

Finite Math

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Course Structure:

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| Midterms (2) | - 300pts | } 600pts |
| Final | - 150pts | |
| HW (WebAssign) | - 100pts | |
| Quizzes | - 50pts | |

Set: collection of things

Examples: $A =$ The set of 26 English letters

$B =$ The set of people in this class

$C =$ The set of even numbers

~~$D =$ The set of top-three ice cream flavors~~
(not well-defined)

Notation: $k \in A$
is an element of

$7 \notin C$
is not an element of

Ways to write sets:

- Describe them (just like above)
- List the elements

set of primary colors = {red, yellow, blue}

← curly braces →

the possible rolls of a
Six-sided die = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}

- Give a pattern

set of even numbers = {0, 2, 4, 6, ...}

← "et cetera"

set of 26 English letters = {a, b, c, d, ..., x, y, z}

- Set-builder notation

$$\{x \mid x \text{ is a vowel of the English alphabet}\} = \{a, e, i, o, u\}$$

↑
"such that"

$$\{x \mid x - 3 = 2\} = \{5\}$$

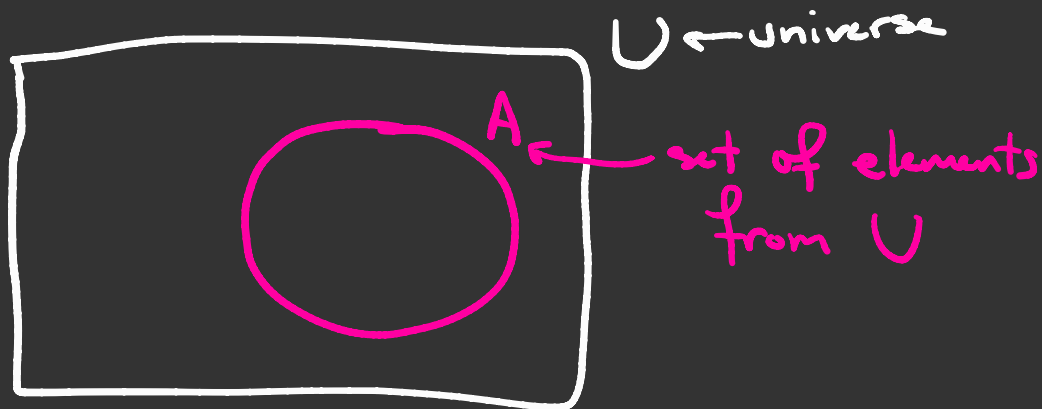
Empty Set: contains no elements

Notation: \emptyset

Examples: $\{x \mid x < 3 \text{ and } x > 5\} = \emptyset$

Nonempty: contain at least one element

Venn Diagram:



Set Equality: contain exactly the same elements

• $\{1, 2, 3\} = \{1, 1, 2, 3\}$ (repetition doesn't matter)

• $\{1, 2, 3\} = \{3, 2, 1\}$ (order doesn't matter)

Subset: $A \subseteq B$ if every element of A is also in B
is a subset of

$$\{1, 2\} \subseteq \{1, 2, 3\}$$

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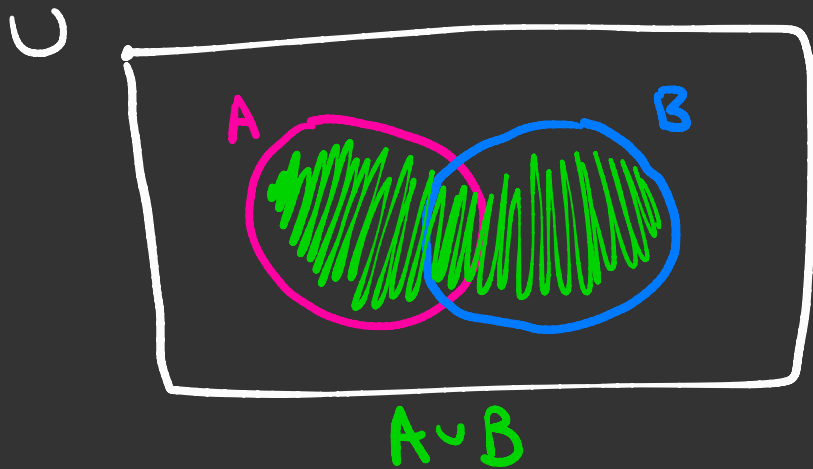
$$\emptyset \subseteq \{1, 2, 3\}$$

A is a proper subset of B if $A \subseteq B$, and $A \neq B$ and $A \neq \emptyset$

Union of sets: $A \cup B$ is set of element in A, B, or both

$$A \cup B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$$

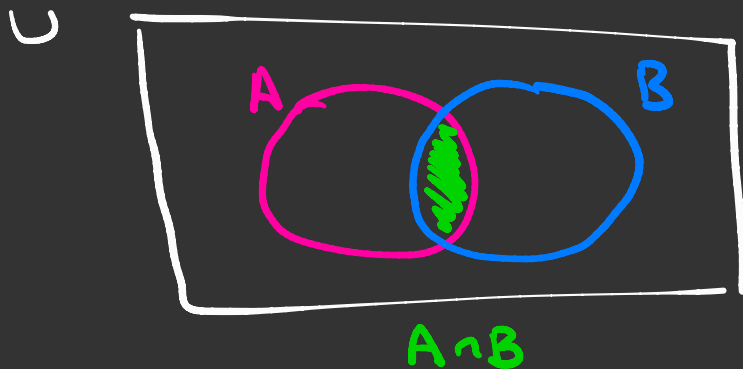
inclusive or



• $\{1, 2, 3\} \cup \{4, 5, 6\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

Intersection of sets: $A \cap B$ is set of element in A and in B

$$A \cap B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$$



$$\{1, 2, 3\} \cap \{3, 4, 5\} = \{3\}$$

$$\{1, 2, 3\} \cap \{4, 5, 6\} = \emptyset$$

Note:

$$A \subseteq A \cup B$$

$$B \subseteq A \cup B$$

$$A \supseteq A \cap B$$

$$B \supseteq A \cap B$$

Complement of sets: $A' = A^c$ is set of elements in U not in A

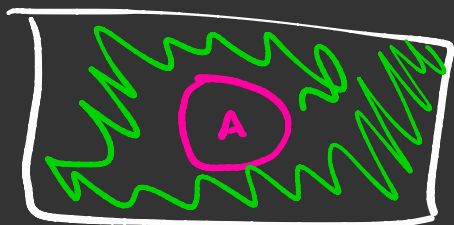
(requires a universal set)

$$U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

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

$$A' = \{4, 5, 6\}$$

U



Note:

$$A \cap A' = \emptyset$$

$$A \cup A' = U$$

Disjoint sets : If $A \cap B = \emptyset$, we say A and B are disjoint

