

## Math 4300 - Homework # 7

### The plane separation axiom and convex sets

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1. In the Euclidean plane, let  $A = (1, 4)$ ,  $B = (-1, 1)$ . Let  $\ell = \overleftrightarrow{AB}$ .
- (a) Draw a picture of the two half planes that are determined by  $\ell$ .
  - (b) Let  $P = (-2, 1)$  and  $Q = (0, 0)$ . Determine if  $P$  and  $Q$  on the same side of  $\ell$  or opposite sides of  $\ell$ .
  - (c) Let  $P = (3, 1)$  and  $Q = (0, 0)$ . Determine if  $P$  and  $Q$  on the same side of  $\ell$  or opposite sides of  $\ell$ .
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2. In the Hyperbolic plane, let  $A = (1, 2)$ ,  $B = (3, 4)$ . Let  $\ell = \overleftrightarrow{AB}$ .
- (a) Draw a picture of the two half planes that are determined by  $\ell$ .
  - (b) Let  $P = (-2, 1)$  and  $Q = (5, 1)$ . Determine if  $P$  and  $Q$  on the same side of  $\ell$  or opposite sides of  $\ell$ .
  - (c) Let  $P = (-2, 1)$  and  $Q = (10, 2)$ . Determine if  $P$  and  $Q$  on the same side of  $\ell$  or opposite sides of  $\ell$ .
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3. Let  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, d)$  be a metric geometry.

- (a) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be distinct points from  $\mathcal{P}$ . Let  $\ell = \overleftrightarrow{XY}$ . Let  $f : \ell \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a ruler for  $\ell$ . Prove: If  $f(X) < f(Y)$  then

$$\overline{XY} = \{D \in \mathcal{P} \mid f(X) \leq f(D) \leq f(Y)\}$$

Prove that if  $f(Y) < f(X)$  then

$$\overline{XY} = \{D \in \mathcal{P} \mid f(Y) \leq f(D) \leq f(X)\}$$

- (b) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be distinct points from  $\mathcal{P}$ . Let  $\ell = \overleftrightarrow{XY}$ . Let  $f : \ell \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a ruler for  $\ell$ . Prove: If  $f(X) < f(Y)$  then

$$\overrightarrow{XY} = \{C \in \mathcal{P} \mid f(X) \leq f(C)\}$$

Prove that if  $f(Y) < f(X)$  then

$$\overrightarrow{YX} = \{C \in \mathcal{P} \mid f(C) \leq f(X)\}$$

4. Let  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, d)$  be a metric geometry. Let  $S, T \subseteq \mathcal{P}$  be convex sets. Prove that  $S \cap T$  is convex.

5. Let  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, d)$  be a metric geometry. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be distinct points. Prove that the following sets are convex.

- (a)  $\emptyset$ , which is the empty set
- (b)  $\{A\}$ , a set with just one point
- (c) The set  $\mathcal{P}$  of all points in the geometric space
- (d)  $\overline{AB}$
- (e)  $\text{int}(\overline{AB})$  where  $\text{int}(\overline{AB}) = \overline{AB} - \{A, B\}$
- (f)  $\overleftrightarrow{AB}$
- (g)  $\overrightarrow{AB}$
- (h)  $\text{int}(\overrightarrow{AB})$  where  $\text{int}(\overrightarrow{AB}) = \overrightarrow{AB} - \{A\}$

6. Let  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, d)$  be a metric geometry satisfying the PSA. Let  $\ell$  be a line from  $\mathcal{L}$ . Let  $P, Q$  be points in  $\mathcal{P}$  where  $P \notin \ell$  and  $Q \notin \ell$ . We have that:

- (a)  $P$  and  $Q$  are on opposite sides of  $\ell$  if and only if  $\overline{PQ} \cap \ell \neq \emptyset$ .
- (b)  $P$  and  $Q$  are on the same side of  $\ell$  if and only if  $\overline{PQ} \cap \ell = \emptyset$ .

7. Let  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, d)$  be a metric geometry satisfying the PSA. Let  $P, Q, R$  be points in  $\mathcal{P}$  and let  $\ell$  be a line from  $\mathcal{L}$ . If  $P$  and  $Q$  are on opposite sides of  $\ell$ , and  $Q$  and  $R$  are on opposite sides of  $\ell$ , then  $P$  and  $R$  are on the same side of  $\ell$ .

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8. Let  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L}, d)$  be a metric geometry satisfying the PSA. Let  $P, Q, R$  be points in  $\mathcal{P}$  and let  $\ell$  be a line from  $\mathcal{L}$ . If  $P$  and  $Q$  are on opposite sides of  $\ell$ , and  $Q$  and  $R$  are on the same side of  $\ell$ , then  $P$  and  $R$  are on opposite sides of  $\ell$ .

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