

If $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ and
 $x < y$ and $y < z$ then $x < z$.

If $a, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ and
 $x < y$ then $a + x < a + y$

If $a, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ and
 $x < y$ and $a > 0$
then $ax < ay$.

Example 1.23

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$$\begin{aligned} A &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -2 - \frac{1}{2}x > -4\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -2 - \frac{1}{2}x + 2 > -4 + 2\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -\frac{1}{2}x > -2\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}x > -2 + \frac{1}{2}x\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 > -2 + \frac{1}{2}x\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 + 2 > -2 + \frac{1}{2}x + 2\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 2 > \frac{1}{2}x\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 2 \cdot 2 > 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}x\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 4 > x\} = (\overline{4, \infty}) \cup (-\infty, \overline{4}) \end{aligned}$$

Example 1.24

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 1-x < 3x+2\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -1+1-x < -1+3x+2\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -x < 3x+1\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x-x < x+3x+1\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 < 4x+1\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -1+0 < 4x+1-1\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -1 < 4x\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \frac{1}{4} \cdot (-1) < \frac{1}{4} 4x\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -\frac{1}{4} < x\} \\ &= (-\frac{1}{4}, \infty). \end{aligned}$$

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Example 1.28

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Prove that

if $a, b, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ and
 $x < y$ and $a < b$ then $x+a < y+b$.

Solution: Assume $a, b, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$
and $x < y$ and $a < b$.

To show: $x+a < y+b$.

$x+a < x+b$ (by the additive property of $a < b$ then $x+a < x+b$)

$< y+b$ (by the additive property if $x < y$ then $x+b < y+b$)

So, by transitivity, $x+a < y+b$. //

$A \subseteq B$ if A and B satisfy
if $a \in A$ then $a \in B$.

Example 1.29 Let

$$A = \{4n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \text{ and}$$

$$B = \{2m+2 \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$$

Prove that $A \subseteq B$.

Solution:

To show: If $a \in A$ then $a \in B$.

Assume $a \in A$

To show: $a \in B$.

Since $a \in A$ then there exists
 $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $a = 4n$.

Since $a = 4n$ then

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$$a = 4n$$

$$= 4n - 2 + 2$$

$$= 2(2n-1) + 2.$$

Since $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ then $2n-1 \in \mathbb{Z}$.

So $a \in B$.

So $A \subseteq B$.

Example 1.38 Let

$$A = \{3n+1 \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \text{ and}$$

$$B = \{6m+1 \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$$

Show that $A \subseteq B$ is false.

Solution:

To show: $A \not\subseteq B$

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To show: there exists $a \in A$
such that $a \notin B$.

Let $a = 3 \cdot 1 + 1$. Then $a \in A$.

To show: $a \notin B$.

$$a = 4 = 3 + 1 = 6 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 1.$$

Since $\frac{1}{2} \notin \mathbb{Z}$ then $a \notin B$.

So $A \not\subseteq B$. //