

1. (a) Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Let  $x$  and  $y$  be real numbers such that  $|x - 1| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  and  $|y - 2| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Prove that  $|x - y| < \epsilon + 1$ .

**Proof:** By expanding the absolute value, we have  $|x - 1| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \implies -\frac{\epsilon}{2} < x - 1 < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \implies 1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < x < 1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Similarly, we also have  $2 - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < y < 2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ , which implies  $-2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2} > -y > -2 - \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Then, we can add the two inequalities as follows:  $(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2}) + (-2 - \frac{\epsilon}{2}) < x + (-y) < (1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2}) + (-2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2})$ , which simplifies to  $-\epsilon - 1 < x - y < \epsilon - 1$ . Since  $\epsilon + 1 > \epsilon - 1$ ,  $-\epsilon - 1 < x - y < \epsilon + 1$ , therefore  $|x - y| < \epsilon + 1$ .

- (b) Let  $x$  be a real number such that  $|x| \leq \frac{3}{4}$  and  $|x - 1| \leq \frac{3}{4}$ . Prove that  $|x - \frac{1}{2}| \leq \frac{1}{4}$ .

**Proof:** Again by expanding the absolute values, we have  $-\frac{3}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{3}{4}$  and  $1 - \frac{3}{4} \leq x \leq 1 + \frac{3}{4} \implies \frac{1}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{7}{4}$ . By combining the two inequalities and taking the tighter bounds, we have  $\frac{1}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{3}{4}$ . Then, we can subtract  $\frac{1}{2}$  from the inequality to obtain  $-\frac{1}{4} \leq x - \frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{1}{4}$ ; therefore  $|x - \frac{1}{2}| \leq \frac{1}{4}$ .

2. Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be nonempty and bounded above. Let  $T = \{2x + 1 : x \in S\}$ . Prove that  $\sup T$  exists and that

$$\sup T = 2 \cdot \sup S + 1.$$

**Proof:** Since  $\sup S \geq x$  for all  $x \in S$  by definition of supremum,  $2 \cdot \sup S + 1 \geq 2x + 1 \in T$ . Therefore  $2 \cdot \sup S + 1$  is an upper bound of  $T$ , so  $T$  is bounded above and  $\sup T$  exists. Then, since  $2 \cdot \sup S + 1$  is an upper bound and  $\sup T$  exists, we have  $\sup T \leq 2 \cdot \sup S + 1$ .

Now suppose  $\sup T < 2 \cdot \sup S + 1$ ; then there must exist an  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $\sup T < r < 2 \cdot \sup S + 1$  since  $\mathbb{Q}$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then, since  $\sup T > 2x + 1$  for all  $x \in S$ , we also have  $2 \cdot \sup S + 1 > r > \sup T > 2x + 1$ . By subtracting 1 and dividing by 2, the previous expression gives us  $\sup S > \frac{r-1}{2} > x$  for  $x \in S$ , which implies that  $\frac{r-1}{2}$  is an upper bound of  $S$  while being strictly less than the supremum of the set. This cannot happen by definition of supremum, therefore  $\sup T \not< 2 \cdot \sup S + 1$ .

Combining  $\sup T \leq 2 \cdot \sup S + 1$  and  $\sup T \not< 2 \cdot \sup S + 1$  gives us  $\sup T = 2 \cdot \sup S + 1$ .

3. Let  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  be convergent sequences of real numbers. Suppose  $\lim s_n = \lim t_n + 1$ . Prove there exists  $N$  such that  $s_n - t_n > \frac{1}{2}$  for all  $n > N$ .

**Proof:** Let  $s = \lim s_n$  and  $t = \lim t_n$ , also let  $\frac{1}{4} \geq \epsilon > 0$ . By definition of convergence, there exists an  $N_s$  such that  $n > N_s \implies |s_n - s| < \epsilon \implies s - \epsilon < s_n < s + \epsilon$ ; similarly, there exists an  $N_t$  such that  $n > N_t \implies |t_n - t| < \epsilon \implies t - \epsilon < t_n < t + \epsilon$ . Then  $s - \epsilon - t - \epsilon < s_n - t_n < s + \epsilon - t + \epsilon$  which simplifies to  $s - t - 2\epsilon < s_n - t_n < s - t + 2\epsilon$ . Since  $s = t + 1$ , we have  $1 - 2\epsilon < s_n - t_n$  by substitution. Since we selected  $\epsilon \leq \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $N = \max\{N_s, N_t\}$  will guarantee that  $n > N \implies s_n - t_n > \frac{1}{2}$ .

4. Let  $(s_n)$  be a sequence defined by

$$s_n = \frac{2n^2 + 3}{n(5n - 1)}, n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Prove that  $(s_n)$  is convergent and find the value of  $\lim s_n$ .

**Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned}\lim s_n &= \lim \frac{2n^2 + 3}{n(5n + 1)} \\&= \lim \frac{2n^2 + 3}{5n^2 + n} \text{ (Expand denominator)} \\&= \lim \frac{2 + \frac{3}{n^2}}{5 + \frac{1}{n}} \text{ (Multiply by } \frac{1}{n^2}) \\&= \frac{\lim (2 + \frac{3}{n^2})}{\lim (5 + \frac{1}{n})} \text{ (Lemma 22)} \\&= \frac{\lim 2 + \lim \frac{3}{n^2}}{\lim 5 + \lim \frac{1}{n}} \text{ (Sum limit law)} \\&= \frac{2 + 3 \cdot \lim \frac{1}{n^2}}{5 + \lim \frac{1}{n}} \text{ (Theorem 19)} \\&= \frac{2 + 3 \cdot 0}{5 + 0} \text{ (} \lim \frac{1}{n^2} = \lim \frac{1}{n} = 0 \text{ shown in class)} \\&= \frac{2}{5}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $(s_n)$  converges to  $\frac{2}{5}$ .

5. Let  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  be sequences of real numbers. Suppose  $(s_n)$  diverges to  $+\infty$  and that the set

$$\{n \in \mathbb{N} : t_n < s_n\}$$

is finite. Prove that  $(t_n)$  diverges to  $+\infty$ .

**Proof:** Since  $(s_n)$  diverges to  $+\infty$ , there exists an  $N_s$  such that  $n > N_s \implies s_n > M$  for  $M > 0$ . In addition, since the set  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : t_n < s_n\}$  is finite, there exists an  $N_0$  such that  $n > N_0 \implies t_n \geq s_n$ . Then we can select  $N = \max\{N_s, N_0\}$  and we have  $n > N \implies t_n \geq s_n > M$ . Therefore  $n > N \implies t_n > M$  and  $(t_n)$  diverges to  $+\infty$  by definition of divergence.