

# Embedding theorem and regularity properties under $AD^+$

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There is a long line of absoluteness results for concrete (within the realm of determinacy) statements on reals and ordinals, assuming large cardinals.

We present a specific absoluteness result, similar to the embedding theorem of Neeman-Zapletal.

We prove the absoluteness result under large cardinals, and under  $AD^+$ . We present several applications, for example proving that  $AD^+$  implies that there are no (infinite) MAD families.

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Recall (infinite)  $A \subseteq [\omega]^\omega$  is **almost disjoint** if  $(\forall x, y \in A)$   
 $x \cap y$  is finite.  $A$  is **maximal almost disjoint (MAD)** if  $A$  is  
maximal with this property.

Under the axiom of choice, MAD families exist using  
Zorn's lemma. But:

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Mathias's proof had combinatorial content beyond the inexistence of MAD families.

## Definition (Mathias '70s)

$\emptyset \neq H \subseteq [\omega]^\omega$  is *happy* (aka *selective co-ideal*) if:

1. (Upward closure)  $y \in H \wedge z \supseteq y \rightarrow z \in H$ .
2. (Pigeonhole)  $y_0 \cup \dots \cup y_n \in H \rightarrow (\exists i)y_i \in H$ .
3. (Selectivity) If  $y_0 \supseteq y_1 \supseteq y_2 \dots$  all in  $H$ , then  $(\exists y_\infty \in H)$  so that  $(\forall m \in \mathbb{N}) y_\infty - (m+1) \subseteq y_m$ .  
Such  $y_\infty$  *diagonalizes*  $\langle y_m \mid m < \omega \rangle$ .

If  $A$  is almost disjoint, then  $H = \{y \mid y \not\subseteq^* x_1 \cup \dots \cup x_k \text{ for any } x_1, \dots, x_k \in A\}$  satisfies upward closure, pigeonhole.

If  $A$  is MAD, then  $H$  is also selective, hence happy. To see this, note (for MAD  $A$ ) that  $y \in H$  iff  $y$  has infinite intersection with infinitely many  $x \in A$ .

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For  $H \in L(\mathbb{R})$ , an inaccessible is enough (N-Norwood), gives Tornquist's result through Mathias's methods.

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## Equivalence relations with simple classes

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### Definition (Zapletal)

Given a  $\sigma$ -ideal  $I$  on  $\omega^\omega$ , let  $\mathbb{P}_I$  be the forcing notion consisting of Borel sets in  $I^+$  ordered by inclusion mod  $I$ , that is  $B \leq A$  iff  $B - A \in I$ .

Zapletal (2000s) initiated a program of studying ideals for which  $\mathbb{P}_I$  is proper, under determinacy or large cardinal assumptions.

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### Theorem (Chan, Chan-Magidor 2016)

1. (Assuming sharps.) Let  $E$  be an analytic (or co-analytic) equivalence relation with Borel classes. Let  $I$  be a  $\sigma$ -ideal on  $\omega^\omega$  so that  $\mathbb{P}_I$  is proper. Then there is  $C \in I^+$  so that  $E \upharpoonright C$  is Borel.
2. (Assuming Woodin cardinals.) The same is true for  $E \in L(\mathbb{R})$ . Also true replacing Borel with analytic, co-analytic.

## Theorem (Woodin '80s)

*Assuming large cardinals, the theory of  $L(\mathbb{R})$  with real parameters cannot be changed by forcing.*

## Theorem (Foreman-Magidor 1995)

*Assuming large cardinals, proper (or reasonable) forcing does not change the length of projective prewellorderings on reals (or prewellorderings in  $L(\mathbb{R})$ ).*

## Theorem (Neeman-Zapletal embedding theorem 1998)

*Assuming large cardinals, if  $\mathbb{P}$  is proper (reasonable) and  $G$  is generic for  $\mathbb{P}$ , then there is an elementary embedding  $j: L(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow L(\mathbb{R}^{V[G]})$  which fixes reals and ordinals.*

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Key to the embedding theorem is finding an iteration  $Q^*$  which works simultaneously for  $\mathbb{R}^V$  and  $\mathbb{R}^{V[G]}$ .

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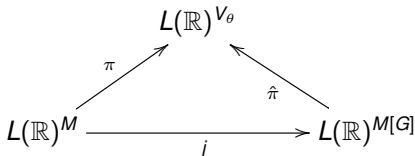
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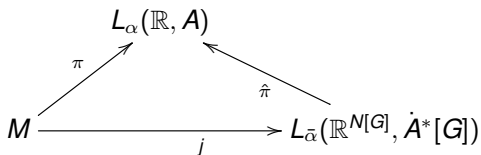
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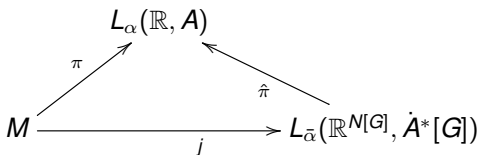
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