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**Exercise 1.** Let  $A, B$  be two finite sets such that  $|A| = n$  and  $|B| = m$ .

- (1) Using Mathematical Induction on  $n$ , show that the number of functions from  $A$  into  $B$  is  $m^n$ .

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- (2) Deduce from (1), that the number of subsets of  $A$  is  $2^n$  (assign to each subset  $S$  of  $A$  its characteristic function  $\chi_S$ )

- (3) Show that the number of subsets of  $A$  of size  $p \leq n$  is  $\binom{n}{p}$  (use induction on  $n$ ).

**Exercise 2.** Let  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  be the function defined by  $f(n) = \frac{(-1)^n(2n-1)+1}{4}$ . Show that  $f$  is a bijection.

**Exercise 3.** We define

$$\begin{aligned} g : \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} &\longrightarrow \mathbb{N} \\ (m, n) &\longmapsto 2^{m-1}(2n - 1) \end{aligned}$$

Show that  $g$  is a bijection.

**Exercise 4** (Construction of  $\mathbb{Z}$ ). Let  $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  be the set of all natural numbers. We define the relation  $R$  on the cartesian product  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  by:

$$(x, y)R(a, b) \iff x + b = y + a.$$

(i) Show that  $R$  is an equivalence relation.

(ii) If  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$ , then we denote by  $\overline{(x, y)}$  the equivalence class of  $(x, y)$  with respect to the equivalence relation  $R$ . Define the addition  $\oplus$  on the quotient set  $\mathcal{Z} := (\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N})/R$  by:

$$\overline{(x, y)} \oplus \overline{(a, b)} = \overline{(x + a, y + b)},$$

and the multiplication  $\otimes$  by:

$$\overline{(x, y)} \otimes \overline{(a, b)} = \overline{(xa + yb, xb + ya)}.$$

For  $x \in \mathbb{N}$ , we denote by  $[-x] = \overline{(0, x)}$  and  $[x] = \overline{(x, 0)}$ .

- Explain why  $[-x] \oplus [-y] = [-(x + y)]$ ?
- Explain why  $[-x] \otimes [-y] = [xy]$ ?



(iii) Show that

$$\mathcal{Z} = \{[-x] : x \in \mathbb{N}\} \cup \{[x] : x \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

(iv) We define the relation  $\preceq$  on  $\mathcal{Z}$  by:

$$\overline{(x, y)} \preceq \overline{(a, b)} \iff \text{there exists } k \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } y + a = x + b + k.$$

Show that  $\preceq$  is a total ordering on  $\mathcal{Z}$  and that we have

$$\dots \preceq [-3] \preceq [-2] \preceq [-1] \preceq [0] \preceq [1] \preceq [2] \preceq [3] \preceq \dots$$

(v) Show that if  $\overline{(c, d)} \in \mathcal{Z}$  and  $\overline{(a, b)} \preceq \overline{(x, y)}$ , then

$$\overline{(c, d)} \oplus \overline{(a, b)} \preceq \overline{(c, d)} \oplus \overline{(x, y)}.$$

(vi) Show that if  $[0] \preceq \overline{(c, d)}$  and  $\overline{(a, b)} \preceq \overline{(x, y)}$ , then  
$$\overline{(c, d)} \otimes \overline{(a, b)} \preceq \overline{(c, d)} \otimes \overline{(x, y)}.$$

(vii) Show that if  $\overline{(c, d)} \preceq [0]$  and  $\overline{(a, b)} \preceq \overline{(x, y)}$ , then

$$\overline{(c, d)} \otimes \overline{(x, y)} \preceq \overline{(c, d)} \otimes \overline{(a, b)}.$$