

$$\underline{\underline{\overline{a}}} = \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \sim a \}$$

$$\underline{\underline{0 \leq a < 1}}$$

$$\overline{3.2} = \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \sim 3.2 \}$$

$\uparrow$                        $\nwarrow$   
 $5.2$                        $7.2$

$$\overline{4.1}$$

$$x = n + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ 0.2}}{a}$$

### 3.3 One-one correspondence and the cardinality of a set

Set Theory

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$|A| = 3$$

$$A = (0, 1) \quad B = (2, 5)$$

$$|A| = ? \quad |B| = ?$$

$$\underline{|A| = |B|}$$

Definition :- The cardinality of a set  $A$  is the number of elements in the set  $A$  and is denoted by  $|A|$ .

one-one correspondence  $\Leftrightarrow$  A function  $f$  that is bijective.  
i.e. both one-one and onto.

Definition :- Sets  $A$  and  $B$  have the same cardinality iff  $A$  and  $B$  has a one-one correspondence between them.

i.e. we can find a bijective function  
 $f: A \rightarrow B$ .

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{ \dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots \}$$

$$2\mathbb{Z} = \{ \dots, -4, -2, 0, 2, 4, 6, \dots \}$$

$\mathbb{Z}$  and  $2\mathbb{Z}$  have the same cardinality.

$$f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 2\mathbb{Z}$$

$$f(n) = 2n$$

One-one

$$\text{let } f(n_1) = f(n_2) \quad , n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$2n_1 = 2n_2$$

$$n_1 = n_2$$

$\therefore f$  is one-one.

onto

$$\text{let } y \in 2\mathbb{Z}$$

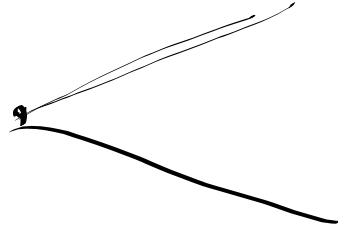
$$\Rightarrow y = 2n \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{y}{2} \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\therefore f\left(\frac{y}{2}\right) = y$$

Hence  $f$  is onto.

$\therefore f$  is bijective and hence  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $2\mathbb{Z}$  have the same cardinality.



Check for well-defined function.

$$\text{let } x_1 = x_2$$

Find out if  $\underbrace{f(x_1)} = \underbrace{f(x_2)}$

$$\text{let } n_1 = n_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(n_1) &= 2n_1 \\ &= 2n_2 = f(n_2) \end{aligned} \quad f(n_2) = 2n_2$$

∴  $f$  is well-defined.

Proposition :- Any two open intervals  
in  $\mathbb{R}$  have the same cardinality.

i.e.  $(a, b)$  and  $(c, d)$  have the same  
cardinality.

$$f: (0, 1) \rightarrow (4, 8)$$

$$f(0) = 4$$

$$f(1) = 8$$

$$f(x) = kx + l$$

$$f(0) = k \cdot 0 + l = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow l = 4$$

$$f(1) = k \cdot 1 + l$$

$$\Rightarrow k + 4 = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 4$$

$$\therefore f(x) = 4x + 4$$

$k, l$  have  
to be found  
out

$$f: (0, 1) \rightarrow (4, 8)$$

$$f(x) = 4x + 4$$

One-one Let  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ ,  $x_1, x_2 \in (0, 1)$   
 $4x_1 + 4 = 4x_2 + 4$   
 $x_1 = x_2$

$\therefore f$  is one-one

Onto Let  $y \in (4, 8)$

$$4x + 4 = y$$

$$x = \frac{y-4}{4} \in (0, 1)$$

$$4 \leq y \leq 8$$

$$0 \leq y-4 \leq 4$$

$$0 \leq \frac{y-4}{4} \leq 1$$

$$0 \leq x \leq 1$$

$$\therefore f\left(\frac{y-4}{4}\right) = y$$

$\therefore f$  is onto.

Hence,  $(0, 1)$  and  $(4, 8)$   
have the same cardinality.

Q Show that  $(0,1)$  and  $(a,\infty)$   
has the same cardinality for any  
 $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

A  $0 \rightarrow a$   
 $1 \rightarrow \infty$

$$\begin{array}{l|l}
 f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x} - 1 + a & g(x) = \frac{a}{1-x} \\
 \text{One-one Let } f(x_1) = f(x_2) & \text{One-one Let } g(x_1) = g(x_2) \\
 \frac{1}{1-x_1} - 1 + a = \frac{1}{1-x_2} - 1 + a & \frac{a}{1-x_1} = \frac{a}{1-x_2} \\
 1-x_2 = 1-x_1 & \\
 x_1 = x_2 & \\
 \therefore f \text{ is one-one.} & \begin{array}{l} a \neq 0 \\ \text{then} \\ g \text{ is one-one.} \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

Onto: Let  $y \in (a, \infty)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{1-x} - 1 + a &= y \\
 \frac{1}{1-x} &= y + 1 - a \\
 1-x &= \frac{1}{y+1-a} \\
 x &= 1 - \frac{1}{y+1-a} \in (0,1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l}
 a \leq y \leq \infty \\
 1 \leq y+1-a \leq \infty \\
 \frac{1}{1} \geq \frac{1}{y+1-a} \geq 0 \\
 -1 \leq -\frac{1}{y+1-a} \leq 0 \\
 0 \leq 1 - \frac{1}{y+1-a} \leq 1
 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l}
 1 \leq 3 \leq 5 \\
 1 \leq \frac{1}{3} \leq \frac{1}{5} \\
 \text{Hence } f\left(1 - \frac{1}{y+1-a}\right) = y \\
 \therefore f \text{ is onto.}
 \end{array}$$

Definition :- A set  $A$  is countably  
infinite or countable if  $f$

$|A| = |\mathbb{N}|$ . A set that is not countable  
is uncountable.

Standard Notation  
 $|\mathbb{N}| = \aleph_0$  (aleph naught)

$\mathbb{Z}$  is countable

$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2} & \text{if } n \text{ even} \\ -(\frac{n-1}{2}) & \text{if } n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$\mathbb{Z}: 0, 1, -1, 2, -2, 3, -3, \dots$   
 $\mathbb{N}: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, \dots$

$\mathbb{Q}$  are countable

$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  Quite hard

| $a \backslash b$ | 1             | 2             | 3             | 4             | 5             |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1                | $\frac{1}{1}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{3}$ | $\frac{1}{4}$ | $\frac{1}{5}$ |
| 2                | $\frac{2}{1}$ | $\frac{2}{2}$ | $\frac{2}{3}$ | $\frac{2}{4}$ | $\frac{2}{5}$ |
| 3                | $\frac{3}{1}$ | $\frac{3}{2}$ | $\frac{3}{3}$ | $\frac{3}{4}$ | $\frac{3}{5}$ |
| 4                | $\frac{4}{1}$ | $\frac{4}{2}$ | $\frac{4}{3}$ | $\frac{4}{4}$ | $\frac{4}{5}$ |
| 5                | $\frac{5}{1}$ | $\frac{5}{2}$ | $\frac{5}{3}$ | $\frac{5}{4}$ | $\frac{5}{5}$ |

$$|\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}| = \aleph_0$$

$$|\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}| = |\mathbb{Q}|$$