

§ 1.3. Part 1. Equivalence Relation

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Ex 1 On \mathbb{R} , the operation $=$ (i.e. "is equal to") is a relation on \mathbb{R} .

Def. The operation \sim is a relation on a set X provided if $x_1, x_2 \in X$, then

either $x_1 \sim x_2$ (i.e. x_1 tidles x_2)
or $x_1 \not\sim x_2$ (i.e. x_1 does not tidle x_2)

Def The operator \sim is a equivalence relation on X provided

\sim is a relation on X and \langle to get "equivalence" part \rangle

(r) \sim is reflexive, i.e. $x \sim x$, $\forall x \in X$

(s) \sim is symmetric, i.e. $[x_1 \sim x_2] \Rightarrow [x_2 \sim x_1]$, $\forall x_1, x_2 \in X$

(t) \sim is transitive, i.e. $[x_1 \sim x_2 \text{ and } x_2 \sim x_3] \Rightarrow [x_1 \sim x_3]$, $\forall x_1, x_2, x_3 \in X$

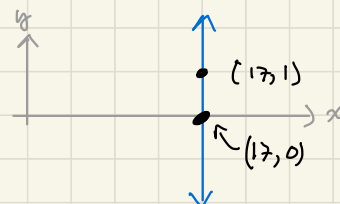
Ex 2: ex. of equivalence relations

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(1) = on the set \mathbb{R}

(2) on \mathbb{R}^2 where $(x_1, y_1) \sim (x_2, y_2) \iff x_1 = x_2$.

$S_0 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : (x, y) \sim (17, y)\} = E_{(17, 0)}$ = the line $x = 17$
also = $E_{(17, 1)}$ = $\{(17, 0) \text{ on the line}\}$
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(3) on the set $X =$ the collection \mathcal{S} of all sets where

$$S_1 \sim S_2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \exists \text{ bij } f: S_1 \rightarrow S_2,$$

Note. \sim is a relation bcs either \exists or \nexists a bijection $f: S_1 \rightarrow S_2$.

Note \sim is an equiv. relation bcs if $S_1, S_2, S_3, S \in \mathcal{S}$ then

(1) $S \sim S$, take the bij $f: S \rightarrow S$ given by $f(s) = s$. (identity function)

(2) if $S_1 \sim S_2$, then $S_2 \sim S_1$ b/c

if \exists bij $f: S_1 \rightarrow S_2$ then $f^{-1}: S_2 \rightarrow S_1$ is bij.

(3) let $S_1 \sim S_2$ and $S_2 \sim S_3$. WTS $S_1 \sim S_3$.

\exists bij $f: S_1 \rightarrow S_2$ \exists bij $g: S_2 \rightarrow S_3$.

Then $g \circ f: S_1 \rightarrow S_3$ is a bijection.

Def Let \sim be a equiv. rel. on a set X ,

For $x_0 \in X$, the equivalence class E_{x_0} generated by x_0 is

$$E_{x_0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x \in X : x \sim x_0\} \quad \leftarrow \text{you can use either}$$

$$E_{x_0} = \{x \in X : x_0 \sim x\} \quad \leftarrow \text{one for def.}$$

Note

since \sim is symmetric (so $x \sim x_0 \iff x_0 \sim x$).

Thm Two equiv classes are either disjoint or equal.

Rmk See Ex 2.2 (\sim on \mathbb{R}^2 w/ equiv classes the vertical line)

Recall The equiv. class $E_{x_0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x \in X : x \sim x_0\}$.

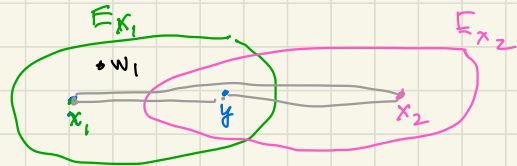
pf • Have an equiv rel. \sim on a set X .

• let $x_1, x_2 \in X$ s.t. E_{x_1} and E_{x_2} are not disjoint. \hookrightarrow (WTS $E_{x_1} = E_{x_2}$)

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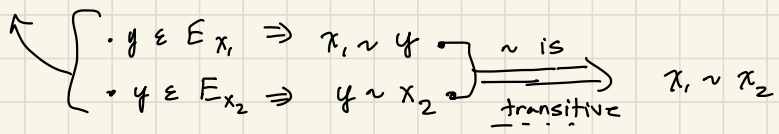
we can pick $y \in E_{x_1} \cap E_{x_2}$.

• Pic.

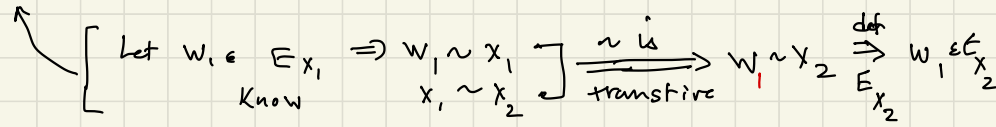


• note $x_1 \in E_{x_1}$ since \sim is $\{E_{x_i} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x : x \sim x_i\} \text{ and } x_i \sim x_i\}$ and $x_i \sim x_i$ reflexive.
Likewise $x_2 \in E_{x_2}$.

Claim 1 $x_1 \sim x_2$



Claim 2 $E_{x_1} \subseteq E_{x_2}$



Claim 3 $E_{x_2} \subseteq E_{x_1}$ is similar to Claim 2.

Claim 2 + Claim 3 $\Rightarrow E_{x_1} = E_{x_2}$ □

Ex/Def Let $B \sim \mathbb{N}$, So \exists bij $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow B$

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1. $\rightarrow b_1$
2. $\rightarrow b_2$
3. $\rightarrow b_3$
4. $\rightarrow b_4$
 \vdots
 $n. \rightarrow b_n$

the real math term
 \downarrow verb
aka enumerates

Key idea - The bij f "counts out" all the elt's in B .

Note

$$B = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \{b_n\}$$

↳ a one point subset of B .

\bigcup is disjoint union

Def Let $B \sim \mathbb{N}$. An enumeration of B is

$$B = \{b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, \dots\}$$

where the function $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow B$ given by

$$f(n) = b_n$$

is a bijection.

Remark so we can just say, eg,

Since $B \sim \mathbb{N}$, we can enumerate B as

$$B = \{b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots\}$$

Why think this way: Bcs sometimes an enumeration is easier to work with than the bij $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow B$.

Recall $A \sim B \iff \exists$ bij btw A & B .

So "loosely speaking"

$A \sim B \iff$ "A & B "have same # of elt".

It is ok to think (loosely) like "have same # of elt"

When A & B have a finite # of elements but not ok when A and B are not finite (i.e. are infinite).

Thm 1.3.13 (Cantor). Let X be a set.

There does not exist a surjection $f: X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ from the set X onto the power set $\mathcal{P}(X)$ of X .

PF = LTGB (let X be a set),

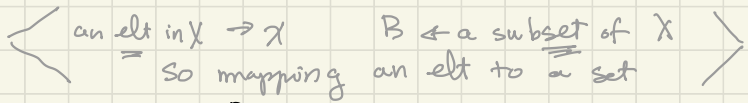
• WLOG, X is nonempty since if $X = \emptyset$ then X has 0 elements but $\mathcal{P}(X) = \{\emptyset\}$ has 1 element so \nexists surjection from X onto $\mathcal{P}(X)$.

• So let X be nonempty.

• BWOC, assume \exists a surjection

$$f: X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X). \tag{*}$$

<WTF \rightarrow \leftarrow >



• Consider the subset D of X defined by

$$D = \{x \in X : \overbrace{x}^{\text{elt}} \notin \overbrace{f(x)}^{\text{set}}\} \tag{1}$$

<So $x \in D \Leftrightarrow x$ maps to a set that does NOT contain x > \leftarrow brilliant idea of Cantor!

• Since $D \in \mathcal{P}(X)$ and $f: X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ is surj., $\exists x_0 \in X$ st

$$f(x_0) = D. \tag{2}$$

• Claim 1 $x_0 \notin D$

$$\leftarrow [\text{BWOC, assume } \underline{x_0 \in D}] \xrightarrow{\text{def of } D} x_0 \notin f(x_0) \xrightarrow{\text{def of } f} \underline{x_0 \notin D} \rightarrow \leftarrow$$

• Claim 2 $x_0 \in D$

$$\leftarrow [\text{BWOC, assume } \underline{x_0 \notin D}] \xrightarrow{\text{def of } D} x_0 \in f(x_0) \xrightarrow{\text{def of } f} \underline{x_0 \in D} \rightarrow \leftarrow$$

• Claim 1 and Claim 2 gives

$$x_0 \in D^c \cap D = \emptyset,$$

<note: Claim 1 says $x_0 \in D^c$ >

which is a contradiction.

Thus the original assumption in (*) is false.

Thus \nexists a surj. $f: X \xrightarrow{\text{onto}} \mathcal{P}(X)$. ■

Cor If X is a set, then $X \approx \mathcal{P}(X)$.