

#13: (Direct proof.)

Let $x \in S$ (S is nonempty hence such x exists).

S is bounded from above and below, therefore from completeness Axiom there exists $\inf S$ and $\sup S$.

From definition of $\inf S$ and $\sup S$, we have

$$\inf S \leq x$$

and $x \leq \sup S$

Combining these two we get $\inf S \leq x \leq \sup S$

hence $\inf S \leq \sup S$.

(contradiction).

Let $\inf S > \sup S$. Then for $x \in S$ we have (from def. of $\inf S$)

$$x \geq \inf S > \sup S \Rightarrow x > \sup S.$$

But from def. of $\sup S$ we must have $x \leq \sup S$.

So we have a contradiction.
