



Exercise 1.5

Question 1:

Let $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$, $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, $B = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$ and $C = \{3, 4, 5, 6\}$. Find

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

Solution 1:

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

$$C = \{3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

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

$$B = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$$

$$(i) A' = \{5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$$

$$(ii) B' = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\}$$

$$(iii) A \cup C = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$\therefore (A \cup C)' = \{7, 8, 9\}$$

$$(iv) A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8\}$$

$$(A \cup B)' = \{5, 7, 9\}$$

$$(v) (A')' = A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$(vi) B - C = \{2, 8\}$$

$$\therefore (B - C)' = \{1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9\}$$

Question 2:

If $U = \{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h\}$, find the complements of the following sets:

$$(i) A = \{a, b, c\}$$

$$(ii) B = \{d, e, f, g\}$$

$$(iii) C = \{a, c, e, g\}$$

$$(iv) D = \{f, g, h, a\}$$

Solution 2:

$$U = \{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h\},$$

$$(i) A = \{a, b, c\}$$

$$A' = \{d, e, f, g, h\}$$

$$(ii) B = \{d, e, f, g\}$$

$$\therefore B' = \{a, b, c, h\}$$

$$(iii) C = \{a, c, e, g\}$$

$$\therefore C' = \{b, d, f, h\}$$

$$(iv) D = \{f, g, h, a\}$$

$$\therefore D' = \{b, c, d, e\}$$

Question 3:

Taking the set of natural numbers as the universal set, write down the complements of the following sets:

$$(i) \{x : x \text{ is an even natural number}\}$$

$$(ii) \{x : x \text{ is an odd natural number}\}$$

$$(iii) \{x : x \text{ is a positive multiple of } 3\}$$

$$(iv) \{x : x \text{ is a prime number}\}$$

$$(v) \{x : x \text{ is a natural number divisible by } 3 \text{ and } 5\}$$

$$(vi) \{x : x \text{ is a perfect square}\}$$

$$(vii) \{x : x \text{ is a perfect cube}\}$$

$$(viii) \{x : x + 5 = 8\}$$

$$(ix) \{x : 2x + 5 = 9\}$$

$$(x) \{x : x \geq 7\}$$

$$(xi) \{x : x \in N \text{ and } 2x + 1 > 10\}$$

Solution 3:

$U = N$ set of natural numbers

$$(i) \{x : x \text{ is an even natural number}\}' = \{x : x \text{ is an odd natural number}\}$$

$$(ii) \{x : x \text{ is an odd natural number}\}' = \{x : x \text{ is an even natural number}\}$$

$$(iii) \{x : x \text{ is a positive multiple of } 3\}' = \{x : x \in N \text{ and } x \text{ is not a multiple of } 3\}$$

$$(iv) \{x : x \text{ is a prime number}\}' = \{x : x \text{ is a positive composite number and } x = 1\}$$

(v)

$$\{x : x \text{ is a natural number divisible by } 3 \text{ and } 5\}' = \{x : x \text{ is a natural number that is not divisible by } 3 \text{ or } 5\}$$

(vi) $\{x : x \text{ is a perfect square}\}' = \{x : x \in N \text{ and } x \text{ is not a perfect square}\}$

(vii) $\{x : x \text{ is a perfect cube}\}' = \{x : x \in N \text{ and } x \text{ is not a perfect cube}\}$

(viii) $\{x : x + 5 = 8\}' = \{x : x \in N \text{ and } x \neq 3\}$

(ix) $\{x : 2x + 5 = 9\}' = \{x : x \in N \text{ and } x \neq 2\}$

(x) $\{x : x \geq 7\}' = \{x : x \in N \text{ and } x < 7\}$

(xi) $\{x : x \in N \text{ and } 2x + 1 > 10\}' = \{x : x \in N \text{ and } x \leq 9/2\}$

Question 4:

If $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$, $A = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$ and $B = \{2, 3, 5, 7\}$. Verify that

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

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

Solution 4:

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

$$A = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}, B = \{2, 3, 5, 7\}$$

(i) $(A \cup B)' = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}' = \{1, 9\}$

$$A' \cap B' = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\} \cap \{1, 4, 6, 8, 9\} = \{1, 9\}$$

$$\therefore (A \cup B)' = A' \cap B'$$

(ii) $(A \cap B)' = \{2\}' = \{1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$

$$(A \cup B)' = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\} \cup \{1, 4, 6, 8, 9\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$$

$$\therefore (A \cap B)' = A' \cup B'$$

Question 5:

Draw appropriate Venn diagram for each of the following:

(i)

(ii) $A' \cap B'$

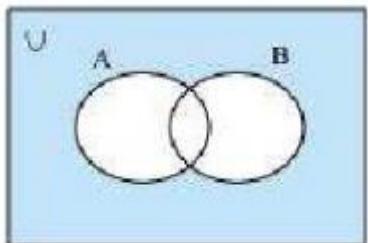
(iii) $(A \cap B)'$

$$(A \cup B)'$$

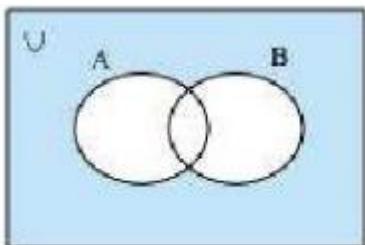
(iv) $A' \cup B'$

Solution 5:

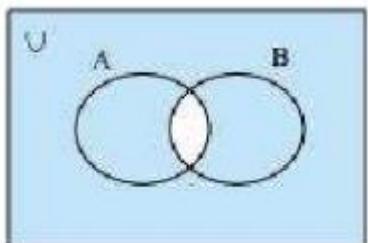
(i)



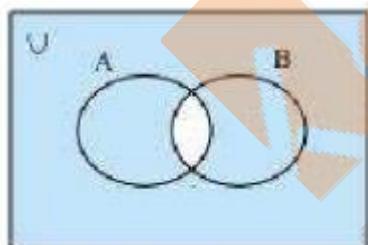
(ii) $A' \cap B'$



(iii) $(A \cap B)'$



(iv) $A' \cup B'$



Question 6:

Let U be the set of all triangles in a plane. If A is the set of all triangles with at least one angle different from 60° , what is A' ?

Solution 6:

is the set of all equilateral triangles.

Question 7:

Fill in the blanks to make each of the following a true statement:

(i) $A \cup A' = \dots$

(ii) $\emptyset \cap A = \dots$

(iii) $A \cap A' = \dots$

(iv) $U' \cap A = \dots$

Solution 7:

(i) $A \cup A' = U$

(ii) $\emptyset \cap A = U \cap A = A$

$\therefore \emptyset \cap A = A$

(iii) $A \cap A' = \emptyset$

(iv) $U' \cap A = \emptyset \cap A = \emptyset$

$\therefore U' \cap A = \emptyset$

