

# IDMA FUNDAMENTALS

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Plans for today:

- Sets
- Sequences
- Sums
- Integers

Some of this already known, probably  
some of this might be new material

## SETS

**SET** collection of **ELEMENTS** or **MEMBERS**

Ex  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$

Positive integers smaller than 10

Set of vertices in example graph in  
first lecture

Sets are **UNORDERED** and **WITHOUT REPETITIONS**

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

What if we care <sup>about</sup> order and/or repetitions?

- Repetitions multi-set
- Order ordered set

**MEMBERSHIP** in set  **$x \in A$**

Ex For set A above

$$3 \in A$$

$$15 \notin A$$

## Some important sets

$\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  non-negative integers

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

How to specify sets?

- list members

- description  $\{ \text{element} \mid \text{description/condition} \}$

Ex  $\mathbb{Z} = \{a, -a \mid a \in \mathbb{N}\}$

$E = \{2a \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  all even numbers

$\mathbb{N}^+ = \mathbb{Z}^+ = \{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid a > 0\}$

$\mathbb{Q} = \{a/b \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0\}$  rational numbers

$\mathbb{R}$  all real numbers

$A$  is a SUBSET of  $B$ , denoted  $A \subseteq B$

if for all  $x \in A$  it holds that  $x \in B$

Ex  $B = \{2, 3, 4\}$ ;  $C = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$   $D = \{4, 5, 6\}$

$B \subseteq C$  but  $D \not\subseteq C$

When we are discussing sets, they are usually contained in some "universe" of objects that we are considering.

When this is clear from context, such a universe is denoted U

EMPTY SET.  $\emptyset$  contains no element

A FINITE set is a set that contains  $n$  elements for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

CARDINALITY  $|A| = \# \text{ elements}$

Sets that are not finite are called INFINITE

Sometimes write  $|A| = \infty$

Ex  $D = \{4, 5, 6\}$  finite  $|D| = 3$   
 $|\mathbb{Z}| = \infty$ ;  $\mathbb{Z}$  infinite

POWER SET of  $A$ : set consisting of all subsets of  $A$   $P(A)$  or  $2^A$

Ex  $P(D) = \{\emptyset, \{4\}, \{5\}, \{6\}, \{4, 5\}, \{4, 6\}, \{5, 6\}, \{4, 5, 6\}\}$

## OPERATIONS ON SETS

UNION  $|A \cup B| = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$

INTERSECTION  $|A \cap B| = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$

COMPLEMENT OF  $B$  WITH RESPECT TO  $A$

$|A - B|$  or  $|A \setminus B| = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$

COMPLEMENT OF  $B$   $|\bar{B}| = U \setminus B = \{x \mid x \notin B\}$   
 assuming universe  $U$

Ex  $B = \{2, 3, 4\}$   $D = \{4, 5, 6\}$

$$B \cup D = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$B \cap D = \{4\}$$

$$B \setminus D = \{2, 3\}$$

Can take union and intersection of multiple sets

DEFINITION

$$\boxed{\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i} = \{x \mid \text{for some } A_i \text{ it holds that } x \in A_i\}$$

$$\boxed{\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i} = \{x \mid \text{for all } A_i \text{ it holds that } x \in A_i\}$$

If  $A \cap B = \emptyset$  then  $A$  and  $B$  are DISJOINT

Can also define more elaborate operations

SYMMETRIC DIFFERENCE  $|A \Delta B|$  or  $A \oplus B$

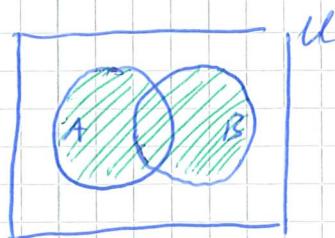
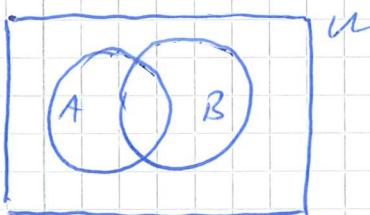
$$\{x \mid \text{or } \begin{cases} x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B \\ x \notin A \text{ and } x \in B \end{cases}\}$$

KBR, but non-standard

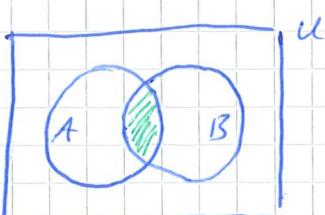
$$\text{So } A \Delta B = (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B)$$

$$\text{Ex } B \Delta D = \{2, 3, 5, 6\}$$

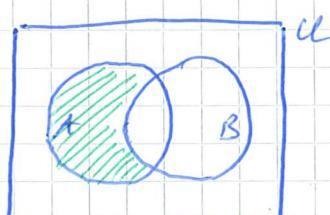
VENN DIAGRAMS can be used to illustrate relations between sets



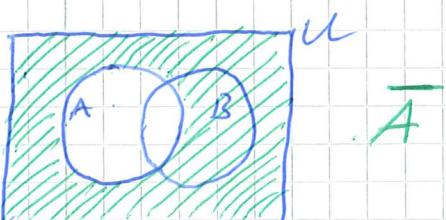
$$A \cup B$$



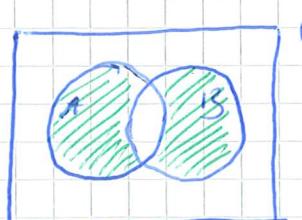
$$A \cap B$$



$$A \setminus B$$



$$\bar{A}$$

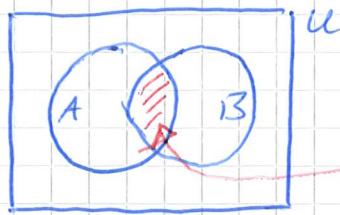


$$A \Delta B$$

## INCLUSION - EXCLUSION

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How to count # elements in  $A \cup B$ ?



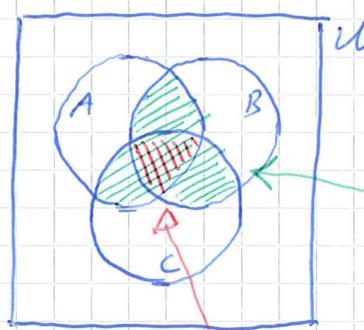
First attempt:  $|A| + |B|$

Counting intersection twice!

Adjust

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

What about three sets?



$$|A \cup B \cup C| =$$

$$\begin{aligned} & |A| + |B| + |C| \\ & - |A \cap B| - |A \cap C| - |B \cap C| \\ & + |A \cap B \cap C| \end{aligned}$$

Counting green area too much

Now removed  $A \cap B \cap C$  one time too many

Can be generalized to more sets than 3  
Important formula in combinatorics

## SOME CLASSES OF FUNCTIONS

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POLYNOMIALS  $p(x) = a_n \cdot x^n + a_{n-1} \cdot x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 \cdot x + a_0$   
 $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$  COEFFICIENTS  
 (Assume  $a_n \neq 0$ ; otherwise can be dropped)  
 DEGREE  $\deg(p) = n$

Can also have  $x^r$  for  $r \in \mathbb{R}$

Then require  $x \geq 0$

EXPONENTIALS  $f(y) = b^y$

$b > 0$  constant BASE

$y \in \mathbb{R}$

LOGARITHM BASE  $b$

$\log_b x$  is the number  $y$  s.t.  $b^y = x$

Assume  $x > 0$ ; focus on  $b > 1$ .

PROPERTIES OF LOGARITHMS

For  $b, c > 0$ ,  $b, c \neq 1$

$x, x_1, x_2 > 0$

$r \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\log_b x^r = r \log_b x$$

$$\log_b (x_1 \cdot x_2) = \log_b x_1 + \log_b x_2$$

$$\log_b x = \frac{\log_c x}{\log_c b}$$

Verify directly from definition

## ASYMPTOTICS

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Let  $k, a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$

$$k > 0$$

$$a > 1$$

$$b > 0$$

$$c > 1$$

Then

"constant < log"

$k$  is  $o(\log x)$

"log < polynomial"

$\log x$  is  $o(x^b)$

"polynomial < exponential"

$x^b$  is  $o(c^x)$

Logarithms scale the same  
regardless of base

For polynomials:

larger exponent  $\Rightarrow$  asymptotically faster growth

For exponentials:

larger base  $\Rightarrow$  asymptotically faster growth

SEQUENCE

ordered list of numbers

Numbers called ELEMENTS or TERMS

Ex

$$1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, \dots \quad (a_n)$$

$$1, 2, 6, 24, 120, 720, \dots \quad (b_n)$$

$$0, 3, 8, 15, 24, 35, 48, \dots \quad (c_n)$$

NOTATION $(a_n)$  — whole sequence $a_n$  — nth termn usually ranges from 0 or 1  
up to infinity

How to specify sequence?

(a) EXPLICIT  $a_n = f(n)$ 

$$\text{Ex} \quad c_n = n^2 - 1$$

(b) RECURSIVE

- Specify finite number of initial elements

 $a_1, \dots, a_k$ - Define  $a_n$  for  $n > k$  in terms of previous elementsEx

$$a_1 = a_2 = 1$$

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$$

FIBONACCI SEQUENCE

$$b_1 = 1$$

$$b_n = n \cdot b_{n-1}$$

n! n-FACTORIAL

Recursive definitions often appear when analysing running time of recursive programs

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Ex

### BINARY SEARCH

$T_n$  : time for list of size  $n$

$$T_1 = k_1 \quad \text{some constant } k_1$$

$$T_n \leq k_2 + T_{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \quad \text{some constant } k_2$$

### MERGE SORT

$T_n$  : time for list of size  $n$

$$T_1 = k_1$$

$$T_n \leq k_2 \cdot n + 2 \cdot T_{\lceil n/2 \rceil}$$

Can identify sequence  $(a_n)$  <sup>(with)</sup> function

$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$f(n) = a_n$$

Can use asymptotic notation also for sequences

BINARY SEARCH

$$T_n = O(\log n)$$

MERGE SORT

$$T_n = O(n \log n)$$

## SERIES

Summation symbol

"Sum of  $a_i$  from  $i=1$  to  $n$ "

Meaning:  $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{n-1} + a_n$

Given sequence  $(a_n)$   $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$

A SERIES is a sequence  $(S_k)$  whose  $k$ th term is given by.

$$S_k = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_k = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^k a_i \right]$$

Equivalently, can write

$$\begin{cases} S_k = S_{k-1} + a_k \\ S_1 = a_1 \end{cases}$$

Series also show up in analysis of algorithm running times

Ex For INSERTION SORT we had  
(essentially)  $C \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n i = \Theta(n^2)$



Fix

## USEFUL IDENTITIES

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$$\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n c \cdot a_i = c \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i + \sum_{i=m+1}^n a_i \quad [m \leq n]$$

## SOME USEFUL FACTS

$$\log(n!) = \Theta(n \log n)$$

[see notes on Absalon]

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} = \Theta(\log n)$$

Exercise Prove this by

- comparing  $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i}$  and  $\int_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x} dx$

- using that  $\frac{d}{dx} \ln(x) = \frac{1}{x}$

# EXPLICIT EXPRESSIONS FOR COMMON SERIES

FXII

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + (n-1) + n$$

$$\boxed{\sum_{i=1}^n i} = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \underline{\Theta(n^2)}$$

$$1 + 4 + 9 + 16 + \dots + (n-1)^2 + n^2$$

$$\boxed{\sum_{i=1}^n i^2} = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} = \underline{\Theta(n^3)}$$

$$c + c^2 + c^3 + c^4 + \dots + c^{n-1} + c^n$$

$$\boxed{\sum_{i=1}^n c^i} = \frac{c^{n+1} - c}{c - 1} = \underline{\Theta(c^n)}$$

$c \neq 1$

for  $c > 1$

How can we prove

FXIII

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

Check some values

$n$	$\sum_{i=1}^n i$
1	$1 = 1 \cdot 2 / 2$
2	$1 + 2 = 3 = 2 \cdot 3 / 2$
3	$1 + 2 + 3 = 6 = 3 \cdot 4 / 2$
4	$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 = 10 = 4 \cdot 5 / 2$

Not a proof... Check some more

(5)

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 &= \\
 (\underbrace{1 + 2 + 3 + 4}) + 5 &= \\
 \underbrace{\frac{4 \cdot 5}{2}} + 5 &= \\
 \frac{4 \cdot 5 + 2 \cdot 5}{2} &=
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{5 \cdot 6}{2}$$

(6)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underbrace{1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5} + 6 &= \\
 \underbrace{\frac{5 \cdot 6}{2}} + 6 &= \\
 \frac{5 \cdot 6 + 2 \cdot 6}{2} &= \\
 \frac{6 \cdot 7}{2} &=
 \end{aligned}$$

Suppose we checked up to  $n$   
For  $n+1$  we get

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$$\begin{aligned} & \boxed{1 + 2 + \dots + (n-1) + n} + (n+1) = \\ & \boxed{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} + (n+1) = \\ & \frac{n(n+1) + 2(n+1)}{2} = \text{THE EXPRESSION} \\ & \quad \text{WE WERE} \\ & \quad \text{LOOKING FOR} \\ & \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{2} = \boxed{\frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Is this a proof?

What about  $c + c^2 + c^3 + c^4 + \dots$

$$\begin{array}{c|l} n & \sum_{i=1}^n c^i \\ \hline 1 & c = \frac{c^2 - c}{c - 1} = c\left(\frac{c-1}{c-1}\right) \\ 2 & c + c^2 = \frac{(c^2 + c)(c-1)}{c-1} = \frac{c^3 - c}{c-1} \\ 3 & c + c^2 + c^3 = \frac{(c^3 + c^2 + c)(c-1)}{c-1} = \frac{c^4 - c}{c-1} \end{array}$$

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(4)

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ c + c^2 + c^3 \right] + c^4 = \\ & \left[ \frac{c^4 - c}{c - 1} \right] + c^4 = \\ & \frac{c^4 - c + (c-1)c^4}{c-1} = \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{c^4 - c + c^5 - c^4}{c-1} =$$

$$\frac{c^5 - c}{c-1}$$

(5)

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ c + c^2 + c^3 + c^4 \right] + c^5 = \\ & \left[ \frac{c^5 - c}{c - 1} \right] + c^5 = \\ & \frac{c^5 - c + (c-1)c^5}{c-1} = \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{c^5 - c + c^6 - c^5}{c-1} =$$

$$\frac{c^6 - c}{c-1}$$

Suppose we checked correctness up to  $c^n$ . For  $c^{n+1}$  we get

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \boxed{c + c^2 + \dots + c^{n-1} + c^n} + c^{n+1} = \\
 & \boxed{\frac{c^{n+1} - c}{c - 1}} + c^{n+1} = \\
 & \frac{c^{n+1} - c + (c-1)c^{n+1}}{c-1} = \\
 & \frac{c^{n+1} - c + c^{n+2} - c^{n+1}}{c-1} = \\
 & = \boxed{\frac{c^{n+2} - c}{c-1}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Is this a proof?

We have shown that

- (a) formula correct for small values of  $n$
- (b) if formula correct for  $n$ , then correct for  $n+1$

MATHEMATICAL INDUCTION — more about this, next time!