## Sets, Functions, and Predicates

CSC165 Week 1

## **Mathematical Sets**

- A collection of elements
- unordered
- distinct

## Examples:

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

$$\{1, 2, 5\} = \{1, 1, 5, 1, 2\}$$

{Monday, Tuesday, ... Friday}

$$\emptyset$$
 = empty set = { }

An example of a set of subsets: (all combinations of a, b, and c)

2<sup>3</sup> elements because each subset will include a or not include a which is 2 choices. Do this for b and c and you get 2x2x2 combinations.

$$x \in S$$
 "x is an element of S"

$$A \subset S$$
 "A is a subset of S"

$$A \subseteq S$$

 $\mathbb{R}$  = real numbers

 $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, ...\}$  including zero!

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{ ..., -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \}$$

$$\mathbb{Q} = \{ \quad | m, n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } n \neq 0 \}$$

3 is an element of the rational numbers because

$$\frac{3}{1} \in \mathbb{C}$$

Difference:  $\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\} = \{1, 2, 3, ...\} = \mathbb{Z}^+$  "positive integers"

$$A \cap B = \{ x \mid x \in A \text{ and } x \in B \}$$
 "both"  
 $A \cup B = \{ x \mid x \in A \text{ or } x \in B \}$  "either"

## Set Operations

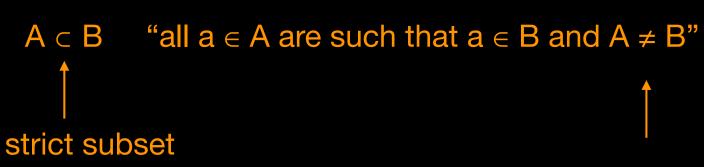
$$A \times B = \{ (a,b) | a \in A \text{ and } b \in B \}$$

Power Set 
$$P(A) = \{ \{1\}, \{x\}, \{1,x\}, \emptyset \}$$



$$\emptyset \not\in A$$

$$\emptyset \in P(A)$$





(there exists a  $b \in B$  such that  $b \notin A$ )

$$A \subseteq B$$

$$f(a) = b$$



