

# Math3283W study guiding

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# 1 Midterm one

## 1.1 Vocabulary

### 1.1.1 Section 1.1

**statement** A sentence classified as something either true or false is a *statement*.

**sentential connectives** *not, and, or, if... then, if and only if.*

**conjunction**  $p \wedge q$

**disjunction**  $p \vee q$

**implication/conditional**  $p \Rightarrow q$

**antecedant**  $p$  statement

**consequent**  $q$  statement

**biconditional**  $p \Leftrightarrow q$

**negation**  $\neg p$  represents the logical opposite of  $p$ .

**tautology** A statement which is true in all cases.

- examples:

$$\neg(p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow [(\neg p) \vee (\neg q)]$$

$$\neg(p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow [(\neg p) \wedge (\neg q)]$$

$$\neg(p \Rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow [p \vee (\neg q)]$$

### 1.1.2 Section 1.2

**universal quantifier**  $\forall x, p(x)$

**existential quantifier**  $\exists x \ni p(x)$

### 1.1.3 Section 1.3

**deductive reasoning** Applying a general principle to a particular case.

**$p \Rightarrow q$  as a theorem** When an implication is identified as a theorem, it is customary to refer to  $p$  as the **hypothesis** and  $q$  as the **conclusion**.

**converse**  $p \Rightarrow q$  has the converse  $q \Rightarrow p$ . Not tautologically equivalent to implication.

**inverse**  $p \Rightarrow q$  has the inverse  $(\neg p) \Rightarrow (\neg q)$ . Not tautologically equivalent to implication.

**contrapositive** Tautologically equivalent to the implication.

$$(p \Rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg q \Rightarrow \neg p)$$

#### 1.1.4 Section 2.1

**subset**  $A \subseteq B$ .  $A$  is a **subset** of  $B$  (or  $A$  is **contained** in  $B$ ). If we want to prove  $A \subseteq B$ , then we must prove "if  $x \in A$ , then  $x \in B$ ".

**proper subset**  $A \subset B$ .  $\forall a \in A, a \in B$ , but  $\exists b \in B \ni b \notin A$ . That is, all elements of  $A$  are in  $B$ , but some elements of  $B$  are not in  $A$ .

**equal** A set  $A$  is equal to a set  $B$  provided that  $A \subseteq B$  and  $A \supseteq B$  (or  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq A$ ).

**closed interval**  $[a, b]$

**open interval**  $(a, b)$

**half-open (half-closed) interval**  $[a, b)$ , or  $(a, b]$ .

**union**  $A \cup B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$

**intersection**  $A \cap B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$

- If  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ , then  $A$  and  $B$  are said to be **disjoint**

**complement**  $A \setminus B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$

#### 1.1.5 Section 2.2

**ordered pairs**  $(a, b) = \{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$

**Cartesian product (cross product)**  $A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$

**relation** A **relation** between  $A$  and  $B$  is any subset  $\mathcal{R}$  of  $A \times B$ . We say that an element  $a$  in  $A$  is related by  $\mathcal{R}$  to an element  $b$  in  $B$  if  $(a, b) \in \mathcal{R}$ . The first set  $A$  is referred to as the **domain**, of the relation and denoted  $\text{dom } \mathcal{R}$ . If  $B = A$ , then we speak of a relation  $\mathcal{R} \subseteq A \times A$  being a **relation on**  $A$ .

**equivalence relation** A relation  $\mathcal{R}$  is an **equivalence relation** if:

1.  $x\mathcal{R}x$  (reflexive property)
2. If  $x\mathcal{R}y$ , then  $y\mathcal{R}x$  (symmetric property)
3. If  $x\mathcal{R}y$  and  $y\mathcal{R}z$ , then  $x\mathcal{R}z$  (transitive property)

**equivalence class** An equivalence class (with respect to  $\mathcal{R}$ ) of  $x \in S$  is defined to be the set

$$E_x = \{y \in S \mid y\mathcal{R}x\}$$

**partition** Also, we see that an equivalence relation  $\mathcal{R}$  on a set  $S$  breaks  $S$  into **disjoint** pieces in a natural way. A partition of a set  $S$  is a collection  $\mathcal{P}$  of nonempty subsets of  $S$  such that

1. Each  $x \in S$  belongs to some subset  $A \in \mathcal{P}$ .
2. For all  $A, B \in \mathcal{P}$ , if  $A \neq B$ , then  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ .

A member of  $\mathcal{P}$  is called a **piece** of the partition.

### 1.1.6 Section 2.3

**function** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets. Then, a **function** from  $A$  to  $B$  is a nonempty relation  $f \subseteq A \times B$  that satisfies the following two conditions.

1. *Existence*: For all  $a$  in  $A$ , there exists a  $b$  in  $B$  such that  $(a, b) \in f$ .
2. *Uniqueness*: If  $(a, b) \in f$  and  $(a, c) \in f$ , then  $b = c$ .

Set  $A$  is called the **domain** of  $f$  and is denoted by  $\text{dom } f$ . Set  $B$  is referred to as the **codomain** of  $f$ . We may write  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  to indicate that  $f$  has domain  $A$  and codomain  $B$ .

**range** The set of all second elements of members of  $f$ . That is:

$$\text{rng } f = \{b \in B \mid \exists a \in A \ni (a, b) \in f\}$$

**surjective (A onto B)** A function  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  is **surjective** if  $B = \text{rng } f$ .  $f$  is referred to as a **surjection**.

**injective (one-to-one)** A function  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  is **injective** if, for all  $a$  and  $a'$  in  $A$ ,  $f(a) = f(a')$ .  $f$  is referred to as an **injection**.

**bijective** A function  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  is bijective or a bijection if it is both surjective and injective.

**characteristic function (indicator function)** Let  $A$  be a nonempty set and let  $S$  be a subset of  $A$ . We may define a function  $\mathcal{X}_S : A \longrightarrow \{0, 1\}$  by

$$\mathcal{X}_S(a) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in S, \\ 0, & \text{if } x \notin S. \end{cases}$$

If  $S$  is a nonempty proper subset of  $A$ , then  $\mathcal{X}_S$  is surjective. If  $S = \emptyset$  or  $S = A$ , then  $\mathcal{X}_S$  is not surjective.

**vertical line test**

**inverse** Let  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  be bijective. The **inverse function** of  $f$  is the function  $f^{-1}$  given by

$$f^{-1} = \{(y, x) \in B \times A \mid (x, y) \in f\}.$$

**identity function** A function defined on a set  $A$  that maps each element in  $A$  onto itself is called the **identity function** on  $A$ , and is denoted  $f^{-1} \circ f = i_A$ . Furthermore, if  $f(x) = y$ , then  $x = f^{-1}(y)$ , so that

$$f \circ f^{-1}(y) = f(f^{-1}(y)) = f(x) = y.$$

Thus,  $f \circ f^{-1} = i_B$ .

## 1.2 Theorem

### 1.2.1 Section 1.4

- This example shows a *direct proof*.
  - For every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$1 - \delta < x < 1 + \delta \text{ implies that } 5 - \epsilon < 2x + 3 < 5 + \epsilon.$$

1. Begin by letting  $\epsilon$  be an arbitrary positive number, i.e.  $\epsilon > 0$ . We need to use this  $\epsilon$  to find a positive  $\delta$  with the property that

$$1 - \delta < x < 1 + \delta \text{ implies that } 5 - \epsilon < 2x + 3 < 5 + \epsilon.$$

2. Given any  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $\delta = \epsilon/2$ .  $\delta > 0$ , and whenever

$$1 - \delta < x < 1 + \delta$$

we have

$$1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < x < 1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

so that

$$2 - \epsilon < 2x < 2 + \epsilon$$

and

$$5 - \epsilon < 2x + 3 < 5 + \epsilon$$

thus

$$1 - \delta < x < 1 + \delta \text{ implies that } 5 - \epsilon < 2x + 3 < 5 + \epsilon.$$

- This example shows a *indirect proof*.
  - Let  $f$  be an integrable function, so that

If  $\int_0^1 f(x)dx \neq 0$ , then there exists a point  $x$  in the interval  $[0, 1]$  such that  $f(x) \neq 0$ .

1. Symbolically, we have  $p \Rightarrow q$ , where

$$p : \int_0^1 f(x)dx \neq 0,$$

$$q : \exists x \text{ in } [0, 1] \ni f(x) \neq 0.$$

The contrapositive implication,  $\neg q \Rightarrow \neg p$ , can be written

$$\text{If for every } x \text{ in } [0, 1], f(x) = 0, \text{ then } \int_0^1 f(x)dx = 0.$$

2. This is obviously true. The integral of all 0 integrands is obviously 0.

- This example shows a *proof by contradiction*.

- Let  $x$  be a real number.

If  $x > 0$ , then  $1/x > 0$ .

1. Symbolically, we have  $p \Rightarrow q$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} p &: x > 0 \\ q &: 1/x > 0 \end{aligned}$$

so that,  $(p \Rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow ((p \wedge \neg q) \Rightarrow c)$ , where  $c$  represents a contradiction.

2. Begin by supposing  $x > 0$  and  $1/x \leq 0$ . Since  $x > 0$ , we can multiply both sides of the inequality  $1/x \leq 0$  by  $x$  to obtain

$$(x) \left( \frac{1}{x} \right) \leq (x)(0)$$

But  $(x)(1/x) = 1$  and  $(x)(0) = 0$ , so we have  $1 \leq 0$ , a contradiction to the (presumably known) fact that  $1 > 0$ . Having show that  $p \wedge \neg q$  leads to a contradiction, we conclude that  $p \Rightarrow q$ .

- This example shows a *proof with absolute value*.

- If  $x$  is a real number, then  $x \leq |x|$

$$\begin{aligned} s &: x \text{ is a real number} \\ r &: x \leq |x| \end{aligned}$$

The definition of statement  $r$  can be rewritten as:

$$|x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0, \\ -x, & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

1. Since the definition is divided into two parts, it is natural to divide our proof into two cases. Thus statement  $s$  is replaced by the equivalent disjunction  $p \vee q$ , where

$$p : x \geq 0 \text{ and } q : x < 0.$$

2. The case to prove now is  $(p \vee q) \Rightarrow r$ , which is the same as  $(p \Rightarrow r) \wedge (q \Rightarrow r)$ .
3. If  $x \geq 0$ , then  $x = |x|$ . If  $x < 0$ , then  $-x > 0$ , so that  $x < 0 < -x = |x|$ . Or,  $x \leq |x|$ . Thus,  $(p \Rightarrow r) \wedge (q \Rightarrow r)$ . Hence, if  $x$  is a real number, then  $x \leq |x|$

### 1.2.2 Section 2.3

- Let  $f : A \longrightarrow B$ . Then

1.  $f^{-1} : B \longrightarrow A$  is bijective.
2.  $f^{-1} \circ f = i_A$  and  $f \circ f^{-1} = i_B$ .

### 1.3 Practice test

- question (1, d)
  - Define  $A_n = (3, 4 + \frac{1}{n})$ , an open interval in  $\mathbb{R}$ , for each natural number  $n$ . Without writing a proof, determine

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$$

**answer:** When  $n = 1$ ,  $A_1 = (3, 4 + 1) = (3, 5)$ . When  $n = 2$ , the  $A_1 = (3, 4 + \frac{1}{2}) = (3, 4.5)$ . Here, consider  $f(n) = 4 + \frac{2}{n}$ , the function for the upper bound of  $A_n$  for each  $n$ . Here, the forward difference quotient  $\Delta f(1) = f(2) - f(1) = 4.5 - 5 < 0$ . Considering the function  $f(n)$ , this difference quotient will always be negative. Therefore, the highest upper bound over all the parts of the union will be  $f(1) = 5$ . Since the lower bound function is constant, the lowest lower bound over all the parts of the union will be 3. Therefore,  $A_n \subseteq (3, 5)$ , and  $A_n = \{(3, 4 + \frac{1}{n}) \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .

- question (2, a) For all  $x$ , there exists  $y$  such that for all  $z$ , if  $y < x$  then  $z < y$ .
  1. write the negation:
  2. Determine whether the original statement is true or false. Write "true" or "false", and then justify your answer by proving the original statment or the negation that you wrote in (a):

**answer 1:** There exists  $x$  such that for all  $y$ , there exists  $z$  such that  $y < x$  and  $z \geq y$ .

**answer 2:** Let  $x$  be some constant  $x_0$ , such that  $y < x_0$  for all  $y$ . Since this  $y$  can be any of all the numbers in  $\mathbb{R}$ , say  $y \geq x_0$ , the statement  $y < x_0$  is not true. Given a conjunction of a false statement and any other statement, the conjunction is false. Since this statement is the negation of the original statement and false, the original statement must be true.

- question (3,a)
  1. Suppose that  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $B = \{4, 5\}$ , and  $C = \{6, 7, 8\}$ . Let  $R$  be the relation on  $A \times C$  given by  $\{(1, 7), (3, 6), (3, 7)\}$  and  $S$  by the relation on  $B \times C$  given by  $\{(4, 7), (4, 8), (5, 6)\}$ . Find  $S^{-1} \circ R$ .
  2. Given  $R$  a relation on  $A \times B$  and  $S$  a relation on  $B \times C$ , prove that  $(S \circ R)^{-1} = R^{-1} \circ S^{-1}$ .
  3. Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are non-empty sets. Prove that  $A \times B = B \times A$  if and only if  $A = B$ .

**answer 1:** Since  $S$  is defined, and  $S^{-1} = \{(c, b) \in C \times B \mid (b, c) \in S\}$ ,  $S^{-1} = \{(7, 4), (8, 4), (6, 5)\}$ . Then,  $S^{-1} \circ R = \{(7, 4), (8, 4), (6, 5)\} \circ \{(1, 7), (3, 6), (3, 7)\}$ . This can be simplified to  $S^{-1} \circ R = \{(1, 4), (3, 5), (3, 4)\}$ .

**answer 2:** Consider  $a \in A$ ,  $b \in B$ , and  $c \in C$ .  $S \circ R$  is a relation such that  $(a, c) \in S \circ R \subseteq A \times C$ . Thus,  $(S \circ R)^{-1} = \{(c, a) \in C \times A \mid (a, c) \in S \circ R\}$ .

Given  $(a, b) \in R$ , by definition of Inverse  $R^{-1} = \{(b, a) \in B \times A \mid (a, b) \in R\}$ . Given  $(b, c) \in S$ , by definition of Inverse  $S^{-1} = \{(c, b) \in C \times B \mid (b, c) \in S\}$ . Then,  $R^{-1} \circ S^{-1} = \{(c, a) \in C \times A \mid \exists b \in B \ni (a, b) \in R \wedge (b, c) \in S\}$ . However, this is the same as  $R^{-1} \circ S^{-1} = \{(c, a) \in C \times A \mid (a, c) \in S \circ R\}$ , by the definition of Cartesian Product.

Thus, since  $(S \circ R)^{-1}$  and  $R^{-1} \circ S^{-1}$  have the same definitions, it must be that  $(S \circ R)^{-1} = R^{-1} \circ S^{-1}$ .

**answer 3:** ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $A = B$ . It must be that  $A \times B = B \times A$ , as having both leads to  $B \times B = B \times B$  or  $A \times A = A \times A$  which are true.

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $A \times B = B \times A$ , and remember  $A$  and  $B$  are non-empty sets. By definition,  $A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \wedge b \in B\}$ . Just as well, by definition,  $B \times A = \{(b, a) \mid a \in A \wedge b \in B\}$ . Having this implies that for every  $(a, b) \in A \times B$  and the corresponding  $(b, a) \in B \times A$ ,  $(a, b) = (b, a)$ . Thus,  $A = B$ .

In sum, this means  $A \times B = B \times A$  if and only if  $A = B$ .

- question (4, a) Prove which one is true and which one is false.

– For all subsets  $S$  and  $T$  of a universal set  $U$ , we have  $U \setminus (S \setminus T) \subseteq (U \setminus S) \cup T$ .

– For all subsets  $S$  and  $T$  of a universal set  $U$ , we have  $U \setminus (S \setminus T) \subseteq (U \setminus S) \cap T$ .

**answer:** The first statement to consider,  $U \setminus S$ , has definition  $U \setminus S = \{u \in U \mid u \notin S\}$ . Then  $(U \setminus S) \cup T = \{u \in U \mid u \notin S\} \cup \{u \in T\}$ . Which is to say that  $u \in U$ ,  $u \notin S$ , and  $u \in T$ , so that  $(U \setminus S) \cup T = \{u \mid u \in U \wedge u \notin S \wedge u \in T\}$ .

Consider the next statement A, in particular  $U \setminus (S \setminus T)$ . By definition  $S \setminus T = \{u \in S \mid u \notin T\}$ . By definition, again,  $U \setminus (S \setminus T) = \{u \in U \mid u \notin (S \setminus T)\}$ , that is  $U \setminus (S \setminus T) = \{u \in U \mid u \notin S \wedge u \in T\}$ . Which is to say that  $u \in U$ ,  $u \notin S$ , and  $u \in T$ , so that  $U \setminus (S \setminus T) = \{u \mid u \in U \wedge u \notin S \wedge u \in T\}$ .

Thus, statement A,  $U \setminus (S \setminus T) \subseteq (U \setminus S) \cup T$ , is the true statement.

- question (4, b) Give a counterexample to the false statement, where  $U = \mathbb{R}$ , and  $S$  and  $T$  are open interval in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**answer:** Let subset  $S = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x > 1\}$ , and  $T = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x < 1\}$ .  $S$  and  $T$  are disjoint, meaning  $U \setminus (S \setminus T) = U \setminus S$ . So, we have  $U \setminus S \subseteq (U \setminus S) \cap T$ . By definition of set intersection,  $(U \setminus S) \cap T = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \in (U \setminus S) \wedge x \in T\}$ , where  $U \setminus S = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \in U \wedge x \notin S\}$ . Here, we have  $U \setminus S = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \leq 1\}$ , and  $(U \setminus S) \cap T = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \leq 1 \wedge x < 1\}$  which is  $(U \setminus S) \cap T = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x < 1\}$ . Just as well, it can be seen that  $U \setminus (S \setminus T) \supseteq (U \setminus S) \cap T$ , which is sort of the opposite of the statement B.

- question (5) Prove that, for all integers  $p$  and  $q$ , if  $pq$  is an even integer, then  $p$  is an even integer or  $q$  is an even integer.

**answer:** Consider the contrapositive of the predicate in the statement: For all integers  $p$  and  $q$ , if  $p$  is an odd integer and  $q$  is an odd integer, then  $pq$  is an odd integer. Let  $p = 2k - 1$  and  $q = 2k - 1$ , for integers  $k$ . Then, it is straightforward that  $pq = (2k - 1)(2k - 1) =$



$4k^2 - 4k + 1 = 2(2k^2 - 2k) + 1 = 2j + 1$  for some integer  $j = 2k^2 - 2k$  and is therefore odd. Thus, "for all integers  $p$  and  $q$ , if  $p$  and  $q$  are odd integers, then  $pq$  is an odd integer" being true means that its contrapositive is true, i.e. "for all integers  $p$  and  $q$ , if  $pq$  is an even integer, then  $p$  is an even integer or  $q$  is an even integer" is true.

## 2 Midterm two

### 2.1 The Real Numbers

**Definition 1.** Well-ordering property of  $\mathbb{N}$  If  $S$  is a nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ , then there exists an element  $m \in S$  such that  $m \leq k$  for all  $k \in S$ .

**Definition 2.** Mathematical Induction A technique of mathematical proof.

1.  $P(1)$  is true
2. Whenever  $P(k)$  is true, for some number  $k$ , then  $P(k + 1)$  is true.
3. Proof by contradiction :: Given statements  $P(n)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Show if we have properties 1) and 2), then  $P(n)$  holds for all  $n$ . Suppose  $P(n)$  false for some  $n$ . Let  $F = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : P(n) \text{ false}\}$ .  $F$  is non-empty by assumption, so by well-ordering principle it has a least element, say  $n_0 \neq 1$ . Consider  $n_0 - 1$ , a natural number, so that  $P(n_0 - 1)$  is true, since otherwise  $n_0$  wasn't the smallest element of  $F$ .

*Slight Generalization:* — want to prove  $p(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ , then prove:

1.  $p(n_0)$  is true.
2. if  $p(k)$  is true for  $k$ , then  $p(k + 1)$  is true with  $k \geq n_0$

#### 2.1.1 Examples

- Example: For which  $n$  is  $n! > n^n$ ?

Expect  $n! > n^n$  if  $n \geq 4$ . (i.e. for all  $n \geq 4$ ).

Base case: True if  $n_0 = 4$  since  $24 > 16$ . Suppose  $k! > 2^k$ .

Inductive step: Show:  $(k + 1)! > 2^{k+1}$ . Easy:

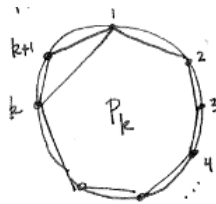
$$k! > 2^k \Rightarrow (k + 1)! > 2^k(k + 1) > 2^{k+1}$$

since  $k + 1 > 2$  if  $k \geq 4$ .

- Example: For  $n \geq 3$ , if we connect  $n$  points on circle  $w$  with straight line segments, the interior angles of the resulting polygon add up to  $(n - 2) \cdot 180$ .

Base case:  $n = 3$ . Angles of triangle add up to  $180^\circ$ .

Inductive Step: Suppose true for  $k$ . Prove true for  $k+1$ . By hypothesis,  $P_k$  has interior angles  $(k - 2) \cdot 180$  deg. Triangle  $P_{k+1}$  has interior angles defined to be the sum of the  $p_k$  angles and the triangle with vertices  $k, k + 1, 1$ . That is  $(k - 2) \cdot 180 \text{ deg} + 180 \text{ deg} = ((k + 1) - 2) \cdot 180 \text{ deg}$ . ✓.



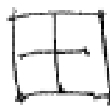
Imagine, any number of edges  $k$ , where the first edge is named 1. One could simply add another  $k + 1$  edge to the list.

- Example: Prove that any  $2^n \times 2^n$  grid of squares with any one square removed can be tiled with  $L$ -shaped tiles.

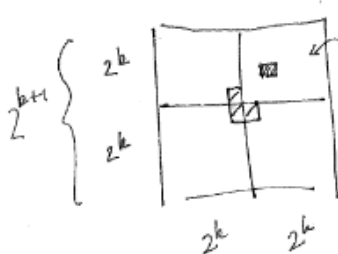


$\Leftarrow L$ -shaped tiles

Removing any box results in the remaining boxes being an  $L$ -shaped tile.



$\Leftarrow box$



A large block can be covered by  $L$ -shapes by hypothesis. What about other 3 blocks?  
Inductive hypothesis doesn't apply to grid  $2^k \times 2^k$  without removing a square. Meaning without removing one atomic box.

Solution: consider removing a single  $L$  instead, taking away a box from three quadrants. It is an equivalent procedure.

## 2.2 Ordered Fields

**Definition 3.** Axioms of an Ordered Field We begin by assuming the existence of a set  $\mathbb{R}$ , called the set of real numbers, and two operations “+” and “·”, called addition and multiplication, such that the following properties apply :—

A1. For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x + y \in \mathbb{R}$  and if  $x = w$  and  $y = z$ , then  $x + y = w + z$ .

- A2. For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x + y = y + x$ .
- A3. For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$ .
- A4. There is a unique real number 0 such that  $x + 0 = x$ , for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- A5. For each  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  there is a unique real number  $-x$  such that  $x + (-x) = 0$ .
- M1. For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \cdot y \in \mathbb{R}$  and if  $x = w$  and  $y = z$ , then  $x \cdot y = w \cdot z$ .
- M2. For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \cdot y = y \cdot x$ .
- M3. For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \cdot (y \cdot z) = (x \cdot y) \cdot z$ .
- M4. There is a unique real number 1 such that  $1 \neq 0$  and  $x \cdot 1 = x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- M5. For each  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $x \neq 0$ , there is a unique real number  $1/x$  such that  $x \cdot (1/x) = 1$ . We also write  $x^{-1}$  or  $\frac{1}{x}$  in place of  $1/x$ .
- DL. For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \cdot (y + z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z$ .

**Remark.** These first 11 axioms are called the field axioms because they describe a system known as a field in the study of abstract algebra. Axioms A2 and M2 are called the **commutative laws** and axioms A3 and M3 are the **associative laws**. Axiom DL is the **distributive law** that shows how addition and multiplication relate to each other. Because of A1 and M1, we can think of addition and multiplication as functions that map  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  into  $\mathbb{R}$ . When writing multiplication we often omit the raised dot and write  $xy$  instead of  $x \cdot y$ .

In addition to the field axioms, the real numbers also satisfy four order axioms.

- O1. For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , exactly one of the relations  $x = y$ ,  $x > y$ , or  $x < y$  holds (**trichotomy law**).
- O2. For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ , if  $x < y$  and  $y < z$ , then  $x < z$ .
- O3. For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ , if  $x < y$ , then  $x + z < y + z$ .
- O4. For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ , if  $x < y$  and  $z > 0$ , then  $xz < yz$ .

**Definition 4.** Absolute Value If  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , then the absolute value of  $x$ , denoted by  $|x|$ , is defined by :—

$$|x| = \begin{cases} x, & \text{if } x \geq 0, \\ -x, & \text{if } x \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  and let  $a \geq 0$ . Then

- (a)  $|x| \geq 0$ ,
- (b)  $|x| \leq a$  iff  $-a \leq x \leq a$ ,
- (c)  $|xy| = |x| \cdot |y|$ ,

$$(d) \quad |x + y| \leq |x| + |y|.$$

**Remark.** Part (d) of **Def 4** is referred to as the ***triangle inequality***, and has other forms. For example, letting  $x = a - c$  and  $y = c - b$ , we obtain

$$|a - b| \leq |a - c| + |c - b|$$

## 2.3 Completeness Axiom

**Definition 5.** Irrational. Let  $p$  be a prime number. Then  $\sqrt{p}$  is not a rational number.

**Definition 6.** Bounds. Let  $S$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . If there exists a real number  $m$  such that  $m \geq s$  for all  $s \in S$ , then  $m$  is called an ***upper bound*** of  $S$ , and we say that  $S$  is bounded above. If  $m \leq s$  for all  $s \in S$ , then  $m$  is a ***lower bound*** of  $S$  and  $S$  is bounded below. The set  $S$  is said to be ***bounded*** if it is bounded above and bounded below.

**Definition 7.** Maximum and Minimum. If an upper bound  $m$  of  $S$  is a member of  $S$ , then  $m$  is called the maximum (or largest element) of  $S$ , and we write

$$m = \max S.$$

Similarly, if a lower bound of  $S$  is a member of  $S$ , then it is called the ***minimum*** (or least element) of  $S$ , denoted by

$$m = \min S.$$

**Definition 8.** Supremum and Infimum. Let  $S$  be a nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . If  $S$  is bounded above, then the least upper bound of  $S$  is called its ***supremum*** and is denoted by  $\sup S$ . Thus  $m = \sup S$  iff

1.  $m \geq s$ , for all  $s \in S$ , and
2. if  $m' < m$ , then there exists  $s' \in S$  such that  $s' > m'$ .

If  $S$  is bounded below, then the greatest lower bound of  $S$  is called its ***infimum*** and is denoted by  $\inf S$ , so  $m = \inf S$ .

**Definition 9.** Completeness Axiom. Every nonempty subset  $S$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  that is bounded above has a least upper bound. That is,  $\sup S$  exists and is a real number.

**Definition 10.** Archimedean Property of  $\mathbb{R}$ . The set  $\mathbb{N}$  of natural numbers is unbounded above in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Definition 11.** Density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ . If  $x$  and  $y$  are real numbers with  $x < y$ , then there exists a rational number  $r$  such that  $x < r < y$ .

## 2.4 Boundaries

**Definition 12.** Neighborhood. Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . A **neighborhood** of  $x$  (or an  $\varepsilon$ -**neighborhood** of  $x$ ) is a set of the form  $N(x; \varepsilon) = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : |x - y| < \varepsilon\}$ .

**Remark.** The professor uses the notation:

$$N_\varepsilon(x) = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : |x - y| < \varepsilon\},$$

which is probably nicer.

**Definition 13.** Deleted Neighborhood. Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . A **deleted neighborhood** of  $x$  is a set of the form  $N^*(x; \varepsilon) = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : 0 < |x - y| < \varepsilon\}$ . Clearly,  $N^*(x; \varepsilon) = N(x; \varepsilon) \setminus \{x\}$

**Remark.** The professor uses the notation:

$$N_\varepsilon^*(x) = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : 0 < |x - y| < \varepsilon\},$$

which is probably nicer.

**Definition 14.** Open and Closed Sets. Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . If  $\text{bd } S \subseteq S$ , then  $S$  is said to be **closed**. If  $\text{bd } S \subseteq \mathbb{R} \setminus S$ , then  $S$  is said to be **open**.

## 2.5 Theorem

- The union of open sets is open.
- The intersection of finitely-many open sets is open.

### 2.5.1 Section 3.3

## 3 Midterm three

### 3.1 Topology of the Real Numbers

Every bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence.

- If  $\{s_n\}$  bounded, then
  1. for every  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N} \ni s_n < m + \varepsilon$  when  $n \geq N$ . (Else there are infinitely many  $s_n \geq m + \varepsilon$ , so there can't be a  $\lim \sup$ .)
  2. for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\forall i \in \mathbb{N}, \exists k > i$  with  $s_k > m - \varepsilon$ . (There are infinitely many  $s_k \in (m - \varepsilon, m + \varepsilon)$ , else  $m - \varepsilon$  is upper bound for all limits of subsequences.)

**Definition 15.** Open and Closed Sets. Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . If  $\text{bd } S \subseteq S$ , then  $S$  is said to be **closed**. If  $\text{bd } S \subseteq \mathbb{R} \setminus S$ , then  $S$  is said to be **open**.

$S$  is closed  $\iff S$  contains all of its accumulation points  $\iff$  its complement  $\mathbb{R} \setminus S$  is open  $\iff S = \text{cl } S$ .

A set  $S$  is open  $\iff S = \text{int } S \iff$  every point in  $S$  is an interior point of  $S$ .

**Definition 16.** Interior Point and Boundary Point. Let  $S$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . A point  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  is an **interior point** of  $S$  if there exists a neighborhood  $N$  of  $x$  such that  $N \subseteq S$ . If for every neighborhood  $N$  of  $x$ ,  $N \cap S \neq \emptyset$  and  $N \cap (\mathbb{R} \setminus S) \neq \emptyset$ , then  $x$  is called a **boundary point** of  $S$ . The set of all interior points of  $S$  is denoted by  $\text{int } S$ , and the set of all boundary points of  $S$  is denoted by  $\text{bd } S$ .

**Definition 17.** Accumulation Points. Let  $S$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . A point  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  is an **accumulation point** of  $S$  if every deleted neighborhood of  $x$  contains a point of  $S$ . That is, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $N^*(x, \varepsilon) \cap S \neq \emptyset$ . The set of all accumulation points of  $S$  is denoted by  $S'$ . If  $x \in S$  and  $x \notin S'$ , then  $x$  is called an **isolated point** of  $S$ .

**Definition 18.** Closure. Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Then the closure of  $S$ , denoted  $\text{cl } S$ , is defined by

$$\text{cl } S = S \cup S',$$

where  $S'$  is the set of all accumulation points of  $S$ .

Also,

$$\text{cl } S = S \cup \text{bd } S.$$

### 3.2 Compact Sets

**Definition 19.** Compact, Open Cover, and Subcover. A set  $S$  is said to be **compact** if whenever it is contained in the union of a family  $\mathcal{F}$  of open sets, it is contained in the union of some finite number of the sets in  $\mathcal{F}$ . If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a family of open sets whose union contains  $S$ , then  $\mathcal{F}$  is called an **open cover** of  $S$ . If  $\mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  is also an open cover of  $S$ , then  $\mathcal{G}$  is called a **subcover** of  $S$ .

**Corollary.**  $S$  is compact  $\xLeftrightarrow{\text{Heine-Borel}} S$  is closed and bounded  $\iff$  every infinite subset of  $S$  has an accumulation point in  $S$ .

$S$  is a nonempty closed bounded subset of  $\mathbb{R} \Rightarrow S$  has a maximum and a minimum.

**Definition 20.** Heine–Borel. A subset  $S$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  is compact iff  $S$  is closed and bounded.

**Definition 21.** Bolzano–Weierstrass. If a bounded subset  $S$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  contains infinitely many points, then there exists at least one point in  $\mathbb{R}$  that is an accumulation point of  $S$ .

### 3.3 Sequences

**Definition 22.** Sequence. A sequence  $S$  is a function whose domain is the set  $\mathbb{N}$  of natural numbers. Denoted by its value of  $n$  at  $s_n$  instead of  $S(n)$  or by listing its values  $(s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots)$ .  $s_n$  is the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of the sequence.

**Definition 23.** Convergence, Divergence, Limit. A sequence  $(s_n)$  is said to **converge** to the real number  $s$  provided that

for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a natural number  $N$  such that for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq N$  implies that  $|s_n - s| < \varepsilon$ .

If  $(s_n)$  converges to  $s$ , then  $s$  is called the **limit** of the sequence  $(s_n)$ , and we write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = s$ ,  $\lim s_n = s$ , or  $s_n \rightarrow s$ . If a sequence does not converge to a real number, it is said to **diverge**.

**Definition 24.** Subsequence. Let  $(s_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence and let  $(n_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}$  be any sequence of natural numbers such that  $n_1 < n_2 < \dots$ . The sequence  $(s_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$  is called a **subsequence** of  $(s_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ .

**Definition 25.** Limit Superior and Limit Inferior. Let  $(s_n)$  be a bounded sequence. A **subsequential limit** of  $(s_n)$  is any real number that is the limit of some subsequence of  $(s_n)$ . If  $S$  is the set of all subsequential limits of  $(s_n)$ , then we define the **limit superior** (or **upper limit**) of  $(s_n)$  to be

$$\limsup s_n = \sup S.$$

Similarly, we define the **limit inferior** (or **lower limit**) of  $(s_n)$  to be

$$\liminf s_n = \inf S.$$

**Definition 26.** Bounded Sequence. A sequence  $(s_n)$  is said to be **bounded** if the range  $\{s_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a bounded set, that is, if there exists an  $M \geq 0$  such that  $|s_n| \leq M$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Every convergent sequence is bounded.

If a sequence converges, its limit is unique.

Every bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence.

### 3.4 Limit Theorem

**Definition 27.** Limit Theorems.

1.  $\lim (s_n + t_n) = s + t$
2.  $\lim (ks_n) = ks$  and  $\lim (k + s_n) = k + s$ , for any  $k \in \mathbb{R}$
3.  $\lim (s_n t_n) = st$
4.  $\lim (s_n/t_n) = s/t$ , provided that  $t_n \neq 0$  for all  $n$  and  $t \neq 0$

**Definition 28.** Lesser Convergence. Suppose that  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  are convergent sequences with  $\lim s_n = s$ , and  $\lim t_n = t$ . If  $s_n \leq t_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $s \leq t$ .

**Corollary.** If  $(t_n)$  converges to  $t$  and  $t_n \geq 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $t \geq 0$ .

**Definition 29.** Ratio Convergence. Suppose that  $(s_n)$  is a sequence of positive terms and that the sequence of ratios  $(s_{n+1}/s_n)$  converges to  $L$ . If  $L < 1$ , then  $\lim s_n = 0$ .

**Definition 30.** Divergence. A sequence  $(s_n)$  is said to **diverge to**  $+\infty$ , and we write  $\lim s_n = +\infty$  provided that

for every  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  there exists a natural number  $N$  such that  $n \geq N$  implies that  $s_n > M$ .

A sequence  $(s_n)$  is said to **diverge to**  $-\infty$ , and we write  $\lim s_n = -\infty$  provided that

for every  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  there exists a natural number  $N$  such that  $n \geq N$  implies that  $s_n < M$ .

**Definition 31.** Greater Divergence. Suppose that  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  are sequences such that  $s_n \leq t_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

1. If  $\lim s_n = +\infty$ , then  $\lim t_n = +\infty$ .

2. If  $\lim t_n = -\infty$ , then  $\lim s_n = -\infty$ .

**Definition 32.** Inverse of Divergence. Let  $(s_n)$  be a sequence of positive numbers. Then  $\lim s_n = +\infty \iff \lim (1/s_n) = 0$ .

### 3.5 Monotone Sequences and Cauchy Sequences

**Definition 33.** Monotone Sequences. A sequence  $(s_n)$  of real numbers is *increasing* if  $s_n \leq s_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and is *decreasing* if  $s_n \geq s_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . A sequence is *monotone* if it is increasing or decreasing.

**Definition 34.** Monotone Convergence Theorem A monotone sequence is convergent  $\iff$  it is bounded.

**Definition 35.** Cauchy Sequence If, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $m, n \geq N$  then  $|s_n - s_m| < \varepsilon$ .

Every convergent sequence is *Cauchy*.

If  $(s_n)$  is a *Cauchy* sequence, then  $(s_n)$  converges.

*Proof.* Given any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , choose  $N$  such that  $|s_n - s| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$  if  $n \geq N$  (which is possible to do since  $s_n \rightarrow s$ ). Then  $|s_n - s_m| = |s_n - s + s - s_m|$  because adding and subtracting by the limit is the same as doing nothing, and, by the triangle inequality,  $|s_n - s + s - s_m| \leq |s_n - s| + |s_m - s| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon$ . ■