

MATH 350-2 Advanced Calculus

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Any positive real number $x > 0$ can be approximated by a finite decimal expansion.

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Absolute value

The **absolute value** of $x \in \mathbb{R}$ is

$$|x| = \begin{cases} x, & x \geq 0 \\ -x, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

In particular,

$$0 \leq |x|$$

and also

$$-|x| \leq x \leq |x|.$$

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Induction. □

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$$(\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y})^2 \leq |\vec{x}|^2 |\vec{y}|^2.$$

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$$\sum_{k=1}^n (x_k + ty_k)^2 \geq 0, \quad \text{with equality iff all terms zero}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 + 2t \sum_{k=1}^n x_k y_k + t^2 \sum_{k=1}^n y_k^2 \geq 0$$

Take $t = -(\sum_{k=1}^n x_k y_k) / (\sum_{k=1}^n y_k^2)$:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 - \frac{(\sum_{k=1}^n x_k y_k)^2}{(\sum_{k=1}^n y_k^2)} \geq 0.$$



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By the triangle inequality:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{k=1}^n (x_k + y_k)^2 &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n (|x_k| + |y_k|) |x_k + y_k| \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n |x_k| \cdot |x_k + y_k| + \sum_{k=1}^n |y_k| \cdot |x_k + y_k|\end{aligned}$$

Now applying the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality:

$$\begin{aligned}&\leq \left(\sum_{k=1}^n |x_k|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n |x_k + y_k|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \left(\sum_{k=1}^n |y_k|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n |x_k + y_k|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \left[\left(\sum_{k=1}^n |x_k|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \left(\sum_{k=1}^n |y_k|^2 \right)^{1/2} \right] \left(\sum_{k=1}^n |x_k + y_k|^2 \right)^{1/2}\end{aligned}$$



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Set basics

Intuitively, a **set** A is a "collection of things" which we call the **elements** of A .

- in practice, this is a bad definition (Russell's Paradox)
- true set formulation: Zermelo-Frankel Axioms

Examples:

- $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Z}_+, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}$
- $(1, 5], (0, \infty)$
- empty set \emptyset
- $\{\heartsuit, \text{Fall}, \{\emptyset\}\}$
- $\{n \in \mathbb{Z} : n \text{ is prime}\}$

Everything is a set

In the true minimalistic philosophy of mathematics, we want everything to be a set.

- integers

$$0 = \emptyset, 1 = \{\emptyset\}, 2 = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}, \dots$$

- ordered pairs

$$(a, b) = \{a, \{a, b\}\}$$

- even relations and functions are sets

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