

If  $S$  is a set, a partition of  $S$  is a set  $P$  of nonempty subsets of  $S$  satisfying the following two conditions: (i) for each  $s \in S$ , there is an  $M \in P$  such that  $s \in M$ , and (ii) For each pair  $M_1, M_2 \in P$  such that  $M_1 \neq M_2$ , we have  $M_1 \cap M_2 = \emptyset$ . The members of the partition are called the parts of the partition

- Find all possible partitions of  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .  
 $\mathcal{P} = \{\{\{1, 2\}, \{3\}\}, \{\{1\}, \{2, 3\}\}, \{\{1, 3\}, \{2\}\}, \{\{1, 2, 3\}\}\}$
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- Give an example of a partition of the set  $\{1\}$ .  $\{\{1\}\}$
- Is it possible to have a partition of set  $\{\}$ . Why or why not? It is. Since a partition can only have non-empty subsets, there are no partitions, thus the empty set's partition is just the empty set in braces, or  $\{\{\}\}$ .