

Midterm Mathematical Structures TW1010
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No calculators allowed. Write the solutions in the fields provided. The grade is $(\text{score}+6)/6$.

Exercise continued (extra space)

1 For each of the following, prove or give a counterexample

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1a $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \exists y \in \mathbb{R} : x > y$

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1b $\exists y \in \mathbb{R} \forall x \in \mathbb{R} : x > y$

2 Give the logical tautology which underlies the structure of the following proof. Also be specific which statements the variables p , q , etc. represent.

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Theorem: If n is a prime number, then either $n = 2$ or n is odd.

Proof: Suppose n is a prime number which is not odd. Then n is even, so n is a divisible by 2. As any prime number is divisible only by 1 and itself, n must equal 2. Thus we have shown that any prime number is either 2 or odd.

3 Give an example of a relation on \mathbb{N} which is reflexive, symmetric, but not transitive.
Be sure to show the example you describe satisfies these properties.

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- My example relation is defined as

- The relation is **reflexive** as

- The relation is **symmetric** as

- The relation is **not transitive** as

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7 Show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4n^2+n+3}{2n^2-n} = 2$ using the definition of limit of a sequence.

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8 Suppose (s_n) is a convergent sequence with $s_n \geq 0$ for all n , and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = s > 0$. Show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (s_n)^{\frac{1}{3}} = s^{\frac{1}{3}}$. 6

Hint: The equation $(a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2) = a^3 - b^3$ might be useful.

Remark: You are not allowed to use continuity in your solution.

9 Show that if (s_n) satisfies $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \infty$, then for any $k \in \mathbb{R}$ we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (s_n + k) = \infty$ as well.

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10 Complete the definition: The sequence (s_n) is bounded if

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