

Worksheet 6

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1 (*)

Prove that $\neg isContr(\emptyset)$.

2 (**)

Recall the observational equality of natural numbers $Eq-\mathbb{N} : \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N} \to \mathcal{U}$

$$\begin{array}{lll} \operatorname{Eq-N} 0 & 0 & \doteq \mathbb{1} \\ \operatorname{Eq-N} (\operatorname{suc} m) \ 0 & \doteq \emptyset \\ \operatorname{Eq-N} 0 & (\operatorname{suc} n) \doteq \emptyset \\ \operatorname{Eq-N} (\operatorname{suc} m) (\operatorname{suc} n) \doteq \operatorname{Eq-N} m \ n \end{array}$$

Prove that, for every $n : \mathbb{N}$,

$$\mathsf{Eq}\text{-}\mathbb{N}\; n\; (\mathsf{suc}\; n) = \emptyset$$

In Lecture 4, we did most of the proof that

$$\mathsf{Eq}\text{-}\mathbb{N}\ m\ n \quad \simeq \quad m =_{\mathbb{N}} n.$$

Use this (and the fact proved above) to prove that $\neg(\mathsf{isContr}\ \mathbb{N})$.

$3 \quad (\star \star \star)$

Show that if A is contractible, then for any x, y : A, the identity type x = y is also contractible.

4 $(\star\star\star)$

Recall the first projection function

$$\operatorname{pr}_1 \quad : \quad \sum_{x:A} B(x) \to A$$

Show that pr_1 is an equivalence iff each B(a) is contractible. Hint: Use the results about identity types of Σ types we proved in a previous lecture.

Show that for any a:A, the map

$$\lambda((x,y),p).\mathsf{tr}_B(p,y)\colon \mathsf{fib}_{\mathsf{pr}_1}(a)\to B(a)$$

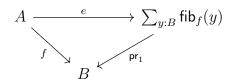
is an equivalence.

5 (**)

Construct for any map $f:A\to B$ an equivalence

$$e:A\simeq \sum_{y:B}\operatorname{fib}_f(y)$$

with a homotopy $H: f \sim \mathsf{pr}_1 \circ e$ witnessing that the triangle



commutes.