

$$A \not\subseteq B \Rightarrow \exists x \in A \text{ s.t. } x \notin B. \quad \therefore \forall a \in A \quad a < x.$$

$$x \notin B \Rightarrow \exists q \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ s.t. } q \notin B. \quad \therefore \forall a \in A \quad a \in \downarrow x \subset B.$$

$$\Rightarrow A \subseteq B.$$

Why is  $\mathbb{Q}^+$  is  $\mathbb{Q}$  countable?

①

Let  $FS\mathbb{Z} = \{0\} \cup \{\text{finite sequences of integers which do not end in } 0\}$ .

define  $\text{Comp}: FS\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}^+$      $\text{Comp}(0) = 1, \text{Comp}(z_1, \dots, z_k)$   
 $= 2^{z_1} 3^{z_2} 5^{z_3} \dots p_k^{z_k}$ , where  $p_k$  is the  $k^{\text{th}}$  prime in  $\mathbb{N}$ .

The fundamental theorem of arith. says  $\text{Comp}$  is 1-1 onto:

$$q \in \mathbb{Q}^+ \Rightarrow q = \frac{n}{m} \quad n = p_1^{i_1} \dots p_{k_n}^{i_{k_n}}, \quad m = p_1^{j_1} \dots p_{l}^{j_l}$$

$$\therefore q = p_1^{-j_1} \dots p_l^{-j_l} p_1^{i_1} \dots p_k^{i_k} \quad (\text{after appropriate reordering of } p_1 \text{'s } \& \text{ } p \text{'s.})$$

The inverse of  $\text{Comp}$  is  $\text{Decomp}: \mathbb{Q}^+ \rightarrow FS\mathbb{Z}$

$$\text{Decomp}(1) = 0, \quad \text{Decomp}(n/m) = (-j_1, \dots, -j_l, i_1, \dots, i_k)$$

$$\therefore |FS\mathbb{Z}| = |\mathbb{Q}^+|.$$

Similarly  $\widetilde{\text{Comp}}: FSM_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ ,     $\widetilde{\text{Comp}}(1) = 1,$

$$\widetilde{\text{Comp}}((n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k)) = 2^{n_1} \cdot 3^{n_2} \cdot \dots \cdot p_k^{n_k}$$

is a bijection with  $\widetilde{\text{Decomp}}(1) = 0, \widetilde{\text{Decomp}}(m) = (n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k)$

$$\text{If } m = p_1^{n_1} p_2^{n_2} \dots p_k^{n_k}.$$

②

Let  $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  be the function

$$f(0) = 0, f(1) = 1, f(2) = -1, f(3) = 2, f(4) = -2, \dots$$

$$\text{i.e. } f(n) = \begin{cases} -\frac{n}{2} & \text{if } n \text{ even} \\ \frac{n+1}{2} & \text{if } n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

Then  $f$  is a bijection with inverse:  $f^{-1}(z) = \begin{cases} -2z & \text{if } z < 0 \\ 2z-1 & \text{if } z > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } z = 0 \end{cases}$

$$\therefore |\mathbb{N}_0| = |\mathbb{Z}|.$$

Let  $\times f: FS \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow FS \mathbb{Z}$  be the map:

$$\times f(\emptyset) = \emptyset, \quad \times f((n_1, \dots, n_k)) = (f(n_1), \dots, f(n_k)).$$

Then  $\times f$  has an inverse:

$$\times f^{-1}: FS \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow FS \mathbb{N}_0:$$

$$\times f^{-1}(\emptyset) = \emptyset, \quad \times f^{-1}(z_1, \dots, z_k) = (f^{-1}(z_1), \dots, f^{-1}(z_k)).$$

$\therefore \times f$  is a bijection;  $|FS \mathbb{N}| = |FS \mathbb{Z}|.$

$\therefore$  we have

$$\mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{\sim \text{Decomp}} FS \mathbb{N}_0 \xrightarrow{\times f} FS \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\text{Comp}} \mathbb{Q}^+.$$

The composition is a bijection.

$$\therefore |\mathbb{N}| = |\mathbb{Q}^+|$$

$\mathbb{Q}^+$  is countable.

$$\text{Let } \phi: \mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Q}^+$$

be the composition  $\phi = \text{Comp} \circ \times f \circ \text{Decomp}.$

• let  $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  be the map  $f(m) = m+1$ .

Then  $f$  is a bijection since it has inverse  $f^{-1}(m) = m-1$ .

$\therefore |\mathbb{N}_0| = |\mathbb{N}|$ .

• We have bijections:  $\mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{f^{-1}} \mathbb{N}_0 \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{Z}$ .

$\therefore |\mathbb{N}| = |\mathbb{Z}| \Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is countable.

• note:  $\mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Q}^+ \cup \{0\} \cup \mathbb{Q}^- \quad ; \quad \mathbb{Q}^- = \{-q \mid q \in \mathbb{Q}^+\}$

define:  $\psi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  to be

note:  $\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \cup \mathbb{N}^-$   
where  $\mathbb{N}^- = \{-n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

$$\psi(0) = 0, \quad \psi(z) = \begin{cases} \phi(z) & ; z \in \mathbb{N} \\ -\phi(z) & ; z \in \mathbb{N}^- \end{cases}$$

Since  $\phi$  is a bijection,  $\psi$  is a bijection.

$\therefore |\mathbb{Z}| = |\mathbb{Q}| \quad ; \quad \mathbb{Q}$  is countable since  $\mathbb{Z}$  is countable.

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