

Exercises

- 3.277 [05R] Let X be a non-empty set, and $A \subseteq X$. We will denote with $A^c = X \setminus A = \{x \in X : x \notin A\}$ the complement of A in X . We define the characteristic function $\mathbb{1}_A : X \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ by

$$\mathbb{1}_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin A \end{cases}.$$

Prove that

$$\mathbb{1}_{A^c} = 1 - \mathbb{1}_A, \quad \mathbb{1}_{A \cap B} = \mathbb{1}_A \mathbb{1}_B, \quad \mathbb{1}_{A \cup B} = \mathbb{1}_A + \mathbb{1}_B - \mathbb{1}_A \mathbb{1}_B$$