

Computer Science & IT

Discrete Mathematics



Set Theory & Algebra

Lecture No. 02



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Recap of Previous Lecture



Topic

Introduction to Discrete Maths



- Set Theory & Algebra
- Graph Theory
- Mathematical Logic
- Recurrence Relⁿ + Generating Functions

Topics to be Covered



Topic

Set ✓

Topic

Representation of Set ✓

Topic

Types of sets ✓

Topic

Terminologies related to sets ✓



Topic : Set



A well-defined unordered collection of distinct elements is called as set.

eg:

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\} = \{2, 1, 3\} \\ = \{3, 1, 2\}$$

eg:

$$B = \{1, 2, a, b, \text{Jan}, \text{Sun}\}$$

Elements need not be
of similar type.

$$\text{eg: } D = \{1, 2, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{2, 3\}\}$$

4 different elements

It is a
multi-set

eg:

$$C = \{1, 2, 2, 3, 4\}$$

Not a set

Set w.r.t. this
Collection of
elements will be
 $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

In general,



N : Set of all natural numbers

$$N = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$$

W : Set of all whole numbers

$$W = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$$

R : Set of all real numbers

Z : Set of all integers

Z^+ : Set of all +ve integers



Topic : Representation of sets

There are three different ways in which set may be represented.

- ✓ 1. Roaster form or Tabular form: ✓
- ✓ 2. Set-builder form:
- ✓ 3. Statement form:



Topic : Roaster form or Tabular form

In roaster notation all the elements of the set are listed within the curly braces '{'.

eg: $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$

{ It may not be possible to represent all the sets in tabular/roaster form }



Topic : Set-builder form

In set-builder form property specifying the elements of the set is defined.

eg: $A = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } x \leq 10\}$

A is a set | *Containing all the elements 'x'* | *Such that* | *following property is satisfied*

$$B = \{0, 0.12, 0.25, 0.5, 0.72, 0.85\}$$

it may not be possible to represent this set using set-builder form of representation

$$C = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } 0 < x < 1\}$$

$$0 \leq x < 17$$

$$0 \leq x \leq 10$$

$$0 < x \leq \underline{15}$$

It may not be possible to represent the elements of this set in roster form



Topic : Statement form

→ The Statement is used to define the elements of the set.

eg. $A =$ Set of all natural numbers less than or equal to 10.

$C =$ Set of all real numbers greater than '0' and less than '1'



Topic : Cardinality of a set

Cardinality is defined only for finite sets.

- * Cardinality of a finite set A is defined as number of elements in set A , it is denoted by $|A|$.
- * Cardinality of set A is also known as size of set A .

eg: let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ then $|A| = 3$



eg: let $B = \{ \underline{1}, \underline{\{1\}}, \underline{\{2\}}, \underline{\{1, 2\}} \}$, then $|B| = 4$

integer
'1'

set
Containing
integer '1'



Topic : Types of sets

Empty Set: A set containing no element in it is called an empty set, denoted by \emptyset or $\{ \}$

W.r.t. Empty Set $|\emptyset| = |\{ \}| = 0$

Note: $\{ \} \neq \{ \{ \} \}$

$\{ \}$ it is an empty set

$\{ \{ \} \}$ it is a set containing an empty set

$$|\{ \}| = 0$$

$$|\{ \{ \} \}| = 1$$



Topic : Types of sets

Singleton Set: A set containing exactly one element is called singleton set

eg $A = \{1\}$

$$B = \{\{\}\}$$

$$C = \{\{1\}\}$$

$$D = \{\{1, 2, 3\}\}$$



Topic : Types of sets

Finite Set: A set containing finite number of elements in it is called a finite set.

eg $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$
 $B = \{1, a, b, d, e\}$

Note:- Empty set is also a finite set.



Topic : Types of sets

Infinite Set: A set containing infinite number of elements in it.

eg. $A = \text{Set of all natural numbers}$
 $B = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ and } 0 < x \leq 1\}$



Topic : Types of sets

Equal Sets: Two sets A and B are said to be equal only if every element of set A is included in set B and every element of set B is included in set A .

$$\text{eg } \left. \begin{array}{l} A = \{1, 2, a, b\} \\ B = \{2, a, b, 1\} \end{array} \right\} A = B$$

$$\text{eg } \left. \begin{array}{l} A = \{1, 2, a, b\} \\ B = \{1, 2, 3, a, b\} \end{array} \right\} A \neq B$$



Topic : Types of sets

Equivalent Sets: Two finite sets are said to be equivalent
 \cong or \sim if they have same Cardinality


$$\begin{array}{lcl} \text{eg } A = \{1, 2, a, b\} & |A| = 4 & \searrow \\ B = \{2, 4, 7, 9\} & |B| = 4 & \nearrow \end{array} \therefore A \cong B \text{ or } A \sim B$$

but $A \neq B$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{eg } A = \{1, 2, 3, a\} \\ B = \{a, 3, 2, 1\} \end{array} \} \Rightarrow A = B \therefore A \cong B$$



- * If two sets A & B are equal, then they are also equivalent.
- * But two equivalent sets may or may not be equal sets.

* Two infinite sets are said to be equivalent  if there exists a bijjective function between them.
(one-one and onto)

* Set of all +ve number is equivalent to set of all -ve numbers.



Topic : Types of sets

Universal Set: A set containing all the elements corresponding to the problem under discussion



Topic : Types of sets

\subseteq
Subset & \supseteq
Superset:

Let A and B are any two arbitrary sets.

Set A is called subset of Set B if every element of set A is included in set B, denoted by $A \subseteq B$

eg. $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$

$B = \{0, 1, 6, 2, 3, d\}$

} we can observe i.e, A is subset of B
 $A \subseteq B$
but $B \not\subseteq A$
} B is or superset of A



Note:- ① A is subset of B if and only if B is a superset of A .

Note:- ② If $A \subseteq B$ as well as $B \subseteq A$,
then $A = B$

eg $A = \{1, 2, a, 3\}$ $B = \{2, 1, 3, a\}$

$A \subseteq B$
✓

and

$B \subseteq A$
✓

$\therefore \underline{A = B}$

Note:- ③ \emptyset is a subset of every set. 

Note:- ④ For any set A , set A itself is always a subset of set A .

Q: Write all the subsets of set $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ where size of set $A = 3$



Subsets
of
set A
are

$\{ \}$

subset
of
size = 0

$\{1\}$

$\{2\}$

$\{3\}$

subsets
of
size = 1

$\{1, 2\}$

$\{1, 3\}$

$\{2, 3\}$

subsets
of
size = 2

$\{1, 2, 3\}$

subset of
size = 3

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$$




\in \leftarrow belongs to

(a) $1 \in A$ ✓

(b) $\{1\} \in A$ ✗

(c) $1 \subseteq A$ ✗

(d) $\{1\} \subseteq A$ ✓

Q. Consider the following set $A = \{1, \underbrace{\{1\}}_a, 2, \underbrace{\{1,2\}}_c, 3\}$ 

Which of the following is/are true

✓ (a) $\{1\} \in A$

✓ (b) $\{1\} \subseteq A$

✓ (c) $\{1,2\} \in A$

✓ (d) $\{1,2\} \subseteq A$

Subsets of A

$\{\}, \underbrace{\{1\}}_b, \{\{1\}\}, \{2\}, \{\{1,2\}\}, \{3\}$

$\{1, \{1\}\}, \underbrace{\{1,2\}}_d, \{1, \{1,2\}\}, \{1,3\}, \dots$



Topic : Types of sets

Proper Subset: "denoted by \subset "

- * Any subset of set A except set A itself is called proper subset of set A.

eg let $A = \{a, b, c\}$

Proper
Subsets
of set A

$\{ \}$, $\{a\}$, $\{a, b\}$
 $\{b\}$, $\{a, c\}$
 $\{c\}$, $\{b, c\}$

$\{a, b, c\}$ is a subset of $\{a, b, c\}$
but not a proper subset
of set $\{a, b, c\}$



Topic : Number of subsets of a set 'A' of cardinality 'n'

eg. $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ $|A| = 3$

Subsets
of
A
are

$\{ \}$ Size = 0	$\{1\}$	$\{1, 2\}$	$\{1, 2, 3\}$ Size = 3
	$\{2\}$	$\{1, 3\}$	
	$\{3\}$ Size = 1	$\{2, 3\}$ Size = 2	

8 different
subsets
of
set A

* If $|A| = n$, then number of subsets of set A = $2^{|A|} = 2^n$



Selection
{ not
arrangement }

* If there are 'n' distinct elements, then out of those n distinct elements we can Choose 'r' distinct elements in nC_r ways.

$${}^nC_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)! r!}$$

$${}^5C_3 = \frac{5!}{(5-3)! 3!} = \frac{5 \times 4 \times \cancel{3!}}{2! \times \cancel{3!}} = \frac{20}{2} = 10$$

Let A is a set of size $= n$

Every subset of set A will be of size $\leq n$ where $|A| = n$



No. of subsets of size $= 0$
 \downarrow
 n_{C_0}

No. of subsets of size $= 1$
 \downarrow
 n_{C_1}

No. of subsets of size $= 2$
 \downarrow
 n_{C_2}

No. of subsets of size $= k$ ($k < n$)
 \downarrow
 n_{C_k}

No. of subsets of size $= n$
 \downarrow
 n_{C_n}

Let A is a set of size $= n$ } Every subset of set A will be of size $\leq n$ where $|A| = n$

No. of subsets of size $= 0$
↓
 n_{C_0}

No. of subsets of size $= 1$
↓
 n_{C_1}

No. of subsets of size $= 2$
↓
 n_{C_2}

No. of subsets of size $= k$ ($k < n$)
↓
 n_{C_k}

No. of subsets of size $= n$
↓
 n_{C_n}

Total number of subsets of set A

$$= n_{C_0} + n_{C_1} + n_{C_2} + \dots + n_{C_k} + \dots + n_{C_n} = 2^n$$

Number of subsets of size $\leq k$

Number of subsets of size $= k$

No. of subsets of size $\geq k$

$$(1+x)^n = n_{C_0}x^0 + n_{C_1}x^1 + n_{C_2}x^2 + \dots + n_{C_n}x^n$$

↓
1

$$(1+1)^n = n_{C_0}(1)^0 + n_{C_1}(1)^1 + \dots + n_{C_n}(1)^n$$

$$(2)^n = n_{C_0} + n_{C_1} + n_{C_2} + \dots + n_{C_n}$$

* If A is a finite set of size $= n$ {i.e. $|A| = n$ } 

then number of proper subsets of set $A = \underbrace{2^n}_{\substack{\text{total} \\ \text{number} \\ \text{of subsets}}} - \underbrace{1}_{\substack{\text{Set } A \\ \text{itself}}}$
Except



2 mins Summary



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Set ✓

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Representation of Set ✓

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Cardinality of a set ✓

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Types of sets ✓

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Number of subsets, Concept of power set, and
Cardinality of power set of a set ✓

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