# Review Materials

Mostly from Dr. Hughes Slides and Sipser Chapter 0.

# Chapter 0 - Outline

- 0.2 Mathematical Notions and Terminology
  - Sets
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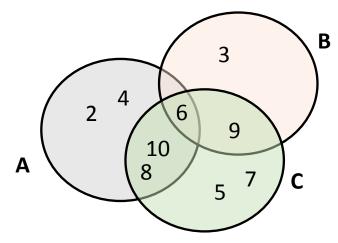


#### Sets

- **Sets** are unordered collections of distinct objects.
- **Sets** can be defined or specified in many ways:
  - By explicitly enumerating their members or elements
     e.g. S = { 1,2,3}

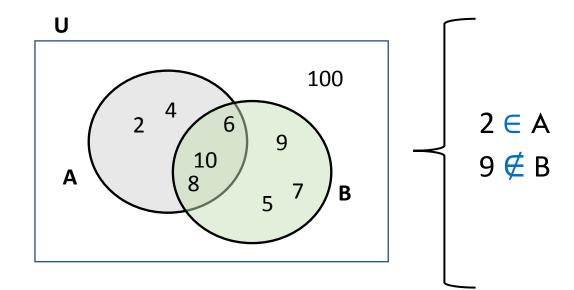
**Note:** If  $S' = \{3,2,1\}$ , then S and S' denote the same set (that is, S' = S)

- By specifying a condition for membership
   S = {x ∈ A | P(x)}, reads "S is the set of all x in A such that P(x) is true"
   P is called a "predicate" (a function from set A to {true, false})
   E.g. B = {x ∈ U | x is an even number}
- By Venn diagram



- The empty set is denoted,  $\emptyset$ , and is the set with no members; that is,  $\emptyset = \{ \}$ .
- Multisets (mset) or Bags are unordered collections of objects where we keep track of repeated elements
  - Multiplicity of element: number of instances, given for each element
  - Example:  $S = \{1,2,3,1,2\} \rightarrow Multiplicity of 1 = 2$

- Membership: If S ≠ Ø, then there exists an x for which x ∈ S is true; this predicate is read "x is an element of S" or "x is a member of S". The symbol " ∈ " denotes the member relation. x ∉ S is true when x is not in S.
- Also, the predicate,  $x \in \emptyset$  is always false! (why?)



- Operations:
- Let **A** and **B** be sets contained in our universe **U**.
  - Set Union: the union of A and B, denoted AUB is the set:

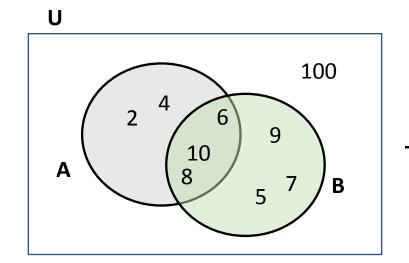
$$AUB = \{x: x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$$

• Set intersection: the intersection of A and B, denoted  $A \cap B$  is the set:

$$A \cap B = \{x: x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$$

complement ~A (usually A with a bar on it).

$$\sim A = \{x \in U: x \notin A\}$$

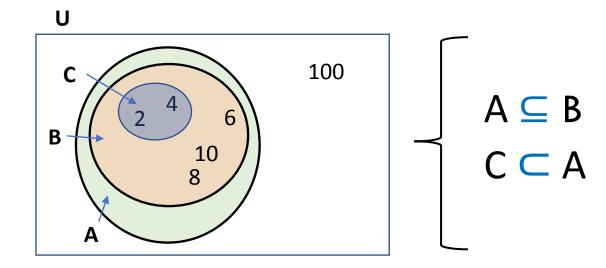


A U B = 
$$\{2,4,6,8,10,5,9,7\}$$
  
A\cap B =  $\{6,8,10\}$   
\(\sim A = \{100\}

- If A and B are sets, then we write "A ⊆ B" to mean that A is a subset of B.
   This means that for all x ∈ A, x ∈ B. Or, "∀x [x ∈ A ⇒ x ∈ B]".
- The expression, "A 

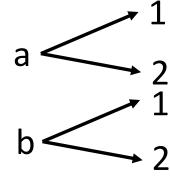
  B" means that A is a proper subset of B.

  Mathematically, "∀x [x ∈ A ⇒ x ∈ B] and ∃y [y ∉ B and y ∈ A].
- $(A = B) \Leftrightarrow (A \subseteq B) \land (B \supseteq A)$



- The cross (Cartesian) product of two sets A and B is denoted,  $A \times B$ , and is the set defined as follows:  $A \times B = \{ (a,b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B \}$ .
- If  $A \neq B$ , then  $A \times B \neq B \times A$ .
- Note: (a,b) is a sequence not a set. (next slide)

$$A \times B = \{(a,1),(a,2),(b,1),(b,2)\}$$



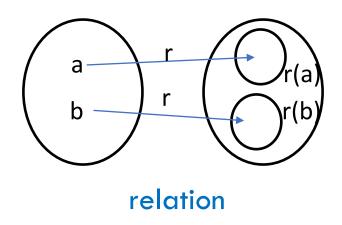
A×B		1	2
	a	(a,1)	(a,2)
	b	(b,1)	(b,2)

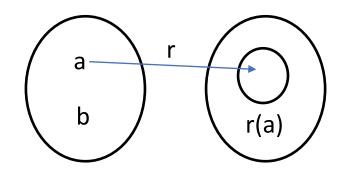
#### Sequences

- While sets have no order and no repeated elements, sequences have order and can contain repeats at differing positions in the order.
  - $\circ$  The **set**  $\{5,2,5\} = \{5,2\} = \{2,5\}$
  - $\circ$  The **sequence**  $(5,2,5) \neq (2,5,5) \neq (5,5,2) \neq (5,2) \neq (2,5)$
- In sequence  $(a_1, a_2, ..., a_k, ...)$ ,  $a_k$  is called the k-th element of the sequence.
- Finite sequences are often called tuples. (3-tuple, 4-tuple, 0-tuple?)
  - Those of length k are k-tuples.
  - A 2-tuple is also called a pair.

#### Relations

- A relation, r, is a mapping from some set A to some set B;
  - We write, r: A →B, and we mean that r assigns to every member of A a subset of B;
  - that is, for every  $a \in A$ ,  $r(a) \subseteq B$  and  $r(a) \neq \emptyset$ .
  - A relation, r, can also be **defined in terms of the cross product** of A and B:
    - r⊆A× B such that for every a ∈ A there is at least one b ∈ B such that
       (a, b) ∈ r.
- We say that a relation, r, from A to B is a partial relation if and only if for some  $a \in A$ ,  $r(a) = \emptyset = \{ \}$ .

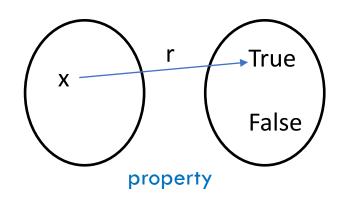




partial relation

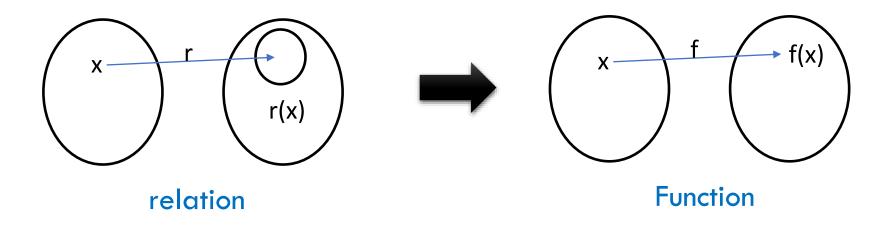
#### More on Relations

- A predicate or property is a function with range {TRUE, FALSE}.
- A property with a domain of n-tuples A<sup>n</sup> is an n-ary relation
- Binary relations are common, and like binary functions, we use infix notations for them
- Let R be a binary relation on  $A^2$ . R is:
  - Reflexive if " $x \in A$ , xRx
  - Symmetric if  $x R y \rightarrow y R x$
  - Transitive if  $(x R y, y R z) \rightarrow x R z$
  - An equivalence relation if it is reflexive, symmetric and transitive



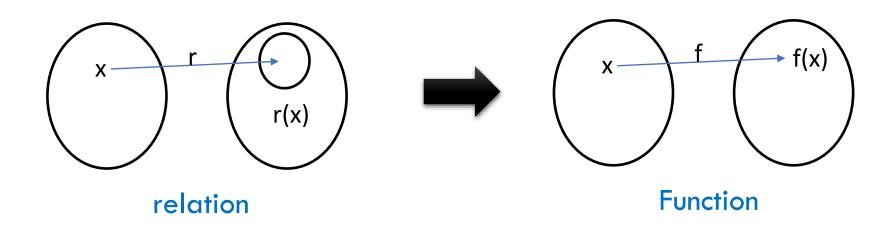
#### **Functions**

- Functions are special types of relations. Let X and Y be sets. A function is a map  $f:X \rightarrow Y$  such that for every  $x \in X$ , there is a unique  $y \in Y$  where f(x) = y; that is, |f(x)| = 1.
- If f is a partial function from A to B, then f may not be defined for every  $x \in A$ . In this case we write  $|f(x)| \le 1$ , for every a in A; note that |f(x)| = 0 if and only if  $f(x) = \emptyset$ , and we say the function is undefined at a.



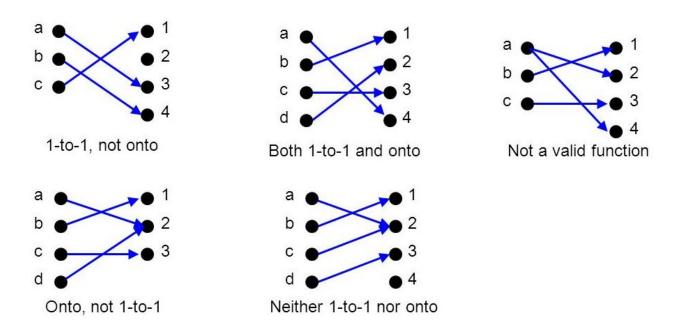
#### More on functions

- Domain is the complete **set of possible values** of on which f is defined.
- We say that X is the domain and Y is the codomain. The range or image is the set  $f(X) = \{f(x) : x \in X\}$ .



#### More on Functions

- A function, f, is said to be one-to-one (1-1) if and only if  $x \neq y$  implies  $f(x) \neq f(y)$ .
  - A (total) function that is one-to-one is sometimes called an injection.
- A function, f: A → B, is said to be onto if and only if for every y ∈ B there is an x ∈ A such that y = f(x).
  - Total functions that are onto are called surjections.
- Ones that are 1-1 and onto are called bijections.



#### Ordinal and Cardinal Numbers

- **Definition**: Ordinal numbers are **symbols** used to designate relative position in an ordered collection.
  - The ordinals correspond to the natural numbers: 0, 1, 2, ...
  - The set of all natural (ordinal) numbers is denoted, N.
  - (Note: Here we include 0 as a natural number.)
- **Definition**. Let S be any set. We associate with S, the unique symbol S called its cardinality. Symbols of this kind are called cardinal numbers and denote the size of the set with which they are associated.
  - $|\emptyset| = 0$ .
  - If  $S = \{0, 1, 2, 3, ..., n-1\}$ , for some natural number n>0, then S = n.
  - The **cardinality** of any **finite set** (including the empty set) is simply the ordinal number that specifies the number of elements in that set.

# More on Cardinality

- **Definition**: If A and B are two sets, then  $|A| \le |B|$  if and only if there exists an **injection**, f, from A to B; f is a 1-1 function from A into B.
- **Definition**: If A and B are two sets, then |A| = |B| if and only if  $|A| \le |B|$  and  $|B| \le |A|$ .
  - We may also say that |A| = |B| if and only if there is a bijection, f, from A to B; f is a 1-1 function from A onto B.
- **Definition**: If A and B are two sets, then |A| < |B| if and only if  $|A| \le |B|$  and  $|A| \ne |B|$ .
- Definition: A set S is said to be finite if and only if S ∈ N; otherwise, S is said to be infinite.
- Definition: A set S is said to be countable if and only if S is finite or
   |S| = | N|; otherwise S is said to be uncountable.

#### Infinities

#### Examples of infinite sets:

- N (the set of Natural numbers),
- Z (the set of Integers),
- Z+ (the set of Positive Integers),
- Q (the set of Rational numbers) and
- R (the set of Real numbers).
- But, are all these infinite sets the same size??
- Answer: |N| = |Z+| = |Z| = |Q| < |R|.</li>

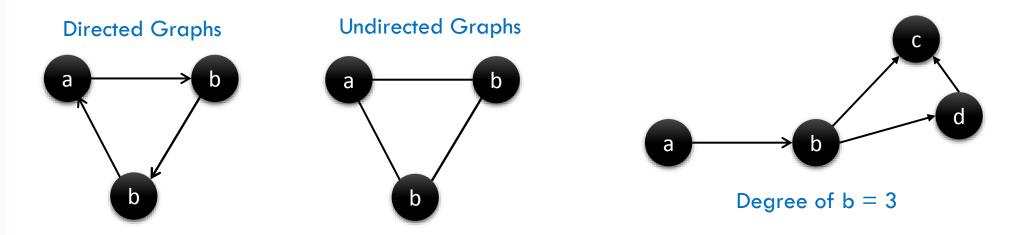
#### Power Set

- **Definition**: Let S be a set, then the power set of S, denoted P(S) or  $2^S$ , is defined by P(S)= { A | A  $\subseteq$  S }.
- Examples.
  - $P(\emptyset) = \{\emptyset\},\$
  - $P(\{1,2,3\}) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1,2\}, \{1,3\}, \{2,3\}, \{1,2,3\}\}$
  - $P(N) = \{\emptyset, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, ..., \{0,1\}, \{0,2\}, \{0,3\}, ..., \{0,1,2\}, ..... \{ N \} \}$

# **Undirected Graphs**

An undirected Graph G is defined by a pair (V, E)

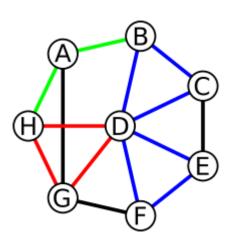
- V: Finite Set of Nodes/Vertices
- E:  $\{ \langle a,b \rangle \mid a,b \in V \text{ are called } Edges / Arcs \}$ 
  - $E \subseteq V \times V$  such that  $\langle a,b \rangle \in E$  implies  $\langle b,a \rangle \in E$
- Degree of node is number of edges at that node (number of nodes it relates to)
- Graphs can be labeled or unlabeled.
  - Labels can go on nodes, edges or both.



# More on Graphs

A subgraph H of a graph G is a subset of the nodes of G with all edges retained from G that involve node pairs in H.

- A path is a sequence of nodes connected by edges.
- A graph is connected if every two nodes are connected by a path.
- A cycle is a path that starts and ends in the same node.
- A simple cycle is a cycle such that all its vertices and edges are distinct.

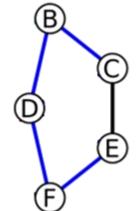


Nodes: A,B,C,....

Edges: AB, BD,GF,...

Path: HAB, DBC, CE,...

Cycle: BDCB, ABDHA,...

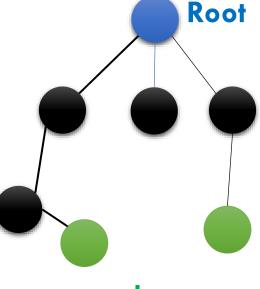


**Subgraph:** BDFECB

# More on Graphs

- A tree is a graph that is connected and has no simple cycles.
- A tree may contain a special node called the root.
- The nodes of degree 1 in a tree, excepting the root, are called leaves.
- The **set of leaves** of a tree are called the **frontier**.

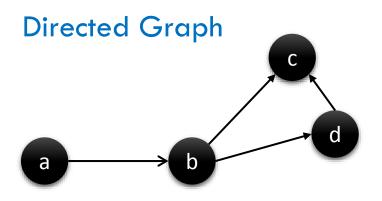
Tree



leaves

# In Directed Graph

- If the edges have direction then a graph is called directed
- in-degree (edges into node)
- out-degree (edges out of node).



in-degree of b = 1Out-degree of b = 2

# Alphabet String Language

# Alphabets and Strings

- **DEFINITION 1.** An alphabet  $\Sigma$  is a finite, non-empty set of abstract symbols.
- The members of the alphabet are the symbols of the alphabet.

- Example:
  - $\Sigma = \{0,1\}$
  - $\Sigma = \{a, b, c, ..., z\}$
  - $\Sigma = \{1,2,3,...,9\}$

## Strings

- A string over an alphabet is a finite sequence of symbols from that alphabet, usually written next to one another and not separated by commas.
- Examples:
  - If  $\Sigma = \{0,1\} \rightarrow \underline{01001}$  is a string over  $\Sigma$ .
  - If  $\Sigma = \{a,b,c,...,z\} \rightarrow \underline{racadabra}$  is a string over  $\Sigma$ .

## More on Strings

• **DEFINITION 2.**  $\Sigma^*$ , the set of all **strings** over the alphabet,  $\Sigma$ , is given inductively as follows.

#### Basis:

- $\varepsilon \in \Sigma^*$  (the null string is denoted by  $\varepsilon$ , it is the string of length 0, that is  $|\varepsilon| = 0$ )
- $\forall a \in \Sigma$ ,  $a \in \Sigma^*$  (the members of  $\Sigma$  are strings of length 1, |a| = 1)

#### Induction rule:

- If  $x \in \Sigma^*$ , and  $a \in \Sigma$ , then  $a.x \in \Sigma^*$  and  $x.a \in \Sigma^*$ .
- Furthermore,  $\varepsilon$  . x = x.  $\varepsilon = x$ , and  $|a \cdot x| = |x \cdot a| = 1 + |x|$
- NOTE:  $\alpha$  . x denotes "a concatenated to x " and is formed by appending the symbol a to the left end of x.
- Similarly,  $x \cdot a$ , denotes appending a to the right end of x.
- In either case, if x is the null string  $(\varepsilon)$ , then the resultant string is "a".

# **Operations on Strings**

- Let s, t be arbitrary strings over  $\Sigma$ 
  - $s = a_1 a_2 ... a_j$ ,  $j \ge 0$ , where each  $a_i \in \Sigma$
  - $t = b_1 b_2 ... b_k$ ,  $k \ge 0$ , where each  $b_i \in \Sigma$
- length: |s| = j; |t| = k
- concatenate: = s.t= st=  $a_1a_2... a_ib_1b_2... b_k$ ; |st| = j+k
- power: s<sup>n</sup>= ss... s (n times)
- reverse:  $s^R = a_i a_{i-1} \dots a_1$
- substring: for  $s = a_1 a_2 ... a_j$ , any  $a_p a_{p+1} ... a_q$  where  $1 \le p \le q \le j$  or  $\varepsilon$ .

#### Languages

- **DEFINITION 3**. Let  $\Sigma$  be an alphabet. A language over  $\Sigma$  is a subset, **L**, of  $\Sigma^*$ .
- **Example:** Languages over the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ .
  - $\emptyset$  (the empty set) is a language over  $\Sigma$
  - $\Sigma^*$ (the universal set) is a language over  $\Sigma$
  - {a, bb, aba } (a finite subset of  $\Sigma^*$ ) is a language over  $\Sigma$ .
  - {  $ab^n a^m | n = m^2$ , n, m > 0 } (infinite subset) is a language over  $\Sigma$ .
- A language is a set of strings.
- Reversal:  $L^R = \{w^R \mid w \in L\}$
- Example:  $L = \{001, 10, 111\} \rightarrow L^R = \{100, 01, 111\}$

#### More on Languages

- **DEFINITION 4.** Let **L** and **M** be two languages over  $\Sigma$ . Then the concatenation of L with M, denoted L.M is the set, L.M =  $\{x,y \mid x \in L \text{ and } y \in M\}$
- The concatenation of arbitrary strings x and y is defined inductively as follows:
  - Basis:
    - When  $|x| \le 1$  or  $|y| \le 1$ , then x.y is defined as in Definition 2.
  - Inductive rule:
    - when |x| > 1 and |y| > 1, then x = x'.a for some  $a \in \Sigma$  and  $x \in \Sigma^*$ , where |x'| = |x|-1. Then x.y=x'.(a.y).

# Recognizer and Generators (of a language)

- A recognizer for a specific language is a program or computational model that differentiates members from non-members of the given language
  - A portion of the job of a compiler is to check to see if an input is a legitimate member of some specific programming language

An automata is a recognizer.

# Recognizer and Generators (of a language)

 A generator for a specific language is a program that generates all and only members of the given language

• A grammar is a generator.

# **Proofs: Terminology**

- Definitions: describe the mathematical objects and notions we use.
- Statement or assertion: expresses that some object has a certain property. The statement may or may not be true.
- Proof: is a convincing logical argument that a statement is true.
- Theorem: is a mathematical statement proved TRUE.
- Lemma: is a theorem that are not interesting on their own but are useful for proving other theorems
- Corollary: is a follow-on theorem that are easy to prove once you prove their parent theorems

# Types of Proofs

- Direct Argument
  - Use assertions from theorem statement, known true properties and valid rules of inference
- Construction
  - Prove something exists by showing how to make it
- Contradiction
  - Prove something is true by showing it can't be false

## More on types of Proofs

- Prove by induction
  - Weak Induction
  - Strong Induction
- Our goal is to prove that P(k) is true for each natural number k.
- Every proof by induction consists of two parts,
  - the basis: prove that P(1) is true.
  - the induction step: For each i≥1, assume that P(i) is true and use this assumption to show that P(i + 1) is true. (WI)
  - P(i) is true is called the induction hypothesis.

# Sample Proof by Induction

Prove, if n is a positive whole number and  $n \ge 4$ , then  $2^n \ge n^2$ .

**Hint:** use induction with a base of n=4.

#### **Proof by Induction:**

- **Base Case:** n = 4:  $2^4 \ge 4^2$  since  $16 \ge 16$ .
- Induction Hypothesis: Assume  $2^k \ge k^2$ , for some  $k \ge 4$ .
- Induction Step: Prove  $2^{(k+1)} \ge (k+1)^2$
- First, we observe that  $k^2 \ge 2k+1$  when  $k \ge 3$ .  $(K>2 \rightarrow k.k>2.k \rightarrow k^2>2k \rightarrow k^2>2k+1)$ 
  - Consider k=m+1, where  $k \ge 3$ ; and so  $m \ge 2$
  - $k^2 = (m+1)^2 = m^2 + 2m+1 \ge 4 + 2m+1 > 2m+3 = 2(m+1) + 1 = 2k+1$ .
- Using this,
- $2^{(k+1)} = 2^{k*} 2 = 2^k + 2^k \ge k^2 + k^2 \ge k^2 + 2k + 1 = (k+1)^2$

#### QED

# Sample Proof by Contradiction

- Prove, if p and q are distinct prime numbers, then  $\sqrt{\frac{p}{q}}$  is irrational.
- Assume  $\sqrt{\frac{p}{q}}$  is rational where p and q are distinct primes. Let  $\frac{a}{b}$  be the reduced fraction (no common prime factors) that equals  $\sqrt{\frac{p}{q}}$ .
- $\sqrt{\frac{p}{q}} = \frac{a}{b}$  : assumption (note a≠b, as p≠q)  $\frac{p}{q} = \frac{a^2}{b^2}$  : square both sides

  - $p = a^2$  and  $q = b^2$  : since p and q have no common prime factors, and a and b have no common prime factors.
  - But this is not possible because p and q are prime numbers and so cannot have multiple factors (e.g., a.a, in the case of p).
  - This contradicts our original assumption that  $\sqrt{\frac{p}{q}}$  is rational , so it must be irrational.