

SETS

A set is a collection of distinct elements

$B = \{\text{France, Portugal, Andorra}\} = \text{countries bordering mainland Spain.}$

$S = \{\text{basketball, soccer}\} = \text{sports that I like.}$

Natural numbers: $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ → Some sources: no zero.

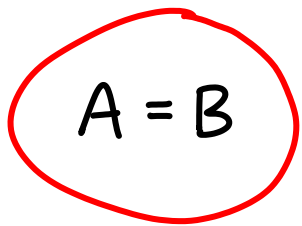
Integers: $\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

Positive integers: $\mathbb{Z}^+ = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

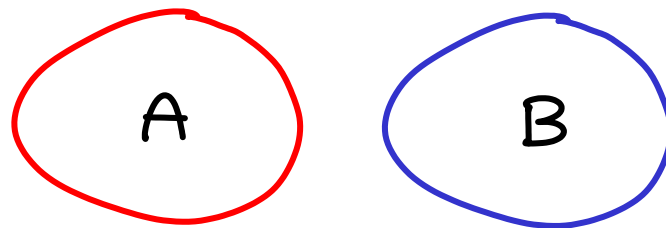
Rational numbers: \mathbb{Q} e.g., $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{5}{7}$, $\frac{13}{2}$, 8

Irrational numbers e.g., π , e , $\sqrt{2}$

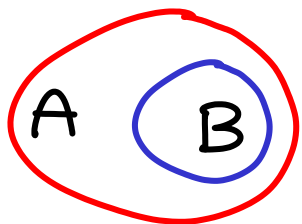
Real numbers: \mathbb{R} all rational & irrational



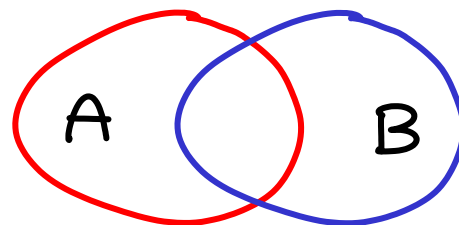
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disjoint sets



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general picture

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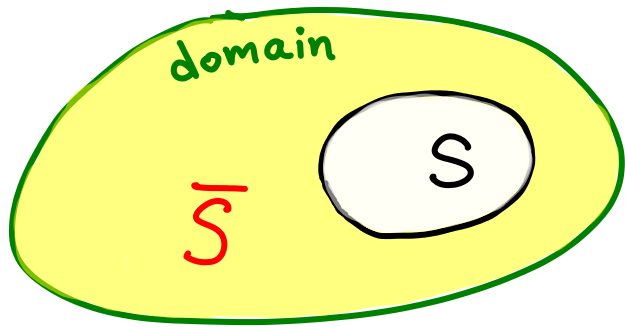
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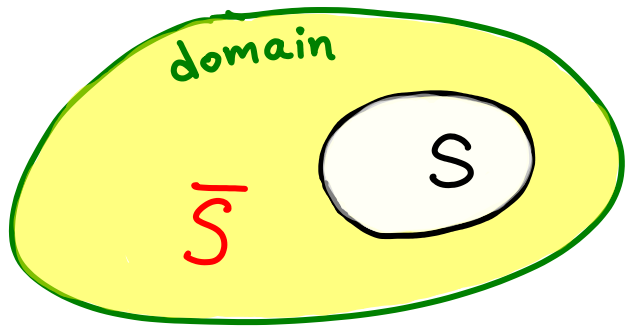
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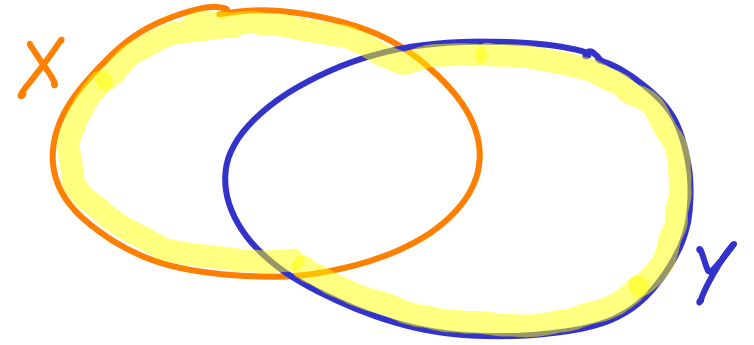
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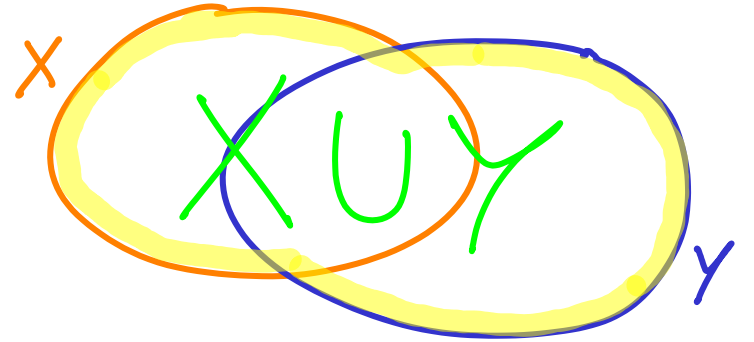


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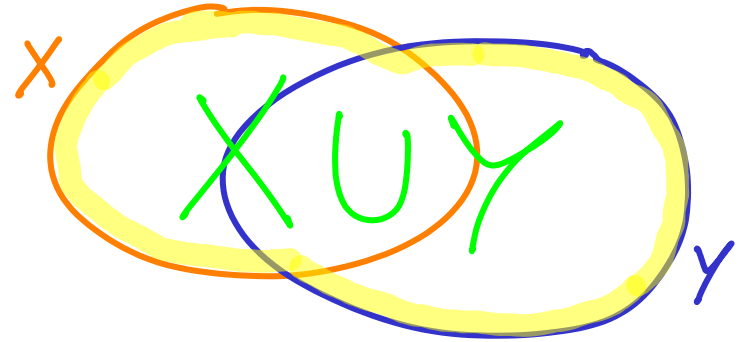
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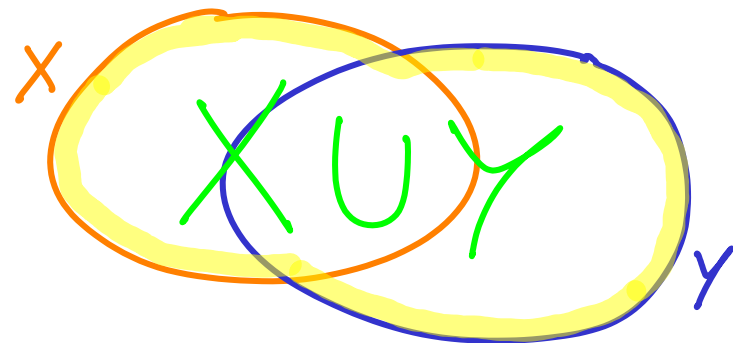
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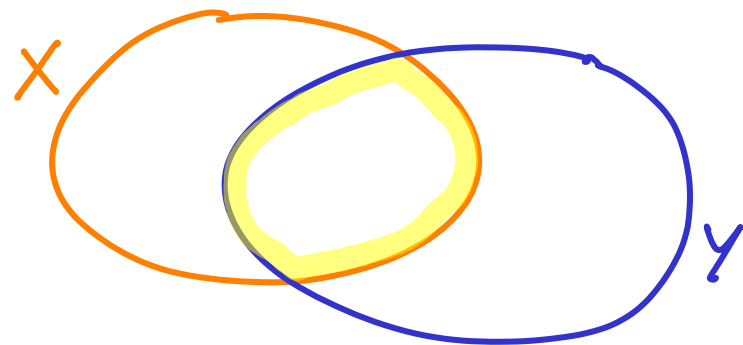
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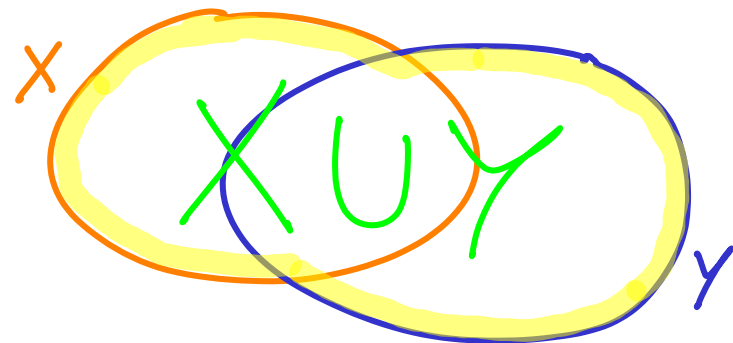
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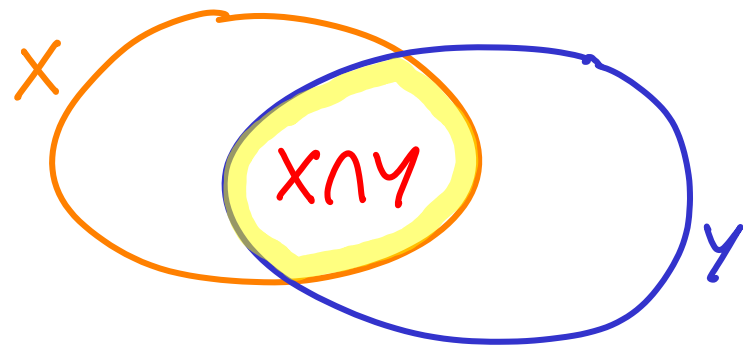
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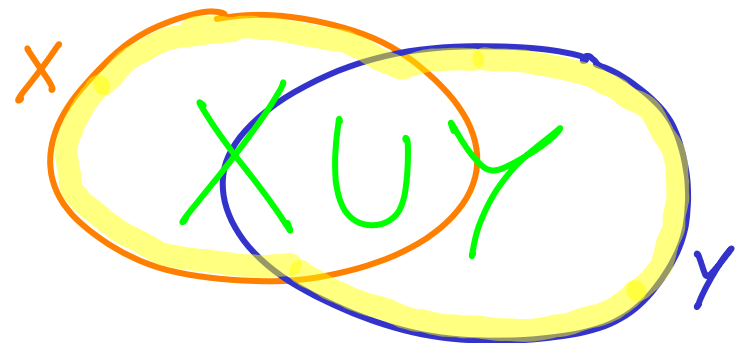
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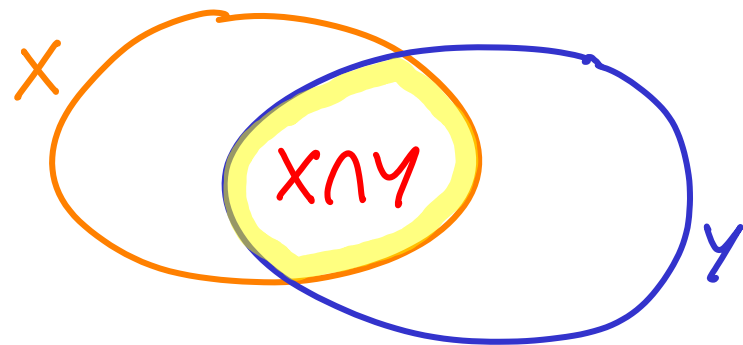
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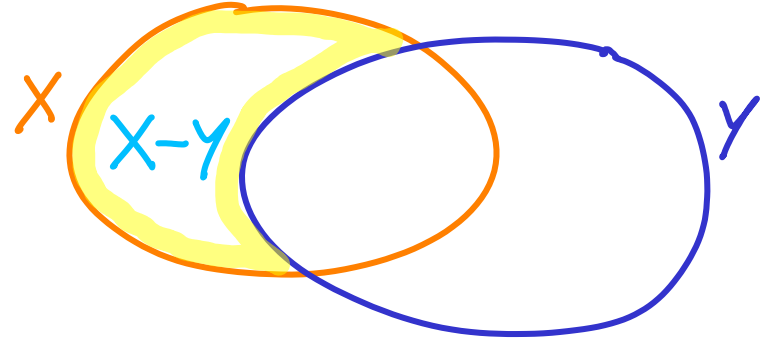
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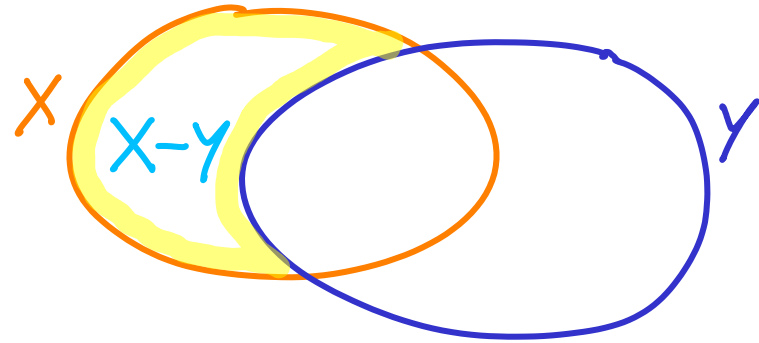
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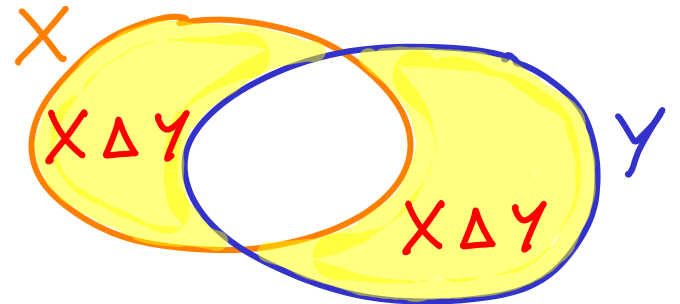


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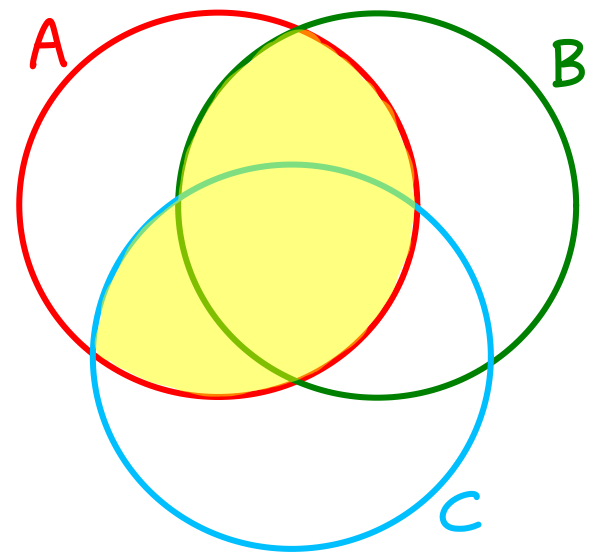
$S = \{x \in \mathbb{N} \mid \text{sum of digits in } x \text{ is a multiple of } 5\}$

implied: "all x "

"such that" or "for which"

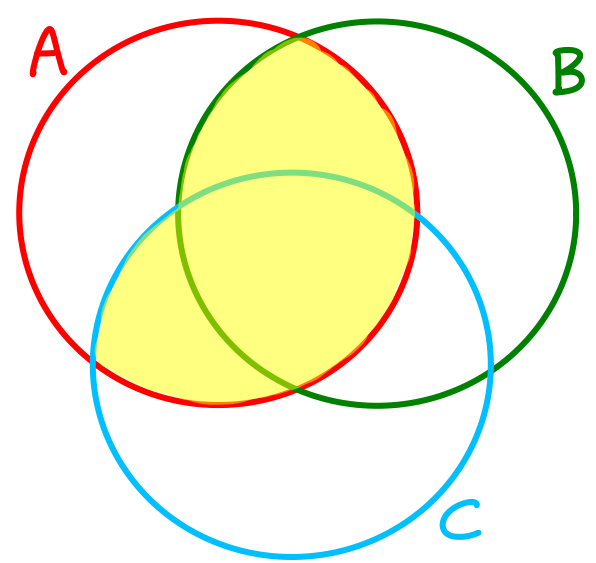
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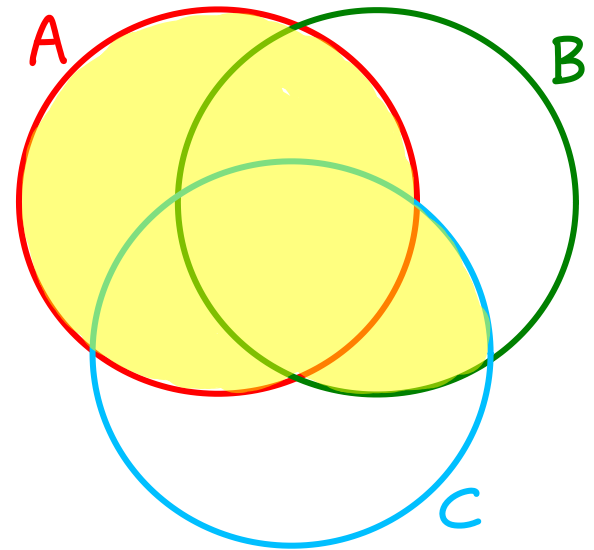


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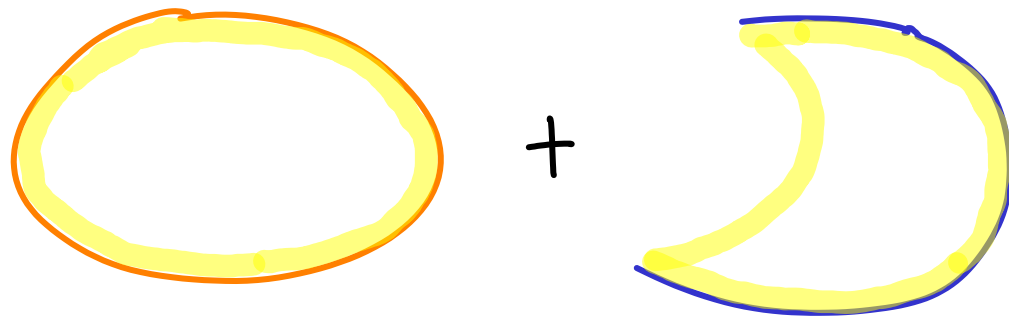
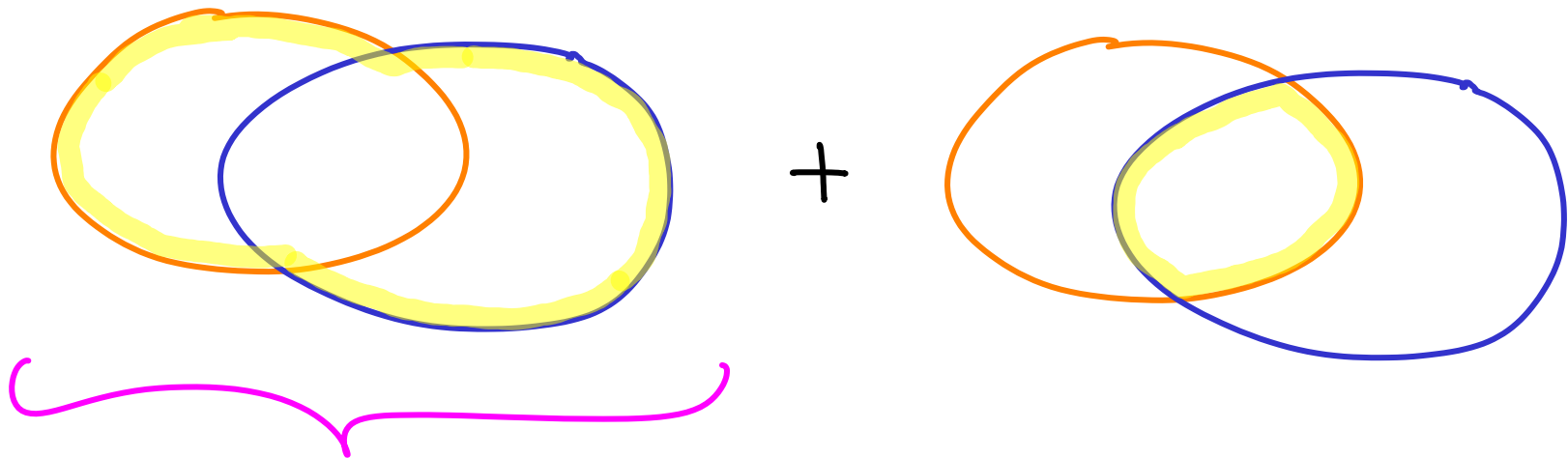
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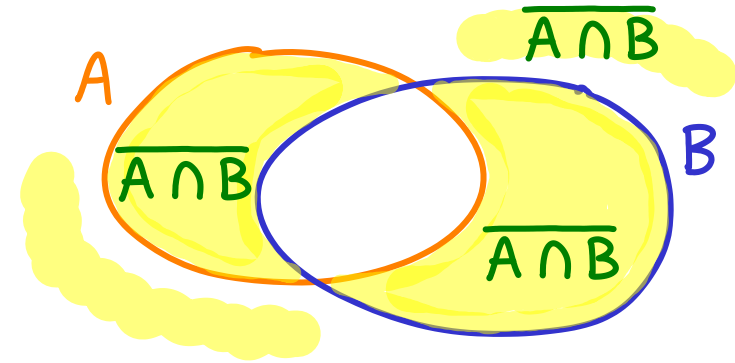
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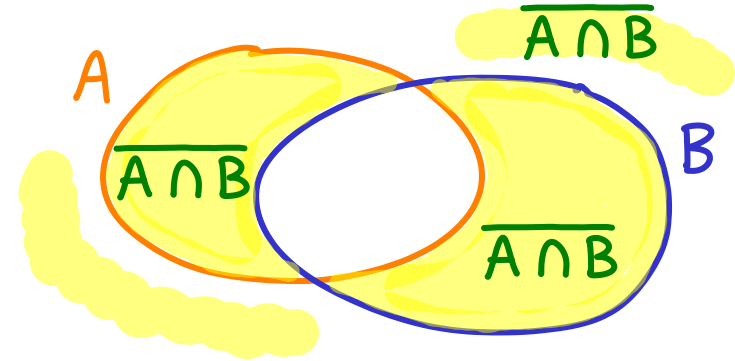
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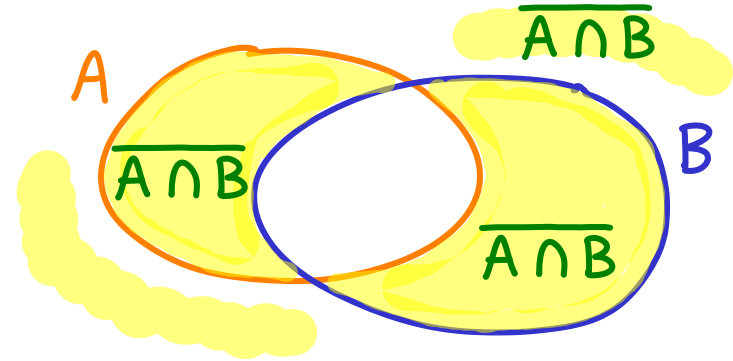


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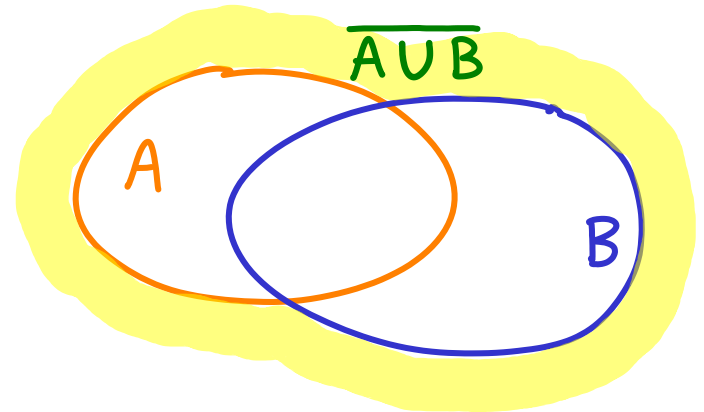
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SEQUENCES

Like sets, they are a collection of elements.

2 main differences:

- repeats OK $(a, b, a, b, a, a, b, b, \dots)$
- order matters $(a, b, c) \neq (c, b, a)$

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If we take the product of n copies of S , we write S^n

e.g., $\{0,1\}^3 = \{(0,0,0), (0,0,1), (0,1,0), (1,0,0), (0,1,1), (1,0,1), (1,1,0), (1,1,1)\}$

↑ set of corners of a cube

