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Recall:  $f: X \rightarrow Y$

Injective:  $f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$

Surjective: For all  $y \in Y$  there is  $x \in X$  s.t.  $f(x) = y$ .

Bijective: Injective and surjective

• If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a bijection, then there is an inverse:  $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$  given by  $f^{-1}(y) = x$  if  $f(x) = y$ .

• Identity function/map:  $\text{id}_X: X \rightarrow X$

$$\text{id}_X(x) = x \text{ for all } x \in X$$

• The composition of a function  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  with  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is the function  $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$  defined by:  $(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$  for  $x \in X$ .

Def. (Alternative version)

Given a bijection  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ , the inverse function:  $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$  is the unique func. satisfying:  $f^{-1} \circ f = \text{id}_X$  and  $f \circ f^{-1} = \text{id}_Y$ .

(Exercise: show that such a func. must be unique.)

• If  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , then  $f$  is real-valued.

• If  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , then  $f$  is complex-valued.

Example:  $\frac{d}{dx}: C^1(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow C(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$

Injective? No; Let  $g \in C^1(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ . Then  $\frac{d}{dx}(g+c) = \frac{d}{dx}(g)$

where  $c$  is a constant.



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Surjective?

Yes; given any  $f \in C(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ , we can define  $F \in C^1(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$  by  $F: X \rightarrow \int_0^x f(t) dt$  and  $\frac{d}{dx} F = f$  (Fundamental theorem of calculus)

### Cardinality (1.4):

Cardinality: Tool for comparing the sizes of sets.

Def: We say that two sets  $A$  and  $B$  have the same cardinality if there exists a bijection between  $A$  and  $B$ .

Ex.:

i) The intervals  $[0, 2]$  and  $[0, 1]$  have the same cardinality.

$$f: [0, 2] \rightarrow [0, 1], \quad f(t) = \frac{t}{2}$$

ii)  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  and  $\mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\} = \{2, 3, 4, \dots\}$  have the same cardinality;  $f(n) = n + 1$ .

iii)  $n$  finite integer, then there is no bijection

$$f: \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}.$$

i.e.: these sets do not have the same cardinality.

Def: Let  $X$  be a set. We say  $X$  is finite if either  $X = \emptyset$  or there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $X$  has the same cardinality  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , i.e.  $\exists$  bijection  $f: \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \rightarrow X$  for some  $n$ .  
 $X$  is infinite if it is not finite.

Def: A set  $X$  is:

i) countably infinite if it has the same cardinality as  $\mathbb{N}$ ,  $\exists$  bijection  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  (or opposite).

ii) countable if it is either countably infinite or finite

(Equivalent: if  $\exists$  injection  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$   
or  $\exists$  surjection  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow X$ )

iii) uncountable if it is not countable.



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Ex.: (Countable sets)

- i) Any finite set, eg.  $\{2, 5, 9\}$   
ii)  $X = \{1, 4, 9, 16, \dots, n^2, \dots\}$ ,  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow X$ ,  $f(n) = n^2$

iii)  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  is countable; we arrange  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  in a table:

$$(1, 1) \quad (1, 2) \quad (1, 3) \quad (1, 4) \quad \dots \quad f(1) = (1, 1)$$

$$(2, 1) \quad (2, 2) \quad (2, 3) \quad \dots \quad f(2) = (2, 1)$$

$$(3, 1) \quad (3, 2) \quad (3, 3) \quad \dots \quad f(3) = (1, 2)$$

$$(4, 1) \quad (4, 2) \quad (4, 3) \quad \dots \quad f(4) = (3, 1)$$

proof in book  
iv)  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}$  are countable (problem set 1)

v) If  $X$  and  $Y$  are countable sets, then so is  $X \cup Y$  (proof: exercise)

Schröder-Bernstein theorem: (NB: Not in book)

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two sets. Suppose there are injective maps  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g: Y \rightarrow X$ . Then there exists a bijection between  $X$  and  $Y$ .

Ex: The interval  $(0, 1) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is uncountable. (0,1) [0,1]

claim: is uncountable

proof: (the Cantor diagonalization argument) suppose that  $(0, 1)$  is countable.

$$(0, 1) = \left\{ \underset{f(1)}{x_1}, \underset{f(2)}{x_2}, \underset{f(3)}{x_3}, x_4, \dots \right\}$$

$$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow (0, 1)$$

$$x_i = 0, x_{i1}, x_{i2}, x_{i3}, \dots$$

Now let  $a = 0, a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 a_5 \dots$  where  $a_i = \begin{cases} 3 & \text{if } x_{ii} \neq 3 \\ 1 & \text{if } x_{ii} = 3 \end{cases}$

Then  $a_i \neq x_{ii}$ , so by construction  $a \neq x_i$  for all  $i$ .

Moreover, we must have  $a \in (0, 1)$ .

This is a contradiction, so  $(0, 1)$  cannot be countable.



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Ex.: The set of all binary sequences

$$X = \left\{ (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) : x_i \in \{0, 1\} \right\}$$

is countable.

proof: Problem set 2. ■

Lemma: Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be sets.

i) If  $X$  is countable  $Y \subseteq X$ , then  $Y$  is also countable.

$$\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\} \rightarrow \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, \dots\}$$

ii) If  $X$  is uncountable and  $X \subseteq Y$ , then  $Y$  is uncountable.

iii) If  $X$  is countable and there is an injection

$$f: Y \rightarrow X,$$

then  $Y$  is countable.

iv) If  $X$  is uncountable and  $\exists$  injective

$$f: X \rightarrow Y,$$

then  $Y$  is uncountable.

Ex.: Have proved formally that:

$(0, 1)$  is uncountable  $\stackrel{ii}{\implies} \mathbb{R}$  must be uncountable

$\mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{C} \stackrel{ii}{\implies} \mathbb{C}$  is uncountable.

Ex.:  $\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{Q} \cup \mathbb{I}$

Know:  $\mathbb{Q}$  is countable

Assume:  $\mathbb{I}$  is countable

$\implies \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{Q} \cup \mathbb{I}$  is countable.

contradiction; so  $\mathbb{I}$  is uncountable. ■