

### ***Repeated product(composition) of relation revisited***

Let  $R \subseteq A \times B$  and  $S \subseteq B \times C$ . The **product(composition)** of  $R$  and  $S$ , denoted  $R \circ S \subseteq A \times C$ , is

$$R \circ S = \{(a, c) \in A \times C \mid (a, b) \in R, (b, c) \in S\}$$

### ***Repeated composition of relations***

Let  $R \subseteq A \times A$ . Then we have defined,  $R^n \subseteq A \times A$  ( $n \geq 0$ ).

$$R^0 = id_A, \quad n = 0, \quad R^0 \text{ is an identity relation}$$

$$R^n = R^{n-1} \circ R \quad n \geq 1.$$

We also have defined,  $R^*, R^+ \subseteq A \times A$ .

$$R^* = \bigcup_{i \in N_0} R^i, \quad \text{reflexive transitive closure of } R$$

$$R^+ = \bigcup_{i \in N_+} R^i, \quad \text{transitive closure of } R.$$

## ***Repeated composition of function***

Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$ . The **product (composition)** of  $R$  and  $S$ , denoted  $f \circ g: A \rightarrow C$ , is

$$f \circ g = \{(a, c) \in A \times C \mid (a, b) \in f, (b, c) \in g\}$$

$$\text{or } = \{f \circ g(a) = c \mid f(a) = b, g(b) = c\}$$

$$\text{or } \quad f \circ g(a) = g(f(a))$$

We **extend**  $f^n: A \rightarrow A$  for  $n \geq 0$ .

$$f^0 = id_A, \quad n = 0,$$

$f^0$  is an **identity function**

$$f^n = f^{n-1} \circ f \quad n \geq 1.$$

We also define,  $f^*, f^+: A \rightarrow A$ .

$$f^* = \cup_{i \in N_0} f^i,$$

$$f^+ = \cup_{i \in N_+} f^i.$$

## ***Repeated composition of function with the second domain***

Let  $f: A \times B \rightarrow A$ . We extend  $f \circ f: A \times B^2 \rightarrow A$ .

$$f \circ f = \{((a_0, b_1b_2), a_2) \in ((A \times B^2) \times A) \mid ((a_0, b_1), a_1) \in f, ((a_1, b_2), a_2) \in f\}$$

$$\text{or} = \{f \circ f(a_0, b_1b_2) = a_2 \mid f(a_0, b_1) = a_1, f(a_1, b_2) = a_2\}$$

$$\text{or} \quad f \circ f(a_0, b_1b_2) = f(f(a_0, b_1), b_2)$$

We extend  $f^n: A \times B^n \rightarrow A$  for  $n \geq 0$ . Let  $a \in A$ ,  $\varepsilon \in B^0$ ,  $w \in B^{n-1}$ ,  $b \in B$ .

$$f^0(a, \varepsilon) = a, \quad n = 0, \quad f^0(a, \varepsilon) \text{ is an **identity** function}$$

$$f^n(a, wb) = f^{n-1} \circ f \quad n \geq 1.$$

$$\text{or} = f(f^{n-1}(a, w), b)$$

We also define,  $f^*: A \times B^* \rightarrow A$  and  $f^+: A \times B^+ \rightarrow A$ .

$$f^* = \cup_{i \in N_0} f^i,$$

$$f^+ = \cup_{i \in N_+} f^i.$$

## **Repeated composition of function whose range is a set**

Let  $f: A \times B \rightarrow 2^A$ . We extend

$f': 2^A \times B \rightarrow 2^A$ . Let  $A' \subseteq A$  (or  $A' \in 2^A$ )

$$f'(A', b) = \cup_{a \in A'} f(a, b).$$

We may write  $f$  **instead** of  $f'$ , since  $f \subseteq f'$ , and  
we also may write  $f(a)$  **instead** of  $f(\{a\})$  for short.

$$f: 2^A \times B \rightarrow 2^A.$$

We extend  $f^n: 2^A \times B^n \rightarrow 2^A$  for  $n \geq 0$ . Let  $A' \in 2^A$ ,  $\varepsilon \in B^0$ ,  $w \in B^{n-1}$ ,  $b \in B$ .

$$f^0(A', \varepsilon) = A', \quad n = 0, \quad f^0(A', \varepsilon) \text{ is an identity function}$$

$$f^n(A', wb) = f^{n-1} \circ f \quad n \geq 1.$$

$$\text{or } = f(f^{n-1}(A', w), b)$$

We also define  $f^*: 2^A \times B^* \rightarrow 2^A$ .

$$f^* = \cup_{i \in N_0} f^i.$$

$$f^+: 2^A \times B^+ \rightarrow 2^A.$$

$$f^+ = \cup_{i \in N_+} f^i.$$