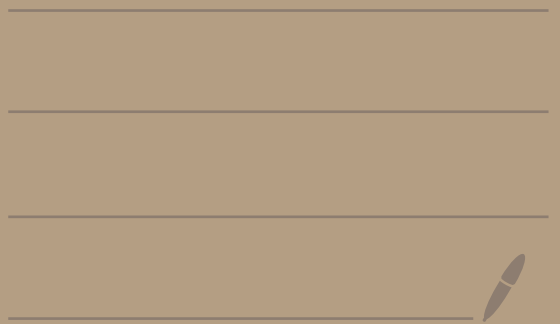


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Def: A partition of a set  $S$  is a family of sets  $\mathcal{A}$  where

① every  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies  $A \subseteq S$ ,

②  $\bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{A}} A = S$

③ If  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $A \neq B$ ,  
then  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ .

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Ex:  $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ \underbrace{\{1, 3, 5\}}_{A_1}, \underbrace{\{2, 6\}}_{A_2}, \underbrace{\{4\}}_{A_3} \right\}$

①  $A_1 \subseteq S, A_2 \subseteq S, A_3 \subseteq S$

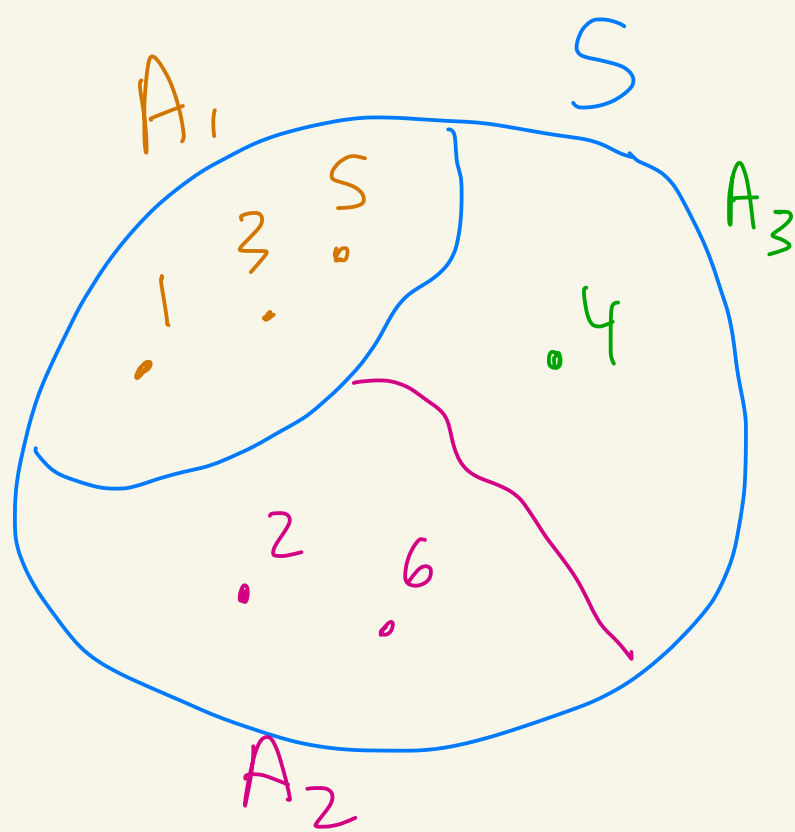
②  $\bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{A}} A = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 = S$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad A_1 \cap A_2 = \phi$$

$$A_1 \cap A_3 = \phi$$

$$A_2 \cap A_3 = \phi$$

Thus,  $A$  is a partition of  $S$



**Ex:**

$$S = \mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

Consider the equivalence classes modulo  $n=3$ . They are

$$\bar{0} = \{\dots, -9, -6, -3, 0, 3, 6, 9, \dots\}$$

$$\bar{1} = \{\dots, -8, -5, -2, 1, 4, 7, \dots\}$$

$$\bar{2} = \{\dots, -7, -4, -1, 2, 5, 8, \dots\}$$

The set of equivalence classes is a partition of  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

$$A = \mathbb{Z}_3 = \{\bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2}\}$$

Theorem Let  $S$  be a non-empty set. Let  $\sim$  be an equivalence relation on  $S$ . Then the set of equivalence classes

$$S/\sim = \{ \bar{a} \mid a \in S \}$$

is a partition of  $S$ .

Ex: When  $\sim$  is mod 3

then  $S/\sim = \mathbb{Z}_3 = \{ \bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2} \}$

proof:

① Let  $\bar{a} \in S/\sim$  where  $a \in S$ .

Then,

$$\bar{a} = \{b \mid b \in S \text{ where } a \sim b\} \subseteq S$$

(2) We have that

$$\textcircled{1} \bar{a} \subseteq S$$



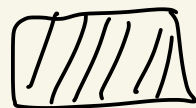
$$S = \bigcup_{a \in S} \{a\} \subseteq \bigcup_{a \in S} \bar{a} = \bigcup_{\bar{a} \in S/\sim} \bar{a} \subseteq S$$

super  
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 $a \in \bar{a}$

$$S/\sim = \{\bar{a} \mid a \in S\}$$

Thus, 
$$S = \bigcup_{\bar{a} \in S/\sim} \bar{a}.$$

(3) By the super-duper equivalence class theorem, if  $a, b \in S$  and  $\bar{a} \neq \bar{b}$ , then  $\bar{a} \cap \bar{b} = \emptyset$ .



## Theorem

Let  $S$  be a non-empty set.

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a partition of  $S$ .

Define a relation  $\sim$  on  $S$  by

the following:


Given  $a, b \in S$ , then  $a \sim b$   
if and only if there exists  
 $A \in \mathcal{A}$  where  $a \in A$  and  $b \in A$ .

Then:

①  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation  
on  $S$

②  $S/\sim = \mathcal{A}$

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proof: See notes from F19-10/2 

# HW 3

③  $S = \mathbb{Z}$

$x \sim y$  means  $2 \mid (x+y)$

(a) List 3 integers related to  $x=4$

$$2 \mid (4+0) \longrightarrow 4 \sim 0$$

$$2 \mid (4+2) \longrightarrow 4 \sim 2$$

$$2 \mid (4 + \underbrace{(-10)}_{-6}) \longrightarrow 4 \sim (-10)$$

(b) Prove  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation on  $S = \mathbb{Z}$ .

(reflexive) Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ .



Then,

$$a + a = 2a$$

So,  $2 \mid (a+a)$ .

Thus,  $a \sim a$ .

**(Symmetric)** Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$   
where  $a \sim b$ .

Since  $a \sim b$  we know  $2 \mid (a+b)$ .

Thus,  $2 \mid (b+a)$ .

Hence,  $b \sim a$ .

**(transitive)** Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$   
where  $a \sim b$  and  $b \sim c$ .

This gives  $2 \mid (a+b)$  and  $2 \mid (b+c)$ .

Thus,  $a+b = 2k$  and  $b+c = 2l$

where  $k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} a+c &= (2k-b) + (2l-b) \\ &= 2k + 2l - 2b \\ &= 2(k+l-b) \end{aligned}$$

this is in  $\mathbb{Z}$   
since  $k, l, b \in \mathbb{Z}$

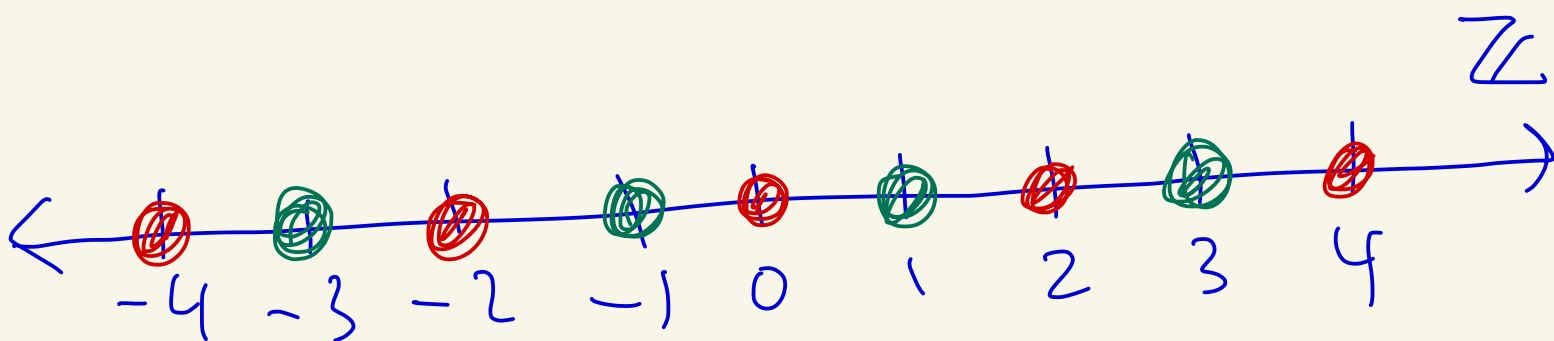
Thus,  $2 \mid (a+c)$ .

So,  $a \sim c$ .

(b)

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(c/d) Find the equivalence classes



$$\bar{0} = \{ y \mid y \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ where } \underbrace{2 \mid (0+y)}_{0 \sim y} \}$$

$$= \{ y \mid y \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ where } 2 \mid y \}$$

$$\bar{1} = \{ y \mid y \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ where } \underbrace{2 \mid (1+y)}_{1 \sim y} \}$$

$$= \{ \dots, -5, -3, -1, 1, 3, 5, 7, \dots \}$$

## HW 2

14 (b) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets.

Prove:  $\mathcal{P}(A) \cup \mathcal{P}(B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$

Proof:

Let  $X \in \mathcal{P}(A) \cup \mathcal{P}(B)$ .

So either  $X \in \mathcal{P}(A)$  or  $X \in \mathcal{P}(B)$ .

Thus, either  $X \subseteq A$  or  $X \subseteq B$ .

This implies that either

$X \subseteq A \subseteq A \cup B$  or  $X \subseteq B \subseteq A \cup B$ .

Thus,  $X \subseteq A \cup B$ .

So,  $X \in \mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$ .

