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- **3.1** We must show that the set  $\{x: x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$  exists. Let P(x,A,B) be the property " $x \in A$  and  $x \notin B$ ", then P(x,A,B) implies  $x \in A$ , because A exists, we get  $\{x: x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\} = \{x \in A: x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\} = \{x \in A: x \notin B\}$ , this set exists by the axiom of comprehension, and is unique according to the Lemma 3.4.
- **3.2** By the Weak Axiom of Existence some set exists, call let A. Take the property P(x) to be  $x \neq x$ , then the set  $\{x \in A : x \neq x\}$  exists by comprehension. But this is  $\emptyset$ , since every element of any set is self-identical.
- **3.3** (a) Assume that V the set of all sets exists, then by comprehension the set  $X = \{x \in V : x \notin x\}$  exists. Now,  $x \in X$  iff  $x \in V$  and  $x \notin x$ . Clearly, X is a set, thus  $X \in V$ , if  $X \in X$ , then it satisfies the property of being a member of X, thus  $X \notin X$ . if  $X \notin X$ , and since  $X \in V$  we get by definition  $X \in X$ , a contradiction.
- (b) Assume to the contrary that there is one A such that every  $x, x \in A$ , then every set is in A, which means that A = V, which is impossible by the previous argument.
- **3.4** By the axiom of pair the set  $\{A, B\}$  exist and the union axiopm implies the existence of  $\bigcup \{A, B\}$ . Now take the property  $\mathbf{P}(x, A, B) = \text{``}(x \in A \land x \notin B) \lor (x \notin B \land x \in A)\text{''}$ , now by the comprehension axiom the set  $C = \{x \in \bigcup \{A, B\} : \mathbf{P}(x, A, B)\}$  exist. Now it is easy to check  $x \in C$  iff either  $x \in A$  and  $x \notin B$  or  $x \in B$  and  $x \notin B$ .
- **3.5** (a) By the axiom of pair there are the sets  $\{A, B\}$  and  $\{C\}$ . Again by pairing the set  $\{\{A, B\}, \{C\}\}$  exists. Now the axiom union implies the existence of  $P = \bigcup \{\{A, B\}, \{C\}\}$ . But now,  $x \in P$  iff  $x \in \{A, B\}$  or  $x \in \{C\}$  iff x = A or x = B, or x = C.
  - (b) Just repeat the above argument and take  $\{C, D\}$  instead of  $\{C\}$ .
- **3.6** Assume that  $\mathcal{P}(X) \subseteq X$  and let  $Y = \{x \in X : x \notin x\}$ . Clearly  $Y \subseteq X$ , thus by our assumption  $Y \in X$ , if  $Y \notin Y$  then  $Y \in Y$ . if  $Y \in Y$  then  $Y \notin Y$ , which is a contradiction.

**3.7** (Weak Axiom Of Pair) Take the property  $\mathbf{P}(x,A,B) = "x = A \lor x = B"$ , then by comprehension the set  $X = \{x \in C : \mathbf{P}(x,A,B)\}$  exists. Now it is easy to see  $x \in X$  iff x = A or x = B.

(Weak Axiom Of Union) Take  $\mathbf{P}(x,S) = "\exists A(A \in S \land x \in A)"$ , then by comprehension we get a set Y such that  $x \in Y$  iff for some  $A \in S$ ,  $x \in S$ , thus  $Y = \bigcup S$ .

(Weak Axiom Of Power Set) Consider the property " $x \subseteq S$ ", then by applying the comprehension to the set P we get the set Z such that  $x \in Z$  iff  $x \subseteq S$ , thus  $Z = \mathcal{P}(S)$ .