

AQA Computer Science A-Level
4.5.1 Number systems
Past Paper Questions

Additional Specimen AS Paper 2

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\mathbb{R} denotes the set of real numbers. A real number can either be rational or irrational.

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Describe the set of rational numbers.

[2 marks]

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Explain why all integers are rational numbers.

[1 mark]

0 1 . 1 Four numbers are listed in the rows of **Table 1**.

For each row in **Table 1**, shade **one or more** lozenges, in the appropriate column(s), to indicate which set(s) of numbers the number on the row is a member of.

As an example, the first row has been completed for you, to indicate that $\sqrt{2}$ is a member of the set of irrational numbers **and** the set of real numbers, but is **not** a member of the sets of natural, integer or rational numbers.

[3 marks]

Table 1

	Natural	Integer	Rational	Irrational	Real
$\sqrt{2}$	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
-64	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5/128	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

0 1 . 2 Explain the purpose of ordinal numbers.

[1 mark]

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Table 1 shows four values.

Table 1

A	$\sqrt{2}$
B	$(-9)^2$
C	-4
D	0.5

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Shade in **one** lozenge to indicate which of the values represented by the letters **A–D** in **Table 1** is a natural number.

A B C D

[1 mark]

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Shade in **one** lozenge to indicate which of the values represented by the letters **A–D** in **Table 1** is an irrational number.

A B C D

[1 mark]

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Shade in **one** lozenge to indicate which of the values represented by the letters **A–D** in **Table 1** is an integer but **not** a natural number.

A B C D

[1 mark]

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Shade in **one** lozenge to indicate which of the symbols represents the set of rational numbers.

[1 mark]

Q ○ R ○ Z ○ N ○

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Shade in **one** lozenge to indicate which of the symbols represents the set of numbers that does **not** include **all** of the numbers -3, 4 and 9.

[1 mark]

Q ○ R ○ Z ○ N ○

0 1 . 3

Shade in **one** lozenge to indicate which of the symbols represents the set of numbers that is most suitable for measuring the circumference of a ball.

[1 mark]

Q ○ R ○ Z ○ N ○

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Give **one** example of a natural number.

[1 mark]

0 1 . 2

Give **one** example of an irrational number.

[1 mark]
