

Answers Test 2, Intro Advanced Math, Oct 18 2019.

1. For each, simplify the cardinality to one of: $0, 1, 2, \dots, \aleph_0, c, 2^c, 2^{2^c}, \dots$.
No explanation is needed for (a)–(e). Do explain your answers for (f),(g).

- (a) $\{3, 3, 3\}$. Cardinality is 1.
 (b) Note $A \setminus B$ is the same as $A - B$.
 $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$. Cardinality is c . [Any other answer would violate item 22]
 (c) $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{Q}$. Cardinality is $\aleph_0 \cdot \aleph_0 = \aleph_0$.
 (d) $P(\mathbb{Q})$. Cardinality is $2^{\aleph_0} = c$. [See items 23 and 24].
 (e) $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$. Cardinality is $c^c = (2^{\aleph_0})^c = 2^{\aleph_0 c} = 2^c$.
 (f) $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$. Cardinality is $c^{\aleph_0} = (2^{\aleph_0})^{\aleph_0} = 2^{\aleph_0 \aleph_0} = 2^{\aleph_0} = c$.
 (g) Does there exist a bijection between $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$ and \mathbb{R} ?
 Yes because question (f) showed that both have the same cardinality.

2. Give the definitions:

- (a) A relation R on a set S is an *equivalence relation* when:

- i. [Reflexive] $\forall_{x \in S} xRx$
 ii. [Symmetric] $\forall_{x, y \in S} xRy \implies yRx$
 iii. [Transitive] $\forall_{x, y, z \in S} xRy \wedge yRz \implies xRz$

[Here it is OK if you omitted the quantifier \forall .
 It is also OK to write $(x, y) \in R$ instead of xRy]

- (b) A function $f : A \rightarrow B$ is *onto* (*surjective*) when:

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

[Here it is not OK if you omitted quantifiers, but it is always OK to write text like “for all” and “exists” instead of symbols like \forall and \exists .
 It is also OK to use other letters than a, b .]

3. Suppose that $f : P(A) \rightarrow B$ is injective.

Prove that there is no injective function $g : B \rightarrow A$.

$$o(A) < o(P(A)) \leq o(B) \quad (1).$$

[The $<$ is item 7, while the \leq is because f is injective]

Then an injective function $g : B \rightarrow A$ can not exist because that would imply $o(B) \leq o(A)$ contradicting (1).

4. Suppose that A_q is a set for every $q \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Suppose that for every $r \in \mathbb{R}$ there is some $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ for which $r \in A_q$.

Must there be some $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ for which A_q is uncountable?

Why or why not?

Yes, because if every A_q were countable, then $S := \bigcup_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} A_q$ would be a countable union of countable sets. Then S would be countable [item 19], contradicting the fact that every $r \in \mathbb{R}$ is in S .

5. Let C be a set, let A be a subset of C , and let $B = C \setminus A$. Suppose there is an injective function from B to A but not from C to A . Prove that C must be a finite set.

There is an injective function from B to A , so (a): $o(B) \leq o(A)$.

Suppose C is infinite. To Prove: a contradiction.

$C = A \cup B$ and $A \cap B = \emptyset$ so [see item 21:]

$$\begin{aligned} o(C) &= o(A) + o(B) && \text{[we can use item 22 because } C \text{ is infinite:]} \\ &= \max(o(A), o(B)) \\ &= o(A) \quad \text{by (a).} \end{aligned}$$

But $o(C) = o(A)$ contradicts the given statement that there is no injective function from C to A .

Items needed from the “List of facts on cardinal numbers” included in the test:

2. $o(A) \leq o(B)$ means $\exists f : A \rightarrow B$ with f one-to-one [Needed to know this in Ex 3 and Ex 5]
7. $o(A) < o(P(A))$ [Must use this in Ex 3]
19. If you have countably many sets, and if each of these sets is countable, then their union is also countable [Must use this or item 26 in Ex 4].
20. \mathbb{R} is uncountable [Need to know this in Ex 4]
21. If $d = o(D)$ and $e = o(E)$ then $d + e$ is the cardinality of $D \cup E$ if we assume that $D \cap E = \emptyset$ [Must use this in Ex 5].
22. If d, e are cardinal numbers, and if at least one of them is infinite, then $d + e = \max(d, e)$ [Must use this in Ex 5].
23. $o(P(A)) = 2^{o(A)}$ [Was used in Ex 1]
24. $c = o(\mathbb{R}) = 2^{\aleph_0}$ [Was used in Ex 1]
25. $(d_1 d_2)^e = d_1^e d_2^e$, $d^{e_1 + e_2} = d^{e_1} d^{e_2}$, $(d^e)^f = d^{ef}$ [Was used in Ex 1]