

## DGD 9

## Q1. PARTITIONS OF A SET INTO EQUIVALENCE CLASSES

Let  $A = \{-4, -3, -1, 0, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 15, 23\}$ .

- i. Determine the partition of  $A$  into equivalence classes of the equivalence relation  $\equiv \pmod{7}$ .

	-4	-3	-1	0	2	5	6	7	8	15	23
remainder (mod 7)	3	4	6	0	2	5	6	0	1	1	2

partition of  $A$   
into equivalence  
classes (mod 7)  $\mathcal{P} = \{\{-4\}, \{-3\}, \{-1, 6\}, \{0, 7\}, \{2, 23\}, \{5\}, \{8, 15\}\}$

- ii. Determine the partition of  $A$  into equivalence classes of the equivalence relation  $\mathcal{S}$  given by the rule for all  $x, y \in A$ ,  $x \mathcal{S} y$  if and only if  $x + 3y$  is even.

$$[-4]_{\mathcal{S}} = \{-4, 0, 2, 6, 8\} \quad [-3]_{\mathcal{S}} = \{-3, -1, 5, 7, 15, 23\}$$

partition of  $A$   
into equivalence  
classes of  $\mathcal{S}$   $\mathcal{P} = \{\{-4, 0, 2, 6, 8\}, \{-3, -1, 5, 7, 15, 23\}\}$

- iii. Verify that the relation  $\mathcal{T}$  given below is an equivalence relation on  $A$ .

$$\mathcal{T} = \{(-4, -4), (-3, -3), (-1, -1), (0, 0), (0, 2), (0, 5), (2, 0), (2, 2), (2, 5), (5, 0), (5, 2), (5, 5), (6, 6), (6, 7), (7, 6), (7, 7), (8, 8), (15, 15), (23, 23)\}$$

Give the equivalence classes  $[-4]_{\mathcal{T}}$  and  $[5]_{\mathcal{T}}$ .

$$[-4]_{\mathcal{T}} = \{-4\} \quad [5]_{\mathcal{T}} = \{5, 0, 2\}$$

$$[-3]_{\mathcal{T}} = \{-3\} \quad [-1]_{\mathcal{T}} = \{-1\} \quad [6]_{\mathcal{T}} = \{6, 7\} \quad [8]_{\mathcal{T}} = \{8\} \quad [15]_{\mathcal{T}} = \{15\} \quad [23]_{\mathcal{T}} = \{23\}$$

Determine the partition of  $A$  into equivalence classes of  $\mathcal{T}$ .

$$\mathcal{P} = \{\{-4\}, \{-3\}, \{-1\}, \{0, 2, 5\}, \{6, 7\}, \{8\}, \{15\}, \{23\}\}$$

**Q2. ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF AN EQUIVALENCE RELATION ON  $\mathbb{Z}$**

Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be a relation on  $\mathbb{Z}$  given by the following rule:

for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x \mathcal{R} y$  if and only if  $x \equiv y \pmod{7}$  or  $x \equiv -y \pmod{7}$ .

i. Prove that  $\mathcal{R}$  is an equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

[reflexive] Let  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $x \equiv x \pmod{7}$  (since  $\equiv \pmod{7}$  is reflexive)  
 $\therefore x \mathcal{R} x$  (by the rule for  $\mathcal{R}$ )

we proved  $(x \in \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow (x \mathcal{R} x) \therefore \mathcal{R}$  is reflexive.

[symmetric]. Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$

Assume  $x \mathcal{R} y$  (goal: prove  $y \mathcal{R} x$ )

Then  $x \equiv y \pmod{7}$  or  $x \equiv -y \pmod{7}$  (by  $\mathcal{R}$ 's rule)

Case 1. If  $x \equiv y \pmod{7}$ , then  $y \equiv x \pmod{7}$  (since  $\equiv \pmod{7}$  is symmetric).

Case 2. If  $x \equiv -y \pmod{7}$ , then  $7 \mid (x - (-y))$  (by Theorem 16.2)

$$\Rightarrow x + y = 7k \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow y + x = 7k \therefore 7 \mid y - (-x)$$

$$\therefore y \equiv -x \pmod{7} \text{ (by Theorem 16.2)}$$

$$\therefore y \mathcal{R} x \text{ (by } \mathcal{R}'\text{s rule)}$$

In both cases, we proved  $(x \mathcal{R} y) \rightarrow (y \mathcal{R} x) \therefore \mathcal{R}$  is symmetric.

[transitive] Let  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$

Assume  $x \mathcal{R} y$  and  $y \mathcal{R} z$ . (goal: prove  $x \mathcal{R} z$ )

Then  $[x \equiv y \pmod{7} \text{ or } x \equiv -y \pmod{7}]$  and  $[y \equiv z \pmod{7} \text{ or } y \equiv -z \pmod{7}]$   
(by  $\mathcal{R}$ 's rule)

case 1 Assume  $x \equiv y \pmod{7}$  and  $y \equiv z \pmod{7}$ .

Then  $x \equiv z \pmod{7}$  (since  $\equiv \pmod{7}$  is transitive)

$\therefore x R z$  in case 1.

case 2 Assume  $x \equiv y \pmod{7}$  and  $y \equiv -z \pmod{7}$ .

Then  $x \equiv -z \pmod{7}$  (since  $\equiv \pmod{7}$  is transitive)

$\therefore x R z$  in Case 2.

case 3 Assume  $x \equiv -y \pmod{7}$  and  $y \equiv z \pmod{7}$ .

Then  $7 \mid (x - (-y))$  and  $7 \mid (y - z)$  (by Theorem 16.2)

Thus  $x + y = 7k$  and  $y - z = 7l$  for some integers  $k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$$\therefore x - (-z) = 7k - y - (7l - y) = 7k - 7l$$

$$\Rightarrow 7 \mid (x - (-z)) \quad \therefore x \equiv -z \pmod{7} \text{ (by Theorem 16.2)}$$

$\therefore x R z$  in Case 3.

case 4 Assume  $x \equiv -y \pmod{7}$  and  $y \equiv -z \pmod{7}$ .

Then  $7 \mid (x - (-y))$  and  $7 \mid (y - (-z))$  (by Theorem 16.2)

Thus  $x + y = 7k$  and  $y + z = 7l$  for some integers  $k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$$\therefore x - z = 7k - y - (7l - y) = 7k - 7l$$

$$\Rightarrow 7 \mid (x - z) \quad \therefore x \equiv z \pmod{7} \text{ (by Theorem 16.2)}$$

$\therefore x R z$  in Case 4.

We proved  $(x R y \wedge y R z) \rightarrow (x R z)$  in all four cases.  $\therefore R$  is transitive.

Since  $R$  is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive, it is an equivalence relation.

ii. Determine the partition of  $A$  (from Q1) into equivalence classes of  $R$ .

remainder (mod 7)    -4   -3   -1   0   2   5   6   7   8   15   23  
                               3    4    6    0   2   5   6   0   1   1   2

negative's remainder (mod 7)    4    3    1    0   -2   -5   -6   -7   -8   -15   -23  
     4    3    1    0   5   2   1   0   6   6   5

partition of  $A$   
 into equivalence  
 classes of  $R$

$$\mathcal{P} = \{ \{-4, -3\}, \{-1, 6, 8, 15\}, \{0, 7\}, \{2, 23, 5\} \}$$

★ Review previous DGD exercises that were missed and Assignment 2 solutions if time.