

# Parameter-free comprehension in second-order arithmetic

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## Second-order arithmetic

Second-order arithmetic has two types of objects: numbers and sets of numbers (reals).

### Syntax: Two-sorted logic

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

**Semantics:** A model is  $\mathcal{M} = \langle M, +, \times, <, 0, 1, \in, \mathcal{S} \rangle$ .

- $M$  is the collection of numbers.
- $\mathcal{S}$  is the collection of sets of numbers: if  $A \in \mathcal{S}$ , then  $A \subseteq M$ .

### Second-order axioms

- **Numbers:** PA
- **Sets:**
  - ▶ Extensionality
  - ▶ Induction axiom:  $\forall X ((0 \in X \wedge \forall n(n \in X \rightarrow n + 1 \in X)) \rightarrow \forall n n \in X)$

## Weak axiom systems

### Arithmetical comprehension $ACA_0$

Comprehension scheme for first-order formulas: for all  $n$ ,  $\Sigma_n^0$ - $CA_0$   
if  $\varphi(n, A)$  is a first-order formula, then  $\{n \mid \varphi(n, A)\}$  is a set.

- If  $\langle M, +, \times, <, 0, 1 \rangle \models PA$  and  $\mathcal{S}$  consists of definable subsets of  $M$ , then

$$\mathcal{M} = \langle M, +, \times, <, 0, 1, \in, \mathcal{S} \rangle \models ACA_0.$$

- $ACA_0$  is conservative over PA.

### Elementary Transfinite Recursion $ATR_0$

$ACA_0$

Transfinite recursion: every first-order recursion on sets along a well-order has a solution.

- A well-order is a linear order  $\Gamma$  whose every subset has a minimal element.
- A solution to a recursion is a code of a function  $F : \text{dom}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ .

A code for  $F$  is  $\bar{F} = \{ \langle n, m \rangle \mid n \in \text{dom}(\Gamma), m \in F(n) \}$

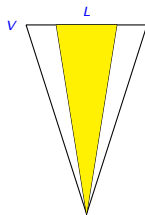
- Iterate Turing jump.
- Build an internal constructible universe  $L$ .
- (Fujimoto) Equivalent (over  $ACA_0$ ) to existence of iterated truth predicates along any well-order  $\Gamma$ .

## Gödel's $L$ in $\text{ATR}_0$

### Gödel's constructible universe $L$

Suppose  $V \models \text{ZF}$ .

- $L_0 = \emptyset$
- $L_{\alpha+1}$  is the set of all **subsets** of  $L_\alpha$  **definable over**  $L_\alpha$ .
- $L_\lambda = \bigcup_{\alpha < \lambda} L_\alpha$  for a limit  $\lambda$ .
- $L = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \text{Ord}} L_\alpha$ .



Suppose  $\mathcal{M} = \langle M, +, \times, <, 0, 1, \in, \mathcal{S} \rangle \models \text{ATR}_0$  and  $\Gamma \in \mathcal{S}$  is a **well-order**.

- $\mathcal{M}$  can construct the  $L$ -hierarchy along  $\Gamma$ .
- There is a set coding a sequence of  $L_\Delta$  for  $\Delta \leq \Gamma$  obeying the definition of  $L$ .

A model of  $\text{ATR}_0$  has its own constructible universe  $L^{\mathcal{M}}$ !

**Definition:** A well-order  $\Gamma \in \mathcal{S}$  is **constructible** if there is a well-order  $\Delta$  such that

$$L_\Delta \models \Gamma \text{ is countable.}$$

$L_{\omega_1}^{\mathcal{M}}$  is the **union** of  $L_\Delta$  for **constructible well-orders**  $\Delta$ .

## The comprehension hierarchy

Increasing to the amount of comprehension to more complex second-order assertions produces a hierarchy of second-order set theories

$\Sigma_n^1$ -comprehension  $\Sigma_n^1\text{-CA}_0$

If  $\varphi(n, A)$  is a  $\Sigma_n^1$ -formula, then  $\{n \mid \varphi(n, A)\}$  is a set.

- $\Sigma_1^1\text{-CA}_0$  is stronger than  $\text{ATR}_0$ .

culminating in:

**Full second-order arithmetic**  $Z_2$

For all  $n$ ,  $\Sigma_n^1$ -comprehension.

- If  $\mathcal{M} \models Z_2$ , then  $L_{\omega_1}^{\mathcal{M}} \models \text{ZFC}^-$  ZFC without powerset

**Definition:**  $Z_2^{-P}$  is full comprehension **without parameters**.

## Equiconsistency of $Z_2$ and $Z_2^{-P}$

**Theorem:** (H. Friedman)  $Z_2$  and  $Z_2^{-P}$  are equiconsistent.

**Proof idea:** Suppose  $\mathcal{M} = \langle M, +, \times, <, 0, 1, \in, \mathcal{S} \rangle \models Z_2^{-P}$ .

- A modified  $L$ -construction can be carried out **without parameters**.
- $L_{\omega_1}^{\mathcal{M}} \models \text{ZFC}^-$ .
- Let  $\bar{\mathcal{S}} = \{A \in \mathcal{S} \mid A \in L_{\omega_1}^{\mathcal{M}}\}$  be the “constructible reals” of  $\mathcal{M}$ .
- $(M, +, \times, <, 0, 1, \in, \bar{\mathcal{S}}) \models Z_2$ .

## Quick review of forcing

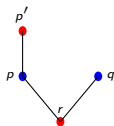
Suppose  $V \models \text{ZFC}$  and  $\mathbb{P}$  is a **forcing notion**: partial order with largest element  $\mathbf{1}$ .

### Dense sets and generic filters

$D \subseteq \mathbb{P}$  is **dense** if for every  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ , there is  $q \in D$  with  $q \leq p$ .

$G \subseteq \mathbb{P}$  is a **filter**:

- $\mathbf{1} \in G$ .
- (upward closure) If  $p \in G$  and  $p' \geq p$ , then  $p' \in G$ .
- (compatibility) If  $p, q \in G$ , then  $r \in G$  such that  $r \leq p, q$ .



A filter  $G \subseteq \mathbb{P}$  is  **$V$ -generic** if it meets every dense set  $D \in \mathcal{V}$  of  $\mathbb{P}$ :  $D \cap G \neq \emptyset$ .

**Theorem:**  $V$  has no  $V$ -generic filters for  $\mathbb{P}$ .

The **forcing extension**  $V[G]$  is constructed from  $V$  together with an external  $V$ -generic filter  $G$ .

## Quick review of forcing (continued)

**$\mathbb{P}$ -names**: names for elements of  $V[G]$ .

Defined **recursively** so that a  **$\mathbb{P}$ -name**  $\sigma$  consists of pairs  $\langle \tau, p \rangle$ :  $p \in \mathbb{P}$  and  $\tau$  is a  $\mathbb{P}$ -name.

Special  $\mathbb{P}$ -names

- Given  $a \in V$ ,  $\check{a} = \{\langle \check{b}, 1 \rangle \mid b \in a\}$ .
- $\dot{G} = \{\langle \check{p}, p \rangle \mid p \in \mathbb{P}\}$ .

### Forcing extension $V[G]$

Suppose  $G \subseteq \mathbb{P}$  is  $V$ -generic and  $\sigma$  is a  $\mathbb{P}$ -name. The **interpretation of  $\sigma$  by  $G$** :  $\sigma_G = \{\tau_G \mid \langle \tau, p \rangle \in \sigma \text{ and } p \in G\}$ .

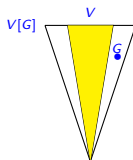
Defined recursively.

The forcing extension  $V[G] = \{\sigma_G \mid \sigma \text{ is a } \mathbb{P}\text{-name in } V\}$ .

- $V \subseteq V[G]$ :  $\check{a}_G = a$ .
- $G \in V[G]$ :  $\dot{G}_G = G$ .
- $V[G] \models \text{ZFC}$

**Forcing relation  $p \Vdash \varphi(\sigma)$** : whenever  $G$  is  $V$ -generic and  $p \in G$ , then  $V[G] \models \varphi(\sigma_G)$ .

- For a fixed first-order formula  $\varphi(x)$ , the relation  $p \Vdash \varphi(\sigma)$  is **definable**.
- If  $q \leq p$  and  $p \Vdash \varphi(\sigma)$ , then  $q \Vdash \varphi(\sigma)$ .
- If  $V[G] \models \varphi(\sigma_G)$ , then there is  $p \in G$  such that  $p \Vdash \varphi(\sigma)$ .





## Cohen forcing

$\text{Add}(\omega, 1)$  - adds a new real

Conditions: binary sequences  $p : D \rightarrow 2$  with  $D \subseteq \omega$  finite.

Order:  $q \leq p$  if  $q$  extends  $p$ .

Suppose  $G \subseteq \text{Add}(\omega, 1)$  is  $V$ -generic.

- $r = \bigcup G$  is a new real
- $V[G]$  has continuum-many  $V$ -generic reals for  $\text{Add}(\omega, 1)$ .

$$p = \begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 10 & 1 & & & \\ & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \end{array}$$

$$q = \begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & & \\ & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \end{array}$$

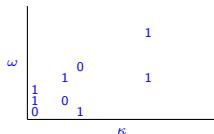
$\text{Add}(\omega, \kappa)$  - adds (at least)  $\kappa$ -many reals

Conditions: functions  $p : D \rightarrow 2$ , where  $D$  is a finite subset of  $\omega \times \kappa$ .

Order:  $q \leq p$  if  $q$  extends  $p$ .

Suppose  $G \subseteq \text{Add}(\omega, \kappa)$  is  $V$ -generic.

$\bigcup G$  gives  $\kappa$ -many new reals.



# Sacks forcing

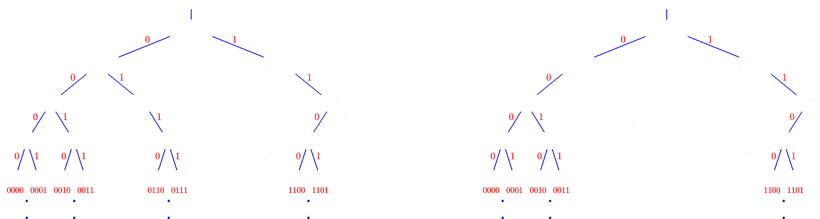
Sacks forcing  $\mathbb{S}$  - adds a generic real

Conditions: Perfect trees  $T \subseteq 2^{<\omega}$ : every node has a splitting node above it.

Order:  $S \leq T$  if  $S$  is a subtree of  $T$ .

Suppose  $G \subseteq \mathbb{S}$  is  $V$ -generic.

- There is a real  $b \in V[G]$  such that  $T \in G$  iff  $b$  is a branch of  $T$ .
- The generic real  $b$  determines  $G$ .



## Jensen's forcing

Jensen's forcing  $\mathbb{J}$  - adds a unique generic real

- constructed using  $\diamond$  in  $L$  (construction is technical)
- $\mathbb{J} \subseteq \mathbb{S}$
- has ccc
- adds a unique generic  $\Pi_2^1$ -definable singleton real
- used by Jensen to show that it is consistent to have a non-constructible  $\Pi_2^1$ -definable singleton real.

Every  $\Sigma_2^1$ -definable singleton real is in  $L$  by Shoenfield's Absoluteness.

# Products and iterations of forcing notions

## Products

Suppose  $\mathbb{P}_\alpha$  for  $\alpha < \beta$  are forcing notions.

A product  $\mathbb{P} = \prod_{\alpha < \beta} \mathbb{P}_\alpha$  is a natural forcing notion.

- Conditions:  $\langle p_\alpha \mid \alpha < \beta \rangle$  with  $p_\alpha \in \mathbb{P}_\alpha$ .
- Common **supports**: finite, bounded, full.
- Example:  $\text{Add}(\omega, \kappa) = \prod_{\alpha < \kappa} \text{Add}(\omega, 1)$  with finite support.
- Usage: adding several objects to a forcing extension.

## Iterations

Suppose  $\mathbb{P}$  is a forcing notion,  $G \subseteq \mathbb{P}$  is  $V$ -generic, and  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a forcing notion in  $V[G]$ .

$V$  has a  $\mathbb{P}$ -name  $\dot{\mathbb{Q}}$  for  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Every element of  $V[G]$  has a  $\mathbb{P}$ -name in  $V$ .

In  $V$ , we define a forcing notion  $\mathbb{P} * \dot{\mathbb{Q}}$  such that forcing with  $\mathbb{P} * \dot{\mathbb{Q}}$  is the same as forcing with  $\mathbb{P}$  followed by forcing with  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

- Conditions:  $(p, \dot{q})$  with  $p \in \mathbb{P}$  and  $p \Vdash \dot{q} \in \dot{\mathbb{Q}}$ .
- Order:  $(p, \dot{q}) \leq (r, \dot{s})$  if  $p \leq r$  and  $p \Vdash \dot{q} \leq \dot{s}$ .
- **$n$ -step iterations** are defined similarly (infinite iterations can be defined as well).

Example:  $\mathbb{S} * \dot{\mathbb{S}}$ , where  $\dot{\mathbb{S}}$  is the name for the Sacks forcing of the forcing extension.

Sacks forcing of  $V[G]$  is different from Sacks forcing of  $V$  because  $V[G]$  has new perfect trees.

## Automorphisms of forcing notions

Suppose  $\mathbb{P}$  is a notion of forcing and  $\pi$  is an **automorphism** of  $\mathbb{P}$ .

We apply  $\pi$  (recursively) to  $\mathbb{P}$ -names:  $\langle \tau, p \rangle \in \sigma$  if and only if  $\langle \pi(\tau), \pi(p) \rangle \in \pi(\sigma)$ .

- $\pi(\check{\alpha}) = \check{\alpha}$

The forcing relation respects automorphisms:  $p \Vdash \varphi(\sigma)$  if and only if  $\pi(p) \Vdash \varphi(\pi(\sigma))$ .

If  $G \subseteq \mathbb{P}$  is  $V$ -generic, then  $\pi " G$  is  $V$ -generic.

### Examples

- For any  $p, q \in \text{Add}(\omega, 1)$ , there is an automorphism  $\pi$  such that  $p$  and  $\pi(q)$  are compatible.
- Every permutation of  $\kappa$  gives rise to a **coordinate-switching automorphism** of  $\text{Add}(\omega, \kappa)$ .
- For any  $p, q \in \text{Add}(\omega, \kappa)$ , there is an automorphism  $\pi$  such that  $p$  and  $\pi(q)$  are compatible.
- Jensen's forcing  $\mathbb{J}$  is rigid.

## A very bad model of $Z_2^{-P}$

**Theorem:** (Lyubetsky and Kanovei) It is consistent that there is a model  $\mathcal{M} = \langle M, +, \times, <, 0, 1, \in, \mathcal{S} \rangle \models Z_2^{-P}$  such that  $\mathcal{S}$  is not closed under complements.

**Proof:** Let  $G \subseteq \text{Add}(\omega, \omega)$  be  $V$ -generic.

- Let  $\{a_n \mid n < \omega\}$  be the  $\omega$ -many generic reals from  $G$ .
- Let  $\mathcal{S} = P^V(\omega) \cup \{a_n \mid n < \omega\}$ .
- $\mathcal{S}$  is not closed under complements.
- Let  $\mathcal{M} = \langle \omega, +, \times, <, 0, 1, \in, \mathcal{S} \rangle$ .
- Let  $\dot{\mathcal{M}}$  be the canonical  $\text{Add}(\omega, \omega)$ -name for  $\mathcal{M}$ .
- Fix a second-order formula  $\varphi(x)$ .
- Suppose, for  $n < \omega$ ,  $p \Vdash \dot{\mathcal{M}} \models \varphi(\check{n})$ , but  $q \Vdash \dot{\mathcal{M}} \models \neg\varphi(\check{n})$ .
- Let  $\pi$  be a coordinate-switching automorphism such that there is  $r \leq p, \pi(q)$ .
- $\pi(q) \Vdash \dot{\mathcal{M}} \models \neg\varphi(\check{n})$  since  $\pi(\dot{\mathcal{M}}) = \dot{\mathcal{M}}$ .
- $r \Vdash \dot{\mathcal{M}} \models \varphi(\check{n})$  ( $r \leq p$ ) and  $r \Vdash \dot{\mathcal{M}} \models \neg\varphi(\check{n})$  ( $r \leq \pi(q)$ ). Impossible!
- If some  $p \Vdash \dot{\mathcal{M}} \models \varphi(\check{n})$ , then all  $p \Vdash \dot{\mathcal{M}} \models \varphi(\check{n})$ .
- By definability of the forcing relation,  $\{n < \omega \mid \mathcal{M} \models \varphi(n)\} \in V$ .
- $\mathcal{M} \models Z_2^{-P}$ .  $\square$

A model of  $\Sigma_2^1\text{-CA}_0 + Z_2^{-P}$

**Theorem:** (Lyubetsky and Kanovei) It is consistent that there is a model of  $\Sigma_2^1\text{-CA}_0 + Z_2^{-P}$  in which  $\Sigma_4^1\text{-CA}_0$  fails.

The model is constructed in a forcing extension by a (non-linear) tree iteration of Sacks forcing.

**Theorem:** (G.) It is consistent that there is a model of  $\Sigma_2^1\text{-CA}_0 + Z_2^{-P}$  in which  $\Sigma_3^1\text{-CA}_0$  fails.

The model is constructed in a forcing extension by a tree iteration of Jensen's forcing.

**Work in progress:** (Kanovei) It is consistent that there is a model of  $\Sigma_n^1\text{-CA}_0 + Z_2^{-P}$  in which  $\Sigma_{n+1}^1\text{-CA}_0$  fails.

**Proof idea:** use a generalization of Jensen's forcing.

## Finite iterations of Jensen's forcing

**Theorem (Abraham)** In  $L$ , for every  $n < \omega$ , there is an  $n$ -length iteration

$\mathbb{J}_n = \dot{Q}_0 \cdot \dot{Q}_1 \cdots \dot{Q}_{n-1}$  such that:

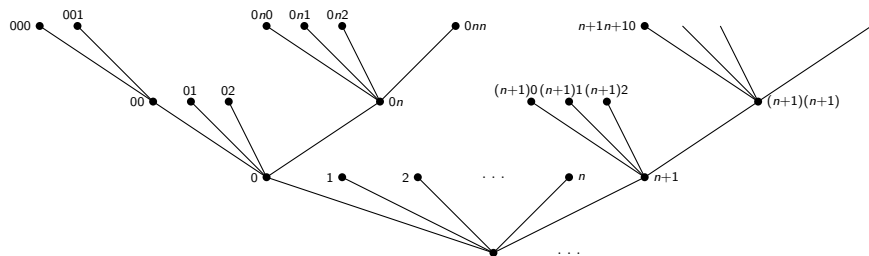
- $\dot{Q}_0 = \mathbb{J}$ .
- If  $G_i \subseteq \mathbb{J}_n \restriction i$  is  $L$ -generic, then in  $L[G_i]$ ,  $\dot{Q} = (\dot{Q}_i)_{G_i}$  has all properties of Jensen's forcing.
- If  $m > n$ , then  $\mathbb{J}_m \restriction n = \mathbb{J}_n$ .
- $\mathbb{J}_n$  has the ccc.
- $\mathbb{J}_n$  adds a unique generic  $\Pi_2^1$ -definable  $n$ -length sequence of reals.

Let  $\vec{\mathbb{J}} = \langle \mathbb{J}_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$ .



# Tree iteration of Jensen's forcing

The tree  $\omega^{<\omega}$

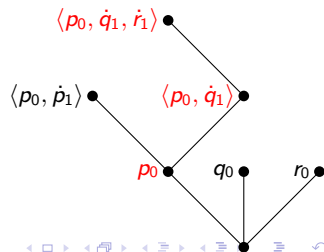


$\mathbb{P}(\vec{\mathbb{J}}, \omega^{<\omega})$ : iteration along the tree  $\omega^{<\omega}$

Conditions:  $p : D_p \rightarrow \bigcup_{n < \omega} \mathbb{J}_n$  such that:

- $D_p$  is a finite subtree of  $\omega^{<\omega}$ ,
- for all  $s \in D_p$ ,  $p(s) \in \mathbb{J}_{\text{len}(s)}$ ,
- for  $s \subseteq t$  in  $D_p$ ,  $p(s) = p(t) \upharpoonright \text{len}(s)$ .

Order:  $q \leq p$  if  $D_q \supseteq D_p$  and for all  $s \in D_p$ ,  $q(s) \leq p(s)$ .



## Tree iteration of Jensen's forcing (continued)

The tree iteration  $\mathbb{P}(\vec{\mathbb{J}}, \omega^{<\omega})$  adds a tree  $\mathcal{T}^G$  (isomorphic to  $\omega^{<\omega}$ ) such that each node on level  $n$  has an  $L$ -generic  $n$ -length sequence of reals for  $\mathbb{J}_n$ .

**Theorem:** (Friedman, G.) The tree iteration  $\mathbb{P}(\vec{\mathbb{J}}, \omega^{<\omega})$  has the ccc.

**Theorem:** (Friedman, G.) Suppose  $G \subseteq \mathbb{P}(\vec{\mathbb{J}}, \omega^{<\omega})$  is  $L$ -generic. In  $L[G]$ :

- The only  $L$ -generic  $n$ -length sequence of reals for  $\mathbb{J}_n$  are those coming from the nodes of  $\mathcal{T}^G$ .
- The collection of all  $L$ -generic  $n$ -length sequences of reals for  $\mathbb{J}_n$  (any  $n$ ) is  $\Pi_2^1$ -definable.

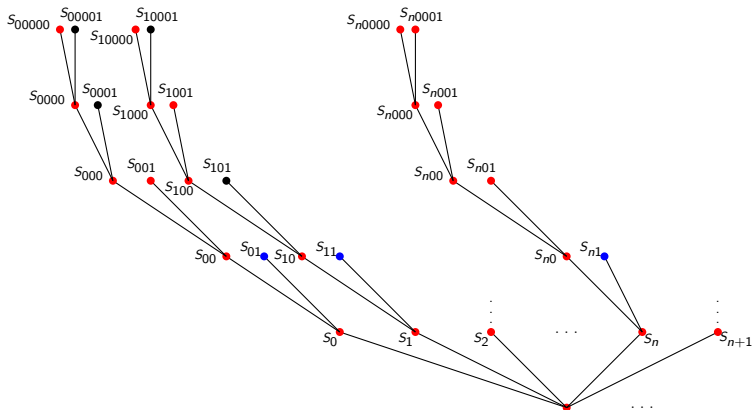
**Proposition:** Suppose

- $G \subseteq \mathbb{P}(\vec{\mathbb{J}}, \omega^{<\omega})$  is  $L$ -generic.
- $T$  is a finite subtree of  $\omega^{<\omega}$ .
- $G_T = G \upharpoonright T$ .

Then the only  $L$ -generic  $n$ -length sequences of reals for  $\mathbb{J}_n$  in  $L[G_T]$  are those coming from the nodes of  $T$ .

## Kanovei's tree

Suppose  $G \subseteq \mathbb{P}(\mathbb{J}, \omega^{<\omega})$  is  $L$ -generic. In  $L[G]$ , define the tree  $S \subseteq \mathcal{T}^G$ .



- $s_n \in S$  for every  $n < \omega$
- $s_{n\vec{0}_m} \in S$  for every  $n, m < \omega$   
 $\vec{0}_n$  is the sequence of  $n \geq 1$ -many zeroes
- $s_{n\vec{0}_{m+1}1} \in S$  whenever  $s_{n1}(1)(m) = 1$

$$s_{01}(1) = 100\dots$$

$$s_{11}(1) = 010\dots$$

$$s_{n1}(1) = 111\dots$$

A model of  $\Sigma_2^1\text{-CA}_0 + Z_2^{-P}$  in which  $\Sigma_3^1\text{-CA}_0$  fails

Let

- $\mathcal{T} = \{T \subseteq S \mid T \text{ finite}\}$ ,
- $\mathcal{S} = \{A \in P^{L[G_T]}(\omega) \mid T \in \mathcal{T}\}$ ,
- $\mathcal{M} = (\omega, +, \times, <, 0, 1, \in, \mathcal{S})$ ,
- $\dot{\mathcal{M}}$  be a canonical  $\mathbb{P}(\vec{\mathbb{J}}, \omega^{<\omega})$ -name for  $\mathcal{M}$ .

Every permutation  $f$  of  $\omega$  gives rise to an automorphism  $\pi_f$  of  $\mathbb{P}(\vec{\mathbb{J}}, \omega^{<\omega})$  which permutes the subtrees  $\mathcal{T}_n^G$  (sitting on node  $S_n$ ) of  $\mathcal{T}^G$ , while preserving the rest of the tree structure.

- $\pi_f(\dot{\mathcal{M}}) = \dot{\mathcal{M}}$
- for any  $p, q \in \mathbb{P}(\vec{\mathbb{J}}, \omega^{<\omega})$ , there is an automorphism  $\pi_f$  such that  $p$  and  $\pi_f(q)$  are compatible.

## A model of $\Sigma_2^1\text{-CA}_0 + Z_2^{-P}$ in which $\Sigma_3^1\text{-CA}_0$ fails (continued)

**Theorem (G.):**  $\mathcal{M} = (M, +, \times, <, 0, 1, \in, \mathcal{S}) \models \Sigma_2^1\text{-CA}_0 + Z_2^{-P} + \neg\Sigma_3^1\text{-CA}_0$ .

**Proof:**

- $\mathcal{M} \models \Sigma_2^1\text{-CA}_0$  by Shoenfield's Absoluteness.
- $\mathcal{M} \models Z_2^{-P}$  because every parameter-free  $A \in \mathcal{S}$  is in  $L$  by the automorphism argument.
- The collection  $\{\vec{r} \mid \exists n \vec{r} \text{ is an } L\text{-generic } n\text{-length sequence for } \mathbb{J}_n\} = \{S_s \mid s \in T \text{ for some } T \in \mathcal{T}\}$  is  $\Pi_2^1$ -definable in  $\mathcal{M}$  (uses the construction of the  $\mathbb{J}_n$ ).
- $S_{01}(1) \notin \mathcal{S}$ .
- $S_{01}(1)$  is  $\Sigma_3^1$ -definable in  $\mathcal{M}$ :  $m \in S_{01}(1)$  if and only if there are two  $L$ -generic  $m + 2$ -length sequences of reals for  $\mathbb{J}_{m+2}$  whose first coordinate is  $S_0$ .  $\square$