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Tutorial Sheet 1 - 2020/2021 - Introduction to the Theory of Sets

1. Given that $U = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$, $X = \{\text{Even numbers in } U\}$, $Y = \{\text{Prime numbers in } U\}$ and $Z = \{-2, 3, 5, 6\}$, perform the following operations
 - (i) XUY
 - (ii) $(X \cap Y)^c$
 - (iii) $X \cap (Y \setminus Z)$
 - (iv) The cardinality of $X \cup Y$
2. Let $X = [0, 10]$ be the universal set and $A = [1, 4]$, $B = (2, 8)$, $C = [3, 6]$ be the subsets of X . Find each of the following and display them on the real line.
 - (i) B^c ,
 - (ii) $A \cap B$
 - (iii) $(A \cap B)^c$
 - (iv) $A \cap (B \setminus C)$
 - (v) $(X \setminus A) \cup (A \setminus B)$
3. Let \mathbb{R} be the universal set and $D = (-7, 4]$, $E = (0, 8)$, $F = \{x : x \leq 10, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ be the subsets of X .
 - (i) Find the set $E \setminus F$ and display it on the real line.
 - (ii) Using the sets above, verify that $D^c \cap E^c = (D \cup E)^c$
4. (i) For each of the following sets state whether it is finite or infinite and in each case justify your answer.
$$A = \{0, 1\} \cap \mathbb{R} \quad B = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x^2 < 4\} \quad C = [0, 1] \cap \left(\frac{4}{3}, \frac{3}{2}\right) \quad D = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x^2 = 4, x \text{ is old}\}$$
 - (ii) Which of the sets listed below are equal to other on the list?
$$A = [1, 2] \cap (2, 3) \quad B = [1, 2] \cap [2, 3] \quad C = \{1, 2\} \cap \{2, 3\} \quad D = \{1, 3\} \cap [2, 3]$$
Justify your answer.
5. (a) Let $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : x > 5\}$, $B = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : x < 9\}$ and $C = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : 5 \leq x \leq 7\}$. Find
 - (i) $A \cap B$
 - (ii) $B \cup C$
 - (iii) $(A \cup C)^c$
 - (iv) $(A^c \cup B)^c$
 - (v) $n[P(C)]$(b) Let $X = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 3 < x < 6\}$, $Y = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 5 \leq x \leq 7\}$ and $Z = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$. Find
 - (i) $X \cup Y$
 - (ii) $X^c \cap Z$
 - (iii) $(X \cap Y) \cup Z$
 - (iv) $X \cap (Y \cap Z)$.
6. (a) Given that X and Y are disjoint sets, simplify $X^c \cup Y^c$.
(b) Given that P and Q are any two sets, express the following in its simplest form:
 - (i) $P^c \cap (P \cup Q)^c$
 - (ii) $(P \cap Q) \cup (P \cap Q^c)$
 - (iii) $[P^c \cap Q^c]^c$
 - (v) $[(P \cap Q) \cup (P \setminus Q)]^c$
 - (vi) $(P \cap Q) \cup (P \cap Q^c)$
 - (vii) $(P \cap Q) \cup (P \cap Q^c) \cup (P^c \cap Q)$
7. Express each of the following in the form $\frac{x}{y}$, where x and y are integers and $y \neq 0$:
 - (i) $0.1666\dots$
 - (ii) $0.\overline{24}$
 - (iii) $0.016\overline{7}$
 - (iv) $2.99999\dots$
 - (iv) $1.34\overline{355}$
8. Prove that the following are irrational numbers:
 - (i) $\sqrt{3}$
 - (ii) $1 + \sqrt{2}$
 - (iii) $\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$
 - (iv) $\frac{1}{1+\sqrt{2}}$
9. The operation $*$ on the set of real numbers \mathbb{R} is defined by $a * b = a^2 + b^2 - 2$ where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.
 - (i) Is $*$ a binary operation on \mathbb{R} ?
 - (ii) Determine whether $*$ is commutative
 - (iii) Determine whether $*$ is associative
 - (iv) Evaluate $(3 * 2) * 5$