

# Sets, Operations, Maps

## Sets

$$\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} \quad \text{natural numbers}$$

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

$$\mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \frac{k}{n} \mid k, n \in \mathbb{N}, n \neq 0 \right\} \quad \text{rationals}$$

$$\mathbb{R} = \quad \text{real numbers}$$

$$\mathbb{C} = \{a + ib \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\} \quad \text{complex}$$

$$i = \text{imaginary unit}$$

$$\text{characterized by} \quad i^2 = -1.$$

$$\mathbb{R}^d = \{(a_1, \dots, a_d) \mid a_i \in \mathbb{R}\} \quad d\text{-dimensional space}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^\infty = \{(a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots) \mid a_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$\text{space of infinite sequences of reals}$$

## Operations

Let  $A, B$  be sets.

$$A \cup B = \{c \mid c \in A \text{ or } c \in B\} \quad \text{union}$$

$$A \cap B = \{c \mid c \in A \text{ and } c \in B\} \quad \text{intersection}$$

$$A \setminus B = \{c \in A \mid c \notin B\} \quad \text{difference}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \Delta B &= A \cup B \setminus \{x \in A : x \in B\} \quad \text{symmetric difference} \\ &= (A \cup B) \cap A \cap B \end{aligned}$$

## Indexed Family of Sets

Let  $(A_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$  be an indexed family of sets (index set  $I$ ).

- $I = \mathbb{N}$ ,  $A_\alpha := \{\alpha, \alpha + 1\}$
- $I = \mathbb{R}^+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x > 0\}$ ,  $A_\alpha := [\alpha, \infty)$

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha := \{a \mid a \in A_\alpha \text{ for some } \alpha \in I\}$$

$$= \{a \mid \exists \alpha \in I \text{ such that } a \in A_\alpha\}$$

$$\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha = \{a \mid a \in A_\alpha \text{ for every } \alpha \in I\}$$

$$\text{for all } \alpha \in I$$

# Maps

*Map = function = mapping = transformation* Let  $A, B$  be sets. A *map*  $f$

$$\begin{aligned} f : A &\rightarrow B \\ a &\mapsto f(a) \end{aligned}$$

is an *assignment*: to  $\forall a \in A$   $f$  assigns a unique  $b \in B$ , which is called the *value of  $f$  at  $a$*  and is denoted by  $f(a)$ .

*Note*:  $f$  assigns to  $\forall a \in A$  a *value*, but there may exist  $b \in B$  s.t.  $f(a_1) = f(b) \quad \forall a_1 \in A$ .

- $A$  is called the *domain* (of definition) of  $f$ .
- $B$  is called the *target space* of  $f$ .

If  $A' \subset A$ , then the map  $f'$

$$\begin{aligned} f' : A' &\rightarrow B \\ a &\mapsto f'(a) = f(a) \end{aligned}$$

is called the *restriction of  $f$  to  $A'$*   
(denoted by  $f' = f|_{A'}$ ).

## Examples

1.  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad x \mapsto \sin(x) \quad \Rightarrow f = \sin \quad f.ct.$
2.  $f : \mathbb{R}^{1203} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad x \mapsto y^x$
3.  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad x \mapsto \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x} & x \neq 0 \\ 20 & x = 0 \end{cases}$
4.  $f : V \rightarrow \text{set of subspaces of } V = \mathbb{R}^3 \quad v \mapsto \text{span}(v)$
5.  $D : P(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P(\mathbb{R}), \quad p(x) \mapsto p'(x) = p' \quad \text{derivative}$