

$$\begin{aligned}
 A' &= U - A \\
 &= \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 10\} - \{2, 4, 6, 8\} \\
 &= \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10\}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Perform operations on sets:**

**Example:** If  $U = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 10\}$ ,  $A = \{2, 3, 5, 7\}$ ,  $B = \{3, 5, 8\}$  then

Find (i)  $A \cup B$  (ii)  $A \cap B$  (iii)  $A - B$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i)} \quad A \cup B &= \{2, 3, 5, 7\} \cup \{3, 5, 8\} \\
 &= \{2, 3, 5, 7, 8\} \\
 \text{(ii)} \quad A \cap B &= \{2, 3, 5, 7\} \cap \{3, 5, 8\} \\
 &= \{3, 5\} \\
 \text{(iii)} \quad A \setminus B &= \{2, 3, 5, 7\} \setminus \{3, 5, 8\} \\
 &= \{2, 7\} \\
 \text{(iv)} \quad A' &= U - A = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 10\} - \{2, 3, 5, 7\} \\
 &= \{1, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10\} \\
 B' &= U - B = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 10\} - \{3, 5, 8\} \\
 &= \{1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10\}
 \end{aligned}$$

## SOLVED EXERCISE 5.1

1. If  $X = \{1, 4, 7, 9\}$  and  $Y = \{2, 4, 5, 9\}$

Then find:

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|------------------|-----------------|
| (i) $X \cup Y$   | (ii) $X \cap Y$ |
| (iii) $Y \cup X$ | (iv) $Y \cap X$ |

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i)} \quad X \cup Y &= \{1, 4, 7, 9\} \cup \{2, 4, 5, 9\} \\
 &= \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 9\} \\
 \text{(ii)} \quad X \cap Y &= \{1, 4, 7, 9\} \cap \{2, 4, 5, 9\} \\
 &= \{4, 9\} \\
 \text{(iii)} \quad Y \cup X &= \{2, 4, 5, 9\} \cup \{1, 4, 7, 9\} \\
 &= \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 9\} \\
 \text{(iv)} \quad Y \cap X &= \{2, 4, 5, 9\} \cap \{1, 4, 7, 9\} \\
 &= \{4, 9\}
 \end{aligned}$$

2. If  $X$  Set of prime numbers less than or equal to 17 and Set of first 12 natural numbers, then find the following.

- |                |                 |                  |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| (i) $X \cup Y$ | (ii) $Y \cup X$ | (iii) $Z \cap Y$ | (iv) $Y \cap X$ |
|----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|

**Solution:**

$$X = \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17\}, Y = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 12\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i)} \quad X \cup Y &= \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17\} \cup \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 12\} \\
 &= \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 12, 13, 17\} \\
 &= \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 12\} \cup \{13, 17\} \\
 &= Y \cup \{13, 17\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii)} \quad Y \cup X &= \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 12\} \cup \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17\} \\
 &= \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 12, 13, 17\} \\
 &= \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 12\} \cup \{13, 17\} \\
 &= Y \cup \{13, 17\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii)} \quad X \cap Y &= \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17\} \cap \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 12\} \\
 &= \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iv)} \quad Y \cap X &= \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 12\} \cap \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17\} \\
 &= \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11\}
 \end{aligned}$$

3. If  $X = \phi$ ,  $Y = Z^+$ ,  $F = O^+$ , then

find: (i)  $X \cup Y$  (ii)  $X \cup T$  (iii)  $Y \cup T$  (iv)  $X \cap Y$

(v)  $X \cap T$  (vi)  $Y \cap T$

*Solution:*

$$X = \phi, Y = Z^+, T = O^+$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i)} \quad X \cup Y &= \phi \cup Z^+ \\
 &= Z^+ = Y
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii)} \quad X \cup T &= \phi \cup O^+ \\
 &= O^+ = T
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii)} \quad Y \cup T &= Z^+ \cup O^+ \\
 &= Z^+ = Y
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iv)} \quad X \cap Y &= \phi \cap Z^+ \\
 &= \phi
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(v)} \quad X \cap T &= \phi \cap O^+ \\
 &= \phi
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(vi)} \quad Y \cap T &= Z^+ \cap O^+ \\
 &= O^+ = T
 \end{aligned}$$

4. If  $U = \{x \mid x \in N \wedge 3 < x \leq 25\}$ ,  $X = \{x \mid x \text{ is prime} \wedge 8 < x < 25\}$   
 and  $Y = \{x \mid x \in W \wedge 4 \leq x \leq 17\}$ . Find the value of:

i)  $(X \cup Y)'$  (ii)  $X' \cap Y'$  (iii)  $(X \cap Y)'$  (iv)  $X' \cup Y'$

*Solution:*

$$U = \{4, 5, 6, 7, \dots, 24, 25\}$$

$$X = \{11, 13, 17, 19, 23\}$$

$$Y = \{4, 5, 6, 7, \dots, 16, 17\}$$

$$(i) (X \cup Y)' = U - (X \cup Y)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} X \cup Y &= \{11, 13, 17, 19, 23\} \cup \{4, 5, 6, 7, \dots, 16, 17\} \\ &= \{4, 5, 6, 7, \dots, 16, 17, 19, 23\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (X \cup Y)' &= \{4, 5, 6, 7, \dots, 24, 25\} - \{4, 5, 6, 7, \dots, 16, 17, 19, 23\} \\ &= \{18, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25\} \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) X' \cap Y'$$

$$\text{Now } X' = U - X$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \{4, 5, 6, 7, \dots, 24, 25\} - \{11, 13, 17, 19, 23\} \\ &= \{4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25\} \end{aligned}$$

$$Y' = U - Y$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \{4, 5, 6, 7, \dots, 24, 25\} - \{4, 5, 6, 7, \dots, 16, 17\} \\ &= \{18, 19, 20, \dots, 24, 25\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X' \cap Y' &= \{4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25\} \\ &\cap \{18, 19, 20, \dots, 24, 25\} \\ &= \{18, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25\} \end{aligned}$$

$$(iii) (X \cap Y)' = U - (X \cap Y)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} X \cap Y &= \{11, 13, 17, 19, 23\} \cap \{4, 5, 6, 7, \dots, 16, 17\} \\ &= \{11, 13, 17\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (X \cap Y)' &= \{4, 5, 6, 7, \dots, 24, 25\} - \{11, 13, 17\} \\ &= \{4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25\} \end{aligned}$$

$$Y' = U - Y$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \{4, 5, 6, 7, \dots, 24, 25\} - \{4, 5, 6, 7, \dots, 16, 17\} \\ &= \{18, 19, 20, \dots, 24, 25\} \end{aligned}$$

$$Y' = U - Y$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \{4, 5, 6, \dots, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, \dots, 25\} \cup \{18, 19, 20, \dots, 24, 25\} \\ &= \{4, 5, \dots, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, \dots, 25\} \end{aligned}$$

5. If  $X = \{2, 4, 6, \dots, 20\}$  and  $Y = \{4, 8, 12, \dots, 24\}$ , then find the following:

(i)  $X - Y$

(ii)  $Y - X$

*Solution:*

$$X = \{2, 4, 6, \dots, 20\}, Y = \{4, 8, 12, \dots, 24\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} i) X - Y &= \{2, 4, 6, \dots, 20\} - \{4, 8, 12, \dots, 24\} \\ &= \{2, 6, 10, 14, 18\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (ii) Y - X &= \{4, 8, 12, \dots, 24\} - \{2, 4, 6, \dots, 20\} \\ &= \{24\} \end{aligned}$$

6. If  $A = N$  and  $B = W$ , then find the value of

(i)  $A - B$

(ii)  $B - A$

**Solution:**

$$A = N \text{ and } B = W$$

(i)  $A - B = N - W$

$$= \phi$$

(ii)  $B - A = W - N$

$$= \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} - \{1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$= \{0\}$$

### Properties of Union and Intersection:

**(a) Commutative property of union.**

For any two sets  $A$  and  $B$ , prove that  $A \cup B = B \cup A$ .

**Proof:**

$$\text{Let } x \in A \cup B$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \quad \text{or} \quad x \in B \quad (\text{by definition of union of sets})$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in B \quad \text{or} \quad x \in A$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in B \cup A$$

$$\Rightarrow A \cup B \subseteq B \cup A \quad (i)$$

$$\text{Now let } y \in B \cup A$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in B \quad \text{or} \quad y \in A \quad (\text{by definition of union of sets})$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in A \quad \text{or} \quad y \in B$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in A \cup B$$

$$\Rightarrow B \cup A \subseteq A \cup B \quad (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we have  $A \cup B = B \cup A$ . (by definition of equal sets)

**(b) Commutative property of intersection**

For any two sets  $A$  and  $B$ , prove that  $A \cap B = B \cap A$

**Proof:** Let  $x \in A \cap B$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \quad \text{and} \quad x \in B \quad (\text{by definition of intersection of sets})$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in B \quad \text{and} \quad x \in A$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in B \cap A$$

$$\Rightarrow A \cap B \subseteq B \cap A \quad (i)$$

$$\text{Now let } y \in B \cap A$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in B \quad \text{and} \quad y \in A \quad (\text{by definition of intersection of sets})$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in A \quad \text{and} \quad y \in B$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in A \cap B$$

$$\text{Therefore, } B \cap A \subseteq A \cap B \quad (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we have  $A \cap B = B \cap A$  (by definition of equal sets)

**(c) Associative property of union**

For any three sets  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$ , prove that  $(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$

**Proof:** Let  $x \in (A \cup B) \cup C$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (A \cup B) \text{ or } x \in C$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ or } x \in B \text{ or } x \in C$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ or } x \in B \text{ or } A \in C$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ or } x \in B \cup C$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \cup (B \cup C)$$

$$(A \cup B) \cup C \subseteq A \cup (B \cup C) \quad (i)$$

$$\text{Similarly } A \cup (B \cup C) \subseteq (A \cup B) \cup C \quad (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we have

$$(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$$

#### (d) Associative property of intersection

For any three sets A, B and C, prove that  $(A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C)$

**Proof:** Let  $x \in (A \cap B) \cap C$ .

$$\Rightarrow x \in (A \cap B) \text{ and } x \in C$$

$$\Rightarrow (x \in A \text{ and } x \in B) \text{ and } x \in C$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ and } (x \in B) \text{ and } x \in C$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ and } x \in B \cap C$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \cap (B \cap C)$$

$$\therefore (A \cap B) \cap C \subseteq A \cap (B \cap C) \quad (i)$$

$$\text{Similarly } A \cap (B \cap C) \subseteq (A \cap B) \cap C \quad (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we have

$$(A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C)$$

#### (e) Distributive property of union over intersection

For any three sets A, B and C, prove that  $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$

**Proof:** Let  $x \in A \cup (B \cap C)$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ or } x \in B \cap C$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ or } (x \in B \text{ and } x \in C)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x \in A \text{ or } x \in B) \text{ and } (x \in A \text{ or } x \in C)$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \cup B \text{ and } x \in A \cup C$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$$

$$\text{Therefore } A \cup (B \cap C) \subseteq (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$$

$$\text{Similarly, now let } y \in (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in (A \cup B) \text{ and } y \in (A \cup C)$$

$$\Rightarrow (y \in A \text{ or } y \in B) \text{ and } (y \in A \text{ or } y \in C)$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in A \text{ or } (y \in B \text{ and } y \in C)$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in A \text{ or } y \in B \cap C$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in A \cup (B \cap C)$$

$$\Rightarrow (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C) \subseteq A \cup (B \cap C) \quad (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we have  $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$

#### (f) Distributive property of intersection over union

For any three sets A, B and C, prove that  $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$

**Proof:** Let  $x \in A \cap (B \cup C)$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ and } x \in B \cap C \\
&\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ and } [x \in B \text{ or } x \in C] \\
&\Rightarrow [x \in A \text{ and } x \in B] \text{ or } [x \in A \text{ and } x \in C] \\
&\Rightarrow [x \in A \cap B] \text{ or } [x \in A \cap C] \\
&\Rightarrow x \in (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)
\end{aligned}$$

Hence by def. of subsets

$$A \cap (B \cup C) \subseteq (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C) \quad (i)$$

$$\text{Similarly } (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C) \subseteq A \cap (B \cup C) \quad (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we have,  $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$

### (g) De-Morgan's laws

For any two sets A and B, prove that

$$(i) (A \cup B)' = A' \cap B'$$

**Proof:** Let  $x \in (A \cup B)'$

$$\Rightarrow x \notin A \cup B \quad (\text{by definition of complement of set})$$

$$\Rightarrow x \notin A \text{ and } x \notin B$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A' \text{ and } x \in B'$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A' \cap B' \quad (\text{by definition of intersection of sets})$$

$$\Rightarrow (A \cup B)' \subseteq (A' \cap B') \quad (i)$$

$$\text{Similarly } A' \cap B' \subseteq (A \cup B)' \quad (ii)$$

Using (i) and (ii), we have  $(A \cup B)' = A' \cap B'$

$$(ii) \text{ Let } x \in (A \cap B)'$$

$$\Rightarrow x \notin A \cap B$$

$$\Rightarrow x \notin A \text{ or } x \notin B$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A' \text{ or } x \in B'$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A' \cup B'$$

$$\Rightarrow (A \cap B)' \subseteq A' \cup B' \quad (i)$$

$$\text{Let } y \in A' \cap B'$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in A \cap B$$

$$\Rightarrow y \notin A \text{ or } y \notin B$$

$$\Rightarrow y \notin A \cap B$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in (A \cap B)'$$

$$\Rightarrow (A' \cap B') \subseteq (A \cap B)' \quad (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii) we have proved that

$$(A \cap B)' = A' \cup B'$$

## SOLVED EXERCISE 5.2

1. If  $X = \{1, 3, 5, 7, \dots, 19\}$ ,  $Y = \{0, 2, 4, 6, 8, \dots, 20\}$   
 $Z = \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23\}$ , then find the following.

$$(i) X \cup (Y \cap Z)$$

**Solution:**