



Exercise 1. Given $x \in \mathbb{R}$, we define $\lfloor x \rfloor$ to be the greatest integer less than or equal to x , i.e. $\lfloor x \rfloor = n \in \mathbb{Z}$ if and only if $n \leq x < n + 1$. $\lfloor x \rfloor$ is sometimes called the *floor function*. Let \sim be the equivalence relation of Exercise 8.3.1.

- a. Show that for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \sim (x - \lfloor x \rfloor)$.
- b. Use part a to show that $\mathbb{R}/\sim = \{[y] \mid y \in [0, 1)\}$, and that these classes are all distinct. Since $[0] = [1]$, this shows that (in a sense we will not make more precise) \mathbb{R}/\sim is actually a “circle.”

Exercise 2. Let \sim be the equivalence relation on \mathbb{R}^n of Exercise 8.3.3. We define *n-dimensional (real) projective space* to be $\mathbb{P}^n = \mathbb{R}^{n+1}/\sim$. Show that

$$\mathbb{P}^1 = \{[(x, 1)] \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\} \cup \{[(1, 0)]\},$$

and that each of these classes is distinct. This shows that (in a sense we will not make more precise) \mathbb{P}^1 is simply \mathbb{R} together with an additional “point at infinity.”