

c. 1.1 → Notation / Set Theory

SET : collection of objects - let A be a set

$x \in A$

$x \notin A$



every element of B is contained in A

SUBSETS

$B \subseteq A$, PROPER SUBSET $B \subset A$

every element of B is in A, but there is at least one element of A that is not in B

Exa. $A = \mathbb{N}$ $B = 2\mathbb{N} = \text{even numbers}$

$x = 2$ $x \in A$,

$y = \sqrt{2}$ $y \notin A$

$\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

$B \subseteq A$, $B \subset A$, $\mathbb{R} \supset A$

Sets A, B $A = B \iff A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq A$

To define a set, we use the notation

$B = \{x \in A : P(x)\}$

The elements of B are those elements of A satisfying the property P(x).

Exa.

$B = \{x \in \mathbb{N} : x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0\}$

B is the set of all $x \in \mathbb{N}$ satisfying the equation, namely

$B = \{1, 2\}$

Ex.

Define using set notation the even and odd integers:

$E = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : n = 2k, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ or $\{2k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$

$O = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : n = 2k-1, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ or $\{2k-1 : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$

SET OPERATIONS A, B sets

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

UNION

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

INTERSECTION

$A \setminus B = \{x : x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$

COMPLEMENT

\emptyset EMPTY SET = set with no elements

IF $A \cap B = \emptyset$, then A, B are DISJOINT

$\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = \{x : x \in A_n \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

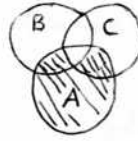
$\{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a countable collection of sets

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Thm Let A, B, C be sets

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

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



PROOF (b) Need to show that

(1) $A \setminus (B \cap C) \subseteq (A \setminus B) \cup (A \setminus C)$

(2) $(A \setminus B) \cup (A \setminus C) \subseteq A \setminus (B \cap C)$

(1) IF $x \in A \setminus (B \cap C)$, then $x \in A$ but $x \notin B \cap C$. Hence $x \in A$ but $x \notin B$ or

$x \in A$ but $x \notin C$. Thus $x \in (A \setminus B) \cup (A \setminus C)$

(2) IF $x \in A$ but $x \notin B$ or $x \in A$ but $x \notin C$, then $x \in A$ but x cannot belong to both B and C . Thus $x \in A \setminus (B \cap C)$.

DEF CARTESIAN PRODUCT OF SETS let A, B be non-empty sets.

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

Notice: This is a collection of pairs. Order is important!

Ex $A = \mathbb{N}, B = \{0, 1\}$

$$A \times B = \{(n, 0), (n, 1) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

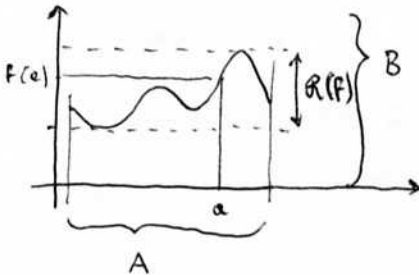
DEF FUNCTION For A, B sets, ~~the~~ a function f from A to B ($f: A \rightarrow B$) is a set of ordered pairs $(a, b) \in A \times B$ such that for each $a \in A$ there is a unique $b \in B$ s.t. $b = f(a)$

A is the DOMAIN of $f \equiv D(f)$

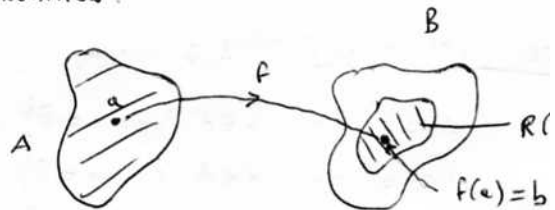
$$R(f) = \{b \in B : b = f(a), a \in A\} \subseteq B$$

$$A = D(f)$$

$$R(f) \subseteq B$$



Set NOTATION:



$$a = f^{-1}(b) \quad \text{INVERSE IMAGE}$$

CAN YOU INVERT f ?

You need to be sure that to any $b \in R(f)$ it corresponds

a unique $a \in A$ s.t. $f(a) = b$. \rightarrow BIJECTIVE FUNCTION

