

Functions and Relations

Functions (map, mapping) $f: A \rightarrow B$
 $x \mapsto f(x)$

injective: $x \neq y \Rightarrow f(x) \neq f(y)$

surjective: for all $y \in B$ there is $x \in A$: $f(x) = y$
 or: $f(A) = B$

bijection: injective + surjective
 (one-to-one)

$|A| = |B| \Leftrightarrow$ exists bijection $f: A \rightarrow B$
 A, B finite

Examples:

- $f: A \rightarrow A, x \mapsto x$ inj surj bij
 (identity mapping) x x x
- sin: $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow [-1, 1]$ x
- $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}, x \mapsto x+1$ x

Relations S a set, relation is written as " \sim ".
 For $x, y \in S$ either $x \sim y$ (relation holds)

or $x \not\sim y$ (" does not hold")

Examples: $S = \mathbb{R}$, " \sim " = " $=$ " or " \sim " = " \leq "

Equivalence relation: for $x, y, z \in S$

a.) $x \sim x$ reflexive

b.) $x \sim y \Rightarrow y \sim x$ symmetric

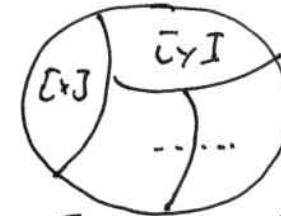
c.) $x \sim y$ and $y \sim z \Rightarrow x \sim z$ transitive

equivalence class: $[x] = \{y \in S \mid y \sim x\}$
 ↑ representative

$x, y \in S$: either $[x] \cap [y] = \emptyset$ (when $x \not\sim y$)
 or $[x] = [y]$ (when $x \sim y$)

As a consequence, \sim yields a "partition" of S :

$$S = \bigcup_{x \in S} [x], \quad S =$$



Partition: A set of subsets $S_\alpha \subset S$ such that

$$S_\alpha \cap S_\beta = \emptyset \quad \text{for } \alpha \neq \beta$$

$$\bigcup_\alpha S_\alpha = S$$

$$\text{all } S_\alpha \neq \emptyset$$

Notation: $S/\sim = \{\bar{x} | x \in S\}$ is the partition induced by \sim

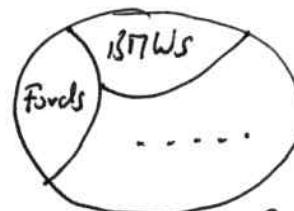
Conversely, let $S = \bigcup_\alpha S_\alpha$ be a partition of S .

Then $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow x, y \in S_\alpha$ for some α
is an equ. rel.

equivalence relations on $S \iff$ partitions of S

Examples:

- $S = \{\text{cars}\}$, " \sim " = "is the same make as"
partition S/\sim :



- $S = \mathbb{R}$, " \sim " = " $=$ ", $[x] = \{x\}$
- $S = \mathbb{R}$, " \sim " = " \leq ", reflexive \checkmark , transitive \checkmark , symmetric \checkmark
- $S = \mathbb{Z}$, $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow n \mid (x-y)$
 $[x] = \{ \dots, x-n, x, x+n, x+2n, \dots \}$ a residue class modulo n

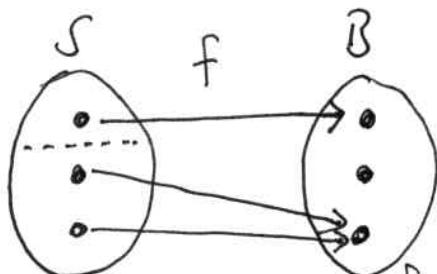
partition:

$$\mathbb{Z}/\sim = \mathbb{Z}/_n\mathbb{Z} :$$



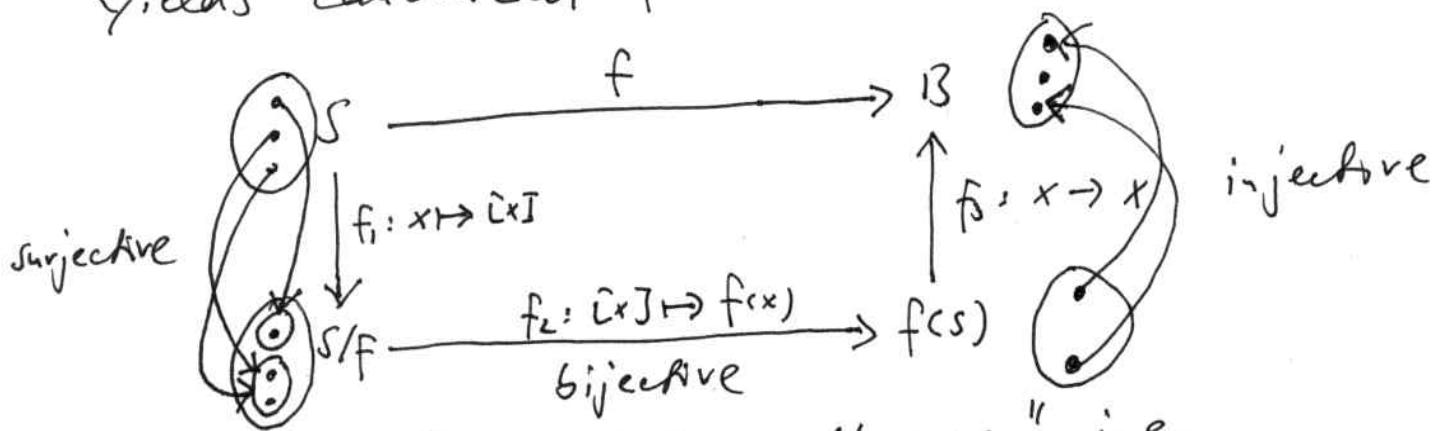
explained later

- $f: S \rightarrow B$ a function, $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow f(x) = f(y)$
 (equ. rel. induced by f)
 $[x] = \{y \in S \mid f(y) = f(x)\}$



$$S/\sim = S/f \quad (\text{notation})$$

yields "canonical factorization" of f :



This is a "commutative diagram," i.e.
 $f = f_3 \circ f_2 \circ f_1$

The issue of well-defined

Consider: $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} = \{[0], [1], [2]\}$

$$\begin{aligned} f: \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} &\rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \\ [i] &\mapsto [\text{floor}(i/2)] \\ [0] &\mapsto [0], [1] \mapsto [1], [2] \mapsto [2] \\ &\quad \| \qquad \| \\ &\quad [4] \mapsto [2] \end{aligned}$$

inherent contradiction
 f not "well-defined"

Cause of trouble:

The same element in $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ has different names
 (i.e. "representations")

Other example:

set = collection of objects without repetition
 is not well-defined? (Russell paradox)

set theory: 1874 - Georg Cantor 1845-1918)

Russell paradox: 1901 (Bertrand Russell 1872-1970)

$S = \text{set of all sets}, S = A \cup B, A \cap B = \emptyset$

$A = \{X \in S \mid X \in X\} \quad B \in A \Rightarrow B \in B$

$B = \{X \in S \mid X \notin X\} \quad B \in B \Rightarrow B \notin B$

(Abstract) algebra: Overview

(Binary) operation (two types):
a.) on a set S : $\cdot: S \times S \rightarrow S$

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{could be} \end{array} \quad (x, y) \mapsto xy$$

b.) \mathbb{R} operates on S : $\cdot: \mathbb{R} \times S \rightarrow S$

$$(x, y) \mapsto xy$$

Examples:

$$\mathbb{Z}, + \checkmark$$

$$\mathbb{Z}, \cdot \checkmark$$

$$\{\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}\}, \cdot \checkmark$$

$$\{\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}\}, + \checkmark$$

$$\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\alpha, \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \alpha \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x \\ \alpha y \end{pmatrix}$$

[Algebra studies algebraic structures
= sets with operations]

group ring field vector space algebra module
 (G, \cdot) $(\mathbb{R}, ; +)$ $(F, ; +)$ $(V, +), \therefore F \times V \rightarrow V$ (ring + vector space) $(M, +), \therefore A \times M \rightarrow M$
 $(A, +, \cdot)$, $\therefore F \times A \rightarrow F$

example: $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ $(\mathbb{Z}, ; +)$ $(\mathbb{R}, ; +)$ $F = \mathbb{R}, V = \mathbb{R}^2$ $F = \mathbb{R}, A = \mathbb{R}[x]$ $A = M = \mathbb{R}[x]$

set of polynomials
with real coefficients

Groups

[Group definition] (G, \cdot) , "•" operation on G such that

a.) $a(bc) = (ab)c$ associative

b.) there is a neutral element e in G : $ae = ea = a, a \in G$

c.) for $a \in G$ there is an inverse a^{-1} : $aa^{-1} = a^{-1}a = e$

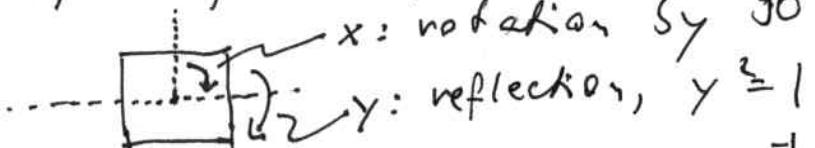
G is called "abelian" or "commutative" if

d.) $ab = ba$

Lemma: e and inverse are unique

Examples: $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$, (\mathbb{Q}, \cdot) , (\mathbb{Z}, \cdot) is not

Generators

- $\langle x \rangle_{\text{grp}} = \{ \dots, x^{-1}, x^0=1, x, x^2, \dots \} = C_\infty$ infinite cyclic group
- \mathbb{Z} with " $+$ " = $\langle 1 \rangle_{\text{grp}}$
- $\langle x | x^4=1 \rangle = \{x^0=1, x, x^2, \dots, x^{4-1}\} = C_4$ cyclic group of order 4
↑ generator ↑ relation size
- symmetry transformations of the square:


x: rotation by 90° , $x^4=1$
y: reflection, $y^2=1$

further $xy = yx^{-1}$

group $D_8 = \langle x, y | x^4=y^2=1, xy=yx^{-1} \rangle$