

ABSTRACT REDUCTION SYSTEMS

(FORMAL METHODS)

(notes from reader & nipkon Ch1 & 2 on reserve in the library).

$$A = \mathbb{R}$$

$$a \rightarrow b \text{ if } b = a^2$$

$$a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow d:$$

$$3+4 \rightarrow 7 \quad (\text{reduction})$$

$$2 * (3+4) \rightarrow 2 * 7 \rightarrow 14 \rightarrow$$

$$A = \mathbb{N}$$

$$a \rightarrow b \text{ if } a = b+1$$

$$5 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow$$

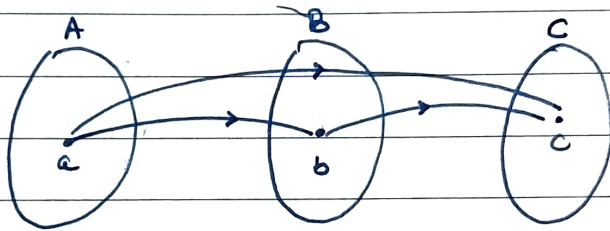
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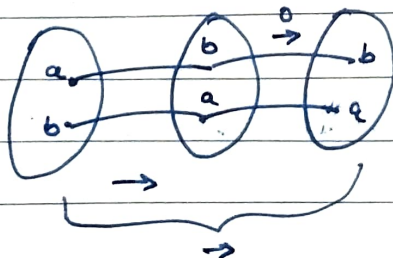
$$5 \rightarrow 6 \rightarrow 7 \rightarrow \dots$$

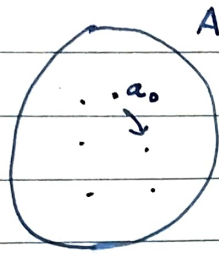
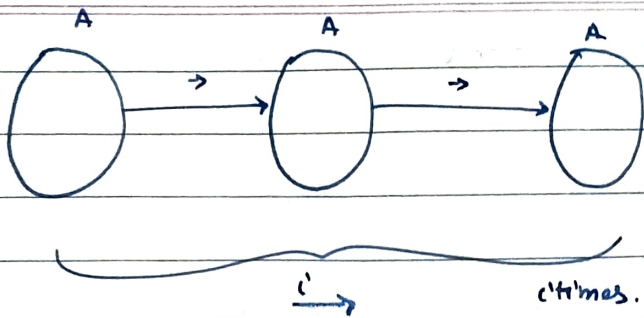
## 1. COMPOSITION OF RELATIONS

let  $R \subseteq A \times B$  & $S \subseteq B \times C$ the  $R;S \subseteq A \times C$ 

$$R;S = \{(a,c) \in A \times C \mid \exists b \in B : (a,b) \in R \text{ \& } (b,c) \in S\}$$

(let  $\rightarrow$  be a binary relation on  $A$ )[let  $(A, \rightarrow)$  be an abstract reduction system]
 $\xrightarrow{0}$  defined as.  $\{(a,a) \mid a \in A\}$  identity relation.  
df

 $\xrightarrow{n+1} = \text{df.} = \rightarrow; \xrightarrow{n}$  fold composition  $n \geq 0$ 




$i$  fold composition

$a \xrightarrow{i} b$  = there is a path of length  $i$  from  $a$  to  $b$ .

$$\xrightarrow{+} = \text{df} = \bigcup_{i \geq 0} \xrightarrow{i} \quad \text{transitive closure}$$

$x \xrightarrow{+} y$  means that

a path of length  $i$ .

$$x \xrightarrow{n} y$$

for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\xrightarrow{*} = \text{df} = \xrightarrow{+} \cup \xrightarrow{0} \quad \text{reflexive transitive closure}$$

$$\xrightarrow{=} = \text{df} = \rightarrow \cup \xrightarrow{0} \quad \text{reflexive closure}$$

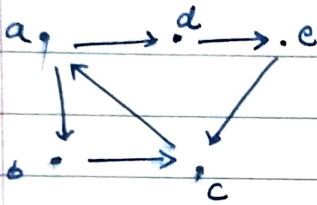
$$\xrightarrow{-1} = \text{df} = \{ (a', a) \mid a \rightarrow a' \} \quad \text{inverse}$$

if  $a \rightarrow b$  then by defn.  $b \xrightarrow{-1} a$   $b \leftarrow a$

$$a \leftrightarrow b = \text{df} = \rightarrow \cup \overset{\leftarrow}{\rightarrow}$$

$$\overset{*}{\leftrightarrow} = \text{df} = (\leftrightarrow)^* \text{ reflexive transitive closure of } \leftrightarrow$$

$$\overset{+}{\leftrightarrow} = \text{df} = (\leftrightarrow)^+ \text{ transitive closure}$$



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

$$\rightarrow = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} a \rightarrow d, a \rightarrow b, \\ b \rightarrow c, d \rightarrow e, \\ d \rightarrow c, e \rightarrow c \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\overset{0}{\rightarrow} = \{(a, a), (b, b), \dots, (e, e)\}$$

$$\overset{1}{\rightarrow} = \rightarrow$$

$$\overset{2}{\rightarrow} = \{a \overset{2}{\rightarrow} c, c \overset{2}{\rightarrow} b, a \overset{2}{\rightarrow} e, e \overset{2}{\rightarrow} a\}$$

$$\overset{\geq}{\rightarrow} = \{(x, y) \mid y \text{ is reachable from } x \text{ in 1 or more steps}\}$$

$$\overset{\leftarrow}{\rightarrow} = \text{reverse all edges.}$$

$$\rightarrow \cup \overset{\leftarrow}{\rightarrow} = \leftrightarrow$$

~~Not~~ <sup>great</sup> here

1. a reduces to  $a'$  if  $a \rightarrow a'$

→ defined on the same set (ARS).

2.

$$(3+4) \rightarrow 7$$

$$3+4 = 7$$

$$= 5+2$$

$$(5+2) \rightarrow 7$$

$$3+4 = 5+2$$

$$7 \xrightarrow{-1} 3+4$$

equality is a symmetrical relation.

## TERMINOLOGY

1. a reduces to  $a'$  = df =  $a \rightarrow a'$

2. a is reducible if  $\exists a' \in A : a \rightarrow a'$

in the ARS  $(M, \rightarrow)$  where  $a \rightarrow b$  iff  $a = b+1$

the element 0 is not reducible.

all other elements are reducible.

discrete mathematics - all graphs

3. a simplifies to  $b$  iff

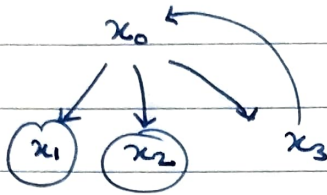
$$a \xrightarrow{*} b$$

4. a is in normal form if  $a$  is irreducible.

(model of computing)



$b$  is a normal form of  $a$  if  
 $a \xrightarrow{*} b$  and  $b$  is a normal form.



$$x_0 \xrightarrow{*} x_1$$

$$x_0 \xrightarrow{*} x_2$$

$$x_3 \xrightarrow{*} x_1$$

$$x_3 \xrightarrow{*} x_2$$

$$x_1 \xrightarrow{*} x_1$$

$$x_2 \xrightarrow{*} x_2$$

$x_1$  is a NF  $x_1, x_0, x_3$

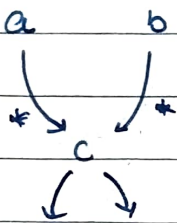
$x_2$  is a NF  $x_2, x_0, x_3$

$x_1$  and  $x_2$  NFs.

$x_0$  and  $x_3$  are not NFs.

$a$  and  $b$  are joinable if  $\exists c \in A$  st.

$$a \xrightarrow{*} c \text{ and } b \xrightarrow{*} c$$



$x_3$  and  $x_0$  are joinable

(Symmetric relation)

(meeting) possible?

## PROPERTIES OF ABSTRACT REDUCTION SYSTEMS

an ARS  $(A, \rightarrow)$  is

1. normalizing iff every element of  $A$  simplifies to a normal form, i.e., every element has a normal form.
2. terminating iff there is no infinite sequence  
 $a_0 \rightarrow a_1 \rightarrow \dots$

$x_0 \rightarrow x_1 \rightarrow x_2 \rightarrow \dots$  (not normalizing)

$x_0 \rightarrow x_1$

	term.	non-term.
norm.		
not-normal.		

terminating ARS  $\Rightarrow$  normal form.

if  $(A, \rightarrow)$  is terminating then  $(A, \rightarrow)$  is normalizing.

normalizing ARS  $\nRightarrow$  terminating.