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Order-Preserving Bijections

CMSC 250

\mathbb{N} , \mathbb{Z} : the Same, or Different?

1. There is a bijection from \mathbb{N} to \mathbb{Z} : so same size. (AS SETS)
2. But they seem different (as ordered sets)
3. How to pin down the difference?

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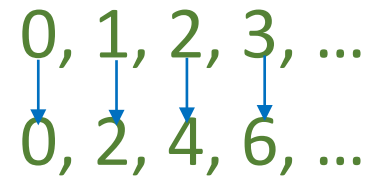
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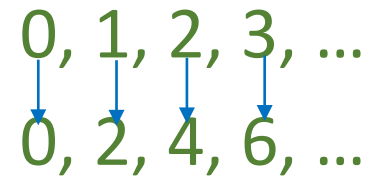
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- Other sets with OPBs: \mathbb{N} , \mathbb{N}^{odd} , $\mathbb{N}^{\equiv (0 \text{ mod } 3)}$, $\mathbb{N}^{\equiv i \text{ (mod } j)}$, $\mathbb{N}^{\geq 17}$, ...

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- Note: $A \preceq B$ is read “A is **less than or equal** to B” with the understanding that it applies to A, B ordered sets.

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- Let $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ map to $\frac{y_1+y_2}{2}$
- $(0 < 1) \Rightarrow (f(0) < f(1)) \Rightarrow (y_1 < y_2)$, since f is an OPB.
- $y_1 < \frac{y_1+y_2}{2} < y_2$ since $\frac{y_1+y_2}{2}$ arithmetic mean of y_1, y_2
- Henceforth, $0 < x < 1$
- Contradiction, since $x \in \mathbb{Z}$
- So there is no OPB from \mathbb{Z} to \mathbb{Q} .

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 - Note that we now have:

$$\mathbb{N} < \mathbb{Z} < \mathbb{Q}$$

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- While \mathbb{Z} is:

$$\dots < -3 < -2 < -1 < 0 < 1 < 2 < 3 < \dots$$

- To say that $\mathbb{N} + \mathbb{N} \prec \mathbb{Z}$ would be equivalent to saying that there exists an OPI from $\mathbb{N} + \mathbb{N}$ to \mathbb{Z} .

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$$\mathbb{Z} \not\leq \mathbb{N} + \mathbb{N}$$

- It is also the case that \mathbb{Z} cannot be injected (with a preserved ordering) into $\mathbb{N} + \mathbb{N}$
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- Suppose $f(-3) = 0$. Then, what would $f(-4)$ be?
 - Since f is **order-preserving**, there **is no such element** in $\omega + \omega$!
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- We leave the proofs of both $\mathbb{N} + \mathbb{N} \preceq \mathbb{Q}$ and $\mathbb{N} + \mathbb{N} \succeq \mathbb{Q}$ to you.

Take-Home Message

- Orders **can be non-comparable.**
- Cardinalities are **always comparable.**

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