

Determinacy, measurable cardinals and more

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Motivation

Theorem (Woodin)

Assume $V = \mathbf{L}(\mathbb{R}) + \text{AD}$. Then if $\Theta = \delta$ we have that

$\text{HOD} \models \delta$ is a Woodin cardinal.

Goal

Assuming the axiom of determinacy, we want to present an abstract method for taking a combinatorial object (an *ultrafilter*) from $\mathbf{L}(\mathbb{R})$ and turn it into a stronger large cardinal property (an *elementary embedding*) in HOD.

Reasons for inner models

In the absence of the axiom of choice the existence of ultrafilters and elementary embeddings are not equivalent.

Lemma

Assume that $j : V \rightarrow M$ is an elementary embedding, where M is a transitive model, with critical point κ . Then $V_\kappa \models \text{ZF}$. If AD is true, it is also true in V_κ .

Proof Sketch.

Let $f : x \rightarrow V_\kappa$, where $x \in V_\kappa$. Since κ is the critical point $j(x) = x$. So $\text{dom}(j(f)) = x$, by the elementarity of j .

Furthermore for $y \in x$, $j(y) = y$ and $j(f(y)) = f(y)$. Hence $j(f) = f$. Therefore $\text{ran}(f) \subseteq V_\alpha$ for $\alpha < \kappa$. □

Details I

Theorem (Martin)

Assume AD. Then the filter containing the Turing cones, M_T , is an ultrafilter.

Theorem (Kunen)

Assume AD + DC and let $\kappa < \Theta$. Then every ω_1 -complete ultrafilter over κ is ordinal definable.

Proof Sketch.

We can define a function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \kappa$ such that $f^*[M_T] = \mathcal{U}$. From DC we have that $V^{\mathbb{R}}/M_T$ is well-founded and thus its transitive collapse is a standard class M (and f is represented by γ in M). Hence we can define an embedding $j : V \rightarrow M$. Then, since M_T is OD, we have that so is j . Finally \mathcal{U} can be extracted in a definable way from j and γ :

$$X \in \mathcal{U} \iff f^{-1}[X] \in M_T \iff \gamma \in j(X).$$

Details II

Proposition

If \mathcal{U} is an OD, λ -complete (normal) ultrafilter over κ , then so is $\mathcal{U} \cap \text{HOD}$ in HOD.

Proof Sketch.

If f is regressive in HOD, it is also regressive in V and the normality of \mathcal{U} implies that f is constant with value γ in \mathcal{U} . Then this set is definable from f and γ , hence it is OD. \square

Theorem

Assume DC. If \mathcal{U} is an OD, ω_1 -complete ultrafilter over κ , then if M is the transitive collapse of $\text{HOD}^\kappa / \mathcal{U}$, we have that $M \subseteq \text{HOD}$.

Proof Sketch.

By Łoś Theorem, we define a well-ordering of M , $<$, such that $\{x : x < y\}$ is a set for all $y \in M$. This yields a function $F : M \rightarrow \text{On}$. That is, $M \subseteq \text{HOD}$. \square

Details III

Corollary

Assume that φ is a property such that

$$(\forall \xi \in \kappa)[\varphi(\xi) \implies \varphi^{\text{HOD}}(\xi)].$$

If \mathcal{U} is an OD ultrafilter over κ such that $\{\xi \in \kappa : \varphi(\xi)\} \in \mathcal{U}$ then

$$\text{HOD} \models \{\xi \in \kappa : \varphi(\xi)\} \in \mathcal{U} \cap \text{HOD}.$$

Examples:

- “ ξ is a cardinal”
- “ ξ is an inaccessible cardinal”
- “ ξ is a Mahlo cardinal”
- “ ξ is measurable”
- “ ξ is 1-measurable”
- ...

Application

Definition

A *Spector pointclass* is an ω -parametrised normed pointclass, closed under trivial substitution, \wedge , \vee , \exists^{\leq} , \forall^{\leq} , \exists^{ω} , \forall^{ω} and it contains all semirecursive sets.

Lemma (Bounding Lemma)

Let Γ be a Spector pointclass closed under $\forall^{\mathbb{R}}$. If $\varphi : S \rightarrow \delta$ is a Γ -norm with $S \in \Gamma \setminus \Delta$ and $Q \in \check{\Gamma}$ with $Q \subseteq S$, then there exists some $\xi \in \delta$ such that $\varphi[Q] \subseteq \xi$.

Theorem

Assume AD. If Γ is a Spector pointclass closed under $\forall^{\mathbb{R}}$ then $o(\Delta)$ is a regular cardinal.

Application

Theorem

Assume AD. Let Γ be a Spector pointclass closed under $\forall^{\mathbb{R}}$. If $\kappa = o(\mathbf{\Delta})$ then $\kappa \rightarrow (\kappa)_2^{\omega+\omega}$.

The game.

Let $f : [\kappa]^{\omega+\omega} \rightarrow 2$ and let $\varphi : S \twoheadrightarrow \kappa$, be a Γ -norm. Players plays $\omega \cdot (\omega + \omega)$ many elements of S (x_ξ and y_ξ). For $\delta \in \omega + \omega$ we define

$$\alpha_\delta = \bigcup (\{\varphi(x_{\omega \cdot \delta + n}) \mid n \in \omega\} \cup \{\varphi(y_{\omega \cdot \delta + n}) \mid n \in \omega\}).$$

Player I wins exactly when $f(\{\alpha_\delta : \delta \in \omega + \omega\}) = 0$. □

Application

Proof Sketch.

Assuming that I has a winning strategy σ , II can take control of the game: Using the closure of Γ under $\forall^{\mathbb{R}}$ we have that for every $\nu \in \kappa$

$$B_\nu = \{((\sigma \star y)_I)_\xi : \forall \zeta < \xi : \varphi(y_\zeta) < \nu\}$$

is in $\check{\Gamma}$. By the Bounding lemma it is bounded. Hence for every $\nu \in \kappa$ we can define the bound $\rho(\nu)$. The set

$$C = \{\beta \in \kappa : (\forall \gamma < \beta)[\rho(\gamma) < \beta]\}$$

is a club set. Then $C \cap E_\omega^\kappa$ is homogeneous for f . □

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Let κ be a cardinal. If for all $\mu \in \kappa$ we have that $\kappa \rightarrow (\kappa)_\mu^\kappa$ then for every stationary set S there is a normal κ -complete ultrafilter \mathcal{U} over κ such that $S \in \mathcal{U}$.

Application

Definition

A cardinal κ is called 1-embedding if there is an elementary embedding $j : V \rightarrow M$ with critical point κ such that κ is measurable in M .

Corollary

Assume $V = \mathbf{L}(\mathbb{R})$ and AD and let $\delta = \Theta$. Then

$\text{HOD} \models \delta$ is an inaccessible limit of 1-embedding cardinals.