

Discrete Math Cheat Sheet

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Important relations

 $Reflexive: \qquad Shorthand: \ la \subseteq R \ Meaning: \ Every \ element \ is \ related \ to \ itself. \ for \ all \ a \in A, \ aRa \ holds \ (\ R \subseteq \{(a,a) \mid a \in A\}\)$

Transitive: Shorthand: $(R \circ R = R2 \subseteq R)$ Meaning: If $((a, b) \in R)$ and $((b, c) \in R)$, then $((a, c) \in R)$. (aRb and bRc) -> aRc

Symmetric: Shorthand: ($R = R^{-1}$) Meaning: If ($(a, b) \in R$), then ($(b, a) \in R$). When $aRb \iff bRa$

Antisy- Shorthand: $(R \cap R^{-1} \subseteq \{(a, a) \mid a \in A\})$ Meaning: If $((a, b) \in R)$ and $((b, a) \in R)$, then (a = b). (aRb and bRa) -> (a = b) - This

mmetric: does not mean not-symmetric

Equivalence relation is one where Reflexivity, Transitivity, and Symmetry all hold

Cardinality							
Cardinality	Classification	Examples					
Aleph 0	Countably infinite	N	$\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$	$\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$	\mathbb{Z}	Q	$\mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$
Aleph	Uncountably infinite	(0,1)	{0,1}^№	P (ℕ)	\mathbb{R}	$\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$	\mathbb{C}
Finite	Countably finite	if $A = \{1\}, A = 1$	{3,4,5}	{1,2,1000}			

Combinatorics		
Case:	Order matters	Order doesn't matter
With repetition	n^k (case 1)	nCk (case 3)
Without repetition	nPk (case 2)	(k+n-1)C(k) (case 4)

Functions								
Let f,g b	Let f,g be two functions, (f:A -> B) , (g:B -> A)							
Function f	Horizontal line test	Classific- ation	Invert- ibility	G is - inverse of f	Definition	English		
Onto	Hits at least 1 point	Surjective	Right invertible	f∘g=lb	$\{f(a) \mid a \in A\} = B$ every element in range (B) has a source	function that maps one or more elements of A to the same element of B		

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Functions (cont)							
One to One	Hits at most 1 point	Injective	Left Invertible	g∘f= Ia	if a1 != a2 then $f(a1)$!= $f(a2)$ or contrapositive if $f(a1)$ = $f(a2)$ then a1 = a2	function that always maps the distinct element of its domain to the distinct element of its codomain	
Onto and One to One	Hits exactly at 1 point	Bijective	Invertible	$g \circ f =$ la, $f \circ g$ = lb	f ⁻¹ = g	function that is both injective and surjective	
Identity la	Hits exactly at 1 point	Bijective	Invertible	f • la = f = lb • f	f(a) = a	function that always returns the value that was used as its argument, unchanged	

 $(g \circ f)(a) = g(f(a))$ means g composed with f

Set Theory

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

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

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

 $A - B = A \cap B^c = \{x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$

Demorgan's laws:

 $(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$

 $(A \cap B)^c = A^c \cup B^c$

Associativity:

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

Distributivity;

 $\mathsf{A} \cup (\mathsf{B} \cap \mathsf{C}) = (\mathsf{A} \cup \mathsf{B}) \cap (\mathsf{A} \cup \mathsf{C})$

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

Subsets

 $A \subseteq A \cup B = B \cup A$

B⊆A∪B

If $A \subseteq B$, then $A \cup B = B$

 $A \cap B \subseteq A \subseteq A \cup B$

 $B \cap A \subseteq B \subseteq A \cup B$

Cartesian product:

 $A \times B = \{ (a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B \}$

an unordered set of sets of ordered pairs

where a is in A, b is in B

if $A = \{1,2\}$, $B = \{2,3\}$, then $A \times B = \{(1,2)$,

(1,3), (2,2), (2,3)

 $A \times B \neq B \times A \text{ (unless } A = B)$

 $A \cap (A \times B) = \emptyset$

 $|A \times B| = |A| \times |B|$

Distribution:

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

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

Order relation

Partial order If and only if all (Reflexivity, Transitivity, and Anti-symmetry) hold clear hasse diagram can be drawn

Order relation (cont)

items for which the relation doesn't hold will be drawn but not connected to the others in the diagram

Total/Linear order:

Partial order holds

Totality: For any ($a, b \in A$), either ($(a, b) \in$

R) or ((b, a) \in R).

In other words: For any two distinct elements a and b, either a is related to b (a

hasse diagram would be a straight line (all elements relate to one another in this set)

 \leq b), or b is related to a (b \leq a).

Universal Set

Universal Set = U:

for any finite set A

 $U = \{ x \in U \mid x \notin A \}$

 $A^c = U - A$

 $(A_c)_c = A$

 $U^c = \emptyset$

Øc = U

Relations

Relations (cont)

R consists of all pairs in R but with their elements reversed. If (a,b) is in R, then (b,a) is in R⁻¹

Composition of relations:

 $R \circ S = \{ (a, c) \mid \exists \ b : (a, b) \in R \ and \ (b, c) \in S \}$

Set of pairs (a,c) such that exists an element b for which both (a,b) is in R and (b,c) is in S

 $R \circ R = R2$ is a relation composed with itself $(R \circ S) \circ T = R \circ (S \circ T)$ i.e it is associative (but not communitive)

la ∘ R = R

Order relation terms

 $\mathsf{ARB} = (\mathsf{a}, \mathsf{b}) \in \mathsf{R}$ Identity: Ia = (a,a) Ex: $\{(1,1),(2,2),(3,3),\dots\}$ Relation on set itself: $R \subseteq A \times A$ ARA is another way to write it too. Empty relation when $R = \emptyset$ implies that the relation R is empty, meaning it does not hold between any two pairs. It's essentially a relation with no elements.

Complete relation when $R = A \times B$ implies that the relation R contains all possible pairs that can be formed by taking one element from set A and one element from set B. It's a relation where every element of A is related to every element of В.

Inverse relation is R^{-1} = { (b, a) | (a, b) $\in R$ }

Minimal	An element a is minimal if there is no b such that b precedes a.	Elements with nothing less than them (no predec- essors)
Minimum	An element a is a minimum if for all b, a precedes b	Element that is less than everything else (either a set has 1 minimum or no minimum element)
Maximal	An element a is maximal if there is no b such that a precedes b	follows from minimal (with greater than)
Maximum	An element a is a maximum if for all b, b precedes a	follows from minimum (with greater than)

Power sets

The power set of A is denoted as P(A) or 2A

 $A\in P(A),\,\varnothing\in P(A)$

If |A| = n, then |P(A)| = 2n

|P(A)| = 2|A|

If $A = \emptyset$, then $P(A) = \{\emptyset\}$

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Power sets (cont)

If $A = \{1,2\}$, then $P(A) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{1, 2\}\}$ |A| < |P(A)|

Power set proofs

 $P(A) \cap P(B) = P(A \cap B)$

element in $P(A) \cap P(B)$. By definition of intersection, X belongs to both P(A) and P(B). This implies X is a subset of both A and B. Consequently, X is also a subset of their intersection, $A \cap \Box$. Thus, X is an element of $P(A \cap \Box \Box)$. Therefore, $P(A) \cap P(B) \subseteq P(A \cap B)$.

Forward Inclusion: Let *X* be an arbitrary

Reverse Inclusion: Let Y be an arbitrary element in $P(A \cap B)$. By definition, \square \square is a subset of $A \cap B$, hence a subset of both A and B. Consequently, Y belongs to both P(A) and P(B). Thus, Y is an element of $P(A) \cap \square$ $\square(B)$. Therefore, $P(A \cap B) \subseteq P(A) \cap$

Conclusion: Combining both directions of inclusion, we've demonstrated that P(A) $\cap P(B) \subseteq P(A \cap B)$ and $P(A \cap \Box \Box) \subseteq P(A) \cap P(B)$, implying $P(A) \cap P(B) = P(A \cap B)$. Thus, the equality holds

 $\mathsf{P}(\mathsf{A}) \cup \mathsf{P}(\mathsf{B}) \neq \mathsf{P}(\mathsf{A} \cup \mathsf{B})$

P(B).

Example of why these aren't equal: $A = \{1\}, B = \{2\}, A \cup B = \{1,2\} \Rightarrow P(A \cup B) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{1,2\}\}$

 $P(A) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}\}, P(B) = \{\emptyset, \{2\}\} \Longrightarrow P(A) \cup P(B) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}\}$

More combinatorics

number of ways to place k balls in n boxes.

P = permutation

C = combination

Order matters = sequence of choices

More combinatorics (cont)

Order doesn't matter = if we picked ball 1 then ball 2... it would be equivalent to picking ball 2 then ball 1

With replacement = same item can be picked several times

Without replacement= each item is chosen at most, 1 time

Case 1

K times out of n objects Number of functions from A to B |A| = K, |B| = nif A has 3 elements, and B has 5...

if A has 3 elements, and B has 5... we would get 5^A3 total functions that can be defined

Case 2

K unique balls in n small boxes (can only fit 1 item in each box)

number of one to one functions from A to B

Case 3

K identical balls in n small boxes Binomial coefficients

Case 4

Bars and stars

K identical balls in n numbered boxes (but each box can hold >= 0 balls)

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