

# CSE 311 Section 4

Set Theory & Structural Induction

# Announcements & Reminders

- Homework 4 Part 1 due today (5/7) @ **6:00 pm** on Cozy
- Homework 4 Part 2 due Monday (5/11) @ **6:00 pm** on Gradescope
- Quiz 4 next week on Thursday (5/14)
  - Please review the homework feedback before quizzes

# **Sets: Quick Review**



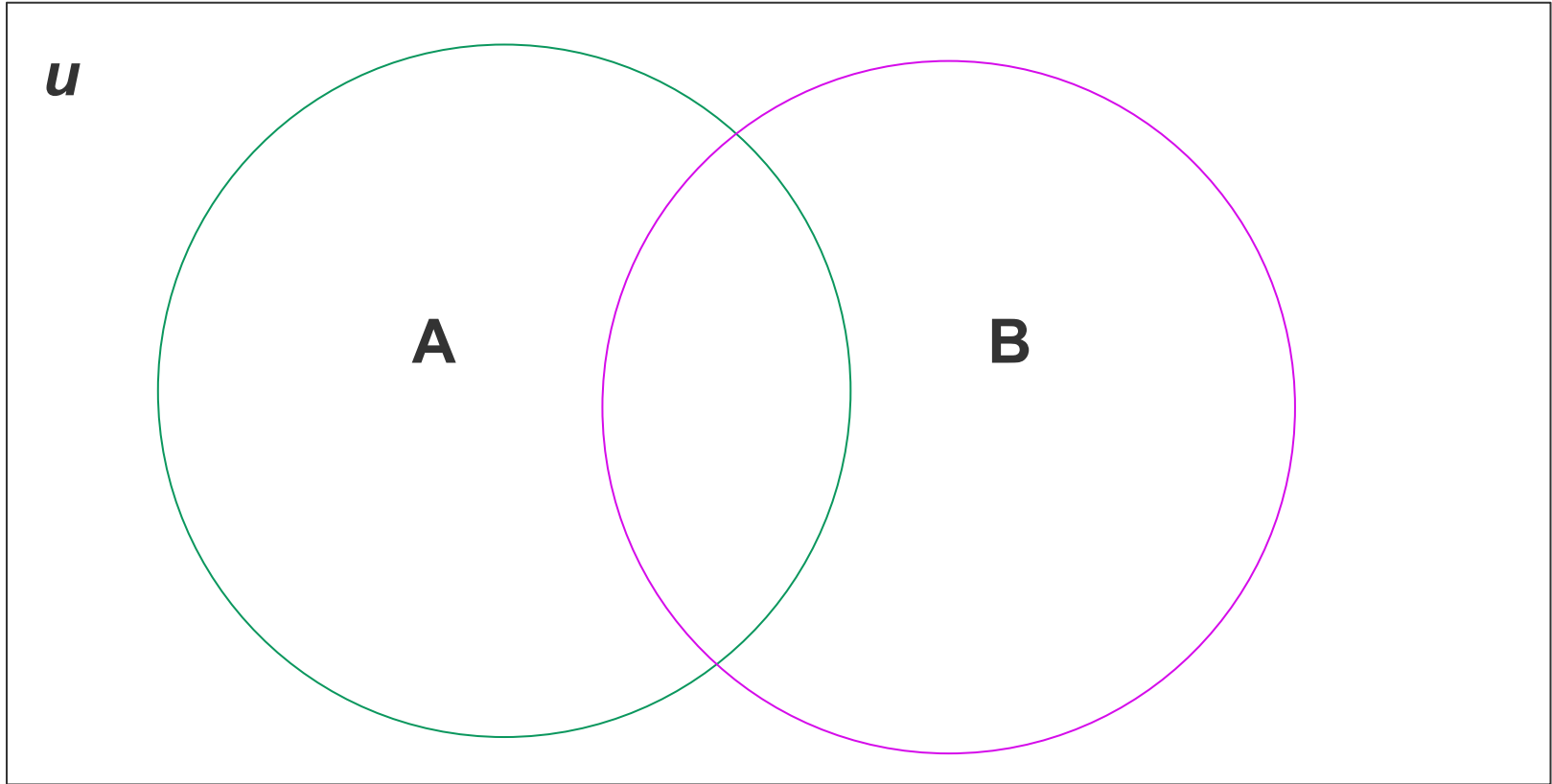
# Sets

- A set is an **unordered** group of **distinct** elements
  - Set variable names are capital letters, with lower-case letters for elements
- Set Notation:
  - $a \in A$ : “ $a$  is in  $A$ ” or “ $a$  is an element of  $A$ ”
  - $A \subseteq B$ : “ $A$  is a subset of  $B$ ”, every element of  $A$  is also in  $B$
  - $\emptyset$ : “empty set”, a unique set containing no elements
  - $\mathcal{P}(A)$ : “power set of  $A$ ”, the set of all subsets of  $A$  including the empty set and  $A$  itself

# Set Operators

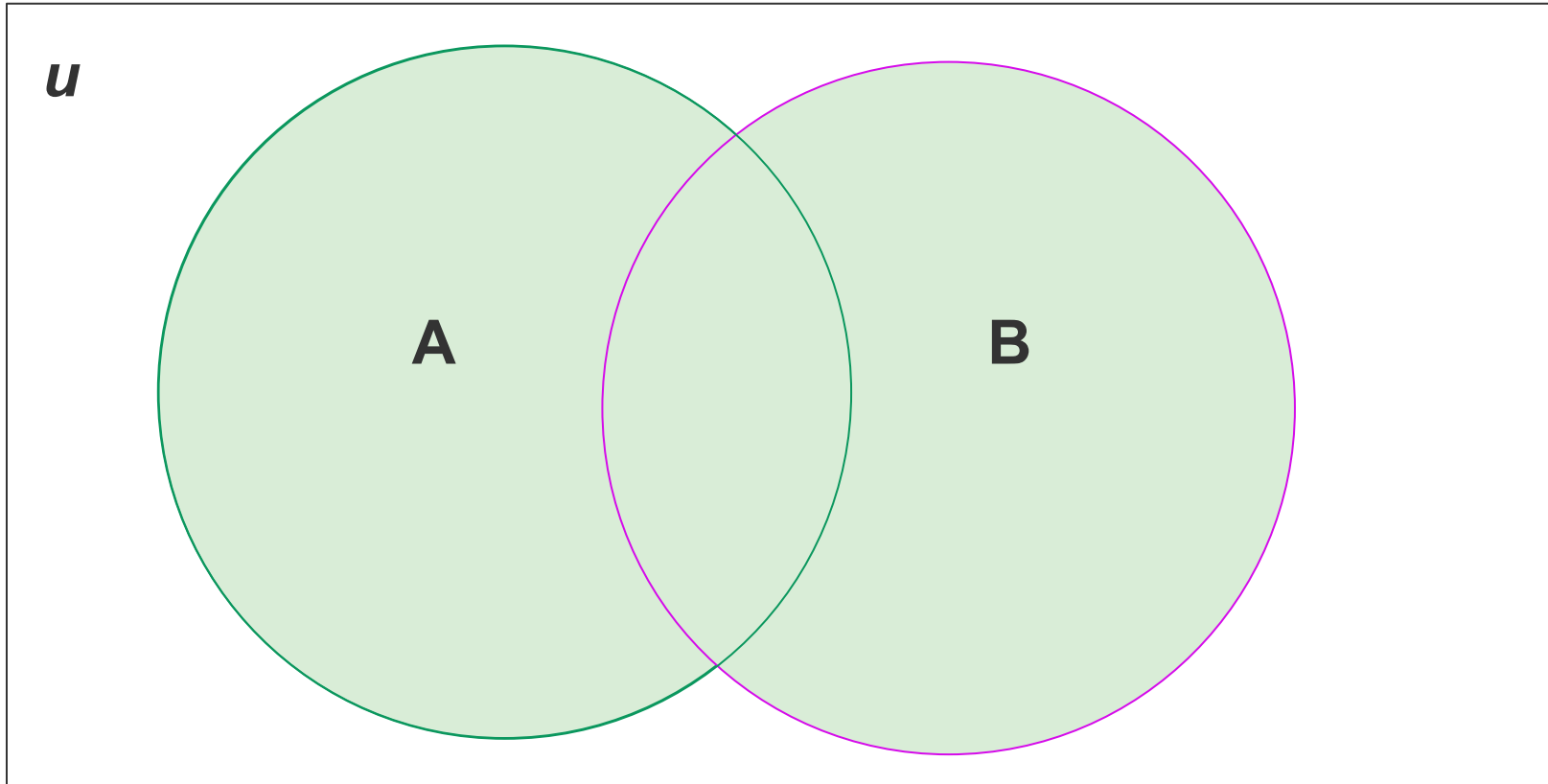
- Subset:  $A \subseteq B \equiv \forall x(x \in A \rightarrow x \in B)$
- Equality:  $A = B \equiv \forall x(x \in A \leftrightarrow x \in B) \equiv A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq A$
- Union:  $A \cup B = \{x: x \in A \vee x \in B\}$
- Intersection:  $A \cap B = \{x: x \in A \wedge x \in B\}$
- Complement:  $\overline{A} = \{x: x \notin A\}$
- Difference:  $A \setminus B = \{x: x \in A \wedge x \notin B\}$
- Cartesian Product:  $A \times B = \{(a, b): a \in A \wedge b \in B\}$

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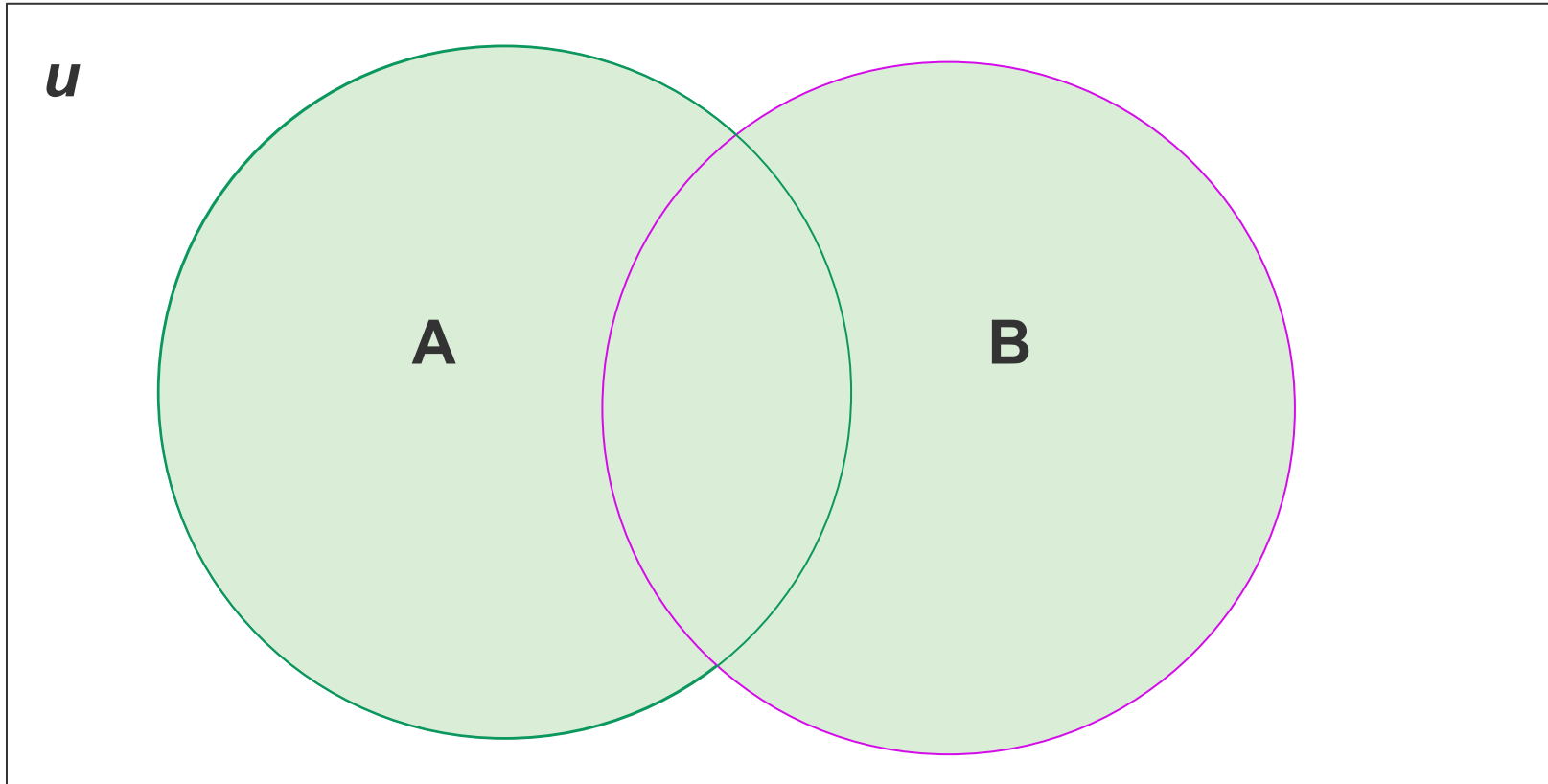
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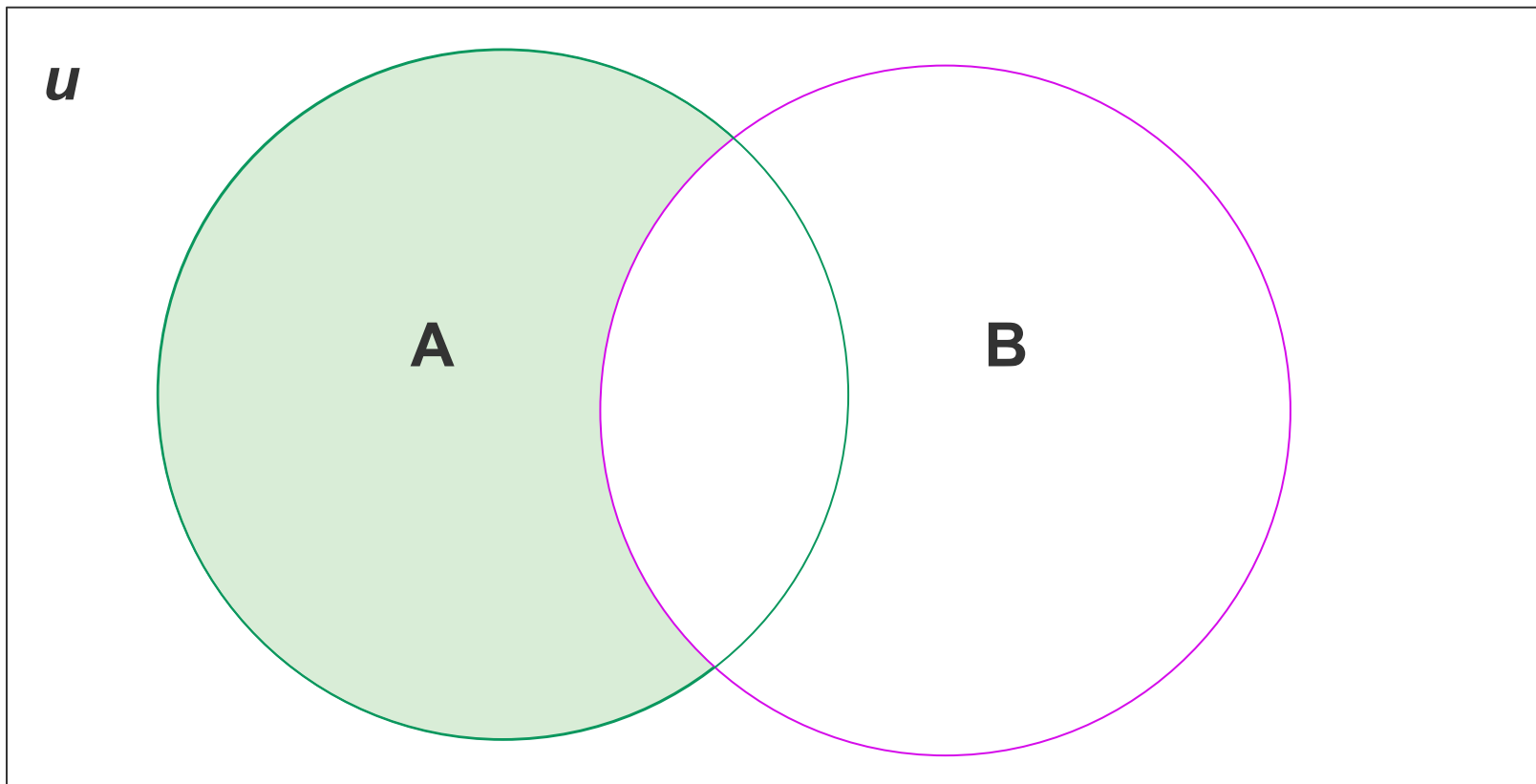
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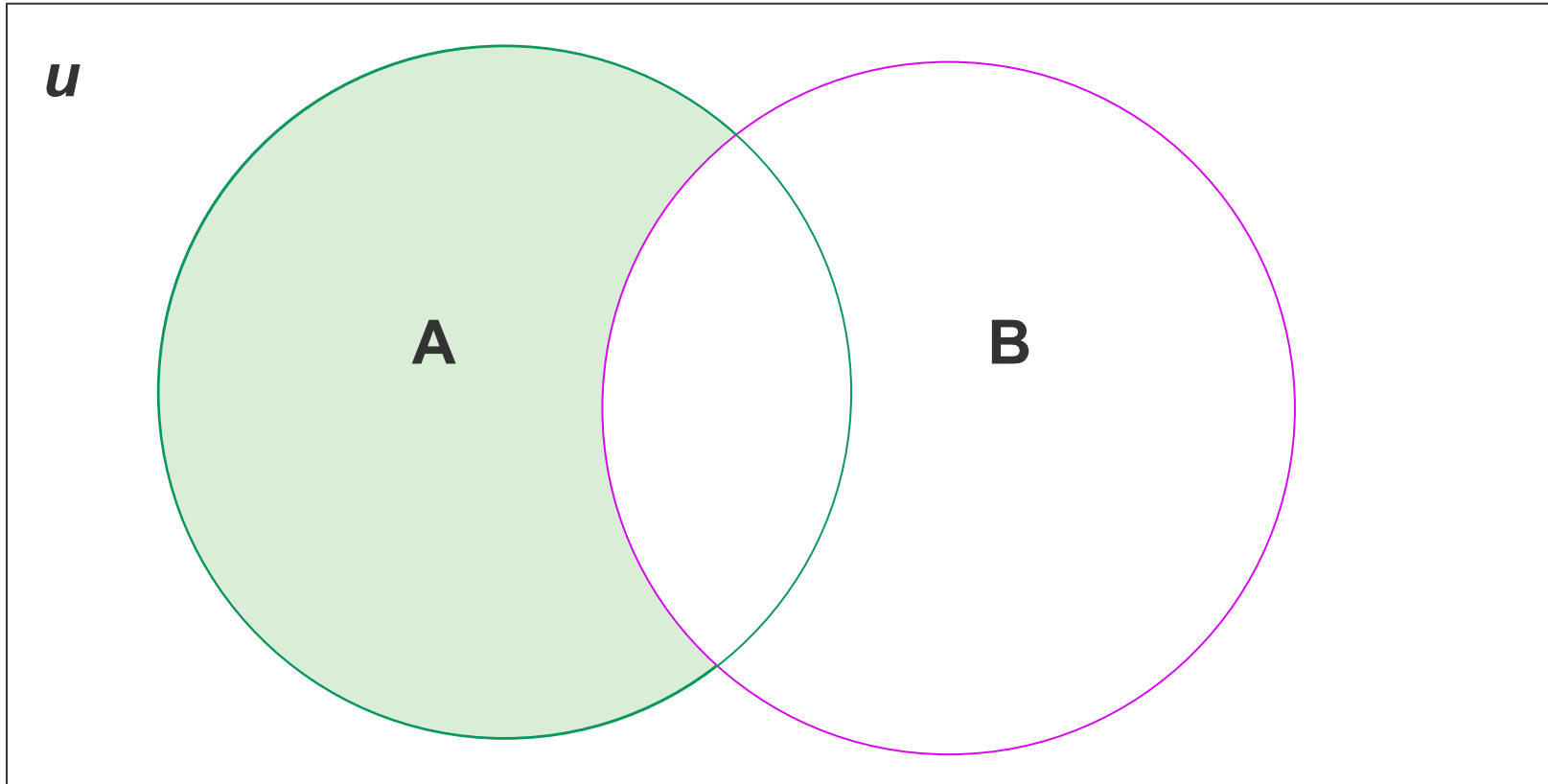
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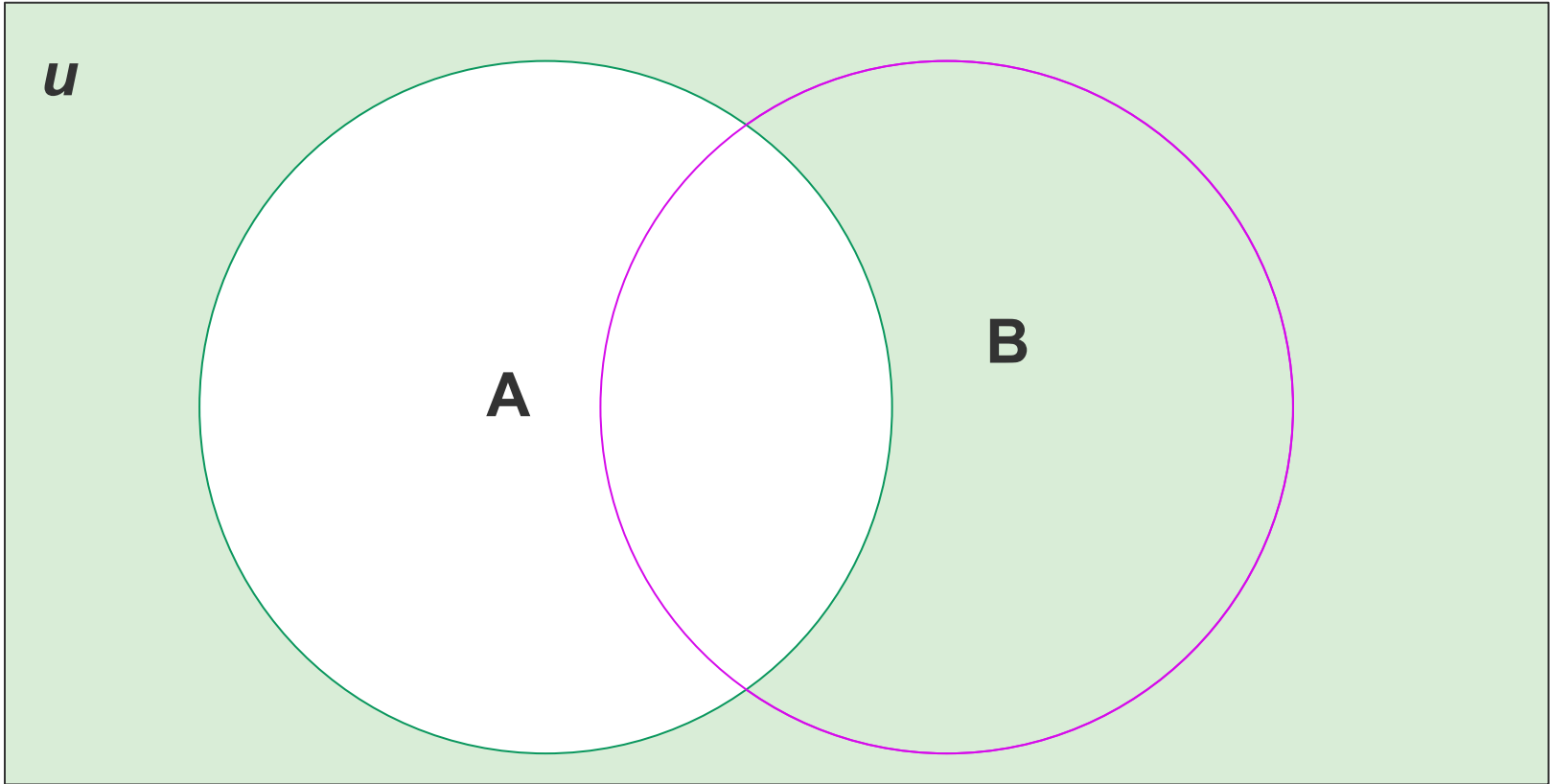
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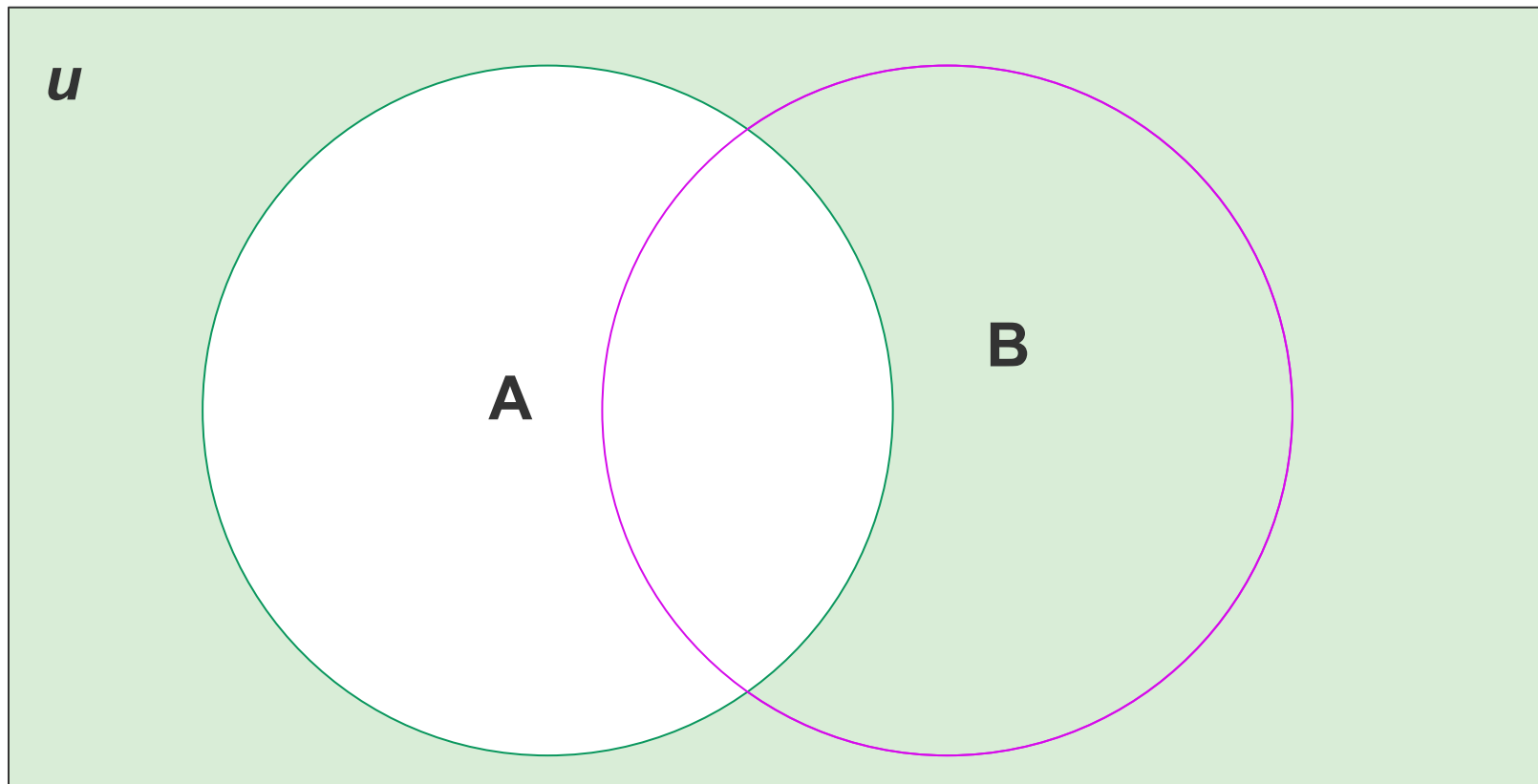
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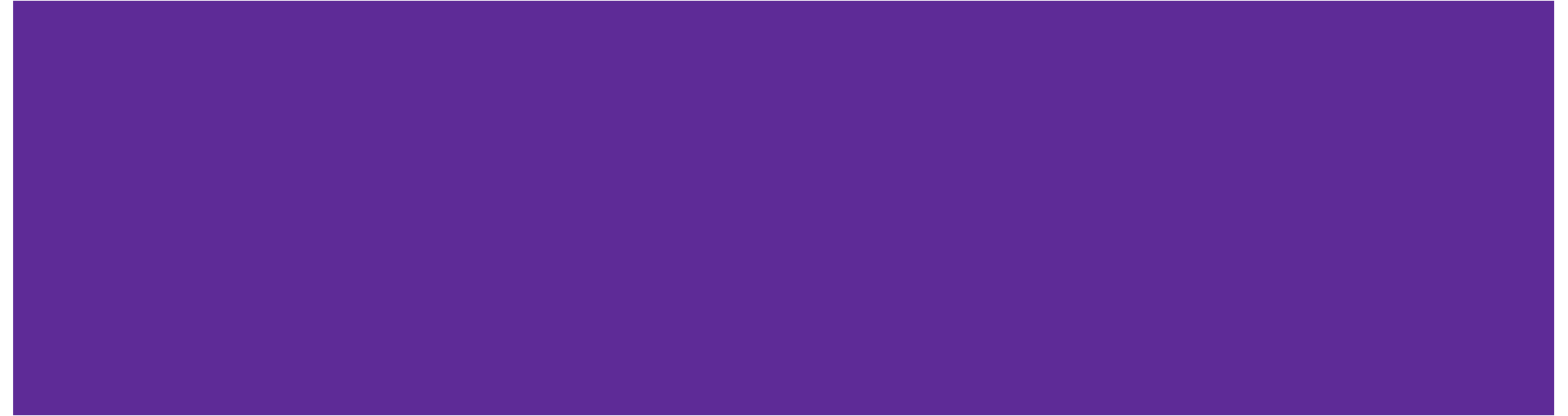
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# Cartesian Product!



# Problem 1: Cartesian Product

Definition of Cartesian Product:

$$A \times B ::= \{x : \exists a \in A, \exists b \in B (x = (a, b))\}$$

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- c) Write an **English proof** that the claim holds.

Follow the structure of our template for subset proofs.

**Note:** even though we want you to write your proof directly in English, it must still look like the translation of a formal proof. In particular, you must include all steps that would be required of a formal proof, excepting only those that we have explicitly said are okay to skip in English proofs.

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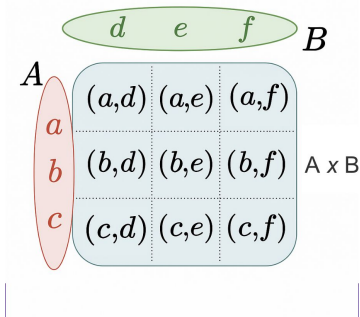
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Let  $x$  be an **arbitrary** object.

Suppose that  $x \in (A \cap B) \times C$ .

Remember,  $x$  is just a coordinate point!



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Work a step back!

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Since  $c \in C$ , then  $c \in C$  or  $c \in D$ . Then, by definition of union,  $c \in C \cup D$ .

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# Structural Induction



# Idea of Structural Induction

Every **element is built up recursively...**

So to show  $P(s)$  for all  $s...$

Show  $P(b)$  for all base case elements  $b$ .

Show for an arbitrary element not in the base case, if  $P()$  holds for every named element in the recursive rule, then  $P()$  holds for the new element (each recursive rule will be a case of this proof).

# Structural Induction Template

Let  $P(x)$  be “<predicate>”. We show  $P(x)$  holds for all  $x$  by structural induction.

Base Case: Show  $P(x)$

[Do that for every base cases  $x$ .]

Inductive Hypothesis: Suppose  $P(x)$  for an arbitrary  $x$

[Do that for every  $x$  listed as in  $S$  in the recursive rules.]

Inductive Step: Show  $P(y)$  holds for  $y$ .

[You will need a separate case/step for every recursive rule.]

Therefore  $P(x)$  holds for all  $x$  by the principle of induction.

# Problem 4 - Structural Induction

Let  $P(L)$  be “”.

We show  $P(L)$  holds for all  $L \in S$  by structural induction on  $L$ .

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**We can do casework!**

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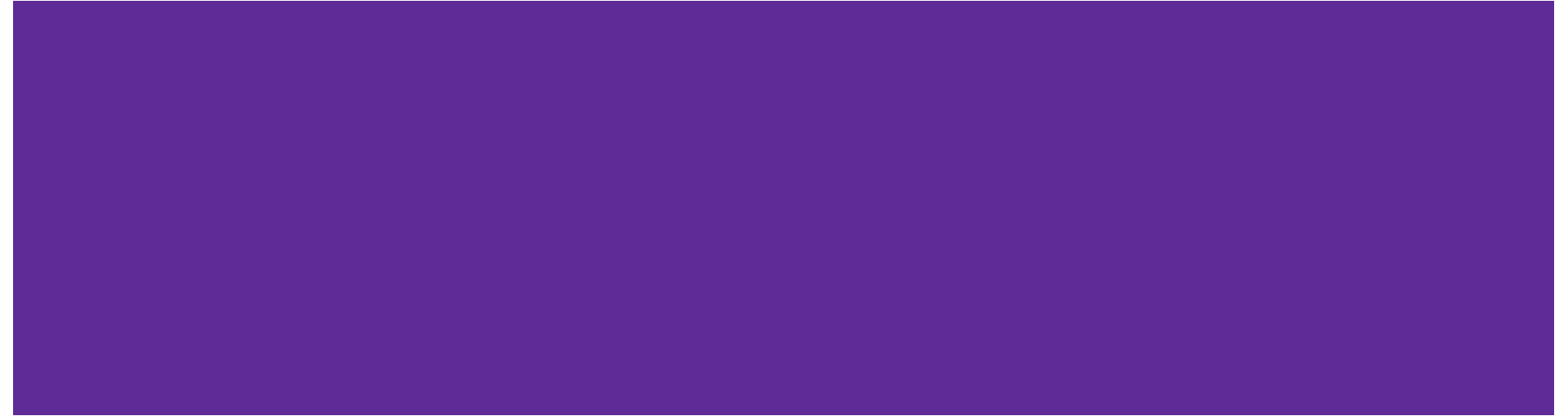
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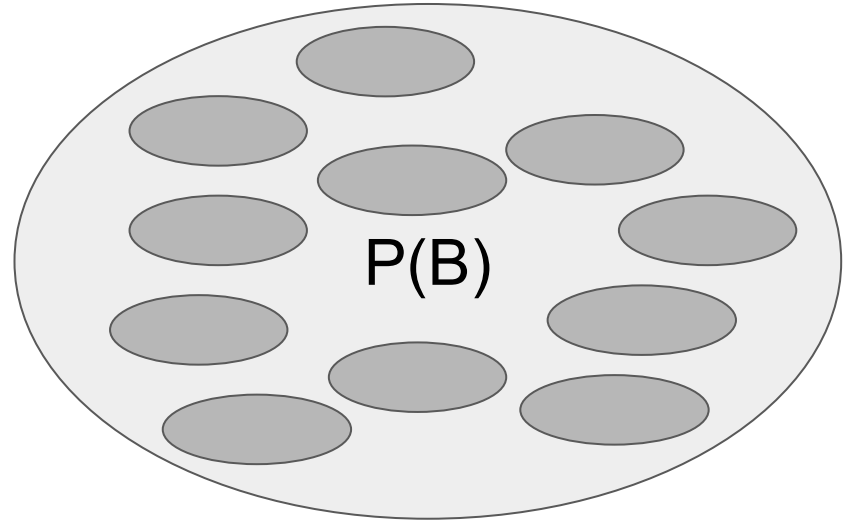
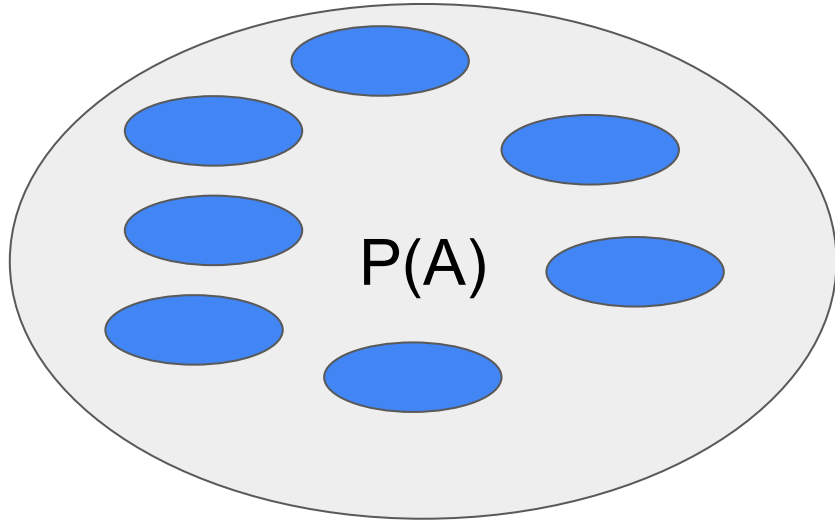
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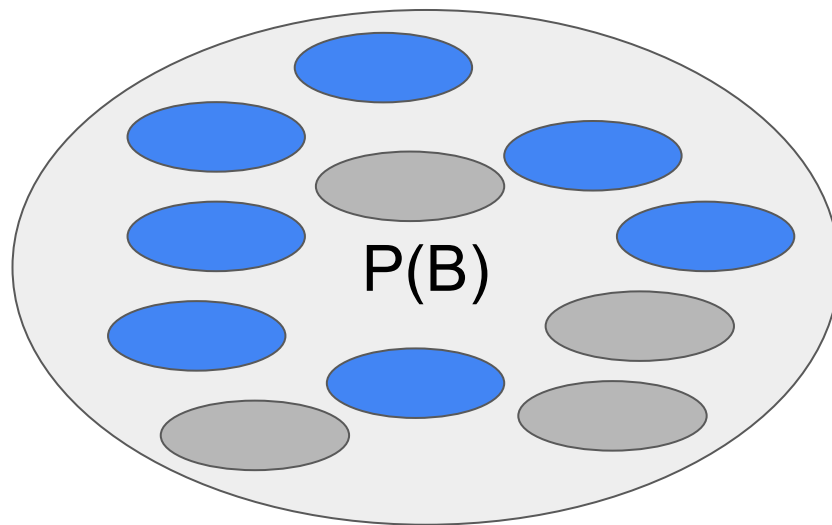
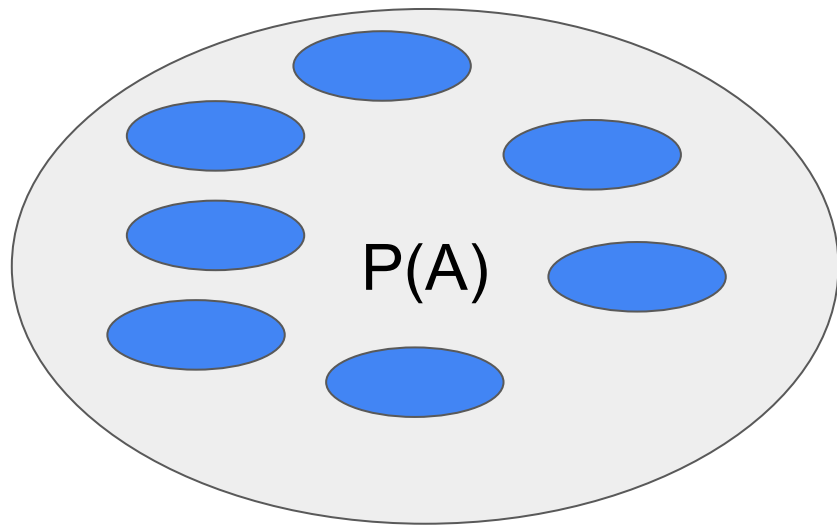
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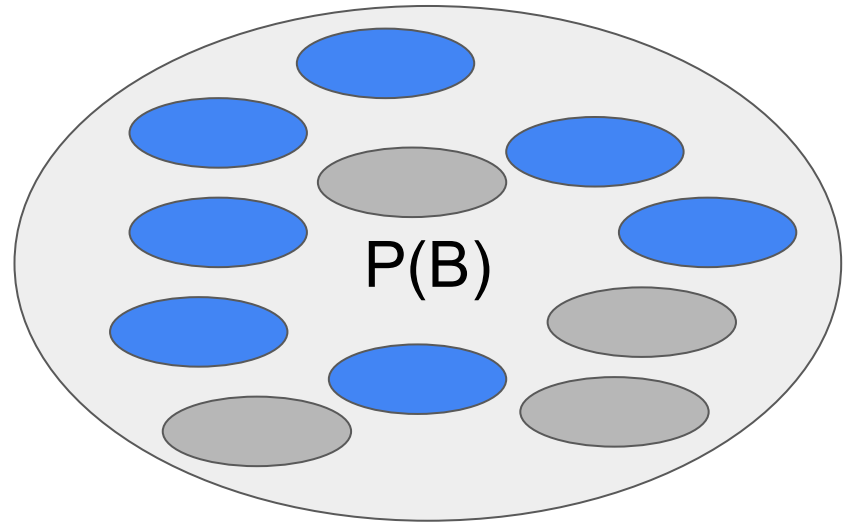
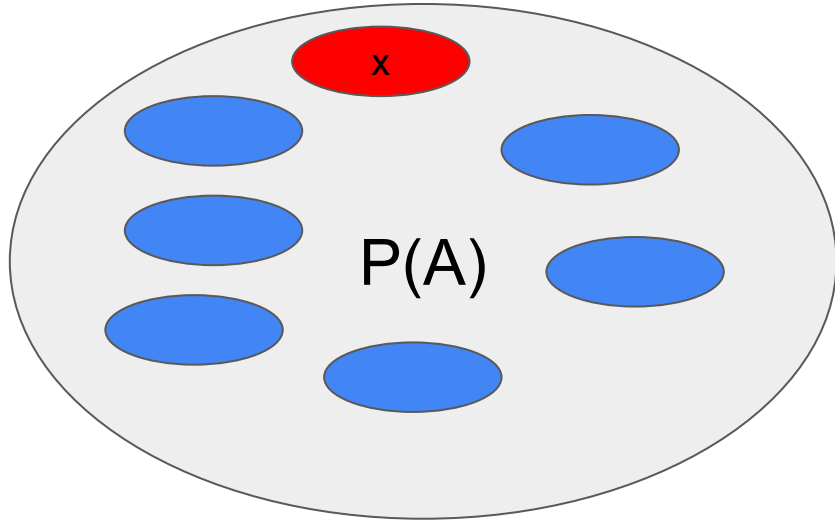
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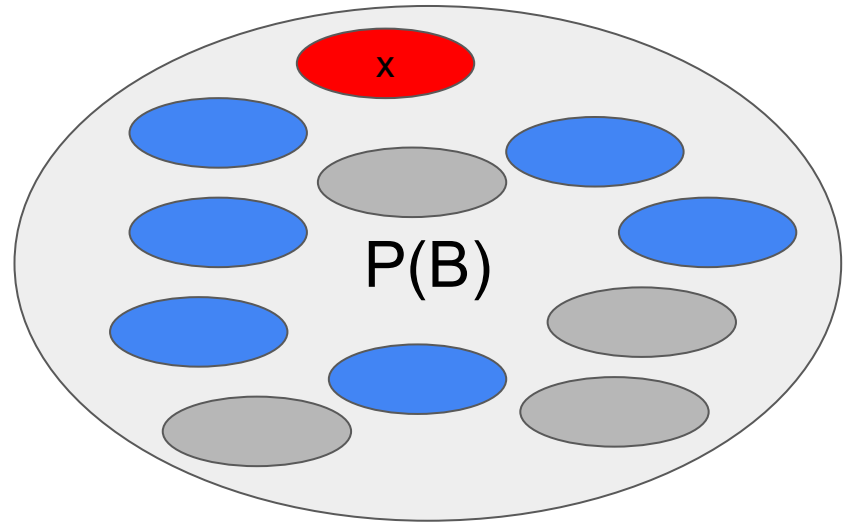
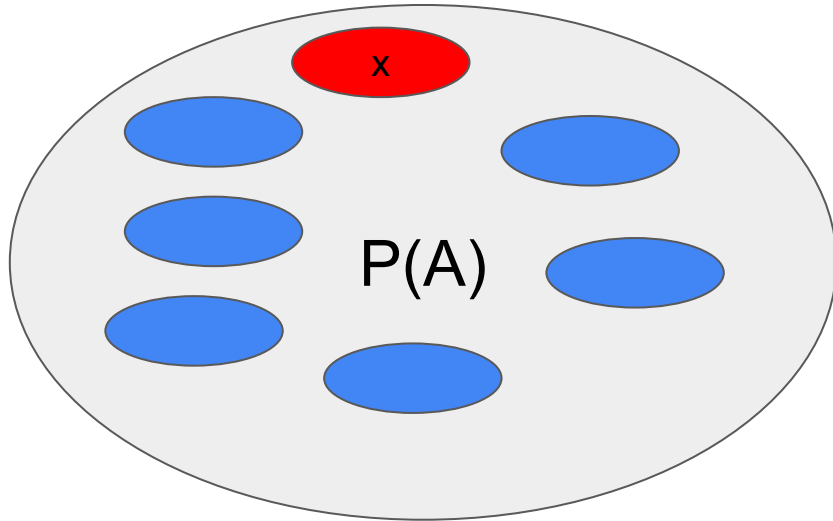


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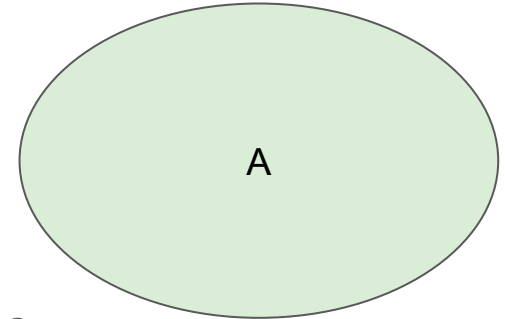
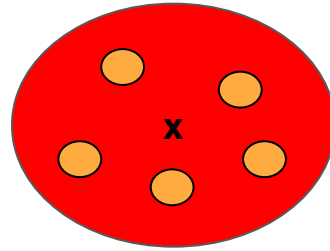
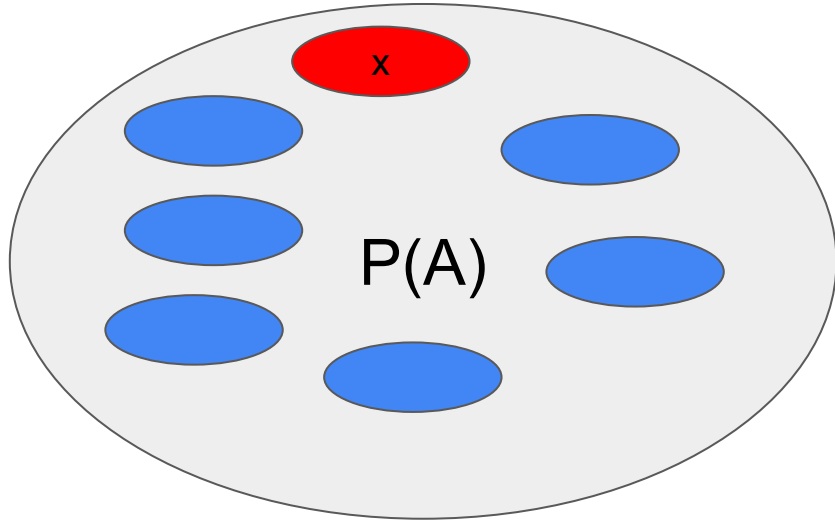


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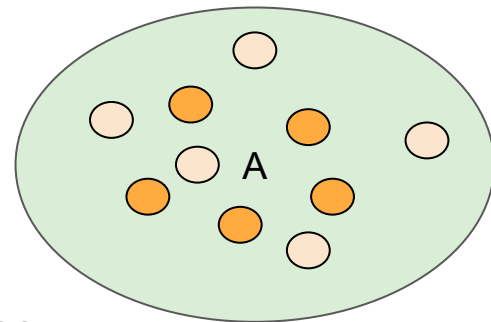
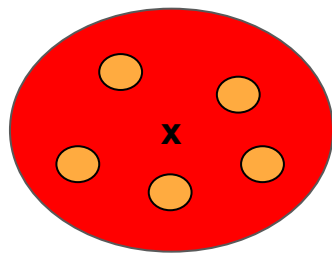
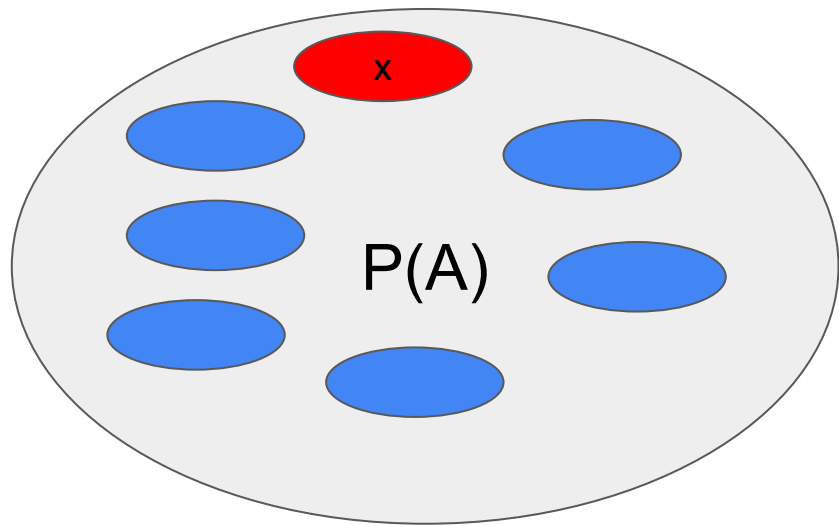


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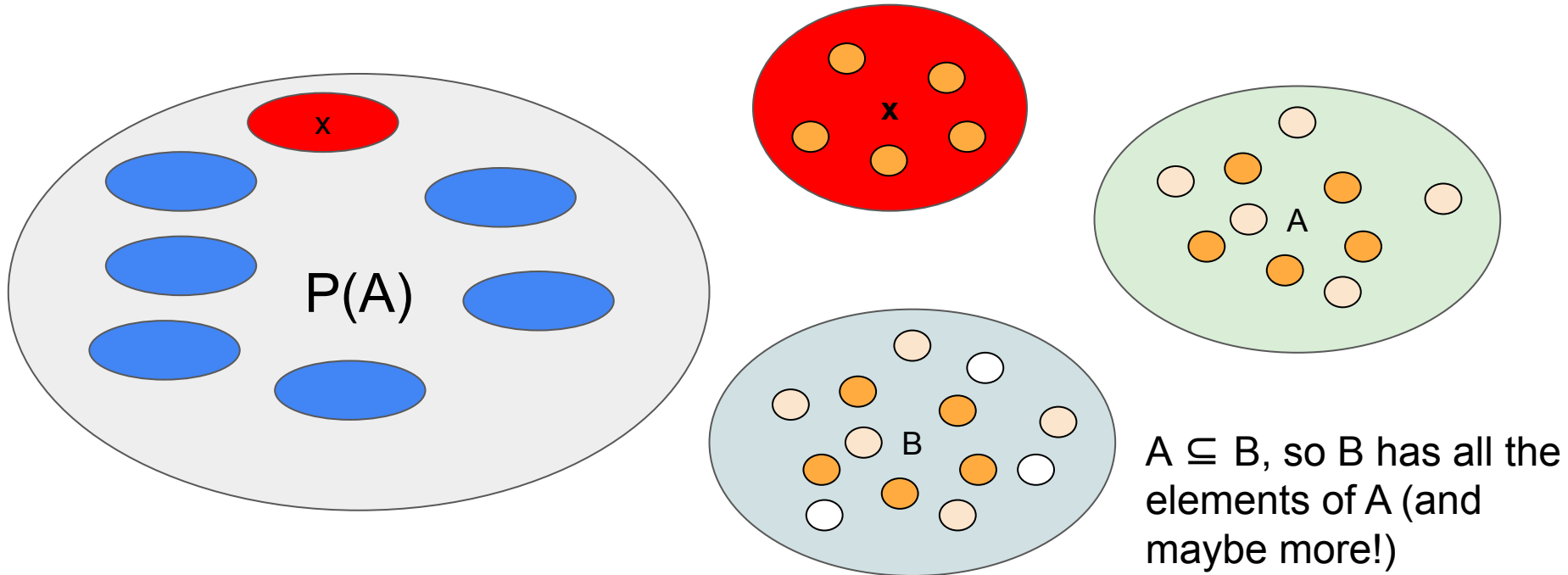
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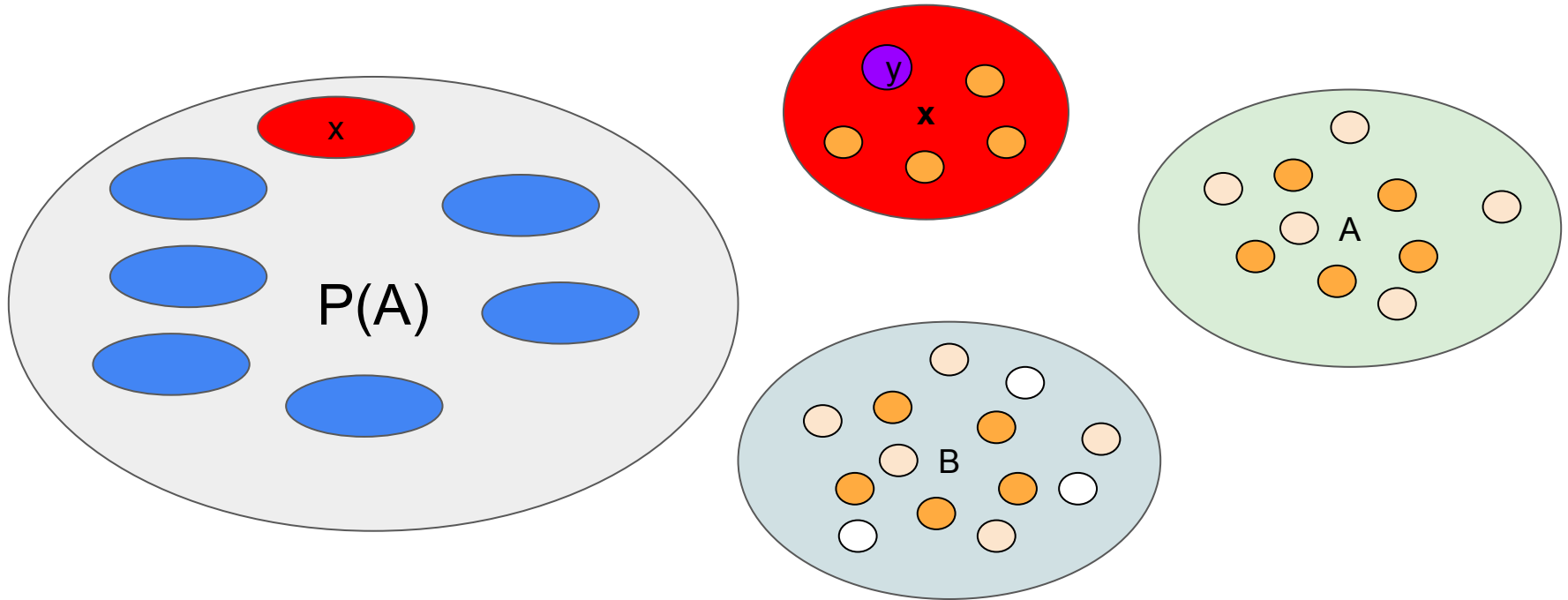


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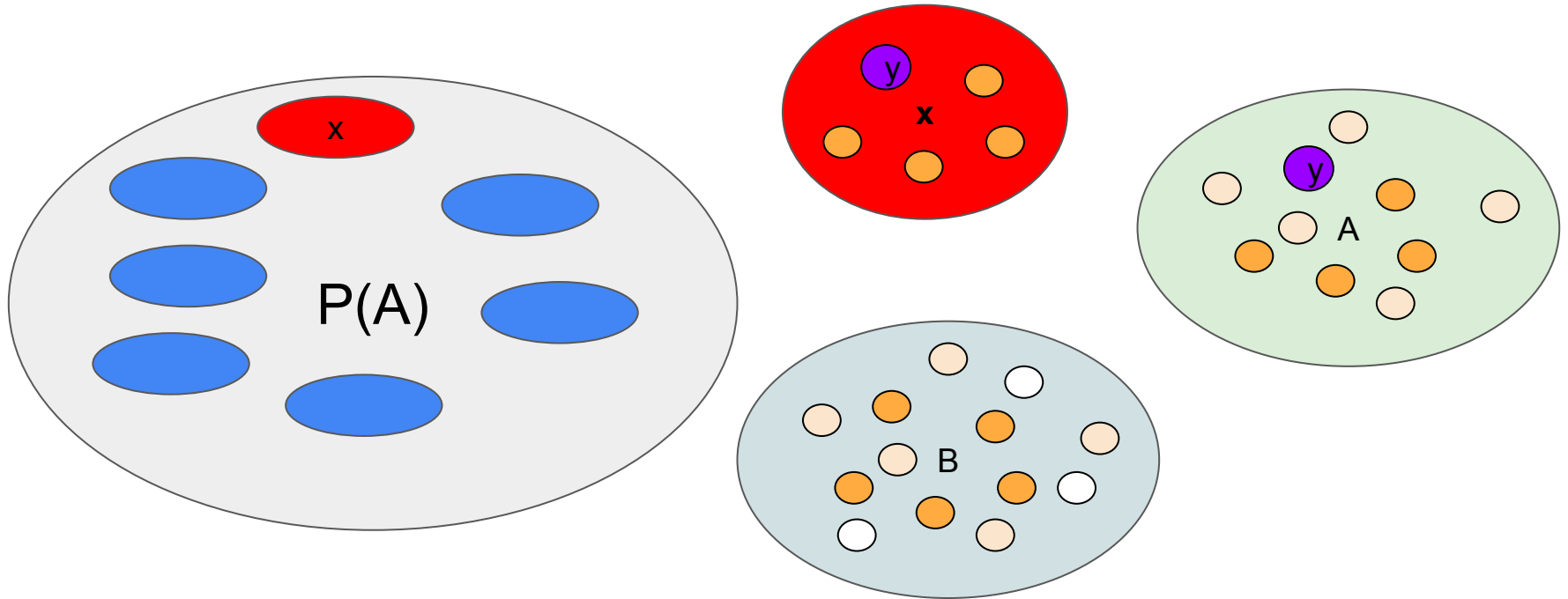
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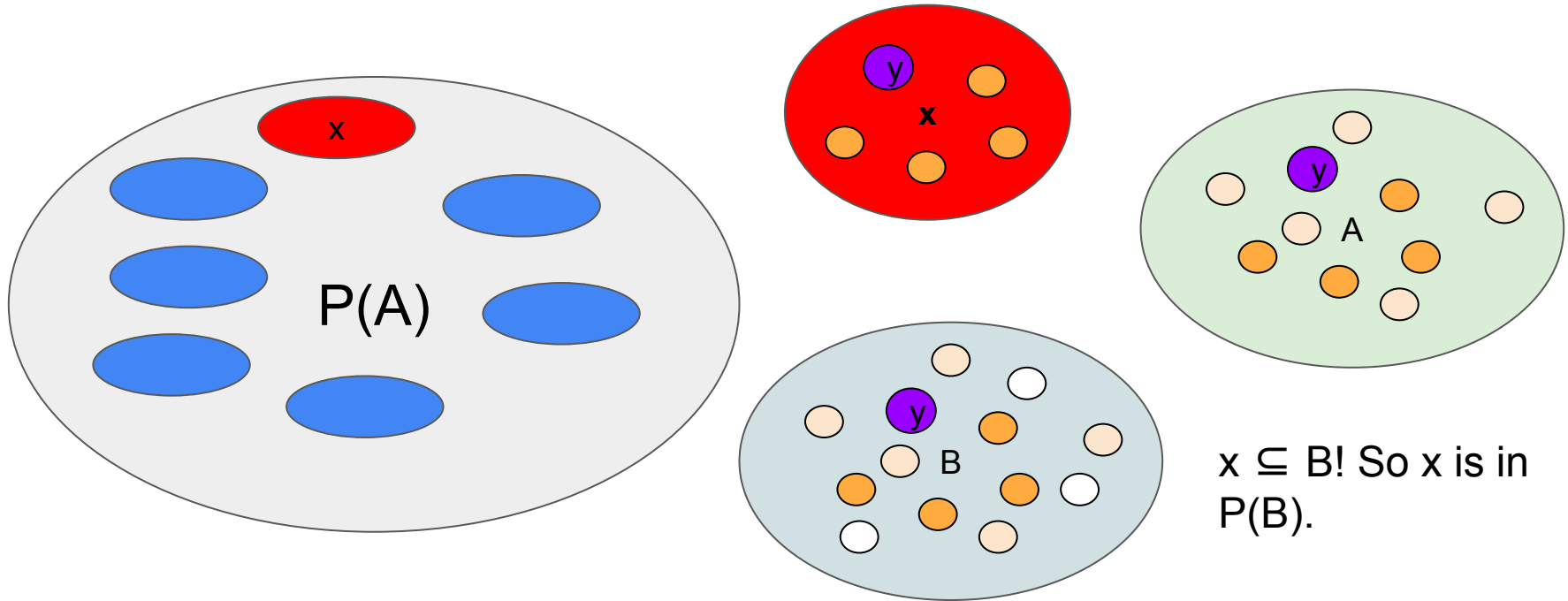
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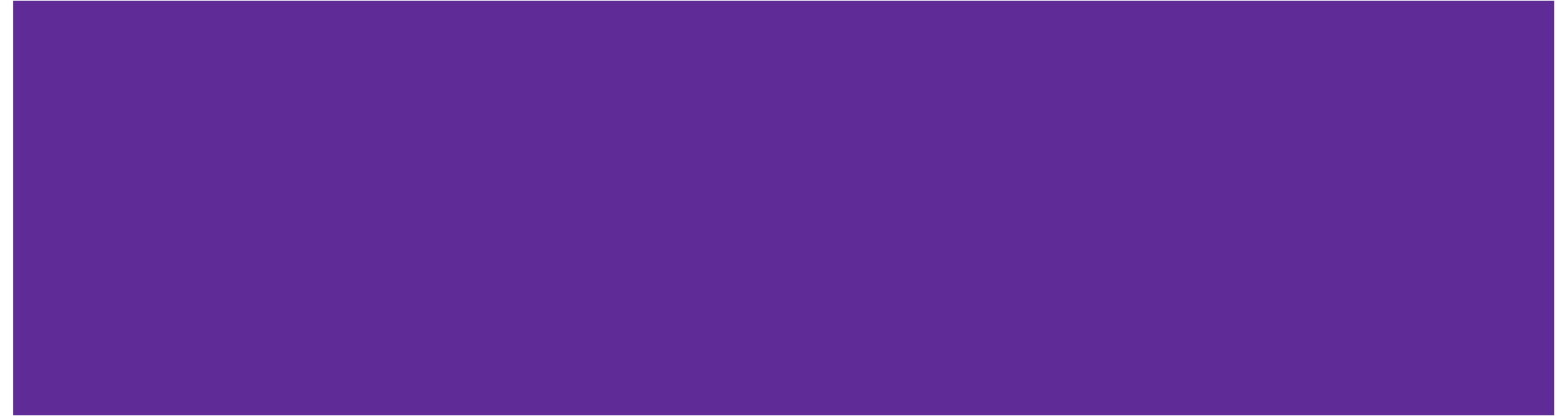
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Since  $X$  was an arbitrary set, any set in  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  is in  $\mathcal{P}(B)$ , or, by definition of subset,  $\mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B)$ . We have shown the claim.

# Problem 2c - Formal Proof

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|-----|---|---------------------------|
| 1.  | $A \subseteq B$                                 | Given                     |
| 2.  | $\forall z (z \in A \rightarrow z \in B)$       | Def of subset (1)         |
|     | Let X be arbitrary                              |                           |
|     | 3.1.1 $X \in P(A)$                              | Assumption                |
|     | 3.1.2 $X \subseteq A$                           | Def of powerset (3.1.1)   |
|     | 3.1.3 $\forall y (y \in X \rightarrow y \in A)$ | Def of subset (3.1.2)     |
|     | Let x be arbitrary                              |                           |
|     | 3.1.4.1 $x \in X \rightarrow x \in A$           | Elim $\forall$ (3.1.3)    |
|     | 3.1.4.2 $x \in A \rightarrow x \in B$           | Elim $\forall$ (2)        |
|     | 3.1.4.3.1 $x \in X$                             | Assumption                |
|     | 3.1.4.3.2 $x \in A$                             | MP (3.1.4.3.1, 3.1.4.1)   |
|     | 3.1.4.3.3 $x \in B$                             | MP (3.1.4.3.2, 3.1.4.2)   |
|     | 3.1.4.3 $x \in X \rightarrow x \in B$           | Direct Proof              |
|     | 3.1.4 $\forall y (y \in X \rightarrow y \in B)$ | Intro $\forall$ (3.1.4.3) |
|     | 3.1.5 $X \subseteq B$                           | Def of subset (3.1.4)     |
|     | 3.1.6 $X \in P(B)$                              | Def of powerset (3.1.5)   |
| 3.1 | $X \in P(A) \rightarrow X \in P(B)$             | Direct Proof              |
| 3.  | $\forall Y (Y \in P(A) \rightarrow Y \in P(B))$ | Intro $\forall$           |
| 4.  | $P(A) \subseteq P(B)$                           | Def of subset (3)         |

# Set Equality and Meta Theorem



# Set Equality

- To prove that sets  $A$ ,  $B$  are equal ( $A = B$ ), you must prove that  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq A$
- This can be done via two subset proofs or using Meta Theorem
- Meta Theorem proof structure:

**“Proof”:** Let  $x$  be an arbitrary object.

The stated bi-condition holds since:

$x \in$  left side  $\equiv$  replace set ops with propositional logic  
 $\equiv$  apply Propositional Logic equivalence  
 $\equiv$  replace propositional logic with set ops  
 $\equiv x \in$  right side

Since  $x$  was arbitrary, we have shown, by definition, that the sets are equal. ■

# Set Equality

Some equivalences you can use in a Meta Theorem Proof:

- $x \in A \cup B \equiv x \in A \vee x \in B$  (Definition of Union)
- $x \in A \cap B \equiv x \in A \wedge x \in B$  (Definition of Intersection)
- $x \in A^c \equiv \neg(x \in A)$  (Definition of Complement)
- $x \in A / B \equiv x \in A \wedge \neg(x \in B)$  (Definition of Set Difference)
- $x \in A \oplus B \equiv x \in A \oplus x \in B$  (Definition of Symmetric Difference)

## Problem 3

Let  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  be sets. State if the claims below are true or false. If true, prove it. If false, provide a counterexample.

a)  $(A \setminus B) \setminus C = A \setminus (B \cap C)$

b)  $A \setminus (B \cup C) = (A \setminus B) \cap (A \setminus C)$

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This claim is **false**.

If  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $B = \{1, 2\}$ , and  $C = \{2, 3\}$ , then

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

$$(A \setminus B) \setminus C = \{3\} \setminus \{2, 3\} = \emptyset$$

$$B \cap C = \{1, 2\} \cap \{2, 3\} = \{2\}$$

$$A \setminus (B \cap C) = \{1, 2, 3\} \setminus \{2\} = \{1, 3\}$$

$$(A \setminus B) \setminus C = \emptyset \neq \{1, 3\} = A \setminus (B \cap C)$$

## Problem 3

b)  $A \setminus (B \cup C) = (A \setminus B) \cap (A \setminus C)$

# Problem 3

$$\text{b) } A \setminus (B \cup C) = (A \setminus B) \cap (A \setminus C)$$

This claim is **true**. Here is a proof.

Let  $x$  be arbitrary. We can see that the condition of being in the first set is equivalent to being in the second set as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} x \in A \setminus (B \cup C) &\equiv x \in A \wedge \neg(x \in (B \cup C)) && \text{[Def of Set Difference]} \\ &\equiv x \in A \wedge \neg(x \in B \vee x \in C) && \text{[Def of Union]} \\ &\equiv x \in A \wedge (x \notin B \wedge x \notin C) && \text{[De Morgan]} \\ &\equiv (x \in A \wedge x \in A) \wedge (x \notin B \wedge x \notin C) && \text{[Idempotency]} \\ &\equiv (x \in A \wedge x \notin B) \wedge (x \in A \wedge x \notin C) && \text{[Associativity/Commutativity]} \\ &\equiv (x \in (A \setminus B)) \wedge (x \in (A \setminus C)) && \text{[Def of Set Difference]} \\ &\equiv x \in (A \setminus B) \cap (A \setminus C) && \text{[Def of Intersection]} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $x$  was arbitrary, we have shown the sets are the same by the definition of equality.

**That's all Folks!**

