Exercises

3.219 [08F]Prerequisites: [01P], [07Z], [084], [080], [08C].

Let be given two well-ordered non-empty sets (X, \leq_X) and (Y, \leq_Y) . Show that

- (a) there is an initial segment *S* of *X* and a strictly increasing monotonic bijective function $g : S \to Y$; or ^{*a*}
- (b) there is an initial segment *T* of *Y* and a bijective strictly increasing monotonic function $g : X \to T$.

In the first case we will write that $(Y, \leq_Y) \leq (X, \leq_X)$, in the second that $(X, \leq_X) \leq (Y, \leq_Y)$. (Note that in the first case you have $|Y| \leq |X|$ and in the second $|X| \leq |Y|$). By the previous exercise, the map g and its segment are unique.

Solution 1. [08G]

^{*a*}The two conditions can also both apply, in which case X, Y have the same type of order.