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1. The Intervals: sets of all real numbers between two numbers

Let a and b be real numbers with $a \leq b$. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 [a, b] &= \{x \mid a \leq x \leq b\}, & [a, b) &= \{x \mid a \leq x < b\}, \\
 (a, b] &= \{x \mid a < x \leq b\}, & (a, b) &= \{x \mid a < x < b\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

2. The definition of Subsets:

$$B \supseteq A$$

Let A and B be two sets. We say A is a subset of B , and B is a superset of A , if and only if every element of A is also an element of B . We use the notation $A \subseteq B$ to indicate A is a subset of B :

$$\forall x (x \in \underline{A} \rightarrow x \in \underline{B}) \equiv \underline{A \subseteq B}$$

↑ belongs to ↑

3. Showing that A is a subset of B ($A \subseteq B$): If x belongs to A , then x also belongs to B .

Example: $\mathbb{N} \subseteq \mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$.

4. Showing that A is **Not** a subset of B ($A \not\subseteq B$): Find a single $x \in A$ such that $x \notin B$.

Example: Let $A = \{0, 1, 2\}$, $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, then $A \not\subseteq B$ because $0 \in A$ but $0 \notin B$.

5. For any set S , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{\emptyset \subseteq S} &: \text{Empty set is a subset of } S. \\
 \underline{S \subseteq S} &: S \text{ is a subset of } S \text{ itself.}
 \end{aligned}$$

6. A Proper Subset:

Let A and B be two sets. We say A is a proper subset of B if A is a subset of B but $A \neq B$, and it is denoted by $A \subset B$.

Example: Let $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. $A \subset B$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &B \not\subset B \quad B \subseteq B \quad A \subseteq B
 \end{aligned}$$

7. Showing Two sets are Equal: Let A and B be two sets.

To show A and B are **equal**, we need to prove that $A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq A$.

$A \subseteq B$
 \uparrow for set
 $a \in A$
 \uparrow for element.

8. Let $S = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{1, 2\}\}$, $B = \{1, \{1\}\}$, and $C = \{\emptyset, \{1\}\}$. Complete the following relations:

- (a) $C \subseteq S$. (b) $B \not\subseteq S$. (c) $\{1\} \in S$. (d) $\emptyset \subseteq S$. (e) $1 \in B$.
- $1 \in B, 1 \notin S, \{1\} \in S, \{\{1\}\} \subseteq S$

9. The definition of **Power Set**:

Given a set S , the power set of S is the set of all subsets of S and it is denoted by $P(S)$.

If a set has n elements, then its power set has 2^n elements.

10. What is the power set of the set $\{0, 1, 2\}$ (denoted by $P(\{0, 1, 2\})$)?

$$P(\{0, 1, 2\}) = \left\{ \emptyset, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{0, 1\}, \{1, 2\}, \{0, 2\}, \{0, 1, 2\} \right\}$$

11. The definition of **Cartesian Products**:

Let A and B be sets. The Cartesian products of A and B , denoted by $A \times B$, is

The set of all **ordered pairs** (a, b) , where $a \in A$ and $b \in B$. Hence,

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

12. Let $A = \{1, 2\}$ and $B = \{a, b, c\}$. Find the Cartesian Products $A \times B$ and $B \times A$.

$$A \times B = \{(1, a), (1, b), (1, c), (2, a), (2, b), (2, c)\}$$

$$B \times A = \{(a, 1), (b, 1), (c, 1), (a, 2), (b, 2), (c, 2)\}$$

$$A \times B \neq B \times A$$