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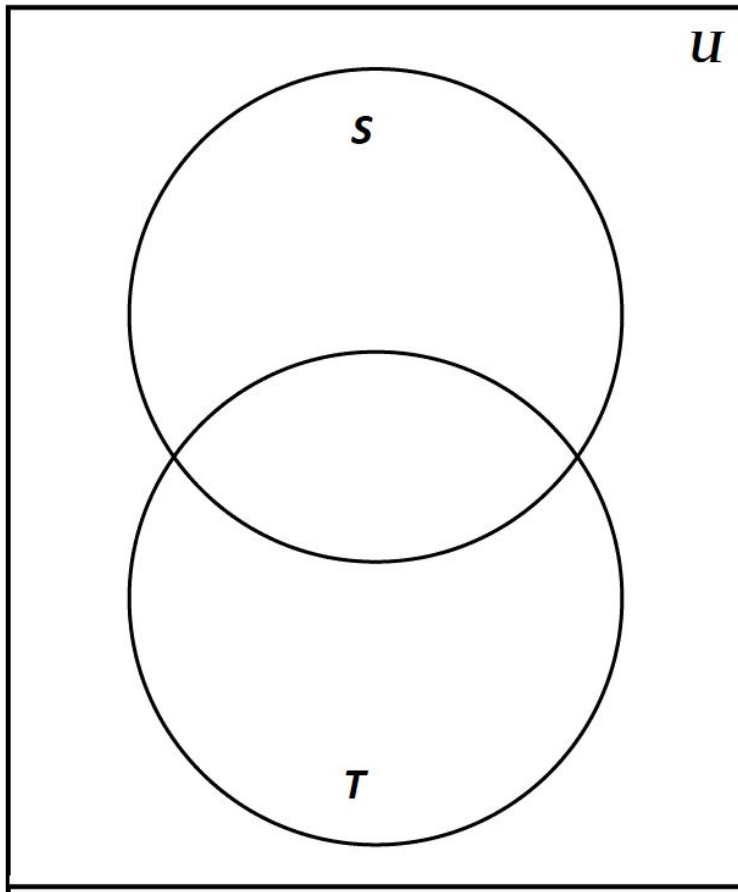
$\cup, \cap, \setminus, \mathbf{C}$

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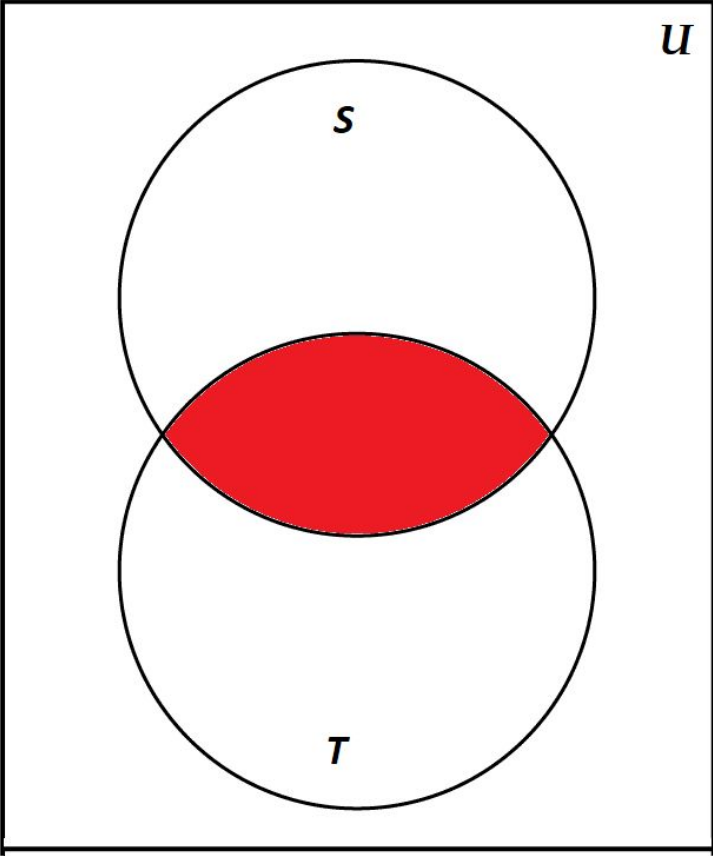
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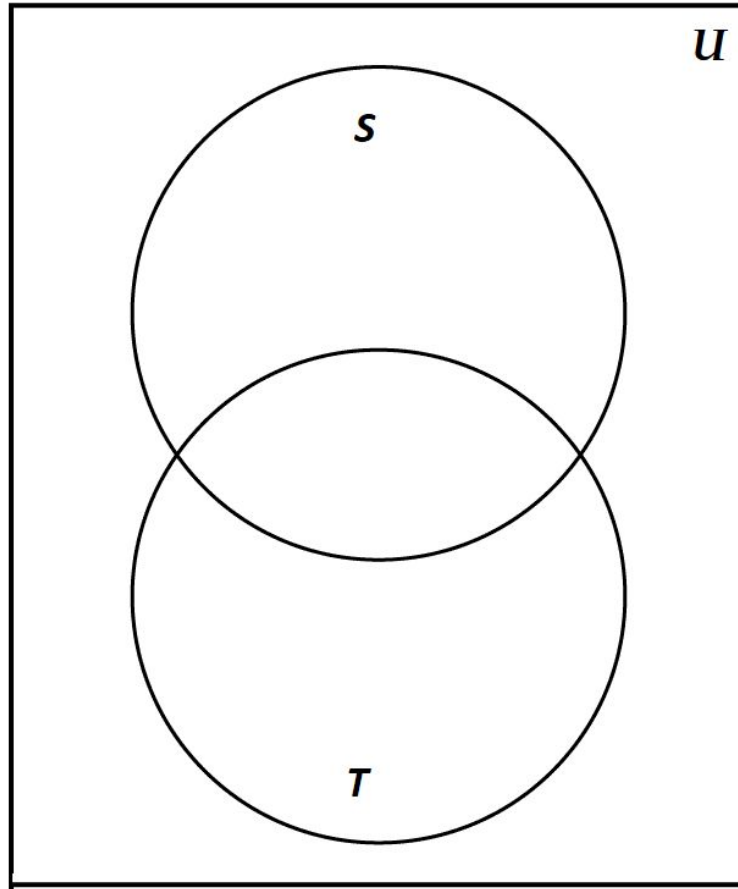
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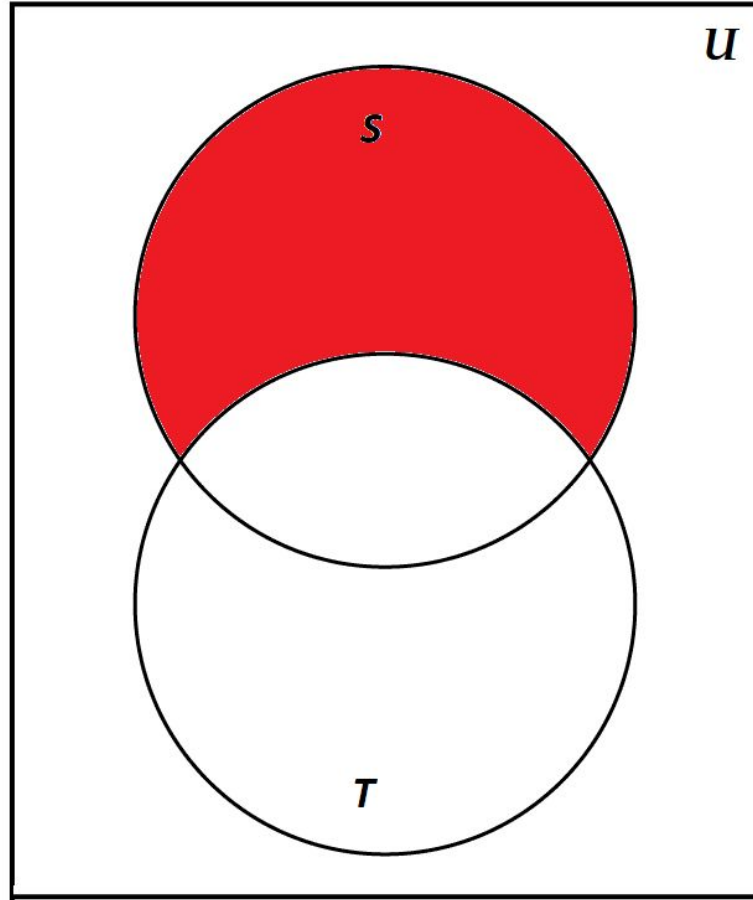
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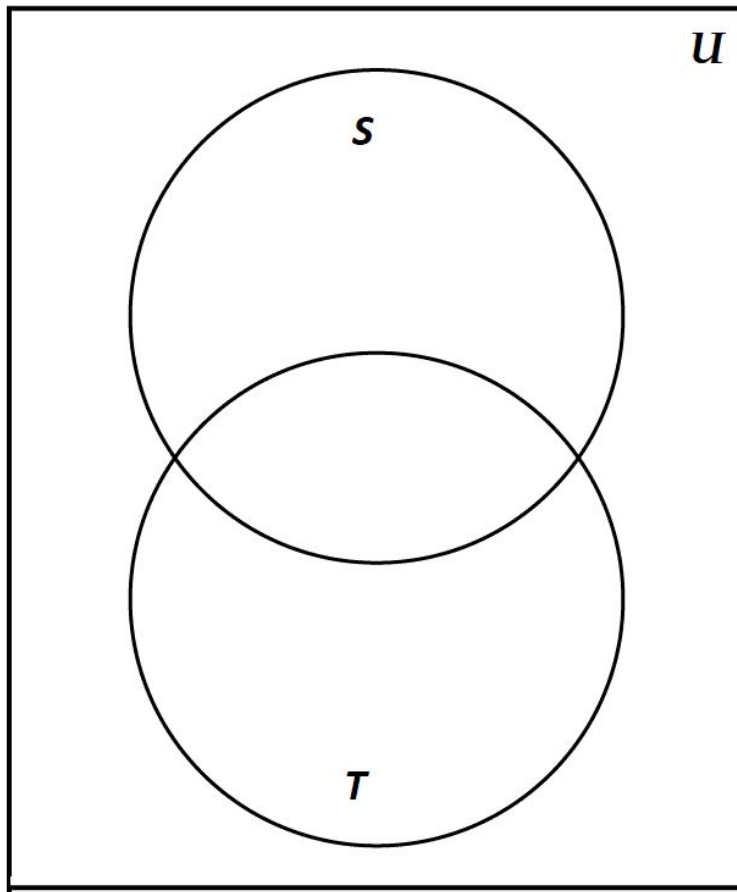
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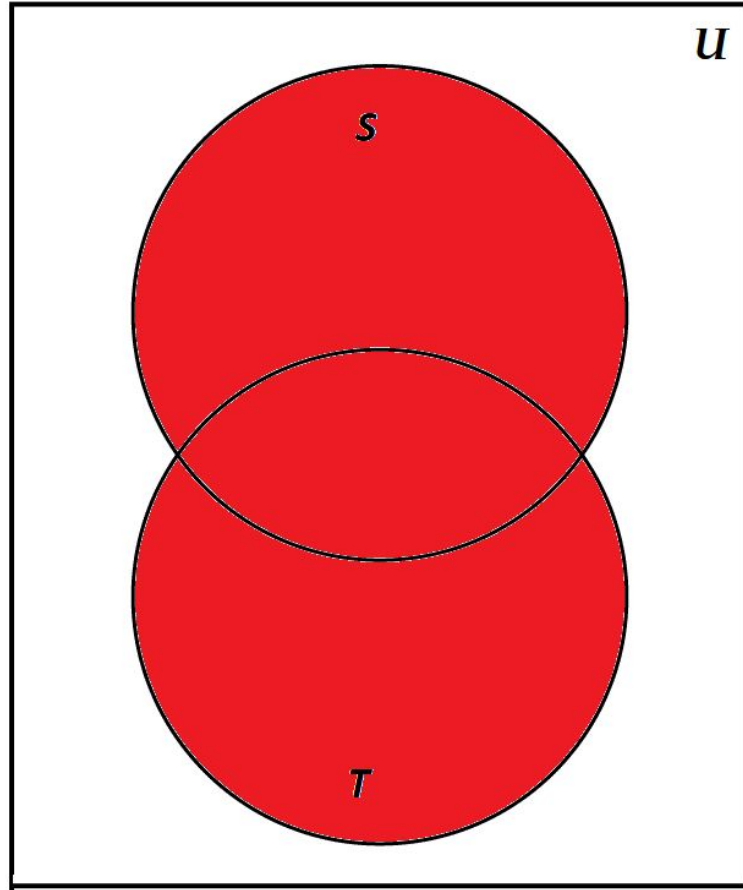
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Union:



Union: A set that contains all the elements of both S and T .



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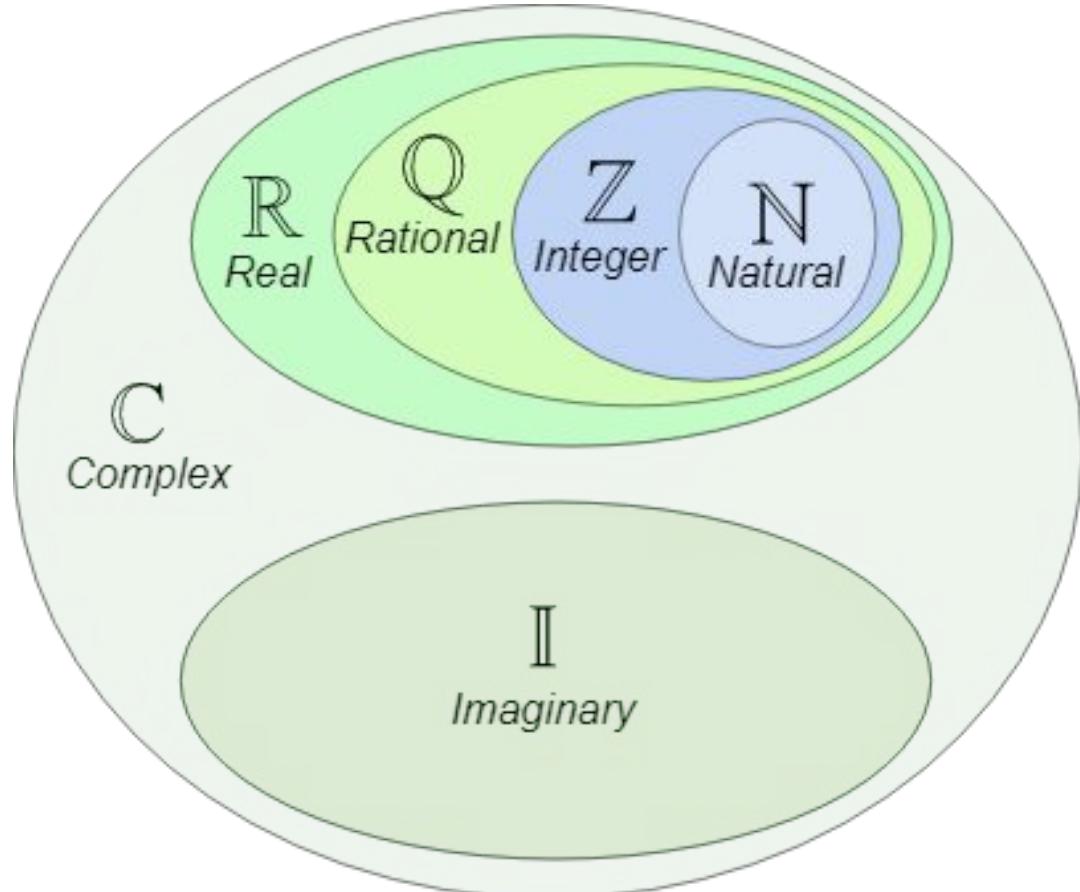
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Cardinality

Q: Compute each cardinality.

1. $|\{1, -13, 4, -13, 1\}|$
2. $|\{3, \{1,2,3,4\}, \emptyset\}|$
3. $|\{\emptyset\}|$
4. $|\{\{\emptyset\}, \{\{\emptyset\}\}, \{\{\{\emptyset\}\}\}\}|$

Useful Infinite Sets



4.1.1 Some Popular Sets

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symbol	set	elements
\emptyset	the empty set	none
\mathbb{N}	nonnegative integers	$\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$
\mathbb{Z}	integers	$\{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$
\mathbb{Q}	rational numbers	$\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{5}{3}, 16, \text{ etc.}$
\mathbb{R}	real numbers	$\pi, e, -9, \sqrt{2}, \text{ etc.}$
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Select \mathbb{Z}^- from the choices given here

A: $\{0,1,2,3,\dots\}$ **B:** $\{1,2,3,\dots\}$ **C:** $\{\dots-3, -2, -1\}$ **D:** $\{\dots-3, -2, -1, 0\}$ **E:** None of the Above

What are these??!

\cup :

\cap :

\setminus :

\in :

\subseteq :

\supseteq :

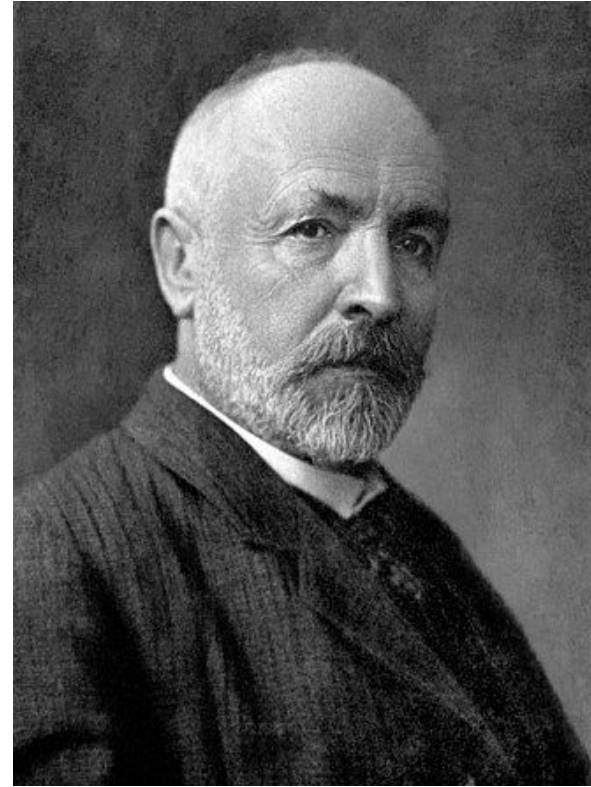
\subset :

\supset :

Georg Ferdinand Ludwig Philipp Cantor ... was a German mathematician. **He created set theory**, which has become a fundamental theory in mathematics. Cantor] defined infinite and well-ordered sets, and proved that the real numbers are more numerous than the natural numbers. In fact, Cantor's method of proof of this theorem implies the existence of an infinity of infinities.

Cantor's work is of great philosophical interest, a fact he was well aware of. **Cantor's theory of transfinite numbers was originally regarded as so counter-intuitive – even shocking** – that it encountered resistance from mathematical contemporaries such as Leopold Kronecker and Henri Poincaré[3] and later from Hermann Weyl and L. E. J. Brouwer, while Ludwig Wittgenstein raised philosophical objections. Cantor, a devout Lutheran, **believed the theory had been communicated to him by God**.

The objections to Cantor's work were occasionally fierce: Leopold Kronecker's public opposition and personal attacks included describing Cantor as a "**scientific charlatan**", a "**renegade**" and a "**corrupter of youth**".



Reminder: Subset Definition

Set A is a *subset* of set B

$$A \subseteq B$$

If & only if **all elements of A are also in B**

Power sets

4.1.3 Power Set

The set of all the subsets of a set, A , is called the *power set*, $\text{pow}(A)$, of A . So

$$B \in \text{pow}(A) \quad \text{IFF} \quad B \subseteq A.$$

For example, the elements of $\text{pow}(\{1, 2\})$ are \emptyset , $\{1\}$, $\{2\}$ and $\{1, 2\}$.

Power sets -- Break-outs

- 1.) What is the power-set of $\{\}$?
- 2.) What is the power set of $\{a, b, c\}$
- 3.) What is the power set of $\{W, X, Y, Z\}$

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$$|\mathcal{P}(X)| = 2^{|X|}$$

Other Notations

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