

CPSC 421/501: Start Ch 1 (regular languages) of Sip on Wednesday

- 2 or 3 more paradoxes/theorems

- Countably infinite and uncountable sets

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There is no surjection $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \text{Power}(\mathbb{N})$

$$\{1,2,3\} \rightarrow \text{Power}(\{1,2,3\})$$

$$A^* \rightarrow \text{Power}(A^*)$$

If there is a surjection $S \rightarrow T$ then " $|S| \geq |T|$ "

If there is an injection $S \rightarrow T$ then " $|S| \leq |T|$ "

⑤ Russell's Paradox: "Let S be the set of all sets that do not contain themselves." Serious problem; a lot of people worked to fix this. Problem: Does S contain itself???

① If $S \in S$ then S is a set that does not contain itself,
i.e. $S \notin S$

② If $S \notin S$ then $S \in S$.

Can a set really ever contain itself, can $\{1,2,3\} \in \{1,2,3\}$???
 $\{\{1,2,3\}\}$??

Usual idea: probably all sets, S , don't contain themselves.

Russell's Paradox: "Let S be the set of all sets that do not contain themselves." Serious problem; a lot of people worked to } Should be all sets.

Remedy: "All sets" is a class (something that is bigger than a set)

} Needed to be solved

Remark: We think of injections, bijections

$$\text{bijection } f: \underbrace{\{a, b, c\}}_S \rightarrow \underbrace{\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}}_T$$

$$a \mapsto \alpha$$

$$b \mapsto \beta$$

$$c \mapsto \gamma$$

$$\leadsto \text{bijection } S^* \leftrightarrow T^*$$

$$\text{bijection } \text{Power}(S^*) \leftrightarrow \text{Power}(T^*)$$

However, all we really need are surjections.

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Gödel Incompleteness: Say "you can build" a sentence S that "means" "there is no proof that S is true" = S

① If S is true: there is no proof that S is true. "incomplete"

② " " " false: there is a proof that S is true "inconsistent"

assume this doesn't happen

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⑦ Halting problem: self-reference & negation, but it turns into a theorem.

Countably infinite & Uncountable:

{ Algorithms } (all the ones in [Sip]) is countable

{ Decision problem } (" " " " ") is uncountable

Tods:

① If S is countable, and there is a bijection $S \rightarrow T$, then T is countable.

Proof: S is countable, hence there is a surjection $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow S$.

Then $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow S \rightarrow T$ gives surjection $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow T$.

①' What if we have a surjection $S \rightarrow T$ and S is countable? Then

$\mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{\text{surj}} S \xrightarrow{\text{surj}} T$ gives $\mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{\text{must be a surjection}} T$

Convenient to notice: the compositions of 2 surjections

is a surjection. (Worked out)

Homework 1: The composition of 2 injections is an injection

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If A is an alphabet, then A^* is countably infinite.

Proof 1: E.g. $A = \{a, b, c\}$,

$A^* = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \epsilon, \quad a, b, c, \quad aa, ab, ac, \dots, cc, \dots \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \quad \uparrow \uparrow \\ \mathbb{N} \quad 1 \quad 2 \ 3 \ 4 \quad 5 \ 6 \ \dots \end{array} \right\}$

Proof 2: Associate to $aabacaccb$ $\begin{array}{l} a \leftrightarrow 1 \\ b \leftrightarrow 2 \\ c \leftrightarrow 3 \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{cccccccc} & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 3 & 2 \\ \downarrow & & & & & & & & \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 11 & 13 & 17 & 19 & 23 \end{array}$

Gives $\{1,2,3\}^* \xrightarrow[\text{injective}]{}$ \mathbb{N} should exist surjection

$\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{1,2,3\}^*$

Since $A^* \xleftrightarrow{\text{bijection}} \mathbb{N}$ then

$\text{Power}(A^*) \xleftrightarrow{\text{bijection}} \text{Power}(\mathbb{N}) \leftarrow \text{uncountable}$

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$\text{Power}(\mathbb{N}) = \text{PRIMES, EVEN, ODD, DIVISIBLE_BY_2}$

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$\{1,2,3\} \rightarrow \text{Power}(\{1,2,3\}) : 1 \in f(1), 2 \in f(2), 3 \in f(3)$