

CHAPTER 2

SETS, FUNCTIONS,
SEQUENCES, SUMS



Why study this chapter?

Many important discrete structures are built using sets

$\{ \}$ graphs
relations

Functions

$f(x)$ used to represent complexity of algorithms
needed for cryptography, machine learning

Sequences

Summations $\sum a_n$

Learning Objectives

$\{ \}$ Manipulate set operations
 $\{ \}$ Represent sets by bit strings

$f(x)$ Determine whether a rule is a function
 $f(x)$ Determine whether a function is 1-1, onto, bijective

Σ Find composite functions
 Σ Find next terms, general term of a sequence
 Σ Express a sum as sigma notation

{ } sets

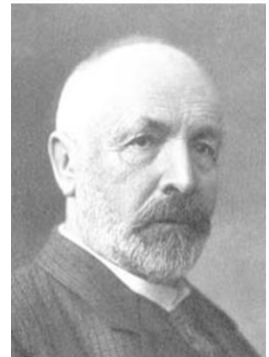
A collection of objects, called elements/members

$\{a, b, \{c\}\}$ is a set with 3 members a , b , and $\{c\}$

\mathbb{N} denotes the set of natural numbers $0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

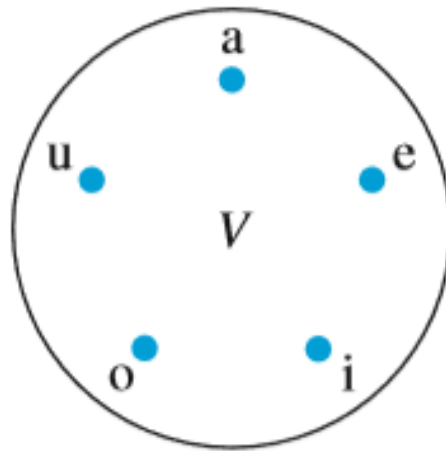
\mathbb{Z} is the set of integers $\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots$

\mathbb{R} is the set of real numbers



Georg Cantor
(1845–1918)

Venn diagrams



Venn diagram for
the set of vowels
 $V = \{a, e, i, o, u\}$

\in membership relation

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

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

$a \in A$ means

a is an **element/member** of the set A

a is **in** A

a **belongs** to the set A

equality

Two sets are called **equally** if and only if they have the same elements

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

$$\{1, 2, 3\} \neq \{2, 3, 4\}$$

$$\{a, b\} \neq \{a, \{b\}\}$$

\emptyset empty set

The set with **no elements**

$$\{x \mid x > 3 \text{ and } x < 2\} = \{\} = \emptyset$$



$$\emptyset = \{\emptyset\}$$

$$\emptyset \in \{3\}$$

$$\{a, \emptyset\} = \{a\}$$

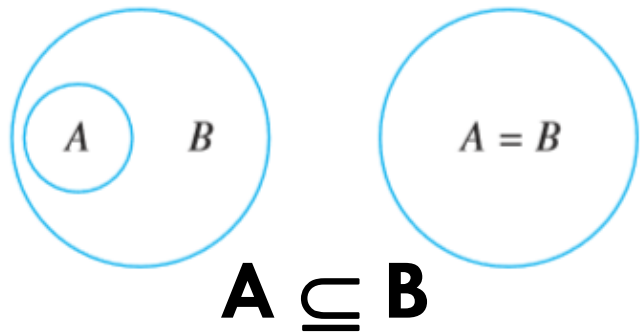
\subseteq subset

\subset proper subset

$$A \subseteq B$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall x (x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B)$$


A is called a **subset** of B,
e.g., $\{a, b\} \subseteq \{a, b, c\}$



Write $A \subset B$ if

$A \subseteq B$, and $A \neq B$

A is called a **proper subset**
of B, e.g., $\{a, b\} \subset \{a, b, c\}$

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

properties

$$\emptyset \subseteq S$$

Proof.

$$\forall x (\underbrace{x \in \emptyset}_{\text{F}} \Rightarrow x \in S)$$

$$\text{F} \Rightarrow \text{F}$$

$$\text{F} \Rightarrow \text{T}$$



$$\emptyset \subseteq \emptyset$$

$$\emptyset \subseteq \{a\}$$

$$\emptyset \in \{a\}$$

$$\emptyset \in \{a, \emptyset\}$$

$$S \subseteq S$$


Proof.

$$\forall x (x \in S \Rightarrow x \in S)$$

$$\text{F} \Rightarrow \text{F}$$

$$\text{T} \Rightarrow \text{T}$$

Set equality

 $A = B \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} A \subseteq B \\ B \subseteq A \end{cases}$



power set

set S	subsets	power set P(S)	P(S)
\emptyset	\emptyset	$\{\emptyset\}$	1
$\{1\}$	$\emptyset, \{1\}$	$\{\emptyset, \{1\}\}$	2
$\{1, 2\}$	$\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{1, 2\}$	$\{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{1, 2\}\}$	4
$\{1, 2, 3\}$	$\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 3\}$	$\{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 3\}\}$	8 2^n



✗ Cartesian product

$\{\text{white shirt}, \text{blue shirt}, \text{red shirt}\}$

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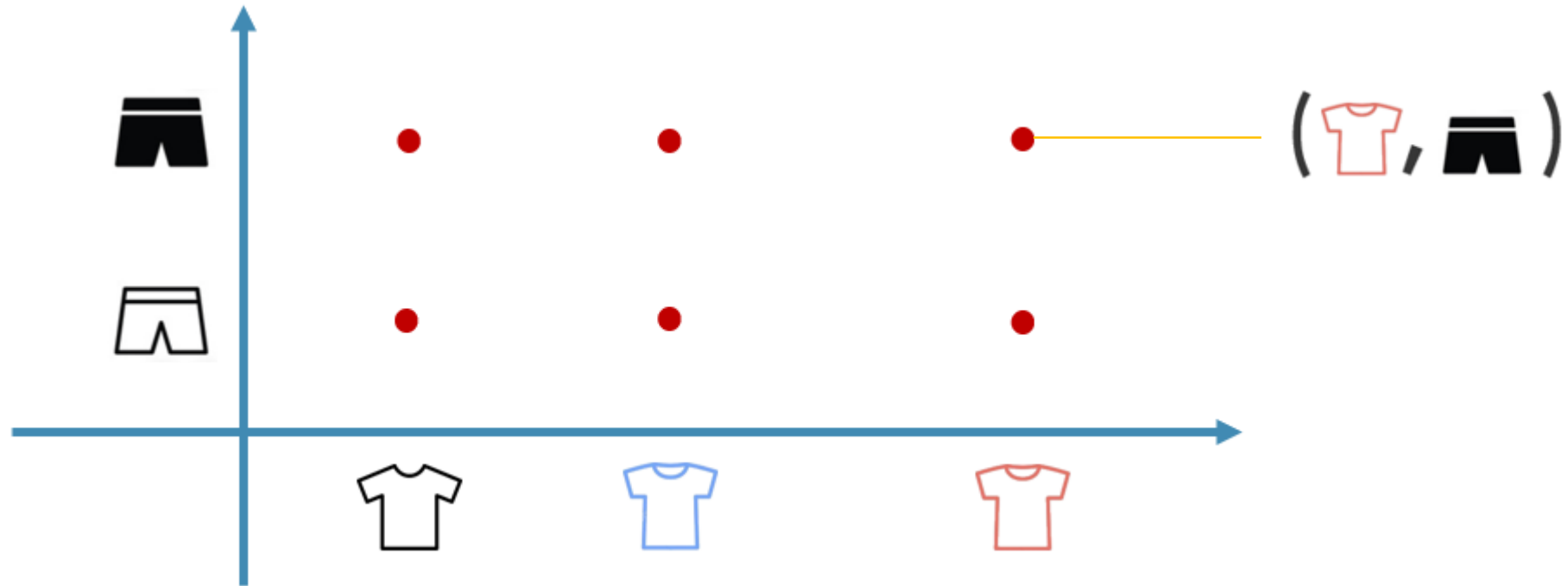
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$\{\text{white shorts}, \text{black shorts}\}$

$\{ (\text{white shirt}, \text{white shorts}), (\text{white shirt}, \text{black shorts}),$
 $(\text{blue shirt}, \text{white shorts}), (\text{blue shirt}, \text{black shorts}),$
 $(\text{red shirt}, \text{white shorts}), (\text{red shirt}, \text{black shorts}) \}$



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



Cartesian product

Given two sets $A = \{a, b, c\}$, and $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$



How many elements does $A \times B$ have?

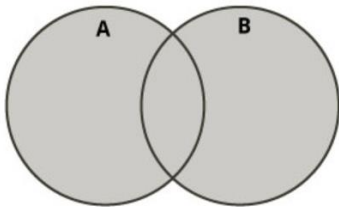
$(3, a) \in A \times B$

$\{b, 2\} \in A \times B$

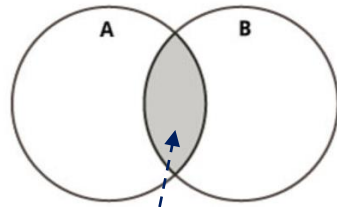
$\{(a, 1), (c, 3)\} \subseteq A \times B$

$A \times B = B \times A$

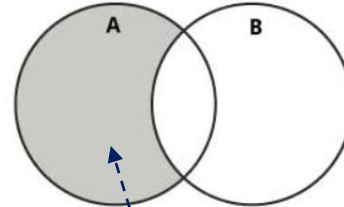
Set operations



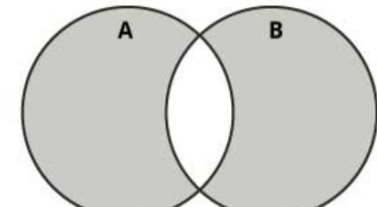
$A \cup B$
union



$A \cap B$
intersection



$A - B$
difference



$A \oplus B$
symmetric
difference

Universal set and complement

Universal set $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$

$$A = \{2, 5, 6, 8\}$$

complement of A $\bar{A} = \{1, 3, 4, 7\}$



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

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

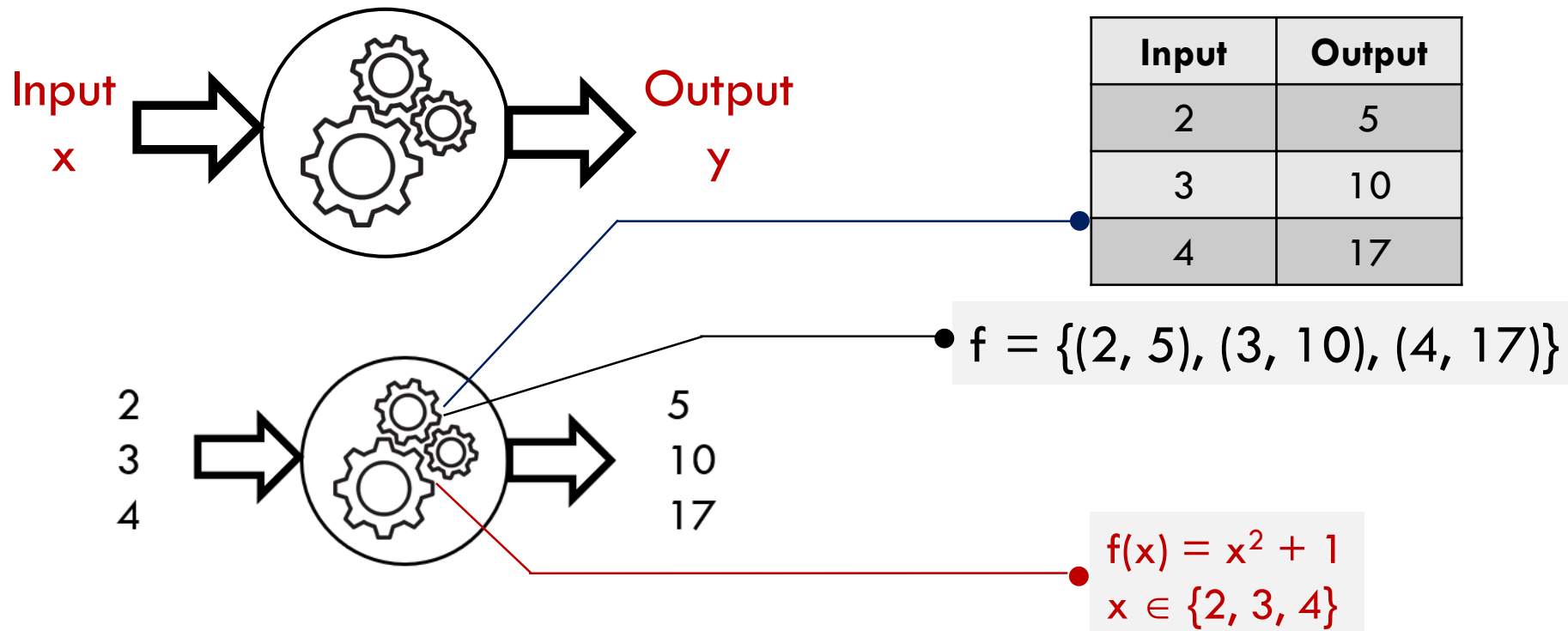
Computer representation of sets

U = {	1,	2,	3,	4,	5,	6,	7,	8 }
u[n]	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
A = {		2,	3,		5,		7	}
a[n]	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
B = {	1,	2,		4,	5,			8 }
b[n]	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1

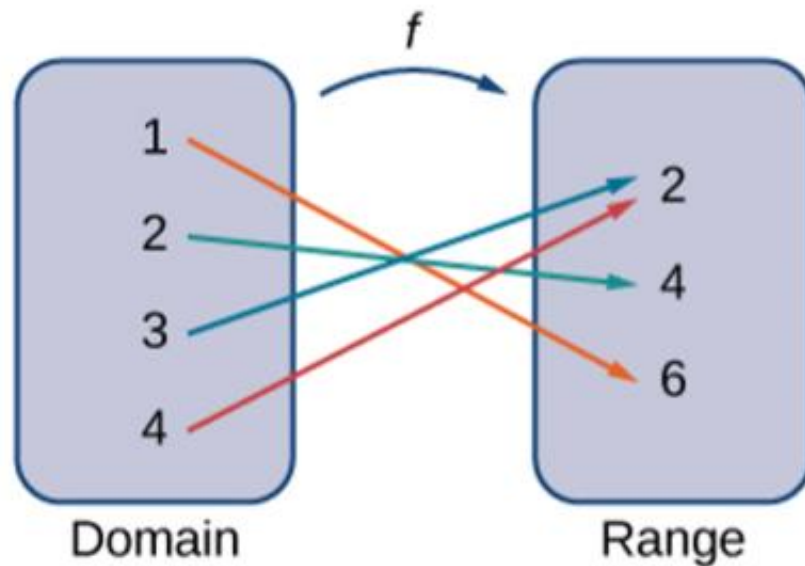


What is the bit string for \bar{A} ? $A \cup B$? $A \cap B$? $A - B$? $A \oplus B$?

$f(x)$ functions



Domain and range



$$f: A \rightarrow B$$

Read: function f
from A to B

A : domain of f

$f(A)$: range of f

function = mapping
= transformation

$$f = \{(1, 6), (2, 4), (3, 2), (4, 2)\}$$

function or not

$$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R},$$
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 2}$$



$$f(\sqrt{2}) = \frac{1}{0} !$$

$$f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R},$$
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 2}$$



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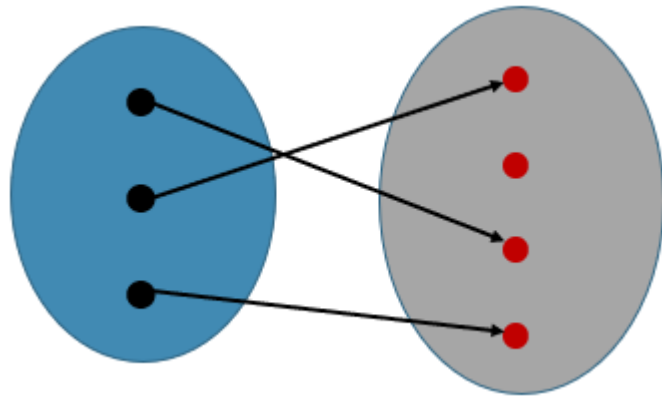


$$f(2) = \frac{1}{2} \notin \mathbb{Z}$$



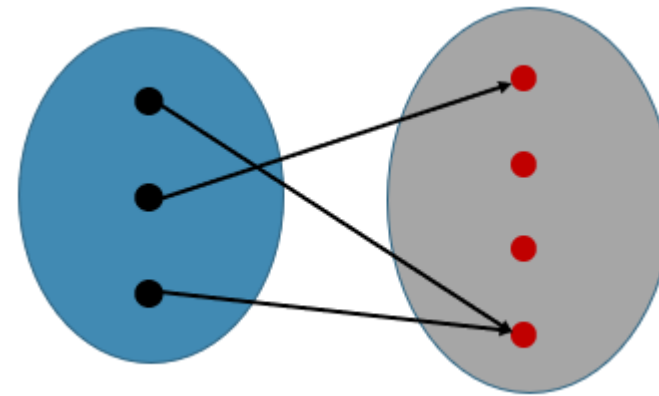
one-to-one

f is called **one-to-one** \Leftrightarrow
 $x \neq y \Rightarrow f(x) \neq f(y)$ for all x, y



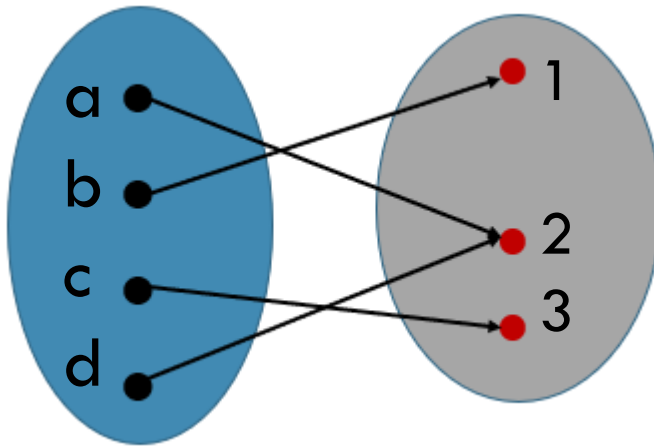
one-to-one

	ASCII
\$	→ 36
@	→ 64
A	→ 65
B	→ 66
C	→ 67



Not one-to-one

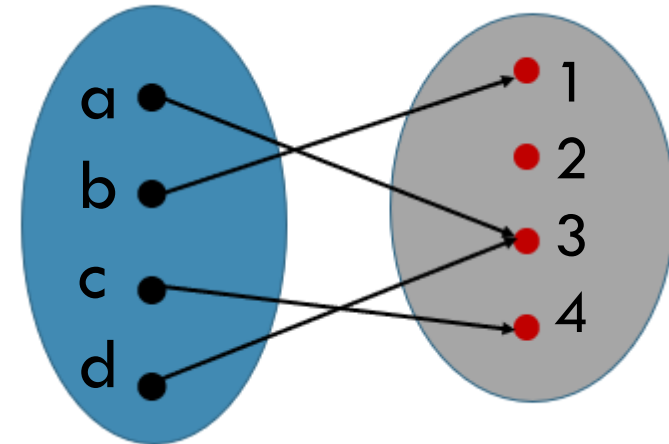
onto



Onto

$$f(A) = \{1, 2, 3\} = B$$

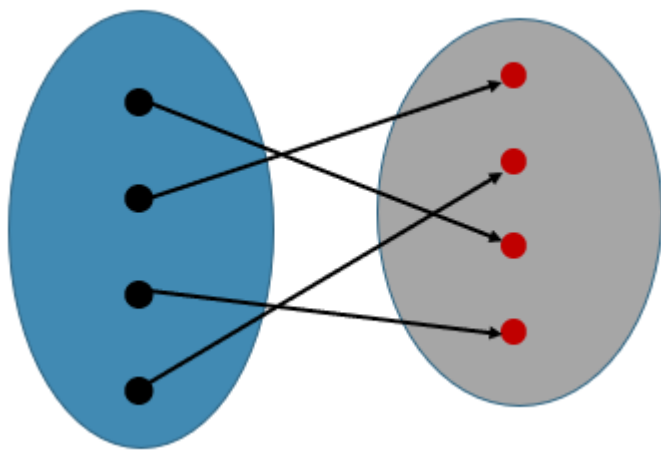
$f: A \rightarrow B$
is onto if
 $f(A) = B$



Not onto

$$f(A) = \{1, 3, 4\} \neq B$$

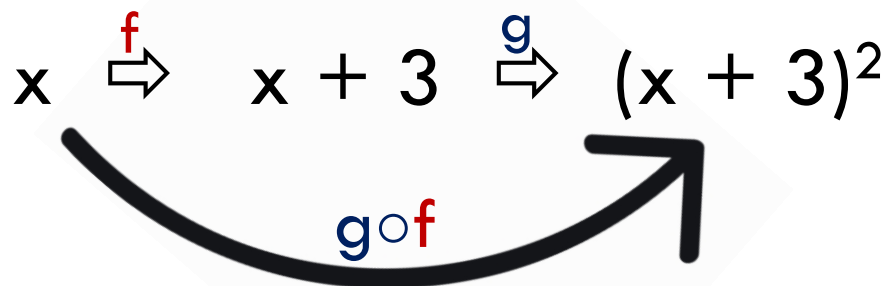
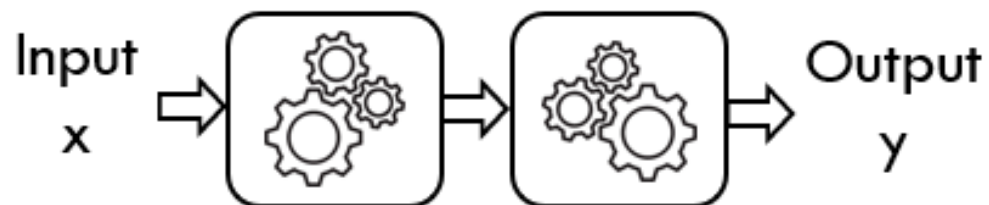
Bijection and inverse



bijection = 1-1 + onto

	ASCII
bijection	inverse
\$ → 36	\$ ← 36
@ → 64	@ ← 64
A → 65	A ← 65
B → 66	B ← 66
C → 67	C ← 67

composite function



$$f(x) = ?$$

$$g(x) = ?$$

$$(g \circ f)(x) = ?$$

composite function

Given $f = \{(a, 2), (b, 1), (c, 2)\}$

$g = \{(1, a), (2, b), (3, c)\}$

Find $g \circ f$ and $f \circ g$

$$a \Rightarrow 2 \Rightarrow b$$

$$b \Rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow a$$

$$c \Rightarrow 2 \Rightarrow b$$

$g \circ f = \{(a, b), (b, a), (c, b)\}$

$$1 \Rightarrow a \Rightarrow 2$$

$$2 \Rightarrow b \Rightarrow 1$$

$$3 \Rightarrow c \Rightarrow 2$$

$f \circ g = \{(1, 2), (2, 1), (3, 2)\}$

sequences

$a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, \dots$ sequence $\{a_n\}$

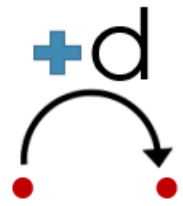
$a[1], a[2], a[3], a[4], \dots$ array $a[n]$

Lucas numbers

n	1	2	3	4	5	...
a_n	1	3	4	7	11	...



What are the
next two terms?



Arithmetic progression

Given the sequence 3, 7, 11, 15, 19, 23, 27, 31, ...



Find the next two terms of the sequence
35, 39

What is the general term a_n , the n^{th} term?

$$a_n = 4n - 1$$

Formulae of sequences

1/ 5, 11, 17, 23, 29, 35, 41, ...

$$a_n = 6n - 1$$

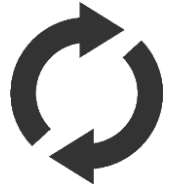
2/ 1, 3, 4, 7, 11, 18, 29, 47, ...

$$L_n = L_{n-1} + L_{n-2} \text{ with } L_1 = 1, L_2 = 3$$

// Lucas sequence

3/ 1, 7, 25, 79, 241, 727, 2185, ...

$$a_n = 3^n - 2$$



Recursive sequence

Given $a_1 = 3$, $a_2 = 2$, and $a_n = 3a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}$ when $n > 2$

Find a_3 , a_4 , a_5 .

n	1	2	3	4	5
a_n	3	2	3	7	18

Note: Dashed blue arrows in the original image show the calculation of a_3 from a_1 and a_2 , and a_4 from a_2 and a_3 .

Σ summations

$$\sum_{i=m}^n a_i$$

read: the sum from
 $i = m$ to $i = n$ of a_i

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = 1 + 2 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

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s := 0
for i := 1 to n do
  s := s + i
return(s)
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return(n*(n+1)/2)
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Σ summations

Write each of these sums as sigma notation

1/ $1 + 3 + 5 + 7 + 9 + 11$ $\sum_{i=1}^6 (2i-1)$

2/ $3 + 3 + 3 + 3 + 3$ $\sum_{i=1}^5 3$

3/ $1 + 4 + 7 + 10 + 13 + 16 + 19$ $\sum_{i=1}^7 (3i-2)$

summary

$\{ \}$ Sets

$f(x)$ Functions

 Sequences

Σ Summations

THANKS