

Chapter 5 roadmap:

- ▶ Introduction to relations (Monday before break)
- ▶ Properties of relations (Wednesday and Friday before break)
- ▶ Transitive closure (**Today**)
- ▶ Partial order relations (next week Monday)
- ▶ Review for Test 2 (next week Wednesday)
- ▶ Test 2 on Chapters 4 & 5 (next week Friday)

Today:

- ▶ Review of relation properties
- ▶ An arithmetic on relations
- ▶ Computing whether a function is transitive
- ▶ Transitive closure

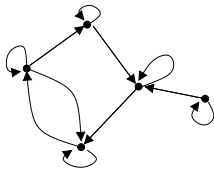
A relation from one set to another	R	set of pairs	subset of $X \times Y$ $R \subseteq X \times Y$	isEnrolledIn, isTaughtBy
A relation on a set	R	set of pairs	subset of $X \times X$ $R \subseteq X \times X$	eats, divides
The image of an element under a relation	$\mathcal{I}_R(a)$	set	set of things that a is related to $\mathcal{I}_R(a) = \{b \in Y \mid (a, b) \in R\}$	classes Bob is enrolled in, numbers that 4 divides
The image of a set under a relation	$\mathcal{I}_R(A)$	set	set of things that things in A are related to $\mathcal{I}_R(A) = \{b \in Y \mid \exists a \in A \mid (a, b) \in R\}$	classes Bob, Larry, or Alice are taking, numbers that 2, 3, or 5 divide
The inverse of a relation	R^{-1}	relation	the arrows/pairs of R reversed $R^{-1} = \{(b, a) \in Y \times X \mid (a, b) \in R\}$	hasOnRoster, teaches, isEatenBy, isDivisibleBy
The composition of two relations	$S \circ R$	relation	two hops combined to one hop (Assume $S \subseteq Y \times Z$) $S \circ R = \{(a, c) \in X \times Z \mid \exists b \in Y \mid (a, b) \in R \wedge (b, c) \in S\}$	hasAsProfessor, eatsSomethingThatEats
The identity relation on a set	i_X	relation	everything is related only to itself $i_X = \{(x, x) \mid x \in X\}$	=

Reflexivity

Informal Everything is related to itself

Formal $\forall x \in X, (x, x) \in R$

Visual

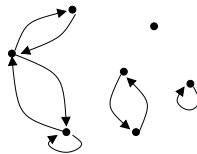


Examples $\subseteq, \leq, \geq, \equiv, i$, isAquiredWith,
waterVerticallyAligned

Symmetry

All pairs are mutual

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

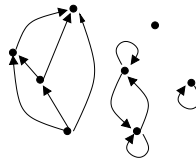


Examples \equiv , isOppositeOf,
isOnSameRiver,
isAquiredWith

Transitivity

Anything reachable by two hops is
reachable by one hop

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



Examples $<, \leq, >, \geq, \subseteq$, isTallerThan,
isAncestorOf, isWestOf

Operators

$$x + y$$
$$-x$$

$$p \vee q$$
$$\sim p$$

$$A \cup B$$
$$\overline{A}$$

Distribution

$$x \cdot (y + z)$$
$$= x \cdot y + x \cdot z$$

$$p \wedge (q \vee r)$$
$$\equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$$

$$A \cap (B \cup C)$$
$$= (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$$

Identity

$$x + 0 = x$$
$$x \cdot 1 = x$$

$$p \vee T \equiv p$$
$$p \wedge F \equiv p$$

$$A \cup \emptyset = A$$
$$A \cap \mathcal{U} = A$$

$$S \circ R$$

$$R^{-1}$$

$$i_X \circ R = R$$

$$R^2 = R \circ R$$

R	is one less than	eats	is parent of
R^2	is two less than	eats something that eats	is grandparent of
R^3	is three less than	eats something that eats something that eats	is great grandparent of
???	<	gets nutrients from	is ancestor of

Definition of transitivity

Short form: $\forall (x, y), (y, z) \in R, (x, z) \in R$

Transform this to:

$$\forall (x, y) \in R, \forall (w, z) \in R, \text{ if } y = w \text{ then } (x, z) \in R$$

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Computing transitivity is a $\forall \forall \exists$ problem

Our strategy is, for each pair (x, y) , walk through the whole (original) list. If the list

1. is empty, then true (vacuously)
2. begins with (y, z) (that is, begins with (w, z) where $y = w$), then search the whole (original) list for (x, z) .
 - 2.1 if found, keep searching
 - 2.2 if not found, then false
3. begins with (w, z) for $w \neq y$, skip it and keep searching

Domain

Rivers

First relation

flows into

The Platte flows into the Missouri, and the Missouri flows into the Mississippi.

Second relation

is tributary to

The Platte is a tributary to the Missouri; both the Platte and the Missouri are tributaries to the Mississippi.

People

is parent of

Bill is Jane's parent; Jane is Leroy's parent

is ancestor of

Bill is Jane's ancestor; Leroy has both Jane and Bill as ancestors.

Domain

Animals

First relation

eats

Rabbit eats clover; coyote eats rabbit.

Second relation

derives nutrients from

Coyote derives nutrients from rabbit; rabbit derives nutrients from clover; both coyote and rabbit ultimately derive nutrients from clover.

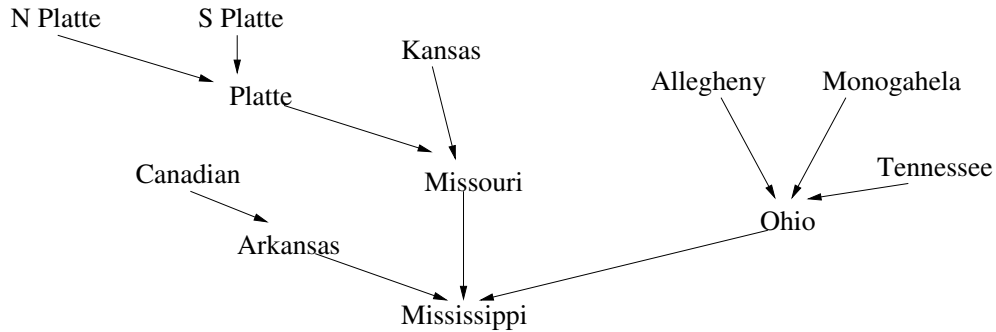
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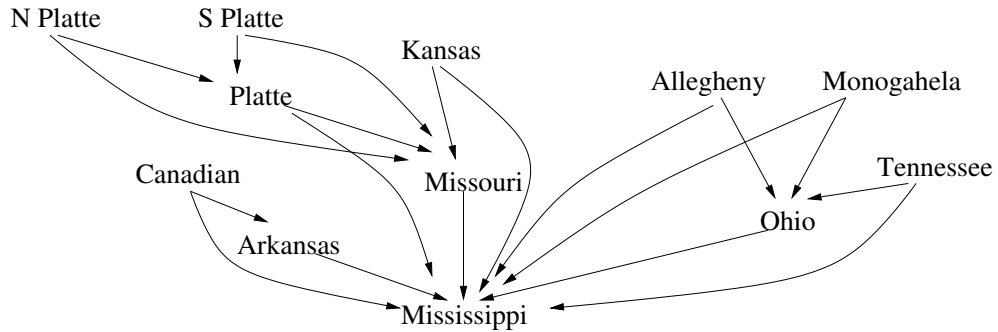
is one less than

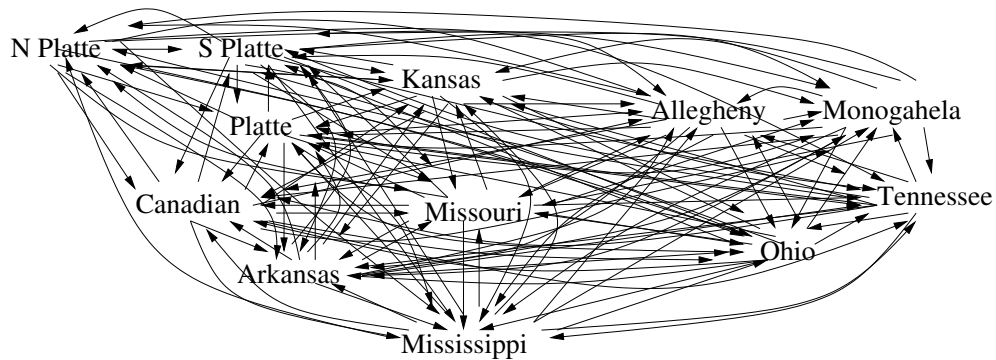
2 is one less than 3; 3 is one less than 4

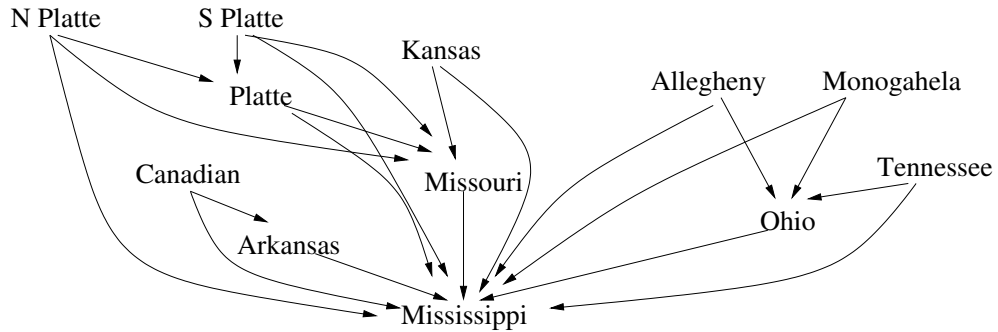
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$2 < 3$; $3 < 4$; $2 < 4$.









If R is a relation on X , then R^T is the **transitive closure** of R if

- ▶ R^T is transitive
- ▶ $R \subseteq R^T$
- ▶ If S is a transitive relation such that $R \subseteq S$, then $R^T \subseteq S$

Which of the following expresses a transitive closure?

- ▶ My friends are my friends, and no one else.
- ▶ Any friend of my friend is also my friend.
- ▶ Any friend of my friends' friends is also my friend.
- ▶ My friends are my friends, and so are my friends's friends, and so are my friends' friends' friends, and so on forever.

Let R be a relation and let T be the transitive closure of R . What, then, do you know to be true? Select all that apply.

- ▶ R is transitive
- ▶ T is a proposition
- ▶ T is a relation
- ▶ T is transitive
- ▶ T is a powerset
- ▶ $R \subseteq T$
- ▶ $T \subseteq R$

Theorem 5.12 *The transitive closure of a relation R is unique.*

Proof. *Suppose S and T are relations fulfilling the requirements for being transitive closures of R . By items 1 and 2, S is transitive and $R \subseteq S$, so by item 3, $T \subseteq S$. By items 1 and 2, T is transitive and $R \subseteq T$, so by item 3, $S \subseteq T$. Therefore $S = T$ by the definition of set equality. \square*

Other closures:

Ex 5.7.2 $R \cup i_A$ is the reflexive closure of R

Ex 5.7.3. $R \cup R^{-1}$ is the symmetric closure of R . (HW)

Ex 5.7.2 $R \cup i_A$ is the reflexive closure of R

Proof. Suppose R is a relation on A .

[$R \cup i_A$ is reflexive:] Suppose $a \in A$. $(a, a) \in i_A$ by definition of identity relation. $(a, a) \in R \cup i_A$ by definition of union. Hence $R \cup i_A$ is reflexive by definition.

[$R \subseteq R \cup i_A$:] Suppose $(a, b) \in R$. Then $(a, b) \in R \cup i_A$ by definition of union. Hence $R \subseteq R \cup i_A$. (Alternately, we could have cited Exercise 4.2.1.)

[$R \cup i_A$ is the smallest such relation:] Suppose S is a reflexive relation such that $R \subseteq S$. Suppose further $(a, b) \in R \cup i_A$. By definition of union, $(a, b) \in R$ or $(a, b) \in i_A$.

Case 1: Suppose $(a, b) \in R$. Then $(a, b) \in S$ by definition of subset (since we supposed $R \subseteq S$).

Case 2: Suppose $(a, b) \in i_A$. Then, by definition of identity relation, $a = b$. $(a, a) \in S$ by definition of reflexive (since we suppose S is reflexive). $(a, b) \in S$ by substitution.

Either way, $(a, b) \in S$ and hence $R \cup i_A \subseteq S$ by definition of subset.

Therefore, $R \cup i_A$ is the reflexive closure of R . \square

Theorem 5.13 *If R is a relation on a set A , then*

$$R^\infty = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} R^i = \{(x, y) \mid \exists i \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } (x, y) \in R^i\}$$

is the transitive closure of R .

Proof. *Suppose R is a relation on a set A .*

Suppose $a, b, c \in A$, $(a, b), (b, c) \in R^\infty$. By the definition of R^∞ , there exist $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $(a, b) \in R^i$ and $(b, c) \in R^j$. By the definition of relation composition and Exercise 5.7.4, $(a, c) \in R^j \circ R^i = R^{i+j}$. $R^{i+j} \subseteq R^\infty$ by the definition of R^∞ . By the definition of subset, $(a, c) \in R^\infty$. Hence, R^∞ is transitive by definition.

Suppose $a, b \in A$ and $(a, b) \in R$. By the definition of R^∞ (taking $i = 1$), $(a, b) \in R^\infty$, and so $R \subseteq R^\infty$, by definition of subset.

Suppose S is a transitive relation on A and $R \subseteq S$. Further suppose $(a, b) \in R^\infty$. Then, by definition of R^∞ , there exists $i \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $(a, b) \in R^i$. By Lemma 5.14, $(a, b) \in S$. Hence $R^\infty \subseteq S$ by definition of subset.

Therefore, R^∞ is the transitive closure of R . \square

For next time:

Pg 217: 5.6.(1 & 3)

Pg 222: 5.7.(3,4,5)

For Exercise 5.7.4, it should say $(S \circ R) \circ Q = S \circ (R \circ Q)$ instead of $(R \circ S) \circ Q = R \circ (S \circ Q)$.

Read 5.(8 & 9)

Take quiz