DISCRETE STRUCTURES
CHAPTER 2 PART 1

RELATIONS

Definition

- Let *A* and *B* be two sets.
- A binary relation, or simply a relation *R* from set *A* to set *B* is a subset of the cartesian product *A* x *B*

$$a \in A, b \in B, (a,b) \in A \times B \text{ and } R \subseteq A \times B$$

- If $(a,b) \in R$, we say *a* is related to *b* by *R*

write as *a R b* ($a\,R\,b \leftrightarrow (a,b) \in R$)

Example 1

Let $A = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4 \}$ and $B = \{ p, q, r \}$

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

$R \subseteq A \times B$

R is the relation from A to B

$1Rq$ (1 is related to q)

$3 \not R p$ (3 is not related to p)

Relations

- Binary relations: xRy
  On sets $x \in X$ $y \in Y$ $R \subseteq X \times Y$
- Example:
  "less than" relation from $A=\{0,1,2\}$ to $B=\{1,2,3\}$

Use traditional notation

$0 < 1, 0 < 2, 0 < 3, 1 < 2, 1 < 3, 2 < 3$

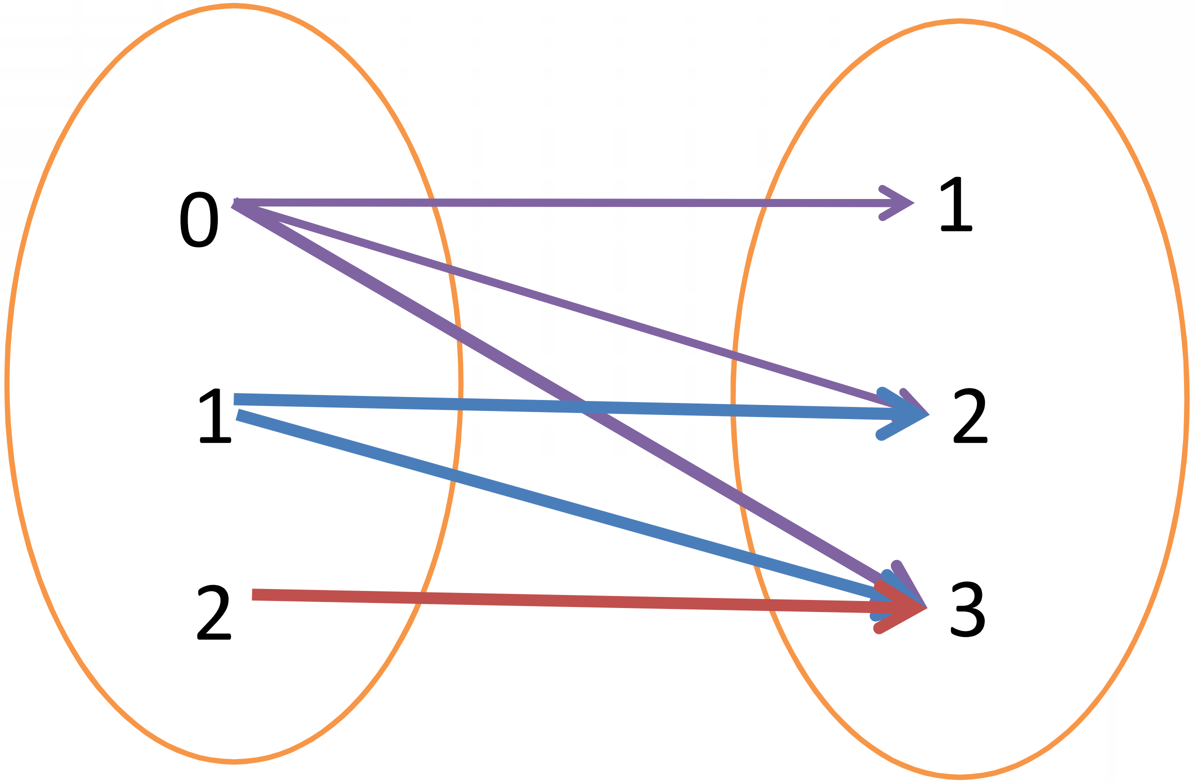
Or use set notation

$A \times B=\{(0,1),(0,2),(0,3),(1,1),(1,2),(1,3),(2,1),(2,2),(2,3)\}$

$R=\{(0,1),(0,2),(0,3), (1,2),(1,3),(2,3)\}$

Or use Arrow Diagrams

Arrow Diagram



$R=\{(0,1),(0,2),(0,3), (1,2),(1,3),(2,3)\}$

Example 2

A = {New Delhi, Ottawa, London, Paris, Washington}

B = {Canada, England, India, France, United States}

Let $x \in A$, $y \in B$.

Define the relation between x and y by *"x* is the capital of *y"*

R = {(New Delhi, India), (Ottawa, Canada), (London, England), (Paris, France), (Washington, United States)}

Definition

- If R is a relation from set A into itself, we say that R is a relation on A.

  $a \in A$, $b \in A$ $(a,b) \in A \times A$ and $R \subseteq A \times A$

- Example

  Let A = (1,2,3,4,5) and R be defined by $a,b \in A$,

$$aRb \leftrightarrow b - a = 2$$

$$R = \{(1,3),(2,4),(3,5)\}$$

Exercise 1

Write the relation R as $(x,y) \in R$

(i) The relation R on {1, 2, 3, 4} defined by $(x,y) \in R$ if $x^2 \geq y$

(ii) The relation R on {1, 2, 3, 4, 5} defined by $(x,y) \in R$ if 3 divides $x-y$

Domain and Range

Let *R*, a relation from *A* to *B*.

The set, **{ $a \in A$ | $(a,b) \in R$ for some $b \in B$ }** is called the **domain** of *R*.

The set, **{ $b \in B$ | $(a,b) \in R$ for some $a \in A$ }** is called **the range** of *R*.

Example 3

Let R be a relation on $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ defined by $(x,y) \in R$ *if* $x \leq y$, *and* $x,y \in X$.

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

The **domain and range** of R are both equal to X.

Example 4

Let $X = \{2, 3, 4\}$ and $Y = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$

If we **define a relation *R* from *X* to *Y* by,**

$(x,y) \in R$ if y/x (with *zero* remainder)

We obtain,

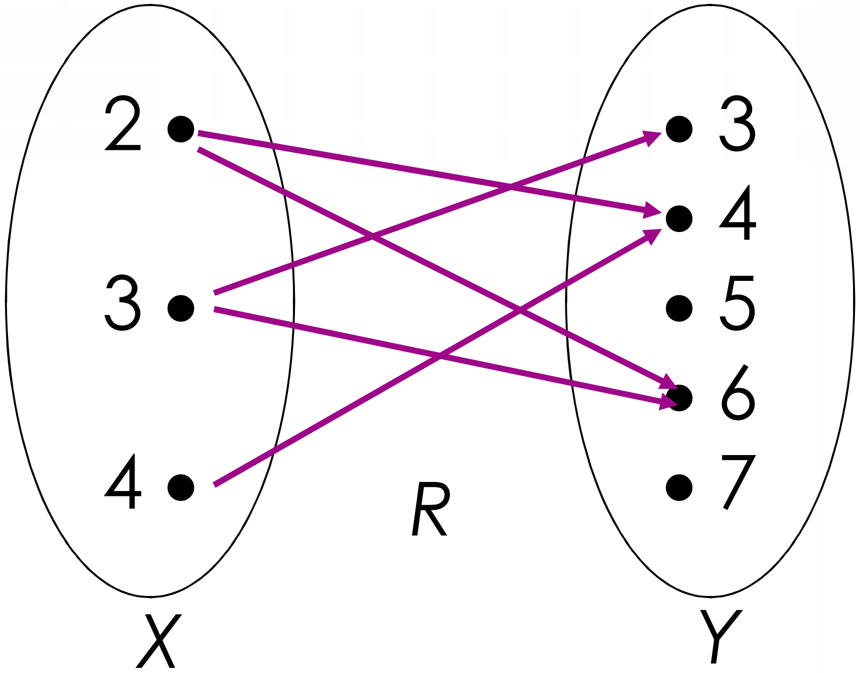
$R = \{ (2,4), (2,6), (3,3), (3,6), (4,4) \}$

The domain of R is $\{2,3,4\}$

The **range** of R is $\{3,4,6\}$

Example 4 (cont)

$R = \{ (2,4), (2,6), (3,3), (3,6), (4,4) \}$



Arrow diagram

Exercise 2

Find range and domain for:

(i) The relation R={(1,2), (2,1), (3,3), (1,1), (2,2)} on X={1, 2, 3}

(ii) The relation R on {1, 2, 3, 4} defined by $(x,y)\in R$ if $x^2 \geq y$

Diagraph

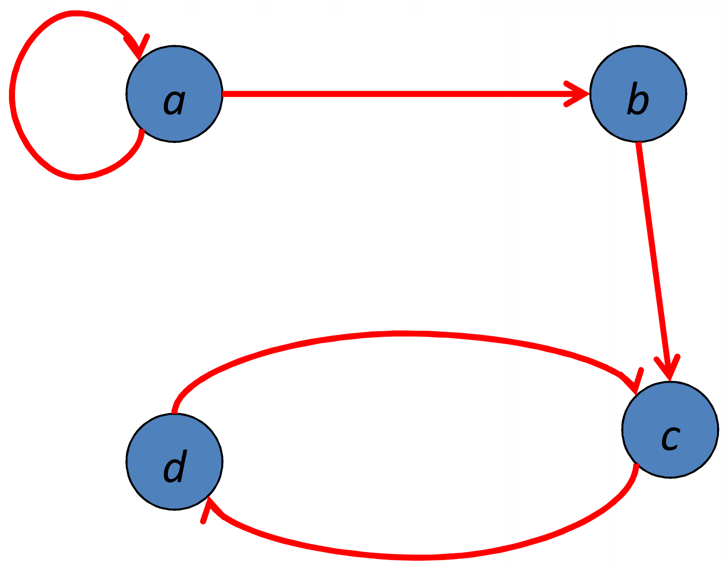
An informative way to picture a relation on a set is to draw its digraph.

- Let R be a relation on a finite set A.
- Draw dots (vertices) to represent the elements of A.
- If the element $(a,b) \in R$, draw an arrow (called a directed edge) from a to b

example

- The relation *R* on *A* ={*a*, *b*, *c*, *d*},

  R={(*a*, *a*), (*a*, *b*), (*c*, *d*), (*d*, *c*), (*b*,*c*)}



Example 6

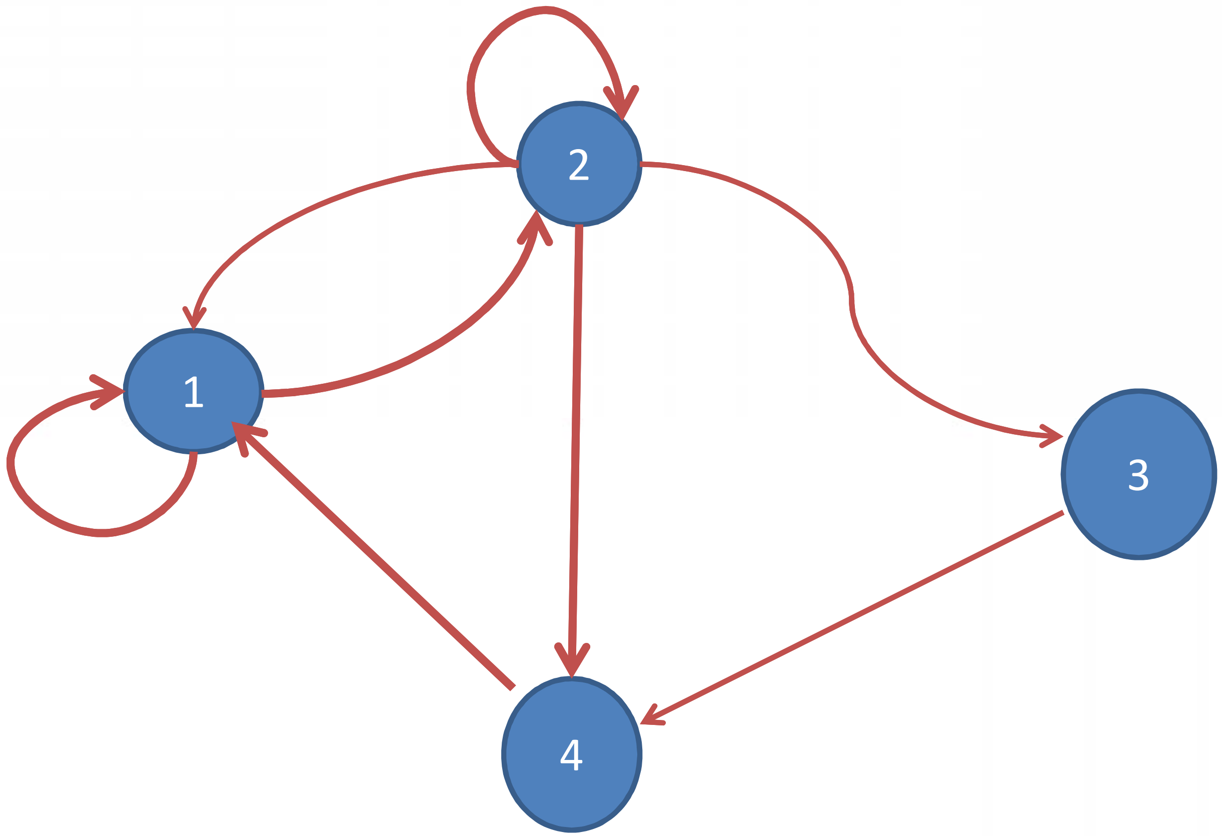
Let

The relation R on $A = \{ 1,2,3,4\}$,

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

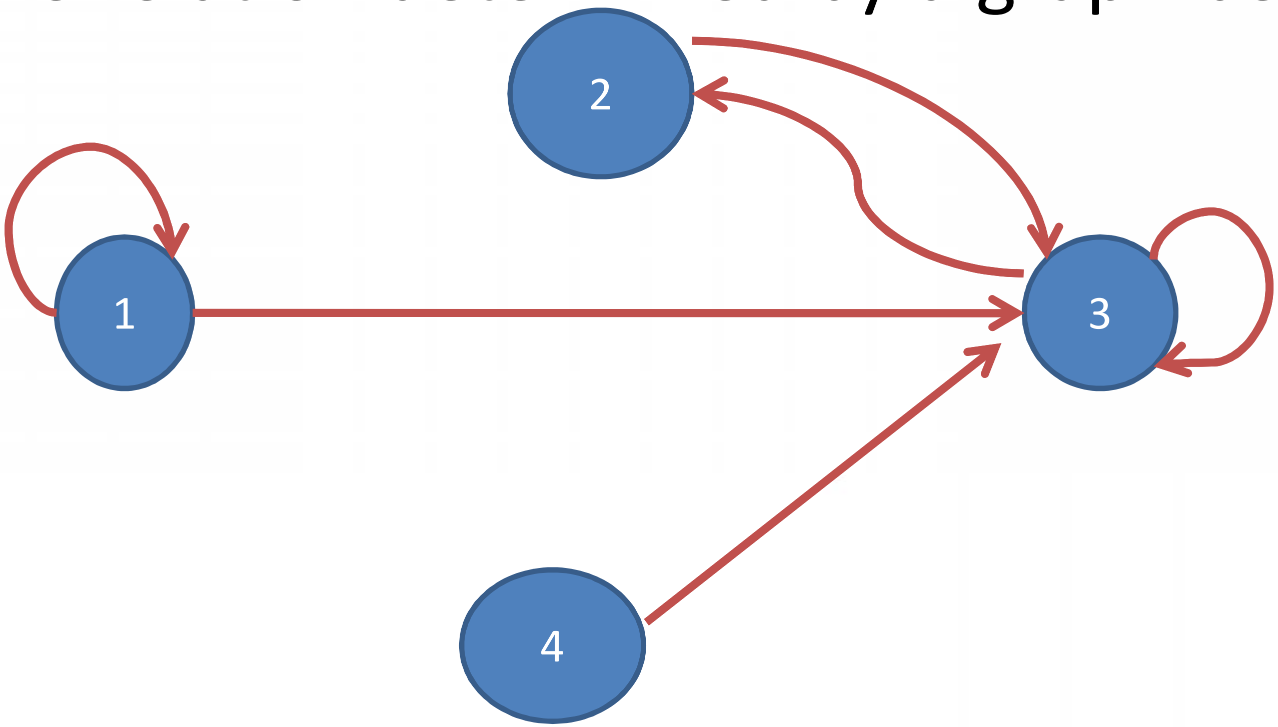
Draw the digraph of R

Digraph



Example 7

Find the relation determined by digraph below



Since $a_i \; R \; a_j$ if and only if there is an edge from a_i to a_j, so

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

Exercise 3

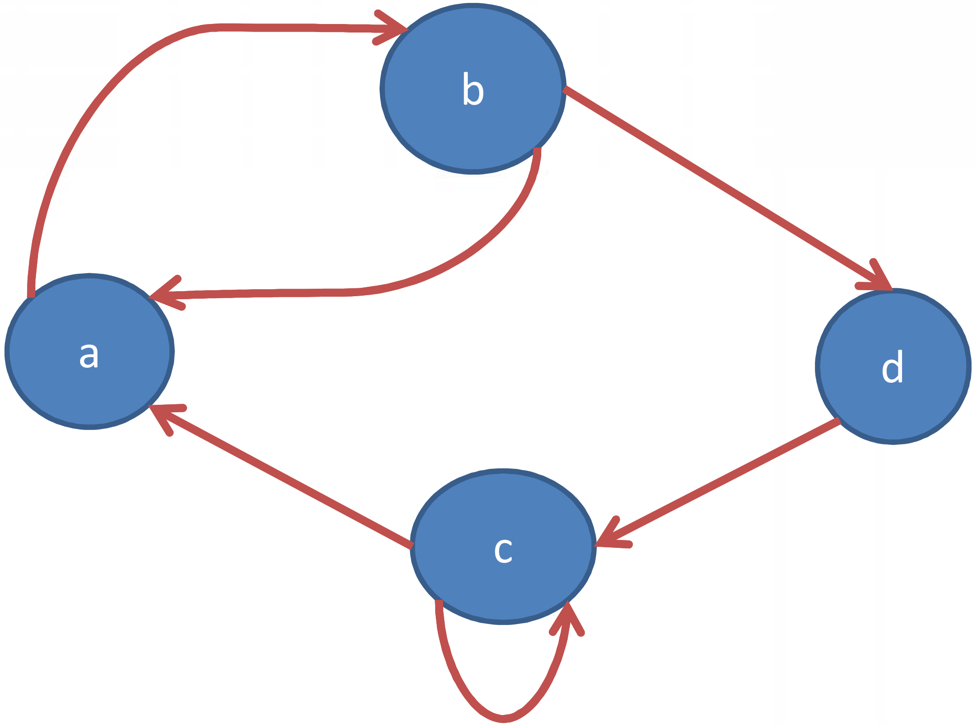
Draw the diagraph of the relation.

(i) R = {(a,c),(b,b),(b,c)}

(ii) The relation *R* on {1, 2, 3, 4} defined by $(x,y) \in R$ if $x^2 \geq y$

Exercise 4

Write the relation as a set of ordered pair.



Matrices of Relations

A matrix is a convenient way to represent a relation *R* from *A* to *B.*

- Label the rows with the elements of *A* (in some arbitrary order)
- Label the columns with the elements of *B* (in some arbitrary order)

Matrices of Relations

- Let $M_R = [m_{ij}]_{n \times p}$ be the Boolean n x p matrix

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

$$M_R = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & .. & .. & m_{1p} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & .. & .. & m_{2p} \\ : & : & .. & .. & : \\ : & : & .. & .. & : \\ m_{n1} & m_{n2} & .. & .. & m_{np} \end{bmatrix}$$

Example 8

- The relation,

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

  from, $X = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4 \}$ to $Y = \{ a, b, c, d \}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \begin{matrix} a & b & c & d \end{matrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{array} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{array}{c} \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \begin{matrix} d & b & a & c \end{matrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

Example 9

- The matrix of the relation R from { 2, 3, 4 } to { 5, 6, 7, 8 } defined by

  $x \, R \, y$ if x divides y

$$
\begin{array}{c} \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{array}
\begin{array}{c}
\begin{array}{cccc} 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \end{array} \\
\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}
\end{array}
$$

Example

- Let A={ *a, b, c, d* }
- Let *R* be a relation on *A*.
- *R* = { (*a,a*),(*b,b*),(*c,c*),(*d,d*),(*b,c*),(*c,b*) }

$$\begin{array}{c} \\ a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{cccc} a & b & c & d \end{array} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

Example 10

An airline services the five cities c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 and c_5. Table below gives the cost (in dollars) of going from c_i to c_j. Thus the cost of going from c_1 to c_3 is RM100, while the cost of going from c_4 to c_2 is RM200

To from	c_1	c_2	c_3	c_4	c_5
c_1		140	100	150	200
c_2	190		200	160	220
c_3	110	180		190	250
c_4	190	200	120		150
c_5	200	100	200	150	

If the relation R on the set of cities $A = \{c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, c_5\}$: $c_i \, R \, c_j$ if and only if the cost of going from c_i to c_j is defined and less than or equal to RM180.

i) Find *R*.

ii) Matrices of relations for *R*

Solution

R = $\{(c_1,c_2), (c_1,c_3), (c_1,c_4), (c_2,c_4),(c_3, c_1), (c_3,c_2), (c_4,c_3), (c_4,c_5), (c_5,c_2), (c_5,c_4)\}$

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

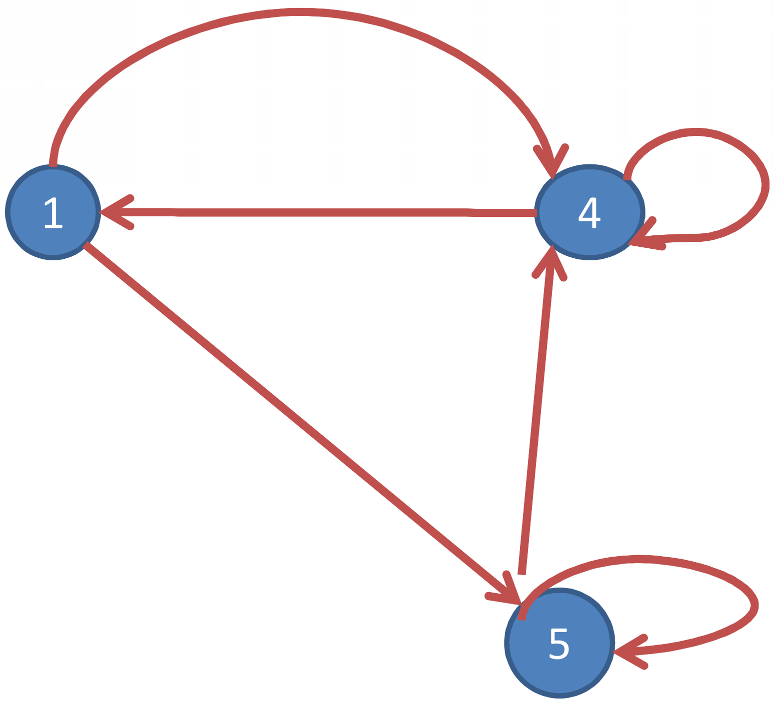
Exercise 5

Let A = {1, 2, 3,4} and R is a relation on A. Suppose R = {(1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (2,3), (2,4) , (3,4)}

- What is R (represent)?
- What is matrix representation of R?

Exercise 6

Let $A = \{1, 4, 5\}$ and let R be given by the digraph shown below. Find M_R and R



In degree and out degree

If R is a relation on a set A and $a \in A$, then the in-degree of a (relative to relation R) is the number of $b \in A$ such that $(b,a) \in R$.

The out degree of a is the number of $b \in A$ such that $(a,b) \in R$.

Meaning that, in terms of the digraph of R, is that the in-degree of a vertex is

“the number of edges terminating at the vertex”

The out-degree of a vertex is

“ the number of edges leaving the vertex”

Example 11

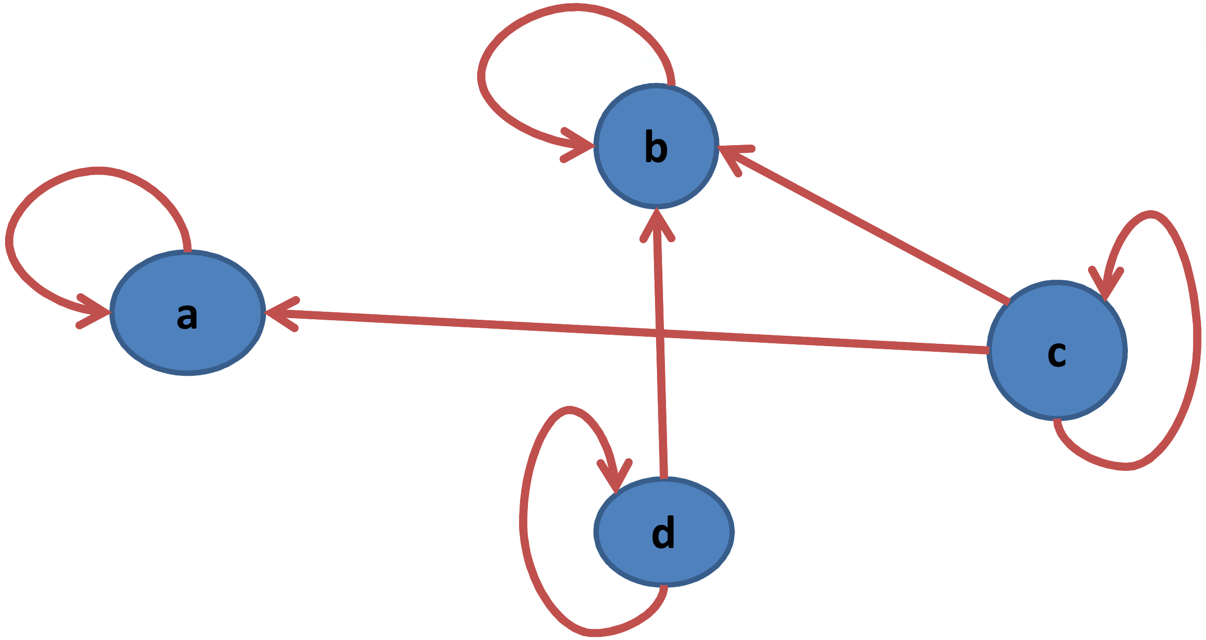
Let A = {a, b, c, d}, and let R be the relation on A that has the matrix (given below)

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

Construct the digraph of R, and list in-degrees and out-degrees of all vertices.

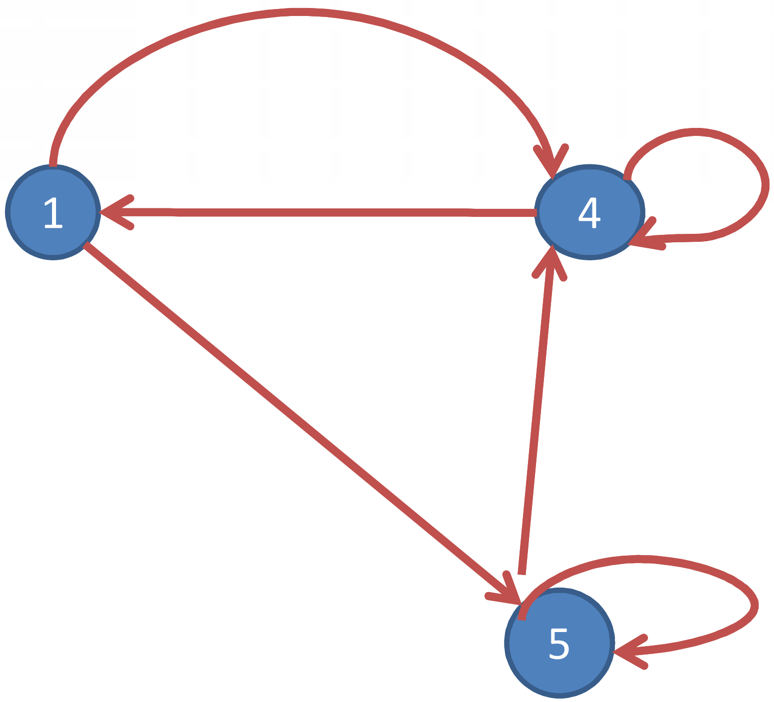
Solution

	a	b	c	d
In-degree	2	3	1	1
Out-degree	1	1	3	2



Exercise 7

Let *A* = {1, 4, 5} and let *R* be given by the digraph shown below. list in-degrees and out-degrees of all vertices.



Reflexive Relations

- **Reflexive**
  - A relation R on set A is called **reflexive** if every $a \in A$ is related to itself

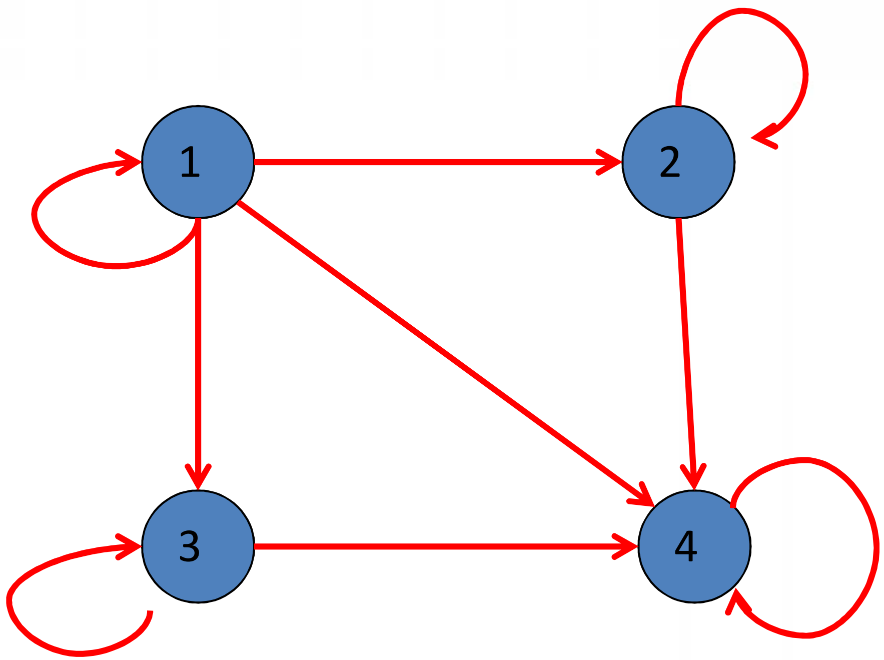
    OR

  - A relation R on a set X is called **reflexive** if all pair $(x,x) \in R; \forall x : x \in X$

Reflexive Relations

- The digraph of a reflexive relation has a loop at every vertex.

- example



Reflexive Relations

- Irreflexive
  - A relation *R* on a set *A* is **irreflexive** if $x \not R x$ or $(x,x) \notin R$; $\forall x : x \in X$
- Not Reflexive
  - A Relation *R* is **not reflexive** if at least one pair of $(x,x) \in R$, $\forall x : x \in X$
  - some elements are related to themselves but others are not

Example 12

The relation R on $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ defined by $(x,y) \in R$ if $x \leq y$, $x,y \in X$ is a reflexive relation.

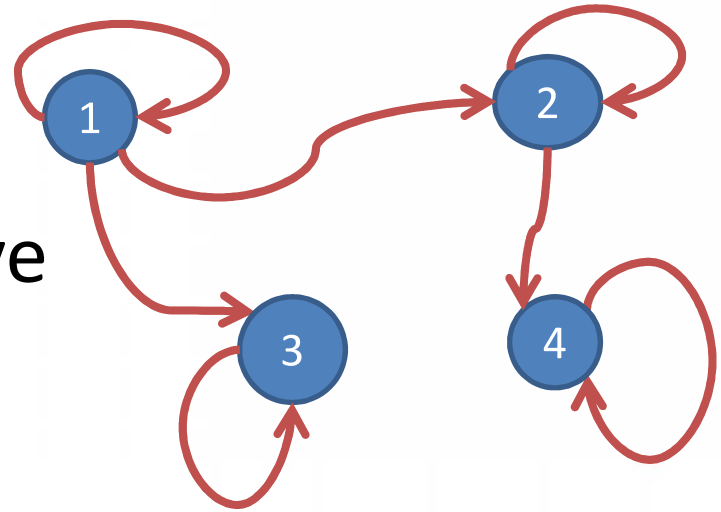
For each element $x \in X$, $(x,x) \in R$
(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (4,4) are each in R.

The relation $R = \{(a,a), (b,c), (c,b), (d,d)\}$ on $X=\{a, b, c, d\}$ is not reflexive.

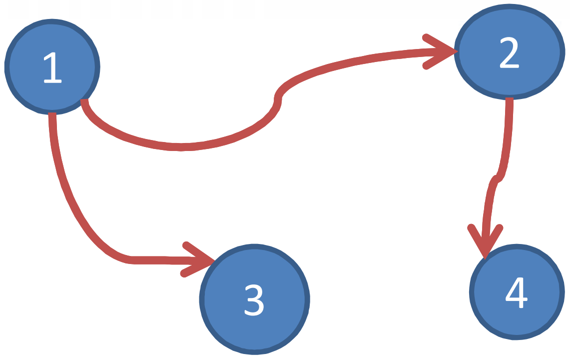
This is because $b \in X$, *but* $(b,b) \notin R$. Also $c \in X$, *but* $(c,c) \notin R$

Reflexive Relations

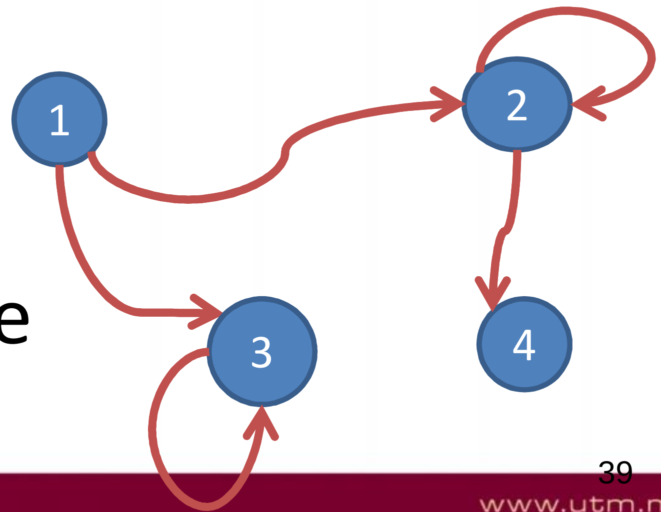
- Reflexive



- Irreflexive



- Not Reflexive



Reflexive Relations

- The relation *R* is reflexive if and only if the matrix of relation has 1's on the main diagonal.
- example

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

Irreflexive Relations

The relation R is *irreflexive* if and only if the matrix relation have all 0’s on its main diagonal

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

example

- The relation R is not reflexive.

$$\begin{array}{c} \\ a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{cccc} a & b & c & d \end{array} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

$b \in X$
$(b,b) \notin R$

Exercise 8

- Consider the following relations on the set {1, 2, 3}

  R_1 = { (1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (2,2), (3,1), (3,3) }

  R_2 = { (1,1), (1,3), (2,2), (3,1) }

  R_3 = { (2,3) }

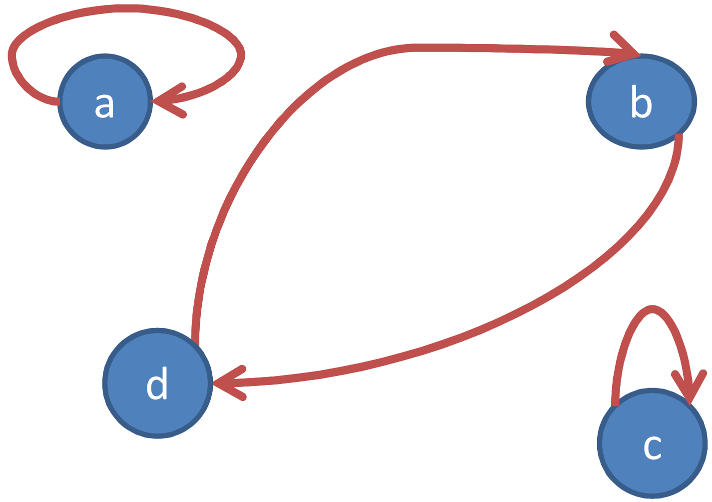
  R_4 = { (1,1) }

Which of them are reflexive?

Exercise 9

(i) Let R be the relation on $X=\{1,2,3,4\}$ defined by $(x,y) \in R$ if $x \leq y$, $x,y \in X$. Determine whether R is a reflexive relation.

(ii) The relation R on $X=\{a,b,c,d\}$ given by the below diagraph. Is R a reflexive relation?



Exercise 10

Let A = { 1,2,3,4). Construct the matrix of relation of *R*. Then, determine whether the relation is reflexive, not reflexive or irreflexive.

(i) *R* = { (1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (2,2), (3,3), (3,4), (4,3), (4,4))

(ii) *R* = { (1,3), (1,1), (3,1), (1,2), (3,3), (4,4)}

(iii) *R* ={ (1,2), (1,3), (3,1), (1,1), (3,3), (3,2), (1,4), (4,2), (3,4)}

(iv) *R* ={ (1,2), (1,3), (3,2), (1,4), (4,2), (3,4)}

Symmetric Relations

A relation R on a set X is called symmetric if for all $x,y \in X$, if $(x,y) \in R$, then $(y,x) \in R$.

$$\forall x,y \in X, (x,y) \in R \rightarrow (y,x) \in R$$

Let M be the matrix of relation R.

The relation R is symmetric if and only if for all i and j, the ij-th entry of M is equal to the ji-th entry of M.

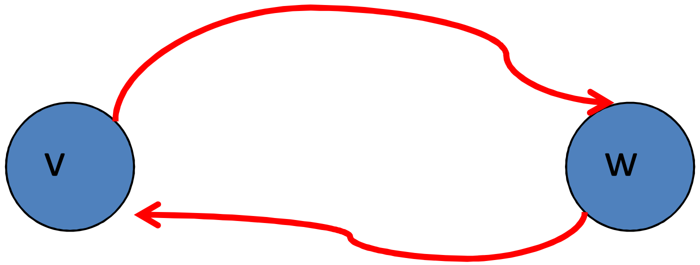
Symmetric Relations

- The matrix of relation M_R is symmetric if $M_R = M_R^T$
- Example

$$M_R = \begin{array}{c} \\ a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \begin{matrix} a & b & c & d \end{matrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{array} = M_R^T$$

Symmetric Relations

- The digraph of a symmetric relation has the property that whenever there is a directed edge from v to w, there is also a directed edge from w to v.



example

- The relation $R = \{ (a,a), (b,c), (c,b), (d,d) \}$ on $X = \{ a, b, c, d \}$

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

$$
\begin{array}{c|cccc}
 & a & b & c & d \\
a & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
b & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
c & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
d & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}
$$

symmetric

example

- The relation R on $X = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4 \}$, defined by

  $(x,y) \in R$ if $x \le y, x,y \in X$

$$
\begin{array}{c|cccc}
 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\
\hline
1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\
2 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\
3 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\
4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}
$$

$(2,3) \in R$
$(3,2) \notin R$

not symmetric

Antisymmetric

A relation R on set A is antisymmetric if $a \neq b$, whenever aRb, then $b \not{R} a$. In other word if whenever aRb, then bRa then it implies that $a=b$

$$\forall a,b \in A, (a,b) \in R \wedge a \neq b \rightarrow (b, a) \notin R$$

Or

$$\forall a,b \in A, (a,b) \in R \wedge (b, a) \in R \rightarrow a = b$$

Antisymmetric Relations

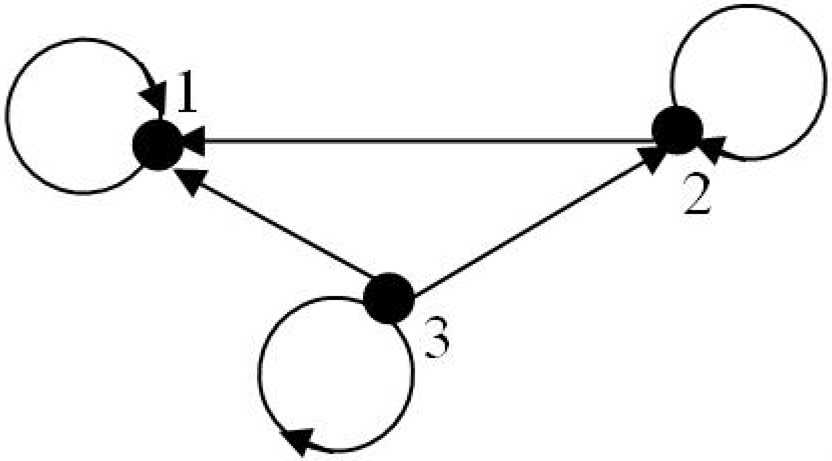
- Matrix $M_R = [M_{ij}]$ of an antisymmetric relation R satisfies the property that if $i \neq j$, then $m_{ij}=0$ or $m_{ji}=0$
- If R is antisymmetric relation, then for different vertices i and j there cannot be an edge from vertex i to vertex j and an edge from vertex j to vertex i
- At least one directed relation and one way

Example 14

- Let R be a relation on $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ defined as $(a, b) \in R$ if $a \geq b$, $a, b \in A$ is an antisymmetric relation because for all $a, b \in A$, $(a, b) \in R$ and $a \neq b$, then $(b, a) \notin R$, for example

$$(3, 2) \in R \text{ but } (2, 3) \notin R$$

$$(3, 3) \in R \text{ and } (3, 3) \in R \text{ implies } a = b$$



example

- The relation R on $X = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4 \}$ defined by,

  $(x,y) \in R$ if $x \leq y,\ x,y \in X$

$(1,2) \in R$
$(2,1) \notin R$

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antisymmetric

example

- The relation $R = \{ (a,a), (b,c), (c,b), (d,d) \}$ on $X = \{ a, b, c, d \}$

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

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not antisymmetric

example

- The relation
  $R = \{ (a,a), (b,b), (c,c) \}$
  on $X = \{ a, b, c \}$

- *R* has no members of the form (x,y) *with* $x \div y$, then R is antisymmetric

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\begin{array}{c} \\ a \\ b \\ c \end{array}
\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{ccc} a & b & c \end{array} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}
$$

example

- Antisymmetric
- Reflexive
- Symmetric

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} & a & b & c \\ a & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ b & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ c & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

- "Antisymmetric" is not the same as "not symmetric"

Asymmetric

A relation is asymmetric if and only if it is both antisymmetric and irreflexive.

The matrix $M_R = [m_{ij}]$ of an asymmetric relation R satisfies the property that

If $m_{ij} = 1$ then $m_{ji} = 0$

$m_{ii} = 0$ for all i (the main diagonal of matrix M_R consists entirely of 0's or otherwise)

Digraph

- If *R* is asymmetric relation, then the digraph of *R* cannot simultaneously have an edge from vertex *i* to vertex *j* and an edge from vertex *j* to vertex *i*
- All edges are “one way street” and no loop at every vertex

Example 17

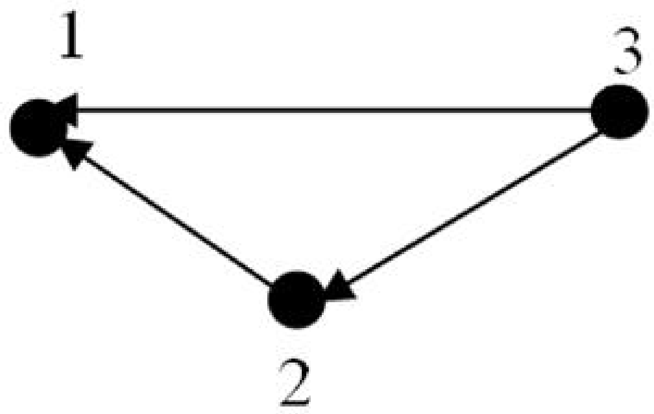
- Let R be the relation on A = {1, 2, 3} defined by $(a, b) \in R$ if $a > b$, $a,b \in A$ is an asymmetric relation because,

(2, 1) $\in R$ but (1, 2) $\notin R$

(3, 1) $\in R$ but (1, 3) $\notin R$

(3, 2) $\in R$ but (2, 3) $\notin R$

(1, 1) $\notin R$, (2, 2) $\notin R$, (3, 3) $\notin R$



Not Symmetric

- Let R be a relation on a set A. Then R is called ***not symmetric***, if for all $a, b \in A$, if $(a, b) \in R$, there exist $(b, a) \notin R$.

$$\exists a,b \in A, (a, b) \in R \rightarrow (b, a) \notin R$$

Not Symmetric AND not antisymmetric

- Let R be a relation on a set A. Then R is called ***not symmetric*** and ***not antisymmetric***, if for all $a, b \in A$, if $(a, b) \in R$, there exist $(b, a) \notin R$ and if $(a, b) \in R$, there exist $(b, a) \in R$.

$$\exists a,b \in A, (a, b) \in R \rightarrow (b, a) \in R$$

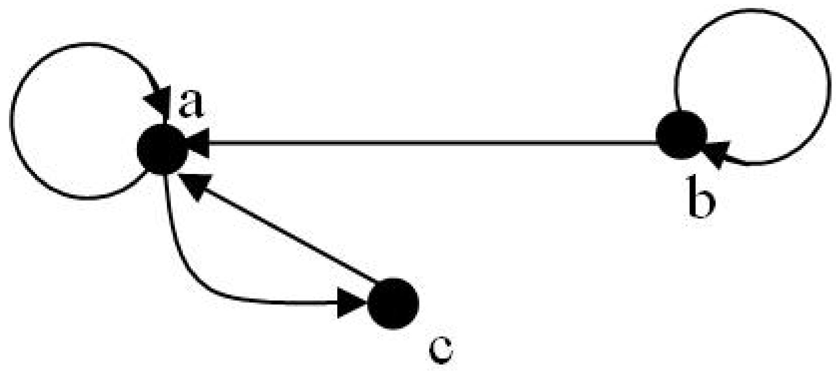
AND

$$\exists a,b \in A, (a, b) \in R \rightarrow (b, a) \notin R$$

Example 18

- Relation $R = \{(a, c), (b, b), (c, a), (b, a), (a, a)\}$ on $A = \{a, b, c\}$ is not symmetric and not antisymmetric relation because there is,

$(a,c), (c,a) \in R$ and also $(b,a) \in R$ but $(a,b) \notin R$



example

- The relation $R = \{ (a,a), (b,c), (c,b), (d,d) \}$ on $X = \{ a, b, c, d \}$

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

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

Symmetric
and
not antisymmetric

Example 20

1. Let $A=Z$, the set of integers and let $R=\{(a,b)\epsilon A\times A \mid a<b\}$. So that R is the relation "less than".

   Is R symmetric, asymmetric or antisymmetric?

2. Let $A=\{1,2,3,4\}$ and let $R = \{(1,2), (2,2), (3,4), (4,1)\}$

   Determine whether R symmetric, asymmetric or antisymmetric.

Solution

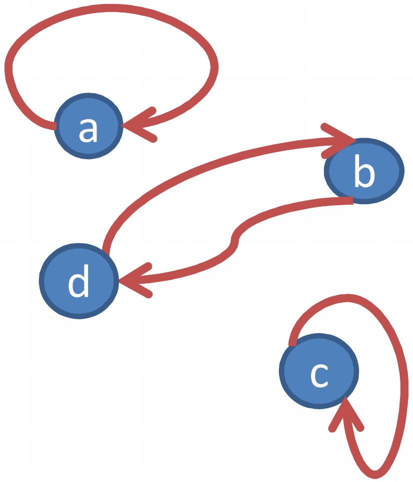
Question 1

- Symmetric : If $a<b$, then it is not true that $b<a$, so R is not symmetric
- Assymetric : If $a<b$ then $b>a$ (b is greater than a), so R is assymetric
- Antisymmetric : If $a \neq b$, then either $a>b$ or $b>a$, so R is antisymmetric

Question 2

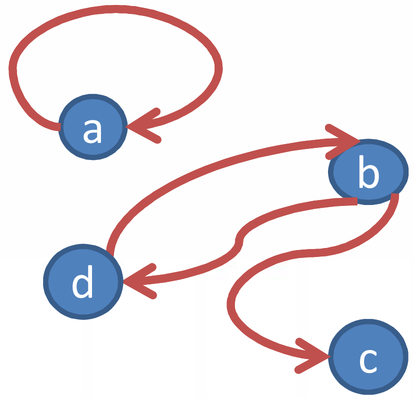
- R is not symmetric since $(1,2) \in R$, but $(2,1) \notin R$
- R is not asymmetric , since $(2,2) \in R$
- R is antisymmetric, since $a \neq b$, either $(a,b) \notin R$ or $(b,a) \notin R$

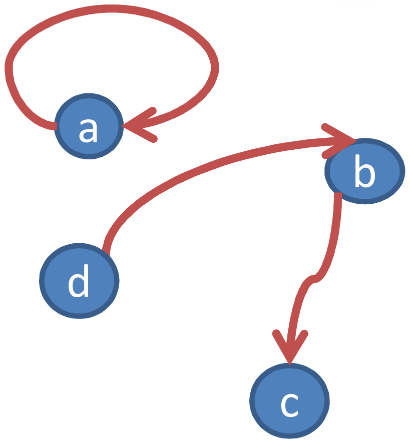
Summary on Symmetric



Symmetric

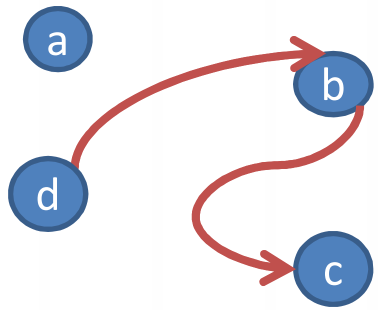
Not Symmetric





Antisymmetric

Asymmetric



Exercise 14

- Consider the following relations on the set {1,2,3}:

R_1={(1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (2,2), (3,1), (3,3)}

R_2={(1,1), (1,3), (2,2), (3,1)}

R_3={(2,3)}

R_4={(1,1)}

Which of them are symmetric?

Which of them are antisymmetric?

Exercise 15

Let A = { 1,2,3,4). Construct the matrix of relation of *R*:

(i) *R* = { (1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (2,2), (3,3), (3,4), (4,3), (4,4))

(ii) *R* = { (1,3), (1,1), (3,1), (1,2), (3,3), (4,4)}

(iii) *R* ={ (1,2), (1,3), (1,1), (3,3), (3,2), (1,4), (4,2), (3,4)}

Determine whether the relation is symmetric, assymetric, antisymmetric, not symmetric or not antisymmetric.

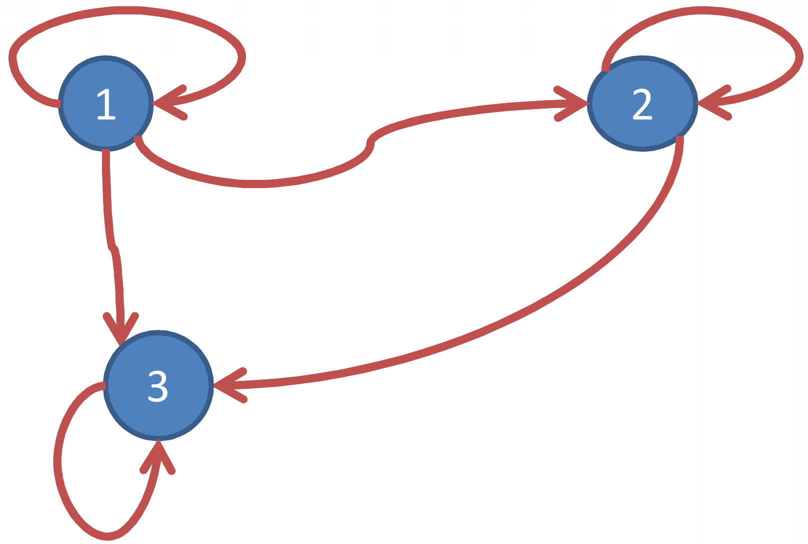
Transitive Relations

- A relation *R* on set *A* is transitive if for all *a,b*Č*A, (a,b)*Č*R* and *(b,c)*Č*R* implies that *(a,c)*Č*R*
- In the diagraph of *R*, *R* is a transitive relation if and only if there is a directed edge from one vertex *a* to another vertex *b*, an if there exits a directed edge from vertex *b* to vertex *c*, then there must exists a directed edge from *a* to *c*

Example 21

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

The diagraph:



Exercise 16

- Consider the following relations on the set {1,2,3}:

R_1={(1,1),(1,2),(2,3)}

R_2={(1,2),(2,3),(1,3) }

Which of them is transitive?

Transitive Relations

The matrix of the relation M_R is transitive if

$$M_R \otimes M_R = M_R$$

$\otimes$ is the product of boolean

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+	1	0
1	1	1
0	1	0

.	1	0
1	1	0
0	0	0

Example 22

The relation *R* on *A*={1,2,3} defined by *(a,b)*Č*R* if *a*á*b, a,b*Č*A,* is a transitive. The matrix of relation $M_{R,}$

$$M_R = \begin{array}{c} \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{array}\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

The product of boolean,

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

Note that,(1,2) and (2,3)$\in$*R*, (1,3)$\in$*R*

Example 23

The relation R on A={a,b,c,d} IS r={(a,a), (b,b), (c,c), (d,d), (a,c), (c,b)} is not transitive. The matrix of relation M_{R},

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

$M_R \otimes M_R \neq M_R$

The product of boolean,

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

(rows and columns of each matrix labelled a, b, c, d)

Note that,(a,c) and (c,b)$\in R$, (a,b)$\notin R$

Example 24

Let *R* be a relation on *A*={1,2,3} is defined by *(a,b)*Č*R* if *a*á*b, a,b*Č*A*. Find *R*. Is *R* a transitive relation?

Solution:

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

R is a transitive relation because

(1,2) and (2,2)$\in$*R*, (1,2)$\in$*R*

(1,2) and (2,3)Č*R*, (1,3)Č*R*

(1,3) and (3,3)Č*R*, (1,3)Č*R*

(2,2) and (2,3)$\in$*R*, (2,3)$\in$*R*

(2,3) and (3,3)$\in$*R*, (2,3)$\in$*R*

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Equivalence Relations

Relation R on set A is called an equivalence relation if it is a **reflexive, symmetric and transitive**.

Example 25

Let R={(1,1), (1,3), (2,2), (3,1), (3,3)} on {1,2,3}, the matirx of the relation M_R,

$$M_R = \begin{array}{c} \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

All the main diagonal matrix elements are 1 and the matris is reflexive.

Equivalence Relations

Example 25(Cont.)

The transpose matrix M_R,M_R^T is equal to M_R, so R is symmetric

$$M_R = \begin{array}{c} \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \qquad M_R^T = \begin{array}{c} \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

The product of boolean show that the matrix is transitive.

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

Example

- The relation, R={ (1,1), (1,3), (1,5), (2,2), (2,4), (3,1), (3,3), (3,5), (4,2), (4,4), (5,1), (5,3), (5,5) } on { 1,2,3,4,5 }

  - **Reflexive?**
  - **Symmetric?**
  - **Transitive?**

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

Example

- Reflexive?

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

Reflexive Ě

Example

- Symmetric?

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

SymmetricĚ

Example

- Transitive?

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

Example

- Reflexive
- Symmetric
- Transitive

} Equivalence relation

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

Example

- The relation R on X={ 1, 2, 3, 4 }, defined by
  $(x,y) \in R$ if $x \leq y$, $x,y \in X$

- Not symmetric
  - $(2,3) \in R$ but $(3,2) \notin R$

- R is not equivalence relation on X.

Partial Order Relations

Relation *R* on set *A* is called a partial order relation if it is a **reflexive**, **antisymmetric** and **transitive**.

Example 26

Let *R* be a relation on a set *A*={1,2,3} defined by *(a,b)*Č*R* if *a*á*b, a,b*Č*R*.

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

R is reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive.

So *R* is a partial order relation.

Exercise 17

The relation *R* on the set {1,2,3,4,5} defined by the rule *(x,y)*Č*R* if *x+y*á*6*

(i) List the elements of R

(ii) Find the domain of R

(iii) Find the range of R

(iv) Is the relation of R refelxive, symmetric, assymmetric, antisymmetric, transitive, and/or equivalence relation or partial order?

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Exercise 18

The relation *R* on the set {1,2,3,4,5} defined by the rule *(x,y)*Č*R* if 3 divides *x*-*y*

(i) List the elements of R

(ii) Find the domain of R

(iii) Find the range of R

(iv) Is the relation of R refelxive, symmetric, assymmetric, antisymmetric, transitive, and/or equivalence relation or partial order?

Exercise 19

The relation *R* on the set {1,2,3,4,5} defined by the rule *(x,y)*Č*R* if *x=y-1*

(i) List the elements of R

(ii) Find the domain of R

(iii) Find the range of R

(iv) Is the relation of R refelxive, symmetric, assymmetric, antisymmetric, transitive, and/or equivalence relation or partial order?