



Real Numbers:-

There are two fundamental algebraic operations on the set  $R$  of all real numbers called addition and multiplication.

This operation should satisfy the following axiom.

A<sub>1</sub>: Closure for addition.

The set  $R$  is closed with respect to addition.

$$a, b \in R \Rightarrow a + b \in R$$

A<sub>2</sub>: Associative law of addition

The operation of addition in  $R$  is associative

$$a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c \quad \forall a, b, c \in R$$

A<sub>3</sub>: Identity element for addition

There exists a real number zero such that

$$a + 0 = 0 + a \quad \forall a \in R$$

$A_1$ : existence of inverse addition  
Corresponding to each  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , there exist  
an element  $b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$a + b = b + a = 0$$

$A_2$ : commutative

For each pair of real numbers  $a$   
and  $b$  such that  $a + b = b + a$

$M_1$ : closure for multiplication

The set  $\mathbb{R}$  is closed with respect  
to multiplication

$$a \cdot b \in \mathbb{R} \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

$M_2$ : Associative law of multiplication  
on

The operation of multiplication in  $\mathbb{R}$   
is associative

$$a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (b \cdot c) \cdot a \quad \forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$M_3$ : Identity element for multipli-  
-cation

There exists a real number  $1$  such  
that

$$a \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot a \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$$

$M_4$ : existence of inverse

Corresponding to each  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , there  
exists  $b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $a \cdot b = b \cdot a = 1$

Distributivity of  $\times$

M5: commutative law of multiplication for each pair of real numbers  $a$  and  $b$  such that

$$a \cdot b = b \cdot a$$

Distributivity of multiplication over addition multiplication of distributivity over addition in

$$R: a \cdot (b+c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c \quad \forall a, b, c \in R$$

NOTE:-

i)  $R$  satisfies A, T, O, S and

M, C, M5, D

$\therefore R$  is a field

ii)  $Q$  and  $C$  are also field

Since they also satisfies the above axiom.

Theorem 2.1 (uniqueness of zero)

statement:  $\exists!$   $0 \in R$

There can exist at the most one identity for addition in  $R$ .

proof:-

If possible let there are two identities  $0$  and  $0'$  in  $R$ .

$0$  is the addition identity

$$0+a = a+0 = a \quad \forall a \in R \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$0'$  is the addition identity

$$0'+a = a+0' = a \quad \forall a \in R \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

put  $a = 0'$  in equation  $\textcircled{1}$

$$\Rightarrow 0+0' = 0'+0 = 0' \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

put  $a = 0$  in equation  $\textcircled{2}$

$$0'+0 = 0+0' = 0 \rightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

From  $\textcircled{3}$  &  $\textcircled{4}$

$$0 = 0'$$

$\therefore$  Additive identity in  $R$  is unique.

Theorem 2:-

Uniqueness of Negative:

statement:-

Two each  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  there

Correspond one and only real number  $y$  such that  $x+y = y+x = 0$

Proof:-

If possible, let  $y_1, y_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

be the equation of  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

when,  $y_1$  negative element

$$\Rightarrow x + y_1 = y_1 + x = 0 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$y_2$  negative element

$$\Rightarrow x + y_2 = y_2 + x = 0$$

Let

$$y_1 = y_1 + 0$$

$$= y_1 + (x + y_2)$$

$$= 0 + y_2$$

$$y_1 = y_2$$

Negative of an element unique

Theorem 3:  $[s+x] + [t] = [s+x+t]$

Translation Law of addition:

Statement

If  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x+z = y+z$ .

then  $x = y$

Proof:-

Let  $x = x+0$

$$[(x+0) + (z+(-z))] = x + (z+(-z))$$

$$[(x+0) + (z+(-z))] + [(y+z) + (-z)] = (x+z) + (-z)$$

$$= (y+z) + (-z)$$

$$[(x+0) + (z+(-z))] + [(y+z) + (-z)] =$$

$$= y + (z+(-z))$$

$$[(x+0) + (z+(-z))] + [(y+z) + (-z)] = y + 0$$

$$\boxed{x = y}$$

Theorem 4:  $(-x) + (-y) = -(x+y)$

For each  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

(i)  $(-1)(-x) = x$

(ii)  $-(x+y) = (-x) + (-y)$

Proof:-

(i) Let  $z$  be the negative of  $-x$

$$(-x) + z = z + (-x) = 0$$

Now,

$$x = x+0$$

(property of 0)

$$= x + [-x + z] \quad (\text{by our assumption})$$

$$= [x + (-x)] + z \quad (\text{by associative law})$$

$$= z$$

$$\boxed{x = -(-x)}$$

$$(ii) -(x+y) = 0 + 0 + [- (x+y)] \quad (\text{by identity law})$$

$$= [x + (-x)] + [y + (-y)] + [- (x+y)]$$

$$= [x+y] + [- (x+y)] + [(-x) + (-y)]$$

$$= 0 + [- (x+y)] + [(-x) + (-y)]$$

$$= 0 + (-x) + (-y) \quad (\text{by -ve law})$$

$$\boxed{- (x+y) = (-x) + (-y)} \quad (\text{by identity law})$$

Theorem 5:-

Uniqueness of identity for multiplication

Statement:-

There can exist at the most one identity element for multiplication in  $R$ .

Proof:

If possible then there are two identity element  $1, 1' \in R$

When  $1$  is identity

$$x \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot x = x, \forall x \in R \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

When  $1'$  is identity

$$x \cdot 1' + 1x = x, \forall x \in R \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

suppose, let  $1' \in R$

$$1 \cdot 1' \in R \text{ sub in eqn } \textcircled{1} \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \cdot 1' = 1 \cdot 1' = 1' \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \leftarrow 1' \in R \text{ sub in eqn } \textcircled{2} \rightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \cdot 1' = 1' \cdot 1 = 1' \rightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \leftarrow 1 = x \cdot 1' = 1'$$

From  $\textcircled{3}$  and  $\textcircled{4} \Rightarrow 1 = 1'$

$$(1 \cdot 1') = 1' = 1$$

$$(1' \cdot 1) = 1 = 1$$

$$\boxed{1' = 1}$$

$$(1 \cdot 1') = 1' = 1$$

Identity element for multiplication is unique.

Inverse of each element



Theorem 6:-

Proof

Uniqueness of inverse for multiplication.

Statement:

To each  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ;  $x \neq 0$  there corresponding one and only one real number  $y$  such that  $x \cdot y = y \cdot x = 1$

Proof:

It possible let there are two inverse  $y_1, y_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$y_1$  is inverse  $\rightarrow$

$$xy_1 = y_1x = 1 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$y_2$  is inverse  $\rightarrow$

$$xy_2 = y_2x = 1 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Let  $xy_1 = y_1 \cdot 1$  (by identity law)

$$= y_1 (xy_2) \text{ (by 2)}$$

$$= (y_1x) y_2 \text{ (by associative law)}$$

$$= (1 \cdot y_2) \text{ (by 1)}$$

$= y_2$  (by identity law)

$$\boxed{y_1 = y_2}$$

Inverse of each element is uniqueness.

2m\* Theorem 7:-  $x \cdot 0 = 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Proof:-

Now,  $0 = 0 + 0$  (by A3)  
 $x \cdot 0 = x(0 + 0)$  (by A3)  
 $= x \cdot 0 + x \cdot 0$  (D.2)  
 $x \cdot 0 \neq x \cdot 0 = x \cdot 0$   
 for all  $x \cdot 0 + x \cdot 0 = x \cdot 0 + 0$  (by A3)

Add

on both sides  
 $-(x \cdot 0)$   
 $-(x \cdot 0) + (x \cdot 0) + (x \cdot 0) = -(x \cdot 0) + (x \cdot 0)$   
 $0 + (x \cdot 0) = 0$  (by A3)  
 $x \cdot 0 = 0$

Theorem 8:-

If  $x, y$  be the real number such that  $xy = 0$  then either  $x = 0$  or  $y = 0$ .

Proof:

Given  $xy = 0$

If  $x = 0$  then there is nothing

to prove. So, take  $x \neq 0$ .

$x^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}$

$x \cdot y = 0$  ... by theorem 7

$$(x^{-1} \cdot x) \cdot y = 0$$

$$1 \cdot y = 0 \quad (\text{by inverse law})$$

$$\boxed{y = 0} \quad (\text{by identity law})$$

Hence Proved.

Theorem 9:-

Cancellation law of multiplication

If  $x, y, z$  be the real numbers such that  $xz = yz$  and  $z \neq 0$  then  $x = y$

proof:

Now,

$$(x + (-y))z = xz + (-y)z \quad (\text{D.L.})$$

$$= yz + (-y)z \quad (\text{given})$$

$$= (y + (-y))z \quad (\text{D.L.})$$

$$= 0 \cdot z \quad (\text{-ve law})$$

$$(x + (-y))z = 0 \quad (\text{by theorem 7, given } z \neq 0)$$

$$0 \neq x + (-y) \neq 0 \quad (\text{by theorem 8})$$

$$x + (-y) = y + (-y) \quad (\text{by -ve law})$$

$$\boxed{x=y}$$

(by) cancellation law

Hence Proved.

Theorem 10:-

For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(i)  $x(-y) = -(xy)$

(ii)  $(-x)y = -(xy)$

(iii)  $(-x)(-y) = xy$

Proof:-

(i)  $x(-y) = -xy$

Add both sides on  $xy$

$$xy + x(-y) = xy - xy$$

$$= x(y + (-y)) \quad (\text{D.L.})$$

$$= x(0) \quad (\text{N.L.})$$

$$xy + x(-y) = 0 \quad (\text{I.L.})$$

Adding both sides on  $-xy$

$$0 + (-xy) + xy + x(-y) = 0 + (-xy) + xy + x(-y)$$

$$0 + x(-y) = -xy + x(-y)$$

$$\boxed{x(-y) = -xy}$$

$$(-x)(-y) = y(-x)$$

$$= -(yx)$$

$$= -xy$$

$$\boxed{(-x)y = -xy}$$

$$(ii) (-x)(-y) = -[(-x)y]$$

$$= -(-xy)$$

$$\boxed{(-x)(-y) = xy}$$

Definition : Difference :

The difference between two real numbers  $x$  and  $y$  is given by  $x + (-y)$ , and it is denoted by  $x - y$ .

The operation of finding the "difference" is called subtraction.

Quotient definition:-

The quotient of a real number  $x$  and  $y$  ( $y \neq 0$ ) is given by  $(xy)^{-1}$  it is denoted by  $x/y$  (or)  $x \div y$ .

The operation of finding quotient is called a division.

order in  $\mathbb{R}$  is to be (iii)

$O_1$ : law of trichotomy:  $\forall$

Given any two real numbers  $a, b$   
one and only one of the following  
holds.

$$a > b, a = b, a < b$$

$O_2$ : Transitivity:

For each triple of real numbers  
 $a, b, c$  if  $a > b, b > c$  then  $a > c$

$O_3$ : Monotone property for addition

For all real numbers  $a, b$  and  $c$ .

$$a > b \Rightarrow a + c > b + c$$

$O_4$ : Monotone property for multiplication

For all real numbers  $a, b$  and  $c$

$$a > b \text{ and } c > 0 \Rightarrow a \cdot c > b \cdot c$$

Note:

(i) The field  $\mathbb{R}$  of all real  
numbers satisfies  $O_1 - O_4$

$\therefore \mathbb{R}$  is an ordered field

(ii) The set of all rational  
numbers is also an ordered field.

(iii) The set of all complex numbers is not ordered.

Positive Numbers: A real number  $a$  is said to be positive if  $a > 0$ .

Theorem: II:-

For each real number  $a$  one and only one of the following holds

$a > 0$ ,  $a = 0$ ,  $a < 0$ .

Proof:-

It is enough to prove

$$0 < a \Rightarrow -a > 0$$

Now,

$$(i) \ 0 < a$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 + (-a) > a + (-a) \quad (\text{by } O_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow -a > 0 \quad (\text{by } A_3, A_4)$$

$$(ii) \ \text{Take } -a > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (-a) + a > 0 + a \quad (\text{by } O_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < a$$

Hence the theorem.

Theorem 12:-

If  $a, b$  be positive real numbers then  $a+b$  is a positive real number.

Proof:

Let  $a, b$  be two positive real numbers

$$a > 0, b > 0$$

Add  $b$  on both sides

$$a+b > 0+b \quad (\text{by } O_3)$$

$$a+b > b \quad \text{and} \quad b > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+b) > 0 \quad (\text{by } O_2)$$

$\therefore (a+b)$  is a positive real number.

Theorem 13:-

If  $a, b$  be positive real numbers then  $ab$  is a positive real number.

Proof:

Let  $a, b$  be two positive real numbers  $\therefore a > 0, b > 0$

$$a > 0 \quad (\text{by } O. \text{ law})$$

Multiplication  $b$  on both sides



$a > b$  (by 04)

$a > b$  (by  $a - b > 0$ )

$a > b$  is a positive real number

Definition:-

A real number  $a$  is said to be less than  $b$  is  $b > a$ .

A real number  $a$  is said to be negative if  $a < 0$ .

The properties of the relation  $>$  (greater than) are also the base for  $<$  (less than) [Except that of multiplication].

Absolute value:-

If  $x$  be a real number then its absolute value denoted by  $|x|$  is defined by

$$|x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Note :-

$\geq, \leq$  the relations are called the weak inequalities.  
The relations  $>, <$  are called the strict inequalities.

Theorem 1.4 :-

For every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$   $|x| = \max$

$$\{-x, x\}$$

Proof :-

By definition,

$$|x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

①

when  $x \geq 0$

$$|x| = x \text{ and } x \geq -x$$

when  $x < 0$

②  $|x| = -x$  and  $-x \geq x$

③  $\therefore |x| = \max \{-x, x\}$

Corollary :-

For every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \leq |x|$

Proof,

By above theorem

$$|x| = \max \{-x, x\} \geq x$$

$$|x| \geq x, \quad x \leq |x|$$

Theorem 15

For every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|x|^2 = x^2 = |-x|^2$

By definition

$$|x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$|x|^2 = \begin{cases} x^2 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ (-x)^2 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$|x|^2 = \begin{cases} x^2 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ x^2 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$|x|^2 = x^2 \quad \forall x \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

put  $x = -x$

$$| -x |^2 = (-x)^2$$

$$|-x|^2 = x^2 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

from  $\textcircled{1}$  and  $\textcircled{2}$

$$|x|^2 = x^2 = |-x|^2$$

Theorem 16:-

For every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$   $|x| = \max\{x, -x\}$

Proof:

W.K.T

$$|x| = \max\{x, -x\} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Put  $x = -x$

$$|-x| = \max\{-x, -(-x)\}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \rightarrow = \max\{x, -x\}$$

$$= |x| \text{ (from } \textcircled{1} \text{)}$$

For all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|x| = \max\{x, -x\}$

Theorem 17:-

$$|x| + |y| \geq |x+y|$$

For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$   $|xy| = |x| |y|$

Proof:

W.K.T

$$(|x+y|)^2 \geq (x+y)^2$$

$$0 \leq (x+y)^2 =$$

$$0 \leq (|x+y|)^2 \leq (x+y)^2$$

$$0 \leq (x+y)^2 \leq |x+y|^2 = |x|^2 + |y|^2$$

Take positive square root

$$|xy| = |x| \cdot |y|$$

Theorem 18:  $\triangle$

### Triangle inequality

For all real number  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  then

$$|x+y| \leq |x| + |y|$$

proof:-

Case (i):

When  $x+y \geq 0$

$$|x+y| = x+y \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$x \leq |x|, y \leq |y| \quad (\text{by theorem 14})$$

$$x+y \leq |x| + |y|$$

$$|x+y| \leq |x| + |y|$$

Case (ii)

When  $x+y < 0$

$$|x+y| = -(x+y)$$

$$= |-(x+y)| < 0$$

$$= |(-x) + (-y)| < 0$$

$$= |(-x)| + |(-y)| > 0$$

$$|x| = |x+0| \leq |x| + |0| = |x| \quad \text{(by Theorem (b))}$$

$$|x+y| = |-(x+y)|$$

$$|x+y| = |(-x)+(-y)| \leq |(-x)| + |(-y)| = |x| + |y|$$

$$\text{③ } |x-y| = |(x)+(-y)| \leq |x| + |(-y)| = |x| + |y| \quad \text{(by case (i))}$$

$$= |x| + |y|$$

$$\{x, y\} \Rightarrow |x+y| \leq |x| + |y|$$

Theorem 1.9:  $|x-y| \leq |x| + |y|$

For all real numbers  $x$  and  $y$

$$|x-y| \leq |x| + |y|$$

Proof:

$$\text{Let } |x| = |x-y+y| \quad \{\because \text{add}\}$$

$$|x| = |(x-y)+y| \quad \{\because \text{and sub } y\}$$

$$\leq |x-y| + |y| \quad \{\text{by triangle inequality}\}$$

$$|x| \leq |x-y| + |y|$$

Inequality

$$|x| \leq |x-y| + |y|$$

$$|x| - |y| \leq |x-y| \rightarrow \text{①}$$

Now,

Consider

$$|y| = |y-x+x| \quad \{\because \text{add and sub } x\}$$

$\leq |y-x| + |x|$  By Triangle Inequality

$|y| \leq |y-x| + |x|$  (  $\therefore |x| = |x-0|$  )

$(|x| - |y-x|) \leq |y| \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$

W.K.T

$|x| = \max \{ -x, x \}$

put  $x = |x| - |y|$

$|x| - |y| = \max \{ (|x| - |y|), (|x| - |y|) \}$

From  $\textcircled{1}$  and  $\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow |x-y| \leq |x| - |y|$

$\therefore ||x| - |y|| \leq |x-y|$

$\therefore |x-y| \geq ||x| - |y||$

Hence proved

$|x-y| \geq ||x| - |y||$

Problem

$$1. |x+y|^2 + |x-y|^2 = 2(|x|^2 + |y|^2) \quad \square$$

Proof

$$|x+y|^2 = (x+y)^2$$

$$|x-y|^2 = (x-y)^2$$

$$|x+y|^2 + |x-y|^2 = (x+y)^2 + (x-y)^2$$

$$= x^2 + y^2 + 2xy + x^2 + y^2 - 2xy$$

$$= 2x^2 + 2y^2$$

$$= 2(x^2 + y^2)$$

$$|x+y|^2 + |x-y|^2 = 2(|x|^2 + |y|^2) \quad \square$$

Hence Proved.

2. If  $x, l \in \mathbb{R}$  be real numbers and  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $|x-l| < \epsilon \Rightarrow l - \epsilon < x < l + \epsilon$

Proof:

$$|x-l| < \epsilon$$

$$\begin{cases} |x| \in \mathbb{R} \\ \therefore |x| = \max\{-x, x\} \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \max\{-(x-l), (x-l)\} < \epsilon$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \max\{-x+l, x-l\} < \epsilon$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -x+l < \epsilon \quad \& \quad x-l < \epsilon$$

$$\Leftrightarrow l-x < \epsilon \quad \& \quad x-l < \epsilon$$

$$\Leftrightarrow l-\epsilon < x < l+\epsilon$$



$$\Leftrightarrow 1 - \epsilon < x < 1 + \epsilon$$

method

$$|x - 1| < \epsilon \Leftrightarrow 1 - \epsilon < x < 1 + \epsilon$$

### Completeness

proof

Definition:-

upper bound

If for a set  $S$  of real numbers there exist a real number  $u$  such that

$$x \in S \Rightarrow x \leq u$$

Then  $u$  is called an upper bound of  $S$ . If there exist an upper

bound for a set  $S$ , the  $S$  is said to be bounded above.

$$|x - y| \leq |x| + |y|$$

Proof:

Case (i)

When  $x \geq 0$

$$|x - y| = x - y \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$x \leq |x| \quad y \leq |y| \quad [\text{by } 9-14]$$

Theorem 20:

The set of positive real numbers  $\mathbb{R}^+$  is not bounded above.

Proof:

Let  $u$  be an upper bound of  $\mathbb{R}^+$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^+ \Rightarrow x \leq u \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{1}$$

Now

$$\text{Let } (u < u+1) \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{2}$$

$$1 \in \mathbb{R}^+ \Rightarrow 1 \leq u$$

$$\Rightarrow u \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow u > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u+1 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u+1 \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

$$\text{but } u+1 > u$$

which is a contradiction in  $\textcircled{1}$

$\therefore$  our assumption is wrong

(i.e.)  $u$  is upper bound in  $\mathbb{R}^+$  is

wrong

$\Rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  has no upper bound

$\Rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is not bounded above

Hence proved.

Definition:  $\leftarrow w \in W \leftarrow$

supremum:  
If the set of all upper bound of a set of all real numbers has a smallest member, say  $w$  is said to be a least upper bound (or) supremum of  $S$ .

Theorem 21:

A set cannot have more than one supremum.

Proof:

It is possible let there are two supremum  $w$  &  $w'$  for the set  $S$ .

Case (i)

When  $w$  is the supremum

$$\Rightarrow w \leq w'$$

$$\Rightarrow w < w' \rightarrow \text{ⓐ}$$

Case (ii)

When  $w'$  is the supremum

$$\Rightarrow w' \leq w$$

$$\Rightarrow w' \rightarrow w \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

By law of trichotomy

$$w = w'$$

$\therefore$  the supremum of a set is unique.

Hence Proved.

Definition:-

C: Order completeness property.

Every non-empty set of real numbers which is bounded above has supremum.

Ex:

$\mathbb{R}$  satisfies the above property.

$\mathbb{R}$  is called as a completely ordered field.

Note 1:

$\mathbb{R}$  satisfies  $A_1 - A_5, M_1 - M_5, D,$

$O_1 - O_4$  and  $\epsilon$  this property, then  $\mathbb{R}$  is called complete ordered field.

note 2:-

Q does not satisfies "c"

Q is not complete.

Archimedean property of real numbers:-

Statement:-

If  $x$  and  $y$  be any positive real numbers. then there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $ny > x$  (lower bound)

Proof:-

Let us assume that the statement of the theorem be false.

$ny \leq x$  for all positive integer  $n$

$\Rightarrow x$  is an upper bound of the set

$$S = \{y, 2y, 3y, \dots\}$$

$\Rightarrow S$  is bounded above.

By order completeness property.

$S$  must have supremum say  $s$

$ny \leq s$  for all positive integer.

$\Rightarrow (n+1)y \leq s$  for all positive integer  $n$ .

$\Rightarrow (ny + y) \leq s$

$$\Rightarrow \exists n \text{ such that } ny \leq s-y$$

$\Rightarrow s-y$  is also an upper bound of  $S$ .

This contradiction.

Since  $s$  is the least upper bound

$\therefore$  our assumption is wrong.

$$\therefore ny \geq x$$

$\therefore$  Hence proved.

Corollary: 1.

If  $x$  be any real number, then there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $n > x$ .

Proof:-

Take  $y=1$  in the proof of the Archimedean property theorem.

$$(i.e.) ny > x$$

$$\text{put } y=1$$

$$= n > x$$

Hence proved.

Corollary: 2.

If  $x$  be any real number and  $y$  be any positive real number then there

exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $ny > x$ .

Proof:-

When  $x > 0$

There is nothing to prove

When  $x \leq 0$

takes  $n=1$

$$ny = 1 \cdot y$$

$$y > 0$$

$$y > x$$

$$\therefore ny > x$$

Hence Proved.

Theorem: 23



Let  $S$  be a non-empty set of real number bounded above. Then a real number  $s$  is the supremum of  $S$  iff the following two conditions hold

(i)  $x \leq s$  for all  $x \in S$

(ii) For each positive real number ' $\epsilon$ '

there is a real number  $x \in S$ ,  $\forall x > s - \epsilon$

Proof:-

necessary part

Let  $s$  be the supremum of  $S$ .

$\Rightarrow s$  is also all upper bound of  $S$

$\Rightarrow x \leq s$  for all  $x \in S$

$\therefore$  First condition is true.

If  $\epsilon$  is any positive real number  
Then

$$s - \epsilon < s.$$

$\Rightarrow s - \epsilon$  cannot be an upper bound  
of  $S$ .

Since

$s$  is the least upper bound.

$$\Rightarrow x < s - \epsilon \forall x \in S.$$

The second condition is true.

sufficient part.

conversely

Suppose (i) and (ii) is true

We have to prove that

$s$  is supremum of  $S$   
for that.

By (i)  $\Rightarrow$

$$x \leq s \text{ for all } x \in S.$$

$\Rightarrow s$  is upper bound of  $S$ .

Let  $s' \in S$ .

$s'$  is any real number.



note 2:-

Q does not satisfies "c".

"Q" is not complete.

Archimedean Property of real numbers:-

Statement:-

If  $x$  and  $y$  be any positive real numbers, then there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $ny > x$  (lower bound).

Proof:-

Let us assume that the statement of the theorem be false.

$\therefore ny \leq x$  for all positive integer  $n$

$\Rightarrow x$  is an upper bound of the set

$$S = \{y, 2y, 3y, \dots\}$$

$\Rightarrow S$  is bounded above.

By order completeness property,

$S$  must have supremum, say  $s$ .

$\therefore ny \leq s$  for all positive integer.

$\Rightarrow (n+1)y \leq s$  for all positive integer.

$\Rightarrow (n+1)y \leq s$

$$\Rightarrow ny \leq s - y$$

$\Rightarrow s - y$  is also an upper bounded of  $s$

This contradiction,

since  $s$  is the least upper bound

$\therefore$  our assumption is wrong.

$$\therefore ny > x$$

$\therefore$  Hence proved.

Corollary: 1.

If  $x$  be any real number, then there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $n > x$ .

Proof:-

Take  $y = 1$  in the proof of the Archimedean property theorem.

$$\text{C.e. } ny > x$$

$$\text{put } y = 1$$

$$= 1 \quad n > x$$

Hence proved.

Corollary: 2.

If  $x$  be any real number any  $y$  be any positive real number then there

exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $ny > x$ .

Proof:

When  $x > 0$

There is nothing to prove.

When  $x \leq 0$

takes  $n=1$

$$ny = 1 \cdot y$$

$$y > 0$$

$$y > x$$

$$\therefore ny > x$$

Hence Proved.

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Theorem: 23



Let  $S$  be a non-empty set of real numbers bounded above. Then a real number  $s$  is the supremum of  $S$  iff the following two conditions hold.

(i)  $x \leq s$  for all  $x \in S$

(ii) For each positive real number  $\epsilon$

there is a real number  $x \in S$ ,  $\forall x > s - \epsilon$

Proof:

necessary part

Let  $s$  be the supremum of  $S$ .

$\Rightarrow s$  is also all upper bound of  $S$ .

$\Rightarrow x \leq s$  for all  $x \in S$

$\therefore$  First condition is true.

If  $\epsilon$  is any positive real number

Then

$$s - \epsilon < s$$

$\Rightarrow s - \epsilon$  cannot be an upper bound of  $S$ .

Since

$s$  is the least upper bound.

$$\Rightarrow x \leq s - \epsilon \quad \forall x \in S$$

The second condition is true.

sufficient part.

conversely

Suppose (i) and (ii) is true

We have to prove that

$s$  is supremum of  $S$  for that.

By (i)  $\Rightarrow$

$$x \leq s \quad \text{for all } x \in S$$

$\Rightarrow s$  is upper bound of  $S$ .

Let  $s' \in S$

$s'$  is any real number.

But

$$s' < s.$$

$$\Rightarrow s - s' > 0.$$

Let

$$s - s' = \epsilon \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

By (2)  $\Rightarrow$

there exists a real number  $x \in S$  such that

$$x > s - \epsilon.$$

$$x > s - (s - s')$$

$$x > s - s + s'$$

$$x > s'$$

$\therefore s'$  is not upper bound of  $S$ .

$\Rightarrow s$  is the upper bound of  $S$  and

Any number less than  $s$  is not an upper bound of  $S$ .

$\Rightarrow s$  is bounded above.

By ordered completeness property

$\Rightarrow s$  is the supremum of  $S$ .

Hence Proved.

Definition:

Lower bound:

If for a set  $S$  of real numbers there a real number  $v$  such that

$$x \in S \Rightarrow x \geq v.$$

then  $v$  is called lower bound of  $S$ .

If there exists a lower bound of the set.

Then  $S$  is said to be bounded below.

Ex:-

The set of positive real numbers is bounded below  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

Definition:-

Infimum (or) Greatest lower bound.

In the set of all lower bounds of a set  $S$  of real numbers has a greatest number say  $t$ . then  $t$  is said to be greatest lower bound (or) or infimum of  $S$  (written  $\inf S$ ).

Theorem: 2.4

Any non-empty set of real numbers which is bounded below has infimum.

Proof:-

Let  $S$  be the non-empty set of real numbers and

Let  $\nu$  be the lower bound of  $S$

Let us denote by  $T$  the set of negative of numbers of  $S$ .

$$T = \{-x, x \in S\}$$

We show that  $T$  is bounded above for that.

Let  $y = -x$  for some  $x \in S \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$

Then  $x \geq \nu$

since

$\nu$  is the lower bound of  $S$ .

$$\therefore -y \geq \nu \text{ (by (1))}$$

$$y \leq -\nu \quad \forall y \in T$$

$T$  is bounded above set.

$-\nu$  is being an upper bound.

By completeness property. To show  
supremum of  $S$  is  $t$ .

$\Rightarrow$  It can be shown  $t$  is the  
infimum of  $S$ .

Let  $w$  be any lower bound of  $S$ .

Then  $t - w > 0$ .

$$-t \leq w$$

$\Rightarrow w$  be the lower bound of  $S$ .

$\Rightarrow -w$  be the upper bound of  $T$ .

$$\Rightarrow t \leq -w$$

$$\Rightarrow -t \geq w$$

$\therefore$  non-empty set of real numbers  
which is bounded has infimum.

Hence proved.

Theorem : 2.5

Let  $S$  be non empty set of  
real number bounded below. A real  
number  $t$  is the infimum of  $S$  iff  
the following condition holds.

$\Leftrightarrow$



- (i)  $x \geq b$  for all  $x \in S$ .  
 (ii) For each positive real number  $\epsilon$   
 there is a real number  $x \in S$  such that  
 $x < b + \epsilon$

Proof:

Necessary part.

Let  $b$  be the infimum of  $S$ .

$\Rightarrow b$  is also a lower bound of  $S$ .

$\Rightarrow x \geq b$  for all  $x \in S$ .

$\therefore$  First condition is true.

If  $\epsilon$  is any positive real number

Then

$$b + \epsilon > b$$

$$b + \epsilon > b$$

$\Rightarrow b + \epsilon$  cannot be a lower bound of  $S$ .

Since,  $b$  is the greatest lower

bound

$\Rightarrow x < b + \epsilon$  for some  $x \in S$ .

The second condition is true.

conversely

Suppose (i) and (ii) are true  
 we have to prove that

is infimum of  $S$ .  
for that

By (i)  $\Rightarrow$

$x \geq t'$  for all  $x \in S$ .

$\Rightarrow t$  is lower bound of  $S$ .

Let

$t'$  is any real number

But  $t' < t$

$\Rightarrow t' - t > 0$

Let

$$t' - t = \epsilon > 0$$

By (i)  $\Rightarrow$

There exist a real number  $x \in S$   
such that

$$x < t + \epsilon$$

$$x < t + (t' - t)$$

$$x < t + t' - t$$

$$x < t'$$

$\therefore t'$  is not lower bound of  $S$

$\Rightarrow t$  is lower bound of  $S$

$\Rightarrow t$  is lower bound of  $S$  and any number greater than  $t$  is not a lower bound of  $S$ .

$\Rightarrow S$  is bounded below.

By ordered completeness property.

$\Rightarrow t$  is the infimum of  $S$ .

Hence Proved.

subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

(i) natural numbers:-

The set  $\mathbb{N}$  of Natural numbers is the smallest subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

having the following property.

(i)  $1 \in \mathbb{N}$

(ii)  $m \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow m+1 \in \mathbb{N}$ .

The condition (i) and (ii) are required to Principle of finite induction.

The natural numbers satisfy the following conditions.

(i)  $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5$

(ii)  $M_1, M_2, M_3, M_4, M_5$

(iii)  $D$ .

2) Integers:

The set of all integers in the smallest subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

i.e)  $\mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{R}$  having the following property

(i)  $\mathbb{Z} \supset \mathbb{N}$

(ii)  $\mathbb{Z}$  contain an identity element for addition.

(iii)  $\mathbb{Z}$  contains the negative of each of its element.

The condition (i) and (ii) and (iii) satisfy the following condition

(i)  $A_1 - A_5$

(ii)  $M_1 + M_3, M_5$

(iii)  $D$ .

(3) Rational numbers: ( $\mathbb{Q}$ )

The set of all rational numbers is the smallest subset of having the following properties.

(i)  $\mathbb{Q} \supset \mathbb{N}$

(ii)  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a field.

Note:

$\mathbb{Q}$  does not satisfy completeness property.

Theorem : 26.

There is no rational numbers whose square is 2.

Proof:-

If possible. Let  $x$  be a rational no's whose square is 2.

Take  $x = p/q$   $p$  and  $q$  are integers with  $q \neq 0$ .

$$x^2 = 2$$

$$(p/q)^2 = 2 \rightarrow (1)$$

Let  $g$  be the greatest common division of  $p$  and  $q$ .

$$p = gm, \quad q = gn$$

Then  $m$  and  $n$  are co-prime

From (1)  $\Rightarrow$

$$\left(\frac{gm}{gn}\right)^2 = 2.$$

$$\left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^2 = 2$$

$$\frac{m^2}{n^2} = 2$$

$$m^2 = 2n^2 \rightarrow (2)$$

$\therefore m^2$  is even.

$m$  is also even.

$$m = 2u \text{ (say)} \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

From (2)

$$(2u)^2 = 2n^2$$

$$4u^2 = 2n^2$$

$$n^2 = 4u^2 / 2$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 = 2u^2$$

$\therefore n^2$  is even

$n$  is also even

$$n = 2v \rightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

here  $u$  and  $v$  are integers.

From (3) and (4)  $\Rightarrow$

$2$  is the common divisor of  $m$  and  $n$ .

This  $\Rightarrow$

$\perp$  to the case of  $m \leq n$ .

$\therefore m$  and  $n$  are co-prime.

$$(p/q)^n \neq 2$$

There is no rational no.

whose square is  $2$ .

Theorem : 27. (X)  
The set of rational numbers is not  
complete ordered field.

Proof:- It is enough to show that there  
exist a non-empty subset of  $Q$ ,  
which is bounded above and  
has no supremum.

$$\text{Define } S = \{x, x \in Q^{-1} \text{ and } 0 < x^2 < 2\}$$

$1 \in S \Rightarrow S$  is non empty.

since  $S$  is the upper bound of  $S$ .  
 $P \in S$  is bounded above.

(ii) We shall show that  $S$  does not  
have a least upper bound.

Let  $x$  be any rational number.

Case (i)

$$x \leq 0$$

Since all the element of  $S$  are  
positive  $x$  is not an upper bound of  $S$ .

$\Rightarrow x \notin S$  not supremum.

Case (ii)

When  $x > 0$  and  $0 < x^2 < 2$

$$\text{Let } y = \frac{4+3x}{3+2x} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$y^2 - 2 = \left( \frac{4+3x}{3+2x} \right)^2 - 2$$

$$= \frac{(4+3x)^2 - 2(3+2x)^2}{(3+2x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(16+9x^2+24x) - 2(9+4x^2+12x)}{(3+2x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{16+9x^2+24x-18-8x^2-24x}{(3+2x)^2}$$

$$(3+2x)^2$$

$$y^2 - 2 = \frac{x^2 - 2}{(3+2x)^2} \rightarrow (2)$$

From (1)

$$y - x = \frac{4+3x}{3+2x} - x$$

$$\frac{4+3x - 3x - 2x^2}{3+2x}$$

$$3+2x$$

$$\frac{4-2x^2}{3+2x} \rightarrow$$

$$y - x = \frac{2(2-x^2)}{3+2x} \rightarrow (3)$$



by (i)  $\Rightarrow x > 0$

$$x > 0 \Rightarrow y > 0$$

$$0 < x < y$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < y^2 < x^2 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$x^2 < 2 \Rightarrow x^2 - 2 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 2 < 0 \quad (\text{by 4})$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 < 2$$

$$y > 0 \text{ and } 0 < y^2 < 2 \quad (\text{from 4 \& 5})$$

$$\Rightarrow y < \sqrt{2}$$

Now,

$$x^2 - 2 < 0$$

multiply by (-1)

$$-x^2 + 2 > 0$$

$$\therefore 2 - x^2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y - x > 0 \quad (\text{by 3})$$

$$\Rightarrow y > x$$

$x$  is not an upper bound of  $S$

$\Rightarrow x$  is not supremum.

Case (iii)

$$x > 0 \text{ and } x^2 = 2$$

This is not possible, since  $\sqrt{2}$  is not a rational number.

number whose square is 2.

Case (iv)

When  $x > 0, x^2 > 2$

$$x > 0 \Rightarrow y > 0 \text{ (by (i))}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < y$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < y^2$$

$$x^2 > 2 \Rightarrow x^2 - 2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 2 > 0 \text{ (by (2))}$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 > 2$$

$$y > 0 \text{ and } y^2 > 2 \rightarrow (6)$$

Now,

$$x^2 - 2 > 0$$

multiply by (2)

$$-x^2 + 2 < 0$$

$$-2 - x^2 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y - x < 0 \text{ (by (3))}$$

$$\Rightarrow y < x \rightarrow (7)$$

Let  $p \in S$ .

$$\Rightarrow p > 0 \text{ and } 0 < p^2 < 2$$

$$\text{by (6)} \Rightarrow 0 < y$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < p^2 < 2 < y^2 \text{ and } y < x \text{ (by (7))}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < p < \sqrt{2} < q < x$$

$x$  and  $y$  are both upper bound of  $S$

But  $x$  is not least upper bound of  $S$ .

We are verified all the possibility.

$\therefore x$  is not the supremum of  $S$ .

$\Rightarrow S$  is not complete.

$\therefore$  The set of rational number is not ordered field.

Hence proved.

Finite set (Definition)

A set  $S$  is said to be finite

if either it is empty or for some natural number  $n$ , there exist a one-to-one mapping from the set

$\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  on to this set  $S$ .

If a set  $S$  is not finite it is said to be infinite.

Example :-

(i)  $\emptyset$  is a finite set

(ii)  $\{e, \emptyset, \sqrt{2}\}$  is a finite set.

(iii) The set of all natural number is infinite set.

Enumerable:

A set  $S$  is said to be enumerable if there exist a one-to-one mapping from the set  $N$  of all natural numbers on to the sets  $S$ .

countable:-

A set  $S$  is said to be countable if it is either finite or enumerable.

If a set is not countable, then it is said to be uncountable.

Example:-

(i) The set  $N$  of all natural numbers is enumerable. The identity mapping is the required one-to-one mapping.

(ii) The empty set is countable.

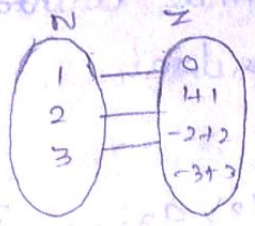
(iii) The set  $Z$  of the integers is countable.

Note:-

The mapping  $f: N \rightarrow Z$  define by

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right) & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ -(n/2) & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

is the required one-to-one mapping



RESULTS:-

- (i) Every subset of a finite is finite
- (ii) Every superset of a infinite set is infinite
- (iii) The intersection of every non-empty family of finite set is finite.
- (iv) The union of every non empty family of infinite set is infinite.

Theorem :- 28: (X)

Every subset of a countable set is countable.

Proof:

Let A be a countable set and B be subset of A. If B is finite then there is nothing to prove.

Without loss of generality assume that  
 $A$  is an infinite countable set and  $B$   
is infinite subset.

Let

$$A = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}$$

Then each element of  $B$  is an  $a_i \in A$   
for some index  $i$ .

Let  $n_1$  be the smallest index for  
which  $a_{n_1} \in A$  and as well as  $a_{n_1} \in B$ .

consider  $A \setminus \{a_{n_1}\}$

Let  $n_2$  be the smallest index for  
which  $a_{n_2}$  belongs to  $B$  as well as to  
 $A \setminus \{a_{n_1}\}$ .

consider  $A \setminus \{a_{n_1}, a_{n_2}\}$

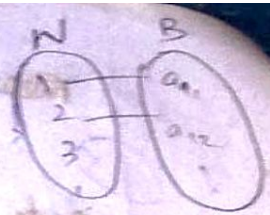
Let  $n_3$  be the smallest index for  
which  $a_{n_3}$  belongs to  $B$  well as to  
 $A \setminus \{a_{n_1}, a_{n_2}\}$

consider

$$A \setminus \{a_{n_1}, a_{n_2}, a_{n_3}\}$$

Proceeding in this way we can  
obtain.

$$B = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}$$



Then  $k \rightarrow a_k$  is the 1-1

mapping from  $N$  onto  $B$ .

$\Rightarrow B$  is countable.

Theorem 29:-

Every super set of an uncountable set is uncountable.

Proof:

Let  $A$  be an uncountable set.

Let  $B \supset A$ .

If  $B$  is countable, then the set  $A$  must also be countable.

(For it is subset of the countable set  $B$ )

set  $B$ )

since  $A$  is given to be uncountable

It follows that  $B$  must also be u.c.

Every super set of an u.c. set is u.c.

Theorem 8.10: -

If  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots$  are countable sets, then  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  is countable. (or) show that the infinite union of countable sets is countable.

Proof:

Let

$$A_1 = \{a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, \dots\}$$

$$A_2 = \{a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, \dots\}$$

$$A_3 = \{a_{31}, a_{32}, a_{33}, \dots\}$$

$$\vdots$$
  
$$A_n = \{a_{n1}, a_{n2}, a_{n3}, \dots\}$$

Here,

$a_{ij}$  =  $j^{\text{th}}$  element in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  set.

Define height of  $a_{ij} = i$ .

$\therefore$  Height of  $a_{11} = 1$  and this is the only element of height 1.

similarly the height of  $a_{12}$  and  $a_{21} = 2$

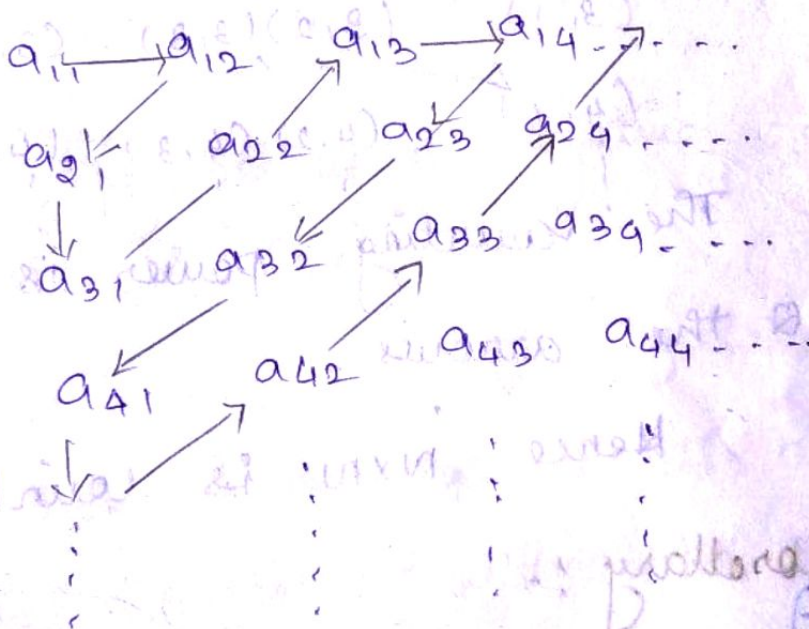
and there are the only elements of height 2.



Proceeding similarly there are  $(m-1)$  elements with height  $m$ .

Also height of each element is unique so using these heights we can arrange these elements as  $a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, \dots$

This process is shown below.



Thus all the elements are counted as in the figure according to their heights.

Hence  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  is countable.

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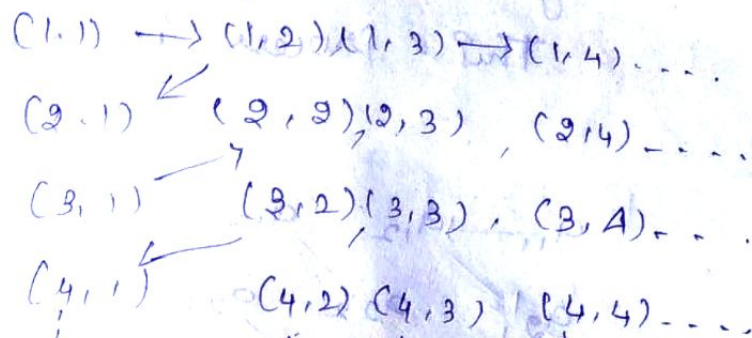
$A = \{p/q \mid p, q \in \mathbb{Z}, q \neq 0\}$

Theorem 31: ~~Lemma~~ ~~problem~~

The set  $N \times N$  is countable

Proof:-

We may arrange the elements of  $N \times N$  and count them as in the following diagram



The counting power is shown by the arrows

Hence  $N \times N$  is countable

Corollary :-

1) The set of all positive rational numbers is countable.

Proof:-

Let  $A$  be the set of all positive rational numbers

$A = \{ p/q : p \text{ and } q \text{ are positive integers prime to each other } \}$

Define  $B = \{ (p, q) : (p, q) \text{ fraction and } p, q \text{ are prime to each other} \}$

Then there is a 1-1 correspondence between the elements of  $A$  and  $B$ .

$\Rightarrow A$  is countable iff  $B$  is countable.

Since  $B$  is a subset of the countable set  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ ,  $B$  is countable.

$\Rightarrow A$  is also a countable.

Corollary:-

(2) the set of all negative rational numbers is countable.

Proof:

Let  $A$  be the set of all positive rational numbers and  $C$  be the set of all negative rational numbers.

Then there is a 1-1 correspondence

between the elements of  $A$  and  $B$ .

$\Rightarrow A$  is countable iff  $B$  is

Countable. Since  $B$  is a subset of the countable set  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ ,  $B$  is countable.

$\Rightarrow A$  is also a countable.

Corollary (2)

(2) The set of all negative rational numbers is countable.

Proof:

Let  $A$  be the set of all positive rational numbers and  $C$  be the set of all negative rational numbers.

Then there is a 1-1 correspondence between the elements of  $A$  and  $C$ .

$\Rightarrow C$  is countable if  $A$  is countable.

$\Rightarrow C$  is countable since  $A$  is countable.

Corollary (3)

(3) The set of all rational numbers is countable.

Proof:

$$\mathbb{Q} = A \cup C \cup \{0\}$$

where,

$A =$  the set of all positive rational

$C =$  the set of all negative rational

Here,  $A$ ,  $C$  and  $\{0\}$  are countable sets.

We know that the infinite union of

countable sets is countable.

Corollary:

(A) The set of all rational numbers in  $(0, 1)$  is countable.

Proof:

The set of all rational numbers in  $(0, 1)$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{Q}$  which is countable.

$\therefore$  the set of all rational numbers in  $(0, 1)$  is countable.

Theorem: 32.

The set  $[0, 1]$  is uncountable.

Proof:

Suppose that  $[0, 1]$  is countable.

then there exists a 1-1 mapping  $f$  from  $\mathbb{N}$  onto  $[0, 1]$ .

$$[0, 1] = \{f(1), f(2), f(3), f(4), \dots, f(n), \dots\}$$

Express each  $f(n)$  as a decimal

$$f(1) = 0.a_{11}a_{21}a_{31}\dots$$

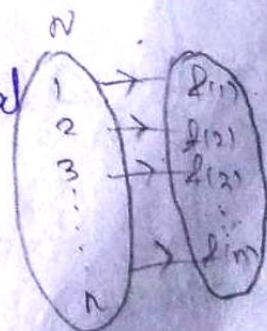
$$f(2) = 0.a_{12}a_{22}a_{32}\dots$$

$$f(3) = 0.a_{13}a_{23}a_{33}\dots$$

$$\vdots$$

$$f(n) = 0.a_{1n}a_{2n}a_{3n}\dots$$

$$\vdots$$



here  $a_{ij} \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 9\}$   
Define for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , a +ve integer  $b_n$  as follows

$$b_n = 1 \text{ if } a_{nn} \neq 1$$

$$= 2 \text{ if } a_{nn} = 1$$

$\therefore b_n \neq a_{nn}$  for each  $n$ .

Take  $y = 0.b_1 b_2 b_3 \dots$

$$\Rightarrow y \in [0, 1]$$

Now,  $y$  differs from  $f(n)$  in the first decimal place because  $b_1 \neq a_{11}$

$y$  differs from  $f(2)$  in the second decimal place because  $b_2 \neq a_{22}$

In general  $y$  differs from  $f(n)$  on the  $n^{\text{th}}$  decimal place.

$\therefore y \notin \{f(1), f(2), f(3), \dots, f(n), \dots\}$

$\Rightarrow f$  is not one to one

which is a contradiction

$\therefore [0, 1]$  is uncountable.

Corollary: (X)

The set of all real numbers is uncountable. p

Proof:-

We know that

$[0, 1] \subset \mathbb{R}$

Also,  $[0, 1]$  is uncountable.

The set of an uncountable set must be uncountable.

$\Rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  must be uncountable.

Corollary: (Y)

The set of all irrational numbers is uncountable.

Let  $S$  be the set of all irrational numbers then  $\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{Q} \cup S$ .

Here  $\mathbb{R}$  is uncountable and  $\mathbb{Q}$  is

Countable

$\Rightarrow S$  must be uncountable since if  $S$  is countable.

then  $\mathbb{R}$  will be countable.

[Infinite Union of countable sets is countable]

Theorem 33.

Let  $P_n$  be the set of polynomial function  $f$  of degree  $n$  defined by the relations of the form,

$$f(x) = a_0x^n + a_1x^{n-1} + a_2x^{n-2} + \dots + a_n$$

where  $n$  is a fixed non-negative integer the coefficients  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  are all integers with  $a_0 \neq 0$ . The set  $P_n$  is countable.

Proof:

Let us prove the theorem by induction on  $n$ .

When  $n=0$ ,

The set of polynomials with degree 0 is 1-1 correspondence with  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

since  $\mathbb{Z}$  is countable, the set of all polynomials with degree 0 is countable.

Let us assume that the set  $P_k$  is countable for some fixed non-negative integer  $k$ .



Define .

$$S_m = \{ f \cdot m x^{k+1} + g \mid g \in P_k \}$$

$$S_{-m} = \{ f \cdot (-m) x^{k+1} + g \mid g \in P_k \}$$

each  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

where  $S_m$  and  $S_{-m}$  are in 1-1

Correspondence with  $P_k$ .

$\Rightarrow S_m$  and  $S_{-m}$  are countable.

Since  $P_k$  is countable.

$\Rightarrow T_m = S_m \cup S_{-m}$  is countable.

$\Rightarrow \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} T_m$  is countable.

Since infinite union of countable

set is countable.

since  $\mathbb{Q}$

$\Rightarrow P_{k+1} = \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} T_m$  is countable.

Hence the theorem.

Algebraic Number:

A real number is said to be algebraic if it is the root of some polynomial equation with rational coefficients.

Theorem: 34

The set of algebraic numbers is countable.

Proof:-

Let  $n$  be any fixed positive integer. Then  $\mathbb{Q}_n$  is countable (by theorem 33)

$$\text{Take } A_n = \{f_{n1}, f_{n2}, f_{n3}, \dots, f_{nk}, \dots\}$$

where

$f_{nk}$  = polynomial of degree  $n$  with rational coefficients.

Let  $A_{nk}$  be the real roots of

$$f_{nk} = 0.$$

$\Rightarrow A_{nk}$  is countable.

$\Rightarrow A_n = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{nk}$  is countable.

Since

The infinite union of countable sets  $A_n$  is countable.

$\Rightarrow A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  is countable (since

the infinite union of countable sets is countable)

$\Rightarrow$  The set of algebraic numbers is Countable.

Transcendental Numbers:

A real number is said to be transcendental if it is not algebraic.

Theorem 35:-

The set of transcendental numbers is uncountable.

Proof:

Let  $T$  be the set of transcendental numbers and  $A$  be the set of algebraic numbers.

$$R = A \cup T$$

Here  $R$  is uncountable and  $A$  is Countable.

If  $T$  is Countable then  $R$  must be Countable as it was the union of Countable sets.

But  $R$  is uncountable

$\Rightarrow T$  must be uncountable.

The set of <sup>irrational</sup> transcendental numbers is uncountable.