# 1 2.1 - Sets

Sets are groups of objects, often Numbers. Objects in sets usually have something in common, as otherwise a set would be nonsensical.

#### 1.1 Common Sets

- 1. The set of all Complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$  (\mathbb{C})
- 2. The set of all Real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$  (\mathbb{R})
- 3. The set of all Rational numbers  $\mathbb{Q}$  (\mathbd{Q})
- 4. The set of all Integer numbers  $\mathbb{Z}$  (\mathbb{Z})
- 5. The set of all Natural numbers  $\mathbb{N}$  (\mathbb{M})
- 6. The set of all Imaginary numbers  $\mathbb{I}$  (\mathbb{I})
- 7. The empty Set  $\emptyset$  or  $\{\}$  (\emptyset or  $\setminus \{ \setminus \}$ )

$$\mathbb{N} \in \mathbb{Z} \in \mathbb{Q} \in \mathbb{R} \in \mathbb{C}$$
 
$$\mathbb{I} \in \mathbb{C}$$

## 1.2 Subsets

The set A is a *subset* of B iff B contains **all** objects of A. A being a subset of B can also be expressed as B is a *superset* of A. Subsets are written as  $\in$  (\in) in equations.

# 1.3 Size of a Set

|S| denotes the size, or number of  $distinct^1$  objects in set S. Size is also called the Cardinality of a **finite** set.

### 1.4 Power Sets

A Power Set is one that includes all subsets of another set. Power Sets are denoted by  $\mathcal{P}(S)$  (\mathcal { P} (S)) in equations.

### 1.5 Ordered n-tuple

An ordered n-tuple is an ordered collection denoted by  $(a_1, a_2, ...)$  ( $(a_1, a_2, ...)$ ) Ordered tuples are equal if they have the same elements at the same locations.

 $<sup>^1\</sup>mathrm{Distinct}$  objects means that equivalent objects are only counted once, e.g. |2,2|=1 as 2 is only counted once