

Section 3.6

Cartesian Products

Unordered Sets

- Sets are unordered

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

Ordered N-Tuples

- Sometimes the order of items is important such as when we want to talk about the first, second, and third place finishers of a race

1st	Chris
2nd	Stacy
3rd	Sandy

- In this case, we can use an ordered triple:

(Chris, Stacy, Sandy)

- Note that we use parentheses instead of the curly braces used for sets

Ordered N-Tuples

- In general, to establish an order of n items, we use an ordered n -tuple

$$(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$$

- Since the order matters:

$$(\text{Chris, Stacy, Sandy}) \neq (\text{Stacy, Sandy, Chris})$$

Ordered N-Tuples

- Unlike sets, repetition is allowed in ordered n-tuples
- Example: what are the different ways that some one can give you 7-cents using 3 coins?
 - (penny, penny, nickel)
 - (penny, nickel, penny)
 - (nickel, penny, penny)

Ordered N-Tuples

- Two n-tuples are equal if they have the same items in the same order:

$$(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$$

if and only if

$$\forall i(1 \leq i \leq n \rightarrow a_i = b_i)$$

Cartesian Product

- The cartesian product of two sets A and B , $A \times B$, is the set containing all of the ways that a member of A can be paired with a member of B .

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$$

- Note that (a, b) is an ordered pair (2-tuple)

Cartesian Product

- What is $\{\text{chocolate, vanilla, strawberry}\} \times \{\text{ice cream, milkshake}\}$?
- A table may be helpful:

	ice cream	milkshake
chocolate	(chocolate, ice cream)	(chocolate, milkshake)
vanilla	(vanilla, ice cream)	(vanilla, milkshake)
strawberry	(strawberry, ice cream)	(strawberry, milkshake)

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$$\begin{aligned} & \{\text{chocolate, vanilla, strawberry}\} \times \{\text{ice cream, milkshake}\} \\ &= \{(\text{chocolate, ice cream}), (\text{chocolate, milkshake}), \\ & \quad (\text{vanilla, ice cream}), (\text{vanilla, milkshake}), \\ & \quad (\text{strawberry, ice cream}), (\text{strawberry, milkshake})\} \end{aligned}$$

Cartesian Product

- Any finite number of sets can be combined using the cartesian product:

$$A_1 \times A_2 \times \cdots \times A_n = \{(a_1, a_2, \cdots a_n) \mid a_1 \in A_1, a_2 \in A_2, \cdots a_n \in A_n\}$$

Cartesian Product

- Example

$$\{1, 2\} \times \{a, b\} \times \{X\} \times \{3, c\} = \{(1, a, X, 3), (1, a, X, c), (1, b, X, 3), (1, b, X, c), \\ (2, a, X, 3), (2, a, X, c), (2, b, X, 3), (2, b, X, c)\}$$

Cartesian Product

- The cartesian product of a set A with itself is abbreviated as A^2

$$A^2 = A \times A = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in A\}$$

- In general:

$$A^n = \underbrace{A \times A \times \cdots \times A}_{n \text{ times}}$$

Cartesian Product

- Cartesian products are not always finite. Recall that \mathbf{N} is the set of natural numbers, $\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

$$\mathbf{N} \times \mathbf{N}$$

$$= \{(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), \dots, (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), \dots, (2, 0), (2, 1), (2, 2), \dots, \dots\}$$

Sets of N-Tuples

- The cartesian product of sets A and B , $A \times B$, contains all possible pairs of values from A and B

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$$

- It is possible to have subsets of $A \times B$

Sets of N-Tuples

- Example: Let $A = \{a, b, c\}$ and $B = \{1, 2\}$
- $A \times B = \{(a, 1), (a, 2), (b, 1), (b, 2), (c, 1), (c, 2)\}$

$$\{(a, 1), (b, 1), (c, 1)\} \subseteq A \times B$$

$$\{a, c\} \times \{2\} \subseteq A \times B$$

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- $A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$
- $\emptyset \times \{x, y, z\} = \emptyset$

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 - $A \times B \subseteq C \times D$ means if $(x, y) \in A \times B$ then $(x, y) \in C \times D$
 - $(x, y) \in A \times B$ means $x \in A$ and $y \in B$
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First, try using a few sets

- $A = \{x, y\}$
- $B = \{1, 2\}$
- $C = \{x, y, z\}$
- $D = \{1, 2, 3\}$
- $A \times B = \{(x, 1), (x, 2), (y, 1), (y, 2)\}$
- $C \times D = \{(x, 1), (x, 2), (x, 3), (y, 1), (y, 2), (y, 3), (z, 1), (z, 2), (z, 3)\}$

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 3. $x \in A$ and $y \in B$
 4. $x \in C$ and $y \in D$ because $A \subseteq C$ and $B \subseteq D$

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 8. If $A \subseteq C$ and $B \subseteq D$ then $A \times B \subseteq C \times D$

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