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This Chapter:

- Identifying and specifying partitions of a set.
- 2) Finding the Cartesian Product of two sets.
- 3) Finding the Power Set of a set

Given two sets A and B, the Cartesian Product of A and B ($A \times B$, or "A cross B") is defined as

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

So the result of A cross B is a set of coordinate pairs, which are combinations of the elements from A and B.

Additionally, $A \times A$ is written as A^2

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A = \{1, 2\} and B = \{3\}
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The result of $A \times B$ is $\{(1, 3), (2, 3)\}$

And the result of $B \times A$ is $\{(3, 1), (3, 2)\}$

So note that $A \times B \neq B \times A$

It might be helpful to first write out all the coordinate pairs in a table before writing it out as a set...

$$A = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$$
 $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

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B → A ↓	1	2	3	4	5
2	(2,1)	(2,2)	(2,3)	(2,4)	(2,5)
4	(4,1)	(4,2)	(4,3)	(4,4)	(4,5)
6	(6,1)	(6,2)	(6,3)	(6,4)	(6,5)
8	(8,1)	(8,2)	(8,3)	(8,4)	(8,5)

Remember that A's elements make up the x coordinate and B's elements make up the y coordinate!

In mathematics, the power set (or powerset) of any set S is the set of all subsets of S, including the empty set and S itself.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Power_set

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If S is the set \{x, y, z\}, then the subsets are: \{\} (empty set \emptyset), \{x\}, \{y\}, \{z\}, \{x, y\}, \{x, z\}, \{y, z\}, \{x, y, z\}
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and hence the power set of S is $\{ \emptyset, \{x\}, \{y\}, \{z\}, \{x, y\}, \{x, z\}, \{y, z\}, \{x, y, z\} \}$

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It might help to substitute each ordered pair with another variable, like j = (1, 3) and k = (2, 3). This way, you can see that the set has two elements, and the Power Set will have some combination of these.

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The Power Set of A is $\{ \emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{1, 2\} \}$. The Power Set of B is $\{ \emptyset, \{3\} \}$

The cross of these two would be: $\{\emptyset, (\{1\}, \{3\}), (\{2\}, \{3\}), (\{1, 2\}, \{3\})\}$

Again, it might be helpful to come up with substitutions if you're finding it hard to keep all the subsets straight.

Partitions

For each set A, a *partition* of A is a set of subsets of A, such that...:

- 1. For all i, $s_i \neq \emptyset$ (Each part is non-empty)
- 2. For all i and j, if $S_i \neq S_j$, then $S_i \cap S_j = \emptyset$ (Different parts have nothing in common)
- 3. $S_1 \cup S_2 \cup S_3 \cup ... = A$ (Every element in A is in some part)

Partitions

Given some set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, There are many valid partitions, so long as each element shows up in the partition set.

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{ {1}, {2}, {3, 4} }

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Let's do some more examples...