

Financial Mathematics

Foundational material:
logic and set theory

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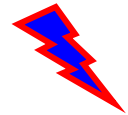
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The **size** (a.k.a. **cardinality**) of a set S , denoted $\#S$, is the number of elements in S .
e.g.: The **size** of $\{2, 7, 8\}$ is 3. $\#\{2, 7, 8\} = 3$

$\emptyset = \{ \}$ is the set with **no** elements | $\#\emptyset = 0$

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 $= \{\text{rationals}\} \cup \{\text{irrationals}\}$

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disjoint union: $\{4, 5, 6\} \sqcup \{1, 2, 3\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

meaning: both $\{4, 5, 6\} \cup \{1, 2, 3\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$
and $\{4, 5, 6\} \cap \{1, 2, 3\} = \emptyset$

disjoint := empty intersection

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read: A "is a subset of" B

$B \supseteq A$ means: $\forall x \in A, x \in B$.

read: B "is a superset of" A

$$A \subseteq B \iff B \supseteq A$$

e.g.: $\mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{R} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$
 $\mathbb{C} \supseteq \mathbb{R} \supseteq \mathbb{Q} \supseteq \mathbb{Z}$

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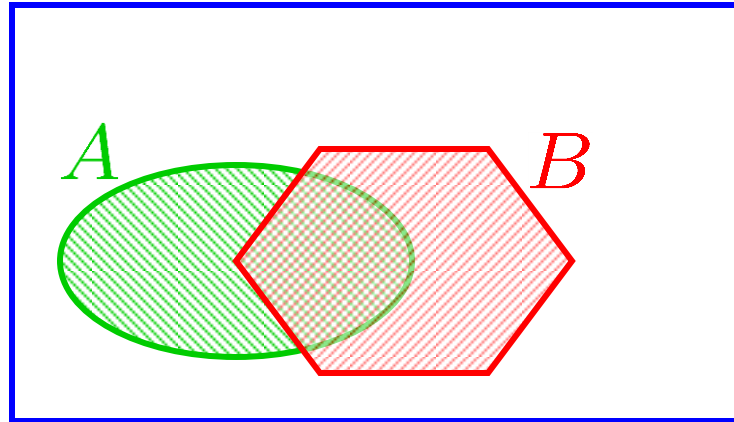
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Set theoretic visualization: Venn diagrams

Union of two sets

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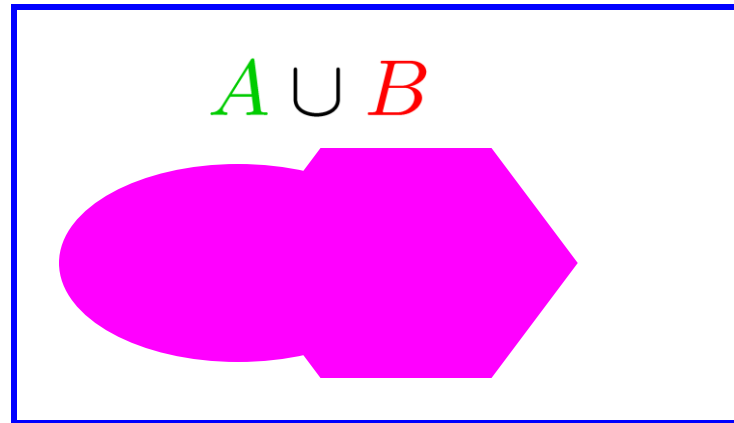


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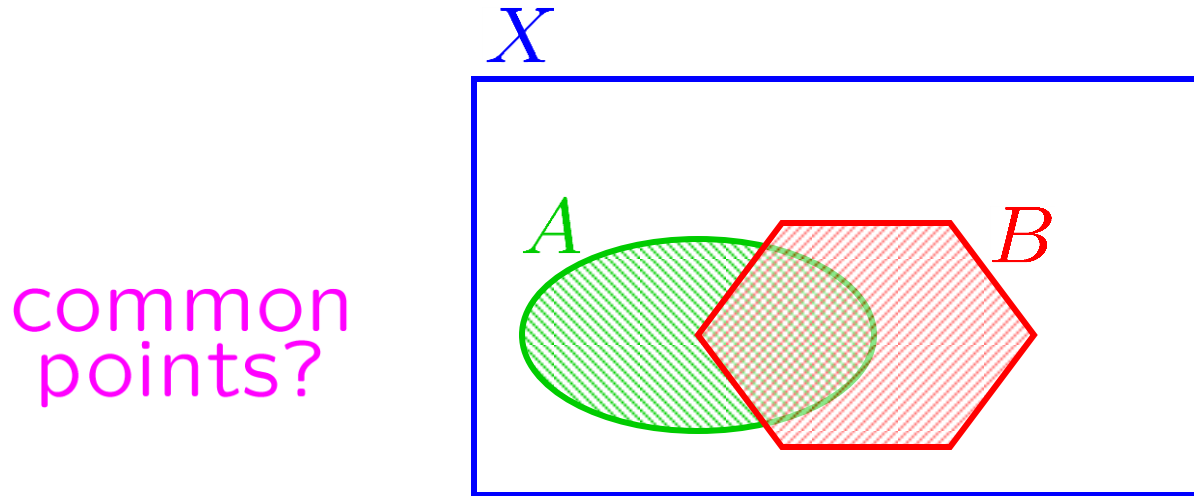


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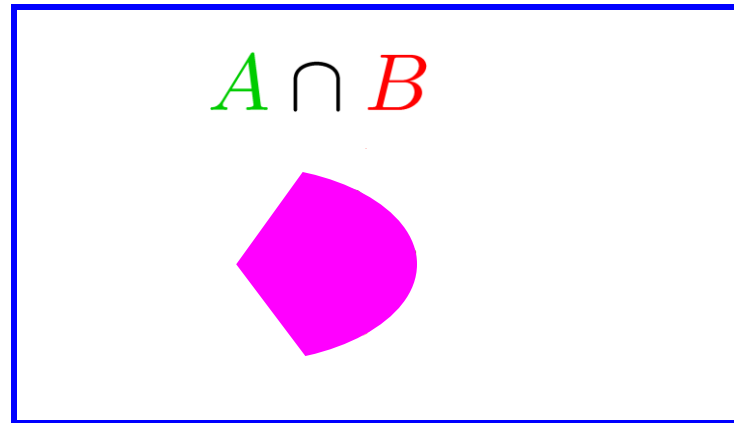
Intersection of two sets



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X A “intersect” B



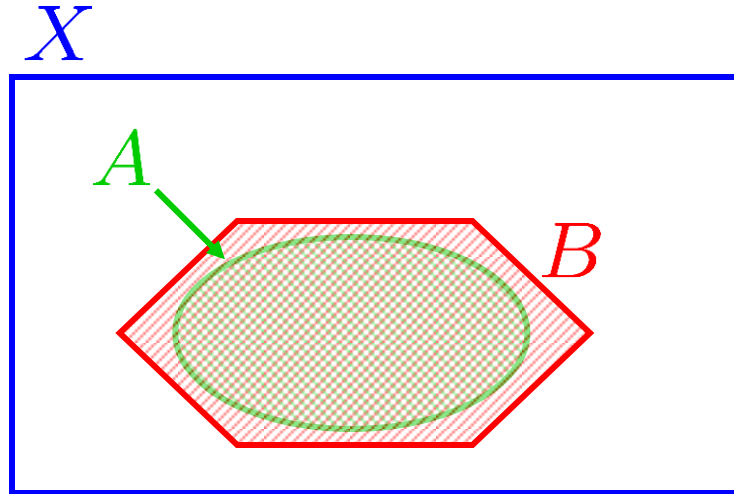
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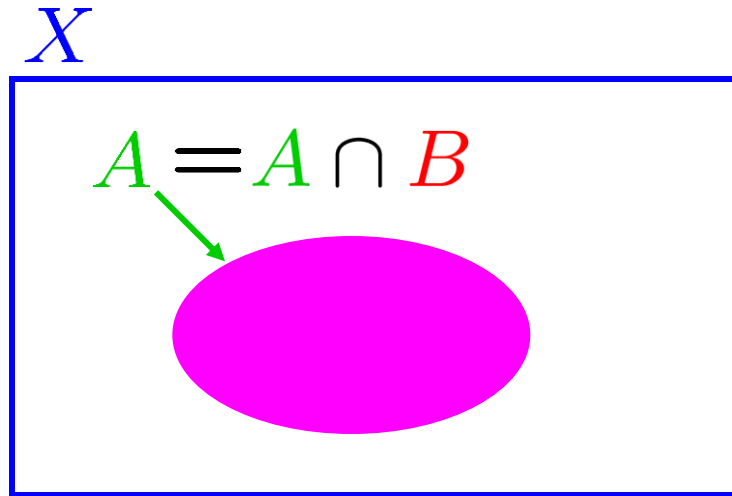


$$A \subseteq B$$

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If
 $A \subseteq B$
then
 $A \cap B = A.$

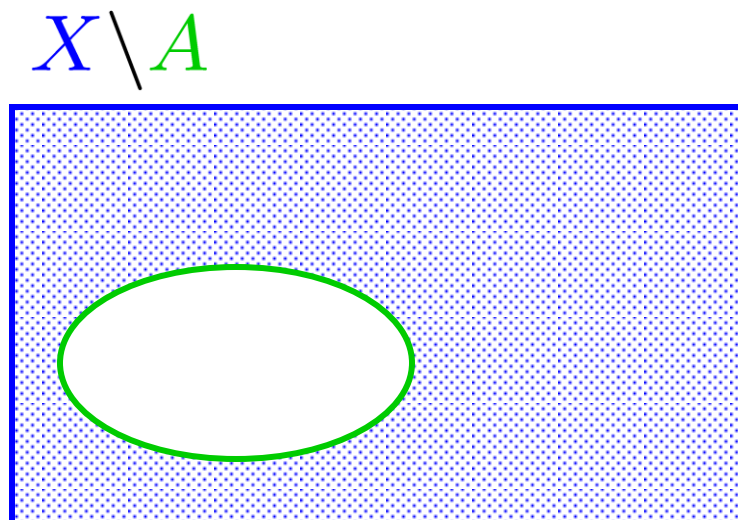
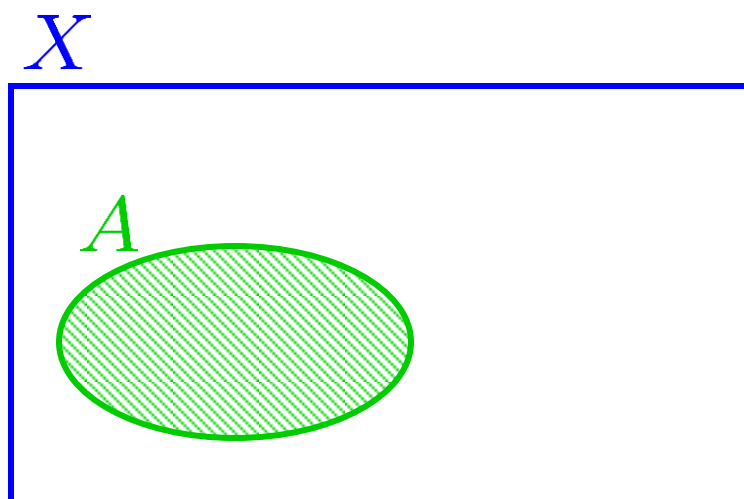
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Complement of a set

the complement of A (in X), or
 X minus A

Def'n:

$$\boxed{X \setminus A} := \{x \in X \mid x \notin A\}$$



All sets under discussion are inside X ;
 X is the “universe”.

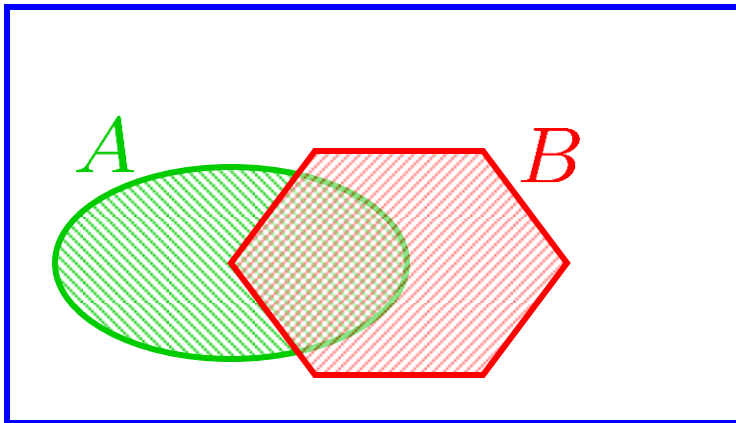
Set-theoretic difference

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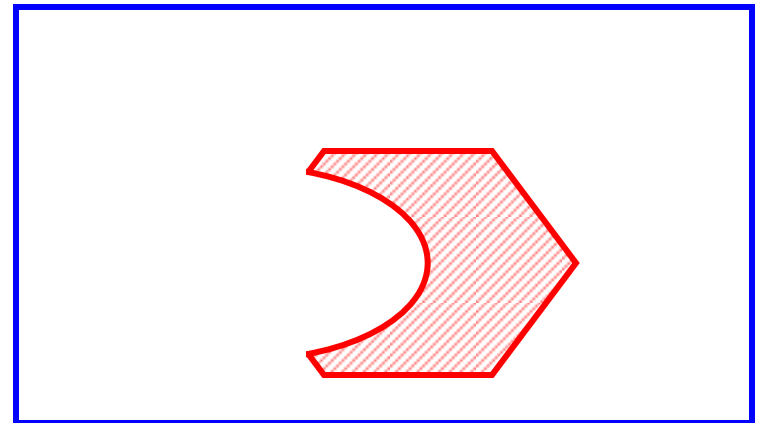
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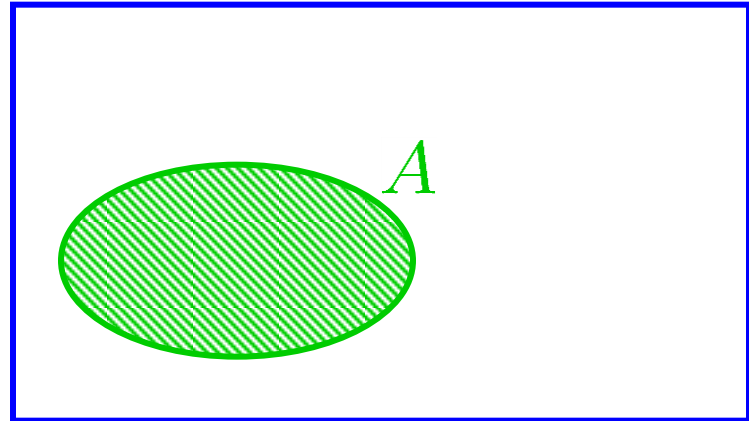
Complement of the union

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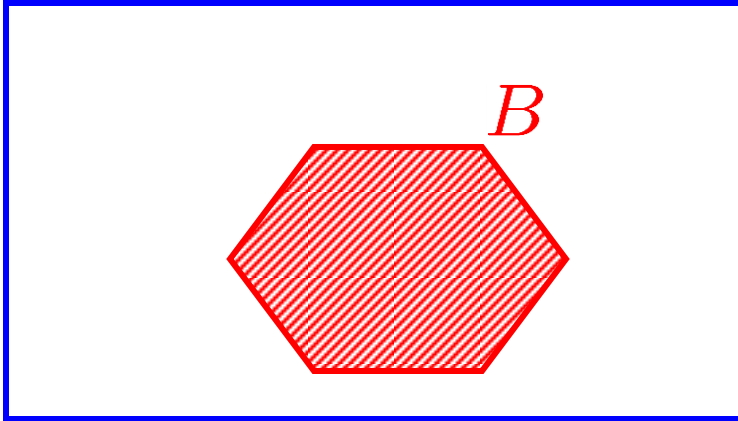


X

$(X \setminus A)$

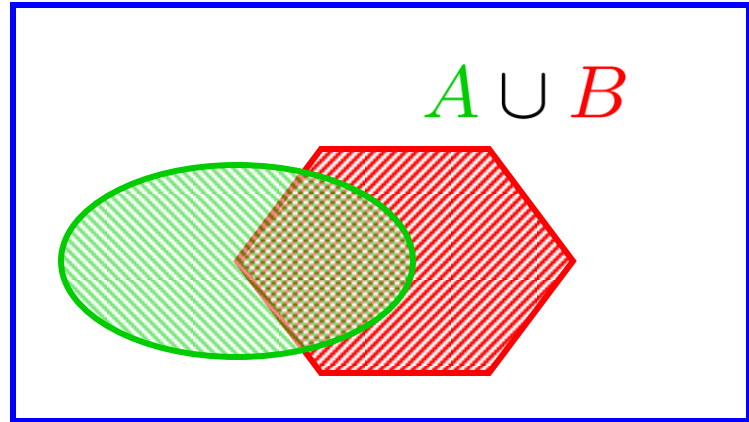


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$A \cup B$



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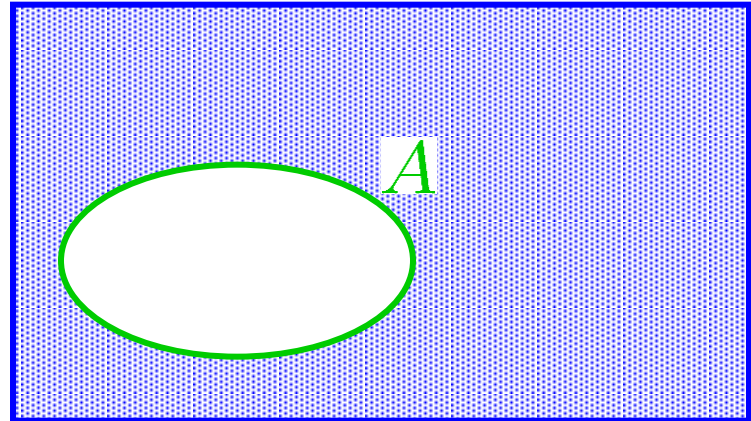
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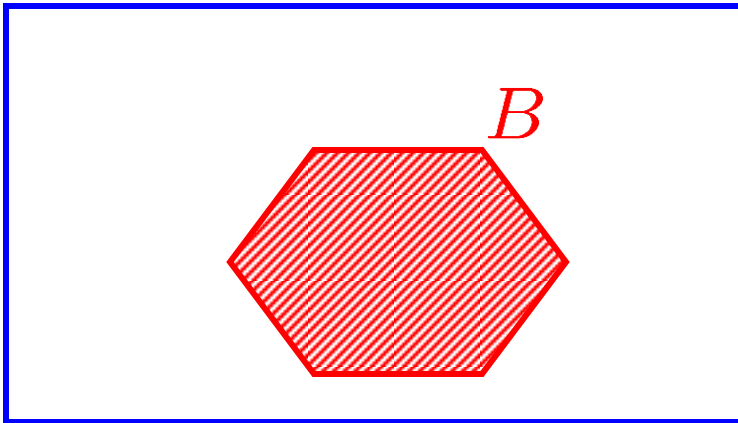
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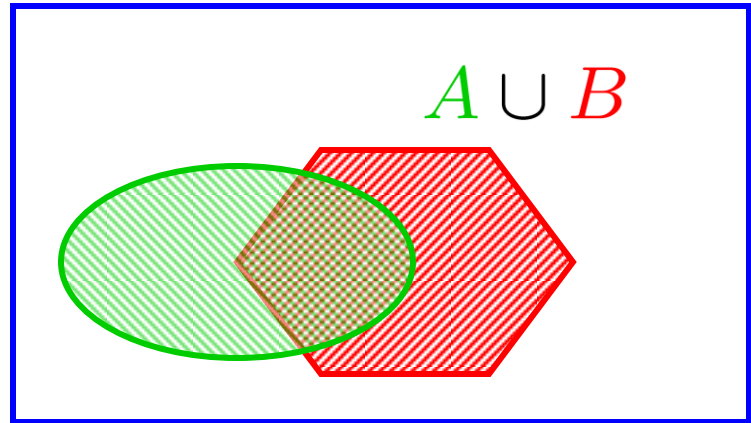
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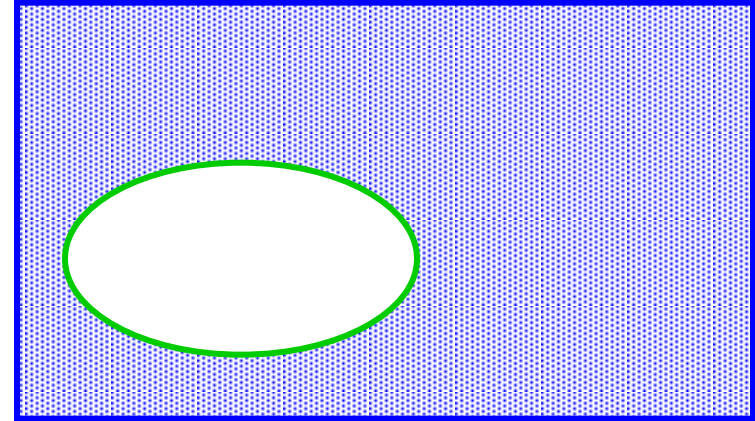
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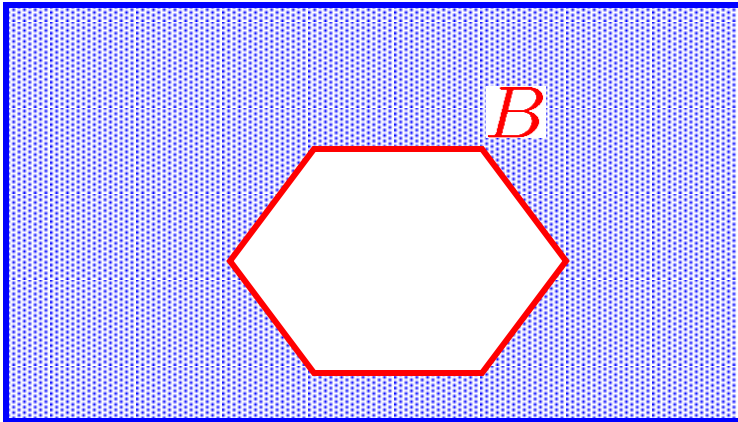


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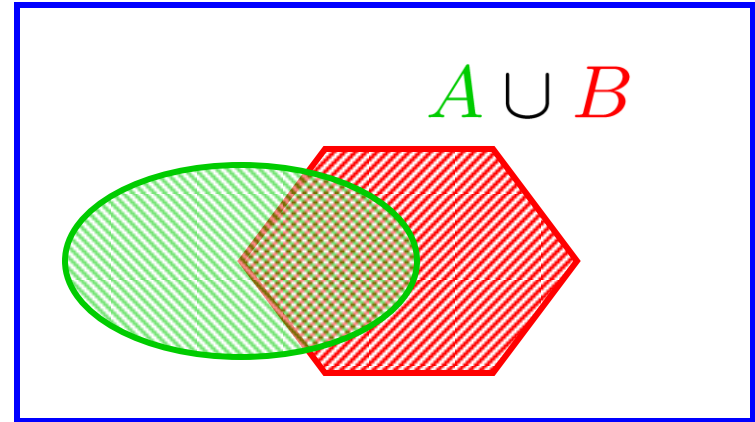
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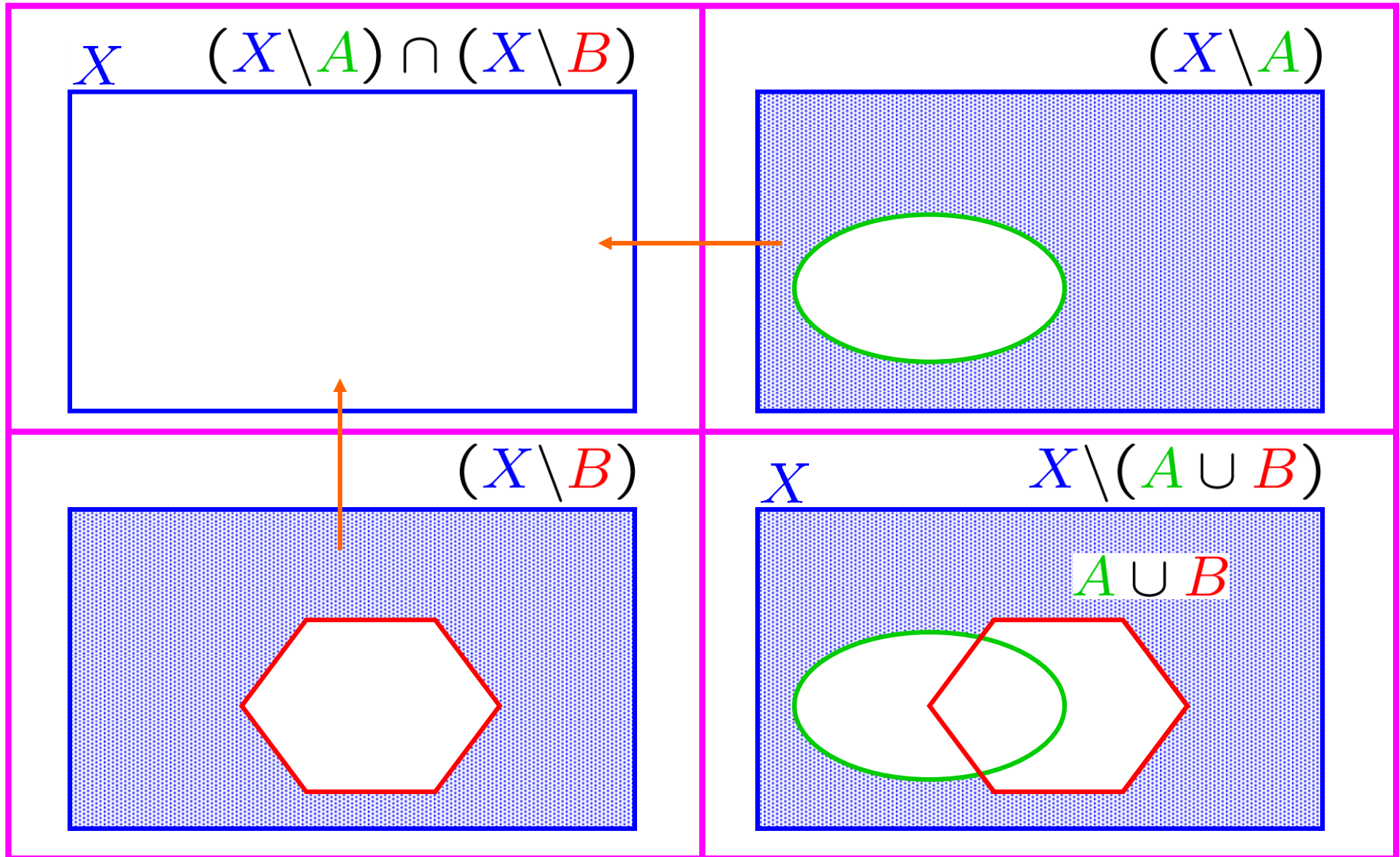
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$X \setminus (A \cup B)$



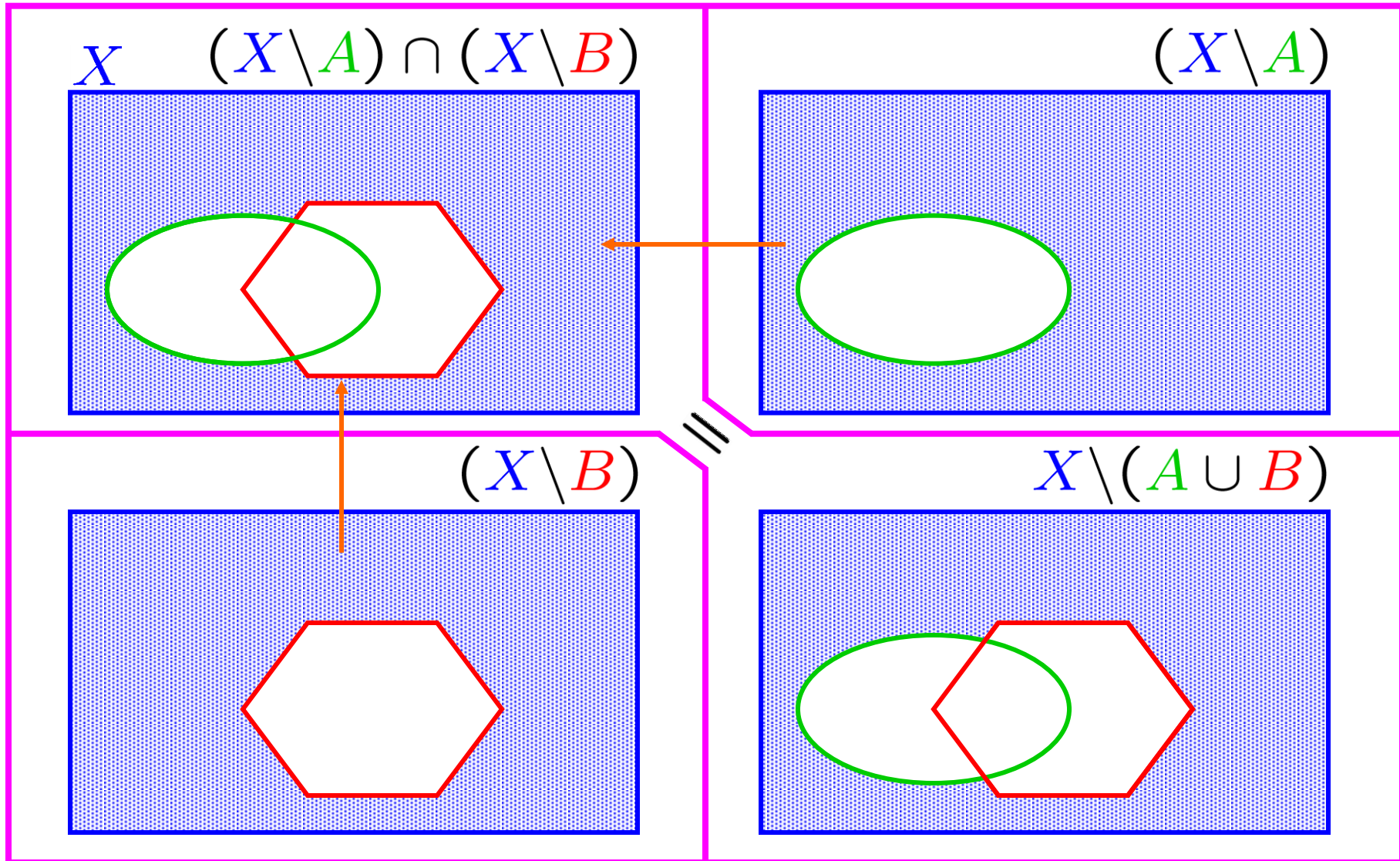
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Fact: $X \setminus (A \cup B) = (X \setminus A) \cap (X \setminus B)$ ⚡



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both $\bigcup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} P = S$

pairwise disjoint

and $\forall P, Q \in \mathcal{P}, (P \neq Q \Rightarrow P \cap Q = \emptyset)$.

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$$\forall \text{set } S, \bigsqcup_{s \in S} \{s\} = S$$

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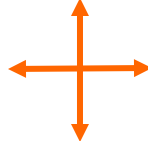
$$\text{e.g.: } \cdots \bigsqcup \{-2\} \bigsqcup \{-1\} \bigsqcup \{0\} \bigsqcup \{1\} \bigsqcup \{2\} \bigsqcup \cdots = \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{i.e.: } \bigsqcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \{n\} = \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{e.g.: } \bigsqcup_{a \in \mathbb{R}} \{a\} = \mathbb{R}$$

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e.g.: $\mathbb{R}^2 := \{(x, y) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$ “=” 

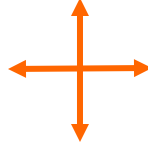
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(a, b) is an **ordered** pair,
i.e., $(a, b) \neq (b, a)$.

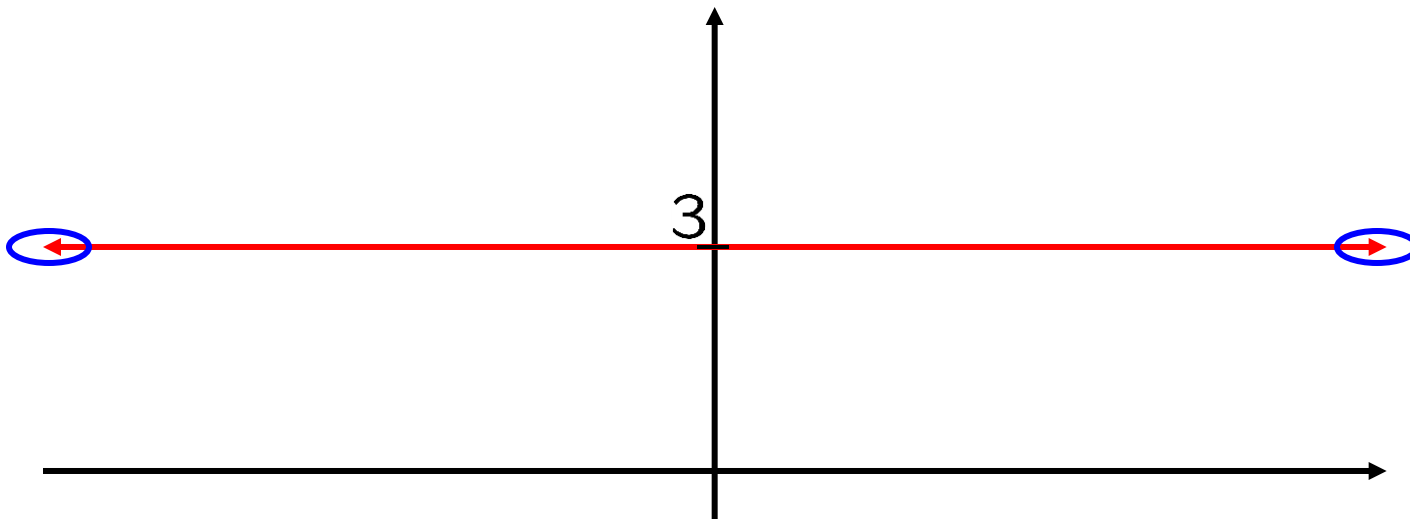
By contrast, $\{a, b\}$ is a set, and so is **unordered**,
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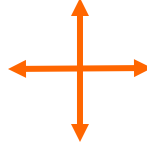
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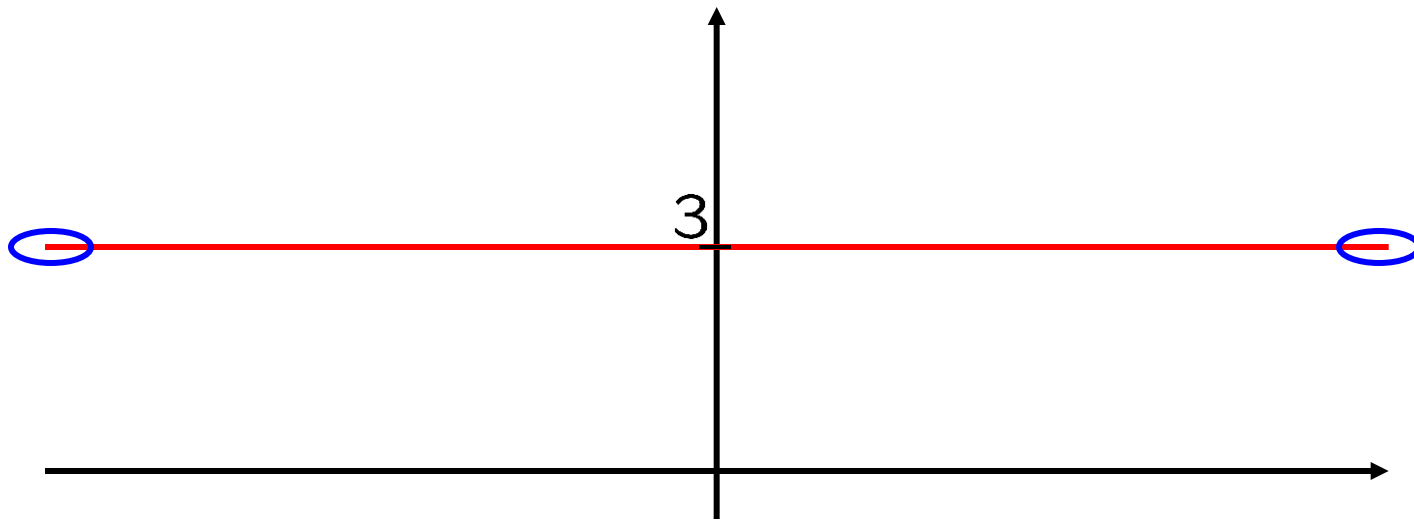


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Def'n: \forall integers $n \geq 1$,

Euclidean n -space $:= \mathbb{R}^n$