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**MATH 2050C Mathematical Analysis I**  
**Tutorial 1 (January 18)**

The following were discussed in the tutorial this week:

## 1 Negation

**Example 1.1.** *Negate the following statements.*

- (a)  $n$  is a prime number between 1 and 10.
- (b) If  $n^2$  is divisible by 4, then  $n$  is divisible by 2.
- (c) For any real number  $x$ ,  $x^2 \geq 0$ .
- (d) For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $1/N < \varepsilon$ .

## 2 Functions

**Definition 2.1.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets. Then a function from  $A$  to  $B$  is a set  $f$  of ordered pairs in  $A \times B$  such that for each  $a \in A$  there exists a unique  $b \in B$  with  $(a, b) \in f$ .  $A$  and  $B$  are called the domain and codomain of  $f$ , respectively. Denote the function  $f$  as  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and write  $b = f(a)$  if and only if  $(a, b) \in f$ .*

**Definition 2.2.** *Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function.*

- (a) *Let  $E \subseteq A$ . Define the direct image of  $E$  under  $f$ ,  $f(E)$ , by*

$$f(E) := \{f(x) : x \in E\}.$$

- (b) *Let  $H \subseteq B$ . Define the inverse image of  $H$  under  $f$ ,  $f^{-1}(H)$ , by*

$$f^{-1}(H) := \{x \in A : f(x) \in H\}.$$

**Example 2.1.** *Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function.*

- (a) *Show that if  $E \subseteq A$ , then  $f^{-1}(f(E)) \supseteq E$ . Give an example to show that equality need not hold.*
- (b) *Show that if  $H \subseteq B$ , then  $f(f^{-1}(H)) \subseteq H$ . Give an example to show that equality need not hold.*

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function from  $A$  to  $B$ .

(a)  $f$  is said to be injective if

$$\text{for all } x_1, x_2 \in A, \quad f(x_1) = f(x_2) \implies x_1 = x_2.$$

(b)  $f$  is said to be surjective if

$$\text{for all } y \in B, \text{ there exists } x \in A \text{ such that } f(x) = y.$$

(c)  $f$  is said to be bijective if  $f$  is both injective and surjective. In this case  $f$  has an inverse function  $f^{-1} : B \rightarrow A$  which satisfies

$$b = f(a) \quad \text{if and only if} \quad a = f^{-1}(b).$$

**Example 2.2.** Show that the function  $f$  defined by  $f(x) := x/\sqrt{x^2+1}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , is a bijection of  $\mathbb{R}$  onto  $\{y : -1 < y < 1\}$ .

### 3 Mathematical Induction

**3.1 Well-Ordering Property of  $\mathbb{N}$ .** Every nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  has a least element.

**3.2 Principle of Mathematical Induction.** Let  $S$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  that possesses the following two properties:

(1)  $1 \in S$ .

(2) For every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $k \in S$ , then  $k+1 \in S$ .

Then we have  $S = \mathbb{N}$ .

**Example 3.1.** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence defined by  $x_1 = 1$  and  $x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{5}(3x_n + 4)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Show that  $x_n \leq x_{n+1} \leq 2$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**3.3 Principle of Strong Induction.** Let  $S$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  that possesses the following two properties:

(1)  $1 \in S$ .

(2) For every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $\{1, 2, \dots, k\} \subseteq S$ , then  $k+1 \in S$ .

Then we have  $S = \mathbb{N}$ .

**Remark.** (3.1), (3.2) and (3.3) are all equivalent.

## 4 Finite and Infinite Sets

**Definition 4.1.** (a) The empty set  $\emptyset$  is said to have 0 elements.

(b) If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , a set  $S$  is said to have  $n$  elements if there exists a bijection from the set  $\mathbb{N}_n := \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  onto  $S$ .

(c) A set is said to be finite if it is either empty or it has  $n$  elements for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(d) A set is said to be infinite if it is not finite.

**Definition 4.2.** (a) A set  $S$  is said to be denumerable (or countably infinite) if there exists a bijection of  $\mathbb{N}$  onto  $S$ .

(b) A set  $S$  is said to be countable if it is either finite or denumerable.

(c) A set  $S$  is said to be uncountable if it is not countable.

**Example 4.1.** Show that  $\mathbb{Z}$  is denumerable.

**Theorem 4.1.**  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  is denumerable.

**Theorem 4.2.**  $\mathbb{Q}$  is denumerable.

## 5 Inequalities and Absolute Value

**Example 5.1.** Determine the set  $A := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \frac{2x+1}{x+2} < 1\}$ .

**Definition 5.1.** The absolute value of a real number  $a$ , denoted by  $|a|$ , is defined by

$$a := \begin{cases} a & \text{if } a > 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } a = 0, \\ -a & \text{if } a < 0. \end{cases}$$

**Example 5.2.** Determine the set  $B := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x| + |x+1| < 2\}$ .

## 6 Classwork

1. Negate the following statements.
  - (a) For any subset  $S$  of  $\mathbb{N}$ , if  $S \neq \emptyset$ , then there exists  $m \in S$  such that  $m \leq n$  for all  $n \in S$ .
  - (b) There exists an  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that for any natural number  $N$ ,  $|n - m| \geq \varepsilon$  for some  $n, m \geq N$ .
  - (c) For any integer  $n \geq 3$ , there are no three integers  $a, b, c$  that satisfy  $a^n + b^n = c^n$ .
2. Show that the sum of a rational number and an irrational number is an irrational number.
3. Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function.
  - (a) Show that if  $E \subseteq A$ , then  $f^{-1}(f(E)) \supseteq E$ . Give an example to show that equality need not hold. What if we further assume that  $f$  is injective?
  - (b) Show that if  $H \subseteq B$ , then  $f(f^{-1}(H)) \subseteq H$ . Give an example to show that equality need not hold. What if we further assume that  $f$  is surjective?
4. Let the number  $x_n$  be defined as follows:  $x_1 := 1$ ,  $x_2 := 2$ , and  $x_{n+2} := \frac{1}{2}(x_n + x_{n+1})$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Use the Principle of Strong Induction (1.2.5) to show that  $1 \leq x_n \leq 2$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
5. Determine the set  $A := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x - 3| < |x| + 1\}$ .