

Sets can be arbitrarily large: For any set S , let

$\mathcal{P}(S)$ be the set of all subsets of S .

Cantor's Thm:

There does NOT exist a map $\varphi: S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(S)$ that is onto.

Proof. Suppose

$$\varphi: S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(S)$$

is a surjection.

Since $\varphi(x)$ is a subset

of S , either x belongs
to $\varphi(x)$ or it does not
belong to $\varphi(x)$. We let

$$D = \left\{ x \in S : x \notin \varphi(x) \right\}$$

Since ϕ is a surjection,

there exists $x_0 \in S$
such that $\phi(x_0) = D$.

There are 2 cases :

1. Suppose $x_0 \in D$.

Then $x_0 \in \phi(x_0)$.

By definition of D ,

$x_0 \notin D$. Contradiction

2. Suppose $x_0 \notin D$.

Then $x_0 \notin \varphi(x_0)$.

By definition of D ,

$x_0 \in D$. Contradiction.

Ex. Suppose $S = \{a, b, c\}$

$$\varnothing(S) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\},$$

$$\{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}$$

$$\text{and } \{a, b, c\}\}$$

S has 3 elements,

$P(S)$ has 8 elements.

There does not exist

a surjection from

S onto $P(S)$.

2.1 Algebraic and Order Properties of \mathbb{R} .

On \mathbb{R} , there are two

operations, addition +

multiplication. They satisfy:

$$(A_1) \quad a+b = b+a, \quad \begin{cases} \text{(commutative)} \\ \text{(addition)} \end{cases}$$

$$(A_2) \quad (a+b)+c = a+(b+c) \quad \begin{cases} \text{(associative)} \\ \text{(addition)} \end{cases}$$

$$(A_3) \quad \text{There is an element } 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{R} \text{ so } a+0 = a \quad \begin{cases} \text{(0-element exists)} \end{cases}$$

(A4) For each a in \mathbb{R} , there is
an element $-a$ in \mathbb{R} so
that

$$a + (-a) = 0 \text{ and } (-a) + a = 0$$

{negative element}

(M1) $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$ {commutative}
} multiplication

(M2) $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$
} associative
} multiplication

(M3) There is an element 1 in \mathbb{R}

so that $a \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot a = a$

{ unit element }
exists }

(M4). For each $a \neq 0$ in \mathbb{R} ,

there exists an element

$\frac{1}{a}$ such that

$$a \cdot \left\{ \frac{1}{a} \right\} = 1 \text{ and}$$

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{a} \right\} \cdot a = 1$$

{ existence
of reciprocal }

$$(D) \quad a \cdot (b+c) = (a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c)$$

and

$$(b+c) \cdot a = (b \cdot a) + (c \cdot a)$$

(distributive property)

In a word, \mathbb{R} is a field

By applying some of the
above properties, one
can show that the

- (1) zero element 0, the
 (2) unit element 1, and
 (3) the reciprocal $\frac{1}{a}$ are
 all unique.

For example, suppose $a \neq 0$

and $a \cdot b = 1$. Then

$$b = 1 \cdot b = \left(\left(\frac{1}{a} \right) \cdot a \right) \cdot b$$

(M3) (M4)

$$= \left(\frac{1}{a} \right) \cdot (a \cdot b) = \left(\frac{1}{a} \right) \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{a}$$

(M2) (D) (M3)

This proves (3)

Also, if $a \in \mathbb{R}$, then $a \cdot 0 = 0$

In fact,

$$a + a \cdot 0 = a \cdot 1 + a \cdot 0 = a \cdot (1+0)$$

by (M_3)

by (D)

$$= a \cdot 1 = a$$

by (A_3)

by (M_3)

Adding $\{-a\}$ to both sides, we get

$$a \cdot 0 = 0.$$

$$\text{Also, } 0 = \{-1\}(-1+1) = \{-1\}(-1) + \{-1\}.$$

Adding 1 to both sides, we get

$$(-1)(-1) = 1$$

We define subtraction by

$$a - b = a + (-b)$$

and also we write

$$ab = a \cdot b,$$

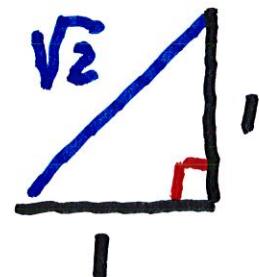
and $a^2 = aa$ and

$$a^3 = a^2 a \text{ and}$$

$$a^{n+1} = a^n a, \text{ etc.}$$

\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R} are both fields.

Thm. There does not exist a rational number r such that $r^2 = 2$



Suppose by contradiction that $r = \frac{p}{q}$. Then

$$r^2 = \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^2 = 2 \rightarrow p^2 = 2q^2.$$

We can assume that

p and q have no common

factor. Then at most one
of p and q is even.

Since $p^2 = 2q^2$, we see

that p^2 is even. This implies

that p is also even (because

if $p = 2n+1$ is odd, then

$$p^2 = 4n^2 + 4n + 1 \text{ is also odd.})$$

Hence we can write $p = 2m$,

so that

$$p^2 = 4m^2 = 2q^2.$$

Dividing by 2,

$$2m^2 = q^2.$$

Hence q^2 must be even,

which implies q is even.

This shows that both

p and q are even, which

is a contradiction.

It follows that

\mathbb{R} must include numbers

that are irrational

(i.e., not rational).

For this purpose we need to
study Order Properties.

i.e., $<$ and $>$.

Order Properties of \mathbb{R}

There is a nonempty subset

P of \mathbb{R} , called the set of positive real numbers such that

(i) If $a, b \in P$, then $a+b \in P$

(ii) If $a, b \in P$, then $ab \in P$

(iii) If $a \in \mathbb{R}$, then exactly one of the following holds:

$a \in P$, $a=0$, ${}(-a) \in P$

Trichotomy Property

If $\underline{-a \in \mathbb{P}}$, we say a is negative,

and we write $\underline{a < 0}$ or $\underline{0 > a}$.

If $\underline{a \in \mathbb{P}}$, we write $\underline{a > 0}$

or $\underline{0 < a}$

If $\underline{a \in \mathbb{P} \cup \{0\}}$, we write $\underline{a \geq 0}$.

If $\underline{-a \in \mathbb{P} \cup \{0\}}$, then we
write $\underline{a \leq 0}$.

If (i)-(iii) hold, then we say

\mathbb{R} is an ordered field.

Applying the Trichotomy Property
to $a-b$, we get

If $a-b \in P$, i.e. $a > b$.

If $-(a-b) \in P$, then $(b-a) \in P$

$\Rightarrow b > a$

If $a-b=0$, then $a=b$

Here are the Rules for

Inequalities :

Thm. Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$.
2.1.7

(a) If $a > b$ and $b > c$, then

$$\underline{\underline{a > c}}$$

(b) If $a > b$, then $a+c > b+c$

(c) If $a > b$ and $c > 0$, then

$$\underline{\underline{ca > cb}}$$

If $a > b$ and $c < 0$, then

$$\underline{\underline{ac < bc}}$$

Proof of (a): $a-b > 0$, $b-c > 0$

then $(a-b)+(b-c) > 0$

or $a-c > 0 \rightarrow a > c$

(b) If $a-b > 0$, then

$$(a+c) - (b+c) = a-b > 0$$

$$\rightarrow a+c > b+c$$

(c) If $a > b$ and $c > 0$, then

$$ca - cb = c(a-b) > 0.$$

$$\rightarrow ca > cb$$

If $c < 0$, then $-c > 0$. Hence

$$c(b-a) = -c(a-b) > 0$$

$$\rightarrow cb - ca > 0 \rightarrow cb > ca.$$

The Order Properties

in 2.1.5 and 2.1.6 lead to

2.1.10 and 2.1.11, which are useful for solving inequalities:

1. Suppose that $ab > 0$. If $a > 0$, then $b > 0$.
2. If $ab > 0$ and $a < 0$, then $b < 0$
3. If $ab < 0$ and $a > 0$, then $b < 0$
4. If $ab < 0$ and $a < 0$, then $b > 0$

Finally, we need to prove several facts:

Thm 2.1.8

(a) if $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and $a \neq 0$, then

$$a^2 > 0$$

(b) if $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $n > 0$

Since $1 = 1^2$, (a) $\Rightarrow 1 > 0$

(c) If $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $n > 0$.

Apply (b) and (i) from Order

Properties. Use Math. Ind.

(d) If $a > 0$, then $a^{-1} > 0$.

(e) If $0 < a < b$, then

$$a^{-1} > b^{-1}.$$

Pf. of (d). Suppose that

$a^{-1} \leq 0$. Then

$$1 = aa^{-1} \leq a \cdot 0 = 0.$$

This contradiction shows

$$a^{-1} > 0.$$

Pf. of (e). If $0 < a < b$,

then $a^{-1} - b^{-1} = (ab)^{-1}(b-a) > 0$

Since $(ab)^{-1} > 0$ and $b-a > 0$,

we get $a^{-1} > b^{-1}$.

Ex. Find all real numbers x
such that $3x + 4 \leq 12$.

Justify each step.

$$3x + 4 \leq 12 \Leftrightarrow 3x \leq 8 \Leftrightarrow x \leq \frac{8}{3}$$

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By (b) of 2.1.7

By (c) of 2.1.7

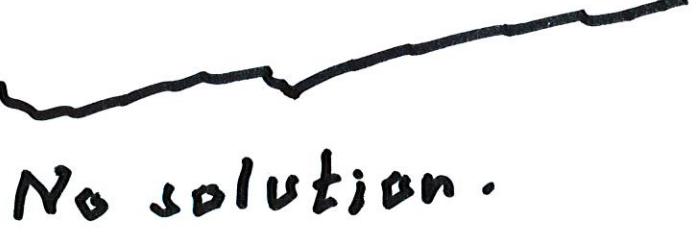
Ex. Solve $x^2 - 4x - 5 < 0$.

$$x^2 - 4x - 5 = (x-5)(x+1) < 0$$

\Leftrightarrow

If $x-5 > 0$, then $x+1 < 0$

By Property
(3) above



Or, by Property 4, if

$x-5 < 0$, then $x+1 > 0$.

∴ Solution is $-1 < x < 5$.

Finally, we have

~~Thm 2.1.8 :~~

~~(a) if $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and $a \neq 0$,~~

~~then $a^2 > 0$.~~

~~(b) $|z| \geq 0$. Since $|z|^2 = z^2$~~

~~this follows from (a)~~

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We will define \mathbb{R} as
the set of infinite
decimal expansions:

$$x = \pm B. b_1 b_2 \dots ,$$

where B is a non-negative
integer and b_j is the
coefficient of 10^{-j} and
 $0 \leq b_j \leq 9$

For example,

$$\pi = 3.14159265\dots$$

$$e = 2.71828182845\dots$$

$$\sqrt{2} = 1.4142135623\dots$$

It turns out that

rational numbers are

those decimal expansions

that are periodic.

Express $x = 45.2343434\dots$

Multiply by 10.

$$10x = 452.3434\dots$$

Multiply $10x$ by 100

$$1000x = 45234.3434\dots$$

Subtract:

$$990x = (45234 - 452)$$

$$x = \frac{44782}{990}.$$