

ordered topological vector space

 ${\bf Canonical\ name} \quad {\bf Ordered Topological Vector Space}$

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Let k be either \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} considered as a field. An ordered topological vector space L, (ordered t.v.s for short) is

- \bullet a topological vector space over k, and
- \bullet an ordered vector space over k, such that
- the positive cone L^+ of L is a closed subset of L.

The last statement can be interpreted as follows: if a sequence of non-negative elements x_i of L converges to an element x, then x is non-negative.

Remark. Let L, M be two ordered t.v.s., and $f: L \to M$ a linear transformation that is monotone. Then if $0 \le x \in L$, $0 \le f(x) \in M$ also. Therefore $f(L^+) \subseteq M^+$. Conversely, a linear map that is invariant under positive cones is monotone.