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Equivalence Relations

Quotient Space

Let X be a set and $\sim$ be an equivalence relation on X

Take $x \in X \rightarrow$ define the corresponding coset
 $[x] = \{y \in X : y \sim x\}$

If $[x], [y]$, then there are only 2 possibilities:

1. $[x] \cap [y] = \emptyset$
2. $[x] = [y]$

All cosets are disjoint

PF If $[x] \cap [y] \neq \emptyset$

$$\Rightarrow \exists z \in X \text{ s.t. } z \in [x], z \in [y]$$
$$z \sim x \quad z \sim y$$

$\Rightarrow x \sim y$ by transitivity

Then if $w \in [x] \Rightarrow w \sim x$

$$\stackrel{x \sim y}{\Rightarrow} w \sim y \Rightarrow w \in [y]$$

and if $w \in [y] \Rightarrow w \in [x]$

$$\Rightarrow [x] = [y]$$

Example:

$\mathbb{Q}$ - rational numbers

$$p/q \sim r/s \text{ iff } ps = rq$$

p/q - fraction

The collection of all cosets is a quotient space $X/\sim$



All elements of a coset are representations of the same object

Example continued:

$$\mathbb{Q} = \{p/q : p, q \in \mathbb{Z}\} / \sim$$

different fractions represent one rational #

Example:

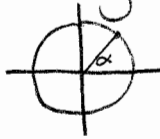
$\mathbb{R}$

$$x \sim y \Leftrightarrow x - y \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$\mathbb{R}/\sim$ is a circle

$\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$

Position on a circle is determined by an angle



$$x \cdot 2\pi \leftrightarrow \text{angle}$$

A relation is a set

Formally, $(x, y) \in R$

Relation notation: $x R y$

Ex ~~$2, 3 \in \mathbb{Z}$~~

$$2 < 3$$

Partial Order $\rightarrow$ read about this in the textbook

Function

Informal definition: $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a triple:

1. X - domain
2. Y - target space, codomain
3. "rule" f that assigns to each $x \in X$ an unique element $y \in Y$ such that $y = f(x)$

More formal definition: $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a triple:

1. X - domain
2. Y - codomain
3. f - a relation on $X \times Y$ s.t. $\forall x \in X \exists! y \in Y$ s.t. xfy
 $y = f(x) \leftarrow$ function notation

Def $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is called

1. Injective if $\forall x_1, x_2 \in X \quad x_1 \neq x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$
 $\hookrightarrow$ 1-1, into
2. Surjective if $\forall y \in Y \exists x \in X$ s.t. $y = f(x)$
 $\hookrightarrow$ onto
3. Bijective = injective AND surjective

Examples:

1. $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = x^2$

not injective $\rightarrow f(-x) = f(x)$

not surjective $\rightarrow \nexists x$ s.t. $f(x) = -1$

$$2. f: \underbrace{[0, \infty)}_{\mathbb{R}_+} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = x^2$$

injective, not surjective

$$3. f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \quad f(x) = x^2$$

surjective, not injective

$$4. f: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \quad f(x) = x^2$$

bijjective

f is a function

$f(x)$ is the value (of f) at x

Technically, need to consider $x \mapsto x^2 + \sin x$ rather than $x^2 + \sin x$ and to define the domain and target space

$$f: X \rightarrow Y$$

$$f(X) = \{y \in Y : \exists x \in X \ f(x) = y\}$$

$\hookrightarrow$ range or image of f (Ran f or Im f)

Homework: Sections 1.1, 1.3

Read 1.2

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In example 1

$$\text{Ran } f = \mathbb{R}_+$$