

LECTURE 4
(Mon. JAN. 13, 2020)

Let's check the 2nd relation:

$$A \cap (B \cup C) \stackrel{?}{=} (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C). \quad (*)$$

\subseteq : x lies in the LHS precisely when $x \in A$ and $x \in B \cup C$. Two cases:

• If $x \in B$ then $x \in A \cap B$

• If $x \in C$ then $x \in A \cap C$

In either case x lies in $A \cap B$ or $A \cap C$,
I.e., x lies in the RHS.

\supseteq : x lies in the RHS exactly when $x \in A \cap B$
or $x \in A \cap C$. Either way $x \in A$ and
either $x \in B$ or $x \in C$. Thus $x \in A \cap (B \cup C)$. ✓

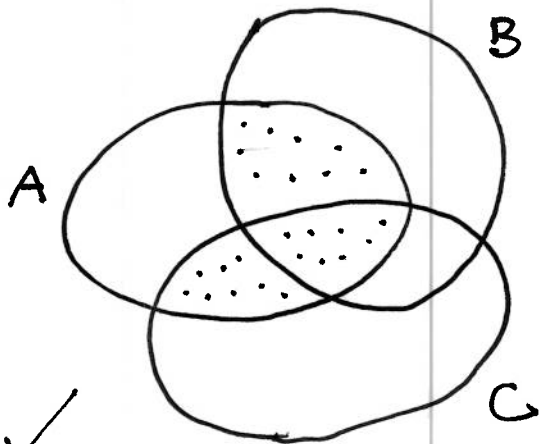
Deduce the 1st relation by
applying (*) to $\bar{A}, \bar{B}, \bar{C}$ and
using de Morgan:

$$\overline{\bar{A} \cap (\bar{B} \cup \bar{C})} = \overline{(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B}) \cup (\bar{A} \cap \bar{C})}$$

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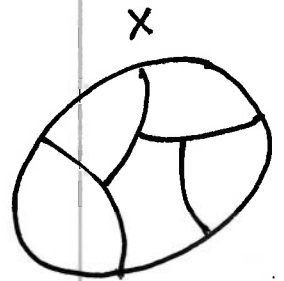
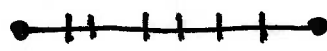
$$A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C) \quad \checkmark$$

VENN diagram:



Partitions

(integration: partition $[a, b]$)



X set. "group its elements in boxes"

Ex ($X = \mathbb{Z}$) Every $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ is even or odd; not both!

$$E = \{2n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$F = \{2n+1 : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$x = 2n$$

(some $n \in \mathbb{Z}$)

$$x = 2n+1$$

Then $\mathbb{Z} = E \cup F$ and $E \cap F = \emptyset$.
(disjoint)

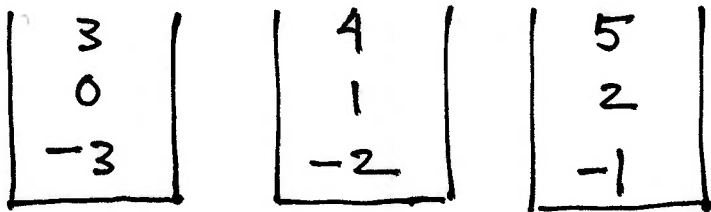
— another way to
"archive" the integers:

now three boxes.

$$A = \{3n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \text{ type 0.}$$

$$B = \{3n+1 : n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \text{ type 1.}$$

$$C = \{3n+2 : n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \text{ type 2.}$$



type 0

type 1

type 2

2020 goes where?

$$2020 = 3 \cdot 673 + 1$$

$$-2020 = 3 \cdot (-674) + 2.$$

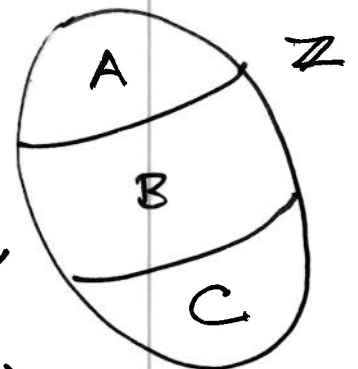
Here

$$\mathbb{Z} = A \cup B \cup C$$

and A, B, C are pairwise disjoint:

$$A \cap B = A \cap C = B \cap C = \emptyset$$

(stronger than saying $A \cap B \cap C = \emptyset$)



→ In words, every integer lies in precisely one of the three subsets A, B, C .

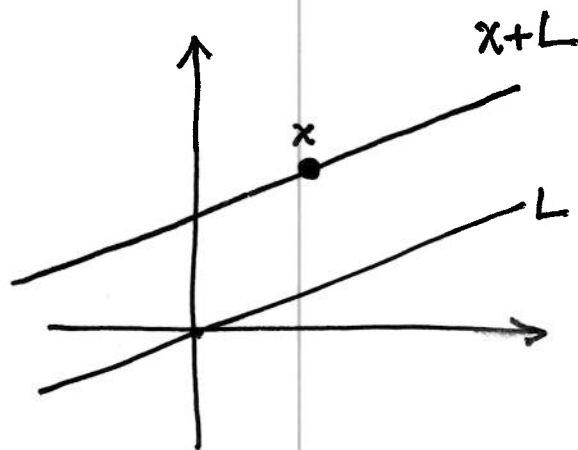
We say $\{A, B, C\}$ is a partition of \mathbb{Z} .

Ex ($X = \mathbb{R}^2$ plane) Fix a line L through 0 .

For $x \in X$ let $x+L$ be the line through x parallel to L .

→ the collection of all these lines gives a partition of \mathbb{R}^2 :

→ Every point $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$ lies on a unique line parallel to L .



Note: x, y may lie on the same line

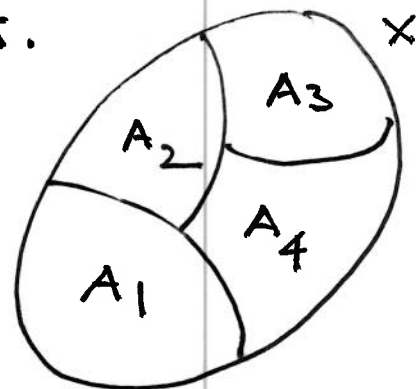
→ so $x+L = y+L$ although $x \neq y$. — may happen.

Def. A "partition" of X is a collection of non-empty subsets $A_\alpha \subseteq X$ indexed by $\alpha \in I$ s.t. every $x \in X$ belongs to exactly one of these subsets.

→ more formally:

$$(1) X = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha \quad \text{and}$$

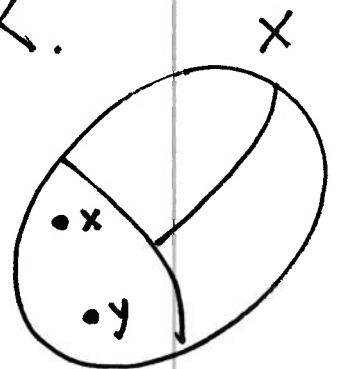
$$(2) A_\alpha \cap A_\beta \neq \emptyset \quad \underline{\text{then}} \quad A_\alpha = A_\beta.$$



EX(ont) $I = \mathbb{R}^2$, and for $\alpha \in I$, $A_\alpha = \alpha + L$.

— Suppose we're given a partition of X .

We write $x \sim y$ when x and y lie in the same "chamber"



$x \sim y$.

• Properties:

(i) $x \sim x$ (reflexive)

(ii) $x \sim y$ is equivalent to $y \sim x$.

(iii) $x \sim y$ and $y \sim z$ implies

(any three $x, y, z \in X$)

$x \sim z$

Symmetry

[later we'll say \sim is an

"equivalence relation" on the set X .]

transitive.

... and go back: From (i) — (iii) build a partition of X into "equivalence classes".