

Section 1.7: cont'd

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computer representation of sets

consider the following sets

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \{1, 3, 5\} \\ B &= \{1, 4, 7, 10\} \\ U &= \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 10\} \end{aligned}$$

convert everything to bitstrings (1s and 0s)

elements sets	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
B	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
\bar{A}	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
\bar{B}	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
$\bar{A} \cap \bar{B}$	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0

$$\text{so } \bar{A} \cap \bar{B} = \{2, 6, 8, 9\}$$

note: answer must be
in set form

example: consider the sets

$$\begin{aligned} U &= \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 8\} \\ A &= \{2, 4, 5, 6, 7\} \\ B &= \{1, 2, 3, 7, 8\} \end{aligned}$$

use computer representation of sets to find

$$\overline{A \cap B} \cup A$$

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
A	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
B	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
\bar{A}	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
$\bar{A} \cap B$	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
$\overline{\bar{A} \cap B}$	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
$\overline{\bar{A} \cap B} \cup A$	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\bar{A} \cap B} \cup A &= \{2, 4, 5, 6, 7\} \\ &= A \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\overline{\bar{A} \cap B} \cup A} \right\} \text{either}$$