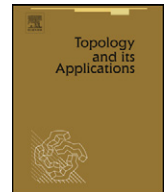




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ABSTRACT

We show the existence of a subalgebra $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ that satisfies the following three conditions:

- \mathcal{A} is Borel (when $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$ is identified with 2^ω).
- \mathcal{A} is arithmetically closed (i.e., \mathcal{A} is closed under the Turing jump, and Turing reducibility).
- The forcing notion (\mathcal{A}, \subseteq) modulo the ideal FIN of finite sets collapses the continuum to \aleph_0 .

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1. Introduction

For a subalgebra $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ let $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ be the partial order obtained by reducing (\mathcal{A}, \subseteq) modulo the ideal FIN of finite sets. Gitman [5] made an advance towards the *Scott set problem* by showing that, assuming the proper forcing axiom (PFA), if \mathcal{A} is arithmetically closed and $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ is a proper notion of forcing, then there is a model of Peano arithmetic whose standard system is \mathcal{A} .¹ Gitman [6] also investigated proper posets of the form $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ and showed that the existence of proper uncountable arithmetically closed algebras $\mathcal{A} \neq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ is consistent with ZFC. These results naturally motivate the question whether there is an arithmetically closed \mathcal{A} for which $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ is not proper. This question was answered in the affirmative by Enayat [3, Theorem D], using a highly nonconstructive reasoning that establishes the existence of an arithmetically closed \mathcal{A} of power \aleph_1 such that $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ collapses \aleph_1 (and is therefore not proper). The nonconstructive feature of the proof prompted

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¹ The Scott set problem [14, Question 1] asks whether every Scott set \mathcal{A} can be realized as the standard system of a model of Peano arithmetic (a subalgebra $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ is a Scott set if \mathcal{A} is closed under Turing reducibility, and every infinite subtree of ${}^{<\omega}2$ that is coded in \mathcal{A} has an infinite branch that is also coded in \mathcal{A}). It is known that the answer to the Scott set problem is positive when $|\mathcal{A}| \leq \aleph_1$, and when $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{P}(\omega)$. On the other hand, a subalgebra $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ is arithmetically closed if \mathcal{A} is closed under (1) Turing jump and (2) Turing reducibility. Note that if \mathcal{A} is arithmetically closed, then \mathcal{A} is a Scott set, but not vice versa.

Question II(b) of [3], which asked whether $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ is a proper poset if \mathcal{A} is both arithmetically closed and Borel (when $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$ is identified with the Cantor set).²

The main result of this paper, Theorem A below, provides a strong negative answer to the above question.

Theorem A. *There is an arithmetically closed Borel subalgebra $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ such that $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ is equivalent to $\text{LEVY}(\aleph_0, 2^{\aleph_0})$.*

Theorem A is established in Section 3 using a rich toolkit from set theory and model theory. For this reason, Section 2 is devoted to the description of the machinery employed in the proof of Theorem A.

Dedication. We are honored to present this paper in a special issue that celebrates Ken Kunen's far reaching achievements.

2. Preliminaries

2.1. Forcing

Given an infinite cardinal κ , $\text{LEVY}(\aleph_0, \kappa)$ is the usual partial order that collapses κ to \aleph_0 , i.e., $\text{LEVY}(\aleph_0, \kappa) = ({}^{<\omega}\kappa, \subseteq)$. The following result provides a structural characterization of $\text{LEVY}(\aleph_0, \kappa)$.³

2.1.1. Theorem (McAloon). ([13, Theorem 14.17]) *The following conditions are equivalent for a partial order \mathbb{P} of infinite cardinality κ .*

- (a) \mathbb{P} is equivalent⁴ to $\text{LEVY}(\aleph_0, \kappa)$.
- (b) \mathbb{P} is (\aleph_0, κ) -nowhere distributive, i.e., there is a family $\{I_n : n \in \omega\}$ of maximal antichains of \mathbb{P} such that for every $p \in \mathbb{P}$, there is some $n < \omega$ such that there are κ elements of I_n that are compatible with p .

2.1.2. Corollary. ([11, Lemma 26.7]) *The following conditions are equivalent for a partial order \mathbb{P} of cardinality $\kappa \geq \aleph_0$.*

- (a) \mathbb{P} is equivalent to $\text{LEVY}(\aleph_0, \kappa)$.
- (b) $\mathbb{V}^{\mathbb{P}} \models$ "there is a surjection $f : \omega \rightarrow \kappa$ ".

The next result shows that one can use standard techniques to build a subalgebra $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ such that $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ is not proper.

2.1.3. Proposition.⁵ *There is a family $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ of cardinality \aleph_1 such that $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ is equivalent to $\text{LEVY}(\aleph_0, \aleph_1)$.*

Proof. By a theorem of Parovičenko [18] (see also [13, Sections 5.28 and 5.29]) every Boolean algebra of cardinality $\leq \aleph_1$ can be embedded into $\mathcal{P}(\omega) \text{ mod FIN}$. On the other hand, $\text{LEVY}(\aleph_0, \aleph_1)$ can be densely embedded into a Boolean algebra of power \aleph_1 since each s in $\text{LEVY}(\aleph_0, \aleph_1)$ determines a basic clopen X_s set in ${}^\omega\omega_1$, and the Boolean algebra \mathbb{B} of clopen sets generated by the family $\{X_s : s \in \text{LEVY}(\aleph_0, \aleph_1)\}$ is of size \aleph_1 . So by Parovičenko's theorem there is an embedding f of \mathbb{B} into $\mathcal{P}(\omega) \text{ mod FIN}$. Let $\mathcal{A} := \{X \subseteq \omega : [X] \text{ is in the range of } f\}$. We may conclude that $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ is equivalent to $\text{LEVY}(\aleph_0, \aleph_1)$ since $\text{LEVY}(\aleph_0, \aleph_1)$ densely embeds into $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$. \square

2.1.4. Remark.⁶ Zapletal [30, Lemma 2.3.1] used Woodin's Σ_1^2 -absoluteness theorem [15, Theorem 3.2.1] to show that in the presence of the continuum hypothesis and large cardinals (more precisely: a measurable Woodin cardinal), a projective partial order \mathbb{P} preserves \aleph_1 iff \mathbb{P} is proper. Note that if \mathcal{A} is Borel, then $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ is projective.

2.2. Infinite combinatorics

2.2.1. Definition. Let $\mathcal{A} \subseteq [\omega]^\omega := \{X \subseteq \omega : X \text{ is infinite}\}$.

- (a) \mathcal{A} is *almost disjoint* (AD) if the intersection of any two distinct members of \mathcal{A} is finite.
- (b) An AD family \mathcal{A} is *maximal almost disjoint* (MAD) if \mathcal{A} has no proper extension to another AD family.

² Many of the other questions posed in [3] have by now been answered by Shelah; see [24] and [25].

³ See [1, Corollary 1.15] for a generalization of Theorem 2.1.1. that characterizes other collapsing algebras.

⁴ For partial orders \mathbb{P}_1 and \mathbb{P}_2 , \mathbb{P}_1 is *equivalent* to \mathbb{P}_2 if they yield the same generic extensions. This can be recast algebraically as the existence of an isomorphism between $B(\overline{\mathbb{P}}_1)$ and $B(\overline{\mathbb{P}}_2)$, where $\overline{\mathbb{P}}$ is the separative quotient of \mathbb{P} , and $B(\overline{\mathbb{P}})$ is the complete Boolean algebra consisting of regular cuts of $\overline{\mathbb{P}}$ [11, Theorem 14.10].

⁵ Thanks to K.P. Hart and Ken Kunen for (independently) drawing our attention to this consequence of Parovičenko's theorem.

⁶ We owe this remark to Paul Larson.

(c) A MAD family \mathcal{A} is *completely separable*⁷ if for every set $B \in [\omega]^\omega$ either there is some $A \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $A \subseteq B$ or B is a subset of the union of a finite subfamily of \mathcal{A} .

Note that if \mathcal{A} is a finite partition of ω , then \mathcal{A} is completely separable. A routine diagonal argument, on the other hand, shows that any *infinite* MAD family $\mathcal{A} \subseteq [\omega]^\omega$ must be uncountable; and indeed it is consistent with ZFC for a MAD family to have cardinality \aleph_1 and 2^{\aleph_0} to be arbitrarily large (e.g., by adding enough Cohen reals to a model of CH). However, if \mathcal{A} is an infinite completely separable MAD family, then the cardinality of \mathcal{A} must be 2^{\aleph_0} . This follows from the well-known fact that if \mathcal{A} is completely separable, and $B \subseteq \omega$ is not a subset of the union of a finite subfamily of \mathcal{A} , then $\{A \in \mathcal{A}: A \subseteq B\}$ has cardinality continuum. In particular, if \mathcal{A} is an infinite completely separable MAD family and $B \subseteq \omega$, then $\{A \in \mathcal{A}: A \cap B \text{ is infinite}\}$ is either finite or has cardinality continuum.

Hechler [9, Theorem 8.2, Lemma 9.2] showed that Martin's axiom (MA) implies the existence of a completely separable family. A similar proof yields the following result.

2.2.2. Theorem. *The following statement (#) is provable within ZFC + MA.*

(#) *For every increasing sequence $\bar{n} = \langle n_i: i < \omega \rangle$ with $\lim_{i \in \omega} (n_{i+1} - n_i) = \infty$ there is a MAD family $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_{\bar{n}}$ that satisfies the following two conditions:*

- (1) $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \{u \subseteq \omega: \forall i \in \omega |u \cap [n_i, n_{i+1}]| = 1\}$, and
- (2) if $B \subseteq \omega$, then $\{A \in \mathcal{A}: A \cap B \text{ is infinite}\}$ is either finite or has cardinality 2^{\aleph_0} .

2.3. Tree indiscernibles

2.3.1. Definition. Suppose \mathcal{M} is a model with signature $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$. An indexed family $\{a_\eta: \eta \in {}^\omega 2\}$ of pairwise distinct elements of \mathcal{M} is said to be a family of *tree indiscernibles* in \mathcal{M} if for every $\varphi(x_0, \dots, x_{m-1}) \in L_{\omega, \omega}(\tau_{\mathcal{M}})$, there is some $n_\varphi < \omega$, such that for all natural numbers $n > n_\varphi$ and all infinite sequences $\eta_0, \dots, \eta_{m-1} \in {}^\omega 2$, $\nu_0, \dots, \nu_{m-1} \in {}^\omega 2$ the following implication is true

$$\left(\bigwedge_{i < m} \eta_i \upharpoonright n = \nu_i \upharpoonright n \right) \wedge \left(\bigwedge_{i < j < m} \eta_i \upharpoonright n \neq \eta_j \upharpoonright n \right) \\ \Rightarrow \mathcal{M} \models \varphi[a_{\eta_0}, \dots, a_{\eta_{m-1}}] \leftrightarrow \varphi[a_{\nu_0}, \dots, a_{\nu_{m-1}}].$$

Tree indiscernibles were invented by Shelah [20,21] to prove certain 2-cardinal theorems, including $(\aleph_\omega, \aleph_0) \rightarrow (2^{\aleph_0}, \aleph_0)$.⁸ More recently, Shelah [23] further developed the machinery of tree indiscernibles in his work on Borel structures. In particular, he isolated a cardinal $\lambda_{\omega_1}(\aleph_0)$ that satisfies the following three properties.

- $\lambda_{\omega_1}(\aleph_0) \leq \beth_{\omega_1}$ [23, Definition 1.1, Conclusion 1.8].
- $\lambda_{\omega_1}(\aleph_0)$ is preserved in c.c.c. extensions [23, Claim 1.10].
- If a sentence $\psi \in L_{\omega_1, \omega}$ has a model \mathcal{M}_0 with $|R^{\mathcal{M}_0}| \geq \lambda_{\omega_1}(\aleph_0)$ (where R is a distinguished unary predicate of \mathcal{M}_0), then ψ has a Skolemized model \mathcal{M} that is generated by a family of tree indiscernibles in $R^{\mathcal{M}}$ (in particular $|R^{\mathcal{M}}| = 2^{\aleph_0}$) [23, Claim 2.1].

The above three facts immediately imply the following result. Note that $L_{\omega_1, \omega}$ might gain new sentences in the passage to a generic extension.

2.3.2. Theorem. *Suppose \mathbf{V} satisfies $\aleph_{\omega_1} = \beth_{\omega_1}$ and \mathbb{P} is a c.c.c. notion of forcing. Then the following statement (\blacktriangle) holds in $\mathbf{V}^{\mathbb{P}}$:*

(\blacktriangle) *If a sentence ψ of $L_{\omega_1, \omega}$ has a model \mathcal{M}_0 with $|R^{\mathcal{M}_0}| \geq \aleph_{\omega_1}$, then there is a countable first order Skolemized theory T such that the signature $\tau(T)$ of T extends the signature $\tau(\psi)$ of ψ , and $T + \psi$ has a model \mathcal{M} that is generated from a family of tree indiscernibles $\{a_\eta: \eta \in {}^\omega 2\} \subseteq R^{\mathcal{M}}$.*

⁷ Completely separable families were first introduced in [9], and are referred to as “saturated families” in [7]. The question of the existence of an infinite completely separable MAD family in ZFC, posed by Erdős and Shelah [4], remains open. Shelah [26] has recently shown that (1) the existence of such families can be established within $ZFC + 2^{\aleph_0} < \aleph_\omega$; and (2) the nonexistence of such families has very high large cardinal strength. See also [10] for further open questions and references.

⁸ Shelah also employed tree indiscernibles in his work on classification theory [22, VII, Section 4] to show that for all $\lambda \geq \max\{|T|, \aleph_1\}$ T has 2^λ nonisomorphic models of cardinality λ for every complete theory T that is not superstable ([19] includes an expository account). Tree indiscernibles were also discovered by Paris and Mills ([17], [14, Theorem 3.5.3]) in the context of nonstandard models of Peano arithmetic to show, e.g., the existence of model \mathcal{M} of PA with a nonstandard integer m in \mathcal{M} such that the set of \mathcal{M} -predecessors of m is externally countable but the set of \mathcal{M} -predecessors of 2^m is of power 2^{\aleph_0} (this result is also an immediate corollary of [20, Theorem 1]).

The next result shows that for a given sentence ψ of $L_{\omega_1, \omega}$ the existence of a model of ψ that is generated by tree indiscernibles is absolute.⁹

2.3.3. Theorem. For any sentence ψ of $L_{\omega_1, \omega}$ in \mathbf{V} the following statement (\spadesuit) is absolute between \mathbf{V} and any generic extension $\mathbf{V}^{\mathbb{P}}$:

(\spadesuit) There is a Skolemized model $\mathcal{M} \models \psi$ with a countable signature $\tau(\mathcal{M}) \supseteq \tau(\psi)$ such that \mathcal{M} is generated from a family of tree indiscernibles $\{a_\eta : \eta \in {}^\omega 2\} \subseteq R^{\mathcal{M}}$.

Proof. It is well known¹⁰ that for any sentence ψ of $L_{\omega_1, \omega}$ with signature $\tau(\psi)$ there is a countable Skolemized first order theory T_ψ in a countable signature $\tau^+ \supseteq \tau(\psi)$ and a countable set Γ_ψ of 1-types of τ^+ such that (1) every model \mathcal{M} of ψ has an expansion to a model \mathcal{M}^+ of T_ψ which omits the types in Γ_ψ , and (2) every model of T_ψ that omits the types in Γ_ψ satisfies ψ . Suppose ψ has a model \mathcal{M} generated from a family $\{a_\eta : \eta \in {}^\omega 2\}$ of tree indiscernibles in $\mathbf{V}^{\mathbb{P}}$. Then in $\mathbf{V}^{\mathbb{P}}$ we can form the multi-sorted structure $(\mathcal{M}^+, \mathcal{N}, f)$, where \mathcal{N} is the standard model for second order number theory $(\omega, \mathcal{P}(\omega))$ (which is itself a two-sorted structure) and $f : \mathcal{P}(\omega) \rightarrow R^{\mathcal{M}}$ by $f(A) = a_{\chi_A}$ (where χ_A is the characteristic function of A). In particular, the signature τ^* appropriate to $(\mathcal{M}^+, \mathcal{N}, f)$ has a sort U_M for the universe of \mathcal{M}^+ , a sort $U_{\mathcal{P}(\omega)}$ for $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$, and a sort U_ω for ω . Let θ be the conjunction of the following sentences $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_4$ of $L_{\omega_1, \omega}(\tau^*)$. Note that θ_4 is the only finitary sentence in the list.

- θ_1 expresses: ψ holds in U_M .
- θ_2 expresses: the axioms of second order arithmetic¹¹ (Z_2) hold in $(U_{\mathcal{P}(\omega)}, U_\omega)$.
- θ_3 expresses: U_ω is an ω -model.
- θ_4 expresses: f is an injection from $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$ into $R^{\mathcal{M}}$.

Consider the subset B of $({}^\omega 2)^2$ that consists of elements of the form (r, s) , where r codes a countable model $(\mathcal{M}_r^+, \mathcal{N}_r, f_r)$ of θ such that \mathcal{M}_r^+ omits the types in Γ_ψ , and s codes a function $g_s : \omega \rightarrow \omega$ that witnesses the fact that the image of f_r forms a family of tree indiscernibles in the sense of \mathcal{N}_r , i.e., g_s has the property that for every formula $\varphi = \varphi(x_0, \dots, x_{m-1}) \in L_{\omega, \omega}(\tau_\psi)$, if $n > g_s(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner)$, then for all $x_0, \dots, x_{m-1} \in U_{\mathcal{P}(\omega)}$, and for all $y_0, \dots, y_{m-1} \in U_{\mathcal{P}(\omega)}$ the following implication is true (in what follows, φ^{U_M} is the relativization of φ to U_M)

$$\left(\bigwedge_{i < m} \chi_{x_i} \upharpoonright n = \chi_{y_i} \upharpoonright n \right) \wedge \left(\bigwedge_{i < j < m} \chi_{x_i} \upharpoonright n \neq \chi_{x_j} \upharpoonright n \right) \\ \rightarrow \varphi^{U_M}[f(x_0), \dots, f(x_{m-1})] \leftrightarrow \varphi^{U_M}[f(y_0), \dots, f(y_{m-1})].$$

It is easy to see that B is a Borel set with a Borel code c in \mathbf{V} . Also, by the downward Löwenheim–Skolem theorem for $L_{\omega_1, \omega}$ sentences,

$\mathbf{V}^{\mathbb{P}} \models$ “the Borel set coded by c is not empty”.

On the other hand, the statement “the Borel set coded by c is empty” is provably equivalent (in $\text{ZF} + \text{DC}$) to a Π_1^1 -statement [11, Lemma 25.45] and therefore by Mostowski’s Π_1^1 -absoluteness theorem [11, Theorem 25.4], the Borel set coded by c is nonempty in the real world \mathbf{V} . This shows that in \mathbf{V} there is a countable model $(\mathcal{M}_0^+, \mathcal{N}_0, f_0)$ of ψ , and a function $g_0 : \omega \rightarrow \omega$ that witnesses the fact that the image of f forms a family of tree indiscernibles in the sense of \mathcal{N}_0 (in particular, \mathcal{N}_0 is an ω -model of second order arithmetic).

The countable model $(\mathcal{M}_0^+, \mathcal{N}_0, f_0)$ and g_0 together provide us with a blueprint Σ for producing a model of ψ of cardinality continuum that is generated by tree indiscernibles. To construct Σ , add new constants $\{c_\eta : \eta \in {}^\omega 2\}$ to the vocabulary τ^+ of \mathcal{M}_0^+ . Then Σ is defined as follows. Given $\varphi(x_0, \dots, x_{m-1}) \in L_{\omega, \omega}(\tau_{\mathcal{M}})$, fix any $n > g_s(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner)$, and find $v_0, \dots, v_{m-1} \in {}^\omega 2$ such that each v_i is coded in \mathcal{N}_0 (i.e., there is some A_i in $U_{\mathcal{P}(\omega)}$ of \mathcal{N}_0 such that $\chi_{A_i} = v_i$) and $\eta_i \upharpoonright n = v_i \upharpoonright n$ for each $i < m$. Then put $\varphi[c_{\eta_0}, \dots, c_{\eta_{m-1}}]$ or its negation in Σ depending on whether \mathcal{M}_0^+ respectively satisfies $\varphi[f_0(A_0), \dots, f_{m-1}(A_{m-1})]$ or its negation. Since \mathcal{M}_0^+ is Skolemized, Σ uniquely determines an elementary extension \mathcal{M}_2^+ of \mathcal{M}_0^+ that is generated by tree indiscernibles. In order to arrange an elementary extension of \mathcal{M}_0^+ that is generated by tree indiscernibles that also satisfies ψ we need to thin \mathcal{M}_2^+ as follows. Since \mathcal{M}_0^+ omits every type in Γ_ψ and g_0 provides a witness to the tree indiscernibility of the range of f_0 , we can easily construct a perfect subtree Δ of ${}^\omega 2$ such that the submodel \mathcal{M}_1^+ of \mathcal{M}_2^+ generated by $\{c_\eta : \eta \in \Delta\}$ omits every type in Γ_ψ . Therefore \mathcal{M}_1^+ is our desired model of ψ that is generated by tree indiscernibles. \square

⁹ This result is stated for generic extensions, but the proof shows that this absoluteness result is true for any two ω -models \mathbf{V} and \mathbf{W} of $\text{ZF} + \text{DC}$ with $\mathcal{P}^{\mathbf{V}}(\omega) \subseteq \mathcal{P}^{\mathbf{W}}(\omega)$.

¹⁰ Cf. [12, Chapter 11, Theorem 14] or [2, Theorem 6.18].

¹¹ We just need a workable theory of finite and infinite sequences, so it is more than sufficient to use RCA_0 or ACA_0 instead of Z_2 here.

2.4. Borel structures

Recall that a model \mathcal{M} is said to be *totally Borel* if the universe of \mathcal{M} is a Borel subset of \mathbb{R} , and every subset of X that is parametrically definable in \mathcal{M} is a Borel set. It is known that every countable theory has an uncountable totally Borel model. This result was established by H. Friedman [28] and also (later, but independently) by Malitz, Mycielski and Reinhardt [16]. The following results are included for those readers favoring a shorter (albeit less self-contained) proof of Theorem A.

2.4.1. Theorem. (Steinhorn [29]) *If \mathcal{M} is a model generated by tree indiscernibles, then \mathcal{M} is isomorphic to a totally Borel model.*

2.4.2. Theorem. (Harrington and Shelah [8]) *No analytic linear order contains an uncountable well-ordered set. In particular, the cofinality of every Borel linear order with no last element is \aleph_0 .*

3. Proof of Theorem A

Before presenting the full technical details of the proof, let us describe a high-level summary of the three stages of the argument.

- **Stage 1 Outline.** Start with the constructible universe \mathbf{L} and a regular cardinal $\kappa > (\aleph_{\omega_1})^{\mathbf{L}} = (\beth_{\omega_1})^{\mathbf{L}}$. Then force $\text{MA} + 2^{\aleph_0} = \kappa$ with the usual c.c.c. partial order \mathbb{Q} of cardinality κ . In $\mathbf{L}^{\mathbb{Q}}$, use Theorem 2.3.2 to get hold of an ω -standard model \mathcal{M}' of $\text{ZFC}^- + \text{MA}$ (where ZFC^- is ZFC without the powerset axiom) that is generated by tree indiscernibles.
- **Stage 2 Outline.** By Theorem 2.4.1 \mathcal{M}' is a totally Borel model in $\mathbf{L}^{\mathbb{Q}}$. Combined with Theorem 2.3.3 this shows that there is also a totally Borel model \mathcal{M} in \mathbf{V} that shares the salient features of \mathcal{M}' . In particular, \mathcal{M} is an ω -standard model of ZFC^- that satisfies MA and is generated by tree indiscernibles. The family \mathcal{A} of Theorem A is the set of reals of \mathcal{M} . This family \mathcal{A} is both Borel and arithmetically closed.
- **Stage 3 Outline.** By Theorem 2.4.2 every definable infinite linear order in \mathcal{M} with no last element has countable cofinality. This fact, when coupled with the veracity of MA in \mathcal{M} , will allow us to verify that $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ is $(\aleph_0, 2^{\aleph_0})$ -nowhere distributive. By Theorem 2.1.1, this completes the proof of Theorem A.

We now proceed to flesh out the above outline.

Stage 1. Let $\mu = (\aleph_{\omega_1})^{\mathbf{L}} = (\beth_{\omega_1})^{\mathbf{L}}$, and fix a regular cardinal $\kappa > \mu$. By GCH in \mathbf{L} , $\kappa = \kappa^{<\kappa}$ holds in \mathbf{L} . Let \mathbb{Q} be the usual c.c.c. notion of forcing $\text{MA} + 2^{\aleph_0} = \kappa$ [11, Theorem 16.13]. Let $\mathcal{H}(\kappa^+)$ be the collection of sets whose transitive closure has cardinality at most κ . In the forcing extension $\mathbf{L}^{\mathbb{Q}}$ let \mathcal{M}_0 be an expansion of the structure $(\mathcal{H}(\kappa^+), \in)$ by Skolem functions, a well-ordering of $\mathcal{H}(\kappa^+)$, and individual constants c_n and c_ω , where $c_n^{\mathcal{M}_0} = n$, and $c_\omega^{\mathcal{M}_0} = \omega$. Let $\tau = \tau_{\mathcal{M}_0}$ be the signature of \mathcal{M}_0 . We may assume that $\tau \in \mathbf{L}$ and τ is countable in \mathbf{L} , but note that $\text{Th}(\mathcal{M}_0)$ need not be in \mathbf{L} . Of course \mathcal{M}_0 is a model of $\text{ZFC}^- + "2^{\aleph_0}$ is the last cardinal" + MA.

Since $\kappa > \mu$ we may invoke Theorem 2.3.2 to obtain a model \mathcal{M}' in $\mathbf{L}^{\mathbb{Q}}$ that satisfies the following five conditions:

- (a') \mathcal{M}' is a model of $\text{Th}(\mathcal{M}_0)$ with signature τ . In particular \mathcal{M}' satisfies $\text{ZFC}^- + "2^{\aleph_0}$ is the last cardinal" + MA.
- (b') \mathcal{M}' is an ω -model, i.e., \mathcal{M}' omits $\{x \in c_\omega\} \cup \{x \neq c_n : n < \omega\}$.
- (c') There is a family $\{a'_\eta : \eta \in {}^\omega 2\}$ of tree indiscernibles in \mathcal{M}' .
- (d') For each $\eta \in {}^\omega 2$, $\mathcal{M}' \models "a'_\eta \subseteq c_\omega"$ (i.e., each a'_η is a real in the sense of \mathcal{M}').
- (e') \mathcal{M}' is the Skolem hull of $\{a'_\eta : \eta \in {}^\omega 2\}$.

Stage 2. Let $T = \{\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_{\omega, \omega}(\tau) : 1 \Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathcal{M}' \models \varphi\}$. Note that since \mathcal{M}' is actually a \mathbb{Q} -name, $T \in \mathbf{L}$. By Theorem 2.3.3 there is a τ -model \mathcal{M} of T in \mathbf{V} and a family of tree indiscernibles $\{a_\eta : \eta \in {}^\omega 2\}$ such that the following five conditions hold.

- (a) \mathcal{M} is a model with signature τ that satisfies $\text{ZFC}^- + "2^{\aleph_0}$ is the last cardinal" + MA.
- (b) \mathcal{M} is an ω -model.
- (c) There is a family $\{a_\eta : \eta \in {}^\omega 2\}$ of tree indiscernibles in \mathcal{M} .
- (d) For each $\eta \in {}^\omega 2$, $\mathcal{M} \models "a_\eta \subseteq c_\omega"$.
- (e) \mathcal{M} is the Skolem hull of $\{a_\eta : \eta \in {}^\omega 2\}$.

We may assume that the model \mathcal{M} is in "reduced form", i.e., the well-founded part of \mathcal{M} is transitive. In particular, $\omega^{\mathcal{M}} = \omega$, and if $\mathcal{M} \models b \subseteq c_\omega$, then $b \in \mathcal{P}(\omega)$. Let $\mathcal{A} = \{b : \mathcal{M} \models b \subseteq c_\omega\}$. Obviously \mathcal{A} is arithmetically closed.¹² By Theorem 2.4.1 \mathcal{A} is also Borel. This fact can also be established directly as follows. For any $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$ -term $\sigma = \sigma(x_0, \dots, x_{m-1})$, $m < \omega$,

¹² Indeed \mathcal{A} is even *hyperarithmetically* closed. This follows from the fact that any ω -model of $\Sigma_1^1\text{-AC}_0$ contains all hyperarithmetical sets [27, Lemma VIII.4.15]; note that since \mathcal{M} satisfies the axiom of choice, the standard model of second order arithmetic in the sense of \mathcal{M} satisfies $\Sigma_1^1\text{-AC}_0$ for all $n < \omega$.

$n^* < \omega$, and pairwise distinct $\nu_0, \dots, \nu_{m-1} \in n^*2$, let $\bar{\nu} = \langle \nu_i : i < m \rangle$, and consider the set $\mathcal{A}_{\sigma, \bar{\nu}}$ defined as follows (in the formula below \triangleleft denotes the end extension relation among sequences):

$$\mathcal{A}_{\sigma, \bar{\nu}} := \left\{ \omega \cap \sigma^{\mathcal{M}}(a_{\eta_0}, \dots, a_{\eta_{m-1}}) : \bigwedge_{i < m} \nu_i \triangleleft \eta_i \in {}^\omega 2 \right\}.$$

It is sufficient to prove that $\mathcal{A}_{\sigma, \bar{\nu}}$ is Borel for any $(\sigma, \bar{\nu})$ since \mathcal{A} is the union of the countable family of sets of the form $\mathcal{A}_{\sigma, \bar{\nu}}$. We can find an increasing $f : \omega \rightarrow \omega \setminus n^*$ and $\langle g_n : n < \omega \rangle$ for which (α) , (β) , and (γ) hold.

(α) g_n is a function from $m({}^{f(n)}2)$ to $\{0, 1\}$.

(β) If $\eta_0, \dots, \eta_{m-1} \in {}^\omega 2$ and $\bigwedge_{i < m} \nu_i \triangleleft \eta_i \in {}^\omega 2$ and $n < \omega$, then (using tree indiscernibility)

$$n \in \sigma^{\mathcal{M}}(a_{\eta_0}, \dots, a_{\eta_{m-1}}) \Leftrightarrow g_n(\eta_0 \upharpoonright f(n), \dots, \eta_{m-1} \upharpoonright f(n)) = 1.$$

(γ) If $A \subseteq \omega$, then by König's lemma, $A \in \mathcal{A}_{\sigma, \bar{\nu}}$ iff for every $n < \omega$ there are $\rho_0, \dots, \rho_{m-1} \in {}^{f(n)}2$ such that

$$k < n \Rightarrow (k \in A \Leftrightarrow g_k(\rho_0 \upharpoonright f(k), \dots, \rho_{m-1} \upharpoonright f(k)) = 1).$$

Note that (γ) shows that each $\mathcal{A}_{\sigma, \bar{\nu}}$ is Borel.

Stage 3. By Theorems 2.4.1 and 2.4.2 every definable linear order $(L, <_L)$ in \mathcal{M} with no last element has countable cofinality. Alternatively, one can argue directly as follows. Suppose to the contrary. Then for some regular uncountable cardinal κ , there is an increasing unbounded subset $\{b_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa\}$ of $(L, <_L)$. Each b_α can be written in \mathcal{M} as

$$b_\alpha = \sigma_\alpha(a_{\eta_0^\alpha}, \dots, a_{\eta_{n_\alpha}^\alpha}),$$

but without loss of generality, we may assume that (1) $\sigma_\alpha = \sigma$, (2) $n_\alpha = n$, (3) $\{\{\eta_0^\alpha, \dots, \eta_{n-1}^\alpha\} : \alpha < \kappa\}$ forms a Δ -system [11, Theorem 9.18], and (4) $\eta_0^\alpha <_{\text{lex}} \eta_1^\alpha <_{\text{lex}} \dots$ (where $<_{\text{lex}}$ denotes the lexicographic relation among binary sequences). In particular, we may assume that for some $m < n$,

$$l < m \Rightarrow \eta_l^\alpha = \eta_l^0;$$

and

$$\eta_{l_1}^{\alpha_1} = \eta_{l_2}^{\alpha_2} \Rightarrow (l_1 = l_2 < m) \vee (\alpha_1, l_1) = (\alpha_2, l_2).$$

We can easily construct a countable $Y \subseteq \kappa$ such that if $\alpha < \kappa$ and $k < \omega$, then for some $\beta \in Y$ we have

$$\bigwedge_{l < n} \eta_l^\alpha \upharpoonright k = \eta_l^\beta \upharpoonright k.$$

The proof would be complete once we verify that $\{b_\beta : \beta \in Y\}$ is cofinal in $(L, <_L)$. Let $\alpha < \kappa$, and note that the concatenation of $\langle \eta_l^\alpha : l < n \rangle$ and $\langle \eta_l^{\alpha+1} : l \in [m, n) \rangle$ has no repetition. Choose $k < \omega$ that satisfies the following condition (∇):

(∇) **If** $\eta_l \in {}^\omega 2$ for $l < n$, $\nu_s \in {}^\omega 2$ for $s \in [m, n)$, and $(\eta_l \upharpoonright k = \eta_l^\alpha \upharpoonright k) \wedge (\nu_s \upharpoonright k = \eta_s^{\alpha+1} \upharpoonright k)$, **then** \mathcal{M} satisfies the following biconditional:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(\dots, a_{\eta_l^\alpha}, \dots) <_L \sigma(\dots, a_{\eta_l^{\alpha+1}}, \dots) \\ \Leftrightarrow \sigma(\dots, a_{\eta_l}, \dots) <_L \sigma(a_{\eta_0}, \dots, a_{\eta_{m-1}}, a_{\nu_m}, \dots, a_{\nu_{n-1}}). \end{aligned}$$

Lastly, choose $\beta \in Y$ such that

$$\bigwedge_{l < n} \eta_l^\beta \upharpoonright k = \eta_l^{\alpha+1} \upharpoonright k.$$

Hence $(b_\alpha <_L b_{\alpha+1}) \Leftrightarrow (b_\alpha <_L b_\beta)$, which shows that $\{b_\beta : \beta \in Y\}$ is cofinal in $(L, <_L)$ and concludes the proof. \square

We now complete the proof of Theorem A by showing that $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ is equivalent to $\text{LEVY}(\aleph_0, 2^{\aleph_0})$. By Theorem 2.1.1, it suffices to establish the following claim.

3.1. Claim. *There is a family $\{I_n : n \in \omega\}$ of maximal antichains in $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ such that for every $p \in \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ there is some $n < \omega$ such that $\{q \in I_n : p \text{ and } q \text{ are compatible}\}$ has cardinality 2^{\aleph_0} .*

Proof. Recall that MA holds in \mathcal{M} (see condition (a) of Stage 2). Hence \mathcal{M} satisfies “there is a 2^{\aleph_0} -scale $\{f_\alpha : \alpha < 2^{\aleph_0}\}$ in $({}^\omega \omega, <_*)$ ” [11, Corollary 16.25]. In other words, \mathcal{M} satisfies

$\forall g : \omega \rightarrow \omega \exists \alpha < 2^{\aleph_0}$ such that $g <_* f_\alpha$ (i.e., $g(n) < f_\alpha(n)$ for sufficiently large n),
and $f_\alpha <_* f_\beta$ whenever $\alpha < \beta < 2^{\aleph_0}$.

Therefore, using Claim 3.1 we may fix a countable family of functions $F = \{f_n : n \in \omega\} \subseteq {}^\omega \omega \cap \mathcal{M}$ such that for every $g \in {}^\omega \omega \cap \mathcal{M}$ there is some $f_n \in F$ such that $g <_* f_n$. Of course we may assume that f_n is an increasing function for each $n \in \omega$. For each $f_n \in F$, let $\bar{f}_n \in \mathcal{M}$ be an auxiliary function defined by $\bar{f}_n(0) = f_n(0)$ and

$$\forall i \in \omega \quad \bar{f}_n(i+1) = i + f_n(\bar{f}_n(i) + 2).$$

Since \mathcal{M} satisfies (#), and $\lim_{n \in \omega} \bar{f}_n(i+1) - \bar{f}_n(i) = \infty$, there is some family $I_n \in \mathcal{M}$ with $I_n \subseteq [\omega]^\omega$ such that for all $A \in I_n$ and for all $i < \omega$

$$|A \cap [\bar{f}_n(i), \bar{f}_n(i+1))| = 1,$$

and for each $B \in \mathcal{P}(\omega) \cap \mathcal{M}$, \mathcal{M} satisfies

$\{A \in \mathcal{A} : A \cap B \text{ is infinite}\}$ is either finite or has cardinality continuum.

We now verify that $\langle I_n : n < \omega \rangle$ exemplifies condition (b) of Theorem 2.1.1. Given a condition $p = [B] \in \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$, we may assume that B is infinite. It is routine to construct a strictly increasing function $g \in {}^\omega \omega \cap \mathcal{M}$ by recursion such that $g(0) = 0$, and

$$\forall k |B \cap [g(k), g(k+1))| \geq g(k). \quad (1)$$

Choose $f_n \in F$ and $i_0 \in \omega$ such that $g(i) < f_n(i)$ for all $i \geq i_0$, and let

$$Y := \{i : \exists k (\bar{f}_n(i) < g(k) < g(k+1) < \bar{f}_n(i+1))\}.$$

We wish to show that $i \in Y$ for all $i \geq i_0$ (the fact that Y is infinite will come handy below). To this end, suppose $i \geq i_0$. Since $\langle g(s) : s < \omega \rangle$ is a strictly increasing sequence, we can find $k < \omega$ such that k is the first s such that $\bar{f}_n(i) < g(s)$. Hence $g(k-1) \leq \bar{f}_n(i)$, which in turn implies that $k-1 \leq \bar{f}_n(i)$ (since g is strictly increasing), and therefore

$$k+1 \leq \bar{f}_n(i) + 2. \quad (2)$$

Using the strictly increasing feature of g one more time, (2) yields

$$g(k+1) \leq g(\bar{f}_n(i) + 2). \quad (3)$$

On the other hand, since $\bar{f}_n(i) + 2 \geq i \geq i_0$, and f_n dominates g for $i \geq i_0$

$$g(\bar{f}_n(i) + 2) < f_n(\bar{f}_n(i) + 2) < i + f_n(\bar{f}_n(i) + 2) = \bar{f}_n(i+1). \quad (4)$$

By putting (3) and (4) together, we obtain $g(k+1) < \bar{f}_n(i+1)$. This shows that Y includes every $i \geq i_0$.

Now let $\mathcal{F}_B := \{A \in I_n : A \cap B \text{ is infinite}\}$, and note that $\mathcal{F}_B \in \mathcal{M}$. Thanks to (#) \mathcal{M} satisfies “ \mathcal{F}_B is finite or has cardinality continuum”. But \mathcal{F}_B cannot be finite, since each $A \in \mathcal{F}_B$ has only one element in each interval $[\bar{f}_n(i), \bar{f}_n(i+1))$, whereas B has more than $\bar{f}_n(i)$ members for infinitely many values of i , thanks to (1) and the fact that Y is infinite. Hence \mathcal{F}_B has cardinality 2^{\aleph_0} in the sense of \mathcal{M} , and therefore in the real world as well, since \mathcal{M} has continuum-many reals. \square

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