

Models of Set Theory II - Winter 2013

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Problem sheet 7

Problem 25 (8 Points). Let end_T denote the set of end nodes of a tree T . A *Borel code* for a subset of ${}^\omega\omega$ is a pair (T, f, g) , where T is a subtree of $<{}^\omega\omega$ with no infinite branches and $f: T \setminus end_T \rightarrow 3$, $g: end_T \rightarrow <{}^\omega\omega$ are functions. If (T, f, g) is a Borel code and $t \in T$, the set $\mathcal{B}_{(T, f, g, t)}$ is defined as

- (i) $U_{g(t)} := \{x \in {}^\omega\omega \mid g(t) \subseteq x\}$ if $t \in end_T$,
- (ii) ${}^\omega\omega \setminus \mathcal{B}_{(T, f, g, t \frown i)}$ if $f(t) = 0$ and i is least with $t \frown i \in T$,
- (iii) $\bigcup_{t \frown i \in T} \mathcal{B}_{(T, f, g, t \frown i)}$ if $f(t) = 1$,
- (iv) $\bigcap_{t \frown i \in T} \mathcal{B}_{(T, f, g, t \frown i)}$ if $f(t) = 2$,

and $\mathcal{B}_{(T, f, g)} := \mathcal{B}_{(T, f, g, \emptyset)}$ denote the *Borel set coded by* (T, f, g) . Suppose that $M \subseteq N$ are transitive models of ZFC.

- (a) Suppose that T is a subtree of $<{}^\omega\omega$ in M . Show that T has no infinite branches in M if and only if T has no infinite branches in N .
- (b) Suppose that (T, f, g) is a Borel code in M . Show that (T, f, g) is a Borel code in N and that

$$M \models \text{''}\mathcal{B}_{(T, f, g)} \text{ is meager''} \iff N \models \text{''}\mathcal{B}_{(T, f, g)} \text{ is meager''}.$$

(You should use without proof the fact that for all Borel codes (T, f, g) , (T', f', g') in M , the statement $\text{''}\mathcal{B}_{(T, f, g)} \subseteq \mathcal{B}_{(T', f', g')}\text{''}$ is absolute between M and N .)

Problem 26 (6 Points). Suppose that (X, d) is Polish space, i.e. X is separable and d is a complete metric on X . Suppose that $(U_s)_{s \in <{}^\omega\omega}$ is a family of subsets of X with the following properties.

- (i) $U_{s \frown i} \cap U_{s \frown j} = \emptyset$ for $i \neq j$,
- (ii) $U_{s \frown i} \subseteq U_s$,
- (iii) U_s is closed and open, and
- (iv) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{diam}(U_{x \upharpoonright n}) = 0$ for all $x \in {}^\omega\omega$.

Let $D = \{x \in {}^\omega\omega \mid \bigcap_{n \in \omega} U_{x \upharpoonright n} \neq \emptyset\}$ and $f: D \rightarrow {}^\omega\omega$, where $f(x)$ is the unique element of $\bigcap_{n \in \omega} U_{x \upharpoonright n}$. Prove that D is closed and that f is a homeomorphism onto its image.

- Problem 27** (4 Points). (a) Suppose that C is a countable dense set of the real line \mathbb{R} . Show that $\mathbb{R} \setminus C$ is homeomorphic to the Baire space ${}^\omega\omega$.
- (b) Show that the cardinal characteristics associated to the meager ideals on ${}^\omega\omega$ and \mathbb{R} are equal.

Problem 28 (4 Points). Let \mathfrak{u} denote the least cardinality of a family of subsets of ω which generates a nonprincipal ultrafilter on ω . Show that $\mathfrak{b} \leq \mathfrak{u}$.

(Hint: For $X \in [\omega]^\omega$, let g_X denote the increasing enumeration of X . For an increasing function $f: \omega \rightarrow \omega$, let S_f denote the union of the intervals $[f^{2n}(0), f^{2n+1}(0))$ for $n \in \omega$. Show that if an increasing function $f: \omega \rightarrow \omega$ eventually dominates g_X , then both $S_f \cap X$ and $S_f \setminus X$ are infinite.)