

# Math 425a Spring 2023 HW 2

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TOTAL POINTS

**30 / 35**

QUESTION 1

1 5 / 5

✓ - 0 pts Correct

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- 4 pts You need to prove the first two arguments first.

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✓ - 5 pts No proof.

QUESTION 7

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QUESTION 2

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✓ - 0 pts Correct

QUESTION 3

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QUESTION 4

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QUESTION 5

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QUESTION 6

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Q1  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a function.

$\{Y_j\}$  is a collection of subsets of  $Y$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_j Y_j\right) &= \{x \in X \mid f(x) \in \bigcup_j Y_j\} \\ &= \{x \in X \mid \exists j \text{ s.t. } f(x) \in Y_j\} \\ &= \bigcup_j \{x \in X \mid f(x) \in Y_j\} \\ &= \bigcup_j f^{-1}(Y_j) \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}\left(\bigcap_j Y_j\right) &= \{x \in X \mid f(x) \in Y_j \forall j\} \\ &= \bigcap_j \{x \in X \mid f(x) \in Y_j\} \\ &= \bigcap_j f^{-1}(Y_j) \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

Q Are the above properties true if  $\{Y_j\}$  is replaced by a collection  $\{X_j\}$  of subsets of  $X$  &  $f^{-1}$  by  $f$ ?

Ans Not for intersection. Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  &  $f(x) = x^2$

If  $A = (-1, 0)$  &  $B = (0, 1)$

$$f(A \cap B) = \emptyset \neq f(A) \cap f(B) = (0, 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\bigcup_j X_j\right) &= \{y \in Y \mid \exists j, y = f(x_j)\} = \bigcup_j \{y \in Y \mid y = f(x_j)\} \\ &= \bigcup_j f(X_j) \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

2 a) \* Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be an injection (one-one) where  $|A| = |B|$ .  
we want to show  $f$  is also surjective (onto)

\* For any injective  $f$ ,  $|f(A)| = |A|$  & hence  $|f(A)| = |A| = |B|$   
However,  $f(A) \subseteq B$  by definition of  $f(A)$  being the range of  $f$  &  $B$  being the codomain.

$$* f(A) \subseteq B \text{ \& } |f(A)| = |B|$$



$$f(A) = B$$

Hence range = Codomain & hence  $f$  is surjective (onto)

\* Now we want to show that the above is not true when  $A$  &  $B$  are infinite. Let  $A = \mathbb{N} = B$  such that  $|A| = |B|$

Now we show by a counter example that the above does not hold. Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be  $f(n) = 2n$ . Clearly  $f$  is one-one but it isn't onto. Ex-2:  $f(x) = x/2$ ,  $A = B = [0, 1]$

b) Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a surjection (onto) with  $|A| = |B|$ .

We want to show that  $f$  is also an injection.

Clearly, since  $f$  is onto,  $f(A) = B$  & hence  $|f(A)| = |B|$

& since  $|B| = |A|$ , we have  $|f(A)| = |A|$ . Since  $|f(A)| \leq |A|$

for any mapping,  $|f(A)| = |A|$  is only true if  $f$  is one-one.

Hence  $f$  is injective.

Now we want to show that the above doesn't hold when  $A$  &  $B$  are infinite. Ex:  $A = B = [-1, 1]$  &  $f: A \rightarrow B$  with  
 $f(x) = 1 - 2x^2$

3) a)  $\{1/n : n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}\} \leftarrow$  countable infinite because  $\mathbb{Z}$  is countable & infinite.

b) The collection of all finite subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$ .

$\uparrow$  countably infinite because set of finite subsets of a countable set is countable.

c) The set of all functions  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$   
Let  $A = \{0, 1\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ .

Now, let  $g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  be a function from natural numbers to  $\{0, 1\}$ . We can have a bijection from  $g \rightarrow P(\mathbb{N})$  where  $P(x)$  is powerset of  $x$ . Just like in 5 b), this bijection is  $h: g \rightarrow P(\mathbb{N})$  with  $h(g) = \{n \mid \text{if } g(n) = 1\}$ . Hence the set of such  $f$  is uncountable. If anything,  $|f| > |g| = \infty$ .

d) The set of all non-decreasing functions  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ .  
The set such  $f$  can be mapped to a non-decreasing sequence in  $\mathbb{N}$ .

The sequences can be then mapped to a set containing elements appearing in the sequence. These sets are infinite subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$  and hence uncountably infinite because the collection of such subsets is powerset of  $\mathbb{N}$ .

e) The set of all non-increasing functions  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ .

There exist a bijection from the functions  $f$  to non-increasing sequences in  $\mathbb{N}$ . Since such sequences inevitably flatten out <sup>converge</sup> at some index  $i$  either to 0 or some finite value  $c$ , we take the pair  $(i, c)$  where  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  &  $c \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} = \mathbb{Z}_+$ .

$(i, c) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{Z}_+$  is infinite but countable. So we have to

account for the initial part of the sequences before index  $i$ . Since  $i$  is finite, we are looking at countable <sup>number of</sup> such initial parts. Hence the total is countably infinite.



#### ④ Cantor - Bernstein - Schröder theorem

If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  &  $g: B \rightarrow A$  are both injections, then there exists a bijection between  $A \leftrightarrow B$ .

We want to show that  $A = (0, 1)$  &  $B = [0, 1)$  have the same cardinality using the above theorem.

$$\text{Let } f(x) = x \quad \& \quad g(x) = \frac{1-x}{2}$$

$$f: A \rightarrow B$$

$$g: B \rightarrow A$$

Clearly both  $f$  &  $g$  are injections.

Hence there exists a bijection between  $A$  &  $B$

$$\text{Hence } |A| = |B|.$$

5. a) Any  $x \in (0, 1)$  can be written as  $0.a_1a_2a_3\ldots$

b) We can put the binary representations in bijective correspondence with subsets of natural numbers by defining the bijection as

$$f: x \rightarrow \{i \mid a_i = 1 \text{ in } \text{binary representation of } x\}$$

c) Cantor's theorem says that  $\text{card}(X) < \text{card}(P(X))$  where  $P(X)$  is the powerset of  $X$ . Since there is a bijection from  $x \in (0, 1)$  to  $P(\mathbb{N})$ , hence  $|(0, 1)| = |P(\mathbb{N})| > |\mathbb{N}| = \infty$

$$\text{where } |\cdot| = \text{card}(\cdot)$$

$$\text{Hence } \text{card}((0, 1)) = |(0, 1)| = \infty$$

6)  $B$  is countable.

To prove  $\text{Card}(\mathbb{R} \cup B) = \text{Card}(\mathbb{R})$

$$\text{or } |\mathbb{R} \cup B| = |\mathbb{R}|$$

Let  $\mathbb{R} \cap B = \emptyset$  &  $B$  be countably infinite.

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \cup B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be such that  $f(x) = x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{N}$

7 The set of these circles, with center  $(x, y)$  & radius  $r$ , can be mapped into the 3-tuple  $(x, y, r)$  where  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  &  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

Since  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}$  are each countably <sup>infinite</sup>,  $(x, y, r) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Q}$  form a set that is countably infinite too.