

★ what are the maximal, greatest, least, minimal elements?

one that all elements relate to → **Greatest:** 0 → any integer a can $\neq c$ if $c = 0$. there will always be a solution

Maximal: 0

Least: 1 → relates to every non-negative integer, given non-negative an integer b , $1 \mid b$, since $1 \neq b = b$

(c might not be 1, we choose $c=b$)

Minimal: 1 because we have one least

★ def. of being greatest / least means being the only maximal / minimal!

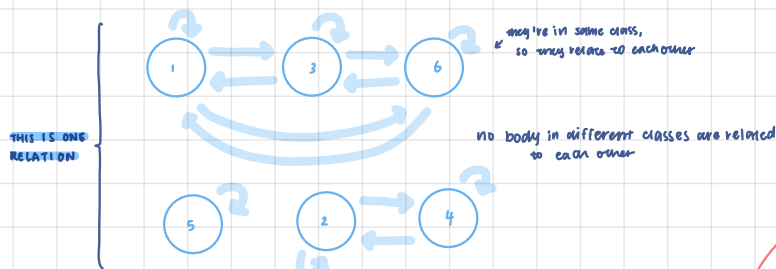
1.5 EQUIVALENCE RELATIONS

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DIVIDES UP ELEMENTS INTO EQUIVALENCE CLASSES → a set of elements that has the property that an element in the class is related to all elements in the class & NO OTHERS

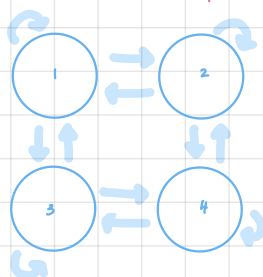
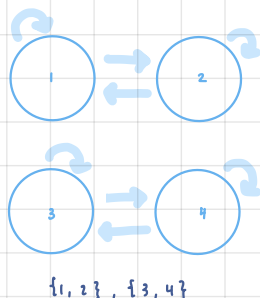
- two elements are related iff they are in the same equivalence class
- every element is exactly one equivalence class
- symmetric

HOW WOULD AN EQUIVALENCE RELATION W/ EQUIVALENCE CLASSES $\{1, 3, 6\}$, $\{2, 4\}$, and $\{5\}$ look like?



FOR AN EQUIVALENCE CLASS OF n ELEMENTS, THERE ARE n^2 ARROWS

EXAMPLES:



WRONG EQUIVALENCE CLASSES:

- $\{1, 3\}$ → element 1 can be in exactly one class, element 2 & 4 are not in a class
- $\{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 4\}, \{3, 4\}$ → element 1 is in 2 classes, element cannot be in more than 1 class.
- $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ → 2 doesn't relate to 3, violation
- $\{1, 3\}, \{2, 4\}$ → 3 can't relate to 4, but they do... violation

are 3 & 2 in the same class?

$2R4$ should be and $3R4$ should be

$2 \neq 3$ SHOULD BE IN THE SAME CLASS

, an equivalence relations are transitive

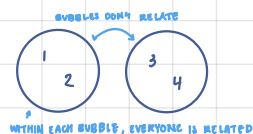
NOT EQUIVALENCE RELATION
LACK TRANSITIVITY

KNOWING EQUIVALENCE RELATIONS, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO DRAW THE DIAGRAMS

THE EQUIVALENCE RELATION ON $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ W/ JUST 1 EQUIVALENCE CLASS $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

communicated the whole relation w/o drawing

→ w/ 2 equivalence classes $\{1, 2\}, \{3, 4\}$



AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THIS PROPERTY,

all equivalence relations are transitive

→ symmetric + reflexive

special case → $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ } transitive
n symmetric
= reflexive

only allowed to relate to other elements in the equivalence class

$1R2$ so $1 \neq 2$ must be in the same class

so 2 should relate to 2

(likewise w/ $3 \neq 4$)

violates symmetry

NOT EQUIVALENCE RELATION

ANY RELATION WHICH IS REFLEXIVE, SYMMETRIC, & TRANSITIVE IS AN
EQUIVALENCE RELATION

ANY RELATION WHICH IS REFLEXIVE, ANTI - SYMMETRIC, & TRANSITIVE IS A
PARTIAL ORDER

LET'S LOOK AT SOME RELATIONS:

Let R be a relation on the integers

$$aRb \text{ iff } \left\lfloor \frac{a}{6} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{b}{6} \right\rfloor$$

floor

is this reflexive?

$$\text{for any int. } a, \text{ floor}(a/6) = \text{floor}(a/6) \quad \checkmark$$

is this symmetric?

$$\text{if } \text{floor}(a/6) = \text{floor}(b/6) \text{ then } \text{floor}(b/6) = \text{floor}(a/6) \quad \checkmark$$

is it transitive?

$$\text{if } \text{floor}(a/6) = \text{floor}(b/6) \text{ and } \text{floor}(b/6) = \text{floor}(c/6) \text{ then } \text{floor}(a/6) = \text{floor}(c/6) \quad \checkmark$$

what are the equivalence classes of this relation?

$$\dots \{ \underset{\text{floor}(x/6)=0}{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5}, \underset{=1}{6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11}, \underset{=2}{12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17} \dots$$

Let R be a relation on the integers

$$aRb \text{ iff } (a \bmod 6) = (b \bmod 6)$$

$$aRb \text{ iff } f(a) = f(b) \text{ is an equivalence relation for any function } f()$$

same reasons as before

$$\{ \dots 1, 7, 13 \dots \} \text{ congruent to } 1 \bmod 6$$

$$\{ \dots 2, 8, 14 \dots \} \text{ } 2 \bmod 6$$

$$\{ \dots 3, 9, 15, \dots \} \text{ } 3 \bmod 6$$

\vdots