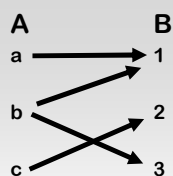


מתמטיקה בדידה Discrete Math

Lecture 10

Last Week: Binary Relation



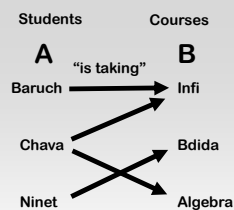
Describes **relations** between elements in A and elements in B.

Unlike a function: $x \in A$ can be related to **more than one** $y \in B$.

Binary relation

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Binary Relation: Example



$\{(Baruch, in\text{fi}), (Chava, Algebra), (Chava, In\text{fi}), (Ninet, Bdida)\}$

$\{(1, a), (2, c), (2, a), (3, b)\} \quad (A = \{1, 2, 3\}, B = \{a, b, c\})$

$\{(1, 1), (2, 3), (2, 1), (3, 2)\} \quad (A = B = \{1, 2, 3\})$

Binary Relations: Definition

Definition: A **binary relation**, R , consists of

1. a set, A , called the **domain** of R ,
2. a set, B , called the **codomain** of R ,
3. a subset $R \subseteq A \times B$ called the **graph** of R

Terminology:

1. We say that R is a relation between A and B .
2. If $A = B$, we say that R is a relation on A .

Notation:

1. aRb means that $(a,b) \in R$.
2. $a \nVdash b$ (alternatively, $\neg(aRb)$) means that $(a,b) \notin R$

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Binary Relations: Characterization

Definition: A binary relation, R , on a set A is

Reflexive: $\forall a \in A, aRa$.

Anti-Reflexive: $\forall a \in A, \neg(aRa)$.

Symmetric: $\forall a,b \in A, aRb \rightarrow bRa$.

Asymmetric: $\forall a,b \in A, aRb \rightarrow \neg(bRa)$.

Anti-symmetric: $\forall a,b \in A, (aRb \wedge bRa) \rightarrow a = b$.

Transitive: $\forall a,b,c \in A, (aRb \wedge bRc) \rightarrow aRc$.

Asymmetric vs. Anti-Symmetric

Asymmetric aRb implies $\neg(bRa)$ for all $a,b \in A$.

Anti-symmetric aRb, bRa implies $a = b$ for all $a,b \in A$.

Anti-symmetric* aRb implies $\neg(bRa)$ for all $a \neq b \in A$.

Claim: **Anti-symmetric** = **Anti-symmetric***

Can think of **Anti-symmetric*** as "**weak Asymmetric**"

Equivalence Relation

Definition: A binary relation, R , on a set A is said to be an **equivalence relation** if it is

Reflexive aRa for all $a \in A$

Symmetric aRb implies bRa for all $a, b \in A$

Transitive $[aRb \text{ and } bRc]$ implies aRc for all $a, b, c \in A$

Notation: If a is equivalent to b , we write $a \sim b$.

Equivalence relation

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Equivalence Relations: Examples

"Equality" ($=$) – $a \sim b$ if and only if $a = b$

"Same eye color" – $a \sim b$ if and only if they have the same eye color.

"Same number of letters" – $a \sim b$ are equivalent if and only if the number of letters in word a is the same as in b .

"Congruence mod 2" – $a \sim b$ if and only if $(a-b)$ is even.

Equivalence Class

Definition: Let R be an equivalence relation on A . The **equivalence class** of an element $a \in A$ is defined as:

$$[a]_R := \{b \in A \mid aRb\}$$

that is, the set of all elements in A that a is equivalent to.

Notation: Sometimes we write $[a]$ instead of $[a]_R$

Equivalence class

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Equivalence Class: Examples

"Equality of sets" ($=$) – $A \sim B$ if and only if $A = B$ (as sets)

Q: What is the equivalence class $[\{1,2,3\}]$?

A: All sets whose elements are 1,2,3.

Examples: $\{1,3,2\} \in [\{1,2,3\}]$, $\{x \in \mathbb{N} \mid 0 < x \leq 3\} \in [\{1,2,3\}]$

"Same eye color" – $a \sim b$ if and only if they have the same eye color.

Q: Yossi has blue eyes. What is $[\text{Yossi}]$?

A: All people with blue eyes.

"Congruence mod 2" – $a \sim b$ if and only if $(a-b)$ is even.

Q: What is $[2]$? What is $[1]$?

A: $[2]$ = Evens, $[1]$ = Odd numbers

Equivalence Class: Representatives

"Equality of sets" ($=$) – $A \sim B$ if and only if $A = B$ (as sets)

$[\{1,2,3\}]$ = All sets whose elements are 1,2,3.

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"Same eye color" – $a \sim b$ if and only if they have the same eye color.

Yossi has blue eyes. $[\text{Yossi}]$ = All people with blue eyes.

Ninet has blue eyes. $[\text{Ninet}]$ = All people with blue eyes.

"Congruence mod 2" – $a \sim b$ if and only if $(a-b)$ is even.

$[2]$ = Evens, $[1]$ = Odd numbers

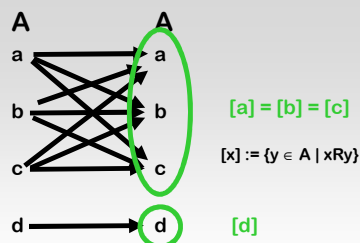
$[4]$ = Evens, $[3]$ = Odd numbers

To describe an equivalence class $[a]_R$, it is sufficient to pick a **representative** in $[a]_R$

Representative

נציג

Equivalence Relations



Equivalence Class
Representative

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For the Curious: The Rational Numbers

Elements in $\mathbb{Q}$ are thought of as numbers a/b for $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

But $a/b = 2a/2b = 3a/3b$, and so on...

So which one should we pick?

Also, how is a/b defined?

Define a relation R on $\mathbb{Z}^2$ in the following way:

$$R := \{((a,b),(c,d)) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}^2 \mid ad=bc\}$$

That is, $(a,b)R(c,d)$ if and only if $ad = bc$.

A **rational number** is simply a **representative** (a,b) of an equivalence class for the above relation R .

Exercise

We say that $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ is divisible by $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ if $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$ so that $a = kb$.

Define relations S, T on $\mathbb{Z}$ in the following way:

- iSj if and only if $i - j$ is divisible by 7.
- iTj if and only if $i + j$ is divisible by 7.

Q1: is S an equivalence relation?

Q2: is T an equivalence relation?

Q3: is $S \cup T$ an equivalence relation?

Partition

Definition: A **partition** of a set A is a collection of subsets $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \subseteq A$ so that:

1. **Pairwise disjoint:** $\forall i, j \in [n], i \neq j \rightarrow A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$
2. **Covering:** $A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n = A$



Partition	חלוקה
Pairwise disjoint	זרות בזוגות
Covering	כיסוי

Partition: Examples

Let A be the set of all people.

1. Let A_1 be the set of all people with blue eyes
2. Let A_2 be the set of all people with green eyes
3. Let A_3 be the set of all people with brown eyes
and so on...

Note that $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \subseteq A$. Also:

1. Pairwise disjoint*: $\forall i, j \in [n], i \neq j \rightarrow A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$
2. Covering**: $A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n = A$

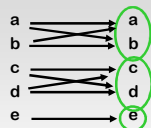
* Assuming there are no people with more than one eye color.

** Assuming we have used all eye colors.

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Partition and equivalence are the "same thing."

Partition	חלוקה
Pairwise disjoint	זרות בזוגות
Covering	כיסוי

Partition vs Equivalence

Proposition: Let A be a set. Then:

1. For any equivalence relation $\sim$ on A , the collection:

$$\Omega = \{[a]_{\sim} \mid a \in A\}$$

forms a partition of A .

2. For any partition Ω of A , the relation:

$$R = \{(a, b) \in A \times A \mid \exists S \in \Omega, a \in S \text{ and } b \in S\}$$

is an equivalence relation on A .

Induced Partition

Definition: Let $\sim$ be an equivalence relation on A . then the partition:

$$\Omega = \{[a]_{\sim} \mid a \in A\}$$

is called the partition that is **induced** by $\sim$.

Example: The partition on $\mathbb{Z}$ that is induced by the “**Congruence mod 2**” relation ($a \sim b$ if and only if $(a-b)$ is even) is:

$A_1 = \text{Evens,}$

$A_2 = \text{Odd numbers}$

Induced partition

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Example 1

$$A = \{1,2,3\} \times \{1,2,3\}$$

$(x,y) \sim (x',y')$ if and only if $x+y = x'+y' \pmod{3}$

$$(1,1) \sim (2,3) \sim (3,2)$$

$$(1,2) \sim (2,1) \sim (3,3)$$

$$(2,2) \sim (1,3) \sim (3,1)$$

$$A_1 = \{(1,1), (2,3), (3,2)\}$$

$$A_2 = \{(1,2), (2,1), (3,3)\}$$

$$A_3 = \{(2,2), (1,3), (3,1)\}$$

Example 2: Congruence mod 7

$A = \mathbb{N}$ and $x \sim y$ if and only if $x-y = 7k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$1 \sim 8 \sim 15 \sim 22 \sim \dots$$

$$2 \sim 9 \sim 16 \sim 23 \sim \dots$$

$$3 \sim 10 \sim 17 \sim 24 \sim \dots$$

$$A_1 = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : n = 1+7k \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{N}\} = [1]$$

$$A_2 = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : n = 2+7k \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{N}\} = [2]$$

$$A_3 = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : n = 3+7k \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{N}\} = [3]$$

and so on...

Note: $A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_7 = A$

$$\forall i,j \in \{1,2,\dots,7\}, i \neq j \rightarrow A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$$

Partial Orders

Strict Partial Order

Definition: A binary relation, R , on a set A is said to be a **strict partial order** if it is

Asymmetric: $\forall a, b \in A, aRb \rightarrow \neg(bRa)$.

Transitive: $\forall a, b, c \in A, (aRb \wedge bRc) \rightarrow aRc$.

Terminology: A is said to be a **partially ordered set** (poset).

Notation: We use $\prec$ to denote a strict partial order R .
 $a \prec b$ stands for aRb

The ordered pair $(A, \prec)$ denotes a poset.

Strict partial order	יחס סדר חלקי ממש
Partially ordered set	קבוצה סדורה חלקית (קס"ח)

Strict Partial Order: Examples

The $<$ relation on numbers: $a \prec b$ iff $a < b$.

The $\subset$ relation on subsets: $A \prec B$ iff $A \subset B$.

Both examples are:

Asymmetric: $\forall a, b \in A, aRb \rightarrow \neg(bRa)$.

Transitive: $\forall a, b, c \in A, (aRb \wedge bRc) \rightarrow aRc$.

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Weak Partial Order

Definition: A binary relation, R , on a set A is said to be a **weak partial order** if it is

Reflexive: $\forall a \in A, aRa$.

Anti-symmetric*: $\forall a, b \in A, (aRb \wedge a \neq b) \rightarrow \neg(bRa)$.

Transitive: $\forall a, b, c \in A, (aRb \wedge bRc) \rightarrow aRc$.

Notation: We use $\preceq$ to denote a weak partial order R .
 $a \preceq b$ stands for aRb

Weak partial order

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Weak Partial Order: Examples

The $\leq$ relation on numbers: $a \leq b$ iff $a \leq b$.

The $\subseteq$ relation on subsets: $A \subseteq B$ iff $A \subseteq B$.

The "divides" relation. $m \preceq n$ iff $\exists k$ so that $n = km$.

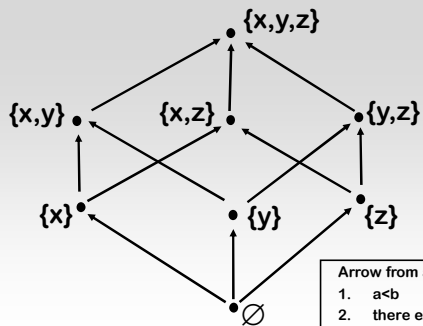
All examples are:

Reflexive: $\forall a \in A, aRa$.

Anti-symmetric*: $\forall a, b \in A, (aRb \wedge a \neq b) \rightarrow \neg(bRa)$.

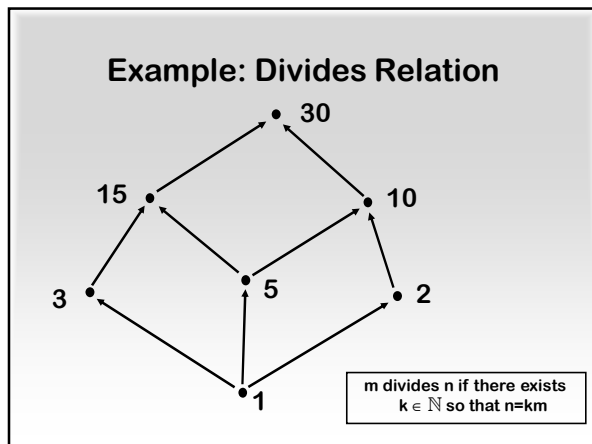
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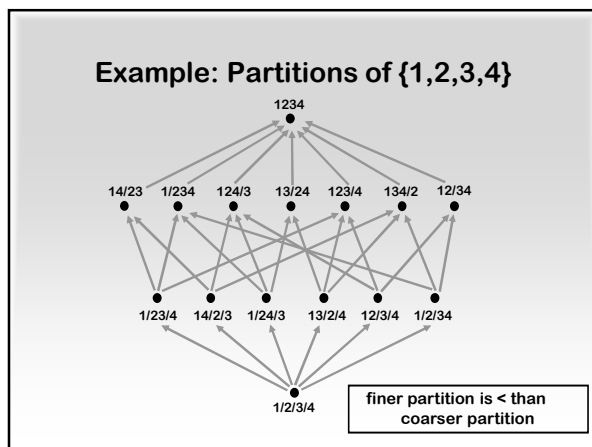
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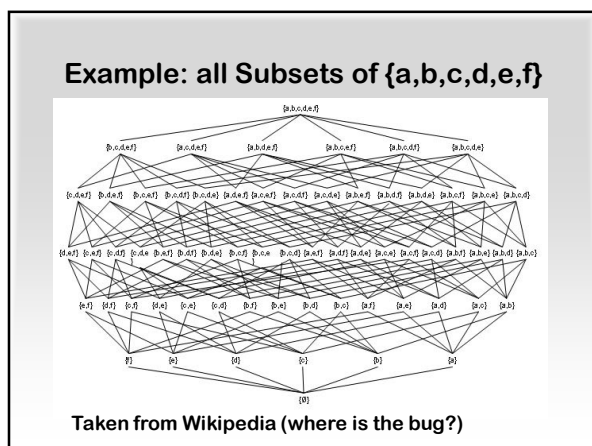


Arrow from a to b if:

- $a < b$
- there exists no c such that $a < c < b$







Total Order

Definition: A partial order R is said to be **total** if

$$\forall a, b \in A, a \neq b \rightarrow (aRb) \text{ or } (bRa)$$

Every two different elements $a, b \in A$ are **comparable**.

Examples: The $\leq, <$ relations on numbers.

Non-examples: The $\subset, \subseteq$ relations on sets.

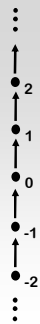
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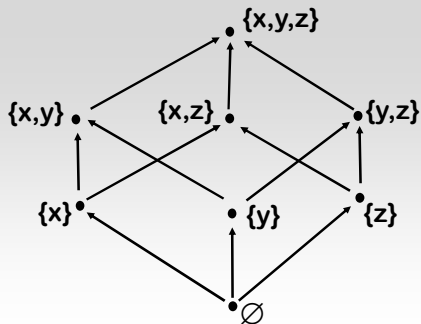
Total order

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Example: $<$ Relation on $\mathbb{Z}$



Non-Example: Subset Relation



Minimum, Minimal

Definition: Let $\leq$ be a partial order on a set A . An element $a \in A$ is **minimum** iff aRb for every other element $b \in A$

Definition: Let $\leq$ be a partial order on a set A . An element $a \in A$ is **minimal** iff $\neg(bRa)$ for every other element $b \in A$.

Note:

1. In a total order minimum and minimal are the same thing.
2. A partial order, however, may not have a minimum element and many minimal elements.
3. If a poset satisfies that every nonempty $B \subseteq A$ has a minimum, then is called a **totally ordered set**.

Totally ordered set קבוצה סדורה היטב

Example: $<$ Relation on $\mathbb{N}$

Q: Is there a minimum?
A: Yes. It is 0.

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graph BT
    0((0)) --> 1((1))
    1 --> 2((2))
    2 --> dots[...]
  
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Example: Divides Relation

Q: Is there a minimum?
A: Yes. It is 1.

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graph BT
    1((1)) --> 2((2))
    1 --> 3((3))
    1 --> 5((5))
    2 --> 10((10))
    3 --> 15((15))
    5 --> 30((30))
    10 --> 30
    15 --> 30
  
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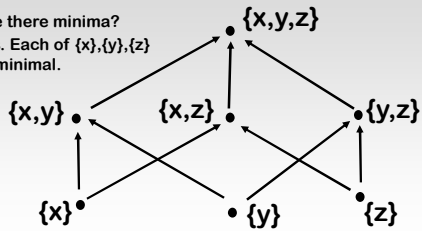
Example: Subset Relation on $P(\{x,y,z\}) \setminus \emptyset$

Q1: Is there a minimum?

A1: No.

Q2: Are there minima?

A2: Yes. Each of $\{x\}, \{y\}, \{z\}$ is minimal.



Exercise

Let $A = \{2,3,4,6,12\}$.

Let $S = \{(x, y) \in A \times A : x \text{ divides } y\}$.

Q1: Find a total order relation on A that contains S .

Q2: Find a partial order relation on A , which is contained in S and has exactly three minimal elements.