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Main Content

Main Idea

Rational numbers are of the form $\frac{m}{n}$, where m and n are integers and $n \neq 0$.

Explanation

Review

1. Define the rational number system.

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Main Content

Main Idea

The rational number system is inadequate for many purposes, both as a field and as an ordered set.

Explanation

For example, there is no rational p such that $p^2 = 2$.

Proof 0.1 Suppose on the contrary there was a p that satisfied $p^2 = 2$. We could write $p = \frac{m}{n}$, where m and n are integers and coprime. The original expression implies

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

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

$$m^2 = 2n^2$$

From this expression, we see that m^2 is even, and thus, m is even. Plugging 2k in for m, it is clear that m^2 is divisible by 4. It follows that $2n^2$ is divisible by 4 as well, which implies n^2 is even, and thus, n is even. Therefore, our assumption leads to a contradiction that both m and n are even, thus violating the coprime property of m and n. Hence, it is impossible for p to be rational.

Proof 0.2 (Alternative) Let A be the set of all positive rationals p such that $p^2 < 2$ and let B consist of all positive rationals p such that $p^2 > 2$. By showing there is no largest element in A and no smallest element in B, we effectively partion the set of rational numbers, thus implying there is no rational p that falls outside these two sets, therefore satisfying $p^2 = 2$.

To prove that for every p in A we can find a rational q in A such that p < q, we associate with each rational p > 0 the number

$$q = p - \frac{p^2 - 2}{p + 2} = \frac{2p + 2}{p + 2}. (1)$$

Then

$$q^2 - 2 = \frac{2(p^2 - 2)}{(p+2)^2}. (2)$$

If p is in A then $p^2 - 2 < 0$, (1) shows that q > p, and (2) shows that $q^2 < 2$. Thus q is in A. If p is in B then $p^2 - 2 > 0$, (1) shows that 0 < q < p, and (2) shows that $q^2 > 2$. Thus q is in B.

Review

1. Prove that there is no rational p such that $p^2 = 2$ in two different ways.

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• Definition of Rational Numbers

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Main Content

Main Idea

Let S be a set. An order on S is a relation, denoted by <, with the following two properties:

• If $x \in S$ and $y \in S$ then one and only one of the statements

$$x < y,$$
 $x = y,$ $y < x$

is true.

• If $x, y, z \in S$, if x < y and y < z, then x < z.

Explanation

Review

1. Define order.

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Main Content

Main Idea

An ordered set is a set S in which an order is defined.

Explanation

For example, Q is an ordered set if r < s is defined to mean that s - r is a positive rational number.

Review

1. Define ordered set and give an example.

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• Order

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Main Content

Main Idea

Suppose S is an orderd set, and $E \subset S$. If there exists a $\beta \in S$ such that $x \leq \beta$ for every $x \in E$, we say that E is bounded above, and call β an upper bound of E. Lower bounds are defined in the same way.

Explanation

Review

- 1. Define upper bound.
- 2. Define lower bound.

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- Order
- Ordered Set

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Main Content

Main Idea

Suppose S is an ordered set, $E \subset S$, and E is bounded above. Suppose there exists an $\alpha \in S$ with the following properties:

- α is an upper bound of E.
- If $\gamma < \alpha$ then γ is not an upper bound of E.

Then α is called the least upper bound of E or the supremum of E, and we write

$$\alpha = \sup E$$
.

The greatest lower bound, or infimum, of a set E which is bounded below is defined in the same manner: If $\alpha = \inf E$, then α is a lower bound of E and no β with $\beta > \alpha$ is a lower bound of E.

Explanation

For example, consider the sets A and B from the alternative proof in Rationals are Inadequate. A and B are subsets of the ordered set Q. The set A is bounded above by the members of B. Since B contains no smallest member, A has no supremum in Q. B is bounded below by the members of A. Since A has no largest member, B has no infimum in A.

Review

- 1. Define supremum.
- 2. Define infimum.

- 3. If $\alpha = \sup E$ exists, then must α be a member of E? Give an example to justify your answer.
- 4. Let E consist of all numbers 1/n, where n=1,2,3,... What is $\sup E$ and $\inf E$? Are $\sup E$ and $\inf E$ members of E?

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- Definition of Rational Numbers
- Rationals are Inadequate
- \bullet Order
- Ordered Set
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Main Content

Main Idea

An ordered set S is said to have the least-upper-bound property if the following is true: If $E \subset S$, E is not empty, and E is bounded above, then sup E exists in S.

Explanation

Review

- 1. Define the least-upper-bound property.
- 2. Define the greatest-lower bound property.
- 3. Does Q have the least-upper-bound property? Explain.

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- Definition of Rational Numbers
- Rationals are Inadequate
- Order
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- Upper Bounds and Lower Bounds
- Supremum and Infimum

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Main Content

Main Idea

If an ordered set has the least-upper-bound property, then it also has the greatest-lower-bound property.

Explanation

Theorem 0.3 Suppose S is an ordered set with the least-upper-bound property, $B \subset S$, B is not empty, and B is bounded below. Let L be the set of all lower bounds of B. Then

$$\alpha = \sup L$$

exists in S, and $\alpha = \inf B$. In particular, $\inf B$ exists in S.

Proof 0.4 Since B is bounded below, L is not empty. Since L consists of exactly those $y \in S$ which satisfy the inequality $y \le x$ for every $x \in B$, we see that every $x \in B$ is an upper bound of L. Thus L is bounded above. Our hypothesis about S implies therefore that L has a supremum in S, namely α . If $\gamma < \alpha$ then γ is not an upper bound of L, hence $\gamma \notin B$. It follows that $\alpha \le x$ for every $x \in B$. Thus $\alpha \in L$. If $\alpha < \beta$ then $\beta \notin L$, since α is an upper bound of L. We have shown that $\alpha \in L$ but $\beta \notin L$ if $\beta > \alpha$. In other words α is a lower bound of B, but β is not if $\beta > \alpha$. This means that $\alpha = \inf B$.

Review

1. Prove that if an ordered set has the least-upper-bound property, then it also has the greatest-lower-bound property.

Links to Other Notes

- Definition of Rational Numbers
- Rationals are Inadequate
- Order
- Ordered Set
- Upper Bounds and Lower Bounds
- Supremum and Infimum
- Least-Upper-Bound Property

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Main Content

Main Idea

A field is a set F with two operations, called addition and multiplication, which satisfy the following field axioms (A), (M), and (D):

- (A) Axioms for addition
 - (A1) If $x \in F$ and $y \in F$, then their sum x + y is in F.
 - (A2) Addition is commutative: x + y = y + x for all $x, y \in F$.
 - (A3) Addition is associative: (x+y)+z=x+(y+z) for all $x,y,z\in F$.
 - (A4) F contains an element 0 such that 0 + x = x for every $x \in F$.
 - (A5) To every $x \in F$ corresponds an element $-x \in F$ such that x + (-x) = 0.
- (M) Axioms for multiplication
 - (M1) If $x \in F$ and $y \in F$, then their product xy is in F.
 - (M2) Multiplication is commutative: xy = yx for all $x, y \in F$.
 - (M3) Multiplication is associative: (xy)z = x(yz) for all $x, y, z \in F$.
 - (M4) F contains an element $1 \neq 0$ such that 1x = x for every $x \in F$.
 - (M5) If $x \in F$ and $x \neq 0$ then there exists an element $1/x \in F$ such that $x \cdot (1/x) = 1$.
- (D) The distributive law

$$x(y+z) = xy + xz$$
 holds for all $x, y, z \in F$

Explanation

Definition of Field

Review

- 1. Define field.
- 2. Is Q a field?

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Main Content

Main Idea

The axioms for addition imply the following statements.

- (a) If x + y = x + z then y = z.
- (b) If x + y = x then y = 0.
- (c) If x + y = 0 then y = -x.
- (d) -(-x) = x.

Explanation

Proof 0.5 If x + y = x + z, the axioms (A) give

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

This proves (a). Take z = 0 in (a) to obtain (b). Take z = -x in (a) to obtain (c). Since -x + x = 0, (c) with -x in place of x gives (d).

Review

1. What do the axioms for addition imply? Explain.

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• Definition of Field

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Main Content

Main Idea

The axioms for multiplication imply the following statements.

- (a) If $x \neq 0$ and xy = xz then y = z.
- (b) If $x \neq 0$ and xy = x then y = 1.
- (c) If $x \neq 0$ and xy = 1 then y = 1/x.
- (d) If $x \neq 0$ then 1/(1/x) = x.

Explanation

Proof 0.6 Suppose $x \neq 0$. Let xy = xz. The axioms (M) give

$$y = 1 \cdot y = (x \cdot (1/x)) \cdot y = (1/x) \cdot (x \cdot y)$$

= $(1/x) \cdot (x \cdot z) = ((1/x) \cdot x) \cdot z = 1 \cdot z = z$

This proves (a). Take z = 1 in (a) to obtain (b). Take z = (1/x) in (a) to obtain (c). Since x(1/x) = 1, (c) with 1/x in place of y gives (d).

Review

1. What do the axioms for multiplication imply? Explain.

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- Definition of Field
- Implications of Addition Axioms

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Main Content

Main Idea

The field axioms imply the following statements, for any $x, y, z \in F$.

- (a) 0x = 0.
- (b) If $x \neq 0$ and $y \neq 0$ then $xy \neq 0$.
- (c) (-x)y = -(xy) = x(-y).
- (d) (-x)(-y) = xy.

Explanation

Proof 0.7 0x + 0x = (0+0)x = 0x. Hence statement (b) from Implications of the Addition Axioms implies that 0x = 0, and (a) holds. Next, assume $x \neq 0$, $y \neq 0$, but xy = 0. Then (a) gives

$$1 = (1/y)(1/x)xy = (1/y)(1/x)0 = 0,$$

a contradiction. Thus (b) holds. The first equality in (c) comes from

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

combined with statement (c) from Implications of the Addition Axioms; the other half of (c) is proved in the same way:

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

Finally,

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

by (c) and statement (d) from Implications of the Addition Axioms.

Review

1. What other statements do the field axioms imply? Explain.

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- Definition of Field
- Implications of Addition Axioms
- Implications of Multiplication Axioms

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Main Content

Main Idea

An ordered field is a field F which is also an ordered set, such that

- x + y < x + z if $x, y, z \in F$ and y < z,
- xy > 0 if $x \in F$, $y \in F$, x > 0, and y > 0.

Explanation

Review

- 1. Define ordered field.
- 2. Is Q an ordered field?

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