The System of Integers, denoted  $\mathbb{Z}$ , is a set, containing constants 0 and 1 with  $0 \neq 1$ .

On the set  $\mathbb{Z}$ , the following are defined:

- 1. A binary operation  $(x, y) \rightarrow x + y$  (addition).
- 2. A binary operation  $(x, y) \rightarrow xy$  (multiplication).
- 3. A unary operation  $x \rightarrow -x$  (negation).
- 4. A relation <.

These are subject to the following axioms:

## The Domain Axioms

Commutativity

A1: For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ , x + y = y + x. M1: For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ , xy = yx.

Associativity

A2: For all x, y,  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ , (x + y) + z = x + (y + z). M2: For all x, y,  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ , (xy)z = x(yz).

Identity

A3: For all  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ , x + 0 = x and 0 + x = x. M3: For all  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ , x1 = x and 1x = x.

Invertibility

A4: For all  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ , x + (-x) = 0 and -x + x = 0. D: For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if xy = 0, then x = 0 or y = 0.

Distributivity

DL: For all x, y,  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ , x(y + z) = xy + xz and (y + z)x = yx + zx.

## The Order Axioms

O1: For all x,  $y \in \mathbb{Z}$ , exactly one of x = y, x < y, or y < x is true (trichotomy).

O2: For all x, y,  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if x < y and y < z, then x < z (transitivity).

O3: For all x, y,  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if x < y, then x + z < y + z.

O4: For all x, y,  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if x < y and 0 < z, then xz < yz.

## The Well-Ordering Property

For any non-empty subset  $A \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$ , with the property that for all  $x \in A$ ,  $0 \le \underline{x}$ , A has a smallest element. In other words, there is an element  $a \in A$  with the property that for all  $x \in A$ ,  $a \le x$ .