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A partition of sets is a collection of subsets that need not to cover the whole set.

In a partition no element belong to more than 1 subset, and every belong to a subset.

A relation is always on a set.

Equivalence Relation: Binary relation which is reflexive, transitive and symmetric and it has direct relation to Cartesian product.

Eg. {5, 7, 35}

Here, 5 is related to 35, 7 is related to 35 but 5 **is not** related to 7.

Therefore, it is not transitive and so it cannot be called an equivalence relation.

Equivalence Relation Partition:

A partition of a set is a collection of disjoint subsets of a set, such that their union is the whole set.

$$A = \bigcup_{i=1}^t A_i \quad \text{and}$$

$$1 \leq i < j \leq t; \quad A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$$

Example -

$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$

$A_1 = \{1, 3, 5\}$

$A_2 = \{2, 4, 7\}$

$A_3 = \{6\}$

$A_4 = \{8\}$

$R = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (4,4), (5,5), (6,6), (7,7), (8,8), (1,3), (3,1), (1,5), (5,1), (3,5), (5,3), (2,4), (4,2), (4,7), (7,4), (2,7), (7,2)\}$

-> Relation is Reflexive, Symmetric and Transitive

Theorem: Every partition of a set is associated uniquely with an equivalence relation on that set and vice versa

### Partial Order Relation:

A partial order is a reflexive, transitive and anti symmetric relation on a set.

Eg:

