

# IT-math F2003 : Classroom Exercises

## Episode 7, March 18, 2003

1. Draw the Hasse diagrams of
  - (a)  $(\text{Div}(45), |)$ ;
  - (b)  $(\mathcal{P}(\{1\}), \subseteq)$ .
2. Determine whether the following are equivalence relations on  $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ . If the relation is an equivalence relation, write down its equivalence classes, and the corresponding partition of  $X$ :
  - (a)  $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5), (1, 3), (3, 1)\}$ ;
  - (b)  $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4)\}$ .
3. Is  $\{\{1, 3, 5\}, \{2, 4\}\}$  a partition of  $\{1, \dots, 5\}$ ? If it is, write down the equivalence classes of the corresponding equivalence relation.
4. Let the relation  $R$  on  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  be defined by

$$(m, n) R (m', n') \iff m \cdot n' = m' \cdot n.$$

Is  $R$  an equivalence relation?

# IT-math F2003 : Homework Exercises

## Episode 7, March 18, 2003

### Fisherperson's Exercises

1. Draw the Hasse diagrams of
  - (a)  $(\text{Div}(180), |)$ ;
  - (b)  $(\mathcal{P}(\{0, 1, 2, 3\}), \subseteq)$ .
2. Determine if
  - (a)  $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5), (1, 3), (3, 1), (3, 4), (4, 3)\}$ ;
  - (b)  $\{(1, 1), (1, 4), (4, 1), (2, 2), (2, 5), (5, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5)\}$are equivalence relations on  $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ . Draw the matrices of both relations. For equivalence relations, write down the corresponding partition(s).
3. Determine if  $\{\{n\} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a partition of  $\mathbb{N}$ .

### Snake-Charmer's Exercises

1. Given an equivalence relation  $E$  on a set  $X$ , recall the set
$$X/E = \{[x]_E \mid x \in X\}, \quad \text{where } [x]_E = \{y \in X \mid y E x\}.$$
Write down a careful proof that  $X/E$  is a partition of  $X$ .
2. Suppose the relation  $R$  on a set  $X$  is a partial ordering as well as an equivalence relation. Show that for  $x, y \in X$ , one has  $x R y$  iff  $x = y$ .
3. Suppose  $E$  is an equivalence relation on a set  $X$  with  $|X| = 12$ , and  $E$  has two (distinct) equivalence classes each containing 5 elements, and an equivalence class with two elements. Calculate  $|E|$ , the total number of pairs in  $E$ .

### Lion-Hunter's Exercises

1. Let the relation  $R$  on  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$  be defined by
$$(m, n) R (m', n') \iff m \cdot n' = m' \cdot n.$$
Is  $R$  an equivalence relation?
2. Let  $X$  be a set and  $Y \subseteq X$ . Define a relation  $R$  on  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  by
$$A R B \iff A \Delta B \subseteq Y.$$
(Recall that  $\Delta$  is the symmetric difference:  $A \Delta B = (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B)$ .) Show that  $R$  is an equivalence relation on  $\mathcal{P}(X)$ .
3. Suppose  $|X| = 4$ . Consider the set  $\mathcal{E}$  of all equivalence relations on  $X$ . This set is partially ordered by  $\subseteq$ . Draw the Hasse diagram of the poset  $(\mathcal{E}, \subseteq)$ .

### Dragonslayer's Exercise

1. For  $n, k \in \mathbb{N}_+$  with  $k \leq n$ , let  $\left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} n \\ k \end{smallmatrix} \right\}$  be the number of equivalence relations on a set with  $n$  elements having exactly  $k$  equivalence classes (these are known as *Stirling numbers of the second kind*).
  - (a) Show that  $\left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} n \\ 1 \end{smallmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} n \\ n \end{smallmatrix} \right\} = 1$ ;
  - (b) For  $1 \leq k < n$ , show that  $\left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} n+1 \\ k+1 \end{smallmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} n \\ k \end{smallmatrix} \right\} + (k+1) \cdot \left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} n \\ k+1 \end{smallmatrix} \right\}$ ;
  - (c) Compute  $\left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{smallmatrix} \right\}$ ;
  - (d) For  $n \geq 2$ , show that  $\left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} n \\ 2 \end{smallmatrix} \right\} = 2^{n-1} - 1$ ;
  - (e) For  $n \geq 2$ , show that  $\left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} n \\ n-1 \end{smallmatrix} \right\} = \binom{n}{2}$ .