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Math Analysis I  
HW 1  
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1) For two sets  $A$  and  $B$  show that the following statements are equivalent.

a)  $A \subseteq B$

b)  $A \cup B = B$

c)  $A \cap B = A$

Hint: Show that  $a) \Rightarrow b)$ ,  $b) \Rightarrow c)$  and  $c) \Rightarrow a)$

2) Give a simple description of each of the following sets

a)  $\bigcap_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \left[-\frac{1}{k}, \frac{1}{k}\right]$

b)  $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \left[-\frac{1}{k}, 0\right]$

c)  $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \left[-k, \frac{1}{k}\right)$

d)  $\bigcap_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \left[-\frac{k-1}{k}, \frac{k+1}{k}\right]$

3)

Establish the following set theoretic relations:

- a)  $A \cup B = B \cup A$ ,  $A \cap B = B \cap A$  (Commutativity)
- b)  $A \cup (B \cup C) = (A \cup B) \cup C$ ,  $A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C$  (Associativity)
- c)  $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$  and  $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$  (Distributivity)
- d)  $A \subseteq B \iff B^c \subseteq A^c$
- e)  $A \setminus B = A \cap B^c$
- f)  $(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$  and  $(A \cap B)^c = A^c \cup B^c$  (De Morgan's laws)

Note that for  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , the complement of  $A$ , written  $A^c$ , refers to the set of all elements of  $\mathbb{R}$  not in  $A$ . Thus,

$$A^c = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \notin A\}$$

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4) Use the induction argument to prove that

$$1 + 2 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

for all natural numbers  $n \geq 1$ .

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5) Use the induction argument to prove that  $n^3 + 5n$  is divisible by 6 for all natural numbers  $n \geq 1$ .

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6) Let  $f, g$  be two functions defined from  $\mathbb{R}$  into  $\mathbb{R}$ . Translate using quantifiers the following statements:

- a)  $f$  is bounded above;
- b)  $f$  is bounded;
- c)  $f$  is even;
- d)  $f$  is odd;
- e)  $f$  is never equal to 0;
- f)  $f$  is periodic;
- g)  $f$  is increasing;
- h)  $f$  is strictly increasing;
- i)  $f$  is not the 0 function;
- j)  $f$  does not have the same value at two different points;
- k)  $f$  is less than  $g$ ;
- l)  $f$  is not less than  $g$ .

7) Consider the four statements

- (a)  $\exists x \in \mathbb{R} \forall y \in \mathbb{R} \quad x + y > 0$ ;
- (b)  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \exists y \in \mathbb{R} \quad x + y > 0$ ;
- (c)  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \forall y \in \mathbb{R} \quad x + y > 0$ ;
- (d)  $\exists x \in \mathbb{R} \forall y \in \mathbb{R} \quad y^2 > x$ .

- a) Are the statements  $a, b, c, d$  true or false ?
- b) Find their negations.

8) Show by induction that if  $X$  is a finite set with  $n$  elements, then  $\mathcal{P}(X)$ , the power set of  $X$  (i.e. the set of subsets of  $X$ ), has  $2^n$  elements.