

SCAN 1 — Solution of Math Test #1

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Exercise 1.

1. a) For $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$(a+b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^k b^{n-k}.$$

b)

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n} q^{n} = \begin{cases} n+1 & \text{if } q = 1\\ \frac{1-q^{n+1}}{1-q} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

2. Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$. By the Binomial Theorem we have:

$$\sum_{j=0}^{k} \binom{k}{j} x^{2j} = \sum_{j=0}^{k} \binom{k}{j} (x^2)^j 1^{k-j} = (1+x^2)^k$$

In particular, this sum is not nil, hence S is well defined, and:

$$S = \sum_{k=0}^{n} \frac{1}{\left(1+x^{2}\right)^{k}} = \sum_{k=0}^{n} \left(\frac{1}{1+x^{2}}\right)^{k}.$$

There are two cases:

- if x = 0, then $q = 1/(1 + x^2) = 1$ and we have S = n + 1,
- if $x \neq 0$, then $q = 1/(1 + x^2) \neq 1$ and we have:

$$S = \frac{1 - q^{n+1}}{1 - q} = \frac{1 - \frac{1}{(1 + x^2)^{n+1}}}{1 - \frac{1}{1 + x^2}} = \frac{1}{x^2} + 1 + \frac{1}{x^2} \left(\frac{1}{1 + x^2}\right)^n.$$

Exercise 2.

1. We know that $\sin(\pi/6) = 1/2 \ge 0$ (and also that $\pi/6 \ge 0$) hence, from (*):

 $\frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{\pi}{6}$

hence $\pi \geq 3$.

2.

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \sin\frac{\pi}{3}\cos\frac{\pi}{4} - \cos\frac{\pi}{3}\sin\frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(\sqrt{3} - 1)$$
$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \cos\frac{\pi}{3}\cos\frac{\pi}{4} + \sin\frac{\pi}{3}\sin\frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(\sqrt{3} + 1)$$
$$\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right) = \frac{\sin(\pi/2)}{\cos(\pi/12)} = \frac{\sqrt{3} - 1}{\sqrt{3} + 1}$$

3. From (*) (with $\sin(\pi/12) \ge 0$ and $\pi/12 \ge 0$):

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right) \le \frac{\pi}{12}$$

hence

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\left(\sqrt{3}-1\right) \le \frac{\pi}{12}$$

 $\pi \ge \frac{12}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\sqrt{3} - 1\right) = 3\sqrt{2} \left(\sqrt{3} - 1\right)$

hence



Figure 1 – Graph of function f of Exercise 3

Exercise 3.

- 1. See Figure 1.
- 2. The range of f is $f(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}^*_+$.
- 3. f is not surjective since its range is \mathbb{R}^*_+ which is different from its codomain which is \mathbb{R} .
 - f is not injective since f(-1) = -1/(-1) = 1 = f(1) yet $-1 \neq 1$.
 - f is not bijective (since not surjective).

4.

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbb{R}_{+}) &= \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}, & f^{[-1]}(\mathbb{R}_{-}) &= \emptyset, \\ f(\mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}) &= \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}, & f^{[-1]}([1, +\infty)) &= [-1, 0] \cup [1, +\infty), \\ f([0, 1)) &= (0, 1], & f^{[-1]}((-\infty, 1]) &= (-\infty, -1] \cup [0, 1], \\ f((-1, 0]) &= [1, +\infty), & f^{[-1]}([1, 2)) &= \left[-1, -\frac{1}{2}\right] \cup \{0\} \cup [1, 2). \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 4.

- 1. Since the codomain of f is equal to (hence included in) its domain, $f \circ f$ is well-defined.
- 2. f is injective: let $x, y \in A$ such that f(x) = f(y). Then (applying f) yields

$$(f \circ f)(x) = (f \circ f)(y)$$

i.e., g(x) = g(y). Since g is injective, we conclude that x = y. Hence f is injective. • f is surjective: let $y \in A$. Since g is surjective, there exists $a \in A$ such that g(a) = y. Define x = f(a). We then have:

$$f(x) = f(f(a)) = g(a) = y.$$

Hence there exists $x \in A$ such that f(y) = x. Hence f is surjective.

Hence f is a bijection.

Exercise 5.

1. Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$. In order for f(x-1) + 2 to be well defined, we need $x - 1 \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1\}$, i.e., $x \in \mathbb{R}^*$. Then $f(x-1) + 2 \in \mathbb{R}$ as required (for the codomain of g). Conclusion: $D_g = \mathbb{R}^*$.

We now simplify g: for $x \in \mathbb{R}^*$,

$$g(x) = f(x-1) + 2 = \frac{2(x-1)^2 + 2(x-1) + 1}{x} + 2 = \frac{2x^2 - 4x + 2 + 2x - 2 + 1}{x} + 2$$
$$= \frac{2x^2 - 2x + 1}{x} + 2 = \frac{2x^2 + 1}{x}$$
$$= 2x + \frac{1}{x}.$$

The domain of g is symmetric with respect to the origin. We now show g is odd: let $x \in \mathbb{R}^*$. Then

$$g(-x) = -2x - \frac{1}{x} = -g(x)$$

hence g is odd.

2. • g is increasing on $\left[1/\sqrt{2}, +\infty\right)$: let $x, y \in \left[1/\sqrt{2}, +\infty\right)$ such that x < y. Then, by the given hint:

$$g(x) - g(y) = \frac{(2xy - 1)(x - y)}{xy}$$

We know that $1/\sqrt{2} \le x < y$, hence 1/2 < xy hence (2xy - 1) > 0. Finally, since x - y < 0 and xy > 0 we conclude that g(x) - g(y) < 0 hence g(x) < g(y).

- g is decreasing on $(0, 1/\sqrt{2}]$: let $x, y \in (0, 1/\sqrt{2}]$ such that x < y. This time we have $0 < x < y \le 1/\sqrt{2}$ so that xy < 1/2 and (2xy 1) < 0. We still have x y < 0 and xy > 0 so that g(x) g(y) > 0 hence g(x) > g(y).
- 3. Notice that

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1\}, \ f(x) = g(x+1) - 2$$

so that the graph of f is obtained from that of g by a horizontal translation by 1 (to the left), and by a vertical translation by 2 (downward). See Figure 2.

Exercise 6.

- (P_1) is false: $x = y = 1/2 \in A$ but $x + y = 1 \notin A$.
- (P_2) is true: let $x \in A$. We define y = (1-x)/2. We show that $y \in A$ and that $x + y \in A$: since 0 < x < 1 we conclude that 0 < 1 x < 1 and hence 0 < (1-x)/2 < 1/2 < 1 so that $y \in A$. Now x + y = (1+x)/2. Since 0 < x < 1 we conclude that 1/2 < (1+x)/2 < 1 hence $(1+x)/2 \in A$.
- (P_3) is false: its negation is:

$$\neg(P_3) \qquad \forall x \in A, \ \exists y \in A, \ x + y \notin A.$$

which is true: let $x \in A$. Since 0 < x < 1, we have 0 < 1 - x < 1. Now set $y = 1 - x \in A$, and we obtain $x + y = 1 \notin A$.



Figure 2 – Graph of the functions f and g (dashed) of Exercise 5. The graph of f is obtained from that of g by a horizontal translation to the left by 1 and a vertical translation, downward, by 2.