

Chapter 0: Math Notation

- (p4). Sets
 - **Sets**: Collections of objects called **members** or **elements**
 - **Membership**: $x \in S$
 - comma-separated list in “{}” – order irrelevant
 - $\{x \mid x \in S, \text{ has some property}\}$
 - \forall for all. “ \exists ” there exists
 - **Multiset**: members can be duplicated
 - **Infinite set**: set has infinite # of members
 - **N** = set of natural numbers $\{1, 2, \dots\}$
 - **Z** = set of integers $\{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$
 - The **Empty Set**: \emptyset has no members (arity = 0)
 - **Sequence** or **tuple** notation: comma-separate list in “()”
 - Position in list is relevant
 - Number of elements in each tuple: its **arity**
 - **k-tuple** has k elements; 2-tuple = **Ordered Pair** = **Pair**
 - Elements may be repeated
 - Relationships between sets:
 - **Equal, disjoint, subset, proper subset**
 - Set operations: compute new set from 2 or more sets
 - **Union** $A \cup B$, **intersection** $A \cap B$, **complementation** $A \setminus B$
 - **Cartesian/cross product** $A \times B = \{(a,b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$
 - **Power set** of set A: set of all subsets of A
 - p.5 Venn diagrams

- (p9). **Relation** R over A_1, \dots, A_n is some subset of $A_1 \times \dots \times A_n$
 - Also called a **predicate**
 - Write “ $R(x,y,z)$ ” if tuple $(x,y,z) \in R$
 - Example non-binary relation: “ $+$ ” = $\{(x,y,z) \mid z=x+y\}$
 - One-place relations called **properties**
 - Positives = $\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}, x > 0\}$
 - Human = $\{x \mid x \text{ an object, } x \text{ is human}\}$
 - **Binary relations** from a Power Set:
 - Successor = $\{(x,x+1)\}$; $>$ = $\{(x,y) \mid x > y\}$
 - ParentOf = $\{(x,y) \mid x \text{ and } y \text{ human and } x \text{ is parent of } y\}$
 - Properties of binary relations: Assume R from $A \times A = A^2$
 - **Reflexive**: (a,a) in R
 - **Symmetric**: if $R(a,b)$ then $R(b,a)$
 - **Transitive**: if $R(a,b)$ and $R(b,c)$ then $R(a,c)$
 - If R obeys all 3, then **Equivalence Relation**
 - Two objects are “equivalent” in some sense)
 - Assume $A = P_1 \cup P_2 \cup \dots \cup P_n$ where
 - P_i called an **Equivalence Class**
 - P_i and P_j all disjoint subsets of A
 - P_i = set of all elements x, y such that $R(x,y)$
 - E.g. $A = \mathbb{Z}$ and $R = \{(x,y) \mid x \bmod 3 = y \bmod 3\}$
 - $P_0 = \{0, 3, 6, 9, 12, \dots\}$
 - $P_1 = \{1, 4, 7, 10, 13, \dots\}$
 - $P_2 = \{2, 5, 8, 11, 14, \dots\}$

- **Transitive closure**: computation of equivalence class
 - Start with some element x in class
 - Add in all elements y such that $R(x,y)$
 - Repeat until exhausted
- **Function f** : related to binary relation F over $A \times B$ where
 - for all a in A there is exactly 1 b in B such that $F(a,b)$
 - Set A called **Domain** and set B called **Range**
 - Written $f: A \rightarrow B$
 - Considered a **mapping** from **argument** a to **result** b
 - Notation: $f(a)$ “stands for” object b such that $F(a,b)$ is true
 - Argument and/or result may be tuples
 - Examples page 8 & 9
- **Computation**: given an a , find $f(a)$
 - Also called **function evaluation** or **application**
- Types of functions:
 - **Total**: for each a , there is some b such that $F(a,b)$ or $f(a)=b$
 - **Partial**: there is some a with no b such that $F(a,b)$ or $f(a)=b$
 - **Injective or one-to-one**: $f(a) = f(b)$ iff $a = b$
 - **Surjective or onto**: for each b there is some a where $f(a) = b$
 - **Bijective**: both above
 - If A and B overlap, a is a **fixed point** if $f(a) = a$
 - f and g **composable** if $f:A \rightarrow B$ and $g:B \rightarrow C$.
 - Can write $g(f(a))$

- Since functions are sets, we can define functions that have domains and ranges of functions
 - Functions are first class objects
 - Define **composition function** $\circ: (A \rightarrow B) \times (B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C)$
 - $\circ(g, f) = h$, where $h: A \rightarrow C$ and $h(a) = g(f(a))$
- Notation for **binary functions** (argument is 2-tuple)
 - **Prefix** $f(a,b)$, **infix** $a f b$, **postfix** $a b f$
 - **Commutativity**: $f(a, b) = f(b, a)$
 - **Associativity**: $f(a, f(b,c)) = f(f(a,b),c)$
 - i is **identity element** if $f(i,x) = f(x,i) = x$
- **Predicate**: function whose range is $\{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$
 - Equivalent to relation over domain
- **Curry function** $\prime: ((A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n) \rightarrow B) \rightarrow ((A_2 \times \dots \times A_n) \rightarrow B)$
 - Where $((f)(a_1)) = g_{a_1}$ where $g_{a_1}(a_2, \dots, a_n) = f(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$

- (p.10). **Graphs**
 - **Vertices** and **edges** as sets
 - **Degree** of a vertex: # of edges from it
 - **Labelled graph**: vertices and/or edges have properties
 - **Subgraph**: subset of vertices and edges
 - **Path, simple path, cycle, simple cycle**
 - **Connected graph**
 - **Tree**
 - **Directed graph**
 - **in-degree, out-degree**
 - **Directed path**
 - **Strongly connected**
 - Graph = binary relation
- (p. 14): **Boolean Logic**
 - Functions with domains and ranges from $\{0, 1\}$
 - And, or, exclusive or, equality, implication

- (p. 13). **Strings and Languages**
 - **Alphabet** = set of **symbols** typically written as Σ
 - **String** over an alphabet: sequence of symbols
 - **Length**: # of symbols in string
 - **Empty string ϵ** : string of no symbols
 - **Reverse** of a string = string with symbols in reverse order
 - **Substring of string w** : string that appears within string w
 - **Concatenate(x,y)**: string x followed by string y , written xy
 - **w^k** = concatenation of string w with itself k times
 - **Kleene operators**: unary operators on a string or set of strings
 - **Kleene Star**: $w^* = \{ \epsilon, w, ww, www, wwww, \dots \}$
 - If W is a set $\{w_1, w_2, \dots\}$, $W^* =$ set of all 0 or more concatenations of strings from W
 - **Kleene Plus**: w^+ or W^+ - same as $*$ but 1 or more times
 - x is a **prefix** of y if $y = xz$ for some z
 - **proper prefix**: z not ϵ
 - **string order**
 - **Lexicographic**: familiar dictionary order
 - **Shortlex or string order**: same as above but short strings first
 - **Language**: set of strings formed in a particular way
 - **Grammar**: set of rules defining the valid strings
 - **Prefix free**: no member is proper prefix of another

- (p.102) **BNF** (Backus Normal Form)
 - Language for describing common grammar rules
 - Set of **substitution rules** (or **productions**)
 - **Nonterminal**: name for a subset of strings that have some particular structure
 - Written as “<” name of nonterminal class “>”
 - E.g. <number>
 - Each **rule** of form “LHS -> RHS”
 - LHS = “left hand side” = name of a nonterminal
 - RHS = “right hand side” = expression on how to concatenate strings in a valid fashion
 - Meaning: if you see a string as defined on right, you can call it a string of type named on left
 - Multiple rules can have same LHS
 - RHS may be > one string expressions separated by “|”
 - Meaning: any of the expressions works
 - A single RHS string expression
 - Concatenation of symbols from alphabet or nonterminals
 - May use Kleene operators * or +
 - Applied to either a string or a nonterminal
 - May be recursive, i.e. may use nonterminal from LHS
 - Example simple sentences: page 103
 - Example simple expressions: page 105

- (p. 17): **Definitions, Theorems, Proofs**

- **Definition**: description of object or set of objects
- **Mathematical Statement**: expresses that some objects have certain properties
- **Proof**: logical argument that a statement is true
- **Theorem**: statement that has been proven true
 - **Lemma**: proved statement used in bigger proof
 - **Corollary**: statement that can be proven easily once some other statement is proven
- (p. 18): composition of statements
 - **Implication**: if P then Q, or “Q if P”, written $P \Rightarrow Q$
 - **Equivalence**: P iff Q, written $P \Leftrightarrow Q$
- **Inferences**: showing that some statement is true from some others
 - **Forward Inference**: given that statement $P \Rightarrow Q$ is true
 - If you can prove statement P is true
 - Then you can say Q is true
 - **Backwards Inference**: given statement $P \Rightarrow Q$
 - If you can prove Q is false
 - Then you can say P must be false
- Examples: p. 18 & p. 20

- P.21. **Proof Types**

- **By construction**: useful in “for all $x \exists y P(x,y)$ ”
 - Demonstrate for any x how to construct the object y
 - Example p. 21, Theorem 0.22
- **By Contradiction**: Want to prove some statement Q is true
 - Assume opposite of desired statement is false and show that this leads to a contradiction
 - And thus assumption that Q is false must be false
 - i.e. Q must be true
 - Also known as **indirect proof**
 - (p.22) prove that $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational
 - Assume opposite, i.e. $\sqrt{2}$ is rational = m/n
 - m and n have no common multiples
 - either m or n must be odd
 - Then $n \cdot \sqrt{2} = m$
 - Then $n^2 2 = m^2$
 - Thus m^2 is even
 - Thus m must be even (square of odd always odd)
 - Thus $m = 2k$, or $n^2 2 = (2k)^2 = 4k^2$
 - Thus $n^2 = 2k^2$
 - Thus n must also be even
 - But then both m and n must be even! Contradiction!
 - Thus $\sqrt{2}$ cannot be rational

- (p.22) **By Induction**: useful to show that *for all* x in some ordered set $X: x_1, \dots, x_k, \dots$ $P(x)$ is true
 - 3 step process
 - **Basis Step**: prove $P(x_1)$ is true
 - **State the Induction Hypothesis**: $P(x_k) \Rightarrow P(x_{k+1})$ for all k
 - i.e. what we are trying to prove is that if we assume $P(x_k)$ is true, then $P(x_{k+1})$ must also be true
 - **Induction Step**: Prove Induction Hypothesis
 - Typically by assuming $P(x_k)$ is true
 - If induction step is proven true
 - And we prove $P(x_1)$ is true
 - Then $P(x_2)$ is true because $P(x_1)$ is
 - Then $P(x_3)$ is true because $P(x_2)$ is
 - Then ...
 - Example $1+2+3+ \dots n = n(n+1)/2$
 - (p. 24) example of mortgage calculation where
 - P = original principal
 - t = number of months of loan
 - P_t = loan remaining after t months
 - M = monthly interest rate percentage + 1
 - Y = monthly mortgage payment