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A Souslin scheme is a method of representing and defining analytic sets on a paved space (X, \mathcal{F}) . Let \mathcal{S} be the collection of finite sequences of positive integers. That is \mathcal{S} is the disjoint union of \mathbb{N}^n for $n = 1, 2, \ldots$

A Souslin scheme on \mathcal{F} is a collection $(A_s)_{s\in\mathcal{S}}$ of sets in \mathcal{F} . If $\mathcal{N}=\mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$ is Baire space then, for any $s\in\mathcal{N}$ and $n\in\mathbb{N}$, we write $s|_n\equiv(s_1,\ldots,s_n)$ for the restriction of s to $\{1,\ldots,n\}$. So, $s|_n\in\mathbb{N}^n$.

The result of the Souslin scheme (A_s) is defined to be

$$A = \bigcup_{s \in \mathcal{N}} \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_{s|_n}.$$

The set S can be partially ordered as follows. Say that $s \leq t$ if $s \in \mathbb{N}^r$ and $t \in \mathbb{N}^s$ for $r \leq s$, and $s_k = t_k$ for $k = 1, \ldots, r$. The scheme (A_s) is said to be regular if $A_s \supseteq A_t$ for all $s \leq t$.

It can be shown that the result of a Souslin scheme is \mathcal{F} -analytic and, conversely, any analytic set is the result of some scheme (see equivalent definitions of analytic sets).

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