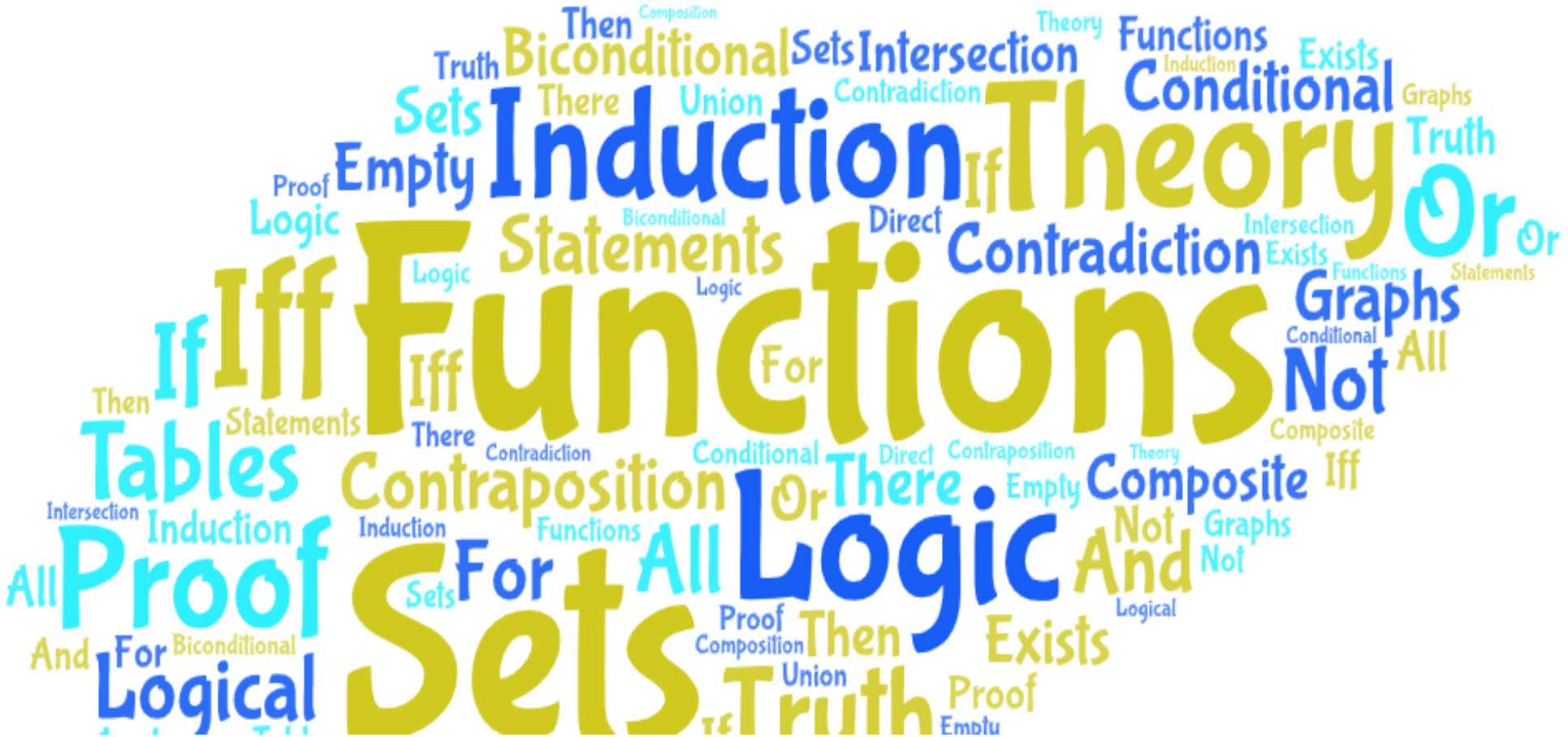
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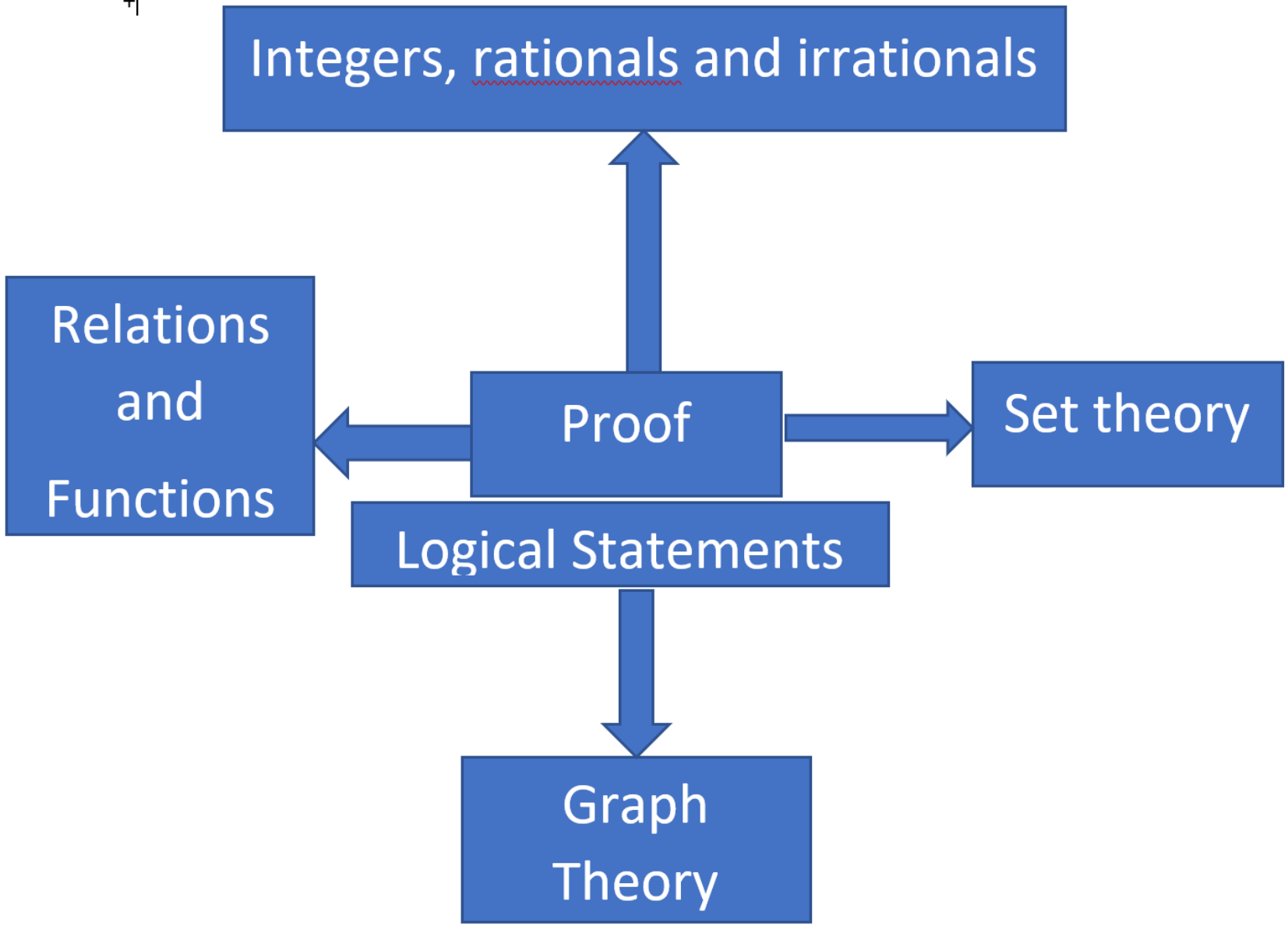
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Thursday, 22 October 2026
14:10 - 15:00
Lecture Theatre C

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Integers, rationals and irrationals
Relations and Functions
Proof
Set theory
Logical Statements
Graph Theory

Discrete Math: Covered material

* Week 1 (21 Sept; self study): Epp Chapter 1: Speaking Mathematically
  Variables; Languages of Sets, of Relations and Functions, of Graphs.
  Chapter 2: Logic of compound statements
  2.1 Logical Form and Logical Equivalence
  2.2 Conditional Statements
  Chapter 3: The logic of Quantified Statements: All except 3.4, which was covered in Inf1A.
* Week 2 (24 & 28 Sept): Chapter 4: Elementary number theory and methods of proof.
  Skip Section 4.9 and 4.10 (or 4.8 in the 4th edition)
  Direct proof, proof by cases, by contradiction and by contraposition
* Week 3 (1 Oct): Chapter 5: Induction and Recursion Skip 5.1 (you know this already), skip 5.7-5.9
  5.1 and 5.6 (self study): recursively defined sequences, sum notation; n! and "n choose r".
  5.2-5.4: Proof by induction, and by strong induction.
  (5 Oct): Chapter 6: Set theory, without 6.4
  Basic operators on sets; Venn diagrams; proving set inclusion by element method, and by algebraic method.
* Week 4 Chapter 7: Functions Domain and co-domain; range of a function.
  (8 Oct): Injective, surjective and bijective function. The inverse of a bijective function.
  (12 Oct): Composition of functions. Comparing infinite sets by size. Countably inf, countable, uncountable sets.
  The set of integers, as well as the rationals, are countable. The reals are uncountable.
  Having the same size is an equivalence relation on sets.
  Having a smaller or equal size (defined with injections) is a relation on sets that is reflexive and transitive, and if two sets are smaller or equal in size to each other, they must have the same size.
* Week 5 (15 Oct): Chapter 8: Relations
  (19 Oct): 8.4: Modular arithmetic and (22 Oct): cryptography.

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  Binary relations; domain and co-domain; 2 kinds of graphs of a relation; inverse of any relation.
  N-ary relations. Reflexivity, symmetry and transitivity of binary relations with domain=co-domain.
  Equivalence relations, equivalence classes, representative of an equivalence class.
  Each equivalence relation induces a partition, and each partition induces an equivalence relation.
  Preorders (relations that are reflexive and transitive). Partial orders. Anti-symmetry. Hasse diagram.
  (19 Oct): 8.4: Modular arithmetic and cryptography
  Inverse of a number modulo n. Solving diophantine equations.
  (22 Oct): RSA cryptography.

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