

Seminar 1

1. Find the lower and the upper bounds, then \sup , \inf , \max , \min for each of the following:

(a) $[-3, 2) \cup \{3\}$.

(c) $(-5, 5) \cap \mathbb{Z}$.

(b) $(-1, 1] \cup (2, \infty)$.

(d) \emptyset .

2. Find the \sup , \inf , \max , \min for each of the following sets:

(a) $\{x \in \mathbb{Q} \mid x^2 < 3\}$.

(c) $\{\frac{n}{n+1} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

(b) $\{x^2 - 4x + 3 \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

(d) $\{2^{-k} + 3^{-m} \mid k, m \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

3. Suppose that S is nonempty and bounded above. Show that the set $-S := \{-x \mid x \in S\}$ is bounded below and $\inf(-S) = -\sup(S)$.

4. Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be two functions defined on a nonempty set D . Prove that

$$\inf_{x \in D} (f(x) + g(x)) \geq \inf_{x \in D} f(x) + \inf_{x \in D} g(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \sup_{x \in D} (f(x) + g(x)) \leq \sup_{x \in D} f(x) + \sup_{x \in D} g(x).$$

Give examples where the above inequalities are strict.

5. ★ Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a > 0$. If S is nonempty and bounded above, prove that

$$\sup_{x \in S} (ax + b) = a \sup(S) + b.$$

6. Which of the following sets are neighborhoods of 0?

$$[-1, 1] \cup \{2\}; \quad (-1, 1) \cap \mathbb{Q}; \quad \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} [-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}].$$

7. Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $U, V \in \mathcal{V}(x)$. Prove that $U \cap V \in \mathcal{V}(x)$.

8. ★ Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove that there exist neighborhoods $U \in \mathcal{V}(a)$ and $V \in \mathcal{V}(b)$ s.t. $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

9. Find the interior and the closure for each of the following sets:

(a) $(1, 2]$.

(c) $(-1, 1] \cup (2, \infty)$.

(b) $[-3, 2) \cup \{3\}$.

(d) $(-5, 5) \cap \mathbb{Z}$.

10. ★ Let $A = (0, 1) \cap \mathbb{Q}$. Show rigorously that $\inf A = 0$, $\sup A = 1$, $\text{int} A = \emptyset$ and $\text{cl} A = [0, 1]$.

Homework questions are marked with ★.

Solutions should be uploaded on Teams in the corresponding Assignment.