

# Why $\mathbb{P}(\mathbb{N})$ is uncountable

Proof by contradiction.

If  $\mathbb{P}(\mathbb{N})$  is countable, then there is a bijection between  $\mathbb{P}(\mathbb{N})$  and  $\mathbb{N}$ , and so we can list these sets  $A_0, A_1, A_2, \dots$

We will write down these sets in a matrix format with entries 0 and 1, where  $A_i$  is represented by  $i^{\text{th}}$  row.

Hence,  $M[i, j] = 1$  if and only if  $j \in A_i$ .