

Math 341 Homework 9

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1 Practice problems

2 Problem 9.1

Give 3 examples of nonequivalence relations

1. Let $S = Z$ and $R(x, y) = "x < y"$. This is not an equivalence relation because it is not symmetric, because $x < y$ does not imply $x > y$.
2. Let $S = Z$ and $R(x, y) = "x > y"$. This is not an equivalence relation because it is not symmetric, because $x > y$ does not imply $x < y$.
3. Let $S = Z$ and $R(x, y) = "x$ is a child of $y"$. This is not an equivalence relation because it is not reflexive, because if $x = \text{me}$, I am not a child of myself.

3 Problem 9.8

Find $6^{2020} + 8^{2019} \pmod{7}$.

Since $6 \equiv -1 \pmod{7}$ and $8 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$: $6^{2020} + 8^{2019} \equiv -1^{2020} + 1^{2019} \pmod{7}$. And since 2020 is even, $-1^{2020} = 1$. And obviously, $1^{2019} = 1$. So $6^{2020} + 8^{2019} \equiv 1 + 1 = 2 \pmod{7}$.