

3. Problem set for “Models of set theory I”, Summer 2011

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Problem 9. Suppose M is a transitive class such that for every set $x \subseteq M$ there is a set $y \in M$ with $x \subseteq y$ and (M, \in) satisfies the Separation Axiom for Δ_0 formulas. Prove that

1. L satisfies the assumptions on M ,
2. if $x \in M$, then $\bigcup x \in M$, and
3. if $x \in M$, then there is some $y \in M$ with $(M, \in) \models 'y \text{ is the power set of } x'$.

Problem 10. Suppose $M = (X, R_i, f_i : i \in \omega)$ is a structure on a set $X \supseteq \aleph_1$ in a countable language. A set $C \subseteq \aleph_1$ is closed in \aleph_1 if $\alpha \in C$ for all $\alpha < \aleph_1$ with $C \cap \alpha$ unbounded in α . Prove that there is a closed unbounded (*club*) subset $C \subseteq \aleph_1$ such that for every $\alpha \in C$ there is a substructure $N = (\bar{X}, \bar{R}_i, \bar{f}_i : i \in \omega) \prec M$ with $X \cap \aleph_1 = \alpha$.

Hint: Use Skolem hulls (closure under Skolem functions, see the proof of Theorem 4.4) to construct a sequence $(X_\alpha : \alpha < \aleph_1)$ such that each $(X_\alpha, R_i \upharpoonright X_\alpha, f_i \upharpoonright X_\alpha : i \in \omega)$ is a countable elementary substructure of M and

- i. $X_\alpha \subseteq X_\beta$ for all $\alpha < \beta < \aleph_1$,
- ii. $X_\gamma = \bigcup_{\beta < \gamma} X_\beta$ for all limit ordinals $\gamma < \aleph_1$,
- iii. $X_\alpha \cap \aleph_1 \in \aleph_1$ for each $\alpha < \aleph_1$,

and the set of $X_\alpha \cap \aleph_1$ forms a club subset of \aleph_1 .

Problem 11. Let \sqsubset be a well-ordering of a set X .

1. For all $a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_n \in X$ let $\bar{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \sqsubset^n \bar{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$ iff $\bar{a} \neq \bar{b}$ and $a_i \sqsubset b_i$ for the minimal i with $a_i \neq b_i$. Prove that \sqsubset^n is a well-ordering of X^n .
2. For all $\bar{a}, \bar{b} \in X^{<\omega} = \bigcup_{n \in \omega} X^n$ let $\bar{a} \sqsubset^{<\omega} \bar{b}$ if either \bar{a} is a shorter finite sequence than \bar{b} or for some $n \in \omega$, $\bar{a}, \bar{b} \in X^n$ and $\bar{a} \sqsubset^n \bar{b}$. Prove that $\sqsubset^{<\omega}$ is a well-ordering of $X^{<\omega}$.

Problem 12. Suppose $V = L$ and $\alpha < \aleph_1$. Give an explicit example of a subset a of ω such that $a \in L_{\aleph_1} - L_\alpha$.

Hint: See Exercise 5.15 in the lecture notes. You may use that the Reflection Principle holds for $(L_\alpha : \alpha < \aleph_1)$ (this is true since \aleph_1 has uncountable

confinality). Note that L_{\aleph_1} satisfies ZF without the Power set Axiom by Lemma 5.12. You may use that there is a finite fragment ZF^* of ZF without the Power set Axiom which implies the following version of Theorem 4.5 (Mostowski collapse): If E is a binary relation on a set X and (X, E) is extensional and well-founded, then there are a unique transitive set Y and a unique isomorphism $\mu : (X, E) \rightarrow (Y, \in)$.

Please hand in your solutions on 27 April before the lecture.