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The well-ordering principle

Every non-empty subset of \mathbb{N} has a least element.

Theorem. $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ : n > 1$ and n is not prime \rightarrow
 n can be factored as a product of primes.

Proof. (By contradiction.) Let \mathcal{C} be the non-empty set of counterexamples.

Then, by the WOP, \mathcal{C} has a least element. Let's call it m .

m is not prime and $m > 1$ and m cannot be factored as a product of primes.

Since m is not prime, $m = a \cdot b$ where $1 < a, b < m$.

a, b are not in \mathcal{C} : (because m is the smallest element in \mathcal{C})

$a = p_1 \cdot p_2 \dots p_k$ and $b = q_1 \cdot q_2 \dots q_l$, where

$\forall i, j, p_i$ and q_j are primes.

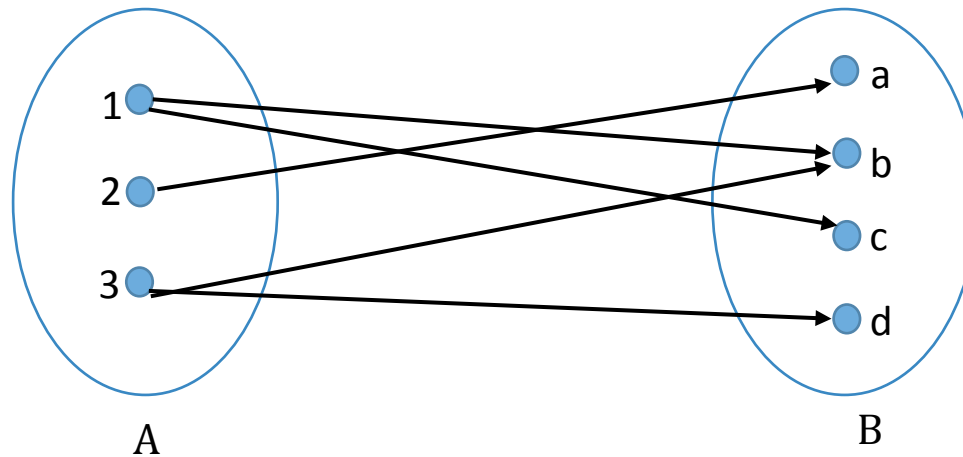
Relations

A relation R from a domain A to a range B is a subset of $A \times B$.

Example:

$$R: \{1,2,3\} \rightarrow \{a,b,c,d\}$$

$$R = \{(1,b), (1,c), (2,a), (3,b), (3,d)\}$$



Functions

A (total) function f from a domain A to a range B is a relation such that:

$$\forall x \in A \exists b \in B: f(x) = b$$

$$\forall x \in A, \forall b \downarrow 1 \in B, \forall b \downarrow 2 \in B: (f(x) = b \downarrow 1 \wedge f(x) = b \downarrow 2) \rightarrow b \downarrow 1 = b \downarrow 2$$

“Every domain element is mapped to exactly one element in the range.”

Example: *Domain*= **\mathbf{N}** , *Range*= **\mathbf{N}**

$$f(x) = x^2$$

Example: *Domain*= **\mathbf{N}** , *Range*= **\mathbf{R}**

$$f(x) = x^2$$

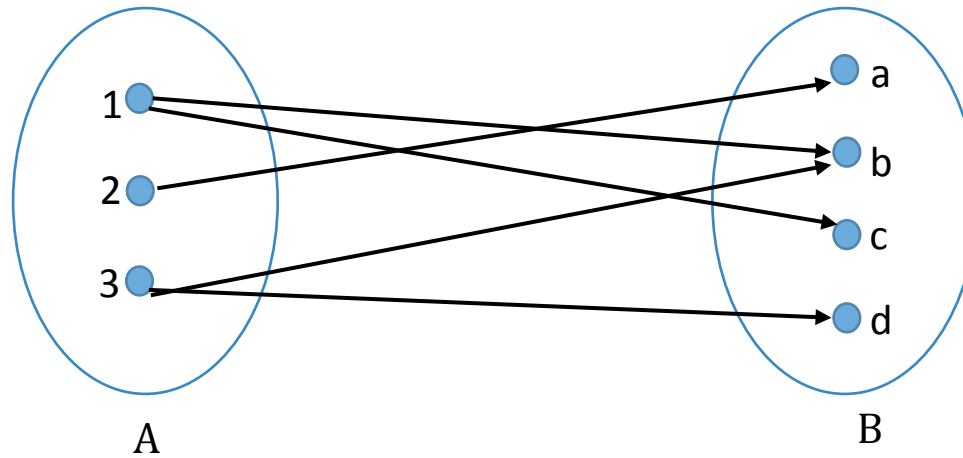
$$f(x) = \sqrt{x}$$

Functions

$R: \{1,2,3\} \rightarrow \{a,b,c,d\}$

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Is R a function?



Types of Functions

Definition 1: A function $f:A \rightarrow B$ is *one-to-one* (also called *injective*) if

$$\forall x_1, x_2 \in A: (x_1 \neq x_2) \rightarrow f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$$

“every domain element is mapped to a unique element in the range.”

Definition 2: A function $f:A \rightarrow B$ is *onto* (also called *surjective*) if

$$\forall y \in B \exists x \in A: f(x) = y$$

“every element in the range is the target of at least one domain element.”

Definition 3: A function $f:A \rightarrow B$ is a *one-to-one correspondence* (also called *bijjective*) if f is both injective and surjective.

“every domain element is matched with exactly one element in the range, and vice versa.”

Examples

Let $f: \mathbf{N} \rightarrow \mathbf{N}$

$$f(x) = x^2$$

one-to-one but not onto

$$f(x) = x^2 - 1$$

not a function!

$$f(x) = (x-1)^2$$

not one-to-one, not onto!

$$f(x) = x$$

one-to-one and onto

$$f(0) = 0, \forall x > 0: f(x) = x - 1$$

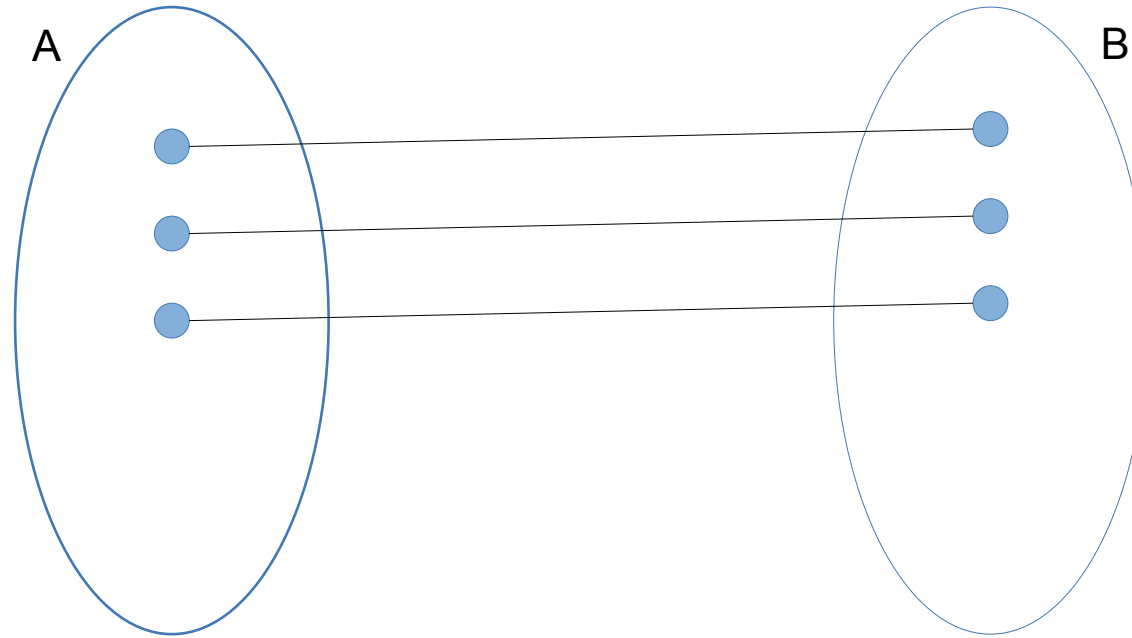
not one-to-one, but onto

Which is bigger?

1. $\{1, 2, 3\}$ or $\{\text{Alice}, \text{Bob}, \text{Charlie}\}$
2. $\{10, 20, 25\}$ or $\{234, 567\}$
3. $\{10, 20, 25\}$ or $\{10, 20, 250\}$
4. $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ or $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

What does it even mean for two sets to be equal in size?

Sets of equal size



Associate **every** member of A with a **unique** member of B.

If every member of B is associated with a unique member of A then $|A| = |B|$.

Or, $|A|=|B|$ if and only if there is a bijection from A to B.

This is the definition of equality of set sizes, even for infinite sets!

Cardinality of Sets

Sets A and B have the same cardinality (denoted $|A|=|B|$) if

$\exists f:A \rightarrow B$ and f is bijective (one-to-one correspondence).

Example: $f:\mathbf{N} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$ where $f(x) = \begin{cases} x/2, & \text{if } x \text{ is even} \\ -x+1/2, & \text{if } x \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$

f is bijective. Therefore, $|\mathbf{N}| = |\mathbf{Z}|$