

Homework Two, due September 2

1. Suppose  $A$  and  $B$  are subsets of the set  $X$ . Prove the **DeMorgan Laws**:

$$X \sim (A \cup B) = (X \sim A) \cap (X \sim B) \quad \text{and} \quad X \sim (A \cap B) = (X \sim A) \cup (X \sim B).$$

1. Do Exercise 1.4 in **Sets, relations and functions**.

2. Suppose

$$f : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^m.$$

We say  $f$  is **affine** if

$$f((1-t)\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{y}) = (1-t)f(\mathbf{x}) + tf(\mathbf{y}) \quad \text{whenever } t \in \mathbf{R} \text{ and } \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{R}^n.$$

Show that  $f$  is affine if and only if there are an  $m \times n$  matrix  $M$  and a vector  $\mathbf{b}$  in  $\mathbf{R}^m$  such that

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = M\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}.$$

Note that in case  $m = 1$  and  $n = 1$  this amounts to saying there are real numbers  $m$  and  $b$  such that

$$f(x) = mx + b \quad \text{whenever } x \in \mathbf{R}.$$

**BIG Hint:** Suppose  $f$  is affine. Let  $g(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{0})$  for  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Show that

$$(1) \quad g(c\mathbf{x}) = cg(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{whenever } c \in \mathbf{R} \text{ and } \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$$

and

$$(2) \quad g(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = g(\mathbf{x}) + g(\mathbf{y}) \quad \text{whenever } \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{R}^n.$$

Such a  $g$  is said to be **linear**. Use (1) to show (2). Let  $\mathbf{b} = f(\mathbf{0})$ . Let the  $i, j$  entry of  $M$  be the  $i$ -th component of  $g(\mathbf{e}_j)$  where  $\mathbf{e}_j$  is the vector in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  with 1 as its  $j$ -th component and zeroes for the other components; note that if  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  then  $\mathbf{x} = \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \mathbf{e}_j$ .

3. Suppose  $L$  is a subset of  $\mathbf{R}^2$ . Show that  $L$  is a line in the standard model if and only if there is a nonconstant affine function  $f$  from  $\mathbf{R}^2$  to  $\mathbf{R}$  such that

$$L = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^2 : f(\mathbf{x}) = 0\}.$$

Given a line  $L$ , describe all such affine functions.

4. Show that the betweenness axioms hold in the standard model for Euclidean geometry. Suggestion: In verifying (B3) make use of Exercise 3.