

**The Zermelo-Fraenkel Axioms for Set Theory**  
Math 609

The language for set theory is the language  $\mathcal{L} = (\in)$  with a single binary function symbol. By ZF (Zermelo-Fraenkel) Set Theory, we mean the set of axioms (or axiom schemata) 1 - 9 below. By Z (Zermelo) Set Theory is meant the set of axioms 1 - 7 and the axiom schema 8. By ZFC (ZF with Choice) Set Theory, we mean the following list of axioms.

- 1. Extensionality.**  $\forall x, y (x \doteq y \leftrightarrow \forall z (z \in x \leftrightarrow z \in y))$ .
- 2. Null set.**  $\exists x \forall y (\neg y \in x)$ .
- 3. Pairs.**  $\forall x, y \exists z \forall u (u \in z \leftrightarrow u \doteq x \vee u \doteq y)$ .
- 4. Unions.**  $\forall x \exists y \forall z (z \in y \leftrightarrow \exists w (z \in w \wedge w \in x))$ .
- 5. Power set.**  $\forall x \exists y \forall z (z \in y \leftrightarrow \forall w (w \in z \rightarrow w \in x))$ .
- 6. Infinity.**  $\exists x [\exists y ((y \in x) \wedge \exists z (y \in z \wedge z \in x))]$ .
- 7. Regularity.**  $\forall x [\exists y (y \in x \wedge \neg \exists z (z \in y \wedge z \in x))]$ .
- 8 $_{\varphi}$ . Definable subsets.**  $\forall x \exists y \forall z (z \in y \leftrightarrow z \in x \wedge \varphi(z, x_1, \dots, x_n))$ , where  $\varphi$  is a formula in which  $y$  does not occur.
- 9 $_{\varphi}$ . Collection.**  $\forall x [x \in u \rightarrow \exists z \varphi(x, z, u, x_1, \dots, x_n)] \rightarrow \exists y \forall x [x \in u \rightarrow \exists z (z \in y \wedge \varphi(x, z, u, x_1, \dots, x_n))]$ , where  $\varphi$  is a formula in which  $y$  does not occur.
- 10. Choice.**  $\forall x \exists y [(y \text{ is a function with domain } x) \wedge \forall z (z \in x \wedge \exists u (u \in z \rightarrow y(z) \in u))]$ .