

RELATIONS AND FUNCTIONS.

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★ Relations:

Consider the sets A , $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m\}$ ($a_i = \{a_i\}, i=1, 2, \dots, m$) and $B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$ ($b_j = \{b_j\}, j=1, 2, \dots, n$) of order m and n respectively. Then R is the relation from set A to set B is denoted by $a_i R b_j$. ($(a_i, b_j) \in R$) and defined as the subset of $A \times B$ where $A \times B = \{(a_i, b_j) : i=1, 2, \dots, m, j=1, 2, \dots, n\}$.

i.e $\boxed{R \subseteq A \times B}$

★ Zero - One Matrix:

A zero-one matrix of a relation R are defined from set A to set B is denoted by M_R or $M(R)$ and defined by

$$M_R = M(R) = [m_{ij}]_{n \times m}$$

where,

$$m_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } (a_i, b_j) \in R \\ 0, & \text{if } (a_i, b_j) \notin R. \end{cases}$$

In particular, if $A = B$, then zero-one matrix of R is $n \times n$ matrix and whose elements are $m_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } (a_i, a_j) \in R \\ 0, & \text{if } (a_i, a_j) \notin R. \end{cases}$

Example:

Let us consider a set $A = \{a, b\}$ and set $B = \{1, 2\}$ and a relation R defined by $R = \{(a, 1), (a, 2), (b, 2)\}$.

∴ Zero-one matrix on R is,

$$M_R = M(R) = [m_{ij}]_{2 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} \end{bmatrix}.$$

where,

$$m_{11} = 1 \quad \because (a, 1) \in R$$

$$m_{12} = 1 \quad \because (a, 2) \in R$$

$$m_{21} = 0 \quad \because (b, 1) \notin R$$

$$m_{22} = 1 \quad \because (b, 2) \in R$$

$$\therefore M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{or}) \quad M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

* Directed Graph (or) Diagraph:

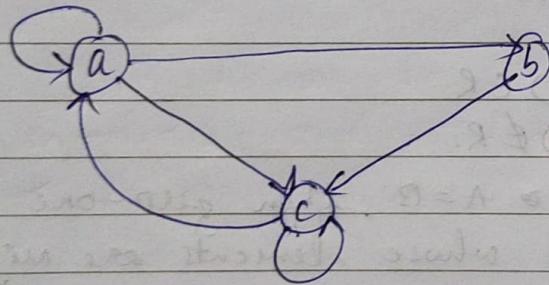
Let R be a relation on a finite set A . Then R can be pictorially represented as small circles for each element of A called vertices (or) nodes and draw an arrow from one vertex 'a' to another vertex 'b' if $(a,b) \in R$. called an edge.

This results, a pictorial representation of relation R called diagraph (or) directed graph of R .

Example:

Let us consider a following relation defined on set $A = \{a, b, c\}$
 $R = \{(a,a), (a,b), (a,c), (b,c), (c,a), (c,b)\}$

Diagraph of this relation R is -



* Origin (source) of an Edge and terminal of an Edge:

In a diagraph, a vertex from which an edge leaves is called origin (source) of an edge and a vertex where edge ends is called terminals of a edge.

loop:

An edge for which the origin and terminal vertex is same vertex called loop.

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* Isolated vertex:

A vertex in a diagraph which is neither a origin nor terminals is called isolated vertex.

* In-degree and out-degree:

The number of edges terminating at a vertex is called in-degree of that vertex and number of edges leaving a vertex is called out-degree of that vertex.

* Example:

- 1) Let $A = \{a, b, c\}$ and $B = \{0, 1\}$. and $R = \{(a, 0), (b, 0), (c, 1)\}$. be the relation from set A to B. write down the matrix of this relation.

Sol: Let $A = \{a, b, c\} \quad B = \{0, 1\}$

Zero-one matrix of R is,

$$M_R = M(R) = [m_{ij}]_{3 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} \\ m_{31} & m_{32} \end{bmatrix} =$$

where,

$$m_{11} = 1 \quad (\because (a_1, b_1) = (a, 0) \in R)$$

$$m_{12} = 0 \quad (\because (a_1, b_2) = (a, 1) \notin R)$$

$$m_{21} = 1 \quad (\because (a_2, b_1) = (b, 0) \in R)$$

$$m_{22} = 0 \quad (\because (a_2, b_2) = (b, 1) \notin R)$$

$$m_{31} = 0 \quad (\because (a_3, b_1) = (c, 0) \notin R)$$

$$m_{32} = 1 \quad (\because (a_3, b_2) = (c, 1) \in R)$$

$$M_R = M(R) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 2) Determine the relation R from a set A to set B as represented by the following matrix.

$$M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solⁿ: Given that,

$$M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{4 \times 4}$$

Let us consider elements of set A & B as follows,

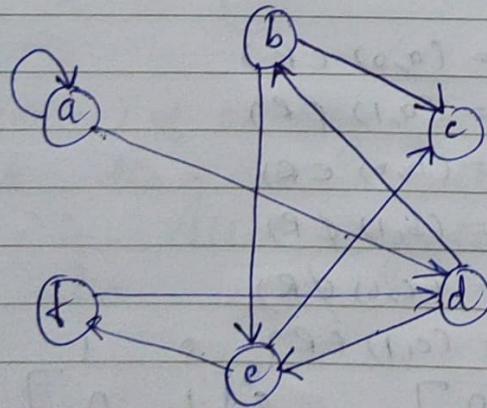
$$A = \{a, b, c, d\}, B = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

∴ Relation R from set A to B is,

$$R = \{(a, 1), (b, 2), (c, 1), (c, 2), (c, 3), (d, 2), (d, 4)\}.$$

- 3) Let $A = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$ and R be the relation on set A defined by $R = \{(a, a), (a, d), (b, c), (b, c), (c, b), (d, e), (e, c), (c, f), (f, d)\}$. Draw the diagram of R. Also determine the in-degree and out-degree of each vertex in diagram.

Solⁿ: Diagram of relation R is,



Vertex	In-degree	Out-degree
a	1	2
b	1	2
c	2	0
d	2	2
e	2	2
f	1	1

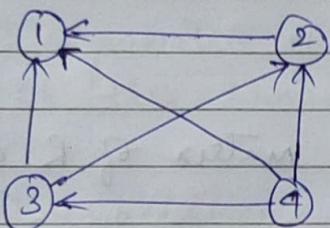
- 4) If $R = \{(x, y) | x > y\}$ is relation defined on set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. Write down the matrix and diagram of a relation R. Also find in-degree and out-degree of each value of a diagram.

$$S.1^{\circ}: R = \{(2, 1), (3, 1), (3, 2), (4, 1), (4, 2), (4, 3)\}$$

Zero-one matrix of R is

$$M_R = M(R) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagraph of relation R is,



Vertex	In-degree	Out-degree
1	3	0
2	2	1
3	1	2
4	0	3

- 5) Find the relation R in a set A and write down its diagraph given that $A = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ and matrix of R is,

$$M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Sol: Given that

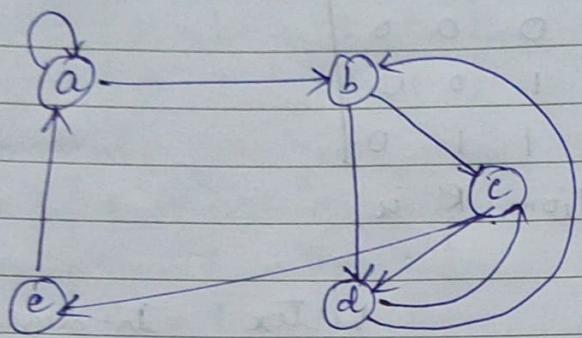
$$A = \{a, b, c, d, e\}.$$

$$M_R = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d & e \\ a & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ c & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ d & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ e & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Relation R defined by M_R is,

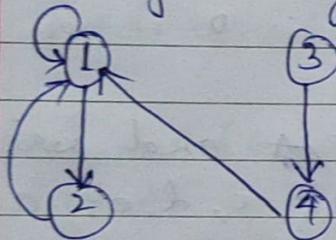
$$R = \{(a, a), (a, b), (b, c), (b, d), (c, d), (c, e), (d, b), (d, e), (e, a)\}.$$

diagram of relation R is,

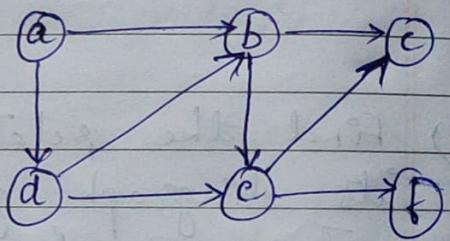


6) Find the relation R and matrix of R determined by the following diagrams.

i)



ii)



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0	1	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	0	0	0	1

0	0	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	1

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* Types of Relation (Properties of Relation).

If R be the relation defined on non-empty set A , then,

i) Reflexive Relation:

R is reflexive if $(a, b) \in R$, $\forall a \in R$ ($\text{or } (aRa, \forall a \in R)$)

ii) Symmetric Relation:

R is symmetric if $(a, b) \in R$, then $(b, a) \in R$ ($\text{or } (\text{if } aRb \text{ then } bRa)$.

iii) Transitive Relation:

R is transitive if $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$ then, $(a, c) \in R$ ($\text{or } (\text{if } aRb \text{ and } bRc \text{ then } aRc)$)

iv) Antisymmetric Relation:

A relation R on a set A is said to be antisymmetric if whenever $a \neq b$, then either $(a, b) \notin R$ ($\text{or } (b, a) \notin R$)

v) Equivalence Relation:

A relation R on a set A is said to be equivalence relation if it satisfies a selfreflexive, symmetric & transitive relation.

* Closure of a Relation:

If ' R ' is a relation that does not possess a particular property (like reflexive, symmetric, transitive) then we may wish to add selected ordered pairs to R until we get a relation that does have the required property is called closure of a relation.

1) Reflexive Closure:

The reflexive closure of a relation R on set A is the smallest reflexive relation on set A containing relation R .

2) Symmetric Closure:

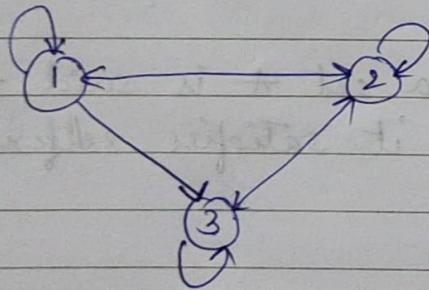
The symmetric closure of a relation R on set A is the smallest symmetric relation on set A containing relation R .

3) Transitive Closure:

The transitive closure of a relation R on set A is the smallest transitive relation on set A containing relation R .

* Examples:

- 1) The diagram of a relation R on set $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ is given below. Determine whether R is an equivalence relation or not.



Sol: Relation R defined by above diagram is

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

i) Reflexive:

Since $(1,1), (2,2)$ & $(3,3) \in R$

R is reflexive relation.

ii) Symmetric:

Since $(1,3) \in R$ & $(3,1) \notin R$

R is not symmetric relation.

$\therefore R$ is not an equivalence relation.

- 2) A relation R on set $A = \{a, b, c\}$ is represented by the following matrix. Determine whether R is an equivalence relation or not.

$$M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Sol: Let $A = \{a, b, c\}$

$$M_R = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ a & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ b & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ c & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Relation R defined by above matrix is,

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

i) Reflexive:

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

$\therefore R$ is reflexive relation

ii) Symmetric:

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

$\therefore R$ is symmetric relation

iii) Transitive:

Since $(a, a) \in R, (c, b) \in R$ & $(a, b) \notin R$.

$\therefore R$ is not transitive relation

$\therefore R$ is not equivalence relation.

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- 3) Find the reflexive, symmetric and transitive closure of a relation $R = \{(a, b), (b, c), (a, c)\}$ defined on set $A = \{a, b, c\}$

Sol: Let $A = \{a, b, c\}$

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

i) Reflexive closure:

Make a union of following relation with R^1 .

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

$$\therefore R_1 = R \cup R' = \{(a,b), (b,c), (a,c), (a,a), (b,b), (c,c)\}.$$

ii) Symmetric closure:

To make R symmetric closure, we need to make union of following relation R'' with R ,

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

$$\therefore R_2 = R \cup R''$$

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

$$R_2 = \{(a,b), (b,c), (a,c), (b,a), (c,b), (c,a)\}.$$

iii) Transitive closure:

Since R is transitive relation defined on set A ,

$\therefore R$ is transitive closure of itself.

* Equivalence Classes:

Let ' R ' be the equivalence relation on a set A and $a \in A$. Then the set of all elements x of A , which are related to a by R . (i.e xRa . i.e $(x,a) \in R$). is called equivalence class of ' a ' and it is denoted by $[a]$ or $R(a)$.

$$\therefore a = R(a) = \{x : xRa\}.$$

$$(or) a = R(a) = \{x : (x,a) \in R\}.$$

Example:

Let $A = \{a, b, c\}$ and equivalence relation R defined on set A is $R = \{(a,a), (a,b), (b,a), (b,b), (c,c)\}$.

\therefore Equivalence class of elements of A are,

$$[a] = R(a) = \{a, b\}$$

$$[b] = R(b) = \{a, b\}$$

$$[c] = R(c) = \{c\}.$$

Remark:

1. Equivalence classes defined on set A are either similar or distinct.
(OR)

Theorem:

Any two equivalence classes on set A are disjoint
(or) identical

* Partition of a set:

Let A be any non-empty set. Suppose there exists non-empty sub-sets a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n of set A called partition of A if following conditions hold:

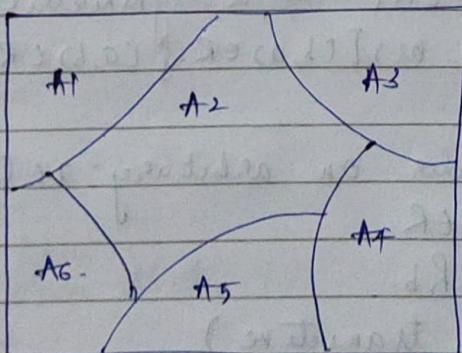
i) $A = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n = \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$

ii) Any ^{two} sub-sets of A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n are disjoint.
i.e $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset, i \neq j$.

Remark:

1. Evidently, equal distinct equivalence classes defined on set A makes a partition of set A .

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∴ $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5 \& A_6$ makes a partition of set A .

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* Theorem:

Let R be an equivalence relation on set A . Then,

- i) $\forall a \in A, [a] \neq \emptyset$.
- ii) if $b \in [a]$, then $[a] = [b]$ when $a, b \in A$;
- iii) $\forall a, b \in A$, either $[a] = [b]$ or $[a] \cap [b] = \emptyset$;
- iv) A is the union of all equivalence closure with respect to R .

$$\text{i.e. } A = \bigcup_{a \in A} [a].$$

Proof:

Given that R is equivalence Relation

i.e R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

- i) Let us consider an arbitrary $a \in A$,

$\Rightarrow aRa$ (or) $(a, a) \in R$ ($\because R$ is reflexive).

$\Rightarrow a \in [a], \forall a \in A$.

$\Rightarrow [a] \neq \emptyset, \forall a \in A$.

- ii) Given that, $b \in [a]$.

$\Rightarrow bRa$ (or) $(b, a) \in R$ (\because By defⁿ of equivalence class).

$\Rightarrow aRb$ (or) $(a, b) \in R$ ($\because R$ is symmetric)

$\Rightarrow bRa$ and aRb . (or) $[(b, a) \in R \& (a, b) \in R]$.

Next, let us consider an arbitrary $x \in [a]$ — ①

$\Rightarrow xRa$ (or) $(x, a) \in R$.

$\Rightarrow xRa$ and aRb .

$\Rightarrow xRb$ ($\because R$ is transitive)

$\Rightarrow x \in [b]$. — ②

from ① and ②, we get

$[a] \subseteq [b]$. — ③

And, let us consider an arbitrary $y \in [b] \rightarrow \textcircled{4}$

$\Rightarrow y R b$ (i) $(y, b) \in R$.

$\Rightarrow y R b$ and $b R a$

$\Rightarrow y R a$ ($\because R$ is transitive).

$\Rightarrow y \in [a]. \rightarrow \textcircled{5}$

From $\textcircled{4}$ & $\textcircled{5}$, we get

$$[b] \subseteq [a] \rightarrow \textcircled{6}$$

From $\textcircled{3}$ & $\textcircled{6}$, we get

$$[a] = [b]$$

iii) Let us consider $a, b \in A$.

Suppose $[a] \cap [b] \neq \emptyset$.

$\Rightarrow \exists x \in A \ni x \in [a] \cap [b]$.

$\Rightarrow x \in [a]$ and $x \in [b]$.

By the proof of (ii), we get

$\Rightarrow [a] = [x]$ and $[b] = [x]$.

$\Rightarrow [a] = [b] = [x]$.

$\Rightarrow [a] = [b], \forall a, b \in A$.

iv) Let us consider $a \in A$

$\Rightarrow a \in [a]. (\because R \text{ is reflexive relation})$.

$\Rightarrow a \in \bigcup_{a \in A} [a]$

$\Rightarrow A \subseteq \bigcup_{a \in A} [a] \rightarrow \textcircled{7}$

Now, we know that,

$$[a] \subseteq A$$

$$\bigcup_{a \in A} [a] \subseteq A \rightarrow \textcircled{8}$$

$a \in A$

From $\textcircled{7}$ & $\textcircled{8}$, we get

$$\boxed{A = \bigcup_{a \in A} [a]}$$