

SUPPOSE THERE ARE TWO CONSTRUCTIONS OF REAL NUMBERS,

THUS, THERE EXISTS AT LEAST 0 AND 1 IN BOTH CONSTRUCTIONS.

THEN THERE MUST BE A MAP FROM 1 TO 1 IN THE OTHER CONSTRUCTION  $\Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  CORRESPOND  
 $\Rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  CORRESPOND  
 $\Rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  CORRESPOND

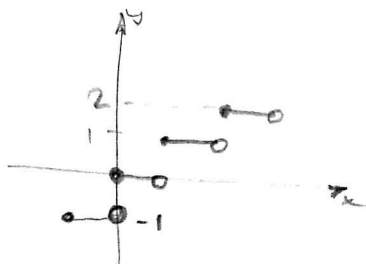
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## FUNCTIONS

NOTION  
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A FUNCTION IS A "RULE" WHICH SAYS HOW TO TAKE CERTAIN NUMBERS AND FIND THE CORRESPONDING VALUES OF THE FUNCTION.

EXAMPLE



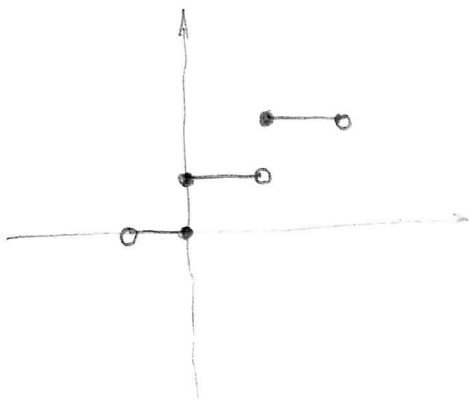
① TAKE ANY NO.  $x$  AND SQUARE  $+ : x^2$

$$② f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q} \\ 1, & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$$

③ FLOOR FUNCTION

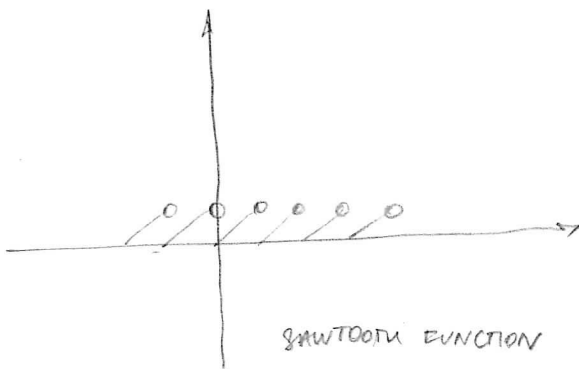
$$\lfloor x \rfloor = \max \{m \in \mathbb{Z} \mid m \leq x\}$$

## EXAMPLE



$$\lceil x \rceil = \min \{ m \in \mathbb{Z} \mid m \geq x \}$$

$$\lceil x \rceil = \begin{cases} \lfloor x \rfloor + 1, & \text{UNLESS } x \in \mathbb{Z} \\ x, & \text{IF } x \in \mathbb{Z} \end{cases}$$



FRACTIONAL PART

$$\{x\} = x - \lfloor x \rfloor$$

## POLYNOMIALS

RATIONAL FUNCTIONS =  
QUOTIENTS OF POLYNOMIALS