

1. Give an informal proof of each of the following claims.

(a) For all real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ , if  $x + 5 < y$ , then  $2x < 2y$ .

(b)  $\{x \mid \frac{x+1}{2} \geq 4\} \subseteq \{x \mid 2x - 2 > 10\}$

(For this problem the universe is  $\mathbb{R}$ , the set of all real numbers.)

(c) For all sets  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$ , if  $B \cup C \subseteq D$ , then  $A \cap B \subseteq (A \cup C) \cap D$ .

(d) For all sets  $X$ ,  $Y$ , and  $Z$ : if  $(X \cap Y) \subseteq \overline{Z}$ , then  $X \subseteq \overline{Y \cap Z}$ .

You must use (in the appropriate place) proof by contradiction to solve this problem.

(e) For all sets  $H$ ,  $J$ ,  $K$ ,  $L$ , and  $M$ , if  $J \subseteq L \setminus M$  and  $H \subseteq \overline{M}$ , then  $H \cup (J \cap K) \subseteq (H \cup K) \setminus M$ .

You must use (in the appropriate place) proof by cases for this problem.

2. Prove that the following claim is *false*.

**Claim:** For all sets  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ : if  $A \subseteq C$ , then  $A \cup B \subseteq B \cap C$ .

**Hint:** I used the word “prove” here to mean that you have to give all the details. That does not mean that you should be writing a *direct* proof where you start with making some generic assumptions and then use them to prove a conclusion. Remember that you already know how to prove a universal claim is false.

3. Provide proofs for the following claims:

(a) For any integer  $n$ , define  $S_n = \{nx \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  (same as in this week’s lectures). For any integer  $n$ , if  $a$  and  $b$  are members of  $S_n$ , then  $5a - b$  is also a member of  $S_n$ .

(b) The set of rational numbers is closed under addition.

**Hint:** This is just another way of saying that the sum of any two rational numbers must also be rational.

(c) Define  $T = \{x + y\sqrt{2} \mid x \in \mathbb{Q} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  and  $S = \{st \mid s \in T \wedge t \in T\}$ . Claim:  $S = T$ .

**Hint:** You’ll need two separate proofs (one to prove every member of  $S$  is a member of  $T$ , and one to prove every member of  $T$  is a member of  $S$ ).

(d) The sum of an irrational number and a rational number is irrational. (You can assume that all numbers here are real numbers.)

(e) For any integer  $n$ , define  $S_n = \{nx \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  as before. For any integers  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $n$ , if  $ab \notin S_n$ , then neither  $a$  nor  $b$  is a member of  $S_n$ .

**Hint:** Don’t try to prove the two conclusions using the same proof by contradiction subproof. You’ll want two separate (but very similar) subproofs for this.