

Exercise Sheet n°6

Exercise 1:

The goal of this exercise is to show the independence of the axiom of foundation AF in the system $ZFC_{\text{fin}}^- = ZFC_{\text{fin}} \setminus \{AF\}$. More precisely, we show that there exists a model of $ZFC_{\text{fin}}^- \cup \{AF\}$ and another model of $ZFC_{\text{fin}}^- \cup \{\neg AF\}$.

Let φ be a bijection between \mathbb{N} and the set of finite parts of \mathbb{N} , and let $\in_\varphi \subseteq \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ be the binary relation defined by $x \in_\varphi y$ iff $x \in \varphi(y)$.

1. Show (briefly) that the structure $U_\varphi = (\mathbb{N}, \in_\varphi)$ is a model of ZFC_{fin}^- .
2. Show that, if for all $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$, we have that $p \in_\varphi q$ implies $p < q$ (the usual order on \mathbb{N}), then U_φ is a model of $ZFC_{\text{fin}}^- \cup \{AF\}$.
3. Exhibit a bijection φ such that U_φ is a model of $ZFC_{\text{fin}}^- \cup \{\neg AF\}$.

Exercise 2:

1. Find a non transitive class N such that " $N \models$ axiom of extensionality".
2. Show the following proposition:

Proposition. *Let M be a transitive class, then:*

- (1) " $M \models$ axiom of extensionality";
- (2) If $M \subseteq \mathbf{WF}$, then " $M \models$ axiom of foundation";
- (3) " $M \models$ pairing axiom" iff $\forall a, b \in M \exists c \in M \{a, b\} \subseteq c$;
- (4) " $M \models$ union axiom" iff $\forall a \in M \exists b \in M \bigcup a \subseteq b$;
- (5) " $M \models$ powerset axiom" iff $\forall a \in M \exists c \in M \mathcal{P}(a) \cap M \subseteq c$;
- (6) " $M \models$ comprehension axioms" iff for every formula $\varphi := \varphi(x, z, \bar{w})$ with free variables among x, z, w_1, \dots, w_n , we have:

$$\forall z \in M \forall w_1 \in M \dots \forall w_n \in M \{x \in z : \varphi(x, z, \bar{w})^M\} \in M$$

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- (7) " $M \models$ replacement axioms" iff for every formula $\varphi(x, y, w_1, \dots, w_n)$ with free variables among x, y, w_1, \dots, w_n , we have:

$$\forall c_1 \in M \dots \forall c_n \in M \forall A \in M [\forall x \in A \exists! y \in M \varphi^M(x, y, c_1, \dots, c_n) \rightarrow \exists B \in M (\{y : \exists x \in A \varphi^M(x, y, c_1, \dots, c_n)\} \subseteq B)] .$$

Exercise 3:

Denote by ZF^- the axiomatic system ZF without the axiom of foundation.

1. Working in ZF^- , show that " $V_\omega \models ZF - Inf + \neg Inf$ ".

Hint: Use exercise 2 to show that V_ω satisfies $Z - Inf$. For the axiom of infinity, suppose towards contradiction that V_ω satisfies it, and show that this implies that $\omega \in V_\omega$, from which a contradiction follows.

2. Working in ZF^- , show that " $\mathbf{WF} \models ZF$ ".

Hint: Notice that ω contains 0, is closed under successor and belongs to \mathbf{WF} .

3. Working in ZFC , show that " $V_\lambda \models ZC$ ", for all $\lambda > \omega$ limite.

Hint: Use the fact that the formula « R is a well order on a » is absolute for the transitive models of $ZF-P$.

Points 1 and 2 above lead to the following consistency results:

Theorem.

- (1) $ZF^- \vdash Con(ZF^-) \rightarrow Con(ZF - Inf + \neg Inf)$;
- (2) $ZF^- \vdash Con(ZF^-) \leftrightarrow Con(ZF)$.