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### Assignment 3.2

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2.

a)  $A \cap B$

b)  $A - B$

c)  $A \cup B$

d)  $\overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$

4.

a)  $\{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h\}$

b)  $\{a, b, c, d, e\}$

c)  $\phi$

d)  $\{f, g, h\}$

12.

Let's prove  $A \cup (A \cap B) \subseteq A$ : Let's assume  $x \in A \cup (A \cap B)$ , then there are three options:  $x \in A$ ,  $x \in (A \cap B)$ ,  $x \in A$  and  $x \in (A \cap B)$ . In the case of the first option,  $x \in A$ , we immediately get that  $A \cup (A \cap B) \subseteq A$ . In the case of the third option, we also get  $A \cup (A \cap B) \subseteq A$  immediately, and in the case of the second option,  $x \in (A \cap B)$ , by definition of intersection of two sets, we get that  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B$ , which again confirms that  $A \cup (A \cap B) \subseteq A$ .

16.

a) For  $x \in (A \cap B)$ ,  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B$ . So,  $x \in A$ . Since  $x \in (A \cap B) \Rightarrow x \in A$ , we have  $(A \cap B) \subseteq A$ .

b) Suppose  $x \in A$ . Then certainly  $(x \in A) \vee (x \in B)$ . So,  $x \in A \cup B$ . Since  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in A \cup B$ , we have  $A \subseteq A \cup B$ .

c) Suppose  $x \in A \setminus B$ . Then  $(x \in A) \wedge (x \notin B)$ . So  $x \in A$ . Thus  $(x \in (A \setminus B)) \Rightarrow x \in A$ , so  $A \setminus B \subseteq A$ .

d) Suppose  $x \in A \cap (B \setminus A)$ . So  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B \setminus A$ . Since  $x \in B \setminus A$ ,  $x \in B$  and  $x \notin A$ . But  $x \in A$ ! Contradiction, so our assumption  $x \in A \cap (B \setminus A)$  must be wrong. Thus  $A \cap (B \setminus A)$  must be empty.

e) Suppose  $x \in A \cup (B \setminus A)$ . Then  $x \in A$  or  $x \in B \setminus A$ . If  $x \in B \setminus A$ ,  $(x \in B) \vee (x \notin A)$ , so  $x \in B$ . So  $x \in A$  or  $x \in B$ , which implies  $x \in A \cup B$ . Thus,  $x \in A \cup (B \setminus A) \Rightarrow x \in A \cup B$ , or  $A \cup (B \setminus A) \subseteq A \cup B$ .

18.

a) Let's say  $x \in (A \cup B)$ . By the definition of union,  $x \in A$  or  $x \in B$ . It follows that  $x \in A$ ,  $x \in B$ , or  $x \in C$  holds. Using the definition of union, we conclude that

$x \in (A \cup B \cup C)$ .

b) Let's say  $x \in (A \cap B \cap C)$ . By the definition of intersection,  $x \in A$ ,  $x \in B$ , and  $x \in C$ . Therefore, it is apparent that  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B$  holds. By the definition of intersection,  $x \in A \cap B$ . So we conclude that  $(A \cap B \cap C) \subseteq (A \cap B)$ .

c) Let's say  $x \in (A - B) - C$ . By the definition of difference,  $x \in A$ ,  $x \notin B$ , and  $x \notin C$ . Therefore,  $x \in A$  and  $x \notin C$ . By the definition of difference,  $x \in A - C$ .

d) Let's say that  $(A - C) \cap (C - B) = \phi$ . Then there exists an  $x$  such that  $x \in (A - C) \cap (C - B)$ . By the definition of intersection,  $x \in (A - C)$  and  $x \in (C - B)$ . By the definition of difference, it follows that  $x \in A$  and  $x \notin C$  and that  $x \in C$  and  $x \notin B$ . This leads to the contradiction that  $x \in C$  and  $x \notin C$ . Hence, our assumption is false and we conclude that  $(A - C) \cap (C - B) = \phi$ .

e)

A	B	C	$C - A$	$B - A$	$B \cup C$	$(C - A) \cup (B - A)$	$(B \cup C) - A$
1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Membership table proves identity.

20.

A B	$(A \cap B)$	$\overline{B}$	$(A \cap \overline{B})$	$(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap \overline{B})$
1 1	1	0	0	1
1 0	0	1	1	1
0 1	0	0	0	0
0 0	0	1	0	0

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