## Exercises from Everything by All Authors

**Artin.exercise.6.4.2** If G is a simple group, then G is not simple.

**Artin.exercise.6.4.12** Show that the alternating group  $A_7$  is simple.

**Artin.exercise.10.1.13** Show that if x is nilpotent, then 1 + x is a unit.

**Artin.exercise.11.2.13** If a and b are integers, then a divides b.

**Artin.exercise.11.4.6a** Show that the polynomial  $X^2 + 1$  is irreducible in the ring of polynomials over F.

**Artin.exercise.13.6.10** Prove that the equation  $x^2 + 1 = 0$  has no solutions in K.

Axler.exercise.1.2 Prove that the cube of a complex number is equal to its negative.

**Axler.exercise.1.4** Prove that if v is a nonzero vector in V, then v is a zero vector if and only if v is a zero vector.

**Axler.exercise.1.7** Let U be a submodule of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $U \neq \mathbb{R}^2$ . Prove that there exists a vector  $u \in U$  such that  $u \neq 0$ .

**Axler.exercise.1.9** Let U be a submodule of V. Prove that there exists a submodule U' of V such that U' is a complement of U and  $U' \cap W = U \cap W$ .

**Axler.exercise.3.8** Let L be a linear map from V to W. Prove that there exists a subspace U of V such that L maps U isomorphically onto L(U) and L(U) is a direct summand of W.

**Axler.exercise.5.1** Prove that the map L is linear.

**Axler.exercise.5.11** Prove that if S and T are commuting linear operators on a finite-dimensional vector space V, then the eigenvalues of S \* T are the same as the eigenvalues of T \* S.

**Axler.exercise.5.24** Prove that if U is a finite-dimensional subspace of V, then U is even.

**Axler.exercise.6.3** Prove that if a and b are real numbers, then

Axler.exercise.6.13 Prove that the following are equivalent:

**Axler.exercise.7.9** Prove that if T is a self-adjoint operator on a finite-dimensional inner product space, then T is diagonalizable.

**Axler.exercise.7.11** Prove that there exists a linear operator S such that  $S^2 = T$ .

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.1.1.4** Prove that the following are equivalent:

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.1.1.17** Show that  $x^n = x^{n-1}x$ .

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.1.1.20** If x is an element of infinite order in G, prove that the elements  $x^n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  are all distinct.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.1.1.22b** Prove that the order of a \* b is equal to the order of b \* a.

Dummit-Foote.exercise.1.1.29 Prove that the following are equivalent:

Dummit-Foote.exercise.1.3.8 Show that the permutation group of the natural numbers is infinite.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.1.6.23** Show that the map  $x \mapsto x^{-1}$  is an automorphism of G.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.2.4.16c** Prove that if H is a proper subgroup of G, then H is not a maximal subgroup of G.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.3.2.16** Prove that if a is coprime to p, then  $a^p \equiv a[ZMODp]$ .

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.3.3.3** Prove that if H is a p-subgroup of G, then H is normal in G.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.3.4.4** Let G be a group, and let H be a subgroup of G of index n. Prove that H is a normal subgroup of G.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.3.4.5b** Prove that if H is a normal subgroup of G, then G is solvable.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.4.2.8** Let H be a subgroup of G of index n. Prove that H is a normal subgroup of G.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.4.2.9a** Suppose that H is a p-subgroup of G, and that H has index p in G. Prove that H is normal.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.4.4.2** Prove that if G is a finite group of order p \* q, then G is cyclic.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.4.4.6b** There exists a non-abelian group G such that G.characteristic = 0 and G.normal = G.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.4.4.8a** Prove that H is a normal subgroup of K if and only if H is a normal subgroup of G and K is a normal subgroup of G.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.4.5.13** There exists a Sylow 7-subgroup of G.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.4.5.15** There are exactly four sylow subgroups of G of order 3, namely 1, G, and G and G.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.4.5.17** Show that the Sylow 5 and Sylow 7 subgroups of G are nonempty.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.4.5.19** Show that the group of order 6545 is not simple.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.4.5.21** Show that the group of order 2907 is not simple.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.4.5.23** Show that the group of order 462 is not simple.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.4.5.33** Prove that if H is a p-subgroup of G, then H is a Sylow p-subgroup of G.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.7.1.2** If u is a unit, then -u is a unit.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.7.1.12** Show that if F is a field, then F[x] is a domain.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.7.4.27** Prove that if a is nilpotent, then 1 - a \* b is a unit.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.8.2.4** Prove that a principal ideal is generated by a single element.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.8.3.5a** Prove that the polynomial  $x^2 - n$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.8.3.6b** Show that the Gaussian integers are a field.

**Dummit-Foote.exercise.9.4.9** Prove that the polynomial  $X^2 - C\sqrt{d}$  is irreducible in  $\mathbb{Q}[X]$  for  $d \neq 0$ .

**Herstein.exercise.2.1.26** Let G be a group, and let a be an element of G of infinite order. Prove that there exists a natural number n such that  $a^n = 1$ .

Herstein.exercise.2.2.3 Prove that the commutator subgroup of a group is a normal subgroup.

**Herstein.exercise.2.2.6c** Prove that if G is a group and n is a natural number greater than 1, then the following are equivalent:

(a) G is abelian; (b) G is abelian and n is even; (c) G is abelian and n is odd; (d) G is abelian and n is odd; (e) G is abelian and n is even; (f) G is abelian and n is even; (g) G is abelian and n is odd; (h) G is abelian and n is even; (i) G is abelian and n is odd; (j) G is abelian and n is even; (k) G is abelian and n is odd; (l) G is abelian and G is abelia

**Herstein.exercise.2.3.16** Suppose that G is a group, and H is a subgroup of G such that H is not the trivial group. Prove that H is not cyclic.

**Herstein.exercise.2.5.23** rove that if G is a group, then for all  $a, b \in G$ , there exists  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $b * a = a^j * b$ .

**Herstein.exercise.2.5.31** Show that if H is a p-subgroup of G, then the index of H inside its normalizer is congruent modulo p to the index of H.

Herstein.exercise.2.5.43 Prove that the commutator subgroup of a group of order 9 is trivial.

**Herstein.exercise.2.8.15** Prove that there is a group isomorphism between G and H.

**Herstein.exercise.2.11.7** If P is a p-Sylow subgroup of G, then the index of P inside its normalizer is congruent modulo p to the index of P.

**Herstein.exercise.4.1.34** Show that the general linear group of degree 3 over the field of two elements is isomorphic to the symmetric group on three elements.

**Herstein.exercise.4.2.6** Prove that the following are equivalent: (a) a \* (a \* x + x \* a) = (x + x \* a) \* a (b) a \* (a \* x + x \* a) = (x + x \* a) \* a (c) a \* (a \* x + x \* a) = (x + x \* a) \* a (d) a \* (a \* x + x \* a) = (x + x \* a) \* a (e) a \* (a \* x + x \* a) = (x + x \* a) \* a (f) a \* (a \* x + x \* a) = (x + x \* a) \* a (g) a \* (a \* x + x \* a) = (x + x \* a) \* a (h) a \* (a \* x + x \* a) = (x + x \* a) \* a (i) a \* (a \* x + x \* a) = (x + x \* a) \* a (l) a \* (a \* x + x \* a) = (x + x \* a) \* a

**Herstein.exercise.4.3.1** Let R be a commutative ring, and let a be an element of R. Prove that the set of elements x of R such that x\*a=0 is an ideal of R.

**Herstein.exercise.4.4.9** Prove that there exists a set of p elements of  $\mathbb{Z}$  such that the sum of the squares of the elements is equal to  $p^2$ .

**Herstein.exercise.5.3.7** Show that if a is algebraic over F, then a is algebraic over F(a).

**Herstein.exercise.5.4.3** rove that the polynomial p of degree 80 with coefficients in  $\mathbb{Q}$  has a root in  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

**Herstein.exercise.5.6.14** Show that the cardinality of the root set of  $X^m - X$  is m.

**Ireland-Rosen.exercise.2.4** Prove that the function  $f_a$  is uniformly continuous.

**Ireland-Rosen.exercise.2.27a** Suppose that p is a prime number. Show that the sequence  $(1/p^n)$  is not summable.

**Ireland-Rosen.exercise.3.4** There is no integer x such that  $3 * x^2 + 2 = y^2$  for all integers y.

**Ireland-Rosen.exercise.4.4** Prove that if p is prime, then a is a primitive root of p if and only if -a is a primitive root of p.

**Ireland-Rosen.exercise.4.6** Show that the polynomial  $x^3 - p$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

**Ireland-Rosen.exercise.4.11** Prove that if p is prime, then  $p^k$  is prime.

**Munkres.exercise.13.3b** Prove that if X is a set, then X is infinite if and only if X is infinite and X is not empty.

**Munkres.exercise.13.4a2** There exists a set X and a family of sets  $\{T_i\}_{i\in I}$  such that  $T_i$  is a topology on X for all  $i \in I$ , and  $T_i$  is not a topology on X for all  $i \in I$ .

**Munkres.exercise.13.5b** Show that the topology generated by A is the smallest topology on X such that A is a subset of the topology.

Munkres.exercise.16.1 Prove that the following are equivalent: (1) A is open. (2) A = (subtype.val "A). (3) A = (subtype.val "(subtype.val "A)). (4) A = (subtype.val "(subtype.val "(subtype.val "(subtype.val "A))). (5) A = (subtype.val "(subtype.val "(su

**Munkres.exercise.16.6** Show that the set of all rational numbers in the open interval (a, b) is a topological basis for the topology on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Munkres.exercise.18.13** Suppose A is a subset of X, and f is a continuous function from A to Y. Prove that f is continuous.

**Munkres.exercise.23.11** Suppose X, Y are topological spaces, and Y is connected. Let p be a quotient map from X onto Y. Prove that p is a quotient map if and only if p is a quotient map.

Munkres.exercise.24.3a Prove that if f is continuous, then f is constant.

**Munkres.exercise.25.9** Let G be a topological group. Prove that C is a normal subgroup of G if and only if C is a connected component of G.

Munkres.exercise.26.12 Prove that p is a closed map.

Munkres.exercise.28.4 Prove that a topological space is countably compact if and only if it is limit point compact.

Munkres.exercise.28.6 Prove that f is bijective.

Munkres.exercise.29.4 There is no locally compact space that is compact and Hausdorff.

**Munkres.exercise.30.10** Let X be a topological space. Prove that there exists a countable dense subset of X.

**Munkres.exercise.31.3** Prove that a topological space is regular if and only if it is Hausdorff, and for every point x and every neighborhood U of x, there exists a neighborhood V of x such that  $V \subseteq U$  and  $V \cap U = \emptyset$ .

**Munkres.exercise.32.2a** Suppose that X is a topological space, and that X is nonempty. Prove that X is a  $t2_space$ .

**Munkres.exercise.32.2c** Suppose X is a topological space, and Y is a normal space. Let f map X into Y, and let g be a continuous one-to-one mapping of Y into Z. Prove that f is continuous if g is continuous.

Munkres.exercise.33.7 Prove that if X is a locally compact space, then the following are equivalent: (1) X is compact. (2) X is second-countable. (3) X is separable. (4) X is Lindelöf. (5) X is completely regular. (6) X is completely regular and second-countable. (7) X is completely regular and Lindelöf. (8) X is completely regular and second-countable. (9) X is completely regular and Lindelöf. (10) X is completely regular. (12) X is completely regular. (13) X is completely regular. (14) X is completely regular. (15) X is completely regular. (16) X is completely regular. (17) X is completely regular. (18) X is completely regular. (19) X is completely regular. (20) X is completely regular. (21) X is completely regular. (22) X is completely regular. (23) X is completely regular. (24) X is completely regular. (25) X is completely regular. (26) X is completely regular. (27) X is completely regular. (28) X is completely regular. (29) X is completely regular. (30) X is completely regular. (31) X is completely regular. (32) X is completely regular. (31) X is completely regular. (32) X is completely regular. (31) X is completely regular. (32) X is completely regular.

Munkres.exercise.34.9 Prove that the union of two compact sets is compact.

**Pugh.exercise.2.26** Prove that a set is open if and only if it contains all of its cluster points.

Pugh.exercise.2.32a Show that the set of all numbers that are not in A is closed.

**Pugh.exercise.2.92** Prove that if s is a sequence of nonempty compact sets, then the intersection of all the sets in the sequence is nonempty.

**Pugh.exercise.3.1** Prove that if f is a continuous function on the real line, then f is constant.

**Pugh.exercise.3.63a** Prove that the function f is continuous at 1.

**Putnam.exercise.1999.b4** Show that if f is differentiable at x, then f'(x) < 2 \* f(x).

**Putnam.exercise.2001.a5** Prove that there are no solutions to the equation  $a^n - (a+1)^n = 2001$  in positive integers a and n.

**Putnam.exercise.2014.a5** Prove that the polynomial *P* is irreducible.

**Putnam.exercise.2018.a5** Prove that there exists a sequence of real numbers  $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  such that  $x_0=0$  and  $x_{n+1}=f(x_n)$  for all  $n\in\mathbb{N}$ .

**Putnam.exercise.2018.b4** Prove that there exists a periodic function f such that f(0) = a and f(n) = 0 for all n > 0.

**Rudin.exercise.1.1b** Suppose that x is irrational. Then x \* y is irrational.

**Rudin.exercise.1.12** Prove that if f is a complex-valued function on a finite set S, then |f| is a real-valued function on S.

Rudin.exercise.1.14 Prove that the square of the absolute value of a complex number is equal to the sum of the squares of the absolute values of its real and imaginary parts.

Rudin.exercise.1.17 Prove that the square of the Euclidean norm is a norm.

**Rudin.exercise.2.25** Let K be a compact metric space. Prove that there exists a countable basis for the topology of K.

**Rudin.exercise.2.27b** Show that if E is a nonempty set of real numbers, then E is countable if and only if E is uncountable.

Rudin.exercise.2.29 Prove that the set of all real numbers is the union of a countable family of open intervals.

**Rudin.exercise.3.2a** Prove that the sequence of functions  $f_n(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + n^2} - n$  converges uniformly to  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 1} - 1$  on the interval [0, 1].

**Rudin.exercise.3.5** Prove that if a and b are two real sequences, then

**Rudin.exercise.3.7** Prove that the sequence of functions  $f_n(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + n}$  converges uniformly to  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2}$ .

**Rudin.exercise.3.13** Prove that if f is a continuous function from a compact space X into a metric space Y, then f is uniformly continuous.

**Rudin.exercise.4.3** Prove that f is continuous if f is continuous.

**Rudin.exercise.4.4b** Prove that f = g.

**Rudin.exercise.4.8a** Suppose E is a metric space, and f is a continuous function from E into  $\mathbb{R}$ . Prove that f is uniformly continuous.

**Rudin.exercise.4.11a** Suppose X is a metric space, and Y is a metric space. Let f map X into Y, and let x be a Cauchy sequence in X. Prove that f(x) is a Cauchy sequence in Y.

**Rudin.exercise.4.15** Prove that if f is monotone, then f is continuous.

**Rudin.exercise.5.1** Prove that the function f defined by  $f(x) = x^2$  is continuous.

**Rudin.exercise.5.3** Prove that if q is continuous and injective, then q is strictly increasing.

**Rudin.exercise.5.5** Prove that if f is differentiable at x, then f(x+1) - f(x) tends to 0 as x tends to x.

**Rudin.exercise.5.7** Suppose that f and g are differentiable at x, and that  $f(x) \neq 0$  and  $g(x) \neq 0$ . Prove that f(x)/g(x) tends to 1 as x tends to x.

**Rudin.exercise.5.17** Prove that there exists a point x in the open interval (-1,1) such that f is differentiable at x and f'(x) = 3.

**Shakarchi.exercise.1.13b** Prove that if f is differentiable at a, then f is differentiable at b.

**Shakarchi.exercise.1.19a** Show that the sequence s is not uniformly convergent.

**Shakarchi.exercise.1.19c** Show that the sequence of partial sums of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} s(n)z^n$  converges to a complex number z.

**Shakarchi.exercise.3.14** Prove that if f is differentiable at  $z_0$ , then f is linear.

**Shakarchi.exercise.5.1** Prove that the sequence of partial sums of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$  converges to a limit, and that the sequence of partial sums of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \sin n$  converges to a limit.