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We verify the statement ‘ \_\_\_\_\_ (I) \_\_\_\_\_ ’:

\_\_\_\_\_ (II) \_\_\_\_\_. Note that  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Also note that \_\_\_\_\_ (III) \_\_\_\_\_ =  $0 \leq 0 =$  \_\_\_\_\_ (IV) \_\_\_\_\_. Therefore ‘ $x_0 - x_0 > x_0 \cdot x_0$ ’ is false.

Hence \_\_\_\_\_ (V) \_\_\_\_\_.

It follows that  $S$  is not reflexive.

- [We verify that  $S$  is not symmetric.]

We verify the statement ‘ \_\_\_\_\_ (VI) \_\_\_\_\_ ’:

Take \_\_\_\_\_ (VII) \_\_\_\_\_. Note that  $x_0, y_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Note that  $x_0 - y_0 =$  \_\_\_\_\_ (VIII) \_\_\_\_\_ =  $x_0 y_0$ . Then \_\_\_\_\_ (IX) \_\_\_\_\_.

Also note that  $y_0 - x_0 = -1 \leq 0 = y_0 x_0$ . Then ‘ \_\_\_\_\_ (X) \_\_\_\_\_ ’ is false.

Therefore  $(y_0, x_0) \notin G$ .

Hence for the same  $x_0, y_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ , \_\_\_\_\_ (XI) \_\_\_\_\_ simultaneously.

It follows that  $S$  is not symmetric.

- [We verify that  $S$  is not transitive.]

We verify the statement ‘ \_\_\_\_\_ (XII) \_\_\_\_\_ ’:

Take  $x_0 = -2, y_0 = 3,$  \_\_\_\_\_ (XIII) \_\_\_\_\_. Note that  $x_0, y_0, z_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Note that \_\_\_\_\_ (XIV) \_\_\_\_\_. Then  $(x_0, y_0) \in G$ .

Also note that  $y_0 - z_0 = 5 > -6 = y_0 z_0$ . Then \_\_\_\_\_ (XV) \_\_\_\_\_.

Finally, note that \_\_\_\_\_ (XVI) \_\_\_\_\_. Then ‘ $x_0 - z_0 > x_0 z_0$ ’ is false.

Therefore \_\_\_\_\_ (XVII) \_\_\_\_\_.

Hence for the same  $x_0, y_0, z_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ , \_\_\_\_\_ (XVIII) \_\_\_\_\_ simultaneously.

It follows that  $S$  is not transitive.

4. You are not required to justify your answer in this question.

Let  $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ .

Which of the sets below are partitions of  $A$ ? Which not?

$$\Omega = \{\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}\},$$

$$\Xi = \{\{0\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}, \{5\}, \{6\}, \{7\}, \{8\}, \{9\}\},$$

$$\Sigma = \{\{0, 1\}, \{2, 3, 4, 5, 5\}, \{7, 8, 9\}\},$$

$$\Upsilon = \{\{0, 1\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{4, 5, 6\}, \{6\}, \{7, 8, 9\}\},$$

$$\Pi = \{\{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\}, \{0, 2, 4, 6, 8\}\},$$

$$\Upsilon = \{\{0, 1\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}, \{4, 3, 2\}\},$$

$$\Gamma = \{\emptyset, \{0, 2\}, \{1, 3, 5\}, \{4, 6, 8\}, \{7, 9\}\},$$

$$\Delta = \{\{0, 1\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}\}.$$

5. You are not required to justify your answer in this question.

Let  $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ , and  $\Omega$  be the partition of  $A$  given by  $\Omega = \{\{0\}, \{1, 3, 5\}, \{2, 4\}\}$ .

Write down all the elements of the graph  $E_\Omega$  of the equivalence relation  $R_\Omega$  in  $A$  induced by the partition  $\Omega$ .

6. Define the relation  $S = (\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C}, F)$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  by  $F = \{(\zeta, \xi) \in \mathbb{C}^2 : \zeta^2 - \xi^2 = ai \text{ for some } a \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

- Verify that  $S$  is reflexive.
- Verify that  $S$  is symmetric.
- Verify that  $S$  is an equivalence relation in  $\mathbb{C}$ .



We verify the statement ‘ \_\_\_\_\_ (I) \_\_\_\_\_ ’.

Pick any  $p, q, r \in \mathbb{N}^2$ . Suppose  $(p, q) \in J$  and  $(q, r) \in J$ .

\* (Case 1.) \_\_\_\_\_ (II) \_\_\_\_\_. Then  $(p, r) = (q, r) \in J$ .

\* (Case 2.) Suppose  $q = r$ . Then \_\_\_\_\_ (III) \_\_\_\_\_.

\* (Case 3.) Suppose \_\_\_\_\_ (IV) \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ (V) \_\_\_\_\_.

Since \_\_\_\_\_ (VI) \_\_\_\_\_, we have  $s < u$  or  $(s = u$  and  $t \leq v)$ .

Since  $p \neq q$ , ‘ $s = u$  and  $t = v$ ’ is \_\_\_\_\_ (VII) \_\_\_\_\_.

Then we have  $s < u$  \_\_\_\_\_ (VIII) \_\_\_\_\_ ( $s = u$  \_\_\_\_\_ (IX) \_\_\_\_\_  $t < v$ ).

Since \_\_\_\_\_ (X) \_\_\_\_\_, we can also deduce that \_\_\_\_\_ (XI) \_\_\_\_\_, by modifying the argument above.

Now we have  $[s < u$  or  $(s = u$  and  $t < v)]$  and  $[u < w$  or  $(u = w$  and  $v < x)]$ .

★ (Case 3a.) Suppose  $s < u$  and  $u < w$ . Then \_\_\_\_\_ (XII) \_\_\_\_\_. Therefore  $s < w$  or  $(s = w$  and  $t < x)$ .

★ (Case 3b.) \_\_\_\_\_ (XIII) \_\_\_\_\_. Then  $s < u = w$ . Therefore  $s < w$  or  $(s = w$  and  $t < x)$ .

★ (Case 3c.) \_\_\_\_\_ (XIV) \_\_\_\_\_. Then  $s = u < w$ . Therefore  $s < w$  or  $(s = w$  and  $t < x)$ .

★ (Case 3d.) \_\_\_\_\_ (XV) \_\_\_\_\_. Then  $s = u = w$  and  $t < v < x$ . Therefore  $s < w$  or  $(s = w$  and  $t < x)$ .

Then in any case  $s < w$  or  $(s = w$  and  $t < x)$ . Hence \_\_\_\_\_ (XVI) \_\_\_\_\_.

Hence in any case,  $(p, r) \in J$ .

It follows that  $T$  is transitive.

- (d) Fill in the blanks in the block below, all labelled by capital-letter Roman numerals, with appropriate words so that it gives a proof for the statement ‘ $T$  is strongly connected’. (The ‘underline’ for each blank bears no definite relation with the length of the answer for that blank.)

We verify the statement ‘ \_\_\_\_\_ (I) \_\_\_\_\_ ’.

\_\_\_\_\_ (II) \_\_\_\_\_.

There exist some  $s, t, u, v \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $p = (s, t)$  and  $q = (u, v)$ .

We have  $s < u$  or  $s = u$  or  $s > u$ .

\* (Case 1.) Suppose  $s < u$ . Then \_\_\_\_\_ (III) \_\_\_\_\_. Therefore  $(p, q) \in J$ .

\* (Case 2.) \_\_\_\_\_ (IV) \_\_\_\_\_. We have  $t \leq v$  \_\_\_\_\_ (V) \_\_\_\_\_  $v \leq t$ .

★ (Case 2a.) \_\_\_\_\_ (VI) \_\_\_\_\_. Then  $s = u$  and  $t \leq v$ . Therefore  $s < u$  or  $(s = u$  and  $t \leq v)$ . Hence  $(p, q) \in J$ .

★ (Case 2b.) \_\_\_\_\_ (VII) \_\_\_\_\_. Then  $u = s$  and  $v \leq t$ . Therefore  $u < s$  or  $(u = s$  and  $v \leq t)$ . Hence \_\_\_\_\_ (VIII) \_\_\_\_\_.

\* (Case 3.) \_\_\_\_\_ (IX) \_\_\_\_\_. Then \_\_\_\_\_ (X) \_\_\_\_\_. Therefore \_\_\_\_\_ (XI) \_\_\_\_\_.

Hence in any case, \_\_\_\_\_ (XII) \_\_\_\_\_.

It follows that  $T$  is strongly connected.

9. Define the relation  $R = (\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}, P)$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  by  $P = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \text{There exists some } n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } y = 2^n x\}$ .

- (a) Verify that  $R$  is a partial ordering in  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- (b) Is  $R$  a total ordering in  $\mathbb{R}$ ? Why?
- (c) Is  $R$  an equivalence relation in  $\mathbb{R}$ ? Why?
10. Let  $R = (\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}, G)$  be the relation in  $\mathbb{R}$  defined by  $G = \{(x, y) \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } y \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } |y - x| \leq 1\}$ .
- (a) Verify that  $R$  is reflexive.
- (b) Is  $R$  symmetric? Justify your answer.
- (c) Is  $R$  anti-symmetric? Justify your answer.
- (d) Is  $R$  transitive? Justify your answer.
- (e) Is  $R$  an equivalence relation in  $\mathbb{R}$ ? Is  $R$  a partial ordering in  $\mathbb{R}$ ? Or neither? Why?
11. Let  $A = \{\varphi \mid \varphi : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is a function and } \varphi(0) = 0.\}$ . Define the relation  $R = (A, A, H)$  in  $A$  by  $H = \{(\varphi, \psi) \in A^2 : \varphi(n+1) - \varphi(n) \leq \psi(n+1) - \psi(n) \text{ for any } n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .
- (a) Verify that  $R$  is reflexive.
- (b) Verify that  $R$  is transitive.
- (c) Is  $R$  a partial ordering in  $A$ ? Justify your answer.
- (d) Is  $R$  an equivalence relation in  $A$ ? Justify your answer.
12. Define the relation  $R = (\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}, G)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}$  by  $G = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 : \text{There exist some } m, n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } y = mx + n.\}$ .
- (a) Verify that  $R$  is reflexive.
- (b) Verify that  $R$  is transitive.
- (c) Verify that  $R$  is not a partial ordering in  $\mathbb{Z}$ .
- (d) Is  $R$  an equivalence relation in  $\mathbb{Z}$ ? Justify your answer.

13. Let  $J = [0, 1)$ ,  $K = (0, 1]$ .

Define  $H = \{(x, y) \mid x \in J \text{ and } y \in K \text{ and } x + y = 1\}$ , and  $h = (J, K, H)$ . Note that  $H \subset J \times K$ .

Fill in the blanks in the block below, all labelled by capital-letter Roman numerals, with appropriate words so that it gives a proof for the statement ' $J$  is of cardinality equal to  $K$ '. (The 'underline' for each blank bears no definite relation with the length of the answer for that blank.)

We verify the statement (E): 'for any  $x \in J$ , \_\_\_\_\_ (I) \_\_\_\_\_'.

Pick any \_\_\_\_\_ (II) \_\_\_\_\_. Take \_\_\_\_\_ (III) \_\_\_\_\_. By definition, we have  $x + y = x + (1 - x) = 1$ .

Since \_\_\_\_\_ (IV) \_\_\_\_\_, we have  $0 \leq x < 1$ .

Since  $x \geq 0$ , we have \_\_\_\_\_ (V) \_\_\_\_\_.

Since  $x < 1$ , we have \_\_\_\_\_ (VI) \_\_\_\_\_.

Then  $0 < y \leq 1$ . Therefore \_\_\_\_\_ (VII) \_\_\_\_\_.

Hence \_\_\_\_\_ (VIII) \_\_\_\_\_.

We verify the statement (U): 'for any  $x \in J$ , for any  $y, z \in K$ , \_\_\_\_\_ (IX) \_\_\_\_\_'.

\_\_\_\_\_ (X) \_\_\_\_\_. Suppose \_\_\_\_\_ (XI) \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ (XII) \_\_\_\_\_, we have  $x + y = 1$ . Then  $y = 1 - x$ .

Since  $(x, z) \in H$ , we have \_\_\_\_\_ (XIII) \_\_\_\_\_. Then \_\_\_\_\_ (XIV) \_\_\_\_\_.

Therefore \_\_\_\_\_ (XV) \_\_\_\_\_.

We verify the statement (S): '\_\_\_\_\_ (XVI) \_\_\_\_\_ such that \_\_\_\_\_ (XVII) \_\_\_\_\_'.

\_\_\_\_\_ (XVIII) \_\_\_\_\_. Take  $x = 1 - y$ . By definition, we have  $x + y = (1 - y) + y = 1$ .

Since  $y \in K$ , we have \_\_\_\_\_ (XIX) \_\_\_\_\_.

Since \_\_\_\_\_ (XX) \_\_\_\_\_, we have  $x = 1 - y < 1 - 0 = 1$ .

Since  $y \leq 1$ , we have \_\_\_\_\_ (XXI) \_\_\_\_\_.

Then  $0 \leq x < 1$ . Therefore  $x \in J$ .

Hence \_\_\_\_\_ (XXII) \_\_\_\_\_.

We verify the statement (I): '\_\_\_\_\_ (XXIII) \_\_\_\_\_ if  $(x, y) \in H$  and  $(w, y) \in H$  \_\_\_\_\_ (XXIV) \_\_\_\_\_'.

Pick any  $x, w \in J, y \in K$ . \_\_\_\_\_ (XXV) \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ (XXVI) \_\_\_\_\_, we have  $x + y = 1$ . Then  $x = 1 - y$ .

Since  $(w, y) \in H$ , we have \_\_\_\_\_ (XXVII) \_\_\_\_\_. Then  $w = 1 - y$ .

Therefore \_\_\_\_\_ (XXVIII) \_\_\_\_\_.

By (E), (U), \_\_\_\_\_ (XXIX) \_\_\_\_\_. By (S), \_\_\_\_\_ (XXX) \_\_\_\_\_. By (I), \_\_\_\_\_ (XXXI) \_\_\_\_\_.

Hence  $h$  is a bijective function from  $J$  to  $K$  with graph  $H$ .

It follows that \_\_\_\_\_ (XXXII) \_\_\_\_\_.

14. Let  $J = [0, 1)$ ,  $L = (0, 1)$ ,  $M = [0, +\infty)$ ,  $N = (0, +\infty)$ .

(a) By writing down appropriate bijective functions, verify that  $J \sim M$  and  $L \sim N$ .

(b) By writing down an appropriate bijective function, verify that  $L \sim \mathbb{R}$ .

15. Let  $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ ,  $H = \{w \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im}(w) > 0\}$ .

Define  $F = \left\{ (z, w) \mid z \in D \text{ and } w \in H \text{ and } w = \frac{z + i}{iz + 1} \right\}$ , and  $f = (D, H, F)$ . Note that  $F \subset D \times H$ .

- (a) Is  $f$  a function? Justify your answer.  
 (b) Is it true that  $D \sim H$ ? Justify your answer.
16. Let  $I = (0, +\infty)$ ,  $J = [-1, 1]$ .
- (a) Prove that  $\frac{1}{a+1} \in J$  for any  $a \in I$ .  
 (b) Define the function  $g : I \rightarrow J$  by  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$  for any  $x \in I$ . Is  $g$  injective? Justify your answer.  
 (c) Apply the Schröder-Bernstein Theorem to prove that  $I \sim J$ .
17. Let  $A = [-1, 1]$ ,  $B = (-4, -2] \cup [2, 4)$ .
- (a) Name one injective function from  $A$  to  $B$ , if there is any at all, and verify that it is indeed an injective function from  $A$  to  $B$ .  
 (b) Apply the Schröder-Bernstein Theorem, or otherwise, to prove that  $A$  is of cardinality equal to  $B$ .
18.  $\diamond$  Let  $A = [1010, 1050] \setminus \{1030\}$  and  $B = (2040, 2050) \cup ([2060, +\infty) \cap \mathbb{Q})$ .
- (a) Name one injective function from  $A$  to  $B$ , if there is any at all, and verify that it is indeed an injective function from  $A$  to  $B$ .  
 (b) Apply the Schröder-Bernstein Theorem to prove that  $A \sim B$ .
19. Let  $A, B, C$  be sets. Prove the statements below:
- (a)  $A \sim A$ .  
 (b) Suppose  $A \sim B$ . Then  $B \sim A$ .  
 (c) Suppose  $A \sim B$  and  $B \sim C$ . Then  $A \sim C$ .  
 (d)  $A \lesssim A$ .  
 (e) Suppose  $A \lesssim B$  and  $B \lesssim C$ . Then  $A \lesssim C$ .
20. (a) Let  $A, B, C, D$  be sets, and  $f : A \rightarrow C$ ,  $g : B \rightarrow D$  be functions. Define the function  $f \times g : A \times B \rightarrow C \times D$  by  $(f \times g)(x, y) = (f(x), g(y))$  for any  $x \in A$ , for any  $y \in B$ .
- i. Suppose  $f, g$  are surjective. Verify that  $f \times g$  is surjective.  
 ii. Suppose  $f, g$  are injective. Verify that  $f \times g$  is injective.  
 iii. Suppose  $f, g$  are bijective. Verify that  $f \times g$  is bijective.
- (b) Let  $A, B, C, D$  be sets. Suppose  $A \sim C$  and  $B \sim D$ . Prove that  $A \times B \sim C \times D$ .
- Remark.** Hence the statement below holds:  
 Let  $A, B$  be sets. Suppose  $A \sim B$ . Then  $A^2 \sim B^2$ .
21. Let  $A$  be a non-empty set. Define the function  $\chi : \mathfrak{P}(A) \rightarrow \text{Map}(A, \{0, 1\})$  by  $\chi(S) = \chi_S^A$  for any  $S \in \mathfrak{P}(A)$ . Here, for any subset  $S$  of  $A$ ,  $\chi_S^A : A \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is the characteristic function of  $S$  in  $A$ , defined by
- $$\chi_S^A(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in S, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in A \setminus S. \end{cases}$$
- (a)  $\clubsuit$  Verify that  $\chi$  is surjective.  
 (b)  $\clubsuit$  Verify that  $\chi$  is injective.  
 (c) Is it true that  $\mathfrak{P}(A) \sim \text{Map}(A, \{0, 1\})$ ? Justify your answer.
22. Define the functions  $\sigma, \tau : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  by  $\sigma(n) = 2n$ ,  $\tau(n) = 2n + 1$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $B$  be a non-empty set. Define the function  $f : \text{Map}(\mathbb{N}, B) \rightarrow (\text{Map}(\mathbb{N}, B))^2$  by  $f(\varphi) = (\varphi \circ \sigma, \varphi \circ \tau)$  for any  $\varphi \in \text{Map}(\mathbb{N}, B)$ .
- (a)  $\clubsuit$  Verify that  $f$  is surjective.  
 (b)  $\clubsuit$  Verify that  $f$  is injective.  
 (c) Is it true that  $\text{Map}(\mathbb{N}, B) \sim (\text{Map}(\mathbb{N}, B))^2$ ? Justify your answer.
23.  $\spadesuit$  In this question, we are going to give another proof for Cantor's Theorem on the power set of any given set.
- (a) Let  $A$  be a set, and  $f : A \rightarrow \mathfrak{P}(A)$  be a function. Define  $C_f = \{x \in A : x \notin f(x)\}$ . (Note that  $C_f \in \mathfrak{P}(A)$ .)
- i. Dis-prove the statement 'there exists some  $z \in A$  such that  $f(z) = C_f$ '.  
 ii. Hence deduce that  $f$  is not surjective.
- Remark.** The set  $C_f$  is called **Cantor's diagonal set for the function  $f$** .
- (b) Apply the above results to prove Cantor's Theorem on the power set of any given set.