Theorem

For any a < b, and any c < d, the intervals (a, b), [a, b], (c, d), [c, d] all have the same cardinality.

• We can check that the linear map

$$f(x) = \frac{d-c}{b-a}x + \frac{bc-ad}{b-a}$$

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maps $a \rightarrow c$ and $b \rightarrow d$.

- Since the coefficient of the linear term is nonzero, it is a bijection.
- This shows that |[a, b]| = |[c, d]|
- Use previous slide's idea to show that |[a, b]| = |(a, b)|, etc.