

# Lecture 1 - Homework

**Question 1.** Come up with three sets and write them down.

**Question 2.** Simply the following sets as much as possible.

- (a)  $\{3, 2, 1, 1, 2, 3\}$
- (b)  $\{A, B, B, C, D, D\}$
- (c)  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

**Question 3.** Write down **three** equivalent representations of the set  $S = \{1, 2, 3\}$ . (**Hint:** Remark 1.1)

**Question 4.** What are dots (...) used for in sets?

**Question 5.** Let  $S = \{4, 5, 6, \triangle\}$ . Which of the following choices are **True**?

- (a)  $5 \in S$
- (b)  $\circ \notin S$
- (c)  $\triangle \notin S$
- (d)  $(4 + 6) \in S$

**Question 6.** Is  $\sqrt{2} \in \mathbb{Q}$ ? Explain your answer.

**Question 7.** Why do you think the empty set ( $\emptyset$ ) might be important in set theory?

**Question 8.** Describe the following sets symbolically.

- (a) All integers that are greater than or equal to  $-2$ .
- (b) All rational numbers that are not zero.
- (c) All the real numbers that are greater than or equal to  $-2$  and less than  $6$ .

**Question 9.** Write down the elements of the following sets.

- (a)  $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \leq -5\}$
- (b)  $B = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 1 < x \leq 6\}$
- (c)  $T = \{y \in \mathbb{Z} \mid y^2 = 4\}$

**Question 10.** In mathematics, when we add two sets we basically merge all elements into a **single** set. Therefore, determine the following sum,

$$\{3, 4, 5\} + \{3, 6, 8\}.$$

**Question 11. (Challenge)** Describe the set of all odd integers symbolically.