

Topic 2: Complexity of Query Evaluation

Unit 3: Provenance

Lecture 17

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Pre-class conversations

- Last class summary
- Project ideas and feedback
- Faculty candidate

- Today:
 - provenance, semirings
- Next class:
 - semirings, more abstract

Outline: T2-3/4: Provenance & Reverse Data Management

- T2-3: Provenance
 - Data Provenance
 - The Semiring Framework for Provenance
 - Algebra: Monoids and Semirings
 - Query-rewrite-insensitive provenance
- T2-4: Reverse Data Management
 - View Deletion Problem
 - Resilience & Causality

Mainly slides by
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Do it once and use it repeatedly: provenance

Label (annotate) input items abstractly with **provenance tokens**.

Provenance tracking: propagate **expressions** (involving tokens)
(to annotate intermediate data and, finally, outputs)

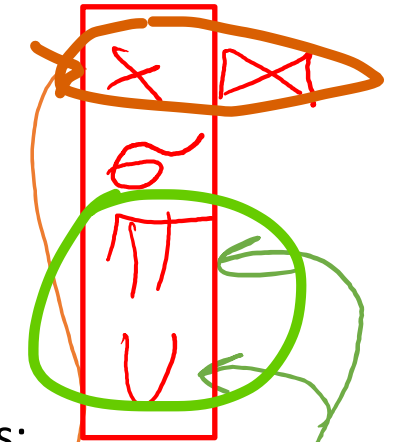
REASONING

Track two distinct ways of using data items by computation primitives:

- **jointly** (this alone is basically like keeping a log)
- **alternatively** (doing both is essential; think trust)

Input-output compositional; Modular (in the primitives)

Later, we want to **evaluate** the provenance expressions to obtain
binary trust, access control,
confidence scores, data prices, etc.



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Algebraic interpretation for RDB

Set X of provenance tokens.

Space of annotations, provenance expressions $\text{Prov}(X)$

$$X = \{x, y, z\}$$

$$\text{Prov}(X) \supset \{x \cdot y \cdot y + z, z y, \dots\}$$

$\text{Prov}(X)$ -relations:

every tuple is annotated with some element from $\text{Prov}(X)$.

Binary operations on $\text{Prov}(X)$:

- corresponds to joint use (join, cartesian product),
- + corresponds to alternative use (union and projection).

Special annotations:

“Absent” tuples are annotated with 0 .

1 is a “neutral” annotation (data we do not track).



K -Relational algebra

Algebraic laws of $(\text{Prov}(X), +, \cdot, 0, 1)$? More generally, for annotations from a structure $(K, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$?

K -relations. Generalize RA+ to (positive) K -relational algebra.

Desired optimization equivalences of K -relational algebra iff $(K, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ is a **commutative semiring**.

Generalizes SPJU or UCQ or non-rec. Datalog

set semantics $(\mathbb{B}, \vee, \wedge, \perp, \top)$

bag semantics $(\mathbb{N}, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$

c-table-semantics [IL84] $(\text{BoolExp}(X), \vee, \wedge, \perp, \top)$

event table semantics [FR97,Z97] $(\mathcal{P}(\Omega), \cup, \cap, \emptyset, \Omega)$

$$\{x, y\} \quad \{x + y, \Rightarrow y, \Rightarrow y - y + x, \dots\}$$

What is a commutative semiring?

An algebraic structure $(K, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ where:

- K is the domain
- $+$ is associative, commutative, with 0 identity
- \cdot is associative, with 1 identity
- \cdot distributes over $+$
- $a \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot a = 0$
- \cdot is also **commutative**

} semiring

Unlike ring, no requirement for inverses to $+$

Provenance polynomials

$$\mathbb{N}[\{x, y\}] = \{xy, x + y, 2xy^2 + x, 2xy^2 + xy + x, \dots\}$$

$(\mathbb{N}[X], +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ is the commutative semiring **freely generated** by X
(universality property involving homomorphisms)

Provenance polynomials are **PTIME**-computable (**data complexity**).
(query complexity depends on language and representation)

ORCHESTRA provenance (graph representation) about **30%** overhead

Monomials correspond to **logical derivations** (proof trees in non-rec. Datalog)

Provenance reading of polynomials:

output tuple has provenance

$$2r^2 + rs$$

three derivations of the tuple

- two of them use r , twice,

- the third uses r and s , once each

Two kinds of semirings in this framework

Provenance semirings, e.g.,

$(\mathbb{N}[X], +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ provenance polynomials [GKT07]

$(\text{Why}(X), \cup, \sqcup, \emptyset, \{\emptyset\})$ witness why-provenance [BKT01]

Application semirings, e.g.,

$(\mathbb{A}, \min, \max, 0, \text{Pub})$ access control [FGT08]

$\mathbb{V} = ([0,1], \max, \cdot, 0, 1)$ Viterbi semiring (MPE) [GKIT07]

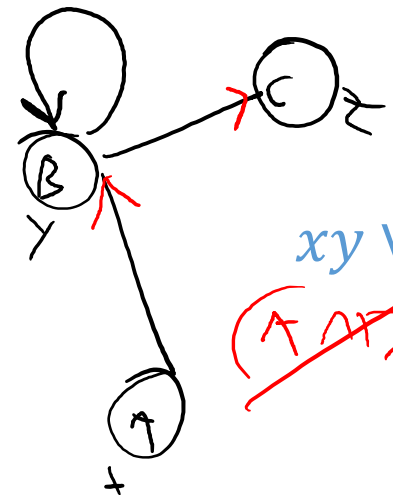
Provenance specialization relies on

- Provenance semirings are freely generated by provenance tokens
- Query commutation with semiring homomorphisms

Some application semirings

- Example 1: $(\mathbb{B}, \wedge, \vee, \top, \perp)$ *binary trust*
- Example 5: $(\mathbb{N}, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ *multiplicity (number of derivations)*
- Example 2: $(\mathbb{A}, \min, \max, 0, \text{Pub})$ *access control*
- Example 4: $\mathbb{V} = ([0,1], \max, \cdot, 0, 1)$ Viterbi semiring (MPE) *confidence scores*
- Example 3: $\mathbb{T} = ([0, \infty], \min, +, \infty, 0)$
tropical semiring (shortest paths) *data pricing*
- $\mathbb{F} = ([0,1], \max, \min, 0, 1)$ “fuzzy logic” semiring

A Hierarchy of Provenance Semirings [G09, DMRT14]



$$xy \vee y^2 \vee yz$$

$$\cancel{(A \wedge B)} \vee \cancel{(B \wedge B)} \vee \cancel{(B \wedge C)}$$

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Example: $2x^2y + xy + 5y^2 + xz$

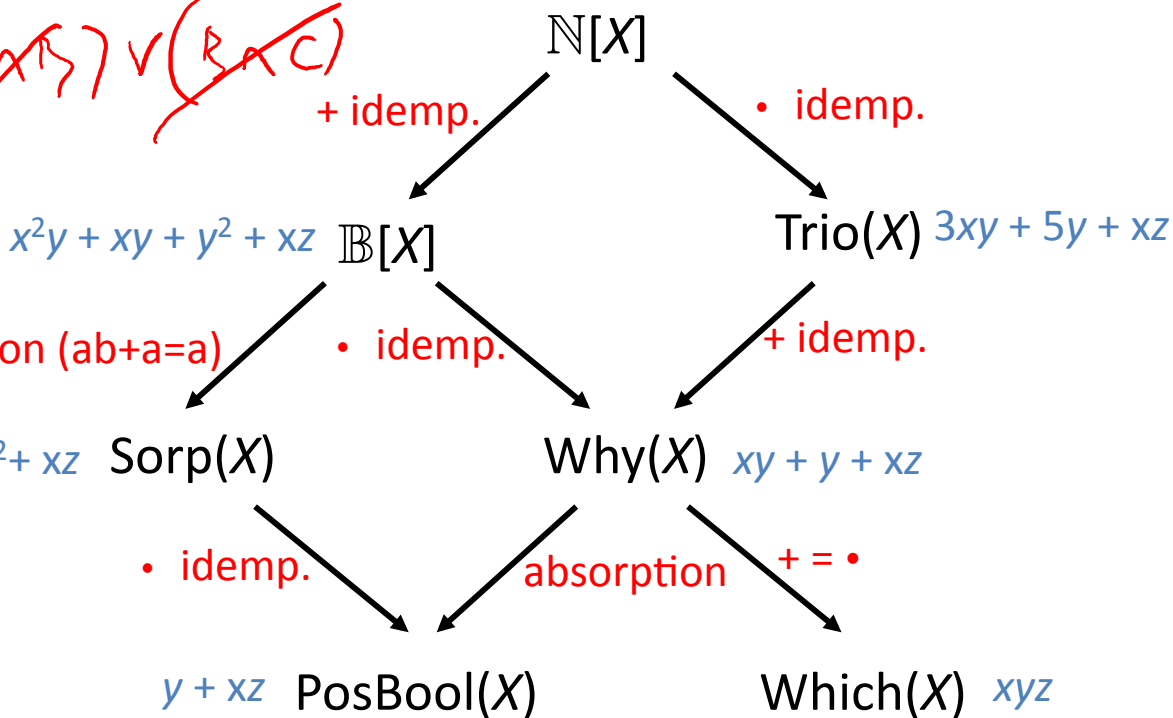
$$(A \wedge B) \vee (B)$$

$$\varphi \Rightarrow \psi$$

most informative

$$\varphi \vee \psi = \psi$$

least informative



N		X
A		x
B		x
C		x

E		
A	B	
B	B	
B	B	

$$Q := N(X),$$

$$E(x, y),$$

$$N(y)$$

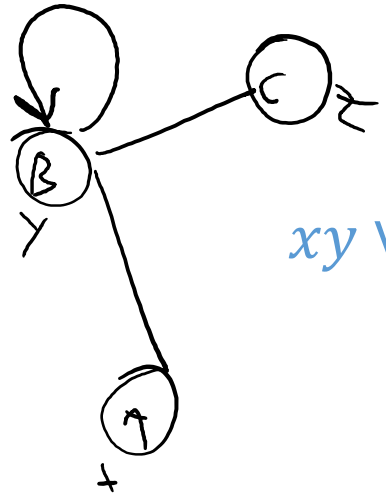
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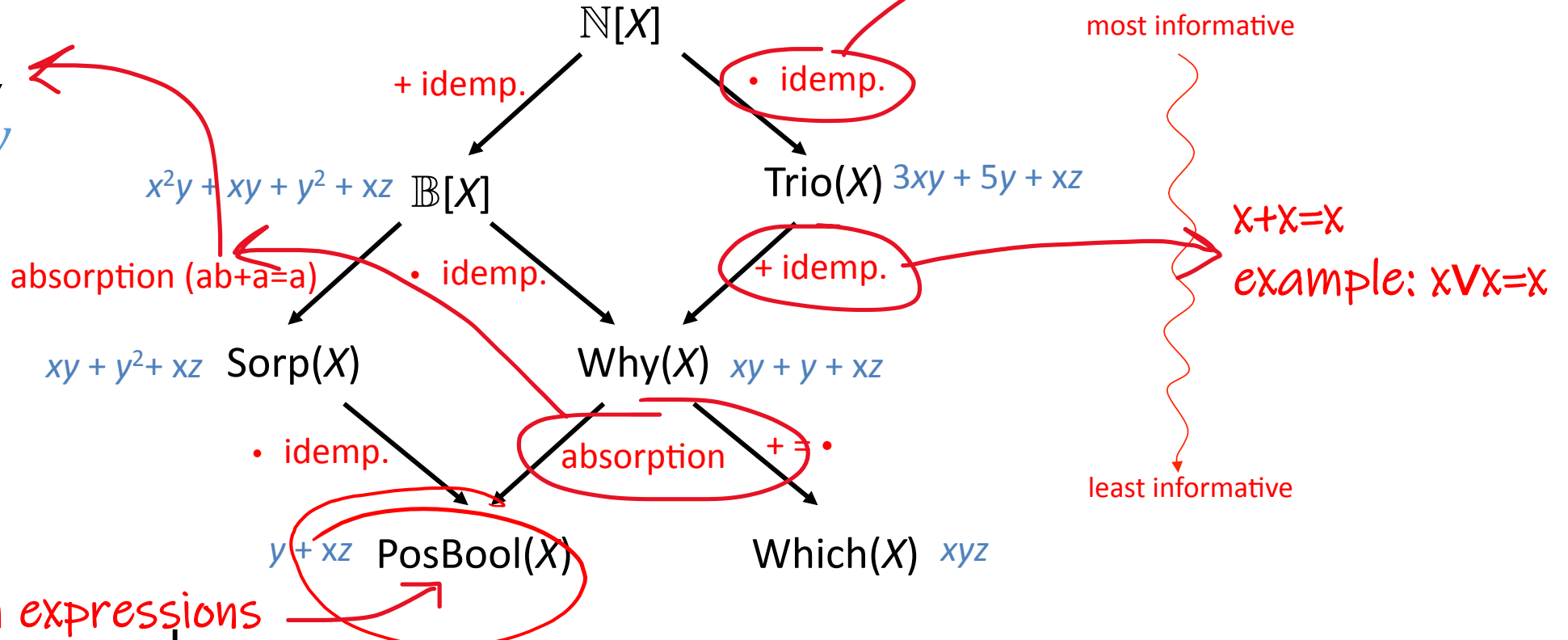
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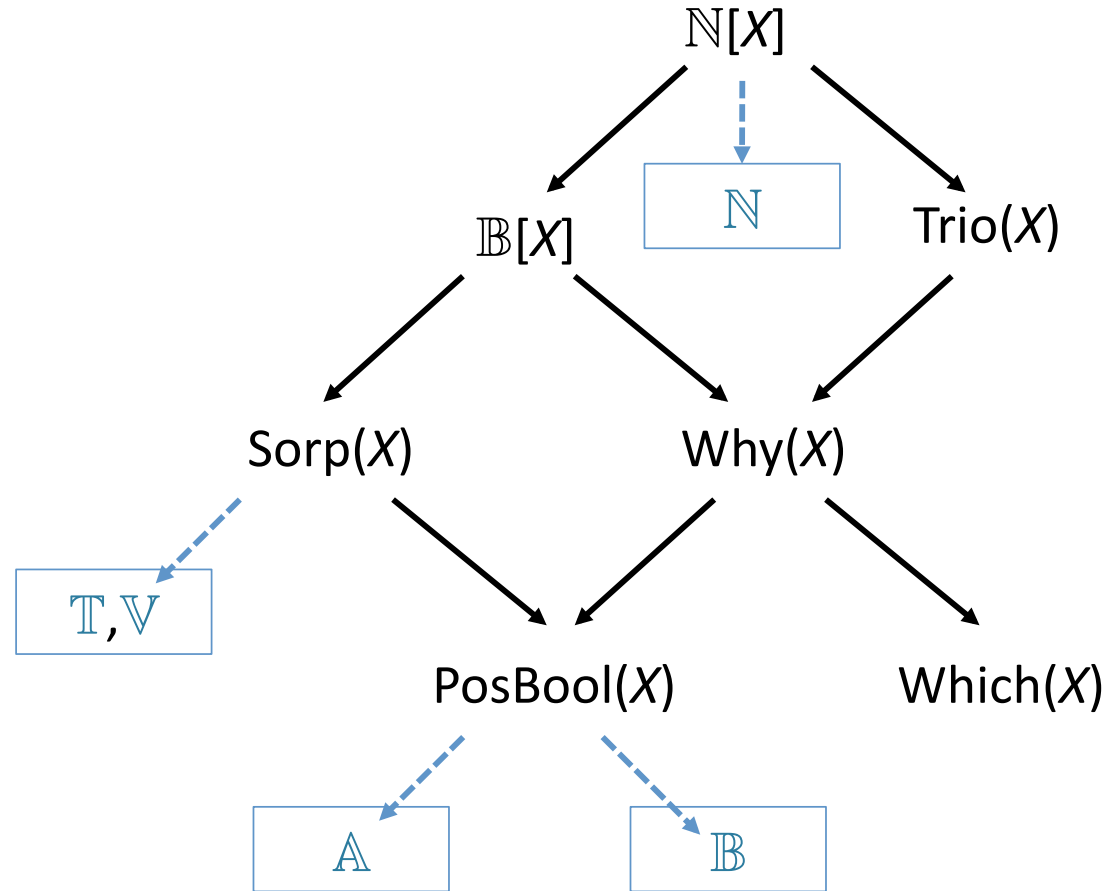
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Positive Boolean expressions

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A menagerie of provenance semirings

$(\text{Which}(X), \cup, \cup^*, \emptyset, \emptyset^*)$ sets of contributing tuples “Lineage” (1) [cww00]

$(\text{Why}(X), \cup, \uplus, \emptyset, \{\emptyset\})$ sets of sets of ... Witness why-provenance [BKT01]

$(\text{PosBool}(X), \wedge, \vee, \top, \perp)$ minimal sets of sets of... Minimal witness why-provenance [BKT01] also “Lineage” (2) used in probabilistic dbs [SORK11]

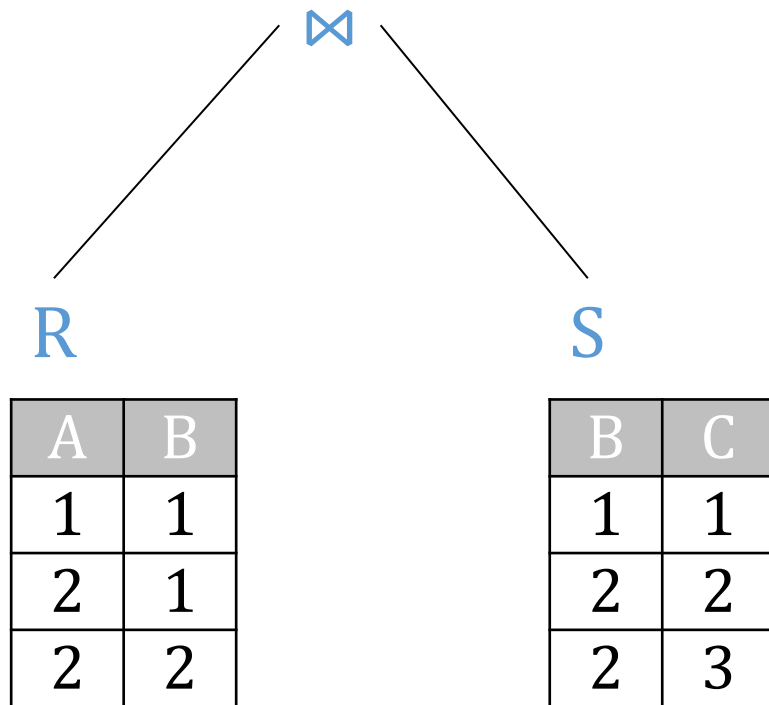
$(\text{Trio}(X), +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ bags of sets of ... “Lineage” (3) [BDHT08,G09]

$(\mathbb{B}[X], +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ sets of bags of ... Boolean coeff. polynomials [G09]

$(\text{Sorp}(X), +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ minimal sets of bags of ... absorptive polynomials [DMRT14]

$(\mathbb{N}[X], +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ bags of bags of... universal provenance polynomials [GKT07]

Positive relational algebra: Join \bowtie

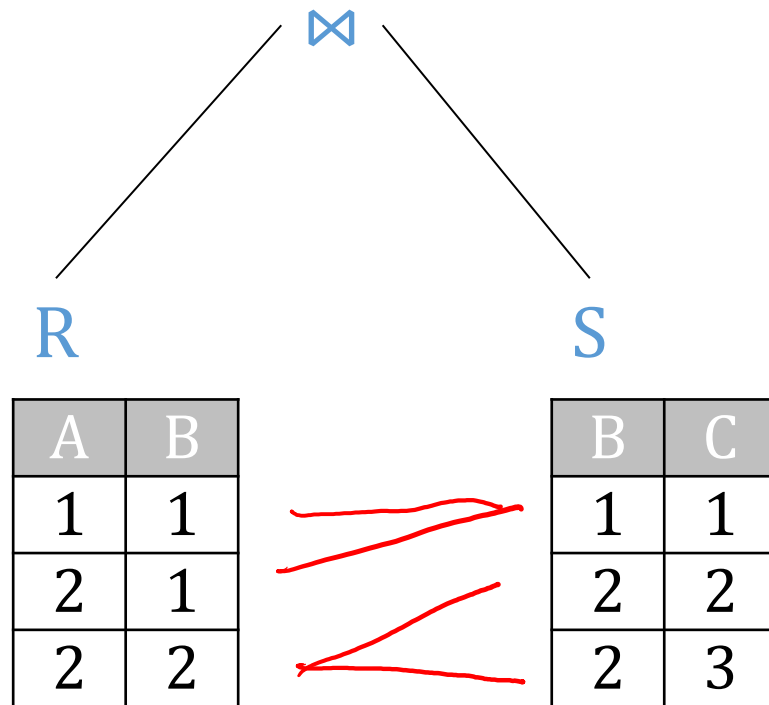


$$Q = R \bowtie S$$

A	B	C
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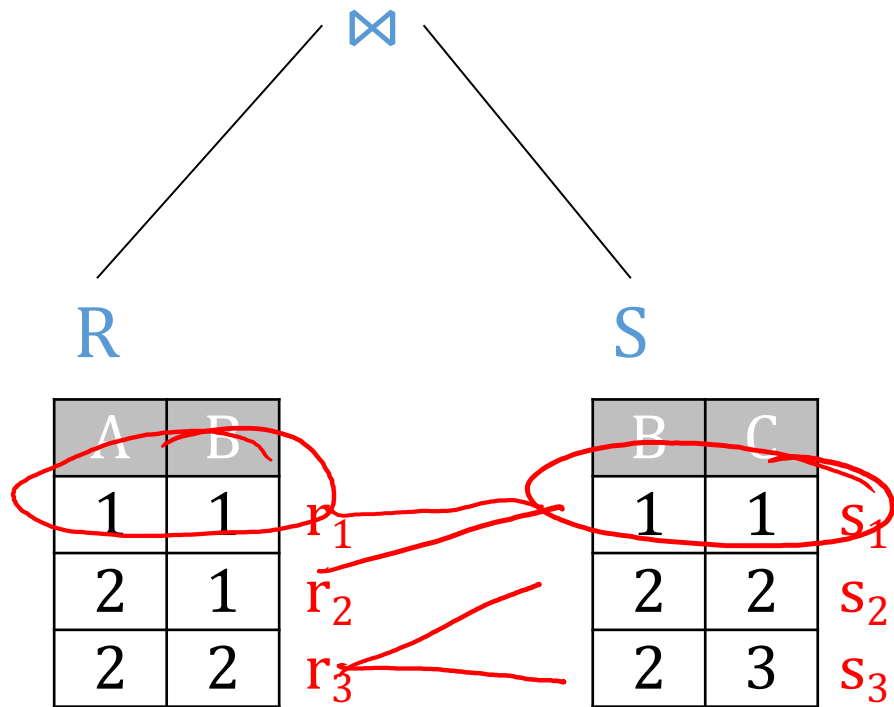
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2	2	2
2	2	3

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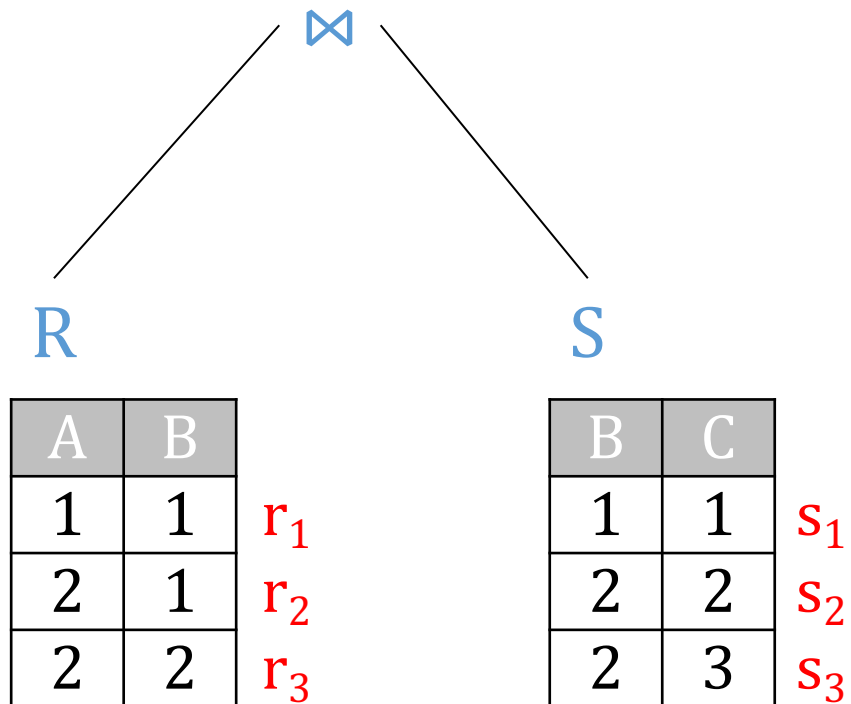


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Positive relational algebra: Join \bowtie



The annotation " $r \cdot s$ " means joint use of data annotated by r and data annotated by s

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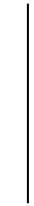
A	B	C
1	1	1
2	1	1
2	2	2
2	2	3

Annotations for Q: $r_1 \cdot s_1$, $r_2 \cdot s_1$, $r_3 \cdot s_2$, $r_3 \cdot s_3$

Positive relational algebra: Projection π



π_{-B}



R

A	B	
1	1	r_1
1	2	r_2
2	1	r_3
2	2	r_4
2	3	r_5

$$Q = \pi_{-B}R = \pi_A R$$

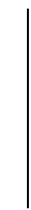
A

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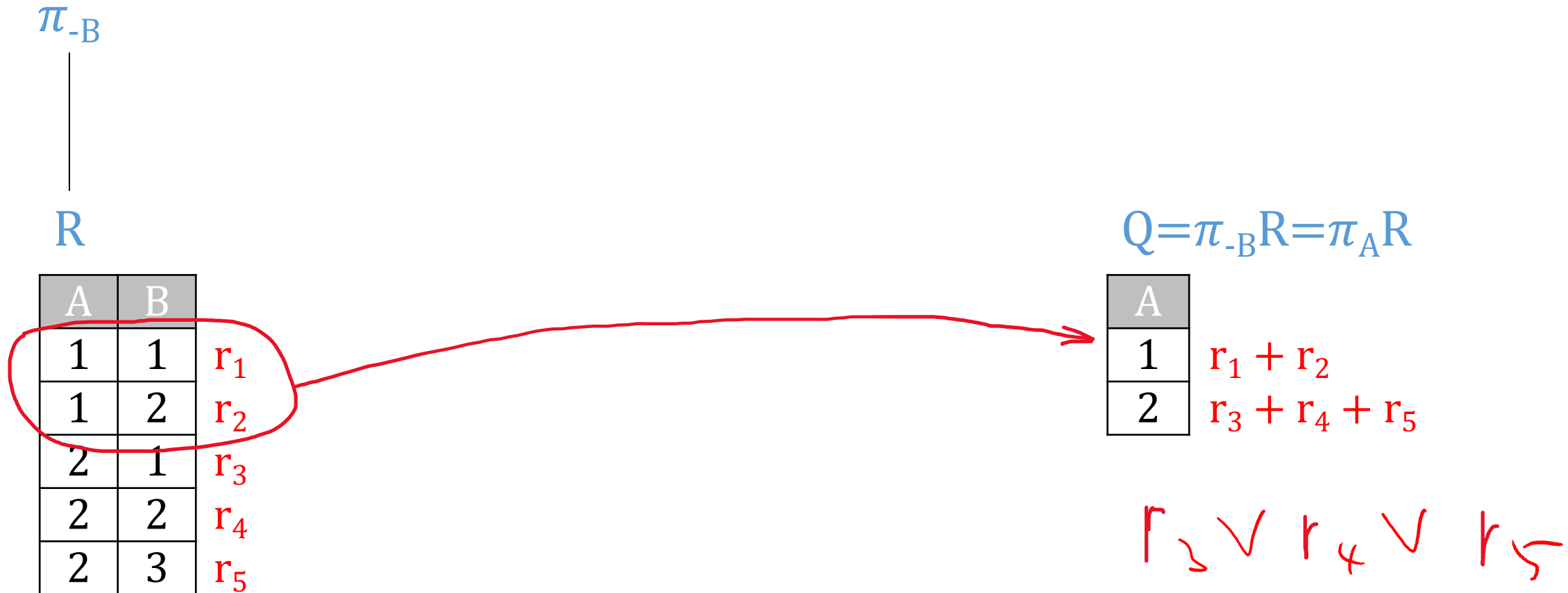
A
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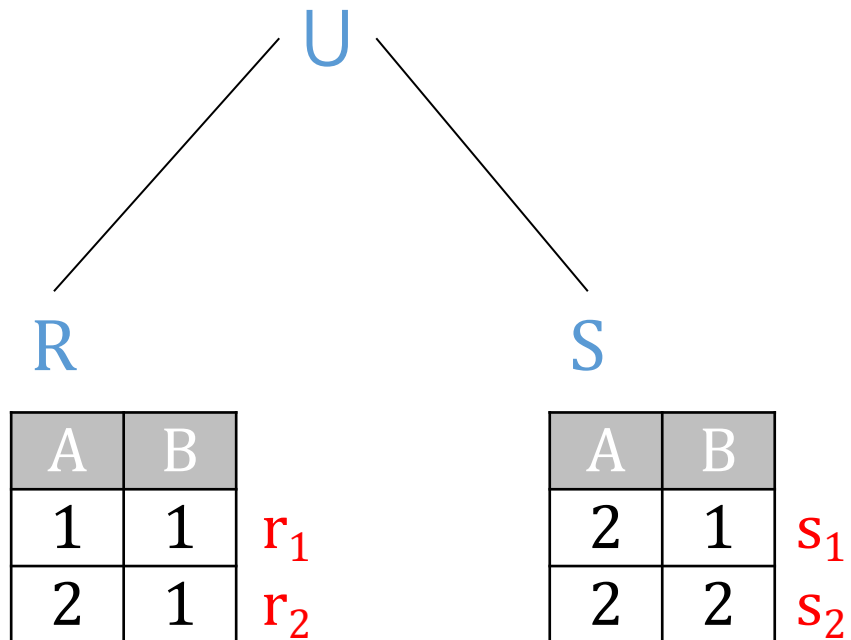
Positive relational algebra: Projection π



The annotation " $r + s$ " means alternative use of data



Positive relational algebra: Union U



$Q = R \cup S$

A	B
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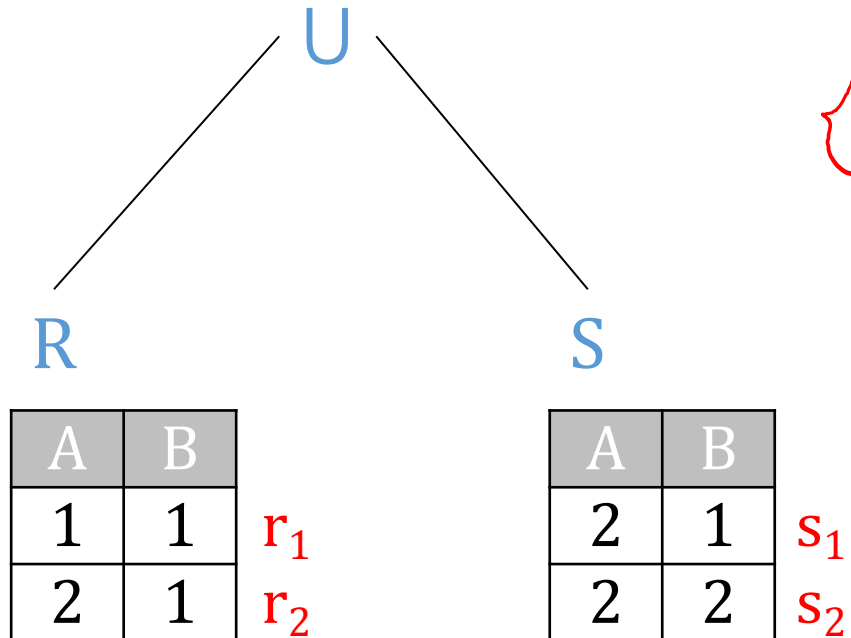
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Positive relational algebra: Union U



The annotation "r + s" means alternative use of data

$$\{(2, 1), (2, 1)\} = (2, 1) \mapsto 2$$



Q=RUS

A	B
1	1
2	1
2	2

r_1
 $r_2 + s_1$
 s_2

$$R \cup S = \pi_{AB} (R \cup_{BAG} S)$$

Positive relational algebra: Selection σ



$\sigma_{A=1}$



R

A	B	
1	1	r_1
1	2	r_2
2	1	r_3
2	2	r_4
2	3	r_5

$Q = \sigma_{A=1} R$

A	B
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Positive relational algebra: Selection σ



Two options for filtering:
1. Remove the tuples filtered out.

$\sigma_{A=1}$



R

A	B	
1	1	r_1
1	2	r_2
2	1	r_3
2	2	r_4
2	3	r_5

$Q = \sigma_{A=1}R$

A	B	
1	1	r_1
1	2	r_2

Positive relational algebra: Selection σ



- Two options for filtering:
1. Remove the tuples filtered out.
 2. Or keep them around ...

$\sigma_{A=1}$

R

A	B	
1	1	r_1
1	2	r_2
2	1	r_3
2	2	r_4
2	3	r_5

$Q = \sigma_{A=1} R$

A	B	
1	1	$r_1 \cdot 1$
1	2	$r_2 \cdot 1$
2	1	$r_3 \cdot 0$
2	2	$r_4 \cdot 0$
2	3	$r_5 \cdot 0$

Boolean Query Provenance



$Q :- R(x,y), S(y,z)$

Calculate the provenance, operator-by-operator, with two algebraically equivalent query plans:

R

A	B
1	1
2	2
3	2

r_1
 r_2
 r_3

S

B	C
1	1
1	2
2	3

s_1
 s_2
 s_3

Query plan 1: $\pi_{-A,B,C}(R \bowtie S)$

Query plan 2: $\pi_{-B}(\pi_{-A}(R) \bowtie \pi_{-C}(S))$

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$R \bowtie S$

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$\pi_{-A,B,C}(\dots)$

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2	2
3	2

r_1
 r_2
 r_3

S

B	C
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1	2
2	3

s_1
 s_2
 s_3



Query plan 1: $\pi_{-A,B,C}(R \bowtie S)$

$R \bowtie S$

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1	1	2
2	2	3
3	2	3

$r_1 \cdot s_1$
 $r_1 \cdot s_2$
 $r_2 \cdot s_3$
 $r_3 \cdot s_3$

$\pi_{-A,B,C}(\dots)$



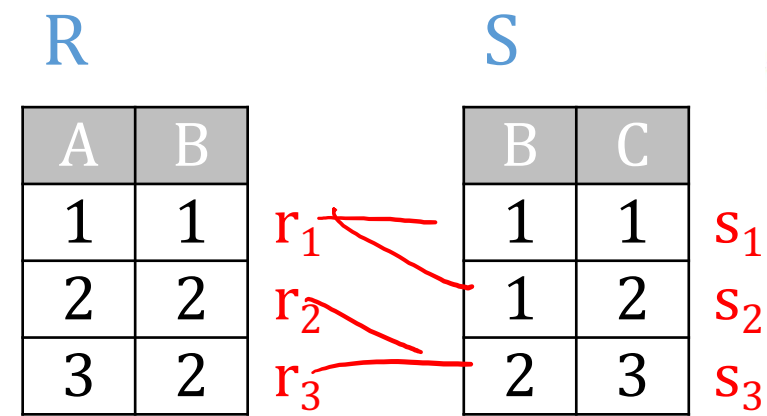
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$R \bowtie S$	A	B	C	
	1	1	1	$r_1 \cdot s_1$
	1	1	2	$r_1 \cdot s_2$
	2	2	3	$r_2 \cdot s_3$
	3	2	3	$r_3 \cdot s_3$

$\pi_{-A,B,C}(\dots)$

$r_1 \cdot s_1 + r_1 \cdot s_2 + r_2 \cdot s_3 + r_3 \cdot s_3$

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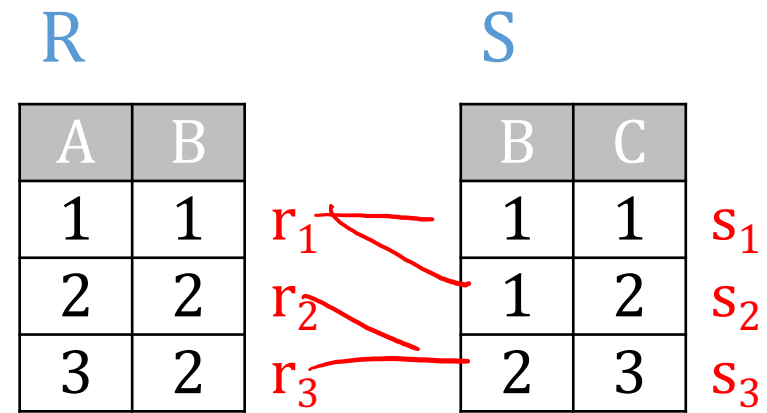
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	3	2	3	$r_3 \cdot s_3$

$\pi_{-A,B,C}(\dots)$

$r_1 \cdot s_1 + r_1 \cdot s_2 + r_2 \cdot s_3 + r_3 \cdot s_3$

Query plan 2: $\pi_{-B}(\pi_{-A}(R) \bowtie \pi_{-C}(S))$

$\pi_{-A}(R)$

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$\pi_{-C}(S)$

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$\pi_{-B}(R' \bowtie S')$

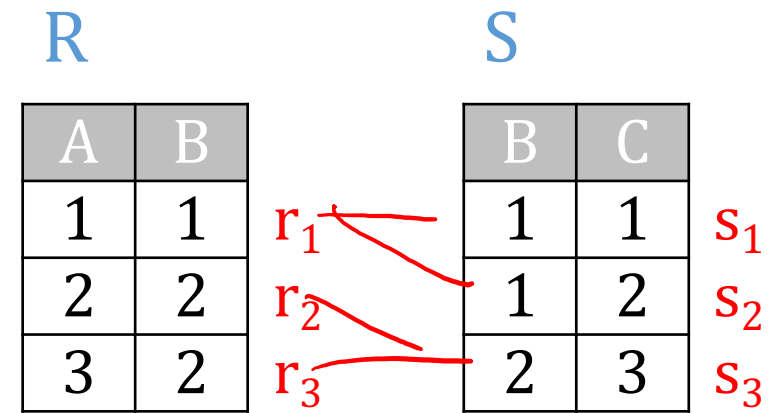
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$R \bowtie S$	A	B	C	Provenance
	1	1	1	$r_1 \cdot s_1$
	1	1	2	$r_1 \cdot s_2$
	2	2	3	$r_2 \cdot s_3$
	3	2	3	$r_3 \cdot s_3$

$\pi_{-A,B,C}(\dots)$

$$r_1 \cdot s_1 + r_1 \cdot s_2 + r_2 \cdot s_3 + r_3 \cdot s_3$$

Query plan 2: $\pi_{-B}(\pi_{-A}(R) \bowtie \pi_{-C}(S))$

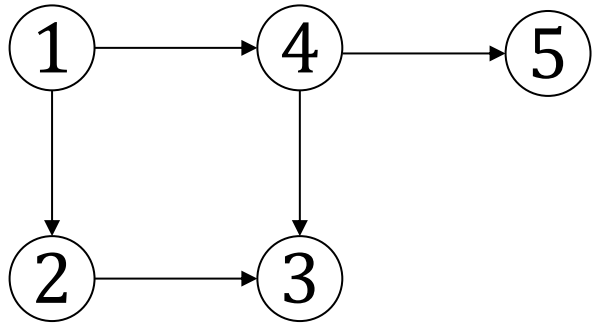
$\pi_{-A}(R)$	B	Provenance
	1	r_1
	2	$r_2 + r_3$

$\pi_{-C}(S)$	B	Provenance
	1	$s_1 + s_2$
	2	s_3

$\pi_{-B}(R' \bowtie S')$

$$r_1 \cdot (s_1 + s_2) + (r_2 + r_3) \cdot s_3$$

Back to our Example: now with Semiring notation

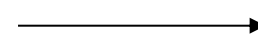


Now assume we use semiring notation.
Idea: keep the tuple identifiers abstract.
Use provenance polynomials $(\mathbb{N}[X], +, \cdot, 0, 1)$

E

1	2
2	3
1	4
4	3
4	5

$Q(z) :- E(1,y), E(y,z)$

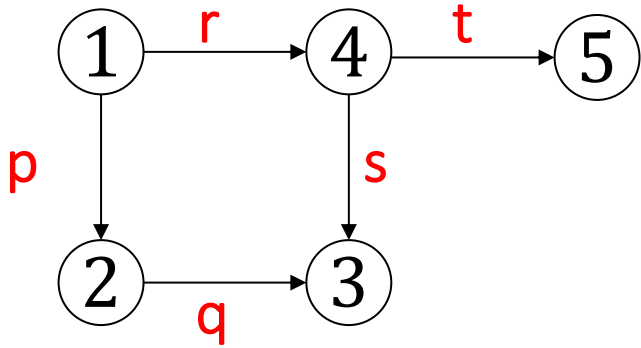


Q

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Q: Points reachable in 2 hops, starting at node "1"

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E

1	2	p
2	3	q
1	4	r
4	3	s
4	5	t

$$Q(z) :- E(1,y), E(y,z)$$

Q: Points reachable in 2 hops, starting at node "1"

Q

3	$r \cdot s + p \cdot q$
5	$r \cdot t$

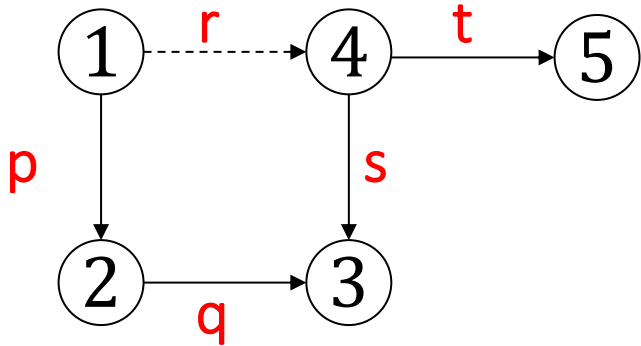
$e \in \mathbb{N}(X)$

$\mathbb{N}[X] = (\mathbb{N}[X], +, \cdot, 0, 1)$: Provenance polynomials

$$X = \{p, q, \dots, t\}$$

Example variant 1

Provenance polynomials ($\mathbb{N}[X], +, \cdot, 0, 1$)



Now assume only certain edges are available (available yes/no or true/false). Which of the points remain reachable?

E

1	2	$p = 1$
2	3	$q = 1$
1	4	$r = 0$
4	3	$s = 1$
4	5	$t = 1$

$$Q(z) :- E(1,y), E(y,z)$$

Q: Points reachable in 2 hops, starting at node "1"

$\{0, 1\}$

$\mathbb{B} = (\mathbb{B}, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$: Boolean algebra

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$$(0 \wedge 1) \vee (1 \wedge 1) = 1$$

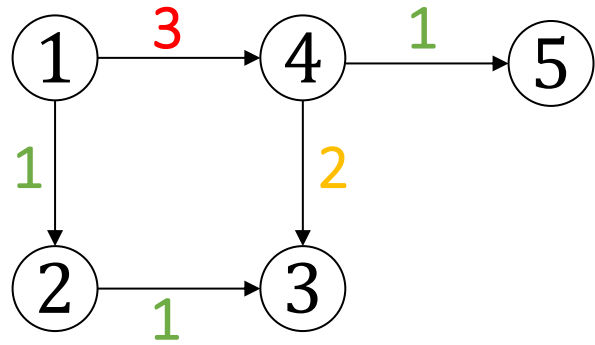
$$r \cdot s + p \cdot q = 1$$

$$r \cdot t = 0$$

$$(0 \wedge 1) = 0$$

Example variant 2

Provenance polynomials ($\mathbb{N}[X], +, \cdot, 0, 1$)



Now assume passing along an edge needs a certain security clearance ($1 < 2 < 3$).
 What clearance do you need for reaching each point?

E

1	2	$p = 1$
2	3	$q = 1$
1	4	$r = 3$
4	3	$s = 2$
4	5	$t = 1$

$$Q(z) :- E(1,y), E(y,z)$$

Q: Points reachable in 2 hops, starting at node "1"

$$(\{1, 2, 3, \infty\}, \min, \max, \infty, 1)$$

inf-x ~> prefix

$$\min[\max[3, 2], \max[1, 1]] = 1$$

Q

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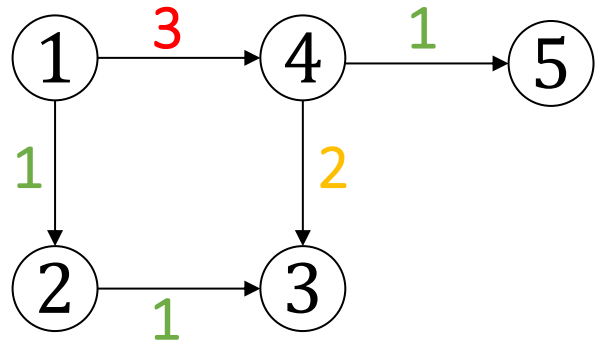
$$r \cdot s + p \cdot q = 1$$

$$r \cdot t = 3$$

$$\max[3, 1] = 3$$

Example variant 3

Provenance polynomials $(\mathbb{N}[X], +, \cdot, 0, 1)$



Now assume each edge has a weight.
What is the shortest path to reach each point?

E

1	2	$p = 1$
2	3	$q = 1$
1	4	$r = 3$
4	3	$s = 2$
4	5	$t = 1$

$$Q(z) :- E(1,y), E(y,z)$$

Q: Points reachable in 2 hops, starting at node "1"

Q

3	$r \cdot s + p \cdot q = 2$
5	$r \cdot t = 4$

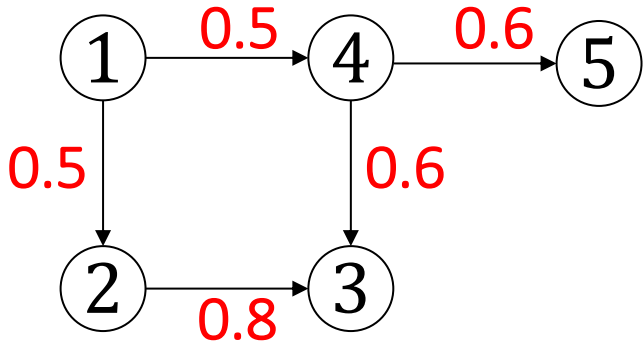
$3 + 1 = 4$

$$\min[3+2, 1+1] = 2$$

$\mathbb{T} = (\mathbb{R}_+^\infty, \min, +, \infty, 0)$: Tropical semiring

Example variant 4

Provenance polynomials ($\mathbb{N}[X], +, \cdot, 0, 1$)



Now assume each edge has a confidence (probability of being available).

What is the probability of the most likely path?

E

1	2
2	3
1	4
4	3
4	5

$p = 0.5$
 $q = 0.8$
 $r = 0.5$
 $s = 0.6$
 $t = 0.6$

$$Q(z) :- E(1,y), E(y,z)$$

Q: Points reachable in 2 hops, starting at node "1"

$$\max[0.5 \cdot 0.6, 0.5 \cdot 0.8] = 0.4$$

Q

3
5

$$r \cdot s + p \cdot q = 0.4$$

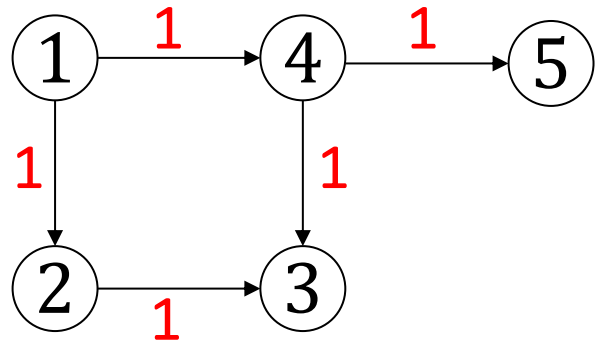
$$r \cdot t = 0.3$$

$$0.5 \cdot 0.6 = 0.3$$

$\mathbb{V} = ([0,1], \max, \cdot, 0, 1)$: Viterbi semiring (max likely sequence)

Example variant 5

Provenance polynomials ($\mathbb{N}[X], +, \cdot, 0, 1$)



Finally assume we want to calculate the number of paths to a node. We start by annotating the tuples in the database with their duplicity (which is 1 to start with)

E

1	2	$p = 1$
2	3	$q = 1$
1	4	$r = 1$
4	3	$s = 1$
4	5	$t = 1$

$Q(z) :- E(1,y), E(y,z)$

Q: Points reachable in 2 hops, starting at node "1"

Q

3	$r \cdot s + p \cdot q = 2$
5	$r \cdot t = 1$

$1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1 = 2$

$1 \cdot 1 = 1$

($\mathbb{N}, +, \cdot, 0, 1$): Counting derivations / bag semantics

A more complex example with exponents



$$Q(R) = \pi_{AC}(\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R) \cup \pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$$

R

A	B	C
a	b	c
d	b	e
f	g	e

$\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C
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?

$\pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C
---	---	---

?

$Q_1 \cup Q_2$

A	B	C
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?

Q

A	C
---	---

?

A more complex example with exponents



$$Q(R) = \pi_{AC}(\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R) \cup \pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$$

R

A	B	C	
a	b	c	X
d	b	e	Y
f	g	e	Z

$\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C	
a	b	c	
a	b	e	?
d	b	c	
d	b	e	
f	g	e	

$\pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C	
a	b	c	
d	b	e	?
d	g	e	
f	b	e	
f	g	e	

$Q_1 \cup Q_2$

A	B	C	
a	b	c	
a	b	e	?
d	b	c	
d	b	e	
d	g	e	
f	b	e	
f	g	e	

Q

A	C	
a	c	
a	e	?
d	c	
d	e	
f	e	

A more complex example with exponents



$$Q(R) = \pi_{AC}(\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R) \cup \pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$$

R

A	B	C
a	b	c
d	b	e
f	g	e

X
Y
Z

$\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C
a	b	c
a	b	e
d	b	c
d	b	e
f	g	e

X²
XY
XY
Y²
Z²

$\pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C
a	b	c
d	b	e
d	g	e
f	b	e
f	g	e

?

$Q_1 \cup Q_2$

A	B	C
a	b	c
a	b	e
d	b	c
d	b	e
d	g	e
f	b	e
f	g	e

?

Q

A	C
a	c
a	e
d	c
d	e
f	e

?

A more complex example with exponents



$$Q(R) = \pi_{AC}(\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R) \cup \pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$$

R

A	B	C
a	b	c
d	b	e
f	g	e

X
Y
Z

$\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C
a	b	c
a	b	e
d	b	c
d	b	e
f	g	e

X²
XY
XY
Y²
Z²

$\pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C
a	b	c
d	b	e
d	g	e
f	b	e
f	g	e

X²
Y²
YZ
YZ
Z²

Q₁ ∪ Q₂

A	B	C
a	b	c
a	b	e
d	b	c
d	b	e
d	g	e
f	b	e
f	g	e

?

Q

A	C
a	c
a	e
d	c
d	e
f	e

?

A more complex example with exponents



$$Q(R) = \pi_{AC}(\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R) \cup \pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$$

R

A	B	C	
a	b	c	X
d	b	e	Y
f	g	e	Z

$\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C	
a	b	c	X^2
a	b	e	XY
d	b	c	XY
d	b	e	Y^2
f	g	e	Z^2

$\pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C	
a	b	c	X^2
d	b	e	Y^2
d	g	e	YZ
f	b	e	YZ
f	g	e	Z^2

$Q_1 \cup Q_2$

A	B	C	
a	b	c	$2X^2$
a	b	e	XY
d	b	c	XY
d	b	e	$2Y^2$
d	g	e	YZ
f	b	e	YZ
f	g	e	$2Z^2$

Q

A	C	
a	c	
a	e	
d	c	
d	e	
f	e	



A more complex example with exponents



$$Q(R) = \pi_{AC}(\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R) \cup \pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$$

R

A	B	C
a	b	c
d	b	e
f	g	e

X
Y
Z

$\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C
a	b	c
a	b	e
d	b	c
d	b	e
f	g	e

X^2
 XY
 XY
 Y^2
 Z^2

$\pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C
a	b	c
d	b	e
d	g	e
f	b	e
f	g	e

X^2
 Y^2
 YZ
 YZ
 Z^2

$Q_1 \cup Q_2$

A	B	C
a	b	c
a	b	e
d	b	c
d	b	e
d	g	e
f	b	e
f	g	e

$2X^2$
 XY
 XY
 $2Y^2$
 YZ
 YZ
 $2Z^2$

Q

A	C
a	c
a	e
d	c
d	e
f	e

$2X^2$
 XY
 XY
 $2Y^2 + YZ$
 $YZ + 2Z^2$

A more complex example with exponents



$$Q(R) = \pi_{AC}(\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R) \cup \pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$$

A	B	C
a	b	c
d	b	e
f	g	e

$X=2$
 $Y=5$
 $Z=1$

A	B	C
a	b	c
a	b	e
d	b	c
d	b	e
f	g	e

X^2
 XY
 XY
 Y^2
 Z^2

A	B	C
a	b	c
d	b	e
d	g	e
f	b	e
f	g	e

X^2
 Y^2
 YZ
 YZ
 Z^2

A	B	C
a	b	c
a	b	e
d	b	c
d	b	e
d	g	e
f	b	e
f	g	e

$2X^2$
 XY
 XY
 XY
 $2Y^2$
 YZ
 YZ
 $2Z^2$

A	C
a	c
a	e
d	c
d	e
f	e

$2X^2$
 XY
 XY
 $2Y^2+YZ$
 $YZ+2Z^2$

Let's assume bag semantics and duplicities in the input. How many output tuples do we get?

$(\mathbb{N}, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$: Counting derivations / bag semantics

A more complex example with exponents



$$Q(R) = \underbrace{\pi_{AC}(\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R)} \cup \underbrace{\pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R}$$

R

A	B	C
a	b	c
d	b	e
f	g	e

X = 2
Y = 5
Z = 1

$\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C
a	b	c
a	b	e
d	b	c
d	b	e
f	g	e

X²
XY
XY
Y²
Z²

$\pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R$

A	B	C
a	b	c
d	b	e
d	g	e
f	b	e
f	g	e

X²
Y²
YZ
YZ
Z²

Q₁ ∪ Q₂

A	B	C
a	b	c
a	b	e
d	b	c
d	b	e
d	g	e
f	b	e
f	g	e

2X²
XY
XY
2Y²
YZ
YZ
2Z²

Q

A	C
a	c
a	e
d	c
d	e
f	e

2X² = 8
XY = 10
XY = 10
2Y² + YZ = 55
YZ + 2Z² = 7

Let's assume bag semantics and duplicities in the input. How many output tuples do we get?

($\mathbb{N}, +, \cdot, 0, 1$): Counting derivations / bag semantics

A more complex example with exponents



$$Q(R) = \pi_{AC}(\underbrace{\pi_{AB}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R}_X \cup \underbrace{\pi_{AC}R \bowtie \pi_{BC}R}_Y)$$

$\pi_{R.A,R.B,R2.C}(R \bowtie_{R.B=R2.B} \rho_{R \rightarrow R2} R)$

$\pi_{R.A,R2.B,R.C}(R \bowtie_{R.C=R2.C} \rho_{R \rightarrow R2} R)$

R

A	B	C
a	b	c
d	b	e
f	g	e

X = 2

Y = 5

Z = 1

```
SELECT A, C, COUNT(*)
FROM (
  SELECT R.A, R.B, R2.C
  FROM R, R R2
  WHERE R.B = R2.B
  UNION ALL
  SELECT R.A, R2.B, R.C
  FROM R, R R2
  WHERE R.C = R2.C) X
GROUP BY A, C
ORDER BY A, C
```

Q

A	C
a	c
a	e
d	c
d	e
f	e

$2X^2 = 8$

$XY = 10$

$XY = 10$

$2Y^2 + YZ = 55$

$YZ + 2Z^2 = 7$

	a character varying	c character varying	count bigint
1	a	c	8
2	a	e	10
3	d	c	10
4	d	e	55
5	f	e	7

SQL example available at: <https://github.com/northeastern-datalab/cs3200-activities/tree/master/sql>

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