_{i-1}, x_i) \in R$
 - $(x_i, x_{i+1}) \in R$
 - ...
 - $(x_{j-1}, x_j) \in R$
 - $(x_j, x_{j+1}) \in R$
 - ...
 - $(x_{m-1}, b) \in R$
- The red edges form a cycle in the path, we get a new path by deleting the cycle



Proof

- A new path from a to b by deleting the cycle
 - $(a, x_1) \in R$
 - $(x_1, x_2) \in R$
 - ...
 - $(x_{i-1}, x_i) \in R$
 - $(x_j, x_{j+1}) \in R$
 - ...
 - $(x_{m-1}, b) \in R$

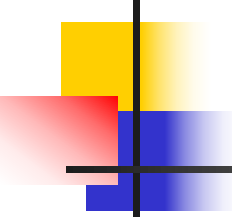
Proof

- A path from a to b ($x_i = x_j = c$)
 - $a, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{i-1}, c, x_{j+1}, \dots, x_{m-1}, b$
- The length is $k = m - j + i$.
- The process can continue until $k \leq n$, so we have
 - $R^m \subseteq R^k$
 - $\forall m (m > n \wedge (a, b) \in R^m \rightarrow \exists k (k \leq n \wedge (a, b) \in R^k))$
- Therefore

$$R^* = \bigcup_{i=1}^n R^i = R \cup R^2 \cup \dots \cup R^n$$

■ QED

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Algorithm 1 for $t(R)$

- procedure transitive closure (M_R : zero-one $n \times n$ matrix)
 - $A := M_R$
 - $B := A$
 - *for* $i := 2$ *to* n
 - $A := A \odot M_R$
 - $B := B \vee A$
 - *return* B { B is the zero-one matrix for R^* }

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Analysis

- Complexity of Algorithm

- $M_{R^*} = M_R \vee (M_R)_{\odot}^2 \vee \dots \vee (M_R)_{\odot}^n$

- $(n-1) * (n^2 * 2n + n^2)$ is $O(n^4)$.



Some definitions

- W_k : a Boolean matrix, for $1 \leq k \leq n$
 - W_k has a 1 in position i, j
 - If and only if
 - there is a path from a_i to a_j in R whose **interior vertices**, if any, come from the set $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k\}$
- What about W_0 W_n ?
 - Let $W_0 = W_R$
 - $W_n = W_R^*$
 - $W_0, W_1, W_2, \dots, W_n$

Composition of paths

- Let
 - $\pi_1: a, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}, b$
 - $\pi_2: b, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{m-1}, c$
- The composition of π_1 and π_2 is the path
 - $\pi_2 \circ \pi_1: a, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}, b, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{m-1}, c$
- *Note the order of composition!*

$\pi_2 \circ \pi_1$

注意顺序

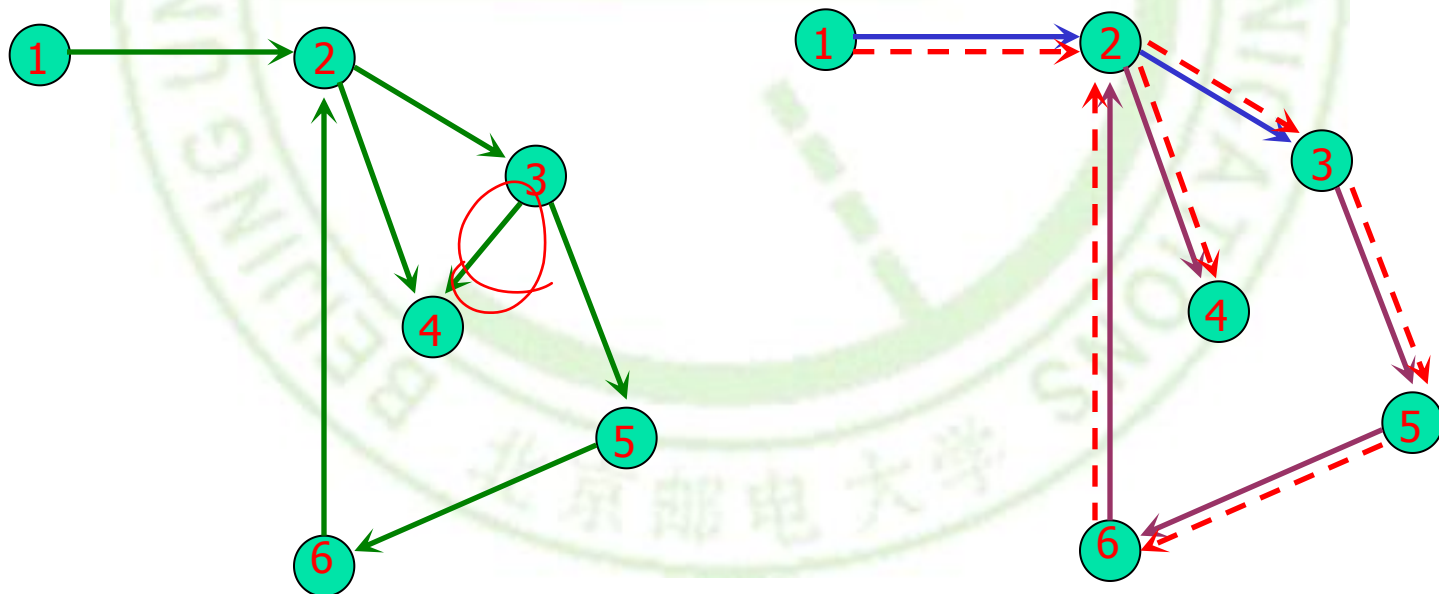
Example

- Consider the relation whose digraph is given in Figure and the paths

■ $\pi_1: 1, 2, 3$

$\pi_2: 3, 5, 6, 2, 4$

$\pi_2 \circ \pi_1$





Warshall's Algorithm

- Procedure 沃舍尔算法
 - begin with the matrix of R , and
 - compute each matrix W_k from the previous matrix W_{k-1} , and,
 - reach W_R^* in n steps,

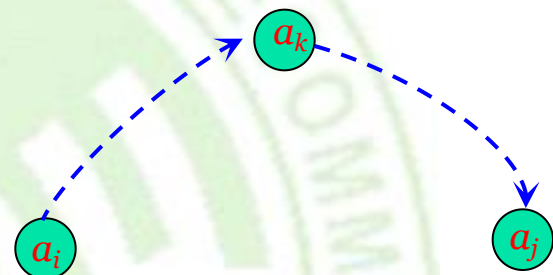
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Warshall's Algorithm

- Procedure Warshall(M_R : zero-one $n \times n$ matrix)
 - $W := M_R$
 - for $k := 1$ to n /* 下面直接更新 W */
 - for $i := 1$ to n
 - for $j := 1$ to n
 - $W[i,j] := W[i,j] \vee (W[i,k] \wedge W[k,j])$
 - return W { W_n is the zero-one matrix for R^* }

W_n is $t(R)$ Proof (1)

- Proof: Use a proof by induction.
- Suppose
 - $W_{k+1} = [t_{ij}]$
 - $W_k = [s_{ij}]$
- Basis: $k = 1, W_1 := M[i,j] \vee (M[i,1] \wedge M[1,j])$.
 - case 1: a_1 is not an interior vertex, so $T[i,j] = M[i,j]$.
 - case 2: a_1 is an interior vertex, so $T[i,j] = 1$.
 - So W_1 has a 1 in position i, j iff there is a path from a_i to a_j in R whose **interior vertices** come from the set $\{a_1\}$.



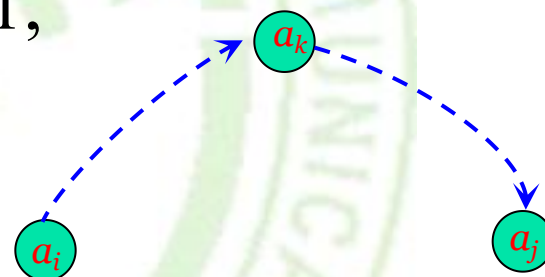
W_n is $t(R)$ Proof (2)

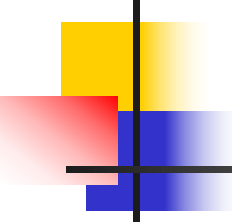
- *Induction:*

- The induction hypothesis:
- assume W_k has $s_{ij} = 1$, iff there is a path from a_i to a_j in R whose **interior vertices**, if any, come from the set $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k\}$.
- Show it must be true for W_{k+1} .
- $t_{ij} = 1$ if and only if
either $s_{ij} = 1$ or $s_{i,k+1} = 1$ and $s_{k+1,j} = 1$.

W_n is $t(R)$ Proof (3)

- *case 1*: $s_{ij} = 1$, then all interior vertices must actually come from the set $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k\}$.
- *case 2*: $s_{i,k+1} = 1$ and $s_{k+1,j} = 1$,
 - So a_{k+1} is an interior vertex.
 - Two subpaths
 - a_i to a_{k+1} and a_{k+1} to a_j
- Therefore W_{k+1} has $t_{ij} = 1$, *iff* there is a path from a_i to a_j in R whose **interior vertices**, if any, come from the set $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{k+1}\}$.





W_n is $t(R)$ Proof (4)

- Hence W_n has $t_{ij} = 1$, *iff* there is a path from a_i to a_j in R whose **interior vertices**, if any, come from the set $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$.
- So $W_n = R^* = t(R)$.

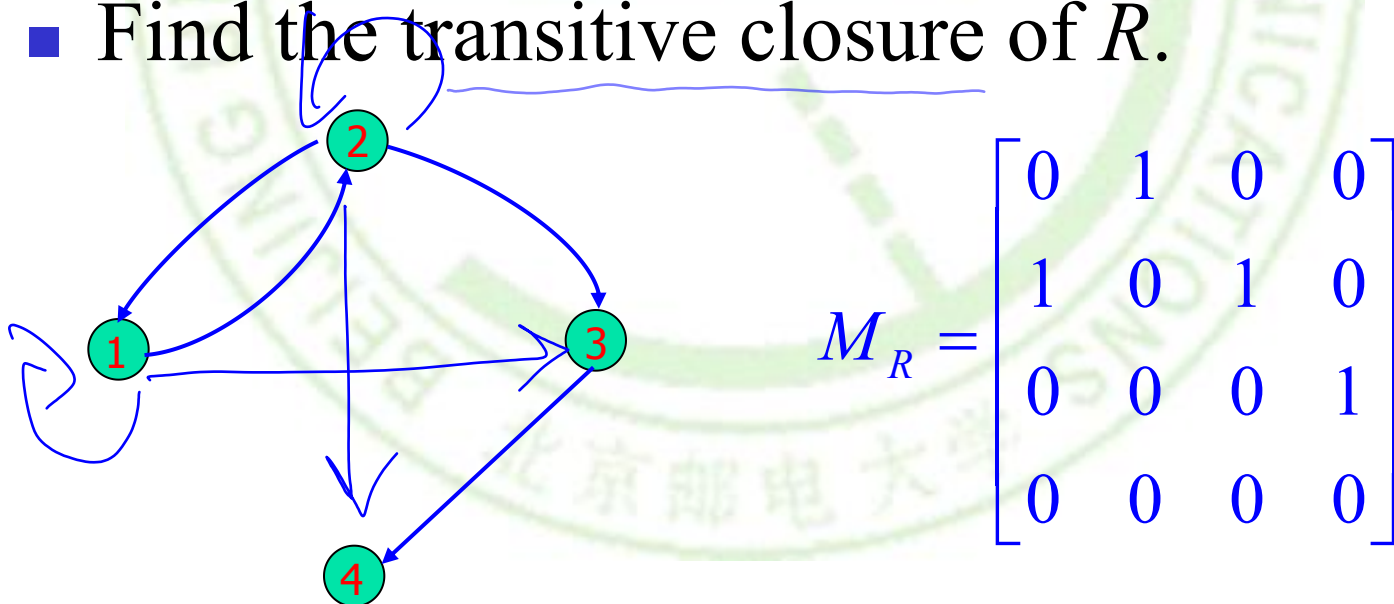


manual operation

- *Step1:*
 - First transfer to W_k all 1's in W_{k-1} .
- *Step2:*
 - List the locations p_1, p_2, \dots , in column k of W_{k-1} , where the entry is 1.
 - List the locations q_1, q_2, \dots , in row k of W_{k-1} , where the entry is 1.
- *Step3:*
 - Put 1's in all the positions p_i, q_j of W_k (if they are not already there)

Example (1)

- Let
 - $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$
 - $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (2, 1)\}$
- Find the transitive closure of R .



Example

$$W_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad W_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$W_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{0} & \underline{1} & \underline{0} & \underline{0} \\ \underline{1} & \underline{1} & \underline{1} & \underline{0} \\ \underline{0} & \underline{0} & \underline{0} & \underline{1} \\ \underline{0} & \underline{0} & \underline{0} & \underline{0} \end{bmatrix}$$

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

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

$$W_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{1} & \underline{1} & \underline{1} & \underline{0} \\ \underline{1} & \underline{1} & \underline{1} & \underline{0} \\ \underline{0} & \underline{0} & \underline{0} & \underline{1} \\ \underline{0} & \underline{0} & \underline{0} & \underline{0} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$W_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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沃部算呀:

W_1 , 看第1列哪行为1, 把这一行与第1行
逻辑与。

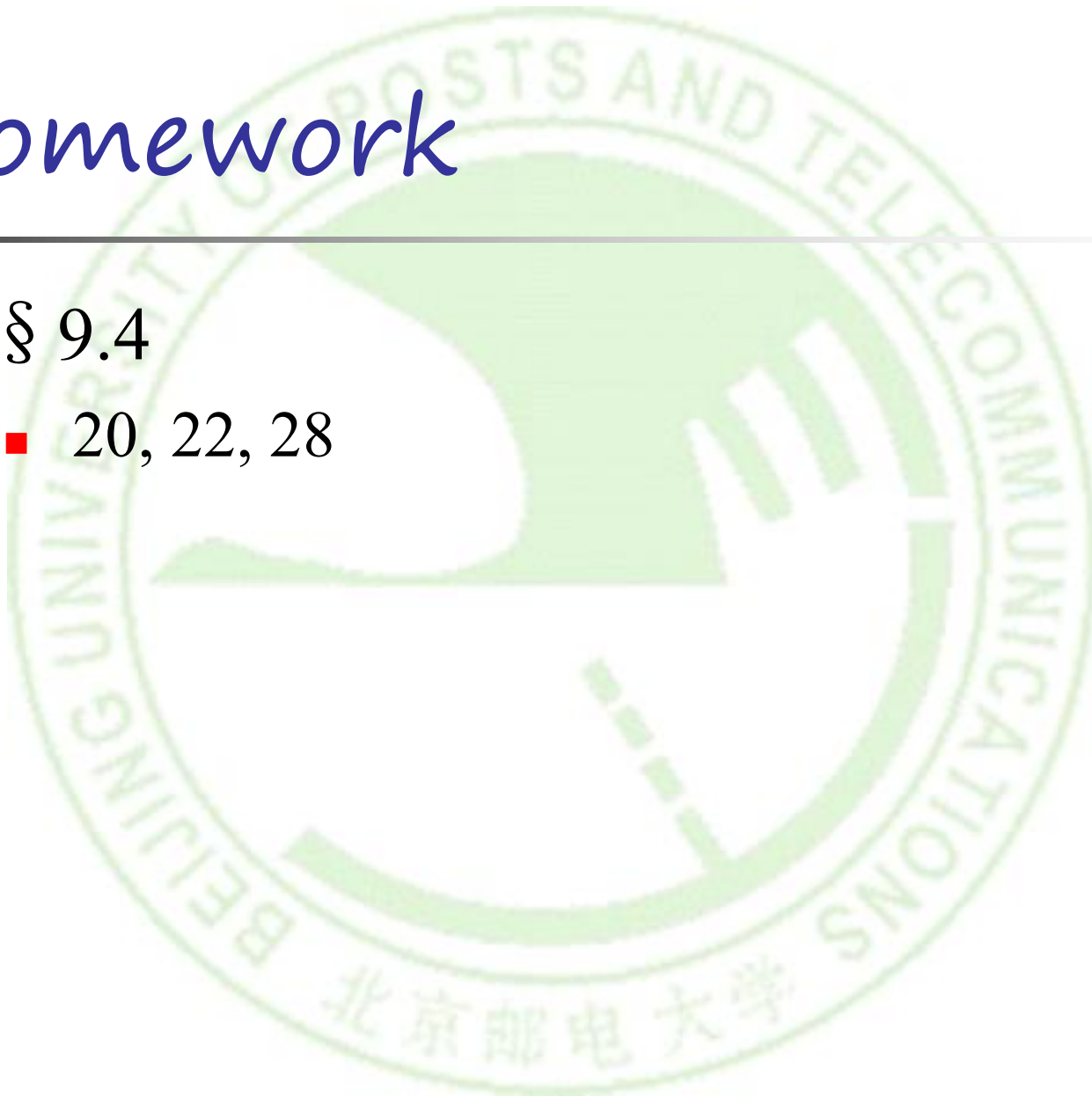
W_2 看第2列哪行为1, 把这一行与
第2行逻辑与。

W_k 看第k列哪行为1, 把这一行与第k行
逻辑与。



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Useful Results for Transitive Closure

■ Theorem:

- If R is transitive then so is R^n
- Trick proof: Show $(R^n)^2 = (R^2)^n \subset R^n$ 递归证明

■ Theorem:

- If $R^k = R^j$ for some $j > k$, then $R^{j+m} = R^n$ for some $n \geq j$.
- We don't get any new relations beyond R^j .