

Osmosis topics

Sets, Functions, Relations, Posets, \mathbb{R} .

Sets

elements, empty set, subset, union, intersection
disjoint, product of sets

Functions

injective, surjective, bijective,
equal functions, inverse function, restriction.
identity function, composition of functions.

Important theorem

Let $f: S \rightarrow T$ be a function. An inverse function f^{-1} exists if and only if f is bijective.

Cardinality: isomorphism of sets.

finite, infinite, countable, uncountable.

HW Show that $\text{Card}(\mathbb{Q}) = \text{Card}(\mathbb{Z}) = \text{Card}(\mathbb{P}_{>0}) + \text{Card}(\mathbb{R})$.

HW Show that $\text{Card}(\mathbb{R}) = \text{Card}(\mathbb{R}^2)$.

Relations Let S be a set.

A relation on S is a subset of $S \times S$.

Equivalence relation, partition of a set S .

Equivalence class.

Important theorem Let S be a set.

(a) Let \sim be an equivalence relation on S .

The set of equivalence classes of the relation \sim is a partition of S .

(b) Let $\{S_\alpha\}$ be a partition of S .

The relation defined by

$s \sim t$ if s and t are in the same S_α
is an equivalence relation on S .

Orders

partially ordered set, totally ordered set,
well ordered set.

upper/lower bound, $\sup(E)$, $\inf(E)$, $\min(E)$,
 $\max(E)$, maximal element, minimal element,
smallest element, largest element.

Haus diagram, lower/upper order ideal,
intervals.

Ordered fields

An ordered field is a field \mathbb{F} with a total order \leq such that

(a) If $a, b, c \in \mathbb{F}$ and $a \leq b$ then $a + c \leq b + c$,

(b) If $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$ and $a \geq 0$ and $b \geq 0$ then $ab \geq 0$.

Proposition Let (\mathbb{F}, \leq) be an ordered field.

(a) If $a \in \mathbb{F}$ and $a > 0$ then $-a < 0$.

(b) If $a \in \mathbb{F}$ and $a > 0$ then $a' > 0$.

(c) If $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$ and $a > 0$ and $b > 0$ then $ab > 0$.

(d) If $a \in \mathbb{F}$ then $a^2 \geq 0$.

(e) If $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$ and $a \geq 0$ and $b \geq 0$ then

$a \leq b$ if and only if $a^2 \leq b^2$.

(f) $1 \geq 0$.

(g) If $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$ and $a \geq 0$ and $b \geq 0$ then $a+b \geq 0$.

HW Show that \mathbb{R} with the usual order is an ordered field.

HW Show that \mathbb{C} is a field and there does not exist an order on \mathbb{C} such that \mathbb{C} is an ordered field.