

## Answers to drill problems 1.

**Problem 1.** Find the sets  $A \cap B$ ,  $A \cup B$ ,  $A \setminus B$ ,  $A \Delta B$ , where

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| a. $A = \{1, 3, 7\}$ , $B = \{2, 3, 5\}$ ,          | b. $A = \{4, 6\}$ , $B = \{4, 6\}$ ,                |
| c. $A = \emptyset$ , $B = \{2, 4\}$ ,               | d. $A = \{2, 4\}$ , $B = \emptyset$ ,               |
| e. $A = \mathbb{N}$ , $B = \{2, 4, 6, 8, \dots\}$ , | f. $A = \{1, 3, 5, 7, \dots\}$ , $B = \mathbb{N}$ , |
| g. $A = \{\emptyset, \{1\}\}$ , $B = \{1\}$ .       |   |

**Answer.**

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| a. $A \cap B = \{3\}$ , $A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3, 5, 7\}$ , $A \setminus B = \{1, 7\}$ , $A \Delta B = \{1, 2, 5, 7\}$ ;                                 |  |
| b. $A \cap B = \{4, 6\}$ , $A \cup B = \{4, 6\}$ , $A \setminus B = \emptyset$ , $A \Delta B = \emptyset$ ;   |  |
| c. $A \cap B = \emptyset$ , $A \cup B = \{2, 4\}$ , $A \setminus B = \emptyset$ , $A \Delta B = \{2, 4\}$ ;   |  |
| d. $A \cap B = \emptyset$ , $A \cup B = \{2, 4\}$ , $A \setminus B = \{2, 4\}$ , $A \Delta B = \{2, 4\}$ ;  |  |
| e. $A \cap B = \{2, 4, 6, 8, \dots\}$ , $A \cup B = \mathbb{N}$ , $A \setminus B = \{1, 3, 5, 7, \dots\}$ ,<br>$A \Delta B = \{1, 3, 5, 7, \dots\}$ ; |  |
| f. $A \cap B = \{1, 3, 5, 7, \dots\}$ , $A \cup B = \mathbb{N}$ , $A \setminus B = \emptyset$ , $A \Delta B = \{2, 4, 6, 8, \dots\}$ ;                |  |
| g. $A \cap B = \emptyset$ , $A \cup B = \{1, \emptyset, \{1\}\}$ , $A \setminus B = \{\emptyset, \{1\}\}$ , $A \Delta B = \{1, \emptyset, \{1\}\}$ .  |  |

**Problem 2.** Find the power set  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ , where

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| a. $A = \{x, y, z\}$ , | b. $A = \emptyset$ . |
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**Answer.**

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| a. $\mathcal{P}(\{x, y, z\}) = \{\emptyset, \{x\}, \{y\}, \{z\}, \{x, y\}, \{x, z\}, \{y, z\}, \{x, y, z\}\}$ , |  |
| b. $\mathcal{P}(\emptyset) = \{\emptyset\}$ .   |  |

**Problem 3.** Let  $P, Q, R$  be statements. Write truth tables for

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| a. $P_1 = (P \text{ and } (Q \text{ or } R))$ ,                  | b. $P_2 = ((P \text{ and } Q) \text{ or } R)$ ,                 |
| c. $P_3 = (P \text{ or } (Q \text{ and } R))$ ,                  | d. $P_4 = ((P \text{ or } Q) \text{ and } R)$ ,                 |
| e. $P_5 = ((P \text{ and } Q) \text{ or } (P \text{ and } R))$ , | f. $P_6 = ((P \text{ or } Q) \text{ and } (Q \text{ or } R))$ , |
| g. $P_7 = (\text{not } (P \text{ or } Q))$ ,                     | h. $P_8 = ((\text{not } P) \text{ and } (\text{not } Q))$ ,     |
| i. $P_9 = ((P \Rightarrow (\text{not } Q)) \Rightarrow R)$ ,     | j. $P_{10} = (P \Rightarrow ((\text{not } Q) \Rightarrow R))$ . |

What statements are equal to each other?

**Answer.** (See the attached table). From the table (or one can check from definitions and logic operations) we see that  $P_1 = P_5$ ,  $P_2 = P_9$ ,  $P_7 = P_8$ . Note also that  $P_2 = ((P \text{ or } R) \text{ and } (P \text{ or } Q))$ ,  $P_6 = Q \text{ or } (P \text{ and } R)$ .