

Introduction to Abstract Mathematics Fall 2018

Assignment 4.3 Due September 19

Exercise 1. Prove that $(x-1)^2 \le x+1$ for all real numbers $x \in [0,3]$.

Exercise 2. Prove that $n! \ge 2^n$ for every integer $n \ge 4$.

Exercise 3. A real-valued function f of one variable is called *convex* if

 $f(tx + (1 - t)y) \le tf(x) + (1 - t)f(y)$

for all real numbers x, y and all t with $0 \le t \le 1$. Prove that $f(x) = x^2$ is convex.

Exercise 4. Let $f(n) = n^2 + n + 41$.

- **a.** Show that f(1), f(2), ..., f(10) are prime.
- **b.** Prove or disprove: f(n) is prime for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.