

Models of Set Theory II - Winter 2015/2016

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Problem sheet 8

Problem 31 (6 points). Work in a model $\mathbb{M} \models \text{GBC}$.

- (a) Prove that every ccc class forcing is pretame.
- (b) Prove that $\mathbb{P} = \{p : \text{dom}(p) \rightarrow 2 \mid \text{dom}(p) \subseteq \text{Ord finite}\}$, ordered by reverse inclusion, adds a proper class of Cohen reals.
- (c) Show that pretameness does not imply the preservation of GBC.

Problem 32 (16 points). Let M be a countable transitive model of ZFC. The goal of this exercise is to use class forcing to construct a model of ZFC + GCH. Let $\beth_\alpha = 2^\alpha$ be the *beth function* defined by the recursion

$$\beth_0 = \aleph_0, \quad \beth_{\alpha+1} = 2^{\beth_\alpha}, \quad \beth_\gamma = \bigcup_{\alpha < \gamma} \beth_\alpha \text{ for } \alpha \in \text{Lim}.$$

Let $\mathbb{P}_\alpha = \text{Fn}(\beth_\alpha^+, \beth_{\alpha+1}, \beth_\alpha^+)$. and let \mathbb{P} denote the *Easton product* of the \mathbb{P}_α , i.e. conditions are functions p with $\text{dom}(p) \subseteq \text{Ord}$ and $p(\alpha) \in \mathbb{P}_\alpha$ for each $\alpha \in \text{dom}(p)$ such that for each strongly inaccessible cardinal λ , $|\text{dom}(p) \cap \lambda| < \lambda$. Let

$$\mathbb{P}^{<\alpha} = \{p \upharpoonright \alpha \mid p \in \mathbb{P}\}$$

$$\mathbb{P}^{\geq\alpha} = \{p \upharpoonright \text{Ord} \setminus \alpha \mid p \in \mathbb{P}\}.$$

- (a) Prove that $|\mathbb{P}^{<\alpha}| \leq \beth_{\alpha+1}$.
- (b) Prove that if α is a successor ordinal or α is a limit such that \beth_α is regular then $|\mathbb{P}^{<\alpha}| \leq \beth_\alpha$. *Hint: Prove first the successor case.*
- (c) Show that for every ordinal α , $\mathbb{P}^{\geq\alpha}$ is \beth_α^+ -closed and for α as in (b), $\mathbb{P}^{<\alpha}$ has the \beth_α^+ -cc. Conclude that \mathbb{P} preserves the axioms of GB + AC (and in particular ZFC).
- (d) Suppose that α is a limit ordinal such that \beth_α is singular with $\text{cf}(\beth_\alpha) = \rho$ and $\langle \alpha_i \mid i < \rho \rangle$ cofinal in \beth_α with $\beth_{\alpha_0} > \rho$. Prove that the class

$$D = \{p \in \mathbb{P} \mid \exists \langle A_i^\gamma \mid i < \rho, \gamma < \beth_{\alpha_i} \rangle (A_i^\gamma \text{ maximal antichain in } \mathbb{P}^{<\alpha_i} \wedge \forall i < \rho \forall \gamma < \beth_{\alpha_i} \forall q \in A_i^\gamma \exists \beta (\langle q, p^{\geq\alpha_i} \rangle \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}^{<\alpha_i} \times \mathbb{P}^{\geq\alpha_i}}^M \dot{f}(\check{\gamma}) = \check{\beta}))\}$$

is dense for every \mathbb{P} -name \dot{f} for a function $\beth_\alpha \rightarrow \beth_\alpha^+$.

- (e) Prove that for every ordinal α , $(\beth_\alpha^+)^M$ is a cardinal in $M[G]$, where G is $\langle M, \text{Def}(M) \rangle$ -generic for \mathbb{P} . *Hint: Consider the cases that α is a successor ordinal, α is limit and \beth_α is regular, and \beth_α is singular separately.*

- (f) Conclude that in $M[G]$, for each ordinal α , $\text{card}(\beth_\alpha^M)^{M[G]} = \aleph_\alpha^{M[G]}$.
- (g) Show that for each cardinal $\kappa \in M[G]$ which is either of the form $\aleph_{\alpha+1}^{M[G]} = (\beth_\alpha^+)^M$ or $\aleph_\alpha^{M[G]} = \beth_\alpha^M$ such that \beth_α^M is a regular limit ordinal, $M[G] \models 2^\kappa = \kappa^+$.
- (h) Suppose that $\kappa = \aleph_\alpha^{M[G]} = \beth_\alpha^M$ is a singular limit ordinal. Prove that for each $\lambda < \kappa$, $M[G] \models \kappa^\lambda \leq \kappa^+$.
- (i) Conclude that in $M[G] \models \text{ZFC} + \text{GCH}$.

Hint: for (d) repeat the argument in the proof of Lemma 4.8 in the lecture notes on class forcing ρ -many times, i.e. construct a descending sequence $\langle p_i \mid i < \rho \rangle$ by repeating the argument in Lemma 4.8 at successor steps and consider $\bigcup_{i < \rho} p_i$. For (g), count nice names for subsets of \beth_α .

Please hand in your solutions on Monday, 11.01.2016 before the lecture.