

# Chapter two

## Relations

### 2-1 Introduction :-

$(a, b) = (b, a)$  unless  $a = b$

Further more ,  $(a, b) = (c, d)$  if and only if  $a = c$  ,  $b = d$

### 2-2 product sets :-

$A \times B$  read  $A$  cross  $B$

$A \times B = \{ (a, b) : a \in A \text{ and } b \in B \}$

$A^2$  instead of  $A \times A$

EX :-  $A = (1, 2)$  &  $B = (a, b, c)$

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

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

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

There are two things worth noting in the above example :-

First of all :-  $A \times B \neq B \times A$

Secondary ,  $n(A \times B) = 6 = 2 \times 3 = n(A) n(B)$

The idea of a product of sets

$A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n$  or  $\prod_{i=1}^n A_i$

### 2-3 Relations :-

If  $(x, y) \in R$  then  $x R y$

If  $(x, y) \in R$  then  $x \overset{R}{\sim} y$

The domain of a relation  $R$  is the set of all first element of the ordered pairs which belong to  $R$  , and the range of  $R$  is the set of second elements .

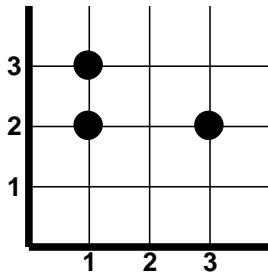
EX :- Let  $A = \{ 1, 2, 3 \}$  , and  $R = \{ (1, 2), (1, 3), (3, 2) \}$

Then  $R$  is Relation on  $A$  since it is a subset of  $A \times A$ .

$1 R 2$ ,  $1 R 3$ ,  $3 R 2$ , but  $1 \not R 1$ ,  $2 \not R 1$ ,  $2 \not R 2$ ,  $2 \not R 3$ ,  $3 \not R 1$ ,  $3 \not R 3$

The domain of  $R$  is  $\{1, 3\}$  and the range of  $R$  is  $\{2, 3\}$

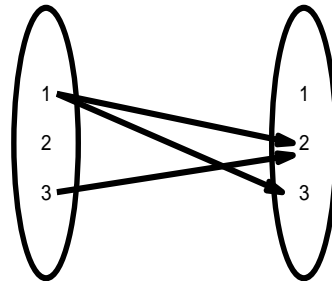
#### 2-4 :- pictorial Representations of Relations :-



(i)

	1	2	3
1	0	1	1
2	0	0	0
3	0	1	0

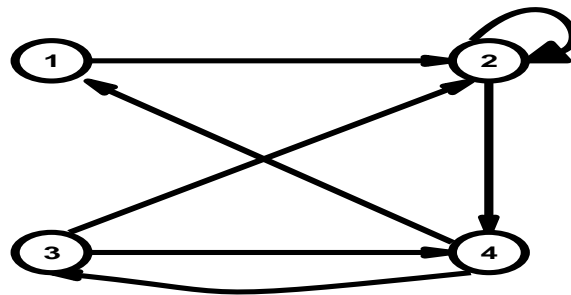
(ii)



(iii)

Coordinate diagram of  $A \times A$  ( matrix of the relation ) ( arrow diagram of the relation )

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



Directed graph of the relation

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

EX(1) :- Let  $A = \{ \text{eggs, milk, corn} \}$  and  $B = \{ \text{cows, goats, hens} \}$

We can define a relation  $R$  from  $A$  to  $B$  by  $(a, b) \in R$  if  $a$  is produced by  $b$ .

### Solution :-

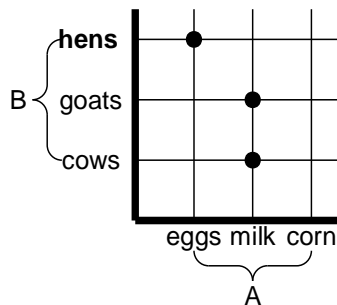
$$R = \{ ( \text{eggs} , \text{hens} ) , ( \text{milk} , \text{cows} ) , ( \text{milk} , \text{goats} ) \}$$

With respect to this relation

Eggs R hens , milk R cows , milk R goats

domain of  $R = \{ \text{eggs} , \text{milk} \}$

the range of  $R = \{ \text{hens} , \text{cows} , \text{goats} \}$



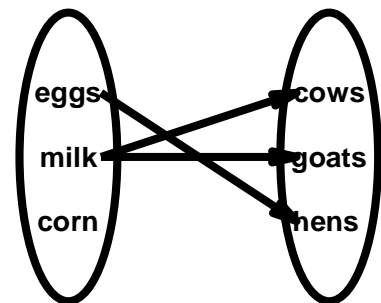
(i)

( ordinate diagram of  $A \times B$  )  
the relation)

	B		
	cows	goats	hens
A			
eggs	0	0	1
milk	1	1	0
corn	0	0	0

(ii)

(matrix of the relation )



(iii)

(arrow diagram of

**EX(2):-** suppose we say that two countries are adjacent if they have some part of their boundaries in common . Then “ is adjacent to” is a relation  $R$  on the countries of the earth .

**Sol .**

$( \text{Italy} , \text{Switzerland} ) \in R$  but  $( \text{Canada} , \text{Mexico} ) \notin R$

### 2-5 Inverse Relation :-

Let  $R$  be relation from  $A$  to  $B$ . Then inverse of  $R$  denoted by  $R^{-1}$ , is the relation from  $A$  to  $B$  which consists  $R$  those ordered pairs which when reversed belong to  $R$  :-

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

In the other words,  $b R^{-1} a$  if and only if  $a R b$

EX(1) :-  $A = \{ 1, 2, 3 \}$

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

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

EX(2):- Then inverse of the relation defined by

“  $X$  is taller than  $Y$  “

“  $X$  is shorter than  $Y$  “

Solu:-

$$R^{-1}$$

$$M_R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \& \quad M_{R^{-1}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = M_R^T$$

## 2-6 :- Composition of Relation :-

IF  $R \subset A \times B$

&  $S \subset B \times C$

$R$  &  $S$  a relation from  $A$  to  $C$  denoted by  $R \circ S$

Defined by :-

$A (R \circ S) C$  if for some  $b \in B$  we have  $a R b$  &  $b S c$

$$R \circ S = \{ (a, c) : \text{There exists } b \in B \text{ for which } (a, b) \in R \text{ and } (b, c) \in S \}$$

The relation  $R \circ S$  is called the composition of  $R$  and  $S$

EX:- Let  $A = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4 \}$ ,  $B = \{ a, b, c, d \}$ ,  $C = \{ x, y, z \}$

and let  $R = \{(1, a), (2, d), (3, a), (3, b), (3, d)\}$

$S = \{(b, x), (d, z), (c, y), (d, z)\}$

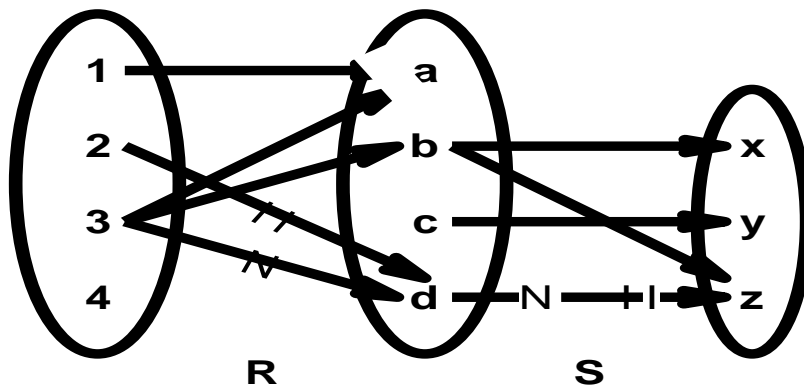


Fig ( arrow diagram of R and S )

We can view two arrows as “ a path “

Similarly  $2(R \circ S)Z$  since  $2Rd$  and  $dSz$

$3(R \circ S)X$

$3(R \circ S)z$

No other element of A is connected to an element of C . Accordingly

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

$M_R$  &  $M_S$  denote respectively the matrices of the relation R & S , Then .

$$M_R = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} a & b & c & d \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \quad \& \quad M_S = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} x & y & z \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$M = M_R M_S = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} x & y & z \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$M = M_R M_S = M_{R \circ S}$$

**Theorem 2.1 :-** let A , B , C and D be sets , suppose R is a relation from A to B , S is a relation from B to C and T is a relation from C to D Then  $(R \circ S) \circ T = R \circ (S \circ T)$

2-7 properties of relation :-

- (1) R is reflexive if  $a R a$  for every  $a$  in A
- (2) R is symmetric if  $a R b$  implies  $b R a$
- (3) R is anti – symmetric if  $a R b$  and  $b R a$  implies  $a = b$
- (4) R is transitive if  $a R b$  and  $b R c$  implies  $a R c$

**EX(1) :-** consider the relation C of set inclusion on any collection C of sets . note that :-

- (1)  $A \subset A$  for any set A in C , S o C is reflexive .
- (2)  $A \subset B$  does not imply  $B \subset A$  , S o C is not symmetric .
- (3) If  $A \subset B$  and  $B \subset A$  then  $A = B$  , S o C is anti – symmetric
- (4) If  $A \subset B$  and  $B \subset C$  then  $A \subset C$  , S o C is transitive .

( we assume that C has more the one set )

**EX (2) :-** consider the relation  $=$  of quality on any set A . Note that  $=$  satisfies all four of the above properties  $a \in A$  .

- (1)  $a = a$  for any element  $a \in A$
- (2) if  $a = b$  then  $b = a$
- (3) if  $a = b$  and  $b = a$  then  $a = b$
- (4) if  $a = b$  and  $b = c$  then  $a = c$

**EX (3) :-** consider the relation  $R = \{ (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 3) \}$  on  $A = \{ 1, 2, 3 \}$  , Then .

- (1) 2 is in A but  $2 R 2$  is not reflexive .
- (2)  $2 R 3$  but  $3 R 2$  but is not symmetric
- (3)  $1 R 2$  and  $2 R 1$  but  $1 \neq 2$  is not anti symmetric .
- (4)  $1 R 2$  and  $2 R 3$  but  $1 R 3$  S o R is not transitive .

**Partition :-** let S be any nonempty set , A partition of S is a subdivision of S into non overlapping , non empty subset precisely , a partition of S a collection  $[ A_i ]$  of non empty subset of S such that :-

- (i) Each  $a$  in S belongs to one of the  $A_i$  .
  - (ii) The sets of  $[ A_i ]$  are mutually disjoint .
- The subset in a partition are called cells .

**EX :-** consider the following collection of subsets of  $S = \{ 1, 2, \dots, 8, 9 \}$

- (i)  $\{ \{ 1, 3, 5 \}, \{ 2, 6 \}, \{ 4, 8, 9 \} \}$
- (ii)  $\{ \{ 1, 3, 5 \}, \{ 2, 4, 6, 8 \}, \{ 5, 7, 9 \} \}$

**(iii)  $[\{1, 3, 5\}, \{2, 4, 6, 8\}, \{7, 9\}]$**

**Then :-**

- (i) is not a partition of S since 7 in S does not belong of any of the subsets , furthermore .**
- (ii) Is not a partition of S since  $\{1, 3, 5\}$  and  $\{5, 7, 9\}$  are not disjoint on the other hand .**
- (iii) Is a partition of S .**