

# Analysis

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# Chapter 1

## Elements of set theory

### 1.1 Basic concepts about classes and sets

Every book about mathematical subjects must be based on one form of set theory. Because the focus of this book is on mathematical analysis instead of the foundations of mathematics, I have decided to use Von Neumann's set theory instead of the set theory of Fraenkel, Skolem and Zermelo. The benefit of Von Neumann's theory is that it is nearer to the naive set theory of Cantor. This book assumes that the basics of mathematical logic are understood, more specifically that the reader knows the meaning of the following terms:

$\wedge$	meaning	and
$\vee$	meaning	or
$\neg$	meaning	not
$\Rightarrow$	meaning	implies
$\Leftrightarrow$	meaning	is equivalent with
$\vdash, \models$	meaning	with, where
$\forall$	meaning	for all
$\exists$	meaning	there exists
$\exists!$	meaning	there exists a unique

and how to use them. Axiomatic set theory is based on two undefined concepts: **class** and the **membership** relation between classes (noted as  $\in$ ). Intuitive you can think of a class as a collection and  $x \in A$  to mean that  $x$  is part of the collection where  $A$  stands for. We introduce then axioms that state which are true statements about these undefined concepts. Further we introduce different definitions that helps us to simplify our notation. To start with, we define the concept of  $\notin$  [not member of]

**Definition 1.1.** *Let  $A$  be a class then  $x \notin A$  is equivalent with saying  $\neg(x \in A)$ .*

Next we define **sets** and **elements**, they are the same thing. A **set** or **element** is something that is a member of a class.

**Definition 1.2.** *We say that a **class**  $x$  is a **element** if  $x \in A$  where  $A$  is a class. Another name for a **element** is a **set***

From here on we use the following convention: elements are noted in **lower-case** and classes are noted in **upper-case**. Next we define equality of classes.

**Definition 1.3.** *Let  $A, B$  classes then we say that  $A = B$  if and only if*

$$\forall X \text{ we have } A \in X \Rightarrow B \in X \wedge B \in X \Rightarrow A \in X$$

*Less formally, two classes  $A$  and  $B$  are equal if every class that contains  $A$  or  $B$  must contains  $B$  or  $A$ .*

Once we have defined equality we can define inequality

**Definition 1.4.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  classes then  $A \neq B$  is equivalent with  $\neg(A = B)$

If two classes are equal, we expect them to contain the same elements, this is stated in the first set axiom.

**Axiom 1.5. (Axiom of extent)**

$$A = B \Leftrightarrow [x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B \wedge x \in B \Rightarrow x \in A]$$

Less formally  $A$  is equal to  $B$  if and only if every element of  $A$  is a element of  $B$  and every element of  $B$  is a element of  $A$ , in other words  $A$  and  $B$  have the same elements.

**Definition 1.6.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  classes then  $A$  is a sub-class of  $B$  noted by  $A \subseteq B$  iff

$$x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B$$

So  $A$  is a sub-class of  $B$  iff every element of  $A$  is also a element of  $B$ .

**Definition 1.7.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  classes then  $A$  is a proper sub-class of  $B$  noted by  $A \subset B$  iff

$$x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B \wedge A \neq B$$

So  $A$  is a proper sub-class of  $B$  iff  $A$  is different from  $B$  and every element of  $A$  is also a element of  $B$ .

**Theorem 1.8.** Let  $A, B, C$  be classes then the following holds:

1.  $A = A$
2.  $A = B \Rightarrow B = A$
3.  $A = B \wedge B = C \Rightarrow A = C$
4.  $A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq A \Rightarrow A = B$
5.  $A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq C \Rightarrow A \subseteq C$
6.  $A = B \Rightarrow A \subseteq B$

**Proof.**

1.  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in A$  and  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in A$  are obviously true, hence using the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] it follows that  $A = A$
2. As  $A = B$  we have using the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] that  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B \wedge x \in B \Rightarrow x \in A$  which is equivalent with  $x \in B \Rightarrow x \in A \wedge x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B$ . Using the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] it follows that  $B = A$
3. As  $A = B \wedge B = A$  we have by the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] that

$$x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B \tag{1.1}$$

$$x \in B \Rightarrow x \in A \tag{1.2}$$

$$x \in B \Rightarrow x \in C \tag{1.3}$$

$$x \in C \Rightarrow x \in B \tag{1.4}$$

From [eq: 1.1] and [eq: 1.3] it follows that  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in C$  and from [eq: 1.4] and [eq: 1.2] it follows that  $x \in C \Rightarrow x \in A$ . Using the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] it follows then that  $A = C$ .

4. From  $A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq A$  it follows that  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B \wedge x \in B \Rightarrow x \in A$ , so by the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] we have  $A = B$
5. As  $A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq C$  that  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B$  and  $x \in B \Rightarrow x \in C$  proving that  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in C$  or  $A \subseteq C$
6. If  $x \in A$  then as  $A = B$  we have by the axiom of extension [axiom: 1.5] that  $x \in B$ , hence  $A \subseteq B$ .

□



One way to create a new class is to specify a predicate that a object must satisfies and then take the class of all objects that satisfies this predicate. The problem with this construction is that it can lead to paradoxes like the famous Russell paradox. Consider the predicate  $R(x) = x \notin x$ , this predicate is true for  $x$  if  $x$  is not a member of itself and consider the class that contains all classes that has not them self as member. Does this class contain itself yes or no? If the class contain itself then by definition  $R(x)$  should be true so the class should not contain itself leading to a contradiction. If the class does not contain itself then it satisfies  $R(x)$ , hence it is a member of itself again leading to a contradiction. So we can not test the predicate  $R(x)$  for all classes and thus can not define the class of all classes for which  $R(x)$  is true. The axiom of class construction allows us to create a new class in a safe way.

**Axiom 1.9. (Axiom of Construction)** *Let  $P(x)$  be a statement about  $x$  [using mathematical logic] then there exists a class  $C$  such that  $x \in C$  iff  $x$  is a element and  $P(x)$  is true.*

**Notation 1.10.** *This class  $C$  is noted as  $C = \{x | P(x)\}$ , note the use of lower cases for  $x$ , which is a visual indicator that  $x$  is a element.*

Note that that  $C$  consists of **elements** for which  $P(x)$  is true, it is not enough that  $P(x)$  is true to belong to  $C$ . A object must belong to a class [be a element or equivalently be a set] and  $P(x)$  must be true to be a member of  $C$ . Let's see how that solves Russell's paradox. Define the class  $R = \{x | x \notin x\}$  [Russel's class] and check if  $R \in R$  or  $R \notin R$  is true:

**$R \in R$ .** Then  $R$  is a element and  $R \notin R$  giving the contradiction  $R \in R \wedge R \notin R$

**$R \notin R$ .** Then  $R$  is not a element or  $R \in R$  which as  $R \notin R$  gives that  $R$  is not a element

So we have that  $R$  is not a element and indeed because of this that  $R \notin R$ . You can ask yourself if there actually exists elements, none of the axioms up to now can be used to get elements [or equivalent sets], for this we need extra axioms.

The axiom of construction can be used as a way of creating a sub-class of a given class.

**Definition 1.11.** *Let  $A$  be a class and  $P(x)$  a predicate then  $\{x \in A | P(x)\} = \{x | x \in A \wedge P(x)\}$*

Using the axiom of construction [axiom: 1.9] we can then define the universal class  $\mathcal{U}$ .

**Definition 1.12. (Universal class)** *The universal class  $\mathcal{U}$  is defined by  $\mathcal{U} = \{x | x = x\}$*

The universal class contains all the elements, as is expressed in the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.13.** *If  $x$  is a element then  $x \in \mathcal{U}$*

**Proof.** Let  $x$  be a element then, as  $x = x$  [see theorem: 1.8] we have that  $x \in \mathcal{U}$  □

We use now the axiom of construction to define the union and intersection of two classes.

**Definition 1.14.** *Let  $A, B$  be two classes then the union of  $A$  and  $B$ , noted as  $A \cup B$  is defined by*

$$A \cup B = \{x | x \in A \vee x \in B\}$$

**Definition 1.15.** *Let  $A, B$  be two classes then the intersection of  $A$  and  $B$ , noted as  $A \cap B$  is defined by*

$$A \cap B = \{x | x \in A \wedge x \in B\}$$

Next we define the empty class, the class that does not contains a element.

**Definition 1.16.** *The empty class  $\emptyset$  is defined by*

$$\emptyset = \{x | x \neq x\}$$

**Theorem 1.17.**  *$\emptyset$  does not contains elements, meaning if  $x$  is a element then  $x \notin \emptyset$*

**Proof.** We proof this by contradiction, so assume that there exists a element  $x \in \emptyset$  then  $x \neq x$ , contradicting  $x = x$  [see theorem: 1.8].  $\square$

**Theorem 1.18.** *If  $A$  is a class then*

1.  $\emptyset \subseteq A$
2.  $A \subseteq \mathcal{U}$
3. *If  $A \subseteq \emptyset$  then  $A = \emptyset$*

**Proof.**

1. We proof this by contra-position, as  $\emptyset \subseteq A$  is equivalent with  $x \in \emptyset \Rightarrow x \in A$ . We must proof that  $x \notin A \Rightarrow x \notin \emptyset$ . Well if  $x \notin A$  then certainly  $x \notin \emptyset$  [Theorem: 1.17] so that  $x \notin A \Rightarrow x \notin \emptyset$ .
2. If  $x \in A$  then  $x$  is a element, hence  $x \in \mathcal{U}$  by [Theorem: 1.13]
3. By (1) we have  $\emptyset \subseteq A$  which together with  $A \subseteq \emptyset$  proves by [theorem: 1.8] that  $A = \emptyset$ .  $\square$

We also have that every class with no elements is equal to the empty set [there is only one empty set]

**Theorem 1.19.** *If  $A$  is a a class such that  $x \in A$  yields a contradiction then  $A = \emptyset$*

**Proof.** Let  $x \in A$  then we have a contradiction, so  $x \in A$  must be false and thus  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in \emptyset$  is vacuously true which proves that  $A \subseteq \emptyset$ , combining this with [theorem: 1.18,1.8] proves that  $A = \emptyset$   $\square$

**Corollary 1.20.** *Let  $A$  be a class such that  $A \neq \emptyset$  then  $\exists x$  such that  $x \in A$*

**Proof.** We proof this by contradiction. Assume that  $\forall x$  we have  $x \notin A$  then  $x \in A$  yields the contradiction  $x \in A \wedge x \notin A$ , hence by [theorem: 1.19]  $A = \emptyset$  which contradicts  $A \neq \emptyset$ .  $\square$

**Definition 1.21.** *Two classes  $A, B$  are disjoint iff  $A \cap B = \emptyset$*

We define now the complement of a class

**Definition 1.22.** *Let  $A$  be a class then the complement of  $A$  noted by  $A^c$  is defined by*

$$A^c = \{x | x \notin A\}$$

Something similar to the complement of a class is the difference between two classes

**Definition 1.23.** *Let  $A, B$  be classes then the difference between  $A$  and  $B$  noted by  $A \setminus B$  is defined by*

$$A \setminus B = \{x | x \in A \wedge x \notin B\} \underset{\text{shorter notation}}{=} \{x \in A | x \notin B\}$$

We can express the difference of two classes using the intersection and the complement.

**Theorem 1.24.** *Let  $A, B$  be classes then*

$$A \setminus B = A \cap B^c$$

**Proof.** Let  $x \in A \setminus B$  then  $x \in A \wedge x \notin B$  so that  $x \in A \wedge x \in B^c$ , further if  $x \in A \cap B^c$  then  $x \in A \wedge x \notin B$ . Using then the axiom of extent [axiom: 1.5].  $\square$

## 1.2 Class operations

**Theorem 1.25.** *Let  $A, B$  are classes then we have*

1.  $A \subseteq A \cup B$

2.  $B \subseteq A \cup B$
3.  $A \cap B \subseteq A$
4.  $A \cap B \subseteq B$
5.  $A \setminus B \subseteq A$
6. If  $C$  is a class such that  $A \subseteq C$  and  $B \subseteq C$  then  $A \cup B \subseteq C$
7. If  $C$  is a class such that  $A \subseteq C$  and  $D$  a class such that  $B \subseteq D$  then  $A \cup B \subseteq C \cup D$
8. If  $C$  is a class such that  $C \subseteq A$  and  $C \subseteq B$  then  $C \subseteq A \cap B$
9. If  $C$  is a class such that  $A \subseteq C$  and  $D$  a class such that  $B \subseteq D$  then  $A \cap B \subseteq C \cap D$

**Proof.**

1. If  $x \in A$  then  $x \in A \vee x \in B$  proving that  $x \in A \cup B$ , hence  $A \subseteq A \cup B$
2. If  $x \in B$  then  $x \in A \vee x \in B$  proving that  $x \in A \cup B$ , hence  $B \subseteq A \cup B$
3. If  $x \in A \cap B$  then  $x \in A \wedge x \in B$ , hence  $x \in A$  so that  $x \in A$ , hence  $A \cap B \subseteq A$
4. If  $x \in A \cap B$  then  $x \in A \wedge x \in B$ , hence  $x \in B$  so that  $x \in B$ , hence  $A \cap B \subseteq B$
5. If  $x \in A \setminus B$  then  $x \in A \wedge x \notin B$  so that  $A \setminus B \subseteq A$
6. If  $x \in A \cup B$  then  $x \in A \xRightarrow{A \subseteq C} x \in C$  or  $x \in B \xRightarrow{B \subseteq C} x \in C$  proving that  $x \in C$
7. Using (1)  $A \subseteq C \cup D$  and  $B \subseteq C \cup D$ , so using (6) we have  $A \cup B \subseteq C \cup D$
8. If  $x \in C$  then  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B$  so that  $x \in A \cap B$
9. If  $x \in A \cap B$  then  $x \in A \xRightarrow{A \subseteq C} x \in C$  and  $x \in B \xRightarrow{B \subseteq D} x \in D$  hence  $x \in C \cap D$ . □

**Theorem 1.26.** *If  $A, B$  are classes then we have*

1.  $A \subseteq B$  if and only if  $A \cup B = B$
2.  $A \subseteq B$  if and only if  $A \cap B = A$

**Proof.**

1.
  - $\Rightarrow$ . If  $x \in A \cup B \Rightarrow x \in A \xRightarrow{A \subseteq B} x \in B$  and thus  $A \cup B \subseteq B$ . From the previous theorem [theorem: 1.25] we have  $B \subseteq A \cup B$  so by 1.8 we have  $A \cup B = B$
  - $\Leftarrow$ . If  $A \cup B = B$  then  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in A \cup B \xRightarrow{A \cup B = B} x \in B$  and thus  $A \subseteq B$
2.
  - $\Rightarrow$ . If  $x \in A \xRightarrow{A \subseteq B} x \in B \Rightarrow x \in A \wedge x \in B \Rightarrow x \in A \cap B$  proving that  $A \subseteq A \cap B$ . From the previous theorem we have  $A \cap B \subseteq A$  so by [theorem: 1.8] we have  $A \cap B = A$
  - $\Leftarrow$ . If  $A \cap B = A$  we have  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in A \cap B \Rightarrow (x \in A \wedge x \in B) \Rightarrow x \in B$  so  $A \subseteq B$ . □

**Theorem 1.27. (Absorption Laws)** *If  $A, B$  are classes then*

1.  $A \cup (A \cap B) = A$
2.  $A \cap (A \cup B) = A$

**Proof.**

1. By [theorem: 1.25] we have  $A \cap B \subseteq A$ , hence using [theorem: 1.26] we have that  $A \cup (A \cap B) = A$

2. By [theorem: 1.25] we have  $A \subseteq A \cup B$ , hence using [theorem: 1.26] we have that  $A \cap (A \cup B) = A$   $\square$

**Theorem 1.28.** *Let  $A$  be a class then  $(A^c)^c = A$*

**Proof.** If  $x \in (A^c)^c$  then  $x$  is a element and  $x \notin A$  then  $x \in A$  [for if  $x \notin A$  we have  $x \in A^c$ ]. If  $x \in A$  then  $x \notin A^c$  so that  $x \in (A^c)^c$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 1.29. (DeMorgan's Law)** *For all classes  $A, B, C$  we have*

1.  $(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$
2.  $(A \cap B)^c = A^c \cup B^c$

**Proof.**

1. If  $x \in (A \cup B)^c$  then  $x \notin A \cup B$ , so that  $\neg(x \in A \vee x \in B) = x \notin A \wedge x \notin B$  proving that  $x \in A^c \cap B^c$ . If  $x \in A^c \cap B^c$  then  $x \notin A \wedge x \notin B = \neg(x \in A \vee x \in B)$ , so that  $x \notin A \cup B$  or  $x \in (A \cup B)^c$ . The proof follows then from the axiom of extent [axiom: 1.5]
2. If  $x \in (A \cap B)^c$  then  $x \notin A \cap B$ , so that  $\neg(x \in A \wedge x \in B) = x \notin A \vee x \notin B$  proving that  $x \in A^c \cup B^c$ . If  $x \in A^c \cup B^c$  then  $x \notin A \vee x \notin B = \neg(x \in A \wedge x \in B)$ , so that  $x \in (A \cap B)^c$ . The proof follows then from axiom of extent [axiom: 1.5]  $\square$

**Theorem 1.30.** *Let  $A, B, C$  be classes then we have:*

**commutativity.**

1.  $A \cup B = B \cup A$
2.  $A \cap B = B \cap A$

**idem potency.**

1.  $A \cup A = A$
2.  $A \cap A = A$

**associativity.**

1.  $A \cup (B \cup C) = (A \cup B) \cup C$
2.  $A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C$

**Distributivity.**

1.  $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$
2.  $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$

**Proof.**

**commutativity.**

1. This follows from [axiom: 1.5] and

$$\begin{aligned} x \in A \cup B &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \vee x \in B \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in B \vee x \in A \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in B \cup A \end{aligned}$$

2. This follows from [axiom: 1.5] and

$$\begin{aligned} x \in A \cap B &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge x \in B \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in B \wedge x \in A \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in B \cap A \end{aligned}$$

**idem potency.**

1. This follows from [axiom: 1.5] and

$$\begin{aligned} x \in A \cup A &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \vee x \in A \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \end{aligned}$$

2. This follows from [axiom: 1.5] and

$$\begin{aligned} x \in A \cap A &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge x \in A \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \end{aligned}$$

**associativity.**

1. This follows from [axiom: 1.5] and

$$\begin{aligned} x \in A \cup (B \cup C) &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \vee x \in B \cup C \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \vee (x \in B \vee x \in C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (x \in A \vee x \in B) \vee x \in C \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \cup B \vee x \in C \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in (A \cup B) \cup C \end{aligned}$$

2. This follows from [axiom: 1.5] and

$$\begin{aligned} x \in A \cap (B \cap C) &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge x \in B \cap C \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge (x \in B \wedge x \in C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (x \in A \wedge x \in B) \wedge x \in C \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \cap B \wedge x \in C \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in (A \cap B) \cap C \end{aligned}$$

**Distributivity.**

1. This follows from [axiom: 1.5] and

$$\begin{aligned} x \in A \cup (B \cap C) &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \vee x \in B \cap C \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \vee (x \in B \wedge x \in C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (x \in A \vee x \in B) \wedge (x \in A \vee x \in C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \cup B \wedge x \in A \cup C \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C) \end{aligned}$$

2. This follows from [axiom: 1.5] and

$$\begin{aligned} x \in A \cap (B \cup C) &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge x \in B \cup C \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge (x \in B \vee x \in C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (x \in A \wedge x \in B) \vee (x \in A \wedge x \in C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \cap B \vee x \in A \cap C \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C) \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 1.31.** *Let  $A, B, C$  be classes then we have*

1.  $A \setminus (B \cup C) = (A \setminus B) \cap (A \setminus C)$
2.  $A \setminus (B \cap C) = (A \setminus B) \cup (A \setminus C)$

**Proof.**

1.

$$\begin{aligned}
 A \setminus (B \cup C) & \stackrel{\text{theorem: 1.24}}{=} A \cap (B \cup C)^c \\
 & \stackrel{\text{theorem: 1.29}}{=} A \cap (B^c \cap C^c) \\
 & \stackrel{\text{associativity}}{=} (A \cap B^c) \cap C^c \\
 & \stackrel{\text{idem potency}}{=} ((A \cap A) \cap B^c) \cap C^c \\
 & \stackrel{\text{associativity}}{=} (A \cap (A \cap B^c)) \cap C^c \\
 & \stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} ((A \cap B^c) \cap A) \cap C^c \\
 & \stackrel{\text{associativity}}{=} (A \cap B^c) \cap (A \cap C^c) \\
 & \stackrel{\text{theorem: 1.24}}{=} (A \setminus B) \cap (A \setminus C)
 \end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned}
 A \setminus (B \cap C) & \stackrel{\text{theorem: 1.24}}{=} A \cap (B \cap C)^c \\
 & \stackrel{\text{theorem: 1.29}}{=} A \cap (B^c \cup C^c) \\
 & \stackrel{\text{Distributivity}}{=} (A \cap B^c) \cup (A \cap C^c) \\
 & \stackrel{\text{theorem: 1.24}}{=} (A \setminus B) \cup (A \setminus C)
 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 1.32.** *Let  $A$  be a class then we have:*

1.  $\emptyset \cup A = A$
2.  $\emptyset \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$
3.  $A \cup \mathcal{U} = \mathcal{U}$
4.  $A \cap \mathcal{U} = A$
5.  $A \setminus A = \emptyset$

**Proof.**

1. As  $\emptyset \subseteq A$  [theorem: 1.18] we have by [theorem: 1.26] that  $\emptyset \cup A = A$
2. As  $\emptyset \subseteq A$  [theorem: 1.18] we have by [theorem: 1.26] that  $\emptyset \cap A = A$
3. As  $A \subseteq \mathcal{U}$  [theorem 1.18] we have by [theorem: 1.26] that  $A \cap \mathcal{U} = A$
4. As  $A \subseteq \mathcal{U}$  [theorem 1.18] we have by [theorem: 1.26] that  $A \cap \mathcal{U} = A$
5. Let  $x \in A \setminus A$  then  $x \in A \wedge x \notin A$  a contradiction, so by [theorem: 1.19] we have that  $A \setminus A = \emptyset$  □

### 1.3 Cartesian products

If  $a$  is a element we can use the axiom of construction [axiom: 1.9] to define the class  $\{x|x=a\}$ , this leads to the following definition.

**Definition 1.33.** *If  $a$  is a element then  $\{a\} = \{x|x=a\}$  is a class containing only one element. The class  $\{a\}$  is called a **singleton**.*

**Lemma 1.34.** *If  $a, b$  are elements such that  $a=b$  then  $\{a\} = \{b\}$*

**Proof.** If  $z \in \{a\}$  then  $z=a$  which by  $a=b$  and [theorem: 1.8] proves that  $z=b$  hence  $z \in \{b\}$ . Likewise if  $z \in \{b\}$  then  $z=b$  which by  $a=b$  and [theorem: 1.8] proves that  $z=a$  hence  $z \in \{a\}$ . Using the axiom of extent [axiom: 1.5] it follows then that  $\{a\} = \{b\}$  □

If  $a, b$  are elements then we can use the axiom of construction [axiom: 1.9] to define the class  $\{x|x = a \vee x = b\}$  consisting of two elements. This leads to the following definition.

**Definition 1.35.** *If  $a, b$  are elements then  $\{a, b\} = \{x|x = a \vee x = b\}$  is called a **unordered pair**.*

The next axiom ensures we can construct new elements from given elements.. It allows us to create classes that has as members pairs of elements.

**Axiom 1.36. (Axiom of Pairing)** *If  $a, b$  are elements then  $\{a, b\}$  is a element*

**Lemma 1.37.** *If  $a$  is a element then  $\{a, a\} = \{a\}$*

**Proof.**

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \{a, a\} &\Leftrightarrow x = a \vee x = a \\ &\Leftrightarrow x = a \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in \{a\} \\ &\quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 1.38.** *If  $a$  is a element then  $\{a\}$  is a element*

**Proof.** As  $a$  is a element we have by the axiom of pairing [axiom: 1.36] that  $\{a, a\}$  is a element, which as  $\{a\} \stackrel{\text{lemma: 1.37}}{=} \{a, a\}$  proves that  $\{a\}$  is a element.  $\square$

The following lemma characterize equality of unordered pairs and will be used later to characterize equality of ordered pairs.

**Lemma 1.39.** *If  $x, y, x', y'$  are elements then*

$$\{x, y\} = \{x', y'\} \text{ implies } (x = x' \wedge y = y') \vee (x = y' \wedge y = x')$$

**Proof.** Lets's consider the following possible cases  $x, y$ :

$x = y$ . Then  $\{x, y\} \stackrel{\text{lemma: 1.37}}{=} \{x\} = \{x', y'\}$ . From  $x' \in \{x', y'\} = \{x\}$  it follows that  $x = x'$  and from  $y' \in \{x', y'\} = \{x\}$  it follows that  $y = x$ . As  $x = x'$  it follows from [theorem: 1.8] that  $y = x'$ . So we have that  $(x = x' \wedge y = y')$  from which it follows that

$$(x = x' \wedge y = y') \vee (x = y' \wedge y = x')$$

$x \neq y$ . Then as  $x \in \{x, y\} = \{x', y'\}$  we have by [axiom: 1.5] that  $x \in \{x', y'\}$ , so by definition we have for  $x$  either

$x = x'$ . Then as  $y \in \{x, y\} = \{x', y'\}$  we have by [axiom: 1.5] that  $y \in \{x', y'\}$ , so by definition we have for  $y$  either:

$y = x'$ . As  $x = x' \stackrel{\text{theorem: 1.8}}{\Rightarrow} x = y$  we contradict  $x \neq y$  so this case does not apply

$y = y'$ . Then  $(x = x' \wedge y = y')$  hence  $(x = x' \wedge y = y') \vee (x = y' \wedge y = x')$

$x = y'$ . Then as  $y \in \{x, y\} = \{x', y'\}$  we have by [axiom: 1.5] that  $y \in \{x', y'\}$ , so by definition we have for  $y$  either:

$y = x'$ . Then  $(x = y' \wedge y = x')$  hence  $(x = x' \wedge y = y') \vee (x = y' \wedge y = x')$

$y = y'$ . As  $x = y' \stackrel{\text{theorem: 1.8}}{\Rightarrow} x = y$  we contradict  $x \neq y$  so this case does not apply

So in all cases that apply we have

$$(x = x' \wedge y = y') \vee (x = y' \wedge y = x') \quad \square$$

**Lemma 1.40.** *If  $x, y, x', y'$  are elements such that  $(x = x' \wedge y = y') \vee (x = y' \wedge y = x')$  then  $\{x, y\} = \{x', y'\}$*

**Proof.** Let  $z \in \{x, y\}$  then either:

$z = x$ . then if  $x = x' \wedge y = y'$  we have using [theorem: 1.8] that  $z = x'$ , hence by definition  $z \in \{x', y'\}$  and if  $x = y' \wedge y = x'$  we have using [theorem: 1.8] that  $z = y'$ , hence by definition  $x \in \{x', y'\}$

$z = y$ . then if  $x = x' \wedge y = y'$  we have using [theorem: 1.8] that  $z = y'$ , hence by definition  $z \in \{x', y'\}$  and if  $x = y' \wedge y = x'$  we have using [theorem: 1.8] that  $z = x'$ , hence by definition  $x \in \{x', y'\}$

which proves that

$$\{x, y\} \subseteq \{x', y'\} \quad (1.5)$$

Let  $z \in \{x', y'\}$  then either:

$z = x'$ . then if  $x = x' \wedge y = y'$  we have using [theorem: 1.8] that  $z = x$ , hence by definition  $z \in \{x, y\}$  and if  $x = y' \wedge y = x'$  we have using [theorem: 1.8] that  $z = y$ , hence by definition  $x \in \{x, y\}$

$z = y$ . then if  $x = x' \wedge y = y'$  we have using [theorem: 1.8] that  $z = y$ , hence by definition  $z \in \{x, y\}$  and if  $x = y' \wedge y = x'$  we have using [theorem: 1.8] that  $z = x$ , hence by definition  $x \in \{x, y\}$

which proves that

$$\{x', y'\} \subseteq \{x, y\} \quad (1.6)$$

Using [theorem: 1.8] on [eq: 1.5, 1.6] proves that

$$\{x = y\} = \{x' = y'\} \quad \square$$

The above lemma actually shows that the order of the elements in unordered pairs do not matter, to remedy this we construct a ordered pair.

**Definition 1.41.** If  $a, b$  are elements then

$$(a, b) = \{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$$

**Note 1.42.** As  $\{a\}, \{a, b\}$  are elements we have again that  $\{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$  is a element, hence  $(a, b)$  is also a element.

Next we show that the order of elements is important for a tuple

**Theorem 1.43.** Let  $x, y, x', y'$  are elements then

$$(x, y) = (x', y') \Leftrightarrow x = x' \wedge y = y'$$

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $(x, y) = (x', y')$  then by definition

$$\{\{x\}, \{x, y\}\} = \{\{x'\}, \{x', y'\}\}$$

By [lemma: 1.39] we have either:

$\{x\} = \{x'\} \wedge \{x, y\} = \{x', y'\}$ . then, as  $x \in \{x\}$ , we have by definition  $x = x'$ , using [lemma: 1.39] again we have either:

$x = x' \wedge y = y'$ . Then  $x = x' \wedge y = y'$

$x = y' \wedge y = x'$ . Then by [theorem: 1.8] and  $x = x'$  we have  $y' = x'$  so that by [theorem: 1.8] again  $y = y'$ . Hence we have  $x = x' \wedge y = y'$

$\{x\} = \{x', y'\} \wedge \{x, y\} = \{x'\}$ . Then as  $x', y' \in \{x', y'\} = \{x\}$  we have  $x' = x \wedge y' = x$ , as  $x, y \in \{x, y\} = \{x'\}$  we have  $x = x' \wedge y = x'$ . Using [theorem: 1.8] on  $y' = x \wedge x = x' \wedge y = x'$  we have  $y = y'$ . Hence  $x = x' \wedge y = y'$ .

So in all cases we have

$$x = x' \wedge y = y'$$



$\Leftarrow$ . As  $x = x'$  it follows from [lemma: 1.34] that  $\{x\} = \{x'\}$ , from  $x = x' \wedge y = y'$  we have by [lemma: 1.40] that  $\{x, y\} = \{x', y'\}$ . Using [lemma: 1.40] gives then that  $\{\{x\}, \{x, y\}\} = \{\{x'\}, \{x', y'\}\}$  which by definition gives

$$(x, y) = (x', y') \quad \square$$

We are now ready to define the Cartesian product of two classes, using the axiom of construction [axiom: 1.9].

**Definition 1.44.** If  $A, B$  are classes then the **Cartesian product** of  $A$  and  $B$  noted by  $A \times B$  is defined as

$$A \times B = \{z | z = (a, b) \wedge a \in A \wedge b \in B\}$$

**Notation 1.45.** Instead of writing  $\{z | z = (a, b) \wedge a \in A \wedge b \in A\}$  we use in the future the shorter notation  $\{(a, b) | a \in A \wedge b \in B\}$

A special case of the Cartesian product is the Cartesian product of empty sets.

**Example 1.46.**  $\emptyset = \emptyset \times \emptyset$

**Proof.** If  $z \in \emptyset \times \emptyset$  then there exists a  $x, y \in \emptyset$  such that  $z = (x, y)$  which contradict  $x, y \notin \emptyset$  [theorem: 1.17] hence by 1.19 we have  $\emptyset \times \emptyset = \emptyset$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 1.47.** Let  $A$  be a class then  $A \times \emptyset = \emptyset$  and  $\emptyset \times A = \emptyset$

**Proof.** If  $z \in A \times \emptyset$  then  $z = (x, y)$  where  $y \in \emptyset$ , which contradicts  $y \notin \emptyset$  [theorem: 1.17], so using [theorem: 1.19] we have that

$$A \times \emptyset = \emptyset$$

Likewise if  $x \in \emptyset \times A$  then  $z = (x, y)$  where  $x \in \emptyset$ , which contradicts  $x \notin \emptyset$  [theorem: 1.17], so using [theorem: 1.19] we have that

$$\emptyset \times A = \emptyset$$

$\square$

**Theorem 1.48.** If  $A, B, C, D$  are classes then we have:

1. If  $A \subseteq B \wedge C \subseteq D$  then  $A \times C \subseteq B \times D$
2. Let  $A \neq \emptyset \wedge C \neq \emptyset$  then if  $A \times C \subseteq B \times D$  it follows that  $A \subseteq B \wedge C \subseteq D$
3. Let  $A \neq \emptyset \wedge B \neq \emptyset \wedge C \neq \emptyset$  then  $A \times C = B \times D \Leftrightarrow A = B \wedge C = D$

**Proof.**

1. Let  $z \in A \times C$  then there exists a  $x \in A$  and  $y \in C$  such that  $z = (x, y)$ . As  $A \subseteq B \wedge C \subseteq D$  it follows that  $x \in B \wedge y \in D$  so that  $z = (x, y) \in B \times D$  Hence

$$A \times C \subseteq B \times D$$

2. Let  $x \in A$  then, as  $C \neq \emptyset$ , we have by [corollary: 1.20] the existence of a  $y \in C$ , then  $(x, y) \in A \times C$  which as  $A \times C \subseteq B \times D$  proves that  $(x, y) \in B \times D$ . By definition we have then that  $x \in B$  proving

$$A \subseteq B$$

Likewise, let  $y \in C$  then, as  $A \neq \emptyset$  we have by [corollary: 1.20] the existence of a  $x \in A$ , hence  $(x, y) \in A \times C$ , which as  $A \times C \subseteq B \times D$ , proves  $(x, y) \in B \times D$  and by definition  $y \in D$ . Hence

$$C \subseteq D$$

- 3.

$\Rightarrow$ . First as  $A \times C = B \times D$  we have by [theorem: 1.8] that  $A \times C \subseteq B \times D$ , using (2) proves then that

$$A \subseteq B \wedge C \subseteq D \quad (1.7)$$

Next as  $A \times C = B \times D$  we have by [theorem: 1.8] that  $B \times D \subseteq A \times C$ , using (2) proves then that

$$B \subseteq A \wedge C \subseteq D \quad (1.8)$$

Combining then [eq 1.7,1.8] with [theorem: 1.8] proves

$$A = B \wedge C = D$$

$\Leftarrow$ . As  $A = B \wedge C = D$  we have by [theorem: 1.8] that  $A \subseteq B, C \subseteq D, B \subseteq A, D \subseteq C$  which using (1) gives that  $A \times C \subseteq B \times D \wedge B \times D \subseteq A \times C$ . Using [theorem: 1.8] it follows then that

$$A \times C = B \times D \quad \square$$

**Theorem 1.49.** *Let  $A, B, C$  and  $D$  be classes then we have*

1.  $A \times (B \cap C) = (A \times B) \cap (A \times C)$
2.  $A \times (B \cup C) = (A \times B) \cup (A \times C)$
3.  $(A \times B) \cap (C \times D) = (A \cap C) \times (B \cap D)$
4.  $(B \cap C) \times A = (B \times A) \cap (C \times A)$
5.  $(B \cup C) \times A = (B \times A) \cup (C \times A)$
6.  $(A \times B) \setminus (C \times D) = ((A \setminus C) \times B) \cup (A \times (B \setminus D))$
7.  $(A \setminus B) \times C = (A \times C) \setminus (B \times C)$
8.  $A \times (B \setminus C) = (A \times B) \setminus (A \times C)$

**Proof.**

1. We have

$$\begin{aligned} z \in A \times (B \cap C) &\Leftrightarrow z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge y \in (B \cap C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge (y \in B \wedge y \in C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge y \in B) \wedge (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge y \in C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow z \in A \times B \wedge z \in A \times C \\ &\Leftrightarrow z \in (A \times B) \cap (A \times C) \end{aligned}$$

2. We have

$$\begin{aligned} z \in A \times (B \cup C) &\Leftrightarrow z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge y \in (B \cup C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge (y \in B \vee y \in C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge y \in B) \vee (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge y \in C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow z \in A \times B \vee z \in A \times C \\ &\Leftrightarrow z \in (A \times B) \cup (A \times C) \end{aligned}$$

3. We have

$$\begin{aligned} z \in (A \times B) \cap (C \times D) &\Leftrightarrow z \in A \times B \wedge z \in C \times D \\ &\Leftrightarrow (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge y \in B) \wedge (z = (x', y') \wedge x' \in C \wedge y' \in D) \\ &\stackrel{(x, y) = z = (x', y') \Rightarrow x = x', y = y'}{\Leftrightarrow} z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge y \in B \wedge x \in C \wedge y \in D \\ &\Leftrightarrow z = (x, y) \wedge (x \in A \wedge x \in C) \wedge (y \in B \wedge y \in D) \\ &\Leftrightarrow z = (x, y) \wedge (x \in A \cap C) \wedge (y \in B \cap D) \\ &\Leftrightarrow z \in (A \cap C) \times (B \cap D) \end{aligned}$$

4. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 z \in (B \cap C) \times A &\Leftrightarrow z = (x, y) \wedge x \in B \cap C \wedge y \in A \\
 &\Leftrightarrow z = (x, y) \wedge x \in B \wedge x \in C \wedge y \in A \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in B \wedge y \in A) \wedge (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in C \wedge y \in A) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow z \in B \times A \wedge z \in C \times A \\
 &\Leftrightarrow z \in (B \times A) \cap (C \times A)
 \end{aligned}$$

5. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 z \in (B \cup C) \times A &\Leftrightarrow z = (x, y) \wedge x \in B \cup C \wedge y \in A \\
 &\Leftrightarrow z = (x, y) \wedge (x \in B \vee x \in C) \wedge y \in A \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in B \wedge y \in A) \vee (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in C \wedge y \in A) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (z \in B \times A) \vee (z \in C \times A) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow z \in (B \times A) \cup (C \times A)
 \end{aligned}$$

6. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 z \in (A \times B) \setminus (C \times D) &\Leftrightarrow \\
 (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge y \in B) \wedge (x, y) \notin C \times D &\Leftrightarrow \\
 (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge y \in B) \wedge \neg(x \in C \wedge y \in D) &\Leftrightarrow \\
 (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge y \in B) \wedge (x \notin C \vee y \notin D) &\Leftrightarrow \\
 (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge y \in B \wedge x \notin C) \vee (z = (x, y) \wedge x \in A \wedge y \in B \wedge y \notin D) &\Leftrightarrow \\
 z = (x, y) \wedge [(x, y) \in (A \setminus C) \times B \vee (x, y) \in A \times (B \setminus D)] &\Leftrightarrow \\
 z \in ((A \setminus C) \times B) \cup (A \times (B \setminus D)) &\Leftrightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

7. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (A \times C) \setminus (B \times C) &\stackrel{(6)}{=} ((A \setminus C) \times B) \cup (A \times (C \setminus C)) \\
 &\stackrel{[theorem: 1.32]}{=} ((A \setminus C) \times B) \cup (A \times \emptyset) \\
 &\stackrel{[theorem: 1.47]}{=} ((A \setminus C) \times B) \cup \emptyset \\
 &\stackrel{[theorem: 1.32]}{=} (A \setminus C) \times B
 \end{aligned}$$

8. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (A \times B) \setminus (A \times C) &\stackrel{(6)}{=} ((A \setminus A) \times B) \cup (A \times (B \setminus C)) \\
 &\stackrel{[theorem: 1.32]}{=} (\emptyset \times B) \cup (A \times (B \setminus C)) \\
 &\stackrel{[theorem: 1.47]}{=} \emptyset \cup (A \times (B \setminus C)) \\
 &\stackrel{[theorem: 1.32]}{=} A \times (B \setminus C)
 \end{aligned}$$

□

## 1.4 Sets

Remember that that another name for **element** is **set** [definition: 1.2]. Up to now we have used the name **element**, because we want to think of a element as a member of a class. However a element is also a class and can contain other elements. If we want to stress the collection aspect then we use the word **set** instead of **element**. The convention is to use uppercase to represent a set and lower cases for a element. Of course set and element are the same thing, we just want to stress different aspects of the same thing. Note that we have two kinds of classes classes that are a member of another class and classes that are not a member of a class. This leads to the following definition.

**Definition 1.50.** A class  $A$  is a **set** [or **element**] if there exists a class  $B$  such that  $A \in B$ . A class that is never a member of another class is called a **proper class**.

Up to now we had axioms that given a element/set create a new element/set, but we have not ensured the existence of a element/set. To this we must first define the concept of a successor set.

**Definition 1.51.** A set  $S$  is a **successor set** iff

1.  $\emptyset \in S$
2. If  $X \in S$  then  $X \cup \{X\} \in S$

Of course nothing proves that successor set's exists, to ensure the existence of a successor set we have the axiom of infinity.

**Axiom 1.52. (Axiom of Infinity)** There exists a **successor set**

This axiom ensures that we have at least one set. We can then use the other axioms about elements/sets to create new elements. Later we will use the Axiom of Infinity to create the Natural Numbers, from which we build all the other numbers (integers, rationals, reals, complex numbers). The Axiom of Infinity ensures also that the empty class is actually a set.

**Theorem 1.53.**  $\emptyset$  is a set

**Proof.** The Axiom of Infinity [axiom: 1.52] ensures the existence of a successor set  $S$ . By definition we have then that  $\emptyset \in S$  which proves that  $\emptyset$  is a set.  $\square$

So now we have two sets to start with, the successor set and the empty set. We can use the Axiom of Pairing [axiom: 1.36] to create new sets like singletons, unordered pairs and pairs. We introduce now extra axioms to create new sets given existing sets.

**Axiom 1.54. (Axiom of Subsets)** Every sub-class of a set is a set

As a application we proof that the intersection of two sets is a set

**Theorem 1.55.** Let  $A, B$  be sets then  $A \cap B$  is a set

**Proof.** By [theorem: 1.25] we have that  $A \cap B \subseteq A$ , so by the axiom of infinity [axiom: 1.52] it follows that  $A \cap B$  is a set.  $\square$

We define now a more general concept of union and intersection

**Definition 1.56.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a class then using the Axiom of Construction [axiom: 1.9] we define  $\bigcup \mathcal{A} = \{x \mid \exists y \in \mathcal{A} \text{ such that } x \in y\}$

**Definition 1.57.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a class then using the Axiom of Construction [axiom: 1.9] we define  $\bigcap \mathcal{A} = \{x \mid \forall y \in \mathcal{A} \text{ we have } x \in y\}$

**Example 1.58.** Let  $A$  be a class then

1.  $\bigcup \{A\} = A$
2.  $\bigcap \{A\} = A$
3.  $\bigcup \emptyset = \emptyset$

**Proof.**

- 1.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \bigcup \{A\} &\quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \exists y \in \{A\} \text{ with } x \in y \\ &\quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \begin{matrix} x \in A \\ y \in \{A\} \Leftrightarrow y = A \end{matrix} \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\bigcup \{A\} = A$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \bigcap \{A\} &\Leftrightarrow \forall y \in \{A\} \text{ we have } x \in y \\ &\stackrel{\Leftrightarrow}{\underset{y \in \{A\} \Leftrightarrow y = A}{\Rightarrow}} x \in A \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\bigcap \{A\} = A$$

3. Assume that  $x \in \emptyset$  then  $\exists y \in \emptyset$  such that  $x \in y$  which lead by the definition of  $\emptyset$  [definition: 1.16] to the contradiction that  $y \neq y$ .  $\square$

**Example 1.59.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  classes then

1.  $\bigcup \{A, B\} = A \bigcup B$
2.  $\bigcap \{A, B\} = A \bigcap B$

**Proof.**

1.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \bigcup \{A, B\} &\Leftrightarrow \exists y \in \{A, B\} \text{ with } x \in y \\ &\stackrel{\Leftrightarrow}{\underset{y \in \{A, B\} \Leftrightarrow y = A \vee y = B}{\Rightarrow}} x \in A \vee x \in B \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \bigcup B \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\bigcup \{A, B\} = A \bigcup B$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \bigcap \{A, B\} &\Leftrightarrow \forall y \in \{A, B\} \text{ with } x \in y \\ &\stackrel{\Leftrightarrow}{\underset{y \in \{A, B\} \Leftrightarrow y = A \vee y = B}{\Rightarrow}} x \in A \wedge x \in B \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \bigcap B \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\bigcap \{A, B\} = A \bigcap B$$

$\square$

**Theorem 1.60.** If  $\mathcal{A}$  is a class

1. If  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $\bigcap \mathcal{A} \subseteq A$
2. If  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $A \subseteq \bigcup \mathcal{A}$
3. If  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$  we have  $C \subseteq A$  then  $C \subseteq \bigcap \mathcal{A}$
4. If  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$  we have  $A \subseteq C$  then  $\bigcup \mathcal{A} \subseteq C$
5. If  $\mathcal{A} \neq \emptyset$  then  $\bigcap \mathcal{A}$  is a set

**Proof.**

1. Let  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  then if  $x \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}$  we have by definition of  $\bigcap \mathcal{A}$  that  $x \in A$ . Hence  $\bigcap \mathcal{A} \subseteq A$
2. If  $x \in A$  then  $\exists y \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $x \in y$  [take  $y = A$ ] so that  $x \in \bigcup \mathcal{A}$
3. If  $x \in C$  then  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$  we have as  $C \subseteq A$  that  $x \in A$  so that  $x \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}$
4. If  $x \in \bigcup \mathcal{A}$  then  $\exists A \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $x \in A$  which as  $A \subseteq C$  proves that  $x \in C$
5. As  $\mathcal{A} \neq \emptyset$  there exists a  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , which by definition means that  $A$  is a set. Using (1) we have  $\bigcap \mathcal{A} \subseteq A$ , applying then the Axiom of Subsets [axiom: 1.54] it follows that  $\bigcap \mathcal{A}$  is a set.  $\square$

The above is not applicable for unions, however we state the Axiom of Unions that will ensure that  $\bigcup \mathcal{A}$  is a set if  $\mathcal{A}$  is a set

**Axiom 1.61. (Axiom of Unions)** *If  $\mathcal{A}$  is a set then  $\bigcup \mathcal{A}$  is a set*

A consequence of the above axiom is that the union of two sets is a set

**Theorem 1.62.** *Let  $A, B$  be two sets then  $A \cup B$  is a set*

**Proof.** Using the Axiom of Pairing [axiom: 1.36] we have that  $\{A, B\}$  is a set. Further

$$\begin{aligned} x \in A \cup B &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \vee x \in B \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists C \in \{A, B\} \text{ with } x \in C \\ &\Leftrightarrow \bigcup \{A, B\} \end{aligned}$$

proving by the Axiom of Union [axiom: 1.61] we have that  $A \cup B$  is a set.  $\square$

**Definition 1.63.** *Let  $A$  be a set then we use the Axiom of Construction to define  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  by*

$$\mathcal{P}(A) = \{B \mid B \subseteq A\}$$

We introduce now the Axiom of Power Sets to ensure that  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  is a set, called the **power set** of  $A$ .

**Axiom 1.64. (Axiom of Power Sets)** *If  $A$  is a set then  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  is a set*

**Theorem 1.65.** *If  $A$  is a set and  $P(X)$  a predicate then  $\{X \mid X \subseteq A \wedge P(X)\}$  is a set.*

**Proof.** If  $B \in \{X \mid X \subseteq A \wedge P(X)\}$  then  $B \subseteq A$  so that  $B \in \mathcal{P}(A)$ , proving that

$$\{X \mid X \subseteq A \wedge P(X)\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$$

Using the Axiom of Power Sets [axiom: 1.64]  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  is a set, so we can use the Axiom of Subsets to prove that  $\{X \mid X \subseteq A \wedge P(X)\}$  is a set.  $\square$

**Lemma 1.66.** *If  $A, B$  are classes then  $A \times B \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(A \cup B))$*

**Proof.** Let  $z \in A \times B$  then there exists a  $x \in A$  and a  $y \in B$  so that  $z = (x, y)$ . Now if  $e \in \{x\}$  then  $e = x$  proving that  $e \in A$ , hence we have, by definition of the union, that  $\{x\} \subseteq A \cup B$ . By definition of the  $\mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$  set it follows then that

$$\{x\} \in \mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$$

Likewise if  $e \in \{x, y\}$  then either  $e = x \Rightarrow e \in A$  or  $e = y \Rightarrow e \in B$ , hence, by definition of the union, we have  $\{x, y\} \subseteq A \cup B$ . Using the definition  $\mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$  we have then

$$\{x, y\} \in \mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$$

Now if  $e \in \{\{x\}, \{x, y\}\}$  then either  $e = \{x\} \in \mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$  or  $e = \{x, y\} \in \mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$  which proves that  $\{\{x\}, \{x, y\}\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$  or

$$z \in \{\{x\}, \{x, y\}\} \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(A \cup B))$$

giving finally

$$A \times B \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(A \cup B)) \quad \square$$

**Theorem 1.67.** *If  $A$  and  $B$  are sets then  $A \times B$  is a set*

**Proof.** As  $A, B$  are sets we have by [theorem: 1.62] that  $A \cup B$  is a set, using the Axiom of Power sets [axiom: 1.64] it follows that  $\mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$  is a set, using the Axiom of Power sets [axiom: 1.64] again proves that  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(A \cup B))$  is a set. Finally by [lemma: 1.66] we have that  $A \times B \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(A \cup B))$ , which using the Axiom of Subsets [axiom: 1.54] proves that

$$A \times B \text{ is a set} \quad \square$$

# Chapter 2

## Partial Functions and Functions

### 2.1 Pairs and Triples

Although we have already defined the concept of a pair, we can not simple extend this to pairs (and later triples) of classes. If  $A, B$  are pure classes (classes that are not elements) then we can not just form  $(A, B) = \{A, \{B\}\}$  because this would mean that  $A, B$  are elements and not pure classes. So we need another way of forming pairs, triples and so on.

**Definition 2.1.** *If  $A, B$  are classes then  $\langle A, B \rangle$  is defined by  $\langle A, B \rangle = (A \times \{\emptyset\}) \cup (B \times \{\{\emptyset\}\})$*

We show now that from  $\langle A, B \rangle = \langle A', B' \rangle$  it follows that  $A = A' \wedge B = B'$ , first we need some lemma's

**Lemma 2.2.** *We have  $\emptyset \neq \{\emptyset\}$*

**Proof.** Assume that  $\{\emptyset\} = \emptyset$  then, as  $\emptyset \in \{\emptyset\}$  it follows that  $\emptyset$  which is a contradiction, hence

$$\emptyset \neq \{\emptyset\}$$

□

**Lemma 2.3.** *If  $A, B, C, D$  are classes then  $\langle A, B \rangle = \langle C, D \rangle \Leftrightarrow A = C \wedge B = D$*

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . Assume that  $\langle A, B \rangle = \langle C, D \rangle$  then by definition

$$(A \times \{\emptyset\}) \cup (B \times \{\{\emptyset\}\}) = (C \times \{\emptyset\}) \cup (D \times \{\{\emptyset\}\}) \quad (2.1)$$

Let now  $x \in A$  then  $(x, \emptyset) \in (A \times \{\emptyset\})$  so that by the axiom of extent [axiom: 1.5] and [eq: 2.1]

$$(x, \emptyset) \in (C \times \{\emptyset\}) \cup (D \times \{\{\emptyset\}\})$$

which by the definition of the union gives

$$(x, \emptyset) \in C \times \{\emptyset\} \vee (x, \emptyset) \in D \times \{\{\emptyset\}\} \quad (2.2)$$

Now if  $(x, \emptyset) \in D \times \{\{\emptyset\}\}$  then  $\emptyset \in \{\{\emptyset\}\}$  or  $\emptyset = \{\emptyset\}$  which is impossible by [lemma: 2.2] so that by [eq: 2.2] we have  $(x, \emptyset) \in C \times \{\emptyset\}$ , hence  $x \in C$ . This proves that

$$A \subseteq C \quad (2.3)$$

Likewise, let  $x \in C$  then  $(x, \emptyset) \in (C \times \{\emptyset\})$  so that by the axiom of extent [axiom: 1.5] and [eq: 2.1]

$$(x, \emptyset) \in (A \times \{\emptyset\}) \cup (B \times \{\{\emptyset\}\})$$

which by the definition of the union gives

$$(x, \emptyset) \in A \times \{\emptyset\} \vee (x, \emptyset) \in B \times \{\{\emptyset\}\} \quad (2.4)$$

Now if  $(x, \emptyset) \in B \times \{\{\emptyset\}\}$  then  $\emptyset \in \{\{\emptyset\}\}$  or  $\emptyset = \{\emptyset\}$  which is impossible by [lemma: 2.2] so that by [eq: 2.4] we have  $(x, \emptyset) \in A \times \{\emptyset\}$ , hence  $x \in A$ . This proves that

$$C \subseteq A \quad (2.5)$$

Combining [eq: 2.3,2.5] with [theorem: 1.8] proves

$$A = C$$

Further if  $x \in B$  then  $(x, \{\emptyset\}) \in B \times \{\{\emptyset\}\}$  so that by the axiom of extent [axiom: 1.5] and [eq: 2.1]

$$(x, \{\emptyset\}) \in (C \times \{\emptyset\}) \cup (D \times \{\{\emptyset\}\})$$

or using the definition of the union that

$$(x, \{\emptyset\}) \in C \times \{\emptyset\} \vee (x, \{\emptyset\}) \in D \times \{\{\emptyset\}\} \quad (2.6)$$

If  $(x, \{\emptyset\}) \in C \times \{\emptyset\}$  then  $\{\emptyset\} \in \{\emptyset\}$  or  $\{\emptyset\} = \emptyset$  which is impossible by [lemma: 2.2], so by [eq: 2.6] we have that  $(x, \{\emptyset\}) \in D \times \{\{\emptyset\}\}$ , hence  $x \in D$ . This proves that

$$B \subseteq D \quad (2.7)$$

Likewise, if  $x \in D$  then  $(x, \{\emptyset\}) \in D \times \{\{\emptyset\}\}$  so that by the axiom of extent [axiom: 1.5] and [eq: 2.1]

$$(x, \{\emptyset\}) \in (A \times \{\emptyset\}) \cup (B \times \{\{\emptyset\}\})$$

or using the definition of the union that

$$(x, \{\emptyset\}) \in A \times \{\emptyset\} \vee (x, \{\emptyset\}) \in B \times \{\{\emptyset\}\} \quad (2.8)$$

If  $(x, \{\emptyset\}) \in A \times \{\emptyset\}$  then  $\{\emptyset\} \in \{\emptyset\}$  or  $\{\emptyset\} = \emptyset$  which is impossible by [lemma: 2.2], so by [eq: 2.8] we have that  $(x, \{\emptyset\}) \in B \times \{\{\emptyset\}\}$ , hence  $x \in B$ . This proves that

$$D \subseteq B \quad (2.9)$$

Combining [eq: 2.7,2.9] with [theorem: 1.8] proves

$$B = D$$

$\Leftarrow$ . Assume that  $A = C \wedge B = D$  then

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \langle A, B \rangle & \Leftrightarrow x \in (A \times \{\emptyset\}) \cup (B \times \{\{\emptyset\}\}) \\ & \Leftrightarrow x \in A \times \{\emptyset\} \vee x \in B \times \{\{\emptyset\}\} \\ & \Leftrightarrow (x = (a, \emptyset) \wedge a \in A) \vee (x = (b, \{\emptyset\}) \wedge b \in B) \\ & \stackrel{[\text{axiom: 1.5}]}{\Leftrightarrow} (x = (a, \emptyset) \wedge a \in C) \vee (x = (b, \{\emptyset\}) \wedge b \in D) \\ & \Leftrightarrow x \in (C \times \{\emptyset\}) \cup (D \times \{\{\emptyset\}\}) \\ & \Leftrightarrow e \in \langle C, D \rangle \end{aligned}$$

so that by the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5]

$$\langle A, B \rangle = \langle C, D \rangle \quad \square$$

We can now easily extend  $\langle A, B \rangle$  to a triple  $\langle A, B, C \rangle$ .

**Definition 2.4.** Let  $A, B, C$  be classes then  $\langle A, B, C \rangle$  is defined by

$$\langle A, B, C \rangle = \langle \langle A, B \rangle, C \rangle$$

**Lemma 2.5.** Let  $A, B, C, D, E, F$  be classes then

$$\langle A, B, C \rangle = \langle D, E, F \rangle \Leftrightarrow A = D \wedge B = E \wedge C = F$$

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . Assume that  $\langle A, B, C \rangle = \langle D, E, F \rangle$  then by definition  $\langle \langle A, B \rangle, C \rangle = \langle \langle D, E \rangle, F \rangle$ , by [lemma: 2.3] then  $C = F \wedge \langle A, B \rangle = \langle D, E \rangle$ , using [lemma: 2.3] again proves then  $A = D \wedge B = E$ .



←. Assume that  $A = D \wedge B = E \wedge C = F$  then by [lemma: 2.3]  $\langle A, B \rangle = \langle D, E \rangle$ , using [lemma: 2.3] again we have  $\langle \langle A, B \rangle, C \rangle = \langle \langle D, E \rangle, F \rangle$  which by definition proves that

$$\langle A, B, C \rangle = \langle D, E, F \rangle \quad \square$$

## 2.2 Partial functions and Functions

The concept of a function as a mapping of one value to a unique value is used throughout mathematics, especially in analysis, which is essentially a theory of functions. Note that a function maps a value  $x$  to a **unique** value  $y$  which in the context of a set theory defines a pair  $(x, y)$ . This leads to the following definition of a graph.

### 2.2.1 Partial function

**Definition 2.6. (Graph)** A graph is a sub class of  $\mathcal{U} \times \mathcal{U}$ , or in other words a graph is a collection of pairs.

**Definition 2.7.** A triple  $\langle A, B, f \rangle$  where  $A, B$  are classes and  $f$  a graph is a **partial function between A and B** if

1.  $f \subseteq A \times B$
2. If  $(x, y) \in f \wedge (x, y') \in f$  then  $y = y'$

We call  $A$  the **source** of the partial function,  $B$  the **destination** of the partial function and  $f$  the **graph** of the partial function.

**Remark 2.8.** Instead of writing  $\langle A, B, f \rangle$  for a partial function between  $A$  and  $B$  we use the notation  $f: A \rightarrow B$  or  $A \xrightarrow{f} B$ . Further the condition (2) ensures that only one value can be associated with  $x$ . So it is useful to use a special notation for this unique value, especially if we have an expression to calculate this unique value.

**Definition 2.9.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a partial function then  $(x, y) \in f$  is equivalent with  $y = f(x)$

From now on we will use the Axiom of Construction [axiom: 1.9] to define different classes related to partial functions without explicitly mentioning this. It is assumed that the reader understand when to use this axiom.

**Definition 2.10.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a partial function then its domain noted as  $\text{dom}(f)$  and range noted as  $\text{range}(f)$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{dom}(f) &= \{x | \exists y \text{ such that } (x, y) \in f\} \\ \text{range}(f) &= \{y | \exists x \text{ such that } (x, y) \in f\} \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.11.** If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a partial function then  $\text{dom}(f) \subseteq A$  and  $\text{range}(f) \subseteq B$

**Proof.** If  $x \in \text{dom}(f)$  then  $\exists y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f \xrightarrow{f \subseteq A \times B} (x, y) \in A \times B$  proving that  $x \in A$ , hence

$$\text{dom}(f) \subseteq A$$

Further if  $y \in \text{range}(f)$  then  $\exists x$  such that  $(x, y) \in f \xrightarrow{f \subseteq A \times B} (x, y) \in A \times B$  proving that  $y \in B$ , hence

$$\text{range}(f) \subseteq B \quad \square$$

**Corollary 2.12.** If  $A, B$  are sets and  $f: A \rightarrow B$  a partial function then  $\text{dom}(f)$  and  $\text{range}(f)$  are sets

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 2.11] we have that  $\text{dom}(f) \subseteq A$  and  $\text{range}(f) \subseteq B$ , so applying the Axiom of Subsets [axiom: 1.54] proves that  $\text{dom}(f)$  and  $\text{range}(f)$  are sets.  $\square$

**Definition 2.13.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a partial function and  $C$  a class such that  $C \subseteq A$  then **the image of  $C$  by  $f$**  noted as  $f(C)$  is defined by

$$f(C) = \{y | \exists x \in C \text{ such that } (x, y) \in f\}$$

**Remark 2.14.** Note that we use a conflicting notation here. On one hand  $y = f(x)$  can be interpreted as  $(x, y) \in f$ , on the other hand it can also mean that  $y$  is the image of  $x$  by  $f$ . We adopt the following convention. If lower cases are used as in  $y = f(x)$  we interpret this as  $(x, y) \in f$  and if we use uppercase like in  $f(C)$  we are talking about images. In case of doubt  $(f)(C)$  always refers to the image.

**Definition 2.15.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a partial function and  $C$  a class then **the preimage of  $C$  by  $f$**  noted as  $f^{-1}(C)$  is defined by

$$f^{-1}(C) = \{x | \exists y \in C \text{ such that } (x, y) \in f\}$$

**Note 2.16.** In contrast with most text books we do not require that  $C \subseteq B$ , this will give us more flexibility if we compose partial functions.

**Theorem 2.17.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a partial function,  $C \subseteq A$  and  $D$  a class then we have:

1.  $f(C) \subseteq \text{range}(f)$
2.  $f^{-1}(D) \subseteq \text{dom}(f)$
3.  $f(A) = \text{range}(f)$
4.  $f^{-1}(B) = \text{dom}(f)$
5. If  $E \subseteq C$  then  $f(E) \subseteq f(C)$
6. If  $E \subseteq D$  then  $f^{-1}(E) \subseteq f^{-1}(D)$

and if in addition  $A, B$  are sets then  $f(C)$  and  $f^{-1}(D)$  are sets

**Proof.**

1. If  $y \in f(C)$  then there exists a  $x \in C$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , so  $y \in \text{range}(f)$ . Hence

$$f(C) \subseteq \text{range}(f)$$

2. If  $x \in f^{-1}(D)$  then there exists a  $y \in D$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , which proves that  $x \in \text{dom}(f)$ , hence

$$f^{-1}(D) \subseteq \text{dom}(f)$$

3. If  $y \in \text{range}(f)$  then  $\exists x$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , which as  $f \subseteq A \times B$  proves that  $x \in A$ , hence  $y \in f(A)$ , or  $\text{range}(f) \subseteq f(A)$ . From (1) we have  $f(A) \subseteq \text{range}(f)$ , so using [theorem: 1.8]

$$f(A) = \text{range}(f)$$

4. If  $x \in \text{dom}(f)$  then  $\exists y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , which as  $f \subseteq A \times B$  proves that  $y \in B$ , giving  $x \in f^{-1}(B)$ , hence  $\text{dom}(f) \subseteq f^{-1}(B)$ . From (2) we have  $f^{-1}(B) \subseteq \text{dom}(f)$ , so using [theorem: 1.8]

$$f^{-1}(B) = \text{dom}(f)$$

5. If  $y \in f(E)$  then  $\exists x \in E$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , as  $E \subseteq C$  we have  $x \in C$  and still  $(x, y) \in f$  so that  $y \in f(C)$  proving

$$f(E) \subseteq f(C)$$

6. If  $x \in f^{-1}(E)$  then  $\exists y \in E$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , as  $E \subseteq D$  we have  $y \in D$  and still  $(x, y) \in f$  so that  $x \in f^{-1}(D)$  proving

$$f^{-1}(E) \subseteq f^{-1}(D)$$

Finally if  $A, B$  are sets then using [theorem: 2.12]  $\text{range}(f)$  and  $\text{dom}(f)$  are sets, applying then the Axiom of Subsets [axiom: 1.54] proves that  $f(C)$  and  $f^{-1}(D)$  are sets.  $\square$

Next we define the composition of two partial functions.

**Definition 2.18. (Composition of graphs)** Let  $f, g$  be two graphs then  $f \circ g$  is defined by

$$g \circ f = \{z \mid z = (x, y) \text{ such that } \exists u \text{ with } (x, u) \in f \wedge (u, y) \in g\}$$

**Theorem 2.19.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  be partial functions then

$$g \circ f: A \rightarrow D$$

is a partial function. We call  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow D$  the **composition** of  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$

**Proof.** If  $(x, y) \in g \circ f$  then there exist a  $u$  such that  $(x, u) \in f$  and  $(u, y) \in g$ , as  $f, g$  are partial functions we have that  $f \subseteq A \times B$  and  $g \subseteq C \times D$ . So  $(x, u) \in A \times B$  and  $(u, y) \in C \times D$ . So  $x \in A$  and  $y \in D$  proving that  $(x, y) \in A \times D$ . Hence

$$g \circ f \subseteq A \times D$$

Further if  $(x, y) \in g \circ f \wedge (x, y') \in g \circ f$  then there exists  $u, v$  such that  $(x, u) \in f \wedge (u, y) \in g \wedge (x, v) \in f \wedge (v, y') \in g$ . From  $(x, u) \in f \wedge (x, v) \in f$  it follows [as  $f$  is a partial function] that  $u = v$ . So  $(u, y) \stackrel{u=v}{=} (u, y') \in g$ . Hence as  $g$  is a partial function it follows that  $y = y'$ . To summarize

$$\text{If } (x, y) \in g \circ f \wedge (x, y') \in g \circ f \text{ then } y = y'$$

So all the requirements for  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow D$  to be a partial function are satisfied.  $\square$

**Note 2.20.** In contrast with most textbooks we do not require that  $B = C$  in this theorem, there is no need for this because for partial functions  $\text{dom}(f \circ g)$  can be different from  $A$ . Later we will compose functions and then we will need an extra condition for  $C$ .

**Theorem 2.21. (Associativity of Composition)** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B, g: C \rightarrow D$  and  $h: E \rightarrow F$  be partial functions then  $h \circ (g \circ f) = (h \circ g) \circ f$

**Proof.** If  $(x, z) \in h \circ (g \circ f)$  then  $\exists u$  such that  $(x, u) \in g \circ f$  and  $(u, z) \in h$ . As  $(x, u) \in g \circ f$  there exists a  $v$  such that  $(x, v) \in f$  and  $(v, u) \in g$ . As  $(v, u) \in g \wedge (u, z) \in h$  we have that  $(v, z) \in h \circ g$ , as  $(x, v) \in f$  it follows  $(x, z) \in (h \circ g) \circ f$ .

If  $(x, z) \in (h \circ g) \circ f$  then  $\exists u$  such that  $(x, u) \in f$  and  $(u, z) \in h \circ g$ . As  $(u, z) \in h \circ g$  there  $\exists v$  such that  $(u, v) \in g$  and  $(v, z) \in h$ . From  $(x, u) \in f$  and  $(u, v) \in g$  we have that  $(x, v) \in g \circ f$ . As  $(v, z) \in h$  we have that  $(x, z) \in h \circ (g \circ f)$ .

Using the Axiom of Extension [axiom: 1.5] it follows that

$$h \circ (g \circ f) = (h \circ g) \circ f \quad \square$$

Let's look now at the domain and range of the composition of two partial functions.

**Theorem 2.22.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  be partial functions then for  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow D$  we have

1.  $\text{dom}(g \circ f) = \text{dom}(f) \cap f^{-1}(\text{dom}(g))$
2.  $\text{range}(g \circ f) = g(\text{range}(f) \cap \text{dom}(g))$
3.  $\text{range}(g \circ f) \subseteq \text{range}(g)$

**Proof.**

1. If  $x \in \text{dom}(g \circ f)$  then there exist a  $z$  such that  $(x, z) \in g \circ f$ . So there exist a  $y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$  and  $(y, z) \in g$ , hence  $x \in \text{dom}(f)$  and  $y \in \text{dom}(g) \stackrel{(x,y) \in f}{\Rightarrow} x \in f^{-1}(\text{dom}(g))$ . So  $x \in \text{dom}(f) \cap f^{-1}(\text{dom}(g))$ . Hence

$$\text{dom}(g \circ f) \subseteq \text{dom}(f) \cap f^{-1}(\text{dom}(g)) \quad (2.10)$$

If  $x \in \text{dom}(f) \cap f^{-1}(\text{dom}(g))$  then  $x \in \text{dom}(f)$  so that  $\exists y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$  and  $x \in f^{-1}(\text{dom}(g))$  so that  $\exists y' \in \text{dom}(g)$  such that  $(x, y') \in f$ . As  $f$  is a partial function it follows that  $y = y'$ . So  $y \in \text{dom}(g)$ , from which it follows that  $\exists z$  such that  $(y, z) \in g$ . As we have  $(x, y) \in f$  and  $(y, z) \in g$  it follows that  $(x, z) \in g \circ f$  or  $x \in \text{dom}(g \circ f)$ . This proves that  $\text{dom}(f) \cap f^{-1}(\text{dom}(g)) \subseteq \text{dom}(g \circ f)$ , combining this with [eq: 2.10] allows us to use [theorem: 1.8] to get

$$\text{dom}(g \circ f) = \text{dom}(f) \cap f^{-1}(\text{dom}(g))$$

2. If  $z \in \text{range}(g \circ f)$  then there exists a  $x \in A$  such that  $(x, z) \in g \circ f$ , so there exist a  $y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f \wedge (y, z) \in g$ . Then  $y \in \text{range}(f)$  and  $y \in \text{dom}(g)$  or  $y \in \text{range}(f) \cap \text{dom}(g)$ , which as  $(y, z) \in g$  proves that  $z \in g(\text{range}(f) \cap \text{dom}(g))$ . Hence

$$\text{range}(g \circ f) \subseteq g(\text{range}(f) \cap \text{dom}(g)) \quad (2.11)$$

If  $z \in g(\text{range}(f) \cap \text{dom}(g))$  then  $\exists y \in \text{range}(f) \cap \text{dom}(g)$  such that  $(y, z) \in g$ . From  $y \in \text{range}(f)$  it follows that there exist a  $x$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . So  $(x, z) \in g \circ f$  proving that  $x \in \text{range}(g \circ f)$ , hence  $g(\text{range}(f) \cap \text{dom}(g)) \subseteq \text{range}(g \circ f)$ . Combining this with [eq: 2.11] allows us to use [theorem: 1.8] to get

$$\text{range}(g \circ f) = g(\text{range}(f) \cap \text{dom}(g))$$

3. If  $z \in \text{range}(g \circ f)$  then there exists a  $x$  such that  $(x, z) \in g \circ f$ , so there exists a  $y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f \wedge (y, z) \in g$ . Hence  $z \in \text{range}(g)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.23.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  are partial functions then we have*

1. *If  $E \subseteq A$  then  $(g \circ f)(E) = g(f(E))$*
2. *If  $E \subseteq D$  then  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(E) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(E))$*

**Proof.**

1. If  $z \in (g \circ f)(E)$  then there exists a  $x \in E$  such that  $(x, z) \in g \circ f$ . So by definition there exist a  $y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f \wedge (y, z) \in g$ . From  $(x, y) \in f$  it follows that  $y \in f(E)$  and as  $(y, z) \in g$  it follows that  $z \in g(f(E))$ . Hence

$$(g \circ f)(E) \subseteq g(f(E)) \quad (2.12)$$

On the other hand if  $z \in g(f(E))$  there exist a  $y \in f(E)$  such that  $(y, z) \in g$ . As  $y \in f(E)$  there exist a  $x \in E$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . From  $(x, y) \in f \wedge (y, z) \in g$  it follows that  $(x, z) \in g \circ f$  so that [as  $x \in E$ ]  $z \in (g \circ f)(E)$ . Proving  $g(f(E)) \subseteq (g \circ f)(E)$ , combining this with [eq 2.12] and [theorem: 1.8] gives

$$(g \circ f)(E) = g(f(E))$$

2. If  $x \in (g \circ f)^{-1}(E)$  then there exist a  $z \in E$  such that  $(x, z) \in g \circ f$ , hence  $\exists y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f \wedge (y, z) \in g$ . So by definition  $y \in g^{-1}(E)$  and as  $(x, y) \in f$  it follows that  $x \in f^{-1}(g^{-1}(E))$ . Hence

$$(g \circ f)^{-1}(E) \subseteq f^{-1}(g^{-1}(E)) \quad (2.13)$$

If  $x \in f^{-1}(g^{-1}(E))$  then there exist a  $y \in g^{-1}(E)$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , as  $y \in g^{-1}(E)$  then there exist a  $z \in E$  such that  $(y, z) \in g$ . From  $z \in E \wedge (x, y) \in f \wedge (y, z) \in g$  it follows that  $x \in (g \circ f)^{-1}(E)$  proving that  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(E)) \subseteq (g \circ f)^{-1}(E)$ . Combining this with [eq: 2.13] and [theorem: 1.8] gives

$$(g \circ f)^{-1}(E) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(E)) \quad \square$$

## 2.2.2 Functions

**Definition 2.24.** *A partial function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a **function** iff  $\text{dom}(f) = A$*

So every function is also a partial function, hence statements about partial functions applies also for functions. One special benefit of functions is the following.

**Theorem 2.25.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function then for  $C \subseteq A$  we have  $C \subseteq f^{-1}(f(C))$ .*

**Proof.** If  $x \in C \subseteq A$  then as  $A = \text{dom}(f)$  there exist a  $y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$  so that  $y \in f(C)$ , which as  $(x, y) \in f$  proves that  $x \in f^{-1}(f(C))$ . Hence we have  $C \subseteq f^{-1}(f(C))$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 2.26.** *A partial function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function iff  $A \subseteq \text{dom}(f)$*

**Proof.** As  $A \subseteq \text{dom}(f)$  and  $\text{dom}(f) \subseteq A$  [theorem: 2.11] we have by [theorem: 1.8] that

$$\text{dom}(f) = A \quad \square$$

**Example 2.27.** Let  $A, B$  be elements and define  $f = \{(0, A), (1, B)\}$  then  $f: \{0, 1\} \rightarrow \{A, B\}$  is a function

**Proof.** If  $(x, y) \in f$  then

$$(x, y) = (0, A) \Rightarrow x = 0 \in \{0, 1\} \wedge y = A \in \{A, B\} \text{ so that } (x, y) \in \{0, 1\} \times \{A, B\}$$

or

$$(x, y) = (1, B) \Rightarrow x = 1 \in \{0, 1\} \wedge y = B \in \{A, B\} \text{ so that } (x, y) \in \{0, 1\} \times \{A, B\}$$

proving that

$$f \subseteq \{0, 1\} \times \{A, B\}$$

If  $(x, y), (x, y') \in f$  then for  $(x, y)$  we have either:

$(x, y) = (0, A)$ . Then  $x = 0$  and  $y = A$  so that  $(x', y') = (0, y') \in f \Rightarrow y' = A$  hence  $y = y'$

$(x, y) = (1, B)$ . Then  $x = 1$  and  $y = B$  so that  $(x', y') = (1, y') \in f \Rightarrow y' = B$  hence  $y = y'$

which proves that

$$f: \{0, 1\} \rightarrow \{A, B\} \text{ is a partial function}$$

If  $x \in \{0, 1\}$  then either  $x = 0$  so that  $(0, A) \in f$  or  $x = 1$  so that  $(1, B) \in f$ , so  $\{0, 1\} \subseteq \text{dom}(f)$ . Using [proposition: 2.26] it follows that

$$f: \{0, 1\} \rightarrow \{A, B\} \text{ is a function} \quad \square$$

Although the composition of functions  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  is a partial function [see theorem: 2.19], it does not have to be a function as we need the extra requirement that  $\text{dom}(g \circ f) = A$ . So we must have a extra condition on  $C$ . This is expressed in the following theorem,

**Theorem 2.28.** *Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  functions with  $f(A) \subseteq C$  then  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow D$  is also a function with  $\text{range}(g \circ f) = g(\text{range}(f))$*

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 2.19] we have that

$$g \circ f: A \rightarrow D \text{ is a partial function}$$

Using [theorem: 2.25] we have that  $A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A))$  and by [theorem: 2.17] together with  $f(A) \subseteq C$  we have  $f^{-1}(f(A)) \subseteq f^{-1}(C)$  proving that

$$A \subseteq f^{-1}(C) \quad (2.14)$$

Further using [theorem: 2.22] we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{dom}(g \circ f) &= \text{dom}(f) \cap f^{-1}(\text{dom}(g)) \\ &\stackrel{f, g \text{ are functions}}{=} A \cap f^{-1}(C) \\ &\stackrel{[theorem: 2.14]}{=} A \end{aligned}$$

which proves that

$$g \circ f \text{ is a function}$$

Finally

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{range}(g \circ f) &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.22}]}{=} g(\text{range}(f) \cap \text{dom}(g)) \\
 &\stackrel{f \text{ is a function}}{=} g(\text{range}(f) \cap C) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.17}]}{=} g(f(A) \cap C) \\
 &\stackrel{f(A) \subseteq C}{=} g(f(A)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.17}]}{=} g(\text{range}(f)) \\
 &\quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

Next we define the class of all the graphs of functions between two classes

**Note 2.29.** Be aware that some books call partial functions functions and functions mappings.

**Definition 2.30.** Let  $A, B$  be two classes then we define the class  $B^A$  [using the Axiom of Construction] as

$$B^A = \{f \mid f: A \rightarrow B \text{ is a function}\}$$

**Note 2.31.**  $B^A$  is not the class of functions between  $A$  and  $B$ , but the class of graphs of functions between  $A$  and  $B$ . This distinction is important because it makes the following theorem possible.

**Example 2.32.** Let  $A$  be a class then  $A^\emptyset = \{\emptyset\}$

**Proof.** Let  $f \in A^\emptyset$  then  $f: \emptyset \Rightarrow A$  is a function, so that  $f \subseteq \emptyset \times A = \emptyset$  or  $f = \emptyset$  □

**Lemma 2.33.** If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function and  $B \subseteq C$  then  $f: A \rightarrow C$  is a function

**Proof.** As  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function we have  $f \subseteq A \times B$  which as by [theorem: 1.48]  $A \times B \subseteq A \times C$  means that  $f \subseteq A \times C$ . Further as  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function we have also  $\text{dom}(f) = A$  and if  $(x, y), (x, y') \in f$  then  $y = y'$ . So by definition  $f: A \rightarrow C$  is a function. □

**Theorem 2.34.** Let  $A, B, C$  be classes such that  $B \subseteq C$  then  $B^A \subseteq C^A$

**Proof.** Let  $f \in B^A$  then  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function, using the above lemma [lemma: 2.33] we have that  $f: A \rightarrow C$  is a function, hence  $f \in C^A$  proving that

$$B^A \subseteq C^A \quad \square$$

We have also the following relation between  $A \times B$  and  $B^C$

**Theorem 2.35.** Let  $A, B$  be two classes then we have:

1.  $B^A \subseteq A \times B$
2. If  $A, B$  are sets then  $B^A$  is a set

**Proof.**

1. If  $f \in B^A$  then  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function so that  $f \subseteq A \times B$  proving that  $B^A \subseteq A \times B$
2. If  $A, B$  are sets then by [theorem: 1.67] we have that  $A \times B$  is a set. So using the Axiom of Subsets [axiom: 1.54] we have that  $f$  is a set, □

**Theorem 2.36.** Let  $A, B, C$  be classes then  $A^C \cap B^C = (A \cap B)^C$

**Proof.** First by [theorem: 1.25] we have  $A \cap B \subseteq A$  and  $A \cap B \subseteq B$  it follows from the above theorem [theorem: 2.34] that  $(A \cap B)^C \subseteq A^C$  and  $(A \cap B)^C \subseteq B^C$ . Applying then [theorem: 1.26] gives

$$(A \cap B)^C \subseteq A^C \cap B^C \quad (2.15)$$

For the opposite inclusion, let  $f \in A^C \cap B^C$  then  $f \in A^C \wedge f \in B^C$  so that  $f: C \rightarrow A$  and  $f: C \rightarrow B$  are functions. Then we have that  $f \subseteq C \times A$  and  $f \subseteq C \times B$  so that

$$f \subseteq (C \times A) \cap (C \times B) \stackrel{1.49}{=} (C \cap C) \times (A \cap B) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.30}]}{=} C \times (A \cap B)$$

Further as  $f: A \rightarrow C$  is a function we have  $(x, y), (x, y') \in f$  and  $\text{dom}(f) = C$  so that

$$f: C \rightarrow (A \cap B) \text{ is a function}$$

proving that  $f \in (A \cap B)^I$ . So  $A^C \cap B^C \subseteq (A \cap B)^C$  which combined with [eq: 2.15] gives

$$A^C \cap B^C = (A \cap B)^C \quad \square$$

We have the follow trivial fact about a function

**Proposition 2.37.** *Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a function then if  $\text{range}(f) \subseteq C$  we have that  $f: A \rightarrow C$  is a function.*

**Proof.** If  $(x, y) \in f$  then  $y \in \text{range}(f)$  hence as  $\text{range}(f) \subseteq C$   $y \in C$ . As  $f \subseteq A \times B$  we have also  $x \in A$  so that  $(x, y) \in C \times B$ . Hence  $f \subseteq A \times C$ , further if  $(x, y), (x, y') \in f$  we have as  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function that  $y = y'$ . So

$$f: A \rightarrow C \text{ is a partial function}$$

As  $\text{range}(f) = A$  (because  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function] we have that  $f: A \rightarrow C$  a function  $\square$

We have the following trivial proposition about the equality of two functions

**Proposition 2.38.** *Two functions  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: A \rightarrow B$  are equal if*

$$[(x, y) \in f \Rightarrow (x, y) \in g \wedge (x, y) \in g \Rightarrow (x, y) \in f]$$

**Proof.** Note that the statement  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: A \rightarrow B$  are equal is equivalent with  $\langle A, B, f \rangle = \langle A, B, g \rangle$ , which by 2.5 is equivalent with  $A = A \wedge B = B \wedge f = g$ . As  $A = A$  and  $B = B$  are true this is equivalent with  $f = g$ . Now by the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] we have that

$$f = g \Leftrightarrow [(x, y) \in f \Rightarrow (x, y) \in g \wedge (x, y) \in g \Rightarrow (x, y) \in f] \quad \square$$

If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function then for every  $x \in A$  we have a unique  $y \in B$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . Furthermore in many cases we have actually a expression valid for every  $x \in A$  to calculate this unique value. To express this we use the following notation.

**Definition 2.39.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function then*

$$y = f(x) \text{ or } f(x) = y \text{ is equivalent with } (x, y) \in f$$

and

$$f(x) = E(x) \text{ where } E(x) \text{ is a expression depending on } x \text{ is equivalent with } (x, E(x)) \in f$$

Further if  $D \subseteq B$  then  $f(x) \in D$  is the same as  $\exists y \in D$  such that  $y = f(x)$  or  $(x, y) \in f$

**Example 2.40.** Let  $3 \cdot x + 1$  be the value associated with  $x$ , so  $f = \{z | z = (x, 3 \cdot x + 1) \in f \wedge x \in A\}$ , then we can use the following equivalent notations to define our function

$$f: A \rightarrow B \text{ is defined by } x \rightarrow 3 \cdot x + 1$$

If we have defined a function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  using a expression and we want to refer to the expression of the function we use the notation  $f(x)$ . Hence we define a function also as

$$f: A \rightarrow B \text{ is defined by } x \rightarrow f(x) = 3 \cdot x + 1$$

or

$$f: A \rightarrow B \text{ is defined by } x \rightarrow f(x) \text{ where } f(x) = 3 \cdot x + 1$$

or

$$f: A \rightarrow B \text{ is defined by } f(x) = 3 \cdot x + 1$$

In all of the above cases we actually means that  $\langle f, A, B \rangle$  is a function with  $f = \{z \mid z = (x, 3 \cdot x + 1) \wedge x \in A\}$ .

Using the above notation we can reformulate [proposition: 2.38] in a form that is easier to work with if we use expressions to define a function.

**Proposition 2.41.** *Two functions  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: A \rightarrow B$  are equal if and only if*

$$\forall x \in A \quad f(x) = g(x)$$

**Proof.** Assume that  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: A \rightarrow B$  are equal then if  $x \in A$  we have  $\exists y \in B$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$  or  $y = f(x)$ , using [proposition: 2.38] we have also  $(x, y) \in g$  hence  $y = g(x)$  which proves that  $f(x) = g(x)$ .

On the other hand assume that  $\forall x \in A \quad f(x) = g(x)$  then if  $(x, y) \in f$  we have  $y = f(x) = g(x)$  so that  $(x, y) \in g$ . If  $(x, y) \in g$  then  $y = g(x) = f(x)$  or  $(x, y) \in f$ . Using [proposition: 2.38] we have then that  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: A \rightarrow B$  are equal.  $\square$

Using the new notation, composition of function is written as

**Theorem 2.42.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  are two functions with  $f(A) \subseteq C$  then*

$$(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$$

**Proof.** Take  $z = (g \circ f)(x)$  then  $(x, z) \in g \circ f$  so that  $\exists y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$  and  $(y, z) \in g$ . Hence  $y = f(x)$  and  $z = g(y)$  so that  $z = g(f(x))$ , proving  $(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$ .  $\square$

Image and pre-image can also be expressed in the new notation.

**Proposition 2.43.** *Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  a function,  $C \subseteq A$  and  $D \subseteq B$  then*

1.  $y \in f(C) \Leftrightarrow \exists x \in A \text{ such that } y = f(x)$
2.  $x \in f^{-1}(D) \Leftrightarrow f(x) \in D$

**Proof.**

1.

$$\begin{aligned} y \in f(C) &\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in C \text{ such that } (x, y) \in f \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in C \text{ such that } y = f(x) \end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in f^{-1}(D) &\Leftrightarrow \exists y \in D \text{ such that } (x, y) \in f \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists y \in D \text{ such that } y = f(x) \\ &\Leftrightarrow f(x) \in D \end{aligned}$$

$\square$

Let's now look at some example of functions:

**Example 2.44. (Empty Function)**  $\emptyset: \emptyset \rightarrow B$

**Proof.** First  $\emptyset \subseteq \emptyset \times B$  by [theorem: 1.18], if  $x \in \text{dom}(\emptyset)$  then  $\exists y \in \emptyset$  such that  $(x, y) \in \emptyset$  which is a contradiction, so by [theorem: 1.19] we have that  $\text{dom}(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ . And finally  $(x, y) \in \emptyset \wedge (x, y') \in \emptyset \Rightarrow y = y'$  is satisfied vacuously as  $(x, y) \in \emptyset \wedge (x, y') \in \emptyset$  is never true.  $\square$

**Example 2.45. (Constant Function)** Let  $A, B$  classes and  $c \in B$  then  $C_c: A \rightarrow B$  is defined by  $C_c(x) = c$  or formally  $C_c = \{z \mid z = (x, c) \mid x \in A\} = A \times \{c\}$



**Proof.** If  $(x, y) \in C_c$  then  $x \in A$  and  $y = c \in B$  so that  $C_c \subseteq A \times B$ . If  $(x, y) \in C_c \wedge (x, y') \in C_c$  then  $y = c \wedge y' = c$  so that  $y = y'$ . So

$C_c: A \rightarrow B$  is a partial function

Finally if  $x \in A$  then  $(x, c) \in C_c$  so that  $A \subseteq \text{dom}(C_c)$  which by [proposition: 2.26] proves that

$C_c: A \rightarrow B$  is a function □

**Example 2.46. (Characteristics Function)** Let  $A$  be a class and  $B \subseteq A$  then  $\mathcal{X}_{A,B}: A \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is defined by  $\mathcal{X}_{A,B} = (B \times \{1\}) \cup ((A \setminus B) \times \{0\})$  [so that  $\mathcal{X}_{A,B}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in B \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in A \setminus B \end{cases}$ ]

**Proof.** If  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{X}_{A,B}$  then either  $(x, y) \in (B \times \{1\}) \Rightarrow x \in B \xrightarrow{B \subseteq A} x \in A$  and  $y = 1 \in \{0, 1\}$  or  $(x, y) \in ((A \setminus B), \{0\}) \Rightarrow x \in A \setminus B \Rightarrow x \in A$  and  $y = 0 \in \{0, 1\}$  so that

$$\mathcal{X}_{A,B} \subseteq A \times \{0, 1\}$$

Also if  $(x, y), (x, y') \in \mathcal{X}_{A,B}$  then for  $(x, y)$  we have either:

$(x, y) \in B \times \{1\}$ . then  $x \in B$  so that  $(x, y') \in B \times \{1\}$  hence  $y = 1 = y'$

$(x, y) \in (A \setminus B) \times \{0\}$ . then  $x \in A \setminus B$  so that  $(x, y') \in (A \setminus B) \times \{0\}$  hence  $y = 0 = y'$

or in all cases  $y = y'$  and  $x \in B \cup (A \setminus B) = A$ . Hence  $\mathcal{X}_{A,B}: A \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is a function. □

**Example 2.47. (Identity Function)** Let  $A$  be a class then  $\text{Id}_A: A \rightarrow A$  is defined by

$$I_A = \{z | z = (x, x) \wedge x \in A\}$$

**Proof.** Trivially we have  $\text{Id}_A \subseteq A \times A$ . If  $(x, y), (x, y') \in \text{Id}_A$  then  $(x, y) = (x, x) = (x, y')$  proving that  $y = x = y'$ . Hence  $\text{Id}_A: A \rightarrow A$  is a partial function. Further if  $x \in A$  then  $(x, x) \in \text{Id}_A$  so that  $x \in \text{dom}(\text{Id}_A)$  or  $\text{dom}(\text{Id}_A) \subseteq A$  which by [proposition: 2.26] proves that

$\text{Id}_A: A \rightarrow A$  is a function □

**Proposition 2.48.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a partial function then  $f = f \circ \text{Id}_A$  and  $f = \text{Id}_B \circ f$

**Proof.**

1. If  $(x, y) \in f$  then as  $f \subseteq A \times B$  we have  $x \in A \wedge x \in B$ , by the definition of  $\text{Id}_A$  we have  $(x, x) \in \text{Id}_A$ , as  $(x, y) \in f$  we have  $(x, y) \in \text{Id}_A \circ f$ . If  $(x, y) \in f \circ \text{Id}_A$  then  $\exists x'$  such that  $(x, x') \in \text{Id}_A \wedge (x', y) \in f$ . By definition of  $\text{Id}_A$  we have that  $\exists z \in A$  such that  $(x, x') = (z, z)$  hence  $x = x'$  so that  $(x, y) \in f$ . Using the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] we have then that

$$f = f \circ \text{Id}_A$$

2. If  $(x, y) \in f$  then as  $f \subseteq A \times B$  we have  $x \in A \wedge x \in B$ , by the definition of  $\text{Id}_B$  we have  $(y, y) \in \text{Id}_B$ , so  $(x, y) \in \text{Id}_B \circ f$ . If  $(x, y) \in \text{Id}_B \circ f$  then  $\exists y'$  such that  $(x, y') \in f \wedge (y, y') \in \text{Id}_B$ , from the definition of  $\text{Id}_B$  we have that  $y = y'$  so that  $(x, y) \in f$ . Using the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] we have then that

$$f = \text{Id}_B \circ f □$$

As a function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a partial function with  $\text{dom}(f) = A$  we can refine [theorem: 2.17].

**Theorem 2.49.** If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function  $C \subseteq B$  and  $D \subseteq B$  then we have

1.  $f(C) \subseteq B$
2.  $f^{-1}(D) \subseteq A$
3.  $f(A) = \text{range}(f)$
4.  $f^{-1}(B) = A$

**Proof.** This follows from 2.17 taking in account that  $A = \text{dom}(f)$  □

### 2.2.3 Injectivity, Surjectivity and bijectivity

First we define injectivity and surjectivity of partial functions.

**Definition 2.50.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a partial function then we say that:

1.  $f$  is **injective** iff if  $(x, y) \in f \wedge (x', y) \in f$  implies  $x = x'$
2.  $f$  is **surjective** iff  $\text{range}(f) = B$

**Proposition 2.51.** A partial function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is surjective if  $B \subseteq \text{range}(f)$

**Proof.** By [theorem: 2.11]  $\text{range}(f) \subseteq B$ , so if  $B \subseteq \text{range}(f)$  it follows from [theorem: 1.8] that  $B = \text{range}(f)$ , proving surjectivity. □

Using the notation  $y = f(x)$  is the same as  $(x, y) \in f$  we have

**Theorem 2.52.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a function then

1.  $f$  is injective if and only if  $\forall x, x' \in A$  with  $f(x) = f(x')$  we have  $x = x'$
2. If  $B \subseteq C$  and  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is injective then  $f: A \rightarrow C$  is injective
3.  $f$  is surjective if and only if  $\forall y \in B$  there exists a  $x \in A$  such that  $y = f(x)$

**Proof.**

1.

$\Rightarrow$ . Let  $x, x' \in A$  then if  $y = f(x) = f(x')$  we have  $(x, y) \in f$  and  $(x', y) \in f$  so that  $x = x'$   
 $\Leftarrow$ . If  $(x, y) \in f$  and  $(x', y) \in f$  then  $y = f(x) \wedge y = f(x')$  so that  $f(x) = f(x')$  so that  $x = x'$

2. This is trivial because injectivity is a property of the graph of a function.

3.

$\Rightarrow$ . As  $B = \text{range}(f)$  we have  $y \in B$  then  $\exists x$  such that  $(x, y) \in f \Rightarrow y = f(x)$  which as  $f \subseteq A \times B$  proves that  $x \in A$ . So  $\forall y \in B \exists x \in A$  such that  $y = f(x)$   
 $\Leftarrow$ . Let  $y \in B$  then  $\exists x \in A$  such that  $y = f(x)$  or  $(x, y) \in f$  proving that  $B \subseteq \text{range}(f)$ , using [proposition: 2.51] we have that  $f$  is surjective □

**Example 2.53.** Let  $A, B$  be classes,  $B \subseteq A$  then  $i_B: B \rightarrow A$  defined by  $i_B = \{(x, x) | x \in B\}$  is a injective function. This function is called the **inclusion** function.

**Proof.** First if  $(x, y) \in i_B$  then  $\exists b \in B$  such that  $(x, y) = (b, b)$  so that  $x = b \in B \wedge y = b \in B \subseteq A$  proving that

$$i_B \subseteq B \times A$$

Further if  $(x, y), (x', y') \in i_B$  then  $\exists b, b' \in B$  such that  $(x, y) = (b, b) \wedge (x', y') = (b', b')$ , so that  $x = b \wedge y = b \wedge x' = b' \wedge y' = b'$ , hence  $y = y'$ . So

$$i_B: B \rightarrow A \text{ is a partial function}$$

If  $x \in B$  then  $(x, x) \in i_B$  proving that  $A \subseteq \text{dom}(i_B)$  so using [proposition: 2.26] it follows that

$$i_B: B \rightarrow A \text{ is a function}$$

Finally if  $(x, y), (x', y') \in i_B$  then there exists  $b, b' \in B$  such that  $(x, y) = (b, b) \wedge (x', y') = (b', b')$ , so that  $x = b \wedge y = b \wedge x' = b' \wedge y' = b'$ , hence  $x = x'$ , proving injectivity. □

The following axiom ensures that the image of a set by a surjection is a set.

**Axiom 2.54. (Axiom of Replacement)** *If  $A$  is a set and  $f: A \rightarrow B$  a surjection then  $B$  is a set.*

**Proposition 2.55.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function and  $C \subseteq A, D \subseteq B$  then*

1.  $C \subseteq f^{-1}(f(C))$
2. *If  $f$  is injective then  $C = f^{-1}(f(C))$*
3. *If  $f$  is surjective then  $D = f(f^{-1}(D))$*

**Proof.**

1. This is stated in [theorem: 2.25]
2. If  $x \in f^{-1}(f(C))$  then  $\exists y \in f(C)$  such that  $(y, x) \in f^{-1}$ , hence  $(x, y) \in f$ . As  $y \in f(C)$  there exists a  $x' \in C$  such that  $(x', y) \in f$ . Given that  $f$  is injective it follows from  $(x, y), (x', y) \in f$  that  $x = x'$ , so as  $x' \in C$  it follow that  $x \in C$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(f(C)) \subseteq C$  which combined with (1) proves

$$C = f^{-1}(f(C))$$

3. If  $y \in f(f^{-1}(D))$  then  $\exists x \in f^{-1}(D)$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , hence  $\exists z \in D$  such that  $(z, x) \in f^{-1} \Rightarrow (x, z) \in f$ . As  $f$  is a function we have  $y = z$  so that  $y \in D$ . Hence

$$f(f^{-1}(D)) \subseteq D \quad (2.16)$$

If  $y \in D$  then as  $f$  is a surjection there exist a  $x \in A$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , hence  $x \in f^{-1}(D)$  proving that  $y \in f(f^{-1}(D))$ . So  $D \subseteq f(f^{-1}(D))$  which together with [eq: 2.16] proves

$$D = f(f^{-1}(D)) \quad \square$$

The importance of injectivity is that it allows us to define the inverse of a partial function. First we define the inverse graph of the graph of a partial function.

**Definition 2.56.** *Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a partial function then the **inverse of the graph  $f$**  noted as  $f^{-1}$  is defined by*

$$f^{-1} = \{z : z = (z, y) \text{ where } (y, x) \in f\}$$

**Theorem 2.57.** *Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a **injective** partial function then  $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$  is a partial function*

**Proof.** If  $(x, y) \in f^{-1}$  then  $(y, x) \in f$  which, as  $f \subseteq A \times B$ , gives  $(y, x) \in A \times B$ , so  $x \in B \wedge y \in A$ , proving  $(x, y) \in B \times Y$ . Hence

$$f^{-1} \subseteq B \times A$$

Further if  $(x, y) \in f^{-1}$  and  $(x, y') \in f^{-1}$  then  $(y, x) \in f \wedge (y', x) \in f$  which, as  $f$  is injectivity proves that  $y = y'$ . So all the conditions are satisfied to make  $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$  a partial function.  $\square$

**Note 2.58.** The requirement that  $f$  is injective is needed to make  $f^{-1}$  is a partial function. For example assume that  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $B = \{10, 20\}$  and  $f = \{(1, 10), (2, 10), (3, 20)\}$  then  $f^{-1} = \{(10, 1), (10, 2), (20, 3)\}$  which is not the graph of a partial function.

If  $f$  is a injective function then the above theorem ensures that  $f^{-1}$  is a partial function however  $f^{-1}$  can be a graph of a function if we restrict the source of the inverse function.

**Theorem 2.59.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a injective function then  $f^{-1}: f(A) \rightarrow A$  is a function*

**Proof.** First if  $(x, y) \in f^{-1}$  then  $(y, x) \in f \subseteq A \times B$  so that  $y \in A \wedge x \in B$ , as  $(y, x) \in f$  we have that  $x \in f(A)$ , hence  $(x, y) \in f(A) \times A$ . So  $f^{-1} \subseteq f(A) \times B$ . Further if  $(x, y), (x, y') \in f^{-1}$  then  $(y, x), (y', x) \in f$  which as  $f$  is injective proves  $y = y'$ . Hence

$$f^{-1}: f(A) \rightarrow A \text{ is a partial function}$$

Further if  $x \in f(A)$  then there exists a  $y \in A$  such that  $(y, x) \in f$ , hence  $(x, y) \in f^{-1}$  so that  $x \in \text{dom}(f^{-1})$ , proving that  $f(A) \subseteq \text{dom}(f^{-1})$ . Hence

$$f^{-1}: f(A) \rightarrow A \text{ is a function} \quad \square$$

**Corollary 2.60.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function,  $A \neq \emptyset$  then  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is injective if and only if there exist a function  $g: B \rightarrow A$  such that  $g \circ f = \text{Id}_A$*

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . Using the above [theorem: 2.59] we have that  $f^{-1}: f(A) \rightarrow A$  is a function. As  $A \neq \emptyset$  there exist a  $a \in A$  so we can consider the constant function  $C_a: B \setminus f(A) \rightarrow A$  [see example: 2.45]. As  $f(A) \cap (B \setminus f(A)) = \emptyset$  and  $B = f(A) \cup (B \setminus f(A))$  we have by [theorem: 2.78] that

$$g = C_a \cup f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$$

is a function. If  $(x, y) \in g \circ f$  then  $\exists z$  such that  $(x, z) \in f \wedge (z, y) \in g$ . As  $(x, z) \in f$  we have that  $(z, x) \in f^{-1} \subseteq C_a \cup f^{-1} = g$ , as also  $(z, y) \in g$  and  $g$  is function, we have that  $y = x$  so that  $(x, y) = (x, x) \in \text{Id}_A$  hence

$$g \circ f \subseteq \text{Id}_A$$

Further if  $(x, y) \in \text{Id}_A$  then  $x = y$ , as  $x \in A = \text{dom}(f)$  there exist a  $z \in B$  such that  $(x, z) \in f \Rightarrow (z, x) \in f^{-1} \subseteq C_a \cup f^{-1} = g$  proving that  $(x, y) = (x, x) \in g \circ f$ . Hence

$$\text{Id}_A \subseteq g \circ f$$

proving that

$$g \circ f = \text{Id}_A$$

$\Leftarrow$ . Assume that there exists a function  $g: B \rightarrow A$  such that  $g \circ f = \text{Id}_A$  then

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y), (x', y) \in f \subseteq A \times B & \xRightarrow{y \in B, \text{dom}(g)=B} \exists z \vdash (y, z) \in g \\ & \Rightarrow (x, z), (x', z) \in g \circ f = \text{Id}_A \\ & \Rightarrow x = z = x' \\ & \Rightarrow x = x' \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

**Definition 2.61.** *A function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a **bijection** iff the function is **injective** and **surjective**.*

**Definition 2.62.** *Two classes  $A$  and  $B$  are **bijjective** iff there exists a bijection between  $A$  and  $B$*

**Example 2.63.** The function  $\emptyset: \emptyset \rightarrow \emptyset$  is a bijection.

**Proof.** By [example: 2.44]  $\emptyset: \emptyset \rightarrow \emptyset$  is a function. To prove that is a bijection we have:

**injectivity.**  $\forall (x, y), (x', y) \in \emptyset$  we have  $x = x'$  is satisfied vacuously.

**surjectivity.**  $\forall y \in \emptyset$  there exist a  $x \in \emptyset$  such that  $(x, y) \in \emptyset$  is satisfied vacuously.  $\square$

**Example 2.64.** Let  $A$  be a class then  $\text{Id}_A: A \rightarrow A$  [example: 2.47] is a bijection

**Proof.** Let  $(x, y) \in \text{Id}_A \wedge (x', y) \in \text{Id}_A$  then  $\exists z, z' \in A$  such that  $(x, y) = (z, z) \wedge (x', y) = (z', z')$ . So using [theorem: 1.43]  $x = z \wedge y = z \wedge x = z' \wedge y = z'$ . Using [theorem: 1.8] repeatedly gives then  $x = x'$  proving that

$$\text{Id}_A \text{ is injective}$$

If  $y \in A$  then by definition  $(y, y) \in \text{Id}_A$  so that  $\text{range}(\text{Id}_A) \subseteq A$ . Using [theorem: 2.51] it follows that

$$\text{Id}_A \text{ is surjective} \quad \square$$

**Example 2.65.** Let  $I = \{0\}$   $B$  a class and take  $f: I \rightarrow \{B\}$  defined by  $f = \{(0, B)\}$  is a bijection

**Proof.** As  $0 \in \{0\}$  and  $B \in \{B\}$  it follows that  $(0, B) \in \{0\} \times \{B\}$ , hence  $f = \{(0, B)\} \subseteq \{0\} \times \{B\}$ . If  $(x, y), (x, y') \in f = \{0\} \times \{B\}$  then  $y = B = y'$ , further  $\text{dom}(f) = \{0\} = I$ . So we conclude that  $f: \{0\} \rightarrow \{B\}$  is indeed a function. Further if  $y \in \{B\}$  then  $y = B$  and as  $(0, B) \in f$  it follows that  $y \in \text{range}(f)$  or  $\{B\} \subseteq \text{range}(f)$ , which by [theorem: 2.51] proves that  $f$  is surjective. Finally if  $(x, y), (x', y) \in f = \{(0, B)\}$  then  $x = 0 = x'$  proving that  $f: \{0\} \rightarrow \{B\}$  is a bijection.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.66.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is an injective function then  $f: A \rightarrow f(A)$  is a bijection*

**Proof.** As injectivity is a property of the graph of a function, the function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is still injective. Further  $\text{range}(f) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.17}]}{=} f(A)$  which proves surjectivity.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.67.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a bijection then  $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$  is a function*

**Proof.** As  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is injective and surjective we have that  $f(A) = B$  and by [theorem: 2.59] that  $f^{-1}: f(A) \rightarrow B$  is a function. Hence  $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$  is a function.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.68.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is bijective then*

1.  $f \circ f^{-1} = \text{Id}_B$
2.  $f^{-1} \circ f = \text{Id}_A$

**Proof.** First  $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$  is a function by [theorem: 2.67].

1. Let  $(x, y) \in f \circ f^{-1}$  then  $\exists z$  such that  $(x, z) \in f^{-1} \Rightarrow (z, x) \in f$  and  $(z, y) \in f$ . As  $f^{-1}$  is the graph of a function we have that  $x = y$ . Further from  $(x, z) \in f^{-1} \subseteq B \times A$  it follows that  $x \in B$ . Hence  $(x, y) = (x, x) \in \text{Id}_B$ , proving that

$$f \circ f^{-1} \subseteq \text{Id}_B \quad (2.17)$$

If  $(x, y) \in \text{Id}_B$  then  $\exists z \in B$  such that  $(x, y) = (z, z)$  so that  $x = y \in B$ . As  $B = \text{dom}(f^{-1})$  there exists a  $u$  such that  $(y, u) \in f^{-1} \Rightarrow (u, y) \in f$  so that  $(y, y) \in f \circ f^{-1} \stackrel{x=y}{\Rightarrow} (x, y) \in f \circ f^{-1}$ . So  $\text{Id}_B \subseteq f \circ f^{-1}$ . Combining this with [eq: 2.17] proves that

$$f \circ f^{-1} = \text{Id}_B$$

2. Let  $(x, y) \in f^{-1} \circ f$  then  $\exists z$  such that  $(x, z) \in f \Rightarrow (z, x) \in f^{-1}$  and  $(z, y) \in f^{-1}$ . As  $f^{-1}$  is the graph of a function we have that  $x = y$ . Further from  $(x, z) \in f \subseteq A \times B$  it follows that  $x \in A$ . Hence  $(x, y) = (x, x) \in \text{Id}_A$ , proving that

$$f^{-1} \circ f \subseteq \text{Id}_A \quad (2.18)$$

If  $(x, y) \in \text{Id}_A$  then  $\exists z \in A$  such that  $(x, y) = (z, z)$  so that  $x = y \in A$ . As  $A = \text{dom}(f)$  there exists a  $u$  such that  $(x, u) \in f \Rightarrow (u, x) \in f^{-1}$  so that  $(x, x) \in f^{-1} \circ f \stackrel{x=y}{\Rightarrow} (x, y) \in f^{-1} \circ f$ . So  $\text{Id}_A \subseteq f^{-1} \circ f$ . Combining this with [eq: 2.18] proves that

$$f^{-1} \circ f = \text{Id}_A \quad \square$$

**Corollary 2.69.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is bijective then*

1.  $\forall x \in A$  we have  $(f^{-1})(f(x)) = x$
2.  $\forall y \in B$  we have  $f((f^{-1})(y)) = y$

**Proof.**

1. If  $x \in A$  then  $(f^{-1})(f(x)) = ((f^{-1}) \circ f)(x) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.68}]}{=} \text{Id}_A(x) = x$
2. If  $y \in B$  then  $f((f^{-1})(y)) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.68}]}{=} \text{Id}_B(y) = y$   $\square$

**Corollary 2.70.** *Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  a function then the following are equivalent:*

1.  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a bijection
2. There exists a function  $g: B \rightarrow A$  such that  $f \circ g = \text{id}_B$  and  $g \circ f = \text{Id}_A$

**Proof.**

**1  $\Rightarrow$  2.** This follows from [theorem: 2.68] by taking  $g = f^{-1}$

**2  $\Rightarrow$  1.** Let  $(x, y), (x', y) \in f \subseteq A \times B$ , as  $y = \text{dom}(g)$  there exists a  $z$  such that  $(y, z) \in g$ , hence  $(x, z), (x', z) \in g \circ f = \text{Id}_A$  so that  $x = z = x'$  proving that

$f: A \rightarrow B$  is injective

Further if  $y \in B$  then  $(y, y) \in \text{Id}_B = f \circ g$  so there exists a  $z \in A$  such that  $(y, z) \in g$  and  $(z, y) \in f$ . Proving that  $B \subseteq \text{range}(f)$  so by [proposition: 2.51]

$f: A \rightarrow B$  is a surjection  $\square$

The inverse of a bijection is again a bijection

**Corollary 2.71.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a bijection then  $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$  is a bijection*

**Proof.** If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a bijection then by [theorem: 2.68]  $f \circ f^{-1} = \text{Id}_B$  and  $f^{-1} \circ f = \text{Id}_A$  which by [theorem: 2.70] proves that  $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$  is a bijection.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.72.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a bijection then we have:*

1. *If  $g: B \rightarrow A$  is such that  $f \circ g = \text{Id}_B$  and  $g \circ f = \text{Id}_A$  then  $g = f^{-1}$*
2.  *$(f^{-1})^{-1} = f$*

**Proof.**

1. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 f \circ g = \text{Id}_B & \Rightarrow f^{-1} \circ (f \circ g) = f^{-1} \circ \text{Id}_B \\
 & \xRightarrow{\text{[proposition: 2.48]}} f^{-1} \circ (f \circ g) = f^{-1} \\
 & \xRightarrow{\text{[theorem: 2.21]}} (f^{-1} \circ f) \circ g = f^{-1} \\
 & \xRightarrow{\text{[function: 2.68]}} \text{Id}_B \circ g = f^{-1} \\
 & \xRightarrow{\text{[proposition: 2.48]}} g = f^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

2. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y) \in (f^{-1})^{-1} & \Leftrightarrow (y, x) \in f^{-1} \\
 & \Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in f
 \end{aligned}$$

which by the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] proves

$$(f^{-1})^{-1} = f \quad \square$$

Composition preserves injectivity, surjectivity and bijectivity.

**Theorem 2.73.** *We have*

1. *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  are injective functions with  $f(A) \subseteq C$  then  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow D$  is a injective function.*
2. *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  are injective functions with  $f(A) \subseteq C$  then  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow g(f(A))$  is a bijective function.*
3. *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  a surjective function so that  $f(A) = C$  then  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow D$  is a surjective function.*
4. *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a injective function and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  a bijective function so that  $f(A) = C$  then  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow D$  is a bijective function.*
5. *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a injective function and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  a bijective function so that  $f(A) = C$  then  $(g \circ f)^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$ .*

**Proof.**

1. Let  $(x, z), (x', z) \in g \circ f$  then  $\exists u, v$  such that

$$(x, u) \in f \wedge (x', v) \in f \wedge (u, y) \in g \wedge (v, y) \in g$$

As  $g$  is injective we have  $u = v$ , but that means from the above that  $(x, u) \in f \wedge (x', u) \in f$ , which as  $f$  is injective proves

$$x = x'$$

2. Using (1) we have that  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow D$  is injective so that by [theorem: 2.66]  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow (g \circ f)(A)$  is a bijection. Further by [theorem: 2.23]  $(g \circ f)(A) = g(f(A))$  so that  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow g(f(A))$  is a bijection.
3. Let  $z \in D$  then as  $g$  is surjective there  $\exists y \in C$  such that  $(y, z) \in g$ . As  $f(A) = C$  there exists a  $x \in A$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . But then  $(x, z) \in g \circ f$  proving that  $g \circ f$  is surjective.
4. Using (1) and (2) proves that  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow D$  is injective and surjective and thus by definition bijective.
5. By (3)  $g \circ f$  is a bijection, so by [theorem: 2.68] we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (g \circ f)^{-1} \circ (g \circ f) &= \text{Id}_A && \xRightarrow{[\text{associativity: 2.21}]} && ((g \circ f)^{-1} \circ g) \circ f = \text{Id}_A \\
 &&& \Rightarrow && (((g \circ f)^{-1} \circ g) \circ f) \circ f^{-1} = \text{Id}_A \circ f^{-1} \\
 &&& \xRightarrow{[\text{proposition: 2.48}]} && (((g \circ f)^{-1} \circ g) \circ f) \circ f^{-1} = f^{-1} \\
 &&& \xRightarrow{[\text{associativity: 2.21}]} && ((g \circ f)^{-1} \circ g) \circ (f \circ f^{-1}) = f^{-1} \\
 &&& \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 2.68}]} && ((g \circ f)^{-1} \circ g) \circ \text{Id}_B = f^{-1} \\
 &&& \xRightarrow{[\text{proposition: 2.48}]} && (g \circ f)^{-1} \circ g = f^{-1} \\
 &&& \Rightarrow && ((g \circ f)^{-1} \circ g) \circ g^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1} \\
 &&& \xRightarrow{[\text{associativity: 2.21}]} && (g \circ f^{-1}) \circ (g \circ g^{-1}) = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1} \\
 &&& \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 2.68}]} && (g \circ f)^{-1} \circ \text{Id}_A = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1} \\
 &&& \xRightarrow{[\text{proposition: 2.48}]} && (g \circ f)^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

□

In the special case that  $B = C$  we have

**Corollary 2.74.** *We have*

1. If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$  are injective functions then  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow C$  is a injective function.
2. If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$  are surjective functions then  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow C$  is a surjective function.
3. If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$  are bijective function then  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow C$  is a bijective function.
4. If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$  are bijective function then  $(g \circ f)^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$ .

**Proof.**

1. This follows from [theorem: 2.73 (1)] because  $f(A) \subseteq B$ .
2. This follows from [theorem: 2.73 (2)] because if  $f$  is surjective we have  $f(A) = B$ .
3. This follows from (1) and (2)
4. This follows from [theorem: 2.73 (4)] because if  $f$  is bijective, hence surjective, we have  $f(A) = B$  □

The following is a example of a bijection between a class and the class of functions in this set.

**Theorem 2.75.** *Let  $A$  be a class then there exists a bijection between  $A$  and  $A^{\{0\}}$*

**Proof.** Given  $x \in A$  define the function  $f_x: \{0\} \rightarrow \{x\}$  where  $f_x = \{(0, x)\}$  [see [example: 2.65] to prove that this is a function (even a bijection)]. So  $f_x \in \{x\}^{\{0\}}$ , which as  $\{x\} \subseteq A$  proves by [theorem: 2.34] that  $f_x \in A^{\{0\}}$ . Define now  $f = \{z \mid z = (x, f_x) \text{ where } x \in A\}$ . If  $(x, y) \in f$  we have  $x \in A$  and thus  $y = f_x \in A^{\{0\}}$  hence  $(x, y) \in A \times A^{\{0\}}$ . Also if  $(x, y), (x, y') \in f$  then  $y = f_x$  and  $y' = f_x$  so that  $y = y'$ . Further for every  $x \in A$  we have by the definition of  $f$  that  $(x, f_x) \in f$ . So we conclude that

$$f: A \rightarrow A^{\{0\}} \text{ is a function}$$

Assume now that  $(x, y), (x', y) \in f$  then  $f_x = y = f_{x'}$ , so that  $\{(0, x)\} = \{(0, x')\}$ , hence  $(0, x) = (0, x')$ , from which it follows that  $x = x'$ . this proves that

$$f: A \rightarrow A^{\{0\}} \text{ is an injective function}$$

If  $y \in A^{\{0\}}$  then  $y: \{0\} \rightarrow A$  is a function, hence  $0 \in \{0\} = \text{dom}(y)$ , so there exists a  $z$  such that  $(0, z) \in y \subseteq \{0\} \times A$  proving that  $z \in A$ . Hence

$$\{(0, z)\} \subseteq y \wedge z \in A \quad (2.19)$$

If  $(u, v) \in y \subseteq \{0\} \times A$  then  $u = 0$  so that  $(0, u) \in y$ , which, as  $(0, z) \in y$  and  $y$  is a function, proves that  $u = z$  or  $(u, v) = (0, z) \in \{(0, z)\}$ . So  $y \subseteq \{(0, z)\}$  which combined with [eq: 2.19] proves that  $\{(0, z)\} = y$ . As  $f_z = \{(0, z)\} = y$  we have that  $(z, y) \in f$  which proves that

$$f \text{ is a surjection} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 2.76.** *If  $A$  is a class then there is a bijection between  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  and  $\{0, 1\}^A$  where  $0 = \emptyset$  and  $1 = \{\emptyset\}$  are different elements.*

**Proof.** Define  $\gamma: \mathcal{P}(A) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^A$  by  $\gamma = \{z \mid z = (B, \mathcal{X}_{A,B}) \text{ where } B \in \mathcal{P}(A)\}$  where  $\mathcal{X}_{A,B} = (B \times \{1\}) \cup ((A \setminus B) \times \{0\})$  is the graph of the Characteristic function [example: 2.46]. If  $(B, f) \in \gamma$  then  $B \in \mathcal{P}(A)$  and  $f = \mathcal{X}_{A,B}$ , as  $B \in \mathcal{P}(A) \Rightarrow B \subseteq A$  it follows using [example: 2.46] that  $\mathcal{X}_{A,B}: A \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is a function. So  $(B, f) \in \{0, 1\}^A$  giving

$$\gamma \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A) \times (\{0, 1\}^A)$$

If  $(B, f), (B, g) \in \gamma$  then  $f = \mathcal{X}_{A,B}$  and  $g = \mathcal{X}_{A,B}$  so that  $f = g$ , also by the definition of  $\gamma$  we have that  $\text{dom}(\gamma) = \mathcal{P}(A)$ , hence

$$\gamma: \mathcal{P}(A) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^A \text{ is a function}$$

If  $(B, f), (B', f) \in \gamma$  then  $\mathcal{X}_{A,B} = \mathcal{X}_{A,B'}$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} x \in B & \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{X}_{A,B}(x) = 1 \\ & \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{X}_{A,B'}(x) = 1 \\ \mathcal{X}_{A,B} = \mathcal{X}_{A,B'} & \Leftrightarrow x \in B' \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $B = B'$ . Hence

$$\gamma: \mathcal{P}(A) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^A \text{ is injective}$$

Let  $f \in \{0, 1\}^A$ , define  $B = \{x \in A \mid (x, 1) \in f\} \subseteq A$ , then  $B \in \mathcal{P}(A)$ .

If  $(x, y) \in f$  then we have for  $x$  either:

$x \in B$ . Then  $(x, 1) \in f$  and as  $(x, y) \in f$  we have that  $y = 1$  so that  $(x, y) = (x, 1) \in \mathcal{X}_{A,B}$

$x \notin B$ . Then  $(x, 0) \in f$  and as  $(x, y) \in f$  we have that  $y = 0$  so that  $(x, y) = (x, 0) \in \mathcal{X}_{A,B}$  [as  $x \in A \setminus B$ ]

proving that

$$f \subseteq \mathcal{X}_{A,B} \quad (2.20)$$

If  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{X}_{A,B}$  then we have for  $x$  either:

$x \in B$ . Then as  $(x, 1) \in \mathcal{X}_{A,B}$  we must have that  $y = 1$ , using the definition of  $B$  we have also  $(x, 1) \in f \Rightarrow (x, y) \in f$

$x \notin B$ . Then  $x \in A \setminus B$  so that  $(x, 0) \in \mathcal{X}_{A,B}$  hence we must have that  $y = 0$ . As  $(x, 0) \in f$  [if  $(x, 1) \in f$  then  $x \in B$  a contradiction] it follows that  $(x, y) = (x, 0) \in f$



proving that  $\mathcal{X}_{A,B} \subseteq f$ , which combined with 2.20 gives

$$\mathcal{X}_{A,B} = f \quad (2.21)$$

So given  $f \in \{0,1\}^A$  we have found a  $B \in \mathcal{P}(A)$  such that  $\mathcal{X}_{A,B} \stackrel{[\text{eq: 2.21}]}{=} f$ , hence  $(B, f) \in \gamma$  proving that

$$\gamma: \mathcal{P}(A) \rightarrow \{0,1\}^A \text{ is a surjective} \quad \square$$

### 2.2.4 Restriction of a Function/Partial Function

Sometimes we only want to work with functions whose graphs satisfies certain conditions. It could be that the graph of a function does not satisfies these, but that the restriction of this graph to a sub-class satisfies the conditions. For example, the function  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } 1 \leq x \end{cases}$  is not continuous, as it is discontinuous at 1. However restricting this function to  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{1\}$  produces a continuous function. This is the idea of the next definition

**Definition 2.77.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a partial function and  $C \subseteq A$  a sub-class of  $A$  then the restriction of  $f$  to  $C$  noted by  $f|_C$  is defined by

$$f|_C = \{z | z = (x, y) \in f \wedge x \in C\} = f \cap (C \times B)$$

which defines the partial function

$$f|_C: C \rightarrow B$$

**Proof.** We must of course proof that  $\{z | z = (x, y) \in f \wedge x \in C\} = f \cap (C \times B)$  and that  $f|_C: C \rightarrow B$  is indeed a partial function. If  $(x, y) \in \{z | z = (x, y) \in f \wedge x \in C\}$  then  $(x, y) \in f \subseteq A \times B \Rightarrow y \in B$  and  $x \in C$ , so that  $(x, y) \in f \wedge (x, y) \in C \times B$ , hence  $(x, y) \in f \cap (C \times B)$ . If  $(x, y) \in f \cap (C \times B)$  then  $(x, y) \in f \wedge (x, y) \in C \times B \Rightarrow x \in C$ , proving that  $(x, y) \in \{z | z = (x, y) \in f \wedge x \in C\}$ . So we have that

$$f|_C = \{z | z = (x, y) \in f \wedge x \in C\} = f \cap (C \times B)$$

From the above it follows, using [theorem: 1.25], that

$$f|_C \subseteq C \times B$$

Finally, if  $(x, y), (x, y') \in f|_C$  then  $(x, y), (x, y') \in f$  so that  $y = y'$ . Hence we have that  $f|_C: C \rightarrow B$  is a partial function.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.78.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow C$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$  be two partial functions such that  $A \cap B = \emptyset$  then

1.  $f \cup g: A \cup B \rightarrow C$  is a partial function
2.  $f = (f \cup g)|_A$  and  $g = (f \cup g)|_B$
3.  $\text{dom}(f \cup g) = \text{dom}(f) \cup \text{dom}(g)$
4. If  $f: A \rightarrow C$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$  are functions then  $f \cup g: A \cup B \rightarrow C$  are functions

**Proof.**

1. As  $f: A \rightarrow C$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$  are functions we have that  $f \subseteq A \times C$  and  $g \subseteq B \times C$  so that by [theorem: 1.25]

$$f \cup g \subseteq (A \times C) \cup (B \times C) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.49}]}{=} (A \cup B) \times C$$

Let  $(x, y), (x, y') \in f \cup g$ . Assume that  $y \neq y'$  then we can not have that  $(x, y), (x, y') \in f$  for then, as  $f$  is a function, we would have  $y = y'$ , likewise we can not have that  $(x, y), (x, y') \in g$ , for then, as  $g$  is a function, we would have that  $y = y'$ . So we must that either  $(x, y) \in f \wedge (x, y') \in g$  or  $(x, y) \in g \wedge (x, y') \in f$ , but then we would have  $x \in A \cap B$  which contradicts  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ . So we must have that  $y = y'$ . Summarized

$$\text{If } (x, y), (x, y') \in f \cup g \text{ then we have } y = y'$$

2. As  $f \subseteq A \times C$  we have by [theorem :1.25] that

$$f \cap (B \times C) \subseteq (A \times C) \cap (B \times C) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.49}]}{=} (A \cap B) \times C = \emptyset \times C \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.47}]}{=} \emptyset$$

proving using [theorem: 1.18] that

$$f \cap (B \times C) = \emptyset \quad (2.22)$$

As  $g \subseteq B \times C$  we have by [theorem :1.25] that

$$g \cap (A \times C) \subseteq (B \times C) \cap (A \times C) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.49}]}{=} (A \cap B) \times C = \emptyset \times C \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.47}]}{=} \emptyset$$

proving using [theorem: 1.18] that

$$g \cap (A \times C) = \emptyset \quad (2.23)$$

Further we have

$$\begin{aligned} (f \cup g)|_A &= (f \cup g) \cap (A \times C) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.30}]}{=} (f \cap (A \times C)) \cup (g \cap (A \times C)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 2.23}]}{=} (f \cap (A \times C)) \cup \emptyset \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.32}]}{=} f \cap (A \times C) \\ &\stackrel{f \subseteq A \times C \text{ and } [\text{theorem: 1.26}]}{=} f \\ (f \cup g)|_B &= (f \cup g) \cap (B \times C) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.30}]}{=} (f \cap (B \times C)) \cup (g \cap (B \times C)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 2.22}]}{=} \emptyset \cup (g \cap (B \times C)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.32}]}{=} g \cap (B \times C) \\ &\stackrel{g \subseteq B \times C \text{ and } [\text{theorem: 1.26}]}{=} g \end{aligned}$$

3.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \text{dom}(f \cup g) &\Leftrightarrow \exists y \text{ such that } (x, y) \in f \cup g \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists y \text{ such that } (x, y) \in f \vee (x, y) \in g \\ &\Rightarrow x \in \text{dom}(f) \vee x \in \text{dom}(g) \\ &\Rightarrow x \in \text{dom}(f) \cup \text{dom}(g) \\ x \in \text{dom}(f) \cup \text{dom}(g) &\Rightarrow x \in \text{dom}(f) \vee x \in \text{dom}(g) \\ &\Rightarrow (\exists y \text{ such that } (x, y) \in f) \vee (\exists y' \text{ such that } (x, y) \in g) \\ &\Rightarrow (\exists y \text{ such that } (x, y) \in f \cup g) \vee (\exists y' \text{ such that } (x, y) \in f \cup g) \\ &\Rightarrow x \in \text{dom}(f \cup g) \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\text{dom}(f \cup g) = \text{dom}(f) \cup \text{dom}(g)$$

4. As  $f: A \rightarrow C$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$  are functions we have that  $A = \text{dom}(f)$ ,  $B = \text{dom}(g)$ . So that

$$\text{dom}(f \cup g) \stackrel{(3)}{=} \text{dom}(f) \cup \text{dom}(g) = A \cup B$$

proving that

$$f \cup g: A \cup B \rightarrow C \text{ is a function} \quad \square$$

**Corollary 2.79.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  be functions such that  $A \cap C = \emptyset$  then

$$f \cup g: A \cup C \rightarrow B \cup D$$

is a function.

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 2.33] we have that  $f: A \rightarrow B \cup D$  and  $g: C \rightarrow B \cup D$  are functions. Applying then the previous theorem [theorem: 2.78] proves that  $f \cup g: A \cup C \rightarrow B \cup D$  is a function.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.80.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  be bijections with  $A \cap C = \emptyset$  and  $B \cap D = \emptyset$  then

$$f \cup g: A \cup C \rightarrow B \cup D$$

is a bijection.

**Proof.** Using the previous theorem [theorem: 2.79] we have that  $f \cup g: A \cup C \rightarrow B \cup D$  is a function. Now we have:

**injectivity.** If  $(x, y), (x', y) \in f \cup g \subseteq (A \cup C) \times (B \cup D)$  we have the following possibilities for  $y$ :

$y \in B$ . As  $f \subseteq A \times B$  and  $g \subseteq C \times D$  we can not have  $(x, y), (x', y) \in g$  [for then  $y \in D \Rightarrow y \in B \cap D = \emptyset$ ], as  $g$  is injective we have  $x = x'$ .

$y \in D$ . As  $f \subseteq A \times B$  and  $g \subseteq C \times D$  we can not have  $(x, y), (x', y) \in f$  [for then  $y \in B \Rightarrow y \in B \cap D = \emptyset$ ], as  $f$  is injective we have  $x = x'$ .

so in all cases we have  $x = x'$  proving injectivity of  $f \cup g: A \cup C \rightarrow B \cup D$ .

**surjectivity.** If  $y \in B \cup D$  then we have either:

$y \in B$ . Then as  $f$  is surjective there exist a  $x \in A \subseteq A \cup C$  such that  $(x, y) \in f \subseteq f \cup g$ .

$y \in D$ . Then as  $g$  is surjective there exist a  $x \in C \subseteq A \cup C$  such that  $(x, y) \in g \subseteq f \cup g$ .

proving that in all cases there exist a  $x \in A \cup C$  such that  $(x, y) \in f \cup g$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.81.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a function  $a, b$  elements such that  $a \notin A$  then

$$g: A \cup \{a\} \rightarrow B \cup \{b\} \text{ defined by } g = \{(a, b)\} \cup f$$

is a function.

**Note 2.82.** A alternative definition of  $g$  is  $g(x) = \begin{cases} b & \text{if } x = a \\ f(x) & \text{if } x \in A \end{cases}$

**Proof.** Using [example: 2.45] we have that  $C_b: \{a\} \rightarrow \{b\}$  where  $C_b = \{(x, b) | x \in \{a\}\} = \{(a, b)\}$  is a function. As  $A \cap \{a\} = \emptyset$  we can use the previous corollary [corollary: 2.79] so that

$$h: A \cup \{a\} \rightarrow B \cup \{b\} \text{ where } h = \{(a, b)\} \cup f \text{ is a function} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 2.83.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a partial function and  $C \subseteq A$  a sub-class of  $A$  then we have:

1.  $\text{dom}(f|_C) = C \cap \text{dom}(f)$
2.  $\text{range}(f|_C) = f(C)$
3. If  $D \subseteq C$  then  $f|_C(D) = f(D)$
4. If  $E \subseteq B$  then  $(f|_C)^{-1}(E) = C \cap f^{-1}(E)$
5. If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is injective then  $f|_C: C \rightarrow B$  is injective

**Proof.**

1. If  $x \in \text{dom}(f|_C)$  then there exists a  $y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f|_C$ , hence  $x \in C$  and  $(x, y) \in f$  or  $x \in C$  and  $x \in \text{dom}(f)$ , so that  $x \in C \cap \text{dom}(f)$ . Hence

$$\text{dom}(f|_C) \subseteq C \cap \text{dom}(f) \quad (2.24)$$

Further if  $x \in C \cap \text{dom}(f)$  then  $x \in C$  and  $x \in \text{dom}(f)$ , so there exists a  $y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , hence  $(x, y) \in f|_C$  or  $x \in \text{dom}(f|_C)$ . So  $C \cap \text{dom}(f) \subseteq \text{dom}(f|_C)$  which together with [eq: 2.24] gives

$$\text{dom}(f|_C) = C \cap \text{dom}(f)$$

2. If  $y \in \text{range}(f|_C)$  then  $\exists x$  such that  $(x, y) \in f|_C$ , hence  $(x, y) \in f$  and  $x \in C$ , so that  $y \in f(C)$ . On the other hand if  $y \in f(C)$  there exists a  $x \in C$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , hence  $(x, y) \in f|_C$  so that  $y \in \text{range}(f|_C)$ . Hence using the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] we have

$$\text{range}(f|_C) = f(C)$$

3. If  $y \in f|_C(D)$  then  $\exists x \in D$  such that  $(x, y) \in f|_C$ , hence  $(x, y) \in f$  so that  $y \in f(D)$ . On the other hand if  $y \in f(D)$  then  $\exists x \in D$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , which as  $x \in D \subseteq C \Rightarrow x \in C$  proves that  $(x, y) \in f|_C$ , so  $y \in f|_C(D)$ . Hence using the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] we have

$$f|_C(D) = f(D)$$

4. If  $x \in (f|_C)^{-1}(E)$  then there exist a  $y \in E$  such that  $(x, y) \in f|_C$ , hence  $x \in C$  and  $(x, y) \in f \Rightarrow x \in f^{-1}(E)$ , so that  $x \in C \cap f^{-1}(E)$ . Further if  $x \in C \cap f^{-1}(E)$  then  $x \in C$  and  $x \in f^{-1}(E)$ , so there exist a  $y \in E$  such that  $(x, y) \in f \xrightarrow{x \in C} (x, y) \in f|_C$ , hence  $x \in (f|_C)^{-1}(E)$ . Hence using the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] we have

$$(f|_C)^{-1}(E) = C \cap f^{-1}(E)$$

5. If  $(x, y), (x', y) \in f|_C$  then as  $f|_C \subseteq f$  we have  $(x, y), (x', y) \in f$  which as  $f$  is injective proves  $y = y'$   $\square$

**Theorem 2.84.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a **partial** function then  $f|_{\text{dom}(f)} = f$

**Proof.** If  $(x, y) \in f$  then by definition  $x \in \text{dom}(f)$  hence  $(x, y) \in f|_{\text{dom}(f)}$ , further if  $(x, y) \in f|_{\text{dom}(f)}$  then  $(x, y) \in f$  and  $x \in \text{dom}(f)$ , so evidently  $(x, y) \in f$ . Hence using the Axiom of Extent [axiom: 1.5] we have

$$f|_{\text{dom}(f)} = f \quad \square$$

**Theorem 2.85.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a injective **partial** function and  $C \subseteq A$  then  $(f^{-1})|_{f(C)} = (f|_C)^{-1}$

**Proof.** Let  $(x, y) \in (f^{-1})|_{f(C)}$  then  $x \in f(C)$  and  $(x, y) \in f^{-1} \Rightarrow (y, x) \in f$ , as  $x \in f(C)$  there exists a  $z \in C$  such that  $(z, x) \in f$ . As  $f$  is injective we have that  $z = y$ , proving that  $y \in C$ , which as  $(y, x) \in f$  gives  $(y, x) \in f|_C$  so that  $(x, y) \in (f|_C)^{-1}$ . Hence

$$(f^{-1})|_{f(C)} \subseteq (f|_C)^{-1} \quad (2.25)$$

If  $(x, y) \in (f|_C)^{-1}$  then  $(y, x) \in f|_C$  so that  $y \in C$  and  $(y, x) \in f$ . Hence  $x \in f(C)$  and as  $(y, x) \in f$  gives  $(x, y) \in f^{-1}$  we have  $(x, y) \in (f^{-1})|_{f(C)}$ . This proves that  $(f|_C)^{-1} \subseteq (f^{-1})|_{f(C)}$ , combining this with [eq: 2.25] gives:

$$(f^{-1})|_{f(C)} = (f|_C)^{-1} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 2.86.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  be **partial** functions and  $E \subseteq A$  then

$$(g \circ f)|_E = g|_{f(E)} \circ f|_E$$

**Proof.** Let  $(x, z) \in (f \circ g)|_E$  then  $(x, z) \in f \circ g$  and  $x \in E$ . Hence  $\exists y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f \wedge (y, z) \in g$ , as  $x \in E$   $(x, y) \in f|_E$ . From  $x \in E$  and  $(x, y) \in f$  it follows also that  $y \in f(E)$ , hence as  $(y, z) \in g$  we have that  $(y, z) \in g|_{f(E)}$ . From  $(x, y) \in f|_E$  and  $(y, z) \in g|_{f(E)}$  it follows that  $(x, z) \in g|_{f(E)} \circ f|_E$  so that

$$(g \circ f)|_E \subseteq g|_{f(E)} \circ f|_E \quad (2.26)$$

If  $(x, z) \in g|_{f(E)} \circ f|_E$  then there exists a  $y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f|_E$  and  $(y, z) \in g|_{f(E)}$ , so  $x \in E$ ,  $(x, y) \in f$ ,  $y \in f(E)$  and  $(y, z) \in g$ . Hence  $x \in E$  and  $(x, z) \in g \circ f$  proving that  $(x, z) \in (g \circ f)|_E$ . So  $g|_{f(E)} \circ f|_E \subseteq (g \circ f)|_E$  which combined with [eq: 2.26] gives

$$(g \circ f)|_E = g|_{f(E)} \circ f|_E \quad \square$$

**Theorem 2.87.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $C \subseteq A$  a sub-class of  $A$  then  $f|_C: C \rightarrow B$  is a function.

**Proof.** Using [definition: 2.77] we have that  $f|_C: C \rightarrow B$  is a partial function, as by [theorem: 2.83]  $\text{dom}(f|_C) = C \cap \text{dom}(f) \stackrel{f \text{ is a function}}{=} C \cap A \stackrel{C \subseteq A}{=} C$ , it follows that  $f|_C: C \rightarrow B$  is a function.  $\square$

The following theorem will be used for manifolds later

**Theorem 2.88.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  be injections then we have

1.  $f: A \rightarrow f(A)$  and  $g: C \rightarrow f(C)$  are bijections
2.  $\text{dom}(f \circ g^{-1}) = g(A \cap C)$
3.  $f \circ g^{-1}: g(A \cap C) \rightarrow f(A \cap C)$  is a bijection
4.  $f \circ g^{-1} = (f \circ g^{-1})|_{g(A \cap C)} = f|_{A \cap C} \circ (g^{-1})|_{g(A \cap C)} = f|_{(A \cap C)} \circ (g|_{A \cap C})^{-1}$

**Proof.**

1. This follows from [proposition: 2.66]
2. If  $z \in \text{dom}(f \circ g^{-1})$  then  $\exists x$  such that  $(z, x) \in f \circ g^{-1}$ , hence  $\exists y$  such that  $(z, y) \in g^{-1}$  and  $(y, x) \in f$ , from which it follows that  $(y, z) \in g$  and  $(y, x) \in f$ . As  $g \subseteq C \times B$  and  $f \subseteq A \times B$  it follows that  $y \in A$  and  $y \in C$  so that  $y \in A \cap C$ , as  $(y, z) \in g$  we have  $z \in g(A \cap C)$ . This proves

$$\text{dom}(g \circ f^{-1}) \subseteq g(A \cap C) \quad (2.27)$$

If  $z \in g(A \cap C)$  then  $\exists y \in A \cap C$  such that  $(y, z) \in g$ , hence  $(z, y) \in g^{-1}$ . As  $f$  is a function we have that  $A = \text{dom}(f)$ , hence as  $y \in A \cap C \Rightarrow y \in A$ , there exists a  $x$  such that  $(y, x) \in f$ . As  $(z, y) \in g^{-1}$  we have  $(z, x) \in f \circ g^{-1}$  proving that  $z \in \text{dom}(f \circ g^{-1})$ . Hence  $g(A \cap C) \subseteq \text{dom}(g \circ f^{-1})$  which combined with [eq: 2.27].

$$\text{dom}(g \circ f^{-1}) = g(A \cap C)$$

3.

**injectivity.** If  $(x, y), (x', y) \in f \circ g^{-1}$  then  $\exists z, z'$  such that  $(x, z), (x', z') \in f$  and  $(z, y), (z', y) \in g^{-1}$ . Hence  $(y, z), (y, z') \in g$  so that  $z = z'$  [as  $g^{-1}$  is a function] hence  $(x, z), (x', z) \in f$  giving  $x = x'$ .

**surjectivity.** If  $y \in f(A \cap C)$  then  $\exists x \in A \cap C$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . As  $A \cap C \subseteq C$  we have that  $x \in C$ , so as  $g: C \rightarrow B$  is a function there exist a  $z$  such that  $(x, z) \in g$ , hence  $(z, x) \in g^{-1}$ . As  $(x, y) \in f$  it follows that  $(z, y) \in f \circ g^{-1}$ .

4. We have

$$\begin{aligned} (f \circ g^{-1}) &\stackrel{[theorem: 2.84]}{=} (f \circ g^{-1})_{\text{dom}(f \circ g^{-1})} \\ &\stackrel{(1)}{=} (f \circ g^{-1})_{g(A \cap C)} \\ &\stackrel{[theorem: 2.86]}{=} f|_{g^{-1}(g(A \cap C))} \circ (g^{-1})_{g(A \cap C)} \\ &\stackrel{g \text{ is injective and } [theorem: 2.55]}{=} f|_{A \cap C} \circ (g^{-1})|_{g(A \cap C)} \\ &\stackrel{[theorem: 2.85]}{=} f|_{A \cap C} \circ (g|_{A \cap C})^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$\square$

### 2.2.5 Set operations and (Partial) Functions

**Theorem 2.89.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a function then we have

1. If  $C, D \subseteq A$  with  $C \subseteq D$  then  $f(C) \subseteq f(D)$
2. If  $C, D \subseteq B$  with  $C \subseteq D$  then  $f^{-1}(C) \subseteq f^{-1}(D)$

3. If  $C, D \subseteq B$  then  $f^{-1}(C \setminus D) = f^{-1}(C) \setminus f^{-1}(D)$
4. If  $D \subseteq B$  then  $f^{-1}(B \setminus D) = A \setminus f^{-1}(D)$
5. If  $C, D \subseteq A$  then  $f(C) \setminus f(D) \subseteq f(C \setminus D)$
6. If  $C, D \subseteq A$  and  $f$  is **injective** then  $f(C) \setminus f(D) = f(C \setminus D)$

**Proof.**

1. Let  $y \in f(C)$  then there exist a  $x \in C$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , as  $C \subseteq D$  we have  $x \in D$  so that  $y \in f(D)$
2. If  $x \in f^{-1}(C)$  there exists a  $y \in C$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , as  $C \subseteq D$  then  $y \in D$  so that  $x \in f^{-1}(D)$
3. If  $x \in f^{-1}(C \setminus D)$  then  $\exists y \in C \setminus D$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . As  $y \in C \setminus D$  we have that  $y \in C$  and  $y \notin D$ , from  $y \in C$  it follows that  $x \in f^{-1}(C)$ . Assume that also  $x \in f^{-1}(D)$  then  $\exists y' \in D$  such that  $(x, y') \in f$  which, as  $f$  is a function and  $(x, y) \in f$ , proves that  $y = y'$ , hence  $y \in D$  contradicting  $y \notin D$ , so we must have  $x \notin f^{-1}(D)$ , hence  $x \in f^{-1}(C) \setminus f^{-1}(D)$  proving

$$f^{-1}(C \setminus D) \subseteq f^{-1}(C) \setminus f^{-1}(D) \quad (2.28)$$

If  $x \in f^{-1}(C) \setminus f^{-1}(D)$  then  $x \in f^{-1}(C)$  and  $x \notin f^{-1}(D)$ . As  $x \in f^{-1}(C)$  there exists a  $y \in C$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . Assume that  $y \in D$ , then as  $(x, y) \in f$  we have  $x \in f^{-1}(D)$  contradicting  $x \notin f^{-1}(D)$ , so we must have  $y \notin D$ . Hence  $y \in C \setminus D$  which proves that  $x \in f^{-1}(C \setminus D)$  or  $f^{-1}(C) \setminus f^{-1}(D) \subseteq f^{-1}(C \setminus D)$ . Combining this with [eq: 2.28] proves

$$f^{-1}(C \setminus D) = f^{-1}(C) \setminus f^{-1}(D)$$

4. As  $D \subseteq B \subseteq B$  we have by (3) that

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(B \setminus D) &= f^{-1}(B) \setminus f^{-1}(D) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.49}]}{=} A \setminus f^{-1}(D) \end{aligned}$$

5. If  $y \in f(C) \setminus f(D)$  then  $y \in f(C)$  and  $y \notin f(D)$ . From  $y \in f(C)$  it follows that  $\exists x \in C$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . Assume that  $x \in D$  then as  $(x, y) \in f$  we have  $y \in f(D)$  contradicting  $y \notin f(D)$ , so we must have  $x \notin D$ , proving that  $x \in C \setminus D$ . Hence  $y \in f(C \setminus D)$  or

$$f(C) \setminus f(D) \subseteq f(C \setminus D)$$

6. If  $y \in f(C \setminus D)$  then  $\exists x \in C \setminus D$  such that  $x \in C$ ,  $x \notin D$  and  $(x, y) \in f$ . From  $x \in C$  it follows that  $y \in f(C)$ . Assume that  $y \in f(D)$  then there exist a  $x' \in D$  such that  $(x', y) \in f$ , as  $f$  is **injective** we have  $x = x'$  so that  $x \in D$  contradicting  $x \notin D$ , hence  $y \notin f(D)$ . This proves that  $y \in f(C) \setminus f(D)$  or  $f(C \setminus D) \subseteq f(C) \setminus f(D)$  which combined with (3) gives

$$f(C) \setminus f(D) = f(C \setminus D) \quad \square$$

**Theorem 2.90.** If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function,  $E, F \subseteq A$  and  $C, D \subseteq B$  then we have

1.  $f(E \cup F) = f(E) \cup f(F)$
2.  $f^{-1}(C \cup D) = f^{-1}(C) \cup f^{-1}(D)$
3.  $f(E \cap F) \subseteq f(E) \cap f(F)$
4. If  $f$  is injective then  $f(E \cap F) = f(E) \cap f(F)$
5.  $f^{-1}(C \cap D) = f^{-1}(C) \cap f^{-1}(D)$

**Proof.**

1. Let  $y \in f(E \cup F)$  then there exist a  $x \in E \cup F$  with  $(x, y) \in f$ . So  $x \in E$  proving that  $y \in f(E)$  or  $x \in F$  proving  $y \in f(F)$ . So it follows that  $y \in f(E) \cup f(F)$  or

$$f(E \cup F) \subseteq f(E) \cup f(F) \quad (2.29)$$

If  $y \in f(E) \cup f(F)$  then we have the following possibilities

**$y \in f(E)$ .** Then  $\exists x \in E$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . As by the definition of a union  $x \in E \cup F$ , it follows that  $y \in f(E \cup F)$

**$y \in f(F)$ .** Then  $\exists x \in F$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . As by the definition of a union  $x \in E \cup F$ , it follows that  $y \in f(E \cup F)$

So in all cases we have  $y \in f(E \cup F)$ . Hence  $f(E) \cup f(F) \subseteq f(E \cup F)$  which combined with [eq: 2.29] proves

$$f(E \cup F) = f(E) \cup f(F)$$

2. If  $x \in f^{-1}(C \cup D)$  there exists a  $y \in C \cup D$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . From  $y \in C \cup D$  we have  $y \in C$  hence  $x \in f^{-1}(C)$  or  $y \in D$  hence  $x \in f^{-1}(D)$ . So  $x \in f^{-1}(C) \cup f^{-1}(D)$  proving

$$f^{-1}(C \cup D) \subseteq f^{-1}(C) \cup f^{-1}(D) \quad (2.30)$$

If  $x \in f^{-1}(C) \cup f^{-1}(D)$  then we have the following possibilities to consider:

**$x \in f^{-1}(C)$ .** Then  $\exists y \in C$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . As by the definition of a union  $y \in C \cup D$  it follows that  $x \in f^{-1}(C \cup D)$

**$x \in f^{-1}(D)$ .** Then  $\exists y \in D$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . As by the definition of a union  $y \in C \cup D$  it follows that  $x \in f^{-1}(C \cup D)$

So in all cases we have  $x \in f^{-1}(C \cup D)$ , proving  $f^{-1}(C) \cup f^{-1}(D) \subseteq f^{-1}(C \cup D)$  which combined with [eq 2.30] proves

$$f^{-1}(C \cup D) = f^{-1}(C) \cup f^{-1}(D)$$

3. If  $y \in f(E \cap F)$  then  $\exists x \in E \cap F$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . From  $x \in E \cap F$  we have that  $x \in E$  hence  $y \in f(E)$  and  $x \in F$ , so that  $y \in f(F)$ . Hence  $y \in f(E) \cap f(F)$  or

$$f(E \cap F) \subseteq f(E) \cap f(F)$$

4. Using (3) we have that

$$f(E \cap F) \subseteq f(E) \cap f(F) \quad (2.31)$$

Let  $y \in f(E) \cap f(F)$  then we have  $y \in f(E)$  so that  $\exists x \in E$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$  and  $y \in f(F)$  so that  $\exists x' \in F$  such that  $(x', y) \in f$ . As  $f$  is injective and  $(x, y), (x', y) \in f$  we have  $x = x'$  so that  $x \in E \cap F$ , proving that  $f(E) \cap f(F) \subseteq f(E \cap F)$ . Combining this result with [eq: 2.31] gives

$$f(E \cap F) = f(E) \cap f(F)$$

5. If  $x \in f^{-1}(C \cap D)$  then  $\exists y \in C \cap D$  such that  $y \in C$ , so that  $x \in f^{-1}(C)$  and  $y \in D$ , so that  $x \in f^{-1}(D)$ . Hence  $x \in f^{-1}(C) \cap f^{-1}(D)$  proving

$$f^{-1}(C \cap D) \subseteq f^{-1}(C) \cap f^{-1}(D) \quad (2.32)$$

If  $x \in f^{-1}(C) \cap f^{-1}(D)$  then  $x \in f^{-1}(C)$  so there exists a  $y \in C$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$  and  $x \in f^{-1}(D)$  so  $\exists y' \in D$  such that  $(x, y') \in f$ . As  $f$  is a function  $y = y'$  proving  $y \in C \cap D$ , hence  $x \in f^{-1}(C \cap D)$ . So  $f^{-1}(C) \cap f^{-1}(D) \subseteq f^{-1}(C \cap D)$ , combining this with [eq: 2.32] gives

$$f^{-1}(C \cap D) = f^{-1}(C) \cap f^{-1}(D) \quad \square$$

Up to now we define a function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  by specifying what the classes  $f, A, B$  are. However in many cases we have a parameterized expression [based on function calls and operators) to define  $f$ . Then we have the following

**Proposition 2.91.** *Let  $A, B$  be classes and suppose that there exists a parameterized expression  $F(x)$  that calculates a **unique** value for **every**  $x \in A$  then we can define the function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  by  $f = \{z | z = (x, F(x)) \wedge x \in A\}$*

**Proof.** If  $(x, y), (x, y') \in f$  then there exists  $a, a' \in A$  such that  $(x, y) = (a, F(a)) \wedge (x, y') = (a', F(a'))$ , hence  $x = a \wedge x = a' \wedge y = F(a) \wedge y' = F(a') \Rightarrow a = a' \wedge y = F(a) \wedge y' = F(a)$  proving that  $y = y'$ . So

$f: A \rightarrow B$  is a partial function

If  $x \in A$  then as  $F(x)$  is defined on every  $x \in A$  we have that  $(x, F(x)) \in f$  so that  $x \in \text{dom}(f)$ . So  $A \subseteq \text{dom}(f)$  we have by 2.26 that

$f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function □

This leads to a notation that we will gradually start to use

**Notation 2.92.** *The function definition  $f: A \rightarrow B$  defined by  $f(x) = F(x)$  [where  $E(x)$  is a parameterized expression that calculates a unique value for every  $x \in A$ ] is equivalent with*

$$f = \{z | z = (x, E(x)) \wedge x \in E\} = \{(x, E(x)) | x \in X\}$$

**Example 2.93.**  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by  $f(x) = \cos(4 \cdot x)$

## 2.3 Families

### 2.3.1 Family

We introduce now the idea of a indexed family which is essentially a function of a class to another class. It is essentially another notation for a function where the emphasis is on the objects in a collection and a way of indexing these objects and less on the function itself

**Definition 2.94.** *Let  $I, B$  be classes then a family*

$$\{x_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$$

*is actually a function*

$$f: I \rightarrow B$$

Further  $x_i$  is another notation for  $f(i)$  so that  $y = f_i$  is equivalent with  $y = f(i)$  or  $(i, y) \in f$

**Note 2.95.** In the above definition  $\{x_i\}_{i \in I}$  only make sense if you specify what the defining function is. To avoid excessive notation, we assume that if we write  $\{x\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  that the defining function is  $x: I \rightarrow B$ . However this is sometimes not feasible and in that case we state what the defining function of  $\{x_i\}_{i \in I}$  is. Another way of specifying the associated function of a family is using [definition: 2.39] for a function as expressed in the following definition.

**Definition 2.96.** *Let  $I, B$  be classes then the family*

$$\{x_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B \text{ defined by } x_i = E(i)$$

*is the family defined by the function*

$$f: I \rightarrow B \text{ defined by } f(i) = E(i)$$

We can now define the concept of a sub family

**Definition 2.97.** *Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  be a family of objects in  $B$  defined by the function  $f: I \rightarrow B$  and  $J \subseteq I$  then  $\{A_i\}_{i \in J} \subseteq B$  is the family defined by the function  $f|_J: J \rightarrow B$  [see: theorem: 2.87 for the proof that  $f|_J: J \rightarrow B$  is a function]*



**Definition 2.98.** Let  $I, J, A, B$  be classes such that  $I \cap J = \emptyset$  and

$$\{x\}_{i \in I} \subseteq A \text{ defined by the function } f: I \rightarrow A$$

$$\{y_i\}_{i \in J} \subseteq B \text{ defined by the function } g: J \rightarrow B$$

then  $\{z_i\}_{i \in I \cup J} \subseteq A \cup B$  defined by  $z_i = \begin{cases} A_i & \text{if } i \in I \\ B_i & \text{if } i \in J \end{cases}$  is the family defined by the function

$$f \cup g: I \cup J \rightarrow A \cup B$$

[see theorem: 2.79 for the proof that  $f \cup g: I \cup J \rightarrow A \cup B$  is indeed a function]

Composition of functions can also be represented via the above family notation,

**Definition 2.99.** If you have a function  $f: I \rightarrow J$  and a family  $\{x_j\}_{j \in J} \subseteq A$  [defined by the function  $g: J \rightarrow A$ ] then

$$\{x_{f(i)}\}_{i \in I}$$

is the family represented by the function

$$g \circ f: I \rightarrow A$$

So a family is just another notation for a function. We introduce also a new notation for the range of this function.

**Definition 2.100.** If  $\{x_i\}_{i \in I}$  is a family of objects in  $B$  [standing for the function  $f: I \rightarrow B$ ] then we define  $\{x_i | i \in I\}$  by

$$\{x_i | i \in I\} = \text{range}(f)$$

The motivation for this definition is the following theorem

**Theorem 2.101.** If  $\{x_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is a family of objects in  $B$  with associated function  $f$  then

$$x \in \{x_i | i \in I\} \Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ such that } x = x_i$$

**Proof.** As  $\{x_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is equivalent with  $f: I \rightarrow B$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} z \in \{x_i | i \in I\} & \stackrel{\text{define}}{\Leftrightarrow} z \in \text{range}(f) \\ & \Leftrightarrow \exists i \text{ with } (i, z) \in f \\ & \stackrel{f \subseteq I \times B}{\Leftrightarrow} \exists i \text{ with } i \in I \wedge (i, z) \in f \\ & \Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ with } (i, z) \in f \\ & \Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ with } z = f(i) \\ & \Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ with } z = x_i \\ & \square \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.102.** If  $\{x_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is a family such that  $I$  and  $B$  are sets then  $\{x_i | i \in I\}$  is a set

**Proof.**  $\{x_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is actually the function  $x: I \rightarrow B$  where  $\text{range}(x) = \{x_i | i \in I\}$ . As  $I$  and  $B$  are sets, it follows from [theorem: 2.12] that  $\text{range}(x)$  is a set, hence  $\{x_i | i \in I\}$  is a set.  $\square$

Up to now we consider a family as a indexed collection of objects. What is actually a object, in set theory it is a class which can be either a set or a proper class. A class is a collection so we can talk about the union of these collection. The convention is then to use upper case instead of lower case. If we want to deal with the union and intersection of the objects [considered as collections] in the family we use also a different notation.

**Notation 2.103.** If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is a family of objects in  $B$  [standing for the function  $A: I \rightarrow B$ ] then  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is defined by

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcup \{\text{range}(A)\} \text{ [definition: 1.56]}$$

**Definition 2.104.** A family  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is **pairwise disjoint** iff  $\forall i, j \in I$  with  $i \neq j$  we have  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ .

**Notation 2.105.** If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is pairwise disjoint and we want to indicate this fact when we write the union of the family then we use the notation  $\bigsqcup_{i \in I} A_i$ . So  $\bigsqcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is actually the same as  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ , but also relating the information that  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  is pairwise disjoint.

Using this new notation we have the following characterization of the union

**Theorem 2.106.** If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is a family of objects in  $B$  then

$$x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ such that } x \in A_i$$

**Proof.** As  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is actually the function  $A: I \rightarrow B$  where  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcup \text{range}(A)$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i & \stackrel{\text{definition}}{\Leftrightarrow} x \in \bigcup \text{range}(A) \\ & \stackrel{[\text{definition: 1.56}]}{\Leftrightarrow} \exists y \in \text{range}(A) \text{ such that } x \in y \\ & \Leftrightarrow \exists i \text{ such that } (i, y) \in A \text{ and } x \in y \\ & \stackrel{A \subseteq I \times B}{\Leftrightarrow} \exists i \in I \text{ such that } (x, y) \in A \text{ and } x \in y \\ & \Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ such that } y = A_i \text{ and } x \in y \\ & \Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ such that } x \in A_i \end{aligned}$$

□

**Corollary 2.107.** If  $\{A_j\}_{j \in J} \subseteq B$  is a family and  $f: I \rightarrow J$  is a surjection then

$$\bigcup_{j \in J} A_j = \bigcup_{i \in I} A_{f(i)}$$

**Proof.** If  $x \in \bigcup_{j \in J} A_j$  then by [theorem: 2.106] there exist a  $j \in J$  such that  $x \in A_j = A(j)$ . As  $f$  is surjective we have by [theorem: 2.52] that there exist a  $i \in I$  such that  $j = f(i)$ . Hence  $x \in A(f(i)) = (A \circ f)(i)$ . So by [theorem: 2.106] and the definition of  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_{f(i)}$  we have  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_{f(i)}$ . Hence

$$\bigcup_{j \in J} A_j \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_{f(i)} \tag{2.33}$$

If  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_{f(i)}$  then there exist a  $i \in I$  such that  $x \in (A \circ f)(i)$ , which, as using [theorem: 2.22]  $(A \circ f)(i) \in \text{range}(A)$ , means that there exists a  $j \in J$  such that  $A_j = (A \circ f)(i)$ . Hence  $x \in A_j$  proving by [theorem: 2.106] that  $x \in \bigcup_{j \in J} A_j$ . So  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_{f(i)} \subseteq \bigcup_{j \in J} A_j$  which combined with [eq: 2.33] gives

$$\bigcup_{j \in J} A_j = \bigcup_{i \in I} A_{f(i)}$$

□

**Theorem 2.108.** If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is a family of objects in  $B$  where  $I$  and  $B$  are sets then  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is a set.

**Proof.** As  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is another way of saying  $A: I \rightarrow B$  and  $I$  and  $B$  are sets, it follows from [theorem: 2.12] that  $\text{range}(A)$  is a set. Using the Axiom of Union [axiom: 1.61]  $\bigcup \text{range}(A)$  is a set, so by definition  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is a set. □

**Example 2.109.** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in \emptyset} \subseteq B$  be the family defined by  $A = \emptyset$  [the empty function  $\emptyset: \emptyset \rightarrow B$  [see example: 2.44]] then  $\bigcup_{i \in \emptyset} A_i = \emptyset$

**Proof.** Let  $y \in \text{range}(A) = \text{range}(\emptyset)$  then  $x$  such that  $(x, y) \in \emptyset$ , a contradiction. Hence  $\text{range}(A) = \emptyset$ . So

$$\bigcup_{i \in \emptyset} A = \bigcup \text{range}(A) = \bigcup \emptyset \stackrel{1.58}{=} \emptyset \quad \square$$

**Definition 2.110.** If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is a family of objects in  $B$  [standing for the function  $A: I \rightarrow B$ ] then  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$  is defined by

$$\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcap \text{range}(A) \text{ [definition: 1.57]}$$

**Theorem 2.111.** If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  then  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I$  we have  $x \in A_i$

**Proof.**  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is actually the function  $A: I \rightarrow B$  where  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcap \text{range}(A)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i & \stackrel{\text{definition}}{\Leftrightarrow} x \in \bigcap \text{range}(A) \\ & \stackrel{[\text{definition: 1.57}]}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall y \in \text{range}(A) \text{ we have } x \in y \\ & \stackrel{y \in \text{range}(A) \Leftrightarrow \exists i \text{ with } (i, y) \in A}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall i \in I \text{ with } (i, y) \in A \text{ we have } x \in y \\ & \Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I \text{ with } y = A_i \text{ we have } x \in y \\ & \Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I \text{ we have } x \in A_i \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 2.112.** If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is a family of objects in  $B$  such that  $I \neq \emptyset$  then  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$  is a set.

**Proof.**  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is actually the function  $A: I \rightarrow B$  where  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcap \text{range}(A)$ . As  $I \neq \emptyset$  there exists a  $i \in I$ . Given that  $A$  is a function it follows that  $\text{dom}(A) = I$ , so there exists a  $y$  such that  $(i, y) \in A$  or  $y \in \text{range}(A)$ . So  $\emptyset \neq \text{range}(A)$  which by [theorem: 1.57] proves that  $\bigcap \text{range}(A)$  is a set, hence  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$  is a set.  $\square$

**Example 2.113.** Let  $I = \{0\}$ ,  $B$  a class and take  $A: I \rightarrow \{B\}$  defined by  $A = \{(0, B)\}$ , defining the family  $\{A_i\}_{i \in \{0\}} \subseteq \{B\}$  where  $A_0 = B$ . For this family we have  $\bigcap_{i \in \{0\}} A_i = B$  and  $\bigcup_{i \in \{0\}} A_i = B$

**Proof.** Using [example: 2.65] it follows that  $A: I \rightarrow \{B\}$  is bijection, hence a function, so that  $\{A_i\}_{i \in \{0\}} \subseteq \{B\}$  is a well defined family. Further as  $A$  is a bijection we have that

$$\text{range}(A) = \{B\}$$

Finally

$$\bigcup_{i \in \{0\}} A_i = \bigcup \text{range}(A) = \bigcup \{B\} \stackrel{[\text{example: 1.58}]}{=} A$$

and

$$\bigcap_{i \in \{0\}} A_i = \bigcap \text{range}(A) = \bigcap \{B\} \stackrel{[\text{example: 1.58}]}{=} A \quad \square$$

**Example 2.114.** Let  $C, D$  classes,  $I = \{0, 1\}$  and take  $A: I \rightarrow \{C, D\}$  defined by  $A = \{(0, C), (1, D)\}$  [see example: 2.27], defining the family  $\{A_i\}_{i \in \{0, 1\}} \subseteq \{C, D\}$  where  $A_0 = C$  and  $A_1 = D$ . For this family we have  $\bigcup_{i \in \{0, 1\}} A_i = C \cup D$  and  $\bigcap_{i \in \{0, 1\}} A_i = C \cap D$ .

**Proof.** If  $y \in \text{range}(A)$  then  $\exists x$  such that  $(x, y) \in A = \{(0, C), (1, D)\}$ , so that  $(x, y) = (0, C) \Rightarrow y = C$  or  $(x, y) = (1, D) \Rightarrow y = D$ , proving that  $x \in \{C, D\}$ . Further if  $y \in \{C, D\}$  then  $y = C \Rightarrow (0, C) \in A \Rightarrow y \in \text{range}(A)$  or  $y = D \Rightarrow (1, D) \in A \Rightarrow y \in \text{range}(A)$ . So we have

$$\text{range}(A) = \{C, D\}$$

Finally

$$\bigcup_{i \in \{0, 1\}} A_i = \bigcup \text{range}(A) = \bigcup \{C, D\} \stackrel{[\text{example: 1.59}]}{=} C \cup D$$

and

$$\bigcap_{i \in \{0,1\}} A_i = \bigcap \text{range}(A) = \bigcap \{C, D\} \stackrel{[\text{example: 1.59}]}{=} C \bigcap D$$

□

### 2.3.2 Properties of the union and intersection of families

To save space, from now on we use [theorem: 2.106] and [theorem: 2.111] about union and intersection of families without explicit referring to these theorems.

**Theorem 2.115.** *If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is a family then we have:*

1.  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $A_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$
2.  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq A_i$
3. If  $\forall i \in I$  we have that  $A_i \subseteq C$  then  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq C$
4. If  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $C \subseteq A_i$  then  $C \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$

**Proof.**

1. Let  $i \in I$  and assume that  $x \in A_i$  then  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i$ , so  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ , proving that  $A_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ .
2. Let  $i \in I$  then if  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$  we have  $\forall j \in I$  that  $x \in A_j \Rightarrow x \in A_i$ , proving that  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq A_i$
- 3.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i &\Rightarrow \exists i \in I \vdash x \in A_i \\ &\stackrel{A_i \subseteq C}{\Rightarrow} x \in C \\ &\Rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq C \end{aligned}$$

4.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in C &\Rightarrow \forall i \in I \vdash x \in A_i \\ &\Rightarrow x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \\ &\Rightarrow C \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 2.116.** *If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is a family then*

1. If  $J \subseteq I$  then
  - a.  $\bigcup_{i \in J} A_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$
  - b.  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in J} A_i$
2. If  $I = J \cup K$  then
  - a.  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = (\bigcup_{i \in J} A_i) \cup (\bigcup_{i \in K} A_i)$
  - b.  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i = (\bigcap_{i \in J} A_i) \cap (\bigcap_{i \in K} A_i)$

**Proof.**

1.
  - a. If  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in J} A_i$  then  $\exists i \in J$  such that  $x \in A_i$ , as  $J \subseteq I$  we have  $i \in I$  with  $x \in A_i$ , so that  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ .

- b. If  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$  then  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $x \in A_i$ , as  $J \subseteq I$  we have also  $\forall i \in J$  that  $x \in A_i$ , hence  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in J} A_i$ .

2.

- a. As by [theorem: 1.25]  $J, K \subseteq I$  we have using (1) that  $\bigcup_{i \in J} A_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  and  $\bigcup_{i \in K} A_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ . Using [theorem: 1.25] it follows that

$$\left( \bigcup_{i \in J} A_i \right) \cup \left( \bigcup_{i \in K} A_i \right) \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \quad (2.34)$$

If  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  then  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i$ , as  $I = J \cup K$  we have  $i \in J \Rightarrow x \in \bigcup_{i \in J} A_i$  or  $i \in K \Rightarrow x \in \bigcup_{i \in K} A_i$ , which proves that  $x \in (\bigcup_{i \in J} A_i) \cup (\bigcup_{i \in K} A_i)$ . Hence

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \left( \bigcup_{i \in J} A_i \right) \cup \left( \bigcup_{i \in K} A_i \right)$$

which combined with [eq: 2.34] proves

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = \left( \bigcup_{i \in J} A_i \right) \cup \left( \bigcup_{i \in K} A_i \right)$$

- b. As by [theorem: 1.25]  $J, K \subseteq I$  we have using (1) that  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in J} A_i$  and  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in K} A_i$ . Using [theorem: 1.25] it follows that

$$\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \left( \bigcap_{i \in J} A_i \right) \cap \left( \bigcap_{i \in K} A_i \right) \quad (2.35)$$

If  $x \in (\bigcap_{i \in J} A_i) \cap (\bigcap_{i \in K} A_i)$  then  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in J} A_i$  and  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in K} A_i$ . So  $\forall i \in J$  we have  $x \in A_i$  and  $\forall i \in K$  we have  $x \in A_i$ . Hence as  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $i \in J \Rightarrow x \in A_i$  or  $i \in K \Rightarrow x \in A_i$  it follows that  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$ . So  $(\bigcap_{i \in J} A_i) \cap (\bigcap_{i \in K} A_i) \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$  which combined with [eq: 2.35] proves

$$\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i = \left( \bigcap_{i \in J} A_i \right) \cap \left( \bigcap_{i \in K} A_i \right)$$

□

**Theorem 2.117.** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq C$  and  $\{B_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq D$  be two families such that  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $A_i \subseteq B_i$  then

1.  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i$
2.  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in I} B_i$

**Proof.**

1. If  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  there exist a  $i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i \xrightarrow{A_i \subseteq B_i} x \in B_i$ , hence  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i$
2. If  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$  then  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $x \in A_i \xrightarrow{A_i \subseteq B_i} x \in B_i$  proving  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} B_i$  □

We have also the distributive laws for union and intersection [theorem: 1.30]

**Theorem 2.118. (Distributivity)** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  be a family and  $C$  a class then

1.  $C \cap (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (C \cap A_i)$
2.  $C \cup (\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i) = \bigcap_{i \in I} (C \cup A_i)$
3.  $C \cap (\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i) = \bigcap_{i \in I} (C \cap A_i)$
4.  $C \cup (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (C \cup A_i)$

**Proof.**

1. If  $x \in C \cap (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$  then  $x \in C$  and  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \Rightarrow \exists i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i$ . Hence  $x \in C \cap A_i$ , proving by [theorem: 2.115] that  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} (C \cap A_i)$ . So

$$C \cap \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right) \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} (C \cap A_i) \quad (2.36)$$

If  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} (C \cap A_i)$  then there exist a  $i \in I$  such that  $x \in C$  and  $x \in A_i \Rightarrow x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ , so  $x \in C \cap (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$ , proving that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} (C \cap A_i) \subseteq C \cap (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$ . Combining this with [eq: 2.36] proves

$$C \cap \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (C \cap A_i)$$

2. If  $x \in C \cup (\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i)$  then we have the following cases to consider:

$x \in C$ . then  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $x \in C \cup A_i$  hence  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} (C \cup A_i)$

$x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$ . then  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $x \in A_i$  hence  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} (C \cup A_i)$

which proves that

$$C \cup \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \right) \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in I} (C \cup A_i) \quad (2.37)$$

If  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} (C \cup A_i)$  then we have two cases to consider:

$x \in C$ . then  $x \in C \cup (\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i)$

$x \notin C$ . then, as  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $x \in C \cup A_i \xrightarrow{x \notin C} x \in A_i$ , it follows that  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$  hence  $x \in C \cup (\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i)$

In all cases we have  $x \in C \cup (\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i)$  proving that  $\bigcap_{i \in I} (C \cup A_i) \subseteq C \cup (\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i)$ , combining this with [eq: 2.37] gives

$$C \cup \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \right) = \bigcap_{i \in I} (C \cup A_i)$$

3. We have

$$\begin{aligned} x \in C \cap \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \right) &\Leftrightarrow x \in C \wedge \forall i \in I \text{ we have } x \in A_i \\ &\Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I \text{ we have } x \in C \cap A_i \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} (C \cap A_i) \end{aligned}$$

Proving

$$C \cap \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \right) = \bigcap_{i \in I} (C \cap A_i)$$

4. We have

$$\begin{aligned} x \in C \cup \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right) &\Leftrightarrow x \in C \vee x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in C \vee \exists i \in I \text{ with } x \in A_i \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ with } (x \in C \vee x \in A_i) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ we have } x \in C \cup A_i \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$C \cup \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (C \cup A_i)$$

□

**Theorem 2.119.** *Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq C$  and  $\{B_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq D$  be two families then*

1.  $(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) \cup (\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cup B_i)$
2.  $\bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i) \subseteq (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) \cap (\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i)$

**Proof.**

1. First as  $\forall i \in I$  we have by [theorem: 1.25] that  $A_i \subseteq A_i \cup B_i$  and  $B_i \subseteq A_i \cup B_i$  so it follows using [theorem: 2.117] that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cup B_i)$  and  $\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cup B_i)$ . Applying then [theorem: 1.25] gives

$$\left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right) \cup \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right) \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cup B_i) \quad (2.38)$$

If now  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \cup B_i$  then  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i \cup B_i$ , then we have  $x \in A_i \Rightarrow x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  or  $x \in B_i \Rightarrow x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i$ . So  $x \in (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) \cup (\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i)$  proving that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cup B_i) \subseteq (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) \cup (\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i)$  which combined with 2.38 gives

$$\left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right) \cup \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cup B_i)$$

2. As  $\forall i \in I$  we have by [theorem: 1.25] that  $A_i \cap B_i \subseteq A_i$  and  $A_i \cap B_i \subseteq B_i$ ,  $B_i \subseteq A_i \cup B_i$  it follows using [theorem: 2.117] that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i) \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  and  $\bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i) \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i$ . Using then [theorem: 1.25] we have

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i) \subseteq \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right) \cap \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right) \quad \square$$

We have also a variant of the deMorgan's laws [theorem: 1.29]

**Theorem 2.120. (deMorgan's Law)** *Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  be a family then we have*

1.  $(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)^c = \bigcap_{i \in I} (A_i)^c$
2.  $(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i)^c = \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i)^c$
3. If  $C$  is a class then  $C \setminus (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) = \bigcap_{i \in I} (A_i \setminus C)$
4. If  $C$  is a class then  $C \setminus (\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (C \setminus A_i)$

**Proof.**

- 1.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right)^c &\Leftrightarrow x \notin \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \neg \left( x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \neg (\exists i \in I \text{ with } x \in A_i) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I \text{ we have } \neg (x \in A_i) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I \text{ we have } x \notin A_i \\ &\Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I \text{ we have } x \in (A_i)^c \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} (A_i)^c \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right)^c = \bigcap_{i \in I} (A_i)^c \\
 2. \quad & x \in \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \right)^c \Leftrightarrow x \notin \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \right)^c \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \neg \left( x \in \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \right) \right) \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \neg (\forall i \in I \text{ we have } x \in A_i) \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ we have } \neg(x \in A_i) \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ we have } x \notin A_i \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ we have } x \in (A_i)^c \\
 & \Leftrightarrow x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i)^c
 \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\left( \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \right)^c = \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i)^c$$

3. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 C \setminus \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right) & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.24}]}{=} C \cap \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right)^c \\
 & \stackrel{(1)}{=} C \cap \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} (A_i)^c \right) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.118}]}{=} \bigcap_{i \in I} (C \cap (A_i)^c) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.24}]}{=} \bigcap_{i \in I} (C \setminus A_i)
 \end{aligned}$$

4. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 C \setminus \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \right) & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.24}]}{=} C \cap \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \right)^c \\
 & \stackrel{(2)}{=} C \cap \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i)^c \right) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.118}]}{=} \bigcup_{i \in I} (C \cap (A_i)^c) \\
 & = \bigcup_{i \in I} (C \setminus A_i)
 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 2.121.** *If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  is a family and  $A$  a class then we have*

1.  $(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) \setminus A = \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \setminus A)$
2.  $(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i) \setminus A = \bigcap_{i \in I} (A_i \setminus A)$
3.  $(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) \times A = \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \times A)$
4.  $A \times (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (A \times A_i)$
5.  $(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i) \times A = \bigcap_{i \in I} (A_i \times A)$
6.  $A \times (\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i) = \bigcap_{i \in I} (A \times A_i)$



**Proof.**

1.

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i\right) \setminus A &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.24}]}{=} \left(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i\right) \cap A^c \\
&\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.30}]}{=} A^c \cap \left(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i\right) \\
&\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.118}]}{=} \bigcup_{i \in I} (A^c \cap A_i) \\
&\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.30}]}{=} \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cap A^c) \\
&\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.24}]}{=} \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \setminus A)
\end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i\right) \setminus A &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.24}]}{=} \left(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i\right) \cap A^c \\
&\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.30}]}{=} A^c \cap \left(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i\right) \\
&\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.118}]}{=} \bigcap_{i \in I} (A^c \cap A_i) \\
&\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.30}]}{=} \bigcap_{i \in I} (A_i \cap A^c) \\
&\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 1.24}]}{=} \bigcap_{i \in I} (A_i \setminus A)
\end{aligned}$$

3.

$$\begin{aligned}
(x, y) \in \left(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i\right) \times A &\Leftrightarrow x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \wedge y \in A \\
&\Leftrightarrow y \in A \wedge \exists i \in I \text{ with } x \in A_i \\
&\Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ with } (x \in A_i \wedge y \in A) \\
&\Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ with } (x, y) \in A_i \times A \\
&\Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \times A)
\end{aligned}$$

4.

$$\begin{aligned}
(x, y) \in A \times \left(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i\right) &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge y \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \\
&\Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge \exists i \in I \text{ with } y \in A_i \\
&\Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ with } (x \in A \wedge y \in A_i) \\
&\Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ with } (x, y) \in A \times A_i \\
&\Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in \bigcup_{i \in I} (A \times A_i)
\end{aligned}$$

5.

$$\begin{aligned}
(x, y) \in \left(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i\right) \times A &\Leftrightarrow x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \wedge y \in A \\
&\Leftrightarrow (\forall i \in I \text{ we have } x \in A_i) \wedge y \in A \\
&\Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I \text{ we have } (x \in A_i \wedge y \in A) \\
&\Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I \text{ we have } (x, y) \in A_i \times A \\
&\Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in \bigcap_{i \in I} (A_i \times A)
\end{aligned}$$

6.

$$\begin{aligned}
(x, y) \in A \times \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \right) &\Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge y \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \\
&\Leftrightarrow (\forall i \in I \text{ we have } y \in A_i) \wedge x \in A \\
&\Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I \text{ we have } (y \in A_i \wedge x \in A) \\
&\Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I \text{ we have } (x, y) \in A \times A_i \\
&\Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in \bigcap_{i \in I} (A \times A_i)
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 2.122.** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  a family then

1. If  $j \in I$  then  $(\bigcup_{i \in I \setminus \{j\}} A_i) \cup A_j = \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$
2.  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcup_{i \in \{j \in I \mid A_j \neq \emptyset\}} A_i$
3. If  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $A_i = \emptyset$  then  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i = \emptyset$

**Proof.**

1. If  $x \in (\bigcup_{i \in I \setminus \{j\}} A_i) \cup A_j$  then either  $x \in A_j \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  [see: 2.115], so that  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  or  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I \setminus \{j\}} A_i \Rightarrow \exists k \in I \setminus \{j\}$  with  $x \in A_k$  which as  $k \in I$  proves  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ . If  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  then  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i$ , we have then for  $i$  either  $i \in I \setminus \{j\}$  so that  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I \setminus \{j\}} A_i$  or  $i = j$  giving  $x \in A_j$ , proving that  $x \in (\bigcup_{i \in I \setminus \{j\}} A_i) \cup A_j$ .
2. As  $\{j \in I \mid A_j \neq \emptyset\} \subseteq I$  we have by [theorem: 2.116] that

$$\bigcup_{i \in \{j \in I \mid A_j \neq \emptyset\}} A_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \quad (2.39)$$

Further if  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  then there exist a  $i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i$ . As  $x \in A_i$  we must have that  $A_i \neq \emptyset$  or  $i \in \{j \in I \mid A_j \neq \emptyset\}$ , proving that  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in \{j \in I \mid A_j \neq \emptyset\}} A_i$ . So

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in \{j \in I \mid A_j \neq \emptyset\}} A_i$$

combining this with [eq: 2.39] proves

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in \{j \in I \mid A_j \neq \emptyset\}} A_i$$

3. Assume that  $i \in I$  such that  $A_i = \emptyset$ . If  $x \in \bigcap_{j \in I} A_j$  we have  $\forall j \in I$  that  $x \in A_j$ , so for sure  $x \in A_i$  which contradicts  $A_i = \emptyset$ . Hence we have that  $\bigcap_{j \in I} A_j = \emptyset$ .

□

**Theorem 2.123.** If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq C$  a family and  $\forall i \in I \{B_{i,j}\}_{j \in J} \subseteq C$  a family such that  $A_i = \bigcup_{j \in J} B_{i,j}$  then

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcup_{(i,j) \in I \times J} B_{i,j}$$

**Proof.** If  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  then  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i = \bigcup_{j \in J} B_{i,j}$ , hence  $\exists j \in J$  such that  $x \in B_{i,j}$ . So as  $(i,j) \in I \times J$  we have that  $x \in \bigcup_{(i,j) \in I \times J} B_{i,j}$ . Further if  $x \in \bigcup_{(i,j) \in I \times J} B_{i,j}$  then  $\exists (i,j) \in I \times J$  such that  $x \in B_{i,j}$ , which, as  $A_i = \bigcup_{j \in J} B_{i,j}$ , proves that  $x \in A_i$ , hence  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ . So we conclude that

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcup_{(i,j) \in I \times J} B_{i,j}$$

□

**Theorem 2.124.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function,  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$  and  $\{B_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B)$  are families of sub-classes of  $A$  and  $B$  then*

1.  $f(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) = \bigcup_{i \in I} f(A_i)$
2.  $f^{-1}(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i) = \bigcup_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i)$
3.  $f(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i) \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in I} f(A_i)$
4. *If  $f$  is injective and  $I \neq \emptyset$  then  $f(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i) = \bigcap_{i \in I} f(A_i)$*
5.  $f^{-1}(\bigcap_{i \in I} B_i) = \bigcap_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i)$

**Proof.**

1. If  $y \in f(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$  then  $\exists x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , hence  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i$ , which as  $(x, y) \in f$  proves that  $y \in f(A_i)$ . So  $y \in \bigcup_{i \in I} f(A_i)$  giving

$$f\left(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i\right) \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} f(A_i) \quad (2.40)$$

If  $y \in \bigcup_{i \in I} f(A_i)$  then there exists a  $i \in I$  such that  $y \in f(A_i)$ , hence  $\exists x \in A_i$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , as  $x \in A_i$  this implies  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ , so we have that  $y \in f(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$ . Hence  $\bigcup_{i \in I} f(A_i) \subseteq f(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$ , which combined with [eq: 2.40] gives

$$f\left(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i\right) = \bigcup_{i \in I} f(A_i)$$

2. If  $x \in f^{-1}(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i)$  then there exists a  $y \in \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ , hence  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $y \in B_i$ . So  $x \in f^{-1}(B_i)$  which as  $i \in I$  implies that  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i)$  or

$$f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i\right) \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i) \quad (2.41)$$

If  $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i)$  then there exists a  $i \in I$  such that  $x \in f^{-1}(B_i)$ , so  $\exists y \in B_i$  with  $(x, y) \in f$ . As from  $y \in B_i$  we have  $y \in \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i$  it follows that  $x \in f^{-1}(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i)$ . This proves that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i) \subseteq f^{-1}(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i)$  which combined with [eq: 2.41] gives

$$f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i\right) = \bigcup_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i)$$

3. If  $y \in f(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i)$  then there exists a  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . From  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$  it follows that  $\forall i \in I$   $x \in A_i$ , which as  $(x, y) \in f$  proves that  $\forall i \in I$   $x \in f(A_i)$  or  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} f(A_i)$ . So

$$f\left(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i\right) \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in I} f(A_i)$$

4. Let  $y \in \bigcap_{i \in I} f(A_i)$  then  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $y \in f(A_i)$ . As  $I \neq \emptyset$  there exists a  $i \in I$  and we must thus have that  $y \in f(A_i)$ . So there exists a  $x \in A_i$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . Assume that  $x \notin \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$  then  $\exists j \in I$  such that  $x \notin A_j$ . However as  $j \in I$  we must have that  $y \in f(A_j)$ , so there exists a  $x' \in A_j$  such that  $(x', y) \in f$ . As  $f$  is injective and  $(x, y), (x', y) \in f$  we must have  $x = x'$ , but this means that  $x \in A_j$  contradicting  $x \notin A_j$ . So the assumption that  $x \notin \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$  is wrong, hence  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$ . As  $(x, y) \in f$  we have  $y \in f(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i)$ , proving that  $\bigcap_{i \in I} f(A_i) \subseteq f(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i)$ , which combined with (3) proves

$$f\left(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i\right) = \bigcap_{i \in I} f(A_i)$$

5. If  $x \in f^{-1}(\bigcap_{i \in I} B_i)$  then there exists a  $y \in \bigcap_{i \in I} B_i$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$ . Hence  $\forall i \in I$  we have that  $y \in B_i \xRightarrow{(x, y) \in f} x \in f^{-1}(B_i)$  proving that  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i)$ . So

$$f^{-1}\left(\bigcap_{i \in I} B_i\right) \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i) \quad (2.42)$$

If  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i)$  then  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $x \in f^{-1}(B_i)$  or  $\exists y \in B_i$  with  $(x, y) \in f$ . So  $y \in \bigcap_{i \in I} B_i$  which as  $(x, y) \in f$  proves that  $x \in f^{-1}(\bigcap_{i \in I} B_i)$ . So  $\bigcap_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i) \subseteq f^{-1}(\bigcap_{i \in I} B_i)$  which combined with 2.42 gives

$$f^{-1}\left(\bigcap_{i \in I} B_i\right) = \bigcap_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i) \quad \square$$

## 2.4 Product of a family of sets

The Cartesian product  $A \times B$  consists of all the possible pairs that you can form, where the first element is a element of  $A$  and the second element is a element of  $B$ . We want now to construct a generalized product of a family of classes consisting of tuples whose elements are indexed by the index of the family.

**Definition 2.125. (Product of a family of sets)** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  a family then the **product** of  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  noted as  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i$  is defined by

$$\prod_{i \in I} A_i = \left\{ f : f \in \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right)^I \text{ where } \forall i \in I \text{ we have } f(i) \in A_i \right\}$$

If  $x \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  then  $x_i$  is defined as

$$x_i = x(i)$$

Here  $(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)^I$  is the class of function graphs of functions between  $I$  and  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  [definition: 2.30] and  $f(i)$  is the unique  $y$  such that  $(i, y) \in f$ . So  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i$  is the class of graphs of functions from  $I$  to  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  such that  $\forall i \in I$   $f_i = f(i) \in A_i$ .

The following shows that the product of a family of only one class is ‘almost’ that class itself.

**Example 2.126.** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in \{0\}} \subseteq \{B\}$  be the family in [example: 2.113] defined by  $A : \{0\} \rightarrow \{B\}$  where  $A = \{(0, B)\}$  then there exists a bijection between  $B$  and  $\prod_{i \in \{0\}} A_i$  or as  $A_0 = B$  there exists a bijection between  $A_0$  and  $\prod_{i \in \{0\}} A_i$ .

**Proof.** First using [example: 2.113] we have

$$B = \bigcup_{i \in \{0\}} A_i \quad (2.43)$$

hence

$$\left( \bigcup_{i \in \{0\}} A_i \right)^{\{0\}} = B^{\{0\}} \quad (2.44)$$

Let  $f \in B^{\{0\}} \stackrel{[\text{eq: 2.44}]}{=} \left( \bigcup_{i \in \{0\}} A_i \right)^{\{0\}}$  then if  $i \in \{0\}$  we must have  $i = 1$  hence  $f(i) = f(0) \in B = A(0) = A_0$  proving that  $\forall i \in \{0\}$  we have  $f(i) \in A_i$ . Hence  $f \in \prod_{i \in \{0\}} A_i$  from which it follows that  $B^{\{0\}} \subseteq \prod_{i \in \{0\}} A_i$ . As clearly  $\prod_{i \in \{0\}} A_i \subseteq \left( \bigcup_{i \in \{0\}} A_i \right)^{\{0\}} \stackrel{[\text{eq: 2.44}]}{=} B^{\{0\}}$  we have that

$$\prod_{i \in \{0\}} A_i = B^{\{0\}}$$

Now by [theorem: 2.75] there exists a bijection between  $B$  and  $B^{\{0\}}$  which by the above proves the example.  $\square$

The next theorem shows that the product of a family of two classes is ‘almost’ the Cartesian product of these classes.

**Theorem 2.127.** *Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in \{0,1\}} \subseteq \{C, D\}$  be the family in [example: 2.114] defined by  $A: \{0, 1\} \rightarrow \{C, D\}$  where  $A = \{(0, C), (1, D)\}$  then there exists a bijection between  $A \times B$  and  $\prod_{i \in \{0,1\}} A_i$*

**Proof.** First using [example: 2.114]: we have that

$$\bigcup_{i \in \{0,1\}} A_i = C \bigcup D \quad (2.45)$$

so that

$$\left( \bigcup_{i \in \{0,1\}} A_i \right)^{\{0,1\}} = (C \bigcup D)^{\{0,1\}} \quad (2.46)$$

So

$$\prod_{i \in \{0,1\}} A_i = \{f \mid f \in (C \bigcup D)^{\{0,1\}} \text{ where } f(0) \in C \wedge f(1) \in D\} \quad (2.47)$$

Given  $(c, d) \in C \times D \Rightarrow c \in C \wedge d \in D$ , define  $f_{c,d} = \{(0, c), (1, d)\}$ . If  $(x, y) \in f_{c,d}$  we have either

$$(x, y) = (0, c) \Rightarrow x = 0 \in \{0, 1\} \wedge y = c \in C \subseteq C \bigcup D \Rightarrow (x, y) \in \{0, 1\} \times (C \bigcup D)$$

or

$$(x, y) = (1, d) \Rightarrow x = 1 \in \{0, 1\} \wedge y = d \in D \subseteq C \bigcup D \Rightarrow (x, y) \in \{0, 1\} \times (C \bigcup D)$$

proving that

$$f_{a,b} \subseteq \{0, 1\} \times (C \bigcup D) \wedge f_{a,b}(0) \in C \wedge f_{a,b}(1) \in D \quad (2.48)$$

If  $(x, y), (x, y') \in f_{c,d}$  then either

$$(x, y) = (0, c) \Rightarrow x = 0 \Rightarrow (0, y') \in f_{c,d} \Rightarrow (0, y') = (0, c) \Rightarrow y' = c \Rightarrow y = y'$$

or

$$(x, y) = (1, d) \Rightarrow x = 1 \Rightarrow (1, y') \in f_{c,d} \Rightarrow (1, y') = (1, d) \Rightarrow y' = d \Rightarrow y = y'.$$

Together with [eq: 2.48] this proves that

$$f_{a,b}: \{0, 1\} \rightarrow C \bigcup D \text{ is a partial function} \quad (2.49)$$

If  $x \in \{0, 1\}$  then either  $x = 0 \Rightarrow (0, c) \in f_{c,d}$  or  $x = 1 \Rightarrow (1, d) \in f_{c,d}$  proving that  $\{0, 1\} \subseteq \text{dom}(f_{c,d})$  which by [theorem: 2.26] proves that

$$f_{c,d}: \{0, 1\} \rightarrow C \bigcup D \text{ is a function} \quad (2.50)$$

As by [eq: 2.48]  $f_{c,d}(0) \in C \wedge f_{c,d}(1) \in D$  proving that

$$f_{c,d} \in \prod_{i \in \{0,1\}} A_i \quad (2.51)$$

Define now  $\gamma$  by  $\gamma = \{((c, d), f_{c,d}) \mid (c, d) \in C \times D\}$ . If  $(x, y) \in \gamma$  then  $x = (c, d) \in C \times D$  and  $y = f_{c,d} \xrightarrow{[\text{eq: 2.51}]}$ , hence  $y \in (C \bigcup D)^{\{0,1\}}$ . This proves that  $(x, y) \in (C \times D) \times \left( \prod_{i \in \{0,1\}} A_i \right)$  or

$$\gamma \subseteq (C \times D) \times \left( \prod_{i \in \{0,1\}} A_i \right) \quad (2.52)$$

If  $(x, y), (x, y') \in \gamma$  then  $\exists (c, d) \in C \times D$  such that  $(x, y) = ((c, d), f_{c,d})$  and  $(x, y') = ((c, d), f_{c,d})$  so that  $y = f_{c,d} = y'$  hence  $y = y'$ . Combining this with [eq: 2.52] proves that

$$\gamma: C \times D \rightarrow \left( \prod_{i \in \{0,1\}} A_i \right) \text{ is a partial function} \quad (2.53)$$

If  $(c, d) \in C \times D$  then by definition of  $\gamma$  we have  $((c, d), f_{c,d}) \in \gamma$  so that  $(c, d) \in \text{dom}(\gamma)$  proving that  $C \times D \subseteq \text{dom}(\gamma)$ . By [theorem: 2.26] and [eq: 2.53] we have

$$\gamma: C \times D \rightarrow \left( \prod_{i \in \{0,1\}} A_i \right) \text{ is a function} \quad (2.54)$$

If  $(x, y), (x', y) \in \gamma$  then there exists  $(c, d), (c', d') \in C \times D$  such that  $x = (c, d) \wedge x' = (c', d')$  and  $f_{c,d} = y = f_{c',d'}$ . As  $(0, c) \in f_{c,d} = f_{c',d'}$  we have  $(0, c) = (0, c')$  giving  $c = c'$  and from  $(1, d) \in f_{c,d} = f_{c',d'}$  we have  $(1, d) = (1, d')$  giving  $d = d'$ . So  $(c, d) = (c', d')$  proving that

$$\gamma: C \times D \rightarrow \left( \prod_{i \in \{0,1\}} A_i \right) \text{ is an injection}$$

If  $g \in \prod_{i \in \{0,1\}} A_i$  then  $g: \{0,1\} \rightarrow C \cup D$  is a function and  $g(0) \in C \wedge g(1) \in D$ . So there exists a  $c \in C$  such that  $(0, c) \in g$  and there exists a  $d \in D$  such that  $(1, d) \in g$ . So  $g = \{(0, c), (1, d)\} = f_{c,d}$  which proves that

$$\gamma: C \times D \rightarrow \left( \prod_{i \in \{0,1\}} A_i \right) \text{ is a surjection} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 2.128.** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq A$  and  $\{B_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  classes such that  $\forall i \in I, A_i \subseteq B_i$  then

$$\prod_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \prod_{i \in I} B_i$$

**Proof.** Let  $x \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  then  $x \in (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)^I$  and  $\forall i \in I, x(i) \in A_i$ . Using [theorem: 2.117] it follows that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i$ , applying [theorem: 2.34] proves then  $(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)^I \subseteq (\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i)^I$ , so that

$$x \in \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right)^I$$

If  $i \in I$  then  $x(i) \in A_i$ , which as  $A_i \subseteq B_i$  gives  $x(i) \in B_i$ , combining this with the above proves that  $x \in \prod_{i \in I} B_i$ . Hence we have

$$\prod_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq \prod_{i \in I} B_i \quad \square$$

**Theorem 2.129.** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq C$  and  $\{B_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq D$  are two families then

$$\left( \prod_{i \in I} A_i \right) \cap \left( \prod_{i \in I} B_i \right) = \prod_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i)$$

**Proof.** First, as  $\forall i \in I$  we have by [theorem: 1.25]  $A_i \cap B_i \subseteq A_i$  and  $A_i \cap B_i \subseteq B_i$  it follows that by [theorem: 2.128]

$$\prod_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i) \subseteq \prod_{i \in I} A_i \text{ and } \prod_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i) \subseteq \prod_{i \in I} B_i$$

so that by [theorem: 1.25]

$$\prod_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i) \subseteq \left( \prod_{i \in I} A_i \right) \cap \left( \prod_{i \in I} B_i \right) \quad (2.55)$$

Now for the opposite inclusion Let  $x \in \left( \prod_{i \in I} A_i \right) \cap \left( \prod_{i \in I} B_i \right)$  then  $x \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  and  $x \in \prod_{i \in I} B_i$ . So  $x \in \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right)^I \wedge \forall i \in I \models x(i) \in A_i$  and  $x \in \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right)^I \wedge \forall i \in I \models x(i) \in B_i$ . Hence

$$x: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ is a function}$$

$$x: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \text{ is a function}$$

$$\forall i \in I \quad \text{we have } x(i) \in A_i \cap B_i$$

Now if  $(i, y) \in x$  we have  $i \in I$  [as  $x \subseteq I \times (\bigcup_i A_i)$ ] and  $y = x(i) \in A_i \cap B_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i)$  so that  $(i, y) \in I \times (\bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i))$  giving

$$x \subseteq I \times \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i) \right) \text{ and } \forall i \in I \text{ we have } x(i) \in A_i \cap B_i \quad (2.56)$$

Further as  $x: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is a function we have  $\forall (i, y), (i, y')$  that  $y = y'$  and that  $\text{dom}(x) = I$ . Combining this with [eq: 2.56] proves that  $f: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} (A_i \times B_i)$  is a function and  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $x(i) \in A_i \cap B_i$ . This proves that  $x \in \prod_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i)$  giving  $(\prod_{i \in I} A_i) \cap (\prod_{i \in I} B_i) \subseteq \prod_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i)$  which combined with 2.55 gives finally

$$\prod_{i \in I} (A_i \cap B_i) \subseteq \left( \prod_{i \in I} A_i \right) \cap \left( \prod_{i \in I} B_i \right) \quad \square$$

The following theorem is a motivation for the notation  $A^B$  for the graphs of functions from  $B$  to  $A$ .

**Theorem 2.130.** *Let  $I, B$  be classes and consider the family  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \{B\}$  based on the constant function  $A: I \rightarrow \{B\}$  where  $A = C_B = I \times \{B\}$  so that  $\forall i \in I$   $A(i) = B$  [see example: 2.45] then  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i = A^I$*

**Proof.** For  $I$  we have the following cases to consider:

$I = \emptyset$ . Using [example: 2.32] we have that

$$\left( \bigcup_{i \in \emptyset} A_i \right)^\emptyset = \{\emptyset\}$$

Further  $\forall i \in \emptyset$  we have  $\emptyset(i) \in A_i$  is satisfied vacuously proving that  $\emptyset \in \prod_{i \in \emptyset} A_i$  so that  $\{\emptyset\} \subseteq \prod_{i \in \emptyset} A_i \subseteq (\bigcup_{i \in \emptyset} A_i)^\emptyset = \{\emptyset\}$  or taking  $I = \emptyset$

$$\prod_{i \in I} A_i = A^I$$

$I \neq \emptyset$ . If  $y \in \text{range}(A)$  then  $\exists x$  such that  $(x, y) \in C_B = I \times \{B\}$ , so that  $y \in \{B\}$ . Hence

$$\text{range}(A) \subseteq \{B\} \quad (2.57)$$

As  $I \neq \emptyset$  there exists a  $i \in I$ , which by the definition of  $C_B$  means that  $(i, B) \in C_B$ , hence  $B \in \text{range}(A)$ . So if  $y \in \{B\}$  then  $y = B \in \text{range}(A)$  proving that  $\{B\} \subseteq \text{range}(A)$  which combined with [eq: 2.57] gives

$$\text{range}(A) = \{B\}$$

hence

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcup (\text{range}(A)) = \bigcup \{B\} \stackrel{[\text{example: 1.58}]}{=} B$$

so that

$$\left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right)^I = B^I \quad (2.58)$$

Now if  $f \in B^I$  then  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $f(i) \in B = A(i) = A_i$  proving that

$$f \in \{f \mid f \in B^I \wedge \forall i \in I f(i) \in A_i\} \stackrel{[\text{eq: 2.58}]}{=} \left\{ f \mid f \in \left( \prod_{i \in I} A_i \right)^I \wedge \forall i \in I f(i) \in A_i \right\} = \prod_{i \in I} A_i$$

proving that

$$B^I \subseteq \prod_{i \in I} A_i \quad (2.59)$$

Further

$$\prod_{i \in I} A_i = \left\{ f \mid f \in \left( \prod_{i \in I} A_i \right)^I \wedge \forall i \in I f(i) \in A_i \right\} \subseteq \left\{ f \mid f \in \left( \prod_{i \in I} A_i \right)^I \right\} = \{f \mid f \in B^I\} = B^I$$

which combined with [eq: 2.59] proves that

$$B^I = \prod_{i \in I} A_i$$

□

**Theorem 2.131.** Let  $I, J, B$  be classes,  $f: I \rightarrow J$  a bijection and  $\{A_j\}_{j \in J}$  then

$$\beta: \prod_{j \in J} A_j \rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} A_{f(i)} \text{ where } \beta(x) = x \circ f$$

is a bijection.

**Proof.** First as  $f: I \rightarrow J$  is a bijection, hence surjective, we have by [theorem: 2.107] that

$$\bigcup_{j \in J} A_j = \bigcup_{i \in I} A_{f(i)} \quad (2.60)$$

Let  $x \in \prod_{j \in J} A_j$  then  $x \in (\bigcup_{j \in J} A_j)^J$ , which is equivalent with  $x: J \rightarrow \bigcup_{j \in J} A_j$  is a function, and  $\forall j \in J$  we have  $x(j) \in A_j$ . So  $x \circ f: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{j \in J} A_j \stackrel{[\text{eq: 2.60}]}{=} \bigcup_{i \in I} A_{f(i)}$  is a function, proving that  $x \circ f \in (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_{f(i)})^I$ , further if  $i \in I$  then  $(x \circ f)(i) = x(f(i)) \in A_{f(i)}$ , hence

$$x \circ f \in \prod_{i \in I} A_{f(i)} \quad (2.61)$$

So

$$\beta: \prod_{j \in J} A_j \rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} A_{f(i)}$$

is indeed a function. To prove that it is a bijection note:

**injectivity.** Assume that  $\beta(x) = \beta(y)$  then

$$\begin{aligned} x \circ f = y \circ f & \stackrel{f \text{ is bijective}}{\Rightarrow} (x \circ f) \circ f^{-1} = (y \circ f) \circ f^{-1} \\ & \Rightarrow x \circ (f \circ f^{-1}) = y \circ (f \circ f^{-1}) \\ & \Rightarrow x \circ \text{Id}_J = y \circ \text{Id}_J \\ & \Rightarrow x = y \end{aligned}$$

**surjectivity.** If  $y \in \prod_{i \in I} A_{f(i)}$  then  $y: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_{f(i)} \stackrel{[\text{eq: 2.60}]}{=} \bigcup_{j \in J} A_j$  is a function and  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $y(i) \in A_{f(i)}$ . As  $f^{-1}: J \rightarrow I$  is a bijection we have that  $y \circ f^{-1}: J \rightarrow \bigcup_{j \in J} A_j$  is a function, so that  $y \circ f^{-1} \in (\bigcup_{j \in J} A_j)^J$ , and  $(y \circ f^{-1})(j) = y(f^{-1}(j)) \in A_{f(f^{-1}(j))} = A_j$ . So that

$$y \circ f^{-1} \in \prod_{j \in J} A_j$$

Finally  $\beta(y \circ f^{-1}) = (y \circ f^{-1}) \circ f = y \circ (f^{-1} \circ f) = y \circ \text{Id}_I = y$  proving surjectivity. □

**Definition 2.132.** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  be a family and  $J \subseteq I$  then  $\prod_{i \in J} A_i$  is the product based on the sub-family  $\{A_i\}_{i \in J} \subseteq B$  [see definition: 2.97] or equivalently

$$\prod_{i \in J} A_i = \left\{ f: f \in \left( \bigcup_{i \in J} A_i \right)^J \text{ where } \forall i \in J \text{ we have } f(i) \in A_i \right\}$$

The following theorem will be used later in induction arguments.

**Theorem 2.133.** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$ ,  $i \in I$  and  $b \in A_i$  then

$$\text{if } x \in \prod_{j \in I \setminus \{i\}} A_j \text{ we have } y \in \prod_{i \in I} A_j$$



where  $y$  is defined by

$$y_j = y(j) = \begin{cases} b & \text{if } j = i \\ x_j & \text{if } j \in I \setminus \{i\} \end{cases} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} b & \text{if } j = i \\ x(j) & \text{if } j \in I \setminus \{i\} \end{cases}$$

**Proof.** If  $x \in \prod_{j \in I \setminus \{i\}} A_j$  then  $x \in (\bigcup_{j \in I \setminus \{i\}} A_j)^{I \setminus \{i\}}$  so that  $x: I \setminus \{i\} \rightarrow \bigcup_{j \in I \setminus \{i\}} A_j$  is a function. As  $i \notin (I \setminus \{i\})$ ,  $I = (I \setminus \{i\}) \cup \{i\}$  and  $\bigcup_{j \in I} A_j \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.122}]}{=} A_i \cup (\bigcup_{j \in I \setminus \{i\}} A_j)$  we have by [theorem: 2.81] that

$$y: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ where } y(j) = \begin{cases} b & \text{if } j = i \\ x(j) & \text{if } j \in I \setminus \{i\} \end{cases}$$

is a function, so

$$y \in \left( \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right)^I \quad (2.62)$$

Further if  $j \in I$  then either  $j = i$  so that  $y_j = y(i) = b \in A_i = A_j$  or  $j \in I \setminus \{i\}$  then  $y_j = y(j) = x(j) = x_j \in A_j$ . Hence

$$\forall j \in I \text{ we have } y_j \in A_j \quad (2.63)$$

From [eq: 2.62] and [eq: 2.63] it follows by

$$y \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$$

□

We introduce now the projection operator

**Definition 2.134.** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq B$  be family then for  $i \in I$  we define the projection function

$$\pi_i: \prod_{j \in I} A_j \rightarrow A_i$$

where

$$\pi_i = \left\{ z \mid z = (x, x(i)) \mid x \in \prod_{j \in I} A_j \right\}$$

In other words  $(x, y) \in \pi_i \Leftrightarrow x \in \prod_{j \in I} A_j$  and  $y = x(i) \Leftrightarrow (i, y) \in x$

**Proof.** This definition only make sense if  $\forall i \in I$  that  $\pi_i: \prod_{j \in I} A_j \rightarrow A_i$  is a function. First if  $(x, y) \in \pi_i$  we have that  $x \in \prod_{j \in I} A_j$  and  $y = x(i)$  giving  $y \in A_i$ , so  $(x, y) \in (\prod_{i \in I} A_i) \times A_i$ . Hence

$$\pi_i \subseteq \left( \prod_{i \in I} A_i \right) \times A_i \quad (2.64)$$

If  $(x, y), (x, y') \in \pi_i$  then  $y = x(i) \wedge y' = x(i)$  proving that  $y = y'$  or

$$\pi_i: \prod_{j \in I} A_j \rightarrow A_i \text{ is a partial function}$$

If  $x \in \prod_{j \in I} A_j$  then by definition  $(x, x(i)) \in \pi_i$  proving that  $x \in \text{dom}(\pi_i)$  proving that  $\prod_{j \in I} A_j \subseteq \text{dom}(\pi_i)$ , which by [theorem: 2.26] gives

$$\pi_i: \prod_{j \in I} A_j \rightarrow A_i \text{ is a function}$$

□

We are not yet finished with the product of a family of classes, however for some of the theorems we need the Axiom of Choice. For example to prove that the projection function is a surjection we need the Axiom of Choice.



# Chapter 3

## Relations

### 3.1 Relation

The idea of a relation is that we can specify which elements of a class are related to each other. You do this by specifying a class of pairs.

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $A$  be a class then a relation in  $A$  is a sub-class of  $A \times A$

**Notation 3.2.** So a relation is a set of pairs from elements of the same class, to avoid confusion with the graph of a function we use the following notation:

If  $R \subseteq A \times A$  is relation then instead of writing  $(x, y) \in R$  we write  $xRy$

**Example 3.3.** Let  $A$  be a class then  $A \times A$  is a relation [as  $A \times A \subseteq A \times A$ ]

We define now the following properties that a relation can have

**Definition 3.4.** If  $A$  is a class and  $R \subseteq A \times A$  a relation then we say that  $R$  is

**reflexive.** iff  $\forall x \in A$  we have

$$xRx$$

in other words every element is related to itself.

**symmetric.** iff

$$xRy \Rightarrow yRx$$

in other words if one element is related to a second element then the second element is related to the first element.

**anti symmetric.** iff

$$xRy \wedge yRx \Rightarrow x = y$$

in other words if one element is related to a second element and the second element is related to the first element then the two elements are the same.

**transitive.** iff

$$xRy \wedge yRz \Rightarrow xRz$$

in other words if one element is related to a second element and the second element is related to the third element then the first element is also related to the third element.

### 3.2 Equivalence relations

#### 3.2.1 Equivalence relations and equivalence classes

Note that for classes and equality we have by [theorem: 1.8] that

- $A = A$
- $A = B \Rightarrow B = A$
- $A = B \wedge B = C \Rightarrow A = C$

If we want to create a relation that defines a kind of equality then it must behave in the same way as the equality for classes. This is the idea behind the following definition.

**Definition 3.5. (Equivalence Relation)** *If  $A$  is a class then a relation  $R$  is a **equivalence relation** iff it is reflexive, symmetric and transitive or in other words if*

**reflexivity.**  $\forall x \in A \ x R x$

**symmetry.**  $x R y \Rightarrow y R x$

**transitivity.**  $x R y \wedge y R z \Rightarrow x R z$

Given a set  $A$  and an equivalence relation in  $A$  then it is useful to partition the set in subsets containing all the elements that are equivalent with each other. To do this we must first define what a partition of a set is.

**Definition 3.6.** *Let  $A$  be a set then a **partition** of  $A$  is a family  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$  of non empty subsets of  $A$   $[\forall i \in I \text{ we have } A_i \neq \emptyset]$  such that:*

1.  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = A$
2.  $\forall i, j \in I$  we have  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset \vee A_i = A_j$

**Note 3.7.** Condition (2) in the above definition is a weaker condition than pairwise disjointness. For example if we define the family  $(A_i)_{i \in \{1,2,3\}}$  by  $A_1 = \{1\}$ ,  $A_2 = \{1\}$  and  $A_3 = \{2\}$  then this family is not pairwise disjoint as  $1 \neq 2$  and  $A_1 \cap A_2 \neq \emptyset$ , however (2) is clearly satisfied.

We can also reformulate the definition of a partition of  $A$  in the following way

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $A$  be a set and  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$  a family of non empty subsets of  $A$  then we have the following equivalences*

1.  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$  is a partition of  $A$
2.  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$  satisfies
  - a.  $\forall x \in A$  there exists a  $i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i$
  - b.  $\forall i, j \in I$  with  $A_i \cap A_j \neq \emptyset$  we have  $A_i = A_j$
3.  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$  satisfies
  - a.  $\forall x \in A$  there exists a  $i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i$
  - b.  $\forall i, j \in I$  with  $A_i \neq A_j$  we have  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$

**Proof.**

**1  $\Rightarrow$  2.**

- a) If  $x \in A$  then as  $A = \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  there exists a  $i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i$
- b) Let  $i, j \in I$  with  $A_i \cap A_j \neq \emptyset$ . As by definition of a partition  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset \vee A_i = A_j$  we must have that  $A_i = A_j$ .

**2  $\Rightarrow$  3.**

- a) This is trivial
- b) Let  $i, j \in I$  with  $A_i \neq A_j$ . Assume that  $A_i \cap A_j \neq \emptyset$  then by (2.b) we have  $A_i = A_j$  contradicting  $A_i \neq A_j$ , so we must have that  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$

**3  $\Rightarrow$  1.**

- a) Using (3.a) it follows that  $A \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ . If  $z \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  then there exists a  $i \in I$  such that  $z \in A_i$  [theorem: 2.106], hence as  $A_i \in \mathcal{P}(A) \Rightarrow A_i \subseteq A$  it follows that  $z \in A$ , proving that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \subseteq A$ . So we have that

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = A$$

- b) Let  $i, j \in I$  then if  $A_i \neq A_j$  we have by (3b) that  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ , so we have that  $A_i = A_j \vee A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ .  $\square$

We show now how a equivalence relation can be used to partition a set.

**Definition 3.9.** Let  $A$  be a set and  $R$  a equivalence relation in  $A$  then given  $x$  we define the **equivalence class** of  $x$  noted by  $R[x]$  by

$$R[x] = \{y \in A \mid xRy\} \subseteq A$$

**Note 3.10.** Because  $R[x] \subseteq A$  and  $A$  is a set we have by the axiom of subset 1.54 that  $R[x]$  is a set.

We have the following important property for equivalence classes

**Theorem 3.11.** Let  $A$  be a set with a equivalence relation  $R$  in  $A$  then

1.  $\forall x \in A$  we have  $x \in R[x]$
2.  $\forall x, y \in A$  we have

$$xRy \Leftrightarrow R[x] = R[y]$$

3.  $\forall x \in A$  we have

$$y \in R[x] \Leftrightarrow R[x] = R[y]$$

**Proof.**

1. If  $x \in A$  then using reflexivity we have  $xRx$  so that  $x \in R[x]$

- 2.

$\Rightarrow$ . Let  $z \in R[x]$  then  $xRz$ , further from  $xRy$  we have  $yRx$ , so using transitivity it follows that  $yRz$  or  $z \in R[y]$ . If  $z \in R[y]$  then  $yRz$  so as  $xRy$  we have by transitivity that  $xRz$  or that  $z \in R$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . Using (1)  $x \in R[x] \xRightarrow{R[x]=R[y]} x \in R[y]$  proving that  $xRy$

- 3.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $y \in R[x]$  then  $yRx$  hence by (2)  $R[x] = R[y]$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $R[x] = R[y]$  then  $yRx$  proving that  $y \in R[x]$   $\square$

We define now a function that maps a element of as set on its equivalence class and use it to define a family of equivalence classes indexed by the elements of the set.

**Definition 3.12.** Let  $A$  be a set and  $R$  a equivalence relation in  $A$  then  $\{R[x]\}_{x \in A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$  is the family defined by the function  $R[]: A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(A)$  where  $R[](x) = R[x]$

**Note 3.13.** As  $x \in R[x]$  we have that  $\{R[x]\}_{x \in A}$  is a non empty family of subsets of  $A$

**Proof.** We must of course prove that this a function. First  $R[x]$  is defined for every  $x \in A$  and calculates a unique set, further  $R[x] \subseteq A \Rightarrow R[x] \in \mathcal{P}(A)$ . So by [proposition: 2.91]  $R[]: A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}[A]$  is a function.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.14.** Let  $A$  be a set and  $R$  a equivalence relation in  $A$  then  $\{R[x]\}_{x \in A}$  is a partition of  $A$

**Proof.** We use [theorem: 3.8] to prove this

1. If  $x \in A$  then by [theorem: 3.11] we have that  $x \in R[x]$  so that  $x \in \bigcup_{x \in A} R[x]$
2. Let  $x, y \in A$  such that  $R[x] \cap R[y] \neq \emptyset$  then there exists a

$$z \in R[x] \cap R[y] \Rightarrow zRx \wedge zRy \xRightarrow{\text{symmetry}} xRz \wedge zRy \xRightarrow{\text{transitivity}} xRy$$

Using the above together with [theorem: 3.11] we have then that  $R[x] = R[y]$

So by [theorem: 3.8] it follows that  $\{R[x]\}_{x \in A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$  is a partition of  $A$   $\square$

We have also the opposite of the above theorem in that a partition defines a equivalence relation that generates the same partition.

**Theorem 3.15.** *Let  $A$  be a set and  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$  a partition of  $A$ . Define  $R \subseteq A \times A$  by*

$$R = \{(x, y) | \exists i \in I \text{ such that } x \in A_i \wedge y \in A_i\}$$

*then we have:*

1.  $R$  is a equivalence relation
2.  $\forall i \in I$  there exists a  $x \in A$  such that  $R[x] = A_i$
3.  $\forall x \in A$  there exists a  $i \in I$  such that  $R[x] = A_i$

*we call  $R$  is the called the **equivalence relation associated with the partition**  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$*

**Proof.**

1. We have:

- a. If  $x \in A = \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  then  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i$  so that  $(x, x) \in R$  or  $xRx$
- b. If  $xRy$  or  $(x, y) \in R$  then  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i \wedge y \in A_i \Rightarrow y \in A_i \wedge x \in A_i$ . Hence  $(y, x) \in R$  or  $yRx$ .
- c. If  $xRy \wedge yRz$  then  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $x, y \in A_i$  and  $\exists j \in I$  such that  $y, z \in A_j$ . So  $y \in A_i \cap A_j$  or  $A_i \cap A_j \neq \emptyset$ , by [theorem: 3.8] we have that  $A_i = A_j$ , hence  $x, z \in A_i$  proving that  $(x, z) \in R$  or  $xRz$ .

2. If  $i \in I$  then as  $A_i \neq \emptyset$  [a partition is a family of non empty subsets] there exists a  $x \in A_i$ . Take  $y \in A_i$  then  $x, y \in A_i$  or  $yRx$  proving that  $y \in R[x]$ . So

$$A_i \subseteq R[x]$$

Take  $y \in R[x]$  then  $yRx$  so there exist a  $j \in I$  such that  $x, y \in A_j$ , hence  $A_i \cap A_j \neq \emptyset$  which by [theorem: 3.8] proves that  $A_i = A_j$ , so that  $y \in A_i$ . So  $R[x] \subseteq A_i$  giving

$$A_i = R[x]$$

3. If  $x \in A$  then  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $x \in A_i$ . Take  $y \in A_i$  then  $x, y \in A_i$  or  $yRx$  proving that  $y \in R[x]$ , hence

$$A_i \subseteq R[x]$$

Take  $y \in R[x]$  then  $yRx$  so there exist a  $j \in I$  such that  $x, y \in A_j$ , hence  $A_i \cap A_j \neq \emptyset$  which by [theorem: 3.8] proves that  $A_i = A_j$ , so that  $y \in A_i$ . So  $R[x] \subseteq A_i$  giving

$$A_i = R[x]$$

$\square$

**Definition 3.16.** *Let  $A$  be a set and  $R$  a relation then  $A/R$  is defined by*

$$A/R = \{R[x] | x \in A\}$$

**Note 3.17.** As  $\forall x \in X$   $R[x] \in \mathcal{P}(A)$  it follows that

$$R/X \in \mathcal{P}(A).$$

As  $A$  is a set it follows from the Axiom Power [axiom: 1.64] that  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  is a set, applying the Axiom of Subsets [axiom: 1.54] we have

$$R/X \text{ is a set}$$

### 3.2.2 Functions and equivalence relations

In this section we show how a function can be decomposed as the composition of a surjection, a bijection and injection. First we examine the relation between functions and equivalence relations.

We can use functions to generate a equivalence relation on the domain of the function based on a equivalence relation on the target of the function.

**Theorem 3.18.**  *$f: A \rightarrow B$  a function and  $R$  a equivalence relation in  $A$  then*

$$f \langle R \rangle = \{(x, y) | f(x) R f(y)\} \subseteq A \times A$$

*is a equivalence relation in  $A$*

**Proof.**

**reflectivity.** If  $x \in A$  then  $f(x) \in B$  so that  $f(x) R f(x)$  hence by definition  $x R x$

**symmetric.** If  $x R y$  then  $f(x) R f(y)$  so that  $f(y) R f(x)$  proving  $y R x$

**transitivity.** If  $x R y \wedge y R z$  then  $f(x) R f(y) \wedge f(y) R f(z)$  so that  $f(x) R f(z)$  proving that  $x R z$ .  $\square$

A equivalence relation on a set induce a equivalence relation on a subset

**Theorem 3.19.** *Let  $A$  be a class,  $B \subseteq A$  a sub-class and  $R$  a equivalence relation in  $R$  then  $R|_B$  defined by*

$$R|_B = \{(x, y) | x \in B \wedge y \in B \wedge x R y\} = R \cap (B \times B)$$

*is a equivalence relation.*

**Proof.**

**reflexivity.** If  $x \in B$  then  $x R x$  so that  $x R|_B x$

**symmetric.** If  $x R|_B y \Rightarrow x \in B \wedge y \in B \wedge x R y \Rightarrow y R x$

**transitivity.** If  $x R|_B y \wedge y R|_B z$  then  $x, y, z \in B$  and  $x R y \wedge y R z$  so that  $x, z \in B$  and  $x R z$  proving  $x R|_B z$   $\square$

**Theorem 3.20.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a function then  $R_f$  defined by*

$$R_f = \{(x, y) \in A \times A | f(x) = f(y)\}$$

*is a relation.  $R_f$  is called the **equivalence relation determined by  $f$***

**Proof.**

**reflexivity.** If  $x \in A$  then  $f(x) = f(x)$  proving that  $x R_f x$

**symmetric.** If  $x R_f y$  then  $f(x) = f(y) \Rightarrow f(y) = f(x)$  proving that  $y R_f x$

**transitivity.** If  $x R_f y \wedge y R_f z$  then  $f(x) = f(y)$  and  $f(y) = f(z)$  so that  $f(x) = f(z)$  hence  $x R_f z$   $\square$

We can also do the opposite and associate a function with a equivalence relation

**Theorem 3.21. (Canonical Function)** *Let  $A$  be a set and  $R$  a equivalence relation in  $A$  then:*

1.  $f_R: A \rightarrow A/R$  defined by  $f_R(x) = R[x]$  is a surjective function.
2.  $R_{R_f} = R$

$f_R: A \rightarrow A/R$  is called the **Canonical function associated with  $R$**

**Proof.**

1. As for every  $x \in A$  we have the unique  $R[x] \in A/R$  it follows from [proposition: 2.91] that

$$f_R: A \rightarrow A/R \text{ is a function}$$

Let  $y \in R/X$  then  $\exists x \in A$  such that  $y = R[x]$  so that  $(x, y) = (x, R[x]) \in f_R$  proving that  $y \in \text{range}(f_R)$ . So  $R/X \subseteq \text{range}(f_R)$  which by [theorem: 2.51] proves that

$f_R: A \rightarrow A/R$  is surjective

2. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y) \in R & \Leftrightarrow x R y \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 3.11}]}{\Leftrightarrow} R[x] = R[y] \\
 & \Leftrightarrow f_R(x) = f_R(y) \\
 & \Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in R_{f_R}
 \end{aligned}$$

□

We use the above to decompose every function as the composition of a surjection, bijection and injection.

**Theorem 3.22.** *Let  $A, B$  be sets and  $f: A \rightarrow B$  a function and define the following functions:*

- a)  $s_f: A/R_f \rightarrow f(A)$  where  $s_f = \{(R_f[x], f(x)) | x \in A\}$
- b)  $i_{f(A)}: f(A) \rightarrow B$  where  $i_{f(A)} = \{(x, x) | x \in f(A)\}$  [the inclusion function see [example: 2.53]]
- c)  $f_{R_f}: A \rightarrow A/R_f$  where  $f_{R_f}(x) = R_f[x]$  [theorem: 3.21]

then

- 1.  $s_f: A/R_f \rightarrow f(A)$  is a bijection
- 2.  $i_{f(A)}: f(A) \rightarrow B$  is an injective function
- 3.  $f_{R_f}: A \rightarrow A/R_f$  is a surjective function
- 4.  $f = i_{f(A)} \circ (s_f \circ f_{R_f}) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.21}]}{=} (i_{f(A)} \circ s_f) \circ f_{R_f}$

**Proof.** Using [example: 2.53] and [theorem: 3.21] we have that

$i_{f(A)}: f(A) \rightarrow B$  is an injective function

and

$f_{R_f}: A \rightarrow A/R_f$  is a surjective function

We proceed now to prove that  $s_f$  is a bijection. If  $(x, y) \in s_f$  then there exists a  $a \in A$  such that  $(x, y) = (R_f[a], f(a))$  hence  $x = R_f[a] \in A/R_f$  and  $y = f(a) \Rightarrow (a, y) \in f \Rightarrow y \in f(A)$ . So that  $(x, y) \in (A/R_f) \times f(A)$  or

$$s_f \subseteq (A/R_f) \times f(A)$$

If  $(x, y), (x, y') \in s_f$  then there exists  $a, a' \in A$  such that

$$(x, y) = (R_f[a], f(a)) \wedge (x, y') = (R_f[a'], f(a'))$$

or

$$x = R_f[a] \wedge y = f(a) \wedge x = R_f[a'] \wedge y' = f(a') \tag{3.1}$$

From the above  $R_f[a] = x = R_f[a']$ , which using [theorem: 3.11] means that  $a R_f a'$ , so by the definition of  $R_f$  [theorem: 3.20] we have  $f(a) = f(a')$ . As by [eq: 3.1]  $y = f(a) \wedge y' = f(a')$  it follows that  $y = y'$ . So

$s_f: A/R_f \rightarrow f(A)$  is a partial function

If  $x \in A/R_f$  then  $\exists a \in A$  such that  $x = [a]$ , hence if we take  $y = f(A)$  we have that  $(x, y) = ([a], f(a)) \in s_f$  proving that  $x \in \text{dom}(s_f)$ . So  $A/R_f \subseteq \text{dom}(s_f)$  which by [proposition: 2.26] proves that

$s_f: A/R_f \rightarrow f(A)$  is a function



Let  $(x, y), (x', y) \in s_f$  then  $\exists a, a' \in A$  such that  $(x, y) = (R_f[a], f(a))$  and  $(x', y) = (R_f[a'], f(a'))$ , hence

$$x = R_f[a] \wedge x' = R_f[a'] \wedge y = f(a) \wedge y = f(a') \quad (3.2)$$

From  $f(a) = y = f(a')$  it follows that  $f(a) = f(a')$ , which by the definition of  $R_f$  [theorem: 3.20] proves that  $a R_f a'$ . Using [theorem: 3.11] it follows that  $R_f[a] = R_f[a']$  or using [eq: 3.2] that  $x = x'$ . So we have proved that

$$s_f: A / R_f \rightarrow f(A) \text{ is injective} \quad (3.3)$$

Let  $y \in f(A)$  then there exist a  $a \in A$  such that  $(a, y) \in f \Rightarrow y = f(a)$ . But then  $(R_f[a], y) = (R_f[a], f(a)) \in s_f$  proving that  $y \in \text{range}(s_f)$ . So  $A / R_f \subseteq \text{range}(s_f)$  which by [proposition: 2.51] proves that

$$s_f: A / R_f \rightarrow f(A) \text{ is surjective} \quad (3.4)$$

Combining [eq: 3.3] and [eq: 3.4] it follows that

$$s_f: A / R_f \rightarrow f(A) \text{ is a bijection}$$

Now we proceed to prove that  $f = (i_{f(A)} \circ s_f) \circ f_{R_f}$ . Let  $(x, u) \in (i_{f(A)} \circ s_f) \circ f_{R_f}$  then  $\exists y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f_{R_f} \wedge (y, u) \in i_{f(A)} \circ s_f$ , from  $(y, u) \in i_{f(A)} \circ s_f \exists z$  such that  $(y, z) \in s_f \wedge (z, u) \in i_{f(A)}$ , summarized

$$(x, y) \in f_{R_f} \wedge (y, z) \in s_f \wedge (z, u) \in i_{f(A)} \quad (3.5)$$

From  $(x, y) \in f_{R_f}$  it follows that  $\exists a \in A$  such that  $(x, y) = (a, R_f[a])$  or

$$x = a \wedge y = R_f[a] \quad (3.6)$$

From  $(y, z) \in s_f$  it follows that  $\exists a' \in A$  such that  $(y, z) = (R_f[a'], f(a'))$  or  $y = R_f[a'] \wedge z = f(a')$ . As  $y \stackrel{[eq: 3.6]}{=} R_f[a]$  we have that  $R_f[a] = R_f[a']$ , which by [theorem: 3.11] proves that  $a R_f a'$ , so by the definition of  $R_f$  we have  $f(a) = f(a')$  hence  $z = f(a)$ . From  $(z, u) \in i_{f(A)}$  it follows that  $z = u$  hence  $u = f(a)$ . As  $x \stackrel{[eq: 3.6]}{=} a$  it follows that  $(x, u) = (a, f(a)) \in f$ . Hence

$$(i_{f(A)} \circ s_f) \circ f_{R_f} \subseteq f \quad (3.7)$$

Finally if  $(x, y) \in f$  then as  $f \subseteq A \times B$  proves that  $x \in A$  and  $f(x) = y \in f(A)$ . Hence  $(R_f[x], f(x)) \in s_f$ ,  $(x, R_f[x]) \in f_{R_f}$  and  $(f(x), y) = (f(x), f(x)) \in i_{f(A)}$ . So that  $(R_f[x], y) \in i_{f(A)} \circ s_f$  and  $(x, R_f[x]) \in f_{R_f}$  proving that  $(x, y) \in (i_{f(A)} \circ s_f) \circ f_{R_f}$ . So  $f \subseteq (i_{f(A)} \circ s_f) \circ f_{R_f}$  which combined with [eq: 3.7] gives

$$f = (i_{f(A)} \circ s_f) \circ f_{R_f} \quad \square$$

**Notation 3.23.** For the rest of this book we use the standard convention of noting a equivalence relation as  $\sim$ , The definition of  $\sim$  should then be clear from the context. If many equivalence relations are used in the same context we use superscripts like  $\sim_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $\sim_{\mathbb{Z}}$  to avoid conflicts.

## 3.3 Partial ordered classes

### 3.3.1 Order relation

First we define a partial order relation that allows us to compare two elements and specify which element 'lies before' another element.

**Definition 3.24. (Pre-order)** Let  $A$  be a class then a relation  $R \subseteq A \times A$  in  $A$  is a pre-order if it is **reflexive** and **transitive** or in other words:

**reflexivity.**  $\forall x \in A$  we have  $x R x$

**transitivity.** If  $xRy \wedge yRz$  then  $xRz$

**Definition 3.25.**  $\langle A, R \rangle$  is a pre-ordered class iff  $A$  is a class and  $R$  is a pre-order in  $A$

A order relation is a pre-order with one extra condition

**Definition 3.26. (Order relation)** If  $A$  is a class then a relation  $R \subseteq A \times A$  in  $A$  is a **order** if it is a pre-order that is anti-symmetric or in other words:

**reflectivity.**  $\forall x \in A$  we have  $xRx$

**anti-symmetry.** If  $xRy \wedge yRx$  then  $x = y$

**transitive.** If  $xRy \wedge yRz$  then  $xRz$

**Definition 3.27. (Partial ordered class)**  $\langle A, R \rangle$  is a **partial ordered class** if  $A$  is a class and  $R$  is a order.

**Notation 3.28.** We use the standard convention of noting a pre-order relation as  $\leq$ , The definition of  $\leq$  should then be clear from the context. If many pre-order relations are used in the same context we use superscripts like  $\leq_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $\leq_{\mathbb{Z}}$  or  $\preceq$  to avoid conflicts.

**Definition 3.29.** If  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  is a pre-ordered or partial class and  $x, y, z \in A$  then we define:

$$\begin{aligned} x \leq y \leq z & \text{ is the same as } x \leq y \wedge y \leq z \\ x \leq y < z & \text{ is the same as } x \leq y \wedge y < z \\ x < y \leq z & \text{ is the same as } x < y \wedge y \leq z \\ x < y < z & \text{ is the same as } x < y \wedge y < z \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 3.30.** If  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  is a pre-ordered class [or partial ordered class] then  $x < y$  is equivalent with  $x \leq y \wedge x \neq y$

**Theorem 3.31.** If  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  is a partially ordered set then

1.  $x \leq y \wedge y < z \Rightarrow x < z$
2.  $x < y \wedge y \leq z \Rightarrow x < z$
3.  $x < y \wedge y < z \Rightarrow x < z$
4.  $(x < y \vee x = y) \Leftrightarrow (x \leq y)$

or in other words

1.  $x \leq y < z \Rightarrow x < z$
2.  $x < y \leq z \Rightarrow x < z$
3.  $x < y < z \Rightarrow x < z$
4.  $(x < y \vee x = y) \Leftrightarrow x \leq y$

**Proof.**

1. If  $x \leq y \wedge y < z$  then  $x \leq y \wedge y \leq z \wedge y \neq z$ , so that  $x \leq z$  and  $y \neq z$ . Assume that  $x = z$  then  $z \leq y \stackrel{y \leq z}{=} z = y$  contradicting  $y \neq z$ , so we must have  $x \neq z$ , which together with  $x \leq z$  gives

$$x < z$$

2. If  $x < y \wedge y \leq z$  then  $x \leq y \wedge y \leq z \wedge x \neq y$ , so that  $x \leq z$  and  $x \neq y$ . Assume that  $x = z$  then  $y \leq x \stackrel{x \leq y}{=} y = x$  contradicting  $x \neq y$ , so we must have  $x \neq z$ , which together with  $x \leq z$  gives

$$x < z$$

3. If  $x < y \wedge y < z$  then  $x \neq y \wedge x \leq y \wedge y < z$  so that by (1) we have  $x < z$

4. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x < y \vee x = y) &\Leftrightarrow ((x \leq y \wedge x \neq y) \vee x = y) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow ((x \leq y \vee x = y) \wedge (x \neq y \vee x = y)) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow x \leq y \vee x = y \\
 &\Leftrightarrow x \leq y
 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Example 3.32.** Let  $A$  be a class of classes and  $\leq$  defined by  $\leq = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A} \mid x \subseteq y\}$  then  $\langle \mathcal{A}, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered class

**Proof.**

**reflectivity.** If  $A \in \mathcal{C}$  then by [theorem: 1.8]  $A \subseteq A$  so that  $A \leq A$

**anti-symmetric.** If  $A \leq B$  and  $B \leq A$  then  $A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq A$  so that by [theorem: 1.8]  $A = B$

**transitivity.** If  $A \leq B \wedge B \leq C$  then  $A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq C$  so that by [theorem: 1.8]  $A \subseteq C$  or  $A \leq C$  □

Every pre-order can be used as the base to create a order relation as is expressed in the following theorem. The basic idea is that  $x \leq y \wedge y \leq x \Rightarrow x = y$  is missing from a pre-order. By defining a equivalence relation  $\sim$  such that  $x \sim y$  if  $x \leq y \wedge y \leq x$  we turn this in equality of equivalence classes. This is a typical example about the use of equivalence relations, they allow you to define a new type of equality, so that objects that are not equal have associated equivalence classes that are equal.

**Theorem 3.33.** Let  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  be a pre-ordered set then we have

1.  $\sim \subseteq A \times A$  defined by  $\sim = \{(x, y) \in A \mid x \leq y \wedge y \leq x\}$  is a equivalence relation

2. Define  $\preceq \subseteq (A/\sim) \times (A/\sim)$  by

$$\preceq = \{(x, y) \in (A/\sim) \times (A/\sim) \mid \exists x' \in \sim[x] \text{ and } \exists y' \in \sim[y] \text{ such that } x' \leq y'\}$$

then  $\preceq$  is a order relation in  $A/\sim$ . So  $\langle A/\sim, \preceq \rangle$  is a partial ordered set

3.  $\forall x, y \in A$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow \sim[x] \preceq \sim[y]$

**Proof.**

1. To prove that  $\sim$  is a equivalence relation note:

**reflectivity.** If  $x \in A$  then  $x \leq x$  proving that  $x \sim x$

**symmetric.** If  $x \sim y$  then  $x \leq y \wedge y \leq x \Rightarrow y \leq x \wedge x \leq y$  so that  $y \sim x$

**transitive.** If  $x \sim y$  and  $y \sim z$  then  $x \leq y \wedge y \leq x \wedge y \leq z \wedge z \leq y$  so that  $x \leq z$  and  $z \leq x$  or  $x \sim z$

2. To prove that  $\preceq$  is a order relation we must prove reflectivity, symmetry and transitivity:

**reflexivity.** Take  $\sim[x]$  then as  $x \leq x$  there exists a  $u \in \sim[x]$  and  $v \in \sim[x]$  such that  $u \leq v$  [just take  $u = x = v$ ] so that

$$\sim[x] \preceq \sim[x]$$

**symmetry.** Let  $\sim[x] \preceq \sim[y]$  and  $\sim[y] \preceq \sim[x]$  then  $\exists x', x'' \in \sim[x], \exists y', y'' \in \sim[y]$  such that

$$x' \leq y' \wedge y'' \leq x''$$

From  $\exists x', x'' \in \sim[x], \exists y', y'' \in \sim[y]$  we have

$$x' \leq x \wedge x \leq x'' \wedge x'' \leq y'' \wedge y'' \leq y' \wedge y' \leq y \wedge y \leq y''$$

From  $x \leq x'$  and  $x' \leq y'$  we have  $x \leq y'$ , as  $y' \leq y$  we have

$$x \leq y$$

From  $y \leq y''$  and  $y'' \leq x''$  we have  $y \leq x''$ , as  $x'' \leq x$  it follows that

$$y \leq x$$

Finally from  $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq x$  we have that  $x \sim y$  which by [theorem: 3.11] gives

$$\sim[x] = \sim[y]$$

**transitivity.** Assume that  $\sim[x] \preceq \sim[y]$  and  $\sim[y] \preceq \sim[z]$  then we have the existence of  $x' \in \sim[x]$ ,  $y', y'' \in \sim[y]$  and  $z' \in \sim[z]$  such that

$$x' \leq y' \wedge y'' \leq z'$$

From  $x' \in \sim[x]$ ,  $y', y'' \in \sim[y]$  and  $z' \in \sim[z]$  it follows that

$$x' \leq x \wedge x \leq x' \wedge y' \leq y \wedge y \leq y' \leq y'' \leq y \wedge y \leq y'' \wedge z' \leq z \wedge z \leq z'$$

From  $x \leq x'$  and  $x' \leq y'$  we have  $x \leq y'$ , as  $y' \leq y$  we have  $x \leq y$ , as  $y \leq y''$  it follows that  $x \leq y''$ , from  $y'' \leq z'$  we have that  $x \leq z'$  and finally from  $z' \leq z$  it follows that  $x \leq z$ . Hence

$$\sim[x] \preceq \sim[z]$$

3.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $x \leq y$  then as  $x \in \sim[x]$  and  $y \in \sim[y]$  we have  $\sim[x] \preceq \sim[y]$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $\sim[x] \preceq \sim[y]$  then  $\exists x' \in \sim[x]$  and  $\exists y' \in \sim[y]$  such that

$$x' \leq y'$$

From  $x' \in \sim[x]$  and  $y' \in \sim[y]$  we have that

$$x' \leq x \wedge x \leq x' \wedge y' \leq y \wedge y \leq y'$$

From  $x \leq x'$  and  $x' \leq y'$  it follows that  $x \leq y'$  and as  $y' \leq y$  it follows that

$$x \leq y$$

□

Given a partial ordered class then we can induce the order on a sub-class making the sub-class also a partial ordered class.

**Theorem 3.34.** If  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered sets and  $B \subseteq A$  then  $\leq|_B$  defined by

$$\leq|_B = \bigcap_{x \in B} B \times B = B$$

is a order relation in  $B$  making  $\langle B, \leq|_B \rangle$  a partial ordered set.

**Proof.**

**reflectivity.** If  $x \in B$  then  $x \leq x$  or  $(x, x) \in \leq|_B \Rightarrow (x, x) \in \bigcap_{x \in B} (B \times B)$  hence  $x \leq|_B x$

**symmetry.** If  $x \leq|_B y \wedge y \leq|_B x \Rightarrow x \leq y \wedge y \leq x \Rightarrow x = y$

**transitivity.** If  $x \leq|_B y \wedge y \leq|_B z \Rightarrow x \leq y \wedge y \leq z \Rightarrow x \leq z \Rightarrow_{x, z \in B} x \leq|_B z$

□

**Convention 3.35.** To avoid excessive usage notation we write  $\langle B, \leq \rangle$  instead of  $\langle B, \leq|_B \rangle$

The following shows a technique of defining a partial order on the Cartesian product of partial ordered set.

**Theorem 3.36. (Lexical ordering)** Let  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  be partial ordered classes then  $\leq_{A \times B}$  defined by

$$\leq_{A \times B} = \{((x, y), (u, v)) \in (A \times B) \times (A \times B) | (x \neq u \wedge x \leq_A u) \vee (x = y \wedge y \leq_B v)\}$$

is a order in  $A \times B$  making  $\langle (A \times B) \times (A \times B), \leq_{A \times B} \rangle$  a partial ordered set

**Proof.**

**reflexivity.** If  $(x, y) \in A \times B$  then  $x \leq_A x \wedge y \leq_B y$  proving that  $(x, y) \leq_{A \times B} (x, y)$

**symmetry.** Let  $(x, y) \leq_{A \times B} (u, v) \wedge (u, v) \leq_{A \times B} (x, y)$ . If  $x \neq u$  we would have  $x \leq_A u \wedge u \leq_A x \Rightarrow x = u$  a contradiction. So we must have that  $x = u$  but then  $y \leq_B v \wedge v \leq_B y \Rightarrow y = v$  proving that

$$(x, y) = (u, v)$$

**transitivity.** Let  $(x, y) \leq_{A \times B} (u, v) \wedge (u, v) \leq_{A \times B} (r, s)$  then we have to consider the following cases:

**$x = u$ .** Then  $y \leq_B v$  and we have the following possibilities

**$u = r$ .** Then  $v \leq_B s$  so that  $y \leq_B s$  which as  $x = r$  proves that

$$(x, y) \leq_{A \times B} (r, s)$$

**$u \neq r$ .** Then  $u \leq_A r \Rightarrow_{x=u} x \leq_A r$  which as  $x \neq r$  proves that

$$(x, y) \leq_{A \times B} (r, s)$$

**$x \neq u$ .** Then  $x \leq_A u$  and we have the following possibilities

**$u = r$ .** Then  $x \leq_A u \Rightarrow_{u=r} x \leq_A r$  and  $x \neq r$  so that

$$(x, y) \leq_{A \times B} (r, s)$$

**$u \neq r$ .** Then  $u \leq_A r$  so that  $x \leq_A r$ . If  $x = r$  then we would have  $x \leq_A u \wedge u \leq_A x$  giving  $x = u$  contradicting  $x \neq u$ . So we must have  $x \neq r$  which as  $x \leq_A r$  gives

$$(x, y) \leq_{A \times B} (r, s) \quad \square$$

**Definition 3.37.** Let  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered class then  $x, y \in A$  are **comparable** if  $x \leq y$  or  $y \leq x$

**Theorem 3.38.** Let  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered class and  $x, y \in A$  comparable elements then we have either  $x \leq y$  or  $y < x$

**Proof.** As  $x, y$  are comparable then we have  $x \leq y \vee y \leq x$ , consider the following cases:

**$x \leq y$ .** then  $x \leq y$

**$\neg(x \leq y)$ .** then we must have  $y \leq x$ . If  $x = y$  then as  $x \leq x$  we have  $x \leq y$  contradicting  $\neg(x \leq y)$  so that  $x \neq y$  proving  $y < x$ .

Hence we have

$$x \leq y \vee y < x \quad \square$$

**Definition 3.39.** A pre-ordered class  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  is a **totally ordered class** iff

$$\forall x, y \in A \text{ we have } x \leq y \vee y \leq x$$

In other words  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  is a **totally ordered class** if every pair of elements are comparable. Other names used in the literature are **fully ordered class** or **linear ordered class**.

**Definition 3.40. (chain)** Let  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered class and  $C \subseteq A$  then  $C$  is called a **chain** if  $\forall x, y \in C$  we have that  $x \leq y$  or  $y \leq x$ .

**Example 3.41.** Let  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered class then  $\emptyset$  is a chain

**Proof.** The condition  $\forall x, y \in \emptyset$  we have that  $x, y$  are comparable is satisfied vacuously.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.42.** Let  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered class and  $B \subseteq A$  a chain then  $\langle B, \leq|_B \rangle$  is a totally ordered class

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 3.34] we have that  $\langle B, \leq|_B \rangle$  is a partial ordered class. Let  $x, y \in B$  then as  $B$  is a chain we have that  $\forall x, y \in B$   $x \leq y \vee y \leq x$  or using the definition of  $\leq|_B$  that  $x \leq|_B y \vee y \leq|_B x$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.43.** Let  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  be a totally ordered class and  $B \subseteq A$  then  $B$  is a chain [hence by [theorem: 3.42]  $\langle B, \leq|_B \rangle$  is a totally ordered class]

**Proof.** If  $x, y \in B$  then  $x, y \in A$  and as  $A$  is totally ordered we have  $x \leq y \vee y \leq x$  so  $B$  is a chain  $\square$

**Theorem 3.44.** Let  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  be totally ordered classes then  $\langle A \times B, \leq_{A \times B} \rangle$  is a totally ordered class.

**Proof.** First  $\langle A \times B, \leq_{A \times B} \rangle$  is a partially ordered class by [theorem: 3.36]. If  $(x, y), (x', y') \in A \times B$  then we have for  $x, x'$  either

$x = x'$ . As  $\langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  is fully ordered we have either

$y \leq y'$ . then  $(x, y) \leq (x', y')$

$y' \leq y$ . then  $(x', y') \leq (x, y)$

$x \neq x'$ . As  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle$  is fully ordered we have either

$x \leq x'$ . then  $(x, y) \leq (x', y')$

$x' \leq x$ . then  $(x', y') \leq (x, y)$   $\square$

**Definition 3.45. (Initial Segment)** If  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered class,  $a \in A$  then a *initial segment of A determined by a* noted as  $S_{A,a}$  is defined by

$$S_{A,a} = \{x \in A \mid x < a\}$$

We have the following trivial result for initial segments.

**Proposition 3.46.** If  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered class and  $a, b \in A$  such that  $a \leq b$  then  $S_{A,a} \subseteq S_{A,b}$

**Proof.** If  $x \in S_{A,a}$  then  $x < a \xRightarrow{a \leq b} x < b$  proving that  $x \in S_{A,b}$   $\square$

**Theorem 3.47.** If  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered class and  $P$  is a initial segment of  $A$  and  $Q$  is a initial segment of  $P$  [using the induced order  $\leq|_P$ ] then  $Q$  is a initial segment of  $A$

**Proof.** Using the hypothesis there exists  $a \in A$  such that  $P = \{x \in A \mid x < a\}$  and a  $b \in P$  such that  $Q = \{x \in P \mid x < b\}$ . Consider then the initial segment  $S_{A,b} = \{x \in A \mid x < b\}$  of  $A$  determined by  $a$  then we have

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 x \in S_{A,b} & \Rightarrow x \in A \wedge x < b \\
 & \xRightarrow{b < a \Rightarrow x < b \Rightarrow x < a} x \in A \wedge x < a \wedge x < b \\
 & \Rightarrow x \in P \wedge x < b \\
 & \Rightarrow x \in P \wedge x <|_P b \\
 & \Rightarrow x \in Q \\
 x \in Q & \Rightarrow x \in P \wedge x <|_P b \\
 & \Rightarrow x \in P \wedge x < b \\
 & \xRightarrow{P \subseteq A} x \in A \wedge x < b \\
 & \Rightarrow x \in S_{A,b}
 \end{array}$$

Hence  $Q = S_{A,b}$  a initial segment of  $A$  □

### 3.3.2 Order relations and functions

Functions between two partial ordered classes can be classified based on the fact that they preserve or not preserve the order relation. This is expressed in the next definition.

**Definition 3.48.** Let  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle, \langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  be partial ordered classes and  $f: A \rightarrow B$  a function then:

1.  $f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow B$  is **increasing** if  $\forall x, y \in A$  with  $x \leq y$  we have  $f(x) \leq f(y)$ . Another name that is used is **a order homeomorphism** [a homeomorphism is a function that preserve a certain operation, in this case the order relation]
2.  $f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  is **strictly increasing** if  $\forall x, y \in A$  with  $x < y$  we have  $f(x) < f(y)$
3.  $f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  is **decreasing** if  $\forall x, y \in A$  with  $x \leq y$  we have  $f(y) \leq f(x)$
4.  $f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  is **strictly decreasing** if  $\forall x, y \in A$  with  $x < y$  we have  $f(y) < f(x)$
5.  $f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  is a **order isomorphism** if  $\forall x, y \in A$  with  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow f(x) \leq f(y)$

**Definition 3.49.** Two partial ordered classes  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  are **order isomorphic** noted as  $A \cong B$  if there exists order isomorphism between  $A$  and  $B$ .

**Theorem 3.50.** Let  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle, \langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  be two partial ordered classes,  $D \subseteq B$  and

$f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle D, (\leq_B)|_D \rangle$  be a order homeomorphism [see theorem: 3.34 for  $\langle D, (\leq_B)|_D \rangle$ ]

then

$f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  is a order homeomorphism

**Proof.** The proof is trivial for if  $x, y \in A$  with  $x \leq_A y$  then  $f(x) (\leq_B)|_D f(y) \xrightarrow{3.34} f(x) \leq_B f(y)$  □

**Theorem 3.51.** Let  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle, \langle B, \leq_B \rangle, \langle C, \leq_C \rangle$  be partial ordered classes,  $D \subseteq B$

1. If  $D \subseteq B$  is equiped with the induced order from  $\langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  [see theorem: 3.34] and

$f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle D, \leq_B \rangle$  and  $g: \langle B, \leq_B \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \leq_C \rangle$  are order homeomorphisms

then

$g \circ f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \leq_C \rangle$  is a order homeomorphism

2. If  $D \subseteq B$  is equiped with the induced order from  $\langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  [see theorem: 3.34] and

$f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle D, \leq_B \rangle$  and  $g: \langle B, \leq_B \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \leq_C \rangle$  are strictly increasing

then

$g \circ f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \leq_C \rangle$  is stritly increasing

3. If  $D \subseteq B$  is equiped with the induced order from  $\langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  [see theorem: 3.34] and

$f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle D, \leq_B \rangle$  and  $g: \langle B, \leq_B \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \leq_C \rangle$  are order isomorphism

then

$g \circ f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle g(f(A)), \leq_C \rangle$  is a order isomorphism

or as  $D \xrightarrow{f: a \rightarrow D} \overset{=}{=} \text{is bijective} f(A)$

$g \circ f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle g(D), \leq_C \rangle$  is a order isomorphism

**Proof.**

1. Let  $x, y \in A$  with  $x \leq_A y$  then  $f(x) \leq_B f(y)$  hence  $(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) \leq_C g(f(y)) = (g \circ f)(y)$ .

2. Let  $x, y \in A$  with  $x <_A y$  then  $f(x) <_B f(y)$  hence  $(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) <_C g(f(y)) = (g \circ f)(y)$ .
3. Using [theorem: 2.73] we have that  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow g(D) = g(f(A))$  is a bijection. Let  $x, y \in A$ . If  $x \leq_A y$  then  $f(x) \leq_B f(y)$  hence  $(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) \leq_C g(f(y)) = (g \circ f)(y)$ . Also if  $(g \circ f)(x) \leq_C (g \circ f)(y)$  then  $g(f(x)) \leq_C g(f(y))$  so that  $f(x) \leq_B f(y)$ , giving  $x \leq_A y$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.52.** If  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  are partially ordered classes and

$$f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \leq_B \rangle \text{ a order isomorphism}$$

then  $\forall x, y \in A$  we have

$$x <_A y \Leftrightarrow f(x) <_B f(y)$$

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $x <_A y$  then  $x \neq y$  and  $x \leq_A y \Rightarrow f(x) \leq_B f(y)$ . Assume that  $f(x) = f(y)$  then as  $f$  is a bijection we would have  $x = y$  contradicting  $x \neq y$ . So we must have that  $f(x) \neq f(y)$  hence

$$f(x) <_B f(y)$$

$\Leftarrow$ . As  $f(x) <_B f(y)$  we have that  $f(x) \neq f(y)$  so that we must have  $x \neq y$ . Further as  $f$  is a isomorphism we have  $x \leq_A y$ . So

$$x <_A y \quad \square$$

**Theorem 3.53.** If  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  are partially ordered classes and  $f: A \rightarrow B$  a bijection then  $f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  is a order isomorphism  $\Leftrightarrow f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  and  $f^{-1}: \langle B, \leq_B \rangle \rightarrow \langle A, \leq_A \rangle$  are increasing functions

**Proof.** As  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a bijection we have by [theorems: 2.67, 2.71] that  $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$  is a bijection.

$\Rightarrow$ . As  $f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  is a isomorphism we have that  $\forall x, y \in A$  with  $x \leq_A y \Rightarrow f(x) \leq f(y)$  hence  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is increasing. If  $x, y \in B$  with  $x \leq_B y$  then

$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = (f \circ f^{-1})(x) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.68}]}{=} x \leq_B y = (f \circ f^{-1})(y) = f(f^{-1}(y))$$

which as  $f$  is a isomorphism proves that  $f^{-1}(x) \leq_A f^{-1}(y)$ , hence  $f^{-1}$  is increasing.

$\Leftarrow$ . Suppose that  $f, f^{-1}$  are increasing functions then if  $x \leq_A y \xRightarrow{f \text{ is increasing}} f(x) \leq_B f(y)$ . Further if  $f(x) \leq_B f(y) \xRightarrow{f^{-1} \text{ is increasing}} f^{-1}(f(x)) \leq_A f^{-1}(f(y)) \Rightarrow x \leq y$   $\square$

**Theorem 3.54.** If  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle, \langle C, \leq_C \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  are partially ordered classes then

1.  $1_A: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle A, \leq_A \rangle$  is a order isomorphism
2. If  $f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  is a order isomorphism then  $f^{-1}: \langle B, \leq_B \rangle \rightarrow \langle A, \leq_A \rangle$  is a order isomorphism
3. If  $f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow B$  and  $g: \langle B, \leq_B \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \leq_C \rangle$  are order isomorphism's then

$$g \circ f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \leq_C \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

**Proof.**

1. By 2.47 we have that  $\text{Id}_A: A \rightarrow A$  is a bijection then, as  $x = \text{Id}_A(x)$  and  $y = \text{Id}_A(y)$ , we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow \text{Id}_A(x) \leq \text{Id}_A(y)$ .
2. If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a isomorphism then by [theorem: 2.71] we have that  $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$  is a bijection. By the previous theorem [theorem: 3.53] we have that  $f^{-1}$  is increasing. Further as by 2.72  $f = (f^{-1})^{-1}$  and by [theorem: 3.53]  $f$  is increasing it follows that  $(f^{-1})^{-1}$  is increasing. Using then [theorem: 3.53] it follows that  $f^{-1}$  is a isomorphism.
3. This follows from [theorem: 3.51]  $\square$



**Theorem 3.55.** If  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle$ ,  $\langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  and  $\langle C, \leq_C \rangle$  are partially ordered classes then we have

1.  $A \cong A$
2. If  $A \cong B$  then  $B \cong A$
3. If  $A \cong B$  and  $B \cong D$  then  $A \cong D$

**Proof.** This follows easily from the previous theorem [theorem: 3.54] □

**Theorem 3.56.** Let  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle$  be a totally ordered class and  $\langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  is a partially ordered class then a bijective and increasing function  $f: \langle A, \leq_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \leq_B \rangle$  is an isomorphism

**Proof.** Suppose that  $f(x) \leq_B f(y)$  then since  $A$  is fully ordered we have that  $x, y$  are comparable therefore by [theorem: 3.37] we have the following exclusive cases

1.  $x \leq_A y$  in this case our theorem is proved
2.  $y <_A x$  in this case we would have  $f(y) \leq_B f(x) \Rightarrow f(y) = f(x) \xRightarrow{f \text{ is injective}} x = y$  a contradiction. So this case does not occur. □

### 3.3.3 Min, max, supremum and infimum

**Definition 3.57.** Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a pre-ordered class and  $A \subseteq X$  then

1.  $m$  is a **maximal element** of  $A$  iff  $m \in A$  and if  $\forall x \in A$  with  $m \leq x$  we have  $x = m$
2.  $m$  is a **minimal element** of  $A$  iff  $m \in A$  and if  $\forall x \in A$  with  $x \leq m$  we have  $x = m$

**Definition 3.58.** If  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered class and  $A \subseteq X$  then

1.  $m$  is the **greatest element** of  $A$  iff  $m \in A$  and  $\forall x \in A$  we have  $x \leq m$
2.  $m$  is the **least element** of  $A$  iff  $m \in A$  and  $\forall x \in A$  we have  $m \leq x$

**Note 3.59.** There is a subtle difference between the definition of a maximal (minimal) element and the greatest (least) element. If  $m$  is the greatest (least) element of  $A$  then every element in  $A$  is comparable with  $m$ , which is not the case if  $m$  is a maximal (minimal) element of  $A$ .

**Note 3.60.** The empty set  $\emptyset$  can not have a maximal, minimal element, greatest element or least element.

**Theorem 3.61.** If  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered class and  $A \subseteq X$  then

1. If  $m, m'$  are greatest elements of  $A$  then  $m = m'$
2. If  $m, m'$  are least elements of  $A$  then  $m = m'$

The unique greatest element of  $A$  (if it exist) is called the maximum of  $A$  and noted as  $\max(A)$ , the unique least element of  $A$  (if it exist) is called the minimum of  $A$  and noted as  $\min(A)$

**Proof.**

1. If  $m, m'$  are greatest elements of  $A$  then as  $m, m' \in A$  we have  $m \leq m' \wedge m' \leq m$  so that  $m = m'$ .
2. If  $m, m'$  are least elements of  $A$  then as  $m, m' \in A$  we have  $m \leq m' \wedge m' \leq m$  so that  $m = m'$ . □

**Theorem 3.62.** If  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered class and  $A \subseteq X$  such that  $\min(A)$  and  $\max(A)$  exist then  $\min(A) \leq \max(A)$

**Proof.** As  $\min(A) \in A$  we have by definition that  $\min(A) \leq \max(A)$ . □

**Theorem 3.63.** Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered class,  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $B \subseteq X$  then

1. If  $\max(A)$  and  $\max(B)$  exist and  $\forall x \in A \exists y \in B$  such that  $x \leq y$  then  $\max(A) \leq \max(B)$
2. If  $\min(A)$  and  $\min(B)$  exist  $\forall x \in B \exists y \in A$  such that  $y \leq x$  then  $\min(A) \leq \min(B)$

**Proof.**

1. As  $\max(A) \in A$  there exist a  $y \in B$  such that  $\max(A) \leq y$ , as  $y \leq \max(B)$  we have

$$\max(A) \leq \max(B)$$

2. As  $\min(B) \in B$  there exist a  $y \in A$  such that  $y \leq \min(B)$ , as  $\min(A) \leq y$  we have

$$\min(A) \leq \min(B)$$

□

**Definition 3.64.** If  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered class and  $A \subseteq X$  then

1.  $u \in X$  is a **upper bound** of  $A$  if  $\forall a \in A a \leq u$ .
2.  $A$  is **bounded above** if it has a upper bound.
3.  $l \in X$  is a **lower bound** of  $A$  if  $\forall x \in A l \leq x$
4.  $A$  is **bounded below** if it has a lower bound.
5.  $v(A) = \{x \in X \mid x \text{ is a upper bound of } A\}$  [the class of upper bound of  $A$ ]
6.  $\lambda(A) = \{x \in X \mid x \text{ is a lower bound of } A\}$  [the class of lower bounds of  $A$ ]

**Example 3.65.** If  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  then  $v(\emptyset) = X$  and  $\lambda(\emptyset) = X$

**Proof.** Let  $x \in X$  then as  $\forall a \in \emptyset a \leq x$  [or  $x \leq a$ ] is vacuously satisfied  $X \subseteq v(A)$  and  $X \subseteq \lambda(A)$ , which as  $v(X) \subseteq X$  and  $\lambda(X) \subseteq X$  proves  $v(A) = X = \lambda(A)$ . □

**Definition 3.66.** If  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered class and  $A \subseteq X$  then

1. If  $\min(v(A))$  exists then  $\min(v(A))$  is called the **supremum** of  $A$  and noted as  $\sup(A)$ .
2. If  $\max(\lambda(A))$  exists then  $\max(\lambda(A))$  is called the **infimum** of  $A$  and noted as  $\inf(A)$

In other words if  $v(A)$  has a least element then the supremum of  $A$  is this unique, by [theorem: 3.61], element. So  $\sup(A)$  is the least upper bound of  $A$  [if it exist] and it is itself a upper bound. If  $\lambda(A)$  has a least element then the infimum of  $A$  is this unique, by [theorem: 3.61], element. So  $\inf(A)$  is the greatest lower bound [if it exist] and it is itself a lower bound.

**Example 3.67.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a class of classes and  $\langle \mathcal{A}, \leq \rangle$  the partial class where

$$\leq = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A} \mid x \subseteq y\}$$

[see example: 3.32] and  $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  we have that

1. If  $\bigcap \mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $\inf(\mathcal{B})$  exist and  $\inf(\mathcal{B}) = \bigcap \mathcal{B}$
2. If  $\bigcup \mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $\sup(\mathcal{B})$  exist and  $\sup(\mathcal{B}) = \bigcup \mathcal{B}$

**Proof.**

1. If  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  then by [theorem: 1.60]  $\bigcap \mathcal{B} \subseteq B \Rightarrow \bigcap \mathcal{B} \leq B$  so that  $\bigcap \mathcal{B} \in \lambda(\mathcal{B})$ . Now if  $C \in \lambda(\mathcal{B})$  then  $\forall B \in \mathcal{B}$  we have that  $C \leq B \Rightarrow C \subseteq B$ , so that by [theorem: 1.60] we have  $C \subseteq \bigcap \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow C \leq \bigcap \mathcal{B}$  so that  $\bigcap \mathcal{B}$  is the greatest element of  $\lambda(\mathcal{B})$  proving that  $\inf(\mathcal{B})$  exists and  $\inf(\mathcal{B}) = \bigcap \mathcal{B}$ .
2. If  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  then by [theorem: 1.60]  $B \subseteq \bigcup \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow B \leq \bigcup \mathcal{B}$  so that  $\bigcup \mathcal{B} \in v(\mathcal{B})$ . Now if  $C \in v(\mathcal{B})$  then  $\forall B \in \mathcal{B}$  we have that  $B \leq C \Rightarrow B \subseteq C$ , so that by [theorem: 1.60] we have  $\bigcup \mathcal{B} \subseteq C \Rightarrow \bigcup \mathcal{B} \leq C$  so that  $\bigcup \mathcal{B}$  is the lowest element of  $v(\mathcal{B})$  proving that  $\sup(\mathcal{B})$  exists and  $\sup(\mathcal{B}) = \bigcup \mathcal{B}$ . □

The following theorem will be used a lot of time when dealing with supremums and infimums.

**Theorem 3.68.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a totally ordered set and  $A \subseteq X$  then*

1. *If  $\sup(A)$  exists then  $\forall x \in X$  with  $x < \sup(A)$  there  $\exists a \in A$  such that  $x < a \wedge a \leq \sup(A)$*
2. *If  $\inf(A)$  exist then  $\forall x \in X$  with  $\inf(A) < x$  there  $\exists a \in A$  such that  $\inf(A) \leq a \wedge a < x$*

**Proof.** First as  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered we have  $\forall x, y \in X$  that  $x, y$  are comparable, hence by [theorem: 3.38], we have  $x \leq y \wedge y < x /$

1. Let  $x \in X$  such that  $x < \sup(A)$ . Assume that  $\forall a \in A$  we have  $\neg(x < a)$  so that  $a \leq x$ , so  $x$  is a upper bound of  $A$ , hence  $x \in v(A)$ , so that  $\sup(A) = \min(v(A)) \leq x$ , which, as  $x < \sup(A)$ , leads to the contradiction  $x < x$ . So we must have that  $\exists a \in A$  such that  $x < a$ , further as  $\sup(A)$  is a upper bound we have that  $a \leq \sup(A)$ . So

$$\exists a \in A \quad x < a \wedge a \leq \sup(A)$$

2. Let  $x \in X$  such that  $\inf(A) < x$ . Assume that  $\forall a \in A$  we have  $\neg(a < x)$  so that  $x \leq a$ , so  $x$  is a lower bound of  $A$ , hence  $x \in \lambda(A)$ , so that  $x \leq \max(\lambda(A)) = \inf(A)$ , which, as  $\inf(A) < x$ , leads to the contradiction  $x < x$ . So we must have that  $\exists a \in A$  such that  $a \leq x$ , further as  $\inf(A)$  is a lower bound we have we have that  $\inf(A) \leq a$ . So

$$\exists a \in A \quad \inf(A) \leq a \wedge a < x$$

□

**Lemma 3.69.** *If  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is a partially ordered class and  $A \subseteq X, B \subseteq X$  with  $A \subseteq B$  then*

1. *If  $\max(A)$  and  $\max(B)$  exist then  $\max(A) \leq \max(B)$*
2. *If  $\min(A)$  and  $\min(B)$  exists then  $\min(B) \leq \min(A)$*

**Proof.**

1. As  $\max(A) \in A$  and  $A \subseteq B$  we have that  $\max(A) \in B$  so that  $\max(A) \leq \max(B)$
2. As  $\min(A) \in A$  and  $A \subseteq B$  we have that  $\min(A) \in B$  so that  $\min(B) \leq \min(A)$

□

**Lemma 3.70.** *If  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is a partially ordered class and  $A \subseteq X, B \subseteq X$  with  $A \subseteq B$  then*

1.  $v(B) \subseteq v(A)$
2.  $\lambda(B) \subseteq \lambda(A)$

**Proof.**

1. Let  $x \in v(B)$  then  $\forall a \in A$  we have, as  $A \subseteq B$  that  $a \in B$  hence  $a \leq x$  proving that  $x$  is a upper bound of  $A$  or  $x \in v(A)$ .
2. Let  $x \in \lambda(B)$  then  $\forall a \in A$  we have as  $A \subseteq B$  hat  $a \in B$  hence  $x \leq a$  proving that  $x$  is a lower bound of  $A$  or  $x \in \lambda(A)$ .

□

**Theorem 3.71.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered class and  $A \subseteq X, B \subseteq Y$  such that  $A \subseteq B$  then*

1. *If  $\sup(A)$  and  $\sup(B)$  exist then  $\sup(A) \leq \sup(B)$*
2. *If  $\inf(A)$  and  $\inf(B)$  exist then  $\inf(B) \leq \inf(A)$*

**Proof.**

1. Using [lemma: 3.70] we have that  $v(B) \subseteq v(A)$  so that by [lemma: 3.69]

$$\sup(A) = \min(v(A)) \leq \min(v(B)) = \sup(B)$$

2. Using [lemma: 3.70] we have that  $\lambda(B) \subseteq \lambda(A)$  so that by [lemma: 3.69]

$$\inf(B) = \max(\lambda(B)) \leq \max(\lambda(A)) = \inf(A)$$

□

**Theorem 3.72.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered class and  $A \subseteq X, B \subseteq X$  then*

1. *If  $\sup(A), \sup(B)$  exists and  $\forall a \in A \exists b \in B$  such that  $a \leq b$  then  $\sup(A) \leq \sup(B)$*
2. *If  $\inf(A)$  and  $\inf(B)$  exist and  $\forall a \in A \exists b \in B$  such that  $b \leq a$  then  $\inf(B) \leq \inf(A)$*

**Proof.**

1. Let  $a \in A$  then  $\exists b \in B$  such that  $a \leq b$ , as  $b \leq \sup(B)$  it follows that  $a \leq \sup(B)$ . Hence  $\sup(B) \in v(A)$ . So  $\sup(A) = \min(v(A)) \leq \sup(A)$ , hence

$$\sup(A) \leq \sup(B)$$

2. Let  $a \in A$  then  $\exists b \in B$  such that  $b \leq a$ , as  $\inf(B) \leq b$  it follows that  $\inf(B) \leq a$ . Hence  $\inf(B) \in \lambda(A)$ , So  $\inf(B) \leq \max(\lambda(A)) = \inf(A)$ , hence

$$\inf(B) \leq \inf(A) \quad \square$$

We have by definition that  $\sup(A)$  exists if  $\min(v(A))$  exists and  $\inf(A)$  exist if  $\max(\lambda(A))$  exist. The following theorem shows that there is a weaker condition for the existence of  $\sup(A)$  and  $\inf(A)$ .

**Theorem 3.73.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered class and  $A \subseteq X$  then*

1. *If  $\lambda(A)$  has a supremum then  $A$  has a infimum and  $\sup(\lambda(A)) = \inf(A)$*
2. *If  $v(A)$  has a infimum then  $A$  has a supremum and  $\inf(v(A)) = \sup(A)$*

**Proof.**

1. If  $a \in A$  then  $\forall y \in \lambda(A)$  we have  $y \leq a$  so that  $a \in v(\lambda(A))$ . As  $\sup(\lambda(A)) = \min(v(\lambda(A)))$  we have that  $\sup(\lambda(A)) \leq a$ . As  $a \in A$  was arbitrary chosen we have that

$$\sup(\lambda(A)) \in \lambda(A) \quad (3.8)$$

If  $x \in \lambda(A)$ , then, as  $\sup(\lambda(A))$  is a upper bound of  $\lambda(A)$ , we have  $x \leq \sup(\lambda(A))$ . So

$$\forall x \in \lambda(A) \text{ we have } x \leq \sup(\lambda(A)) \quad (3.9)$$

Using [eq: 3.8] and [eq: 3.9] it follows that  $\sup(\lambda(A)) = \max(\lambda(A)) = \inf(A)$  or

$$\sup(\lambda(A)) = \inf(A)$$

2. If  $a \in A$  then  $\forall y \in v(A)$  we have  $a \leq y$  so that  $a \in \lambda(v(A))$ . As  $\inf(v(A)) = \max(\lambda(v(A)))$  we have that  $a \leq \inf(v(A))$ . As  $a \in A$  was arbitrary chosen we have that

$$\inf(v(A)) \in v(A) \quad (3.10)$$

If  $x \in v(A)$ , then, as  $\inf(v(A))$  is a lower bound of  $v(A)$ , we have  $\inf(v(A)) \leq x$ . So we have that

$$\forall x \in v(A) \text{ we have that } \inf(v(A)) \leq x \quad (3.11)$$

Using [eq: 3.10] and [eq: 3.11] it follows that  $\inf(v(A)) = \min(v(A)) = \sup(A)$  or

$$\inf(v(A)) = \sup(A) \quad \square$$

In general it is not guaranteed that  $\sup(A)$  or  $\inf(A)$  exists. However there exists partial order classes that guarantees the existence of a supremum for non empty sub-classes that are bounded above.

**Definition 3.74. (Conditional Completeness)** *A partial ordered class  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is **conditional complete** if every non empty sub-class of  $A$  that is bounded above has a supremum.*

The next theorem shows that conditional completeness can also be defined based on bounded below and infimum.

**Theorem 3.75.** *If  $\langle A, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered class then the following are equivalent*

1. *Every non empty sub-class of  $X$  that is bounded above has a supremum [  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete ]*

2. Every non empty sub-class of  $X$  that is bounded below has a infimum

**Proof.**

**1  $\Rightarrow$  2.** Let  $A \subseteq X$  a non empty sub-class that is bounded below. As  $A \neq \emptyset$  there exists a  $a \in A$ , further by definition of  $\lambda(A)$  we have  $\forall y \in \lambda(A)$  that  $y \leq a$  so  $\lambda(A)$  is bounded above. As  $A$  is bounded below we have that  $\lambda(A) \neq \emptyset$ . So by the hypothesis  $\sup(\lambda(A))$  exist. Applying then [theorem: 3.73] proves

$$\inf(A) \text{ exist}$$

**2  $\Rightarrow$  1.** Let  $A \subseteq X$  a non empty sub-class that is bounded above. As  $A \neq \emptyset$  there exists a  $a \in A$ , further by definition of  $v(A)$  we have  $\forall y \in v(A)$  that  $a \leq y$  so  $v(A)$  is bounded below. As  $A$  is bounded above we have that  $v(A) \neq \emptyset$ . So by the hypothesis  $\inf(v(A))$  exist. Applying then [theorem: 3.73] proves

$$\sup(A) \text{ exist}$$

□

Next we show that a order isomorphism preserves the concepts of greatest element, least element, upper bound, lower bound, supremum and infimum.

**Lemma 3.76.** Let  $\langle X, \leq_X \rangle, \langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  be partial ordered classes,  $f: \langle X, \leq_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  is a order isomorphism,  $A \subseteq X$  and  $B \subseteq Y$  then

1. If  $u$  is a upper bound of  $B$  then  $(f^{-1})(u)$  is a upper bound of  $f^{-1}(B)$
2. If  $l$  is a lower bound of  $B$  then  $(f^{-1})(l)$  is a lower bound of  $f^{-1}(B)$
3. If  $u$  is a upper bound of  $A$  then  $f(u)$  is a upper bound of  $f(A)$
4. If  $l$  is a lower bound of  $A$  then  $f(l)$  is a lower bound of  $f(A)$
5.  $f(v(A)) = v(f(A))$
6.  $f(\lambda(A)) = \lambda(f(A))$
7. If  $\max(A)$  exist then  $\max(f(A))$  exist and  $\max(f(A)) = f(\max(A))$
8. If  $\min(A)$  exist then  $\min(f(A))$  exist and  $\min(f(A)) = f(\min(A))$
9. If  $\sup(A)$  exist then  $\sup(f(A))$  exist and  $\sup(f(A)) = f(\sup(A))$
10. If  $\inf(A)$  exist then  $\inf(f(A))$  exist and  $\inf(f(A)) = f(\inf(A))$

**Proof.** First using [theorem: 3.53] we have that  $f: \langle X, \leq_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  and  $f^{-1}: \langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle \rightarrow \langle X, \leq_X \rangle$  are increasing.

1. Let  $x \in f^{-1}(B)$  then  $\exists y \in B$  such that  $y = f(x)$ , as  $u$  is a upper bound of  $B$ , we have that  $y \leq_B u$ . So  $x \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.69}]}{=} (f^{-1})(f(x)) = (f^{-1})(y) \leq_A (f^{-1})(u)$ , proving that  $(f^{-1})(u)$  is a upper bound of  $f^{-1}(B)$ .
2. Let  $x \in f^{-1}(B)$  then  $\exists y \in B$  such that  $y = f(x)$ , as  $l$  is a lower bound of  $B$  we have that  $l \leq_B y$ . So  $(f^{-1})(l) \leq_A (f^{-1})(y) = (f^{-1})(f(x)) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.69}]}{=} x$ , proving that  $(f^{-1})(l)$  is a lower bound of  $f^{-1}(B)$ .
3. If  $y \in f(A)$  then  $\exists x \in A$  such that  $y = f(x)$ . As  $u$  is a upper bound of  $A$  we have that  $x \leq_A u$ , so  $y = f(x) \leq_B f(u)$  proving that  $f(u)$  is a upper bound of  $f(A)$ .
4. If  $y \in f(A)$  then  $\exists x \in A$  such that  $y = f(x)$ , As  $l$  is a lower bound of  $A$  we have that  $l \leq_A x$ , so  $f(l) \leq_B f(x) = y$  proving that  $f(l)$  is a lower bound of  $f(A)$ .
5. If  $y \in f(v(A))$  then there  $\exists x \in v(A)$  such that  $y = f(x)$ . As  $x \in v(A)$ ,  $x$  is a upper bound of  $B$ , so that by (3)  $y = f(x)$  is a upper bound of  $f(A)$ . Hence

$$f(v(A)) \subseteq v(f(A)) \tag{3.12}$$

If  $y \in v(f(A))$  then by (1)  $(f^{-1})(y)$  is a upper bound of  $f^{-1}(f(A)) \stackrel{[theorem: 2.55]}{=} A$  so that  $(f^{-1})(y) \in v(A)$ . So  $y \stackrel{[theorem: 2.69]}{=} f((f^{-1})(y)) = y \in f(v(A))$ . Hence  $v(f(A)) \subseteq f(v(A))$  which combined with [eq: 3.12] proves

$$f(v(A)) = v(f(A))$$

6. If  $y \in f(\lambda(A))$  then there  $\exists x \in \lambda(A)$  such that  $y = f(x)$ . As  $x \in \lambda(A)$ ,  $x$  is a lower bound of  $A$ , so that by (4)  $y = f(x)$  is a lower bound of  $f(A)$ . Hence

$$f(\lambda(A)) \subseteq \lambda(f(A)) \quad (3.13)$$

If  $y \in \lambda(f(A))$  then by (2)  $(f^{-1})(y)$  is a lower bound of  $f^{-1}(f(A)) \stackrel{[theorem: 2.55]}{=} A$  so that  $(f^{-1})(y) \in \lambda(A)$ . So  $y \stackrel{[theorem: 2.69]}{=} f((f^{-1})(y)) = y \in f(\lambda(A))$ . Hence  $\lambda(f(A)) \subseteq f(\lambda(A))$  which combined with [eq: 3.12] proves

$$f(\lambda(A)) = \lambda(f(A))$$

7. If  $\max(A)$  exist then  $\max(A) \in A$  giving  $f(\max(A)) \in f(A)$ . Let  $y \in f(A)$  then  $\exists x \in A$  such that  $y = f(x)$ , as  $\max(A)$  exist we have  $x \leq_A \max(A)$  so that  $y = f(x) \leq_B f(\max(A))$ . So

$$\max(f(A)) \text{ exist and } \max(f(A)) = f(\max(A))$$

8. If  $\min(A)$  exist then  $\min(A) \in A$  giving  $f(\min(A)) \in f(A)$ . Let  $y \in f(A)$  then  $\exists x \in A$  such that  $y = f(x)$ , as  $\min(A)$  exist we have  $\min(A) \leq_A x$  so that  $f(\min(A)) \leq_B f(x) = y$ . So

$$\min(f(A)) \text{ exist and } \min(f(A)) = f(\min(A))$$

9. If  $\sup(A)$  exists then  $\min(v(A))$  exists and  $\sup(A) = \min(v(A))$ . Using (8)  $\min(f(v(A)))$  exist, As  $f(v(A)) \stackrel{(5)}{=} v(f(A))$  we have that  $\min(v(f(A)))$  exist and

$$\sup(f(A)) = \min(v(f(A))) \stackrel{(5)}{=} \min(f(v(A))) \stackrel{(8)}{=} f(\min(v(A))) = f(\sup(A))$$

10. If  $\inf(A)$  exists then  $\max(\lambda(A))$  exists and  $\inf(A) = \max(\lambda(A))$ . Using (7)  $\max(f(\lambda(A)))$  exist, As  $f(\lambda(A)) \stackrel{(6)}{=} \lambda(f(A))$  we have that  $\max(\lambda(f(A)))$  exist and

$$\inf(f(A)) = \max(\lambda(f(A))) \stackrel{(6)}{=} \max(f(\lambda(A))) \stackrel{(7)}{=} f(\max(\lambda(A))) = f(\inf(A)) \quad \square$$

**Theorem 3.77.** Let  $\langle X, \leq_X \rangle$  be a conditional complete partial ordered set,  $\langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  a partial ordered class and  $f: \langle X, \leq_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  a order isomorphism then  $\langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  is conditionally complete.

**Proof.** Let  $A \subseteq Y$  be such that  $A$  is bounded above and non empty. Let  $u$  be a upper bound of  $A$  then by [lemma: 3.76] we have that  $(f^{-1})(u)$  is a upper bound of  $f^{-1}(A)$ . As  $A \neq \emptyset$  there exists a  $a \in A$  which as  $f$  is surjective means that  $\exists x$  such that  $a = f(x)$  hence  $x \in f^{-1}(A)$  proving that  $f^{-1}(A) \neq \emptyset$ . As  $\langle X, \leq_X \rangle$  is conditional complete  $\sup(f^{-1}(A))$  exist. Using [lemma: 3.76]  $\sup(f(f^{-1}(A)))$  exist which as  $A \stackrel{[theorem: 2.55]}{=} f(f^{-1}(A))$  proves that  $\sup(A)$  exist. So  $\langle X, \leq_Y \rangle$  is conditional complete.  $\square$

### 3.3.4 Well ordering

**Definition 3.78.** A partial ordered class  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is **well ordered** is every non empty sub-class of  $X$  has a least element. In other words if  $\forall A \in \mathcal{P}(X)$   $\min(A)$  exist.

**Theorem 3.79.** If  $\langle X, \leq_X \rangle$ ,  $\langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  are partial ordered sets,  $f: \langle X, \leq_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  a order isomorphism then if  $\langle X, \leq_X \rangle$  is well ordered  $\langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  is well ordered.

**Proof.** Let  $A \subseteq Y$  be a non empty subclass of  $Y$ . Then  $\exists a \in A$  and as  $f$  is a bijection there exist a  $x \in X$  such that  $y = f(x)$ , from which it follows that  $x \in f^{-1}(A)$ . So

$$f^{-1}(A) \neq \emptyset$$

As  $\langle X, \leq_X \rangle$  is well ordered we have that  $f^{-1}(A)$  has a least element, hence

$$\exists m' \in f^{-1}(A) \text{ such that } \forall a \in f^{-1}(A) \text{ we have } m' \leq_X a$$

Take now  $m = f(m')$  then as  $m' \in f^{-1}(A)$  we have that

$$m \in A \quad (3.14)$$

Further if  $a \in A$  then as  $f$  is surjective there exists a  $b \in X$  such that  $a = f(b)$  or  $b \in f^{-1}(A)$ , so that  $m' \leq_X b$ . As  $f$  is a order isomorphism we have  $m = f(m') \leq_Y f(b) = a$ . Hence we have proved that

$$\forall a \in A \text{ we have } m \leq a \quad (3.15)$$

From [eq: 3.14] and [eq: 3.15] we conclude finally that  $\langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  is well ordered.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.80.** *If  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered class,  $B \subseteq X$  then for  $\langle B, \leq|_B \rangle$  [see theorem: 3.34] we have*

1. *If  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered then  $\langle B, \leq|_B \rangle$  is totally ordered*
2. *If  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered then  $\langle B, \leq|_B \rangle$  is totally ordered*

**Proof.**

1. If  $x, y \in B \Rightarrow x, y \in X$  hence  $x \leq y \vee y \leq x$  so that  $x \leq|_B y \vee y \leq|_B x$ .
2. If  $C \subseteq B$  is a non empty class then as  $B \subseteq X$  we have  $\emptyset \neq C \subseteq X$ . So there exists a least element  $c$  of  $C$ . So  $c \in C$  and  $\forall x \in C$  we have  $c \leq x \xRightarrow{x \in B} c \leq|_B x$  proving that  $c$  is a least element of  $C$  using the order relation  $\leq|_B$ .  $\square$

Well ordering is a stronger condition then conditional completeness and totally ordering

**Theorem 3.81.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is a well ordered class then*

1.  *$\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered*
2.  *$\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete*
3.  *$\forall x, y \in X$  we have  $x \leq y$  or  $y < x$*

**Proof.**

1. If  $x, y \in X$  then  $\{x, y\}$  is a non empty sub-class of  $X$  and must have a least element. If  $x$  is the least element then  $x \leq y$  and if  $y$  is the least element then  $y \leq x$ , so  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered.
2. If  $A$  is a non empty sub-class of  $X$  that is bounded above then  $v(A) \neq \emptyset$ . Using well ordering we have that  $\sup(A) = \min(v(A))$  exist.
3. As by (1)  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered we have that  $x$  and  $y$  are comparable, hence by [theorem: 3.38] we have  $x \leq y \vee y < x$ .  $\square$

One difference between the order relation on the set of whole numbers  $\mathbb{Z}$  and the set of real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$  is that there does not exist a whole number between 1 and 2 while for the real numbers there is the real number 1.5 between 1 and 2. This leads to the following definition.

**Definition 3.82. (Immediate successor)** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered set and  $x, y \in X$  then  $y$  is the **immediate** successor of  $x$  iff*

1.  $x < y$
2.  $\neg(\exists z \in X \text{ such that } x < z \wedge z < y)$  [in words there does not exists a  $x \in X$  such that  $x < z < y$ ]

**Theorem 3.83.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a well ordered class then every element that is not a greatest element of  $X$  has a immediate successor.*



**Proof.** Using [theorem: 3.81] we have that  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered. Let  $x \in X$  such that  $x$  is not a greatest element in  $X$ . Take  $B = \{y \in X \mid x < y\}$  then if  $B = \emptyset$  we have that  $X \setminus B = X$  so  $\forall r \in X$  we have  $r \notin B$  or  $\neg(x < r)$ , by [theorem: 3.81] we have that  $r \leq x$ , proving that  $x$  is a greatest element of  $X$  which contradicts our hypothesis. So we must have that  $B \neq \emptyset$ , by well ordering there exist a least element  $b$  of  $B$ , which as  $b \in B$  gives  $x < b$ . Assume that there exist a  $a \in X$  such that  $x < a \wedge a < b$ , then we must have that  $a \in B$  and  $a < b$ . As  $b$  is the least element of  $B$  and  $a \in B$  we have  $b < a$  leading to the contradiction  $a < a$ . So  $b$  is a immediate successor of  $x$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.84.** Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered class then  $B \subseteq X$  is a **section** of  $X$  if

$$\forall x \in X \text{ we have } \forall y \in B \text{ with } x \leq y \text{ that } x \in B$$

**Lemma 3.85.** Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a well ordered class and  $B \subseteq X$  then

$$B \text{ is a section} \Leftrightarrow B = X \text{ or } B \text{ is a initial segment of } X \text{ [definition: 3.45]}$$

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . Let  $B$  be a section of  $X$  then if  $B = X$  we are done. So we must prove the theorem for  $B \neq X$  or equivalently  $X \setminus B \neq \emptyset$ . Because  $X$  is well ordered, there exists a least element  $l \in X \setminus B$ . Consider the initial segment  $S_{X,l} = \{x \in X \mid x < l\}$  [see definition: 3.45]. Let  $x \in S_{X,l}$  so that  $x < l$ . Assume that  $x \notin B$  then  $x \in X \setminus B$  so, as  $l$  is a least element of  $X \setminus B$ , we have  $l \leq x$  which combined with  $x < l$  leads to the contradiction  $l < l$ . So we must have that  $x \in B$  which proves that

$$S_{X,l} \subseteq B \tag{3.16}$$

Let  $x \in B$ , as  $X$  is well ordered we have by [theorem: 3.81] that  $l \leq x \vee x < l$ . Assume that  $l \leq x$  then, as  $B$  is a section, we have  $l \in B$  contradicting  $l \in X \setminus B$  [as  $l$  is least element of  $X \setminus B$ ]. So we must have  $x < l$  or  $x \in S_{X,l}$  so  $B \subseteq S_{X,l}$ . Combining this result with [eq: 3.16] proves

$$S_{X,l} = B$$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $X = B$  then  $\forall x \in X$  we have  $\forall y \in B = X$  with  $x \leq y$  that trivially  $x \in B$ , so  $B$  is a section. If  $B$  is initial segment then there exist a  $l \in X$  such that  $B = \{y \in X \mid y < l\}$ . Take  $x \in X$  then if  $y \in B$  with  $x \leq y$  we have  $y < l$  so that  $x < l$  hence  $x \in B$ , proving that  $B$  is a section.  $\square$

A application of the above lemma is Transfinite Induction.

**Theorem 3.86. (Transfinite Induction)** Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a well ordered class and let  $P(x)$  a proposition about  $x$  [a statement about  $x$  that can be true or false] such that

$$\forall x \in X \text{ such that, if } P(y) \text{ is true for every } y < x \text{ then } P(x) \text{ is true} \tag{3.17}$$

then

$$\forall x \in X \text{ } P(x) \text{ is true}$$

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction. Assume that  $\exists x \in X$  such that  $P(x)$  is false, then  $B = \{x \in X \mid P(x) \text{ is false}\}$  is non empty. As  $X$  is well ordered there exist a least element  $l \in B$ . Take  $x \in X$  with  $x < l$  then  $x \notin B$  [for if  $x \in B$  then  $l \leq x$ , which combined with  $x < l$  gives the contradiction  $l < l$ ] so that  $P(x)$  is true. By the hypothesis [eq: 3.17] we have that  $P(l)$  is true, which means that  $l \notin B$  contradicting  $l \in B$ . So we must have that  $\forall x \in X$   $P(x)$  is true.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.87.** Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a well ordered class,  $B \subseteq X$  and  $f: \langle X, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \leq \rangle$  a order isomorphism then  $\forall x \in X$  we have  $x \leq f(x)$

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction. Assume that  $\exists x \in X$  such that  $\neg(x \leq f(x))$ . As  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered we have by [theorem: 3.81] that  $f(x) < x$ , hence  $C = \{x \in X \mid f(x) < x\} \neq \emptyset$ . By well ordering there exists a least element  $c$  of  $C$ . As  $c \in C$  we have that  $f(c) < c$ , hence by [theorem: 3.52]  $f(f(c)) < f(c)$  so that  $f(c) \in C$ . As  $c$  is the least element of  $C$  we have  $c \leq f(c)$ , which combined with  $f(c) < c$  gives the contradiction  $c < c$ . So we must have  $\forall x \in X$  that  $x \leq f(x)$ .  $\square$



**Theorem 3.88.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a well ordered class then there does not exist a order isomorphism from  $X$  to a sub-class of an initial segment of  $X$ .*

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction. So assume that there exists a initial segment  $S_{X,a} = \{y \in X \mid y < a\}$  of  $X$ , a  $B \subseteq S_{X,a}$  and a order isomorphism  $f: \langle X, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \leq \rangle$ . Using the previous lemma [lemma: 3.87] we have that  $a \leq f(a)$ , so  $f(a) \notin S_{X,a}$  [for if  $f(a) \in S_{X,a}$  then  $f(a) < a$  leading to the contradiction  $a < a$ ]. However as  $\text{range}(f) = B \subseteq S_{X,a}$  we must have that  $f(a) \in S_{X,a}$  and we reach a contradiction.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.89.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a well ordered class then there does not exist a order isomorphism between  $X$  and initial segment of  $X$*

**Proof.** As a initial segment is a sub-class of itself this follows from the previous theorem [theorem: 3.88]  $\square$

**Theorem 3.90.** *If  $\langle X, \leq_X \rangle, \langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  are well ordered classes then if  $X$  is order isomorphic with an initial segment of  $Y$  we have that  $Y$  is not order isomorphic with any sub-class of  $X$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $S_{Y,y}$  be a initial segment of  $Y$  and  $f: \langle X, \leq_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle S_{Y,y}, \leq_Y \rangle$  a order isomorphism. Assume that there exist a  $A \subseteq X$  and a order isomorphism  $g: \langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle \rightarrow \langle A, \leq_A \rangle$ . As by [lemma: 2.33],[theorem: 2.52] and the fact that 'increasing' is a property of the graph of a function, we have that  $g: \langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle \rightarrow \langle X, \leq_X \rangle$  is a injective increasing function. Using [theorem: 2.73],[theorem: 3.51] we have that  $f \circ g: \langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle \rightarrow \langle S_{Y,y}, \leq_Y \rangle$  is a injective increasing function, hence  $f \circ g: Y \rightarrow (f \circ g)(Y)$  is a bijective function [see theorem: 2.66] which is increasing, hence by [theorem: 3.56] we have that  $f \circ g: \langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle \rightarrow \langle (f \circ g)(Y), \leq_Y \rangle$  is a order isomorphism. As  $(f \circ g)(Y) \subseteq \text{range}(f)$  [see theorem: 2.22] and  $\text{range}(f) \subseteq S_{Y,y}$  we have a order isomorphism between  $Y$  and a sub-class of a initial segment of  $Y$ . By [theorem: 3.88] this is impossible so the assumption is false, hence  $Y$  is not order isomorphic to a an initial segment of  $Y$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.91.** *If  $\langle X, \leq_X \rangle, \langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  are well ordered classes such that  $X$  is order isomorphic with  $Y$  then*

1.  $X$  can not be order isomorphic with a initial segment of  $Y$
2.  $Y$  can not be order isomorphic with a initial segment of  $X$

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction. First by the hypothesis we have  $X \cong Y$  and by [theorem: 3.55]  $Y \cong X$ .

1. If  $X$  is order isomorphic with a initial segment of  $Y$  then as  $Y \cong X$  we have that  $Y$  is order isomorphic with a sub-class of  $X$ , which by [theorem: 3.90] is not allowed.
2. If  $Y$  is order isomorphic with a initial segment of  $X$  then as  $X \cong Y$  we have that  $X$  is order isomorphic with a sub-class of  $Y$ , which by [theorem: 3.90] is not allowed.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.92.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a well ordered class and  $a, b \in X$  with  $a < b$  then  $S_{X,a}$  is a initial segment of  $S_{X,b}$  [using the order  $\leq_{|S_{X,y}|}$ ]*

**Proof.** First if  $x \in S_{X,a}$  then  $x < a \xRightarrow{a < b} x < b$  so that  $x \in S_{X,b}$ , hence

$$S_{X,a} \subseteq S_{X,b}$$

Now if  $x \in S_{X,b}$  and  $y \in S_{X,a}$  is such that  $x \leq_{|S_{X,b}|} y$  then  $x \leq y \xRightarrow{y \in S_{X,a} \Rightarrow y < a} x < a$  hence  $x \in S_{X,a}$ . So  $S_{X,a}$  is a section of  $S_{X,b}$ , as  $a \notin S_{X,a} \wedge a \in S_{X,b}$  [for  $a < b$ ] we have  $S_{X,a} \neq S_{X,b}$  so that, using [theorem: 3.85],  $S_{X,a}$  is a initial segment of  $S_{X,b}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.93.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq_X \rangle$  and  $\langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  be well ordered classes then exactly one of the following cases hold*

1.  $X$  is order isomorphic with  $Y$
2.  $X$  is order isomorphic with an initial segment of  $Y$

3.  $Y$  is order isomorphic with an initial segment of  $X$

**Proof.** Define

$$C = \{x \in X \mid \exists y \in Y \text{ such that } S_{X,x} \cong S_{Y,y}\} \quad (3.18)$$

and

$$F = \{(x, y) \in C \times Y \mid S_{X,x} \cong S_{Y,y}\} \quad (3.19)$$

We prove now that  $F$  is the graph of an order isomorphism between  $C$  and  $F(C)$ . We have trivially from the definition of  $F$  that

$$F \subseteq C \times Y \quad (3.20)$$

Let  $(x, y), (x, y') \in F$ , then  $S_{X,x} \cong S_{Y,y}$  and  $S_{X,x} \cong S_{Y,y'}$  so by [theorem: 3.55]

$$S_{Y,y} \cong S_{Y,y'} \quad (3.21)$$

Assume that  $y \neq y'$  then, as  $\langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  is well ordered we have by [theorem: 3.81] either:

$y \leq y'$ . then  $y < y'$  so that by the previous lemma [lemma: 3.92] we have that  $S_{Y,y}$  is a initial segment of  $S_{Y,y'}$ . Using [corollary: 3.89] we have then that  $S_{Y,y'}$  is not order isomorphic with  $S_{Y,y}$  contradicting [eq: 3.21].

$y' < y$ . then by the previous lemma [lemma: 3.92] we have that  $S_{Y,y'}$  is a initial segment of  $S_{Y,y}$ . Using [corollary: 3.89] we have then that  $S_{Y,y}$  is not order isomorphic with  $S_{Y,y'}$  contradicting [eq: 3.21].

as in all cases we have a contradiction, the assumption must be wrong. Hence

$$\text{If } (x, y), (x, y') \in F \text{ then } y = y' \quad (3.22)$$

Further if  $x \in C$  then by definition of  $C$  there exists a  $y \in Y$  such that  $S_{X,x} \cong S_{Y,y}$  hence  $(x, y) \in F$  proving that

$$C \subseteq \text{dom}(F) \quad (3.23)$$

If  $(x, y), (x', y) \in F$  then  $S_{X,x} \cong S_{Y,y}$  and  $S_{X,x'} \cong S_{Y,y}$  so by [theorem: 3.55] we have that

$$S_{X,x} \cong S_{X,x'} \quad (3.24)$$

Assume that  $x \neq x'$  then, as  $\langle X, \leq_X \rangle$  is well ordered we have by [theorem: 3.81] either:

$x \leq x'$ . then  $x < x'$  so that by the previous lemma [lemma: 3.92] we have that  $S_{X,x}$  is a initial segment of  $S_{X,x'}$ . Using [corollary: 3.89] we have then that  $S_{X,x'}$  is not order isomorphic with  $S_{X,x}$  contradicting [eq: 3.24].

$x' \leq x$ . then by the previous lemma [lemma: 3.92] we have that  $S_{X,x'}$  is a initial segment of  $S_{X,x}$ . Using [corollary: 3.89] we have then that  $S_{X,x}$  is not order isomorphic with  $S_{X,x'}$  contradicting [eq: 3.24].

as in all cases we have a contradiction, the assumption must be wrong. Hence

$$\text{If } (x, y), (x', y) \in F \text{ we have } x = x' \quad (3.25)$$

Combining [eq: 3.20], [eq: 3.22], [eq: 3.23] and [eq: 3.25] it follows that  $F: C \rightarrow Y$  is a injective function. Applying then [proposition: 2.66] gives if we define  $D = F(C)$

$$F: C \rightarrow D \text{ is a bijection} \quad (3.26)$$

Take  $x, y \in C$  such that  $x \leq_X y$  then by definition of  $F$  we have

$$S_{X,x} \cong S_{Y,F(x)} \text{ and } S_{X,y} \cong S_{Y,F(y)} \quad (3.27)$$

Assume now that  $\neg(F(x) \leq_Y F(y))$  then as  $\langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  is well ordered we have by [theorem: 3.81] that  $F(y) <_Y F(x)$ . So using [theorem: 3.92] we have that  $S_{Y,F(y)}$  is a initial segment of  $S_{Y,F(x)}$ . As  $x \leq_X y$  it follows that  $S_{X,x} \subseteq S_{X,y}$  [see proposition: 3.46]. So we have using [eq: 3.27]

a)  $S_{X,y}$  is order isomorphic with  $S_{Y,F(y)}$  a initial segment of  $S_{Y,F(x)}$

b)  $S_{F(x)}$  is order isomorphic with  $S_{X,x}$  a sub-class of  $S_{X,y}$

Using [theorem: 3.90] we see that (a) and (b) can not be all true, hence our assumption is false so that  $F(x) \leq F(y)$ . Hence we have that  $F: C \rightarrow D$  is a increasing bijection which by [theorem: 3.56] proves that

$$F: \langle C, \leq_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle D, \leq_Y \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism or } C \cong D \quad (3.28)$$

Next we prove that

$$C \text{ is a section of } X \quad (3.29)$$

**Proof.** Let  $x \in X$  and take  $c \in C$  such that  $x \leq_X c$ . As  $S_{X,c} \cong S_{Y,F(c)}$  there exist a order isomorphism

$$g: S_{X,c} \rightarrow S_{Y,F(c)} \quad (3.30)$$

Now as  $x \leq_X c$  we have by [proposition: 3.46] that  $S_{X,x} \subseteq S_{X,c}$ . Hence by 2.87 we have that

$$g|_{S_{X,x}}: S_{X,x} \rightarrow S_{X,c} \text{ is a function} \quad (3.31)$$

Further if  $y \in S_{X,x}$  we have that  $y <_X x$ , so as  $g$  is a order isomorphism we have  $g(y) <_Y g(x)$  proving that  $g|_{S_{X,x}}(y) = g(y) \in S_{Y,g(x)}$  or  $\text{range}(g|_{S_{X,x}}) \subseteq S_{Y,g(x)}$ . So by [theorem: 2.37] it follows that

$$g|_{S_{X,x}}: S_{X,x} \rightarrow S_{Y,g(x)} \text{ is a function} \quad (3.32)$$

As  $g$  is a isomorphism and thus injective it follows from [theorem: 2.83] that

$$g|_{S_{X,x}}: S_{X,x} \rightarrow S_{Y,g(x)} \text{ is injective} \quad (3.33)$$

Further if  $y \in S_{Y,g(x)}$  then  $y <_Y g(x)$ , as  $g(x) \in S_{Y,F(c)}$  [see eq: 3.30] we have  $g(x) <_Y F(c)$  so that  $y <_Y F(c)$  proving  $y \in S_{Y,F(c)}$ . As  $g$  is surjective there exist a  $u \in S_{X,c}$  such that  $y = g(u)$ . Assume that  $x \leq_X u$  then  $g(x) \leq_Y g(u) = y$ , as  $y <_Y g(x)$  this gives the contradiction  $g(x) < g(x)$ . So we have  $\neg(x \leq u)$  which, as  $\langle X, \leq_X \rangle$  is well ordered, gives by [theorem: 3.81] that  $u <_X x$  so that  $u \in S_{X,x}$ . So for  $y \in S_{Y,g(x)}$  we found a  $u \in S_{X,x}$  such that  $g|_{S_{X,x}}(u) = g(u) = y$  proving that

$$g|_{S_{X,x}}: S_{X,x} \rightarrow S_{Y,g(x)} \text{ is surjective} \quad (3.34)$$

Further if  $u, v \in S_{X,x}$  are such that  $u \leq_X v$  so that  $g|_{S_{X,x}}(u) = g(u) \leq_X g(v) = g|_{S_{X,x}}(v)$  proving that

$$g|_{S_{X,x}}: S_{X,x} \rightarrow S_{Y,g(x)} \text{ is increasing} \quad (3.35)$$

Combining [eq: 3.31], [eq: 3.32], [eq: 3.34], [eq: 3.35] we have that  $g|_{S_{X,x}}: \langle S_{X,x}, \leq_X \rangle \rightarrow \langle S_{Y,g(x)}, \leq_Y \rangle$  is a order isomorphism so that  $S_{X,x} \cong S_{Y,g(x)}$  hence  $x \in C$ . Proving that  $C$  is as section of  $X$ .  $\square$

Next we prove that

$$D \text{ is a section of } Y \quad (3.36)$$

**Proof.** Let  $y \in Y$  and take  $d \in D$  such that  $y \leq_Y d$ . As  $d \in D = \text{range}(F)$  there exist a  $c \in C$  such that  $F(c) = d$ , so  $S_{X,c} \cong S_{Y,d} \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 3.55}]} S_{Y,d} \cong S_{X,c}$ . So there exist a order isomorphism

$$f: S_{Y,d} \rightarrow S_{X,c} \quad (3.37)$$

Now from  $y \leq_Y d$  we have by [theorem: 3.46]  $S_{Y,y} \subseteq S_{Y,d}$ . Hence by 2.87 we have that

$$f|_{S_{Y,y}}: S_{Y,y} \rightarrow S_{X,c} \text{ is a function} \quad (3.38)$$

If  $x \in S_{Y,y}$  then  $x <_Y y$  so, as  $f$  is a order isomorphism,  $f|_{S_{Y,y}}(x) = f(x) <_X f(y)$ , we have that  $f|_{S_{Y,y}}(x) \in S_{X,f(y)}$ , so  $\text{range}(f|_{S_{Y,y}}) \subseteq S_{X,f(y)}$ . By [theorem: 2.37] it follows that

$$f|_{S_{Y,y}}: S_{Y,y} \rightarrow S_{X,f(y)} \text{ is a function} \quad (3.39)$$

As  $f$  is a isomorphism and injective it follows from [theorem: 2.83] that

$$f|_{S_{Y,y}}: S_{Y,y} \rightarrow S_{X,f(y)} \text{ is injective} \quad (3.40)$$

If  $x \in S_{X,f(y)}$  then  $x <_X f(y)$ , as by [eq: 3.37]  $f(y) \in S_{X,c}$ , we have  $f(y) < c$ , so that  $x <_X c$  or  $x \in S_{X,c}$ . As  $f$  is surjective there exists a  $u \in S_{Y,d}$  such that  $f(u) = x$ . As  $u \in S_{Y,d}$  we have that  $u <_Y d$ . Assume now that  $y \leq_Y u$  then, as  $f$  is a order isomorphism,  $f(y) \leq_X f(u) = x$ , which as  $x <_X f(y)$  gives the contradiction  $x <_X x$ . So we must have that  $\neg(y \leq_Y u)$ , which, as  $\langle Y, \leq_Y \rangle$  is well ordered, gives by [theorem: 3.81] that  $u <_Y y$  or  $u \in S_{Y,y}$ . So for  $x \in S_{X,f(y)}$  there exist a  $u \in S_{Y,y}$  such that  $f(u) = x$ , proving that

$$f|_{S_{Y,y}}: S_{Y,y} \rightarrow S_{X,f(y)} \text{ is surjective} \quad (3.41)$$

Further if  $u, v \in S_{Y,y}$  is such that  $u \leq v$  then  $f|_{S_{Y,y}}(u) = f(u) \leq f(v) = f|_{S_{Y,y}}(v)$  proving that

$$f|_{S_{Y,y}}: S_{Y,y} \rightarrow S_{X,f(y)} \text{ is increasing} \quad (3.42)$$

Combining [eq: 3.39], [eq: 3.40], [eq: 3.41] and [eq: 3.42] we have that

$$f|_{S_{Y,y}}: \langle S_{Y,y}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle S_{X,f(y)}, \leq_X \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism,}$$

hence  $S_{Y,y} \cong S_{X,f(y)}$ . As  $f(y) \in S_{X,c} \subseteq X$  and  $y \in Y$  it follows from the definition of  $C$  that  $f(y) \in C$ , hence by definition of  $F$   $(f(y), y) \in F$  or  $y = F(f(y)) \in F(C) = D$ , giving  $y \in D$ . Proving that  $D$  is a section of  $Y$ .  $\square$

To summarize [eq: 3.28], [eq: 3.29] and [eq: 3.36] we have

$$C \cong D \wedge C \text{ is a segment of } X \wedge D \text{ is a segment of } Y \quad (3.43)$$

Assume now that  $C$  is a initial segment of  $X$  and  $D$  is a initial segment of  $Y$  then there exist a  $r \in X$  and a  $s \in Y$  such that  $C = S_{X,r}$  and  $D = S_{Y,s}$ . By 3.43 we have that  $S_{X,r} \cong S_{Y,s}$  which by definition of  $C$  means that  $r \in C$  or as  $C = S_{X,r}$  that  $r < r$  a contradiction. So we have that

$$\neg(C \text{ is a initial segment of } X \wedge D \text{ is a initial segment of } Y) \quad (3.44)$$

As  $C$  is a section of  $X$  we have by [theorem: 3.85] that

$$X = C \text{ or } C \text{ is a initial segment of } X \quad (3.45)$$

Like wise, as  $D$  is a section of  $Y$  we have by [theorem: 3.85] that

$$Y = D \text{ or } D \text{ is a initial segment of } Y \quad (3.46)$$

We have taking [eq: 3.45] and [eq: 3.46] in account that either:

$$X = C \wedge Y = D. \text{ then by [eq: 3.43]}$$

$$X \cong Y$$

Using theorem [theorem: 3.91] and the above we have that

$X$  is not order isomorphic with a sub-class of  $Y$

$Y$  is not order isomorphic with a sub-class of  $X$

$X = C \wedge Y \neq D$ . then by [eq: 3.46] we have that  $D$  is a initial segment of  $Y$ , which as by [eq: 3.43]  $X = C \cong D$  prove that

$X$  is order isomorphic with a initial segment of  $Y$

If  $Y$  is order isomorphic with a initial segment of  $X$  then by [theorem: 3.90] we have that  $X$  is not order isomorphic to a subset of  $Y$  contradicting  $X \cong D$  and  $X \cong Y$ . So

$Y$  is not order isomorphic to a initial segment of  $X$

$X$  is not order isomorphic to  $Y$

$X \neq C \wedge Y = D$ . then by [eq: 3.45] we have that  $C$  is a initial segment of  $X$ , which as by [eq: 3.43]  $C \cong D \xRightarrow{\text{[theorem: 3.55]}} Y = D \cong C$  proves that

$Y$  is order isomorphic with a initial segment of  $X$

If  $X$  is order isomorphic with a initial segment of  $Y$  then by [theorem: 3.90] we have that  $Y$  is not order isomorphic to a subset of  $X$  contradicting  $Y \cong C$  and  $Y \cong X$ . So

$X$  is not order isomorphic to a initial segment of  $Y$

$X$  is not order isomorphic to  $Y$

$X \neq C \wedge Y \neq D$ . Using [eq: 3.45] and [eq: 3.46] we have that  $C$  is a initial segment of  $X$  and  $D$  is a initial segment of  $Y$  which contradicts [eq: 3.44]. Hence this case does not apply.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.94.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a well ordered class and  $Y \subseteq X$  then we have either (but not both):*

1.  $Y$  is order isomorphic with  $X$
2.  $X$  is order isomorphic with a initial segment of  $X$

**Proof.** If  $Y \subseteq X$  then  $\langle Y, \leq|_Y \rangle$  is a well ordered class [see theorem: 3.80], so using the previous [theorem: 3.93] we have either:

1.  $Y$  is order isomorphic with  $X$
2.  $Y$  is order isomorphic with a initial segment of  $X$
3.  $X$  is order isomorphic with a initial segment of  $Y$ . By [theorem: 3.90] we may not have that  $Y$  is order isomorphic with a sub-class of  $X$ . As by [theorem: 3.55]  $Y \cong Y$  and  $Y$  is a sub-class of  $X$  we reach a contradiction, so this case never applies.  $\square$

## 3.4 Axiom of choice

The axiom of choice in it's many equivalent forms like

Hausdorff's Maximal Principle  
Zorn's Lemma  
Well – Ordering Theorem

plays a major role in some fundamental theorems about the product of sets, the existence of a basis for a vector space, etc.

**Definition 3.95.** *Let  $A$  be a class then  $\mathcal{P}'(A)$  is defined as*

$$\mathcal{P}'(A) = \mathcal{P}(A) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$$

*In other words it is the collection of all non empty sub sets of a set*

It turns out that if  $A$  is a set then  $\mathcal{P}'(A)$  is also a set.

**Theorem 3.96.** *If  $A$  is a set then  $\mathcal{P}'(A)$  is a set*

**Proof.** Using the Axiom of Power [axiom 1.64] we have that  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  is a set. As  $\mathcal{P}'(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$  [see [theorem: 1.25]] it follow from the Axiom of Subsets [axiom: 1.54] that  $\mathcal{P}'(A)$  is a set.  $\square$

**Definition 3.97. (Choice Function)** *Let  $A$  be a set then a **choice function for  $A$**  is a function  $f: \mathcal{P}'(A) \rightarrow A$  such that  $\forall B \in \mathcal{P}'(A)$  we have  $f(B) \in B$*

So a choice function picks out one element out of each subset of  $A$  and the axiom of choice ensures the existence of a choice function for a set.

**Axiom 3.98. (Axiom of Choice)** *If  $A$  is a set then there exist a choice function for  $A$*

As a application of the axiom of choice we have the following theorem

**Theorem 3.99.** *If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a surjective function then there exists a injective function  $g: B \rightarrow A$  such that  $f \circ g = \text{Id}_B$*

**Proof.** By the axiom of choice there exists a choice function

$$c: \mathcal{P}'(A) \rightarrow A \text{ such that } \forall A \in \mathcal{P}'(A) \text{ we have } c(A) \in A$$

If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is surjective. Then  $\forall y \in B$  we have that  $f^{-1}(\{y\})$  is a non empty subset of  $A \Rightarrow f^{-1}(\{y\}) \in \mathcal{P}'(A)$ . Define then the function

$$g: B \rightarrow Y \text{ by } g(y) = c(f^{-1}(\{y\}))$$

Now if  $y \in Y$  then, as  $c$  is a choice function,  $c(f^{-1}(\{y\})) \in f^{-1}(\{y\})$  so that  $f(c(f^{-1}(\{y\}))) = y$ . Hence we have that  $(f \circ g)(y) = f(g(y)) = f(c(f^{-1}(\{y\}))) = y$  or

$$f \circ g = \text{Id}_B$$

If  $g(y) = g(y')$  then we have  $f(g(y)) = f(g(y')) \xrightarrow{f \circ g = \text{Id}_B} \text{Id}_B(y) = \text{Id}_B(y') \Rightarrow y = y'$  proving that

$$g: B \rightarrow Y \text{ is injective} \quad \square$$

The important thing to remember in the above is that the axiom of choice ensures the existence of  $g: B \rightarrow A$  but does not give a way to construct the function  $g$  itself.

We have the following equivalent statements of the axiom of choice

**Theorem 3.100.** *The following are equivalent*

1. *The Axiom of Choice*
2. *Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a set of sets such that:*

- a.  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$  we have  $A \neq \emptyset$
- b.  $\forall A, B \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $A \neq B$  we have  $A \cap B = \emptyset$

*then there exist a set  $C$  called the **choice set for  $\mathcal{A}$**  such that*

- a.  $C \subseteq \bigcup \mathcal{A}$
- b.  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$  we have  $A \cap C \neq \emptyset$  and if  $y, y' \in A \cap C$  then  $y = y'$

*In other words  $C$  consists of exactly one element from each  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ .*

3. *If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  is a family of non empty sets  $[\forall i \in I \text{ we have } A_i \neq \emptyset]$  where  $I, \mathcal{A}$  are sets then there exists a function  $f: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  such that  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $f(i) \in A_i$*

**Proof.**

- 1  $\Rightarrow$  2. Take  $U = \bigcup \mathcal{A}$  [see definition: 1.56]. As  $\mathcal{A}$  is a set we have by the Axiom of Union [axiom: 1.61] that  $U$  is a set. So we can apply the Axiom of Choice [axiom: 3.98] to get a function

$$c: \mathcal{P}'(U) \rightarrow U \text{ such that } \forall A \in \mathcal{P}'(U) \text{ we have } c(A) \in A$$

If  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $A \neq \emptyset$  and using [theorem: 1.60] we have  $A \subseteq U$  proving that  $A \in \mathcal{P}'(U)$  hence

$$\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}'(U)$$

so we can take the **image** of  $\mathcal{A}$  by  $c$

$$C = c(\mathcal{A})$$

We have now:

- a) If  $x \in C$  then  $\exists A \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $x = (c)(A)$ , which as  $c$  is a choice function means that  $x \in A$  hence, by [theorem: 1.60], we have that  $x \in \bigcup \mathcal{A}$  proving that

$$C \subseteq \bigcup \mathcal{A}$$

- b) Let  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $(c)(A) \in c(\mathcal{A}) = C$  and, as  $c$  is a choice function,  $(c)(A) \in A$  [note:  $(c)(A)$  is function application and  $c(\mathcal{A})$  is the image of  $\mathcal{A}$  by  $c$ ]. Hence

$$A \cap C \neq \emptyset$$

If  $y, y' \in A \cap C$  then as  $y, y' \in C = c(\mathcal{A})$  there exist  $Y, Y' \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $y = (c)(Y)$  and  $y' = (c)(Y')$ , as  $c$  is a choice function we have  $y = (c)(Y) \in Y$  and  $y' = (c)(Y') \in Y'$ . Assume that  $Y \neq Y'$  then we have the contradiction  $y, y' \in Y \cap Y' = \emptyset$ , so we have that  $Y = Y'$  but then  $y = c(Y) = c(Y') = y'$  proving that  $y = y'$ . So

$$y, y' \in A \cap C \Rightarrow y = y'$$

so (2.a) and (2.b) is proved.

**2  $\Rightarrow$  1.** Let  $A$  be a set and let  $B \in \mathcal{P}'(A)$  then  $\emptyset \neq B \subseteq A$ . Define now

$$P_B = \{(B, x) | x \in B\} \quad (3.47)$$

If  $(B, x) \in P_B$  then as  $B \in \mathcal{P}'(A)$  and  $x \in B \subseteq A$  we have  $(B, x) \in \mathcal{P}'(A) \times A$  or

$$P_B \subseteq \mathcal{P}'(A) \times A \text{ or } P_B \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}'(A) \times A) \quad (3.48)$$

As  $B \neq \emptyset$  we have that  $\exists b \in B$  so that  $(B, b) \in P_B$  proving that

$$\forall B \in \mathcal{P}'(A) \text{ we have } P_B \neq \emptyset \quad (3.49)$$

If  $x \in P_B \cap P_{B'}$  then  $\exists b \in B$  and  $b' \in B'$  such that  $(B, b) = x = (B', b')$  proving that  $B = B'$ , hence  $P_B = P_{B'}$ . From this it follows that

$$\forall B, B' \in \mathcal{P}'(A) \text{ we have If } P_B \neq P_{B'} \text{ then } P_B \cap P_{B'} = \emptyset \quad (3.50)$$

Define

$$\mathcal{A} = \{P_B | B \in \mathcal{P}'(A)\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}'(A) \times A) \quad (3.51)$$

As  $A$  is a set we have by [theorem: 3.96] that  $\mathcal{P}'(A)$  is a set, using [theorem: 1.67] it follow that  $\mathcal{P}'(A) \times A$  is a set, applying the Axiom of Power sets [axiom: 1.64] proves that  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}'(A) \times A)$  is a set. As by [eq: 3.51] we have that  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}'(A) \times A)$  we can use the Axiom of Sub Sets [axiom: 1.54] giving

$$\mathcal{A} \text{ is a set} \quad (3.52)$$

So the conditions for the hypothesis (2) are satisfied by [eq: 3.52], [eq: 3.49] and [eq: 3.50] hence there exist a choice set  $C$  for  $\mathcal{A}$  such that:

$$C \subseteq \bigcup \mathcal{A} \text{ and } \forall B \in \mathcal{A} \text{ we have } B \cap C \neq \emptyset \text{ and if } y, y' \in B \cap C \text{ then } y = y' \quad (3.53)$$

If  $x \in C$  then  $\exists y \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $x \in y$ . As  $y \in \mathcal{A}$  there exists a  $B \in \mathcal{P}'(A)$  such that  $y = P_B = \{(B, x) | x \in B\}$ , hence there exist a  $b \in B$  such that  $x = (B, b) \in P_B \subseteq \mathcal{P}'(A) \times A$  [see eq: 3.48] proving that

$$C \subseteq \mathcal{P}'(A) \times A \quad (3.54)$$

If  $(B, y), (B, y') \in C$  then  $(B, y), (B, y') \in P_B \cap C \xrightarrow[\text{eq: 3.53}]{\Rightarrow} (B, y) = (B, y')$  proving that  $y = y'$ , so

$$\text{If } (B, y), (B, y') \in C \text{ then } y = y' \quad (3.55)$$

Let  $B \in \mathcal{P}'(A)$  then  $P_B \in \mathcal{A}$  so that by [eq: 3.53]  $P_B \cap C \neq \emptyset$  hence there exist a  $y \in B$  such that  $(B, y) \in C$  proving that

$$\mathcal{P}'(A) \subseteq \text{dom}(C) \quad (3.56)$$

From [eq: 3.54], [eq: 3.55] and [eq: 3.56] it follows that

$$C: \mathcal{P}'(A) \rightarrow A \text{ is a function} \quad (3.57)$$

Let  $B \in \mathcal{P}'(A)$  then  $(B, C(B)) \in C \subseteq \bigcup \mathcal{A}$  so that  $\exists B' \in \mathcal{P}'(A)$  such that  $(B, C(B)) \in P_{B'}$  hence  $B = B'$  and  $C(B) \in B' = B$  proving that  $\forall B \in \mathcal{P}'(A)$  we have  $C(B) \in B$ , so that

$$C: \mathcal{P}'(A) \rightarrow A \text{ is a choice function}$$

proving (1)

**1  $\Rightarrow$  3.** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  be a family of non empty sets where  $I, \mathcal{A}$  are sets. Then using [theorem: 2.108] it follows that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is a set. Using the Axiom of Choice [axiom: 3.98] there exist a choice function

$$c: \mathcal{P}'\left(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i\right) \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ where } \forall A \in \mathcal{P}'\left(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i\right) c(A) \in A$$

Let  $A: I \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be the function that defines  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  then  $\forall i \in I$  we have that  $A(i) = A_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  [see: theorem: 2.115] or  $A(i) \in \mathcal{P}(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$ , further as  $A_i \neq \emptyset$  we have that  $A_i \in \mathcal{P}'(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$ , hence  $\text{range}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}'(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$ . Using [theorem: 2.37] it follows that  $A: I \rightarrow \mathcal{P}'(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$  is also a function. If we take  $f = c \circ A$  then

$$f: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ is a function and } \forall i \in I \text{ we have } f(i) = c(A(i)) = c(A_i) \in A_i$$

proving (3).

**3  $\Rightarrow$  1.** Let  $A$  be a set and define the family  $\{B_C\}_{C \in \mathcal{P}'(A)} \subseteq \mathcal{P}'(A)$  by  $B = \text{Id}_{\mathcal{P}'(A)}: \mathcal{P}'(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}'(A)$  [see example: 2.47]. For every  $C \in \mathcal{P}'(A)$  we have  $B_C = \text{Id}(C) = C \neq \emptyset$ , further as  $A$  is a set we have by [theorem: 3.96] that  $\mathcal{P}'(A)$  is a set. So the conditions for (3) are satisfied and by (3) there exist a function

$$f: \mathcal{P}'(A) \rightarrow \bigcup_{C \in \mathcal{P}'(A)} B_C \text{ such that } \forall C \in \mathcal{P}'(A) \text{ we have } f(C) \in B_C = \text{Id}(C) = C \quad (3.58)$$

Let  $x \in \bigcup_{C \in \mathcal{P}'(A)} B_C$  then  $\exists C \in \mathcal{P}'(A)$  such that  $x \in B_C = \text{Id}_{\mathcal{P}'(A)}(C) = C \subseteq A \Rightarrow x \in A$ . So  $\bigcup_{C \in \mathcal{P}'(A)} B_C \subseteq A$ . Using then [theorem: 2.33] we have

$$f: \mathcal{P}'(A) \rightarrow A \text{ is a function with } \forall C \in \mathcal{P}'(A) \text{ we have } f(C) \in C$$

which proves that  $f: \mathcal{P}'(A) \rightarrow A$  is a choice function for  $A$ , proving (1).  $\square$

As a application of the Axiom of Choice we have the following theorems about the product of a family of sets. First we prove that the projection function is surjective.

**Theorem 3.101.** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  be a family of **non empty sets** where  $I, \mathcal{A}$  are sets then  $\forall i \in I$  we have that the projection function

$$\pi_i: \prod_{j \in I} A_j \rightarrow A_i \text{ defined by } \pi_j(x) = x(j) \text{ [see definition: 2.134]}$$

is a surjection.

**Proof.** Let  $i \in I$  and take  $x \in A_i$ . Consider the family  $\{A_j\}_{j \in I \setminus \{i\}}$  [see definition: 2.97] then  $\forall j \in I \setminus \{i\}$  we have  $A_j \neq \emptyset$ . So we can use [theorem: 3.100 (3)] to find a function

$$f: I \setminus \{i\} \rightarrow \bigcup_{j \in I \setminus \{i\}} A_j \text{ such that } \forall j \in I \setminus \{i\} \text{ we have } f(j) \in A_j$$

By the definition of the product of a family of sets we have that

$$f \in \prod_{j \in I \setminus \{i\}} A_j$$

Define now  $g: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{j \in I} A_j$  by  $g(j) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } j = i \\ f(j) & \text{if } j \in I \setminus \{i\} \end{cases}$  then by [theorem: 2.133] we have that  $g \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$ . Finally by  $\pi_i(g) = g(i) = x$  proving surjectivity.  $\square$

Second we prove that the product of a family of sets is not empty if and only if every set in the family is non empty.

**Theorem 3.102.** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  be a family of sets where  $I, \mathcal{A}$  are sets then we have

$$\prod_{i \in I} A_i \neq \emptyset \Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I \text{ we have } A_i \neq \emptyset$$



**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . We prove this by contradiction, so assume that  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $A_i = \emptyset$ . As  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i \neq \emptyset$  there exists a  $x \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  such that  $\forall j \in I$   $x_j \in A_j$ , in particular we would have  $x_i \in A_i$  contradicting  $A_i = \emptyset$ . So we must have that  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $A_i \neq \emptyset$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $A_i \neq \emptyset$  we have by [theorem: 3.100 (3)] that there exist a function

$$f: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ such that } \forall i \in I \text{ we have } f(i) \in A_i$$

which by definition of the product means that  $f \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  proving that

$$\prod_{i \in I} A_i \neq \emptyset \quad \square$$

We can rephrase the above theorem in another way.

**Corollary 3.103.** *Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  be a family of sets where  $I, \mathcal{A}$  are sets then we have*

$$\prod_{i \in I} A_i = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow \exists i \in I \text{ such that } A_i = \emptyset$$

**Proof.** We proceed by contradiction to prove this

$\Rightarrow$ . Assume that  $\forall i \in I$  we have that  $A_i \neq \emptyset$  then by [theorem: 3.102]  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i \neq \emptyset$  contradicting  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i = \emptyset$ . So the assumption is false or  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $A_i = \emptyset$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . Assume that  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i \neq \emptyset$  then by [theorem: 3.102] we have  $\forall i \in I$  that  $A_i \neq \emptyset$  contradicting  $\exists i \in I$  such that  $A_i = \emptyset$ . Hence we must have  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i = \emptyset$ .  $\square$

The Axiom of Choice has also import consequences for partial ordered sets.

**Theorem 3.104.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered **set** such that:*

1.  *$X$  has a least element  $p$*
2. *Every chain [see definition: 3.40] of  $X$  has a supremum*

*then there is a element  $x \in X$  which has no immediate successor [see definition: 3.82]*

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction, so assume that  $\forall x \in X$  there exist a immediate successor. Given  $x \in X$  define  $T_x = \{y \mid y \text{ is a immediate successor of } x\}$  then  $T_x \neq \emptyset$  so that  $T_x \in \mathcal{P}'(X)$ . Using the Axiom of Choice [axiom: 3.98] there exist a choice function

$$c: \mathcal{P}'(A) \rightarrow A \text{ such that } \forall A \in \mathcal{P}'(X) \text{ we have } c(A) \in A \quad (3.59)$$

As  $\forall x \in X$  we have  $T_x \in \mathcal{P}'(X)$  so that  $c(T_x)$  is well defined we can use [proposition: 2.91] to define the function

$$\text{succ}: X \rightarrow X \text{ by } \text{succ}(x) = c(T_x).$$

If  $x \in X$  then  $\text{succ}(x) = c(T_x) \in T_x$  so that  $\text{succ}(x)$  is a immediate successor of  $x$ , to summarize

$$\text{succ}: X \rightarrow X \text{ is a function such that } \forall x \in X \text{ } \text{succ}(x) \text{ is a immediate successor of } x \quad (3.60)$$

Before we can reach the contradiction we need to have some definitions and sub lemmas.

**Definition 3.105.**  *$A \subseteq X$  is a **p-sequence** iff*

1.  *$p \in A$*
2. *If  $x \in A$  then  $\text{succ}(x) \in A$*
3. *If  $C \subseteq A$  is a chain then  $\sup(C) \in A$  [note that by hypothesis (2)  $\sup(C)$  exist]*

**Note 3.106.**  *$X$  is a p-sequence so there exist p-sequences.*

**Proof.** First  $p \in X$  by the hypothesis (1), second if  $x \in X$  then by [eq: 3.60]  $\text{succ}(X) \in X$  and finally if  $C$  is chain then by definition of the supremum  $\sup(C) \in X$   $\square$

**Lemma 3.107.** *Every intersection of a set of p-sequences is a p-sequence*

**Proof.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a set of p-sequences then

1.  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$   $A$  is a p-sequence hence  $p \in A$  so that  $p \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}$
2. If  $x \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}$  then  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$  we have  $p \in A$  which as  $A$  is a p-sequence gives that  $\text{succ}(x) \in A$  hence  $\text{succ}(x) \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}$
3. If  $C \subseteq \bigcap \mathcal{A}$  is a chain then  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$  we have  $C \subseteq A$  and as  $A$  is a p-sequence we have that  $\sup(C) \in A$  so that  $\sup(C) \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}$

so by definition of a p-sequence we have that

$$\bigcap \mathcal{A} \text{ is a p-sequence} \quad \square$$

From the above lemma [lemma: 3.107] we have that  $\bigcap \{A \in \mathcal{P}(X) | A \text{ is a p-sequence}\}$  is a p-sequence and by definition  $p \in \bigcap \{A \in \mathcal{P}(X) | A \text{ is a p-sequence}\}$ . Further if  $A$  is a p-sequence then  $\bigcap \{A \in \mathcal{P}(X) | A \text{ is a p-sequence}\} \subseteq A$ . Summarized

$$P = \bigcap \{B \in \mathcal{P}(X) | B \text{ is a p-sequence}\} \text{ is a p-sequence} \wedge p \in P \wedge \text{If } A \text{ is a p-sequence} \Rightarrow P \subseteq A \quad (3.61)$$

**Definition 3.108.** *A element  $x \in P$  is **select** if  $x$  is comparable with every element in  $P$ .*

**Lemma 3.109.** *If  $x \in P$  is select then  $\forall y \in P$  with  $y < x$  have  $\text{succ}(y) \leq x$*

**Proof.** If  $y \in P$  with  $y < x$  then as  $P$  is a p-sequence we have by [definition: 3.105 (2)] that  $\text{succ}(y) \in P$ . Now as  $x$  is select we have that  $x, \text{succ}(y)$  are comparable, hence by [theorem: 3.38] we have either  $\text{succ}(y) \leq x$  or  $x < \text{succ}(y)$ . If  $x < \text{succ}(y)$  then from  $y < x$  it follows that  $y < x \wedge x < \text{succ}(y)$  contradicting the fact that by [eq: 3.60]  $\text{succ}(y)$  is the immediate successor of  $y$ . Hence we must have that

$$\text{succ}(y) \leq x \quad \square$$

**Lemma 3.110.** *If  $x$  is select then  $A_x = \{y \in P | y \leq x \vee \text{succ}(x) \leq y\}$  is a p-sequence*

**Proof.**

1. As  $p$  is a least element of  $X$  we have that  $p \leq x$  so that  $p \in A_x$
2. Let  $y \in A_x$  Then we have either:
  - $y = x$ .** Then  $\text{succ}(x) = \text{succ}(y) \Rightarrow \text{succ}(x) \leq \text{succ}(y)$  so that  $\text{succ}(y) \in A_x$ .
  - $y < x$ .** Then as  $y \in A_x \subseteq P$  we have by the previous lemma [lemma: 3.109] that  $\text{succ}(y) < x \Rightarrow \text{succ}(y) \leq x$  so that  $\text{succ}(y) \in A_x$ .
  - $\text{succ}(x) \leq y$ .** As  $\text{succ}(y)$  is the immediate successor of  $y$  we have  $y < \text{succ}(y)$  so that  $\text{succ}(x) < \text{succ}(y) \Rightarrow \text{succ}(x) \leq \text{succ}(y)$  proving that  $\text{succ}(y) \in A_x$ .

so in all cases we have

$$\text{succ}(y) \in A_x$$

3. If  $C \subseteq A_x$  is a chain then we have the following excluding cases:

**$\exists y \in C$  with  $\text{succ}(x) \leq y$ .** Then as  $y \leq \sup(C)$  we have that  $\text{succ}(x) \leq \sup(C)$  so that  $\sup(C) \in A_x$ .

**$\forall y \in C$  we have  $\neg(\text{succ}(x) \leq y)$ .** Now  $\forall y \in C$  as  $y \in C \subseteq A_x$  we have either  $y \leq x$  or  $\text{succ}(y) \leq y$ . As  $\neg(\text{succ}(x) \leq y)$  is true we must have  $y \leq x$  and thus  $x$  is an upper bound of  $C$ . So by definition of the supremum as the least upper bound of  $C$  we must have that  $\sup(C) \leq x$ , hence  $\sup(C) \in A_x$

So in all cases we have

$$\sup(C) \in A_x$$

From (1),(2) and (3) it follows then that

$$A_x \text{ is a p-sequence}$$

□

**Corollary 3.111.** *If  $x$  is select then  $\forall y \in P$  we have  $y \leq x$  or  $\text{succ}(x) \leq y$*

**Proof.** As  $A_x$  is a p-sequence by the previous lemma [lemma: 3.110] we have by [eq: 3.61] that  $P \subseteq A_x$  and as by definition of  $A_x$   $A_x \subseteq P$  it follows that

$$P = A_x$$

□

**Lemma 3.112.** *The set  $\{x \in X | x \text{ is select}\}$  is a p-sequence.*

**Proof.**

1. As  $p$  is a least element of  $X$  we have  $\forall x \in P$  that  $p \leq x$  so it is comparable with every element of  $p$ , hence  $p$  is select, so  $p \in \{x \in X | x \text{ is select}\}$ .

2. If  $x \in \{x \in X | x \text{ is select}\}$  then  $x$  is select and by [corollary: 3.111] we have  $\forall y \in P$  either:

**$y \leq x$ .** Then as  $\text{succ}(x)$  is the immediate successor of  $x$  we have  $x < \text{succ}(x)$  so that  $y < \text{succ}(x) \Rightarrow y \leq \text{succ}(x)$  proving that  $\text{succ}(x)$  is comparable with  $y$

**$\text{succ}(x) \leq y$ .** Then  $\text{succ}(x)$  is comparable with  $y$

from the above it follows that  $\text{succ}(x)$  is comparable with every  $y \in P$  hence

$$\text{succ}(x) \in \{x \in X | x \text{ is selected}\}$$

3. Let  $C \subseteq \{x \in X | x \text{ is select}\}$  be a chain. Then as  $C \subseteq X$  we have the hypothesis (3) that  $\sup(C)$  exist. Then  $\forall y \in P$  we have the following possibilities for  $C$ :

**$\exists x \in C$  with  $y \leq x$ .** Then  $x \leq \sup(C)$  so that  $y \leq \sup(C)$  so that  $\sup(C)$  is comparable with  $y$

**$\forall x \in C$  we have  $\neg(y \leq x)$ .** Then given  $x \in C$  we have as  $C \subseteq \{x \in X | x \text{ is select}\}$  that  $x$  is select. By [corollary: 3.111] we have either  $y \leq x$  which is not allowed or  $\text{succ}(x) \leq y$ . As  $\text{succ}(x)$  is a immediate successor of  $x$  we have  $x < \text{succ}(x)$  so that  $x < y$  proving that  $y$  is a upper bound of  $C$ . Hence  $\sup(C) \leq y$  proving that  $\sup(C)$  is comparable with  $y$

So in all cases we have that  $\sup(C)$  is comparable with  $y$  proving that  $\sup(C)$  is select and thus that  $\sup(C) \in \{x \in X | x \text{ is select}\}$

From (1),(2),(3) it follows then that  $\{x \in X | x \text{ is select}\}$  is a p-sequence. □

Now for the last corollary in the proof.

**Corollary 3.113.**  *$P$  is a chain*

**Proof.** As by the previous lemma [lemma: 3.112]  $\{x \in X | x \text{ is select}\}$  is a p-sequence it follows from [eq: 3.61] that  $P \subseteq \{x \in X | x \text{ is select}\}$ . So if  $x, y \in P$  then  $x$  is select and as  $y \in P$  comparable with  $y$ , proving that  $P$  is a chain. □

We are now finally able to reach a contradiction and prove the theorem. As  $P$  is a chain we have by hypothesis (2) that  $\sup(P)$  exist. Now as  $P$  is a p-sequence [see eq: 3.61] we have by [definition: 3.105 (3)] that  $\sup(P) \in P$  and by [definition: 3.105 (2)] that  $\text{succ}(\sup(P)) \in P$  so that  $\text{succ}(\sup(P)) \leq \sup(P)$ . As  $\text{succ}(\sup(P))$  is the immediate successor of  $\sup(P)$  we have that  $\sup(P) < \text{succ}(\sup(P))$ . Hence  $\sup(P) < \sup(P)$  which is a contradiction. □

This was a long proof but it will be used in the following important theorem.

**Definition 3.114.** A partial ordered set  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is **Hausdorff maximal** if there exist a chain  $C$  such that if  $D$  is a chain with  $C \subseteq D$  then  $C = D$ . In other words  $C$  is maximal when using the order relation defined by  $\subseteq$ .

We show now that as a consequence of the Axiom of choice every partial ordered set is Hausdorff maximal.

**Theorem 3.115. (Hausdorff's Maximal Theorem)** Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered set then it is Hausdorff maximal. In other words there exists a chain  $C$  such that if  $D$  is a chain such that  $C \subseteq D$  then  $C = D$ .

**Proof.** Define the set of all chain of  $X$

$$\mathcal{C} = \{A \in \mathcal{P}(X) | A \text{ is a chain in } \langle X, \leq \rangle\}$$

Using the fact  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  is a set by the Axiom of Power Sets [axiom: 1.64] we have by the Axiom of Subsets [axiom: 1.54] and the fact that  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$  it follows that

$$\mathcal{C} \text{ is a set} \quad (3.62)$$

Using [example: 3.32] we have that

$$\langle \mathcal{C}, \preceq \rangle \text{ where } \preceq = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} | x \subseteq y\} \text{ is a partial ordered set}$$

As  $\forall A \in \mathcal{C}$  we have  $\emptyset \subseteq A \Rightarrow \emptyset \preceq A$  and  $\emptyset$  is a chain [see example: 3.41] in  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  it follows that

$$\mathcal{C} \text{ has a least element [using } \preceq \text{]} \quad (3.63)$$

Let  $\mathcal{D}$  a chain in  $\langle \mathcal{C}, \preceq \rangle$  then if  $x, y \in \bigcup \mathcal{D}$  there exists  $A, B \in \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$  such that  $x \in A \wedge y \in B$  where  $A, B$  are chains in  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$ . As  $\mathcal{D}$  is a chain we have either:

**$A \subseteq B$ .** Then  $x, y \in B$  which as  $B$  is a chain [using  $\leq$ ] means that  $x, y$  are comparable [using the order  $\leq$ ]

**$B \subseteq A$ .** Then  $x, y \in A$  which as  $A$  is a chain [using  $\leq$ ] means that  $x, y$  are comparable [using the order  $\leq$ ]

From the above it follows that  $\bigcup \mathcal{D}$  is a chain in  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  hence  $\bigcup \mathcal{D} \in \mathcal{C}$ . Hence by [example: 3.67] it follows that  $\bigcup \mathcal{D} = \sup(\mathcal{D})$  [using  $\preceq$ ]. So we have proved that

$$\text{Every chain of } \langle \mathcal{C}, \preceq \rangle \text{ has a supremum} \quad (3.64)$$

Now the conditions for [theorem: 3.104] are satisfied by [eq: 3.62], [eq: 3.63] and [eq: 3.64] so we have

$$\exists C \in \mathcal{C} \text{ [so } C \text{ is a chain in } \langle X, \leq \rangle \text{] which has no immediate successor [using } \preceq \text{]} \quad (3.65)$$

Let now  $D$  be a chain in  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  [so that  $D \in \mathcal{C}$ ] such that  $C \subseteq D$ . Take  $d \in D$  and assume that  $d \notin C$  then  $C \subset C \cup \{d\}$  [as  $C \cup \{d\} \not\subseteq C \Rightarrow C \neq C \cup \{d\}$ ] so that  $C \prec C \cup \{d\}$ . As  $C$  has no immediate successor [using  $\prec$ ] there must be a  $H \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $C \prec H \wedge H \prec C \cup \{d\}$  or  $C \subset H \wedge H \subset C \cup \{d\}$ . As  $C \subset H$  there exists a  $h \in H$  such that  $h \notin C$ , but then as  $H \subset C \cup \{d\}$  we must have  $h \in \{d\}$  or  $h = d$ , so  $d \in H$ . Now as  $H \subset C \cup \{d\}$  there exists a  $y \in C \cup \{d\}$  such that  $y \notin H$ , we can not have  $y = d$  [as  $d \in H$ ] so we must have  $y \in C$  but then as  $C \subset H$  we have  $y \in H$  contradicting  $y \notin H$ . So we must have  $d \in C$ . As  $d \in D$  was chosen arbitrary we have that  $D \subseteq C$  or  $C = D$  which proves maximality.  $\square$

We state now Zorn's lemma but not prove it yet, it will be show to be directly dependent on the Hausdorff maximal principle, which in turn depends on the Axiom of Choice. So if we accept the Axiom of Choice [which we do as it is expressed as a Axiom] then Zorn's lemma applies.

**Lemma 3.116. (Zorn's Lemma)** Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered set such that every chain has a upper bound then  $X$  has a maximal element.

We prove now that the Hausdorff Maximal principle implies Zorn's lemma.

**Theorem 3.117.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be Hausdorff Maximal then Zorn's lemma follows.*

**Proof.** Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a partial ordered set such that every chain in  $X$  has a upper bound. As  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is Hausdorff maximal [definition: 3.114] there exist a chain  $C$  such that for every chain  $D$  with  $C \subseteq D$  we have  $C = D$ . As  $C$  is a chain it has by the hypothesis a upper bound  $u$  for  $C$ . Assume now that  $u$  is not a maximal element of  $X$ , then by the definition of a maximal element [definition: 3.57] there exist a  $x \in X$  with  $u \leq x$  and  $u \neq x$  so that  $u < x$ . If  $x \in C$  then as  $u$  is a upper bound of  $C$  we have  $x \leq u$  so that  $u < u$  a contradiction. So we must have that  $x \notin C$ . Consider now  $r, s \in C \cup \{x\}$  then we have to consider the following possibilities:

$r = x \wedge s = x$ . Then by reflectivity we have  $r \leq s$ , so  $r, s$  are comparable.

$r = x \wedge s \neq x$ . Then  $s \in C$  so that  $s \leq u$ , which as  $u \leq x$  proves that  $s \leq x \xRightarrow{r=x} s \leq r$ , so  $r, s$  are comparable.

$r \neq x \wedge s = x$ . Then  $r \in C$  so that  $r \leq u$ , which as  $u \leq x$  proves that  $r \leq x \xRightarrow{s=x} r \leq s$ , so  $r, s$  are comparable.

$r \neq x \wedge s \neq x$ . Then  $r, s \in C$ , which as  $C$  is a chain proves that  $r, s$  are comparable

From the above it follows that  $C \cup \{x\}$  is a chain such that  $C \subseteq C \cup \{x\}$  giving by maximality of  $C$  that  $C = C \cup \{x\}$  contradicting  $x \notin C$ . Hence the assumption that  $u$  is not a maximal element of  $X$  is false. So  $u$  is a maximal element of  $X$ .  $\square$

We show now that Zorn's lemma implies well ordering.

**Theorem 3.118.** *Zorn's lemma implies that given a set  $X$  there exist a order relation  $\leq$  on  $X$  such that  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered [see 3.78]*

**Proof.** Just like the proof of [theorem: 3.104] this proof will consist of many sub lemma's.

Let  $X$  be a set and define the class

$$\mathcal{A} = \{(B, R) \mid B \in \mathcal{P}(X) \wedge R \text{ a order relation on } B \text{ so that } \langle B, R \rangle \text{ is well ordered}\}$$

Define now  $\preceq \in \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A}$  by

$$\preceq = \{((B, R), (B', R')) \mid B \subseteq B' \wedge R \subseteq R' \wedge \text{If } x \in B \wedge y \in B' \setminus B \text{ then } (x, y) \in R'\}$$

then we have that

$$\langle \mathcal{A}, \preceq \rangle \text{ is a order relation} \quad (3.66)$$

**Proof.** We have to prove reflexivity, anti-symmetry and transitivity:

**reflexivity.** If  $(B, R) \in \mathcal{A}$  then we have

$$1. B \subseteq B$$

$$2. R \subseteq R$$

$$3. \text{ If } x \in B \wedge y \in B \setminus B \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 1.32}]} \emptyset \text{ which can not occur so that } (x, y) \in R \text{ is satisfied vacuously}$$

proving that  $(B, R) \preceq (B, R)$

**anti-symmetry.** If  $(B, R) \preceq (B', R') \wedge (B', R') \preceq (B, R)$  then  $B \subseteq B' \wedge R \subseteq R' \wedge B' \subseteq B \wedge R' \subseteq R$  proving that  $B = B'$  and  $R = R'$  so that  $(B, R) = (B', R')$

**transitivity.** Let  $(B, R) \preceq (B', R')$  and  $(B', R') \preceq (B'', R'')$  then we have

$$1. B \subseteq B' \wedge B' \subseteq B'' \Rightarrow B \subseteq B''$$

$$2. R \subseteq R' \wedge R' \subseteq R'' \Rightarrow R \subseteq R''$$

$$3. \text{ If } x \in B \wedge y \in B'' \setminus B \text{ we have for } y \text{ to consider the following possibilities}$$

$$y \in B'. \text{ Then } y \in B' \setminus B \text{ so that } (x, y) \in R' \xRightarrow{R' \subseteq R''} (x, y) \in R''$$

$y \notin B'$ . Then  $y \in B'' \setminus B'$  so that  $(x, y) \in R''$

so in all cases we have  $(x, y) \in R''$ .

proving  $(B, R) \preceq (B'', R'')$ . □

We now have the following sub lemma:

**Lemma 3.119.** *If  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  is a chain in  $\langle \mathcal{A}, \preceq \rangle$  then if*

$$B_{\mathcal{C}} = \bigcup \{B \mid \exists R \text{ such that } (B, R) \in \mathcal{C}\}$$

$$R_{\mathcal{C}} = \bigcup \{R \mid \exists B \text{ such that } (B, R) \in \mathcal{C}\}$$

then

$$(B_{\mathcal{C}}, R_{\mathcal{C}}) \in \mathcal{A}$$

**Proof.** First note that if  $(B, R) \in \mathcal{C}$  then

$$B \in \{B \mid \exists R \text{ such that } (B, R) \in \mathcal{C}\}$$

and

$$R \in \{R \mid \exists B \text{ such that } (B, R) \in \mathcal{C}\}$$

or

$$\forall (B, R) \in \mathcal{C} \text{ we have } B \subseteq B_{\mathcal{C}} \wedge R \subseteq R_{\mathcal{C}} \quad (3.67)$$

1. If  $x \in B_{\mathcal{C}}$  then  $\exists (B, R) \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $x \in B$ , as  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  we have  $(B, R) \in \mathcal{C}$ , so that  $B \in \mathcal{P}(A)$ , hence  $B \subseteq A$ , proving that  $x \in A$ . In other words  $B_{\mathcal{C}} \subseteq A$  or  $B \in \mathcal{P}(A)$ .

2. We must prove that  $R_{\mathcal{C}}$  is a a order relation on  $B_{\mathcal{C}}$ :

**reflectivity.** If  $x \in B_{\mathcal{C}}$  then  $\exists (B, R) \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $x \in B$ , as  $R$  is a order relation we have that  $(x, x) \in R$  so that by [eq: 3.67]  $(x, x) \in R_{\mathcal{C}}$

**anti-symmetry.** If  $(x, y) \in R_{\mathcal{C}} \wedge (y, x) \in R_{\mathcal{C}}$  then  $\exists (B, R), (B', R') \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $(x, y) \in R$  and  $(y, x) \in R'$ . As  $\mathcal{C}$  is a chain we have either:

$(B, R) \preceq (B', R')$ . Then  $R \subseteq R'$  so that  $(x, y) \in R' \wedge (y, x) \in R'$ , which as  $R'$  is a order relation proves that  $x = y$ .

$(B', R') \preceq (B, R)$ . Then  $R' \subseteq R$  so that  $(x, y) \in R \wedge (y, x) \in R$ , which as  $R$  is a order relation proves that  $x = y$ .

**transitivity.** If  $(x, y) \in R_{\mathcal{C}} \wedge (y, z) \in R_{\mathcal{C}}$  then  $\exists (B, R), (B', R') \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $(x, y) \in R$  and  $(y, z) \in R'$ . As  $\mathcal{C}$  is a chain we have either:

$(B, R) \preceq (B', R')$ . Then  $R \subseteq R'$  so that  $(x, y) \in R' \wedge (y, z) \in R'$ , which as  $R'$  is a order relation proves that  $(x, z) \in R'$ , hence  $(x, z) \in R_{\mathcal{C}}$  [see eq: 3.67].

$(B', R') \preceq (B, R)$ . Then  $R' \subseteq R$  so that  $(x, y) \in R \wedge (y, z) \in R$ , which as  $R$  is a order relation proves that  $(x, z) \in R$ , hence  $(x, z) \in R_{\mathcal{C}}$  [see eq: 3.67].

3. Next we have to prove well ordering of  $\langle B_{\mathcal{C}}, R_{\mathcal{C}} \rangle$ . Let  $D \subseteq B_{\mathcal{C}}$  and  $D \neq \emptyset$ . Then there exist a  $x \in D$  so that  $x \in B_{\mathcal{C}}$ , hence there exist a  $(B, R) \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $x \in B$  or  $x \in D \cap B$  proving that  $D \cap B \neq \emptyset$ . As  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  we have by the definition of  $\mathcal{A}$  that  $\langle B, R \rangle$  is well ordered, hence there exist a least element  $b \in B$ . So

$$\forall y \in B \text{ we have } (b, y) \in R \quad (3.68)$$

We prove now that

$b$  is a least element of  $D$

**Proof.** If  $x \in D$  then  $\exists (B', R')$  such that  $x \in B'$ . For  $x$  and  $B$  we the following possible cases:

$x \in B$ . Then by [eq: 3.68] we have that  $(b, x) \in R$  so that by [eq: 3.67]  $(b, x) \in R_{\mathcal{C}}$ .

$x \notin B$ . Then  $x \in B' \setminus B \wedge b \in B$ . As  $\mathcal{C}$  is a chain we have the following cases:

$(B, R) \preceq (B', R')$ . Then by definition of  $\preceq$  we have  $(b, x) \in R'$  so that by [eq: 3.67]  $(b, x) \in R_{\mathcal{C}}$

$(B', R') \preceq (B, R)$ . Then  $B' \subseteq B$  and as  $x \in B'$  we have  $x \in B$  contradicting  $x \notin B$ . So this case never occurs.

So in all cases that apply we have  $(b, x) \in R_{\mathcal{C}}$  proving that  $b$  is a least element of  $D$ .  $\square$

As we have proved that every non empty  $D \subseteq B_{\mathcal{C}}$  has a least element [using the order  $R_{\mathcal{C}}$  it follows that  $\langle B_{\mathcal{C}}, R_{\mathcal{C}} \rangle$  is well ordered.

From (1),(2) and (3) it follows that

$$(B_{\mathcal{C}}, R_{\mathcal{C}}) \in \mathcal{A} \quad \square$$

**Lemma 3.120.** *If  $\mathcal{C}$  is a chain in  $\langle \mathcal{A}, \preceq \rangle$  then  $(B_{\mathcal{C}}, R_{\mathcal{C}})$  is a upper bound of  $\mathcal{C}$*

**Proof.** Let  $(B, R) \in \mathcal{C}$  then

1.  $B \subseteq B_{\mathcal{C}}$  [see eq: 3.67]
2.  $R \subseteq R_{\mathcal{C}}$  [see eq: 3.67]
3. Let  $x \in B$  and  $y \in B_{\mathcal{C}} \setminus B$  then  $\exists (B', R') \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $y \in B'$  or as  $y \in B_{\mathcal{C}} \setminus B$  that

$$y \in B' \setminus B$$

As  $\mathcal{C}$  is a chain we have either  $(B, R) \preceq (B', R')$  or  $(B', R') \preceq (B, R)$ . If  $(B', R') \preceq (B, R)$  then  $B' \subseteq B$ , as  $y \in B'$  we would have  $y \in B$  contradiction  $y \in B_{\mathcal{C}} \setminus B$ . So we have

$$(B, R) \preceq (B', R')$$

As  $x \in B$  and  $y \in B' \setminus B$  we have by definition of  $\preceq$  and the above that  $(x, y) \in R'$  which as  $R' \subseteq R_{\mathcal{C}}$  [see eq: 3.67] proves that  $(x, y) \in R_{\mathcal{C}}$

So by the definition of  $\preceq$  we have by (1),(2) and (3) that

$$(B, R) \preceq (B_{\mathcal{C}}, R_{\mathcal{C}}) \quad \square$$

Using Zorn's [lemma: 3.116] together with the above lemma [lemma: 3.120] we have

$$\exists (B_m, R_m) \in \mathcal{A} \text{ such that } (B_m, R_m) \text{ is a maximum element of } \mathcal{A} \quad (3.69)$$

We prove now by contradiction that

$$B_m = X$$

**Proof.** Assume that  $X \neq B_m$ . Then as  $B_m \in \mathcal{P}(X) \Rightarrow B_m \subseteq X$  there exist a

$$x \in X \setminus B_m \Rightarrow x \notin B_m.$$

Define

$$R^* = R_m \cup \{(b, x) | b \in B_m\} \cup \{(x, x)\} \quad (3.70)$$

Then if  $(r, s) \in R_m \cap \{(b, x) | b \in B_m\}$  we have as  $R_m \subseteq B_m \times B_m$  that  $s \in B_m \wedge s = x \notin B_m$  a contradiction, if  $(r, s) \in R_m \cap \{(x, x)\}$  then  $r \in B_m \wedge r = x \notin B_m$  a contradiction and finally if  $(r, s) \in \{(b, x) | b \in B_m\} \cap \{(x, x)\}$  then  $r \in B_m \wedge r = x \notin B_m$  a contradiction. So we have

$$R_m \cap \{(b, x) | b \in B_m\} = \emptyset \wedge R_m \cap \{(x, x)\} = \emptyset \wedge \{(b, x) | b \in B_m\} \cap \{(x, x)\} = \emptyset \quad (3.71)$$

Further if  $(x, r) \in R^*$  then we have either  $(x, r) \in R_m \Rightarrow x \in B_m$  contradicting  $x \notin B_m$ ,  $(x, r) \in \{(b, x) | b \in B_m\} \Rightarrow x \in B_m$  contradicting  $x \notin B_m$  or  $(x, r) \in \{(x, x)\} \Rightarrow r = x$ . To summarize we have

$$\text{If } (x, r) \in R^* \text{ then } r = x \quad (3.72)$$

We prove now that  $\langle B_m \cup \{x\}, R^* \rangle$  is well ordered.

**Proof.** First we have:

**reflexivity.** If  $r \in B_m \cup \{x\}$  then we have either:

$r \in B_m$ . Then as  $\langle B_m, R_m \rangle$  is a partial order we have  $(r, r) \in R_m \subseteq R^*$ .

$r \notin B_m$ . Then  $r \in \{x\}$  so that  $r = x$  hence  $(r, r) = (x, x) \in \{(x, x)\} \subseteq R^*$

proving that  $(r, r) \in R^*$ .

**anti-symmetry.** If  $(r, s) \in R^*$  and  $(s, r) \in R^*$  then we have by [eq: 3.70] for  $(r, s)$  either:

$(r, s) \in R_m$ . Then as  $R_m \subseteq B_m \times B_m$  we have  $r, s \in B_m$  so that  $r \neq x \neq s$  so that  $(s, r) \in R_m$  [if  $(s, r) \in \{(b, x) | b \in B\} \cup \{(x, x)\}$  then  $r = x$  contradicting  $r \neq x$ ], which as  $\langle B_m, R_m \rangle$  is a partial order gives that  $r = s$ .

$(r, s) \in \{(b, x) | b \in B_m\}$ . Then  $s = x$  so that  $(x, r) = (s, r) \in R^* \xRightarrow{[\text{eq: 3.72}]} r = x = s$  hence  $s = r$ .

$(r, s) \in \{(x, x)\}$ . Then  $r = x = s \Rightarrow r = s$ .

proving  $r = s$

**transitivity.** If  $(r, s) \in R^* \wedge (s, t) \in R^*$  then we have by [eq: 3.70] that:

$(r, s) \in R_m$ . We have the following case for  $(s, t)$ :

$(s, t) \in R_m$ . Then as  $\langle B_m, R_m \rangle$  is a partial ordered we have  $(r, t) \in R_m \subseteq R^*$ .

$(s, t) \in \{(b, x) | b \in B_m\}$ . Then  $t = x$  and  $r \in B_m$  so that  $(r, t) \in \{(b, x) | b \in B_m\} \subseteq R^*$ .

$(s, t) \in \{(x, x)\}$ . Then  $t = x$  and  $r \in B_m$  so that  $(r, t) \in \{(b, x) | x \in B_m\} \subseteq R^*$ .

$(r, s) \in \{(b, x) | b \in B_m\}$ . Then  $s = x$  so that  $(s, t) = (x, t) \in R^* \xRightarrow{[\text{eq: 3.72}]} t = x$ . As  $r \in B_m$  we have  $(r, t) \in \{(b, x) | b \in B_m\} \subseteq R^*$ .

$(r, s) \in \{(x, x)\}$ . Then  $r = x \wedge t = x$  so that  $(x, t) = (s, t) \in R^* \xRightarrow{[\text{eq: 3.72}]} t = x$  hence  $(r, t) = (x, x) \in \{(x, x)\} \subseteq R^*$ .

proving  $(r, t) \in R^*$ .

Hence

$\langle B_m \cup \{x\}, R^* \rangle$  is partial ordered

If  $\emptyset \neq C \subseteq B_m \cup \{x\}$  is non empty then we have for  $C \cap B_m$  the following possibilities:

$C \cap B_m \neq \emptyset$ . Then as  $\emptyset \neq C \cap B_m \subseteq B_m$  and  $\langle B_m, R_m \rangle$  is well ordered [see definition of  $\mathcal{A}$ ] there exist a least element  $l \in C \cap B_m$  so

$$\forall r \in C \cap B_m \text{ we have } (l, r) \in R_m \quad (3.73)$$

Now if  $r \in C$  we have either:

$r \in B_m$ . then  $r \in C \cap B_m$  so that by the above [eq: 3.73]  $(l, r) \in R_m \subseteq R^*$

$r \notin B_m$ . then as  $C \subseteq B_m \cup \{x\}$  we have  $r = x$  so  $(l, r) \in \{(b, x) | b \in B_m\} \cup \{(x, x)\} \subseteq R^*$

proving that  $(l, r) \in R^*$ . Hence

$C$  has a least element [using  $\langle B \cup \{x\}, R^* \rangle$ ]

$C \cap B_m = \emptyset$ . Then  $C = \{x\}$  so that  $\forall r \in C$  we have  $r = x$  so that  $(r, x) = (x, x) \in \{(x, x)\} \subseteq R^*$  proving that  $x$  is a least element of  $C$ .

So in all cases we have that  $C$  has a least element, hence

$\langle B_m \cup \{x\}, R^* \rangle$  is well ordered □

Now as  $B_m \cup \{x\} \subseteq X$ , we have by the definition of  $\mathcal{A}$  and the above that

$$(B_m \cup \{x\}, R^*) \in \mathcal{A}$$



Next we have:

1.  $B_m \subseteq B_m \cup \{x\}$
2.  $R_m \subseteq R^*$
3. If  $r \in B_m$  and  $s \in (B_m \cup \{x\}) \setminus B_m$  then  $s = x$  so that  $(r, s) = (r, x) \in \{(b, x) | b \in B_m\} \subseteq R^*$

proving that  $(B_m, R_m) \preceq (B_m \cup \{x\}, R^*)$ . As  $(B_m, R_m)$  is a maximal element of  $\langle \mathcal{A}, \preceq \rangle$  we must have  $(B_m, R_m) = (B_m \cup \{x\}, R^*)$  so that  $B = B \cup \{x\}$  which as  $x \notin B_m$  leads to a contradiction. Hence the assumption that  $X \neq B_m$  is wrong and we must have that

$$X = B_m \quad \square$$

As  $\langle B_m, R_m \rangle$  is a well ordered the above proves that there exists a partial order  $R_m$  such that

$$\langle X, R_m \rangle = \langle B_m, R_m \rangle \text{ is well-ordered [by definition of } \mathcal{A} \text{ } B_m \text{ is well ordered]} \quad \square$$

We show now that Well Ordering implies the Axiom of Choice.

**Theorem 3.121.** *Assume that for every  $X$  there exist a order relation such that  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered then there exists a function  $c: \mathcal{P}'(X) \rightarrow X$  such that  $\forall A \in \mathcal{P}'(X)$  we have  $c(A) \in A$  (Axiom of Choice).*

**Proof.** Let  $X$  be a set then by the hypothesis there exist a order  $\leq$  on  $X$  such that  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered. Define now  $c = \{(A, x) | A \in \mathcal{P}'(X) \wedge x \text{ is a least element of } A\}$ . If  $(A, x) \in c$  then  $A \in \mathcal{P}'(X)$  and  $x$  is a least element of  $A$ , so that  $x \in A \subseteq X$  proving that  $(A, x) \in \mathcal{P}'(X) \times X$ . So  $c \subseteq \mathcal{P}'(X) \times X$ . If  $(A, x), (A, x') \in c$  then  $x$  and  $x'$  are least elements of  $A$ , which are unique by [theorem: 3.61] so that  $x = x'$ . Hence we have that

$$c: \mathcal{P}'(X) \rightarrow X \text{ is a partial function}$$

If  $A \in \mathcal{P}'(X)$  then  $A \neq \emptyset$  so by well ordering  $A$  has a least element  $l$  so that  $(A, l) \in c$ , so  $\mathcal{P}'(A) \subseteq \text{dom}(c)$ . Hence by [proposition: 2.26] we have that

$$c: \mathcal{P}'(X) \rightarrow X \text{ is a function}$$

If  $(A, x) \in c$  then  $x$  is the least element of  $A$  so that  $c(A) = x \in A$  proving that

$$c: \mathcal{P}'(X) \rightarrow X \text{ is a choice function for } X \quad \square$$

We are now ready to specify the different equivalent statements of the Axiom of Choice

**Theorem 3.122.** *The following statements are equivalent*

1. Axiom of Choice
2. Hausdorff's Maximal Principle
3. Zorn's Lemma
4. Every set can be well ordered

**Proof.**

1  $\Rightarrow$  2. This follows from [theorem: 3.115]

2  $\Rightarrow$  3. This follows from [theorem: 3.117]

3  $\Rightarrow$  4. This follows from [theorem: 3.118]

4  $\Rightarrow$  1. This follows from [theorem: 3.121]  $\square$

As in most of works about mathematics we assume the Axiom of Choice. To summarize the consequences of the Axiom of Choice we have [taking in account [theorem: 3.100] that the following statements are true.

**Theorem 3.123.**

**Axiom of Choice.** Let  $X$  be a set then there exist a function  $c: \mathcal{P}'(X) \rightarrow X$  such that  $\forall A \in \mathcal{P}'(X)$  we have  $c(A) \in A$ .

**Existence of Choice set.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a set of sets such that

- a)  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$  we have  $A \neq \emptyset$
- b)  $\forall A, B \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $A \neq B$  we have  $A \cap B = \emptyset$

then there exist a set  $C$  [called the **choice set of  $\mathcal{A}$** ] such that

- a)  $C \subseteq \bigcup \mathcal{A}$
- b)  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$  we have  $A \cap C \neq \emptyset$  and if  $y, y' \in A \cap C$  then  $y = y'$

**Axiom of Choice alternative.** If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  is a family of non empty sets [ $\forall i \in I$  we have  $A_i \neq \emptyset$ ] where  $I, \mathcal{A}$  are sets then there exists a function  $f: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  such that  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $f(i) \in A_i$

**Hausdorff's Maximal Theorem.** If  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered set then there exists a chain  $C \subseteq X$  such that for every chain  $D \subseteq X$  with  $C \subseteq D$  we have  $C = D$

**Zorn's Lemma.** If  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  is a partial ordered set such that every chain has a upper bound then  $X$  has a maximal element.

**Well-Ordering Theorem.** For every set there exists a order relation making  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  well-ordered.

There is a kind of extension of Zorn's lemma to pre-ordered sets if change the definition of maximal element slightly.

**Theorem 3.124.** Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a pre-ordered set [see definitions: 3.25, 3.24] such that every chain has a upper bound then there exists a  $m \in X$  such that  $\forall x \in X$  with  $m \leq x$  we have  $x \leq m$

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 3.33] we have the following

1.  $\sim \subseteq X \times X$  defined by  $\sim = \{(x, y) \in X \mid x \leq y \wedge y \leq x\}$  is a equivalence relation
2. Define  $\preceq \subseteq (X/\sim) \times (X/\sim)$  by

$$\preceq = \{(x, y) \in (X/\sim) \times (X/\sim) \mid \exists x' \in \sim[x] \text{ and } \exists y' \in \sim[y] \text{ such that } x' \leq y'\}$$

then  $\preceq$  is a order relation in  $X/\sim$ . So  $\langle X/\sim, \preceq \rangle$  is a partial ordered set

3.  $\forall x, y \in A$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow \sim[x] \preceq \sim[y]$

Let  $C \subseteq X/\sim$  be a chain [using the order  $\preceq$ ] and construct  $C' = \bigcup C$ . If  $x, y \in C'$  then  $\exists \sim[x'], \sim[y']$  such that  $x \in \sim[x']$  and  $y \in \sim[y']$ , so  $x \sim x'$  and  $y \sim y'$  or  $x \leq x' \wedge x' \leq x$  and  $y \leq y' \wedge y' \leq y$ . As  $C$  is a chain [using  $\preceq$ ] we have the following possibilities:

$\sim[x'] \preceq \sim[y']$ . then  $x' \leq y'$  and as  $x \leq x'$  and  $y' \leq y$  we have  $x \leq y$

$\sim[y'] \preceq \sim[x']$ . then  $y' \leq x'$  and as  $y \leq y'$  and  $x' \leq x$  we have  $y \leq x$

proving that  $x, y$  are comparable. Hence

$$C' \text{ is a chain [using } \leq]$$

By the hypothesis we have that there exist a upper bound  $u$  of  $C'$  [using  $\leq$ ], in other words

$$\exists u \in X \text{ such that } \forall x \in C' \text{ we have } x \leq u$$

Take now  $\sim[z] \in C$  then  $z \in \sim[z] \subseteq C'$  so that  $z \leq u$  and thus by (3)  $\sim[z] \preceq \sim[u]$ . So  $\sim[u]$  is a upper bound of  $C$ . As we just have proved that every chain in  $X/\sim$  has a upper bound and  $\langle X/\sim, \preceq \rangle$  is a partial order, it follows from Zorn's lemma that there exist a maximal element  $\sim[m]$  in  $X/\sim$ . So by [definition: 3.57] we have

$$\forall \sim[x] \in X/\sim \text{ with } \sim[m] \preceq \sim[x] \text{ we have } \sim[x] = \sim[m]$$

If now  $x \in X$  such that  $x \leq m$  then by (3) we have  $\sim[x] \preceq \sim[m]$  hence by the above we have  $\sim[x] = \sim[m]$  so that  $x \sim m$  hence  $x \leq m$ .  $\square$

As a interesting application of the Axiom of Choice we prove that every function can be restricted to a injection or bijection.

**Theorem 3.125.** *Let  $X, Y$  be sets,  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  a function then there exist a  $Z \subseteq X$  such that:*

1.  $f|_Z: Z \rightarrow Y$  is a injection
2.  $f|_Z(X) = f(X)$
3.  $f|_Z: Z \rightarrow f(X)$  is a bijection

**Proof.**

1. Define

$$\mathcal{A} = \{f^{-1}(\{y\}) \mid y \in f(X)\}.$$

If  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $\exists y \in f(X)$  such that  $A = f^{-1}(\{y\}) \subseteq X$  and as  $y \in f(X)$  there exists a  $x \in X$  such that  $f(x) = y \in \{y\} \Rightarrow x \in f^{-1}(\{y\}) = A$ , proving that  $A \neq \emptyset$ . So we have proved that

$$\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}'(X)$$

By the Axiom of Choice [axiom: 3.98] there exist a function

$$c: \mathcal{P}'(X) \rightarrow X \text{ such that } \forall A \in \mathcal{P}'(X) \ (c)(A) \in A$$

Take

$$Z = c(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq X$$

and consider the restriction of  $f$  to  $Z$

$$f|_Z: Z \rightarrow Y$$

Let  $x, y \in Z$  such that  $f|_Z(x) = f|_Z(y) \xRightarrow{x, y \in Z} f(x) = f(y)$ . As  $x, y \in Z = c(\mathcal{A})$  there exists  $A_x \in \mathcal{A} \wedge A_y \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $x = (c)(A_x) \in A_x$  and  $y = (c)(A_y) \in A_y$ . As  $A_x, A_y \in \mathcal{A}$  there exist  $x', y' \in f(X)$  such that  $A_x = f^{-1}(\{x'\})$  and  $A_y = f^{-1}(\{y'\})$ . Then  $f(x) \underset{x \in A_x}{=} x'$  and  $f(y) \underset{y \in A_y}{=} y'$ . As  $f(x) = f(y)$  we have  $x' = y'$  so that  $A_x = f^{-1}(\{x'\}) = f^{-1}(\{y'\}) = A_y$ . So  $x = (c)(A_x) = (c)(A_y) = y$ , proving that  $x = y$ .

2. If  $y \in f(X)$  then  $f^{-1}(\{y\}) \in \mathcal{A}$  so to that  $x = (c)(f^{-1}(\{y\})) \in c(\mathcal{A}) = Z$ . Further as  $(c)(f^{-1}(\{y\})) \in f^{-1}(\{y\})$  we have that  $f(x) = f((c)(f^{-1}(\{y\}))) \in \{y\}$  so that  $y = f(x) \in f(Z)$ , proving that  $f(X) \subseteq f(Z)$ . As  $Z \subseteq X$  we have by [theorem: 2.17] that  $f(Z) \subseteq f(X)$  so that

$$f(X) = f(Z)$$

3. From (2) we have that  $f|_Z: Z \rightarrow f(X)$  is surjective which together with (1) proves bijectivity.  $\square$

From this point on we will gradually start to use the simpler notations for functions and families that are mentioned in the references [definition: 2.39], [theorem: 2.41], [theorem: 2.42], [theorem: 2.52], [theorem: 2.91], [notation: 2.92], [theorem: 2.106] and [theorem: 2.111] without explicit referring to them. This to avoid excessive notation and difference of notation between this text and standard mathematical practice. Another simplification of notation that we introduce is the following.

**Notation 3.126.** *If  $f: A \times B \rightarrow C$  is a function then  $f((x, y))$  is noted as  $f(x, y)$*



# Chapter 4

## Algebraic constructs

Before we define the different number systems, like the natural numbers, whole numbers, rational numbers, real numbers and complex numbers, we define the algebraic operations and structures that we can define on them. In this way we abstract away the algebraic operations and algebraic structures. First we define the concept of a operator which is short notation for the application of a function with two arguments between a set and itself.

**Definition 4.1. (Operator)** Let  $X$  be a set then a **operator** is function

$$f: X \times X \rightarrow X$$

To avoid using excessive notation we use infix notation instead of the classic function call notation, so

$$f(x, y) \text{ is noted as } xfy$$

### 4.1 Groups

**Definition 4.2.** A semi-group is a pair  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  where  $G$  is a set and  $\odot$  a operator  $\odot: G \times G \rightarrow G$  such that:

**neutral element.**  $\exists e \in G$  such that  $\forall x \in G$  we have  $x \odot e = x = e \odot x$

**associativity.**  $\forall x, y, z \in G$  we have  $(x \odot y) \odot z = x \odot (y \odot z)$

**Theorem 4.3.** If  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  is a semi-group then

1.  $G \neq \emptyset$
2.  $G$  has only one neutral element

**Proof.**

1. As  $G$  is a group there exist a neutral element  $e \in G$  so that  $G \neq \emptyset$
2. Assume that there exists two neutral elements  $e, e'$  then we have

$$e \underset{e' \text{ is neutral element}}{=} e \odot e' \underset{e \text{ is neutral element}}{=} e' \quad \square$$

**Example 4.4.** Let  $X$  be a set then  $\langle X^X, \circ \rangle$  is a semi group [see definition: 2.30]. Here  $X^X$  is the set of function graphs between  $X$  and  $X$  and  $\circ$  is the composition between functions.

**Proof.** As  $X$  is a set we have by [theorem: 2.35] that  $X^X$  is a set. Further if  $f, g \in X^X$  then  $f: X \rightarrow$  and  $g: X \rightarrow X$  are functions, so that by [theorem: 2.28]  $f \circ g: X \rightarrow X$  is a function, hence  $f \circ g \in X^X$ . So

$$\circ: X^X \times X^X \rightarrow X^X \text{ defined by } \circ(f, g) = f \circ g$$

is a function. The neutral element is  $\text{Id}_X$  because  $\forall f \in X^X$  we have

$$f \circ \text{Id}_X \underset{[\text{theorem: 2.48}]}{=} f \underset{[\text{theorem: 2.48}]}{=} \text{Id}_X \circ f \quad \square$$

A group is a semi-group with the extra condition that is has a inverse element.

**Definition 4.5.** A **group**  $\langle X, \odot \rangle$  is a semi-group with the extra condition

**Inverse Element.**  $\forall x \in G$  there  $\exists y \in G$  such that

$$x \odot y = e = y \odot x$$

where  $e$  is the neutral element of the group.

One benefit that a group has is the canceling property

**Theorem 4.6.** If  $x, y, z \in \langle G, \odot \rangle$  then  $x \odot z = y \odot z$  then  $x = y$

**Proof.** We have

$$\begin{aligned} x \odot z = y \odot z &\Rightarrow (x \odot z) \odot z^{-1} = (y \odot z) \odot z^{-1} \\ &\xRightarrow{\text{associativity}} x \odot (z \odot z^{-1}) = y \odot (z \odot z^{-1}) \\ &\xRightarrow{\text{inverse element}} x \odot e = y \odot e \\ &\Rightarrow x = y \\ &\quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 4.7.** If  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  is group then every element has a unique inverse element. So

$$\forall x \in G \exists! y \in G \text{ such that } x \odot y = x = y \odot x$$

this unique element is noted as  $x^{-1}$  [or sometimes as  $-x$ ]

**Proof.** Let  $x \in G$  and assume that  $y, y'$  are inverse elements for  $x$  then we have

$$x \odot y = e = y \odot x \text{ and } x \odot y' = e = y' \odot x$$

So that

$$y = y \odot e = y \odot (x \odot y') = (y \odot x) \odot y' = e \odot y' = y'$$

□

**Theorem 4.8.** If  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  is a group then  $\forall x, y \in G$  we have  $(x \odot y)^{-1} = y^{-1} \odot x^{-1}$

**Proof.** We have

$$\begin{aligned} (x \odot y) \odot (y^{-1} \odot x^{-1}) &= x \odot (y \odot (y^{-1} \odot x^{-1})) \\ &= x \odot ((y \odot y^{-1}) \odot x^{-1}) \\ &= x \odot (e \odot x^{-1}) \\ &= x \odot x^{-1} \\ &= e \\ (y^{-1} \odot x^{-1}) \odot (x \odot y) &= y^{-1} \odot (x^{-1} \odot (x \odot y)) \\ &= y^{-1} \odot ((x^{-1} \odot x) \odot y) \\ &= y^{-1} \odot (e \odot y) \\ &= y^{-1} \odot y \\ &= e \\ &\quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 4.9.** If  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  is a group then  $\forall x \in G$  we have  $(x^{-1})^{-1} = x$  and  $e^{-1} = e$  where  $e$  is the neutral element.

**Proof.** If  $x \in G$  then  $x \odot x^{-1} = e = x^{-1} \odot x$  and  $(x^{-1})^{-1} \odot x^{-1} = e = x^{-1} \odot (x^{-1})^{-1}$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x \odot e \\ &= x \odot (x^{-1} \odot (x^{-1})^{-1}) \\ &= (x \odot x^{-1}) \odot (x^{-1})^{-1} \\ &= e \odot (x^{-1})^{-1} \\ &= (x^{-1})^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Further

$$e^{-1} = e \cdot e^{-1} = e$$

□

**Theorem 4.10.** If  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  then  $\forall x, y \in X$  we have  $x = y \Leftrightarrow x^{-1} = y^{-1}$  [and by contraposition  $x \neq y \Leftrightarrow x^{-1} \neq y^{-1}$ ]

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ .  $e = x^{-1} \cdot x = x^{-1} \cdot y$  and  $e = x \cdot x^{-1} = y \cdot x^{-1}$  proving by uniqueness of the inverse [see theorem: 4.7] that  $y^{-1} = x^{-1}$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $x^{-1} = y^{-1}$  then by the above we have  $(x^{-1})^{-1} = (y^{-1})^{-1}$  it follows from [theorem: 4.9] that  $x = y$ .

□

**Definition 4.11.** A semi-group or group  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  is abelian or **commutative** iff

$$\forall x, y \in G \text{ we have } x \odot y = y \odot x$$

**Definition 4.12.** Let  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  be a semi-group then  $F \subseteq G$  is a sub-semi-group iff

1.  $\forall x, y \in F$  we have  $x \odot y \in F$
2.  $e \in F$  [e is the neutral element of  $G$ ]

**Definition 4.13.** Let  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  be groups then  $F \subseteq G$  is a sub-group iff

1.  $\forall x, y \in F$  we have  $x \odot y \in F$
2.  $e \in F$  [e is the neutral element of  $G$ ]
3.  $\forall x \in F$  we have  $x^{-1} \in F$

The following show how sub-semi-groups and sub-groups can be used to reduce the work for proving the group axioms.

**Theorem 4.14.** Let  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  be a semi-group and  $F \subseteq G$  a sub-semi-group then

1.  $\langle F, \odot|_{F \times F} \rangle$  is a semi group with the same neutral element as  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$
2. If  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  is abelian then  $\langle F, \odot|_{F \times F} \rangle$  is abelian

To avoid excessive notation we use  $\odot$  instead of  $\odot|_{F \times F}$  if it is clear from the context which operation should be used.

**Proof.** First as  $G$  is a set we have by the Axiom of Subsets [axiom: 1.54] that  $G$  is a set.

1. For  $\langle F, \odot|_{F \times F} \rangle$

**neutral element.** By definition of a subgroup  $e \in F$ . Let  $x \in F$  then

$$e \odot|_{F \times F} x \underset{e, x \in F}{=} e \odot x = x = x \odot e = x \odot|_{F \times F} e$$

**associativity.** Let  $x, y, z \in F$  then

$$(x \odot|_{F \times F} y) \odot|_{F \times F} z = (x \odot y) \odot z = x \odot (y \odot z) = x \odot|_{F \times F} (y \odot|_{F \times F} z)$$

2. Let  $x, y \in F$  then

$$x \odot|_{F \times F} y = x \odot y = y \odot x = y \odot|_{F \times F} x$$

□

**Theorem 4.15.** Let  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  be a semi-group  $F \subseteq G$  a sub semi-group of  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  and  $H \subseteq F$  a sub semi-group of  $\langle G, \odot|_{F \times F} \rangle$  then  $H$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$

**Proof.**

1.  $\forall x, y \in H \subseteq F$  we have  $x \odot|_{F \times F} y \in H$  which as  $(x, y) \in F \times F$  proves that  $x \odot y = x \odot|_{F \times F} y \in H$

2. if  $e$  is the neutral element of  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  then by [theorem: 4.14]  $e$  is also the neutral element of  $F$ , hence  $e \in H$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.16.** Let  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  be a group and  $F \subseteq G$  a sub-group then

1.  $\langle F, \odot|_{F \times F} \rangle$  is a group with same neutral element as  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  and for every  $x \in F$  it's inverse element in  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  is also the inverse element in  $\langle F, \odot|_{F \times F} \rangle$ .
2. If  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  is abelian then  $\langle F, \odot|_{F \times F} \rangle$  is abelian

To avoid excessive notation we use  $\odot$  instead of  $\odot|_{F \times F}$  if it is clear from the context which operation should be used.

**Proof.**

1. For  $\langle F, \odot|_{F \times F} \rangle$  we have

**neutral element.** Let  $x \in F$  then  $e \odot|_{F \times F} x =_{e, x \in F} e \odot x = x = x \odot e = x \odot|_{F \times F} e$

**associativity.** Let  $x, y, z \in F$  then

$$(x \odot|_{F \times F} y) \odot|_{F \times F} z = (x \odot y) \odot z = x \odot (y \odot z) = x \odot|_{F \times F} (y \odot|_{F \times F} z)$$

**inverse element.** Let  $x \in F$  then also  $x^{-1} \in F$  then

$$(x \odot|_{F \times F} x^{-1}) = x \odot x^{-1} = e = x^{-1} \odot c = x^{-1} \odot|_{F \times F} x$$

2. Let  $x, y \in F$  then

$$x \odot|_{F \times F} y = x \odot y = y \odot x = y \odot|_{F \times F} x \quad \square$$

**Theorem 4.17.** Let  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  be a group  $F \subseteq G$  a sub group of  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  and  $H \subseteq F$  a sub group of  $\langle G, \odot|_{F \times F} \rangle$  then  $H$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$

**Proof.**

1.  $\forall x, y \in H \subseteq F$  we have  $x \odot|_{F \times F} y \in H$  which as  $(x, y) \in F \times F$  proves that  $x \odot y = x \odot|_{F \times F} y \in H$ .
2. If  $e$  is the neutral element of  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  then by [theorem: 4.16]  $e$  is also the neutral element of  $F$ , hence  $e \in H$ .
3. If  $x \in H$  then  $x \in G$  and by [theorem: 4.16] it's inverse element  $x^{-1}$  in  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  is also its inverse element in  $\langle F, \odot|_{F \times F} \rangle$  hence  $x^{-1} \in H$ .  $\square$

**Example 4.18.** Let  $X$  be a set,  $\langle X^X, \circ \rangle$  the semi-group used in [example: 4.4] then  $\langle \mathcal{B}[X], \circ \rangle$  is a group where  $\mathcal{B}[X] = \{f \in X^X | f: X \rightarrow X \text{ is a bijection}\}$ .

**Proof.** First we prove that  $\mathcal{B}[X]$  is a sub-semi-group

1.  $\forall f, g \in \mathcal{B}[X]$  we have that  $f: X \rightarrow X$  and  $g: X \rightarrow X$  are bijections so that by [theorem: 2.73]  $f \circ g$  is a bijection so that  $f \circ g \in \mathcal{B}[X]$
2.  $\text{Id}_X: X \rightarrow X$  is by [theorem: 2.64] a bijection so that  $\text{Id}_X \in \mathcal{B}[X]$

Applying then [theorem: 4.14] proves that

$$\langle \mathcal{B}[X], \circ \rangle \text{ is a semi-group}$$

Let  $f \in \mathcal{B}[X]$  then  $f: X \rightarrow X$  is a bijection and by [theorems: 2.68, 2.71] we have that  $f^{-1}: X \rightarrow X$  is a bijection, so that  $f^{-1} \in \mathcal{B}[X]$  and  $f \circ \text{Id}_X = f = \text{Id}_X \circ f$ .  $\square$

**Definition 4.19. (Group Homeomorphism)** If  $\langle F, \odot \rangle$  and  $\langle G, \oplus \rangle$  be semi-groups then a function  $f: F \rightarrow G$  is a **group homeomorphism between  $\langle F, \odot \rangle$  and  $\langle G, \oplus \rangle$**  iff  $\forall x, y \in F$  we have  $f(x \odot y) = f(x) \oplus f(y)$ .

**Notation 4.20.** We use the following notation for a group homeomorphism between  $\langle F, \odot \rangle$  and  $\langle G, \oplus \rangle$

$$f: \langle F, \odot \rangle \rightarrow \langle G, \oplus \rangle \text{ is a group homeomorphism}$$



**Theorem 4.21.** If  $\langle F, \odot \rangle$  and  $\langle G, \oplus \rangle$  are semi-groups,  $H \subseteq G$  a sub-semi-group of  $\langle G, \oplus \rangle$  and  $f: \langle F, \odot \rangle \rightarrow \langle H, \oplus|_{H \times H} \rangle$  is a group homeomorphism then

$$f: \langle F, \odot \rangle \rightarrow \langle G, \oplus \rangle \text{ is a group homeomorphism}$$

**Proof.** Let  $x, y \in F$  then we have

$$f(x \odot y) = f(x) \oplus_{|H \times H} f(y) = f(x) \oplus f(y)$$

□

**Theorem 4.22.** If  $\langle F, \odot \rangle$  and  $\langle G, \oplus \rangle$  be semi groups with neutral elements  $e_F, e_G$  and  $f: F \rightarrow G$  a **group homeomorphism** then:

1.  $f(e_F) = e_G$
2. If  $\langle F, \odot \rangle$  and  $\langle G, \oplus \rangle$  are groups then  $\forall x \in F$  we have  $f(x^{-1}) = f(x)^{-1}$
3.  $f(F)$  is a sub-[semi-]group of  $\langle G, \oplus \rangle$  if  $\langle F, \odot \rangle$  is a [semi-]group

**Proof.**

1.

$$\begin{aligned} e_G &= f(e_F)^{-1} \oplus f(e_F) \\ &= f(e_F)^{-1} \oplus f(e_F \odot e_F) \\ &= f(e_F)^{-1} \oplus (f(e_F) \oplus f(e_F)) \\ &= (f(e_F)^{-1} \oplus f(e_F)) \oplus f(e_F) \\ &= e_G \oplus f(e_F) \\ &= f(e_F) \end{aligned}$$

2. If  $x \in F$  then

$$f(x^{-1}) \oplus f(x) = f(x^{-1} \odot x) = f(e_F) \stackrel{(1)}{=} e_G$$

and

$$f(x) \oplus f(x^{-1}) = f(x \odot x^{-1}) = f(e_F) \stackrel{(1)}{=} e_G$$

so that  $f(x)^{-1} = f(x^{-1})$

3. If  $x, y \in f(F)$  then there exists  $u, v \in F$  such that  $x = f(u)$  and  $y = f(v)$ , then we have

$$x \oplus y = f(u) \oplus f(v) = f(u \odot v) \in f(F)$$

Also

$$e_G \stackrel{(1)}{=} f(e_F) \in f(F)$$

Finally if  $\langle F, \odot \rangle$  and  $\langle G, \oplus \rangle$  are groups and  $x \in f(F)$  then there exists a  $u \in F$  such that  $x = f(u)$ , then we have

$$x^{-1} \stackrel{(2)}{=} f(u)^{-1} = f(u^{-1}) \in f(F)$$

□

**Definition 4.23. (Group Isomorphism)** If  $\langle F, \odot \rangle$  and  $\langle G, \oplus \rangle$  are semi-groups then a **group isomorphism** is a **bijection**  $f: F \rightarrow G$  such that

$$f: \langle F, \odot \rangle \rightarrow \langle G, \oplus \rangle \text{ is a group homeomorphism}$$

**Theorem 4.24.** Let  $\langle F, \odot \rangle, \langle G, \oplus \rangle$  be semi groups and

$$f: \langle F, \odot \rangle \rightarrow \langle G, \oplus \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

then

$$f^{-1}: \langle G, \oplus \rangle \rightarrow \langle F, \odot \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

**Proof.** As  $f: F \rightarrow G$  is a bijection we have by [theorem: 2.71] that  $f^{-1}: G \rightarrow F$  is a bijection. Take  $x, y \in G$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 f^{-1}(x \oplus y) &= f^{-1}(\text{Id}_G(x) \oplus \text{Id}_G(y)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.68}]}{=} f^{-1}((f \circ f^{-1})(x) \oplus (f \circ f^{-1})(y)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.42}]}{=} f^{-1}(f(f^{-1}(x)) \oplus f(f^{-1}(y))) \\
 &\stackrel{f \text{ is homeomorphism}}{=} f^{-1}(f(f^{-1}(x) \odot f^{-1}(y))) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.42}]}{=} (f^{-1} \circ f)(f^{-1}(x) \odot f^{-1}(y)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.68}]}{=} \text{Id}_F(f^{-1}(x) \odot f^{-1}(y)) \\
 &= f^{-1}(x) \odot f^{-1}(y)
 \end{aligned}$$

Further if  $e_F, e_G$  are the neutral elements of  $\langle F, \oplus_F \rangle, \langle G, \oplus_G \rangle$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
 e_F &= \text{Id}_F(e_f) \\
 &= (f^{-1} \circ f)(e_f) \\
 &= f^{-1}(f(e_f)) \\
 &= f^{-1}(e_G)
 \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$f^{-1}: F \rightarrow G \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

□

**Theorem 4.25.** If  $\langle A, \oplus_A \rangle, \langle B, \oplus_B \rangle$  and  $\langle C, \oplus_C \rangle$  are [semi-]groups then

1. If  $D$  is a sub [semi-]group of  $\langle B, \oplus_B \rangle$  and

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle D, \oplus_B \rangle \text{ and } g: \langle B, \oplus_B \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \oplus_C \rangle \text{ are group homeomorphism}$$

then

$$g \circ f: \langle A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \oplus_C \rangle \text{ is a group homeomorphism}$$

and

$$g(f(A)) \text{ is a sub [semi-]group of } \langle C, \oplus_C \rangle$$

2. If  $D$  is a sub group of  $\langle B, \oplus_B \rangle$  and

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle D, \oplus_B \rangle \text{ and } g: \langle B, \oplus_B \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \oplus_C \rangle \text{ are group isomorphisms}$$

then

$$g \circ f: \langle A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle g(f(A)), \oplus_C \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

or as  $g(D) \stackrel{f: A \rightarrow D \text{ is injective}}{=} g(f(A))$  that

$$g \circ f: \langle A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle g(D), \oplus_C \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

**Proof.**

1. Let  $x, y \in A$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (g \circ f)(x \oplus_A y) &= g(f(x \oplus_A y)) \\
 &\stackrel{f \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} g(f(x) \oplus_B f(y)) \\
 &\stackrel{g \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} g(f(x)) \oplus_C g(f(y)) \\
 &= (g \circ f)(x) \oplus_C (g \circ f)(y)
 \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $g \circ f$  is a group homeomorphism. Finally using [theorem: 4.22] we have then that

$$g(f(A)) \text{ is a sub group}$$

2. Using [theorem: 2.73] we have that  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow g(f(A))$  is a bijection which combined with (1) proves that  $g \circ f: \langle A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \oplus_C \rangle$  is a group isomorphism.  $\square$

The following theorem show how we can define a group on the product of a family of groups.

**Theorem 4.26.** *Let  $\{\langle A_i, \odot_i \rangle\}_{i \in I}$  be a family of semi-groups then we have*

1. *If  $x, y \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  then  $(x \odot y) \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  where  $x \odot y$  is defined by  $(x \odot y)_i = x_i \odot_i y_i$*
2. *If we define  $\odot: (\prod_{i \in I} A_i) \times (\prod_{i \in I} A_i) \rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  by  $\odot(x, y) = x \odot y$  then*

$$\left\langle \prod_{i \in I} A_i, \odot \right\rangle$$

*is a semi-group with neutral element  $e$  defined by  $(e)_i = e_i$  where  $e_i$  is the neutral element of  $\langle A_i, \odot_i \rangle$*

3. *If  $\forall i \in I$  we have that  $\langle A_i, \odot_i \rangle$  is abelian then  $\langle \prod_{i \in I} A_i, \odot \rangle$  is abelian.*
4. *If  $\forall i \in I$  we have that  $\langle A_i, \odot_i \rangle$  is a group then  $\langle \prod_{i \in I} A_i, \odot \rangle$  is a group where the inverse  $x^{-1}$  for each  $x \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  is defined by  $(x^{-1})_i = (x_i)^{-1}$  [here  $(x_i)^{-1}$  is the inverse of  $x_i$  in the group  $\langle A_i, \odot_i \rangle$ ]*

**Proof.**

1. If  $x, y \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  then  $x$  is a function  $x: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  such that  $\forall i \in I$   $x_i = x(i) \in A_i$  and  $y$  is a function  $y: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  such that  $\forall i \in I$   $y_i = y(i) \in A_i$ . So if we define  $x \odot y$  by  $(x \odot y)(i) = (x \odot y)_i = x_i \odot_i y_i = x(i) \odot_i y(i)$  then  $x \odot y: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is a function and  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $(x \odot y)(i) = x(i) \odot_i y(i) \in A_i$  [as  $\langle A_i, \odot_i \rangle$  is a semi-group]. Hence  $x \odot y \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$
2. We have

**associativity.** Let  $x, y, z \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  then we have for  $i \in I$

$$\begin{aligned} (x \odot (y \odot z))(i) &= x(i) \odot_i (y \odot z)(i) \\ &= x(i) \odot_i (y(i) \odot_i z(i)) \\ &\stackrel{\langle A_i, \odot_i \rangle \text{ is a semi group}}{=} (x(i) \odot_i y(i)) \odot_i z(i) \\ &= (x \odot y)(i) \odot_i z(i) \\ &= ((x \odot y) \odot z)(i) \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$x \odot (y \odot z) = (x \odot y) \odot z$$

**neutral element.** Let  $x \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  then  $\forall i \in I$

$$\begin{aligned} (x \odot e)(i) &= x(i) \odot_i e(i) \\ &= x(i) \odot_i e_i \\ &\stackrel{\langle A_i, \odot_i \rangle \text{ is a semi group}}{=} x(i) \\ (e \odot x)(i) &= e(i) \odot_i x(i) \\ &= e_i \odot_i x(i) \\ &\stackrel{\langle A_i, \odot_i \rangle \text{ is a semi group}}{=} x(i) \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$x \odot e = x = e \odot x$$

3. Let  $x, y \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  then  $\forall i \in I$  we have

$$(x \odot y)(i) = x(i) \odot_i y(i) \stackrel{\langle A_i, \odot_i \rangle \text{ is abelian}}{=} y(i) \odot_i x(i) = (y \odot x)(i)$$

so that  $x \odot y = y \odot x$

4. Let  $x \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  then we have  $\forall i \in I$  that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x \odot x^{-1})(i) &= x(i) \odot_i (x^{-1})(i) \\
 &= x(i) \odot_i (x_i)^{-1} \\
 &= x_i \odot_i (x_i)^{-1} \\
 &\stackrel{\langle A_i, \odot_i \rangle \text{ is a group}}{=} e_i \\
 &= e(i) \\
 (x^{-1} \odot x)(i) &= (x^{-1})(i) \odot_i x(i) \\
 &= (x_i)^{-1} \odot_i x(i) \\
 &= (x_i)^{-1} \odot_i x_i \\
 &= e_i \\
 &= e(i)
 \end{aligned}$$

So that  $x \odot x^{-1} = e = x^{-1} \odot x$ . Which as by (2)  $\langle \prod_{i \in I} A_i, \odot \rangle$  is a semi group proves that  $\langle \prod_{i \in I} A_i, \odot \rangle$  is a group.  $\square$

The following five definitions will be later used in Linear Algebra.

**Definition 4.27.** Let  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  be a group with neutral element  $e$  and let  $X$  be a set then we have the following definitions:

1. A **left group action** is a function  $\triangleright: G \times X \rightarrow X$  where  $\triangleright(g, x) \stackrel{\text{notation}}{=} g \triangleright x$  such that
  - a.  $\forall x \in X$  we have  $e \triangleright x = x$
  - b.  $\forall g, g' \in G$  and  $\forall x \in X$  we have  $(g \odot g') \triangleright x = g \triangleright (g' \triangleright x)$
2. A **right group action** is a function  $\triangleleft: X \times G \rightarrow X$  where  $\triangleleft(x, g) \stackrel{\text{notation}}{=} x \triangleleft g$  such that
  - a.  $\forall x \in X$  we have  $x \triangleleft e = x$
  - b.  $\forall g, g' \in G$  and  $\forall x \in X$  we have  $x \triangleleft (g \odot g') = (x \triangleleft g) \triangleleft g'$

**Definition 4.28.** Let  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  be a group,  $X$  a set,  $\triangleright$  a left group action and  $g \in G$  then we define

$$g_{\triangleright}: X \rightarrow X \text{ by } g_{\triangleright}(x) = g \triangleright x$$

**Definition 4.29.** Let  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  be a group,  $X$ ,  $\triangleleft$  a right group action and  $g \in G$  then we define

$$g_{\triangleleft}: X \rightarrow X \text{ by } g_{\triangleleft}(x) = x \triangleleft g$$

**Definition 4.30.** Let  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  be a group with neutral element  $e$  and let  $X$  be a set then we have the following definitions for a left group action  $\triangleright$

1.  $\triangleright$  is **faithful** if

$$g_{\triangleright} = \text{Id}_X \text{ if and only if } g = e$$

or equivalently

$$\{g \in G \mid \forall x \in X \text{ we have } g \triangleright x = x\} = \{e\}$$

2.  $\triangleright$  is **transitive** iff  $\forall x_1, x_2$  there exist a  $g \in G$  such that  $g \triangleright x_1 = x_2$
3.  $\triangleright$  is **free** iff  $\forall x \in X$  we have  $\{g \in G \mid g \triangleright x = x\} = \{e\}$

**Definition 4.31.** Let  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$  be a group with neutral element  $e$  and let  $X$  be a set then we have the following definitions for a right group action  $\triangleleft$

1.  $\triangleleft$  is **faithful** if

$$g_{\triangleleft} = \text{Id}_X \text{ if and only if } g = e$$

or equivalently

$$\{g \in G \mid \forall x \in X \text{ we have } g \triangleleft x = x\} = \{e\}$$

2.  $\triangleright$  is **transitive** iff  $\forall x_1, x_2$  there exists a  $g \in G$  such that  $g \triangleleft x_1 = x_2$
3.  $\triangleright$  is **free** iff  $\forall x \in X$  we have  $\{g \in G | g \triangleleft x = x\} = \{e\}$

## 4.2 Rings

**Definition 4.32. (Ring)** A triple  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a ring iff

1.  $R$  is a set
2.  $\langle R, \oplus \rangle$  is a abelian group or  $\oplus: R \times R \rightarrow R$  is a operator such that
  - associativity.**  $\forall x, y, z \in R$  we have  $x \oplus (y \oplus z) = (x \oplus y) \oplus z$
  - neutral element.**  $\exists 0 \in R$  such that  $\forall x \in R$  we have  $0 \oplus x = x = x \oplus 0$
  - inverse element.**  $\forall x \in R$  there exist a  $-x$  such that  $x \oplus (-x) = 0 = (-x) \oplus x$
  - commutativity.**  $\forall x, y \in R$  we have  $x \oplus y = y \oplus x$ $\oplus$  is called the sum operator of the ring.
3.  $\odot: R \times R \rightarrow R$  is a operator so that
  - distributivity.**  $\forall x, y, z \in R$  we have  $x \odot (y \oplus z) = (x \odot y) \oplus (x \odot z)$
  - neutral element.**  $\exists 1 \in R$  such that  $\forall x \in R$  we have  $1 \odot x = x = x \odot 1$
  - commutativity.**  $\forall x, y \in R$  we have  $x \odot y = y \odot x$
  - associativity.**  $\forall x, y, z \in R$  we have  $x \odot (y \odot z) = (x \odot y) \odot z$ $\odot$  is called the multiplication operator of the ring.

**Definition 4.33.** If  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a ring then a **zero divisor of  $R$**  is a  $x \in R \setminus \{0\}$  so that  $\exists y \in R \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $x \odot y = 0$

**Definition 4.34.** A ring  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a **integral domain** if it does not contains a **zero divisor**

**Definition 4.35. (Subring)** If  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a ring then a subset  $S \subseteq R$  is a subring iff

1.  $\forall x, y \in S$  we have  $x \oplus y \in S$  and  $x \odot y \in S$
2.  $\forall x \in S$  we have  $-x \in S$  [the inverse element for  $\oplus$ ]
3.  $1 \in S$  [the neutral element for  $\odot$ ]
4.  $0 \in S$  [the neutral element for  $\oplus$ ]

**Theorem 4.36.** If  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a ring  $F \subseteq R$  a sub ring of  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  then

$F$  is a sub group of  $\langle R, \oplus \rangle$  and  $F$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle R, \odot \rangle$

**Proof.** This follows directly from [definitions: 4.12, 4.13 and 4.35] □

**Theorem 4.37.** If  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a ring and  $S \subseteq R$  a subring then  $\langle S, \oplus|_{S \times S}, \odot|_{S \times S} \rangle$  is a ring with the same neutral elements for addition and multiplications and for each  $x \in S$  its inverse element is also the inverse element in  $\langle S, \oplus|_{S \times S}, \odot|_{S \times S} \rangle$ . For simplicity we note this ring as  $\langle S, \oplus, \odot \rangle$

**Proof.**

1.  $S$  is a set as  $R$  is a set by the Axiom of Subsets [axiom: 1.54].
2.  $\langle S, \oplus|_{S \times S} \rangle$  is a abelian group by [theorem: 4.14]
3.  $\odot: R \times R \rightarrow R$  is a operator so that

**Distributivity.**  $\forall x, y, z \in S$  we have

$$x \odot|_{S \times S} (y \oplus|_{S \times S} z) = x \odot (y \oplus z) = (x \odot y) \oplus (x \odot z) = (x \odot|_{S \times S} y) \oplus|_{S \times S} (x \odot|_{S \times S} z)$$

**neutral element.** For  $1 \in R$  we have  $\forall x \in S$  that

$$1 \odot_{|S \times S} x = 1 \odot x = x = x \odot 1 = x \odot_{|S \times S} 1$$

**commutativity.**  $\forall x, y \in S$  we have

$$x \odot_{|S \times S} y = x \odot y = y \odot x = y \odot_{|S \times S} x$$

**associativity.**  $\forall x, y, z \in S$  we have

$$x \odot_{|S \times S} (y \odot_{|S \times S} z) = x \odot (y \odot z) = (x \odot y) \odot z = (x \odot_{|S \times S} y) \odot_{|S \times S} z \quad \square$$

**Theorem 4.38.** Let  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  be a ring  $F \subseteq R$  a subring of  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  and  $H \subseteq F$  a subring of  $\langle R, \oplus_{|F \times F}, \odot_{|F \times F} \rangle$  then  $H$  is a subring of  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$

**Proof.**

1.  $\forall x, y \in H \subseteq F$  we have  $x \oplus_{|F \times F} y \in H$  which as  $(x, y) \in F \times F$  proves that

$$x \oplus y = x \oplus_{|F \times F} y \in H$$

and  $x \odot_{|F \times F} y \in H$  which as  $(x, y) \in F \times F$  proves that

$$x \odot y = x \odot_{|F \times F} y \in H$$

2. If 0 is the additive neutral element of  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  then by [theorem: 4.37] 0 is also the additive neutral element of  $\langle F, \oplus_{|F \times F}, \odot_{|F \times F} \rangle$  hence  $0 \in H$ .
3. If 1 is the multiplicative neutral element of  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  then by [theorem: 4.37] 1 is also the multiplicative neutral element of  $\langle F, \oplus_{|F \times F}, \odot_{|F \times F} \rangle$  hence  $1 \in H$ .
4. If  $x \in H$  then by [theorem: 4.37] its inverse element  $-x$  is also the inverse element in  $\langle F, \oplus_{|F \times F}, \odot_{|F \times F} \rangle$  hence  $x^{-1} \in H$ .  $\square$

The following theorem shows that the neutral element for the sum in a ring is actual a absorbing element.

**Theorem 4.39.** Let  $\langle X, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  be a ring with 0 the neutral element for  $\oplus$  then  $\forall x \in R$  we have

$$x \odot 0 = 0 = 0 \odot x$$

**Proof.** If  $x \in R$  then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 & \stackrel{\text{inverse element}}{=} (0 \odot x) \oplus -(0 \odot x) \\ & \stackrel{0 \oplus 0 = 0}{=} ((0 \oplus 0) \odot x) \oplus -(0 \odot x) \\ & \stackrel{\text{distributivity}}{=} [(0 \odot x) \oplus (0 \odot x)] \oplus -(0 \odot x) \\ & \stackrel{\text{associativity}}{=} (0 \odot x) \oplus [(0 \odot x) + (-(0 \odot x))] \\ & \stackrel{\text{inverse element}}{=} (0 \odot x) \oplus 0 \\ & \stackrel{\text{inverse element}}{=} 0 \odot x \\ & \stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} x \odot 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\square$

**Theorem 4.40.** Let  $\langle X, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  be a ring with 0 the neutral element for  $\oplus$  and 1 the neutral element for  $\odot$  then we have:

1.  $\forall x \in X$  we have  $-x = (-1) \odot x$
2.  $\forall x, y \in X$  we have  $-(x \odot y) = (-x) \odot y = x \odot (-y)$
3.  $\forall x, y \in X$  we have  $x \odot y = (-x) \odot (-y)$
4.  $(-1) \odot (-1) = 1$

**Proof.**

1. Let  $x \in X$  then

$$x + (-1) \odot x \stackrel{\text{commutative}}{=} (-1) \odot x + x = (-1) \odot x + 1 \odot x = ((-1) + 1) \odot x = 0 \odot x \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.39}]}{=} 0$$

which as the inverse element is unique by [theorem: 4.7] proves that  $-x = (-1) \odot x$ .

2. If  $x, y \in X$  then

$$-(x \odot y) \stackrel{(1)}{=} (-1) \odot (x \odot y) = ((-1) \odot x) \odot y \stackrel{(1)}{=} (-x) \odot y$$

and

$$-(x \odot y) = -(y \odot x) \stackrel{(1)}{=} (-1) \odot (y \odot x) = ((-1) \odot y) \odot x \stackrel{(1)}{=} (-y) \odot x = x \odot (-y)$$

3. If  $x, y \in X$  then we have

$$(-x) \cdot (-y) \stackrel{(2)}{=} -(x \odot (-y)) \stackrel{(2)}{=} -(-(x \odot y)) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.9}]}{=} x \odot y$$

4. We have  $(-1) \odot (-1) \stackrel{(2)}{=} 1 \odot 1 = 1$

□

**Definition 4.41.** Let  $\langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  be rings then a function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a **ring homeomorphism** iff

1.  $\forall x, y \in A$  we have  $f(x \oplus_A y) = f(x) \oplus_B f(y)$
2.  $\forall x, y \in A$  we have  $f(x \odot_A y) = f(x) \odot_B f(y)$
3.  $f(1_A) = 1_B$  where  $1_A$  is the multiplicative neutral element in  $A$  and  $1_B$  is the multiplicative neutral element in  $B$ .

**Notation 4.42.** As ring homeomorphism between  $\langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  is noted as

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle \text{ is a ring homeomorphism}$$

**Note 4.43.** Note that a ring homeomorphism  $f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  is automatically a

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B \rangle \text{ and } f: \langle A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \odot_B \rangle \text{ group homeomorphism}$$

**Theorem 4.44.** If  $\langle F, \oplus_F, \odot_F \rangle$  and  $\langle G, \oplus_G, \odot_G \rangle$  are rings,  $H \subseteq G$  a sub-ring of  $\langle G, \oplus \rangle$  and

$$f: \langle F, \oplus_F, \odot_F \rangle \rightarrow \langle H, (\oplus_G)|_{H \times H}, (\odot_G)|_{H \times H} \rangle \text{ is a ring homeomorphism}$$

then

$$f: \langle F, \oplus_F, \odot_F \rangle \rightarrow \langle G, \oplus_G, \odot_G \rangle \text{ is a ring homeomorphism}$$

**Proof.** Let  $x, y \in F$  then we have

$$f(x \oplus_F y) = f(x)(\oplus_G)|_{H \times H} f(y) = f(x) \oplus_G f(y)$$

and

$$f(x \odot_F y) = f(x)(\odot_G)|_{H \times H} f(y) = f(x) \odot_G f(y)$$

and finally as the neutral element in  $\langle H, (\oplus_G)|_{H \times H}, (\odot_G)|_{H \times H} \rangle$  is  $1_B \in B$

$$f(1_A) = 1_B$$

□

Using 4.22 we have then the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.45.** If  $\langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  are rings with additive units  $0_A, 0_B$ , multiplicative units  $1_A, 1_B$  and

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle \text{ a ring homeomorphism}$$

1.  $f(0_A) = 0_B$
2.  $\forall a \in A$  we have  $f(-a) = -f(a)$

3.  $f(A)$  is a subring of  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$

**Proof.** Be careful the same symbol will be used in the context of  $\langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$ .

1. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 0_B &= (-f(0_A)) \oplus_B f(0_A) \\
 &= (-f(0_A)) \oplus_B f(0_A \oplus_A 0_A) \\
 &= (-f(0_A)) \oplus_B (f(0_A) \oplus_B f(0_A)) \\
 &= ((-f(0_A)) \oplus_B f(0_A)) \oplus_B f(0_A) \\
 &= 0_B \oplus_B f(0_A) \\
 &= f(0_A)
 \end{aligned}$$

2. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(-x) \oplus_B f(x) &= f(x \oplus_A (-x)) \\
 &= f(0_A) \\
 &\stackrel{(1)}{=} 0_B \\
 f(x) \oplus_B f(-x) &= f(x \oplus_A (-x)) \\
 &= f(0_A) \\
 &\stackrel{(1)}{=} 0_A
 \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$f(-x) = -f(x)$$

3. Let  $x, y \in f(A)$  then  $\exists u, v \in A$  such that  $x = f(u)$  and  $y = f(v)$  then we have

$$x \oplus_B y = f(u) \oplus_B f(v) = f(u \oplus_A v) \in f(A)$$

and

$$x \odot_B y = f(u) \odot_B f(v) = f(u \odot_A v) \in f(A)$$

and

$$-x = -f(x) \stackrel{(2)}{=} f(-x) \in f(A)$$

and

$$0_B \stackrel{(1)}{=} f(0_A) \in f(A)$$

and

$$1_B = f(1_A)$$

□

**Definition 4.46.** If  $\langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  are rings then a function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a ring isomorphism if it is a bijection and

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle \text{ is a ring homeomorphism}$$

**Theorem 4.47.** If  $\langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  are rings and

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle \text{ a ring homeomorphism [or ring isomorphism]}$$

then

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B \rangle \text{ is a group homeomorphism [or group isomorphism]}$$

and

$$f: \langle A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \odot_B \rangle \text{ is a group homeomorphism [or group isomorphism]}$$

**Proof.** This follows directly from [definitions: 4.19, 4.23, 4.41 and 4.46].

□

**Theorem 4.48.** If  $\langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle$ ,  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  and  $\langle C, \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$  are rings then

1. If  $D$  is a subring of  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  and

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle D, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle \text{ and } g: \langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle \text{ are ring homeomorphisms}$$



then

$g \circ f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$  is a ring homeomorphism

and

$g(f(A))$  is a subring of  $\langle C, \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$

2. If  $D$  is a subring of  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  and

$f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle D, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  and  $g: \langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$  are ring isomorphisms

then

$g \circ f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle g(f(A)), \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$  is a ring isomorphism

or as  $g(f(A)) \xrightarrow{f: A \rightarrow D \text{ is a bijection}} g(D)$

$g \circ f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle g(f(A)), \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$  is a ring isomorphism

**Proof.**

1. Let  $x, y \in A$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (g \circ f)(x \oplus_A y) &= g(f(x \oplus_A y)) \\
 &\stackrel{f \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} g(f(x) \oplus_B f(y)) \\
 &\stackrel{g \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} g(f(x)) \oplus_C g(f(y)) \\
 &= (g \circ f)(x) \oplus_C (g \circ f)(y) \\
 (g \circ f)(x \odot_A y) &= g(f(x \odot_A y)) \\
 &\stackrel{f \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} g(f(x) \odot_B f(y)) \\
 &\stackrel{g \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} g(f(x)) \odot_C g(f(y)) \\
 &= (g \circ f)(x) \odot_C (g \circ f)(y) \\
 (g \circ f)(1_A) &= g(f(1_A)) \\
 &\stackrel{f \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} g(1_B) \\
 &\stackrel{g \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} 1_C
 \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $g \circ f$  is a ring homeomorphism. Finally using [theorem: 4.45] we have then that

$g(f(A))$  is a subring of  $\langle C, \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$

2. Using [theorem: 2.74] we have that  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow g(f(A))$  is a bijection which combined with (1) proves that  $g \circ f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle g(f(A)), \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$  is a ring isomorphism.  $\square$

**Definition 4.49.**  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot, \leq \rangle$  is a ordered ring if

1.  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a ring
2.  $\langle R, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered
3.  $\forall x, y, z \in R$  with  $x < y$  we have  $x \oplus z < y \oplus z$
4.  $\forall x, y \in R$  with  $0 < x$  and  $0 < y$  we have  $0 < x \odot y$

If in addition  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a integral domain then we say that  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot, \leq \rangle$  is a ordered integral domain.

**Theorem 4.50.** If  $\langle R, \oplus, \odot, \leq \rangle$  is a ordered ring then we have :

1.  $\forall x, y, z \in R$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow x \oplus z < y \oplus z$
2.  $\forall x, y, z \in R$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow x \oplus z \leq y \oplus z$
3.  $\forall x, y \in R$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow 0 < y \oplus (-x)$
4.  $\forall x, y \in R$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow 0 \leq y \oplus (-x)$
5.  $\forall x, y \in R$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow -y < -x$

6.  $\forall x, y \in R$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow -y \leq -x$
7.  $\forall x, y, z \in R$  with  $0 < z$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow x \odot z < y \odot z$
8.  $\forall x, y, z \in R$  with  $0 < z$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow x \odot z \leq y \odot z$
9.  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $0 \leq z$  and  $x \leq y$  we have  $x \odot z \leq y \odot z$
10.  $\forall x, y, z \in R$  with  $z < 0$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow y \odot z < x \odot z$
11.  $\forall x, y, z \in R$  with  $z < 0$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow y \odot z \leq x \odot z$
12.  $\forall x, y, z \in R$  with  $z \leq 0$  and  $x \leq y$  we have  $y \odot z \leq x \odot z$
13.  $\forall x \in R$  we have  $0 \leq x \cdot x \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} x^2$ , further if  $x \neq 0$  then  $0 < x \odot x \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} x^2$
14.  $0 \leq 1$
15.  $\forall x, y \in R$  with  $0 < x < y$  we have that  $x^2 < y^2$  where  $x^2 = x \odot x$  and  $y^2 = y \odot y$
16.  $\forall x, y \in R$  with  $0 \leq x \leq y$  we have that  $x^2 \leq y^2$  where  $x^2 = x \odot x$  and  $y^2 = y \odot y$

**Proof.**

1.

$\Rightarrow$ . This follows directly from the definition of a ordered ring.

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $x \oplus z \leq y \oplus z$  then from the definition of a ordered ring we have

$$x = x + (z \oplus (-z)) = (x \oplus z) \oplus (-z) < (y \oplus z) \oplus (-z) = y \oplus (z \oplus (-z)) = y$$

so that  $x < y$

2.

$$\begin{aligned}
 x \leq y & \Leftrightarrow x = y \vee x < y \\
 & \stackrel{(1)}{\Leftrightarrow} x = y \vee x \oplus z < y \oplus z \\
 & \stackrel{x=y \Leftrightarrow x \oplus z = y \oplus z}{\Leftrightarrow} x \oplus z = y \oplus z \vee x \oplus z < y \oplus z \\
 & \Leftrightarrow x \oplus z \leq y \oplus z
 \end{aligned}$$

3.

$$\begin{aligned}
 x < y & \stackrel{(1)}{\Leftrightarrow} x \oplus (-x) < y \oplus (-x) \\
 & \Leftrightarrow 0 < y \oplus (-x)
 \end{aligned}$$

4.

$$\begin{aligned}
 x \leq y & \stackrel{(2)}{\Leftrightarrow} x \oplus (-x) \leq y \oplus (-x) \\
 & \Leftrightarrow 0 \leq y \oplus (-x)
 \end{aligned}$$

5.

$$\begin{aligned}
 x < y & \stackrel{(3)}{\Leftrightarrow} 0 < y \oplus (-x) \\
 & \stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{\Leftrightarrow} 0 < (-x) \oplus y \\
 & \stackrel{(1)}{\Leftrightarrow} 0 + (-y) < ((-x) \oplus y) \oplus (-y) \\
 & \Leftrightarrow -y < -x
 \end{aligned}$$

6.

$$\begin{aligned}
 x \leq y & \stackrel{(4)}{\Leftrightarrow} 0 < y \oplus (-x) \\
 & \stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{\Leftrightarrow} 0 < (-x) \oplus y \\
 & \stackrel{(1)}{\Leftrightarrow} 0 + (-y) < ((-x) \oplus y) \oplus (-y) \\
 & \Leftrightarrow -y < -x
 \end{aligned}$$

7. Let  $0 < z$  then we have

$\Rightarrow$ . As  $x < y$  we have by (3) that  $0 < y \oplus (-x)$  so by the definition of a ordered field that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &< (y \oplus (-x)) \odot z \\ &\stackrel{\text{distributivity}}{=} y \odot z \oplus (-x) \odot z \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} y \odot z \oplus -(x \odot z) \end{aligned}$$

which using (3) prove that  $x \odot z < y \odot z$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . Then  $x \odot z < y \odot z$  and using the totally ordering we have for  $x, y$  either:

**$x = y$ .** Then  $x \odot z = y \odot z$  contradicting  $x \odot z < y \odot z$  so this case never occurs.

**$y < x$ .** Then by (3) we have  $0 < x \oplus (-y)$  so that by the definition of a ordered field we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &< (x \oplus (-y)) \odot z \\ &\stackrel{\text{distributivity}}{=} x \odot z \oplus (-y) \odot z \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} x \odot z \oplus -(y \odot z) \end{aligned}$$

which using (3) proves that  $y \odot z < x \odot z$  contradicting  $x \odot z < y \odot z$ . So this case does not occur.

**$x < y$ .** the remaining case.

So the only remaining case is  $x < y$

8.

$\Rightarrow$ . As  $0 < z$  and  $x \leq y$  we have for  $x, y$  either:

**$x = y$ .** Then  $x \odot z = y \odot z$  hence  $x \odot z \leq y \odot z$

**$x < y$ .** Then by (7) we have  $x \odot z < y \odot z$  hence  $x \odot z \leq y \odot z$

So in all cases we have  $x \odot z \leq y \odot z$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . Assume that  $x \odot z \leq y \odot z$ . By totally ordering we have for  $x, y$  either  $x \leq y$  or  $y < x$ .

If  $y < x$  then by (7) we have  $y \odot z < x \odot z$  contradicting  $x \odot z \leq y \odot z$  so we must have that  $x \leq y$

9. Let  $0 \leq z$  and  $x \leq y$  then we have for  $z$  either:

**$z = 0$ .** Then  $x \odot z = x \odot 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.39}]}{=} 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.39}]}{=} y \odot 0 = y \odot z$  so that  $x \odot z \leq y \odot z$

**$0 < z$ .** Then by (8) we have  $x \odot z < y \odot z$

So in all cases we have  $x \odot z \leq y \odot z$

10. As  $z < 0$  we have by (5) that  $0 < (-z)$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} x < y &\stackrel{(7)}{\Leftrightarrow} x \odot (-z) < y \odot (-z) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{\Leftrightarrow} -(x \odot z) < -(y \odot z) \\ &\stackrel{(5)}{\Leftrightarrow} y \odot z < x \odot z \end{aligned}$$

11. As  $z < 0$  we have by (5) that  $0 < (-z)$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} x \leq y &\stackrel{(8)}{\Leftrightarrow} x \odot (-z) \leq y \odot (-z) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{\Leftrightarrow} -(x \odot z) \leq -(y \odot z) \\ &\stackrel{(6)}{\Leftrightarrow} y \odot z \leq x \odot z \end{aligned}$$

12. As  $z \leq 0$  we have by (5) that  $0 \leq -z$  so that by (9) we have

$$\begin{aligned} x \leq y & \xrightarrow{(9)} x \odot (-z) \leq y \odot (-z) \\ & \xleftrightarrow{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]} -(x \odot z) \leq -(y \odot z) \\ & \xleftrightarrow{(6)} y \odot z \leq z \odot z \end{aligned}$$

13. If  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  then we have either:

$0 < x$ . Then we have by (7) that  $0 \xrightarrow{[\text{theorem: 4.39}]} 0 \odot x < x \odot x$  hence  $0 < x \odot x$

$0 = x$ . Then we have  $0 = 0 \odot 0 = x \odot x$  so that  $0 \leq x \odot x$

$x < 0$ . Then we have by (7)  $0 \xrightarrow{[\text{theorem: 4.39}]} 0 \odot (-x) \leq (-x) \odot (-x) \xrightarrow{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]} x \odot x$   
hence  $0 < x \odot x$

14. Using (13) we have  $0 \leq 1 \odot 1 = 1$

15. Let  $0 < x < y$  then by (7) we have  $x \odot x < y \odot x$  and  $x \odot y < y \odot y$  so that  $x \odot x < y \odot y$ .

16. Let  $0 \leq x < y$  then by (8) we have  $x \odot x \leq y \odot x$  and  $x \odot y \leq y \odot y$  so that  $x \odot x \leq y \odot y$ . □

### 4.3 Fields

A ring has no inverse for a multiplicative element, one of the reasons for this is that it is difficult to say what the inverse of 0 is, as expressed in the following computation

$$1 = 0 \odot 0^{-1} \xrightarrow{[\text{theorem: 4.39}]} 0$$

so that we have

$$\forall x \in R \text{ that } x = 1 \odot x = 0 \odot x \xrightarrow{[\text{theorem: 4.39}]} 0$$

and we end up with  $R = \{0\}$ , which is not a useful ring. However we can avoid this problem if we exclude the 0 of the list of elements that has a inverse element. This is the idea behind a field.

**Definition 4.51.** A triple  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a field if  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a ring and additional

$$\forall x \in F \setminus \{0\} \exists b \in F \text{ such that } x \odot b = 1 = b \odot x$$

where 1 is the neutral element for  $\odot$ . In other words  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a field iff

1.  $F$  is a set

2.  $\langle F, \oplus \rangle$  is a abelian group or  $\oplus: F \times F \rightarrow F$  is a operator such that

**associativity.**  $\forall x, y, z \in F$  we have  $x \oplus (y \oplus z) = (x \oplus y) \oplus z$

**neutral element.**  $\exists 0 \in F$  such that  $\forall x \in F$  we have  $0 \oplus x = x = x \oplus 0$

**inverse element.**  $\forall x \in F$  there exist a  $-x$  such that  $x \oplus (-x) = 0 = (-x) \oplus x$

**commutativity.**  $\forall x, y \in F$  we have  $x \oplus y = y \oplus x$

$\oplus$  is called the sum operator of the field.

3.  $\odot: F \times F \rightarrow F$  is a operator so that

**Distributivity.**  $\forall x, y, z \in F$  we have  $x \odot (y \oplus z) = (x \odot y) \oplus (x \odot z)$

**neutral element.**  $\exists 1 \in F$  such that  $\forall x \in F$  we have  $1 \odot x = x = x \odot 1$

**commutativity.**  $\forall x, y \in F$  we have  $x \odot y = y \odot x$

**associativity.**  $\forall x, y, z \in F$  we have  $x \odot (y \odot z) = (x \odot y) \odot z$

**inverse element.**  $\forall x \in F \setminus \{0\} \exists b \in F$  such that  $x \odot b = 1 = b \odot x$

$\odot$  is called the multiplication operator of the field.

The inverse if it exist is unique

**Theorem 4.52.** If  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is field then  $\forall x \in F \setminus \{0\}$  there exist a **unique** inverse element for  $\odot$ . We note this element as  $x^{-1}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x \in F \setminus \{0\}$  and assume that  $y, y' \in F$  such that  $y \odot x = 1 = x \odot y$  and  $y' \odot x = 1 = x \odot y'$  then we have

$$y = y \odot 1 = y \odot (x \odot y') = (y \odot x) \odot y' = 1 \odot y' = y' \quad \square$$

**Theorem 4.53.** If  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is field then  $\forall x \in F \setminus \{0\}$  we have  $(x^{-1})^{-1} = x$

**Proof.** First if  $x^{-1} = 0$  then  $x = x \odot 1 = x \odot (x \odot x^{-1}) = (x \odot x) \odot x^{-1} = (x \odot x) \odot 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.39}]}{=} 0$  contradicting  $x \in F \setminus \{0\}$ . So we must have that  $x^{-1} \neq 0$  hence  $(x^{-1})^{-1}$  is defined. Further

$$\begin{aligned} 1 = x^{-1} \odot (x^{-1})^{-1} &\Rightarrow x \odot 1 = x \odot (x^{-1} \odot (x^{-1})^{-1}) \\ &\stackrel{\text{neutral element}}{\Rightarrow} x = x \odot (x^{-1} \odot (x^{-1})^{-1}) \\ &\stackrel{\text{associativity}}{\Rightarrow} x = (x \odot x^{-1}) \odot (x^{-1})^{-1} \\ &\stackrel{\text{inverse element}}{\Rightarrow} x = 1 \odot (x^{-1})^{-1} \\ &\stackrel{\text{neutral element}}{\Rightarrow} x = (x^{-1})^{-1} \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 4.54.** If  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a field then  $\forall x, y \in F \setminus \{0\}$  we have  $x^{-1} = y^{-1} \Leftrightarrow x = y$

**Proof.** We have

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $x = y$  then trivially  $x^{-1} = y^{-1}$

$\Leftarrow$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} x^{-1} = y^{-1} &\Rightarrow x^{-1} \odot y = y^{-1} \odot y \\ &\stackrel{\text{inverse element}}{\Rightarrow} x^{-1} \odot y = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow x \odot (x^{-1} \odot y) = x \odot 1 \\ &\stackrel{\text{neutral element}}{\Rightarrow} x \odot (x^{-1} \odot y) = x \\ &\stackrel{\text{associativity}}{\Rightarrow} (x \odot x^{-1}) \odot y = x \\ &\stackrel{\text{inverse element}}{\Rightarrow} 1 \odot y = x \\ &\stackrel{\text{neutral element}}{\Rightarrow} y = x \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 4.55.** If  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a field then  $\forall x, y \in F$  we have  $(x \odot y)^{-1} = x^{-1} \odot y^{-1}$

**Proof.**

$$\begin{aligned} (x^{-1} \odot y^{-1}) \odot (x \odot y) &\stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} (x \odot y) \odot (x^{-1} \odot y^{-1}) \\ &\stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} (x \odot y) \odot (y^{-1} \odot x^{-1}) \\ &\stackrel{\text{associativity}}{=} ((x \odot y) \odot y^{-1}) \odot x^{-1} \\ &\stackrel{\text{associativity}}{=} (x \odot (y \odot y^{-1})) \odot x^{-1} \\ &\stackrel{\text{inverse element}}{=} (x \odot 1) \odot x^{-1} \\ &\stackrel{\text{neutral element}}{=} x \odot x^{-1} \\ &\stackrel{\text{ubverse element}}{=} 1 \end{aligned}$$

proving by the uniqueness of the inverse [theorem: 4.52] that

$$(x \odot y)^{-1} = x^{-1} \odot y^{-1}$$

□

**Theorem 4.56.** *Let  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  be a field and  $x, y \in F$  and  $z \in F \setminus \{0\}$  then  $x = y \Leftrightarrow x \odot z = y \odot z$*

**Proof.** As  $z \neq 0$  we have that  $z^{-1}$  exist.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $x = y$  then clearly  $x \odot z = y \odot z$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $x \odot z \oplus y \odot z$  then

$$x = x \odot 1 = x \odot (z \odot z^{-1}) = (x \odot z) \odot z^{-1} \underset{x \odot z = y \odot z}{=} (y \odot z) \odot z^{-1} = y \odot (z \odot z^{-1}) = y \odot 1 = y \quad \square$$

**Theorem 4.57.** *If  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a field and  $x, y \in F$  then  $x \odot y = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0 \vee y = 0$*

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $x \odot y = 0$  then for  $x$  we have either

$x = 0$ . Then clearly  $0 \vee y = 0$  is true.

$x \neq 0$ . Then  $0 = x^{-1} \odot 0 = x^{-1} \odot (x \odot y) = (x^{-1} \odot x) \odot y = 1 \odot y = y$  so that  $y = 0$  or  $x = 0 \vee y = 0$  is true.

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $x = 0$  or  $y = 0$  we have by [theorem: 4.39] and the fact that a field is a ring that  $x \odot y = 0$  □

**Corollary 4.58.** *If  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a field then  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a integral domain*

**Proof.** From the definition of a field [definition: 4.51] it follows that  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a ring. Assume that  $x \in F$  is a zero divisor [see 4.33 then  $x \neq 0$  and  $\exists y \in F \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $x \cdot y = 0$ . However by [theorem: 4.57] we have  $x = 0 \vee y = 0$  contradicting  $x \neq 0 \neq y$ . So  $F$  does not have zero divisors proving that  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a integral domain. □

**Definition 4.59.** *If  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a field then a subset  $S \subseteq F$  is a subfield iff the following is satisfied*

1.  $\forall x, y \in F$  we have  $x \oplus y \in F$  and  $x \odot y \in F$
2.  $\forall x \in F$  we have  $-x \in F$  [the inverse element for  $\oplus$ ]
3.  $1 \in F$  [the neutral element for  $\odot$ ]
4.  $0 \in F$  [the neutral element for  $\oplus$ ]
5.  $\forall x \in F \setminus \{0\}$  we have  $x^{-1} \in F$

**Theorem 4.60.** *If  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a field  $G \subseteq F$  a sub ring of  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  then*

$G$  is a subring of  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$ ,  $G$  is a sub group of  $\langle F, \oplus \rangle$  and  $G$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle F, \odot \rangle$

**Proof.** This follows directly from [definitions: 4.35, 4.59] and [theorem: 4.36]. □

**Theorem 4.61.** *If  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a field and  $S \subseteq F$  is a subfield then  $\langle S, \oplus|_{S \times S}, \odot|_{S \times S} \rangle$  is a field the same additive and multiplicative neutral element as  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$ . Further if  $x \in S$  then the additive inverse element in  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is alsoe the inverse in  $\langle S, \oplus|_{S \times S}, \odot|_{S \times S} \rangle$  and if  $x \in S \setminus \{0\}$  then the multiplicative inverse element in  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is also the multiplicative element in  $\langle S, \oplus|_{S \times S}, \odot|_{S \times S} \rangle$ .*

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 4.37] it follows that  $\langle S, \oplus|_{S \times S}, \odot|_{S \times S} \rangle$  is a ring. Further if  $x \in F \setminus \{0\}$  then  $1 \in S$  and  $x^{-1} \in S$ , further  $x \odot|_S x^{-1} = x \odot x^{-1} = 1 = x^{-1} \odot x = x^{-1} \odot|_S x$  proving that  $\langle S, \oplus|_{S \times S}, \odot|_{S \times S} \rangle$  is a field. □

**Theorem 4.62.** *Let  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  be a field  $G \subseteq F$  a subfield of  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  and  $H \subseteq G$  a subfield of  $\langle G, \oplus|_{G \times G}, \odot|_{G \times G} \rangle$  then  $H$  is a subfield of  $\langle G, \odot \rangle$*

**Proof.**

1.  $\forall x, y \in H \subseteq G$  we have  $x \oplus_{|G \times G} y \in H$  which as  $(x, y) \in G \times G$  proves that

$$x \oplus y = x \oplus_{|G \times G} G \in H$$

and  $x \odot_{|G \times G} y \in H$  which as  $(x, y) \in G \times G$  proves that

$$x \odot y = x \odot_{|G \times G} y \in H$$

2. If 0 is the additive neutral element of  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  then by [theorem: 4.61] 0 is also the additive neutral element of  $\langle G, \oplus_{|G \times G}, \odot_{|G \times G} \rangle$  hence  $0 \in H$ .
3. If 1 is the multiplicative neutral element of  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  then by [theorem: 4.61] 1 is also the multiplicative neutral element of  $\langle G, \oplus_{|G \times G}, \odot_{|G \times G} \rangle$  hence  $1 \in H$ .
4. If  $x \in H$  then by [theorem: 4.61] its additive inverse element  $-x$  is also the additive inverse element in  $\langle G, \oplus_{|G \times G}, \odot_{|G \times G} \rangle$  hence  $x^{-1} \in H$ .
5. If  $x \in H \setminus \{0\}$  then by [theorem: 4.61] its multiplicative inverse element  $x^{-1}$  is also the multiplicative inverse element in  $\langle G, \oplus_{|G \times G}, \odot_{|G \times G} \rangle$  hence  $x^{-1} \in H$ .  $\square$

**Definition 4.63.** If  $\langle A, \odot_A, \oplus_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \odot_B, \oplus_B \rangle$  are fields with multiplicative units  $1_A, 1_B$  then a function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a field homeomorphism iff

1.  $\forall x, y \in A$  we have  $f(x \odot_A y) = f(x) \odot_B f(y)$
2.  $\forall x, y \in A$  we have  $f(x \oplus_A y) = f(x) \oplus_B f(y)$
3.  $f(1_A) = 1_B$

**Notation 4.64.** A field homeomorphism between  $\langle A, \odot_A, \oplus_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \odot_B, \oplus_B \rangle$  is noted as

$$f: \langle A, \odot_A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \odot_B, \oplus_B \rangle \text{ is a field homeomorphism}$$

**Note 4.65.** If  $\langle A, \odot_A, \oplus_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \odot_B, \oplus_B \rangle$  are fields and

$$f: \langle A, \odot_A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \odot_B, \oplus_B \rangle \text{ a field homeomorphism}$$

then

$$f: \langle A, \odot_A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \odot_B, \oplus_B \rangle \text{ is a ring homeomorphism}$$

and

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B \rangle \text{ and } f: \langle A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \odot_B \rangle \text{ are group homeomorphisms}$$

**Proof.** As a field is also a ring [see definitions: 4.32 and 4.51] we have by [definitions: 4.41 and 4.63] that

$$f: \langle A, \odot_A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \odot_B, \oplus_B \rangle \text{ is a ring homeomorphism}$$

Finally using [note: 4.43] we have that

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B \rangle \text{ and } f: \langle A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \odot_B \rangle \text{ are group homeomorphisms} \quad \square$$

**Definition 4.66.** Let  $\langle A, \odot_A, \oplus_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \odot_B, \oplus_B \rangle$  be fields then a field homeomorphism

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B \rangle \text{ and } f: \langle A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \odot_B \rangle$$

is a field isomorphism if it is also a bijection.

**Theorem 4.67.** If  $\langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  are rings and

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle \text{ a field homeomorphism [or field isomorphism]}$$

then

$$f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle \text{ a ring homeomorphism [or ring isomorphism]}$$

and

$f: \langle A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B \rangle$  is a group homeomorphism [or group isomorphism]

and

$f: \langle A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \odot_B \rangle$  is a group homeomorphism [or group isomorphism]

**Proof.** This follows directly from [definitions: 4.41, 4.46, 4.63 and 4.66] and [theorem: 4.47]  $\square$

**Theorem 4.68.** If  $\langle F, \odot_F, \oplus_F \rangle$  and  $\langle G, \oplus_G, \odot_G \rangle$  are fields,  $H \subseteq G$  a sub-field of  $\langle G, \oplus \rangle$  and

$f: \langle F, \oplus_F, \odot_F \rangle \rightarrow \langle H, (\oplus_G)|_{H \times H}, (\odot_G)|_{H \times H} \rangle$  is a field homeomorphism

then

$f: \langle F, \oplus_F, \odot_F \rangle \rightarrow \langle G, \oplus_G, \odot_G \rangle$  is a field homeomorphism

**Proof.** Let  $x, y \in F$  then we have

$$f(x \oplus_F y) = f(x)(\oplus_G)|_{H \times H} f(y) = f(x) \oplus_G f(y)$$

and

$$f(x \odot_F y) = f(x)(\odot_G)|_{H \times H} f(y) = f(x) \odot_G f(y)$$

and finally as the neutral element in  $\langle H, (\oplus_G)|_{H \times H}, (\odot_G)|_{H \times H} \rangle$  is  $1_B \in B$

$$f(1_A) = 1_B \quad \square$$

**Theorem 4.69.** If  $\langle A, \odot_A, \oplus_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \odot_B, \oplus_B \rangle$  are fields with multiplicative units  $1_A, 1_B$  and

$f: \langle A, \oplus_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B \rangle$  and  $f: \langle A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \odot_B \rangle$  is a field isomorphism

then

$f^{-1}: \langle B, \odot_B \rangle \rightarrow \langle A, \odot_A \rangle$  is a field isomorphism

**Proof.** First using [theorem: 2.71] we have that  $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$  is a bijection. Further we have:

1. Take  $x, y \in B$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(x \oplus_B y) &= f^{-1}(\text{Id}_B(x) \oplus_B \text{Id}_B(y)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.68}]}{=} f^{-1}((f \circ f^{-1})(x) \oplus_B (f \circ f^{-1})(y)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.42}]}{=} f^{-1}(f(f^{-1}(x)) \oplus_B f(f^{-1}(y))) \\ &\stackrel{f \text{ is homeomorphism}}{=} f^{-1}(f(f^{-1}(x) \oplus_A f^{-1}(y))) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.42}]}{=} (f^{-1} \circ f)(f^{-1}(x) \oplus_A f^{-1}(y)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.68}]}{=} \text{Id}_A(f^{-1}(x) \oplus_A f^{-1}(y)) \\ &= f^{-1}(x) \oplus_A f^{-1}(y) \end{aligned}$$

2. Take  $x, y \in B$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(x \odot_B y) &= f^{-1}(\text{Id}_B(x) \odot_B \text{Id}_B(y)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.68}]}{=} f^{-1}((f \circ f^{-1})(x) \odot_B (f \circ f^{-1})(y)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.42}]}{=} f^{-1}(f(f^{-1}(x)) \odot_B f(f^{-1}(y))) \\ &\stackrel{f \text{ is homeomorphism}}{=} f^{-1}(f(f^{-1}(x) \odot_A f^{-1}(y))) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.42}]}{=} (f^{-1} \circ f)(f^{-1}(x) \odot_A f^{-1}(y)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 2.68}]}{=} \text{Id}_A(f^{-1}(x) \odot_A f^{-1}(y)) \\ &= f^{-1}(x) \odot_A f^{-1}(y) \end{aligned}$$



3. From  $f(1_A) = 1_B$  it follows that

$$f^{-1}(1_B) = f^{-1}(f(1_B)) = (f^{-1} \circ f)(1_B) \underset{[\text{theorem: 2.68}]}{=} \text{Id}_A(1_B) = 1_B \quad \square$$

**Theorem 4.70.** *If  $\langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  are fields with additive units  $0_A, 0_B$  and multiplicative units  $1_A, 1_B$  and  $f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  a field homeomorphism then we have*

1.  $f(0_A) = 0_B$
2.  $\forall a \in A$  we have  $f(-a) = -f(a)$
3.  $\forall a \in A$  with  $a \neq 0_A$  we have  $f(a^{-1}) = (f(a))^{-1}$
4.  $f(A)$  is a subfield of  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$

**Proof.**

1. We have

$$\begin{aligned} 0_B &= (-f(0_A)) \oplus_B f(0_A) \\ &= (-f(0_A)) \oplus_B f(0_A \oplus_A 0_A) \\ &= (-f(0_A)) \oplus_B (f(0_A) \oplus_B f(0_A)) \\ &= ((-f(0_A)) \oplus_B f(0_A)) \oplus_B f(0_A) \\ &= 0_B \oplus f(0_A) \\ &= f(0_A) \end{aligned}$$

2. We have

$$\begin{aligned} f(-x) \oplus_B f(x) &= f((-x) \oplus_A x) \\ &= f(0_A) \\ &\underset{(1)}{=} 0_B \\ f(x) \oplus_B f(-x) &= f(x \oplus_A (-x)) \\ &= f(0_A) \\ &\underset{(1)}{=} 0_A \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$f(-x) = -f(x)$$

3. If  $a \in A$  with  $a \neq 0_A$  then

$$\begin{aligned} f(a^{-1}) \odot_B f(a) &= f(a^{-1} \odot_A a) \\ &= f(1_A) \\ &= 1_B \\ f(a) \odot_B f(a^{-1}) &= f(a \odot_A a^{-1}) \\ &= f(1_A) \\ &= 1_B \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$f(x^{-1}) = f(x)^{-1}$$

4. Let  $x, y \in f(A)$  then  $\exists u, v \in A$  such that  $x = f(u)$  and  $y = f(v)$  so we have

$$x \oplus_B y = f(u) \oplus_B f(v) = f(u \oplus_A v) \in f(A)$$

and

$$x \odot_B y = f(u) \odot_B f(v) = f(u \odot_A v) \in f(A)$$

and

$$-x = -f(x) \underset{(2)}{=} f(-x) \in f(A)$$

and if  $x \neq 0_B$  then

$$x^{-1} = f(u)^{-1} \stackrel{(3)}{=} f(u^{-1}) \in f(A)$$

and

$$0_B \stackrel{(1)}{=} f(0_A) \in f(A)$$

and by definition of a field homeomorphism

$$1_B = f(1_A)$$

□

**Theorem 4.71.** *If  $\langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle$ ,  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  and  $\langle C, \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$  are fields then*

1. *If  $D \subseteq B$  is a subfield of  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  and*

*$f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle D, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  and  $g: \langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$  are field homeomorphisms then*

*$g \circ f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$  is a field homeomorphism*

*and*

*$g(f(A))$  is a subfield of  $\langle C, \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$*

2. *If  $D \subseteq B$  is a subfield of  $\langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  and*

*$f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle$  and  $g: \langle B, \oplus_B, \odot_B \rangle \rightarrow \langle C, \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$  are field isomorphisms then*

*$g \circ f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle g(f(A)), \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$  is a field isomorphism*

*or as  $g(f(A)) \stackrel{f: A \rightarrow D \text{ is a bijection}}{=} g(D)$*

*$g \circ f: \langle A, \oplus_A, \odot_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle g(D), \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$  is a field isomorphism*

**Proof.**

1. Let  $x, y \in A$  then

$$\begin{aligned} (g \circ f)(x \oplus_A y) &= g(f(x \oplus_A y)) \\ &\stackrel{f \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} g(f(x) \oplus_B f(y)) \\ &\stackrel{g \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} g(f(x)) \oplus_C g(f(y)) \\ &= (g \circ f)(x) \oplus_C (g \circ f)(y) \\ (g \circ f)(x \odot_A y) &= g(f(x \odot_A y)) \\ &\stackrel{f \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} g(f(x) \odot_B f(y)) \\ &\stackrel{g \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} g(f(x)) \odot_C g(f(y)) \\ &= (g \circ f)(x) \odot_C (g \circ f)(y) \\ (g \circ f)(1_A) &= g(f(1_A)) \\ &\stackrel{f \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} g(1_B) \\ &\stackrel{g \text{ is a homeomorphism}}{=} 1_C \end{aligned}$$

Finally using [theorem: 4.70] we have then that

$g(f(A))$  is a subfield of  $\langle C, \oplus_C, \odot_C \rangle$

2. Using [theorem: 2.74] we have that  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow g(f(A))$  is a bijection which combined with (1) proves that  $g \circ f$  is a field isomorphism. □

**Definition 4.72.**  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot, \leq \rangle$  is a ordered field if

1.  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot \rangle$  is a field

2.  $\langle F, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered
3.  $\forall x, y, z \in F$  with  $x \leq y$  we have  $x + z \leq y + z$
4.  $\forall x, y \in F$  with  $0 < x$  and  $0 < y$  we have  $0 < x \odot y$

**Theorem 4.73.** If  $\langle F, \oplus, \odot, \leq \rangle$  is a ordered ring then we have :

1.  $\forall x, y, z \in F$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow x \oplus z < y \oplus z$
2.  $\forall x, y, z \in F$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow x \oplus z \leq y \oplus z$
3.  $\forall x, y \in F$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow 0 < y \oplus (-x)$
4.  $\forall x, y \in F$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow 0 \leq y \oplus (-x)$
5.  $\forall x, y \in F$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow -y < -x$
6.  $\forall x, y \in F$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow -y \leq -x$
7.  $\forall x, y, z \in F$  with  $0 < z$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow x \odot z < y \odot z$
8.  $\forall x, y, z \in F$  with  $0 < z$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow x \odot z \leq y \odot z$
9.  $\forall x, y, z \in F$  with  $0 \leq z$  and  $x \leq y$  we have  $x \odot z \leq y \odot z$
10.  $\forall x, y, z \in F$  with  $z < 0$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow y \odot z < x \odot z$
11.  $\forall x, y, z \in F$  with  $z < 0$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow y \odot z \leq x \odot z$
12.  $\forall x, y, z \in F$  with  $z \leq 0$  and  $x \leq y$  we have  $y \odot z \leq x \odot z$
13.  $\forall x \in F$  we have  $0 \leq x \cdot x \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} x^2$ , further if  $0 \neq x$  then  $0 < x \odot x \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} x^2$
14.  $0 \leq 1$
15.  $\forall x, y \in F$  with  $0 < x < y$  we have that  $x^2 < y^2$  where  $x^2 = x \odot x$  and  $y^2 = y \odot y$
16.  $\forall x, y \in F$  with  $0 \leq x \leq y$  we have that  $x^2 \leq y^2$  where  $x^2 = x \odot x$  and  $y^2 = y \odot y$
17.  $\forall x \in F$  with  $0 < x$  we have  $0 < x^{-1}$
18.  $\forall x, y \in F$  we have  $0 < x < y \Leftrightarrow 0 < y^{-1} < x^{-1}$
19.  $\forall x, y \in F$  we have  $0 < x \leq y \Leftrightarrow 0 < y^{-1} \leq x^{-1}$
20.  $\forall x \in F$  with  $0 < x < 1$  we have  $1 < x^{-1}$
21.  $\forall x \in F$  with  $0 < x \leq 1$  we have  $1 \leq x^{-1}$

**Proof.** Using [definitions: 4.49, 4.72] and the fact that a field is automatical a ring we have that (1 – 14) forllows from [theorem: 4.50] so that we only have to proof (15-17). So

1. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (1)].
2. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (2)].
3. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (3)].
4. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (4)].
5. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (5)].
6. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (6)].
7. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (7)].
8. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (8)].
9. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (9)].
10. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (10)].
11. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (11)].
12. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (12)].
13. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (13)].

14. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (14)].

15. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (15)].

16. This follows from [theorem: 4.50 (16)].

17. Let  $x \in R$  with  $0 < x$ . By the totally ordering we have for  $x^{-1}$ :

$x^{-1} = \mathbf{0}$ . Then  $1 = x^{-1} \odot x = 0 \odot x \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.39}]}{=} 0$  so that  $x = x \odot 1 = x \odot 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.39}]}{=} 0$  contradicting  $0 < x$ . So this case does not occur.

$x^{-1} < \mathbf{0}$ . Then by (7) we have that  $1 = x^{-1} \odot x < 0 \odot x \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.39}]}{=} 0$  so that  $1 < 0$  contradicting  $0 \leq 1$ , so this case will never occur.

$\mathbf{0} < x^{-1}$ . This is the remaining case proving (15).

18.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $0 < x < y$  then by (15) we have that  $0 < x^{-1}$  and  $0 < y^{-1}$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} x < y &\stackrel{(7)}{\Rightarrow} x \odot x^{-1} < y \odot x^{-1} \\ &\Rightarrow 1 < y \odot x^{-1} \\ &\Rightarrow 1 < x^{-1} \odot y \\ &\stackrel{(7)}{\Rightarrow} 1 \odot y^{-1} < (x^{-1} \odot y) \odot y^{-1} \\ &\Rightarrow y^{-1} < x^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $0 < y^{-1} < x^{-1}$  then by (15) we have  $0 < (x^{-1})^{-1}$  and  $0 < (y^{-1})^{-1}$  which using [theorem: 4.53] proves that  $0 < x$  and  $0 < y$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} y^{-1} < x^{-1} &\stackrel{(7)}{\Rightarrow} y^{-1} \odot x < x^{-1} \odot x \\ &\Rightarrow y^{-1} \odot x < 1 \\ &\Rightarrow x \odot y^{-1} < 1 \\ &\stackrel{(7)}{\Rightarrow} (x \odot y^{-1}) \odot y < 1 \odot y \\ &\Rightarrow x < y \end{aligned}$$

19.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $0 < x \leq y$  then by (15) we have that  $0 < x^{-1}$  and  $0 < y^{-1}$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} x \leq y &\stackrel{(7)}{\Rightarrow} x \odot x^{-1} \leq y \odot x^{-1} \\ &\Rightarrow 1 \leq y \odot x^{-1} \\ &\Rightarrow 1 \leq x^{-1} \odot y \\ &\stackrel{(7)}{\Rightarrow} 1 \odot y^{-1} \leq (x^{-1} \odot y) \odot y^{-1} \\ &\Rightarrow y^{-1} \leq x^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $0 < y^{-1} \leq x^{-1}$  then by (15) we have  $0 < (x^{-1})^{-1}$  and  $0 < (y^{-1})^{-1}$  which using [theorem: 4.53] proves that  $0 < x$  and  $0 < y$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} y^{-1} \leq x^{-1} &\stackrel{(7)}{\Rightarrow} y^{-1} \odot x \leq x^{-1} \odot x \\ &\Rightarrow y^{-1} \odot x \leq 1 \\ &\Rightarrow x \odot y^{-1} \leq 1 \\ &\stackrel{(7)}{\Rightarrow} (x \odot y^{-1}) \odot y \leq 1 \odot y \\ &\Rightarrow x \leq y \end{aligned}$$

20. As  $0 < x < 1$  we have by (16) that  $0 < 1^{-1} < x^{-1}$  hence  $1 < x^{-1}$ .

21. As  $0 < x \leq 1$  we have by (16) that  $0 < 1^{-1} \leq x^{-1}$  hence  $1 \leq x^{-1}$ .

□

# Chapter 5

## Natural Numbers

### 5.1 Definition of the Natural Numbers

We are now ready to define the first set of numbers namely the natural numbers which forms the basic of the other number systems but also of the important concepts of finite, infinite sets, countable sets, recursion and mathematical induction. To define the set of natural numbers recall the following definitions and axiom.

**Definition 5.1. (Successor Set)** *A set  $A$  is a **successor set** iff*

1.  $\emptyset \in A$
2. If  $X \in A \Rightarrow X \cup \{X\} \in A$

[see definition: 1.51]

**Axiom 5.2. (Axiom of Infinity)** *There exists a successor set [see axiom: 1.52].*

**Definition 5.3. (Natural numbers)** *The set of **natural numbers**  $\mathbb{N}_0$  is defined by*

$$\mathbb{N}_0 = \bigcap \{S \mid S \text{ is a successor set}\}$$

**Theorem 5.4.**  $\mathbb{N}_0$  is a set

**Proof.** By the axiom of infinity it follows that  $\{S \mid S \text{ is a successor set}\} \neq \emptyset$  so that by [theorem: 1.60 (5)]  $\bigcap \{S \mid S \text{ is a successor set}\}$  is a set.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.5.** *If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n \cup \{n\} \in \mathbb{N}_0$*

**Proof.** If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then for  $\forall A \in \{S \mid S \text{ is a successor set}\}$  we have  $n \in A$  so that by definition of a successor set we have  $n \cup \{n\} \in A$  so that  $n \cup \{n\} \in \bigcap \{S \mid S \text{ is a successor set}\} = \mathbb{N}_0$ .  $\square$

The above theorem allows us to define the successor function

**Definition 5.6. (Successor Function)** *The function defined by*

$$s: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ where } s(n) = n \cup \{n\}$$

*is called the **successor function**.*

The set  $\mathbb{N}_0$  is not empty as is shown in the next theorem.

**Theorem 5.7.**  $\emptyset \in \mathbb{N}_0$

**Proof.** If  $A$  is a successor set then by definition  $\emptyset \in A$  so that  $\emptyset \in \bigcap \{A \mid A \text{ is a successor set}\}$   $\square$

Further using the successor function we have that  $s(\emptyset)$ ,  $s(s(\emptyset))$  etc. are all elements of  $\mathbb{N}_0$ . we introduce a special notation for this elements that corresponds with the notation used for counting.

**Notation 5.8.** We define the numbers  $0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$  as follows

1.  $0 = \emptyset$
2.  $1 = s(0) = s(\emptyset) = \emptyset \cup \{\emptyset\} = \{\emptyset\} = \{0\}$
3.  $2 = s(1) = s(\emptyset) \cup \{s(\emptyset)\} = \{\emptyset\} \cup \{\{\emptyset\}\} = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} = \{0, 1\}$
4.  $3 = s(2) = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} \cup \{\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\} = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\} = \{0, 1, 2\}$
5.  $\dots$

The notation  $\mathbb{N}_0$  may seem a little bit strange, the fact is that many mathematicians don't consider 0 a natural number. To express that  $0 \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we add the 0 subscript. If we want to indicate that  $0 \notin \mathbb{N}_0$  we use the following definition.

**Definition 5.9.**  $\mathbb{N} = \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$

**Theorem 5.10.** If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $s(n) \neq 0$

**Proof.** By definition we have  $s(n) = n \cup \{n\}$  so that  $n \in s(n)$  proving that  $s(n) \neq \emptyset = 0$  □

We introduce now the very important principle of **Mathematical Induction**.

**Theorem 5.11. (Mathematical Induction)** If  $X \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$  such that

1.  $0 \in X$
2. If  $n \in X$  then  $s(n) \in X$

then  $X = \mathbb{N}_0$

**Proof.** By (1), (2) it follows that  $X$  is a successor set so that  $X \in \{A \mid A \text{ is a successor set}\}$  hence by [theorem: 1.60]  $\mathbb{N}_0 = \bigcap \{A \mid A \text{ is a successor set}\} \subseteq X$ , which together with  $X \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  proves that  $X = \mathbb{N}$ . □

**Theorem 5.12.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then if  $m \in s(n)$  we have  $m \in n \vee m = n$

**Proof.** If  $m \in s(n) = n \cup \{n\}$  then we have either  $m \in n$  or  $m \in \{n\} \Rightarrow m = n$  □

**Definition 5.13.** A set  $A$  is **transitive** if  $\forall x \in A$  we have  $x \subseteq A$ .

As a application of mathematical induction we prove that every natural number is transitive, this fact will be used later, when we define a order relation on  $\mathbb{N}_0$  to prove transitivity, hence the name for this property.

**Theorem 5.14.**  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have that  $n$  is transitive [in other words  $\forall x \in n$  we have  $x \subseteq n$ ]

**Proof.** We prove this by mathematical induction, let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid n \text{ is transitive}\}$  then clearly  $S \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$ . Further we have

$0 \in S$ . Because  $\forall x \in \emptyset \vdash x \subseteq \emptyset$  is satisfied vacuously.

$n \in S \Rightarrow s(n) \in S$ . If  $n \in S$  then we have for  $m \in s(n)$  by the previous theorem [theorem: 5.12] the following cases:

$m \in n$ . Then as  $n \in S$ ,  $n$  is transitive so that  $m \subseteq n \subseteq n \cup \{n\} = s(n)$

$m = n$ . Then  $m = n \subseteq n \cup \{n\} = s(n)$

So  $\forall m \in s(n)$  we have  $m \subseteq s(n)$  which proves that  $s(n)$  is transitive, hence  $s(n) \in S$

Using mathematical induction [see theorem: 5.11] it follows then that  $S = \mathbb{N}_0$ . So if  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n \in S$  or  $n$  is transitive. □

Another application of transitivity and mathematical induction is the following theorem.

**Theorem 5.15.** *If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n \neq s(n)$*

**Proof.** Let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 | n \neq s(n)\}$  then we have

$0 \in S$ . By [theorem: 5.10]  $0 \neq s(0)$ .

$n \in S \Rightarrow s(n) \in S$ . Assume that  $s(s(n)) = s(n)$ . As  $s(s(n)) = s(n) \cup \{s(n)\}$  we have that  $s(n) \in s(s(n)) = s(n)$ , so  $s(n) \in n \cup \{n\}$ . As  $n \in S$  we have that  $n \neq s(n)$  so we must have that  $s(n) \in n$ . As by [theorem: 5.14]  $s(n)$  is transitive it follows that  $s(n) \subseteq n$ , further we have that  $n \subseteq n \cup \{n\} = s(n)$ . So we conclude that  $n = s(n)$  proving  $n \notin S$  which contradicts  $n \in S$ . So we must have that  $s(s(n)) \neq s(n)$  proving that  $s(n) \in S$ .

Using mathematical induction it follows then that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S$  so if  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n \in S$  and thus  $n \neq s(n)$ .  $\square$

The next theorem shows that the successor function is a injection.

**Theorem 5.16.** *If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  is such that  $s(n) = s(m)$  then  $n = m$ . In other words*

*$s: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$  is injective*

**Proof.** As  $n \in n \cup \{n\} = s(n) = s(m)$  and  $m \in m \cup \{m\} = s(m) = s(n)$  we have that  $n \in s(m) \wedge m \in s(n)$ . Using [theorem: 5.12] this becomes

$$(n \in m \vee n = m) \wedge (m \in n \vee n = m) \Rightarrow (n \in m \wedge m \in n) \vee n = m$$

If  $n = m$  we are done. So we must look at the case that  $m \in n \wedge n \in m$ . By transitivity [theorem: 5.14] we have then  $n \subseteq m$  and  $m \subseteq n$  proving that  $n = m$ .  $\square$

The above theorems are part of what is in number theory the Peano Axioms.

**Theorem 5.17. (Peano Axioms)**  $\mathbb{N}_0$  satisfies the following so called Peano Axioms

1.  $0 \in \mathbb{N}_0$
2. If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $s(n) \in \mathbb{N}_0$
3.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have that  $s(n) \neq 0$
4. If  $X \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$  is such that
  - a.  $0 \in X$
  - b.  $n \in X \Rightarrow s(n) \in X$
 then  $X = \mathbb{N}_0$
5. If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  is such that  $s(n) = s(m)$  then  $n = m$

**Proof.**

1. See [theorem: 5.7]
2. See [definition: 5.6]
3. See [theorem: 5.10]
4. See [theorem: 5.11]
5. See [theorem: 5.16]  $\square$

**Theorem 5.18.** *If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \wedge n \neq 0$  then  $\exists! m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n = s(m)$*

**Proof.** We use mathematical induction to prove this. So let

$$S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 | (n = 0) \vee (\exists! m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ such that } n = s(m))\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$$

then we have:

$0 \in S$ . As  $0 = 0$  we have that  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S \Rightarrow s(n) \in S$ . Consider  $s(n)$  then by [theorem: 5.10]  $s(n) \neq 0$ , further we have that  $m = n$  satisfies  $s(n) = s(m)$  proving the existence part. Assume that there is another  $m' \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $s(n) = s(m')$ , then by [theorem: 5.16] we have  $n = m'$ , proving uniqueness. So  $s(n) \in S$ .

Mathematical induction [see: 5.11] proves then that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S$ . So if  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $n \neq 0$  we have as  $n \in S$  that  $\exists! m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n = s(m)$ .  $\square$

## 5.2 Recursion

Recursion will be used to essentially define things in terms of itself. It is the mathematical equivalent of iteration in many programming languages. Actually, functional languages that are mathematical oriented, like Haskell, have no iteration and loop constructs at all and rely fully on recursion. Recursion is based on the definition of a recursive function that takes the role of iterating. The following theorem ensures the existence of such a function.

**Theorem 5.19. (Recursion)** *Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  and  $f: A \rightarrow A$  a function then there exists a **unique** function*

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$$

such that

1.  $\lambda(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $\lambda(s(n)) = f(\lambda(n))$

**Proof.** Define

$$\mathcal{G} = \{G \mid G \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \text{ such that } (0, a) \in G \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ that } (n, x) \in G \Rightarrow (s(n), f(x)) \in G\}$$

Define  $G = \mathbb{N}_0 \times A$  then as  $0 \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $a \in A$  we have  $(0, a) \in \mathbb{N}_0 \times A$ . Further if  $(n, x) \in \mathbb{N}_0 \times A$  then  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $x \in A$  so that  $s(n) \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $f(x) \in A$ , hence  $(s(n), f(x)) \in \mathbb{N}_0 \times A$ . So

$$\mathbb{N}_0 \times A \in \mathcal{G} \tag{5.1}$$

We prove now that

$$\text{If } \lambda = \bigcap \mathcal{G} \text{ then } \lambda \in \mathcal{G}, \lambda \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \text{ and } (0, a) \in \lambda \tag{5.2}$$

**Proof.**

1. By [eq: 5.1] we have  $\mathbb{N}_0 \times A \in \mathcal{G}$  so that by [theorem: 1.60]  $\bigcap \mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0 \times A$  hence  $\lambda \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0 \times A$
2.  $\forall G \in \mathcal{G}$  we have by definition that  $(0, a) \in G$  hence  $(0, a) \in \bigcap \mathcal{G}$  or  $(0, a) \in \lambda$
3. If  $(n, x) \in \bigcap \mathcal{G}$  then  $\forall G \in \mathcal{G}$  we have  $(n, x) \in G \Rightarrow (s(n), f(x)) \in G$ , so that  $(s(n), f(x)) \in \bigcap \mathcal{G}$ .

Using (1), (2) and (3) it follows that  $\bigcap \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{G}$ .  $\square$

If  $x \in \text{dom}(\lambda)$  then  $\exists y$  such that  $(x, y) \in \lambda \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0 \times A$  [see eq: 5.2] so that  $x \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , hence

$$\text{dom}(\lambda) \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0 \tag{5.3}$$

As by [eq: 5.2]  $(0, a) \in \lambda$  we have that

$$0 \in \text{dom}(\lambda) \tag{5.4}$$

If  $n \in \text{dom}(\lambda)$  then  $\exists x$  such that  $(n, x) \in \lambda$ , as by [eq: 5.2]  $\lambda \in \mathcal{G}$ , we have  $(s(n), f(x)) \in \lambda$  so that  $s(n) \in \text{dom}(\lambda)$ . In other words we have

$$\text{if } n \in \text{dom}(\lambda) \text{ then } s(n) \in \text{dom}(\lambda) \tag{5.5}$$

Now [eq: 5.3], [eq: 5.4] and [eq: 5.5] are the conditions for mathematical induction [theorem: 5.11], so we have proved that

$$\text{dom}(\lambda) = \mathbb{N}_0 \tag{5.6}$$



We use now mathematical induction to prove that  $\lambda$  is the graph of a function. Let

$$S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \exists! x \text{ such that } (n, x) \in \lambda\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$$

then we have:

**0**  $\in S$ . By [eq: 5.2] we have  $(0, a) \in \lambda$ . Assume that  $\exists x \in A$  with  $x \neq a$  such that  $(0, x) \in \lambda$ , then  $(0, a) \neq (0, x)$ . Define now  $\beta = \lambda \setminus \{(0, x)\}$  then we have

1.  $\beta \subseteq \lambda \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0 \times A$
2. As  $(0, a) \neq (0, x)$  and  $(0, a) \in \lambda$  we have  $(0, a) \in \beta$
3. If  $(n, y) \in \beta \xRightarrow{\beta \subseteq \lambda} (n, y) \in \lambda$  so that  $(s(n), f(x)) \in \lambda$ , as by [theorem: 5.10]  $s(n) \neq 0$  we have that  $(s(n), f(x)) \neq (0, x)$ , hence  $(s(n), f(y)) \in \beta$

From (1),(2) and (3) it follows that  $\beta \in \mathcal{G}$  so that by [theorem: 1.60]  $\lambda = \bigcap \mathcal{G} \subseteq \beta$  which as  $(0, x) \in \lambda$  would give  $(0, x) \in \beta = \lambda \setminus \{(0, x)\}$  a contradiction. So the assumption is wrong and we must have that  $x = a$ , proving uniqueness, hence that  $0 \in S$ .

**n**  $\in S \Rightarrow s(n) \in S$ . As  $n \in S$  there exist a **unique**  $x \in S$  such that  $(n, x) \in \lambda$ . As  $(n, x) \in \lambda$  we have as  $\lambda \in \mathcal{G}$  that  $(s(n), f(x)) \in \lambda$ . Assume now that  $\exists y$  such that  $(s(n), y) \in \lambda$  and  $f(x) \neq y$ . Define then  $\beta = \lambda \setminus \{(s(n), y)\}$  then we have:

1.  $\beta \subseteq \lambda \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0 \times A$
2. As by [theorem: 5.15]  $s(n) \neq 0$  we have that  $(0, a) \neq (s(n), y)$ , as further  $(0, a) \in \lambda$  it follows that  $(0, a) \in \beta$
3. If  $(m, z) \in \beta$  then  $(m, z) \in \lambda$  so that  $(s(m), f(z)) \in \lambda$  we must now consider two cases for  $s(n), s(m)$ :

**s(m) = s(n)**. Then by [theorem: 5.16] we have  $n = m$  so that  $(n, z) = (m, z) \in \lambda$ . As  $n \in S$  and we have  $(n, x) \in \lambda$  it follows that  $z = x$ . So that  $(s(m), f(z)) = (s(n), f(x)) \neq (s(n), y)$  [as we assumed that  $y \neq f(x)$ ] hence we have that  $(s(m), f(z)) \in \beta$ .

**s(m)  $\neq$  s(n)**. then  $(s(m), f(z)) \neq (s(n), y)$  so that  $(s(m), f(z)) \in \beta$

So we have prove that if  $(m, z) \in \beta$  then  $(s(m), f(z)) \in \beta$

From (1),(2) and (3) it follows that  $\beta \in \mathcal{G}$  but then using [theorem: 1.60] we have that  $\lambda = \bigcap \mathcal{G} \subseteq \beta$  which as  $(s(n), y) \in \lambda$  leads to  $(s(n), y) \in \beta = \lambda \setminus \{(s(n), y)\}$  a contradiction. So the assumption is wrong and we must have that  $y = f(x)$  proving **uniqueness**, hence we have that  $s(n) \in S$ .

Using mathematical induction [theorem: 5.11] it follows that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S$ . So if  $(n, x), (n, x') \in \lambda$  then  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 = S$  so that  $y = y'$  giving

$$\text{If } (n, x), (n, x') \in \lambda \text{ then } x = x' \quad (5.7)$$

From [eq: 5.2], [eq: 5.6] and [eq: 5.7] it follows that

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A \text{ is a function} \quad (5.8)$$

As  $\lambda \in \mathcal{G}$  we have that  $(0, a) \in \lambda \Rightarrow a = \lambda(0)$ , further if  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \text{dom}(\lambda)$  then  $\exists x$  such that  $(n, x) \in \lambda$  and  $(s(n), f(x)) \in \lambda$ . Now  $(n, x) \in \lambda$  is equivalent with  $\lambda(n) = x$  and  $(s(n), f(x)) \in \lambda$  is equivalent with  $\lambda(s(n)) = f(x) = f(\lambda(n))$ . So we have for  $\lambda$  that

$$\lambda(0) = a \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ we have } \lambda(s(n)) = f(\lambda(n)) \quad (5.9)$$

So we have proved the existance of our function, next we must prove that this function is unique. Assume that there exist another function

$$\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A \text{ such that } \beta(0) = a \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ we have } \lambda(s(n)) = f(\lambda(n))$$

We proceed by mathematical induction, so define  $T = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \lambda(n) = \beta(n)\}$  then we have

$0 \in T$ . As  $\lambda(0) = a = \beta(0)$  we have that  $0 \in T$ .

$n \in T \Rightarrow s(n) \in T$ . As  $n \in T$  we have  $\lambda(n) = \beta(n)$  but then  $\lambda(s(n)) = f(\lambda(n)) = \beta(s(n))$  so that  $s(n) \in T$

Using mathematical induction [theorem: 5.11] we have then  $T = \mathbb{N}_0$ . So  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $n \in T$  hence  $\lambda(n) = \beta(n)$  which by [theorem: 2.41] proves that

$$\lambda = \beta \quad \square$$

**Corollary 5.20.** *If  $A$  is a set,  $a \in A$  and  $f: A \rightarrow A$  a function then there exists a unique function*

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$$

*such that*

1.  $\lambda(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $\lambda(s(n)) = f(\lambda(n))$
3. If  $a \notin f(A)$  and  $f: A \rightarrow A$  is injective then  $\lambda$  is injective

**Proof.** The first part is easy. Using recursion [theorem: 5.19] there exists a function

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$$

such that

$$\lambda(0) = a \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ we have } \lambda(s(n)) = f(\lambda(n))$$

We use now mathematical induction to prove (3). Assume that  $a \notin f(A)$  and take

$$S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \forall m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ with } \lambda(n) = \lambda(m) \text{ we have } n=m\}$$

then we have:

$0 \in S$ . If  $\lambda(m) = \lambda(0)$  then as  $\lambda(0) = a$  we have that  $\lambda(m) = a$ . Assume that  $m \neq 0$  then by [theorem: 5.18] there exists a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $m = s(k)$  so that  $a = \lambda(m) = \lambda(s(k)) = f(\lambda(k))$ , which proves that  $a \in f(A)$  contradicting  $a \notin f(A)$ . Hence we must have  $m = 0$  so that  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S \Rightarrow s(n) \in S$ . Let  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\lambda(s(n)) = \lambda(m)$ . Assume that  $m = 0$  then  $\lambda(s(n)) = \lambda(m) = \lambda(0) = a$  so that  $f(\lambda(n)) = \lambda(s(n)) = a$ , resulting in  $a \in f(A)$  contradicting  $a \notin f(A)$ . Hence we must have that  $m \neq 0$ . Using [theorem: 5.18] there exists a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $m = s(k)$ , from  $\lambda(s(n)) = \lambda(m)$  it follows then that  $\lambda(s(n)) = \lambda(s(k))$  so that  $f(\lambda(n)) = \lambda(s(n)) = \lambda(s(k)) = f(\lambda(k))$ . As  $f$  is injective we have  $\lambda(n) = \lambda(k)$ . Now as  $n \in S$  we must have  $n = k$  or  $s(n) = s(k) = m$ . This proves that  $\forall m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $\lambda(s(n)) = \lambda(m)$  we have  $s(n) = m$ , hence  $s(n) \in S$

Using mathematical induction [theorem: 5.11] it follows that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S$ . So if  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  is such that  $\lambda(n) = \lambda(m)$  then  $n \in S$  and as  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $n = m$ , proving that

$$\lambda \text{ is injective} \quad \square$$

**Remark 5.21.** To understand how recursion works in the above theorem consider the following, Let  $f: A \rightarrow A$  a function,  $a \in A$  and  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  such that  $\lambda(0) = a$  and  $\lambda(s(n)) = f(\lambda(n))$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(0) &= a \\ \lambda(1) = \lambda(s(0)) &= f(\lambda(0)) = f(a) \\ \lambda(2) = \lambda(s(1)) &= f(\lambda(1)) = f(f(a)) \\ \lambda(3) = \lambda(s(2)) &= f(\lambda(2)) = f(f(f(a))) \\ &\dots \\ \lambda(n) &= \overbrace{f(f(\dots(f(a))))}^{n \text{ times}} \end{aligned}$$

so  $\lambda(n)$  is the result of applying  $f$   $n$ -times on a value  $a$ . If  $a \notin f(A)$  and  $f$  is injective then  $\lambda$  is injective and we would have that  $f(a), f(f(z)), f(f(f(a))), \dots, \overbrace{f(f(\dots(f(a))))}^{n \text{ times}}$  are all different numbers.

To see the conditions for injectivity of  $\lambda$  consider the following two examples:

**Example 5.22.** Define  $f: \{1, 2, 3\} \rightarrow f(\{1, 2, 3\})$  by  $f(i) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } i = 1 \\ 3 & \text{if } i = 2 \\ 2 & \text{if } i = 3 \end{cases}$  (so  $f$  is not injective) and  $a = 3$

then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(0) &= 3 \\ \lambda(1) &= f(3) = 2 \\ \lambda(2) &= f(f(3)) = f(2) = 1 \\ \lambda(3) &= f(f(f(3))) = f(1) = 2 \\ \lambda(4) &= f(f(f(f(3)))) = f(2) = 1 \\ &\dots \end{aligned}$$

So that  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  is clearly not injective.

**Example 5.23.** Take  $f: \{1, 2, 3\} \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3\}$  by  $f(i) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } i = 1 \\ 3 & \text{if } i = 2 \\ 1 & \text{if } i = 3 \end{cases}$  so that  $f$  is injective and  $a = 2$  so that  $a \in f(\{1, 2, 3\})$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(0) &= 2 \\ \lambda(1) &= f(2) = 1 \\ \lambda(2) &= f(f(2)) = f(1) = 2 \\ \lambda(3) &= f(f(f(2))) = f(2) = 1 \\ &\dots \end{aligned}$$

So that  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3\}$  is not injective.

We can rephrase the above remark in the iteration principle that is useful in proofs using mathematical induction.

**Theorem 5.24. (Iteration)** *Let  $A$  be a non empty set and  $f: A \rightarrow A$  a function. Then  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  there exist a function*

$$(f)^n: A \rightarrow A$$

such that

1.  $(f)^0 = \text{Id}_A$
2.  $(f)^{s(n)} = f \circ (f)^n$

**Proof.** Let  $a \in A$  and use the recursion [theorem: 5.19] to find a function

$$\lambda_a: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A \text{ such that } \lambda_a(0) = a \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \lambda_a(s(n)) = f(\lambda_a(n))$$

Define now

$$(f)^n: A \rightarrow A \text{ where } (f)^n(a) = \lambda_a(n)$$

Then we have

1.  $\forall a \in A$  we have that  $(f)^0(a) = \lambda_a(0) = a$  so that

$$(f)^0 = \text{Id}_A$$

2.  $\forall a \in A$  we have that  $(f)^{s(n)}(a) = \lambda_a(s(n)) = f(\lambda_a(n)) = f((f)^n(a)) = (f \circ (f)^n)(a)$  so that

$$(f)^{s(n)} = f \circ (f)^n \quad \square$$

As illustration of iteration let  $f: A \rightarrow A$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (f)^0 &= \text{Id}_A \\ (f)^1 = (f)^{s(0)} &= f \circ (f)^0 = f \circ \text{Id}_A = f \\ (f)^2 = (f)^{s(1)} &= f \circ (f)^1 = f \circ f \\ (f)^3 = (f)^{s(2)} &= f \circ (f)^2 = f \circ f \circ f \\ &\dots \\ (f)^n &= \overbrace{f \circ \dots \circ f}^{n \text{ times}} \end{aligned}$$

We can apply the above on a group to define new operations on the group.

**Example 5.25.** Let  $\langle A, \oplus \rangle$  be a group and  $a \in A$  define then  $\oplus_a: A \rightarrow A$  by  $x \rightarrow \oplus_a(x) = x \oplus a$  we define then given  $n \in \mathbb{N}$   $a \langle \oplus \rangle n = (\oplus_a)^n(e)$  where  $e$  is the neutral element in the group. So

$$\begin{aligned} a \langle \oplus \rangle 0 &= (\oplus_a)^0(e) = \text{Id}_A(e) = e \\ a \langle \oplus \rangle 1 &= (\oplus_a)^1(e) = \oplus_a(e) = a \oplus e = e \\ a \langle \oplus \rangle 2 &= (\oplus_a)^2(e) = \oplus_a(\oplus_a(e)) = a \oplus (a \oplus e) = a \oplus (a \oplus e) = a \oplus a \\ a \langle \oplus \rangle 3 &= (\oplus_a)^3(e) = (\oplus_a(\oplus_a(\oplus_a(e)))) = a \oplus (a \oplus (a \oplus e)) = a \oplus a \oplus a \\ &\dots \\ a \langle \oplus \rangle n &= \overbrace{a \oplus \dots \oplus a}^{n \text{ times}} \end{aligned}$$

Sometimes we consider a group to be additive or multiplicative, this is either noted as  $\langle A, + \rangle$  with neutral element 0 or  $\langle A, \cdot \rangle$  with neutral element 1. Then we note  $a \langle + \rangle n$  as  $a \cdot n$  as and  $a \langle \cdot \rangle n$  as  $a^n$  hence we have

1. Additive group  $\langle A, + \rangle$  with neutral element 0 gives

$$\begin{aligned} a \cdot 0 &= 0 \\ a \cdot 1 &= a \\ a \cdot 2 &= a + a \\ a \cdot 3 &= a + a + a \\ &\dots \\ a \cdot n &= \overbrace{a + \dots + a}^{n \text{ times}} \end{aligned}$$

2. Multiplicative group  $\langle A, \cdot \rangle$  with neutral element 1 gives

$$\begin{aligned} a^0 &= 1 \\ a^1 &= a \\ a^2 &= a \cdot a \\ a^3 &= a \cdot a \cdot a \\ &\dots \\ a^n &= \overbrace{a \cdot \dots \cdot a}^{n \text{ times}} \end{aligned}$$

Recursion is mostly used in it's step form to define recursive functions.

**Theorem 5.26. (Recursion on  $\mathbb{N}_0$  Step Form)** Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  and  $g: \mathbb{N} \times A \rightarrow A$  a function then there exist a **unique** function  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  such that

1.  $\lambda(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $\lambda(s(n)) = g(n, \lambda(n))$

**Proof.** First we define the projection functions

$$\begin{aligned}\pi_1: \mathbb{N}_0 \times A &\rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ where } \pi_1(n, x) = n \\ \pi_2: \mathbb{N}_0 \times A &\rightarrow A \text{ where } \pi_2(n, x) = x\end{aligned}$$

Define now

$$\gamma: \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \text{ where } \gamma(x) = (s(\pi_1(x)), g(\pi_1(x), \pi_2(x))) \quad (5.10)$$

Using the iteration [theorem: 5.24] on the above functions gives  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  the existence of the function

$$(\gamma)^n: \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \text{ such that } (\gamma)^0 = \text{Id}_{\mathbb{N}_0 \times A} \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ we have } (\gamma)^{s(n)} = \gamma \circ (\gamma)^n \quad (5.11)$$

We prove now by mathematical induction that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$   $\pi_1((\gamma)^n(0, a)) = n$ . So let

$$S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \pi_1((\gamma)^n(0, a)) = n\}$$

then we have:

$0 \in S$ . As  $\pi_1((\gamma)^0(0, a)) \stackrel{[\text{eq: 5.11}]}{=} \pi_1(\text{Id}_{\mathbb{N}_0 \times A}(0, a)) = \pi_1(0, a) = 0$  we have that  $0 \in S$

$n \in S \Rightarrow s(n) \in S$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned}\pi_1((\gamma)^{s(n)}(0, a)) &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 5.11}]}{=} \pi_1((\gamma \circ (\gamma)^n)(0, a)) \\ &= \pi_1(\gamma((\gamma)^n(0, a))) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 5.10}]}{=} \pi_1(\pi_1((\gamma)^n(0, a)), g(\pi_1((\gamma)^n(0, a)), \pi_2((\gamma)^n(0, a)))) \\ &\stackrel{n \in S \Rightarrow \pi_1((\gamma)^n(0, a)) = n}{=} \pi_1(n, g(n, \pi_2((\gamma)^n(0, a)))) \\ &= n\end{aligned}$$

proving that  $s(n) \in S$

Using mathematical induction [theorem: 5.11] we have  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S$ , hence

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ we have } \pi_1((\gamma)^n(0, a)) = n \quad (5.12)$$

Define now

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A \text{ by } \lambda(n) = \pi_2((\gamma)^n(0, a)) \quad (5.13)$$

then we have:

1.  $\lambda(0) = \pi_2((\gamma)^0(0, a)) = \pi_2(\text{Id}_{\mathbb{N}_0 \times A}(0, a)) = \pi_2(0, a) = a$
2. If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda(s(n)) &= \pi_2((\gamma)^{s(n)}(0, a)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 5.11}]}{=} \pi_2((\gamma \circ (\gamma)^n)(0, a)) \\ &= \pi_2(\gamma((\gamma)^n(0, a))) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 5.10}]}{=} \pi_2(\pi_1((\gamma)^n(0, a)), g(\pi_1((\gamma)^n(0, a)), \pi_2((\gamma)^n(0, a)))) \\ &= g(\pi_1((\gamma)^n(0, a)), \pi_2((\gamma)^n(0, a))) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 5.12}]}{=} g(n, \pi_2((\gamma)^n(0, a))) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 5.13}]}{=} g(n, \lambda(n))\end{aligned}$$

This proves the existence of the function we are searching for. Now for uniqueness assume that there is a

$$\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A \text{ such that } \beta(0) = a \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ that } \beta(s(n)) = g(n, \beta(n))$$

Define now  $B = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \lambda(n) = \beta(n)\}$  then we have:

**0**  $\in B$ . As  $\beta(0) = a = \lambda(0)$  it follows that  $0 \in B$ .

**$n \in B \Rightarrow s(n) \in B$** . As

$$\beta(s(n)) = g(n, \beta(n)) \underset{n \in B}{=} g(n, \lambda(n)) = \lambda(s(n))$$

we have that  $s(n) \in B$

Using mathematical induction we have  $B = \mathbb{N}_0$ , so  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $n \in B$  hence  $\beta(n) = \lambda(n)$  proving that

$$\beta = \lambda \quad \square$$

Up to now we have used the successor function  $s: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$  in the recursion and induction theorems. Once we have introduced the arithmetic of the natural numbers, we will rewrite these theorems by a version where  $s(n)$  is replaced by  $n + 1$ .

### 5.3 Arithmetic of the Natural numbers

We use recursion to define the sum of two natural numbers.

**Definition 5.27.** Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then the addition operator  $+$  is defined by

$$+: \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ where } n + m \underset{\text{notation}}{=} +(n, m) = (s)^m(n)$$

Here  $s: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$  is the successor function [definition: 5.6] and we use the iteration principle from [theorem: 5.24] to define  $(s)^n$ .

**Example 5.28.** Using this definition we can easily calculate that  $1 + 1 = 2$

**Proof.**  $1 + 1 = (s)^1(1) = (s \circ (s)^0)(s) = s((s)^0(1)) = s(\text{Id}_{\mathbb{N}_0}(1)) = s(1) = 2 \quad \square$

We will show now that  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$  forms a abelian semi-group.

**Theorem 5.29. (Neutral Element)** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n + 0 = n = 0 + n$

**Proof.**

1.  $n + 0 = (s)^0(n) = \text{Id}_{\mathbb{N}_0}(n) = n$
2. For the  $0 + n = n$  we use mathematical induction. So let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid 0 + n = n\}$  then we have:

$$\mathbf{0} \in S. \text{ As } 0 + 0 \underset{(1)}{=} 0 \text{ proving } 0 \in S$$

$$\mathbf{n} \in S \Rightarrow \mathbf{s(n)} \in S. \text{ We have } 0 + s(n) = (s)^{s(n)}(0) = (s \circ (s)^n)(0) = s((s)^n(0)) \underset{n \in S}{=} s(n) \text{ proving that } s(n) \in S$$

Using mathematical induction 5.11 we have  $S = \mathbb{N}_0$ . So if  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \Rightarrow n \in S$  then  $0 + n = n$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.30.**  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $n + 1 = s(n) = 1 + n$

**Proof.**

1.  $n + 1 = (s)^1(n) = (s \circ (s)^0)(n) = s((s)^0(n)) = s(\text{Id}_{\mathbb{N}_0}(n)) = s(n)$
2. For  $1 + n = s(n)$  we use induction, so define  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid 1 + n = s(n)\}$  then we have:

$$\mathbf{0} \in S. \text{ } 1 + 0 \underset{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]}{=} 1 = s(0)$$

$$\mathbf{n} \in S \Rightarrow \mathbf{n + 1} \in S.$$

$$1 + s(n) = (s)^{s(n)}(1) = (s \circ (s)^n)(1) = s((s)^n(1)) = s(1 + n) \underset{n \in S}{=} s(s(n))$$

proving that  $s(n) \in S$ .

By mathematical induction [theorem: 5.11] we have  $S = \mathbb{N}_0$  completing the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 5.31.** *If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  then  $n + s(m) = s(n + m)$*

**Proof.**  $n + s(m) = (s)^{s(m)}(n) = (s \circ (s)^m)(n) = s((s)^m(n)) = s(n + m)$   $\square$

**Theorem 5.32. (Associativity)** *If  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}$  then  $(n + m) + k = n + (m + k)$*

**Proof.** The proof is by mathematical induction, so given  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  define

$$S_{n,m} = \{k \in \mathbb{N} \mid (n + m) + k = n + (m + k)\}$$

then we have:

$$0 \in S_{n,m}. \quad (n + m) + 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]}{=} n + m \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]}{=} n + (m + 0) \Rightarrow 0 \in S_{n,m}$$

$k \in S_{n,m} \Rightarrow s(k) \in S_{n,m}$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} (n + m) + s(k) &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 5.31}]}{=} s((n + m) + k) \\ &\stackrel{k \in S}{=} s(n + (m + k)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 5.31}]}{=} (n + s(m + k)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 5.31}]}{=} (n + (m + s(k))) \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $s(k) \in S_{n,m}$ .

By mathematical induction [theorem: 5.11] we have  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S_{n,m}$ . So if  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $k \in S_{n,m} \Rightarrow (n + m) + k = n + (m + k)$   $\square$

**Theorem 5.33. (Commutativity)** *If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  then  $n + m = m + n$*

**Proof.** This is done again by induction. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and define

$$S_n = \{k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid n + k = k + n\}$$

then we have:

$0 \in S_n$ . Using [theorem: 5.29] it follows that  $n + 0 = 0 + n$  proving that  $0 \in S_n$

$k \in S_n \Rightarrow s(k) \in S_n$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} n + s(k) &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 5.31}]}{=} s(n + k) \\ &\stackrel{k \in S_n}{=} s(k + n) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.30}]}{=} 1 + (k + n) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.32}]}{=} (1 + k) + n \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.30}]}{=} s(k) + n \end{aligned}$$

Using mathematical induction [theorem: 5.11] we have that  $S_n = \mathbb{N}_0$ . So if  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow m \in S_n \Rightarrow n + m = m + n$ .  $\square$

We can summarize the above theorems as follows.

**Theorem 5.34.**  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$  forms a Abelian semi-group with neutral element 0

**Proof.**

**neutral element.** This follows from [theorem: 5.29].

**associativity.** This follows from [theorem: 5.32].

**commutativity.** This follows from [theorem: 5.33] □

Next we use recursion to define multiplication in  $\mathbb{N}_0$  and prove that  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle$  is a abelian group.

**Definition 5.35. (Multiplication)** Given  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  define

$$\alpha_n: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ by } \alpha_n(m) = n + m$$

Then we define the multiplication operator as follows

$$\cdot: \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ by } n \cdot m = .(n, m) = (\alpha_n)^m(0)$$

Using the above definition we have

We have the following examples to see how multiplication works by repeating summation

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \cdot 0 &= (\alpha_2)^0(0) = \text{Id}_{\mathbb{N}}(0) = 0 \\ 2 \cdot 1 &= (\alpha_2)^1(0) = (\alpha_2)^{s(0)}(0) = (\alpha_2 \circ (\alpha_2)^0)(0) = \alpha_2(0) = 2 + 0 = 2 \\ 2 \cdot 2 &= (\alpha_2)^2(0) = (\alpha_2)^{s(1)}(0) = (\alpha_2((\alpha_2)^1(0))) = \alpha_2(2) = 2 + 2 = 4 \\ &\dots \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 5.36. (Absorbing Element)** If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n \cdot 0 = 0 = 0 \cdot n$

**Proof.**

1.  $n \cdot 0 = (\alpha_n)^0(0) = \text{Id}_{\mathbb{N}_0}(0) = 0$
2. We prove by induction that  $0 \cdot n = 0$ , so let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid 0 \cdot n = 0\}$  then we have:

$$0 \in S. \text{ This follows from } 0 \cdot 0 \stackrel{(1)}{=} 0$$

$n \in S \Rightarrow s(n) \in S.$  We have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \cdot s(n) &= (\alpha_0)^{s(n)}(0) \\ &= (\alpha_0 \circ (\alpha_0)^n)(0) \\ &= \alpha_0((\alpha_0)^n(0)) \\ &= \alpha_0(0 \cdot n) \\ &\stackrel{n \in S}{=} \alpha_0(0) \\ &= 0 + 0 \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]}{=} 0 \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $s(n) \in S$ .

By induction [theorem: 5.11] we have that  $S = \mathbb{N}_0$  hence the theorem follows. □

**Theorem 5.37. (Neutral Element)** If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n \cdot 1 = n = 1 \cdot n$

**Proof.**

- 1.

$$\begin{aligned} n \cdot 1 &= (\alpha_n)^1(0) \\ &= (\alpha_n)^{s(0)}(0) \\ &= (\alpha_n \circ (\alpha_n)^0)(0) \\ &= \alpha_n((\alpha_n)^0(0)) \\ &= \alpha_n(\text{Id}(0)) \\ &= \alpha_n(0) \\ &= n + 0 \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]}{=} n \end{aligned}$$



2. We prove  $1 \cdot n$  by induction, so let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid 1 \cdot n = n\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S$ . This follows from  $1 \cdot 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.36}]}{=} 0$

$n \in S \Rightarrow s(n) \in S$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \cdot s(n) &= (\alpha_1)^{s(n)}(n) \\ &= (\alpha_1 \circ (\alpha_1)^n)(0) \\ &= a_1((\alpha_1)^n(0)) \\ &= \alpha_1(1 \cdot n) \\ &\stackrel{n \in S}{=} \alpha_1(n) \\ &= 1 + n \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.30}]}{=} s(n) \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $s(n) \in S$ .

By induction [theorem: 5.11] it follows that  $S = \mathbb{N}_0$  completing the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 5.38.** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n \cdot s(m) = n + n \cdot m \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{=} n \cdot m + n$ .

**Proof.**  $n \cdot s(m) = (\alpha_n)^{s(m)}(0) = (\alpha_n \circ (\alpha_n)^m)(0) = a_n((\alpha_n)^m(0)) = \alpha_n(n \cdot m) = n + n \cdot m$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.39. (Distributivity)**  $\forall n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $(n + m) \cdot k = n \cdot k + m \cdot k$ .

**Proof.** We use induction to prove this. So given  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  let

$$S_{n,m} = \{k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid (n + m) \cdot k = n \cdot k + m \cdot k\}$$

then we have:

$$0 \in S_{n,m}. \quad (n + m) \cdot 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.36}]}{=} 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]}{=} 0 + 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.36}]}{=} n \cdot 0 + m \cdot 0$$

$n \in S_{n,m} \Rightarrow s(n) \in S_{n,m}$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} (n + m) \cdot s(k) &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 5.38}]}{=} (n + m) \cdot k + (n + m) \\ &\stackrel{k \in S_{n,m}}{=} (n \cdot k + m \cdot k) + (n + m) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.32}]}{=} n \cdot k + (m \cdot k + (n + m)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{=} n \cdot k + (m \cdot k + (m + n)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.32}]}{=} n \cdot k + ((m \cdot k + m) + n) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{=} n \cdot k + (n + (m \cdot k + m)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.32}]}{=} (n \cdot k + n) + (m \cdot k + m) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 5.38}]}{=} n \cdot s(k) + m \cdot s(k) \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $s(k) \in S_{n,m}$ .

By induction [theorem: 5.11] it follows that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S_{n,m}$ . So if  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $k \in S_{n,m}$  giving  $(n + m) \cdot k = n \cdot k + m \cdot k$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.40. (Commutativity)** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n \cdot m = m \cdot n$ .

**Proof.** We prove this by induction so given  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  let  $S_n = \{m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid n \cdot m = m \cdot n\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S_n$ . Using [theorem: 5.36] we have  $n \cdot 0 = 0 = 0 \cdot n$  proving that  $0 \in S_n$ .

$m \in S_n \Rightarrow s(m) \in S_n$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 n \cdot s(m) & \stackrel{[\text{lemma: 5.38}]}{=} n + n \cdot m \\
 & \stackrel{m \in S_n}{=} n + m \cdot n \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.37}]}{=} 1 \cdot n + m \cdot n \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem 5.39}]}{=} (1 + n) \cdot n \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.30}]}{=} s(m) \cdot n
 \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $s(m) \in S_n$ .

Using induction [theorem: 5.11] it follows that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S_n$ . So if  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $m \in S_n$  hence  $n \cdot m = m \cdot n$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.41. (Associativity)** *If  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $(n \cdot m) \cdot k = n \cdot (m \cdot k)$*

**Proof.** We prove this by induction. So given  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  define

$$S_{n,m} = \{k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid (n \cdot m) \cdot k = n \cdot (m \cdot k)\}$$

then we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 \in S_{n,m}. \text{ This follows from } (n \cdot m) \cdot 0 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.36}]}{=} 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.36}]}{=} n \cdot 0 = \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.36}]}{=} n \cdot (m \cdot 0) \\
 k \in S_{n,m} \Rightarrow s(k) \in S_{n,m}. \text{ We have}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (n \cdot m) \cdot s(k) & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.38}]}{=} (n \cdot m) \cdot k + n \cdot m \\
 & \stackrel{k \in S_{n,m}}{=} n \cdot (m \cdot k) + n \cdot m \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.40}]}{=} (m \cdot k) \cdot n + m \cdot n \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.39}]}{=} ((m \cdot k) + m) \cdot n \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.40}]}{=} n \cdot ((m \cdot k) + m) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.38}]}{=} n \cdot (m \cdot s(k))
 \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $s(k) \in S_{n,m}$ .

Using induction we have then that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S_{n,m}$ . So if  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $k \in S_{n,m}$  giving  $(n \cdot m) \cdot k = n \cdot (m \cdot k)$ .  $\square$

To summarize the above we have the following;

**Theorem 5.42.**  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle$  is a abelian semi-group with neutral element 1.

**Proof.**

**neutral element.** This follows from [theorem: 5.37]

**associativity.** This follows from [theorem: 5.41]

**commutativity.** This follows from [theorem: 5.40]  $\square$

Although there is no inverse element for addition in  $\mathbb{N}_0$  [this will be solved by the set of whole numbers], we can still solve equations as is expressed in the next theorem.

**Theorem 5.43.** *If  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then if  $n + k = m + k$  it follows that  $n = m$*

**Proof.** We prove this by induction. So given  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  define  $S = \{k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ with } n + k = m + k \text{ we have } n = m\}$  then we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 \in S. \text{ If } n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ are such that } n + 0 = m + 0 \text{ then we have } n & \stackrel{5.29}{=} n + 0 = m + 0 \stackrel{5.29}{=} m \text{ or} \\
 n = m \text{ which proves that } 0 \in S
 \end{aligned}$$

$k \in S \Rightarrow s(k) \in S$ . If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  are such that  $n + s(k) = m + s(k)$  then we have by [theorem: 5.30] that  $n + (1 + k) = m + (1 + k)$  or using [theorem: 5.32] that  $(n + 1) + k = (m + 1) + k$ . As  $k \in S$  it follows that  $n + 1 = m + 1$  or using [theorem: 5.30] that  $s(n) = s(m)$ . Finally using [theorem: 5.16] we have  $n = m$ . So  $s(k) \in S$ .

Using induction we have then that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S$ . So if  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then as  $k \in S$  we have if  $n + k = m + k$  that  $n = m$ .  $\square$

**Note 5.44.** We do not have a equivalent theorem for the product of two natural numbers, for example  $0 \cdot 0 = 1 \cdot 0$  but we don't have that  $1 = 0$ .

## 5.4 Order relation on the natural numbers

**Theorem 5.45.** *If we define the relation  $\leq$  by*

$$\leq = \{(n, m) \in \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \mid n \in m \vee n = m\}$$

*then*

$$\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \text{ is a partial ordered set}$$

**Proof.**

**reflectivity.** If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n = n \Rightarrow n \in n \vee n = n$  so that  $n \leq n$ .

**anti-symmetry.** If  $n \leq m \wedge m \leq n$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (n \in m \vee n = m) \wedge (m \in n \vee m = n) &\Rightarrow (n \in m \vee n = m) \wedge (m \in n \vee n = m) \\ &\Rightarrow (n \in m \wedge m \in n) \vee n = m \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.14}]}{\Rightarrow} (n \subseteq m \wedge m \subseteq n) \vee n = m \\ &\Rightarrow n = m \vee n = m \\ &\Rightarrow n = m \end{aligned}$$

**transitivity.** If  $n \leq m \wedge m \leq k$  then we have the following possibilities to consider

1.  $n \in m \wedge m \in k$  then by [theorem: 5.14]  $n \in m \wedge m \subseteq k \Rightarrow n \in k \Rightarrow n \leq k$
2.  $n \in m \wedge m = k$  then  $n \in k$  so that  $n \leq k$
3.  $n = m \wedge m \in k$  then  $n \in k$  so that  $n \leq k$
4.  $n = m \wedge m = k$  then  $n = k \Rightarrow n \leq k$

So in all cases we have  $n \leq k$  proving transitivity.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.46.**  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $0 \leq n$

**Proof.** We prove this by induction, so let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid 0 \leq n\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S$ .  $0 = 0$  so that  $0 \leq 0$  proving that  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S \Rightarrow s(n) \in S$ . As  $s(n) = n \cup \{n\}$  we have that  $n \in s(n)$  so that  $n \leq s(n)$ , as  $n \in S$   $0 \leq n$ , so by transitivity we have that  $0 \leq s(n)$ . Hence we have  $s(n) \in S$ .

Using induction [theorem: 5.11] it follows that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S$  proving the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.47.**  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $n < s(n)$  [in other words using [theorem: 5.30] we have  $n < n + 1$ ]

**Proof.** From  $n \in n \cup \{n\} = s(n)$  we have that  $n \leq s(n)$  and by [theorem: 5.15]  $n \neq s(n)$  so that  $n < s(n)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.48.** *If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $k \in n \Leftrightarrow k < n$ .*

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . We proceed by induction, so let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \text{If } k \in n \Rightarrow k < n\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S$ . As  $0 = \emptyset$  so that  $k \in 0$  is never true hence  $k \in 0 \Rightarrow k < 0$  is true, proving that  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S \Rightarrow s(n) \in S$ . If  $k \in s(n) = n \cup \{n\}$  then we have the following cases to consider:

$k \in n$ . As  $n \in S$  we have  $k < n$ , further from [theorem: 5.47] we have  $n < s(n)$  so that  $k < s(n)$ .

$k = n$ . By [theorem: 5.47] we have  $n < s(n)$  so that  $k < s(n)$ .

So in all cases we have  $k < s(n)$  proving that  $s(n) \in S$ .

By the induction [theorem: 5.11] it follows that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S$ , proving the theorem.

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $k < n$  then  $k \neq n$  and  $k \leq n \Rightarrow k \in n \vee k = n$  so that  $k \in n$ . □

**Theorem 5.49.** *If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then we have that*

1.  $n < 0$  is false.
2. If  $n \leq 0$  then  $n = 0$ .
3.  $n < m \wedge m < n$  is false.
4.  $n \leq m \wedge m < n$  is false.
5.  $n < m \wedge m \leq n$  is false.

**Proof.**

1. If  $n < 0$  then by [theorem: 5.48] we have  $n \in 0 = \emptyset$  which is false.
2. If  $n \leq 0$  then we have either  $n < 0$  [which by (1) is false] or  $n = 0$ .
3. If  $n < m \wedge m < n$  then  $n \leq m \wedge m \leq n \Rightarrow n = m$  and  $n \neq m$  which is a contradiction.
4. If  $n \leq m \wedge m < n$  then  $n \leq m \wedge m \leq n \Rightarrow n = m$  and  $n \neq m$  which is a contradiction.
5. If  $n < m \wedge m \leq n$  then  $n \leq m \wedge m \leq n \Rightarrow n = m$  and  $n \neq m$  which is a contradiction. □

**Theorem 5.50.**  $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $n < m$  we have  $s(n) \leq m$  [in other words using [theorem: 5.30]  $n < m$  implies  $n + 1 \leq m$ ].

**Proof.** We proof this by induction, so given  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , define  $S_n = \{m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid n < m \Rightarrow s(n) \leq m\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S_n$ . By [theorem: 5.49]  $n < 0$  is false, so  $n < 0 \Rightarrow s(n) \leq m$  is true, proving that  $0 \in S_n$ .

$m \in S_n \rightarrow s(m) \in S_n$ . Let  $n < s(m)$  then we have  $n \neq s(m)$  and  $n \leq s(m)$  so that  $n \in s(m) = m \cup \{m\}$ , hence we have to look at:

$n \in m$ . By [theorem: 5.48] we have  $n < m$ , as  $m \in S_n$  we have  $s(n) \leq m$ , as by [theorem: 5.47]  $m < s(m)$  it follows by transitivity that  $s(n) \leq s(m)$  [actually even  $s(n) < s(m)$ ].

$n = m$ . Then  $s(n) = s(m)$  so that  $s(n) \leq s(m)$ .

So we have  $s(m) \in S_n$

Using induction [theorem: 5.11] it follows that  $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $n < m$  we have as  $m \in S_n$  such that  $s(n) \leq m$ . □

**Theorem 5.51.**  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  is a well ordered set.

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction. Assume that there exist a  $A$  such that  $\emptyset \neq A \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$  with no least element. Define then

$$S_A = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \forall m \in A \text{ we have } n \leq m\}$$

then as  $A$  has no least element we must have that  $S_A \cap A = \emptyset$  [for if  $l \in S_A \cap A$  then  $l \in A$  and  $\forall m \in A$  we have  $l \leq m$  so that  $l$  is a least element of  $A$ ]. For  $S_A$  we have

$0 \in S_A$ . If  $m \in A$  we have by [theorem: 5.46] that  $0 \leq m$  so that  $0 \in S_A$ .

$n \in S_A \Rightarrow s(n) \in S_A$ . As  $n \in S_A$  we have  $\forall m \in A$  that  $n \leq m$ ,  $S_A \cap A = \emptyset$  so we have  $n \neq m$  so that  $n < m$ , using then [theorem: 5.50] proves  $s(n) \leq m$ . Hence  $s(n) \in S_A$

Using mathematical induction we have  $S_A = \mathbb{N}_0$ , so that  $S_A \cap A = \mathbb{N}_0 \cap A = A \neq \emptyset$  contradicting  $S_A \cap A = \emptyset$ . As the assumption gives a contradiction every non empty subset of  $\mathbb{N}_0$  has a least element and  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  must be well ordered.  $\square$

As a consequence of the above we have:

**Corollary 5.52.**  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered and conditional complete.

**Proof.** As  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered by [theorem: 5.51] we have by [theorem: 3.81] that  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered and conditional complete.  $\square$

**Corollary 5.53.** If  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then we have either  $x \leq y$  or  $y < x$

**Proof.** As  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered the corollary follows from [theorem: 3.81].  $\square$

**Theorem 5.54.**  $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  then  $n < m \Leftrightarrow s(n) < s(m)$

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . From [theorem: 5.50] we have  $s(n) \leq m$ , as by [theorem: 5.47]  $m < s(m)$  it follows that  $s(n) < s(m)$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . Assume that  $m \leq n$  then by [theorem: 5.47] we have  $n < s(n)$  so that  $n < s(m)$ , using [theorem: 5.50] we have  $s(n) \leq s(m)$ , combining this with  $s(n) < s(m) \Rightarrow s(n) \neq s(m) \wedge s(n) \leq s(m)$  gives the contradiction  $s(n) = s(m) \wedge s(n) \neq s(m)$ , so we have

$$\neg(m \leq n)$$

Using [corollary: 5.53] we have  $m \leq n$  or  $n < m$  so that we must have

$$n < m$$

$\square$

**Theorem 5.55.** If  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then we have

$$n < m \Leftrightarrow n + k < m + k$$

which, using [theorem: 5.43], implies that

$$n \leq m \Leftrightarrow n + k \leq m + k$$

**Proof.** We use induction, so let  $S = \{k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \text{If } m, n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ then } n < m \Leftrightarrow n + k < m + k\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S$ . If  $k = 0$  then for  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have, as by [theorem: 5.29]  $n = n + 0 \wedge m = m + 0$  that  $n < m \Leftrightarrow n + 0 < m + 0$ . So  $0 \in S$ .

$k \in S \Rightarrow s(k) \in S$ . then we have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} n < m & \xLeftrightarrow[k \in S] & n + k < m + k \\ & \xLeftrightarrow[\text{theorem: 5.50}] & s(n + k) < s(m + k) \\ & \xLeftrightarrow[\text{theorem: 5.31}] & n + s(k) < m + s(k) \end{array}$$

proving that  $s(k) \in S$

Induction [theorem: 5.11] proves then  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S$  completing the proof.  $\square$

**Corollary 5.56.** If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then we have:

1. If  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  then  $n < n + k$

2. If  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n \leq n + k$

**Proof.**

1. If  $k \neq 0$  then  $0 < k$  so that by the above theorem [theorem: 5.55] we have

$$n \underset{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]}{=} 0 + n < n + k$$

2. As  $0 \leq 0$  it follows from the above theorem [theorem: 5.55] we have that

$$n \underset{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]}{=} 0 + n \leq n + k \quad \square$$

**Theorem 5.57.** If  $n, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n + k = 0$  implies  $n = k = 0$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $k \neq 0$  then as  $0 \leq n \underset{[\text{theorem: 5.56}]}{\Rightarrow} 0 \leq n < n + k = 0$  so that  $0 \neq 0$  a contradiction, so  $k = 0$ . But then  $n = n + 0 = n + k = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.58.** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $n < s(m)$  then  $n \leq m$ .

**Note 5.59.** As by [theorem: 5.30]  $s(m) = m + 1$  this is equivalent with  $n < m + 1 \Rightarrow n \leq m$

**Proof.** Using [corollary: 5.53] we have that either  $n \leq m$  or  $m < n$ . If  $m < n$  then by [theorem: 5.50]  $s(m) \leq n$ , which combined with the hypothesis  $n < s(m)$  gives the contradiction  $n < m$ . Hence we must have  $n \leq m$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.60.** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $n < m$  then  $\exists! k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $m = n + k$ .

**Proof.** First we prove existence by induction, so let

$$S_n = \{m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \text{If } n < m \text{ then there exist a } k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ such that } k \neq 0 \text{ and } m = n + k\}$$

then we have:

$0 \in S_n$ . As  $n < 0$  is false by [theorem: 5.49], the condition is satisfied vacuously, proving that  $0 \in S_n$ .

$m \in S_n \Rightarrow s(m) \in S_n$ . If  $n < s(m)$  then we have by [theorem: 5.58] that  $n \leq m$  so that we have the following possibilities to consider:

$n = m$ . Then  $n + 1 \underset{[\text{theorem: 5.30}]}{=} s(n) = s(m)$ , as  $1 = s(0) \neq 0$  we have if we take  $k = 1$  that  $k \neq 0$  and  $n + k = s(m)$ , proving that  $s(m) \in S_n$

$n < m$ . Then as  $m \in S_n$  there exist a  $l \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $l \neq 0$  and  $n + l = m$ . Now

$$s(m) = s(n + l) \underset{[\text{theorem: 5.31}]}{=} n + s(l)$$

Take  $k = s(l)$  then  $n + k = s(m)$ , further by [theorems: 5.46, 5.47] we have  $0 \leq l \wedge l < s(l) = k$  so that  $0 < k$  hence  $k \neq 0$ . This proves that in this case we also have  $s(m) \in S_n$ .

Induction [see theorem: 5.11] proves then that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = S_n$ . Hence if  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $m \in S_n$  so that if  $n < m$  there exist a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $k \neq 0$  and  $m = n + k$ .

Now for uniqueness assume that  $n < m$  and there exists  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that

$$k + n \underset{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{=} n + k = m = n + l \underset{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{=} l + n$$

then by [theorem: 5.43]  $k = l$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 5.61.** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n < m \Leftrightarrow \exists! k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $n + k = m$

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . This follows from the previous theorem [theorem: 5.60].

$\Leftarrow$ . Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $n + k = m$ . As  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  we have  $0 < k$  so that by [theorem: 5.55]  $0 + n < k + n$   $\xRightarrow{[\text{theorems: 5.29, 5.33}]}$   $n < n + k = m$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 5.62.** *If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n \leq m \Leftrightarrow \exists! k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $m = n + k$*

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $n \leq m$  then we have either:

$n = m$ . Then  $m \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]}{=} n + 0$  where  $0 \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

$n < m$ . Then by the previous corollary [collary: 5.61] there exists a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $m = n + k$ .

proving existence. For uniqueness assume that  $n + k = m = n + l$  then

$$k + n \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{=} n + k = m = n + l \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{=} l + n$$

proving by [theorem: 5.43] that  $k = l$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . As  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have either:

$k = 0$ . Then  $m = n + 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]}{=} n$  so that  $n \leq m$ .

$0 < k$ . Then by the previous corollary [corollary: 5.61] we have  $n < m$  so that  $n \leq m$ .  $\square$

The above corollary ensures that the following definition is well defined.

**Definition 5.63.** *If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $n \leq m$  then the **unique**  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $m = n + k$  is noted as  $m - n$ . So we have that  $n + (m - n) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{=} (m - n) + n = m$  and using [theorem: 5.29] that  $n - n = 0$ .*

**Note 5.64.** The condition  $n \leq m$  is essential for the existence of  $n - m$  as this is needed for [corollary: 5.62]. Later when we define the set  $\mathbb{Z}$  of integers we will relax this condition.

**Theorem 5.65.** *If  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  is such that  $n \leq k$  then*

$$(k + m) - n = (k - n) + m = (m + k) - n$$

**Proof.** As  $n \leq k$  we have by [theorem: 5.56]  $n \leq k + m$  so that  $(k + m) - n$  and  $k - n$  are well defined. Now

$$\begin{aligned} ((k - n) + m) + n &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.32}]}{=} (k - n) + (m + n) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{=} (k - n) + (n + m) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{=} ((k - n) + n) + m \\ &\stackrel{\text{definition}}{=} k + m \end{aligned}$$

So we have that

$$(k + m) - n = (k - n) + m$$

Further using commutativity [theorem: 5.33] we have that  $(m + k) - n = (k + m) - n$  so that

$$(m + k) - n = (k - n) + m$$

$\square$

**Theorem 5.66.** *If  $n, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $(n + k) - n = k = (k + n) - n$*

**Proof.** As  $n \leq n$  we can use the previous theorem [see theorem: 5.65] so that

$$(k + n) - n = (n + k) - n = (n - n) + k = 0 + k = k$$

$\square$

**Theorem 5.67.** *Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n < m$  then  $n \leq m - 1$*

**Proof.** As  $n < m$  we have by [theorem: 5.60] a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $m = n + k$ . As  $0 \neq k$  we have by [theorem: 5.18] that there exist a  $l \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $k = s(l) = l + 1$ , so  $m = (n + l) + 1$  which by [definition 5.63] means that  $n + l = m - 1$ . Further by [theorem: 5.56] we have  $n \leq n + l$  so that  $n \leq m - 1$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.68.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  then  $(m - 1) \cdot n = n \cdot (m - 1) = n \cdot m - n$*

**Proof.** As  $0 < m$  we have by [theorem: 5.50] that  $1 = s(0) \leq m$  so that  $m - 1$  is well defined. Now

$$n + (m - 1) \cdot n \underset{\text{commutativity}}{=} (m - 1) \cdot n + n = (m - 1) \cdot n + 1 \cdot n = ((m - 1) + 1) \cdot n = m \cdot n = n \cdot m$$

so that  $(m - 1) \cdot n = n \cdot m - n$  and by commutativity [see theorem: 5.33]  $n \cdot (m - 1) = n \cdot m - n$   $\square$

**Theorem 5.69.** *If  $n, m, i \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then*

1. *If  $n \leq i < m$  then  $0 \leq i - n < m - n$*
2. *If  $n \leq i \leq m$  then  $0 \leq i - n \leq m - n$*

**Proof.**

1. As  $n \leq i < m$  we have  $n < m$ . From [corollary: 5.53] it follows that  $0 \leq i - n \vee i - n < 0$  and  $i - n < m - n \vee m - n \leq i - n$ . Now by [theorem: 5.49] we have that  $i - n < 0$  is false so we must have that  $0 \leq i - n$ . If  $m - n \leq i - n$  then by [theorem: 5.55]  $m = (m - n) + n \leq (i - n) + n = n$  proving that  $m \leq n$  which by [theorem: 5.49] contradicts with  $n < m$ , so we must have  $i - n < m - n$ .
2. As  $n \leq i \leq m$  we have  $n \leq m$ . From [corollary: 5.53] it follows that  $0 \leq i - n \vee i - n < 0$  and  $i - n \leq m - n \vee m - n < i - n$ . Now by [theorem: 5.49] we have that  $i - n < 0$  is false so we must have that  $0 \leq i - n$ . If  $m - n < i - n$  then by [theorem: 5.55]  $m = (m - n) + n < (i - n) + n = n$  proving that  $m < n$  which by [theorem: 5.49] contradicts with  $n \leq m$ , so we must have  $i - n \leq m - n$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.70.** *If  $k, n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $k \leq n \wedge k \leq m$  then we have*

$$n \leq m \Leftrightarrow n - k \leq m - k$$

**Proof.**

- $\Rightarrow$ . Using [theorem: 5.53] we have either  $m - k < n - k$  or  $n - k \leq m - k$ , if  $m - k < n - k$  we have by [theorem: 5.55] that  $(m - k) + k < (n - k) + k$  so that  $m < n$  which as  $n \leq m$  gives the contradiction  $m < m$ , so we have  $n - k \leq m - k$ .
- $\Leftarrow$ . Using [theorem: 5.55] we have that  $(n - k) + k \leq (m - k) + k$  so that  $n \leq m$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.71.** *If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then there does not exist a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n < k < s(n)$*

**Proof.** Assume that  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n < k < s(n)$ . As  $n < k$  we have by [theorem: 5.50] that  $s(n) \leq k$  which combined with  $k < s(n)$  gives  $s(n) < s(n)$  a contradiction.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.72.** *If  $\emptyset \neq A \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$  is a set such that  $\sup(A)$  exist then  $\sup(A) \in A$*

**Proof.** We have the following cases for  $\sup(A)$  to consider:

- $\sup(A) = 0$ .** As  $A \neq \emptyset$  there exist a  $x \in A$ , further as the  $\sup(A)$  is a upper bound of  $A$  we have that  $x \leq 0$ , which by [theorem: 5.49] proves that  $x = 0 = \sup(A)$ , giving that  $\sup(A) = x \in A$ .
- $\sup(A) \neq 0$ .** Using [theorem: 5.18] there exist a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $s(k) = \sup(A)$ . As  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered [see theorem: 5.52] and  $k < s(k) = \sup(A)$ , it follows from the properties of the supremum [theorem: 3.68] that there exist a  $a \in A$  such that  $k < a \leq \sup(A) = s(k)$ . As we can not have  $k < a < s(k)$  [see theorem: 5.71], it follows that  $a = \sup(A)$  so that  $\sup(A) \in A$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.73.** *If  $n, m, r, s \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then*

1. *If  $n < m \wedge r < s$  then  $n + r < m + s$*



2. If  $n \leq m \wedge r \leq s$  then  $n + r \leq m + r$
3. If  $n < m \wedge r \leq s$  then  $n + r < m + r$
4. If  $n \leq m \wedge r < s$  then  $n + r < m + r$

**Proof.**

1. Using [theorem: 5.55] to follow that  $n + r < m + r$  and  $r + m < s + m \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]} n + r < m + s$  proving, using transitivity, that  $n + r < m + 1$ .
2. Using [theorem: 5.55] to follow that  $n + r \leq m + r$  and  $r + m \leq s + m \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]} n + r \leq m + s$  proving, using transitivity, that  $n + r < m + 1$ .
3. Using [theorem: 5.55] to follow that  $n + r \leq m + r$  and  $r + m < s + m \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]} n + r < m + s$  proving, using transitivity, that  $n + r < m + 1$ .
4. Using [theorem: 5.55] to follow that  $n + r < m + r$  and  $r + m \leq s + m \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]} n + r < m + s$  proving, using transitivity, that  $n + r < m + 1$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.74.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  then  $n \cdot m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$ .

**Proof.** As  $m \neq 0$  it follows from [theorem: 5.18] that  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $m = s(k)$ . So  $n \cdot m = n \cdot s(k) \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 5.38}]} n + n \cdot k$ . Further as  $n \neq 0$  we have that  $0 < n$ , so that by [theorem: 5.55]  $n \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]} n + 0 \leq n + n \cdot k = n \cdot m$ , using transitivity gives then finally  $0 < n \cdot m$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.75.** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n < m$  then

1. If  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  then  $n \cdot k < m \cdot k$
2. If  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n \cdot k \leq m \cdot k$

**Proof.**

1. As  $n < m$  we have by [theorem: 5.60] that there exist a  $l \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $m = n + l$ . So

$$m \cdot k = (n + l) \cdot k \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 5.39}]} n \cdot k + l \cdot k.$$

As  $l, k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  we have by [theorem: 5.74] that  $l \cdot k \neq 0$  so that  $0 < l \cdot k$ , hence using [theorem: 5.55] we have that

$$n \cdot k \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]} 0 + n \cdot k < l \cdot k + n \cdot k \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]} n \cdot k + l \cdot k = m \cdot k$$

so that

$$n \cdot k < m \cdot k$$

2. If  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then we have either:

$k = 0$ . Then by [theorem: 5.36] we have  $n \cdot k = 0 = m \cdot k$  so that  $n \cdot k \leq m \cdot k$ .

$k \neq 0$ . Then by (1)  $n \cdot k < m \cdot k \Rightarrow n \cdot k \leq m \cdot k$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.76.** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{n\}$  such that  $n \cdot k = m \cdot k$  then  $n = m$ .

**Proof.** Using [corollary: 5.53] we have that  $n < m$ ,  $m < n$  or  $n = m$ . If  $n < m$  then by [theorem: 5.75]  $n \cdot k < m \cdot k$  contradicting  $n \cdot k = m \cdot k$ , likewise if  $m < n$  then by [theorem: 5.75]  $m \cdot k < n \cdot k$  contradicting  $n \cdot k = m \cdot k$ . So we must have  $n = m$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.77. (Archimedean Property)** If  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $x \neq 0$  then there exists a  $z \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $y < z \cdot x$

**Proof.** For  $y$  we have two possibilities:

$y = 0$ . As  $x \neq 0$  we have  $y = 0 < x \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 5.37}]} 1 \cdot x$ , so using  $z = 1$  proves the theorem.

$y \neq 0$ . Using [corollary: 5.53] we have for  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}_0$  either:

$y \leq x$ . Then as  $1 < s(1) = 2$  [see theorem: 5.47] we have  $x \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.37}]}{=} 1 \cdot x < 2 \cdot x$  [see: theorem: 5.75], hence  $y < 2 \cdot x$ , so using  $z = 2$  proves the theorem.

$x < y$ . Using [theorem: 5.60] there exist  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that

$$y = x + k \quad (5.14)$$

As  $0 < x$  we have by [theorem: 5.50]  $1 = s(0) \leq x$  so that by multiplication with  $k$  we have [see theorem: 5.75] that

$$k = 1 \cdot k \leq x \cdot k \quad (5.15)$$

As  $0 \neq k < s(k)$  and  $x \neq 0$  we have by [see theorem: 5.75] that  $k \cdot x < s(k) \cdot x \Rightarrow x \cdot k < x \cdot s(k)$  combining this with [eq: 5.15] gives that

$$k < x \cdot s(k) \quad (5.16)$$

Using [theorem: 5.55] we have

$$x + k = k + x < s(k) + x = x + x \cdot s(k) = x \cdot 1 + x \cdot s(k) \stackrel{\text{distributivity}}{=} x \cdot (1 + s(k))$$

or using [eq: 5.14] that  $y < x \cdot (s + s(k))$ . So if we take  $z = 1 + s(k)$  we have that  $y < x \cdot z$  which as also  $0 < 1 < 1 + s(k)$  proves the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.78. (Division)** *If  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  then there exists a **unique**  $r \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and a unique  $q \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that*

$$m = n \cdot q + r \text{ and } 0 \leq r < n$$

**Proof.** First we prove existence of  $q$  and  $r$ . As  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$   $n \neq 0$  so that  $0 < n$ . For  $m$  we have the following cases to consider:

$m = 0$ . In this case taking  $q = 0$  and  $r = 0$  gives  $n \cdot 0 + 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.36}]}{=} 0 + 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]}{=} 0 \cdot m + 0$  and  $0 \leq 0 < n$ , so  $q = 0 = r$  satisfies  $m = n \cdot q + r$  and  $0 \leq r < n$ .

$0 < m$ . Then we have the following cases for  $n$  to consider:

$n = 1$ . Take  $q = m$  and  $r = 0$  then  $n \cdot q + r = 1 \cdot m + 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.29, 5.37}]}{=} m$  and  $0 \leq 0 < n$ , so  $q, r$  satisfies  $m = n \cdot q + r$  and  $0 \leq r < n$ .

$n \neq 1$ . Then as  $0 < n \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.50}]}{\Rightarrow} 1 = s(0) \leq n$  we have  $1 < n$ . By [theorem: 5.75] it follows that  $m = 1 \cdot m < n \cdot m$ , so if we define

$$A_{n,m} = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid m < n \cdot x \wedge x \leq m\}$$

then  $m \in A_{n,m}$  proving that

$$A_{n,m} \neq \emptyset$$

As  $(\mathbb{N}_0, \leq)$  is well ordered [see theorem: 5.51] there exist a least element

$$q' = \min(A_{n,m})$$

If  $q' = 0$  then as  $q' \in A_{n,m}$  we would have  $m < n \cdot 0 \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.36}]}{=} 0$  a contradiction, hence we must have that  $0 < q'$ . So by [theorem: 5.18] there exist a  $q \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $s(q) = q'$ . As  $q < s(q) = q'$  [see theorem: 5.47] we must have that  $q \notin A_{n,m}$ , which, as  $q < q' \leq m$ , means that  $n \cdot q \leq m$ . From this we have by [theorem: 5.75] the existence of a  $r \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that

$$m = n \cdot q + r$$

Using [corollary: 5.53] we have either  $n \leq r$  or  $r < n$ . If  $n \leq r$  then by [theorem: 5.55] we have  $n + n \cdot q \leq r + n \cdot q = n \cdot q + r = m$ , hence

$$n \cdot q' = n \cdot s(q) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.38}]}{=} n + n \cdot q \leq m$$

As  $q' \in A_{n,m}$  we have by definition that  $m < n \cdot q'$  which combined with the above yields the contradiction  $m < m$ . So we must have

$$0 \leq r < n$$

To summarize we have found  $q, r$  such that  $m = n \cdot q + r$  and  $0 \leq r < n$  proving existence.

Now to prove uniqueness. Assume that  $n \cdot q + r = m = n \cdot q'' + r''$  and  $0 \leq q < n, 0 \leq q'' < n$  with  $q \neq q''$  then by [corollary: 5.53] we have either  $q < q'', q'' < q$  or  $q = q'$ . For the cases  $q < q''$  or  $q'' < q$  we have

$q < q''$ . Then by [theorem: 5.50]

$$\begin{aligned} s(q) \leq q'' & \Rightarrow s(q) \cdot n \leq q'' \cdot n & [\text{theorem: 5.75}] \\ & \Rightarrow n \cdot s(q) \leq q'' \cdot n & [\text{theroems 5.40}] \\ & \Rightarrow n \cdot q + n \leq q'' \cdot n & [\text{theorem: 5.38}] \\ & \Rightarrow n \cdot q + n + r + r'' \leq q'' \cdot n + r + r'' & [\text{theorem: 5.55}] \\ & \Rightarrow m + n + r'' \leq m + r \\ & \Rightarrow n + r'' \leq r & [\text{theorem: 5.55}] \\ & \Rightarrow n \leq n + r'' \leq r & [\text{theorem: 5.56}] \end{aligned}$$

contradicting  $r < n$ .

$q'' < q$ . Then by [theorem: 5.50]

$$\begin{aligned} s(q'') \leq q & \Rightarrow s(q'') \cdot n \leq q \cdot n & [\text{theorem: 5.75}] \\ & \Rightarrow n \cdot s(q'') \leq q \cdot n & [\text{theroems 5.40}] \\ & \Rightarrow n \cdot q'' + n \leq q \cdot n & [\text{theorem: 5.38}] \\ & \Rightarrow n \cdot q'' + n + r + r'' \leq q \cdot n + r + r'' & [\text{theorem: 5.55}] \\ & \Rightarrow m + n + r \leq m + r'' \\ & \Rightarrow n + r \leq r'' & [\text{theorem: 5.55}] \\ & \Rightarrow n \leq n + r \leq r'' & [\text{theorem: 5.56}] \end{aligned}$$

contradicting  $r < n$ .

So we must have that  $q = q''$  but then  $r + n \cdot q = n \cdot q + r = m = n \cdot q + r'' = r'' + n \cdot q$  proving by [theorem: 5.55] that  $r = r''$ .  $\square$

## 5.5 Other forms of Mathematical Induction and Recursion

In this section we rewrite the theorem of induction and recursion using  $n + 1$  instead of  $s(n)$  [see theorem: 5.30]. First we introduce some definiions.

**Definition 5.79.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $\{n, \dots \infty\}$  is defined as

$$\{n, \dots \infty\} = \{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 | n \leq i\}$$

**Note 5.80.**  $\{0, \dots, \infty\} = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0 | 0 \leq x\} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.46}]}{=} \mathbb{N}_0$

**Definition 5.81.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $\{n, \dots, m\}$  is defined as

$$\{n, \dots, m\} = \{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 | n \leq i \wedge i \leq m\}$$

We have now the following variation on mathematical induction.

**Theorem 5.82. (Mathematical Induction)** *If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $X \subseteq \{n, \dots, \infty\}$  is such that*

1.  $n \in X$
2. *If  $i \in X$  then  $i + 1 \in X$*

*then  $X = \{n, \dots, \infty\}$ .*

**Proof.** Take  $S = \{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid i + n \in X\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S$ . As  $0 + n \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.29}]}{=} n \in X$  we have  $0 \in S$ .

$i \in S \Rightarrow s(i) \in S$ . As  $i \in S$  we have  $i + n \in X$  so that by the hypothesis  $(i + n) + 1 \in X$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} (i + n) + 1 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.32}]}{=} i + (n + 1) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{=} i + (1 + n) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.32}]}{=} (i + 1) + n \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.30}]}{=} s(i) + n \end{aligned}$$

so that  $s(i) + n \in X$ , proving  $s(i) \in S$ .

By mathematical induction we have that  $S = \mathbb{N}_0$ . If  $i \in \{n, \dots, \infty\}$  then  $n \leq i$  so by [theorem: 5.62]  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $i = n + k \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{=} k + n \stackrel{\Rightarrow}{k \in \mathbb{N}_0 = S} i \in X$ . Hence  $\{n, \dots, \infty\} \subseteq X$  which together with  $X \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$  proves that

$$X = \{1, \dots, \infty\} \quad \square$$

For recursion we have the following theorems that follows from [theorem: 5.20], [theorem: 5.24] and [theorem: 5.26] by replacing  $s(n)$  by its equivalent form  $n + 1$ .

**Theorem 5.83.** *Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  and  $f: A \rightarrow A$  a function then there exist a **unique** function*

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$$

*such that:*

1.  $\lambda(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $\lambda(n + 1) = f(\lambda(n))$

*Further if  $f: A \rightarrow A$  is injective and  $a \notin f(A)$  then  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  is injective.*

**Theorem 5.84.** *Let  $A$  be a set,  $f: A \rightarrow A$  a function then  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  there exist a function*

$$(f)^n: A \rightarrow A$$

*such that:*

1.  $(f)^0 = \text{Id}_A$
2.  $(f)^{n+1} = f \circ (f)^n$

**Theorem 5.85.** *Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  and  $g: \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \rightarrow A$  then there exist a **unique** function*

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$$

*such that:*

1.  $\lambda(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$   $\lambda(n + 1) = g(n, \lambda(n))$

**Corollary 5.86.** *Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  and  $g: \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \rightarrow A$  then there exist a **unique** function*

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$$

*such that:*

1.  $\lambda(0) = a$

$$2. \forall n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} \lambda(n) = g(n-1, \lambda(n-1))$$

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 5.85] there exists a  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  such that

$$\lambda(0) = a \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \lambda(n+1) = g(n, \lambda(n)) \quad (5.17)$$

Let  $n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\}$  then  $1 \leq n$  so by [definition: 5.63] we have that  $n-1 \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n = (n-1) + 1$ , hence  $\lambda(n) = \lambda((n-1) + 1) = g(n-1, \lambda(n-1))$ .  $\square$

In the above the function  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  is specified by saying what  $a \in A$  is and what the function  $g: \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \rightarrow A$  is. There exist a more intuitive way of specifying these requirements as is expressed in the following definition.

**Definition 5.87.** Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  then we can define a function as follows:

$$f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$$

is defined by:

1.  $f(0) = a$
2.  $f(n+1) = G(n, \lambda(n))$

where  $G(n, \lambda(n))$  is an expression of two parameters. The above is equivalent with the function defined by [theorem: 5.85] where  $a \in A$  and  $g: \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \rightarrow A$  is defined by  $g(n, x) = G(n, x)$ .

Another way to define a recursive function is based on [corollary: 5.86]

**Definition 5.88.** Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  then we define  $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  as follows

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } n=0 \\ G(n-1, f(n-1)) & \text{if } n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} \end{cases}$$

Which is equivalent with the function defined by [theorem: 5.86] where  $a \in A$  and  $g: \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \rightarrow A$  is defined by  $g(n, x) = G(n, x)$ .

**Example 5.89. (Facility)**  $\text{fac}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$  is defined by

$$\text{fac}(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=0 \\ n \cdot \text{fac}(n-1) & \text{if } n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} \end{cases}$$

this is the function defined by [corollary: 5.86] where  $a = 1$  and  $g: \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \rightarrow A$  is defined by  $g(n, x) = (n+1) \cdot x$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{fac}(0) &= 1 \\ \text{fac}(1) &= g(0, \text{fac}(0)) = (0+1) \cdot \text{fac}(0) = 1 \cdot \text{fac}(0) = 1 \cdot 1 = 1 \\ \text{fac}(2) &= g(1, \text{fac}(1)) = (1+1) \cdot \text{fac}(1) = 2 \cdot \text{fac}(1) = 2 \cdot 1 = 2 \\ \text{fac}(3) &= g(2, \text{fac}(2)) = (2+1) \cdot \text{fac}(2) = 3 \cdot \text{fac}(2) = 3 \cdot 2 = 6 \\ &\dots \\ \text{fac}(n) &= g(n-1, \text{fac}(n-1)) = ((n-1)+1) \cdot \text{fac}(n-1) = n \cdot \text{fac}(n-1) \\ &\dots \end{aligned}$$

or in other words without using  $g$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{fac}(0) &= 1 \\ \text{fac}(1) &= 1 \cdot \text{fac}(0) = 1 \cdot 1 = 1 \\ \text{fac}(2) &= 2 \cdot \text{fac}(1) = 2 \cdot 1 = 2 \\ \text{fac}(3) &= 3 \cdot \text{fac}(2) = 3 \cdot 2 = 6 \\ &\dots \\ \text{fac}(n) &= n \cdot \text{fac}(n-1) \\ &\dots \end{aligned}$$

which is exactly what we mean by the definition

$$\text{fac}(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=0 \\ n \cdot \text{fac}(n-1) & \text{if } n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} \end{cases}$$

# Chapter 6

## Finite and Infinite Sets

### 6.1 Equipotence

First we define the concept of equipotency which allows us to state that two sets have the same size without actually counting the number of elements. The latter will turn out to be impossible for every set.

**Definition 6.1.** Two sets  $A$  and  $B$  are **equipotent** if there exist a bijection  $f: A \rightarrow B$ . We note this as  $A \approx B$ .

**Theorem 6.2.** Let  $A, B, C$  be sets then

1.  $A \approx A$
2. If  $A \approx B$  then  $B \approx A$
3. If  $A \approx B \wedge B \approx C$  then  $A \approx C$

**Proof.**

1. Id:  $A \rightarrow A$  is a bijection [see example: 2.64] proving that  $A \approx A$
2. As  $A \approx B$  there exists a bijection  $f: A \rightarrow B$  but then by [theorem: 2.71]  $f^{-1}|B \rightarrow A|$  is also a bijection, so that  $B \approx A$ .
3. If  $A \approx B$  and  $B \approx C$  then there exists bijections  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$ , using [theorem: 2.73] we have that  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow C$  is a bijection, so  $A \approx C$ .  $\square$

Next we define a relation that says one set is smaller or equal to another set.

**Definition 6.3.** Let  $A, B$  be sets then  $A \preceq B$  if there exist a  $C \subseteq B$  such that  $A \approx C$ .

The following relation expresses that one set is smaller than another set.

**Definition 6.4.** Let  $A, B$  be sets then  $A \prec B$  if  $A \preceq B$  and  $\neg(A \approx B)$

Clearly we have the following:

**Theorem 6.5.** If  $A$  is a set then  $\mathcal{P}(A) \approx 2^A$

**Proof.** As  $2 = s(1) = s(s(0)) = s(\{\emptyset\}) = \{\emptyset\} \cup \{\{\emptyset\}\} = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} = \{0, 1\}$  we have that  $2^A = \{0, 1\}^A$ , finally using [theorem: 2.76] there exist a bijection  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  and  $\{0, 1\}^A$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 6.6.** Let  $A, B$  be sets then  $A \preceq B$  if and only if there exist a injection  $f: A \rightarrow B$

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $A \preceq B$  then there exist a set  $C \subseteq B$  and a bijection  $f: A \rightarrow C$ , as a bijection is injective we have that  $f: A \rightarrow C$  is injective and finally by [theorem: 2.52]  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a injection.

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $f: A \rightarrow C$  is an injection then by [theorem: 2.66]  $f: A \rightarrow f(A)$  is a bijection where  $f(A) \subseteq B$  proving that  $A \preceq B$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 6.7.** *If  $A$  is a set then there exist no surjection between  $A$  and  $\mathcal{P}(A)$*

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction. So assume that there exists a surjective function

$$f: A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(A)$$

Define

$$B = \{x \in A \mid x \notin f(x)\}$$

As  $B \subseteq A$  we have that  $B \in \mathcal{P}(A)$  and by surjectivity there exists a  $a \in A$  such that  $f(a) = B$ . If  $a \in B$  then  $a \notin f(a) = B$  leading to the contradiction  $a \in B \wedge a \notin B$ , so we must have  $a \notin B = f(a)$  giving the contradiction  $a \in B \wedge a \notin B$ . So the assumption must be wrong hence there is no surjection between  $A$  and  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 6.8.** *If  $A$  is a set then no subset of  $A$  can be equipotent with  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  or  $2^A$*

**Proof.** First we prove that no subset of  $A$  can be equipotent with  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ . If  $B \subseteq A$  then we have the following possible cases to consider:

**$B = A$ .** Then by [theorem: 6.7] we can not have a surjection between  $B$  and  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ , which as a bijection is surjection, proves that there is no bijection between  $B$  and  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ . So  $B$  is not equipotent with  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ .

**$B \subset A$ .** Then  $A \setminus B \neq \emptyset, B \cap (A \setminus B) = \emptyset$  and  $A = (A \setminus B) \cup B$ . Assume now that  $B$  is equipotent with  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  then a bijection  $g: B \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(A)$  exist, take the constant function  $C_\emptyset: A \setminus B \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(A)$  where  $C_\emptyset(x) = \emptyset$  and form then using [theorem: 2.78] the function

$$f = g \cup C_\emptyset: A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(A)$$

If  $C \in \mathcal{P}(A)$  then, as  $g$  is bijective  $\exists x \in B$  such that  $(x, C) \in g \subseteq f$  or  $f(x) = C$ , hence  $f$  is a surjection which is not allowed by [theorem: 6.7]. So  $B$  is not equipotent with  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ .

If  $B \approx 2^A$  then, as by [theorem: 6.5]  $2^A \approx \mathcal{P}(A)$ , we have by [theorem: 6.2] that  $B \approx \mathcal{P}(A)$  which we have just shown to be impossible. So  $B$  can not be equipotence with  $2^A$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 6.9.** *If  $A, B$  are sets,  $A \neq \emptyset$  then there exists a injection  $f: A \rightarrow B$  if and only there exist a surjection  $g: B \rightarrow A$*

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be an injection then by [theorem: 2.60] there exist a  $g: B \rightarrow A$  such that  $g \circ f = \text{Id}_A$ . If  $x \in A$  then  $y = \text{Id}_A(x) = (g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$  so that  $g$  is surjective.

$\Leftarrow$ . Let  $g: B \rightarrow A$  be a surjection then by [theorem: 3.99] there exist an injective function  $f: A \rightarrow B$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 6.10.** *If  $A, B$  are sets then  $A \preceq B$  if and only if there exist a surjection  $f: B \rightarrow A$*

**Proof.** This follows from [theorem: 6.6] and the above [theorem: 6.9].  $\square$

**Theorem 6.11.** *Let  $A, B, C, D$  classes with  $A \cap C = \emptyset = B \cap D$ ,  $A \approx B$  and  $C \approx D$  then*

$$(A \cup C) \approx (B \cup D)$$

**Proof.** As  $A \approx B$  and  $C \approx D$  then there exist bijections  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$  then by [theorem: 2.80] there exists a bijection  $f \cup g: A \cup C \rightarrow B \cup D$ . Hence  $A \cup C \approx B \cup D$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 6.12.** *If  $A, B, C, D$  are sets such that  $A \approx B$  and  $C \approx D$  then  $A \times C \approx B \times D$*



**Proof.** As  $A \approx B$  and  $C \approx D$  there exist bijections  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: C \rightarrow D$ . Define

$$h: A \times C \rightarrow B \times D \text{ by } h(x, y) = (f(x), g(y))$$

then we have:

**injectivity.** If  $h(x, y) = h(x', y')$  then  $(f(x), g(y)) = (f(x'), g(y'))$  so that  $f(x) = f(x')$  and  $g(y) = g(y')$ , as  $f$  and  $g$  are injective we have  $x = x'$  and  $y = y'$  so that  $(x, y) = (x', y')$ .

**surjectivity.** If  $(r, s) \in B \times D$  then as  $f, g$  are surjective there exists  $x \in A, y \in C$  such that  $r = f(x)$  and  $s = g(y)$  so that  $h(x, y) = (f(x), g(y)) = (r, s)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 6.13.** If  $A, B, C, D$  are sets such that  $A \approx B$  and  $C \approx D$  then  $A^C \approx B^D$

**Proof.** As  $A \approx B$  and  $C \approx D$  then there exists bijections  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: D \rightarrow C$ . If  $x \in A^C$  then  $x: C \rightarrow A$  is a function, so  $x \circ g: D \rightarrow A$  is a function, hence  $f \circ (x \circ g): D \rightarrow B$  is a function, proving that  $f \circ (x \circ g) \in B^D$ . Define now  $h: A^C \rightarrow B^D$  by  $h(x) = f \circ (x \circ g)$  then we have:

**injectivity.** If  $x, y \in A^C$  satisfies  $h(x) = h(y)$  then

$$\begin{aligned} f \circ (x \circ g) = f \circ (y \circ g) &\Rightarrow f^{-1} \circ (f \circ (x \circ g)) = f^{-1} \circ (f \circ (y \circ g)) \\ &\Rightarrow (f^{-1} \circ f) \circ (x \circ g) = (f^{-1} \circ f) \circ (y \circ g) \\ &\Rightarrow \text{Id}_A \circ (x \circ g) = \text{Id}_A \circ (y \circ g) \\ &\Rightarrow x \circ g = y \circ g \\ &\Rightarrow (x \circ g) \circ g^{-1} = (y \circ g) \circ g^{-1} \\ &\Rightarrow x \circ (g \circ g^{-1}) = y \circ (g \circ g^{-1}) \\ &\Rightarrow x \circ \text{Id}_C = y \circ \text{Id}_C \\ &\Rightarrow x = y \end{aligned}$$

**surjectivity.** If  $y \in B^D$  then  $y: D \rightarrow B$  is a function so that  $y \circ g^{-1}: C \rightarrow B$  is a function, hence  $f^{-1} \circ (y \circ g^{-1}): C \rightarrow A$  is a function or  $f^{-1} \circ (y \circ g^{-1}) \in A^C$ . Further

$$\begin{aligned} h(f^{-1} \circ (y \circ g^{-1})) &= f \circ ((f^{-1} \circ (y \circ g^{-1})) \circ g) \\ &= f \circ ((f^{-1} \circ y) \circ (g^{-1} \circ g)) \\ &= f \circ ((f^{-1} \circ y) \circ \text{Id}_D) \\ &= f \circ (f^{-1} \circ y) \\ &= (f \circ f^{-1}) \circ y \\ &= \text{Id}_B \circ y \\ &= y \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 6.14.** If  $A, B$  are sets such that  $A \approx B$  then  $\mathcal{P}(A) \approx \mathcal{P}(B)$  and  $2^A \approx 2^B$

**Proof.** As  $A \approx B$  and  $2 \approx 2$  [see theorem: 6.2], we have by [theorem: 6.13] that  $2^A \approx 2^B$ . Further by [theorem: 6.8]  $\mathcal{P}[A] \approx 2^A$  and  $\mathcal{P}(B) \approx 2^B$ , so by [theorem: 6.2] it follows that  $\mathcal{P}(A) \approx \mathcal{P}(B)$ .  $\square$

## 6.2 Finite, Infinite and Denumerable sets

### 6.2.1 Finite and Infinite sets

Applying the concept of initial segments [see definition: 3.45] on  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  we have the following definition.

**Definition 6.15.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $S_n$  is defined by

$$S_n = \{m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid m < n\}$$

Actual we have already encountered the initial segments for  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  because they are actual the natural numbers as is proved in the following theorem.

**Theorem 6.16.**  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $n = S_n$

**Proof.** We prove this by induction. So let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 | n = S_n\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S$ . If  $x \in S_0$  then  $x < 0$  which by [theorem: 5.49] is false, so  $S_0 = \emptyset = 0$  proving that  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S \Rightarrow s(n) \in S$ . As  $n \in S$  we have that  $n = S_n$  so that

$$s(n) = n \cup \{n\} = S_n \cup \{n\}$$

If  $m \in s(n)$  then we have the following possibilities to consider:

$m = n$ . Then by [theorem: 5.47] we have that  $m < s(m) = s(n)$  so that  $m \in S_{s(n)}$

$m \in S_n$ . Then  $m < n$  which as by [theorem: 5.47]  $n < s(n)$  proves that  $m < s(n)$  hence  $m \in S_{s(n)}$

this proves that

$$s(n) \subseteq S_{s(n)} \quad (6.1)$$

If  $m \in S_{s(n)}$  then  $m < s(n)$ , now by [theorem: 5.53] we have either  $n < m$  or  $m \leq n$ . If  $n < m$  then by [theorem: 5.50] we have  $s(n) \leq m$  so that by transitivity we have  $m < m$  a contradiction. So we must have that  $m \leq n$ , if  $m = n$  then  $m \in n \cup \{n\} = s(n)$  and if  $m < n$  then  $m \in S_n \subseteq S_n \cup \{n\} = s(n)$ . So in all cases we have  $m \in s(n)$  proving that  $S_{s(n)} \subseteq s(n)$ , combining this with [eq: 6.1] gives

$$s(n) = S_{s(n)}$$

proving that  $s(n) \in S$ .

Using induction [theorem: 5.11] it follows that  $S = \mathbb{N}_0$  proving the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.17.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then

$$n \leq m \Leftrightarrow S_n \subseteq S_m.$$

In other words as  $n = S_n$  and  $m = S_m$  we have

$$n \leq m \Leftrightarrow n \subseteq m$$

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $x \in S_n$  then  $x < n$  which as  $n \leq m$  proves that  $x < m$  so that  $x \in S_m$ , hence  $S_n \subseteq S_m$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . By definition if  $n \leq m$  then either  $n = m \xrightarrow{n=S_n, m=S_m} S_n = S_m \Rightarrow S_n \subseteq S_m$  or  $n \in m$  which by [theorem: 5.14] we have that  $n \subseteq m \xrightarrow{n=S_n, m=S_m} S_n \subseteq S_m$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 6.18.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $n \leq m$  then

$$\beta: \{n, \dots, m\} \rightarrow S_{(m-n)+1} \text{ where } \beta(i) = i - n$$

is a bijection with inverse

$$\beta^{-1}: S_{(m-n)+1} \rightarrow \{n, \dots, m\} \text{ where } \beta^{-1}(i) = i + n$$

**Proof.** We have for the function  $\beta: \{n, \dots, m\} \rightarrow S_{(m-n)+1}$  where  $\beta(i) = i - n$  the following:

**injectivity.** If  $k, l \in \{n, \dots, m\}$  such that  $\beta(k) = \beta(l)$  then  $k - n = l - n$ , so by [theorem: 5.43]  $k = (k - n) + n = (l - n) + n = l$  proving that  $k = l$ .

**surjectivity.** If  $k \in S_{(m-n)+1}$  then  $0 \leq k < (m - n) + 1$  so that by [theorem: 5.58]  $0 \leq k \leq m - n$ , then by [theorem: 5.55] we have that  $n = 0 + n \leq k + n \leq (m - n) + n = m$ . If we take  $i = k + n$  then we have  $0 \leq i \leq m$  and further  $i - n = (k + n) - n \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.66}]}{=} k$  proving that  $\beta(i) = k$ .

So  $\beta: \{n, \dots, m\} \rightarrow S_{(m-n)+1}$  is a bijection. Further we have if  $k \in S_{(m-n)+1}$  that  $k = \beta(\beta^{-1}(k)) = \beta^{-1}(k) - n$  so that by [theorem: 5.43]  $k + n = (\beta^{-1}(k) - n) + n = \beta^{-1}(k)$  proving that

$$\beta^{-1}: S_{(m-n)+1} \rightarrow \{n, \dots, m\} \text{ is defined by } \beta^{-1}(k) = k + n \quad \square$$

We define now the concept of a finite set.

**Definition 6.19. (Finite Set)** A set  $A$  is **finite** if  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n \approx A$

**Example 6.20.**  $\emptyset$  is finite.

**Proof.**  $\emptyset: \emptyset \rightarrow \emptyset$  is a bijection by [example: 2.63], so as  $0 = \emptyset$  we have that  $0 \approx \emptyset$ .  $\square$

**Definition 6.21. (Infinite Set)** A set  $A$  is **infinite** if  $A$  is not **finite**.

**Definition 6.22. (Denumerable Set)** A set  $A$  is **denumerable** or **infinite countable** if  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx A$ .

**Definition 6.23. (Countable Set)** A set  $A$  is **countable** if it is **finite** or **denumerable**.

**Theorem 6.24.** If  $A, B$  are sets such that  $A \approx B$  then we have

1. If  $A$  is finite then  $B$  is finite
2. If  $A$  is denumerable then  $B$  is denumerable
3. If  $A$  is countable then  $B$  is countable.

**Proof.**

1. As  $A$  is finite there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n \approx A$  which as  $A \approx B$  proves by [theorem: 6.2] that  $n \approx B$  hence  $B$  is finite.
2. As  $A$  is denumerable  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx A$  which as  $A \approx B$  proves by [theorem: 6.2] that  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx B$  hence  $B$  is denumerable.
3. As  $A$  is countable it is either finite or denumerable, (1) and (2) ensures then that  $B$  is either finite or denumerable.  $\square$

**Lemma 6.25.** If  $A$  is a **denumerable** set and  $a \in A$  then  $A \setminus \{a\}$  is a **denumerable** set.

**Proof.** As  $A$  is denumerable there exist a bijection  $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$ . As  $a \in A$  we have by surjectivity that  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $f(n) = a$ . Define now

$$g: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A \text{ where } g(i) = \begin{cases} f(i) & \text{if } i < n \\ f(i+1) & \text{if } n \leq i \end{cases}$$

which, as  $\{x \in \mathbb{N}_0 | x < n\} \cap \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0 | n \leq x\} = \emptyset$  and  $\mathbb{N}_0 = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0 | x < n\} \cup \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0 | n \leq x\}$ , is a function. As for bijectivity we have:

**injectivity.** If  $g(i) = g(i')$  then for  $i, i'$  we have either:

$i < n \wedge i' < n$ . Then  $f(i) = g(i) = g(i') = f(i')$  which as  $f$  is injective proves that  $i = i'$ .

$i < n \wedge n \leq i'$ . Then  $f(i) = g(i) = g(i') = f(i' + 1)$  which as  $f$  is injective proves that  $i = i' + 1$ . Now as  $n \leq i' < i' + 1 = i$  and  $i < n$  we reach the contradiction  $n < n$ , so this case is not possible.

$n \leq i \wedge i' < n$ . Then  $f(i + 1) = g(i) = g(i') = f(i')$  which as  $f$  is injective proves that  $i + 1 = i'$ . Now as  $n \leq i < i + 1 = i'$  and  $i' < n$  we reach the contradiction  $n < n$ , so this case is not possible.

$n \leq i \wedge n \leq i'$ . Then  $f(i + 1) = g(i) = g(i') = f(i' + 1)$ , hence, as  $f$  is injective, we have  $i + 1 = i' + 1$  or by [theorem: 5.43]  $i = i'$ .

So in all valid cases we have  $i = i'$  proving injectivity.

**surjectivity.** If  $y \in A \setminus \{x\}$  then there exists by surjectivity of  $f$  a  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $f(i) = y$ . We can not have  $i = n$ , because we would then have  $f(i) = f(n) = y \notin A \setminus \{y\}$ . So we have either

$i < n$ . Then  $g(i) = f(i) = y$

$n < i$ . Then by [theorem: 5.67]  $n \leq i - 1$ , so  $g(i - 1) = f((i - 1) + 1) = f(i) = y$

proving surjectivity.  $\square$

**Lemma 6.26.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n$  has no denumerable subset. In particular, as  $n \subseteq n$ ,  $n$  is not denumerable.*

**Proof.** We prove this by induction, so define

$$S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid n \text{ does not contain a denumerable subset}\}$$

then we have:

$0 \in S$ . As  $0 = \emptyset$  we have if  $A \subseteq 0$  that  $A = \emptyset$ . If now  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx A$  then there exists a bijection  $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  so that  $f(0) \in A = \emptyset$  which is a contradiction. So  $0$  does not contain a denumerable subset.

$n \in S \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S$ . We proceed by contradiction, so assume that there exist a  $A \subseteq n + 1 = s(n) = n \cup \{n\}$  which is denumerable. If  $n \notin A$  then  $A \subseteq n$  which is impossible because  $n \in S$ , so we must have that  $n \in A$ . Let  $a \in A \setminus \{n\} \subseteq n \cup \{n\}$  then, as  $a \neq n$ ,  $a \in n$  proving that  $A \setminus \{n\} \subseteq n$ . Now by the previous lemma [lemma: 6.25] we have, as  $A$  is denumerable, that  $A \setminus \{n\}$  is denumerable which is forbidden as  $n \in S$ . So the assumption is wrong, hence every subset of  $s(n)$  is not denumerable, proving that  $n + 1 \in S$ .

Using induction [see theorem: 5.82] it follows that  $S = \{0, \dots, \infty\} = \mathbb{N}_0$  proving the lemma.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.27.** *Let  $A$  be a set then  $A$  is infinite if and only if  $A$  contains a denumerable subset.*

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . Let  $A$  be a infinite set. Using the well ordering theorem [see theorem: 3.123] there exists a order relation  $\leq_A$  such that  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle$  is a well ordered set. Using [theorem: 3.93] and the fact that  $\langle \mathbb{N}, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered [see theorem: 5.51] we have exactly one of the following cases:

$\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  is order isomorphic with  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle$ . This implies that  $A \approx \mathbb{N}_0$  so that  $A$  is a denumerable subset of itself.

$\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  is order isomorphic with an initial segment of  $\langle A, \leq_A \rangle$ . This implies that  $A$  has a denumerable subset [the initial segment].

$\langle A, \leq_A \rangle$  is order isomorphic with an initial segment of  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$ . So there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $A \approx S_n \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 6.16}]}{=} n$  so that  $A$  is finite, contradicting the fact that  $A$  is infinite. Hence this case does not apply.

So in all applicable cases we have that  $A$  contains a denumerable subset.

$\Leftarrow$ . Let  $B \subseteq A$  be a denumerable subset of  $A$ . Assume that  $A$  is finite then there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n \approx A$ , hence there exist a bijection  $f: A \rightarrow n$ . As  $B \subseteq A$  we have that  $f|_B: B \rightarrow f(B)$  is a bijection [see theorems: 2.83, 2.66] so that  $B \approx f(B)$ , as  $B$  is denumerable  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx B$ , so by [theorem: 6.2] it follows that  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx f(B) \subseteq n$ . So there exists a denumerable subset of  $n$  which by [theorem: 6.26] is impossible. Hence  $A$  is not finite which by definition means that  $A$  is infinite.  $\square$

**Corollary 6.28.**  $\mathbb{N}_0$  is infinite.

**Proof.** As  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{N}_0$   $\mathbb{N}_0$  is denumerable, clearly  $\mathbb{N}_0 \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$  so by the previous theorem [theorem: 6.27] we have that  $\mathbb{N}_0$  is infinite.  $\square$

**Corollary 6.29.** Every set with a infinite subset is infinite.

**Proof.** If  $A$  is a set such that there exists a infinite set  $B$  with  $B \subseteq A$  then, as  $B$  is infinite, we have by [theorem: 6.27] the existence of a denumerable set  $C \subseteq B$ , but then  $C \subseteq A$  and thus  $A$  has a denumerable subset. Using [theorem: 6.27] it follows that  $A$  is infinite.  $\square$

**Corollary 6.30.** *Every subset of a finite set is finite*

**Proof.** If a finite set would contain a infinite subset then by the previous theorem the finite set would be infinite.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.31.** *If  $A$  and  $B$  are finite sets then  $A \cup B$  is a finite set.*

**Proof.** As  $A$  is finite we have by [theorem: 6.30] that  $A \setminus B$  is finite. So there exists  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n \approx A \setminus B$  and  $m \approx B$ , hence we have two bijections

$$f: A \setminus B \rightarrow n \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 6.16}]}{=} S_n \text{ and } g': B \rightarrow m \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 6.16}]}{=} S_m \quad (6.2)$$

Define

$$C = \{i \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid n \leq i \wedge i < n + m\}$$

If  $b \in B$  then  $g'(b) \in S_m$ , hence  $0 \leq g'(b) < m$  so that by [theorem: 5.55]  $n = 0 + n \leq g'(b) + n < m + n$  or  $g'(b) + n \in C$ . So

$$g: B \rightarrow C \text{ where } g(i) = g'(i) + n \quad (6.3)$$

defines a function. Further we have:

**injectivity.** If  $g(b) = g(b')$  then  $g'(b) + n = g'(b') + n$ , so using [theorem: 5.43]  $g'(b) = g'(b')$ , hence, as  $g'$  is injective, we have  $b = b'$ .

**surjectivity.** If  $i \in C$  then  $n \leq i < n + m$ , using [theorem: 5.60] there exist a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n + k = i$ . If  $m \leq k$  then by [theorem: 5.55]  $n + m \leq n + k = i < n + m$  a contradiction. So  $k < m$  and thus  $k \in S_m$ . As  $g'$  is surjective there exists a  $b \in B$  such that  $g'(b) = k$  and thus  $g(b) = g'(b) + n = k + n = i$ .

proving that

$$g: B \rightarrow C \text{ is a bijection} \quad (6.4)$$

Further if  $i \in n \cap C = S_n \cap C$  then  $i < n \wedge n \leq i$  yielding the contradiction  $i < i$  so we have that

$$n \cap C \neq \emptyset \quad (6.5)$$

If  $i \in n \cup C$  then either

$i \in n$ . Then, as  $n = S_n$ , we have  $i < n$  which as  $n \leq n + m$  proves that  $i < n + m$  hence  $i \in S_{n+m}$ .

$i \in C$ . Then  $i < n + m$  so that  $i \in S_{n+m}$

proving

$$n \cup C \subseteq S_{n+m} \quad (6.6)$$

If  $i \in S_{n+m}$  then  $i < n + m$ , further we have either  $i < n$  so that  $i \in S_n = n$  or  $n \leq i$  giving  $i \in C$ , hence  $i \in n \cup C$  or  $S_{n+m} \subseteq n \cup C$  which by [eq: 6.6] proves that

$$n \cup C = S_{n+m} \quad (6.7)$$

Using [eq: 6.2], [eq: 6.4], [eq: 6.5], [eq: 6.7],  $A \cup B = (A \setminus B) \cup B$  and  $(A \setminus B) \cap B = \emptyset$  allows use to use [theorem: 2.80] to get the bijection

$$f \cup g: A \cup B \rightarrow S_{n+m}$$

proving that

$$A \cup B \approx S_{n+m}$$

$\square$

**Lemma 6.32.** *If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in S_n}$  is such that  $\forall i \in S_n$   $A_i$  is finite then  $\bigcup_{i \in S_n} A_i$  is finite.*

**Proof.** We use induction to prove this, so define

$$S = \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \text{If } \{A_i\}_{i \in S_n} \text{ satisfies } \forall i \in S_n \text{ } A_i \text{ is finite then } \bigcup_{i \in S_n} A_i \text{ is finite} \right\}$$

then we have:

**0**  $\in S$ . If  $n=0$  then  $S_0=0=\emptyset$  so that  $\bigcup_{i \in S_0} A_i = \bigcup_{i \in \emptyset} A_i \stackrel{\text{[example: 2.109]}}{=} \emptyset$  which is finite, hence  $0 \in S$ .

**$n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$ .** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in n+1}$  a family of finite sets. As  $S_{n+1} = n+1 = s(n) = n \cup \{n\} = S_n \cup \{n\}$  and  $n \notin S_n$  we have that  $S_{n+1} \setminus \{n\} = S_n$ . So

$$\bigcup_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i \stackrel{\text{[theorem: 2.122]}}{=} \left( \bigcup_{i \in S_{n+1} \setminus \{n\}} A_i \right) \cup A_n = \left( \bigcup_{i \in S_n} A_i \right) \cup A_n$$

As  $n \in S$  we have that  $\bigcup_{i \in S_n} A_i$  is finite which, as  $A_n$  is also finite, proves, using [theorem: 6.31] that  $(\bigcup_{i \in S_n} A_i) \cup A_n$  is finite. So  $\bigcup_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i$  is finite proving that  $n+1 \in S$ .

Mathematical induction [see theorem: 5.82] proves then the lemma.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.33.** *If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  is a such that  $I$  is finite and  $\forall i \in I$   $A_i$  is finite then  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is finite.*

**Proof.** As  $I$  is finite there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and a bijection  $f: S_n \rightarrow I$  so that by [theorem: 2.107] we have that

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcup_{i \in S_n} A_{f(i)} \quad (6.8)$$

Using the previous lemma [lemma: 6.32] it follows that  $\bigcup_{i \in S_n} A_{f(i)}$  is finite, hence using [eq: 6.8] we have

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ is finite} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 6.34.** *A set  $A$  is infinite if and only if  $\exists B \subset A$  such that  $B \approx A$ . In other words  $A$  is infinite if and only if  $A$  is equipotent with a proper subset of itself.*

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $A$  is infinite then by [theorem: 6.27] there exist a denumerable  $B \subseteq A$ . So there exists a bijection  $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow B$ . Define now the function [taking in account that  $(A \setminus B) \cap B = \emptyset$  and  $A = (A \setminus B) \cup B$ ]

$$g: A \rightarrow A \text{ where } g(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \in A \setminus B \\ f(f^{-1}(x) + 1) & \text{if } x \in B \end{cases}$$

where  $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$  is the inverse of  $f$ .

Then we have:

$$g(A) = A \setminus \{f(0)\} \quad (6.9)$$

**Proof.** If  $y \in g(A)$  then there exists a  $x \in A$  such that  $y = g(x)$ , we have for  $x$  either:

**$x \in A \setminus B$ .** Then  $y = g(x) = x$  so that  $y \in A \setminus B$  or as  $f(0) \in B$  that  $y \in A \setminus \{f(0)\}$ .

**$x \in B$ .** If  $f(0) = f(f^{-1}(x) + 1)$  we have, as  $f$  is a bijection hence injective, that  $0 = f^{-1}(x) + 1$  which contradicts  $0 < f^{-1}(x) + 1$ . So we must have that

$$f(0) \neq f(f^{-1}(x) + 1) = y.$$

proving  $y \in A \setminus \{f(0)\}$ .

So we conclude that

$$g(A) \subseteq A \setminus \{f(0)\} \quad (6.10)$$

If  $y \in A \setminus \{f(0)\}$  then we have either:

**$y \in B$ .** If  $f^{-1}(y) = 0$  we would have that  $y = f(f^{-1}(y)) = f(0)$  contradicting  $y \in A \setminus \{f(0)\}$ . So we have that  $f^{-1}(y) \neq 0$  or  $0 < f^{-1}(y)$ , using [theorem: 5.67] we have then that  $0 \leq f^{-1}(y) - 1$ . Take then  $x = f(f^{-1}(y) - 1) \in B \subseteq A$  then we have:

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &= f(f^{-1}(x) + 1) \\ &= f(f^{-1}(f(f^{-1}(y) - 1)) + 1) \\ &= f((f^{-1}(y) - 1) + 1) \\ &= f(f^{-1}(y)) \\ &= y \end{aligned}$$

so that  $y \in g(A)$ .

**$y \notin B$ .** Then  $y \in A \setminus B$  so that  $g(y) = y$  proving that  $y \in g(A)$

So we conclude that  $A \setminus \{f(0)\} \subseteq g(A)$  which combined with [eq: 6.10] proves  $g(A) = A \setminus \{f(0)\}$ .  $\square$

Next we proof that  $g: A \rightarrow A$  is injective

**Proof.** Let  $x, x' \in A$  such that  $g(x) = g(x')$  then for  $x, x'$  we have to consider the following possible cases:

**$x \in B \wedge x' \in B$ .** then  $f(f^{-1}(x) + 1) = g(x) = g(x') = f(f^{-1}(x') + 1)$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} f(f^{-1}(x) + 1) &= f(f^{-1}(x') + 1) & \xRightarrow{f \text{ is injective}} & f^{-1}(x) + 1 = f^{-1}(x') + 1 \\ & & \Rightarrow & f^{-1}(x) = f^{-1}(x') \\ & & \xRightarrow{f^{-1} \text{ is injective}} & x = x' \end{aligned}$$

**$x \in B \wedge x' \notin B$ .** Then  $f(f^{-1}(x) + 1) = g(x) = g(x') = x'$  so that  $f(f^{-1}(x) + 1) \notin B$  contradicting  $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow B$ . So this case does not apply.

**$x \notin B \wedge x' \in B$ .** Then  $x = g(x) = g(x') = f(f^{-1}(x) + 1)$  so that  $f(f^{-1}(x) + 1) \notin B$  contradicting  $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow B$ , So this case never occurs.

**$x \notin B \wedge x' \notin B$ .** Then  $x = g(x) = g(x') = x'$ .  $\square$

So we have proved that

$$g: A \rightarrow A \text{ is injective} \tag{6.11}$$

Using [eq: 6.9] and [eq: 6.11] proves that  $g: A \rightarrow A \setminus \{f(0)\}$  is a bijection or

$$A \approx A \setminus \{f(0)\}$$

Further as  $f(0) \in B \subseteq A$  we have that  $A \neq A \setminus \{f(0)\}$  giving  $A \setminus \{f(0)\} \subset A$ . Hence we have proved that  $A$  is equipotent with a proper subset of itself.

$\Leftarrow$ . Assume that there exists a proper subset  $B \subset A$  such that  $A \approx B$  then there exists a bijection  $f: A \rightarrow B$ , resulting in the injection [see theorem: 2.52]

$$f: A \rightarrow A \text{ with } f(A) = B \subset A$$

As  $f(A) \subset A$  there exists a  $a \in A$  such that  $a \notin f(A)$ . Using recursion [theorem: 5.83] there exist a injection  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  such that  $\lambda(0) = a$  and  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \lambda(n+1) = f(\lambda(n))$ . Hence we have a bijection  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \lambda(A)$  proving that  $\lambda(A)$  is denumerable, as  $\lambda(A) \subseteq A$  it follows from [theorem: 6.27] that  $A$  is infinite.  $\square$

The following theorem allows you to quantify the number of elements in a finite set.

**Theorem 6.35.** *If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n \approx m$  then  $n = m$ .*

**Proof.** Assume that  $n \approx m$  then by [theorem: 5.53] we have either  $n < m$ ,  $m < n$  or  $n = m$ . If

$n < m$ . Then  $\forall i \in n = S_n$  we have  $i < n < m \Rightarrow i < m$  so that  $i \in S_m = m$  which as  $n \neq m$  proves that  $n \subset m$ . So  $m$  is equipotent to a proper subset of itself which by [theorem: 6.34] would mean that  $m$  is infinite contradicting the fact that  $m$  is finite [as  $m \approx m$ ].

$m < n$ . Then  $\forall i \in m = S_m$  we have  $i < m < n \Rightarrow i < n$  so that  $i \in S_n = n$  which as  $n \neq m$  proves that  $m \subset n$ . So  $n$  is equipotent to a proper subset of itself which by [theorem: 6.34] would mean that  $n$  is infinite contradicting the fact that  $n$  is finite [as  $n \approx n$ ].

So the only option left is

$$n = m \quad \square$$

The previous theorem leads to the following observation: If  $A$  is a finite set then there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n \approx A$ , if there was also a  $n' \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n' \approx A$  then  $n \approx n'$ , hence  $n = n'$ . This leads to the following definition.

**Definition 6.36.** If  $A$  is a **finite** set then  $\exists! n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n \approx A$ . This unique number is noted as  $\#A$ , so  $\#A \approx A$ .  $\#A$  can be interpreted as the number of elements in  $A$ .

**Theorem 6.37.** If  $A$  is a set then  $A = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow \#A = 0$

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $A = \emptyset$  then by [example: 2.63]  $\emptyset: \emptyset \rightarrow \emptyset$  is a bijection, so as  $0 = \emptyset$  we have  $\#\emptyset = 0$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $\#A = 0$  then as  $0 = \emptyset$  there exists a bijection  $f: \emptyset \rightarrow A$ , Assume that  $A \neq \emptyset$  then there exist a  $y \in A$  and as  $f$  is a bijection we would have a  $x \in \emptyset$  such that  $f(x) = y$  contradicting the fact that  $\forall x \ x \notin \emptyset$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 6.38.** If  $A, B$  are finite sets then  $A \times B$  is finite and  $\#(A \times B) = \#A \cdot \#B$

**Proof.** We have for  $A, B$  to consider the following possibilities:

$A = \emptyset \vee B = \emptyset$ . Then  $0 = \emptyset \approx A$  and  $0 = \emptyset \approx B$  so that  $\#A = 0 = \#B$ , further by [theorem: 1.47]  $0 = \emptyset = A \times B$  hence  $\#(A \times B) = 0 = \#A \cdot \#B$ .

$A \neq \emptyset \wedge B \neq \emptyset$ . Take  $n = \#A \neq 0$  and  $m = \#B \neq 0$  then there exist bijections  $f: B \rightarrow n = S_n$  and  $g: A \rightarrow m = S_m$ . Now  $\forall x \in A, \forall y \in B$  we have  $f(x) < n$  and  $g(y) < m$ , using [theorem: 5.67] we have  $g(y) \leq m - 1$ . So by [theorem: 5.75]

$$n \cdot g(x) = g(x) \cdot n \leq (m - 1) \cdot n \underset{[\text{theorem: 5.68}]}{=} m \cdot n - n,$$

further by [theorem: 5.73] we have

$$(m \cdot n - n) + f(x) < (m \cdot n - n) + n = m \cdot n = n \cdot m$$

This allows us to define the function

$$h: A \times B \rightarrow S_{n \cdot m} \text{ where } h(x, y) = n \cdot g(x) + f(x)$$

then we have:

**injectivity.** If  $h(x, y) = h(x', y')$  then  $n \cdot g(x) + f(x) = n \cdot g(x') + f(x')$ . As  $0 \leq f(x) < n$  and  $0 \leq f(x') < n$  it follows from [theorem: 5.78] that  $g(x) = g(x')$  and  $f(x) = f(x')$  which as  $f, g$  are bijections gives  $x = x'$  and  $y = y'$  so that  $(x, y) = (x', y')$ .

**surjectivity.** If  $z \in S_{n \cdot m}$  then  $0 \leq z < n \cdot m$ , using [theorem: 5.78] there exist a  $q, r$  such that  $z = q \cdot n + r$  and  $0 \leq r < n$ . If  $m \leq q \underset{[\text{theorem: 5.75}]}{\Rightarrow} m \cdot n \leq q \cdot n \underset{[\text{theorem: 5.55}]}{\Rightarrow} m \cdot n + r \leq q \cdot n + r = z < n \cdot m$  so that  $n \cdot m + r < n \cdot m$  or  $r + n \cdot m < 0 + n \cdot m \underset{[\text{theorem: 5.55}]}{\Rightarrow} r < 0$  a contradiction, hence  $q < m$ . So we have proved that  $r \in S_n$  and  $q \in S_m$ , as  $f, g$  are bijections there exists  $x \in A, y \in B$  such that  $f(x) = r$  and  $g(y) = q$ . So  $h(x, y) = n \cdot g(x) + f(x) = n \cdot q + r = z$ .

Hence we have  $A \times B \approx S_{n \cdot m}$  proving that  $A \times B$  is finite and  $\#(A \times B) = n \cdot m = \#A \cdot \#B$ .  $\square$



**Theorem 6.39.** *If  $A, B$  are finite sets such that  $A \cap B = \emptyset$  then  $\#(A \cup B) = \#A + \#B$*

**Proof.** Let  $n = \#A$ ,  $m = \#B$  then there exist bijections  $f: A \rightarrow S_n$  and  $g: B \rightarrow S_m$ . If  $x \in A$  then  $f(x) < n < n + m$  and if  $x \in B$  then  $g(x) < m \Rightarrow n + g(x) < n + m$ , as further  $A \cap B = \emptyset$  we can define the function

$$h: A \cup B \rightarrow S_{n+m} \text{ where } h(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } x \in A \\ n + g(x) & \text{if } x \in B \end{cases}$$

We prove now that this is a bijection.

**injectivity.** If  $h(x) = h(x')$  then we have the following cases to consider for  $x, x' \in A \cup B$ :

$x \in A \wedge x' \in A$ . Then  $f(x) = h(x) = h(x') = f(x')$  which as  $f$  is a bijection gives  $x = x'$ .

$x \in A \wedge x' \in B$ . Then  $f(x) = h(x) = h(x') = n + g(x')$ , now as  $f(x) < n$  we have

$$n + g(x') = f(x) < n + 0$$

so that by [theorem: 5.55]  $g(x') < 0$ , a contradiction. So this case will never occur.

$x \in B \wedge x' \in A$ . Then  $n + g(x) = h(x) = h(x') = f(x')$ , now as  $f(x') < n$  we have

$$n + g(x) = f(x') < n + 0$$

so that by [theorem: 5.55]  $g(x) < 0$ , a contradiction. So this case will never occur.

$x \in B \wedge x' \in B$ . Then  $g(x) + n = n + g(x) = h(x) = h(x') = n + g(x') = g(x') + n$  so that by [theorem: 5.55]  $g(x) = g(x')$ , which as  $g$  is a bijection proves that  $x = x'$ .

**surjectivity.** If  $y \in S_{n+m}$  then  $y < n + m$  and we have the following cases for  $y$  to consider:

$y < n$ . Then  $y \in S_n$  so that by surjectivity of  $f$  we have a  $x \in A$  such that  $f(x) = y$ , hence  $h(x) = f(x) = y$

$n \leq y$ . Then  $n \leq y < n + m$ , by [theorem: 5.69] we have then that  $0 \leq y - n < (n + m) - n$  [theorem: 5.66]  $= m$ , proving that  $y - n \in S_m$ . As  $g$  is a surjection there exists a  $x \in B$  such that  $g(x) = y - n$ , hence  $h(n) = n + g(x) = n + (y - n) = y$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 6.40.** *If  $A$  is a finite set and  $B \subseteq A$  then:*

1.  $B$  is finite
2.  $A \setminus B$  is finite
3.  $\#B \leq \#A$
4. If  $B \subset A$  then  $\#B < \#A$
5.  $\#A = \#B + \#(A \setminus B)$

**Proof.** As  $A$  is finite there exist  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and a bijection  $f: n = S_n \rightarrow A$ . We have then to consider the following possibilities:

$B = A$ . Then obviously  $B$  is finite,  $A \setminus B = \emptyset$  is also finite,  $\#B = \#A \Rightarrow \#B \leq \#A$  and  $\#B + \#(A \setminus B) = \#A + \#\emptyset = \#A + 0 = \#A$ , So (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) are satisfied.

$B = \emptyset$ . Then clearly  $B$  is finite,  $A \setminus B = A$  is finite,  $\#B = 0 \leq \#A$  and  $\#B + \#(A \setminus B) = 0 + \#A = \#A$ , further if  $B \subset A$  then  $A \neq \emptyset$  so that  $\#B = 0 < \#A$ .

$\emptyset \neq B \subset A$ . As every subset of a finite set is finite [see theorem: 6.30] we have that  $B$  and  $A \setminus B$  are finite, further as  $B \subset A$  we have that  $A \setminus B \neq \emptyset$  so that

$$0 < \#(A \setminus B).$$

As  $B \cap (A \setminus B) = \emptyset$  and  $A \cup B = (A \setminus B) \cup B$  it follows from [theorem: 6.39] that

$$\#A = \#B + \#(A \setminus B)$$

Now if  $\#A \leq \#B$  then as  $0 < \#(A \setminus B)$  it follows from [theorem: 5.73] that

$$\#A = \#A + 0 < \#B + \#(A \setminus B) = \#A$$

a contradiction, so we must have that

$$\#B < \#A$$

So (1),(2),(3),(4) and (5) are satisfied.  $\square$

**Corollary 6.41.** *If  $A, B$  are sets,  $A$  is finite and  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a surjection then  $B$  is finite and  $\#B \leq \#A$ .*

**Proof.** If  $B = \emptyset$  then  $B$  is finite and  $\#B = 0 \leq \#A$  proving the theorem in this case. If  $B \neq \emptyset$  then by [theorem: 6.9] there exist an injection  $g: B \rightarrow A$ , leading by [theorem: 2.66] to a bijection  $g: B \rightarrow g(B)$ , hence  $B \approx g(B)$ . As  $g(B) \subseteq A$  we have by [theorem: 6.40] that  $g(B)$  is finite and  $\#g(B) \leq \#A$ . Finally as  $\#g(B) \approx B$  and  $B \approx g(B)$  it follows that  $\#B = \#g(B) \leq \#A$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 6.42.** *Let  $I$  be a finite set and  $\{x_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq X$  a finite family of elements in  $X$  then  $\{x_i | i \in I\}$  is finite.*

**Proof.** Define the function  $f: I \rightarrow \{x_i | i \in I\}$  by  $f(i) = x_i$  then if  $y \in \{x_i | i \in I\}$  there exist a  $i \in I$  such that  $y = x_i$ , hence  $y = f(i)$ . This proves that  $f: I \rightarrow \{x_i | i \in I\}$  is a surjection, so by the previous corollary [corollary: 6.41] we have as  $I$  is finite that  $\{x_i | i \in I\}$  is finite.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.43.** *Let  $A, B$  be sets,  $A$  infinite and  $f: A \rightarrow B$  a injection then  $B$  is infinite.*

**Proof.** Assume that  $B$  is finite then  $f(A) \subseteq B$  is finite and there is a bijection  $g: n \rightarrow f(A)$ , as  $f: A \rightarrow f(A)$  is a bijection we have that  $f^{-1}: f(A) \rightarrow A$  is a bijection so that  $f^{-1} \circ g: n \rightarrow A$  is a bijection, hence  $A$  is finite, contradicting the fact that  $A$  is infinite. So the assumption is wrong hence  $B$  is infinite.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.44.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a totally ordered set,  $\emptyset \neq A \subseteq X$  a finite set then  $\max(A)$  and  $\min(A)$  exists.*

**Proof.** We prove this by induction on  $\#A$ , so let

$$S = \{n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} | \text{If } A \subseteq X \text{ with } \#A = n \text{ then } \max(A) \text{ and } \min(A) \text{ exists}\}$$

then we have:

$1 \in S$ . As  $\#A = 1 = \{0\}$  there exists a bijection  $f: \{0\} \rightarrow A$  so that  $A = \{f(0)\}$  and  $\max(A) = f(0) = \min(A)$ .

$n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$ . Let  $A \subseteq X$  with  $\#A = n+1$  then  $n+1 = s(n) = n \cup \{n\}$ , so that there exists a bijection  $f: n \cup \{n\} \rightarrow A$ . If  $n \in n$  then  $n < n$  a contradiction so we have  $n \notin n$ . Take now

$$f|_n: n \rightarrow A \setminus \{f(n)\}$$

then by [theorem: 2.83]  $f|_n$  is injective. Further if  $y \in A \setminus \{f(n)\}$  then, as  $f$  is a bijection, there exists a  $i \in n+1$  such that  $f(i) = y$ , we can not have  $i = n$  [because then  $f(i) = f(n)$ ], so  $i \neq n \Rightarrow i \in n$ , proving that  $f|_n(i) = f(i) = y$ . Hence  $f|_n: n \rightarrow A \setminus \{f(n)\}$  is a surjection, which together with injectivity proving that

$$f|_n: n \rightarrow A \setminus \{f(n)\} \text{ is a bijection hence } \#(A \setminus \{f(n)\}) = n$$

As  $n \in S$  we have that  $M = \max(A \setminus \{f(n)\})$  and  $m = \min(A \setminus \{f(n)\})$  exists. We have now for  $M, f(n)$  to consider the following possibilities::

$M \leq f(n)$ . Then  $\forall x \in A \setminus \{f(n)\}$  we have  $x \leq M \leq f(n) \Rightarrow x \leq f(n)$  and for  $x = f(n)$   $x \leq f(n)$ . So  $\forall x \in A$  we have  $x \leq f(n)$ , proving that  $\max(A)$  exist and  $\max(A) = f(n)$ .

$f(n) < M$ . Then  $\forall x \in A$  we have  $x \leq M$  so that  $\max(A)$  exist and  $\max(A) = M$

For  $m, f(n)$  we need to consider:

$m \leq f(n)$ . Then  $\forall x \in A$  we have  $m \leq x$  so that  $\min(A)$  exist and  $\min(A) = m$ .

$f(n) < m$ . Then  $\forall x \in A \setminus \{f(n)\}$  we have  $m \leq x$  so that  $f(n) < m$  and for  $x = f(n)$   $x \leq f(n)$ . So  $\forall x \in A$  we have  $f(n) \leq x$  proving that  $\min(A)$  exist and that  $f(n) = \min(A)$ .

As  $\min(A)$  and  $\max(A)$  exist it follows that  $n+1 \in S$

Using induction [see theorem: 5.82] it follows that  $\{1, \dots, \infty\} = S$ . Assume now that  $\emptyset \neq A \subseteq X$  such that  $A$  is finite we must have that  $\#A \in \{1, \dots, \infty\}$  [for if  $\#A = 0$  then  $A = \emptyset$ ], so that  $\min(A)$  and  $\max(A)$  exist.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.45.** *If  $A$  is a finite set and  $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  a function then  $\exists a \in A$  such that  $f^{-1}(\{a\})$  is infinite.*

**Proof.** Assume that  $\forall a \in A$   $f^{-1}(\{a\})$  is finite. As  $A$  is finite we have for the family  $\{f^{-1}(\{a\})\}_{a \in A}$  by [theorem: 6.33] that  $\bigcup_{a \in A} f^{-1}(\{a\})$  is finite. Now

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \bigcup_{a \in A} f^{-1}(\{a\}) &\Leftrightarrow \exists a \in A \text{ such that } x \in f^{-1}(\{a\}) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists a \in A \text{ such that } f(x) \in \{a\} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists a \in A \text{ such that } f(x) = a \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in f^{-1}(A) \end{aligned}$$

So that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = f^{-1}(A) = \bigcup_{a \in A} f^{-1}(\{a\})$  from which it follows that  $\mathbb{N}_0$  is finite contradicting the fact that  $\mathbb{N}_0$  is infinite [by theorem: 6.28]. So the assumption is wrong, hence  $\exists a \in A$  such that  $f^{-1}(\{a\})$  is infinite.  $\square$

**Corollary 6.46.** *If  $A$  is finite and  $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  a function then  $\exists a \in A$  such that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  there exist a  $m \in \{n, \dots, \infty\}$  so that  $f(m) = a$ .*

**Proof.** By the preceding theorem [theorem: 6.45] there exist a  $a \in A$  such that  $f^{-1}(\{a\})$  is infinite. Assume now that  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\forall m \in \{n, \dots, \infty\}$  we have  $f(m) \neq a$ . If  $m \in f^{-1}(\{a\})$  then  $f(m) \in \{a\} \Rightarrow f(m) = a$ , so we must have that  $m \notin \{n, \dots, \infty\}$ , hence  $m < n$  or  $m \in S_n$ . So we have proved that  $f^{-1}(\{a\}) \subseteq S_n$  a finite set, giving by [theorem: 6.40] that  $f^{-1}(\{a\})$  is finite contradicting the fact that  $f^{-1}(\{a\})$  is infinite. So the assumption must be wrong, hence  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  there exists a  $m \in \{n, \dots, \infty\}$  such that  $f(m) = a$ .  $\square$

### 6.2.2 Finite families

We show now that every finite family of elements of a totally ordered set can be sorted.

**Theorem 6.47.** *Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a totally ordered set,  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $\{x_i\}_{i \in S_{n+1}} \subseteq X$  then there exists a bijection  $\beta: S_{n+1} \rightarrow S_{n+1}$  such that  $\forall i \in S_n$  we have  $x_{\beta(i)} \leq x_{\beta(n)}$ .*

**Proof.** We prove this by induction, so let

$S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \forall \{x_i\}_{i \in S_{n+1}} \subseteq X \text{ there exist a bijection } \beta: S_{n+1} \rightarrow S_{n+1} \text{ such that } \forall i \in S_n \ x_{\beta(i)} \leq x_{\beta(n)}\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S$ . If  $\{x_i\}_{i \in S_1 = \{0\}} \subseteq X$  then for the bijection  $\beta = \text{Id}_{S_1}: S_1 \rightarrow S_1$  we have  $\forall i \in S_0 = \emptyset$  that  $x_{\beta(i)} \leq x_{\beta(0)}$  is satisfied vacuously, proving that  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$ . Let  $\{x_i\}_{i \in S_{(n+1)+1}} \subseteq X$  then for  $\{x_i\}_{i \in S_{n+1}}$  we have, as  $n \in S$ , the existence of a bijection  $\alpha: S_{n+1} \rightarrow S_{n+1}$  such that  $\forall i \in S_n \ x_{\alpha(i)} \leq x_{\alpha(n)}$ . For  $x_{n+1}$  we have now two cases to consider:

$x_{\alpha(n)} \leq x_{n+1}$ . Define

$$\beta: S_{(n+1)+1} \rightarrow S_{(n+1)+1} \text{ by } \beta(i) = \begin{cases} \alpha(i) & \text{if } i \in S_{n+1} \\ n+1 & \text{if } i = n+1 \end{cases}$$

then we have:

**injectivity.** Let  $i, j \in S_{(n+1)+1}$  be such that  $\beta(i) = \beta(j)$  then we have the following possibilities:

$i \in S_{n+1} \wedge j \in S_{n+1}$ . Then  $\alpha(i) = \beta(i) = \beta(j) = \alpha(j)$  which as  $\alpha$  is a bijection proves that  $i = j$ .

$i \in S_{n+1} \wedge j = n + 1$ . Then  $\alpha(i) = \beta(i) = \beta(j) = n + 1$  from which it follows that  $n + 1 = \alpha(i) \in S_{n+1}$  giving the contradiction  $n + 1 < n + 1$ . So this case never occurs.

$i = n + 1 \wedge j \in S_{n+1}$ . Then  $n + 1 = \beta(i) = \beta(j) = \alpha(j)$  from which it follows that  $n + 1 = \alpha(j) \in S_{n+1}$  giving the contradiction  $n + 1 < n + 1$ . So this case never occurs.

$i = n + 1 \wedge j = n + 1$ . Then  $i = j$

**surjectivity.** If  $j \in S_{(n+1)+1}$  then we have the following possibilities:

$j = n + 1$ . Then  $n + 1 = \beta(n + 1)$ .

$j \in S_n$ . Then as  $\alpha$  is a bijection there exist a  $i \in S_n$  such that  $j = \alpha(i) \Rightarrow_{i \in S_n} j = \beta(i)$ .

So  $\beta: S_{(n+1)+1} \rightarrow S_{(n+1)+1}$  is a bijection. Let now  $i \in S_{n+1}$  then we have the following possibilities:

$i = n$ . Then  $x_{\beta(i)} = x_{\alpha(i)} = x_{\alpha(n)} \leq x_{n+1} = x_{\beta(n+1)}$ .

$i \in S_n$ . Then  $x_{\beta(i)} = x_{\alpha(i)} \leq x_{\alpha(n)} \leq x_{n+1} = x_{\beta(n+1)}$ .

which proves that in this case we have  $n + 1 \in S$ .

$x_{n+1} < x_{\alpha(n)}$ . Define

$$\beta: S_{(n+1)+1} \rightarrow S_{(n+1)+1} \text{ by } \beta(i) = \begin{cases} \alpha(i) & \text{if } i \in S_n \\ n + 1 & \text{if } i = n \\ \alpha(n) & \text{if } i = n + 1 \end{cases}$$

then we have:

**injectivity.** Let  $i, j \in S_{(n+1)+1}$  such that  $\beta(i) = \beta(j)$  then we have the following possibilities:

$i \in S_n \wedge j \in S_n$ . Then  $\alpha(i) = \beta(i) = \beta(j) = \alpha(j)$  which as  $\beta$  is a bijection gives  $i = j$ .

$i \in S_n \wedge j = n$ . Then  $\alpha(i) = \beta(i) = \beta(j) = n + 1$  so that  $n + 1 = \alpha(i) \in S_{n+1}$  giving the contradiction  $n + 1 < n + 1$ , so this case never occurs.

$i \in S_n \wedge j = n + 1$ . Then  $\alpha(i) = \beta(i) = \beta(j) = \alpha(n)$ , which as  $\alpha$  is a bijection, gives  $i = n$  contradicting  $i \in S_n \Rightarrow i < n$ , so this case never occurs.

$i = n \wedge j \in S_n$ . Then  $n + 1 = \beta(i) = \beta(j) = \alpha(j)$  so that  $n + 1 = \alpha(j) \in S_{n+1}$  giving the contradiction  $n + 1 < n + 1$ , so this case never occurs.

$i = n \wedge j = n$ . Then  $i = j$ .

$i = n \wedge j = n + 1$ . Then  $n + 1 = \beta(i) = \beta(j) = \alpha(n)$  so that  $n + 1 = \alpha(n) \in S_{n+1}$  giving the contradiction  $n + 1 < n + 1$ , so this case never occurs.

$i = n + 1 \wedge j \in S_n$ . Then  $\alpha(n) = \beta(i) = \beta(j) = \alpha(j)$ , which as  $\alpha$  is a bijection gives  $n = j \in S_n$  resulting in the contradiction  $n < n$ , so this case never occurs.

$i = n + 1 \wedge j = n$ . Then  $\alpha(n) = \beta(i) = \beta(j) = n + 1$  so that  $n + 1 = \alpha(n) \in S_{n+1}$  leading to the contradiction  $n + 1 < n + 1$ , so this case never occurs.

$i = n + 1 \wedge j = n + 1$ . Then  $i = j$ .

**surjectivity.** Let  $j \in S_{(n+1)+1}$  then we have the following possibilities to check:

$j = n + 1$ . then  $\beta(n) = j$

$j \in S_{n+1}$ . then as  $\alpha$  is a bijection there exist a  $i \in S_{n+1}$  so that  $\alpha(i) = j$ . If  $i = n$  then  $\beta(n + 1) = \alpha(n) = j$  and if  $i \in S_n$  then  $\beta(i) = \alpha(i) = j$ .

So  $\beta: S_{(n+1)+1} \rightarrow S_{(n+1)+1}$  is a bijection. Let now  $i \in S_{n+1}$  then we have to consider the following possibilities:

$i = n$ . Then  $x_{\beta(i)} = x_{n+1} \leq x_{\alpha(n)} = x_{\beta(n+1)}$ .

$i \in S_n$ . Then  $x_{\beta(i)} = x_{\alpha(i)} \leq x_{\alpha(n)} = x_{\beta(n+1)}$ ,

which proves that in this case  $n+1 \in S$ .

Mathematical induction [see theorem: 5.82] proves then that  $S = \mathbb{N}_0$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 6.48.** Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$ ,  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n \leq m$  and  $\{x_i\}_{i \in \{n, \dots, m\}} \subseteq X$  then there exist a bijection  $\alpha: \{n, \dots, m\} \rightarrow \{n, \dots, m\}$  such that  $\forall i \in \{n, \dots, m-1\}$  we have  $x_{\alpha(i)} \leq x_{\alpha(m)}$

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 6.18] there exists bijections

$$\beta: \{n, \dots, m\} \rightarrow S_{(m-n)+1} \text{ where } \beta(i) = i - n \quad (6.12)$$

and

$$\beta^{-1}: S_{(m-n)+1} \rightarrow \{n, \dots, m\} \text{ where } \beta(i) = i + n \quad (6.13)$$

Let  $\{x_i\}_{i \in \{n, \dots, m\}} \subseteq X$  then for  $\{x_{\beta^{-1}(i)}\}_{i \in S_{(m-n)+1}}$  we have by [theorem: 6.47] a bijection

$$\gamma: S_{(m-n)+1} \rightarrow S_{(m-n)+1} \text{ such that } \forall i \in S_{m-n} \text{ we have } x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(i))} \leq x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(m-n))} \quad (6.14)$$

Define now the bijection

$$\alpha = \beta^{-1} \circ \gamma \circ \beta: \{n, \dots, m\} \rightarrow \{n, \dots, m\}$$

If  $k \in \{n, \dots, m-1\}$  then  $n \leq k \leq m-1 < m$  so that by [theorem: 5.69] we have  $0 \leq k - n < m - n$  or  $0 \leq \beta(k) < m - n$ . So  $\beta(k) \in S_{m-n}$  and thus by [eq: 6.14] we have that

$$x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(\beta(k)))} \leq x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(m-n))} \stackrel{\beta(m) = m-n}{=} x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(\beta(m)))} \quad (6.15)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} x_{\alpha(k)} &= x_{(\beta^{-1} \circ \gamma \circ \beta)(k)} \\ &= x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(\beta(k)))} \\ &\stackrel{[eq: 6.15]}{\leq} x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(\beta(m)))} \\ &= x_{(\beta^{-1} \circ \gamma \circ \beta)(m)} \\ &= x_{\alpha(m)} \end{aligned}$$

So we have found a bijection  $\alpha: \{n, \dots, m\} \rightarrow \{n, \dots, m\}$  such that  $\forall k \in \{n, \dots, m-1\}$   $x_{\alpha(k)} \leq x_{\alpha(m)}$   $\square$

**Theorem 6.49.** Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a totally ordered set,  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $\{x_i\}_{i \in S_{n+1}} \subseteq X$  then there exists a bijection  $\beta: S_{n+1} \rightarrow S_{n+1}$  such that

$$\forall i \in S_n \text{ we have } x_{\beta(i)} \leq x_{\beta(i+1)}$$

**Proof.** We proof this by induction, so let

$S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \forall \{x_i\}_{i \in n+1} \subseteq X \text{ there exist a bijection } \beta: S_{n+1} \rightarrow S_{n+1} \text{ such that } \forall i \in S_n \ x_{\beta(i)} \leq x_{\beta(i+1)}\}$

then we have:

$0 \in S$ . Then  $S_0 = \emptyset$  and  $S_1 = \{0\}$ . Let  $\{x_i\}_{i \in S_1 = \{0\}} \subseteq X$  then, for the bijection  $\beta: S_1 \rightarrow S_1$  where  $\beta = \text{Id}_{S_1}$ , we have that,  $\forall i \in S_0 = \emptyset$   $x_{\beta(i)} \leq x_{\beta(i+1)}$ , is satisfied vacuously.

$n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$ . Let  $\{x_i\}_{i \in S_{(n+1)+1}} \subseteq X$  then by the previous theorem [theorem: 6.47] there exists a bijection

$$\alpha: S_{(n+1)+1} \rightarrow S_{(n+1)+1} \text{ such that } \forall i \in S_{n+1} \ x_{\alpha(i)} \leq x_{\alpha(n+1)} \quad (6.16)$$

Consider now  $\{x_{\alpha(i)}\}_{i \in S_{n+1}}$  then as  $n \in S$  we have the existence of a bijection

$$\gamma: S_{n+1} \rightarrow S_{n+1} \text{ such that } \forall i \in S_n \text{ we have } x_{\alpha(\gamma(i))} \leq x_{\alpha(\gamma(i+1))} \quad (6.17)$$

Define now

$$\beta: S_{(n+1)+1} \rightarrow S_{(n+1)+1} \text{ by } \beta(i) = \begin{cases} \alpha(\gamma(i)) & \text{if } i \in S_{n+1} \\ \alpha(n+1) & \text{if } i = n+1 \end{cases}$$

then we have:

**injectivity.** Let  $k, l \in S$  be such that  $\beta(k) = \beta(l)$  then we must consider the following possibilities:

$k \in S_{n+1} \wedge l \in S_{n+1}$ . Then

$$(\alpha \circ \gamma)(k) = \alpha(\gamma(k)) = \beta(k) = \beta(l) = (\alpha(\gamma(l))) = (\alpha \circ \gamma)(l)$$

which as  $\alpha \circ \gamma$  is a bijection proves that  $k = l$ .

$k \in S_{n+1} \wedge l = n+1$ . Then  $\alpha(n+1) = \beta(l) = \beta(k) = \alpha(\gamma(k))$  which, as  $\alpha$  is a bijection, gives  $n+1 = \gamma(k)$ , as  $\gamma(k) \in S_{n+1} \Rightarrow \gamma(k) < n+1$  we reach the contradiction  $n+1 < n+1$ , so this case never occurs.

$k = n+1 \wedge l \in S_{n+1}$ . Then  $\alpha(n+1) = \beta(k) = \beta(l) = \alpha(\gamma(l))$  which, as  $\alpha$  is a bijection, gives  $n+1 = \gamma(l)$ , as  $\gamma(l) \in S_{n+1} \Rightarrow \gamma(l) < n+1$ , we reach the contradiction  $n+1 < n+1$ , so this case never occurs.

$k = n+1 \wedge l = n+1$ . then  $k = l$

**surjectivity.** If  $k \in S_{(n+1)+1}$  we have, as  $\alpha$  is a bijection, that there exist a  $l \in S_{(n+1)+1}$  such that  $\alpha(l) = k$ , for  $l$  we have then the following possibilities:

$l = n+1$ . Then  $\beta(n+1) = \alpha(n+1) = k$

$l \in S_{n+1}$ . Then as  $\gamma$  is a bijection there exist a  $i \in S_{n+1}$  such that  $l = \gamma(i)$ , hence  $\beta(i) = \alpha(\gamma(i)) = \alpha(l) = k$ .

Further if  $i \in S_{n+1}$  we have the following possibilities to consider:

$i = n$ . Then  $\gamma(n) \in S_{n+1}$  so that by [eq: 6.16]  $x_{\alpha(\gamma(i))} \leq x_{\alpha(n+1)} = x_{\beta(n+1)}$  hence

$$x_{\beta(i)} = x_{\alpha(\gamma(i))} \leq x_{\beta(n+1)} = x_{\beta(i+1)}$$

$i \in S_n$ . Then by [eq: 6.17] we have  $x_{\alpha(\gamma(i))} \leq x_{\alpha(\gamma(i+1))}$  so that

$$x_{\beta(i)} = x_{\alpha(\gamma(i))} \leq x_{\alpha(\gamma(i+1))} = x_{\beta(i+1)}$$

Hence  $\forall i \in S_{n+1}$  we have  $x_{\beta(i)} \leq x_{\beta(i+1)}$  proving that  $n+1 \in S$ .

Mathematical induction [see theorem: 5.82] proves that  $S = \mathbb{N}_0$  and thus the theorem.  $\square$

**Corollary 6.50.** Let  $\langle X, \leq \rangle$  be a totally ordered set,  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $n \leq m$  and  $\{x_i\}_{i \in \{n, \dots, m\}} \subseteq X$  then there exist a bijection  $\alpha: \{n, \dots, m\} \rightarrow \{n, \dots, m\}$  such that  $\forall i \in \{n, \dots, m-1\}$   $x_{\alpha(i)} \leq x_{\alpha(i+1)}$

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 6.18] there exists bijections

$$\beta: \{n, \dots, m\} \rightarrow S_{(m-n)+1} \text{ where } \beta(i) = i - n \quad (6.18)$$

and

$$\beta^{-1}: S_{(m-n)+1} \rightarrow \{n, \dots, m\} \text{ where } \beta(i) = i + n \quad (6.19)$$

Let  $\{x_i\}_{i \in \{n, \dots, m\}} \subseteq X$  then for  $\{x_{\beta^{-1}(i)}\}_{i \in S_{(m-n)+1}}$  we have by [theorem: 6.49] a bijection

$$\gamma: S_{(m-n)+1} \rightarrow S_{(m-n)+1} \text{ such that } \forall i \in S_{m-n} \text{ we have } x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(i))} \leq x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(i+1))} \quad (6.20)$$

Define now the bijection

$$\alpha = \beta^{-1} \circ \gamma \circ \beta: \{n, \dots, m\} \rightarrow \{n, \dots, m\}$$

If  $k \in \{n, \dots, m-1\}$  then  $n \leq k \leq m-1 < m$  so that by [theorem: 5.69] we have  $0 \leq k - n < m - n$  or  $0 \leq \beta(k) < m - n$ . So  $\beta(k) \in S_{m-n}$  and thus by [eq: 6.20] we have that

$$x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(\beta(k)))} \leq x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(\beta(k)+1))}$$

Now  $\beta(k+1) = (k+1) - n \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.65}]}{=} (k-n) + 1 = \beta(k) + 1$  so that by the above we have

$$x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(\beta(k)))} \leq x_{\beta^{-1}\gamma(\beta(k+1))} \quad (6.21)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} x_{\alpha(k)} &= x_{(\beta^{-1} \circ \gamma \circ \beta)(k)} \\ &= x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(\beta(k)))} \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 6.21}]}{\leq} x_{\beta^{-1}(\gamma(\beta(k+1)))} \\ &= x_{(\beta^{-1} \circ \gamma \circ \beta)(k+1)} \\ &= x_{\alpha(k+1)} \end{aligned}$$

So we have found a bijection  $\alpha: \{n, \dots, m\} \rightarrow \{n, \dots, m\}$  such that  $\forall k \in \{n, \dots, m-1\}$   $x_{\alpha(k)} \leq x_{\alpha(k+1)}$   $\square$

The next theorem allows use later to apply induction on the product of a finite family of sets.

**Theorem 6.51.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in S_{n+1}}$  a family of sets then*

$$\prod_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i \approx \left( \prod_{i \in S_n} A_i \right) \times A_n$$

**Proof.** If  $x \in \prod_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i$  then  $x \in \left( \bigcup_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i \right)^{S_{n+1}}$  such that  $\forall i \in S_{n+1}$  we have  $x(i) \in A_i$  or equivalently  $x: S_{n+1} \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i$  is a function so that  $\forall i \in S_{n+1}$  we have  $x(i) \in A_i$ . As  $\forall i \in S_n$  we have  $x(i) \in A_i \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in S_n} A_i$ , it follows that  $x|_{S_n}: S_n \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in S_n} A_i$  is a function, so  $x|_{S_n} \in \prod_{i \in S_n} A_i$ . Hence we can define the following function

$$\beta: \left( \prod_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i \right) \rightarrow \left( \prod_{i \in S_n} A_i \right) \times A_n \text{ by } \beta(x) \rightarrow (x|_{S_n}, x(n))$$

Then we have:

**injectivity.** If  $\beta(x) = \beta(y)$  then  $(x|_{S_n}, x(n)) = (y|_{S_n}, y(n))$  or  $x|_{S_n} = y|_{S_n}$  and  $x(n) = y(n)$ .

So if  $i \in S_{n+1}$  we have either  $i \in S_n$  then  $x(i) = x|_{S_n}(i) = y|_{S_n}(i) = y(i)$  or  $i = n$  and then  $x(i) = x(n) = y(n) = y(i)$ , proving that  $x = y$ .

**surjectivity.** Let  $(y, a) \in \left( \prod_{i \in S_n} A_i \right) \times A_n$  then  $y \in \prod_{i \in S_n} A_i$  and  $a \in A_n$ . Define then the function:

$$x: S_{n+1} \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i \text{ by } x(i) = \begin{cases} y(i) & \text{if } i \in S_n \\ a & \text{if } i = n \end{cases}$$

Then  $\forall i \in S_{n+1}$  we have either  $i \in S_n$  giving  $x(i) = y(i) \in A_i$  or  $i = n$  giving  $x(i) = x(n) = a \in A_n$ , proving that  $x \in \prod_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i$ . Further as clearly  $x|_{S_n} = y$  and  $x(n) = a$  we have that  $\beta(x) = (y, a)$ .  $\square$

We use the above theorem to prove that the product of a finite family of finite sets is finite.

**Theorem 6.52.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\{A_i\}_{i \in S_n}$  be such that  $\forall i \in S_n$   $A_i$  is finite then  $\prod_{i \in S_n} A_i$  is finite.*

**Proof.** we proof this by induction so define

$$S = \left\{ n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} \mid \text{If } \{A_i\}_{i \in S_n} \text{ satisfies } \forall i \in S_n \text{ } A_i \text{ is finite then } \prod_{i \in S_n} A_i \text{ is finite} \right\}$$

then we have:

$1 \in S$ . Using [example: 2.126] there exist a bijection  $\beta: A_0 \rightarrow \prod_{i \in \{0\}} A_i$ , hence as  $S_1 = \{0\}$   $A_0 \approx \prod_{i \in S_1} A_i$ . As  $A_0$  is finite there exist a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $k \approx A_0$  proving that  $k \approx \prod_{i \in S_0} A_i$  or that  $\prod_{i \in S_1} A_i$  is finite. So  $1 \in S$ .

**$n \in S$  then  $n + 1 \in S$ .** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in S_{n+1}}$  be such that that  $\forall i \in S_{n+1}$  we have that  $A_i$  is finite. As  $n \in S$  we have that  $\prod_{i \in S_n} A_i$  is finite so using [theorem: 6.38] it follows that  $(\prod_{i \in S_n} A_i) \times A_n$  is finite. Hence  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $k \approx (\prod_{i \in S_n} A_i) \times A_n$ . Using [theorem: 6.51] we have  $(\prod_{i \in S_n} A_i) \times A_n \approx \prod_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i$  proving that  $k \approx \prod_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i$ . Hence  $\prod_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i$  is finite proving that  $n + 1 \in S$ .

Using mathematical induction it follows that  $S = \{1, \dots, \infty\}$  proving the theorem.  $\square$

**Corollary 6.53.** *Let  $I$  be a non empty finite set and  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  is such that  $\forall i \in I$  we have  $A_i$  is finite then  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i$  is finite.*

**Proof.** As  $I$  is finite and  $I \neq \emptyset$  there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $k \approx I$ , so there exist a bijection  $f: S_k \rightarrow I$ . Using [theorem: 2.131] we have that there exists a bijection  $\beta: \prod_{i \in I} A_i \rightarrow \prod_{i \in S_k} A_{f(i)}$  hence  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i \approx \prod_{i \in S_k} A_{f(i)}$ . By [theorem: 6.52] we have that  $\prod_{i \in S_k} A_{f(i)}$  is finite so there exists a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $m \approx \prod_{i \in S_k} A_{f(i)}$ , hence  $m \approx \prod_{i \in I} A_i$ , proving that  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i$  is finite.  $\square$

### 6.2.3 Denumerable sets

**Lemma 6.54.** *Every subset of  $\mathbb{N}_0$  is either finite or denumerable*

**Proof.** By [theorem: 5.51]  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  is a well ordered set, hence by [theorem: 3.94] we have for  $N \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$  either:

1.  $N$  is order isomorph with  $\mathbb{N}_0$  hence  $N \approx \mathbb{N}_0$  proving that  $N$  is denumerable.
2.  $N$  is order isomorph with a initial segment of  $\mathbb{N}_0$  so there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $N \approx S_n$  proving that  $N$  is finite.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.55.** *Every subset of a denumerable set is finite or denumerable.*

**Proof.** Let  $A$  be a denumerable set and  $B \subseteq A$ . As  $A$  is denumerable there exists a bijection

$$\beta: A \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$$

Using [theorem: 2.83] and [theorem: 2.66] we have that  $\beta|_B: B \rightarrow \beta(B)$  is a bijection so that

$$\beta(B) \approx B$$

as  $\beta(B) \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  we have by the previous lemma [lemma: 6.54] that either:

- $\beta(B) \approx \mathbb{N}_0$ . Then by [theorem: 6.2]  $B \approx \mathbb{N}_0$  proving that  $B$  is denumerable.
- $\beta(B)$  is finite. Then there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\beta(B) \approx n$ , by [theorem: 6.2]  $B \approx n$  proving that  $B$  is finite.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.56.**  $\mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{N}_0$ , in other words  $\mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  is denumerable/

**Proof.** First define the function

$$f: \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ where } f(k, m) = \begin{cases} (0, k+1) & \text{if } m=0 \\ (k+1, m-1) & \text{if } m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\} \end{cases}$$

If  $f(k, m) = f(k', m')$  we have the following cases for  $m, m'$

- $m = 0 \wedge m' = 0$ .** Then  $m = m'$  and  $(0, k+1) = f(k, m) = f(k', m') = (0, k'+1)$  so that  $k+1 = k'+1 \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 5.43}]} k = k'$  hence  $(k, m) = (k', m')$ .
- $m = 0 \wedge m' \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$ .** Then  $(0, k+1) = f(k, m) = f(k', m') = (k'+1, m'-1)$  so that  $0 = k'+1$  which as  $0 < s(k') = k'+1$  is a contradiction, so this case does not occur.
- $m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\} \wedge m' = 0$ .** Then  $(k+1, m-1) = f(k, m) = f(k', m') = (0, k'+1)$  so that  $0 = k+1$  which as  $< s(k) = k+1$  is a contradiction, so this case does not occur.



$m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\} \wedge m' \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$ . Then  $(k+1, m-1) = f(k, m) = f(k', m') = (k'+1, m'-1)$  so that  $k+1 = k'+1 \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 5.43}]} k = k'$  and  $m-1 = m'-1 \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 5.43}]} m = (m-1) + 1 = (m'-1) + 1 = m'$  so that  $(k, m) = (k', m')$

The above proves that

$$f: \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ is injective} \quad (6.22)$$

Assume that  $f(k, m) = (0, 0)$  then if  $m = 0$  we have  $(0, 0) = (0, k+1)$  giving the contradiction  $0 = k+1$  and if  $m \neq 0$  we have  $(k+1, m-1)$  giving the contradiction  $0 = k+1$ . So the assumption is incorrect hence

$$(0, 0) \notin f(\mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0) \quad (6.23)$$

Using [eq: 6.22] and [eq: 6.23] we can use recursion [see theorem: 5.83] to get a **injective** function

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ such that } \lambda(0) = (0, 0) \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ we have } \lambda(n+1) = f(\lambda(n))$$

We prove now the following proposition about  $\lambda$ :

**Proposition 6.57.** *If there exist a  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\lambda(n) = (0, m)$  then if  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}_0$  is such that  $k+l = m$  we have  $\lambda(n+k) = (k, l)$ .*

**Proof.** We proof this by induction so let

$$S_{n,m} = \{k \in \mathbb{N}_0 | \text{For } l \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ with } k+l = m \text{ we have } \lambda(n+k) = (k, l)\}$$

then we have:

$0 \in S_{n,m}$ . If  $l \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $k+l = m$  then  $l = m$  and  $\lambda(n+k) = \lambda(n) = (0, m) \stackrel{k=0 \wedge l=m}{=} (k, l)$  proving that  $0 \in S_{n,m}$ .

$k \in S_{n,m} \Rightarrow k+1 \in S_{n,m}$ . If  $l \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $(k+1)+l = m$  then we have  $k+(l+1) = m$  and as  $k \in S_{n,m}$  it follows that

$$\lambda(n+k) = (k, l+1) \quad (6.24)$$

Further

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(n+(k+1)) &= \lambda((n+k)+1) \\ &= f(\lambda(n+k)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 6.24}]}{=} f(k, l+1) \\ &\stackrel{l+1 \neq 0}{=} (k+1, (l+1)-1) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.66}]}{=} (k+1, l) \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $k+1 \in S_{n,m}$ .

Using induction [theorem: 5.82] it follows that  $S_{n,m} = \mathbb{N}_0$  proving the proposition.  $\square$

We prove now using induction that  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  is surjective. So let

$$S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 | \text{For } (k, m) \in \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ with } k+m = n \text{ there exists a } l \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ such that } \lambda(l) = (k, m)\}$$

$0 \in S$ . If  $(k, m) \in \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  is such that  $k+m = 0$  then we must have  $k = m = 0$ , as  $\lambda(0) = (0, 0) = (k, l)$  we have  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S$  then  $n+1 \in S$ . Let  $(k, m) \in \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  be such that  $k+m = n+1$ , then for  $k$  we have to consider the following cases:

$k = 0$ . Then  $m = k+m = n+1$  so that  $(k, m) = (0, m) = (0, n+1) = f(n, 0)$ . As  $n \in S$  and  $n = n+0$  there exist a  $l \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\lambda(l) = (n, 0)$ . So

$$\lambda(l+1) = f(\lambda(l)) = f(n, 0) = (0, n+1) \stackrel{k=0}{=} (k, m)$$

$k \neq 0$ . Then  $0 < k$  so that  $0 \leq k-1$ , further as  $0 \neq m+1$  we have that

$$f(k-1, m+1) = ((k-1)+1, (m+1)-1) = (k, m)$$

Let  $k' = (k + m) - 1 \stackrel{k+m=n+1}{=} (n + 1) - 1 = n$  and  $l' = 0$  then  $k' + l' = n$  so that, as  $n \in S$ , there exist a  $l \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that

$$\lambda(l) = (k', l') = ((k + m) - 1, 0) \quad (6.25)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(l+1) &= f(\lambda(l)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 6.25}]}{=} f((k + m) - 1, 0) \\ &= (0, k + m) \end{aligned}$$

Combining the above with [proposition: 6.57] we have that  $\lambda((l + 1) + k) = (k, m)$ , so that  $n + 1 \in S$ .

By mathematical induction [theorem: 5.82] it follows that  $S = \mathbb{N}_0$ . So if  $(k, m) \in \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  we have that  $k + m \in \mathbb{N}_0 = S$  so that  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_0$   $\lambda(n) = (k, m)$  which proves that  $\lambda$  is a surjection. Hence as  $\lambda$  is also injective it follows that  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  is a bijection, proving that  $\mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  is denumerable.  $\square$

**Corollary 6.58.** *If  $A, B$  are denumerable then  $A \times B$  is denumerable*

**Proof.** As  $A, B$  are denumerable we have  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx A$  and  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx B$ , proving by [theorem: 6.12] that  $\mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \approx A \times B$ . Finally as  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  it follows that that  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx A \times B$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 6.59.** *If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  then  $n \times \mathbb{N}_0$  is denumerable*

**Proof.** As  $n = S_n \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$  we have by [theorem: 1.48] that  $n \times \mathbb{N}_0 \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  so that by [theorem: 6.55]

$$n \times \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ is either finite or denumerable}$$

As  $n \neq 0$  we have that  $n \neq \emptyset$  so there exist a  $m \in n$ , define then

$$\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \{m\} \times \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ by } \beta(i) = (m, i)$$

then we have:

**injectivity.** If  $\beta(i) = \beta(i')$  then  $(m, i) = (m, i')$  giving  $i = i'$

**surjectivity.** If  $(x, y) \in \{m\} \times \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $x = m$  and  $y \in \mathbb{N}_0$  so that  $\beta(y) = (m, y) = (x, y)$

So  $\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \{m\} \times \mathbb{N}_0$  is a bijection proving that  $\{m\} \times \mathbb{N}_0$  is denumerable. As  $\{m\} \times \mathbb{N}_0 \subseteq n \times \mathbb{N}_0$  it follows by [theorem: 6.27] that  $n \times \mathbb{N}_0$  is not finite so  $n \times \mathbb{N}_0$  must be denumerable.  $\square$

**Corollary 6.60.** *If  $A$  is a non empty finite set and  $B$  a denumerable set then  $A \times B$  and  $B \times A$  are denumerable sets.*

**Proof.** As  $A \neq \emptyset$  and finite there exist a  $n \notin \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $n \approx A$ , as  $B$  is denumerable  $\mathbb{N}_0 \times B$  we have by [theorem: 6.12] that

$$n \times \mathbb{N}_0 \approx A \times B$$

which as  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  [see corollary: 6.59] proves that  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx A \times B$ , hence

$$A \times B \text{ is denumerable}$$

Define the function

$$\beta: A \times B \rightarrow B \times A \text{ by } \beta(x, y) = (y, x)$$

then we have

**injectivity.** If  $\beta(x, y) = \beta(x', y')$  then  $(y, x) = \beta(x, y) = \beta(x', y') = (y', x')$  so that  $x = x' \wedge y = y'$  proving that  $(x, y) = (x', y')$ .

**surjectivity.** If  $(x, y) \in B \times A$  we have that  $(y, x) \in A \times B$  so that  $\beta(y, x) = (x, y)$ .

proving that

$$\beta: A \times B \rightarrow B \times A \text{ is a bijection}$$

hence  $A \times B \approx B \times A$ , which as  $A \times B \approx \mathbb{N}_0$  proves that

$$B \times A \text{ is denumerable.} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 6.61.** *If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  is such that  $I \neq \emptyset \wedge I$  is finite and  $\forall i \in I$   $A_i$  is denumerable then  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is denumerable. In other words the union of a finite family of denumerable sets is denumerable.*

**Proof.** As  $I$  is finite and non empty there exist  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  and a bijection  $\beta: n_0 \rightarrow I$ . Further as  $\forall i \in I$   $A_i$  is denumerable there exist a bijection  $\alpha_i: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A_i$ . Define now the function

$$g: n_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ by } g(n, m) = \alpha_{\beta(n)}(m)$$

Now if  $y \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  there exist a  $l \in I$  such that  $y \in A_l$ , as  $\beta$  is bijective there exists a  $n \in n_0$  such that  $\beta(n) = l$ . As  $\alpha_l: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A_l$  is a bijection there exist a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\alpha_l(m) = y$ . So

$$g(n, m) = \alpha_{\beta(n)}(m) = \alpha_l(m) = y$$

proving that

$$g: n_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ is surjective}$$

Now by [theorem: 6.59] there exist a bijection  $\gamma: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow n_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  so that

$$g \circ \gamma: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ is surjective}$$

Using [theorem: 6.10] we have that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \preceq \mathbb{N}_0$  which by [definition: 6.3] gives that  $\exists E \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \approx E$ . Using [theorem: 6.55] we have that  $E$  is either finite or  $E$  is denumerable so that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is either finite or denumerable. As  $n_0 \neq 0 \Rightarrow 0 < n_0$  we have  $0 \in S_{n_0} = n_0$ , so that  $\beta(0) \in I$ , hence  $A_{\beta(0)} \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ , which, as  $A_{\beta(0)}$  is denumerable, proves by [theorem: 6.27] that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is not finite. So we must have that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is enumerable.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.62.** *If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  is such that  $I$  is denumerable and  $\forall i \in I$   $A_i$  is denumerable then  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is denumerable. In other words every union of a denumerable family of denumerable sets is denumerable.*

**Proof.** As  $I$  is denumerable there exist a bijection  $\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow I$ . Further as  $\forall i \in I$   $A_i$  is denumerable there exist a bijection  $\alpha_i: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A_i$ . Define now the function

$$g: \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ by } g(n, m) = \alpha_{\beta(n)}(m)$$

Now if  $y \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  there exist a  $l \in I$  such that  $y \in A_l$ , as  $\beta$  is bijective there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\beta(n) = l$ . As  $\alpha_l: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A_l$  is a bijection there exist a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\alpha_l(m) = y$ . So

$$g(n, m) = \alpha_{\beta(n)}(m) = \alpha_l(m) = y$$

proving that

$$g: \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ is surjective}$$

Now by [theorem: 6.56] there exist a bijection  $\gamma: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  so that

$$g \circ \gamma: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ is surjective}$$

Using [theorem: 6.10] we have that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \preceq \mathbb{N}_0$  which by [definition: 6.3] gives that  $\exists E \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \approx E$ . Using [theorem: 6.55] we have that  $E$  is either finite or  $E$  is denumerable so that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is either finite or denumerable. As  $A_{\beta(0)} \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  and  $A_{\beta(0)}$  is denumerable it follows from [theorem: 6.27] that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is not finite. So we must have that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is enumerable.  $\square$

### 6.2.4 Countable Sets

Remember that a countable set is a set that is either finite or denumerable.

**Theorem 6.63.** *Every subset of a denumerable set is countable*

**Proof.** This follows from [theorem: 6.55] and the definition of countable sets.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.64.** *Every subset of a countable set is countable*

**Proof.** If  $A$  is countable then  $A$  is either denumerable or finite. If  $A$  is finite then by [theorem: 6.40] every subset of  $A$  is finite hence countable. If  $A$  is denumerable then by [theorem: 6.63] every subset of  $A$  is countable.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.65.** *Let  $A$  be a non empty set then the following are equivalent:*

1.  $A$  is countable
2. There exists a surjection  $\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$
3. There exists an injection  $\alpha: A \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$
4. There exist a denumerable set  $B$  and an injection  $\alpha: A \rightarrow B$

**Proof.**

$1 \Rightarrow 2$ . If  $A$  is countable then we have either:

**$A$  is finite.** Then  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and a bijection  $\alpha: n = S_n \rightarrow A$ . As  $A \neq \emptyset$  there exist a  $a \in A$ , this allows us to define the function

$$\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A \text{ where } \beta(i) = \begin{cases} \alpha(i) & \text{if } i < n \\ a & \text{if } n \leq i \end{cases}$$

If  $y \in A$  then as  $\alpha$  is surjective we have that  $\exists i \in S_n = n$  such that  $\alpha(i) = y$  so that  $\beta(i) = \alpha(i) = y$  proving that  $\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  is surjective.

**$A$  is denumerable.** Then  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx A$  so there exist a bijection, hence surjection,  $\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$ .

$2 \Rightarrow 3$ . Given that there exists a surjection  $\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  and  $A \neq \emptyset$  we have by [theorem: 6.9] the existence of an injection  $\alpha: A \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ .

$3 \Rightarrow 4$ . As  $B$  is denumerable we have  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx B$  so there exist a bijection  $\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow B$ . by (3) there exist an injection  $\alpha: A \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ , hence we have the injection  $\beta \circ \alpha: A \rightarrow B$ .

$4 \Rightarrow 1$ . As  $B$  is denumerable there exist a bijection  $\beta: B \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$  so that we have an injection  $\beta \circ \alpha: A \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ . Using [theorem: 2.66] it follows that  $\beta \circ \alpha: A \rightarrow (\beta \circ \alpha)(A) \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$  is a bijection hence

$$A \approx (\beta \circ \alpha)(A) \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0$$

Using [theorem: 6.54] we have that  $(\beta \circ \alpha)(A)$  is either finite or denumerable. If  $(\beta \circ \alpha)(A)$  is finite then there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n \approx (\beta \circ \alpha)(A)$ , hence  $n \approx A$  proving that  $A$  is finite, hence countable. If  $(\beta \circ \alpha)(A)$  is denumerable then  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx (\beta \circ \alpha)(A)$  so that  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx A$  proving that  $A$  is denumerable hence countable. So in all cases we reach the conclusion that  $A$  is countable.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.66.** *If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  is such that  $I$  is denumerable and  $\forall i \in I$   $A_i$  is countable then  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is countable. In other words every union of a denumerable family of countable sets is countable.*

**Proof.** As  $I$  is denumerable there exist a bijection  $\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow I$ . Further as  $\forall i \in I$   $A_i$  is denumerable there exist a surjection  $\alpha_i: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A_i$  [see theorem: 6.65]. Define now the function

$$g: \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ by } g(n, m) = \alpha_{\beta(n)}(m)$$

Now if  $y \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  there exist a  $l \in I$  such that  $y \in A_l$ , as  $\beta$  is bijective there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\beta(n) = l$ . As  $\alpha_l: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A_l$  is a surjection there exist a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\alpha_l(m) = y$ . So

$$g(n, m) = \alpha_{\beta(n)}(m) = \alpha_l(m) = y$$

which proves that

$$g: \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ is surjective}$$

Now by [theorem: 6.56] there exist a bijection  $\gamma: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  so that

$$g \circ \gamma: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ is surjective}$$

Using [theorem: 6.65] it follows that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is countable.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.67.** *If  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  is such that  $I \neq \emptyset \wedge I$  is finite and  $\forall i \in I$   $A_i$  is countable then  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is countable. In other words the union of a finite family of countable sets is countable. If in addition  $\forall i \in I$   $A_i \neq \emptyset$  and  $\forall i, j \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $i \neq j$   $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  then  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is denumerable.*

**Proof.** As  $I$  is finite and non empty there exist  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  and a bijection  $\beta: n_0 \rightarrow I$ . Further as  $\forall i \in I$   $A_i$  is countable there exist a surjection  $\alpha_i: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A_i$  [see theorem: 6.65]. Define now the function

$$g: n_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ by } g(n, m) = \alpha_{\beta(n)}(m)$$

Now if  $y \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  there exist a  $l \in I$  such that  $y \in A_l$ , as  $\beta$  is bijective there exists a  $n \in n_0$  such that  $\beta(n) = l$ . As  $\alpha_l: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A_l$  is a surjection there exist a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\alpha_l(m) = y$ . So

$$g(n, m) = \alpha_{\beta(n)}(m) = \alpha_l(m) = y$$

which proves that

$$g: n_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ is surjective}$$

Now by [theorem: 6.59] there exist a bijection  $\gamma: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow n_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  so that

$$g \circ \gamma: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ is surjective}$$

Using [theorem: 6.65] it follows that

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ is countable}$$

Further if  $\forall i \in I$   $A_i \neq \emptyset$  and  $\forall i, j \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $i \neq j$   $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  then we can use a consequence of the axiom of choice [see theorem: 3.123] to find a function

$$\mathcal{C}: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \text{ such that } \forall i \in I \mathcal{C}(i) \in A_i$$

If  $\mathcal{C}(i) = \mathcal{C}(j)$  then  $\mathcal{C}(i) \in A_i$  and  $\mathcal{C}(i) = \mathcal{C}(j) \in A_j$  so that  $\mathcal{C}(i) \in A_i \cap A_j \Rightarrow A_i \cap A_j \neq \emptyset$ . hence we must have  $i = j$  [if  $i \neq j$  then  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ ]. So  $\mathcal{C}: I \rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is a injection and  $\mathcal{C}: I \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(I)$  is a bijection or  $I \approx \mathcal{C}(I)$ , as  $I$  is countable it follows from [theorem: 6.24] that  $\mathcal{C}(I)$  is denumerable. As  $\mathcal{C}(I) \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  we have by [theorem: 6.27] that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is not finite, so as  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is countable we have  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is denumerable.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.68.** *If  $A, B$  are countable sets then we have  $A \times B$  is countable.*

**Proof.** For  $A, B$  we have the following possibilities:

**A is finite and B is finite.** Then by [theorem: 6.38]  $A \times B$  is finite hence countable.

**A is finite and B is denumerable.** Then by [theorem: 6.60]  $A \times B$  is denumerable hence countable.

**$A$  is denumerable and  $B$  is finite.** Then by [theorem: 6.60]  $A \times B$  is denumerable hence countable.

**$A$  is denumerable and  $B$  is denumerable.** Then by [theorem: 6.58]  $A \times B$  is denumerable hence countable.  $\square$

**Lemma 6.69.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\{A_i\}_{i \in S_n}$  such that  $\forall i \in S_n$   $A_i$  is countable then  $\prod_{i \in S_n} A_i$  is countable.*

**Proof.** We proof this by induction, so define

$$S = \left\{ n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} \mid \text{If } \{A_i\}_{i \in S_n} \text{ satisfies } \forall i \in S_n \text{ } A_i \text{ is countable then } \prod_{i \in S_n} A_i \text{ is countable} \right\}$$

then we have:

**$1 \in S$ .** As  $S_1 = \{0\}$  we can use [example: 2.126] to find a bijection  $\beta: A_0 \rightarrow \prod_{i \in \{0\}} A_i = \prod_{i \in S_1} A_i$  proving that  $A_0 \approx \prod_{i \in S_1} A_i$ , hence  $\prod_{i \in S_1} A_i$  is countable [see theorem" 6.24].

**$n \in S \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S$ .** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in S_{n+1}}$  be such that  $\forall i \in S_{n+1}$   $A_i$  is countable. As  $n \in S$  we have that  $\prod_{i \in S_n} A_i$  is countable, so by [theorem: 6.68] we have that  $(\prod_{i \in S_n} A_i) \times A_n$  is countable. Finally by [theorem: 6.51] we have  $\prod_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i \approx (\prod_{i \in S_n} A_i) \times A_n$  so that  $\prod_{i \in S_{n+1}} A_i$  is countable [see theorem: 6.24]. Hence  $n + 1 \in S$

Mathematical induction proves then that  $S = \{1, \dots, \infty\}$  proving the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.70.** *If  $I$  is non empty and finite and  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  such that  $\forall i \in I$   $A_i$  is countable then  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i$  is countable.*

**Proof.** As  $I$  is finite and non empty there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $n \approx I$  hence there exist a bijection  $f: n = S_n \rightarrow I$ , Using [theorem: 2.131] there exists a bijection  $\beta: \prod_{i \in I} A_i \rightarrow \prod_{i \in S_n} A_{f(i)}$  so that  $\prod_{i \in S_n} A_{f(i)} \approx \prod_{i \in I} A_i$ . Using the previous lemma [lemma: 6.69]  $\prod_{i \in S_n} A_{f(i)}$  is countable, hence by [theorem: 6.24]  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i$  is countable.  $\square$

# Chapter 7

## The integer numbers

In this chapter we will introduce the set of integers and embed the natural numbers in it. Just as with  $\mathbb{N}_0$  we will introduce a order relation, a sum operator, a product operator, neutral elements for addition and multiplication as well as inverse elements. If we would use different symbols to note these we introduce a lot of excessive notation clutter. So we use the same symbols for the natural numbers and integers, and use context to determine the meaning of the symbols involved. A practice also used in programming languages [where it is called 'over loading', the following table should help you in determining the meaning of the different symbols based on the context of there usage.

Context	Expression	Operator
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n+m$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n \cdot m$	product in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n \leq m$	order in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n < m$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n - m$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n + 0$ or $0 + n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$-n$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n+m$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n \cdot m$	product in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \cdot \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n \leq m$	order in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n < m$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n - m$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, - \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n + 0$ or $0 + n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \cdot \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$-n$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$

### 7.1 Definition and arithmetic

One major defect of  $\mathbb{N}_0$  is that  $n - m$ , defined to be the unique natural number such that  $(n - m) + m = n$ , is only defined for  $m \leq n$ . If this limitation did not exist then we can easily find a inverse for a number  $n$ , just take  $-n = 0 - n$ , then  $(-n) + n = (0 - n) + n = 0$ . The purpose of this chapter is to define a new set of numbers, the set of integers, that does not have this defect. One strategy could be that we add to the set of natural numbers the set of numbers of the form  $n - m$  where  $n < m$ . The numbers of the form  $n - m$  where  $m \leq n$  is then the set of non negative integers and represent the set of natural numbers and the numbers  $n - m$  where  $n < m$  forms the set of negative numbers. Of course the expression  $n - m$  is only defined if  $m \leq n$  but that is easily solved by working with pairs. So a integer is of the form  $(n, m)$  where  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , that must be interpreted as representing the **formal** expression  $n - m$  if  $n < m$  and the **real** expression  $n - m$  if  $m \leq n$ . However we encounter then another problem, the representations are not **unique**. For example we know that for the natural number 3 we have that  $3 = 3 - 0 = 4 - 1 = 5 - 2 = 6 - 3, \dots$ , so that  $(3, 0), (4, 1), (5, 2), (6, 3), \dots$ , must all represent the same number 3. How can we see if two representations

of a natural number are the same? If  $(n, m)$  and  $(n', m')$  are representations of the same natural number then  $m \leq n$  and  $m' \leq n'$  and we must have

$$\begin{aligned}
 n - m = n' - m' &\Rightarrow (n - m) + m = (n' - m') + m \\
 &\Rightarrow n = (n' - m') + m \\
 &\Rightarrow n = m + (n' - m') \\
 &\Rightarrow n + m' = (m + (n' - m')) + m' \\
 &\Rightarrow n + m' = m + ((n - m') + m') \\
 &\Rightarrow n + m' = m + n'
 \end{aligned}$$

So  $(n, m)$  and  $(n', m')$  with  $m \leq n$  and  $m' \leq n'$  represent the same number if  $n + m' = m + n'$ . As we don't use subtraction anymore we can extend this test also to the cases where  $n < m$  or  $n' < m'$ . So we say that two representations  $(n, m)$  and  $(n', m')$  represent the same integer if  $n + m' = m + n'$ . Hence if we define the relation  $(n, m) \sim (n', m')$  iff  $n + m' = m + n'$  and prove that is an equivalence relation then the equivalence classes will be our integers.

**Theorem 7.1.** *The relation  $\sim \subseteq (\mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0) \times (\mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0)$  defined by*

$$\sim = \{((n, m), (n', m')) \mid n + m' = m + n'\}$$

*is an equivalence relation.*

**Proof.**

**reflexivity.** If  $(n, m) \in \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $n + m \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{=} m + n$  so that  $(n, m) \sim (n, m)$ .

**symmetry.** If  $(n, m) \sim (n', m')$  then  $n + m' = m + n' \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.33}]}{\Rightarrow} n' + m = m' + n$  so that  $(n', m') \sim (n, m)$ .

**transitivity.** We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (n, m) \sim (n', m') \wedge (n', m') \sim (n'', m'') &\Rightarrow n + m' = m + n' \wedge n' + m'' = m' + n'' \\
 &\Rightarrow (n + m') + (n' + m'') = (m + n') + (m' + n'') \\
 &\Rightarrow (n + m'') + (m' + n') = (m + n'') + (n' + m') \\
 &\Rightarrow (n + m'') + (n' + m') = (m + n'') + (n' + m') \\
 &\Rightarrow (n + m'') = (m + n'')
 \end{aligned}$$

so that  $(n, m) \sim (n'', m'')$ . □

Next we define the set of integers.

**Definition 7.2.** *The set of integers  $\mathbb{Z}$  is defined by  $(\mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0)/\sim$  or in other words*

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{ \sim[(n, m)] \mid (n, m) \in \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0 \}$$

**Theorem 7.3.** *If  $\sim[(n, m)] \in \mathbb{Z}$  then if  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $\sim[(n, m)] = \sim[(n + k, m + k)]$*

**Proof.**  $n + (m + k) = (n + m) + k = (m + n) + k = m + (n + k)$  so that  $(n, m) \sim (n + k, m + k)$ . Hence by [theorem: 3.11]  $\sim[(n, m)] = \sim[(n + k, m + k)]$ . □

**Theorem 7.4.** *If  $\sim[(n, m)], \sim[(r, s)], \sim[(n', m')]$  and  $\sim[(r', s')]$  are elements of  $\mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\sim[(n, m)] = \sim[(n', m')]$  and  $\sim[(r, s)] = \sim[(r', s')]$  then  $\sim[(n + r, m + s)] = \sim[(n' + r', m' + s')]$*

**Proof.** As  $\sim[(n, m)] = \sim[(n', m')]$  and  $\sim[(r, s)] = \sim[(r', s')]$  we have

$$n + m' = m + n' \wedge r + s' = s + r' \tag{7.1}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (n + r) + (m' + s') &= (n + m') + (r + s') \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 7.1}]}{=} (m + n') + (s + r') \\
 &= (m + s) + (n' + r')
 \end{aligned}$$



so that  $(n+r, m+s) \sim (n'+r', m'+s')$  proving that

$$\sim[(n+r, m+s)] = \sim[(n'+r', m'+s')] \quad \square$$

The above theorem ensure that the following definition is well defined:

**Definition 7.5.** The sum operator  $+: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is defined by

$$\sim[(n, m)] + \sim[(r, s)] = \sim[(n+r, m+s)]$$

**Lemma 7.6.** If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then  $\sim[(n, n)] = \sim[(0, 0)]$

**Proof.** As  $n+0 = n+0$  we have  $(n, n) \sim (0, 0)$  so that  $\sim[(n, n)] = \sim[(0, 0)]$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 7.7.**  $(\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle)$  is a Abelian group so

**Associativity.**  $\forall n, m, k \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have  $(n+m) + k = n + (m+k)$ .

**Neutral element.**  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have that  $n+0 = 0+n$  where  $0 = \sim[(0, 0)]$ .

**Inverse element.**  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$  there exist a inverse element  $-n$  such that  $(-n) + n = 0 = n + (-n)$ .  
More specifically if  $x = \sim[(n, m)]$  then  $-x = \sim[(m, n)]$ .

**Commutativity.**  $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $n+m = m+n$ .

**Proof.**

**Associativity.** If  $n = \sim[(n_1, m_1)]$ ,  $m = \sim[(n_2, m_2)]$  and  $k = \sim[(n_3, m_3)]$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (n+m) + k &= (\sim[(n_1, m_1)] + \sim[(n_2, m_2)]) + \sim[(n_3, m_3)] \\ &= \sim[(n_1+n_2, m_1+m_2)] + \sim[(n_3, m_3)] \\ &= \sim[(n_1+n_2+n_3, m_1+m_2+m_3)] \\ &= \sim[(n_1+(n_2+n_3), m_1+(m_2+m_3))] \\ &= \sim[(n_1, m_1)] + \sim[(n_2+n_3, m_2+m_3)] \\ &= \sim[(n_1, m_1)] + (\sim[(n_2, m_2)] + \sim[(n_3, m_3)]) \\ &= n + (m+k) \end{aligned}$$

**Commutativity.** If  $n = \sim[(n_1, m_1)]$  and  $m = \sim[(n_2, m_2)]$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \sim[(n_1, m_1)] + \sim[(n_2, m_2)] &= \sim[(n_1+n_2, m_1+m_2)] \\ &= \sim[(n_2+n_1, m_2+m_1)] \\ &= \sim[(n_2, m_2)] + \sim[(n_1, m_1)] \end{aligned}$$

**Neutral element.** If  $k = \sim[(n, m)] \in \mathbb{Z}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 + k &\stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} k + 0 \\ &= \sim[(n, m)] + \sim[(0, 0)] \\ &= \sim[(n+0, m+0)] \\ &= \sim[(n, m)] \\ &= k \end{aligned}$$

**Inverse element.** If  $k = \sim[(n, m)]$

$$\begin{aligned} k + (-k) &\stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} (-k) + k \\ &= \sim[(m, n)] + \sim[(n, m)] \\ &= \sim[(m+n, n+m)] \\ &= \sim[(n+m, n+m)] \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.6}]}{=} \sim[(0, 0)] \end{aligned}$$

$\square$

The following introduce the difference operator that is now defined for all integers.

**Definition 7.8.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  then we have  $n - m = n + (-m)$

Now to define multiplication in  $\mathbb{Z}$ , note that  $(n, m)$  is to be interpreted as  $n - m$ . So if  $x = (n, m)$  and  $y = (r, s)$  are two integers then  $x \cdot y = (n, m) \cdot (r, s)$  is to be interpreted as the formal expression  $(n - m) \cdot (r - s)$ . Which if we formally evaluate it gives

$$\begin{aligned} (n - m) \cdot (r - s) &= n \cdot r - n \cdot s - m \cdot r + m \cdot s \\ &= n \cdot r + m \cdot s - (m \cdot r + n \cdot s) \end{aligned}$$

which suggest us that  $(n, m) \cdot (r, s)$  should be equal to  $(n \cdot r + m \cdot s, m \cdot r + n \cdot s)$ , of course this is based on the respretation of  $x$  and  $y$ . The next theorem proves that this product is indepent of the representation, allowing us to define the product.

**Theorem 7.9.** If  $\sim[(n, m)], \sim[(r, s)], \sim[(n', m')]$  and  $\sim[(r', s')]$  are elements of  $\mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\sim[(n, m)] = \sim[(n', m')]$  and  $\sim[(r, s)] = \sim[(r', s')]$  then

$$\sim[(n \cdot r + m \cdot s, m \cdot r + n \cdot s)] = \sim[(n' \cdot r' + m' \cdot s', m' \cdot r' + n' \cdot s')]$$

**Proof.** As  $\sim[(n, m)] = \sim[(n', m')] \wedge \sim[(r, s)] = \sim[(r', s')]$  we have

$$n + m' = m + n' \wedge r + s' = s + r' \quad (7.2)$$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned} n \cdot r + m' \cdot r &= (n + m') \cdot r \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 7.2}]}{=} (m + n') \cdot r \\ &= m \cdot r + n' \cdot r \\ m \cdot s + n' \cdot s &= (m + n') \cdot s \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 7.2}]}{=} (n + m') \cdot s \\ &= n \cdot s + m' \cdot s \\ m' \cdot s + m' \cdot r' &= m' \cdot (s + r') \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 7.2}]}{=} m' \cdot (r + s') \\ &= m' \cdot r + m' \cdot s' \\ n' \cdot r + n' \cdot s' &= n' \cdot (r + s') \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 7.2}]}{=} n' \cdot (s + r') \\ &= n' \cdot s + n' \cdot r' \end{aligned}$$

so after summing (underlining common terms).

$$\begin{aligned} n \cdot r + \underbrace{m' \cdot r}_1 + m \cdot s + \underbrace{n' \cdot s}_2 + \underbrace{m' \cdot s}_3 + m' \cdot r' + \underbrace{n' \cdot r}_4 + n' \cdot s' &= \\ m \cdot r + \underbrace{n' \cdot r}_4 + n \cdot s + \underbrace{m' \cdot s}_3 + \underbrace{m' \cdot r}_1 + m' \cdot s' + \underbrace{n' \cdot s}_2 + n' \cdot r' & \end{aligned}$$

Using [theorem: 5.43] to eliminate common terms in the above gives:

$$n \cdot r + m \cdot s + m' \cdot r' + n' \cdot s' = m \cdot r + n \cdot s + m' \cdot s' + n' \cdot r'$$

So that

$$(n \cdot r + m \cdot s, m \cdot r + n \cdot s) \sim (n' \cdot r' + m' \cdot s', m' \cdot r' + n' \cdot s')$$

Hence

$$\sim[(n \cdot r + m \cdot s, m \cdot r + n \cdot s)] = \sim[(n' \cdot r' + m' \cdot s', m' \cdot r' + n' \cdot s')]$$

□

The above theorem ensures that the following definition is sensible.

**Definition 7.10.** The multiplication operator  $\cdot : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is defined by

$$\sim[(n, m)] \cdot \sim[(r, s)] = \sim[(n \cdot r + m \cdot s, m \cdot r + n \cdot s)]$$

**Theorem 7.11.**  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a **integral domain** [definition: 4.34], more specific:

1.  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$  is a **Abelian group** [see: 7.7]
2.  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \cdot \rangle$  is a **Abelian semi-group**.

**Associativity.**  $\forall n, m, k \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have  $n \cdot (m \cdot k) = (n \cdot m) \cdot k$

**Neutral Element.** There exist a  $1 = \sim[(1, 0)]$  such that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $n \cdot 1 = n = 1 \cdot n$ .

**Commutativity.**  $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have  $n \cdot m = m \cdot n$ .

3. Further we have:

**Distributivity.**  $\forall n, m, k \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have  $n \cdot (m + k) = n \cdot m + n \cdot k$

**There does not exist a zero divisor.** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  is such that  $n \cdot m = 0 \Rightarrow n = 0 \vee m = 0$

**Proof.**

1. This is already proved in [theorem: 7.7].
- 2.

**Commutativity.** If  $\sim[(n, m)], \sim[(r, s)] \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sim[(n, m)] \cdot \sim[(r, s)] &= \sim[(n \cdot r + m \cdot s, m \cdot r + n \cdot s)] \\ &= \sim[(r \cdot n + s \cdot m, s \cdot n + r \cdot m)] \\ &= \sim[(r, s)] \cdot \sim[(n, m)] \end{aligned}$$

**Associativity.** Let  $\sim[(a, b)], \sim[(c, d)], \sim[(e, f)] \in \mathbb{Z}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} &\sim[(a, b)] \cdot (\sim[(c, d)] \cdot \sim[(e, f)]) = \\ &\sim[(a, b)] \cdot \sim[(c \cdot e + d \cdot f, d \cdot e + c \cdot f)] = \\ &\sim[(a \cdot (c \cdot e + d \cdot f) + b \cdot (d \cdot e + c \cdot f), b \cdot (c \cdot e + d \cdot f) + a \cdot (d \cdot e + c \cdot f))] = \\ &\sim\left[\left(\underbrace{a \cdot (c \cdot e)}_1 + \underbrace{a \cdot (d \cdot f)}_2 + \underbrace{b \cdot (d \cdot e)}_3 + \underbrace{b \cdot (c \cdot f)}_4, \underbrace{b \cdot (c \cdot e)}_5 + \underbrace{b \cdot (d \cdot f)}_6 + \underbrace{a \cdot (d \cdot e)}_7 + \underbrace{a \cdot (c \cdot f)}_8\right)\right] = \\ &\sim\left[\left(\underbrace{(a \cdot c) \cdot e}_1 + \underbrace{(b \cdot d) \cdot e}_3 + \underbrace{(b \cdot c) \cdot f}_4 + \underbrace{(a \cdot d) \cdot f}_2, \underbrace{(b \cdot c) \cdot e}_5 + \underbrace{(a \cdot d) \cdot e}_7 + \underbrace{(a \cdot c) \cdot f}_8 + \underbrace{(b \cdot d) \cdot f}_6\right)\right] \\ &\sim[(a \cdot c + b \cdot d) \cdot e + (b \cdot c + a \cdot d) \cdot f, (b \cdot c + a \cdot d) \cdot e + (a \cdot c + b \cdot d) \cdot f] = \\ &\sim[(a \cdot c + b \cdot d, b \cdot c + a \cdot d)] \cdot \sim[(e, f)] = \\ &(\sim[(a, b)] \cdot \sim[(c, d)]) \cdot \sim[(e, f)] \end{aligned}$$

**Neutral element.** If  $n = \sim[(n, m)] \in \mathbb{Z}$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} n \cdot 1 &\stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} 1 \cdot n \\ &= \sim[(1, 0)] \cdot \sim[(n, m)] \\ &= \sim[(1 \cdot n + 0 \cdot m, 0 \cdot n + 1 \cdot m)] \\ &= \sim(n, m) \end{aligned}$$

3. Further we have:

**Distributivity.** If  $\sim[(a, b)], \sim[(c, d)], \sim[(e, f)] \in \mathbb{Z}$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sim[(a, b)] \cdot (\sim[(c, d)] + \sim[(e, f)]) = \\
 & \sim[(a, b)] \cdot \sim[(c+e, d+f)] = \\
 & \sim[(a \cdot (c+e) + b \cdot (d+f), b \cdot (c+e) + a \cdot (d+f))] = \\
 & \sim\left[\left(\underbrace{a \cdot c}_1 + \underbrace{a \cdot e}_2 + \underbrace{b \cdot d}_3 + \underbrace{b \cdot f}_4, \underbrace{b \cdot c}_5 + \underbrace{b \cdot e}_6 + \underbrace{a \cdot d}_7 + \underbrace{a \cdot f}_8\right)\right] = \\
 & \sim\left[\left(\underbrace{a \cdot c}_1 + \underbrace{b \cdot d}_3 + \underbrace{a \cdot e}_2 + \underbrace{b \cdot f}_4, \underbrace{b \cdot c}_5 + \underbrace{a \cdot d}_7 + \underbrace{b \cdot e}_6 + \underbrace{a \cdot f}_8\right)\right] = \\
 & \sim[(a \cdot c + b \cdot d, b \cdot c + a \cdot d)] + \sim[(a \cdot e + b \cdot f, b \cdot e + a \cdot f)] = \\
 & \sim[(a, b)] \cdot \sim[(c, d)] + \sim[(a, b)] \cdot \sim[(e, f)] =
 \end{aligned}$$

**There does not exist a zero divisor.** Let  $n = \sim\{(a, b)\}$ ,  $m = \sim[(c, d)]$  such that  $n \cdot m = 0$  then

$$\sim[(a, b)] \cdot \sim[(c, d)] = \sim[(a \cdot c + b \cdot d, b \cdot c + a \cdot d)] = \sim[(0, 0)]$$

so we have that  $(a \cdot c + b \cdot d) + 0 = (b \cdot c + a \cdot d) + 0$  giving

$$a \cdot c + b \cdot d = b \cdot c + a \cdot d \quad (7.3)$$

Assume that  $n \neq 0$  then  $\sim[(a, b)] \neq \sim[(0, 0)]$  so that  $a + 0 \neq b + 0$  so that  $a \neq b$ , hence we have the following cases to consider:

**$a < b$ .** Then using [theorem: 5.60] there exists a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $a + k = b$ , so substituting this in [eq: 7.3] gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 a \cdot c + (a + k) \cdot d &= (a + k) \cdot c + a \cdot d & \Rightarrow \\
 \underbrace{a \cdot c}_1 + \underbrace{a \cdot d}_2 + k \cdot d &= \underbrace{a \cdot c}_1 + k \cdot c + \underbrace{a \cdot d}_2 & \Rightarrow \\
 k \cdot d &= k \cdot c & \xRightarrow{k \neq 0 \wedge [\text{theorem: 5.76}]} \\
 d &= c
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } m = \sim[(c, d)] = \sim[(d, d)] \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.6}]}{=} \sim[(0, 0)] = 0.$$

**$b < a$ .** Then using [theorem: 5.60] there exists a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $b + k = a$ , so substituting this in [eq: 7.3] gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 (b + k) \cdot c + b \cdot d &= b \cdot c + (b + k) \cdot d & \Rightarrow \\
 \underbrace{b \cdot c}_1 + k \cdot c + \underbrace{b \cdot d}_2 &= \underbrace{b \cdot c}_1 + \underbrace{b \cdot d}_2 + k \cdot d & \Rightarrow \\
 k \cdot c &= k \cdot d & \xRightarrow{k \neq 0 \wedge [\text{theorem: 5.76}]} \\
 c &= d
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } m = \sim[(c, d)] = \sim[(d, d)] \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.6}]}{=} \sim[(0, 0)] = 0.$$

So if  $n \cdot m = 0$  then we have either  $n \neq 0$  but then  $m = 0$  or  $n = 0$  proving that  $n \cdot m = 0 \Rightarrow n = 0 \vee m = 0$ .  $\square$

**Example 7.12.**  $1 + 1 = 2$  where  $2 = \sim[(2, 0)]$

**Proof.**  $1 + 1 = \sim[(1, 0)] + \sim[(1, 0)] = \sim[(1 + 1, 0 + 0)] = \sim[(1 + 1, 0)] \stackrel{[\text{example: 5.28}]}{=} \sim[(2, 0)] = 2$   $\square$

**Lemma 7.13.**  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  we have that  $\sim[(n, 0)] \neq 0$

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction so assume that  $\sim[(n, 0)] = 0 = \sim[(0, 0)]$  then  $n + 0 = 0 \Rightarrow n = 0$  contradicting  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$ . So  $\sim[(n, 0)] \neq 0$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 7.14.**  $\forall z \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $z = -z$  we have  $z = 0$

**Proof.** If  $z = -z$  we have that  $z + z = (-z) + z = 0$ . So  $(1 + 1) \cdot z = z \cdot 1 + z \cdot 1 = z + z = 0$ , hence

$$(1 + 1) \cdot z = 0$$

As  $1 + 1 = \sim[(1, 0)] + \sim[(1, 0)] = \sim[(2, 0)]$  and  $2 \neq 0$  we have by [corollary: 7.13] that  $1 + 1 \neq 0$ , using [theorem: 7.11] on the above proves then that  $z = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 7.15.** Let  $n, k, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $r \neq 0$  then  $n \cdot r = k \cdot r$  implies  $n = k$ .

**Proof.**

$$\begin{aligned} n \cdot r = k \cdot r &\Rightarrow n \cdot r + (-(k \cdot r)) = (k \cdot r) + (-(k \cdot r)) \\ &\Rightarrow n \cdot r + (-(k \cdot r)) = 0 \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{\Rightarrow} n \cdot r + (-k) \cdot r = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow (n + (-k)) \cdot r = 0 \end{aligned}$$

As by [theorem: 7.11]  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a integral domain and  $r \neq 0$  we have  $n + (-k) = 0$  so that  $(n + (-k)) + k = 0 + k$  or  $n + ((-k) + k) = k$  proving  $n = k$ .  $\square$

## 7.2 Order relation on the set of integers

First we define the set of non negative integers.

**Definition 7.16.**  $\mathbb{Z}_0^+ = \{\sim[(n, 0)] \mid n \in \mathbb{N}_0\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$

We have the following properties for the set on non negative integers.

**Theorem 7.17.** We have the following:

1.  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, + \rangle$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$  [hence by [theorem: 4.14]  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, + \rangle$  is a Abelian semi-group].
2.  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \cdot \rangle$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \cdot \rangle$  [hence by [theorem: 4.14]  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \cdot \rangle$  is a Abelian semi-group].
3. For  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  defined by  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n) = \sim[(n, 0)]$  we have that
  - a.  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, + \rangle$  is a group isomorphism
  - b.  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \cdot \rangle$  is a group isomorphism
4. For every  $z \in \mathbb{Z} \exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  such that  $z = x - y$

**Proof.**

1. Let  $z, z' \in \mathbb{Z}$  then  $z = \sim[(n, 0)]$  and  $z' = \sim[(n', 0)]$  so that

$$z + z' = \sim[(n, 0)] + \sim[(n', 0)] = \sim[(n + n', 0 + 0)] = \sim[(n + n', 0)] \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$$

further

$$0 = \sim[(0, 0)] \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+.$$

Using [definition: 4.12] it follows that  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, + \rangle$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$ .

2. Let  $z, z' \in \mathbb{Z}$  then  $z = \sim[(n, 0)]$  and  $z' = \sim[(n', 0)]$  so that

$$z \cdot z' = \sim[(n, 0)] \cdot \sim[(n', 0)] = \sim[(n \cdot n' + 0 \cdot 0, 0 \cdot n' + n \cdot 0)] = \sim[(n \cdot n', 0)] \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$$

further

$$1 = \sim[(1, 0)] \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$$

Using [definition: 4.12] it follows that  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, + \rangle$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$ .

3. First we show that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}$  is a bijection:

**injectivity.** If  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n) = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(m)$  then  $\sim[(n, 0)] = \sim[(m, 0)]$  so that  $n + 0 = 0 + m \Rightarrow n = m$ .

**surjectivity.** If  $z \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $z = \sim[(n, 0)] = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n)$ .

Next we have:

- a. First  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n + m) = \sim[(n + m, 0)] = \sim[(n, 0)] + \sim[(m, 0)] = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n) + i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(m)$ .  
Secondly  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(0) = \sim[(0, 0)] = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$ .
- b. First

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n) \cdot i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(m) &= \sim[(n, 0)] \cdot \sim[(m, 0)] \\ &= \sim[(n \cdot m + 0 \cdot m, 0 \cdot n + n \cdot 0)] \\ &= \sim[(n \cdot m, 0)] \\ &= i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n \cdot m) \end{aligned}$$

Second  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(1) = \sim[(1, 0)] = 1 \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$ .

4. Let  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$  then  $z = \sim[(n, m)]$ , take  $x = \sim[(n, 0)] \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  and  $y = \sim[(m, 0)] \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  then we have

$$x - y = x + (-y) = \sim[(n, 0)] + \sim[(0, m)] = \sim[(n, m)] = z \quad \square$$

Next we define the set of non positive numbers.

**Definition 7.18.**  $\mathbb{Z}_0^- = \{-n | n \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+\} = \{(0, n) | n \in \mathbb{N}_0\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$

**Definition 7.19.**  $\mathbb{Z}^+ = \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}^- = \mathbb{Z}_0^- \setminus \{0\}$

The following theorem shows the relation between  $\mathbb{Z}_0^+$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_0^-$ .

**Theorem 7.20.**  $\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cup \mathbb{Z}_0^-$  and  $\{0\} = \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cap \mathbb{Z}_0^-$

**Proof.** As  $\mathbb{Z}_0^+ \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_0^- \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$  it follows that

$$\mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cup \mathbb{Z}_0^- \subseteq \mathbb{Z} \quad (7.4)$$

Let  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$  then  $\exists n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $z = \sim[(n, m)]$  then for  $n, m$  we have either:

$n \leq m$ . then using [theorem: 5.62] there exist a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $m = n + k$  so that

$$z = \sim[(n, n + k)] \quad (7.5)$$

Now for  $(0, k)$  and  $(n, n + k)$  we have  $0 + (n + k) = n + k$  so that  $(0, k) \sim (n, n + k)$  proving that  $\sim[(0, k)] = \sim[(n, n + k)] \stackrel{\text{eq: 7.5}}{=} z$ , proving that  $z \in \mathbb{Z}_0^- \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cup \mathbb{Z}_0^-$ .

$m < n$ . Then using [theorem: 5.62] there exist a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n = m + k$  so that

$$z = \sim[(m + k, m)] \quad (7.6)$$

Now for  $(k, 0)$  and  $(m + k, m)$  we have  $k + m = 0 + m + k$  so that  $(k, 0) \sim (m + k, m)$  proving that  $\sim[(k, 0)] = \sim[(m + k, m)] \stackrel{\text{eq: 7.6}}{=} z$ , proving that  $z \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cup \mathbb{Z}_0^-$ .

From the above we have  $\mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cup \mathbb{Z}_0^-$  which by [eq: 7.4] proves that

$$\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cup \mathbb{Z}_0^-$$

As  $0 = \sim[(0, 0)] \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  and  $0 = \sim[(0, 0)] \in \mathbb{Z}_0^-$  we have that  $\{0\} \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cap \mathbb{Z}_0^-$ . Let  $z \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cap \mathbb{Z}_0^-$  then there exists  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $z = \sim[(n, 0)] = \sim[(0, m)]$  hence  $n + 0 = 0 + m \Rightarrow n = m$ . So  $z = \sim[(n, 0)] = \sim[(0, n)] = -z$ . Applying then [theorem: 7.14] it follows that  $z = 0$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cap \mathbb{Z}_0^- \subseteq \{0\}$ . Hence

$$\mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cap \mathbb{Z}_0^- = \{0\} \quad \square$$

We can now define a order relation on  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

**Theorem 7.21.**  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle$  where

$$\leq = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \mid y + (-x) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+\}$$

is a totally ordered set.

**Proof.**

**reflexivity.** If  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  then  $x + (-x) = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  so that  $x \leq x$ .

**anti symmetry.** Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq x$  then

$$y + (-x) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \quad \wedge \quad x + (-y) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$$

then  $\exists n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that

$$y + (-x) = \sim[(n, 0)] \wedge x + (-y) = \sim[(m, 0)]$$

so taking the sum we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sim[0, 0] &= 0 \\ &= y + (-x) + x + (-y) \\ &= \sim[(n, 0)] + \sim[(m, 0)] \\ &= \sim[(n + m, 0)] \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $0 + 0 = 0 + n + m$  so that  $n + m = 0$  which by [theorem: 5.57] proves that  $n = m = 0$  so that  $y + (-x) = \sim[(n, 0)] = \sim[(0, 0)] = 0$ . Hence  $y = y + (-x) = x = 0 + x$  from which it follows that  $y = x$ .

**transitivity.** If  $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq z$  then  $y + (-x) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  and  $z + (-y) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} z + (-x) &= (z + (-x)) + 0 \\ &= (z + (-x)) + (y + (-y)) \\ &= (y + (-x)) + (z + (-y)) \end{aligned}$$

which as  $y + (-x), z + (-y) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  proves by [theorem: 7.17] that  $z + (-x) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  proving that  $x \leq z$ .

**total ordering.** If  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then we have for  $x + (-y) \in \mathbb{Z} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.20}]}{=} \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cup \mathbb{Z}_0^-$  either:

$x + (-y) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$ . Then  $y \leq x$

$x + (-y) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^-$ . Then  $-(x + (-y)) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$ , further

$$\begin{aligned} -(x + (-y)) &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.8}]}{=} -x + (-(-y)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.9}]}{=} -x + y \\ &= y + (-x) \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $x \leq y$ . □

**Theorem 7.22.**  $\mathbb{Z}_0^+ = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 0 \leq x\}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_0^- = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \leq 0\}$

**Proof.** First we have

$$x + (-0) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.9}]}{=} x + 0 = x \tag{7.7}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 7.7}]}{\Leftrightarrow} x + (-0) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \\ &\Leftrightarrow 0 \leq x \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 0 \leq x\} \end{aligned}$$

proving

$$\mathbb{Z}_0^+ = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 0 \leq x\}$$

Further

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \mathbb{Z}_0^- &\Leftrightarrow -x \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \\ &\Leftrightarrow 0 + (-x) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \leq 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \leq 0\} \end{aligned}$$

proving

$$\mathbb{Z}_0^- = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \leq 0\}$$

□

**Theorem 7.23.** *If  $x = \sim[n, m] \in \mathbb{Z}$  then we have*

1.  $0 \leq x \Leftrightarrow m \leq n$
2.  $0 < x \Leftrightarrow m < n$
3. *If  $0 < x$  then  $1 \leq x$*

**Proof.**

1.

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq x &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.22}]}{\Leftrightarrow} x \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ such that } x = \sim[(k, 0)] \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ such that } n + 0 = m + k \Leftrightarrow n = m + k \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 5.62}]}{\Leftrightarrow} m \leq n \end{aligned}$$

2. First

$$\begin{aligned} x \neq 0 &\Leftrightarrow \sim[(n, m)] \neq \sim[(0, 0)] \\ &\Leftrightarrow n + 0 \neq m + 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow n \neq m \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < x &\Leftrightarrow x \neq 0 \wedge 0 \leq x \\ &\Leftrightarrow n \neq m \wedge 0 \leq x \\ &\stackrel{(1)}{\Leftrightarrow} n \neq m \wedge m \leq n \\ &\Leftrightarrow m < n \end{aligned}$$

3. If  $0 < x$  then by (2)  $m < n$  so that by [theorem: 5.50]

$$m + 1 \leq n.$$

Now

$$x + (-1) = \sim[(n, m)] + \sim[(0, 1)] = \sim[(n, m + 1)]$$

so that  $0 \leq x + (-1)$ , hence  $x + (-1) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  from which we conclude that

$$1 \leq x$$

□

**Corollary 7.24.**  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $0 \leq \sim[(n, 0)]$  further if  $n \neq 0$  then  $0 < \sim[(n, 0)]$

**Proof.** By [theorem: 5.46] we have  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  that  $0 \leq n$  so that by [theorem: 7.23] [ $0 \leq \sim[(n, 0)]$ ], further if  $n \neq 0$  then  $0 < n$ , hence by [theorem: 7.23] we have that  $0 < \sim[(n, 0)]$  □

**Example 7.25.**  $0 < 1$  and  $0 < 2$  where  $1, 2 \in \mathbb{Z}$



**Proof.** This follows directly from [corollary: 7.24] and the fact that for  $1, 2 \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $0 < 1$  and  $0 < 2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 7.26.** *If  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $0 < x \wedge 0 < y$  then  $0 < x \cdot y$ .*

**Proof.** If  $x = \sim[(n, m)]$  and  $y = \sim[(r, s)]$  then by [theorem: 7.23] we have  $m < n$  and  $s < r$  so by [theorem: 5.60] there exists  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $n = m + k$  and  $r = s + l$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} n \cdot r + m \cdot s &= (m + k) \cdot (s + l) + m \cdot s \\ &= \underbrace{m \cdot s}_1 + \underbrace{m \cdot l}_2 + \underbrace{k \cdot s}_3 + k \cdot l + \underbrace{m \cdot s}_4 \\ m \cdot r + n \cdot s &= m \cdot (s + l) + (m + k) \cdot s \\ &= \underbrace{m \cdot s}_1 + \underbrace{m \cdot l}_2 + \underbrace{m \cdot s}_4 + \underbrace{k \cdot s}_3 \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$n \cdot r + m \cdot s = m \cdot r + n \cdot s + k \cdot l$$

As  $0 \neq k \Rightarrow 0 < k$  and  $0 \neq l \Rightarrow 0 < l$  it follows from [theorem: 5.75] that  $0 < k \cdot l$  so that  $k \cdot l \neq 0$ , using the above together with [theorem: 5.61] proves that

$$m \cdot r + n \cdot s < n \cdot r + m \cdot s \quad (7.8)$$

now

$$x \cdot y = \sim[(n \cdot r + m \cdot s, m \cdot r + n \cdot s)]$$

Combining the above with [eq: 7.8] and [theorem: 7.23] proves finally:

$$0 < x \cdot y \quad \square$$

**Theorem 7.27.**  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot, \leq \rangle$  is a ordered integral domain [definition: 4.49]

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 7.11]  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a integral domain and using [theorem: 7.21] we have that  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered. Next

1. For  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $n < m$  we have

$$m + (-n) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \text{ and } n \neq m \Rightarrow n + k \neq m + k \quad (7.9)$$

Further

$$\begin{aligned} (m + k) + (-(n + k)) &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.8}]}{=} (m + k) + ((-n) + (-k)) \\ &\stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} (m + k) + ((-k) + (-n)) \\ &\stackrel{\text{associativity}}{=} m + (k + ((-k) + (-n))) \\ &\stackrel{\text{associativity}}{=} m + ((k + (-k)) + (-n)) \\ &= m + (0 + (-n)) \\ &= m + (-n) \end{aligned}$$

which by [eq: 7.9] proves that  $(m + k) + (-(n + k)) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$ . Hence  $n + k \leq m + k$  and  $n + k \neq m + k$  proving that

$$n + k < m + k$$

2. Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $0 < m$  and  $0 < m$  then by [theorem: 7.26] we have  $0 < n \cdot m$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 7.28.** *Let  $c, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $x < y$  then*

1.  $x + 1 \leq y$
2.  $x \leq y + (-1)$

**Proof.**

1. If  $x < y$  then by [theorems 7.27, 4.50]  $0 < y + (-x)$ , using [theorem: 7.23] we have  $1 \leq y + (-x)$  so that using [theorem: 7.23]  $x + 1 \leq (y + (-x)) + x = y$ .
2. By (1)  $x + 1 \leq y$  so that by [theorem: 7.23]  $x = (x + 1) + (-1) \leq y + (-1)$   $\square$

**Theorem 7.29.** Define  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  by  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n) = \sim[(n, 0)]$  then

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 7.17 (3)] it follows that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \text{ is a bijection}$$

Further we have:

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(x) \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(y) &\Leftrightarrow i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(y) + (-i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(x)) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sim[(y, 0)] + (-\sim[(x, 0)]) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sim[(y, 0)] + \sim[(0, x)] \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sim[(y, x)] \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.23}]}{\Leftrightarrow} x \leq y \end{aligned}$$

$\square$

The above theorem allows us to transfer properties of  $\mathbb{N}_0$  to  $\mathbb{Z}_0^+$  as is expressed in the following theorems.

**Theorem 7.30. (Archimedean property)** If  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $0 < x$  then there exist a  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  such that  $y < k \cdot x$ .

**Proof.** We have the following cases for  $y$ :

**$y \leq 0$ .** Take  $k = 1 \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  then as  $y \leq 0 < x = 1 \cdot x = k \cdot x$  proving that  $y < k \cdot x$

**$0 < y$ .** Then  $y \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$ . Using [theorem: 7.17]  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \cdot \rangle$  defined by  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n) = \sim[(n, 0)]$  is a group isomorphism. Take  $n = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}(x)$  and  $m = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}(y)$  then  $x = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n)$  and  $n \neq 0$  [otherwise  $x = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n) = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(0) = 0$ ]. Using the Archimedean property of the natural numbers [see theorem: 5.77] there exists a  $l \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $m < l \cdot n$ . So by [theorem: 7.29] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(m) < i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(l \cdot n) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.17}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(l) \cdot i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n) \quad (7.10)$$

Take  $k = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(l) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  then as  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n) = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}(x)) = x$  and  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(m) = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}(y)) = y$  we have by [eq: 7.10] that

$$y < k \cdot x \quad \square$$

**Theorem 7.31.**  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \leq \rangle$  is a well-ordered set

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 7.29] we have that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  is a order isomorphism, further by [theorem: 5.51]  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered. so using [theorem: 3.87] we conclude that

$$\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \leq \rangle \text{ is well ordered} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 7.32.**  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete [see definition: 3.74].

**Proof.** As by [theorem: 7.31]  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \leq \rangle$  is well-ordered it follows from [theorem: 3.81] it follows that  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete.  $\square$

**Theorem 7.33.** If  $A \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  is such that  $A \neq \emptyset$  and  $\sup(A)$  exists then  $\sup(A) \in A$ .

**Proof.** By [theorem: 7.29]

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

which by [theorem: 3.54] means that

$$(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}: \langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

Assume that  $M = \sup(A)$  exists then by [theorem: 3.76]  $\sup((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}(A))$  exist and  $\sup((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}(A)) = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}(M)$ . By [theorem: 5.72] we have that  $\sup((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}(A)) \in (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}(A)$  so that  $(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}(M) \in (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}(A)$ , hence  $M = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}(M)) \in (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})^{-1}(A)) = A$  or

$$\sup(A) \in A$$

□

**Definition 7.34. (Absolute Value)** If  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  then  $|x|$  is defined by

$$|x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 7.35.** If  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  then  $|x \cdot y| = |x| \cdot |y|$

**Proof.** We have the following possibilities for  $x, y$ :

$0 \leq x \wedge 0 \leq y$ . Then  $|x| = x$  and  $|y| = y$ . Further by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50]  $0 = 0 \cdot y \leq x \cdot y$ , hence  $x \cdot y = |x \cdot y|$ . So we have that  $|x \cdot y| = |x| \cdot |y|$ .

$0 \leq x \wedge y < 0$ . Then  $x = |x|$  and  $-y = |y|$ , further by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50]  $x \cdot y \leq 0 \cdot y = 0$ , hence  $|x \cdot y| = -(x \cdot y)$ . So

$$|x| \cdot |y| = x \cdot (-y) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} -(x \cdot y) = |x \cdot y|.$$

$x < 0 \wedge 0 \leq y$ . Then  $-x = |x|$  and  $y = |y|$ , further by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50]  $x \cdot y \leq 0 \cdot y = 0$ , hence  $|x \cdot y| = -(x \cdot y)$ . So

$$|x| \cdot |y| = (-x) \cdot y \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} -(x \cdot y) = |x \cdot y|$$

$x < 0 \wedge y < 0$ . Then  $-x = |x|$ ,  $-y = |y|$ , further by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50]  $0 = 0 \cdot y < x \cdot y$ , hence  $|x \cdot y| = x \cdot y$ . So

$$|x| \cdot |y| = (-x) \cdot (-y) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} -(-(x \cdot y)) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.9}]}{=} x \cdot y = |x \cdot y|$$

□

**Theorem 7.36.** If  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  then  $x \leq |x|$

**Proof.** If  $0 \leq x$  then  $x = |x|$  so that trivially  $x \leq |x|$ , if  $x < 0$  then by [theorem: 7.23]  $0 < -x = |x|$  so that by transitivity  $x < |x|$  or  $x \leq |x|$ . □

**Theorem 7.37.**  $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have  $|x| = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0$

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $x = 0$  then  $x \leq 0$  so that  $|x| = x = 0$  hence  $|q| = 0$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $|x| = 0$  then if  $x < 0$  we would have  $-x = |x| = 0$  so that  $-x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$  contradicting  $x < 0$ . So we must have  $0 \leq x$ , hence  $x = |x| = 0$  proving that  $x = 0$ . □

We introduce now division, just as was done for the natural numbers.

**Theorem 7.38. (Division Algorithm)** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $0 < n$  then there exists **unique**  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$ ,  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $0 \leq r < n$  and  $m = n \cdot q + r$

**Proof.** First we prove existence, let  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $0 < n$ . Define

$$A_{n,m} = \{m + n \cdot q \mid q \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge 0 \leq m + n \cdot q\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_0^+.$$

Using the Archimedean property of  $\mathbb{Z}$  [see theorem: 7.30] there exist a  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  such that  $-m < n \cdot k$ , using [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] it follows that  $0 < n \cdot k + (-(-m)) = n \cdot k + m = m + n \cdot k$  proving that  $m + n \cdot k \in A_{n,m}$ , hence  $A_{n,m} \neq \emptyset$ . As  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \leq \rangle$  is well-ordered [see theorem: 7.31]  $A_{n,m}$  has a least element, hence

$$\exists r' \in A_{n,m} \text{ such that } \forall a \in A_{n,m} \text{ we have } r' \leq a \quad (7.11)$$

As  $r' \in A_{n,m}$  there exist a  $q' \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$r' = m + n \cdot q' \text{ and } 0 \leq r' \quad (7.12)$$

Assume that  $n < r'$  then by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50]  $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $r' = n + k$ . Hence  $m + n \cdot q' = n + k$  so that  $0 < k = m + n \cdot q' + (-n) = m + (q' - 1) \cdot n$  proving that  $k \in A_{n,m}$ . Now  $0 < n \xrightarrow{\text{[theorems: 7.27, 4.50]}} k < n + k = r' \Rightarrow k < r'$ , as  $k \in A_{n,m}$  we have by [eq: 7.11]  $r' \leq k$ , giving the contradiction  $k < k$ . So we must have that  $r' \leq n$  or

**$r' = n$ .** In this case we have that  $m + n \cdot q' = r' = n$ , hence

$$m = n + (-n \cdot q') = n \cdot 1 + n \cdot (-q') = n \cdot (1 + (-q'))$$

So by taking  $q = (1 + (-q'))$  and  $r = 0 < n$  we have

$$m = n \cdot q + r \text{ and } 0 \leq r < n$$

**$r' < n$ .** Then as  $r' = m + n \cdot q'$  we have  $m = r' + (-n \cdot q') = r' + n \cdot (-q')$ , so taking  $q = -q'$  and  $r = r'$  then

$$m = n \cdot q + r \text{ and } 0 \leq r' < n$$

Now for uniqueness assume that there exists  $q_1, q_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  such that

$$m = n \cdot q_1 + r_1 \wedge m = n \cdot q_2 + r_2 \wedge 0 \leq r_1 < n \wedge 0 \leq r_2 < n$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} n \cdot q_1 + r_1 &= n \cdot q_2 + r_2 \Rightarrow n \cdot q_1 + (-n \cdot q_2) = r_2 + (-r_1) \\ &\Rightarrow n \cdot (q_1 + (-q_2)) = r_2 + (-r_1) \end{aligned} \quad (7.13)$$

$$\begin{aligned} n \cdot q_1 + r_1 &= n \cdot q_2 + r_2 \Rightarrow n \cdot q_2 + (-n \cdot q_1) = r_1 + (-r_2) \\ &\Rightarrow n \cdot (q_2 + (-q_1)) = r_1 + (-r_2) \end{aligned} \quad (7.14)$$

Assume now that  $r_1 \neq r_2$  then we have either:

**$r_1 < r_2$ .** Then by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50]  $0 < r_2 + (-r_1) \xrightarrow{\text{[eq: 7.13]}} n \cdot (q_1 + (-q_2))$ , hence  $0 \cdot n < (q_1 + (-q_2)) \cdot n$  as  $0 < n$  we must have by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] that  $0 < q_1 + (-q_2)$ . Using [theorem: 7.23] we have

$$1 \leq q_1 + (-q_2) \quad (7.15)$$

As  $r_2 < n$  we have by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] that  $r_2 + (-r_1) < n + (-r_1)$ , further as  $(-r_1) \leq 0$  we have by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] that  $n + (-r_1) \leq n$  so that  $r_2 + (-r_1) < n$ . Using this with [eq: 7.13] gives  $n \cdot (q_1 + (-q_2)) < n = 1 \cdot n$ , hence using [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] we have that  $q_2 + (-q_1) < 1$ , contradicting [eq: 7.15]. So this case never occurs.

**$r_2 < r_1$ .** Then by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50]  $0 < r_1 + (-r_2) \xrightarrow{\text{[eq: 7.14]}} n \cdot (q_2 + (-q_1))$ , hence  $0 \cdot n < (q_2 + (-q_1)) \cdot n$  as  $0 < n$  we must have by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] that  $0 < q_2 + (-q_1)$ . Using [theorem: 7.23] we have

$$1 \leq q_2 + (-q_1) \quad (7.16)$$

As  $r_1 < n$  we have by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] that  $r_1 + (-r_2) < n + (-r_2)$ , further as  $(-r_2) \leq 0$  we have by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] that  $n + (-r_2) \leq n$  so that  $r_1 + (-r_2) < n$ . Using this with [eq: 7.14] gives  $n \cdot (q_2 + (-q_1)) < n = 1 \cdot n$ , hence using [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] we have that  $q_1 + (-q_2) < 1$ , contradicting [eq: 7.16]. So this case never occurs.

As all the cases lead to a contradiction the assumption  $r_1 \neq r_2$  is wrong. Hence

$$r_1 = r_2$$

So  $n \cdot q_1 + r_1 \stackrel{r_1=r_2}{=} n \cdot q_2 + r_1$  giving, by adding  $-r_1$  to both sides, that  $n \cdot q_1 = n \cdot q_2$ . Applying [theorem: 7.15] proves then

$$q_1 = q_2 \quad \square$$

**Definition 7.39.** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  then we say that  $n$  divides  $m$  noted as  $n|m$  if there exist a  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $q \cdot n = m$ , we call  $n$  a **divisor** of  $m$ .

**Example 7.40.** Every integer is a divisor of 0.

**Proof.** If  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  then  $n \cdot 0 = 0$   $\square$

**Example 7.41.** If  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  then  $1|n$

**Proof.** As  $1 \cdot n = n$  we have by definition  $1|n$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 7.42.** Let  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  then if  $n|m$  we have that  $(-n)|m$ . In other words if  $n$  is a divisor of  $m$  then  $-n$  is a divisor of  $m$ . As  $|n| = \begin{cases} -n & \text{if } n < 0 \\ n & \text{if } 0 \leq n \end{cases}$  we have also that  $n|m \Rightarrow |n||m|$

**Proof.** If  $n|m$  then there exist a  $q$  such that  $n \cdot q = m$ , then  $(-n) \cdot (-q) = n \cdot q = m$  so that  $(-n)|m$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 7.43.** If  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$  a divisor of  $m$  then there exists a **unique**  $q$  such that  $n \cdot q = m$

**Proof.** Existence follows from the definition of divisor. Now for uniqueness assume that  $q_1, q_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $n \cdot q_1 = m = n \cdot q_2$  then by [theorem: 7.15]  $q_1 = q_2$ .  $\square$

**Definition 7.44.** If  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$  then the unique number  $q$  such that  $m = n \cdot q$  is called the **quotient** of  $n$  and  $m$  and is noted as  $\frac{m}{n}$ . So  $n \cdot \frac{m}{n} = m$ .

**Definition 7.45. (Common Divisor)** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  then  $d$  is a **common divisor** of  $n$  and  $m$  if  $d|n$  and  $d|m$ .

**Lemma 7.46.** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $m \neq 0$  and  $n|m$  then  $n \leq |m|$

**Proof.** As  $n|m$  there exist a  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $n \cdot q = m$ , as  $m \neq 0$  we must have  $q \neq 0$  [otherwise  $m = n \cdot q = 0$ ]. For  $n, m$  we have now the following possibilities to consider:

$0 < m \wedge n \leq 0$ . In this case we have  $n \leq 0 < m \leq |m|$  so that  $n \leq |m|$

$0 < m \wedge 0 < n$ . If  $q \leq 0 \Rightarrow q < 0 \stackrel{0 < n \wedge [\text{theorems: 7.27, 4.50}]}{\Rightarrow} q \cdot n < 0 \cdot n = 0$  so that  $m = q \cdot n < 0$  contradicting  $0 < m$ , hence we must have that  $0 < q$ . Using [theorem: 7.23] we have  $1 \leq q$  so that by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50]  $n = 1 \cdot n \leq q \cdot n = m = |m|$ , hence  $n \leq |m|$ .

$m < 0 \wedge n \leq 0$ . Then  $0 < -m = |m|$  so that  $n \leq 0 < |m|$  giving  $n \leq |m|$ .

$m < 0 \wedge 0 < n$ . If  $0 \leq q \Rightarrow 0 < q \stackrel{0 < n \wedge [\text{theorems: 7.27, 4.50}]}{\Rightarrow} 0 = 0 \cdot n < q \cdot n = m$  contradicting  $m < 0$ , hence  $q < 0$ , so that  $0 < -q$ . Using [theorem: 7.23] we have then

$$1 \leq -q \stackrel{[\text{theorems: 7.27, 4.50}]}{\Rightarrow} n = 1 \cdot n \leq (-q) \cdot n = -(q \cdot n) = |m|$$

proving that  $n \leq |m|$ .

So in all cases we have

$$n \leq |m| \quad \square$$

**Theorem 7.47.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $n \neq 0$  then  $\max(\{d \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ | d \text{ is a common divisor of } n \text{ and } m\})$  exist and  $0 < 1 \leq \max(\{d \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ | d \text{ is a common divisor of } n \text{ and } m\})$

**Proof.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and define  $D_{n,m} = \{d \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \mid d \text{ is a common divisor of } n \text{ and } m\}$ . By [example: 7.41] 1 is a common divisor of  $n$  and  $m$ , which as  $0 < 1$  means that  $1 \in D_{n,m}$  so that  $D_{n,m} \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $d \in D_{n,m}$  then as  $d \mid n$  and  $n \neq 0$  we have by [lemma: 7.46] that  $d \leq |n|$  so that  $D_{n,m}$  has a upper bound. As  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete [see theorem: 7.32] it follows that  $\max(D_{n,m})$  exist.  $\square$

The above theorem ensures that the following definition is well defined,

**Definition 7.48.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  with  $n \neq 0$  then

$$\gcd(n, m) = \max(\{d \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \mid d \text{ is a common divisor of } n \text{ and } m\}) \geq 1 > 0$$

$\gcd(n, m)$  is called the **greatest common divisor** of  $n$  and  $m$ .

**Theorem 7.49.** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $m \neq 0$  then we have

1.  $\{d \in \mathbb{Z} \mid d \mid n / \gcd(n, m) \wedge d \mid m / \gcd(n, m)\} = \{1, -1\}$
2.  $\gcd(n / \gcd(n, m), m / \gcd(n, m)) = 1$

**Proof.** As  $\gcd(n, m) \mid n$  and  $\gcd(n, m) \mid m$  the quotients  $n / \gcd(n, m)$  and  $m / \gcd(n, m)$  are well defined.

1. Take  $n' = n / \gcd(n, m)$  and  $m' = m / \gcd(n, m)$  then  $n = n' \cdot \gcd(n, m)$  and  $m = m' \cdot \gcd(n, m)$ . If  $d \mid n'$  and  $d \mid m'$  there exists  $n'', m'' \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $n'' \cdot d = n'$  and  $m'' \cdot d = m'$ . Multiplying both sides by  $\gcd(n, m)$  gives

$$(d \cdot \gcd(n, m)) \cdot n'' = (n'' \cdot d) \cdot \gcd(n, m) = n' \cdot \gcd(n, m) = n \quad (7.17)$$

and

$$(d \cdot \gcd(n, m)) \cdot m'' = (m'' \cdot d) \cdot \gcd(n, m) = m' \cdot \gcd(n, m) = m \quad (7.18)$$

proving that  $d \cdot \gcd(n, m) \mid n$  and  $d \cdot \gcd(n, m) \mid m$  Using [theorem: 7.42] and  $0 < \gcd(n, m)$  we have that

$$|d| \cdot \gcd(n, m) \mid n \text{ and } |d| \cdot \gcd(n, m) \mid m$$

So by the definition of  $\gcd(n, m)$  we have then that

$$|d| \cdot \gcd(n, m) \leq \gcd(n, m) = 1 \cdot \gcd(n, m)$$

As  $0 < \gcd(n, m)$  we have by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] and the above that

$$|d| \leq 1$$

If  $d = 0$  then by [eq: 7.18]  $m = 0$  contradicting  $m \neq 0$  so we have  $d \neq 0$ , proving by [theorem: 7.37] that  $|d| \neq 0$  which as  $0 \leq |d|$  implies that  $0 < |d|$  or using [theorem: 7.23]  $1 \leq |d|$ , which by the above proves that  $|d| = 1$  hence  $d = 1$  or  $d = -1$ . So

$$\{d \in \mathbb{Z} \mid d \mid n / \gcd(n, m) \wedge d \mid m / \gcd(n, m)\} = \{1, -1\}$$

2. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \gcd(n / \gcd(n, m), m / \gcd(n, m)) &= \max(\{d \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \mid d \mid n / \gcd(n, m) \wedge d \mid m / \gcd(n, m)\}) \\ &\stackrel{(1)}{=} \max(\{1\}) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$\square$

**Definition 7.50.** A  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$  is **even** if  $2 \mid z$  and **odd** if  $z$  is not even.

**Theorem 7.51.** Let  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$  then we have

1.  $z$  is even  $\Leftrightarrow \exists m \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $z = 2 \cdot m$
2.  $z$  is odd  $\Leftrightarrow \exists m \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $z = 2 \cdot m + 1$

**Proof.**

1.

$$\begin{aligned} z \text{ is even} &\Leftrightarrow 2|z \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists m \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ such that } z = 2 \cdot m \end{aligned}$$

2. Using the Division Algorithm [see: theorem: 7.38] there exists unique  $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $z = 2 \cdot q + r$  and  $0 \leq r < 2$  proving that  $r \in \{0, 1\}$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} z \text{ is odd} &\Leftrightarrow z \text{ is not even} \\ &\Leftrightarrow_{r=0 \Rightarrow z \text{ is even}} z = 2 \cdot q + 1 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 7.52.** *If  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$  then we have*

1.  $z \text{ is even} \Leftrightarrow z^2 = z \cdot z \text{ is even}$
2.  $z \text{ is odd} \Leftrightarrow z^2 = z \cdot z \text{ is odd}$

**Proof.**

1. If  $z$  is even then  $z = 2 \cdot m$  so that  $z \cdot z = (2 \cdot m) \cdot (2 \cdot m) = 2 \cdot (2 \cdot (m \cdot m))$  proving that  $z \cdot z$  is even. If  $z \cdot z$  is even then if  $z$  is odd we have  $z = 2 \cdot m + 1$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} z \cdot z &= (2 \cdot m + 1) \cdot (2 \cdot m + 1) \\ &= 2 \cdot (m \cdot (2 \cdot m + 1)) + 2 \cdot m + 1 \\ &= 2 \cdot (m \cdot (2 \cdot m + 1) + m) + 1 \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $z \cdot z$  is odd contradiction the fact that  $z \cdot z$  is even, hence  $z$  should be even.

2. This follows from (1) by contra position. □

## 7.3 Denumerability of the Integers

**Theorem 7.53.**  $\mathbb{Z}_0^+, \mathbb{Z}_0^-$  and  $\mathbb{Z}$  are all denumerable

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 7.17 (3)] there exists a bijection  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  so that  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{Z}_0^+$

$\mathbb{Z}_0^+$  is denumerable

Define now  $\beta: \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_0^-$  by  $\beta(n) = -n$  then we have

**injectivity.** If  $\beta(n) = \beta(n')$  then  $-n = -n' \Rightarrow n = -(-n) = -(-n') = n'$

**surjectivity.** If  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_0^- = \{-n | n \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+\}$  there exists  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  such that  $n = -m = \beta(m)$

Hence  $\beta: \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_0^-$  is a bijection proving that  $\mathbb{Z}_0^+ \approx \mathbb{Z}_0^-$ . So using [theorem: 6.24] it follows that

$\mathbb{Z}_0^-$  is denumerable

Finally as  $\mathbb{Z} \underset{[\text{theorem: 7.20}]}{=} \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cup \mathbb{Z}_0^-$  it followst by [theorem: 6.61] that

$\mathbb{Z}$  is denumerable

□





# Chapter 8

## The Rational Numbers

In this chapter we will introduce the set of rational numbers and embed the integer numbers in it. Just as with  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{N}_0$  we will introduce a order relation, a sum operator, a product operator, neutral elements for addition and multiplication as well as inverse elements. If we would use different symbols to note these we introduce a lot of excessive notation clutter. So we use the same symbols for the natural numbers, integers and rational numbers and use context to determine the meaning of the symbols involved. The following table should help you in determining the meaning of the different symbols based on the context of there usage.

Context	Expression	Operator
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n+m$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n \cdot m$	product in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n \leq m$	order in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n < m$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n - m$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n + 0$ or $0 + n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$-n$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n+m$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n \cdot m$	product in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \cdot \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n \leq m$	order in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n < m$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n - m$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, - \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n + 0$ or $0 + n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \cdot \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$-n$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q+r$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q \cdot r$	product in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \cdot \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q \leq r$	order in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q < r$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$
$q, e \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q - r$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, - \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q/r$	division in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \cdot \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q + 0$ or $0 + q$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot q$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \cdot \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{Q}$	$-q$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$

### 8.1 Definition and arithmetic

One of the problems that the integer numbers have is that the quotient of two numbers  $n$  and  $m$  is only defined if  $n$  divides  $m$ . The following example shows this issue.

**Example 8.1.** If  $x$  is a even number and  $y$  is a odd number then  $x$  can not divide  $y$ .

**Proof.** As  $x$  is even there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $x = 2 \cdot n$  and as  $y$  is odd  $y$  is not even. Assume that  $n|m$  then there exists a  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $x \cdot y = m$  but then  $y = 2 \cdot (x \cdot q)$  proving that  $y$  is even, contradicting the fact that  $y$  is odd.  $\square$

The rational number will resolve this defect. Just as we have done with set of integers we work with pairs of integers  $(n, m)$  that will be interpreted as the quotient  $\frac{n}{m}$  [the quotient is the integer such that  $\frac{n}{m} \cdot m = n$ ] if  $m$  divides  $n$  or a formal quotient if  $m$  does not divide  $n$ . We have to be carefull however for if  $m = 0$  then the quotient only exist if  $n = 0$  and then every integer is a quotient. So we should only consider pairs  $(n, m)$  where  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $m \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ . Further we have that  $\frac{8}{4} = \frac{6}{3} = \frac{4}{2} = \frac{2}{1} = 2$  so we have to define a equivalence relation and work with equivalence classes.

**Definition 8.2.**  $\mathbb{Z}^* = \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$

**Theorem 8.3.** The relation  $\simeq \subseteq (\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*) \times (\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*)$  defined by

$$\simeq = \{((n, m), (r, s)) \in (\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*) \times (\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*) \mid n \cdot s = m \cdot r\}$$

is a equivalence relation in  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*$ .

**Proof.**

**reflexivity.** If  $\{n, m\} \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*$  then  $n \cdot m \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.7}]}{=} m \cdot n$  so that  $(n, m) \simeq (n, m)$

**symmetry.** If  $(n, m) \simeq (r, s)$  then  $n \cdot s = m \cdot r \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.7}]}{\Rightarrow} r \cdot m = s \cdot n$  proving that  $(r, s) \simeq (n, m)$

**transitivity.** If  $(n, m) \simeq (k, l)$  and  $(k, l) \simeq (r, s)$  then  $n \cdot l = m \cdot k$  and  $k \cdot s = l \cdot r$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (n \cdot l) \cdot s &= (m \cdot k) \cdot s && \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{\Rightarrow} && (n \cdot s) \cdot l = m \cdot (k \cdot s) \\ &&& \Rightarrow && (n \cdot s) \cdot l = m \cdot (l \cdot r) \\ &&& \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{\Rightarrow} && (n \cdot s) \cdot l = (m \cdot r) \cdot l \\ &&& \stackrel{l \neq 0 \wedge [\text{theorem: 7.15}]}{\Rightarrow} && n \cdot s = m \cdot r \\ &&& \Rightarrow && (n, m) \simeq (r, s) \\ &&& \square \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 8.4.** The set of rational numbers noted as  $\mathbb{Q}$  is defined as

$$\mathbb{Q} = (\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*) / \simeq$$

or using the definition of  $(\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*) / \simeq$

$$\mathbb{Q} = \{[(n, m)] \mid (n, m) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*\}$$

We note  $[(n, m)] \in \mathbb{Q}$  as  $\frac{n}{m}$ ,  $n$  is called the **numerator** and  $m$  is called the **denominator**. Using this notation we have that  $\frac{n}{m} = \frac{n'}{m'} \Leftrightarrow n \cdot m' = m \cdot n'$ . In this new notation we have

$$\mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \frac{n}{m} \mid (n, m) \in \mathbb{Z}^* \right\}$$

**Theorem 8.5.** If  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^*$  and  $(n, m) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*$  then

1.  $\frac{n}{m} = \frac{n \cdot k}{m \cdot k}$
2.  $\frac{0}{n} = \frac{0}{1}$
3.  $\frac{n}{m} = \frac{0}{1} \Leftrightarrow n = 0$
4.  $\frac{n}{m} \neq \frac{0}{1} \Leftrightarrow n \neq 0$

**Proof.**

1. First as  $k \neq 0$  and  $m \neq 0$  we have that  $m \cdot k \neq 0$  so that  $\frac{n \cdot k}{m \cdot k} \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Further

$$n \cdot (m \cdot k) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} m \cdot (n \cdot k)$$

proving that

$$\frac{n}{m} = \frac{n \cdot k}{m \cdot k}$$

2. As  $0 \cdot 1 = 0 = n \cdot 0$  we have  $\frac{0}{n} = \frac{0}{1}$
3.  $\frac{n}{m} = \frac{0}{1} \Leftrightarrow n \cdot 1 = m \cdot 0 \Leftrightarrow n = 0$

4. This follows from (3) by contraposition.  $\square$

**Theorem 8.6.** Let  $\frac{n}{m}, \frac{n'}{m'}, \frac{r}{s}, \frac{r'}{s'} \in \mathbb{Q}$  are such that  $\frac{n}{m} = \frac{n'}{m'}$  and  $\frac{r}{s} = \frac{r'}{s'}$  then

$$\frac{n \cdot s + r \cdot m}{m \cdot s}, \frac{n' \cdot s' + r' \cdot m'}{m' \cdot s'} \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ and } \frac{n \cdot s + r \cdot m}{m \cdot s} = \frac{n' \cdot s' + r' \cdot m'}{m' \cdot s'}$$

**Proof.** First as  $m \neq 0, m' \neq 0, s \neq 0$  and  $s' \neq 0$  then  $m \cdot s \neq 0, m' \cdot s' \neq 0$  we have that

$$\frac{n \cdot s + r \cdot m}{m \cdot s}, \frac{n' \cdot s' + r' \cdot m'}{m' \cdot s'} \in \mathbb{Q}$$

As  $\frac{n}{m} = \frac{n'}{m'}$  and  $\frac{r}{s} = \frac{r'}{s'}$  we have

$$n \cdot m' = m \cdot n' \wedge r \cdot s' = s \cdot r' \quad (8.1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (n \cdot s + r \cdot m) \cdot (m' \cdot s') &= (n \cdot s) \cdot (m' \cdot s') + (r \cdot m) \cdot (m' \cdot s') \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} (n \cdot m') \cdot (s \cdot s') + (r \cdot s') \cdot (m \cdot m') \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 8.1}]}{=} (m \cdot n') \cdot (s \cdot s') + (s \cdot r') \cdot (m \cdot m') \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} (n' \cdot s) \cdot (m \cdot s) + (r' \cdot m') \cdot (m \cdot s) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} (n' \cdot s + r' \cdot m') \cdot (m \cdot s) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} (m \cdot s) \cdot (n' \cdot s + r' \cdot m') \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\frac{n \cdot s + r \cdot m}{m \cdot s} = \frac{n' \cdot s' + r' \cdot m'}{m' \cdot s'} \quad \square$$

The above theorem ensures that the following is well-defined, independent of the representation.

**Definition 8.7.** The sum operator  $+: \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  is defined by

$$\frac{n}{m} + \frac{r}{s} = \frac{n \cdot s + m \cdot r}{m \cdot s}$$

**Theorem 8.8.**  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$  is a **Abelian group** with neutral element  $0 = \frac{0}{1}$  and for every  $\frac{n}{m} \in \mathbb{Q}$  the inverse element  $\frac{-n}{m}$ .

**Proof.**

**associativity.** Let  $\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f} \in \mathbb{Q}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a}{b} + \left( \frac{c}{d} + \frac{e}{f} \right) &= \frac{a}{b} + \frac{c \cdot f + d \cdot e}{d \cdot f} \\ &= \frac{a \cdot (d \cdot f) + b \cdot (c \cdot f + d \cdot e)}{b \cdot (d \cdot f)} \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} \frac{(a \cdot d) \cdot f + (c \cdot b) \cdot f + (b \cdot d) \cdot e}{(b \cdot d) \cdot f} \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} \frac{(a \cdot d + c \cdot b) \cdot f + (b \cdot d) \cdot e}{(b \cdot d) \cdot f} \\ &= \frac{a \cdot d + c \cdot b}{b \cdot d} + \frac{e}{f} \\ &= \left( \frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} \right) + \frac{e}{f} \end{aligned}$$

**commutativity.** Let  $\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d} \in \mathbb{Q}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} &= \frac{a \cdot d + b \cdot c}{b \cdot d} \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} \frac{c \cdot b + d \cdot a}{d \cdot b} \\ &= \frac{c}{d} + \frac{a}{b} \end{aligned}$$

**neutral element.** Let  $\frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Q}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a}{b} + \frac{0}{1} & \stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} \frac{a \cdot 1 + b \cdot 0}{b \cdot 1} \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}] \text{ and } [\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} \frac{a}{b} \end{aligned}$$

**inverse element.** Let  $\frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Q}$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a}{b} + \frac{-a}{b} & = \frac{-a}{b} + \frac{a}{b} \\ & = \frac{(-a) \cdot b + b \cdot a}{b \cdot b} \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} \frac{b \cdot ((-a) + a)}{b \cdot b} \\ & = \frac{b \cdot 0}{b \cdot b} \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} \frac{0}{b \cdot b} \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.5}]}{=} \frac{0}{1} \\ & = 0 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Definition 8.9.** If  $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$  then  $x - y = x + (-y)$

Next we define multiplication.

**Theorem 8.10.** If  $\frac{n}{m}, \frac{n'}{m'}, \frac{r}{s}, \frac{r'}{s'} \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $\frac{n}{m} = \frac{n'}{m'}$  and  $\frac{r}{s} = \frac{r'}{s'}$  then

$$\frac{n \cdot r}{m \cdot s}, \frac{n' \cdot r'}{m' \cdot s'} \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ and } \frac{n \cdot r}{m \cdot s} = \frac{n' \cdot r'}{m' \cdot s'}$$

**Proof.** First as  $m \neq 0, m' \neq 0, s \neq 0$  and  $s' \neq 0$  we have that  $m \cdot s \neq 0$  and  $m' \cdot s' \neq 0$  so that  $\frac{n \cdot r}{m \cdot s}, \frac{n' \cdot r'}{m' \cdot s'} \in \mathbb{Q}$ . As  $\frac{n}{m} = \frac{n'}{m'}$  and  $\frac{r}{s} = \frac{r'}{s'}$  we have also that

$$n \cdot m' = m \cdot n' \wedge r \cdot s' = s \cdot r' \tag{8.2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (n \cdot r) \cdot (m' \cdot s') & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} (n \cdot m') \cdot (r \cdot s') \\ & \stackrel{[\text{eq: 8.2}]}{=} (m \cdot n') \cdot (s \cdot r') \\ & = (m \cdot s) \cdot (n' \cdot r') \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\frac{n \cdot r}{m \cdot s} = \frac{n' \cdot r'}{m' \cdot s'} \quad \square$$

The above theorem ensures that the next definition is well defined.

**Definition 8.11.** The product operator  $\cdot : \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  is defined by

$$\frac{n}{m} \cdot \frac{r}{s} = \frac{n \cdot r}{m \cdot s}$$

**Theorem 8.12.**  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a field [see [definition: 4.51] more specifically:

1.  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$  is a Abelian group [see theorem: 8.8]
2.  $\cdot : \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  satisfies

**distributivity.**  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{Q}$  we have  $x \cdot (y + z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z$

**commutativity.**  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$  we have  $x \cdot y = y \cdot x$

**neutral element.**  $\forall x \in \mathbb{Q}$   $\frac{1}{1} \cdot x = 1 = x \cdot \frac{1}{1}$ , so  $1 \stackrel{\text{definition}}{=} \frac{1}{1}$  is the neutral element.

**associativity.**  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{Q}$   $(x \cdot y) \cdot z = x \cdot (y \cdot z)$

**inverse element.**  $\forall x \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}$  there exists a  $x^{-1} \cdot x = x \cdot x^{-1}$ . More specific if  $x = \frac{a}{b} \neq 0$  then  $x^{-1} = \frac{b}{a}$ .

**Proof.**

1. This follows from [theorem: 8.8].
2. We have:

**distributivity.** Let  $\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f} \in \mathbb{Q}$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{c}{d} + \frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{e}{f} &= \frac{a \cdot c}{b \cdot d} + \frac{a \cdot e}{b \cdot f} \\
 &= \frac{(a \cdot c) \cdot (b \cdot f) + (b \cdot d) \cdot (a \cdot e)}{(b \cdot d) \cdot (b \cdot f)} \\
 &= \frac{b \cdot (a \cdot (c \cdot f)) + b \cdot (a \cdot (d \cdot e))}{b \cdot (b \cdot (d \cdot f))} \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} \frac{b \cdot (a \cdot (c \cdot f) + a \cdot (d \cdot e))}{b \cdot (b \cdot (d \cdot f))} \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} \frac{a \cdot (c \cdot f) + a \cdot (d \cdot e)}{b \cdot (d \cdot f)} \\
 &\stackrel{b \neq 0 \wedge [\text{theorem: 8.5}]}{=} \frac{a \cdot (c \cdot f) + a \cdot (d \cdot e)}{b \cdot (d \cdot f)} \\
 &= \frac{a}{b} \cdot \left( \frac{c \cdot f + d \cdot e}{d \cdot f} \right) \\
 &= \frac{a}{b} \cdot \left( \frac{c}{d} + \frac{e}{f} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

**commutativity.** Let  $\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d} \in \mathbb{Q}$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{c}{d} &= \frac{a \cdot c}{b \cdot d} \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} \frac{c \cdot a}{d \cdot b} \\
 &= \frac{c}{d} \cdot \frac{a}{b}
 \end{aligned}$$

**neutral element.** Let  $\frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Q}$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{1} \cdot \frac{a}{b} &\stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} \frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{1}{1} \\
 &= \frac{a \cdot 1}{b \cdot 1} \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} \frac{a}{b}
 \end{aligned}$$

**associativity.** Let  $\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f} \in \mathbb{Q}$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{a}{b} \cdot \left( \frac{c}{d} \cdot \frac{e}{f} \right) &= \frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{c \cdot e}{d \cdot f} \\
 &= \frac{a \cdot (c \cdot e)}{b \cdot (d \cdot f)} \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} \frac{(a \cdot c) \cdot e}{(b \cdot d) \cdot f} \\
 &= \frac{a \cdot c}{b \cdot d} \cdot \frac{e}{f} \\
 &= \left( \frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{c}{d} \right) \cdot \frac{e}{f}
 \end{aligned}$$

**inverse element.** Let  $\frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}$  then  $\frac{a}{b} \neq \frac{0}{1} \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 8.5}]} a \neq 0$  so that  $\frac{b}{a} \in \mathbb{Q}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{b}{a} & \stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} \frac{b}{a} \cdot \frac{a}{b} \\ & = \frac{b \cdot a}{a \cdot b} \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} \frac{1 \cdot (a \cdot b)}{1 \cdot (a \cdot b)} \\ & \stackrel{a \cdot b \neq 0 \wedge [\text{theorem: 8.5}]}{=} \frac{1}{1} \end{aligned}$$

□

**Example 8.13.**  $1 + 1 = 2$  and  $2^{-1} = \frac{1}{2}$  where  $2 = \frac{2}{1}$ .

**Proof.**  $\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} = \frac{1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1}{1 \cdot 1} = \frac{1+1}{1} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.12}]}{=} \frac{2}{1} = 2$ , so  $2^{-1} = \left(\frac{2}{1}\right)^{-1} = \frac{1}{2}$  □

**Theorem 8.14.** Let  $q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$  and  $s \neq 0$  then

1.  $q = r \Leftrightarrow q \cdot s = r \cdot s$
2.  $q \neq r \Leftrightarrow q \cdot s \neq r \cdot s$

**Proof.**

1.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $q = r$  then  $q \cdot s = r \cdot s$

$\Leftarrow$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} q \cdot s = r \cdot s & \xRightarrow{s \neq 0} (q \cdot s) \cdot s^{-1} = (r \cdot s) \cdot s^{-1} \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.12}]}{\Rightarrow} q \cdot (s \cdot s^{-1}) = r \cdot (s \cdot s^{-1}) \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.12}]}{\Rightarrow} q \cdot 1 = r \cdot 1 \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.12}]}{\Rightarrow} q \cdot s = r \cdot s \end{aligned}$$

2. This follows by contraposition. □

## 8.2 Order Relation

**Definition 8.15.** The set of non negative rational numbers  $\mathbb{Q}_0^+$  and the set of non positive numbers  $\mathbb{Q}_0^-$  is defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Q}_0^+ &= \left\{ \frac{a}{b} \mid (a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^* \wedge a \cdot b \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \right\} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.22}]}{=} \left\{ \frac{a}{b} \mid (a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^* \wedge 0 \leq a \cdot b \right\} \\ \mathbb{Q}_0^- &= \left\{ \frac{a}{b} \mid (a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^* \wedge a \cdot b \in \mathbb{Z}_0^- \right\} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.22}]}{=} \left\{ \frac{a}{b} \mid (a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^* \wedge a \cdot b \leq 0 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 8.16.**  $\mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \cup \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  and  $\{0\} = \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \cap \mathbb{Q}_0^-$

**Proof.** If  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  then  $\exists (a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*$  such that  $q = \frac{a}{b}$ , as  $a \cdot b \in \mathbb{Z} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.20}]}{=} \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \cup \mathbb{Z}_0^-$  we have either:

$a \cdot b \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$ . Then  $q = \frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$

$a \cdot b \in \mathbb{Z}_0^-$ . Then  $q = \frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$

proving that

$$\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^+ \cup \mathbb{Q}_0^-$$

As trivially  $\mathbb{Q}_0^+ \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}_0^- \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$  we have that  $\mathbb{Q}_0^+ \cup \mathbb{Q}_0^- \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$ , which by the above proves that

$$\mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \cup \mathbb{Q}_0^-$$

If  $q \in \{0\}$  then  $q = \frac{0}{1}$  so that  $0 \cdot 1 = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  and  $0 \cdot 1 = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}_0^-$  so that  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \cap \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  proving that

$$\{0\} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \cap \mathbb{Q}_0^- \quad (8.3)$$

If  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \cap \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  then there exist  $(a, b), (c, d) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^* \Rightarrow b \neq 0 \neq d$  such that  $a \cdot b \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \Rightarrow 0 \leq a \cdot b$ ,  $c \cdot d \in \mathbb{Z}_0^- \Rightarrow c \cdot d \leq 0$  and  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} \Rightarrow a \cdot d = b \cdot c$ . Assume that  $a \neq 0$  then we have either:

**0 < a.** Assume that  $b < 0$  then by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50]  $a \cdot b < 0$  contradicting  $0 \leq a \cdot b$ , so we must have that  $0 \leq b$  which as  $b \neq 0$  gives

$$0 < b \quad (8.4)$$

As  $d \neq 0$  we have by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] that  $0 < d \cdot d$  so that by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50]

$$0 < a \cdot (d \cdot d) = (a \cdot d) \cdot d \stackrel{a \cdot d = b \cdot c}{=} (b \cdot c) \cdot d = (c \cdot d) \cdot b \quad (8.5)$$

Using [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] on [eq: 8.4] and [eq: 8.5] we have that  $0 < c \cdot d$  contradicting  $c \leq d$ .

**a < 0.** Assume that  $0 < b$  then by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50]  $a \cdot b < 0$  contradicting  $0 \leq a \cdot b$ , so we must have that  $0 \leq b$  which as  $b \neq 0$  gives

$$b < 0 \quad (8.6)$$

As  $d \neq 0$  we have by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] that  $0 < d \cdot d$  so that by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50]  $a \cdot (d \cdot d) < 0$ , hence as  $a \cdot d = b \cdot c$

$$(c \cdot d) \cdot b = (b \cdot c) \cdot d = (a \cdot d) \cdot d = a \cdot (d \cdot d) < 0 \quad (8.7)$$

Using [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] on [eq: 8.6] and [eq: 8.7] we have that  $0 < c \cdot d$  contradicting  $c \cdot d \leq 0$ .

As in all cases we reach a contradiction the assumption  $a \neq 0$  is wrong, so  $a = 0$  or  $q = \frac{0}{b} \stackrel{[theorem: 8.5]}{=} \frac{0}{1} = 0$ . Hence  $\mathbb{Q}_0^+ \cap \mathbb{Q}_0^- \subseteq \{0\}$  which combined with [eq: 8.3] proves that

$$\mathbb{Q}_0^+ \cap \mathbb{Q}_0^- = \{0\} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 8.17.**  $\mathbb{Q}_0^- = \{-q \mid q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+\}$

**Proof.** If  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  then  $\exists (n, m) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*$  with  $n \cdot m \in \mathbb{Z}_0^-$  such that  $q = \frac{n}{m}$ . By the definition of  $\mathbb{Z}_0^-$  it follows that  $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  such that  $n \cdot m = -k$ . Hence

$$(-n) \cdot m \stackrel{[theorem: 4.40]}{=} -(n \cdot m) = -(-(k)) \stackrel{[theorem: 4.9]}{=} k \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+,$$

proving that  $-q = \frac{-n}{m} \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$ . Using [theorem: 4.9] again we have  $q = -(-q)$  so that  $q \in \{-q \mid q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+\}$  or that

$$\mathbb{Q}_0^- \subseteq \{-q \mid q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+\} \quad (8.8)$$

If  $q \in \{-q \mid q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+\}$  then  $\exists (n, m) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*$  with  $n \cdot m \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  such that  $q = -\frac{n}{m} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{-n}{m}$ , as  $(-n) \cdot m = -(n \cdot m) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^-$ , it follows that  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$ . Hence  $\{-q \mid q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+\} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  which together with [eq: 8.8] gives

$$\mathbb{Q}_0^- = \{-q \mid q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+\} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 8.18.**  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_0^+, + \rangle$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$  [hence  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_0^+, + \rangle$  is a semi-group]

**Proof.** By [theorem: 8.16]

$$0 \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \quad (8.9)$$

If  $q, r \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$  then there exists  $(a, b), (c, d) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*$  with  $a \cdot b, c \cdot d \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  such that  $q = \frac{a}{b}$  and  $r = \frac{c}{d}$ . Then we have

$$q + r = \frac{a \cdot d + b \cdot c}{b \cdot d}$$

so we have to check that  $(a \cdot d + b \cdot c) \cdot (b \cdot d) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} (a \cdot d + b \cdot c) \cdot (b \cdot d) &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} (a \cdot d) \cdot (b \cdot d) + (b \cdot c) \cdot (b \cdot d) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.11}]}{=} (a \cdot b) \cdot (d \cdot d) + (c \cdot d) \cdot (b \cdot b) \end{aligned} \quad (8.10)$$

Now using [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] we have that  $0 \leq d \cdot d \wedge 0 \leq b \cdot b$ , as  $0 \leq a \cdot b \wedge 0 \leq c \cdot d$ , we have by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] that  $0 \leq (a \cdot b) \cdot (d \cdot d) \wedge 0 \leq (c \cdot d) \cdot (b \cdot b)$  or  $(a \cdot b) \cdot (d \cdot d), (c \cdot d) \cdot (b \cdot b) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$ . Using [theorem: 7.17] it follows that  $(a \cdot b) \cdot (d \cdot d) + (c \cdot d) \cdot (b \cdot b) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$ , hence by [eq: 8.10]  $(a \cdot d + b \cdot c) \cdot (b \cdot d) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  so that  $q + r \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$ . So

$$\forall q, r \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \text{ we have } q + r \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \quad (8.11)$$

Finally [eq: 8.9] and [eq: 8.11] proves that  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_0^+, + \rangle$  is a semi-group.  $\square$

Next we define the relation that later will become a order relation on  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

**Definition 8.19. (Order Relation)**  $\leq \subseteq \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$  is defined as

$$\leq = \{(q, r) \in \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q} \mid r + (-q) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+\}$$

So  $q \leq r$  if and only if  $r + (-q) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$

**Theorem 8.20.**  $\mathbb{Q}_0^+ = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} \mid 0 \leq q\}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}_0^- = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} \mid q \leq 0\}$ .

**Proof.**

$$\begin{aligned} q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ &\stackrel{q = q + (-0)}{\Leftrightarrow} q + (-0) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \\ &\stackrel{\mathbb{Q}_0^+ \subseteq \mathbb{Q}}{\Leftrightarrow} q \in \mathbb{Q} \wedge 0 \leq q \\ &\Leftrightarrow q \in \{q \in \mathbb{Q} \mid 0 \leq q\} \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\mathbb{Q}_0^+ = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} \mid 0 \leq q\}$$

Further

$$\begin{aligned} q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^- &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.17}]}{\Leftrightarrow} -q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \\ &\stackrel{0 + (-q) = -q}{\Leftrightarrow} 0 + (-q) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \\ &\stackrel{\mathbb{Q}_0^+ \subseteq \mathbb{Q}}{\Leftrightarrow} q \in \mathbb{Q} \wedge q \leq 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow q \in \{q \in \mathbb{Q} \mid q \leq 0\} \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\mathbb{Q}_0^- = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} \mid q \leq 0\} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 8.21.** If  $q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$  then

1.  $q \leq r \Leftrightarrow 0 \leq r + (-q)$
2.  $q < r \Leftrightarrow 0 < r + (-q)$



**Proof.**

1. We have

$$\begin{aligned} q \leq r & \Leftrightarrow r + (-q) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.20}]}{\Leftrightarrow} 0 \leq r + (-q) \end{aligned}$$

2. We have

$$\begin{aligned} q < r & \Leftrightarrow q \neq r \wedge q \leq r \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.6}]}{\Leftrightarrow} q + (-q) \neq r + (-q) \wedge q \leq r \\ & \Leftrightarrow q + (-q) \neq r + (-q) \wedge q \leq r \\ & \Leftrightarrow 0 \neq r + (-q) \wedge q \leq r \\ & \stackrel{(1)}{\Leftrightarrow} 0 \neq r + (-q) \wedge 0 \leq r + (-q) \\ & \Leftrightarrow 0 < r + (-q) \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 8.22.** *If  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  satisfies  $0 \leq q \wedge q \leq 0$  then  $q = 0$*

**Proof.** As  $0 \leq q$  and  $q \leq 0$  we have by [theorem: 8.20] that  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \wedge \mathbb{Q}_0^-$ , so  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \cap \mathbb{Q}_0^- \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.16}]}{=} \{0\}$ . Proving  $q = 0$ . □

**Theorem 8.23.** *If  $q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $0 \leq q \wedge 0 \leq r$  then  $0 \leq q + r$*

**Proof.** As  $0 \leq q \wedge 0 \leq r$  we have by [theorem: 8.20] that  $q, r \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$ , using 8.18] it follows that  $q + r \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$ , hence by [theorem: 8.20] again we have

$$0 \leq q + r$$

□

**Theorem 8.24.**  *$\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  is a totally ordered set.*

**Proof.**

**reflectivity.** If  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$  then  $q + (-q) = 0 \in \{0\} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.16}]}{=} \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \cap \mathbb{Q}_0^- \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_0^+$  so that  $q \leq q$ .

**anti symmetry.** If  $q \leq r$  and  $r \leq q$  then using [theorem: 8.21]  $0 \leq r + (-q)$  and  $r + (-q) \leq 0$ , using [theorem: 8.22] we have that  $r + (-q) = 0$  so that  $r = q$ .

**transitivity.** If  $q \leq r$  and  $r \leq s$  then  $r + (-q), s + (-r) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$  so that by [theorem: 8.18] we have that

$$(r + (-q)) + (s + (-r)) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \tag{8.12}$$

As  $(r + (-q)) + (s + (-r)) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.8}]}{=} s + (-q)$  we have by [eq: 8.12] that  $s + (-q) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$  proving that

$$q \leq s$$

**totally order.** If  $q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$  then as  $r + (-q) \in \mathbb{Q} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.16}]}{=} \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \cup \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  such that we have the following possibilities:

$r + (-q) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$ . Then  $q \leq r$

$r + (-q) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$ . Then by [theorem: 8.17] we have that  $-(r + (-q)) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$ . Further

$$-(r + (-q)) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} (-r) + (-(-q)) = q + (-r)$$

so that  $q + (-r) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$  or  $r \leq q$ . □

**Lemma 8.25.** *Let  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  then  $0 < q \Leftrightarrow \exists n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $0 < n \wedge 0 < m$  such that  $q = \frac{n}{m}$*

**Proof.**

$\Rightarrow$ . As  $0 < q$  we have  $0 \neq q$  and  $0 \leq q \xrightarrow{[\text{theorem: 8.20}]} q \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$ , so there exists  $(n', m') \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*$  with  $0 \leq n' \cdot m'$  such that  $q = \frac{n'}{m'}$ , as  $m' \in \mathbb{Z}^*$  we have  $m' \neq 0$ , further by [theorem: 8.5]  $n' \neq 0$ . So we have the following resting cases to consider for  $n', m'$ :

$0 < n' \wedge 0 < m'$ . Then  $q = \frac{n'}{m'}$  so if we take  $n = n'$  and  $m = m'$  we have  $0 < n \wedge 0 < m$  such that  $q = \frac{n}{m}$ .

$0 < n' \wedge m' < 0$ . Then by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] we have  $n' \cdot m' < 0$  contradicting  $0 \leq n' \cdot m'$  so this is not a valid case.

$n' < 0 \wedge 0 < m'$ . Then by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] we have  $n' \cdot m' < 0$  contradicting  $0 \leq n' \cdot m'$  so this is not a valid case.

$n' < 0 \wedge m' < 0$ . Then by [theorem: 7.27, 4.50] we have  $0 < -n' \wedge 0 < -m'$  we have that  $\frac{-n'}{-m'} = \frac{n' \cdot (-1)}{m' \cdot (-1)} \xrightarrow{[\text{theorem: 8.5}]} \frac{n'}{m'} = q$ . So if we take  $n = -n'$  and  $m = -m'$  then  $0 < n \wedge 0 < m$  and  $q = \frac{n}{m}$ .

So in all valid cases we found a  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $0 < n \wedge 0 < m$  and  $q = \frac{n}{m}$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $\exists n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $0 < n \wedge 0 < m$  such that  $q = \frac{n}{m}$  then by [theorem: 7.26] we have that  $0 < n \cdot m$  so that  $0 \leq q$ , further by [theorem: 8.5] and  $n \neq 0$  we have  $q \neq 0$ , hence  $0 < q$ .  $\square$

**Example 8.26.**  $0 < 1$  where  $0, 1 \in \mathbb{Q}$

**Proof.** As  $1 = \frac{1}{1}$  and in  $\mathbb{Z}$  we have  $1 = 1 \cdot 1$  and  $0 < 1$  [see example: 7.25] it follows from [lemma: 8.25] that  $0 < 1$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 8.27.** If  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  then

1.  $q < q + 1$
2.  $q - 1 = q + (-1) < q$

**Proof.**

1.  $(q + 1) + (-q) = (q + (-q)) + 1 = 1$  and by [example: 8.26]  $0 < 1$  so that  $q \leq q + 1$ . If  $q = q + 1$  we have  $0 = q + (-q) = (q + 1) + (-q) = 1$  contradicting  $0 < 1$  so we must have that

$$q < q + 1$$

2.  $q + (-(q + (-1))) \xrightarrow{[\text{theorem: 4.8}]} q + ((-q) + (-(-1))) = (q + (-q)) + (-(-1)) = 0 + 1 = 1$  and by [example: 8.26]  $0 < 1$  so that  $q + (-1) \leq q$ . If  $q + (-1) = q$  then  $q = q + 1$  contradicting (1) so  $q - 1 \neq q$  and we have

$$q - 1 = q + (-1) < q$$

$\square$

**Theorem 8.28.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^*$  then we have

1.  $n = m \Leftrightarrow \frac{n}{m} = 1$
2. If  $0 < m$  then
  - a.  $n < m \Leftrightarrow \frac{n}{m} < 1$
  - b.  $m < n \Leftrightarrow 1 < \frac{n}{m}$
  - c.  $n \leq m \Leftrightarrow \frac{n}{m} \leq 1$
  - d.  $m \leq n \Leftrightarrow 1 \leq \frac{n}{m}$
3. If  $m < 0$  then
  - a.  $n < m \Leftrightarrow 1 < \frac{n}{m}$

- b.  $m < n \Leftrightarrow \frac{n}{m} < 1$   
 c.  $n \leq m \Leftrightarrow 1 \leq \frac{n}{m}$   
 d.  $m \leq n \Leftrightarrow \frac{n}{m} \leq 1$

**Proof.**

1.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $n = m$  then  $\frac{n}{m} = \frac{n}{n} = \frac{1 \cdot n}{1 \cdot n} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.5}]}{=} \frac{1}{1} = 1$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $\frac{n}{m} = 1$  then  $\frac{n}{m} = \frac{1}{1}$  so that  $n \cdot 1 = m \cdot 1$  proving that  $n = m$ .

2.

- a. Note that  $1 + \left(-\frac{n}{m}\right) = \frac{1}{1} + \frac{-n}{m} = \frac{m + (-n)}{m}$ , as  $n < m$  we have  $0 < m + (-n)$  which together with  $0 < m$  gives by [theorem: 8.25] that  $0 < 1 + \left(-\frac{n}{m}\right)$  proving  $\frac{n}{m} < 1$ .  
 b. Note that  $\frac{n}{m} + (-1) = \frac{n}{m} + \frac{-1}{1} = \frac{n + (-m)}{m}$ , as  $m < n$  we have  $0 < n + (-m)$  which together with  $0 < m$  gives by [theorem: 8.25] that  $0 < \frac{n}{m} + (-1)$  proving that  $1 < \frac{n}{m}$ .  
 c. This follows from (1) and (2.a)  
 d. This follows from (1) and (2.b)

3. As  $m < 0$  we have by [theorem: 7.27, 4.50] that  $0 < -m$

- a. As  $n < m$  we have by [theorem: 7.27, 4.50] that  $-m < -n$ , so by (2.b) it follows that  $1 < \frac{-n}{-m}$ . Now  $\frac{-n}{-m} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} \frac{n \cdot (-1)}{m \cdot (-1)} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.5}]}{=} \frac{n}{m}$  so that we have  $1 < \frac{n}{m}$ .  
 b. As  $m < n$  we have by [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] that  $-n < -m$ , so by (2.a) it follows that  $\frac{-n}{-m} < 1$ . Now  $\frac{-n}{-m} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} \frac{n \cdot (-1)}{m \cdot (-1)} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.5}]}{=} \frac{n}{m}$  so that we have  $\frac{n}{m} < 1$ .  
 c. This follows from (1) and (3.a)  
 d. This follows from (1) and (3.b) □

**Theorem 8.29.** If  $q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $0 < q$  and  $0 < r$  then  $0 < q \cdot r$ .

**Proof.** As  $0 < q \wedge 0 < r$  we have by [lemma: 8.25] the existence of  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $0 < a, 0 < b, 0 < c, 0 < d$  such that  $q = \frac{a}{b}$  and  $r = \frac{c}{d}$ . So by applying [theorems: 7.27, 4.50] we have  $0 < a \cdot c \wedge 0 < b \cdot d$ , hence  $0 < (a \cdot c) \cdot (b \cdot d)$ , so that  $q \cdot r = \frac{a \cdot c}{b \cdot d} \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$  or  $0 \leq q \cdot r$ . As  $0 < a \cdot c$  we have by [theorem: 8.5] that  $q \cdot r \neq 0$ , so

$$0 < q \cdot r \quad \square$$

**Theorem 8.30.**  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot, \leq \rangle$  is a ordered field

**Proof.** First using [theorem: 8.12]  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a field. Next

1. For  $r, q, s \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $r < q$  we have

$$q + (-r) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \text{ and } r \neq q \Rightarrow r + s \neq q + s \quad (8.13)$$

Further

$$\begin{aligned} (q + s) + (-r) & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.8}]}{=} (q + s) + ((-r) + (-s)) \\ & \stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} (q + s) + ((-s) + (-r)) \\ & \stackrel{\text{associativity}}{=} q + (s + ((-s) + (-r))) \\ & \stackrel{\text{associativity}}{=} q + ((s + (-s)) + (-r)) \\ & = q + (0 + (-r)) \\ & = q + (-r) \end{aligned}$$

which by [eq: 8.13] proves that  $(q + s) + (-r) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$ . Hence  $r + s \leq q + s$  and  $r + s \neq q + s$  proving that

$$r + s < q + s$$

2. Let  $q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $0 < q$  and  $0 < r$  then by [theorem: 8.29]  $0 < q \cdot r$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 8.31.**  $\forall q \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $q \neq 0$  we have  $-(q^{-1}) = (-q)^{-1}$

**Proof.** If  $q \neq 0$  then  $-q \neq 0$  so  $q^{-1}$  and  $(-q)^{-1}$  exists, further  $q = \frac{a}{b}$  where  $a, b \neq 0$ . Now

$$-(q^{-1}) = -\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) = \left(\frac{-b}{a}\right) = \left(\frac{a}{-b}\right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{-1}{-1} \cdot \frac{a}{-b}\right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{-a}{b}\right)^{-1} = (-q)^{-1} \quad \square$$

Next we embed the set of integer numbers in the set of rational numbers.

**Definition 8.32.**  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} = \left\{\frac{z}{1} \mid z \in \mathbb{Z}\right\} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$

**Theorem 8.33.**  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$  is a subring [see definition: 4.35] of  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot \rangle$  and  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$  defined by  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(z) = \frac{z}{1}$  is a ring isomorphism between  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle$  and  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}, +, \cdot \rangle$  and a order order isomorphism between  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle$  and  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}, \leq \rangle$  [using the induced order from  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  [see theorem: 3.34]]

**Proof.** If  $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$  then  $\exists n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $q = \frac{n}{1}$  and  $r = \frac{m}{1}$  then we have

$$q + r = \frac{n}{1} + \frac{m}{1} = \frac{n \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot m}{1 \cdot 1} = \frac{n + m}{1}$$

proving that  $q + r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$ . Further we have

$$q \cdot r = \frac{n}{1} \cdot \frac{m}{1} = \frac{n \cdot m}{1 \cdot 1} = \frac{n \cdot m}{1}$$

proving that  $q \cdot r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$ . Also  $-q = \frac{-n}{1} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$ . So we have

$$\forall q, r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{ we have } q + r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}, q \cdot r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{ and } -q \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$$

Further we have  $0 = \frac{0}{1}$  and  $1 = \frac{1}{1}$  so that

$$0, 1 \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$$

Hence we have that

$$\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{ is a subring of } \langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot \rangle$$

Now for  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$  we have:

**injectivity.** If  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x) = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y)$  then  $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{1}$  so that  $x \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot y \Rightarrow x = y$ .

**surjectivity.** This follows from the definition of  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$ .

proving that

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{ is a bijection} \quad (8.14)$$

Further if  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  then  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y) + (-i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x)) = \frac{y}{1} + \left(-\frac{x}{1}\right) = \frac{y}{1} + \frac{-x}{1} = \frac{y \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot (-x)}{1 \cdot 1} = \frac{y + (-x)}{1}$  so

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y) + (-i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x)) = \frac{y + (-x)}{1} \quad (8.15)$$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x) \leq i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y) &\Leftrightarrow i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y) + (-i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x)) \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.15}]}{\Leftrightarrow} \frac{y + (-x)}{1} \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+ \\ &\stackrel{\text{def } \mathbb{Q}_0^+}{\Leftrightarrow} (y + (-x)) \cdot 1 \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \\ &\Leftrightarrow y + (-x) \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \leq y \end{aligned}$$

which combined with [eq: 8.14] proves that

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

Now for the proof that  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}$  is a ring isomorphism.

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x + y) = \frac{x + y}{1} = \frac{x \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot y}{1 \cdot 1} = \frac{x}{1} + \frac{y}{1} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x) + i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x \cdot y) = \frac{x \cdot y}{1} = \frac{x}{1} \cdot \frac{y}{1} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x) \cdot i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(1) = \frac{1}{1} = 1$$

proving with [eq: 8.14] that

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a ring isomorphism} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 8.34.**  $\mathbb{Q} = \{x \cdot y^{-1} | x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus \{0\}\}$

**Proof.** If  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  there exists  $x' \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $y' \in \mathbb{Z}^* = \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $q = \frac{x'}{y'}$ . Define now  $x = \frac{x'}{1}$  and  $y = \frac{y'}{1}$  then by the previous theorem [theorem: 8.33] we have that  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$  and  $y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus \{0\}$ . Further

$$q = \frac{x'}{y'} = \frac{x'}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{y'} = \frac{x'}{1} \cdot \left(\frac{y'}{1}\right)^{-1} = x \cdot y^{-1} \in \{x \cdot y^{-1} | x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus \{0\}\}$$

proving

$$\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \{x \cdot y^{-1} | x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus \{0\}\} \quad (8.16)$$

If  $q \in \{x \cdot y^{-1} | x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus \{0\}\}$  there exists a  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$  and  $y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $q = x \cdot y^{-1}$ . Using [theorem: 8.33] again there exists  $x' \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $y' \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $x = \frac{x'}{1}$  and  $y = \frac{y'}{1}$  so that

$$q = x \cdot y^{-1} = \frac{x'}{1} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{y'}\right)^{-1} = \frac{x'}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{y'} = \frac{x'}{y'} \in \mathbb{Q}$$

proving that  $q \in \{x \cdot y^{-1} | x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus \{0\}\} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$  which combined with [eq: 8.16] results in

$$\mathbb{Q} = \{x \cdot y^{-1} | x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus \{0\}\} \quad \square$$

**Definition 8.35.**  $\mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}} = (i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}})(\mathbb{N}_0) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$  where

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \text{ is defined by } i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n) &= \sim[n, 0] \\ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q} \text{ is defined by } i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(z) &= \frac{z}{1} \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 8.36.** We have that

1.  $\mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}} = \left\{ \frac{n}{1} | n \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \right\}$
2.  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, + \rangle$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$
3.  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, \cdot \rangle$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \cdot \rangle$
4. If we define  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}$  by  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}$  then we have
  - a.  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, + \rangle$  is a group isomorphism
  - b.  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, \cdot \rangle$  is a group isomorphism
  - c.  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, \leq \rangle$  is a order isomorphism
5.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}$  we have that  $0 \leq n$ , if  $n \neq 0$  then  $0 < 1 \leq n$

**Proof.**

1. We have

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}} &\Leftrightarrow \exists n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ such that } x = (i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})(n) \\ &\Rightarrow x = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n)) \\ &\Rightarrow x = \frac{\sim[(n, 0)]}{1} \\ &\Rightarrow x \in \left\{ \frac{n}{1} | n \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \right\} \\ &\sim[(n, 0)] \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}} \subseteq \left\{ \frac{n}{1} \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \right\} \quad (8.17)$$

Further

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \left\{ \frac{n}{1} \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \right\} &\Rightarrow \exists n \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \text{ such that } x = \frac{n}{1} \\ &\stackrel{\text{definition of } \mathbb{Z}_0^+}{\Rightarrow} \exists n' \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ such that } n = \sim[(n', 0)] \\ &\Rightarrow x = \frac{\sim[(n, 0)]}{1} \\ &\Rightarrow x = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n')) \\ &\Rightarrow (i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})(n') \\ &\Rightarrow x \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}} \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $\left\{ \frac{n}{1} \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \right\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}}$  which combined with [eq: 8.17]

$$\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}} = \left\{ \frac{n}{1} \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \right\}$$

2. If  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}}$  then  $\exists n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $x = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n))$  and  $y = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(m))$ , hence  $x = \frac{\sim[(n, 0)]}{1}$  and  $y = \frac{\sim[(m, 0)]}{1}$ . So that

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= \frac{\sim[(n, 0)]}{1} + \frac{\sim[(m, 0)]}{1} \\ &= \frac{\sim[(n, 0)] \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot \sim[(m, 0)]}{1 \cdot 1} \\ &= \frac{\sim[(n, 0)] + \sim[(m, 0)]}{1} \\ &= \frac{\sim[(n + m, 0)]}{1} \\ &= i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n + m)) \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}} \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}} \text{ we have } x + y \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}} \quad (8.18)$$

As  $\sim[(0, 0)] = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have that  $\frac{\sim[(0, 0)]}{1} = \frac{0}{1} = 0 \in \mathbb{Q}$ , so  $0 = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(0))$  proving that

$$0 \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}} \quad (8.19)$$

So using [eq: 8.18] and [eq: 8.19] it follows that

$$\langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}}, + \rangle \text{ is a sub semi-group } \langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$$

3. If  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}}$  then  $\exists n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $x = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n))$  and  $y = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(m))$ , hence  $x = \frac{\sim[(n, 0)]}{1}$  and  $y = \frac{\sim[(m, 0)]}{1}$ . So that

$$\begin{aligned} x \cdot y &= \frac{\sim[(n, 0)]}{1} \cdot \frac{\sim[(m, 0)]}{1} \\ &= \frac{\sim[(n, 0)] \cdot \sim[(m, 0)]}{1 \cdot 1} \\ &= \frac{(n \cdot m + 0 \cdot 0, 0 \cdot m + n \cdot 0)}{1} \\ &= \frac{(n \cdot m, 0)}{1} \\ &= i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n \cdot m)) \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}} \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}} \text{ we have } x \cdot y \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}} \quad (8.20)$$

As  $\sim[(1, 0)] = 1 \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have that  $\frac{\sim[(1, 0)]}{1} = \frac{1}{1} = 1 \in \mathbb{Q}$ , so  $1 = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(1))$  proving that

$$1 \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}} \quad (8.21)$$

Using [eq: 8.20] and [eq: 8.21] we have that

$\langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, \cdot \rangle$  is a sub semi-group  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \cdot \rangle$

4. Using [theorem: 7.17] and [theorem: 8.33] we have that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  and  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$  are bijections, hence  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  and  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  are injections, so that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  is a injection, which as  $\mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}} = (i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}})(\mathbb{N}_0)$  proves that

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}} \text{ is bijective} \quad (8.22)$$

Further we have:

- a. If  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x + y) &= i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x + y)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.17}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(x) + i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(y)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.33}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(x)) + i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(y)) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x) + i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y) \end{aligned} \quad (8.23)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(0) = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(0)) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.17}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(0) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.33}]}{=} 0 \quad (8.24)$$

Hence by [eq: 8.22], [eq: 8.23] and [eq: 8.24] we have

$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, + \rangle$  is a group isomorphism

- b. If  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x \cdot y) &= i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x \cdot y)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.17}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(x) \cdot i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(y)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.33}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(x)) \cdot i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(y)) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x) \cdot i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y) \end{aligned} \quad (8.25)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(1) = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(1)) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.17}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(1) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.33}]}{=} 1 \quad (8.26)$$

Hence by [eq: 8.22], [eq: 8.25] and [eq: 8.26]

$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, \cdot \rangle$  is a group isomorphism

- c. If  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}_0$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} x \leq y &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 7.29}]}{\Leftrightarrow} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(x) \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(y) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.33}]}{\Leftrightarrow} i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(x)) \leq i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(y)) \\ &\Leftrightarrow i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x) \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y) \end{aligned}$$

proving together with [eq: 8.22] that

$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, \leq \rangle$  is a order isomorphism.

5. If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}$  then there exist a  $n' \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that

$$n = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(n') = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n')) = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(\sim[(n', 0)]) = \frac{\sim[(n', 0)]}{1}$$

now  $\sim[(n', 0)] \cdot 1 = \sim[(n', 0)] \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  so that  $n \in \mathbb{Q}_0^+$  or

$$0 \leq n$$

If  $n \neq 0$  then by [eq: 8.24]  $n' \neq 0 \Rightarrow 0 < n'$  so by [theorem: 5.50]  $1 = s(0) \leq n'$ . Using (3) we have that

$$1 \underset{[\text{eq: 8.26}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(1) \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(n') = n$$

as by [example: 8.26]  $0 < 1$  we have

$$0 < 1 < n$$

□

**Theorem 8.37. (Archimedean Property)** *If  $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $0 < x$  then there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}$  such that  $y < n \cdot x$*

**Proof.** For  $y \in \mathbb{Q}$  we have the following possibilities to consider:

**$y \leq 0$ .** Take  $1 \in \mathbb{Q}$  then by [theorem: 8.36]  $1 \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}$  so if we take  $n = 1$  then  $y \leq 0 < x = 1 \cdot x = n \cdot x$ , hence  $y < n \cdot x$ .

**$0 < y$ .** As also  $0 < x$  we have by [theorem: 8.25] the existence of  $p, q, r, s \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $0 < p$ ,  $0 < q$ ,  $0 < r$ ,  $0 < s$  such that  $x = \frac{p}{q}$  and  $y = \frac{r}{s}$ . As  $0 < p \wedge 0 < s$  we have by [theorem: 7.26] that  $0 < p \cdot s$ . Using the Archimedean property of  $\mathbb{Z}$  [see theorem: 7.30] there exist a  $n' \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  such that  $q \cdot r < n' \cdot (p \cdot s)$  or

$$0 < n' \cdot (p \cdot s) + (-(q \cdot r)) \quad (8.27)$$

As  $n' \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  there exists a  $n'' \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $n' = \sim[(n'', 0)]$  so that if we take  $n = \frac{n'}{1} = \frac{\sim[(n'', 0)]}{1}$  we have  $n = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n''))$  so that

$$n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}} \quad (8.28)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} n \cdot x - y &= \frac{n'}{1} \cdot x + (-y) \\ &= \frac{n'}{1} \cdot \frac{p}{q} + \frac{-r}{s} \\ &= \frac{n' \cdot p}{1 \cdot q} + \frac{-r}{s} \\ &= \frac{n' \cdot p}{q} + \frac{-r}{s} \\ &= \frac{(n' \cdot p) \cdot s + q \cdot (-r)}{q \cdot s} \\ &= \frac{n' \cdot (p \cdot s) + (-(q \cdot r))}{q \cdot s} \end{aligned} \quad (8.29)$$

As  $0 < q \wedge 0 < s \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 7.26}]} 0 < q \cdot s$  and  $0 < n' \cdot (p \cdot s) + (-(q \cdot r))$  [see eq: 8.27] it follows using [theorem: 8.25] that  $0 < n \cdot x - y$  h

$$y < n \cdot x \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}$$

□

**Theorem 8.38. ( $\mathbb{Q}$  is dense)** *If  $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $x < y$  then there exist a  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $x < q < y$ .*

**Proof.** As  $x < y$  we have by [theorems 8.30, 4.73] that  $x + x < y + x = x + y$  and  $x + y < y + y$ . Further  $x + x = 1 \cdot x + 1 \cdot x = (1 + 1) \cdot x \underset{[\text{example: 8.13}]}{=} \frac{2}{1} \cdot x$  and  $y + y = 1 \cdot y + 1 \cdot y = (1 + 1) \cdot y \underset{[\text{example: 8.13}]}{=} \frac{2}{1} \cdot y$ . So

$$\frac{2}{1} \cdot x < x + y \text{ and } x + y < \frac{2}{1} \cdot y \quad (8.30)$$

As  $0 < 1 < 1 + 1 = 2$  we have by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73]  $0 < (\frac{2}{1})^{-1} = \frac{1}{2}$ , so using [theorems: 8.30, 4.73] on [eq: 8.30] that  $x < \frac{1}{2} \cdot (x + y)$  and  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot (x + y) < y$ . So if  $q = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (x + y)$  we have that

$$x < q < y$$

□

**Theorem 8.39.**  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered



**Proof.** Using the previous theorem [theorem: 8.39] we have that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}$  is a order isomorphism, further by [theorem: 5.51]  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered. so using [theorem: 3.79] we conclude that

$$\langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is well ordered} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 8.40.**  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete

**Proof.** As by [theorem: 8.39]  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, \leq \rangle$  is well-ordered it follows from [theorem: 3.81] that  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete.  $\square$

Although  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  is not conditional complete as we will prove now. First we have a lemma that essentially says that  $\sqrt{2}$  is not a rational number.

**Lemma 8.41.**  $\forall q \in \mathbb{Q}$  we have  $q^2 = q \cdot q \neq 2 = \frac{2}{1}$ .

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction. Assume that  $\exists q' \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $q' \cdot q' = 2$ , then  $q' \neq 0$  [if  $q' = 0 \Rightarrow q' \cdot q' = 0 = 2$ ]. Take  $q = \begin{cases} -q' & \text{if } q' < 0 \\ q' & \text{if } q' > 0 \end{cases}$  then

$$0 < q \text{ and } q \cdot q = 2$$

Using [theorem: 8.25] there exist  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $0 < n \wedge 0 < m$  such that  $q = \frac{n}{m}$ . Take now  $n' = n / \gcd(n, m)$  and  $m' = m / \gcd(n, m)$  then as  $m \neq 0 \Rightarrow m' \neq 0$  we have by [theorem: 7.49] that

$$\{d \in \mathbb{Z} \mid d \mid n' \wedge d \mid m'\} = \{1, -1\} \quad (8.31)$$

Now

$$\frac{n'}{m'} \stackrel{0 < \gcd(n, m) \wedge [\text{theorem: 8.5}]}{=} \frac{n' \cdot \gcd(n, m)}{m' \cdot \gcd(n, m)} = \frac{n}{m} = q$$

so that

$$\frac{n' \cdot n'}{m' \cdot m'} = \frac{n'}{m'} \cdot \frac{n'}{m'} = q \cdot q = \frac{2}{1}$$

Hence  $(n' \cdot n') \cdot 1 = (m' \cdot m') \cdot 2$  or  $n' \cdot n' = 2 \cdot (m' \cdot m')$  proving that  $n' \cdot n'$  is even, using [theorem: 7.52] it follows then that  $n'$  is even. So there exist a  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $n' = 2 \cdot k$ . Then  $2 \cdot (m' \cdot m') = (2 \cdot k) \cdot (2 \cdot k) = 2 \cdot (2 \cdot (k \cdot k))$ , hence by [theorem: 7.15]  $m' \cdot m' = 2 \cdot (k \cdot k)$  proving that  $m' \cdot m'$  is even, by [theorem: 7.52]  $m'$  is even hence  $\exists l \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $m' = 2 \cdot l$ . So  $2 \mid n'$  and  $2 \mid m'$  which by [eq: 8.31] means that  $2 = 1$  or  $2 = -1$  both of which are false, so we reach a contradiction.  $\square$

**Theorem 8.42.**  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  is not conditional complete, so there exist a non empty subset of  $\mathbb{Q}$  that is bounded above but does not have a least upper bound.

**Proof.** In this prove we make use of the fact that there does not exist a  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $q \cdot q = 2$ . So define

$$A = \left\{ q \in \mathbb{Q} \mid 0 < q \wedge q \cdot q < \frac{2}{1} \right\} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$$

As  $0 < \frac{4}{3}$  and  $\frac{2}{1} + \left(-\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)\right) = \frac{18-16}{9} = \frac{2}{9} > 0$  so that  $\frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{4}{3} < 2$  we have that

$$\frac{4}{3} \in A \Rightarrow \emptyset \neq A \quad (8.32)$$

Let  $x \in A$  then  $0 < x$  and  $x \cdot x < \frac{2}{1}$ . Assume that  $\frac{2}{1} < x$  then by multiplying both sides by  $x$  we have by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73] that  $\frac{2}{1} \cdot x < x \cdot x < \frac{2}{1} = 1 \cdot \frac{2}{1}$  we have by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73] that  $x < \frac{2}{1}$  contradicting  $\frac{2}{1} < x$ . So we must have that  $x \leq \frac{2}{1}$  hence

$$\frac{2}{1} \text{ is a upper bound of } A \quad (8.33)$$

Assume now that  $u = \sup(A)$  exist. As  $\frac{4}{3} + (-1) = \frac{4}{3} + \frac{-1}{1} = \frac{4+(-3)}{3} = \frac{1}{3} > 0$  it follows that  $1 < \frac{4}{3} \in A$  so that  $0 < 1 < u$  and as  $\frac{2}{1}$  is a upper bound of  $A$  we have

$$0 < 1 < u < \frac{2}{1} \quad (8.34)$$

Now for  $u \cdot u$  we have by [theorem: 8.41] that  $u \cdot u \neq \frac{2}{1}$  so we have only to consider the following possibilities:

$u \cdot u < \frac{2}{1}$ . So  $0 < \frac{2}{1} + (-u \cdot u)$  and by the Archimedean property [see theorem: 8.37] there exist a  $n' \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}$  such that

$$\frac{5}{1} < n' \cdot \left( \frac{2}{1} - u \cdot u \right)$$

Using [theorem 8.36] we have that  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  such that  $n' = \frac{n}{1}$ , further  $n \neq 0$  [otherwise  $\frac{5}{1} < \frac{0}{1} \cdot (\frac{2}{1} - u \cdot u) = 0$ ] so there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \setminus \{0\}$  such that

$$\frac{5}{1} < \frac{n}{1} \cdot \left( \frac{2}{1} - u \cdot u \right)$$

multiplying both sides by  $\frac{1}{n} = \left(\frac{n}{1}\right)^{-1}$  gives

$$\frac{5}{n} < \frac{2}{1} - u \cdot u \quad (8.35)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \left(u + \frac{1}{n}\right) \cdot \left(u + \frac{1}{n}\right) &= u \cdot u + u \cdot \frac{1}{n} + u \cdot \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \\ &= u \cdot u + \frac{2}{1} \cdot u \cdot \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \end{aligned}$$

and thus

$$\begin{aligned} \left(u + \frac{1}{n}\right) \cdot \left(u + \frac{1}{n}\right) < \frac{2}{1} &\Leftrightarrow u \cdot u + \frac{2}{1} \cdot u \cdot \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} < \frac{2}{1} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{2}{1} \cdot u \cdot \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} < \frac{2}{1} - u \cdot u \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{2}{n} \cdot u + \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} < \frac{2}{1} - u \cdot u \quad (8.36) \end{aligned}$$

As  $0 < n$ , so that by [theorem: 7.23]  $1 \leq n$ , hence  $0 \leq n - 1$ . Now

$$\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n \cdot n} = \frac{n \cdot n - n \cdot 1}{n \cdot n} = \frac{n \cdot (n - 1)}{n \cdot n} = \frac{n - 1}{n} \geq 0$$

giving

$$\frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{n} \quad (8.37)$$

Further as  $u < \frac{2}{1}$  [see eq: 8.34] we have by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73] and that  $0 < \frac{2}{n}$  [as  $0 < n \wedge 0 < 2$ ]

$$u \cdot \frac{2}{n} < \frac{2}{n} \cdot \frac{2}{1} = \frac{4}{n} \quad (8.38)$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{n} \cdot u + \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} &\leq_{[\text{eq: 8.37}]} \frac{2}{n} \cdot u + \frac{1}{n} \\ 1 &\leq_{[\text{eq: 8.38}]} \frac{4}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \\ &= \left(\frac{4}{1} + \frac{1}{1}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{n} \\ &= \frac{5}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \\ &= \frac{5}{n} \\ &<_{[\text{eq: 8.35}]} \frac{2}{1} - u \cdot u \end{aligned}$$

So by [eq: 8.36] we have

$$\left(u + \frac{1}{n}\right) \cdot \left(u + \frac{1}{n}\right) < \frac{2}{1}$$

By [eq: 8.34]  $0 < u \Rightarrow 0 < u + \frac{1}{n}$  which together with the above proves that  $u + \frac{1}{n} \in A$ , so  $u + \frac{1}{n} \leq \sup(A) = u$ , which as  $u < u + \frac{1}{n}$  leads to the contradiction  $u < u$ . So this case is impossible.

$\frac{2}{1} < u \cdot u$ . So  $0 < u \cdot u + \frac{-2}{1}$  and using the Archimedean property there exist a  $n' \in \mathbb{N}_0, \mathbb{Q}$  such that

$$\frac{2}{1} \cdot u < n' \cdot \left( u \cdot u + \frac{-2}{1} \right) \quad (8.39)$$

Using [theorem: 8.36] there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$  such that  $n' = \frac{n}{1}$ . If  $n = 0 \Rightarrow n' = 0$  so that  $\frac{2}{1} \cdot u < 0 \cdot \left( u \cdot u + \frac{-2}{1} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow u < 0$  contradicting  $0 < u$  [see eq: 8.34], hence we must have that  $n \neq 0$  or  $0 < n$ , so  $(n')^{-1} = \frac{1}{n}$  exist and  $0 < \frac{1}{n}$ . Next

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{1} \cdot u < n' \cdot \left( u \cdot u + \frac{-2}{1} \right) &\Rightarrow \frac{2}{1} \cdot u < \frac{n}{1} \cdot \left( u \cdot u + \frac{-2}{1} \right) \\ &\Rightarrow \left( \frac{2}{1} \cdot u \right) \cdot \frac{1}{n} < \left( \frac{n}{1} \cdot \left( u \cdot u + \frac{-2}{1} \right) \right) \cdot \frac{1}{n} \\ &\stackrel{0 < \frac{1}{n} \wedge [\text{theorems: 8.30, 4.73}]}{\Rightarrow} \frac{2}{n} \cdot u < u \cdot u + \frac{-2}{1} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{2}{1} < u \cdot u + \frac{-2}{n} \cdot u \end{aligned}$$

which as  $0 < \frac{1}{n} \Rightarrow 0 < \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n}$  proves that

$$\frac{2}{1} < u \cdot u + \frac{-2}{n} \cdot u + \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \quad (8.40)$$

As  $0 < n$  we have that  $1 \leq n$  which by [theorem: 8.28] gives  $\frac{1}{n} < 1$  and as  $1 < u$  we have  $\frac{1}{n} < u$ , hence

$$0 < u + \left( \frac{-1}{n} \right) \stackrel{[\text{theorems: 8.30, 4.73}]}{\Rightarrow} 0 < \left( u + \frac{-1}{n} \right) \cdot \left( u + \frac{-1}{n} \right) \quad (8.41)$$

As  $0 < \frac{1}{n} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{\Rightarrow} \frac{-1}{n} < 0$  so that  $u + \frac{-1}{n} < u$ , as  $u = \sup(A)$  and  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered we have by [theorem: 3.68] that there exist a  $q \in A$  such that

$$u + \frac{-1}{n} < q \leq u \quad (8.42)$$

Multiplying both sides of [eq: 8.42] by  $u + \frac{-1}{n}$  we have by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73] that

$$\left( u + \frac{-1}{n} \right) \cdot \left( u + \frac{-1}{n} \right) < q \cdot \left( u + \frac{-1}{n} \right),$$

further as  $0 < u + \frac{-1}{n} < q \Rightarrow 0 < q$  we have, by multiplying both sides of [eq: 8.42] by  $q$ , that

$$\left( u + \frac{-1}{n} \right) \cdot q < q \cdot q.$$

Hence  $\left( u + \frac{-1}{n} \right) \cdot \left( u + \frac{-1}{n} \right) < q \cdot q$  and as  $q \in A$  we have also  $q \cdot q < \frac{2}{1}$  so that

$$\left( u + \frac{-1}{n} \right) \cdot \left( u + \frac{-1}{n} \right) < \frac{2}{1} \quad (8.43)$$

Next

$$\begin{aligned} \left( u + \frac{-1}{n} \right) \cdot \left( u + \frac{-1}{n} \right) &= u \cdot u + \frac{-1}{n} \cdot u + \frac{-1}{n} \cdot n + \frac{-1}{n} \cdot \frac{-1}{n} \\ &= u \cdot u + \frac{-2}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \end{aligned}$$

which by [eq: 8.43] proves that  $u \cdot u + \frac{-2}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} < \frac{2}{1}$ , combining this with [eq: 8.40] result in  $\frac{2}{1} < \frac{2}{1}$  a contradiction. So this case is impossible.

As all possible cases are impossible, the assumption is wrong hence  $A$  has no supremum and  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  is not conditional complete.  $\square$

So we have that  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete but  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  is not. This defect will be resolved by introducing the set of real numbers that will extend the set of rationals.

### 8.3 Denumerability of the rationals

**Theorem 8.43.**  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}}$  is denumerable.

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 8.36]  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}}$  is a bijection, hence  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{Q}$  proving that  $\mathbb{Q}$  is denumerable.  $\square$

**Theorem 8.44.**  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$  is denumerable

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 7.53] we have that  $\mathbb{Z}$  is denumerable, further by [theorem: 8.33]

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$$

is a bijection, hence  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{Q} \approx \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$ , proving that  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$  is denumerable.  $\square$

**Theorem 8.45.**  $\mathbb{Q}$  is denumerable

**Proof.** Define the mapping  $f: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{y} & \text{if } (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^* \\ 0 & \text{if } (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \{0\} \end{cases}$$

If  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  then there exist a  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^* \subseteq \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $q = \frac{x}{y} = f(x, y)$  proving that

$$f: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q} \text{ is a surjection}$$

As  $\mathbb{Z}$  is denumerable [see theorem: 7.53] we have by [theorem: 6.58] that  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  is denumerable, hence there exist a bijection  $g: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ , so  $f \circ g: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  is a surjection. By [theorem: 6.65]  $\mathbb{Q}$  is countable, hence either finite or denumerable. As  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{Q}}$  is denumerable, it follow from [theorem: 6.27] that  $\mathbb{Q}$  is not finite, hence we must have that  $\mathbb{Q}$  is denumerable.  $\square$

# Chapter 9

## The real numbers

In this chapter we will introduce the set of real numbers and embed the natural, integer and rational numbers in it. Just as with  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{N}_0$  we will introduce a order relation, a sum operator, a product operator, neutral elements for addition and multiplication as well as inverse elements. If we would use different symbols for these we introduce a lot of excessive notation clutter. So we use the same symbols for the natural numbers, integers, rational numbers and real numbers and use context to determine the meaning of the symbols involved. The following table should help you in determining the meaning of the different symbols based on the context of there usage.

Context	Expression	Operator
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n+m$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n \cdot m$	product in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n \leq m$	order in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n < m$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n - m$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n + 0$ or $0 + n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$-n$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n+m$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n \cdot m$	product in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \cdot \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n \leq m$	order in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n < m$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n - m$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, - \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n + 0$ or $0 + n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \cdot \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$-n$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q+r$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q \cdot r$	product in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \cdot \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q \leq r$	order in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q < r$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$
$q, e \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q - r$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, - \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q/r$	division in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \cdot \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q + 0$ or $0 + q$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot q$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \cdot \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{Q}$	$-q$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{R}$	$q+r$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{R}$	$q \cdot r$	product in $\langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{R}$	$q \leq r$	order in $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{R}$	$q < r$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$
$q, e \in \mathbb{R}$	$q - r$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{R}, - \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{R}$	$q/r$	division in $\langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{R}$	$q + 0$ or $0 + q$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{R}$	$q \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot q$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{R}$	$-q$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$

## 9.1 Definition and Arithmetic on $\mathbb{R}$

### 9.1.1 Definition of the real numbers

**Definition 9.1. (Dedekind Cut)** A subset  $\alpha \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$  is a Dedekind's cut of  $\mathbb{Q}$  if the following properties hold

1.  $\alpha \neq \emptyset$
2.  $\alpha \neq \mathbb{Q}$  [which as  $\alpha \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$  implies that  $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \neq \emptyset$ ]
3.  $\forall q \in \alpha \wedge \forall r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  we have  $q < r$
4.  $\alpha$  does not have a greatest element [or maximum]

So a Dedekind cut  $\alpha$  divides  $\mathbb{Q}$  in two disjoint pieces so that  $\alpha \neq \emptyset \neq \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  where every element in  $\alpha$  is strict lower of elements in  $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  and  $\alpha$  has not a greatest element. The collection of Dedekind cuts will form the set of real numbers.

**Definition 9.2.** The set of real numbers, noted as  $\mathbb{R}$  is the set of Dedekind cuts of  $\mathbb{Q}$  hence

$$\mathbb{R} = \{\alpha \subseteq \mathbb{Q} \mid \alpha \text{ is a Dedekind cut}\}$$

**Lemma 9.3.**  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  we have  $\forall q \in \alpha$  that  $\forall r \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $r \leq q$  we have  $r \in \alpha$

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction, so assume that there exist a  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , a  $q \in \alpha$  and a  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $r \leq q$  such that  $r \notin \alpha$ . As  $r \notin \alpha$  we have that  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  hence by definition of a Dedekind cut that  $q < r$  contradicting  $r \leq q$ .  $\square$

We prove now that every rational number can be associated with a Dedekind cut of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

**Theorem 9.4. (Rational cuts)** If  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  then  $\alpha_q = \{r \in \mathbb{Q} \mid r < q\}$  is a Dedekind cut. Dedekind cuts of this form are called rational cuts. Furthermore we have:

1.  $\alpha_q = \alpha_r \Leftrightarrow q = r$
2.  $\alpha$  is a rational cut  $\Leftrightarrow q = \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$  exist and in that case  $\alpha = \alpha_q$

**Proof.** First we prove that given  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$   $\alpha_q = \{r \in \mathbb{Q} \mid r < q\}$  is a cut.

1. As  $q + (-(q + (-1))) = q + (-q + (-(-1))) = 1 > 0$  so that  $q - 1 < q$  hence  $q - 1 \in \alpha_q$  proving that  $\alpha_q \neq \emptyset$ .
2. As  $q < q$  is false we have that  $q \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_q$  so that  $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_q \neq \emptyset$ .
3. If  $r \in \alpha_q$  and  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_q$  then  $r < q$  and  $\neg(s < q) \Rightarrow q \leq s$  so that  $r < s$ .
4. Assume that  $m$  is a greatest element of  $\alpha_q$  then  $m \in \alpha_q$  and  $\forall r \in \alpha_q$  we have  $r \leq m$ . As  $m \in \alpha_q$  we have that  $m < q$ , using the density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  [see theorem: 8.38] there exist a  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $m < r < q$ . As  $r < q$  we have that  $r \in \alpha_q$  so that  $r \leq m$  contradicting  $m < r$ . So the assumption is false proving that  $\alpha_q$  has no greatest element.

Next we prove (1) and (2)

1.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $\alpha_q = \alpha_r$  then if  $q \neq r$  we have either

$q < r$ . then  $q \in \alpha_r$  and so that  $q \in \alpha_q$  resulting in the contradiction  $q < q$ .

$r < q$ . then  $r \in \alpha_q$  and so that  $r \in \alpha_r$  resulting in the contradiction  $r < r$ .

so we must have  $q = r$ .

$$\Leftarrow. s \in \alpha_q \Leftrightarrow s \in \mathbb{Q} \wedge s < q \underset{r=q}{\Leftrightarrow} s \in \mathbb{Q} \wedge s < r \Leftrightarrow s \in \alpha_r \text{ hence } \alpha_q = \alpha_r$$

2.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $\alpha$  is a rational cut then there exist a  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $\alpha = \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r < q\}$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha &\Leftrightarrow s \in \mathbb{Q} \wedge \neg(s < q) \\ &\Leftrightarrow s \in \mathbb{Q} \wedge q \leq s \\ &\Leftrightarrow s \in \{s \in \mathbb{Q} | q \leq s\} \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha = \{s \in \mathbb{Q} | q \leq s\}$ . So  $q \in \{s \in \mathbb{Q} | q \leq s\}$  and  $\forall s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  we have  $q \leq s$  proving that  $q = \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$  and  $\alpha = \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r < q\} = \alpha_q$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $q = \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$  exists then  $q \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  and  $\forall r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  we have  $q \leq r$ . If now  $r \in \alpha$  then by the definition of a cut we have  $r < q$ , hence  $r \in \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r < q\} = \alpha_q$ . Further if  $r \in \alpha_q$  then  $r < q$ , assume that  $r \notin \alpha$  then we have  $q \leq r$  contradicting  $r < q$ , so we must have that  $r \in \alpha$ . Hence we have that

$$\alpha = \alpha_q \text{ where } q = \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha) \quad \square$$

**Corollary 9.5.**  $\mathbb{R} \neq \emptyset$

**Proof.** As  $0, 1 \in \mathbb{Q}$  we have that  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1 \in \mathbb{R}$  proving that  $\mathbb{R} \neq \emptyset$   $\square$

We embed now the rational numbers in the set of reals.

**Definition 9.6.** The set  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is defined by

$$\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} = \{\alpha_q | q \in \mathbb{Q}\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$$

where  $\alpha_q = \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r < q\}$

To make the above a embedding we need a bijection between  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and once we have defined sum, product and order that it is field and order isomorphism. We start with providing a bijection.

**Theorem 9.7.**  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  defined by  $i_{\mathbb{Q}}(q) = \alpha_q$  is a bijection.

**Proof.** We have

**reflexivity.** If  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(q) = i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(r)$  then  $\alpha_q = \alpha_r$  so that by [theorem: 9.4]

**surjective.** If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  we have a  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $\alpha = \alpha_q = i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(q)$   $\square$

**Corollary 9.8.** The set  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is denumerable.

**Proof.** As  $\mathbb{Q}$  is denumerable we have that  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{Q}$ , further from the previous theorem [theorem: 9.7] we have  $\mathbb{Q} \approx \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  so that  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$ . Hence  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is denumerable.  $\square$

**Theorem 9.9. (Gap theorem)** If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $0 < \varepsilon$  there  $\exists q \in \alpha$  and  $\exists r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  such that

$$r - q = r + (-q) < \varepsilon$$

**Proof.** Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}$ . By the definition of a cut there exist a  $q' \in \alpha$  and a  $r' \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  such that  $q' < r'$ , so  $0 < r' + (-q') = r' - q'$  and we have by the Archimedean property [see theorem: 8.37] the existence of a  $k \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}$  such that  $r' - q' < k \cdot \varepsilon$ . If  $k = 0$  then we would have that  $0 < r' - q' < 0$  a contradiction, so  $k \neq 0$  which by [theorem: 8.36] proves that  $0 < k$ . Applying [theorems: 8.30, 4.73] we have that  $0 < k^{-1}$ , so multiplying both sides of  $r' - q' < k \cdot \varepsilon$  gives

$$k^{-1} \cdot (r' - q') < \varepsilon \quad (9.1)$$

Define now

$$A = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}} \mid q' + (n \cdot k^{-1}) \cdot (r' - q') \notin \alpha\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}$$

As  $q' + (k \cdot k^{-1}) \cdot (r' - q') = q' + (r' - q') = r' \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  it follows that  $k \in A$  so that  $A \neq \emptyset$ , as  $\mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}$  is well ordered [see theorem: 8.39] it follows that  $k' = \min(A)$  exist. If  $k' = 0$  then as  $k' \in A$  we would have  $q' = q' + (0 \cdot k^{-1}) \cdot (r' - q') \notin \alpha$  contradicting  $q' \in \alpha$ , so we must have that  $k' \neq 0$  and using [theorem: 8.36] it follows that  $1 \leq k'$ , hence  $0 \leq k' - 1$ , where by [theorem: 8.36]  $k' - 1 \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{Q}}$ . As by [theorem: 8.27]  $k' - 1 < k'$  we have as  $k' = \min(A)$  that  $k' - 1 \notin A$  so that

$$q' + ((k' - 1) \cdot k^{-1}) \cdot (r' - q') \in \alpha$$

Define now  $q = q' + ((k' - 1) \cdot k^{-1}) \cdot (r' - q')$  and  $r = q' + (k' \cdot k^{-1}) \cdot (r' - q')$  then we have

$$q \in \alpha \text{ and } r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$$

Next

$$\begin{aligned} r - q &= (q' + (k' \cdot k^{-1}) \cdot (r' - q')) - (q' + ((k' - 1) \cdot k^{-1}) \cdot (r' - q')) \\ &= (k' \cdot k^{-1}) \cdot (r' - q') - ((k' - 1) \cdot k^{-1}) \cdot (r' - q') \\ &= k^{-1} \cdot (r' - q') \\ &< \varepsilon \quad [\text{see eq: 9.1}] \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 9.10. (Negative cut)** If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $-\alpha$  defined by

$$-\alpha = \{r \mid -r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ such that } \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \models t < -r\}$$

is a Dedekind cut called the **negative cut**.

**Proof.**

1. As  $\alpha$  is a Dedekind cut we have by [definition: 9.1 (2)] that  $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \neq \emptyset$  so there exist a  $q \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ . Assume that  $q + 1 \in \alpha$  then by [definition: 9.1 (3)] we have  $q + 1 < q$  a contradiction, so we must have that  $q + 1 \notin \alpha$  or  $q + 1 \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ . Hence we have  $-(-(q + 1)) = q + 1 \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  and  $q \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  with  $q < q + 1 = -(-(q + 1))$  proving that  $-(q + 1) \in -\alpha$  or that

$$-\alpha \neq \emptyset$$

2. As  $\alpha$  is a Dedekind cut we have by [definition: 9.1 (1)] that  $\alpha \neq \emptyset$  so there exist a  $q \in \alpha$  hence  $q \notin \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ . If  $-q \in -\alpha$  then  $q = -(-q) \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  contradicting  $q \notin \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  hence we must have that  $-q \notin -\alpha$  proving that

$$-\alpha \neq \mathbb{Q}$$

3. Let  $q \in -\alpha$  and  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus -\alpha$ . Assume that  $s \leq q$  then by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73]

$$-q \leq -s \tag{9.2}$$

As  $q \in -\alpha$  we have that

$$-q \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ and } \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \models t < -q \tag{9.3}$$

If  $-s \in \alpha$  then as  $-q \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  we have by [definition: 9.1 (3)] that  $-s < -q$  contradicting [eq: 9.2] hence we must have that  $-s \notin \alpha$  such that  $-s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ . Using [eq: 9.2] and [eq: 9.3] we have  $\exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  such that  $t < -q < -s$  so we have that  $s \in -\alpha$  contradicting  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus -\alpha$ . So the assumption is wrong and we have

$$q < s$$

4. Assume that  $-\alpha$  has a greatest element  $m$  then

$$m \in -\alpha \text{ and } \forall r \in -\alpha \text{ we have } r \leq m \tag{9.4}$$



As  $m \in -\alpha$  we have that

$$-m \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ and } \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \models t < -m \xRightarrow{[\text{theorems: 8.30, 4.73}]} m < -t \quad (9.5)$$

For  $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  we have now two cases to consider:

**min( $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ ) does not exist.** As  $t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  and min( $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ ) does not exist there exist a  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  such that  $s < t$ , we have  $-(-t) \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \wedge s < (-t)$  proving that  $-t \in -\alpha$  hence by [eq: 9.4] that  $-t \leq m$  contradicting [eq 9.5].

**min( $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ ) exist.** As  $-m \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  we have min( $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ )  $\leq -m$ , further as  $t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \wedge t < -m$   $-m \neq \min(\mathbb{Q})$  so that min( $\mathbb{Q}$ )  $< -m$ . Using the density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  [see 8.38] there exist a  $s \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that

$$\min(\mathbb{Q}) < s < -m \quad (9.6)$$

If  $s \in \alpha$  then as min( $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ )  $\in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  we have by [definition: 9.1 (4)] that  $s < \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$  contradicting min( $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ )  $< s$ , so we must have that  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ . Hence  $s = -(-s) \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ , min( $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ )  $\in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  and min( $\mathbb{Q}$ )  $< s = -(-s)$  proving that  $-s \in -\alpha$ . Using [eq: 9.4] it follows that  $-s \leq m$  or  $-m \leq s$  contradicting [eq: 9.6]

So in all cases we reach a contradiction so that the assumption is wrong. Hence

$$-\alpha \text{ has no greatest element} \quad \square$$

For rational cuts there is a simpler expression for negative cuts of  $\alpha$  as cut

**Theorem 9.11.** *If  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  then  $-\alpha_q = \alpha_{-q}$*

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 9.4] we have that

$$\min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_q) \text{ exist and } q = \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_q)$$

If  $x \in -\alpha_q$  then  $-x \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_q \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  such that  $t < -x$  so that  $-x \neq \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha) = q$ . As  $\alpha_q = \{r \in \mathbb{Q} \mid r < q\}$  and  $-x \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_q$  we have  $q \leq -x$  or  $x \leq -q$  which as  $-x \neq q \Rightarrow x \neq -q$ , gives  $x < -q$ . Hence  $x \in \{r \in \mathbb{Q} \mid r < -q\} = \alpha_{-q}$  proving that

$$-\alpha_q \subseteq \alpha_{-q} \quad (9.7)$$

If  $x \in \alpha_{-q}$  then  $x < -q$ , so that  $q < -x$  hence  $-x \notin \{x \in \mathbb{Q} \mid x < q\} = \alpha_q$  and  $q < -x$  where  $q = \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_q) \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_q$  proving that  $x \in -\alpha_q$ . So  $\alpha_{-q} \subseteq \alpha_q$ , combining this with [eq: 9.7] gives

$$-\alpha_q = \alpha_{-q} \quad \square$$

## 9.1.2 Arithmetic in $\mathbb{R}$

### 9.1.2.1 Addition in $\mathbb{R}$

**Definition 9.12.** *If  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  then we define  $\alpha + \beta$  by*

$$\alpha + \beta = \{q + r \mid q \in \alpha \wedge r \in \beta\}$$

Before we can use the above definition to define the addition operator in  $\mathbb{R}$  we must prove that  $\alpha + \beta$  is a Dedekind cut hence a element of  $\mathbb{R}$ . First we need a little lemma.

**Lemma 9.13.**  *$\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $0 < \varepsilon$  there exist a  $r \in \alpha$  such that  $r + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$*

**Proof.** Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $0 < \varepsilon$ . Using [theorem: 9.9] there exist a  $q \in \alpha$  and a  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  such that  $r - q < \varepsilon$ . Assume that  $q + \varepsilon \in \alpha$  then we have by the definition of a cut that  $q + \varepsilon < r$  so that  $\varepsilon < r - q$  contradicting  $r - q < \varepsilon$ . Hence we must have that  $q + \varepsilon \notin \alpha$  or  $q + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$   $\square$

**Theorem 9.14.**  *$\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  we have that  $\alpha + \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ , hence  $+: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where  $+(\alpha, \beta) = \alpha + \beta$  is a operator on  $\mathbb{R}$ .*

**Proof.** Given Dedekind cuts  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  we must prove that  $\alpha + \beta$  is a Dedekind cut.

1. As  $\alpha \neq \emptyset$  and  $\beta \neq \emptyset$  it follows that  $\exists a \in \alpha$  and  $\exists b \in \beta$  so that  $\alpha + \beta \in \{q + r \mid q \in \alpha \wedge r \in \beta\} = \alpha + \beta$ , proving that

$$\alpha + \beta \neq \emptyset$$

2. Given  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} \in \mathbb{Q}$  we can as  $0 < \varepsilon$  use [lemma: 9.13] find a  $r' \in \alpha$  and a  $s' \in \beta$  such that  $q' + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  and  $r' + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \beta$ . Assume that  $q' + y' + 1 \in \alpha + \beta$  then there exists a  $q \in \alpha$  and  $r \in \beta$  such that

$$q' + y' + 1 = q + r \quad (9.8)$$

As  $q \in \alpha \wedge q' + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  and  $r \in \beta \wedge r' + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \beta$  it follows from the definition of Dedekind cuts that  $q < q' + \varepsilon$  and  $r < r' + \varepsilon$  so that  $q + r < q' + r' + 2 \cdot \varepsilon = q' + r' + 1 \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.8}]}{=} q + r$  giving the contradiction that  $q + r < q + r$ . So we must have that  $q' + r' + 1 \notin \alpha + \beta$  proving that

$$\alpha + \beta \neq \mathbb{Q}$$

3. Let  $s \in \alpha + \beta$  and  $t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha + \beta$  then there exists a  $q \in \alpha$  and a  $r \in \beta$  such that  $s = q + r$ . Assume now that that  $t \leq s$ , then  $t \leq q + r$ , so that  $t - r \leq q$ , by [theorem: 9.3] it follows then that  $t - r \in \alpha$ . From this and the fact that  $r \in \alpha$  it follows that  $t = (t - r) + r \in \alpha + \beta$  contradicting  $t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha + \beta$ , hence we must have that  $s < t$ .

4. Assume that  $\alpha + \beta$  has a greatest element  $m$  then we have

$$m \in \alpha + \beta \text{ and } \forall q \in \alpha + \beta \text{ we have } q \leq m \quad (9.9)$$

As  $m \in \alpha + \beta$  there exists a  $q \in \alpha$  and a  $r \in \beta$  such that  $m = q + r$ . As  $\alpha$  has no greatest element there exist a  $q' \in \alpha$  such that  $q < q'$ , hence  $m = q + r < q' + r$  which as  $q' + r \in \alpha + \beta$  contradicts [eq: 9.9]. So the assumption is wrong, hence  $\alpha + \beta$  has no greatest element.  $\square$

**Theorem 9.15.**  $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$  is a Abelian group with neutral element  $0 = \alpha_0 = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} \mid q < 0\}$  and if  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $-\alpha$  [the negative cut of  $\alpha$ ] is the inverse element of  $\alpha$ .

**Proof.** We make use of the fact that  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$  is a Abelian group [see theorem: 8.8]. So we have

**associativity.** If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} z \in (\alpha + \beta) + \gamma &\Leftrightarrow z = r + s \wedge r \in (\alpha + \beta) \wedge s \in \gamma \\ &\Leftrightarrow z = (q + t) + s \wedge q \in \alpha \wedge t \in \beta \wedge s \in \gamma \\ &\Leftrightarrow z = q + (t + s) \wedge q \in \alpha \wedge t \in \beta \wedge s \in \gamma \\ &\Leftrightarrow z = q + r \wedge q \in \alpha \wedge r \in \beta + \gamma \\ &\Leftrightarrow z \in \alpha + (\beta + \gamma) \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $(\alpha + \beta) + \gamma = \alpha + (\beta + \gamma)$ .

**commutativity.** If  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} z \in \alpha + \beta &\Leftrightarrow z = r + s \wedge r \in \alpha \wedge s \in \beta \\ &\Leftrightarrow z = s + r \wedge r \in \alpha \wedge s \in \beta \\ &\Leftrightarrow z \in \beta + \alpha \end{aligned}$$

**neutral element.** Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and take  $\alpha_0 = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} \mid q < 0\}$ . If  $q \in \alpha + \alpha_0$  then there exists  $r \in \alpha$  and  $s \in \alpha_0$  such that  $q = r + s$ , as  $s \in \alpha_0$  we have that  $s < 0$  so that  $q = r + s < r$ , using [theorem: 9.3] it follows then that  $q \in \alpha$ . Hence we have that

$$\alpha + \alpha_0 \subseteq \alpha \quad (9.10)$$

If  $q \in \alpha$  then as  $\alpha$  has no maximum there exist a  $r \in \alpha$  such that  $q < r$ , so  $q - r < 0$  so that  $q - r \in \alpha_0$ , hence  $q = (q - r) + r \in \alpha + \alpha_0$ . So  $\alpha \subseteq \alpha + \alpha_0$  which together with [eq: 9.10] proves that

$$\alpha = \alpha + \alpha_0 \stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} \alpha_0 + \alpha$$

**inverse element.** Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and take

$$-\alpha \stackrel{=}{\underset{[\text{theorem: 9.10}]}{}} \{r \mid -r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ such that if } \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha) \text{ exist then } -r \neq \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)\}$$

then we have the following cases to consider:

**$\min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$  does not exist.** If  $q \in \alpha_0$  then  $q < 0$  so that by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73]  $0 < -q$ , by [theorem: 9.13] there exist a  $r \in \alpha$  such that  $-(q + (-r)) = r + (-q) \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ , as  $\min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$  does not exist there exist a  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  such that  $s < r + (-q) = -(q + (-r))$ . So we conclude that  $q + (-r) \in -\alpha$ , hence  $q = (q + (-r)) + r \in (-\alpha) + \alpha$  giving

$$\alpha_0 \subseteq (-\alpha) + \alpha \quad (9.11)$$

If  $q \in (-\alpha) + \alpha$  there exist a  $r \in -\alpha$  and  $s \in \alpha$  such that  $q = r + s$ . As  $r \in -\alpha$  we have that  $-r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ , using [definition: 9.1 (3)] we have then  $s < -r$  so that  $q = s + r < 0$  proving that  $q \in \alpha_0$ . Hence  $(-\alpha) + \alpha \subseteq \alpha_0$  which by [eq: 9.11] proves that

$$\alpha_0 = (-\alpha) + \alpha$$

**$\min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$  exist.**  **$\min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$  exist.** Let  $m = \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$  then by [theorem: 9.4]

$$\alpha = \alpha_m = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} \mid q < m\}$$

Further by [theorem: 9.11] we have then that

$$-\alpha = -\alpha_m = \alpha_{-m}$$

so that

$$\alpha + (-\alpha) = \alpha_m + \alpha_{-m}$$

If  $q \in \alpha + (-\alpha)$  then there exist a  $r \in \alpha_m$  and a  $s \in \alpha_{-m}$  such that  $q = r + s$ . As  $r \in \alpha_m$  we have  $r < m$  and as  $s \in \alpha_{-m}$   $s < -m$  so that  $q = r + s < m + (-m) = 0$  proving that  $q \in \alpha_0$ . Hence

$$\alpha + (-\alpha) \subseteq \alpha_0 \quad (9.12)$$

Further if  $q \in \alpha_0$  then  $q < 0$  then as  $0 < \frac{1}{2} \cdot x < 0$  we have that  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot x < 0$  so that  $m + \frac{1}{2} \cdot q < m$  and  $-m + \frac{1}{2} \cdot q < -m$  so that  $m + \frac{1}{2} \cdot q \in \alpha_m$  and  $-m + \frac{1}{2} \cdot q \in \alpha_{-m}$  hence

$$\left(m + \frac{1}{2} \cdot q\right) + \left(-m + \frac{1}{2} \cdot q\right) \in \alpha_m + \alpha_{-m} = \alpha + (-\alpha)$$

which as  $\left(m + \frac{1}{2} \cdot q\right) + \left(-m + \frac{1}{2} \cdot q\right) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot q + \frac{1}{2} \cdot q = \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot q = q$  proves that  $q \in \alpha + (-\alpha)$ . So  $\alpha_0 \subseteq \alpha + (-\alpha)$  which combined with [eq: 9.12] gives

$$\alpha_0 = \alpha + (-\alpha) \stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} (-\alpha) + \alpha$$

□

### 9.1.2.2 Multiplication

Before we can define multiplication we have to divide the set of real numbers in the positive real numbers, the negative real numbers and the 0 element.

**Definition 9.16.** The set of positive real numbers noted by  $\mathbb{R}^+$  and negative real numbers noted by  $\mathbb{R}^-$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{R}^+ &= \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 \in \alpha\} \subseteq \mathbb{R} \\ \mathbb{R}^- &= \{\alpha \mid -\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+\} \subseteq \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

Further we define the set  $\mathbb{R}_0^+$  of non negative numbers and  $\mathbb{R}_0^-$  of non positive numbers by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{R}_0^+ &= \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\} \\ \mathbb{R}_0^- &= \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\} \end{aligned}$$

The following theorem shows that  $\mathbb{R}_0^+ \neq \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $\mathbb{R}_0^- \neq \mathbb{R}^-$

**Theorem 9.17.**  $\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$  where  $\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^- = \emptyset$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \{0\} = \emptyset$  and  $\mathbb{R}^- \cap \{0\} = \emptyset$

**Note 9.18.** Be carefull here, 0 can mean either  $0 \in \mathbb{Z}$  or  $0 \in \mathbb{R}$  in which case  $0 = \alpha_0$

**Proof.** As  $\{0\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^+ \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^- \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$\mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\} \subseteq \mathbb{R} \quad (9.13)$$

If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  then we have either:

$0 \in \alpha$ . then  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$  so that  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$

$0 \notin \alpha$ . then we have either:

**min  $(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$  does not exist.** As  $0 \notin \alpha$  we have  $-0 = 0 \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  and 'if  $\min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$  exist  $-0 \neq \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$ ' is true so that  $0 \in -\alpha$ , hence  $-\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$  proving that  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \subseteq \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$ .

**min  $(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$  exist.** Then by [theorem: 9.4]  $\alpha = \alpha_m$  where  $m = \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$

$0 = m$ . Then  $\alpha = \alpha_0 = 0$  so that  $\alpha \in \{0\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$ .

$0 < m$ . Then  $0 \in \alpha_m = \alpha$  so that  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \subseteq \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$ .

$m < 0$ . Then  $0 \notin \alpha_m = \alpha$  so that  $-0 = 0 \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  and as  $-0 = 0 \neq \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha)$  it follows that  $0 \in -\alpha$ , proving that  $-\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , hence  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \subseteq \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$

So in all cases we have  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$  proving  $\mathbb{R} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$  which combined with [eq: 9.13] proves

$$\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$$

Now as  $0 = \alpha_0 = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} | q < 0\}$  we have that  $0 \notin \alpha_0$  hence  $0 = \alpha_0 \notin \mathbb{R}^+$  proving that

$$\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \{0\} = \emptyset$$

Using [theorem: 9.11] it follows that  $-\alpha_0 = \alpha_{-0} = \alpha_0$  so that  $-0 = -\alpha_0 \notin \mathbb{R}^+$  hence  $0 \notin \mathbb{R}^-$  proving that

$$\mathbb{R}^- \cap \{0\} = \emptyset$$

Finally if  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^-$  then  $0 \in \alpha$  and  $0 \in -\alpha$ , as  $0 \in -\alpha$  then at least  $-0 \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  so that  $0 = -0 \notin \alpha$  contradicting  $0 \in \alpha$ . So we have

$$\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^- = \emptyset \quad \square$$

Defining multiplication in  $\mathbb{R}$  is difficult. we first define multiplication for  $\mathbb{R}^+$  and extend it later to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Definition 9.19.** Given  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we define  $A = \alpha \odot \beta$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \odot \beta &= \mathbb{Q}_0^- \cup \{s \cdot t | (s, t) \in \alpha \times \beta \wedge 0 < s \wedge 0 < t\} \\ &= \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r \leq 0\} \cup \{s \cdot t | (s, t) \in \alpha \times \beta \wedge 0 < s \wedge 0 < t\} \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 9.20.**  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have that  $\alpha \odot \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$

**Proof.** First we prove that  $\alpha \odot \beta$  is a Dedekind cut.

1. As  $0 \in \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r \leq 0\}$  it follows that

$$\alpha \odot \beta \neq \emptyset$$

2. As  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$  it follows that  $0 \in \alpha \wedge 0 \in \beta$  and as  $\alpha, \beta$  do not have a greatest element we have

$$\exists s_1 \in \alpha, \exists s_2 \in \beta \text{ such that } 0 < s_1 \wedge 0 < t_1 \quad (9.14)$$

As  $0 < 1$  we have by [theorem: 9.13] that

$$\exists s_2 \in \alpha, \exists t_2 \in \beta \text{ such that } s_2 + 1 \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \wedge t_2 + 1 \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \beta \quad (9.15)$$

Take now

$$s = \max(\{s_1, s_2\}) \text{ and } t = \max(\{t_1, t_2\}) \quad (9.16)$$

If  $s \notin \alpha$  then  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  so that by [definition: 9.1 (3)] and [eq: 9.14] we have  $s_1 < s$  and  $s_2 < s$  contradicting the fact that  $s \in \{s_1, s_2\}$ , so we must have that  $s \in \alpha$ . Likewise if  $t \notin \beta$  then  $t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \beta$  so that by [definition: 9.1 (3)] and [eq: 9.14] we have  $t_1 < t$  and  $t_2 < t$  contradicting the fact that  $t \in \{t_1, t_2\}$ , so we must have that  $t \in \beta$ . So we have

$$s \in \alpha \wedge t \in \beta \text{ and by [eqs: 9.14, 9.16] that } 0 < s \wedge 0 < t \quad (9.17)$$

If  $s + 1 \in \alpha$  then by [definition: 9.1 (3)] and [eq: 9.15] we have  $s + 1 < s_2 + 1 \Rightarrow s < s_2$  contradicting  $s = \max(s_1, s_2)$ . Likewise if  $t + 1 \in \beta$  then by [definition: 9.1 (3)] and [eq: 9.15] we have  $t + 1 < t_2 + 1 \Rightarrow t < t_2$  contradicting  $t = \max(t_1, t_2)$ . So we must have

$$s + 1 \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ and } t + 1 \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \beta \quad (9.18)$$

Assume now that  $s \cdot t + s + t + 1 \in \alpha \odot \beta$ . As  $0 < s \wedge 0 < t$  we have that  $0 < s \cdot t$  giving  $0 < s \cdot t + s + t + 1$  so that  $s \cdot t + s + t + 1 \notin \{q \in \mathbb{Q} | q \leq 0\}$  so we must have that

$$s \cdot t + s + t + 1 \in \{s \cdot t | (s, t) \in \alpha \times \beta \wedge 0 < s \wedge 0 < t\}$$

hence there exists  $s' \in \alpha$  and  $t' \in \beta$  with  $0 < s' \wedge 0 < t'$  such that  $s \cdot t + s + t + 1 = s' \cdot t'$ . Using [definition: 9.1 (3)] and [eq: 9.18] we have that  $s' < s + 1$  and  $t' < t + 1$  so  $s' \cdot t' < (s + 1) \cdot (t + 1)$  and  $t' \cdot (s + 1) < (t + 1) \cdot (s + 1)$ , hence  $s' \cdot t' < (s + 1) \cdot (t + 1) = s \cdot t + s + t + 1 = s' \cdot t'$  giving the contradiction  $s' \cdot t' < s' \cdot t'$ . Hence the assumption is false so that  $s \cdot t + s + t + 1 \notin \alpha \odot \beta$  proving that

$$\alpha \odot \beta \neq \mathbb{Q}$$

3. Let  $q \in \alpha \odot \beta$  and  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \odot \beta$  then for  $q$  we have either:

**$q \in \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r \leq 0\}$ .** Then  $q \leq 0$  further as  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \odot \beta$  we have that  $r \notin \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r \leq 0\}$  so that  $0 < r$  from which it follows that  $q < r$ .

**$q \notin \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r \leq 0\}$ .** Then  $q \in \{s \cdot t | (s, t) \in \alpha \times \beta \wedge 0 < s \wedge 0 < t\}$  so that

$$\exists s' \in \alpha, \exists t' \in \beta \text{ with } 0 < s' \wedge 0 < t' \text{ such that } q = s' \cdot t' \quad (9.19)$$

Assume now that  $r \leq q$ . As  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \odot \beta$  we have that  $r \neq q$  [as  $q \in \alpha \odot \beta$  and  $r \notin \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r \leq 0\}$  so that  $0 < r$ . Hence we have  $0 < r < q$  or multiplying by  $r^{-1}$  [which exists and  $0 < r^{-1}$  by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73] we have  $1 = r \cdot r^{-1} < q \cdot r^{-1}$  or if we define  $t = q \cdot r^{-1}$ , it follows that

$$1 < t \text{ and } t \cdot r = q \quad (9.20)$$

Using the above, we have by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73] that  $0 < t^{-1} < 1$  so that by multiplying by  $s'$  we have, as  $0 < s'$ , that

$$t^{-1} \cdot s' < s' \quad (9.21)$$

If now  $t^{-1} \cdot s' \notin \alpha$  then  $t^{-1} \cdot s' \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  which, as  $s' \in \alpha$ , means by [definition: 9.1 (3)] that  $s' < t^{-1} \cdot s'$  contradicting [eq: 9.21]. Hence we must have that

$$t^{-1} \cdot s' \in \alpha \quad (9.22)$$

As by [eq: 9.19]  $t' \in \beta$  we using the above that  $(t^{-1} \cdot s') \cdot t' \in \{s \cdot t | (s, t) \in \alpha \times \beta \wedge 0 < s \wedge 0 < t\}$  so that

$$(t^{-1} \cdot s') \cdot t' \in \alpha \odot \beta \quad (9.23)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 (t^{-1} \cdot s') \cdot t' &= t^{-1} \cdot (s' \cdot t') \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.19}]}{=} t^{-1} \cdot q \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.20}]}{=} t^{-1} \cdot (t \cdot r) \\
 &= r
 \end{aligned}$$

which combined with [eq: 9.22] proves that  $r \in \alpha \oplus \beta$  contradicting the fact  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \odot \beta$ , hence the assumption is wrong and we must have

$$q < r$$

4. Assume now that  $\alpha \odot \beta$  has a greatest element  $m$  then we have

$$m \in \alpha \odot \beta \text{ and } \forall r \in \alpha \odot \beta \text{ we have } r \leq m \quad (9.24)$$

As  $m \in \alpha \odot \beta$  we have the following cases to consider:

**$m \in \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r \leq 0\}$ .** Then  $m \leq 0$ . As  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have that  $0 \in \alpha$  and  $0 \in \beta$  which, as  $\alpha, \beta$  have no greatest element, that there exists  $s \in \alpha$  and  $t \in \beta$  such that  $0 < s$  and  $0 < t$ , hence  $s \cdot t \in \{s \cdot t | (s, t) \in \alpha \times \beta \wedge 0 < s \wedge 0 < t\}$  proving that

$$s \cdot t \in \alpha \odot \beta \text{ and thus } s \cdot t \leq m$$

As  $0 < s \wedge 0 < t$  we have that  $0 < s \cdot t$  so, as  $m \leq 0$ , we have  $m < s \cdot t$  contradicting the above.

**$m \notin \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r \leq 0\}$ .** Then  $0 < m$  and  $m \in \{s \cdot t | (s, t) \in \alpha \times \beta \wedge 0 < s \wedge 0 < t\}$  hence there exists  $s \in \alpha$  and  $t \in \beta$  with  $0 < s$  and  $0 < t$  such that

$$m = s \cdot t \quad (9.25)$$

As  $\alpha, \beta$  has no greatest element there exists  $s' \in \alpha$  and  $t' \in \beta$  such that  $0 < s < s'$  and  $0 < t < t'$ . As  $0 < s \wedge 0 < t$  we have  $s \cdot t < s' \cdot t$  and  $t \cdot s' < s' \cdot t'$  so that  $s \cdot t < s' \cdot t'$  or using [eq: 9.25]

$$m < s' \cdot t' \quad (9.26)$$

Further as  $s \cdot t \in \{s \cdot t | (s, t) \in \alpha \times \beta \wedge 0 < s \wedge 0 < t\}$  we have that  $s' \cdot t' \in \alpha \odot \beta$  so that by [eq: 9.24]  $s' \cdot t' \leq m$  contradicting [eq: 9.26].

As in all cases we have a contradiction the assumption must be wrong, so  $\alpha \odot \beta$  has no greatest element.

By (1),(2),(3) and (4) we have that  $\alpha \odot \beta$  is a Dedekind cut, hence

$$\alpha \odot \beta \in \mathbb{R}$$

Finally as  $0 \in \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r \leq 0\}$  we have  $0 \in \alpha \odot \beta$  proving that

$$\alpha \odot \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \quad \square$$

After we have defined multiplication in  $\mathbb{R}^+$  we want to specify the neutral element for  $\odot$

**Theorem 9.21.**  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have  $\alpha_1 \odot \alpha = \alpha$

**Proof.** Let  $x \in \alpha_1 \odot \alpha$  then we have either:

**$x \leq 0$ .** As  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have that  $0 \in \alpha$  and as  $x \leq 0$  it follows from [theorem: 9.3] that  $x \in \alpha$ .

**$0 < x$ .** Then  $x \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  so there exists a  $s \in \alpha_1$  and a  $t \in \alpha$  with  $0 < s \wedge 0 < t$  such that  $x = s \cdot t$ . From  $s \in \alpha_1$  it follows that  $s < 1$  so, as  $0 < t$  we have that  $x = s \cdot t < t \Rightarrow x < t$ . As  $t \in \alpha$  it follows from [theorem: 9.3] that  $x \in \alpha$ .

As in all cases  $x \in \alpha$  it follows that

$$\alpha_1 \odot \alpha \subseteq \alpha \quad (9.27)$$

If  $x \in \alpha$  then we have either:

$x \leq 0$ . Then  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  so that  $x \in \alpha_1 \odot \alpha$

$0 < x$ . As  $\alpha$  has no greatest element [see definition: 9.1 (4)] there exist a  $t \in \alpha$  such that  $0 < x < t$ . Then as by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73]  $0 < t^{-1}$  we have that  $0 < x \cdot t^{-1} < t \cdot t^{-1} = 1$  so that  $x \cdot t^{-1} \in \alpha_1$ . Now  $0 < t$ ,  $0 < x \cdot t^{-1}$  so that  $x = (x \cdot t^{-1}) \cdot t \in \alpha_1 \odot \alpha$ . Hence  $\alpha \subseteq \alpha_1 \odot \alpha$  which combined with [eq: 9.27] results in

$$\alpha_1 \odot \alpha = \alpha \quad \square$$

**Theorem 9.22.**  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have  $\alpha \odot \beta = \beta \odot \alpha$

**Proof.** Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} q \in \alpha \odot \beta & \Leftrightarrow q \in \{r \in \mathbb{Q} | r \leq 0\} \cup \{s \cdot t | (s, t) \in \alpha \times \beta \wedge 0 < s \wedge 0 < t\} \\ & \Leftrightarrow q \leq 0 \vee \exists (s, t) \in \alpha \times \beta \text{ with } 0 < s \wedge 0 < t \text{ such that } q = s \cdot t \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.12}]}{\Leftrightarrow} q \leq 0 \vee \exists (s, t) \in \alpha \times \beta \text{ with } 0 < s \wedge 0 < t \text{ such that } q = t \cdot s \\ & \Leftrightarrow q \leq 0 \vee \exists (t, s) \in \beta \times \alpha \text{ with } 0 < t \wedge 0 < s \text{ such that } q = s \cdot t \\ & \Leftrightarrow q \in \beta \odot \alpha \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\alpha \odot \beta = \beta \odot \alpha \quad \square$$

**Theorem 9.23.** Let  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$  then we have that  $\alpha \odot (\beta \odot \gamma) = (\alpha \odot \beta) \odot \gamma$

**Proof.** Using the definition of  $\odot$  we have

$$\alpha \odot \beta = \mathbb{Q}_0^- \cup \{s \cdot t | (s, t) \in \alpha \times \beta \text{ with } 0 < s \wedge 0 < t\} \quad (9.28)$$

$$\beta \odot \gamma = \mathbb{Q}_0^- \cup \{s \cdot t | (s, t) \in \beta \times \gamma \text{ with } 0 < s \wedge 0 < t\} \quad (9.29)$$

$$\alpha \odot (\beta \odot \gamma) = \mathbb{Q}_0^- \cup \{s \cdot t | (s, t) \in \alpha \times (\beta \odot \gamma) \text{ with } 0 < s \wedge 0 < t\} \quad (9.30)$$

$$(\alpha \odot \beta) \odot \gamma = \mathbb{Q}_0^- \cup \{s \cdot t | (s, t) \in (\alpha \odot \beta) \times \gamma \text{ with } 0 < s \wedge 0 < t\} \quad (9.31)$$

Let  $x \in \alpha \odot (\beta \odot \gamma)$  then we have either

$x \leq 0$ . Then we have  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  proving by [eq: 9.31] that  $x \in (\alpha \odot \beta) \odot \gamma$

$0 < x$ . Then by [eq: 9.30] there exist a  $q \in \alpha$  and  $r \in \beta \odot \gamma$  with  $0 < q \wedge 0 < r$  such that

$$x = q \cdot r \quad (9.32)$$

As  $0 < r$  and  $r \in \beta \odot \gamma$  it follows from [eq: 9.29] that there exists a  $s \in \beta$  and  $t \in \gamma$  such that  $r = s \cdot t$  hence  $x = q \cdot r = q \cdot (s \cdot t) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 8.12}]}{=} (q \cdot s) \cdot t$  proving that

$$x = (q \cdot s) \cdot t \quad (9.33)$$

As  $q \in \alpha \wedge s \in \beta \wedge 0 < q \wedge 0 < s$  we have by [eq: 9.28] that  $q \cdot s \in \alpha \odot \beta$ . Further as  $0 < q \wedge 0 < s$  we have  $0 < q \cdot s$  which together with  $t \in \gamma \wedge 0 < t$  proves that  $(q \cdot s) \cdot t \in (\alpha \odot \beta) \odot \gamma$  or using [eq: 9.33] that

$$x \in (\alpha \odot \beta) \odot \gamma$$

So we have proved that

$$\alpha \odot (\beta \odot \gamma) \subseteq (\alpha \odot \beta) \odot \gamma \quad (9.34)$$

Let  $x \in (\alpha \odot \beta) \odot \gamma$  then we have either:

$x \leq 0$ . Then we have  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  proving by [eq: 9.31] that  $x \in \alpha \odot (\beta \odot \gamma)$ .

$0 < x$ . Then by [eq: 9.31] we have that there exists a  $q \in \alpha \odot \beta$  and a  $r \in \gamma$  with  $0 < q \wedge 0 < r$  such that

$$x = q \cdot r \quad (9.35)$$

As  $0 < q$  and  $q \in \alpha \odot \beta$  it follows from [eq: 9.28] that there exists a  $s \in \alpha$  and  $t \in \beta$  with  $0 < s \wedge 0 < t$  such that  $q = s \cdot t$ . Hence  $x = q \cdot r = (s \cdot t) \cdot r = s \cdot (t \cdot r)$  giving

$$x = s \cdot (t \cdot r) \quad (9.36)$$

As  $t \in \beta \wedge r \in \gamma \wedge 0 < \beta \wedge 0 < \gamma$  we have by [eq: 9.29] that  $t \cdot r \in \beta \odot \gamma$ . Further as  $0 < t \wedge 0 < r$  we have  $0 < t \cdot r$  which together with  $s \in \alpha \wedge 0 < s$  proves that  $s \cdot (t \cdot r) \in \alpha \odot (\beta \odot \gamma)$  or using [eq: 9.36] we have that

$$x \in \alpha \odot (\beta \odot \gamma)$$

So we have proved that  $(\alpha \odot \beta) \odot \gamma \subseteq \alpha \odot (\beta \odot \gamma)$  which combined with [eq: 9.34] gives

$$(\alpha \odot \beta) \odot \gamma = \alpha \odot (\beta \odot \gamma) \quad \square$$

**Theorem 9.24.**  $\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have that  $\alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma) = \alpha \odot \beta + \alpha \odot \gamma$

**Proof.** Let  $x \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$  then we have either:

$x \leq 0$ . Then  $0, x \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  so that  $x \in \alpha \odot \beta$  and  $0 \in \alpha \odot \gamma$  hence  $x = x + 0 \in \alpha \odot \beta + \alpha \odot \gamma$ .

$0 < x$ . Then  $x = s \cdot t$  where  $s \in \alpha \wedge 0 < s$  and  $t \in \beta + \gamma \wedge 0 < t$ . As  $t \in \beta + \gamma$  there exists  $u \in \beta$  and  $v \in \gamma$  such that  $t = u + v$ . Using [theorem: 8.12] we have that

$$x = s \cdot t = s \cdot (u + v) = s \cdot u + s \cdot v \quad (9.37)$$

We have now the following possibilities for  $u$  and  $v$ :

$u \leq 0 \wedge v \leq 0$ . Then  $t = u + v \leq 0$  giving the contradiction  $0 < t \leq 0$  so this case will not occur.

$u \leq 0 \wedge 0 < v$ . Then as  $0 < s$  we have  $s \cdot u \leq 0 \Rightarrow s \cdot u \in \mathbb{Q}_0^- \Rightarrow s \cdot u \in \alpha \odot \beta$ , further as  $0 < s \wedge 0 < v$  we have that  $s \cdot v \in \alpha \odot \gamma$ . Hence  $x \stackrel{[eq: 9.37]}{=} s \cdot u + s \cdot v \in \alpha \odot \beta + \alpha \odot \gamma$ .

$0 < u \wedge v \leq 0$ . Then as  $0 < s \wedge 0 < u$  we have that  $s \cdot u \in \alpha \odot \beta$ , further  $s \cdot v \leq 0 \Rightarrow s \cdot v \in \mathbb{Q}_0^- \Rightarrow s \cdot v \in \alpha \odot \gamma$ . Hence  $x \stackrel{[eq: 9.37]}{=} s \cdot u + s \cdot v \in \alpha \odot \beta + \alpha \odot \gamma$ .

$0 < u \wedge 0 < v$ . Then as  $0 < s \wedge 0 < u \wedge 0 < v$  we have that  $s \cdot u \in \alpha \odot \beta$  and  $s \cdot v \in \alpha \odot \gamma$ . Hence  $x \stackrel{[eq: 9.37]}{=} s \cdot u + s \cdot v \in \alpha \odot \beta + \alpha \odot \gamma$ .

So in all cases we have that  $x \in \alpha \odot \beta + \alpha \odot \gamma$  proving that

$$\alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma) \subseteq \alpha \odot \beta + \alpha \odot \gamma \quad (9.38)$$

For the opposite inclusion let  $x \in \alpha \odot \beta + \alpha \odot \gamma$ . Then

$$x = r + t \text{ where } r \in \alpha \odot \beta \text{ and } t \in \alpha \odot \gamma \quad (9.39)$$

We must now consider the following cases for  $x$ :

$x \leq 0$ . Then  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  so that  $x \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$

$0 < x$ . Then we have to look at the following sub cases:

$r \leq 0 \wedge t \leq 0$ . Then  $x \stackrel{[eq: 9.39]}{=} r + t \leq 0$  a contradicting  $0 < x$ , so this case does not occur.

$r \leq 0 \wedge 0 < t$ . Then as  $t \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^+$  there exists  $u \in \alpha$  and  $v \in \gamma$  with  $0 < u \wedge 0 < v$  such that  $t = u \cdot v = u \cdot (0 + v) \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$ . Since  $r \leq 0$  we have  $x \stackrel{[eq: 9.39]}{=} r + t \leq 0 + t = t$ , which, as  $t \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$ , proves by [theorem: 9.3] that

$$x \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$$



$0 < r \wedge t \leq 0$ . Then as  $r \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  there exists  $u \in \alpha$  and  $v \in \beta$  with  $0 < u \wedge 0 < \gamma$  such that  $r = u \cdot v = u \cdot (0 + v) \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$ . Since  $t \leq 0$  we have  $x \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.39}]}{=} r + t \leq r + 0 = r$ , which, as  $r \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$ , proves by [theorem: 9.3] that

$$x \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$$

$0 < r \wedge 0 < t$ . Then as  $r, t \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  there exists  $u, u' \in \alpha$ ,  $v \in \beta$  and  $v' \in \gamma$  such that

$$r = u \cdot v \wedge t = u' \cdot v' \wedge 0 < u \wedge 0 < v \wedge 0 < u' \wedge 0 < v' \quad (9.40)$$

For  $u, u'$  we must now examine the following possibilities:

$u = u'$ . Then

$$x \stackrel{[\text{eqs: 9.39, 9.40}]}{=} u \cdot v + u' \cdot v' = u \cdot v + u \cdot v = u \cdot (v + v') \quad (9.41)$$

so as  $0 < u \wedge 0 < v + v'$  we have that  $u \cdot (v + v') \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$  hence

$$x \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$$

$u < u'$ . Then as  $0 < u' \wedge 0 < v + v' \wedge u' \in \alpha \wedge v + v' \in \beta + \gamma$  we have

$$u' \cdot (v + v') \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$$

Further from  $u < u'$ ,  $0 < v$  we have that  $u \cdot v < u' \cdot v$ , hence

$$x \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.39, 9.40}]}{=} u \cdot v + u' \cdot v' < u' \cdot v + u' \cdot v' = u' \cdot (v + v') \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$$

which by [theorem: 9.3] proves that

$$x \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$$

$u' < u$ . Then as  $0 < u \wedge 0 < v + v' \wedge u \in \alpha \wedge v + v' \in \beta + \gamma$  we have

$$u \cdot (v + v') \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$$

Further from  $u' < u$ ,  $0 < v'$  it follows that  $u' \cdot v' < u \cdot v'$ , hence

$$x \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.39, 9.40}]}{=} u \cdot v + u' \cdot v' < u \cdot v + u \cdot v' = u \cdot (v + v') \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$$

which by [theorem: 9.3] proves that

$$x \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$$

So in all cases we have  $x \in \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$  proving that  $\alpha \odot \beta + \alpha \odot \gamma \subseteq \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma)$  which combined with [eq: 9.38] gives

$$\alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma) = \alpha \odot \beta + \alpha \odot \gamma \quad \square$$

**Theorem 9.25.** Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$  then  $\text{inv}(\alpha)$  defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{inv}(\alpha) &= \{r \in \mathbb{Q} \mid r \leq 0\} \cup \{s^{-1} \mid s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ with } 0 < s \text{ and } \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \vdash t < s\} \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.38}]}{=} \mathbb{Q}_0^- \cup \{s^{-1} \mid s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ with } 0 < s \text{ and } \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \vdash t < s\} \end{aligned}$$

is a Dedekind cut such that  $\text{inv}(\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^+$ .

**Proof.** We have

1. As  $0 \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  it follow that  $0 \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$  proving that

$$\text{inv}(\alpha) \neq \emptyset$$

2. As  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have  $0 \in \alpha$  and as  $\alpha$  has no greatest element there exist a  $s \in \alpha$  such that  $0 < s$ . Hence  $s^{-1}$  exist and by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73]  $0 < s^{-1}$  so that  $s^{-1} \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$ . Assume that  $s^{-1} \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$  then as  $s^{-1} \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  we must have that

$$s^{-1} \in \{s^{-1} \mid s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ with } 0 < s \text{ and } \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \vdash t < s\}$$

so that  $\exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  such that  $s^{-1} = t^{-1} \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 4.54}]} s = t$ . So  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  contradicting  $s \in \alpha$  hence  $s^{-1} \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$  proving that

$$\text{inv}(\alpha) \neq \mathbb{Q}$$

3. Let  $q \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$  and  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \text{inv}(\alpha)$ . For  $q$  we have the following possibilities:

**$q \leq 0$ .** Then as  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \text{inv}(\alpha)$  we have  $r \notin \text{inv}(\alpha)$  hence  $r \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  so that  $0 < r$  giving

$$q < r$$

**$0 < q$ .** Then  $q \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  hence, as  $q \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$ , we have:

$$q \in \{s^{-1} | s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ with } 0 < s \text{ and } \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \vdash t < s\}$$

so there exist a  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  with  $0 < s$  and  $\exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \vdash t < s$  such that  $q = s^{-1}$ , as  $q^{-1} = (s^{-1})^{-1} \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 4.53}]} s$  we have that

$$q^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha, 0 < q^{-1} \text{ and } \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \vdash t < q^{-1} \quad (9.42)$$

Further as  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \text{inv}(\alpha)$  we have that  $r \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  giving  $0 < r$  so that by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73]

$$0 < r \text{ and } 0 < r^{-1} \quad (9.43)$$

For  $r^{-1}$  we have the following possibilities:

**$r^{-1} \in \alpha$ .** Then as  $q^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  [see eq: 9.42] we have by [definition: 9.1 (3)] that  $r^{-1} < q^{-1}$ , so as  $0 < r^{-1}$  we have by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73] that

$$q < r$$

**$r^{-1} \notin \alpha$ .** Then  $r^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  and we have to look at the following possibilities

**$\forall t \in \mathbb{Q} \models r^{-1} \leq t$ .** Then as  $q^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  [see eq: 9.42] we have that  $r^{-1} \leq q^{-1}$ . If  $r^{-1} = q^{-1}$  we have by [eq: 9.42] a  $t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  such that  $t < r^{-1}$  contradicting  $\forall t \in \mathbb{Q} \models r^{-1} \leq t$ , hence  $r^{-1} \neq q^{-1}$ . So  $0 < r^{-1} < q^{-1}$  and by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73]

$$q < r$$

**$\exists t \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $t < r^{-1}$ .** Then as  $r^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  and  $0 < r^{-1}$  we have that  $r = (r^{-1})^{-1} \in \{s^{-1} | s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ with } 0 < s \text{ and } \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \vdash t < s\}$  so that  $r \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$  contradicting  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \text{inv}(\alpha)$  so this case does not occur.

4. Assume that  $\text{inv}(\alpha)$  has a greatest element  $m$  then we have

$$m \in \text{inv}(\alpha) \text{ and } \forall s \in \text{inv}(\alpha) \text{ we have } s \leq m \quad (9.44)$$

For  $m$  we have to look at the following possibilities:

**$m \leq 0$ .** Using [definition: 9.1 (2)]  $\emptyset \neq \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  so there exist a  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ . As  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have that  $0 \in \alpha$  so that by [definition: 9.1 (3)] that

$$0 < r \xRightarrow{r < r+1} 0 < r+1 \text{ and by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73]} 0 < (r+1)^{-1} \quad (9.45)$$

If  $r+1 \in \alpha$  then as  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  we have by [definition: 9.1 (3)] that  $r+1 < r$  a contradiction, so we must have that  $r+1 \notin \alpha$  or  $r+1 \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ . As further  $r < r+1$  and  $0 < r+1$  it follows that  $(r+1)^{-1} \in \{s^{-1} | s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ with } 0 < s \text{ and } \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \vdash t < s\}$  so that  $(r+1)^{-1} \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$  hence by [eq: 9.44]  $(r+1)^{-1} \leq m \leq 0$  contradicting  $0 < (r+1)^{-1}$  [see eq: 9.45]. So we end in a contradiction.

**$0 < m$ .** Then  $m \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  so that, as  $m \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$ , we have  $m \in \{s^{-1} | s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ with } 0 < s \text{ and } \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \vdash t < s\}$  so there exist a  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  with  $0 < s$  and  $\exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \vdash t < s$  such that  $m = s^{-1}$ , hence  $m^{-1} = s$  so that:

$$m^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha, 0 < m^{-1} \text{ and } \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ such that } t < m^{-1} \quad (9.46)$$

As  $t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  we have that  $t \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  so that  $0 < t$ , further as  $t < m^{-1}$  we have by the density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  [see theorem: 8.38] that there exist a  $s \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $t < s < m^{-1}$ , hence

$$0 < t < s < m^{-1} \text{ which by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73] gives also } m < s^{-1} \quad (9.47)$$

If  $s \in \alpha$  then as  $t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  [see eq: 9.46] we have by [definition: 9.1 (3)] that  $s < t$  contradicting  $t < s < m^{-1}$ , so we must have  $s \notin \alpha$ , hence  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ , so as  $s \notin \alpha$  we have  $s \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$ , so that  $0 < s$ , which together with  $t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  and  $t < s$  proves that  $s^{-1} \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$ . Using [eq: 9.44] it follows that  $s^{-1} \leq m$  which contradicts [eq: 9.47]. So this case ends also in a contradiction.

As all possible cases ends in a contradiction the assumption must be false resulting in

$\text{inv}(\alpha)$  has no greatest element

(1),(2),(3),(4) proves that

$\text{inv}(\alpha)$  is a Dedekind cut

Further as  $0 \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  we have that  $0 \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$  hence

$$\text{inv}(\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \quad \square$$

We prove now that  $\text{inv}(\alpha)$  is the multiplicative inverse for  $\mathbb{R}^+$ .

**Theorem 9.26.** *If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$  then  $\alpha \odot \text{inv}(\alpha) = \alpha_1$*

**Proof.** If  $x \in \alpha \odot \text{inv}(\alpha)$  then we have for  $x$  either:

$x \leq 0$ . Then as  $0 < 1$  we have  $x < 1$  hence  $x \in \alpha_1$

$0 < x$ . Then  $x \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  we have as  $x \in \alpha \odot \text{inv}(\alpha)$  that  $\exists s \in \alpha \wedge \exists t \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$  with  $0 < s$  and  $0 < t$  such that  $x = s \cdot t$ . For  $t$  we have the following cases:

$t \leq 0$ . Then from  $0 < s$  we have that  $x = s \cdot t \leq 0 < 1$  hence  $x \in \alpha_1$ .

$0 < t$ . Then  $t \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  which as  $t \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$  means that there exist a  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  such that  $0 < s$  and  $\exists r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$   $r < s$  such that  $t = s^{-1}$ . As  $t^{-1} = (s^{-1})^{-1} = s$  we have that  $t^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ . Using [definition: 9.1 (3)] we have  $s < t^{-1}$  so that  $x = s \cdot t < 1$  proving that  $x \in \alpha_1$ .

As in all cases  $x \in \alpha_1$  we have that

$$\alpha \odot \text{inv}(\alpha) \subseteq \alpha_1 \quad (9.48)$$

Now for the opposite inclusion, let  $x \in \alpha_1$  then  $x < 1$  and we have either:

$x \leq 0$ . Then  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  so that  $x \in \alpha \odot \text{inv}(\alpha)$ .

$0 < x$ . As  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have that  $0 \in \alpha$ , further as  $\alpha$  is a Dedekind cut,  $\alpha$  has no greatest element [see definition: 9.1 (4)] so

$$\exists s_1 \in \alpha \text{ such that } 0 < s_1 \quad (9.49)$$

As  $0 < x < 1$  we have  $0 < 1 - x$ , and by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73]  $0 < x^{-1}$  so that for

$$\varepsilon = s_1 \cdot (1 - x) \cdot x^{-1} \quad (9.50)$$

we have  $0 < \varepsilon$  we have by [theorem: 9.13] that there exist a  $s_2 \in \alpha$  such that  $s_2 + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ . As  $\alpha$  has no maximal element and  $s_2 \in \alpha$  there exist a  $s_3 \in \alpha$  such that  $s_2 < s_3$  then  $s_2 + \varepsilon < s_3 + \varepsilon$ . If  $s_3 + \varepsilon \in \alpha$  then by [definition: 9.1 (3)] we have as  $s_2 + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  that  $s_3 + \varepsilon < s_2 + s_3$  contradicting  $s_2 + \varepsilon < s_3 + \varepsilon$  hence we must have that

$$s_3 + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \text{ and } s_2 + \varepsilon < s_3 + \varepsilon \wedge s_2 + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \quad (9.51)$$

For  $s_1, s_2$  we have either:

$s_3 < s_1$ . Then  $s_3 + \varepsilon < s_1 + \varepsilon$ . If  $s_1 + \varepsilon \in \alpha$  then as  $s_3 + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  we have by [definition: 9.1 (3)] that  $s_1 + \varepsilon < s_3 + \varepsilon$  contradicting  $s_3 + \varepsilon < s_1 + \varepsilon$  so we must have that

$$s_1 + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \quad (9.52)$$

As  $0 \in \alpha$  and  $x_1 + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  we have by [definition: 9.1 (3)] that

$$0 < s_1 + \varepsilon \text{ and by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73]} 0 < (s_1 + \varepsilon)^{-1} \quad (9.53)$$

By [eq: 9.52], [eq: 9.53] and the fact that  $s_3 + \varepsilon < s_1 + \varepsilon$ ,  $s_3 + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  we have by the definition of  $\text{inv}(\alpha)$  we have that

$$(s_1 + \varepsilon)^{-1} \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$$

As  $0 < s_1 \in \alpha$ ,  $0 < (s_1 + \varepsilon)^{-1} \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$  [see eqs: 9.49, 9.52, 9.53] it follows from the definition of  $\odot$  that

$$s_1 \cdot (s_1 + \varepsilon)^{-1} \in \alpha \odot \text{inv}(\alpha) \quad (9.54)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} s_1 \cdot (s_1 + \varepsilon)^{-1} & \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.50}]}{=} s_1 \cdot (s_1 + s_1 \cdot (1 - x) \cdot x^{-1})^{-1} \\ & = s_1 \cdot (s_1 + s_1 \cdot x^{-1} - s_1 \cdot x^{-1} \cdot x)^{-1} \\ & = s_1 \cdot (s_1 + s_1 \cdot x^{-1} - s_1)^{-1} \\ & = s_1 \cdot (s_1 \cdot x^{-1})^{-1} \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.55}]}{=} s_1 \cdot (s_1^{-1} \cdot (x^{-1})^{-1}) \\ & = (x^{-1})^{-1} \\ & = x \end{aligned}$$

proving using [eq: 9.54] that

$$x \in \alpha \odot \text{inv}(\alpha)$$

$s_1 \leq s_3$ . Then as  $0 \in \alpha$  and  $s_3 + \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  [see eq: 9.51] it follows from [definition: 9.1] that

$$0 < s_3 + \varepsilon \text{ and by [theorems: 8.30, 4.73]} 0 < (s_3 + \varepsilon)^{-1} \quad (9.55)$$

So using the definition if  $\text{inv}(\alpha)$  together with [eqs: 9.51, 9.55] that

$$(s_3 + \varepsilon)^{-1} \in \text{inv}(\alpha) \quad (9.56)$$

Now by [eq: 9.49]  $0 < s_1 \leq s_3 \in \alpha$  and  $0 < (s_3 + \varepsilon)^{-1} \in \text{inv}(\alpha)$  [see eq: 9.55, 9.51] so that

$$s_3 \cdot (s_3 + \varepsilon)^{-1} \in \alpha \odot \text{inv}(\alpha) \quad (9.57)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} s_1 \leq s_3 & \stackrel{0 < 1-x}{\Rightarrow} s_1 \cdot (1-x) \leq s_3 \cdot (1-x) \\ & \stackrel{0 < x^{-1}}{\Rightarrow} s_1 \cdot (1-x) \cdot x^{-1} \leq s_3 \cdot (1-x) \cdot x^{-1} \\ & \Rightarrow s_3 + s_1 \cdot (1-x) \cdot x^{-1} \leq s_3 + s_3 \cdot (1-x) \cdot x^{-1} \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorems: 8.30, 4.73}]}{\Rightarrow} (s_3 + s_1 \cdot (1-x) \cdot x^{-1})^{-1} \geq (s_3 + s_3 \cdot (1-x) \cdot x^{-1})^{-1} \\ & \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.50}]}{\Rightarrow} (s_3 + \varepsilon)^{-1} \geq (s_3 + s_3 \cdot (1-x) \cdot x^{-1})^{-1} \\ & \stackrel{0 < s_1 \leq s_3}{\Rightarrow} s_3 \cdot (s_3 + \varepsilon)^{-1} \geq s_3 \cdot (s_3 + s_3 \cdot (1-x) \cdot x^{-1})^{-1} \end{aligned} \quad (9.58)$$

Further

$$\begin{aligned} s_3 \cdot (s_3 + \varepsilon)^{-1} & = s_3 \cdot (s_3 + \varepsilon)^{-1} \\ & \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.58}]}{\geq} s_3 \cdot (s_3 + s_3 \cdot (1-x) \cdot x^{-1})^{-1} \\ & = s_3 \cdot (s_3 + s_3 \cdot x^{-1} - s_3 \cdot x \cdot x^{-1})^{-1} \\ & = s_3 \cdot (s_3 + s_3 \cdot x^{-1} - s_3)^{-1} \\ & = s_3 \cdot (s_3 \cdot x)^{-1} \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.55}]}{=} s_3 \cdot s_3^{-1} \cdot (x^{-1})^{-1} \\ & = x \end{aligned}$$

which by [theorem: 9.3] proves that

$$x \in \alpha \odot \text{inv}(\alpha)$$

As in all cases  $x \in \alpha \odot \text{in}(\alpha)$  it follows that  $\alpha_1 \subseteq \alpha \odot \text{inv}(\alpha)$  which combined with [eq: 9.48] proves finally that

$$\alpha_1 = \alpha \odot \text{inv}(\alpha) \quad \square$$

We prove now that  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  is the disjoint union of sets of the form  $A \times B$  where  $A, B \in \{\mathbb{R}^+, \mathbb{R}^-, \{0\}\}$

**Theorem 9.27.**  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  can be expressed as follows

$$\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} = (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}))$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) &= \emptyset \\ (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) &= \emptyset \\ (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) &= \emptyset \\ (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) &= \emptyset \\ (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cap (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) &= \emptyset \\ (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cap (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) &= \emptyset \\ (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cap ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) &= \emptyset \\ (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) &= \emptyset \\ (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) &= \emptyset \\ (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cap ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) &= \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

**Proof.** First note that by [theorem: 9.17]

$$\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\} = \bigcup_{A \in \{\mathbb{R}^+, \mathbb{R}^-, \{0\}\}} A \quad (9.59)$$

and

$$\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^- = \emptyset \text{ and } \mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^+ \cap \{0\} = \emptyset \text{ and } \mathbb{R}^- \cap \{0\} = \emptyset \quad (9.60)$$

First as  $\mathbb{R}^+ \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^-$ ,  $\{0\} \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{R} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  we have by [theorem: 1.48] that  $\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+ \subseteq \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^- \subseteq \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+ \subseteq \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^- \subseteq \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ ,  $((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) \subseteq \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  so that

$$(\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) \subseteq \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \quad (9.61)$$

Let  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  then  $x \in \mathbb{R} \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.59}]}{=} \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$  and  $y \in \mathbb{R} \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.59}]}{=} \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$  so that for  $x$  we have either:

$x \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then for  $y$  we have either:

$y \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+$  so that

$$(x, y) \in (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}))$$

$y \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-$  so that

$$(x, y) \in (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}))$$

$y \in \{0\}$ . Then  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \{0\}$  so that

$$(x, y) \in (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}))$$

$x \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then for  $y$  we have either:

$y \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+$  so that

$$(x, y) \in (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}))$$

$y \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-$  so that

$$(x, y) \in (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}))$$

$y \in \{0\}$ . Then  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \{0\}$  so that

$$(x, y) \in (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}))$$

$x \in \{0\}$ . Then  $(x, y) \in \{0\} \times \mathbb{R}$  so that

$$(x, y) \in (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}))$$

So  $(x, y) \in (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}))$  proving that  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \subseteq (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}))$  which combined with [eq: 9.61] we have

$$\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} = (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cup (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cup ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) \quad (9.62)$$

Next we have by [theorem: 1.49] and [theorem: 1.47] that

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) &= (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^+) \times (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^-) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.60}]}{=} (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^+) \times \emptyset \\ &= \emptyset \\ (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) &= (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^-) \times (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^+) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.60}]}{=} \emptyset \times (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^+) \\ &= \emptyset \\ (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) &= (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^-) \times (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^-) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.60}]}{=} \emptyset \times \emptyset \\ &= \emptyset \\ (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) &= ((\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cap (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\})) \cup ((\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) \\ &= ((\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}) \times (\mathbb{R}^- \cap \{0\})) \cup ((\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \{0\}) \times (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R})) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.60}]}{=} ((\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}) \times \emptyset) \cup (\emptyset \times (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R})) \\ &= \emptyset \cup \emptyset \\ &= \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cap (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) &= (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^-) \times (\mathbb{R}^- \cap \mathbb{R}^+) \\
&\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.60}]}{=} \emptyset \times \emptyset \\
&= \emptyset \\
(\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cap (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) &= (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^-) \times (\mathbb{R}^- \cap \mathbb{R}^-) \\
&\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.60}]}{=} \emptyset \times (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^-) \\
&= \emptyset \\
(\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cap ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) &= ((\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cap (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\})) \cup ((\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cap (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) \\
&= ((\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}) \times (\mathbb{R}^- \cap \{0\})) \cup ((\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \{0\}) \times (\mathbb{R}^- \cap \mathbb{R})) \\
&\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.60}]}{=} ((\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}) \times \emptyset) \cup (\emptyset \times (\mathbb{R}^- \cap \mathbb{R})) \\
&= \emptyset \cup \emptyset \\
&= \emptyset \\
(\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap (\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) &= (\mathbb{R}^- \cap \mathbb{R}^-) \times (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^-) \\
&= (\mathbb{R}^- \cap \mathbb{R}^-) \times \emptyset \\
&= \emptyset \\
(\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) &= ((\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\})) \cup ((\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) \\
&= ((\mathbb{R}^- \cap \mathbb{R}) \times (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \{0\})) \cup ((\mathbb{R}^- \cap \{0\}) \times (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R})) \\
&\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.60}]}{=} ((\mathbb{R}^- \cap \mathbb{R}) \times \emptyset) \cup (\emptyset \times (\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R})) \\
&= \emptyset \cup \emptyset \\
&= \emptyset \\
(\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cap ((\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) &= ((\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cap (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\})) \cup ((\mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-) \cap (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R})) \\
&= ((\mathbb{R}^- \cap \mathbb{R}) \times (\mathbb{R}^- \cap \{0\})) \cup ((\mathbb{R}^- \cap \{0\}) \times (\mathbb{R}^- \cap \mathbb{R})) \\
&\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.60}]}{=} ((\mathbb{R}^- \cap \mathbb{R}) \times \emptyset) \cup (\emptyset \times (\mathbb{R}^- \cap \mathbb{R})) \\
&= \emptyset \cup \emptyset \\
&= \emptyset
\end{aligned}$$

□

The two previous theorems, [theorem: 9.20] and [theorem: 9.27] allow us to define the multiplication operator on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Definition 9.28.** *The multiplication operator  $\cdot : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined as*

$$\alpha \cdot \beta = \begin{cases} \alpha \odot \beta & \text{if } (\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+ \\ -((- \alpha) \odot \beta) & \text{if } (\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+ \\ -(\alpha \odot (- \beta)) & \text{if } (\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^- \\ (- \alpha) \odot (- \beta) & \text{if } (\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^- \\ 0 & \text{if } (\alpha, \beta) \in (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}) \end{cases}$$

If we want to prove something about multiplication then we have 5 cases to consider per use of the multiplication operator. The following lemma allows to reduce the amount work.

**Lemma 9.29.**  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  we have  $-(\alpha \cdot \beta) = (-\alpha) \cdot \beta = \alpha \cdot (-\beta)$

**Proof.** We have to consider the following 5 cases [see theorem: 9.27]:

$(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (-\alpha) \cdot \beta & \stackrel{-\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} -((-(-\alpha)) \odot \beta) \\
 & \stackrel{-(-\alpha) = \alpha}{=} -(\alpha \odot \beta) \\
 & \stackrel{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} -(\alpha \cdot \beta) \\
 \alpha \cdot (-\beta) & \stackrel{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge -\beta \in \mathbb{R}^-}{=} -(\alpha \odot (-(-\beta))) \\
 & \stackrel{=}{=} -(\alpha \odot \beta) \\
 & \stackrel{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} -(\alpha \cdot \beta)
 \end{aligned}$$

$(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 -(\alpha \cdot \beta) & \stackrel{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^-}{=} -(-(\alpha \odot (-\beta))) \\
 & \stackrel{=}{=} \alpha \odot (-\beta) \\
 & \stackrel{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge -\beta \in \mathbb{R}^-}{=} \alpha \cdot (-\beta) \\
 (-\alpha) \cdot \beta & \stackrel{-\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^-}{=} (-(-\alpha)) \odot (-\beta) \\
 & \stackrel{=}{=} \alpha \odot (-\beta) \\
 & \stackrel{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge -\beta \in \mathbb{R}^-}{=} \alpha \cdot (-\beta) \\
 & \stackrel{=}{=} -(\alpha \cdot \beta) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.63}]}{=} -(\alpha \cdot \beta)
 \end{aligned} \tag{9.63}$$

$(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 -(\alpha \cdot \beta) & \stackrel{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} -(-((- \alpha) \odot \beta)) \\
 & \stackrel{=}{=} (-\alpha) \odot \beta \\
 & \stackrel{-\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} (-\alpha) \cdot \beta \\
 \alpha \cdot (-\beta) & \stackrel{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge -\beta \in \mathbb{R}^-}{=} (-\alpha) \odot (-(-\beta)) \\
 & \stackrel{=}{=} (-\alpha) \odot \beta \\
 & \stackrel{-\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} (-\alpha) \cdot \beta \\
 & \stackrel{=}{=} -(\alpha \cdot \beta) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.64}]}{=} -(\alpha \cdot \beta)
 \end{aligned}$$

$(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 -(\alpha \cdot \beta) & \stackrel{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^-}{=} -((- \alpha) \odot (-\beta)) \\
 (-\alpha) \cdot \beta & \stackrel{-\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^-}{=} -((- \alpha) \odot (-\beta)) \\
 & \stackrel{=}{=} -(\alpha \cdot \beta) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.64}]}{=} -(\alpha \cdot \beta) \\
 \alpha \cdot (-\beta) & \stackrel{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge -\beta \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} -((- \alpha) \odot (-\beta)) \\
 & \stackrel{=}{=} -(\alpha \cdot \beta) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.64}]}{=} -(\alpha \cdot \beta)
 \end{aligned} \tag{9.64}$$



$(\alpha, \beta) \in (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}) \cup (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\})$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 -(\alpha \cdot \beta) & \underset{(\alpha, \beta) \in (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}) \cup (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\})}{=} 0 \\
 & \underset{(-\alpha, \beta) \in (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}) \cup (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\})}{=} (-\alpha) \cdot \beta \\
 -(\alpha \cdot \beta) & \underset{(\alpha, \beta) \in (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}) \cup (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\})}{=} 0 \\
 & \underset{(\alpha, -\beta) \in (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}) \cup (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\})}{=} \alpha \cdot (-\beta) \\
 & \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 9.30.** *If  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$  then  $\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) = \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma$ .*

**Proof.** First we proof that

$$\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^- \text{ such that } \beta + \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+ \text{ we have } \alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \quad (9.65)$$

**Proof.** As  $\beta, -\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have  $0 \in \beta \wedge 0 \in -\gamma$  so that  $0 = 0 + 0 \in \beta + (-\gamma)$  proving that

$$\beta + (-\gamma) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta + \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \beta & \underset{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} \alpha \odot \beta + \alpha \odot \beta \\
 & = \alpha \odot (\beta + \beta) \\
 & = \alpha \odot ((\beta + (-\gamma)) + (\beta + \gamma)) \\
 & \underset{[\text{eq: 9.65} + \text{theorem: 9.24}]}{=} (\alpha \odot (\beta + (-\gamma))) + \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma) \\
 & \underset{[\beta, -\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+ + \text{theorem: 9.24}]}{=} \alpha \odot \beta + \alpha \odot (-\gamma) + \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma) \\
 & \underset{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-, \alpha + \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} \alpha \cdot \beta + (-\alpha \cdot \gamma) + \alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma)
 \end{aligned}$$

so after adding  $-(\alpha \cdot \beta) + \alpha \cdot \gamma$  to both sides gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) & = \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \beta + (-\alpha \cdot \beta) + \alpha \cdot \gamma \\
 & = \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma \\
 & \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $\beta + \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  we have three cases to consider:

$\beta + \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then  $\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \underset{[\text{eq: 9.65}]}{=} \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma$

$\beta + \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then  $(-\beta) + (-\gamma) \underset{[\text{theorem: 4.8}]}{=} -(\beta + \gamma) \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . So if we take  $\gamma' = -\beta \in \mathbb{R}^-$  and  $\beta' = -\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have that  $\beta' + \gamma' = -(\beta + \gamma) \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , so we can apply [eq: 9.65] resulting in

$$\alpha \cdot (\beta' + \gamma') = \alpha \cdot \beta' + \alpha \cdot \gamma'$$

which after substituting the formulas for  $\beta', \gamma'$  gives

$$\alpha \cdot ((-\gamma) + (-\beta)) = \alpha \cdot (-\gamma) + \alpha \cdot (-\beta) \quad (9.66)$$

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) & = \alpha \cdot (-(-(\beta + \gamma))) \\
 & \underset{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(\alpha \cdot (-(\beta + \gamma))) \\
 & = -(\alpha \cdot ((-\gamma) + (-\beta))) \\
 & \underset{[\text{eq: 9.66}]}{=} -(\alpha \cdot (-\gamma) + \alpha \cdot (-\beta)) \\
 & = -(\alpha \cdot (-\beta) + \alpha \cdot (-\gamma)) \\
 & \underset{[\text{theorem: 4.8}]}{=} (-(\alpha \cdot (-\beta))) + (-(\alpha \cdot (-\gamma))) \\
 & \underset{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} \alpha \cdot (-(-\beta)) + \alpha \cdot (-(-\gamma)) \\
 & = \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\beta + \gamma = 0$ . The  $\gamma = -\beta$  and we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot 0 \\
 &= 0 \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \beta + (-\alpha \cdot \beta) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot (-\beta) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma \\
 &\quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

We are finally ready to prove that  $\langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a field

**Definition 9.31.** If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  then we define  $\alpha^{-1}$  by  $\alpha^{-1} = \begin{cases} \text{inv}(\alpha) & \text{if } \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \\ -\text{inv}(-\alpha) & \text{if } \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \end{cases}$

**Proof.** As by [theorem: 9.17]  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} = \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^-$  and  $\mathbb{R}^+ \cap \mathbb{R}^- = \emptyset$   $\alpha^{-1}$  is well defined.  $\square$

**Theorem 9.32.**  $\langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a field where

1.  $+: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined in [theorem: 9.15]
2.  $\cdot: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined in [definition: 9.28]
3.  $0 = \alpha_0$  is the additive inverse [see theorem: 9.15]
4.  $1 = \alpha_1$  is the multiplicative rational element.
5.  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  the additive inverse is the neagative cut of  $\alpha$  [see theorem: 9.15]
6.  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  we have the multiplicative inverse is defined by [definition: 9.31]

**Proof.**

1. Using [theorem: 9.15]  $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$  is a Abelian group with neutral element  $0 = \alpha_0$  and  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  the negative cut  $-\alpha$  as inverse.
2. For the multiplaction operator  $\cdot: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  we have:

**commutativity.** Let  $(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  then using [theorem: 9.27] we have to consider the following cases:

$(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot \beta &\stackrel{=}{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+} \alpha \odot \beta \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.22}]}{=} \beta \odot \alpha \\
 &= \beta \cdot \alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

$(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot \beta &\stackrel{=}{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^-} -(\alpha \odot (-\beta)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.22}]}{=} -((- \beta) \odot \alpha) \\
 &\stackrel{=}{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge -\beta \in \mathbb{R}^+} -((- \beta) \cdot \alpha) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(-(\beta \cdot \alpha)) \\
 &= \beta \cdot \alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

$(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot \beta & \stackrel{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} -((- \alpha) \odot \beta) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.22}]}{=} -(\beta \odot (- \alpha)) \\
 & \stackrel{-\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} -(\beta \cdot (- \alpha)) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(-(\beta \cdot \alpha)) \\
 & = \beta \cdot \alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

$(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^- \times \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot \beta & \stackrel{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^-}{=} (- \alpha) \odot (- \beta) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.22}]}{=} (- \beta) \odot (- \alpha) \\
 & = \beta \cdot \alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

$(\alpha, \beta) \in (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}) \cup (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\})$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot \beta & = 0 \\
 & = \beta \cdot \alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

**neutral element.** First note that as  $0 \in \alpha_1$  we have  $\alpha_1 \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.17}]}{=} \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$  then we have either:

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot \alpha_1 & \stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} \alpha_1 \cdot \alpha \\
 & \stackrel{\alpha_1, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} \alpha_1 \odot \alpha \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.21}]}{=} \alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot \alpha_1 & \stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} \alpha_1 \cdot \alpha \\
 & \stackrel{\alpha_1 \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^-}{=} -(\alpha_1 \odot (- \alpha)) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.21}]}{=} -(- \alpha) \\
 & = \alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot \alpha_1 & = \alpha_1 \cdot \alpha \\
 & = 0 \\
 & = \alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

**inverse element.** First  $\text{inv}(\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^+$  [see theorem: 9.25]. Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  then by [theorem: 9.17] we have to consider:

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha^{-1} \cdot \alpha & \stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} \alpha \cdot \alpha^{-1} \\
 & \stackrel{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} \alpha \cdot \text{inv}(\alpha) \\
 & \stackrel{\text{inv}(\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} \alpha \odot \text{inv}(\alpha) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.26}]}{=} \alpha_1
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha^{-1} \cdot \alpha & \stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} \alpha \cdot \alpha^{-1} \\
 & \stackrel{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} \alpha \cdot (-\text{inv}(-\alpha)) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(\alpha \cdot \text{inv}(-\alpha)) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} (-\alpha) \cdot \text{inv}(-\alpha) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.26}]}{=} \alpha_1
 \end{aligned}$$

**associativity.** As  $\mathbb{R} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.17}]}{=} \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$  we have for  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  the following 27 cases to consider:

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) & = \alpha \odot (\beta \odot \gamma) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.23}]}{=} (\alpha \odot \beta) \odot \gamma \\
 & = (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) & = \alpha \cdot (-(-(\beta \cdot \gamma))) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} \alpha \cdot (-(\beta \cdot (-\gamma))) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot (-\gamma))) \\
 & = -(\alpha \odot (\beta \odot (-\gamma))) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.23}]}{=} -((\alpha \odot \beta) \odot (-\gamma)) \\
 & = -((\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot (-\gamma)) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot (-(-\gamma)) \\
 & = (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma = 0$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) & = \alpha \cdot 0 \\
 & = 0 \\
 & = (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot 0 \\
 & = (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) & = \alpha \cdot ((-(-\beta)) \cdot \gamma) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} \alpha \cdot (-((- \beta) \cdot \gamma)) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(\alpha \cdot ((- \beta) \cdot \gamma)) \\
 & = -(\alpha \odot ((- \beta) \odot \gamma)) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.23}]}{=} -((\alpha \odot (-\beta)) \odot \gamma) \\
 & = -((\alpha \cdot (-\beta)) \cdot \gamma) \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(\alpha \cdot (-\beta)) \cdot \gamma \\
 & \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} (\alpha \cdot (-(-\beta))) \cdot \gamma \\
 & = (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot ((-(-\beta)) \cdot (-(-\gamma))) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} \alpha \cdot (-((- \beta) \cdot (-(-\gamma)))) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} \alpha \cdot (-(-((- \beta) \cdot (-\gamma)))) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot ((-\beta) \cdot (-\gamma)) \\
 &= \alpha \odot ((-\beta) \odot (-\gamma)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.23}]}{=} (\alpha \odot (-\beta)) \odot (-\gamma) \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot (-\beta)) \cdot (-\gamma) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -((\alpha \cdot (-\beta)) \cdot \gamma) \\
 &= -((- (\alpha \cdot \beta)) \cdot \gamma) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(-((\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma)) \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma = \mathbf{0}$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \mathbf{0}) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \mathbf{0} \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta = \mathbf{0} \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \mathbf{0}) \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta = \mathbf{0} \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \mathbf{0}) \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta = \mathbf{0} \wedge \gamma = \mathbf{0}$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \mathbf{0}) \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= (-(-\alpha)) \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -((- \alpha) \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma)) \\
 &= -((- \alpha) \odot (\beta \odot \gamma)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.23}]}{=} -((( - \alpha) \odot \beta) \odot \gamma) \\
 &= -((( - \alpha) \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -((- (\alpha \cdot \beta)) \cdot \gamma) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(-((\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma)) \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= (-(-\alpha)) \cdot (\beta \cdot (-(-\gamma))) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -((- \alpha) \cdot (\beta \cdot (-(-\gamma)))) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -((- \alpha) \cdot (-(\beta \cdot (-\gamma)))) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(-((- \alpha) \cdot (\beta \cdot (-\gamma)))) \\
 &= (-\alpha) \cdot (\beta \cdot (-\gamma)) \\
 &= (-\alpha) \odot (\beta \odot (-\gamma)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.23}]}{=} ((-\alpha) \odot \beta) \odot (-\gamma) \\
 &= ((-\alpha) \cdot \beta) \cdot (-\gamma) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -((( - \alpha) \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -((- (\alpha \cdot \beta)) \cdot \gamma) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(-((\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma)) \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma = \mathbf{0}$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \mathbf{0}) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \mathbf{0} \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= (-(-\alpha)) \cdot ((-(-\beta)) \cdot \gamma) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -((- \alpha) \cdot ((-(-\beta)) \cdot \gamma)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -((- \alpha) \cdot (-((- \beta) \cdot \gamma))) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(-((- \alpha) \cdot ((- \beta) \cdot \gamma))) \\
 &= (-\alpha) \cdot ((- \beta) \cdot \gamma) \\
 &= (-\alpha) \odot ((- \beta) \odot \gamma) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.23}]}{=} ((-\alpha) \odot (-\beta)) \odot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot ((-\beta) \odot (-\gamma)) \\
 &= -((- \alpha) \odot ((-\beta) \odot (-\gamma))) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.23}]}{=} -((( - \alpha) \odot (-\beta)) \odot (-\gamma)) \\
 &= -((\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot (-\gamma)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(-((\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma)) \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma = \mathbf{0}$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \mathbf{0}) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \mathbf{0} \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta = \mathbf{0} \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \mathbf{0}) \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta = \mathbf{0} \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \mathbf{0}) \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta = \mathbf{0} \wedge \gamma = \mathbf{0}$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \mathbf{0}) \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = \mathbf{0} \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= \mathbf{0} \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\mathbf{0} \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma \\
 &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= (0 \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma \\ &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma = 0$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= (0 \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma \\ &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= (0 \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma \\ &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= (0 \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma \\ &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma = 0$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= (0 \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma \\ &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta = 0 \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= (0 \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma \\ &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta = 0 \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= (0 \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma \\ &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$



$\alpha = \mathbf{0} \wedge \beta = \mathbf{0} \wedge \gamma = \mathbf{0}$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) &= \mathbf{0} \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) \\ &= \mathbf{0} \\ &= \mathbf{0} \cdot \gamma \\ &= (\mathbf{0} \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma \\ &= (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

**distributivity.** As  $\mathbb{R} \stackrel{=}{\underset{[\text{theorem: 9.17}]}{\mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}}}$  we have for  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  the following 27 cases to consider:

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \odot (\beta + \gamma) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.24}]}{=} \alpha \odot \beta + \alpha \odot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \stackrel{[\text{lemma: 9.30}]}{=} \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma = \mathbf{0}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\beta + \mathbf{0}) \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \mathbf{0} \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\gamma + \beta) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 9.30}]}{=} \alpha \cdot \gamma + \alpha \cdot \beta \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (-(-(\beta + \gamma))) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -(\alpha \cdot (-(\beta + \gamma))) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.8}]}{=} -(\alpha \cdot ((-\beta) + (-\gamma))) \\ &= -(\alpha \odot ((-\beta) + (-\gamma))) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.24}]}{=} -(\alpha \odot (-\beta) + \alpha \odot (-\gamma)) \\ &= -(\alpha \cdot (-\beta) + \alpha \cdot (-\gamma)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.8}]}{=} (-(\alpha \cdot (-\beta))) + (-(\alpha \cdot (-\gamma))) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} \alpha \cdot (-(-\beta)) + \alpha \cdot (-(-\gamma)) \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma = \mathbf{0}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\beta + \mathbf{0}) \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \mathbf{0} \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta = 0 \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (0 + \gamma) \\ &= \alpha \cdot \gamma \\ &= 0 + \alpha \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta = 0 \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (0 + \gamma) \\ &= \alpha \cdot \gamma \\ &= 0 + \alpha \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \beta = 0 \wedge \gamma = 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (0 + \gamma) \\ &= \alpha \cdot \gamma \\ &= 0 + \alpha \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= -((- \alpha) \odot (\beta + \gamma)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.24}]}{=} -((- \alpha) \odot \beta + (- \alpha) \odot \gamma) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.8}]}{=} (-((- \alpha) \odot \beta)) + (-((- \alpha) \odot \gamma)) \\ &= (-((- \alpha) \cdot \beta)) + (-((- \alpha) \cdot \gamma)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} (-(- \alpha)) \cdot \beta + (-(- \alpha)) \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= (-(- \alpha)) \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -((- \alpha) \cdot (\beta + \gamma)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 9.30}]}{=} -((- \alpha) \cdot \beta + (- \alpha) \cdot \gamma) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.8}]}{=} (-((- \alpha) \cdot \beta)) + (-((- \alpha) \cdot \gamma)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} (-(- \alpha)) \cdot \beta + (-(- \alpha)) \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma = 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\beta + 0) \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + 0 \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot 0 \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\gamma + \beta) \\
 &= (-(-\alpha)) \cdot (\gamma + \beta) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -((-\alpha) \cdot (\gamma + \beta)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 9.30}]}{=} -((-\alpha) \cdot \gamma + (-\alpha) \cdot \beta) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.8}]}{=} (-( (-\alpha) \cdot \gamma )) + (-( (-\alpha) \cdot \beta )) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} (-(-\alpha)) \cdot \gamma + (-(-\alpha)) \cdot \beta \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \gamma + \alpha \cdot \beta \\
 &= \alpha \cdot b + \alpha \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= (-(-\alpha)) \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} -((-\alpha) \cdot (\beta + \gamma)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} (-\alpha) \cdot (-(\beta + \gamma)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.8}]}{=} (-\alpha) \cdot ((-\beta) + (-\gamma)) \\
 &= (-\alpha) \odot ((-\beta) + (-\gamma)) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.24}]}{=} (-\alpha) \odot (-\beta) + (-\alpha) \odot (-\gamma) \\
 &= (-\alpha) \cdot (-\beta) + (-\alpha) \cdot (-\gamma) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} (-(\alpha \cdot (-\beta))) + (-(\alpha \cdot (-\gamma))) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} (-(-(\alpha \cdot \beta))) + (-(-(\alpha \cdot \gamma))) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma = \mathbf{0}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\beta + \mathbf{0}) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \beta \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta = \mathbf{0} \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\mathbf{0} + \gamma) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \gamma \\
 &= \mathbf{0} + \alpha \cdot \gamma \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} + \alpha \cdot \gamma \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta = \mathbf{0} \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (\mathbf{0} + \gamma) \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \gamma \\
 &= \mathbf{0} + \alpha \cdot \gamma \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \mathbf{0} + \alpha \cdot \gamma \\
 &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \beta = 0 \wedge \gamma = 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= \alpha \cdot (0 + \gamma) \\ &= \alpha \cdot \gamma \\ &= 0 + \alpha \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot 0 + \alpha \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 + 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \beta + 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 + 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \beta + 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \gamma = 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 + 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \beta + 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 + 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \beta + 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 + 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \beta + 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \gamma = 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 + 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \beta + 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta = 0 \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 + 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \beta + 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta = 0 \wedge \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 + 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \beta + 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha = 0 \wedge \beta = 0 \wedge \gamma = 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) &= 0 \cdot (\beta + \gamma) \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0 + 0 \\ &= 0 \cdot \beta + 0 \cdot \gamma \\ &= \alpha \cdot \beta + \alpha \cdot \gamma\end{aligned}$$

□

Remember that  $x + (-y)$  has a shorthand notation  $x - y$ , in the same way we have some shorthand notations for multiplication with a inverse element.

**Notation 9.33.** If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$   $x \neq 0$  then we use the following shorthand notation

1.  $x^{-1}$  is noted as  $1/x$
2.  $y \cdot x^{-1}$  is noted as  $y/x$

We show now how the rational numbers as a field can be embedded in the field of the real numbers. The primary candidate for this are the rational cuts, let's review some of the properties of the rational cuts. First we need two little lemmas.

**Lemma 9.34.** If  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $\alpha_r \in \mathbb{R}^+$  then  $\text{inv}(\alpha_r) = \alpha_{r^{-1}}$

**Proof.** As  $\alpha_r \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have  $0 \in \alpha_r$  hence  $0 < r \Rightarrow 0 < r^{-1}$ . Let  $x \in \text{inv}(\alpha_r)$  then we have for  $x$  to consider:

$x \leq 0$ . Then  $x \leq 0 < r^{-1}$  proving that  $x \in \alpha_{r^{-1}}$ .

$0 < x$ . Then  $x \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  so there exists a  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_r$  such that  $0 < s$  and  $\exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_r$  such that  $t < s$  such that  $x = s^{-1}$ . Hence  $s = x^{-1}$  and  $x^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_r$  and  $\exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_r$  such that  $t < x^{-1}$ . As  $\alpha_r$  is a rational cut we have by [theorem: 9.4] that  $r = \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_r)$  hence  $\forall t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_r$  we have  $r \leq t$ , from which we conclude that  $x^{-1} \neq r$ . As  $x^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_r \Rightarrow r \leq x^{-1}$  we conclude that  $0 < r < x^{-1}$  or using [theorems: 8.30, 4.73] that  $x < r^{-1}$ . Hence we have  $x \in \alpha_{r^{-1}}$

So we have that

$$\text{inv}(\alpha_r) \subseteq \alpha_{r^{-1}} \tag{9.67}$$

Let  $x \in \alpha_{r^{-1}}$ . For  $x$  we have either:

$x \leq 0$ . Then  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  so that  $x \in \text{inv}(\alpha_r)$ .

$0 < x$ . Then as  $x \in \alpha_{r^{-1}}$  we have that  $x < r^{-1}$  so that  $r < x^{-1}$ , hence  $x^{-1} \notin \alpha_r$  or  $x^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_r$ , as  $0 < r$  we have  $0 < x^{-1}$ , further  $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_r \ni \min(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_r) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.4}]}{=} r < x^{-1}$ . Summarized we have  $x^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_r \wedge 0 < x^{-1} \wedge \exists t \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha_r$  such that  $t < x^{-1}$  proving that  $x \in \text{inv}(\alpha_r)$ .

So we have proved that  $\alpha_{r^{-1}} \in \text{inv}(\alpha_r)$ , combining this with [eq: 9.67] gives

$$\text{inv}(\alpha_r) = \alpha_{r^{-1}} \quad \square$$

**Lemma 9.35.** *Let  $\alpha_r, \alpha_s \in \mathbb{R}^+$  then  $\alpha_r \odot \alpha_s = \alpha_{r \cdot s}$*

**Proof.** As  $\alpha_r, \alpha_s \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have  $0 \in \alpha_r \wedge 0 \in \alpha_s$  so that

$$0 < r \wedge 0 < s \quad (9.68)$$

Let  $x \in \alpha_r \odot \alpha_s$  then we have the following possibilities:

$x \leq 0$ . Then as  $0 < r \wedge 0 < s$  we have that  $0 < r \cdot s$  so that  $x < r \cdot s$  proving that  $x \in \alpha_{r \cdot s}$

$0 < x$ . Then we have  $x \notin \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  so there exists  $u \in \alpha_r$  and  $v \in \alpha_s$  so that  $x = u \cdot v$  with  $0 < u$  and  $0 < v$ . As  $u \in \alpha_r$  and  $v \in \alpha_s$  we have  $u < r$  and  $v < s$ . So  $u \cdot v < r \cdot v$  and  $r \cdot v < r \cdot s$  hence  $x = u \cdot v < r \cdot s$ .

So we conclude that

$$\alpha_r \odot \alpha_s \subseteq \alpha_{r \cdot s} \quad (9.69)$$

Let  $x \in \alpha_{r \cdot s}$  then  $x < r \cdot s$ . For  $x$  we have now the following cases to consider:

$x \leq 0$ . Then  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  so that  $x \in \alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s$

$0 < x$ . As  $0 < r$  we have by the density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  [see theorem: 8.38] the existence of  $\varepsilon_1 \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $0 < \varepsilon_1 < r$ . From  $x < r \cdot s$  it follows that  $0 < r \cdot s - x$  hence, as  $0 < s \Rightarrow 0 < s^{-1}$  we have that  $0 < (r \cdot s - x) \cdot s^{-1} = r - x \cdot s^{-1}$ . Using density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  again there exist a  $\varepsilon_2 \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $0 < \varepsilon_2 < (r \cdot s - x) \cdot s^{-1}$ . Take now  $\varepsilon = \min(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2)$  then we have

$$0 < \varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_1 < r \text{ and } 0 < \varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_2 < r - x \cdot s^{-1} \quad (9.70)$$

From the above we have  $x \cdot s^{-1} < r - \varepsilon$  or as  $0 < x \wedge 0 < s^{-1} \Rightarrow x \cdot s^{-1}$  that  $0 < x \cdot s^{-1} < r - \varepsilon$  allowing use to apply [theorems: 8.30, 4.73] giving

$$0 < (r - \varepsilon)^{-1} < (x \cdot s^{-1})^{-1} \underset{\text{[theorem: 4.55]}}{=} (s^{-1})^{-1} \cdot x^{-1} = s \cdot x^{-1}$$

multiplying by  $0 < x$  we get  $0 < x \cdot (r - \varepsilon)^{-1} < s$  so that

$$0 < x \cdot (r - \varepsilon)^{-1} \in \alpha_s \quad (9.71)$$

As  $0 < \varepsilon < r$  [see eq: 9.70] we have  $0 < r - \varepsilon < r$  so that

$$0 < r - \varepsilon \in \alpha_r \quad (9.72)$$

Now  $(x \cdot (r - \varepsilon)^{-1}) \cdot (r - \varepsilon) = x$  which combined with [eqs: 9.71, 9.72] proves that  $x \in \alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s$ .

So in all cases we have  $x \in \alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s$  hence it follows that  $\alpha_{r \cdot s} \subseteq \alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s$ . Combining this with [eq: 9.69] proves that

$$\alpha_{r \cdot s} = \alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s \quad \square$$

**Theorem 9.36.** *Let  $r, s \in \mathbb{Q}$  then we have*

1.  $\alpha_r + \alpha_s = \alpha_{r+s}$
2.  $-\alpha_r = \alpha_{-r}$
3.  $\alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s = \alpha_{r \cdot s}$
4. If  $\alpha_r \neq 0$  then  $1/\alpha_r \underset{\text{notation}}{=} (\alpha_r)^{-1} = \alpha_{r^{-1}}$

**Proof.**

1. Let  $x \in \alpha_r + \alpha_s$  then there exists  $u \in \alpha_r$  and  $v \in \alpha_s$  such that  $x = u + v$ . As  $u \in \alpha_r$  and  $v \in \alpha_s$  we have that  $u < r$  and  $v < s$  so that  $u + v < r + v$  and  $v + r < s + r$  giving  $x = u + v < r + s$  proving that  $x \in \alpha_{r+s}$ . Hence we have

$$\alpha_r + \alpha_s \subseteq \alpha_{r+s} \quad (9.73)$$

Let  $x \in \alpha_{r+s}$  then  $x < r + s$  hence  $x - r < s$ . Using the density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  [see theorem: 8.38] there exist a  $z \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $x - r < z < s$ . Then  $z \in \alpha_s$  and if we define  $\varepsilon = z - (x - r)$  we have  $0 < \varepsilon \Rightarrow -\varepsilon < 0$ . So  $r - \varepsilon = r + (-\varepsilon) < r$  proving that  $r - \varepsilon \in \alpha_r$ . Hence

$$(r - \varepsilon) + z \in \alpha_r + \alpha_s \quad (9.74)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} (r - \varepsilon) + z &= r - (z - (x - r)) + z \\ &= r - z + x - r + z \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

so that by [eq: 9.74]  $x \in \alpha_r + \alpha_s$ . Hence  $\alpha_{r+s} \subseteq \alpha_r + \alpha_s$  which together with [eq: 9.73] proves

$$\alpha_{r+s} = \alpha_r + \alpha_s$$

2. This is stated in [theorem: 9.11]

3. Using [theorem: 9.27] we have to look at the following five cases:

$\alpha_r \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \alpha_s \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s &= \alpha_r \odot \alpha_s \\ &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 9.35}]}{=} \alpha_{r \cdot s} \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha_r \in \mathbb{R}^+ \wedge \alpha_s \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s &= -(\alpha_r \odot (-\alpha_s)) \\ &\stackrel{(2)}{=} -(\alpha_r \odot \alpha_{-s}) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 9.35}]}{=} -\alpha_{r \cdot (-s)} \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} -\alpha_{-(r \cdot s)} \\ &\stackrel{(2)}{=} \alpha_{-(-(r \cdot s))} \\ &= \alpha_{r \cdot s} \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha_r \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \alpha_s \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s &= -((- \alpha_r) \odot \alpha_s) \\ &= -(\alpha_{-r} \odot \alpha_s) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 9.35}]}{=} -(\alpha_{(-r) \cdot s}) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} -(\alpha_{-(r \cdot s)}) \\ &\stackrel{(2)}{=} \alpha_{-(-(r \cdot s))} \\ &= \alpha_{r \cdot s} \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha_r \in \mathbb{R}^- \wedge \alpha_s \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s &= (-\alpha_r) \odot (-\alpha_s) \\ &\stackrel{(2)}{=} \alpha_{-r} \odot \alpha_{-s} \\ &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 9.35}]}{=} \alpha_{(-r) \cdot (-s)} \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} \alpha_{r \cdot s} \end{aligned}$$

$(\alpha_r, \alpha_s) \in (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}) \cup (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\})$ . Then we have two subcases:

$(\alpha_r, \alpha_s) \in \{0\} \times \mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s &= 0 \cdot \alpha_s \\ &= 0 \\ &= \alpha_0 \\ &= \alpha_{0 \cdot s} \\ &= \alpha_{r \cdot s} \end{aligned}$$

$(\alpha_r, \alpha_s) \in \mathbb{R} \times \{0\}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s &= \alpha_r \cdot 0 \\ &= 0 \\ &= \alpha_0 \\ &= \alpha_{r \cdot 0} \\ &= \alpha_{r \cdot s}\end{aligned}$$

4. Let  $\alpha_r \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  then we have the following possibilities:

$$\alpha_r \in \mathbb{R}^+. \text{ Then } (\alpha_r)^{-1} = \text{inv}(\alpha_r) \stackrel{[\text{lemma: 9.34}]}{=} \alpha_{r^{-1}}$$

$\alpha_r \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}(\alpha_r)^{-1} &= -\text{inv}(-\alpha_r) \\ &\stackrel{(2)}{=} -\text{inv}(\alpha_{-r}) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 9.34}]}{=} -\alpha_{(-r)^{-1}} \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorems: 8.30, 4.73}]}{=} -\alpha_{-(r^{-1})} \\ &\stackrel{(2)}{=} \alpha_{-(-(r^{-1}))} \\ &= \alpha_{r^{-1}}\end{aligned}$$

□

We show now that  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is a embedding of  $\mathbb{Q}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  that conserves the field structure.

**Theorem 9.37.** For  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} = \{\alpha_r | r \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  [definition: 9.6] we have:

1.  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is a subfield of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle$
2. The function  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle$  defined by  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(q) = \alpha_q$  is a field isomorphism

**Proof.**

1. Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  then we have that  $\exists r, s \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $x = \alpha_r$  and  $y = \alpha_s$ . Then we have:

- a.  $x + y = \alpha_r + \alpha_s \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.36}]}{=} \alpha_{r+s} \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$
- b.  $x \cdot y = \alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.36}]}{=} \alpha_{r \cdot s} \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$
- c. If  $x \neq 0$  then  $x^{-1} = (\alpha_r)^{-1} = \alpha_{r^{-1}} \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$
- d.  $0 = \alpha_0 \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$
- e.  $1 = \alpha_1 \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$

which proves that  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is a subfield of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle$ .

2. Using [theorem: 9.7] it follows that

$$i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is a bijection}$$

Next we have to prove the homeomorphism properties:

- a. If  $r, s \in \mathbb{Q}$  then  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(r + s) = \alpha_{r+s} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.36}]}{=} \alpha_r + \alpha_s = i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(r) + i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(s)$
- b. If  $r, s \in \mathbb{Q}$  then  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(r \cdot s) = \alpha_{r \cdot s} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.36}]}{=} \alpha_r \cdot \alpha_s = i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(r) \cdot i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(s)$
- c.  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(1) = \alpha_1 = 1$

□

## 9.2 Order relation on $\mathbb{R}$

**Theorem 9.38.** If  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$  then

1.  $\alpha + \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$



2.  $\alpha \cdot \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$
3.  $\alpha^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}^+$

**Proof.**

1. As  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have that  $0 \in \alpha$  and  $0 \in \beta$  then  $0 = 0 + 0 \in \alpha + \beta$  proving that

$$\alpha + \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

2. As  $0 \in \mathbb{Q}_0^-$  we have  $\alpha \odot \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$  so that

$$\alpha \cdot \beta \underset{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} \alpha \odot \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

3. We have  $\alpha^{-1} \underset{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+}{=} \text{inv}(\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^+$

□

We define now the relation on  $\mathbb{R}$  that later will be proved to be a order relation, this definition mirrors the definition of order in  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}$  and is the reason why we have defined  $\mathbb{R}^+$ . One problem is that  $0 \notin \mathbb{R}^+$ , so we have first to define  $<$  and base  $\leq$  on  $<$ .

**Definition 9.39.**  $< \subseteq \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  is defined by

$$< = \{(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid \beta + (-\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^+\}$$

or in other words for  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$\alpha < \beta \Leftrightarrow \beta - \alpha = \beta + (-\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

**Definition 9.40.**  $\leq \subseteq \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  is defined by

$$\leq = \{(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid \alpha = \beta \vee \beta + (-\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^+\} = \{(\alpha, \beta) \mid \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \vee \alpha < \beta\}$$

or in other words for  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$\alpha \leq \beta \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \beta \vee \alpha < \beta \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \beta \vee \beta - \alpha = \beta + (-\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

The following theorem shows a simpler way to decide if  $\alpha < \beta$  or  $\alpha \leq \beta$

**Theorem 9.41.**  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

1.  $\alpha < \beta \Leftrightarrow \alpha \subset \beta$  [strict inclusion]
2.  $\alpha \leq \beta \Leftrightarrow \alpha \subseteq \beta$

**Proof.**

- 1.

$\Rightarrow$ . As  $\alpha < \beta$  we have that  $\beta + (-\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^+$  so that

$$0 \in \beta + (-\alpha) \tag{9.75}$$

Let  $r \in \alpha$ . If  $-r \in -\alpha$  then by the definition of a negative cut [see definition: 9.10] we have  $\alpha = -(-\alpha) \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  contradicting  $r \in \alpha$ . Hence we must have that  $-r \notin -\alpha$  or

$$-r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus -\alpha \tag{9.76}$$

As  $0 \in \beta + (-\alpha)$  [see eq: 9.75] there exists  $s \in \beta$  and a  $t \in -\alpha$  such that  $0 = s + t$  or  $s = -t$ . As  $t \in -\alpha$  and  $-r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus -\alpha$  [see eq: 9.76] it follows from [definition: 9.1 (3)] that  $t < -r$  or  $r < -t = s \in \beta$ . So  $r < s \in \beta$  which by [theorem: 9.3] proves that  $r \in \beta$ . Hence we have

$$\alpha \subseteq \beta \tag{9.77}$$

If now  $\alpha = \beta$  then  $\beta + (-\alpha) = \beta + (-\beta) = 0 = a_0$  so as by [eq: 9.75]  $0 \in \beta + (-\alpha)$  we find that  $0 \in \alpha_0 = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} | q < 0\}$  a contradiction, so  $\alpha \neq \beta$ , which combined with [eq: 9.77] gives

$$\alpha \subset \beta$$

$\Leftarrow$ . As  $\alpha \subset \beta$  then there exist a  $r \in \beta$  such that  $r \notin \alpha$  or

$$r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha \quad (9.78)$$

As by [definiton: 9.1 (4)]  $\max(\beta)$  does not exist we have

$$\exists r' \in \beta \text{ such that } r < r'$$

If  $r' \in \alpha$  then as  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  we have by [definition: 9.1 (3)] that  $r' < r$  contradicting  $r < r'$ , hence  $r' \notin \alpha$  or

$$r' \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$$

So we have that  $-(-r') \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  and  $r < r' = -(-r')$  where  $r \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$  which by the definition of a negative cut [see definition: 9.10] proves that  $-r' \in -\alpha$ . As  $r' \in \beta$  we have that  $0 = r' + (-r') \in \beta + (-\alpha)$  proving that  $\beta + (-\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^+$  or that

$$\alpha < \beta$$

2.

$\Rightarrow$ . As  $\alpha \leq \beta$  we have by (1) that  $\alpha = \beta \vee \alpha \subset \beta$  so that  $\alpha \subseteq \beta$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $\alpha \subseteq \beta$  then  $\alpha = \beta \wedge \alpha \subset \beta$  so that by (1)  $\alpha = \beta \vee \alpha < \beta$  or  $\alpha \leq \beta$   $\square$

**Corollary 9.42.** For  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  we have that  $0 < 1$

**Proof.** Note that  $1 = \alpha_1 = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} | q < 1\}$  and  $1 = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} | q < 1\}$ . So if  $q \in \alpha_1$  we have in  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  that  $q < 0 < 1$  proving that  $q \in \alpha_1$ . Hence we have that

$$\alpha_0 \subseteq \alpha_1$$

Now using [see theorem: 8.38] there exist a  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $0 < q < 1$  hence  $q \in \alpha_1$  but  $q \notin \alpha_1$  proving that

$$\alpha_0 \subset \alpha_1$$

whcih by the previous theorem [theorem: 9.41] proves that

$$0 < 1 \quad \square$$

**Theorem 9.43.**  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is a totally ordered set

**Proof.**

**reflexivity.** If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $\alpha \subseteq \alpha$  so that by [theorem: 9.41]  $\alpha \leq \alpha$

**anti symmetry.** If  $\alpha \leq \beta$  and  $\beta \leq \alpha$  then by [theorem: 9.41] we have  $\alpha \subseteq \beta$  and  $\beta \subseteq \alpha$  hence  $\alpha = \beta$ .

**transitivity.** If  $\alpha \leq \beta$  and  $\beta \leq \gamma$  then by [theorem: 9.41] we have  $\alpha \subseteq \beta \wedge \beta \subseteq \gamma$  so that  $\alpha \subseteq \gamma$  whuch by [theorem: 9.41] proves that  $\alpha \leq \gamma$

**totally ordering.** Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  then for  $\alpha + (-\beta)$  we have, as  $\mathbb{R} \stackrel{=}{=}_{[\text{theorem: 9.17}]} \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \mathbb{R}^- \cup \{0\}$ , either:

$\alpha + (-\beta) \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then  $\alpha < \beta \Rightarrow \alpha \leq \beta$

$\alpha + (-\beta) \in \mathbb{R}^-$ . Then  $\beta + (-\alpha) = -(\alpha + (-\beta)) \in \mathbb{R}^+$  so that  $\beta < \alpha \Rightarrow \beta \leq \alpha$

$\alpha + (-\beta) = 0$ . Then  $\alpha = \beta$  hence  $\alpha \leq \beta$   $\square$

**Theorem 9.44.** We have the following for  $\mathbb{R}$

1.  $\mathbb{R}^+ = \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} | 0 < \alpha\}$

2.  $\mathbb{R}_0^+ = \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} | 0 \leq \alpha\}$
3.  $\mathbb{R}^- = \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} | \alpha < 0\}$
4.  $\mathbb{R}_0^- = \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} | \alpha \leq 0\}$

**Proof.**

1.  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \Leftrightarrow \alpha + (-0) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \Leftrightarrow 0 < \alpha \Leftrightarrow \alpha \in \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} | 0 < \alpha\}$
2.  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_0^+ \Leftrightarrow \alpha = 0 \vee \alpha + (-0) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \Leftrightarrow \alpha = 0 \vee 0 < \alpha \Leftrightarrow 0 \in \alpha \Leftrightarrow \alpha \in \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} | 0 \leq \alpha\}$ .
3.  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \Leftrightarrow -\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \Leftrightarrow 0 + (-\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \Leftrightarrow 0 < \alpha \Leftrightarrow \alpha \in \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} | \alpha < 0\}$
4.  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_0^- \Leftrightarrow \alpha = 0 \vee \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^- \Leftrightarrow \alpha = 0 \vee 0 + (-\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \Leftrightarrow \alpha = 0 \vee \alpha < 0 \Leftrightarrow \alpha \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow \alpha \in \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} | \alpha \leq 0\}$   $\square$

**Theorem 9.45.**  $\langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot, \leq \rangle$  is a ordered field

**Proof.** First using [theorem: 9.32] we have that  $\langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a field. Second we have

1. If  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $x < y$  then

$$y + (-x) \in \mathbb{R}^+, \quad (9.79)$$

further

$$\begin{aligned}
 (y + z) + (-(x + z)) &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.8}]}{=} (y + z) + ((-x) + (-z)) \\
 &= (y + z) + ((-z) + (-x)) \\
 &= y + (z + ((-z) + (-x))) \\
 &= y + ((z + (-z)) + (-x)) \\
 &= y + (0 + (-x)) \\
 &= y + (-x)
 \end{aligned}$$

which by [eq: 9.79] proves that  $(y + z) + (-(x + z)) \in \mathbb{R}^+$  or

$$x + z < y + z$$

2. If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $0 < x$  and  $0 < y$  then by [theorem: 9.44]  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . So by [theorem: 9.38] we have that  $x \cdot y \in \mathbb{R}^+$  which by [theorem: 9.44] proves that

$$0 < x \cdot y \quad \square$$

**Corollary 9.46.** Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

1.  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  we have  $\alpha < \alpha + 1$
2.  $\alpha - 1 < \alpha$

**Proof.**

1. As  $0 < 1$  [see corollary: 9.42] we have by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] that  $\alpha = 0 + \alpha < 1 + \alpha = \alpha + 1$
2. As  $0 < 1$  we have by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] that  $-1 < 0$  hence using [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] again we have  $\alpha - 1 = (-1) + \alpha < 0 + \alpha = \alpha$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 9.47.** If  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  [so that  $0 \leq \alpha \wedge 0 \leq \beta$ ] such that  $\alpha + \beta = 0$  then  $\alpha = 0 = \beta$

**Proof.** As  $0 \leq \alpha, 0 \leq \beta$  then we have either

$0 < \alpha$ . Then  $\beta = 0 + \beta < \alpha + \beta = 0$  hence  $\beta < 0$  contradicting  $0 \leq \beta$ , so this case does not occur.

$0 < \beta$ . Then  $\alpha = \alpha + 0 < \alpha + \beta = 0$  hence  $\alpha < 0$  contradicting  $0 \leq \alpha$ , so this case does not occur.

$\alpha = \beta = 0$ . This is the only resting case porving that  $\alpha = \beta = 0$   $\square$

**Lemma 9.48.** Let  $r, s \in \mathbb{Q}$  then we have

1.  $r < s \Leftrightarrow \alpha_r < \alpha_s$

$$2. \quad r \leq s \Leftrightarrow \alpha_r < \alpha_s$$

**Proof.**

1.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $x \in \alpha_r$  then  $x < r$  which as  $r < s$  proves that  $x < s$  hence  $x \in \alpha_s$ , so  $\alpha_r \subseteq \alpha_s$ . Further as  $r < s$  we have by the density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  [see theorem: 8.38] that there exists a  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $r < q < s$  hence  $q \in \alpha_s$  and  $q \notin \alpha_r$ , proving that  $\alpha_r \subset \alpha_s$ . By [theorem: 9.41] it follows then that

$$\alpha_r < \alpha_s$$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $\alpha_r < \alpha_s$  then we have by [theorem: 9.41] that  $\alpha_r \subset \alpha_s$ . Assume that  $s \leq r$  then  $\forall t \in \alpha_s$  we have  $t < s \leq r \Rightarrow t < r \Rightarrow t \in \alpha_r$  proving that  $\alpha_s \subseteq \alpha_r$  contradicting  $\alpha_r \subset \alpha_s$ . As the assumption  $s \leq r$  leads to a contradiction we must have that  $r < s$ .

2.

$$\begin{aligned} r \leq s &\Leftrightarrow r = s \vee r < s \\ &\Leftrightarrow \alpha_r = \alpha_s \vee r < s \\ &\stackrel{(1)}{\Leftrightarrow} \alpha_r = \alpha_s \vee \alpha_r < \alpha_s \\ &\Leftrightarrow \alpha_r \leq \alpha_s \end{aligned}$$

If  $r \leq s$  then we have either  $r = s$  giving  $\alpha_r = \alpha_s \Rightarrow \alpha_r \subseteq \alpha_s$  or  $r < s \stackrel{(1)}{\Rightarrow} \alpha_r < \alpha_s \Rightarrow \alpha_r \leq \alpha_s$

□

The above lemma allows us to show that the embedding of  $\mathbb{Q}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  by  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}$  is not only preserving the field structure but also the order.

**Theorem 9.49.** *The field isomorphism  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, +, \cdot \rangle$  defined by  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(r) = \alpha_r$  [see theorem: 9.37] is a order isomorphism between  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  and  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle$*

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 9.37] we have that  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is a bijection. Further for  $r, s \in \mathbb{Q}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} r \leq s &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.48}]}{\Leftrightarrow} \alpha_r \leq \alpha_s \\ &\Leftrightarrow i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(r) \leq i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(s) \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 9.50.**  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle$  is not conditional complete

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction. Assume that  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete. Using the previous theorem [theorem: 9.49] there exists a order isomorphism  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$ , by [theorem: 3.54]  $(i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}: \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  is a order isomorphism, hence using [theorem: 3.77] we have that  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete, contradiction the fact that by [theorem: 8.42]  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  is not conditional complete. So the assumption is wrong and  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle$  is not conditional complete. □

We have seen in [theorem: 8.42] that the rational numbers are not conditional complete [causing  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle$  to be not conditional complete], the prime reason that we construct the real numbers is that the real numbers are conditional complete.

**Theorem 9.51.**  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete [definition: 3.74] in other words

$\forall S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $S \neq \emptyset$  such that  $\exists v \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\forall \alpha \in S$  we have  $\alpha \leq v$  we have that  $\sup(S)$  exist

Using [theorem: 3.75] this is equivalent with

$\forall S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $S \neq \emptyset$  such that  $\exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\forall \alpha \in S$  we have  $\lambda \leq \alpha$  we have that  $\inf(S)$  exist

**Proof.** Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $S \neq \emptyset$  such that there exists a  $\mu \in S$  such that  $\forall \alpha \in S$  we have  $\alpha \leq \mu$ . Define  $\gamma$  by

$$\gamma = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} \mid \exists \alpha \in S \mid x \in \alpha\}$$

First we prove that  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  [or  $\gamma$  is a Dedekind cut]

1. As  $S \neq \emptyset$  there exist a  $\alpha \in S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . As  $\alpha$  is a Dedekind cut we have by [definition: 9.1 (1)] that  $\alpha \neq \emptyset$ . Hence  $\exists q \in \alpha \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $q \in \gamma$ , proving that

$$\gamma \neq \emptyset$$

2. As  $S \neq \emptyset$  there exist a  $\alpha \in S$ , hence as  $\mu$  is an upper bound of  $S$  we have  $\alpha \leq \mu \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 9.41}]} \alpha \subseteq \mu$ . As  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$  we have by [definition: 9.1 (2)] that  $\mu \neq \mathbb{Q}$  hence  $\exists q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $x \notin \mu \xRightarrow{\alpha \subseteq \mu} x \notin \alpha$  proving that

$$\gamma \neq \mathbb{Q}$$

3. Let  $r \in \gamma$  and  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \gamma$ . As  $r \in \gamma$  there exists a  $\alpha \in S$  such that  $r \in \alpha$  and as  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \gamma$  we have that  $\forall \zeta \in S$  we have  $s \notin \zeta$ , so in particular  $s \notin \alpha$  hence  $s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \alpha$ . Using [definition: 9.1 (3)] we have that  $r < s$ . So

$$\text{If } r \in \gamma \wedge s \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \gamma \text{ then } r < s$$

4. Assume that  $\gamma$  has a greatest element  $m$  then

$$m \in \gamma \text{ and } \forall r \in \gamma \text{ we have } r \leq m \quad (9.80)$$

Now as  $m \in \gamma$  there exist a  $\alpha \in S$  such that  $m \in \alpha$ . As by [definition: 9.1 (4)]  $\alpha$  has no greatest element there exist a  $s \in \alpha$  such that  $m < s$ . As  $s \in \alpha \in S$  it follows that  $s \in \gamma$  so by [eq: 9.80] we must have that  $s \leq m$  contradicting  $s < m$ . So the assumption is wrong and we have

$\gamma$  has no greatest element

From (1),(2),(3) and (4) we conclude that  $\gamma$  is a Dedekind cut, hence

$$\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$$

Next we proof that  $\gamma$  is an upper bound of  $S$ . So let  $\alpha \in S$  then if  $q \in \alpha$  we have by definition that  $q \in \gamma$  proving that  $\alpha \subseteq \gamma$  which by [theorem: 9.41] results in  $\alpha \leq \gamma$ . Hence

$\gamma$  is an upper bound of  $S$

Finally let  $\lambda \in v(S) = \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \mid \alpha \text{ is an upper bound of } S\}$ . If  $q \in \gamma$  there exist a  $\alpha \in S$  such that  $q \in \alpha$ , as  $\lambda$  is an upper bound of  $S$  we have  $\alpha \leq \lambda \xRightarrow{[\text{theorem: 9.41}]} \alpha \subseteq \lambda$ , so  $q \in \lambda$ , proving that  $\gamma \subseteq \lambda$  or by [theorem: 9.41] that  $\gamma \leq \lambda$ . Hence  $\gamma$  is the least element of  $v(S)$  which by definition proves that

$$\sup(S) \text{ exist} \quad \square$$

As we have show that  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle$  is not conditional complete and  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete we conclude that  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \neq \mathbb{R}$  so there exist real numbers different from embedded rational numbers. This is expressed in the following corollary.

**Corollary 9.52. (Irrational Numbers)**  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \subset \mathbb{R}$  so that  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \neq \emptyset$ . The set  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is called the set of *irrational numbers*.

**Proof.** By [theorem: 9.50]  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle$  is not conditional complete. Hence there exists a non empty  $S \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  with an upper bound such that  $\{u \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \mid u \text{ is an upper bound of } S\}$  has no least element. As  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete we have that  $s = \min(\{u \in \mathbb{R} \mid u \text{ is an upper bound of } S\})$  exist. Assume now that  $s \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  then if  $u \in \{u \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \mid u \text{ is an upper bound of } S\}$  we have, as  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  we have that  $u \in \{u \in \mathbb{R} \mid u \text{ is an upper bound of } S\}$  so that  $u \leq s$ . Hence  $s$  is a least element of  $\{u \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \mid u \text{ is an upper bound of } S\}$  contradicting the fact that  $\{u \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \mid u \text{ is an upper bound of } S\}$  has no least element. So  $s \notin \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  or  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \neq \emptyset$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 9.53.** Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $S \neq \emptyset$  then for  $-S = \{-s | s \in S\}$  we have:

1. If  $\sup(S)$  exist then  $\inf(-S)$  exist and  $\inf(-S) = -\sup(S)$
2. If  $\inf(S)$  exist then  $\sup(-S)$  exist and  $\sup(-S) = -\inf(S)$

**Proof.**

1. Let  $s \in -S$  then  $\exists t \in S$  such that  $s = -t \Rightarrow t = -s$  or  $-s \in S$ . As  $\sup(S)$  is a upper bound of  $S$  we have that  $-s \leq \sup(S) \xRightarrow{[\text{theorems: 9.45, 4.73}]} -\sup(S) \leq s$  so that

$$-\sup(S) \text{ is a lower bound of } -S \quad (9.81)$$

As  $S \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow -S \neq \emptyset$  and  $-S$  has a lower bound  $-\sup(S)$ , it follows from the conditonal completeness of  $\mathbb{R}$  [see theorem: 9.51] that

$$\inf(-S) \text{ exist and } -\sup(S) \leq \inf(-S) \quad (9.82)$$

Assume now that  $-\sup(S) < \inf(-S) \xRightarrow{[\text{theorems: 9.45, 4.73}]} -\inf(-S) < \sup(S)$ . then as  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered it follows from [theorem: 3.68] that there exist a  $\alpha \in S$  such that  $-\inf(-S) < \alpha \leq \sup(S)$ . Using [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] we have  $-\alpha < \inf(-S)$ , as  $\alpha \in S \Rightarrow -\alpha \in -S$  so that  $\inf(-S) \leq -\alpha$  contradicting  $-\alpha < \inf(-S)$ . So the assumption is wrong and we must have that  $\inf(-S) \leq -\sup(S)$  which combined with [eq: 9.82] proves that

$$\inf(-S) = -\sup(S)$$

2. Let  $s \in -S$  then  $\exists t \in S$  such that  $s = -t \Rightarrow t = -s$  or  $-s \in S$ . As  $\inf(S)$  is a lower bound of  $S$  we have that  $\inf(S) \leq -s \xRightarrow{[\text{theorems: 9.45, 4.73}]} s \leq -\inf(S)$  so that

$$-\inf(S) \text{ is a upper bound of } -S \quad (9.83)$$

As  $S \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow -S \neq \emptyset$  and  $-S$  has a upper bound  $-\inf(S)$ , it follows from the conditonal completeness of  $\mathbb{R}$  [see theorem: 9.51] that

$$\sup(-S) \text{ exist and } \sup(-S) \leq -\inf(S) \quad (9.84)$$

Assume now that  $\sup(-S) < -\inf(S) \xRightarrow{[\text{theorems: 9.45, 4.73}]} \inf(S) < -\sup(-S)$ . then as  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered it follows from [theorem: 3.68] that there exist a  $\alpha \in S$  such that  $\inf(S) \leq \alpha < -\sup(-S)$ . Using [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] we have  $\sup(-S) < -\alpha$ , as  $\alpha \in S \Rightarrow -\alpha \in -S$  so that  $-\alpha \leq \sup(-S)$  contradicting  $\sup(-S) < -\alpha$ . So the assumption is wrong and we must have that  $-\inf(S) \leq \sup(-S)$  which combined with [eq: 9.84] proves that

$$\sup(-S) = -\inf(S) \quad \square$$

**Theorem 9.54.** Let  $S, T \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $S \neq \emptyset \neq T$  then for

$$S + T = \{\alpha + \beta | \alpha \in S \wedge \beta \in T\}$$

1. If  $\sup(S), \sup(T)$  exists then  $\sup(S + T)$  exist and  $\sup(S + T) = \sup(S) + \sup(T)$
2. If  $\inf(S), \inf(T)$  exists then  $\inf(S + T)$  exist and  $\inf(S + T) = \inf(S) + \inf(T)$

**Proof.** First as  $S \neq \emptyset \neq T$  there exists  $s \in S$  and  $t \in T$  so that  $s + t \in S + T$  hence

$$S + T \neq \emptyset$$

1. Let  $q \in S + T$  then  $\exists s \in S$  and  $\exists t \in T$  such that  $q = s + t$ , as  $s \leq \sup(S)$  we have  $q = s + t \leq \sup(S) + t$ , further as  $t \leq \sup(T)$  it follows that  $\sup(S) + t \leq \sup(S) + \sup(T)$  giving  $q \leq \sup(S) + \sup(T)$ . So  $\sup(S) + \sup(T)$  is a upper bound of  $S + T$  which as  $S + T \neq \emptyset$  and  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete [see theorem: 9.51] proves thaat

$$\sup(S + T) \text{ exist and } \sup(S + T) \leq \sup(S) + \sup(T) \quad (9.85)$$

Assume now that  $\sup(S+T) < \sup(S) + \sup(T)$  then for  $\varepsilon = \sup(S) + \sup(T) - \sup(S+T)$  we have  $0 < \varepsilon$ . So  $-\varepsilon < 0$  and as  $0 < 2 \Rightarrow 0 < 2^{-1}$  we have that  $-(\varepsilon/2) < 0$ . So  $\sup(S) - \varepsilon/2 < \sup(S)$  and  $\sup(T) - \varepsilon/2 < \sup(T)$ . As  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered we have by [theorem: 3.68] that there exists  $s \in S$  and  $t \in T$  such that  $\sup(S) - \varepsilon/2 < s$  and  $\sup(T) - \varepsilon/2 < t$ . So

$$\begin{aligned}
 s+t &> \sup(S) - \varepsilon/2 + \sup(T) - \varepsilon/2 \\
 &= \sup(S) + \sup(T) - (\varepsilon + \varepsilon)/2 \\
 &= \sup(S) + \sup(T) - \varepsilon \\
 &= \sup(S) + \sup(T) - \sup(S) - \sup(T) + \sup(S+T) \\
 &= \sup(s+t)
 \end{aligned} \tag{9.86}$$

As  $s+t \in S+T$  we have that  $s+t \leq \sup(S+T)$  contradicting [eq: 9.86], so the assumption is wrong and we must have  $\sup(S) + \sup(T) \leq \sup(S+T)$  which combined with [eq: 9.85] proves that

$$\sup(S+T) = \sup(S) + \sup(T)$$

2. Let  $q \in S+T$  then  $\exists s \in S$  and  $\exists t \in T$  such that  $q = s+t$ , as  $\inf(S) \leq s$  we have  $\inf(S) + t \leq s+t = q$ , further as  $\inf(T) \leq t$  it follows that  $\inf(S) + \inf(T) \leq \inf(T) + t$  giving  $\sup(S) + \sup(T) \leq q$ . So  $\inf(S) + \inf(T)$  is a lower bound of  $S+T$  which as  $S+T \neq \emptyset$  and  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete [see theorem: 9.51] proves that

$$\inf(S+T) \text{ exist and } \inf(S) + \inf(T) \leq \inf(S+T) \tag{9.87}$$

Assume now that  $\inf(S) + \inf(T) < \inf(S+T)$  then for  $\varepsilon = \inf(S+T) - \inf(S) - \inf(T)$  we have  $0 < \varepsilon$ . As  $0 < 2 \Rightarrow 0 < 2^{-1}$  we have that  $0 < \varepsilon/2$ . So  $\inf(S) < \inf(S) + \varepsilon/2$  and  $\inf(T) < \inf(T) + \varepsilon/2$ . As  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered we have by [theorem: 3.68] that there exists  $s \in S$  and  $t \in T$  such that  $s < \inf(S) + \varepsilon/2$  and  $t < \inf(T) + \varepsilon/2$ . So

$$\begin{aligned}
 s+t &< \inf(S) + \varepsilon/2 + \inf(T) + \varepsilon/2 \\
 &= \inf(S) + \inf(T) + \varepsilon \\
 &= \inf(S) + \inf(T) + \inf(S+T) - \inf(S) - \inf(T) \\
 &= \inf(S+T)
 \end{aligned} \tag{9.88}$$

As  $s+t \in S+T$  we have that  $\inf(S+T) \leq s+t$  contradicting [eq: 9.88], so the assumption is wrong and we must have  $\inf(S+T) \leq \inf(S) + \inf(T)$  which combined with [eq: 9.87] proves that

$$\inf(S+T) = \inf(S) + \inf(T) \quad \square$$

**Corollary 9.55.** Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $S \neq \emptyset$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  then for  $S+\alpha = \{s+\alpha \mid s \in S\}$  we have that

1. If  $\sup(S)$  exists then  $\sup(S+\alpha)$  exists and  $\sup(S+\alpha) = \sup(S) + \alpha$
2. If  $\inf(S)$  exists then  $\inf(S+\alpha)$  exists and  $\inf(S+\alpha) = \inf(S) + \alpha$

**Proof.** First

$$\begin{aligned}
 x \in S+\alpha &\Leftrightarrow \exists s \in S \text{ such that } x = s+\alpha \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \exists s \in S \wedge \exists t \in \{\alpha\} \text{ such that } x = s+t \\
 &\Leftrightarrow x \in S+\{\alpha\}
 \end{aligned}$$

hence we have

$$S+\alpha = S+\{\alpha\}$$

Now we have

1. If  $\sup(S)$  exists then by [real 9.54] that  $\sup(S+\{a\})$  exist and  $\sup(S+\{\alpha\}) = \sup(S) + \sup(\{\alpha\})$  which as  $S+\{\alpha\} = S+\alpha$  and  $\sup(\{\alpha\}) = \alpha$  proves that

$$\sup(S+\alpha) \text{ exist and } \sup(S+\alpha) = \sup(S) + \alpha$$

2. If  $\inf$  exists then by [real 9.54] that  $\inf(S + \{a\})$  exist and  $\inf(S + \{\alpha\}) = \inf(S) + \inf(\{\alpha\})$  which as  $S + \{\alpha\} = S + \alpha$  and  $\inf(\{\alpha\}) = \alpha$  proves that

$$\inf(S + \alpha) \text{ exist and } \inf(S + \alpha) = \inf(S) + \alpha$$

□

### 9.3 Embeddings in $\mathbb{R}$

First remember that by [theorems: 9.37, 9.49] we have a embedding of  $\mathbb{Q}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  by the order and field isomorphism  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  defined by  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(r) = \alpha_r$ . We show now that there exist also embeddings of  $\mathbb{N}_0$  and  $\mathbb{Z}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Definition 9.56.**  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} = (i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}})(\mathbb{Z})$  where

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \subseteq \mathbb{Q} \text{ is defined by } i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(z) = \frac{z}{1} \text{ [theorem: 8.33]}$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \text{ is defined by } i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(r) = \alpha_r \text{ [theorem: 9.49]}$$

so that

$$\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$$

**Theorem 9.57.** For  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, +, \cdot \rangle$  and  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  defined by  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}$  then we have

1.  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is a subring of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle$  and  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a ring isomorphism.
2.  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is a subgroup of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$  and  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle$  is a group isomorphism.
3.  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot \rangle$  and  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, \cdot \rangle$  is a group isomorphism.
4.  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle$  is a order isomorphism
5.  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is denumerable

**Proof.** First note that by the definition of  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  we have that

$$\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(\mathbb{Z})) \tag{9.89}$$

Second we have

1. Using [theorems: 8.33, 9.49] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle \text{ and } i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle \text{ are ring isomorphisms}$$

So using [theorem: 4.48] and [theorem: 8.33] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(\mathbb{Z})) \text{ is a subring of } \langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, +, \cdot \rangle$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(\mathbb{Z})), +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a ring isomorphism}$$

Using [eq: 9.89] and [theorems: 4.38, 9.49] we have that

$$\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \text{ is a subring of } \langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a ring isomorphism}$$

2. This follows from (1) and [theorems: 4.47 and 4.36]
3. This follows from (1) and [theorems: 4.47 and 4.36]
4. Using [theorems: 8.33, 9.49] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}, \leq \rangle \text{ and } i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle \text{ are order isomorphisms}$$



So using [theorem: 3.51] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(\mathbb{Z})), \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

hence using [eq: 9.89] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

5. Using (4) we have that  $Z \approx Z_{\mathbb{R}}$  which as by [theorem: 7.53]  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{Z}$  proves that  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  proving that  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  is denumerable.  $\square$

We can use the same technique to embed the set of natural numbers in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Definition 9.58.**  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} = (i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})(\mathbb{N}_0)$  where

$i_{\mathbb{N}_0}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$  is defined by  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0}(z) = \sim[(z, 0)]$  [theorem: 7.17] and

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \text{ [theorem: 9.57]}$$

so that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$$

In many cases we want to exclude 0 from the embedded real numbers, hence the following definition.

**Definition 9.59.**  $\mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \setminus \{0\}$

**Theorem 9.60.** For  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, +, \cdot \rangle$  and  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  defined by  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}$  we have

1.  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  is a sub-semi-group of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$  and  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle$  is a group isomorphism.
2.  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  is a sub-semi-group of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot \rangle$  and  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, \cdot \rangle$  is a group isomorphism.
3.  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle$  is a order isomorphism
4.  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  is denumerable
5.  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered

**Proof.** First note that by the definition of  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  we have that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0}(\mathbb{N}_0)) \tag{9.90}$$

1. Using [theorems: 7.17 and 9.57] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, + \rangle \text{ and } i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle \text{ are a group isomorphisms}$$

So using [theorem: 4.25] and [theorem: 7.17] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{N}_0)) \text{ is a sub group of } \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{N}_0)), + \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

Using [eq: 9.90] and [theorems: 4.17, 9.57] it follows that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \text{ is a sub group of } \langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

2. Using [theorems: 7.17 and 9.57] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \cdot \rangle \text{ and } i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, \cdot \rangle \text{ are a group isomorphisms}$$

So using [theorem: 4.25] and [theorem: 7.17] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{N}_0)) \text{ is a sub semi-group of } \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{N}_0)), \cdot \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

Using [eq: 9.90] and [theorems: 4.17, 9.57] it follows that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \text{ is a sub semi-group of } \langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

3. Using [theorems: 7.29 and 9.57] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_0^+, \leq \rangle \text{ and } i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle$$

so using [theorem: 3.51]

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{N}_0)), \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

Using [eq: 9.90] it follows that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

4. Using (3) we have that  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  proving that  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  is denumerable.

5. By [theorem: 5.51]  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered, futher by (3)  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle$  is a order isomorphism, hence by [theorem: 3.79] it follows that

$$\langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is well ordered} \quad \square$$

For the relation between  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $\mathbb{R}$  we have

**Theorem 9.61.** *We have the following properties for  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $\mathbb{R}$*

1.  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$
2.  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} = \{z \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} | 0 \leq z\}$
3.  $-\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} = \{z \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} | z \leq 0\}$  where  $-\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} = \{-n | n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}\}$
4.  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \cup (-\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}})$  and  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \cap (-\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}) = \{0\}$

**Proof.**

1. Using [definition: 9.6] we have that  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , using [definition: 9.56] we have that  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and finally by [definition: 9.58] it follows that  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$
2. Using [theorem: 9.60 (3)] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism} \quad (9.91)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism} \quad (9.92)$$

If  $z \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  [see (1)] then by [eq: 9.91] there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $z = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n)$ . Now by [theorem: 5.46] we have that  $0 \leq n$  so that by [eq: 9.91] we have that

$$0 \stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.92}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(0) \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) = z$$

So we have that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \{z \in \mathbb{R} | 0 \leq z\} \quad (9.93)$$

For the opposite inclusion. Using [theorem: 9.57] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism} \quad (9.94)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism} \quad (9.95)$$

Hence if  $z \in \{z \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} | 0 \leq z\}$  then by [eq: 9.94] there exists a  $z' \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $z = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(z')$ . Assume that  $z' < 0$  then by [eqs: 9.94, 9.95] we have that  $z = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(z') < i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(0) = 0$  contradicting  $0 \leq z$ , so we must have that  $0 \leq z'$ , which by 7.22 proves that  $z' \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$ . Using [theorems: 7.17] we have that  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $z' = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n)$ . Hence

$$z = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}}(n)) = (i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}})(n) = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$$

proving that  $\{z \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} | 0 \leq z\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$ . Combining this with [eq: 9.93] proves that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} = \{z \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} | 0 \leq z\}$$

3. We have

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \{z \in \mathbb{Z} | z \leq 0\} & \Leftrightarrow x \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge x \leq 0 \\ & \stackrel{[\text{theorems: 9.45, 4.73}]}{\Leftrightarrow} x \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge 0 \leq -x \\ & \Leftrightarrow -(-x) \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge 0 \leq -x \\ & \Leftrightarrow -x \in \{z \in \mathbb{Z} | 0 \leq z\} \\ & \stackrel{(2)}{\Leftrightarrow} -x \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} \\ & \Leftrightarrow -\mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} \end{aligned}$$

4. As  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered [see theorem: 9.43] and  $0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  [as  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle$  is a sub group of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$ ] we have that

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} & \Leftrightarrow x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \wedge (0 \leq x \vee x \leq 0) \\ & \Leftrightarrow (x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \wedge 0 \leq x) \vee (x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \wedge x \leq 0) \\ & \stackrel{(2) \text{ and } \{3\}}{\Leftrightarrow} x \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}} \vee x \in (-\mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}) \\ & \Leftrightarrow x \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}} \bigcup (-\mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}) \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}} \bigcup (-\mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}})$$

If  $z \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}} \cap (-\mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}) \stackrel{(2) \text{ and } (3)}{=} \{z \in \mathbb{Z} | 0 \leq z\} \cap \{z \in \mathbb{Z} | z \leq 0\}$  so that  $0 \leq z \wedge z \leq 0$  so that  $z = 0$  proving that

$$\mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}} \cap (-\mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}) = \{0\} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 9.62.**  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} = \{x/y | x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \setminus \{0\}\}$  where  $q/r$  is a shorthand for  $q \cdot r^{-1}$  [see notation: 9.33]

**Proof.** Using [theorems: 8.33, 9.37, 9.57] we have the following

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a field isomorphism} \quad (9.96)$$

$$i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a field isomorphism} \quad (9.97)$$

$$i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a ring isomorphism} \quad (9.98)$$

Let  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  then by [eq: 9.97] there exist a  $q' \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $q = i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(q')$ . As  $q' \in \mathbb{Q}$  we have by [theorem: 8.34] that there exists  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$  and  $y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $q' = x \cdot y^{-1}$ , hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} q &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(q') \\ &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x \cdot y^{-1}) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x) \cdot i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(y^{-1}) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x) \cdot (i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(y))^{-1} \\ &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x) / i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(y) \end{aligned} \quad (9.99)$$

As  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$  and  $y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus \{0\}$  there exists by [eq: 9.102] a  $x' \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $y' \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $x = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x')$  and  $y = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y')$ . So by [eq: 9.98] we have that  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x) = (i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}})(x') \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(y) = (i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}})(y') \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \setminus \{0\}$ . Combining this with [eq: 9.99] we have that  $q \in \{x/y | x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \setminus \{0\}\}$  proving that

$$\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \{x/y | x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \setminus \{0\}\} \quad (9.100)$$

If  $q \in \{x/y \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \setminus \{0\}\}$  there exists  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $q = x/y$ . Using [eq: 9.98] there exists  $x' \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $z' \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $x = i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x'))$  and  $y = i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y'))$ . From [eq: 9.96] it follows that  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x') \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}}$  and  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y') \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus \{0\}$  which by [theorem: 8.34] gives  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x') \cdot (i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y'))^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q}$ . So by [eq: 9.98]

$$i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x') \cdot (i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y'))^{-1}) \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \quad (9.101)$$

Further

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x') \cdot (i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y'))^{-1}) &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x')) \cdot i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}((i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y'))^{-1}) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(x')) \cdot (i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}}(y')))^{-1} \\ &= x \cdot y^{-1} \\ &= q \end{aligned}$$

proving by [eq: 9.101] that  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$ . Hence  $\{x/y \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \setminus \{0\}\} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  which combined with [eq: 9.100] proves finally that

$$\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} = \{x/y \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \setminus \{0\}\} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 9.63.** *Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  with  $x < y$  then*

1.  $x + 1 \leq y$
2.  $x \leq y - 1$

**Proof.** By [theorem: 9.60] that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism} \quad (9.102)$$

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a group homeomorphism} \quad (9.103)$$

Let  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $0 < x$  then by [theorem: 9.61] we have that  $x \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  so that by [eq: 9.102]  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $x = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n)$ . Using [theorem: 3.52] we have then that  $0 < n$  so that by [theorem: 5.50] we have that  $1 \leq n$ , hence we have that  $1 \underset{[\text{eq: 9.103}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(1) \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) = x$ , so we have

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ with } 0 < x \text{ we have } 1 \leq x \quad (9.104)$$

Next

1. Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $x < y$  then  $0 < y - x \in \mathbb{Z}$  [as  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$  is a sub group of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$ ], so by [eq: 9.104] we have that  $1 \leq y - x$ , hence

$$x + 1 \leq y$$

2. As  $x + 1 \leq y$  we have that

$$x = (x + 1) - 1 \leq y - 1 \quad \square$$

**Theorem 9.64. (Archimedean Property)** *If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $0 < x$  then  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  such that  $y < n \cdot x$*

**Proof.** For  $y$  we have either

**$y \leq 0$ .** Then for  $n = 1$  we have  $y \leq 0 < x = 1 \cdot x = n \cdot x$  proving that  $y < n \cdot x$

**$0 < y$ .** We prove this by contradiction. Assume that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  we have  $n \cdot x \leq y$ . Define

$$A = \{n \cdot x \mid n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}\}$$

then  $\forall t \in A$  we have  $t \leq y$  so that  $y$  is a upper bound of  $A$ . By [theorem: 9.51]  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete so that  $\sup(A)$  exists. As  $0 < x$  we have  $-x < 0$  so that  $\sup(A) - x < \sup(A)$ , given that by [theorem: 9.43]  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered we have by [theorem: 3.68] that  $\exists t \in A$  such that  $\sup(A) - x < t$ . Given the definition of  $A$  we have that  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_0, \mathbb{R}$  such that  $t = n \cdot x$  hence  $\sup(A) - x < n \cdot x$  so that

$$\sup(A) < n \cdot x + x = (n + 1) \cdot x \quad (9.105)$$

As  $n + 1 \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have that  $(n + 1) \cdot x \in A$  so that  $(n + 1) \cdot x \leq \sup(A)$  contradicting [eq: 9.105]. So our assumption is wrong hence

$$\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \text{ such that } y < n \cdot x \quad \square$$

**Corollary 9.65.** *Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  then we have*

1.  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x < n$
2.  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $n \leq x < n + 1$
3.  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $n < x \leq n + 1$
4.  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $n - 1 \leq x < n$
5.  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $n - 1 < x \leq n$
6. If  $0 < x$  then  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $0 < 1/n < x$

**Proof.**

1. As  $0 < 1$  [see corollary: 9.42] we have by the Archimedean property [see theorem: 9.64] that there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x < n \cdot 1 = n$
2. By (1)  $A = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} | x < n\} \neq \emptyset$  and by the well ordering of  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle$  [see theorem: 9.60 (7)] there exists a least element  $m \in A$ . As  $m - 1 < m$  [see corollary: 9.46] we have that  $m - 1 \notin A$  hence  $m - 1 \leq x$  and as  $m \in A$  we have also  $x < m$ . Take  $n = m - 1$  then  $n \leq x < m = n + 1$ .
3. Using (2) there exist a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $m \leq x < m + 1$ . As  $m \leq x$  we have the following possibilities to consider:
 

**$m = x$ .** Take then  $n = m - 1$  so that  $n + 1 = m$  then we have  $n < x \leq n + 1$

**$m < x$ .** Take then  $n = m$  so that  $n < x \leq n + 1$
4. Using (2) there exist a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $m \leq x < m + 1$ , take then  $n = m + 1$  so that  $m = n - 1$ , hence  $n - 1 \leq x < n$ .
5. Using (3) there exist a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $m < x \leq m + 1$ , take then  $n = m + 1$  so that  $m = n - 1$ , hence  $n - 1 < x \leq n$ .
6. Using the Archimedean Property [see theorem: 9.64] there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $1 < n \cdot x$ . If  $n = 0$  we would have  $1 < 0$  a contradiction so  $0 \neq n$ . Using [theorem: 9.61] we have that  $0 \leq n$  so we find that  $0 < n$ . Applying then [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] we have  $0 < n^{-1} = 1/n$  which using [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] on  $1 < n \cdot x$  gives  $1/n = 1 \cdot n^{-1} < (n \cdot x) \cdot n^{-1} = x$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 9.66.** *Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  then we have*

1. If  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  we have that  $x \leq y + 1/n$  then  $x \leq y$
2. If  $\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have that  $x \leq y + \varepsilon$  then  $x \leq y$
3. Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  then if  $\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have that  $x \leq y + \varepsilon \cdot a$  then  $x \leq y$
4. Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  then if  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  we have that  $x \leq y + a/n$  then  $x \leq y$

**Proof.**

1. Assume that  $y < x$  then we have  $0 < x - y$  so by [corollary: 9.65] there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $1/n < x - y$ . As we also have that  $x \leq y + 1/n \Rightarrow x - y \leq 1/n$  we reach the contradiction  $1/n < 1/n$ . So the assumption is wrong and we must have that

$$x \leq y$$

2. Assume that  $y < x$  then we have  $0 < x - y$  so by [corollary: 9.65] there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $1/n < x - y$ . Take  $\varepsilon = 1/n$  then we have also  $x \leq y + \varepsilon \Rightarrow x - y \leq \varepsilon = \frac{1}{n}$  so we reach the contradiction  $1/n < 1/n$ . So the assumption is wrong and we must have that

$$x \leq y$$

3. As  $a \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  we have two possibilities to consider:

$a = 0$ . Then if we take  $\varepsilon = 1 \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have from  $x \leq y + a \cdot \varepsilon = y + 0.1 = y$  that  $x \leq y$

$0 < a$ . Take  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}^+$  then for  $\delta = \varepsilon/a \in \mathbb{R}^+$  we have by the assumption that  $x \leq y + a \cdot \delta = y + (\varepsilon/a) \cdot a = y + \varepsilon$ . So we have  $\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}^+$  that  $x \leq y + \varepsilon$  which by (2) proves that

$$x \leq y$$

4. As  $a \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  we have two possibilities to consider:

$a = 0$ . Then if we take  $n = 1 \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}$  we have from  $x \leq y + a/n = y + 1/1 \cdot 0 = y$  that  $x \leq y$

$0 < a$ . Take  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}$  then

$$0 < n \xrightarrow{[\text{theorems: 9.45, 4.73}]} 0 < a \cdot n \xrightarrow{[\text{theorems: 9.45, 4.73}]} 0 < (a \cdot n)^{-1} = a^{-1} \cdot n^{-1}$$

so that by [corollary: 9.65] there exists a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $1/m < a^{-1} \cdot n^{-1}$ . By assumption we have now  $x \leq y + a/m = y + a \cdot (a^{-1} \cdot n^{-1}) = y + 1/n$ . So we have  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}$  that  $x \leq y + 1/n$  which by (1) implies that

$$x \leq y \quad \square$$

The next theorem shows how the embedded rational numbers are dense in the set of real numbers.

**Theorem 9.67. (Density Theorem)** *If  $x \in y \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x < y$  then we have*

1.  $\exists q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x < q < y$
2.  $\exists r \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x < r < y$

*In other words if we have two different real numbers then we can always find a rational number and a irrational number that lies between the two real numbers.*

**Proof.**

1. We first prove the case for  $0 \leq x$ , then we have either

$0 < x$ . From  $x < y$  we have that  $0 < y - x$  so that by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73]  $0 < (y - x)^{-1}$ . Using [corollary: 9.65] there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  such that  $0 < (y - x)^{-1} < n$ . As  $0 < y - x$  we have that  $1 = (y - x)^{-1} \cdot (y - x) < n \cdot (y - x)$  so that

$$1 + n \cdot x < n \cdot y \quad (9.106)$$

and from  $0 < (y - x)^{-1} < n$  that

$$0 < n \xrightarrow{[\text{theorems: 9.45, 4.73}]} 0 < n^{-1} = 1/n \quad (9.107)$$

Using [corollary: 9.65] there exist a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  such that

$$m - 1 \leq n \cdot x < m \quad (9.108)$$

Multiplying by  $n^{-1}$  gives then by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] that  $x = (n \cdot x) \cdot n^{-1} < m \cdot n^{-1} = m/n$ . Take  $q = m/n$  then, as  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$ , we have by [theorem: 9.62] that  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$ . So we have

$$x < q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \quad (9.109)$$

From [eq: 9.108] we have that  $m \leq n \cdot x + 1 < n \cdot y$  [see eq: 9.106] so that  $m < n \cdot y$  and by multiplying both sides by  $n^{-1}$  that  $q = m/n < y$ . Combining this with [eq: 9.109] gives finally

$$x < q < y \text{ where } q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$$

$x = 0$ . Then  $0 < y$  and by [corollary: 9.65] there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $0 < 1/n < y$ . As  $1, n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  we have by [theorem: 9.62] that  $1/n \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  hence if we take  $q = 1/n$  we have that

$$x < q < y \text{ where } q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$$

So we have proved that

$$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } 0 \leq x \wedge x < y \text{ there exist a } q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \text{ such that } x < q < y \quad (9.110)$$

So the only case left to prove is where  $x < 0$ . Then we for  $y$  we have either

$0 < y$ . Then if we tak  $q = 0 \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  so that

$$x < q < y \text{ with } q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$$

$y \leq 0$ . Then  $x < y \leq 0$  or using [theorems: 9.45, 4.73]  $0 \leq -y < -x$ . Take  $x' = -y$  and  $y' = -x$  then  $0 \leq x' < y'$  and by [eq: 9.110] there exists a  $q' \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x' < q' < y'$ . So  $-y < q' < -x$  or  $x < -q' < y$ . As  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle$  is a sub group of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$  it follows that  $-q' \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  hence if we take  $q = -q'$  then we have

$$x < q < y \text{ where } q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$$

2. Finally we prove the case for the irrational numbers. By [theorem: 9.52]  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \neq \emptyset$  so there exist a  $z \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$ , then from  $x < y$  we have that  $x + z < y + z$ . Using (1) there exist a  $r \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x + z < r < y + z$  or  $x < r - q < y$ . Take  $q = r - z$  then we have  $x < q < y$ . Assume that  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  then as  $z = r - q, r \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle$  is a sub group of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$  we have that  $z \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  contradicting  $z \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$ . So we must have that  $q \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and we conclude that

$$x < q < y \text{ where } x \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \quad \square$$

## 9.4 Recursion and Induction in the set of real numbers

### 9.4.1 Extending Mathematical induction and recursion

To be able to use recursion and induction arguments we have to extend mathematical induction and recursion using  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  instead of  $\mathbb{N}_0$ . First we handle induction and then recursion.

**Definition 9.68.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  then we define

$$\{n, \dots, m\} = \{i \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} | n \leq i \leq m\}$$

$$\{n, \dots, \infty\} = \{i \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} | n \leq i\}$$

**Lemma 9.69.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  then we define

1.  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{n, \dots, m\}) = \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n), \dots, i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(m)\}$
2.  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{m, \dots, \infty\}) = \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n), \dots, \infty\}$
3.  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} = \{0, \dots, \infty\}$

**Proof.** Using [theorems: 9.60] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism} \quad (9.111)$$

then we have:

1. If  $y \in i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{n, \dots, m\})$  then  $\exists x \in \{n, \dots, m\}$  such that  $y = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x)$ . As  $x \leq n \wedge x \leq m$  we have by [eq: 9.111] that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x) \wedge i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x) \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(m)$  proving that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) \leq y \wedge y \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(m)$  hence  $y \in \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n), \dots, i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(m)\}$ , so we have

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{n, \dots, m\}) \subseteq \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n), \dots, i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(m)\} \quad (9.112)$$

Further if  $y \in \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n), \dots, i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(m)\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  then  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) \leq y \wedge y \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(m)$  and by [eq: 9.111]  $\exists x \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $y = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x)$ . Using [eq: 9.111] again we have then that  $n \leq x \wedge x \leq m$  so that  $x \in \{n, \dots, m\}$  proving that  $y \in i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{n, \dots, m\})$ . So we have  $\{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n), \dots, i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(m)\} \subseteq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{n, \dots, m\})$  which combined with [eq: 9.112] gives

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{n, \dots, m\}) = \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n), \dots, i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(m)\}$$

2. If  $y \in i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{n, \dots, \infty\})$  then  $\exists x \in \{n, \dots, \infty\}$  such that  $y = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x)$ . As  $x \leq n$  we have by [eq: 9.111] that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x)$  proving that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) \leq y$  hence  $y \in \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n), \dots, \infty\}$ , so we have

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{n, \dots, \infty\}) \subseteq \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n), \dots, \infty\} \quad (9.113)$$

Further if  $y \in \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n), \dots, \infty\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  then  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) \leq y$  and by [eq: 9.111]  $\exists x \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $y = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x)$ . Using [eq: 9.111] again we have then that  $n \leq x$  so that  $x \in \{n, \dots, \infty\}$  proving that  $y \in i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{n, \dots, \infty\})$ . So we have  $\{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n), \dots, \infty\} \subseteq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{n, \dots, \infty\})$  which combined with [eq: 9.113] gives

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{n, \dots, \infty\}) = \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n), \dots, \infty\}$$

3. Using [note: 5.80] we have that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = \{0, \dots, \infty\}$  so that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{N}_0) = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{0, \dots, \infty\}) \stackrel{(2)}{=} \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(0), \dots, \infty\} = \{0, \dots, \infty\} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 9.70.** *Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  and  $S \subseteq \{k, \dots, \infty\}$  such that*

1.  $k \in S$
2. *If  $n \in S$  then  $n + 1 \in S$*

*then  $S = \{k, \dots, \infty\}$*

**Proof.** Using [theorems: 9.60, 3.54] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}, + \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphisms and } i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(1) = 1 \quad (9.114)$$

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle \text{ and } (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}: \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \text{ are order isomorphisms} \quad (9.115)$$

Define  $T = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(S)$  and take  $k' = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(k)$  then we have

$k' \in T$ . As  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(k') = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(k)) = k \in S$  it follows that  $k' \in T$

$n \in T \Rightarrow n + 1 \in T$ . As  $n \in T = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(S)$  we have that  $n' = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) \in S$ , by the hypothesis we have then that  $n' + 1 \in S$ . Hence

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n + 1) \stackrel{[eq: 9.114]}{=} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) + i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(1) \stackrel{[eq: 9.114]}{=} n' + 1 \in S$$

so that  $n + 1 \in (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(S) = T$ .

Using [theorem: 5.82] it follows that  $T = \{k', \dots, \infty\}$  so

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{k', \dots, \infty\}) = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(T) = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(S)) \stackrel{[eq: 9.114] \text{ and } [theorem: 2.55]}{=} S \quad (9.116)$$

Next

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\{k', \dots, \infty\}) &\stackrel{[lemma: 9.69]}{=} \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(k'), \dots, \infty\} \\ &= \{k, \dots, \infty\} \end{aligned}$$

which combined with [eq: 9.116] gives finally

$$S = \{k, \dots, \infty\} \quad \square$$

Next we handle recursive definitions

**Theorem 9.71.** *Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  and  $f: A \rightarrow A$  a function then there exist a **unique** function*

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} \rightarrow A$$

*such that:*

1.  $\lambda(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  we have  $\lambda(n + 1) = f(\lambda(n))$



**Proof.** Using [theorems: 9.60, 4.24] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}, + \rangle \text{ and } (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}: \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \text{ are group isomorphisms} \quad (9.117)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(1) = 1 \quad (9.118)$$

Now by [theorem: 5.83] there exist a **unique** function  $\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  such that

1.  $\beta(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $\beta(n+1) = f(\beta(n))$

Define  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} \rightarrow A$  by  $\lambda = \beta \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}$  then we have:

1.  $\lambda(0) = \beta \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(0) = \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(0)) = \beta(0) = a$
2. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  and take  $n' = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n)$  then

$$(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n+1) = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n) + (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(1) \underset{[\text{eq: 9.118}]}{=} (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n) + 1 = n' + 1$$

So that

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(n+1) &= (\beta \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1})(n+1) \\ &= \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n+1)) \\ &= \beta(n' + 1) \\ &= f(\beta(n')) \\ &= f(\beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n))) \\ &= f(\lambda(n)) \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have proved the existence of  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} \rightarrow A$ .

Next we prove uniqueness, so assume that there is another  $\gamma: \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} \rightarrow A$  such that  $\gamma(0) = a$  and  $\gamma(n+1) = f(\gamma(n))$ . Then  $(\gamma \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}): \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  is such that

$$(\gamma \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})(0) = \gamma(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(0)) = \gamma(0) = a$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (\gamma \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})(n+1) &= \gamma(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n+1)) \\ &= \gamma(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) + i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(1)) \\ &= \gamma(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) + 1) \\ &= f(\gamma(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n))) \\ &= f((\gamma \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})(n)) \end{aligned}$$

As  $\beta$  is unique we have by the above that  $\beta = \gamma \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}$ , so that

$$\lambda = \beta \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1} = (\gamma \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}) \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1} = \gamma \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}) = \gamma \circ \text{id}_{\mathbb{N}_0} = \gamma$$

proving uniqueness. □

**Theorem 9.72. (Iteration)** *Let  $A$  be a set and  $f: A \rightarrow A$  a function then  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  there exist a function*

$$(f)^n: A \rightarrow A$$

*such that:*

1.  $(f)^0 = \text{Id}_A$
2.  $(f)^{n+1} = f \circ (f)^n$

**Proof.** Let  $a \in A$  and use the recursion [theorem: 9.71] to find a function

$$\lambda_a: \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} \rightarrow A \text{ such that } \lambda_a(0) = a \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} \lambda_a(s(n)) = f(\lambda_a(n))$$

Define now

$$(f)^n: A \rightarrow A \text{ where } (f)^n(a) = \lambda_a(n)$$

Then we have

1.  $\forall a \in A$  we have that  $(f)^0(a) = \lambda_a(0) = a$  so that

$$(f)^0 = \text{Id}_A$$

2.  $\forall a \in A$  we have that  $(f)^{s(n)}(a) = \lambda_a(s(n)) = f(\lambda_a(n)) = f((f)^n(a)) = (f \circ (f)^n)(a)$  so that

$$(f)^{s(n)} = f \circ (f)^n \quad \square$$

**Theorem 9.73.** *Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  and  $g: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \times A \rightarrow A$  then there exist a **unique** function*

$$\gamma: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow A$$

such that:

1.  $\lambda(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \lambda(n+1) = g(n, \lambda(n))$

**Proof.** By [theorems: 9.60,4.24] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle \text{ and } (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}: \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \text{ are group isomorphisms} \quad (9.119)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(1) = 1 \quad (9.120)$$

Define now

$$h: \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \rightarrow A \text{ by } h(n, a) = g((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})(n), a)$$

Using [theorem: 5.85] there exist a  $\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  such that

1.  $\beta(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  we have  $\beta(n+1) = h(n, \beta(n))$

Define now

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow A \text{ by } \lambda = \beta \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}$$

then we have:

1.  $\lambda(0) = \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(0)) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.119}]}{=} \beta(0) = a$
2. If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(n+1) &= \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n+1)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.119}]}{=} \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n) + (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(1)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 9.120}]}{=} \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n) + 1) \\ &= h((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n), \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n))) \\ &= h((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n), \lambda(n)) \\ &= g(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n)), \lambda(n)) \\ &= g(n, \lambda(n)) \end{aligned}$$

which proves existence. Now for uniqueness assume that there is a

$$\gamma: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow A \text{ such that } \beta(0) = a \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \text{ that } \beta(s(n)) = g(n, \beta(n))$$

Define now  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} | \lambda(n) = \gamma(n)\}$  then we have:

**0**  $\in S$ . As  $\lambda(0) = a = \gamma(0)$  it follows that  $0 \in S$ .

**$n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$ .** As

$$\lambda(n+1) = g(n, \lambda(n)) \stackrel{n \in S}{=} g(n, \gamma(n)) = \gamma(n+1)$$

we have that  $n + 1 \in S$

Using mathematical induction [theorem: 9.70] we have  $S = \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$ , so  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  we have  $n \in S$  hence  $\lambda(n) = \gamma(n)$  proving that

$$\lambda = \gamma \quad \square$$

**Corollary 9.74.** *Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  and  $g: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \times A \rightarrow A$  then there exist a **unique** function*

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow A$$

*such that:*

1.  $\lambda(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} \lambda(n) = g(n-1, \lambda(n-1))$

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 9.73] there exists a **unique**  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow A$  such that

$$\lambda(0) = a \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \lambda(n+1) = g(n, \lambda(n))$$

Let  $n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\}$  then  $1 \leq n$  so that  $n-1 \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $n = (n-1) + 1$ , hence  $\lambda(n) = \lambda((n-1) + 1) = g(n-1, \lambda(n-1))$ .  $\square$

The two previous theorems gives a way of defining functions by recursions as is expressed in the following two definitions.

**Definition 9.75.** *Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  then we can define a function as follows:*

$$f: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow A$$

*is defined by:*

1.  $f(0) = a$
2.  $f(n+1) = G(n, \lambda(n))$

*where  $G(n, \lambda(n))$  is a expression of two parameters. The above is equivalent with the function defined by [theorem: 9.73] where  $a \in A$  and  $g: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \times A \rightarrow A$  is defined by  $g(n, x) = G(n, x)$ .*

Another way to define a recursive function is based on [corollary: 9.74]

**Definition 9.76.** *Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  then we define  $f: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow A$  as follows*

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } n = 0 \\ G(n-1, f(n-1)) & \text{if } n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} \end{cases}$$

*Which is equivalent with the function defined by [theorem: 5.86] where  $a \in A$  and  $g: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \times A \rightarrow A$  is defined by  $g(n, x) = G(n, x)$ .*

We apply this to define power operation in  $\mathbb{R}$

### 9.4.2 Power in $\mathbb{R}$

Next we define power in the set of real numbers.

**Definition 9.77.** *Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $\alpha^{(\cdot)}: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by  $n \rightarrow \alpha^n$  where*

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^0 &= 1 \\ \alpha^{n+1} &= \alpha \cdot \alpha^n \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 9.78.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  then we have*

1. *If  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  then  $m^n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$*
2. *If  $z \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  then  $z^n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$*
3. *If  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  then  $q^n \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$*

4. If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$  then  $\alpha^n \in \mathbb{R}^+$  [in other words if  $0 < \alpha$  then  $0 < \alpha^n$ ]

**Proof.** This is easily proved by induction.

1. Take  $S_m = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} | m^n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}\}$  then we have

$0 \in S_m$ . As  $m^0 = 1 \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  we have that  $0 \in S_m$

$n \in S_m \Rightarrow n+1 \in S_m$ . Then  $m^{n+1} = m \cdot m^n$ . As  $n \in S_m$  we have that  $m^n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  and by the hypothesis  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$ , so, as  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, \cdot \rangle$  is a sub group of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot \rangle$ , we have that  $m \cdot m^n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$ . Hence  $n+1 \in S_m$ .

2. Take  $S_z = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} | z^n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  then we have

$0 \in S_z$ . As  $m^0 = 1 \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  we have that  $0 \in S_z$

$n \in S_z \Rightarrow n+1 \in S_z$ . Then  $z^{n+1} = z \cdot z^n$ . As  $n \in S_z$  we have that  $z^n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and by the hypothesis  $z \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$ , so, as  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, \cdot \rangle$  is a sub group of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot \rangle$ , we have that  $z \cdot z^n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$ . Hence  $n+1 \in S_z$ .

3. Take  $S_q = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} | q^n \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}\}$  then we have

$0 \in S_q$ . As  $q^0 = 1 \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  we have that  $0 \in S_q$

$n \in S_q \Rightarrow n+1 \in S_q$ . Then  $q^{n+1} = q \cdot q^n$ . As  $n \in S_q$  we have that  $q^n \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and by the hypothesis  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$ , so, as  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, \cdot \rangle$  is a sub group of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot \rangle$ , we have that  $q \cdot q^n \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$ . Hence  $n+1 \in S_q$ .

4. Take  $S_\alpha = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} | \alpha^n \in \mathbb{R}^+\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S_\alpha$ . As  $\alpha^0 = 1 \in \mathbb{R}^+$  it follows that  $0 \in S_\alpha$ .

$n \in S_\alpha \Rightarrow n+1 \in S_\alpha$ . As  $n \in S_\alpha$  we have that  $0 < \alpha^n$  so that, as  $0 < \alpha$  we have that  $0 < \alpha \cdot \alpha^n = \alpha^{n+1}$  proving that  $n+1 \in S_\alpha$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 9.79.** For  $\mathbb{R}$  we have

1.  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\}$  that  $0 < \alpha^n < 1$
2.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $n \in \{2, \dots, \infty\}$  that  $0 < \alpha^n < x$
3.  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $1 \leq \alpha$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}$  we have:
  - a. If  $\alpha < \beta$  then  $\alpha < \beta^n$
  - b. If  $\alpha \leq \beta$  then  $\alpha < \beta^n$

**Proof.**

1. We proof this by induction on  $n$ . So let  $S = \{n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} | 0 < \alpha^n < 1\}$  then we have:

$1 \in S$ . As  $0 < \alpha < 1$  we have by (7.a) that  $0 = 0 \cdot \alpha < \alpha^1 = \alpha < 1 \cdot \alpha$  so that  $0 < \alpha^1 < \alpha$  proving that  $1 \in S$

$n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$ . As  $n \in S$  we have  $0 < \alpha^n < 1$ , so using [theorem: 9.45, 4.73] we have that  $0 = 0 \cdot \alpha < \alpha^n \cdot \alpha < 1 \cdot \alpha = \alpha < 1$  or  $0 < \alpha^{n+1} < 1$ . Hence  $n+1 \in S$

Proving that  $S = \{1, \dots, \infty\}$  or  $\forall n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\}$  we have  $0 < \alpha^n < 1$

2. As  $n \in \{2, \dots, \infty\}$  we have  $2 \leq n \Rightarrow 1 = 2 + (-1) \leq n + (-1) = n-1$  so that  $(n-1) \in \{2, \dots, \infty\}$ . Using (1) we have  $0 < \alpha^{n-1} < 1$  which as  $0 < \alpha$  gives by (7.a)  $0 < 0 \cdot \alpha < \alpha^{n-1} \cdot \alpha < 1 \cdot \alpha = \alpha$ . Or as  $\alpha^{n-1} \cdot \alpha = \alpha^n$  that  $0 < \alpha^n < \alpha$ .

3. Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $1 \leq \alpha$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}$

a. If  $\alpha < \beta$  we have to prove that  $\alpha < \beta^n$ . Let  $S = \{n \in \{1, \dots, n\} | \alpha < \beta^n\}$  then we have:

$1 \in S$ . As  $\alpha < \beta = \beta^1$  we have that  $1 \in S$

$n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$ . As  $1 \leq \alpha < \beta \Rightarrow 1 < \beta$  we have by [theorem: 9.45, 4.73] that

$$\alpha = 1 \cdot \alpha < \beta \cdot \alpha = \alpha \cdot \beta \quad (9.121)$$

As  $n \in S$  we have that  $\alpha < \beta^n$  which by [theorem: 9.45, 4.73] gives  $\alpha \cdot \beta < \beta^n \cdot \beta = \beta^{n+1}$ , combining this with [eq: 9.121] proves  $\alpha < \beta^{n+1}$ . So  $n+1 \in S$ .

So  $S = \{1, \dots, n\} = \mathbb{N}$  hence  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have  $\alpha < \beta^n$ .

b. If  $\alpha \leq \beta$  we have to prove that  $\alpha \leq \beta^n$ . Let  $S = \{n \in \{1, \dots, n\} | \alpha \leq \beta^n\}$  then we have:

$1 \in S$ . As  $\alpha \leq \beta = \beta^1$  we have that  $1 \in S$

$n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$ . As  $1 \leq \alpha \leq \beta \Rightarrow 1 \leq \beta$  we have by (7.a) that

$$\alpha = 1 \cdot \alpha \leq \beta \cdot \alpha = \alpha \cdot \beta \quad (9.122)$$

As  $n \in S$  we have that  $\alpha \leq \beta^n$  which by [theorem: 9.45, 4.73] gives  $\alpha \cdot \beta \leq \beta^n \cdot \beta = \beta^{n+1}$ , combining this with [eq: 9.122] proves  $\alpha \leq \beta^{n+1}$ . So  $n+1 \in S$ .

So  $S = \{1, \dots, n\} = \mathbb{N}$  hence  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have  $\alpha \leq \beta^n$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 9.80.** Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  we have  $\alpha^1 = \alpha$  and  $\alpha^2 = \alpha \cdot \alpha$

**Proof.** We have  $\alpha^1 = \alpha^{0+1} = \alpha \cdot \alpha^0 = \alpha \cdot 1 = \alpha$  and  $\alpha^2 = \alpha^{1+1} = \alpha \cdot \alpha^1 = \alpha \cdot \alpha$   $\square$

**Theorem 9.81.** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $\alpha^{n+m} = \alpha^n \cdot \alpha^m$

**Proof.** This is proved by induction, so let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}, n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  and define

$$S_{n, \alpha} = \{m \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} | \alpha^{n+m} = \alpha^n \cdot \alpha^m\}$$

then we have:

$0 \in S_{n, \alpha}$ . Then  $\alpha^{n+0} = \alpha^n = \alpha^n \cdot 1 = \alpha^n \cdot \alpha^0$  proving that  $0 \in S_{n, \alpha}$ .

$m \in S_{n, \alpha} \Rightarrow m+1 \in S_{n, \alpha}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^{n+(m+1)} &= \alpha^{(n+m)+1} \\ &= \alpha \cdot \alpha^{(n+m)} \\ &= \alpha^{n+m} \cdot \alpha \\ &\stackrel{m \in S_{n, \alpha}}{=} (\alpha^n \cdot \alpha^m) \cdot \alpha \\ &= \alpha^n \cdot (\alpha^m \cdot \alpha) \\ &= \alpha^n \cdot (\alpha \cdot \alpha^m) \\ &= \alpha^n \cdot \alpha^{m+1} \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $m+1 \in S_{n, \alpha}$   $\square$

**Theorem 9.82.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  then  $(x^{-1})^n = (x^n)^{-1}$  or in other words  $(1/x)^n = 1/x^n$

**Proof.** Theorem we prove this by induction, take  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} | (x^{-1})^n = (x^n)^{-1}\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S$ . As  $(1/x)^0 = 1 = (1)^{-1} = (x^0)^{-1}$  proving that  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S \rightarrow n+1 \in S$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} (x^{-1})^{n+1} &= (x^{-1}) \cdot (x^{-1})^n \\ &\stackrel{n \in S}{=} (x^{-1}) \cdot (x^n)^{-1} \\ &\stackrel{[theorem: 4.55]}{=} (x \cdot x^n)^{-1} \\ &= (x^{n+1})^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $n+1 \in S$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 9.83.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  then we have

1. If  $n \neq 0$  then  $0^n = 0$  [note that by definition  $0^0 = 1$ ]

2.  $1^n = 1$
3.  $(-1)^n = 1 \vee (-1)^n = -1$
4.  $(-1)^{2 \cdot n} = 1$
5.  $(-1)^{2 \cdot n + 1} = -1$

**Proof.**

1. If  $n \neq 0$  then  $\exists m \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  such that  $n = m + 1$  so that  $0^n = 0^{m+1} = 0 \cdot 0^m = 0$
2. We proceed by induction, so let

$$S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} | 1^n = 1\}$$

then we have:

$0 \in S$ .  $1^0 = 1$  by definition, proving that  $0 \in S$

$n \in S \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S$ .  $1^{n+1} = 1 \cdot 1^n \underset{n \in S}{=} 1 \cdot 1 = 1$  proving that  $n + 1 \in S$

3. Again we use induction, so let

$$S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} | (-1)^n = 1 \vee (-1)^n = -1\}$$

then we have:

$0 \in S$ .  $(-1)^0 = 1$  proving that  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S$ . As  $n \in S$  we have either:

$(-1)^n = 1$ . Then  $(-1)^{n+1} = (-1) \cdot (-1)^n = (-1) \cdot 1 = -1$  so the  $n + 1 \in S$

$(-1)^n = -1$ . Then  $(-1)^{n+1} = (-1) \cdot (-1)^n = (-1) \cdot (-1) \underset{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]}{=} 1 \cdot 1 = 1$  so that  $n + 1 \in S$

4.  $(-1)^{2 \cdot n} = (-1)^{(1+1) \cdot n} = (-1)^{n+n} \underset{[\text{theorem: 9.81}]}{=} (-1)^n \cdot (-1)^n \underset{[\text{theorem: 9.29}]] \text{ and (3)}}{=} 1$
5.  $(-1)^{2 \cdot n + 1} = (-1) \cdot (-1)^{2 \cdot n} \underset{(4)}{=} (-1) \cdot 1 = -1$  □

The following theorems will play an important role in the calculation of limits.

**Theorem 9.84.**  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  we have that  $n < 2^n$

**Proof.** This is proved by induction so let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} | n < 2^n\}$  then we have

$0 \in S$ . As  $n = 0 < 1 = 2^0$  we have that  $0 \in S$

$n \in S \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S$ . For  $n + 1$  we have the following cases to consider:

$n + 1 = 1$ . Then  $n + 1 = 1 < 2 = 2^1 = 2^{n+1}$  proving that in this case  $n + 1 \in S$

$1 < n + 1$ . Then by [theorem: 9.63] we have  $1 + 1 \leq n + 1$  so that  $1 \leq n$ , adding  $n$  to both sides gives then  $n + 1 \leq n + n = (1 + 1) \cdot n = 2 \cdot n$ . Further as  $n \in S$  we have  $n < 2^n$  so that  $2 \cdot n < 2 \cdot 2^n = 2^{n+1}$ , hence we have  $n + 1 < 2^{n+1}$ , proving that  $n + 1 \in S$ . □

**Corollary 9.85.**  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x < 2^n$

**Proof.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  then by [corollary: 9.65] there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x < n$ , using [theorem: 9.84]  $n < 2^n$  so we have  $x < 2^n$ . □

**Lemma 9.86.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $1 < x$  then  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  we have

$$n \cdot (x - 1) \leq x^n - 1$$

**Proof.** We prove this by induction, so let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 | n \cdot (x - 1) \leq x^n - 1\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S$ . Then  $n \cdot (x - 1) = 0 \cdot (x - 1) = 0 \leq 0 = 1 - 1 = x^0 - 1 = x^n - 1$  proving that  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S$ . Then as  $n \in S$  we have  $n \cdot (x - 1) \leq x^n - 1$  which as  $0 < x$  prove that

$$x \cdot n \cdot (x - 1) \leq x \cdot (x^n - 1) \quad (9.123)$$

As  $1 < x$  we have that  $0 < x - 1 \xRightarrow{0 \leq n} 0 < n \cdot (x - 1)$  so that

$$n \cdot (x - 1) = 1 \cdot n \cdot (x - 1) < x \cdot n \cdot (x - 1)$$

which combined with [eq: 9.123] proves that

$$n \cdot (x - 1) \leq x \cdot (x^n - 1) \quad (9.124)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^{n+1} - 1 &= x \cdot x^n - 1 \\ &= x \cdot x^n - x + x - 1 \\ &= x \cdot (x^n - 1) + (x - 1) \\ &\geq_{[\text{eq: 9.124}]} n \cdot (x - 1) + (x - 1) \\ &= (n + 1) \cdot (x - 1) \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $n + 1 \in S$ . □

**Theorem 9.87.** *If  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $1 < x$  then  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $m < x^n$*

**Proof.** For  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  we have either:

$m = 1$ . Then  $m = 0 < 1 = x^0$  proving the theorem in this case.

$m = 1$ . Then  $m = 1 < x = x^1$  proving the theorem in this case.

$1 < m$ . Then  $0 < m - 1$  and as  $0 < x - 1 \Rightarrow (x - 1)^{-1}$  so that  $(m - 1)/(x - 1) > 0$ . By [corollary: 9.65] there exist a  $n' \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $(m - 1)/(x - 1) < n$ . As  $0 < x - 1$  we have  $m - 1 < n \cdot (x - 1)$ , by [lemma: 9.86]  $n \cdot (x - 1) \leq (x^n - 1)$ , hence  $m - 1 \leq x^n - 1$  or  $m < x^n$ , proving the theorem in this case. □

**Theorem 9.88.** *If  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $0 < x < 1$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $n < m$  then  $x^m < x^n$*

**Proof.** We prove this by induction, let  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  and take  $S_m = \{n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} \mid x^{m+n} < x^m\}$  then we have:

$1 \in S_m$ . As  $0 < x$  we have by [theorem: 9.78] that  $0 < x^m$ , hence from  $x < 1$  we have that  $x^{m+1} = x \cdot x^m < 1 \cdot x^m = x^m$ , proving that  $1 \in S_m$ .

$n \in S_m \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S_m$ . As  $x < 1$  and by [theorem: 9.78]  $0 < x^{m+n}$  we have that  $x^{m+(n+1)} = x \cdot x^{m+n} < x^{m+n} \xRightarrow{n \in S_m \Rightarrow x^{m+n} < x^m} x^{m+(n+1)} < x^m$  proving that  $n + 1 \in S_m$ .

Using Mathematical induction [see theorem: 9.70] we have that  $S_m = \{1, \dots, \infty\}$ . So take  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  with  $n < m$  then  $k = m - n > 0 \Rightarrow k \geq 1$  so that  $k \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} = S_n$  hence  $x^m = x^{n+k} < x^n$  completing the proof. □

**Theorem 9.89.** *Let  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $0 < x < 1$  then  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $0 < x^n < \varepsilon$*

**Proof.** As  $0 < \varepsilon$  we have by [theorem: 9.65] that  $\exists m \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $0 < 1/m < \varepsilon$ , hence using [theorems: 9.45, 4.73]  $0 < 1/\varepsilon < m$ . As  $0 < x < 1$  we have by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73]  $1 = 1/1 < 1/x$ , so using the previous theorem [theorem: 9.87] there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $m < (1/x)^n \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.82}]}{=} 1/x^n$ . Hence we have  $0 < 1/\varepsilon < 1/x^n$  which by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] gives  $0 < x^n < \varepsilon$ . □

## 9.5 The square root

**Theorem 9.90.** *The function*

$$(\cdot)^2: \mathbb{R}_0^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+ \text{ defined by } (\cdot)^2(x) = x^2 = x \cdot x$$

is a bijection.

**Proof.** We have

**injectivity.** Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$   $\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 9.44}]}{=} \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 \leq x\}$  be such that  $x^2 = y^2$  then we have the following possibilities:

$x = 0$ . Assume that  $y \neq 0$  then  $0 < y$  so that by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73]  $0 < y \cdot y = y^2 = x^2 = x \cdot x = 0$  leading to the contradiction  $0 < 0$ . Hence we have  $y = 0$  so that  $x = y$ .

$y = 0$ . Assume that  $x \neq 0$  then  $0 < x$  so that by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73]  $0 < x \cdot x = x^2 = y^2 = y \cdot y = 0$  leading to the contradiction  $0 < 0$ . Hence we have  $x = 0$  so that  $x = y$ .

$0 < x \wedge 0 < y$ . Assume that  $x \neq y$  then we have either:

$x < y$ . Then by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] we have  $x \cdot y < y \cdot y = y^2$  and  $x^2 = x \cdot x < y \cdot x = x \cdot y$  so that  $x^2 \neq y^2$  contradicting  $x^2 = y^2$ .

$y < x$ . Then by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] we have  $y \cdot x < x \cdot x = x^2$  and  $y^2 = y \cdot y < x \cdot y = y \cdot x$  so that  $x^2 \neq y^2$  contradicting  $x^2 = y^2$ .

**surjectivity.** Given  $y \in \mathbb{R}_0^+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 \leq x\}$  then  $0 \leq y$  and we have the following possibilities to consider:

$y = 0$ . Then  $0^0 = 0 \cdot 0 = 0 = y$ , hence if  $x = 0$  we have  $y = x^2$

$y = 1$ . Then  $1^2 = 1 \cdot 1 = 1 = y$ , hence if  $x = 1$  we have  $y = x^2$

$0 < y \wedge y \neq 1$ . Take then  $S_y = \{t \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 \leq t \wedge t^2 \leq y\}$ . As  $0^2 = 0 < y$  we have  $0 \in S_y$  hence

$$\emptyset \neq S_y \quad (9.125)$$

As  $y \neq 1$  we have either:

$y < 1$ . Assume that  $\exists t \in S_y$  such that  $1 < t$  then by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] we have  $t < t \cdot t = t^2$ , as  $t \in S_y$  we have  $t^2 \leq y < 1$  so that  $t < 1$  contradicting  $1 < t$ . Hence we have  $\forall t \in S_y$  that  $t \leq 1$  proving that  $S_y$  is bounded above.

$1 < y$ . Assume that  $\exists t \in S_y$  such that  $y < t$  then as  $1 < y$  we have  $1 < t$  so that  $t < t \cdot t = t^2 \leq y$  contradicting the assumption  $y < t$ . So the assumption is wrong and we have  $\forall t \in S_y$  that  $t \leq y$  proving that  $S_y$  is bounded above.

So in all cases we have that

$$S_u \text{ is bounded above} \quad (9.126)$$

As  $(\mathbb{R}, \leq)$  is conditionally complete [see theorem: 9.51] we have thanks to [eqs: 9.125, 9.126] that

$$s_y = \sup(S_y) \text{ exist} \quad (9.127)$$

For  $y \neq 1$  we consider again the following possibilities:

$y < 1$ . As  $0 < y$  we have by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] that  $y^2 = y \cdot y < 1 \cdot y = y$  so that  $y \in S_y$  so  $y \leq s_y \stackrel{0 < y}{\Rightarrow} 0 < s_y$ .

$1 < y$ . Then  $0 < t$  and  $1^2 = 1 < y$  so that  $1 \in S_y$ , hence  $1 \leq s_y$  proving that  $0 < s_y$ .

So we have that

$$0 < s_y \quad (9.128)$$

Let  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $0 < \varepsilon < s_y$ . Then  $0 < s_y - \varepsilon < s_y < s_y + \varepsilon$ , so that by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73]

$$\begin{aligned} (s_y - \varepsilon)^2 &= (s_y - \varepsilon) \cdot (s_y - \varepsilon) < s_y \cdot (s_y - \varepsilon) \\ &= (s_y - \varepsilon) \cdot s_y < s_y \cdot s_y = s_y^2 \\ s_y \cdot (s_y + \varepsilon) &< (s_y + \varepsilon) \cdot (s_y + \varepsilon) = (s_y + \varepsilon)^2 \\ s_y^2 &= s_y \cdot s_y < (s_y + \varepsilon) \cdot s_y \end{aligned}$$



So that

$$(s_y - \varepsilon)^2 < s_y^2 < (s_y + \varepsilon)^2 \quad (9.129)$$

As  $s_y$  is an upper bound of  $S_y$  and  $s_y < s_y + \varepsilon$  we must have that  $s_y + \varepsilon \notin S_y$ , which, as  $0 < s_y < s_y + \varepsilon$  proves that

$$y < (s_y + \varepsilon)^2 \quad (9.130)$$

As  $(\mathbb{R}, \leq)$  is totally ordered and  $s_y - \varepsilon < s_y$  we have by [theorem: 3.68] that  $\exists f \in S_y$  such that  $s_y - \varepsilon < f$ . As  $0 < s_y - \varepsilon$  we have by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] that  $(s_y - \varepsilon) \cdot f < f \cdot f = f^2$  and  $(s_y - \varepsilon)^2 = (s_y - \varepsilon) \cdot (s_y - \varepsilon) < f \cdot (s_y - \varepsilon)$  so that  $(s_y - \varepsilon)^2 < f^2$ . As  $f \in S_y$  it follows that  $f^2 \leq y$  so that

$$(s_y - \varepsilon)^2 < y \quad (9.131)$$

Using [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] on [eqs: 9.130, 9.131] we have that

$$-(s_y + \varepsilon)^2 < -y < -(s_y - \varepsilon)^2 \quad (9.132)$$

Adding [eq: 9.129] to [eq: 9.132] gives

$$(s_y - \varepsilon)^2 - (s_y + \varepsilon)^2 < s_y^2 - y < (s_y + \varepsilon)^2 - (s_y - \varepsilon)^2 \quad (9.133)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} (s_y - \varepsilon)^2 - (s_y + \varepsilon)^2 &= s_y^2 - 2 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y + \varepsilon^2 - (s_y^2 + 2 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y + \varepsilon^2) \\ &= -4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y \end{aligned}$$

which combined with [eq: 9.133] gives

$$\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } 0 < \varepsilon < s_y \text{ we have } -4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y^2 < s_y^2 - y < 4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y \quad (9.134)$$

or using [theorems: 9.45, 4.73]

$$\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } 0 < \varepsilon < s_y \text{ we have } -4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y^2 < y - s_y^2 < 4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y \quad (9.135)$$

Now as  $0 < s_y$  we have by [theorem: 9.64] a  $\varepsilon_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$0 < \varepsilon_0 < s_y \quad (9.136)$$

For  $s_y^2 - y$  we can have now the following possibilities:

**$s_y^2 - y < 0$ .** Take then  $\delta = y - s_y^2$  then  $0 < \delta$ . Take  $\varepsilon = \min(\delta / (4 \cdot s_y), \varepsilon_0)$  then we have as  $0 < 4 \cdot s_y, \varepsilon_0$  by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] that  $0 < \varepsilon$  and  $\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0 < s_y$  so we have by [eq: 9.135] that  $\delta = y - s_y^2 < 4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y$ . As  $4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y \leq (\delta / (4 \cdot s_y)) \cdot 4 \cdot s_y = \delta$  giving the contradiction  $\delta < \delta$ . So this case does not occur.

**$0 < s_y^2 - y$ .** Take then  $\delta = s_y^2 - y$  then  $0 < \delta$ . Take  $\varepsilon = \min(\delta / (4 \cdot s_y), \varepsilon_0)$  then we have as  $0 < 4 \cdot s_y, \varepsilon_0$  by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] that  $0 < \varepsilon$  and  $\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0 < s_y$  so we have by [eq: 9.134] that  $\delta = s_y^2 - y < 4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y$ . As  $4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y \leq (\delta / (4 \cdot s_y)) \cdot 4 \cdot s_y = \delta$  giving the contradiction  $\delta < \delta$ . So this case does not occur.

**$s_y^2 - y = 0$ .** Then  $y = s_y^2$

So the only valid case is where  $y = s_y^2$ , so if we take  $x = s_y$  then  $x^2 = y$ .

In all cases we have found a  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $y = x^2 = (.)^2(x)$  which proves surjectivity.  $\square$

**Definition 9.91. (Square Root)** Using the previous theorem [theorem: 9.90] we have that

$$(.)^2: \mathbb{R}_0^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+ \text{ defined by } (.)^2(x) = x \cdot x$$

is a bijection so that we have an inverse bijection

$$((.)^{-1}): \mathbb{R}_0^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$$

this inverse is called the square root mapping and noted by

$$\sqrt{\cdot}: \mathbb{R}_0^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+ \text{ where } \sqrt{\cdot} = ((.)^2)^{-1}$$

Hence if  $x \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  then  $\sqrt{(x^2)} = (\sqrt{\cdot} \circ (\cdot)^2)(x) = i_{\mathbb{R}_0^2}(x) = x$  and  $(\sqrt{x})^2 = ((\cdot)^2 \circ \sqrt{\cdot})(x) = i_{\mathbb{R}_0^+}(x)$

**Note 9.92.** The requirement that  $x \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  in the above is required for if  $(\cdot)^2: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is not injective as we have for example  $(1)^2 - 1 = (-1)^2$

**Note 9.93.** As  $2 \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$   $\sqrt{2}$  exist however  $\sqrt{2} \notin \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  so that  $\sqrt{2} \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  or  $\sqrt{2}$  is a irrational number.

**Proof.** Assume that  $\sqrt{2} \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$ , as by [theorem: 9.57]  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a ring isomorphism there exist a  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(q) = \sqrt{2}$ , hence:

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(q \cdot q) &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(q) \cdot i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(q) \\ &= \sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{2} \\ &= 2 \\ &= 1 + 1 \\ &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(1) + i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(1) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(1 + 1) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(2) \end{aligned}$$

so that by injectivity we have that  $q \cdot q = 2$  which by [theorem: 8.41] is impossible.  $\square$

**Theorem 9.94.**  $\sqrt{\cdot}: \mathbb{R}_0^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$  is strictly increasing

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction. Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  be such that  $x < y$  and assume that  $\sqrt{y} \leq \sqrt{x}$ , then as  $\sqrt{x}, \sqrt{y} \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  we can use [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] getting  $y = \sqrt{y} \cdot \sqrt{y} \leq \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y}$  and  $\sqrt{y} \cdot \sqrt{x} \leq \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{x} = x$ , so  $y \leq x$  contradicting  $x < y$ . Hence we must have that  $\sqrt{x} < \sqrt{y}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 9.95.** If  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  then we have

1.  $x^2 = a \Leftrightarrow x = \sqrt{a} \vee x = -\sqrt{a}$
2.  $x^2 \leq a \Leftrightarrow -\sqrt{a} \leq x \leq \sqrt{a}$
3.  $x^2 < a \Leftrightarrow -\sqrt{a} < x < \sqrt{a}$

**Proof.**

1.

$\Rightarrow$ . For  $x$  we have either:

$0 \leq x$ . Then by [definition: 9.91] we have  $x = \sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{a}$

$x < 0$ . Then  $0 < -x$  and  $(-x)^2 = x^2 = a$  so that by [definition: 9.91] that  $-x = \sqrt{(-x)^2} = \sqrt{a}$  giving  $x = -\sqrt{a}$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $x = \sqrt{a}$  then  $x^2 = (\sqrt{a})^2 = a$  and if  $x = -\sqrt{a}$  we have  $x^2 = (-\sqrt{a})^2 = (\sqrt{a})^2 = a$

2.

$\Rightarrow$ . For  $x$  we have either

$0 \leq x$ . As  $0 \leq \sqrt{a}$  it follows that  $-\sqrt{a} \leq 0 \leq x$ . Further assume that  $\sqrt{a} < x$  then by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] and  $0 \leq \sqrt{a}, x$  we have  $a = (\sqrt{a})^2 < x^2$  contradicting  $x^2 \leq a$ , so we must have  $x \leq \sqrt{a}$ . So  $-\sqrt{a} \leq x \leq \sqrt{a}$ .

$x < 0$ . Then as  $0 \leq \sqrt{a} \Rightarrow -\sqrt{a} \leq 0$  we have  $x < \sqrt{a}$ . Further assume that  $\sqrt{a} < -x$  we have by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] and  $0 \leq \sqrt{a}, -x$  that  $a = (\sqrt{a})^2 < (-x)^2 = x^2$  contradicting  $x^2 \leq a$ , hence  $-x \leq \sqrt{a}$  or  $-\sqrt{a} \leq x$ . So  $-\sqrt{a} \leq x < \sqrt{a} \Rightarrow -\sqrt{a} \leq x \leq \sqrt{a}$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . For  $x$  we have either

$0 \leq x$ . Then from  $x \leq \sqrt{a}$  and  $0 \leq \sqrt{a}$  we have by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] that  $x^2 \leq (\sqrt{a})^2 = a$ .

$x < 0$ . Then from  $-\sqrt{a} \leq x \Rightarrow -x \leq \sqrt{a}$  and  $0 \leq \sqrt{a}, -x$  we have by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] that  $x^2 = (-x)^2 \leq (\sqrt{a})^2 = a$ .

3.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $x = \sqrt{a}$  or  $x = -\sqrt{a}$  then by (1)  $x^2 = a$  contradicting  $x^2 < a$  hence we must have that  $x \neq \sqrt{a}$  and  $x \neq -\sqrt{a}$ . Using (2) we have that  $-\sqrt{a} \leq x \leq \sqrt{a}$  so that  $-\sqrt{a} < x < \sqrt{a}$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . As  $-\sqrt{a} < x < \sqrt{a}$  we have  $x \neq \sqrt{a}$  and  $x \neq -\sqrt{a}$  so that by (1)  $x^2 \neq a$ , further by (2) we have  $x^2 \leq a$  so that  $x^2 < a$ .  $\square$

**Note 9.96.** By [theorem: 9.38] we have  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  that  $x \cdot y \in \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $x + y \in \mathbb{R}^+$  so that the following two theorems make sense.

**Theorem 9.97.** If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  then  $\sqrt{x \cdot y} = \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y}$

**Proof.** As  $(\sqrt{x \cdot y})^2 = x \cdot y = (\sqrt{x})^2 \cdot (\sqrt{y})^2 = (\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y})^2$  we have by the fact that  $(\cdot)^2: \mathbb{R}_0^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$  is a bijection and thus injective so we have  $\sqrt{x \cdot y} = \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y}$   $\square$

**Theorem 9.98.** Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  then  $\sqrt{x + y} \leq \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}$

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction, so assume that  $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} < \sqrt{x + y}$ . Then by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] we have that  $(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y})^2 < (\sqrt{x + y})^2 = x + y$ . Now

$$(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y})^2 = (\sqrt{x})^2 + (\sqrt{y})^2 + 2 \cdot \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y} = x + y + 2 \cdot \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y}$$

so that we have that  $x + y + 2 \cdot \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y} < x + y$  or  $2 \cdot \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y} < 0$  giving

$$\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y} < 0$$

As  $0 \leq \sqrt{x}$  and  $0 \leq \sqrt{y}$  we have by [theorem: 9.38] that  $0 \leq \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y}$  contradicting the above. So we must have that  $\sqrt{x + y} \leq \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}$   $\square$

Note that  $\sqrt{\cdot}: \mathbb{R}_0^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$  is a bijection between non negative real numbers, one reason for this is that the square root of non negative numbers is not defined. For example for  $\sqrt{-1}$  we must have by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73] that  $0 \leq (\sqrt{-1})^2 = -1$  a contradiction. This will be solved by extending the real numbers to the complex numbers.



## Chapter 10

### The complex numbers

Note that to avoid having to use different symbols for neutral elements, inverse elements, sum, product etc. we use `ctxt` to derive the meaning of the different symbols.

Context	Expression	Operator
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n+m$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n \cdot m$	product in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n \leq m$	order in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n < m$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n - m$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n + 0$ or $0 + n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$n \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$-n$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n+m$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n \cdot m$	product in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \cdot \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n \leq m$	order in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n < m$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle$
$n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n - m$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, - \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n + 0$ or $0 + n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$n \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot n$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \cdot \rangle$
$n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$-n$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q+r$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q \cdot r$	product in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \cdot \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q \leq r$	order in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q < r$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$
$q, e \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q - r$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, - \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q/r$	division in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \cdot \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q + 0$ or $0 + q$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{Q}$	$q \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot q$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \cdot \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{Q}$	$-q$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{R}$	$q+r$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{R}$	$q \cdot r$	product in $\langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{R}$	$q \leq r$	order in $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{R}$	$q < r$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$
$q, e \in \mathbb{R}$	$q - r$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{R}, - \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{R}$	$q/r$	division in $\langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{R}$	$q + 0$ or $0 + q$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{R}$	$q \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot q$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{R}$	$-q$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{C}$	$q+r$	sum in $\langle \mathbb{C}, + \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{C}$	$q \cdot r$	product in $\langle \mathbb{C}, \cdot \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{C}$	$q \leq r$	order in $\langle \mathbb{C}, \leq \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{C}$	$q < r$	strict order in $\langle \mathbb{C}, \leq \rangle$
$q, e \in \mathbb{C}$	$q - r$	subtraction in $\langle \mathbb{C}, - \rangle$
$q, r \in \mathbb{C}$	$q/r$	division in $\langle \mathbb{C}, \cdot \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{C}$	$q + 0$ or $0 + q$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{C}, + \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{C}$	$q \cdot 1$ or $1 \cdot q$	neutral element in $\langle \mathbb{C}, \cdot \rangle$
$q \in \mathbb{C}$	$-q$	inverse element in $\langle \mathbb{C}, + \rangle$

## 10.1 Definition and arithmetics

**Definition 10.1.** The space  $\mathbb{C}$  of complex numbers together with two operators  $+: \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  and  $\cdot: \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is defined as follows

1.  $\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} = \{(x, y) | x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$

2.  $+: \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  where  $(x, y) + (x', y') = (x + x', y + y')$
3.  $\cdot: \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  where  $(x, y) \cdot (x', y') = (x \cdot x' - y \cdot y', x \cdot y' + x' \cdot y)$

Just as  $\langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a field we have that  $\langle \mathbb{C}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a field.

**Theorem 10.2.**  $\langle \mathbb{C}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a field where

1. The additive neutral element is  $(0, 0)$
2. The multiplicative neutral element is  $(1, 0)$
3. The additive inverse element of  $(x, y) = (-x, -y)$
4. The multiplicative inverse element for  $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$  is

$$(x/(x^2 + y^2), -y/(x^2 + y^2))$$

As usual we use the following notation convention based on context:

1. The additive neutral element is noted as  $0$
2. The multiplicative neutral element is noted as  $1$
3. The additive inverse of  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  is noted as  $-z$
4. The multiplicative inverse of  $x \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  is noted as  $x^{-1}$

**Proof.** First we prove that  $\langle \mathbb{C}, + \rangle$  is a Abelian group:

**associativity.** If  $(x, y), (x', y'), (x'', y'') \in \mathbb{C}$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y) + ((x', y') + (x'', y'')) &= (x, y) + (x' + x'', y' + y'') \\ &= (x + (x' + x''), y + (y' + y'')) \\ &= ((x + x') + x'', (y + y') + y'') \\ &= (x + x', y + y') + (x'', y'') \\ &= ((x, y) + (x', y')) + (x'', y'') \end{aligned}$$

**commutativity.** If  $(x, y), (x', y') \in \mathbb{C}$  then

$$(x, y) + (x', y') = (x + x', y + y') = (x' + x, y' + y) = (x', y') + (x, y)$$

**neutral element.** If  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y) + (0, 0) &\stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} (0, 0) + (x, y) \\ &= (0 + x, 0 + y) \\ &= (x, y) \end{aligned}$$

**inverse element.** If  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y) + (-x, -y) &= (-x, -y) + (x, y) \\ &= ((-x) + x, (-y) + y) \\ &= (0, 0) \end{aligned}$$

Next we prove the rest of the axioms for a field for the multiplication

**associativity.** If  $(x, y), (x', y'), (x'', y'') \in \mathbb{C}$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y) \cdot ((x', y') \cdot (x'', y'')) &= \\
 (x, y) \cdot (x' \cdot x'' - y' \cdot y'', x' \cdot y'' + x'' \cdot y') &= \\
 (x \cdot (x' \cdot x'' - y' \cdot y'') - y \cdot (x' \cdot y'' + x'' \cdot y'), x \cdot (x' \cdot y'' + x'' \cdot y') + y \cdot (x' \cdot x'' - y' \cdot y'')) &= \\
 (x \cdot (x' \cdot x'') - x \cdot (y' \cdot y'') - y \cdot (x' \cdot y'') - y \cdot (x'' \cdot y'), x \cdot (x' \cdot y'') + x \cdot (x'' \cdot y') + y \cdot (x' \cdot x'') - y \cdot (y' \cdot y'')) &= \\
 \left( \underbrace{(x \cdot x') \cdot x''}_1 - \underbrace{(x \cdot y') \cdot y''}_2 - \underbrace{(y \cdot x') \cdot y''}_2 - \underbrace{(y \cdot y') \cdot x''}_1, \underbrace{(x \cdot x') \cdot y''}_3 + \right. & \\
 \left. \underbrace{(x \cdot y') \cdot x''}_4 + \underbrace{(y \cdot x') \cdot x''}_3 - \underbrace{(y \cdot y') \cdot y''}_3 \right) &= \\
 \left( \underbrace{(x \cdot x' - y \cdot y') \cdot x''}_1 - \underbrace{(x \cdot y' + y \cdot y') \cdot y''}_2, \underbrace{(x \cdot x' - y \cdot y') \cdot y''}_3 + \underbrace{(x \cdot y' + y \cdot x') \cdot x''}_4 \right) &= \\
 (x \cdot x' - y \cdot y', x \cdot y' + y \cdot y', (x'', y'')) &= \\
 ((x, y) \cdot (x', y')) \cdot (x'', y'') &=
 \end{aligned}$$

**commutativity.** If  $(x, y), (x', y') \in \mathbb{C}$  then

$$(x, y) \cdot (x', y') = (x \cdot x' - y \cdot y', x \cdot y' + y \cdot x') = (x' \cdot x - y' \cdot y, y' \cdot x + y \cdot x') = (x', y') \cdot (x, y)$$

**neutral element.** If  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y) \cdot (1, 0) &\stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} (1, 0) \cdot (x, y) \\
 &= (1 \cdot x + 0 \cdot y, 1 \cdot y + 0 \cdot x) \\
 &= (x, y)
 \end{aligned}$$

**inverse element.** Let  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$  then  $x \neq 0 \vee y \neq 0$  so that by [theorems: 9.45, 4.73]  $0 < x^2 \vee 0 < y^2$  we have that  $0 < x^2 + y^2$  so that  $(x^2 + y^2) \neq 0$  hence  $(x / (x^2 + y^2), -y / (x^2 + y^2))$  is well defined. Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y) \cdot (x / (x^2 + y^2), -y / (x^2 + y^2)) &\stackrel{\text{commutativity}}{=} \\
 (x / (x^2 + y^2), -y / (x^2 + y^2)) \cdot (x, y) &= \\
 (x^2 / (x^2 + y^2) + y^2 / (x^2 + y^2), x \cdot y / (x^2 + y^2) + (-y) \cdot x / (x^2 + y^2)) &= \\
 ((x^2 + y^2) / (x^2 + y^2), (x \cdot y - y \cdot x) / (x^2 + y^2)) &= \\
 (1, 0) &=
 \end{aligned}$$

**distributivity.** If  $(x, y), (x', y'), (x'', y'') \in \mathbb{C}$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y) \cdot ((x', y') + (x'', y'')) &= (x, y) \cdot (x' + x'', y' + y'') \\
 &= (x \cdot (x' + x'') - y \cdot (y' + y''), x \cdot (y' + y'') + y \cdot (x' + x'')) \\
 &= (x \cdot x' + x \cdot x'' - y \cdot y' - y \cdot y'', x \cdot y' + x \cdot y'' + y \cdot x' + y \cdot x'') \\
 &= ((x \cdot x' - y \cdot y') + (x \cdot x'' - y \cdot y''), (x \cdot y' + y \cdot x') + (x \cdot y'' + y \cdot x'')) \\
 &= (x \cdot x' - y \cdot y', x \cdot y' + y \cdot x') + (x \cdot x'' - y \cdot y'', x \cdot y'' + y \cdot x'') \\
 &= (x, y) \cdot (x', y') + (x, y) \cdot (x'', y'')
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Just as with the integers, rationals and real numbers we introduce the following shorthand notation.

**Notation 10.3.** If  $x, y \in \mathbb{C}$  then we have the following notation conventions:

1.  $x + (-)$  is noted as  $x - y$



2. If  $y \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  then  $x \cdot y^{-1}$  is noted as  $x/y$  and  $y^{-1}$  is noted as  $1/y$

A important operation on the set of real numbers is the complex conjugation.

**Definition 10.4.** If  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  then  $\bar{z} = (y, x)$  where  $z = (x, y)$

## 10.2 Embedding of $\mathbb{N}_0, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}$ and $\mathbb{R}$ in $\mathbb{C}$

### 10.2.1 Embeddings

**Definition 10.5.** We define  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}, \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}, \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{C}}$  as follows

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} &= \{(x, 0) | x \in \mathbb{R}\} \\ \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} &= \{(x, 0) | x \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}\} \\ \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} &= \{(x, 0) | x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}\} \\ \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} &= \{(x, 0) | x \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}\}\end{aligned}$$

It turns out that  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}, \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}, \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{C}}$  are embeddings of  $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{N}$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ ,

**Theorem 10.6.** We have that

1.  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is a subfield of  $\langle \mathbb{C}, +, \cdot \rangle$  and

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ defined by } i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(r) = (r, 0)$$

is a field isomorphism.

2.  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is a subfield of  $\langle \mathbb{C}, +, \cdot \rangle$  and if we define  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}$  then

$$i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a field isomorphism}$$

3.  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is a subring of  $\langle \mathbb{C}, +, \cdot \rangle$  and if we define  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}$  then

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a field isomorphism}$$

4.  $\mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle \mathbb{C}, + \rangle$  and if we define  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}$  then

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}, + \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

5.  $\mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  is a sub semi-group of  $\langle \mathbb{C}, \cdot \rangle$  and if we define  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}$  then

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

6.  $\mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$

7.  $\mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}, \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  are denumerable

**Proof.**

1. If  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then  $\exists x' \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x = (x', 0) = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x') \in i_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{R})$ . Also if  $x \in i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{R})$  then  $\exists x' \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x = i_{\mathbb{R}}(x') = (x', 0) \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$ . So we have that

$$\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{R}) \tag{10.1}$$

Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  then we have

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x + y) = (x + y, 0) = (x, 0) + (y, 0) = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x) + i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(y)$$

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x \cdot y) = (x \cdot y, 0) = (x \cdot y - 0 \cdot 0, x \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot y) = (x, 0) \cdot (y, 0) = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x) \cdot i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(y)$$

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(1) = (1, 0) = 1$$

proving that

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{C}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a field homeomorphism} \quad (10.2)$$

As  $\langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a field we can use [theorem: 4.70] together with the above proving that  $i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{R})$  is a subfield of  $\langle \mathbb{C}, +, \cdot \rangle$ . Combining this with [eq: 10.1] gives

$$\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \text{ is a subfield of } \langle \mathbb{C}, +, \cdot \rangle$$

Further if  $i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x) = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(y)$  then  $(x, 0) = (y, 0)$  proving that  $x = y$  hence

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \text{ is injective}$$

so that  $i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{R}) \stackrel{[\text{eq: 10.1}]}{=} \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is a bijection. Hence we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a field isomorphism} \quad (10.3)$$

2. By [theorem: 9.37] we have that

$$\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a subfield of } \langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ and } i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a field isomorphism} \quad (10.4)$$

Using then the above together with [eq: 10.3] we have by [theorem: 4.71] that

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Q})) \text{ is a subfield of } \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot \rangle \quad (10.5)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Q})), +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a field isomorphism} \quad (10.6)$$

Now if  $x \in i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Q})) \exists x' \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $x = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x')) = (i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x'), 0)$ , using [eq: 10.4] we have that  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x') \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  so that  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$ . Also if  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then there exist a  $x' \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x = (x', 0) = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x')$ , using [eq: 10.4] there exists a  $x'' \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $x' = i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x'')$  so that  $x = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x'')) \in i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Q}))$ . Hence we have that

$$\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Q}))$$

which combined with [eqs: 10.5, 10.6] proves that

$$\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} \text{ is a subfield of } \langle \mathbb{C}, +, \cdot \rangle$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a field isomorphism}$$

3. By [theorem: 9.57] we have that

$$\langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a subring of } \langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ and } i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a field isomorphism} \quad (10.7)$$

Using then the above together with [eq: 10.3] we have by [theorem: 4.48] that

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Z})) \text{ is a subring of } \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot \rangle \quad (10.8)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Z})), +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a ring isomorphism} \quad (10.9)$$

Now if  $x \in i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Z})) \exists x' \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $x = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x')) = (i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x'), 0)$ , using [eq: 10.7] we have that  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x') \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  so that  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$ . Also if  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then there exist a  $x' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x = (x', 0) = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x')$ , using [eq: 10.7] there exists a  $x'' \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $x' = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x'')$  so that  $x = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x'')) \in i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Z}))$ . Hence we have that

$$\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Z}))$$

which combined with [eqs: 10.8, 10.9] proves that

$$\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \text{ is a subfield of } \langle \mathbb{C}, +, \cdot \rangle$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a ring isomorphism}$$

4. By [theorem: 9.60] we have that

$$\langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle \text{ is a sub semi-group of } \langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle \text{ and } i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism} \quad (10.10)$$

Using then the above together with [eq: 10.3] we have by [theorem: 4.48] that

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}+0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{N}_0)) \text{ is a sub semi-group of } \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, + \rangle \quad (10.11)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{N}_0)), + \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism} \quad (10.12)$$

Now if  $x \in i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{N}_0)) \exists x' \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $x = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x')) = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x'), 0)$ , using [eq: 10.10] we have that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x') \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  so that  $x \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$ . Also if  $x \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  then there exist a  $x' \in \mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x = (x', 0) = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x')$ , using [eq: 10.10] there exists a  $x'' \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $x' = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x'')$  so that  $x = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x'')) \in i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{N}_0))$ . Hence we have that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{N}_0))$$

which combined with [eqs: 10.11, 10.12] proves that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \text{ is a subfield of } \langle \mathbb{C}, + \rangle$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}, + \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

5. By [theorem: 9.60] we have that

$$\langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a sub semi-group of } \langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot \rangle \text{ and } i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism} \quad (10.13)$$

Using then the above together with [eq: 10.3] we have by [theorem: 4.48] that

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}+0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{N}_0)) \text{ is a sub semi-group of } \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \cdot \rangle \quad (10.14)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{N}_0)), \cdot \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism} \quad (10.15)$$

Now if  $x \in i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{N}_0)) \exists x' \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $x = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x')) = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x'), 0)$ , using [eq: 10.13] we have that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x') \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  so that  $x \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$ . Also if  $x \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  then there exist a  $x' \in \mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x = (x', 0) = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x')$ , using [eq: 10.13] there exists a  $x'' \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $x' = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x'')$  so that  $x = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(x'')) \in i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{N}_0))$ . Hence we have that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{N}_0))$$

which combined with [eqs: 10.14, 10.15] proves that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \text{ is a subfield of } \langle \mathbb{C}, \cdot \rangle$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism}$$

6. By [theorem: 9.61]  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  so that

$$\{(x, 0) | x \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}\} \subseteq \{(x, 0) | x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}\} \subseteq \{(x, 0) | x \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}\} \subseteq \{(x, 0) | x \in \mathbb{R}\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$$

proving that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$$

7. Using (2),(3) and (4) we have that  $\mathbb{Q} \approx \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z} \approx \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  and  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$ , further by [theorems: 7.53 and 8.45] we have that  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{Q}$ . So  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$ ,  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  and  $\mathbb{N}_0 \approx \mathbb{Q}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 10.7.**  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} = \{n/m | n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \wedge m \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \{0\}\}$  where  $n/m$  is a shorthand for  $n \cdot m^{-1}$  [see notation: 10.3]

**Proof.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then by definition there exists a  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x = (q, 0) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 10.6}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(q)$ . Using then [theorem: 9.62] we have  $q = n \cdot m^{-1}$  where  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \setminus \{0\}$ . So we have

$$\begin{aligned} x &= i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(q) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n \cdot m^{-1}) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n) \cdot i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(m^{-1}) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.70}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n) \cdot (i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(m))^{-1} \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 10.6}]}{=} (n, 0) \cdot (m, 0)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

which, as by definition of  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$   $(n, 0) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  and  $(m, 0) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \{0\}$ , proves that  $x \in \{n/m | n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \wedge m \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \{0\}\}$ . Hence

$$\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \{n/m | n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \wedge m \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \{0\}\} \quad (10.16)$$

If  $x \in \{n/m | n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \wedge m \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \{0\}\}$  then there exists  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  and  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $x = n \cdot m^{-1}$ . So there exists  $n' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $m' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}} \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $n = (n', 0)$  and  $m = (m', 0)$ . Now by [theorem: 9.62]  $n' \cdot m'^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  so that  $(n' \cdot m'^{-1}, 0) \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$ . As

$$\begin{aligned} (n' \cdot m'^{-1}, 0) &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 10.6}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n' \cdot m'^{-1}) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n') \cdot i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(m'^{-1}) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.70}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n') \cdot (i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(m'))^{-1} \\ &= n \cdot m^{-1} \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$ . Hence  $\{n/m | n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \wedge m \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \{0\}\} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  which combined with [eq: 10.16]

$$\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} = \{n/m | n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \wedge m \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \{0\}\} \quad \square$$

### 10.2.2 Order relation

As  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered by [theorem: 9.43] we could use [theorem: 3.36] to define a lexical order on  $\mathbb{C}$ . However we can't guarantee  $\langle \mathbb{C}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a ordered field. The proof is by contradiction, so assume that  $\langle \mathbb{C}, +, \cdot, \leq \rangle$  then by [theorem: 4.73]

1. If  $x < y$  then  $x + z < y + z$
2. If  $x < y$  and  $0 < z$  then  $x \cdot z < y \cdot z$

Now for  $i = (0, 1)$  we have that  $i \cdot i = (0, 1) \cdot (0, 1) = (0 \cdot 0 - 1 \cdot 1, 0 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 0) = (-1, 0) = -1$  and as  $\langle \mathbb{C}, \leq \rangle$  must be totally ordered we have for  $i$  either:

- $0 < i$ . Then by (2)  $0 < i \cdot i = -1$  so that  $0 < -1$ , hence by (1) we have  $1 = 0 + 1 < 1 + (-1) = 0$  or  $1 < 0$ . But then by (2) we have  $i = 1 \cdot i < 0 \cdot i = i$  or  $i < 0$  contradicting  $0 > i$ .
- $i < 0$ . Then by (1) we have that  $0 = i + (-i) < (-i)$  so that  $0 < -i$ . Hence using (2) we have that  $0 < (-i) \cdot (-i) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} i \cdot i = -1$  or  $0 < -1$  but then by (2)  $1 = 0 + 1 < (-1) + 1 < 0$  or  $1 < 0$ . But then by (2) we have  $-i = 1 \cdot (-i) < 0 \cdot (-i) = 0$  or  $-i < 0$  contradicting that we found that  $0 < -i$ .

However we can still have a order relation on the subfield  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  that satisfies (1) and (2) as will be showed in the following.

**Definition 10.8.** The relation  $\leq_{\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \times \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is defined by

$$\leq = \{((x, 0), (y, 0)) \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \mid x \leq y\}$$

Note: that in  $x \leq y$  we use the order of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$

**Theorem 10.9.** Using the above order relation we have that

1.  $\langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is a totally ordered set
2.  $i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is a order isomorphism

**Proof.**

1. We have

**reflexivity.** If  $(x, 0) \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then as  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered we have  $x \leq x$  so that  $(x, 0) \leq (x, 0)$

**anti symmetry.** If  $(x, 0) \leq (y, 0) \wedge (y, 0) \leq (x, 0)$  then  $x \leq y \wedge y \leq x$  which, as  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered, proves that  $x = y$  hence  $(x, 0) = (y, 0)$ .

**transitivity.** If  $(x, 0) \leq (y, 0) \wedge (y, 0) \leq (z, 0)$  then  $x \leq y \wedge y \leq z$  which, as  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered, proves that  $x \leq z$ , hence  $(x, 0) \leq (z, 0)$

**totally order.** If  $(x, 0), (y, 0) \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then we have as  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered that either  $x \leq y \Rightarrow (x, 0) \leq (y, 0)$  or  $y \leq x \Rightarrow (y, 0) \leq (x, 0)$ .

2. First by [theorem:10.6]  $i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is a bijection and second

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}}(x) \leq i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(y) &\Leftrightarrow (x, 0) \leq (y, 0) \\ &\stackrel{\text{definition}}{\Leftrightarrow} x \leq y \\ &\square \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 10.10.** We have that

1.  $i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is a order isomorphism
2.  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is a order isomorphism
3.  $i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is a order isomorphism
4.  $i_{\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is a order isomorphism

**Proof.**

1. Using [theorem: 10.6] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \text{ defined by } i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\alpha) = (\alpha, 0) \text{ is a bijection}$$

Further if  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} x \leq y &\Leftrightarrow (x, 0) \leq (y, 0) \\ &\Leftrightarrow i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x) \leq i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(y) \end{aligned}$$

2. Using (1) and [theorem: 9.49] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \text{ and } i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle \text{ are order isomorphisms}$$

so using [theorem 3.51]

$$i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Q})), \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

As by [theorem: 10.6]  $i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Q})) = \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

3. Using (1) and [theorem: 9.57] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \text{ and } i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle \text{ are order isomorphisms}$$

so using [theorem 3.51]

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Z})), \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

As by [theorem: 10.6]  $i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Z})) = \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

4. Using (1) and [theorem: 9.60] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \text{ and } i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}, \leq \rangle \text{ are order isomorphisms}$$

so using [theorem 3.51]

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{N}_0)), \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

As by [theorem: 10.6]  $i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{N}_0)) = \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism} \quad \square$$

**Corollary 10.11.** *We have  $0, 1 \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $0 < 1$*

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 10.6] we have that  $i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(0) = 0$  and  $i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(1) = 1$  which as in  $\mathbb{R}$   $0 < 1$  proves that  $i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(0) < i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(1)$   $\square$

We use now the order isomorphism and field isomorphism to transfer the properties of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  and  $\langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle$  to  $\langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  and  $\langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot \rangle$ .

**Definition 10.12.** *Using the above order relation we can define  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}^+$ ,  $\mathbb{R}_{0, \mathbb{C}}^+$ ,  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}^-$  and  $\mathbb{R}_{0, \mathbb{C}}^-$  by*

1.  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}^+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} | 0 < x\}$
2.  $\mathbb{R}_{0, \mathbb{C}}^+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} | 0 \leq x\}$
3.  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}^- = \{x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} | x < 0\}$
4.  $\mathbb{R}_{0, \mathbb{C}}^- = \{x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} | x \leq 0\}$

**Theorem 10.13.**  *$\langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot, \leq \rangle$  is a ordered field*

**Proof.** Using [theorems: 10.6, 10.10] we have that

$$\langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a ordered field}$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism} \quad (10.17)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a field isomorphism} \quad (10.18)$$

Then we have

1. If  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $x < y$  then  $\exists \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\alpha)$ ,  $y = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\beta)$  and  $z = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\gamma)$ . As  $x < y \Rightarrow i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\alpha) < i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\beta)$  we have by [eq: 10.17] that  $\alpha < \beta$ . By [theorem: 9.45] we have that  $\alpha + \gamma < \beta + \gamma$ . Using then [eqs: 10.17, 10.18] we have that

$$\begin{aligned} x + z &= i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\alpha) + i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\gamma) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\alpha + \gamma) \\ &< i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\beta + \gamma) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\beta) + i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\gamma) \\ &= y + z \end{aligned}$$

proving that

$$x + z < y + z$$

2. If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $0 < x$  and  $0 < y$  then there exist  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\alpha)$  and  $y = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\beta)$ . As  $0 < x$  and  $0 < y$  we have by [eq: 10.17] that  $0 < \alpha$  and  $0 < \beta$ , using [theorem: 9.45] it follows that  $0 < \alpha \cdot \beta$ . Using then [eqs: 10.17, 10.18] we have that

$$0 = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(0) < i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\alpha \cdot \beta) = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\alpha \cdot \beta) = i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\alpha) \cdot i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\beta) = x \cdot y$$

proving that

$$0 < x \cdot y$$

□

As  $\langle \mathbb{R}, +, \cdot, \leq \rangle$  is a ordered field we have automatically the following properties:

**Theorem 10.14.** For  $\langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot, \leq \rangle$  we have

1.  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow x + z < y + z$
2.  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow x + z \leq y + z$
3.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow 0 < y + (-x)$
4.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow 0 \leq y + (-x)$
5.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow -y < -x$
6.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow -y \leq -x$
7.  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $0 < z$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow x \cdot z < y \cdot z$
8.  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $0 < z$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow x \cdot z \leq y \cdot z$
9.  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $0 \leq z$  and  $x \leq y$  we have  $x \cdot z \leq y \cdot z$
10.  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $z < 0$  we have  $x < y \Leftrightarrow y \cdot z < x \cdot z$
11.  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $z < 0$  we have  $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow y \cdot z \leq x \cdot z$
12.  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $z \leq 0$  and  $x \leq y$  we have  $y \cdot z \leq x \cdot z$
13.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have  $0 \leq x \cdot x \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} x^2$ , further if  $0 \neq x$  then  $0 < x \cdot x = x^2$
14.  $0 \leq 1$  [actual by [corollary: 10.11] we have  $0 < 1$ ]
15.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $0 < x < y$  we have that  $x^2 < y^2$  where  $x^2 = x \cdot x$  and  $y^2 = y \cdot y$
16.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $0 \leq x \leq y$  we have that  $x^2 \leq y^2$  where  $x^2 = x \cdot x$  and  $y^2 = y \cdot y$
17.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $0 < x$  we have  $0 < x^{-1}$
18.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have  $0 < x < y \Leftrightarrow 0 < y^{-1} < x^{-1}$
19.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have  $0 < x \leq y \Leftrightarrow 0 < y^{-1} \leq x^{-1}$
20.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $0 < x < 1$  we have  $1 < x^{-1}$
21.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $0 < x \leq 1$  we have  $1 \leq x^{-1}$

**Proof.** This follows from [theorem: 4.73]

□

**Corollary 10.15.** If  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then we have

1.  $x < x + 1$
2.  $x - 1 < x$

**Proof.**

1. As  $0 < 1$  [see corollary: 10.11] we have  $z = 0 + x < 1 + x = x + 1$  [see theorem: 10.14].
2. From (1) we have  $x < x + 1$  so that  $x - 1 = x + (-1) < (x + 1) + (-1) = x$  [see theorem: 10.14]. □

**Theorem 10.16.**  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is not conditional complete.

**Proof.** Using [theorems: 10.6 and 3.54] we have that

$$(i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}: \langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

Assume that  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete then by the above and [theorem: 3.77]  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete, contradiction the fact that by [theorem: 8.42]  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  is not conditional complete. So the assumption is wrong and  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is not conditional complete.  $\square$

**Theorem 10.17.**  $\langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete [definition: 3.74] in other words

$\forall S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $S \neq \emptyset$  such that  $\exists v \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\forall \alpha \in S$  we have  $\alpha \leq v$  we have that  $\sup(S)$  exist

Using [theorem: 3.75] this is equivalent with

$\forall S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $S \neq \emptyset$  such that  $\exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\forall \alpha \in S$  we have  $\lambda \leq \alpha$  we have that  $\inf(S)$  exist

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 10.6] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

and by [theorem: 9.51]  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete. Hence by [theorem: 3.77]

$$\langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is conditional complete} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 10.18.**  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered [definition: 3.78]

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 10.10] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \cdot}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism}$$

As by [theorems: 5.51]  $\langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered we have by the above and [theorem: 3.79] that  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is well ordered.  $\square$

**Corollary 10.19. (Irrational numbers)**  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} \subset \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  so that  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} \neq \emptyset$ . The set  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  is called the set of **irrational numbers**.

**Proof.** By [theorem: 10.16]  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is not conditional complete. Hence there exists a non empty  $S \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with a upper bound such that  $\{u \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} | u \text{ is a upper bound of } S\}$  has no least element. As  $\langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete we have that  $s = \min(\{u \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} | u \text{ is a upper bound of } S\})$  exist. Assume now that  $s \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then if  $u \in \{u \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} | u \text{ is a upper bound of } S\}$  we have, as  $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have that  $u \in \{u \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} | u \text{ is a upper bound of } S\}$  so that  $u \leq s$ . Hence  $s$  is a least element of  $\{u \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} | u \text{ is a upper bound of } S\}$  contradicting the fact that  $\{u \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} | u \text{ is a upper bound of } S\}$  has no least element. So  $s \notin \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  or  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} \neq \emptyset$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 10.20.** Let  $S, T \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $S \neq \emptyset \neq T$  then for

$$S + T = \{\alpha + \beta | \alpha \in S \wedge \beta \in T\}$$

we have

1. If  $\sup(S), \sup(T)$  exists then  $\sup(S + T)$  exist and  $\sup(S + T) = \sup(S) + \sup(T)$
2. If  $\inf(S), \inf(T)$  exists then  $\inf(S + T)$  exist and  $\inf(S + T) = \inf(S) + \inf(T)$

**Proof.** First as  $S \neq \emptyset \neq T$  there exists  $s \in S$  and  $t \in T$  so that  $s + t \in S + T$  hence

$$S + T \neq \emptyset$$

1. Let  $q \in S + T$  then  $\exists s \in S$  and  $\exists t \in T$  such that  $q = s + t$ , as  $s \leq \sup(S)$  we have  $q = s + t \leq \sup(S) + t$ , further as  $t \leq \sup(T)$  it follows that  $\sup(S) + t \leq \sup(S) + \sup(T)$  giving  $q \leq \sup(S) + \sup(T)$ . So  $\sup(S) + \sup(T)$  is a upper bound of  $S + T$  which as  $S + T \neq \emptyset$  and  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete [see theorem: 10.17] proves that

$$\sup(S + T) \text{ exist and } \sup(S + T) \leq \sup(S) + \sup(T) \quad (10.19)$$



Assume now that  $\sup(S+T) < \sup(S) + \sup(T)$  then for  $\varepsilon = \sup(S) + \sup(T) - \sup(S+T)$  we have  $0 < \varepsilon$ . So  $-\varepsilon < 0$  and as  $0 < 2 \Rightarrow 0 < 2^{-1}$  we have that  $-(\varepsilon/2) < 0$ . So  $\sup(S) - \varepsilon/2 < \sup(S)$  and  $\sup(T) - \varepsilon/2 < \sup(T)$ . As  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered we have by [theorem: 3.68] that there exists  $s \in S$  and  $t \in T$  such that  $\sup(S) - \varepsilon/2 < s$  and  $\sup(T) - \varepsilon/2 < t$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} s+t &> \sup(S) - \varepsilon/2 + \sup(T) - \varepsilon/2 \\ &= \sup(S) + \sup(T) - (\varepsilon + \varepsilon)/2 \\ &= \sup(S) + \sup(T) - \varepsilon \\ &= \sup(S) + \sup(T) - \sup(S) - \sup(T) + \sup(S+T) \\ &= \sup(s+t) \end{aligned} \quad (10.20)$$

As  $s+t \in S+T$  we have that  $s+t \leq \sup(S+T)$  contradicting [eq: 10.20], so the assumption is wrong and we must have  $\sup(S) + \sup(T) \leq \sup(S+T)$  which combined with [eq: 10.19] proves that

$$\sup(S+T) = \sup(S) + \sup(T)$$

2. Let  $q \in S+T$  then  $\exists s \in S$  and  $\exists t \in T$  such that  $q = s+t$ , as  $\inf(S) \leq s$  we have  $\inf(S) + t \leq s+t = q$ , further as  $\inf(T) \leq t$  it follows that  $\inf(S) + \inf(T) \leq \inf(T) + t$  giving  $\sup(S) + \sup(T) \leq q$ . So  $\inf(S) + \inf(T)$  is a lower bound of  $S+T$  which as  $S+T \neq \emptyset$  and  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete [see theorem: 10.17] proves that

$$\inf(S+T) \text{ exist and } \inf(S) + \inf(T) \leq \inf(S+T) \quad (10.21)$$

Assume now that  $\inf(S) + \inf(T) < \inf(S+T)$  then for  $\varepsilon = \inf(S+T) - \inf(S) - \inf(T)$  we have  $0 < \varepsilon$ . As  $0 < 2 \Rightarrow 0 < 2^{-1}$  we have that  $0 < \varepsilon/2$ . So  $\inf(S) < \inf(S) + \varepsilon/2$  and  $\inf(T) < \inf(T) + \varepsilon/2$ . As  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered we have by [theorem: 3.68] that there exists  $s \in S$  and  $t \in T$  such that  $s < \inf(S) + \varepsilon/2$  and  $t < \inf(T) + \varepsilon/2$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} s+t &< \inf(S) + \varepsilon/2 + \inf(T) + \varepsilon/2 \\ &= \inf(S) + \inf(T) + \varepsilon \\ &= \inf(S) + \inf(T) + \inf(S+T) - \inf(S) - \inf(T) \\ &= \inf(S+T) \end{aligned} \quad (10.22)$$

As  $s+t \in S+T$  we have that  $\inf(S+T) \leq s+t$  contradicting [eq: 10.22], so the assumption is wrong and we must have  $\inf(S+T) \leq \inf(S) + \inf(T)$  which combined with [eq: 10.21] proves that

$$\inf(S+T) = \inf(S) + \inf(T) \quad \square$$

**Corollary 10.21.** Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $S \neq \emptyset$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  then for  $S+\alpha = \{s+\alpha | s \in S\}$  we have that

1. If  $\sup(S)$  exists then  $\sup(S+\alpha)$  exists and  $\sup(S+\alpha) = \sup(S) + \alpha$
2. If  $\inf(S)$  exists then  $\inf(S+\alpha)$  exists and  $\inf(S+\alpha) = \inf(S) + \alpha$

**Proof.** First

$$\begin{aligned} x \in S+\alpha &\Leftrightarrow \exists s \in S \text{ such that } x = s+\alpha \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists s \in S \wedge \exists t \in \{\alpha\} \text{ such that } x = s+t \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in S+\{\alpha\} \end{aligned}$$

hence we have

$$S+\alpha = S+\{\alpha\}$$

Now we have

1. If  $\sup(S)$  exists then by [theorem 10.20] that  $\sup(S+\{\alpha\})$  exist and  $\sup(S+\{\alpha\}) = \sup(S) + \sup(\{\alpha\})$  which as  $S+\{\alpha\} = S+\alpha$  and  $\sup(\{\alpha\}) = \alpha$  proves that

$$\sup(S+\alpha) \text{ exist and } \sup(S+\alpha) = \sup(S) + \alpha$$

2. If  $\inf$  exists then by [real 10.20] that  $\inf(S + \{\alpha\})$  exist and  $\inf(S + \{\alpha\}) = \inf(S) + \inf(\{\alpha\})$  which as  $S + \{\alpha\} = S + \alpha$  and  $\inf(\{\alpha\}) = \alpha$  proves that

$$\inf(S + \alpha) \text{ exist and } \inf(S + \alpha) = \inf(S) + \alpha \quad \square$$

**Theorem 10.22.** Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $x < y$  then

1.  $x + 1 \leq y$
2.  $x \leq y - 1$

**Proof.** By [theorems: 10.6 and 10.10] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism} \quad (10.23)$$

$$i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}}: \langle \mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot \rangle \text{ is a field isomorphism} \quad (10.24)$$

Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then by [eq: 10.23] there exists  $x', y' \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$x = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x') \wedge y = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(y') \wedge x' < y' \quad (10.25)$$

1. Using [theorem: 7.28] we have that  $x' + 1 \leq y'$  so that

$$x + 1 \stackrel{[\text{eq: 10.24}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x') + i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(1) = i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x' + 1) \leq_{[\text{eq: 10.23}]} i_{\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(y') = y$$

proving that

$$x + 1 \leq y$$

2. As by (1) we have that  $x + 1 \leq y$  hence  $x = (x + 1) + (-1) \leq y + (-1) = y - 1$   $\square$

**Theorem 10.23. (Archimedean Property)** If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $0 < x$  then  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $y < n \cdot x$

**Proof.** For  $y$  we have either

$y \leq 0$ . Then for  $n = 1$  we have  $y \leq 0 < x = 1 \cdot x = n \cdot x$  proving that  $y < n \cdot x$

$0 < y$ . We prove this by contradiction. Assume that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  we have  $n \cdot x \leq y$ . Define

$$A = \{n \cdot x \mid n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}\}$$

then  $\forall t \in A$  we have  $t \leq y$  so that  $y$  is a upper bound of  $A$ . By [theorem: 10.17]  $\langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is conditional complete so that  $\sup(A)$  exists. As  $0 < x$  we have  $-x < 0$  so that  $\sup(A) - x < \sup(A)$ , given that by [theorem: 10.9]  $\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered, we have by [theorem: 3.68] that  $\exists t \in A$  such that  $\sup(A) - x < t$ . Using the definition of  $A$  we have then that  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $t = n \cdot x$  hence  $\sup(A) - x < n \cdot x$ , so that

$$\sup(A) < n \cdot x + x = (n + 1) \cdot x \quad (10.26)$$

As  $n + 1 \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  we have that  $(n + 1) \cdot x \in A$  so that  $(n + 1) \cdot x \leq \sup(A)$  contradicting [eq: 10.26]. So our assumption is wrong hence

$$\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}} \text{ such that } y < n \cdot x \quad \square$$

**Corollary 10.24.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then we have

1.  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $x < n$
2.  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $n \leq x < n + 1$
3.  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $n < x \leq n + 1$
4.  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $n - 1 \leq x < n$
5.  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $n - 1 < x \leq n$

6. If  $0 < x$  then  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $0 < 1/n < x$

**Proof.**

1. As  $0 < 1$  [see corollary: 10.11] we have by the Archimedean property [see theorem: 10.23] that there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $x < n \cdot 1 = n$
2. By (1)  $A = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} | x < n\} \neq \emptyset$  and by the well ordering of  $\langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  [see theorem: 10.18] there exists a least element  $m \in A$ . As  $m - 1 < m$  [see corollary: 10.15] we have that  $m - 1 \notin A$  hence  $m - 1 \leq x$  and as  $m \in A$  we have also  $x < m$ . Take  $n = m - 1$  then  $n \leq x < m = n + 1$ .
3. Using (2) there exist a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $m \leq x < m + 1$ . As  $m \leq x$  we have the following possibilities to consider:
 

**$m = x$ .** Take then  $n = m - 1$  so that  $n + 1 = m$  then we have  $n < x \leq n + 1$

**$m < x$ .** Take then  $n = m$  so that  $n < x \leq n + 1$
4. Using (2) there exist a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $m \leq x < m + 1$ , take then  $n = m + 1$  so that  $m = n - 1$ , hence  $n - 1 \leq x < n$ .
5. Using (3) there exist a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $m < x \leq m + 1$ , take then  $n = m + 1$  so that  $m = n - 1$ , hence  $n - 1 < x \leq n$ .
6. Using the Archimedean Property [see theorem: 10.23] there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $1 < n \cdot x$ . If  $n = 0$  we would have  $1 < 0$  a contradiction so  $0 \neq n$ . Using [theorem: 9.61] we have that  $0 \leq n$  so we find that  $0 < n$ . Applying then [theorems: 10.14] we have  $0 < n^{-1} = 1/n$  which using [theorems: 10.14] on  $1 < n \cdot x$  gives  $1/n = 1 \cdot n^{-1} < (n \cdot x) \cdot n^{-1} = x$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 10.25.** Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then we have

1. If  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have that  $x \leq y + 1/n$  then  $x \leq y$
2. If  $\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}^+$  we have that  $x \leq y + \varepsilon$  then  $x \leq y$
3. Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}_{0, \mathbb{C}}^+$  then if  $\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}^+$  we have that  $x \leq y + \varepsilon \cdot a$  then  $x \leq y$
4. Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}_{0, \mathbb{C}}^+$  then if  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have that  $x \leq y + a/n$  then  $x \leq y$

**Proof.**

1. Assume that  $y < x$  then we have  $0 < x - y$  so by [corollary: 10.24] there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $1/n < x - y$ . As we also have that  $x \leq y + 1/n \Rightarrow x - y \leq 1/n$  we reach the contradiction  $1/n < 1/n$ . So the assumption is wrong and we must have that

$$x \leq y$$

2. Assume that  $y < x$  then we have  $0 < x - y$  so by [corollary: 10.24] there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $1/n < x - y$ . Take  $\varepsilon = 1/n$  then we have also  $x \leq y + \varepsilon \Rightarrow x - y \leq \varepsilon = \frac{1}{n}$  so we reach the contradiction  $1/n < 1/n$ . So the assumption is wrong and we must have that

$$x \leq y$$

3. As  $a \in \mathbb{R}_{0, \mathbb{C}}^+$  we have two possibilities to consider:

**$a = 0$ .** Then if we take  $\varepsilon = 1 \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}^+$  we have from  $x \leq y + a \cdot \varepsilon = y + 0 \cdot 1 = y$  that  $x \leq y$

**$0 < a$ .** Take  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}^+$  then for  $\delta = \varepsilon/a \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}^+$  we have by the assumption that  $x \leq y + a \cdot \delta = y + (\varepsilon/a) \cdot a = y + \varepsilon$ . So we have  $\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}^+$  that  $x \leq y + \varepsilon$  which by (2) proves that

$$x \leq y$$

4. As  $a \in \mathbb{R}_{0, \mathbb{C}}^+$  we have two possibilities to consider:

**$a = 0$ .** Then if we take  $n = 1 \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have from  $x \leq y + a/n = y + 1/1 \cdot 0 = y$  that  $x \leq y$

**$0 < a$ .** Take  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then

$$0 < n \xRightarrow{\text{[theorems: 10.14]}} 0 < a \cdot n \xRightarrow{\text{[theorems: 10.14]}} 0 < (a \cdot n)^{-1} = a^{-1} \cdot n^{-1}$$

so that by [corollary: 10.24] there exists a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $1/m < a^{-1} \cdot n^{-1}$ . By assumption we have now  $x \leq y + a/m = y + a \cdot (a^{-1} \cdot n^{-1}) = y + 1/n$ . So we have  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{R}}$  that  $x \leq y + 1/n$  which by (1) implies that

$$x \leq y \quad \square$$

The next theorem shows how the embedded rational numbers are dense in the set of real numbers.

**Theorem 10.26. (Density Theorem)** *If  $x \in y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $x < y$  then we have*

1.  $\exists q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $x < q < y$
2.  $\exists r \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $x < r < y$

*In other words if we have two different real numbers then we can always find a rational number and a irrational number that lies between the two real numbers.*

**Proof.**

1. We first prove the case for  $0 \leq x$ , then we have either

**0 < x.** From  $x < y$  we have that  $0 < y - x$  so that by [theorem: 10.14]  $0 < (y - x)^{-1}$ . Using [corollary: 10.24] there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $0 < (y - x)^{-1} < n$ . As  $0 < y - x$  we have that  $1 = (y - x)^{-1} \cdot (y - x) < n \cdot (y - x)$  so that

$$1 + n \cdot x < n \cdot y \quad (10.27)$$

and from  $0 < (y - x)^{-1} < n$  that

$$0 < n \xRightarrow{\text{[theorem: 10.14]}} 0 < n^{-1} = 1/n \quad (10.28)$$

Using [corollary: 10.24] there exist a  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  such that

$$m - 1 \leq n \cdot x < m \quad (10.29)$$

Multiplying by  $n^{-1}$  gives then by [theorem: 10.14] that  $x = (n \cdot x) \cdot n^{-1} < m \cdot n^{-1} = m/n$ . Take  $q = m/n$  then, as  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$ , we have by [theorem: 10.7] that  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$ . So we have

$$x < q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} \quad (10.30)$$

From [eq: 10.29] we have that  $m \leq n \cdot x + 1 < n \cdot y$  [see eq: 10.27] so that  $m < n \cdot y$  and by multiplying both sides by  $n^{-1}$  that  $q = m/n < y$ . Combining this with [eq: 10.30] gives finally

$$x < q < y \text{ where } q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$$

**x = 0.** Then  $0 < y$  and by [corollary: 10.24] there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $0 < 1/n < y$ .

As  $1, n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have by [theorem: 10.7] that  $1/n \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  hence if we take  $q = 1/n$  we have that

$$x < q < y \text{ where } q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$$

So we have proved that

$$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \text{ with } 0 \leq x \wedge x < y \text{ there exist a } q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}} \text{ such that } x < q < y \quad (10.31)$$

So the only case left to prove is where  $x < 0$ . Then for  $y$  we have either

**0 < y.** Then if we take  $q = 0 \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  so that

$$x < q < y \text{ with } q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$$

**y ≤ 0.** Then  $x < y \leq 0$  or using [theorem: 10.14]  $0 \leq -y < -x$ . Take  $x' = -y$  and  $y' = -x$  then  $0 \leq x' < y'$  and by [eq: 10.31] there exists a  $q' \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $x' < q' < y'$ . So  $-y < q' < -x$  or  $x < -q' < y$ . As  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}, + \rangle$  is a sub group of  $\langle \mathbb{C}, + \rangle$  it follows that  $-q' \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  hence if we take  $q = -q'$  then we have

$$x < q < y \text{ where } q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$$

2. Finally we prove the case for the irrational numbers. By [theorem: 9.52]  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \neq \emptyset$  so there exist a  $z \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$ , then from  $x < y$  we have that  $x + z < y + z$ . Using (1) there exist a  $r \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $x + z < r < y + z$  or  $x < r - q < y$ . Take  $q = r - z$  then we have  $x < q < y$ . Assume that  $q \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  then as  $z = r - q, r \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $\langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}, + \rangle$  is a sub group of  $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$  we have that  $z \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  contradicting  $z \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$ . So we must have that  $q \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and we conclude that

$$x < q < y \text{ where } x \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}} \quad \square$$

### 10.2.3 Recursion and mathematical induction in $\mathbb{C}$

The embedding of  $\mathbb{N}_0$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  is important because it allows use to extend recursion and induction using  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  instead of  $\mathbb{N}_0$ .

**Definition 10.27.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  then we define

$$\{n, \dots, m\} = \{i \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \mid n \leq i \leq m\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$$

$$\{n, \dots, \infty\} = \{i \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \mid n \leq i\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$$

**Lemma 10.28.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  then we define

1.  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{n, \dots, m\}) = \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n), \dots, i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(m)\}$
2.  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{m, \dots, \infty\}) = \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n), \dots, \infty\}$
3.  $\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} = \{0, \dots, \infty\}$

**Proof.** Using [theorems: 10.10] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \text{ is a order isomorphism} \quad (10.32)$$

then we have:

1. If  $y \in i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{n, \dots, m\})$  then  $\exists x \in \{n, \dots, m\}$  such that  $y = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x)$ . As  $x \leq n \wedge x \leq m$  we have by [eq: 10.32] that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n) \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x) \wedge i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x) \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(m)$  proving that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n) \leq y \wedge y \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(m)$  hence  $y \in \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n), \dots, i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(m)\}$ , so we have

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{n, \dots, m\}) \subseteq \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n), \dots, i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(m)\} \quad (10.33)$$

Further if  $y \in \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n), \dots, i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(m)\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  then  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n) \leq y \wedge y \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(m)$  and by [eq: 10.32]  $\exists x \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $y = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x)$ . Using [eq: 10.32] again we have then that  $n \leq x \wedge x \leq m$  so that  $x \in \{n, \dots, m\}$  proving that  $y \in i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{n, \dots, m\})$ . So we have  $\{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n), \dots, i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(m)\} \subseteq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{n, \dots, m\})$  which combined with [eq: 10.33] gives

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{n, \dots, m\}) = \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n), \dots, i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(m)\}$$

2. If  $y \in i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{n, \dots, \infty\})$  then  $\exists x \in \{n, \dots, \infty\}$  such that  $y = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x)$ . As  $x \leq n$  we have by [eq: 10.32] that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n) \leq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x)$  proving that  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n) \leq y$  hence  $y \in \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n), \dots, \infty\}$ , so we have

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{n, \dots, \infty\}) \subseteq \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n), \dots, \infty\} \quad (10.34)$$

Further if  $y \in \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n), \dots, \infty\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  then  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n) \leq y$  and by [eq: 10.32]  $\exists x \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $y = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(x)$ . Using [eq: 10.32] again we have then that  $n \leq x$  so that  $x \in \{n, \dots, \infty\}$  proving that  $y \in i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{n, \dots, \infty\})$ . So we have  $\{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n), \dots, \infty\} \subseteq i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{n, \dots, \infty\})$  which combined with [eq: 10.34] gives

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{n, \dots, \infty\}) = \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n), \dots, \infty\}$$

3. Using [note: 5.80] we have that  $\mathbb{N}_0 = \{0, \dots, \infty\}$  so that

$$\mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \underset{[eq: 10.32]}{=} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{N}_0) = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{0, \dots, \infty\}) \underset{(2)}{=} \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(0), \dots, \infty\} = \{0, \dots, \infty\} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 10.29.** Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  and  $S \subseteq \{k, \dots, \infty\}$  such that

1.  $k \in S$
2. If  $n \in S$  then  $n+1 \in S$

then  $S = \{k, \dots, \infty\}$

**Proof.** Using [theorems: 10.10, 3.54] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}, + \rangle \text{ is a group isomorphism and } i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(1) = 1 \quad (10.35)$$

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \text{ and } (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}: \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_0, \leq \rangle \text{ are order isomorphisms} \quad (10.36)$$

Define  $T = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(S)$  and take  $k' = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(k)$  then we have

$k' \in T$ . As  $i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(k') = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(k)) = k \in S$  it follows that  $k' \in T$

$n \in T \Rightarrow n+1 \in T$ . As  $n \in T = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(S)$  we have that  $n' = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n) \in S$ , by the hypothesis we have then that  $n' + 1 \in S$ . Hence

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n+1) \stackrel{[\text{eq: 10.35}]}{=} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(n) + i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(1) \stackrel{[\text{eq: 10.35}]}{=} n' + 1 \in S$$

so that  $n+1 \in (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(S) = T$ .

Using [theorem: 5.82] it follows that  $T = \{k', \dots, \infty\}$  so

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{k', \dots, \infty\}) = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(T) = i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(S)) \stackrel{[\text{eq: 10.35}] \text{ and } [\text{theorem: 2.55}]}{=} S \quad (10.37)$$

Next

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(\{k', \dots, \infty\}) &\stackrel{[\text{lemma: 10.28}]}{=} \{i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(k'), \dots, \infty\} \\ &= \{k, \dots, \infty\} \end{aligned}$$

which combined with [eq: 10.37] gives finally

$$S = \{k, \dots, \infty\} \quad \square$$

We turn now to recursion.

**Theorem 10.30.** Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  and  $f: A \rightarrow A$  a function then there exist a **unique** function

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow A$$

such that:

1.  $\lambda(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  we have  $\lambda(n+1) = f(\lambda(n))$

**Proof.** Using [theorems: 10.6, 4.24] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}, + \rangle \text{ and } (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}: \langle \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \text{ are group isomorphisms} \quad (10.38)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(1) = 1 \quad (10.39)$$

Now by [theorem: 5.83] there exist a **unique** function  $\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  such that

1.  $\beta(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have  $\beta(n+1) = f(\beta(n))$

Define  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow A$  by  $\lambda = \beta \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}$  then we have:

1.  $\lambda(0) = \beta \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(0) = \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(0)) = \beta(0) = a$
2. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  and take  $n' = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(n)$  then

$$(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(n+1) = (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(n) + (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(1) \stackrel{[\text{eq: 10.39}]}{=} (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})^{-1}(n) + 1 = n' + 1$$

So that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma(n+1) &= (\beta \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1})(n+1) \\
 &= \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(n+1)) \\
 &= \beta(n'+1) \\
 &= f(\beta(n')) \\
 &= f(\beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(n))) \\
 &= f(\lambda(n))
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have proved the existence of  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_0, \mathbb{C} \rightarrow A$ .

Next we prove uniqueness, so assume that there is another  $\gamma: \mathbb{N}_0, \mathbb{C} \rightarrow A$  such that  $\gamma(0) = a$  and  $\gamma(n+1) = f(\gamma(n))$ . Then  $(\gamma \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}): \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  is such that

$$(\gamma \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})(0) = \gamma(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(0)) = \gamma(0) = a$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\gamma \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})(n+1) &= \gamma(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n+1)) \\
 &= \gamma(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) + i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(1)) \\
 &= \gamma(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n) + 1) \\
 &= f(\gamma(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}(n))) \\
 &= f((\gamma \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}})(n))
 \end{aligned}$$

As  $\beta$  is unique we have by the above that  $\beta = \gamma \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}$ , so that

$$\lambda = \beta \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1} = (\gamma \circ i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}) \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1} = \gamma \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}) = \gamma \circ \text{id}_{\mathbb{N}_0, \mathbb{C}} = \gamma$$

proving uniqueness.  $\square$

**Theorem 10.31. (Iteration)** *Let  $A$  be a set and  $f: A \rightarrow A$  a function then  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0, \mathbb{C}$  there exist a function*

$$(f)^n: A \rightarrow A$$

such that:

1.  $(f)^0 = \text{Id}_A$
2.  $(f)^{n+1} = f \circ (f)^n$

**Proof.** Let  $a \in A$  and use the recursion [theorem: 10.30] to find a function

$$\lambda_a: \mathbb{N}_0, \mathbb{R} \rightarrow A \text{ such that } \lambda_a(0) = a \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0, \mathbb{R} \lambda_a(s(n)) = f(\lambda_a(n))$$

Define now

$$(f)^n: A \rightarrow A \text{ where } (f)^n(a) = \lambda_a(n)$$

Then we have

1.  $\forall a \in A$  we have that  $(f)^0(a) = \lambda_a(0) = a$  so that

$$(f)^0 = \text{Id}_A$$

2.  $\forall a \in A$  we have that  $(f)^{s(n)}(a) = \lambda_a(s(n)) = f(\lambda_a(n)) = f((f)^n(a)) = (f \circ (f)^n)(a)$  so that

$$(f)^{s(n)} = f \circ (f)^n \quad \square$$

**Theorem 10.32.** *Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  and  $g: \mathbb{N}_0, \mathbb{R} \times A \rightarrow A$  then there exist a **unique** function*

$$\gamma: \mathbb{N}_0, \mathbb{R} \rightarrow A$$

such that:

1.  $\lambda(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0, \mathbb{R} \lambda(n+1) = g(n, \lambda(n))$

**Proof.** By [theorems: 10.6, 4.24] we have that

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}, + \rangle \text{ and } (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}: \langle \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}, + \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{N}_0, + \rangle \text{ are group isomorphisms} \quad (10.40)$$

and

$$i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(1) = 1 \quad (10.41)$$

Define now

$$h: \mathbb{N}_0 \times A \rightarrow A \text{ by } h(n, a) = g((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})(n), a)$$

Using [theorem: 5.85] there exist a  $\beta: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow A$  such that

1.  $\beta(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{R}}$  we have  $\beta(n+1) = h(n, \beta(n))$

Define now

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} \rightarrow A \text{ by } \lambda = \beta \circ (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}$$

then we have:

1.  $\lambda(0) = \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(0)) \stackrel{[\text{eq: 10.40}]}{=} \beta(0) = a$
2. If  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(n+1) &= \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(n+1)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 10.40}]}{=} \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(n) + (i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(1)) \\ &\stackrel{[\text{eq: 10.41}]}{=} \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(n) + 1) \\ &= h((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(n), \beta((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(n))) \\ &= h((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(n), \lambda(n)) \\ &= g(i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}((i_{\mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}})^{-1}(n)), \lambda(n)) \\ &= g(\lambda(n)) \end{aligned}$$

which proves existence. Now for uniqueness assume that there is a

$$\gamma: \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} \rightarrow A \text{ such that } \beta(0) = a \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} \text{ that } \beta(s(n)) = g(n, \beta(n))$$

Define now  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} \mid \lambda(n) = \gamma(n)\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S$ . As  $\lambda(0) = a = \gamma(0)$  it follows that  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$ . As

$$\lambda(n+1) = g(n, \lambda(n)) \stackrel{n \in S}{=} g(n, \gamma(n)) = \gamma(n+1)$$

we have that  $n+1 \in S$

Using mathematical induction [theorem: 10.29] we have  $S = \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$ , so  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  we have  $n \in S$  hence  $\lambda(n) = \gamma(n)$  proving that

$$\lambda = \gamma \quad \square$$

**Corollary 10.33.** Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  and  $g: \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} \times A \rightarrow A$  then there exist a **unique** function

$$\lambda: \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} \rightarrow A$$

such that:

1.  $\lambda(0) = a$
2.  $\forall n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\}$   $\lambda(n) = g(n-1, \lambda(n-1))$

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 10.32] there exists a **unique**  $\lambda: \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} \rightarrow A$  such that

$$\lambda(0) = a \text{ and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \lambda(n+1) = g(n, \lambda(n))$$

Let  $n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\}$  then  $1 \leq n$  so that  $n-1 \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $n = (n-1) + 1$ , hence  $\lambda(n) = \lambda((n-1) + 1) = g(n-1, \lambda(n-1))$ .  $\square$



The two previous theorems gives a way of defining functions by recursions as is expressed in the following two definitions.

**Definition 10.34.** Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  then we can define a function as follows:

$$f: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow A$$

is defined by:

1.  $f(0) = a$
2.  $f(n+1) = G(n, \lambda(n))$

where  $G(n, \lambda(n))$  is a expression of two parameters. The above is equivalent with the function defined by [theorem: 10.32] where  $a \in A$  and  $g: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \times A \rightarrow A$  is defined by  $g(n, x) = G(n, x)$ .

Another way to define a recursive function is based on [corollary: 9.74]

**Definition 10.35.** Let  $A$  be a set,  $a \in A$  then we define  $f: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow A$  as follows

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } n = 0 \\ G(n-1, f(n-1)) & \text{if } n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} \end{cases}$$

Which is equivalent with the function defined by [theorem: 5.86] where  $a \in A$  and  $g: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \times A \rightarrow A$  is defined by  $g(n, x) = G(n, x)$ .

## 10.3 Power in $\mathbb{C}$

We are ready now to define power in  $\mathbb{C}$

**Definition 10.36.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{C}$  then  $x^{(\cdot)}: \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by  $n \rightarrow x^{(\cdot)}(n) = x^n$  where

$$\begin{aligned} x^0 &= 1 \\ x^{n+1} &= x \cdot x^n \end{aligned}$$

**Note 10.37.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{C}$  then  $x^0 = 1$ ,  $x^1 = x$ ,  $x^2 = x \cdot x$

**Proof.**  $x^0 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 1$ ,  $x^1 = x \cdot x^0 = x \cdot 1 = x$  and  $x^2 = x \cdot x^1 = x \cdot x$  □

**Theorem 10.38.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  then we have

1. If  $x \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  then  $x^n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$
2. If  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then  $x^n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$
3. If  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then  $x^n \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$
4. if  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then  $x$
5. If  $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$  then  $x^n \in \mathbb{R}^+$  [in other words if  $0 < x$  then  $0 < x^n$ ]

**Proof.** This is easily proved by induction [see: 10.29]

1. Take  $S_x = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} | x^n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}\}$  then we have

$0 \in S_x$ . As  $x^0 = 1 \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  we have that  $0 \in S_x$

$n \in S_x \Rightarrow n+1 \in S_x$ . As  $n \in S$  we have  $x^n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  and by the hypothese  $x \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  so using [theorem:10.6]  $x^{n+1} = x \cdot x^n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  proving that  $n+1 \in S_x$ .

2. Take  $S_x = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} | x^n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}\}$  then we have

$0 \in S_x$ . As  $x^0 = 1 \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have that  $0 \in S_x$

$n \in S_x \Rightarrow n+1 \in S_x$ . As  $n \in S$  we have  $x^n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  and by the hypothese  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  so using [theorem:10.6]  $x^{n+1} = x \cdot x^n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{C}}$  proving that  $n+1 \in S_x$ .

3. Take  $S_x = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} | x^n \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}\}$  then we have

$0 \in S_x$ . As  $x^0 = 1 \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have that  $0 \in S_x$

$n \in S_x \Rightarrow n+1 \in S_x$ . As  $n \in S$  we have  $x^n \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  and by the hypothesis  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  so using [theorem:10.6]  $x^{n+1} = x \cdot x^n \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}$  proving that  $n+1 \in S_x$ .

4. Take  $S_x = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} | x^n \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}\}$  then we have

$0 \in S_x$ . As  $x^0 = 1 \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have that  $0 \in S_x$

$n \in S_x \Rightarrow n+1 \in S_x$ . As  $n \in S$  we have  $x^n \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  and by the hypothesis  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  so using [theorem:10.6]  $x^{n+1} = x \cdot x^n \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  proving that  $n+1 \in S_x$ .

5. Take  $S_x = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} | 0 < x^n\}$  then we have

$0 \in S_x$ . Using [corollary: 10.11]  $0 < 1 = x^0$  so that  $0 \in S_x$ .

$n \in S_x \Rightarrow n+1 \in S_x$ . As  $0 < x$  and  $n \in S \Rightarrow 0 < x^n$  we have by [theorem: 10.14] that  $0 < x \cdot x^n = x^{n+1}$  proving that  $n+1 \in S_x$   $\square$

**Theorem 10.39.** If  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  then  $\forall x \in \mathbb{C}$  we have  $x^{n+m} = x^n \cdot x^m$

**Proof.** This is proved by induction, so let  $x \in \mathbb{C}, n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  and define

$$S_{n,x} = \{m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} | x^{n+m} = x^n \cdot x^m\}$$

then we have:

$0 \in S_{n,x}$ . Then  $x^{n+0} = x^n = x^n \cdot 1 = x^n \cdot x^0$  proving that  $0 \in S_{n,x}$ .

$m \in S_{n,x} \Rightarrow m+1 \in S_{n,x}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} x^{n+(m+1)} &= x^{(n+m)+1} \\ &= x \cdot x^{(n+m)} \\ &= x^{n+m} \cdot x \\ &\stackrel{m \in S_{n,x}}{=} (x^n \cdot x^m) \cdot x \\ &= x^n \cdot (x^m \cdot x) \\ &= x^n \cdot (x \cdot x^m) \\ &= x^n \cdot x^{m+1} \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $m+1 \in S_{n,x}$   $\square$

**Theorem 10.40.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  then  $(x^{-1})^n = (x^n)^{-1}$  or in other words  $(1/x)^n = 1/x^n$

**Proof.** Theorem we prove this by induction, take  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}} | (x^{-1})^n = (x^n)^{-1}\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S$ . As  $(1/x)^0 = 1 = (1)^{-1} = (x^0)$  proving that  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S \rightarrow n+1 \in S$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} (x^{-1})^{n+1} &= (x^{-1}) \cdot (x^{-1})^n \\ &\stackrel{n \in S}{=} (x^{-1}) \cdot (x^n)^{-1} \\ &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 4.55}]}{=} (x \cdot x^n)^{-1} \\ &= (x^{n+1})^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $n+1 \in S$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 10.41.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  then we have

1. If  $n \neq 0$  then  $0^n = 0$  [note that by definition  $0^0 = 1$ ]
2.  $1^n = 1$
3.  $(-1)^n = 1 \vee (-1)^n = -1$

4.  $(-1)^{2 \cdot n} = 1$
5.  $(-1)^{2 \cdot n + 1} = -1$

**Proof.**

1. If  $n \neq 0$  then  $\exists m \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $n = m + 1$  so that  $0^n = 0^{m+1} = 0 \cdot 0^m = 0$
2. We proceed by induction, so let

$$S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} \mid 1^n = 1\}$$

then we have:

$0 \in S$ .  $1^0 = 1$  by definition, proving that  $0 \in S$

$n \in S \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S$ .  $1^{n+1} = 1 \cdot 1^n \underset{n \in S}{=} 1 \cdot 1 = 1$  proving that  $n + 1 \in S$

3. Again we use induction, so let

$$S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} \mid (-1)^n = 1 \vee (-1)^n = -1\}$$

then we have:

$0 \in S$ .  $(-1)^0 = 1$  proving that  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S$ . As  $n \in S$  we have either:

$(-1)^n = 1$ . Then  $(-1)^{n+1} = (-1) \cdot (-1)^n = (-1) \cdot 1 = -1$  so the  $n + 1 \in S$

$(-1)^n = -1$ . Then  $(-1)^{n+1} = (-1) \cdot (-1)^n = (-1) \cdot (-1) \underset{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} 1 \cdot 1 = 1$  so that  $n + 1 \in S$

4.  $(-1)^{2 \cdot n} = (-1)^{(1+1) \cdot n} = (-1)^{n+n} \underset{[\text{theorem: 10.39}]}{=} (-1)^n \cdot (-1)^n \underset{[\text{theorem: 4.40}]}{=} 1 \cdot 1 = 1$  and (3)
5.  $(-1)^{2 \cdot n + 1} = (-1) \cdot (-1)^{2 \cdot n} \underset{(4)}{=} (-1) \cdot 1 = -1$  □

**Theorem 10.42.** For  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have

1.  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\}$  that  $0 < \alpha^n < 1$
2.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $n \in \{2, \dots, \infty\}$  that  $0 < \alpha^n < x$
3.  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $1 \leq \alpha$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have:
  - a. If  $\alpha < \beta$  then  $\alpha < \beta^n$
  - b. If  $\alpha \leq \beta$  then  $\alpha < \beta^n$

**Proof.**

1. We proof this by induction on  $n$ . So let  $S = \{n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} \mid 0 < \alpha^n < 1\}$  then we have:
 

$1 \in S$ . As  $0 < \alpha < 1$  we have by (7.a) that  $0 = 0 \cdot \alpha < \alpha^1 = \alpha < 1 \cdot \alpha$  so that  $0 < \alpha^1 < \alpha$  proving that  $1 \in S$

$n \in S \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S$ . As  $n \in S$  we have  $0 < \alpha^n < 1$ , so using [theorem: 10.14] we have that  $0 = 0 \cdot \alpha < \alpha^n \cdot \alpha < 1 \cdot \alpha = \alpha < 1$  or  $0 < \alpha^{n+1} < 1$ . Hence  $n + 1 \in S$

Proving that  $S = \{1, \dots, \infty\}$  or  $\forall n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\}$  we have  $0 < \alpha^n < 1$
2. As  $n \in \{2, \dots, \infty\}$  we have  $2 \leq n \Rightarrow 1 = 2 + (-1) \leq n + (-1) = n - 1$  so that  $(n - 1) \in \{2, \dots, \infty\}$ . Using (1) we have  $0 < \alpha^{n-1} < 1$  which as  $0 < \alpha$  gives by [theorem: 10.14]

$$0 < 0 \cdot \alpha < \alpha^{n-1} \cdot \alpha < 1 \cdot \alpha = \alpha.$$

or as  $\alpha^{n-1} \cdot \alpha = \alpha^n$  that  $0 < \alpha^n < \alpha$ .

3. Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $1 \leq \alpha$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$ 
  - a. If  $\alpha < \beta$  we have to prove that  $\alpha < \beta^n$ . Let  $S = \{n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} \mid \alpha < \beta^n\}$  then we have:
 

$1 \in S$ . As  $\alpha < \beta = \beta^1$  we have that  $1 \in S$

$n \in S \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S$ . As  $1 \leq \alpha < \beta \Rightarrow 1 < \beta$  we have by [theorem: 10.14] that

$$\alpha = 1 \cdot \alpha < \beta \cdot \alpha = \alpha \cdot \beta \quad (10.42)$$

As  $n \in S$  we have that  $\alpha < \beta^n$  which by [theorem: 10.14] gives  $\alpha \cdot \beta < \beta^n \cdot \beta = \beta^{n+1}$ , combining this with [eq: 10.42] proves  $\alpha < \beta^{n+1}$ . So  $n + 1 \in S$ .

So  $S = \{1, \dots, n\} = \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{C}}$  hence  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have  $\alpha < \beta^n$ .

b. If  $\alpha \leq \beta$  we have to prove that  $\alpha \leq \beta^n$ . Let  $S = \{n \in \{1, \dots, n\} | \alpha \leq \beta^n\}$  then we have:

$1 \in S$ . As  $\alpha \leq \beta = \beta^1$  we have that  $1 \in S$

$n \in S \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S$ . As  $1 \leq \alpha \leq \beta \Rightarrow 1 \leq \beta$  we have by [theorem: 10.14] that

$$\alpha = 1 \cdot \alpha \leq \beta \cdot \alpha = \alpha \cdot \beta \quad (10.43)$$

As  $n \in S$  we have that  $\alpha \leq \beta^n$  which by [theorem: 10.14] gives  $\alpha \cdot \beta \leq \beta^n \cdot \beta = \beta^{n+1}$ , combining this with [eq: 10.43] proves  $\alpha \leq \beta^{n+1}$ . So  $n + 1 \in S$ .

So  $S = \{1, \dots, n\} = \mathbb{N}$  hence  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have  $\alpha \leq \beta^n$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 10.43.**  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  we have that  $n < 2^n$

**Proof.** This is proved by induction so let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} | n < 2^n\}$  then we have

$0 \in S$ . As  $n = 0 < 1 = 2^0$  we have that  $0 \in S$

$n \in S \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S$ . For  $n + 1$  we have the following cases to consider:

$n + 1 = 1$ . Then  $n + 1 = 1 < 2 = 2^1 = 2^{n+1}$  proving that in this case  $n + 1 \in S$

$1 < n + 1$ . Then by [theorem: 10.22] we have  $1 + 1 \leq n + 1$  so that  $1 \leq n$ , adding  $n$  to both sides gives then  $n + 1 \leq n + n = (1 + 1) \cdot n = 2 \cdot n$ . Further as  $n \in S$  we have  $n < 2^n$  so that  $2 \cdot n < 2 \cdot 2^n = 2^{n+1}$ , hence we have  $n + 1 < 2^{n+1}$ , proving that  $n + 1 \in S$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 10.44.**  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $x < 2^n$

**Proof.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then by [corollary: 10.24] there exist a  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  such that  $x < n$ , using [theorem: 10.43]  $n < 2^n$  so we have  $x < 2^n$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 10.45.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with  $1 < x$  then  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}}$  we have

$$n \cdot (x - 1) \leq x^n - 1$$

**Proof.** We prove this by induction, so let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N}_{0, \mathbb{C}} | n \cdot (x - 1) \leq x^n - 1\}$  then we have:

$0 \in S$ . Then  $n \cdot (x - 1) = 0 \cdot (x - 1) = 0 \leq 0 = 1 - 1 = x^0 - 1 = x^n - 1$  proving that  $0 \in S$ .

$n \in S \Rightarrow n + 1 \in S$ . Then as  $n \in S$  we have  $n \cdot (x - 1) \leq x^n - 1$  which as  $0 < x$  prove that

$$x \cdot n \cdot (x - 1) \leq x \cdot (x^n - 1) \quad (10.44)$$

As  $1 < x$  we have that  $0 < x - 1 \xRightarrow{0 \leq n} 0 < n \cdot (x - 1)$  so that

$$n \cdot (x - 1) = 1 \cdot n \cdot (x - 1) < x \cdot n \cdot (x - 1)$$

which combined with [eq: 9.123] proves that

$$n \cdot (x - 1) \leq x \cdot (x^n - 1) \quad (10.45)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^{n+1} - 1 &= x \cdot x^n - 1 \\ &= x \cdot x^n - x + x - 1 \\ &= x \cdot (x^n - 1) + (x - 1) \\ &\geq_{[\text{eq: 10.45}]} n \cdot (x - 1) + (x - 1) \\ &= (n + 1) \cdot (x - 1) \end{aligned}$$

proving that  $n+1 \in S$ . □

**Theorem 10.46.** *If  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  and  $x \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $1 < x$  then  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $m < x^n$*

**Proof.** For  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  we have either:

**$m = 1$ .** Then  $m = 0 < 1 = x^0$  proving the theorem in this case.

**$m = 1$ .** Then  $m = 1 < x = x^1$  proving the theorem in this case.

**$1 < m$ .** Then  $0 < m-1$  and as  $0 < x-1 \Rightarrow (x-1)^{-1}$  so that  $(m-1)/(x-1) > 0$ . By [corollary: 10.24] there exist a  $n' \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $(m-1)/(x-1) < n$ . As  $0 < x-1$  we have  $m-1 < n \cdot (x-1)$ , by [lemma: 9.86]  $n \cdot (x-1) \leq (x^n - 1)$ , hence  $m-1 \leq x^n - 1$  or  $m < x^n$ , proving the theorem in this case. □

**Theorem 10.47.** *If  $x \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $0 < x < 1$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $n < m$  then  $x^m < x^n$*

**Proof.** We prove this by induction, let  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{C}}$  and take  $S_m = \{n \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} | x^{m+n} < x^m\}$  then we have:

**$1 \in S_m$ .** As  $0 < x$  we have by [theorem: 10.38] that  $0 < x^m$ , hence from  $x < 1$  we have that  $x^{m+1} = x \cdot x^m < 1 \cdot x^m = x^m$ , proving that  $1 \in S_m$ .

**$n \in S_m \Rightarrow n+1 \in S_m$ .** As  $x < 1$  and by [theorem: 10.38]  $0 < x^{m+n}$  we have that  $x^{m+(n+1)} = x \cdot x^{m+n} < x^{m+n}$ .  $\Rightarrow_{n \in S_m \Rightarrow x^{m+n} < x^m} x^{m+(n+1)} < x^m$  proving that  $n+1 \in S_m$ .

Using Mathematical induction [see theorem: 10.29] we have that  $S_m = \{1, \dots, \infty\}$ . So take  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_{0,\mathbb{R}}$  with  $n < m$  then  $k = m - n > 0 \Rightarrow k \geq 1$  so that  $k \in \{1, \dots, \infty\} = S_n$  hence  $x^m = x^{n+k} < x^n$  completing the proof. □

## 10.4 The square root in $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$

**Theorem 10.48.** *The function*

$$(\cdot)^2: \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+ \text{ defined by } (\cdot)^2(x) = x^2 = x \cdot x$$

*is a bijection.*

**Proof.** We have

**injectivity.** Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} | 0 \leq x\}$  be such that  $x^2 = y^2$  then we have the following possibilities:

**$x = 0$ .** Assume that  $y \neq 0$  then  $0 < y$  so that by [theorems: 10.14]  $0 < y \cdot y = y^2 = x^2 = x \cdot x = 0$  leading to the contradiction  $0 < 0$ . Hence we have  $y = 0$  so that  $x = y$ .

**$y = 0$ .** Assume that  $x \neq 0$  then  $0 < x$  so that by [theorems: 10.14]  $0 < x \cdot x = x^2 = y^2 = y \cdot y = 0$  leading to the contradiction  $0 < 0$ . Hence we have  $x = 0$  so that  $x = y$ .

**$0 < x \wedge 0 < y$ .** Assume that  $x \neq y$  then we have either:

**$x < y$ .** Then by [theorems: 10.14] we have  $x \cdot y < y \cdot y = y^2$  and  $x^2 = x \cdot x < y \cdot x = x \cdot y$  so that  $x^2 \neq y^2$  contradicting  $x^2 = y^2$ .

**$y < x$ .** Then by [theorems: 10.14] we have  $y \cdot x < x \cdot x = x^2$  and  $y^2 = y \cdot y < x \cdot y = y \cdot x$  so that  $x^2 \neq y^2$  contradicting  $x^2 = y^2$ .

**surjectivity.** Given  $y \in \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} | 0 \leq x\}$  then  $0 \leq y$  and we have the following possibilities to consider:

**$y = 0$ .** Then  $0^0 = 0 \cdot 0 = 0 = y$ , hence if  $x = 0$  we have  $y = x^2$

**$y = 1$ .** Then  $1^2 = 1 \cdot 1 = 1 = y$ , hence if  $x = 1$  we have  $y = x^2$

**$0 < y \wedge y \neq 1$ .** Take then  $S_y = \{t \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} | 0 \leq t \wedge t^2 \leq y\}$ . As  $0^2 = 0 < y$  we have  $0 \in S_y$  hence

$$S_y \neq \emptyset \tag{10.46}$$

As  $y \neq 1$  we have either:

**$y < 1$ .** Assume that  $\exists t \in S_y$  such that  $1 < t$  then by [theorems: 10.14] we have  $t < t \cdot t = t^2$ , as  $t \in S_y$  we have  $t^2 \leq y < 1$  so that  $t < 1$  contradicting  $1 < t$ . Hence we have  $\forall t \in S_y$  that  $t \leq 1$  proving that  $S_y$  is bounded above.

**$1 < y$ .** Assume that  $\exists t \in S_y$  such that  $y < t$  then as  $1 < y$  we have  $1 < t$  so that  $t < t \cdot t = t^2 \leq y$  contradicting the assumption  $y < t$ . So the assumption is wrong and we have  $\forall t \in S_y$  that  $t \leq y$  proving that  $S_y$  is bounded above.

So in all cases we have that

$$S_y \text{ is bounded above} \quad (10.47)$$

As  $\langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is conditionally complete [see theorem: 10.17] we have thanks to [eqs: 10.46, 10.47] that

$$s_y = \sup(S_y) \text{ exist} \quad (10.48)$$

For  $y \neq 1$  we consider again the following possibilities:

**$y < 1$ .** As  $0 < y$  we have by [theorems: 10.14] that  $y^2 = y \cdot y < 1 \cdot y = y$  so that  $y \in S_y$  so  $y \leq s_y \xrightarrow{0 < y} 0 < s_y$ .

**$1 < y$ .** Then  $0 < t$  and  $1^2 = 1 < y$  so that  $1 \in S_y$ , hence  $1 \leq s_y$  proving that  $0 < s_y$ .

So we have that

$$0 < s_y \quad (10.49)$$

Let  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $0 < \varepsilon < s_y$ . Then  $0 < s_y - \varepsilon < s_y < s_y + \varepsilon$ , so that by [theorems: 10.14]

$$\begin{aligned} (s_y - \varepsilon)^2 &= (s_y - \varepsilon) \cdot (s_y - \varepsilon) < s_y \cdot (s_y - \varepsilon) \\ &= (s_y - \varepsilon) \cdot s_y < s_y \cdot s_y = s_y^2 \\ s_y \cdot (s_y + \varepsilon) &< (s_y + \varepsilon) \cdot (s_y + \varepsilon) = (s_y + \varepsilon)^2 \\ s_y^2 &= s_y \cdot s_y < (s_y + \varepsilon) \cdot s_y \end{aligned}$$

So that

$$(s_y - \varepsilon)^2 < s_y^2 < (s_y + \varepsilon)^2 \quad (10.50)$$

As  $s_y$  is a upper bound of  $S_y$  and  $s_y < s_y + \varepsilon$  we must have that  $s_y + \varepsilon \notin S_y$ , which, as  $0 < s_y < s_y + \varepsilon$  proves that

$$y < (s_y + \varepsilon)^2 \quad (10.51)$$

As  $\langle \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq \rangle$  is totally ordered and  $s_y - \varepsilon < s_y$  we have by [theorem: 3.68] that  $\exists f \in S_y$  such that  $s_y - \varepsilon < f$ . As  $0 < s_y - \varepsilon$  we have by [theorems: 10.14] that  $(s_y - \varepsilon) \cdot f < f \cdot f = f^2$  and  $(s_y - \varepsilon)^2 = (s_y - \varepsilon) \cdot (s_y - \varepsilon) < f \cdot (s_y - \varepsilon)$  so that  $(s_y - \varepsilon)^2 < f^2$ . As  $f \in S_y$  it follows that  $f^2 \leq y$  so that

$$(s_y - \varepsilon)^2 < y \quad (10.52)$$

Using [theorems: 10.14] on [eqs: 10.51, 10.52] we have that

$$-(s_y + \varepsilon)^2 < -y < -(s_y - \varepsilon)^2 \quad (10.53)$$

Adding [eq: 10.50] to [eq: 10.53] gives

$$(s_y - \varepsilon)^2 - (s_y + \varepsilon)^2 < s_y^2 - y < (s_y + \varepsilon)^2 - (s_y - \varepsilon)^2 \quad (10.54)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} (s_y - \varepsilon)^2 - (s_y + \varepsilon)^2 &= s_y^2 - 2 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y + \varepsilon^2 - (s_y^2 + 2 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y + \varepsilon^2) \\ &= -4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y \end{aligned}$$

which combined with [eq: 10.54] gives

$$\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \text{ with } 0 < \varepsilon < s_y \text{ we have } -4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y^2 < s_y^2 - y < 4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y \quad (10.55)$$

or using [theorems: 10.14]

$$\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \text{ with } 0 < \varepsilon < s_y \text{ we have } -4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y^2 < y - s_y^2 < 4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y \quad (10.56)$$

Now as  $0 < s_y$  we have by [theorem: 10.26] a  $\varepsilon_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$0 < \varepsilon_0 < s_y \quad (10.57)$$

For  $s_y^2 - y$  we can have now the following possibilities:

$s_y^2 - y < 0$ . Take then  $\delta = y - s_y^2$  then  $0 < \delta$ . Take  $\varepsilon = \min(\delta / (4 \cdot s_y), \varepsilon_0)$  then we have as  $0 < 4 \cdot s_y, \varepsilon_0$  by [theorems: 10.14] that  $0 < \varepsilon$  and  $\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0 < s_y$  so we have by [eq: 10.56] that  $\delta = y - s_y^2 < 4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y$ . As  $4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y \leq (\delta / (4 \cdot s_y)) \cdot 4 \cdot s_y = \delta$  giving the contradiction  $\delta < \delta$ . So this case does not occur.

$0 < s_y^2 - y$ . Take then  $\delta = s_y^2 - y$  then  $0 < \delta$ . Take  $\varepsilon = \min(\delta / (4 \cdot s_y), \varepsilon_0)$  then we have as  $0 < 4 \cdot s_y, \varepsilon_0$  by [theorems: 10.14] that  $0 < \varepsilon$  and  $\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0 < s_y$  so we have by [eq: 10.55] that  $\delta = s_y^2 - y < 4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y$ . As  $4 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot s_y \leq (\delta / (4 \cdot s_y)) \cdot 4 \cdot s_y = \delta$  giving the contradiction  $\delta < \delta$ . So this case does not occur.

$s_y^2 - y = 0$ . Then  $y = s_y^2$

So the only valid case is where  $y = s_y^2$ , so if we take  $x = s_y$  then  $x^2 = y$ .

In all cases we have found a  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $y = x^2 = (.)^2(x)$  which proves surjectivity.  $\square$

**Definition 10.49. (Square Root)** Using the previous theorem [theorem: 10.48] we have that

$$(.)^2: \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+ \text{ defined by } (.)^2(x) = x \cdot x$$

is a bijection so that we have a inverse bijection

$$((.)^2)^{-1}: \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+$$

this inverse is called the square root mapping and noted by

$$\sqrt{\cdot}: \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+ \text{ where } \sqrt{\cdot} = ((.)^2)^{-1}$$

Hence if  $x \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  then  $\sqrt{(x^2)} = (\sqrt{\cdot} \circ (.)^2)(x) = i_{\mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+}(x) = x$  and  $(\sqrt{x})^2 = ((.)^2 \circ \sqrt{\cdot})(x) = i_{\mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+}(x)$

**Note 10.50.** The requirement that  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+$  in the above is required because  $(.)^2: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is not injective [for example  $(1)^2 = 1 = (-1)^2$ ]

**Example 10.51.**  $\sqrt{0} = 0$  and  $\sqrt{1} = 1$

**Proof.** First as by [corollary: 10.11]  $0 < 1$  so that  $\sqrt{0}$  and  $\sqrt{1}$  are well defined. As  $0^2 = 0 \cdot 0 = 0$  we have  $\sqrt{0} = ((.)^2)^{-1}(0) = 0$ . Further from  $1^2 = 1 \cdot 1 = 1$  we have that  $\sqrt{1} = ((.)^2)^{-1}(1) = 1$ .  $\square$

**Note 10.52.** As  $2 \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$   $\sqrt{2}$  exist however  $\sqrt{2} \notin \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  so that  $\sqrt{2} \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$  or  $\sqrt{2}$  is a irrational number.

**Proof.** Assume that  $\sqrt{2} \in \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{R}}$ , as by [theorem: 10.6]  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}: \langle \mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{C}}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a ring isomorphism there exist a  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(q) = \sqrt{2}$ , hence:

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(q \cdot q) &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(q) \cdot i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(q) \\ &= \sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{2} \\ &= 2 \\ &= 1 + 1 \\ &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(1) + i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(1) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(1 + 1) \\ &= i_{\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}}(2) \end{aligned}$$

so that by injectivity we have that  $q \cdot q = 2$  which by [theorem: 8.41] is impossible.  $\square$

**Theorem 10.53.**  $\sqrt{\cdot}: \mathbb{R}_0^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$  is strictly increasing

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction. Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+$  be such that  $x < y$  and assume that  $\sqrt{y} \leq \sqrt{x}$ , then as  $\sqrt{x}, \sqrt{y} \in \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+$  we can use [theorems: 10.14] getting  $y = \sqrt{y} \cdot \sqrt{y} \leq \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y}$  and  $\sqrt{y} \cdot \sqrt{x} \leq \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{x} = x$ , so  $y \leq x$  contradicting  $x < y$ . Hence we must have that  $\sqrt{x} < \sqrt{y}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 10.54.** If  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  and  $a \in \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+$  then we have

1.  $x^2 = a \Leftrightarrow x = \sqrt{a} \vee x = -\sqrt{a}$
2.  $x^2 \leq a \Leftrightarrow -\sqrt{a} \leq x \leq \sqrt{a}$
3.  $x^2 < a \Leftrightarrow -\sqrt{a} < x < \sqrt{a}$

**Proof.**

1.

$\Rightarrow$ . For  $x$  we have either:

$0 \leq x$ . Then by [definition: 10.49] we have  $x = \sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{a}$

$x < 0$ . Then  $0 < -x$  and  $(-x)^2 = x^2 = a$  so that by [definition: 10.49] that  $-x = \sqrt{(-x)^2} = \sqrt{a}$  giving  $x = -\sqrt{a}$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $x = \sqrt{a}$  then  $x^2 = (\sqrt{a})^2 = a$  and if  $x = -\sqrt{a}$  we have  $x^2 = (-\sqrt{a})^2 = (\sqrt{a})^2 = a$

2.

$\Rightarrow$ . For  $x$  we have either

$0 \leq x$ . As  $0 \leq \sqrt{a}$  it follows that  $-\sqrt{a} \leq 0 \leq x$ . Further assume that  $\sqrt{a} < x$  then by [theorems: 10.14] and  $0 \leq \sqrt{a}, x$  we have  $a = (\sqrt{a})^2 < x^2$  contradicting  $x^2 \leq a$ , so we must have  $x \leq \sqrt{a}$ . So  $-\sqrt{a} \leq x \leq \sqrt{a}$ .

$x < 0$ . Then as  $0 \leq \sqrt{a} \Rightarrow -\sqrt{a} \leq 0$  we have  $x < \sqrt{a}$ . Further assume that  $\sqrt{a} < -x$  we have by [theorems: 10.14] and  $0 \leq \sqrt{a}, -x$  that  $a = (\sqrt{a})^2 < (-x)^2 = x^2$  contradicting  $x^2 \leq a$ , hence  $-x \leq \sqrt{a}$  or  $-\sqrt{a} \leq x$ . So  $-\sqrt{a} \leq x < \sqrt{a} \Rightarrow -\sqrt{a} \leq x \leq \sqrt{a}$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . For  $x$  we have either

$0 \leq x$ . Then from  $x \leq \sqrt{a}$  and  $0 \leq \sqrt{a}$  we have by [theorems: 10.14] that  $x^2 \leq (\sqrt{a})^2 = a$ .

$x < 0$ . Then from  $-\sqrt{a} \leq x \Rightarrow -x \leq \sqrt{a}$  and  $0 \leq \sqrt{a}, -x$  we have by [theorems: 10.14] that  $x^2 = (-x)^2 \leq (\sqrt{a})^2 = a$ .

3.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $x = \sqrt{a}$  or  $x = -\sqrt{a}$  then by (1)  $x^2 = a$  contradicting  $x^2 < a$  hence we must have that  $x \neq \sqrt{a}$  and  $x \neq -\sqrt{a}$ . Using (2) we have that  $-\sqrt{a} \leq x \leq \sqrt{a}$  so that  $-\sqrt{a} < x < \sqrt{a}$ .

$\Leftarrow$ . As  $-\sqrt{a} < x < \sqrt{a}$  we have  $x \neq \sqrt{a}$  and  $x \neq -\sqrt{a}$  so that by (1)  $x^2 \neq a$ , further by (2) we have  $x^2 \leq a$  so that  $x^2 < a$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 10.55.** If  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then  $x \leq \sqrt{x^2}$

**Proof.** Using [theorem: 10.14] we have that  $0 \leq x^2 \leq x^2$  by [theorem: 10.54] we have either:

$x = \sqrt{x^2}$ . Then trivial  $x \leq \sqrt{x^2}$

$x = -\sqrt{x^2}$ . Then  $0 \leq \sqrt{x^2} = -x$  so that by [theorem: 10.14]  $x \leq -0 = 0$  which as  $0 \leq \sqrt{x^2}$  proves that  $x \leq \sqrt{x^2}$ .  $\square$



**Theorem 10.56.** *If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+$  then  $\sqrt{x \cdot y} = \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y}$*

**Proof.** As  $(\sqrt{x \cdot y})^2 = x \cdot y = (\sqrt{x})^2 \cdot (\sqrt{y})^2 = (\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y})^2$  we have by the fact that  $(\cdot)^2: \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+$  is a bijection and thus injective so we have  $\sqrt{x \cdot y} = \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 10.57.** *Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+$  then  $\sqrt{x+y} \leq \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}$*

**Proof.** We prove this by contradiction, so assume that  $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} < \sqrt{x+y}$ . Then by [theorem: 10.14] we have that  $(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y})^2 < (\sqrt{x+y})^2 = x + y$ . Now

$$(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y})^2 = (\sqrt{x})^2 + (\sqrt{y})^2 + 2 \cdot \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y} = x + y + 2 \cdot \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y}$$

so that we have that  $x + y + 2 \cdot \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y} < x + y$  or  $2 \cdot \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y} < 0$  giving

$$\sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y} < 0$$

As  $0 \leq \sqrt{x}$  and  $0 \leq \sqrt{y}$  we have by [theorem: 10.14] that  $0 \leq \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y}$  contradicting the above. So we must have that  $\sqrt{x+y} \leq \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}$ .  $\square$

## 10.5 Operations on Complex numbers

### 10.5.1 Notation of complex numbers

Note that the additive neutral element  $(0, 0)$  is noted as 0 and the multiplicative unit element  $(1, 0)$  is noted as 1. In the following definition we have also a special notation for  $(0, 1)$ .

**Definition 10.58.**  *$i \in \mathbb{C}$  is defined as  $i = (0, 1)$  so that as  $0 \neq 1$  we have that  $i \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$ .*

**Theorem 10.59.** *For  $i$  we have*

1.  $i \cdot i = -1$
2. *If  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  then there exists **unique**  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $z = x + i \cdot y$*

**Proof.**

1.  $i \cdot 1 = (0, 1) \cdot (0, 1) = (0 \cdot 0 - 1 \cdot 1, 0 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 0) = (-1, 0) = -(1, 0) = -1$
2. *If  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  then  $\exists x', y' \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $z = (x', y')$ , define then  $x = (x', 0) \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  and  $y = (y', 0) \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then we have*

$$\begin{aligned} x + i \cdot y &= (x', 0) + (0, 1) \cdot (y', 0) \\ &= (x', 0) + (0 \cdot y' + 1 \cdot 0, 0 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot y') \\ &= (x', 0) + (0, y') \\ &= (x', y') \\ &= z \end{aligned}$$

*Further if  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $z = u + i \cdot v$  then  $\exists u', v' \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $z = u + i \cdot v$  then we have*

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y) &= u + i \cdot v \\ &= (u', 0) + (0, 1) \cdot (v', 0) \\ &= (u', 0) + (0 \cdot v' + 1 \cdot 0, 0 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot v') \\ &= (u', 0) + (0, v') \\ &= (u', v') \end{aligned}$$

*so that  $x' = u'$  and  $y' = v'$  hence  $x = (x', 0) = (u', 0) = u$  and  $y = (y', 0) = (v', 0) = v$  proving uniqueness*  $\square$

**Note 10.60.** We have now two ways to **uniquely** represent  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  either  $z = x + i \cdot y$  where  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  or  $z = (x, y)$  where  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . In this book we follow the common practice of using the first representation.

**Definition 10.61. (Real & Imaginair part)** *The above theorem allows us to define the following functions*

$$\text{Re}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \text{ is defined by } \text{Re}(x + i \cdot y) = x$$

and

$$\text{Img}: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \text{ by } \text{Img}(x + i \cdot y) \rightarrow y$$

So  $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}$  we have that

$$z = \text{Re}(z) + i \cdot \text{Img}(z)$$

**Theorem 10.62.** *We have the following properties for Re and Img*

1.  $z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \Leftrightarrow z = \text{Re}(z)$
2.  $z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \Leftrightarrow \text{Img}(z) = 0$
3.  $\forall z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$  we have  $\text{Re}(z_1 + z_2) = \text{Re}(z_1) + \text{Re}(z_2)$
4.  $\forall z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$  we have  $\text{Img}(z_1 + z_2) = \text{Img}(z_1) + \text{Img}(z_2)$

**Proof.**

1.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then  $z = z + i \cdot 0$  where  $z, 0 \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  so that  $\text{Re}(z) = z$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $z = \text{Re}(z)$  then as  $\text{Re}(z) \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have  $z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$

2.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then  $z = z + i \cdot 0$  where  $z, 0 \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  so that  $\text{Img}(z) = 0$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $\text{Img}(z) = 0$  then  $z = \text{Re}(z) + \text{Img}(z) = \text{Re}(z) \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$

3.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re}(z_1 + z_2) &= \text{Re}((\text{Re}(z_1) + i \cdot \text{Img}(z_1)) + (\text{Re}(z_2) + i \cdot \text{Img}(z_2))) \\ &= \text{Re}((\text{Re}(z_1) + \text{Re}(z_2)) + i \cdot (\text{Img}(z_1) + \text{Img}(z_2))) \\ &= \text{Re}(z_1) + \text{Re}(z_2) \end{aligned}$$

4.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mg}(z_1 + z_2) &= \text{Img}((\text{Re}(z_1) + i \cdot \text{Img}(z_1)) + (\text{Re}(z_2) + i \cdot \text{Img}(z_2))) \\ &= \text{Img}((\text{Re}(z_1) + \text{Re}(z_2)) + i \cdot (\text{Img}(z_1) + \text{Img}(z_2))) \\ &= \text{Img}(z_1) + \text{Img}(z_2) \end{aligned}$$

□

## 10.5.2 Norm on $\mathbb{C}$

**Definition 10.63. (Conjugate)** *Let  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  then the **conjugate** of  $z$  noted as  $\bar{z}$  is defined as*

$$\bar{z} = \text{Re}(z) - i \cdot \text{Img}(z)$$

**Theorem 10.64.** *The conjugate has the following properties*

1.  $\bar{i} = -i$
2.  $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}$  we have  $\overline{(\bar{z})} = z$
3.  $\forall z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$  we have  $\overline{z_1 + z_2} = \bar{z}_1 + \bar{z}_2$

4.  $\forall z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$  we have  $\overline{z_1 \cdot z_2} = \overline{z_1} \cdot \overline{z_2}$
5.  $\forall z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  we have  $\overline{z^{-1}} = (\overline{z})^{-1}$
6.  $\forall z_1 \in \mathbb{C}, \forall z_2 \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  we have  $\overline{z_1 / z_2} = \overline{z_1} / \overline{z_2}$
7.  $z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \Leftrightarrow z = \overline{z}$
8.  $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}$  we have that  $z \cdot z = \operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2 \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$
9.  $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}$  we have  $z + \overline{z} = 2 \cdot \operatorname{Re}(z)$
10.  $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}$  we have  $\overline{-z} = -\overline{z}$

**Proof.**

1. As  $i = 0 + i \cdot 1$  we have that  $\operatorname{Re}(i) = 1$  and  $\operatorname{Im}(i) = 1$  so that  $\overline{i} = \operatorname{Re}(i) - i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(i) = 0 - i = -i$
2.  $\overline{\overline{z}} = \overline{\operatorname{Re}(z) - i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z)} = \operatorname{Re}(z) - (-\operatorname{Im}(z)) = \operatorname{Re}(z) + i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z)$
- 3.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \overline{z_1 + z_2} &= \operatorname{Re}(z_1 + z_2) - i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z_1 + z_2) \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 10.62}]}{=} \operatorname{Re}(z_1) + \operatorname{Re}(z_2) - i \cdot (\operatorname{Im}(z_1) + \operatorname{Im}(z_2)) \\
 &= (\operatorname{Re}(z_1) - i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z_1)) + (\operatorname{Re}(z_2) - i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z_2)) \\
 &= \overline{z_1} + \overline{z_2}
 \end{aligned}$$

4.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \overline{z_1 * z_2} &= \overline{(\operatorname{Re}(z_1) + i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z_1)) \cdot (\operatorname{Re}(z_2) + i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z_2))} \\
 &= \overline{\operatorname{Re}(z_1) \cdot \operatorname{Re}(z_2) - \operatorname{Im}(z_1) \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z_2) + i \cdot (\operatorname{Re}(z_1) \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z_2) + \operatorname{Im}(z_1) \cdot \operatorname{Re}(z_2))} \\
 &= \operatorname{Re}(z_1) \cdot \operatorname{Re}(z_2) - \operatorname{Im}(z_1) \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z_2) - i \cdot (\operatorname{Re}(z_1) \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z_2) + \operatorname{Im}(z_1) \cdot \operatorname{Re}(z_2)) \\
 &= (\operatorname{Re}(z_1) - i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z_1)) \cdot (\operatorname{Re}(z_2) - i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z_2)) \\
 &= \overline{z_1} \cdot \overline{z_2}
 \end{aligned}$$

5. We have  $\overline{z^{-1}} \cdot \overline{z} = \overline{z} \cdot \overline{z^{-1}} \stackrel{(4)}{=} \overline{z \cdot z^{-1}} = \overline{1} = \overline{1 + i \cdot 0} = 1 - i \cdot 0 = 1$  proving that  $(\overline{z})^{-1} = \overline{z^{-1}}$

$$6. \overline{z_1 / z_2} = \overline{z_1 \cdot z_2^{-1}} \stackrel{(4)}{=} \overline{z_1} \cdot \overline{z_2^{-1}} \stackrel{(5)}{=} \overline{z_1} \cdot (\overline{z_2})^{-1} = \overline{z_1} / \overline{z_2}$$

7.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow. \text{ If } z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \text{ then } \overline{z} &= \operatorname{Re}(z) - i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 10.62}]}{=} \operatorname{Re}(z) - i \cdot 0 = \operatorname{Re}(z) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 10.62}]}{=} z \\
 \Leftarrow. \text{ If } z = \overline{z} \text{ then } \operatorname{Re}(z) + i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z) &= \operatorname{Re}(z) - i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z) \Rightarrow 2 \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z) = 0 \Rightarrow \operatorname{Im}(z) = 0 \text{ so} \\
 &\text{that } z = \operatorname{Re}(z) \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \text{ [see theorem: 10.62]}
 \end{aligned}$$

8.

$$\begin{aligned}
 z \cdot \overline{z} &= (\operatorname{Re}(z) + i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z)) \cdot (\operatorname{Re}(z) - i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z)) \\
 &= \operatorname{Re}(z) \cdot \operatorname{Re}(z) - i \cdot \operatorname{Re}(z) \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z) + i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z) \cdot \operatorname{Re}(z) + i \cdot (-i) \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z) \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z) \\
 &= \operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

As  $\operatorname{Re}(z), \operatorname{Im}(z) \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have by [theorem: 10.14] that  $0 \leq \operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2$  so that  $z \cdot z \in \mathbb{R}_{0, \mathbb{C}}^+$ .

$$9. z + \overline{z} = (\operatorname{Re}(z) + i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z)) + (\operatorname{Re}(z) - i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z)) = 2 \cdot \operatorname{Re}(z)$$

10.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \overline{-z} &= \overline{-(\operatorname{Re}(z) + i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z))} \\
 &= \overline{-\operatorname{Re}(z) + i \cdot (-\operatorname{Im}(z))} \\
 &= -\operatorname{Re}(z) - i \cdot (-\operatorname{Im}(z)) \\
 &= -(\operatorname{Re}(z) - i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z)) \\
 &= -\overline{z}
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Using the above theorem we have that  $\forall z \in \mathbb{C} \ z \cdot \bar{z} \in \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+$  so that  $\sqrt{z \cdot \bar{z}} \in \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+$  is well defined, hence the following definition makes sense.

**Definition 10.65. (complex norm)**

$$||: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{0,\mathbb{C}}^+ \text{ is defined by } |z| = \sqrt{z \cdot \bar{z}} \underset{[\text{theorem: 10.64}]}{=} \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2}$$

**Theorem 10.66.**  $\forall z, z' \in \mathbb{C}$  we have

1.  $|z \cdot z'| = |z| \cdot |z'|$
2.  $|\bar{z}| = |z|$
3.  $\operatorname{Re}(z) \leq |\operatorname{Re}(z)| \leq_{\mathbb{R}} |z|$  and  $\operatorname{Im}(z) \leq |\operatorname{Im}(z)| \leq_{\mathbb{R}} |z|$
4.  $z \cdot \bar{z} = |z|^2$
5.  $|z + z'| \leq |z| + |z'|$
6.  $|-z| = |z|$
7.  $|1| = |-1| = |i| = 1$
8.  $|z| \leq |\operatorname{Re}(z)| + |\operatorname{Im}(z)|$
9.  $|z| = 0 \Leftrightarrow z = 0$
10. If  $z \neq 0$  then  $|z^{-1}| = |z|^{-1}$  or in other words  $|1/z| = 1/|z|$
11. If  $z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  then

$$|z| = \begin{cases} z & \text{if } 0 \leq z \\ -z & \text{if } z < 0 \end{cases}$$

**Proof.**

1.

$$\begin{aligned} |z \cdot z'| &= \sqrt{(z \cdot z') \cdot \overline{(z \cdot z')}} \\ &\underset{[\text{theorem: 10.64}]}{=} \sqrt{(z \cdot z') \cdot (\bar{z} \cdot \bar{z}')} \\ &= \sqrt{(z \cdot \bar{z}) \cdot (z' \cdot \bar{z}')} \\ &\underset{[\text{theorem: 10.56}]}{=} \sqrt{z \cdot \bar{z}} \cdot \sqrt{z' \cdot \bar{z}'} \\ &= |z| \cdot |z'| \end{aligned}$$

$$2. |\bar{z}| = \sqrt{(\bar{z}) \cdot \overline{\bar{z}}} \underset{[\text{theorem: 10.64}]}{=} \sqrt{z \cdot \bar{z}} = |z|$$

3. Using [corollary: 10.55] we have that

$$\operatorname{Re}(z) \leq \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2} = \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + 0^2} = |\operatorname{Re}(z)|$$

and

$$\operatorname{Im}(z) \leq \sqrt{\operatorname{Im}(z)^2} = \sqrt{0^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2} = |\operatorname{Im}(z)|$$

Further as  $\operatorname{Re}(z)^2 \leq \operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2$  and  $\operatorname{Im}(z)^2 \leq \operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2$  and [theorem: 10.53]  $\sqrt{\cdot}$  is increasing it follows that

$$\sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2} \leq \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2} = |z| \text{ and } \sqrt{\operatorname{Im}(z)^2} \leq \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2} = |z|$$

so that  $\operatorname{Re}(z) \leq |\operatorname{Re}(z)| \leq_{\mathbb{R}} |z|$  and  $\operatorname{Im}(z) \leq |\operatorname{Im}(z)| \leq_{\mathbb{R}} |z|$ .

$$4. |z|^2 = (\sqrt{z \cdot \bar{z}})^2 \underset{0 \leq z \cdot \bar{z}}{=} z \cdot \bar{z}$$

5. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |z + z'|^2 &\stackrel{(5)}{=} (z + z') \cdot \overline{(z + z')} \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 10.64}]}{=} (z + z') \cdot (\bar{z} + \bar{z}') \\
 &= z \cdot \bar{z} + z \cdot \bar{z}' + z' \cdot \bar{z} + z' \cdot \bar{z}' \\
 &\stackrel{(4)}{=} |z|^2 + |z'|^2 + z \cdot \bar{z}' + z' \cdot \bar{z} \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 10.64}]}{=} |z|^2 + |z'|^2 + z \cdot \bar{z}' + \overline{z \cdot \bar{z}'} \\
 &\stackrel{[\text{theorem: 10.64}]}{=} |z|^2 + |z'|^2 + 2 \cdot \operatorname{Re}(z \cdot \bar{z}') \\
 &\leq_{(3)} |z|^2 + |z'|^2 + 2 \cdot |z \cdot \bar{z}'| \\
 &\stackrel{(1)}{=} |z|^2 + |z'|^2 + 2 \cdot z \cdot \bar{z}' \\
 &= (|z| + |z'|)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

which as  $\sqrt{\cdot}$  is increasing [see theorem: 10.53] we have that

$$|z + z'| = \sqrt{|z + z'|^2} \leq \sqrt{(|z| + |z'|)^2} = |z| + |z'|$$

$$6. |-z| = \sqrt{(-z) \cdot \overline{(-z)}} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 10.64}]}{=} \sqrt{(-z) \cdot (-\bar{z})} = \sqrt{z \cdot \bar{z}} = |z|$$

7.

$$|-1| \stackrel{(6)}{=} |1| = \sqrt{1 \cdot \bar{1}} \stackrel{1 \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}} \text{ and } [\text{theorem: 10.64}]}{=} \sqrt{1 \cdot 1} = \sqrt{1} \stackrel{[\text{example: 10.51}]}{=} 1$$

and

$$|i| = \sqrt{i \cdot \bar{i}} \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 10.64}]}{=} \sqrt{-(i \cdot i)} = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

$$8. |z| = |\operatorname{Re}(z) + i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z)| \leq_{(5)} |\operatorname{Re}(z)| + |i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z)| \stackrel{(4)}{=} |\operatorname{Re}(z)| + |i| \cdot |\operatorname{Im}(z)| \stackrel{(7)}{=} |\operatorname{Re}(z)| + |\operatorname{Im}(z)|$$

9.

$\Rightarrow$ . If  $z = 0$  then  $z = 0 + i \cdot 0$  so that  $\operatorname{Re}(z) = \operatorname{Im}(z) = 0$  hence

$$|z| = \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2} = \sqrt{0^2 + 0^2} \stackrel{[\text{example: 10.51}]}{=} 0$$

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $|z| = 0$  then  $\sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2} = 0 \stackrel{[\text{example: 10.51}]}{=} \sqrt{0}$  so as  $\sqrt{\cdot}$  is injective it follows that  $\operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2 = 0$ . Using [theorem: 10.14] we have that  $0 \leq \operatorname{Re}(z)^2$ ,  $\operatorname{Im}(z)^2$  so that by [theorem: 10.14] again we have that

$$\operatorname{Re}(z)^2, \operatorname{Im}(z)^2 \leq \operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2$$

If now either  $\operatorname{Re}(z) \neq 0$  or  $\operatorname{Im}(z) \neq 0$  then by [theorem: 10.14]  $0 < \operatorname{Re}(z)$  or  $0 < \operatorname{Im}(z)$  which would give  $0 < \operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2$  contradicting  $\operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2 = 0$ . Hence we have that  $\operatorname{Re}(z) = 0 = \operatorname{Im}(z)$  so that  $z = \operatorname{Re}(z) + i \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z) = 0$ .

$$10. \text{ If } z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \text{ then as } 1 = z \cdot z^{-1} \text{ we have } 1 \stackrel{(7)}{=} |1| = |z \cdot z^{-1}| \stackrel{(1)}{=} |z| \cdot |z^{-1}| \text{ so that } |z^{-1}| = |z|^{-1}$$

$$11. \text{ If } z \in \mathbb{R}_{0, \mathbb{C}}^+ \text{ then we have } \operatorname{Re}(z) \stackrel{[\text{theorem: 10.62}]}{=} z \in \mathbb{R}_{0, \mathbb{C}}^+ \text{ so that}$$

$$z = \operatorname{Re}(z) = \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2} = \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2} = |z|$$

proving that

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{R}_{0, \mathbb{C}}^+ \text{ we have } z = |z| \tag{10.58}$$

Now if  $z \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathbb{C}}$  we have either

**0 ≤ z.** Then  $z \in \mathbb{R}_{0, \mathbb{C}}^+$  and by [eq: 10.58] we have  $z = |z|$

$z < \mathbf{0}$ . Then  $0 < -z$  so that by [eq: 10.58] we have  $-z = |-z| \stackrel{(6)}{=} |z|$  proving  $-z = |z|$ .  $\square$

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