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Problem 1

let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $a < b$.

Want to show: $a < \frac{a+b}{2} < b$

Let us first show that $a < \frac{a+b}{2}$.

We know that $a < b$. Thus:

$$a+a < b+a$$

$$2a < b+a$$

$$a < \frac{b+a}{2}$$

Then we want to show that $\frac{a+b}{2} < b$

We know that $a < b$. Thus:

$$a+b < b+b$$

$$a+b < 2b$$

$$\frac{a+b}{2} < b$$

Therefore, we can conclude that $a < \frac{a+b}{2} < b$

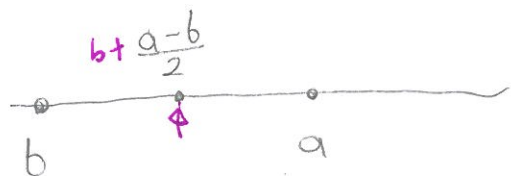
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Problem 2

let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. Suppose that $\forall \varepsilon > 0, a \leq b + \varepsilon$.

want to show: $a \leq b$

let us prove it by contradiction. Thus, assume that $\forall \varepsilon > 0, a \leq b + \varepsilon$
and $a > b$



let $\varepsilon = \frac{a-b}{2}$. Since $a > b$, then $\varepsilon > 0$ and thus $a \leq b + \varepsilon$ should be satisfied. But then

$$b + \varepsilon = b + \frac{a-b}{2} = \frac{2b + a - b}{2} = \frac{b+a}{2}$$

But from the previous problem we know that if $a > b$, then
 $b < \frac{a+b}{2} < a$ *good! like that!*

Thus, $b + \varepsilon = \frac{b+a}{2} < a$

✓ But according to our assumption, $a \leq b + \varepsilon$. Thus, we have a contradiction, and therefore we proved that

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, a \leq b + \varepsilon \Rightarrow a \leq b$$

Problem 3

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

We want to show that $\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2 \leq \frac{a^2+b^2}{2}$

We know that if $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, then

$$(a-b)^2 \geq 0$$

$$a^2 - 2ab + b^2 \geq 0$$

$$-a^2 + 2ab - b^2 \leq 0$$

$$a^2 + 2ab + b^2 \leq 2a^2 + 2b^2$$

$$\frac{a^2 + 2ab + b^2}{4} \leq \frac{a^2 + b^2}{2}$$

$$\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2 \leq \frac{a^2+b^2}{2}, \text{ which finishes the proof.}$$

(since any number squared is positive or 0)

if $a=b$, then

$$\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{a+a}{2}\right)^2 = a^2$$

$$\frac{a^2+b^2}{2} = \frac{a^2+a^2}{2} = \frac{2a^2}{2} = a^2$$

thus, equality holds.

Conversely, if equality holds, then

$$\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{a^2+b^2}{2}$$

$$\frac{a^2+2ab+b^2}{4} = \frac{a^2+b^2}{2}$$

$$a^2+2ab+b^2 = 2a^2+b^2$$

$$a^2-2ab+b^2 = 0$$

$\rightarrow (a-b)^2 = 0$, which implies that $a=b$.

Thus, we can claim that the equality holds if and only if $a=b$

Problem 4

a) let $0 < c < 1$,

We want to show that $0 < c^2 < c < 1$.

First, let us notice that $c^2 = c \cdot c$, and since c is positive, $c \cdot c$ is positive (by properties of positive real numbers). Thus, $c^2 > 0$.

Also, we want to show that $c^2 < c$. But this will happen if $c - c^2 \in \mathbb{P}$. So let us check. $c - c^2 = c(1 - c)$. Since

$c < 1$, $1 - c$ is positive. We know that c is positive.

Thus, a product of positive numbers is positive. Thus $c - c^2 \in \mathbb{P}$ and we can conclude that $c > c^2$. By transitivity we can sum up all the results and conclude that $0 < c^2 < c < 1$.

Also, we want to show that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, c^n \leq c$.

We use induction.

base case $n=1$

$$c^1 = c \leq c$$

thus, base case is satisfied.

inductive step

assume it is true for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Thus $c^k \leq c$.

We want to show that $c^{k+1} \leq c$.

We know that $c^k \leq c$. Then we can multiply both sides by c and the sign will not change, since $c > 0$.

$$c^k \cdot c \leq c \cdot c \Rightarrow c^{k+1} \leq c \cdot c$$

But from the part a) of this problem we know that $c \cdot c < c$. Thus, we can conclude that $c^{k+1} \leq c \cdot c < c$. So, by PMI, $c^k \leq c \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$
 $c < 1$

b) let $c > 1$

We want to show that $c^2 > c > 1$

$c^2 > c$ iff $c^2 - c$ is positive. But we know that $c^2 - c = c(c-1)$, and since c is positive, $c-1$ is positive (because $c > 1$), and the product of two positive numbers is positive, then $c^2 - c$ is positive and we can conclude that $c^2 > c$. Consequently, by transitivity, we can conclude that $c^2 > c > 1$

Also, we want to show that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, c^n \geq c$

We use induction.

base case $n=1$

$$c^1 = c \geq c$$

thus, base case is satisfied



inductive step

assume it is true for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Then, $c^k \geq c$

We want to show that $c^{k+1} \geq c$

We know that $c^k \geq c$. Then we can multiply both sides by c and the sign will not change, since $c > 0$

$$c^k \cdot c \geq c \cdot c \Rightarrow c^{k+1} \geq c \cdot c$$

But from part b) of this problem we know that $c \cdot c > c$. Thus we can conclude that $c^{k+1} \geq c^2 > c$.

So, by PMI, $c^k \geq c \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, c > 1$

Problem 5

a) let $a \in \mathbb{R}$

We want to show that $|a| = \sqrt{a^2}$

We have three cases

Case 1 $a = 0$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} |0| = 0 \\ \sqrt{0^2} = \sqrt{0} = 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{ so } |0| = \sqrt{0^2}$$

Case 2 $a > 0$. Since $a > 0$, then $a^2 > 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} |a| &= a \\ \sqrt{a^2} &= \sqrt{|a|^2} = \sqrt{|a||a|} = \sqrt{|a|a} = \sqrt{|a|^2} = |a| = a \end{aligned}$$

Case 3 $a < 0$, let $b = -a$. Thus, $b > 0$

$$|a| = -a = b$$

$$\sqrt{a^2} = \sqrt{((-1)b)^2} = \sqrt{(-1)^2 b^2} = \sqrt{(-1)^2} \sqrt{b^2}$$

we know from b) of theorem 2.2.2 (p. 32) that $|a|^2 = a^2 \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$
thus, $(-1)^2 = |-1|^2$ and therefore

$$\sqrt{(-1)^2} \sqrt{b^2} = \sqrt{1} \sqrt{b^2} = \sqrt{b^2} = b$$

↑
from case 2

Thus, $|a| = \sqrt{a^2}$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$

b) let $a < x < b$
 $a < y < b$

We want to show that $|x - y| < b - a$

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By theorem 2.1.7 c) (page 27) we can conclude that

$$a < y < b \Rightarrow a(-1) > y(-1) > b(-1) \\ -a > -y > -b$$

Now we add

$$\begin{array}{r} a < x < b \\ + \quad -b < -y < -a \\ \hline -b+a < x-y < b-a \end{array}$$

Since $b-a > 0$, from theorem 2.2.2 c) (page 32) we conclude that $|x-y| < b-a$ ✓

Problem 6

$$|x| + |x+1| < 2$$

$ x $	-	-	+
$ x+1 $	-	+	+

for $x > 0$

$$|x| + |x+1| = x + x + 1 < 2$$

$$2x < 1$$

$$x < \frac{1}{2}, \text{ thus } x \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$$

for $x \in [-1, 0]$

$$|x| + |x+1| = -x + x + 1 < 2$$

$$1 < 2$$

$$\text{thus } x \in [-1, 0]$$

for $x < -1$

$$|x| + |x+1| = -x - x - 1 < 2$$

$$-2x < 3 \\ x > -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{thus } x \in (-\frac{3}{2}, -1)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{thus,} \\ x \in (-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) \end{array} \right\}$$

Problem 7

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let $\varepsilon > 0$, $\delta > 0$, $a \in \mathbb{R}$

$$V_\varepsilon(a) \cap V_\delta(a)$$

$$V_\varepsilon(a) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x-a| < \varepsilon\}$$

$$V_\delta(a) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x-a| < \delta\}$$

$$V_\varepsilon(a) \cap V_\delta(a) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x-a| < \varepsilon \text{ and } |x-a| < \delta\} \text{ . Thus}$$

$$a) V_\gamma(a) = V_\varepsilon(a) \cap V_\delta(a) \text{ iff } \gamma = \min(\varepsilon, \delta)$$

$$V_\varepsilon(a) \cup V_\delta(a) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x-a| < \varepsilon \text{ or } |x-a| < \delta\} \text{ . Thus}$$

$$b) V_\gamma(a) = V_\varepsilon(a) \cup V_\delta(a) \text{ iff } \gamma = \max(\varepsilon, \delta)$$

a) explanation

$x \in V_\varepsilon(a) \cap V_\delta(a) \Rightarrow |x-a| < \varepsilon$ and $|x-a| < \delta$ but since $\gamma = \min(\varepsilon, \delta)$,

$|x-a| < \gamma$ and thus $x \in V_\gamma(a)$

$x \in V_\gamma(a) \Rightarrow |x-a| < \gamma \Rightarrow$ 'since $\gamma = \min(\varepsilon, \delta)$,

$|x-a| < \varepsilon$ and $|x-a| < \delta$ and thus $x \in V_\varepsilon(a) \cap V_\delta(a)$.

Therefore, $V_\gamma(a) = V_\varepsilon(a) \cap V_\delta(a)$

b) Explanation is exact same as in a), only "n" changes into "u", "min" changes into "max", and "and" changes into "or".

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$$a, b \in \mathbb{R} \quad a \neq b$$



without loss of generality, assume $a < b$.

$$\text{let } \varepsilon = \frac{b-a}{2} \quad (\varepsilon > 0, \text{ since } b > a)$$

Then

$$U = V_\varepsilon(a) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid |x-a| < \varepsilon\}$$

$$\frac{a-b}{2} < x-a < \frac{b-a}{2}$$

$$\frac{3a-b}{2} < x < \frac{b+a}{2}$$

$$U = \left\{x \in \left(\frac{3a-b}{2}, \frac{b+a}{2}\right)\right\}$$

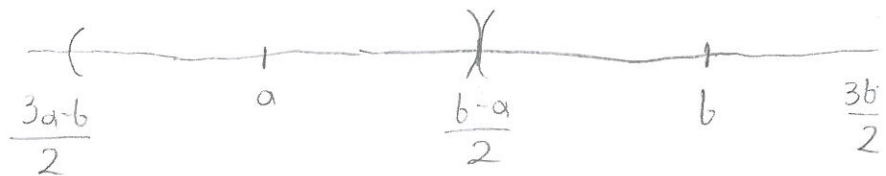
$$V = V_\varepsilon(b) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid |x-b| < \varepsilon\}$$

$$\frac{a-b}{2} < x-b < \frac{b-a}{2}$$

$$\frac{b+a}{2} < x < \frac{3b-a}{2}$$

$$V = \left\{x \in \left(\frac{b+a}{2}, \frac{3b-a}{2}\right)\right\}$$

$$\text{Thus } U \cap V = \emptyset$$



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$$a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$a) \max\{a, b\} = \frac{1}{2}(a+b+|a-b|)$$

if $\max(a, b) = a \Rightarrow a > b$, then $\frac{1}{2}(a+b+|a-b|) = \frac{1}{2}(a+b+a-b) = a$ (since $a-b > 0$)
 if $\max(a, b) = b \Rightarrow b > a$, then $\frac{1}{2}(a+b+|a-b|) = \frac{1}{2}(a+b-a+b) = b$ (since $a-b < 0$)
 thus, $\frac{1}{2}(a+b+|a-b|) = \max\{a, b\}$

$$\min \{a, b\} = \frac{1}{2} (a + b - |a - b|)$$

if $\min \{a, b\} = a$, then $a < b$ and thus $a - b < 0$. Thus

$$\frac{1}{2} (a + b - |a - b|) = \frac{1}{2} (a + b - (b - a)) = a$$

if $\min \{a, b\} = b$, then $a > b$ and thus $a - b > 0$. Thus

$$\frac{1}{2} (a + b - |a - b|) = \frac{1}{2} (a + b - (a - b)) = b$$

$$\text{Thus, } \min \{a, b\} = \frac{1}{2} (a + b - |a - b|)$$

$$b) \min \{a, b, c\} = \min \{ \min \{a, b\}, c \}$$

* i) if $\min \{a, b, c\} = a$, then $\min \{a, b\} = a$ and $\min \{a, c\} = a$

* ii) if $\min \{a, b, c\} = b$, then $\min \{a, b\} = b$ and $\min \{b, c\} = b$

* iii) if $\min \{a, b, c\} = c$, then $\min \{a, b\} = a$ or $\min \{a, b\} = b$

if $\min \{a, b\} = a$, then $\min \{a, c\} = c$

if $\min \{a, b\} = b$, then $\min \{b, c\} = c$

* i) $\min \{a, b, c\} = a$ means $a > b$ & $a > c$

* ii) $\min \{a, b, c\} = b$ means $b > a$ & $b > c$

* iii) $\min \{a, b, c\} = c$ means $c > a$ & $c > b$

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$a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$

You could have assumed just $a \leq b \leq c$.

want to show:

The other cases is just the renaming of this case.

$$\min\{a, b, c\} = \min\{\max\{a, b\}, \max\{b, c\}, \max\{c, a\}\}$$

(I) if $\min\{a, b, c\} = a$, then $b < a < c$ or $c < a < b$

① if $b < a < c$, then $\max\{a, b\} = a$, $\max\{b, c\} = c$, $\max\{c, a\} = c$,
and thus $\min\{a, c, c\} = a$

② if $c < a < b$, then $\max\{a, b\} = b$, $\max\{b, c\} = b$, $\max\{c, a\} = a$,
and thus $\min\{b, b, a\} = a$

(II) if $\min\{a, b, c\} = b$, then $a < b < c$ or $c < b < a$

③ if $a < b < c$, then $\max\{a, b\} = b$, $\max\{b, c\} = c$, $\max\{c, a\} = c$,
and thus $\min\{b, c, c\} = b$

④ if $c < b < a$, then $\max\{a, b\} = a$, $\max\{b, c\} = b$, $\max\{c, a\} = a$,
and thus $\min\{a, b, a\} = b$

(III) if $\min\{a, b, c\} = c$, then $a < c < b$ or $b < c < a$

⑤ if $a < c < b$, then $\max\{a, b\} = b$, $\max\{b, c\} = b$, $\max\{c, a\} = c$,
and thus $\min\{b, b, c\} = c$

⑥ if $b < c < a$, then $\max\{a, b\} = a$, $\max\{b, c\} = c$, $\max\{c, a\} = a$,
and thus $\min\{a, c, a\} = c$

Thus, we can conclude that

$$\min\{a, b, c\} = \min\{\max\{a, b\}, \max\{b, c\}, \max\{c, a\}\}$$

