

Recall (a.k.a., hint) you may use either below (equivalent) formulation as the definition of rational number.

Def. 1. A real number x is rational provided

$$(\exists a \in \mathbb{Z})(\exists b \in \mathbb{Z}) \left[x = \frac{a}{b} \wedge b \neq 0 \right].$$

Def. 2. A real number x is rational provided

$$(\exists a \in \mathbb{Z})(\exists b \in \mathbb{N}) \left[x = \frac{a}{b} \right]$$

Def. 1 appeared on p11. Def. 2 is often easier to work with.

►. **Theorem 1.** If $p, q \in \mathbb{Q}$ with $p < q$, then there exists $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ with $p < x < q$.

1. Symbolically write Theorem 1. Hint. Your answer should be of the form

$$\left(\forall (p, q) \in \mathbb{Q}^2 \right) [p < q \implies (\exists x \in \mathbb{Q}) [? \text{what goes here?}]].$$

2. Prove Theorem 1. You may use the closure properties of \mathbb{Q} that we covered in Chapter 1.

Hint: let geometry lead your thinking land but make sure you justify in your proof by using algebra.

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