

CH 2 Number Systems

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1 The Real Numbers

\mathbb{R} is real numbers - on the real line - natural ordering

\mathbb{Z} is integers

\mathbb{N} is natural numbers (positive)

\mathbb{Q} is rational numbers (all fractions), see pg14

1.1 Definition of Addition and Multiplication for Real Numbers

commutative, distributive, associative

2 Rationals and Irrationals

there is no smaller positive rational

to disprove that a number is rational show that it's fraction is in lowest terms