## union

The set of elements that are members of at least one of two or more sets.

## Notes

- In set theory, the union of a collection of sets is the set of all elements in the collection.
- In SNOMED CT, the union of two or more subsets of concepts consists of all concepts that are members of at least one of those subsets.


## Examples

- The following expression constraint language defines the set of concepts in the union of subtypes of 7569003 | Finger and subtypes of 7650 5004 | Thumb structure|. The "OR" instruction indicates a union between the sets defined by constraints on either side of that instruction.
<< 7569003 |Finger|
OR << 76505004 |Thumb structure|


## Related Links

- Complement
- Intersection

Wikipedia
Union (set theory)

