

CSE 321 Discrete Structures

Winter 2008
Lecture 7
Set Theory and Operations

Announcements

- Reading for this week
 - Today: 2.1, 2.2 (5th Edition: 1.6, 1.7)
 - Thursday: 2.3 (5th Edition: 1.8)
 - Friday: 3.4, 3.5 (5th Edition: 2.4, 2.5)
- Homework 3
 - Due Wednesday, January 30
 - Note: problems are not necessarily of the same degree of difficulty

Highlights from Lecture 6

- Direct Proofs
- Chomp!
- Challenges
 - Develop optimal strategy for 6×8 Chomp!
 - Create a Chomp! program that uses an optimal algorithm
 - Generalizations of Chomp!

Set Theory

- Formal treatment dates from late 19th century
- Direct ties between set theory and logic
- Important foundational language

Definition: A set is an unordered collection of objects

Definitions

- A and B are *equal* if they have the same elements

$$A = B \equiv \forall x (x \in A \leftrightarrow x \in B)$$

- A is a *subset* of B if every element of A is also in B

$$A \subseteq B \equiv \forall x (x \in A \rightarrow x \in B)$$

Empty Set and Power Set

Cartesian Product : $A \times B$

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

Set operations

$$A \cup B = \{ x \mid x \in A \vee x \in B \}$$

$$A \cap B = \{ x \mid x \in A \wedge x \in B \}$$

$$A - B = \{ x \mid x \in A \wedge x \notin B \}$$

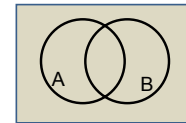
$$A \oplus B = \{ x \mid x \in A \oplus x \in B \}$$

$$\bar{A} = \{ x \mid x \notin A \}$$

De Morgan's Laws

$$\overline{A \cap B} = \bar{A} \cup \bar{B}$$

$$\overline{A \cup B} = \bar{A} \cap \bar{B}$$

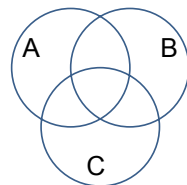
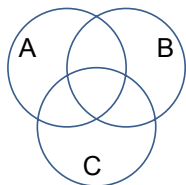


Proof technique:
To show $C = D$ show
 $x \in C \rightarrow x \in D$ and
 $x \in D \rightarrow x \in C$

Distributive Laws

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

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



Russell's Paradox

$$S = \{ x \mid x \notin x \}$$