

SCSI1013: Discrete

Structures

CHAPTER 1

SET THEORY

[Part 1: Set & Subset]



 The concept of set is basic to all of mathematics and mathematical applications.

• A is a set of all positive integers less than 10,

 $A = \{x, y, z\}$

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

 A set is a well-defined collection of distinct objects. B is a set of first 5 positive odd integers,

$$B=\{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\}$$

 These objects are called members or elements of the set. C is a set of vowels,
 C={a, e, i, o, u}



- A set is determined by its elements and not by any particular order in which the element might be listed.
- Example, A={1, 2, 3, 4},
 A might just as well be specified as
 {2, 3, 4, 1} or {4, 1, 3, 2}

- The elements making up a set are assumed to be distinct, we may have duplicates in our list, only one occurrence of each element is in the set.
- Example,

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

 ${1, 3, 3, 5, 1} \longrightarrow {1, 3, 5}$

$$A = \{x,x,y,y,z\}$$
same as
$$A = \{x,y,z\}$$



Use uppercase letters
 A, B, C ... to denote
 sets, lowercase denote
 the elements of set.

 The symbol ∈ stands for 'belongs to'

 The symbol ∉ stands for 'does not belong to'

Example

- X={ a, b, c, d, e },
 b∈X and m∉X
- A={{1}, {2}, 3, 4},
 {2}∈A and 1∉A

Set Notation

This tells us that A consists of all elements x that satisfy "Propery of x".



 If a set is a large finite set or an infinite set, we can describe it by listing a property necessary for memberships

Let S be a set, the notation,
A= {x | x ∈ S, P(x)} or A= {x
∈S | P(x)} means that A is the set of all elements x of S such that x satisfies the property P.

Example

A={1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}
 A={x | x ∈ Z, 0 < x < 7}
 if Z denotes the set of integers.

•
$$B=\{1, 2, 3, 4, ...\}$$

 $B=\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}, x > 0\},$



Set notation

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N = the set of all natural numbers = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \ldots\}.
Z = the set of all integers = \{0, -1, 1, -2, 2, ...\}.
\mathbf{Z}^+ = the set of all positive integers.
\mathbf{Z}^- = the set of all negative integers.
     = the set of all real numbers.
\mathbf{R}^+ = the set of all positive real numbers.
\mathbf{R}^- = the set of all negative real numbers.
\mathbf{R}^2 = the set of all points in the plane.
      = the set of all rational numbers.
\mathbf{Q}^+ = the set of all positive rational numbers.
     = the set of all negative rational numbers.
      = the empty set = the set containing no elements.
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Set notation

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"∀" stands for "for every"
"U" stands for "union"
"

—" stands for "is a subset of"
"

" stands for "is a not a (proper) subset of"
"∈" stands for "is an element of"
"x" stands for "cartesian cross product"
"3" stands for "there exists"
"\" stands for "intersection"
"⊂" stands for "is a (proper) subset of"
"Ø" stands for the "empty set"
"∉" stands for "is not an element of"
"=" stands for "is equal to"
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Subset

• If every element of A is an element of B, we say that A is a subset of B and write $A \subset B$.

$$A=B$$
, if $A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq A$

 The empty set (∅) is a subset of every set.

Example

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

Subset of A,

Note:

A is a subset of A



Proper subset

- If A is a subset of B and A does not equal B, we say that A is a proper subset of B $(A \subseteq B)$ and $A \neq B$ $(B \not\subseteq A)$
- A proper subset of a set A is a <u>subset</u> of A that is not equal to A ({1,2,3}
 ∠ A)

- A={1, 2, 3}
 Proper subset of A,
 ∅, {1}, {2}, {3}, {1, 2}, {1, 3}, {2, 3}
- $B=\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}, A=\{1, 2, 3\}.$ Thus, Proper subset of A.
- A={a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h}, B={b,d,e}
 C={a,b,c,d,e}, D={r,s,d,e}
 Thus, B and C are proper subset of A



Empty set

The empty set Ø or {} but not {∅} is the set without elements.

- Empty set has no elements
- Empty set is a subset of any set
- There is exactly one empty set
- Properties of empty set:

$$A \cup \emptyset = A, A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$$

 $A \cap A' = \emptyset, A \cup A' = U$

$$U' = \varnothing$$
, $\varnothing' = U$

$$\emptyset$$
 = {x | x is a real number and $x^2 = -3$ }

$$\emptyset = \{x \mid x \text{ is positive integer and } x^3 < 0\}$$



Equal set

The sets A and B are **equal** (A=B) if and only if each element of A is an element of B and vice versa.

Formally: A=B means $\forall x [x \in A \leftrightarrow x \in B]$.

$$A = \{a, b, c\},\$$

 $B = \{b, c, a\}, A = B$

$$C=\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$
,
 $D=\{x \mid x \text{ is a positive integer and } 2x < 10\}$, $C=D$



Equivalent set

Two sets, A and B, are equivalent if there exists a one-to-one correspondence between them.

When we say sets "have the same size", we mean that they are equivalent.

Example

A: {A, B, C, D, E}

B: {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}, A and B is equivalent.

 Note: An equivalent set is simply a set with an equal number of elements. The sets do not have to have the same exact elements, just the same number of elements.



Finite sets

A set A is finite

if it is empty
or
if there is a natural number *n*such that set A is equivalent to
{1, 2, 3, ... *n*}.

Example

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

 $B = \{x \mid x \text{ is an integer, } 1 < x < 4\}$

Note: There exists a nonnegative integer n such that A has n elements (A is called a finite set with n elements)



Infinite sets

A set A is infinite

if there is **NOT** a natural number *n* such that set *A* is equivalent to {1, 2, 3, . . . *n*}.

Infinite sets are uncountable.

Are all infinite sets equivalent?

A set is infinite if it is equivalent to a proper subset of itself!

- $C = \{5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ (finite set)
- $B = \{x \mid x \text{ is an integer, } 10 < x < 20\}$ (finite set)
- $D = \{x \mid x \text{ is an integer, } x > 0\}$ (infinite set)



Universal set

Typically we consider a set A a part of a **universal set** \mathcal{U} , which consists of all possible elements.

- The sets $A=\{1,2,3\}$, $B=\{2,4,6,8\}$ and $C=\{5,7\}$
- Universal set, *U*={1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8}



Cardinality of Set

- Let S be a finite set with n distinct elements, where n≥0.
- Then we write |S|=n and say that the cardinality (or the number of elements) of S is n.

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

 $B = \{a, b, c, d, e, f, g\}, |B| = 7$



Power Set

- The set of all subsets of a set A, denoted P(A), is called the power set of A., $P(A) = \{X \mid X \subseteq A\}$
- If |A| = n, then $|P(A)| = 2^n$

Example

- $A=\{1,2,3\}$
- The power set of A,

$$P(A) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1,2\}, \{1,3\}, \{2,3\}, \{1,2,3\}\}$$

Notice that |A| = 3, and $|P(A)| = 2^3 = 8$



Summary

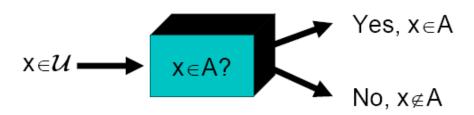
How to Think of Sets

The elements of a set do not have an ordering, hence {a,b,c} = {b,c,a}

The elements of a set do not have multitudes, hence $\{a,a,a\} = \{a,a\} = \{a\}$

All that matters is: "Is x an element of A or not?"

The size of A is thus the number of different elements





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[Part 2: Operation on Set]



Union

• The union of two sets A and B, denoted by $A \cup B$, is defined to be the set

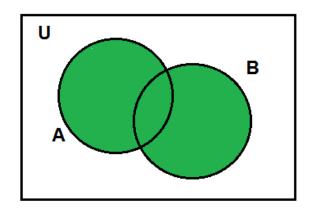
$$A \cup B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$$

 The union consists of all elements belonging to either A or B (or both)



Union

Venn diagram of A ∪ B



If A and B are finite sets, the cardinality of $A \cup B$,

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

$$A=\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}, B=\{2, 4, 6\} \text{ and } C=\{8, 9\}$$

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

$$A \cup C = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9\}$$

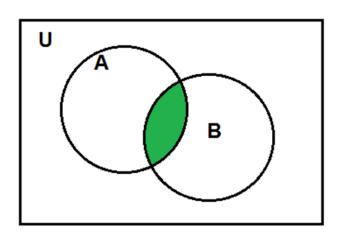
$$B \cup C = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 9\}$$

$$A \cup B \cup C = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9\}$$



Intersection

Venn diagram of A ∩ B



• The intersection of two sets A and B, denoted by $A \cap B$, is defined to be the set

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

 The intersection consists of all elements belonging to both A and B.

$$A=\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}, B=\{2, 4, 6, 8, 10\} \text{ and } C=\{1, 2, 8, 10\}$$

$$A \cap B = \{2, 4, 6\}$$

$$A \cap C = \{1, 2\}$$

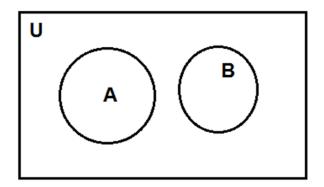
$$C \cap B = \{2, 8, 10\}$$

$$A \cap B \cap C = \{2\}$$



Disjoint

• Venn diagram, $A \cap B = \emptyset$



Two sets A and B are said to be disjoint if,

$$A \cap B = \emptyset$$

$$A = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11\}$$

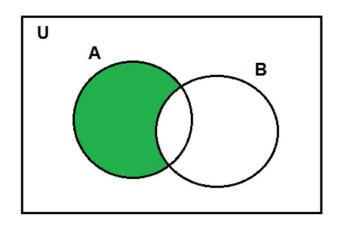
$$B = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}$$

$$A \cap B = \emptyset$$



Difference

Venn diagram of A—B



Example

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

 $B = \{ 2, 4, 6, 8 \}$
 $A - B = \{ 1, 3, 5, 7 \}$

The set

$$A-B=\{x\mid x\in A$$
 and $x\not\in B\}$ is called the difference.

The difference A—B consists of all elements in A that are not in B.

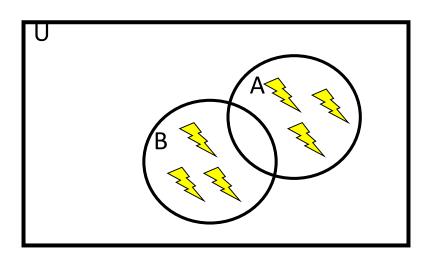


Symmetric Difference

• The symmetric difference,

$$A \oplus B = \{ x : (x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B) \}$$

or $\{ x \in B \text{ and } x \notin A \} \}$
= $\{ A - B \} \cup \{ B - A \}$

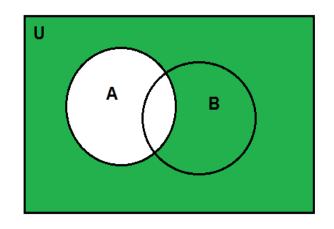




Complement

The complement of a set A
with respect to a universal
set U, denoted by A' is
defined to be

$$A' = \{x \in U \mid x \notin A\}$$
$$A' = U - A$$



Example

Let *U* be a universal set,

$$U$$
= { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 }

$$A = \{ 2, 4, 6 \}$$

$$A' = U - A = \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$$



Properties of Sets

Commutative laws

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

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

Associative laws

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

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

Distributive laws

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

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

Absorption laws

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

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

Idempotent laws

$$A \cap A = A$$

$$A \cup A = A$$



Properties of Sets

Complement laws

$$(A')' = A$$
 $A \cap A' = \emptyset$ $A \cup A' = U$ $\emptyset' = U$ $U' = \emptyset$

De Morgan's laws

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

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

Properties of universal set

$$A \cup U = U$$

$$A \cap U = A$$

Properties of empty set

$$A \cup \emptyset = A$$

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



Example

- Let A, B and C denote the subsets of a set S and let
 C' denote a complement of C in S.
- If $A \cap C = B \cap C$ and $A \cap C' = B \cap C'$, then prove that A = B

Solution

$$A = A \cap S$$

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

$$= (A \cap C) \cup (A \cap C')$$
 Distributive laws
$$= (B \cap C) \cup (B \cap C')$$
 by the given conditions
$$= B \cap (C \cup C')$$
 Distributive laws
$$= B \cap S$$

$$= B$$



Example

Simplify the set

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

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

[DeMorgan]

[Double Complement]

[Associativity of ∩]

[Commutativity of ∩]

[Associativity of ∩]

[Absorption]



Generalized Union/Intersection

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{n} A_i = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \mathsf{K} \cup A_n \qquad \bigcap_{i=1}^{n} A_i = A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \mathsf{K} \cap A_n$$

$$A_i = \{1, 2, 3, ..., i\} i = 1, 2, 3, ...$$

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = ?$$

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = Z^+$$

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = ?$$

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = ? \qquad \qquad \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = \{1\}$$



Cartesian Product

- Let A and B be sets, an ordered pair of elements $a \in A$ dan $b \in B$ written (a, b) is a listing of the elements aand b in a specific order.
- The ordered pair (a, b) specifies that a is the first element and b is the second element. An ordered pair (a, b) is considered distinct from ordered pair (b, a), unless a=b., example $(1, 2) \neq (2, 1)$
- The Cartesian product of two sets A and B, written $A \times B$ is the set, $A \times B = \{(a,b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$. For any set A, $A \times \emptyset = \emptyset \times A = \emptyset$. If $A \neq B$, then $A \times B \neq B \times A$. if |A| = m and |B| = n, then $|A \times B| = mn$.

Example

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

$$A = \{1, 3\}, B = \{2, 4, 6\}.$$
 $A \times B = \{(1, 2), (1, 4), (1, 6), (3, 2), (3, 4), (3, 6)\}$
 $B \times A = \{(2, 1), (2, 3), (4, 1), (4, 3), (6, 1), (6, 3)\}$
 $A \neq B, A \times B \neq B \times A$
 $|A| = 2, |B| = 3,$
 $|A \times B| = 2.3 = 6.$



Cartesian Product

 The Cartesian product of sets A₁, A₂,, A_n is defined to be the set of all n-tuples

$$(a_1, a_2,...a_n)$$
 where $a_i \in A_i$ for $i=1,...,n$;

It is denoted A₁ × A₂ ×
 × A_n
 |A₁ × A₂ × × A_n| = |A₁
 |.|A₂ | |A_n|

$$A = \{a, b\}, B = \{1, 2\}, C = \{x, y\}$$
 $A \times B \times C = \{(a, 1, x), (a, 1, y), (a, 2, x), (a, 2, y), (b, 1, x), (b, 1, y), (b, 2, x), (b, 2, y)\}$
 $|A \times B \times C| = 2.2.2 = 8$



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Part 3:

Fundamental and Elements of Logic



Why Are We Studying Logic?

Some of the reasons:

- Logic is the foundation for computer operation
- Logical conditions are common in programs and programs can be proven correct.
- All manner of structures in computing have properties that need to be proven (and proofs that need to be understood), example Trees, Graphs, Recursive Algorithms, . . .
- Computational linguistics must represent and reason about human language, and language represents thought (and thus also logic).



PROPOSITION

A **statement** or a **proposition**, is a declarative sentence that is **either TRUE or FALSE**, **but not both**.

- 4 is less than 3.
- 7 is an even integer.
- Washington, DC, is the capital of United State.



- i) Why do we study mathematics?
- ii) Study logic.
- iii) What is your name?
- iv) Quiet, please.

Not propositions. Why?

- (i) & (iii): is question, not a statement.
- (ii) & (iv): is a command.

- i) The temperature on the surface of the planet Venus is 800 F.
- ii) The sun will come out tomorrow.

Propositions? Why?

- Is a statement since it is either true or false, but not both.
- However, we do not know at this time to determine whether it is true or false.



CONJUNCTIONS

Conjunctions are:

- Compound propositions formed in English with the word "and",
- Formed in logic with the caret symbol (" ∧ "), and
- True only when both participating propositions are true.





CONJUNCTIONS (cont.)

TRUTH TABLE: This tables aid in the evaluation of **compound propositions**.

p	<mark>q</mark>	p\q
Т	Т	T
Т	F	F
F	Т	F
F	F	F

True (T)
False (F)



p: 2 is an even integer

q: 3 is an odd number

propositions

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p \land q symbols
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2 is an even integer and 3 is an odd number $\frac{1}{2}$ statements



p: today is Monday

q: it is hot

 $p \land q$: today is Monday and it is hot



Proposition

p: 2 divides 4

q: 2 divides 6

Symbol: Statement

 $p \land q$: 2 divides 4 and 2 divides 6.

or,

 $p \land q$: 2 divides both 4 and 6.

Proposition

p: 5 is an integer

q: 5 is not an odd integer

Symbol: Statement

 $p \land q$: 5 is an integer and 5 is not an odd integer.

or,

 $p \wedge q$: 5 is an integer but 5 is not an odd integer.



DISJUNCTION

- Compound propositions formed in English with the word "or",
- Formed in logic with the caret symbol (" V"), and,
- True when one or both participating propositions are true.





DISJUNCTION (cont.)

- Let p and q be propositions.
- The disjunction of p and q, written p V q is
 the statement formed by putting statements
 p and q together using the word "or".
- The symbol V is called "or"



DISJUNCTION (cont.)

The truth table for $p \vee q$:

<mark>/</mark> P	<mark>9</mark>	$p \vee q$
Т	Т	Т
Т	F	Т
F	Т	T
F	F	F



i) p: 2 is an integer ; q: 3 is greater than 5

$$p \lor q$$

2 is an integer or 3 is greater than 5

ii) p: 1+1=3 ; q: A decade is 10 years

$$p \lor q$$

1+1=3 or a decade is 10 years



iii) p:3 is an even integer; q:3 is an odd integer

 $p \lor q$

3 is an even integer or 3 is an odd integer

or

3 is an even integer or an odd integer



NEGATION

Negating a proposition simply flips its value. Symbols representing negation include: $\neg x$, \bar{x} , $\sim x$, x' (NOT)

Let p be a proposition. The negation of p, written $\neg p$ is the statement obtained by negating statement p.



NEGATION(cont.)

The truth table of ¬p:

P	¬p
Т	F
F	Т

p: 2 is positive

 $\neg p$

2 is not positive



Exercise

Suppose x is a particular real number. Let p, q and r symbolize "0 < x", "x < 3" and "x = 3", respectively. Write the following inequalities symbolically:

- a) $x \le 3$
- b) 0 < x < 3
- c) $0 < x \le 3$



CONDITIONAL PROPOSITIONS

Let *p* and *q* be propositions.

"if
$$p$$
, then q "

is a statement called a **conditional proposition**, written as

$$p \rightarrow q$$



CONDITIONAL PROPOSITIONS (cont.)

The truth table of $p \rightarrow q$ (Cause and effect relationship)

FALSE if p = True and q =false

p	q	p → q
O T	Т	Т
\circ _o T	F	F
F	Т	Т
F	F	T

TRUE if both true OR p=false for any value of q



p: today is Sunday; **q**: I will go for a walk

 $p \rightarrow q$: If today is Sunday, then I will go for a walk.

p: I get a bonus ; **q**: I will buy a new car

ho
ightarrow q: If I get a bonus, then I will buy a new car



p: x/2 is an integer.

q: x is an even integer.

 $\mathbf{p} \rightarrow \mathbf{q}$: if x/2 is an integer, then x is an even integer.



BICONDITIONAL

Let **p** and **q** be propositions.

"p if and only if q"

is a statement called a biconditional proposition, written as

$$p \leftrightarrow q$$



BICONDITIONAL (cont.)

The **truth table** of $p \leftrightarrow q$:

p	q	$m{p} \leftrightarrow m{q}$
Т	Т	T
Т	F	F
F	Т	F
F	F	Ţ



p : my program will compile

q: it has no syntax error.

p: x is divisible by 3

q: x is divisible by 9

$$p \leftrightarrow q$$
:

My program will compile if and only if it has no syntax error.

$$p \leftrightarrow q$$
:

x is divisible by 3 if and only if x is divisible by 9.



Neither ..nor..

Neither p nor q [$\sim p$ and $\sim q$] is a TRUE statement if neither p nor q is true.

p	q	~ <i>p</i> ∧ ~ <i>q</i>
Т	Т	F
Т	F	F
F	Т	F
F	F	Т



p: It is hot.

q: It is sunny.

" $p \land q$: It is neither hot nor sunny, or It is not hot and it is not sunny.



LOGICAL EQUIVALENCE

- The compound propositions Q and R are made up of the propositions $p_1, ..., p_n$.
- Q and R are logically equivalent and write,

$$Q \equiv R$$

provided that given any truth values of p_1 , ..., p_n , either Q and R are both true or Q and R are both false.



$$Q = p \rightarrow q$$
 $R = \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
Show that, $Q \equiv R$

The truth table shows that, $Q \equiv R$

p	q	<i>p</i> → <i>q</i>	$\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
Т	Т	Т	Т
Т	F	F	F
F	Т	Т	Т
F	F	T	T



Show that, $\neg (p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \land \neg q$

The truth table shows that, $\neg (p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \land \neg q$

p	q	¬(p → q)	$p \wedge \neg q$
Т	Т	F	F
Т	F	Т	Т
F	Т	F	F
F	F	F	F

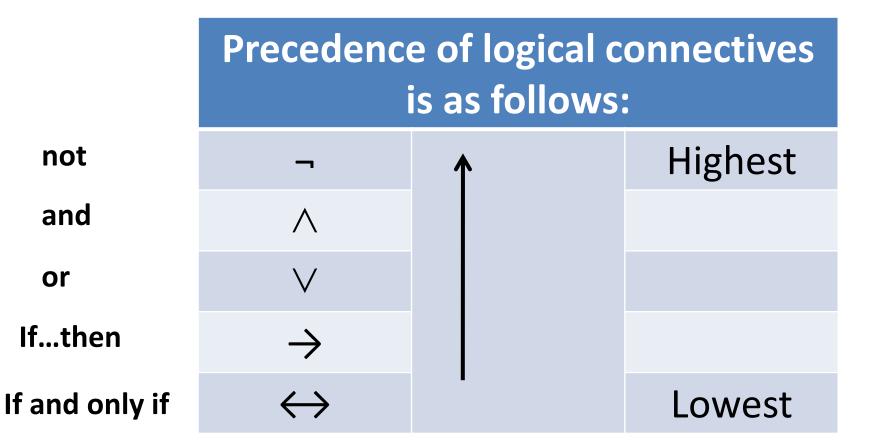


not

and

or

PRECEDENCE OF LOGICAL CONNECTIVES





Construct the truth table for,

$$\mathbf{A} = \neg (p \lor q) \to (q \land p)$$

Solution:

p	q	(p\q)	¬(p∨q)	(q∧p)	A
Т	Т	Т	F	Т	Т
Т	F	Т	F	F	Т
F	Т	Т	F	F	Т
F	F	F	Т	F	F



LOGIC & SET THEORY

Logic and set theory go very well togather. The previous definitions can be made very succinct:

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x \notin A if and only if \neg(x \in A)

A \subseteq B if and only if (x \in A \rightarrow x \in B) is True

x \in (A \cap B) if and only if (x \in A \land x \in B)

x \in (A \cup B) if and only if (x \in A \land x \notin B)

x \in A - B if and only if (x \in A \land x \notin B)

x \in A \land B if and only if (x \in A \land x \notin B) \lor (x \in B \land x \notin A)

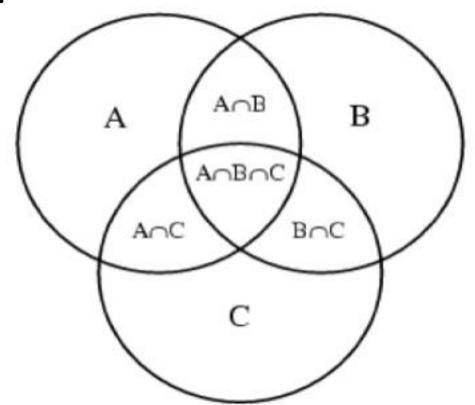
x \in A' if and only if \neg(x \in A)

X \in P(A) if and only if X \subseteq A
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Venn Diagrams

Venn Diagrams are used to depict the various unions, subsets, complements, intersections etc. of sets.





Logic and Sets are closely related

Tautology

$$p \lor q \leftrightarrow q \lor p$$

$$p \land q \leftrightarrow q \land p$$

$$p \lor (q \lor r) \leftrightarrow (p \lor q) \lor r$$

$$p \land (q \land r) \leftrightarrow (p \land q) \land r$$

$$p \lor (q \land r) \leftrightarrow (p \lor q) \land (p \lor r)$$

$$p \land (q \lor r) \leftrightarrow (p \land q) \lor (p \land r)$$

$$p \land \neg q \leftrightarrow p \land \neg (p \land q)$$

$$p \land \neg (q \lor r) \leftrightarrow (p \land \neg q) \lor (p \land \neg r)$$

$$p \land \neg (q \land r) \leftrightarrow (p \land \neg q) \lor (p \land \neg r)$$

$$p \land (q \land \neg r) \leftrightarrow (p \land q) \land \neg (p \land \neg r)$$

$$p \lor (q \land \neg r) \leftrightarrow (p \lor q) \land \neg (r \land \neg p)$$

$$p \land \neg \lor (q \land \neg r) \leftrightarrow (p \land \neg q) \lor (p \land r)$$

Set Operation Identity

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The above identities serve as the basis for an "algebra of sets".



Logic and Sets are closely related

Tautology

$$p \land p \leftrightarrow p$$

$$p \lor p \leftrightarrow p$$

$$p \land \neg (q \land \neg q) \leftrightarrow p$$

$$p \lor \neg (q \land \neg q) \leftrightarrow p$$

Contradiction

$$p \land \neg p$$

$$p \wedge (q \wedge \neg q)$$

$$p \land \neg p$$

Set Operation Identity

$$A \cap A = A$$

$$A \cup A = A$$

$$A - \emptyset = A$$

$$A \cup \emptyset = A$$

Set Operation Identity

$$A - A = \emptyset$$

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

$$A - A = \emptyset$$

The above identities serve as the basis for an "algebra of sets".



Theorem for Logic

Let **p**, **q** and **r** be propositions.

Idempotent laws:

$$p \wedge p \equiv p$$

$$p \lor p \equiv p$$

Truth table:

р	pΛp	$p \lor p$
Т	Т	Т
F	F	F



Theorem for Logic (cont.)

Double negation law:

$$\neg \neg p \equiv p$$

Commutative laws:

$$p \land q \equiv q \land p$$

 $p \lor q \equiv q \lor p$



Theorem for Logic (cont.)

Associative laws:

$$(p \land q) \land r \equiv p \land (q \land r)$$

 $(p \lor q) \lor r \equiv p \lor (q \lor r)$

Distributive laws:

$$p \lor (q \land r) \equiv (p \lor q) \land (p \lor r)$$

 $p \land (q \lor r) \equiv (p \land q) \lor (p \land r)$

PROVE



Prove: Distributive Laws

р	q	r	pv(q∧r)	(p∨q) ∧ (p∨r)
T	Τ	Τ	T	Т
Τ	Τ	F	T	T
T	F	Τ	T	T
T	F	F	T	Т
F	Τ	Τ	T	Т
F	Τ	F	F	F
F	F	T	F	F
F	F	F	F	F



Theorem for Logic (cont.)

Absorption laws:

$$p \land (p \lor q) \equiv p$$

 $p \lor (p \land q) \equiv p$





Prove: Absorption Laws

р	q	p∧(p∨q)	p∨(p∧q)
Ţ	T	T	Т
T	F	T	T
F	T	F	F
F	F	F	F



Theorem for Logic (cont.)

De Morgan's laws:

$$\neg(p \land q) \equiv (\neg p) \lor (\neg q)$$
$$\neg(p \lor q) \equiv (\neg p) \land (\neg q)$$

The truth table for $\neg(p \lor q) \equiv (\neg p) \land (\neg q)$

р	q	¬(p∨q)	¬p^¬q
T	T	F	F
T	F	F	F
F	T	F	F
F	F	T	T



Exercise

Propositional functions p, q and r are defined as follows:

Write the following expressions in terms of p, q and r, and show that each pair of expressions is **logically equivalent**. State carefully which of the above laws are used at each stage.

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(a) ((n = 7) \text{ or } (a > 5)) \text{ and } (x = 0)

((n = 7) \text{ and } (x = 0)) \text{ or } ((a > 5) \text{ and } (x = 0))

(b) \neg((n = 7) \text{ and } (a \le 5))

(n \ne 7) \text{ or } (a > 5)

(c) (n = 7) \text{ or } (\neg((a \le 5) \text{ and } (x = 0)))

((n = 7) \text{ or } (a > 5)) \text{ or } (x \ne 0)
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Exercise

Propositions **p**, **q**, **r** and **s** are defined as follows:

p is "I shall finish my Coursework Assignment"

q is "I shall work for forty hours this week"

r is "I shall pass Maths"

s is "I like Maths"

Write each sentence in symbols:

- (a) I shall not finish my Coursework Assignment.
- (b) I don't like Maths, but I shall finish my Coursework Assignment.
- (c) If I finish my Coursework Assignment, I shall pass Maths.
- (d) I shall pass Maths only if I work for forty hours this week and finish my Coursework Assignment.

Write each expression as a sensible (if untrue!) English sentence:

(e) q V p

(f) $\neg p \rightarrow \neg r$



SCSI1013: Discrete Structures

CHAPTER 1

[Part 4 : Quantifiers & Proof Technique]



QUANTIFIERS

- Most of the statements in mathematics and computer science are not described properly by the propositions.
- Since most of the statements in mathematics and computer science use variables, the system of logic must be extended to include statements with the variables.



- Let P(x) is a statement with variable x and A is a set.
- P is a propositional function or also known as predicate if for each x in A, P(x) is a proposition.
- Set A is the domain of discourse of P.
- Domain of discourse -> the particular domain of the variable in a propositional function.



 A predicate is a statement that contains variables.

Example:

$$Q(x,y): x = y + 3$$

$$R(x,y,z):x+y=z$$



Example

- $x^2 + 4x$ is an odd integer (domain of discourse is set of **positive numbers**).
- $x^2 x 6 = 0$ (domain of discourse is set of **real numbers**).
- UTM is rated as Research University in Malaysia (domain of discourse is set of research university in Malaysia).



- A predicate becomes a proposition if the variable(s) contained is(are)
 - Assigned specific value(s)
 - Quantified

Example

- P(x): x > 3. What are the truth values of P(4) and P(2)?
- Q(x,y): x = y + 3. What are the truth values of Q(1,2) and Q(3,0)?



- Two types of quantifiers:
 - Universal
 - Existential



 Let A be a propositional function with domain of discourse B. The statement

for every x, A(x)

is universally quantified statement

- Symbol ∀ called a universal quantifier is used "for every".
- Can be read as "for all", "for any".



The statement can be written as

$$\forall x A(x)$$

- Above statement is true if A(x) is true for every x in B (false if A(x) is false for at least one x in B).
- A value x in the domain of discourse that makes the statement A(x) false is called a counterexample to the statement.



Example

Let the universally quantified statement is

$$\forall x (x^2 \ge 0)$$

Domain of discourse is the set of real numbers.

 This statement is true because for every real number x, it is true that the square of x is positive or zero.



Example

Let the universally quantified statement is

$$\forall x (x^2 \leq 9)$$

- Domain of discourse is a set $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$
- When x = 4, the statement produce false value.
- Thus, the above statement is false and the counterexample is 4.



- Easy to prove a universally quantified statement is true or false if the domain of discourse is not too large.
- What happen if the domain of discourse contains a large number of elements?
- For example, a set of integer from 1 to 100, the set of positive integers, the set of real numbers or a set of students in Faculty of Computing. It will be hard to show that every element in the set is *true*.

Use existential quantifier!!



 Let A be a propositional function with domain of discourse B. The statement

There exist x, A(x)

is existentially quantified statement

- Symbol ∃ called an existential quantifier is used "there exist".
- Can be read as "for some", "for at least one".



The statement can be written as

$$\exists x A(x)$$

• Above statement is true if A(x) is true for at least one x in B (false if every x in B makes the statement A(x) false).

Just find one x that makes A(x) true!



Example

Let the existentially quantified statement is

$$\exists x \left(\frac{x}{x^2 + 1} = \frac{2}{5} \right)$$

- Domain of discourse is the set of real numbers.
- Statement is true because it is possible to find at least one real number x to make the proposition true.
- For example, if x = 2, we obtain the true proposition as below

$$\left(\frac{x}{x^2+1} = \frac{2}{5}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{2^2+1} = \frac{2}{5}\right)$$



Negation of Quantifiers

 Distributing a negation operator across a quantifier changes a universal to an existential and vice versa.

$$\neg (\forall x P(x)) ; \exists x \neg P(x)$$

$$\neg (\exists x P(x)); \forall x \neg P(x)$$



Example

• Let P(x) = x is taking Discrete Structure course with the domain of discourse is the set of all students.

- $\forall x P(x)$: All students are taking Discrete Structure course.
- $\exists x P(x)$: There is some students who are taking Discrete Structure course.



$$\neg (\exists x P(x)); \forall x \neg P(x)$$

 $\neg \exists x P(x)$: None of the students are taking Discrete Structure course.

 $\forall x \neg P(x)$: All students are not taking Discrete Structure course.

$$\neg (\forall x P(x)) ; \exists x \neg P(x)$$

 $\neg \forall x \ P(x)$: Not all students are taking Discrete Structure course.

∃x ¬P(x): There is some students who are not taking Discrete Structure course



Proofs of Mathematical Statements

- A proof is a valid argument that establishes the truth of a statement.
- In math, CS, and other disciplines, informal proofs which are generally shorter, are generally used.
- Proofs have many practical applications:
 - verification that computer programs are correct
 - establishing that operating systems are secure
 - enabling programs to make inferences in artificial intelligence
 - showing that system specifications are consistent



Forms of Theorems

 Often the universal quantifier (needed for a precise statement of a theorem) is omitted by standard mathematical convention.

For example, the statement:

"If x > y, where x and y are positive real numbers, then $x^2 > y^2$ "

really means

"For all positive real numbers x and y, if x > y, then $x^2 > y^2$."



Proving Theorems

- Many theorems have the form: $\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$
- To prove them, we show that where c is an arbitrary element of the domain, $P(c) \rightarrow Q(c)$
- By universal generalization the truth of the original formula follows.
- So, we must prove something of the form: $p \rightarrow q$



Even and Odd Integers

- Definition: The integer n is even if there exists an integer k such that n = 2k, and n is odd if there exists an integer k, such that n = 2k + 1. Note that every integer is either even or odd and no integer is both even and odd.
- We will need this basic fact about the integers in some of the example proofs to follow.



Proving Conditional Statements: $p \rightarrow q$

Direct Proof: Assume that p is true. Use rules of inference, axioms, and logical equivalences to show that q must also be true.

Example: Give a direct proof of the theorem "If n is an odd integer, then n^2 is odd."

Solution: Assume that n is odd. Then n = 2k + 1 for an integer k. Squaring both sides of the equation, we get:

$$n^2 = (2k+1)^2 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1 = 2(2k^2 + 2k) + 1 = 2r + 1$$
, where $r = 2k^2 + 2k$, an integer.

We have proved that if n is an odd integer, then n^2 is an odd integer.



Proving Conditional Statements: $p \rightarrow q$

Indirect Proof: Assume $\neg q$ and show $\neg p$ is true also. If we give a direct proof of $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ then we have a proof of $p \rightarrow q$.

Example: Prove that for an integer n, if n^2 is odd, then n is odd.

Solution: Use proof by contraposition. Assume n is even (i.e., not odd). Therefore, there exists an integer k such that n = 2k. Hence,

$$n^2 = 4k^2 = 2(2k^2)$$

and n^2 is even(i.e., not odd).

We have shown that if n is an even integer, then n^2 is even. Therefore by indirect proof, for an integer n, if n^2 is odd, then n is odd.



Proving Conditional Statements: $p \rightarrow q$

- **Proof by Contradiction.** To prove p, assume $\neg p$ and derive a contradiction such as $p \land \neg p$. (an indirect form of proof). To prove p, assume $\neg p$ and derive a contradiction such as $p \land \neg p$. (an indirect form of proof). Since we have shown that $\neg p \rightarrow F$ is true, it follows that the contrapositive $T \rightarrow p$ also holds.
- **Example**: Use a proof by contradiction to give a proof that $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational.

Solution: Suppose $\sqrt{2}$ is rational. Then there exists integers a and b with $\sqrt{2} = a/b$, where $b \neq 0$ and a and b have no common factors.

Then

$$2 = \frac{a^2}{b^2} \qquad 2b^2 = a^2$$

Therefore a^2 must be even. If a^2 is even then a must be even (an exercise). Since a is even, a = 2c for some integer c. Thus,

$$2b^2 = 4c^2$$
 $b^2 = 2c^2$

Therefore b^2 is even. Again then b must be even as well.

But then 2 must divide both a and b. This contradicts our assumption that a and b have no common factors. We have proved by contradiction that our initial assumption must be false and therefore $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational.