

Definition 4.2. [1XB] (Solved on 2022-11-03)

(N1) There is a number $0 \in \mathbb{N}$.

(N2) There is a function $S : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ (called "successor"), such that ^a

(N3) $S(x) \neq 0$ for each $x \in \mathbb{N}$ and

(N4) S is injective, that is, $x \neq y$ implies $S(x) \neq S(y)$.

(N5) If U is a subset of \mathbb{N} such that: $0 \in U$ and $\forall x, x \in U \Rightarrow S(x) \in U$, then $U = \mathbb{N}$.

We will often write S_n instead $S(n)$ to ease notations.

^aWe are using the same word *successor* used in the definition [1Z0] for well ordered sets, and in [24X] in Zermelo-Fraenkel theory: we will see how these definition are "compatible".