

Equivalence class

Assume R be equivalence class over a nonempty set A and let $a \in A$, the set of all elements that related to a by R by equivalence class contain a and denoted by $[a]$ or A_a .

$$\text{i.e., } [a] = \{x \in A / (x, a) \in R\} \subseteq A$$

The set of all equivalence class be a quotient set and denoted by

A/R

$$\text{i.e., } A/R = \{[a] : a \in A\}$$

Ex:-

$$\text{Assume } A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \text{ and } R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (1, 3), (3, 1)\}$$

and R be an equivalence relation over A find A/R

Sol:-

$$[a] = \{x \in A / (x, a) \in R\}$$

$$A/R = \{[a] : a \in A\}$$

$$[1] = \{x \in A / (x, 1) \in R\} = \{1, 3\}$$

$$[2] = \{x \in A / (x, 2) \in R\} = \{2\}$$

$$[3] = \{x \in A / (x, 3) \in R\} = \{3, 1\} = [1]$$

$$[4] = \{x \in A / (x, 4) \in R\} = \{4\}$$

$$A/R = \{[1], [2], [4]\}$$

$$\text{since } [1] = [3]$$

Remark:-

$$\text{we note that } [1] \cup [2] \cup [4] = A$$

$$\{1, 3\} \cup \{2\} \cup \{4\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} = A$$

Ex:-

Assume \mathbb{Z} be a set of integer numbers and R be a set over \mathbb{Z}

defined by $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / x - y \text{ divisible by } 3\}$

Find \mathbb{Z}/R

Sol:-

$$[0] = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} / (x, 0) \in R\} \text{ s.t } R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / x - y \text{ divisible by } 3\}$$

$$\{-9, -6, -3, 0, 3, 6, 9, \dots\}$$

$$[1] = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} / (x, 1) \in R\} \text{ s.t } R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / x - 1 \text{ divisible by } 3\}$$

$$\{-8, -5, 1, 4, 7, 10, \dots\}$$

$$[2] = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} / (x, 2) \in R\} \text{ s.t } R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / x - 2 \text{ divisible by } 3\}$$

$$\{-7, -4, -1, 2, 5, 8, 11, 14, \dots\}$$

$$[3] = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} / (x, 3) \in R\} \text{ s.t } R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / x - 3 \text{ divisible by } 3\}$$

$$\{-6, -3, 0, 3, 6, 9, \dots\}$$

$$[4] = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} / (x, 4) \in R\} \text{ s.t } R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / x - 4 \text{ divisible by } 3\}$$

$$\{-5, -2, 1, 4, 7, \dots\}$$

$$[3] = [0], [4] = [1] \Rightarrow [5] = [2]$$

$$[6] = [5] = [0], [7] = [1] \dots$$

$$\mathbb{Z}/R = \{[0], [1], [2]\}$$

Theorem :-

Assume R be a relation over A then, R is asymmetric relation
iff $R = R^{-1}$

Proof :- \Leftrightarrow ,

Assume R be asymmetric

To proof that $R = R^{-1}$, we must proof that $R \subseteq R^{-1}$
and $R^{-1} \subseteq R$

Now, we must proof that $R \subseteq R^{-1}$

let $(x, y) \in R$

Since R is asymmetric relation then $(y, x) \notin R$

then $(x, y) \in R^{-1}$

so $R \subseteq R^{-1} \dots \textcircled{1}$

Now, we must proof that $R^{-1} \subseteq R$

let $(x, y) \in R^{-1}$

then $(y, x) \in R$

since R is asymmetric relation

So $(x, y) \in R$

that is $R^{-1} \subseteq R \dots \textcircled{2}$

From (1) and (2), we get $R = R^{-1}$

(\Leftarrow)

Assume $R = R^{-1}$ and we must proof that R is a symmetric relation

let $x, y \in A$ s.t. $(x, y) \in R$

Since $R = R^{-1}$ then $(x, y) \in R^{-1}$ then $(y, x) \in R$

So that R be a symmetric relation

Properties of equivalence classes

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Theorems -

Assume R be an equivalence relation over A and

let $a, b \in A$ then :-

① $a \in [a]$

② If $b \in [a]$ then $[a] = [b]$

③ $[a] = [b]$ iff $(a, b) \in R$

Proof -

① From the definition of equivalence relation

$[a] = \{x \in A / (x, a) \in R\}$

Since R be an equivalence relation

then R be a reflexive relation

So that $a \in A$ then $(a, a) \in R$, that is $a \in [a]$

2) To proof that $[a] = [b]$

We must proof that $[a] \subseteq [b]$ and $[b] \subseteq [a]$

let $x \in [a] \rightarrow (x, a) \in R$

Since $b \in [a] \rightarrow (b, a) \in R$

$(x, a) \in R \wedge (b, a) \in R$

Since R is an equivalence relation

then R is a symmetric relation

then $(x, a) \in R \wedge (a, b) \in R$

Since R be a transitive relation

then $(x, b) \in R \rightarrow x \in [b]$

then $[a] \subseteq [b] \dots \textcircled{1}$

Now, To proof that $[b] \subseteq [a]$

Let $x \in [b] \rightarrow (x, b) \in R$

Since $b \in [a] \rightarrow (b, a) \in R$

We get $(x, b) \in R \wedge (b, a) \in R$

Since R is an equivalence relation

R is a transitive relation

then $(n, a) \in R$

then $x \in [a]$

s. that $[b] = [a] \dots \text{Q.E.D}$

From (1) and (2), we get $[a] = [b]$

3) Assume $[a] = [b]$

To prove that $(a, b) \in R$.

Since $a \in [a]$ and $[a] = [b]$ then $a \in [b]$

$(a, b) \in R$

Conversely:-

Assume $(a, b) \in R$

Now, To prove that $[a] = [b]$

then $(a, b) \in R$ then $a \in [b]$

From (2), we get $[a] = [b]$.

The partition

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Assume $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a nonempty family of a set A iff

$\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a partition of the set A if it is satisfies

the following conditions:-

$$\textcircled{1} A = \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \quad \textcircled{2} A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset \text{ if } i \neq j$$

Ex:-

let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ Determine whether the following relations

be a family of sets which it is a partition of the set

A or not?

$$\textcircled{1} R = \{\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}\}$$

$$\textcircled{2} S = \{\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}\}$$

Sol:-

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ Assume } A_1 = \{1, 2\}, A_2 = \{2, 3\}$$

$$A_1 \cup A_2 = A$$

$$A_1 \cap A_2 = \{2\} \neq \emptyset$$

$\therefore R$ isn't a partition of A

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ Assume } A_1 = \{1\}, A_2 = \{2\}, A_3 = \{3\}$$

$$\text{then } \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 = A$$

$$A_1 \cap A_2 = \emptyset \text{ and } A_1 \cap A_3 = \emptyset \text{ and } A_2 \cap A_3 = \emptyset$$

Then S is a partition of A .

"partial ordered relation"

$\xrightarrow{\text{if } x \in S_i}$ $x \in S_j$

Assume R be an equivalence relation over A , we said that R be a partial ordered relation if it satisfies the following conditions:-

- 1) R is a reflexive
- 2) R is an anti-symmetric relation
- 3) R is an transitive relation

Ex:-

Assume I be a set of integer numbers. Let R_i s.t $i=1, 2$

$$R_1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / x \leq y\}$$

$R_2 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / x - y \text{ divisible by } 2\}$. Is R_1 and R_2 be partial order sets.

Sols:-

$$* R_1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / x \leq y\}$$

1) Assume $x \in \mathbb{Z}$, since $x \leq x$ then $(x, x) \in R$

then R_1 a reflexive relation

2) Assume $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t $(x, y) \in R_1 \wedge (y, x) \in R_1$

since $(x, y) \in R_1 \rightarrow x \leq y \quad \dots \textcircled{1}$

since $(y, x) \in R_1 \rightarrow y \leq x \quad \dots \textcircled{2}$

From (1) and (2), we get $x = y$

③ Assume $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t $(x, y) \in R_1 \wedge (y, z) \in R_1$,

Since $(x, y) \in R_1 \rightarrow x \leq y \dots \textcircled{1}$

Since $(y, z) \in R_1 \rightarrow y \leq z \dots \textcircled{2}$

From (1) and (2), we have $x \leq z$ then $(x, z) \in R_1$

then R_1 is an transitive relation

that is, R_1 is a reflexive, anti-symmetric, and transitive

thus, R_1 is a partial ordered set

$$*R_2 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / x - y \text{ divisible by } 2\}$$

R_2 isn't anti-symmetric relation

since $(8, 4) \in R_2 : 8 - 4 = 4 \text{ divisible by } 2$

since $(4, 8) \in R_2 : 4 - 8 = -4 \text{ divisible by } 2$

but $8 \neq 4$

that is, R_2 isn't anti-symmetric relation

thus, R_2 isn't partial ordered set

3) Assume $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t $(x, y) \in R_1 \wedge (y, z) \in R_1$

Since $(x, y) \in R_1 \rightarrow x \leq y \dots \textcircled{1}$

Since $(y, z) \in R_1 \rightarrow y \leq z \dots \textcircled{2}$

From (1) and (2), we have $x \leq z$ then $(x, z) \in R_1$

then R_1 is an transitive relation

that is, R_1 is a reflexive, anti-symmetric, and transitive

thus, R_1 is a partial ordered set

$$R_2 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / x - y \text{ divisible by } 2\}$$

R_2 isn't anti-symmetric relation

since $(8, 4) \in R_2; 8 - 4 = 4$ divisible by 2

since $(4, 8) \in R_2; 4 - 8 = -4$ divisible by 2

but $8 \neq 4$

that is, R_2 isn't anti-symmetric relation

thus, R_2 isn't partial ordered set