# Sets

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0000 This chapter (will eventually) contain material on axiomatic set theory, as well as a couple other things.

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| 0003 |     | <b>DEFINITION 1.1.1</b> $\blacktriangleright$ (-2)-CATEGORIES  |   |
|      |     | A $(-2)$ -category is the "necessarily true" truth value. <sup>1,2,3</sup> Thus, there is only one $(-2)$ -category.   |   |

# **0004 1.2** (-1)-Categories

(-2)-category.

<sup>3</sup>For motivation, see [BS10, p. 13].

<sup>2</sup>A (-n)-category for n = 3, 4, ... is also the "necessarily true" truth value, coinciding with a

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#### **DEFINITION 1.2.1** $\triangleright$ (-1)-CATEGORIES

A (-1)-category is a classical truth value.

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#### REMARK 1.2.2 $\blacktriangleright$ Motivation for (-1)-Categories

 $^{1}(-1)$ -categories should be thought of as being "categories enriched in (-2)-categories", having a collection of objects and, for each pair of objects, a Homobject Hom(x, y) that is a (-2)-category (i.e. trivial).

Therefore, a (-1)-category C is either ([BS10, pp. 33–34]):

- 1. Empty, having no objects;
- 2. Contractible, having a collection of objects  $\{a,b,c,\ldots\}$ , but with  $\operatorname{Hom}_C(a,b)$  being a (-2)-category (i.e. trivial) for all  $a,b\in\operatorname{Obj}(C)$ , forcing all objects of C to be uniquely isomorphic to each other.

As such, there are only two (-1)-categories, up to equivalence:

- · The (-1)-category false (the empty one);
- The (-1)-category true (the contractible one).

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#### **DEFINITION 1.2.3** ► THE POSET OF TRUTH VALUES

The **poset of truth values**<sup>1</sup> is the poset ( $\{\text{true}, \text{false}\}, \leq )^2$  consisting of

- The Underlying Set. The set {true, false} whose elements are the truth values true and false;
- · The Partial Order. The partial order

$$\leq$$
: {true, false}  $\times$  {true, false}  $\rightarrow$  {true, false}

on {true, false} defined by<sup>3</sup>

false  $\leq$  false  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$  true, true  $\leq$  false  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$  false, false  $\leq$  true  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$  true, true  $\leq$  true  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$  true.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>For more motivation, see [BS10, p. 13].

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<sup>1</sup> Further Terminology: Also called the **poset of** (-1)-categories.

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#### PROPOSITION 1.2.4 ► CARTESIAN CLOSEDNESS OF THE POSET OF TRUTH VALUES

The poset of truth values {t, f} is Cartesian closed with product given by

$$t \times t = t$$
,

 $t \times f = f$ ,

 $f \times t = f$ ,

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,

and internal Hom  $\textbf{Hom}_{\{t,f\}}$  given by the partial order of  $\{t,f\},$  i.e. by

$$Hom_{\{t,f\}}(t,t)=t,$$

 $Hom_{\{t,f\}}(t,f) = f,$ 

 $\textbf{Hom}_{\{t,f\}}(f,t)=t,$ 

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 $^1$  Note that  $\times$  coincides with the "and" operator, while  $\textbf{Hom}_{\{t,f\}}$  coincides with the logical implication operator.

#### PROOF 1.2.5 ► PROOF OF PROPOSITION 1.2.4

Omitted.



# **0009 1.3 0-Categories**

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#### **DEFINITION 1.3.1** ► 0-CATEGORIES

A 0-category is a poset.1

<sup>1</sup> Motivation: A 0-category is precisely a category enriched in the poset of (-1)-categories.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Further Notation: Also written {t, f}.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>This partial order coincides with logical implication.

# DEFINITION 1.3.2 ► 0-GROUPOIDS A 0-groupoid is a 0-category in which every morphism is invertible. 1 That is, a set.

# 000C 1.4 Tables of Analogies Between Set Theory and Category Theory

Here we record some analogies between notions in set theory and category theory. Note that the analogies relating to presheaves relate equally well to copresheaves, as the opposite  $X^{\mathrm{op}}$  of a set X is just X again. Basics:

| Set Theory                                     | Category Theory                    |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Enrichment in {true, false}                    | Enrichment in Sets                 |
| Set X  | Category C                         |
| Element $x \in X$                              | $ObjectX \in Obj(\mathcal{C})$     |
| Function                                       | Functor                            |
| Function $X \to \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$ | Functor $C \rightarrow Sets$       |
| Function $X \to \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$ | Presheaf $C^{op} \rightarrow Sets$ |

Powersets and categories of presheaves:

| SET THEORY   | CATEGORY THEORY   |
|--|---|
| Powerset $\mathcal{P}(X)$  | Presheaf category $PSh(C)$  |
| Characteristic function $\chi_{\{x\}}$   | Representable presheaf $h_X$  |
| Characteristic embedding $\chi_{(-)} \colon X \hookrightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$  | Yoneda embedding $\mathcal{L}: C^{\mathrm{op}} \hookrightarrow PSh(C)$  |
| Characteristic relation $\chi_X(1,2)$  | Hom profunctor $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(-_1,-_2)$  |
| The Yoneda lemma for sets $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{P}(X)}(\chi_x,\chi_U)=\chi_U(x)$   | The Yoneda lemma for categories $\operatorname{Nat}(h_X,\mathcal{F})\cong\mathcal{F}(X)$  |
| The characteristic embedding is fully faithful, $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{P}(X)} \left( \chi_x, \chi_y \right) = \chi_X(x,y)$              | The Yoneda embedding is fully faithful, $\operatorname{Nat}(h_X,h_Y)\cong\operatorname{Hom}_C(X,Y)$                                     |
| Subsets are unions of their elements $U = \bigcup_{x \in U} \{x\}$ or $\chi_U = \operatorname*{colim}_{\chi_x \in Sets(U, \{t, f\})} (\chi_x)$ | Presheaves are colimits of representables, $\mathcal{F}\cong \operatornamewithlimits{colim}_{h_X\in\int_{\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{F}}(h_X)$ |

# Categories of elements:

| Set Theory   | Category Theory   |
|--|---|
| Assignment $U\mapsto \chi_U$   | Assignment $\mathcal{F} \mapsto \int_{\mathcal{C}} \mathcal{F}$ (the category of elements)  |
| Assignment $U \mapsto \chi_U$<br>giving an isomorphism<br>$\mathcal{P}(X) \cong Sets(X, \{t, f\})$ | Assignment $\mathcal{F} \mapsto \int_{\mathcal{C}} \mathcal{F}$ giving an equivalence $PSh(\mathcal{C}) \stackrel{\mathrm{eq.}}{\cong} DFib(\mathcal{C})$ |

Functions between powersets and functors between presheaf categories:

| Set Theory  | Category Theory   |
|---|---|
| Direct image function $f_* \colon \mathcal{P}(X) \to \mathcal{P}(Y)$                      | Inverse image functor $f^{-1} \colon PSh(C) \to PSh(\mathcal{D})$                       |
| Inverse image function $f^{-1} \colon \mathcal{P}(Y) \to \mathcal{P}(X)$                  | Direct image functor $f_* \colon PSh(\mathcal{D}) \to PSh(C)$                           |
| Direct image with compact support function $f_! \colon \mathcal{P}(X) \to \mathcal{P}(Y)$ | Direct image with compact support functor $f_! : PSh(\mathcal{C}) \to PSh(\mathcal{D})$ |

# Relations and profunctors:

| Set Theory   | Category Theory  |
|--|--|
| Relation $R: X \times Y \to \{t, f\}$  | Profunctor $\mathfrak{p} \colon \mathcal{D}^{op} \times \mathcal{C} \to Sets$                |
| Relation $R: X \to \mathcal{P}(Y)$   | $Profunctor \mathfrak{p} \colon \mathcal{C} \to PSh(\mathcal{D})$                            |
| Relation as a cocontinuous morphism of posets $R \colon (\mathcal{P}(X), \subset) \to (\mathcal{P}(Y), \subset)$ | Profunctor as a colimit-preserving functor $\mathfrak{p} \colon PSh(C) \to PSh(\mathcal{D})$ |

# **Appendices**

# A Other Chapters

# **Set Theory**

- 1. Sets
- 2. Constructions With Sets
- 3. Pointed Sets
- 4. Tensor Products of Pointed Sets
- 5. Indexed and Fibred Sets
- 6. Relations
- 7. Spans
- 8. Posets

# **Category Theory**

- 9. Categories
- 10. Constructions With Categories
- 11. Kan Extensions

#### **Bicategories**

- 12. Bicategories
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# **Internal Category Theory**

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# Cyclic Stuff

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