

Problem 6.

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (0, 1/n) = \emptyset.$$

Proof. Let $S = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} (0, 1/n) = \emptyset$. Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Consider the following 3 cases.

Case 1: Suppose $x \leq 0$, then $x \notin S$ as $x \notin (0, 1)$.

Case 2: Suppose $x \geq 0$, then $x \notin S$ as $x \notin (0, 1)$.

Case 3: Suppose $0 < x < 1$, Choose $n \in \mathbb{N}$ so that $n > \frac{1}{x}$. Then $x > \frac{1}{n}$. so $x \in (0, \frac{1}{n})$, thus $x \notin S$

These cases show that an arbitrary $x \in \mathbb{R}$ is not in S . \square

Problem 7. Given a function f and a subset A of its domain, consider the image $f(A) = \{f(x) : x \in A\}$.

- (a) An example of a function f , and two subsets A, B of the domain of f , for which $f(A \cap B) \neq f(A) \cap f(B)$ is

$$f(x) = |x|$$

where set A is a subset of the domain defined by $A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 < x\}$ and where set B is a subset of the domain defined by $B = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \geq 0\}$.

- (b) If A, B are subsets of the domain of f then $f(A \cup B)$ IS RELATED IN SOME WAY TO $f(A) \cup f(B)$.

Proof. \square

Problem 8. If $a \in \mathbb{R}$ is an upper bound for $A \subset \mathbb{R}$, and if a is also an element of A , then $a = \sup A$.

Proof. \square

Problem 9. (a) Let $A = \{m/n : m, n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ with } m < n\}$. Then $\inf A =$ and $\sup A =$.

(b) Let $B = \{(-1)^m/n : n, m \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Then $\inf B =$ and $\sup B =$.

(c) Let $C = \{n/(3n+1) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Then $\inf C =$ and $\sup C =$.

(d) Let $D = \{m/(m+n) : m, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Then $\inf D =$ and $\sup D =$.

Problem 10. (a) If A and B are nonempty, bounded, and satisfy $A \subseteq B$ then $\sup A \leq \sup B$.

(b) If $\sup A < \inf B$ for nonempty sets A and B , then there exists $c \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $a < c < b$ for all $a \in A$ and $b \in B$.

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Problem 11. Denote the irrational numbers by $\mathbb{I} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$.

(a) If $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$ then $ab \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $a + b \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Proof. □

(b) If $a \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $t \in \mathbb{I}$ then $a + t \in \mathbb{I}$. If also $a \neq 0$ then $at \in \mathbb{I}$.

Proof. □

(c) Suppose $s, t \in \mathbb{I}$. Then PROPOSITION ABOUT WHETHER st AND $s + t$ ARE EITHER RATIONAL OR IRRATIONAL IN GENERAL.

Problem 12. For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $2^n \geq n$.

Proof. □

Problem 13. Let $y_1 = 6$ and, for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $y_{n+1} = (2y_n - 6)/3$.

(a) For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $y_n \geq -6$.

Proof. □

(b) The sequence (y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots) is decreasing.

Proof. □