

# Seminar Set Theory Handout

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**Definition 1** (Stabilizer). Let  $G$  act on  $V^{(B)}$  (or alternatively  $B$  by thm 3.3). Then for  $x \in V^{(B)}$  the stabilizer of  $x$  is:

$$\text{stab}(x) = \{g \in G \mid gx = x\}$$

**Definition 2** (Filter of subgroups). Let  $G$  be a group. Then  $\Gamma \subseteq \{H \subseteq G \mid H \text{ is a subgroup of } G\}$  is a filter of subgroups of  $G$  if the following two conditions hold:

For all  $H, K \in \Gamma$  the intersection  $H \cap K \in \Gamma$

For all  $H \in \Gamma$ , if  $H \subseteq K$  with  $K$  a subgroup of  $G$ , then  $K \in \Gamma$ .

**Definition 3** (Normal filter of subgroups). If  $\Gamma$  is a filter of subgroups of  $G$ , then  $\Gamma$  is normal if for all  $g \in G, H \in \Gamma$ :  $gHg^{-1} \in \Gamma$ .

**Definition 4** ( $V^{(\Gamma)}$ ). Let  $G$  act on  $B$ , and  $\Gamma$  be a filter of subgroups of  $G$ . Then define the sets  $V_\alpha^{(\Gamma)}$  recursively:

$$V_\alpha^{(\Gamma)} = \{x \mid \text{Fun}(x) \wedge \text{ran}(x) \subseteq B \wedge \text{stab}(x) \in \Gamma \wedge \exists \xi < \alpha [\text{dom}(x) \subseteq V_\xi^{(\Gamma)}]\}$$

Now write:

$$V^{(\Gamma)} = \{x \mid \exists \alpha (x \in V_\alpha^{(\Gamma)})\}$$

We turn  $V^{(\Gamma)}$  into a  $B$ -valued structure by defining for  $u, v \in V^{(\Gamma)}$   $\llbracket u \in v \rrbracket^\Gamma$  and  $\llbracket u = v \rrbracket^\Gamma$  recursively (recursion on  $V_\alpha^{(\Gamma)}$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket u \in v \rrbracket^\Gamma &= \bigvee_{x \in \text{dom}(v)} [v(x) \wedge \llbracket x = u \rrbracket^\Gamma] \\ \llbracket u = v \rrbracket^\Gamma &= \bigwedge_{x \in \text{dom}(u)} [u(x) \Rightarrow \llbracket x \in v \rrbracket^\Gamma] \wedge \bigwedge_{y \in \text{dom}(v)} [v(y) \Rightarrow \llbracket y \in u \rrbracket^\Gamma] \end{aligned}$$

and by defining for  $\mathcal{L}^{(\Gamma)}$ -sentences  $\sigma, \tau$  ( $\mathcal{L}^{(\Gamma)}$  is  $\mathcal{L}^{(B)}$  without constants that are not in  $V^{(\Gamma)}$ ), and  $\phi(x)$  a  $\mathcal{L}^{(\Gamma)}$ -formula.

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket \sigma \wedge \tau \rrbracket^\Gamma &= \llbracket \sigma \rrbracket^\Gamma \wedge \llbracket \tau \rrbracket^\Gamma \\ \llbracket \neg \sigma \rrbracket^\Gamma &= (\llbracket \sigma \rrbracket^\Gamma)^* \\ \llbracket \exists x \phi(x) \rrbracket^\Gamma &= \bigwedge_{u \in v^{(\Gamma)}} \llbracket \phi(u) \rrbracket^\Gamma \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 5** (Lemma 3.14). *For every  $x \in V \hat{x} \in V^{(\Gamma)}$ .*

From now on,  $\Gamma$  is assumed to be a **normal** filter of subgroups of  $G$ .

**Lemma 6** (Lemma 3.15).  *$G$  acts on  $V^{(\Gamma)}$ .*

**Definition 7** (Truth and forcing in  $V^{(\Gamma)}$ ). If  $P$  is a basis for  $B$ , then  $p \in P$   $p$ -forces the  $\mathcal{L}^{(\Gamma)}$ -sentence  $\sigma$  by

$$p \Vdash_\Gamma \sigma \leftrightarrow p \leq \llbracket \sigma \rrbracket^\Gamma$$

Any  $\mathcal{L}^{(\Gamma)}$ -sentence  $\sigma$  is called true in  $V^{(\Gamma)}$  (we write  $V^{(\Gamma)} \models \sigma$ ) if  $\llbracket \sigma \rrbracket^\Gamma = 1$

**Theorem 8** (Theorem 3.18). *Theorem 1.17 (from Bell) holds when  $B$  is replaced by  $\Gamma$ .*

**Theorem 9** (Theorem 3.19). *All the axioms - and hence all the theorems - of ZF are true in  $V^{(\Gamma)}$*