

Exercises

E3.53 [01R] (Solved on 2022-10-25) The **axiom of good foundation** (also called **axiom of regularity**) of the Zermelo–Fraenkel theory says that every non-empty set X contains an element y that is disjoint from X ; in formula

$$\forall X, X \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow (\exists y (y \in X) \wedge (X \cap y = \emptyset))$$

(remember that every object in the theory is a set, so y is a set). Using this axiom prove these facts.

- There is no set x that is an element of itself, that is, for which $x \in x$.
- More generally there is no finite family x_1, \dots, x_n such that $x_1 \in x_2 \in \dots \in x_n \in x_1$.
- There is also no x_1, \dots, x_n, \dots sequence of sets for which $x_1 \ni x_2 \ni x_3 \ni x_4 \dots$

Solution 1. [01S]

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