

Due In Class: Thursday, September 17

Reading: If you haven't done so already, please take a glance at *Some Remarks on Writing Mathematical Proofs* by John M. Lee, available at

<http://www.math.washington.edu/~lee/Writing/writing-proofs.pdf>

Start reading Chapter 2 in the textbook.

Prove the following statements.

Theorem 1. *Let X and Y be arbitrary sets. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is surjective if and only if f has a right inverse g , i.e. a function $g : Y \rightarrow X$ such that $f(g(y)) = y$ for all $y \in Y$.*

Theorem 2 (Exercise 2.2). *The set of algebraic complex numbers is countable.*

Theorem 3 (Exercise 2.4). *The set of irrational real numbers is uncountable.*

Theorem 4 (Exercise 2.7). *Let A_1, A_2, \dots be subsets of a metric space. Then:*

- (a) *For all $n \geq 1$, $\overline{\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i} = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \overline{A_i}$.*
- (b) *The set $\overline{\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i} \supseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \overline{A_i}$.*
- (c) *The previous inclusion may be strict.*

Theorem 5 (Exercise 2.8). *Let $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ be an open set. Every point of U is an accumulation point of U .*

Theorem 6. *Every closed ball in a metric space (i.e. a set of the form $\overline{B}(x, r) = \{y : \text{dist}(x, y) \leq r\}$) is a closed set.*