

CS 441 Discrete Mathematics for CS

Lecture 11

Sets and set operations

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Course administration

Homework 3:

- Due today

Homework 4:

- Due next week on Friday, February 10, 2006

Midterm 1:

- Wednesday, February 15, 2006
- Covers chapter 1 of the textbook
- Closed book
- Tables for equivalences and rules of inference will be given to you

Course web page:

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Review

Definition: A **set** is a (unordered) collection of objects. These objects are sometimes called **elements** or **members** of the set. (Cantor's naive definition)

Example: First seven prime numbers.

$$X = \{ 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17 \}$$

Definition: An **ordered n-tuple** (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N) is the ordered collection that has x_1 as its first element, x_2 as its second element, ..., and x_N as its N -th element, $N \geq 2$.

Example:

- Coordinates of a point in the 2-D plane $(12, 16)$

Cartesian product

Definition: Let S and T be sets. The **Cartesian product of S and T** , denoted by **$S \times T$** , is the set of all ordered pairs (s,t) , where $s \in S$ and $t \in T$. Hence,

- $$S \times T = \{ (s,t) \mid s \in S \wedge t \in T \}.$$

Examples:

- $S = \{1,2\}$ and $T = \{a,b,c\}$
- $S \times T = \{ (1,a), (1,b), (1,c), (2,a), (2,b), (2,c) \}$
- $T \times S = \{ (a,1), (a,2), (b,1), (b,2), (c,1), (c,2) \}$
- Note: $S \times T \neq T \times S$!!!!

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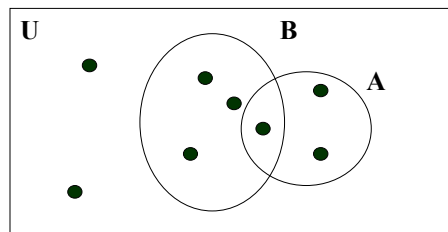
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- $|A \times B| = 9$
- $|A|=3, |B|=3 \rightarrow |A| |B|= 9$

Definition: A subset of the Cartesian product $A \times B$ is called a relation from the set A to the set B .

Set operations

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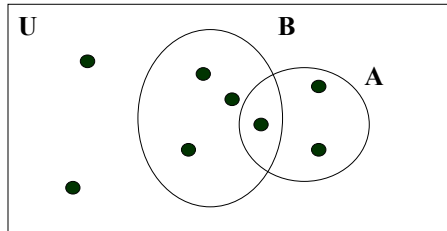
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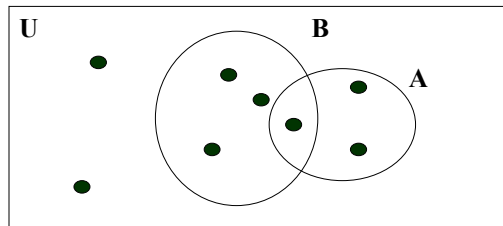
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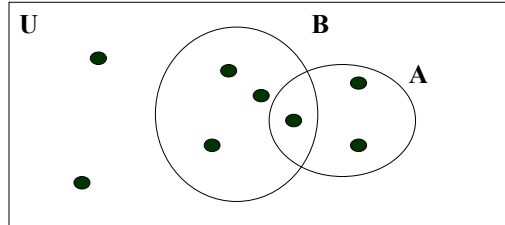
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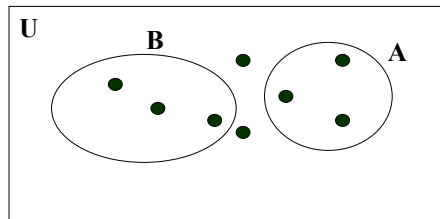
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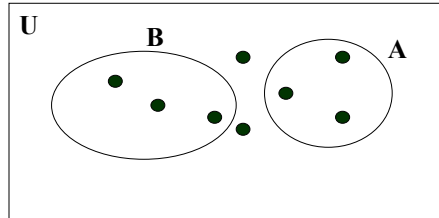
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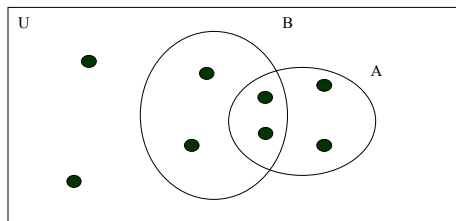
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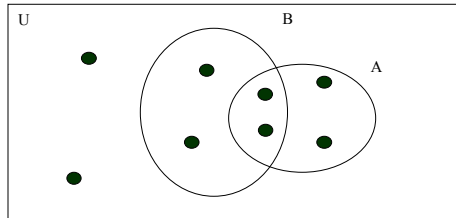


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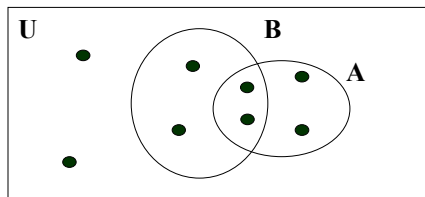


- Why this formula? Correct for an over-count.
- More general rule:
 - **The principle of inclusion and exclusion.**

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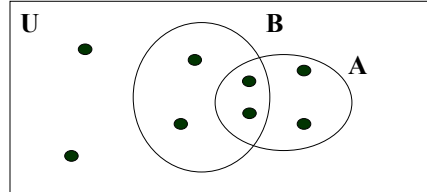
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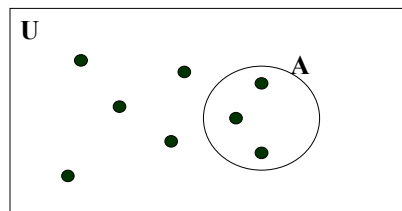
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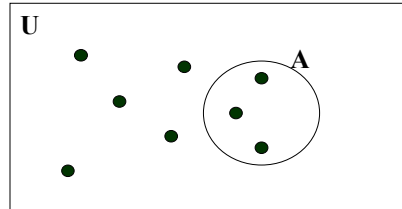
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Set identities

Set Identities (analogous to logical equivalences)

- **Identity**

- $A \cup \emptyset = A$
- $A \cap U = A$

- **Domination**

- $A \cup U = U$
- $A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$

- **Idempotent**

- $A \cup A = A$
- $A \cap A = A$

Set identities

- **Double complement**

- $\overline{\overline{A}} = A$

- **Commutative**

- $A \cup B = B \cup A$

- $A \cap B = B \cap A$

- **Associative**

- $A \cup (B \cup C) = (A \cup B) \cup C$

- $A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C$

- **Distributive**

- $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$

- $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$

Set identities

- **DeMorgan**

- $\overline{(A \cap B)} = \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$

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- **Absorbion Laws**

- $A \cup (A \cap B) = A$

- $A \cap (A \cup B) = A$

- **Complement Laws**

- $A \cup \overline{A} = U$

- $A \cap \overline{A} = \emptyset$

Set identities

- Set identities can be proved using **membership tables**.
- List each combination of sets that an element can belong to. Then show that for each such a combination the element either belongs or does not belong to both sets in the identity.
- Prove: $\overline{(A \cap B)} = \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$

A	B	\overline{A}	\overline{B}	$\overline{A \cap B}$	$\overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$
1	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1	1
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Generalized unions and intersections

Definition: The **union of a collection of sets** is the set that contains those elements that are members of at least one set in the collection.

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i = \{A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n\}$$

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Generalized unions and intersections

Definition: The **intersection of a collection of sets** is the set that contains those elements that are members of all sets in the collection.

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i = \{A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_n\}$$

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- Let $A_i = \{1, 2, \dots, i\}$ $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i = \{1\}$$

Computer representation of sets

Idea: Assign a bit in a bit string to each element in the universal set and set the bit to 1 if the element is present otherwise use 0

Example:

All possible elements: $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

- Assume $A = \{2, 5\}$
 - Computer representation: $A = 01001$
- Assume $B = \{1, 5\}$
 - Computer representation: $B = 10001$

Computer representation of sets

Example:

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- The **complement** is modeled with a bitwise **negation**
- $\bar{A} = 10110$