

Assignment 3 – Due 7/16/2017

Part II. Exercise Set 6.1 [12, 16]; Set 6.2 [4, 10, 14]; Set 6.3 [12, 37, 42]

Set 6.1 [12, 16]

**12Q:** Let the universal set be the set  $\mathbb{R}$  of all real numbers and let  $A = [x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -3 \leq x \leq 0]$ ,  $B = [x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -1 < x < 2]$ , and  $C = [x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 6 < x \leq 8]$ . Find each of the following:

- a)  $A \cup B = [-3, 2)$
- b)  $A \cap B = (-1, 0]$
- c)  $A^c = (-\infty, -3) \cup (0, \infty)$
- d)  $A \cup C = [-3, 0] \cup (6, 8]$
- e)  $A \cap C = \emptyset$  // The two sets don't intersect
- f)  $B^c = (-\infty, -1] \cup [2, \infty)$
- g)  $A^c \cap B^c = (-\infty, -3) \cup [2, \infty)$
- h)  $A^c \cup B^c = (-\infty, -1] \cup (0, \infty)$
- i)  $(A \cap B)^c = (-\infty, -1] \cup (0, \infty)$
- j)  $(A \cup B)^c = (-\infty, -3] \cup (2, \infty)$

**16Q:** Let  $A = [a, b, c]$ ,  $B = [b, c, d]$ , and  $C = [b, c, e]$

- a) Find  $A \cup (B \cap C)$ ,  $(A \cup B) \cap C$ , and  $(A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$ . Which of these sets are equal?
- $A \cup (B \cap C) = [a, b, c]$   
 $(A \cup B) \cap C = [b, c]$   
 $(A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C) = [a, b, c]$

Therefore  $A \cup (B \cap C)$  and  $(A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$  are equal.

- b) Find  $A \cap (B \cup C)$ ,  $(A \cap B) \cup C$ , and  $(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$ . Which of these sets are equal?
- $A \cap (B \cup C) = [b, c]$   
 $(A \cap B) \cup C = [b, c, e]$   
 $(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C) = [b, c]$

Therefore  $A \cap (B \cup C)$  and  $(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$  are equal.

- c) Find  $(A - B) - C$  and  $A - (B - C)$ . Are these sets equal?
- $(A - B) - C = \{a\}$   
 $A - (B - C) = \{a, b, c\}$

Therefore  $(A - B) - C \neq A - (B - C)$

## Set 6.2 [4, 10, 14]

**4Q:** The following is a proof that for all sets A and B, if  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $A \cup B \subseteq B$ . Fill in the blanks.

**A:** Proof: Suppose A and B are any sets and  $A \subseteq B$ . [We must show that  $A \cup B \subseteq B$ .] Let  $x \in A \cup B$ . [We must show that  $x \in B$ . By definition of unions,  $x \in A$  or  $x \in B$ . In case  $x \in A$ , then since  $A \subseteq B$ ,  $x \in B$ . In case  $x \in B$ , then clearly  $x \in B$ . So in either case,  $x \in B$  [as was to be shown].

Use an element argument to prove each statement in 7-19. Assume that all sets are subsets of a universal set U.

**10Q:** For all sets A, B, and C,

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

**A:**

First we must show that  $(A - B) \cap (C - B)$  is a subset of  $(A \cap C) - B$ .

Suppose there is an element x in  $(A - B) \cap (C - B)$ . By definition of intersection,  $x \in (A - B)$  and  $x \in (C - B)$ .

$$x \in (A - B) \leftrightarrow x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B \text{ // By set definition}$$

$$x \in (C - B) \leftrightarrow x \in C \text{ and } x \notin B \text{ // By set definition}$$

$$x \in A \text{ and } x \in C \text{ is } x \in (A \cap C) \text{ // By definition of intersection}$$

We get  $x \in (A \cap C)$  and  $x \notin B$  which shows  $x \in (A \cap C) - B$  by definition of set difference.

Because we showed that  $(A - B) \cap (C - B) \rightarrow x \in (A \cap C) - B$ , we proved that  $(A - B) \cap (C - B) \subseteq (A \cap C) - B$ .

**14Q:** For all sets A, B, and C, if  $A \subseteq B$  then  $A \cup C \subseteq B \cup C$

**A:**

Suppose A, B, and C are sets and  $A \subseteq B$ . We must show that  $A \cup C \subseteq B \cup C$ .

Let  $x \in A \cup C$ . By definition of union,  $x \in A$  or  $x \in C$ .

Examining  $x \in A$  and  $x \in C$ , we can assume that  $x \in B$  because  $A \subseteq B$ .

Hence,  $x \in B$  or  $x \in C$ , which is  $x \in B \cup C$  by definition of union.

Therefore, if  $A \subseteq B$  then  $A \cup C \subseteq B \cup C$

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### Set 6.3 [12, 37, 42]

For each of 5-21 prove each statement that is true and find a counterexample for each statement that is false. Assume all sets are subsets of a universal set U.

12Q: For all sets A, B, and C,

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

A: Show that  $A \cap (B - C) \subseteq (A \cap B) - (A \cap C)$  and  $(A \cap B) - (A \cap C) \subseteq A \cap (B - C)$

Let  $x \in A \cap (B - C)$ ,  $x \in A$ ,  $x \in (B - C)$  // By def. of intersection

Which means  $x \in A$ ,  $x \in B$ , and  $x \notin C$  //by set difference.

$= x \in (A \cap B)$  and  $x \notin (A \cap C)$  //by intersection

$= x \in (A \cap B) - (A \cap C)$

Let  $x \in (A \cap B) - (A \cap C)$

$x \in (A \cap B)$  and  $x \notin (A \cap C)$  // By set difference

Which means  $x \in A$ ,  $x \in B$ , and  $x \notin C$

$x \in A$  and  $x \in (B - C)$

$x \in A \cap (B - C)$ .

Therefore,  $A \cap (B - C) = (A \cap B) - (A \cap C)$

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37Q: For all sets A and B,  $(B^c \cup (B^c - A))^c = B$

A:

$(B^c \cup (B^c - A))^c = (B^c \cup (B^c \cap A^c))^c$  //By Difference

$= (B^c)^c \cap (B^c \cap A^c)^c$  //By DeMorgan's

$= (B^c)^c \cap (B^c)^c \cup (A^c)^c$  //By DeMorgan's

$= B \cap (B \cup A)$  //By double complement

$= B$  //By Absorption

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**42Q: Simplify:  $(A - (A \cap B)) \cap (B - (A \cap B))$**

A:

$$\begin{aligned}(A - (A \cap B)) \cap (B - (A \cap B)) &= (A \cap (A \cap B)^c) \cap (B \cap (A \cap B)^c) \text{ //By difference} \\&= (A \cap (A^c \cup B^c) \cap (B \cap (A^c \cup B^c) \text{ // By DeMorgan's} \\&= ((A \cap A^c) \cup (A \cap B^c) \cap ((B \cap A^c) \cup (B \cap B^c) \text{ // By Distributive} \\&= (\emptyset \cup (A \cap B^c)) \cap ((B \cap A^c) \cup \emptyset) \text{ // By Complementation} \\&= (A \cap B^c) \cap (B \cap A^c) \text{ //By Identity} \\&= (A \cap A^c) \cap (B \cap B^c) \text{ //By Associative} \\&= \emptyset \cap \emptyset \text{ // By Complementation} \\&= \emptyset \text{ // By Universal Bound Law}\end{aligned}$$