

Set Theory Basics and Notation

Set: Collection of distinct objects
 $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$

Common sets: \mathbb{R} (real numbers)
 \mathbb{R}^n (n-dimensional space)

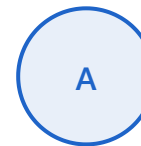
Membership: $x \in X$ means "x belongs to set X"

Subset: $A \subseteq B$ means all elements of A are in B

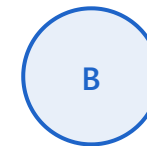
Operations: Union (\cup), Intersection (\cap)
Complement ($'$)

Cartesian product: $X \times Y = \{(x,y) \mid x \in X, y \in Y\}$

Set Operations



$A \cup B$ Union



$A \cap B$ Intersection

ML Application

Data points live in feature space \mathbb{R}^n

Example: Image data $\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{784}$ (28×28 pixels)
Sets define **domains** for regression functions

Sets define domains for our regression functions