

1. Prove that $\left|[0, 1] \times [0, 1]\right| = \left|[0, 1]\right|$ by explicitly finding a bijection between the sets and proving it is a bijection. [10 pts]

Solution: We'll define a bijection $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$. For each $a \in [0, 1]$ we can write $a = 0.a_1a_2a_3a_4\dots$ where the a_i are the digits. Note that $1 = 0.9999\dots$ and for any other number with multiple representations, like $0.342999\dots = 0.323000\dots$ we use the former representation. Then define

$$f(0.a_1a_2a_3a_4\dots) = (0.a_1a_3a_5\dots, 0.a_2a_4a_6\dots)$$

Proof: We need to check it's a bijection:

- Surjectivity: For $(b, c) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ we represent these with their decimal expansions: $(b, c) = (0.b_1b_2\dots, 0.c_1c_2\dots)$ and then if $a = 0.b_1c_1b_2c_2\dots$ then $a \in [0, 1]$ and $f(a) = (b, c)$ as desired.
- Injective: Suppose $f(a) = f(b)$ meaning $f(0.a_1a_2\dots) = f(0.b_1b_2\dots)$ and so $(0.a_1a_3\dots, 0.a_2a_4\dots) = (0.b_1b_3\dots, 0.b_2b_4\dots)$ and so all the digits match and $a = b$.

QED

2. Let A and B be nonempty sets. Prove that $|A| \leq |A \times B|$. [5 pts]

Proof: Let $b_0 \in B$ be fixed. Observe that $f : A \rightarrow A \times B$ given by $f(a) = (a, b_0)$ is an injection.

QED

3. Find an example of infinite sets A and B with $|A| < |A \times B|$. [5 pts]

Answer: Let $A = \mathbb{Z}$ and $b = \mathbb{R}$.

4. Find bijections between the following sets. You can use pictures or explicit functions as long as your argument is clear. You do not need to prove bijectivity.

- (a) \mathbb{Z} and \mathbb{Q}^+ [10 pts]

Solution: We know we can enumerate the integers by $0, 1, -1, 2, -2, 3, -3, \dots$ and so we match these value in this order with the snake-diagram from class for enumerating \mathbb{Q}^+ .

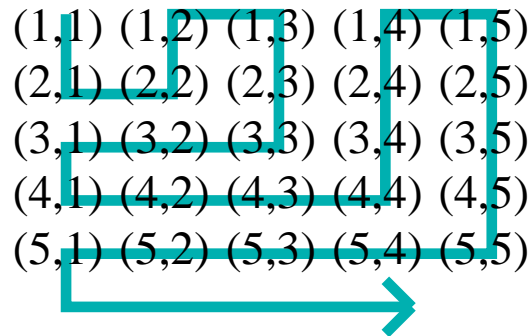
- (b) \mathbb{Q}^+ and \mathbb{Q} [10 pts]

Solution: We know we can enumerate \mathbb{Q}^+ with the snake diagram so we simply start with 0 and then alternate back and forth between positive and negative values from this listing.

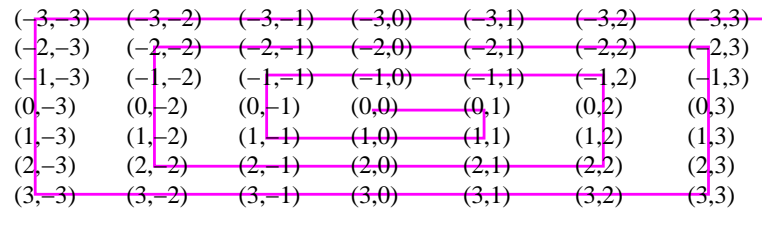
(c) $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ and $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$

[10 pts]

Solution: We saw how to list $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ on the last homework:



And we can do $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ by looping around:



So then what we do is match these together along their orders.

5. Show that $\left\{ \frac{3n+1}{9n-1} \right\}$ converges to $\frac{1}{3}$.

[10 pts]

Idea: Given ϵ we need to show that there is an N so that for $n > N$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{3n+1}{9n-1} - \frac{1}{3} \right| &< \epsilon \\ \left| \frac{3(3n+1) - (9n-1)}{3(9n-1)} \right| &< \epsilon \\ \frac{4}{3(9n-1)} &< \epsilon \\ 9n-1 &> \frac{4}{3\epsilon} \\ n &> \frac{4}{27\epsilon} + \frac{1}{9} \end{aligned}$$

Proof: For $\epsilon > 0$ we define $N = \lceil \frac{4}{27\epsilon} + \frac{1}{9} \rceil$. Then for $n > N$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} n &> \frac{4}{27\epsilon} + \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{4}{3(9n-1)} &< \epsilon \\ \left| \frac{3n+1}{9n-1} - \frac{1}{3} \right| &< \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

\mathcal{QED}

6. Show that $\{(-1)^n n^2\}$ does not converge to 3. [10 pts]

Proof: We proceed by contradiction and assume for any $\epsilon > 0$ there is some $N \in \mathbb{N}$ so that $n > N$ implies $|(-1)^n n^2 - 3| < \epsilon$. For n even and greater than 1 this means $n^2 - 3 < \epsilon$ but for $\epsilon = 1$ we get $n^2 < 4$ which contradicts n even and greater than 1.

QED

7. Show that $\left\{\frac{4n^3+n^2+3n+1}{n^3}\right\}$ converges to 4. [10 pts]

Idea: Given ϵ we need to show that there is an N so that for $n > N$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left|4 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{3}{n^2} + \frac{1}{n^3} - 4\right| &< \epsilon \\ \left|\frac{1}{n} + \frac{3}{n^2} + \frac{1}{n^3}\right| &< \epsilon \\ \frac{1}{n} + \frac{3}{n^2} + \frac{1}{n^3} &< \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

For $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we know that

$$\frac{1}{n} + \frac{3}{n^2} + \frac{1}{n^3} \leq \frac{1}{n} + \frac{3}{n} + \frac{1}{n} = \frac{5}{n}$$

so so provided we get $\frac{5}{n} < \epsilon$ or $n > \frac{5}{\epsilon}$ we're safe.

Proof: for $\epsilon > 0$ we define $N = \lceil \frac{5}{\epsilon} \rceil$. Then for $n > N$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} n &> \frac{5}{\epsilon} \\ \frac{5}{n} &< \epsilon \\ \frac{1}{n} + \frac{3}{n^2} + \frac{1}{n^3} &< \frac{5}{n} < \epsilon \\ \left|4 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{3}{n^2} + \frac{1}{n^3} - 4\right| &< \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

QED

8. Prove that if $\{a_n\}$ is a sequence which converges to a and also to b then $a = b$. [20 pts]
Note: This may seem obvious but the point is to prove it rigorously from the definition.

Idea: If $a \neq b$ we choose an ϵ small enough that a_n cannot be both within ϵ of a and within ϵ of b because a and b are apart from one another.

Proof: We proceed by contradiction and assume that $\{a_n\}$ converges to both a and b with $a \neq b$. Without loss of generality use $b > a$.

By the definition of convergence there is some $N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for $n > N_1$ we have $|a_n - a| < \frac{b-a}{2}$. This is equivalent to $3a - b < 2a_n < a + b$.

Similarly there is some $N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for $n > N_2$ we have $|a_n - b| < \frac{b-a}{2}$. This is equivalent to $a + b < 2a_n < 3b - a$.

So then for n greater than both of these we have both being true but then we would have $a + b < 2a_n < a + b$ which is impossible.

QED