

Big Classes and Class Forcings

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Motivation

From “*Taking Reinhardt’s Power Away*”, *arXiv:2009.01127*

Suppose that

- V is a model of ZFC *without Power Set*,¹
- $M \subseteq V$ is a transitive class containing ORD ,
- $j : V \rightarrow M$ is a non-trivial elementary embedding with critical point κ .

Questions

- Is V_κ a set in V ?
- What about $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$?

¹To be defined on the next slide

ZFC without Power Set²

Under ZF the following three principles are equivalent:

- The Reflection Principle
- The Collection Scheme
- The Replacement Scheme.

However, without Power Set the reverse implications break down.

Definition (ZF-)

Let ZF- denote the theory consisting of the following axioms:

- Empty set, Extensionality, Pairing, Unions, Infinity,
- the Foundation Scheme, the Separation Scheme,
- the Replacement Scheme.

²See *What is the Theory ZFC without Power Set?* by Gitman, Hamkins and Johnstone.

ZFC without Power Set²

Definition

- ZF^- denotes the theory ZF^- plus the Collection Scheme.
- ZFC^- denotes the theory ZF^- plus the Well-Ordering Principle.
- $\text{ZFC}_{\text{Ref}}^-$ denotes the theory ZFC^- plus the Reflection Principle.

Remarks

- For μ regular, $H_\mu \models \text{ZFC}_{\text{Ref}}^-$.
- Models of ZFC^- can behave very counter-intuitively.

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Big Classes

Definition

A proper class A is called *Big* if for every non-zero ordinal α there is a surjection of A onto α .

Proposition

If $j : V \rightarrow M$ is elementary and if $j \upharpoonright (C \cup \{C\})$ is the identity then C does not surject onto κ .

Corollary

If $j : V \rightarrow M$ is elementary, $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$ is not big.

Proposition

Under ZF, every proper class is big.

Easy Examples 1

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Proof.

- Given a proper class \mathcal{C} , define

$$S := \{\gamma \in \text{ORD} : \exists x \in \mathcal{C} \text{ rank}(x) = \gamma\}.$$

- S must be unbounded in the ordinals.
- So, given an ordinal α , we can take the first α many elements of S , $\{\gamma_\beta : \beta \in \alpha\}$.
- Then

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \beta, & \text{if rank}(x) = \gamma_\beta \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

defines a surjection of \mathcal{C} onto α .



Easy Examples 2

Theorem (Gitman, Hamkins, Johnstone)

Suppose that $V \models \text{ZFC}$, κ is a regular cardinal with $2^\omega < \aleph_\kappa$ and that $G \subseteq \text{Add}(\omega, \aleph_\kappa)$ is V -generic. If $W = \bigcup_{\gamma < \kappa} V[G_\gamma]$ where $G_\gamma = G \cap \text{Add}(\omega, \aleph_\gamma)$, (that is G_γ is the first \aleph_γ many of the Cohen reals added by G) then $W \models \text{ZFC}^-$ has the same cardinals as V and the DC_α -Scheme holds in W for all $\alpha < \kappa$, but the DC_κ -Scheme and the Collection Scheme fail.

- W will have the same cardinals as V and $V[G]$.
- In $V[G]$, $2^\omega = \aleph_\kappa$.
- Therefore there is no surjection of $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$ onto $\aleph_{\kappa+1}$.
- Hence there is no such surjection in W .
- So W is a model of ZFC^- with a proper class that is not big.

Dependent Choice

Under ZF, Set dependent choice of length μ is defined as follows:

Definition (DC_μ)

- Let S be a non-empty set and R a binary relation.
- Suppose that for every $\alpha \in \mu$ and every α -sequence $s = \langle x_\beta : \beta \in \alpha \rangle$ of elements of S there exists some $y \in S$ such that sRy .
- Then there is a function $f : \mu \rightarrow S$ such that for every $\alpha \in \mu$, $(f \upharpoonright \alpha)Rf(\alpha)$.

S is the domain and R is the relation

Dependent Choice

Under ZF^- , **Class** dependent choice of length μ is defined as follows:

Definition (DC_μ -Scheme)

- Let ψ and φ be formulae and u and w be sets such that for some z , $\psi(z, u)$.
- Suppose that for every $\alpha \in \mu$ and every α -sequence $s = \langle x_\beta : \beta \in \alpha \rangle$ satisfying $\psi(x_\beta, u)$ for each β there exists some y satisfying $\psi(y, u)$ and $\varphi(s, y, w)$.
- Then there is a function f with domain μ such that for every $\alpha \in \mu$, $\psi(f(\alpha), u)$ and $\varphi((f \upharpoonright \alpha), f(\alpha), w)$.

ψ is the domain and φ is the relation

Reflection

Definition

$\text{ZF}_{\text{DC}_{<\text{ORD}}}^-$ is the theory ZF^- plus the DC_μ -Scheme for every cardinal μ .

Theorem (Gitman, Hamkins and Johnstone)

Over ZFC^- , the DC_{\aleph_0} -Scheme is equivalent to the Reflection Principle.

Theorem (Friedman, Gitman and Kanovei)

The Reflection Principle is not provable in ZFC^- .

Proper Classes are Big with Dependent Choice

Theorem (M.)

Suppose that $V \models \text{ZF}^- + \text{DC}_\mu$ for μ an infinite cardinal. Then for any proper class \mathcal{C} , which is definable over V , there is a subset b of \mathcal{C} of cardinality μ .

Proof

Corollary

If $V \models \text{ZF}_{\text{DC} < \text{ORD}}^-$ then every proper class is big.

Corollary

If $j : V \rightarrow M$ is an elementary embedding then both $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$ and V_κ are sets.

An attempt

- Start with a model of ZFC.
- Consider the forcing $\mathbb{P} = \text{Add}(\omega, \text{ORD} \times \omega)$ to add ORD many ω blocks of Cohen reals.
- Let $G \subseteq \mathbb{P}$ be generic. Then $M[G] \models \text{ZFC}^-$.
- Take the symmetric model N such that the blocks form an amorphous proper class.³

Assertion

N is a model of ZF^- with an infinite class which doesn't surject onto ω .

³That is an infinite class A such that for any subclass B either B or $A \setminus B$ is finite.

A Contradiction

Theorem

Suppose that $\langle N, A \rangle$ satisfies;

- ① *N models ZF^- in the language with a predicate for A ,*
- ② *$A \subseteq N$ and $\langle N, A \rangle \models$ “ A is a proper class”,*
- ③ *$\langle N, A \rangle \models$ “if $B \subseteq A$ is infinite then B is a proper class”.*

Then the Collection Scheme fails in $\langle N, A \rangle$. In fact, $\langle N, A \rangle$ does not have a cumulative hierarchy and therefore the Power Set also fails.

To prove that the Collection Scheme fails consider the sentence

$$\forall n \in \omega \ \exists y \ (|y| = n \ \wedge \ y \subseteq A).$$

What Does this mean?

- Suppose that $M \models \text{ZF}^-$.
- A class forcing $\mathbb{P} \in M$ is *pretame* if for any \mathbb{P} -generic G , $M[G] \models \text{ZF}^-$.
- Adding ORD many Cohen reals is pretame.
- But the Collection Scheme failed in N .
- Therefore the symmetric submodel of a pretame class forcing need not preserve the Collection Scheme.

Remarks

- In fact, it is unclear what the symmetric submodel actually satisfies!
- In Gitik's model where every cardinal is singular, the forcing is pretame (and Power Set fails) but the symmetric submodel satisfies ZF !

Symmetric Class Forcing

- Suppose that $\langle M, \mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2, \mathcal{C}_3 \rangle^4$ is a model of fourth order ZFC and \mathbb{P} is a pretame class forcing. ($\text{Add}(\omega, \text{ORD})$)
- Let $\mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{C}_2$ be a group of order preserving automorphisms of \mathbb{P} . (*The automorphisms generated by bijections of ORD*)
- Let $\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{C}_3$ denote the collection of subclasses of \mathcal{G} .
- $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}_3$ is a *normal filter of subgroups of \mathcal{G}* if
 - $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{K}$,
 - If $H \in \mathcal{F}$ and $K \in \mathcal{F}$ then $H \cap K \in \mathcal{F}$,
 - If $H \in \mathcal{F}$ and $H \subseteq K$ where $K \in \mathcal{K}$ then $K \in \mathcal{F}$,
 - (Normality) If $\pi \in \mathcal{G}$ and $H \in \mathcal{F}$ then $\pi H \pi^{-1} \in \mathcal{F}$.
- (*The filter generated by fixing finite subsets of ORD*)
- We shall then call the triple $\langle \mathbb{P}, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{F} \rangle$ a *symmetric system*.

⁴ \mathcal{C}_1 are the classes, \mathcal{C}_2 the hyper-classes and \mathcal{C}_3 the hyper-hyper-classes.

The Symmetric Model

Definition

Say that a name \dot{x} is *symmetric* if

$$\text{sym}(\dot{x}) := \{\pi \in \mathcal{G} : \pi\dot{x} = \dot{x}\} \in \mathcal{F}.$$

Let $\text{HS}_{\mathcal{F}}$ denote the class of *hereditarily symmetric names*.

Definition

The *symmetric model* given by \mathcal{F} is $\langle \mathcal{N}, \mathcal{C} \rangle$ where

$$\mathcal{N} := \{\dot{x}^G : \dot{x} \in M^{\mathbb{P}} \wedge \dot{x} \in \text{HS}_{\mathcal{F}}\}$$

$$\mathcal{C} := \{\dot{x}^G : \dot{x} \in \mathcal{C}_1^{\mathbb{P}} \wedge \dot{x} \in \text{HS}_{\mathcal{F}}\}.$$

The Symmetry Lemma

Let φ be a formula, $p \in \mathbb{P}$, $\pi \in \mathcal{G}$, $\dot{x} \in M^{\mathbb{P}}$ and $\dot{\Gamma} \in \mathcal{C}_1$. Then

$$p \Vdash \varphi(\dot{x}, \dot{\Gamma}) \iff \pi p \Vdash \varphi(\pi\dot{x}, \pi\dot{\Gamma}).$$

Replacement

- Let N be the symmetric submodel.
- Suppose that $p \Vdash \dot{f}$ is a total function on \dot{a} where \dot{f} and \dot{a} are hereditarily symmetric names.
- We want a name for the range of f .
- Using collection, we can find some set of hereditarily symmetric names c containing witnesses to elements being in the range of \dot{f} .
- Let

$$\dot{b} = \{ \langle \dot{y}, s \rangle : \dot{y} \in c \wedge \exists \langle \dot{x}, r \rangle \in \dot{a} (s \in d_{\dot{x}, r}^5 \wedge s \Vdash \dot{f}(\dot{x}) = \dot{y}) \}.$$

- Want to conclude that for any $\pi \in \text{sym}(\dot{a}) \cap \text{sym}(\dot{f})$, $\pi \dot{b} = \dot{b}$.
- However, in general, $\{ \pi(\langle \dot{y}, s \rangle) : \pi \in \text{sym}(\dot{a}) \cap \text{sym}(\dot{f}) \}$ will not be a set!

⁵These sets are determined using pretameness

Hereditary Respect

Definition

Say that a name \dot{x} is *respected* if $\{\pi \in \mathcal{G} : \mathbb{1} \Vdash \pi \dot{x} = \dot{x}\} \in \mathcal{F}$.
Let $\text{HR}_{\mathcal{F}}$ denote the class of *hereditarily respected names*.

Definition

The *respected model* given by \mathcal{F} is $\langle \mathcal{N}, \mathcal{C} \rangle$ where

$$\mathcal{N} := \{\dot{x}^G : \dot{x} \in \mathcal{M}^{\mathbb{P}} \wedge \dot{x} \in \text{HR}_{\mathcal{F}}\}$$

$$\mathcal{C} := \{\dot{x}^G : \dot{x} \in \mathcal{C}_1^{\mathbb{P}} \wedge \dot{x} \in \text{HR}_{\mathcal{F}}\}.$$

Remark

If \dot{a} and \dot{f} are hereditarily respected and $\{\pi : \pi p = p\} \in \mathcal{F}$ then so is

$$\dot{b} = \{\langle \dot{y}, s \rangle : \dot{y} \in c \wedge \exists \langle \dot{x}, r \rangle \in \dot{a} (s \in d_{\dot{x}, r} \wedge s \Vdash \dot{f}(\dot{x}) = \dot{y})\}.$$

The Respected Model

Theorem (M.)

Suppose that \mathbb{M} is a model of (fourth-order) GB^- . Let \mathbb{P} be a pretame class forcing and $\langle \mathbb{P}, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{F} \rangle$ a tenacious⁶ symmetric system. Then for any \mathbb{P} -generic G , the hereditarily respected model $\langle \mathbb{N}, \mathcal{C} \rangle$ is a model of GB^- .

Proposition

Suppose that \mathbb{M} is a model of (fourth-order) GB . Let \mathbb{P} be a pretame class forcing and $\langle \mathbb{P}, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{F} \rangle$ a tenacious symmetric system. Suppose further that for any $\dot{x} \in M^{\text{HR}}$ and any $H \in \mathcal{F}$, $\{\pi \dot{x} : \pi \in H\} \in M$.

Then $\dot{x} \in \text{HR}$ iff there is some $\dot{y} \in \text{HS}$ such that $1 \Vdash \dot{x} = \dot{y}$. Therefore $\mathbb{N} = \{\dot{x}^G : \dot{x} \in M^{\mathbb{P}} \wedge \dot{x} \in \text{HS}_{\mathcal{F}}\}$.

⁶That is, for every $p \in \mathbb{P}$, $\{\pi \in \mathcal{G} : \pi p = p\} \in \mathcal{F}$.

Union of ZF^- models

Construction (Zarach)

*Suppose that $\mathcal{M} = \langle M, \in \rangle \models ZFC$, $\mathbb{P} \in M$, $\omega(\mathbb{P})$ is the finite support product of ω many copies of N and $h : \mathbb{P} \cong \omega(\mathbb{P})$ be an order isomorphism. Let G be \mathbb{P} -generic over \mathcal{M} and $H = h^*G$ be $\omega(\mathbb{P})$ -generic. Let $G_n = H \restriction \{n\}$ be the n^{th} generic and let $M_n = M[G_0 \times \cdots \times G_{n-1}]$. Consider*

$$N = \bigcup_n M_n.$$

Theorem

$\langle N, \in \rangle$ is a model of $ZFC_{Ref}^- + \neg DC_{|\mathcal{P}^V[G](\mathbb{P})|+}$. In particular, $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{P})$ is a proper class that does not surject onto every ordinal!

A solution

Theorem

$\langle N, \in M \rangle$ is a model of $\text{ZFC}_{\text{Ref}}^- + \neg \text{DC}_{|\mathcal{P}^{V[G]}(\mathbb{P})|+}$. In particular, $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{P})$ is a proper class that does not surject onto every ordinal!

Corollary

One can have models V of $\text{ZFC}_{\text{Ref}}^-$ with an elementary embedding $j : V \rightarrow M$ for which $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$ is a proper class.

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A note on Injections

Theorem (Monro)

Let $\text{ZF}(K)$ be the theory with the language of ZF plus a one-place predicate K and let M be a countable transitive model of ZF. Then there is a model N such that N is a transitive model of $\text{ZF}(K)$ and

$N \models K$ *is a proper class which is Dedekind-finite and can be mapped onto the universe.*

Proper Classes Are Big with Reflection

Theorem (M.)

Suppose that $V \models \text{ZF}^- + \text{DC}_\mu$ for μ an infinite cardinal. Then for any proper class \mathcal{C} , which is definable over V , there is a subset b of \mathcal{C} of cardinality μ .

Proof

- We shall prove that for any $\nu \leq \mu$ there is a subset b of \mathcal{C} and a bijection between b and ν .
- Suppose not and let δ be the least cardinal for which this fails.
- Let $\varphi(s, y) \equiv (s \cup \{y\} \subseteq \mathcal{C} \wedge y \notin s)$.
- This satisfies the hypothesis of DC_δ .
- So there is a function f with domain δ and whose range gives a subset of \mathcal{C} of cardinality δ . Contradiction. □