

**Problem 0(a)**

**Theorem 1** ( $|A| = 3 \implies |\mathcal{P}(A)| = 8$ ). *The power set of a set with three elements has eight elements.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a set with three arbitrary elements which we will address as  $A_0$ ,  $A_1$ , and  $A_2$ . Constructing the power set of  $A$ , the definition of the power set gives  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  equal to:

$$\{\emptyset, \{A_0\}, \{A_1\}, \{A_2\}, \{A_0, A_1\}, \{A_0, A_2\}, \{A_1, A_2\}, \{A_0, A_1, A_2\}\}$$

We see that there are eight elements in  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ . ■