

Justify all responses with clear explanations and in complete sentences unless otherwise stated. Write up your solutions cleanly and neatly, and clearly identify all problem numbers. Identify all pages containing each problem when submitting the assignment.

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**Part I:** No justifications are required for these problems. Answers will be graded on correctness.

1. For each function  $f : A \rightarrow B$ , decide if  $f$  is a bijection, and if so, give a formula or otherwise describe  $f^{-1}$ .

(a)  $f_1 = \{(1, 3), (2, 4), (3, 2)\}$  from  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$  to  $B = \{2, 3, 4\}$ .

(b)  $f_2 = \{(1, 3), (2, 4), (3, 3)\}$  from  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$  to  $B = \{2, 3, 4\}$ .

(c)  $f_3(x) = 2x + 3$  from  $A = \mathbb{Q}$  to  $B = \mathbb{Q}$ .

(d)  $f_4(x) = 2x + 3$  from  $A = \mathbb{Z}$  to  $B = \mathbb{Z}$ .

(e)  $f_5(x) = \frac{2x - 1}{x + 3}$  from  $A = \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{-3\}$  to  $B = \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{2\}$ .

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2. In class, we showed that if  $A$  is a finite set and  $f : A \rightarrow A$  is a function, then  $f$  is one-to-one if and only if  $f$  is onto. The goal of this problem is for you to show via example that both implications are FALSE in the situation where  $A$  is an infinite set.

(a) Find an example of a function  $f : \mathbb{Z}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_+$  that is one-to-one but not onto.

(b) Find an example of a function  $f : \mathbb{Z}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_+$  that is onto but not one-to-one.

(c) Find an example of a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that is one-to-one but not onto.

(d) Find an example of a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that is onto but not one-to-one.

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3. Identify whether each of the following sets is (i) finite, (ii) countably infinite, or (iii) uncountably infinite:

(a) The set  $\mathbb{Q}_+$  of positive rational numbers.

(b) The set  $\mathbb{R}$  of real numbers.

(c) The Cartesian product  $\{0, 1\} \times \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$

(d) The Cartesian product  $\{0, 1\} \times \mathbb{Z}$ .

(e) The set of subsets of  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

(f) The Cartesian product  $\emptyset \times \mathbb{Z}$ .

(g) The Cartesian product  $\emptyset \times \mathbb{R}$ .

(h) The set of functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

(i) The Cartesian product  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Q}$ .

(j) The Cartesian product  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{R}$ .

(k) The power set of the power set of the power set of  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ .

(l) The set  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  of irrational numbers.

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**Part II:** Solve the following problems. Justify all answers with rigorous, clear arguments.

4. Suppose  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow A$  are functions.

- (a) Show that if  $f$  is one-to-one and  $f \circ g = i_B$  is the identity on  $B$ , then  $g = f^{-1}$ .
  - (b) Show that if  $f$  is onto and  $g \circ f = i_A$  is the identity on  $A$ , then  $g = f^{-1}$ .
  - (c) Suppose that  $f \circ g = i_B$  but  $g \circ f \neq i_A$ . Show that  $f$  is onto but not one-to-one and  $g$  is one-to-one but not onto.
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5. Let  $p$  be a prime and  $a$  be an integer relatively prime to  $p$ . The goal of this problem is to give another proof that  $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$ .

- (a) If  $S$  is the set of residue classes modulo  $p$ , prove that the function  $f : S \rightarrow S$  given by  $f(\bar{b}) = \bar{a} \cdot \bar{b}$  is a bijection. [Hint:  $\bar{a}$  has a multiplicative inverse  $\bar{a}^{-1}$  modulo  $p$ .]
  - (b) Show that  $\bar{a} \cdot \overline{2a} \cdot \overline{3a} \cdots \overline{(p-1)a} = \overline{1} \cdot \overline{2} \cdot \overline{3} \cdots \overline{p-1}$  modulo  $p$ . [Hint: Use (a) to show that the two products consist of the same terms, merely rearranged.]
  - (c) Prove that  $\bar{a}^{p-1} = \overline{1}$  modulo  $p$ , and deduce that  $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$ .
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6. Suppose  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is a function such that  $f(f(f(n))) = n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

- (a) Show that  $f$  is a bijection.
  - (b) Give an example of such a function  $f$  that is NOT equal to the identity function. (You don't need to give an explicit formula, but at least describe how to find the values of  $f$ .)
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7. The goal of this problem is to give another proof that  $\mathbb{Q}$  is countable. Consider the function  $f : \mathbb{Q}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_+$  defined as follows: for  $a/b \in \mathbb{Q}$  in lowest terms with prime factorizations  $a = p_1^{a_1} p_2^{a_2} \cdots p_k^{a_k}$  and  $b = q_1^{b_1} q_2^{b_2} \cdots q_l^{b_l}$ , set  $f(a/b) = p_1^{2a_1} p_2^{2a_2} \cdots p_k^{2a_k} q_1^{2b_1-1} q_2^{2b_2-1} \cdots q_l^{2b_l-1}$ .

**Example:** Since  $9 = 3^2$  and  $14 = 2^1 \cdot 7^1$ , we have  $f(9/14) = 3^{2 \cdot 2} \cdot 2^{2 \cdot 1 - 1} \cdot 7^{2 \cdot 1 - 1} = 3^4 2^1 7^1$ .

**Example:** Since 1 is the empty product and  $16 = 2^4$ , we have  $f(1/16) = 1 \cdot 2^{2 \cdot 4 - 1} = 2^7$ . Since  $2/32 = 1/16$  we also have  $f(2/32) = 2^7$ .

- (a) Find  $f(7/3)$ ,  $f(3/7)$ ,  $f(40/3)$ ,  $f(80/6)$ ,  $f(3)$ ,  $f(1/3)$ , and  $f(1)$ .
  - (b) Explain why  $f(a/b)$  is a positive integer for every positive rational number  $a/b$ .
  - (c) Show that  $f$  is one-to-one. [Hint: You will need to use the fact that the primes  $p_1, \dots, p_k$  and  $q_1, \dots, q_l$  are all distinct.]
  - (d) Find  $f^{-1}(2^7)$ ,  $f^{-1}(9)$ ,  $f^{-1}(12)$ , and  $f^{-1}(2^4 3^2 5^3 7^3 11^1)$ .
  - (e) Show that  $f$  is onto.
  - (f) Deduce that  $f$  is a bijection and conclude that  $\mathbb{Q}_+$  is countable.
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8. The goal of this problem is to give another proof that the power set of the positive integers  $\mathbb{Z}_+$  is uncountable. Let  $S$  be the set of infinite base-2 sequences  $d_1 d_2 d_3 d_4 \dots$ , where each digit  $d_i \in \{0, 1\}$  for all  $i \geq 1$ .

- (a) Prove that  $S$  is uncountable. [Hint: Use Cantor's diagonal argument.]
  - (b) Show that the function  $f : S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}_+)$  given by  $f(d_1 d_2 d_3 d_4 \dots) = \{n : d_n = 1\}$  is a bijection. Deduce that  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}_+)$  is uncountable.
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