

• If  $X$  is an infinite set, then  $\exists$  1-1 map from  $X$  to  $X$  which is not onto.

PF First: we build a sequence  $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  of distinct elts of  $X$ .  
 (We do this by induction.)

①  $X \neq \emptyset$  since  $X$  is infinite.  $\therefore \exists x \in X$ .

let  $a_1 = x$ . This defines  $a_1, \forall i < 1, a_i \neq a_1$ .

② let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  & assume  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1}$  have been

defined  $\forall i < n-1, a_i \neq a_j \forall n, j < i$ . (this means all the  $a_i$  are distinct)

let  $A_{n-1} = \{a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}\}$ . This set is finite  $\therefore X \setminus A_{n-1} \neq \emptyset$  since

$X$  is infinite.  $\therefore \exists x \in X \setminus A_{n-1}$ . let  $a_n = x$ . This defines  $a_n, \forall i < n, a_n \neq a_i$ .

Hence  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term  $a_n$  is defined & the terms  $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$  are distinct.

Second: construct a function  $g: X \rightarrow X$  that is 1-1 but not onto.

For  $x \in X$ , define  $g(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } \forall n, x \neq a_n \\ a_{n+1} & \text{if } x = a_n \end{cases}$  I claim  $g$  is 1-1:

Suppose  $x, y \in X; g(x) = g(y)$ . Case 1:  $x \neq a_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ :

Then  $x = g(x) = g(y)$ . If  $y = a_n$  then  $g(y) = a_{n+1} = x \Rightarrow$  contradiction

$\therefore y \neq a_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow g(y) = y \therefore y = x$ . Case 2:  $x = a_n$  for some

$n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $a_{n+1} = g(a_n) = g(y)$ . Clearly  $\exists i$  s.t.  $y = a_i$  (otherwise we get contradiction).  $\therefore g(y) = g(a_i) = a_{i+1} = a_{n+1}$ .

② But the  $a_i$ 's are distinct by construction!  
 $\therefore$  we have a contradiction: only case 1 holds  
which implies  $g$  is injective.

Claim:  $g$  is not onto:

Suppose  $\exists x \in X$  s.t.  $g(x) = a_1$ .  $x$  is either equal to  
some  $a_i$  for some  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  or not. If  $x = a_i$  then  
 $g(a_i) = a_{i+1} = a_1$ . Since  $a_i$  are distinct,  $i$  cannot be  
less than 1. This is a contradiction.  $\therefore \forall n \in \mathbb{N} x \neq a_n$ .

$\therefore g(x) = x$  by definition of  $g$  which implies  $x = g(x) = a_1$

$\therefore x = a_1 \Rightarrow$  contradiction! Hence no such  $x$  exists

$\therefore g$  not onto.  $\square$

• Claim: If  $X$  is a set, there is no onto map from  $X$  to  $\mathcal{P}(X)$ .

PF (by contradiction) Assume  $\exists f: X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$  s.t.  $f$  is onto.

By def. of powerset  $f$  assigns an element  $x \in X$  to a  
subset  $f(x) \subseteq X$ .

Let  $S = \{x \in X \mid x \notin f(x)\}$ . remember  $f(x)$   
is a subset of  $X$

$S$  is clearly a subset of  $X$ .  $f$  is onto.  $\therefore \exists y \in X$  s.t.

$f(y) = S$ . Now  $y \in S$  or  $y \notin S$ . If  $y \in S$ , then  $y \notin f(y)$

by def. of  $S$ . But  $f(y) = S \Rightarrow$  contradiction. If  $y \notin S$

then  $y \notin f(y)$   $\therefore$  by def of  $S$   $y \in S = f(y) \Rightarrow$  contradiction.

$\therefore f$   
cannot be  
onto  $\square$