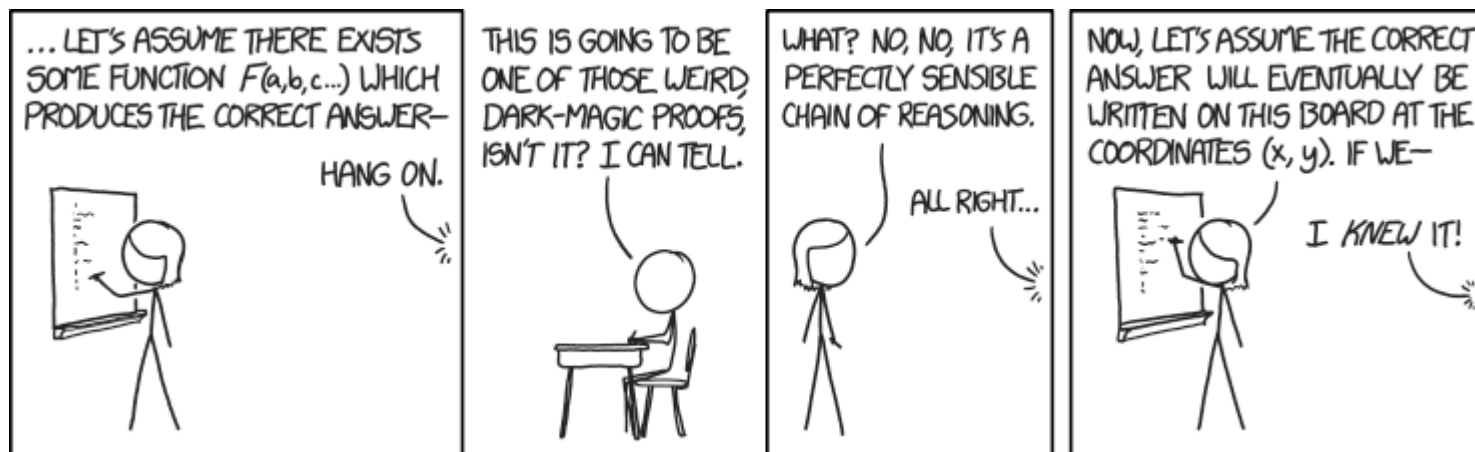


# CSE 311: Foundations of Computing

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## Lecture 9: English Proofs, Strategies, Set Theory



# Last class: Inference Rules for Quantifiers

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$$\boxed{\text{Intro } \exists} \frac{P(c) \text{ for some } c}{\therefore \exists x P(x)}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Elim } \forall} \frac{\forall x P(x)}{\therefore P(a) \text{ for any } a}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Intro } \forall} \frac{\text{“Let } a \text{ be arbitrary”}^* \dots P(a)}{\therefore \forall x P(x)}$$

\* in the domain of P. No other name in P depends on a

$$\boxed{\text{Elim } \exists} \frac{\exists x P(x)}{\therefore P(c) \text{ for some } \textit{special}^{**} c}$$

\*\* c is a NEW name.  
List all dependencies for c.

# Last class: Even and Odd

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Even(x)  $\equiv \exists y (x=2y)$   
Odd(x)  $\equiv \exists y (x=2y+1)$   
Domain: Integers

Prove: “The square of every even number is even.”

Formal proof of:  $\forall x (\text{Even}(x) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x^2))$

1. Let **a** be an arbitrary integer
  - 2.1 **Even(a)** Assumption
  - 2.2  $\exists y (a = 2y)$  Definition of Even
  - 2.3 **a = 2b** Elim  $\exists$ : **b** special depends on **a**
  - 2.4 **a<sup>2</sup> = 4b<sup>2</sup> = 2(2b<sup>2</sup>)** Algebra
  - 2.5  $\exists y (a^2 = 2y)$  Intro  $\exists$  rule
  - 2.6 **Even(a<sup>2</sup>)** Definition of Even
2. **Even(a)  $\rightarrow$  Even(a<sup>2</sup>)** Direct proof rule
3.  $\forall x (\text{Even}(x) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x^2))$  Intro  $\forall$ : 1,2

# Last Class: Even and Odd

Even( $x$ )  $\equiv \exists y (x=2y)$   
Odd( $x$ )  $\equiv \exists y (x=2y+1)$   
Domain: Integers

Prove “The square of every even integer is even.”

Proof: Let  $a$  be an arbitrary even integer.

1. Let  $a$  be an arbitrary integer  
2.1  $\text{Even}(a)$  Assumption

Then, by definition,  $a = 2b$  for some integer  $b$  (depending on  $a$ ).

2.2  $\exists y (a = 2y)$  Definition  
2.3  $a = 2b$   $b$  special depends on  $a$

Squaring both sides, we get  $a^2 = 4b^2 = 2(2b^2)$ .

2.4  $a^2 = 4b^2 = 2(2b^2)$  Algebra

Since  $2b^2$  is an integer, by definition,  $a^2$  is even.

2.5  $\exists y (a^2 = 2y)$   
2.6  $\text{Even}(a^2)$  Definition

Since  $a$  was arbitrary, it follows that the square of every even number is even. ■

2.  $\text{Even}(a) \rightarrow \text{Even}(a^2)$   
3.  $\forall x (\text{Even}(x) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x^2))$

# Proofs

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- **Formal proofs follow simple well-defined rules and should be easy for a machine to check**
  - as assembly language is easy for a machine to execute
- **English proofs correspond to those rules but are designed to be easier for humans to read**
  - also easy to check with practice  
(almost all actual math and theory in CS is done this way)
  - **English proof is correct if the reader believes they could translate it into a formal proof**  
(the reader is the “compiler” for English proofs)

# Even and Odd

## Predicate Definitions

$\text{Even}(x) \equiv \exists y (x = 2y)$

$\text{Odd}(x) \equiv \exists y (x = 2y + 1)$

## Domain of Discourse

Integers

Prove “The sum of two odd numbers is even.”

Formally, prove  $\forall x \forall y ((\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(y)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x+y))$

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Let  $x$  and  $y$  be arbitrary integers.

*I suppose that  $x$  and  $y$  are odd*

1. Let  $x$  be an arbitrary integer

2. Let  $y$  be an arbitrary integer

*3.  $\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(y)$  Assumption*

*3.  $\text{Even}(x+y)$*

*$\therefore x+y$  is even*

Since  $x$  and  $y$  were arbitrary, the sum of ~~any~~ *two* odd integers is even.

3.  $(\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(y)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x+y)$

4.  $\forall v ((\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(v)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x+v))$  Intro  $\forall$

5.  $\forall u \forall v ((\text{Odd}(u) \wedge \text{Odd}(v)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(u+v))$  Intro  $\forall$

# Even and Odd

## Predicate Definitions

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Integers

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Formally, prove  $\forall x \forall y ((\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(y)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x+y))$

Let  $x$  and  $y$  be arbitrary integers.

Suppose that both are odd.

so  $x+y$  is even.

Since  $x$  and  $y$  were arbitrary, the sum of any odd integers is even.

1. Let  $x$  be an arbitrary integer

2. Let  $y$  be an arbitrary integer

3.1  $\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(y)$  Assumption

3.9  $\text{Even}(x+y)$

3.  $(\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(y)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x+y)$  Direct Proof

4.  $\forall v ((\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(v)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x+v))$  Intro  $\forall$

5.  $\forall u \forall v ((\text{Odd}(u) \wedge \text{Odd}(v)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(u+v))$  Intro  $\forall$

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$\text{Even}(x) \equiv \exists y (x = 2y)$

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## Domain of Discourse

Integers

Prove “The sum of two odd numbers is even.”

Formally, prove  $\forall x \forall y ((\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(y)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x+y))$

Let  $x$  and  $y$  be arbitrary integers.

Suppose that both are odd.

$\therefore x = 2a + 1$  for some integer  $a$  (depends on  $x$ )  
 $y = 2b + 1$  for some integer  $b$  (depends on  $y$ )

so  $x+y$  is even.

Since  $x$  and  $y$  were arbitrary, the sum of any odd integers is even.

1. Let  $x$  be an arbitrary integer

2. Let  $y$  be an arbitrary integer

3.1  $\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(y)$  Assumption

3.2  $\text{Odd}(x)$  Elim  $\wedge$ : 2.1

3.3  $\text{Odd}(y)$  Elim  $\wedge$ : 2.1

$\exists z (x = 2z + 1)$  def

$\exists z (y = 2z + 1)$  def

$x = 2a + 1$  Elim  $\exists$

$y = 2b + 1$  Elim  $\exists$

$x+y = 2a+1+2b+1 = 2(a+b+1)$

$\therefore \text{Even}(x+y)$  def

3.  $(\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(y)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x+y)$

4.  $\forall v ((\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(v)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x+v))$  Intro  $\forall$

5.  $\forall u \forall v ((\text{Odd}(u) \wedge \text{Odd}(v)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(u+v))$  Intro  $\forall$

# English Proof: Even and Odd

Even( $x$ )  $\equiv \exists y (x=2y)$   
Odd( $x$ )  $\equiv \exists y (x=2y+1)$   
Domain: Integers

Prove “The sum of two odd numbers is even.”

Let  $x$  and  $y$  be arbitrary integers.

1. Let  $x$  be an arbitrary integer
2. Let  $y$  be an arbitrary integer

Suppose that both are odd.

- 3.1 Odd( $x$ )  $\wedge$  Odd( $y$ ) Assumption
- 3.2 Odd( $x$ ) Elim  $\wedge$ : 2.1
- 3.3 Odd( $y$ ) Elim  $\wedge$ : 2.1

Then,  $x = 2a+1$  for some integer  $a$  (depending on  $x$ ) and  
 $y = 2b+1$  for some integer  $b$  (depending on  $x$ ).

- 3.4  $\exists z (x = 2z+1)$  Def of Odd: 2.2
- 3.5  $x = 2a+1$  Elim  $\exists$ : 2.4 ( $a$  dep  $x$ )
- 3.6  $\exists z (y = 2z+1)$  Def of Odd: 2.3
- 3.7  $y = 2b+1$  Elim  $\exists$ : 2.5 ( $b$  dep  $y$ )

$$\therefore x+y = 2a+1+2b+1 = 2(a+b+1)$$

$$3.8 \quad x+y = 2a+1+2b+1 = 2(a+b+1)$$

so  $x+y$  is, by definition, even.

- 3.9  $\exists z (x+y = 2z)$  Intro  $\exists$ : 3.8
- 3.10 Even( $x+y$ ) Def of Even

Since  $x$  and  $y$  were arbitrary, the sum of any odd integers is even.

3. (Odd( $x$ )  $\wedge$  Odd( $y$ ))  $\rightarrow$  Even( $x+y$ )
4.  $\forall v ((\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(v)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x+v))$  Intro  $\forall$
5.  $\forall u \forall v ((\text{Odd}(u) \wedge \text{Odd}(v)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(u+v))$  Intro  $\forall$

# English Proof: Even and Odd

$\text{Even}(x) \equiv \exists y (x=2y)$

$\text{Odd}(x) \equiv \exists y (x=2y+1)$

Domain: Integers

Prove “The sum of two odd numbers is even.”

Let  $x$  and  $y$  be arbitrary integers.

1. Let  $x$  be an arbitrary integer

2. Let  $y$  be an arbitrary integer

Suppose that both are odd.

3.1  $\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(y)$  Assumption

3.2  $\text{Odd}(x)$  Elim  $\wedge$ : 2.1

3.3  $\text{Odd}(y)$  Elim  $\wedge$ : 2.1

Then,  $x = 2a+1$  for some integer  $a$  (depending on  $x$ ) and  
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3.7  $y = 2b+1$  Elim  $\exists$ : 2.5 ( $b$  dep  $y$ )

Their sum is  $x+y = \dots = 2(a+b+1)$

3.8  $x+y = 2(a+b+1)$  Algebra

so  $x+y$  is, by definition, even.

3.9  $\exists z (x+y = 2z)$  Intro  $\exists$ : 2.4

3.10  $\text{Even}(x+y)$  Def of Even

Since  $x$  and  $y$  were arbitrary, the sum of any odd integers is even.

3.  $(\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(y)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x+y)$

4.  $\forall v ((\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(v)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x+v))$  Intro  $\forall$

5.  $\forall u \forall v ((\text{Odd}(u) \wedge \text{Odd}(v)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(u+v))$  Intro  $\forall$

# Even and Odd

## Predicate Definitions

$$\text{Even}(x) \equiv \exists y (x = 2y)$$

$$\text{Odd}(x) \equiv \exists y (x = 2y + 1)$$

## Domain of Discourse

Integers

**Prove “The sum of two odd numbers is even.”**

**Proof:** Let  $x$  and  $y$  be arbitrary integers.

Suppose that both are odd. Then,  $x = 2a+1$  for some integer  $a$  (depending on  $x$ ) and  $y = 2b+1$  for some integer  $b$  (depending on  $x$ ). Their sum is  $x+y = (2a+1) + (2b+1) = 2a+2b+2 = 2(a+b+1)$ , so  $x+y$  is, by definition, even.

Since  $x$  and  $y$  were arbitrary, the sum of any two odd integers is even.



# Even and Odd

## Predicate Definitions

$$\text{Even}(x) \equiv \exists y (x = 2y)$$

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## Domain of Discourse

Integers

Prove “The sum of two odd numbers is even.”

**Proof:** Let  $x$  and  $y$  be arbitrary **odd** integers.

Then,  $x = 2a+1$  for some integer  $a$  (depending on  $x$ ) and  $y = 2b+1$  for some integer  $b$  (depending on  $x$ ). Their sum is  $x+y = (2a+1) + (2b+1) = 2a+2b+2 = 2(a+b+1)$ , so  $x+y$  is, by definition, even.

Since  $x$  and  $y$  were arbitrary, the sum of any two odd integers is even. ■

$$\forall x \forall y ((\text{Odd}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(y)) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x+y))$$

# Proof Strategies: Counterexamples

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To *disprove*  $\forall x P(x)$  prove  $\exists x \neg P(x)$  :

- Works by de Morgan's Law:  $\neg \forall x P(x) \equiv \exists x \neg P(x)$
- All we need to do that is find an  $x$  for which  $P(x)$  is false
- This example is called a *counterexample* to  $\forall x P(x)$ .

e.g. Disprove “Every prime number is odd”

$$\begin{aligned} & \neg \forall x ( \text{prime}(x) \rightarrow \text{odd}(x) ) \\ \equiv & \exists x ( \text{prime}(x) \wedge \neg \text{odd}(x) ) \\ & \text{prime}(2) \wedge \neg \text{odd}(2) \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$



# Proof Strategies: Proof by Contrapositive

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If we assume  $\neg q$  and derive  $\neg p$ , then we have proven  $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ , which is equivalent to proving  $p \rightarrow q$ .

1.1.  $\neg q$       Assumption

...

1.3.  $\neg p$

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|----|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. | $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ | Direct Proof Rule |
| 2. | $p \rightarrow q$           | Contrapositive: 1 |

## Proof by Contradiction: One way to prove $\neg p$

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If we assume  $p$  and derive  $F$  (a contradiction), then we have proven  $\neg p$ .

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- 1.1.  $p$  Assumption
- ...
- 1.3.  $F$
1.  $p \rightarrow F$  Direct Proof rule
2.  $\neg p \vee F$  Law of Implication: 1
3.  $\neg p$  Identity: 2

# Even and Odd

## Predicate Definitions

$$\text{Even}(x) \equiv \exists y (x = 2y)$$

$$\text{Odd}(x) \equiv \exists y (x = 2y + 1)$$

## Domain of Discourse

Integers

Prove: "No integer is both even and odd."

English proof:  $\neg \exists x (\text{Even}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(x))$  ? p

$$\equiv \forall x \neg (\text{Even}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(x))$$

Proof by contradiction:

Suppose that integer  $x$  is both even and odd

$\therefore x = 2a$  and  $x = 2b + 1$  for integers  $a$  and  $b$  depending on  $x$ .

$\therefore 2a = 2b + 1 \quad \therefore a = b + \frac{1}{2}$

But a contradiction since no two integers differ by  $\frac{1}{2}$

$\therefore$  No integer is both odd and even

# Even and Odd

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## Domain of Discourse

Integers

Prove: “No integer is both even and odd.”

English proof:  $\neg \exists x (\text{Even}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(x))$   
 $\equiv \forall x \neg (\text{Even}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(x))$

**Proof:** We work by contradiction. Let  $x$  be an arbitrary integer and suppose that it is both even and odd.

Then  $x=2a$  for some integer  $a$  and  $x=2b+1$  for some integer  $b$ . Therefore  $2a=2b+1$  and hence  $a=b+\frac{1}{2}$ .

But two integers cannot differ by  $\frac{1}{2}$  so this is a contradiction. So, no integer is both even and odd. ■

# Rationality

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Domain of Discourse
Real Numbers

- A real number  $x$  is *rational* iff there exist integers  $p$  and  $q$  with  $q \neq 0$  such that  $x = p/q$ .

$$\text{Rational}(x) := \exists p \exists q (((\text{Integer}(p) \wedge \text{Integer}(q)) \wedge (x = p/q)) \wedge q \neq 0)$$

# Rationality

Domain of Discourse

Real Numbers

## Predicate Definitions

$\text{Rational}(x) := \exists p \exists q (\text{Integer}(p) \wedge \text{Integer}(q) \wedge (x = p/q) \wedge (q \neq 0))$

**Prove: “The product of two rational numbers is rational.”**

**Formally, prove  $\forall x \forall y ((\text{Rational}(x) \wedge \text{Rational}(y)) \rightarrow \text{Rational}(xy))$**

# Rationality

Domain of Discourse

Real Numbers

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$\text{Rational}(x) := \exists p \exists q (\text{Integer}(p) \wedge \text{Integer}(q) \wedge (x = p/q) \wedge (q \neq 0))$

**Prove:** “The product of two rational numbers is rational.”

**Proof:** Let  $x$  and  $y$  be arbitrary rational numbers.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore x &= a/b \text{ for integers } a, b, b \neq 0 \quad (\text{depends on } x) \\ y &= c/d \text{ for integers } c, d, d \neq 0 \quad (\text{on } y) \\ \therefore xy &= (a/b)(c/d) = \frac{ac}{bd} \\ &\quad \text{ac, bd integers, } bd \neq 0 \\ \therefore xy &\text{ is rational} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $x$  and  $y$  were arbitrary, we have shown that the product of any two rationals is rational. ■

# Rationality

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**Prove: “The product of two rational numbers is rational.”**

**Proof:** Let  $x$  and  $y$  be arbitrary rational numbers.

Then,  $x = a/b$  for some integers  $a, b$ , where  $b \neq 0$ , and  $y = c/d$  for some integers  $c, d$ , where  $d \neq 0$ .

Multiplying, we get  $xy = (a/b)(c/d) = (ac)/(bd)$ .

Since  $b$  and  $d$  are both non-zero, so is  $bd$ . Furthermore,  $ac$  and  $bd$  are integers. So, by definition,  $xy$  is rational.

Since  $x$  and  $y$  were arbitrary, we have shown that the product of any two rationals is rational. ■



# Strategies

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- Simple proof strategies already do a lot
  - counter examples
  - proof by contrapositive
  - proof by contradiction
- Later we will cover a specific strategy that applies to loops and recursion (mathematical induction)

# Applications of Predicate Logic

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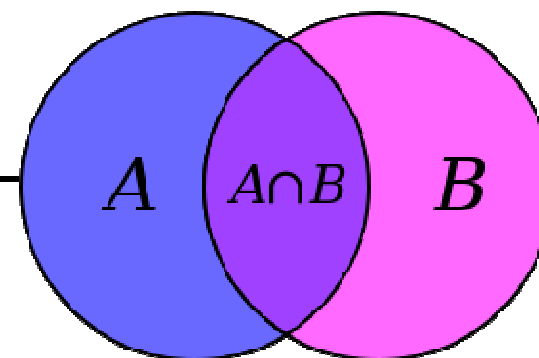
- Remainder of the course will use predicate logic to prove important properties of interesting objects
  - start with math objects that are widely used in CS
  - eventually more CS-specific objects
- Encode domain knowledge in predicate definitions
- Then apply predicate logic to infer useful results

Domain of Discourse
Integers

Predicate Definitions
$\text{Even}(x) \equiv \exists y (x = 2 \cdot y)$
$\text{Odd}(x) \equiv \exists y (x = 2 \cdot y + 1)$

# Set Theory

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Sets are collections of objects called **elements**.

Write  $a \in B$  to say that  $a$  is an element of set  $B$ ,  
and  $a \notin B$  to say that it is not.

Some simple examples

$$A = \{1\}$$

$$B = \{1, 3, 2\}$$

$$C = \{\square, 1\}$$

$$D = \{\{17\}, 17\}$$

$$E = \{1, 2, 7, \text{cat}, \text{dog}, \emptyset, \alpha\}$$

## Some Common Sets

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$\mathbb{N}$  is the set of **Natural Numbers**;  $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

$\mathbb{Z}$  is the set of **Integers**;  $\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

$\mathbb{Q}$  is the set of **Rational Numbers**; e.g.  $\frac{1}{2}$ , -17,  $\frac{32}{48}$

$\mathbb{R}$  is the set of **Real Numbers**; e.g. 1, -17,  $\frac{32}{48}$ ,  $\pi$ ,  $\sqrt{2}$

$[n]$  is the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  when  $n$  is a natural number

$\{\} = \emptyset$  is the **empty set**; the *only* set with no elements


$[n] \quad \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

# Sets can be elements of other sets

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For example

$$A = \{\{1\}, \{2\}, \{1, 2\}, \emptyset\}$$

$$B = \{1, 2\}$$


Then  $B \in A$ .

# Definitions

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- 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

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

*A ⊂ B means A ⊆ B but A ≠ B*

- Note:  $(A = B) \equiv (A \subseteq B) \wedge (B \subseteq A)$

## Definition: Equality

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

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

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$B = \{3, 4, 5\}$$

$$C = \{3, 4\}$$

$$D = \{4, 3, 3\}$$

$$E = \{3, 4, 3\}$$

$$F = \{4, \{3\}\}$$

$$C = D = E$$

Which sets are equal to each other?

# Definition: Subset

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

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

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$B = \{3, 4, 5\}$$

$$C = \{3, 4\}$$

## QUESTIONS

$$\emptyset \subseteq A?$$



$$A \subseteq B?$$



$$C \subseteq B?$$





# Building Sets from Predicates

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$S$  = the set of all\*  $x$  for which  $P(x)$  is true

$$S = \{x : P(x)\}$$

$S$  = the set of all  $x$  in  $A$  for which  $P(x)$  is true

$$S = \{x \in A : P(x)\}$$

$\Leftarrow$   $\$$

$$= \{x : P(x) \wedge x \in A\}$$

\*in the domain of  $P$ , usually called the “universe”  $U$

# Set Operations

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$$A \cup B = \{ x : (x \in A) \vee (x \in B) \} \quad \text{Union}$$

$$A \cap B = \{ x : (x \in A) \wedge (x \in B) \} \quad \text{Intersection}$$

$$A \setminus B = \{ x : (x \in A) \wedge (x \notin B) \} \quad \text{Set Difference}$$

$$\overline{A} = \{ x : x \notin A \}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \{1, 2, 3\} \\ B &= \{3, 5, 6\} \\ C &= \{3, 4\} \end{aligned}$$

## QUESTIONS

Using A, B, C and set operations, make...

$$\{6\} = A \cup B \cup C$$

$$\{3\} = A \cap B = A \cap C$$

$$\{1, 2\} = A \setminus B = A \setminus C$$

# More Set Operations

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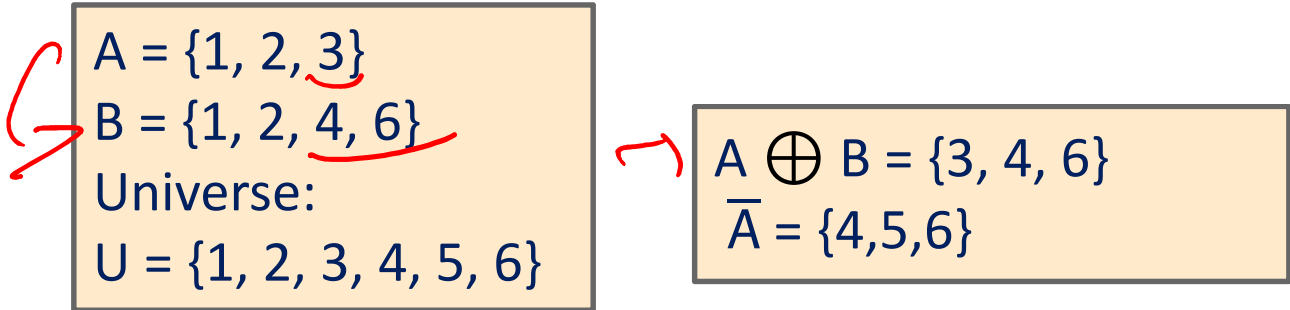
$$A \oplus B = \{ x : (x \in A) \oplus (x \in B) \}$$

Symmetric  
Difference

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

(with respect to universe U)

Complement


$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$B = \{1, 2, 4, 6\}$$

Universe:

$$U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$A \oplus B = \{3, 4, 6\}$$

$$\bar{A} = \{4, 5, 6\}$$

## It's Boolean algebra again

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- Definition for  $\cup$  based on  $\vee$

$$A \cup B = \{ x : (x \in A) \vee (x \in B) \}$$

- Definition for  $\cap$  based on  $\wedge$

$$A \cap B = \{ x : (x \in A) \wedge (x \in B) \}$$

- Complement works like  $\neg$

$$\bar{A} = \{ x : \neg(x \in A) \}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\Leftrightarrow \emptyset \\ 1 &\Leftrightarrow U \end{aligned}$$

# De Morgan's Laws

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

$$\begin{aligned} (x \in \overline{A \cup B}) &\equiv x \notin A \cup B \\ &\equiv \neg (x \in A \vee x \in B) \\ &\equiv \neg(x \in A) \wedge \neg(x \in B) \\ &\equiv x \notin A \wedge x \notin B \\ &\equiv x \in \bar{A} \wedge x \in \bar{B} \\ &\equiv x \in \bar{A} \cap \bar{B} \end{aligned}$$

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Proof technique:

To show  $C = D$  show

$x \in C \rightarrow x \in D$  and

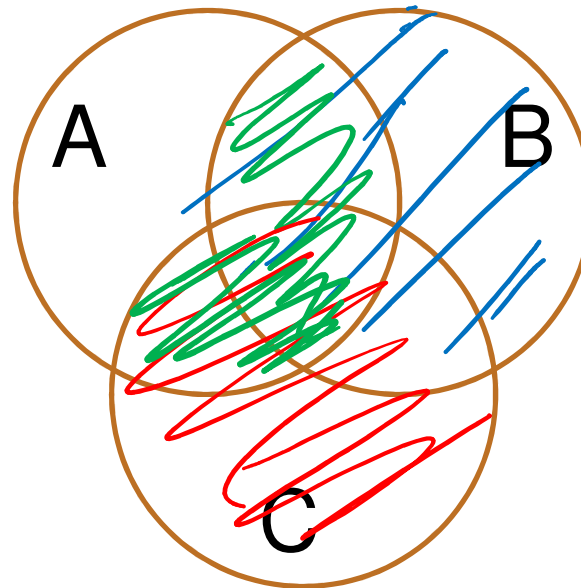
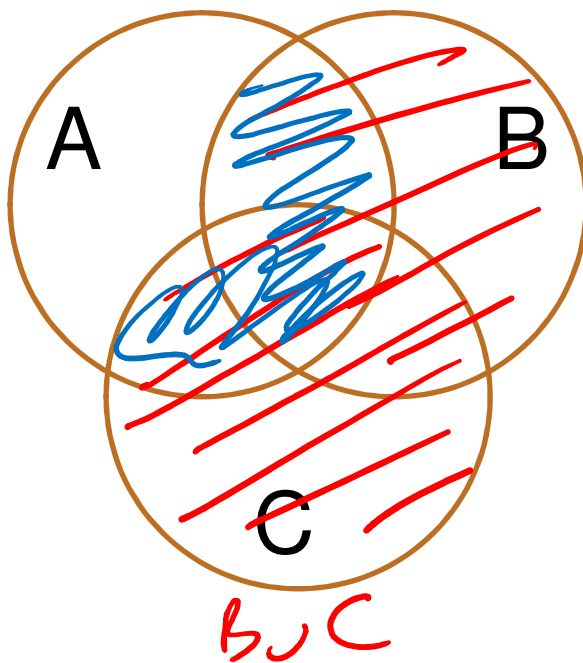
$x \in D \rightarrow x \in C$

# Distributive Laws

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

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



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**Proof:** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be arbitrary sets and  $x$  be an arbitrary element of  $A \cap B$ .

Then, by definition of  $A \cap B$ ,  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B$ .

It follows that  $x \in A$ , as required. ■



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$$\mathcal{P}(\text{Days}) = \{ \{M, W, F\}, \{M, W\}, \{M, F\}, \{W, F\}, \{M\}, \{W\}, \{F\}, \emptyset \}$$

$$\mathcal{P}(\emptyset) = \{ \emptyset \} \neq \emptyset$$

# Cartesian Product

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

$\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  is the real plane. You've seen ordered pairs before.

These are just for arbitrary sets.

$\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  is “the set of all pairs of integers”

If  $A = \{1, 2\}$ ,  $B = \{a, b, c\}$ , then  $A \times B = \{(1,a), (1,b), (1,c), (2,a), (2,b), (2,c)\}$ .

$$A \times \emptyset = \{(a, b) : a \in A \wedge b \in \emptyset\} = \{(a, b) : a \in A \wedge \mathbf{F}\} = \emptyset$$

# Representing Sets Using Bits

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- Suppose universe  $U$  is  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$
- Can represent set  $B \subseteq U$  as a vector of bits:  
 $b_1 b_2 \dots b_n$  where  $b_i = 1$  when  $i \in B$   
 $b_i = 0$  when  $i \notin B$ 
  - Called the *characteristic vector* of set  $B$
- Given characteristic vectors for  $A$  and  $B$ 
  - What is characteristic vector for  $A \cup B$ ?  $A \cap B$ ?

# UNIX/Linux File Permissions

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- `ls -l`

`drwxr-xr-x ... Documents/`

`-rw-r--r-- ... file1`

- Permissions maintained as bit vectors
  - Letter means bit is 1
  - “-” means bit is 0.

# Bitwise Operations

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$$\begin{array}{r} 01101101 \\ \vee \ 00110111 \\ \hline 01111111 \end{array}$$

Java:  $z = x \mid y$

$$\begin{array}{r} 00101010 \\ \wedge \ 00001111 \\ \hline 00001010 \end{array}$$

Java:  $z = x \& y$

$$\begin{array}{r} 01101101 \\ \oplus \ 00110111 \\ \hline 01011010 \end{array}$$

Java:  $z = x \wedge y$

## A Useful Identity

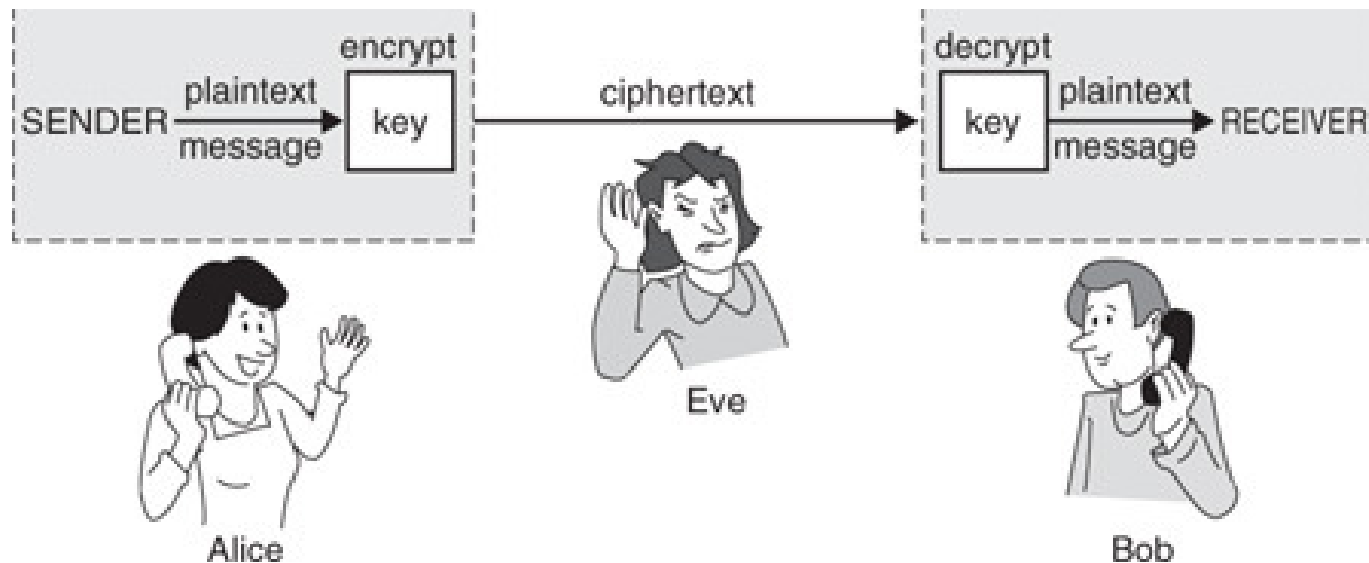
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- If  $x$  and  $y$  are bits:  $(x \oplus y) \oplus y = ?$
- What if  $x$  and  $y$  are bit-vectors?

# Private Key Cryptography

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- Alice wants to communicate message secretly to Bob so that eavesdropper Eve who hears their conversation cannot tell what Alice's message is.
- Alice and Bob can get together and privately share a secret key **K** ahead of time.





# One-Time Pad

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- **Alice and Bob privately share random n-bit vector  $K$** 
  - Eve does not know  $K$
- **Later, Alice has n-bit message  $m$  to send to Bob**
  - Alice computes  $C = m \oplus K$
  - Alice sends  $C$  to Bob
  - Bob computes  $m = C \oplus K$  which is  $(m \oplus K) \oplus K$
- **Eve cannot figure out  $m$  from  $C$  unless she can guess  $K$**



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This is reminiscent of the truth value of the statement “This statement is false.”