

## Homework 6

### CMPSC 360

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**Question 1:** Suppose  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $4 \nmid (a^2 + b^2)$ , then  $a$  and  $b$  are not both odd.

Proof: Suppose  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

For sake of contradiction, assume that  $a$  and  $b$  are both odd.

By definition of odd,  $a = 2x + 1$  and  $b = 2y + 1$  such that  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$

By definition of divides,  $a^2 + b^2 = 4z$  such that  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 &= (2x + 1)^2 + (2y + 1)^2 = 4z \\ &= 4x^2 + 4x + 1 + 4y^2 + 4y + 1 = 4z \\ &= 4x^2 + 4x + 4y^2 + 4y + 2 = 4z \\ &= 4t + 2 \text{ such that } t \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ where } t = x^2 + x + y^2 + y \end{aligned}$$

So,  $4t + 2 \neq 4z$ , which means  $a^2 + b^2 \neq 4z$

We have arrived at a contradiction, where  $a^2 + b^2 = 4z$  and  $a^2 + b^2 \neq 4z$  when  $a$  and  $b$  are odd

Therefore, by sake of proof by contradiction, if  $4 \nmid (a^2 + b^2)$ , then  $a$  and  $b$  are not both odd.  $\square$

**Question 2:** Show that  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, \gcd(a, b) = b \leftrightarrow b \mid a$ .

Proof:

Suppose  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$

**Case 1:**  $\gcd(a, b) = b \rightarrow b \mid a$

By definition,  $\gcd(a, b) = b$  means that  $b \mid b$  and  $b \mid a$  where  $b \neq 0$

Therefore,  $\gcd(a, b) = b \rightarrow b \mid a$

**Case 2:**  $b \mid a \rightarrow \gcd(a, b) = b$

Suppose  $b \mid a$

We also know that  $b \mid b$

By definition of  $\gcd$  and since  $b \mid a$  and  $b \mid b$ , we can say that  $\gcd(a, b) = b$ .

Therefore,  $b \mid a \rightarrow \gcd(a, b) = b$

Therefore,  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, \gcd(a, b) = b \leftrightarrow b \mid a$   $\square$

**Question 3:** Is  $\mathbb{R} = \{(x, y) \mid (x - y) \text{ is divisible by } 17\}$  an equivalence relation?

Proof: Assume that  $\mathbb{R} = \{(x, y) \mid (x - y) \text{ is divisible by } 17\}$

This means that  $17 \mid (x - y)$

By definition of divides  $x - y = 17a$  such that  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$

For a statement to be an equivalence relation, it must be reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

**Case 1:** reflexive

Assume  $(x, x)$

so  $x - y = 17a$  goes to  $x - x = 17a$

This means that  $0 = 17a$ , for which this is a valid statement since  $17 \mid 0$

So  $\forall x \exists y \ y = x$  is true and  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}$

Therefore,  $\mathbb{R}$  is reflexive

**Case 2:** Symmetric

Suppose  $x - y = 17a$  for some  $(x, y)$

To prove symmetry, take the case  $(y, x)$

So,  $y - x = 17b$  such that  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$

Since this can simplify down to  $-(x - y) = 17b$ , we know that  $b = -a$

Thus,  $17 \mid (y - x)$  which means that  $(y, x) \in \mathbb{R}$

Therefore,  $\mathbb{R}$  is symmetric

**Case 3:** Transitive

Proof for transitivity:  $\exists a, b, c \ (a, b), (b, c) \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (a, c) \in \mathbb{R}$

Suppose  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$

We can say that  $17 \mid (a - b)$  and  $17 \mid (b - c)$

By definition of divides,  $a - b = 17p$  and  $b - c = 17q$  such that  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$

By algebra,  $a = 17p + b$  and  $c = b - 17q$

So for  $(a, c)$ , we get  $17 \mid (a - c)$

Substituting  $a$  and  $c$ ,  $17 \mid [(17p + b) - (b - 17q)]$

$$= 17 \mid (17p + b - b + 17q)$$

$$= 17 \mid (17p + 17q)$$

$$= 17 \mid [17(p + q)]$$

$$= 17 \mid 17t \text{ such that } t \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ where } t = p + q$$

So, by definition of divides, we know that this is divisible by 17.

Therefore,  $\mathbb{R}$  is transitive

Since  $\mathbb{R}$  is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive, it is an equivalence relation.  $\square$

**Question 4:** Suppose Neverland country (which is a fictional one), contains  $N$  cities. We define relation  $\mathbb{R}$  as follows: If there is a route between two cities  $(c_i, c_j)$  for  $1 \leq i, j \leq N$ , then we have  $(c_i, c_j) \in \mathbb{R}$ . We also assume that roads are in both directions in Neverland country. Is  $\mathbb{R}$  an equivalence relation? If so, what are the equivalence classes?

$\mathbb{R}$  is an equivalence relation.

$$[i] = \{j \leq (N - 1)\}$$

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**Question 5:** For  $n$ -dimensional vectors  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we would say  $x \preceq y$  if for every  $0 \leq i \leq n$ , we would have  $x_i \leq y_i$  where  $x_i$  is the  $i$ -th element of  $x$ . Is  $\preceq$  a partial order? Prove or disprove.

Proof:

**Question 6:**

**Question 7:** Let  $f(x) = 2x$  where the domain is the set of real numbers. What is

- (a)  $f(\mathbb{N}) \rightarrow \{x \in \mathbb{N} \mid 2x\}$
- (b)  $f(\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow \{x \in \mathbb{Q} \mid 2x\}$
- (c)  $f(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 2x\}$

**Question 8:**

- (a) no properties
- (b) (4, 4)
- (c) (1, 2) and (4, 1)

**Question 9:** Let  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$  such that there are 4 elements in  $A$ . That is,  $|A| = 4$ . Similarly, let  $B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots\}$  such that  $|B| = 2$ . How many possible relations can be defined from  $A$  to  $B$ ?

**Question 10:** Consider the set  $A = 1, 2, 9, 11, 18$  having relation  $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (9, 9), (11, 11), (18, 18), (1, 2), (2, 1), (11, 1), (1, 11), (18, 9), (9, 18)\}$ , find equivalence class of the following:

- a)  $[1] \rightarrow \{1, 2, 11\}$
- b)  $[2] \rightarrow \{2, 1\}$
- c)  $[9] \rightarrow \{9, 18\}$
- d)  $[11] \rightarrow \{11, 1\}$
- e)  $[18] \rightarrow \{18, 9\}$

**Question 11:** Let:  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $f(x) = \frac{5x}{3} - 2$ . Prove that  $f$  is a one to one function.

Proof:

Assume that  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  belong to  $\mathbb{R}$

Suppose  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$

Definition of the function  $\frac{5x_1}{3} - 2 = \frac{5x_2}{3} - 2$

$$\frac{5x_1}{3} = \frac{5x_2}{3}$$

Add 2 to both sides

$$5x_1 = 5x_2$$

Multiply 3 by both sides

$$x_1 = x_2$$

Divide both sides by 5

Therefore, since  $x_1 = x_2$ , this is an injective function.  $\square$

**Question 12:** Let:  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $f(x) = \frac{x}{2} + 3$  a surjection (onto)? If it is, constructs the proof, otherwise, give a counterexample.

Proof:

Assume that  $a \in \mathbb{R}$

We must show that  $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(x) = a$

So,  $a = \frac{x}{2} + 3$

$$a - 3 = \frac{x}{2}$$

$$2a - 6 = x$$

So, substituting for  $x$ ,  $f(x) = \frac{2a-6}{2} + 3$

$$= a - 3 + 3$$

$$= a$$

Since  $f(x) = a$ , we know that it is onto.  $\square$