# Applications of generic two-cardinal combinatorics

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Let  $\alpha < \beta < \gamma < \kappa^+$ ,  $\nu < \kappa$ ,  $0 < \delta = \bigcup \delta < \epsilon < \kappa^+$ , then the following conditions are satisfied:

- (a)  $|\{\xi < \alpha : m(\xi, \alpha) \le \nu\}| < \kappa$
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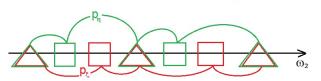
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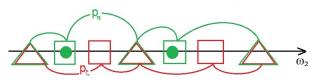
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Let  $f^*: [\omega_2]^2 \to [\omega_2]^{\leq \omega}$  be fixed. Define P as the set of all  $p = (x_p, \leq_p, i_p)$  satisfying the following conditions:

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$$\{a_{\xi_1}(1), \dots, a_{\xi_k}(1)\} \in \mathcal{A},$$
  
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where  $a_{\xi} = \{a_{\xi}(0), a_{\xi}(1)\}\$  for  $\xi \in \omega_1$ .

- D1)  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq [[\lambda]^2]^{<\omega}$  and for every  $a, b \in D \in \mathcal{D}$  we have either  $\max(a) < \min(b)$  (a < b) or  $\max(b) < \min(a)$  (b < a); we express this property by saying that elements of  $\mathcal{D}$  consist of consecutive pairs.
- D2) If  $D, D' \in \mathcal{D}$  are distinct, then there may be at most five pairs in D which intersect other than itself pair from D' i.e.,

$$|\{a \in D : a \cap (\bigcup (D' - \{a\})) \neq \emptyset\}| \le 5.$$

- D3) Whenever  $\{d_{\xi}: \xi < \omega_1\} \subseteq [\lambda]^2$  is a collection of consecutive pairs and  $k \in \omega$ , then there are  $\xi_1 < \xi_2, \ldots, < \xi_k < \omega_1$  such that  $\{d_{\xi_i}: 1 \le i \le k\} \in \mathcal{D}$ .
- D4) Whenever  $D\in\mathcal{D}$  and  $\alpha<\lambda,$  and  $X\subseteq\lambda-\alpha$  is countable, there is  $D'\in\mathcal{D}$  such that

$$( \bigcup D') \cap X = \emptyset, \quad D \cap [\alpha]^2 = D' \cap [\alpha]^2, \quad ( \bigcup D) \cap \alpha = ( \bigcup D') \cap \alpha.$$

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This completes the list of properties of the families. The reader might have noted that if not for D3), the families  $\mathcal{D} = \emptyset$  and  $\mathcal{F} = [\lambda]^{\omega}$  work. This is exploited in the proof of Theorem 1.9.

Now, let us define our Banach space B. We start with the set  ${}^{\lambda}\mathbb{R}$ , that is, all functions from  $\lambda$  into the reals. Following [17] and [21], we define

$$||f||_{\mathcal{A}} = \sup\{\sqrt{\Sigma\{f(\alpha)^2 \colon \alpha \in a\}} \colon a \in \mathcal{A}\}$$

and

$$\nu_{\mathcal{D}}(f) = \sup\{\sqrt{\Sigma\{[f(\alpha) - f(\beta)]^2} : \{\alpha, \beta\} \in D\} : D \in \mathcal{D}\}.$$

We put  $B_*(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D}) = \{f \in {}^{\lambda}\mathbb{R} \colon \nu_D(f) + ||f||_{\mathcal{A}} \text{ is finite}\}$ . Using A1), A2) and D1) one can calculate that  $(B_*(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D}), \nu_D + ||\ ||_{\mathcal{A}})$  are Banach spaces. Namely they are clearly linear spaces and the usual triangle inequality for  $l_2(\lambda)$  implies that they are normed spaces. Given a Cauchy sequence, one gets its uniform coordinate-wise limit by the completness of  $l_{\infty}(\lambda)$ , it has to belong to the spaces since  $\nu_D + ||\ ||_{\mathcal{A}}$  can be approximated on finite sets using terms of the sequence which must be norm-bounded.

For every  $X \subseteq \lambda$ , by  $1_X$  we denote the characteristic function of X. By  $\phi_{\{\alpha\}}$  we define the functional satisfying  $\phi(f) = f(\alpha)$  for  $\alpha \in \lambda$ . For every  $X \subseteq \lambda$  we define  $B_X(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D})$  to be the closure of the linear span  $\{1_{\{\alpha\}}: \alpha \in X\}$  in  $B_*(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D})$  with respect to the norm  $\nu_{\mathcal{D}} + || \cdot ||_{\mathcal{A}}$ . The main result will concern the space  $(B_{\lambda}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D}), \nu_{\mathcal{D}} + || \cdot ||_{\mathcal{A}})$ , however we will consider the space  $B_X(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D})$  for  $X \in \mathcal{F}$  as in F1) and for X an ordinal less than  $\lambda$ , in the latter case we will call this subspace an initial block. The projection on the initial block  $\alpha$  means the restriction of a function to  $\alpha$ .

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choose  $\mathcal{D}$  to be empty and  $\mathcal{F} = [\lambda]^{\omega}$ , that is we just need to add families  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  which satisfy the properties A1)–AB2). The c.c.c. forcing P required by the theorem consists of the conditions p of the form  $(a_p, \mathcal{A}_p, \mathcal{B}_p)$  where

- 1)  $a_p \in [\lambda]^{<\omega}$ .
- 2)  $\mathcal{A}_p \subseteq \mathcal{P}(a_p), \, \mathcal{B}_p \subseteq \mathcal{P}(a_p).$
- 3)  $\mathcal{A}_p$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_p$  are closed under subsets.
- 4)  $\mathcal{A}_p \cap \mathcal{B}_p \subseteq [a_p]^1$ .

The order is defined by  $p \leq q$  if and only if  $a_p \supseteq a_q$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_p \supseteq \mathcal{A}_q$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_p \supseteq \mathcal{B}_q$ .

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- 5) Elements of  $\mathcal{D}_p$  are sets of consecutive pairs of  $a_p$ .
- 6) AD1) and BD1) of Section 2 are satisfied.
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Claim 3. It is consistent that there is a function  $F: [\omega_2]^2 \to [\omega_2]^{\leq \omega}$  with the following two properties:

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$$\forall i, j \le k, \ i \ne j \ \forall \alpha \in a_{\xi_i} - \Delta \ \forall \beta \in a_{\xi_j} - \Delta$$
$$F(\alpha, \beta) \supseteq \bigcup \{a_{\xi_m} \cap \min(\alpha, \beta) \colon m < i, j\}.$$

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$$\pi[F(\alpha,\beta) \cap E] = F(\pi(\alpha), \pi(\beta)) \cap E'. \tag{**}$$

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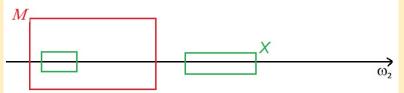


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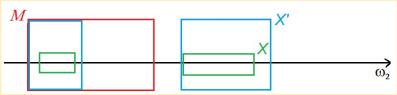


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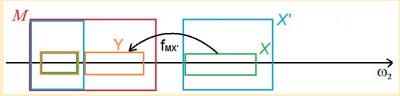


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