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References

We will study the set of real numbers \mathbb{R} , and then sequences and series in \mathbb{R} . I will follow mainly the textbook by Bartle and Sherbert [2]. Other references that inspired these notes are the books by Abbott [1] and Rudin [3].

You are not expected to purchase any of the above books. These lecture notes will cover 100% of the topics you are expected to known in order to excel in the final exam.

1 Numbers

1.1 Introduction

The aim of this chapter is to rigorously introduce the set of real numbers \mathbb{R} . But what do we mean by real number anyways? To start our discussion, introduce the set of natural numbers (or non-negative integers)

$$\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$$

On this set we have a notion of **sum** of two numbers, denoted as usual by

$$n + m$$

for $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$. Here the symbol \in denotes that m and n belong to \mathbb{N} . For example 3+7 results in 10.

Question

Can the sum be inverted?

2 Sequences

3 Series

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