

## Day 1— Summary — Real Numbers

1. Let  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  be the natural numbers,  $\mathbb{Z} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$  be the integers.
2. Let  $\mathbb{Q}$  be the rationals. If  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ , then  $x = n/m$ , for  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $m \neq 0$ . There are a countable number of rationals.
3. Let  $\mathbb{R}$  be the reals. There are an uncountable number of reals. Each real number has a decimal representation (possibly two)
4. Some axioms of real numbers:
  - (a)  $(x + y) + z = x + (y + z) \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$  (additive associativity)
  - (b)  $0 + x = x + 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  (additive identity)
  - (c)  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists y \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x + y = 0$  (additive inverse)
  - (d)  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x + y = y + x$  (additive commutativity)
  - (e)  $(xy)z = x(yz) \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$  (multiplicative associativity)
  - (f)  $1x = x \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  (multiplicative identity)
  - (g)  $\forall x \neq 0, \exists y$  such that  $yx = 1$  (multiplicative inverse)
  - (h)  $xy = yx \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  (multiplicative commutativity)
  - (i)  $x(y + z) = xy + xz \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$  (distributivity)
5. Completeness axiom of reals:
  - (a) Every non-empty set of reals which is bounded from above has a least upper bound. We denote the least upper bound of a set  $S$  by  $\sup(S)$ , which stands for the supremum of  $S$ . If  $S$  is unbounded from above, then we say that  $\sup(S) = \infty$ .
  - (b) Similarly, every non-empty set  $S$  which is bounded from below has a greatest lower bound,  $\inf(S)$ , which stands for the infimum of  $S$ . If  $S$  is unbounded from below, then we say that  $\inf(S) = -\infty$ .
6. Properties of the reals
  - (a) Triangle inequality: For real numbers,  $|x + y| \leq |x| + |y|$  and  $|x - y| \geq |x| - |y|$ .
  - (b) Archimedian property: If  $0 \leq x \leq 1/n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $x = 0$
  - (c) Density of rationals within the reals: For all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $|q - x| < \varepsilon$ .
  - (d) Between two distinct rationals, there is a real. Between two distinct reals, there is a rational.
7. The sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges if  $\exists a \in \mathbb{R}$  such that for all  $\varepsilon > 0 \exists N$  such that  $n \geq N \Rightarrow |x_n - a| < \varepsilon$ . We say that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a$ .
8. A bounded monotonic sequence converges.