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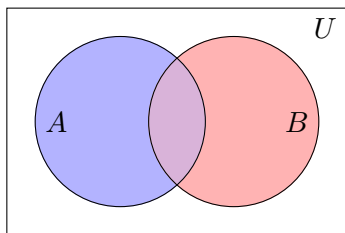
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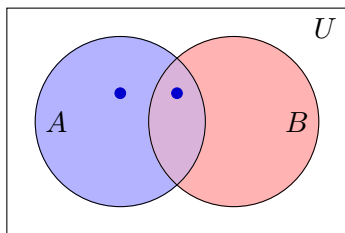
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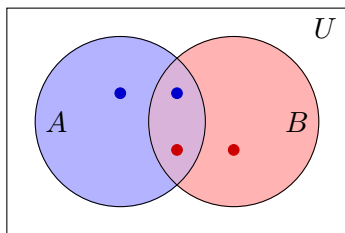
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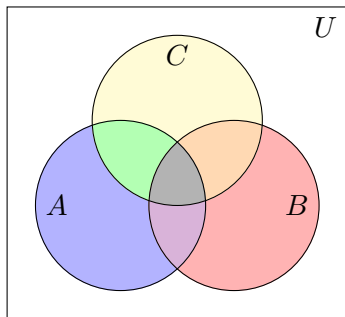
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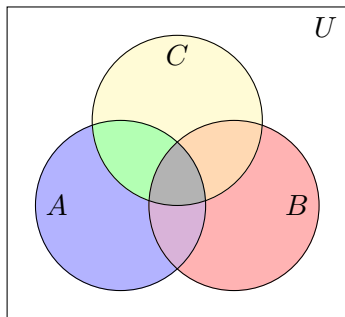
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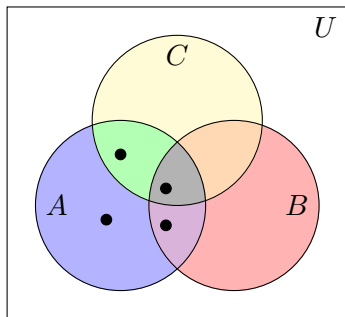
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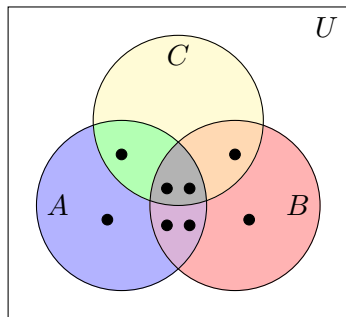
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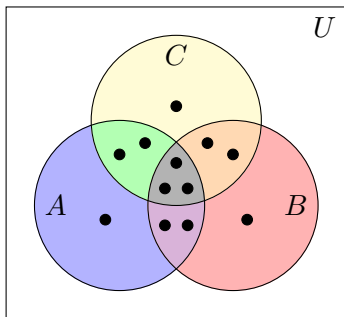
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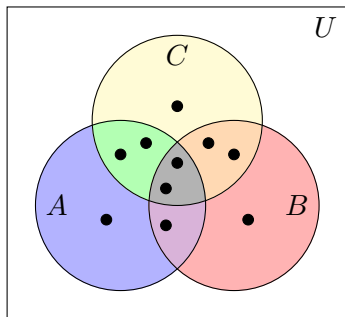


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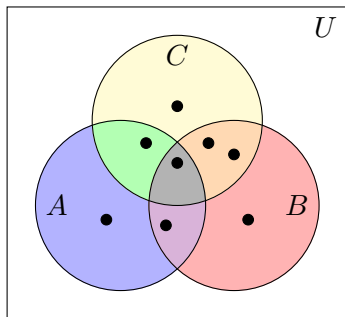


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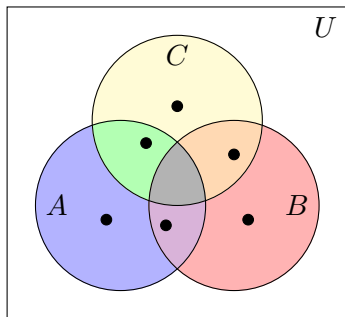


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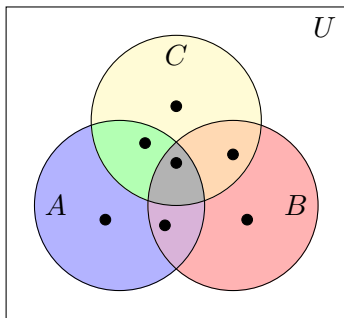
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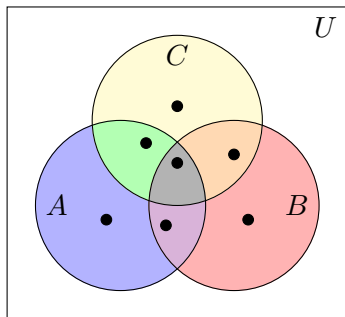


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Theorem. The equivalence classes of A **partition** A into subsets, meaning

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