

Equivalences Induced by $(n, 1)$, $(n, n - 1)$ and (n, k) - Equivalences $(1 < k < n - 1)$

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Abstract – In this paper we generate equivalences induced by $(n, 1)$, $(n, n - 1)$ and (n, k) -equivalences $(1 < k < n - 1)$. The connections between such equivalences are proved. Moreover, properties of (n, m) - relations are investigated, and especially properties of relations induced from other relations, namely (n, m) - equivalence relations. Couple of examples are given for generalized equivalences.

Keywords – (n, m) - equivalence, $(n, 1)$, $(n, n - 1)$ and (n, k) -equivalence.

I. INTRODUCTION

The notion of n -partition of set, introduced by Hartmanis, is closely connected with the notion of generalized equivalence relation that can be found in Pickett [1]. Several generalizations of the notion of equivalence relation are given in [2], [3] and [4]. In [5] the notion of (n, m) -equivalence relation is introduced. On the other hand, geometrical problems in metric spaces and their axiomatic classification are considered in [6], [7] and [8]. In [9] the notion of (n, m) -equivalence relation is used to introduce the notion of (n, m, ρ) - metrics, where ρ is an (n, m) - equivalence relation. In this paper the properties of (n, m) - relations are investigated, and specially properties of relations induced from other relations, namely (n, m) - equivalence relations. The relationships between (n, m) -equivalence relations and some characteristic properties are examined, for different n, m . (n, m) - equivalence relation is considered on finite and infinite sets and some examples are given. The generalization of equivalences is presented with four

theorems. Moreover, equivalences induced by $(n, 1)$, $(n, n - 1)$ and (n, k) - equivalences $1 < k < n - 1$ are given.

II. DEFINITIONS OF (n, m) -EQUIVALENCES AND EXAMPLES

Here we give some basic definitions and properties that are needed to introduce the new notions and to examine correspondent properties. First we give definitions for symmetric and reflexive relation on M , transitive (n, m) -relation on M and (n, m) -equivalence on M . Also, examples are given for these new notions.

Let n, m be two positive integers, such that $n - m = k \geq 1$ and let M be a nonempty set. With M^n we denote the n -th Cartesian product of M . The elements $\mathbf{x} \in M^n$ are sequences (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) , $x_i \in M$. We denote the elements by $x_1 x_2 \dots x_n$ or by x_i^n and the sequence $(x, x, \dots, x) \in M^n$ with $\overset{n}{x}$.

Definition 2.1. n -th – permutation product of M , that is n -th symmetric product of M is the set $M^{(n)} = M / \sim$, where \sim is an equivalence relation defined on M^n with:

$$x_1^n \sim y_1^n \Leftrightarrow (x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

is a permutation of (y_1, \dots, y_n) .

We will use the same notation $\mathbf{x} = a_i^n$ for the elements in $M^{(n)}$ considering that $a_i^n = b_i^n$ in $M^{(n)}$ for $a_i, b_i \in M$ if and only if (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) is a permutation of (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) .

Definition 2.2. A subset ρ of $M^{(n)}$ is called **symmetric n -relation** on M . Symmetric n -relation on M is called a **reflexive n -relation** on M if for each $a \in M$, $a^n = (a, \dots, a)$ is in ρ . A symmetric n -relation on M is called a **transitive, (n, m) -relation** on M , i.e. (n, m) -transitive, if for each $\mathbf{x} \in M^{(n)}$ and each $\mathbf{b} \in M^{(m)}$,

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(s.t. $\mathbf{u}\mathbf{b} \in \rho$ for each $\mathbf{u} \in M^{(k)}$, $n = m+k$, with $\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{x}$) implies $\mathbf{x} \in \rho$.

A reflexive n - relation on M which is (n, m) - transitive is called (n, m) - **equivalence** on M .

Remark 2.1. With these notations $(2, 1)$ - equivalence is the usual notation for equivalence.

Examples 2.1.

a) The set $\Delta = \{x^n \mid x \in M\}$ is (n, m) - equivalence on M for any $1 \leq m < n$.

b) The set $\nabla = \{(x, x, y) \mid x, y \in M\}$ is $(3, 1)$ - equivalence on M .

c) The set $\nabla_1 = \{(x, x, x, y) \mid x, y \in M\}$ is $(4, t)$ - equivalence on M for $t = 1, 2$.

d) The set $\nabla_2 = \{(x, x, y, y) \mid x, y \in M\}$ is $(4, t)$ - equivalence on M for $t = 1, 2, 3$.

e) The set $\text{Col} = \{(A, B, C) \mid A, B, C \text{ are collinear points in } E^2\}$ is $(3, 1)$ - equivalence on E^2 where E^2 is the Euclidean plane.

f) The set $\text{Com} = \{(A, B, C, D) \mid A, B, C, D \text{ are coplanar points in } E^3\}$ is $(4, 1)$ - equivalence on E^3 where E^3 is the Euclidean 3 - dimensional space.

III. EQUIVALENCES INDUCED BY $(n, 1)$, $(n, n-1)$ AND (n, k) - EQUIVALENCES ($1 < k < n-1$)

Let $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in M^{(n+1)}$ and let

$$\mathbf{x}(i) = (x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in M^{(n)},$$

$$\mathbf{x}(i)(j) = \mathbf{x}(j)(i) = \mathbf{x}(i, j) \in M^{(n-1)} \text{ for } i \neq j.$$

Proposition 3.1. Let $\rho \subseteq M^{(n)}$. If ρ is $(n, 1)$ - equivalence on M , then $\psi(\rho) \subseteq M^{(n+1)}$ defined by

$$\mathbf{x} \in \psi(\rho) \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}(i) \in \rho \text{ for each } i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\} \quad (1)$$

is $(n+1, 1)$ and $(n+1, 2)$ - equivalence on M .

Proof. 1^0 It is obvious that for $\rho \subseteq M^{(n)}$, $\psi(\rho)$ is an $(n+1, 1)$ - equivalence on M .

2^0 We will check whether $\psi(\rho)$ is $(n+1, 2)$ - equivalence on M . Let $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, a_2)$ and let $\mathbf{a}\mathbf{x}(i, j) \in \psi(\rho)$ for any $1 \leq i \neq j \leq n+1$. We will prove that $\mathbf{x} \in \psi(\rho)$.

Since $\mathbf{a}\mathbf{x}(i, j) \in \psi(\rho)$ for any $1 \leq i \neq j \leq n+1$, it follows that $a_1 \mathbf{x}(i, j) \in \rho$.

For fixed i_0 and for each $j \neq i_0$, $a_1 \mathbf{x}(i_0, j) \in \rho$. Since ρ is $(n, 1)$ - equivalence on M , we get that $\mathbf{x}(i_0) \in \rho$ for each $i_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$. According to definition (1), that means that $\mathbf{x} \in \psi(\rho)$. It follows $\psi(\rho)$ is $(n+1, 2)$ - equivalence on M . ♦

Proposition 3.2. Let $\rho \subseteq M^{(n)}$. If ρ is $(n, n-1)$ - equivalence on M , then $\psi(\rho) \subseteq M^{(n+1)}$ is $(n+1, t)$ - equivalence on M for $1 < t \leq n$.

In the proof of Proposition 3.2, we will use the following Proposition 3.3.

Proposition 3.3. Let $\rho \subseteq M^{(n)}$. If ρ is $(n, n-1)$ - equivalence on M , then ρ is $(n, n-k)$ - equivalence on M for $2 \leq k \leq n-1$.

Proof. Let ρ is $(n, n-1)$ - equivalence on M . Let

$$(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_k), (a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k+1}), \dots,$$

$$(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_n),$$

⋮

$$(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-2}, x_k, x_{k+1}),$$

$$(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-2}, x_k, x_{k+2}), \dots,$$

$$(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-2}, x_k, x_n),$$

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$$(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k+1}, x_{k+2}),$$

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$$(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k+1}, x_n),$$

$$(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_k, x_{k+2}), (a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_k, x_{k+3}), \dots,$$

$$(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_k, x_n),$$

⋮

$$(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_{n-k+1}, x_{n-k+2}, \dots, x_n) \in \rho.$$

We want to check if $(\underbrace{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n}_{n-k}) \in \rho$?

Since

$$(\underbrace{a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k+1}, x_k}_{n-1}), \dots, (\underbrace{a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k+1}, x_k}_{n-1}),$$

$$(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k+1}, x_1) \in \rho \text{ and } \rho \text{ is } (n, n-1) -$$

equivalence on M , we conclude that $(\underbrace{x_k, \dots, x_k, x_1}_{n-1}) \in \rho$.

Analogously:

$$(\underbrace{a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k+1}, x_k}_{n-1}), \dots, (\underbrace{a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k+1}, x_k}_{n-1}),$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& (a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k+1}, x_2) \in \rho \Rightarrow \underbrace{(x_k, \dots, x_k, x_2)}_{n-1} \in \rho. \\
& \vdots \\
& \underbrace{(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-2}, x_{k+1}, x_k), \dots, (a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-2}, x_{k+1}, x_k))}_{n-1}, \\
& (a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-2}, x_{k+1}, x_{k-1}) \in \rho \Rightarrow \underbrace{(x_k, \dots, x_k, x_{k-1})}_{n-1} \in \rho. \\
& \underbrace{(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k+2}, x_k), \dots, (a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k+2}, x_k))}_{n-1}, \\
& (a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k+2}, x_{k+1}) \in \rho \\
& \Rightarrow \underbrace{(x_k, \dots, x_k, x_{k+1})}_{n-1} \in \rho. \\
& \vdots \\
& \underbrace{(a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_k), \dots, (a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_k))}_{n-1}, \\
& (a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_n) \in \rho \Rightarrow \underbrace{(x_k, \dots, x_k, x_n)}_{n-1} \in \rho.
\end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
& \underbrace{(x_k, \dots, x_k, x_1)}_{n-1}, \underbrace{(x_k, \dots, x_k, x_2)}_{n-1}, \dots, \underbrace{(x_k, \dots, x_k, x_k)}_{n-1}, \\
& \underbrace{(x_k, \dots, x_k, x_{k+1})}_{n-1}, \dots, \underbrace{(x_k, \dots, x_k, x_n)}_{n-1} \in \rho
\end{aligned}$$

and ρ is $(n, n-1)$ -equivalence on M , it follows that $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \rho$. ♦

Proof of Proposition 3.2. We define $\psi(\rho) \subseteq M^{(n+1)}$ by (1).

Let $t = n$. We will check if $\psi(\rho)$ is $(n+1, n)$ -equivalence on M . Let $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$, $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})$ and let $\mathbf{a} \mathbf{x}_i \in \psi(\rho)$ for each $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$. We will prove that $\mathbf{x} \in \psi(\rho)$.

Since $x_i \in \psi(\rho)$ for each $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$, we can conclude that $\mathbf{a} (n) x_i \in \rho$. But ρ is $(n, n-1)$ -equivalence on M , so $\mathbf{x} (t) \in \rho$ for each $t \in \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$ and by the definition (1) it means that $\mathbf{x} \in \psi(\rho)$. Consequently, $\psi(\rho)$ is $(n+1, n)$ -equivalence on M . According to the Proposition 3.3., $\psi(\rho)$ is also $(n+1, t)$ -equivalence on M for $1 \leq t \leq n-1$. ♦

Proposition 3.4. Let $\rho \subseteq M^{(n)}$. If ρ is (n, k) -equivalence on M ($1 < k < n-1$), then $\psi(\rho) \subseteq M^{(n+1)}$ is $(n+1, k-1)$, $(n+1, k)$ and $(n+1, k+1)$ -equivalence on M .

Proof. We define $\psi(\rho) \subseteq M^{(n+1)}$ with (1).

^{1°} We will check that $\psi(\rho)$ is $(n+1, k-1)$ -equivalence on M . Let $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_{k-1})$, $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})$ and let $\mathbf{a} \mathbf{x} (i_1, \dots, i_{k-1}) \in \psi(\rho)$ for each $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_{k-1} \leq n+1$. We will prove that $\mathbf{x} \in \psi(\rho)$.

Since

$$\mathbf{a} \mathbf{x} (i_1, \dots, i_{k-1}) \in \psi(\rho)$$

for each $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_{k-1} \leq n+1$, it follows that

$$\mathbf{a} \mathbf{x} (j_1, \dots, j_k) \in \rho$$

for each $1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_k \leq n+1$.

For fixed i_0 , $\mathbf{a} \mathbf{x} (j_1, \dots, j_k) = \mathbf{a} \mathbf{x}_{i_0} \mathbf{x} (i_0, j_1, \dots, j_k) \in \rho$ for each $1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_k \leq n+1$ and $j_s \neq i_0$. Since ρ is (n, k) -equivalence on M , we get that $\mathbf{x} (i_0) \in \rho$ for each $i_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$. Then from the definition (1) we have that $\mathbf{x} \in \psi(\rho)$. It follows that $\psi(\rho)$ is $(n+1, k-1)$ -equivalence on M .

^{2°} Next, we will check if $\psi(\rho)$ is $(n+1, k)$ -equivalence on M . Let $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_k)$, $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})$ and let $\mathbf{a} \mathbf{x} (i_1, \dots, i_k) \in \psi(\rho)$ for each $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq n+1$. We will prove that $\mathbf{x} \in \psi(\rho)$.

Since

$$\mathbf{a} \mathbf{x} (i_1, \dots, i_k) \in \psi(\rho)$$

for each $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq n+1$, it follows that for a fixed i_0 , $\mathbf{a} \mathbf{x} (i_0, j_1, \dots, j_k) \in \rho$ for each $1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_k \leq n+1$ and $j_s \neq i_0$. But ρ is (n, k) -equivalence on M , so $\mathbf{x} (i_0) \in \rho$ for each $i_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$. From the definition (1), $\mathbf{x} \in \psi(\rho)$. It follows that $\psi(\rho)$ is $(n+1, k)$ -equivalence on M .

^{3°} We will also check if $\psi(\rho)$ is $(n+1, k+1)$ -equivalence on M .

Let $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_{k+1})$, $\mathbf{b} = (a_1, \dots, a_k)$, $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})$ and let

$$\mathbf{a} \mathbf{x} (i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in \psi(\rho)$$

for each $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_{k+1} \leq n+1$. We will prove that $\mathbf{x} \in \psi(\rho)$.

Since

$$\mathbf{a} \mathbf{x} (i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in \psi(\rho)$$

for each $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq n+1$, it follows that

$$\mathbf{b} \mathbf{x} (i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in \rho.$$

For fixed i_0 , we define $\mathbf{y}_0 = \mathbf{x} (i_0)$. Then, for each $1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_k \leq n+1$ and $j_s \neq i_0$,

$$\mathbf{b} \mathbf{y}_0 (j_1, \dots, j_k) = \mathbf{b} \mathbf{x} (i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in \rho.$$

IV. CONCLUSION

Since ρ is (n, k) - equivalence on M , we get that $y_0 \in \rho$ for each $i_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$, i.e. $x(i_0) \in \rho$ for each $i_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$. Then from the definition (1), $x \in \psi(\rho)$. It follows that $\psi(\rho)$ is $(n+1, k+1)$ - equivalence on M . ♦

Example 3.1. Let $M = \{a, b, c, d\}$. Let
 $\rho = \Delta \cup \{(a, a, a, a, b), (a, a, a, a, c), (a, a, a, a, d), (b, b, b, b, a),$
 $(b, b, b, b, c), (b, b, b, b, d), (c, c, c, c, a), (c, c, c, c, b),$
 $(c, c, c, c, d), (a, a, a, b, b), (a, a, a, c, c), (b, b, b, a, a),$
 $(b, b, b, c, c), (c, c, c, a, a), (c, c, c, b, b), (a, a, a, b, c),$
 $(a, a, a, b, d), (a, a, a, c, d), (b, b, b, a, c), (b, b, b, a, d),$
 $(b, b, b, c, d), (c, c, c, a, b), (c, c, c, a, d), (c, c, c, b, d),$
 $(a, a, b, b, c), (a, a, b, b, d), (a, a, c, c, b), (a, a, c, c, d),$
 $(b, b, c, c, a), (b, b, c, c, d), (a, a, b, c, d), (b, b, a, c, d), (c, c, a, b, d)\}$
 be $(5, 3)$ - equivalence on M . Then

$\psi(\rho) = \Delta \cup \{(a, a, a, a, a, b), (a, a, a, a, a, c), (a, a, a, a, a, d),$
 $(b, b, b, b, b, a), (b, b, b, b, b, c), (b, b, b, b, b, d),$
 $(c, c, c, c, c, a), (c, c, c, c, c, b), (c, c, c, c, c, d),$
 $(a, a, a, a, b, b), (a, a, a, a, c, c), (b, b, b, b, a, a),$
 $(b, b, b, b, c, c), (c, c, c, c, a, a), (c, c, c, c, b, b),$
 $(a, a, a, a, b, c), (a, a, a, a, b, d), (a, a, a, a, c, d),$
 $(b, b, b, b, a, c), (b, b, b, b, a, d), (b, b, b, b, c, d),$
 $(c, c, c, c, a, b), (c, c, c, c, a, d), (c, c, c, c, b, d),$
 $(a, a, a, b, b, b), (a, a, a, c, c, c), (b, b, b, c, c, c),$
 $(a, a, a, b, b, c), (a, a, a, b, b, d), (a, a, a, c, c, b),$
 $(a, a, a, c, c, d), (b, b, b, a, a, c), (b, b, b, a, a, d),$
 $(b, b, b, c, c, a), (b, b, b, c, c, d), (c, c, c, a, a, b),$
 $(c, c, c, a, a, d), (c, c, c, b, b, a), (c, c, c, b, b, d),$
 $(a, a, a, b, c, d), (b, b, b, a, c, d), (c, c, c, a, b, d),$
 $(a, a, b, b, c, c), (a, a, b, b, c, d), (a, a, c, c, b, d), (b, b, c, c, a, d)\}$

is $(6, 1)$, $(6, 2)$, $(6, 3)$ and $(6, 4)$ - equivalence on M , but it is not $(6, 5)$ - equivalence on M , because

$(a, a, a, a, a, a), (a, a, a, a, a, b), (a, a, a, a, a, b),$
 $(a, a, a, a, a, c), (a, a, a, a, a, d), (a, a, a, a, a, d) \in \psi(\rho),$
 but $(a, b, b, c, d, d) \notin \psi(\rho)$.

In this paper the notion of (n, m) - equivalence is given as a generalization of equivalences. Also, presented equivalences are good basis for modern algebraic and computer sciences. Moreover, using these (n, m) -equivalences new metric and metrizable spaces can be generated, which can be widely used in game theory.

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