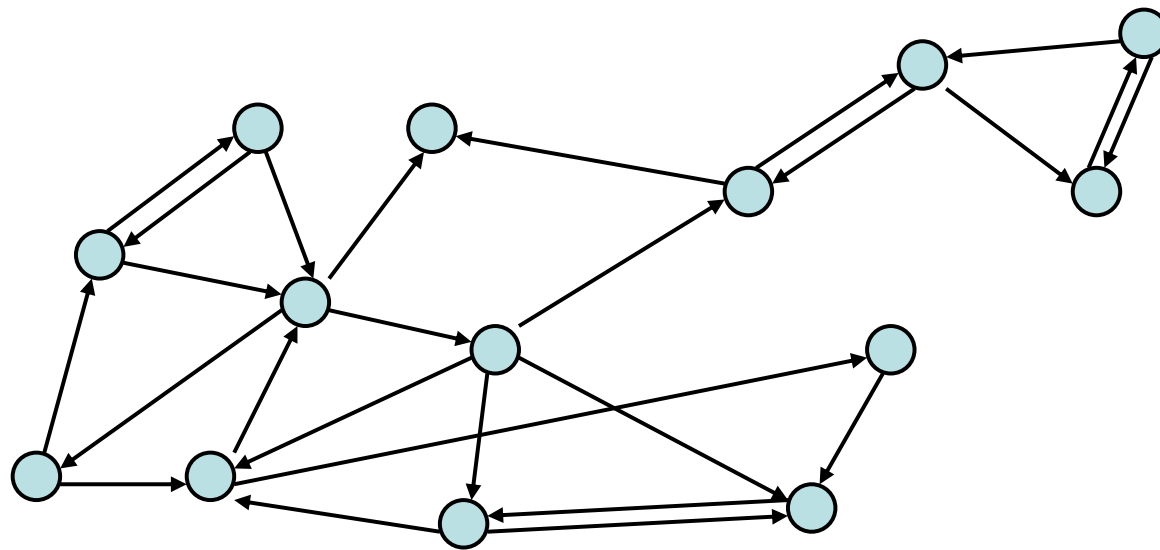


CSE 311: Foundations of Computing

Lecture 22: Relations and Directed Graphs



Last time: Languages — REs and CFGs

Saw two new ways of defining languages

- **Regular Expressions** $(0 \cup 1)^* 0110 (0 \cup 1)^*$
 - easy to understand (declarative)
- **Context-free Grammars** $S \rightarrow SS \mid 0S1 \mid 1S0 \mid \varepsilon$
 - more expressive
 - (\approx recursively-defined sets)

We will connect these to machines shortly.

But first, we need some new math terminology....

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 $A \times A$

Relations You Already Know

\geq on \mathbb{N}

That is: $\{(x,y) : x \geq y \text{ and } x, y \in \mathbb{N}\}$

$<$ on \mathbb{R}

That is: $\{(x,y) : x < y \text{ and } x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$

$=$ on Σ^*

That is: $\{(x,y) : x = y \text{ and } x, y \in \Sigma^*\}$

\subseteq on $\mathcal{P}(U)$ for universe U

That is: $\{(A,B) : A \subseteq B \text{ and } A, B \in \mathcal{P}(U)\}$

More Relation Examples

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

$$R_2 = \{(x, y) \mid x \equiv_5 y\}$$

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

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

Properties of Relations

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Combining Relations

Let R be a relation from A to B .

Let S be a relation from B to C .

The **composition** of R and S , $R \circ S$ is the relation from A to C defined by:

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

Intuitively, a pair is in the composition if there is a “connection” from the first to the second.

Examples

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

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

When is $(x,y) \in \text{Parent} \circ \text{Sister}$?

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Examples

Using only the relations **Parent, Child, Father, Son, Brother, Sibling, Husband** and *composition*, express the following:

Uncle: b is an uncle of a

Cousin: b is a cousin of a

Powers of a Relation

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

$$R^0 = \{(a, a) \mid a \in A\} \quad \text{“the equality relation on } A\text{”}$$

$$R^{n+1} = R^n \circ R \quad \text{for } n \geq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e.g., } R^1 &= R^0 \circ R = R \\ R^2 &= R^1 \circ R = R \circ R \end{aligned}$$

Non-constructive Definitions

Recursively defined sets and functions describe these objects by explaining how to construct / compute them

But sets can also be defined non-constructively:

$$S = \{x : P(x)\}$$

How can we define functions non-constructively?

- (useful for writing a function specification)

Functions

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A **function** f from A to B is a relation from A to B such that: for every $a \in A$, there is *exactly one* $b \in B$ with $(a, b) \in f$

I.e., for every input $a \in A$, there is one output $b \in B$.
We denote this b by $f(a)$.

(When attempting to define a function this way, we sometimes say the function is “well defined” if the *exactly one* part holds)

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Ex: $\{(a, b), d) : d \text{ is the largest integer dividing } a \text{ and } b\}$

- $\text{gcd} : \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$
- defined without knowing how to compute it

Matrix Representation

Relation R on $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_p\}$

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

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

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1	1	1	0	1
2	1	0	1	0
3	0	1	1	0
4	0	1	1	0

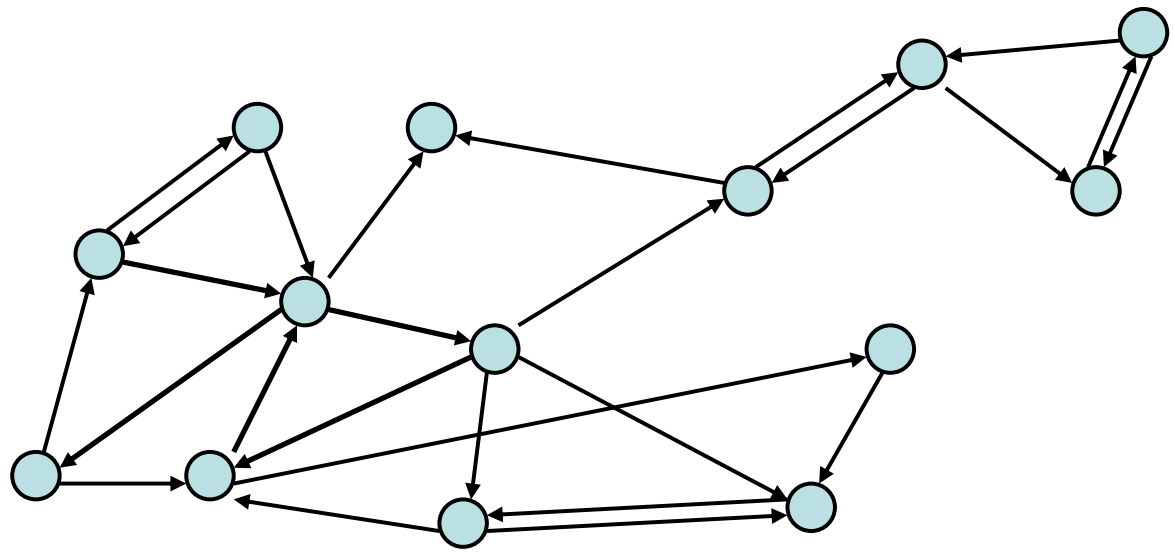
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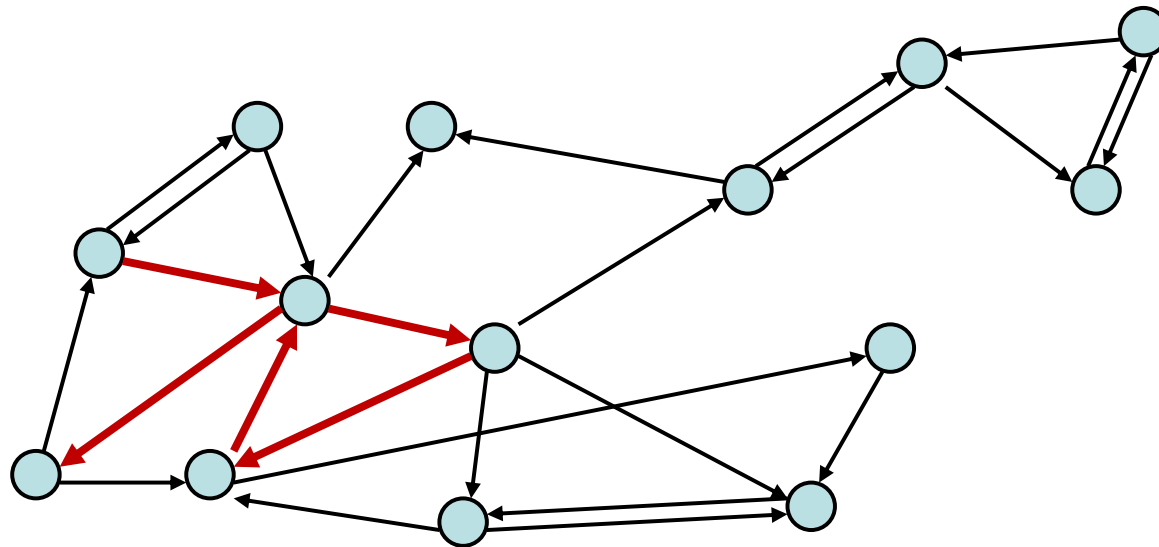
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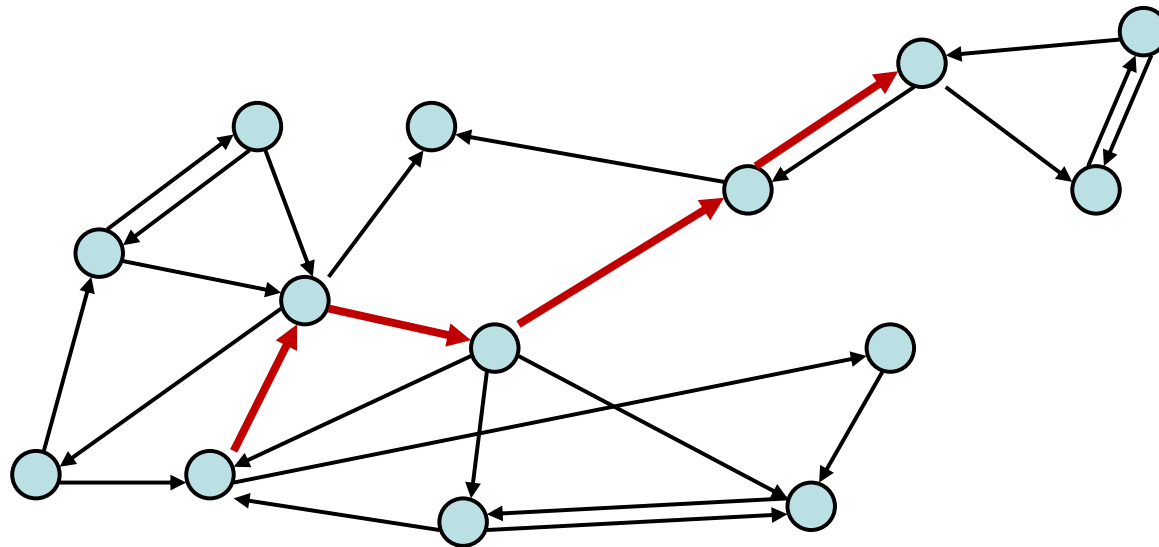
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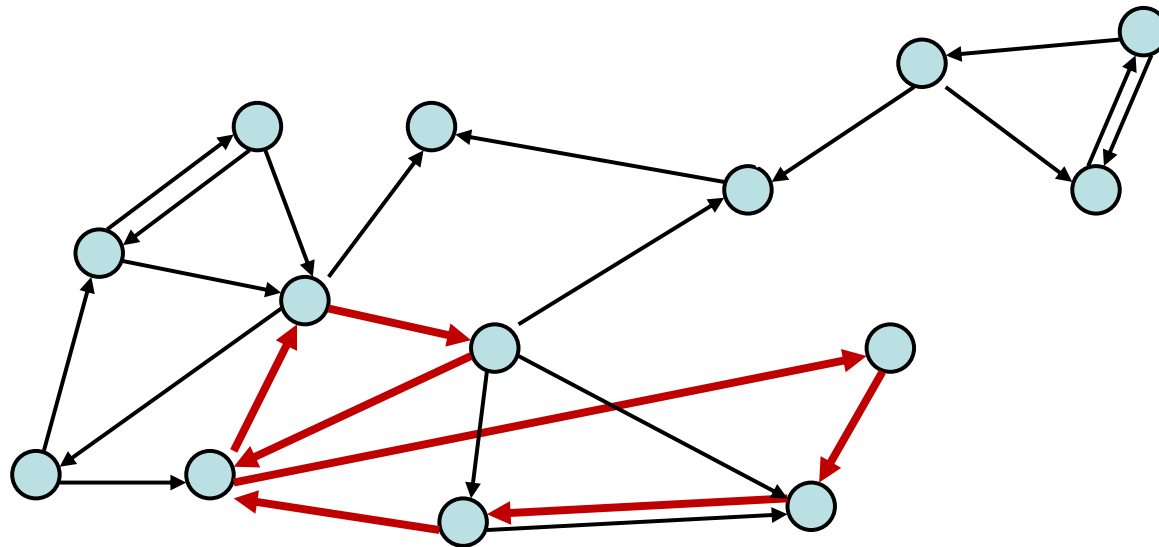
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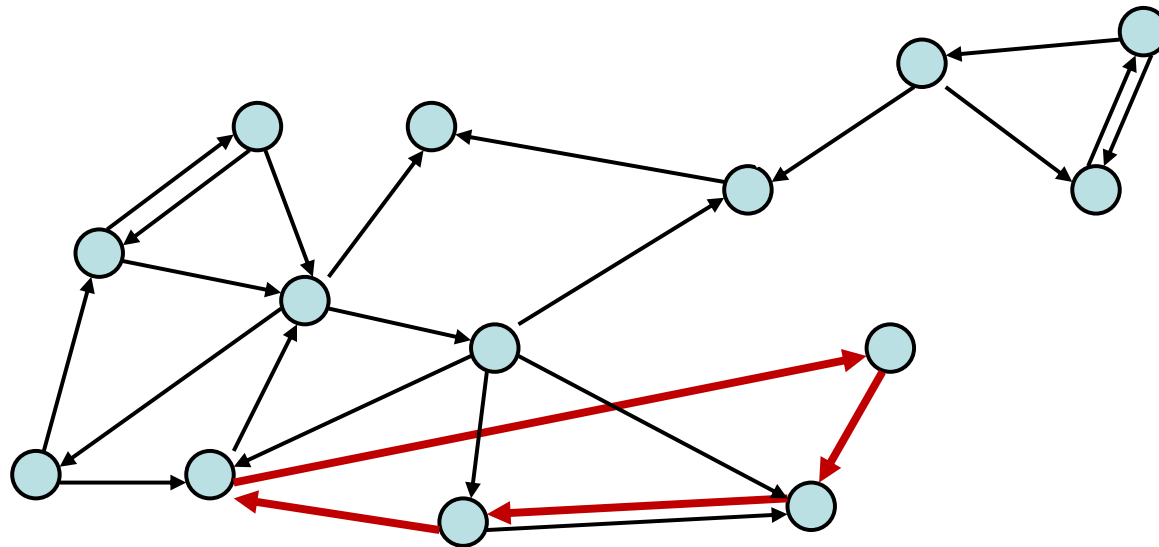
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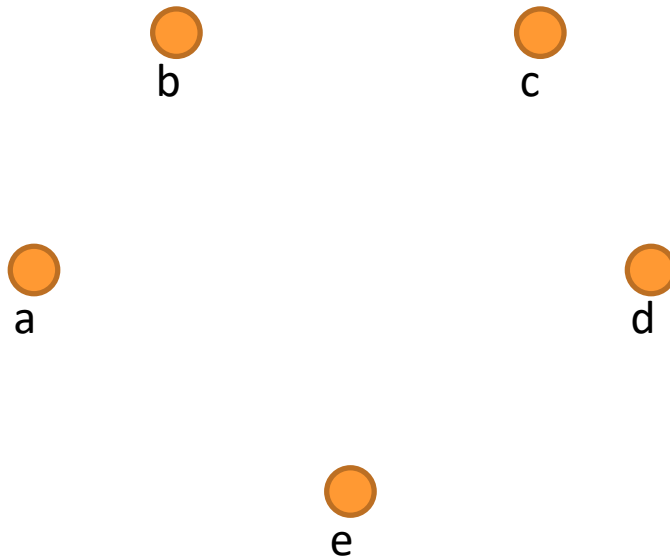
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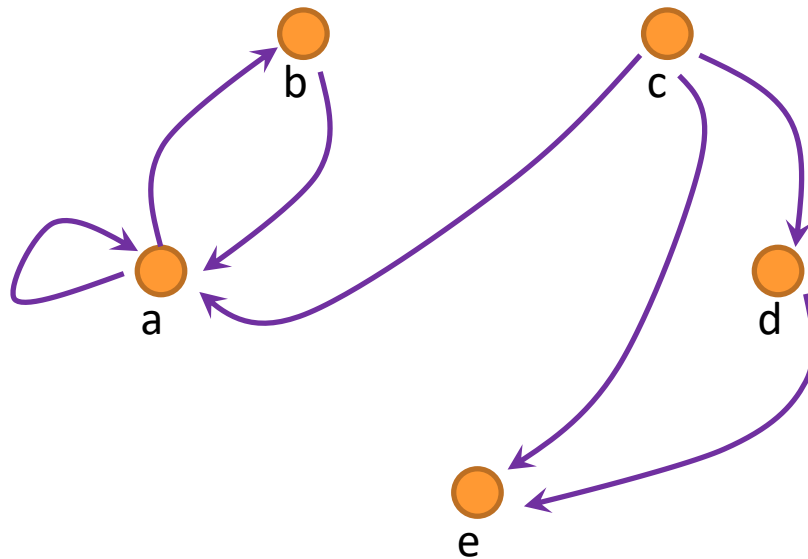
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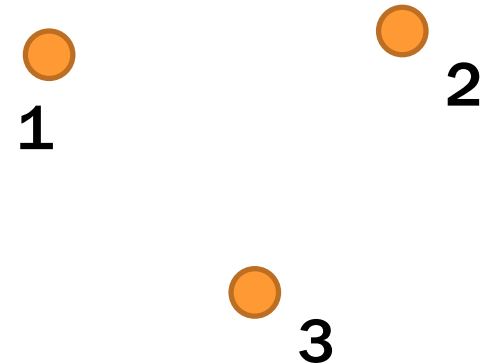
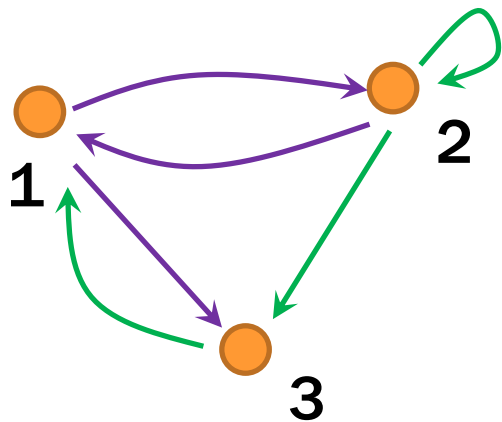
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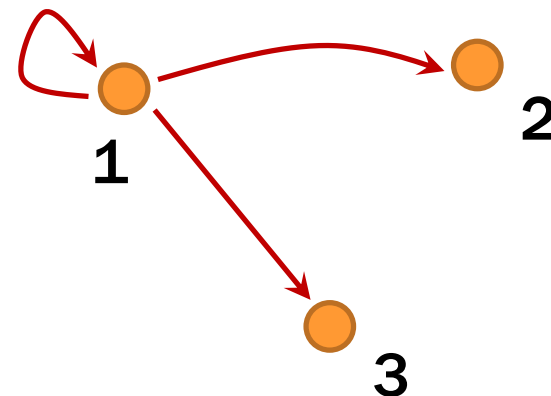
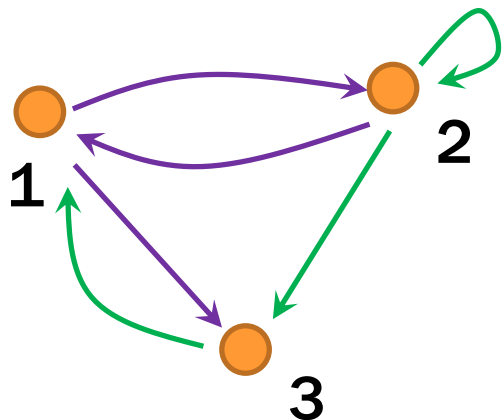
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Special case: $R \circ R$ is paths of length 2.

- R is paths of length 1
- R^0 is paths of length 0 (can't go anywhere)
- $R^3 = R^2 \circ R$ etc, so is R^n paths of length n

Paths in Relations and Graphs

Def: The **length** of a path in a graph is the number of edges in it (counting repetitions if edge used $>$ once).

Let R be a relation on a set A . There is a path of length n from a to b if and only if $(a,b) \in R^n$

Connectivity In Graphs

Def: Two vertices in a graph are **connected** iff there is a path between them.

Let R be a relation on a set A . The **connectivity** relation R^* consists of the pairs (a, b) such that there is a path from a to b in R .

$$R^* = \bigcup_{k=0}^{\infty} R^k$$

Note: The text uses the wrong definition of this quantity. What the text defines (ignoring $k=0$) is usually called R^+

How Properties of Relations show up in Graphs

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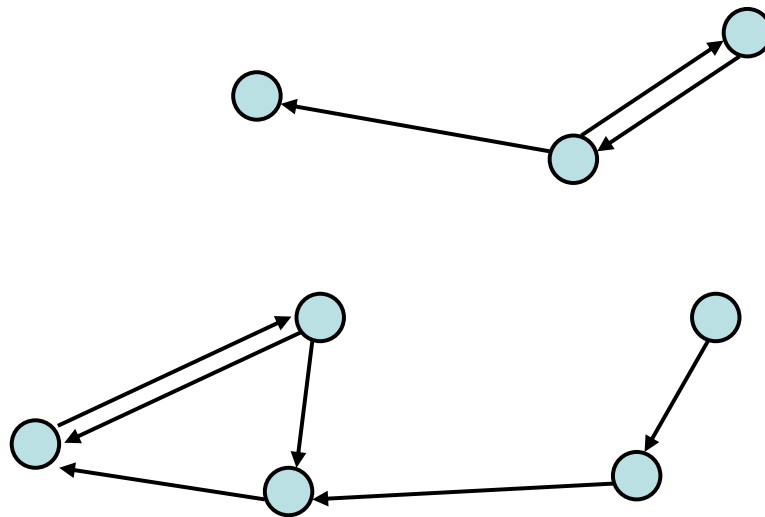
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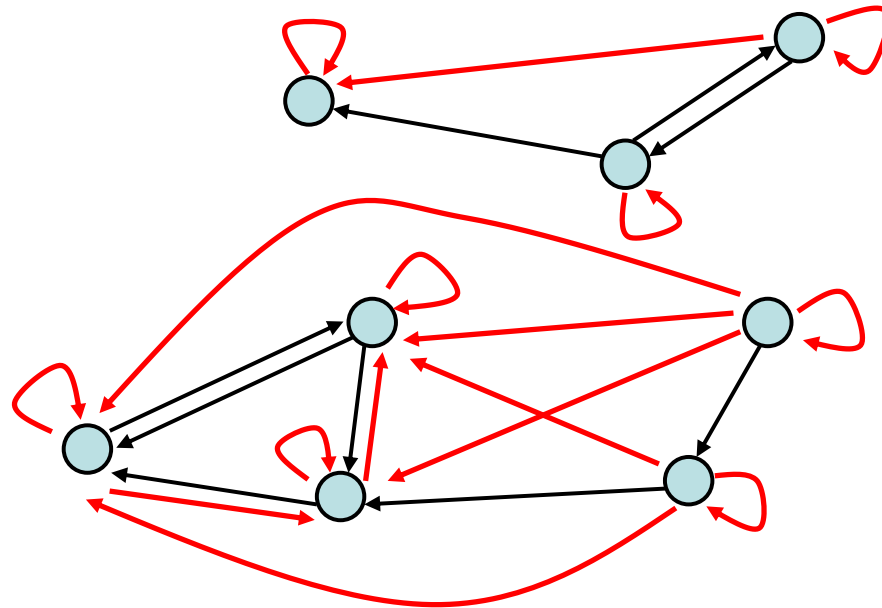
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Transitive-Reflexive Closure



Add the **minimum possible** number of edges to make the relation transitive and reflexive.

Transitive-Reflexive Closure



Relation with the **minimum possible** number of **extra edges** to make the relation both transitive and reflexive.

The **transitive-reflexive closure** of a relation R is the connectivity relation R^*

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
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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
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Database Operations: Selection

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

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Retrieve the name and GPA for students with GPA > 3.9:

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What's not so nice?

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Better

Database Operations: Natural Join

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