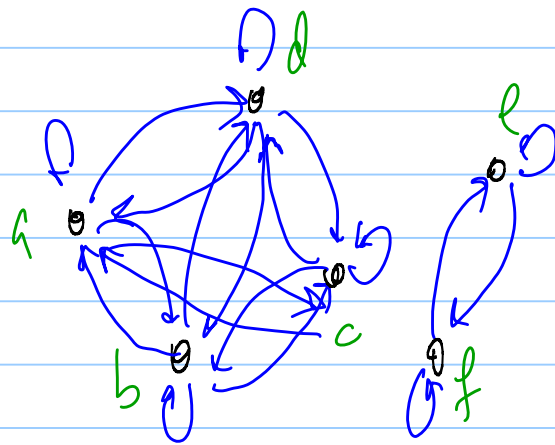


Equivalence Relations:

Binary Relation on a set A
that is: symmetric, transitive, reflexive.

if xRy then $x \sim y$
"x is equivalent to y".



equivalence relation.

$$6 \bmod 5 = 1.$$

Ex

Domain: $\mathbb{Z}$ $x \sim y$ if $x \bmod 5 = y \bmod 5$

reflexive $x \sim x$ $x \bmod 5 = x \bmod 5 \checkmark$

Symmetric $x \sim y \Rightarrow y \sim x$ $x \bmod 5 = y \bmod 5$

transitive $x \sim y \wedge y \sim z \Rightarrow x \sim z$ $x \bmod 5 = y \bmod 5$
 $y \bmod 5 = z \bmod 5 \checkmark$
 then $x \bmod 5 = z \bmod 5$

Domain: Set of people $x \sim y$ if x & y have same mother.

refl $x \sim x$

symmetric $x \sim y \rightarrow y \sim x$.

transitive $x \sim y \wedge y \sim z \Rightarrow x \sim z$.

$x \sim y$ if x & y share a parent. X is an equiv relation.
 x & y have same mother
 y & z have same father
 x & z do not share a parent.

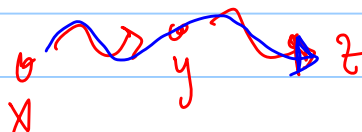
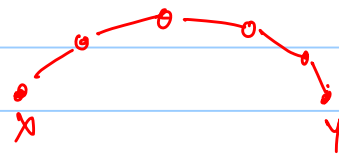
Communication network: Vertices = processors.
two way communication links.

$x \sim y$ if x is reachable from y via a communication path.

$x \sim x$ reflexive.

$x \sim y \Rightarrow y \sim x$

$x \sim y \wedge y \sim z \Rightarrow x \sim z$.



if x is in the domain

$$[x] = \{y \mid x \sim y\}$$

Claim: A) if $x \sim y$ then $[x] = [y]$
B) if $x \not\sim y$ then $[x] \cap [y] = \emptyset$

A) Suppose $x \sim y$ then any $z \in [x]$ is also in $[y]$

$$x \sim z \quad (\text{because } z \in [x])$$

$$x \sim y = y \sim x$$

$$\Rightarrow y \sim z \text{ and } z \in [y]$$



B) Proof by contrapositive

Suppose $\exists z \in [x] \cap [y]$ (i.e. $[x] \cap [y] \neq \emptyset$)

$$z \sim x \text{ and } z \sim y$$

$$x \sim z \wedge z \sim y \Rightarrow x \sim y = \neg(x \not\sim y)$$

$[x] = [y]$
The set of all distinct equivalence classes
forms a partition of the domain.

The Domain: $\mathbb{Z}$

$$x \sim y \text{ if } x \bmod 5 = y \bmod 5$$

Equiv classes: $[0] [1] [2] [4] [3]$
 $[7]$

