



## FINITE SETS

### Why

#### Definition

We want to talk about the size of a set. A *finite* set is one that is equivalent to some natural number; an infinite set is one which is not finite.

**PROPOSITION 1.** *A set can be equivalent to at most one natural number.*

The *number* of a finite set is the unique natural number equivalent to it. We also call this the *size* of the set.

#### Notation

We denote the number of a set by  $|A|$ .

#### Properties

**PROPOSITION 2.**  $A \subset B \implies |a| \leq |B|$

