

COL 352 Lecture 3 Jan 3

Finite alphabet (set of symbols) Σ

Strings : a sequence of symbols from Σ of finite length

$s \in \Sigma^*$ ϵ : string of length 0

Language $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$

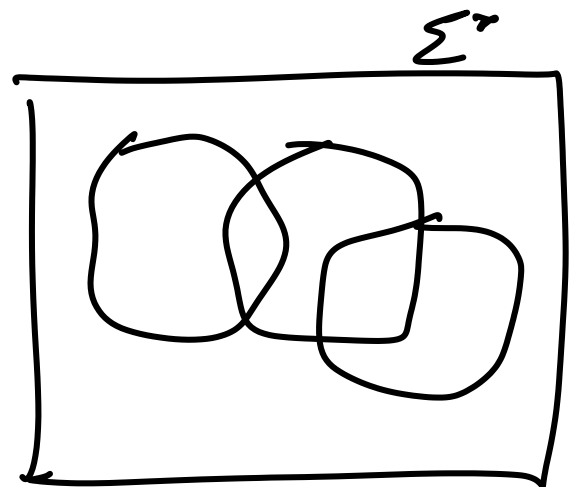
$$\chi_L(w) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } w \in L \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Characteristic function for membership problem in L

languages 2^{Σ^*}

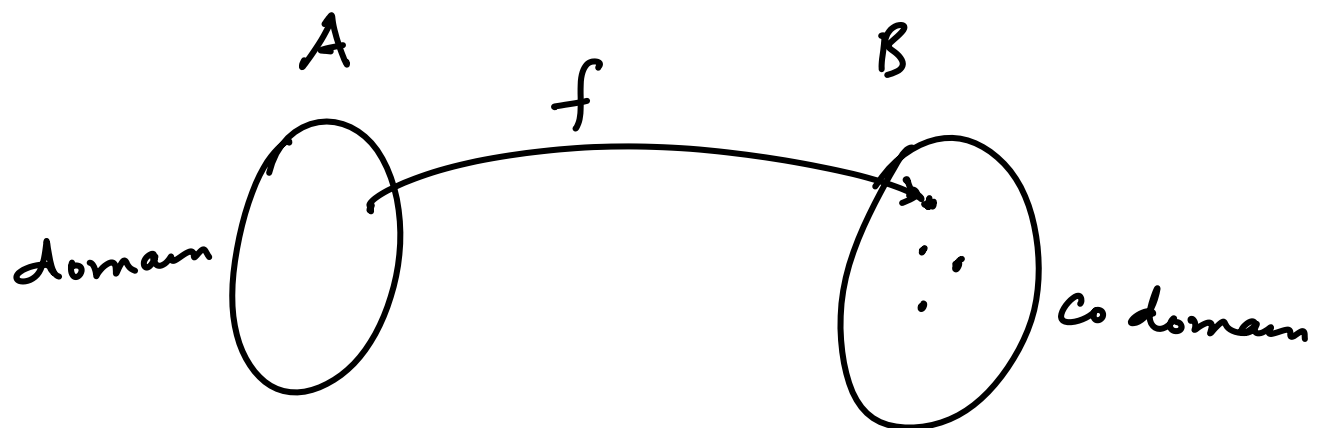
programs $\sim \Sigma^*$

Classes of languages



Hierarchy of languages
using increasing resources for its recognition

Chomsky hierarchy



f is 1:1 (into)

f is 1:1 and onto : bijection

When sets are finite we can
compare their cardinalities by the
no. of elements in sets

How do we compare cardinalities of
infinite sets

When we can define a bijection
between two infinite sets, then we
conclude that they have same cardinality

\Rightarrow # even integers = \mathbb{Z}
 # odd integers = \mathbb{Z}

$$f_E(i) \longleftrightarrow 2i$$

$$\mathbb{Z}^* \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

strings of length 1, strings of length 2,
 ... - strings of length i
 ordering



1.

$$\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} = \{ a, b \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

$$(1, 3) \quad (5, 20) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\mathbb{Z} \longleftrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$$

	0	1	2	3	...
0	(0,0)	(0,1)	(0,2)	(0,3)	
1	(1,0)	(1,1)	(1,2)	(1,3)	
2	(2,0)				
3					
					i, j

\mathbb{Z}^+

$\mathbb{Z}^- \cup \mathbb{Z}^+$

Countable: all these infinite sets that have a bijection with \mathbb{Z}

"Countable union of countable sets is countable"

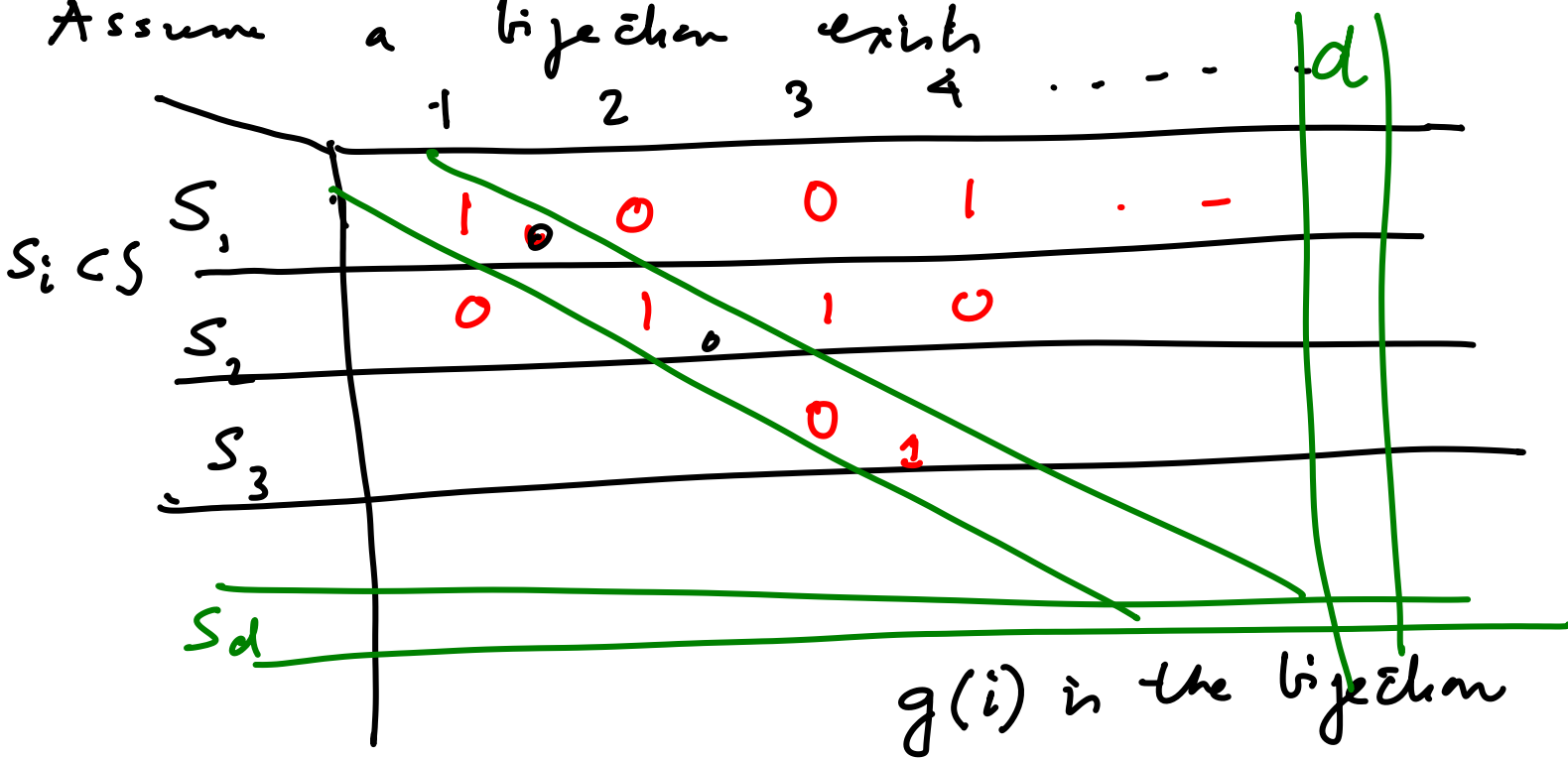
"Reals are not equinumerous with Integers" Cantor's diagonalization

There cannot be a bijection between a set S and its powerset 2^S

Case 1 : S is finite - trivial
 $i < 2^i$ for $i \geq 1$

Proof by contradiction for Infinite sets

Assume a bijection exists



$$S_d = \{ x \mid x \notin g^{-1}(x) \}$$

Question : $d \in S_d$?

$d \in S_d$
 \Rightarrow according to
defn $d \notin S_d$

$d \notin S_d$
 \Rightarrow according to
defn $d \in S_d$

Diagonalization proof

Math Induction	Complete Induction
$\forall i \ P(i) \text{ is true}$	
$P(0) \wedge \forall i \ (P(i) \Rightarrow P(i+1))$	$P(0) \wedge \forall i \left[\left(\bigwedge_{j \leq i} P(j) \right) \Rightarrow P(i+1) \right]$

