

Operations on Sets

* Union

- $A \cup B$

- just combine the elements & eliminate multiples

- $A + B$ (or)

- $A \cup B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$

* Intersection

- $A \cap B = A \text{ and } B = AB$

- what elements overlap

- $A \cap B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$

- $A \odot B$

- all operations yield a set

* Subset

- $A \cap B \subseteq A \cup B$

- $C \subseteq D$, how do we show this?

- pick $x \in C$, show $x \in D$

* Proof

- $A \cap B \subseteq A \cup B$

1. - pick $x \in A \cap B$, show $x \in A \cup B$

since $x \in A \cap B$, then $x \in A$ and $x \in B$

so $x \in A$

thus $x \in A$ or $x \in B$

hence $x \in A \cup B$

d prove $(A \cap B \cap C) \cup F \subseteq D \cap E$

pick $(A \cap B \cap C) \cup F$

- solve

* Proving

- pick an arbitrary element ^{given} x & show it is in D

- cannot show by example

* Complement

- $A - B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$

-  $A - B$

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

- complement of B with respect to A

- complement of $A = \bar{A}$

- $U - A = \bar{A}$

* Symmetric difference

- $A \oplus B = (A - B) \cup (B - A)$

- can be written $(A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$

- $x \notin B = x \in \bar{B}$

* Distributive Property

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

* De Morgan's Law

- $\overline{A \cup B} = \bar{A} \cap \bar{B}$

- $\overline{A \cap B} = \bar{A} \cup \bar{B}$

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- $|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$