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## The axiom of choice and linearly ordered sets

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**Abstract.** Let ZF be Zermelo-Fraenkel set theory without the axiom of choice and let ZF<sup>0</sup> be the modification which allows urelements or atoms. In this paper we show that there are many forms of the axiom of choice and the axiom of multiple choice involving linearly ordered sets which are equivalent to the axiom of choice in ZF but not in ZF<sup>0</sup>. The independence proofs use permutation models of Fraenkel-Mostowski.

§ 1. **Introduction.** The variants of the axiom of choice which we consider in this paper are listed below.

## The statements

- A: *Antichain Principle.* Every partially ordered set contains a maximal antichain. (I.e. a maximal subset of mutually incomparable elements.)
- AC: *Axiom of Choice.* For every family  $x$  of non-empty sets, there is a function  $f$  such that for each  $u \in x$ ,  $f(u) \in u$ .
- AC<sup>LO</sup>: Axiom of choice for a linearly ordered family of non-empty sets.
- AC<sub>LO</sub>: Axiom of choice for a family of non-empty sets each of which can be linearly ordered.  
 $(\forall x)[(\forall u \in x)(\exists R_u) (R_u \text{ linearly orders } u) \rightarrow \text{AC holds for } x]$ .
- AC<sub>DLO</sub>: Axiom of choice for a family of non-empty sets, each of which has a defined linear ordering.  
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- AC<sup>LO</sup><sub>DLO</sub>: Axiom of choice for a linearly ordered family of non-empty sets, each of which has a defined linear ordering.
- LW: Every linearly ordered set can be well ordered.
- MC: *Axiom of Multiple Choice.* For every family  $x$  of non-empty sets, there is a function  $f$  such that for each  $u \in x$ ,  $f(u)$  is a non-empty, finite subset of  $u$ .
- MC<sup>LO</sup>: Axiom of multiple choice for a linearly ordered family of non-empty sets.

- $MC_{LO}$ : Axiom of multiple choice for a family of non-empty sets, each of which can be linearly ordered.
- $MC_{DLO}$ : Axiom of multiple choice for a family of non-empty sets, each of which has a defined linear ordering.
- $MC_{LO}^{LO}$ : Axiom of multiple choice for a linearly ordered family of non-empty sets, each of which can be linearly ordered.
- $MC_{DLO}^{LO}$ : Axiom of multiple choice for a linearly ordered family of non-empty sets, each of which has a defined linear ordering.
- PW: The power set of each well ordered set can be well-ordered.

In § 2 we show that all the implications and equivalences shown in the diagram below (Fig. 1) hold in  $ZF^0$ ,  $ZF$  with atoms. However, it is known [4], that  $PW \rightarrow AC$  in  $ZF$ . Thus, it follows that all the statements listed above are equivalent in  $ZF$ .

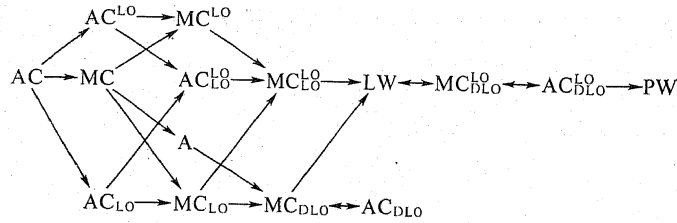


Fig. 1

Then, in § 3 we construct Fraenkel–Mostowski (F-M) models and prove the non-implications. We show, with very few exceptions that no arrow in Figure 1 is reversible in  $ZF^0$  and if there is no arrow between two statements then it cannot be shown in  $ZF^0$  that one implies the other. There are still some unsolved problems due to the fact that we have not been able to construct an F-M model in which  $AC_{LO}$  is true<sup>(1)</sup>. However, all other questions have been resolved. (See Fig. 3 in § 3.)

§ 2. The implications. The following implications are clear.

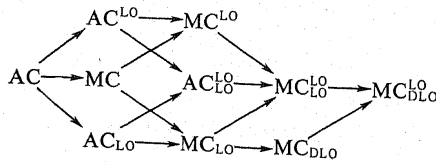


Fig. 2

The proof that  $MC \rightarrow A$  is given in [1], p. 80 and the proof that  $LW \rightarrow PW$  is given in [5], p. 77.

<sup>(1)</sup> Added in proof, John Tross has discovered a model due to R. J. Gauntt in which  $AC_{LO}$  is true and  $MC_{LO}$  is false.

LEMMA 2.1.  $A \rightarrow AC_{DLO}$ .

Proof. Let  $x$  be a set of non-empty sets. (There is no loss of generality if we assume the sets in  $x$  are pairwise disjoint.) Suppose  $R$  is a relation which linearly orders each set in  $x$ . Define a relation  $S$  on  $\bigcup x$  such that for each  $a, b \in \bigcup x$ ,  $aSb$  iff  $(\exists u \in x)(a, b \in u \ \& \ aRb)$ .  $S$  is a partial ordering on  $\bigcup x$  and a maximal  $S$ -anti-chain is a choice set for  $x$ .

It is clear that  $AC_{DLO} \rightarrow MC_{DLO}$  and  $AC_{DLO}^{LO} \rightarrow MC_{DLO}^{LO}$ .

LEMMA 2.2.  $MC_{DLO} \rightarrow AC_{DLO}$ .

Proof. Let  $x$  be a set of non-empty pairwise disjoint sets, each of which is linearly ordered by  $R$ . Let  $F$  be a multiple choice function on  $x$ . Then  $\{a : (\exists u \in x)(a \text{ is the } R\text{-first element of } F(u))\}$  is a choice set in  $x$ .

LEMMA 2.3.  $LW \rightarrow AC_{DLO}^{LO}$ .

Proof. Suppose  $\langle x, R \rangle$  is a linearly ordered set of non-empty pairwise disjoint sets such that each set in  $x$  is linearly ordered by  $S$ . Then,  $\bigcup x$  can be linearly ordered so  $LW$  implies that  $\bigcup x$  can be well-ordered. Using this well-ordering a choice function on  $x$  can be defined.

The proof that  $MC_{DLO}^{LO} \rightarrow AC_{DLO}^{LO}$  is similar to the proof of Lemma 2.2.

LEMMA 2.4.  $AC_{DLO}^{LO} \rightarrow LW$ .

Proof. Let  $\langle x, R \rangle$  be a linearly ordered set. Define

$$y = \{u \times \{S\} : u \subseteq x \ \& \ S \text{ well-orders } u\}.$$

The set  $y$  can be linearly ordered by a relation  $T$  as follows:

$$(u_1 \times \{S_1\})T(u_2 \times \{S_2\}) \text{ iff } \overline{\langle u_1, S_1 \rangle} < \overline{\langle u_2, S_2 \rangle}$$

or  $[f : \langle u_1, S_1 \rangle \cong \langle u_2, S_2 \rangle \ \& \ \text{if } a \text{ is the } S_1\text{-first element in } \{b \in u_1 : b \neq f(b)\} \text{ then } aRf(a)]$  where  $\overline{\langle u, S \rangle}$  is the ordinal number of  $\langle u, S \rangle$  and  $f : \langle u_1, S_1 \rangle \cong \langle u_2, S_2 \rangle$  means  $f$  is the unique isomorphism from  $\langle u_1, S_1 \rangle$  onto  $\langle u_2, S_2 \rangle$ .

The set

$$z = \{(x-u) \times \{S\} : u \subseteq x \ \& \ S \text{ well-orders } u\}$$

is a linearly ordered set ( $T$  induces a linear ordering on  $z$ ) of non-empty sets, each of which is linearly ordered by  $R$ . Thus,  $AC_{DLO}^{LO}$  implies there is a choice function  $F$ , on  $z$ . Then well-order  $x$  so that the  $\alpha$ th element of  $x$ ,  $a_\alpha$  = the first coordinate of  $F((x - \bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} \{a_\beta\}) \times \{\leq\})$  where  $\leq$  is the well-ordering of  $\bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} a_\beta$  induced by  $\alpha$ .

The proof that  $PW \rightarrow AC$  in  $ZF$  is due to H. Rubin and can be found in [5], p. 77. Thus, all the statements listed in Figure 1 are equivalent in  $ZF$ . We shall show in § 3 that this is not the case in  $ZF^0$ .

As a closing note for this section we show that  $AC^{LO}$  is equivalent in  $ZF^0$  to the following maximal principle.

M: Every transitive and connected ordered set contains a maximal linearly ordered subset.

LEMMA 2.5.  $M \rightarrow AC^{LO}$ .

Proof. Let  $\langle x, R \rangle$  be a linearly ordered set of pairwise disjoint sets. Define  $S$  on  $\bigcup x$  so that for  $a, b \in \bigcup x$ , where  $a \in u \in x$  and  $b \in v \in x$ ,  $a S b$  iff  $u R v$ .  $S$  is a transitive and connected relation on  $\bigcup x$ . An  $S$ -linearly ordered maximal subset of  $\bigcup x$  is a choice set for  $x$ .

LEMMA 2.6.  $AC^{LO} \rightarrow M$ .

Proof. Suppose  $\langle x, R \rangle$  is a transitive and connected set. Define a relation  $S$  on  $x$  so that

$$u S v \text{ iff } u = v \text{ or } (u R v \& v R u).$$

$S$  is an equivalence relation. For each  $u \in x$ , let  $[u] = \{v \in x : u S v\}$ . Let  $y = \{[u] : u \in x\}$ . Since  $R$  is transitive, we can define a relation  $T$  on  $y$  so that  $[u] T [v]$  iff  $u R v$ . (If  $u' \in [u]$  and  $v' \in [v]$ ,  $u' R v'$  iff  $u R v$ .) The relation  $T$  linearly orders  $y$  and a choice set for  $y$  is a maximal linearly ordered subset of  $x$ .

**§ 3. The non-implications.** Given a model  $M'$  of  $ZF^0 + AC$  which has  $U$  as the set of urelements, a permutation model  $M$  of  $ZF^0$  is determined by a group  $G$  of permutations of  $U$  and a filter  $\Gamma$  of subgroups of  $G$  which satisfies

$$(1) \quad (\forall a \in U)(\exists H \in \Gamma)(\forall \varphi \in H)\varphi(a) = a$$

and

$$(2) \quad (\forall \varphi \in G)(\forall H \in \Gamma)\varphi H \varphi^{-1} \in \Gamma.$$

Each permutation of  $U$  extends uniquely to a permutation of  $M'$  by  $\varepsilon$ -induction and for any  $\varphi \in G$ , we identify  $\varphi$  with its extension. The following notation from [2] will be adopted: For  $x \in M'$ ,

$$\text{fix}_G(x) = \{\varphi \in G : \varphi(y) = y \text{ for all } y \in x\}.$$

When no confusion will arise, we will write  $\text{fix}(x)$  for  $\text{fix}_G(x)$ . Also if  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ ,  $x \in M'$  and  $(\forall \varphi \in H)(\varphi(x) = x)$  we say  $H$  fixes  $x$ . If it is also the case that  $(\forall \varphi \in H)(\forall y \in x)(\varphi(y) = y)$  we say that  $H$  fixes  $x$  pointwise.

The permutation model  $M$  determined by  $U$ ,  $G$  and  $\Gamma$  consists of all those  $x \in M'$  such that for every  $y$  in the transitive closure of  $x$ , there is some  $H \in \Gamma$  such that  $H$  fixes  $y$ . We refer the reader to [2], p. 46 for the proof that  $M$  is a model of  $ZF^0$ .

Each of the non-implications is proved by using one of the six permutation models  $M_1, M_2, \dots, M_6$  described below. In each case we describe  $M_i$  by giving a set  $U_i$  of urelements, a group  $G_i$  of permutations of  $U_i$  and a filter  $\Gamma_i$  of subgroups of  $G_i$ .

$U_1$  is a countable set of urelements and  $<$  is a dense linear ordering of  $U_1$  without first or last element.  $G_1$  is the group of all automorphisms of  $\langle U_1, < \rangle$  and  $\Gamma_1$  is the filter generated by

$$\{\text{fix}(E) : E \text{ is a finite subset of } U_1\}.$$

(This is the linear ordered model of Mostowski [3].)

$U_2$  is countable and  $<$  is a partial ordering of  $U_2$  such that  $\langle U_2, < \rangle$  is a countable, universal, homogeneous partially ordered set.  $G_2$  is the group of all automorphisms of  $\langle U_2, < \rangle$  and  $\Gamma_2$  is the filter generated by

$$\{\text{fix}(E) : E \text{ is a finite subset of } U_2\}.$$

We refer the reader to [2], p. 101 for definitions.

$U_3$  is countable,  $G$  is the group of all permutations of  $U_3$  and  $\Gamma_3$  is the filter generated by

$$\{\text{fix}(E) : E \text{ is a finite subset of } U_3\}.$$

$U_4 = \bigcup_{i \in \omega} \{a_i, b_i\}$  where  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  are atoms for all  $i \in \omega$  and  $i \neq j$  implies  $\{a_i, b_i\} \cap \{a_j, b_j\} = \emptyset$ ,

$$G_4 = \{\varphi : (\exists A \subseteq \omega)(A \text{ finite and } (\forall i \in A)(\varphi(a_i) = b_i \text{ and } \varphi(b_i) = a_i) \text{ and } (\forall i \notin A)(\varphi(a_i) = a_i \text{ and } \varphi(b_i) = b_i))\}$$

and  $\Gamma_4$  is the filter generated by

$$\{\text{fix}(E) : E \text{ is a finite subset of } U_4\}.$$

$U_5$  is a set of urelements of cardinality  $\aleph_1$ ,  $G_5$  is the group of all permutations of  $U_5$  and  $\Gamma_5$  is the filter generated by

$$\{\text{fix}(E) : E \text{ is a countable subset of } U_5\}.$$

$U_6 = \bigcup_{i \in \omega} C_i$  where each  $C_i$  is a countable set of urelements and  $i \neq j$  implies  $C_i \cap C_j = \emptyset$ ,

$$G_6 = \{\varphi : (\forall i \in \omega)(\varphi(C_i) = C_i) \text{ and } (\exists B) (B \text{ is a finite subset of } U_6 \text{ and } (\forall a \notin B)(\varphi(a) = a))\},$$

$\Gamma_6$  is the filter generated by  $\{\text{fix}(C_i) : i \in \omega\}$ .

We note that if one prefers a countable set of atoms  $M_5$  could be replaced by  $M_5'$  where  $U_5'$  is a countable set of atoms and  $<$  is a dense linear ordering of  $U_5'$  without first or last element,

$$G_5' = \{\varphi : (\exists E \subseteq U_5')(E \text{ is bounded and } (\forall a \notin E)(\varphi(a) = a))\}.$$

and  $\Gamma_5'$  is the filter generated by  $\{\text{fix}(E) : E \text{ is a bounded subset of } U_5'\}$ . All the theorems which we prove concerning the model  $M_5$  remain true if  $M_5$  is replaced by  $M_5'$ . We summarize the results of this section (and of Sections 1 and 2) by the following table. An  $\rightarrow$  in a box indicates that the row label implies the column label and a number  $i$  in a box indicates that the row label is true in  $M_i$  and the column label is false. An empty box indicates an open problem.

(See the footnote on p. 112 for additional results on  $AC_{LO}$ .)

We now look at the models one at a time beginning with  $M_1$ .

	AC	AC <sup>LO</sup>	MC	AC <sub>LO</sub>	MC <sup>LO</sup>	AC <sub>LO</sub> <sup>LO</sup>	A	MC <sub>LO</sub>	MC <sub>LO</sub> <sup>LO</sup>	MC <sub>DLO</sub>	LW	PW
AC	→	→	→	→	→	→	→	→	→	→	→	→
AC <sup>LO</sup>	5	→	5	5	→	→	5	5	→	5	→	→
MC	4	4	→	4	→	4	→	→	→	→	→	→
AC <sub>LO</sub>				→		→		→	→	→	→	→
MC <sup>LO</sup>	4	4	5	4	→	4	5	5	→	5	→	→
AC <sub>LO</sub> <sup>LO</sup>	3	3	3	3	3	→	5	5	→	5	→	→
A	3	3	3	3	3	4	→	6	6	→	→	→
MC <sub>LO</sub>	3	3	3	3	3	4	2	→	→	→	→	→
MC <sub>LO</sub> <sup>LO</sup>	3	3	3	3	3	4	2	5	→	5	→	→
MC <sub>DLO</sub>	3	3	3	3	3	4	2	6	6	→	→	→
LW	3	3	3	3	3	4	5	5	6	5	→	→
PW	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	→

Fig. 3

By considering Figure 1 we see that to prove all of the claims made in Figure 3 about model  $M_1$ , the following theorem suffices:

**THEOREM 3.1.** *In  $M_1$ , PW is true and LW is false.*

The proof can be found in [2], p. 134 ff.

Before proceeding with the remaining models, it is convenient to prove the following two lemmas.

**LEMMA 3.1.** *Suppose  $M$  is a permutation model determined by a set  $U$  of urelements, a group  $G$  of permutations of  $U$  and a filter  $\Gamma$  of subgroups of  $G$ . Suppose that  $W$  is a set in  $M$  and  $H$  is a function defined on  $W$  such that:*

- 1)  $H \in M$ ,
- 2)  $G' \in \Gamma$  fixes  $H$  and
- 3) for each  $z \in W$ , there is a  $y \in H(z)$  such that

$$(\forall \varphi \in G')(\varphi(z) = z \rightarrow \varphi(y) = y).$$

Then there is a function  $F \in M$  defined on  $W$  such that

$$(\forall z \in W)(F(z) \in H(z)).$$

**Proof.** Assume the hypotheses. Define the equivalence relation  $\sim$  on  $W$  by

$$u \sim v \leftrightarrow (\exists \varphi \in G')(\varphi(u) = v).$$

Let  $C$  be the set of equivalence classes and choose  $u_c \in c$  for each  $c \in C$ . Then choose  $t_c \in H(u_c)$  such that

$$(\forall \varphi \in G')(\varphi(u_c) = u_c \rightarrow \varphi(t_c) = t_c).$$

(Neither of the functions  $u$  or  $t$  need be in  $M$ ). We then claim that

$$F = \{ \langle \langle u_c, t_c \rangle \rangle : c \in C \text{ \& } \varphi \in G' \}$$

is a function with the required properties. We verify that  $F$  is a function. The other properties are easily verified. Suppose that  $\langle \varphi(u_c), \varphi(t_c) \rangle$  and  $\langle \varphi(u_{c'}), \varphi(t_{c'}) \rangle$  are in  $F$ , where  $c, c' \in C$  and  $\varphi, \varphi' \in G'$  and suppose that  $\varphi(u_c) = \varphi'(u_{c'})$ . Then

$$(*) \quad \varphi'^{-1} \varphi(u_c) = u_{c'}.$$

Hence  $u_c \sim u_{c'}$ , so  $u_c = u_{c'}$  and therefore  $c = c'$ . Then by  $(*)$  we have  $\varphi'^{-1} \varphi(u_c) = u_c$ . So by the choice of  $t_c$ ,  $\varphi'^{-1} \varphi(t_c) = t_c$ . This gives  $\varphi(t_c) = \varphi'(t_c) = \varphi'(t_{c'})$  and therefore  $F$  is a function.

We prove Lemma 3.2 in model  $M_3$ . However, with very little modification the same proof holds in  $M_2$ , and  $M_5$ . Mostowski ([3], p. 236 ff) gives a proof for  $M_1$ .

**LEMMA 3.2.** *If  $x \in M_3$  and  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are supports of  $x$ , then  $E_1 \cap E_2$  is a support of  $x$ .*

**Proof.** Assume the hypotheses and suppose  $\varphi \in \text{fix}(E_1 \cap E_2)$ . The first step is to find a permutation  $\varphi' \in \text{fix}(E_1 \cap E_2)$  such that  $\{u \in U_3 : \varphi'(u) \neq u\}$  is finite and  $\varphi'(u) = \varphi(u)$  for all  $u \in E_1$ . (So that  $\varphi(x) = \varphi'(x)$ .)  $\varphi'$  is obtained as follows: Write  $\varphi$  as a product of disjoint cycles and let  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$  be those cycles which have an element in common with  $E_1$ .  $\varphi'$  will be a product of a finite number of finite disjoint cycles  $C'_1, C'_2, \dots, C'_m$  where

$$C'_i = C_i \quad \text{if } C_i \text{ is finite,}$$

and

$$C'_i = (u_0, u_1, \dots, u_{k-1}, u_k) \quad \text{if } C_i \text{ is infinite,}$$

where  $C_i = (\dots, u_0, u_1, \dots, u_{k-1}, u_k, \dots)$  and all elements common to  $C_i$  and  $E_1$  occur among  $u_0, u_1, \dots, u_k$ .

The next step is to show that there are permutations  $\sigma \in \text{fix}(E_1)$ ,  $\eta \in \text{fix}(E_2)$  and  $\varphi'' \in \text{fix}(E_1 \cup E_2)$  such that  $\varphi' = \sigma^{-1} \eta^{-1} \varphi'' \eta \sigma$  so that we can conclude

$$\varphi(x) = \varphi'(x) = \sigma^{-1} \eta^{-1} \varphi'' \eta \sigma(x) = x$$

and the proof will be complete.  $\sigma, \eta$  and  $\varphi''$  are constructed as follows: Let  $C = \{u : \varphi'(u) \neq u\}$  and let  $A$  and  $B$  be two disjoint subsets of  $U_3$  such that each is disjoint with  $E_1 \cup E_2 \cup C$ ,  $A$  has the same cardinality as  $(E_1 \cup C) - E_2$  and  $B$  has the same cardinality as  $E_2 - E_1$ . (We note here that  $(E_1 \cup C) - E_2$  and  $E_2 - E_1$  are

disjoint.) Let  $f$  be a 1-1 correspondence between  $(E_1 \cup C) - E_2$  and  $A$  and let  $g$  be a 1-1 correspondence between  $E_2 - E_1$  and  $B$ . Then  $\sigma$ ,  $\eta$  and  $\varphi''$  are defined by

$$\eta(u) = \begin{cases} f(u) & \text{if } u \in (E_1 \cup C) - E_2, \\ f^{-1}(u) & \text{if } u \in A, \\ u & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$\sigma(u) = \begin{cases} g(u) & \text{if } u \in E_2 - E_1, \\ g^{-1}(u) & \text{if } u \in B, \\ u & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$\varphi''(u) = \eta\sigma\varphi'\sigma^{-1}\eta^{-1}(u).$$

It can be easily shown that  $\sigma$ ,  $\eta$  and  $\varphi''$  have the required properties. This completes the proof of Lemma 3.2.

Now, considering Figures 1 and 3 again, we see that in order to verify the claims concerning  $M_2$ , it suffices to show:

**THEOREM 3.2.** *In  $M_2$ ,  $MC_{LO}$  is true and  $A$  is false.*

**PROOF.** It is proved in [1], p. 82 that  $A$  is false in  $M_2$ . Hence it remains to prove  $MC_{LO}$  in  $M_2$ .

Suppose  $W$  is a set of pairwise disjoint sets in  $M_2$  each of which can be linearly ordered in  $M_2$ . It is shown in [1] that LW holds in  $M_2$  so we also have that each element of  $W$  can be well-ordered in  $M_2$ . Suppose that  $E$  is a support of  $W$  (i.e.,  $E$  is a finite subset of  $U_2$  such that for every  $\varphi \in \text{fix}(E)$ ,  $\varphi(W) = W$ ). For each  $z \in W$ , let

$$H(z) = \{t: t \text{ is a non-empty finite subset of } z\}.$$

$\text{Fix}(E)$  fixes  $H$ , therefore in view of Lemma 3.1, it suffices to find for each  $z \in W$  an element  $y \in H(z)$  such that

$$(**) \quad (\forall \varphi \in \text{fix}(E))(\varphi(z) = z \rightarrow \varphi(y) = y).$$

Choose  $t \in z$  and let  $y = \{\varphi(t): \varphi \in \text{fix}(E) \text{ and } \varphi(z) = z\}$ . It is clear that  $y$  satisfies (\*\*). We complete the proof by showing that  $y$  is finite.

Each element of  $M_2$  has a minimal support. (This follows from the fact that the intersection of two supports is a support, Lemma 3.2.) Let  $E'$  be the minimal support of  $z$  and  $E''$  the minimal support of  $t$ . We claim  $E'' \subseteq E'$ . For if not, there is some  $a \in E'' - E'$ . Then the set

$$B = \{\varphi(t): \varphi \in \text{fix}((E'' \cup E') - \{a\})\}$$

is a subset of  $z$  and further the set

$$\{\langle \varphi(t), \varphi(a) \rangle: \varphi \in \text{fix}((E'' \cup E') - \{a\})\}$$

is a one to one function in  $M_2$  from  $B$  to  $U_2$ . One can easily show using Lemma 9.5 in [2], p. 137 that  $\{\varphi(a): \varphi \in \text{fix}(E'' \cup E') - \{a\}\}$  cannot be well-ordered in  $M_2$ . Therefore  $B$  cannot be well-ordered in  $M_2$ , hence  $z$  cannot be well-ordered in  $M_2$ . A contradiction which proves the claim.

Since  $E'$  is a minimal support of  $z$ , any  $\varphi \in \text{fix}(E)$  which fixes  $z$  must fix  $E'$ . (Although not necessarily pointwise). Therefore

$$y = \{\varphi(t): \varphi(z) = z \text{ and } \varphi \in \text{fix}(E)\} \subseteq \{\varphi(t): \varphi(E') = E' \text{ and } \varphi \in \text{fix}(E)\}$$

and in view of the fact that  $E'' \subseteq E'$ ,

$$y \subseteq \{\varphi(t): \varphi(E'') \subseteq E' \text{ and } \varphi \in \text{fix}(E)\},$$

and this set is clearly finite since  $E''$  is the least support of  $t$ .

Although it is not necessary for Figure 3, we can also show that  $AC_{LO}^L$  is true in  $M_3$  while  $AC_{LO}$  and  $MC_{LO}^L$  are false. (The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.3.) From these latter results Figure 1 and Theorem 3.2 the truth and falsity of all the statements is determined in  $M_2$ . See Figure 4.

For the claims involving  $M_3$  we need the following theorem:

**THEOREM 3.3.** *In  $M_3$ ,  $A$ ,  $AC_{LO}^L$  and  $MC_{LO}^L$  are true and  $AC_{LO}$  and  $MC_{LO}$  are false.*

**PROOF.** The proof that  $A$  is true in  $M_3$  was given by Halpern in his Ph. D. Thesis 1962. For the proof see for example [2], p. 134 ff.

We now prove  $AC_{LO}^L$  in  $M_3$ . By Lemma 3.2 each element of  $M_3$  has a minimal support. It also follows that if  $x \in M_3$  and  $E$  is a minimal support of  $x$ , then

$$(*) \quad \varphi(x) = x \rightarrow \varphi(E) = E$$

for any  $\varphi \in G_3$ . Further we claim that if

- 1)  $x \in M_3$ ,
- 2)  $x$  can be linearly ordered in  $M_3$ ,
- 3)  $E$  is minimal support of  $x$ ,
- 4)  $E'$  is a minimal support of  $y \in x$ .

Then  $E' \subseteq E$ . The proof of the claim is by contradiction. Suppose  $u \in E' - E$ , then the set of pairs

$$\{\langle \varphi(y), \varphi(u) \rangle: \varphi \in \text{fix}((E' \cup E) - \{u\})\}$$

is a one to one function in  $M_3$ . (By (\*).) Further its domain is a subset of  $x$  (since  $u \notin E$ ) and its range is  $U_3 - ((E' \cup E) - \{u\})$  which cannot be linearly ordered in  $M_3$ .

Now the proof that  $AC_{LO}^L$  holds is as follows: Suppose that  $W$  is a linearly ordered set of linearly orderable sets in  $M_3$ . Suppose  $x \in W$  and  $y \in x$ . Suppose further that  $E$ ,  $E'$  and  $E''$  are minimal supports of  $W$ ,  $x$  and  $y$  respectively. By the claim,  $E'' \subseteq E' \subseteq E$  hence  $\text{fix}(E)$  fixes a well-ordering of  $\cup W$  and therefore a choice function on  $W$ .

The proof of  $MC_{LO}$  in  $M_3$  also makes use of the claim. Suppose  $W$  is a set of linearly orderable sets in  $M_3$ . Let  $E$  be a support of  $W$ . For each  $z \in W$ , let

$$H(z) = \{y: y \subseteq z \text{ and } y \neq \emptyset \text{ and } y \text{ finite}\}.$$

$E$  is also a support of  $H$  and therefore to prove  $MC_{LO}$  using Lemma 3.1 it suffices to find for each  $z \in W$  a  $y \in H(z)$  such that

$$(\forall \varphi \in \text{fix}(E))(\varphi(z) = z \rightarrow \varphi(y) = y).$$



So choose  $z \in W$ , let  $E'$  be a support of  $z$  and let  $x_0 \in z$ . By the claim if  $E''$  is a minimal support of  $x_0$ , then  $E'' \subseteq E'$ . Now let

$$y = \{\varphi(x_0) : \varphi \in \text{fix}(E) \text{ and } \varphi(z) = z\}.$$

By (\*),  $\varphi(z) = z \rightarrow \varphi(E') = E'$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned} y &\subseteq \{\varphi(x_0) : \varphi \in \text{fix}(E) \text{ and } \varphi(E') = E'\} \\ &\subseteq \{\varphi(x_0) : \varphi \in \text{fix}(E) \text{ and } \varphi(E'') \subseteq E'\} \end{aligned}$$

which is finite since  $E''$  is a support of  $x_0$ . So  $y$  is finite and further if  $\psi \in \text{fix}(E)$  and  $\psi(z) = z$ , then  $\psi(y) = y$ . Therefore  $y$  satisfies the required properties and applying Lemma 3.1 gives a function  $F$  with domain  $W$  such that  $F(z)$  is a non-empty finite subset of  $z$  for each  $z \in W$ .

The set of non-empty finite subsets of  $U_3$  provides an example of a set each of whose elements can be linearly ordered but which has no choice function. Therefore  $\text{AC}_{\text{LO}}$  is false in  $M_3$ .

To show that  $\text{MC}^{\text{LO}}$  is false in  $M_3$ , we let  $z_i = \{E : E \subseteq U_3 \text{ and } E \text{ has cardinality } i\}$  and let  $W = \{z_i : i \in \omega\}$ .  $W$  is well-ordered in  $M_3$  and we claim there is no function  $f$  in  $M_3$  such that for all  $i \in \omega$ ,  $f(z_i)$  is a finite subset of  $z_i$ . The existence of such an  $f$  leads to a contradiction when one considers  $f(z_i)$  where  $i$  is chosen to be larger than the cardinal number of a support of  $f$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 3.3.

**THEOREM 3.4.** *In  $M_4$  MC is true and  $\text{AC}_{\text{LO}}^{\text{LO}}$  is false.*

*Proof.* The proof in [2], p. 134 ff shows that MC is true in  $M_4$ .

The set  $\{\{a_i, b_i\} : i \in \omega\}$  provides an example of a linearly ordered set of linearly-orderable sets which has no choice function in  $M_4$ .

**THEOREM 3.5.** *In  $M_5$   $\text{AC}_{\text{LO}}$  is true and  $\text{AC}_{\text{DLO}}$  is false.*

*Proof.* We begin by proving  $\text{AC}_{\text{LO}}$  in  $M_5$ . A set  $E \subseteq U_5$  is said to be a support of  $x \in M_5$  if  $E$  is countable and  $(\forall \varphi \in \text{fix}(E))(\varphi(x) = x)$ .

First we shall show that LW holds in  $M_5$ . Suppose  $X$  is linearly ordered in  $M_5$  and that  $E$  is a support of a linear ordering of  $X$ . We claim that  $E$  is a support for a well-ordering of  $X$ . If not then  $\text{fix}(E)$  does not fix  $X$  pointwise. That is, for some  $y \in X$  and  $\varphi \in \text{fix}(E)$ ,  $\varphi(y) \neq y$ .

Our plan is to show that for some  $\psi \in \text{fix}(E)$ ,  $\psi(y) \neq y$  but  $\psi^2(y) = y$ . (This will contradict the assumption that  $E$  is a support of a linear ordering of  $X$ .) Suppose that  $E'$  is a support of  $y$  where  $E' \supseteq E$ . Let  $C$  be a subset of  $U_5$  of the same cardinality as  $E' - E \neq \emptyset$  such that  $C \cap E' = \emptyset$ . Let  $\psi$  be the permutation of  $U_5$  that interchanges  $C$  and  $E' - E$ . I.e., let  $f$  be a 1-1 function from  $E' - E$  onto  $C$  and define

$$\psi(a) = \begin{cases} f(a) & \text{if } a \in E' - E, \\ f^{-1}(a) & \text{if } a \in C, \\ a & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $\psi^2$  is the identity so  $\psi^2(y) = y$ ,  $\psi \in \text{fix}(E)$  and  $\psi(y) \neq y$ , for if  $\psi(y) = y$ , then  $\psi(E')$  is a support of  $\psi(y)$  and hence a support of  $y$  so by Lemma 3.2,  $\psi(E') \cap \psi(E') = E$  is a support of  $y$ , a contradiction. So LW holds in  $M_5$ .

Now let  $X$  be a linearly ordered set of non-empty sets (in  $M_5$ ). Then  $X$  is well-ordered in  $M_5$ , so we let  $E$  be a support of a well-ordering of  $X$ . Then  $\text{fix}(E)$  fixes  $X$  pointwise. Let  $E'$  be a countable subset of  $U_5$  such that  $E' \supseteq E$  and  $E' - E$  is countably infinite.

*Claim.* For every  $y \in X$ , there is some  $z \in y$  with support  $E'$ . (This will give a choice function in  $M_5$ , for  $X$ .) Choose  $y \in X$  and  $z \in y$ . If  $E'$  is a support of  $z$  then we are done. Otherwise, suppose  $E''$  is a support of  $z$ . Choose a permutation  $\psi \in \text{fix}(E)$  such that  $\psi(E'' - E) \subseteq E' - E$ . Then  $\psi(z) \in y$  and  $\psi(z)$  has support  $\psi(E'') \subseteq E'$ , hence has support  $E'$ . This proves  $\text{AL}^{\text{LO}}$  in  $M_5$ .

To show that  $\text{AC}_{\text{DLO}}$  is false in  $M_5$ , we let

$$W = \{A \times \{R\} : A \subseteq U_5, \bar{A} = \aleph_0, \text{ and } R \text{ is a linear ordering of type } \eta \text{ (the order type of the rationals)}\}.$$

$W$  satisfies the hypothesis of  $\text{AC}_{\text{DLO}}$ . Suppose  $F$  is a choice function on  $W$  and  $E$  is a support of  $F$ . Let  $E'$  be a countably infinite subset of  $U_5$  disjoint from  $E$  and suppose  $R$  is a linear ordering of  $E'$  of type  $\eta$ . Then  $E' \times \{R\} \in W$  so suppose  $F(E' \times \{R\}) = \langle a, R \rangle$ . Let  $\varphi \in \text{fix}(E)$  such that  $\varphi(a) \neq a$  but  $\varphi(E') = E'$  and  $\varphi(R) = R$ . (I.e. shifts the elements of  $E'$  preserving the linear ordering  $R$ .) Then we have the contradiction that  $\varphi(F) = F$ ,  $\varphi(E' \times \{R\}) = E' \times \{R\}$ , but  $\varphi(\langle a, R \rangle) \neq \langle a, R \rangle$ . The proof of Theorem 3.5 is therefore complete.

**THEOREM 3.6.** *In  $M_6$   $A$  is true and  $\text{MC}_{\text{LO}}^{\text{LO}}$  is false.*

*Proof.* To show that  $A$  holds in  $M_6$ , let  $\langle P, < \rangle$  be a partially ordered set in  $M_6$ . Suppose  $\langle P, < \rangle$  is fixed by  $G' \in \Gamma_6$ . Let  $B$  be an antichain maximal among those fixed by  $G'$  and suppose  $B$  is not maximal. Then for some  $x \in P - B$ ,  $B \cup \{x\}$  is an antichain. Further,  $B' = B \cup \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in G'\}$  fails to be an antichain since  $B'$  is fixed by  $G'$  and properly includes  $B$ . There are two ways  $B'$  can fail to be an antichain. Either  $\varphi(x) > y$  (or  $y > \varphi(x)$ ) for some  $\varphi \in G'$  and  $y \in B$  or for some  $\varphi, \psi \in G'$ ,  $\psi(x) > \varphi(x)$ .

The first alternative is impossible since  $\varphi(x) > y$  implies  $x > \varphi^{-1}(y)$  which contradicts the assumption that  $B \cup \{x\}$  is an antichain. ( $y > \varphi(x)$  is treated similarly.) The other alternative is also impossible. To show this we use the property of the model  $M_6$  that each permutation in  $G_6$  permutes at most a finite number of elements. Therefore, for every  $\eta \in G_6$ , there is some  $n \in \omega$  such that  $\eta^n = e$  (the identity permutation on  $U_6$ ).  $\psi(x) > \varphi(x) \rightarrow x > \psi^{-1}\varphi(x)$ . So if we let  $\eta = \psi^{-1}\varphi$  and if we suppose  $\eta^n = e$  we get

$$x > \eta(x) > \eta^2(x) > \dots > \eta^n(x) = x$$

a contradiction. Therefore  $B$  is a maximal antichain and  $A$  is true in  $M_6$ .

$W = \{C_i: i \in \omega\}$  is an example to show that  $MC_{LO}^{LO}$  is false in  $M_6$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 3.6 and therefore the proof of the non-implications given in Figure 3.

To summarize the results of this section we include Figure 4. It shows for each of the models  $M_1$ - $M_6$ , which of our statements are true (T) and which are false (F).

	$M_1$	$M_2$	$M_3$	$M_4$	$M_5$	$M_6$
AC	F	F	F	F	F	F
$AC^{LO}$	F	F	F	F	T	F
MC	F	F	F	T	F	F
$AC_{LO}$	F	F	F	F	F	F
$MC^{LO}$	F	F	F	T	T	F
$AC_{LO}^{LO}$	F	T	T	F	T	F
*A	F	F	T	T	F	T
$MC_{LO}$	F	T	T	T	F	F
$MC_{LO}^{LO}$	F	T	T	T	T	F
$MC_{DLO}$	F	T	T	T	F	T
LW	F	T	T	T	T	T
PW	T	T	T	T	T	T

Fig. 4

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## The hereditary classes of mappings

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**Abstract.** If  $\mathcal{C}$  is an arbitrary class of mappings, then a mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is hereditarily  $\mathcal{C}$  if for each continuum  $K \subset X$  the partial mapping  $f|K$  is in  $\mathcal{C}$ . In the paper we study some properties of hereditarily monotone, hereditarily confluent, hereditarily weakly confluent and hereditarily atriodic mappings (for the definition see § 3). In particular, it is proved that a continuum  $X$  is hereditarily unicoherent if and only if any monotone mapping of  $X$  is hereditarily monotone. We give also other mapping characterizations of some classes of continua. Namely, we prove that a continuum  $X$  is hereditarily indecomposable (atriodic) if and only if any confluent (atriodic) mapping of a continuum onto  $X$  is hereditarily confluent (hereditarily atriodic). Using these results, we characterize hereditarily decomposable snake-like continua and an arc by hereditarily weakly confluent mappings. These results are connected with the problem posed in [12], and imply some partial solutions of this problem.

Further, it is proved that any (irreducible) hereditarily confluent mapping of an arcwise connected continuum (onto a locally connected continuum, respectively) is monotone. We discuss also some invariance properties of the above mappings. In particular, we show that if a continuum  $X$  is hereditarily decomposable, then the hereditary unicoherence of  $X$  as well as the atriodicity of  $X$  is an invariant under hereditarily weakly confluent mappings.

**§ 1. Introduction.** The topological spaces under consideration are assumed to be metric and compact, and the mappings — to be continuous and surjective. A continuum means a compact connected space.

Pseudo-monotone mappings have been introduced in [20], p. 13, by L. E. Ward, Jr. Namely, we call a mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  *pseudo-monotone* if, for each pair of closed connected sets  $A \subset X$  and  $B \subset f(A)$ , some component of  $A \cap f^{-1}(B)$  is mapped by  $f$  onto  $B$ . Simple examples show that the pseudo-monotoneity of  $f$  neither implies nor is implied by its monotoneity. We describe below a monotone mapping which is not pseudo-monotone. This example will be used in further considerations.

(1.1) **EXAMPLE.** There exists a monotone mapping  $f$  of a circle  $S$  onto itself such that  $f$  is not pseudo-monotone.

Let  $(r, \varphi)$  denote a point of the Euclidean plane having  $r$  and  $\varphi$  as its polar coordinates. Take the unit circle  $S = \{(r, \varphi): r = 1 \text{ and } 0 \leq \varphi \leq 2\pi\}$ . We define

$$f(r, \varphi) = \begin{cases} (r, 2\varphi) & \text{if } 0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi, \\ (r, 0) & \text{if } \pi \leq \varphi \leq 2\pi. \end{cases}$$

Observe that a mapping  $f: S \rightarrow S$  is monotone but it is not pseudo-monotone.