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Defines fixed set

Let A be a set, and $T: A \to A$ a transformation of that set. We say that $x \in A$ is fixed by T, or that T fixes x, whenever

$$T(x) = x$$
.

The subset of fixed elements is called the fixed set of T, and is frequently denoted as A^T .

We say that a subset $B\subset A$ is fixed by T whenever all elements of B are fixed by T, i.e.

$$B \subset A^T$$
.

If this is so, T restricts to the identity transformation on B.

The definition generalizes readily to a family of transformations with common domain

$$T_i: A \to A, \quad i \in I$$

In this case we say that a subset $B \subset A$ is fixed, if it is fixed by all the elements of the family, i.e. whenever

$$B \subset \bigcap_{i \in I} A^{T_i}.$$