

Irrational Numbers Do Not Exist

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The Rational Number ρ

Let r and n be integers whose absolute values approach *infinity*, then

$$\lim_{|r|, |n| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r}{n} = \rho \quad (1)$$

Any rational number that is very near to r/n will converge to ρ

$$\lim_{|r|, |n| \rightarrow \infty, \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{r+k}{n} \right) = \lim_{|r|, |n| \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{r}{n} + 0 \right) = \rho$$

for any small integer k .

Because we are dealing with large integers, it is not necessary to assume that they are relatively prime. What is relevant is the limit of their ratio.

Proof that $\sqrt{2}$ is rational

Let $\sqrt{2} = \lim_{r, n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r}{n}$, where r and n are very large integers.

Squaring both sides

$$\lim_{r, n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r^2}{n^2} = 2$$

Since

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} r^2 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2n^2$$

$$\infty = \infty$$

we can not know whether the large integers r and n are both even.

Adding 1 to r and getting the limits below

$$\lim_{r, n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{r+1}{n} \right) = \lim_{r, n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{r}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \lim_{r, n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{r}{n} + 0 \right) = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{r, n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(r+1)^2}{n^2} &= \lim_{r, n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(r^2 + 2r + 1)}{n^2} = \lim_{r, n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{r^2}{n^2} + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} \right) \\ &= \lim_{r, n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{r^2}{n^2} + 0 + 0 \right) = \lim_{r, n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{r^2}{n^2} \right) = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\sqrt{2}$ is a rational number.

$$\sqrt{2} = \frac{14142135623.....d}{10000000000.....0} = 1.4142135623.....d$$

where d is the last digit of $\sqrt{2}$.

Remarks: There are *no* irrational numbers. The numbers $e, \pi, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{5}, \dots$ are *all* rational numbers defined by (1).