

**HOMEWORK FOR THE COURSE FOUNDATIONS OF
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1. HOMEWORK 1 [DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 20, 2025, 23:59]

Homework longer than 3 pages long will not be accepted!

- (1) Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a injective function.
 - (a) (2 pts) Prove without the axiom of choice that if X is non-empty, then there exists a surjection $g: Y \rightarrow X$ such that $g(f(x)) = x$ for every $x \in X$.
 - (b) (1 pt) What happens when $X = \emptyset$? When can you define g as above?
- (2) (3 pts) Prove that
$$|\mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}| = 2^{|\mathbb{N}|}.$$
- (3) (4 pts) Let X be an infinite set. Prove that
$$|X| = |X| + 1.$$

Hint: Proposition 1.2.2 of the textbook.