

Homework 5

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Problems

Let X be the set $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ and Y be the set $\{6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$. We describe the functions $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: X \rightarrow Y$ in the following tables. Answer each part and give a reason for each negative answer.

n	$f(n)$
1	6
2	7
3	6
4	7
5	6

n	$g(n)$
1	10
2	9
3	8
4	7
5	6

^Aa. Is f one-to-one?

b. Is f onto?

c. Is f a correspondence?

^Ad. Is g one-to-one?

e. Is g onto?

f. Is g a correspondence?

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A) Is f one-to-one?

No, f is not one-to-one because $f(2) = f(4)$.

A) Is f onto?

No, $\forall y \in Y \nexists x \in X : f(x) = y$. For example, nothing is mapped on to 8 in Y .

A) Is f a correspondence?

No, f is a correspondence iff. it is both one-to-one and onto.

A) Is g one-to-one?

Yes, $\forall x_1, x_2 \in X : g(x_1) = g(x_2) \implies x_1 = x_2$

A) Is g onto?

Yes, $\forall y \in Y \exists x \in X : f(x) = y$.

A) Is g a correspondence?

Yes, g is a correspondence iff. it is both one-to-one and onto.

0.2 Prove that the set of all infinite sequences over $\{0,1\}$ is uncountable.

Suppose that a correspondence f existed between \mathbb{N} and the set of all infinite sequences over $\{0,1\}$ referred to as A .

n	$f(n)$
1	000...
2	010...
3	100...
4	001...
\vdots	\vdots

Lets now go about constructing x , a sequence in A but not represented by the mapping described by f . Construct x such that $x \neq f(1)$ by choosing the first digit to be 1.

$x \neq f(2)$ by choosing the second digit to be 0.

$x \neq f(3)$ by choosing the third digit to be 1.

$x \neq f(4)$ by choosing the fourth digit to be the opposite of $f(4)$'s fourth digit and so on.

$x = 101...$

By continuing this process, x will be a sequence that is not represented by f . This is a contradiction therefore the set of all infinite sequences over $\{0,1\}$ is uncountable.

0.3 Use the result from the previous proof (item 2) to prove that the power set of any infinite countable set is uncountable.

Suppose that the power set of natural numbers, $2^{\mathbb{N}}$ is countable. Then $\exists f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{N}}$.

i	$f(i)$	$1 \in f(i)$	$2 \in f(i)$	$3 \in f(i)$	$4 \in f(i)$	\dots
1	\mathbb{N}	(yes)	yes	yes	yes	\dots
2	\emptyset	no	(no)	no	no	\dots
3	the set of even numbers	no	yes	(no)	yes	\dots
4	the set of odd numbers	yes	no	yes	(no)	\dots
5	$\{1\}$	yes	no	no	no	\dots
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\ddots

Lets now go about constructing x , a set in $2^{\mathbb{N}}$ but not represented by the mapping described by f . Construct x by changing each element on the diagonal.

	$1 \in f(i)$	$2 \in f(i)$	$3 \in f(i)$	$4 \in f(i)$	\dots
x	no	yes	yes	yes	\dots

By continuing this process, x will be a set that is not represented by f . This is a contradiction therefore the power set of \mathbb{N} is uncountable. Lastly, by the definition of countable there is a direct mapping from any infinitely countable set to \mathbb{N} . Therefore the power set of any infinite countable set is uncountable.

0.4 $B = \{\langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM and } M \text{ accepts the two's complement of binary number } N \text{ whenever it accepts } N\}$. Prove that language B is undecidable

We assume that B is decidable. Suppose that H is a decider for B . ON input $\langle M, N \rangle$, where M is a TM and N is a string, H halts and accepts if M accepts N . Furthermore, H halts and rejects if M fails to accept N .

$$H(\langle M, N \rangle) = \begin{cases} \text{accept} & \text{if } M \text{ accepts } N \\ \text{reject} & \text{if } M \text{ does not accept } N \end{cases}$$

Now we construct a new Turing machine D with H as a subroutine. This new TM calls H to determine what M does when the input to M is its own description $\langle M \rangle$. Once D has determined this information, it does the opposite.

D = "On input $\langle M \rangle$, where M is a TM:

1. Run H on input $\langle M, \langle M \rangle \rangle$.
2. Output the opposite of what H outputs. That is, if H accepts, *reject*; and if H rejects, *accept*."

So we have the following:

$$D(\langle M \rangle) = \begin{cases} \text{accept} & \text{if } M \text{ does not accept } \langle M \rangle \\ \text{reject} & \text{if } M \text{ accepts } \langle M \rangle \end{cases}$$

What happens when we run D with its own description $\langle D \rangle$ as input? In that case, we get

$$D(\langle D \rangle) = \begin{cases} \text{accept} & \text{if } D \text{ does not accept } \langle D \rangle \\ \text{reject} & \text{if } D \text{ accepts } \langle D \rangle \end{cases}$$

No matter what D does, it is forced to do the opposite, which is a contradiction. Therefore, TM D and TM H can not exist. Language B is therefore undecidable.