

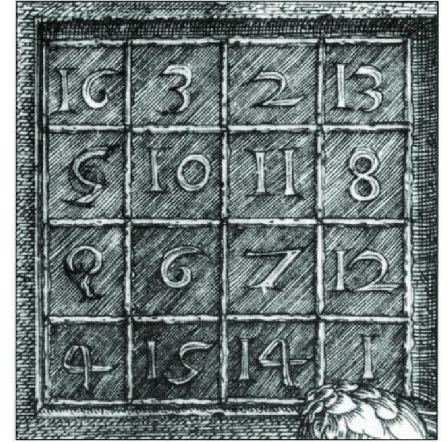
# Logic and Discrete Structures - LDS



Course 5 – Relations. Dictionaries

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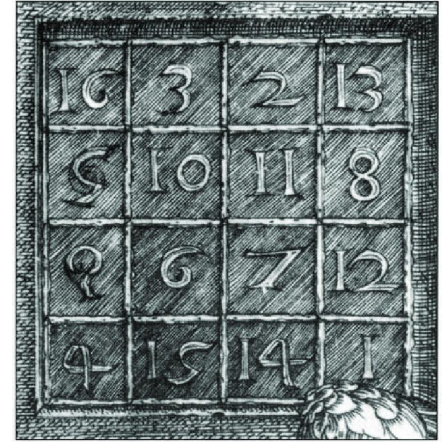
# What have we learned so far?

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# Relation - in the real world and computer

A (mathematical) **relation** models the connection between **two entities** (possibly of different types).

Examples:

Subject-object relations: a man read a book

Human relations: child , parent , friend

Quantitative relations : equal, lesser

# Relation - in the real world and computer

Translated into **computer science**:

Social networks : "friend", "follow", "in circles", etc.

A relation between elements of the same set defines **a graph**

(elements are **nodes**, the relation is represented by **edges**)

⇒ relations are a **key notion** in graph theory

# Relations - sets of pairs

A **binary relation**  $R$  between two sets  $A$  and  $B$  is **the set of pairs**: a subset of the **Cartesian product**

$$A \times B: R \subseteq A \times B$$

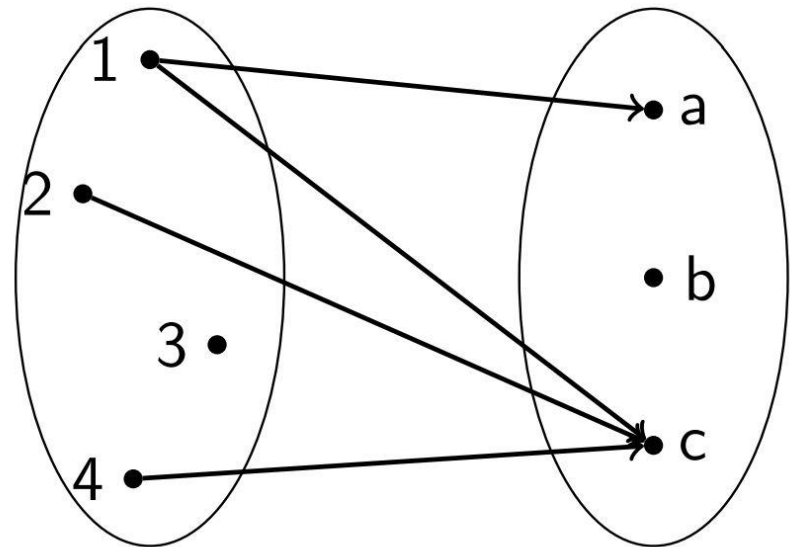
Denoted  $(x, y) \in R$  or  $xRy$  or  $R(x, y)$

when  $x$  is in relation to  $y$

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\},$$

$$B = \{a, b, c\}$$

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



# Relations - sets of pairs

A **relation** is a more general notion than a **function**:

- a function associates to **each**  $x \in A$  a **single**  $y \in B$

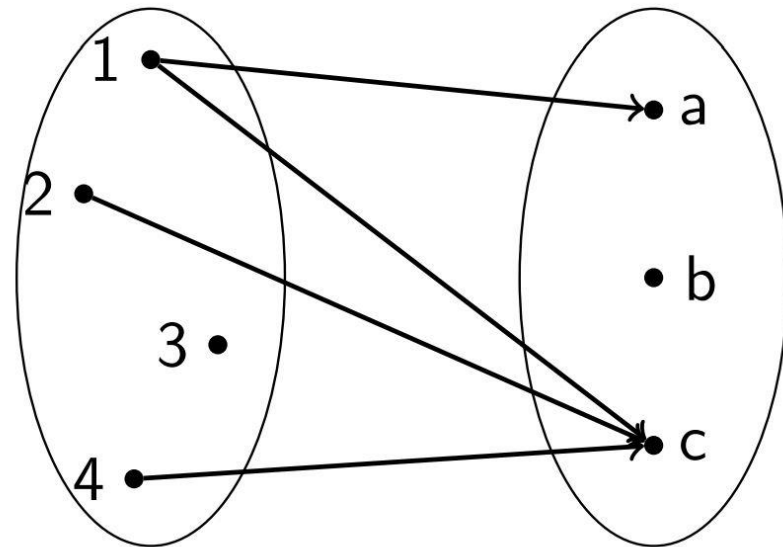
In a relation we can have

(see figure):

1: has several elements  
associated: a, c

2: has only one element  
associated: c

3: has no associated element  
from B



# Relations - general aspects

In general, a relation **is not a symmetric notion**: the Cartesian product/pair are **ordered notions**,

$$(x, y) \neq (y, x)$$

There are, of course, symmetric relations (in the real world and in mathematics)

Generalized, we can have an **n-ary relation** that is a n-tuples set (from the Cartesian product of n sets).

Example:

$$R \subseteq \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$$

$R(x, y, m)$  if  $m$  is a common multiple of  $x$  and  $y$ :

$R(2, 9, 18)$ ,  $R(6, 9, 18)$ ,  $R(2, 9, 36)$ , etc.



# Representation of a relation

We can represent a relationship:

1. Explicitly, by the **set of pairs** (if finite)

$$R \subseteq \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \times \{a, b, c\}$$

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

2. By **a rule** connecting the elements:

$$R = \{(x, x^2 + 1) \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

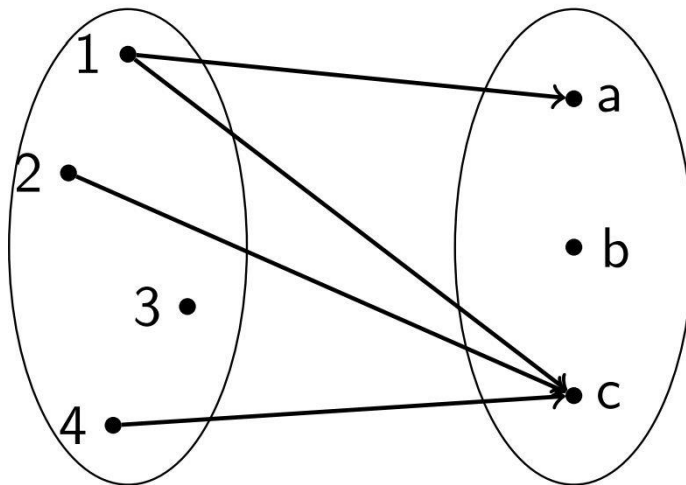
# Representation of a relation

3. As a **Boolean/binary matrix**, if A, B finite,  
rows indexed by A, and columns by B

$$m_{xy} = 1 \text{ if } (x, y) \in R,$$

$$m_{xy} = 0 \text{ if } (x, y) \notin R$$

In practice we can use this type of representation if A and B  
**are not very large.**



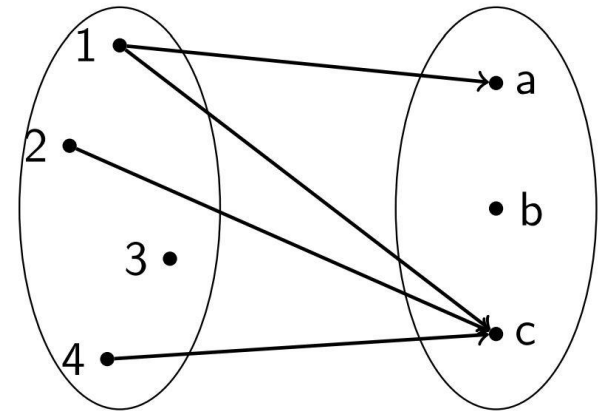
	a	b	c
1	1	0	1
2	0	0	1
3	0	0	0
4	0	0	1

# Relation seen as a function

A **relation**  $R \subseteq A \times B$  can be seen as a **function**  $f_R$  from  $A$  to the set of parts of  $B$

$$f_R(x) = \{y \in B \mid (x, y) \in R\}$$

Associate each  $x$  with the set of the elements of  $B$  to which  $x$  is related (possibly empty):  $f_R(1) = \{a, c\}$ ,  $f_R(3) = \emptyset$



A **vector of bits/booleans** can represent a set :

a	b	c	represents {a, c} (by characteristic function)
1	0	1	

# Number of relations between two sets

Between A and B (finite) there are  $2^{|A| \cdot |B|}$  relations  $R \subseteq A \times B$

It follows directly from the definition: a relation is a subset  $R \subseteq A \times B$ . So,  $R \in P(A \times B)$ .

But  $|P(A \times B)| = 2^{|A \times B|} = 2^{|A| \cdot |B|}$ .

Or, using the representation as a matrix, which has " $|A| \cdot |B|$ " elements. each: chosen independently in 2 ways: 0 or 1, so  $2^{|A| \cdot |B|}$  choices.

# Partial functions

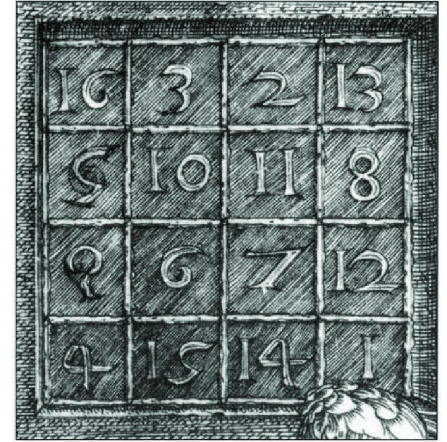
A **partial function**  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is a particular case of relation: associates a single element of B (as the function) but not necessarily every element of A (as the function is bound to)

Partial functions are useful:

- when the exact domain of the function **is not known**(functions that are not necessarily computable at any point).
- when the domain of definition of the function **is very large or unlimited**, but we represent the function explicitly only for the values of interest

Example: population of a locality

- we may not know the population for all localities
- if the argument is a string, not every string is a locality name



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# Binary relations on a set

The following properties are defined for binary relations on a (same) set  $X$ :  $R \subseteq X \times X$

- *reflexive*: for any  $x \in X$  we have  $(x, x) \in R$
- *irreflexive*: for any  $x \in X$  we have  $(x, x) \notin R$
- *symmetric*: for any  $x, y \in X$ , if  $(x, y) \in R$  then also  $(y, x) \in R$
- *antisymmetric*: for any  $x, y \in X$ , if  $(x, y) \in R$  and  $(y, x) \in R$ , then  $x = y$
- *transitive*: for any  $x, y, z \in X$ , if  $(x, y) \in R$  and  $(y, z) \in R$ , then  $(x, z) \in R$

# Properties of binary relations

What properties do the following relations have?

Property	reflexive	symmetric	antisymmetric	transitive
Relation				
$x \equiv y \pmod{n}$	Yes	Yes	NU	Yes
$x \mid y$	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
$x \leq y$	Yes	No	Yes	Yes



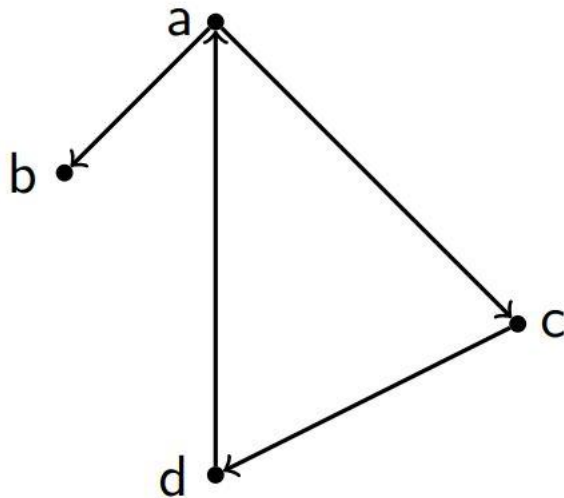
# Binary relations and graphs

A binary relation on a set  $X$  can be represented as **a graph** with  $X$  as a set of nodes:

Directed graph:

**random relation**

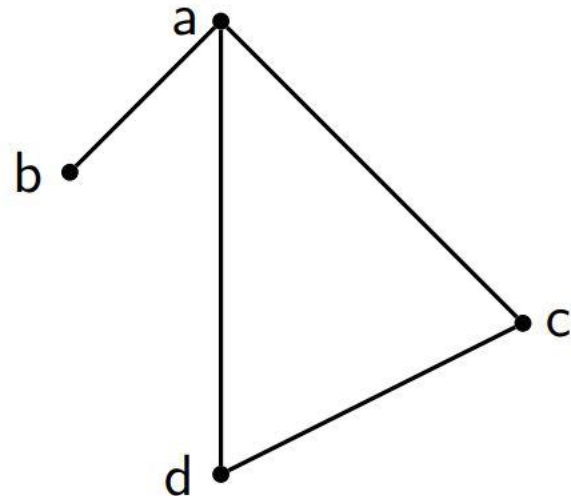
$$R = \{(a,b), (a,c), (c,d), (d,a)\}$$



Undirected graph:

**Symmetric relation**

$$R = \{(a,b), (a,c), (a,d), (b,a), (c,a), (c,d), (d,a), (d,c)\}$$



# Equivalence relations

A relation is an equivalence relation if it is **reflexive, symmetric and transitive**

The relation of **equality** is (obviously) an equivalence relation.

The congruence relation modulo a number (mod  $n$ ):  
 $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  if  $n \mid a - b$  (divide the difference)

**The equivalence class** of  $x$  is the set of elements related to  $x$ :

$\{y \mid (y, x) \in R\}$  denoted  $\hat{x}$  or  $[x]$

# Strict order relations

A relation  $<$  is a **strict order** if it is **irreflexive and transitive**

- there is no  $x$  with  $x < x$
- if  $x < y$  and  $y < z$  then  $x < z$

Examples:

- relations  $<$  and  $>$  between numbers
- - the "descendant" relation between persons

# Total order relations

A relation  $\leq$  is a total order if it is:

- reflexive,
- antisymmetric (if  $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq x$  then  $x = y$ ),
- transitive, and in addition any two elements are comparable, i.e. for any  $x, y$  we have  $x \leq y$  or  $y \leq x$

Examples: relations  $\leq$  and  $\geq$  between numbers (integers, reals, etc.)

# Partial order relations

In practice, relations of order often arise that are not total:

- ranking within groups, but **not between different groups**
- We know the order in which messages arrive, but not the **order in which they are sent**
- in the expression  $f(x) + g(x)$ ,  $f$  and  $g$  are called before addition, but we do not know whether  **$f$  or  $g$  is evaluated first**

A relation is a **partial (non-strict) order** if it is: **reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive**

Examples:

The divisibility relation between integers

Inclusion relation  $\subseteq$  on the set of parts

# Partial order relations

Any *total order* is also a *partial order* (but not reciprocally).

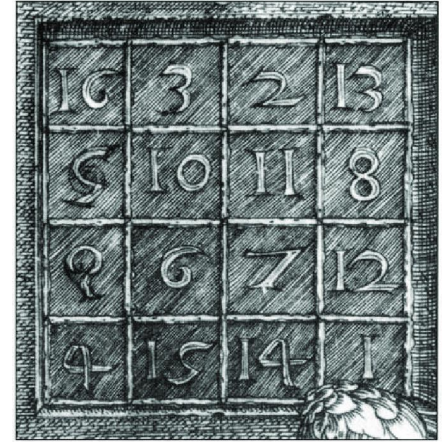
Any *partial order* induces a *strict order*, and reciprocally:

We define:  $a < b$  if  $a \leq b$  and  $a \neq b$

Conversely, we define  $a \leq b$  if  $a < b$  or  $a = b$

# Properties of binary relations

Property	reflexive	symmetric	antisymm.	transitive	
Relation					
$x \equiv y \pmod{n}$	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Equivalence relation
$x \mid y$	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Partial order relations
$x \leq y$	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	



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# The inverse of a relation

*The inverse of a relation  $R \subseteq A \times B$  is the relation*

$$R^{-1} \subseteq B \times A,$$

with  $(y, x) \in R^{-1}$  if and only if  $(x, y) \in R$

$$R^{-1} = \{(y, x) \mid (x, y) \in R\}$$

# Composition of relations

Two relations  $R_1 \subseteq A \times B$  and  $R_2 \subseteq B \times C$ .

*Composition*  $R_2 \circ R_1 \subseteq A \times C$  is the relation

$$R_2 \circ R_1 = \{(x, z) \mid \text{exist } y \in B \mid (x, y) \in R_1 \text{ \u015f} (y, z) \in R_2\}$$

As with functions, we write  $R_2 \circ R_1$  and see that for  $x \in A$  we first find  $y \in B$  and then  $z \in C$ .

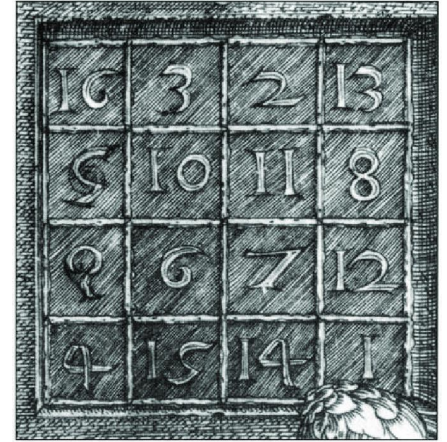
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We can see that  $(R \circ S)^{-1} = S^{-1} \circ R^{-1}$

For an **equivalence relation**  $R$ ,  $R = R^{-1}$

$R$  is **transitive** if and only if  $R \circ R \subseteq R$

For a binary relation  $R \subseteq A \times A$ , denote  **$R^2 = R \circ R$** , etc.



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# Dictionaries in PYTHON

*The dictionary is a collection:*

- *ordered (as of Python version 3.7),*
- *changeable after creation and*
- *does not allow duplicates.*

*Dictionaries are used to store data in **key:value** pairs.*

# Dictionaries in PYTHON

Dictionaries are written between **two curly braces {}** and have **comma-separated key:value pairs** as elements.

```
dict1 = {  
    "name": "Alin", "year": 1,  
    "faculty": "Automatica si Calculatoare"  
}  
print(dict1)
```

```
# {'name': 'Alin', 'year': 1, 'faculty': 'Automatica si  
Calculatoare'}
```

# Dictionaries in PYTHON

**Values** in the key-value pair can be any data type and can be repeated.

**Keys** in the key-value pair can only be data that cannot be changed after their creation (**immutable**) and **cannot be repeated**.

```
dict1 = {}  
dict2 = {1: "one", 2: "two"}  
dict3 = {  
    "name": "Ana",  
    "children": ["Andrei", "Maria"]  
}
```

# Dictionaries in PYTHON

We can also create dictionaries with the constructor `dict()`

```
dict1 = dict()
```

```
dict2 = dict({1: "one", 2: "two"})
```

```
dict3 = dict(((10, "ten"), (100, "one hundred")))
```

```
# {}
```

```
# {1: 'one', 2: 'two'}
```

```
# {10: 'ten', 100: 'one hundred'}
```



# Accessing dictionary elements

If in lists we use indexes to access elements, in dictionaries we use keys. To access an element we use **square brackets []** or the **get()** method.

```
dict1 = {  
    "name": "Alin", "year": 1,  
    "faculty": "Automatica si Calculatoare"  
}  
print(dict1["year"])           # 1  
print(dict1.get("name"))      # Alin
```

# Accessing dictionary elements

To access the elements we can use the methods `keys()`, `values()` and `items()` as follows:

```
dict1 = {"name": "Alin", "year": 1, "faculty": "AC"}
print(dict1.keys())
print(dict1.values())
print(dict1.items())

# dict_keys(['name', 'year', 'faculty'])
# dict_values(['Alin', 1, 'AC'])
# dict_items([('name', 'Alin'), ('year', 1), ('faculty', 'AC')])
```

# Adding elements to the dictionary

Dictionaries can be modified after they have been created: we can **add new elements** or **modify the value** of an existing key.

```
dict1 = {"name": "Alin", "year": 1, "faculty": "AC"}
```

```
dict1["name"] = "Marius"
```

```
dict1["age"] = 20
```

```
print(dict1)
```

```
# {'name': 'Marius', 'year': 1, 'faculty': 'AC', 'age': 20}
```

# Adding elements to the dictionary

We can add new elements or modify existing elements using the `update()` method

```
dict1 = {"name": "Alin", "year": 1, "faculty": "AC"}  
dict1.update({"name": "Marian"})  
dict1.update({"surname": "Popescu", "grade": 10})  
  
print(dict1)  
#{'name': 'Marian', 'year': 1, 'faculty': 'AC',  
'surname': 'Popescu', 'grade': 10}
```

# Deleting elements from the dictionary

To delete elements from the dictionary we can use the methods:

- `pop()` - deletes the element specified as a parameter,
- `popitem()` - delete a random element from the
- `clear()` - clear all items in the dictionary

```
dict1 = {"name": "Alin", "age": 20, "year": 1, "faculty": "AC"}
dict1.pop("faculty")
print(dict1)           # {'name': 'Alin', 'age': 20, 'year': 1}
dict1.popitem()
print(dict1)           # {'name': 'Alin', 'age': 20}
dict1.clear()
print(dict1)           # {}
```

# Deleting elements from the dictionary

We can delete individual elements or the entire dictionary with `del`

```
dict1 = {"name": "Alin", "age": 20, "year": 1, "faculty": "AC"}
```

```
del dict1['name']
```

```
print(dict1) # {'age': 20, 'year': 1, 'faculty': 'AC'}
```

```
del dict1
```

```
print(dict1) # NameError: name 'dict1' is not defined.
```

# Checking the existence of an element

To check if a key exists in the dictionary we use `in`. We cannot search by value but only by key.

```
double = {1: 2, 2: 4, 3: 6, 4: 8, 5: 10}
```

```
x = 2
```

```
if(x in double):
```

```
    print(" the key is in the dictionary")
```

```
else:
```

```
    print(" the key is not in the dictionary")
```

# Nested dictionary

We can have a dictionary as an element of another dictionary ([nested dictionary](#))

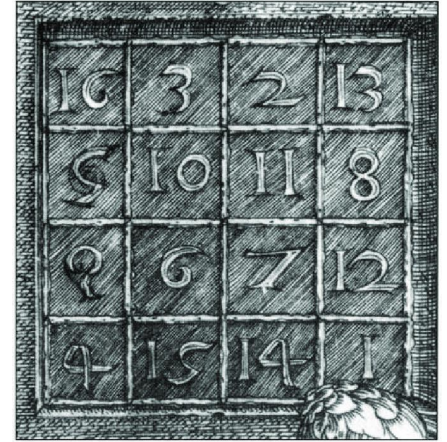
```
dict1 = {  
    "dict2": {1: 1, 2: 4, 3: 9},  
    "dict3": {1: "one", 2: "two"}  
}
```

```
print(dict1["dict2"][3])  
print(dict1["dict3"][2])
```

```
# 9
```

```
# two
```





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# Relations using dictionaries

We have seen that a **relation**  $R \subseteq A \times B$  can be seen as a **function**  $f_R$  from  $A$  to the set of parts of  $B$

$$f_R(x) = \{y \in B \mid (x, y) \in R\}$$

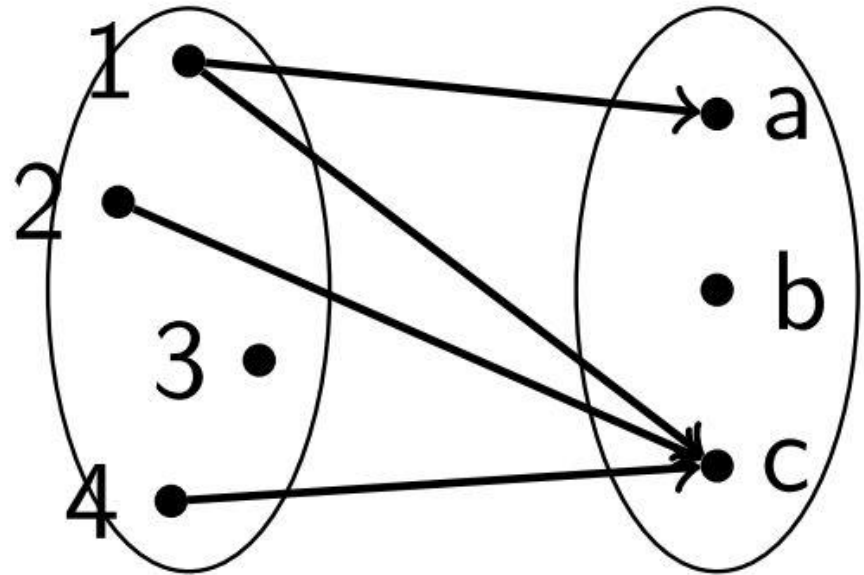
Associate each  $x$  with the set of elements of  $B$  to which  $x$  is related (possibly empty):

$$f_R(1) = \{a, c\}, f_R(3) = \emptyset$$

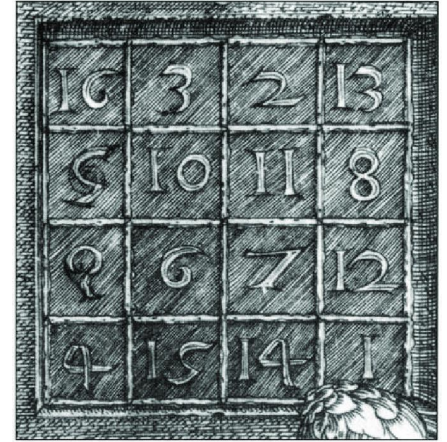
The **dictionary** will then be from  $A$  to subsets of elements in  $B$ .

# Relations using dictionaries

```
relation = {  
    1: {"a", "c"},  
    2: {"c"},  
    3: set(),  
    4: {"c"}  
}
```



```
#{1: {'a', 'c'}, 2: {'c'}, 3: set(), 4: {'c'}}
```



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1. Write a function that takes an association list with pairs of type `(string, integer)` and creates a dictionary where each string is associated with the sum of all values it is associated with in the list.

Exemple:

Input: `[("Ana",7), ("Alin",3), ("Ana",9)]`

Output: `{'Ana': 16, 'Alin': 3}`

# Exercises with dictionaries

```
def transform(lista, dictionar = {}):  
    if (lista == []):  
        return dictionar  
    if(lista[0][0] in dictionar):  
        dictionar[lista[0][0]] = lista[0][1] + dictionar[lista[0][0]]  
    else:  
        dictionar[lista[0][0]] = lista[0][1]  
    return transform(lista[1:],dictionar)
```

```
l = [("Ana",7), ("Alin",3), ("Ana",9)]
```

```
print(transform(l))
```

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2. Dictionary traversal using the reduce() function:

```
elev_nota = {  
    'Alex': 10,  
    'Mihai': 9,  
    'Ioana': 10  
}
```

```
print(elev_nota.items())  
# dict_items([('Alex', 10), ('Mihai', 9), ('Ioana', 10)])
```

# Exercises with dictionaries

Dictionary traversal using the reduce() function:

```
def functie_suma(suma, elev):
```

```
    nume, nota = elev
```

```
    return suma + nota
```

```
def medie_elevi(dictionar):
```

```
    suma_note = functools.reduce(functie_suma,  
dictionar.items(), 0)
```

```
    return suma_note / len(dictionar)
```

```
print(medie_elevi(elev_nota))
```



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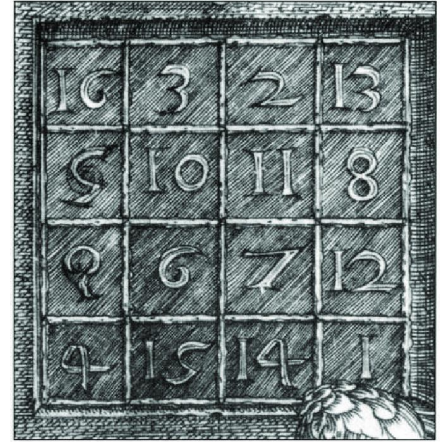
## 3. Recursive dictionary traversal.

For recursive dictionary traversal, we convert the dictionary received as a parameter to 'dict\_items', then convert 'dict\_items' to a list that we will recursively traverse.

```
elev_nota = {  
    'Alex': 10,  
    'Mihai': 9,  
    'Ioana': 10  
}
```

# Exercises with dictionaries

```
def suma_rekursiva(dict_list):  
    if len(dict_list) > 0:  
        nume, nota = dict_list[0]  
        return nota + suma_rekursiva(dict_list[1:])  
    else:  
        return 0  
  
def medie_elevi_rekursiva(dictionar):  
    suma_note = suma_rekursiva(list(dictionar.items()))  
    return suma_note/len(dictionar)  
  
print(medie_elevi_rekursiva(elev_nota))
```



Thank you!

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