

This document expands on the syllabus description of Unit 1 – Notation and sets. It is provided as a study reference for you to prepare for quizzes on this unit and the final exam.

Quiz dates for unit 1

Quiz 1A	Wednesday, February 4
Quiz 1B	Friday, February 13

Syllabus description of unit 1

I can distinguish mathematical data types: boolean, number, tuple/vector, set, statement, and variable statement. I can use and read these symbols:

$\emptyset, \mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \in, \notin, \subseteq, \not\subseteq, \subsetneq, \cup, \cap, \langle a, b \rangle, \{a, b\}, (a, b), [a, b], |x|, \lfloor x \rfloor, \lceil x \rceil, \vee, \wedge, \oplus, \neg, \implies, \iff, \forall, \exists$

Core content

1. Identify the types of objects described using the various delimiters: $\|, \lceil \rceil, \lfloor \rfloor, \langle \rangle, \{ \}, (),$ and $[]$. For example, what is the type of each object below?

1 $|1|$ $\lceil 1 \rceil$ $\lfloor 1 \rfloor$ $\langle 1, 2 \rangle$ $\{1, 2\}$ $[1, 2]$ $(1, 2)$

2. Distinguish between $\in, \notin, \subseteq, \not\subseteq$ and $\subsetneq$, particularly when it comes to identifying whether a usage is a type error. Label each of the following as true, false, or type error.

$1 \in \langle 1, 2 \rangle$	$1 \in \{1, 2\}$	$1 \in (1, 2)$	$1 \in [1, 2]$
$1 \notin \langle 1, 2 \rangle$	$1 \notin \{1, 2\}$	$1 \notin (1, 2)$	$1 \notin [1, 2]$
$1 \subseteq \langle 1, 2 \rangle$	$1 \subseteq \{1, 2\}$	$1 \subseteq (1, 2)$	$1 \subseteq [1, 2]$
$\{1\} \in \langle 1, 2 \rangle$	$\{1\} \in \{1, 2\}$	$\{1\} \in (1, 2)$	$\{1\} \in [1, 2]$
$\{1\} \subseteq \langle 1, 2 \rangle$	$\{1\} \subseteq \{1, 2\}$	$\{1\} \subseteq (1, 2)$	$\{1\} \subseteq [1, 2]$
$0 \in [0, 1]$	$0 \subseteq [0, 1]$	$0 \not\subseteq [0, 1]$	$0 \subsetneq [0, 1]$
$\emptyset \in [0, 1]$	$\emptyset \subseteq [0, 1]$	$\emptyset \not\subseteq [0, 1]$	$\emptyset \subsetneq [0, 1]$
$[0, 1] \in [0, 1]$	$[0, 1] \subseteq [0, 1]$	$[0, 1] \not\subseteq [0, 1]$	$[0, 1] \subsetneq [0, 1]$
$[0, 2] \in [0, 1]$	$[0, 2] \subseteq [0, 1]$	$[0, 2] \not\subseteq [0, 1]$	$[0, 2] \subsetneq [0, 1]$

3. Translate a statement written using symbolic logic symbols $\vee, \wedge, \oplus, \neg, \implies, \iff$ into an English sentence. For example, translate these statements:

$$\left(2 \in [0, 10] \right) \wedge \left(\emptyset \subseteq [0, 10] \right)$$

$$n \in \mathbb{N} \implies n \geq 0$$

Other kinds of questions

1. Distinguish between $\mathbb{N}$, $\mathbb{Z}$, $\mathbb{Q}$, $\mathbb{R}$, and $\mathbb{C}$ by giving examples of numbers that belong to one but not the other. For each pair below, give an example of a number that belongs to the bigger set but not the smaller set.

$\mathbb{N}$ and $\mathbb{Q}$

$\mathbb{R}$ and $\mathbb{Q}$

2. Distinguish between $|x|$, $\lceil x \rceil$, and $\lfloor x \rfloor$. For example, compute each of the following.

$$|-8.5|$$

$$\lceil -8.5 \rceil$$

$$\lfloor -8.5 \rfloor$$

$$|\pi|$$

$$\lceil \pi \rceil$$

$$\lfloor \pi \rfloor$$

3. Translate a statement written using symbolic logic symbols $\forall$, $\wedge$, $\oplus$, $\neg$, $\implies$, $\iff$, $\forall$, $\exists$ into an English sentence. For example, translate these statements:

$$\forall k \in \mathbb{Z}, k \in \mathbb{Q}$$

$$\exists x \in \mathbb{R}, |x| < 0$$

$$\neg(\exists x \in \mathbb{R}, |x| < 0)$$

$$\exists x \in \mathbb{R}, \neg(|x| < 0)$$

4. Describe the differences between 0 and $\{0\}$ and $\emptyset$.
5. Describe the differences between $(4, 7)$ and $[4, 7]$ and $\{4, 7\}$ and $\langle 4, 7 \rangle$.
6. Translate each of the following variable statements from symbolic logic into an English sentence. For the purposes of these statements, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then give an example of a specific value of k for which one statement is true but the other is false.

$$(k < 20) \vee (k^2 > 100)$$

$$(k < 20) \oplus (k^2 > 100)$$