

# LECTURE 8: FINITE CARDINALITY AND INDUCTION

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**Sequences on A:** Ordered list of elements from A.

- Length two sequences  $(a_1, a_2)$ , i.e., pairs, i.e., element of  $A \times A$
- Length  $n$  sequences  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in A \times A \times \dots \times A$

$$A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n = \{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \mid \forall i, a_i \in A_i\}$$

**Bijjective Functions:**

- $f: A \rightarrow B$  is surjective/onto if  $\text{range}(f) = f(A) = B = \text{codomain}(f)$ .
- $f: A \rightarrow B$  is injective/1-to-1 if *distinct* elements get mapped to *distinct* elements.
- A function is bijective if it is injective/1-to-1 and surjective/onto.

**Cardinality (of finite sets):**  $|X|$  = number of elements in  $X$ .

**Example 1.**  $|\emptyset| = 0$   $|\{0, 1, 2, 3\}| = 4$   $|\{\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}\}| = 4$   $|\{0, 1, 1, 2, 2\}| = 3$   
 $|\{0, 1, 2\} \times \{a, b, c\}| = |\text{sequences of length } n \text{ over } \{0, 1, 2\}| = |\underbrace{\{0, 1, 2\} \times \{0, 1, 2\} \times \dots \times \{0, 1, 2\}}_n|$   
 $= |\{(0, a), (0, b), (0, c), \dots\}| = 9$   
 $\forall A, B \text{ s.t. } |A| = n, |B| = m, |A \times B| = mn = 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times \dots \times 3 = 3^n$

**Proposition 1.** The following statements hold for finite sets  $A$  and  $B$ .

1. If there is a surjective function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  then  $|A| \geq |B|$ .
2. If there is a injective function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  then  $|A| \leq |B|$ .
3. If there is a bijective function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  then  $|A| = |B|$ .

$$\begin{array}{l}
 f: A \rightarrow B \quad |A| \geq |\{f(a) \mid a \in A\}| \leq |B| \\
 f \text{ is onto:} \quad |A| \geq |\{f(a) \mid a \in A\}| = |B| \\
 f \text{ is 1-to-1:} \quad |A| = |\{f(a) \mid a \in A\}| \leq |B|
 \end{array}
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 \begin{array}{l}
 f \text{ is bijective:} \\
 |A| = |\{f(a) \mid a \in A\}| = |B|
 \end{array}
 \right.$$

**Proposition 2.** For a set  $A$  such that  $|A| = n$ ,  $|\text{pow}(A)| = 2^n$ .

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{pow}(A) = \{B \mid B \subseteq A\} \quad f: \text{pow}(A) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n \\
 A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\} \quad f(B) = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) \text{ s.t. } b_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } a_i \notin B \\ 1 & \text{if } a_i \in B \end{cases} \\
 A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\} \\
 B = \{1, 4, 5\} \quad f(B) = (0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \quad \text{Claim: } f \text{ is bijective} \\
 \Rightarrow |\text{pow}(A)| = |n \text{ length binary seq}|
 \end{array}$$

**Induction:** To prove  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} P(n) \rightarrow P(0) \text{ AND } P(1) \text{ AND } P(2) \dots$

- Prove  $P(0)$  [Base Case]
- Prove for all  $n > 0$ , if  $P(0)$  AND  $P(1)$  AND  $\dots$  AND  $P(n-1)$  then  $P(n)$  [Induction Step]

0 1 2 3 4 ...

$$0+1+2+\dots+n$$

$$n=0: 0$$

$$n=1: 0+1$$

Proposition 3. Prove for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\rightarrow P(n): \sum_{i=0}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad P(n)$$

Base Case:  $P(0): 0 = \frac{0(0+1)}{2}$  ✓

For any  $n$ .  $P(0)$  AND  $P(1)$  AND  $P(n-1)$  IMPLIES  $P(n)$

Ind Hypothesis:  $\sum_{i=0}^k i = \frac{k(k+1)}{2} \quad \forall k \leq n-1$  ←

To prove  $0+1+2+\dots+n-1+n = \frac{(n+1)n}{2}$       $P(n-1) \equiv 0+1+\dots+n-1 = \frac{(n-1)n}{2}$

LHS:  $0+1+2+\dots+n-1+n$

$$= \frac{(n-1)n}{2} + n \quad (\text{ind hyp})$$

$$= \frac{n(n-1)+2n}{2} = \frac{n(n-1+2)}{2} = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \text{RHS.}$$

Proposition 4. Prove that for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\sum_{i=0}^n i2^i = (n-1)2^{n+1} + 2$ .

**Problem 1.** All horses have the same color.

Proof by induction. Predicate  $P(n)$ : Any set of  $n$ -horses has the same color. To prove:  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n \geq 1$ ,  $P(n)$

Base Case:  $P(1)$ . In any set containing only one horse, all horses (namely the only one) have the same color.

Induction Hypothesis: Assume that  $P(1), P(2), \dots, P(n-1)$  are true.

Induction Step: Consider an arbitrary set  $H$  of  $n+1$  horses.

$$\text{Let } H = \{h_1, h_2, \dots, h_n\}$$

$$\text{Consider } H_1 = \{h_1, h_2, \dots, h_{n-1}\} \text{ and } H_2 = \{h_2, \dots, h_n\}$$

Since  $P(n-1)$  holds, all horses in  $H_1$  have the same color. Also all horses in  $H_2$  have the same color.

So  $\text{color}(h_1) = \text{color}(h_2) = \text{color}(h_3) = \dots = \text{color}(h_n)$ . Hence all horses in  $H$  have the same color.