

Calculus – 2. Series

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1. (a) Let

$$M = \left\{ \frac{1}{2^n} + \frac{1}{m} \mid m, n \in \mathbb{N} \right\}.$$

Compute $\max M$, $\min M$, $\sup M$, and $\inf M$ if they exist.

- (b) Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}_+$ be a set with $\inf A > 0$. Prove that

$$\sup A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\inf A},$$

where $A^{-1} = \{1/a \mid a \in A\}$.

2. Solve for $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$|2x - 4| < |x - 1|.$$

3. Solve for $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{1}{x+1} \geq 1.$$

4. Define a relation \prec on $\mathbb{R}^2 = \{(x, y) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$ by

$$(x, y) \prec (x', y') \quad \text{if} \quad (x < x' \quad \text{or} \quad (x = x' \quad \text{and} \quad y < y')).$$

Prove that (\mathbb{R}^2, \prec) is an ordered set. Is (\mathbb{R}^2, \prec) order complete?

5. Let n be a positive integer and x_1, \dots, x_n real numbers. Prove that

$$\left| \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \right| \leq \sum_{k=1}^n |x_k|, \tag{1}$$

$$\left| \prod_{k=1}^n x_k \right| = \prod_{k=1}^n |x_k|. \tag{2}$$