Discrete Mathematical Structures
CS 3233 Lecture Nine

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Business

- Turn in homework 5
- Recall
  - Homework 6 is due **Tuesday** 10/2
    - Section 2.2: 2, 6, 10, 20, 26a
    - Section 2.3: 4, 10, 14, 16, 38
  - **Midterm 1** will be in class Thursday 10/4 per syllabus
  - Class and recitation Tuesday 10/2 will be devoted entirely to answering your questions, reviewing material, and going over homework problems
  - I will post a **mock exam** by this weekend

Introduction to Functions

- Given sets A and B, a *function from* A *to* B is an assignment of exactly one element of B to each element of A
- For a ∈ A, we write f(a) = b if b ∈ B is the unique element associated with a by f
- We write f : A → B to indicate that f is a function from A to B
  - A → B is called the *type* of f

Function Graphs

- This is a different usage of “graph” than either of these:
  - The plot of f(x) on the Cartesian plane
  - A set of nodes and a set of edges
- Definition
  - Given a function f : A → B, the *graph* of f is the set of ordered pairs {(a,b) | a ∈ A and b = f(a)}
- Given two sets, A and B, A *binary relation* r between A and B is a subset of AxB
- Formally speaking, a function **<u>is</u>** its graph
  - Thus, f is a subset of A x B in which each element of A occurs exactly once

Terminology

- Let f : A → B
  - We say f *maps* A to B
  - A is the *domain* of f
  - B is the *codomain* of f
  - If f(a) = b,
    - b is the *image* of a and
    - a is the *pre-image* of b
  - If S ⊆ A, the *image* of S is {f(s) | s ∈ S} and is denoted by f(S)
  - f(A) = {f(a) | a ∈ A} is called the *range* of f

Examples

- Successor function
  - s : N → N
  - s(n) = n+1
- Floor
  - floor : R → Z
  - floor(x) = greatest integer less than x
- Square root
  - √ : R → C
  - The square root of a real is a complex number
- Truth assignment
  - σ : $\mathcal{V}$ → {true, false}

Injections and Surjections

- f : A → B is *one-to-one*, or *injective*, if and only if f(x) = f(y) implies x = y for all x, y ∈ A
  - $f : A \overset{1\text{-}1}{\to} B$
  - ∀x∀y.f(x) = f(y) → x = y
  - Equivalently, ∀x∀y.x ≠ y → f(x) ≠ f(y)
  - f is called an *injection*
- f : A → B is *onto,* or *surjective*, if and only if for every b ∈ B, there is an a ∈ A such that f(a) = b
  - f is *a function of* A *onto* B
  - $f : A \overset{\text{onto}}{\to} B$
  - ∀y∃x(f(x) = y)
  - f is called a *surjection*

More Examples

- Injective and/or surjective?
  - Square
    - f : Z → Z
    - $f(x) = x^2$
  - Double
    - twice : Z → Z
    - twice(x) = 2x
  - Absolute value
    - |·| : Z → N
    - $|x| = \begin{cases} x \text{ if } 0 \leq x; \\ -x, \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$

Still More Examples

- Injective and/or surjective?
  - Integer successor
    - zs : Z → Z
    - zs(n) = n+1
  - Mapping of 32-bit words to Z
  - Successor in Z_3 = {0, 1, 2}
    - s(0) = 1
    - s(1) = 2
    - s(2) = 0

Bijections

- If f : A → B is injective and surjective, it is *bijective*
  - f is called a *one-to-one correspondence,* or a *bijection*

Compositions

- Definition
  - Given g : A → B and f : B → C, the composition of f and g, f∘g : A → C, is defined by f∘g(a) = f(g(a))
  - Note that no special properties of f and g are required for f∘g to be defined.
    - For instance, f and g need not be injective, surjective, or bijective
    - However, if f and g have special properties, it often follows that f∘g special properties as well
    - Study hint: think through these relationships

Function Inverses

- Theorem: Given $f : A \overset{\text{1-1, onto}}{\to} B$, every b ∈ B has a unique pre-image a ∈ A
- This justifies the following definition: Given $f : A \overset{\text{1-1, onto}}{\to} B$
  - f^{-1} : B → A is the *inverse* of f
  - $f^{-1}(b)$ = a iff f(a) = b

Bijections and cardinality

- Sets A and B are *equinumerous* (meaning they have the same cardinality) iff there is a one-to-one correspondence between them
  - Notice that this defines a binary relation over sets
  - Contains the ordered pairs of sets between which there exists a one-to-one correspondence
- Pretty clear for finite sets

Equinumerous Infinite Sets

- N and Z have the same cardinality
  - $f : N \to Z$
  - $f(n) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } n = 0 \\ n/2, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ -(n-1)/2, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$
  - Note, f is a bijection
    - Use case analysis to show f is injective based on whether x and y are odd or even
- Show N and Z^+ are equinumerous

Countability

- Definition
  - A set A is *countable* if it is finite or it is equinumerous to Z^+
  - Otherwise, A is *uncountable*
- Theorem: Q^+, the set of positive rationals, is countable

Uncountability of the Reals

- Theorem
  - R, the set of real numbers, is uncountable
- Proof
  - Uses Georg Cantor's *diagonalization argument*
  - Outline
    - Assume for contradiction that there is a one-to-one correspondence, f, between N and the real interval [0,1]
    - Use f to construct a real in [0,1] that has no preimage under f
    - Idea: for each decimal place, n, in the representation of the constructed value, choose a decimal different from the n^{th} place of f(n)
    - The fact that the constructed value differs from each value assumed by f shows that f is not onto, giving the desired contradiction

Conclusion

- So the cardinalities of N, Z, and Q are all the same
- But the cardinality of R is different