

# Chapter 2 - Sets and Venn Diagrams

## 2.1 - Number Sets

### Definition 2.1.1 (Set)

- A **set** is a collection of objects.

### Example 2.1.2

- The set of vowels:  $V = \{a, e, i, o, u\}$
- The set of all positive integers:  $\mathbb{Z}^+ = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$
- The set of all positive even integers:  $E = \{2, 4, 6, 8, \dots\}$

**Question:** Can you think of a set that contains only one element?

### Definition 2.1.3 (Element)

- The objects in a set are called **elements** or **members** of the set.

In mathematics, we use  $\in$  to denote that an element is in a set, and  $\notin$  to denote that an element is not in a set.

### Example 2.1.4

Let  $V = \{a, e, i, o, u\}$  be the set of vowels.

- $a \in V$
- $b \notin V$

Let  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  be the set of all positive integers.

- $1 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$
- $-1 \notin \mathbb{Z}^+$

Let  $E = \{2, 4, 6, 8, \dots\}$  be the set of all positive even integers.

- $2 \in E$

- $3 \notin E$

## Definition 2.1.5 (Empty Set)

- The set that contains no elements is called the **empty set**.

We use  $\emptyset$  or  $\{\}$  to denote the empty set.

## Exercise 2.1.6

- Is 1 an element of the empty set?
- Is anything an element of the empty set?

## Definition 2.1.7 (Cardinality)

- The **cardinality** of a set is the number of elements in the set.

We use  $|S|$  or  $n(S)$  to denote the cardinality of a set  $S$ .

## Example 2.1.8

Let  $V = \{a, e, i, o, u\}$  be the set of vowels.

- $|V| = 5$
- $n(V) = 5$
- The cardinality of the set of vowels is 5.

We say that  $V$  is a **finite set**.

Let  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  be the set of all positive integers.

- $|\mathbb{Z}^+| = \infty$
- $n(\mathbb{Z}^+) = \infty$
- The cardinality of the set of all positive integers is infinity.

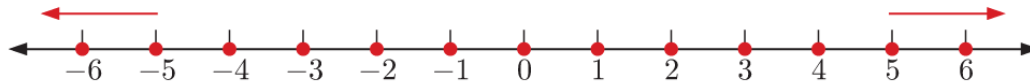
We say that  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  is an **infinite set**.

## Example 2.1.9 (Special Sets)

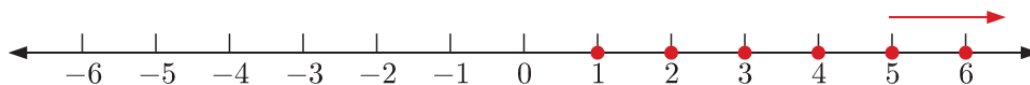
- $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, \dots\}$  is the set of all **natural** or **counting numbers**.



- $\mathbb{Z} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \dots\}$  is the set of all **integers**.



- $\mathbb{Z}^+ = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, \dots\}$  is the set of all **positive integers**.



- $\mathbb{Q}$  is the set of all **rational numbers**, or numbers which can be written in the form  $\frac{p}{q}$  where  $p$  and  $q$  are integers,  $q \neq 0$ .

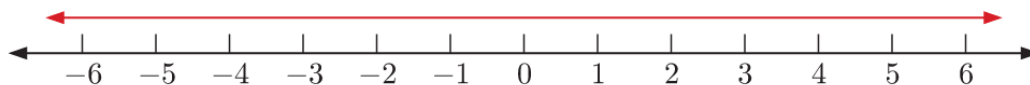
For example:  $\frac{15}{4}$ ,  $10 (= \frac{10}{1})$ ,  $0.5 (= \frac{1}{2})$ , and  $-\frac{3}{8}$  are all rational numbers.

We cannot represent the rational numbers on a number line, because there are infinitely many of them, and in between them are **irrational numbers** which cannot be written in rational form.

For example:

- ▶ Radicals or surds such as  $\sqrt{2}$  and  $\sqrt{7}$  are irrational.
- ▶  $\pi \approx 3.141\,592\,65$  is an irrational number.
- ▶ Decimal numbers which neither terminate nor recur are irrational.

- $\mathbb{R}$  is the set of all **real numbers**, which are all numbers which can be placed on the number line.



$\mathbb{R}$  includes all rational and irrational numbers.

$\frac{2}{0}$  and  $\sqrt{-2}$  are not real numbers because we cannot write them in decimal form or place them on a number line.

## Exercise 2.1.10

### EXERCISE 2A

- 1 Write using set notation:
  - a 8 is an element of set  $P$ .
  - b  $k$  is not an element of set  $S$ .
  - c 14 is not an element of the set of all odd numbers.
  - d There are 9 elements in set  $Y$ .
- 2 True or false?
  - a  $3 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$
  - b  $6 \in \mathbb{Z}$
  - c  $\frac{3}{4} \in \mathbb{Q}$
  - d  $\sqrt{2} \notin \mathbb{Q}$
  - e  $-\frac{1}{4} \notin \mathbb{Q}$
  - f  $2\frac{1}{3} \in \mathbb{Z}$
  - g  $0.3684 \in \mathbb{R}$
  - h  $\frac{1}{0.1} \in \mathbb{Z}$
- 3 Determine whether each of the following numbers is rational, irrational, or neither:
  - a 8
  - b  $-8$
  - c  $2\frac{1}{3}$
  - d  $-3\frac{1}{4}$
  - e  $\sqrt{3}$
  - f  $\sqrt{-3}$
  - g  $\sqrt{400}$
  - h 9.176
  - i  $\frac{1}{0}$
  - j  $\pi - \pi$
- 4 For each of the following sets:
  - i list the elements of the set
  - ii determine whether the set is finite or infinite
  - iii if the set is finite, find the number of elements in the set.
  - a  $A = \{\text{factors of } 6\}$
  - b  $B = \{\text{multiples of } 6\}$
  - c  $C = \{\text{factors of } 17\}$
  - d  $D = \{\text{multiples of } 17\}$
  - e  $E = \{\text{prime numbers less than } 20\}$
  - f  $F = \{\text{composite numbers between } 10 \text{ and } 30\}$
- 5 Show that each of the following numbers is rational:
  - a  $0.\overline{7}$
  - b  $0.\overline{41}$
  - c  $0.\overline{324}$
- 6 Explain why 0.527 is a rational number.
- 7 Explain why  $0.\overline{9} \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- 8 Give examples to show that these statements are false:
  - a The sum of two irrationals is irrational.
  - b The product of two irrationals is irrational.

## 2.2 - Interval Notation

### Definition 2.2.1 (Interval)

An **interval** is a set of real numbers with the property that any number that lies between two numbers in the set is also included in the set.

- **Open Interval:**  $(a, b) = \{x | a < x < b, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- **Closed Interval:**  $[a, b] = \{x | a \leq x \leq b, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- **Half-Open Interval:**  $[a, b) = \{x | a \leq x < b, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- **Half-Open Interval:**  $(a, b] = \{x | a < x \leq b, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$

where  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} | a < x < b\}$  is read as "the set of all  $x$  in the real numbers such that  $a < x < b$ ".

### Example 2.2.2

There can also be intervals where  $x$  is a integer, or a natural number, or a rational number, etc.

- $\{x | a \leq x \leq b, x \in \mathbb{N}\}$
- $\{x | a \leq x \leq b, x \in \mathbb{Q}\}$

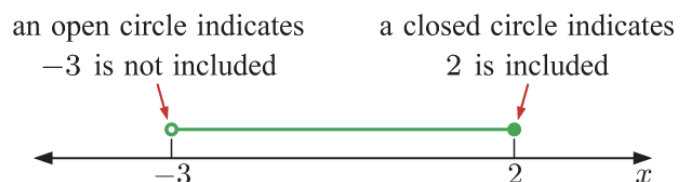
However, there are no simple notations for these intervals.

For example:

- $\{x | -3 < x \leq 2, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$

reads "the set of all real  $x$  such that  $x$  lies between minus 3 and 2, including 2".

We can represent the set on a number line as:



Unless stated otherwise, we *assume* we are dealing with *real* numbers. Thus, the set can also be written as  $\{x | -3 < x \leq 2\}$ .

- $\{x | -5 < x < 5, x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

reads "the set of all integers  $x$  such that  $x$  lies between minus 5 and 5".

We can represent the set on a number line as:



## Exercise 2.2.3

### Example 2

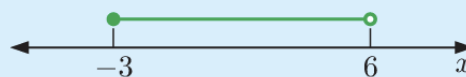


Write using interval notation:

**a**



**b**



**a**  $\{x \mid 1 \leq x \leq 5, x \in \mathbb{N}\}$   
or  $\{x \mid 1 \leq x \leq 5, x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

**b**  $\{x \mid -3 \leq x < 6\}$

## EXERCISE 2B

**1** Explain the meaning of:

**a**  $\{x \mid x > 4\}$

**b**  $\{x \mid x \leq 5, x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

**c**  $\{y \mid 0 < y < 8\}$

**d**  $\{x \mid 1 \leq x \leq 4, x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

**e**  $\{t \mid 2 < t < 7, t \in \mathbb{R}\}$

**f**  $\{n \mid n \leq 3 \text{ or } n > 6\}$

**2** Write using interval notation:

**a**



**b**



**c**



**d**



**e**



**f**



**3** Represent each of the following number sets on a number line:

**a**  $\{x \mid 4 \leq x < 8, x \in \mathbb{N}\}$

**b**  $\{x \mid -5 < x \leq 4, x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

**c**  $\{x \mid -3 < x \leq 5, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$

**d**  $\{x \mid x > -5, x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

**e**  $\{x \mid x \leq 6\}$

**f**  $\{x \mid -5 \leq x \leq 0\}$

**4** Write in interval notation:

**a** the set of all real numbers greater than 7

**b** the set of all integers between  $-8$  and  $15$

**c** the set of all rational numbers between  $4$  and  $6$ , including  $4$ .

## 2.3 - Subsets and Complements

### Definition 2.3.1 (Subset)

- A set  $A$  is a **subset** of a set  $B$  if every element of  $A$  is also an element of  $B$ .
- We use  $A \subseteq B$  to denote that  $A$  is a subset of  $B$ .
- If not every element of  $A$  is an element of  $B$ , then  $A$  is not a subset of  $B$ , denoted by  $A \not\subseteq B$ .

### Example 2.3.2

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ , and  $C = \{2, 4, 6\}$ .

- $A \subseteq B$
- $C \not\subseteq B$
- $B \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^+$
- $B \subseteq B$

### Exercise 2.3.3

- 1 For each of the following sets  $A$  and  $B$ , decide whether  $A \subseteq B$ :
  - a  $A = \{2, 5, 6\}$ ,  $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$
  - b  $A = \{4, 8, 11, 12\}$ ,  $B = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16\}$
  - c  $A = \emptyset$ ,  $B = \{1, 4, 7, 10\}$
  - d  $A = \{5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30\}$ ,  $B = \{10, 15, 20\}$
  - e  $A = \{6, 7, 8\}$ ,  $B = \mathbb{N}$

### Definition 2.3.4 (Complement)

Let  $U$  denote the **universal set**, which usually refers to the set of all elements under consideration.

- The **complement** of a set  $A$  is the set of all elements in  $U$  that are not in  $A$ .
- We use  $A'$  to denote the complement of  $A$ , hence

$$A' = \{x \mid x \notin A, x \in U\}$$

## Example 2.3.5

Let  $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ ,  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ , and  $B = \{2, 4, 6\}$ .

- $A' = \{4, 5, 6\}$
- $B' = \{1, 3, 5\}$

## Exercise 2.3.5

5 Suppose  $U = \{x \mid x \leq 9, x \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ . Find the complement of:

a  $A = \{2, 5, 6\}$

b  $B = \{\text{prime numbers in } U\}$

c  $C = \{\text{odd numbers in } U\}$

d  $D = \{\text{multiples of 4 in } U\}$

e  $E = \emptyset$

f  $F = \{x \mid x < 3, x \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ .

6 Suppose  $U = \{\text{letters of the English alphabet}\}$ . Find the complement of:

a  $P = \{C, F, J, M, P, U, Y, Z\}$

b  $Q = \{\text{consonants}\}$

c  $R = \{\text{letters in the word HOSPITAL}\}$

d  $S = \{\text{letters after J in the alphabet}\}$ .

## 2.4 - Venn Diagrams

### Definition 2.4.1 (Venn Diagram)

A **Venn diagram** is a diagram that uses circles to represent sets and their relationships.

It consists of a rectangle that represents the universal set  $U$  and circles that represent sets that are subsets of  $U$ .



## Example 2.4.2

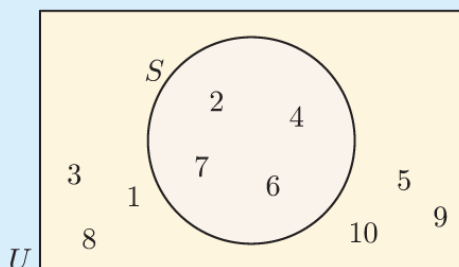
### Example 5

### Self Tutor

Consider the set  $S = \{2, 4, 6, 7\}$  within the universal set  $U = \{x \mid x \leq 10, x \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ .

- a Draw a Venn diagram to show  $S$ .
- b List the elements of the complement set  $S'$ .
- c Find:
  - i  $n(S)$
  - ii  $n(S')$
  - iii  $n(U)$

a



b  $S' = \{1, 3, 5, 8, 9, 10\}$

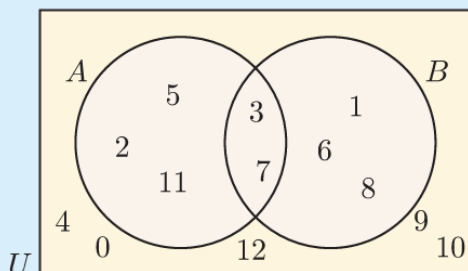
- c
  - i  $n(S) = 4$
  - ii  $n(S') = 6$
  - iii  $n(U) = 10$

### Example 7

### Self Tutor

Consider  $U = \{x \mid 0 \leq x \leq 12, x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ ,  $A = \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11\}$ , and  $B = \{1, 3, 6, 7, 8\}$ .

Illustrate  $A$  and  $B$  on a Venn diagram.



3 and 7 are in both  $A$  and  $B$ , so the circles representing  $A$  and  $B$  must overlap.

We place 3 and 7 in the overlap, then fill in the rest of  $A$  and the rest of  $B$ .

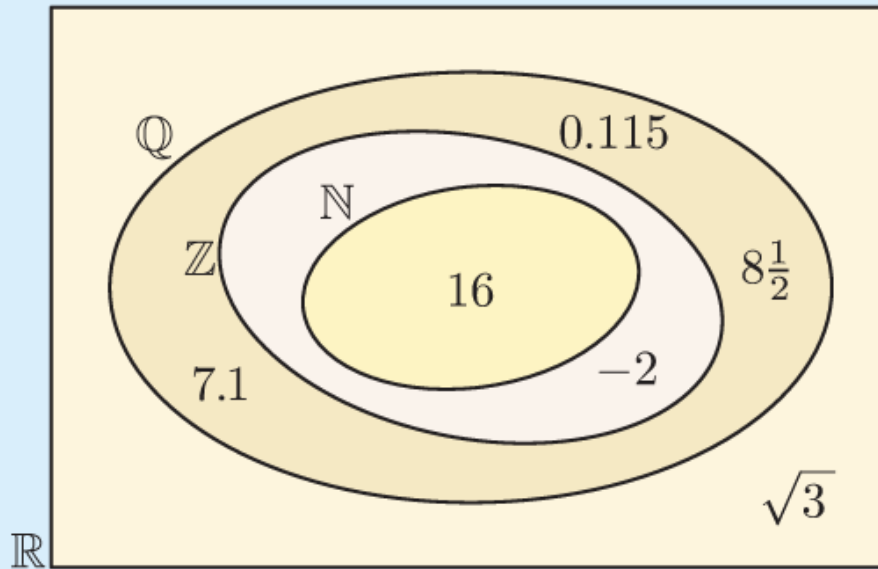
The remaining elements of  $U$  are placed outside the two circles.

## Example 6

## Self Tutor

Illustrate the following numbers on a Venn diagram:

$\sqrt{3}$ ,  $8\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $-2$ ,  $7.1$ ,  $16$ ,  $0.115$



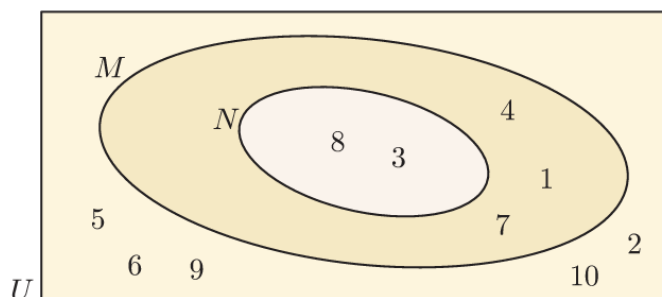
### Exercise 2.4.3

- 1 Suppose  $U = \{x \mid x \leq 8, x \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$  and  $A = \{\text{prime numbers} \leq 8\}$ .
- a** Show set  $A$  on a Venn diagram. **b** List the set  $A'$ .
- c** Find: **i**  $n(A)$  **ii**  $n(A')$  **iii**  $n(U)$

- 2 Suppose  $U = \{\text{letters of the English alphabet}\}$  and  
 $V = \{\text{letters of the English alphabet which are vowels}\}.$

- a Show these sets on a Venn diagram.      b List the set  $V'$ .  
 c Find:      i  $n(V)$       ii  $n(V')$       iii  $n(U)$

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- a List the elements of:  
     i  $U$       ii  $N$       iii  $M$   
 b Find  $n(N)$  and  $n(M)$ .  
 c Is  $M \subseteq N$ ?

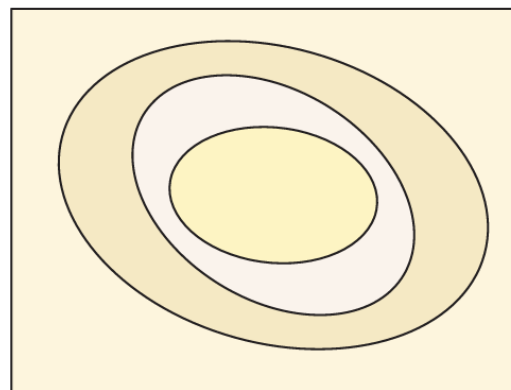
- 4 Illustrate  $A$  and  $B$  on a Venn diagram if:

- a  $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ ,  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ,  $B = \{3, 4, 5, 6\}$   
 b  $U = \{4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ ,  $A = \{6, 7, 9, 10\}$ ,  $B = \{5, 6, 8, 9\}$   
 c  $U = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ ,  $A = \{3, 5, 7, 9\}$ ,  $B = \{4, 6, 8\}$

- 5 Suppose the universal set is  $U = \mathbb{R}$ , the set of all real numbers.

$\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}$ , and  $\mathbb{N}$  are all subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- a Copy the given Venn diagram and label the sets  $U$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}$ , and  $\mathbb{N}$ .  
 b Place these numbers on the Venn diagram:  
 $\frac{2}{3}$ ,  $\sqrt{7}$ ,  $0.\overline{4}$ ,  $-1$ ,  $-8\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $0$ ,  $4$ , and  
 $\alpha = 0.564\,105\,923\,6\dots$  which does not terminate or recur.  
 c Shade the region representing the set of irrationals  $\mathbb{Q}'$ .

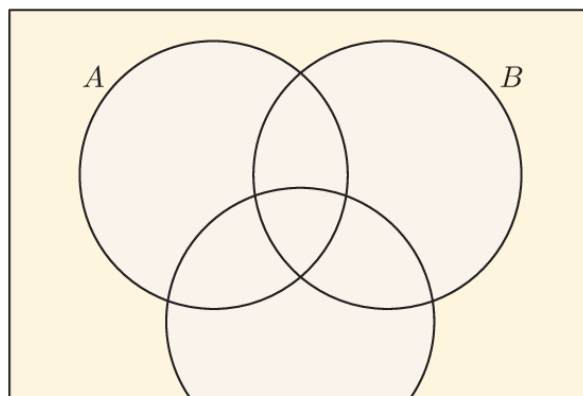


- 6 Show the following information on a Venn diagram:

- a  $U = \{\text{triangles}\}$ ,  $E = \{\text{equilateral triangles}\}$ ,  $I = \{\text{isosceles triangles}\}$   
 b  $U = \{\text{quadrilaterals}\}$ ,  $P = \{\text{parallelograms}\}$ ,  $R = \{\text{rectangles}\}$

- 7 Suppose  $U = \{x \mid x \leq 30, x \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ ,  
 $A = \{\text{prime numbers} \leq 30\}$ ,  
 $B = \{\text{multiples of } 5 \leq 30\}$ ,  
 and  $C = \{\text{odd numbers} \leq 30\}$ .

Use the Venn diagram shown to display the elements of the sets.





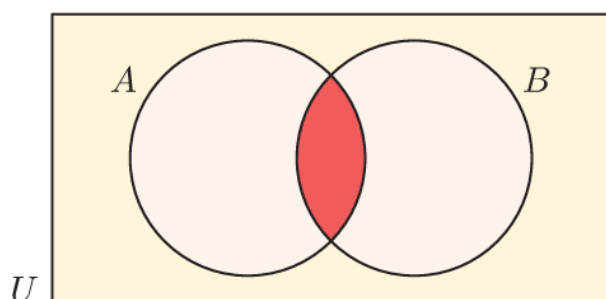
## 2.5 - Set Operations

### Definition 2.5.1 (Union)

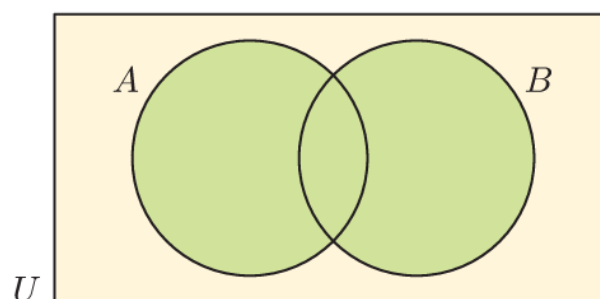
- The **union** of two sets  $A$  and  $B$  is the set of all elements that are in  $A$  or  $B$  or both.
- We use  $A \cup B$  to denote the union of  $A$  and  $B$ .

### Definition 2.5.2 (Intersection)

- The **intersection** of two sets  $A$  and  $B$  is the set of all elements that are in both  $A$  and  $B$ .
- We use  $A \cap B$  to denote the intersection of  $A$  and  $B$ .



$A \cap B$  is shaded red.



$A \cup B$  is shaded green.

#### Example 8

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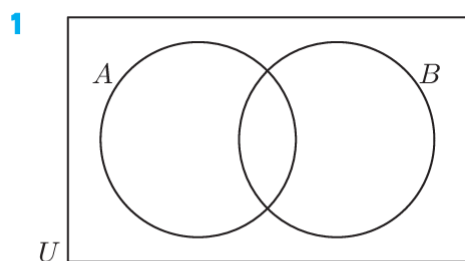
Suppose  $U = \{\text{positive integers} \leq 12\}$ ,  $A = \{\text{primes} \leq 12\}$ , and  $B = \{\text{factors of } 12\}$ .

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|----------|--|------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>a</b> | List the elements of the sets $A$ and $B$ .          |                        |                         |
| <b>b</b> | Show the sets $A$ , $B$ , and $U$ on a Venn diagram. |                        |                         |
| <b>c</b> | List the elements in:                                | <b>i</b> $A'$          | <b>ii</b> $A \cap B$    |
|          |  |                        | <b>iii</b> $A \cup B$   |
| <b>d</b> | Find:  | <b>i</b> $n(A \cap B)$ | <b>ii</b> $n(A \cup B)$ |
|          |  |                        | <b>iii</b> $n(B')$      |

### Definition 2.5.3 (Disjoint)

- Two sets  $A$  and  $B$  are **disjoint** or **mutually exclusive** if  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ .
- It means that  $A$  and  $B$  have no elements in common.

## EXERCISE 2E.2



On separate Venn diagrams, shade regions for:

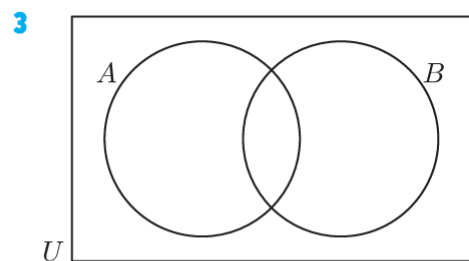
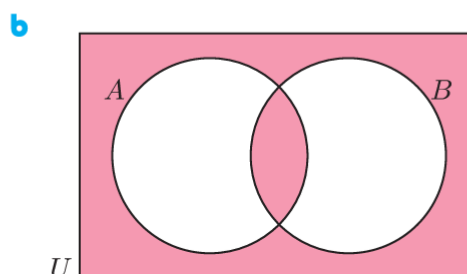
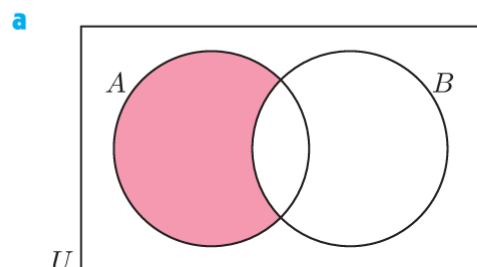
- a  $A \cap B$   
c  $A' \cup B$   
e  $A' \cap B$

- b  $A \cap B'$   
d  $A \cup B'$   
f  $A' \cap B'$

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2 Describe in words, the shaded region of:

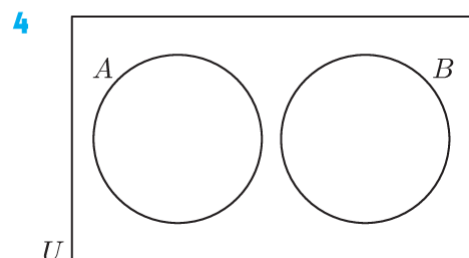


a On separate Venn diagrams, shade regions for:

- i  $A \cup B$       ii  $(A \cup B)'$       iii  $A' \cap B'$   
iv  $A \cap B'$       v  $(A \cap B)'$       vi  $A' \cup B'$   
vii  $(A' \cup B')'$

b Hence verify that:

- i  $(A \cap B)' = A' \cup B'$       ii  $(A \cup B)' = A' \cap B'$



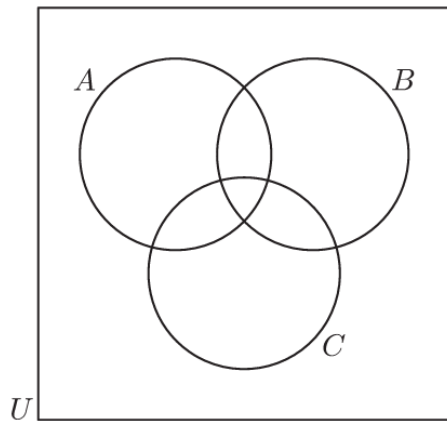
Suppose  $A$  and  $B$  are two disjoint sets. Shade on separate Venn diagrams:

- a  $A$       b  $B'$   
c  $A \cup B$       d  $A' \cap B$   
e  $(A \cap B)'$

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VENN DIAGRAMS  
(DISJOINT)



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This Venn diagram consists of three intersecting sets.

**a** Shade on separate Venn diagrams:

- |                                 |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| <b>i</b> $A$                    | <b>ii</b> $B'$                          |
| <b>iii</b> $B \cap C$           | <b>iv</b> $A \cup B$                    |
| <b>v</b> $A \cap B \cap C$      | <b>vi</b> $A \cup B \cup C$             |
| <b>vii</b> $(A \cap B \cap C)'$ | <b>viii</b> $(B \cap C) \cup A$         |
| <b>ix</b> $(A \cup B) \cap C$   | <b>x</b> $(A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)$   |
| <b>xi</b> $(A \cap B) \cup C$   | <b>xii</b> $(A \cup C) \cap (B \cup C)$ |

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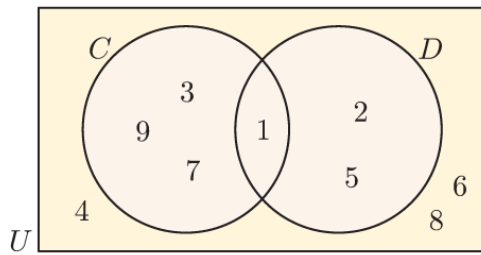


**b** Verify that:

- i**  $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$
- ii**  $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$

## EXERCISE 2E.1

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a List the elements of set:

i  $C$

ii  $D$

iii  $U$

iv  $C \cap D$

v  $C \cup D$

b Find:

i  $n(C)$

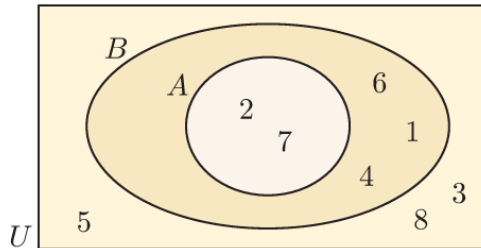
ii  $n(D)$

iii  $n(U)$

iv  $n(C \cap D)$

v  $n(C \cup D)$

2



a List the elements of set:

i  $A$

ii  $B$

iii  $U$

iv  $A \cap B$

v  $A \cup B$

b Find:

i  $n(A)$

ii  $n(B)$

iii  $n(U)$

iv  $n(A \cap B)$

v  $n(A \cup B)$

3 Consider  $U = \{x \mid x \leq 12, x \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ ,  $A = \{2, 7, 9, 10, 11\}$ , and  $B = \{1, 2, 9, 11, 12\}$ .

a Show these sets on a Venn diagram.

b List the elements of:

i  $A \cap B$

ii  $A \cup B$

iii  $B'$

c Find:

i  $n(A)$

ii  $n(B')$

iii  $n(A \cap B)$

iv  $n(A \cup B)$

4 If  $A$  is the set of all factors of 36 and  $B$  is the set of all factors of 63, find:

a  $A \cap B$

b  $A \cup B$

5 If  $X = \{A, B, D, M, N, P, R, T, Z\}$  and  $Y = \{B, C, M, T, W, Z\}$ , find:

a  $X \cap Y$

b  $X \cup Y$

6 Suppose  $U = \{x \mid x \leq 30, x \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ ,  $A = \{\text{factors of } 30\}$ , and  $B = \{\text{prime numbers } \leq 30\}$ .

a Find:

i  $n(A)$

ii  $n(B)$

iii  $n(A \cap B)$

iv  $n(A \cup B)$

b Show that  $n(A \cup B) = n(A) + n(B) - n(A \cap B)$ .

7 Simplify:

a  $X \cap Y$  for  $X = \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$  and  $Y = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$

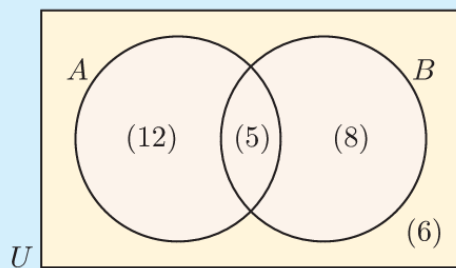
b  $A \cup A'$  for any set  $A \in U$ .

c  $A \cap A'$  for any set  $A \in U$ .

## 2.6 - Expressing Number of Elements in a Set using Venn Diagrams

Sometimes it is too difficult to count the number of elements in a set by listing them out.

In this case, we can just put the number of elements in the set in the corresponding region of the Venn diagram.

**Example 10****Self Tutor**

In the Venn diagram given, (5) means that there are 5 elements in the set  $A \cap B$ .

How many elements are there in:

- a**  $A$                       **b**  $B'$                       **c**  $A \cup B$   
**d**  $A$ , but not  $B$       **e**  $B$ , but not  $A$       **f** neither  $A$  nor  $B$ ?

**a**  $n(A) = 12 + 5 = 17$

**b**  $n(B') = 12 + 6 = 18$

**c**  $n(A \cup B) = 12 + 5 + 8 = 25$

**d**  $n(A, \text{ but not } B) = 12$

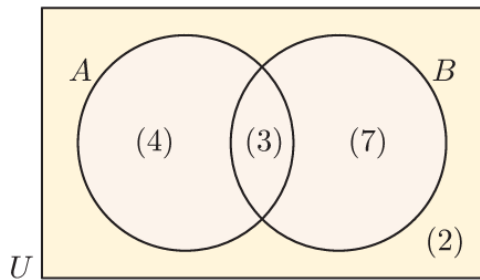
**e**  $n(B, \text{ but not } A) = 8$

**f**  $n(\text{neither } A \text{ nor } B) = 6$



## EXERCISE 2F

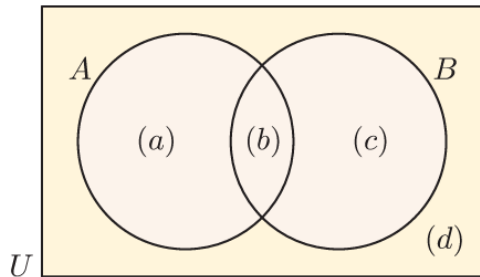
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How many elements are there in:

- a  $B$
- b  $A'$
- c  $A \cup B$
- d  $A$ , but not  $B$
- e  $B$ , but not  $A$
- f neither  $A$  nor  $B$ ?

2 In the Venn diagram below,  $(a)$  means that there are  $a$  elements in that region.



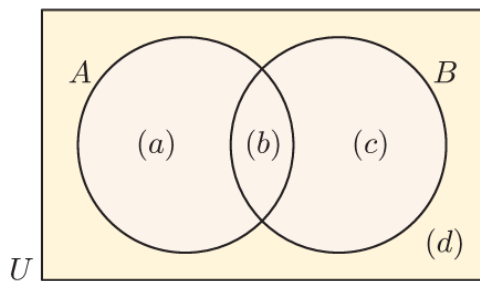
a Write an expression for:

- i  $n(A)$
- ii  $n(B)$
- iii  $n(A \cap B)$
- iv  $n(A \cup B)$

b Show that:

- i  $n(A \cup B) = n(A) + n(B) - n(A \cap B)$
- ii  $n(A \cap B) = n(A) + n(B) - n(A \cup B)$
- iii if  $A$  and  $B$  are disjoint, then  $n(A \cup B) = n(A) + n(B)$ .

3



Use the Venn diagram to show that:

- a  $n(A \cap B') = n(A) - n(A \cap B)$
- b  $n(A \cup B') = n(U) - n(A' \cap B)$

4 Given  $n(U) = 20$ ,  $n(A) = 12$ ,  $n(B) = 13$ , and  $n(A \cap B) = 8$ , find:

- a  $n(A \cup B)$
- b  $n(B, \text{ but not } A)$

5 Given  $n(U) = 28$ ,  $n(M) = 14$ ,  $n(M \cap N) = 3$ , and  $n(M \cup N) = 18$ , find:

- a  $n(N)$
- b  $n((M \cup N)')$

## 2.7 - Solving Set Problems using Venn Diagrams

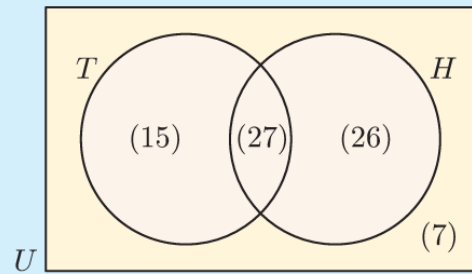
### Example 12



The Venn diagram alongside illustrates the number of people in a sporting club who play tennis ( $T$ ) and hockey ( $H$ ).

Determine the number of people:

- a** in the club
- b** who play hockey
- c** who play both sports
- d** who play neither sport
- e** who play at least one sport.



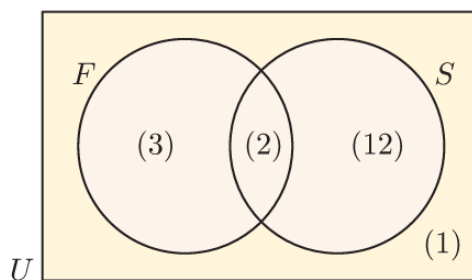
- a**  $n(U) = 15 + 27 + 26 + 7 = 75$   
There are 75 people in the club.
- b**  $n(H) = 27 + 26 = 53$   
53 people play hockey.
- c**  $n(T \cap H) = 27$   
27 people play both sports.
- d**  $n(T' \cap H') = 7$   
7 people play neither sport.
- e**  $n(T \cup H) = 15 + 27 + 26 = 68$   
68 people play at least one sport.

## EXERCISE 2G

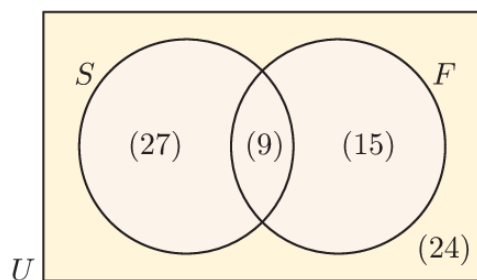
- 1 The Venn diagram alongside illustrates the number of students in a particular class who study French ( $F$ ) and Spanish ( $S$ ).

Determine the number of students:

- a in the class
- b who study both subjects
- c who study at least one of the subjects
- d who only study Spanish.



- 2 In a survey at a resort, people were asked whether they went sailing ( $S$ ) or fishing ( $F$ ) during their stay.



Use the Venn diagram to determine the number of people:

- a in the survey
- b who did both activities
- c who did neither activity
- d who did exactly one of the activities.

- 3** In a class of 30 students, 19 study Physics, 17 study Chemistry, and 15 study both subjects. Determine the number of students who study:
- a** at least one of the subjects
  - b** Physics, but not Chemistry
  - c** exactly one of the subjects
  - d** neither subject.
- 4** In a class of 40 students, 19 play tennis, 20 play netball, and 8 play neither sport. Determine the number of students in the class who:
- a** do not play netball
  - b** play at least one of the sports
  - c** play exactly one of the sports
  - d** play netball, but not tennis.
- 5** In a class of 25 students, 15 play hockey, 16 play basketball, and 4 play neither sport. Determine the number of students who play:
- a** both sports
  - b** hockey but not basketball.
- 6** In a class of 40 students, 34 like bananas, 22 like pineapples, and 2 dislike both fruits. Find the number of students who:
- a** like both fruits
  - b** like at least one fruit.
- 7** In a class of 40 students, 23 have dark hair, 18 have brown eyes, and 26 have dark hair, brown eyes or both. How many students have:
- a** dark hair and brown eyes
  - b** neither dark hair nor brown eyes
  - c** dark hair but not brown eyes?

# Review Exercises

## REVIEW SET 2A

1 Explain why 1.3 is a rational number.

2 Is  $\sqrt{4000} \in \mathbb{Q}$ ?

3 Let  $P$  be the set of all prime numbers between 20 and 40.

a Is  $37 \in P$ ?

b Find  $n(P)$ .

4 Write a statement describing the meaning of  $S = \{t \mid -1 \leq t < 3\}$ .

5 Write using interval notation:



6 For each of the following sets  $P$  and  $Q$ , decide whether  $P \subseteq Q$ :

a  $P = \{5, 6, 7, 8\}$ ,  $Q = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$

b  $P = \{\text{multiples of 4 between 10 and 30}\}$ ,  $Q = \{\text{even numbers between 0 and 40}\}$

7 Suppose  $U = \{x \mid x \leq 10, x \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ . Find the complement of:

a  $A = \{3, 7, 9\}$

b  $B = \{\text{composite numbers in } U\}$ .

8 Suppose  $U = \{x \mid x \leq 12, x \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$  and  $A = \{\text{multiples of } 3 \leq 12\}$ .

a Show  $A$  on a Venn diagram.

b List the set  $A'$ .

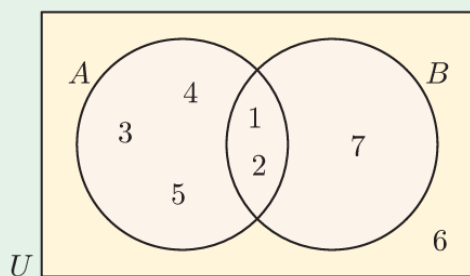
c Find  $n(A')$ .

9 True or false?

a  $\mathbb{N} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^+$

b  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$

10



a List the elements of set:

i  $A$

ii  $B$

iii  $U$

iv  $A \cup B$

v  $A \cap B$

b Find:

i  $n(A)$

ii  $n(B)$

iii  $n(A \cup B)$

11 Consider  $U = \{x \mid x \leq 10, x \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ ,  $P = \{2, 3, 5, 7\}$ , and  $Q = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$ .

a Show these sets on a Venn diagram.

b List the elements of: i  $P \cap Q$

ii  $P \cup Q$

iii  $Q'$

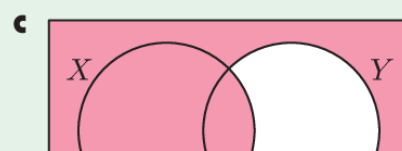
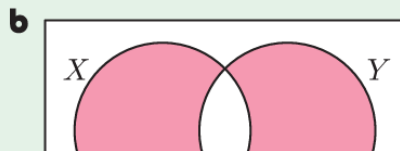
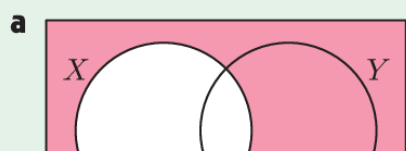
c Find: i  $n(P')$

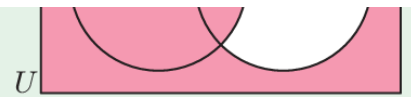
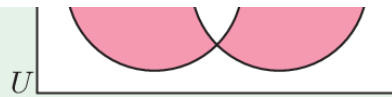
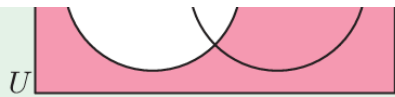
ii  $n(P \cap Q)$

iii  $n(P \cup Q)$

d Is  $P \cap Q \subseteq P$ ?

12 Describe in words the shaded region:





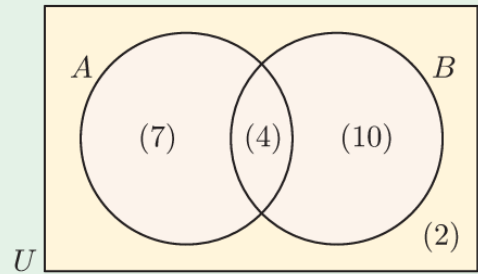
**13** How many elements are there in:

**a**  $A$

**b**  $B$

**c**  $A \cup B$

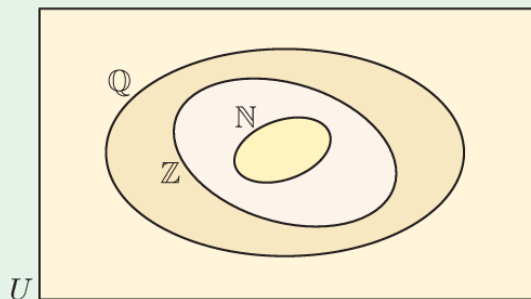
**d** neither  $A$  nor  $B$ ?



**14** 400 families were surveyed. It was found that 90% had a TV set, and 60% had a computer. Every family had at least one of these items. How many families had both a TV set and a computer?

## REVIEW SET 2B

- 1 Is  $-2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  ?
- 2 Show that  $0.\overline{51}$  is a rational number.
- 3 Sketch the number set  $\{x \mid x \leq 3 \text{ or } x > 7, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .
- 4 For each of the following sets:
  - i list the elements of the set
  - ii determine whether the set is finite or infinite
  - iii if the set is finite, find the number of elements in the set.
  - a  $A = \{\text{factors of } 15\}$
  - b  $B = \{\text{multiples of } 8\}$
  - c  $C = \{\text{odd numbers between } 30 \text{ and } 50\}$
  - d  $D = \{\text{prime numbers less than } 30\}$
- 5 Suppose  $P = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $Q = \{4, 9, 10\}$ , and  $R = \{5, 6, 12\}$ . Decide whether  $Q$  and  $R$  are subsets of  $P$ .
- 6 Suppose  $U = \{x \mid x \leq 12, x \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$  and  $A = \{\text{prime numbers less than } 12\}$ . Find:
  - a  $A$
  - b  $A'$
  - c  $n(A)$
  - d  $n(A')$
  - e  $n(U)$
- 7 Illustrate these numbers on a Venn diagram like the one shown:  
 $-1, \sqrt{2}, 2, 3.1, \pi, 4.\overline{2}$

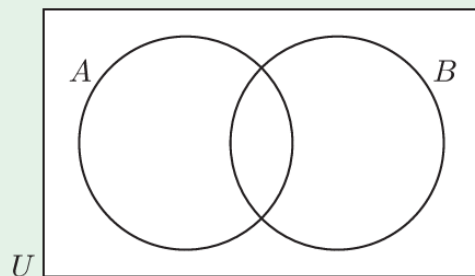


- 8 Show this information on a Venn diagram:
  - a  $U = \{10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15\}$ ,  $A = \{10, 12, 14\}$ ,  $B = \{11, 12, 13\}$
  - b  $U = \{\text{quadrilaterals}\}$ ,  $S = \{\text{squares}\}$ ,  $R = \{\text{rectangles}\}$
- 9 If  $A$  is the set of all factors of 24 and  $B$  is the set of all factors of 18, find:
  - a  $A \cap B$
  - b  $A \cup B$

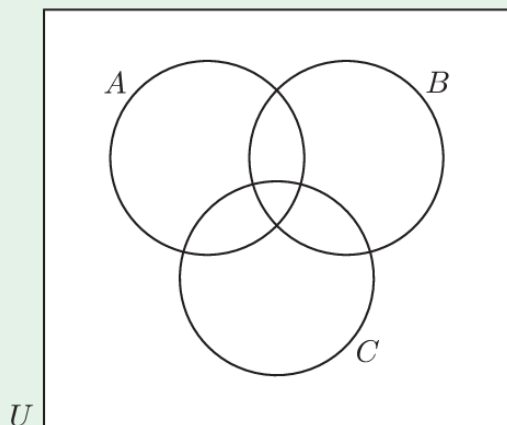


**10** On separate Venn diagrams like the one shown, shade the region representing:

- a**  $B'$                                       **b** in  $A$  and in  $B$   
**c**  $(A \cup B)'$



**11**



Using separate Venn diagrams like the one shown, shade regions to verify that  $(A \cap B) \cup C = (A \cup C) \cap (B \cup C)$ .

**12** Given  $n(U) = 30$ ,  $n(A) = 14$ ,  $n(B) = 10$ , and  $n(A \cap B) = 6$ , find:

- a**  $n(A \cup B)$                                       **b**  $n(B, \text{ but not } A)$

**13** In a certain town, three newspapers are published. 20% of the population read  $A$ , 16% read  $B$ , 14% read  $C$ , 8% read  $A$  and  $B$ , 5% read  $A$  and  $C$ , 4% read  $B$  and  $C$ , and 2% read all 3 newspapers. What percentage of the population read:

- a** none of the papers                                      **b** at least one of the papers  
**c** exactly one of the papers                                      **d** either  $A$  or  $B$   
**e**  $A$  only?