

ECONOMICS 207
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LABORATORY EXERCISE 1
KEY

Problem 1. Consider the following six sets.

$$A = \{1, 2, 4\}$$

$$B = \{2, 3, 5\}$$

$$C = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$D = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$E = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$F = \{0, 1, 2, 4, 5, 7\}$$

$$U = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$$

a. A is a subset of which other sets?

A is a subset of A, C, F, U.

b. What is $A \cap B$?

$$A \cap B = \{2\}.$$

c. What is $C \cap F$?

$$C \cap F = \{1, 2, 4\}.$$

d. What is $A \cap B \cap C$?

$$A \cap B = \{2\},$$
$$A \cap B \cap C = \{2\}.$$

e. What is $A \cup (B \cap D)$?

$$B \cap D = \{2, 3, 5\},$$
$$A \cup (B \cap D) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}.$$

f. What is $(A \cup B) \cap D$?

$$A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\},$$
$$(A \cup B) \cap D = \{2, 3, 4, 5\}.$$

g. What is $(A \cup B) \cap (A \cup D)$?

$$A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\},$$
$$A \cup D = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\},$$
$$(A \cup B) \cap (A \cup D) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}.$$

h. What is $A \cap (B \cup D)$?

$$B \cup D = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\},$$
$$A \cap (B \cup D) = \{2, 4\}.$$

i. What is $(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap D)$?

$$A \cap B = \{2\},$$
$$A \cap D = \{2, 4\},$$
$$(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap D) = \{2, 4\}.$$

j. What is $(A \cap B) \cup D$?

$$A \cap B = \{2\},$$
$$(A \cap B) \cup D = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}.$$

k. What is $(A \cup D) \cap (B \cup D)$?

$$A \cup D = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\},$$

$$B \cup D = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\},$$

$$(A \cup D) \cap (B \cup D) = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}.$$

l. What is $(A \cap D) \cup (B \cap D)$?

$$A \cap D = \{2, 4\},$$

$$B \cap D = \{2, 3, 5\},$$

$$(A \cap D) \cup (B \cap D) = \{2, 3, 4, 5\}.$$

m. Given U , what is A^C ?

$$A^C = \{0, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}.$$

n. Given U , what is $(A \cup B)^C$?

$$A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\},$$

$$(A \cup B)^C = \{0, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}.$$

o. Given U , what is $(A \cap B)^C$?

$$A \cap B = \{2\},$$

$$(A \cap B)^C = \{0, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}.$$

p. What is $D \setminus E$?

$$D \setminus E = \emptyset.$$

q. What is $F \setminus A$?

$$F \setminus A = \{0, 5, 7\}.$$

Problem 2. Consider the following sets.

$$A = \left\{ \frac{a}{b} : a \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}, -1 \leq b \leq 3 \text{ and } b \in \text{integers}, b \neq 0 \right\}$$

$$B = \{ \{x, y\} : x + y = 5, x < 3 \text{ and } x \in \text{natural numbers}, y \leq 7 \}$$

$$C = \{ \{x, y\} : x + y = 5, x < 10 \text{ and } x \in \text{natural numbers}, y \leq 7 \text{ and } y \in \text{integers} \}$$

$$D = \{ \{x, y\} : x + 2y = 12, x < 10 \text{ and } x \in \text{natural numbers}, y \leq 7 \text{ and } y \in \text{integers} \}$$

$$E = \{ \{x, y\} : x + 2y = 12, x < 8 \text{ and } x \in \text{integers}, y \leq 7 \}$$

$$F = \{ \{x, y\} : 4x + y = -1, x < 2 \text{ and } x \in \text{integers}, y \leq 7 \}$$

$$G = \{ \{x, y\} : x + y = 5, x < 2 \text{ and } x \in \text{integers}, y \leq 7 \}$$

$$X = \{ \{x, y\} : |x| < 10, |y| < 5 \}$$

a. List or show the elements of each of the sets: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and X.

Hints: For set A, first find acceptable numbers for b.

For sets B, C, D, E, F and G, the set will be composed of ordered pairs (x, y).

$$A = \left\{ -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, 1, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{3}{2}, 2, 3, 4 \right\}$$

$$B = \{ \{1, 4\}, \{2, 3\} \},$$

$$C = \{ \{1, 4\}, \{2, 3\}, \{3, 2\}, \{4, 1\}, \{5, 0\}, \{6, -1\}, \{7, -2\}, \{8, -3\}, \{9, -4\} \},$$

$$D = \{ \{2, 5\}, \{4, 4\}, \{6, 3\}, \{8, 2\} \},$$

$$E = \left\{ \{-2, 7\}, \{-1, \frac{13}{2}\}, \{0, 6\}, \{1, \frac{11}{2}\}, \{2, 5\}, \{3, \frac{9}{2}\}, \{4, 4\}, \{5, \frac{7}{2}\}, \{6, 3\}, \{7, \frac{5}{2}\} \right\},$$

$$F = \{ \{-2, 7\}, \{-1, 3\}, \{0, -1\}, \{1, -5\} \},$$

$$G = \{ \{-2, 7\}, \{-1, 6\}, \{0, 5\}, \{1, 4\} \},$$

There are infinite elements in X, hence it can not be listed.

b. What is $A \cap B$?

$$A \cap B = \emptyset.$$

c. What is $B \cap C$?

$$B \cap C = \{\{1, 4\}, \{2, 3\}\}.$$

d. What is $B \cap D$?

$$B \cap D = \emptyset.$$

e. What is $B \cap E$?

$$B \cap E = \emptyset.$$

f. What is $E \cap F$?

$$E \cap F = \{\{-2, 7\}\}.$$

g. What is $E \cap G$?

$$E \cap G = \{\{-2, 7\}\}.$$

h. What is $E \cap F \cap G$?

$$E \cap F \cap G = \{\{-2, 7\}\}.$$

Problem 3. Simplify the following fractions.

a. $\frac{16}{20}$

$$\frac{16}{20} = \frac{16/4}{20/4} = \frac{4}{5}.$$

b. $\frac{112}{77}$

$$\frac{112}{77} = \frac{112/7}{77/7} = \frac{16}{11}.$$

c. $\frac{441}{189}$

$$\frac{441}{189} = \frac{441/63}{189/63} = \frac{7}{3}.$$

d. $\frac{4158}{2160}$

$$\frac{4158}{2160} = \frac{4158/54}{2160/54} = \frac{77}{40}.$$

e. $\frac{426888}{27720}$

$$\frac{426888}{27720} = \frac{426888/5544}{27720/5544} = \frac{77}{5}.$$

f. $\frac{15015}{35343}$

$$\frac{15015}{35343} = \frac{15015/231}{35343/231} = \frac{65}{153}.$$

Problem 4. Complete the following operations.

a. $\frac{14}{16} + \frac{1}{4}$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{14}{16} + \frac{1}{4} &= \frac{14}{16} + \frac{1 \times 4}{4 \times 4} \\ &= \frac{18}{16} \\ &= \frac{9}{8}.\end{aligned}$$

b. $\frac{\frac{112}{77}}{\frac{6}{7}}$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\frac{112}{77}}{\frac{6}{7}} &= \frac{\frac{112}{77} \times 77}{\frac{6}{7} \times 77} \\ &= \frac{112}{66} = \frac{112/2}{66/2} \\ &= \frac{56}{33}.\end{aligned}$$

c. $\frac{15}{28} + \frac{3}{7}$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{15}{28} + \frac{3}{7} &= \frac{15}{28} + \frac{12}{28} \\ &= \frac{27}{28}.\end{aligned}$$

d. $\frac{17}{26} + \frac{7}{4}$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{17}{26} + \frac{7}{4} &= \frac{17 \times 2}{26 \times 2} + \frac{7 \times 13}{4 \times 13} \\ &= \frac{34 + 91}{52} \\ &= \frac{125}{52}.\end{aligned}$$

e. $\frac{6}{7} + \frac{33}{84} + \frac{5}{6}$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{6}{7} + \frac{33}{84} + \frac{5}{6} &= \frac{6 \times 12}{7 \times 12} + \frac{33}{84} + \frac{5 \times 14}{6 \times 14} \\ &= \frac{72 + 33 + 70}{84} \\ &= \frac{175}{84} = \frac{175/7}{84/7} \\ &= \frac{25}{12}.\end{aligned}$$

f. $\frac{7}{8} + \frac{11}{24} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{7}{12}$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{7}{8} + \frac{11}{24} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{7}{12} &= \frac{7 \times 3}{8 \times 3} + \frac{11}{24} + \frac{1 \times 8}{3 \times 8} + \frac{7 \times 2}{12 \times 2} \\ &= \frac{21 + 11 + 8 + 14}{24} = \frac{54}{24} = \frac{54/6}{24/6} \\ &= \frac{9}{4}.\end{aligned}$$