

## Exercise Sheet n°13

**Exercise 1:** Starting from any transitive model  $\mathbf{M}$  of **ZFA**, any countable infinite set of atoms  $\mathbb{A}$ ,  $\mathcal{G}$  the group of permutations of  $\mathbb{A}$ , and  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{G})$  be the filter generated<sup>1</sup> by

$$\{fix_{\mathcal{G}}(F) \subseteq \mathcal{G} \mid F \in \mathcal{P}_{fin}(\mathbb{A})\}$$

where<sup>2</sup>

$$fix_{\mathcal{G}}(F) = \{\pi \in \mathcal{G} \mid \forall \mathfrak{a} \in F \ \check{\pi}(\mathfrak{a}) = \mathfrak{a}\}.$$

The submodel of  $\mathbf{M}$  of all its hereditarily symmetric sets is the permutation model known as the basic Fraenkel Model:  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{F}_0}^{\mathbf{HS}} = \mathbf{M} \cap \mathbf{HS}_{\mathcal{F}}$ .

1. Show that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a normal filter. Namely,

- (a)  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}$ ,
- (b) if  $\mathcal{H} \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{K}$ , then  $\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{F}$ ,
- (c) if  $\mathcal{H} \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $\mathcal{H} \cap \mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{F}$ ,
- (d) if  $\mathcal{H} \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $\pi \circ \mathcal{H} \circ \pi^{-1} \in \mathcal{F}$ ,
- (e) for each atom  $\mathfrak{a} \in \mathbb{A}$ ,  $\{\pi \in \mathcal{G} \mid \pi(\mathfrak{a}) = \mathfrak{a}\} \in \mathcal{F}$ .

2. We recall that for any  $x \in \mathbf{M}$ ,  $sym_{\mathcal{G}}(x) = \{\pi \in \mathcal{G} \mid \check{\pi}(x) = x\}$ .

With same notation as in the previous exercise, show that for any  $F \in \mathcal{P}_{fin}(\mathbb{A})$  and any  $S \subseteq \mathbb{A}$ , if  $fix_{\mathcal{G}}(F) \subseteq sym_{\mathcal{G}}(S)$ , then  $S$  is either finite or co-finite and

- if  $S$  is finite, then  $S \subseteq F$ ;
- if  $S$  is co-finite, then  $(\mathbb{A} \setminus S) \subseteq F$ .

(Hint: distinguish between  $S \cap (\mathbb{A} \setminus F) = \emptyset$  and  $S \cap (\mathbb{A} \setminus F) \neq \emptyset$ .)

3. Show that inside the basic Fraenkel model, the set of atoms is Dedekind-finite. Namely,

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{F}_0}^{\mathbf{HS}} \models \aleph_0 \not\stackrel{1-1}{\rightarrow} \mathbb{A}.$$

(Hint: assume there exists  $f : \aleph_0 \xrightarrow{1-1} \mathbb{A}$  and consider the set  $S = \{f(2n) \in \mathbb{A} \mid n \in \omega\}$ .)

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<sup>1</sup>This means  $\mathcal{H} \in \mathcal{F}$  if and only if there exist  $F_0, \dots, F_n \in \mathcal{P}_{fin}(\mathbb{A})$  such that

$$\mathcal{H} \supseteq \bigcap_{i \leq n} fix_{\mathcal{G}}(F_i).$$

<sup>2</sup>We recall that given any permutation  $\pi : \mathbb{A} \xrightarrow{bij.} \mathbb{A}$ , the functional  $\check{\pi} : \mathcal{P}^{\infty}(\mathbb{A}) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}^{\infty}(\mathbb{A})$  is defined as:  $\check{\pi}(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ ; if  $\mathfrak{a} \in \mathbb{A}$ , then  $\check{\pi}(\mathfrak{a}) = \pi(\mathfrak{a})$ ; if  $x \notin \mathbb{A} \cup \{\emptyset\}$ , then  $\check{\pi}(x) = \{\check{\pi}(y) \mid y \in x\}$ .

4. Show that the basic Fraenkel model satisfies

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{F}_0}^{\text{HS}} \models \aleph_0 \overset{1-1}{\not\rightarrow} \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{A}).$$

(Hint: assume there exists  $f : \aleph_0 \xrightarrow{1-1} \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{A})$  such  $\text{sym}_{\mathcal{G}}(f)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{F}$  in order to get a contradiction.)

**Exercise 2:** Starting from any transitive model  $\mathbf{M}$  of **ZFA** whose set of atoms consists in a countable set  $\mathbb{A}$  equipped with a binary relation  $<_{\mathbf{M}} \subseteq \mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{A}$  which is a dense ordering without least nor greatest element. i.e.,  $(\mathbb{A}, <_{\mathbf{M}})$  is isomorphic to  $(\mathbb{Q}, <)$ .

We let  $\mathcal{G}$  be the group of all order preserving permutations of  $\mathbb{A}$ . i.e.,

$$\mathcal{G} = \left\{ \pi : \mathbb{A} \xrightarrow{\text{bij.}} \mathbb{A} \mid \forall a \in \mathbb{A} \forall b \in \mathbb{A} (a <_{\mathbf{M}} b \iff \pi(a) <_{\mathbf{M}} \pi(b)) \right\}.$$

Let  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{G})$  be the filter generated by  $\{\text{fix}_{\mathcal{G}}(F) \subseteq \mathcal{G} \mid F \in \mathcal{P}_{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{A})\}$ , which can be proved to be normal. The *ordered Mostowski model*  $\mathcal{M}$  is the corresponding permutation model.

1. Show that the set  $<_{\mathbf{M}} = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{A} \mid a <_{\mathbf{M}} b\}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{M}$ .
2. For any set  $y$ , we call **support** of  $y$  any  $F_y \in \mathcal{P}_{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{A})$  which satisfies  $\text{fix}_{\mathcal{G}}(F_y) \subseteq \text{sym}_{\mathcal{G}}(y)$ .

Notice that if  $F_y$  is a support of  $y$  and  $F_y \subseteq F \in \mathcal{P}_{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{A})$  holds, then  $\text{fix}_{\mathcal{G}}(F) \subseteq \text{fix}_{\mathcal{G}}(F_y) \subseteq \text{sym}_{\mathcal{G}}(y)$  holds as well, so that  $F$  is also a support of  $y$ .

- (a) Show that if  $F$  and  $F'$  are two supports of  $y$ , then  $F \cap F'$  is also a support of  $y$ .  
(Hint: notice that given a permutation  $\pi \in \text{fix}_{\mathcal{G}}(F \cap F')$  there exists permutations  $\rho_1, \dots, \rho_k \in \text{fix}_{\mathcal{G}}(F)$  and  $\rho'_1, \dots, \rho'_k \in \text{fix}_{\mathcal{G}}(F')$  — for some  $k$  large enough — such that  $\rho_1 \circ \rho'_1 \circ \rho_2 \circ \rho'_2 \circ \dots \circ \rho_k \circ \rho'_k = \pi$ .)
- (b) Show that for each set  $x \in \mathcal{M}$ , there exists some  $\subseteq$ -least support of  $x$ .
- (c) Show that the following class is symmetric:

$$\{(x, E) \in \mathcal{M} \times \mathcal{P}_{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{A}) \mid E \text{ is the } \subseteq \text{-least support of } x\}.$$

(Hint: for any  $\pi \in \mathcal{G}$ , look for a support of  $\check{\pi}(x, E) = (\check{\pi}(x), \check{\pi}(E))$ .)

3. Show that for all  $F \in \mathcal{P}_{\text{fin}}(\mathbb{A})$ , if  $F$  has  $n$  elements, then there exist exactly  $2^{2n+1}$  sets of the form  $S \subseteq \mathbb{A}$  such that  $F$  is a support of  $S$ .

(Hint: Assume  $F = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$  with  $a_1 <_{\mathbf{M}} \dots <_{\mathbf{M}} a_n$  and show first that for every integer  $1 \leq i < n$  each interval  $]a_i, a_{i+1}[$  satisfies either  $]a_i, a_{i+1}[ \subseteq S$  or  $]a_i, a_{i+1}[ \cap S = \emptyset$ . Show also that the same property holds also for  $] - \infty, a_1[$  and  $]a_n, +\infty[$ . Conclude.)

**Exercise 3:** The goal of this **difficult exercise** is to show that in the *Mostowski model*  $\mathcal{M}$  there exists some mapping  $f : \mathcal{P}_{fin}(\mathbb{A}) \xrightarrow{onto} \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{A})$ .

1. For all support  $F = \{\mathfrak{c}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{c}_n\}$  with  $\mathfrak{c}_1 <_{\mathbf{M}} \dots <_{\mathbf{M}} \mathfrak{c}_n$ , define a mapping

$$\begin{array}{ccc} {}^{2^{n+1}}2 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{A}) \\ \chi & \mapsto & S_\chi \end{array}$$

so that  $\{S_\chi \mid \chi \in {}^{2^{n+1}}2\}$  is the set of all subsets of  $\mathbb{A}$  which have  $F$  as support.

2. Show that in the *Mostowski model*  $\mathcal{M}$  there exists some mapping

$$f : \mathcal{P}_{fin}(\mathbb{A}) \xrightarrow{onto} \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{A}).$$