

# 1-11 Set Theory (IV): Infinity

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# Finite Sets



“关于有穷，我原以为我是懂的”

### Definition (Finite)

$X$  is finite if

$$\exists n \in \mathbb{N} : |X| = n$$

### Theorem (Pigeonhole Principle (UD Theorem 22.2))

$$f : \{1, \dots, m\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, n\} \quad (m, n \in \mathbb{N}^+, m > n)$$

$f$  is not one-to-one.

### $A \setminus \{a\}$ (UD Problem 22.17)

Let  $A$  be a nonempty finite set with  $|A| = n$  and let  $a \in A$ .  
Prove that  $A \setminus \{a\}$  is finite and  $|A \setminus \{a\}| = n - 1$ .

$$f : A \xrightarrow[\text{onto}]{1-1} \{1, \dots, n\}$$

$$f|_{A \setminus \{a\}} : A \setminus \{a\} \xrightarrow[\text{onto}]{1-1} \{1, \dots, n\} \setminus \{f(a)\} \xrightarrow[\text{onto}]{1-1} \{1, \dots, n-1\}$$

(UD Problem 22.18)

- (a)  $A$  is a finite set and  $B \subseteq A$ . We showed that  $B$  is finite (Corollary 21.10). Show that  $|B| \leq |A|$ .

one-to-one  $f : B \rightarrow A$

- (b)  $A$  is a finite set and  $B \subseteq A$ . Show that if  $B \neq A$ , then  $|B| < |A|$ .

$$\exists a : a \in A \wedge a \notin B \quad f : B \rightarrow A \setminus \{a\} \quad |B| \leq |A \setminus \{a\}|$$

- (c) If two finite sets  $A$  and  $B$  satisfy  $B \subseteq A$  and  $|A| \leq |B|$ , then  $A = B$ .

By contradiction and (b).

$f : A \rightarrow A$  (UD Problem 22.21)

Let  $A$  be a finite set.

$$f : A \rightarrow A$$

Prove that

$$f \text{ is one-to-one} \iff f \text{ is onto.}$$

$\implies$

By Contradiction.

$$f : A \rightarrow A \setminus \{a\}$$

By Pigeonhole Principle.

$\impliedby$

By Contradiction.

$$\sum_{y \in A} f^{-1}(\{y\}) > |A|$$

## Set Union (UD Problem 23.1)

Give an example, if possible, of

- (a) A countably infinite collection of **pairwise disjoint finite sets** whose union is countably infinite.

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : A_n = \{n\} \quad \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n = \mathbb{N}$$

- (b) A countably infinite collection of nonempty sets whose union is finite.

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : A_n = \{1\} \quad \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n = \{1\}$$

- (c) A countably infinite collection of **pairwise disjoint nonempty sets** whose union is finite.

$$|A| = n \implies |\mathcal{P}(A)| = 2^n$$

### UD Problem 23.3 (d)

Is it countable or uncountable?

$$A = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} : x + y = 1\}$$

$$f : \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow[\text{onto}]{1-1} A$$

$$f(x) = (x, 1 - x)$$



## Infinite Sequences of 0's and 1's (UD Problem 23.4)

Is the set of all infinite sequences of 0's and 1's finite, countably infinite, or uncountable?

$$\begin{array}{l} s_1 = 0000000000\dots \\ s_2 = 1111111111\dots \\ s_3 = 0101010101\dots \\ s_4 = 1010101010\dots \\ s_5 = 1101010101\dots \\ s_6 = 0011010110\dots \\ s_7 = 10001000100\dots \\ s_8 = 0011001001\dots \\ s_9 = 11001100110\dots \\ s_{10} = 11011100101\dots \\ s_{11} = 11010100100\dots \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \end{array}$$

$$s = 10111010011\dots$$

By Diagonal Argument.

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$$f : \{\{0, 1\}^*\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

$$f(x_0x_1\cdots) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x_i 2^i$$



## Complex Numbers (UD Problem 24.16)

Prove that

$$|\mathbb{R}| = |\mathbb{C}|, \quad \mathbb{C} = \{a + bi : a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$|\mathbb{C}| = |\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}| = |\mathbb{R}|$$

$$\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \approx \mathbb{R}$$

$$(x = 0.a_1a_2a_3\cdots, y = 0.b_1b_2b_3\cdots) \mapsto 0.a_1b_1a_2b_2a_3b_3\cdots$$



Was Cantor Surprised?

## UD Problem 24.15

$$(0, 1) \approx (0, 1) \times (0, 1)$$

Theorem (Cantor-Schröder-Bernstein (1887))

$$|X| \leq |Y| \wedge |Y| \leq |X| \implies |X| = |Y|$$

$$\exists \text{ one-to-one } f : X \rightarrow Y \wedge g : Y \rightarrow X \implies \exists \text{ bijection } h : X \rightarrow Y$$

$$f : (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, 1) \times (0, 1)$$

$$f(x) = (x, 0.5)$$

$$g : (0, 1) \times (0, 1) \times (0, 1)$$

$$(x = 0.a_1a_2a_3\cdots, y = 0.b_1b_2b_3\cdots) \mapsto 0.a_1b_1a_2b_2a_3b_3\cdots$$

## Bijections (UD Problem 21.21)

$$[0, 1] \approx (0, 1)$$

$$0, 1, \quad \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \quad \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{5} \cdots$$

$$f(0) = \frac{1}{2} \quad f(1) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\forall n \geq 4 : f\left(\frac{1}{n-2}\right) = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$f(x) = x, \text{ otherwise}$$

$$(-\infty, \infty) \approx (0, \infty)$$

$$f(x) = e^x$$

$$(0, \infty) \approx (0, 1)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1}$$

$$[0, 1] \approx (0, 1]$$

$$f(0) = \frac{1}{2} \quad f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{2}{3} \quad f\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{3}{4} \quad \cdots \quad f(x) = x$$

Thank  
You!