

Let $U = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ be the universal set, $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$, and $B = \{4, 5, 6, 7\}$. Find each of the following numbers.

1. $|A \times B|$

Solution: $|A \times B| = |A| \times |B| = 6 \times 4 = 24.$

2. $|\overline{A} \times \overline{B}|$

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3. $|A \times \overline{B}|$

Solution: $|A \times \overline{B}| = |A| \times |\overline{B}| = 6 \times 6 = 36.$

4. $|\overline{A} \times B|$

Solution: $|\overline{A} \times B| = |\overline{A}| \times |B| = 4 \times 4 = 16.$

5. $|A \times B| + |\overline{A} \times \overline{B}| + |A \times \overline{B}| + |\overline{A} \times B|$

Solution: $|A \times B| + |\overline{A} \times \overline{B}| + |A \times \overline{B}| + |\overline{A} \times B| = 24 + 24 + 36 + 16 = 100.$
Another way to see this is to note that $U \times U$, which has 100 elements, can be decomposed (partitioned) into the four sets $A \times B$, $\overline{A} \times \overline{B}$, $A \times \overline{B}$ and $\overline{A} \times B$

6. $|(A \cap B) \times (A \cup B)|$

Solution: $|(A \cap B) \times (A \cup B)| = |(A \cap B)| \times |(A \cup B)| = 2 \times 8 = 16.$

7. $|(A \cap B) \times \overline{(A \cup B)}|$

Solution: $|(A \cap B) \times \overline{(A \cup B)}| = 2 \times 2 = 4.$

8. $|\{T : T \subseteq U, |T \cap A| = 2 \text{ and } |T \cap B| = 2\}|$. In other words, how many subsets T of U have exactly two elements in common with A and exactly two elements in common with B . Hint: start this problem by listing a few of the sets with the desired properties, and then ask yourself 'how much freedom is there in choosing such sets?'

Solution: We'll look at three types of sets based on how T intersects $A \setminus B$, $A \cap B$, and $B \setminus A$. Case 1. $|T \cap A \cap B| = 2$, There are just four subsets of this type, $\{4, 5\}$, $\{4, 5, 8\}$, $\{4, 5, 9\}$, and $\{4, 5, 8, 9\}$. Next suppose $|T \cap (A \setminus B)| = |T \cap (B \setminus A)| = |T \cap (A \cap B)| = 1$ There are 4 ways to choose the member of $A \setminus B$, 2 ways to choose the member of $A \cap B$, 2 ways to choose the member of $B \setminus A$ and 4 ways to attach a subset of $\{8, 9\}$. Finally we could have $|T \cap (A \setminus B)| = 2 = |T \cap (B \setminus A)|$, in which case there are 6 ways to choose the two elements of A and 1 way to choose the 2 elements of B , and then 4 ways to finish building the set. The sum of these is $4 + 6 + 24 = 34$ ways to build T .