



# Sigma Algebra

## 1 Why

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## 2 Definition

A **sigma algebra** a subset algebra which is closed under countable unions.

### 2.1 Notation

Let  $A$  be a set and  $\mathcal{A} \subset 2^A$ . We denote the subset algebra of  $A$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  by  $(A, \mathcal{A})$ , read aloud as “A, script A.”

## 3 Properties

**Proposition 1** *For any set  $A$ ,  $2^A$  is a sigma algebra.*

**Proposition 2** *The intersection of a family of sigma algebras is a sigma algebra.*

## 4 Generation

**Proposition 3** *Let  $A$  a set and  $\mathcal{B}$  a set of subsets. There is a unique smallest sigma algebra  $(A, \mathcal{A})$  with  $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{A}$ .*

We call the unique smallest sigma algebra containing  $B$  the **generated sigma algebra** of  $B$ .