

Homework 15 due Wednesday, April 1.

1. Guess $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ and $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$, where A_n is defined as follows for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

(a) $A_n = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \leq n\}$;

(b) $A_n = \left\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -\frac{1}{n} \leq x \leq \frac{1}{n}\right\}$;

(c) $A_n = \left\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -\frac{1}{n} < x < n\right\}$.

2. Decide which of the following represent true statements about the nature of sets. For any that are false, provide a specific example where the statement in question does not hold. Prove the true statements.

(a) $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup C$;

$$(b) A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C;$$

$$(c) A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C);$$

(d) If $A_1 \supseteq A_2 \supseteq \dots \supseteq A_n \supseteq \dots$

are all sets containing an infinite number of elements, then the intersection $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ is infinite as well.