

## Axioms of Set Theory

### (i) Axiom of union:

for all set  $S$ , there exists a set  $A$  such that  $\forall s \in S : s \in A$

### (ii) Axiom of pairing:

for all set  $A, B$ , there exists a set  $C$  such that  $C = \{A, B\}$

### (iii) Axiom of infinity

there exists a set  $A$  such that  $\emptyset \in A$  and  $\forall a \in A : a \cup \{a\} \in A$

### (iv) Axiom of comprehension

Let  $P(a)$  be a property of  $a \in A$ , where  $A$  is a set. then there exists a set  $B$  such that  $B = \{a \in A : P(a)\}$

### (v) Axiom of powerset

for set  $A$ ,  
 $P(A) := \{S : S \subseteq A\}$  is a set

### (vi) Axiom of Extensionality

Let  $A, B$  be sets  
 $\forall a, b \in A : (a \in A \Leftrightarrow a \in B) \Rightarrow A = B$

## Induction

### (i) A set $P$ is inductive if $\emptyset \in P$ and

$$P \in P \Rightarrow S(p) = p \cup \{p\} \in P$$

### (ii) A set $T$ is transitive if $t \in T \Rightarrow \forall x \in t (x \in T)$

Note:  $\forall x \in w : x$  is transitive.

### (iii) Given set $X, Y$ . A relation $R$ on $X$ is $R \subseteq X \times Y$

A partial order on  $X$  is a relation  $R \subseteq X \times X$

such that  $R$  is transitive, irreflexive and antisymmetric. (strict, no equality involved)

$R$  is a linear order if  $\forall x, y \in X$  either  $x R y$  or  $x = y$  or  $y R x$ .

(iv) Say sets  $A, B$  equinumerous if there is a bijective function  $f: A \rightarrow B$ .

Say  $A$  finite if  $\exists n \in \omega$  such that  $A \cong n$ .

Lemma. Let  $n \in \omega$ . If  $A \subseteq n$  then  $A \cong n$

Corollary. Let  $x$  be finite. If  $y \subseteq x$  then  $y \cong x$

Corollary.  $\omega$  is infinite

AFSOC finite, then bijection  $S(x) = x \cup \{x\}$

$S: \omega \rightarrow \omega / \{\emptyset\}$ . So  $\omega$  not finite.

Lemma. If  $X$  is a set and  $\exists$  injective  $f: \omega \rightarrow X$  then  $X$  is infinite

Define  $g: X \rightarrow X / f(\phi) : x \mapsto x, \text{ if } x \notin f(\omega)$   
 $\mapsto f(S(x)), \text{ otherwise}$

$g$  bijection.  $X / f(\phi) \subseteq X \Rightarrow X$  infinite.

### Well orders

(i)  $<$  is a well ordering if  $\forall Y \subseteq X, Y \neq \emptyset, \exists y_0 \in Y$

such that  $\forall y \in Y (y = y_0 \text{ or } y_0 < y)$

(minimum element)

$\hookrightarrow (\omega, \in)$  is a well order

(ii) well orders  $\Rightarrow$  inductive

Suppose  $(\omega, \in)$  well ordered and

$\exists w \text{ s.t. } \phi \in B \wedge \forall n \in \omega \exists c_n \in B \wedge c_n \in B$   
then  $B = \omega$ .

Take away: can perform induction on well-ordered set

Suppose  $X$  well ordered.  $P \subseteq X$  such that

$\forall x \in X \left( \text{if } \forall y < x (y \in P) \text{ then } x \in P \right)$

then  $P = X$ . (Principles of weak induction)

(iii) Let  $(A, \leq^A), (B, \leq^B)$  be linearly ordered sets. Then a map  $f$  is order-preserving

iff  $\forall a_1, a_2 \in A, a_1 \leq^A a_2 \Rightarrow f(a_1) \leq^B f(a_2)$

$\hookrightarrow$  order preserving  $\Rightarrow$  injective

$\hookrightarrow$  if  $(A, \leq)$  well-ordered,  $f: A \rightarrow B$  order preserving  
then  $f(a) \geq a, \forall a \in A$

$\hookrightarrow A, B$  isomorphic if there exists order-preserving bijection  $F: A \rightarrow B$

(iv)  $I \subseteq A$  is an initial segment on  $(A, \leq)$  if

$\forall i \in I (\forall a \in A : (a < i \Rightarrow a \in I))$

$\hookrightarrow$  If  $F: A \rightarrow A$  order-preserving and  $\text{Im}(F)$  is an initial segment of  $A$  then  $F = \text{id}$

$\hookrightarrow$  If  $F: A \rightarrow A$  order-preserving and surjective  
then  $F = \text{id}$

$\hookrightarrow$  Corollary:  $(A, \leq)$  well ordered, then  $A$  is not isomorphic to any proper initial segment.

## Replacement

### i) Frankel's Axiom of replacement

Suppose  $\phi(x, y)$  a property,  $A$  a set and  $\forall a \in A$

$\exists! y$  such that  $\phi(x, y)$  holds. Then there is

a set  $B$  such that  $b \in B \Leftrightarrow \exists a \in A (\phi(a, b))$

### ii) recursive definition

Given a well order  $(A, <)$  and some property

$\phi(x, y, f)$  such that  $\forall x, f, \exists! y (\phi(x, y, f))$

Then there exists a function  $F$  with domain

$A$  such that  $\forall x \in A: F(x, F(x), \overset{\text{initial segment}}{F[A_x]})$  holds

### iii) Application (comparability of well orders)

<sup>not proved</sup> Given  $(A, \overset{A}{<})$ ,  $(B, \overset{B}{<})$  well-ordered sets,

(exactly) one of the following holds

a)  $A, B$  are isomorphic

b)  $A$  isomorphic to an initial segment of  $B$

c)  $B$  isomorphic to an initial segment of  $A$

## Ordinals

### (i) An ordinal is a well-ordered set $(\alpha, \in)$

which is transitive ( $x \in y \wedge y \in \alpha \Rightarrow x \in \alpha$ )

(Motivation: natural number is not long enough)

(ii)  $\hookrightarrow$   $x$  an ordinal,  $y \in x$  then  $y$  is an ordinal

Proof. well ordered because  $\forall z \in y : y \in z \Rightarrow z \in x$

so  $y \subseteq x \Rightarrow y$  well ordered with  $\in$

Transitive?

Let  $z \in y$ ,  $m \in z$ . By linear order:

either  $m = y \Rightarrow z \in y$  and  $y \in z \Leftrightarrow$

or  $y \in m \Rightarrow y \in m \in z \in y \Rightarrow y \in y \Leftrightarrow$

Thus it must be  $m \in y$ .

$\hookleftarrow$   $(A, \in)$  a well ordered set. Then it is isomorphic to a unique ordinal.

**Claim.**  $(\omega, \in)$  is a linearly ordered set

**Proof.** (i)  $\in$  is a partial order on  $\omega$

① irreflexive

Proof by induction

Assume  $x \in x$ . NTS  $S(x) \in S(x)$

AFSOC  $S(x) \in x \cup \{x\}$

if  $S(x) \in x$ , then  $x \cup \{x\} \in x$

$\Rightarrow x \in x \cup \{x\} \in x \Rightarrow x \in x$ , contradiction

if  $S(x) \in \{x\}$  then  $x \cup \{x\} = x$

$\Rightarrow \{x\} = \emptyset \Rightarrow$  contradiction

② antisymmetric

AFSOC  $S(S(x)) \in S(x)$

then  $S(x) \cup \{S(x)\} \in S(x)$

$S(x) \in S(x) \cup \{S(x)\} \in S(x) \Rightarrow S(x) \in S(x)$

contradiction  $\square$

③ transitive

By definition of successor function

$S(x) = x \cup \{x\}$

So  $\forall y \in x : y \in S(x)$

(ii)  $\forall x, y \in \omega : x = y \text{ or } x \in y \text{ or } y \in x$

Proof. by induction on  $\omega$

Suppose  $\forall x \in y$ , either  $S(x) = y$  or

$S(x) \in y^+$

NTS true  $\nvdash x \in S(y)$

$$x \in y \cup \{y\}$$

if  $x = y$ , then  $S(x) = S(y)$

else  $x \in y$ , then  $S(x) \in y \in S(y)$

**claim.**  $x \in w$ ,  $y \not\subseteq x$  then  $y \not\sim x$

**proof.** by induction on  $x$

B.C.  $x = \emptyset$ , nothing to prove.

Assume true for  $x$ , NTS true for  $S(x)$

AFSOC  $\exists y \not\subseteq S(x)$  ( $y \not\sim S(x)$ )

that is there exists bijection  $f: y \rightarrow S(x)$

**Case 1:**  $x \not\in y$  (use I.H.)

then  $y \subseteq x$

fix  $z \in y$  such that  $f(z) = x$

Define  $y' := y / \{z\}$

then  $f|_{y'}: y' \rightarrow x$  is a bijection

but  $y' \not\subseteq x$ , contradiction  $\square$

Case 2.  $x \in y$  [Reminder,  $y \notin x \cup \{x\}$ ]

then  $\exists z \in x$  such that  $z \notin y$

Take  $y' := y \setminus x$ , Note  $y' \neq x$

Let  $k \in x$  such that  $f(k) = x$

Let  $u \in S(x)$  such that  $f(x) = u$

if  $u = x$ , then  $f|_{y'}$  is a bijection,  
contradiction.

if  $u \neq x$ , then

Define  $g: y' \rightarrow x$  such that

$$g(z) = \begin{cases} f(z), & \text{if } f(z) \neq x \\ u, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

then  $g$  is a bijection  $\Leftrightarrow$

claim.  $(\omega, \in)$  is a well order.

Proof. AFSOC, suppose  $\exists A \subseteq \omega, A \neq \emptyset$  such that  
A contains no minimum element.

Then obviously  $\emptyset \notin A$  and

$\forall n \in \omega, (\exists m \in \omega (m \in A)) \Rightarrow n \notin A$

Define  $B := \{b \in \omega \mid b \notin A\}$

Note  $\phi \in B$  and  $n \in B \Rightarrow s(n) \in B$

By induction  $B = \omega \Rightarrow A = \phi$  contra  $\Sigma$

**claim.** (Principle of Weak Induction)

Let  $(X, <)$  be well ordered.

Suppose  $P \subseteq X$  satisfies  $\forall x \in X : (\forall y < x : y \in P) \Rightarrow x \in P$  then  $P = X$ .

**Proof.** AFSOC suppose  $P \neq X$ . then

let  $B := P/X$ ,  $B \neq \emptyset$

By well ordering,  $\exists b_0 \in B : b_0 \leq b, \forall b \in B$

Let  $x \in X$ . if  $x < b_0$ , then  $x \in P$

but then  $b_0 \in P$ . contradiction.  $\Sigma$

**claim.** Identity map & order preserving  
for well orders

$I \subseteq A$  is an initial segment on  $(A, <)$  if

$\forall i \in I (\forall a \in A : (a < i \Rightarrow a \in I))$

(i)  $\hookrightarrow$  If  $f : A \rightarrow A$  order-preserving and  $\text{Im}(f)$   
is an initial segment of  $A$  then  $f = \text{id}$

(ii)  $\hookrightarrow$  If  $f : A \rightarrow A$  order-preserving and surjective  
then  $f = \text{id}$

**Proof** (i) AFSOC, suppose  $f \neq \text{id}$  then  $\exists a \in A$  such that  $f(a) \neq a$ .

By  $f$  order-preserving,  $f(a) \geq a \Rightarrow f(a) > a$

Let  $B := \{a \in A : f(a) > a\}$

by well-order, let  $b_0 := \min B$ .

Note  $\text{Im}(f)$  is an initial segment and  $b_0 < f(b_0) \Rightarrow b_0 \in \text{Im}(f)$

so  $\exists a \in A : f(a) = b_0 < f(b_0)$

$\Rightarrow f(a) < f(b_0)$

$\Rightarrow a < b_0 \Rightarrow a \neq b_0$ , contradiction  $\square$

(ii) AFSOC, suppose  $\exists a \in A : f(a) \neq a$

By order-preserving,  $f(a) > a$

Let  $B := \{a \in A : f(a) \neq a\}$

By well-orders, let  $b_0 := \min B$

By surjective  $\exists d \in A : f(d) = b_0 < f(b_0)$

$\Rightarrow d < b_0 \Rightarrow f(d) = b_0 \neq d \quad \square$

**Claim.**

Given a well order  $(A, <)$  and some property

$\phi(x, y, f)$  such that  $\forall x, f, \exists! y (\phi(x, y, f))$

Then there exists a function  $F$  with domain

$A$  such that  $\forall x \in A : \underline{\phi}(x, F(x), F|_{A_x})$  holds

initial segment

Proof. (i) uniqueness

Suppose  $\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2$  satisfy claim.

Proof by induction to show  $\mathcal{F}_1 = \mathcal{F}_2$ .

Assume  $x \in A$  and  $\forall y \in x : \mathcal{F}_1(y) = \mathcal{F}_2(y)$

then  $\phi(x, \mathcal{F}_1(x), \mathcal{F}_1 \upharpoonright_{A_x})$

$\phi(x, \mathcal{F}_2(x), \mathcal{F}_2 \upharpoonright_{A_x})$  both holds

Since  $\mathcal{F}_1 \upharpoonright_{A_x} = \mathcal{F}_2 \upharpoonright_{A_x}$ , by assumption about unique  $y$ , then  $\mathcal{F}_1(x) = \mathcal{F}_2(x)$   $\square$

(ii) Existence (use replacement axioms)

$\forall x \in A, \exists ! g_x$  with  $\text{dom}(g_x) = A_x$

such that  $\forall y \in x : \phi(y, g_x(y), g_x \upharpoonright_{A_y})$

Consider the property  $\psi(s, w) \Leftrightarrow w = g_s$

then  $\forall s, \exists ! w$  such that  $\psi(s, w)$

By replacement axiom,

we can define  $G : A \rightarrow$

$: x \mapsto g_x$

Note: by uniqueness, if  $y \in x$ , then  $g_x \upharpoonright_{A_y} = g_y$

So we can define  $F : A \rightarrow$

by  $F(x) = z \Leftrightarrow \exists x' \text{ with } g_{x'}(x) = z$

**Claim.** (Comparability of well-orders)

not proved Given  $(A, \in^A)$ ,  $(B, \in^B)$  well-ordered sets,

exactly one of the following holds

- a)  $A, B$  are isomorphic
- b)  $A$  isomorphic to an initial segment of  $B$
- c)  $B$  isomorphic to an initial segment of  $A$

**Proof.** (Application of recursive def & replacement)

Fix a set  $* \notin A \cup B$

Define recursively map  $f: A \rightarrow B \cup \{*\}$

by  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \min \{b \in B \mid \forall y \in x (f(y) < b)\} & \text{if such } b \text{ exists,} \\ * & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$\phi(x, b, f) \Leftrightarrow b = \min \{f(y) \mid y \in x\}$

Let  $I \subseteq A$  be  $I = \{a \in A : f(a) \in B\}$

Then  $I$  is an initial segment of  $A$

since  $\forall a \in A \forall i \in I : a \in i \Rightarrow f(a) \in B \Rightarrow a \in I$

Then  $f: I \rightarrow B$  is order-preserving

why? Let  $a_1 < a_2$ ,  $a_1, a_2 \in I$

$$\text{then } f(a_1) = \min \{b \in B \mid \forall y \in a_1 (f(y) < b)\}$$

$$f(a_2) = \min \{b \in B \mid \forall y \in a_2 (f(y) < b)\}$$

$$f(a_1) \in f(a_2)$$

Also  $\{f(a) : a \in I\}$  is an initial segment of  $B$

why? NTS  $\forall a \in I, \forall w \in f(a)$

$\exists a' \in I$  such that  $f(a') = w$

Proof by induction on  $I$ .

Assume true for all  $\bar{a} < a$ , NTS true for  $a$   
I.H.  $\forall \bar{a} < a : \forall w \in f(\bar{a}), \exists a' \in I (f(a') = w)$

Let  $w < f(a)$ . then

$w < \min \{ b \in B \mid \forall y < a (f(y) \leq b) \}$

so  $\exists \bar{a} < a$  such that  $w \leq f(\bar{a})$

By I.H.,  $\exists a' \in I : f(a') = w$ .  $\square$

Now if  $I = A$ , then  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is

order preserving, either onto (isomorphic)

or onto a proper initial segment ( $|A| < |B|$ )

If  $I \subsetneq A$ , let  $a = \min A \setminus I$

$a = \min \{ a \in A \mid f(a) = * \}$

so  $f|_{A_a} : A_a \rightarrow B$  is onto and order-preserving

then  $B$  is isomorphic to a proper initial segment of  $A$ .  $\square$