

This document contains some definitions that are very useful.

**Definition.** Some common sets are:

1. The **natural numbers**,  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ . Note that some authors include 0.
2. The **rational**s,  $\mathbb{Q} = \left\{\frac{a}{b} : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0\right\}$ .
3. The **real numbers**,  $\mathbb{R}$ , which is essentially the number line.