

Math 330 - Number Systems - Section 2 - Spring 2026

Selected Solutions for Spring 2026 Midterms

0.1 Midterm 1

Ver A #1; Ver B #5 (means problem 1 of Ver A which is problem 5 of Ver B):

#1a, #1b, #1c: See Lecture Notes **#1d:** **False, True, not $p \Rightarrow q, p \Rightarrow \text{not } q$**

Ver A #2; Ver B #6: See Lecture Notes, Ch.5.2.5

Ver A #3; Ver B #1: $\forall r > 0 \exists x \in X$ such that $\forall i \in I f(r, x) > u_i$

Ver A #4; Ver B #2: **Base cases:** $n = 0, 1: 0 = 0 \cdot 3^0; 3 = 1 \cdot 3^1$.

IA: have some n s.t. $x_j = j3^j$ for all $0 \leq j \leq n$. NTS $x_{n+1} = (n+1)3^{n+1}$.

Proof: LS = $x_{n+1} = 6x_n - 9x_{n-1} \stackrel{\text{IA}}{=} 6n3^n - 9(n-1)3^{n-1} = \dots$ etc. = RS

Ver A #5; Ver B #7: (a) $h, h' \in H \Rightarrow h, h' \in H_i \forall i \Rightarrow h \diamond h' \in H_i \forall i \Rightarrow h \diamond h' \in \bigcap_i H_i$.

(b) $h \in H \Rightarrow h \in H_i \forall i \Rightarrow h^{-1} (= \text{unique inverse in } G) \in H_i \forall i \Rightarrow h^{-1} \in \bigcap_i H_i$.

(c) $e (= \text{neutral elem. of } G) \in H_i \forall i \Rightarrow e \in \bigcap_i H_i$.

then $h^{-1} \in H$ **(c)** $e \in H$ ($e = \text{neutral element of } G$)

Ver A #6; Ver B #3: $m := \max(A) \stackrel{\text{def.max}}{\implies} \text{(a)} m \in A, \text{(b)} m \in A_{\text{uppb}}$.

From **(a):** $m \leq u \forall u \in A_{\text{uppb}}$ From that + **(b):** $m \stackrel{\text{def.min}}{=} \min(A_{\text{uppb}})$. Thus, $m \stackrel{\text{def.sup}}{=} \sup(A)$.

Ver A #7; Ver B #4: Let $F(n) := n^3 + 2n$. Base case: True, since $F(1) = 3 = 1 \cdot 3$.

IA: Have some n for which $\exists j \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $F(n) = 3j$. NTS: $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $F(n+1) = 3k$.

Proof: By simple arithmetic, $F(n+1) = \dots = F(n) + 3(n^2 + n + 1) \stackrel{\text{IA}}{=} 3j + 3(n^2 + n + 1)$. Now, define $k := j + n^2 + n + 1$. Done.