

## CSE547 DEFINITIONS 1

### PART 1: SETS AND OPERATIONS ON SETS

**Subset Notations** We use notation  $A \subseteq B$  for a SUBSET (might be improper) and  $A \subset B$  for a PROPER subset.

**Set Inclusion**  $A \subseteq B$  iff  $\forall a(a \in A \Rightarrow a \in B)$  is a true statement.

**Set Equality**  $A = B$  iff  $A \subseteq B \cap B \subseteq A$ .

**Proper Subset**  $A \subset B$  iff  $A \subseteq B \cap A \neq B$ .

**Power Set**  $\mathcal{P}(A) = \{B : B \subseteq A\}$ .

**Union**  $A \cup B = \{x : x \in A \cup x \in B\}$ . We write:

$$x \in (A \cup B) \text{ iff } x \in A \cup x \in B.$$

**Intersection**  $A \cap B = \{x : x \in A \cap x \in B\}$ . We write:

$$x \in (A \cap B) \text{ iff } x \in A \cap x \in B.$$

**Relative Complement**  $A - B = \{x : x \in A \cap x \notin B\}$ . We write:

$$x \in (A - B) \text{ iff } x \in A \cap x \\ \text{not} \in B.$$

**Complement** This is defined only for  $A \subseteq U$ , where  $U$  is called an UNIVERSE.

We define:  $-A = U - A$ , or write:  $x \in -A$  iff  $x \notin A$ .

**Other notation** some books use  $A^c$ , or  $'$  for  $-A$ .

**Set A** defined by a **property (predicate) P(x)** is  $A = \{x : P(x)\}$ .

**Ordered Pair** Given two sets  $A, B$ , we denote by  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  and ordered pair, where  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ .  $a$  is a first coordinate,  $b$  is the second coordinate. We define:

$$(a, b) = (c, d) \text{ iff } a = c \text{ and } b = d.$$

**(Cartesian) Product** of two sets A and B.

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) : a \in A \cap b \in B\}, \text{ or we write:}$$

$$(a, b) \in (A \times B) \text{ iff } a \in A \cap b \in B.$$

**Binary Relation R** defined in a set A is any subset R of a cartesian product of  $A \times A$ , i.e.

$$R \subseteq A \times A.$$

**Domain of R** Let  $R \subseteq A \times A$ , we define domain of R:

$$D_R = \{a \in A : \exists b \in A((a, b) \in R)\}.$$

**Range of R** (Set of values of R).

Let  $R \subseteq A \times A$ , we define range of R (set  $V_R$  of values of R):

$$V_R = \{b \in A : \exists a \in A((a, b) \in R)\}.$$

**Ordered tuple** Given sets  $A_1, \dots, A_n$ . An element  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$  such that  $a_i \in A_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  is called an ordered TUPLE.

**(Cartesian) Product** of sets  $A_1, \dots, A_n$ .

$$A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n = \{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) : a_i \in A_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}.$$

**Algebra of sets** consists of properties of sets that are TRUE for ALL sets involved. We use tautologies of propositional logic to prove BASIC properties of sets and we use the basic properties to prove more elaborated properties of sets.

## PART 2: FUNCTIONS

**Function as Relation**  $R \subseteq A \times B$  is a FUNCTION from A to B iff

$$\forall a \in A \exists! b \in B (a, b) \in R.$$

Where  $\exists! b \in B$  means there is EXACTLY one  $b \in B$ . Because for all  $a \in A$  we have exactly one  $b \in B$ , we write it as:  $a = R(b)$  for  $(a, b) \in R$ .

A is called A DOMAIN of a function  $R$  and we write:

$R : A \rightarrow B$  to denote that  $R \subseteq A \times B$  is a FUNCTION from A to B.

**Function notation** We denote relations that are functions by letters f, g, h, ... and write  $f : A \rightarrow B$  to say that  $f \subseteq A \times B$  is a function from A to B (**MAPS A into B**).

**Domain, codomain of f** Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$ , A is called a DOMAIN of f and B is called a codomain of f.

**Graph of f** In our approach the GRAPH and the function are the same. **GRAPH** $f = f = \{(a, b) : b = f(a)\}$ .

**ONTO function**  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is called an **onto** function and denoted by  $f : A \xrightarrow{onto} B$  iff  $\forall b \in B \exists a \in A f(a) = b$ .

**1-1 function**  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is called a ONE-TO ONE function and denoted by

$$f : A \xrightarrow{1-1} B \text{ iff } \forall x, y \in A (x \neq y \Rightarrow f(x) \neq f(y)).$$

**f is NOT 1-1**  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is **not a ONE-TO ONE function** iff  $\exists x, y \in A (x \neq y \cap f(x) = f(y))$ .

**1-1, onto** If  $f$  is a **1-1 and onto** function we write it as  $f : A \xrightarrow{1-1, onto} B$ .

**Composition** Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$ , we define a new function  $h : A \rightarrow C$ , called a **COMPOSITION of f and g**, as follows:

$$\text{for any } x \in A, \quad h(x) = g(f(x)).$$

**Composition notation** We denote a composition  $h$  of  $f$  and  $g$  as  $h = f \circ g$ . I.e. we define: for all  $x \in A$ ,  $(f \circ g)(x) = g(f(x))$ .

**Observe Standard notation** for a composition of  $f$  and  $g$  is  $f \circ g$ .

It means that  $f$  is the first function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g$  is the second function  $g : B \rightarrow C$  and the composition is a function with a **"name"**  $f \circ g$  which is defined by a formula:

$$\text{for all } x \in A, \quad (f \circ g)(x) = g(f(x)).$$

**Inverse function** Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow A$ .

The function  $g$  is called an **INVERSE** function to  $f$  iff the composition of  $f$  and  $g$  is an identity on  $A$ , i.e. the following condition holds.

$$\forall a \in A, \quad (f \circ g)(a) = g(f(a) = a).$$

**Inverse function notation** If  $g$  is an INVERSE function to  $f$  we denote by  $g = f^{-1}$ .

**Identity function**  $f : A \rightarrow A$  is called an IDENTITY on  $A$  iff  $\forall a \in A f(a) = a$ .

**Inverse and Identity** Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $f^{-1} : B \rightarrow A$  is an inverse to  $f$ , then the compositions  $f \circ f^{-1}$  and  $f^{-1} \circ f$  are both identities on  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively, i.e.

$$(f \circ f^{-1})(a) = f^{-1}(f(a)) = a, \text{ for all } a \in A$$

$$\text{and } (f^{-1} \circ f)(b) = f^{-1}(f(b)) = b \text{ for all } b \in B.$$

**Inverse Function Theorem** For any function  $f: A \rightarrow B$ , the inverse function to  $f$  **exists** iff  $f$  is 1-1 and ONTO, i.e.  $f: A \xrightarrow{1-1, onto} B$ .

### PART 3: SEQUENCES, GENERALIZED UNION AND INTERSECTION

**A sequence** of elements of a set  $A$  is any function

$$f: N \rightarrow A \text{ or } f: N - \{0\} \rightarrow A.$$

**n-th term of a sequence** Let  $f: N \rightarrow A$  be a sequence,  $a_n = f(n)$  is called a n-th term of a sequence  $f$  and we write the sequence  $f$  as  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n, \dots$ .

**Sequence notation** Let  $f$  be a sequence, we denote it as  $\{a_n\}_{n \in N}$ , or  $\{a_n\}_{n \in N - \{0\}}$ .

**Finite Sequence** of elements of a set  $A$  is any function

$$f: \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \rightarrow A,$$

and  $n$  is called a LENGTH of the sequence  $f$ . We usually list elements of the finite sequences:  $a_1, \dots, a_n$ .

**Family of sets** Any collection of sets is called a Family of sets. We denote it by  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Sequence of sets** is a sequence  $f: N \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ , i.e a sequence where all its elements are SETS.

We use CAPITAL letters to denote the sets, so we also use capital letters to denote sequences of sets:  $\{A_n\}_{n \in N}$ , or  $\{A_n\}_{n \in N - \{0\}}$ .

**Generalized Union of a sequence** of sets:  $\bigcup_{n \in N} A_n = \{x: \exists n \in N x \in A_n\}$ , i.e.

$$x \in \bigcup_{n \in N} A_n \text{ iff } \exists n \in N x \in A_n.$$

**Generalized Intersection of a sequence** of sets:

$$\bigcap_{n \in N} A_n = \{x: \forall n \in N x \in A_n\}, \text{ i.e.}$$

$$x \in \bigcap_{n \in N} A_n \text{ iff } \forall n \in N x \in A_n.$$

**Indexed Family of Sets** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a family of sets, and  $T \neq \emptyset$ .

Any  $f: T \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ ,  $f(t) = A_t$  is called an indexed family of sets,  $T$  is called a set of indexes.

We write it:  $\{A_t\}_{t \in T}$ .

NOTICE that any sequence of sets is an indexed family of sets for  $T = N$ .

**Generalized Union** of an indexed family of sets:

$$\bigcup_{t \in T} A_t = \{x : \exists t \in T x \in A_t\}, \text{ i.e. } x \in \bigcup_{t \in T} A_t \text{ iff } \exists t \in T x \in A_t.$$

**Generalized Intersection** of an indexed family of sets:  $\bigcap_{t \in T} A_t = \{x : \forall t \in T x \in A_t\}$ , i.e.  $x \in \bigcap_{t \in T} A_t$  iff  $\forall t \in T x \in A_t$ .

#### PART 4: IMAGE AND INVERSE IMAGE

**Image** of a set  $A \subseteq X$  under a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . NOTATIONS:  $f(A)$  or  $f^{\rightarrow}(A)$ . Definition:  $f(A) = f^{\rightarrow}(A) = \{y \in Y : \exists x(x \in A \cap y = f(x))\}$ , i.e.

$$y \in f(A) \text{ iff } \exists x(x \in A \cap y = f(x)).$$

**Inverse Image** of a set  $B \subseteq Y$  under a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . NOTATIONS:  $f^{-1}(B)$  or  $f^{\leftarrow}(B)$ . Definition:

$$f^{-1}(B) = f^{\leftarrow}(B) = \{x \in X : f(x) \in B\}, \text{ i.e.}$$

$$x \in f^{-1}(B) \text{ iff } f(x) \in B.$$

#### PART 5: EQUIVALENCE, PARTITION

**Equivalence relation**  $R \subseteq A \times A$  is an equivalence relation in  $A$  iff it is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

**Equivalence relation symbols** We denote equivalence relation by  $\sim$ , or  $\approx$ , or  $\equiv$ . In my notes we usually use  $\approx$  as a symbol for the equivalence relation.

**Equivalence class** If  $\approx \subseteq A \times A$  is an equivalence relation then the set

$$E = \{b \in A : a \approx b\} \text{ is called an equivalence class.}$$

**Equivalence class symbols** The equivalence classes are usually denoted by:

$$[a] = \{b \in A : a \approx b\}$$

and the element  $a$  is called a **representative of the equivalence class**

$$[a] = \{b \in A : a \approx b\}.$$

**Other symbols** used are:  $|a|$  or  $\|a\|$  for the equivalence class  $\{b \in A : a \approx b\}$  with a representative  $a$ .

**Partition** A family of sets  $\mathbf{P} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$  is called a partition of the set  $A$  iff the following conditions hold.

1.  $\forall X \in \mathbf{P} (X \neq \emptyset)$   
i.e. all sets in the partition are non-empty.

2.  $\forall X, Y \in \mathbf{P} (X \cap Y = \emptyset)$   
i.e. all sets in the partition are disjoint.
3.  $\bigcup \mathbf{P} = A$   
i.e. sum of all sets from  $\mathbf{P}$  is the set  $A$ .

**Notation:**  $A/\approx$  denotes the set of all equivalence classes of  $\approx$ , i.e.  
 $A/\approx = \{[a] : a \in A\}$ .

### Equivalence and Partition Theorem

Let  $A \neq \emptyset$ , if  $\approx$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$ , then  $A/\approx$  is a partition of  $A$ , i.e.

1.  $\forall [a] \in A/\approx ([a] \neq \emptyset)$   
i.e. all equivalence classes are non-empty.
2.  $\forall [a] \neq [b] \in A/\approx ([a] \cap [b] = \emptyset)$   
i.e. all equivalence classes are disjoint.
3.  $\bigcup A/\approx = A$   
i.e. sum of all equivalence classes (sets from  $A/\approx$ ) is the set  $A$ .

**Partition and Equivalence** We prove also a following:

For partition  $\mathbf{P} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$  of  $A$ , there is an equivalence relation on  $A$  such that its equivalence classes are exactly the sets of the partition  $\mathbf{P}$ .

**Sets  $R(a)$**  Observe that we can consider, for ANY relation  $R$  on  $A$  sets that "look" like equivalence classes i.e. are defined as follows:

$$R(a) = \{b \in A; aRb\} = \{b \in A; (a, b) \in R\}.$$

**Fact 1** If  $R$  is an equivalence on  $A$ , then the family  $\{R(a)\}_{a \in A}$  is a partition of  $A$ .

**Fact 2** If the family  $\{R(a)\}_{a \in A}$  is NOT a partition of  $A$ , then  $R$  is NOT an equivalence on  $A$ .