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# HW 1: Sets, Vocabulary, and Measuring

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## Set Theory Problems

*Short-answer problems.*

**Problem 1** Given two sets  $X$  and  $Y$ ,  $X \cup Y$  is the set of elements that are

**Multiple Choice:**

- (a) in  $X$  or in  $Y$  (but not in both).
  - (b) in  $X$  or in  $Y$  (or both, as the “or” is inclusive).
  - (c) in  $X$  and in  $Y$ .
  - (d) in  $X$  but not in  $Y$ .
  - (e) in  $Y$  but not in  $X$ .
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**Problem 2** Given two sets  $X$  and  $Y$ ,  $X \cap Y$  is the set of elements that are

**Multiple Choice:**

- (a) in  $X$  or in  $Y$  (but not in both).
  - (b) in  $X$  or in  $Y$  (or both, as the “or” is inclusive).
  - (c) in  $X$  and in  $Y$ .
  - (d) in  $X$  but not in  $Y$ .
  - (e) in  $Y$  but not in  $X$ .
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**Problem 3** Given two sets  $X$  and  $Y$ ,  $X - Y$  is the set of elements that are

**Multiple Choice:**

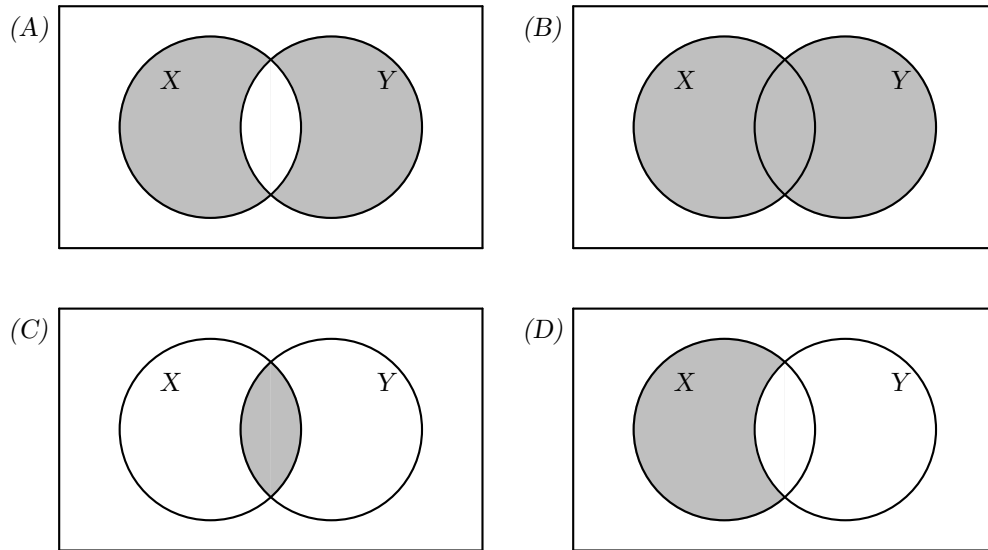
- (a) in  $X$  or in  $Y$  (but not in both).
- (b) in  $X$  or in  $Y$  (or both, as the “or” is inclusive).

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- (c) in  $X$  and in  $Y$ .
- (d) in  $X$  but not in  $Y$ .
- (e) in  $Y$  but not in  $X$ .

**Problem 4** Consider the following Venn diagrams:

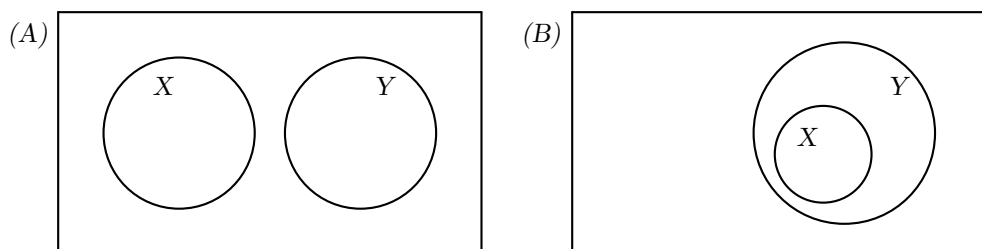


For each set expression below, identify the Venn diagram above in which the corresponding region is shaded:

- (a)  $X \cap Y$  is figure
- (b)  $X \cup Y$  is figure .
- (c)  $X - Y$  is figure

**Problem 5** Draw a Venn diagram for the set of elements that are in  $X$  or  $Y$  but not both. How does it differ from the Venn diagram for  $X \cup Y$ ?

**Problem 6** Consider the following Venn diagrams:



- (a) If Venn diagram (A) above shows the relationship between sets  $X$  and  $Y$ , then  $X \cap Y = (\emptyset / \emptyset / X \cup Y)$  and the sets are said to be (disjoint / empty / subsets).
- (b) If Venn diagram (B) above shows the relationship between sets  $X$  and  $Y$ , then we say that ( $X$  and  $Y$  are disjoint /  $X \subseteq Y$  /  $Y \subseteq X$ ).
- (c) If we let  $X$  be the set of “right triangles” and we let  $Y$  be the set of “equilateral triangles” which diagram above shows the relationship between these two sets?

**Multiple Choice:**

- (i) Diagram (A).  
 (ii) Diagram (B).  
 (iii) Neither of these.  
 (iv) Not enough information.

Explain your reasoning.

**Problem 7** If  $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  and  $Y = \{3, 4, 5, 6\}$  find the following: (List elements in ascending order, separated by commas, with no spaces.)

- (a)  $X \cup Y = \{\boxed{?}\}$   
 (b)  $X \cap Y = \{\boxed{?}\}$   
 (c)  $X - Y = \{\boxed{?}\}$   
 (d)  $Y - X = \{\boxed{?}\}$

**Problem 8** Let  $n\mathbb{Z}$  represent the integer multiples of  $n$ . So for example:

$$3\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -12, -9, -6, -3, 0, 3, 6, 9, 12, \dots\}$$

Compute the following (use capital  $Z$  for  $\mathbb{Z}$ ):

(a)  $3\mathbb{Z} \cap 4\mathbb{Z} = \boxed{?}$

(b)  $2\mathbb{Z} \cap 5\mathbb{Z} = \boxed{?}$

(c)  $3\mathbb{Z} \cap 6\mathbb{Z} = \boxed{?}$

(d)  $4\mathbb{Z} \cap 6\mathbb{Z} = \boxed{?}$

(e)  $4\mathbb{Z} \cap 10\mathbb{Z} = \boxed{?}$

**Problem 9** Make a general rule for intersecting sets of the form  $n\mathbb{Z}$  and  $m\mathbb{Z}$ . Explain why your rule works.

**Problem 10** If  $X \cup Y = X$ , what can we say about the relationship between the sets  $X$  and  $Y$ ? Explain your reasoning.

( $X \subseteq Y / X = Y / Y \subseteq X / X = \emptyset$ ) because every element of ( $X / Y$ ) must be in ( $X / Y$ ).

**Problem 11** If  $X \cap Y = X$ , what can we say about the relationship between the sets  $X$  and  $Y$ ? Explain your reasoning.

( $X \subseteq Y / X = Y / Y \subseteq X / X = \emptyset$ ) because every element of ( $X / Y$ ) must be in ( $X / Y$ ).

**Problem 12** If  $X - Y = \emptyset$ , what can we say about the relationship between the sets  $X$  and  $Y$ ? Explain your reasoning.

( $X \subseteq Y / X = Y / Y \subseteq X / X = \emptyset$ ) because every element of ( $X / Y$ ) must be in ( $X / Y$ ).

# Extra Set Theory Problems

More short-answer problems.

## Reminders

- Sets are collections of objects such as numbers or points. The objects are called *elements* of the set, and the order elements are listed is not important.
- The notation  $\{7, 3\}$  means “The set containing 7 and 3.”
- Note that  $\{8\}$  is not the same as the number 8 but rather is a set that contains one element that happens to be a number.
- The set containing zero elements, sometimes call the *empty set* is denoted  $\{\}$  or  $\emptyset$ .
- The elements of a set can themselves be sets.

**Problem 13** Indicate the number of elements in each set:

- (a) The set  $\{3, 5, 6, 9, 10\}$  has  element(s).
- (b) The set  $\{\{3, 2, 7\}, \{4, 5\}, \{2\}, \emptyset\}$  has  element(s).
- (c) The set  $\{\{\}\}$  has  element(s).
- (d) The set  $\{\}$  has  element(s).
- (e) The set  $\emptyset$  has  element(s).
- (f) The set  $\{\emptyset\}$  has  element(s).

**Problem 14** Indicate whether each statement is true or false:

- (a)  $2 \in \{3, 2, 5\}$ . (True/ False)
- (b)  $2 \subseteq \{3, 2, 5\}$ . (True/ False)
- (c)  $\{2\} \in \{3, 2, 5\}$ . (True/ False)

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- (d)  $\{2\} \subseteq \{3, 2, 5\}$ . (True/ False)
- (e)  $\emptyset = \{\}$ . (True/ False)
- (f)  $\emptyset = \{\emptyset\}$ . (True/ False)
- (g)  $\{\emptyset\} = \{\{\}\}$ . (True/ False)
- (h)  $\emptyset \in \{\emptyset\}$ . (True/ False)
- (i)  $\emptyset \subseteq \{\emptyset\}$ . (True/ False)
- (j)  $2 \in \{\{3, 2, 7\}, \{4, 5\}, \{2\}, \emptyset\}$ . (True/ False)
- (k)  $2 \subseteq \{\{3, 2, 7\}, \{4, 5\}, \{2\}, \emptyset\}$ . (True/ False)
- (l)  $\{2\} \in \{\{3, 2, 7\}, \{4, 5\}, \{2\}, \emptyset\}$ . (True/ False)
- (m)  $\{2\} \subseteq \{\{3, 2, 7\}, \{4, 5\}, \{2\}, \emptyset\}$ . (True/ False)
- (n)  $\{\{2\}\} \in \{\{3, 2, 7\}, \{4, 5\}, \{2\}, \emptyset\}$ . (True/ False)
- (o)  $\{\{2\}\} \subseteq \{\{3, 2, 7\}, \{4, 5\}, \{2\}, \emptyset\}$ . (True/ False)

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**Problem 15** Explain the difference between the symbols  $\in$  and  $\subseteq$ .

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**Problem 16** How is  $\{\emptyset\}$  different from  $\emptyset$ ?

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# Vocabulary and Notation

Short-answer questions.

**Question 17** An *equilateral quadrilateral* is called a .

**Question 18** An *equiangular quadrilateral* is called a .

**Question 19** An *regular quadrilateral* is called a . (Note: A *regular polygon* is both equilateral and equiangular.)

**Question 20** If  $A$  and  $B$  are points, then

- (a)  $\overleftrightarrow{AB}$  denotes a ,
- (b)  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  denotes a  with endpoint ,
- (c)  $\overline{AB}$  denotes a , and
- (d)  $AB$  denotes the  of  $\overline{AB}$  or (equivalently) the  from  $A$  to  $B$ .

**Question 21** As a set of points, an *angle* is the  of two  with a common , which is called the  of the angle.

**Question 22** When two lines intersect so that all four angles are congruent, the angles are said to be  and the lines are said to be .

**Question 23** A  measures  $180^\circ$ . (Hint: Answer with two words.)

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*Vocabulary and Notation*

**Question 24** *Two angles whose measures sum to  $180^\circ$  are said to be ?.*

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**Question 25** *Two angles whose measures sum to  $90^\circ$  are said to be ?.*

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## Triangle Area

*Short-answer measuring problems.*

**Problem 26** Carefully measure heights to compute the area of the triangle below in three ways.

Geogebra link: <https://tube.geogebra.org/m/mjscvuw3>

- (a) When  $AB$  is the base, the height is , so the area is .
  - (b) When  $BC$  is the base, the height is , so the area is .
  - (c) When  $CA$  is the base, the height is , so the area is .
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## Measuring by Sight

*Short-answer measuring problems.*

### Instructions

Adjust the figures to fit the given conditions within **eyeball accuracy**. Enter the requested measurements.

**Problem 27** Geogebra link: <https://tube.geogebra.org/m/gjf28er6>

In figure above, when point  $C$  is adjusted so that  $\overline{BC}$  is perpendicular to  $\overline{AC}$ ,  $AC = \boxed{?}$ .

**Problem 28** Geogebra link: <https://tube.geogebra.org/m/a888zyw2>

In  $\triangle ABC$  above, the height to base  $\overline{AC}$  is  $\boxed{?}$ .

**Problem 29** Geogebra link: <https://tube.geogebra.org/m/cta9hbuf>

In  $\triangle ABC$  above, the height to base  $\overline{AC}$  is  $\boxed{?}$ .