

# Module 11

## Relations

Ordered Pair (2-Tuple): given two sets  $A, B$ , an ordered pair is a tuple  $(a, b)$  where  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ .

\* order matters  $(a, b) \neq (b, a)$ .

Cartesian Product Set: of the two sets  $A$  and  $B$ , the Cartesian product set is the set of all ordered pairs that can be created from the two sets.

$$A \times B = \{ (a, b) \mid \forall a \in A, \forall b \in B \}$$

Ex 1: If  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $B = \{a, b, c\}$ , find  $\underline{A \times B}$

$$\begin{aligned} A \times B &\neq B \times A \\ (a, b) &\neq (b, a) \end{aligned}$$

$$A \times B = \{(1, a), (1, b), (1, c), (2, a), (2, b), (2, c), (3, a), (3, b), (3, c)\}$$

	a	b	c
1	(1, a)	(1, b)	(1, c)
2	(2, a)	(2, b)	(2, c)
3	(3, a)	(3, b)	(3, c)

9 Ordered pairs.

Cardinality of the Cartesian Product Set The number of ordered pairs that make the Cartesian Product Set.

$$|A \times B| = |A| |B|$$

$$|A| = 3 = |B| \quad |A \times B| = 3 \times 3 = 9$$

**Relation R:** A relation on two sets  $A$  and  $B$  is any subset of the Cartesian product.

$$\underbrace{A^R_B}_{\subseteq} \subseteq A \times B$$

"Relation R from A to B"

①  $A^R_B$

②  $x R y$   
where  $x \in A$   
and  $y \in B$

The number of possible relations from sets  $A$  and  $B$  =

③  $R(x, y)$   
where  $x \in A$  and  $y \in B$ .  
 $2^{|\mathcal{A}| \times |\mathcal{B}|}$

**Relation Examples**  $x^Ry$  :  $x$  is less than  $y$ .  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$(4, 5)$$

$$(-8, 3)$$

$$(0, 2.5) \times$$

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

Ex 2: If  $A = \{1\}$  and  $B = \{a, b\}$ , find ALL possible relations R

$$2^{|A||B|} = 2^{1 \cdot 2} = 2^2 = 4$$

$$\{\}, \{(1, a)\}, \{(1, b)\}, \{(1, a), (1, b)\}.$$

$$\{(1, a)\} \subseteq \{(1, a), (1, b)\}.$$

The number of possible relations from sets A and B =  $2^{|A||B|} = 2^2 = 4$ .

Note: R is a set

$$\text{If } A_1 \subseteq A_2 \text{ then } R(A_1) \subseteq R(A_2)$$

$$R(A_1 \cup A_2) = R(A_1) \cup R(A_2)$$

$$R(A_1 \cap A_2) \subseteq R(A_1) \cap R(A_2).$$

Let R and S be relations from A and B

$$\text{If } R(a) = S(a) \quad \forall a \in A \text{ then } R = S.$$

Domain of a Relation R the set of all values that show up as first element or object or term of an ordered pair in the relation.

Range of a Relation R the set of all values that show up as second element / term of an ordered pair in the relation.  $D = \{1, 3\}$

Relation Representations  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$   $A^R_A$

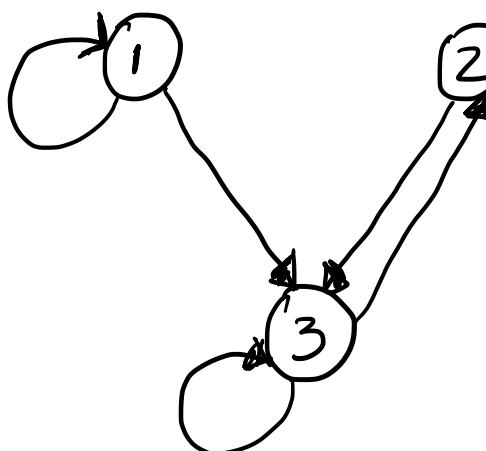
1. Enumeration (List)

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

② Matrix.

$$\begin{matrix} & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{matrix}$$

(Directional graph)  
3. Digraph



$$R = \{(1,a), (1,b)\}$$

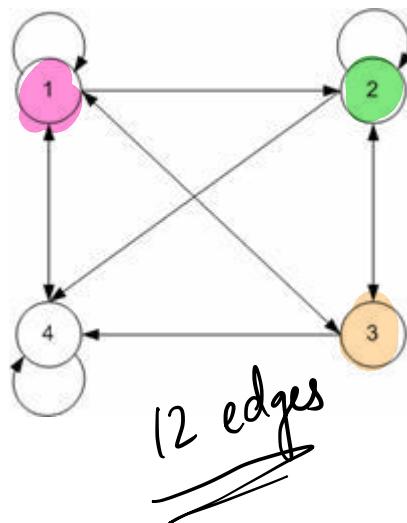
$$\text{Range} = \{a, b\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \times A &= \{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3) \\ &\quad (2,1), (2,2), (2,3), (3,1) \\ &\quad (3,2), (3,3)\} \end{aligned}$$

$$A^R_A \subseteq A \times A$$

$$2^{|A| \times |A|} = 2^{3 \times 3} = 2^9$$

Ex 3: Write the list and matrix representation for R on  $A=1, 2, 3, 4$ :



① Enumeration /list :

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

12 ordered pairs

② Matrix

	1	2	3	4
1	1	1	1	1
2	0	1	1	1
3	1	1	0	1
4	1	0	0	1

## Properties of Relations

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

$A \times A = \text{cross product or Cartesian product}$   
 $R \subseteq A \times A$

- Reflexive Every element in set A is related to itself.

#  $(a, a) \in R$

# diagonal entries must be all 1.

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

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

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

- Irreflexive No elements in A is related to itself.

#  $(a, a) \notin R$  or  $a \not R_a \forall a \in A$ .  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$

# diagonal entries must be all 0.

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

- Symmetric If  $(a, b) \in R$ , then  $(b, a) \in R$   $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$

# matrix and transpose must be equal

$$T(R) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

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

## Properties of Relations

- Asymmetric If  $(a,b) \in R$ , then  $(b,a) \notin R$ . And all 0's on the main diagonal.

# every 1 is paired with 0 opposite to it across main diagonal.

- Antisymmetric If  $(a,b) \in R$  and  $(b,a) \notin R$  then 1 may exist on the main diagonal

# every 1 is paired with a zero opposite to it across main diagonal.

- Transitive If  $(a,b) \in R$  and  $(b,c) \in R$ , then  $(a,c) \in R$  (In the diagonal 1's or 0's)

# ( $\text{If } a_{ij} = 1 \text{ and } a_{jk} = 1, \text{ then } a_{ik} = 1$ )

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

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

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

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

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

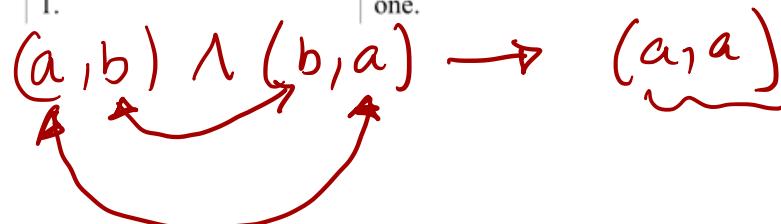
$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

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

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

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

Property	Definition	Identification with a matrix	Identification with a digraph
Reflexive	A relation R on a set A is reflexive if $(a, a) \in R$ for all $a \in A$ .	All 1's on the main diagonal	Every vertex has a cycle of length 1
Irreflexive	A relation R on a set A is irreflexive if $(a, a) \notin R$ for all $a \in A$ .	All 0's on the main diagonal	No vertex has a cycle of length 1
Symmetric	A relation R on a set A is symmetric if whenever $(a, b) \in R$ , then $(b, a) \in R$ .	The matrix is symmetric across the main diagonal	Every edge is undirected, i.e., it goes both ways.
Asymmetric	A relation R on a set A is asymmetric if whenever $(a, b) \in R$ , then $(b, a) \notin R$ .	All 0's on the main diagonal and every 1 in the matrix is paired with a 0 opposite it across the main diagonal.	No cycles of length 1 and every edge is directed, i.e., no edge can be paired with an equal edge in the opposite direction.
Antisymmetric	A relation R on a set A is antisymmetric if whenever $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$ , then $a = b$ .	1's may exist on the main diagonal, but every 1 in the matrix is paired with a 0 opposite it across the main diagonal.	Cycles of length 1 are allowed, but every edge is directed, i.e., no edge can be paired with an equal edge in the opposite direction.
Transitive	A relation R on a set A is transitive if whenever $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$ , then $(a, c) \in R$ .	Not obvious: If $a_{ij} = 1$ and $a_{jk} = 1$ , then $a_{ik}$ must equal 1.	Every path of length two must be "matched" with a path of length one.



Ex 4: Given the following matrix representations of relations, identify if each of them are reflexive, irreflexive, symmetric, asymmetric, antisymmetric, and/or transitive:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = M_{R_1}$$

(a)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = M_{R_2}$$

(b)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = M_{R_3}$$

(c)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = M_{R_4}$$

(d)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = M_{R_5}$$

(e)

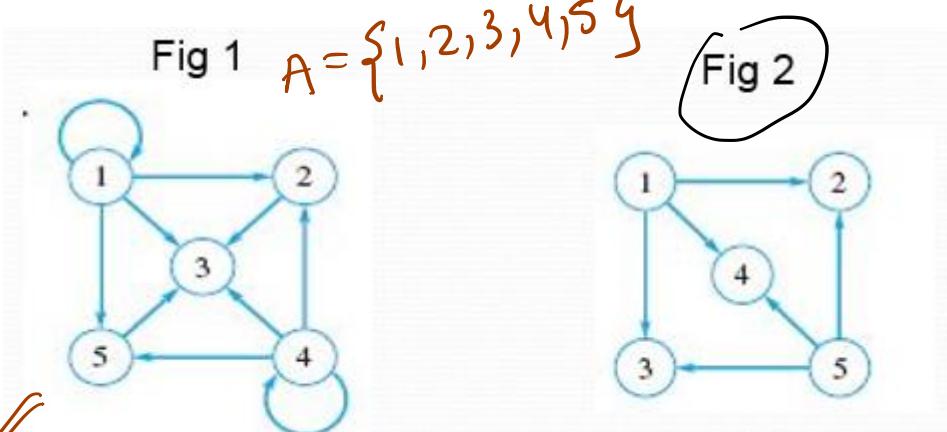
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = M_{R_6}$$

(f)

Ex	Reflexive	Irreflexive	Symmetric	Asymmetric	Anti-Symmetric	Transitive
(a)	N	N	Y	N	N	N
(b)	N	N	Y	N	N	N
(c)	N	N	N	N	Y	N
(d)	N	Y	N	N	N	N
(e)	Y	N	N	N	Y	T
(f)	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N

✓ *RG* *HW*

Ex 5: Given the following digraph representations of relations, identify if each of them are reflexive, symmetric, asymmetric, antisymmetric, and/or transitive:



Matrix representation of Fig 1:

	1	2	3	4	5
1	1	0	1	0	1
2	0	1	0	0	0
3	0	0	1	0	0
4	0	1	1	1	0
5	1	0	0	0	1

Properties of Fig 1:

- Not reflexive
- Not Irreflexive
- Not symmetric
- Not asymmetric
- Anti-symmetric
- Not transitive

$$(1,2) \wedge (2,3) \rightarrow (1,3)$$

$$(1,3) \wedge (3,4) \rightarrow (1,4)$$

Matrix representation of Fig 2:

	1	2	3	4	5
1	0	1	1	1	0
2	0	0	0	0	0
3	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	1	1	1	0

Properties of Fig 2:

- not reflexive
- Irreflexive
- Not symmetric
- Asymmetric
- Anti-Symmetric
- transitive

\*\* If asymmetric then anti-Symmetric \*\*

Closure The closure of a relation is a relation derived from the original relation where ordered pairs are added until the relation exhibits a desired property.

Ex 6: Let set  $A = \{a, b, c\}$  and Relation  $R =$

$R = \{(a, a), (b, b), (a, b), (b, c)\}$ . Find the following closures:

a. Reflexive Closure

$\{(a, a), (b, b), (a, b), (b, c), (c, c)\}$  ★ reflexive closure of  $R$ .

b. Symmetric Closure

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

c. Transitive Closure

$$(a, a) \wedge (a, b) \rightarrow (a, b)$$

$$(a, b) \wedge (b, c) \rightarrow (a, c)$$

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

	a	b	c
a	1	1	0
b	0	1	1
c	0	0	0

	a	b	c
a	1	1	0
b	0	1	1
c	0	0	0

	a	b	c
a	1	1	0
b	0	1	1
c	0	0	0

$$(a, b) \wedge (b, c) \rightarrow (a, c)$$

add  
 $(a, c)$

Equivalence Relation A relation  $R$  on a set  $A$  that is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

Examples

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

$$(1, 2) \wedge (2, 1) \rightarrow (1, 1) \checkmark$$

$$(1, 2) \wedge (2, 2) \rightarrow (1, 2) \checkmark$$

$$(3, 3) \wedge (3, 4) \rightarrow (3, 4) \checkmark$$

$$(3, 4) \wedge (4, 3) \rightarrow (3, 3) \checkmark$$

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

	1	2	3	4
1	1	1	0	0
2	1	1	0	0
3	0	0	1	1
4	0	0	1	1

