

Set Theory III - Functions and the Replacement Axiom

2020-09-30

①

Recall: (a, b) is defined as $\{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \wedge b \in B\}$$

"A cross B"

Why is $A \times B$ a set? (If A & B are.)

If A & B are sets, then

0° $A \cup B$ is a set

$[A \cup B = \cup\{A, B\}$ is a set by the Pair & Union Axioms]

1° $\{a\}, \{a, b\}$ are sets by the Pair Axiom
(where $a \in A$ & $b \in B$)

Note that $\{a\}, \{a, b\} \in \mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$.

2° $\{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\} = (a, b)$ is a set by the Pair Axiom

Note that $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(A \cup B)) \ni (a, b)$.

3° $A \times B = \{ z \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(A \cup B)) \mid \exists a \in A \exists b \in B : z = (a, b) \}$ ②
so $A \times B$ is a set by the Comprehension Axiom

Def'n: A function f is a collection $\underbrace{f}_{\text{a set}}$ of ordered pairs such that if $(a, b) \in f$ and $(a, c) \in f$, then $b = c$.

Notice that this definition does not require one to specify a domain or a range up front.

- If f is a function, then the domain of f is the set $D = \{ a \mid \exists b \text{ so that } (a, b) \in f \}$.
- If f is a function, then the range of f is the set $R = \{ b \mid \exists a \text{ so that } (a, b) \in f \}$.

Q.: Why are D and R sets if f is a set?

Note that $f \subseteq D \times R$ (assuming that D & R are sets).
 $\underbrace{D \times R}_{\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(D \cup R))}$

We'll reverse-engineer $D \cup R$ from f as follows:

(3)

f is a collection of ordered pairs $(a, b) = \{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$.

Uf is a collection of ^{all the} sets of the form $\{a\}$ and $\{a, b\}$

$U(Uf)$ is a collection of all the sets a, b s.t. $(a, b) \in f$.

$D \cup R$ Then $D = \{a \in U(Uf) \mid \exists b \in U(Uf) : (a, b) \in f\}$

& $R = \{b \in U(Uf) \mid \exists a \in U(Uf) : (a, b) \in f\}$

are ~~the~~ sets by the Comprehension Axiom.

This us lets us state the Replacement Axiom

Firstcut: If f is a function and A is a set, with A a subset of the domain of f , then

image of A under f = $f''A = \{f(a) \mid a \in A\}$ is a set

= $\{b \in R \mid a \in A \ \& \ (a, b) \in f\}$.

This a set by Comprehension, so this isn't really adding any power to our axioms.

Second cut:

Suppose we have a formula $\varphi(x, y)$ with two variables x and y occurring free (unconstrained by a quantifier) in $\varphi(x, y)$.

If for some set A , we have that $\varphi(a, y)$ is

true of exactly one set y for every $a \in A$,

$\varphi(a, y)$ defines
[a function f
on A]

Axiom
of
Replacement

Then $B = f''A = \{b \mid \varphi(a, b) \text{ is true for some } a \in A\}$

is also a set.

Next time: The Natural Numbers