

ECEN 227 - Introduction to Finite Automata and Discrete Mathematics

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- 3 Union and Intersection
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Introduction

Set

A set is a collection of objects.

Elements

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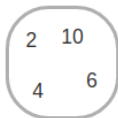
Ex.

$$A = \{1, 5, 3, 9\}$$

- We call the previous statement as **roster notation**.

Introduction

The set N



$$N = \{ 2, 4, 6, 10 \}$$

This set has four
real-number elements

The set F



$$F = \{ \text{Watermelon, Strawberry, Banana} \}$$

This set has three fruit elements

The set M



$$M = \{ 2, \text{Strawberry, Monkey} \}$$

Set elements may be
of different varieties

Empty and Null Sets

Empty set

The set with no elements is called the empty set and is denoted by the symbol ϕ .

Null set

The empty set is sometimes referred to as the null set and can also be denoted by $\{\}$.

Ex.

- $A = \{\}$
- $B = \phi$

Finite and Infinite Sets

Finite set

A finite set has a finite number of elements.

Infinite set

An infinite set has an infinite number of elements.

Ex.

- $B = \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 99\}$ finite set
- $C = \{3, 6, 9, 12, \dots\}$ infinite set

Set Cardinality

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The cardinality of a finite set A , denoted by $|A|$, is the number of elements in A .

Ex.

- $A = \{1, 3, 5, 9\}$ $|A| = 4$
- $B = \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 99\}$ $|B| = 50$

Belonging

- The symbol \in is used to indicate that an element is in a set.
- The symbol \notin indicates that an element is not in a set.

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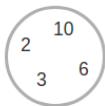
$$A = \{1, 4, 7\}$$

- $1 \in A$
- $2 \notin A$

Note that, capital letters will be used as variables denoting sets, and lower case letters will be used for elements in the set.

Example

The set A



$$A = \{ 2, 3, 6, 10 \}$$

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Order does not matter in
listing elements

$$|A| = 4$$

$|A|$ is the cardinality of A,
which is the number of elements in A

The cardinality is finite \Rightarrow A is finite set

$$2 \in A$$

\in indicated that an element is in a set

$$5 \notin A$$

\notin indicates that an element is *not* in a set

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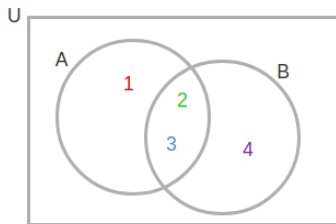
Mathematical Sets

Set	Symbol	Examples of elements
N is the set of <i>natural numbers</i> , which includes all integers greater than or equal to 0.	N	0, 1, 2, ...
Z is the set of all integers.	Z	..., -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, ...
Q is the set of <i>rational numbers</i> , which includes all real numbers that can be expressed as a/b , where a and b are integers and $b \neq 0$.	Q	0, $1/2$, 5.23, $-5/3$
R is the set of real numbers.	R	0, $1/2$, 5.23, $-5/3$, π , $\sqrt{2}$

Venn Diagram

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A **Venn diagram** is a drawing illustration of the relationships between and among sets.



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

$$1 \in A \quad 4 \notin A$$

$$2 \in A$$

$$3 \in A$$

$$B = \{2, 3, 4\}$$

Note That

The **universal set**, usually denoted by the variable U , is a set that contains all elements in **Venn Diagram**.

Set Builder Notation

- A set is defined by specifying that the set includes all elements in a **larger set** that also satisfy **certain conditions**.

Ex.

$$C = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : 0 < x < 100 \text{ and } x \text{ is prime}\}$$

- The colon symbol ":" is read "such that".
- The description for C above would read:
"C includes all x in integers such that $0 < x < 100$ and x is prime".

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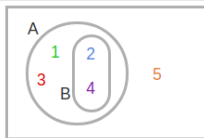
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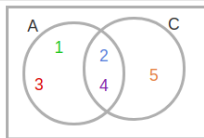
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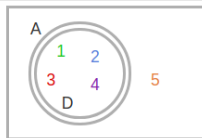


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$$C = \{2, 4, 5\}$$

$$5 \in C \quad 5 \notin A$$

$$C \not\subseteq A$$



$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$D = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$A \subseteq D, D \subseteq A \Rightarrow A = D$$

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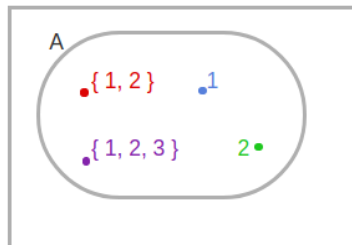
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$$|A| = 4$$

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$$\{1, 2, 3\} \in A$$

The cardinality of set $A = \{\{1, 2\}, 1, 2, \{1, 2, 3\}\}$ is 4. The elements are $\{1, 2\}$, 1 , 2 , and $\{1, 2, 3\}$.

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Can you guess the cardinality of the power set?

Cardinality of Power Set

Theorem

Let A be a finite set of cardinality n . Then the cardinality of the power set of A is 2^n , or $|P(A)| = 2^n$.

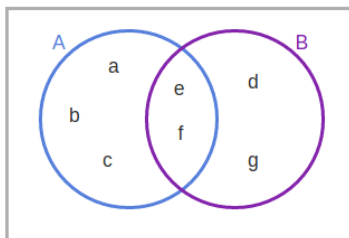
Ex. What is the cardinality of $P(\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\})$?

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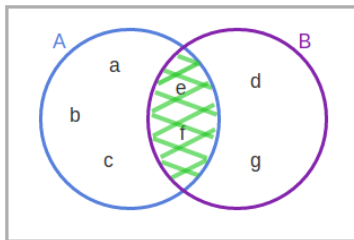


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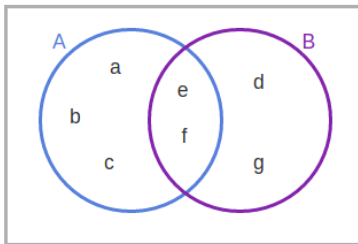
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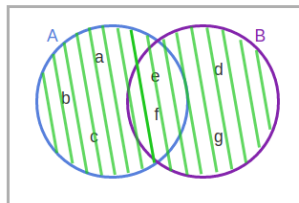


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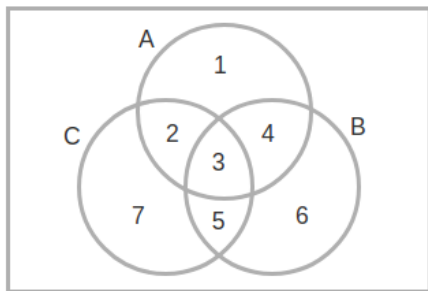


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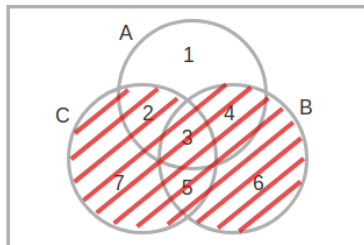


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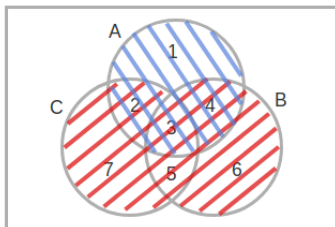
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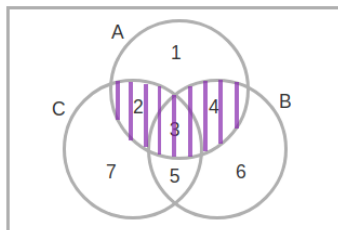
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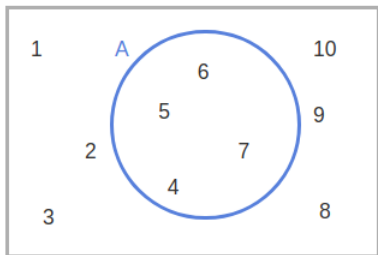
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Ex.



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

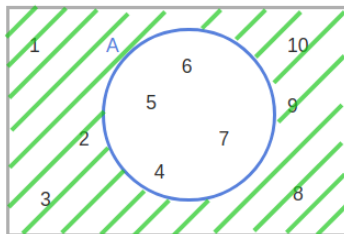
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The complement of A is found by removing the elements of A from U . Therefore, the complement of A is $\{1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10\}$.

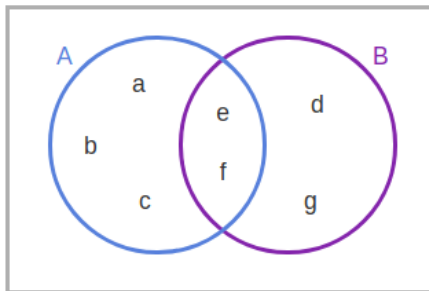
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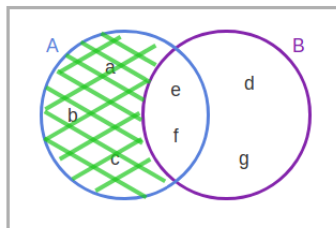
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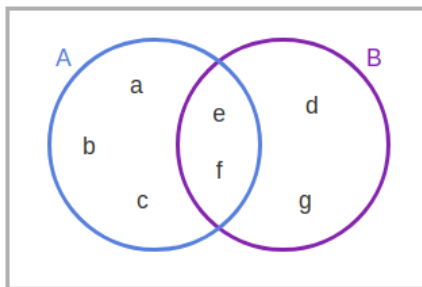
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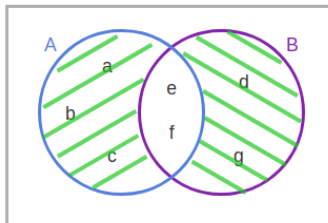
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Notes on Set Difference

- The difference operation is not commutative. $A - B \neq B - A$.
- The symmetric difference is commutative. $A \oplus B = B \oplus A$.
- An alternative definition of the set difference operation is:

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

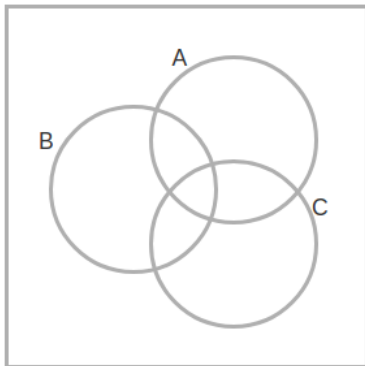
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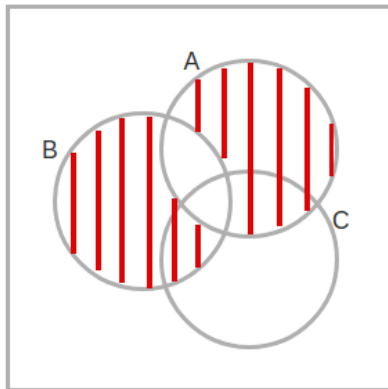
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Intersection	$A \cap B$	$\{x : x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$
Union	$A \cup B$	$\{x : x \in A \text{ or } x \in B \text{ or both}\}$
Difference	$A - B$	$\{x : x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$
Symmetric difference	$A \oplus B$	$\{x : x \in A - B \text{ or } x \in B - A\}$
Complement	\bar{A}	$\{x : x \notin A\}$

Exercise 1



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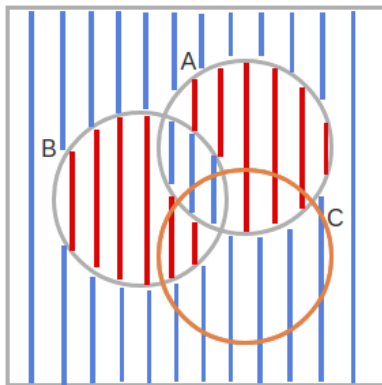
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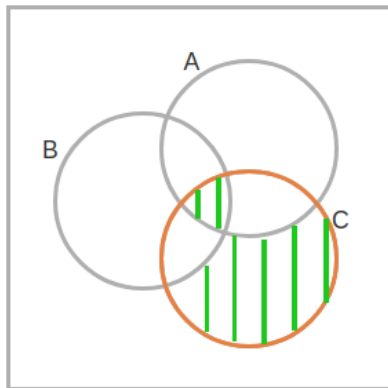


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Set Identities

- The set operations intersection, union and complement are defined in terms of **logical operations**.
- The sets U and ϕ correspond to the constants true (T) and false (F)

Can we prove $\overline{A \cup B} \equiv \overline{A} \cap \overline{B}$ using Venn Diagram?

Set Identities

Name	Identities	
Idempotent laws	$A \cup A = A$	$A \cap A = A$
Associative laws	$(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$	$(A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C)$
Commutative laws	$A \cup B = B \cup A$	$A \cap B = B \cap A$
Distributive laws	$A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$	$A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$
Identity laws	$A \cup \emptyset = A$	$A \cap U = A$
Domination laws	$A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$	$A \cup U = U$
Double Complement law	$\overline{\overline{A}} = A$	
Complement laws	$A \cap \overline{A} = \emptyset$ $\overline{\overline{U}} = U$	$A \cup \overline{A} = U$ $\overline{\emptyset} = U$
De Morgan's laws	$\overline{A \cup B} = \overline{A} \cap \overline{B}$	$\overline{A \cap B} = \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$
Absorption laws	$A \cup (A \cap B) = A$	$A \cap (A \cup B) = A$

Example

- Prove that: $A \cup (B - A) \equiv A \cup B$

$A \cup (B - A)$	
$A \cup (B \cap \bar{A})$	Set subtraction law
$(A \cup B) \cap (A \cup \bar{A})$	Distributive law
$(A \cup B) \cap U$	Complement law
$A \cup B$	Identity law

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- (w, x, y, z) is an ordered 4-tuple.
- (u, w, x, y, z) is an ordered 5-tuple.

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$$A \times B = \{ (a, b) : a \in A \text{ and } b \in B \}$$

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- If A and B are finite sets, then $|A \times B| = |A| \cdot |B|$

Finite Sets Cartesian Product

$A = \{1, 2\}$

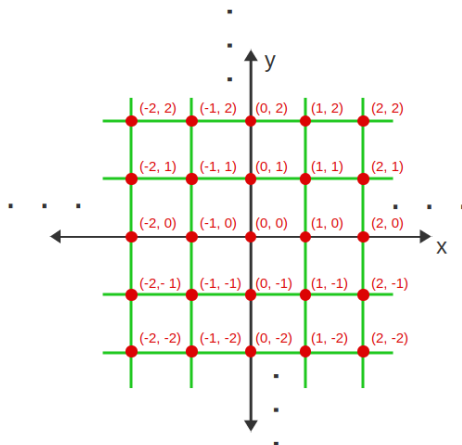
		$B = \{a, b, c\}$		
		a	b	c
1		(1, a)	(1, b)	(1, c)
		(2, a)	(2, b)	(2, c)

$$A \times B = \{(1, a), (1, b), (1, c), (2, a), (2, b), (2, c)\}$$

InFinite Sets Cartesian Product

\mathbb{Z} = the set of all integers

$\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} = \{ (x, y) : x \text{ and } y \text{ are integers} \}$



The set $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ forms an infinite grid of points when plotted on the x-y plane.

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- $\{0,1\}^3$ is 3-bit binary string "000" to "111".
- $\{0,1\}^n$ is n-bit binary string.

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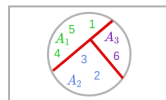
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Disjoint Sets

Two sets, A and B , are said to be disjoint if their intersection is empty ($A \cap B = \phi$).

- A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n is a **partition** for a non-empty set A if **all of the following conditions hold**:

- $A = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n$.
- For all i , $A_i \subseteq A$.
- For all i , $A_i \neq \phi$
- A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n are pairwise disjoint.



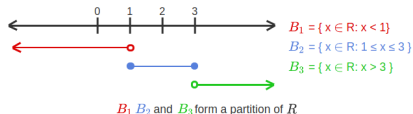
$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

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- $C = \{0x : x \in \{0,1\}^2\}$
- $D = \{01x : x \in \{0,1\}\}$
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Sol:

- C, E
- E, D, F

Thank
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