

# Mathematics Foundations (CBCA104)

Lecture-4

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# Outline

- Power Set
- Universal Set

## Power Set

Given the set  $S = \{0, 1\}$ . What are all the possible subsets of  $S$ ?

- They are:  $\emptyset$  (as it is a subset of all sets),  $\{0\}$ ,  $\{1\}$ , and  $\{0, 1\}$ .
- The power set of  $S$  (written as  $P(S)$ ) is the set of all the subsets of  $S$ .

$$P(S) = \{ \emptyset, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{0, 1\} \}.$$

- Note that  $|S| = 2$  and  $|P(S)| = 4$

## Power Set

- Let  $T = \{0, 1, 2\}$ . The  $P(T) = \{ \emptyset, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{0,1\}, \{0,2\}, \{1,2\}, \{0,1,2\} \}$ .

**Note that  $|T| = 3$  and  $|P(T)| = 8$**

- $P(\emptyset) = \{ \emptyset \}$

**Note that  $|\emptyset| = 0$  and  $|P(\emptyset)| = 1$ .**

- If a set has  $n$  elements, then the power set will have  $2^n$  elements.

- Note that  $\emptyset \neq \{ \emptyset \}$ .

The first is a set of zero elements. The second is a set of 1 element (that one element being the empty set).

## Power Set

Which of the following is not element of power set of  $\{2,3\}$ ?

- I.  $\{2\}$
- II.  $\{3\}$
- III.  $\{\{2, 3\}\}$
- IV.  $\{2, 3\}$

Answer:  $\{\{2, 3\}\}$

If set  $A=\{1, 2, 3\}$  then which of the following is incorrect?

- I.  $\phi \in A$
- II.  $\phi \in P(A)$
- III.  $\phi \subset A$
- IV.  $\phi \subset P(A)$

Answer:  $\phi \in A$

# Universal Set

- The set that contains all sets given in a context is called Universal Set.

(The set that contains everything.) The universal set is denoted by  $U$ .

- Example: If  $A=\{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $B=\{2, 4, 5, 6\}$  and  $C=\{1, 3, 5, 7\}$ .

Then the Universal Set is,  $U=\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$ .

# Universal Set

- If  $A = \{x: x \text{ is a student of class BCA- B1, 2022}\}$ ,  
 $B = \{x: x \text{ is a student of class BCA- B2, 2022}\}$ ,  
 $C = \{x: x \text{ is a student of class BCA- B3, 2022}\}$ ,  
 $D = \{x: x \text{ is a student of class BCA- B4, 2022}\}$ .

Then Universal Set  $U$  is

$\{x: x \text{ is a student of class BCA, 2022}\}$ .

## Universal Set

- For the set of all integers ( $\mathbf{Z}$ ), the universal set can be set of rational numbers ( $\mathbf{Q}$ ) or set of real numbers ( $\mathbf{R}$ ).
- What universal set you would propose for each of the following?
  - (i) The set of right triangles
  - (ii) The set of the isosceles triangles

Set of triangles.



## Exercise

Find the pairs of equal sets, if any, give reason:

$$A=\{0\},$$

$$B=\{x: x < 5 \text{ and } x > 15\},$$

$$C=\{x: x-5=0\},$$

$$D=\{x: x^2 = 25\},$$

$$E=\{x: x \text{ is an integral positive solution of the equation } x^2 - 2x - 15 = 0\}.$$

$$\text{Given sets are: } A=\{0\},$$

$$B = \text{Empty Set},$$

$$C=\{5\},$$

$$D=\{-5, 5\},$$

$$E = \{5\}.$$

Thus Sets,  $C=E$ .