

$$|x^2| = x^2$$

Proof. Since  $x^2 \geq 0$

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$$y = \begin{cases} y & \text{if } y \geq 0 \\ -y & \text{if } y < 0 \end{cases}$$

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$$(b) \quad |x|^2 = x^2$$

If  $x \geq 0$  then

$$|x|^2 = |x| |x| = x x = x^2$$

If  $x < 0$  then

$$|x|^2 = |x| |x| = (-x)(-x) = x^2$$

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Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  &  $a \geq 0$  then  $|x| \leq a \iff -a \leq x \leq a$ .

Proof: ( $\implies$ ). We have  $|x| \leq a$ . If  $x \geq 0$  then

$$|x| = x \leq a$$

If  $x < 0$  then

$$|x| = -x \leq a$$

$\times$  by  $(-1)$

$$x \geq -a$$

$$\underline{-a \leq x \leq a.}$$

( $\impliedby$ ) Assume  $-a \leq x \leq a \implies |x| \leq a$ .

$$|x| \leq a \Leftrightarrow -a \leq x \leq a \quad (2)$$

$$|x| < a \Leftrightarrow -a < x < a$$

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  we have  $-|x| \leq x \leq |x|$

Proof: Substituting  $a = |x|$  into the above gives

$$-|x| \leq x \leq |x|$$

Prop (L.17):  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$|xy| = |x| |y|$$

Proof: If  $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$  then

$$\begin{aligned} |x| |y| &= xy \geq 0 \\ &= |xy| \end{aligned}$$

If  $x \geq 0$  but  $y < 0$ :  $xy < 0$

$$\begin{aligned} |x| |y| &= x(-y) \\ &= -(xy) \\ &= |xy| \end{aligned}$$

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$$|-x| = |x|$$

$$|x| |y| = |x| |y|$$

It:

$$(-x) = ((-1) \times x) = (-1) |x| = |x| \quad \square$$

$$|x+y| \leq |x| + |y|.$$

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Proof:

$$0 \leq (x+y)^2$$

$$0 \leq |x+y|^2 = (x+y)^2$$

$$= x^2 + 2xy + y^2$$

$$= |x|^2 + 2xy + |y|^2$$

$$x \leq |x|$$

$$y \leq |y|$$

$$\leq |x|^2 + 2|x||y| + |y|^2$$

$$= (|x| + |y|)^2$$

$$|x+y|^2 \leq (|x| + |y|)^2$$

$$|x+y| \leq |x| + |y|$$

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