

# Discrete Math

Lab 3 - September, 22

# Agenda

- Homework review
- Naïve Set Theory
- Logic

# Naïve Set Theory

# Definitions

- A **set** is an unordered collection of objects, called **elements** or members of the set. A set is said to contain its elements.
  - $a \in A$  denotes that  $a$  **is an element** of the set  $A$ .
  - $a \notin A$  denotes that  $a$  **is not an element** of the set  $A$ .
  - $\emptyset$  denotes an **empty set** (a set that has no elements)
- The cardinality  $|A|$  of a finite set  $A$  is a number of distinct elements in  $A$ .
- The infinite sets  $A$  and  $B$  have the same cardinality if and only if there is a one-to-one correspondence from  $A$  to  $B$ .

# Set builder notation

- **Set builder notation** – a way to describe a set by stating the properties the elements must have to be members

Example:

$O = \{x \mid x \text{ is an odd positive integer less than } 10\}$

$O = \{x \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \mid x \text{ is odd and } x < 10\}$



**Domain** (the [set](#) of entities over which  $x$  may range)

- The set  $\{x \in U \mid P(x)\}$  is the set of all  $x$  from  $U$  such that  $P(x)$  is true.  
Predicate  $P(x)$  is a statement about some object  $x$  that is either true or false.

# Discussion

- Why the notion of a set is important in Computer Science?

# Definitions

- Two sets are equal if and only if they have **the same elements**.  
 $A = B$  if and only if  $\forall x (x \in A \leftrightarrow x \in B)$   
Example:  $\{1, 2\} = \{2, 1\}$
- Two sets are equivalent if they have **the same number of elements**.  
Example:  $\{1, 3, 5\}$  and  $\{\text{January}, \text{March}, \text{May}\}$  are equivalent
- The set  $A$  is a **subset** of  $B$  if and only if every element of  $A$  is also an element of  $B$ .  $A \subseteq B$  if and only if  $\forall x (x \in A \rightarrow x \in B)$

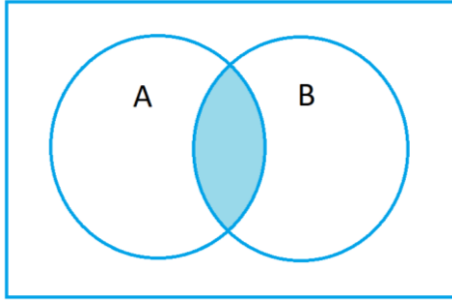
# Exercises I

1. Are sets A and B equal?  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $B = \{3, 2, 2, 1\}$
2. Are sets A and B equal?  $A = \{\emptyset\}$ ,  $B = \emptyset$
3. Let  $S = \{\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, 4\}$ . Is 1 an element of S? List all elements of S.
4. Are sets Z and Q (of integer and rational numbers) equivalent?
5. True or false?  $\{a, b\} \subseteq \{b, a, c\}$
6. True or false?  $\{a\} \subseteq \{\{a\}\}$
7. True or false?  $\{a\} \in \{\{a\}\}$
8. True or false?  $\emptyset \subseteq \{b, a, c\}$
9. True or false?  $\emptyset \in \{a, b, c\}$
10. True or false?  $\{a, b\} \subset \{a, a, b\}$

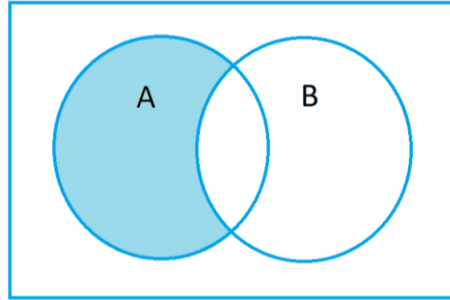


# Set Theory: operations on Venn diagrams

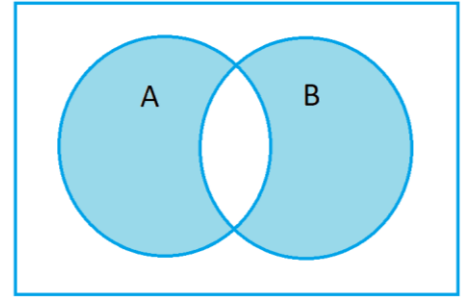
Intersection  $A \cap B$



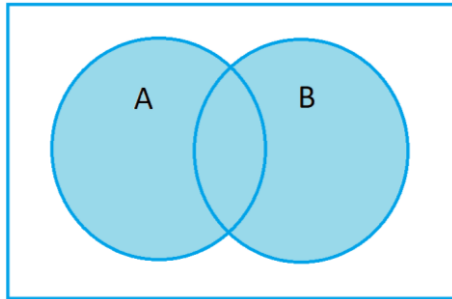
Difference  $A \setminus B$



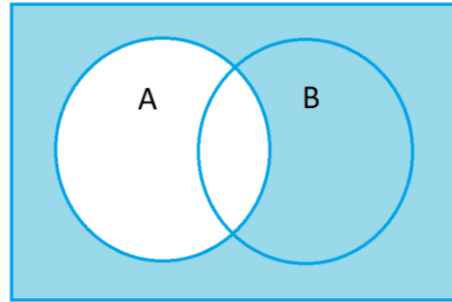
Symmetric difference  $A \oplus B$



Union  $A \cup B$



Complement  $\bar{A}$



## Fundamental Set Properties

### Idempotence

$$A \cup A = A$$

$$A \cap A = A$$

### Associativity

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

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

### Commutativity

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

$$A \cap B = B \cap A$$

### Distributivity ( $\cap$ over $\cup$ )

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

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

### Complement

$$A \cup \overline{A} = U$$

$$A \cap \overline{A} = \emptyset$$

### Involution

$$\overline{(\overline{A})} = A$$

### Domination

$$A \cup U = U$$

$$A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$$

### Identity

$$A \cup \emptyset = A$$

$$A \cap U = A$$

### De Morgan's Laws

$$\overline{A \cup B} = \overline{A} \cap \overline{B}$$

$$\overline{A \cap B} = \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$$

### Distributivity ( $\cup$ over $\cap$ )

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

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

### Complement (continued)

$$\overline{\emptyset} = U$$

$$\overline{U} = \emptyset$$

## Exercises II

1. Let  $A=\{1,2,3,4,5\}$ ,  $B=\{0,3,6\}$ . Find  $A \cap B$ ,  $A \cup B$ ,  $A \setminus B$ ,  $B \setminus A$ ,  $A \oplus B$
2. Use Venn diagrams to prove or disprove the following equation:  
$$[(A \cap B) \setminus C] \cup [(B \cap C) \setminus A] = [(A \cap B) \cup (B \cap C) \setminus (A \cap B \cap C)]$$
3. Simplify:  $\bar{A} \cup (\overline{A \cup \bar{B} \cup \bar{C}}) \cup (B \cap \overline{A \cup C})$
4. There are 35 students. Each is using at least one way of transportation: subway, bus or tram. Only 6 students are using all 3 ways. Both subway and bus are used by 15 students, subway+tram - 13 students, tram+bus - 9 students. How many students are using the only way of transportation?

# Propositional Logic

# Propositions

- A **proposition** is a declarative sentence that is either true or false, but not both
- Examples of the sentences that are NOT propositions:
  1. What time is it?
  2. Read this carefully.
  3.  $x + 1 = 2$ .
  4.  $x + y = z$ .
- A **tautology** - a compound proposition that is always **true**
- A **contradiction** - a compound proposition that is always **false**

# Well-formed propositional formulas

- **Propositional formulas** are constructed from atomic propositions by using logical operations (see formal definition in the lecture 2).
- The truth of a propositional formula  $S(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  is a function of the truth values of the atomic propositions  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  it contains.
- A **truth table** shows whether a propositional formula is true or false for each possible truth assignment.
- When two compound propositions always have the same truth value we call them **equivalent**

# Operations & truth tables

X	Y	X&Y conjunction	XvY disjunction	X→Y Implication	X↔Y equivalence
0	0	0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1

X	¬X negation
1	0
0	1

# Implications

Let's look at the formula  $X \rightarrow Y$

- $X$  is the **antecedent** or hypothesis,
- $Y$  is the **consequent** or conclusion
- $Y \rightarrow X$  is the **converse** of  $X \rightarrow Y$
- $\neg Y \rightarrow \neg X$  is the **contrapositive** of  $X \rightarrow Y$
- $\neg X \rightarrow \neg Y$  is the **inverse** of  $X \rightarrow Y$

X	Y	$\neg X$	$\neg Y$	$X \rightarrow Y$	$Y \rightarrow X$	$\neg Y \rightarrow \neg X$	$\neg X \rightarrow \neg Y$
0	0			1			
0	1			1			
1	0			0			
1	1			1			

Exercise:

Show that a conditional statement and its contrapositive are equivalent



# Quantifiers

- A **predicate** (propositional function) - a statement that may be true or false depending on the values of its variables
- **Quantification** expresses the extent to which a predicate is true over a range of elements

Statement		Negation	
$\forall x P(x)$	P(x) is true for every x	$\exists x \neg P(x)$	There is an x for which P(x) is false
$\exists x P(x)$	There is an x for which P (x) is true.	$\forall x \neg P(x)$	P(x) is false for every x

# Logical equivalences

Equivalence	Name
$p \& 1 \equiv p$ $p \vee 0 \equiv p$	Identity laws
$p \vee 1 \equiv 1$ $p \& 0 \equiv 0$	Domination laws
$p \vee p \equiv p$ $p \& p \equiv p$	Idempotent laws
$\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$	Double negation law
$p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$ $p \& q \equiv q \& p$	Commutative laws

Equivalence	Name
$(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$ $(p \& q) \& r \equiv p \& (q \& r)$	Associative laws
$p \vee (q \& r) \equiv (p \vee q) \& (p \vee r)$ $p \& (q \vee r) \equiv (p \& q) \vee (p \& r)$	Distributive laws
$\neg(p \& q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$ $\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \& \neg q$	De Morgan's laws
$p \vee (p \& q) \equiv p$ $p \& (p \vee q) \equiv p$	Absorption laws
$p \vee \neg p \equiv 1$ $p \& \neg p \equiv 0$	Negation laws

# Exercises III

1. Find the truth table of the compound propositions:
  1.  $(p \& q) \rightarrow (p \vee \neg r)$ .
  2.  $(p \rightarrow q) \& (\neg p \rightarrow r)$
2. Give the contrapositive of the statement:  
If  $|x| = x$ , then  $x \geq 0$ .
3. Show that  $p \leftrightarrow q$  and  $(p \& q) \vee (\neg p \& \neg q)$  are logically equivalent, using truth tables.
4. Show that  $\neg(p \vee (\neg p \& q))$  and  $\neg p \& \neg q$  are logically equivalent by developing a series of logical equivalences.
5. Show that the proposition is always true:  $(\neg q \& (p \rightarrow q)) \rightarrow \neg p$

# Homework

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1. Show that  $(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r$  and  $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$  are not logically equivalent.
2. Show that each of these conditional statements is a tautology by using truth tables.
  - a)  $(p \& q) \rightarrow p$
  - b)  $p \rightarrow (p \vee q)$
3. Use a truth table to verify the first De Morgan law:  $\neg(p \& q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$ .
4. Prove that  $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$  for all sets A, B, and C.
5. Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  and  $B = \{0, 3, 6\}$ . Find
  - a)  $A \cup B$
  - b)  $A \cap B$
  - c)  $A \setminus B$
  - d)  $B \setminus A$ .