

# Fuzzy relations

Fuzzy sets defined on universal sets which are  
Cartesian products.

$\langle x, y \rangle$

# Example (information retrieval, bilgi erişimi)

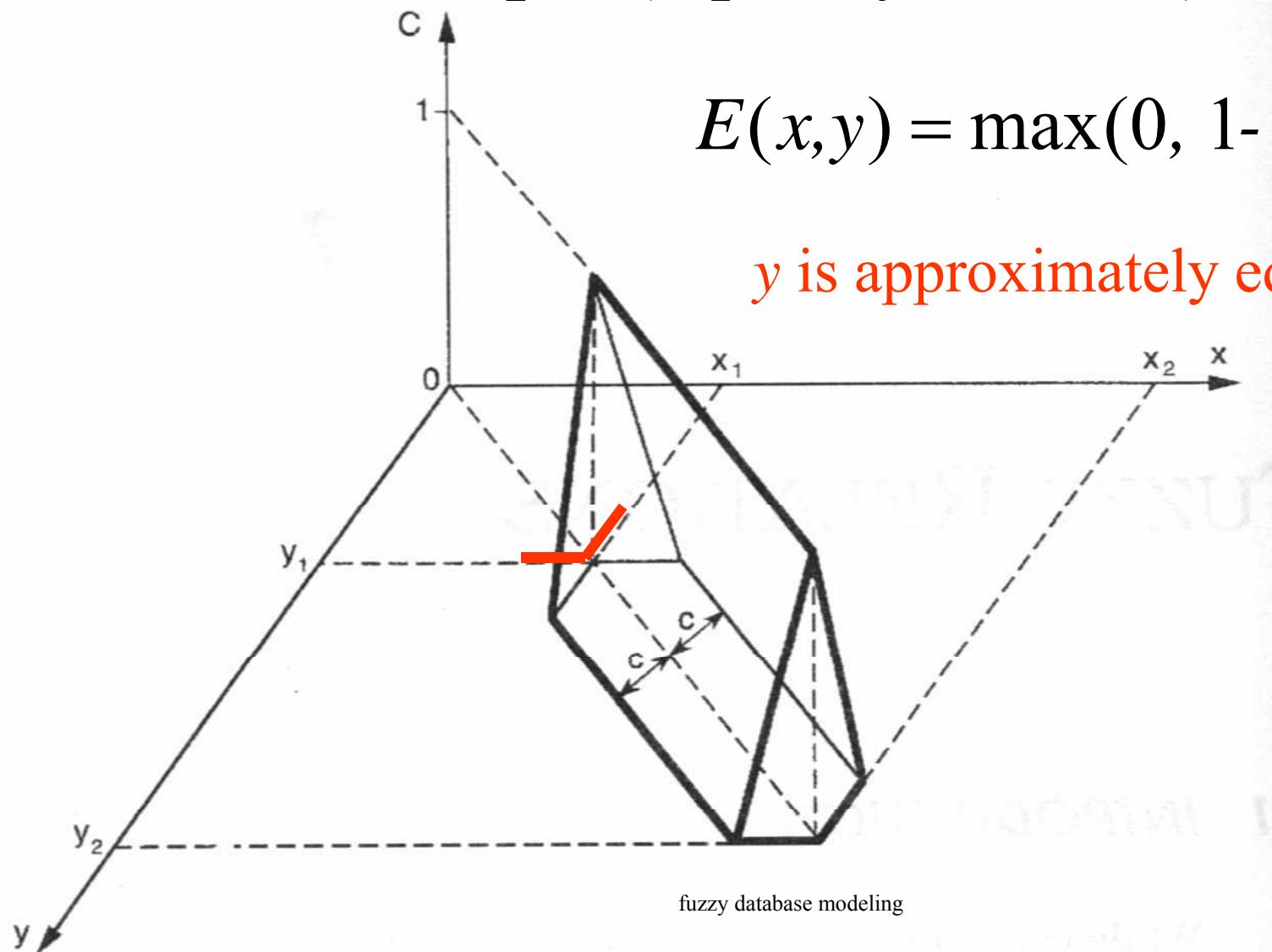


Membership degree  $R(d,t)$ :  
the degree of relevance of document  $d$  and the key term  $t$

## Example (equality relation)

$$E(x,y) = \max(0, 1 - \frac{|x - y|}{c})$$

y is approximately equal to x



# Representations of fuzzy relation

- List of ordered pairs with their membership grades
- Matrices
- Mappings
- Directed graphs

# Matrices

Fuzzy relation R on X×Y

X={ $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ }, Y={ $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m$ }

$r_{ij}=R(x_i, y_j)$  is the membership degree of pair ( $x_i, y_j$ )

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & \dots & r_{1m} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & \dots & r_{2m} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ r_{n1} & r_{n2} & \dots & r_{nm} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Example (very far from)

Example:  $X = \{\text{Beijing}, \text{Chicago}, \text{London}, \text{Moscow}, \text{New York}, \text{Paris}, \text{Sydney}, \text{Tokyo}\}$

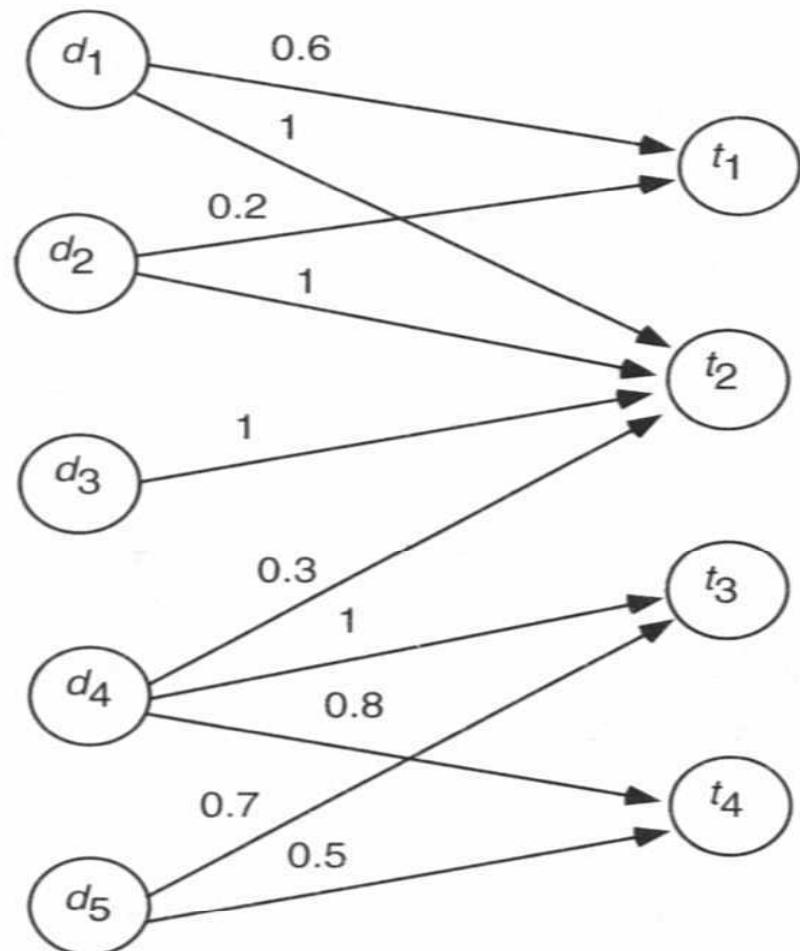
<b>R</b>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>P</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>T</i>
<i>B</i>	0	1	0.7	0.5	1	0.7	0.6	0.1
<i>C</i>	1	0	0.5	0.9	0	0.5	1	1
<i>L</i>	0.7	0.5	0	0.3	0.5	0	1	0.7
<i>M</i>	0.5	0.9	0.3	0	0.9	0.3	0.8	0.5
<i>N</i>	1	0	0.5	0.9	0	0.5	1	1
<i>P</i>	0.7	0.5	0	0.3	0.5	0	1	0.7
<i>S</i>	0.6	1	1	0.8	1	1	0	0.6
<i>T</i>	<b>0.1</b>	1	0.7	0.5	1	0.7	0.6	0

# Mappings (Eşlemeler)

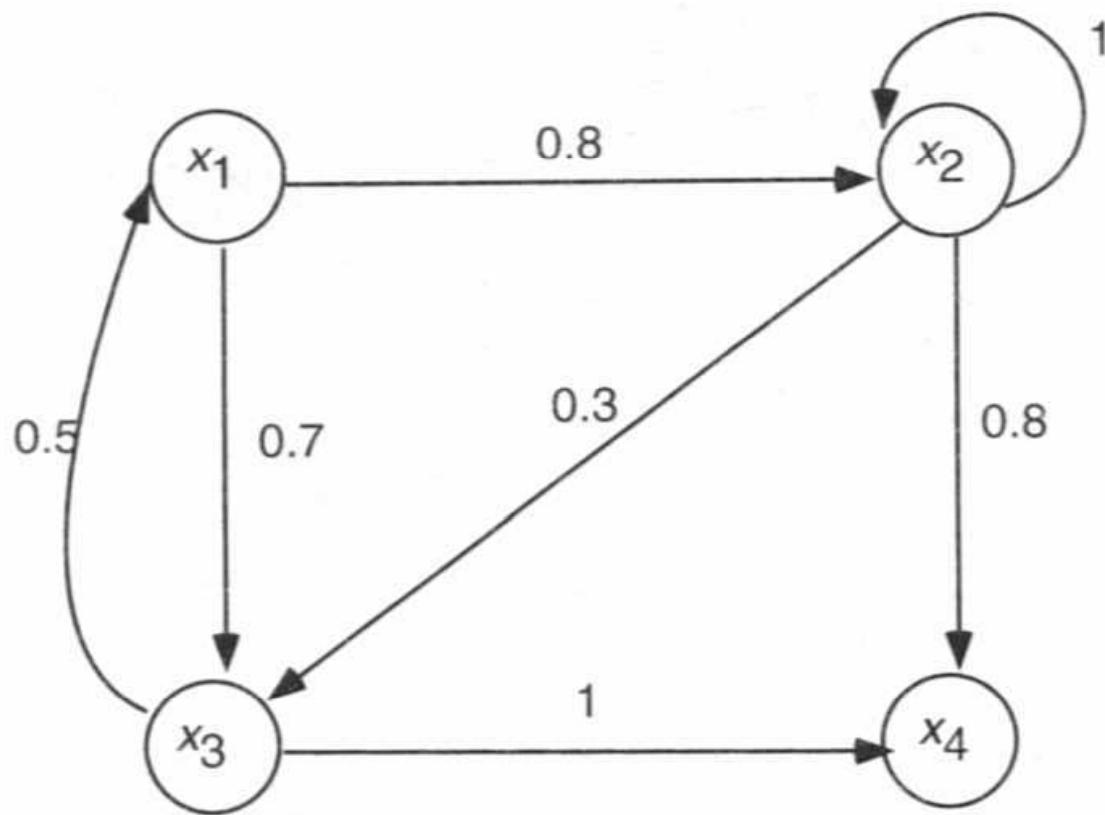
The visual representations  
On finite Cartesian products

Document D = { $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_5$ }

Key terms T = { $t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4$ }



# Directed graphs



# Inverse operation

- Given fuzzy binary relation  $R \subseteq X \times Y$

- Inverse  $R^{-1} \subseteq Y \times X$
- $R^{-1}(y, x) = R(x, y)$
- $(R^{-1})^{-1} = R$

The transpose of  $R$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.3 & 1 & 0.8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.7 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } R^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.8 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

# The composition(bileşim, oluşum) of fuzzy relations P and Q

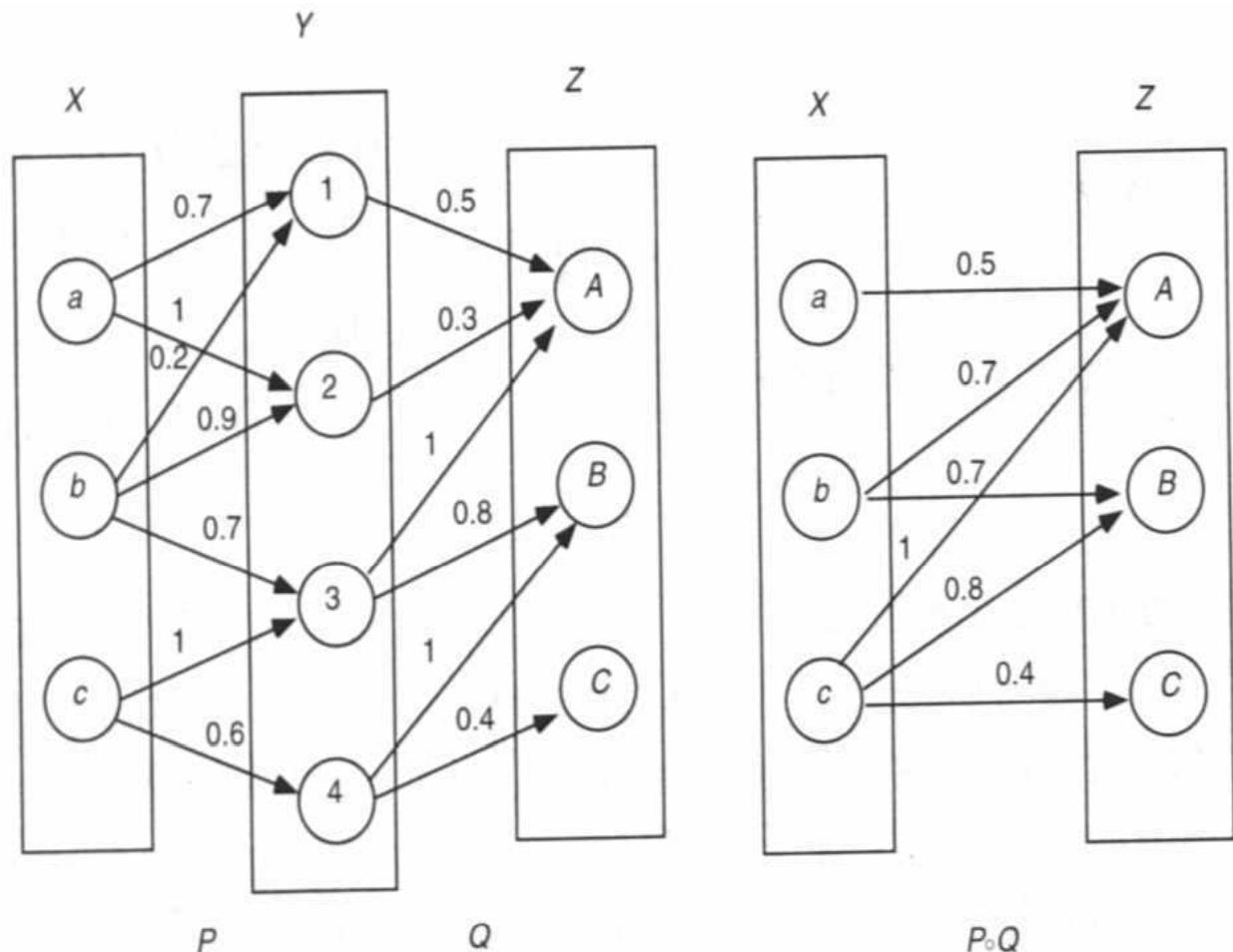
- Given fuzzy relations  $P \subseteq X \times Y$ ,  $Q \subseteq Y \times Z$ 
  - Composition on P and Q =  $P \circ Q = R \subseteq X \times Z$
  - The membership degree of a chain  $\langle x, y, z \rangle$  is determined by the degree of the weaker of the two links,  $\langle x, y \rangle$  and  $\langle y, z \rangle$ .
  - $R(x, z) = (P \circ Q)(x, z) = \max_{y \in Y} \min [P(x, y), Q(y, z)]$
  - $R(x, z) = (P \circ Q)(x, z) = \sup_{y \in Y} \min [P(x, y), Q(y, z)]$

# Example (composition of fuzzy relations)

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

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

$$Z = \{A, B, C\}$$



## Example (matrix composition)

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4\} \\ Y &= \{s_1, s_2, s_3\} \\ Z &= \{d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4, d_5\} \end{aligned} \quad \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.3 & 0.4 \\ 0.2 & 0.5 & 0.3 \\ 0.8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0 & 0 & 0.3 & 0.6 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.8 & 0.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.7 & 0.2 & 0.9 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.3 & 0.4 \\ 0.2 & 0.5 & 0.3 \\ 0.8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0 & 0 & 0.3 & 0.6 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.8 & 0.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.7 & 0.2 & 0.9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.4 & 0.3 & 0.4 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.4 & 0.2 \\ 0.7 & 0 & 0 & 0.3 & 0.6 \\ 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.9 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{P} \subseteq X \times Y$        $\mathbf{Q} \subseteq Y \times Z$        $\mathbf{R} \subseteq X \times Z$

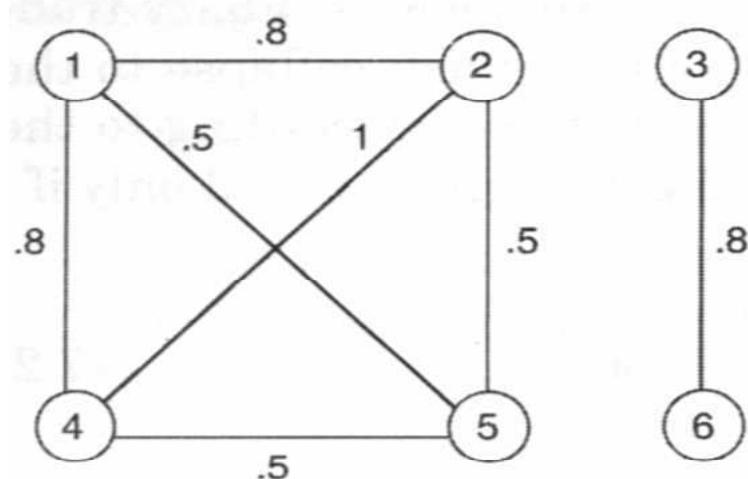
# Fuzzy equivalence relations and compatibility relations

- **Equivalence (eşdeğerlik, denklik):** Any fuzzy relation R that satisfies reflexive, symmetric and transitive properties.
  - R is reflexive  $\Leftrightarrow R(x, x) = 1$  for all  $x \in X$ .
  - R is symmetric  $\Leftrightarrow R(x, y) = R(y, x)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .
  - R is transitive  $\Leftrightarrow R(x, z) \geq \max_{y \in Y} \min [ R(x, y), R(y, z) ]$  all  $x, z \in X$ .
- **Compatibility (bağdaşırılık, uyumluluk):** satisfy reflexive and symmetric

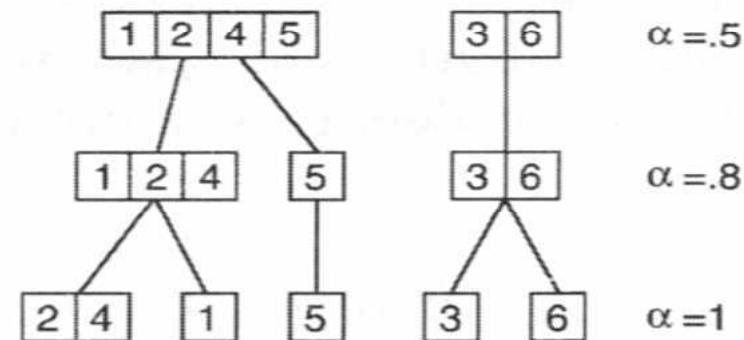
## Example (fuzzy equivalence)

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.8 & 0 & 0.8 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0.8 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0.8 \\ 0.8 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 & 0.5 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.8 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R(1,4) \geq \max \{ \min[R(1,2), R(2,4)],$   
 $\min[R(1,5), R(5,4)] \}$



Fuzzy equivalence relation  $Q$

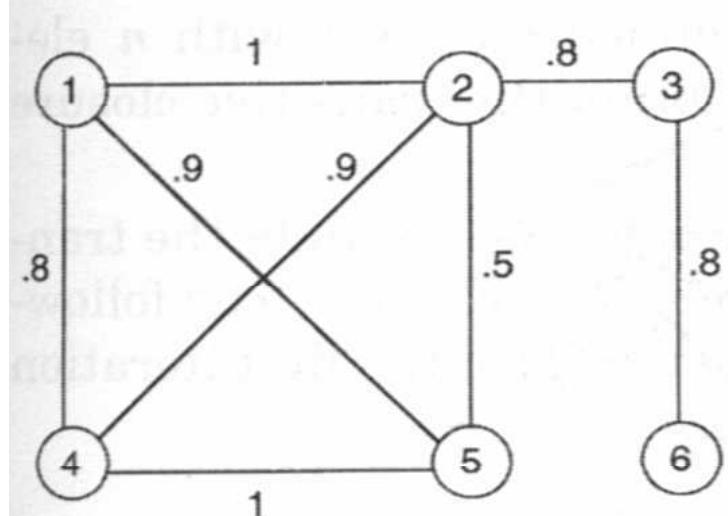


Equivalence classes in  $\alpha$ -cuts of  $Q$

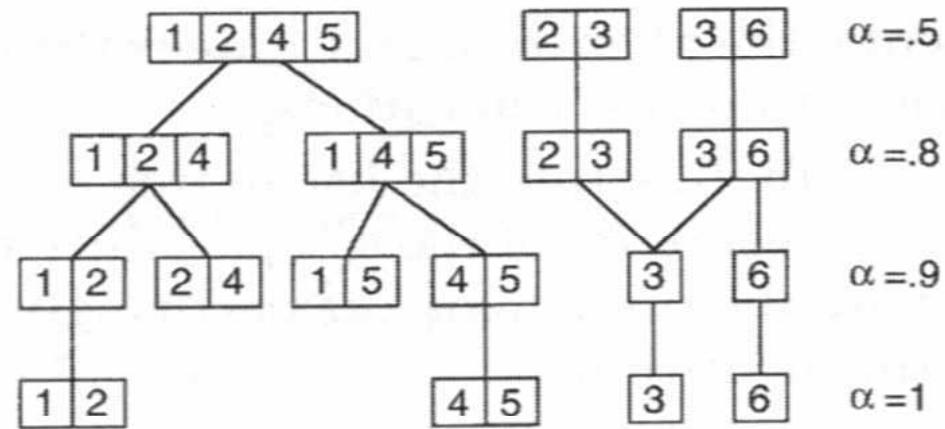
## Example(fuzzy compatibility)

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.8 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0.8 \\ 0.8 & 0.9 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0.9 & 0.5 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.8 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R(1,4) < \max \{ \min[R(1,2), R(2,4)], \min[R(1,5), R(5,4)] \}$



Fuzzy compatibility relation  $R$

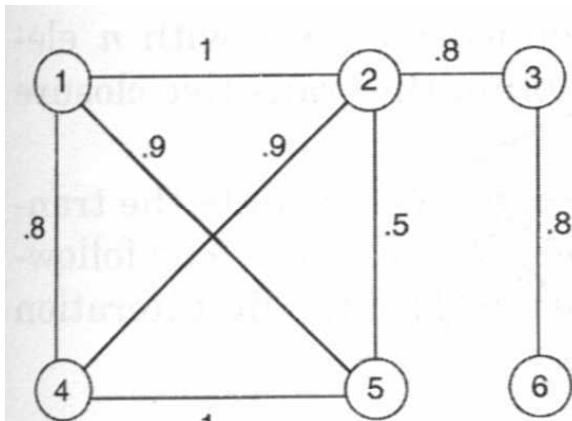


Maximal compatibility classes in  $\alpha$ -cuts of  $R$

# Transitive closure

- The transitive closure of  $R$  is the smallest fuzzy relation that is transitive and contains  $R$ .
- interactive algorithm to find transitive closure  $R_T$  of  $R$ 
  1. Compute  $R' = R \cup (R \circ R)$
  2. If  $R' \neq R$ , rename  $R'$  as  $R$  and go to step 1. Otherwise,  $R' = R_T$ .

# Evaluate the algorithm



Fuzzy compatibility relation  $R$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.8 \\ 1 & 1 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.8 \\ 0.8 & 0.8 & 1 & 0.8 & 0.8 & 0.8 \\ 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.8 & 1 & 1 & 0.8 \\ 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.8 & 1 & 1 & 0.8 \\ 0.8 & 0.8 & 0.8 & 0.8 & 0.8 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

second iteration

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.8 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0.8 \\ 0.8 & 0.9 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0.9 & 0.5 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.8 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0.9 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.8 \\ 0.8 & 0.8 & 1 & 0.8 & 0.5 & 0.8 \\ 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.8 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.5 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.8 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0.9 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.8 \\ 0.8 & 0.8 & 1 & 0.8 & 0.5 & 0.8 \\ 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.8 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.5 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.8 & 0.8 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

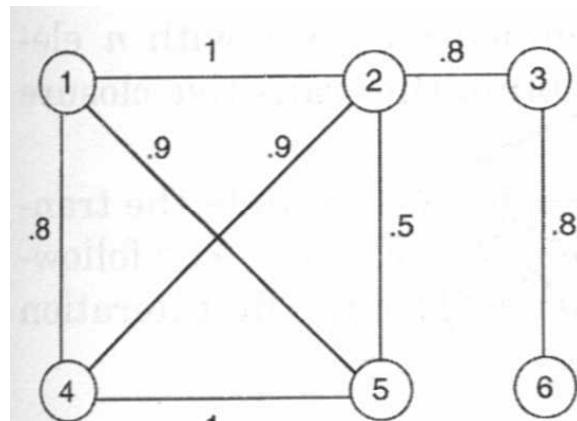
$R$

$R \circ R$

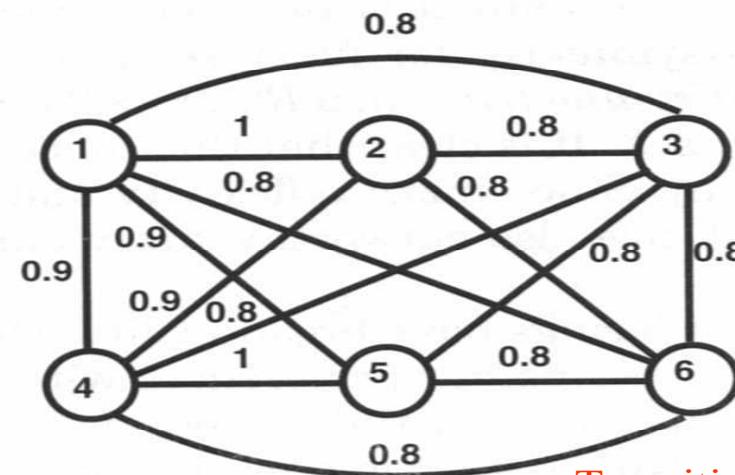
$\longleftrightarrow R \cup (R \circ R)$

equal

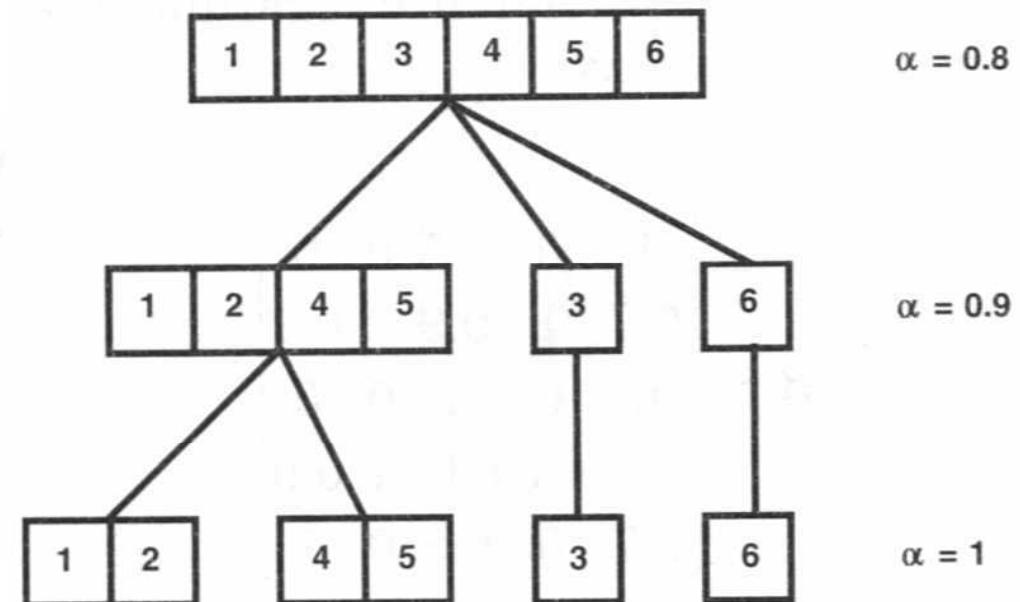
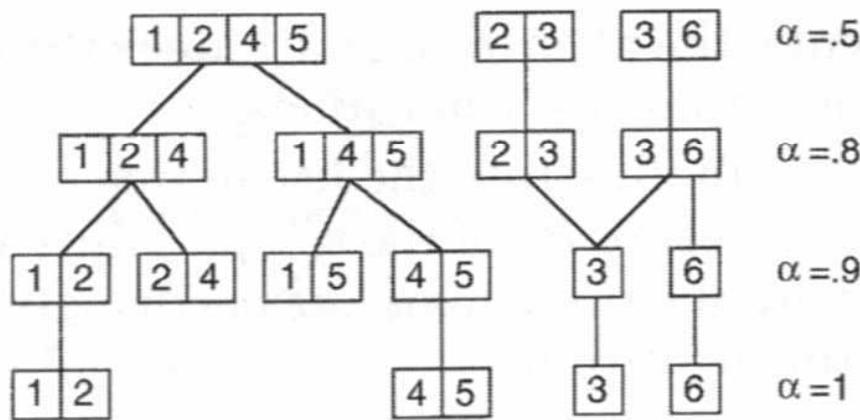
# Example (transitive closure)



Fuzzy compatibility relation  $R$



Transitive closure of  $R$



# Evaluate the algorithm (Example)

$$\begin{aligned}
 R &= \begin{bmatrix} .7 & .5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & .4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & .8 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 R \circ R &= \begin{bmatrix} .7 & .5 & 0 & .5 \\ 0 & 0 & .8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & .4 \\ 0 & .4 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R \cup (R \circ R) = \begin{bmatrix} .7 & .5 & 0 & .5 \\ 0 & 0 & .8 & 1 \\ 0 & .4 & 0 & .4 \\ 0 & .4 & .8 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = R' \quad \text{not equal} \\
 R \circ R &= \begin{bmatrix} .7 & .5 & .5 & .5 \\ 0 & .4 & .8 & .4 \\ 0 & .4 & .4 & .4 \\ 0 & .4 & .4 & .4 \end{bmatrix} \quad R \cup (R \circ R) = \begin{bmatrix} .7 & .5 & .5 & .5 \\ 0 & .4 & .8 & .1 \\ 0 & .4 & .4 & .4 \\ 0 & .4 & .8 & .4 \end{bmatrix} = R' \quad \text{not equal} \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

First iteration

Second iteration

Third iteration

# Fuzzy Partial ordering

- Fuzzy relations that satisfy reflexive, transitive and anti-symmetric, denoted by  $x \leq y$ 
  - $R$  on  $X$  is anti-symmetric  $\Leftrightarrow R(x,y) > 0$  and  $R(y,x) > 0$  imply that  $x=y$  for any  $x,y \in X$ .

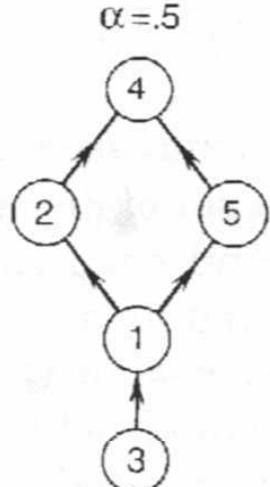
# Example (fuzzy partial ordering)

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.7 & 1 & 0.9 & 0 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0.9 & 1 & 1 & 0.9 \\ 0.7 & 0 & 0.8 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

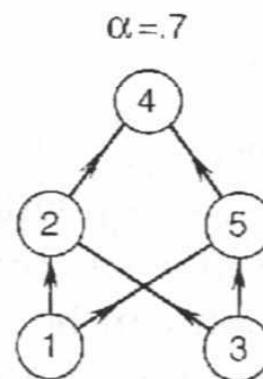
$\alpha=.1$



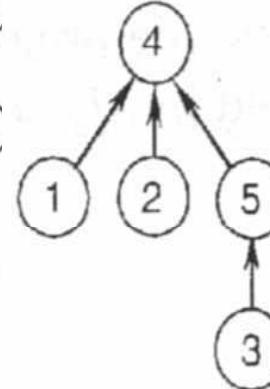
$\alpha=.5$



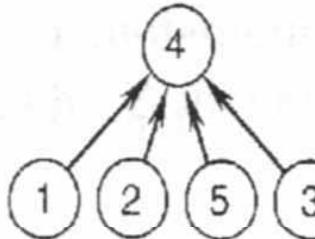
$\alpha=.7$



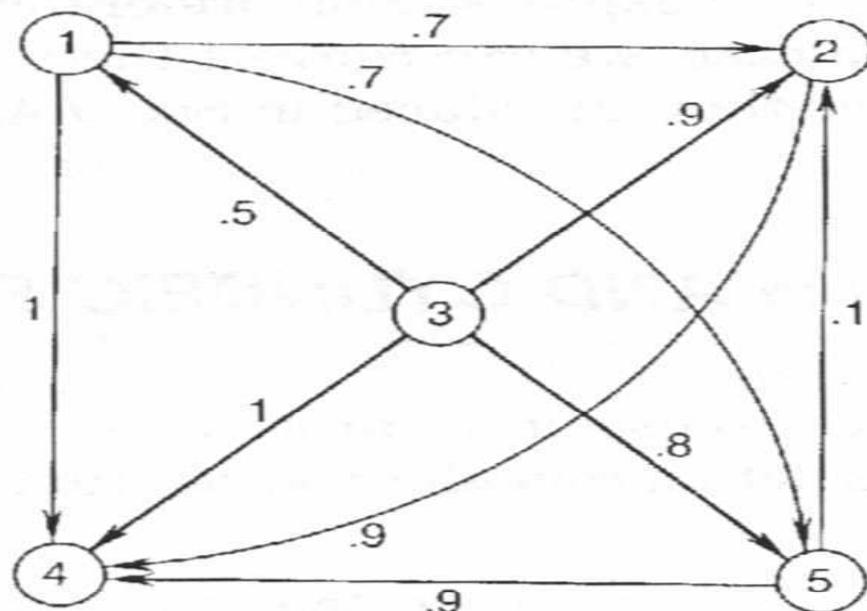
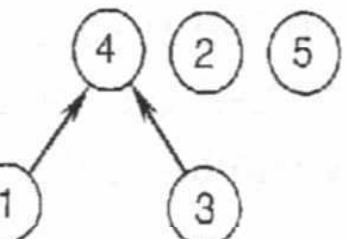
$\alpha=.8$



$\alpha=.9$



$\alpha=1$



# Projections example

$S = \{s_1, s_2, s_3\}$

symptoms

$D = \{d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4, d_5\}$  diseases

Projection on S

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0 & 0 & 0.3 & 0.6 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.8 & 0.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.7 & 0.2 & 0.9 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q_1(s) = \max_{d \in D} Q(s, d)$$

Projection on D

$$Q_2(s) = \max_{s \in S} Q(s, d)$$

$$Q_1 = 0.7/s_1 + 0.8/s_2 + 0.9/s_3$$

$$Q_2 = 0.7/d_1 + 0.7/d_2 + 0.8/d_3 + 0.9/d_4 + 0.6/d_6$$

# Projections

Given an  $n$ -dimensional fuzzy relation  $R$  on  $X = X_1 \times X_2 \times \dots \times X_n$  and any subset  $P$  (any chosen dimensions) of  $X$ , the projection  $R_P$  of  $R$  on  $P$  for each  $p \in P$  is

$$R_P(p) = \max_{\bar{p} \in \bar{P}} R(p, \bar{p})$$

Where  $\bar{P}$  is the remaining dimensions

# Cylindric extension

Given an  $n$ -dimensional fuzzy relation  $R$  on  $X = X_1 \times X_2 \times \dots \times X_n$ , any  $(n+k)$ -dimensional relation whose projection into the  $n$  dimensions of  $R$  yields  $R$  is called an **extension** of  $R$ .

An extension of  $R$  with respect to  $Y = Y_1 \times Y_2 \times \dots \times Y_h$  is called the **cylindric extension**  ${}^{EY}R$  of  $R$  into  $Y$

$${}^{EY}R(x, y) = R(x)$$

For all  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$ .

## Example (Cylindric extension)

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_1 &= 0.7/s_1 + 0.8/s_2 + 0.9/s_3 \\
 Q_2 &= 0.7/d_1 + 0.7/d_2 + 0.8/d_3 + 0.9/d_4 + 0.6/d_6
 \end{aligned}$$

$$ED\mathbf{Q}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.7 \\ 0.8 & 0.8 & 0.8 & 0.8 & 0.8 \\ 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix}, \quad ^{ES}\mathbf{Q}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0.6 \\ 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0.6 \\ 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$ED\mathbf{Q}_1 \cap ^{ES}\mathbf{Q}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.6 \\ 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.8 & 0.8 & 0.6 \\ 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.8 & 0.9 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix} \supseteq Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0 & 0 & 0.3 & 0.6 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.8 & 0.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.7 & 0.2 & 0.9 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Example of cylindric closure

- **cylindric closure** : the intersection of the cylindric extensions of  $R$  is the original relation  $R$ .

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.4 & 0.4 & 0.4 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 & 0.7 & 0.7 \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 & 0.8 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix}$$

**min**

$$X = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\} \text{ and } Y = \{y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4\}$$
$$R_1 = 0.4/x_1 + 0.7/x_2 + 0.2/x_3 + 0.9/x_4$$
$$R_2 = 0.3/y_1 + 0.5/y_2 + 0.8/y_3 + 0.9/y_4$$
$$EY\mathbf{R}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.4 & 0.4 & 0.4 \\ 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.7 & 0.7 \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$EX\mathbf{R}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.5 & 0.8 & 0.9 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 & 0.8 & 0.9 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 & 0.8 & 0.9 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 & 0.8 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix}$$