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Question: If  $B = \{1, 2, 3\}$ , what are the possible equivalence relations on  $B$

Solution:  $(1,1), (2,2), (3,3)$  must be in any relation.

$R_1 = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3)\}$  ← the equals relation.

$R_2 = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (1,2), (2,1)\}$

$R_3 = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (2,3), (3,2)\}$

$R_4 = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (1,3), (3,1)\}$

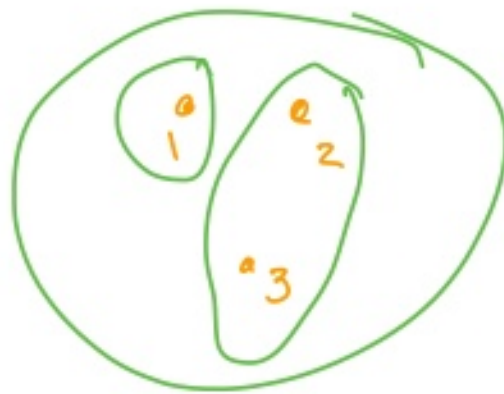
$R_5 = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (1,2), (2,1), (2,3), (3,2), (1,3), (3,1)\}$  ← everything equal  
 $= B \times B$



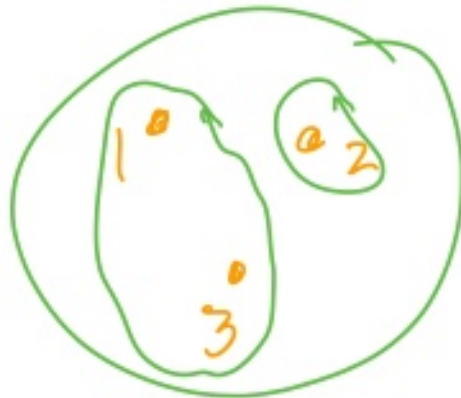
$R_2$



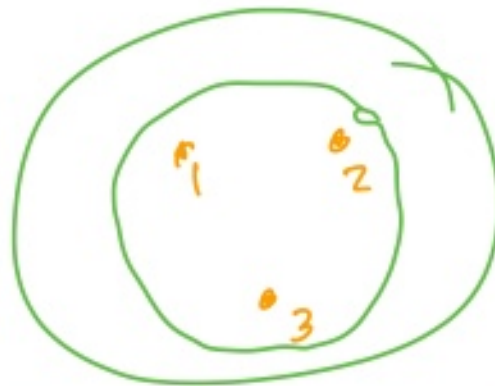
$R_3$



$R_4$



$R_5$



everything is equal.

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An equivalence relation on a set  $S$  is actually a partition of the set into disjoint subsets  $S = \cup S_j = \coprod S_j$ , where all the things in the disjoint subsets  $S_j$  are equivalent to each other.

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The subsets  $S_j$  are called equivalence classes.

Important example: An equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{Z}$  is called "mod  $n$ ", where  $n$  is a fixed integer. We say, if  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  
 $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  if  $(a-b) = kn$  for some integer  $k$ .

Example Mod 3 equivalence on  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

$$1 \equiv 4 \pmod{3} \text{ because } (-4) = -3 = (-1)3.$$

$$1 \equiv 16 \pmod{3} \text{ because } (-16) = -15 = (-5)3.$$

The equivalence classes are

$$S_0 = \{0, 3, -3, 6, -6, 9, -9, \dots\} = 3\mathbb{Z}$$

$$S_1 = \{1, 4, -2, 7, -5, \dots\} = 1 + 3\mathbb{Z}.$$

$$S_2 = \{2, 5, -1, 8, -4, \dots\} = 2 + 3\mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\mathbb{Z} = S_0 \sqcup S_1 \sqcup S_2$$

$$(5+7) \equiv 5 \pmod{3} + 7 \pmod{3}$$

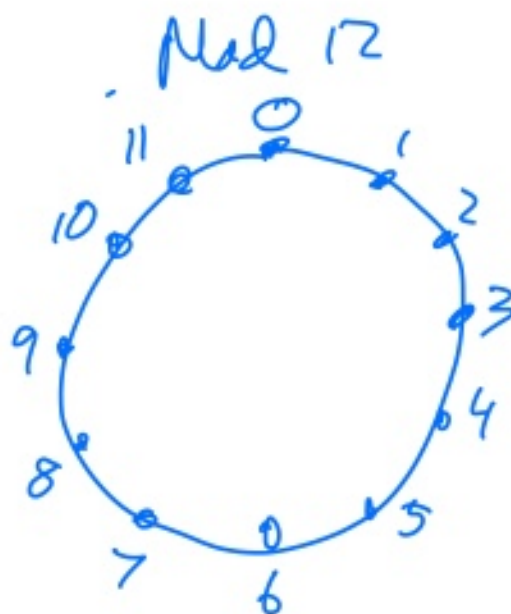
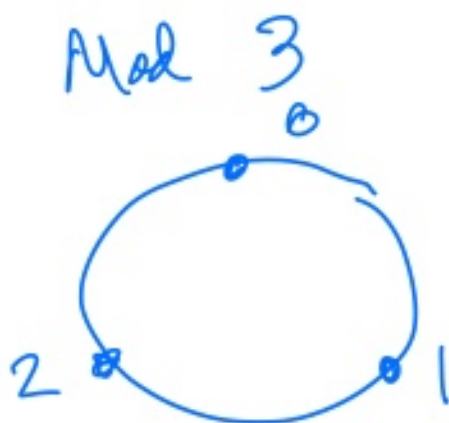
$$= 2 \pmod{3} + 1 \pmod{3} \equiv 3 \pmod{3} \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

$$(5 \cdot 7) \equiv (2 \cdot 1) \pmod{3} \equiv 2 \pmod{3}.$$

Example: Clock mod 12.

3 AM + 27 hours  $\rightarrow$  6 o'clock

$$(3 + 27) \bmod 12 \equiv (3 + 3) \bmod 12 = 6 \bmod 12.$$



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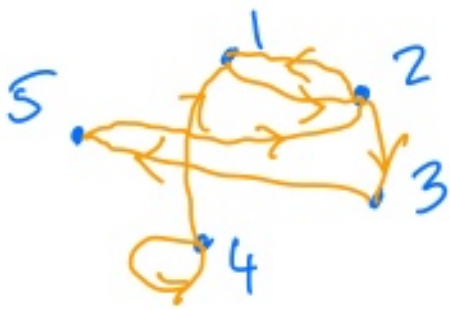
(Matrix Representations of Binary Relations  
Graph Representations of Binary Relations.)

$$\text{Set } S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$$

$$\text{Relation } R = \{(1, 2), (2, 1), (3, 5), (4, 4), (4, 1), (5, 2), (2, 3)\}$$

Graphical representation

(vertex for each element of  $S$ ).  $(a, b) \in R \iff$  there is a directed edge from  $a$  to  $b$ .



Graph of the Relation R.

Matrix Representation: If  $S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}$   
 $R = \{(s_i, s_j) \dots\}$

Rows & columns - correspond to the elements of  $S$ .  
 $(s_i, s_j) \in R \Leftrightarrow$  matrix  $M_{ij} = 1$   
 otherwise  $M_{ij} = 0$

example

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

$$R = \{(1, 2), (2, 1), (3, 5), (4, 4), (4, 1), (5, 2), (2, 3)\}$$

$\Rightarrow M_R \leftarrow$  matrix rep<sup>n</sup> of  
 of the relation R

$$M_R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$