

**Worksheet III**  
**ON THE TOPOLOGY OF  $\mathbb{R}$**   
**MORE EXERCISES RELATED TO THE**  
**DEFINITIONS, LEMMAS, THEOREMS, AND COROLLARIES**  
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Let  $U = \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $a, b, c, d, x, y,$  or  $z$  be reals.

1. Claim:  $|a - b| = |c - d|$  if and only if  $(a + d) = (b + c)$ .
2. Claim:  $|a - d| = |b - d|$  if and only if  $|a| = |b|$ .
3. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that has an interior that is non-empty.
4. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that has a boundary that is non-empty.
5. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that has  $\text{int}(A) = A$ .
6. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that has  $\text{bd}(A) = A$ .
7. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  where  $A' \neq \emptyset$ .
8. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  where  $A' = A$ .
9. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  where  $A' \subset A$ .
10. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  where  $A' \not\subset A$ .
11. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  where  $A' \subseteq A$ .
12. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  where  $A'$  is a degenerate set.
13. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  where  $A'$  is a non-empty degenerate set.
14. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that has a closure that is non-empty.
15. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that has  $\text{cl}(A) = A$ .
16. Prove Theorem 14.04 of handout III.
17. Prove Theorem 14.05 of handout III.
18. Prove  $\mathbb{Q} \neq \emptyset$ .
19. Prove  $\mathbb{I} \neq \emptyset$ .
20. Convince yourself that  
Theorem W-1 :  $\mathbb{Q}$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}$   
Theorem W-2 :  $\mathbb{I}$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}$   
 are true claims but don't bother proving them yet.
21. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that is closed.
22. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that is open.
23. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that is closed and is not open.
24. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that is open and is not closed.
25. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that is perfect.
26. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that is neither open nor closed.
27. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that is open and closed.
28. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that is open, closed, and perfect.
29. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that is connected.
30. Construct a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that is disconnected.

*For all of the construction exercises, try to also draw a picture for the sets on a line. Try to visualise the property that you are attempting to exemplify.*