

→ set builder notation :-  $X = \{ \text{expression} : \text{rule} \}$

$$E = \{ 2n : n \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

①  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow n \in \{ \dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots \}$

②  $2n \Rightarrow \{ \dots, 2(-3), 2(-2), 2(-1), 2(0), 2(1), 2(2), 2(3), \dots \}$

③  $E = \{ \dots, -6, -4, -2, 0, 2, 4, 6, \dots \}$

→  $\{\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}\}$  → not special

→ but

$$\rightarrow \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x^2 - 2 = 0\} = \{\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}\}$$

↳ with context

→ Describe the set  $A = \{7a + 3b : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

→ imagine integer  $n$

→ you can write  $n$  as  $7n - 6n$

$$7n + 3(-2n),$$

→ so,  $n = 7a + 3b$  where  $a = n$  and  $b = -2n$

→ therefore  $n \in A$

→ since  $n$  was an integer,  $A$  contains only integers

→ since  $n$  was an integer, every integer is in  $A$

$$\text{then } A = \mathbb{Z}$$

Exercises: