

# Math 4317 (Prof. Swiech, S'18): HW #1

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## Section 1

F. Show that the symmetric difference  $D$ , defined in the preceding exercise is also given by  $D = (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B)$ . Show  $D = (A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A) = (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B)$ :

First,  $x \in (A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A) \implies x \in (A \setminus B)$  or  $x \in (B \setminus A) \implies$ ,  $x$  is in  $A$  but not  $B$ , or,  $x$  is in  $B$  but not  $A \implies x$  is in  $A$  or  $B$  but not in  $A$  and  $B \implies x \in (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B)$ .

In the other direction,  $x \in (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B) \implies x \in (A \cup B)$  but not in  $(A \cap B) \implies x$  is in  $A$  but not  $B$ , or,  $x$  is in  $B$  but not  $A \implies x \in (A \setminus B)$  or  $x \in (B \setminus A) \implies x \in (A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A) \implies (A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A) = (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B)$

I. If  $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$  is a collection of sets, and if  $E$  is any set, show that:

$$(i) \ E \cap \bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j = \bigcup_{j=1}^n (E \cap A_j), \text{ and } (ii), \ E \cup \bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j = \bigcup_{j=1}^n (E \cup A_j)$$

- (i)  $x \in E \cap \bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j \implies x \in E$  and  $x \in \{A_1 \text{ or } A_2 \dots \text{or } A_n\} \implies x \in E$  and that there exists for some  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$  an  $A_j$  such that  $x \in A_j$  and  $x \in E \implies (x \in E \text{ and } A_1) \text{ or } (x \in E \text{ and } A_2) \dots \text{ or } (x \in E \text{ and } A_n) \implies x \in \bigcup_{j=1}^n (E \cap A_j)$ .

In the other direction,  $x \in \bigcup_{j=1}^n (E \cap A_j) \Leftrightarrow x \in (E \cap A_1) \cup (E \cap A_2) \dots \cup (E \cap A_n) \implies x \in E$  and  $A_1$  or  $E$  and  $A_2 \dots \implies$  there exists a  $j = 1, \dots, n$  such that  $x \in (E \cap A_j) \implies x \in E$  and  $x \in A_1$  or  $A_2, \dots$ , or  $A_n \implies x \in E$  and  $\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j \implies x \in E \cap \bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j$ .

- (ii)  $x \in E \cup \bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j \implies x \in E$  or  $x \in A_1$  or  $A_2 \dots$  or  $A_n \implies$  for some  $j = 1, \dots, n$  that  $x \in E \cup A_j \implies x \in E \cup A_1$  or  $x \in E \cup A_2 \dots$  or  $x \in E \cup A_n \implies x \in \bigcup_{j=1}^n (E \cup A_j)$ . In the other direction,  $x \in \bigcup_{j=1}^n (E \cup A_j) \Leftrightarrow x \in E \cup A_1$  or  $x \in E \cup A_2 \dots$  or  $x \in E \cup A_n \implies$  there exists some  $j = 1, \dots, n$  such that  $x \in E \cup A_j \implies (x \in E \text{ or } x \in A_1) \text{ or } (x \in E \text{ or } x \in A_2) \dots \text{ or } (x \in E \text{ or } x \in A_n) \implies x \in E$  or  $x \in \bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j \implies x \in E \cup \bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j$ .

J. If  $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$  is a collection of sets, and if  $E$  is any set, show that:

$$(i) \ E \cap \bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j = \bigcap_{j=1}^n (E \cap A_j), \text{ and } (ii), \ E \cup \bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j = \bigcap_{j=1}^n (E \cup A_j)$$

- (i)  $x \in E \cap \bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j \implies x \in E$  and  $x \in \bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j \implies x \in E$  and  $x \in A_j$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, n \implies x \in E$  and  $[x \in A_1 \text{ and } x \in A_2 \dots \text{ and } x \in A_n] \implies [x \in E \text{ and } A_1] \text{ and } \dots \text{ and } [x \in E \text{ and } A_n] \implies x \in \bigcap_{j=1}^n (E \cap A_j)$ . In the other direction,  $x \in \bigcap_{j=1}^n (E \cap A_j) \implies x \in (E \cap A_1)$  and  $x \in (E \cap A_2) \dots$  and  $x \in (E \cap A_n) \implies x \in (E \cap A_j)$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, n \implies x \in E$  and  $x \in A_1$  and  $x \in A_2 \dots$  and  $x \in A_n \implies x \in E$  and  $x \in \bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j \implies x \in E \cap \bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j$ .

- (ii)  $x \in E \cup \bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j \implies x \in E$  or  $x \in \bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j \implies x \in E$  or  $[x \in A_1 \text{ and } x \in A_2 \dots \text{ and } x \in A_n] \implies x \in E \text{ or } A_1 \text{ and } x \in E \text{ or } A_2 \dots \text{ and } x \in E \text{ or } A_n \implies x \in \bigcap_{j=1}^n (E \cup A_j)$ . In the other direction,  $x \in \bigcap_{j=1}^n (E \cup A_j) \implies x \in (E \cup A_1)$  and  $x \in (E \cup A_2) \dots$  and  $x \in (E \cup A_n) \implies$  that for all  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $x \in (E \cup A_j) \implies x \in E$  or  $(x \in A_1 \text{ and } x \in A_2 \dots \text{ and } x \in A_n) \implies x \in \bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j$  or  $x \in E \implies x \in E \cup \bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j$ .

K. Let  $E$  be a set and  $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$  be a collection of sets. Establish the De Morgan laws:

$$(i) E \setminus \bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j = \bigcup_{j=1}^n (E \setminus A_j), \text{ and, } (ii) E \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j = \bigcap_{j=1}^n (E \setminus A_j)$$

- (i)  $x \in E \setminus \bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j \implies x \in E$  but not  $(A_1 \text{ and } A_2 \dots \text{ and } A_n) \implies$  there exists a  $j = 1, \dots, n$  such that  $x \in E$  but not  $A_j \implies x \in E$  but not  $A_1$ , or  $x \in E$  but not  $A_2, \dots$ , or  $x \in E$  but not  $A_n \implies x \in E \setminus A_1$  or  $x \in E \setminus A_2 \dots$  or  $x \in E \setminus A_n \implies x \in \bigcup_{j=1}^n (E \setminus A_j)$ . In the other direction,  $x \in \bigcup_{j=1}^n (E \setminus A_j) \implies x \in (E \text{ but not } A_1)$  or  $(E \text{ but not } A_2)$  or  $(E \text{ but not } A_n) \implies$  there exists  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $x \in E$  but not  $A_j \implies x \in E$  but not  $(A_1 \text{ and } A_2 \dots \text{ and } A_n) \implies x \in E \setminus \bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j$ .
- (ii)  $x \in E \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j \implies x \in E$  but  $A_1$  or  $A_2 \dots$  or  $A_n \implies x \in E$  and  $x \notin A_j$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, n \implies x \in E$  but not  $A_1$ , and  $x \in E$  but not  $A_2, \dots$ , and  $x \in E$  but not  $A_n \implies x \in (E \setminus A_1)$  and  $x \in (E \setminus A_2) \dots$  and  $x \in (E \setminus A_n) \implies x \in \bigcap_{j=1}^n (E \setminus A_j)$ . In the other direction,  $x \in \bigcap_{j=1}^n (E \setminus A_j) \implies x \in (E \setminus A_1 \text{ and } E \setminus A_2 \dots \text{ and } E \setminus A_n) \implies x \in E$  but not  $A_j$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, n \implies x \in E$  but  $A_1$  or  $A_2 \dots$  or  $A_n \implies x \in E$  but not  $\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j \implies x \in E \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j$ .

## Section 2

C. Consider the subset of  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $D = \{(x, y) : |x| + |y| = 1\}$ . Describe this set in words. Is it a function?

This set consists of points on the line segments connecting a rotated square in the  $(x, y)$  plane with vertices  $(1, 0)$ ,  $(0, 1)$ ,  $(-1, 0)$ , and  $(0, -1)$ . If we attempt to define a function, with the elements  $(x, y)$  from the set  $D$ , i.e.  $y = f(x)$ ,  $f : x \rightarrow y$ , we have  $|x| + |y| = 1 \implies \sqrt{y^2} = 1 - |x| \implies y = \pm\sqrt{(1 - |x|)^2}$ .  $f(x) = y = \pm\sqrt{(1 - |x|)^2}$  does not fit the definition of a function, since, as an example, the set  $D$  includes the elements  $(0, 1)$  and  $(0, -1)$ , which if,  $f$  is a function,  $f : x \rightarrow y \implies -1 = 1$ , which is clearly not true.

E. Prove that if  $f$  is an injection from  $A$  to  $B$ , then  $f^{-1} = \{(b, a) : (a, b) \in f\}$  is a function. Then prove it is an injection.

If  $f$  is an injection, and  $(a, b) \in f$ , and  $(a', b) \in f$ , then  $a = a'$ .  $f^{-1} = \{(b, a) : (a, b) \in f\}$  contains the pair  $(b, a)$  and  $(b, a')$ , and we know that  $a = a'$  from the definition of  $f$ , so we can assume that  $f^{-1}$  is a function. Since  $f$  is injective, each unique element  $b = f(a)$ , is mapped to by a unique element  $a$ , and by definition  $f^{-1} = \{(b, a) : (a, b) \in f\}$  maps the unique element  $b$  back to  $a$ , meaning  $f^{-1}(b) = a$  and  $f^{-1}(b') = a$  if and only if  $b = b'$ , thus  $f^{-1}$  is also injective.

H. Let  $f, g$  be functions such that

$$g \circ f(x) = x, \text{ for all } x \text{ in } D(f)$$

$$f \circ g(y) = y, \text{ for all } y \text{ in } D(g)$$

Prove that  $g = f^{-1}$

For two elements  $x, x' \in D(f)$ , if  $f(x) = f(x') \implies g \circ f(x) = g(f(x)) = g(f(x')) \implies g(f(x)) = x = g(f(x')) = x'$ , that is  $x = x' \implies g \circ f$  is an injection. For two elements  $y, y' \in D(g)$ , if  $g(y) = g(y') \implies f \circ g(y) = f(g(y)) = f(g(y')) \implies f(g(y)) = y = f(g(y')) = y'$ , that is  $y = y' \implies f \circ g$  is an injection, and implies  $f$  and  $g$  are injections as well.

This implies  $g$  can be defined  $g = \{(f(x), x) : (x, f(x)) \in f\}$ , which is the definition for  $f^{-1}$ , implying  $g = f^{-1}$ .

J. Let  $f$  be the function on  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  given by  $f(x) = x^2$ , and let  $E = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -1 \leq x \leq 0\}$  and  $F = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq x \leq 1\}$ . Then  $E \cap F = \{0\}$  and  $f(E \cap F) = \{0\}$  while  $f(E) = f(F) = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq y \leq 1\}$ . Hence  $f(E \cap F)$  is a proper subset of  $f(E) \cap f(F)$ . Now delete 0 from  $E$  and  $F$ .

The sets  $E$  and  $F$  with 0 deleted are denoted  $E' = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -1 \leq x < 0\}$  and  $F' = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 < x \leq 1\}$ , respectively. We still have the equality  $f(E') = f(F') = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : 0 < y \leq 1\} = f(E') \cap f(F')$ . We also have  $E' \cap F' = \emptyset$ , and thus  $f(E' \cap F') = \emptyset$ , and  $\emptyset = f(E' \cap F') \subseteq f(E') \cap f(F')$ , since the empty set is a subset of all sets.

### Section 3

*B. Exhibit a one-to-one correspondence between the set  $O$  of odd natural numbers and  $\mathbb{N}$*

The function  $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{2}, x \in \mathbb{N}$  maps the set of odd natural numbers,  $O = \{2k - 1 : k \in \mathbb{N}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ .

*D. If  $A$  is contained in some initial segment of  $\mathbb{N}$ , use the well-ordering property of  $\mathbb{N}$  to define a bijection of  $A$  onto some initial segment of  $\mathbb{N}$ .*

If  $A \neq \emptyset$  is a subset of some initial segment  $\mathbb{N}$ , by the well-ordering principle, there exists an  $m \in A$  such that  $m \leq k$  for all  $k \in A$ . A bijection  $f$  can be defined by the mapping from set  $A$  consisting of elements  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k\}$  to elements of some initial segment  $S_k = \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  as a set of ordered pairs  $\{(a_1, 1), (a_2, 2), \dots, (a_k, k)\}$ , such that  $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_k$  and clearly the corresponding elements in the pairs from set  $S_k$ ,  $1 \leq 2 \leq \dots \leq k$ . Here the number of elements in  $A$  and  $S_k$  are the same, which has a one-one correspondence  $f : A \rightarrow S_k$  and the  $R(f) = S_k$ .

*F. Use the fact that every infinite set has a denumerable subset to show that every infinite set can be put into one-one correspondence with a proper subset of itself.*

By definition, having a denumerable subset  $\implies$  there exists a bijective function that maps a proper subset of an infinite set,  $B$ , onto  $\mathbb{N}$ . If we take infinite set  $B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n, \dots\}$  and  $B_1 = \{b_2, b_3, \dots, b_n, b_{n+1}, \dots\}$ ,  $B_1 \subseteq B$ , we can create a one-one correspondence  $f : B \rightarrow B_1$  defined by the set or ordered pairs  $\{(b_n, b_{n+1}) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  which maps  $B$  to  $B_1 = B \setminus \{b_1\}$ .

*H. Show that if the set  $A$  can be put into one-one correspondence with a set  $B$ , and if  $B$  can be put into one-one correspondence with a set  $C$ , then  $A$  can be put into one-one correspondence with  $C$ .*

If  $A$  can be put into one-one correspondence with a set  $B \implies$  there exists an injective function,  $f$  from  $A \rightarrow B$ . This means that for  $a, a' \in A$ , and  $b \in B$ ,  $f(a) = f(a') = b \implies a = a'$ . Similarly, if  $B$  can be put into one-one correspondence with a set  $C \implies$  there exists an injective function,  $g$  from  $B \rightarrow C$ , and with  $b, b' \in B$ ,  $g(b) = g(b') = c \in C \implies b = b'$ . By these properties, the composition of these two injective functions,  $g \circ f(a) = g \circ f(a') \implies f(a) = f(a') \implies a = a'$  putting  $A$  and  $C$  in one-one correspondence.

*I. Using induction on  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , show that the initial segment determined by  $n$  cannot be put into one-one correspondence with the initial segment determined by  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $m < n$ .*

Let  $S_n = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  be the initial segment determined by  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $S_m$  be the initial segment determined by  $m \in \mathbb{N}, m < n$ . If  $S_n$  can be put into one-one correspondence with  $S_m \implies$  there exists an injection  $f : S_n \rightarrow S_m$ . For  $n = 1$  we have  $f : \{1\} \rightarrow S_m$ ,  $m < 1$ , but  $S_m$  does not exist by definition for  $m < 1$  implying the function is not valid for the case  $n = 1, m < n$ . For, the case  $n = k + 1$ , we again have a map  $f : \{1, 2, \dots, k + 1\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, m\}$ ,  $m < k + 1$  which implies a mapping of  $k + 1$  elements to  $m < k + 1$  elements  $\implies$  there exists at least two elements  $x, x' \in S_{k+1}$  for which  $f(x) = f(x')$  and  $x \neq x' \implies$  an injection does not exist between these sets.

### Section 4

*C. Prove part (b) of Theorem 4.4, that is, Let  $a \neq 0$  and  $b$  be arbitrary elements of  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then the equation  $a \cdot x = b$  has the unique solution  $x = \frac{1}{a}b$*

Let  $x_1$  be any solution to the equation, that is,  $a \cdot x_1 = b$ . By (M4) we have that there is exists for each element  $a \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  there exists an element  $\frac{1}{a}$  such that  $a(\frac{1}{a}) = 1$ . Thus we have  $(\frac{1}{a})ax_1 = b(\frac{1}{a}) \implies 1 \cdot x_1 = b(\frac{1}{a}) \implies a \cdot x_1 = b$  has the unique solution  $x_1 = \frac{b}{a}$ .

*F. Use the argument in Theorem 4.7 to show that there does not exist a rational number  $s$  such that  $s^2 = 6$ .*

If we assume that  $s^2 = (\frac{p}{q})^2 = 6$ , where  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}, q \neq 0$  and assume that  $p$  and  $q$  have no common integral factors, since  $p^2 = 2(3q^2) \implies$  that  $p^2$ , and  $p$  is even for some  $p = 2k, k \in \mathbb{N} \implies p^2 = 4k^2 = 2(3q^2) \implies 2k^2 = 3q^2 \implies q^2$ , and  $q$  must be even, which is a contradiction of the assumption that  $p$  and  $q$  have no common integral factors, and thus a rational number  $s$  such that  $s^2 = 6$  does not exist.

G. Modify the argument in Theorem 4.7 to show there does not exist a rational number  $t$  such that  $t^2 = 3$ .

If we assume that  $t^2 = (\frac{p}{q})^2 = 3$ , where  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}, q \neq 0$  and assume that  $p$  and  $q$  have no common integral factors, we have  $p^2 = 3q^2$  which implies that  $p^2$  and  $p$  are divisible by 3  $\implies$  there exists  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $p = 3k \implies p^2 = 9k^2 = 3q^2 \implies 3k^2 = q^2$ . This implies that  $q^2$  is also divisible by 3  $\implies q$  is divisible by 3. This is again a contradiction of assumption  $p$  and  $q$  have no common integral factors, and thus a rational number  $t$  such that  $t^2 = 3$  does not exist.

H. If  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$  is irrational and  $r \in \mathbb{R}, r \neq 0$ , is rational, show that  $r + \xi$  and  $r\xi$  are irrational.

If we take another rational number  $c = \frac{a}{b}$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0$ , and assume the contradiction that  $r + \xi, r = \frac{p}{q}$ ,  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}, q \neq 0$  is rational, that is  $r + \xi = c$ , we have  $\xi = c - r = \frac{a}{b} - \frac{p}{q} = \frac{aq - bp}{bq}$  where  $\frac{aq - bp}{bq}$  is a rational number, but clearly  $\xi$  cannot be equal to a rational number. Similarly for  $r\xi = c \implies \xi = \frac{c}{r} = \frac{aq}{bp}$  where  $\frac{aq}{bp}$  is clearly a rational number, again implying the contradiction that  $\xi$  is equal to a rational number. Thus, by contradiction,  $r + \xi$  and  $r\xi$  must be irrational.

## Section 5

B. If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , show that  $n^2 \geq n$  and hence  $\frac{1}{n^2} \leq \frac{1}{n}$ .

If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $n \geq 1 \implies n^2 \geq n$ , since  $n^2 = n \cdot n \cdot 1 \geq n \cdot 1 \implies n \geq \frac{n \cdot 1}{n \cdot 1} \implies n \geq 1$ , a condition of  $n$  being a natural number.

C. If  $a \geq -1$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , show that  $(1 + a)^n \geq 1 + na$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Let  $S$  be the set of all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  for which  $(1 + a)^n \geq 1 + na$  is true. For  $n = 1$  we have  $(1 + a)^1 \geq 1 + (1)a = 1 + a$ . For  $k \in S$ , we assume  $(1 + a)^k \geq 1 + ka$  is true. For case  $n = k + 1$ , we have, using the binomial theorem,

$$(1+a)^{k+1} = (1+a)(1+a)^k = (1+a) \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} a^j = (1+a) \left( \binom{k}{0} a^0 + \binom{k}{1} a^1 + \dots + \binom{k}{k} a^k \right) = (1+a)(1 + ka + \dots + a^k)$$

This implies,  $(1 + a)^{k+1} \geq (1 + a)(1 + ka) = 1 + ka + a + ka^2 = 1 + (k + 1)a + ka^2 \geq 1 + (k + 1)a$ , since  $ka^2 \geq 0$ . Thus,  $(1 + a)^{k+1} \geq 1 + (k + 1)a$  holds, for  $k + 1 \in S$ .

F. Suppose that  $0 < c < 1$ . If  $m \geq n$ ,  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , show that  $0 < c^m \leq c^n < 1$ .

By property 5.6(c), for  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ , if  $a > b$  and  $c > 0$ , then  $ac > bc$ . Applying this property here we have,  $0 < c < 1 \implies 1 > c$  and  $c > 0 \implies c = 1 \cdot c > c \cdot c = c^2$ , thus  $0 < c^2 < c < 1 \implies 1 > c$  and  $c^2 > 0$ , and  $c^2 > c^3$ , up to  $c^k > c^{k+1}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus for  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $m \geq n$ , we have  $0 < c^m \leq c^n < 1$ .

G. Show that  $n < 2^n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence  $(1/2)^n < 1/n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Applying induction, for case  $n = 1$  we have true statement  $1 < 2^1$ . We assume the inequality is valid for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , and for case  $n = k + 1$ , we have  $k + 1 < 2^{k+1} = 2 \cdot 2^k$ . For all  $k \geq 1$  we have first,  $k + 1 \leq k + k = 2k$ , and since  $2k \leq 2^{k+1}$ , i.e.  $k \leq 2^k \implies k + 1 \leq 2^{k+1}$ . Since the inequality holds for  $n = k + 1$ , we assume it holds for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

K. If  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $b \neq 0$ , show that  $|a/b| = |a|/|b|$

- (i) For the case,  $a \geq 0$ ,  $b > 0$ ,  $a \cdot 1/b \geq 0$ , and we thus have  $|a/b| = |a \cdot 1/b| = a/b = |a| \cdot |1/b|$ , thus  $a/b = |a|/|b|$ .
- (ii) For the case,  $a \geq 0$ ,  $b < 0$ , we have  $a/b \leq 0 \forall a, b$ , thus  $|a/b| = |a \cdot 1/b| = -(a/b) = a \cdot 1/-b$ , and  $a, -b \in \mathbb{P} \implies a \cdot 1/-b \geq 0$ , thus  $a/-b = |a|/|b|$ .
- (iii) For the case,  $a \leq 0$ ,  $b < 0$ , we have  $a/b \geq 0$ ,  $\forall a, b$ , thus,  $|a/b| = |a \cdot 1/b| = (a/b) = -a \cdot 1/-b$ , thus  $-a/-b = a/b = |a|/|b|$ .
- (iv) For the case,  $a \leq 0$ ,  $b > 0$  we have  $a/b \leq 0 \forall a, b$ , thus,  $|a/b| = -(a/b) = -a/b = -a/|b| = |a|/|b|$ .

L. If  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $|a + b| = |a| + |b|$  if and only if  $ab \geq 0$ .

$ab \geq 0 \implies a, b \in \mathbb{P}$  or  $-a, -b \in \mathbb{P}$ . For the case,  $a, b \in \mathbb{P}$ , we have  $|a + b| = a + b = |a| + |b| \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{P}$ . For the case,  $-a, -b \in \mathbb{P}$ , we have,  $|a + b| = -(a + b) = -a - b = |a| + |b|$ .

## Section 6

B. Show that if a subset  $S$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  contains an upper bound, then this upper bound is the supremum of  $S$ .

Let the upper bound of  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be  $u \in \mathbb{R}$ , then assume for all  $s \in S$ ,  $u \geq s$ . If  $s \leq v \quad \forall s \in S$ , then  $u \leq v$ , then there is another number that satisfies the supremum and  $u$  is not a supremum of  $S$ .

C. Give an example of a set of rational numbers which is bounded but does not have a rational supremum.

Take the set  $S = \{x \in \mathbb{Q} : x^2 < 3\}$ , bounded above by the irrational  $\sqrt{3}$ , where  $\mathbb{Q} = \{\frac{m}{n} : m, n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \neq 0\}$ .

G. If  $S$  is a bounded set in  $\mathbb{R}$  and if  $S_0$  is a non-empty subset of  $S$ , then show that  $\inf S \leq \inf S_0 \leq \sup S_0 \leq \sup S$

By definition,  $S_0 \subseteq S \implies$  there exists either, an element in  $S$  that is not in  $S_0$  or  $S_0$  exhausts all of  $S$  (i.e. they are equal). Let  $u = \inf S \implies u \leq s \quad \forall s \in S$  and  $s \in S_0$ . Let  $u_0 = \inf S_0 \implies u_0 \leq s \quad \forall s \in S_0 \subseteq S \implies u \leq u_0 \implies \inf S \leq \inf S_0$ . Let  $w = \sup S \implies w \geq s \quad \forall s \in S$  and  $s \in S_0$ . Let  $w_0 = \sup S_0 \implies w_0 \geq s \quad \forall s \in S_0$ , but not necessarily for all  $s \in S$ . This implies  $w \geq w_0 \quad \forall s \in S$ . Since by definition  $\sup S_0 \geq \inf S$ , and since  $w \geq w_0 \implies u \leq u_0 \leq w_0 \leq w \iff \inf S \leq \inf S_0 \leq \sup S_0 \leq \sup S$ .

H. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be non-empty sets and let  $f : X \times Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  have a bounded range in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let,  $f_1(x) = \sup\{f(x, y) : y \in Y\}$ , and  $f_2(y) = \sup\{f(x, y) : x \in X\}$ . Establish the Principle of Iterated Suprema:  $\sup\{f(x, y) : x \in X, y \in Y\} = \sup\{f(x, y) : y \in Y\} = \sup\{f(x, y) : x \in X\}$ .

Let  $u = \sup\{f(x, y) : x \in X, y \in Y\} \implies u \geq f(x, y) \quad \forall f(x, y)$  where  $x \in X, y \in Y$ . This implies that  $f_1(x) \leq u \quad \forall y \in Y$ . Conversely, let  $u_0 = \sup f_1(x) = \sup\{f(x, y) : y \in Y\}$ . This implies  $u_0 \geq u \quad \forall x \in X, y \in Y$ . This implies that  $u = u_0$ , and thus  $\sup\{f(x, y) : x \in X, y \in Y\} = f_1(x) = \sup\{f(x, y) : y \in Y\}$ . By extension the same argument hold for  $\sup\{f(x, y) : x \in X, y \in Y\} = \sup f_2(y) = \sup\{f(x, y) : x \in X\}$ .

J. Let  $X$  be a non-empty set and let  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  have a bounded range in  $\mathbb{R}$ . If  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , show that:  $\sup\{a + f(x) : x \in X\} = a + \sup\{f(x) : x \in X\}$ , and  $\inf\{a + f(x) : x \in X\} = a + \inf\{f(x) : x \in X\}$ .

Let  $u = \sup\{a + f(x) : x \in X\} \implies u \geq a + f(x) \quad \forall x \in X \implies u - a \geq f(x) \quad \forall x \in X \implies \sup\{f(x) : x \in X\} = u - a$ . This implies that  $u = a + \sup\{f(x) : x \in X\}$ , and thus  $\sup\{a + f(x) : x \in X\} = a + \sup\{f(x) : x \in X\}$ .

Using the same argument, let  $w = \inf\{a + f(x) : x \in X\} \implies w \leq a + f(x) \quad \forall x \in X \implies w - a \leq f(x) \quad \forall x \in X \implies \inf\{f(x) : x \in X\} = w - a$ . This implies that  $w = a + \inf\{f(x) : x \in X\}$ , and thus  $\inf\{a + f(x) : x \in X\} = a + \inf\{f(x) : x \in X\}$ .

K. Let  $X$  be a non-empty set and let  $f$  and  $g$  be defined on  $X$  have a bounded ranges in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that:  $\inf\{f(x) : x \in X\} + \inf\{g(x) : x \in X\} \leq \inf\{f(x) + g(x) : x \in X\} \leq \inf\{f(x) : x \in X\} + \sup\{g(x) : x \in X\} \leq \sup\{f(x) + g(x) : x \in X\} \leq \sup\{f(x) : x \in X\} + \sup\{g(x) : x \in X\}$

- (i) Let  $l = \inf\{f(x) : x \in X\}$  and  $l_0 = \inf\{g(x) : x \in X\}$ , thus,  $l \leq f(x) \quad \forall x \in X$  and  $l_0 \leq g(x) \quad \forall x \in X$ , summing these inequalities we have  $l + l_0 \leq f(x) + g(x) \quad \forall x \in X \implies l + l_0 = \inf\{f(x) : x \in X\} + \inf\{g(x) : x \in X\} \leq \inf\{f(x) + g(x) : x \in X\}$ .
- (ii) Since  $l + l_0 \leq \inf\{f(x) + g(x) : x \in X\} \leq \inf\{f(x) : x \in X\} + \sup\{g(x) : x \in X\} \implies l + l_0 \leq l + \sup\{g(x) : x \in X\} \implies l_0 \leq \sup\{g(x) : x \in X\}$ , which must be true, since  $\inf\{g(x) : x \in X\} \leq \sup\{g(x) : x \in X\}$  by definition.
- (iii) Let  $w = \sup\{f(x) + g(x) : x \in X\}$ ,  $\inf\{f(x) : x \in X\} + \sup\{g(x) : x \in X\} \leq w \implies w \geq f(x) + g(x) \quad \forall x \in X \implies w \geq u_0 + l$ , where again  $u_0 \geq g(x) \quad \forall x \in X$ , thus  $w - u_0 \geq f(x) \quad \forall x \in X$ , implying  $w - u_0$  is an upper bound for  $f(x)$ . Thus  $w - u_0$ , must be greater than  $\inf\{f(x) : x \in X\} \implies \inf\{f(x) : x \in X\} + \sup\{g(x) : x \in X\} \leq \sup\{f(x) + g(x) : x \in X\}$ .

(iv) Let  $u = \sup \{f(x) : x \in X\}$  and  $u_0 = \sup \{g(x) : x \in X\}$ , thus,  $u \geq f(x) \forall x \in X$  and  $u_0 \geq g(x) \forall x \in X$ , summing these inequalities we have  $u + u_0 \geq f(x) + g(x) \forall x \in X \implies u + u_0 = \sup \{f(x) : x \in X\} + \sup \{g(x) : x \in X\} \geq \sup \{f(x) + g(x) : x \in X\}$ .

An example of a strict inequality: the functions  $f, g$ , on the set  $X = \{x : 0 < x < 1\}$  for  $f(x) = g(x) = x$ . Clearly  $\inf\{x : 0 < x < 1\} = 0$ , thus  $\inf\{f(x) : x \in X\} + \inf\{g(x) : x \in X\} = 0$  which is less than  $\inf\{f(x) + g(x) : 0 < x < 1\} > 0$ , since,  $f(x) > 0$  and  $g(x) > 0 \forall x \in X$ .  $\inf \{f(x) + g(x) : x \in X\} \leq \inf \{f(x) : x \in X\} + \sup \{g(x) : x \in X\}$ , holds, since  $\sup \{x : 0 < x < 1\} = 1$ , which is clearly greater than  $\inf \{f(x) + g(x) : x \in X\}$ , since the bound  $\inf \{f(x) + g(x) : x \in X\}$  is close to zero and is clearly less than 1.

For the inequality  $\inf \{f(x) : x \in X\} + \sup \{g(x) : x \in X\} \leq \sup \{f(x) + g(x) : x \in X\}$ , clearly the left hand side is 1, since  $\sup \{x : x \in X\} = 1$ , and the right hand must be greater than one since  $f(x) + g(x)$  can clearly equate to a number greater than 1 given range and domain.

Lastly,  $\sup\{f(x) : x \in X\} + \sup\{g(x) : x \in X\} = 2$ , clearly, which is greater than  $\sup\{f(x) + g(x) : 0 < x < 1\}$ , since  $f(x) < 1$ , and  $g(x) < 1 \forall x \in X$ .

## Section 7

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