



# Worksheet 6

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## 1 (★)

Prove that  $\neg \text{isContr}(\emptyset)$ .

## 2 (★★)

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Eq-}\mathbb{N} \ 0 \quad 0 &\doteq \mathbb{1} \\ \text{Eq-}\mathbb{N} \ (\text{suc } m) \ 0 &\doteq \emptyset \\ \text{Eq-}\mathbb{N} \ 0 \quad (\text{suc } n) &\doteq \emptyset \\ \text{Eq-}\mathbb{N} \ (\text{suc } m) \ (\text{suc } n) &\doteq \text{Eq-}\mathbb{N} \ m \ n \end{aligned}$$

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

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

In Lecture 4, we did most of the proof that

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

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

**3**     $(\star \star \star)$ 

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

$$\mathbf{pr}_1 \quad : \quad \sum_{x:A} B(x) \rightarrow A$$

Show that  $\mathbf{pr}_1$  is an equivalence iff each  $B(a)$  is contractible. *Hint: Use the results about identity types of  $\Sigma$  types we proved in a previous lecture.*

Show that for any  $a : A$ , the map

$$\lambda((x, y), p). \mathbf{tr}_B(p, y) : \mathbf{fib}_{\mathbf{pr}_1}(a) \rightarrow B(a)$$

is an equivalence.

**5**     $(\star \star)$ 

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

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

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

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{e} & \sum_{y:B} \mathbf{fib}_f(y) \\ & \searrow f & \swarrow \mathbf{pr}_1 \\ & B & \end{array}$$

commutes.