

# INF3580/4580 – Semantic Technologies – Spring 2018

## Lecture 5: Mathematical Foundations

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# Mandatory exercises

- Remember: Hand-in Oblig 3 by tomorrow.
- Oblig 4 published after next lecture.

# MSc project in Brazil?



# Today's Plan

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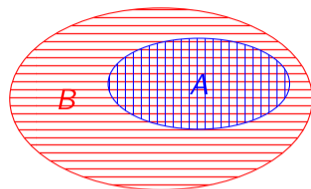


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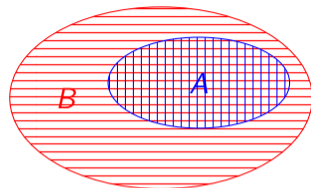
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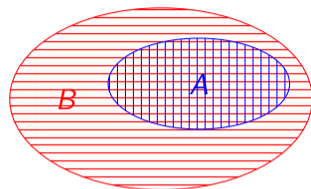
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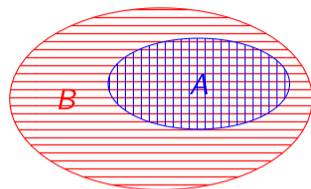


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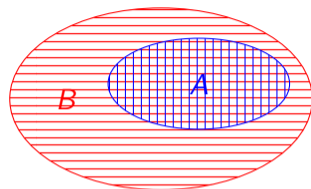
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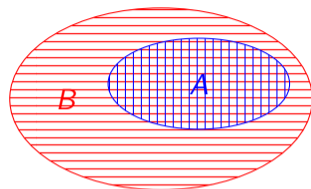
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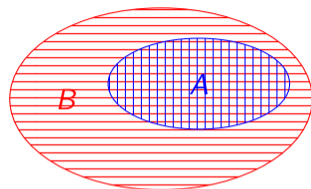
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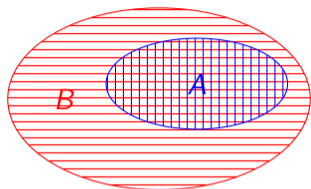
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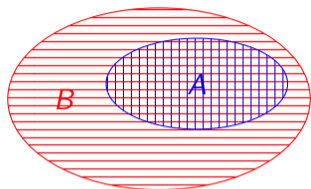
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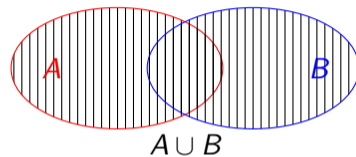
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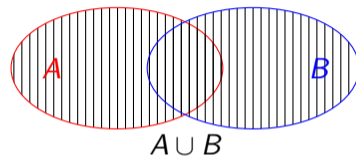
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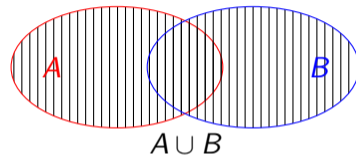
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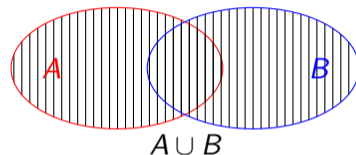
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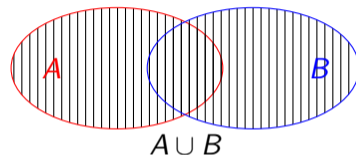
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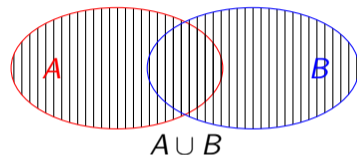
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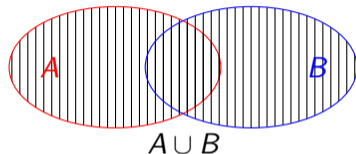
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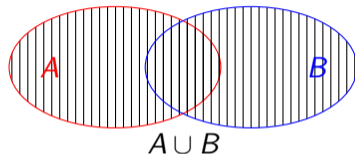
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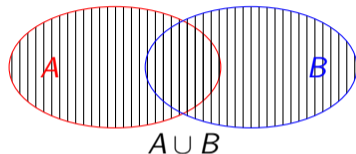
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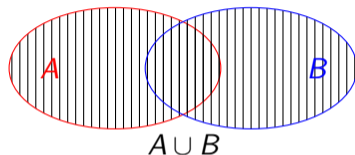
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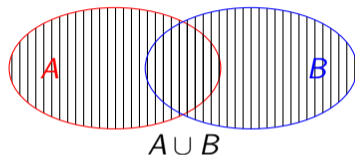
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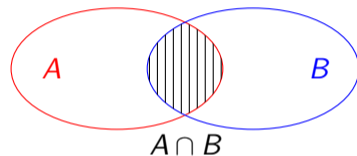
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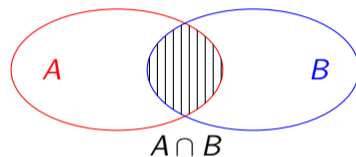
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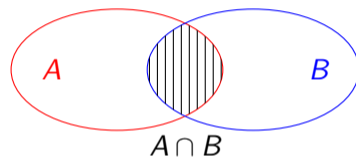
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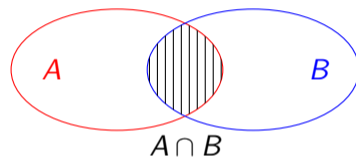
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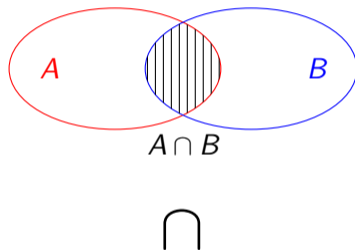
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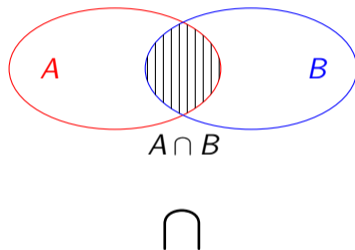
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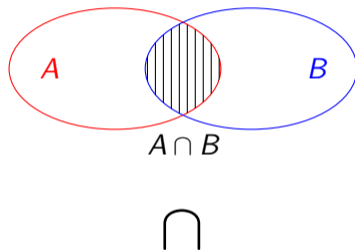
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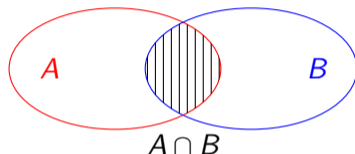
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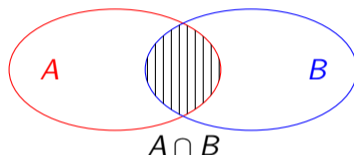
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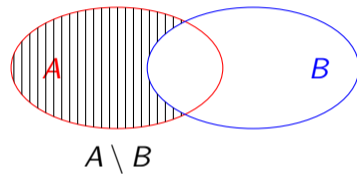
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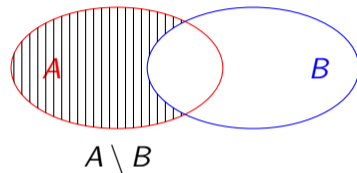
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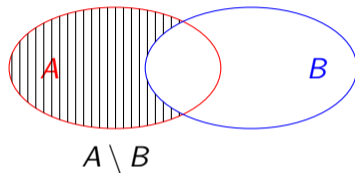
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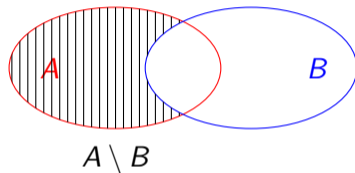
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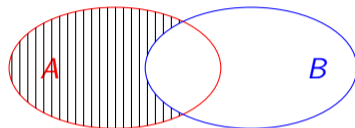
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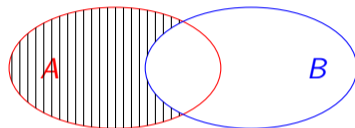
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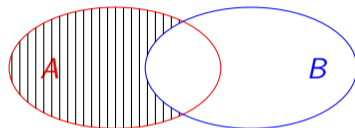
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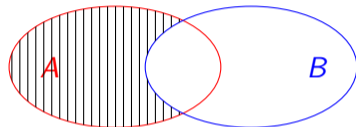
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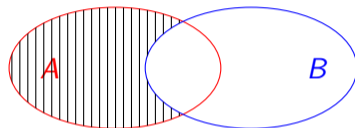
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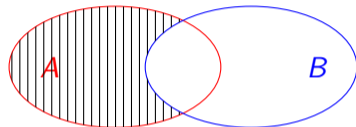
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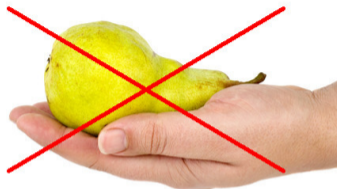


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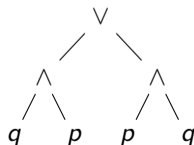
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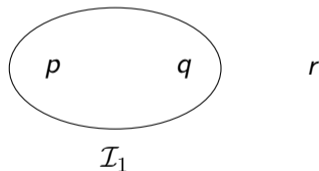
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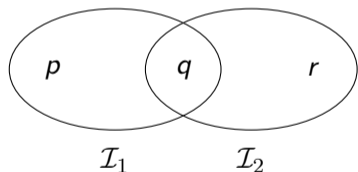
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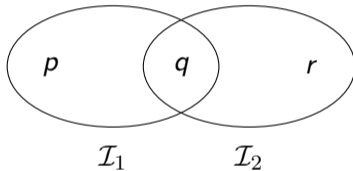
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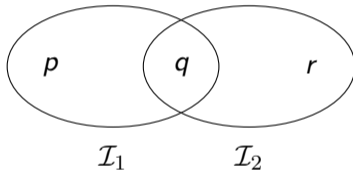
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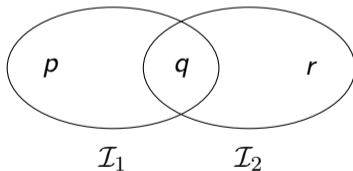
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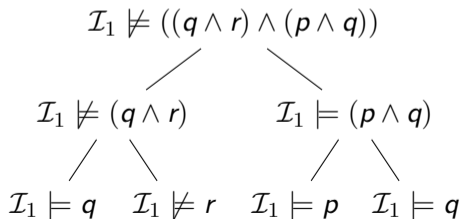
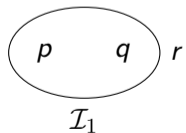
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