

Theorem: \mathbb{Q} is dense in \mathbb{R} .

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If $x < y \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\exists q \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that
 $x < q < y$.

Proof: If $x < y$, then $y - x > 0$. Then, by the Archimedean property,
 $\exists n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$n_1(y - x) > 1 \Rightarrow n_1 y > n_1 x + 1. \quad (1)$$

Also, by the Archimedean property, $\{n x\}$ is unbounded. Choose the
first $n_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$n_2 - 1 \leq n_1 x < n_2. \quad (2)$$

Then $n_1 y > n_1 x + 1 \geq n_2$ from (1) and (2)

Thus $x < \frac{n_2}{n_1} < y$. $\therefore \mathbb{Q}$ is dense in \mathbb{R} .

Ex. $\bar{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\} \cup \{-\infty\}$ denotes the extended real numbers.

$$\rightarrow \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, -\infty < x < +\infty.$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \bullet x + +\infty = +\infty \\ \bullet x + -\infty = -\infty \\ \bullet (+\infty) + (-\infty) = ? \\ \bullet \frac{1}{+\infty} = ? \quad \frac{1}{-\infty} = ? \end{array} \right\} \text{NOT A FIELD}$$

The real Euclidean space of dimension n is

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \mid x_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$x + y = (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_n + y_n)$$

$$x \cdot y = (x_1 y_1, \dots, x_n y_n)$$

$$\{1, 1, \dots, 1, 0\} \rightarrow \text{no mult. inverse} \rightarrow \text{NOT A FIELD (with this mult.)}$$

Ex. \mathbb{R}^2 .

$$(a, b) + (c, d) = (a + b, c + d)$$

$$(a, b) \cdot (c, d) = (ac - bd, ad + bc)$$

$$(0, 0) + (a, b) = (a, b)$$

$$(1, 0) \cdot (c, d) = (c - 0d, d + 0c) = (c, d)$$

Note: This is \mathbb{C} . It is a field.

$$(1, 0) = 1$$

$$(0, 1) = i$$

$$(a, b) = a + ib \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

Ex. quaternions: \mathbb{R}^4

$$a + bi + cj + dk$$

where $i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = -1$



$$ij = k$$

$$jk = i$$

$$ki = j$$

$$ji = -k$$

$$kj = -i$$

$$ik = -j$$

Let $F: A \rightarrow B$ be a map of sets.

- ① for $E \subseteq A$, the image of E under F is
 $F(E) = \{F(a) \mid a \in E\}$
- ② the range of F is $F(A)$
- ③ the domain is A
- ④ the codomain is B
- ⑤ F is onto or surjective if $F(A) = B$
- ⑥ the inverse image of $C \subseteq B$ is
 $F^{-1}(C) = \{a \in A \mid F(a) \in C\}$
- ⑦ F is one-to-one or injective if $F(a) = F(a') \Leftrightarrow a = a'$
- ⑧ F is bijective if it is both injective and surjective
- ⑨ A and B are in one-to-one correspondence or have the same cardinality if there is a bijection $A \leftrightarrow B$.

*Note: $A \leftrightarrow B$ is an equivalence relation.

For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $[n] = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$.

Let A be a set.

- ① A is finite if $A \leftrightarrow [n]$ for some n
- ② A is infinite if it is not finite.
- ③ A is countable if $A \leftrightarrow \mathbb{N}$.
- ④ A is uncountable if it is not finite or countable.
- ⑤ A is at most countable if it is either finite or countable.

Let A be a set. A sequence in A is a function $F: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow A$.

$$F(n) = x_n.$$

Theorem: every subset of a countable set is at most countable.

Proof: Let A be countable, and $E \subseteq A$. If E is finite, then E is at most countable.

Otherwise, E is infinite. Since A is countable, \exists a bijection $A \leftrightarrow \mathbb{N}$.

Let $\{a_n\}$ be this counting, i.e. $A = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}$.

Then all elements of E appear in the sequence a_1, a_2, \dots .

Let n_1 be the smallest $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $a_{n_1} \in E$. For $k > 1$, let

n_k be the smallest integer greater than n_{k-1} such that $a_{n_k} \in E$.

This gives a map $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow E$. We have labeled all the elements of E using the elements of \mathbb{N} , so this is a bijection $\mathbb{N} \leftrightarrow E$. Thus, E is countable \Rightarrow

E is at most countable.