

1. Quick Review

(a) R is a relation on A if $R \subseteq A \times A$

(b) Suppose R is a relation on the set A .

i. We say R is **symmetric** if $\forall a, b \in A \quad (a, b) \in R \Rightarrow (b, a) \in R$.

ii. We say R is **reflexive** if $\forall a \in A, (a, a) \in R$

iii. We say R is **transitive** if $\forall a, b, c \in A \quad (a, b), (b, c) \in R \Rightarrow (a, c) \in R$.

(c) What properties do the following relations have?

i. Let R be a relation on $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ such that $(a, b)R(c, d)$ if $ad = bc$.

Symmetric $[(1,1)] = \{ \dots (1,1), (2,2), (3,3) \dots \} = [(2,2)]$
 reflexive $[(1,2)] = \{ (1,2), (2,4), (3,6), (4,8) \dots \}$
 transitive $[(2,3)] = \{ (2,3), (4,6), (6,9), (8,12) \dots \}$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

ii. Let R be a relation on $A = \mathbb{Z}$ defined by $a R b$ if $a \equiv b \pmod{3}$.

Symmetric $[3] = [0] = \{ a \in \mathbb{Z} : a \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \} = \{ \dots -6, -3, 0, 3, 6, 9, \dots \}$
 reflexive $[-2] = [1] = \{ \dots -5, -2, 1, 4, 7, \dots \}$
 transitive $[8] = [2] = \{ \dots -4, -1, 2, 5, 8, \dots \}$

iii. Suppose R is a relation on $\mathcal{P}(A)$ where $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$ defined as $X R Y$ if $X \cap Y \neq \emptyset$.

not symmetric $\rightarrow (\emptyset, \emptyset) \notin R$
 reflexive
 not transitive
 $\{1, 2\} R \{2, 3\}$ and $\{2, 3\} R \{3, 4\}$
 but $\{1, 2\} \not R \{3, 4\}$

2. A relation R on set A is an **equivalence relation** if it's symmetric, reflexive, and transitive.

• $[a] =$ equivalence class containing $a \in A = \{x \in A : x R a\}$

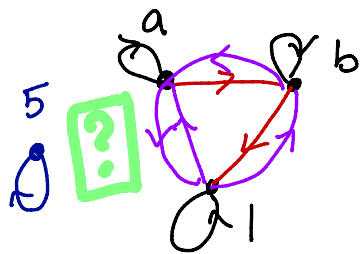
• A partition of a set S is a set of subsets of S that are ① nonempty, ② whose union is all of S and ③ intersection of different subsets is empty.

• The equivalence relation R partitions the set S into equivalence classes.

Now we have ALL possible ordered pairs w/ $a, b, 1 \dots !!$

3. Build your own equivalence relation on $A = \{a, b, 1, 5\}$.

$R = \{ \underbrace{(a,a), (b,b), (1,1), (5,5)}_{\text{mandatory}}, \underbrace{(a,b), (b,a)}_{\text{just for kicks}}, \underbrace{(b,1), (1,b)}_{\text{Symmetry forces this}}, \underbrace{(a,1), (1,a)}_{\text{transitive}} \}$



our work is indep. of any details about A or R beyond the defn. of equivalence relation.

A is partitioned into $\{a, b\}$ and $\{5\}$

4. For each relation below, quickly confirm the relation **is** an equivalence relation, then identify its equivalence classes using the square bracket notation in **two different ways** and by describing them as sets. Can you describe the partition of A that is produced?

(a) Let R be a relation on $A = \mathbb{Z}$ defined by $a R b$ if $a \equiv b \pmod{6}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 [0] &= [6] = \{\dots, -6, 0, 6, 12, \dots\} & [3] &= [9] = \{\dots, -3, 9, 12, \dots\} \\
 [1] &= [7] = \{\dots, -5, 1, 7, 13, \dots\} & [4] &= [10] = \{\dots, -2, 4, 10, 16, \dots\} \\
 [2] &= [8] = \{\dots, -4, 2, 8, 14, \dots\} & [5] &= [11] = \{\dots, -1, 5, 11, 17, \dots\}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let R be a relation on the set of all polynomials with real coefficients defined by $p(x) R q(x)$ if the degree of $p(x)$ equals the degree of $q(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 [1] &= [2] = \{p(x) = c : c \in \mathbb{R}\} \\
 [x] &= [x+1] = \{ax+b : a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a \neq 0\} \\
 [x^2] &= [10x^2] = \{ax^2+bx+c : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}, a \neq 0\}
 \end{aligned}$$

polynomial are partitioned according to the highest power of x .

(c) Let R be the set of ~~continuous~~ ^{differentiable} functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $p(x) R q(x)$ if $p'(x) = q'(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 [x] &= [x+5] = \{x+c : c \in \mathbb{R}\} \leftarrow \int 1 dx \\
 [3x] &= [3x+5] = \{3x+c : c \in \mathbb{R}\} \leftarrow \int 3 dx \\
 [\sin x] &= [\sin x + \pi] = \{\sin(x) + c : c \in \mathbb{R}\} \leftarrow \int \cos(x) dx
 \end{aligned}$$

Differentiable fcn's are partitioned into families of anti-derivatives.

5. Suppose R and S are two equivalence relations on A . Answer the following questions **rigorously**.

(a) Is the set $R \cup S$ an equivalence relation on A ? **No.** Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$. Suppose

$$R = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (1,2), (2,1)\} \text{ and } S = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (2,3), (3,2)\}$$

Then $R \cup S$ will contain $(1,2)$ and $(2,3)$ but not $(1,3)$.

(b) Is the set $R \cap S$ an equivalence relation on A ? **Yes.**

reflexive: $\forall a \in A, a R a$ and $a S a$ b/c R and S are reflexive. Thus $(a,a) \in R \cap S$.

Symmetric: Let $(a,b) \in R \cap S$. So $(a,b) \in R$ and $(a,b) \in S$. Since R and S are symmetric, $(b,a) \in R$ and $(b,a) \in S$. Thus, $(b,a) \in R \cap S$.

transitive: Let $(a,b), (b,c) \in R \cap S$. So $(a,b), (b,c) \in R$ and $(a,b), (b,c) \in S$. Since R and S are transitive, $(a,c) \in R$ and $(a,c) \in S$.

So $(a,c) \in R \cap S$.