

**SUB TOPIC: SUBSET, SAUPER SET , PROPER SUBSET, UNIVERSAL SET**

**SUBJECT : MATHEMATICS**

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**CHAPTER NAME :SET CONCEPTS**

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**CHANGING YOUR TOMORROW**

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# LEARNING OUTCOME

Students will be able to

Define and differentiate subset, superset, proper subset , universal set.

## PREVIOUS CONNECT

- Which of the following represents the null set?
- $\{0\}$ ,  $0$ ,  $\{\}$

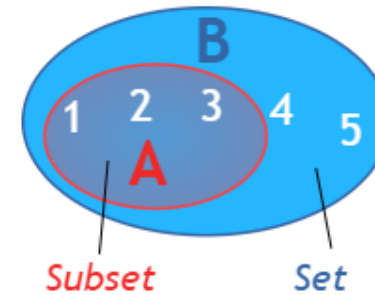


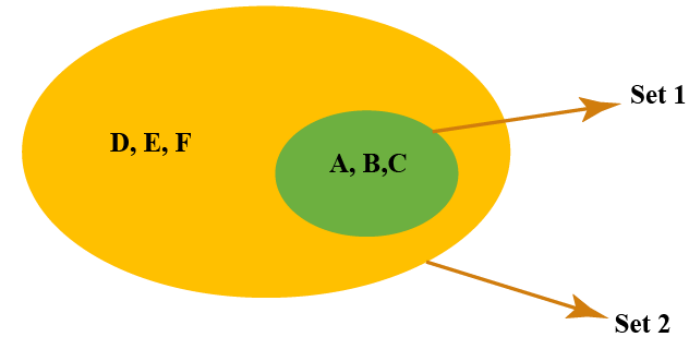
## SUBSET

Set A is said to be a subset of Set B if all the elements of Set A are also present in Set B.

In other words, set A is contained inside Set B.

Example: If set A has {X, Y} and set B has {X, Y, Z}, then A is the subset of B because elements of A are also present in set B.





Set 1 is a subset of Set2

### Subset Symbol

In set theory, a subset is denoted by the symbol  $\subseteq$  and read as 'is a subset of'. Using this symbol we can express subsets as follows:

**$A \subseteq B$ ; which means Set A is a subset of Set B.**

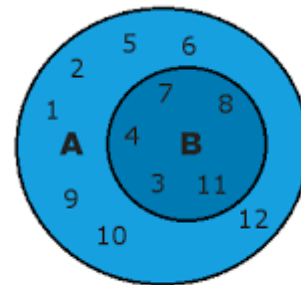
**Note:** A subset can be equal to the set. That is, a subset can contain all the elements that are present in the set.

## Superset Definition

In set theory, set A is considered as the superset of B, if all the elements of set B are the elements of set A.

For example, if set A = {1, 2, 3, 4} and set B = {1, 3, 4}, we can say that set A is the superset of B. As the elements of B [(i.e.)1, 3, 4] are in set A.

We can also say that B is not a superset of A.



**A is SuperSet of B**

## Superset Symbol

The superset relationship is represented using the symbol “ $\supset$ ”. For instance, the set A is the superset of set B, and it is symbolically represented by  $A \supset B$ .

Consider another example,

$X = \{\text{set of polygons}\}$

$Y = \{\text{set of irregular polygons}\}$

Then X is the superset of Y ( $X \supset Y$ ). In other words, we can say that Y is a subset of X ( $Y \subset X$ ).

### Proper Subset Symbol

A proper subset is denoted by  $\subset$  and is read as 'is a proper subset of'. Using this symbol, we can express a proper subset for set A and set B as;

$$A \subset B$$



## How many subsets and proper subsets does a set have?

If a set has “n” elements, then the number of subset of the given set is  $2^n$  and the number of proper subsets of the given subset is given by  $2^n-1$ .

Consider an example, If set A has the elements,  $A = \{a, b\}$ , then the proper subset of the given subset are  $\{ \}$ ,  $\{a\}$ , and  $\{b\}$ .

Here, the number of elements in the set is 2.

We know that the formula to calculate the number of proper subsets is  $2^n - 1$ .

$$= 2^2 - 1$$

$$= 4 - 1$$

$$= 3$$

Thus, the number of proper subset for the given set is 3 ( $\{ \}$ ,  $\{a\}$ ,  $\{b\}$ ).

# NUMBER OF SUBSETS AND NUMBER OF PROPER SUBSETS OF A GIVEN SET

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# UNIVERSAL SET

There happens to be a set 'U' that contains all the elements under consideration. Such a set is called the universal set.

**For example :**

$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ ,  $B = \{4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ . We can say that they are both contained in their universal set, which is a set of natural numbers.

In plane geometry, the set of all points in the plane is the universal set.

## EVALUATION QUESTIONS

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### 1. Fill in the blanks:

- (i) If each element of set P is also an element of set Q, then P is said to be ..... of Q and Q is said to be ..... of P.
- (ii) Every set is a ..... of itself.
- (iii) The empty set is a ..... of every set.
- (iv) If A is proper subset of B, then  $n(A) \dots n(B)$ .



## Solution:

### **Solution:**

- (i) If each element of set P is also an element of set Q, then P is said to be a subset of Q and Q is said to be the superset of P.
- (ii) Every set is a subset of itself.
- (iii) The empty set is a subset of every set.
- (iv) If A is proper subset of B, then  $n(A)$  is less than  $n(B)$ .

2. If  $A = \{5, 7, 8, 9\}$ ; then which of the following are subsets of  $A$ ?

(i)  $B = \{5, 8\}$

(ii)  $C = \{0\}$

(iii)  $D = \{7, 9, 10\}$

(iv)  $E = \{ \}$

(v)  $F = \{8, 7, 9, 5\}$

**Solution:**

(i)  $B = \{5, 8\}$

Hence,  $B \subset A$ .

(ii)  $C = \{0\}$  and  $C \cap A = \emptyset$

Hence,  $C \not\subset A$ .

(iii)  $D = \{7, 9, 10\}$

Hence,  $D \not\subset A$ .

(iv)  $E = \{ \}$

Hence,  $E \subset A$  as we know that an empty set is a subset of every set.

(v)  $F = \{8, 7, 9, 5\}$

Hence,  $F \subset A$  as every set is a subset of itself.

Therefore, (i), (iv) and (v) are subsets of A.

3. If  $P = \{2, 3, 4, 5\}$ ; then which of the following are proper subsets of  $P$ ?

(i)  $A = \{3, 4\}$

(ii)  $B = \{ \}$

(iii)  $C = \{23, 45\}$

(iv)  $D = \{6, 5, 4\}$

(v)  $E = \{0\}$

**Solution:**



## Solution:

It is given that  $P = \{2, 3, 4, 5\}$

(i)  $A = \{3, 4\}$

(ii)  $B = \{\}$

(iii)  $C = \{23, 45\}$

(iv)  $D = \{6, 5, 4\}$

(v)  $E = \{0\}$

Here only A and B are the proper subsets of P.

4. If  $A = \{\text{even numbers less than } 12\}$ ,

$B = \{2, 4\}$ ,

$C = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,

$D = \{2, 6\}$  and  $E = \{4\}$

State which of the following statements are true :

(i)  $B \subset A$

(ii)  $C \subseteq A$

(iii)  $D \subset C$

(iv)  $D \not\subset A$

(v)  $E \supseteq B$

(vi)  $A \supseteq B \supseteq E$

**Solution:**

$A = \{\text{even numbers less than } 12\} = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}$

$B = \{2, 4\}$

$C = \{1, 2, 3\}$

$D = \{2, 6\}$  and  $E = \{4\}$

(i)  $B \subset A$  is true.

(ii)  $C \subseteq A$  is false.

(iii)  $D \subset C$  is false.

(iv)  $D \not\subset A$  is false.

(v)  $E \supseteq B$  is false

(vi)  $A \supseteq B \supseteq E$  is true

5. Given  $A = \{a, c\}$ ,  $B = \{p, q, r\}$  and  $C =$  Set of digits used to form number 1351.

Write all the subsets of sets A, B and C.

**Solution:**

$A = \{a, c\}$

Hence, the subsets are  $\{ \}$  or  $\Phi$ ,  $\{a\}$ ,  $\{c\}$  and  $\{a, c\}$ .

$B = \{p, q, r\}$

Hence, the subsets are  $\{ \}$  or  $\Phi$ ,  $\{p\}$ ,  $\{q\}$ ,  $\{r\}$ ,  $\{p, q\}$ ,  $\{p, r\}$ ,  $\{q, r\}$  and  $\{p, q, r\}$ .

$C =$  Set of digits used to form number 1351

Hence, the subsets are  $\{ \}$  or  $\Phi$ ,  $\{1\}$ ,  $\{3\}$ ,  $\{5\}$ ,  $\{1, 3\}$ ,  $\{3, 5\}$ ,  $\{1, 5\}$  and  $\{1, 3, 5\}$ .

# HOMework

- EX13 C
- Q.NO. 1to 5

- **AHA**

Given that  $N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 100\}$ . Then write

- (i) the subset of  $N$  whose elements are even numbers.
- (ii) the subset of  $N$  whose elements are perfect square numbers.



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