

# CM 1606 Computational Mathematics

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## Relations

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# Learning Outcomes

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- Covers LO1 for CM1606
- On completion of this lecture, students are expected to be able to:
  - Recall cartesian product and discuss ordered pairs
  - Identify relations and inverse relations
  - Describe composition of relations
  - Explain types of relations

# CONTENT

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- Cartesian product Review
- Ordered pairs
- Relations
- Inverse of a Relation
- Composition of Relations
- Types of Relations

# Cartesian Product

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For any two nonempty sets  $A$  and  $B$ , the cartesian product is

- Denoted as

$$A \times B$$

- Defined as

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

Ex:  $A = \{a, b\}$  and  $B = \{1, 2\}$

# Ordered Pairs

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- For any two sets  $A$  and  $B$ , set of ordered pairs  $\rho$ , from  $A$  to  $B$

Defined as

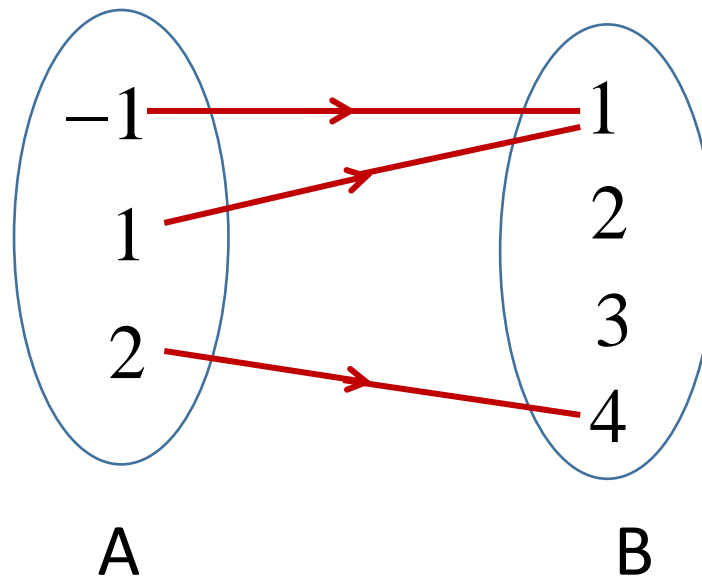
$$\rho = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$$

Note that  $\{a, b\} = \{b, a\}$ . But  $(a, b) \neq (b, a)$

- Always  $\rho$  is a subset of  $A \times B$

# Ordered Pairs ctd.

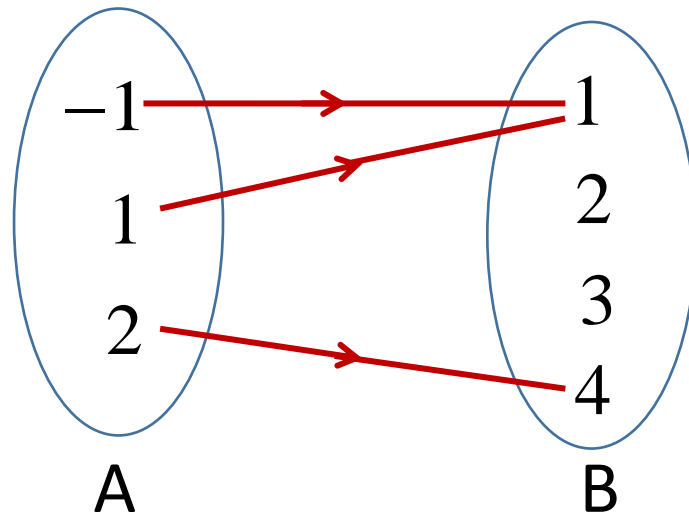
- $A = \{-1, 1, 2\}$  and  $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$



$$\rho = \{(-1, 1), (1, 1), (2, 4)\} = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B \text{ and } b = a^2\}$$

# Relations

- A Relation is a set of ordered pairs
- $\rho$  is a relation from A to B is a subset of  $A \times B$



$$\rho = \{(-1, 1), (1, 1), (2, 4)\} = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B \text{ and } b = a^2\}$$

# Relation on a set

- For the set  $A$ , if  $\rho$  is a relation from  $A$  to itself then

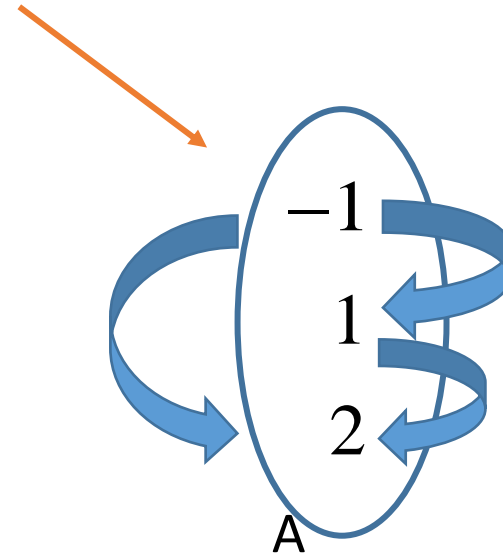
$\rho$  is a relation on  $A$  and  $\rho \subseteq A \times A$

- Domain

$$D(\rho) = \{x \mid \exists y, (x, y) \in \rho\}$$

- Range

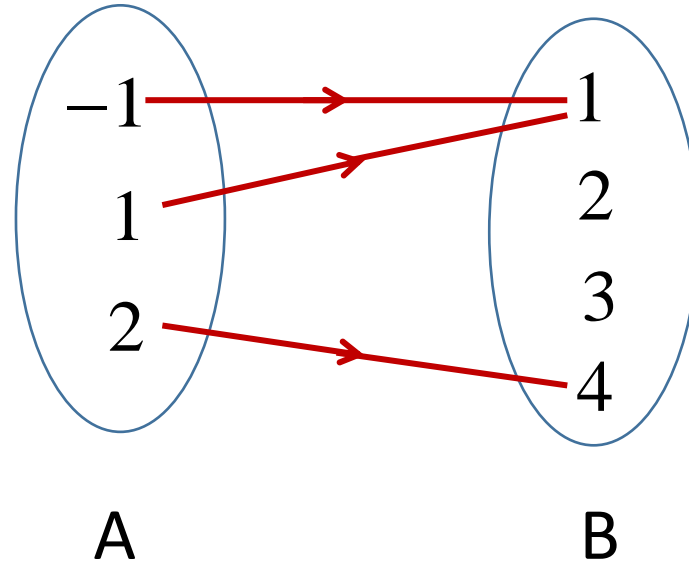
$$R(\rho) = \{y \mid \exists x, (x, y) \in \rho\}$$





# Domain and Range

$$\rho = \{(-1,1), (1,1), (2,4)\}$$



$$D(\rho) = \{-1, 1, 2\}$$

$$R(\rho) = \{1, 4\}$$

# Inverse of a Relation

- For the relation  $\rho$ , inverse relation of  $\rho$

Denoted as  $\rho^{-1}$

Defined as  $\rho^{-1} = \{(x, y) \mid (y, x) \in \rho\}$

Note that  $(\rho^{-1})^{-1} = \rho$

Ex:  $\rho = \{(-1, 1), (1, 1), (2, 4)\}$

Then

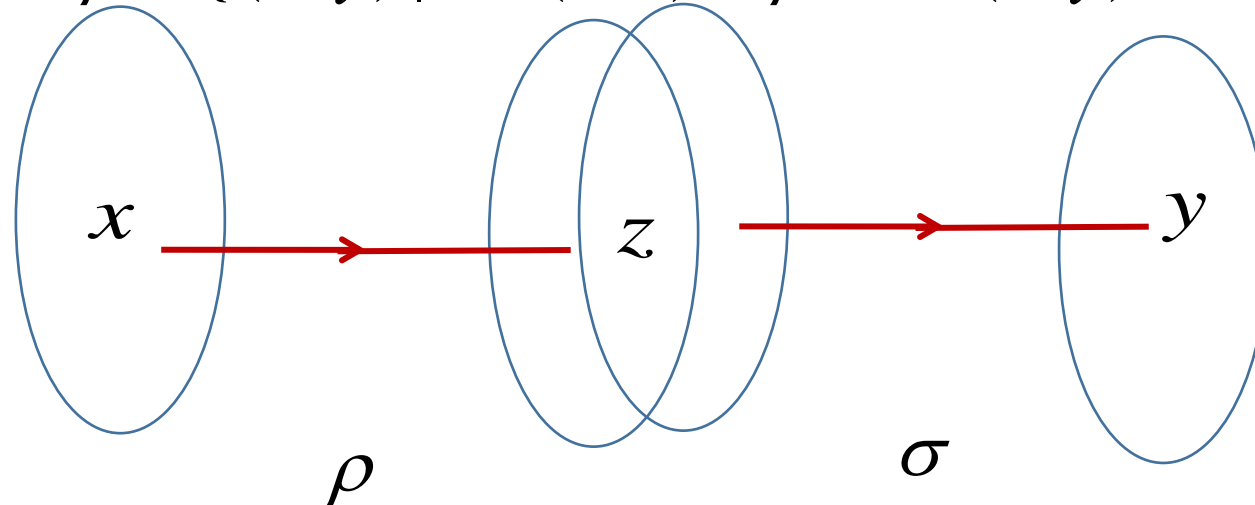
$$\rho^{-1} = \{(1, -1), (1, 1), (4, 2)\}$$

# Composition of Relations

- For two relations  $\rho$  and  $\sigma$ , their composition  $\sigma \circ \rho$  is

Defined as

$$\sigma \circ \rho = \{(x, y) \mid \exists z \ (x, z) \in \rho \text{ and } (z, y) \in \sigma\}$$



$$z = R(\rho) = D(\sigma)$$

# Example

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- Consider two relations

$$\rho = \{(1, a), (2, b), (3, c), (4, d), (5, g)\} \text{ and}$$

$$\sigma = \{(a, 2), (b, 1), (b, 2), (e, 3), (g, 4)\}$$

Find  $\sigma \circ \rho$  and  $\rho \circ \sigma$

# Types of relations

- Reflexive relation

For every  $x$  in the domain of  $\rho$ , the ordered pair  $(x, x) \in \rho$

- Symmetric relation

For every  $(x, y) \in \rho$ , then  $(y, x) \in \rho$

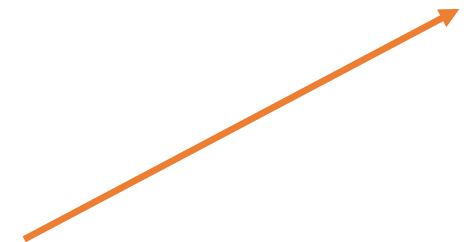
- Transitive relation

For every  $(x, y)$  and  $(y, z) \in \rho$ , then  $(x, z) \in \rho$

- Equivalence relation

$\rho$  satisfies all three properties reflexive, symmetric and transitive

$$D(\rho) = R(\rho)$$



# Example

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Consider the relation  $\rho = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (d, d), (e, e), (f, f),$   
 $(a, b), (b, a), (b, c), (c, b), (a, c), (c, a), (d, e), (e, d)\}$

Check whether  $\rho$  is a

- Reflexive
- Symmetric
- Transitive
- Equivalence relation.
- By considering each element of  $D(\rho)$ , sketch the graphical representation for the relation and interpret