C1 Set Theory

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1 Primitive Notions

Let there be *sets*.

Let there be a binary relation called *membership*, $\in$. When $x \in y$ holds, we say x is a *member* or *element* of y. We write $x \notin y$ iff x is not a member of y.

2 The Axioms

Axiom 1 (Extensionality)**.** *If two sets have exactly the same members, then they are equal.*

As a consequence of this axiom, we may identify a set A with the class $\{x : x \in A\}$. The use of the symbols $\in$ and $=$ is consistent.

Definition 2. We say that a class $\mathbf{A}$ *is a set* iff there exists a set A such that $A = \mathbf{A}$. That is, the class $\{x : P(x)\}$ is a set iff

$$\exists A. \forall x(x \in A \leftrightarrow P(x)) \ .$$

Otherwise, $\mathbf{A}$ is a *proper class.*

Definition 3 (Subset)**.** If A is a set and $\mathbf{B}$ is a class, we say A is a *subset* of $\mathbf{B}$ iff $A \subseteq \mathbf{B}$.

Axiom 4 (Empty Set)**.** *The empty class is a set, called the* empty set*.*

Axiom 5 (Pairing)**.** *For any objects a and b, the class $\{a, b\}$ is a set, called a* pair set*.*

Definition 6 (Union)**.** For any class of sets $\mathbf{A}$, the *union* $\bigcup \mathbf{A}$ is the class $\{x : \exists A \in \mathbf{A}. x \in A\}$.

We write $\bigcup_{P[x_1,\ldots,x_n]} t[x_1, \ldots, x_n]$ for $\bigcup\{t[x_1, \ldots, x_n] : P[x_1, \ldots, x_n]\}$.

Proposition 7. *If $\mathbf{A} \subseteq \mathbf{B}$ then $\bigcup \mathbf{A} \subseteq \bigcup \mathbf{B}$.*

PROOF: Easy. □

Axiom 8 (Union)**.** *For any set A, the union $\bigcup A$ is a set.*

Proposition 9. *For any sets A and B, the class $A \cup B$ is a set.*

PROOF: It is $\bigcup\{A, B\}$. □

Proposition Schema 10. *For any objects a_1, …, a_n, the class $\{a_1, \ldots, a_n\}$ is a set.*

PROOF: By repeated application of the Pairing and Union axioms. □

Definition 11 (Power Set)**.** For any set A, the *power set* of A, $\mathcal{P}A$, is the class of all subsets of A.

Axiom 12 (Power Set)**.** *For any set A, the class $\mathcal{P}A$ is a set.*

Axiom 13 (Subset, Aussonderung)**.** *For any class $\mathbf{A}$ and set B, if $\mathbf{A} \subseteq B$ then $\mathbf{A}$ is a set.*

Proposition 14. *For any set A and class $\mathbf{B}$, the intersection $A \cap \mathbf{B}$ is a set.*

PROOF: By the Subset Axiom since it is a subclass of A. □

Proposition 15. *For any set A and class $\mathbf{B}$, the relative complement $A - \mathbf{B}$ is a set.*

PROOF: By the Subset Axiom since it is a subclass of A. □

Theorem 16. *The universal class $\mathbf{V}$ is a proper class.*

PROOF:
⟨1⟩1. ASSUME: $\mathbf{V}$ is a set.
⟨1⟩2. LET: $R = \{x : x \notin x\}$
⟨1⟩3. R is a set.
  PROOF: By the Subset Axiom.
⟨1⟩4. $R \in R$ if and only if $R \notin R$
⟨1⟩5. Q.E.D.
  PROOF: This is a contradiction.
□

Definition 17 (Intersection)**.** For any class of sets $\mathbf{A}$, the *intersection* $\bigcap \mathbf{A}$ is the class $\{x : \forall A \in \mathbf{A}. x \in A\}$.

We write $\bigcap_{P[x_1,\ldots,x_n]} t[x_1, \ldots, x_n]$ for $\bigcap\{t[x_1, \ldots, x_n] : P[x_1, \ldots, x_n]\}$.

Proposition 18. *For any nonempty class of sets $\mathbf{A}$, the class $\bigcap \mathbf{A}$ is a set.*

PROOF: Pick $A \in \mathbf{A}$. Then $\bigcap \mathbf{A} \subseteq A$. □

Proposition 19. *If $\mathbf{A} \subseteq \mathbf{B}$ then $\bigcap \mathbf{B} \subseteq \bigcap \mathbf{A}$.*

PROOF: Easy. □

Proposition 20. *For any set A and class of sets $\mathbf{B}$, we have*

$$A \cup \bigcap \mathbf{B} = \bigcap\{A \cup X \mid X \in \mathbf{B}\}$$

PROOF: Easy. □

Proposition 21. *For any set A and class of sets $\mathbf{B}$, we have*

$$A \cap \bigcup \mathbf{B} = \bigcup \{A \cap X \mid X \in \mathbf{B}\}$$

PROOF: Easy. □

Proposition 22. *For any set C and class of sets $\mathbf{A}$, we have*

$$C - \bigcup \mathbf{A} = \bigcap \{C - X \mid X \in \mathbf{A}\} \ .$$

PROOF: Easy. □

Proposition 23. *For any set C and class of sets $\mathbf{A}$, we have*

$$C - \bigcap \mathbf{A} = \bigcup \{C - X \mid X \in \mathbf{A}\} \ .$$

PROOF: Easy. □

3 Ordered Pairs

Definition 24 (Ordered Pair)**.** For any objects a and b, the *ordered pair* (a, b) is $\{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$. We call a its *first coordinate* and b its *second coordinate.*

Theorem 25. *For any objects (a, b), we have $(a, b) = (c, d)$ if and only if $a = c$ and $b = d$.*

PROOF:
$\langle 1 \rangle 1.$ If $(a, b) = (c, d)$ then $a = c$ and $b = d$
  $\langle 2 \rangle 1.$ ASSUME: $(a, b) = (c, d)$
  $\langle 2 \rangle 2.$ $a = c$
    PROOF: Since $\{a\} = \bigcap (a, b) = \bigcap (c, d) = \{c\}$.
  $\langle 2 \rangle 3.$ $\{a, b\} = \{c, d\}$
    PROOF: $\{a, b\} = \bigcup (a, b) = \bigcup (c, d) = \{c, d\}$.
  $\langle 2 \rangle 4.$ $b = c$ or $b = d$
  $\langle 2 \rangle 5.$ CASE: $b = c$
    $\langle 3 \rangle 1.$ $a = b$
    $\langle 3 \rangle 2.$ $\{c, d\} = \{a\}$
    $\langle 3 \rangle 3.$ $b = d$
  $\langle 2 \rangle 6.$ CASE: $b = d$
    PROOF: We have $a = c$ and $b = d$ as required.
$\langle 1 \rangle 2.$ If $a = c$ and $b = d$ then $(a, b) = (c, d)$
  PROOF: Trivial.
□

Definition 26 (Cartesian Product)**.** The *Cartesian product* of classes $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$ is the class

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \{(x, y) : x \in \mathbf{A}, y \in \mathbf{B}\} \ .$$

Lemma 27. *For any objects x and y and set C, if $x \in C$ and $y \in C$ then $(x, y) \in \mathcal{P}\mathcal{P}C$.*

PROOF: Easy. $\square$

Corollary 27.1. *For any sets A and B, the Cartesian product $A \times B$ is a set.*

PROOF: By the Subset Axiom applied to $\mathcal{P}\mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$. $\square$

Lemma 28. *If $(x, y) \in \mathbf{A}$ then $x, y \in \bigcup\bigcup \mathbf{A}$.*

PROOF: Easy. $\square$

4 Relations

Definition 29 (Relation)**.** A *relation* is a class of ordered pairs. It is *small* iff it is a set.

When $\mathbf{R}$ is a relation, we write $x\mathbf{R}y$ for $(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}$.

Definition 30 (Domain)**.** The *domain* of a class $\mathbf{R}$ is $\operatorname{dom}\mathbf{R} = \{x : \exists y.(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}\}$.

Definition 31 (Range)**.** The *range* of a class $\mathbf{R}$ is $\operatorname{ran}\mathbf{R} = \{y : \exists x.(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}\}$.

Definition 32 (Field)**.** The *field* of a class $\mathbf{R}$ is $\operatorname{fld}\mathbf{R} = \operatorname{dom}\mathbf{R} \cup \operatorname{ran}\mathbf{R}$.

Proposition 33. *If R is a set then $\operatorname{dom} R$, $\operatorname{ran} R$ and $\operatorname{fld} R$ are sets.*

PROOF: Apply the Subset Axiom to $\bigcup\bigcup R$. $\square$