Background material

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- A partially ordered set (a poset) is a pair (S,≤) of a set S and a partial order ≤ over the set
- Examples of posets: $(2^s, \subseteq)$, (Z, \le) , (Z, divides)

P(S)

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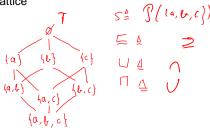
- A lattice is a tuple (S, \sqsubseteq , \bot , \top , \sqcup , \sqcap) such that:
 - (S, \sqsubseteq) is a poset
 - $\forall a \in S . \bot \sqsubseteq a$
 - $\forall a \in S . a \sqsubseteq \top$
 - Every two elements from S have a lub and a glb
 - ⊔ is the least upper bound operator, called a join
 - ¬ □ is the greatest lower bound operator, called a meet





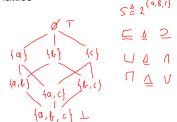
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