

CS/SE 2FA3: Discrete Math with Applications II

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1 Math Preliminaries

[Linz § 1.1]

Definition:

\mathbb{N} = set of **natural numbers** = $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

\mathbb{Z} = set of **integers** = $\{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

\mathbb{Q} = set of **rational numbers**

\mathbb{R} = set of **reals**

\mathbb{B} = set of **booleans** or truth values = $\{\text{T}, \text{F}\}$

Two ways to define sets:

by **listing**: e.g. $\{2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}$

by **description**: $\{x \in \mathbb{N} \mid$

Given 2 sets, S_1, S_2 : define:

$S_1 \cup S_2 =$

$S_1 \cap S_2 =$

$$S_1 \setminus S_2 =$$

Assume **universal set**, U

$$S_1, S_2, \dots \subseteq U$$

Then define the **complement**:

(Linz uses $U - S$, we will be using $U \setminus S$)

$$\overline{S} = U \setminus S = \{x \in U \mid x \notin S\}$$

Empty set \emptyset , then:

$$S \cup \emptyset =$$

$$S \cap \emptyset =$$

$$\overline{\emptyset} =$$

$$\overline{U} =$$

$$\overline{\overline{S}} =$$

De Morgan's Laws

$$\overline{S_1 \cap S_2} =$$

$$\overline{S_1 \cup S_2} =$$

Subset: $S_1 \subseteq S_2 \iff \forall x(x \in S_1 \rightarrow x \in S_2)$

Proper Subset: $S_1 \subset S_2 \iff S_1 \subseteq S_2 \wedge S_1 \neq S_2$

Disjoint Sets: $S_1 \cap S_2 = \emptyset$

If S is finite, say $S = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$, then the **size** of $S = |S| = n$

Unordered pair $\{a, b\} = \{b, a\} = \{a, b, a\} = \dots$

Ordered pair $(a, b) \neq (b, a) \neq (a, b, a)$

Similarly, **ordered triple** (a, b, c) and

ordered n-tuple (a_1, \dots, a_n) , etc.

Cartesian Product

$S_1 \times S_2 = \{(x, y) \mid x \in S_1 \wedge y \in S_2\}$

$S_1 \times \dots \times S_n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid x_i \in S_i \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, n\}$

Power set of $S = \mathcal{P}(S) = \{x \mid x \subseteq S\}$

Q. What is the size of $\mathcal{P}(S)$?

Example:

If $|S| = 1$, then $|\mathcal{P}(S)| =$

If $|S| = 2$, then $|\mathcal{P}(S)| =$

If $|S| = 3$, then $|\mathcal{P}(S)| =$

Theorem : If S is finite, then $|\mathcal{P}(S)| =$

Proof : Prove statement $P(n)$:

$$\forall S : |S| = n \Rightarrow |\mathcal{P}(S)| =$$

by **induction on n** .

Induction on \mathbb{N} or Mathematical Induction

Definition: A predicate P on a set S is a function

$$P : S \rightarrow \mathbb{B} = \{\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{F}\}$$

For $x \in S$: we write P is **true at x** or P **holds at x**

to mean: $P(x) = \mathbf{T}$.

Notation: We let k, m, n, \dots range over **natural numbers**
i.e. elements of \mathbb{N} .

Mathematical Induction concerns **predicates on \mathbb{N}** .

There are **3 versions**.

I Simple Induction (SI)

For any predicate P on \mathbb{N} :

If **(Base case)** $P(0)$

and **(Induction step)** $\forall n[P(n) \rightarrow P(n + 1)]$

then $\forall n P(n)$

i.e. $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} P(n)$

Notes:

(i) Induction step can be written as:

$$\forall n > 0 [P(n - 1) \rightarrow P(n)]$$

(ii) In the induction step, $P(n)$ is the **induction hypothesis**.

II Course of Values Induction (CVI)

(Rosen calls this “**Strong Induction**”)

Version (a): For any predicate P on \mathbb{N} :

If **(Base case)** $P(0)$

and **(Induction step)**

$$\forall n [P(0) \wedge P(1) \wedge \dots \wedge P(n) \rightarrow P(n+1)]$$

then $\forall n P(n)$

Version (b): For any predicate P on \mathbb{N} :

If $\forall n [\forall k < n, P(k) \rightarrow P(n)]$

then $\forall n P(n)$

III Least number Principle (LNP)

For any predicate P on \mathbb{N} :

If $\exists n P(n)$

then \exists least $n P(n)$

i.e. $\exists n [P(n) \wedge \forall k < n, \neg P(k)]$

$Q.$ What is the connection between (III) and the others?

Hint: Consider II (b)

Variations of Proof by Induction

For example SI:

(a) Can take 1, or any $b \in \mathbb{N}$, as the base case.

Then SI becomes:

For any predicate P on \mathbb{N} :

If (Base case) $P(b)$

and (Induction Step)

$$\forall n \geq b [P(n) \rightarrow P(n + 1)]$$

then $\forall n \geq b, P(n)$

Example:

[Linz, p.16, Ex. 28]

Prove: $\forall n \geq 4, 2^n < n!$

(b) There may be more than one base case, e.g.:

If (Base case) $P(0), P(1), \dots, P(k)$

and (Induction Step)

$$\forall n \geq k [P(n) \rightarrow P(n+1)]$$

then $\forall n P(n)$

Definition by Recursion

A function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow A$ (for some set A) can be defined by recursion:

$f(0)$ is defined **explicitly** [Base case]

and $\forall n, f(n+1)$ is defined from $f(n)$ [Recursive case]

Alternately, one can have > 1 base cases, (e.g. $0, 1, \dots, k$) and for $n \geq k$, $f(n+1)$ can be defined from $f(0), f(1), \dots, f(n)$.

Example:

Define, by **recursion** on n :

$$(1) \quad f(m, n) = m + n$$

$$(2) \quad f(m, n) = m \times n$$

$$(3) \quad f(m, n) = m^n$$

$$(4) \quad f(n) = n!$$

Note:

For (1) - (3), assume you only have 0 and the **successor** operation,
 $S(n) = n + 1$