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On 3/24/07, The World Wide Wade <[aderamey.a...@xxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:aderamey.a...@xxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

In article <1174674313.873312.204...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>, "Gary Cooper" <[ghkrh...@xxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:ghkrh...@xxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

Hi !

I intend to introduce some interesting but a bit troublesome problem for you.

The problem is this;

"Does there exist an infinite  $\aleph_0$ -algebra which has only countably many members?"

Hint: If  $x$  is in the underlying set, there is a smallest member of the sigma algebra containing  $x$ .

Thanks. With the aid of your hint, I got resolved this problem. However, some brightening thought had occurred to me. That is to use the cardinality of  $R$  is not equal those of  $Q$ . More precisely, arrange all member of a countable infinite sigma algebra by indexing using  $Q$ . ( $A_{r1}, A_{r2}, \dots$  of course  $r_i$  in  $Q$ ) For arbitrary  $a$  in  $R$ , there exist a rational sequence converging to  $a$  and denote such sequence  $(a_n)$ . Consider the intersection of all  $A_{a_n}$  as from  $n=1$  to  $\infty$ . Denote it  $A$ . Surely,  $A$  is also the member of above sigma algebra. If only we can show that these  $A$ 's are distinct, then there are uncountable element

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of sigma algebra and it leads the contradiction.

Can you have any clever?

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