

§1.1 - Sets

Def A set is a collection of objects, called elements or members.

Note: order does not matter!

How to describe sets:

1) if not too big, can list out all elements

Ex $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ $C = \{\text{cat}, 1, \boxed{}\}$
 $B = \{\text{cat}, \text{dog}, \text{horse}\}$ $D = \{12, \{2, 3\}, 6\}$

We assume no duplicates + delete any repeated elements, so

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

2) if bigger, can list out the conditions for membership

Ex $A = \{x \in S \mid x \text{ is an integer multiple of } 5\}$

Annotations:
- $x \in S$: \uparrow in larger set S
- x : \uparrow member name
- \mid : \uparrow "such that"
- $x \text{ is an integer multiple of } 5$: \uparrow member condition

This is set-builder notation.

Symbols for common sets

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{x \mid x \text{ is an integer}\}$$

$$\mathbb{Q} = \{x \mid x \text{ is a rational number}\}$$

$$\mathbb{R} = \{x \mid x \text{ is a real number}\}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} = \{x \mid x \text{ is a non-negative integer}\}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_{> 0} = \{x \mid x \text{ is a positive integer}\}$$

Def If X contains infinitely many elements, we say X is infinite.
Otherwise X is finite.

Ex \mathbb{Z} is infinite

$\{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \leq 10^{17}\}$ is finite

Def For a finite set X , the cardinality of X , written $|X|$, is the 'number of elements in X '.

Ex For $A = \{2, 7, 8\}$, $|A| = 3$.

Def For a set X , we write $x \in X$ if x is an element of X . Otherwise we write $x \notin X$.

Ex So for A as above, $2 \in A$ and $5 \notin A$.

Def If $X = \{\}$, i.e. X has no elements, we say X is empty, & call it the empty set, denoted \emptyset .

We say sets X and Y are equal, denoted $X = Y$, if they contain the same elements.

Ex $X = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \text{ is a multiple of } 2\}$

$Y = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \text{ is even}\}$

Then $X = Y$

Q: How to show that sets X, Y are equal?

A: Often we show if $x \in X$, then $x \in Y$ and if $y \in Y$, then $y \in X$.

EX) $B = \{x \mid x^2 - 7x - 18 = 0\}$ $C = \{9, -2\}$

Q: How to show that sets X, Y are not equal?

A: Find some $x \in X$ where $x \notin Y$ or some $y \in Y$ where $y \notin X$

EX: $X = \{x \mid x \text{ is an aquatic animal}\}$ $Y = \{y \mid y \text{ is a fish}\}$
 $X \neq Y$ because dolphins $\in X$ but dolphins $\notin Y$

Def For sets X, Y if each $x \in X$ is also an element of Y , we say X is a subset of Y , denoted $X \subseteq Y$. Otherwise we write $X \not\subseteq Y$.

EX) $A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid (x+1)(x-1) = 0\}$
Then $A = \{-1, 1\} \Rightarrow A \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$

EX) For X, Y as above, $Y \subseteq X$.

Def If $X \subseteq Y$ and $X \neq Y$, we say X is a proper subset of Y , written $X \subset Y$.

Ex $\{\overset{\text{types of}}{\text{fish}}\} \subseteq \{\overset{\text{types of}}{\text{aquatic animals}}\}$

Q: How to show, in general, $X \subseteq Y$?
A: Take arbitrary $x \in X$ and prove $x \in Y$.

The set of all subsets of X is the power set, denoted $P(X)$.

Ex $X = \{1, 2\}$ $P(X) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{1, 2\}\}$

Ex Claim: $P(X) \subseteq P(Y)$ if $X \subseteq Y$
Suppose $S \in P(X)$. Then $S \subseteq X \Rightarrow S \subseteq Y \Rightarrow S \in P(Y)$.

Set Operation: On sets X and Y , define

Def the union of X and Y :
 $X \cup Y = \{z \mid z \in X \text{ or } z \in Y\}$

the intersection of X and Y :
 $X \cap Y = \{z \mid z \in X \text{ and } z \in Y\}$

If $X \cap Y = \emptyset$, we say X and Y are disjoint.

Ex $X = \{2, 6, 5, 15, 9\}$ $Y = \{3, 8, 6, 15, 18\}$

$$X \cup Y = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 15, 18\}$$

$$X \cap Y = \{6, 15\}$$

the difference of X and Y :

$$X - Y = \{z \mid z \in X \text{ and } z \notin Y\}$$

Often our sets live in a larger set U called the universal set.

The complement of X in U is

$$\bar{X} = \{x \in U \mid x \notin X\} = U - X$$

Ex] For $U = \mathbb{R}$ and $X = \mathbb{Q}$,
 $\bar{X} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \text{ irrational}\}$

see Theorem 1.1.22 for different ways to express sets.

We call a set of sets a collection of sets.

We write

$$\bigcup A_i = \{x \mid x \in A_i \text{ for some } i\}$$

$$\bigcap A_i = \{x \mid x \in A_i \text{ for each } i\}$$

Def A collection $S = \{A_1, A_2, \dots\}$ is a partition of a set X if for each $x \in X$, there is some i for which $x \in A_i$ and each pair of sets A_i, A_j are disjoint.

Ex] $S = \{\{1, 4, 2\}, \{5, 3\}, \{6\}\}$ is
a partition of $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

Def The Cartesian product $X \times Y$ of sets X and Y , is the set

$$X \times Y = \{(x, y) \mid x \in X, y \in Y\}$$

§3.1 Functions:

Def A function is an assignment of an element of Y to each element of X .

We write $f: X \rightarrow Y$ ^{\leftarrow domain} ^{\leftarrow codomain}
and $f(x) = y$ if f assigns y to x .

Can view f as a subset of $X \times Y$ by
instead writing $f = \{(x, y) \mid f \text{ assigns } y \text{ to } x\}$

$\{y \in Y \mid y = f(x) \text{ for some } x \in X\}$ is the range.

Def We define the modulus operator to be the following:
for $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ and $y \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ (positive integers),
define $x \bmod y$ to be the remainder from dividing x by y .

Ex $8 \bmod 2 = 0$

$$5 \bmod 3 = 2$$

$$3 \bmod 5 = 3$$

Claim: $\{m \in \mathbb{Z} \mid m \bmod n = 0\}$
 $= \{m \in \mathbb{Z} \mid m \text{ is an integer multiple of } n\}$

Def

For $x \in \mathbb{R}$,
the floor of x
 $\lfloor x \rfloor = \text{largest } z \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ where } z \leq x$

"rounds down"

the ceiling of x

$\lceil x \rceil = \text{smallest } z \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ where } z \geq x$

"rounds up"

Def

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ is one-to-one, or injective, if
for each
 $x_1, x_2 \in X$, if $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$, then $x_1 = x_2$

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ is onto, or surjective, if
for each

$y \in Y$, there exists some $x \in X$ where $f(x) = y$.

If f is 1-1 and onto, f is bijective.

If f is bijective, f is invertible.

We write f^{-1} to be the inverse of $f: X \rightarrow Y$
where if $f(x) = y$, $f^{-1}(y) = x$, where $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$.

For $f: X \rightarrow Y$, $g: Y \rightarrow Z$,

$g \circ f = g(f)$ is the composition of g w/ f ,
where for $x \in X$, $y \in Y$, $z \in Z$
if $f(x) = y$, $g(y) = z \Rightarrow$

$$g \circ f(x) = g(f(x)) = g(y) = z$$