

Math 215, Spring 2018 - Assignment # 9

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Section 11.1 8 **Statement:** Define a relation on \mathbb{Z} as xRy if $|x-y| < 1$. Is R reflexive? Symmetric? Transitive? If a property does not hold, say why. What familiar relation is this?

Proof. i) Show that R is reflexive:

For any $x \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $|x - x| = 0 < 1$. Then xRx

ii) Show that R is symmetric

For any $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$

Assume that xRy that is $|x-y| < 1$

Now $|x-y| = |y-x| < 1$. Then yRx

iii) Show that R is transitive

For any $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$

We have: $|x-y| < 1$ $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ when $x = y$.

Assume that xRy and yRz , that is $|x-y| < 1$ and $|y-z| < 1$.

Then we must have $x = y = z$. So $|x-z| = 0 < 1$, that means xRz .

Therefore, R is transitive.

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Section 11.1 12 **Statement:** Prove that the relation $|$ (divides) on the set \mathbb{Z} is reflexive and transitive. (Use Example 11.8 as a guide if you are unsure of how to proceed.)

Proof. For any $x \in \mathbb{Z}$, $x = 1x$, so $x|x$, hence the relation is reflexive.

Suppose $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$ are such that $x|y$ and $y|z$. Then there exist integers a and b such that $xa = y$ and $yb = z$. Then $ab \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $x(ab) = z$, so $x|z$. We conclude the relation is transitive. □

Section 11.2 6 **Statement:** There are five different equivalence relations on the set $A = \{a, b, c\}$. Describe them all. Diagrams will suffice.

Proof. $R = \{(a,a), (b,b), (c,c)\}$

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Section 11.2 8 **Statement:** Define a relation R on Z as xRy if and only if $x^2 + y^2$ is even. Prove R is an equivalence relation. Describe its equivalence classes.

Proof. We must show that R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

i) Show that R is reflexive; i.e., show that $\forall x \in Z, xRx$:

Let $x \in Z$. Then $x^2 + x^2 = 2x^2$, which is even, so xRx .

ii) Show that R is symmetric; i.e., show that $\forall x, y \in Z$, if xRy then yRx .

Let $x, y \in Z$

Assume xRy that is $x^2 + y^2$ is even

Now $y^2 + x^2 = x^2 + y^2$. So $y^2 + x^2$ is even and yRx .

iii) Show that R is transitive; i.e., show that $\forall x, y, z \in Z$, if xRy and yRz then xRz . Let $x, y, z \in Z$. Assume xRy and yRz , that is that $x^2 + y^2 = 2s$ and $y^2 + z^2 = 2t, s, t \in Z$. So $x^2 = 2s - y^2$ and $z^2 = 2t - y^2$, with $s, t \in Z$. And $x^2 + z^2 = 2s - y^2 + 2t - y^2 = 2s + 2t - 2y^2 = 2(s + t - y^2)$ where $s + t - y^2 \in Z$. So $x^2 + z^2$ is even. Therefore xRz .

This proves that R is an equivalence relation on Z .

$= \{x : xR1\} = \{x : x^2 + 1 \text{ is even}\} = \{x : x^2 \text{ is odd}\} = \{x : x \text{ is odd}\}$

$= \{x : xR2\} = \{x : x^2 + 4 \text{ is even}\} = \{x : x^2 \text{ is even}\} = \{x : x \text{ is even}\}$ So these are the two distinct equivalence classes □

Section 11.3 2 **Statement:** List all the partitions of the set $A = \{a,b,c\}$. Compare your answer to the answer to Exercise 6 of Section 11.2.

Proof. $\{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}\}$
 $\{\{a, b\}, \{c\}\}$
 $\{\{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$
 $\{\{a, c\}, \{b\}\}$
 $\{\{a, b, c\}\}$

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Section 11.4 2 **Statement:** Write the addition and multiplication tables for \mathbb{Z}_3 .

Proof. Below are table of addition and multiplication for \mathbb{Z}_3

+	0	1	2
0	0	1	2
1	1	2	0
2	2	0	1

.	0	1	2
0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
2	0	2	1

□

Section 11.4 6 **Statement:** Suppose $[a], [b] \in \mathbb{Z}_6$ and $[a][b] = [0]$. Is it necessarily true that either $[a] = [0]$ or $[b] = [0]$?

Proof. Here is the multiplication table of \mathbb{Z}_6

.	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5
2	0	2	4	0	2	4
3	0	3	0	3	0	3
4	0	4	2	0	0	4
5	0	5	4	3	4	1

As we can see, if $[a][b] = [0]$, then possibly, $[a] = [2]$ and $[b] = 3$. It means that it is not necessarily true that either $[a] = [0]$ or $[b] = [0]$ if $[a][b] = [0]$.

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