

1. [True or False]

- (a)  The set of all irrational numbers  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  (i.e. real numbers that are not rational) is uncountable.
- (b)  The set of integers  $x$  that solve the equation  $3x \equiv 2 \pmod{10}$  is countably infinite.
- (c)  The set of real solutions for the equation  $x + y = 1$  is countable.

For any two functions  $f : Y \rightarrow Z$  and  $g : X \rightarrow Y$ , let their composition  $f \circ g : X \rightarrow Z$  be given by  $f \circ g = f(g(x))$  for all  $x \in X$ . Determine if the following statements are true or false.

- (d)   $f$  and  $g$  are injective (one-to-one)  $\implies f \circ g$  is injective (one-to-one).
- (e)   $f$  is surjective (onto)  $\implies f \circ g$  is surjective (onto).

2. Consider an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  where the diagonal consists of alternating 1's and 0's starting from 1, i.e.  $A[0,0] = 1, A[1,1] = 0, A[2,2] = 1$ , etc. Describe an  $n$  length vector from  $\{0, 1\}^n$  that is not equal to any row in the matrix  $A$ . (Note that the all ones vector or the all zeros vector of length  $n$  could each be rows in the matrix.)

3. Find the precise error in the following proof:

**False Claim:** The set of rationals  $r$  such that  $0 \leq r \leq 1$  is uncountable.

**Proof:** Suppose towards a contradiction that there is a bijection  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}[0,1]$ , where  $\mathbb{Q}[0,1]$  denotes the rationals in  $[0,1]$ . This allows us to list all the rationals between 0 and 1, with the  $j$ -th element of the list being  $f(j)$ . Suppose we represent each of these rationals by their non-terminating expansion (for example,  $0.4999\dots$  rather than  $0.5$ ). Let  $d_j$  denote the  $j$ -th digit of  $f(j)$ . We define a new number  $e$ , whose  $j$ -th digit  $e_j$  is equal to  $(d_j + 2) \pmod{10}$ . We claim that  $e$  does not occur in our list of rationals between 0 and 1. This is because  $e$  cannot be equal to  $f(j)$  for any  $j$ , since it differs from  $f(j)$  in the  $j$ -th digit by more than 1. Contradiction. Therefore the set of rationals between 0 and 1 is uncountable.