

Part II

Foundations

Vocabularies

$a \cdot b$ “ a times b ”
“ a multiplied by b ”
“ a into b ”

$\frac{a}{b}$ “ a divided by b ”
“ a by b ”
“ a over b ”

(a : numerator (**Zähler**), b : denominator (**Nenner**))

a^b “ a raised to the b -th power”
“ a to the b -th”
“ a raised to the power of b ”
“ a to the power of b ”
“ a raised to b ”
“ a to the b ”
“ a raised by the exponent of b ”

Vocabularies

$n!$ “ n factorial”

$\binom{n}{k}$ “ n choose k ”

x_i “ x subscript i ”
“ x sub i ”
“ x i ”

$\log_b a$ “log to the base b of a ”
“log a to the base b ”

$$f: X \rightarrow Y, x \mapsto x^2$$

f is a function that maps from **domain** (**Definitionsbereich**) X to **codomain** (**Zielmenge**) Y . The set $\{y \in Y \mid \exists x \in X: f(x) = y\}$ is the **image** or the **range** of the function (**Bildbereich/Wertebereich**).

3 Goals

- ▶ Gain knowledge about efficient algorithms for important problems, i.e., learn how to solve certain types of problems efficiently.
- ▶ Learn how to analyze and judge the efficiency of algorithms.
- ▶ Learn how to design efficient algorithms.