

Math 323 HW16

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Problem 10.14: Consider the relation on \mathbb{Z} given by $a \simeq b$ if and only if $a - b$ is divisible by 7.

(a) Prove that this is an equivalence relation.

Proof. We will need to prove 3 properties of equivalence relation.

1. \simeq is reflexive.

Assume $z \in \mathbb{Z}$. We want to show $a \simeq a$. In other words, we need to show $a - a$ is divisible by 7. But $a - a = 0$ and $0 = 0 \cdot 7$. So $a - a$ is divisible by 7. Thus \simeq is reflexive.

2. \simeq is symmetric.

We want to show: If $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $a \simeq b$, then $b \simeq a$.

Assume $a \simeq b$. So $a - b$ is divisible by 7. So then $\exists q \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $a - b = 7q$. Since $a - b = 7q$, $b - a = -7q$. Since $q \in \mathbb{Z}$, $(-q) \in \mathbb{Z}$. So then $b - a$ is divisible by 7. Thus \simeq is symmetric.

3. \simeq is transitive.

We want to show: If a, b , and $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $a \simeq b$ and $b \simeq c$, then $a \simeq c$.

Assume a, b , and $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $a \simeq b$ and $b \simeq c$. Respectively this means

$$\exists q_1 \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t. } a - b = 7q_1$$

$$\exists q_2 \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t. } b - c = 7q_2$$

Consider $(a - b) + (b - c)$.

$$a - b + b - c = 7q_1 + 7q_2$$

$$a - c = 7q_1 + 7q_2$$

$$a - c = 7(q_1 + q_2)$$

Since q_1 and $q_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$, $q_1 + q_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$. So then $a - c$ is divisible by 7 and thus $a \simeq c$. \simeq is transitive.

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(b) Describe $[3]$ for this relation.

Solution. $[3] = \{\dots, 23, 17, 10, 3, -4, -11, -19, \dots\}$

(c) Find \mathbb{Z}/\simeq .

Solution. $\mathbb{Z}/\simeq = \{[0], [1], [2], [3], [4], [5], [6]\}$.

(d) Prove that an addition on \mathbb{Z}/\simeq defined by $[n] + [m] = [n + m]$ is well defined.

Proof. Assume $n, m, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ so that $[n] = [a]$ and $[m] = [b]$. We want to show: $[n] + [m] = [a] + [b]$. Since $[n] = [a]$ and $[m] = [b]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \exists k_1 \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t } n &= 7k_1 + a \\ \exists k_2 \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t } m &= 7k_2 + b \\ n + m &= 7k_1 + a + 7k_2 + b \\ n + m &= 7(k_1 + k_2) + (a + b) \\ (n + m) - (a + b) &= 7(k_1 + k_2) \\ (n + m) &\simeq (a + b) \text{ since } k_1 + k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}. \\ [n + m] &= [a + b] \end{aligned}$$

But we defined $[n] + [m] = [n + m]$ and $[n + m] = [a + b] = [a] + [b]$. Thus $[n] + [m] = [a] + [b]$. \square

Problem 10.16: Let $S = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{N}$. Define a relation on S by $(n, m) \equiv (p, q)$ if $nq = mp$.

(a) Prove that this is an equivalence relation.

Proof. We need to prove 3 properties.

i. \equiv is reflexive.

Assume $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $m \in \mathbb{N}$. We want to show that $(n, m) \equiv (n, m)$. Since $nm = mn$ in \mathbb{Z} by commutativity, $(n, m) \equiv (n, m)$.

ii. \equiv is symmetric.

Assume $m, p \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $n, q \in \mathbb{N}$. We want to show that: If $(m, n) \equiv (p, q)$, then $(p, q) \equiv (m, n)$.

Assume $(m, n) \equiv (p, q)$. Then $mq = np$ in \mathbb{Z} . By commutativity in \mathbb{Z} , $pn = qm$ in \mathbb{Z} . This means $(p, q) \equiv (m, n)$.

iii. \equiv is transitive.

Assume $m, n, p \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $q, r, s \in \mathbb{N}$. We want to show that: If $(m, q) \equiv (n, r)$ and $(n, r) \equiv (p, s)$, then $(m, q) \equiv (p, s)$.

Assume $(m, q) \equiv (n, r)$ and $(n, r) \equiv (p, s)$. Respectively these means

$$\begin{aligned} mr &= qn \text{ in } \mathbb{Z} \\ ns &= rp \text{ in } \mathbb{Z} \end{aligned}$$

Consider $mr = qn$.

$$mrs = qns \text{ since we know } s \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$mrs = qrp \text{ because } ns = rp$$

$$ms = qp \text{ since we know } r \in \mathbb{N}$$

This means $(m, q) \equiv (p, s)$.

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- (b) The set S/\equiv has a much better and more familiar name, what is it?

Answer. Equivalence of two fractions.

- (c) Define an addition on S/\equiv by $(n, m) \oplus (p, q) = (nq + mp, mq)$. Prove it is well defined.

Proof. Let $n, p, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $m, q, c, d \in \mathbb{N}$ so that $(n, m) = (a, c)$ and $(p, q) = (b, d)$. We want to show that $(n, m) \oplus (p, q) = (a, c) \oplus (b, d)$. Since $(n, m) = (a, c)$, $nc = ma$ in \mathbb{Z} . Since $(p, q) = (b, d)$, $pd = qb$ in \mathbb{Z} . Consider

$$nc = ma$$

$$ncd = mad \text{ since } d \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$ncdq = madq \text{ since } q \in \mathbb{N}$$

And

$$pd = qb$$

$$mpd = mqb \text{ since } m \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$cmpd = cmqp \text{ since } c \in \mathbb{N}$$

Now consider

$$ncdq + cmpd = madq + cmqp$$

$$nqcd + mpcd = mqad + mqcp$$

$$(nq + mp)cd = mq(ad + bc)$$

$$(nq + mp, mq) = (ad + bc, cd)$$

$$(n, m) \oplus (p, q) = (a, c) \oplus (b, d).$$

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- (d) We cannot define an addition on S/\equiv by $(n, m) \boxplus (p, q) = (n+p, m+q)$. Why not? (In the book it was $(m+p, m+q)$ but I believe it's a typo)

Answer. Because the operation is not well defined. (Do I really need to prove this?)

Proof. Assume BWOC, the addition operation on S/\equiv by $(n, m) \boxplus (p, q) = (n + p, m + q)$ is well defined. Mathematically speaking, if $(n, m) = (a, b)$ and $(p, q) = (c, d)$, then $(n, m) \boxplus (p, q) = (a, b) \boxplus (c, d)$. We know these:

- Since $(n, m) = (a, b)$, $nb = ma$ in \mathbb{Z} . So then $n = \frac{ma}{b}$ in \mathbb{Q} because $b \in \mathbb{N}$.
- Since $(p, q) = (c, d)$, $pd = qc$ in \mathbb{Z} . So then $p = \frac{qc}{d}$ in \mathbb{Q} because $d \in \mathbb{N}$.
- We also have $(n, m) \boxplus (p, q) = (a, b) \boxplus (c, d)$. This means $(n + p, m + q) = (a + c, b + d)$. So $(n + p)(b + d) = (m + q)(a + c)$. So $(n + p)(b + d) = (m + q)(a + c)$.

Now, consider $(n + p)(b + d) = (m + q)(a + c)$

$$\begin{aligned} (n + p)(b + d) &= (m + q)(a + c) \\ \left(\frac{ma}{b} + \frac{qc}{d}\right)(b + d) &= (m + q)(a + c) \\ ma + \frac{qc}{d}b + \frac{ma}{b}d + qc &= ma + qa + mc + qc \\ \frac{qc}{d}b + \frac{ma}{b}d &= qa + mc \text{ in } \mathbb{Q} \\ \frac{qb}{d}c + \frac{md}{b}a &= mc + qa \text{ in } \mathbb{Q} \\ c\left(\frac{qb}{d} - m\right) &= a\left(q - \frac{md}{b}\right) \end{aligned}$$

And now I'm stuck. :(

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Problem 10.19: Consider the set $S = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$ and the relation $\mathcal{R} \subseteq S \times S$ given by.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R} = \{ & (a, a), (a, b), (a, d), (b, a), (b, b), (b, d), (c, c), \\ & (c, f), (d, a), (d, b), (d, d), (e, e), (f, c), (f, f) \} \end{aligned}$$

As it happens \mathcal{R} is an equivalence relation on S . Find S/\mathcal{R} .

Solution. We observe $[a] = [b] = [d]$, $[c] = [f]$, and $[e]$ stands alone. So $S/\mathcal{R} = \{[a], [e], [c]\}$

Problem 11.2: Let $A = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$. Define a function $f : A \rightarrow A$ using a table of values:

x	$f(x)$
a	b
b	b
c	d
d	c
e	e

Define a function $g : A \rightarrow A$ and using a table of values:

x	$g(x)$
a	b
b	c
c	d
d	e
e	a

- (a) Is either $f(x)$ or $g(x)$ injective? $f(x)$ is not injective but $g(x)$ is injective.
- (b) Is either $f(x)$ or $g(x)$ surjective? $f(x)$ is not surjective but $g(x)$ is surjective.
- (c) Find a table for $(f \circ g)(x)$.

x	$(f \circ g)(x)$
a	b
b	b
c	d
d	c
e	e

- (d) Find a table for $(f \circ f)(x)$.

x	$(f \circ f)(x)$
a	b
b	b
c	d
d	c
e	e

Problem 11.3: Consider the functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = x^{-1}$, and $g : \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ given by $g(x) = x^{-1}$.

- (a) Prove $f(x)$ is injective.

Proof. We want to prove: Let $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, if $f(a_1) = f(a_2)$, then $a_1 = a_2$.

We need to consider 2 cases:

1. $a_1 = 0$ and $a_2 = 0$. Then $a_1 = a_2 = 0$ and the conditional statement is true by default.
2. Assume $a_1 \neq 0$, $a_2 \neq 0$ and $f(a_1) = f(a_2)$. So $a_1^{-1} = a_2^{-1}$. So then $\frac{1}{a_1} = \frac{1}{a_2}$. Since both $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, $a_1 = a_2$.

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- (b) Prove $g(x)$ is injective.

Proof. We want to prove: if $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R} \setminus 0$

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(c) Prove $f(x)$ is not surjective.

Proof. We just need to pick at least one $b \in \mathbb{R}$ so that $\nexists a \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t $b = f(a)$. Let $b = 0$ and have found it. \square

(d) Prove $g(x)$ is surjective.

Proof. We want to show: if $b \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$, then $\exists a \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ s.t $g(a) = b$. Assume $b \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$. Then $\frac{1}{b} \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$. Let $a = \frac{1}{b}$ so $a \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ and we are done. \square

(e) Carefully evaluate the two functions $(f \circ f)(x)$ and $(g \circ g)(x)$. Be completely precise about these 2 results.

Solution.

- i. $(f \circ f)(x) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. $(f \circ f)(x) = f(f(x)) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x}}$
- ii. $(g \circ g)(x) : \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$. $(g \circ g)(x) = g(g(x)) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x}} = x$.