MA3831 Name: Section:

Midterm (closed book, closed notes)

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If you are/were a WPI undergrad, what was your first math course at WPI?

Show all work needed to reach your answers. You may use any theorem we discussed in class, but cite by name any theorem you use.

1. (20 points) If A and B are sets, please show that $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{B}) \subset \mathcal{CA} \cap \mathcal{CB}$ (the other containment direction is also true, but not part of this question).

2. (20 points) If $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{Q}$, show in detail that their product is rational: $x_1x_2 \in \mathbb{Q}$.

3. (25 points) For which $x \in \mathbb{R}$ is $x + 2 < \frac{1}{|x|}$? Please show all needed steps, and give your final answer as the union of intervals.

Solution:

4. (15 points) Please fill in the blanks. Suppose $f : X \to Y$ is a function. Then f(x) is defined $x \in X$, and f maps X ______ f(X). Also if $y \in \text{Range}(f)$, then there exists $x \in X$ such that ______. And if $A \subset X$, then $f^{-1}(f(A))$ _____A. Finally f^{-1} is itself a function iff f is

5. (10 points) Please show that if $a, b, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, and a < x < b, a < y < b, then |y - x| < b - a.

6. (10 points) Suppose $S \subset \mathbb{R}$ is a nonempty set that is bounded above. Can S have more than one least upper bound? Please explain in detail why or why not.