

Chapter one

Set theory

1.1 - Basic set theory

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Definitions:

1- **Set** : A set is collection of objects, the objects are called element (Events) of the set .

المجموعة : هي عبارة عن أشياء مجمعة ، وهذه الأشياء تسمى (عناصر او حوادث) في مجموعة .

A set is usually denoted by capital letter e.g. A,B,C,... ; If X is an event belonging to the set A , we shall write $x \in A$ if x is not an event or element of A , we shall $x \notin A$.

Exp) $A=\{0,1,2,3,4\}$ and $B=\{X : X < 8\}$ where (X : positive integer عدد صحيح موجب)

$\therefore B = \{ 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 \}$

2- **Sample space** (S, Ω) : The all possible outcomes of a random experiment are called the sample space .

Exp) The experiment of tossing a coin is :

$$S = \{ H , T \}$$

3- **Random Experiment** : All outcomes of the experiment known . وهي كل المخرجات من التجربة المعلومة

4- **Events** : An event is any collection of possible outcomes of an experiment that is any subset of S

الحدث : أي ترتيب او مجموعة محتمل ظهوره في التجربة وهو مجموعة جزئية من فضاء العينة

Exp) $S = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 \}$

$$X = \{ 3 \}$$

$$Y = \{ 2, 3 \}$$

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

5- **Subset**: The set A is said to be a subset of S if every element of A is also an element of S .

يقال ان A مجموعة جزئية من فضاء الحالة او العينة ، اذا كانت كل العناصر الموجودة في A أيضا موجودة في فضاء العينة

i.e. A is contained in S ; that is mean :

$$x \in (A \subset S)$$

$$x \in A \text{ and } x \in S$$

6- **Empty set**: A set is said to be an empty set or null set if it has no element , and is denoted by \emptyset ;

$$\emptyset \subset S$$

7- **Equal set**: Two set A and B are said to be equal if every elements in A are contained in B also .

$$A \subset B \text{ and } B \subset A$$

$$\text{Then } A = B$$

8- **Universal set**: All set under investigation are assumed to be subset of the space, we shall call it the space and denote it by S or Ω .

9-**The complement**: The complement of the set A with respect to the S , denoted by (\bar{A}, A^c, A') it is the set of all the element that are in S but not in A .

That is mean : $A^c = \{x: x \in S \text{ and } x \notin A\}$.

10-**set difference**: Let A and B be any two subset of S , the set of all points in A that are not in B , will denoted by $(A/B \text{ or } A - B)$

That is mean :- $A/B = \{x: x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$

$$A^c = S/A$$

$$A^c = \{x: x \in S \text{ and } x \notin A\}$$

- If A is a subset of B then $A \subset B$ and read A contained B or $B \supset A$ and read B contains A .
- If $A \subset B$ and $B \subset A$ then $A = B$.

Exp) Let S be the set of all natural numbers; $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$

Define : $A = \{x: x \text{ is an even number, } x \in S\}$

And $B = \{y: y \text{ is a multiple of 3, } y \in S\}$

Find : $(A^c, B^c, A/B, B/A)$

Solution:

$$A = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, \dots\}$$

$$B = \{3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, \dots\}$$

$$A^c = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9, \dots\}; A^c = \{x: x \in S \text{ and } x \notin A\}$$

$$B^c = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, \dots\}$$

$$A/B = \{x: x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$$

$$A/B = \{2, 4, 8, 10, 14, 16, 20, \dots\}$$

$$B/A = \{3, 9, 15, 21, 27, \dots\}$$

11-**Union of set**: Let A and B be any two subset of S , the union of A and B , denoted by $(A \cup B)$; is the set of all elements belonging either to A or to B or both.

$$(A \cup B) = \{x: \text{either } x \in A \text{ or } x \in B \text{ or both} \}$$

$$x \in (A \cup B) = x \in A \text{ or } x \in B$$

$$x \notin (A \cup B) = x \notin A \text{ and } x \notin B$$

12-**Intersection of set**: Let A and B be any two subset of S , The intersection denoted by $(A \cap B)$ is the set of all elements that are in both A and B .

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

$$x \in (A \cap B) = x \in A \text{ and } x \in B$$

$$x \notin (A \cap B) = x \notin A \text{ or } x \notin B$$

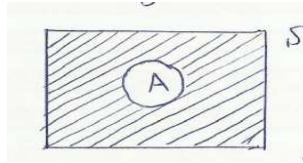
- Two sets A and B are said to be disjoint or mutually exclusive if they have no common elements i.e. :

$$A \cap B = \emptyset$$

- **Venn-Diagrams :**

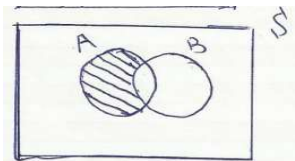
The set operations can be represented by diagrams which are called Venn diagrams .

1- $A^c =$



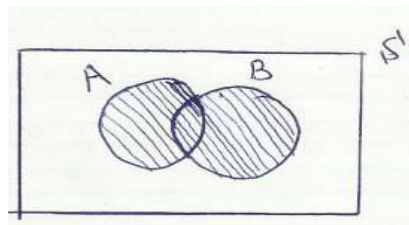
$$A^c = \{x: x \in S \text{ and } x \notin A\}$$

2- $A/B =$



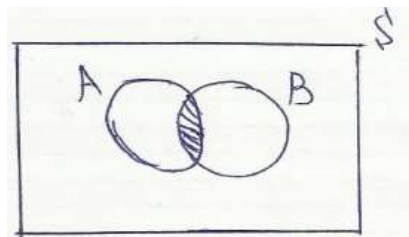
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3- $A \cup B =$



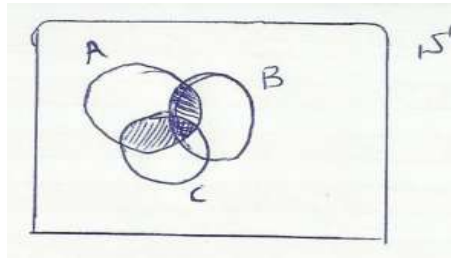
$$(A \cup B) = \{x: x \in A \text{ or } x \in B \text{ or both}\}$$

4- $A \cap B =$

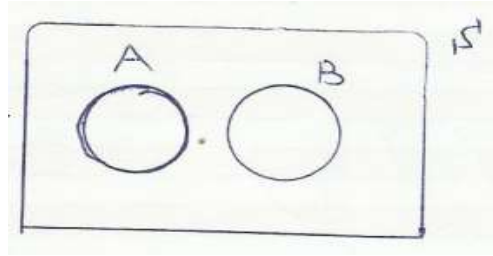


$$(A \cap B) = \{x: x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$$

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



6- $A \cap B = \emptyset$



1.2- Some Fundamental Theorems

بعض النظريات الأساسية

- Let A , B and C be any subset of S

1- Idempotent Laws

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$$A \cup A = A \quad \text{and} \quad A \cap A = A$$

2- Associative Laws

قانون التبديل

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

3- Commutative Laws

قانون التساوي

$$A \cup B = B \cup A \quad \text{and} \quad A \cap B = B \cap A$$

4- Distributive Laws

قانون التوزيع

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

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

5- Identity Laws

قانون الأحادية

$$A \cup \emptyset = A \quad \text{and} \quad A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$$

$$A \cup S = S \quad \text{and} \quad A \cap S = A$$

6- Complement Laws

قانون المتممة او المكمل

$$A \cup A^c = S \quad \text{and} \quad A \cap A^c = \emptyset$$

$$(A^c)^c = A \quad ; \quad S^c = \emptyset \quad \text{and} \quad \emptyset^c = S$$

7- De Morgan's Laws

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

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

** To prove the distributive Laws :

$$1- \quad A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$$

Proof/

$$\text{Let } x \in A \cup (B \cap C) \rightarrow x \in A \text{ or } x \in (B \cap C)$$

$$\rightarrow x \in A \text{ or } (x \in B \text{ and } x \in C)$$

$$\rightarrow (x \in A \text{ or } x \in B) \text{ and } (x \in A \text{ or } x \in C)$$

$$\rightarrow (x \in (A \cup B) \text{ and } x \in (A \cup C))$$

$$\rightarrow x \in (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$$

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

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