

Transition to Advanced Mathematics: assignments 11

Let $A = \mathbb{R}[x] = \{a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n \mid a_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$

That is, A , is the set of all polynomials with coefficients coming from \mathbb{R} and variable x .

Define a relation " \leq " via $P \leq Q$ iff $\deg(P) \leq \deg(Q)$

1. Give 5 examples of elements P and Q such that $P \leq Q$.
2. Give 5 examples of elements P and Q such that $P \not\leq Q$.
3. Is \leq a partial order relation? If so prove it. If not, provide a counterexample.
4. Is \leq a total order relation? If so prove it. If not, provide a counterexample.

These problems are due on April 15th