

14 Uncountable Sets (*Denial of Self Recursion*)

14.1 Countable sets

Def. 1 Two sets A and B are **isomorphic**

with respect to the **bijective** function f ,

iff \exists a **bijection** $f: A \leftrightarrow B$, written $A \cong_f B$ or for short $A \cong B$.

Or two sets A and B has **same cardinality**, written $|A| = |B|$ or $|A| =_f |B|$.

Lem. 1 The set A can be **reproduced** with the set B and the function f^{-1} ,
and The set B also can be **reproduced** with A and f .

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 f: A \rightarrow B \wedge f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A & \equiv & f: A \leftrightarrow B \\
 A = \{f^{-1}(b) \in A \mid b \in B\} = f^{-1}(B) & & A \cong_{f^{-1}} B \\
 B = \{f(a) \in B \mid a \in A\} = f(A) & & B \cong_f A.
 \end{array}$$

Def. 1 Let the set $\aleph = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ be a set of **natural numbers**.

Def. 2 A set S is said to be **countable**, if has same cardinality with a **subset of \aleph** . **Uncountable**, otherwise.

Let a set S be **countable**. Then S is either **finite** or **countably infinite**.

If the set S is **countably infinite**, we write $|S| = \aleph$ (aleph).

Fact 1-1 Let $N_n = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ and $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$. Then

$$|N_n| =_f |A| = n < \aleph. n \in \aleph. 1 \leq \forall i \leq n: f(i) = a_i \text{ and } f^{-1}(a_i) = i.$$

$N_n \subset \aleph. \therefore N_n$ is (**countable and**) **finite** of size $n \in \aleph$.

Fact 1-2 Let $N_{0,n} = \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$ and $B = \{b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n\}$. Then

$$|N_n| =_f |A| = n < |N_{0,n}| = |B| = n+1. n+1 \in \aleph.$$

$0 \leq \forall i \leq n: f(i) = a_i \text{ and } f^{-1}(b_i) = i. \therefore N_{0,n}$ is **finite** of size $n+1 \in \aleph$.

$N_{0,n} \subset N_n \subset \aleph$ and $|N_n| = |A| = n < |N_{0,n}| = |B| = n+1 \ll \aleph$.

Def. 3 Let $\aleph_1 = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} = \{k+1 \in \aleph \mid k \in \aleph\}$ be

a set of **natural** numbers starting from 1. Then

$\aleph_1 \subset \aleph$ but $\aleph_1 \cong_f \aleph$, $\forall i \in \aleph_1: f(i) = i-1$ and $\forall n \in \aleph: f^{-1}(n) = n+1$.

$\therefore \aleph_1$ is **countable and finite(countably infinite)**.

Fact 2-1 Let $\aleph_E = \{0, 2, \dots, 2n, \dots\} = \{2k \in \aleph \mid k \in \aleph\}$ be

a set of **even** numbers. Then

$\aleph_E \subset \aleph$ but $\aleph_E \cong_f \aleph$, $\forall e \in \aleph_E: f(e) = e/2$ and $\forall n \in \aleph: f^{-1}(n) = 2 \cdot n$.

$\therefore |\aleph_E| = \aleph$ is **countably infinite**.

Fact 2-2 Let $\aleph_O = \{1, 3, \dots, 2n+1, \dots\} = \{2k+1 \in \aleph \mid k \in \aleph\}$ be

a set of **odd** numbers. Then

$\aleph_O \subset \aleph$ but $\aleph_O \cong_f \aleph$, $\forall o \in \aleph_O: f(o) = (o-1)/2$ and $\forall n \in \aleph: f^{-1}(n) = 2 \cdot n + 1$.

$\therefore |\aleph_O| = \aleph$ is **countably infinite**.

Def. 4 Let $\mathbf{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\} \leftrightarrow_f \{0, -1, 1, -2, 2, \dots\}$
 $= \{k \in \mathbf{Z} \mid k \in \aleph_1\} \cup \{0\} \cup \{-k \in \mathbf{Z} \mid k \in \aleph_1\}$ be a set of *integers*.

Then $\mathbf{Z} \supset \aleph$ but $\mathbf{Z} \cong_f \aleph$ where

$f: \mathbf{Z} \rightarrow \aleph, \forall i \in \mathbf{Z}: \text{if } i \geq 0 \rightarrow f(i) = 2 \cdot i \mid i < 0 \rightarrow f(i) = -(2 \cdot i + 1) \mathbf{fi}$.

$f^{-1}: \aleph \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}, \forall n \in \aleph: \text{if } n = 2 \cdot k \rightarrow f(n) = n/2 \mid n = 2 \cdot k + 1 \rightarrow f(n) = -\lfloor n/2 \rfloor \mathbf{fi}$.

$\therefore |\mathbf{Z}| = \aleph$ is *countably infinite*.

Def. 5 Let $\mathbf{Z}_n^p = \{k \in \mathbf{Z} \mid k \bmod n = p \text{ or } [k]_n = p\}$ be

a set *integers of congruence n of modulus p*. Then

$\mathbf{Z}_n^p \subset \mathbf{Z}$ but $\mathbf{Z}_n^p \cong_f \mathbf{Z}$. $\therefore |\mathbf{Z}_n^p| = |\mathbf{Z}| = \aleph$ is *countably infinite*.

$f: \mathbf{Z}_n^p \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}, \forall m \in \mathbf{Z}_n^p: f(m) = m \mathbf{div} n$.

$f^{-1}: \mathbf{Z} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_n^p, \forall i \in \mathbf{Z}, f^{-1}(i) = i \cdot n + p$.

$\{\dots, p-2n, p-n, p, p+n, , p+2n, \dots\} \leftrightarrow_f \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$.

Thm. 1 $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} = \{(i, j) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \mid i, j \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is *countably infinite*.

$(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), \dots, (0, n), \dots$

$(1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), \dots, (1, n), \dots$

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$(n, 0), (n, 1), (n, 2), \dots, (n, n), \dots$

...

$f: \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}, \forall i, j \in \mathbb{N}: f(i, j) = (i+j) \cdot (i+j+1) / 2 + j.$

$f^{-1}: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}: f^{-1}(n) = ?$

$\therefore |\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}| = |\mathbb{N}^2| = \aleph.$

Lem. 2 Let Q be a set of *rational* numbers. Since $Q \subset \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$, $|Q| = \aleph.$

Lem. 3 Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \times \dots \times \mathbb{N} = \mathbb{N}^k$ is *countably infinite*.

$|\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \times \dots \times \mathbb{N}| = |\mathbb{N}^k| = \aleph.$

$|\mathbb{N}| = |\mathbb{N}_I| = |\mathbb{N}_E| = |\mathbb{N}_O| = |\mathbb{Z}| = |\mathbb{Z}_n^P| = |\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}| = |Q| = |\mathbb{N}^k| = \aleph.$

Let V be a set of **symbols**, called **vocabulary(alphabet)**. We define a set of **strings** over V of length $n(n \geq 0)$.

$V^0 =_B \{\lambda\}$ λ : empty string of length 0, **identity** for concatenation(\cdot)

$V^{n+1} =_R V^n \cdot V$

$x \in V^n$ is a **string** over V whose length $|x| = n$.

V^n is a set of **string** over V and $|V^n| = |V|^n$.

We define $V^* = \cup_{i \in \aleph_0} V^i = \{\lambda\} \cup V \cup V^2 \cup \dots$

as an **universe** of strings over V .

Let $x = b_1 b_2 \dots b_n \in V^n (n \geq 0)$, $1 \leq \forall i \leq n: b_i \in V$. Then

$$f(x) = f(b_1 b_2 \dots b_n) = b_1 |V|^n + b_2 |V|^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1} |V| + b_n.$$

$\therefore |V^*| = \aleph$ is **countably infinite**.

14-2 Uncountable (Denial of Self Recursion)**14-2-1 Cantor's Diagonal Argument (1874, 1892)**

Consider $f: \aleph \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ and $2^{\aleph} = P(\aleph)$

infinite binary string *Power set of natural numbers*

Assume 2^{\aleph} is countable. Then $b_n \in 2^{\aleph}$ can be enumerated.

$$b_0 = (b_{00}, b_{01}, \dots, b_{0n}, \dots) \in 2^{\aleph}.$$

$$b_1 = (b_{10}, b_{11}, \dots, b_{1n}, \dots) \in 2^{\aleph}.$$

...

$$b_n = (b_{n0}, b_{n1}, \dots, b_{nn}, \dots) \in 2^{\aleph}. \quad i, j \in \aleph: b_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$$

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Consider **diagonal** $b_d = (b_{00}, b_{11}, \dots, b_{nn}, \dots) \in 2^{\aleph}$.

Consider **complement** of b_d , $\bar{b}_d = (\bar{b}_{00}, \bar{b}_{11}, \dots, \bar{b}_{nn}, \dots)$ $\bar{b}_{ii} = \neg b_{ii}$.

\bar{b}_d is an infinite binary string ($\bar{b}_d \in 2^{\aleph}$) but $\bar{b}_d \notin 2^{\aleph}$.

\therefore Assumption 2^{\aleph} is countable. is a contradiction. $\therefore 2^{\aleph}$ is **uncountable**.

14-2-2 Russel's Paradox(1901, 1911)

Let $R = \{x \mid x \notin R\}$ in $x = R$. Then $R = \{R \mid R \notin R\}$.

$\therefore R \in R \Leftrightarrow R \notin R$.

Contradiction!

14-2-3 Gödel's Incompleteness Theorem(1931)

Assume $\text{proof}(\text{theorem}) \rightarrow \{\text{proved}, \neg\text{proved}\}$ exists.

Hilbert's dream(1929)

Let $\text{Gödel}(\text{proof}, \text{theorem}) =$

if $\text{proof}(\text{theorem}) \rightarrow \neg\text{proved} \mid \neg\text{proof}(\text{theorem}) \rightarrow \text{proved}$ *fi*

in $\text{proof} = \text{theorem} = \text{Gödel}$ *then*

$\text{Gödel}(\text{Gödel}, \text{Gödel}) \text{ proved} \Leftrightarrow \text{Gödel}(\text{Gödel}) \neg\text{proved}$

$\wedge \text{Gödel}(\text{Gödel}, \text{Gödel}) \neg\text{proved} \Leftrightarrow \text{Gödel}(\text{Gödel}) \text{ proved}$

Contradiction!

14-2-4 Halting problem

Let $\text{Halting}(\text{program}, \text{data}) =$

if $\text{program}(\text{data}) \rightarrow \neg \text{stop}$ | $\neg \text{program}(\text{data}) \rightarrow \text{stop}$ **fi**

in $\text{program} = \text{data} = \text{Halting}$ **then**

$\text{Halting}(\text{Halting}, \text{Halting}) \text{ stop} \Leftrightarrow \neg \text{Halting}(\text{Halting})$

$\wedge \text{Halting}(\text{Halting}, \text{Halting}) \neg \text{stop} \Leftrightarrow \text{Halting}(\text{Halting}).$

Contradiction!

Denial of self recursion!

14-2-5 A Barber problem

A barber cuts everyone who **cannot cut himself**.

Shall the **barber** cut **himself**?

Contradiction!

14-2-6 A memo written by a liar

“This memo is written by me who is a **liar**.”

Is the memo written by the **liar** or **not**?

Contradiction!

14-2-7 Heterlogical adverb(이종형용사)

monosyllabic(단음절)

heterlogical

polysyllabic(다음절)

not heterlogical

heterlogical

heterlogical or not heterlogical

Contradiction!