

Properties of \mathbb{R} and $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

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Theorem

- (a) \mathbb{R} and $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ are Hausdorff
- (b) $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ is complete
- (c) $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ is locally compact.
- (d) $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ is not compact.

Theorem Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$.

- (a) A is connected if and only if A is an interval
- (b) A is compact if and only if A is closed and bounded.

Theorem (Least upper bound property)

If $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ and $A \neq \emptyset$ and A is bounded then $\sup(A)$ exists in \mathbb{R} .

Theorem If (a_1, a_2, \dots) is an increasing bounded sequence in $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ then (a_1, a_2, \dots) converges in \mathbb{R} to $\sup\{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$.

Theorem Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$. The function

$x^n: \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ is continuous, bijective and monotone.

Theorem The function $e: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ is continuous bijective and monotone.

Theorem Let $i: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the inclusion.

- (a) i is injective and is a field homomorphism
- (b) i is not surjective.
- (c) $\overline{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{R}$
- (d) $\hat{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{R}$
- (e) If $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x < y$ then there exists $c \in \mathbb{Q}$ with $x < c < y$.
- (f) If $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x < y$ then there exists $c \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$ with $x < c < y$.

Theorem \mathbb{R} with $d: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ given by

$$d(x, y) = |y - x|$$

is a metric space (hence a uniform space)
(and a topological space).

Theorem \mathbb{R} is an ordered field.

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An ordered field is a set F with functions

$$\begin{aligned} F \times F &\rightarrow F \\ (a, b) &\mapsto a+b \quad \text{and} \quad (a, b) \mapsto ab \end{aligned}$$

such that and a relation \leq such that

- (a) If $a, b, c \in F$ then $(a+b)+c = a+(b+c)$.
- (b) If $a, b \in F$ then $a+b = b+a$
- (c) There exists $D \in F$ which satisfies
if $x \in F$ then $D+x = x$ and $x+D = x$
- (d) If $a \in F$ then there exists $-a \in F$ such
that $a+(-a) = D$ and $(-a)+a = D$.
- (e) If $a, b, c \in F$ then $(ab)c = a(bc)$.
- (f) If $a, b \in F$ then $ab = ba$
- (g) There exists $1 \in F$ which satisfies
if $x \in F$ then $1 \cdot x = x$ and $x \cdot 1 = x$.
- (h) If $a \in F$ and $a \neq 0$ then there exists $\bar{a}' \in F$
such that $a\bar{a}' = 1$ and $\bar{a}'a = 1$.

(i) If $a, b, c \in F$ then

$$a(b+c) = ab+ac \text{ and } (a+b)c = ac+bc$$

(ii) If $a, b \in F$ then $a \leq b$ or $b \leq a$

(iii) If $a, b \in F$ and $a \leq b$ and $b \leq a$ then $b = a$.

(iv) If $a, b, c \in F$ and $a \leq b$ and $b \leq c$ then $a \leq c$.

(v) If $a, b, c \in F$ and $a \leq b$ then

$$a+c \leq b+c.$$

(vi) If $a, b \in F$ and $a \geq 0$ and $b \geq 0$ then

$$ab \geq 0.$$

An ordered topological field is a field F with a topology \mathcal{T}_F such that

$$\begin{aligned} F \times F &\rightarrow F \\ (a, b) &\mapsto ab \quad \text{and} \quad F \times F \rightarrow F \\ (a, b) &\mapsto ab \end{aligned}$$

are continuous.

Theorem R and Q are ordered topological fields.

Theorem C is a topological field but it is not ordered.