

Set Theory Exercise 2.2 Cheatsheet

Set Theory Concepts (Exercise 2.2)

This cheatsheet summarizes key set theory concepts from Exercise 2.2 with definitions and examples for quick reference.

1. Equivalent Sets

- *Definition:* Sets with the same number of elements (cardinality).
- *Example:* $A = \{a, b, c\}$, $B = \{1, 2, 3\}$. Both have 3 elements, so they are equivalent.

2. Equal Sets

- *Definition:* Sets with exactly the same elements, regardless of order.
- *Example:* $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{3, 2, 1, 0\}$. $A = B$ since they have the same elements.

3. Venn Diagrams

- *Definition:* Diagrams with a rectangle (universal set) and circles (subsets) to show set operations.
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{2, 3\}$, $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. $A \cup B$ shades both circles; $A \cap B$ shades the overlap.

4. Union of Sets ($A \cup B$)

- *Definition:* All elements in A, B, or both (no duplicates).
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{2, 3\}$. $A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3\}$.

5. Intersection of Sets ($A \cap B$)

- *Definition:* Elements common to both A and B.
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{2, 3\}$. $A \cap B = \{2\}$.

6. Set Difference ($A - B$)

- *Definition:* Elements in A that are not in B.
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{2, 4\}$. $A - B = \{1, 3\}$.

7. Complement of a Set (A')

- *Definition:* All elements in universal set U not in A.

- *Example:* $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, $A = \{1, 2\}$. $A' = \{3, 4\}$.

8. Disjoint Sets

- *Definition:* Sets with no common elements ($A \cap B = \emptyset$).
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{3, 4\}$. $A \cap B = \emptyset$.

9. Overlapping Sets

- *Definition:* Sets with at least one common element ($A \cap B \neq \emptyset$).
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{2, 3\}$. $A \cap B = \{2\}$.

10. Subset ($A \subseteq B$)

- *Definition:* Every element of A is in B .
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{1, 2, 3\}$. $A \subseteq B$.

11. Empty Set (\emptyset)

- *Definition:* A set with no elements, denoted \emptyset or $\{\}$.
- *Example:* $\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{N} \wedge x + 5 = 3\} = \emptyset$ (no solution in \mathbb{N}).

12. Universal Set (U)

- *Definition:* The set containing all elements under consideration.
- *Example:* For numbers 1 to 10, $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$.

13. Commutative Property of Union ($A \cup B = B \cup A$)

- *Definition:* The order of sets in a union does not affect the result.
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{2, 3\}$. $A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3\} = B \cup A$.

14. Commutative Property of Intersection ($A \cap B = B \cap A$)

- *Definition:* The order of sets in an intersection does not affect the result.
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{2, 3\}$. $A \cap B = \{2\} = B \cap A$.

15. Associative Property of Union ($A \cup (B \cup C) = (A \cup B) \cup C$)

- *Definition:* The grouping of sets in a union does not affect the result.
- *Example:* $A = \{1\}$, $B = \{2\}$, $C = \{3\}$. $A \cup (B \cup C) = \{1, 2, 3\} = (A \cup B) \cup C$.

16. Associative Property of Intersection ($A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C$)

- *Definition:* The grouping of sets in an intersection does not affect the result.
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{2, 3\}$, $C = \{2, 4\}$. $A \cap (B \cap C) = \{2\} = (A \cap B) \cap C$.

17. Distributive Property of Union over Intersection

- *Definition:* $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$.

- *Example:* $A = \{1\}$, $B = \{2, 3\}$, $C = \{3, 4\}$. $A \cup (B \cap C) = \{1, 3\} = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$.

18. Distributive Property of Intersection over Union

- *Definition:* $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$.
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{2, 3\}$, $C = \{2, 4\}$. $A \cap (B \cup C) = \{2\} = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$.

19. De Morgan's Laws

- *Definition:* $(A \cup B)' = A' \cap B'$; $(A \cap B)' = A' \cup B'$.
- *Example:* $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{2, 3\}$. $(A \cup B)' = \{4\} = A' \cap B'$; $(A \cap B)' = \{1, 3, 4\} = A' \cup B'$.

20. Cardinality of Union for Disjoint Sets

- *Definition:* If $A \cap B = \emptyset$, then $n(A \cup B) = n(A) + n(B)$.
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{3, 4\}$, $A \cap B = \emptyset$. $n(A \cup B) = 4 = 2 + 2$.

21. Cardinality of Intersection ($n(A \cap B) = n(A)$ if $A \subseteq B$)

- *Definition:* If $A \subseteq B$, then $n(A \cap B) = n(A)$.
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $A \subseteq B$. $n(A \cap B) = 2 = n(A)$.

22. Set Difference Property ($A - B = A$ if $A \cap B = \emptyset$ or $B = \emptyset$)

- *Definition:* If A and B are disjoint or B is empty, $A - B = A$.
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{3, 4\}$, $A \cap B = \emptyset$. $A - B = \{1, 2\} = A$.

23. Complement of Universal Set ($U' = \emptyset$)

- *Definition:* The complement of the universal set is the empty set.
- *Example:* $U = \{1, 2, 3\}$. $U' = \emptyset$.

24. Intersection Property ($A \cap B = B$ if $B \subseteq A$)

- *Definition:* If $B \subseteq A$, then $A \cap B = B$.
- *Example:* $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{1, 2\}$, $B \subseteq A$. $A \cap B = \{1, 2\} = B$.

25. Union with Complement ($A \cup B = U$ if $A = B'$)

- *Definition:* If A is the complement of B , their union is the universal set.
- *Example:* $U = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{1, 2\}$, $A = B' = \{3\}$. $A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3\} = U$.