

Math 1324

Section 5.1 Part 2

Set Operations

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Set Complementation

Let U be a universal set and A be a subset of U , then

1. $U^c = \emptyset$

2. $\emptyset^c = U$

3. $(A^c)^c = A$

4. $A \cup A^c = U$

5. $A \cap A^c = \emptyset$

Set Operations

Let U be a universal set. If A , B , and C are arbitrary subsets of U , then

$$1. A \cup B = B \cup A$$

$$2. A \cap B = B \cap A$$

$$3. (A \cup (B \cup C)) = ((A \cup B) \cup C)$$

$$4. (A \cap (B \cap C)) = ((A \cap B) \cap C)$$

$$5. (A \cup (B \cap C)) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$$

$$6. (A \cap (B \cup C)) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$$

De Morgan's Laws

Let A and B be sets. Then

$$1. (A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$$

$$2. (A \cap B)^c = A^c \cup B^c$$

These laws can be extended out to a finite number of sets.

Example: Let $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, a, b, c, d\}$,

$A = \{2, 4, a, c, d\}$, $B = \{1, 2, b, c\}$, and

$C = \{2, 4, a, c, d\}$.

Find the given sets.

a. $(A \cap C)$

b. $(B^c \cap A)$

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Find the given sets.

a. $(C \cup A)$

b. $(C^c \cap B^c)$

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Find the given set. $((A \cap B)^c \cup C)$

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$A = \{3, 4, b, c\}$, $B = \{1, 4, a, c\}$, and

$C = \{2, 3, 4, a, c, d\}$.

Find the given set. $((A^c \cup C) \cap B^c)$

Example: Let U denote the set of all children in a given 1st grade class. Let $L = \{x \in U \mid x \text{ likes lemon pie}\}$, $A = \{x \in U \mid x \text{ likes apple pie}\}$ and $B = \{x \in U \mid x \text{ likes blueberry pie}\}$.

Describe the given set in words.

a. $A \cap L$

The set of children in a given 1st grade class that

b. $((A \cup B) \cap L^c)$

The set of children in a given 1st grade class that

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Describe the given statement in set notation.

a. The set of children in a given 1st grade class that like apple pie or blueberry pie.

b. The set of children in a given 1st grade class that do not like lemon pie or blueberry pie, but do like apple pie.