

Preorders and Alexandroff Topologies

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1 Upwards Closed Sets

Definition 1: [preorder]/
upwards_closed_sets

Let

1. $\mathcal{X} = (X, \leq^{\mathcal{X}})$ be a preorder

Define the set of upwards closed sets of \mathcal{X} as:

$$\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{X}) = U((X, \leq^{\mathcal{X}})) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{U \subseteq X \mid U \text{ is } \leq^{\mathcal{X}}\text{-upwards closed}\} \quad (1)$$

Definition 2: [family_of_subsets]/
specilization_preorder

Result 1: [preorder, alexandroff_topology]/
preorder_is_alexandroff_topology

Let:

1. X be any set.

Then there exists a bijection:

$$\{\leq \subseteq X^2 \mid \leq \text{ is a preorder}\} \cong \{\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X) \mid \mathcal{A} \text{ is an Alexandroff topology}\} \quad (2)$$

Given by:

$$U(X, \cdot) : \leq \mapsto \mathcal{U}((X, \leq)) \quad (3)$$

$$U^{-1}(X, \cdot) : \mathcal{A} \mapsto \leq^{\mathcal{A}} \quad (4)$$

where $\leq^{\mathcal{A}}$ is the specilization preorder of \mathcal{A} .