

redefining - redefining "equal" i.e. " $=$ ".

Eg: Let set  $B = \mathbb{Z}$ , defining " $=$ " on  $B$  s.t.  $a = b$  if  $5 \mid (a-b)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}$ . (factors have to be Integer).

1) Show that " $=$ " is an equivalence relation on  $B$ .

2) Find all equivalence classes of " $=$ ".

3) Does  $(3, 10) \in "="$ ?

Does  $(7, 12) \in "="$ ?

Ans: 1) We need to show 3 things:

i)  $A-A$  / reflexive (txt book calls it symmetric)  
Means " $a = a$ " for every  $a \in B$

ii)  $A-B$  / symmetric  
Means if " $a = b$ "  $\forall a, b \in B$ , then " $b = a$ ".

iii)  $A-B-C$  / transitive  
Means if " $a = b$ " and " $b = c$ " for some  $a, b, c \in B$ , then " $a = c$ ".

A-A: Let  $a \in B$ . Show " $a = a$ " i.e. show  $5 \mid (a-a)$ .  
 $a - a = 0$ ,  $5 \mid 0$ ,  $0 = 5 \times 0$ ,  $0 \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

A-B: Assume " $a = b$ " for some  $a, b \in B$ . Show " $b = a$ ".  
i.e. assume  $a - b = 5k_1$ , for some  $k_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Multiply by  $-1$ :  $b - a = 5 \times (-k_1)$ ,  $-k_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$   
Hence  $b = a$ .

A-B-C: Assume " $a = b$ " and " $b = c$ " for some  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Show " $a = c$ ".

$a - b = 5k_1$  and  $b - c = 5k_2$  for some  $k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Add:  $a - b + b - c = 5k_1 + 5k_2$

$a - c = 5(k_1 + k_2)$ ,  $k_1 + k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Hence  $a = c$ .

$\therefore "="$  is an equivalence relation

2)  $\bar{0} = [0]$  (set of all numbers that " $=$ " 0.)

$[0] = \{ \dots, -5, 0, 5, 10, 15, \dots \}$ . i.e.  $5n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$[10] = [0]$

or  $[100] = [0]$

$\bar{1} = [1] = \{ \dots, -9, -4, 1, 6, 11, \dots \}$  set of all numbers that " $=$ " 1.  
i.e.  $5n + 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$[2] = \{ \dots, -8, -3, 2, 7, 12, \dots \}$   $5n + 2$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$[3] = \{ \dots, -7, -2, 3, 8, 13, \dots \}$

$[4] = \{ \dots, -6, -1, 4, 9, 14, \dots \}$ .

Fact: intersection of any 2 distinct equivalence classes is empty.

union of all equivalence classes is whole set  $B$ .

Equivalence relation partitions the set to subsets.



30 We view elements of the new relation as  $\neq$  a subset of  $B \times B = \{ (a_1, a_2) \mid a_1, a_2 \in B \}$

$(3, 10) \in "="$  means  $3 = 10$ .

check:  $3 - 10 = -7$

$5 \nmid -7$ . Hence,  $(3, 10) \notin "="$ .

$\in "="$

$(7, 12) \in "="$  means  $7 = 12$

check:  $7 - 12 = -5$

$5 \mid -5$ . Hence  $(7, 12) \in "="$ .

### Homework 11:

Ques. 1: Let  $A = \{0011, 1011, 0101, 0111, 1111, 1101\}$ . Define  $=$  on  $A$ , where if  $a, b \in A$  then  $a = b$  if number of zero digits on  $a =$  no. of zero digits on  $b$ .

i) Convince me that  $=$  is an equivalence relation.

ii) Find all equivalence classes of  $(A, =)$

iii) view  $=$  as a subset of  $A \times A$ . How many elements does  $=$  have?

iv) Write down all elements of  $\neq$ .

Ans: i) check:

$A - A$ . let  $a \in A$ . show " $a = a$ ".

Meaning number of zero digits in  $a =$  number of zero digits in  $a$ . This is true by observation.  $0101 = 0101$

$1011 = 1011$ .

Axiom 1 holds.

$A - B$ . let  $a, b \in A$ . If " $a = b$ ", then show " $b = a$ ".

Note: set  $A$  is finite. This means we can prove by example instead of by argument.

Example; let  $a = 0011$  and  $b = 0101$ .

" $a = b$ " ( $0011 = 0101$ ) because number of zero digits in  $0011 =$  no. of zero digits in  $0101$

No. of zero digits in  $0101 =$  no. of zero digits in  $0011$   
(b) (a)

Hence " $b = a$ ". Axiom 2 holds.

$A - B - C$ . let  $a, b, c \in A$ . If " $a = b$ " and " $b = c$ " show " $a = c$ ".

Example: let  $a = 1011$ ,  $b = 0111$ ,  $c = 1101$ .

$1011 = 0111$ , no. of zero digits in  $1011 =$  no. of zero digits in  $0111$ .

$0111 = 1101$ , no. of zero digits in  $0111 =$  no. of zero digits in  $1101$ .

$\therefore$  no. of zero digits in  $1011 =$  no. of zero digits in  $1101$ .

$1011 = 1101$

$a = c$ . Axiom 3 holds.

Hence,  $=$  is an equivalence relation.

ii)  $[1111] = \{1111\}$

$[1011] = \{1011, 0111, 1101\}$

$[0011] = \{0011, 0101\}$

iii) No. of elements =  $1 + 3^2 + 2^2$   
 $= 14$ .

iv)  $(1111, 1111)$

$(1011, 1011)$   $(1011, 0111)$   $(1011, 1101)$

$(0111, 1011)$   $(0111, 0111)$   $(0111, 1101)$

$(1101, 1011)$   $(1101, 0111)$   $(1101, 1101)$

$(0011, 0011)$   $(0011, 0101)$   $(0101, 0011)$   $(0101, 0101)$



Ques 2: Let  $A = \{1, 5, 7, 9, 16, 22\}$ . Define  $=$  on  $A$ , where if  $a, b \in A$ , then  $a = b$  if  $a|b$  (in  $A$ ). Convince me this is not an equivalence relationship.

Ans: check:

A-A. let  $a \in A$ . show " $a = a$ ".

let  $a = 5$ .  $5 = 5 \times 1$ ,  $1 \in A$ . Axiom 1 holds.

A-B. let  $a, b \in A$ . Assume " $a = b$ ". Show " $b = a$ ".

let  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 7$ .  $7 = 7 \times 1$ ,  $7 \in A$ .

$1 = 7 \times \frac{1}{7}$ ,  $\frac{1}{7} \notin A$ . Axiom 2 fails to hold. (" $b \neq a$ ").

$\therefore "="$  is not an equivalence relation on  $A$ .

Ques 3: Let  $A = \{5, 7, 9, 16, 22\}$ . Define  $" = "$  on  $A$  where if  $a, b \in A$  then  $a = b$  if  $a|b$  (in  $A$ ). Convince me this is not an equivalence relationship.

Ans: check:

A-A. let  $a \in A$ . show " $a = a$ ".

let  $a = 5$ .  $5 = 5 \times 1$ ,  $1 \notin A$ . Axiom 1 fails to hold.

$\therefore "="$  is not an equivalence relation on  $A$ .

Ques 4: Let  $A = \{5, 7, 9, 11, 19, 20\}$ . Define  $" = "$  on  $A$ , where if  $a, b \in A$ , then  $a = b$  if  $a \pmod{4} = b \pmod{4}$ .

i) Convince me that  $" = "$  is an equivalence relation.

ii) Find all equivalence classes of  $(A, =)$ .

iii) View  $" = "$  as a subset of  $A \times A$ . How many elements does  $" = "$  have.

iv) Write down the elements of  $" = "$ .

Ans: i) check:

A-A. Let  $a \in A$ . Show " $a = a$ ".

let  $a = 5$ .  $a \pmod{4} = a \pmod{4}$

i.e.  $5 \pmod{4} = 5 \pmod{4}$

$(5-5) \pmod{4} = 0$

$0 \pmod{4} = 0$ . Axiom 1 holds.

A-B. Let  $a, b \in A$ . Assume " $a = b$ ".

i.e.  $a \pmod{4} = b \pmod{4}$ . let  $a = 5$  and  $b = 9$

$(a-b) \pmod{4} = 0$

$(5-9) \pmod{4} = 0$

$-4 \pmod{4} = 0$

Show " $b = a$ ".

$x-1$ ;  $-(a-b) \pmod{4} = 0$

$(b-a) \pmod{4} = (9-5) \pmod{4} = 4 \pmod{4} = 0$ .

Axiom 2 holds. ( $b = a$ )

A-B-C. Let  $a, b, c \in A$ . Assume " $a = b$ " and " $b = c$ ".

i.e.  $(a-b) \pmod{4} = 0$  and  $(b-c) \pmod{4} = 0$

let  $a = 7$ ,  $b = 11$ ,  $c = 19$ .

$(7-11) \pmod{4} = -4 \pmod{4} = 0$ ,  $(11-19) \pmod{4} = -8 \pmod{4} = 0$ .

Add;  $(7-11 + 11-19) \pmod{4}$

$= -12 \pmod{4}$

$= 0$ .

$\therefore 7 = 19$ ,  $a = c$ . Axiom 3 holds. Hence,  $" = "$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$ .



$$[5] = \{5, 9\}$$

$$[7] = \{7, 11, 19\}$$

$$[20] = \{20\}$$

iii) No. of elements =  $2^2 + 3^2 + 1$   
 $= 14$

iv)  $(5, 5)$   $(5, 9)$   $(9, 5)$   $(9, 9)$   
 $(7, 11)$   $(7, 7)$   $(7, 19)$   
 $(11, 7)$   $(11, 11)$   $(11, 19)$   
 $(19, 7)$   $(19, 11)$   $(19, 19)$   
 $(20, 20)$

Ques 5 Let  $A = \mathbb{Z}$ . Define  $=$  on  $A$ , where if  $a, b \in A$ , then  $a = b$  if  $7 \mid (a-b)$  (in  $\mathbb{Z}$ ).

i) Convince me this is an equivalence relationship.

ii) Find all equivalence classes of  $(A, =)$ .

iii) view  $=$  as a subset of  $A \times A$ . Is  $(3, 10) \in =$ ? Is  $(4, 12) \in =$ ?

Answer: i) check:

A-A. Let  $a \in A$ . Show " $a = a$ ".

$$a - a = 0 = 7 \times 0, \quad 0 \in \mathbb{Z}. \quad \text{Axiom 1 holds.}$$

A-B. Let  $a, b \in A$ . Assume " $a = b$ ". Show " $b = a$ ".

$$a - b = 7 \times k_1, \quad \text{for some } k_1 \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$x-1; \quad b - a = 7 \times (-k_1), \quad -k_1 \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Hence " $b = a$ ". Axiom 2 holds.

A-B-C. Let  $a, b, c \in A$ . Assume " $a = b$ " and " $b = c$ ". Show " $a = c$ ".

$$a - b = 7 \times k_1, \quad k_1 \in \mathbb{Z} \quad b - c = 7 \times k_2, \quad k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\text{Add; } a - b + b - c = 7k_1 + 7k_2$$

$$a - c = 7(k_1 + k_2), \quad k_1 + k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Hence " $a = c$ ". Axiom 3 holds.

$\therefore =$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$ .

ii)  $[0] = \{\dots, -14, -7, 0, 7, 14, 21, \dots\}$

$$[1] = \{\dots, -13, -6, 1, 8, 15, 22, \dots\}$$

$$[2] = \{\dots, -12, -5, 2, 9, 16, 23, \dots\}$$

$$[3] = \{\dots, -11, -4, 3, 10, 17, 24, \dots\}$$

$$[4] = \{\dots, -10, -3, 4, 11, 18, 25, \dots\}$$

$$[5] = \{\dots, -9, -2, 5, 12, 19, 26, \dots\}$$

$$[6] = \{\dots, -8, -1, 6, 13, 20, 27, \dots\}$$

iii)  $3 - 10 = -7 = 7 \times -1, \quad -1 \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\therefore (3, 10) \in =.$$

$$4 - 12 = -8 = 7 \times \frac{-8}{7}, \quad \frac{-8}{7} \notin \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\therefore (4, 12) \notin =.$$



Question 6: Let  $A = \{-1, 0, 1, 7, 10, 16, 19\}$ . Define " $=$ " on  $A$ , where if  $a, b \in A$ , then  $a = b$  if  $3 \mid (a-b)$  (in  $A$ ).

i) Convince me  $=$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$ .

ii) Find all equivalence classes of  $(A, =)$ .

iii) view " $=$ " as a subset of  $A \times A$ . How many elements does  $=$  have?

iv) Write down all elements of  $=$ .

Answer: i) Note: This is a finite set. Prove by example.

Check:

A-A. This axiom holds because for every element  $a$  in  $A$ ,  $a-a = 3 \times 0$ , and  $0 \in A$ .

A-B.  $\forall a, b \in A$ , if  $a = b$ , show  $b = a$ . Let  $a = 7$ ,  $b = 10$ ,

$$7-10 = -3 = 3 \times -1, -1 \in A.$$

$$x-1; 10-7 = 3 = 3 \times 1, 1 \in A.$$

$\therefore "b = a"$ . Axiom 2 holds.  $16 = 19$  is true as well.

A-B-C.  $\forall a, b, c \in A$ , if  $a = b$  and  $b = c$ , show  $a = c$ .

There are no elements in  $A$  for the first statement to be true. So by default, the second statement,  $a = c$  is true. Axiom 3 holds.

$\therefore =$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$ .

$$\text{ii) } [-1] = \{-1\}$$

$$[0] = \{0\}$$

$$[1] = \{1\}$$

$$[7] = \{7, 10\}$$

$$[16] = \{16, 19\}$$

$$\text{iii) No. of elements} = 1 + 1 + 1 + 2^2 + 2^2 \\ = 11$$

$$\text{iv) } (-1, -1) (0, 0) (1, 1)$$

$$(7, 10) (7, 7) (10, 7) (10, 10)$$

$$(16, 16) (16, 19) (19, 16) (19, 19)$$

Question 7: Let  $A = \{-1, 0, 1, 7, 10, 16, 19, 22\}$ . Define " $=$ " on  $A$ , where if  $a, b \in A$  then  $a = b$  if  $3 \mid (a-b)$  (in  $A$ ). Convince me this is not an equivalence relationship.

Answer: check.

Axioms 1 & 2 hold.

A-B-C. If  $a = b$  and  $b = c$  for some  $a, b, c \in A$ . Show  $a = c$ .

Let  $a = 16$ ,  $b = 19$ ,  $c = 22$ .

$$16-19 = -3 = 3 \times -1, -1 \in A.$$

$$19-22 = -3 = 3 \times -1, -1 \in A$$

$$\text{Add; } 16-19 + 19-22 = 3(-1) + 3(-1).$$

$$16-22 = 3 \times (-2), -2 \notin A.$$

Axiom 3 does not hold. " $a \neq c$ ".

$\therefore =$  is not an equivalence relationship.