

CS 2050 Class Notes for 2018-09-14

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1 Section 2.1: Sets

Unordered collection of elements.

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

$S = \{1, 3, 7, 7, \text{Mary}, \text{Lee}, 3.5, 1\}$

The cardinality of S is 6.

$\mathbb{Z}^+ = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

The cardinality of \mathbb{Z}^+ is ∞ .

$B = \{\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}^+, \mathbb{R}\}$

The cardinality of B is 3.

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

The cardinality of C is 5. The only element not counted is $\{1, 1, 2\}$, because it is equivalent to $\{1, 2\}$.

Note: $1 \neq \{1\}$, and $1 \in \{1\}$

Also, the set that contains the empty set is not equal to the empty set itself.

$D = \{\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}^+ \cup \{0\} \cup \mathbb{Z}^-\}$

The cardinality of D is 1, because the second element is equivalent to the first.

Set Builder Notation vs. List Notation

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

$\mathbb{Z}^+ = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$

$B = \{2x \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$

$A = \{1, 2\}$

$B = \{5, 6, 7\}$

$A \times B = \{(1, 5), (1, 6), (1, 7), (2, 5), (2, 6), (2, 7)\}$

$A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$

$S = \{2, 9, 28, 65, \dots\}$

$S = \{x^3 + 1 \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$

$A = B \iff \forall x(x \in A \iff x \in B)$

$A \subset B \iff \forall x(x \in A \rightarrow x \in B) \wedge \exists x(x \in B \wedge x \notin A)$

(Note: the above is a proper subset. A "regular" subset is denoted by \subseteq .)

$A \subseteq B \iff \forall x(x \in A \rightarrow x \in B)$