

# CSE 20

# DISCRETE MATH

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# Today's learning goals

- Differentiate between important sets of numbers
- Compare sets using one-to-one, onto, and invertible functions.

$|A| \leq |B|$  means there is a one-to-one function from A to B.

$$\exists f : A \rightarrow B \forall a_1 \in A \forall a_2 \in A ( a_1 \neq a_2 \rightarrow f(a_1) \neq f(a_2) )$$

$|A| \geq |B|$  means there is an onto function from A to B.

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

$|A| = |B|$  means there is a bijection from A to B.

$$\exists f : A \rightarrow B \forall b \in B \exists a \in A ( f(a) = b \wedge \forall a' \in A ( a \neq a' \rightarrow f(a') \neq b ) )$$

## Cantor-Schroder-Bernstein Theorem:

$|A| = |B|$  iff  $|A| \leq |B|$  and  $|B| \leq |A|$  iff  $|A| \geq |B|$  and  $|B| \geq |A|$

# Cardinality

*Rosen Defn 3 p. 171*

Finite sets

$|A| = |\{1, \dots, n\}|$  for some nonnegative int  $n$

Countably infinite sets

$|A| = |\mathbf{N}|$  (informally, can be listed out)

 "Smallest" infinite set

First 20 steps in enumeration.

Natural numbers

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19

Positive integers

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

Negative integers

-1 -2 -3 -4 -5 -6 -7 -8 -9 -10 -11 -12 -13 -14 -15 -16 -17 -18 -19 -20

Integers

0 -1 1 -2 2 -3 3 -4 4 -5 5 -6 6 -7 7 -8 8 -9 9 -10

# Comparing cardinality

Countably infinite sets

$|A| = |\mathbf{N}|$  (informally, can be listed out)

Which of the following sets is countably infinite?

- A.  $\mathbf{N} = \{x \in \mathbf{Z} \mid x \geq 0\}$
- B.  $\mathbf{Z}^+ = \{x \in \mathbf{Z} \mid x > 0\}$
- C.  $\mathbf{Z}^- = \{x \in \mathbf{Z} \mid x < 0\}$
- D.  $\mathbf{Z}$
- E. All of the above

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Integers

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Odd natural numbers

1 3 5 7 9 11 13 15 17 19 21 23 25 27 29 31 33 35 37 39

Consider the function  $f : \text{---} \rightarrow \text{---}$  given by  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -2x - 1 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$

This function can be used as witness that:

A.  $|\mathbb{Z}^+| = |\mathbb{Z}^-|$

B.  $|\mathbb{Z}^+| = |\mathbb{N}|$

C.  $|\mathbb{Z}| = |\mathbb{N}|$

D. All of the above.

E. None of the above.

# Properties of cardinality

$$\forall A (|A| = |A|)$$

$$\forall A \forall B (|A| = |B| \rightarrow |B| = |A|)$$

$$\forall A \forall B \forall C ( (|A| = |B| \wedge |B| = |C|) \rightarrow |A| = |C| )$$

*Corollary: All countably infinite sets are the same size as one another.*



# Comparing cardinality

Countably infinite sets

$|A| = |\mathbf{N}|$  (informally, can be listed out)

Which of the following sets is countably infinite?

- A. The set of ratings of 4 movies
- B. The set of RNA strands
- C. The set of hex colors
- D. The set of linked lists of natural numbers
- E. All of the above

# Alphabetical\* order

One-to-one function from  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  to  $S$

One-to-one function from  $S$  to  $\mathbb{N}$

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# Another way – basis representation

- Alternative construction: one-to-one map from  $S$  to  $\mathbb{N}$
- Strings:  $A, C, G, U, AA, AC, AG, AU, CA, CC, \dots$
- View  $A, C, G, U$  as **digits** in base 10:
  - $A=1, C=2, G=3, U=4$
- Map:  $A \rightarrow 1, AA \rightarrow 11, CA \rightarrow 21, \dots$

# The set of linked lists

One-to-one function from  $\mathbb{N}$  to  $L$

One-to-one function from  $L$  to  $\mathbb{N}$

Recall definition of  $L$ :

Basis Step:  $[] \in L$

Recursive Step: If  $l \in L$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  
then  $(n, l) \in L$

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Number for (0,[]): 1  
Number for (1,[]): 2  
Number for (2,[]): 4  
Number for (3,[]): 8  
Number for (0,(0,[]): 3  
Number for (1,(3,[]): 13122  
Number for (2,(1,[]): 36  
Number for (2,(6,[]): 9223372036854775807  
Number for (4,(2,[]): 1296  
Number for (3,(9,[]): 9223372036854775807  
Number for (6,(3,[]): 419904  
Number for (0,(0,(0,[]): 27  
Number for (1,(2,(4,[]): 9223372036854775807  
Number for (3,(2,(1,[]): 1200757082375993088

What happened here?



# The set of rationals

$$\left\{ \frac{p}{q} \mid p \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } q \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } q \neq 0 \right\}$$

One-to-one function from  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  to  $\mathbb{Q}$

# The set of rationals $\left\{ \frac{p}{q} \mid p \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } q \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } q \neq 0 \right\}$

One-to-one function from  $\mathbb{Q}$  to  
 $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$

One-to-one function from  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$   
to  $\mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+$

One-to-one function from  
 $\mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+$  to  $\mathbb{Z}^+$

# Pairing

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# Pairing

Number for (1, 1): 6

Number for (1, 2): 18

Number for (1, 3): 54

Number for (1, 4): 162

Number for (2, 1): 12

Number for (2, 2): 36

Number for (2, 3): 108

Number for (2, 4): 324

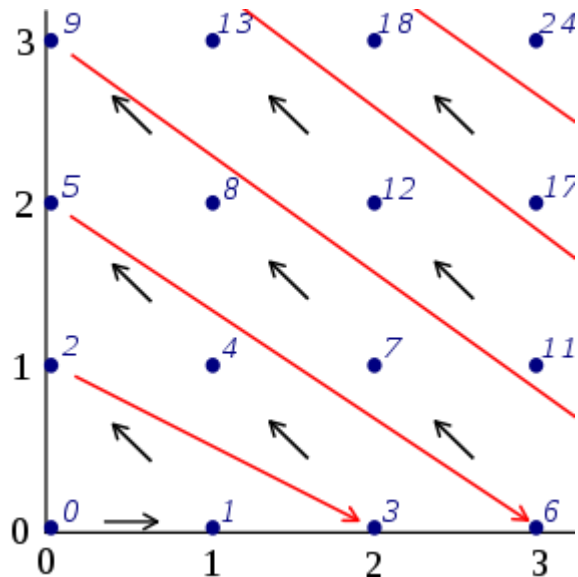
Number for (3, 1): 24

Number for (3, 2): 72

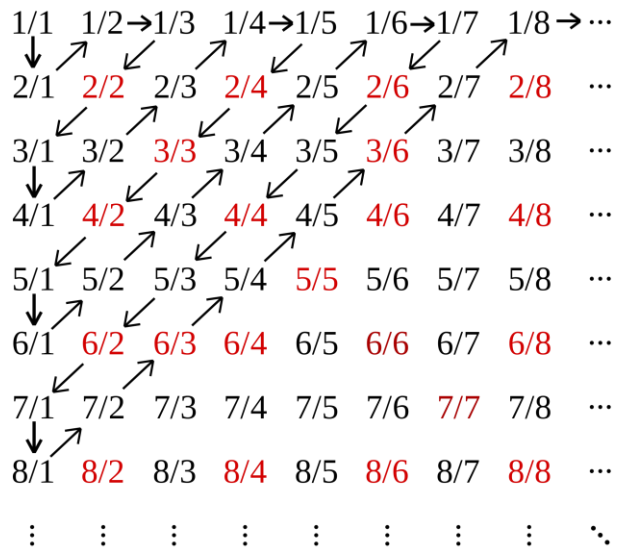
Number for (3, 3): 216

Number for (3, 4): 648

# Visually: countably infinite sets can be “listed out”



$\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$



$\mathbb{Q}^+$

# Recap

The **countably** infinite sets are the “smallest” infinite sets: they are in bijective correspondence with the set of natural numbers. They all have the same cardinality.

Many sets are countably infinite, including

- The set of all integers
- The set of positive integers
- The set of negative integers
- The set of odd integers
- The set of RNA strands
- The set of linked lists of natural numbers
- The set of rational numbers
- The set of ordered pairs of positive integers

# For next time

Pre class reading: Example 5 Section 2.5 p173-174

\*\* highly recommended \*\*