**Theorem** (2.2.10b). Let A be a set.  $\emptyset - A = \emptyset$ .

*Proof.* Let x be an element in  $\emptyset - A \equiv \emptyset \cap \overline{A}$ . Because this expression is defined as  $(x \in \emptyset) \land (x \notin A)$  the supposition  $\exists x (x \in (\emptyset - A))$  immediately contradicts  $x \in \emptyset$ . Meaning that no such x could possibly exist. It follows that  $(\emptyset - A)$  must be empty. Hence,  $\emptyset - A = \emptyset$