## RELATIONS, DIGRAPHS

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## RELATIONS, DIGRAPHS (07)

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#### Introduction

**Definition**: A binary relation from a set A to a set B is a subset  $R \subseteq A \times B = \{ (a,b) \mid a \in A, b \in B \}$ 

- Let A and B be nonempty sets. A relation R from A 'to' B is a subset of  $A \times B$ .
- If  $R \subseteq A \times B$  and  $(a, b) \in R$ , we say that a 'is related to' b by R, and we also write a R b.
- If a is not related to b by R, we write a k b.
- Frequently, A and B are equal. In this case, we often say that  $R \subseteq A \times A$  is a relation on A, instead of a relation from A to A.

#### Ex. 1:

Let  $A=\{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $B=\{r, s\}$ 

Then  $R=\{(1, r), (2, s), (3, r)\}$  is a relation from A to B.

#### Ex. 2:

Let  $A=\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}.$ 

Define the following relation R (less than) on A: a R b if and only if a < b.

Then  $R=\{(1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (1, 5), (2, 3), (2, 4), (2, 5), (3, 4), (3, 5), (4, 5)\}$ 

#### **DEFINITIONS**

- Let { A1, A2, ..., An } be a finite collection of sets. A subset R of A1 × A2 × ... × An is called an **n-ary relation** on A1, A2, ..., An.
- If  $R=\phi$ , then R is called **void** or **empty relation**.
- If R=A1  $\times$  A2  $\times$  ...  $\times$  An, then R is called the **universal** relation.
- If Ai =A for all i, then R is called an 'n ary relation on A'.
- If n=1, 2 or 3, then R is called a **unary**, **binary** or **ternary** relation respectively.
- Among the relations, binary relations are the most important being widely used in various applications.

## SET ARISING FROM RELATIONS

#### Domain of Relation R:

Let  $R \subseteq A \times B$  be a relation from A to B. The **domain** of R, denoted by **Dom** (R), is the set of elements in A that are related to some element in B. In other words, Dom (R), a subset of A, is the set of all first elements in the pairs that make up R.

#### Range of relation R:

Similarly, we define the **range** of R, denoted by **Ran** (R), to be the set of elements in B that are second elements of pairs in R, that is, all elements in B that are related to some element in A.

## Ex. 1: Let $A = \{ 1, 2, 3 \}$ , $B = \{ r, s \}$ and $R=\{(1, r), (2, s), (3, r)\}$ Dom (R)= $\{1, 2, 3\} = A$ Ran (R)= $\{ r, s \} = B$ Ex. 2: Let $A=\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}, B=\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ a R b, if and only if a < b $R=\{(1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (1, 5), (2, 3), (2, 4), (2, 5), (3, 4), (3, 4), (3, 4), (3, 4), (3, 4), (4, 5), (4, 5), (4, 5), ($ 5), (4, 5)Dom (R)= $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

Ran (R)= $\{2, 3, 4, 5\}$ 

## REPRESENTATION OF RELATION

## Graphical and tabular form:

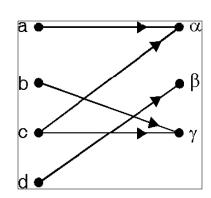
#### For Example:

Let 
$$A=\{a, b, c, d\}$$
,  $B=\{\alpha, \beta, \zeta\}$ 

and R is a relation from A to B.

R={
$$(a, \alpha), (b, \zeta), (c, \alpha), (c, \zeta), (d, \beta)$$
}

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & \alpha & \beta & \zeta \\ a & \sqrt{\phantom{a}} & \\ b & & \sqrt{\phantom{a}} \\ c & \sqrt{\phantom{a}} & \sqrt{\phantom{a}} \\ d & \sqrt{\phantom{a}} & \end{array}$$



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

#### **DIAGRAPH**

If A is a finite set and R is a relation on A, we can also represent R pictorially as follows:

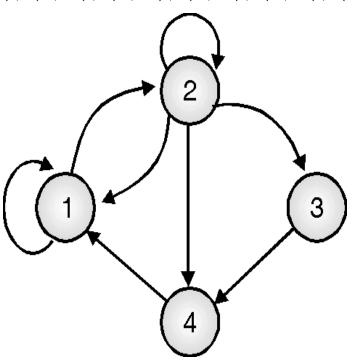
- (i)Draw a small circle for each element of A and label the circle with the corresponding element of A. These circles are called **vertices**.
- (ii)Draw an arrow, called an  $\mathbf{edge}$ , from vertex  $a_i$  to vertex  $a_j$  if and only if  $a_i \ R \ a_i$ .

The resulting pictorial representation of R is called a **directed graph** or **digraph** of R.

## **DIAGRAPH**

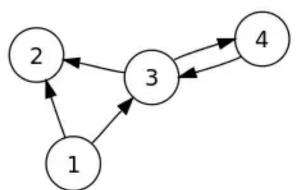
**Ex. 1:** Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ , Let R is a relation from A to A.

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



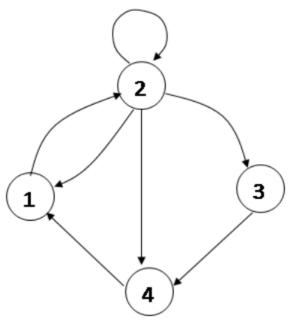
# DEGREE OF VERTEX IN A DIRECTED GRAPH

- A directed graph, each vertex has an **in-degree** and an **out-degree**.
- In-degree of a Graph-Number of edges which are coming into the vertex V.
- Out-degree of a Graph-Number of edges which are going out from the vertex V



VERTEX	1	2	3	4
In Degree	0	2	2	1
Out-degree	2	0	2	1

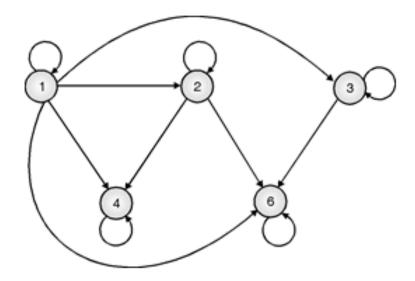
## FIND OUT IN-DEGREE AND OUT-DEGREE



VERTEX	1	2	3	4
In Degree	2	2	1	2
Out- degree	1	4	1	1

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$  and let R be the relation on A defined by 'x divides y'. Find R and draw the digraph of R. Find Matrix of R. Find inverse relation of R.

Soln.: 
$$R = \{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (1,6), (2,2), (4,4), (2,4), (2,6), (3,3), (3,6), (6,6)\}$$



Assume the rows and columns of M are each elled 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, since R is relation from A to A, matrix  $M_R$  is square, i.e.  $M_R$  has the same number row as column

$$\mathbf{M}_{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R^{-1} = \{(1,1), (2,1), (3,1), (4,1), (6,1), (2,2), (4,2), (4,4), (6,6), (6,2), (3,3), (6,3), \}$$

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\} = B$ , a R b if and only if a is a multiple of b. Find R and draw the digraph of R. Find Matrix of R. Find each of the following:

(i) R(3) (ii) R(6) (iii)  $R(\{2, 4, 6\})$ 

Solution:

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

$$Dom (R) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$$

$$Ran (R) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 6 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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, x1, x2, ..., xn – 1, b, beginning with a and ending with b, such that

#### a R x1, x1 R x2, ....., xn - 1 R b

Note that a path of length n involves n + 1 elements of A, although they are not necessarily distinct.

The **length** of a path is the number of edges in the path, where the vertices need not all be distinct.

A path that begins and ends at the same vertex is called a **cycle**.

R = { 
$$(1, 2), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 3)$$
} is a relation on A =  $\{1,2,3,4\}$ 

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

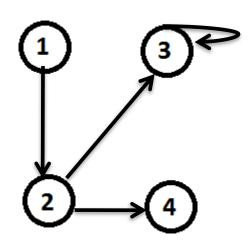
$$R^2 = \{(1,3), (1,4), (2,3), (3,3)\}$$

1 R<sup>2</sup> 3 Since 1 R 2 and 2 R 3

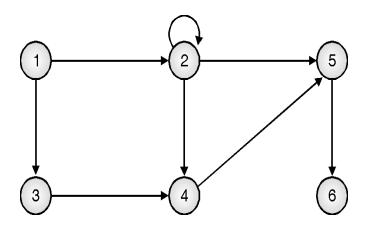
1 R<sup>2</sup> 4 Since 1 R 2 and 2 R 4 ...

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

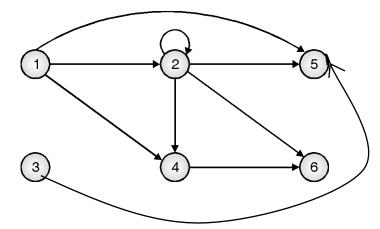
$$R^4 = \{ (1,3), (2,3), (3,3) \}$$



Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ . Let R be the relation whose digraph is shown in Fig. Find  $R^2$  and draw digraph of the relation  $R^2$ .

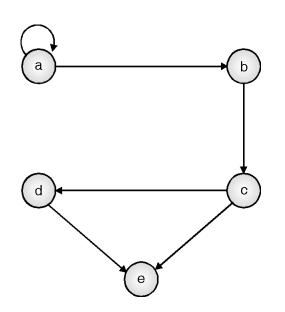


$1 R^2 2$	Since	1 R 2	and	2 R 2
$1 R^2 4$	Since	1 R 2	and	2 R 4
$1 R^2 5$	Since	1 R 2	and	2 R 5
$2 R^2 2$	Since	2 R 2	and	2 R 2
$2 R^2 4$	Since	2 R 2	and	2 R 4
$2 R^2 5$	Since	2 R 2	and	2 R 5
$2 R^2 6$	Since	2 R 5	and	5 R 6
$3 R^2 5$	Since	3 R 4	and	5 R 5
$4 R^2 6$	Since	4 R 5	and	5 R 6



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

Compute (i)  $R^2$  (ii)  $R\infty$ 



a R <sup>2</sup> a	Since	a R a	and	a R a
a $\mathbb{R}^2$ b	Since	a R a	and	a R b
a $\mathbb{R}^2$ c	Since	a R b	and	bRc
$b R^2 e$	Since	b R c	and	cRe
$b\;R^2\;d$	Since	b R c	and	c R d
с R <sup>2</sup> е	Since	c R d	and	d R e

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

e), (b, c), (b, d), (b, e), (c, d), (c, e), (d, e)}.

#### **BOOLEAN PRODUCT**

The 'Boolean product' of A and B, denoted  $A \odot B$  is the  $m \times n$  Boolean matrix.

$$C = [C_{ij}] \text{ defined by}$$
 
$$C_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a_{ik} = 1 \text{ and } b_{kj} = 1 \text{ for some } k, 1 \le k \le P \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$M_R^2 = M_R \odot M_R$$

$$M_R^n = M_R \odot M_R \odot \dots \odot M_R$$
 (n factors)

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

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

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

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## PROPERTIES/TYPES OF RELATIONS

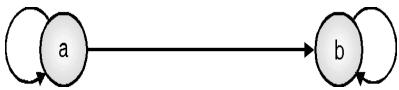
- Reflexive
- Symmetric
- Transitive
- Antisymmetric
- Asymmetric

### PROPERTIES: REFLEXIVITY

A relation R on a set A is **reflexive** if for 'every' element  $a \in A$ , a R a, i.e.  $(a, a) \in R$ .

R is not a reflexive relation if for 'some' element  $a \in A$ ,  $(a, a) \notin \mathbf{R}$ 

**Ex. 1**: Let  $A = \{a, b\}$  and let  $R = \{(a, a), (a, b), (b, b)\}$ . Then R is reflexive.



**Ex. 2**: Let A =  $\{1,2\}$  and let R =  $\{(1,1), (1,2)\}$ . R is not reflexive since  $(2,2) \notin R$ .

### PROPERTIES: SYMMETRY

A relation R on a set A is **symmetric** if whenever a R b, then b R a. It then follows that R is not symmetric if we have some a and  $b \in A$  with a R b, but  $b \Re a$ .

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Ex. 1 : A = { 1 , 2, 3} , Is R symmetric ?

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

Ex. 2 : A = { 1 , 2 , 3 , 4 } , Is R symmetric ?

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

Ex. 3 : A = {a, b, c, d, e}

R= { (a, b), (b, a), (a, c), (c, a), (b, c), (c, b), (b, e), (e, b), (e, d), (d, e), (c, d), (d, c)}
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### PROPERTIES: ASYMMETRIC RELATION

A relation R on a set A is **asymmetric** if whenever  $(a,b) \in R$ . then  $(b, a) \notin R$ . It then follows that R is not asymmetric if we have some a and  $b \in A$  with both  $(a,b) \in R$  and  $(b, a) \in R$ 

#### Examples:

- 1.Let A = IR, the set of real numbers and let R be the relation '<'. If a < b, then  $b \not< a$  (b is not less than a), so '<' is asymmetric.
- 2.Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and let  $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 2), (3, 4), (4, 1)\}$

Then, R is not asymmetric, since  $(2, 2) \in R$ .

3.Let  $A = Z^+$ , the set of positive integers, and let

 $R=\{(a, b) \in A \times A \mid a \text{ divides } b\}.$ 

If a = b = 3, say then a R b and b R a, so R is not asymmetric.

#### ANTISYMMETRIC RELATIONS

A relation R on a set A is **antisymmetric** if whenever a R b and b R a, then a = b.

The contrapositive of this definition is that R is antisymmetric if whenever  $a \neq b$ , then  $(a,b) \in \mathbb{R}$  or  $(b,a) \notin \mathbb{R}$ .

It follows that R is **not antisymmetric** if we have a and b in A,  $a \neq b$ , and both a R b and b R a.

### SYMMETRY VERSUS ANTISYMMETRY

- In a symmetric relation  $aRb \Leftrightarrow bRa$
- In an <u>antisymmetric</u> relation, if we have aRb and bRa hold only when a=b
- An antisymmetric relation is not necessarily a reflexive relation

 A relation that is not symmetric is not necessarily asymmetric

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

**Ex.:** Let A = Z, the set of integers, and let  $R = \{(a, b) \in A \times A \mid a < b\}$  Is R symmetric, asymmetric, or antisymmetric?

#### Soln.:

Symmetry: If a < b,then it is not true that b < a, so R is **not** symmetric.

Asymmetry: If a < b, then b a (b is not less than a), so R is asymmetric.

Antisymmetry: If  $a \neq b$ , then either a < b or b < a, so that R is **antisymmetric.** 

**Ex.:** Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and let  $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 3)\}$ . Is R symmetric, asymmetric, or antisymmetric?

#### Soln.:

Symmetry: R is not symmetric either since  $(2, 3) \in R$ 

but (3, 2) **∉** R

Asymmetry: R is also not asymmetric since both (1, 2) and  $(2, 1) \in R$ .

Antisymmetry: R is not antisymmetric since (1, 2) and  $(2, 1) \in R$ .

**Ex.**: Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and let  $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 2), (3, 4), (4,1)\}$ . Is R symmetric, asymmetric, or antisymmetric?

#### Soln.:

Symmetry: R is not symmetric, since  $(1, 2) \in \mathbb{R}$ , but  $(2, 1) \notin \mathbb{R}$ .

Asymmetry: R is not asymmetric, since  $(2, 2) \in R$ .

Antisymmetry: R is antisymmetric, since if  $a \neq b$ , either  $(a, b) \notin R$  or  $(b, a) \notin R$ .

### PROPERTIES: TRANSITIVITY

Definition: 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  $a,b,c \in A$ .

 $\forall a,b,c \in A ((aRb) \land (bRc)) \Rightarrow aRc$ 

Example

Let A = Z+, the set of positive integers, and let  $R = \{(a, b) \in A \times A \mid a \text{ divides b}\}$  Is R transitive? Soln.: a divides b, aRb and b divides c, bRc a divides c, aRc. Thus, R is transitive.

## SPECIAL CASES

1) Let A = { 1, 2, 3, 4 }
R= { (1, 2), (1, 3), (4, 2) }
Is R transitive?

#### **Ans: YES**

2)  $R = \{ \}$ 

Ans: Yes

3) A relation that is symmetric and anti-symmetric

Ans:  $R = \{(1,1),(2,2)\}$  on the set  $A = \{1,2,3\}$ 

Give examples of relations R on  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$  having the stated property.

- (i) R is transitive but not symmetric.
- (ii) R is symmetric but not transitive.
- (iii) R is both symmetric and anti-symmetric.
- (iv) R is neither symmetric nor anti-symmetric.

#### Solution:

- i.  $R=\{(1, 2), (2, 3), (1, 3)\}$
- ii.  $R=\{(1, 2), (2, 1)\}$
- iii.  $R = \{(1,1), (2,2)\}$
- iv.  $R=\{(1,2), (2,3), (3,2)\}$

Define a relation on the set {a, b, c, d} that is

- (i) transitive, reflexive and symmetric,
- (ii) symmetric and transitive.

#### Solution:

(i) Transitive, reflexive and symmetric,

$$A=\{a, b, c, d\}$$

R={(a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (d, d), (a, b), (b, a), (a, c), (c, a), (a, d), (d, a), (b, c), (c, b), (b, d), (d, b), (c, d), (d, c)}

(ii) Symmetric and transitive.

$$A=\{a, b, c, d\}$$

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

## IRREFLEXIVE RELATIONS

A relation R on a set A is **irreflexive** if a not related to a, i.e.  $(a, a) \notin R$  for every  $a \in A$ . Thus, R is irreflexive if no element is related to itself.

#### Examples

- 1. Let  $A = \{1, 2\}$  and let  $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 1)\}$ .
- 2. R is not reflexive (1,1)  $(2,2) \notin R$ Then R is irreflexive since (1,1)  $(2,2) \notin R$ .
- 3. Let  $A = \{1, 2\}$  and let  $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 2)\}$ . Then R is not irreflexive since  $(2, 2) \in R$ . Note that R is not reflexive either; since  $(1, 1) \notin R$ .

#### **IDENTITY RELATION**

Identity relation I on set A is reflexive, transitive and symmetric.

#### **Example:**

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

#### VOID RELATION

It is given by R: A  $\rightarrow$ B such that R =  $\emptyset$  ( $\subseteq$  A x B) is a null relation.

Void Relation  $R = \emptyset$  is symmetric and transitive but **not reflexive**.

#### Universal Relation

A relation R: A  $\rightarrow$ B such that R = A x B ( $\subseteq$  A x B) is a universal relation.

Universal Relation from  $A \rightarrow B$  is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

#### EXAMPLE

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ 

Determine whether the relation R whose digraph is given is reflexive, irreflexive, symmetric, asymmetric, antisymmetric or transitive.

R is not reflexive

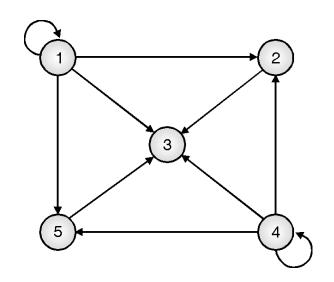
R is not irreflexive

R is not symmetric

R is not asymmetric

R is antisymmetric

R is transitive



### EXERCISE: PROPERTIES OF RELATIONS

State whether R satisfies property of reflexive , irreflexive , symmetry, asymmetry , antisymmetry , transitivity for A= $\{1,2,3,4\}$  R= $\{(1,1),(1,2),(2,1),(2,2),(3,3),(4,3),(3,4),(4,4)\}$  R= $\{(1,3),(1,1),(3,1),(1,2),(3,3),(4,4)\}$  R= $\{(1,1),(1,2),(2,1),(2,2),(3,3),(3,4)\}$  R= $\{(1,3),(1,4),(2,3),(2,4),(3,1),(3,4)\}$  R= $\{(1,1),(2,2),(3,3),(4,4)\}$ 

# EQUIVALENCE RELATION

A relation is an Equivalence Relation if it is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

Let  $A = \{a, b, c\}$  and

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

is an equivalence relation since it is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

# DETERMINE WHETHER R IS AN EQUIVALENCE RELATION

Let A = {a, b, c} and let , 
$$M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine whether R is an equivalence relation.

**Soln.:** 
$$R = \{(a, a), (b, b), (b, c), (c, b), (c, c)\}$$

R is reflexive since (a, a), (b, b),  $(c, c) \in R$ 

R is symmetric since  $(b, c) \in R \rightarrow (c, b) \in R$ 

R is transitive since,

Hence R is an equivalence relation.

# DETERMINE WHETHER R IS AN EQUIVALENCE RELATION

Let A = Z, the set of integers, and let R be defined by a R b if and only if  $a \le b$ . Is R an equivalence relation?

- Since  $a \le a$ , R is reflexive.
- If  $a \le b$ , it need not follow that  $b \le a$ , so R is not symmetric.
- Incidentally, R is transitive, since  $a \le b$  and  $b \le c$  imply that  $a \le c$ .
- We see that R is not an equivalence relation.

# DETERMINE WHETHER R IS AN EQUIVALENCE RELATION

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and

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

Determine whether the relation R on the set A is an equivalence relation.

#### Soln.:

R is reflexive since  $(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4) \in \mathbb{R}$ . R is not symmetric since,  $(4, 1) \in \mathbb{R}$  but  $(1, 4) \notin \mathbb{R}$ .

R is not transitive since,

 $(2, 1), (1, 3) \in \mathbb{R} \text{ but } (2, 3) \notin \mathbb{R}$ 

Hence given relation R is not an equivalence relation.

Let R be a binary relation on the set of all positive integers such that,

$$R = \{(a, b) \mid a - b \text{ is an odd positive integer}\}$$

Is R reflexive? Symmetric? Transitive? An equivalence relation?

Soln.: R is not Reflexive since

$$a - a = 0 \neq odd$$
 positive integer

R is not symmetric also, since, as if a R b then

$$a - b = 2n + 1$$
 where  $n = integer number$ 

if b R a thenb - a = -2n - 1 where n = integer number

R is not transitive since,

Let a R b and b R c

i.e. 
$$a - b = 2n_1 + 1$$

$$b-c = 2n_2 + 1 \dots i.e.$$
 odd positive integer

$$a-c = (2n_1+1)+(2n_2+1) = 2(n_1+n_2+1)$$

Hence R is not transitive.

Therefore R is not an equivalence relation.

# EQUIVALENCE CLASS AND PARTITIONS

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and consider the partition  $P = \{\{1, 2, 3\}, \{4\}\}$  of A.

Find the equivalence relation R on A determined by P "Each element in a block is related to every other element in the same block and only to those elements"  $R = \{(1,1),(1,2),(1,3),(2,1),(2,2),(2,3),(3,1),(3,2),(3,3),(4,4)\}$ 

#### PROBLEMS

Find the equivalence relation on A by P

- 1) Let  $A = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $P = \{\{a, b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}\}$
- $R = \{(a,a),(a,b),(b,b),(b,a),(c,c),(d,d)\}$
- 2) Let  $A=\{1,2,3,4,5\}$  and  $P=\{\{1,2\},\{3\},\{4,5\}\}\}$
- $R = \{(1,1),(1,2),(2,1),(2,2),(3,3),(4,4),(4,5),(5,5),(5,4)\}$
- 3) If  $\{\{1,3,5\},\{2,4\}\}$  is a partition on the set
- $A=\{1,2,3,4,5\}$ , determine the corresponding
- equivalence relation
- $R = \{(1,1),(1,3),(1,5),(3,1),(3,3),(3,5),(5,1),(5,3),(5,5),(2,3,3),(3,$
- 2),(2,4),(4,2),(4,4)

# EQUIVALENCE CLASS

Let  $A = \{1,2,3,4,5,6\}$  and let R be the equivalence relation on A defined by  $R = \{(1,1),(1,5),(2,2),(2,3),(2,6),(3,2),(3,3),(3,6),(4,4),(5,1),(5,5),(6,2),(6,3),(6,6)\}$ 

Find the equivalence classes of R and find the partition of A induced by R

$$R = \{(1,1),(1,5),(2,2),(2,3),(2,6),(3,2),(3,3) \\ ,(3,6),(4,4),(5,1),(5,5),(6,2),(6,3),(6,6)\}$$

Equivalence Classes:

$$R(1)=\{1,5\}$$

$$R(2) = \{2, 3, 6\}$$

$$R(3)=\{2,3,6\}$$

$$R(4) = \{4\}$$

$$R(5) = \{1, 5\}$$

$$R(6)=\{2,3,6\}$$

Therefore, the partition of A induced by R i.e.

$$A \mid R = \{\{1,5\}, \{2,3,6\}, \{4\}\}\}$$

Rank R (Number of distinct equivalence classes)

$$=3$$

#### PROBLEMS: FIND E-CLASSES, PARTITION AND RANK

1. Let A= $\{1,2,3\}$  and let R= $\{(1,1),(2,2),(1,3),(3,1),(3,3)\}$ . Find A | R.

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

 $A \mid R = \{\{1,3\}, \{2\}\}, Rank = 2$ 

2. Let A ={1,2,3,4},and let R={(1,1),(1,2),(2,1),(2,2),(3,4),(4,3),(3,3),(4,4)} Determine A | R.

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

 $A \mid R = \{\{1,2\}, \{3,4\}\} \text{ Rank} = 2$ 

3. Let  $A = \{1,2,3,4\}$ , and let

 $R=\{(1,1),(1,2),(1,3),(2,1),(2,2),(3,1),(2,3),(3,2),(3,3),(4,4)\}$  Show that R is an equivalence relation and determine the equivalence classes and hence find the rank of R

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

A | R={{1,2,3},{4}}

Rank=2

#### COMBINING RELATIONS

- Relations are simply... sets (of ordered pairs); subsets of the Cartesian product of two sets
- Therefore, in order to <u>combine</u> relations to create new relations, it makes sense to use the usual set operations
  - Compliment  $\bar{R}$
  - Intersection  $(R_1 \cap R_2)$
  - Union  $(R_1 \cup R_2)$
  - Set difference  $(R_1 \setminus R_2)$
  - Inverse R <sup>-1</sup>

#### EXAMPLES

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Let A = \{1,2,3\} and B = \{u,v\} and R1 = \{(1,u),(2,u),(2,v),(3,u)\} and R2 = \{(1,v),(3,u),(3,v)\} R1 \ U \ R2 = \{(1,u),(1,v),(2,u),(2,v),(3,u),(3,v)\} R \ 1 \cap R2 = \{(3,u)\} R \ 1 - R \ 2 = \{(1,u),(2,u),(2,v)\} R \ 2 - R \ 1 = \{(1,v),(3,v)\}
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#### EXAPLES

Let A={ 1, 2, 3, 4} and B={ a, b, c} and let 
$$R = \{(1,a),(1,b),(2,b),(2,c),(3,b),(4,a)\} \text{ and }$$
 
$$S = \{(1,b),(2,c),(3,b),(4,b)\}$$
 Compute 
$$R \cap S, R \cup S, R^{-1}$$
 
$$R \cap S = \{(1,b),(2,c),(3,b)\}$$
 
$$R \cup S = \{(1,a),(1,b),(2,b),(2,c),(3,b),(4,a),(4,b)\}$$
 
$$R^{-1} = \{(a,1),(b,1),(b,2),(c,2),(b,3),(a,4)\}$$

## COMBINING RELATIONS: EXAMPLE

#### Let

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A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}
B=\{1,2,3,4\}
R_1 = \{(1,2),(1,3),(1,4),(2,2),(3,4),(4,1),(4,2)\}
R_2 = \{(1,1),(1,2),(1,3),(2,3)\}
R_1 \cup R_2 = \{(1,1),(1,2),(1,3),(1,4),(2,2),(2,3),(3,4),(4,1),(4,2)\}
R_1 \cap R_2 = \{(1,2),(1,3)\}
R_1 - R_2 = \{(1,4),(2,2),(3,4),(4,1),(4,2)\}
R_2 - R_1 = \{(1,1),(2,3)\}
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#### COMPOSITE OF RELATIONS

• **Definition**: Let  $R_1$  be a relation from the set A to B and  $R_2$  be a relation from B to C, i.e.

$$R_1 \subseteq A \times B$$
 and  $R_2 \subseteq B \times C$ 

the <u>composite of</u>  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  is the relation consisting of ordered pairs (a,c) where a $\in$ A, c $\in$ C and for which there exists an element b $\in$ B such that (a,b) $\in$  $R_1$  and (b,c) $\in$  $R_2$ . We denote the composite of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  by

$$R_2 \circ R_1$$

#### COMPOSITE OF RELATIONS

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Ex: Let A = \{1,2,3\}, B = \{0,1,2\} and C = \{a,b\}
R = \{(1,0),(1,2),(3,1),(3,2)\}
S = \{(0,b),(1,a),(2,b)\}
S \circ R = ?
\{(1,b),(3,a),(3,b)\}
Since (1,0) \in \mathbb{R} and (0,b) \in \mathbb{S}, \therefore (1,b) \in \mathbb{S} o \mathbb{R}
Since (1,2) \in \mathbb{R} and (2,b) \in \mathbb{S}, \therefore (1,b) \in \mathbb{S} o \mathbb{R}
Since (3,1) \in \mathbb{R} and (1,a) \in \mathbb{S}, (3,a) \in \mathbb{S} o \mathbb{R}
Since (3,2) \in \mathbb{R} and (2,b) \in \mathbb{S}, \therefore (3,b) \in \mathbb{S} o \mathbb{R}
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#### PROBLEMS

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Let A = \{1, 2, 3\} and let
    R=\{(1,1),(1,3),(2,1),(2,2),(2,3),(3,2)\} and
    S = \{(1,1),(2,2),(2,3),(3,1),(3,3)\}.
    Find M_{SoR}
SoR = \{(1,1),(1,3),(2,1),(2,2),(2,3),(3,2),(3,3)\}
2. Let A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}
       R = \{(1,1),(1,2),(2,3),(2,4),(3,4),(4,1),(4,2)\}
       S = \{(3,1),(4,4),(2,3),(2,4),(1,1),(1,4)\}
Compute SoR,RoS,RoR,SoS
SoR = \{(1,1),(1,3),(2,1),(2,4),(3,4),(4,1),(4,4),(1,4)\}
RoS = \{(3,1),(3,2),(4,1),(4,2),(2,4),(2,1),(2,2),(1,1),(1,2)\}
RoR = ?
SoS = ?
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## **CLOSURES**

The 'smallest' relation  $R_1$  on A that contains R and possesses the property we desire. Sometimes  $R_1$  does not exist. If a relation such as  $R_1$  does exist, we call it the 'closure' of R with respect to the property in question.

#### REFLEXIVE CLOSURE

Let R be a relation on a set A, and R is not reflexive (i.e. some pairs of the diagonal relation  $\Delta$  are not in R).

A relation  $R_1 = R \cup \Delta$  is the reflexive closure of the relation R if  $R \cup \Delta$  is the smallest relation containing R which is reflexive.

$$R_1=R\cup\Delta$$

where  $\Delta$  is the set of elements of the type (a, a) where  $a \in A$ .

#### EXAMPLE

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\begin{array}{ll} A &= \{1,\,2,\,3\} \text{ and the relation } R \text{ is given by} \\ R &= \{(1,\,1),\,(1,\,2),\,(2,\,3)\} \text{ then} \\ R_1 &= R \cup \Delta \text{ where} \\ \Delta &= \{(1,\,1),\,(2,\,2),\,(3,\,3)\} \\ R \cup \Delta &= \{(1,\,1),\,(1,\,2),\,(2,\,2),\,(2,\,3),\,(3,\,3)\} \\ \text{Reflexive closure is,} \\ R_1 &= \{(1,\,1),\,(1,\,2),\,(2,\,2),\,(2,\,3),\,(3,\,3)\} \end{array}
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#### SYMMETRIC CLOSURE

Suppose that R is a relation on A that is not symmetric. Then there must exist pairs (x, y) in R such that (y, x) is not in R. Of course,  $(y, x) \in R^{-1}$ , so if R is to be symmetric, we must add all pairs from  $R^{-1}$ ; that is, we must enlarge R to  $R \cup R^{-1}$ . Clearly  $(R \cup R^{-1})^{-1} = R \cup R^{-1}$ , So  $R \cup R^{-1}$  is the smallest symmetric relation containing R; that is  $R \cup R^{-1}$  is the 'symmetric closure' of R.

#### **EXAMPLE**

A = {a, b, c, d} and R={(a, b), (b, c), (a, c), (c, d)} then R-1={(b, a), (c, b), (c, a), (d, c)} so the symmetric closure of R is

$$\label{eq:reconstruction} \begin{split} R \cup R^{-1} = & \{(a,\,b),\,(b,\,a),\,(b,\,c),\,(c,\,b),\,(a,\,c),\,(c,\,a),\,(c,\,d),\\ & (d,\,c) \} \end{split}$$

#### TRANSITIVE CLOSURE

Let R be a relation on a set A. Then the 'transitive closure' of a relation R is the smallest transitive relation containing R. The transitive closure of R is just the connectivity relation  $R^{\infty}$ .

R\*=Transitive closure of R

 $=R \cup \{(a, c), \text{ if and only if } (a, b), (b, c) \in R\}$ 

#### **EXAMPLE**

Find the transitive closure R\* of the relation R on A =  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  defined by the directed graph shown

#### Soln.:

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

Here transitive closure of R is

$$=R \cup \{(a, c) \mid if(a, b), (b, c) \in R\}$$

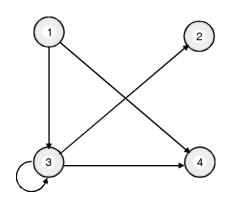
To find transitive closure

$$(1, 3) \in R$$
 and  $(3, 4) \in R$ , hence add  $(1, 4)$  in R

$$(1, 3) \in R \text{ and } (3, 3) \in R, \text{ hence add } (1, 3) \text{ in } R$$

$$(1, 3) \in R$$
 and  $(3, 2) \in R$ , hence add  $(1, 2)$  in R

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



#### MATRIX METHOD

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and let  $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (2, 1)\}$ . Find the transitive closure of R. The matrix of R is

$$\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{R}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$(M_R)_{\circ}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} (M_R)_{\circ}^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{R}})_{\odot}^{4} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_{R}^{\infty} = \mathbf{M}_{R} \, \mathbf{V} \, (\mathbf{M}_{R})_{\odot}^{2} \, \mathbf{V} \, (\mathbf{M}_{R})_{\odot}^{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### WARSHALL'S ALGORITHM

**Ex. 1:** Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and let  $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (2, 1)\}.$ 

Find transitive closure of R using Warshall's algorithm.

Solution:

First we find  $W_1$ , so that k = 1.  $W_0$  has 1's in location 2 of column 1 i.e. (2, 1) and location 2 of row 1 i.e. (1, 2)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} i & j \\ p_1:(2, 1) \\ & i & j \\ q_1:(1, 2) \\ add \ (p_i, q_j) \ i.e. \ (2, 2) \ in \ W_k \end{array}$$

Thus,  $W_1$  is just  $W_0$  with a new 1 in position (2, 2)

Matrix W<sub>1</sub> has 1's at row 1 and 2 of column 2 and columns 1, 2, and 3 of row 2. i.e.

We must put 1's in positions  $(p_i, q_j)$  i.e. (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 1), (2,2) and (2, 3) of matrix  $W_1$  (if 1's are not already there).

$$W_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$i \quad j \qquad \qquad i \quad j$$

$$p_{1} : (1, 3) \qquad p_{2} : (2, 3)$$

$$i \quad j$$

$$q_{1} : (3, 4)$$

$$(1, 4) \text{ and } (2, 4)$$

$$W_{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Finally,  $W_3$  has 1's in locations 1, 2, 3 of column 4 and no 1's in row 4, so no new 1's are added and  $MR_{\infty} = W_4 = W_3$ .

# THE SMALLEST EQUIVALENCE RELATION CONTAINING UNION OF TWO EQUIVALENCE RELATION

- o If R and S are two equivalent relations defined on the set A, then the smallest equivalence relation that contains both R and S is the transitive closure of R  $\cup$  S i.e.  $(R \cup S)^{\infty}$ .
- Find transitive closure using Warshall's Algorithms

#### EXAMPLE:

Let  $A = \{1,2,3,4,5\}$   $R = \{(1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (2,2), (3,3), (3,4), (4,3), (4,4), (5,5)\}$  and  $S = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (4,4), (4,5), (5,4), (5,5)\}$  The reader may verify that both R and S are equivalence relations. The partition  $A \mid R$  of A corresponding to R is  $\{\{1,2\}, \{3,4\}, \{5\}\}\}$ , and the partition  $A \mid S$  of A corresponding to S is  $\{\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4,5\}\}\}$ . Find the smallest equivalence relation containing R and S, and compute the partition of A that it produces.

$$\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{R}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{S}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$So M_{R \cup S} = M_R V M_S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We now compute  $M_{(R \cup S)^{\infty}}$  by Warshall's algorithm. First,  $W_o = M_{R \cup S}$ . We next compute  $W_1$  so k = 1. Since  $W_o$  has 1's in locations 1 and 2 of column 1 and in locations 1 and 2 of row 1, we find that no new 1's must be adjoined to  $W_1$ . Thus

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

To obtain  $W_1$ , we must put is in positions (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1) and (2, 2). We see that

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

Thus  $W_1 = W_0$ We now compute W2, so k = 2. Since  $W_1$  has 1's in locations 1 and 2 : of column 2 and in locations 1 and 2 of row 2, we find that no new 1's must be added to  $W_1$ . That is,

$$i \quad j \quad i \quad j$$
 $p_1 : (1, 2) \quad p_2 : (2, 2)$ 
 $i \quad j \quad i \quad j$ 
 $q_1 : (2, 1) \quad q_2 : (2, 2)$ 

To obtain  $W_2$ , we must put is in positions (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2). We see that

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

Thus  $W_2=W_1$ We next compute  $W_3$ , so k=3. Since  $W_2$ has 1's in locations 3 and 4 of column 3 and in locations 3 and 4 of row 3, we find that no new 1's must be added to  $W_2$ . That

$$i j i j$$
 $p_1 : (3, 3) p_2 : (4, 3)$ 
 $i j i j$ 
 $q_1 : (3, 3) q_2 : (3, 4)$ 

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To obtain  $W_3$ , we must put 1's in position (3, 3), (3, 4), (4, 3), (4, 4). We see that

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

Thus  $W_3 = W_2$ 

Things change when we now compute W4. Since W3 has I's in locations 3, 4, and 5 of column 4 and in locations 3, 4 and 5 of column 4, and in locations 3, 4 and 5 of row 4 we must add new 1's to W3 in positions 3, 5, and 5, 3, i.e.

To obtain W4, we must put 1's in positions (3, 3), (3, 4), (3, 5), (4, 3), (4, 4), (4, 5), (5, 3), (5, 4), (5, 5). We see that,

$$W_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

You may verify that  $W_5 = W_4$  and thus  $(R \cup S)^{\infty} = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (3, 4), (3, 5), (4, 3), (4, 4), (4, 5), (5, 3), (5, 4), (5, 5)\}$