

Few New Reals+

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Let $T \subseteq H(\theta)$ and let \mathcal{N} be a finite set of countable subsets of $H(\theta)$. We will say that \mathcal{N} is a T -symmetric system iff

- (A) For every $N \in \mathcal{N}$, $(N, \in, T) \prec (H(\theta), \in, T)$.
- (B) Given distinct N, N' in \mathcal{N} , if $\delta_N = \delta_{N'}$, then there is a unique isomorphism

$$\Psi_{N,N'} : (N, \in, T) \longrightarrow (N', \in, T)$$

Furthermore, $\Psi_{N,N'}$ is the identity on $N \cap N'$.

- (C) \mathcal{N} is closed under isomorphisms. That is, for all N, N', M in \mathcal{N} , if $M \in N$ and $\delta_N = \delta_{N'}$, then $\Psi_{N,N'}(M) \in \mathcal{N}$.
- (D) For all N, M in \mathcal{N} , if $\delta_M < \delta_N$, then there is some $N' \in \mathcal{N}$ such that $\delta_{N'} = \delta_N$ and $M \in N'$.

Lemma

Let $T \subseteq H(\theta)$, let \mathcal{N} be a T -symmetric system and let $N \in \mathcal{N}$. Then the following holds.

- 1 $\mathcal{N} \cap N$ is a T -symmetric system.
- 2 Suppose $\mathcal{N}^* \in N$ is a T -symmetric system such that $\mathcal{N} \cap N \subseteq \mathcal{N}^*$. Let

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{N} \cup \bigcup \{ \Psi_{N,N'} \mathcal{N}^* : N' \in \mathcal{N}, \delta_{N'} = \delta_N \}$$

Then \mathcal{M} is the \subseteq -minimal T -symmetric system \mathcal{W} such that $\mathcal{N} \cup \mathcal{N}^* \subseteq \mathcal{W}$.

Given $T \subseteq H(\theta)$ and T -symmetric systems $\mathcal{N}_0, \mathcal{N}_1$, let us write $\mathcal{N}_0 \cong \mathcal{N}_1$ iff

- $(\bigcup \mathcal{N}_0) \cap (\bigcup \mathcal{N}_1) = R$ and
- for some $m < \omega$, there are enumerations $(N_i^0)_{i < m}$ and $(N_i^1)_{i < m}$ of \mathcal{N}_0 and \mathcal{N}_1 , respectively, together with an isomorphism between

$$\langle \bigcup \mathcal{N}_0, \in, T, R, N_i^0 \rangle_{i < m}$$

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Definition

The poset \mathcal{P}_0 is the set of all the T -symmetric systems. Given q_1 and q_0 in \mathcal{P}_0 , $q_1 \leq_{\mathcal{P}_0} q_0$ iff $q_0 \subseteq q_1$.

Corollary

- ① \mathcal{P}_0 is (strongly) proper.
- ② (CH) If there is a bijection between θ and $H(\theta)$ which is definable in $(H(\theta), \in, T)$, then \mathcal{P}_0 is \aleph_2 -Knaster.
- ③ (CH) If there is a bijection between θ and $H(\theta)$ which is definable in $(H(\theta), \in, T)$, then \mathcal{P}_0 preserves CH.

Proof of (1). Suppose that κ is regular and N^* is a ctble. elem. substr. of $H(\kappa)$ s. t. \mathcal{P}_0 and the cond. s are in N^* . Then, letting $N = N^* \cap H(\theta)$ and $s' = s \cup \{N\}$, s' is (N^*, \mathcal{P}_0) -generic.

Let E be a dense subset of \mathcal{P}_0 in N^* . It suffices to show that there is some condition in $E \cap N^*$ compatible with s' . Notice first that $s' \cap N \in \mathcal{P}_0$. Hence, we may find a condition $s^\circ \in E \cap N$ extending $s' \cap N$. Now let

$$s^* = s' \cup \{\psi_{N, \bar{N}}(M) : M \in q^\circ, \bar{N} \in s', \delta_{\bar{N}} = \delta_N\}.$$

So, s^* is a condition in \mathcal{P}_0 extending both s' and s° .

Proof of (2). Suppose that $s_\xi = \{N_i^\xi : i < m\}$ is a \mathcal{P}_0 -condition for each $\xi < \omega_2$. By CH we may assume that $\{\bigcup_{i < m} N_i^\xi : \xi < \omega_2\}$ forms a Δ -system with root X . Moreover, by CH we may assume, for all $\xi, \xi' < \omega_2$, that the structures $\langle \bigcup_{i < m} N_i^\xi, \in, P, X, N_i^\xi \rangle_{i < m}$ and $\langle \bigcup_{i < m} N_i^{\xi'}, \in, P, X, N_i^{\xi'} \rangle_{i < m}$ are isomorphic and that the isomorphism fixes X .

The first assertion follows from the fact that there are only \aleph_1 -many iso. types for such structures. For the second assertion note that, if ψ is the unique isomorphism between $\langle \bigcup_{i < m} N_i^\xi, \in, T, X, N_i^\xi \rangle_{i < m}$ and $\langle \bigcup_{i < m} N_i^{\xi'}, \in, T, X, N_i^{\xi'} \rangle_{i < m}$, then the restriction of ψ to $X \cap \theta$ has to be the identity on $X \cap \theta$. Since there is a bijection between θ and $H(\theta)$ which is definable in $(H(\theta), \in, T)$, we have that ψ fixes X if and only if it fixes $X \cap \theta$. It follows that ψ fixes X . Hence, for all $\xi, \xi' < \omega_2$, $s_\xi \cup s_{\xi'}$ extends both s_ξ and $s_{\xi'}$.

Proof of (3). Suppose $\dot{s} \in \mathcal{S}_P$, \dot{r}_α (for $\alpha < \omega_2$) are \mathcal{P}_0 -names, and \dot{s} forces that \dot{r}_α , for $\alpha < \omega_2$, are pairwise distinct reals. By the \aleph_2 -chain condition of \mathcal{P}_0 we may assume that each \dot{r}_α is in $H(\theta)$. Let κ be a regular cardinal such that $\mathcal{P}_0 \in H(\kappa)$. For each α let N_α be such that $\{q, \dot{r}_\alpha\} \in N_\alpha$ and N_α is a countable elementary substructure of $(H(\theta), \in, P, \mathcal{S}_P)$. We can also assume that for each α , there is a countable elementary substructure $N_\alpha^* \prec H(\kappa)$ such that $N_\alpha = H(\theta) \cap N_\alpha^*$. By CH, there are distinct α, α' such that $(N_\alpha, \in, P, \mathcal{P}_0, \dot{s}, \dot{r}_\alpha)$ and $(N_{\alpha'}, \in, P, \mathcal{P}_0, \dot{s}, \dot{r}_{\alpha'})$ are isomorphic.

By the above lemmas we may also assume that $s \cup \{N_\alpha, N_{\alpha'}\}$ is a \mathcal{P}_0 -condition. So, $s \cup \{N_\alpha, N_{\alpha'}\}$ is $(N_\alpha^*, \mathcal{P}_0)$ -generic and $(N_{\alpha'}^*, \mathcal{P}_0)$ -generic. Let Ψ be the unique isomorphism between N_α and $N_{\alpha'}$ and note that for every natural number n and for every condition s' \mathcal{P}_0 -extending $s \cup \{N_\alpha, N_{\alpha'}\}$, there are conditions s'' and r such that $r \in N_\alpha$, r decides the n th value of \dot{r}_α and s'' is a common \mathcal{P}_0 -extension of r and s' . Since symmetric systems are closed under isomorphism, s'' also \mathcal{P}_0 -extends $\Psi(r) \in N_{\alpha'}$. By correctness of Ψ , $\Psi(r)$ forces that the n th value of $\Psi(\dot{r}_\alpha) = \dot{r}_{\alpha'}$ is equal to the n th value of \dot{r}_α . So, $s \cup \{N_\alpha, N_{\alpha'}\}$ forces that $\dot{r}_\alpha = \dot{r}_{\alpha'}$. This is a contradiction.

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Some ingredients of the CH construction

Our construction can be roughly described as a finitely supported forcing iteration $\langle \mathcal{P}_\beta : \beta \leq \kappa \rangle$ in which conditions come together with a side condition consisting of a graph of edges $\langle (N_0, \rho_0), (N_1, \rho_1) \rangle$, where each (N_i, ρ_i) is a model with markers, with suitable structural properties. Given any such edge, all information carried by the condition—including both its working part and its side condition—contained in N_0 is to be copied over into N_1 in an appropriate way. The working part consists of conditions for natural forcing notions adding instances of Measuring.

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Given functions f_0, \dots, f_n , for some $n < \omega$, we let

$$f_n \circ \dots \circ f_0$$

denote the function f with domain the set of $x \in \text{dom}(f_0)$ such that for every $i < n$, $(f_i \circ \dots \circ f_0)(x) \in \text{dom}(f_{i+1})$, and such that for every $x \in \text{dom}(f)$, $f(x) = f_n((f_{n-1} \circ \dots \circ f_0)(x))$.

If $\vec{\mathcal{E}} = (\langle (N_0^i, \rho_0^i), (N_1^i, \rho_1^i) \rangle : i < n)$, for some $n < \omega$, is a sequence of pairs of models with markers such that $N_0^i \cong N_1^i$ for all $i < n$, we denote $\Psi_{N_0^{n-1}, N_1^{n-1}} \circ \dots \circ \Psi_{N_0^0, N_1^0}$ by $\Psi_{\vec{\mathcal{E}}}$.

If \mathcal{G} is a set of edges and $\alpha < \kappa$, we call $\langle \alpha, \vec{\mathcal{E}} \rangle$ a \mathcal{G} -thread if $\vec{\mathcal{E}}$ is a finite sequence of edges in \mathcal{G} and $\alpha \in \text{dom}(\Psi_{\vec{\mathcal{E}}})$.

If \mathcal{G} is a set of edges and $\alpha < \kappa$, we denote by $\mathcal{G}|_\alpha$ the set of edges $\langle (N_0, \bar{\rho}_0), (N_1, \bar{\rho}_1) \rangle$, with the following properties.

- 1 $\bar{\rho}_0$ is the supremum of the set of ordinals $\xi + 1$, with $\xi \in N_0$ being such that
 - 1 $\xi < \rho_0$ for some edge $\langle (N_0, \rho_0), (N_1, \rho_1) \rangle \in \mathcal{G}$;
 - 2 $\Psi_{\bar{\mathcal{E}}}(\xi) < \alpha$ and $\Psi_{\bar{\mathcal{E}}}(\xi) < \rho_1^n$ for every \mathcal{G} -thread

$$\langle \xi, (\langle (N_0^i, \rho_0^i), (N_1^i, \rho_1^i) \rangle : i \leq n) \rangle$$

such that $N_0 \in N_0^0 \cup \{N_0^0\}$.

- 2 $\bar{\rho}_1 = \sup\{\Psi_{N_0, N_1}(\xi) + 1 : \xi \in N_0 \cap \bar{\rho}_0\}$.

We will call a finite function F *pertinent* if $\text{dom}(F) \in [\kappa]^{<\omega}$ and for every $\alpha \in \text{dom}(F)$, $F(\alpha) = (b_\alpha, d_\alpha)$, where

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Given any $\alpha < \kappa$, and assuming \mathcal{P}_α has been defined, we let \dot{C}^α be some canonically chosen (using Φ) \mathcal{P}_α -name for a club-sequence on ω_1^V such that \mathcal{P}_α forces that

- $\dot{C}^\alpha = \Phi(\alpha)$ in case $\Phi(\alpha)$ is a \mathcal{P}_α -name for a club-sequence on ω_1 , and that
- \dot{C}^α is some fixed club-sequence on ω_1 in the other case.

Given $\delta \in \text{Lim}(\omega_1)$, we let \dot{C}_δ^α be a name for $\dot{C}^\alpha(\delta)$.

Let $\beta < \kappa$. An ordered pair $q = (F_q, \mathcal{G}_q)$ is a \mathcal{P}_β -condition if and only if it has the following properties.

- 1 \mathcal{G}_q is a sticky, reflexive and symmetric set of edges closed under copying, and such that
 - 1 $\mathcal{N}_0^{\Delta(\mathcal{G}_q)}$ is a Φ_0 -symmetric system;
 - 2 for every $\alpha < \beta$, $\mathcal{N}_{\alpha+1}^{\Delta(\mathcal{G}_q)}$ is a $\Phi_{\alpha+1}$ -symmetric system;
 - 3 $\rho_0, \rho_1 \leq \beta$ for every $\langle (N_0, \rho_0), (N_1, \rho_1) \rangle \in \mathcal{G}_q$.
- 2 F_q is a pertinent function with $\text{dom}(F_q) \subseteq \beta$.
- 3 For every $\alpha < \beta$, the restriction of q to α , $q|_\alpha$, is a condition in \mathcal{P}_α , where

$$q|_\alpha := (F_q|_{\mathcal{G}_q|_\alpha}, \mathcal{G}_q|_\alpha)$$

- 4 $F_q = F_q|_{\mathcal{G}_q}$ and $\mathcal{G}_q = \mathcal{G}_q|_\beta$.

If $\alpha \in \text{dom}(F_q)$, then $F_q(\alpha) = (b_\alpha^q, d_\alpha^q)$ has the following properties.

- ❶ $\text{dom}(b_\alpha^q) \subseteq \{\delta_N : N \in \mathcal{N}_{\alpha+1}^q\}$
- ❷ For every $N \in \mathcal{N}_{\alpha+1}^q$ and $(\delta_0, \delta_1) \in b_\alpha^q$, if $\delta_1 < \delta_N < \delta_0$, then $q|_\alpha \Vdash_\alpha \delta_N \notin \dot{C}_{\delta_0}^\alpha$.
- ❸ For every $N \in \mathcal{N}_{\alpha+1}^q$, $(\delta, a) \in d_\alpha^q \cap N$ and $N' \in \mathcal{N}_{\alpha+1}^q$, if $\delta_{N'} = \delta_N$, then $(\delta, \Psi_{N,N'}(a)) \in d_{\alpha+1}^q$.
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- 1 $\text{dom}(F_{q_0}) \subseteq \text{dom}(F_{q_1})$ and the following holds for every $\alpha \in \text{dom}(F_{q_0})$.
 - 1 $b_\alpha^{q_0} \subseteq b_\alpha^{q_1}$
 - 2 $d_\alpha^{q_0} \subseteq d_\alpha^{q_1}$
- 2 For every $\langle (N_0, \rho_0), (N_1, \rho_1) \rangle \in \mathcal{G}_{q_0}$ there are $\rho'_0 \geq \rho_0$ and $\rho'_1 \geq \rho_1$ such that $\langle (N_0, \rho'_0), (N_1, \rho'_1) \rangle \in \mathcal{G}_{q_1}$.