## Math 234

Set Theory

Discuss the following problems with the people at your table.

- 1. Consider the following sets:  $A = \{1, 3, 6, 10\}$  and  $B = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$ . Determine the following sets by writing their elements in set notation:
  - (a)  $A \cup B$
  - (b)  $A \cap B$
  - (c)  $B \cap A$
  - (d) A B
  - (e) B A
- 2. For each item below, copy the Venn diagram and shade the portion of the Venn diagram corresponding to the indicated set.



(a)  $A \cup B \cup C$ 

(b)  $A^c$ 

(c)  $A \cup B \cup C^c$ 

- (d)  $(A \cap B) C$
- (e)  $A^c \cap B^c \cap C^c$
- (f)  $(A \cup B \cup C)^c$

- 3. Let  $A = \{x \in \mathbf{R} \mid i < x < i + 1 \text{ for some integer } i\}.$ 
  - (a) Describe in words the set A.

(b) Describe in words the set  $A^c$ .

- 4. Consider the set  $A = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n \text{ is divisible by } 10\}$  and  $B = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n \text{ is divisible by } 20\}.$ 
  - (a) Prove that  $B \subseteq A$ .

(b) Prove that  $A \not\subseteq B$ .

- 5. Let  $C_i = \{-i, i\}$  for all nonnegative integers i.
  - (a) Are  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  disjoint? Are  $C_0, C_1, C_2, \ldots$  mutually disjoint?

(b) 
$$\bigcup_{i=0}^{4} C_i = ?$$
  
(c) 
$$\bigcap_{i=0}^{4} C_i = ?$$
  
(d) 
$$\bigcup_{i=0}^{n} C_i = ?$$

(e) 
$$\bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} C_i = ?$$

(f) Do the sets  $C_0, C_1, C_2, \ldots$  form a partition of **Z**?

## 6. Let $D = \{1, 4, 7\}$ and $E = \{1, 2\}$ .

- (a) Write out the Cartesian product  $D \times E$ .
- (b) Write out the power set  $\mathscr{P}(D)$ .
- (c) How many elements are in  $\mathscr{P}(D \times E)$ ?

7. If A is a set of n elements, how many elements are in  $\mathscr{P}(A)$ ? Explain your reasoning.

8. Given any two sets C and D, describe in words the set  $(C \cup D) - (C \cap D)$ .

Some examples for specific sets!

9. Bonus: Let  $D_i = \left[0, \frac{1}{i}\right] = \left\{x \in \mathbf{R} \mid 0 \le x \le \frac{1}{i}\right\}$  for all positive integers i.

(a) What is 
$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} D_i$$
?

(b) What is 
$$\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} D_i$$
?