

# MAT 25 Homework 2

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1. 1.2.3 (c)

Show that  $(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$  by demonstrating inclusion both ways.

*Proof.* We need to show two things:  $(A \cup B)^c \subseteq A^c \cap B^c$  and  $A^c \cap B^c \subseteq (A \cup B)^c$

(a) By definition of the complement,

$$(A \cup B)^c = \{x : x \notin (A \cup B)\}$$

This means that given some  $x$ ,  $x \notin A$  and  $x \notin B$ .

Or using the definition of complement:  $x \in A^c$  and  $x \in B^c$ .

From the definition of intersection we get:  $x \in A^c \cap B^c$

Since  $x$  was an arbitrary choice, this result holds for all  $x$  in the set.

Or more succinctly,  $\forall x \in (A \cup B)^c, x \in A^c \cap B^c$ .

By the definition of inclusion, we can say:

$$(A \cup B)^c \subseteq A^c \cap B^c$$

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