

# The emerging zoo of second-order set theories

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## Classes in first-order set theory

A (proper) **class** is a collection of sets that is “too big” to be a set.

Suppose  $\langle V, \in \rangle \models \text{ZFC}$  is a model of set theory.

### Definition:

- A **class** is a **first-order definable** with parameters collection of sets.
- A **proper class** is a class that is not a set.

### Proper classes:

- **ORD** - the collection of all ordinals
- **$L$**  - Gödel's constructible universe
- **HOD** - the hereditarily ordinal definable sets
- An elementary embedding  $j : V \rightarrow M$  (assuming large cardinals)
- The **Easton partial order**  $\mathbb{P}$  - forces GCH to fail at every regular cardinal

### Natural questions:

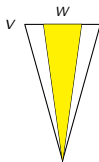
- How to do we talk about **non-definable** collections of sets?
- How do we **quantify** over classes?

## Why classes?

**Inner models:** transitive sub-models of  $ZF(C)$  containing all ordinals

- **Inner model reflection principle** (Barton, Caicedo, Fuchs, Hamkins, Reitz)

Whenever a first-order formula  $\varphi(a)$  holds in  $V$ , then it holds in some inner model  $W \subsetneq V$ .



- **Inner model hypothesis** (Friedman)

Whenever a first-order sentence  $\varphi$  holds in some inner model of a universe  $V^* \supseteq V$ , then it already holds in some inner model of  $V$ .

# Why classes?

## Elementary embeddings

**Reinhardt's Axiom:** There is an elementary embedding  $j : V \rightarrow V$ .

- **Theorem:** (Kunen) If  $V \models \text{ZFC}$ , there is **no** elementary embedding  $j : V \rightarrow V$ . Thus, Reinhardt's Axiom is **inconsistent**.
- If  $V \models \text{ZF}$ , then there is **no definable** elementary embedding  $j : V \rightarrow V$ .
- **Open question:** If  $V \models \text{ZF}$ , can there be an elementary  $j : V \rightarrow V$ ?

## Class partial orders

- Force **global changes** to the **GCH pattern**.
- Force  $V = \text{HOD}$  (code every set into the continuum pattern).
- Force to make the universe **partially unchangeable** by forcing.

**Truth predicates** (Coming up!)

## Second-order set theory

There are two sorts of objects: **sets** and **classes**.

### Syntax: Two-sorted logic

- Separate variables for sets and classes
- Separate quantifiers for sets and classes
- Convention: upper-case letters for classes, lower-case letters for sets
- Notation:
  - ▶  $\Sigma_n^0$  - first-order  $\Sigma_n$ -formula
  - ▶  $\Sigma_n^1$  -  $n$ -alternations of class quantifiers followed by a first-order formula

**Semantics:** A model is a triple  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle$ .

- $V$  consists of the **sets**.
- $\mathcal{C}$  consists of the **classes**.
- Every set is a class:  $V \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ .
- $C \subseteq V$  for every  $C \in \mathcal{C}$ .

Alternatively, we can formalize second-order set theory in **first-order** logic:

- objects are classes,
- define that a set is a class that is an element of some class.

# Gödel-Bernays set theory GBC

## Axioms

- **Sets:** ZFC
- **Classes:**
  - ▶ Extensionality
  - ▶ **Replacement:** If  $F$  is a function and  $a$  is a set, then  $F \upharpoonright a$  is a set.
  - ▶ **Global well-order:** There is a class well-order of sets.
  - ▶ **Comprehension scheme for first-order formulas:**  
If  $\varphi(x, A)$  is a first-order formula, then  $\{x \mid \varphi(x, A)\}$  is a class.

## Models

- Gödel's constructible universe  $L$  together with its definable classes is a model of GBC.
- Suppose  $\langle V, \in \rangle \models \text{ZFC}$  and  $V$  has a definable global well-order. Then  $V$  together with its definable classes is a model of GBC.
- **Theorem:** (Solovay) Every countable model of ZFC can be extended to a model of GBC with the same sets. (Force to add a global well-order class.)

## Strength

- GBC is equiconsistent with ZFC.
- GBC has the same first-order consequences as ZFC.

## Truth Predicates

Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models \text{GBC}$ .

**Definition:** A class  $T \in \mathcal{C}$  is a **truth predicate** for  $\langle V, \in \rangle$  if it satisfies **Tarski's truth conditions**: For every  $\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner \in V$  ( $\varphi$  possibly nonstandard),

- if  $\varphi$  is atomic,  $V \models \varphi(\bar{a})$  iff  $\ulcorner \varphi(\bar{a}) \urcorner \in T$ ,
- $\ulcorner \neg \varphi(\bar{a}) \urcorner \in T$  iff  $\ulcorner \varphi(\bar{a}) \urcorner \notin T$ ,
- $\ulcorner \varphi(\bar{a}) \wedge \psi(\bar{a}) \urcorner \in T$  iff  $\ulcorner \varphi(\bar{a}) \urcorner \in T$  and  $\ulcorner \psi(\bar{a}) \urcorner \in T$ ,
- $\ulcorner \exists x \varphi(x, \bar{a}) \urcorner \in T$  iff  $\exists b \ulcorner \varphi(b, \bar{a}) \urcorner \in T$ .

**Observation:** If  $T$  is a truth predicate, then  $V \models \varphi(\bar{a})$  iff  $\ulcorner \varphi(\bar{a}) \urcorner \in T$ .

**Theorem:** (Tarski) A truth predicate is **never definable** over  $V$ .

**Corollary:** GBC **cannot prove** that there is a truth predicate.

**Observation:** If  $T$  is a truth predicate and  $\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner \in \text{ZFC}^V$  ( $\varphi$  possibly nonstandard), then  $\varphi \in T$ .

**Theorem:** If there is a truth predicate  $T \in \mathcal{C}$ , then  $V$  is the union of an elementary chain of its rank initial segments  $V_\alpha$ :

$$V_{\alpha_0} \prec V_{\alpha_1} \prec \cdots \prec V_{\alpha_\xi} \prec \cdots \prec V,$$

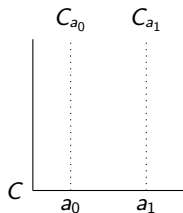
such that  $V$  thinks that each  $V_{\alpha_\xi} \models \text{ZFC}$ .

Let  $\langle V_\alpha, \in, T \cap V_\alpha \rangle \prec_{\Sigma_2} \langle V, \in, T \rangle$ .

## Iterated truth predicates

Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models \text{GBC}$ .

**Definition:** Suppose  $A \in \mathcal{C}$  is a class. A **sequence of classes**  $\langle C_a \mid a \in A \rangle$  is a single class  $C$  such that  $C_a = \{x \mid \langle a, x \rangle \in C\}$ .



**Definition:** A sequence of classes  $\vec{T} = \langle T_\beta \mid \beta < \alpha \rangle$  is an **iterated truth predicate of length  $\alpha$**  if for every  $\beta < \alpha$ ,  $T_\beta$  is a truth predicate for  $\langle V, \in, \vec{T} \upharpoonright \beta \rangle$ .

Given a **class well-order**  $\Gamma$ , similarly define the **iterated truth predicate of length  $\Gamma$** .

- $\Gamma = \text{ORD}$
- $\Gamma = \text{ORD} + \text{ORD}$
- $\Gamma = \text{ORD} \cdot \omega$



# GBC + $\Sigma_1^1$ -Comprehension

## Axioms

- GBC
- **Comprehension for  $\Sigma_1^1$ -formulas:**  
If  $\varphi(x, A) := \exists X \psi(x, X, A)$  with  $\psi$  first-order, then  $\{x \mid \varphi(x, A)\}$  is a class.

**Note:**  $\Sigma_1^1$ -Comprehension is **equivalent** to  $\Pi_1^1$ -Comprehension.

## Strength

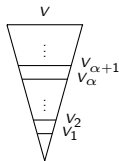
- **Theorem:** **GBC +  $\Sigma_1^1$ -Comprehension** proves that there is a **truth predicate**.
  - ▶ Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, C \rangle \models \text{GBC} + \Sigma_1^1\text{-Comprehension}$ .
  - ▶  $\mathcal{V}$  satisfies the **second-order assertion**:  $\exists \Sigma_0^0$ -truth predicate and  $\forall n \in \omega (\exists \Sigma_n^0\text{-truth predicate} \rightarrow \exists \Sigma_{n+1}^0\text{-truth predicate})$ .
  - ▶ (induction)  $\mathcal{V}$  satisfies:  $\forall n \in \omega \exists \Sigma_n^0\text{-truth predicate}$ .
  - ▶ (comprehension)  $\mathcal{V}$  satisfies: There is a sequence of classes  $\langle T_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$  such that for all  $n < \omega$ ,  $T_n$  is a  $\Sigma_n^0$ -truth predicate.
- **GBC +  $\Sigma_1^1$ -Comprehension** proves **Con(ZFC)**, **Con(Con(ZFC))**, etc.
- **GBC +  $\Sigma_1^1$ -Comprehension** proves that for every class well-order  $\Gamma$ , there is an iterated truth predicate of length  $\Gamma$ .

## The constructible universe

**Theorem:** (**Definition by transfinite recursion.**) Every recursive definition has a solution. Given a definable recursion rule  $G : V \rightarrow V$ , there is a definable solution  $F : \text{ORD} \rightarrow V$  such that  $F(\alpha) = G(F \upharpoonright \alpha)$ .

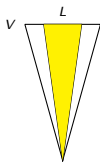
**Definition:** The **von Neumann hierarchy**.

- $V_0 = \emptyset$
- $V_{\alpha+1}$  consists of all subsets of  $V_\alpha$ .
- $V_\lambda = \bigcup_{\alpha < \beta} V_\alpha$  for a limit  $\lambda$ .
- $V = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \text{ORD}} V_\alpha$ .



**Definition:** (Gödel) The **constructible universe L**.

- $L_0 = \emptyset$
- $L_{\alpha+1}$  consists of all definable subsets of  $L_\alpha$ .
- $L_\lambda = \bigcup_{\alpha < \lambda} L_\alpha$  for a limit  $\lambda$ .
- $L = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \text{ORD}} L_\alpha$ .



**Theorem:** (Gödel) If  $V \models \text{ZF}$ , then  $L \models \text{ZFC}$ .

## The second-order constructible universe

Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models \text{GBC} + \Sigma_1^1\text{-Comprehension}$ .

**Definition:** A **meta-ordinal** is a well-order  $\Gamma \in \mathcal{C}$ .

- $\text{ORD} + \text{ORD}$ ,  $\text{ORD} \cdot \omega$ .

**Theorem:**  $\text{GBC} + \Sigma_1^1\text{-Comprehension}$  proves that any two meta-ordinals are comparable.

**Problem:** Meta-ordinals don't need to have **unique representations!** Unless...

Given a **meta-ordinal**  $\Gamma$ , we can build the **meta-constructible universe**  $L_\Gamma$  up to  $\Gamma$ .

**Definition:** A meta-ordinal  $\Gamma$  is **constructible** if there is another meta-ordinal  $\Delta$  such that  $L_\Delta$  has a well-order of  $\text{ORD}$  isomorphic to  $\Gamma$ . (" $\Gamma \in L_{\text{ORD}^+}$ ")

**Theorem:** (Tharp) **Constructible meta-ordinals** have **unique representations**.

**Definition:**

- A class  $A \in \mathcal{C}$  is **constructible** if there is a constructible meta-ordinal  $\Gamma$  such that  $A \in L_\Gamma$ .
- The **second-order constructible universe** is  $\mathcal{L} = \langle L, \in, \mathcal{L} \rangle$ , where  $\mathcal{L}$  consists of the **constructible classes**.

**Theorem:**  $\mathcal{L} \models \text{GBC} + \Sigma_1^1\text{-Comprehension}$ . It also satisfies a **version of the Axiom of Choice for classes**. (Coming up!)

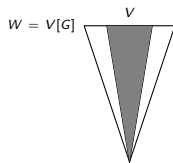
## The Forcing Theorem

Suppose  $\langle V, \in \rangle \models \text{ZFC}$  and  $\mathbb{P} \in V$  is a partial order.

**The forcing construction:** (Cohen) Build a model  $W \models \text{ZFC}$  extending  $V$ .

- Define a collection  $V^{\mathbb{P}}$  of **names** for elements of  $W$ .
  - ▶ Each element of  $W$  has a name  $\tau \in V^{\mathbb{P}}$ .
  - ▶ An element of  $W$  can have more than one name.
- $G \not\subseteq V$  is a **generic filter** on  $\mathbb{P}$ :  $G$  meets every **dense set**  $D \in V$  of  $\mathbb{P}$ .
- The **forcing extension** is  $W = V[G] = \{\tau_G \mid \tau \in V^{\mathbb{P}}\}$ .

- ▶  $V[G] \models \text{ZFC}$
- ▶  $\text{ORD}^V = \text{ORD}^{V[G]}$



**The forcing relation**  $p \Vdash \varphi(\tau)$

- $p \in \mathbb{P}$ ,  $\tau \in V^{\mathbb{P}}$
- $\varphi$  is a first-order formula

Whenever  $G$  is a generic filter and  $p \in G$ , then  $V[G] \models \varphi(\tau_G)$ .

**The Forcing Theorem:** (Cohen) For every first-order formula  $\varphi(x)$ , the relation  $p \Vdash \varphi(\tau)$  is definable.

The definition of the forcing relation is given by a transfinite recursion.

## The Class Forcing Theorem

Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models \text{GBC}$  and  $\mathbb{P} \in \mathcal{C}$  is a class partial order.

**The forcing construction:** Build a model  $\mathcal{W} = \langle W, \in, \mathcal{C}^* \rangle$  extending  $\mathcal{V}$ .

- Define a collection  $V^{\mathbb{P}}$  of **names** for elements of  $W$ .
- Define a collection  $\mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{P}}$  of **names** for elements of  $\mathcal{C}^*$ .
- $G \notin \mathcal{C}$  is a **generic filter** on  $\mathbb{P}$ :  $G$  meets every **dense class**  $D \in \mathcal{C}$  of  $\mathbb{P}$ .
- The **forcing extension** is  $\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{V}[G] = \langle V[G], \in, \mathcal{C}[G] \rangle$ :
  - ▶  $V[G] = \{ \tau_G \mid \tau \in V^{\mathbb{P}} \}$
  - ▶  $\mathcal{C}[G] = \{ \Gamma_G \mid \Gamma \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{P}} \}$

**Note:**  $\mathcal{V}[G]$  may **not satisfy GBC**.

**The forcing relation**  $p \Vdash \varphi(\tau, \Gamma)$

Whenever  $G$  is a generic filter and  $p \in G$ , then  $\mathcal{V}[G] \models \varphi(\tau_G, \Gamma_G)$ .

**Class Forcing Theorem:** For every first-order formula  $\varphi(x, X)$  and a name  $\Gamma \in \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{P}}$ , the relation  $p \Vdash \varphi(\tau, \Gamma)$  is a class in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

**Theorem:** (Krapf, Njegomir, Holy, Lüke, Schlicht) The **Class Forcing Theorem** can fail in a model of GBC.

There is a class partial order such that the **truth predicate** is **definable** from its **forcing relation** for  $\varphi(x, y) := "x = y"$ .

**Theorem:**  $\text{GBC} + \Sigma_1^1\text{-Comprehension}$  proves the **class forcing theorem**.

## Games and determinacy

Let  $\omega^\omega$  be the topological space of  $\omega$ -length sequences of natural numbers with the **product topology** ( $\omega$  is given the discrete topology).

Fix  $A \subseteq \omega^\omega$ .

### The Game $\mathcal{G}_A$

- **Player I (Alice)** and **Player II (Bob)** alternately play **numbers** for  $\omega$ -many steps.

I	$a_0$	$a_1$	$a_2$	$\dots$	$a_n$
II	$b_0$	$b_1$	$b_2$	$\dots$	$b_n$

- Alice wins if  $\vec{a} = \langle a_0, b_0, a_1, b_1, \dots, a_n, b_n, \dots \rangle \in A$ . Otherwise, Bob wins.
- The game is **determined** if one of the players has a **winning strategy**.

**Theorem:** (Gale, Stewart) If  $A$  is **open**, then the game  $\mathcal{G}_A$  is **determined**.

- Suppose Alice **does not** have a **winning strategy**. There is **no move**  $a_0$  that guarantees a **win** for Alice.
- There is a **move**  $b_0$  for Bob such that **Alice doesn't have a winning strategy** in the game starting with  $\langle a_0, b_0 \rangle$ .
- There is **no move**  $a_1$  that guarantees a **win** for Alice in the game starting with  $\langle a_0, b_0 \rangle$ .
- There is a **move**  $b_1$  for Bob such that **Alice doesn't have a winning strategy** in the game starting with  $\langle a_0, b_0, a_1, b_1 \rangle$ .
- **Bob wins** because  $A$  open and **Alice didn't win at any finite stage** of the game.

**Note:** Everything here **generalizes to spaces**  $X^\omega$ , where  $X$  is a set with the **discrete topology**.

## Class games and determinacy

Let  $\text{ORD}^\omega$  be the topological space of  $\omega$ -length sequences of ordinals.

Fix a class  $A \subseteq \text{ORD}^\omega$ .

### The Game $\mathcal{G}_A$

- Player I (Alice) and Player II (Bob) alternately play ordinals for  $\omega$ -many steps.

I	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$	$\dots$	$\alpha_n$
II	$\beta_0$	$\beta_1$	$\beta_2$	$\dots$	$\beta_n$

- Alice wins if  $\vec{\alpha} = \langle \alpha_0, \beta_0, \alpha_1, \beta_1, \dots, \alpha_n, \beta_n, \dots \rangle \in A$ . Otherwise, Bob wins.
- The game is **determined** if one of the players has a winning strategy.

**Note:** A strategy for a player in the game  $\mathcal{G}_A$  is a class.

**Open Class Determinacy:**  $\mathcal{G}_A$  is determined for every open  $A \subseteq \text{ORD}^\omega$ .

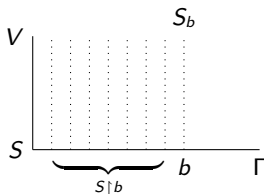
**Clopen Class Determinacy:**  $\mathcal{G}_A$  is determined for every clopen  $A \subseteq \text{ORD}^\omega$ .

**Theorem:** (G., Hamkins)  $\text{GBC} + \Sigma_1^1\text{-Comprehension}$  implies Open Class Determinacy.

## Elementary Transfinite Recursion ETR

Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models \text{GBC}$ .

**Definition:** Suppose  $\Gamma \in \mathcal{C}$  is a meta-ordinal. A solution along  $\Gamma$  to a first-order recursion rule  $\varphi(x, b, F)$  is a sequence of classes  $S$  such that for every  $b \in \Gamma$ ,  $S_b = \varphi(x, b, S \upharpoonright b)$ .



**Elementary Transfinite Recursion ETR:** For every meta-ordinal  $\Gamma$ , every first-order recursion rule  $\varphi(x, b, S)$  has a solution along  $\Gamma$ .

**ETR $_{\Gamma}$ :** Elementary transfinite recursion for a fixed  $\Gamma$ .

- ETR<sub>ORD $\cdot\omega$</sub> , ETR<sub>ORD</sub>, ETR $_{\omega}$

**Theorem:** (Williams) If  $\Gamma \geq \omega^{\omega}$  is a (meta)-ordinal, then  $\text{GBC} + \text{ETR}_{\Gamma \cdot \omega}$  implies  $\text{Con}(\text{GBC} + \text{ETR}_{\Gamma})$ .

**Theorem:**  $\text{GBC} + \Sigma_1^1\text{-Comprehension}$  implies ETR.



## Consequences of ETR

**Theorem:**  $\text{GBC} + \text{ETR}_\omega$  proves that there exists a **truth predicate**.

Use **Tarskian truth recursion** on complexity of formulas.

**Theorem:**  $\text{GBC} + \text{ETR}$  proves that for every meta-ordinal  $\Gamma$ , there is a **constructible meta-universe**  $L_\Gamma$ .

**Theorem:** (Fujimoto)

- Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models \text{GBC}$  and  $\Gamma \geq \omega^\omega$  is a meta-ordinal.  $\text{ETR}_\Gamma$  is **equivalent** to the existence of an **iterated truth predicate of length  $\Gamma$** .
- Over  $\text{GBC}$ ,  $\text{ETR}$  is equivalent to the existence of an **iterated truth predicate of length  $\Gamma$**  for every meta-ordinal  $\Gamma$ .

**Note:** A **single recursion**, the **iterated truth recursion**, suffices to give **all** other recursions.

**Theorem:** (G., Hamkins, Holy, Schlicht, Williams) Over  $\text{GBC}$ ,  $\text{ETR}_{\text{ORD}}$  is equivalent to the **Class Forcing Theorem**.

**Theorem:** (G., Hamkins) Over  $\text{GBC}$ ,  $\text{ETR}$  is **equivalent** to **Clopen Class Determinacy**.

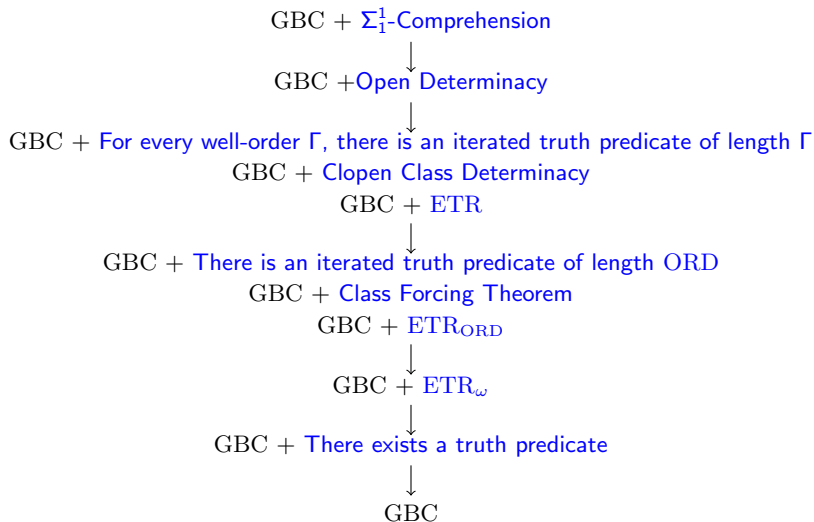
## Beyond ETR

**Theorem:** (Sato) Over GBC, **Open Class Determinacy** is stronger than **ETR**.

**Question:** Can forcing **add meta-ordinals**?

**Theorem:** (Hamkins, Woodin) Over GBC, **Open Class Determinacy** implies that forcing **does not add meta-ordinals**.

# The petting zoo of second-order set theory



# Kelley-Morse set theory KM

## Axioms

- GBC
- **Full comprehension:**  
If  $\varphi(x, A)$  is a **second-order** formula, then  $\{x \mid \varphi(x, A)\}$  is a **class**.

## Models

Suppose  $\langle V, \in \rangle \models \text{ZFC}$  and  $\kappa \in V$  is an **inaccessible** cardinal.  
 $\langle V_\kappa, \in, V_{\kappa+1} \rangle \models \text{KM}$ .

**Theorem:** Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models \text{KM}$ . Then its constructible universe  $\mathcal{L} = \langle L, \in, \mathcal{L} \rangle \models \text{KM}$ . It also satisfies a version of the Axiom of Choice for classes.  
(Coming up!)

## The Łoś Theorem for ultrapowers

Suppose  $\langle V, \in \rangle \models \text{ZFC}$ .

- Suppose  $U$  is an **ultrafilter** on a **cardinal**  $\kappa$ .
- Define that functions  $f : \kappa \rightarrow V$  and  $g : \kappa \rightarrow V$  are **equivalent** when

$$\{\xi < \kappa \mid f(\xi) = g(\xi)\} \in U.$$

- Let  $M$  be the **collection** of the **equivalence classes**  $[f]_U$ .
- Define that  $[f]_U \mathbf{E} [g]_U$  when  $\{\xi < \kappa \mid f(\xi) \in g(\xi)\} \in U$ .
- $\langle M, \mathbf{E} \rangle$  is the **ultrapower** of  $\langle V, \in \rangle$  by  $U$ .
- Define  $j : V \rightarrow M$  by  $j(a) = [c_a]_U$  ( $c_a(\xi) = a$  for all  $\xi < \kappa$ ).

### Łoś Theorem:

- $\langle M, \mathbf{E} \rangle \models \varphi([f]_U)$  if and only if  $\{\xi < \kappa \mid \varphi(f(\xi))\} \in U$ .
- The map  $j$  is an **elementary embedding** from  $\langle V, \in \rangle$  to  $\langle M, \mathbf{E} \rangle$ .
- True for **atomic formulas** by definition.
- True for **Boolean combinations** by properties of **ultrafilter**.
- Suppose true for  $\varphi(x, y)$ .
- Suppose  $\{\xi < \kappa \mid \exists x \varphi(x, f(\xi))\} \in U$ .
- Choose a witness  $x_\xi$  for  $f(\xi)$  and define  $g(\xi) = x_\xi$  (uses Axiom of Choice)).

## The Łoś Theorem for second-order ultrapowers

Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models \text{KM}$ .

- Suppose  $U$  is an **ultrafilter** on a **cardinal**  $\kappa$ .
- Define that functions  $f : \kappa \rightarrow V$  and  $g : \kappa \rightarrow V$  are **equivalent** when  $\{\xi < \kappa \mid f(\xi) = g(\xi)\} \in U$ .
- Let  $M$  be the **collection** of the **equivalence classes**  $[f]_U$ .
- Define that  $[f]_U \mathbf{E} [g]_U$  when  $\{\xi < \kappa \mid f(\xi) \in g(\xi)\} \in U$ .
- Define that **class sequences**  $F$  and  $G$  are **equivalent** when  $\{\xi < \kappa \mid F_\xi = G_\xi\} \in U$ .
- Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be the **collection** of the **equivalence classes**  $[F]_U$ .
- $[f]_U \mathbf{E} [F]_U$  when  $\{\xi < \kappa \mid f(\xi) \in F(\xi)\} \in U$ .
- $\langle M, \mathbf{E}, \mathcal{M} \rangle$  is the **ultrapower** of  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle$  by  $U$ .
- Define  $j : \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \rightarrow \langle M, \mathbf{E}, \mathcal{M} \rangle$  by  $j(a) = [c_a]_U$  and  $j(A) = [C_A]_U$ .

### The Łoś Theorem

**Problem:** For the class existential quantifier, we need

$$\mathcal{V} \models \forall \xi < \kappa \exists X \varphi(X, f(\xi)) \rightarrow \exists Y \forall \xi < \kappa \varphi(Y_\xi, f(\xi)).$$

## Choice Scheme

The **Choice Scheme** is a version of the **Axiom of Choice for classes**.

**Choice Scheme:** Given a **second-order** formula  $\varphi(x, X, A)$ , if for every set  $x$ , there is a class  $X$  witnessing  $\varphi(x, X, A)$ , then there is a **single class**  $Y$ , collecting witnesses for every  $x$ :

$$\forall x \exists X \varphi(x, X, A) \rightarrow \exists Y \forall x \varphi(x, Y_x, A).$$

**Choice Scheme over sets:** Given a **second-order** formula  $\varphi(x, X, A)$  and a set  $a$ :

$$\forall x \in a \exists X \varphi(x, X, A) \rightarrow \exists Y \forall x \in a \varphi(x, Y_x, A).$$

**Theorem:** (G., Johnstone, Hamkins) There is a model of **KM** in which the **Choice Scheme fails** for  $\omega$ -many choices for a **first-order** formula.

**Theorem:** (G., Johnstone, Hamkins) Over **KM**, the **Łoś Theorem** for second-order ultrapowers is **equivalent** to the **Choice Scheme over sets**.

## The theory KM + AC

**KM + AC:** KM together with the Choice Scheme.

### Models

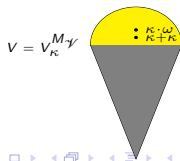
- Suppose  $\langle V, \in \rangle \models \text{ZFC}$  and  $\kappa \in V$  is an inaccessible cardinal.  
 $\langle V_\kappa, \in, V_{\kappa+1} \rangle \models \text{KM} + \text{AC}$ .
- Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models \text{KM}$ . Then  $\mathcal{L} = \langle L, \in, \mathcal{L} \rangle \models \text{KM} + \text{AC}$ .

**Theorem:** The theories KM and KM + AC are equiconsistent.

### Moving back to first-order

Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models \text{KM} + \text{AC}$ .

- View each extensional well-founded class relation  $R \in \mathcal{C}$  as coding a transitive set.
- Define a membership relation  $E$  on the collection of all such relations  $R$  (modulo isomorphism).
  - ▶  $\text{ORD} + \text{ORD}, \text{ORD} \cdot \omega$ .
  - ▶  $V \cup \{V\}$ .
- Let  $\langle M_{\mathcal{V}}, E \rangle$ , the companion model of  $\mathcal{V}$ , be the resulting first-order structure.
  - ▶  $M_{\mathcal{V}}$  has the largest cardinal  $\kappa \cong \text{ORD}^{\mathcal{V}}$ .
  - ▶  $V_\kappa^{M_{\mathcal{V}}} \cong V$ .
  - ▶  $\mathcal{P}(V_\kappa)^{M_{\mathcal{V}}} \cong \mathcal{C}$ .
  - ▶  $\langle M_{\mathcal{V}}, E \rangle \models \text{ZFC}_1^-$ . (Next slide!)





# The theory $ZFC_{\aleph_1}^-$

## Axioms

- ZFC without powerset (Collection scheme instead of Replacement scheme).
- There is the largest cardinal  $\kappa$ .
- $\kappa$  is inaccessible.
  - ▶  $\kappa$  is regular
  - ▶ for all  $\alpha < \kappa$ ,  $2^\alpha$  exists and  $2^\alpha < \kappa$ .

## Models

Suppose  $\langle V, \in \rangle \models ZFC$  and a cardinal  $\kappa \in V$  is inaccessible.

Let  $H_{\kappa^+}$  be the collection of all sets of hereditary size at most  $\kappa$ .

$H_{\kappa^+} \models ZFC_{\aleph_1}^-$ .

## Moving to second-order

Suppose  $M \models ZFC_{\aleph_1}^-$  with the largest cardinal  $\kappa$ .

- $V = V_\kappa^M$
- $\mathcal{C} = \{X \in M \mid X \subseteq V_\kappa^M\}$
- $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models KM + AC$
- $M_{\mathcal{V}} \cong M$  is the companion model of  $\mathcal{V}$

**Theorem:** (Mostowski) The theory  $KM + AC$  is bi-interpretable with the theory  $ZFC_{\aleph_1}^-$ .

## Reflection principles

**Reflection Principle:** Every formula is **reflected** by a **transitive set**:

For every **first-order** formula  $\varphi(x)$ , there is a **transitive set**  $M$  such that for all  $a \in M$ ,  $\varphi(a)$  holds if and only if  $M \models \varphi(a)$ .

**Theorem:** (Lévy) ZFC proves the **reflection principle**.

Every first-order formula is **reflected** by some  $V_\alpha$ .

**Class Reflection Principle:** Every formula is **reflected** by a **sequence of classes**:

For every **second-order** formula  $\varphi(X)$ , there is a **sequence of classes**  $S = \langle S_\xi \mid \xi \in \text{ORD} \rangle$  such that for all  $\xi \in \text{ORD}$ ,  $\varphi(S_\xi)$  if and only if  $\langle V, \in, S \rangle \models \varphi(S_\xi)$ .

**Theorem:** Suppose  $\mathcal{V} \models \text{KM} + \text{AC}$  and  $M_{\mathcal{V}} \models \text{ZFC}_I^-$  is its companion model.

Then  $\mathcal{V}$  satisfies the **Class Reflection Principle** if and only if  $M_{\mathcal{V}}$  satisfies the **Reflection Principle**.

## Dependent Choice Scheme

The **Dependent Choice Scheme** is a version of the **Axiom of Dependent Choice** for classes.

**Dependent Choice Scheme:** Given a **second-order formula**  $\varphi(X, Y, A)$ , if for every class  $X$ , there is another class  $Y$  such that  $\varphi(X, Y, A)$  holds, then we can make  $\omega$ -many dependent choices according to  $\varphi$ :

$$\forall X \exists Y \varphi(X, Y, A) \rightarrow \exists Y \forall n \varphi(Y_n, Y_{n+1}, A).$$

**Theorem:** Over **KM + AC**, the **Dependent Choice Scheme** is **equivalent** to the **Class Reflection Principle**.

**Open question:** Does **KM + AC** prove the **Dependent Choice Scheme**?

**Conjecture:** (Friedman, G.) **KM + AC** **does not** prove the **Dependent Choice Scheme**.

# The theory $KM + AC + DC$

$KM + AC + DC$ :  $KM + AC$  together with the **Dependent Choice Scheme**.

## Models

- Suppose  $\langle V, \in \rangle \models ZFC$  and  $\kappa \in V$  is an **inaccessible cardinal**.  
 $\langle V_\kappa, \in, V_{\kappa+1} \rangle \models KM + AC + DC$ .
- Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models KM$ . Then  $\mathcal{L} = \langle L, \in, \mathcal{L} \rangle \models KM + AC + DC$ .

**Theorem:** The theories  $KM$  and  $KM + AC + DC$  are **equiconsistent**.

## Naturalist approach to forcing

**Question:** How do we make sense of the generic filter  $G$  being outside  $V$ ?

**Theorem:** Every partial order  $\mathbb{P}$  densely embeds into a complete Boolean algebra  $\mathbb{B}$ .

Elements of  $\mathbb{B}$  are the regular cuts of  $\mathbb{P}$ .

**Theorem:** Densely embeddable partial orders produce the same forcing extensions.

Suppose a partial order  $\mathbb{P}$  densely embeds into another partial order  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

- If  $G^*$  is a generic filter for  $\mathbb{Q}$ , then in a forcing extension  $V[G^*]$ , we can define a generic filter  $G$  for  $\mathbb{P}$  such that  $V[G^*] = V[G]$ .
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Suppose  $\mathbb{B}$  is a complete Boolean algebra and  $U$  is an ultrafilter on  $\mathbb{B}$ .

- Build the definable Boolean valued model  $V^{\mathbb{B}}$ .
- Use  $U$  to turn  $V^{\mathbb{B}}$  into a definable model  $(W, E) \models \text{ZFC}$ .
- $W = \bar{V}[G]$  is a forcing extension of a submodel  $\bar{V}$  by a complete Boolean algebra  $\bar{\mathbb{B}}$ .
- There is an elementary embedding  $j : V \rightarrow \bar{V}$  such that  $j(\mathbb{B}) = \bar{\mathbb{B}}$ .

Given a complete Boolean algebra  $\mathbb{B}$ , we can build inside  $V$  a definable model  $(\bar{V}, E)$ :

- There is an elementary embedding  $j : V \rightarrow \bar{V}$ .
- $V$  has a generic filter  $G$  for  $j(\mathbb{B}) = \bar{\mathbb{B}}$ .
- $V$  can build the model  $\bar{V}[G]$ .

## Naturalist approach to class forcing

Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models \text{GBC}$ .

**Definition:** A class Boolean algebra  $\mathbb{B}$  is **class complete** if every class antichain of  $\mathbb{B}$  has a **supremum**.

**Theorem:** (Krapf, Njegomir, Holy, Lüke, Schlicht) A class Boolean algebra  $\mathbb{B}$  with proper class antichains cannot be class complete.

**Definition:** A **hyperclass** is a (second-order) definable collection of classes.

**Theorem:** Every class partial order  $\mathbb{P}$  can be embedded into a hyperclass class complete Boolean algebra  $\mathbb{B}$ .

**Problem:** How do we do the Boolean valued model construction with a hyperclass Boolean algebra?

Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models \text{KM} + \text{AC}$  and  $M_{\mathcal{V}} \models \text{ZFC}_I^-$  is its companion model.

- The hyperclass Boolean algebra  $\mathbb{B}$  is a class of  $M_{\mathcal{V}}$ .
- In  $M_{\mathcal{V}}$ , we can build the Boolean valued model  $M_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathbb{B}}$ .
- **Problem:**  $M_{\mathcal{V}}$  may not have any ultrafilters on  $\mathbb{B}$ .
- **Solution:**  $M_{\mathcal{V}}$  needs to have a definable global well-order. Equivalently  $\mathcal{V}$  needs to have a hyperclass well-order of  $\mathcal{C}$ .

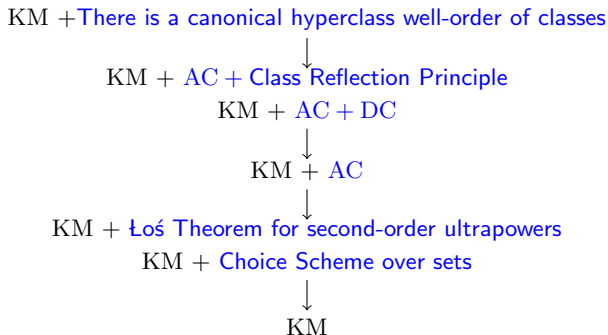
## The strongest hypothesis

Suppose  $\mathcal{V} = \langle V, \in, \mathcal{C} \rangle \models \text{KM} + \text{AC} + \text{DC}$  and  $M_{\mathcal{V}} \models \text{ZFC}_I^-$  is its companion model.

- $M_{\mathcal{V}}$  has a **class partial order**  $\mathbb{P}$  such that:
  - ▶  $M_{\mathcal{V}}[G] \models \text{ZFC}_I^-$  has the form  $L[A]$  for some  $A \subseteq \kappa$ ,
  - ▶  $V_{\kappa}^{M_{\mathcal{V}}[G]} = V_{\kappa}^{M_{\mathcal{V}}}$ .
- $M_{\mathcal{V}}[G]$  has a **definable global well-order**.
- Let  $\bar{\mathcal{V}} = \langle \bar{V}, \in, \bar{\mathcal{C}} \rangle \models \text{KM} + \text{AC} + \text{DC}$  such that  $M_{\mathcal{V}}[G] = M_{\bar{\mathcal{V}}}$ .
  - ▶  $\bar{V} = V$
  - ▶  $\bar{\mathcal{C}} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$
  - ▶  $\bar{V}$  has a **canonical hyperclass well-order of classes**.

**The strongest hypothesis:**  $\text{KM} + \text{AC} + \text{DC}$  and there exists a **canonical hyperclass well-order of classes**.

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Thank you!