

# Individual 4

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Introduction to Proof and Problem Solving

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**Problem 12.** (1) Consider the statement

$$p \equiv \{\forall M \in \mathbb{R}, \exists K \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } \forall x > K, f(x) > M\}.$$

(a) Write  $\neg p$ .

(b) Consider the function  $f$  from  $\mathbb{R}$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x} & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}.$$

Does  $f$  satisfy  $p$  or  $\neg p$ ? Prove your answer.

*Solution.* (a) The negation of  $p$  is

$$\neg p \equiv \{\exists M \in \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } \forall K \in \mathbb{R}, \exists x < K \text{ such that } f(x) \leq M\}$$



*Proof.* We will do something...



While working on this proof, I received no external assistance aside from advice from Professor Mehmetaj.