

3 Sets, Relations, and Functions

3.2 Sets and Operations on Sets

Definition 3.1. The cardinality, denoted $|A|$ of a set is the amount of elements it contains.

Definition 3.2. $A = B \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \forall x(x \in A \leftrightarrow x \in B)$.

Lemma 3.1. For any (sets) a and b , $\{a\} = \{b\} \Rightarrow a = b$

Definition 3.3. The set A is a subset of the set B , denoted $A \subseteq B$, if every element of A is also an element of B , i.e.,

$$A \subseteq B \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \forall x(x \in A \rightarrow x \in B)$$

Lemma 3.2. $A = B \iff (A \subseteq B) \wedge (B \subseteq A)$.

Lemma 3.3. For any sets A , B , and C ,

$$A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq C \Rightarrow A \subseteq C$$

Definition 3.4. The union of two sets A and B is defined as

$$A \cup B \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x | x \in A \vee x \in B\}$$

and their intersection is defined as

$$A \cap B \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x | x \in A \wedge x \in B\}$$

Definition 3.5. The difference of sets B and A , denoted $B \setminus A$ is the set of elements of B without those that are elements of A :

$$B \setminus A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x \in B | x \notin A\}$$

Theorem 3.4. For any sets A , B , and C , the following laws hold:

Idempotence: $A \cap A = A$;

$$A \cup A = A$$

Commutativity: $A \cap B = B \cap A$;

$$A \cup B = B \cup A$$

Associativity: $A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C$;

$$A \cup (B \cup C) = (A \cup B) \cup C$$

Absorption: $A \cap (A \cup B) = A$;

$$A \cup (A \cap B) = A$$

Distributivity: $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$;

$$A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$$

Consistency: $A \subseteq B \iff A \cap B = A \iff A \cup B = B$

Definition 3.6. A set A is called empty if it contains no elements, i.e., if $\forall x \neg(x \in A)$.

Lemma 3.5. There is only one empty set (which is often denoted as \emptyset or $\{\}$).

Lemma 3.6. The empty set is a subset of every set, i.e., $\forall A(\emptyset \subseteq A)$.

Definition 3.7. The power set of a set A denoted $\mathcal{P}(A)$, is the set of all subsets of A :

$$\mathcal{P}(A) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{S \mid S \subseteq A\}$$

Remark 3.1. For a finite set with cardinality k , the power set has cardinality 2^k (hence the name ‘power-set’ and the alternative notation 2^A)

Definition 3.8. The Cartesian product $A \times B$ of two sets A and B is the set of all ordered pairs with the first component from A and the second component from B :

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \wedge b \in B\}$$

Remark 3.2. For finite sets, the cardinality of the Cartesian product of some sets is the product of their cardinalities: $|A \times B| = |A| \cdot |B|$

3.3 Relations

Definition 3.9. A (binary) relation ρ from a set A to a set B (also called an (A, B) -relation) is a subset of $A \times B$. If $A = B$, then ρ is called a relation on A .

Definition 3.10. The inverse of a relation ρ from A to B is the relation $\hat{\rho}$ from B to A defined by

$$\hat{\rho} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{(b, a) \mid (a, b) \in \rho\}$$

Definition 3.11. Let ρ be a relation from A to B and let σ be a relation from B to C . Then the composition of ρ and σ , denoted $\rho \circ \sigma$, is the relation from A to C defined by

$$\rho \circ \sigma \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{(a, c) \mid \exists ((a, b) \in \rho \wedge (b, c) \in \sigma)\}$$

The n -fold composition of a relation ρ on a set A with itself is denoted ρ^n .

Definition 3.12. For any set A , the identity relation on A , denoted id_A (or simply id), is the relation $\text{id}_A = \{(a, a) \mid a \in A\}$.

Lemma 3.7. The composition of relations is associative i.e., we have $\rho \circ (\sigma \circ \phi) = (\rho \circ \sigma) \circ \phi$.

Lemma 3.8. Let ρ be a relation from A to B and let σ be a relation from B to C . Then the inverse $\widehat{\rho\sigma}$ of $\rho\sigma$ is the relation $\widehat{\sigma}\widehat{\rho}$.

Definition 3.13. A relation ρ on a set A is called reflexive if

$$a\rho a$$

is true for all $a \in A$, i.e., if

$$id \subseteq \rho$$

Definition 3.14. A relation ρ on a set A is called irreflexive if $a \not\rho a$ for all $a \in A$, i.e., if $\rho \cap id = \emptyset$.

Definition 3.15. A relation ρ on a set A is called symmetric if

$$a\rho b \iff b\rho a$$

is true for all $a, b \in A$, i.e., if

$$\rho = \hat{\rho}$$

Definition 3.16. A relation ρ on a set A is called antisymmetric if

$$a\rho b \wedge b\rho a \Rightarrow a = b$$

is true for all $a, b \in A$, i.e., if

$$\rho \cap \hat{\rho} \subseteq id$$

Definition 3.17. A relation ρ on a set A is called transitive if

$$a\rho b \wedge b\rho c \Rightarrow a\rho c$$

is true for all $a, b, c \in A$

Lemma 3.9. A relation ρ is transitive $\iff \rho^2 = \rho$

Definition 3.18. The transitive closure of a relation ρ on a set A , denoted ρ^* , is

$$\rho^* = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}} \rho^n$$

3.4 Equivalence Relations

Definition 3.19. An equivalence relation is a relation on a set A that is reflexive symmetric, and transitive.

Definition 3.20. For an equivalence relation θ on a set A and for $a \in A$, the set of elements of A that are equivalent to a is called the equivalence class of a and is denoted as $[a]_\theta$:

$$[a]_\theta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{b \in A \mid b\theta a\}$$

Lemma 3.10. The intersection of two equivalence relations (on the same set) is an equivalence relation.

Definition 3.21. A partition of a set A is a set of mutually disjoint subsets of A that cover A , i.e., a set $\{S_i \mid i \in \mathcal{I}\}$ of sets S_i (for some index set \mathcal{I}) satisfying

$$S_i \cap S_j = \emptyset \quad \text{for } i \neq j \quad \text{and} \quad \bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{I}} S_i = A$$

Definition 3.22. The set of equivalence classes of an equivalence relation θ , denoted by

$$A/\theta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{[a]_\theta \mid a \in A\}$$

is called the quotient set of A by θ , or simply A modulo θ , or $A \bmod \theta$.

Theorem 3.11. The set A/θ of equivalence classes of an equivalence relation θ on A is a partition of A .

3.5 Partial Order Relations

Definition 3.23. A partial order (or simply an order relation) on a set A is a relation that is reflexive, antisymmetric, and transitive. A set A together with a partial order \preceq on A is called a partially ordered set (or simply poset) and is denoted as $(A; \preceq)$

Definition 3.24. For a poset $(A; \preceq)$, two elements a and b are called comparable if $a \preceq b$ or $b \preceq a$; otherwise they are called incomparable.

Definition 3.25. If any two elements of a poset $(A; \preceq)$ are comparable, then A is called totally ordered (or linearly ordered) by \preceq .

Definition 3.26. In a poset $(A; \preceq)$ an element b is said to cover an element a if $a \prec b$ and there exists no c with $a \prec c$ and $c \prec b$ (i.e., between a and b).

Definition 3.27. The Hasse diagram of a (finite) poset $(A; \preceq)$ is the directed graph whose vertices are labeled with the elements of A and where there is an edge from a to b if and only if b covers a .

Definition 3.28. The direct product of posets $(A; \preceq)$ and $(B; \sqsubseteq)$, denoted $(A; \preceq) \times (B; \sqsubseteq)$, is the set $A \times B$ with the relation \leq (on $A \times B$) defined by

$$(a_1, b_1) \leq (a_2, b_2) \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} a_1 \preceq a_2 \wedge b_1 \sqsubseteq b_2$$

Theorem 3.12. $(A; \preceq) \times (B; \sqsubseteq)$ is a partial ordered set.

Theorem 3.13. For given posets $(A; \preceq)$ and $(B; \sqsubseteq)$, the relation \leq_{lex} defined on $A \times B$ by

$$(a_1, b_1) \leq_{lex} (a_2, b_2) \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} a_1 \prec a_2 \vee (a_1 = a_2 \wedge b_1 \sqsubseteq b_2)$$

Definition 3.29. Let $(A; \preceq)$ be a poset, and let $S \subseteq A$ be some subset of A . Then

1. $a \in A$ is a minimal (maximal) element of A if there exists no $b \in A$ with $b \prec a$ ($b \succ a$)
2. $a \in A$ is the least (greatest) element of A if $a \preceq b$ ($a \succeq b$) for all $b \in A$.
3. $a \in A$ is a lower (upper) bound of S if $a \preceq b$ ($a \succeq b$) for all $b \in S$.
4. $a \in A$ is the greatest lower (least upper) bound of S if a is the greatest (least) element of the set of all lower (upper) bounds of S .

Definition 3.30. A poset $(A; \preceq)$ is well-ordered if it is totally ordered and if every non-empty subset of A has a least element.

Definition 3.31. Let $(A; \preceq)$ be a poset. If a and b (i.e., the set $\{a, b\} \subseteq A$) have a greatest lower bound, then it is called the meet of a and b , often denoted $a \wedge b$. If a and b have a least upper bound, then it is called the join of a and b , often denoted $a \vee b$.

Definition 3.32. A poset $(A; \preceq)$ in which every pair of elements has a meet and a join is called a lattice.

3.6 Functions

Definition 3.33. A function $f : A \rightarrow B$ from a domain A to a codomain B is a relation from A to B with the special properties (using the relation notation afb):

1. f is totally defined $\forall a \in A \quad \exists b \in B \quad afb$,
2. f is well-defined $\forall a \in A \quad \forall b, b' \in B \quad (afb \wedge afb' \rightarrow b = b')$.

Definition 3.34. The set of all functions $A \rightarrow B$ is denoted as B^A .

Definition 3.35. A partial function $A \rightarrow B$ is a relation from A to B such that condition 2. above holds.

Definition 3.36. For a function $f : A \rightarrow B$ and a subset S of A , the image of S under f , denoted $f(S)$, is the set

$$f(S) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{f(a) | a \in S\}$$

Definition 3.37. The subset $f(A)$ of B is called the image (or range) of f and is also denoted $\text{Im}(f)$

Definition 3.38. For a subset T of B , the preimage of T denoted $f^{-1}(T)$, is the set of values in A that map into T :

$$f^{-1}(T) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{a \in A | f(a) \in T\}$$

Definition 3.39. A function $f : A \rightarrow B$ is called

1. *injective (or one-to-one or an injection)* if for $a \neq a'$ we have $f(a) \neq f(a')$, i.e., no two distinct values are mapped to the same function value (there are no "collisions").
2. *surjective (or onto)* if $f(A) = B$, i.e., if for every $b \in B$, $b = f(a)$ for some $a \in A$ (every value in the codomain is taken on for some argument).
3. *bijective (or bijection)* if it is both injective and surjective.

Definition 3.40. For a bijective function f , the inverse (as a relation, see 3.9) is called the inverse function of f , usually denoted as f^{-1} .

Definition 3.41. The composition of a function $f : A \rightarrow B$ and a function $g : B \rightarrow C$, denoted by $g \circ f$ or simply gf , is defined by $(g \circ f)(a) = g(f(a))$.

Lemma 3.14. Function composition is associative, i.e., $(h \circ g) \circ f = h \circ (g \circ f)$.

3.7 Countable and Uncountable Sets

Definition 3.42. .

- (i) Two sets A and B equinumerous, denoted $A \sim B$, if there exists a bijection $A \rightarrow B$.
- (ii) The set B dominates the set A , denoted $A \preceq B$, if $A \sim C$ for some subset $C \subseteq B$ or, equivalently, if there exists an injective function $A \rightarrow B$.
- (iii) A set A is called countable if $A \preceq \mathbb{N}$, and uncountable otherwise.

Lemma 3.15. .

- (i) The relation \sim is an equivalence relation.
- (ii) The relation \preceq is transitive: $A \preceq B \wedge B \preceq C \Rightarrow A \preceq C$.
- (iii) $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow A \preceq B$.

Theorem 3.16. $A \preceq B \wedge B \preceq A \Rightarrow A \sim B$

Theorem 3.17. A set A is countable if and only if it is finite or if $A \sim \mathbb{N}$.

Theorem 3.18. The set $\{0, 1\}^* \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\epsilon, 0, 1, 00, 01, 10, 11, 000, \dots\}$ of finite binary sequences is countable.

Theorem 3.19. The set $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} (= \mathbb{N}^2)$ of ordered pairs of natural numbers is countable.

Corollary 3.20. The Cartesian product $A \times B$ of two countable sets A and B is countable, i.e., $A \preceq \mathbb{N} \wedge B \preceq \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow (A \times B) \preceq \mathbb{N}$

Corollary 3.21. The rational number \mathbb{Q} are countable.

Theorem 3.22. Let A and A_i , for $i \in \mathbb{N}$ be countable sets.

- (i) For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, the set A^n of n -tuples over A is countable.
- (ii) The union $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i$ of a countable list A_0, A_1, \dots of countable sets is countable.
- (iii) The set A^* of finite sequence of elements from A is countable.

Definition 3.43. Let $\{0, 1\}^\infty$ denote the set of semi-infinite binary sequences or, equivalently, the set of functions $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$.

Theorem 3.23. The set $\{0, 1\}^\infty$ is uncountable.

Definition 3.44. *A function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is called computable if there is a program that, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, when given n as input, outputs $f(n)$.*

Corollary 3.24. *There are uncomputable functions $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$*

4 Number Theory

4.2 Divisors and Division

Definition 4.1. For integers a and b we say that a divides b , denoted $a|b$, if there exists an integer c such that $b = ac$. In this case, a is called a divisor of b , and b is called a multiple of a . If $a \neq 0$ and a divisor c exists it is called the quotient when b is divided by a , and we write $c = \frac{b}{a}$ or $c = b/a$. We write $a \nmid b$ if a does not divide b .

Theorem 4.1 (Euclid). For all integers a and $d \neq 0$ there exist unique integers q and r satisfying

$$a = dq + r \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \leq r < |d|$$

Definition 4.2. For integer a and b (not both 0), an integer d is called a greatest common divisor of a and b if d divides both a and b and if every common divisor of a and b divides d , i.e., if

$$d|a \wedge d|b \wedge \forall c ((c|a \wedge c|b) \rightarrow c|d)$$

Definition 4.3. For $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ (not both 0) one denotes the unique positive greatest common divisor by $\gcd(a, b)$ and usually calls it the greatest common divisor. If $\gcd(a, b) = 1$, then a and b are called relatively prime.

Lemma 4.2. For any integers m , n , and q , we have

$$\gcd(m, n - qm) = \gcd(m, n)$$

Definition 4.4. For $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, the ideal generated by a and b , denoted (a, b) , is the set

$$(a, b) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ua + vb | u, v \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Similarly, the ideal generated by a single integer a is

$$(a) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ua | u \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Lemma 4.3. For $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ there exists $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $(a, b) = (d)$.

Lemma 4.4. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ (not both 0). If $(a, b) = (d)$, then d is a greatest common divisor of a and b .

Corollary 4.5. For $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ (not both 0), there exist $u, v \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\gcd(a, b) = ua + vb$$

Definition 4.5. The least common multiple l of two positive integers a and b , denoted $l = \text{lcm}(a, b)$, is the common multiple of a and b which divides every common multiple of a and b , i.e.,

$$a|l \wedge b|l \wedge \forall m ((a|m \wedge b|m) \rightarrow l|m)$$

4.3 Factorization into Primes

Definition 4.6. A positive integer $p > 1$ is called prime if the only positive divisor of p are 1 and p . An integer greater than 1 that is not a prime is called composite.

Theorem 4.6. Every positive integer can be written uniquely (up to the order in which factors are listed) as the product of primes.

Lemma 4.7. If p is prime which divides the product $x_1 x_2 \cdots x_n$ of some integers x_1, \dots, x_n , then p divides one of them, i.e., $p|x_i$ for some $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$.

Remark 4.1. Since we can write any integers a and b as factors of primes

$$a = \prod_i p_i^{e_i} \quad \text{and} \quad b = \prod_i p_i^{f_i}$$

we can write gcd like this

$$\gcd(a, b) = \prod_i p_i^{\min(e_i, f_i)}$$

and lcm like this

$$\text{lcm}(a, b) = \prod_i p_i^{\max(e_i, f_i)}$$

It's easy to see that $\gcd(a, b) \cdot \text{lcm}(a, b) = ab$ because for all i $\min(e_i, f_i) + \max(e_i, f_i) = e_i + f_i$

4.5 Congruence and Modular Arithmetic

Definition 4.8. For $a, b, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $m \geq 1$, we say that a is congruent to b modulo m if m divides $a - b$. We write $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ or simply $a \equiv_m b$, i.e.,

$$a \equiv_m b \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} m|(a - b)$$

Lemma 4.13. For any $m \geq 1$, \equiv_m is an equivalence relation on \mathbb{Z} .

Lemma 4.14. If $a \equiv_m b$ and $c \equiv_m d$, then

$$a + c \equiv_m b + d \quad \text{and} \quad ac \equiv_m bd$$

Corollary 4.15. Let $f(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ be a multi-variable polynomial in k variables with integer coefficients, and let $m \geq 1$. If $a_i \equiv_m b_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq k$, then

$$f(a_1, \dots, a_k) \equiv_m f(b_1, \dots, b_k)$$

Lemma 4.16. For any $a, b, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $m \geq 1$,

$$(i) \quad a \equiv_m R_m(a).$$

$$(ii) \quad a \equiv_m b \iff R_m(a) = R_m(b).$$

Corollary 4.17. Let $f(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ be a multi-variate polynomial in k variables with integer coefficients and let $m \geq 1$. Then

$$R_m(f(a_1, \dots, a_k)) = R_m(f(R_m(a_1), \dots, R_m(a_k))).$$

Lemma 4.18. *The congruence equation*

$$ax \equiv_m 1$$

has a solution $x \in \mathbb{Z}_m$ if and only if $\gcd(a, m) = 1$. The solution is unique.

Definition 4.9. *If $\gcd(a, m) = 1$, the unique solution $x \in \mathbb{Z}_m$ to the congruence equation $ax \equiv_m 1$ is called the multiplicative inverse of a modulo m . One also uses the notation $x \equiv_m a^{-1}$ or $x \equiv_m \frac{1}{a}$.*

Theorem 4.19. *Let m_1, \dots, m_r be pairwise relatively prime integers and let $M = \prod_{i=1}^r m_i$. For every list a_1, \dots, a_r with $0 \leq a_i < m_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq r$, the system of congruence equations*

$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv_{m_1} a_1 \\ x &\equiv_{m_2} a_2 \\ &\vdots \\ x &\equiv_{m_r} a_r \end{aligned}$$

for x has a unique solution x satisfying $0 \leq x < M$.

5 Algebra

5.1 Introduction

Definition 5.1. An operation on a set S is a function $S^n \rightarrow S$, where $n \geq 0$ is called the "arity" of the operation.

Definition 5.2. An algebra (or algebraic structure or Ω -algebra) is a pair $\langle S; \Omega \rangle$ where S is a set (the carrier of the algebra and $\Omega = (\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n)$) is a list of operations on S .

5.2 Monoids and Groups

Definition 5.3. A left [right] neutral element (or identity element) of an algebra $\langle S; * \rangle$ is an element $e \in S$ such that $e * a = a$ [$a * e = a$] for all $a \in S$. If $e * a = a * e = a$ for all $a \in S$, then e is simply called neutral element.

Lemma 5.1. If $\langle S; * \rangle$ has both a left and a right neutral element, then they are equal. In particular $\langle S; * \rangle$ can have at most one neutral element.

Definition 5.4. A binary operation $*$ on a set S is associative if $a * (b * c) = (a * b) * c$ for all $a, b, c \in S$.

Definition 5.5. A monoid is an algebra $\langle M; *, e \rangle$ where $*$ is associative and e is the neutral element.

Definition 5.6. A left [right] inverse element of an element a in an algebra $\langle S; *, e \rangle$ with neutral element e is an element $b \in S$ such that $b * a = e$ [$a * b = e$]. If $b * a = a * b = e$, then b is simply called an inverse of a .

Lemma 5.2. In a monoid $\langle M; *, e \rangle$, if $a \in M$ has a left and right inverse, then they are equal. In particular, a has at most one inverse.

Definition 5.7. A group is an algebra $\langle G; *, \hat{}, e \rangle$ satisfying the following axioms:

G1 $*$ is associative.

G2 e is a neutral element: $a * e = e * a = a$ for all $a \in G$.

G3 Every $a \in G$ has an inverse element \hat{a} , i.e., $a * \hat{a} = \hat{a} * a = e$.

Definition 5.8. A group $\langle G; * \rangle$ (or monoid) is called commutative or abelian if $a * b = b * a$ for all $a, b \in G$.

Lemma 5.3. For a group $\langle G; *, \hat{}, e \rangle$, we have for all $a, b, c \in G$:

- (i) $\widehat{\widehat{a}} = a$,
- (ii) $\widehat{a * b} = \widehat{b} * \widehat{a}$,
- (iii) Left cancellation law: $a * b = a * c \implies b = c$
- (iv) Right cancellation law: $b * a = c * a \implies b = c$
- (v) The equation $a * x = b$ has a unique solution x for any a and b . So does the equation $x * a = b$.

5.3 The Structure of Groups

Definition 5.9. The direct product of n groups $\langle G_1; *_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle G_n; *_n \rangle$ is the algebra.

$$\langle G_1 \times \dots \times G_n; \star \rangle$$

where the operation \star is component-wise:

$$(a_1, \dots, a_n) * (b_1, \dots, b_n) = (a_1 *_1 b_1, \dots, a_n *_n b_n)$$

Lemma 5.4. $\langle G_1 \times \dots \times G_n; \star \rangle$ is a group, where the neutral element and the inversion operation are component-wise in the respective groups.

Definition 5.10. For two groups $\langle G; *, \widehat{}, e \rangle$ and $\langle H; \star, \widetilde{}, e' \rangle$, a function $\psi : G \rightarrow H$ is called a group homomorphism if, for all a and b ,

$$\psi(a * b) = \psi(a) \star \psi(b)$$

If ψ is a bijection from G to H , then it is called an isomorphism, and we say that G and H are isomorphic and write $G \simeq H$

Lemma 5.5. A group homomorphism ψ from $\langle G; *, \widehat{}, e \rangle$ to $\langle H; \star, \widetilde{}, e' \rangle$ satisfies

- (i) $\psi(e) = e'$,
- (ii) $\psi(\widehat{a}) = \widetilde{\psi(a)}$

Definition 5.11. A subset $H \subseteq G$ is a group $\langle G; *, \widehat{}, e \rangle$ is called a subgroup of G if $\langle H; *, \widehat{}, e \rangle$ is a group, i.e., if H is closed with respect to all operations:

- (i) $a * b \in H$ for all $a, b \in H$,
- (ii) $e \in H$, and
- (iii) $\widehat{a} \in H$ for all $a \in H$.

Definition 5.12. Let G be a group and let a be an element of G . The order of a , denoted $\text{ord}(a)$, is the least $m \geq 1$ such that $a^m = e$, if such an m exists, and $\text{ord}(a)$ is said to be infinite otherwise, written $\text{ord}(a) = \infty$.

Lemma 5.6. In a finite group G , every element has a finite order.

Definition 5.13. For a finite group G , $|G|$ is called the order of G .

Definition 5.14. For a group G and $a \in G$, the group generated by a , denoted $\langle a \rangle$, is defined as

$$\langle a \rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{a^n | n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Remark 5.1. The group generated by $\langle a \rangle$ is the smallest subgroup of G containing the element $a \in G$.

Definition 5.15. A group $G = \langle g \rangle$ generated by an element $g \in G$ is called cyclic, and g is called a generator of G .

Theorem 5.7. A cyclic group of order n is isomorphic to $\langle \mathbb{Z}_n; \oplus \rangle$ (and hence commutative/abelian)

Theorem 5.8 (Lagrange). Let G be a finite group and let H be a subgroup of G . Then the order of H divides the order of G , i.e. $|H|$ divides $|G|$.

Corollary 5.9. For a finite group G , the order of every element divides the group order, i.e., $\text{ord}(a)$ divides $|G|$ for every $a \in G$.

Corollary 5.10. Let G be a finite group. Then $a^{|G|} = e$ for every $a \in G$.

Corollary 5.11. Every group of prime order is cyclic, and in such a group every element except the natural element is a generator.

Definition 5.16. $\mathbb{Z}_m^* \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{a \in \mathbb{Z}_m | \gcd(a, m) = 1\}$.

Definition 5.17. The Euler function $\varphi(m) = |\mathbb{Z}_m^*|$

Lemma 5.12. If the prime factorization of m is $m = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{e_i}$, then

$$\varphi(m) = \prod_{i=1}^r (p_i - 1)p_i^{e_i - 1}$$

Theorem 5.13. $\langle \mathbb{Z}_m^*; \odot, ^{-1}, 1 \rangle$ is a group.

Corollary 5.14 (Fermat, Euler). For all $m \geq 2$ and all a with $\gcd(a, m) = 1$,

$$a^{\varphi(m)} \equiv_m 1$$

In particular, for every prime p and every a not divisible by p ,

$$a^{p-1} \equiv_p 1$$

Theorem 5.15. *The group \mathbb{Z}_m^* is cyclic if and only if $m = 2$, $m = 4$, $m = p^e$, or $m = 2p^e$, where p is an odd prime and $e \geq 1$.*

5.4 Application: RSA Public-Key Encryption

Theorem 5.16. *Let G be some finite group (multiplicatively written), and let $e \in \mathbb{Z}$ be relatively prime to $|G|$ (i.e. $\gcd(e, |G|) = 1$). The function $x \mapsto x^e$ is a bijection and the (unique) e -th root of $y \in G$, namely $x \in G$ satisfying $x^e = y$, is*

$$x = y^d$$

where d is the multiplicative inverse of e modulo $|G|$, i.e.,

$$ed \equiv_{|G|} 1$$

5.5 Rings and Fields

Definition 5.18. *A ring $\langle R; +, -, 0, \cdot, 1 \rangle$ is an algebra for which*

R1 $\langle R; +, -, 0 \rangle$ is a commutative group,

R2 $\langle R; \cdot, 1 \rangle$ is a monoid, and

R3 left and right distributive law: $a(a + b) = (ab) + (ac)$ and $(b + c)a = (ba) + (ca)$ for all $a, b, c \in R$.

A ring is called commutative if multiplication is commutative ($ab = ba$)

Lemma 5.17. *For any ring $\langle R; +, -, 0, \cdot, 1 \rangle$, and for all $a, b \in R$,*

(i) $0a = a0 = 0$

(ii) $(-a)b = -(ab)$

(iii) $(-a)(-b) = ab$

(iv) *If R is non trivial (i.e. if it has more than one element), then $1 \neq 0$.*

Definition 5.19. *The characteristic of a ring is the order of 1 in the additive group if it is finite and otherwise the characteristic is defined to be 0 (not infinite).*

Definition 5.20. *An element u of a ring R is called a unit if u is invertible, i.e., $uv = vu = 1$ for some $v \in R$. (We write $v = u^{-1}$.) The set of units of R is denoted by R^* .*

Lemma 5.18. *For a ring R , R^* is a multiplicative group (the group of units of R).*

Definition 5.21. *For $a, b \in R$ we say that a divides b , denoted $a|b$, if there exists $c \in R$ such that $b = ac$. In this case, a is called a divisor of b and b is called a multiple of a .*

Lemma 5.19. *In any commutative ring,*

- (i) *If $a|b$ and $b|c$, then $a|c$, i.e., the relation $|$ is transitive,*
- (ii) *If $a|b$, then $a|bc$ for all c , and*
- (iii) *If $a|b$ and $a|c$, then $a|(b + c)$.*

Definition 5.22. *For ring elements a and b (not both 0), a ring element d is called a greatest common divisor of a and b if d divides both a and b and if every common divisor of a and b divides d , i.e., if*

$$d|a \wedge d|b \wedge \forall ((c|a \wedge c|b) \rightarrow c|d)$$

Definition 5.23. *An element $a \neq 0$ of a commutative ring R is called a zerodivisor if $ab = 0$ for some $b \neq 0$ in R .*

Definition 5.24. *An integral domain is a (nontrivial) commutative ring without zerodivisors: $\forall a \forall b (ab = 0 \rightarrow a = 0 \vee b = 0)$.*

Lemma 5.20. *In an integral domain, if $a|b$, then c with $b = ac$ is unique (and is denoted by $c = \frac{b}{a}$ or $c = b/a$ and called quotient).*

Definition 5.25. *A polynomial $a(x)$ over a commutative ring R in the indeterminate x is a formal expression of the form*

$$a(x) = a_d x^d + \cdots + a_0 x^0 = \sum_{i=1}^d a_i x^i$$

for some non-negative integer d , with $a_i \in R$. The degree of $a(x)$, denoted $\deg(a(x))$, is the greatest i for which $a_i \neq 0$. The special polynomial 0 (i.e., all the a_i are 0) is defined to have degree "minus infinity". Let $R[x]$ denote the set of polynomials in x over R .

Theorem 5.21. *For any commutative ring R , $R[x]$ is a commutative ring.*

Lemma 5.22. .

- (i) *If D is an integral domain, then so is $D[x]$.*
- (ii) *The units of $D[x]$ are the constant polynomials that are units of D : $D[x]^* = D^*$.*

Definition 5.26. *A field is a nontrivial commutative ring F in which every nonzero element is a unit, i.e., $F^* = F \setminus \{0\}$.*

Theorem 5.23. \mathbb{Z}_p is a field if and only if p is prime.

Theorem 5.24. A field is an integral domain.

5.6 Polynomials over a Field

Definition 5.27. A polynomial $a(x) \in F[x]$ is called monic if the leading coefficient is 1.

Definition 5.28. A polynomial $a(x) \in F[x]$ with degree at least 1 is called irreducible if it is divisible only by constant polynomials and by constant multiples of $a(x)$.

Definition 5.29. The monic polynomial $g(x)$ of largest degree such that $g(x)|a(x)$ and $g(x)|b(x)$ is called the greatest common divisor of $a(x)$ and $b(x)$, denoted $\gcd(a(x), b(x))$.

Theorem 5.25. Let F be a field. For any $a(x)$ and $b(x) \neq 0$ in $F[x]$ there exist a unique $q(x)$ (the quotient) and a unique $r(x)$ (the remainder) such that

$$a(x) = b(x) \cdot q(x) + r(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \deg(r(x)) < \deg(b(x)).$$

Definition 5.30. In an integral domain, a and b are called associates, denoted $a \sim b$, if $a = ub$ for some unit u .

Definition 5.31. In an integral domain, a non-unit $p \in D \setminus \{0\}$ is irreducible if, whenever $p = ab$, then either a or b is a unit.

Lemma 5.26. $a \sim b \iff a|b \wedge b|a$

Definition 5.32. A Euclidean domain is an integral domain D together with a so-called degree function $d : D \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that

- (i) For every a and $b \neq 0$ in D there exist q and r such that $a = bq + r$ and $d(r) < d(b)$ or $r = 0$.
- (ii) For all nonzero a and b in D , $d(a) \leq d(ab)$

Theorem 5.27. In a Euclidean domain every element can be factored uniquely (up to taking associates) into irreducible elements.

5.7 Polynomials as Functions

Lemma 5.28. *Polynomials evaluation is compatible with the ring operations:*

- If $c(x) = a(x) + b(x)$, then $c(\alpha) = a(\alpha) + b(\alpha)$ for any α .
- If $c(x) = a(x) \cdot b(x)$, then $c(\alpha) = a(\alpha) \cdot b(\alpha)$ for any α .

Definition 5.33. Let $a(x) \in R[x]$. An element $\alpha \in R$ for which $a(\alpha) = 0$ is called a root of $a(x)$.

Lemma 5.29. For a field F , $\alpha \in F$ is a root of $a(x)$ if and only if $x - \alpha$ divides $a(x)$.

Corollary 5.30. A polynomial $a(x)$ of degree 2 or 3 over a field F is irreducible if and only if it has no root.

Theorem 5.31. For a field F , a nonzero polynomial $a(x) \in F[x]$ of degree d has at most d roots.

Lemma 5.32. A polynomial $a(x) \in F[x]$ of degree at most d is uniquely determined by any $d + 1$ values of $a(x)$, i.e., by $a(\alpha_1), \dots, a(\alpha_{d+1})$ for any distinct $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{d+1} \in F$.

Lemma 5.33. Congruence modulo $m(x)$ is a equivalence relation on $F[x]$, and each equivalence class has a unique representation of degree less than $\deg(m(x))$.

Definition 5.34. Let $m(x)$ be a polynomial of degree d over F . Then

$$F[x]_{m(x)} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{a(x) \in F[x] \mid \deg(a(x)) < d\}$$

Lemma 5.34. Let F be a finite field with q elements and let $m(x)$ be a polynomial of degree d over F . Then $|F[x]_{m(x)}| = q^d$.

Lemma 5.35. $F[x]_{m(x)}$ is a ring with respect to addition and multiplication modulo $m(x)$.

Lemma 5.36. The congruence equation

$$a(x)b(x) \equiv_{m(x)} 1$$

(for a given $a(x)$) has a solution $b(x) \in F[x]_{m(x)}$ if and only if $\gcd(a(x), m(x)) = 1$. The solution is unique. In other words,

$$F[x]_{m(x)}^* = \{a(x) \in F[x]_{m(x)} \mid \gcd(a(x), m(x)) = 1\}$$

Theorem 5.37. The ring $F[x]_{m(x)}$ is a field if and only if $m(x)$ is irreducible.

Theorem 5.38. For every prime p and every $d \geq 1$ there exists an irreducible polynomial of degree d in $GF(p)[x]_{m(x)}$. In particular, there exists a finite field with p^d elements.

Theorem 5.39. *There exists a finite field with q elements if and only if q is a power of a prime. Moreover, any two finite fields of the same size q are isomorphic.*

Theorem 5.40. *The multiplicative group of every finite field $GF(q)$ is cyclic.*

5.8 Application: Error-Correcting Codes

Definition 5.35. *A $(n-k)$ -encoding function E for some alphabet \mathcal{A} is an injective function that maps a list $(a_0, \dots, a_{k-1}) \in \mathcal{A}^k$ of K (information) symbols to a list $(c_0, \dots, c_{n-1}) \in \mathcal{A}^n$ of $n > k$ (encoded) symbols in \mathcal{A} , called codeword:*

$$E : \mathcal{A}^k \rightarrow \mathcal{A}^n : (a_0, \dots, a_{k-1}) \mapsto E((a_0, \dots, a_{k-1})) = (c_0, \dots, c_{n-1})$$

Definition 5.36. *An (n, k) -error-correcting code over the alphabet \mathcal{A} with $|\mathcal{A}| = q$ is a subset of \mathcal{A}^n of cardinality q^k .*

Definition 5.37. *The Hamming distance between two strings of equal length over a finite alphabet \mathcal{A} is the number of positions at which the two strings differ.*

Definition 5.38. *The minimum distance of an error-correcting code \mathcal{C} , denoted $d_{\min}(\mathcal{C})$, is the minimum of the Hamming distance between any two codewords.*

Definition 5.39. *A decoding function D for an (n, k) -encoding function is a function $D : \mathcal{A}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{A}^k$.*

Definition 5.40. *A decoding function D is t -error correcting for encoding function E if for any (a_0, \dots, a_{k-1})*

$$D((r_0, \dots, r_{n-1})) = (a_0, \dots, a_{k-1})$$

for any (r_0, \dots, r_{n-1}) with Hamming distance at most t from $E((a_0, \dots, a_{k-1}))$. A code \mathcal{C} is t -error correcting if there exists E and D with $\mathcal{C} = \text{Im}(E)$ where D is t -error correcting.

Theorem 5.41. *A code \mathcal{C} with minimum distance d is t correcting if and only if $d \geq 2t + 1$.*

Theorem 5.42. *Let $\mathcal{A} = GF(q)$ and let $\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{n-1}$ be arbitrary distinct elements of $GF(q)$. Consider the encoding function*

$$E((a_0, \dots, a_{k-1})) = (a(\alpha_0), \dots, a(\alpha_{n-1}))$$

where $a(x)$ is the polynomial

$$a(x) = a_{k-1}x^{k-1} + \dots + a_0x^0$$

This code has minimum distance $n - k + 1$.

6 Logic

6.2 Proof Systems

Definition 6.1. A proof system is a quadruple $\Pi = (\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{P}, \tau, \phi)$, where \mathcal{S} is the set of all possible statements, \mathcal{P} is the set of all possible proofs, $\tau : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$, and $\phi : \mathcal{S} \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$

Definition 6.2. A proof system $\Pi = (\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{P}, \tau, \phi)$ is sound if no false statement has a proof, i.e., if for all $s \in \mathcal{S}$ for which there exists $p \in \mathcal{P}$ with $\phi(s, p) = 1$, we have $\tau(s) = 1$.

Definition 6.3. A proof system $\Pi = (\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{P}, \tau, \phi)$ is complete if every true statement has a proof, i.e., if for all $s \in \mathcal{S}$ with $\tau(s) = 1$, there exists $p \in \mathcal{P}$ with $\phi(s, p) = 1$.

6.3 Elementary General Concepts in Logic

Definition 6.4. The syntax of a logic defines an alphabet Λ (of allowed symbols) and specifies which strings in Λ^* are formulas (i.e., are syntactically correct).

Definition 6.5. The semantics of a logic defines (among other things) a function free which assigns to each formula $F = (f_1, \dots, f_k) \in \Lambda^*$ a subset $\text{free}(F) \subseteq \{1, \dots, k\}$ of indices. If $i \in \text{free}(F)$, then the symbol f_i is said to occur free in F .

Definition 6.6. An interpretation consists of a set $\mathcal{Z} \subseteq \Lambda$ of symbols of Λ , a domain (a set of possible values) for each symbol in \mathcal{Z} , and a function that assigns to each symbol in \mathcal{Z} a value in its associated domain.

Definition 6.7. An interpretation is suitable for a formula F if it assigns a value to all symbols $\beta \in \Lambda$ occurring free in F .

Definition 6.8. The semantics of a logic also defines a function σ assigning to each formula F , and each interpretation \mathcal{A} suitable for F , a truth value $\sigma(F, \mathcal{A})$ in $\{0, 1\}$. In treatments of logic one often writes $\mathcal{A}(F)$ instead of $\sigma(F, \mathcal{A})$ and calls $\mathcal{A}(F)$ the truth value of F under interpretation \mathcal{A} .

Definition 6.9. A (suitable) interpretation \mathcal{A} for which a formula F is true, (i.e., $\mathcal{A}(F) = 1$) is called a model for F , and one also writes

$$\mathcal{A} \models F$$

More generally, for a set M of formulas, a (suitable) interpretation for which all formulas

in M are true is called a model for M , denoted as

$$\mathcal{A} \models M$$

If \mathcal{A} is not a model for M one write $\mathcal{A} \not\models M$.

Definition 6.10. A formula F (or set M of formulas) is called satisfiable if there exists a model for F (or M), and unsatisfiable otherwise. The symbol \perp is used for an unsatisfiable formula.

Definition 6.11. A formula F is called a tautology or valid if it is true for every suitable interpretation. The symbol \top is used for a tautology.

Definition 6.12. A formula G is a logical consequence of a formula F (or a set M of formulas), denoted

$$F \models G \quad (\text{or} \quad M \models G)$$

if every interpretation suitable for both F (or M) and G , which is a model for F (for M), is also a model for G .

Definition 6.13. Two formulas F and G are equivalent, denoted $F \equiv G$, if every interpretation suitable for both F and G yields the same truth value for F and G , i.e., if each one is a logical consequence of the other:

$$F \equiv G \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} F \models G \text{ and } G \models F$$

Definition 6.14. If F is a tautology, one also write $\models F$.

Definition 6.15. If F and G are formulas, then also $\neg F$, $(F \wedge G)$, and $(F \vee G)$ are formulas.

Remark 6.1.

$$\begin{aligned} (F \rightarrow G) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} (\neg F \vee G) \\ (F \leftrightarrow G) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} ((F \wedge G) \vee (\neg F \wedge \neg G)) \end{aligned}$$

Definition 6.16.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}((F \wedge G)) = 1 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \mathcal{A}(F) = 1 \text{ and } \mathcal{A}(G) = 1 \\ \mathcal{A}((F \vee G)) = 1 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \mathcal{A}(F) = 1 \text{ or } \mathcal{A}(G) = 1 \\ \mathcal{A}(\neg F) = 1 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \mathcal{A}(F) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 6.1. For any formulas F, G , and H we have

- (i) $F \wedge F \equiv F$ and $F \vee F \equiv F$ (idempotence);
- (ii) $F \wedge G \equiv G \wedge F$ and $F \vee G \equiv G \vee F$ (commutativity);
- (iii) $(F \wedge G) \wedge H \equiv F \wedge (G \wedge H)$ and $(F \vee G) \vee H \equiv F \vee (G \vee H)$ (associativity);
- (iv) $F \wedge (F \vee G) \equiv F$ and $F \vee (F \wedge G) \equiv F$ (absorption);
- (v) $F \wedge (G \vee H) \equiv (F \wedge G) \vee (F \wedge H)$ (distributive law);
- (vi) $F \vee (G \wedge H) \equiv (F \vee G) \wedge (F \vee H)$ (distributive law);
- (vii) $\neg\neg F \equiv F$ (double negation);
- (viii) $\neg(F \wedge G) \equiv \neg F \vee \neg G$ and $\neg(F \vee G) \equiv \neg F \wedge \neg G$ (de Morgan's law);
- (ix) $F \vee \top \equiv \top$ and $F \wedge \top \equiv F$ (tautology rules);
- (x) $F \vee \perp \equiv F$ and $F \wedge \perp \equiv \perp$ (unsatisfiability rules);
- (xi) $F \vee \neg F \equiv \top$ and $F \wedge \neg F \equiv \perp$;

Lemma 6.2. A formula F is a tautology if and only if $\neg F$ is unsatisfiable.

Lemma 6.3. The following three statements are equivalent:

- (i) $\{F_1, \dots, F_k\} \models G$
- (ii) $(F_1, \dots, F_k) \rightarrow G$ is a tautology
- (iii) $\{F_1, \dots, F_k, \neg G\}$ is unsatisfiable.

6.4 Logical Calculi

Definition 6.17. A derivation rule or inference rule is a rule for deriving a formula from a set of formulas (called the precondition or premises). We write

$$\{F_1, \dots, F_k\} \vdash_R G$$

if G can be derived from the set $\{F_1, \dots, F_k\}$ by rule R .

Definition 6.18. The application of a derivation rule R to a set M of formulas means. Assigning a formula $F \in M$ to any placeholder in R and adding the resulting formula G to the set M .

Definition 6.19. A (logical) calculus K is a finite set of derivation rules $K = \{R_1, \dots, R_m\}$.

Definition 6.20. A derivation of a formula G from a set M of formulas in a calculus K is a finite sequence (of some length n) of applications of rules in K , leading to G . More precisely, we have

- $M_0 := M$,

- $M_i := M_{i-1} \cup \{G_i\}$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$, where $N \vdash_{R_i} G_i$ for some $N \subseteq M_{i-1}$ and for some $R_j \in K$, and where
- $G_n = G$.

We write

$$M \vdash_K G$$

if there is a derivation of G from M in the calculus K .

Definition 6.21. A derivation rule R is correct if for every set M of formulas and every formula F , $M \vdash_R F$ implies $M \models F$.

Definition 6.22. A calculus K is sound or correct if for every set M of formulas and every formula F , if F can be derived from M then F is also a logical consequence of M :

$$M \vdash_K F \implies M \models F$$

and K is complete if for every M and F , if F is a logical consequence of M then F can also be derived from M :

$$M \models F \implies M \vdash_K F$$

6.5 Propositional Logic

Definition 6.23 (Syntax). An atomic formula is a symbol of the form A_i with $i \in \mathbb{N}$. A formula is defined as follows:

- An atomic formula is a formula.
- If F and G are formulas, then also $\neg F$, $(F \wedge G)$, and $(F \vee G)$ are formulas.

Definition 6.24 (Semantics). For a set Z of atomic formulas, an interpretation \mathcal{A} , called truth assignment, is a function $\mathcal{A} : Z \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$. A truth assignment \mathcal{A} is suitable for a formula F if Z contains all atomic formulas appearing in F . The semantics (i.e., the truth value of $\mathcal{A}(F)$ of a formula F under interpretation \mathcal{A}) is defined by $\mathcal{A}(F) = \mathcal{A}(A_i)$ for any atomic formula $F = A_i$, and by Definition 6.16

$$\mathcal{A}((F \wedge G)) = 1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \mathcal{A}(F) = 1 \text{ and } \mathcal{A}(G) = 1$$

$$\mathcal{A}((F \vee G)) = 1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \mathcal{A}(F) = 1 \text{ or } \mathcal{A}(G) = 1$$

$$\mathcal{A}(\neg F) = 1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \mathcal{A}(F) = 0$$

Definition 6.25. A literal is an atomic formula or the negation of an atomic formula.

Definition 6.26. A formula F is in conjunctive normal form (CNF) if it is a conjunction of disjunctions of literals, i.e., if it is of the form

$$F = (L_{11} \vee \cdots \vee L_{1m_1}) \wedge \cdots \wedge (L_{n1} \vee \cdots \vee L_{nm_n})$$

for some literals L_{ij} .

Definition 6.27. A formula F is in disjunctive normal form (DNF) if it is a disjunction of conjunctions of literals, i.e., if it is of the form

$$F = (L_{11} \wedge \cdots \wedge L_{1m_1}) \vee \cdots \vee (L_{n1} \wedge \cdots \wedge L_{nm_n})$$

for some literals L_{ij} .

Theorem 6.4. Every formula is equivalent to a formula in CNF and also to a formula in DNF.

Definition 6.28. A clause is a set of literals.

Definition 6.29. The set of clauses associated to a formula

$$F = (L_{11} \vee \cdots \vee L_{1m_1}) \wedge \cdots \wedge (L_{n1} \vee \cdots \vee L_{nm_n})$$

in CNF, denoted as $\mathcal{K}(F)$, is the set

$$\mathcal{F} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\{L_{11}, \dots, L_{1m_1}\}, \dots, \{L_{n1}, \dots, L_{nm_n}\}\}$$

The set of clauses associated with a set $M = \{F_1, \dots, F_k\}$ of formulas is the union of their clause sets:

$$\mathcal{K}(M) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigcup_{i=1}^k \mathcal{K}(F_i)$$

Definition 6.30. A clause K is a resolvent of clauses K_1 and K_2 if there is a literal L such that $L \in K_1$, $\neg L \in K_2$, and

$$K = (K_1 \setminus \{L\}) \cup (K_2 \setminus \{\neg L\})$$

Lemma 6.5. The resolution calculus is sound, i.e., if $\mathcal{K} \vdash_{\text{Res}} K$ then $\mathcal{K} \models K$.

Theorem 6.6. A set M of formulas is unsatisfiable if and only if $\mathcal{K}(M) \vdash_{\text{Res}} \emptyset$.

6.6 Predicate Logic (First-order Logic)

Definition 6.31 (Syntax of predicate logic). • A variable symbol is of the form x_i with $i \in \mathbb{N}$

- A function symbol is of the form $f_i^{(k)}$ with $i, k \in \mathbb{N}$, where k denotes the number of arguments of the function. Function symbols for $k = 0$ are called constants.
- A predicate symbol is of the form $P_i^{(k)}$ with $i, k \in \mathbb{N}$, where k denotes the number of arguments of the predicate.
- A term is defined inductively: A variable is a term and if t_1, \dots, t_k are terms, then $f_i^{(k)}(t_1, \dots, t_k)$ are terms, then $f_i^{(k)}(t_1, \dots, t_k)$ is a term. For $k = 0$ one writes no parentheses.
- A formula is defined inductively:
 - For any i and k , if t_1, \dots, t_k are terms, then $P_i^{(k)}(t_1, \dots, t_k)$ is a formula, called an atomic formula.
 - If F and G are formulas, then $\neg F$, $(F \wedge G)$, and $(F \vee G)$ are formulas.
 - If F is a formula, then, for any i , $\forall x_i F$ and $\exists x_i F$ are formulas.

Definition 6.32. Every occurrence of a variable in a formula is either bound or free. If a variable x occurs in a (sub-)formula of the form $\forall x G$ or $\exists x G$, then it is bound, otherwise it is free. A formula is closed if it contains no free variables.

Definition 6.33. For a formula F , a variable x and a term t , $F[x/t]$ denotes the formula obtained from F by substituting every free occurrence of x by t .

Definition 6.34. An interpretation or structure is a tuple $\mathcal{A} = (U, \phi, \psi, \xi)$ where

- U is a non-empty universe,
- ϕ is a function assigning to each function symbol (in a certain subset of all function symbols) a function, where for a k -ary function symbol f , $\phi(f)$ is a function $U^k \rightarrow U$,
- ψ is a function assigning to each predicate symbol (in a certain subset of all predicate symbols) a function, where for a k -ary predicate symbol P , $\psi(P)$ is a function $U^k \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$, and where
- ξ is a function assigning to each variable symbol (in a certain subset of all variable symbols) a value in U .

Definition 6.35. A interpretation (structure) \mathcal{A} is suitable for a formula F if it defines all function symbols, predicate symbols, and freely occurring variables of F .

Definition 6.36 (Semantics). For an interpretation (structure) $\mathcal{A} = (U, \phi, \psi, \xi)$, we define the value (in U) of the terms and the truth value of formulas under that structure.

- The value \mathcal{A} of a term t is defined recursively as follows:
 - If t is a variable, i.e. $t = x_i$, then $\mathcal{A}(t) = \xi(x_i)$.
 - If t is of the form $f(t_1, \dots, t_k)$ for terms t_1, \dots, t_k and a k -ary predicate symbol P , then $\mathcal{A}(t) = \phi(f)(\mathcal{A}(t_1), \dots, \mathcal{A}(t_k))$.
- The truth value of a formula F is defined recursively by Definition 6.16 and
 - If F is of the form $F = P(t_1, \dots, t_k)$ for term t_1, \dots, t_k and a k -ary predicate symbol P , then $\mathcal{A}(F) = \psi(P)(\mathcal{A}(t_1), \dots, \mathcal{A}(t_k))$.
 - If F is of the form $\forall x G$ or $\exists x G$, then let $\mathcal{A}_{[x \rightarrow u]}$ for $u \in U$ be the same structure as \mathcal{A} except that $\xi(x)$ is overwritten by u (i.e., $\xi(x) = u$):

$$\mathcal{A}(\forall x G) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mathcal{A}_{[x \rightarrow u]}(G) = 1 \text{ for all } u \in U \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{A}(\exists x G) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mathcal{A}_{[x \rightarrow u]}(G) = 1 \text{ for some } u \in U \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Definition 6.37. For any formulas F , G , and H , where x does not occur free in H , we have

- (i) $\neg(\forall x F) \equiv \exists x \neg F$;
- (ii) $\neg(\exists x F) \equiv \forall x \neg F$;
- (iii) $(\forall x F) \wedge (\forall x G) \equiv \forall x (F \wedge G)$;
- (iv) $(\exists x F) \vee (\exists x G) \equiv \exists x (F \vee G)$;
- (v) $\forall x \forall y F \equiv \forall x \forall y F$;
- (vi) $\exists x \exists y F \equiv \exists x \exists y F$;
- (vii) $(\forall x F) \wedge H \equiv \forall (F \wedge H)$;
- (viii) $(\forall x F) \vee H \equiv \forall (F \vee H)$;
- (ix) $(\exists x F) \wedge H \equiv \exists (F \wedge H)$;
- (x) $(\exists x F) \vee H \equiv \exists (F \vee H)$;

Lemma 6.7. If one replaces a sub-formula G of a formula F by an equivalent (to G) formula H , then the resulting formula is equivalent to F .

Lemma 6.8. For a formula G in which y does not occur we have

- $\forall x G \equiv \forall y G[x/y]$,
- $\exists x G \equiv \exists y G[x/y]$,

Definition 6.38. *A formula in which no variable occurs both as a bound and as a free variable and in which all variables appearing after the quantifiers are distinct is said to be rectified form.*

Definition 6.39. *A formula of the form*

$$Q_1x_1 \cdots Q_nx_nG$$

where the Q_i are arbitrary quantifiers (\forall or \exists) and G is a formula free of quantifiers, is said to be in prenex form.

Theorem 6.9. *For every formula there is an equivalent formula in prenex form.*

Lemma 6.10. *For any formula F and any term t we have*

$$\forall xF \models F[x/t]$$