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1. (a) Find the supremum and infimum of the following sets, if they exist. If either one does not exist, explain why.

$$A = \left\{ (-1)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) : n \in \mathbb{N} \right\} \quad B = \left\{ \sin \frac{1}{x} : x \in (0, 1] \right\}$$

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- (b) Let $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be non-empty and suppose $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are bounded functions.

- i. Prove that $\sup[(f + g)(D)] \leq \sup[f(D)] + \sup[g(D)]$.

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- ii. Give an example to show that the above inequality may be strict.

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2. (a) For any non-empty subset $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, prove that $\partial A = \overline{A} \setminus A^\circ$, where ∂A denotes the boundary of A , A° denotes the interior of A and \overline{A} denotes the closure of A .

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- (b) Give an example of a set $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ that has a limit point but does not contain a limit point.

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- (c) Prove that a closed subset of a compact set is compact.

- [10] 3. Prove that a point x is a limit point of a set $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ if and only if there exists a sequence (x_n) of points in $S \setminus \{x\}$ such that $\lim x_n = x$.

- [4] 4. (a) Suppose $I_n = [a_n, b_n]$ is a nested sequence of intervals; that is, $I_{n+1} \subseteq I_n$ for all n .
Prove that $\lim a_n$ and $\lim b_n$ both exist.

- [6] (b) Prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{n} = 1$.

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5. (a) Define $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 + 6 & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 5x & \text{if } x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$. Prove that f is continuous at $x = 2$.

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- (b) Use the $\epsilon - \delta$ definition to prove that $f(x) = x^2 + 4$ is uniformly continuous on the interval $[1, 3]$.

[6] 6. (a) Prove that any polynomial of odd degree has at least one real root.

[4] (b) Prove that if f is uniformly continuous on an interval (a, b) , then f is bounded on (a, b) .

- [5] 7. (a) Suppose that f and g are differentiable functions such that $f(a) = g(a)$ and $f'(x) < g'(x)$ for all $x \geq a$. Prove that $f(x) < g(x)$ for all $x \geq a$.

- [5] (b) Prove that if $n \geq 1$, then $(1 + x)^n > 1 + nx$ for $x > 0$.

- [5] 8. (a) Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$. Prove that f is differentiable at $x = 0$ and give a formula for $f'(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

- [5] (b) Prove that $f(x) = x^3 + 3x$ has exactly one root.

- [10] 9. Suppose that f is integrable on $[a, b]$ and that $[c, d] \subseteq [a, b]$. Prove that f is integrable on $[c, d]$.

10. Find a function g such that

[3] (a) $\int_0^x tg(t) dt = x + x^2$

[3] (b) $\int_0^{x^2} tg(t) dt = x + x^2$

[4] (c) Suppose that f is a differentiable function with $f(0) = 0$ and $0 < f' \leq 1$. Prove that for all $x \geq 0$ we have

$$\int_0^x f^3 \leq \left(\int_0^x f \right)^2.$$