The influence of closed maximality principles on generalized Baire space

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In contrast, it is possible to combine results of Halko/Shelah and Friedman/Hyttinen/Kulikov (or L./Schlicht) to show that a negative answer to the above question is also consistent.

Theorem

If G is $Add(\kappa, \kappa^+)$ -generic over V, then there is no Δ^1_1 -subset A of κ that separates $Club(\kappa)$ from $NStat(\kappa)$ in V[G].

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The following question is motivated by the *Kunen-Martin Theorem*.

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In particular, these techniques allow us to force the existence of a Σ^1_1 -well-ordering of a given length α .

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Given $\alpha < (2^{\kappa})^+$, there is a partial order $\mathbb P$ with the property that forcing with $\mathbb P$ preserves all cofinalities and the value of 2^{κ} and there is a Σ^1_1 -well-ordering of a subset of ${}^{\kappa}\kappa$ of order-type α in every $\mathbb P$ -generic extension of the ground model.

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If $\nu > \kappa$ is inaccessible, $G \times H$ is $(\operatorname{Col}(\kappa, < \nu) \times \operatorname{Add}(\kappa, \nu))$ -generic over V and $\langle A, < \rangle$ is a Σ^1 -well-ordering of a subset of κ in V[G, H], then A has cardinality κ in V[G, H].

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The axioms discussed in this talk consider classes of $<\kappa$ -closed forcings and allow statements with parameters of bounded hereditary cardinality.

We will refer to these principle as *boldface closed maximality principles*.

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The following remark shows that they may be viewed as strengthenings of the statement that Σ_1 -statements with parameters in $H(\kappa^+)$ are absolute with respect to $<\kappa$ -closed forcings.

Corollary

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