EES 315: In-Class Exercise # 3

Instructions

- 1. Work alone or in a group of no more than three students. For group work, the group cannot be the same as any of your former groups in this class.
- 2. [ENRE] Explanation is not required for this exercise.
- 3. Only one submission is needed for each group.
- 4 You have two choices for submission:
 - (a) Online submission via Google Classroom
 - PDF only. ٠
 - Only for those who can directly work on the posted files using devices with pen input. •
 - ٠ Paper size should be the same as the posted file.
 - No scanned work, photos, or screen capture.
 - Your file name should start with the 10-digit student ID of one member.
 - (You may add the IDs of other members, exercise #, or other information as well.)
 - (b) Hardcopy submission
- 5. Do not panic.

[ENRE] Let

A =the interval $[-\pi, \pi],$

B = the set of all real-valued x satisfying $\cos(x) = -x^2 - \pi$,

C = the set of all real-valued x satisfying cos(x) < 0, and

D = the set of all positive integers that are divisible by 3.

For each of the sets provided in the first column of the table below, indicate (by putting a Y(es) or an N(o) in each corresponding cell) whether it is "finite", "infinite", "countably infinite", "uncountable".

	Finite	Infinite	Countably Infinite	Uncountable
Α	Ν	Y	Ν	Y
В	Y	Ν	Ν	N
С	Ν	Y	N	Y
D	Ν	Y	Y	N
[-1,1] ∩ [2,3]	Y	Ν	N	N

First, we find the "key" type of each given set. (Figure 4 from the lecture notes is copied below.)

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- Any interval with positive length is an <u>uncountable</u> set. Therefore, *A* is uncountable.
- We know that $x^2 \ge 0$. So, $-x^2 \pi \le -\pi$. Now, $-\pi < -1$. However, $\cos(x) \ge -1$. Therefore, the function " $-x^2 \pi$ " and the function " $\cos(x)$ " will never intersect. Hence, $B = \emptyset$ which is <u>finite</u>.
- For set *C*, one can try to make a lousy plot of cos(x) and locate the *x* values that give cos(x) < 0. This is shown below:



Observe that these x values correspond to a union of intervals all of which have positive length. Therefore, C is <u>uncountable</u>.

- D = {3,6,9,...} is <u>countably infinite</u> because its members can be listed in the form a₁, a₂, a₃,... by setting a_k = 3k.
- $[-1,1] \cap [2,3] = \emptyset$ which is <u>finite</u>.

	Finite	Infinite	Countably Infinite	Uncountable
A				Y
В	Y			
С				Y
D			Y	
[-1,1] ∩ [2,3]	Y			

Then, we can apply the following reasoning:

- Any <u>uncountable</u> set is infinite. Any infinite set is not finite. Furthermore, any uncountable set is, by definition, not countable and therefore cannot be countably infinite.
 - So, the answers for the corresponding row are N Y N Y.
- Any <u>finite</u> set cannot be infinite, countably infinite, nor uncountable. So, the answers for the corresponding row are <u>Y</u> N N N.
- Any <u>countably infinite</u> set is, by definition, infinite and hence not finite.
 Furthermore, any countably infinite set is, by definition, countable and hence not uncountable.
 So, the answers for the corresponding row are N Y Y N.