

Bi-State Math Colloquium

Who: Leonida Ljumanovic

When: Thursday, October 26, 4:00 pm

Where: Ottensman 122, UW-Platteville

Cantor's Set Theory

In the first part of the talk, we will briefly go over a history of set theory and discuss Georg Cantor's contributions to set theory. Furthermore, we will define natural numbers in terms of sets, and use properties of sets and induction to prove some of the properties of natural numbers.

Moreover, we will talk about the different infinite sizes that sets may have. In particular, we will discuss the Continuum Hypothesis, which states that there are no infinite sizes between that of the natural numbers and that of the real numbers.

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