

CS 207M Tutorial-1

Notation: $N = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ is the set of natural numbers.

1. Let A and B be sets. Prove that the following statements are equivalent.
 - There exists a bijection from A to B .
 - There exists a bijection from B to A .
2. Prove that if there is a bijection from A to B , then there is a bijection from 2^A to 2^B .
3. Let A be any set. Show that there is a bijection from 2^A to the set of all functions from the set A to the set $[2] = \{1, 2\}$.
4. Prove that the set A^* of finite sequences of elements from a finite set A is countable. Is the set A^ω of infinite sequences of elements from a finite set A countable?
5. Is the set A^* of finite sequences of elements from a countable set A countable?
6. Which of the following sets are countable/uncountable?
 - the set of all infinite subsets of N whose complement is finite.
 - the set of all infinite subsets of N whose complement is infinite.
7. Show that the set of all infinite sequences (A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots) such that each $A_i \subseteq N$ has the same cardinality as 2^N .
8. Show that if there is an injection from A to B , and also a surjection from A to B , then there is a bijection from A to B .
9. Let $f : X \rightarrow X$ be a function. A subset Y of X is called invariant if $f(Y) \subseteq Y$. An invariant subset Y is called irreducible if no proper subset of Y is also invariant. An invariant subset Y is called decomposable if its complement is also invariant.

Now let $f : X \rightarrow X$ be an injection. Show that if X is finite, then X is a disjoint union of irreducible decomposable subsets. Given an example of an infinite set X and an injection $f : X \rightarrow X$ where there are infinitely many non-trivial invariant subsets of X . However, there is no non-trivial decomposable or irreducible subset.