



CIT 5920

Recitation I

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Overview for Today

- Logistics
- Brief review
- Question 1 (3 minutes)
- Question 2 (3 minutes)
- Question 3 (3 minutes)
- Question 4 (6 minutes)
- Question 5 (6 minutes)
- Question 6 (6 minutes)
- Question 7 (5 minutes)
- Question 8 (5 minutes)

Logistics

- TA Office Hours are still TBD
 - PLEASE FILL OUT **WHEN2MEET** BY END OF DAY
- Canvas is now live!
- First homework will be released this evening

New notions

- Cartesian product
- Powerset
- Cardinality

Question 1a

What is $\mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$?

What is $\mathbb{Q} \cap \mathbb{Z}$?

Answer 1

\mathbb{R} = Real numbers

\mathbb{I} = Imaginary numbers

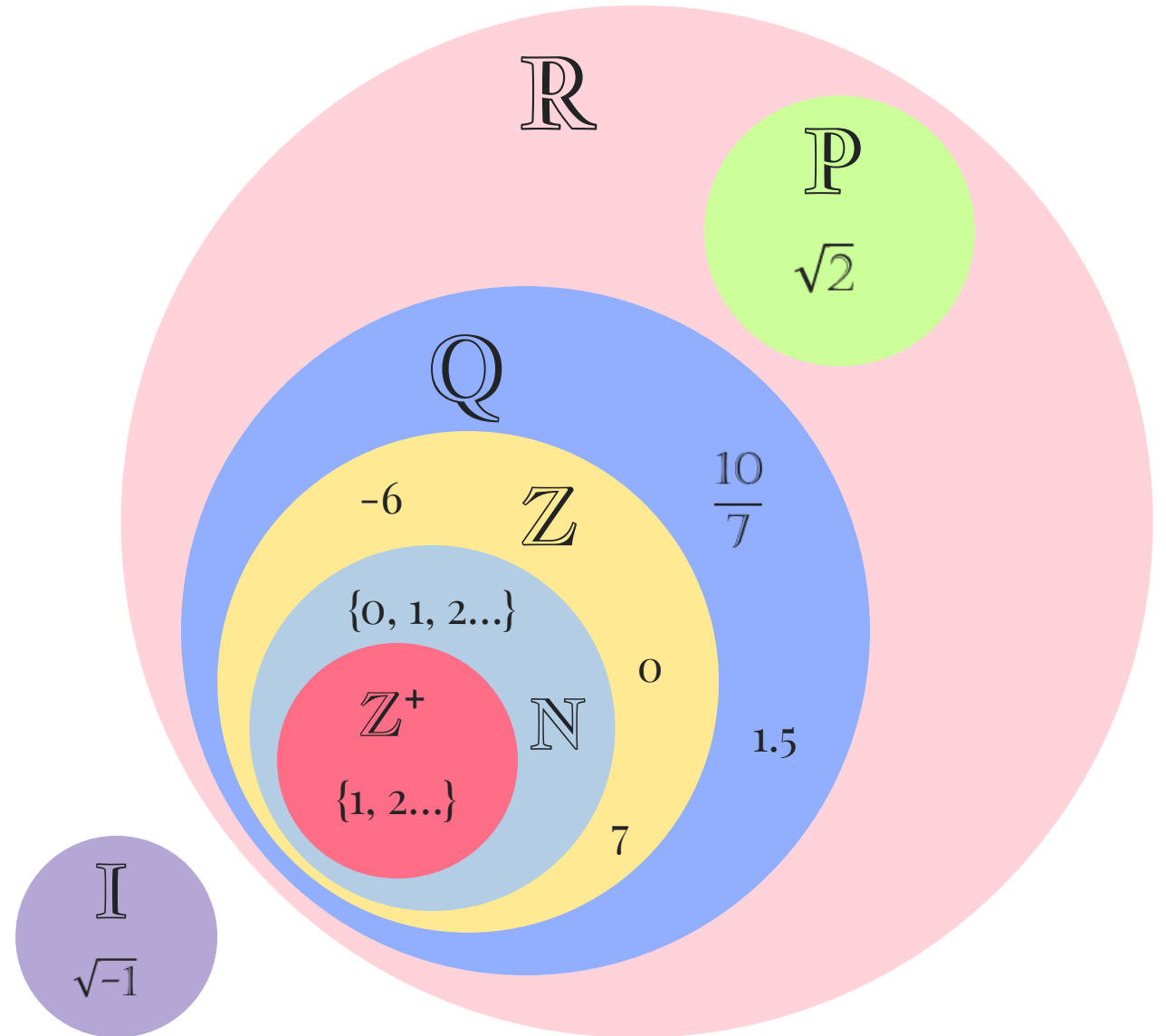
\mathbb{Q} = Rational numbers

\mathbb{P} = Irrational numbers

\mathbb{Z} = Integers

\mathbb{W} = Whole numbers

\mathbb{N} = Natural numbers



Answer 1 (cont.)

What is $\mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$?

Solution: \mathbb{P} (irrationals)

What is $\mathbb{Q} \cap \mathbb{Z}$?

Solution: \mathbb{Z}

Cartesian product

$A \times B$, called the cartesian product of A and B consists of ordered pairs of the form (a,b) where $a \in A$ and $b \in B$.

Set A

2
5

Set B

x
y

$A \times B =$

(2,x)
(2,y)
(5,x)
(5,y)

Question 1b (a bit harder with new stuff)

What is $A \times B$ when $A = \{a, b, c\}$ and $B = \{3, 5\}$

What is $\mathbb{R} \times \emptyset$?

Answer 1 (cont.)

$$A \times B = \{(a,3) , (a,5) , (b,3), (b,5), (c,3), (c,5)\}$$

What is $\mathbb{R} \times \emptyset$?

Solution: \emptyset

Cardinality

The number of elements in a finite set is called the cardinality of that set. A is a set, the cardinality is denoted by $|A|$.

Ex: $A = \{1, \{3, 4, 5\}, 5\}$. $|A| = 3$

Power Sets

The power set of a set A is the set of all subsets of A and is denoted $P(A)$.

Remember: $P(A)$ always include both the empty set and A itself.

$$\text{Ex: } A = \{x, y\}$$

$$P(A) = \{\{\}, \{x\}, \{y\}, \{x, y\}\}$$

Question 2

If $A \subseteq B$ does this mean $P(A) \subseteq P(B)$.

Either justify this statement (no formal proof required) or provide a counterexample.

What is $P(F)$ when $F = \{1,2,5\}$?

What is the cardinality of $P(F)$?

What is the cardinality of a powerset of set A of length n ?

Answer 2

Solution:

This statement is true.

Let $x \in P(A)$. By definition of a power set, $x \subseteq A$. If $x \subseteq A$, then $x \subseteq B$. Again, by definition of power set, $x \in P(B)$. Thus, $P(A) \subseteq P(B)$.

Note: This solution is more formal than required at this point in the course; it's okay if your answers are written less mathematically until formal proofs are covered later on.

$$P(F) = \{ \{\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{5\}, \{1,2\}, \{1,5\}, \{2,5\}, \{1,2,5\} \}$$

$$|P(F)| = 8$$

Question 3

What is $P(P(\emptyset))$?

This question is purely to test your understanding

Answer 3

Solution:

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

$$P(P(\emptyset)) = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$$

Question 4

For the sets A , B , C as defined below

$$A = \{1, 2, 5, 8\} \quad B = \{3, 4, 1, 2, 7\} \quad C = \{3, 2\}$$

what is

$$A \cup B, A \cap B, A \times C, C \times A, A - B, (A - B) \cap C$$

Answer 4

Solution:

$$A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8\}$$

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

$$A \times C = \{\{1, 3\}, \{2, 3\}, \{5, 3\}, \{8, 3\}, \{1, 2\}, \{2, 2\}, \{5, 2\}, \{8, 2\}\}$$

$$C \times A = \{\{3, 1\}, \{3, 2\}, \{3, 5\}, \{3, 8\}, \{2, 1\}, \{2, 2\}, \{2, 5\}, \{2, 8\}\}$$

$$A - B = \{5, 8\}$$

These should be parenthesis ^

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

Question 5

List the elements of these sets explicitly

$$\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } x^2 < 5\}$$

$$\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ and } x = 2^n \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Answer 5

$$\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } x^2 < 5\}$$

Solution: $\{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$

$$\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ and } x = 2^n \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Solution: $\{\dots, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 2, 4, \dots\}$

Question 6

Write the following sets in set builder form by identifying some property that all the elements share. Try and write these in the most mathematical manner possible.

- $\{1, 4, 9, \dots, 100\}$

- $\{3, 7, 11, 15, \dots\}$

- $\{-100, -99, -98, \dots, 5\}$

- $\{5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30\}$

- $\{0.5, 0.125, 0.0625, 0.25\}$

Answer 6

Solution:

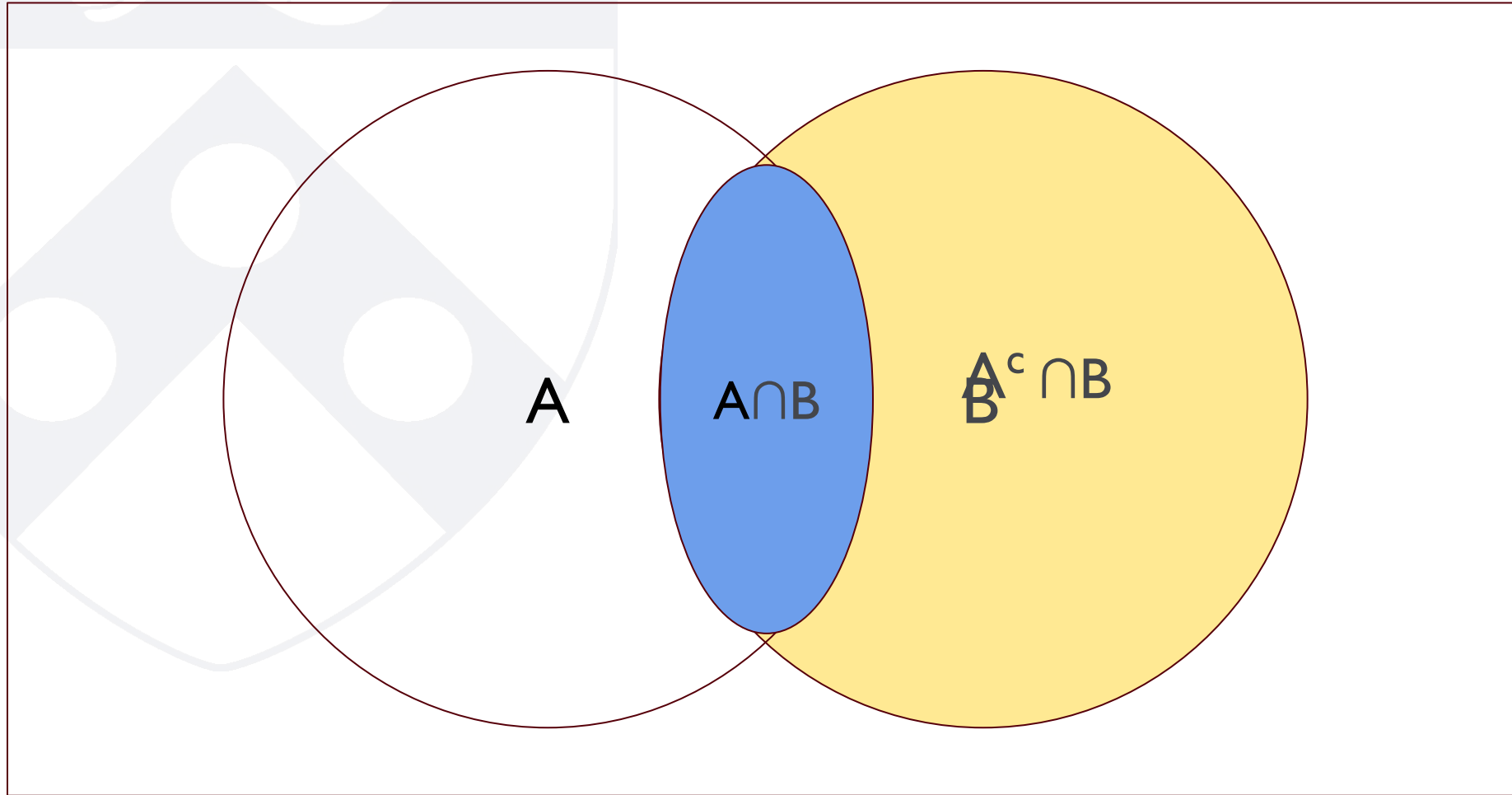
- $\{1, 4, 9, \dots, 100\}$
 $a = \{x | x = n^2, n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } -10 \leq n \leq 10 \text{ and } n \neq 0\}$
- $\{-100, -99, -98, \dots, 5\}$
 $b = \{x | x \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } -100 \leq x \leq 5\}$
- $\{3, 7, 11, 15, \dots\}$
 $c = \{x | x = 4n + 3, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$
- $\{5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30\}$
 $d = \{x | x = 5n, n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } 1 \leq n \leq 6\}$
- $\{0.5, 0.125, 0.0625, 0.25\}$
 $e = \{x | x = \frac{1}{2^n}, n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } 1 \leq n \leq 4\}$

Question 7

7. Show that $(A \cap B) \cup (A^c \cap B) = B$.

Use Venn Diagrams and colors (or textures/fillings) to show this.

Solution



Quick reminder of what properties are

What is commutative?

What is distributive?

if you are going to do the next question

Answer 7

Solution:

$$(A \cap B) \cup (A^c \cap B) = (B \cap A) \cup (B \cap A^c) \quad (1)$$

$$= B \cap (A^c \cup A) \quad (2)$$

$$= B \cap U \quad (3)$$

$$= B \quad (4)$$

1. Intersection is commutative
2. Distributive property
3. The union of A and A^c is the universe
4. The intersection of B and the universe is B

Question 8

Show that $(A - C) \cap (C - B) = \emptyset$. No using Venn diagrams. Use set identities.

Recall that set difference can be written in terms of an intersection.

Answer 8

Solution:

$$\because A - C = A \cap C^c$$

$$\because C - B = C \cap B^c$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (A - C) \cap (C - B) &= A \cap C^c \cap C \cap B^c \\ &= A \cap (C^c \cap C) \cap B^c \\ &= A \cap \emptyset \cap B^c \\ &= \emptyset \end{aligned}$$



See you next week!
