

Week 1 Lecture I1. Numbers & Notations

$$\mathbb{Z} := \{ \dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots \} \quad (\text{Integers})$$

$$\mathbb{N} := \{ 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots \} \quad (\text{Natural numbers})$$

$\rightarrow (\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$ is a ring.

$\rightarrow (\mathbb{N}, +)$ is a monoid. (+ is associative and 0 is the identity)

Def: Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$,

we write $a \leq b$ $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} b - a \in \mathbb{N}$.

[\Rightarrow and $a = b \iff a \leq b$ and $b \leq a$.]

" \leq " is reflexive, anti-symmetric, and transitive.

$a \leq a$ $(a \leq b) \& (b \leq a) \Rightarrow a = b$ $a \leq b \& b \leq c \Rightarrow a \leq c$

Def: Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$ and $b \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $b \leq x, \forall x \in X$, then b is a lower bound for X .

If $b \in X$, then b is also a least member.

Well-ordering Axiom: If $X \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$ is a non-empty and has a lower bound then X has a least member.

→ This is not true for \mathbb{Q} .

→ This allows us to count and use induction.

→ \mathbb{Z} is discrete.

Well-ordering for \mathbb{N}

If $X \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ and non-empty, then X has a least member.

Thm [Induction principle]

Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ be such that

i) $1 \in S$,

ii) $(\forall k \in \mathbb{N}) \quad k \in S \Rightarrow k+1 \in S$

Then $S = \mathbb{N}$.

Pf] Exercise.

Notations

For now, we use the following conventions:

$$[n] := \{1, 2, \dots, n\}, \text{ for } n \geq 1. \quad [0] := \emptyset := \{\}$$

$$n! := n(n-1)(n-2) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$$

$$0! := 1$$

If $X \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ has m members then $|X| := m$ and we say that X has cardinality or size m .

The empty set $\{\}, \emptyset$ has cardinality 0.

2. Relations & Functions

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Let A, B be sets, then $A \times B := \{(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}$

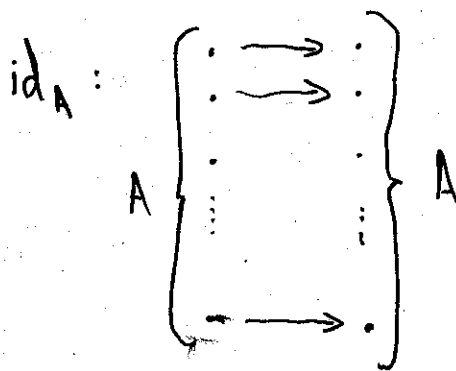
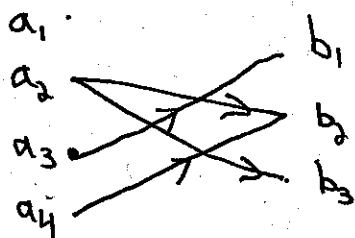
Def: Given two sets A and B , a relation R between A and B is any subset $R \subseteq A \times B$ of ordered pair in $A \times B$.

If $(a, b) \in A \times B$ and $(a, b) \in R$, "a & b are related by R "

Domain: $\text{dom}(R) := \{a \in A \mid \exists b \in B, (a, b) \in R\}$

Range/Codomain: $\text{codom}(R) := \{b \in B \mid \exists a \in A, (a, b) \in R\}$

Ex:



Def: A function f from a set A to a set B is a relation $f \subseteq A \times B$ such that $(\forall a \in A)$ if $(a, b_1) \in f$ and $(a, b_2) \in f$ then $b_1 = b_2$.

A function f is partial if not all $a \in A$ are related to an element of B .

Otherwise it is total.

The codomain is also called the image.

Def: Given a function $f: A \rightarrow B$ with $A \neq \emptyset$,
 -suppose there is some function $g: B \rightarrow A$ such that

$$g \circ f = id_A$$

then g is a left inverse of f .

-suppose $\longleftrightarrow // \longleftrightarrow$ $h: B \rightarrow A$ such that

$$f \circ h = id_B$$

then h is a right inverse of f .

Observe: in $g \circ f \rightarrow f$ must be total and?
 \rightarrow What about g ?

in $f \circ h \rightarrow h$ must be total
 \rightarrow What about f ?

Lemma let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be a function and suppose that
 $g \circ f = id_A$ & $f \circ h = id_B$

Then $g=h$ and g is unique.

Ex Exercise.

Def A function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is invertible when there is a
 function $g: B \rightarrow A$ such that:

$$g \circ f = id_A \quad \& \quad f \circ g = id_B$$

g is denoted f^{-1} .

Def: Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be a function.

- f is injective (or one-to-one) $f: A \hookrightarrow B$
when $\forall a, b \in A \quad f(a) = f(b) \Rightarrow a = b$.

- f is surjective (or onto) $f: A \twoheadrightarrow B$
when $(\forall b \in B), (\exists a \in A)$ s.t. $b = f(a)$.
($\Leftrightarrow \text{Im}(f) = B$).

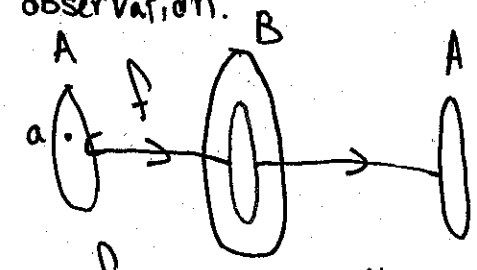
- f is bijective when f is injective & surjective

Thm: Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be a function with $A \neq \emptyset$.

- a) f is injective $\Leftrightarrow f$ has a left inverse
- b) f is surjective $\Leftrightarrow f$ has a right inverse
- c) f is bijective $\Leftrightarrow f$ is invertible

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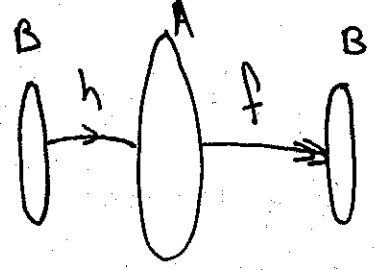
a) \Leftarrow) See observation.
 \Rightarrow)



$$g \circ f = \text{Id}_A$$

$a \xrightarrow{f} f(a) \xrightarrow{g} a$ (if $f(a)$ is in $\text{Im}(f)$)
 $b \xrightarrow{f} a_0$ (since $A \neq \emptyset$, pick one)

b) \Leftarrow) See observation.
 \Rightarrow)



Since $A \neq \emptyset$ and f is surj. $\Rightarrow B \neq \emptyset$.
 $\forall b \in B \quad f^{-1}(b) = \{a \in A \mid f(a) = b\} \neq \emptyset$.
 Hence "pick" an element x_b in each
 and define $h: B \rightarrow A$
 $b \rightarrow x_b$

c) Lemma \oplus a) + b)

"pick": This requires the Axiom of Choice (for uncountable sets) ⑥

Axiom of choice: $(\forall R \subseteq A \times B), \exists$ a partial function $f: A \rightarrow B$
 $f \subseteq R$ and $\text{dom}(f) = \text{dom}(R)$.

Def: A set A is equinumerous to a set B , $A \approx B$
when $\exists f: A \rightarrow B$ which is bijective.

Lemma: If $f: A \rightarrow B$

a) f injective, then $|A| \leq |B|$

b) f surjective, then $|B| \leq |A|$

c) f bijective, then $|A| = |B|$

Wow! What about "infinite" sets?

Def: - A set is finite if it is equinumerous to a set of the
form $[n]$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

- A set is infinite when it is not finite.

- A set A is countable when $\exists f: A \hookrightarrow \mathbb{N}$ injective.

When $f: A \rightarrow A$ is bijective and A is countable
we say that A is a permutation of A .

Lemma: \mathbb{N} is infinite

pf Assume the opposite, i.e. $\exists f: \mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{\text{bij}} [n]$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
Form $A = \{f(a) + 1 \mid a \in \mathbb{N}\}$, $|A| = n$ and the least member
of $f(\mathbb{N})$ is not in $A \Rightarrow |f(\mathbb{N}) \cup A| > n$ and $f(\mathbb{N}) \cup A \subset \mathbb{N}$

3. Elementary counting problems

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Subsets

Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$. How many sets B such that $B \subseteq A$ are there?

For $B \subseteq A$, define $\chi_B: A \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$

$$\chi_B(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in B \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin B. \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \chi: 2^A \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{|A|} \quad 2^A := \text{Power set.}$$

$$B \mapsto \chi_B$$

- χ is bijective (check!)

$\{0, 1\}^A$ has $2^{|A|}$ elements, $\Rightarrow 2^{|A|}$ subsets.

Permutations

Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$, s.t. $|A| = n > 0$.

How many permutations of A (i.e. bij. $f: A \rightarrow A$) are there?

Pf If $n=1$, Id_A is the only bijection.

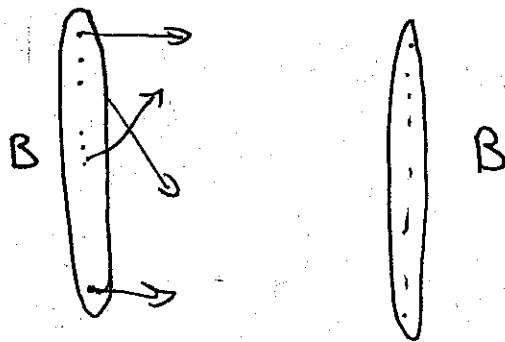
If $n > 1$, let P_{n-1} be the number of permutations of a set of card. $n-1$.

Write $A = \{*\} \cup B$ B is a set of card $n-1$. (8)

\nwarrow
 your
 favorite element in A .

Then a permutation P of A looks like:

$$P: \begin{array}{c} A \\ * \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} A \\ \cdot \end{array} *$$



$*$ has n possible images. AND

after for B there are $n-1$ possible images

i.e.

$P': B \longrightarrow A \setminus \{P(*)\} \approx B$
 is a permutation of B (after relabeling).

There are $\cdot P_{n-1}$ choices for P'

$\cdot n$ choices for the image of $*$.

$$\Rightarrow n \cdot P_{n-1} \Rightarrow n!$$

Cycles

A permutation P of $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ is cyclic if it can be written as

$$a_1 \xrightarrow{P} a_2 \xrightarrow{P} \dots \xrightarrow{P} a_{n-1} \rightarrow a_n \rightarrow a_1$$

$$(a_i \neq a_j \text{ for } i \neq j) \\ i, j \in [n].$$

How many cyclic permutations are there?

Let C_n be the number of cyclic permutations of A .

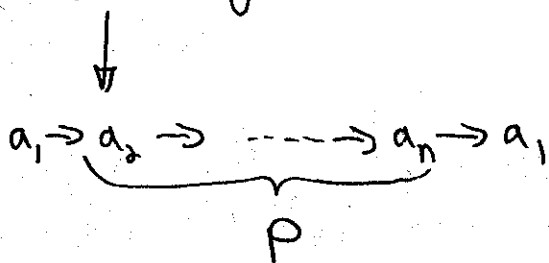
A cycle can start anywhere.

Fix a_1 to be the first element written.

- Then any permutation of $A \setminus \{a_1\}$ gives distinct cycles:

Hence at least $(n-1)! \Rightarrow |C_n| \geq (n-1)!$

- Any cycle gives rise to such a permutation P of $A \setminus \{a_1\}$



(once we fix an ordering of $A \setminus \{a_1\}$)

$$\Rightarrow |C_n| \leq (n-1)!$$

Therefore $|C_n| = (n-1)!$

Combining things

Addition principle

If A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n are mutually disjoint finite sets then

$$\left| \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right| = \sum_{i=1}^n |A_i|$$

pf If $x \in A_i$ it is counted once on each side.
If $x \notin A_i, \forall i \in [n]$, it is never counted ~~no~~

Interpretation

$$\underbrace{\text{Task T}}_{r+s \text{ ways}} = \underbrace{\text{Task R}}_{r \text{ ways}} \text{ or } \underbrace{\text{Task S}}_{s \text{ ways}} \text{ (exclusive)}$$

Multiplication principle

Given n finite sets A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n the number of ways to select one element from each set independently is

$$|A_1| \cdot |A_2| \cdot \dots \cdot |A_n| = |A_1 \times \dots \times A_n|$$

Interpretation:

$$\underbrace{\text{Task R}}_{r \text{ ways}} \text{ followed by } \underbrace{\text{Task S}}_{s \text{ ways}} = \underbrace{\text{Task T}}_{r \times s \text{ ways}}$$

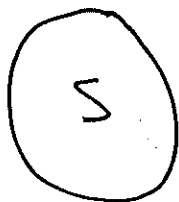
Week 1 Lecture 2

Standard Proof Techniques

• Double counting vs algebraic proof

(Double counting can be ambiguous...)

One set:



Two ways to count $|S|$.

- The number of subsets of $[n]$ is 2^n : each element of $[n]$ is in or not. [Forming a committee...]
By the multiplication principle we get 2^n choices.

- The number of subsets of $[n]$ is $\sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i}$

There is $\binom{n}{0}$ ways to get 0 element from $[n]$	_____	1	_____ //
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
There is $\binom{n}{n}$	_____	n	_____ //

Thus $2^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i}$

where $\binom{n}{i}$ is the number of i -subsets of an n -element set.

What is $\binom{n}{i}$?

- $\binom{n}{i} = 0$ if $i < 0$ or $i > n$ ✓
- $\binom{n}{i} = \frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!}$

Pf

1) Permute the n -set : $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & \dots & n \\ \pi(1) & \pi(2) & \pi(3) & \dots & \pi(n) \end{pmatrix}$ Two-line notation

There are $n!$ ways to do this

2) Pick the first " i " entries to be the i -subset.

(*) Every " i "-subset is constructible

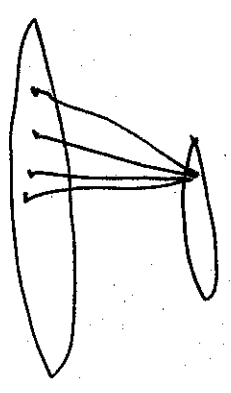
3) We over constructed.

(**) Each i -subset appear $\underbrace{i!}_{\text{permutes the } i \text{ first entries}} \cdot \underbrace{(n-i)!}_{\text{permutes the } n-i \text{ last entries}}$ times

4) We partitioned the permutations into $\frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!}$ types

$$\Rightarrow \binom{n}{i} = \frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!}$$

$$f : [\text{Perm. of } [n]] \rightarrow [i\text{-subsets of } [n]]$$



(*) f is surjective

(**) $f^{-1}(x)$ has card. $i!(n-i)!$

$$\Rightarrow \# \text{ } i\text{-subsets of } [n] \text{ is } \frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!}$$

□

Algebraic proof of $2^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i}$

Claim: $\binom{n}{i} + \binom{n}{i+1} = \binom{n+1}{i+1}$ for $0 \leq i \leq n-1$

Pf of claim: Compute $\frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!} + \frac{n!}{(i+1)!(n-i-1)!} = \frac{n!(i+1) + n!(n-i)}{(i+1)!(n-i)!}$
 $= \frac{(n+1)!}{(i+1)!(n-i)!} = \binom{n+1}{i+1}$

Pf $n=1$: $2^1 = 2 = \sum_{i=0}^1 \binom{1}{i} = 1 + 1 = 2 \checkmark$

$n > 1$: $2^n = 2 \cdot 2^{n-1} \stackrel{\text{ind. hyp.}}{=} 2 \cdot \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{i} \right)$
 $= \binom{n-1}{0} + \binom{n-1}{1} + \dots + \binom{n-1}{n-2} + \binom{n-1}{n-1}$
 $+ \binom{n-1}{0} + \dots + \binom{n-1}{n-3} + \binom{n-1}{n-2} + \binom{n-1}{n-1}$

 $= \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} + \dots + \binom{n}{n-2} + \binom{n}{n-1} + \binom{n}{n}$
 $= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} \quad \square$

Examples (Week 1)

1) How many 6 letters password is there?

Answer: By the multiplication principle there is $(26)^6$ possible passwords.

2) How many strings (or words) of 3 or 4 letters, all different, contain at least 1 vowel and 1 consonant?

Answer: Let $C_n = \{ \text{Strings of } n \text{ distinct letters} \}$

Disjoint sets $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A_n = \{ \text{Strings of } n \text{ distinct vowels} \} \\ B_n = \{ \text{Strings of } n \text{ distinct consonants} \} \\ X_n = \{ \text{Strings of } n \text{ distinct letters w/ at least} \\ \quad \text{1 vowel and 1 consonant} \} \end{array} \right.$

$$C_n = A_n \cup B_n \cup X_n$$

By the addition principle, $|C_n| = |A_n| + |B_n| + |X_n|$

We are looking for $|X_3 \cup X_4| = |X_3| + |X_4| = |C_3| - |A_3| - |B_3| + |C_4| - |A_4| - |B_4|$

$$|C_3| = 26 \cdot 25 \cdot 24$$

$$|C_4| = 26 \cdot 25 \cdot 24 \cdot 23$$

$$|A_3| = 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4$$

$$|A_4| = 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3$$

$$|B_3| = 20 \cdot 19 \cdot 18$$

$$|B_4| = 20 \cdot 19 \cdot 18 \cdot 17$$

$$\Rightarrow |X_3| = 8640$$

$$\Rightarrow |X_4| = 242160$$

$$\Rightarrow |X_3 \cup X_4| = 250800$$