

RELATIONS

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ORDERED PAIR

- An *ordered pair* of elements a and b , where a is designated as the first element and b as the second element, is denoted by (a, b) .
- In particular, $(a, b) = (c, d)$
if and only if $a = c$ and $b = d$.
- Thus $(a, b) = (b, a)$ unless $a = b$.
- This contrasts with sets where the order of elements is irrelevant; for example, $\{3, 5\} = \{5, 3\}$.



PRODUCT SET

- Consider two arbitrary sets A and B . The set of all ordered pairs (a, b) where $a \in A$ and $b \in B$ is called the *product*, or *Cartesian product*, of A and B .
- A short designation of this product is $A \times B$, which is read “ A cross B .”
- By definition, $A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$
- A^2 instead of $A \times A$.

- *Example:*

Let $A = \{1, 2\}$ and $B = \{a, b, c\}$.

Then

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

Similarly find $B \times A$, $A \times A$



EXERCISE

- Let $A = \{1, 2\}$ and $B = \{a, b, c\}$.

Then

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

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

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



RELATIONS

- Let A and B be sets.

A binary relation (R) or, simply, relation (R) from A to B is a subset of $A \times B$.

- *R is a set of ordered pairs where each first element comes from A and each second element comes from B . That is, for each pair $a \in A$ and $b \in B$, exactly one of the following is true:*

(i) $(a, b) \in R$; we then say “ a is R -related to b ”, written aRb .

(ii) $(a, b) \notin R$; we then say “ a is not R -related to b ”, written $a \not R b$.

- *If A and B are sets with m and n elements respectively. Then total number of ordered pairs will be $A \times B = mn$. So the total number of relations from A to B is $2^{(mn)}$.*



DOMAIN – RANGE

- **Domain of a relation R** is the set of all first elements of the ordered pairs which belong to R
- **Range** is the set of second elements.

○ Example:

○ Let there are 2 sets $A = \{1, 2\}$ and $B = \{a, b, c\}$.

Then

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

$$R = \{(1, a), (2, b)\}$$

Here $1Ra, 2Rb$

Domain: $(1, 2)$

Range : (a, b)



EXERCISE

- Find range & domain of the following

1. $A = (1, 2, 3)$ and $B = \{x, y, z\}$, and
let $R = \{(1, y), (1, z), (3, y)\}$

2. $A = \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$ and $B = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$ and
let $R = \{(1, 8), (3, 6), (5, 2), (1, 4)\}$

- $1Ry, 1Rz, 3Ry$, but $1/Rx, 2/Rx, 2/Ry, 2/Rz, 3/Rx, 3/Rz$
The domain of R is $\{1, 3\}$ and the range is $\{y, z\}$.
- The domain of R is $\{1, 3, 5\}$ and
the range is $\{2, 4, 6, 8\}$



INVERSE OF A RELATION

- Let R be any relation from a set A to a set B .
- The inverse of R , denoted by R^{-1} , is the relation from B to A
- which consists of those ordered pairs which, when reversed, belong to R ; that is,
- $R^{-1} = \{(b, a) \mid (a, b) \in R\}$
- Example: $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $B = \{x, y, z\}$. Then the inverse of $R = \{(1, y), (1, z), (3, y)\}$ is
$$R^{-1} = \{(y, 1), (z, 1), (y, 3)\}$$
- R is any relation, then $(R^{-1})^{-1} = R$. Also, the domain and range of R^{-1} are equal to that of R .



COMPLEMENT OF A RELATION

- Let R be any relation from a set A to a set B .
- The complement of R , denoted by R^c , is the relation from A to B which consists of those ordered pairs which don't belong to R ; that is,
- $R^c = \{(a, b) \mid (a, b) \notin R\}$
- Let $A = \{1, 2\}$ and $B = \{a, b, c\}$.

Then

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

- Let $R = \{(1, a), (2, b), (2, c)\}$
- $R^c = \{(1, b), (1, c), (2, a)\}$



COMPOSITION OF RELATIONS

- Let A , B and C be sets, and let R be a relation from A to B and let S be a relation from B to C . That is, R is a subset of $A \times B$ and S is a subset of $B \times C$. Then R and S give rise to a relation from A to C denoted by $R \circ S$ and defined by:
 - $a(R \circ S)c$ if for some $b \in B$ we have aRb and bSc .
 - $R \circ S = \{(a, c) \mid \text{there exists } b \in B \text{ for which } (a, b) \in R \text{ and } (b, c) \in S\}$
- The relation $R \circ S$ is called the composition of R and S ; it is sometimes denoted simply by RS .

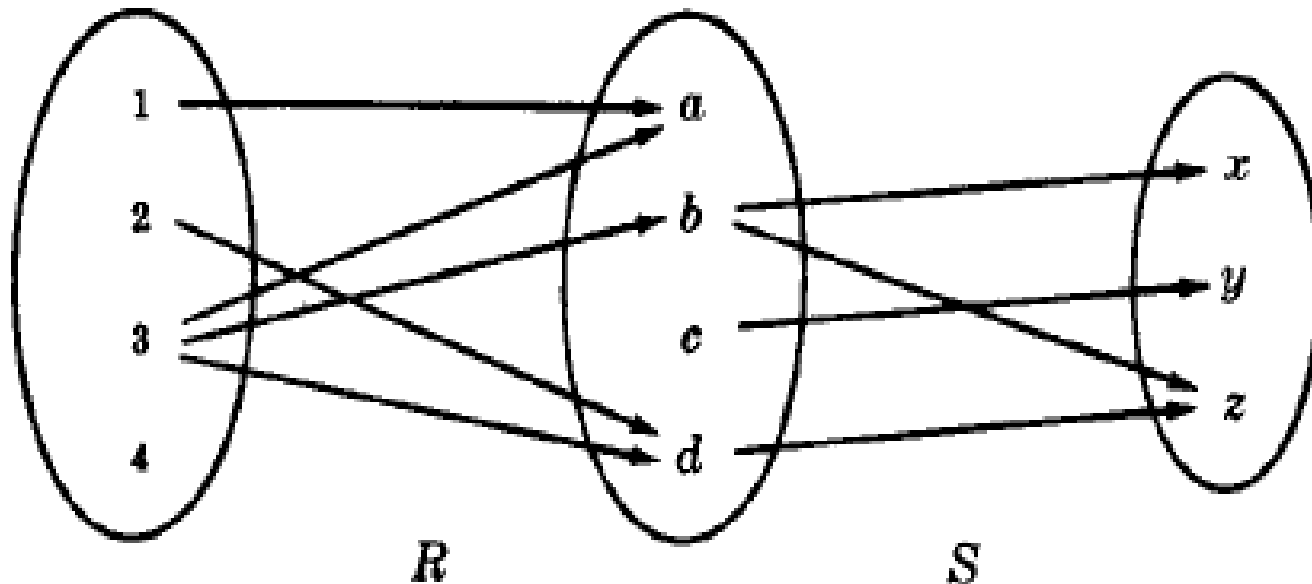


○ Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, $B = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $C = \{x, y, z\}$ and let

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

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

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



EXERCISE

- Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, $B = \{a, b, c\}$, $C = \{x, y, z\}$.
Consider the relations R from A to B and S from B to C as follows:

$R = \{(1, b), (3, a), (3, b), (4, c)\}$ and

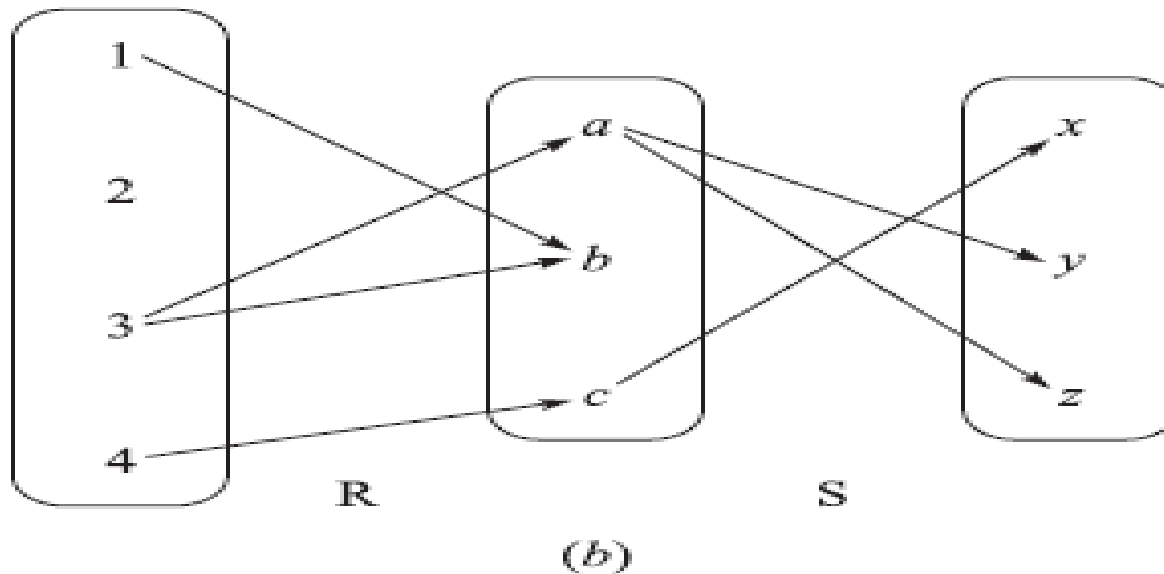
$S = \{(a, y), (c, x), (a, z)\}$

- 1) Draw the diagrams of R and S .
- 2) Write R^{-1} and the composition $R \circ S$ as sets of ordered pairs.



SOLUTIONS

- $R^{-1} = \{(b, 1), (a, 3), (b, 3), (c, 4)\}$,
- $R \circ S = \{(3, y), (3, z), (4, x)\}$.



TYPES OF RELATIONS

○ Reflexive Relations

- A relation R on a set A is reflexive if aRa for every $a \in A$, that is, if $(a, a) \in R$ for every $a \in A$. Thus R is not reflexive if there exists $a \in A$ such that $(a, a) \notin R$.

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

$$R1 = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 3), (1, 3), (4, 4)\}$$

$$R2 = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4)\}$$

$$R3 = \{(1, 3), (2, 1)\}$$

$$R4 = \emptyset, \text{ the empty relation}$$

$$R5 = A \times A, \text{ the universal relation}$$

- Since A contains the four elements 1, 2, 3, and 4, a relation R on A is reflexive if it contains the four pairs
- $(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3),$ and $(4, 4)$. Thus only $R2$ and the universal relation $R5 = A \times A$ are reflexive.
- $R1, R3,$ and $R4$ are not reflexive since, for example, $(2, 2)$ does not belong to any of them.



TYPES OF RELATIONS

- **Symmetric Relation**

- A relation R on a set A is symmetric if whenever aRb then bRa , that is, if whenever $(a, b) \in R$ then $(b, a) \in R$.

- Thus R is not symmetric if there exists $a, b \in A$ such that $(a, b) \in R$ but $(b, a) \notin R$.

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

$R1 = \{(1, 3), (1, 4), (3, 1), (2, 2), (4, 1)\}$

$R2 = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 3)\}$

$R1$ is symmetric , $R2$ is not symmetric



TYPES OF RELATIONS

- **Antisymmetric Relation**

- A relation R on a set A is antisymmetric if whenever aRb and bRa then $a = b$, that is, if $a = b$ and aRb then bRa .

- Thus R is not antisymmetric if there exist distinct elements a

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

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

The identity relation is an antisymmetric relation.



TYPES OF RELATIONS

- **Transitive Relations**

- A relation R on a set A is transitive if whenever aRb and bRc then aRc , that is, if whenever $(a, b), (b, c) \in R$ then $(a, c) \in R$.
- Thus R is not transitive if there exist $a, b, c \in R$ such that $(a, b), (b, c) \in R$ but $(a, c) \notin R$.

- Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$:
- $R1 = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 3), (1, 3), (4, 4)\}$
- $R2 = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4)\}$
- $R3 = \{(1, 3), (2, 1)\}$
- $R4 = \emptyset$, the empty relation
- $R5 = A \times A$, the universal relation
- The relation $R3$ is not transitive since $(2, 1), (1, 3) \in R3$ but $(2, 3) \notin R3$.
All the other relations are transitive.



EQUIVALENCE RELATIONS

- Consider a nonempty set S .

A relation R on S is an equivalence relation if R is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

- (1) For every $a \in S$, $aRa : a = a$ for every $a \in S$.
- (2) If aRb , then $bRa : \text{If } a = b, \text{ then } b = a$
- (3) If aRb and bRc , then $aRc : \text{If } a = b, b = c, \text{ then } a = c$



PARTIAL ORDERING RELATIONS

- A relation R on a set S is called a *partial ordering* or a *partial order* of S if R is reflexive, antisymmetric, and transitive.
- A set S together with a partial ordering R is called a *partially ordered set* or *poset*.

(1) For every $a \in S$, aRa : $a = a$ for every $a \in S$.

(2) If aRb and bRa , $a=b$: Identity relation

(3) If aRb and bRc , then aRc : If $a = b$, $b = c$, then $a = c$




CLOSURES

- Consider the relation $R = \{(a, a), (a, b), (b, c), (c, c)\}$ on the set $A = \{a, b, c\}$. Find: (a) $\text{reflexive}(R)$; (b) $\text{symmetric}(R)$; (c) $\text{transitive}(R)$.
- The **reflexive closure** on R is obtained by adding all diagonal pairs of $A \times A$ to R which are not currently in R .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{reflexive}(R) &= R \cup \{(b, b)\} \\ &= \{(a, a), (a, b), (b, b), (b, c), (c, c)\}\end{aligned}$$

- The **symmetric closure** on R is obtained by adding all the pairs in R^{-1} to R which are not currently in R . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{symmetric}(R) &= R \cup \{(b, a), (c, b)\} \\ &= \{(a, a), (a, b), (b, a), (b, c), (c, b), (c, c)\}\end{aligned}$$


CLOSURES

- *The **transitive closure** on R , since A has three elements, is obtained by taking the union of R with $R^2 = R \circ R$ and $R^3 = R \circ R \circ R$.*

Note that

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

$$R^3 = R \circ R \circ R = \{(a, a), (a, b), (a, c), (b, c), (c, c)\}$$

$$\text{transitive}(R) = R \cup R^2 \cup R^3$$

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



EXERCISE

Que1) Consider the following five relations on the set

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

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

$\emptyset = \text{empty relation}$

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

$A \times A = \text{universal relation}$

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

○ **Determine whether or not each of the above relations on A is:**

(a) *reflexive;*

(b) *symmetric;*

(c) *transitive;*

(d) *antisymmetric.*



SOLUTIONS

- (a) R is not reflexive since $2 \in A$ but $(2, 2) \notin R$. T is not reflexive since $(3, 3) \notin T$ and, similarly, \emptyset is not reflexive. S and $A \times A$ are reflexive.
- (b) R is not symmetric since $(1, 2) \in R$ but $(2, 1) \notin R$, and similarly T is not symmetric. S , \emptyset , and $A \times A$ are symmetric.
- (c) T is not transitive since $(1, 2)$ and $(2, 3)$ belong to T , but $(1, 3)$ does not belong to T . The other four relations are transitive.
- (d) S is not antisymmetric since $1 = 2$, and $(1, 2)$ and $(2, 1)$ both belong to S . Similarly, $A \times A$ is not antisymmetric. The other three relations are antisymmetric.



Que 2) Let R and S be the following relations on $B = \{a, b, c, d\}$:

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

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

Find the following composition relations:

(a) $R \circ S$; (b) $S \circ R$; (c) $R \circ R$; (d) $S \circ S$.

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

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

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

(d) $S \circ S = \{(c, c), (c, a), (c, d)\}$



Que 3) Let R be the relation on N defined by $x + 3y = 12$, i.e. $R = \{(x, y) \mid x + 3y = 12\}$.

- (a) Write R as a set of ordered pairs
- (b) Find the domain, range of R and $R(-1)$
- (d) Find the composition relation $R \circ R$.

(a) $\{(9, 1), (6, 2), (3, 3)\}$;

(b) (i) $\{9, 6, 3\}$,

(ii) $\{1, 2, 3\}$,

(iii) $\{(1, 9), (2, 6), (3, 3)\}$;

(c) $\{(3, 3)\}$.

