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The Natural Numbers الأعداد الطبيعية

**Definition:**

Let  $1 = \varnothing$ , where  $\varnothing$  is empty set.

$$2 = \{1\}$$

$$3 = \{1, 2\},$$

$$4 = \{1, 2, 3\},$$

$$5 = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

**Definitions.**

1. Successor of element:  $n^+ = n+1$
2. Successor of set: The successor of  $S$  is denoted by  $S^+$  and defined by  $S^+ = S \cup \{S\}$
3. Successor set: Let  $S$  be any set. We say that  $S$  is successor set if

$$1. 1 \in S$$

$$2. \text{ If } x \in S, \text{ then } x^+ \in S. \quad (\text{i.e } S = \{1, 2, \dots\})$$

**Remarks.**

$$1. S \subset S^+$$

$$2. S \in S^+$$

**Examples.**

$$a. \text{ If } S = \{a, b\}, \text{ then } S^+ = S \cup \{S\} = \{a, b, \{a, b\}\}$$

$$b. 1 = \varnothing$$

$$c. 2 = 1^+ = \{1\} = \varnothing \cup \{1\}$$

$$d. 3 = 2^+ = \{1, 2\} = \{1\} \cup \{2\} = 2 \cup \{2\}$$

$$e. 4 = 3^+ = \{1, 2, 3\} = \{1, 2\} \cup \{3\} = 3 \cup \{3\}$$

$$f. 5 = 4^+ = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} = \{1, 2, 3\} \cup \{4\} = 4 \cup \{4\}$$

Remark. If  $n = \{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$ , then  $n^+ = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ ,

السؤال الذي يطرح هنا: هل يوجد شيء ممكن تسميته مجموعة الأعداد الطبيعية؟ ان الطريقة التي ذكرناها سابقا لا نستطيع بواسطتها تكوين مجموعة كل الأعداد الطبيعية حيث يمكن فقط تكوين الأعداد  $1, 2, \dots, n$ . لذا لا نستطيع أن نتكلم عن مجموعة كل الأعداد الطبيعية

**Remark.**

Any successor set contain the numbers  $1, 2, \dots, n$

**Proof.** Since if  $S$  is successor  $\emptyset \in S \Rightarrow 1 \in S \Rightarrow 1^+ \in S \Rightarrow 2 \in S$   
set, then  $\Rightarrow 1, 2, \dots, n \in S$

**Axiom of Infinity** (بديهية المالانهاية)

There exists successor set (توجد مجموعة تابعة)

**Theorem.**

1. The family of successor sets is nonempty
2. The intersection of any nonempty family of successor sets is also successor set.

**Proof:**

1. Direct from Axiom of Infinity.

2. Let  $\{A_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  be nonempty family of successor sets

$$\Rightarrow \emptyset \in A_\lambda \quad \text{for all } \lambda \in \Lambda \Rightarrow \emptyset \in \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda$$

$$\text{Let } x \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha \Rightarrow x \in A_\alpha \quad \text{for all } \alpha \in \Lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow x^+ \in A_\lambda \quad \text{for all } \lambda \in \Lambda \Rightarrow x^+ \in \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda \text{ so that } \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda \text{ is successor set.}$$

**Definition.**

The intersection of all successor sets is called the set of natural numbers and denoted by  $\mathbb{N}$ . Each element of  $\mathbb{N}$  is called the natural number. The set of natural numbers is smallest successor set.

**Lemma (\*):** The set  $S$  is said to be transitive set is it satisfy  $x \in n^+ \rightarrow x \subseteq n^+$

### Examples.

1. The set  $A = \{a, b\}$  is not transitive, since  $a \in A$ , but  $a \notin A$

2. The natural number 3 is transitive set, since  $3 = \{1, 2\}$ , and

$$1 \in 3 \Rightarrow 1 = \emptyset \subseteq 3$$

$$2 \in 3 \Rightarrow 2 = \{1\} \subseteq 3$$

$$\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} \in 3 \Rightarrow \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} \subseteq 3, \text{ since } \emptyset \in 3 \text{ and } \{\emptyset\} \in 3$$

**Remark.** Every natural number satisfy the property  $x \in n^+ \rightarrow x \subseteq n^+$

### Peano's Axioms

The Peano's axioms for natural numbers are:

1.  $1 \in \mathbb{N}$
2. If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $n^+ \in \mathbb{N}$
3. If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $n^+ \neq 1$
4. If  $X$  is a successor subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ , then  $X = \mathbb{N}$
5. If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n^+ = m^+$ , then  $n = m$ .

**Proof 1.** Since  $\mathbb{N}$  is successor set, then  $1 \in \mathbb{N}$

**Proof 2.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , since  $\mathbb{N}$  is successor set, then  $n^+ \in \mathbb{N}$

**Proof 3.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n^+ = n \cup \{n\} \Rightarrow n \in n^+ \Rightarrow n^+ \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow n^+ \neq 1$

**Proof 4.**  $\because \mathbb{N}$  is intersection of successor set and  $X$  is successor set,

$$\because \mathbb{N} \subseteq X, \text{ but } X \subseteq \mathbb{N}, \text{ then } X = \mathbb{N}.$$

**Proof 5.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n^+ = m^+$

Since  $n \in n^+$  and  $n^+ = m^+$ , then  $n \in m^+$ , but  $m^+ = m \cup \{m\}$ , then either  $n \in m$  or  $n = m$

If  $n=m$ , we are done. Or  $n \in m$ , by lemma (\*), we have  $n \subseteq m$

by the same argument we have  $m \subseteq n$ ,  $\rightarrow n=m$ .

**Remark.** Axiom (4) is called The Principle of Mathematical Induction.

### Arithmetic of the Natural Numbers حساب الأعداد الطبيعية

#### Addition on $\mathbb{N}$ الجمع على الأعداد الطبيعية

##### Theorem.

Let  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\exists ! +: \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$+(m, n^+) = (+ (m, n))^+, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

##### Definition.

We write  $+(m, n) = m + n$  name “addition”

##### Theorem.

$$1. m + n^+ = ((m + n))^+, \forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}.$$

##### Example:

$$1 + 2 = 1 + 1^+ = (1 + 1)^+ = 2^+ = 3$$

##### Cancellation law for addition

Let  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $m + k = n + k$ , then  $n = m$ .

##### Properties of addition on $\mathbb{N}$

**Theorem:** for all  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}$ :

1.  $n^+ = 1 + n$
2.  $(m + n) + k = m + (n + k)$  (Associative property)
3.  $m + n = n + m$ . (Commutative property)

##### Proof.

$$1. \text{ Let } X = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : n^+ = 1 + n\} \Rightarrow X \subseteq \mathbb{N}$$

Since  $1^+ = 2 = 1 + 1$ , then  $1 \in X$

Let  $n \in X$ . To prove  $n^+ \in X$

Since  $n \in X \Rightarrow n^+ = 1 + n$

$\Rightarrow (n^+)^+ = (1 + n)^+ = 1 + n^+ \Rightarrow n^+ \in X$ . By the axiom of induction  $X = \mathbb{N}$ .

2. Let  $X_{mn} = \{k \in \mathbb{N} : (m+n) + k = m + (n+k)\} \Rightarrow X_{mn} \subseteq \mathbb{N}$

Since  $(m+n) + 1 = (m+n)^+, m + (n+1) = m + n^+ = (m+n)^+$ , then  $1 \in X_{mn}$

Let  $k \in X_{mn}$ . To prove  $k^+ \in X_{mn}$

Since  $k \in X_{mn} \Rightarrow (m+n) + k = m + (n+k)$

$$(m+n) + k^+ = ((m+n) + k)^+ = (m + (n+k))^+ = m + (n+k)^+ = m + (n+k^+)$$

$\Rightarrow k^+ \in X_{mn}$ . By the axiom of induction  $X = \mathbb{N}$ .

3. let  $X_m = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : m + n = n + m\} \Rightarrow X_m \subseteq \mathbb{N}$

Since  $n + 1 = n^+, 1 + n = n^+$ , then  $1 \in X_m$

Let  $n \in X_m$ . To prove  $n^+ \in X_m$

Since  $n \in X_m \Rightarrow m + n = n + m$

$m + n^+ = (m+n)^+ = 1 + (n+m) = (1+n) + m = n^+ + m \Rightarrow n^+ \in X_m$ . By the axiom of induction  $X_m = \mathbb{N}$

### Multiplication on $\mathbb{N}$

**Definition.** Let  $m \in \mathbb{N}, \cdot : \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\cdot(n, m) = \mathbf{n \cdot m} \quad \text{for all } m, n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Then  $m.n$  is said to be multiply natural numbers.

**Remark.** let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $m.n^+ = m.n + m$

## Properties of multiplication on $\mathbb{N}$

### Theorem.

1.  $1 \cdot n = n$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$
2.  $m \cdot (n + k) = m \cdot n + m \cdot k$  for all  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}$  (Left distributive over addition)
3.  $(n + k) \cdot m = n \cdot m + k \cdot m$  for all  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}$  (right distributive over addition)
4.  $(m \cdot n) \cdot k = m \cdot (n \cdot k)$  for all  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}$  (Associative Properties)
5.  $m \cdot n = n \cdot m$  for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  (Commutative Properties)

### Proof

1. Let  $X = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : 1 \cdot n = n\} \Rightarrow X \subseteq \mathbb{N}$

Since  $1 \cdot 1 = 1$ , then  $1 \in X$

Let  $n \in X$ . To prove  $n^+ \in X$

Since  $n \in X \Rightarrow 1 \cdot n = n$

$1 \cdot n^+ = 1 \cdot n + 1 = n + 1 = 1 + n = n^+ \Rightarrow n^+ \in X$ . By the axiom of induction  $X = \mathbb{N}$ .

2. Let  $X_{mn} = \{k \in \mathbb{N} : (m \cdot n) \cdot k = m \cdot (n \cdot k)\} \Rightarrow X_{mn} \subseteq \mathbb{N}$

Since  $(m \cdot n) \cdot 1 = m \cdot n$  and  $m \cdot (n \cdot 1) = m \cdot n \Rightarrow (m \cdot n) \cdot 1 = m \cdot (n \cdot 1)$  then  $1 \in X_{mn}$

Let  $k \in X_{mn}$ . To prove  $k^+ \in X_{mn}$

Since  $k \in X_{mn} \Rightarrow (m \cdot n) \cdot k = m \cdot (n \cdot k)$

$$(m \cdot n) \cdot k^+ = (m \cdot n) \cdot k + m \cdot n = m \cdot (n \cdot k) + m \cdot n = m \cdot (n \cdot k + n) = m \cdot (n \cdot k^+)$$

$\Rightarrow k^+ \in X_{mn}$ . By the axiom of induction  $X_{mn} = \mathbb{N}$ .

3. Let  $X_m = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : m \cdot n = n \cdot m\} \Rightarrow X_m \subseteq \mathbb{N}$

Since  $m \cdot 1 = m$ ,  $1 \cdot m = m$ , then  $1 \in X_m$

Let  $n \in X_m$ . To prove  $n^+ \in X_m$

Since  $n \in X_m \Rightarrow m \cdot n = n \cdot m$

$$m \cdot n^+ = m \cdot n + m = n \cdot m + m \cdot 1 = (n + 1) \cdot m = (1 + n) \cdot m = n^+ \cdot m$$

$\Rightarrow n^+ \in X_m$ . By the axiom of induction  $X_m = \mathbb{N}$ .

**Definition (3.23):**

Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Define  $m^n$  as follows

$$m^{n^+} = \underbrace{m^+ \times m^+ \times \dots \times m^+}_{n\text{-time}} \text{ for all } n, m \in \mathbb{N}$$

**Theorem (3.24):**

1.  $m^{n+k} = m^n \times m^k$  for all  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}$
2.  $(m \times n)^k = m^n \times n^k$  for all  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}$
3.  $(m^n)^k = m^{n \times k}$  for all  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}$



## Finite and Infinite Sets

### Definition:

1. A set  $A$  is said to be **finite** if  $\exists$  bijective  $f: A \rightarrow B$  with  $B \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  where  $B = \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .
2. A set  $A$  is said to be **infinite** if  $\nexists$  bijective  $f: A \rightarrow B$  with  $B \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ .

### Remark:

Let  $A$  be a set. The cardinal number of  $A$  is the number of elements in the set  $A$ . ( $\#(A)$  or  $|A|$ )

### Remarks:

1. The set of natural numbers is an infinite set.
2.  $B = \{6, 8, 10, 12, \dots\}$  is an infinite set.
3. The empty set  $\emptyset$  is a finite set (because there exists a bijection  $g: \emptyset \rightarrow \{0\}$ ).
4. The set  $A = \{a, b, c, d\}$  is a finite set.

### Definition:

1. A set  $S$  is said to be countable if there does not exist a 1-1 function  $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ .
2. A set  $S$  is said to be uncountable if there does not exist a 1-1 function  $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ .
3.  $\#(\mathbb{N}) = \aleph_0$  (aleph-null). If  $\#A$  or  $|A| \leq \aleph_0$ , then  $A$  is countable.
4.  $A$  is countable infinite if  $|A| = \aleph_0$ .
5. Every subset of a countable set is either finite or countable.

**Theorem:** For any set  $A$ , the following statements are equivalent:

1.  $A$  is Countable ( $A$  معدودة مجموعة).
2.  $\exists$  a bijective function  $\alpha: A \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ .
3.  $A$  is either finite or countably infinite

### Theorem:

For any set  $A$ , the following statements are equivalent:

1.  $A$  is Countably Infinite ( $A$  منتهية غير معدودة).
2. There exists a bijective function  $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ .

3. The elements of  $A$  can be arranged in an infinite sequence  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots$ ,  
where  $a_i \neq a_j$  for  $i \neq j$ .

عناصر المجموعة  $A$  يمكن ترتيبها ضمن تسلسل غير منتهٍ من عناصر مختلفة ( $a_i \neq a_j$ )

**Corollary.** For any set  $A$ , the following statements are equivalent:

1.  $A$  is Countably Infinite ( $A$  منتهية غير معدودة).
2. The elements of  $A$  can be arranged in an infinite sequence  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots$ ,  
where  $a_i \neq a_j$  for  $i \neq j$ .

**Proof.**  $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose  $A$  is countable  $\Rightarrow \exists$  a bijective  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow A$ .

$$\Rightarrow A = f(\mathbb{N}) = \{f(1), f(2), \dots\}$$

$$\text{Put } f(n) = a_n \text{ for all } n \text{ in } \mathbb{N}. \Rightarrow A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$$

$\Leftarrow$ ) suppose that  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$  such that  $a_i \neq a_j$  for  $i \neq j$ .

Define  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow A$  by  $f(n) = a_n$  for all  $n$  in  $\mathbb{N}$ . Then

1.  $f$  is one-one: let  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $f(x) = f(y) \Rightarrow a_x = a_y \Rightarrow x = y$

if  $x \neq y \Rightarrow a_x \neq a_y \Rightarrow f(x) \neq f(y) \Rightarrow f$  is one to one.

2.  $f$  is onto: by definition of  $f$ ,  $\forall a_n \in A$ ,  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $f(n) = a_n$

$\therefore f$  is bijective

$\therefore A$  is countable

**Remarks:**

1. If  $A$  and  $B$  are countable sets, then  $A \times B$  is countable.

**Proof.**  $A$  and  $B$  are countable sets, then:

i. either  $A$  and  $B$  are finite sets, then

$$A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m\} \text{ and } B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$$

$\therefore A \times B$  is countable.

ii. Or A and B are infinite sets, then

iii.  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$  and  $\Rightarrow B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots\}$

$\Rightarrow A \times B = \{(a_i, b_j) \mid a_i \in A, b_j \in B \text{ and } i, j \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is infinite.

$\Rightarrow A \times B$  can be arranged by

	$b_1$	$b_2$	$b_3$	.....
$a_1$	$(a_1, b_1)$	$(a_1, b_2)$	$(a_1, b_3)$	....
$a_2$	$(a_2, b_1)$	$(a_2, b_2)$	$(a_2, b_3)$	.....
$a_3$	$(a_3, b_1)$	$(a_3, b_2)$	$(a_3, b_3)$	....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

So, the first element is  $(a_1, b_1)$

$\Rightarrow$  we can list all elements of  $A \times B$  in an infinite sequence.

$\therefore A \times B$  is countable

2. If A and B are countable sets, then  $A \cup B$  is countable.

3. The set of all finite subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$  is countable.

### Cantor's Theorem:

Let A be a set and  $P(A)$  be the power set of A. Then there does not exist a surjective function  $f: A \rightarrow P(A)$ .

### Theorem:

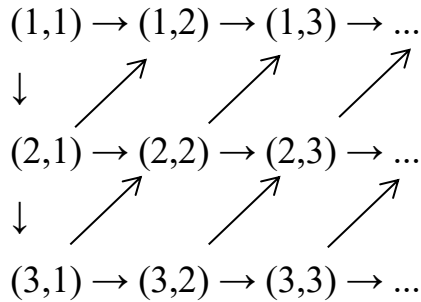
The set  $P(\mathbb{N})$  is uncountable.

**Theorem** The Cartesian product of  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  is countable.

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**Proof.** To prove that  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  is countable:

The elements of  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  can be arranged as a matrix:



Hence:

$$\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} = \{ (1,1), (2, 1), (1, 2), (3, 1), (2, 2), (1, 3), \dots \}$$

We can write it as:

$$\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} = \{ a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5, \dots \}$$

Where:

$$a_1 = (1,1)$$

$$a_2 = (2, 1)$$

$$a_3 = (1, 2)$$

$$a_4 = (3, 1)$$

$$a_5 = (2, 2)$$

.....

The elements of  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  can be numbered,

which means that we can arrange the natural numbers in a sequence that matches all pairs in  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  without repetition.

$\therefore \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  is countable.