# Ve203 Discrete Mathematics (Spring 2023)

# Assignment 3

Date Due: See canvas

This assignment has a total of (32 points). Exercises with 0 pt might be

- something that is very basic, but you should know anyway, or
- something that is too technical for this course, or
- ill-posed (i.e., wrong).

Meanwhile, this is not to say that other problems necessarily lack the above features.

**Note:** Unless specified otherwise, you must show the details of your work via logical reasoning for each exercise. Simply writing a final result (whether correct or not) will receive **0 point**. **Explain** (briefly) if you claim something is trivial or straightforward. Provide a counterexample if you are trying to disprove something. It is **NOT OK** to write something like "how do we know that blahblahblah is even true..."

### Exercise 3.1 (8 pts)

(i) (2pts) Prove that the function  $f:\{0,1\}^{\mathbb{N}}\times\{0,1\}^{\mathbb{N}}\to\{0,1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$  defined by

$$f(a_0a_1\cdots a_n\cdots,b_0b_1\cdots b_n\cdots)=a_0b_0a_1b_1\cdots a_nb_n\cdots$$

is a bijection, where  $a_i, b_i \in \{0, 1\}$ , and  $\{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$  is the set of countably infinite sequences of 0 and 1.

(ii) (2pts) Represent the reals in (0,1) by their decimal expansions **WITHOUT** the infinite suffix 99999  $\cdots$ . Define the function  $h:(0,1)\times(0,1)\to(0,1)$  by

$$h(0.r_0r_1\cdots r_n\cdots,0.s_0s_1\cdots s_n\cdots)=0.r_0s_0r_1s_1\cdots r_ns_n\cdots$$

with  $r_i, s_i \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 9\}$ . Prove that h is injective but not surjective.

- (iii) (2pts) If we pick in (ii) the decimal representations ending **WITH** the infinite suffix  $99999 \cdots$  rather that an infinite string of 0's, prove that h is also injective but still not surjective.
- (iv) (2pts) Show that there exists a bijection between  $(0,1) \times (0,1)$  and (0,1).

**Exercise 3.2 (8 pts)** Let R and S be two relations on a set X.

- (i) (2pts) Show that if R and S are both reflexive, then  $R \circ S$  is reflexive.
- (ii) (2pts) Show that if R and S are both symmetric and if  $R \circ S = S \circ R$ , then  $R \circ S$  is symmetric.
- (iii) (2pts) Show that R is transitive iff  $R \circ R \subset R$ . Show that if R and S are both transitive and if  $R \circ S = S \circ R$ , then  $R \circ S$  is transitive. Can the hypothesis  $R \circ S = S \circ R$  be omitted?
- (iv) (2pts) Show that if R and S are both equivalence relations and if  $R \circ S = S \circ R$ , then  $R \circ S$  is the smallest equivalence relation containing R and S.

**Exercise 3.3 (8 pts)** Let X, Y, Z be any three nonempty sets and let  $g: Y \to Z$  be any function. Define the function  $L_q: Y^X \to Z^X$  ( $L_g$ , as a reminder that we compose with g on the left), by  $L_g(f) = g \circ f$  for every function  $f: X \to Y$ .

- (i) (2pts) Show that if Y = Z and  $g = id_Y$ , then  $L_{id_Y}(f) = f$  for all  $f: X \to Y$ .
- (ii) (2pts) Let T be another nonempty set and let  $h: Z \to T$  be any function. Show that  $L_{h \circ q} = L_h \circ L_q$ .
- (iii) (2pts) Show that if  $g: Y \to Z$  is injective, then  $L_q: Y^X \to Z^X$  is also injective.
- (iv) (2pts) Show that if  $g: Y \to Z$  is surjective, then  $L_g: Y^X \to Z^X$  is also surjective.

Exercise 3.4 (6 pts) Let X be a finite set.

- (i) (2pts) Show that every injection  $f: X \to X$  is a bijection.
- (ii) (2pts) Show that every surjection  $f: X \to X$  is a bijection.
- (iii) (2pts) Given counterexamples to (i) and (ii) when X is infinite.

**Exercise 3.5 (2 pts)** Given sets A, B such that  $A \subset B$  and  $|B| < \infty$ , use pigeonhole principle to show that A = B.

### The following exercises are not to be graded

#### Exercise 3.6\*

- (i) Let  $\pi: \mathbb{N}^2 \to \mathbb{N}$  be Cantor's pairing function. Find  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\pi(m, n) = 2023$ .
- (ii) Give an explicit formula for a bijection between  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ .

**Exercise 3.7\*** Briefly explain why the collection  $\{x \mid \operatorname{card} x = 1\}$  is not a set.

Exercise 3.8\* Find an explicit bijection between (0, 1] and [0, 1]. Sketch the graph of the function.<sup>1</sup>

Exercise 3.9\* Explain why the diagonal argument does not work for rational numbers.

**Exercise 3.10\*** Consider a periodic function  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{C}$  with period T > 0. Note that for any  $k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ , kT is also a period of f. Assume f has a smallest period, consider the Fourier series of f given by

$$f(x) \sim \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} c_n e^{2\pi i n x/T} \tag{1}$$

where

$$c_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(x)e^{-2\pi i nx/T} dx$$

Show that Eq. (1) is independent of the choice of the period T of f.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Good luck if you are after a continuous function, i.e., continuous in the usual sense.