

# HW 1

● Graded

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## Total Points

47 / 60 pts

## Question 1

### Induction Proof

10 / 10 pts

✓ + 2 pts Correct Induction Hypothesis and Base Case

✓ + 7 pts Correct Induction Step

✓ + 1 pt Concluding the inequality

- 1 pt Not properly specifying on what variable induction is applied on

+ 0 pts Incorrect

what was the point of mentioning geometric series ?

## Question 2

### Bijection between sets

5 / 15 pts

#### 2.1 Even-Odd Subsets

2 / 5 pts

+ 0 pts Incorrect

+ 1 pt Valid Map from set A to B

+ 2 pts Showing it is one to one

+ 2 pts Showing it is Onto

✓ + 2 pts Point adjustment

1 not properly proven

2 since  $|A| = |B|$  ? -- This has to be proven , how could you use it ?

#### 2.2 Digit Sequence

1 / 5 pts

✓ + 1 pt Correct bijective function from set A to B

+ 2 pts Showing it is one to one

+ 2 pts Showing it is onto

+ 0 pts Incorrect

5  $f(f(x))$  is not well defined as domain of f is A.

#### 2.3 Infinite String

2 / 5 pts

+ 5 pts Correct

+ 0 pts Incorrect

✓ + 2 pts Point adjustment

6 aren't you proving opposite thing ?

7 not properly proven

## Question 3

### Integer or Irrational

10 / 10 pts

✓ + 10 pts Correct

+ 0 pts Incorrect

#### Question 4

#### Bijections On Infinite Sets

12 / 15 pts

##### 4.1 Countable Set

3.5 / 5 pts

✓ + 1 pt Attempted to prove the statement

+ 0 pts Attempted to disprove the statement / Unattempted / Bogus argument

✓ + 4 pts Correct argument

✓ - 1.5 pts Minor flaws / gaps in argument

- 3 pts Major flaws / gaps in argument

💬 You've assumed that  $A$  is countable and not considered the uncountable case, although a similar argument can be used.

3  $A$  need not be countable

##### 4.2 Uncountable Set

4.5 / 5 pts

+ 0 pts Attempted to prove the statement / Unattempted

✓ + 1 pt Attempted to disprove the statement

✓ + 2 pts Gave a correct choice for  $A, B$  (eg. any countable  $A$ ) for which the statement is false

✓ + 2 pts Correct proof for the choice using either a diagonalization argument or a known standard separation

- 1.5 pts Minor gaps in argument

- 3 pts Major gaps in argument

💬 - 0.5 pts Point adjustment

4 should say that  $A \cup B$  is uncountable, because  $A \cup B = \mathbb{R}$

##### 4.3 Quadratic Reals

4 / 5 pts

✓ + 1 pt Attempted to prove the statement

+ 0 pts Attempted to disprove the statement / Unattempted

✓ + 4 pts Correct argument

✓ - 1 pt Used a non-trivial fact without proving (which was not shown in class)

- 1 pt Essentially correct, but minor flaws in argument

- 3 pts Major gaps in argument

8 for how many sets are you taking the union (finite/countable/uncountable)?

9 this was not shown in class, so you should at least briefly argue why this is true

**Question 5**

## Predicate Logic

10 / 10 pts

5.1 **Multiple of n**

3 / 3 pts

- ✓ + 0.5 pts Correct predicate of the original statement
- ✓ + 0.5 pts Correct predicate of negation of the statement
- + 0 pts Attempted to prove the statement / Unattempted
- ✓ + 0.5 pts Attempted to disprove the statement
- ✓ + 1 pt Gave a correct choice of  $m, n$  for which the statement is false
- ✓ + 0.5 pts Correctly showed the statement is false for the choice of  $m, n$

5.2 **Lower Bound and Least Element**

3 / 3 pts

- ✓ + 0.5 pts Correct predicate of the original statement
- ✓ + 0.5 pts Correct predicate of negation of the statement
- 0.5 pts Used helper predicates without defining them logically
- + 0 pts Attempted to prove the statement / Unattempted
- ✓ + 0.5 pts Attempted to disprove the statement
- ✓ + 1 pt Gave a correct choice of  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  for which the statement is false
- ✓ + 0.5 pts Correctly showed the statement is false for the choice of  $S$

5.3 **Bounded Factors of Composite Numbers**

4 / 4 pts

- ✓ + 1 pt Correct predicate of the original statement
- ✓ + 1 pt Correct predicate of the negation of the statement
- 1 pt Used helper predicates (other than the given one) without defining them logically
- ✓ + 0.5 pts Attempted to prove the statement
- + 0 pts Attempted to disprove the statement / Unattempted
- ✓ + 1 pt Gave a choice of a non-trivial factor  $f$  of  $n$
- ✓ + 0.5 pts Correctly showed that  $f \leq \sqrt{n}$

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Q1 Show by induction:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2} \leq 2$$

Intuition:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{i-1}} = \frac{1}{2^0} + \frac{1}{2^1} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^k} + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} + \dots + \infty$$

$$\text{Sum of inf GP} = \frac{a}{1-g}$$

[a = first term  
g = factor of inc/dec]

$$= \frac{1}{1-1/2} = 2$$

Hence

~~$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{i-1}} = 2$$~~

so for some constant  $k \leq \infty$

$$\sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{2^{i-1}} \leq 2$$

Ours series :  $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2} \leq \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{2^{i-1}} \leq 2$

Proof by induction:

we want to prove that  $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2} \leq 2$

we know that  $2 - \frac{1}{n} \leq 2$

So if we prove  $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2} \leq 2 - \frac{1}{n}$  then,

by transitivity  $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2} \leq 2$

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Base Case ε

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$k=1$

$$S_1 = \sum_{i=1}^1 \frac{1}{i^2} \leq 2 - \frac{1}{1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1^2} \leq 2 - 1$$

$$= 1 \leq 1 \quad (\text{True})$$

$$(k=2) S_2 = \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{1}{i^2} \leq 2 - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} \leq 2 - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{4} \leq \frac{3}{2}$$

$$= \frac{5}{4} \leq \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow 2.5 \leq 3 \quad (\text{True})$$

Assume its true for some  $n=k$

$$\text{so, } S_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{i^2} < 2 - \frac{1}{k} \text{ is true}$$

$$\text{Adding } \frac{1}{(k+1)^2} \text{ both sides}$$
$$S_{k+1} = S_k + \frac{1}{(k+1)^2} \leq \left(2 - \frac{1}{k}\right) + \frac{1}{(k+1)^2}$$

We know that  $S_{k+1}$  would be

$$S_{k+1} = \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \frac{1}{i^2} \leq \left(2 - \frac{1}{k+1}\right)$$

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So, if we prove that

$$\left(2 - \frac{1}{k}\right) + \frac{1}{(k+1)^2} \leq 2 - \frac{1}{k+1}$$

it will prove  $S_{k+1} \leq 2 - \frac{1}{k+1}$

$$2 - \frac{1}{k} + \frac{1}{(k+1)^2} \leq 2 - \frac{1}{k+1}$$

$$\frac{1}{(k+1)^2} \leq \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+1}$$

$$\frac{1}{(k+1)^2} \leq \frac{1}{k(k+1)}$$

We know that  $k(k+1) \leq (k+1)^2$

$$\text{so, } S_{k+1} \leq 2 - \frac{1}{k+1}$$

$$\text{therefore } S_k \leq 2 - \frac{1}{k} \leq 2$$

$$S_k \leq 2 \quad \forall k > 1$$

Hence proved

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Q2 Show bijection:

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(a)  $X$  is a finite set

$A = \{S \subseteq X : |S| \text{ is even}\}$  and  $B = \{S \subseteq X : |S| \text{ is odd}\}$

Given:  $A = \{S \subseteq X : |S| \text{ is even}\}$   
 $B = \{S \subseteq X : |S| \text{ is odd}\}$

Assuming prof meant  
~~A ⊂ B~~  $S \subseteq X$  Question  
is Done ahead

Since it's mentioned  $S \subseteq X$  in both cases the Question in itself does not make much sense because - :

① If  $|X|$  is even, let  $|X| = n$

Set A will have  $2^{n-1}$  elements

Set B will have  $2^{n-1}$  elements

② If  $|X|$  is odd, let  $|X| = n$

Set A will have  $2^{n-1}$  elements

Set B will have  $2^{n-1}-1$  elements

here  $|A| > |B|$  OR  $|A| < |B|$

So by observation,

By definition of bijection, a function needs to be both one-one & onto, so when  $|A| \neq |B|$ ,

if  $|A| > |B| \rightarrow$  Not Injective (onto)

if  $|A| < |B| \rightarrow$  Not Surjective (one-one)

Hence bijection not possible

→ Assuming that original Question was

$A = \{S \subseteq X : |S| \text{ is even}\}$

$B = \{S \subseteq X : |S| \text{ is odd}\}$

We know that A contains all even size Subsets, B containing all odd size subsets,

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Let total no. of elements in  $X$  be  $n$

So Powerset of  $X$  will have  $2^n$  elements.

So,  $A$  will have  $2^{n-1}$  elements

$B$  will have  $2^{n-1}$  elements

now we take some element  $i$  from set  $X$   
Such that we can do bijection based on  
presence of  $i$

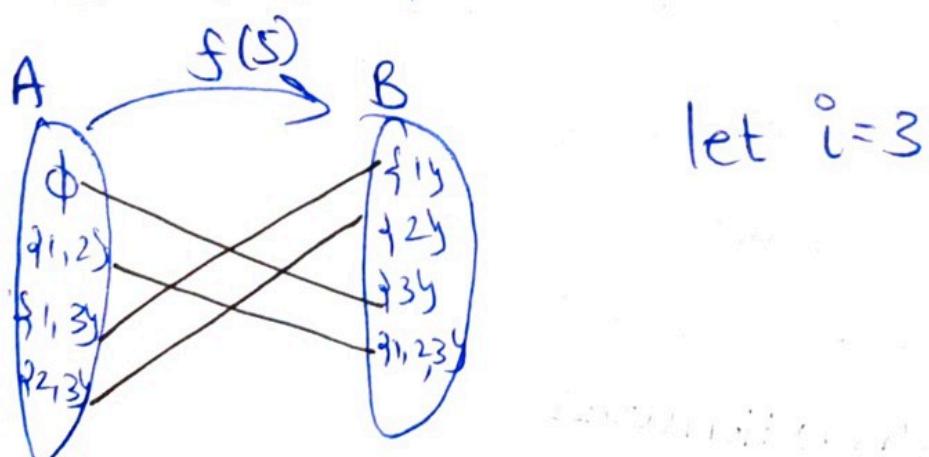
Let the function be  $f(u)$  be the ~~bijection~~ mapping  
function between  $A$  and  $B$

$$f(S) = S \Delta \{i\}$$

i.e., if  $i \in S$ ,  $f(S)$  maps to some set  $S - \{i\}$

if  $i \notin S$ ,  $f(S)$  maps to some set  $S + \{i\}$

Example  $S = \{1, 2, 3\}$



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## Verification | correctness

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$$f: A \rightarrow B \quad f(S) = S \Delta \{i\}$$

when  $|S|$  is even,  $|f(S)| = |S| \pm 1$  [Remove or add 'i']  
 which is odd  
 Similarly if  $|S|$  is odd,  $|f(S)| = |S| \pm 1$   
 which is even

therefore  $f(S) \in B$  when  $|S|$  is even  
 and ~~if~~ preimage of  $f(S)$  belongs to  $A$  when  $|S|$  is odd

proof of ~~onto~~, one-one

$$\text{if } f(S_1) = f(S_2)$$

(Assuming two elements in  $B$  have same preimage)

then when we ~~toggle~~<sup>remove/add</sup> i  
 it should form  $S_1 = S_2$

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Thus  $f$  must be one-one

for onto,

for every element with even cardinality,

$$\forall k \subseteq A, k \Delta \{i\} \xrightarrow{\text{then}} |f(k)| \text{ will be odd.}$$

$\Downarrow$   
 $|k| \pm 1$ , since  $k$  was even  
 $|k| \pm 1$  will be odd.

Since  $|A| = |B|$ , ②

It's one-one, onto  
 hence it will be bijective

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4 (a)

A is infinite

B is countable

$$A = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}$$

$$B = \{b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots\}$$

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There will be bijection  $A \rightarrow A \cup B$ Let set  $A \cup B$  beLet  $C = B - A$ , it will contain all unique elements of  $B$  which are not in  $A$ 

$$\text{so, } A \cap C = \emptyset$$

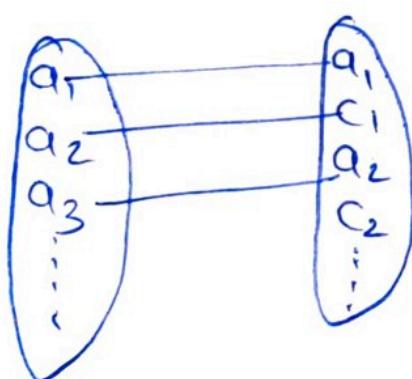
$$A \cup C = A \cup B$$

$$x_i^o = \begin{cases} \cancel{x_i} & \text{if } x_i \in A \end{cases} \} (A \cup C)$$

$$x_i^e = x_{2i+1} \text{ if } x_i \in C$$

~~f(x) = x.~~

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \cancel{x_i/2} & i = \text{odd} \\ c_{i/2} & i = \text{even} \end{cases}$$



This mapping is injective as no two inputs map to same output

~~Also~~  $f : (A \cup B) \rightarrow A$ 

$$A = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}$$

$$B = \{b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots\}$$

$$f(b_j) = a_{2j+1} \quad f(a_i) = a_{2i}$$

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Since  $\exists$  there is a mapping (injective)  
from  $A \rightarrow A \cup B$

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and  
from  $A \cup B \rightarrow A$  also injective we can say  
that it will be bijective

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Assignment - 1

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Q5(a) If  $m^2$  is multiple of  $n$ , then  $m$  is also multiple of  $n$ . Here,  $m$  and  $n$  are two integers. You can use  $N$  to denote set of positive integers and predicate  $P(m, n)$  denote  $x$  divides  $y$

Given:  $m, n \in N$ ,  $P(m, n) \equiv \begin{cases} n|m & (n \text{ divides } m) \\ m \text{ is multiple of } n & \text{or} \end{cases}$

Statement:  $\forall m \forall n (\exists P(m^2, n) \rightarrow P(m, n))$

(i) Its negation will be:  $\exists m \exists n \neg P(m^2, n) \wedge \neg P(m, n)$

$\neg [\forall m \forall n (\neg P(m^2, n) \rightarrow P(m, n))]$

$\exists m \exists n \neg [\neg P(m^2, n) \rightarrow \neg P(m, n)]$

$\exists m \exists n \neg [\neg \neg P(m^2, n) \vee \neg P(m, n)]$

$\exists m \exists n \neg (\neg (\neg P(m^2, n))) \wedge \neg \neg P(m, n)$

$\boxed{\exists m \exists n P(m^2, n) \wedge \neg P(m, n)}$

(ii)  $\forall m \forall n (P(m^2, n) \rightarrow P(m, n))$  is false

Idea to disprove: Every natural no.  $> 1$  can be broken

into products of its prime factors

$$\text{So } m = p_1^{a_1} \times p_2^{a_2} \times \cdots \times p_n^{a_n}$$

$$\text{Similarly } m^2 = p_1^{2a_1} \times p_2^{2a_2} \times \cdots \times p_n^{2a_n}$$

$$\text{and } n = p_1^{b_1} \times p_2^{b_2} \times \cdots \times p_n^{b_n}$$

now,  $n|m^2$  means some  $2a_i \geq b_i$   
 and if  $2a_i \geq b_i$  then  
 $a_i$  may or may not be  $\geq b_i$   
 (Counter Example next page)

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## Fermat's Last Theorem

### Counter Example

$$n = 9$$

$$m^2 = 9$$

$n|m^2 \rightarrow$  Yes 9 divides 9

$n|m \rightarrow$  No, 9 does not divide 3 yielding result  $\in \mathbb{N}$

So Counter Example  $\Rightarrow m=3, m^2=9, n=9$

Since one counter example exists the statement

$\forall m \forall n (P(m^2, n) \rightarrow P(m, n))$  is false as it's not true for all values of  $(m, n)$

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4(b) (1)

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B is uncountable set

A is infinite

A to A ∪ B bijection does not exist

Proof by Counterexample

Let A = set of Natural No.

Let B is set of Real No's

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A is countably finite, B is uncountable

~~but~~ but there is no bijection from

$N \rightarrow R$  therefore this statement is

false

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Q2(b)

A be length n seq. of digits  $[0, 1, \dots, 9]$  whose sum is less than  $\frac{9n}{2}$

B be length of n seq. of digits  $[0, 1, \dots, 9]$  whose sum is more than  $\frac{9n}{2}$  whose sum is  $\frac{9n}{2}$

proven is Here n is positive integer

$A = a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots a_n$  where  $a_i \in \{0, 1, \dots, 9\}$

$B = b_1 b_2 b_3 \dots b_n$  where  $b_i \in \{0, 1, 2 \dots, 9\}$

$A = \text{Set of length } n \text{ seq. whose sum } < \frac{9n}{2}$

$B = \text{Set of length of } n \text{ seq. whose sum } > \frac{9n}{2}$

Let  $f(a)$  be mapping function of A to B

such that

$\forall k \in A, f(k) = 9's \text{ complement of } k$

Since sum of digits of  $k < \frac{9n}{2}$

9's complement of  $k = (\underbrace{999 \dots 9}_{n \text{ times}}) - k$

$$> \frac{9n}{2}$$

So,  $f(k) = \text{Mapping from A to B where we are doing 9's complement of each.}$

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proof of correctness | verification

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$$\text{sum } (\underline{\underline{x}}) = S$$

$$S < \frac{9n}{2}$$

$$\text{sum } (f(n)) = (\underbrace{999\dots9}_{n \text{ times}} - n)$$

OR

$$9n - S \text{ which will be } > \frac{9n}{2}$$

$$\text{so } f(n) \in B$$

Applying  $f(n)$  ~~twice~~ we get  $n$

$$f(f(n)) = n$$

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therefore its both injective & surjective

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Q5(b) Every subset of Real numbers which has a lower bound has a least element.  
 A subset  $S$  has lower bound if there is a number which is smaller than all the numbers in  $S$

$S$  be a subset of  $R$   $[S \subseteq R]$

Let  $a$  is lower bound of  $S$ .

$P(a, S)$ :  $a$  is lower bound of  $S$

$Q(a, S)$ :  $a$  is least element of  $S$

statement:  $\forall S, S \subseteq R [\exists a P(a, S) \rightarrow \exists b Q(b, S)]$

$\Rightarrow \forall S, S \subseteq R [\exists a \text{ such that } (a \leq x) \rightarrow \exists b \in S \text{ such that } (b \leq x)]$

$\Rightarrow \forall S, S \subseteq R [\exists a \text{ such that } (a \leq x) \wedge (\forall b \exists n (b > x))]$

(i) Negation:  $\exists S [(\exists a \text{ such that } (a \leq x)) \wedge (\forall b \exists n (b > x))]$

$\Rightarrow \exists S [(\exists a \text{ such that } (a \leq x)) \rightarrow (\exists b \text{ such that } (b > x))]$

$\Rightarrow \exists S \neg [(\exists a \text{ such that } (a \leq x)) \rightarrow (\exists b \text{ such that } (b > x))]$

$\Rightarrow \exists S \neg \neg [(\exists a \text{ such that } (a \leq x)) \rightarrow (\exists b \text{ such that } (b > x))]$

$\Rightarrow \boxed{\exists S [(\exists a \text{ such that } (a \leq x)) \wedge (\forall b \exists n (b > x))]}$

(ii) Disprove: L.H.S.

Let  $S$  be in Range  $(\alpha, \beta)$

$\forall a, a \in R \exists b, b = (a - 1)$  such that  $b$  is lower bound of  $S$

So,  $\exists a P(a, S)$  is always true

RHS

$\exists b Q(b, S)$ ,

$\exists b \text{ such that } b \leq x$

Since  $S$  is in  $(\alpha, \beta)$   $\alpha < b < \beta$ ,  $\frac{\alpha+b}{2} < b$ ,  $\frac{\alpha+b}{2} \in R$

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Hence  $\frac{x+b}{2}$  is always  $< b$  and  $\Rightarrow$  greater

than  $x$ 

So,  $\exists_b Q(b, s)$  is false

and

$\forall_s (\exists_a P(a, s) \rightarrow \exists_b Q(b, s))$  becomes false

$$(T \rightarrow F \Rightarrow F)$$

Proof by Counter Example :

Let  $s \in (0, 1)$

$$\exists_a P(a, s) \Leftrightarrow \exists_{(0-1)} P(-1, s)$$

└ True

$$\Rightarrow -1 \leq x, \text{ then } x \in S \quad -1 \leq x, x \in S$$

$$\exists_b Q(b, s) \Leftrightarrow \exists_{\frac{x+b}{2}} \frac{x+b}{2} \in R \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{x+b}{2} < b$$

$$\text{Let } x=0, b=1$$

$$b = \frac{0+1}{2} = 0.5, b \in R$$

$$b = \frac{0.5+0}{2} = 0.25, b \in R$$

$$b = \frac{0.25+0}{2} = 0.125, b \in R$$

So on,  $\forall_b \exists_c . c = \frac{x+b}{2}, c < c < b$

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A - Contains inf length string over  $\{1, 2, 3\}$

B - Contains inf length string over  $\{4, 5\}$

Let the function be, encoding of strings

Let, 1 denote to prefix 45  
 2 denote to prefix 54  
 3 denote to prefix 44 or 55

} (will fail)  
 333... 55

Let 1 denote 45  
 2 denote 44  
 3 denote 5

now our  $f(n)$  can read first symbol and replace prefix with  $\{1, 2, 3\}$

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} \text{Read next} & 4, \text{ Read next} \\ & 4, \rightarrow 44 \text{ replace by 2} \\ & 5, \rightarrow 45 \text{ replace by 1} \\ & 5, \text{ replace by 3} \end{cases}$$

So for every encoding over  $\{1, 2, 3\}$  will have exactly one mapping over set B of encodings over  $\{4, 5\}$

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so  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is injective

Now, for  $f: B \rightarrow A$

Lct 4 denote  $\rightarrow 1$   
 54 denote  $\rightarrow 2$   
 55 denote  $\rightarrow 3$

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So, we can map all encodings over  $\{4, 5\}$  to set A of encodings over  $\{1, 2, 3\}$

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$$f(n) \begin{cases} 1, & \text{replace by } 4 \\ 2, & \text{replace by } 54 \\ 3, & \text{replace by } 55 \end{cases}$$

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this way, every encoding over  $\{4, 5\}$  will have exactly one mapping over A of encoding over  $\{1, 2, 3\}$

So,  $f: B \rightarrow A$  is also injective

Since  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is injective &  $f: B \rightarrow A$  is also injective, we can say that  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is bijective function.

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Q4(c)

A real number is called Quadratic when it is a root of a degree two polynomial with integer coefficients, the number of Quadratic reals is countable

Let the Quadratic equation be  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

$a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $a \neq 0$

To prove: No. of Quadratic reals are countable

~~Note~~ with 3 variables each equations solutions can be mapped from  $(a, b, c)$  to  $(s_1, s_2)$

where  $s_1, s_2$  are possible solutions.

for any equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ ,  
we can have -:

- 2 solutions
- 1 solution (both same)
- No solution

so  $(a, b, c) \in \mathbb{Z}^3$

$\mathbb{Z}^3$  is also countable

and each  $(a, b, c)$  pair can have finitely many sol's.

( $\leq 2$ ) Countably finite

So Union of ~~countable~~ sets is also countable

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∴ hence No. of Real Quadratics are countable

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Q3

01)

Prove  $\log_7 n$  is either integer or an irrational number when  $n$  is Positive integer

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Proof by Contradiction

Let's Assume

$\log_7 n$  is Rational but not integer

$$\log_7 n = \frac{a}{b}, \quad \frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Q}, \frac{a}{b} \notin \mathbb{Z}^+$$

taking 7 as base both side, doing exponent

$$7^{\log_7 n} = 7^{a/b}$$

$$\text{by prop of log } a^{\log_b n} = b^{\log_a n} \quad \cancel{a^{\log_b n}} \quad \cancel{n^{\log_a b}}$$

$$n^{\log_7 7} = 7^{a/b}$$

$$n = 7^{a/b}$$

$$n^b = 7^a$$

Since RHS is 7 and LHS can be broken into prime factors multiple

$$n = p_1^{a_1} p_2^{a_2} \cdots p_n^{a_n}$$

but LHS has only 7 so,  $n$  can be written as  $7^k$  for some  $k > 0$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

$$n^b = (7^k)^b$$

$$\Rightarrow (7^k)^b = 7^{(a)}$$

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Removing power both side

(12)

$$kb = a$$

from  ~~$\frac{a}{b}$~~   $\log_7 n = \frac{a}{b}$ , substitute  $a = kb$

$$\log_7 n = \frac{kb}{b}$$

$\log_7 n = k$  — contradiction found,

~~So  $k$  is some integer for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  in~~  
therefore  $k$  must be some integer when  $\log_7 n$  is some power of 7 otherwise must be irrational.

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Question 5(c) (21)  
 If a positive no.  $n$  is composite then, it has a factor  
 (other than 1) which is at most  $\sqrt{n}$ . Here you can use  $N$   
 $\mathbb{N}$  denote the set of positive numbers and the predicate  
 $p(a, n)$  indicating  $n$  divides  $a$ .

$$\text{Statement: } \forall n, \exists a \in \mathbb{N} [(\exists a \exists b, a > 1 \wedge b > 1 \wedge a|a=b) \Rightarrow \\ (\exists a \in \mathbb{N}, a > 1 \wedge p(a, n) \wedge a \leq \sqrt{n})]$$

$p(a, n)$ :  $a$  divides  $n$

$$\text{Negation: } \exists n [\neg (\exists a \exists b, a, b \in \mathbb{N} (a > 1 \wedge b > 1 \wedge a|a=b)) \wedge \\ \wedge \neg (\exists a \in \mathbb{N}, a > 1 \wedge p(a, n) \wedge a \leq \sqrt{n})]$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists n [\exists a \exists b, a, b \in \mathbb{N} (a > 1 \wedge b > 1 \wedge a|a=b) \wedge \\ \wedge_a (a < 1 \vee \neg p(a, n) \vee a > \sqrt{n})]$$

Proof by Contradiction

Assume  $\exists a \exists b, a, b \in \mathbb{N}, a > \sqrt{n}, b > \sqrt{n}, \frac{n}{a} = b$

So  $a > \sqrt{n}, b > \sqrt{n}$

$$\cancel{\therefore} \cdot \frac{n}{a} = b \Leftrightarrow a \cdot b = n \\ a > \sqrt{n}, b > \sqrt{n}$$

$$\therefore a \cdot b > \sqrt{n} \cdot \sqrt{n}$$

$a, b > n$   
 which is contradiction of  $a \cdot b = n$  or  
 $\frac{n}{a} = b$

