

This is the third homework for Math 114s in the winter quarter of 2016. It is due Monday February 1st in class.

- (1) In this exercise you will show that for any countable ordinal α , there is a set $A \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$ such that $(A, <)$ (where $<$ is the usual order on \mathbb{Q}) is isomorphic to (α, \in) .

To do it show the following stronger statement by induction on ordinals $\alpha < \omega_1$. Let $P(\alpha)$ be the statement “For every interval (a, b) with rational endpoints, there is an $A \subseteq (a, b)$ such that $(A, <)$ is isomorphic to (α, \in) .”

- (2) We say that a binary relation E on a set W is well-founded if every nonempty subset X of W has an E -minimal element.

This exercise gives a more general transfinite induction theorem. Let (W, E) be a well-founded binary relation. Prove the following statement: If for all $y \in W$ ((for all xEy , $P(x)$) implies $P(y)$), then $P(x)$ holds for every $x \in W$.

We also have a similar way to define functions by transfinite recursion(induction) on well-founded binary relations. In particular, if G is a function and (W, E) is a well-founded binary relation, then there is a unique function F with domain W such that $F(x) = G(F \upharpoonright W^{Ex})$. Recall that $W^{Ex} = \{y \in W \mid yEx\}$.

- (3) Let W be a set and E be a binary relation on W satisfying the following properties:

- (a) For all $x, y \in W$, if for every $z \in W$, $z \in x$ if and only if $z \in y$, then $x = y$.
 (b) E is well-founded

Prove the following claims:

- (a) There are a transitive set M and function π with domain W such that π is an isomorphism from (W, E) to (M, \in) . Hint: Consider the definition $\pi(x) = \{\pi(y) \mid yEx\}$. Be very careful verifying that this definition works.
 (b) The M and π from the previous part are unique.

Finally, if (W, E) is a well-ordering, then what is the transitive set M from the above claims?

- (4) Prove Zorn’s lemma from the Axiom of Choice. Zorn’s lemma is the following statement: For every partial order $(P, <)$ if every chain has an upper bound then, $(P, <)$ has a maximal element.

A chain C in a partial order $(P, <)$ is a subset of P which is linearly ordered by $<$. x is an upperbound for a chain C if $x \geq y$ for all $y \in C$.