Summary of Halmos' Naive Set Theory

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Chapter 1

Primitive Terms and Axioms

Let there be *sets*. We assume that everything is a set.

Let there be a binary relation of *membership*, $\in$. If $x \in A$ we say that x *belongs* to A, x is an *element* of A, or x is *contained* in A. If this does not hold we write $x \notin A$.

Axiom 1.1 (Axiom of Extensionality). *Two sets are equal if and only if they have the same elements.*

Axiom 1.2 (Axiom of Comprehension, Aussonderungsaxiom). *To every set A and to every condition $S(x)$ there corresponds a set B whose elements are exactly those elements x of A for which $S(x)$ holds.*

Axiom 1.3. *A set exists.*

Axiom 1.4 (Axiom of Pairing). *For any two sets, there exists a set that they both belong to.*

Axiom 1.5 (Union Axiom). *For every set A, there exists a set that contains all the elements that belong to at least one element of A.*

Definition 1.6 (Subset). Let A and B be sets. We say that A is a *subset* of B, or B *includes* A, and write $A \subseteq B$ or $B \supseteq A$, iff every element of A is an element of B.

Axiom 1.7 (Power Set Axiom). *For any set A, there exists a set that contains all the subsets of A.*

Chapter 2

The Subset Relation

Theorem 2.1. *For any set A, we have $A \subseteq A$.*

Proof: Every element of A is an element of A. $\square$

Theorem 2.2. *For any sets A, B and C, if $A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq C$ then $A \subseteq C$.*

Proof: If every element of A is an element of B, and every element of B is an element of C, then every element of A is an element of C. $\square$

Theorem 2.3. *For any sets A and B, if $A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq A$ then $A = B$.*

Proof: If every element of A is an element of B, and every element of B is an element of A, then A and B have the same elements, and therefore are equal by the Axiom of Extensionality. $\square$

Definition 2.4 (Proper Subset)**.** Let A and B be sets. We say that A is a *proper* subset of B, or B *properly* includes A, and write $A \subsetneq B$ or $B \supsetneq A$, iff $A \subseteq B$ and $A \neq B$.

Chapter 3

Comprehension Notation

Definition 3.1. Given a set A and a condition $S(x)$, we write $\{x \in A : S(x)\}$ for the set whose elements are exactly those elements x of A for which $S(x)$ holds.

PROOF: This exists by the Axiom of Comprehension and is unique by the Axiom of Extensionality. □

Theorem 3.2. *There is no set that contains every set.*

PROOF:
⟨1⟩1. LET: A be a set.
PROVE: There exists a set B such that $B \notin A$.
⟨1⟩2. LET: $B = \{x \in A : x \notin x\}$
⟨1⟩3. If $B \in A$ then we have $B \in B$ if and only if $B \notin B$.
⟨1⟩4. $B \notin A$
□

Chapter 4

Unordered Pairs

Theorem 4.1. *There exists a set with no elements.*

PROOF: Pick a set A by Axiom 1.3. Then the set $\{x \in A : x \neq x\}$ has no elements. □

Definition 4.2 (Empty Set)**.** The *empty set* $\varnothing$ is the set with no elements.

Theorem 4.3. *For any set A we have $\varnothing \subset A$.*

PROOF: Vacuous. □

Definition 4.4 ((Unordered) Pair)**.** For any sets a and b, the *(unordered) pair* $\{a, b\}$ is the set whose elements are just a and b.

PROOF: This exists by the Axioms of Pairing and Comprehension, and is unique by the Axiom of Extensionality. □

Definition 4.5 (Singleton)**.** For any set a, the *singleton* $\{a\}$ is defined to be $\{a, a\}$.

Chapter 5

Unions

Definition 5.1 (Union)**.** For any set $\mathcal{C}$, the *union* of $\mathcal{C}$, $\bigcup \mathcal{C}$, is the set whose elements are the elements of the elements of $\mathcal{C}$.

We write $\bigcup_{X \in \mathcal{A}} t[X]$ for $\bigcup \{t[X] \mid X \in \mathcal{A}\}$.

PROOF: This exists by the Union Axiom and Comprehension Axiom, and is unique by the Axiom of Extensionality. □

Proposition 5.2.

$$\bigcup \emptyset = \emptyset$$

PROOF: There is no set that is an element of an element of $\emptyset$. □

Proposition 5.3. *For any set A, we have $\bigcup \{A\} = A$.*

PROOF: For any x, we have x is an element of an element of $\{A\}$ if and only if x is an element of A. □

Definition 5.4. We write $A \cup B$ for $\bigcup \{A, B\}$.

Proposition 5.5. *For any set A, we have $A \cup \emptyset = A$.*

PROOF: $x \in A \cup \emptyset$ iff $x \in A$ or $x \in \emptyset$, iff $x \in A$. □

Proposition 5.6 (Idempotence)**.** *For any set A, we have $A \cup A = A$.*

PROOF: $x \in A$ or $x \in A$ is equivalent to $x \in A$. □

Proposition 5.7. *For any sets A and B, we have $A \subseteq B$ if and only if $A \cup B = B$.*

PROOF: For any x, the statement "if $x \in A$ then $x \in B$" is equivalent to "$x \in A$ or $x \in B$ if and only if $x \in B$". □

Proposition 5.8. *For any sets a and b, we have $\{a\} \cup \{b\} = \{a, b\}$.*

PROOF: Immediate from definitions. □

Chapter 6

Intersections

Definition 6.1 (Intersection)**.** For any sets A and B, the *intersection* $A \cap B$ is defined to be $\{x \in A : x \in B\}$.

Proposition 6.2. *For any set A, we have $A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$.*

PROOF: There is no x such that $x \in A$ and $x \in \emptyset$. □

Proposition 6.3. *For any set A, we have*

$$A \cap A = A \ .$$

PROOF: We have $x \in A$ and $x \in A$ if and only if $x \in A$. □

Proposition 6.4. *For any sets A and B, we have $A \subseteq B$ if and only if $A \cap B = A$.*

PROOF: For any x, the statement "if $x \in A$ then $x \in B$" is equivalent to "$x \in A$ and $x \in B$ if and only if $x \in A$". □

Proposition 6.5. *For any sets A, B and C, we have $C \subseteq A$ if and only if $(A \cap B) \cup C = A \cap (B \cup C)$.*

PROOF: The statement "if $x \in C$ then $x \in A$" is equivalent to the statement "$((x \in A \wedge x \in B) \vee x \in C) \Leftrightarrow (x \in A \wedge (x \in B \vee x \in C))$". □

Definition 6.6 (Disjoint)**.** Two sets A and B are *disjoint* if and only if $A \cap B = \emptyset$.

Definition 6.7 (Pairwise Disjoint)**.** Let A be a set. We say the elements of A are *pairwise disjoint* if and only if, for all $x, y \in A$, if $x \cap y \neq \emptyset$ then $x = y$.

Definition 6.8 (Intersection)**.** For any nonempty set $\mathcal{C}$, the *intersection* of $\mathcal{C}$, $\bigcap \mathcal{C}$, is the set that contains exactly those sets that belong to every element of $\mathcal{C}$.

We write $\bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{A}} t[X]$ for $\bigcap \{t[X] \mid X \in \mathcal{A}\}$.

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. LET: $\mathcal{C}$ be a nonempty set.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. There exists a set I whose elements are exactly the sets that belong to every element of $\mathcal{C}$.

PROOF: Pick $A \in \mathcal{C}$, and take $I = \{x \in A : \forall X \in \mathcal{C}. x \in X\}$.

$\langle 1 \rangle 3$. For any sets I, J, if the elements of I and J are exactly the sets that belong to every element of $\mathcal{C}$ then $I = J$.

PROOF: Axiom of Extensionality.

$\square$

Chapter 7

Unordered Triples

Definition 7.1 ((Unordered) Triple)**.** Given sets a_1, …, a_n, define the *(unordered) n-tuple* $\{a_1, \ldots, a_n\}$ to be

$$\{a_1, \ldots, a_n\} := \{a_1\} \cup \cdots \cup \{a_n\} \ .$$

Chapter 8

Relative Complements

Definition 8.1 (Relative Complement)**.** For any sets A and B, the *difference* or *relative complement* $A - B$ is defined to be

$$A - B := \{x \in A : x \notin B\} \ .$$

Proposition 8.2. *For any sets A and E, we have $A \subseteq E$ if and only if*

$$E - (E - A) = A$$

Proof:
$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. Let: A and E be sets.
$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. If $A \subseteq E$ then $E - (E - A) = A$
  $\langle 2 \rangle 1$. Assume: $A \subseteq E$
  $\langle 2 \rangle 2$. $E - (E - A) \subseteq A$
    Proof: If $x \in E$ and $x \notin E - A$ then $x \in A$.
  $\langle 2 \rangle 3$. $A \subseteq E - (E - A)$
    Proof: If $x \in A$ then $x \in E$ and $x \notin E - A$.
$\langle 1 \rangle 3$. If $E - (E - A) = A$ then $A \subseteq E$.
  Proof: Since $E - (E - A) \subseteq E$.
$\square$

Proposition 8.3. *For any set E we have*

$$E - \emptyset = E$$

Proof: $x \in E$ if and only if $x \in E$ and $x \notin \emptyset$. $\square$

Proposition 8.4. *For any set E we have*

$$E - E = \emptyset \ .$$

Proof: There is no x such that $x \in E$ and $x \notin E$. $\square$

Proposition 8.5. *For any sets A and E, we have*

$$A \cap (E - A) = \emptyset \ .$$

Proof: There is no x such that $x \in A$ and $x \in E - A$. $\square$

Proposition 8.6. *Let A and E be sets. Then $A \subseteq E$ if and only if*

$$A \cup (E - A) = E \ .$$

Proof:
⟨1⟩1. Let: A and E be sets.
⟨1⟩2. If $A \subseteq E$ then $A \cup (E - A) = E$.
  ⟨2⟩1. Assume: $A \subseteq E$
  ⟨2⟩2. $A \cup (E - A) \subseteq E$
    Proof: If $x \in A$ or $x \in E - A$ then $x \in E$.
  ⟨2⟩3. $E \subseteq A \cup (E - A)$
    Proof: If $x \in E$ then either $x \in A$ or $x \notin A$. In the latter case, $x \in E - A$.
⟨1⟩3. If $A \cup (E - A) = E$ then $A \subseteq E$
  Proof: Since $A \subseteq A \cup (E - A)$.
$\square$

Proposition 8.7. *Let A, B and E be sets. Then:*

1. *If $A \subseteq B$ then $E - B \subseteq E - A$.*

2. *If $A \subseteq E$ and $E - B \subseteq E - A$ then $A \subseteq B$.*

Proof:
⟨1⟩1. Let: A, B and E be sets.
⟨1⟩2. If $A \subseteq B$ then $E - B \subseteq E - A$.
  Proof: If $A \subseteq B$, $x \in E$ and $x \notin B$, then we have $x \in E$ and $x \notin A$.
⟨1⟩3. If $A \subseteq E$ and $E - B \subseteq E - A$ then $A \subseteq B$.
  ⟨2⟩1. Assume: $A \subseteq E$
  ⟨2⟩2. Assume: $E - B \subseteq E - A$
  ⟨2⟩3. Let: $x \in A$
  ⟨2⟩4. $x \in E$
  ⟨2⟩5. $x \notin E - A$
  ⟨2⟩6. $x \notin E - B$
  ⟨2⟩7. $x \in B$
$\square$

Example 8.8. We cannot remove the hypothesis $A \subseteq E$ in item 2 above. Let $E = \emptyset$, $A = \{\emptyset\}$ and $B = \emptyset$. Then $E - B = E - A = \emptyset$ but $A \nsubseteq B$.

Proposition 8.9 (De Morgan's Law)**.** *For any sets A, B and E, we have $E - (A \cup B) = (E - A) \cap (E - B)$.*

Proof: $(x \in E \wedge \neg(x \in A \vee x \in B)) \Leftrightarrow (x \in E \wedge x \notin A \wedge x \in E \wedge x \notin B)$. $\square$

Proposition 8.10 (De Morgan's Law)**.** *For any sets A, B and E, we have $E - (A \cap B) = (E - A) \cup (E - B)$.*

Proof: $(x \in E \vee \neg(x \in A \wedge x \in B)) \Leftrightarrow (x \in E \wedge x \notin A) \vee (x \in E \wedge x \notin B)$. $\square$

Proposition 8.11. *For any sets A, B and E, if $A \subseteq E$ then*

$$A - B = A \cap (E - B) \ .$$

Proof: If $A \subseteq E$ then we have $(x \in A \wedge x \notin B) \Leftrightarrow (x \in A \wedge x \in E \wedge x \notin B)$. □

Proposition 8.12. *For any sets A and B, we have $A \subseteq B$ if and only if $A - B = \emptyset$.*

Proof: Both are equivalent to the statement that there is no x such that $x \in A$ and $x \notin B$. □

Proposition 8.13. *For any sets A and B, we have*

$$A - (A - B) = A \cap B \ .$$

Proof: $(x \in A \wedge \neg(x \in A \wedge x \notin B)) \Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge x \in B$. □

Proposition 8.14. *For any sets A, B and C, we have*

$$A \cap (B - C) = (A \cap B) - (A \cap C) \ .$$

Proof: $(x \in A \wedge x \in B \wedge x \notin C) \Leftrightarrow (x \in A \wedge x \in B \wedge \neg(x \in A \wedge x \in C))$. □

Proposition 8.15. *For any sets A, B, C and E, if $(A \cap B) - C \subseteq E$ then we have*

$$A \cap B \subseteq (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap (E - C)) \ .$$

Proof:
⟨1⟩1. Let: $x \in A \cap B$
Prove: $x \in (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap (E - C))$
⟨1⟩2. Case: $x \in C$
Proof: Then $x \in A \cap C$.
⟨1⟩3. Case: $x \notin C$
Proof: Then $x \in E$ and so $x \in B \cap (E - C)$.
□

Proposition 8.16. *For any sets A, B, C and E, we have*

$$(A \cup C) \cap (B \cup (E - C)) \subseteq A \cup B \ .$$

Proof: The statement $(x \in A \vee x \in C) \wedge (x \in B \vee (x \in E \wedge x \notin C))$ implies $x \in A \vee x \in B$. □

Proposition 8.17 (De Morgan's Law)**.** *Let E be a set and $\mathcal{C}$ a nonempty set. Then*

$$E - \bigcup \mathcal{C} = \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{C}} (E - X) \ .$$

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 8.18 (De Morgan's Law)**.** *Let E be a set and $\mathcal{C}$ a nonempty set. Then*

$$E - \bigcap \mathcal{C} = \bigcup_{X \in \mathcal{C}} (E - X) \ .$$

Proof: Easy. □

Chapter 9

Symmetric Difference

Definition 9.1 (Symmetric Difference)**.** For any sets A and B, the *symmetric difference* $A + B$ is defined to be

$$A + B := (A - B) \cup (B - A) \ .$$

Proposition 9.2. *For any sets A and B, we have*

$$A + B = B + A$$

Proof: From the commutativity of union. □

Proposition 9.3. *For any sets A, B and C, we have*

$$A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C \ .$$

Proof: Each is the set of all x that belong to either exactly one or all three of A, B and C. □

Proposition 9.4. *For any set A, we have*

$$A + \varnothing = A \ .$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} A + \varnothing &= (A - \varnothing) \cup (\varnothing - A) \\ &= A \cup \varnothing \\ &= A \end{aligned}$$ □

Proposition 9.5. *For any set A we have*

$$A + A = \varnothing \ .$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} A + A &= (A - A) \cup (A - A) \\ &= \varnothing \cup \varnothing \\ &= \varnothing \end{aligned}$$ □

Chapter 10

Power Sets

Definition 10.1 (Power Set)**.** For any set A, the *power set* of A, $\mathcal{P}A$, is the set whose elements are exactly the subsets of A.

Proof: This exists by the Power Set Axiom and Axiom of Comprehension, and is unique by the Axiom of Extensionality. □

Proposition 10.2.

$$\mathcal{P}\varnothing = \{\varnothing\}$$

Proof: The only subset of $\varnothing$ is $\varnothing$. □

Proposition 10.3. *For any set a, we have*

$$\mathcal{P}\{a\} = \{\varnothing, \{a\}\} \ .$$

Proof: The only subsets of $\{a\}$ are $\varnothing$ and $\{a\}$. □

Proposition 10.4. *For any sets a and b, we have*

$$\mathcal{P}\{a, b\} = \{\varnothing, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\} \ .$$

Proof: The only subsets of $\{a, b\}$ are $\varnothing$, $\{a\}$, $\{b\}$ and $\{a, b\}$. □

Proposition 10.5. *For any nonempty set $\mathcal{C}$ we have*

$$\bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{C}} \mathcal{P}X = \mathcal{P}\left(\bigcap \mathcal{C}\right) \ .$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \bigcup_{X \in \mathcal{C}} \mathcal{P}X &\Leftrightarrow \forall X \in \mathcal{C}. x \subseteq X \\ &\Leftrightarrow \forall X \in \mathcal{C}. \forall y \in x. y \in X \\ &\Leftrightarrow \forall y \in x. \forall X \in mathcalC. y \in X \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \subseteq \bigcap \mathcal{C} \end{aligned}$$

□

Proposition 10.6. *For any set $\mathcal{C}$ we have*

$$\bigcup_{X \in \mathcal{C}} \mathcal{P}X \subseteq \mathcal{P}\bigcup \mathcal{C} \ .$$

Proof: If there exists $X \in \mathcal{C}$ such that $x \subseteq X$ then $x \subseteq \bigcup \mathcal{C}$. $\square$

Proposition 10.7. *For any set E, we have*

$$\bigcap \mathcal{P}E = \varnothing \ .$$

Proof: Since $\varnothing \in \mathcal{P}E$. $\square$

Proposition 10.8. *For any sets E and F, if $E \subseteq F$ then $\mathcal{P}E \subseteq \mathcal{P}F$.*

Proof: If $E \subseteq F$ and $X \subseteq E$ then $X \subseteq F$. $\square$

Chapter 11

Ordered Pairs

Definition 11.1 (Ordered Pair)**.** For any sets a and b, the *ordered pair* (a, b) is defined by

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

Proposition 11.2. *For any sets a, b, x and y, if $(a, b) = (x, y)$ then $a = x$ and $b = y$.*

PROOF:
$\langle 1\rangle 1.$ LET: a, b, x and y be sets.
$\langle 1\rangle 2.$ ASSUME: $(a, b) = (x, y)$
$\langle 1\rangle 3.$ $a = x$
  PROOF: $\{a\} = \bigcap(a, b) = \bigcap(x, y) = \{x\}$.
$\langle 1\rangle 4.$ $\{a, b\} = \{x, y\}$
$\langle 1\rangle 5.$ CASE: $a = b$
  $\langle 2\rangle 1.$ $x = y$
    PROOF: Since $\{x, y\} = \{a, b\}$ is a singleton.
  $\langle 2\rangle 2.$ $b = y$
    PROOF: $b = a = x = y$
$\langle 1\rangle 6.$ CASE: $a \neq b$
  $\langle 2\rangle 1.$ $x \neq y$
    PROOF: Since $\{x, y\} = \{a, b\}$ is not a singleton.
  $\langle 2\rangle 2.$ $b = y$
    PROOF: $\{b\} = \{a, b\} - \{a\} = \{x, y\} - \{x\} = \{y\}$.
□

Definition 11.3 (Cartesian Product)**.** For any sets A and B, the *Cartesian product* $A \times B$ is

$$A \times B := \{p \in \mathcal{P}\mathcal{P}(A \cup B) : \exists a \in A. \exists b \in B. p = (a, b)\} \ .$$

Proposition 11.4. *For any sets A, B and X, we have*

$$(A - B) \times X = (A \times X) - (B \times X) \ .$$

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 11.5. *For any sets A and B, we have $A \times B = \varnothing$ if and only if $A = \varnothing$ or $B = \varnothing$.*

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 11.6. *For any sets A, B, X and Y, if $A \subseteq X$ and $B \subseteq Y$ then $A \times B \subseteq X \times Y$. The converse holds assuming $A \neq \varnothing$ and $B \neq \varnothing$.*

Proof: Easy. □

Chapter 12

Relations

Definition 12.1 (Relation)**.** A *relation* is a set of ordered pairs.

If R is a relation, we write xRy for $(x, y) \in R$.

Given sets X and Y, a relation *between* X *and* Y is a subset of $X \times Y$.

Given a set X, a relation *on* X is a relation between X and X.

Definition 12.2 (Domain)**.** The *domain* of a relation R is the set

$$\operatorname{dom} R := \{x \in \bigcup\bigcup R : \exists y.(x, y) \in R\} \ .$$

Definition 12.3 (Range)**.** The *range* of a relation R is the set

$$\operatorname{ran} R := \{y \in \bigcup\bigcup R : \exists x.(x, y) \in R\} \ .$$

Definition 12.4 (Reflexive)**.** Let R be a relation on X. Then R is *reflexive* iff, for all $x \in X$, we have xRx.

Definition 12.5 (Symmetric)**.** Let R be a relation on X. Then R is *symmetric* iff, whenever xRy, then yRx.

Definition 12.6 (Transitive)**.** Let R be a relation on X. Then R is *transitive* iff, whenever xRy and yRz, then xRz.

Definition 12.7 (Equivalence Relation)**.** Let R be a relation on X. Then R is an *equivalence relation* iff it is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

Definition 12.8 (Partition)**.** Let X be a set. A *partition* of X is a pairwise disjoint set of nonempty subsets of X whose union is X.

Definition 12.9 (Equivalence Class)**.** Let R be an equivalence relation on X. Let $x \in X$. The *equivalence class* of x with respect to R is

$$x/R := \{y \in X : xRy\} \ .$$

We write X/R for the set of all equivalence classes with respect to R.

Definition 12.10 (Induced)**.** Let P be a partition of X. The relation *induced* by P is X/P where $x(X/P)y$ iff there exists $X \in P$ such that $x \in X$ and $y \in X$.

Theorem 12.11. *Let R be an equivalence relation on X. Then X/R is a partition of X that induces the relation R.*

PROOF: Easy. □

Theorem 12.12. *Let P be a partition of X. Then X/P is an equivalence relation on X, and $P = X/(X/P)$.*

PROOF: Easy. □

Definition 12.13 (Composition)**.** Let R be a relation between X and Y, and S a relation between Y and Z. The *composite* or *relative product* $S \circ R = SR$ is the relation between X and Z defined by

$$x(S \circ R)z \Leftrightarrow \exists y \in Y(xRy \wedge ySz) \ .$$

Proposition 12.14. *Let R be a relation between X and Y, S a relation between Y and Z, and T a relation between Z and W. Then*

$$T(SR) = (TS)R \ .$$

PROOF: Easy. □

Example 12.15. Composition of relations is not commutative in general. Let $X = \{a, b\}$ where $a \neq b$. Let $R = \{(a, a), (b, a)\}$ and $S = \{(a, b), (b, b)\}$. Then $SR = S$ but $RS = R \neq S$.

Proposition 12.16. *A relation R is transitive if and only if $RR \subseteq R$.*

PROOF: Easy. □

Definition 12.17 (Inverse)**.** Let R be a relation between X and Y. The *inverse* or *converse* R^{-1} is the relation between Y and X defined by

$$yR^{-1}x \Leftrightarrow xRy \ .$$

Proposition 12.18. *For any relation R, we have*

$$\operatorname{dom} R^{-1} = \operatorname{ran} R \ .$$

PROOF: Easy. □

Proposition 12.19. *For any relation R, we have*

$$\operatorname{ran} R^{-1} = \operatorname{dom} R \ .$$

PROOF: Easy. □

Proposition 12.20. *Let R be a relation between X and Y, and S a relation between Y and Z. Then*

$$(SR)^{-1} = R^{-1}S^{-1} \ .$$

PROOF: Easy. □

Proposition 12.21. *A relation R is symmetric if and only if $R \subseteq R^{-1}$.*

PROOF: Easy. □

Definition 12.22 (Identity Relation)**.** For any set X, the *identity relation* I_X on X is

$$I_X = \{(x, x) : x \in X\} \ .$$

Proposition 12.23. *Let R be a relation between X and Y. Then*

$$I_Y R = R I_X = R \ .$$

PROOF: Easy. □

Proposition 12.24. *A relation R on a set X is reflexive if and only if $I_X \subseteq R$.*

PROOF: Easy. □

Chapter 13

Functions

Definition 13.1 (Function)**.** Let X and Y be sets. A *function, map, mapping, transformation* or *operator* f *from* X *to* Y, $f : X \to Y$, is a relation f between X and Y such that, for all $x \in X$, there exists a unique $f(x) \in Y$, called the *value* of f at the *argument* x, such that $(x, f(x)) \in f$.

Definition 13.2 (Onto)**.** Let $f : X \to Y$. We say f maps X *onto* Y iff $\operatorname{ran} f = Y$.

Definition 13.3 (Image)**.** Let $f : X \to Y$ and $A \subseteq X$. The *image* of A under f is

$$f(A) := \{f(x) : x \in A\} \ .$$

Definition 13.4 (Inclusion Map)**.** Let Y be a set and $X \subseteq Y$. Then the *inclusion map* $i : X \hookrightarrow Y$ is the function defined by $i(x) = x$ for all $x \in X$.

Proposition 13.5. *For any set X, the identity relation I_X is a function $X \to X$.*

PROOF: Easy. □

Definition 13.6 (Restriction)**.** Let $f : Y \to Z$ and $X \subseteq Y$. The *restriction* of f to X is the function $f \restriction X : X \to Z$ defined by

$$(f \restriction X)(x) = f(x) \qquad (x \in X) \ .$$

Given sets X, Y and Z with $X \subseteq Y$, if $f : X \to Z$ and $g : Y \to Z$, we say g is an *extension* of f to Y iff $f = g \restriction X$.

Definition 13.7 (Projection)**.** Given sets X and Y, the *projection* maps $\pi_1 : X \times Y \to X$ and $\pi_2 : X \times Y \to Y$ are defined by

$$\pi_1(x, y) = x, \qquad \pi_2(x, y) = y \qquad (x \in X, y \in Y) \ .$$

Definition 13.8 (Canonical Map)**.** Let X be a set and R an equivalence relation on X. The *canonical map* $\pi : X \to X/R$ is the map defined by $\pi(x) = x/R$.

Definition 13.9 (One-to-One)**.** A function $f : X \to Y$ is *one-to-one*, or a *one-to-one correspondence*, iff, for all $x, y \in X$, if $f(x) = f(y)$ then $x = y$.

Definition 13.10.

$$0 = \varnothing$$

Definition 13.11.

$$1 = \{\varnothing\}$$

Definition 13.12.

$$2 = \{\varnothing, \{\varnothing\}\}$$

Definition 13.13 (Characteristic Function)**.** Let X be a set and $A \subseteq X$. The *characteristic function* of A is the function $\chi_A : X \to 2$ defined by

$$\chi_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin A \end{cases}$$

Chapter 14

Families

Definition 14.1 (Family)**.** Let I and X be sets. A *family* of elements of X *indexed* by I is a function $a : I \to X$. We write a_i for $a(i)$, and $\{a_i\}_{i \in I}$ for a.

Proposition 14.2 (Generalized Associative Law for Unions)**.** *Let $\{I_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a family of sets. Let $K = \bigcup_{j \in J} I_j$. Let $\{A_k\}_{k \in K}$ be a family of sets indexed by K. Then*

$$\bigcup_{k \in K} A_k = \bigcup_{j \in J} \bigcup_{i \in I_j} A_i \quad .$$

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 14.3 (Generalized Commutative Law for Unions)**.** *Let $\{I_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a family of sets. Let $f : J \to J$ be a one-to-one correspondence from J onto J. Then*

$$\bigcup_{j \in J} I_j = \bigcup_{j \in J} I_{f(j)} \quad .$$

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 14.4 (Generalized Associative Law for Intersections)**.** *Let $\{I_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a nonempty family of nonempty sets. Let $K = \bigcup_{j \in J} I_j$. Let $\{A_k\}_{k \in K}$ be a family of sets indexed by K. Then*

$$\bigcap_{k \in K} A_k = \bigcap_{j \in J} \bigcap_{i \in I_j} A_i \quad .$$

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 14.5 (Generalized Commutative Law for Intersections)**.** *Let $\{I_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a nonempty family of sets. Let $f : J \to J$ be a one-to-one correspondence from J onto J. Then*

$$\bigcap_{j \in J} I_j = \bigcap_{j \in J} I_{f(j)} \quad .$$

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 14.6. *Let B be a set and $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$ a family of sets. Then*

$$B \cap \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcup_{i \in I} (B \cap A_i)$$

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 14.7. *Let B be a set and $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$ a nonempty family of sets. Then*

$$B \cup \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i = \bigcap_{i \in I} (B \cup A_i)$$

Proof: Easy. □

Definition 14.8 (Cartesian Product of a Family of Sets)**.** Let $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a family of sets. The *Cartesian product* $\bigtimes_{i \in I} A_i$ is the set of all families $\{a_i\}_{i \in I}$ such that $\forall i \in I . a_i \in A_i$.

We write A^I for $\bigtimes_{i \in I} A$.

Theorem 14.9. *Let X be a set. The function $\chi : \mathcal{P}X \to 2^X$ that maps a subset A of X to χ_A is a one-to-one correspondence.*

Proof: Easy. □

Definition 14.10 (Projection)**.** Let $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a family of sets and $i \in I$. The *projection* function $\pi_i : \bigtimes_{i \in I} A_i \to A_i$ is defined by $\pi_i(a) = a_i$.

Proposition 14.11. *Let $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$ and $\{B_j\}_{j \in J}$ be families of sets. Then*

$$\left(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right) \times \left(\bigcup_{j \in J} B_j \right) = \bigcup_{i \in I} \bigcup_{j \in J} (A_i \times B_j) \enspace .$$

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 14.12. *Let $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$ and $\{B_j\}_{j \in J}$ be nonempty families of sets. Then*

$$\left(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \right) \times \left(\bigcap_{j \in J} B_j \right) = \bigcap_{i \in I} \bigcap_{j \in J} (A_i \times B_j) \enspace .$$

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 14.13. *Let $f : X \to Y$. Let $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a family of subsets of X. Then*

$$f \left(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \right) = \bigcup_{i \in I} f(A_i) \enspace .$$

Proof: Easy. □

Example 14.14. It is not true in general that, if $f : X \to Y$ and $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$ is a nonempty family of subsets of X, then $f\left(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i\right) = \bigcap_{i \in I} f(A_i)$.

Take $X = \{a, b\}$ and $Y = \{c\}$ where $a \neq b$. Take $I = \{i, j\}$ with $i \neq j$. Let $A_i = \{a\}$ and $A_j = \{b\}$. Let f be the unique function $X \to Y$. Then $f\left(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i\right) = f(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ but $\bigcap_{i \in I} f(A_i) = \{c\}$.

Chapter 15

Inverses and Composites

Definition 15.1 (Inverse)**.** Given a function $f : X \to Y$, the *inverse* of f is the function $f^{-1} : \mathcal{P}Y \to \mathcal{P}X$ defined by

$$f^{-1}(B) = \{x \in X : f(x) \in B\} \ .$$

We call $f^{-1}(B)$ the *inverse image* of B under f.

Proposition 15.2. *Let $f : X \to Y$. Then f maps X onto Y if and only if the inverse image of any nonempty subset of Y is nonempty.*

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 15.3. *Let $f : X \to Y$. Then f is one-to-one if and only if the inverse image of any singleton subset of Y is a singleton.*

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 15.4. *Let $f : X \to Y$. Let $B \subseteq Y$. Then*

$$f(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq B \ .$$

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 15.5. *Let $f : X \to Y$. Let $A \subseteq X$. Then*

$$A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A)) \ .$$

Equality holds if f is one-to-one.

Proof: Easy. □

Proposition 15.6. *Let $f : X \to Y$. Let $\{B_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a family of subsets of Y. Then*

$$f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i\right) = \bigcup_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i) \ .$$

PROOF: Easy. □

Proposition 15.7. *Let $f : X \to Y$. Let $\{B_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a nonempty family of subsets of Y. Then*

$$f^{-1}\left(\bigcap_{i \in I} B_i\right) = \bigcap_{i \in I} f^{-1}(B_i) \ .$$

PROOF: Easy. □

Proposition 15.8. *Let $f : X \to Y$ and $B \subseteq Y$. Then $f^{-1}(Y - B) = X - f^{-1}(B)$.*

PROOF: Easy. □

Proposition 15.9. *Let $f : X \to Y$ be one-to-one. Then the inverse of f as a relation, f^{-1}, is a function $f^{-1} : \operatorname{ran} f \to X$, and for all $y \in \operatorname{ran} f$, we have $f^{-1}(y)$ is the unique x such that $f(x) = y$.*

PROOF: Easy. □

Proposition 15.10. *Let $f : X \to Y$ and $g : Y \to Z$. Then $gf : X \to Z$ and, for all $x \in X$, we have*

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

PROOF: Easy. □

Example 15.11. Example 12.15 shows that function composition is not commutative in general.

Proposition 15.12. *Let $f : X \to Y$ and $g : Y \to Z$. Then*

$$(gf)^{-1} = f^{-1}g^{-1} : \mathcal{P}Z \to \mathcal{P}X \ .$$

PROOF: Easy. □