

Calculus

1. Real Numbers.

1.1.

- a) Find the least and greatest numbers of the following sets: 1) $A = \{2n : n \geq 5\}$
 2) $\{2k^2 + 7 : 8 \geq k \geq 2\}$
 b) We consider $\{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}\}$. Does this set admit a least or greatest element?

1.2. Prove by induction:

- (a) $\sum_{k=1}^n k = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ (c) $\sum_{k=0}^n r^k = \frac{1-r^{n+1}}{1-r}$, si $r \neq 1$
 (b) $\sum_{k=1}^n k^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1)$ (d) $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} \geq 1 + \frac{n}{2}$

Tip: Note that the number of elements of $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n}$ is 2^n and for $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$ it is 2^{n+1} .

- 5) Let $0 < x_0 < 1$ and we define $x_n = x_{n-1} \frac{n}{n+1}$ for $n \geq 1$. Prove that $0 < x_n < 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

1.3. The following properties are true and can be deduced from the axioms of a **complete ordered field**. Prove that:

Using the properties of the sum: a) if $x + y = x + z$, then $y = z$ b) if $x + y = x$, then $y = 0$ c) if $x + y = 0$, then $y = -x$ d) $-(-x) = x$.

Using the properties of the product: we assume that $x \neq 0$, a) if $xy = xz$, then $y = z$ b) if $xy = x$, then $y = 1$ c) if $xy = 1$, then $y = \frac{1}{x}$ d) $\frac{1}{\frac{1}{x}} = x$.

Using the properties of distributivity: a) $0x = 0$ b) if $x \neq 0$ and $y \neq 0$, then $xy \neq 0$. c) $(-x)y = -(xy) = x(-y)$ d) $(-x)(-y) = xy$.

Using the properties of order: a) if $x > 0$, then $(-x) < 0$ b) if $x < 0$ and $y < z$, then $xy > xz$. c) if $x \neq 0$, then $x^2 > 0$ and $1 > 0$. d) if $0 < x < y$, then $0 < 1/y < 1/x$.

1.4. A machine works only with three-digit numbers and is capable of inserting a comma between the digits. Prove that the machine **does not** respect the **associative** property of the sum (**Tip:** Consider 12, 2; 3, 19 y 4, 12. and use the fact that rounding may eliminate the last decimal).

1.5. Prove that:

- 1) $(x + y)^2 = x^2 + 2xy + y^2$
 2) $x^2 - y^2 = (x + y)(x - y)$
 3) if $x^2 = y^2$, then $x = y$ or $x = -y$.
 4) if $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ and $a \neq 0$, then $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ Is it always true?

1.6. Simplify:

$$1) \frac{x^2 - a^2}{x - a} \quad 2) \frac{x^2 + 2ax + a^2}{x + a} \quad 3) \frac{x^3 - a^3}{x - a}.$$

1.7. If $0 < a < b$ are real numbers, prove that:

$$\frac{2ab}{a+b} < \sqrt{ab} < \frac{a+b}{2} < \sqrt{\frac{a^2+b^2}{2}}.$$

1.8. Draw the following sets in \mathbb{R} . Compute the upper and lower boundaries, the supremum and infimum, and the maximum and minimum number of each set (if they exist).

- (a) $\{1 - \frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$, (b) $[1, 3) \cup (2, \pi]$, (c) $[3, \frac{25}{3}] \cap (\frac{5}{4}, 8]$, (d) $\{(-1)^n + \frac{n}{n+1}, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

1.9. Compute the upper and lower boundaries, the supremum and infimum, and the maximum and minimum (if they exist) of the following sets:

- (a) $\{3, 3'3, 3'33, 3'333, \dots\}$ (b) $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : x = 1 - \frac{1}{r}, \text{ con } r > 0\}$
(c) $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ such that if $x \in A$ and the decimal form of x is $x = 0, a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots a_n \dots$ then $a_{2k} = 1$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

1.10. Find all real numbers x such that:

- (a) $-5(2 - x) < 15$ (f) $x^2 - 4 \geq |2x + 4|$
(b) $x^2 - 1 < 0$ (g) $\frac{1-2x}{x+2} \leq 3$
(c) $\frac{x+3}{2x+5} \geq 3$ (h) $\sqrt{1+x} < 1 + \frac{1}{x}$
(d) $\frac{x-1}{x+1} > 0$ (i) $x^3(x^6 - 62)(x + 3)^2 < 0$
(e) $(x - \sqrt[3]{2})(x - \sqrt{2}) > 0$ (j) $\frac{1-2x}{x+2} \leq 3$

1.11. Solve:

- (a) $|x - 3| + |x - 7| = 2$ (c) $||3 - x| - |x|| = |x| + 1$
(b) $|x - 3| + |x - 7| = 4$ (d) $|2 - |x|| = 2 + |x|$

1.12. Prove that:

- (a) $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : |2x + 3| < 6\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -9/2 < x < 3/2\} = (-9/2, 3/2)$.
(b) $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x - 1| < |x|\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 1/2\} = (1/2, \infty)$.
(c) $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x(x - 4)| < |x - 4| - |x|\} = (2 - \sqrt{8}, 3 - \sqrt{5})$.

1.13. Let $y = 2x + |2 - x|$, write x in function of y .