# **Assignment 1: Solution**

1. Prove that ' $X \to Y$ ' is equivalent to ' $\sim (X \land \sim Y)$ '.

## Truth Table:

| X | Y | $X \rightarrow Y$ | ~Y | <i>X</i> | ~(X \ ~ Y) |
|---|---|-------------------|----|----------|------------|
| T | T | <i>T</i>          | F  | F        | <i>T</i>   |
| T | F | F                 | T  | T        | F          |
| F | T | <i>T</i>          | F  | F        | T          |
| F | F | T                 | T  | F        | T          |

# 2. (De Morgan's Law)

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| T | F | F            | <i>T</i> | F  | T  | T          |
| F | T | F            | <i>T</i> | T  | F  | <i>T</i>   |
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- (a) Prove that ' $\sim (X \wedge Y)$ ' is equivalent to ' $(\sim X) \vee (\sim Y)$ '.
- (b) Use (a) to prove that ' $\sim (X \vee Y)$ ' is equivalent to ' $(\sim X) \wedge (\sim Y)$ '.

$$(\sim X') \lor (\sim Y') \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \sim (X' \land Y')$$
$$\sim ((\sim X') \lor (\sim Y')) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad X' \land Y'$$

Let 
$$X = \sim X'$$
 and  $Y = \sim Y'$   
  $\sim (X \lor Y) \Leftrightarrow (\sim X) \land (\sim Y)$ 

3. Verify the following set identities by using the Venn diagram. Pay attention to the meaning of these identities.

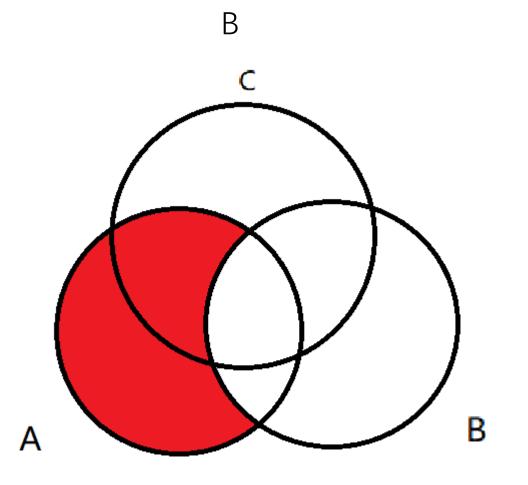
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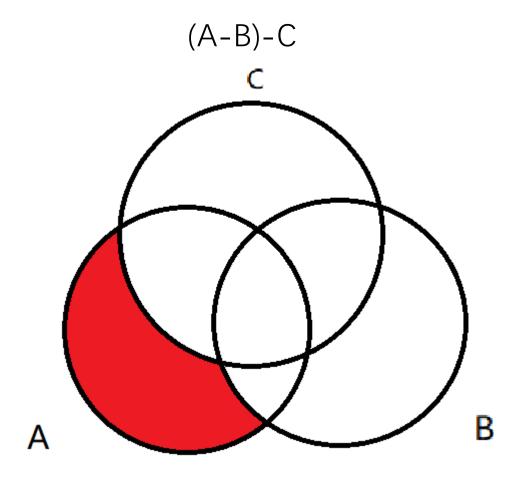
(b) 
$$(A - B) - C = (A - C) - B$$

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

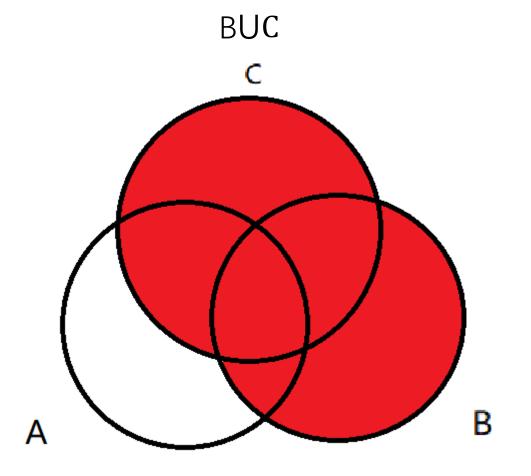
(d) 
$$(A \cap B) - C = (A - C) \cap (B - C)$$

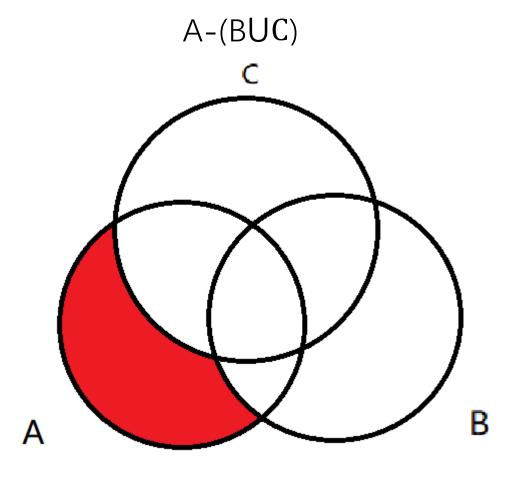
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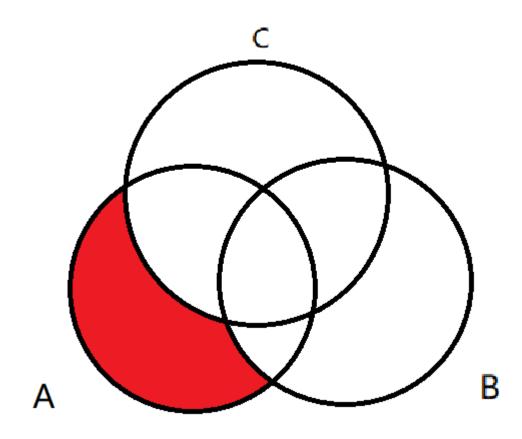


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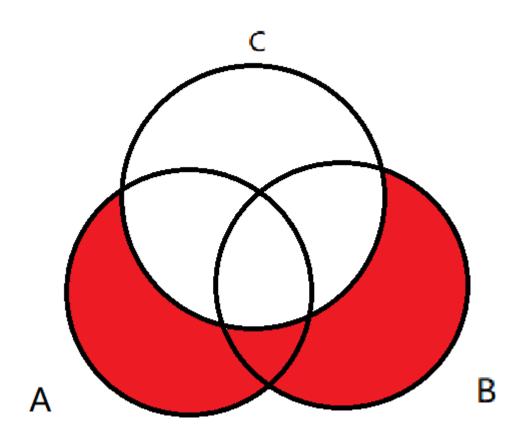




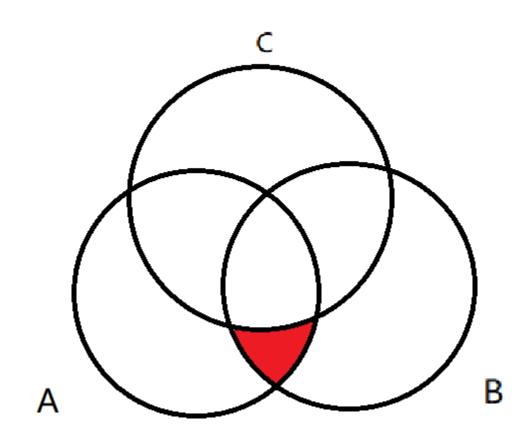
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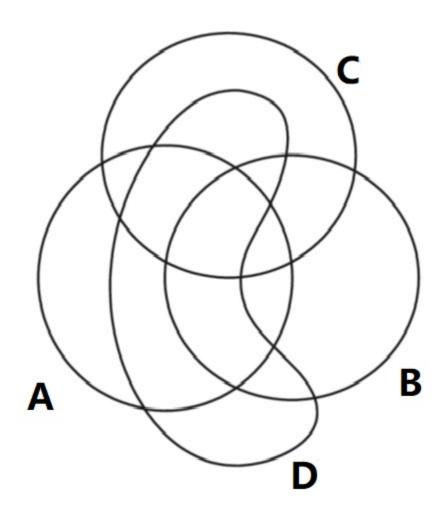
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4. (a) Show the union of the following sets in a Venn diagram:

$$(A \cap B) - C$$
,  $(B \cap C) - D$ ,  $(C \cap D) - A$ ,  $(A \cap D) - B$ .

Are these sets disjoint?



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(b) Show the union of the following sets in a Venn diagram:

$$(C \cap D) - B$$
,  $(A \cap D) - C$ ,  $(A \cap B) - D$ ,  $(B \cap C) - A$ .

Are these sets disjoint?

**Disjoint?** 

$$(A \cap D) - C \qquad (C \cap D) - B \qquad (B \cap C) - A \qquad (A \cap B) - D$$

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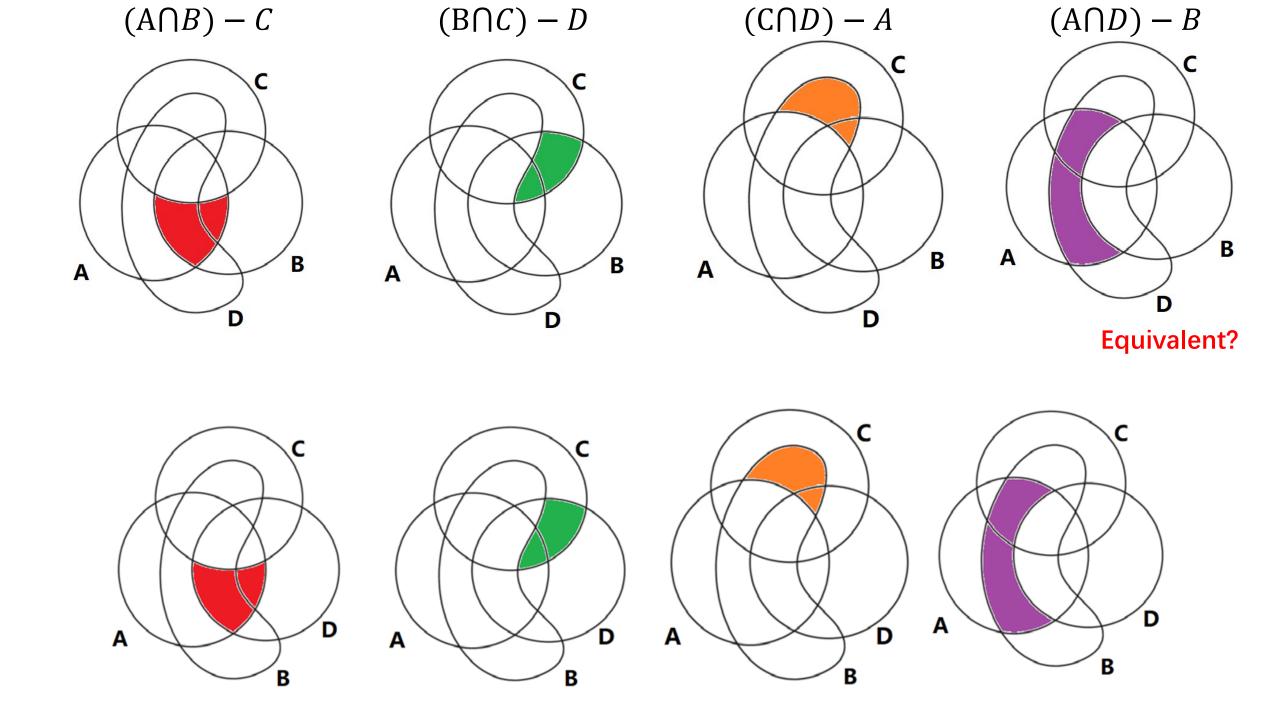
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(c) Are the unions in (a) and (b) equivalent?



5. For simplicity, assume that CUHK has only four colleges: Chung Chi, New Asia, United, and Shaw. Let C, N, U, and S be the sets of all Chung Chi students, New Asia students, United students, and Shaw students, respectively. Let M be the set of all Music Major students. Let Y be the sets of all students living in Ying Lin Tang (a Chung Chi hostel). Let W be the set of all students who attended the Wei Lun Lecture.

## Important!

1. 
$$A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$$

$$2. \ A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$$

- (a) Express the following in set-theoretic terms:
  - i. a Music Major student must belong to Chung Chi College (which is true)  $M \subset C$
  - ii. Music Major students living in Ying Lin Tang  $M \cap Y$
  - iii. students belonging to neither United College nor Shaw College who did not attend the 2015 Wei Lun Lecture  $(U \cup S)^c \cap W^c$
  - iv. a student cannot belong to more than one college

$$C \cap N = C \cap U = C \cap S = N \cap U = N \cap S = U \cap S = \emptyset$$

- v. no students from Shaw attended the Wei Lun Lecture  $S \cap W = \emptyset$
- vi. Chung Chi Music Major students who attended the 2015 Wei Lun Lecture  $C \cap M \cap W$
- vii. New Asia students who did not attend the 2015 Wei Lun Lecture.  $N \cap W^c$

- (b) Show that for a student not belonging to Category vi in (a), if the student is a Music Major, then at least one of the following is true:
  - i. belongs to New Asia, United, or Shaw
  - ii. did not attend the Wei Lun Lecture.

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(a) \forall i: C \cap M \cap W
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Not belonging vi:  $(C \cap M \cap W)^c$ 

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Music major: (C \cap M \cap W)^c \cap M = (C^c \cup M^c \cup W^c) \cap M
= (C^c \cap M) \cup (M^c \cap M) \cup (W^c \cap M)
= (C^c \cap M) \cup (W^c \cap M)
= (C^c \cup W^c) \cap M
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Not belong to  $C \rightarrow$  belong to N or U or S.

Not belong to *W* 

(c) Show that for a student not belonging to Category vii in (a), if the student did not attend the 2015 Wei Lun Lecture, then the student does not belong to New Asia.

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(a) vii: N \cap W^c

Not belonging vii: (N \cap W^c)^c = N^c \cup W

Did not attend W:(N^c \cup W) \cap W^c

= (N^c \cap W^c) \cup (W^c \cap W)

= N^c \cap W^c
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