

Conditions

The complement of set B relative to set A is the set

- (A) $A \setminus B = \{x: x \in A \text{ or } x \notin B\}$
- (B) $A \setminus B = \{x: x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$
- (C) $A/B = \{x: x \in A \text{ or } x \notin B\}$
- (D) $A/B = \{x: x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$

Please explain

Solution

If A and B are sets, then the relative complement of A in B, also termed the set-theoretic difference of B and A, is the set of elements in B, but not in A.

The relative complement of A in B is denoted $B \setminus A$ according to the ISO 31-11 standard (sometimes written $B - A$, but this notation is ambiguous, as in some contexts it can be interpreted as the set of all $b - a$, where b is taken from B and a from A).

Formally

$$B \setminus A = \{x \in B \mid x \notin A\}.$$

For our case B and A places are changed:

$$(B) A \setminus B = \{x: x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$$

Answer: (B) $A \setminus B = \{x: x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$