

Exercises given with a numbering are from *Basic Analysis: Introduction to Real Analysis (Vol I)* by J. Lebl.

**Reading** Sections 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 2.1

**Exercises**

1. Suppose  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x < y$ . Prove that there exists  $i \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $x < i < y$ .
2. Let  $E \subset (0, 1)$  be the set of all real numbers with decimal representation using only the digits 1 and 2:

$$E := \{x \in (0, 1) : \forall j \in \mathbb{N}, \exists d_{-j} \in \{1, 2\} \text{ such that } x = 0.d_{-1}d_{-2}\dots\}$$

Prove that  $|E| = |\wp(\mathbb{N})|$ . *Hint:* Consider the function  $f : E \rightarrow \wp(\mathbb{N})$  such that if  $x \in E$ ,  $x = 0.d_{-1}d_{-2}\dots$ ,

$$f(x) = \{j \in \mathbb{N} : d_{-j} = 2\}.$$

3. (a) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two disjoint, countably infinite sets. Prove that  $A \cup B$  is countably infinite.  
(b) Prove that the set of irrational numbers,  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ , is uncountable. You may use the facts discussed in the lectures that  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  is infinite and  $\mathbb{R}$  is uncountable without proof.
4. Let  $A$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  which is bounded above, and let  $a_0$  be an upper bound for  $A$ . Prove that  $a_0 = \sup A$  if and only if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $a \in A$  such that  $a_0 - \epsilon < a$ .
5. We say a set  $U \subset \mathbb{R}$  is *open* if for every  $x \in U$  there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  such that

$$(x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon) \subset U.$$

Since the definition is vacuous for  $U = \emptyset$ , it follows that the empty set is open. It is also clear from the definition that  $U = \mathbb{R}$  is open.

- (a) Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ . Prove that the sets  $(-\infty, a)$ ,  $(a, b)$ , and  $(b, \infty)$  are open.
- (b) Let  $\Lambda$  be a set (not necessarily a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ ), and for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ , let  $U_\lambda \subset \mathbb{R}$ . Prove that if  $U_\lambda$  is open for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  then the set

$$\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} U_\lambda = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \exists \lambda \in \Lambda \text{ such that } x \in U_\lambda\}$$

is open.

- (c) Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and let  $U_1, \dots, U_n \subset \mathbb{R}$ . Prove that if  $U_1, \dots, U_n$  are open then the set

$$\bigcap_{m=1}^n U_m = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \in U_m \text{ for all } m = 1, \dots, n\}$$

is an open set.

(d) Is the set of rationals  $\mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}$  open? Provide a proof to substantiate your claim.

6. Prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{20n^2 + 20n + 2020} = 0.$$

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