

Text Preamble

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Preface/Intro chapter

Here is my tex preamble for my notes its pretty much just ducttaped together lol but i like the look hope you enjoy.

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Demo: Proofs, Margins, and Figures

This section demonstrates how to use various features of the template.

Subproofs with `\spf`

Here is a theorem that requires multiple subproofs:

Theorem 1.1. Sum of First n Integers.

For any positive integer n , we have

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \cdots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}.$$

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Proof

We prove this by strong induction on n .

Base Case ($n = 1$)

When $n = 1$, the left side is just 1, and the right side is $\frac{1 \cdot 2}{2} = 1$. Thus the formula holds for $n = 1$.

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Inductive Step

Assume the formula holds for some $k \geq 1$. We show it holds for $k + 1$.

By the inductive hypothesis:

$$1 + 2 + \cdots + k = \frac{k(k+1)}{2}$$

Adding $(k + 1)$ to both sides:

$$1 + 2 + \cdots + k + (k + 1) = \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + (k+1) = \frac{k(k+1) + 2(k+1)}{2} = \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}$$

This is exactly the formula with $n = k + 1$.

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By induction, the formula holds for all positive integers n . ■

Margin Comments

You can add comments in the margin using tufte-book's built-in commands:

The main commands are:

- `\marginnote{text}` – Simple margin note (unnumbered)
- `\sidenote{text}` – Tufte's sidenote (numbered like footnotes)¹
- `\footnote{text}` – Standard footnote (also goes to margin in tufte)²

You can also use symbolic footnotes for specific notes: ^{††} ^{##} And back to numbered: ⁵

Figures in the Margin

Tufte-book provides special environments for margin figures:

To place a figure in the margin, use the `\marginfigure` environment.

The figure will automatically be placed in the margin area.

You can also include external images in the margin using `\includegraphics` inside a `\marginfigure` environment.

Tables in the Margin

Similarly, you can place tables in the margin:

Use the `\margintable` environment for tables in the margin.

This is a margin note created with `\marginnote{...}`. It appears in the right margin alongside the text.

This is an unnumbered margin note.

¹ This is a sidenote. It's numbered and works like a footnote but appears in the margin.

² This is a standard numbered footnote.

^{††} This is a symbolic footnote (dagger) using the custom `footnotesymbolstrue` switch.

^{##} This is another symbolic footnote (double dagger).

⁵ This is a numbered footnote again.

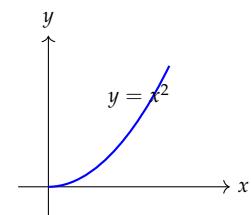


Figure 1.1: A simple parabola in the margin.



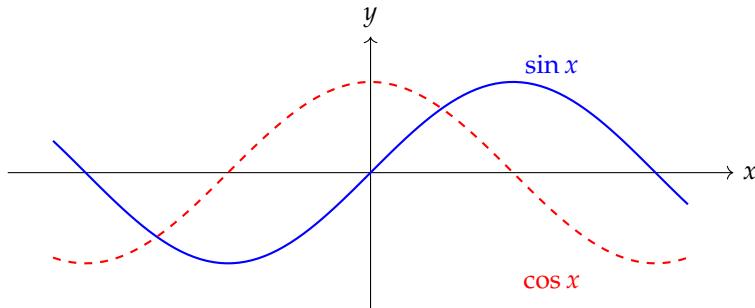
Figure 1.2: An image in the margin using `\includegraphics`.

n	$n!$
1	1
2	2
3	6
4	24
5	120

Table 1.1: First few factorials.

Full-Width Figures

For larger figures that need more space, use `figure*`:



Remark.

The `figure*` and `table*` environments span the full page width, including the margin area. These are useful for larger diagrams or tables.

Figure 1.3: Sine and cosine functions spanning the full text width plus margin.

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Example Chapter: Algebraic Foundations

We begin by establishing the fundamental algebraic structures that underpin the study of Number Theory and Linear Algebra. While the rigorous construction of these numbers via the Peano axioms is foundational,² we shall restrict our attention to their operational and order-theoretic properties.

2.1 The Integers

Addition and multiplication are well-defined operations on \mathbb{Z}^+ . For any $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, their sum $a + b$ and product ab satisfy the following fundamental laws:

Axiom 1. Associativity of Addition.

For all $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$.

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Axiom 2. Commutativity of Addition.

For all $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, $a + b = b + a$.

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Axiom 3. Associativity of Multiplication.

For all $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, $(ab)c = a(bc)$.

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Axiom 4. Commutativity of Multiplication.

For all $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, $ab = ba$.

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Axiom 5. Distributivity.

For all $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, $a(b + c) = ab + ac$.

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Axiom 6. Multiplicative Identity.

There exists an element $1 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that for all $a \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, $a \cdot 1 = a$.

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We assume familiarity with the set of positive integers, denoted by $\mathbb{Z}^+ = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$.

² Giuseppe Peano (1858–1932) formalized the axioms for natural numbers in 1889. His five axioms characterize \mathbb{N} uniquely up to isomorphism.

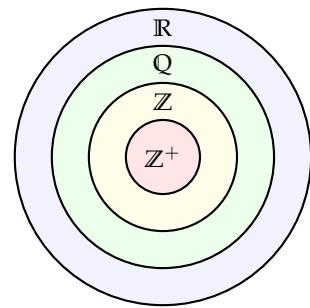


Figure 2.1: The tower of number systems: each set is contained in the next.

These axioms form the basis of what algebraists call a *commutative semiring*—a ring without additive inverses.

The set \mathbb{Z}^+ is also endowed with a strict total ordering, denoted by $<$. For any $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, exactly one of the following holds:

$$a < b, \quad a = b, \quad \text{or} \quad b < a.$$

This order respects the arithmetic operations:

- (i) If $a < b$, then $a + c < b + c$ for any c .
- (ii) If $a < b$, then $ac < bc$ for any c .
- (iii) If $a < b$ and $b < c$, then $a < c$ (Transitivity).

The structural essence of the positive integers is captured by the

Induction Axiom.¹

Axiom 7. Induction Axiom.

Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^+$. If S satisfies:

- (i) $1 \in S$, and
 - (ii) For any $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+, k \in S \implies k + 1 \in S$,
- then $S = \mathbb{Z}^+$.

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This axiom provides the basis for the First Principle of Mathematical Induction.

Theorem 2.1. First Principle of Mathematical Induction.

Let $P(n)$ be a proposition regarding positive integers. If:

- (i) $P(1)$ is true, and
 - (ii) $P(k) \implies P(k + 1)$ for any $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$,
- then $P(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

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An equivalent and equally powerful property of \mathbb{Z}^+ is the existence of minimal elements in non-empty subsets.²

Theorem 2.2. Least Number Principle.

Let S be a non-empty subset of \mathbb{Z}^+ . Then there exists $m \in S$ such that for all $x \in S$, $m \leq x$. We call m the least element of S .

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Conversely, if a set is bounded from above, it possesses a maximal element.

Theorem 2.3. Greatest Number Principle.

Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^+$ be non-empty. If S has an upper bound (i.e., there exists $M \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that $x \leq M$ for all $x \in S$), then there exists $g \in S$ such that for all $x \in S$, $x \leq g$.

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The *Least Number Principle* allows us to establish the Second Principle of Mathematical Induction (often called Strong Induction), which is frequently more useful when the recursive step depends on multiple preceding terms.³

¹ Induction formalizes the intuition that we can “climb” from 1 to any positive integer by repeatedly adding 1. This is sometimes called the *domino principle*.

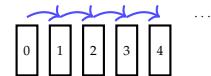


Figure 2.2: The domino metaphor: if the first falls and each knocks down the next, all fall.

² The equivalence of induction and well-ordering is a deep result. In fact, in set theory, one often *defines* the natural numbers as the smallest inductive set.

Also known as the *Well-Ordering Principle*. This property fails spectacularly for \mathbb{Q} and \mathbb{R} —consider the set $\{x \in \mathbb{Q} : x > 0\}$, which has no least element.

³ Strong induction is essential for proving the Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic: every integer $n > 1$ factors uniquely into primes. The proof requires knowing that *all* smaller numbers factor, not just the predecessor.

Theorem 2.4. Second Principle of Mathematical Induction.

Let $P(n)$ be a proposition regarding positive integers. If:

- (i) $P(1)$ is true, and
- (ii) For any $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, if $P(j)$ holds for all $1 \leq j \leq k$, then $P(k+1)$ holds,

then $P(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

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By adjoining the neutral element 0 and the additive inverses (negative integers) to \mathbb{Z}^+ , we obtain the set of integers, denoted by \mathbb{Z} . The addition operation extends to \mathbb{Z} such that $a + 0 = a$ for all a , and for every $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, there exists a unique element $-a$ such that $a + (-a) = 0$. This allows for the definition of subtraction: $a - b = a + (-b)$. We formalise the algebraic structure of \mathbb{Z} using the language of abstract algebra.¹

Definition 2.1. Group.

A set G equipped with a binary operation \cdot is called a *group* if it satisfies:

- (i) **Associativity:** For all $a, b, c \in G$, $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$.
- (ii) **Identity:** There exists an element $e \in G$ (often denoted 1) such that for all $a \in G$, $a \cdot e = e \cdot a = a$.
- (iii) **Inverses:** For every $a \in G$, there exists an element $a^{-1} \in G$ such that $a \cdot a^{-1} = a^{-1} \cdot a = e$.

If the operation is also commutative (i.e., $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$ for all $a, b \in G$), the group is called *abelian*.

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²**Definition 2.2. Additive Group.**

A set G equipped with an operation $+$ is called an additive group if it satisfies:

- (i) Associativity and Commutativity of $+$.
- (ii) Existence of an identity element 0.
- (iii) Existence of additive inverses for every element.

Thus, \mathbb{Z} forms an additive group.

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Definition 2.3. Commutative Ring.

A set R equipped with addition ($+$) and multiplication (\cdot) is called a commutative ring if:

- (i) R is an additive group under $+$.
- (ii) Multiplication is associative and commutative.
- (iii) Multiplication distributes over addition: $a(b+c) = ab+ac$.
- (iv) There exists a multiplicative identity 1.

The symbol \mathbb{Z} comes from the German word *Zahlen*, meaning “numbers.” This notation was popularized by Bourbaki in the mid-20th century.

¹ Abstract algebra emerged in the 19th century through the work of Galois, Abel, and others studying polynomial equations. The modern axiomatic approach was crystallized by Emmy Noether and her school in the 1920s.

² Named after Niels Henrik Abel (1802–1829), who proved the unsolvability of the general quintic. Tragically, he died of tuberculosis at age 26, just days before receiving a professorship offer.

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The set of integers \mathbb{Z} is a commutative ring. Furthermore, \mathbb{Z} possesses a crucial property regarding products: $ab = 0$ if and only if $a = 0$ or $b = 0$. A ring satisfying this property is called a *ring without zero divisors* (or an Integral Domain).¹ Consequently, the cancellation law holds in \mathbb{Z} : if $ab = ac$ and $a \neq 0$, then $b = c$.

The order properties of \mathbb{Z}^+ extend naturally to \mathbb{Z} . We also define the absolute value function $|\cdot| : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+ \cup \{0\}$ by:

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

The absolute value satisfies the Triangle Inequality:

$$|a + b| \leq |a| + |b|. \quad (2.1)$$

The set of rational numbers is defined as $\mathbb{Q} = \{p/q \mid p, q \in \mathbb{Z}, q \neq 0\}$, where $p/q = r/s$ if and only if $ps = qr$.² The integers are embedded in \mathbb{Q} by identifying n with $n/1$. In \mathbb{Q} , every non-zero element x possesses a multiplicative inverse x^{-1} such that $x \cdot x^{-1} = 1$. This property distinguishes \mathbb{Q} from \mathbb{Z} .

Definition 2.4. Field.

A set F is called a field if:

- (i) F is a commutative ring.
- (ii) For every $a \in F \setminus \{0\}$, there exists a multiplicative inverse $a^{-1} \in F$.

In other words, a field is a structure where addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division (by non-zero divisors) are well-defined.

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Thus, \mathbb{Q} , \mathbb{R} , and \mathbb{C} are fields, whereas \mathbb{Z} is not. We call \mathbb{Q} the field of quotients of \mathbb{Z} .

The real numbers \mathbb{R} may be constructed as the completion of \mathbb{Q} (via Cauchy sequences or Dedekind cuts),³ enabling the treatment of limits. The complex numbers $\mathbb{C} = \{a + bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ extend \mathbb{R} to an algebraically closed field.⁴ We recall Euler's formula, which connects the exponential function to trigonometry:

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta,$$

where θ is the argument of the complex number.

Since $\mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{C}$, we say that \mathbb{R} is an *extension field* of \mathbb{Q} , and \mathbb{C} is an extension field of \mathbb{R} .

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Structure	+ inv.	\times inv.
Semiring	✗	✗
Ring	✓	✗
Int. Domain	✓	✗
Field	✓	✓

Table 2.1: Hierarchy of algebraic structures by existence of inverses.

¹ In \mathbb{Z}_6 , we have $2 \cdot 3 = 0$ even though $2, 3 \neq 0$. Thus \mathbb{Z}_6 has zero divisors and is *not* an integral domain.

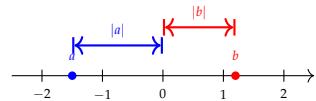


Figure 2.3: Absolute value as distance from zero on the number line.

² This equivalence relation is crucial: $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{3}{6} = \dots$ are all the same rational number. Formally, \mathbb{Q} is constructed as a quotient set.

Every integral domain can be embedded in its *field of fractions* via the same construction used to build \mathbb{Q} from \mathbb{Z} .

³ Richard Dedekind (1831–1916) introduced his “cuts” in 1872. A Dedekind cut partitions \mathbb{Q} into two sets A, B where every element of A is less than every element of B . Each cut corresponds to a unique real number.

⁴ A field is *algebraically closed* if every non-constant polynomial has a root. The Fundamental Theorem of Algebra states that \mathbb{C} has this property—every polynomial of degree n has exactly n roots (counted with multiplicity).

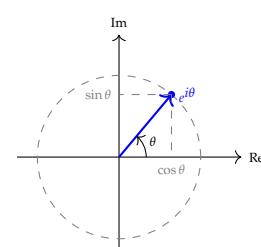


Figure 2.4: Euler's formula: $e^{i\theta}$ traces the unit circle in \mathbb{C} .