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# SET-THEORETICAL CANONICAL MODELS

In what follows  $ZF$  denotes a first order theory whose only non-logical symbol is the elementhood binary predicate  $\in (x, y)$  and whose axioms are the usual Zermelo-Fraenkel settheoretical axioms (also denoted by  $ZF$ ) of Extensionality ( $E$ ), Powerset ( $P$ ), Sumset ( $S$ ), Infinity ( $I$ ), Choice ( $C$ ) and the axiom scheme of Replacement ( $R$ ).

By a model  $(M, \in)$  for  $\in (x, y)$  we mean a domain  $M$  of individuals ("sets") and an assignment of *Truth* "1" or *Falsehood* "0" to every atomic formula  $\in (a, b)$  where  $a$  and  $b$  are individuals ("sets") of  $M$ .

By a dyadic sequence we mean a (finite or transfinite) sequence whose terms are 0 or 1. Also, as expected,  $\in (x, y)$  is more often denoted by  $x \in y$ .

*Definition.* Let  $u$  be an ordinal number. A model  $(M, \in)$  is called a set-theoretical canonical model of type  $u$  provided its domain  $M$  is a family  $((d_i^j)_{i < u})_{j < u}$  of type  $u$  of dyadic sequences  $(d_i^j)_{i < u}$  of type  $u$  and where  $\in$  is defined by:

$$(d_i^k)_{i < u} \in (d_i^l)_{i < u} \text{ if and only if } d_k^l = 1. \quad (1)$$

In what follows we refer to "set-theoretical canonical model" simply as "canonical model". Moreover, when no confusion is likely to arise, we denote  $(d_i^j)_{i < u}$  by  $(d_i^j)$  and we denote a canonical model  $(M, \in)$  by  $M$ .

Although  $\omega_u = \aleph_u$  for every ordinal  $u$ , we use  $\omega_u$  notation in the cases pertaining primarily to order and we use  $\aleph_u$  notation in the cases pertaining primarily to cardinality. As usual, we denote  $\omega_0$  by  $\omega$ . Also, in Propositions 5 and 6 we use the Generalized Continuum Hypothesis ( $GCH$ ), i. e.,

$$2^{\aleph_u} = \aleph_{u+1} = \omega_{u+1} \quad (2)$$

Based on the above Definition, we prove:

*Lemma 1.* In every canonical model every two distinct dyadic sequences represent distinct sets (individuals).

*Proof.* Let  $(d_i^j) \neq (d_i^k)$ . Hence, for some ordinal  $k$  it must be the case that, say,  $d_k^j = 1$  and  $d_k^k = 0$ . But then from (1) it follows that  $(d_i^j) \in (d_i^k)$  whereas  $(d_i^k) \notin (d_i^j)$ . Thus, the sets  $(d_i^j)$  and  $(d_i^k)$  are distinct.

In view of Lemma 1 we have:

*Proposition 1.* In every canonical model the axiom of Extensionality is valid.

Next, we give a necessary and sufficient condition for the existence of a special kind of canonical models.

**Proposition 2.** *Let  $u$  be an ordinal number and  $\bar{v}$  be a cardinal number. Then there exists a canonical model  $M$  of type  $u$  whose domain consists of all dyadic sequences of type  $u$  each having less than  $\bar{v}$  ones, if and only if*

$$\bar{u} = \sum_{\bar{c} < \bar{v}} \bar{u}^{\bar{c}}. \quad (3)$$

**Proof.** If  $M$  exists then by Definition 1, we have  $\bar{M} = \bar{u}$ . On the other hand, clearly,  $\bar{M}$  is equal to the cardinality of the set of all functions from a cardinal  $\bar{c}$  into  $u$  such that  $\bar{c} < \bar{v}$ . Hence, (3) holds.

Conversely, let (3) hold. Let  $M$  be the set of all functions from a cardinal  $\bar{c}$  into  $u$  such that  $\bar{c} < \bar{v}$ . But then from (3) it follows that  $\bar{M} = \bar{u}$ . Consequently, in view of Definition 1, it is clear that  $M$  can serve as a domain for a canonical model of type  $u$ .

**Proposition 3.** *Let  $M$  be a canonical model of ordinal type  $u$  whose domain consists of all dyadic sequences of type  $u$  each having less than  $\bar{v}$  ones. Then every set of  $M$  has less than  $\bar{v}$  elements. Moreover, for every collection of less than  $\bar{v}$  sets*

$$(d_i^a)_{i < u}, (d_i^b)_{i < u}, (d_i^c)_{i < u}, \dots \quad (4)$$

*of  $M$  there exists a set  $(d_i^l)_{i < u}$  of  $M$  whose elements are precisely the sets of  $M$  which are listed in (4).*

**Proof.** The fact that every element of  $M$  has less than  $\bar{v}$  elements follows directly from (1).

Now, let us consider the dyadic sequence  $(d_i^l)_{i < u}$  such that

$$d_i^l = 1 \text{ if and only if } i = a, i = b, i = c, \dots \quad (5)$$

But then from (5) it follows that  $(d_i^l)_{i < u}$  is a dyadic sequence of type  $u$  having less than  $\bar{v}$  ones. Hence,  $(d_i^l)_{i < u}$  is a set of model  $M$ .

On the other hand, from (1) and (5) it follows that  $(d_i^l) \in (d_i^l)$  if and only if  $d_i^l = 1$ , if and only if  $k = a, k = b, k = c, \dots$ . Thus, by (1), the elements of  $(d_i^l)$  are precisely the sets of  $M$  which are listed in (4).

Below, we give an example of a canonical model in which, except for the axiom of Infinity, all other axioms of ZF are valid.

Since  $\aleph_0 = \sum_{n < \omega} \aleph_n^*$  from (3) it follows that a canonical model such as described in the following Proposition, exists.

**Proposition 4.** *Every canonical model  $A$  of type  $\omega$  whose domain consists of all dyadic sequences of type  $\omega$  each having less than  $\aleph_0$  (i. e., no or only finitely many) ones is a model for ZF-I.*

**Proof.** Clearly, to prove the Proposition, in view of Proposition 1, it is enough to show that axioms  $P$ ,  $S$ ,  $C$  and axiom scheme  $R$  are valid in a canonical model  $A$  described in the Proposition and that axiom  $I$  is not valid in  $A$ .

Let  $s$  be a set in  $A$ .

By Proposition 3 we see that in  $A$  there exist only finitely many subsets  $s_1, \dots, s_n$  of  $s$ . But then, from Proposition 3 it follows that in  $A$  there exists a set  $P_A(s)$  whose elements are precisely  $s_1, \dots, s_n$ . Thus, in  $A$  every set  $s$  has a powerset  $P_A(s)$ . Hence, axiom  $P$  is valid in  $A$ .

Similarly, by Proposition 3 we see that in  $A$  there exist no or only finitely many elements  $e_1, \dots, e_k$  of elements of  $s$ . But then, from Proposition 3 it follows that in  $A$  there exists a set  $U_A s$  which is the empty set (the zero sequence of type  $\omega$ ) or whose elements are precisely  $e_1, \dots, e_k$ . Thus, in  $A$  every set  $s$  has a sumset  $U_A s$ . Hence, axiom  $S$  is valid in  $A$ .

Let  $P(x, y)$  be a set-theoretical binary predicate functional in  $x$  on  $s$  in  $A$ . By Proposition 3 we see that in  $A$  there exist no or only finitely many sets  $c_1, \dots, c_m$  such that  $P(a_i, c_i)$  is true in  $A$  for some element  $a_i$  of  $s$ . But then, from Proposition 3 it follows that in  $A$  there exists a set which is the empty set or whose elements are precisely  $c_1, \dots, c_m$ . Thus, axiom scheme  $R$  is valid in  $A$ .

Let  $d$  be a disjointed (i. e., whose elements are pairwise disjoint) nonempty set in  $A$ . By Proposition 3 we see that in  $A$  there exist no or only finitely many sets  $r_1, \dots, r_n$  which can be unique representatives of elements of  $d$ . But then from Proposition 3 it follows that in  $A$  there exists a set which is the empty set or whose elements are precisely  $r_1, \dots, r_n$ . Thus, in  $A$  there exists a choice set of  $d$ . Hence axiom  $C$  is valid in  $A$ .

On the other hand, from Proposition 3 it follows that in  $A$  there exists no set  $t$  such that  $\emptyset \in t$  and if  $x \in t$  then  $(x \cup \{x\}) \in t$ , where  $\emptyset$  is the zero sequence of type  $\omega$ . Hence, in  $A$  axiom  $I$  is not valid.

Thus, Proposition 4 is proved.

Below, under the assumption of  $GCH$ , we give an example of a canonical model in which, except for the axiom of Powerset, all other axioms of  $ZF$  are valid.

Let us observe that (2) implies  $\aleph_1 = \sum_{\kappa < \omega_1} \aleph_1^\kappa$ . Therefore, from (3) it follows that a canonical model such as described in the following Proposition, exists.

**Proposition 5.** *Every canonical model  $B$  of type  $\omega_1$  whose domain consists of all dyadic sequences of type  $\omega_1$  each having less than  $\aleph_1$  ones, is a model for  $ZF - P$ .*

**Proof.** Clearly, to prove the Proposition, in view of Proposition 1, it is enough to show that axioms  $S$ ,  $C$ ,  $I$  and axiom scheme  $R$  are valid in a canonical model  $B$  described in the Proposition and that axiom  $P$  is not valid in  $B$ .



Let  $h$  be a set in  $B$  such that  $h$  has  $\aleph_0$  ones. By Proposition 3, in view of (2), we see that in  $B$  there exist  $2^{\aleph_0} = \aleph_1$  subsets of  $h$ . However, since every set in  $B$  has less than  $\aleph_1$  ones, the set  $h$  has no powerset in  $B$ . Hence axiom  $P$  is not valid in  $B$ .

Let  $s$  be a set in  $B$ .

Let us recall that the product of two cardinals each less than  $\aleph_1$  is less than  $\aleph_1$ . Thus, by Proposition 3 we see that in  $B$  there exist no or only less than  $\aleph_1$  elements  $e_1, \dots$  of elements of  $s$ . But then, from Proposition 3 it follows that in  $B$  the sumset of  $s$  exists. Hence, axiom  $S$  is valid in  $B$ .

Let  $P(x, y)$  be a set-theoretical binary predicate functional in  $x$  on  $s$  in  $B$ . By Proposition 3 we see that in  $B$  there exist no or only less than  $\aleph_1$  sets  $c_1, \dots$  such that  $P(a_i, c_i)$  is true in  $B$  for some element  $a_i$  of  $s$ . But then, from Proposition 3 it follows that axiom scheme  $R$  is valid in  $B$ .

Let us observe that if  $x$  is a set in  $B$  then in view of Proposition 3 both  $\{x\}$  and  $x \cup \{x\}$  is a set in  $B$ . But then since  $\aleph_0 < \aleph_1$ , from Proposition 3 it follows that in  $B$  there exists a set whose elements are denumerably many sets  $\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}, \dots$ , where  $\emptyset$  is the zero sequence of type  $\omega_1$ . Hence axiom  $I$  is valid in  $B$ .

Let  $d$  be a nonempty disjointed set in  $B$ . By Proposition 3 we see that in  $B$  there exist no or only less than  $\aleph_1$  sets  $r_1, \dots$  which can be unique representatives of elements of  $d$ . But then from Proposition 3 it follows that axiom  $C$  is valid in  $B$ .

Thus, Proposition 5 is proved.

Below, again under the assumption of  $GCH$ , we give an example of a canonical model in which, except for the axiom of Sumset, all other axioms of  $ZF$  are valid.

Let us observe that (2) implies  $\aleph_{\omega+1} = \sum_{\kappa < \omega_\omega} \aleph_{\omega+1}^{\aleph_\kappa}$ . Therefore, from (3) it follows that a canonical model such as described in the following Proposition, exists.

**Proposition 6.** *Every canonical model  $G$  of type  $\omega_{\omega+1}$  whose domain consists of all dyadic sequences of type  $\omega_{\omega+1}$  each having less than  $\aleph_\omega$  ones, is a model for  $ZF-S$ .*

**Proof.** Clearly, to prove the Proposition, in view of Proposition 1, it is enough to show that axioms  $P$ ,  $C$ ,  $I$  and axiom scheme  $R$  are valid in a canonical model  $G$  described in the Proposition and that axiom  $S$  is not valid in  $G$ .

Since  $\aleph_i < \aleph_\omega$  for every  $i < \omega$ , in view of Proposition 3, we see that each of the following denumerably many sets

$$\aleph_0, \aleph_1, \dots, \aleph_i, \dots \text{ with } i < \omega \quad (6)$$

is a set in  $G$ . Also since  $\aleph_0 < \aleph_\omega$ , again by Proposition 3 we see that in  $G$  there exists a set  $g$  whose elements are the sets listed in (6).

However, since  $\aleph_\omega = \bigcup_{i < \omega} \aleph_i$  and since every set in  $G$  has less than  $\aleph_\omega$  ones, the set  $g$  has no subset in  $G$ . Hence axiom  $S$  is not valid in  $G$ .

Let  $s$  be a set in  $G$ .

Let us observe that in view of (2) we have  $2^{\aleph_i} = \aleph_{i+1} < \aleph_\omega$  for every  $i < \omega$ . Thus, in  $G$  there exist only less than  $\aleph_\omega$  subsets  $s_1, \dots$  of  $s$ . But then from Proposition 3 it follows that in  $G$  the powerset of  $s$  exists. Hence axiom  $P$  is valid in  $G$ .

Let  $P(x, y)$  be a set-theoretical binary predicate functional in  $x$  on  $s$  in  $G$ . By Proposition 3 we see that in  $G$  there exist no or only less than  $\aleph_\omega$  sets  $c_1, \dots$  such that  $P(a_i, c_i)$  is true in  $G$  for some element  $a_i$  of  $s$ . But then, from Proposition 3 it follows that axiom scheme  $R$  is valid in  $G$ .

Again, as in the case of the proof of Proposition 5, it can readily be verified that axioms  $I$  and  $C$  are valid in  $G$ .

Thus, Proposition 6 is proved.

Based on the assumption of the existence of a strongly inaccessible cardinal  $\aleph_s$ , we give below an example of a canonical model in which all axioms of  $ZF$  are valid.

Since for a strongly inaccessible cardinal  $\aleph_s$  we have  $\aleph_s = \sum_{i < \aleph_s} \aleph_i^F$ ,

from (3) it follows that a canonical model such as described in the following Proposition, exists.

**Proposition 7.** *Let  $\aleph_s$  be a strongly inaccessible cardinal. Every canonical model  $H$  of type  $\aleph_s$  whose domain consists of all dyadic sequences of type  $\aleph_s$  each having less than  $\aleph_s$  ones, is a model for  $ZF$ .*

**Proof.** Since  $\aleph_s$  is a strongly cardinal,  $2^{\aleph_u} < \aleph_s$  for every  $u < s$ . But then, as in the proof of Proposition 6, we see that axiom  $P$  is valid in  $H$ .

Again, since  $\aleph_s$  is a strongly inaccessible cardinal,  $\bigcup_{i < \aleph_s} \aleph_i < \aleph_s$  for  $v < \aleph_s$  and  $c_i < \aleph_s$  for every  $i < v$ . But then, as in the proof of Proposition 4, or that of Proposition 5, we see that axiom  $S$  is valid in  $H$ .

As in the case of the proof of Proposition 5, it can readily be verified that axioms  $E$ ,  $I$ ,  $C$  and axiom scheme  $R$  are also valid in  $H$ .

Thus, Proposition 7 is proved.

**Remark.** We observe that the independence of each of the axioms  $I$ ,  $P$ ,  $S$  from the remaining axioms of  $ZF$  is easily established by means of the canonical models  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $G$ . Also (under the assumption of the existence of a strongly inaccessible cardinal) the consistency of the axioms of  $ZF$  is readily established by means of the canonical model  $H$ .

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Սահմանվում է կանոնական տիպարի գաղափարը բազմությունների տեսության արտիմատիկ սխեմաների համար: Ապացուցվում է, որ

1) եթե Յերմել-Ֆրենկելի տեսության համապատասխանող ենթատիպաները անհակասելի են, ապա կարելի է հիմնավորել անվերջության արտիմատի անկախությունը, բազմությունների գումարի արտիմատի անկախությունը և ենթաբազմությունների բազմության արտիմատի անկախությունը Յերմել-Ֆրենկելի սխեմայի մնացած առարկաներից կանոնական տիպարների միջոցով:

2) եթե Յերմել-Ֆրենկելի սխեման անհակասելի է ու գոյություն ունի ոչ հասանելի կարգինալ թիվ, ապա գոյություն ունի Յերմել-Ֆրենկելի սխեմայի կանոնական մի տիպար:

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Вводится понятие канонической модели для аксиоматических систем теории множеств. Доказывается, что

(1) если соответствующие подсистемы теории Цермело-Френкеля непротиворечивы, то при помощи канонических моделей можно установить независимость аксиомы бесконечности, независимость аксиомы суммы множеств и независимость аксиомы множества подмножеств от остальных аксиом системы Цермело-Френкеля,

(2) если система Цермело-Френкеля непротиворечива и существует недостижимое кардинальное число, то существует каноническая модель системы Цермело-Френкеля.