Proposition 1. ω is a limit ordinal.

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(1) $0 \in \Phi$.

(2) For all $n \in \Phi$ we have $\mathrm{succ}(n) \in \Phi$.

Proof. Let $n \in \Phi$. Then every element of n is contained in ω. Hence every element of $\mathrm{succ}(n)$ is contained in ω. Thus $\mathrm{succ}(n) \in \Phi$. □

Therefore $\omega \subset \Phi$. Consequently ω is transitive. □

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Proof. Assume the contrary. We have $\omega \neq 0$. Hence ω is a successor ordinal. Take an ordinal α such that $\mathrm{succ}(\alpha) = \omega$. Then $\alpha \in \omega$. Thus $\omega = \mathrm{succ}(\alpha) \in \omega$. Contradiction. □ ■