

## Inclusion/Exclusion with Two Sets

Inclusion/Exclusion:  $|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$

Proof:

$$A = (A \setminus B) \cup (A \cap B), \quad B = (B \setminus A) \cup (A \cap B)$$

$$|A| = |A \setminus B| + |A \cap B|, \quad |B| = |B \setminus A| + |A \cap B|$$

$$|A| + |B| - |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| + |A \cap B| + |B \setminus A| + |A \cap B| - |A \cap B| = |A \cup B|$$

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If there are two sets of choices,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{total \# of choices} &= \left( \begin{array}{l} \# \text{ of choices} \\ \text{in the first set} \end{array} \right) + \left( \begin{array}{l} \# \text{ of choices} \\ \text{in the second set} \end{array} \right) \\ &\quad - \left( \begin{array}{l} \# \text{ of choices which} \\ \text{are in both sets} \end{array} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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Q: What is  $|\{n \in [100]: 3|n \vee 5|n\}|$ ?

A: Divisible by 3:  $|\{3a: a \in \mathbb{N} \wedge a \leq \frac{100}{3}\}| = \lfloor \frac{100}{3} \rfloor = 33$  numbers.

Divisible by 5:  $\lfloor \frac{100}{5} \rfloor = 20$  numbers

Divisible by both 3 and 5  $\leftrightarrow$  Divisible by 15:  $\lfloor \frac{100}{15} \rfloor = 6$  numbers

$$33 + 20 - 6 = \textcircled{47}$$

