

Category theory exercise sheet 9

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1. Prove that if a category \mathcal{C} with products admits a terminal object $\mathbf{1}$, then the product $\mathbf{1} \times \mathbf{1}$ is a terminal object too.
2. Prove that if the category \mathcal{C} admits binary products, then it has all *finite* products.
3. Suppose that \mathcal{C} is a cartesian closed category. Then for any three objects X, Y, Z in \mathcal{C} we have an isomorphism

$$(X \times Y)^Z \simeq X^Z \times Y^Z.$$

4. Let \mathcal{C} be a category and let X be an object of \mathcal{C} . Prove the following assertions on the slice category of \mathcal{C} over X \mathcal{C}/X :
 - \mathcal{C}/X always has an initial object. Who is it?
 - If \mathcal{C} has an initial object, so does \mathcal{C}/X .
 - If X is final in \mathcal{C} , then $\mathcal{C}/X \simeq \mathcal{C}$.
5. Prove that the category of (small) categories \mathbf{Cat} is complete. (*For sake of completeness, \mathbf{Cat} is also cocomplete, but the proof is not as immediate as for limits.*)
6. Suppose that a category \mathcal{C} admits binary products and pullbacks. Show how the equalizer of two morphisms $f, g: A \rightarrow B$ can be obtained as a pullback.