

MTH 231 LEC 12

Tricky Power sets Note

- Note that $\emptyset \in P(A)$ because $\emptyset \subseteq A$

Set Operations

- Union of sets: $A \cup B$ = anything in a ^{or} a and b
or logical or. $\{1, 2\} \cup \{3, 7, \emptyset\} = \{1, 2, 3, 7, \emptyset\}$
- Intersection of sets: $A \cap B$: things only in a and b .
- Disjoint sets are sets where $A \cap B = \emptyset$
i.e. they do not share any elements
- Difference of A, B is " $A - B$ ". ~ " A/B "
 $= \{x \in A \mid x \notin B\}$
- Not, AKA "complement" = $\bar{A} = \{x \mid x \notin A\}$
↳ required is the domain of discourse!

|| Note: $A - B = A \cap \bar{B}$

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Set Equivalence

- 1] a set equality proof using equivalences and element chasing

$$\begin{aligned} 2] \quad x \in A - B & \text{ iff } x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B \\ & \Leftrightarrow x \in A \text{ and } x \in \bar{B} \\ & \Leftrightarrow x \in (A \cap \bar{B}) \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{Def.'s}$$

3] Thus, $A - B = A \cap \bar{B}$. \square ↑ must check that maths work in both directions!

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \overline{A \cap B} & \Leftrightarrow x \notin A \cap B \\ & \Leftrightarrow \neg(x \in A \cap B) \\ & \Leftrightarrow \neg(x \in A \text{ and } x \in B) \\ & \Leftrightarrow (\neg x \in A) \text{ or } (\neg x \in B) \\ & \Leftrightarrow x \notin A \text{ or } x \notin B \\ & \Leftrightarrow x \in \bar{A} \text{ or } x \in \bar{B} \\ & \Leftrightarrow x \in \bar{A} \cup \bar{B} \\ \overline{A \cap B} & \Leftrightarrow \bar{A} \cup \bar{B} \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Distribution Laws

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

De Morgan's Law

$$\overline{A \cap B} = \bar{A} \cup \bar{B}, \quad \overline{A \cup B} = \bar{A} \cap \bar{B}$$

Element Chasing Proof

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