

Math 3283W: solutions for skills problems due 25 September

(5.4) (a) $A \cap B = \{2, 4, 6, 8\} \cap \{1, 2, 3, 4\} = \{2, 4\}$.

(b) $A \cup B = \{2, 4, 6, 8\} \cup \{1, 2, 3, 4\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8\}$.

(c) $A \setminus B = \{2, 4, 6, 8\} \setminus \{1, 2, 3, 4\} = \{6, 8\}$.

(d) $B \cap C = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \cap \{5, 6, 7\} = \emptyset$.

(e) $B \setminus C = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \setminus \{5, 6, 7\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$.

(f) $(B \cup C) \setminus A = (\{1, 2, 3, 4\} \cup \{5, 6, 7\}) \setminus \{2, 4, 6, 8\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\} \setminus \{2, 4, 6, 8\} = \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$.

(g) $(A \cap C) \setminus B = (\{2, 4, 6, 8\} \cap \{5, 6, 7\}) \setminus \{1, 2, 3, 4\} = \{6\} \setminus \{1, 2, 3, 4\} = \{6\}$.

(h) $C \setminus (A \cup B) = \{5, 6, 7\} \setminus (\{2, 4, 6, 8\} \cup \{1, 2, 3, 4\}) = \{5, 6, 7\} \setminus \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8\} = \{5, 7\}$.

(5.5) See “diagram page”.

(5.6) (a) $(A \cup B) \cup (U \setminus A) = (A \cup (U \setminus A)) \cup B = U \cup B = U$.

(c) $A \cap ((B \cup (U \setminus A))) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap (U \setminus A)) = (A \cap B) \cup \emptyset = A \cap B$.

(e)

$$\begin{aligned}(A \cup B) \cap (A \cup (U \setminus B)) &= ((A \cup B) \cap A) \cup ((A \cup B) \cap (U \setminus B)) \\ &= [(A \cap A) \cup (B \cap A)] \cup [(A \cap (U \setminus B)) \cup (B \cap (U \setminus B))] \\ &= A \cup (A \cap B) \cup (A \setminus B) \cup \emptyset \\ &= A.\end{aligned}$$

(5.7) (a) See “diagram page”.

(b) $A \Delta A = (A \setminus A) \cup (A \setminus A) = \emptyset \cup \emptyset = \emptyset$.

(c) $A \Delta \emptyset = (A \setminus \emptyset) \cup (\emptyset \setminus A) = A \cup \emptyset = A$.

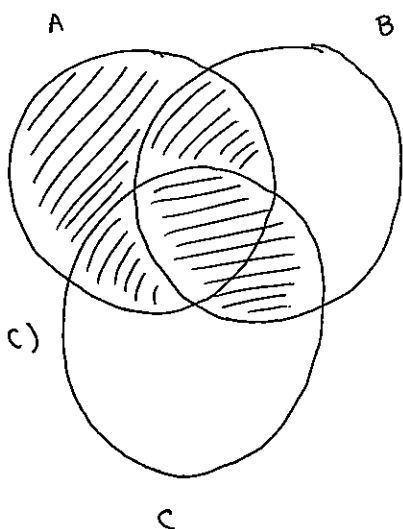
(d) $A \Delta U = (A \setminus U) \cup (U \setminus A) = \emptyset \cup (U \setminus A) = U \setminus A$.

(5.16) (b) and (d) allow us to conclude $x \notin A \setminus B$. x could belong to both A and B and the statement of (a) would still be true, so (a) does not yield the desired conclusion; neither does (c), as the statement of (c) implies $x \in A \setminus B$ or $x \in B \setminus A$ but does not tell us which of these two must hold.

Venn Diagrams for skills problems due 9/25 (Math 3283W)

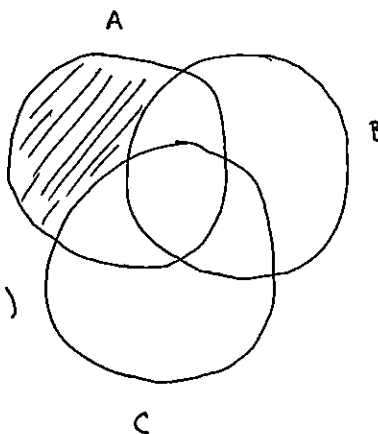
5.5(a)

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



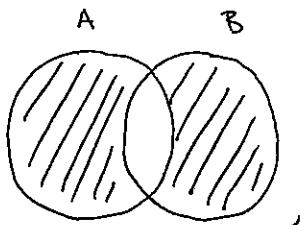
5.5(b)

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



5.7(a)

$$A \Delta B =$$



the set of elements of $A \cup B$ belonging to
A or B but not both

$$(A \Delta B) = (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B) \\ = (A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A)$$