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Supplementary Exercise 2

Set Notations

1. Describe the elements in the following sets.

- (a) $\{2, 4\}$;
- (b) $(2, 4)$;
- (c) $[2, 4]$.

2. Describe the elements in the following sets.

- (a) $\mathbb{R} \setminus [2, 4]$;
- (b) $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{2, 4\}$;
- (c) $(-\infty, 2) \cup (4, \infty)$;
- (d) $\mathbb{Z}^+ \cap (5, \infty)$;
- (e) $\mathbb{Z}^+ \cap [5, \infty)$.

Remark: Here we use \mathbb{Z} to denote the set of all integers and \mathbb{Z}^+ to denote the set of all positive integers.

3. Describe the elements in the following sets.

- (a) $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \geq 3\}$;
- (b) $\{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ : n \geq 3\}$;
- (c) $\{m \in \mathbb{Z} : -5 < m < 5\}$;
- (d) $\{2m - 1 : m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$;
- (e) $\{3n : n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$.

4. Using set notations to describe the following sets.

- (a) the set of all real numbers except -1 and 1;
- (b) the set of all positive real numbers x such that $x < 1$ or $x > 6$;
- (c) the set of all positive even integers;
- (d) the set of all integers which are divisible by 5.

(Remark: The way of describing a set is not unique.)

Functions

5. Describe the domain and range of each of the following functions.

- (a) $f(x) = \sqrt{x-1}$;
- (b) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$;
- (c) $g(x) = \sin x$;
- (d) $g(x) = 2 + 3 \cos x^2$;
- (e) $h(x) = \log_2 x$;
- (f) $h(x) = 3^x$.

6. Describe the domain of each of the following functions.

- (a) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 4x - 12}$;
- (b) $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4 - x^2}}$;

7. Consider the following functions:

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = x + 5.$$

Find the formulas explicitly describing $f + g$, fg , $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$; and state the domains of the functions. Furthermore, state the range of $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$.

8. Consider the function $f(x)$ defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 1 & \text{if } x \geq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

Find the value of $f(-1)$, $f(0)$ and $f(1)$.

9. Consider the function $f(x)$ defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{x} & \text{if } x \geq 4, \\ \frac{1}{x-4} & \text{if } x < 4. \end{cases}$$

Find the value of $f(0)$, $f(4)$ and $f(9)$.

10. Fill in the blanks.

(a) Consider the function $f(x) = |x|$. The function can be described explicitly by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \underline{\hspace{2cm}} & \text{if } x \geq 0, \\ \underline{\hspace{2cm}} & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

(b) Consider the function $f(x) = |x^2 - 9|$. The function can be described explicitly by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \underline{\hspace{2cm}} & \text{if } x \geq 3, \\ \underline{\hspace{2cm}} & \text{if } -3 < x < 3, \\ \underline{\hspace{2cm}} & \text{if } x \leq -3 \end{cases}$$

Graphs of Functions

11. Sketch the graph of $y = f(x) = a^x$ if

- (a) $a > 1$;
- (b) $a = 1$;
- (c) $0 < a < 1$.

12. Let $f(x) = e^x$. Sketch the graphs of the following functions.

- (a) $y = 3f(x)$;
- (b) $y = -3f(x)$;
- (c) $y = f(x + 3)$;
- (d) $y = f(x - 3)$;
- (e) $y = f(x) + 3$;
- (f) $y = f(x) - 3$;
- (g) $y = f(3x)$.

(Remark: What is the relation between each of the graph and the graph of $f(x)$?)

Summation Notation

13. Write down the expansion of the following expressions.

(e.g.) $\sum_{i=1}^5 i^2 = 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2$;

(a) $\sum_{i=1}^4 (2i + 3)^2$;

(b) $\sum_{i=2}^5 (i^2 + 3)$;

(c) $\sum_{r=0}^5 2^r$;

(d) $\sum_{r=0}^7 \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^r$.

14. Write down the expansion of the following expressions.

(e.g.) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1 + x + x^2 + \cdots + x^n + \cdots$;

(a) $\sum_{i=5}^n \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^i$;

$$(b) \sum_{r=0}^4 \frac{x^r}{r!};$$

$$(c) \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} (-1)^r \frac{x^{2r+1}}{(2r+1)!};$$

(Recall: If n is a positive integer, $n! = 1 \times 2 \times 3 \times \cdots \times n$ and we define $0! = 1$.)

$$(d) \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \frac{x^{2r}}{(2r)!};$$

$$(e) \sum_{r=1}^3 \frac{1}{r^2} \sin rx;$$

$$(f) \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{(-1)^r}{r!} \cos(2r+1)x.$$

Parametrized Curves

15. Let $(x(t), y(t)) = (\cos t, \sin t)$, for $t \in \mathbb{R}$, be a curve defined on \mathbb{R}^2 .

(a) Write down the equation of the curve in x and y only.

(b) What is the curve?

16. Let $A = (x_1, y_1)$ and $B = (x_2, y_2)$ be two distinct points on \mathbb{R}^2 .

Let $(x(t), y(t)) = t(x_2, y_2) + (1-t)(x_1, y_1) = (x_1 + t(x_2 - x_1), y_1 + t(y_2 - y_1))$, for $t \in [0, 1]$, be a curve defined on \mathbb{R}^2 .

(a) Find the endpoints $(x(0), y(0))$ and $(x(1), y(1))$ of the curve.

(b) Write down the equation of the curve in x and y only.

(c) What is the curve?

17. Let $(x(t), y(t)) = (3 \cos t - 2, 3 \sin t + 1)$, for $t \in \mathbb{R}$, be a curve defined on \mathbb{R}^2 .

(a) Write down the equation of the curve in x and y only.

(b) What is the curve?

18. Let $(x(t), y(t)) = (t^2, t^3)$, for $t \in \mathbb{R}$, be a curve defined on \mathbb{R}^2 . Write down the equation of the curve in x and y only.

19. Let $(x(t), y(t)) = (a \cos t, b \sin t)$, for $t \in \mathbb{R}$, $a, b > 0$, be a curve defined on \mathbb{R}^2 . Write down the equation of the curve in x and y only.

Sequences

20. A sequence $\{a_n\}$ is defined recursively by the following equations:

$$\begin{cases} a_1 = 2 \\ a_{n+1} = a_n^2 + 1 \text{ for } n \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Find the first 4 terms of the sequence.

21. A sequence $\{a_n\}$ is defined recursively by the following equations:

$$\begin{cases} a_1 = 1 \text{ and } a_2 = 2 \\ a_n = 2a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} \text{ for } n \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

Find a_4 .

22. Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence defined by $a_n = \frac{2n+1}{n+3}$ for any positive integer n .

Complete the following table.

n	10	100	1000	10000
a_n				

By observation, when n is getting bigger and bigger, what value does a_n get closer and closer to? Hence, guess the value of $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$.

23. For each of the following sequences, find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$, if it exists.

(a) $a_n = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n$;

(b) $a_n = (-1)^n$;

(c) $a_n = 3^n$;

(d) $a_n = \frac{n^2 - n + 3}{3n^2 + 2n}$;

(e) $a_n = \frac{6n + 3}{2n^2 + 9n - 5}$;

(f) $a_n = \frac{n^2 + n}{n + 7}$;

(g) $a_n = \frac{\sqrt{4n^2 + 3}}{2n + 7}$;

(h) $a_n = \cos \frac{n\pi}{2}$;

(i) $a_n = \frac{\sin n}{n}$. (Hint: Use the sandwich theorem.)

24. Prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin n + 100}{2n + (-1)^n} = 0$.

25. (Challenge) Let $\alpha > 0$. Prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\alpha^n}{n!} = 0$.