

Tutorial – Mathematics for Social Scientists

Winter semester 2024/25

Basics and Preliminaries

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To do

- introduction: problem sets
- weekly recap
 - basics and preliminaries
 - intro to algebra
- hands on practice
- questions

Introduction

Problem Sets:

- There will be four problem sets throughout the semester, each is worth 12.5% of your final grade
- There will be 1 PS for each main block:
 - Algebra – 05/11/2024
 - Calculus ID – 26/11/2024
 - Probability – 07/01/2025
 - Multivariate Calculus – 21/01/2025
- Note that these dates are preliminary and may change throughout the semester

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Introduction

Problem Sets:

- You have 1 week to complete each PS and to hand in a **scan** in **pdf format** via Ilias **within** the deadline
- You should name your file → **PSX_matrikelnr.pdf** e.g. **PS1/1234567**
- Please write your last name and matrikel nr. /Student ID on the last page of your paper version before you scan it

Introduction

There are a bunch of good helping hands out there to support your learning process:

- Wolfram Alpha
- Symbolab
- R, python, MATLAB
- Chat GPT
- GeoGebra
- etc...

→ Do **NOT** rely on these too much! You **CANNOT** use them during the exam

Chapter 1 | Preliminaries

Preliminary vocab

Theory

- a set of statements involving **concepts** and concern relationships among abstract concepts

Statements

- comprise **assumptions, propositions, corollaries**, and **hypotheses**

Assumptions are asserted by us

- **propositions** and corollaries are deduced from these assumptions
 - **hypotheses** are derived from these deductions and then empirically challenged

Preliminary vocab

Concepts

- inventions that human beings create to help them understand the world and may take on different values

Variables

- **indicators** we develop to measure our concepts
- mathematically they take on different values in given sets

Constants

- concept or a measure that has a **single value** for a **given set**

Sets

- describe variables as **discrete** or **continuous**
- **discrete**
 - a variable is **discrete** if each one of its possible values can be associated with **a single integer**
- **continuous:**
 - a variable is **continuous** if its values **cannot be** assigned a **single integer**
 - typically assumed to be drawn from **subset** of **real numbers**

- sets give the **domain** – the **range of values** – a concept may take

Table 1.1: Common Sets

Notation	Meaning
\mathbb{N}	Natural numbers
\mathbb{Z}	Integers
\mathbb{Q}	Rational numbers
\mathbb{R}	Real (rational and irrational) numbers
\mathbb{C}	Complex numbers
Subscript: \mathbb{N}_+	Positive (negative) values of the set
Superscript: \mathbb{N}^d	Dimensionality (number of dimensions)

Moore and Siegel, 2013, p. 5

Types of sets

Solution set

- all solutions to a problem

Sample space

- contains all values a variable can take on

Spaces

- sets with some structure – e.g. the difference between elements in \mathbb{Z}

Finite sets

- have fixed cardinality – e.g. all integers between 1 and 10

Infinite sets ... do not

- all numbers in \mathbb{Z}

Uncountable sets

- cannot be classified using cardinality – e.g. all decimal numbers between 1 and 3

Tuple

- an ordered pair

Singleton

- only one element

Empty set

- contains no element

Universal set

- contains ALL elements

Ordered sets

- order of elements must be maintained

Unordered sets

- order does not matter

Operators

The classics:

- addition, subtraction, multiplication, division

Sum operator

- the sum of x_i over the range from $i = 1$ through $i = 4$

$$\sum_{i=1}^4 x_i = 1+2+3+4=10$$

$$\sum_i^n x_i$$

Multiplication operator

- the product of x_i over the range from $i = 1$ through $i = 4$

$$\prod_{i=1}^4 x_i = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 = 24$$

$$\prod_i^n x_i$$

Set operators

Union

- $A \cup B$

Intersection

- $A \cap B$

Difference

- $A \setminus B$

Complement

- $\neg B$

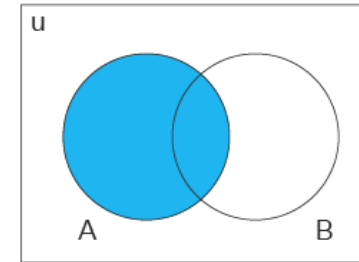
Partition P of M

- $P = \{\{blue\}, \{green\}\}$ and $M = \{blue, green\}$

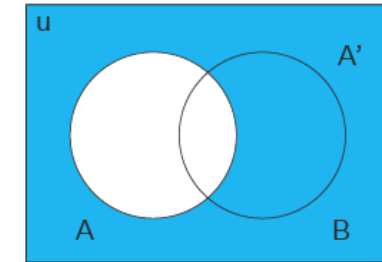
Cartesian Product

- $A \times B$

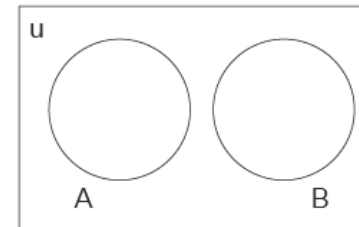
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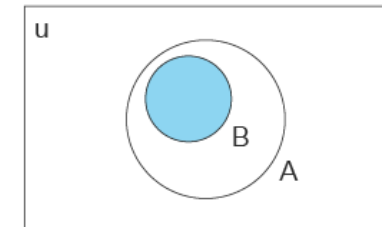
Set A



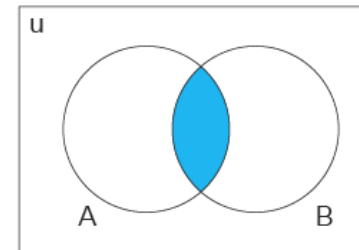
A' the complement of A



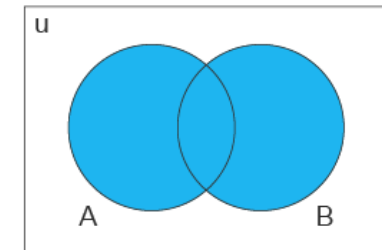
A and B are disjoint sets



B is proper subset of A
 $B \subset A$



Both A and B
A intersect B
 $A \cap B$



Either A or B
A union B
 $A \cup B$

Hands on – Set operators

Task: Let $A = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\}$, $B = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}$, $C = \{2, 5, 8, 9\}$ from the universal set $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$. Assuming that we do not include the same number as duplicates, find the following:

- $A \cap C$
- $A \cup C$
- $B \cap C$
- $A \setminus C$
- $\neg B$
- $(A \cup C) \setminus B$
- $(A \cap B) \setminus C$
- $\neg(A \cup C)$

Hands on – Set operators

Solution:

- $A \cap C = \{5, 9\}$
- $A \cup C = \{1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9\}$
- $B \cap C = \{2, 8\}$
- $A \setminus C = \{1, 3, 7\}$
- $\neg B = A$
- $(A \cup C) \setminus B = A$
- $(A \cap B) \setminus C = \{ \}$
- $\neg(A \cup C) = \{4, 6, 10\}$

Hands on – Partitions

Task: Find all partitions of $M = \{1, 3, 5\}$

Hands on – Partitions

Solution: M has five partitions:

- $P_1 = \{\{1, 3, 5\}\}$
- $P_2 = \{\{1\}, \{3, 5\}\}$
- $P_3 = \{\{3\}, \{1, 5\}\}$
- $P_4 = \{\{5\}, \{1, 3\}\}$
- $P_5 = \{\{1\}, \{3\}, \{5\}\}$

Set operators

Mutually exclusive

- **intersection** equal to the **empty set**, i.e., sets with no elements in their intersection

Collectively exhaustive

- a group of sets is **collectively exhaustive** if **together** the sets constitute the **universal set**

Relations

- **used to compare** variables, constants and concepts via $>$, \geq , \leq , $<$, $=$, \neq
- **binary relation**
 - ordered by size (a, b) or $a > b$
- **functions** are relations, too!
- **consider a function $f(x)$**
 - **domain**
 - The domain consists of all possible values that x can take on
 - **range**
 - The range consists of all possible values y takes on given x

Level of measurement

Difference of kind

- **nominal** – distinction by name, type
[Greens, SPD, CDU, ...]

Difference of degree

- **ordinal** – distinction by order, size
[language ability on your CV]
- **interval** – same difference between each element [\mathbb{Z} - set of all integers, temperature]
- **ratio** – ‚meaningful‘ or true 0 as starting point [length in metres]

	Distinct categories	Meaningful order	Equal spacing	True zero
Nominal	✓			
Ordinal	✓	✓		
Interval	✓	✓	✓	
Ratio	✓	✓	✓	✓

Proofs

Axioms and assumptions

- stated to begin and assumed as true

Proposition

- considered as true based on prior assumptions

Theorem

- a proven proposition

Lemma

- a theorem of ‚little interest‘ used as a prior step to solve another problem

Corollary

- proposition following from the proof of a 2nd proposition which requires no further proof

Proofs

Direct proofs

- proof by deduction
- proof by exhaustion
- proof by construction
- proof by induction

Indirect proofs

- counterexample
- contradiction

Proof by induction

Initial step

- provide base case for assumption $A(1)$
- necessary to show validity often for $n = 1$

Inductive hypothesis

- assume that $A(n)$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is true
- this step requires no computation, it can be a sentence you learn by heart 😊

Inductive step

- increment n by one and prove that $A(n + 1)$ is true
- if case is true for both n and $n + 1$ we know our case is true for $n \in \mathbb{N}$

Proof by induction

Let's look at Gauss $\sum_{k=0}^n k = \frac{n \cdot (n+1)}{2}$ holds for $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

Initial step for $n = 1$

$$\sum_{k=0}^1 0 + 1 = \frac{1 \cdot (1+1)}{2} = 1$$

Inductive hypothesis

\rightarrow statement $A(n)$ holds for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$

Inductive step for $n + 1$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n+1} k = (n+1) + \sum_{k=0}^n k = (n+1) + \frac{n \cdot (n+1)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2(n+1)}{2} + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \frac{2(n+1) + n(n+1)}{2} = \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{2}$$

Proof by induction – an example

1. Initial step: $n=1$

$$\sum_{k=0}^1 k = 0 + 1 = \frac{1(1+1)}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

2. Inductive hypothesis: $\sum_{k=0}^n k = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ holds $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

3. Inductive step, for $n+1$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} k &= (n+1) + \sum_{k=0}^n k = (n+1) + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \frac{2(n+1)}{2} + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \\ &= \frac{2(n+1) + n(n+1)}{2} = \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{2} = \frac{(n+1)(n+1+1)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Chapter 2 | Algebra

Algebraic properties

Associative properties

- $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$ and $a(b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b)c$

Commutative property

- $a + b = b + a$ and $a \cdot c = c \cdot a$

Distributive property

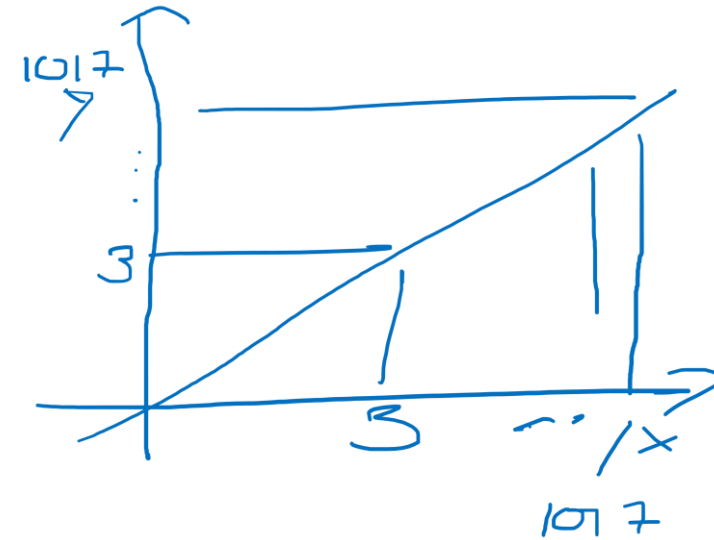
- $a(b + c) = ab + ac$

Identity property

- there exists a zero such that $x + 0 = x$ and $x \cdot 1 = x$

Inverse property

- there exists a $-x$ such that $-x \cdot x = 0$ and $x^{-1} \cdot x = 1$



FOIL and PEMDAS

FOIL

→ First, Outer, Inner, Last

$$\begin{aligned}(3y - 4)(5 + 2y) &= 3y \cdot 5 = 15y \\(3y - 4)(5 + 2y) &= 3y \cdot 2y = 6y^2 \\(3y - 4)(5 + 2y) &= (-4) \cdot 5 = (-20) \\(3y - 4)(5 + 2y) &= (-4) \cdot 2y = (-8y) \\&= 15y + 6y^2 - 20 - 8y \\&= 6y^2 + 7y - 20\end{aligned}$$

PEMDAS

→ Please Excuse My Dear Aunt Sally

- 1) Parentheses
- 2) Exponents
- 3) Multiplication
- 4) Division
- 5) Addition
- 6) Subtraction

Ratios, proportions and percentages

Ratio of x to $y = \frac{x}{y}$

→ may be negative, range typically between 0 and ∞

Proportion of x and $y = \frac{x}{x+y}$

→ ranges from 0 to 1

Percentage $\frac{x}{x+y} \cdot 100$

→ ranges from 0 to 100

Proportional change $\frac{x_{t+1} - x_t}{x_t}$

→ $\frac{80.3 - 75.4}{75.4} \cdot 100 \cong 6.5\% \leftarrow \text{percentage change} \text{ 😊}$

Fractions

Addition

Same denominator

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{b} = \frac{a+c}{b}$$

Different denominator

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} = \frac{a \cdot d}{b \cdot d} + \frac{c \cdot b}{d \cdot b} = \frac{ad+cb}{bd}$$

Multiplication

$$\frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{c}{d} = \frac{ac}{bd}$$

Subtraction

Same denominator

$$\frac{a}{b} - \frac{c}{b} = \frac{a-c}{b}$$

Different denominator

$$\frac{a}{b} - \frac{c}{d} = \frac{a \cdot d}{b \cdot d} - \frac{c \cdot b}{d \cdot b} = \frac{ad-cb}{bd}$$

Division

$$\frac{a}{b} \div \frac{c}{d} = \frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{d}{c} = \frac{ad}{bc}$$

Fractions

Expanding fractions

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{e}{e} = \frac{ae}{be}$$

Shortening fractions

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c \cdot e}{d \cdot e} = \frac{c}{d}$$

What about double fractions?

$$\frac{\frac{a}{b}}{c} = \frac{\frac{a}{b} \cdot b}{c \cdot b} = \frac{a}{cb} \quad \text{or...}$$

$$\frac{\frac{a}{b}}{\frac{c}{1}} = \frac{\frac{a \cdot 1}{c \cdot b}}{\frac{c}{1}} = \frac{a}{cb}$$

→ let's build 'bridges'

$$\frac{\frac{a}{b}}{\frac{c}{d}} = \frac{\frac{a \cdot d}{c \cdot b}}{\frac{c}{d}} = \frac{ad}{bc}$$

$$\frac{\frac{a}{b}}{\frac{c}{d}}$$

Factoring

Algorithm:

- 1) Look for **common factors** and ,factor them out‘
- 2) Check if a **binomial/identity** applies
- 3) **Repeat steps 1** and **2** until completion

$$(a + b)(a - b) = (a - b)^2$$

$$(a + b)(a + b) = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a - b)(a - b) = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2) = a^3 + b^3$$

$$(a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2) = a^3 - b^3$$

$$a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3 = (a + b)^3$$

$$a^3 - 3a^2b + 3ab^2 - b^3 = (a - b)^3$$

Factoring

$$\begin{aligned}4z^2 + 20z \\&= 4(z^2 + 5z) \\&= 4z(z + 5)\end{aligned}$$

Both of these are correct!

→ we often choose the version without exponent

$$\begin{aligned}9z^2 - 36 \\&= (9z)^2 - 6^2 \\&= (9z + 6)(9z - 6)\end{aligned}$$

It may come in handy to know certain factor identities and (quadratic) binomials

$$\rightarrow (a + b)(a - b) = (a - b)^2$$

Quadratic polynomials

Typically of form: $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

→ note that **a cannot be 0!**

Quadratic formula

$$x_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

p/q formula

$$x_{1,2} = -\frac{p}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^2 - q}$$

Fun with quadratic binomials... 😊

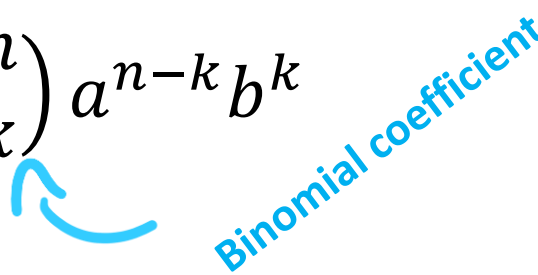
Binomial formulas

$$(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a - b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a + b)(a - b) = a^2 - b^2$$

Binomial theorem

$$(a + b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^{n-k} b^k$$


Binomial coefficient

Solving... the square

Algorithm:

- 1) Divide by quadratic's coefficient and move constant to RHS
- 2) Divide x's coefficient by 2, square it and add it to both sides of the equation
- 3) Factor LHS into $(a \pm b)^2$ and simplify RHS
- 4) Take square root of both sides
→ remember: Solution on RHS will be of sign \pm
- 5) Solve for x

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$$4x^2 + 18x + 8 = 0 \mid \div 4$$

$$x^2 + \frac{18}{4}x + 2 = 0 \mid - 2$$

$$x^2 + \frac{18}{4}x = -2 \mid + \left(\frac{\frac{18}{4}}{2}\right)^2$$

$$x^2 + \frac{18}{4}x + \left(\frac{18}{8}\right)^2 = -2 + \left(\frac{18}{8}\right)^2$$

$$(x + 2.25)^2 = 3.0625 \mid \sqrt{}$$

$$x + 2.25 = \pm 1.75 \mid - 2.25$$

$$x_1 = -0.5$$

$$x_2 = -4$$

Solving... the square

$$4x^2 + 18x + 8 = 0 \quad | :4$$

$$x^2 + \frac{18}{4}x + 2 = 0 \quad | -2$$

$$x^2 + \frac{18}{4}x = -2 \quad | +$$

refactor!

$$x^2 + \frac{18}{4}x + \left(\frac{18}{8}\right)^2 = -2 + \left(\frac{18}{8}\right)^2$$

$$\left(\frac{18}{8}\right)^2 \rightarrow \left(\frac{18}{8}\right)^2 \rightarrow (2.25)^2 \rightarrow 5.0625$$

$$\text{and } \frac{18}{4} = 4.5$$

$$4.5 : 2 = 2.25$$

$$\text{so: } (x + 2.25)^2$$

$$= x^2 + 2.25x + 2.25^2$$

$$= x^2 + 4.5x + 5.0625$$

$$= x^2 + \frac{18}{4}x + \left(\frac{18}{8}\right)^2$$

it is often easy to refactor this expression

into $(a + b)^2$, if you

consider that it extends to

$a^2 + 2ab + b^2$. If x takes on the

value b , then the coefficient

before x divided by 2, must be a !

$$(x + 2.25)^2 = 3.0625 \quad | \sqrt{}$$

$$x + 2.25 = \pm 1.75$$

$$x_1 = -0.5$$

$$x_2 = -4$$

Hands on – completing the square & quadratics

Task: Complete the square and apply the quadratic formula!

1) $x^2 - 3x + 2$

2) $x^2 + 10x + 16$

3) $x^2 + x - 12$

Hands on – completing the square & quadratics

- Solve the square for: $x^2 - 3x + 2$

$$1) \quad 1x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0 \quad | -2$$

$$x^2 - 3x = (-2) \quad | +\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \rightarrow (-1.5)^2$$

$$x^2 - 3x + 2.25 = (-2) + 2.25$$

again: you arrive
at the stand in $(x - 1.5)^2 = 0.25$ $| \sqrt{\quad}$
for $(a - b)^2$, if you
divide the coefficient $x - 1.5 = \pm 0.5$ $| +1.5$
before the x by 2

$$x_1 = 2$$

$$x_2 = 1$$

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Hands on – completing the square & quadratics

$$\begin{aligned} 2) \quad x^2 + 10x + 16 &= 0 & | -16 \\ x^2 + 10x &= -16 & | + \left(\frac{10}{2}\right)^2 = 5^2 = 25 \end{aligned}$$

$$x^2 + 10x + 25 = (-16) + 25$$

$$(x+5)^2 = 9 \quad | \sqrt{}$$

$$x+5 = \pm 3 \quad | -5$$

$$x_1 = -8$$

$$x_2 = -2 //$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3) \quad x^2 + x - 12 &= 0 & | +12 \\ x^2 + x &= 12 & | + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = 0.5^2 = 0.25 \end{aligned}$$

$$x^2 + x + 0.25 = 12 + 0.25$$

$$(x+0.5)^2 = 12.25 \quad | \sqrt{}$$

$$x+0.5 = \pm \sqrt{12.25}$$

$$x+0.5 = \pm 3.5 \quad | -0.5$$

$$x_1 = -4$$

$$x_2 = 3 //$$

Hands on – completing the square & quadratics

Solution:

$$1) x^2 - 3x + 2$$

$$\rightarrow x = 2 \text{ or } x = 1$$

$$2) x^2 + 10x + 16$$

$$\rightarrow x = (-8) \text{ or } x = (-2)$$

$$3) x^2 + x - 12$$

$$\rightarrow x = 3 \text{ or } x = (-4)$$

Hands on – Factoring and fractions

Task:

$$1) \frac{9}{x+4} = 7$$

$$2) \frac{x-5}{x-2} = 1 - \frac{x+1}{x-2}$$

$$3) \text{ Factor: } 2x + 4$$

$$4) \text{ Factor: } 5x + 10xy$$

Hands on – Factoring and fractions

Solution:

$$1) \frac{9}{x+4} = 7$$

$$\frac{9}{x+4} = 7 \quad | \cdot (x+4)$$

$$9 = 7 \cdot (x+4)$$

$$9 = 7x + 28 \quad | -28$$

$$-19 = 7x$$

$$x = -\frac{19}{7}$$

$$2) \frac{x-5}{x-2} = 1 - \frac{x+1}{x-2}$$

$$\frac{x-5}{x-2} = 1 - \frac{x+1}{x-2} \quad | \cdot (x-2)$$

$$x-5 = x-2 - (x+1)$$

$$x-5 = x-2-x-1$$

$$x-5 = -3 \quad | +5$$

$$x = 2 \rightarrow \emptyset$$

Hands on – Factoring and fractions

Solution:

3) Factor: $2x + 4$

$$\rightarrow 2(x + 2)$$

$$\rightarrow 4(0.5x + 1)$$

...

4) Factor: $5x + 10xy$

$$\rightarrow 5(x + 2xy)$$

$$\rightarrow 5x(1 + 2y)$$

$$\rightarrow x(5 + 10y)$$

...

Solving...

Equations

- 1) Focus on variable of interest
- 2) Combine like terms
- 3) Check your answer
- 4) Make use of identities
- 5) Note: Equivalent transformation!!
→ execute same operation on each side

$$\begin{aligned}2x - 6 &= 4 \mid + 6 \\2x &= 10 \mid \div 2 \\x &= 5\end{aligned}$$

Inequalities

← do the same thing...

But whenever you multiply or divide by a **negative number** – flip the inequality symbol!

$$\begin{aligned}2x - 6 &> 4 \mid + 6 \\2x &> 10 \mid \div 2 \\x &> 5\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}-2x - 6 &> 4 \mid + 6 \\-2x &> 10 \mid \div (-2) \\x &< -5\end{aligned}$$

Modulo – Division with Remainder

Idea: Sometimes, we are **not interested** in a **fractions/decimal** numbers as a **result of division**

Solution: Inspect the **remainder** after division!

We use modulo to find this remainder after division:

- $4 \bmod 3 = 4 \% 3 = 1 \rightarrow$ if we divide 4 by 3, 3 fits into 4 one time, with a **single 1** being left over... this is the **remainder**!

What does congruence mean?

- two numbers a and b are congruent mod n , if they have the same remainder when divided by n !
- $a \equiv b \pmod{n} \rightarrow 5 \equiv 9 \pmod{4}$

Real World Applications - Modulo

- **Hash functions** in algorithms, e.g. sorting
 - set array of fixed size 10 and sort elements from 'bucket' into it
 - for each element key, calculate index = $\text{key} \% 10$
 - \rightarrow if slot empty, place element key there or handle collisions
- **Shuffling algorithms** to e.g. systematically shift numbers
- **Cryptography**
- **Time series data** and **Cyclical data**
 - use modulo operations to **identify** the **date of the week**
 - 0 = Sunday, 1 = Monday, ..., 6 = Saturday:
 - set **reference date** like October 27th 2024 \leftarrow Sunday
 - for **new date** i: $\text{day-difference} \% 7 = |27 - i| \% 7 = \text{day of the week}$
 - considering today: $|27 - 31| \% 7 = 4 \bmod 7 = 4 \rightarrow \text{Thursday!}$

Boolean Arithmetic

Input: Boolean Values

- **True** (1) and **False** (0)

Basic Boolean Operators:

- **AND \wedge** : Returns True only if both inputs are True!
 $\rightarrow 1 \text{ AND } 1 = 1$, any other input combination yields 0
- **OR \vee** : Returns True if at least one input is True $\rightarrow 1 \text{ OR } 1 = 1$, $1 \text{ OR } 0 = 1$, $0 \text{ OR } 1 = 1$, and only $0 \text{ OR } 0 = 0$
- **NOT \neg** : Inverts the value:
 $\text{NOT } 1 = 0$ and $\text{NOT } 0 = 1$.

• Combination of Operators:

- **combine operators** to form **complex expressions**, which are evaluated in a specific order

• Implication **$A \rightarrow B$** :

- meaning "**If A, then B**"
- our implication is false only if A is true and B is false; otherwise, it's true
- we do not care about anything else happening next to B!
 \rightarrow but based on the implication, if A happens, B must follow suit!

Boolean Arithmetic

Task: You are a social scientist and want to analyse voting behaviour in a group of lawmakers on a recent policy vote on climate change. Lawmakers' support might depend on two main conditions:

- **A:** The lawmaker aligns with the ruling party's position on climate change
- **B:** The lawmaker's constituents (main group of voters) support the climate change policy

How do these influence, whether the lawmaker votes 'Yes' on the policy?

Based on your observations, the following **rule of voting V** holds: A lawmaker votes in favour of the climate change policy if they align with the ruling party or if their constituents support the policy, unless neither condition is met.

Create a truth table and fill in all possible outcomes!

Boolean Arithmetic

Hints:

1. Formulate an implication
2. Setup your truth table
3. Fill it in!

A: Support Party	B: Support Voters	V: Votes Yes
1	1	
1	0	
0	1	
0	0	

Boolean Arithmetic

Hints:

1. Formulate an implication: Our implication is $A \vee B \rightarrow V$
2. Setup your truth table
3. Fill it in!

A: Support Party	B: Support Voters	V: Votes Yes
1	1	1
1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	0

Time for your questions

- Any questions during the week?
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