

Applied Compositional Thinking for Engineers (ACT4E)

Session 3a

Questions & Answers

Q: To my eye, the picture of cartesian product looks like $B \times A$ instead of $A \times B$. Any comment ?

A: Why is this?

According to number of rows and columns. But maybe it is not so important.

A: What matters is the form of the tuple, if it is $\langle x_i, y_i \rangle$ where x_i in A and y_i in B , then it belongs to $A \times B$. So the order does matter. Right ?

A: Yes, we will see the concept of “isomorphism” to describe morphisms from $A \times B$ and $B \times A$

Q: I think, the Y is not defined in the definition of relation composition. In the current slide, yes it is defined.

A: Sure, I think you refer to the set Y , which should be B (it's a typo). Yes.

Q: Injective and bijective are the same , right?

A: Why? No, injective + surjective gives bijective. Aha, thanks.

Q: What would be an example of an injective but not a single valued relation?

A: $R = \{\langle x_1, y_1 \rangle, \langle x_1, y_2 \rangle, \langle x_2, y_3 \rangle\}$

A: square root

Q: What does total mean exactly ?

A: answering now live

Q: isnt the notation on slide 25 for endorelation on R^2 somehow misleading since we use $\langle x_1, x_2 \rangle$ for x_1 is related to x_2 ?

A: I see the confusion. Though, here $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ represents pairs, i.e. elements of R^2 .