



NUMBER OF SET PRODUCTS

Result

Proposition 1. *Suppose A and B are finite sets. Then $|A \times B| = |A| \times |B|$.*

Proof. The proof involves induction on the size of one of the sets, and will, I believe, use the result of the number of a disjoint union; thus the dependence on the sheet **Number of Disjoint Unions**. \square

This is often called the *multiplication principle*, *rule of product*, or the *fundamental principle of counting*.

