

## CS1800 Day 6

### Admin:

- HW 2 due Friday (logic)
- HW 3 released Friday (sets)

### Content:

- Sets (subsets, empty set, powerset)
- Set Builder Notation
- Set Operations (Union, Intersection, Complement, Difference)

# Sets

A set is a collection of unique objects

{a, b, c}

= {a, b, c}

MY CURLY BRACES ARE NOT GREAT... SORRY!



Poor Form

$$\{1, 2, 3, 4\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 4\} = \{1, 3, 4, 2\}$$

AN ITEM IS IN SET OR NOT, NO ITEM IS IN SET MORE THAN ONCE

Example number sets you should be aware of:

## Empty set

$$\emptyset = \{ \}$$

SET w/ NO ITEMS

## Integers

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{ \dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots \}$$

$\mathbb{Z}$

## Natural Numbers

$$\mathbb{N} = \{ 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots \}$$

SOMETIMES NOT INCLUDED

## Real Numbers

$\mathbb{R}$  CONTAINS  $-2, 0, 1/2, \pi, e$

Set Builder Notation: one way to express a set

$$A = \{ x \in \mathbb{N} \mid (3 \leq x) \wedge (x \leq 5) \}$$

$x \in \mathbb{N}$     $x \notin \mathbb{N}$

A is THE SET OF X IN NATURAL NUMBERS SUCH THAT <SOME PREDICATE>

0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, ...

$$A = \{ 3, 4, 5 \}$$

## In Class Activity: Set Builder Practice

Express the set A by explicitly listing all items it contains

$$\dots -6, -5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$$
$$A = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid |x| < 5\} = \{-4, -3, -2, \dots, 2, 3, 4\} \quad 0, 7, 8, \dots$$

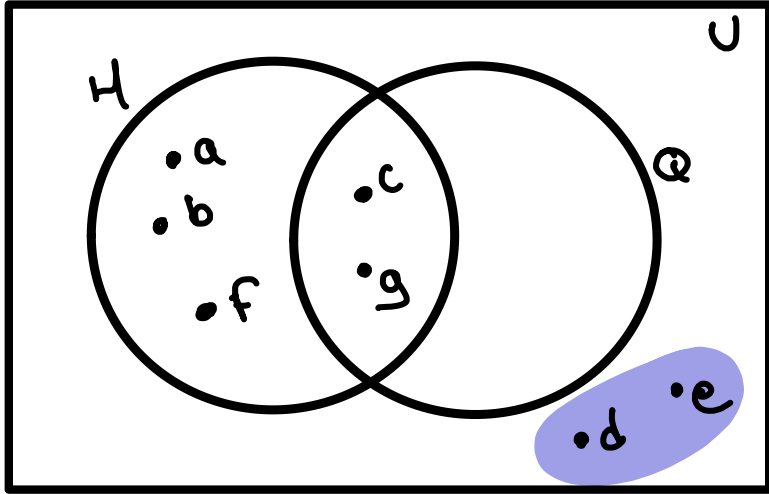
Express the set B using set builder notation

B = set of all natural numbers x which have  $x \bmod 3 = 0$  and  $x \bmod 7 = 0$  and  $x < 40$

(++ list all of its items)

$$B = \{x \in \mathbb{N} \mid (x \bmod 3 = 0) \text{ AND } (x \bmod 7 = 0) \text{ AND } (x < 40)\}$$

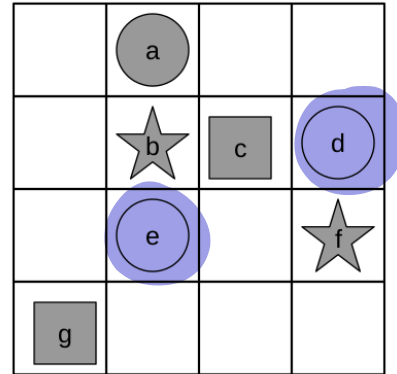
Venn Diagram: a way of visually representing set membership



$H$  = set of all sHaded shapes

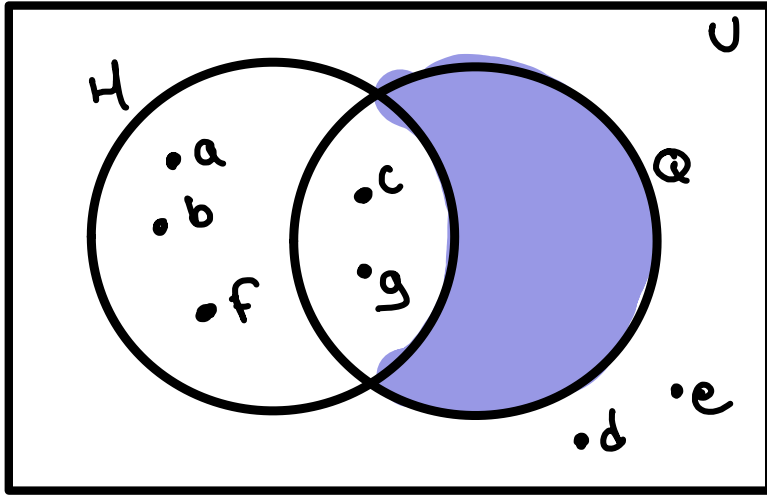
$Q$  = set of all sQuares

$U$  = Universal set, contains all shapes



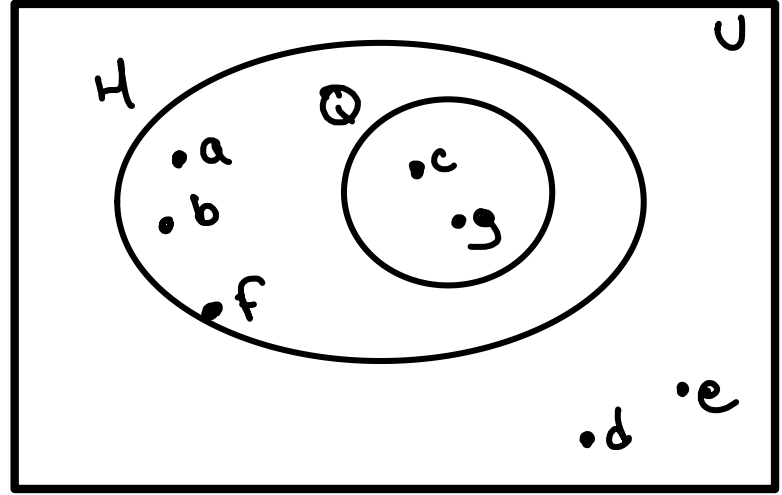
Venn Diagram Gotcha: Just because an area exists, doesn't mean it contains any items (may be empty)

(these Venn Diagrams represent shapes from previous slide)



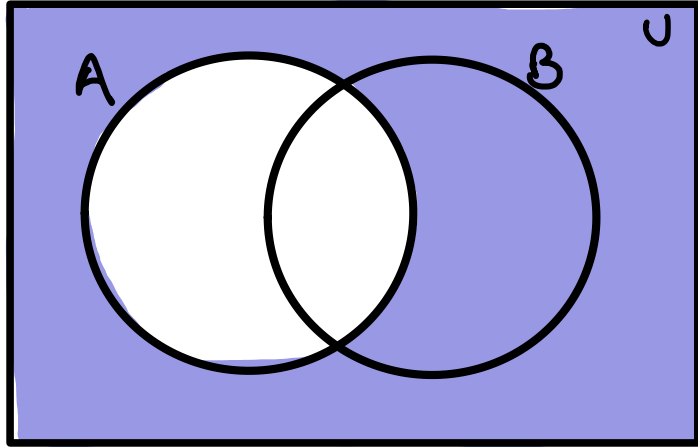
Generalizable representation:  
This classic venn-diagram has a space for  
any item's set membership

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This representation is valid in the special  
case where one set is contained in another  
(i.e. Q has no items not in H)

Set Operation: Complement (all the items NOT in some set)



TWO NOTATIONS FOR SAME THING

↑ "NOT IN"

$$\overline{A} = A^c = \{x \in U \mid x \notin A\}$$

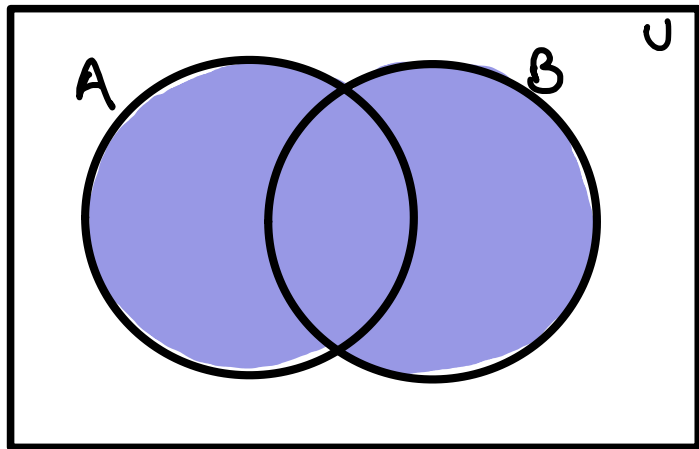
ALL  $x$  IN UNIVERSE

SUCH THAT

$x$  IS NOT IN  $A$

## Set Operation: Union

(all the items in one set OR another)



$$A \cup B = \{x \in U \mid x \in A \vee x \in B\}$$

ALL  $x$  IN UNIVERSE SUCH THAT

$x$  IS IN A

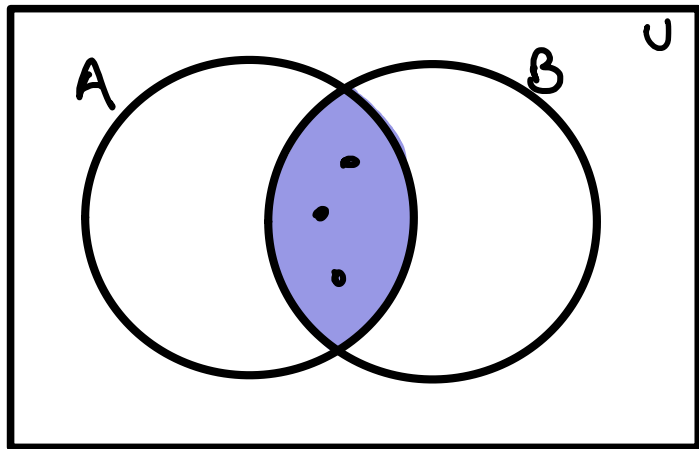
OR

$x$  IS IN B



## Set Operation: Intersection

(all the items in one set AND another)



$$A \cap B = \{x \in U \mid \underline{x \in A} \wedge \underline{x \in B}\}$$

ALL  $x$  IN UNIVERSE SUCH THAT

$x$  IS IN A

AND

$x$  IS IN B



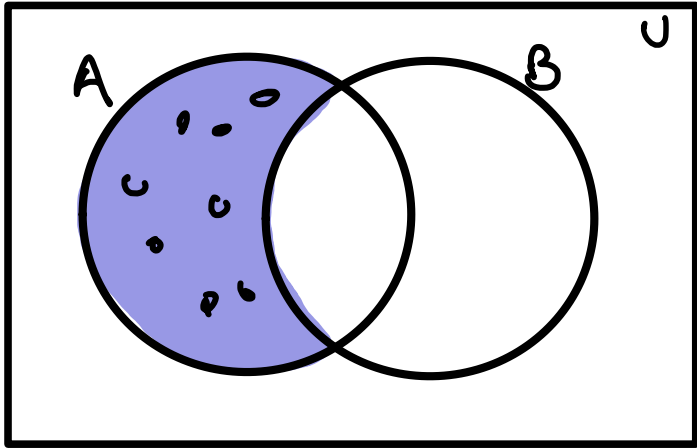
TIP

UNION



INTERSECTION

Set Operation: Difference (All items in one set but not another)



$$A - B = \{x \in U \mid (x \in A) \wedge (x \notin B)\}$$

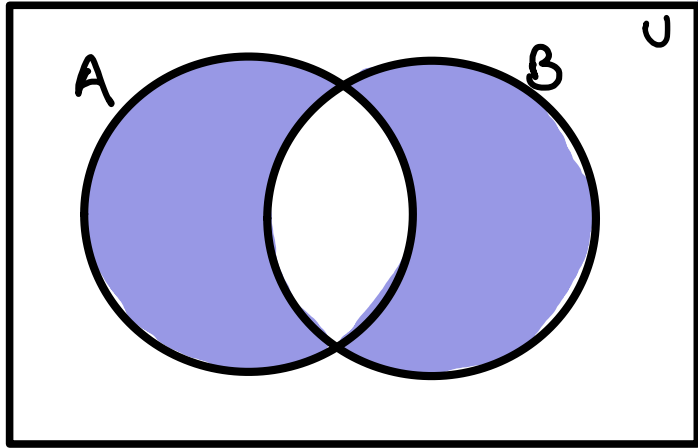
ALL X IN UNIVERSE SUCH THAT

X IS IN A

AND

X IS NOT IN B

Set Operation: Symmetric Difference (All items in one set XOR another)  
(All items in one set or the other, but not both)



$$A \Delta B =$$

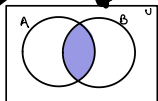
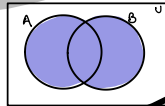
$$\{x \in U \mid x \in (A \cup B) \wedge x \notin (A \cap B)\}$$

ALL  $x$  IN UNIVERSE SUCH THAT

$x$  IS IN  $A \cup B$

AND

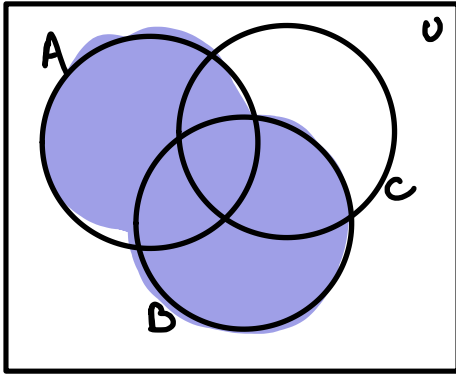
$x$  NOT IN  $A \cap B$



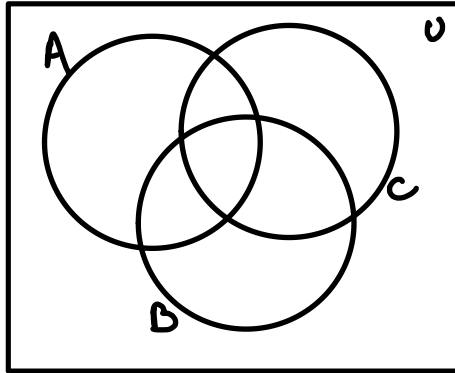
In Class Activity

Shade the indicated areas in each venn diagram

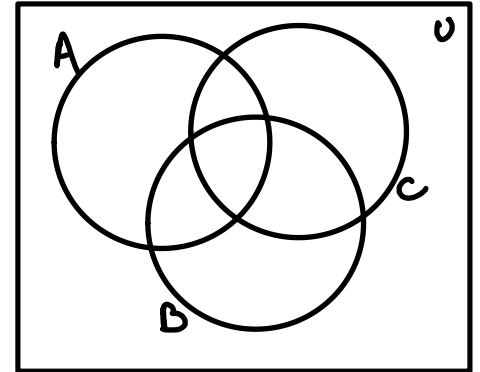
$$(A \cup B) - C$$



$$(A \cap C) \cup B$$



$$A \Delta (B \cap C)$$

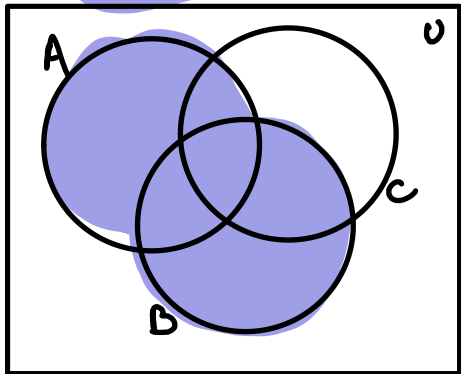


COMPLEMENT OPERATION  
(NOT SET C)

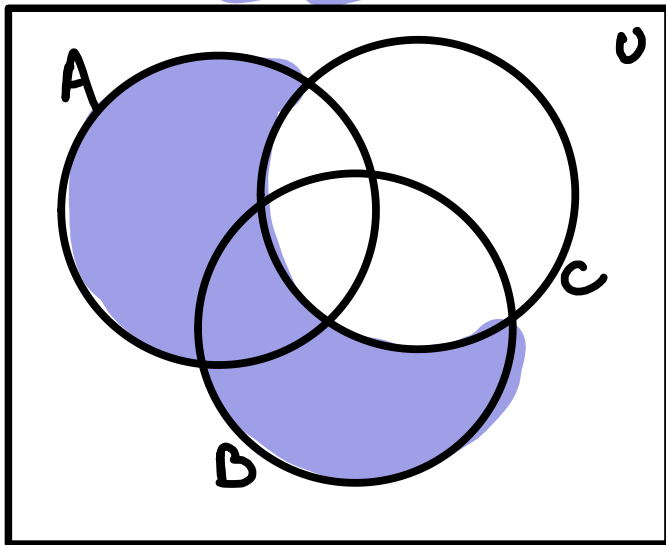


the shaded blue area corresponds to the blue highlighted expression above

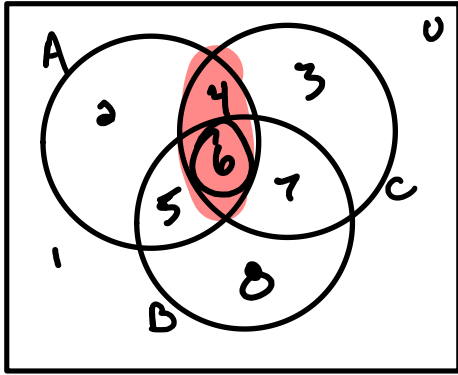
$$(A \cup B)$$



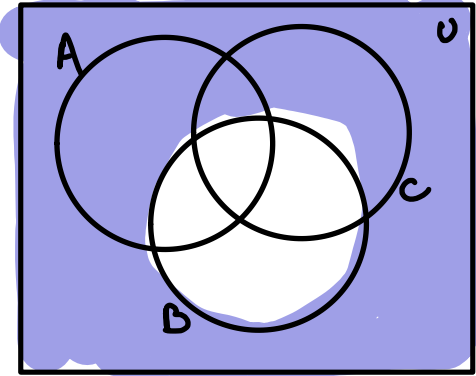
$$(A \cup B) - C$$



$A \cap B \cap C$

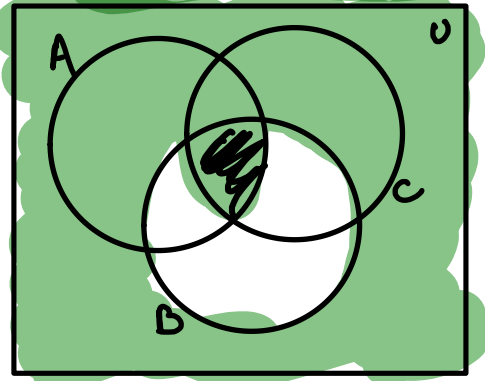


$B^c$

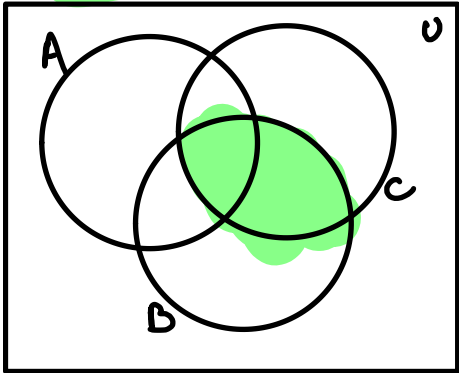


$$B \cup B^c = U$$

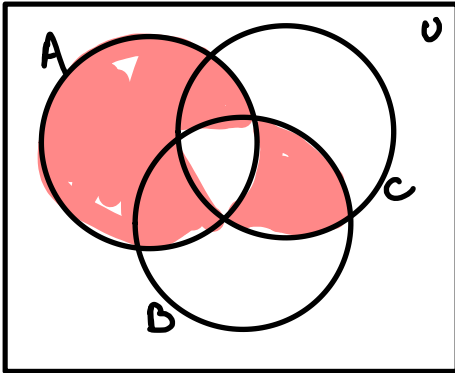
$(A \cap B \cap C) \cup B^c$



$B \cap C$



$A \Delta (B \cap C)$

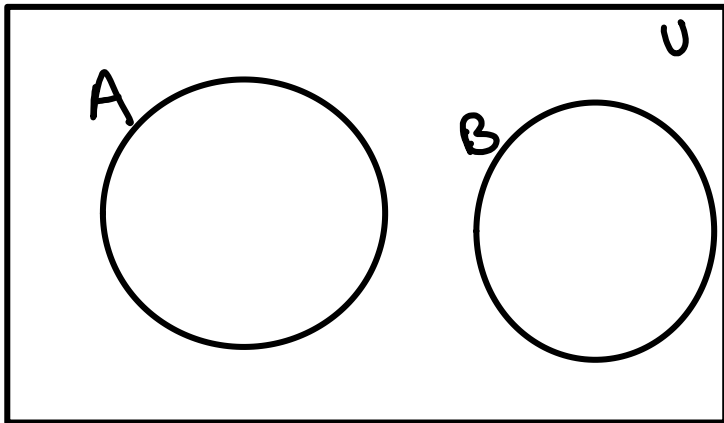




Set Terminology: Disjoint Sets (two sets are disjoint if no item is in both sets)



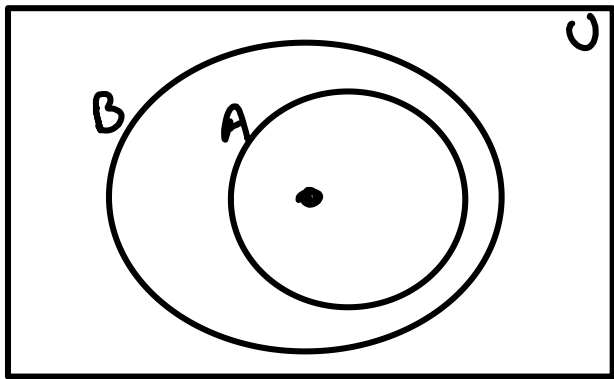
WE SAY  $A, B$  ARE DISJOINT IF  $A \cap B = \emptyset$



← NO ITEM CAN  
BE IN BOTH A AND  
B

## Set Terminology: subsets

A is subset of B = all items in A are in B



$$A \subseteq B = \underline{x \in A} \rightarrow \underline{x \in B}$$

IF  $x$  IS IN  $A$  THEN  $x$  IS IN  $B$

WE ILLUSTRATE LIKE THIS TO SHOW  $A - B = \emptyset$   
(THERE IS NO ITEM IN  $A$  NOT IN  $B$ )

QUIRK: EMPTY SET IS A SUBSET OF  
ANY SET A

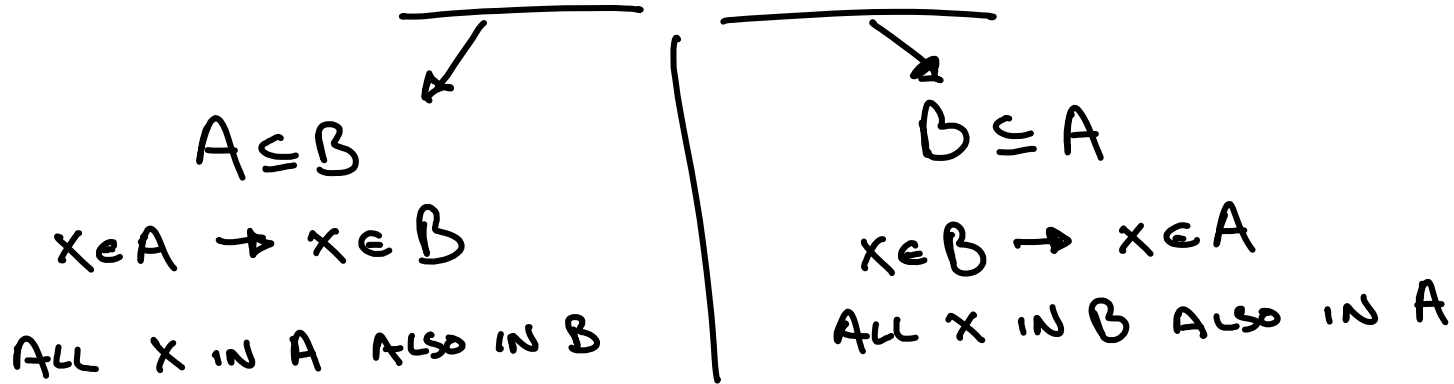
$$\emptyset \subseteq A \quad \text{FOR ALL SETS } A$$

## Set Terminology: Set Equality

$$x \in A \leftrightarrow x \in B$$

Given sets A, B:

we say that  $A=B$  if A is a subset of B and B is a subset of A.



INTUITION: A, B HAVE SAME ITEMS

awkward at first look ... but allows for clear set equality proof approach. to show sets  $A = B$ :

- show that all items in A are in B and
- show that all items in B are in A

ALSO KIND OF ODD:

$A \subseteq B$  IS TRUE WHEN  $A, B$  ARE EQUAL

WHAT LANGUAGE CLARIFIES THAT  
 $A \subseteq B$  AND  $B$  IS "BIGGER" ?

Set Terminology: Proper Subset (one set is contained in another, larger, set)

$$A \subset B$$

= ALL ITEMS OF A ARE IN B

AND

B CONTAINS SOME ITEM NOT IN A

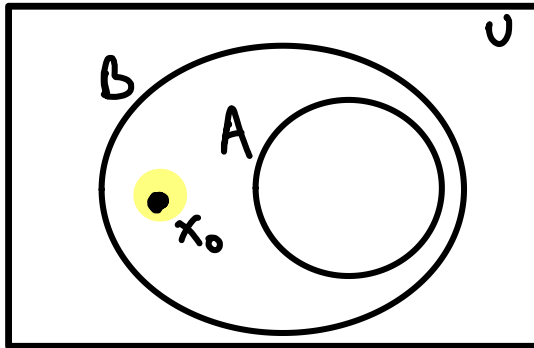
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$$A \subseteq B$$

AND

$$B - A \neq \emptyset$$

"A IS PROPER  
SUBSET OF B"



# NOTICING NOTATION

$$A \subseteq B$$

"SET A IS A SUBSET OF B"

$$A \subset B$$

"SET A IS A PROPER SUBSET OF B"

$$X \subseteq 123$$

UNDERLINE  
"MIGHT BE EQUAL"

$$X < 123$$

Set Terminology: Cardinality (the number of items in a set)

$$A = \{a, b, c, d\}$$

$$|A| = 4$$



## Set Terminology: Power Set

The power set of set A is the set of all sets which can be made from items in A

$$A = \{1, 2\} \quad P(A) = \{\{1, 2\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \emptyset\}$$

$$P(A) = \{ \underline{\{1\}}, \underline{\{2\}}, \underline{\{1, 2\}}, \underline{\emptyset} \}$$

↓  
EMPTY SET

In Class Activity

(IF TIME)

$$A = \{3, 4, 5\}$$

$$B = \{4, 5\}$$

$$C = \{5\}$$

$$D = \{7, \text{'MATT'}, \emptyset, \text{☺}\}$$

Compute each of the following

$$|A| = 3$$

$$|A \cup B| = 3$$

$$|P(C)|$$

$$|P(B)|$$

$$|P(A)|$$

↪ POWERSET OF A

$$C = \{5\}$$

$$P(C) = \{\{5\}, \emptyset\}$$

$$|P(C)| = 2$$

$$B = \{4, 5\}$$

$$P(B) = \{\{4\}, \{5\}, \{4, 5\}, \emptyset\}$$

$$|P(B)| = 4$$

$$A = \{3, 4, 5\}$$

$$P(A) = \{\{3, 4, 5\}, \{3, 4\}, \{3, 5\}, \{4, 5\}, \{3\}, \{4\}, \{5\}, \emptyset\}$$

$$|P(A)| = 8$$



IS INCLUDED  
SUBSET

IN