

Chapter 11, Set Operations, Image and Inverse Image.

Definition: ① Collection of Sets (Class of Sets):
a set of sets.

② Union of a Collection =

the set whose elements belong to at least one of the sets in collection \mathcal{V} , $\mathcal{V} = \{S_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$.

The set is denoted by $\bigcup_{S_\alpha \in \mathcal{V}} S_\alpha$, or $\bigcup_\alpha S_\alpha$, or $\bigcup \mathcal{V}$.

In particular, if $\mathcal{V} = \{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n\}$, the union is denoted by $\bigcup_{i=1}^n S_i$.

③ Intersection of a Collection =

the set whose elements belong to every set in collection \mathcal{V} .

The set is denoted by $\bigcap_{S_\alpha \in \mathcal{V}} S_\alpha$, or $\bigcap_\alpha S_\alpha$, or $\bigcap \mathcal{V}$.

In particular, if $\mathcal{V} = \{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n\}$, the intersection is denoted by $\bigcap_{i=1}^n S_i$.

④ Complement of B in A =

$$A \setminus B \equiv \{x : x \in A, x \notin B\}$$

⑤ Image of S under f =

$$f(S) \equiv \{f(x) : x \in S\}, \text{ where } f: A \rightarrow B, S \subseteq A.$$

⑥ Inverse Image of C under f =

$$f^{-1}(C) \equiv \{x : f(x) \in C\}, \text{ where } f: A \rightarrow B, C \subseteq B.$$

Properties: ① If $S_\alpha \subseteq T_\alpha$ for all α , then $\bigcup S_\alpha \subseteq \bigcup T_\alpha$, $\bigcap S_\alpha \subseteq \bigcap T_\alpha$;

② $R \setminus (R \setminus S) = S$;

if $A \subseteq B$, then $C \setminus B \subseteq C \setminus A$, for every C;

③ Distributive Law =

$$A \cap (\bigcup S_\alpha) = \bigcup (A \cap S_\alpha), \quad A \cup (\bigcap S_\alpha) = \bigcap (A \cup S_\alpha);$$

④ de Morgan's Law =

$$A \setminus (\bigcup S_\alpha) = \bigcap (A \setminus S_\alpha), \quad A \setminus (\bigcap S_\alpha) = \bigcup (A \setminus S_\alpha);$$

⑤ $f: A \rightarrow B$, if $U \subseteq V \subseteq A$, then $f(U) \subseteq f(V)$;

if $X \subseteq Y \subseteq B$, then $f^{-1}(X) \subseteq f^{-1}(Y)$;

⑥ $f: A \rightarrow B$, $U \subseteq f^{-1}(f(U))$, and $f(f^{-1}(X)) \subseteq X$;

⑦ $f(\bigcup S_\alpha) = \bigcup f(S_\alpha)$, and $f^{-1}(\bigcup S_\alpha) = \bigcup f^{-1}(S_\alpha)$;

⑧ $f(\bigcap S_\alpha) \subseteq \bigcap f(S_\alpha)$, and $f^{-1}(\bigcap S_\alpha) = \bigcap f^{-1}(S_\alpha)$;

⑨ If $X \subseteq A$, then $f(A \setminus X) \supseteq f(A) \setminus f(X)$;

If $Y \subseteq B$, then $f^{-1}(B \setminus Y) = f^{-1}(B) \setminus f^{-1}(Y)$.