csci54 – discrete math & functional programming basic data types: sets, function, relations



"Connecting Discrete Mathematics and Computer Science" by David Liben-Nowell

https://cs.carleton.edu/faculty/dln/book/

- Python has 4 built-in data types for storing collections of data.
- What are they? How are they different? What is each one good for?

- <u>lists</u>: ordered, indexed, mutable, allows duplicate values
- <u>tuples</u>: ordered, indexed, immutable, allows duplicate values
- dictionaries: unordered, mutable, cannot have duplicate keys
- sets: unordered, unindexed, cannot have duplicate keys, can add/remove elements but can't change existing elements

#### Mathematical sets

- A set is an unordered collection of objects
- ▶ Given a set S and an object o, either  $o \in S$  or  $o \notin S$
- The cardinality of a set is written |S| and is the number of elements in the set

- Examples of sets we've seen:
  - ► Int
  - Integer
  - Char
  - Bool

Z: set of integers
Z<sup>+:</sup> set of positive integers
N: set of non-negative
integers
Q: set of rationals
R: set of reals

Defining a mathematical set

exhaustive enumeration: list everything

 $S = \{1, 2, 17\}$ 

set abstraction: define a set using set operations or a "set builder notation" like our list comprehensions Z: set of integers Z+: set of positive integers N: set of non-negative integers Q : set of rationals R : set of reals The empty set, which contains no elements: {} or  $\bigcirc$ 

The universal set, U

#### Set operations (what can you do with sets S and T?)

Informally . . .

- S or S<sup>c</sup>: set complement
  - set of elements that are in U (the universal set) but not in S
- ► SUT: set union
  - set of elements that are in S or in T
- S∩T: set intersection
  - set of elements that are in S and in T
- S-T: set difference
  - set of elements that are in S and not in T

#### Set operations in set notation

- S<sup>c</sup>: set complement
  - set of elements that are in U (the universal set) but not in S
  - $\mathsf{S}^{\mathsf{C}} = \{\mathsf{x} \in \mathsf{U} : \mathsf{x} \in \mathsf{S}\}$
- ► SUT: set union
  - set of elements that are in S or in T
  - ST { $x : x \in S \text{ or } x \in T$ }
- ► S∩T: set intersection
  - set of elements that are in S and in T
  - ST { $x : x \in S$  and  $x \in T$ }
- S-T: set difference
  - set of elements that are in S and not in T
  - ► ST {x :  $x \in S$  and  $x \notin T$ }

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 $A \cap B$ 

 $A\cup B$ 

|B|

## What can you say about sets S and T?

- = : set equality
  - S and T contain the same elements
- ⊆ : subset
  - S contains T
- $\blacktriangleright \subset$  : proper subset
  - S contains T and S does not equal T
- ▶  $\supseteq$  : superset
  - T contains S
- $\blacktriangleright$  : proper superset
  - T contains S and T does not equal S

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- Are either A or B a subset of the other?
- Given an example of a proper superset of B.

**Definition 2.46: Function.** Let A and B be sets. A *function f from A to B*, written  $f : A \to B$ , assigns to each input value  $a \in A$  a unique output value  $b \in B$ ; the unique value b assigned to a is denoted by f(a). We sometimes say that f maps a to f(a).

Example(s) of function(s) from {1,2,3} to {2,4,6}

#### What is an example of a function

## Defining functions

#### symbolically

- exhaustively
- how would you define the function for "and"?
  - what does it map from/to?

Cartesian product

The Cartesian product of two sets is written AxB and is defined as:

 $AxB = \{ (x,y) : x \in A \text{ and } y \in B \}$ 

- What is AxB if  $A = \{1,2\}$  and  $B = \{true, false\}$ ?
- How would you define the function for "and"?
- How would you define a function which takes two real numbers and returns their average?

# Definitions related to functions

- Given a function
  - the domain is the set A
  - the co-domain is the set B
  - the range (or the image) is the subset of B that are actually mapped to by an element in A.
- Examples:
  - IsEven
  - Pow (haskell ^)
  - what's an example of a function whose domain, co-domain, and range are all

the same?



### classifying functions

- one-to-one: a function is one-to-one if, for every element of the codomain, at most one element of the domain maps to it.
- onto: a function is onto if, for every element of the co-domain, there is an element of the domain that maps to it.
  - alternatively, a function is onto if the co-domain equals the range
- bijection: a function is a bijection if it is both one-to-one and onto



## a little on Latex

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Hello world!
\documentclass{article}
                                         Let's define a few sets
\usepackage{amsmath,amssymb}
                                         • Here's a set with one element:
\begin{document}
Hello world!
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Let's define a few sets
                                         • Here's a set with an infinite number of elements: S^C
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\item Here's a set with an infinite
number of elements: $S^C$
\end{itemize}

    note: environments, math mode, packages

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\end{document}
                                       https://www.overleaf.com/learn/latex/Learn_LaTeX_in_30_min
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