

Problem 5 Chapter 1.

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 Problems (a)-(c) that do
 in-class

5(i) $a < b$ means $b - a > 0$ (or $b - a$ is in P)
 $c < d$ means $d - c > 0$ (or $d - c$ is in P)

By (P11) (closure under addition of P)

$$b - a + (d - c) > 0 \Rightarrow b + d - (a + c) > 0$$

by standard rearrangements

$$\Rightarrow a + c < b + d$$

(ii) $a < b$ means $b - a$ is in P

$-b < -a$ is what we want to show
 and it is equivalent to $-a - (-b)$ is in P

But standard rearrangements show that

$$-a - (-b) = b - a \text{ which by assumption is in } P.$$

(iii) $c > d$ means $d < c$. We also know from part (ii) that $d < c$ is equivalent to $-c < -d$. So this is from here on the same as part (i), except c is $-c$ and d is $-d$.

(iv) $a < b$ means $b - a$ is in P . Now P is closed under multiplication and c is in P , so $c \cdot (b - a)$ is in P , and from that you get $bc - ac$ is in P which means $bc < ac$.

(v) $a < b$ means $b - a > 0$. $c < 0 \Rightarrow -c > 0$.

Closure under multiplication of P means

$$(b - a)(-c) > 0. \text{ Rearrange and get}$$

$$ac - bc > 0 \Rightarrow bc < ac$$

(vi) If $a > 1$ then $a - 1$ is in P .

$a^2 - a = a(a - 1)$ is in P by closure of P under multiplication. So $a < a^2$.

5(vii) If $0 < a < 1$, we know that a is in P .
 $a < 1$. $a < 1$ means $1-a$ is in P . By
closure $a \cdot (1-a) = a - a^2$ is in $P \Rightarrow a^2 < a$.
either

(viii) If a or c is zero it is trivial.
So we have to deal with the case where
 a and c are both nonzero.

$$0 < a < b \quad \text{and} \quad 0 < c < d$$

We are trying to show that $ac < bd$.

I.e., we are trying to show $bd - ac$ is in P .

$$bd - ac = bd - bc + bc - ac = b \cdot (d - c) + (b - a) \cdot c$$

These are four positive things $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$
so by closure under addition and multiplication
we have that $bd - ac$ is in P .

5(ix) Let c be a and d be b .

By (viii) we had $ac < bd$ which becomes
 $a^2 < b^2$

5(x) By trichotomy $\begin{matrix} a < b \\ a = b \\ \text{or } a > b \end{matrix}$

Assume $a = b$. Then $a^2 = b^2$ in violation of $a^2 < b^2$.

Assume $a > b$. Then by (ix) backwards $b^2 < a^2$
in violation again of $a^2 < b^2$. So that leaves

$a < b \leftarrow$ the only possibility of the
trichotomy that we have
not ruled out.

18 (a)-(c) not assigned, but I liked it

18(a) Plug $x_+ = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2}$ into $x^2 + bx + c$.

$$\left(\frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2}\right)^2 + b\left(\frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2}\right) + c$$

$$= \frac{b^2}{4} - \frac{b\sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2} + \frac{1}{4}(b^2 - 4c) - \frac{b^2}{2} + b\frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2} + c$$

$$= 0 \quad \checkmark$$

Plug $x_- = \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2}$ into $x^2 + bx + c$

$$\left(\frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2}\right)^2 + b\left(\frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2}\right) + c$$

$$= \frac{b^2}{4} + \frac{1}{2}b\sqrt{b^2 - 4c} + \frac{1}{4}(b^2 - 4c) - \frac{b^2}{2} - b\frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2} + c$$

$$= 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(b) \quad x^2 + bx + c = \left(x + \frac{b}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{b^2}{4} + c$$

≥ 0 because it is a square > 0 - by assumption

> 0 so can never be zero

(c) Think of y as b and y^2 as c

$$b^2 - 4c = y^2 - 4y^2 = -3y^2 < 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{if } y \neq 0$$

So we can use (b) to say there is no solution, and $x^2 + xy + y^2$ is always > 0 (assuming $y \neq 0$).