

CSE 311 Foundations of Computing I

Lecture 21
Relations
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Announcements

- Reading assignments
 - 7th Edition, Section 9.1 and pp. 594-601
 - 6th Edition, Section 8.1 and pp. 541-548
 - 5th Edition, Section 7.1 and pp. 493-500
- Upcoming topics
 - Relations
 - Finite State Machines

Definition of Relations

Let A and B be sets,
A **binary relation from A to B** is a subset of $A \times B$

Let A be a set,
A **binary relation on A** is a subset of $A \times A$

Relation Examples

$$R_1 = \{(a, 1), (a, 2), (b, 1), (b, 3), (c, 3)\}$$

$$R_2 = \{(x, y) \mid x \equiv y \pmod{5}\}$$

$$R_3 = \{(c_1, c_2) \mid c_1 \text{ is a prerequisite of } c_2\}$$

$$R_4 = \{(s, c) \mid \text{student } s \text{ had taken course } c\}$$

Properties of Relations

Let R be a relation on A

R is **reflexive** iff $(a, a) \in R$ for every $a \in A$

R is **symmetric** iff $(a, b) \in R$ implies $(b, a) \in R$

R is **antisymmetric** iff $(a, b) \in R$ and $a \neq b$ implies $(b, a) \notin R$

R is **transitive** iff $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$ implies $(a, c) \in R$

Combining Relations

Let R be a relation from A to B
Let S be a relation from B to C
The composite of R and S, $S \circ R$ is the relation from A to C defined

$$S \circ R = \{(a, c) \mid \exists b \text{ such that } (a, b) \in R \text{ and } (b, c) \in S\}$$

Examples

$(a,b) \in \text{Parent}$: b is a parent of a

$(a,b) \in \text{Sister}$: b is a sister of a

What is $\text{Sister} \circ \text{Parent}$?

What is $\text{Parent} \circ \text{Sister}$?

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$$S \circ R = \{(a, c) \mid \exists b \text{ such that } (a,b) \in R \text{ and } (b,c) \in S\}$$

Examples

Using the relations: Parent, Child, Brother, Sister, Sibling, Father, Mother, Husband, Wife express -

Uncle: b is an uncle of a

Cousin: b is a cousin of a

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Powers of a Relation

$$R^2 = R \circ R = \{(a, c) \mid \exists b \text{ such that } (a,b) \in R \text{ and } (b,c) \in R\}$$

$$R^0 = \{(a,a) \mid a \in A\}$$

$$R^1 = R$$

$$R^{n+1} = R^n \circ R$$

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How is



Anderson

related to



Copernicus

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How is



Suciu

related to



Copernicus

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<http://genealogy.math.ndsu.nodak.edu/>

Mathematics Genealogy Project

Edward Delano Lazowska
[MamSciNet](#)
 Ph.D. University of Toronto 1977

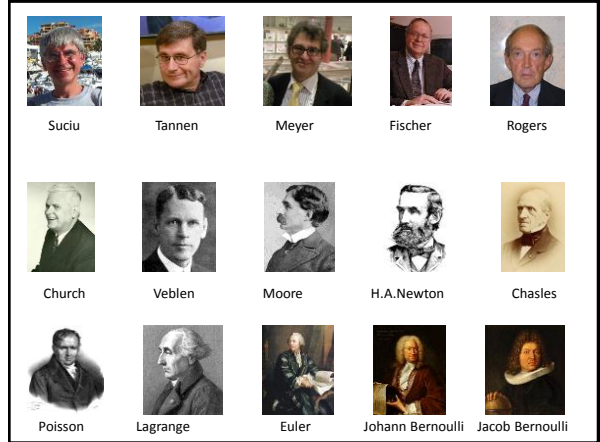
Dissertation: *Characterizing Service Time and Response Time Distributions in Queuing Network Models of Computer Systems*
 Advisor: [Kenneth Clem Sevick](#)

Students:
 Click [here](#) to see the students listed in chronological order.

Name	School	Year	Descendants
Thomas Anderson	University of Washington	1991	54
Robert Bedichak	University of Washington	1994	
John Bennett	University of Washington	1988	9
Brian Bershad	University of Washington	1990	16
Jeffrey Chase	University of Washington	1995	7
Sung Chung	University of Washington	1990	
Edward Felten	University of Washington	1993	8
Richard Garner	University of Washington	1982	
Patricia Jacobson	University of Washington	1984	
Henry (Frank) Levy	University of Washington	1981	123
Yi-Bing Lin	University of Washington	1990	13

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Nicolaus Copernicus	Nicolaus Copernicus
Georg Rheticus	Georg Rheticus
Moritz Steinmetz	Moritz Steinmetz
Christoph Meurer	Christoph Meurer
Philipp Muller	Philipp Muller
Erhard Weigel	Erhard Weigel
Gottfried Leibniz	Gottfried Leibniz
Noclas Malebranache	Noclas Malebranache
Jacob Bernoulli	Jacob Bernoulli
Johann Bernoulli	Johann Bernoulli
Leonhard Euler	Leonhard Euler
Joseph Lagrange	Joseph Lagrange
Jean-Baptiste Fourier	Michel Chasles
Gustav Dirichlet	H. A. (Hubert Anson) Newton
Rudolf Lipschitz	E. H. (Eliakim Hastings) Moore
Felix Klein	Oswald Veblen
C. L. Ferdinand Lindemann	Alonzo Church
Herman Minkowski	Hartley Rogers, Jr.
Constantin Caratheodory	Patrick Carl Fischer
Georg Aumann	Albert Ronald da Silva Meyer
Friedrich Bauer	Val Tannen
Manfred Paul	Dan Suciu
Ernst Mayr	
Richard Anderson	

n-ary relations

Let A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n be sets. An n-ary relation on these sets is a subset of $A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n$.

Relational databases

STUDENT

Student_Name	ID_Number	Office	GPA
Knuth	328012098	022	4.00
Von Neuman	481080220	555	3.78
Russell	238082388	022	3.85
Einstein	238001920	022	2.11
Newton	1727017	333	3.61
Karp	348882811	022	3.98
Bernoulli	2921938	022	3.21

Relational databases

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Knuth	328012098	022	4.00	CSE351
Von Neuman	481080220	555	3.78	CSE311
Russell	238082388	022	3.85	CSE312
Russell	238082388	022	3.85	CSE344
Russell	238082388	022	3.85	CSE351
Newton	1727017	333	3.61	CSE312
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What wrong?

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238082388	CSE351
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348882811	CSE311
348882811	CSE312
348882811	CSE344
348882811	CSE351
2921938	CSE351

Better

Database Operations: Projection

Find all offices: $\Pi_{\text{Office}}(\text{STUDENT})$

Office
022
555
333

Find offices and GPAs: $\Pi_{\text{Office,GPA}}(\text{STUDENT})$

Office	GPA
022	4.00
555	3.78
022	3.85
022	2.11
333	3.61
022	3.98
022	3.21

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Database Operations: Selection

Find students with GPA > 3.9 : $\sigma_{\text{GPA}>3.9}(\text{STUDENT})$

Student_Name	ID_Number	Office	GPA
Knuth	328012098	022	4.00
Karp	348882811	022	3.98

Retrieve the name and GPA for students with GPA > 3.9 :
 $\Pi_{\text{Student_Name,GPA}}(\sigma_{\text{GPA}>3.9}(\text{STUDENT}))$

Student_Name	GPA
Knuth	4.00
Karp	3.98

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Database Operations: Natural Join

Student \bowtie Takes

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