

Sets and Functions

Functions

- Assign to each element of a set a particular element of another set.
- Concept of function – important in computer science.
 - In DS it is used to definition of sequences and strings
 - tells us how long it takes for a computer to solve problems
- Definition: A and B are non –empty sets
- $A \longrightarrow B$ assigns element of B to an element of A
- $F: A \longrightarrow B$
- Also called mappings and transformations

Functions

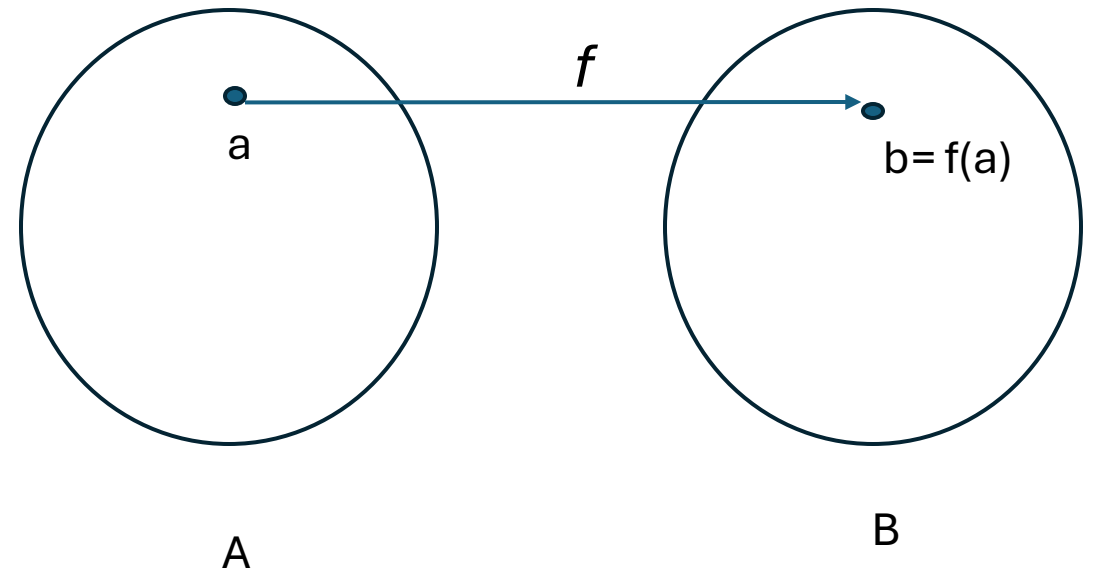
- A : is called as the Domain
- B is called as the co-domain

$$f(a) = b$$

b is called the image of a

a is called the preimage of b

$A \times B$ = ordered pair (a, b) where
 $a \in A$.



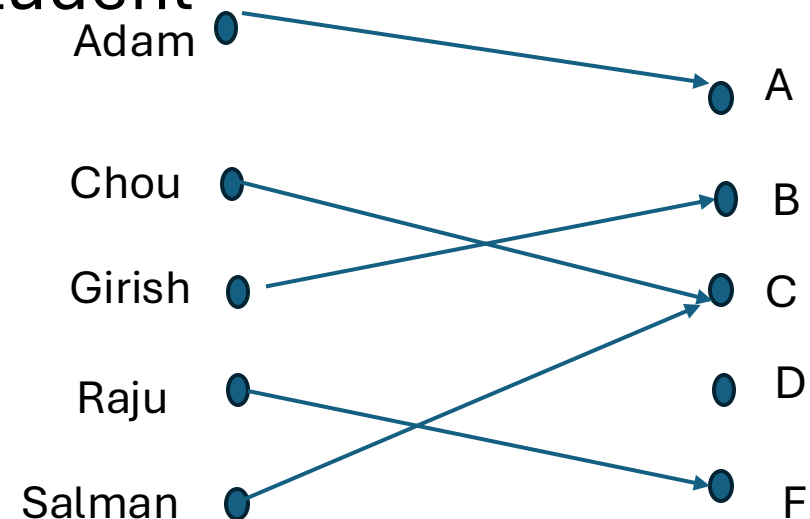
Functions

Examples

1. Students $S = \{ \text{Adam, Chou, Girish, Raju, Salman} \}$, Grades $= \{ A, B, C, D, F \}$

Range of Grades $= \{ A, B, C, F \}$

Each grade except D assigned to a student



Functions

Two real valued function can be added and multiplied.

Eg. f_1 and f_2 be the functions from A to R .

Then $f_1 + f_2$ and $f_1 * f_2$ are also functions from A to R . defined by

$$(f_1 + f_2)(x) = f_1(x) + f_2(x)$$

$$(f_1 f_2)(x) = f_1(x) * f_2(x)$$

Functions

- **Example:**

$$f_1(x) = x^2 \text{ and } f_2(x) = x - x^2$$

$$(f_1 + f_2)(x) = f_1(x) + f_2(x) = x^2 + (x - x^2) = x$$

$$(f_1 f_2)(x) = x^2 (x - x^2) = x^3 - x^4$$

- **Example:** $A = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ $f(a) = 2, f(b)=1, f(c)=4, f(d) = 1, f(e).$
What is the image of subset $S = \{b, c, d\}$ is $f(S)$?

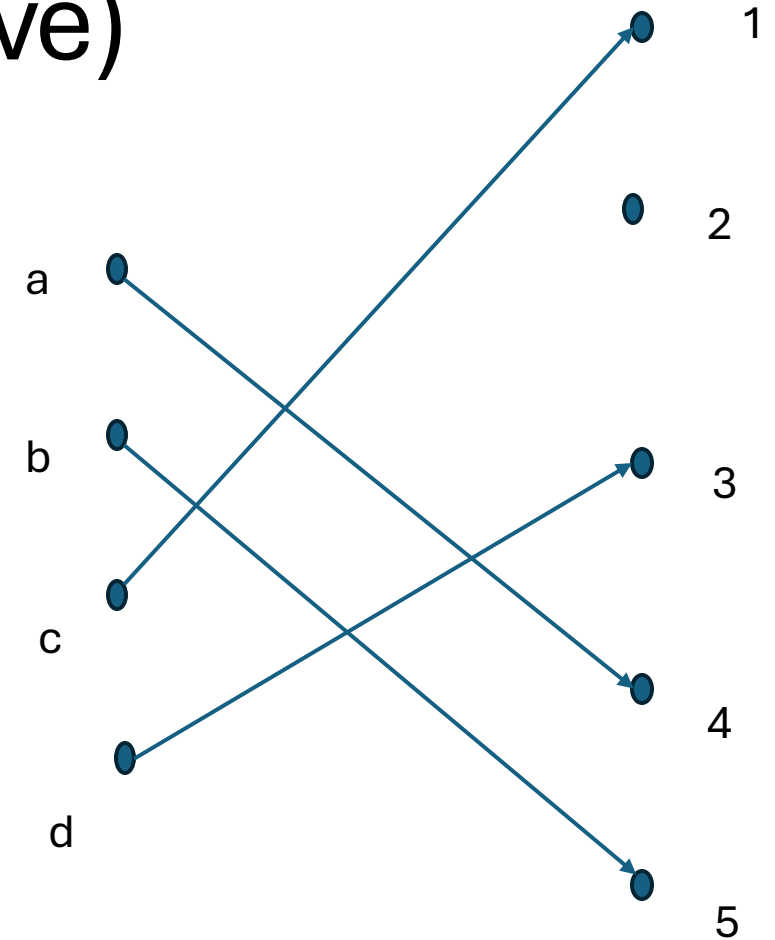
One-to-One Functions (injective)

- Same values never assigned to different domain elements.

Definition: Function f is one-to-one or injective if and only if $f(a) = f(b)$ then $a = b$.

$$\underline{\forall a \forall b (f(a) = f(b) \rightarrow a = b)}$$

Example:



One-to-one functions

- **Example 1:** $f(x) = x^2$ from a set of integers to a set of integers is it one-to-one?

In the example $f(1) = 1$ and $f(-1) = 1$

Hence not one-to-one.

- **Example 2:** Determine if $f(x) = x+1$ is a one-to-one function?

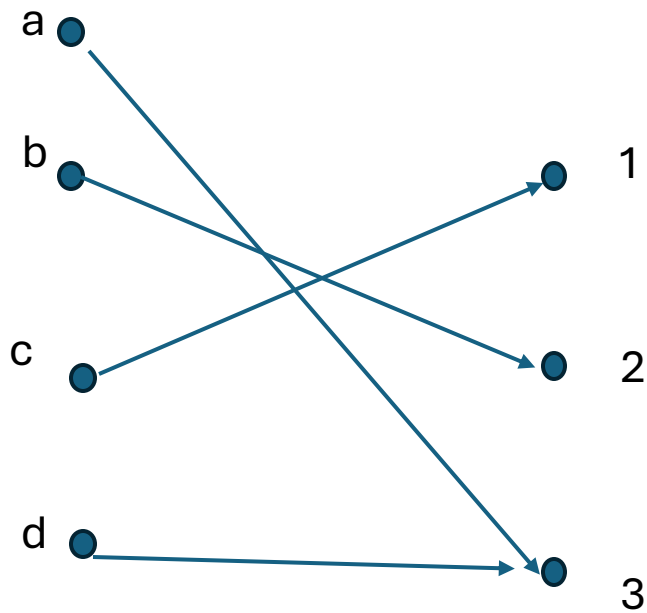
Onto Function (surjective)

- Every member of the co-domain is an image of some element in the domain.

Definition : f from A to B is called onto or surjective if and only if for every element $b \in B$ there is an $a \in A$ with $f(a) = b$.

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On-to Function (surjective)



Example 1: f be a function from $\{a, b, c, d\}$ to $\{1, 2, 3\}$ and $f(a) = 3$, $f(b) = 2$, $f(c) = 1$ and $f(d) = 3$. Is this an onto function.

Example 2: Is the function $f(x) = x^2$ from the set of integers to the set of integers onto?

Example 3: Is the $f(x) = x + 1$ from the set of integers to the set of integers onto?

One-to-one correspondence (bijection)

- It is both one-to-one and onto then it is called one-to-one correspondence or bijection.

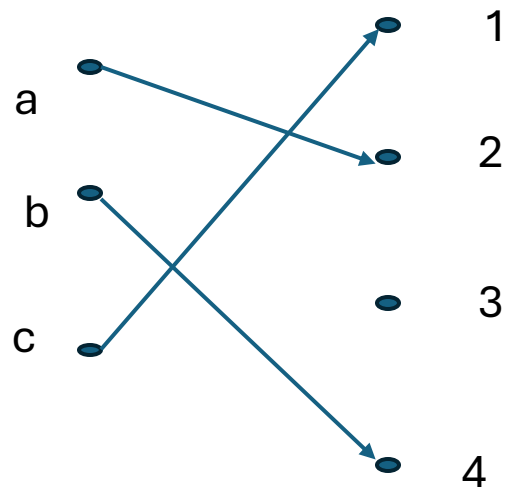
- **Example 1**

Let f be a function from $\{a, b, c, d\}$ to $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ with $f(a) = 4$, $f(b) = 2$, $f(c) = 1$ and $f(d) = 3$. Is it a bijection?

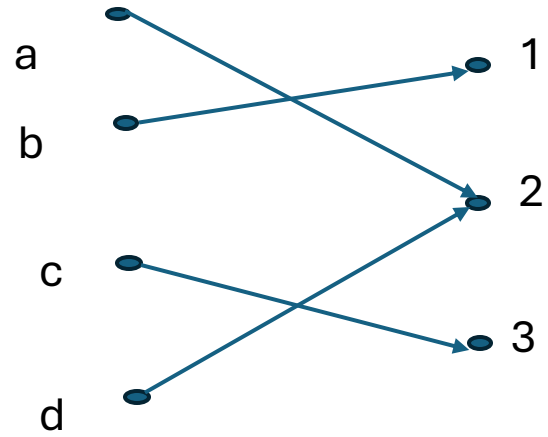
Example 2

Let A be a set. The identity function on A is the function $i^A : A \rightarrow A$ for all $x \in A$. Is it a bijection?

Examples



One-to-one but not on-to



Onto but not one-to-one

Inverse Function (f^{-1})

- We already know that
 - If f is an onto function, then every element of B is the image of every element in A .
 - If f is a one-to-one function, then every element of B is the image of a unique element in A .
- Define a new function from B to A that reverses the correspondence given by f .
- **Definition:** let f be one-to-one correspondence from set A to set B .

Inverse function one that assigns and element of b belonging to B to unique element of A , so that $f(a) = b$.

Hence $f^{-1}(b) = a$ when $f(a) = b$.

Inverse Function (f^{-1})

- If function is not one-to-one correspondence, then inverse function cannot be defined.
- If it is not one-to-one correspondence, then it is not onto and one-to-one.
- If f is not one-to-one then , some element b in the co-domain is the image of more than one element in the domain.
- If f is not onto then, for some element b in the co-domain no element a in the domain exists.

Inverse Function (f^{-1})

Example 1: Let f be a function from $\{a, b, c\}$ to $\{1, 2, 3\}$ with $f(a) = 2$, $f(b) = 3$ and $f(c) = 1$. Is the function invertible, and if so what is the inverse.

Example 2: Let $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ be such that $f(x) = x + 1$. Is f invertible and what is the inverse.

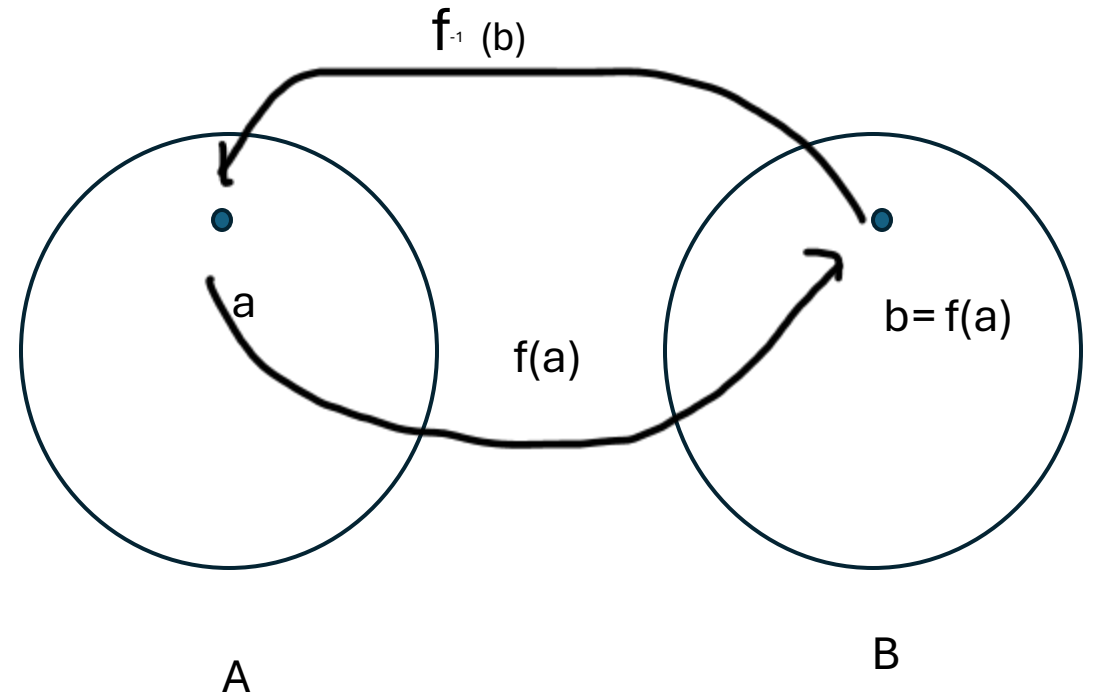
Solution 2: f has an inverse as f is one-to-one correspondence,

Let y be the image of x so that $y = x + 1$

$$\text{So } x = y - 1$$

$$\text{Hence } f^{-1}(y) = y - 1$$

Example 3: Let f be a function from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R} with $f(x) = x^2$. Is f invertible?



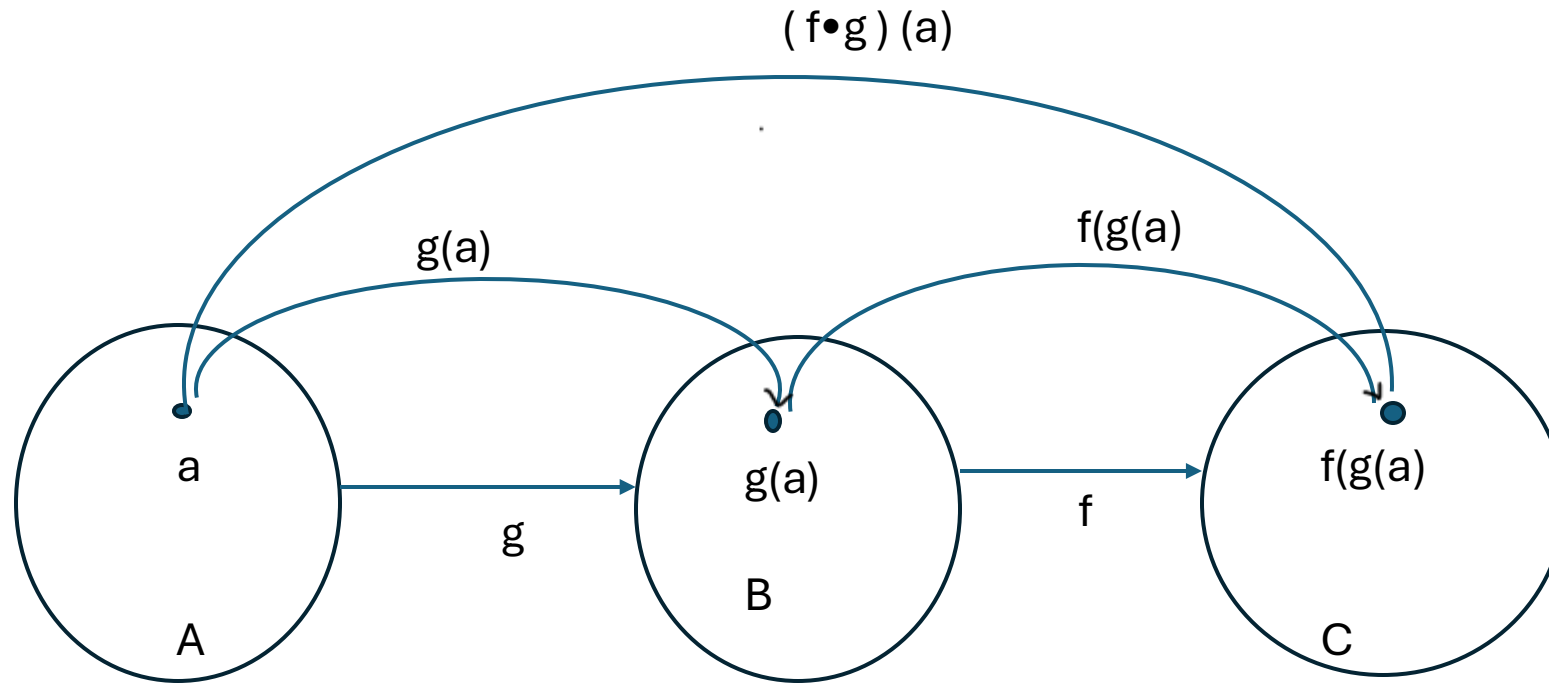
Composition function

- **Definition:** Let g be function from the set A to set B and let f be a function from set B to set C . The composition of a function is denoted by $f \bullet g$ i.e.

$$(f \bullet g)(a) = f(g(a))$$

- First apply function g to a to obtain $g(a)$ and then
- Apply the function f to the result $g(a)$ to obtain $(f \bullet g)(a) = f(g(a))$.

Composition function



Composition function

- **Example 1:** Let g be function from the set $\{a, b, c\}$ to itself such that $g(a) = b$, $g(b) = c$ and $g(c) = a$. Let f be the function from the set $\{a, b, c\}$ to the set $\{1, 2, 3\}$ such that $f(a) = 3$, $f(b) = 2$ and $f(c) = 1$. what is the composition of f and g and what is the composition of g and f .

- **Solution 1:**

$$\begin{aligned}(f \circ g)(a) &= f(g(a)) = f(b) = 2, \\ &= f(g(b)) = f(c) = 1 \\ &= f(g(c)) = f(a) = 3\end{aligned}$$

Examples

- **Example 2:** Let g and f be from the set of integers to the set of integers defined by $f(x) = 2x + 3$ and $g(x) = 3x + 2$. What is the composition of f and g ? what is the composition of g and f ?
- Solution :

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = f(3x + 2) = 2(3x + 2) + 3 = 6x + 7$$

$$(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) = g(2x + 3) = 2(2x + 3) + 3 =$$

Relations

- Types of relations : employee – salary, business – phone number,
- In mathematics : positive integer and divisor
- Relation between elements of a set represented using a structure called a relation - also subset of a cartesian product of the set.
- Relations also used to solve problems

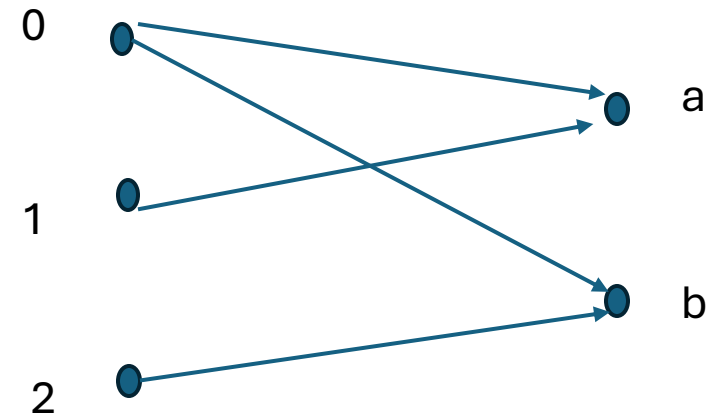
Relations and its properties

- Represented by an ordered pair made up of related elements.
- Set of ordered pairs called as binary relations.
- **Definition:** Let A and B be set. A binary relation from A to B is a subset of $(A \times B)$.
- aRb notation given as $(a, b) \in R$ and $aRb \iff (a, b) \in R$
- Binary relationships are relationships between two sets.
- Example :Let A be a set of Cities and B be a set of States. Then define Relation R such that (a, b) where a is a city in a particular state.
- Eg. (Surat, Gujarat)

Functions as Relations

- Function assigns one element of B to each element of A .
- Graph of f is an ordered pairs of (a, b) such that $b = f(a)$.
- Relations can be used to express a one-to-many relationship between the elements of the sets A and B .

R	a	b
0	x	x
1	x	
2		x



Relations on a Set

- Relations from a set to itself are of special interest.
- **Definition** : Relation on the set A is a subset of $A \times A$.
- Example: let A be the set $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. What ordered pairs are there in the relation $R = \{ (a,b) \mid a \text{ divides } b \}$

Solution: $\{ (1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (2,2), (2,4), (3,3), (4, 4) \}$. It can be represented in both tabular form and graphical form.

Example 6: how many relations are there on a set with n elements.

$$2^{(n^2)}$$

Properties of Relations

- Some relations in element is always related to itself.

Definition: A relation R on a set A is called **reflexive** if $(a, a) \in R$ for every element $a \in A$.

$\forall a ((a, a) \in R)$ where universe of discourse is the set of all elements of A .

Examples of Reflexive relation

- Example which of the following relations are reflexive.

$$R1 = \{ (a,b) \mid a \leq b \}$$

$$R2 = \{ (a,b) \mid a > b \}$$

$$R3 = \{ (a,b) \mid a = b \text{ or } a = -b \}$$

$$R4 = \{ (a,b) \mid a = b \}$$

$$R5 = \{ (a,b) \mid a = b + 1 \}$$

$$R6 = \{ (a,b) \mid a + b \leq 3 \}$$

- Example : Is the 'divides' relation on the set of positive integers reflexive.

Properties on Relations

- In some relations an element is related to the second element if the second element is also related to the first element.

Definition:

- A relation R on a set A is called symmetric if $(b, a) \in R$ whenever $(a, b) \in R$ for all $a, b \in A$.
- A relation R on a set A such that for all $a, b \in R$ and $(b, a) \in R$, then $a = b$ is called antisymmetric.

Using quantifiers:

$$\forall a \forall b ((a, b) \in R) \rightarrow ((b, a) \in R) \text{ (symmetric)}$$

$$\forall a \forall b ((a, b) \in R) \wedge ((b, a) \in R) \rightarrow (a = b) \text{ (anti-symmetric)}$$

Properties of Relations

- Transitive property

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 $(a, b, c) \in R$.

For $\forall a \forall b \forall c ((a, b) \in R \wedge (b, c) \in R) \rightarrow (a, c) \in R$

Example: How many reflexive relations are there on a set with n elements.

Examples Transitive relations

- Example 1: Is the divides relation on the set of positive integers transitive.
- Example 2: How many reflexive relations are there on a set with n elements.
- Solution: n^2 ordered pairs,
- By product rule of counting there are $2^{n(n-1)}$ reflexive relations

Combining Relations

- Example: What is the composite of two relations R and S, where R is the relation from $\{1, 2, 3\}$ to $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ with $R = \{(1,1), (1,4), (2,3), (3,1), (3,4)\}$ and S is the relation from $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and $\{0,1,2\}$ with $S = \{(1,0), (2,0), (3,1), (3,2), (4,1)\}$.