

Homework Set 2

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To be handed in:*Please remember that all problems will be graded!*

1. [Ross, Exercises 4.1-4.4] Answer the following questions about each of the sets:

$$A = (-1, 1), \quad B = \{\pi, e\}, \quad C = \left\{ \frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } n \text{ is prime} \right\},$$
$$D = \{x^2 : x \in \mathbb{R}\}, \quad E = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[-\frac{1}{n}, 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right], \quad F = \left\{ \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{3}\right) : n \in \mathbb{N} \right\}.$$

- (i) Is it bounded from below? (If so, exhibit an explicit lower bound.)
- (ii) Is it bounded from above? (If so, exhibit an explicit upper bound.)
- (iii) Compute its infimum.
- (iv) Compute its supremum.

Recall that $\inf S = -\infty$ if S is unbounded from below; and $\sup S = +\infty$ if S is unbounded from above, as we chose to convention in Video 4 of Lecture 4.

2. [Ross, Exercises 4.7(a), 5.6] Let
- $S, T \subset \mathbb{R}$
- be nonempty subsets of
- \mathbb{R}
- , such that
- $S \subset T$
- . Prove that

$$\inf T \leq \inf S \leq \sup S \leq \sup T.$$

Give concrete examples of sets S and T to show that some (which?) inequalities above might be equalities even if $S \subsetneq T$, i.e., even if S and T do not coincide.