

# Mathematics

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# Chapter 1

## Primitive Terms and Axioms

### 1.1 Primitive Terms

Let there be *sets*. We write  $A : \text{Set}$  for:  $A$  is a set.

For any set  $A$ , let there be *elements* of  $A$ . We write  $a : \text{El}(A)$  for:  $a$  is an element of  $A$ .

For any sets  $A$  and  $B$ , let there be *relations* between  $A$  and  $B$ . We write  $R : A \looparrowright B$  for:  $R$  is a relation between  $A$  and  $B$ .

For any set  $A$  and elements  $a, b : \text{El}(A)$ , let there be a proposition that  $a$  and  $b$  are *equal*,  $a = b$ .

For any relation  $R : A \looparrowright B$  and elements  $a : \text{El}(A)$ ,  $b : \text{El}(B)$ , let there be a proposition  $aRb$ , that  $R$  *holds* between  $a$  and  $b$ .

### 1.2 Definitions Used in the Axioms

**Definition 1.1** (Function). Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets and  $F : A \looparrowright B$ . Then  $F$  is a *function* from  $A$  to  $B$ ,  $F : A \rightarrow B$ , if and only if, for all  $x \in A$ , there exists a unique  $y \in B$  such that  $xFy$ . We denote this unique  $y$  by  $F(x)$ .

**Definition 1.2** (Injective). A function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is *injective* iff, for all  $x, y : \text{El}(A)$ , if  $f(x) = f(y)$  then  $x = y$ .

**Definition 1.3** (Surjective). A function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is *surjective* iff, for all  $y : \text{El}(B)$ , there exists  $x : \text{El}(A)$  such that  $f(x) = y$ .

**Definition 1.4** (Bijective). A function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is *bijective* or a *bijection* iff it is injective and surjective.

Sets  $A$  and  $B$  are *equinumerous*,  $A \approx B$ , iff there exists a bijection between them.

If we prove there exists a set  $X$  such that  $P(X)$ , and that any two subsets that satisfy  $P$  are bijective, then we may introduce a constant  $C$  and define "Let  $C$  be the set such that  $P(C)$ ".

### 1.3 Axioms

**Axiom Schema 1.5** (Comprehension). *For any formula  $\phi[X, Y, x, y]$  where  $X$  and  $Y$  are set variables and  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$ , the following is an axiom:*

*For any sets  $A$  and  $B$ , there exists a relation  $R$  such that, for all  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ , we have  $aRb$  if and only if  $\phi[A, B, a, b]$ .*

**Axiom 1.6** (Tabulations). *For any sets  $A$  and  $B$  and relation  $R : A \multimap B$ , there exists a set  $|R|$ , a tabulation of  $R$ , and functions  $p : |R| \rightarrow A$  and  $q : |R| \rightarrow B$  such that:*

- *For all  $x : \text{El}(A)$  and  $y : \text{El}(B)$ , we have  $xRy$  if and only if there exists  $r : \text{El}(|R|)$  such that  $p(r) = x$  and  $q(r) = y$*
- *For all  $r, s : \text{El}(|R|)$ , if  $p(r) = p(s)$  and  $q(r) = q(s)$  then  $r = s$ .*

**Axiom 1.7** (Infinity). *There exists a set  $\mathbb{N}$ , an element  $0 : \text{El}(\mathbb{N})$ , and a function  $s : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that:*

- $\forall n : \text{El}(\mathbb{N}). s(n) \neq 0$
- $\forall m, n : \text{El}(\mathbb{N}). s(m) = s(n) \Rightarrow m = n.$

### 1.4 Consequences of the Axioms

#### 1.4.1 The Empty Set

**Theorem 1.8.** *There exists a set which has no elements.*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$ . PICK a set  $A$

PROOF: By the Axiom of Infinity, a set exists.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$ . LET:  $R : A \multimap A$  be the relation such that, for all  $x, y \in A$ , we have  $\neg(xRy)$

PROOF: By the Axiom of Comprehension.

$\langle 1 \rangle 3$ . LET:  $|R|$  be the tabulation of  $R$  with projections  $p, q : |R| \rightarrow A$ .

PROVE:  $|R|$  has no elements.

PROOF: By the Axiom of Tabulations.

$\langle 1 \rangle 4$ . ASSUME: for a contradiction  $r : \text{El}(|R|)$

$\langle 1 \rangle 5$ .  $p(r)Rq(r)$

$\langle 1 \rangle 6$ . Q.E.D.

PROOF: This contradicts  $\langle 1 \rangle 2$ .

□

**Theorem 1.9.** *If  $E$  and  $E'$  have no elements then  $E \approx E'$ .*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$ . LET:  $E$  and  $E'$  have no elements.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$ . LET:  $F : E \rightarrowtail E'$  be the relation such that, for all  $x : \text{El}(E)$  and  $y : \text{El}(E')$ , we have  $xFy$ .

PROOF: Axiom of Comprehension.

$\langle 1 \rangle 3$ .  $F$  is a function.

PROOF: Vacuously, for all  $x : \text{El}(E)$ , there exists a unique  $y : \text{El}(E')$  such that  $xFy$ .

$\langle 1 \rangle 4$ .  $F$  is injective.

PROOF: Vacuously, for all  $x, y : \text{El}(E)$ , if  $F(x) = F(y)$  then  $x = y$ .

$\langle 1 \rangle 5$ .  $F$  is surjective.

PROOF: Vacuously, for all  $y : \text{El}(E')$ , there exists  $x : \text{El}(E)$  such that  $F(x) = y$ .

□

**Definition 1.10** (Empty Set). The *empty set*  $\emptyset$  is the set with no elements.

### 1.4.2 The Singleton

**Theorem 1.11.** *There exists a set that has exactly one element.*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$ . PICK a set  $A$  that has an element.

PROOF: By the Axiom of Infinity, there exists a set that has an element.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$ . PICK  $a : \text{El}(A)$

$\langle 1 \rangle 3$ . LET:  $R : A \rightarrowtail A$  be the relation such that, for all  $x, y : \text{El}(A)$ , we have  $xRy$  if and only if  $x = y = a$ .

PROOF: By the Axiom of Comprehension.

$\langle 1 \rangle 4$ . LET:  $|R|$  be the tabulation of  $R$  with projections  $p, q : |R| \rightarrow A$ .

PROVE:  $|R|$  has exactly one element.

PROOF: By the Axiom of Tabulations.

$\langle 1 \rangle 5$ . LET:  $r : \text{El}(|R|)$  be the element such that  $p(r) = q(r) = a$

PROOF: Since  $aRa$  by  $\langle 1 \rangle 3$ .

$\langle 1 \rangle 6$ . LET:  $s : \text{El}(|R|)$

PROVE:  $s = r$

$\langle 1 \rangle 7$ .  $p(s)Rq(s)$

PROOF: By the Axiom of Tabulations.

$\langle 1 \rangle 8$ .  $p(s) = q(s) = a$

PROOF: By  $\langle 1 \rangle 3$ .

$\langle 1 \rangle 9$ .  $p(s) = p(r)$  and  $q(s) = q(r)$

PROOF: By  $\langle 1 \rangle 5$ .

$\langle 1 \rangle 10$ .  $s = r$

PROOF: By the Axiom of Tabulations.

□

**Theorem 1.12.** *If  $A$  and  $B$  both have exactly one element then  $A \approx B$ .*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$ . LET:  $A$  and  $B$  both have exactly one element.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$ . LET:  $F : A \rightarrowtail B$  be the relation such that, for all  $x : \text{El}(A)$  and  $y : \text{El}(B)$ , we have  $xFy$ .

$\langle 1 \rangle 3$ .  $F$  is a function.

PROOF: If  $xFy$  and  $xFy'$  then  $y = y'$  because  $B$  has only one element.

$\langle 1 \rangle 4$ .  $F$  is injective.

PROOF: If  $F(x) = F(x')$  then  $x = x'$  because  $A$  has only one element.

$\langle 1 \rangle 5$ .  $F$  is surjective.

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$ . LET:  $y : \text{El}(B)$

$\langle 2 \rangle 2$ . LET:  $x$  be the element of  $A$ .

$\langle 2 \rangle 3$ .  $F(x) = y$

□

**Definition 1.13** (Singleton). Let  $1$  be the set that has exactly one element. Let  $*$  be its element.

### 1.4.3 Subsets

**Definition 1.14** (Subset). A *subset* of a set  $A$  is a relation  $1 \rightarrowtail S$ .

Given  $S : 1 \rightarrowtail S$  and  $a : \text{El}(A)$ , we write  $a \in S$  for  $*Sa$ .