



SET THEORY

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- **Set Theory:** One of the fundamental branches of mathematics
- Has a deep connection to Logic, as we'll see
- The notation and terminology is quite useful for describing both *data types* and *algorithms*

Outline



The lecture is structured as follows:

- Set Notation
- Set Operations
- Finite Sets with Equality
- Set Laws (Identities)
- Proofs with Sets
- Advanced Concepts



Set Notation

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- A **set** is a collection of objects called *members* or *elements*
- We can describe a set simply by listing all of its elements between brackets $\{ \dots \}$, this is called the **roster method**
 - **Example:**
 - $A = \{\text{dog, cat, horse}\}$
 - $C = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$
 - $E = \{\}$
 - $N = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$
- An element may only occur once in a given set
 - Thus, we can test membership using the membership operator \in which returns `True` or `False`
 - Similarly, we can test lack of membership with the not a member operator \notin
 - **Examples:**
 - $\text{dog} \in A = \text{True}$
 - $\text{dog} \notin A = \text{False}$

- Sets can have any number of elements
 - A has 3 elements
 - C has 5 elements
 - E has 0 elements
 - N has infinite elements
- The empty set, $\{\}$, is special and is denoted as \emptyset
- Sets tend to be denoted using a capital letter or as block font (i.e., \mathbb{S})

Some Important Sets

- $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$, the set of natural numbers
- $\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$, the set of all integers
- $\mathbb{Z}^+ = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$, the set of all positive integers
- $\mathbb{Q} = \{p/q \mid p \in \mathbb{Z}, q \in \mathbb{Z}, q \neq 0\}$, the set of all rational numbers
- \mathbb{R} = the set of real numbers
- $\mathbb{Q}^+ \{x \in \mathbb{R}^+ \mid x = \frac{p}{q}, \text{ for some positive integers } p, q\}$, the set of positive rational numbers
- \mathbb{R}^+ , the set of positive real numbers

- Another standard method of set notation is the **set comprehension** or **set builder** notation
 - In its simplest form, it is written as:

$$\{x \mid p\ x\}$$

Where:

- px is a predicate, which defines those items to be included
- **Read as:** “The set of x such that px ”
- **General Form:**

$$\{f\ x \mid p\ x\}$$

- Set contains values of the results of applying f to those values which satisfy $p\ x$
- **Example:**
 - Set of even numbers $\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{N} \wedge \text{even } x\}$

- In calculus, we study sets called **intervals**, which are sets of real numbers between two numbers a and b , and may include/exclude a and b .
- If $a, b \in \mathbb{R} \wedge a \leq b$, we denote these intervals by:

$$\begin{aligned} [a, b] &= \{x \mid a \leq x \leq b\} \Rightarrow \text{closed interval} \\ [a, b) &= \{x \mid a \leq x < b\} \\ (a, b] &= \{x \mid a < x \leq b\} \\ (a, b) &= \{x \mid a < x < b\} \Rightarrow \text{open interval} \end{aligned}$$

- In CS, the concept of a **data type** or **type** is based on the set concept
 - **Data type** or **type** is the name of a set, together with a set of operations that can be performed on objects of that set.
 - **Example:** Boolean = {True, False} together with the operators $\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow, \neg$

Venn Diagrams



- A graphic notation for sets named after John Venn who introduced these diagrams in 1881
- Starts with a rectangle labeled U , which represents the **universal set** that contains all objects under consideration
- Inside the rectangle we use shapes, typically circles or ellipses, to represent sets
- Inside sets, we can use points to show specific members

Subsets



- **Subset:** the set A is a *subset* of B , and B is a *superset* of A , iff every element of A is also an element of B

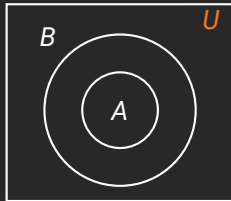
$A \subseteq B$ — A is a subset of B

$B \supseteq A$ — B is a superset of A

$A \subseteq B \equiv B \supseteq A$

$A \subseteq B \leftrightarrow \forall x. (x \in A \rightarrow x \in B)$

- To show that A is a subset of B
 - Show that if x belongs to A , then x also belongs to B
- To show that A is not a subset of B
 - To show $A \not\subseteq B$, find a single $x \in A$ such that $x \notin B$
- For every set S :
 - $\emptyset \subseteq S$
 - $S \subseteq S$



- **Set Equality:** To show that two sets A and B are equal, show that $A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq A$
- If we have two sets A and B , where A is a subset of B but where $A \neq B$, then we call A a **proper subset** of B , denoted as:

$$A \subset B$$

For $A \subset B$ to be true, then

$$\forall x. (x \in A \rightarrow x \in B) \wedge \exists x. (x \in B \wedge x \notin A)$$

- **Note:** Sets may also contain other sets as members

$$A = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\} \text{ and } B = \{x \mid x \subseteq \{a, b\}\}$$

$$A = B$$

- **Cardinality:** Let S be a set. If there are exactly n distinct elements in S where n is a nonnegative integer, we say S is a **finite set** and that n is the **cardinality** of S .
 - We denote the cardinality of a set S as: $|S|$
- **Example:**
 - The set, A , of odd positive integers < 10 . $|A| = 5$
 - The set, S , of letters in the English alphabet. $|S| = 26$
 - The empty set. $|\emptyset| = 0$
- A set is said to be **infinite** if it is not finite.
 - \mathbb{Z}^+ is infinite

- **Powerset:** Let A be a set. The *powerset*, written $\mathcal{P}(A)$, is the set of all subsets of A :

$$\mathcal{P}(A) = \{s \mid s \subseteq A\}$$

- **Examples:**

- $\mathcal{P}(\emptyset) = \{\emptyset\}$
 - $\mathcal{P}(\{a\}) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$
 - $\mathcal{P}(\{a, b\}) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$
 - $\mathcal{P}(\{a, b, c\}) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$
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- If $|A| = n$, then $|\mathcal{P}(A)| = 2^n$

- Often order of elements is important, but sets are unordered, so we often need something else
- **Ordered n-tuple:** (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) is an ordered collection that has a_1 as its first element, a_2 as its second element, \dots , and a_n as its n^{th}
 - we say two ordered n-tuples are equal iff each corresponding pair is equal
 - Ordered 2-tuples are called **ordered pairs**
 - The ordered pairs (a, b) and (c, d) are equal iff $a = b$ and $c = d$
- **Cartesian Product:** Let A and B be sets. The *cartesian product* of A and B , denoted $A \times B$, is the set of all ordered pairs (a, b) , where $a \in A$ and $b \in B$

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

- **Example:** $A = \{1, 2\}, B = \{a, b, c\}$
 $A \times B = \{(1, a), (1, b), (1, c), (2, a), (2, b), (2, c)\} \Rightarrow$ The *zip* function comes to mind

- The **cartesian product** of the sets A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n , denoted by $A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n$, is the set of ordered n-tuples (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) , where a_i belongs to A_i for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$$A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n = \{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \mid a_i \in A_i \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

- Example:** $A = \{0, 1\}, B = \{1, 2\}, C = \{0, 1, 2\}$

$$A \times B \times C = \{(0, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1), (0, 1, 2), (0, 2, 1), (0, 2, 1), (0, 2, 2), \\ (1, 1, 0), (1, 1, 1), (1, 1, 2), (1, 2, 0), (1, 2, 1), (1, 2, 2), \}$$

- A subset R of the Cartesian product $A \times B$ is called a **relation** from the set A to the set B , where the elements of R are ordered pairs, with the first element belonging to A and the second to B .

- Often we restrict the domain of a quantified statement

$\forall x \in S(P(x))$, which is shorthand for $\forall x.(x \in S \rightarrow P(x))$
“Universal quantification of $P(x)$ over all elements in S ”

$\exists x \in S(P(x))$, short hand for $\exists x.(x \in S \wedge P(x))$
“Existential quantification of $P(x)$ over all elements in S ”

- Truth Set:** Given a predicate P , and a domain D , the *truth set* of P is the set of elements $x \in D$ for which $P(x)$ is true.

That is the Truth Set of $P(x) = \{x \in D \mid P(x)\}$

- $\forall x.P(x)$ is true over the domain U iff the truth set of P is U
- $\exists x.P(x)$ is true over the domain U iff the truth set of P is not empty.

Set Operations

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Union, Intersection, and Difference



- **Union (\cup):** The *union* of two sets A and B , written $A \cup B$, is the set that contains all elements that are in either A or B , or both

$$A \cup B = \{x \mid x \in A \vee x \in B\}$$

- **Intersection (\cap):** The *intersection* of two sets A and B , written $A \cap B$, is the set that contains all elements that are in *both* A and B .

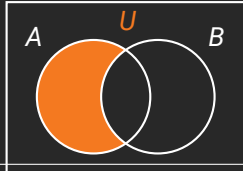
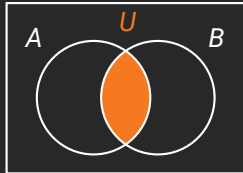
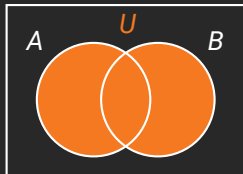
$$A \cap B = \{x \mid x \in A \wedge x \in B\}$$

- **Difference ($-$):** The *difference* of two sets A and B , written $A - B$, is the set of all elements that are in A but not in B

$$A - B = \{x \mid x \in A \vee x \notin B\}$$

- $|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$

- *Note:* $|A| + |B|$ counts elements twice hence the need to subtract $|A \cap B|$



Union, Intersection, and Difference



- **Example:** $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{3, 4, 5\}$, $C = \{4, 5, 6\}$

$$A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$$

$$A \cap B = \{3\}$$

$$A - B = \{1, 2\}$$

$$A \cup C = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$A \cap C = \emptyset$$

$$A - C = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

- **Example:** Let

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

\Rightarrow Set of integers

$$\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

\Rightarrow Set of natural numbers

$$\mathbb{H} = \{-2^{15}, \dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots, 2^{15} - 1\}$$

\Rightarrow Integers representable using 16-bit word

$$\mathbb{W} = \{-2^{31}, \dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots, 2^{31} - 1\}$$

\Rightarrow Integers representable using 32-bit word

$\mathbb{I} - \mathbb{W}$ is the set of integers not representable in a word

Symmetric Difference



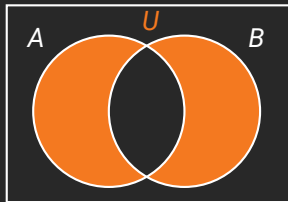
- **Symmetric Difference:** The symmetric difference of two sets A and B , written $A \oplus B$ is the set containing those elements in either A or B , but not in both A and B

$$A \oplus B = \{x | (x \in A \wedge x \notin B) \vee (x \notin A \wedge x \in B)\}$$

Identities:

- $A \oplus A = \emptyset$
- $A \oplus U = \bar{A}$
- $A \oplus \emptyset = A$
- $A \oplus \bar{A} = U$
- $A \oplus B = B \oplus A$
- $(A \oplus B) \oplus B = A$
- $A \oplus B = (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$
- $A \oplus B = (A - B) \cup (B - A)$

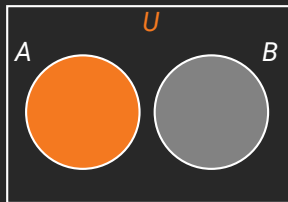
Venn Diagram:



Disjoint Sets



- **Disjoint Sets:** For any two sets A and B , if $A \cap B = \emptyset$ then A and B are *disjoint sets*
- **Example:** $A = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\}$ and $B = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}$
 $A \cap B = \emptyset$, thus A and B are disjoint
- **Venn Diagram:**



Set Complement



- **Complement:** Let U be the *universal set* and A be a set. The *complement* of A , written A' or \bar{A} , is the set $U - A$

$$\bar{A} = \{x \in U | x \notin A\}$$

- **Note:** $A - B = A \cap \bar{B}$

Example:

$$D = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 9\}$$

$$L = \{a, b, \dots, z\}$$

$$U = L \cup D$$

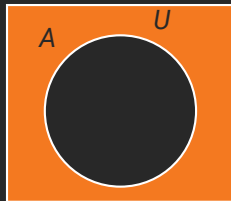
$$\bar{D} = L$$

$$\bar{L} = D$$

Example: $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

$$\overline{\{1, 2\}} = \{3, 4, 5\}$$

Venn Diagram:



Finite Sets with Equality

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- **Finite Set with Equality:** a set with a finite number of elements and for which we have a function to test the equality of two elements from the universe
 - These are important in computation as they can ensure computation over finite sets may terminate
- We can represent sets using a list, but there are important differences between lists and sets:
 1. Lists can have duplicate items
 2. There is a fixed order to the elements of a list
 3. All elements in a list must be of the same type

- To perform any useful computations involving sets, we must be able to determine if an element is in the set
 - This requires the ability to test if two values are the same (using ==)
 - Simple for elementary types, but difficult for compound types and functions
 - In Haskell, we can express the fact that it is possible to compare elements for equality, by using type restrictions:

```
Eq a => [a] -- as we use a list to represent a set
```

- Additionally, we want the ability to print the set, so we add the following additional restriction:

```
(Eq, Show) a => [a]
```

- Using lists to represent sets requires some care, specifically because
 - There is a possibility of duplicates
 - There is an ordering of the elements
- To ensure we do not allow duplicates, we need a means by which we can represent sets using a **normal form**, which contains no duplicates
 - All operations will then ensure their results are in normal form
- However, because order matters in lists, but not in sets the list $[3, 2, 1]$ is different from the list $[1, 2, 3]$, but as sets these are the same.
 - Thus, to alleviate this issue, we will ensure the sets are similarly ordered

- An ordered list, requires that the contained elements are comparable using the ($<$, $=$, $>$) operators

- This requires we add another type constraint:

```
Ord a => [a]
```

- This says that there must be an ordering on the element type a , which can be used to determine the relations $<$, \leq , $=$, \neq , $>$, \geq
- The methods to define lists can also be used to define sets
 - Enumerated set: defined by simply listing the elements (roster method)
 - **Sequence**: when enumeration is too tedious: $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 1000\} \Rightarrow [0, 1..1000]$
 - **Set Comprehension**: $\{x^2 \mid x \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}\} \Rightarrow [x^2 \mid x \leftarrow [0..n]]$

- We can define a *set type* as:

```
type Set a = [a]
```

- The universe of discourse

```
universe -- global var
```

Operations:

- The following are functions we can use on finite sets with equality. Each of these functions always returns a set in *normal form*

```
normalForm :: (Eq a, Show a) => [a] -> Bool -- checks if in normal form  
normalizeSet :: (Eq a, Show a) => [a] -> Bool -- normalizes a set
```

- Symbolic operators for set operations

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

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

$$A\sim\sim B = A - B$$

```
(+++)  
:: (Eq a, Show a) => Set a -> Set a -> Set a
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(***)  
:: (Eq a, Show a) => Set a -> Set a -> Set a
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(~~~)  
:: (Eq a, Show a) => Set a -> Set a -> Set a
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- Other Operations

```
subset, properSubset :: (Eq a, Show a) => Set a -> Set a -> Bool
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```
setEq :: (Eq a, Show a) => Set a -> Set a -> Bool
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```
complement S = universe ~~~ S
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```
powerset :: (Eq a, Show a) => Set a -> Set (Set a)
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```
crossproduct :: (Eq a, Show a, Eq b, Show b) => Set a -> Set b -> Set (a, b)
```



- There are many ways to represent sets using computers
 - For example, it may be tempting to store a set in an ad hoc unordered way
 - However, this is inefficient due to the large number of searches required to perform the various basic set operations
- Another way is to use an arbitrary ordering of elements on the universal set
- This requires a few assumptions
 1. The universe is finite
 2. The $|U| < \text{memory size of the computer}$

- We first specify the arbitrary ordering (i.e., ascending in value)
 - This creates the sequence in $U : a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$
- We then represent a subset A of U with a length n bit string
 - where the i th bit is 1 if a_i belongs to A and is 0 otherwise

- **Example:**

$U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$

$O =$ the odd numbers in $U = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\}$

$E =$ the even numbers in $U = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}$

O is represented as: 10 1010 1010

E is represented as: 01 0101 0101

Other Representations



Operations:

- **Complement:** of a set S is performed by taking the bitwise NOT of each bit in the bit string
- **Union:** of sets S and T is performed by taking the bitwise OR of S and T 's bit string representations
- **Intersection:** of sets S and T is performed by taking the bitwise AND of S and T 's bit string representations

Example:

$$E = \overline{O} = \text{NOT } 1010101010 = 0101010101$$

$E \cup O$

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0101010101
1010101010
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OR 1111111111
```

$E \cap O$

```
0101010101
1010101010
-----
AND 0000000000
```


Sets Laws

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- Often in carrying out set operations or in describing the properties of algorithms, we often need to use several operators together
- Fortunately, set operations satisfy a number of basic laws that simplify their use
- The first of which is:

\subseteq Transitivity: Let A , B , and C be sets. If $A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq C$, then $A \subseteq C$

Proof: Let x be any element of the universe

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|----|--|---------------------------|
| 1. | $A \subseteq B$ | {Premise} |
| 2. | $x \in A \rightarrow x \in B$ | {Def. \subseteq } |
| 3. | $B \subseteq C$ | {Premise} |
| 4. | $x \in B \rightarrow x \in C$ | {Def. \subseteq } |
| 5. | $x \in A \rightarrow x \in C$ | {2, 4, chain rule} |
| 6. | $\forall x. (x \in A \rightarrow x \in C)$ | { \forall introduction} |
| 7. | $A \subseteq C$ | {Def. \subseteq } |

Basic Laws



Laws: For any set A in universe U

Identity Laws

$$A \cap U = A$$

$$A \cup \emptyset = A$$

Idempotent Laws

$$A \cup A = A$$

$$A \cap A = \emptyset$$

Domination Laws

$$A \cup U = U$$

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

Double Complementation Law

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

Commutative and Associative



Laws: For all sets A , B , and C

Associative Laws

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

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

Set Difference

$$A - B = A \cap \bar{B}$$

Commutative Laws

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

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

Example: Prove $A \cap B = B \cap A$

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|----|--|-------------------|
| 1. | $x \in A \cap B$ | {Premise} |
| 2. | $x \in A \wedge x \in B$ | {Def. \cap } |
| 3. | $x \in B \wedge x \in A$ | {Comm. \wedge } |
| 4. | $x \in B \cap A$ | {Def. \cap } |
| 5. | $\forall x \in U. x \in A \cap B \leftrightarrow x \in B \cap A$ | {{ $\forall I$ }} |
| 6. | $A \cap B = B \cap A$ | {Def. set eq.} |

Distribution and DeMorgan's



Laws: For any sets A, B, C and universe U

Distributive Laws:

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

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

Absorption Laws

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

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

DeMorgan's Laws

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

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

Complement Laws

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

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

§ Proofs with Sets

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Using Membership Tables



- We can prove set identities using set membership tables
 - Here, we consider each combination of atomic sets (original sets used to produce the sets on each side of an identity) that an element can belong to.
 - We then verify that elements on the same combinations belong to both the sets in the identity
 - To indicate an element is in a set we use a 1, otherwise a 0
- **Example:** Show $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$

A	B	C	$B \cup C$	$A \cap (B \cup C)$	$A \cap B$	$A \cap C$	$(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

- Once we have proved set identities (laws), we can use them to prove new identities through equational reasoning
- Example:** Let A , B , and C be sets

Show that $\overline{A \cup (B \cap C)} = (\overline{C} \cup \overline{B}) \cap \overline{A}$

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{A \cup (B \cap C)} &= \overline{A} \cap \overline{(B \cap C)} && \{\text{DeMorgan's law}\} \\ &= \overline{A} \cap (\overline{B} \cup \overline{C}) && \{\text{DeMorgan's law}\} \\ &= (\overline{B} \cup \overline{C}) \cap \overline{A} && \{\text{Commutative law}\} \\ &= (\overline{C} \cup \overline{B}) \cap \overline{A} && \{\text{Commutative law}\}\end{aligned}$$

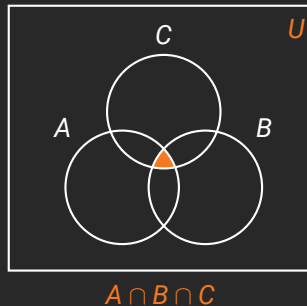
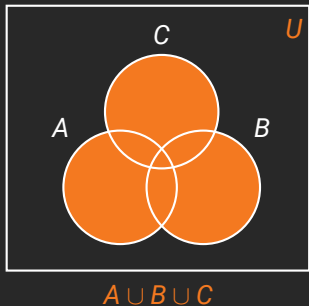
§ Advanced Concepts

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Generalized Union and Intersection



- We can calculate the union of several sets using the \cup operator.
 - Because it is associative, statements such as $A \cup B \cup C$ are unambiguous
- Similarly we can also find the intersection of multiple sets using a statement such as $A \cap B \cap C \cap D$
- However, attempting to visualize the union or intersection of 4+ sets starts to get difficult.



Generalized Union and Intersection



- Sometimes it becomes necessary to compute the union or intersection of a collection of sets.
- The corresponding operations which handle this are often called *big union* and *big intersection*
- Let \mathcal{C} be a non-empty collection of subsets of U . Let I be a non-empty set, and for each $i \in I$ let $A_i \subseteq U$, then

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = \{x \mid \exists i \in I. x \in A_i\} \quad \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i = \{x \mid \forall i \in I. x \in A_i\}$$

- We could also consider writing these same definitions as follows:

$$\bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{C}} A = \{x \mid \exists A \in \mathcal{C}. x \in A\} \quad \bigcap_{A \in \mathcal{C}} A = \{x \mid \forall A \in \mathcal{C}. x \in A\}$$

- In either case

$$A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n = \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \quad A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_n = \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i$$

- **Multiset:** An unordered collection of elements, where an element can occur as a member more than once
 - **Notation:** $\{m_1 \cdot a_1, m_2 \cdot a_2, \dots, m_r \cdot a_r\}$ denotes the multiset with element a_1 occurring m_1 times, element a_2 occurring m_2 times and so on.
 - The numbers $m_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, r$ are called **multiplicities** of the elements $a_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, r$
 - Elements not in the multiset have a multiplicity of 0

Cardinality: The cardinality of a multiset is defined as the sum of the multiplicities of its elements

- **Examples:**

$$P = \{4 \cdot a, 1 \cdot b, 3 \cdot c\}$$

$$|P| = 4 + 1 + 3 = 8$$

- **Union:** the *union* of multisets P and Q is the multiset in which the multiplicity of an element is the maximum of its multiplicities in P and Q . Written as $P \cup Q$
- **Intersection:** the *intersection* of multisets P and Q is the multiset in which the multiplicity of an element is the minimum of its multiplicities in P and Q . Written as $P \cap Q$
- **Difference:** the *difference* of multisets P and Q is the multiset in which the multiplicity of an element is the multiplicity of the element in P less its multiplicity in Q unless the difference is negative, in which case the multiplicity is 0. Written as $P - Q$
- **Sum:** the *sum* of multisets P and Q is the multiset in which the multiplicity of an element is the sum of the multiplicities in P and Q . Written as $P + Q$

Multiset Operation Examples



- **Example:** $P = \{4 \cdot a, 1 \cdot b, 3 \cdot c\}$ and $Q = \{3 \cdot a, 4 \cdot b, 2 \cdot d\}$

$$\begin{aligned} P \cup Q &= \{\max(4, 3)a, \max(1, 4)b, \max(3, 0)c, \max(0, 2)d\} \\ &= \{4 \cdot a, 4 \cdot b, 3 \cdot c, 2 \cdot d\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P \cap Q &= \{\min(4, 3)a, \min(1, 4)b, \min(3, 0)c, \min(0, 2)d\} \\ &= \{3 \cdot a, 1 \cdot b, 0 \cdot c, 0 \cdot d\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P - Q &= \{\max(4 - 3, 0)a, \max(1 - 4, 0)b, \max(3 - 0, 0)c, \max(0 - 2, 0)d\} \\ &= \{1 \cdot a, 3 \cdot c\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P + Q &= \{(4 + 3)a, (1 + 4)b, (3 + 0)c, (0 + 2)d\} \\ &= \{7 \cdot a, 5 \cdot b, 3 \cdot c, 2 \cdot d\} \end{aligned}$$

- *Fuzzy sets* are a type of set typically used in AI and ML
- Each element in the universe U has a degree of membership, in fuzzy set S
 - *Degree of membership* is a real number $[0, 1]$
- A fuzzy set is denoted by listing the elements with their degree
 - elements with degree 0 are not listed
- **Example:** $\{0.6 \text{ Alice}, 0.9 \text{ Brian}, 0.4 \text{ Fred}, 0.1 \text{ Oscar}, 0.5 \text{ Rita}\} = F$
- A traditional, or **crisp set**, is a fuzzy set where all elements that are members have a degree of 1.0 and all other elements have a degree of 0.0

- **Union (\cup):** The union of two fuzzy sets S and T is the fuzzy set $S \cup T$ where the degree of membership of an element in $S \cup T$ is the maximum of the degrees of membership of this element in S and T
- **Intersection (\cap):** The intersection of two fuzzy sets S and T is the set $S \cap T$, where the degree of membership of an element in $S \cap T$ is the minimum of the degrees of membership of this element in S and in T .
- **Complement:** The complement of a fuzzy set S is the set \bar{S} , with the degree of membership of an element in \bar{S} equal to 1.0 minus the degree of membership for the element in S

For Next Time



- Review DMUC Chapter 8
- Review DMA Chapter 2.1 – 2.2
- Review this Lecture
- Read DMUC Chapter 3





Are there any questions?