

# Mathematical foundations

Read the relevant lecture slides.

## 1 Sets

### 1.1 Exercise

What is the difference between  $\emptyset$  and  $\{\emptyset\}$ ?

#### Solution

$\emptyset$  is the empty set, i.e., the set with no elements.  $\{\emptyset\}$  is the set containing one element, the empty set.

### 1.2 Exercise

In this exercise we will use the following sets:

- $A = \{a, b, c, d\}$
- $B = \{d, f, e, r, k\}$
- $C = \{r, e, m\}$
- $D = \{q, l\}$
- $E = \{\}$
- $\Delta$  is the universal set.

What is the cardinality of each of these sets?

List all the elements in the following sets:

1.  $A \cup B$ .
2.  $A \cup (B \cap C)$ .
3.  $(A \cap B) \cup (C \cap A)$ .
4.  $B \setminus C$ .
5.  $C \setminus B$ .
6.  $D \cap \overline{E}$ .
7.  $D \cup \overline{E}$ .

## Solution

Cardinalities:

1.  $|A| = 4.$
2.  $|B| = 5$
3.  $|C| = 3.$
4.  $|D| = 2.$
5.  $|E| = |\emptyset| = 0.$

Sets:

1.  $A \cup B = \{a, b, c, d, e, f, k, r\}$
2.  $A \cup (B \cap C) = A \cup \{e, r\} = \{a, b, c, d, e, r\}.$
3.  $(A \cap B) \cup (C \cap A) = \{d\} \cup \emptyset = \{d\}$
4.  $B \setminus C = \{d, f, k\}.$
5.  $C \setminus B = \{m\}.$
6.  $D \cap \bar{E} = D \cap \Delta = D = \{q, l\}.$
7.  $D \cup \bar{E} = D \cup \Delta = \Delta.$

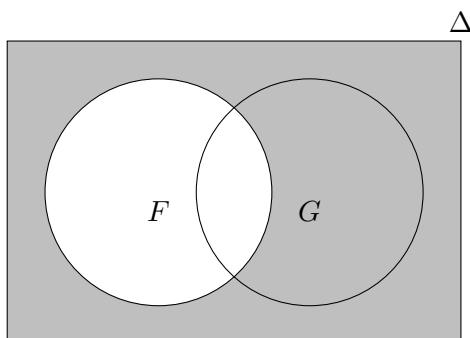
## 1.3 Exercise

Let  $F$  and  $G$  be two arbitrary sets and  $\Delta$  the universal set. Draw Venn diagrams containing the sets  $F$ ,  $G$  and  $\Delta$  and shade the area representing the following sets:

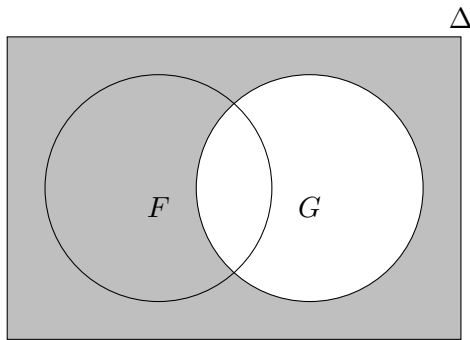
1.  $\bar{F}.$
2.  $\bar{G}.$
3.  $\overline{(F \cup G)}.$
4.  $\bar{F} \cap \bar{G}.$
5.  $\overline{(F \cap G)}.$
6.  $\bar{F} \cup \bar{G}.$

## Solution

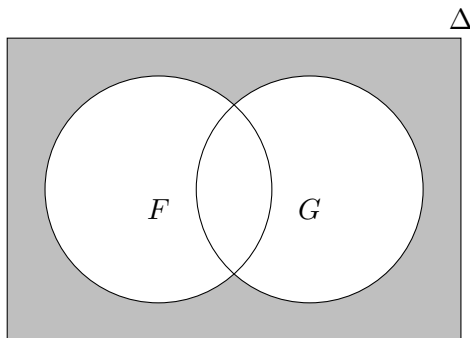
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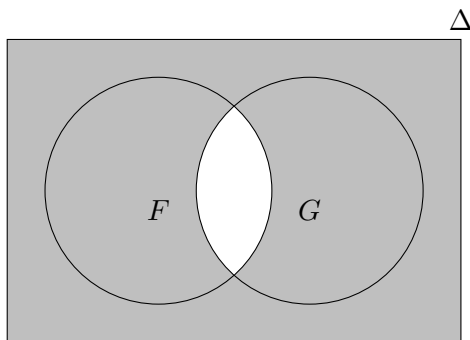
2. Exercise 2.



3. Exercise 3 and 4.



4. Exercise 5 and 6.



## 1.4 Exercise

Create three sets  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  such that the following hold:

- The union of  $A$  and  $B$  is  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .
- The intersection of  $A$  and  $C$  is  $\{3\}$ .
- The union of  $B$  and  $C$  is  $\{3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .
- The intersection of  $B$  and  $C$  is  $\{4\}$ .

### Solution

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

## 1.5 Exercise

Let  $A = \{1, 2, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{1, 2, 3\}\}$  and decide if the following hold

- $1 \in A$
- $2 \in A$
- $3 \in A$
- $\emptyset \in A$
- $\{1\} \in A$
- $\{1, 3\} \in A$
- $\{1, 2, \{1, 2\}\} \in A$
- $\emptyset \subseteq A$
- $\{1\} \subseteq A$
- $\{1, 3\} \subseteq A$
- $\{1, 2, \{1, 2\}\} \subseteq A$
- $\{\{1, 2, 3\}\} \in A$

### Solution

- $1 \in A$  true
- $2 \in A$  true
- $3 \in A$  false
- $\emptyset \in A$  false
- $\{1\} \in A$  false
- $\{1, 3\} \in A$  true
- $\{1, 2, \{1, 2\}\} \in A$  false
- $\emptyset \subseteq A$  true
- $\{1\} \subseteq A$  true
- $\{1, 3\} \subseteq A$  false
- $\{1, 2, \{1, 2\}\} \subseteq A$  true
- $\{\{1, 2, 3\}\} \in A$  false

## 2 Relations

### 2.1 Exercise

Let  $A$  be the set  $A = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$ . Create non-empty relations  $R_i$  on  $A$  such that the conditions below hold.

1.  $R_1 = A \times A$
2.  $R_2$  is reflexive.

3.  $R_3$  is symmetric.
4.  $R_4$  is transitive.
5.  $R_5$  is irreflexive.

### Solution

There is only one solution to  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ . There are many solutions to  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$  and  $R_5$ .

$$R_1 = \{ \langle a, a \rangle, \langle a, b \rangle, \langle a, c \rangle, \langle a, d \rangle, \langle a, e \rangle, \langle a, f \rangle, \langle b, a \rangle, \langle b, b \rangle, \langle b, c \rangle, \langle b, d \rangle, \langle b, e \rangle, \langle b, f \rangle, \langle c, a \rangle, \langle c, b \rangle, \langle c, c \rangle, \langle c, d \rangle, \langle c, e \rangle, \langle c, f \rangle, \langle d, a \rangle, \langle d, b \rangle, \langle d, c \rangle, \langle d, d \rangle, \langle d, e \rangle, \langle d, f \rangle, \langle e, a \rangle, \langle e, b \rangle, \langle e, c \rangle, \langle e, d \rangle, \langle e, e \rangle, \langle e, f \rangle, \langle f, a \rangle, \langle f, b \rangle, \langle f, c \rangle, \langle f, d \rangle, \langle f, e \rangle, \langle f, f \rangle \}$$

$$R_2 = \{ \langle a, a \rangle, \langle b, b \rangle, \langle c, c \rangle, \langle d, d \rangle, \langle e, e \rangle, \langle f, f \rangle \}$$

$$R_3 = \{ \langle a, a \rangle, \langle a, b \rangle, \langle b, a \rangle, \langle d, c \rangle, \langle c, d \rangle, \langle f, f \rangle \}$$

$$R_4 = \{ \langle a, a \rangle, \langle a, b \rangle, \langle b, a \rangle, \langle d, c \rangle, \langle c, d \rangle, \langle f, f \rangle, \langle b, b \rangle, \langle d, d \rangle, \langle c, c \rangle \}$$

$$R_5 = \{ \langle a, b \rangle, \langle c, d \rangle \}$$

### 2.2 Exercise

Assume the normal intended interpretation. Which of the following relations are reflexive, transitive and/or symmetric?

- hasSister
- hasSibling
- hasFather
- hasParent
- hasAge
- hasSpouse
- likes

### Solution

This is one normal interpretation:

- hasSister: transitive
- hasSibling: symmetric and transitive
- hasFather:
- hasParent:
- hasAge:
- hasSpouse: symmetric (transitive?)

- likes: symmetric, reflexive?

### 3 Propositional logic

#### 3.1 Exercise

Let  $\phi$  be the propositional formula  $(P \wedge Q) \vee R \rightarrow S \wedge Q$ .

- Create an interpretation  $\mathcal{I}_1$  such that  $\mathcal{I}_1 \models \phi$ .
- Create an interpretation  $\mathcal{I}_2$  such that  $\mathcal{I}_2 \not\models \phi$ .

#### Solution

- $I_1 = \{R, S, Q\}$
- $I_2 = \{R\}$

#### 3.2 Exercise

- Find the truth table to the formula  $(P \rightarrow Q) \rightarrow P$
- Find the truth table to the formula  $(P \rightarrow Q) \vee (Q \rightarrow P)$
- What is there to note about the two formulae?

#### Solution

$P$	$Q$	$(P \rightarrow Q)$	$\rightarrow$	$P$
$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$
$T$	$F$	$F$	$T$	$T$
$F$	$T$	$T$	$F$	$F$
$F$	$F$	$T$	$F$	$F$

The formula is equivalent to  $P$ .

$P$	$Q$	$(P \rightarrow Q)$	$\vee$	$(Q \rightarrow P)$
$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$
$T$	$F$	$F$	$T$	$T$
$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$F$
$F$	$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$

The formula is always true, it is a tautology.

#### 3.3 Exercise

Decide the following entailment questions. If the answer is yes, then produce a proof, e.g., a truth table, which shows why the answer is yes. If the answer is no, then produce a countermodel, i.e., an interpretation which makes the first formula true and the second false.

- Does  $P \vee Q$  entail  $Q$ ?
- Does  $P \wedge Q$  entail  $P \vee Q$ ?
- Does  $P \rightarrow (P \rightarrow Q)$  entail  $Q$ ?

- Does  $P \wedge \neg P$  entail  $Q$ ?

### **Solution**

- Does  $P \vee Q$  entail  $Q$ ? No.
- Does  $P \wedge Q$  entail  $P \vee Q$ ? Yes.
- Does  $P \rightarrow (P \rightarrow Q)$  entail  $Q$ ? No.
- Does  $P \wedge \neg P$  entail  $Q$ ? Yes.