Discrete Mathematics (Relations)

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Are these functions?

Problem

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 - rational p = rational q
 - -m < n
 - d does not divide n
 - $-\ n$ leaves a remainder of 5 when divided by d
 - line ℓ_1 is parallel to line ℓ_2
 - person \boldsymbol{a} is a parent of person \boldsymbol{b}
 - triangle t_1 is congruent to triangle t_2
 - edge e_1 is adjacent to edge e_2
 - matrix A is orthogonal to matrix B
 - No! (Because an input is mapped to more than one output.)
- What are these mappings called? Relations!

Functions vs. relations



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Definition

- If A and B are sets, then a binary relation from A to B is a subset of $A \times B$.
- We say that x is related to y by R, written x R y, if, and only if, $(x, y) \in R$. Denoted as $x R y \Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in R$.

Relationship

• Set of all functions is a proper subset of the set of all relations.

Example: Marriage relation



Example: Less than

Problem

• A relation $L : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ as follows.

For all real numbers x and y, $(x, y) \in L \Leftrightarrow x L y \Leftrightarrow x < y$. Draw the graph of L as a subset of the Cartesian plane $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$.

- $L = \{(-10.678, 30.23), (17.13, 45.98), (100/9, 200), \ldots\}$
- Graph:



- Define a relation $C : \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z}$ as follows. For all $(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$, $m C n \Leftrightarrow m - n$ is even.
- Prove that if n is any odd integer, then n C 1.

Solution

•
$$A = \{(2, 4), (56, 10), (-88, -64), \ldots\}$$

 $B = \{(7, 7), (57, 11), (-87, -63), \ldots\}$
 $C = A \cup B$

• Proof. $(n, 1) \in C \Leftrightarrow n C \ 1 \Leftrightarrow n - 1$ is even Suppose n is odd i.e., n = 2k + 1 for some integer k. This implies that n - 1 = 2k is even.

Example: Congruence modulo 2



Inverse of a relation



Definition



Example: Inverse of a finite relation

Problem

• Let
$$A = \{2, 3, 4\}$$
 and $B = \{2, 6, 8\}$.
Let $R : A$ to B . For all $(a, b) \in A \times B$, $a \mathrel{R} b \Leftrightarrow a \mid b$

• Determine R and R^{-1} . Draw arrow diagrams for both. Describe R^{-1} in words.



Example: Inverse of an infinite relation

Problem

- Define a relation R from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R} as follows: For all $(u, v) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$, $u \ R \ v \Leftrightarrow v = 2|u|$.
- Draw the graphs of R and R^{-1} in the Cartesian plane. Is R^{-1} a function?



Definition

- A relation on a set A is a relation from A to A.
- The resulting arrow diagram is a directed graph possibly containing loops

Example: Relation on a set



Reflexivity, symmetry, and transitivity

Properties • Set $A = \{2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9\}$ Relation R on set A is: $\forall x, y \in A, x R y \Leftrightarrow 3 \mid (x - y)$ • Reflexivity. $\forall x \in A, (x, x) \in R$.

• Symmetry. $\forall x, y \in A$, if $(x, y) \in R$, then $(y, x) \in R$.

• Transitivity.

 $\forall x, y, z \in A$, if $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in R$, then $(x, z) \in R$.

Example

Problem

•
$$A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}.$$

 $R = \{(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 3), (1, 0), (1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 0), (3, 3)\}.$
Is R reflexive, symmetric, and transitive?

Solution



• Reflexive. $\forall x \in A, (x, x) \in R$.

- Symmetric. $\forall x, y \in A$, if $(x, y) \in R$, then $(y, x) \in R$.
- Not transitive. e.g.: $(1,0), (0,3) \in R$ but $(1,3) \notin R$. $\exists x, y, z \in A$, if $(x,y) \in R$ and $(y,z) \in R$, then $(x,z) \notin R$.

Example



Example



Definition

- Relation *R* on set *A* is an equivalence relation iff *R* is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.
- Equivalence class of element a, denoted by [a], for an equivalence relation is defined as:

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

• Suppose R is a relation on \mathbb{R} such that $x R y \Leftrightarrow x < y$. Is R an equivalence relation?

- Not reflexive. e.g.: $0 \neq 0$. $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq x$.
- Not symmetric. e.g.: 0 < 1 but $1 \not< 0$. $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, if x < y, then $y \not< x$.
- Transitive. $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$, if x < y and y < z, then x < z. So, R is not an equivalence relation.

Example: Equality (or Identity relation)

Problem

• Suppose R is a relation on \mathbb{R} such that $x R y \Leftrightarrow x = y$. Is R an equivalence relation?

Solution

- Reflexive. $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x = x$.
- Symmetric. $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, if x = y, then y = x.
- Transitive. $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$, if x = y and y = z, then x = z.
- So, R is an equivalence relation.

Equivalence classes: $[a] = \{a\}.$

Example: Partition

Problem

- Suppose R is a partition relation on A such that $\forall x, y \in A, x \ R \ y \Leftrightarrow x, y \in A_i$ for some subset A_i .
- $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$. Partition of A is $\{\{0, 3, 4\}, \{1\}, \{2\}\}$. Is R an equivalence relation?



- R is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.
- So, R is an equivalence relation.
- Equivalence classes: $[0] = \{0, 3, 4\}, [1] = \{1\}$, and $[2] = \{2\}$.

• Suppose R is a partition relation on A such that $\forall x, y \in A, x \ R \ y \Leftrightarrow x, y \in A_i$ for some subset A_i . Is R an equivalence relation?

Solution

- Reflexive. $\forall m \in A$, $(m,m) \in R$.
- Symmetric. $\forall m, n \in A$, if $(m, n) \in R$, then $(n, m) \in R$.
- Transitive.

 $\forall m,n,p\in A, \text{ if } (m,n)\in R \text{ and } (n,p)\in R \text{, then } (m,p)\in R.$ So, R is an equivalence relation.

Example: Least element

Problem

• Let X denote the power set of $\{1, 2, 3\}$. Suppose R is a relation on X such that $\forall A, B \in X$ $A \ R \ B \Leftrightarrow$ Least element of A is same as that of B. Is R an equivalence relation?



- R is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.
- So, R is an equivalence relation.
- Equivalence classes: $[\{1\}],\,[\{2\}],$ and $[\{3\}].$

• Suppose R is a relation on \mathbb{Z} such that $m R n \Leftrightarrow 3 \mid (m - n)$. Is R an equivalence relation?

Solution

- Reflexive. $\forall m \in A, 3 \mid (m-m)$.
- Symmetric. $\forall m, n \in A$, if $3 \mid (m n)$, then $3 \mid (n m)$.
- Transitive.

 $\forall m,n,p \in A \text{, if } 3 \mid (m-n) \text{ and } 3 \mid (n-p) \text{, then } 3 \mid (m-p).$ So, R is an equivalence relation.

Solution

• Equivalence classes.

Three distinct equivalence classes are [0], [1], and [2]. [0] = $\{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid a \equiv 0 \pmod{3}\} = \{0, \pm 3, \pm 6, \pm 9, \ldots\}$ [1] = $\{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid a \equiv 1 \pmod{3}\} = \{1, 1 \pm 3, 1 \pm 6, 1 \pm 9, \ldots\}$ [2] = $\{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid a \equiv 2 \pmod{3}\} = \{2, 2 \pm 3, 2 \pm 6, 2 \pm 9, \ldots\}$

Intuition.

[0] = Set of integers when divided by 3 leave a remainder of 0. [1] = Set of integers when divided by 3 leave a remainder of 1. [2] = Set of integers when divided by 3 leave a remainder of 2.



• Suppose R is a relation on \mathbb{Z} such that $a \ R \ b \Leftrightarrow a \equiv b \pmod{n}$.

Is R an equivalence relation?

Solution

- Reflexive. $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}, a \equiv a \pmod{n}$.
- Symmetric.

 $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, if $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$, then $b \equiv a \pmod{n}$.

• Transitive.

 $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$, if $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ and $b \equiv c \pmod{n}$, then $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$.

So, \boldsymbol{R} is an equivalence relation.

Equivalence classes: $[0], [1], \ldots, [n-1].$

- *R* is Reflexive. Show that $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}, n \mid (a a)$. We know that a a = 0 and $n \mid 0$. Hence, $n \mid (a a)$.
- *R* is Symmetric. Show that $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, if $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$, then $b \equiv a \pmod{n}$. We see that $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ means $n \mid (a b)$. Let (a - b) = nk, for some integer *k*. $\implies -(a - b) = -nk$ (multiply both sides by -1) $\implies (b - a) = n(-k)$ (simplify) $\implies n \mid (b - a)$ (-*k* is an integer; use defn. of divisibility) In other words, $b \equiv a \pmod{n}$.

- *R* is transitive. Show that ∀a, b, c ∈ Z, if a ≡ b (mod n) and b ≡ c (mod n), then a ≡ c (mod n).
 We see that a ≡ b (mod n) and b ≡ c (mod n) imply that n | (a b) and n | (b c), respectively.
 Let (a b) = nk and (b c) = nl, for some integers k and l.
 Adding the two equations, we get (a c) = (k + l)n, where k + l is an integer because addition is closed on integers.
 - By definition of divisibility, $n \mid (a c)$ or $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$.



• What is the units digit of 1483⁸⁶⁵⁰?

Solution

- Units digit of 1483^{8650} is the units digit of $3^{8650}.$
- $\bullet~$ Units digit of $3^0, 3^1, 3^2, 3^3\text{, and}~3^4$ are

1,3,9,7, and 1, respectively.

- Periodicity is 4. Therefore,
- Units digit of 3^{4k+0} is 1. Units digit of 3^{4k+1} is 3. Units digit of 3^{4k+2} is 9. Units digit of 3^{4k+3} is 7.
- Units digit of $3^{8650} = 3^{4 \times 2162 + 2}$ is 9.
- Hence, the answer is 9.

• Use modular arithmetic to solve the equations.

16x + 12y = 32 and 40x - 9y = 7.

Solution

Apply mod 3 on both sides of the first equation. (16x + 12y) mod 3 ≡ 32 mod 3 ⇒ x ≡ 2 mod 3
Similarly, apply mod 3 on both sides of the second equation. (40x - 9y) mod 3 ≡ 7 mod 3 ⇒ x ≡ 1 mod 3
These two congruences are contradictory.

Hence, the system of equations does not have a solution.

- Check digits are used to reduce errors universal product codes, tracking operations for shipping operations, book identification numbers (ISBNs), vehicle numbers, ID for the healthcare industry, etc.
- UPC is a 12-digit number, where the last digit is the check digit.
- Suppose the first 11 digits of the UPC are *a*₁*a*₂*a*₃*a*₄*a*₅*a*₆*a*₇*a*₈*a*₉*a*₁₀*a*₁₁. Then the check digit can be computed using the following formula

 $a_{12} = (210 - k) \mod 10$, where

$$k = 3(a_1 + a_3 + \dots + a_{11}) + (a_2 + a_4 + \dots + a_{10})$$

• The first eleven digits of the UPC for a package of ink cartridges are 88442334010. What is the check digit?

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$$k = 3(8 + 4 + 2 + 3 + 0 + 0) + (8 + 4 + 3 + 4 + 1) = 71$$

check digit = $(210 - 71) \mod 10 = 9$