Set Theory, Infinite Games, and Strong Axioms

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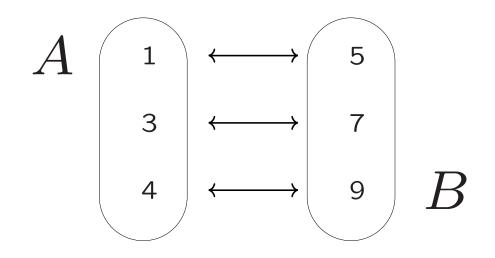
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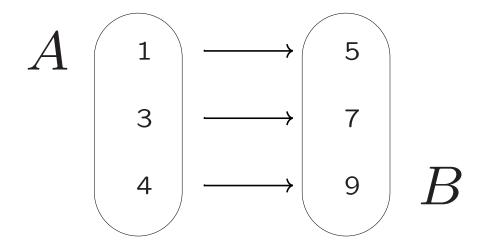
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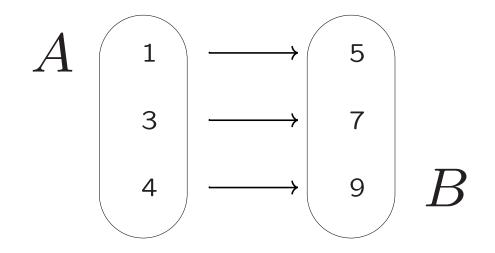
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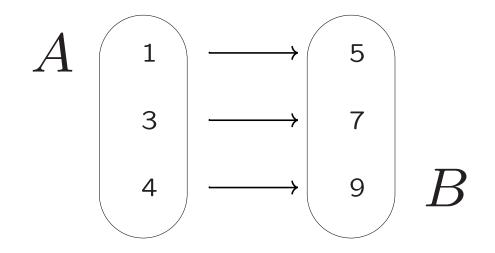
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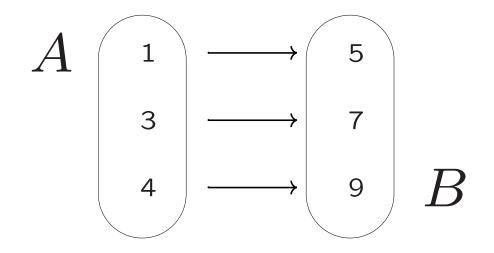


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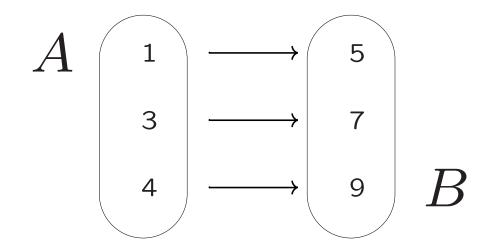
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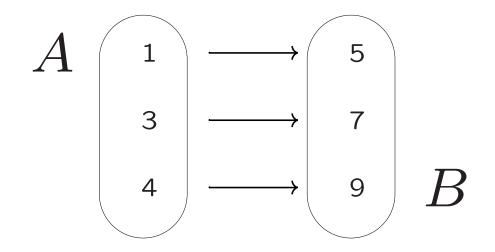
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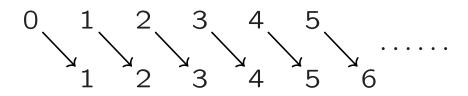
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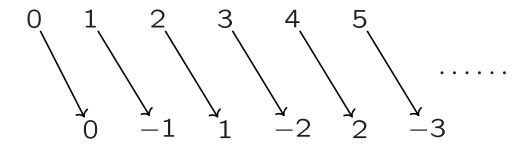
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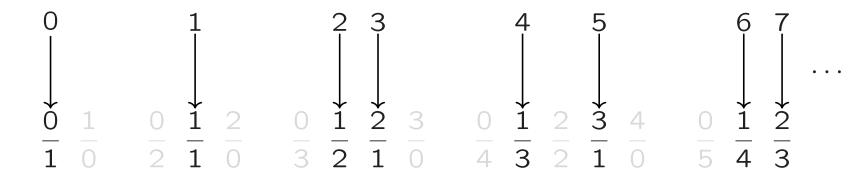
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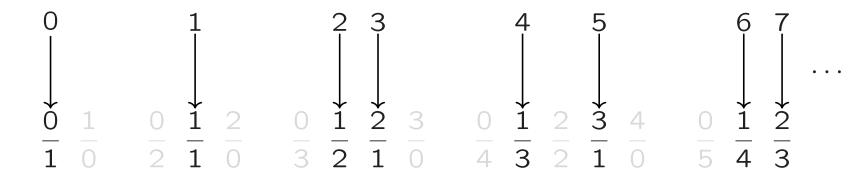
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Theorem (Cantor, 1873). \mathbb{R} and \mathbb{N} are *not* of the same size.

Proof. Suppose for contradiction that $\mathbb{R} \approx \mathbb{N}$.

Then there is a function $f \colon \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{R}$, so that f is one-to-one and *onto*.

Let [0, 1] denote the interval $\{x \mid 0 \le x \le 1\}$.

Define $g(x) = f(x) - \lfloor f(x) \rfloor$.

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