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## Set theoretic properties of Loeb measure <sup>2</sup>

### Abstract

In this paper we ask the question: to what extent do basic set theoretic properties of Loeb measure depend on the nonstandard universe and on properties of the model of set theory in which it lies? We show that assuming Martin's axiom and  $\kappa$ -saturation the smallest cover by Loeb measure zero sets must have cardinality less than  $\kappa$ . In contrast to this we show that the additivity of Loeb measure cannot be greater than  $\omega_1$ . Define  $\text{cof}(H)$  as the smallest cardinality of a family of Loeb measure zero sets which cover every other Loeb measure zero set. We show that  $\text{card}(\lfloor \log_2(H) \rfloor) \leq \text{cof}(H) \leq \text{card}(2^H)$  where  $\text{card}$  is the external cardinality. We answer a question of Paris and Mills concerning cuts in nonstandard models of number theory. We also present a pair of nonstandard universes  $M$  and  $N$  and hyperfinite integer  $H \in M$  such that  $H$  is not enlarged by  $N$ ,  $2^H$  contains new elements, but every new subset of  $H$  has Loeb measure zero. We show that it is consistent that there exists a Sierpiński set in the reals but no Loeb-Sierpiński set in any nonstandard universe. We also show that is consistent with the failure of the continuum hypothesis that Loeb-Sierpiński sets can exist in some nonstandard universes and even in an ultrapower of a standard universe.

Let  $H$  be a hyperfinite set in an  $\omega_1$ -saturated nonstandard universe. Let  $\mu$  be the counting measure on  $H$ , i.e. for any internal subset  $A$  of  $H$  let  $\mu(A)$  be the nonstandard rational:  $\frac{|A|}{|H|}$  where  $|A|$  is the internal cardinality of  $A$ , a hyperinteger. Loeb (1975)[12] showed that the standard part of  $\mu$  has a natural extension to a countably additive measure on the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated

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by the internal subsets of  $H$ . For more background on nonstandard measure theory and its applications, see the survey article Cutland (1983)[3]. References on general properties of Loeb measure and the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the internal sets include Henson (1979)[5][6] and Keisler et. al. (1989)[8].

Some properties of Loeb measure are the following. For every Loeb measurable set  $X$  there exists an internal set  $A \subseteq H$  such that  $(X - A) \cup (A - X)$  has Loeb measure zero. Also every Loeb measure zero set can be covered by one of the form  $\bigcap_{n \in \omega} A_n$  where each  $A_n$  is an internal set of measure less than  $\frac{1}{n+1}$ . It is related to Lebesgue measure on the unit interval  $[0, 1]$ . Identify  $H$  with the time line  $T = \{n\Delta t : n < |H|\}$  where  $\Delta t = \frac{1}{|H|}$ . Let  $st : T \rightarrow [0, 1]$  be the standard part map. Then for any Lebesgue measurable  $Z \subseteq [0, 1]$  the set  $st^{-1}(Z)$  is Loeb measurable with the same measure as  $Z$ .

**Theorem 0.1** *Keisler-Leth (19..)[9] If  $F$  is a family of internal Loeb measure zero subsets of an infinite hyperfinite set  $H$ , the nonstandard universe is  $\kappa$ -saturated, and  $F$  has external cardinality less than  $\kappa$ , then there exists an internal set  $A \subseteq H$  of Loeb measure zero which covers every element of  $F$ .*

proof: Consider the sentences  $\Sigma(A)$ :

$$\{B \subseteq A : B \in F\} \cup \left\{ \frac{|K|}{|H|} < \frac{1}{n+1} : n \in \omega \right\}$$

where  $A$  is a variable. Clearly this set of sentences is finitely satisfiable and has cardinality the same as  $F$ . It follows by  $\kappa$ -saturation that some internal  $A$  satisfies them all simultaneously.

□

Note that this implies that in a  $\kappa$ -saturated universe any external  $X \subseteq H$  of cardinality less than  $\kappa$  has Loeb measure zero.

**Theorem 0.2** *Suppose the universe is  $\omega_1$ -saturated and every set of reals of cardinality  $< \kappa$  has Lebesgue measure zero, then for any infinite hyperfinite set  $H$  and  $X \subseteq H$  of an external cardinality  $< \kappa$ ,  $X$  has Loeb measure zero.*

proof: The standard part map shows this.

□

In this case it may be impossible to cover  $X$  with an internal set of Loeb measure zero.

**Theorem 0.3** *For any  $M$  an  $\omega_1$ -saturated universe and  $H$  an infinite hyperfinite set in  $M$ , there exists any elementary  $\omega_1$ -saturated extension  $N$  of  $M$  which has the property that there exists a family  $\{A_\alpha \subseteq H : \alpha < \omega_1\}$  of internal Loeb measure zero subsets of  $N$  such that for every internal Loeb measure zero  $B \subseteq H$  in  $N$  there exists  $\alpha < \omega_1$  with  $B \subseteq A_\alpha$ .*

proof: Build an elementary chain of  $\omega_1$ -saturated universes  $M_\alpha$  for  $\alpha < \omega_1$ . Use the proof of Theorem 0.1 to get  $A_\alpha \in M_{\alpha+1}$  such that every Loeb measure zero set  $B \in M_\alpha$  is covered by  $A_\alpha$ .

□

By using a simple diagonal argument in a universe given by the last theorem there will be an  $X \subseteq H$  of cardinality  $\omega_1$  which is not covered by any internal Loeb measure zero set. In fact, the set  $X$  will have the property that for every internal Loeb measure zero  $A \subseteq H$ ,  $X \cap A$  is countable. We say that  $X \subseteq H$  is a Loeb-Sierpiński set iff it is uncountable and meets every Loeb measure zero set in a countable set. Thus what we have here is a weak kind of Loeb-Sierpiński set. If  $\text{MA} + \neg\text{CH}$  is true, then every set of reals of cardinality  $\omega_1$  has measure zero. So by Theorem 0.2 this weak Loeb-Sierpiński set would not be a Loeb-Sierpiński set.

Now we ask for the smallest cardinality of a cover of  $H$  by Loeb measure zero sets. Note that since monads  $(st^{-1}\{p\}$  for some  $p \in [0, 1])$  have measure zero,  $H$  can always be covered by continuum many Loeb measure zero sets.  $\text{MA}_\kappa$  stands for the version of Martin's Axiom which says that for any partially ordered set  $\mathbb{P}$  which has the countable chain condition and any family  $\mathcal{D}$  of dense subsets of  $\mathbb{P}$  of cardinality less than  $\kappa$  there exists a  $\mathbb{P}$ -filter  $G$  which meets all the dense sets in  $\mathcal{D}$ .

**Theorem 0.4** *Suppose  $\text{MA}_\kappa$  and the nonstandard universe is  $\kappa$ -saturated, then  $H$  cannot be covered by fewer than  $\kappa$  sets of Loeb measure zero.*

proof: Let  $\mathbb{P}$  be the partial order of all internal subsets of  $H$  of positive Loeb measure ordered by inclusion (where stronger conditions are smaller). Forcing with  $\mathbb{P}$  is the same as using the measure algebra formed by taking the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the internal subsets of  $H$  and dividing out by the Loeb measure zero sets. It has the countable chain condition because it is impossible to find  $n + 1$  sets of measure greater than  $\frac{1}{n}$  which have pairwise intersections of measure zero.

For  $\lambda < \kappa$  let  $\{\bigcap_{n \in \omega} K_n^\alpha : \alpha < \lambda\}$  be a family of  $\lambda$  many Loeb measure zero sets where each  $K_n^\alpha$  is an internal subset of  $H$  of Loeb measure less than  $\frac{1}{n+1}$ . For each  $\alpha$  define a dense  $D_\alpha \subseteq \mathbb{P}$  by

$$D_\alpha = \{b \in \mathbb{P} : \exists n \ b \cap K_n^\alpha = \emptyset\}$$

Using  $\text{MA}_\kappa$  let  $G$  be a  $\mathbb{P}$ -filter meeting every  $D_\alpha$  for  $\alpha < \lambda$ . For each  $\alpha$  let  $n_\alpha$  be such that  $(H - K_{n_\alpha}^\alpha) \in G$ . Consider the family of sentences  $\Sigma(x)$ :

$$\{x \in (H - K_{n_\alpha}^\alpha) : \alpha < \lambda\}$$

Since  $G$  is a  $\mathbb{P}$ -filter this family of sentences is finitely satisfiable. Hence by  $\kappa$ -saturation some internal  $x \in H$  satisfies them all. But this shows that the family of Loeb measure zero sets did not cover  $H$ .

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This partial order was also used in Kaufmann and Schmerl (1987)[10]. Next we consider the additivity of Loeb measure. Here we show that it is always as small as possible.

**Theorem 0.5** *For any infinite hyperfinite  $H$  in an  $\omega_1$ -saturated universe there exists a family of  $\omega_1$  Loeb measure zero sets whose union does not have measure zero.*

proof: Without loss of generality we may assume  $H = 2^K$  for some internal hyperinteger  $K$ , since  $H$  may be replaced by its internal cardinality and for some hyperinteger  $K$  we have  $2^K \leq H \leq 2^{K+1}$  and  $2^K$  has Loeb measure at least  $1/2$  in  $H$ . Suppose  $\Sigma \in [K]^\omega$  where  $[K]^\omega$  is the infinite countable subsets of  $K$  and let  $\Sigma = \{\alpha_n : n \in \omega\}$ . For each  $n \in \omega$  define

$$H_n = \{h \in 2^K : h(\alpha_0) = h(\alpha_1) = \dots = h(\alpha_{n-1}) = 0\}$$

Then each  $H_n$  is an internal set of measure  $\frac{1}{2^n}$ .

**Lemma 0.6** *If  $A$  is an internal set and  $\bigcap_{n \in \omega} H_n \subseteq A$ , then there exists  $n \in \omega$  such that  $H_n \subseteq A$ .*

This follows from the fact that the  $H_n$  are a descending sequence and the universe is  $\omega_1$ -saturated.

□

Let  $\Sigma_\beta \in [K]^\omega$  for  $\beta < \omega_1$  be a family of disjoint countable subsets of  $K$ . Let  $H_n^\beta$  be defined as  $H_n$  was but using  $\Sigma_\beta$  instead of  $\Sigma$ . Define  $A_\beta = \bigcap_{n \in \omega} H_n^\beta$ .

So each  $A_\beta$  has Loeb measure zero. We show that the union  $\cup_{\beta < \omega_1} A_\beta$  cannot have Loeb measure zero. Suppose  $A$  is an internal set and

$$\cup_{\beta < \omega_1} A_\beta \subseteq A$$

By the Lemma there exists  $n \in \omega$  and  $\{\beta_m : m \in \omega\} \in [\omega_1]^\omega$  such that for every  $m \in \omega$   $H_n^{\beta_m} \subseteq A$ . Let  $K_m = H_n^{\beta_m}$ . Note that each  $K_m$  for  $m \in \omega$  has Loeb measure  $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2^n}$  and they are independent, i.e. for any  $m_1 < m_2 < \dots < m_k < \omega$  the Loeb measure of

$$K_{m_1} \cap K_{m_2} \cap \dots \cap K_{m_k}$$

is  $\epsilon^k$ . Consequently  $\cup_{m \in \omega} K_m$  has Loeb measure one (since the measure of  $\cap_{m < N} (H - K_m)$  is  $(1 - \epsilon)^N$  and  $(1 - \epsilon)^N \rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ). Consequently the Loeb measure of  $A$  is one and the theorem is proved.

□

The last cardinal associated with Loeb measure we will consider is the cofinality,  $\text{cof}(H)$ . This is the smallest cardinality of a family  $F$  of Loeb measure zero sets such every Loeb measure zero set is covered by a member of the family  $F$ .

**Theorem 0.7** *Let  $\text{card}$  be the external cardinality function and  $H$  an infinite hyperinteger in some  $\omega_1$ -saturated universe, then*

$$\text{card}(\lfloor \log_2(H) \rfloor) \leq \text{cof}(H) \leq \text{card}(2^H)$$

proof: The first inequality is proved by a similar argument to the proof of the last theorem. Let the hyperfinite integer  $K = \lfloor \log_2(H) \rfloor$  so  $2^K \leq H \leq 2^{K+1}$ . Let  $\{\Sigma_\alpha : \alpha < \text{card}(K)\}$  be disjoint countable subsets of  $K$  and define  $A_\alpha \subseteq H$  as above. The argument above shows that no Loeb measure zero set covers uncountably many of the  $A_\alpha$ , hence  $\text{card}(K) \leq \text{cof}(H)$ .

The second inequality follows from the fact that every Loeb measure zero set is covered by a Loeb measure zero set in the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the internal subsets of  $H$  and the following result of Shelah (1970)[17]: if  $L$  is an infinite hyperfinite set in an  $\omega_1$ -saturated universe and  $\kappa = \text{card}(L)$ , then  $\kappa^\omega = \kappa$  (take  $L = 2^H$  the number of internal subsets of  $H$ ).

□

In Keisler (1967)[7] it is shown under GCH that for any set of infinite successor cardinals  $C$  there exists a nonstandard universe  $M$  in which

$$C = \{\text{card}(H) : H \text{ is a hyperfinite set in } M\}$$

For finite  $C$  the nonstandard universe  $M$  can be an ultrapower of a standard universe.

In Shelah (1975)[16] it is shown that for any countable theory  $T$  with distinguished unary predicates  $Q$  and  $P$ , if for every  $n < \omega$   $T$  has a model  $M$  such that  $n^n \leq |Q^M|^n \leq |P^M| < \omega$ , then  $T$  has a model  $M$  where  $|Q^M| = \omega$  and  $|P^M| = 2^\omega$ . Taking  $T$  to be any theory containing arithmetic and  $Q$  to be  $n^2$  and  $P$  to be  $2^{n^2}$  we see that there is a nonstandard universe with a hyperinteger  $H$  where  $\text{card}(H) = \omega$  and  $\text{card}(2^H) = 2^\omega$ . It follows from Chang's two cardinal theorem and its proof that assuming the continuum hypothesis there is an  $\omega_1$ -saturated nonstandard universe with a hyperinteger  $H$  where  $\text{card}(H) = \omega_1$  and  $\text{card}(2^H) = \omega_2$ .

This result was also proved by Paris and Mills (1979)[15] using a method similar to the MacDowell-Specker theorem. For any infinite cardinal  $\kappa$  and nonstandard universe  $M$  let

$$I_\kappa^M = \{H : \text{card}(H) \leq \kappa \text{ and } H \text{ an integer of } M\}$$

Since  $H^2$  has the same internal cardinality as the cartesian product  $H \times H$  which has the same external cardinality as  $H$  for infinite  $H$  it is clear that  $I_\kappa^M$  must be closed under multiplication. Paris and Mills show this is sufficient by showing: If  $M$  is any countable nonstandard universe and  $I$  is a proper initial segment of the integers of  $M$  closed under multiplication, then there exists an elementary extension  $N$  of  $M$  in which  $I_\omega^N = I$  and every integer  $H$  of  $N$  not in  $I$  has cardinality  $2^\omega$ . The following theorem answers a question raised by Paris and Mills concerning cuts in nonstandard models of number theory.

**Theorem 0.8** *Assume the continuum hypothesis. Then there exists an  $\omega_1$ -saturated universe  $N$  with a hyperinteger  $H$  which has external cardinality  $\omega_1$  but every integer greater than  $H^n$  for all  $n < \omega$  has cardinality  $\omega_2$ .*

proof: Let  $M$  be any  $\omega_1$ -saturated universe of cardinality  $\omega_1$  and let  $H$  be any infinite hyperinteger of  $M$ . Let

$$I = \{K \text{ a hyperinteger of } M : \exists n \in \omega K < H^n\}$$

and let  $J$  be the complement of  $I$  (with respect to the hyperintegers of  $M$ ). We construct a sequence  $\langle X_\alpha : \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  of elements of  $M$  such each  $X_\alpha$  is a hyperfinite set of hyperintegers of  $M$  such that

- the internal cardinality of  $X_\alpha$  is an element of  $J$
- if  $\alpha < \beta$  then  $X_\beta \subseteq X_\alpha$
- for any set  $X$  in  $M$  there exists an  $\alpha$  such that either  $X_\alpha \subseteq X$  or  $X_\alpha$  is disjoint from  $X$
- for any  $\alpha$  and function  $f$  in  $M$  whose domain includes  $X_\alpha$  there exists a  $\beta \geq \alpha$  such that  $f \upharpoonright X_\beta$  is either one-to-one or constant
- for any  $d \in J$  some  $X_\alpha$  has internal cardinality less than  $d$

Note that since  $M$  is  $\omega_1$ -saturated and the cofinality of  $I$  is  $\omega$  the coinitality of  $J$  is  $\omega_1$ , i.e. for any countable set  $B \subseteq J$  there exists  $c \in J$  such that for every  $b \in B$  we have  $c < b$ . To obtain  $X_\lambda$  for  $\lambda < \omega_1$  a limit ordinal, first find  $b \in J$  such that for every  $\alpha < \lambda$  the internal cardinality of  $X_\alpha$  is greater than  $b$ . Now use  $\omega_1$ -saturation to find  $X_\lambda$  of internal cardinality greater than  $b$  and for all  $\alpha < \lambda$   $X_\lambda \subseteq X_\alpha$ . To make functions one-to-one or constant use the following lemma.

**Lemma 0.9** *Suppose  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is an onto function in  $M$  such that the internal cardinality of  $X$  is in  $J$ , then there exists an internal set  $X' \subseteq X$  with internal cardinality in  $J$  and  $f \upharpoonright X'$  is either one-to-one or constant.*

proof: Note that  $X = \bigcup_{y \in Y} f^{-1}(y)$ . If some  $f^{-1}(y)$  has internal cardinality  $b \in J$ , then let  $X' = f^{-1}(y)$  and hence  $f \upharpoonright X'$  is constant. Otherwise (since internally  $f$  is a finite function and the maximum of a hyperfinite set of integers is always achieved) there exists  $c \in I$  such that for every  $y \in Y$  the internal cardinality of  $f^{-1}(y)$  is less than  $c$ . Since  $I$  is closed under multiplication, it follows that the internal cardinality of  $Y$  is in  $J$ . In  $M$  choose a set  $X' \subseteq X$  such that  $f$  maps  $X'$  one-to-one onto  $Y$  and hence the internal cardinality of  $X'$  is in  $J$ .

□

This ends the construction of the sequence  $\langle X_\alpha : \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$ . Let  $c$  be a new constant symbol and let  $T$  be the theory which consists of the elementary diagram of  $M$  plus all statements of the form “ $c \in X_\alpha$ ” for  $\alpha < \omega_1$ . Let  $M_1$  be any model of  $T$  which is an elementary superstructure of  $M$  and let  $M_0$  be the set of all  $f^{M_1}(c)$  such that  $f \in M$  is a function whose domain contains some  $X_\alpha$ .

**Claim:** For any formula  $\psi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  and  $\vec{f} = \langle f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \rangle$  a sequence of functions from  $M$

$$M_1 \models \psi(\vec{f}(c)) \text{ iff } \exists \alpha < \omega_1 \forall b \in X_\alpha M \models \psi(\vec{f}(b))$$

This is proved just like Los's theorem.

**Claim:**  $M$  is an elementary substructure of  $M_0$ .

We have that  $M \subseteq M_0$  because of the constant functions in  $M$ . So it is enough to note that  $M_0$  is an elementary substructure of  $M_1$ . This follows from the Tarski-Vaught criterion. Suppose

$$M_1 \models \exists x \theta(x, f_1(c), \dots, f_n(c))$$

then there must be some  $X_\alpha$  contained in the domain of each  $f_i$  such that

$$M \models \forall b \in X_\alpha \exists x \theta(x, f_1(b), \dots, f_n(b))$$

In  $M$  find  $g$  with domain  $X_\alpha$  such that

$$M \models \forall b \in X_\alpha \theta(g(b), f_1(b), \dots, f_n(b))$$

and hence

$$M_1 \models \theta(g(c), f_1(c), \dots, f_n(c))$$

It follows that  $M$  is an elementary substructure of  $M_0$ .

**Claim:** If  $a \in I$  and  $b \in M_0$  with  $b < a$  then  $b \in M$ , i.e. the initial segment of the hyperintegers of  $M_0$  determined by  $I$  is not enlarged.

To see this let  $f(c) = b$  for some  $f \in M$  and let  $X_\alpha$  be contained in the domain of  $f$  have the property that for every  $x \in X_\alpha$  we have  $f(x) < a$ . By our construction we may assume that  $f \upharpoonright X_\alpha$  is one-to-one or constant. However it cannot be one-to-one since the internal cardinality of  $X_\alpha$  is in  $J$  and  $a$  is in  $I$ , so it must be constant. Hence this constant must be in  $M$  and therefore in  $I$ .

**Claim:** for every  $d \in J$  there exists  $b \in M_0 - M$  with  $b < d$ , i.e. there are arbitrarily small new elements of  $J$ .

Some  $X_\alpha$  has internal cardinality less than  $d$ . Let  $f \in M$  be a one-to-one function from  $X_\alpha$  into  $d$ . Clearly  $f^{M_0}(c) < d$ .  $f^{M_0}(c)$  must be new because for any  $b \in M$  it must be true that some  $X_\beta \subseteq (X_\alpha - f^{-1}(b))$ . It is also true that no new element of  $M_0$  is beneath every element of  $J$ .



**Claim:**  $M_0$  is an  $\omega_1$ -saturated model of cardinality  $\omega_1$ .

Clearly  $M_0$  has cardinality  $\omega_1$ , so it is enough to check that it is  $\omega_1$ -saturated. So let  $\Sigma(x) = \{\theta_n(x, f_n(c)) : n \in \omega\}$  be a finitely realizable type in  $M_0$ . We may assume parameters are singletons since  $n$ -tuples are elements of our universe. Let  $\alpha$  be sufficiently large so that  $X_\alpha$  is a subset of the domain of  $f_n$  for every  $n < \omega$ . Since  $\Sigma(x)$  is finitely realizable we can also choose  $\alpha$  large enough so that for every  $n \in \omega$

$$M \models \forall b \in X_\alpha \exists x \bigwedge_{m < n} \theta_m(x, f_m(b))$$

Consider the following type  $\Gamma(g)$  with variable  $g$  over  $M$ .  $\Gamma(g)$  contains the sentence “ $g$  is a function with domain  $X_\alpha$ ” and for each  $n \in \omega$  the sentence  $\forall b \in X_\alpha \theta_m(g(b), f_n(b))$ . Since the type  $\Gamma(g)$  is finitely realizable in  $M$  and  $M$  is  $\omega_1$ -saturated some function  $g$  in  $M$  realizes it and so  $g(c)$  realizes  $\Sigma(x)$  in  $M_0$ . (Kotlarski (1983)[11] shows that every simple cofinal extension of an  $\omega_1$ -saturated model is  $\omega_1$ -saturated.)

Now we prove Theorem 0.8. This is proved similarly to the standard proof of Chang’s two cardinal Theorem (see Chang and Keisler (1973)[2] Theorem 7.2.7 p.438). If  $M$  is an elementary substructure of  $N$  let

$$I^N = \{b \text{ a hyperinteger of } N : \exists a \in I \ b < a\}$$

Construct an elementary chain of models  $N_\alpha$  for  $\alpha < \omega_2$  such that  $N_0 = M$ , each  $N_\alpha$  is isomorphic  $M$ , and  $I^{N_\alpha} = I$ .

For successor steps to obtain  $N_{\alpha+1}$  just use the pair  $M, M_0$ . So the only thing to do is the step for  $\lambda$  a limit ordinal. Letting  $N$  be the union of  $N_\alpha$  for  $\alpha < \lambda$  and  $I^N$  be the initial segment of  $N$  determined by  $I$  we need to see that  $N$  can be embedded into  $M$  in such a way that  $I^N$  is mapped onto  $I$ . This is done by showing that  $N$  (while not necessarily  $\omega_1$ -saturated) is  $\omega_1$ -saturated for types realizable in  $I^N$ :

**Claim:** Any countable finitely realizable type  $\Sigma(x)$  over  $N$ , which contains for some  $b \in I^N$  the formula  $x < b$ , is realized in  $N$ .

Let  $\Sigma(x) = \{\theta_n(x, a_n) : n \in \omega\}$ . Choose a sequence  $\langle b_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  from  $N$  such that for each  $n \in \omega$   $b_n < b$  and for  $m < n$   $N \models \theta_m(b_n, a_m)$ . Since  $I^N = I^{N_0}$  and  $N_0$  is  $\omega_1$ -saturated, there exists an internal sequence  $\langle b_n : n \in K \rangle$  for an infinite hyperinteger  $K$  in  $N_0$  which is an extension of  $\langle b_n : n \in \omega \rangle$ . Since  $N_0$  is substructure of  $N$  we have that  $\langle b_n : n \in K \rangle \in N$ . Working in  $N$  for

each  $n \in \omega$  let  $K_n$  be the least  $m < K$  (if any) such that  $N \models \neg\theta_n(b_m, a_n)$ . By construction each  $K_n$  is an infinite integer of  $N$ . Since the  $I^N = I^{N_0}$  the coinitality of the nonstandard integers of  $N$  must be  $\omega_1$  and so there exists some hyperfinite  $L$  in  $N$  less than all  $K_n$  for  $n \in \omega$ . It follows that  $b_L$  realizes  $\Sigma(x)$ .

$N_\lambda$  is now obtained by a back-and-forth argument starting with taking  $H$  to itself where  $I = \{b : \exists n \in \omega \ b < H^n\}$ . This concludes the proof of Theorem 0.8.

□

I do not know what either  $\text{cof}(H)$  or  $\text{cof}(2^H)$  are in this model. This argument needs only that the coinitality of  $J$  is  $\omega_1$ . I do not know how to do it if the coinitality of  $J$  is  $\omega$ , as for example in the proof of Theorem 0.10. The result easily generalizes to  $(\kappa, \kappa^+)$  in place of  $(\omega_1, \omega_2)$  if  $\kappa^{<\kappa} = \kappa$ .

This technique can also be used to prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 0.10** *Let  $M$  be a countable nonstandard universe and  $H$  an infinite hyperinteger in  $M$ . Then there exists an elementary extension  $N$  of  $M$  such that there exists new subsets of  $H$ , i.e.  $X \subseteq H$  with  $X \in (N - M)$  but every new  $X \subseteq H$  has nonzero Loeb measure, i.e. if  $X \in N$  and  $\frac{|X|}{H}$  is infinitesimal, then  $X \in M$ , i.e. the internal Loeb measure zero sets are the same in  $M$  and  $N$ .*

proof: Let  $J = \{K \text{ a hyperinteger of } M : \exists n \in \omega \ K > 2^{\frac{H}{n}}\}$  and let  $I$  be the complement of  $J$  in the hyperintegers of  $M$ . Similar to the last proof construct an  $\omega$ -sequence  $\langle X_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  of hyperfinite sets of integers in  $M$  such that

- the internal cardinality of each  $X_n$  is an element of  $J$
- if  $n < m$ , then  $X_m \subseteq X_n$
- for any set  $X$  in  $M$  there exists an  $n$  such that either  $X_n \subseteq X$  or  $X_n$  is disjoint from  $X$
- for any  $n$  and function  $f$  in  $M$  whose domain includes  $X_n$  there exists an  $m > n$  such that  $f \upharpoonright X_m$  is either one-to-one or constant
- for any  $d \in J$  some  $X_n$  has internal cardinality less than  $d$  (of course this will automatically be true if we take  $X_0 = 2^H$ )

Let  $c$  be a new constant symbol and let  $T$  be the theory which consists of the elementary diagram of  $M$  plus all statements of the form “ $c \in X_n$ ” for  $n < \omega$ . Let  $M_1$  be any model of  $T$  which is an elementary superstructure of  $M$  and let  $N$  be the set of all  $f^{M_1}(c)$  such that  $f \in M$  is a function whose domain contains some  $X_n$  for  $n < \omega$ . The following set of claims also go thru:

**Claim:** For any formula  $\psi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  and  $\vec{f} = \langle f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \rangle$  a sequence of functions from  $M$

$$M_1 \models \psi(\vec{f}(c)) \text{ iff } \exists n < \omega \forall b \in X_n \ M \models \psi(\vec{f}(b))$$

**Claim:**  $M$  is an elementary substructure of  $N$ .

**Claim:** If  $a \in I$  and  $b \in N$  with  $b < a$  then  $b \in M$ , i.e. the initial segment of  $N$  determined by  $I$  is not enlarged.

**Claim:** for every  $d \in J$  there exists  $b \in N - M$  with  $b < d$ , i.e. there are arbitrarily small new elements of  $J$ .

It remains only to show that if  $X \subseteq H$  in  $N$  has the property that  $\frac{|X|}{H}$  is infinitesimal, then  $X \in M$ . To do that we need the following claim from nonstandard calculus:

**Claim:** Suppose  $K < H$  are infinite hyperintegers and  $\frac{K}{H} \approx 0$ , then

$$\binom{H}{K}^{\frac{1}{H}} \approx 1$$

i.e. if  $\frac{K}{H}$  is infinitesimal, then the  $H^{\text{th}}$  root of the number of subsets of  $H$  of size  $K$  is infinitesimally close to 1.

We will use Stirling's approximation for  $n!$

$$n! = \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n \sqrt{2\pi n} (1 + \epsilon_n)$$

where  $\epsilon_n \approx 0$  if  $n$  is infinite. Since  $H, K$ , and  $H - K$  are all infinite we get that

$$\binom{H}{K} = \frac{H!}{(H-K)!K!} = \frac{H^H}{K^K(H-K)^{H-K}} \left(\frac{H}{K(H-K)}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

where  $x \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$ . For any positive finite but not infinitesimal real number  $x$  we have that  $x^{\frac{1}{H}} \approx 1$ . Consequently we need only show:

$$\left( \frac{H^H}{K^K (H-K)^{H-K}} \left( \frac{H}{K(H-K)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{H}} \approx 1$$

Calculating this let  $\epsilon = \frac{K}{H}$  so that  $K = \epsilon H$  and  $\frac{1}{H} < \epsilon \approx 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{H^H}{K^K (H-K)^{H-K}} \left( \frac{H}{K(H-K)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{H}} \\ &= \frac{H}{K^{K/H} (H-K)^{1-K/H}} \left( \frac{H}{K(H-K)} \right)^{\frac{1}{(2H)}} \\ &= \frac{H}{(\epsilon H)^\epsilon (H-\epsilon H)^{(1-\epsilon)}} \left( \frac{H}{\epsilon H (H-\epsilon H)} \right)^{\frac{1}{(2H)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\epsilon^\epsilon (1-\epsilon)^{(1-\epsilon)}} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon(1-\epsilon)H} \right)^{1/(2H)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\epsilon^\epsilon (1-\epsilon)^{(1-\epsilon)}} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon^{1/H} (1-\epsilon)^{1/H}} \left( \frac{1}{H} \right)^{1/H} \right)^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\epsilon \approx 0$  we have  $(1-\epsilon)^{(1-\epsilon)} \approx 1$ , and  $(1-\epsilon)^{1/H} \approx 1$ . Using L'Hopital's rule it easy to check that for any positive infinitesimal  $\delta$  that  $\delta^\delta \approx 1$ , hence  $\epsilon^\epsilon \approx 1$ ,  $(\frac{1}{H})^{1/H} \approx 1$ , and since  $\frac{1}{H} < \epsilon < 1$  we have that

$$1 \approx (1/H)^{1/H} < \epsilon^{1/H} < 1$$

and so  $\epsilon^{1/H} \approx 1$ . This proves the Claim.

Now we prove the theorem. Suppose  $X \subseteq H$  is in  $N$  but not  $M$ , and suppose  $X = f^{M_1}(c)$  where  $f$  is a function from  $M$  whose domain includes  $X_n$ . Clearly  $f$  cannot be constant so we may assume it is a one-to-one map from  $X_n$  to the (internal) set of all subsets of  $H$ . Working in  $M$  define the function  $g : X_n \rightarrow H$  by letting  $g(x)$  be the internal cardinality of  $f(x)$ . As  $H$  is in  $I$  the function  $g$  cannot be made one-to-one and hence for some  $m \geq n$ ,  $g \upharpoonright X_m$  is constantly equal to some hyperinteger  $K$ . Since the internal

cardinality of  $X$  is  $K$  and  $X$  is new, clearly  $K$  must be infinite. If  $\frac{K}{H}$  is not infinitesimal, then we are done. So assume that  $\frac{K}{H} \approx 0$ . By our last claim we have that for any  $n < \omega$

$$\left( \frac{H}{K} \right)^{\frac{1}{H}} < 2^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

so that for any  $n < \omega$

$$\left( \frac{H}{K} \right) < 2^{\frac{H}{n}}$$

It follows that  $\left( \frac{H}{K} \right)$  is in  $I$ . This contradicts the fact that the range of  $f$  on  $X_m$  must have internal cardinality the same as  $X_m$ , an element of  $J$ .

□

A set of real numbers  $X$  is a Sierpiński set iff it is uncountable but meets every measure zero set in a countable set. Keisler-Leth (19..)[9] have introduced the analogous notion of a Loeb-Sierpiński set. A set  $X \subseteq H$  is a Loeb-Sierpiński set iff it is uncountable but meets every Loeb measure zero set in a countable set.

Keisler and Leth have proved that in an  $\omega_1$ -saturated universe in which the external cardinality of  $2^H$  is  $\omega_1$  there exists a Loeb-Sierpiński set  $X \subseteq H$ . Such a universe can exist iff the continuum hypothesis holds. They also note that the standard part map takes a Loeb-Sierpiński set to a Sierpiński set in the reals. Note that by Theorem 0.1 if there is a Loeb-Sierpiński set in a nonstandard universe that universe cannot be  $\omega_2$ -saturated.

For any cardinal  $\kappa$  let  $\mu_\kappa$  be the product measure on  $2^\kappa$ . This measure is determined by: for any  $F \in [\kappa]^{<\omega}$  and  $s : F \rightarrow 2$

$$\mu_\kappa(\{x \in 2^\kappa : s \subseteq x\}) = \frac{1}{2^{|F|}}$$

We define  $X \subseteq 2^\kappa$  is a  $\mu_\kappa$ -Sierpiński set iff  $X$  is uncountable but meets every  $\mu_\kappa$  measure zero set in a countable set. We begin by establishing a relation between Loeb-Sierpiński sets and Sierpiński sets in  $2^\kappa$ .

**Theorem 0.11** *If there exists a Loeb-Sierpiński set  $X \subseteq H$  in some  $\omega_1$ -saturated universe and infinite cardinal  $\kappa \leq \text{card}(\lceil \log_2(H) \rceil)$  (where  $\text{card}$  is the external cardinality), then there exists an  $\mu_\kappa$ -Sierpiński set in  $2^\kappa$ .*

proof: Let  $K = \lceil \log_2(H) \rceil$ , so that  $K$  is a hyperinteger satisfying  $2^{K-1} \leq H \leq 2^K$ . Since  $H$  has measure at least half in  $2^K$  a Loeb-Sierpiński set in  $H$  is also Loeb-Sierpiński set in  $2^K$ . Without loss of generality we may assume  $H = 2^K$ . Let  $\{x_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa\} \subseteq K$  be distinct and define  $\rho : H \rightarrow 2^\kappa$  by  $\rho(h)(\alpha) = h(x_\alpha)$ , where we identify  $2^K$  with internal maps from  $K$  into  $2 = \{0, 1\}$ . Note that for any  $\alpha < \kappa$  and  $i = 0$  or  $1$

$$\rho^{-1}(\{x \in 2^\kappa : x(\alpha) = i\}) = \{h \in 2^K : h(x_\alpha) = i\}$$

which is an internal set of Loeb measure  $1/2$ .

**Claim:** If  $Y \subseteq 2^\kappa$  has  $\mu_\kappa$  measure zero, then  $\rho^{-1}(Y)$  has Loeb measure zero.

Suppose  $Y \subseteq \bigcap_{n < \omega} Y_n$  where  $Y_n = \bigcup_{t \in X_n} [t_n]$ , each  $t \in X_n$  is a finite partial function from  $\kappa$  to  $2$ ,  $[t] = \{x \in 2^\kappa : t \subseteq x\}$  with  $\mu_\kappa([t]) = 1/2^{|t|}$ , each  $X_n$  countable, and  $\sum_{t \in X_n} \mu_\kappa([t]) < 1/n$ . But then  $\rho^{-1}(Y) \subseteq \rho^{-1}(Y_n)$  and  $\rho^{-1}(Y_n) = \bigcup_{t \in X_n} \rho^{-1}([t])$ . Since each  $\rho^{-1}([t])$  is an internal set with Loeb measure  $\mu_\kappa([t])$ , it follows that the Loeb measure of  $\rho^{-1}(Y_n) < 1/n$ . This proves the claim.

Hence if  $X \subseteq H$  is a Loeb-Sierpiński set, then  $\rho''X \subseteq 2^\kappa$  is a  $\mu_\kappa$ -Sierpiński set.

□

**Theorem 0.12** *Suppose  $\text{card}(\lceil \log_2(H) \rceil) > 2^{\omega_1}$ , then there cannot be a Loeb-Sierpiński set in  $H$ .*

proof: It suffices to show there cannot be a  $\mu_\kappa$ -Sierpiński set for  $\kappa = (2^{\omega_1})^+$ . Suppose for contradiction that  $X = \{x_\alpha \in 2^\kappa : \alpha < \omega_1\}$  is a  $\mu_\kappa$ -Sierpiński set and let  $\{y_\beta \in 2^{\omega_1} : \beta < \kappa\}$  be defined by  $y_\beta(\alpha) = x_\alpha(\beta)$ . Since  $\kappa = (2^{\omega_1})^+$  there exists  $A \in [\kappa]^\omega$  and  $y \in 2^{\omega_1}$  such that for all  $\alpha \in A$  we have  $y_\alpha = y$ . Choose  $B \in [\omega_1]^{\omega_1}$  and  $i \in \{0, 1\}$  such that  $y \upharpoonright B$  is constantly  $i$ . It follows that for all  $\alpha \in A$  that  $x_\alpha \upharpoonright B$  is constantly equal to  $i$ , however the set

$$\{x \in 2^\kappa : x \upharpoonright B = i\}$$

has measure zero.

□

**Theorem 0.13** *It is consistent with ZFC that there exists a Sierpiński set in  $2^\omega$ , but no Loeb-Sierpiński set in any  $\omega_1$ -saturated nonstandard universe.*

It suffices to find a model of set theory which contains a Sierpiński set, but does not contain a  $\mu_c$ -Sierpiński set where  $c$  is the cardinality of the continuum. The model is obtained as follows. Let  $M$  be a countable standard model of ZFC+GCH and let  $\kappa = \aleph_\omega^M$  and let  $\mathbb{B}_\kappa$  be the measure algebra on  $2^\kappa$ , i.e. the complete boolean algebra of Borel subsets of  $2^\kappa$  modulo the  $\mu_\kappa$ -measure zero sets. Let  $G$  be  $\mathbb{B}_\kappa$  generic over  $M$ . Then

$$M[G] \models \text{There is a Sierpiński set in } 2^\omega \text{ but none in } 2^c$$

We need only show there is no Sierpiński set in  $2^c$ . The argument will be similar to one found in Miller (1982)[14]. We will use the following Lemma of Kunen from that paper:

**Lemma 0.14** (Kunen) *Suppose  $B_i \subseteq X$  for  $i < n$  are  $\mu$ -measurable sets with  $\mu(B_i) \geq 3/4$ , then*

$$\mu \left( \left\{ r \in X : |\{i < n : r \in B_i\}| \geq \frac{5}{8}n \right\} \right) \geq 1/3$$

For any sentence  $\theta$  in the forcing language let  $[\theta]$  be the boolean value of  $\theta$ , i.e.  $[\theta] = \Sigma \{b \in \mathbb{B}_\kappa : b \Vdash \theta\}$

**Lemma 0.15** *Suppose  $f \in (2^{\omega_1})^{M[G]}$ , then  $\exists n < \omega \exists g \in M[G_n]$  such that  $\text{domain}(g) \in ([\omega_1]^{\omega_1})^M$  and  $\forall \alpha \in \text{domain}(g) \mu_\kappa([\![f(\alpha) = g(\alpha)]\!] ) \geq 3/4$ .*

proof: Working in  $M$  for each  $\alpha < \omega_1$  let  $C_\alpha \subseteq 2^\kappa$  be a clopen set such that  $\mu_\kappa([\![f(\alpha) = 1]\!] \Delta C_\alpha) \leq 1/4$ , where  $\Delta$  denotes symmetric difference. Since  $C_\alpha$  is clopen there exists  $F_\alpha \in [\kappa]^{<\omega}$  and  $T_\alpha \subseteq 2^{F_\alpha}$  such that  $C_\alpha = \bigcup_{t \in T_\alpha} [t]$ , i.e. a finite union of cylinders over finitely many coordinates. Since  $\kappa = \bigcup_{n \in \omega} \omega_n$  there exists  $n \in \omega$  and  $Y \in [\omega_1]^{\omega_1}$  such that for every  $\alpha \in Y$  we have  $F_\alpha \subseteq \omega_n$ . Define  $g : Y \rightarrow 2$  by  $g(\alpha) = 1$  iff  $C_\alpha \in G$ . Then  $g \in M[G_n]$  since  $C_\alpha \in G$  iff  $C_\alpha \in G_n$ . Also  $[\![f(\alpha) \neq g(\alpha)]\!] \leq ([\![f(\alpha) = 1]\!] \Delta C_\alpha)$  which has measure less than  $1/4$ . This proves the Lemma.

□

In  $M[G]$  we have that  $\kappa^+ = c = \aleph_{\omega+1}$ . Now suppose  $\{x_\alpha \in 2^{\kappa^+} : \alpha < \omega_1\}$  is a Sierpiński set in  $2^c$  in  $M[G]$ . Let  $\{y_\alpha \in 2^{\omega_1} : \alpha < \kappa^+\}$  be defined by  $y_\alpha(\beta) = x_\beta(\alpha)$ . By the Lemma and the fact that

$$M[G_n] \models 2^{\omega_1} = \omega_n$$

there exists  $Q \in [\kappa^+]^\omega \cap M$  (in fact one of size  $\kappa^+$ ) and  $g : Y \rightarrow 2$  with  $g \in M[G_n]$  and  $Y \in ([\omega_1]^{\omega_1})^M$  such that  $\forall \alpha \in Q \forall \beta \in Y$

$$\mu_\kappa([\![y_\alpha(\beta) = g(\beta)]\!]]) \geq \frac{3}{4}$$

equivalently

$$\mu_\kappa([\![x_\beta(\alpha) = g(\beta)]\!]]) \geq \frac{3}{4}$$

Now  $\{x_\beta \upharpoonright Q : \beta \in Y\}$  must be a Sierpiński set in  $2^Q$ . Consequently letting  $Q = \{\alpha_n : n \in \omega\}$ , by the strong law of large numbers for all but countably many  $\beta \in Y$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\{i < n : x_\beta(\alpha_i) = 0\}|}{n} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Choose  $\beta \in Y$  and  $n \in \omega$  so that if

$$b = [\![\frac{7}{16} < \frac{|\{i < n : x_\beta(\alpha_i) = 0\}|}{n} < \frac{9}{16}] \!] ]$$

then  $\mu_\kappa(b) > \frac{2}{3}$ . Let  $B_i = [\![x_\beta(\alpha_i) = g(\beta)]\!] ]$  and note that  $\mu_\kappa(B_i) \geq 3/4$ , so by Kunen's Lemma:

$$\mu_\kappa\left(\left\{r \in 2^\kappa : |\{i < n : r \in B_i\}| \geq \frac{5}{8}n\right\}\right) \geq 1/3$$

Let

$$c = \left\{r \in 2^\kappa : |\{i < n : r \in B_i\}| \geq \frac{5}{8}n\right\} = [\![|\{i < n : x_\beta(\alpha_i) = g(\beta)\}| \geq \frac{5}{8}n] \!] ]$$

I claim that  $b \wedge c = 0$ , which contradicts the fact that  $\mu_\kappa(b) > 2/3$  and  $\mu_\kappa(c) \geq 1/3$ . This is because it is impossible that

$$|\{i < n : x_\beta(\alpha_i) = 0\}| \geq \frac{5}{8}n \quad \text{or} \quad |\{i < n : x_\beta(\alpha_i) = 1\}| \geq \frac{5}{8}n$$

and

$$\frac{7}{16} < \frac{|\{i < n : x_\beta(\alpha_i) = 0\}|}{n} < \frac{9}{16}$$

This proves the theorem.

□

In a model due to Bartoszynski and Ihoda (1989)[1] there exists a subset of  $2^\omega$  of cardinality  $\omega_1$  which is a Sierpiński set, but also every Sierpiński set



in  $2^\omega$  has cardinality  $\omega_1$ . This does not mean that there is no Sierpiński set in  $2^c$ . To construct their model start with a model  $M$  of ZFC+MA+¬CH, then add  $\omega_1$  random reals, i.e. force with the measure algebra of  $2^{\omega_1}$ . In this model there is a Sierpiński set in  $2^{\omega_2}$ . To see this let  $D_\alpha \in [\omega_1]^{\omega_1}$  for  $\alpha < \omega_2$  be almost disjoint sets (uncountable sets with pairwise intersection countable) and define  $x_\alpha \in 2^{\omega_2}$  for  $\alpha < \omega_1$  by  $x_\alpha(\beta) = G(D_\beta(\alpha))$  where  $G : \omega_1 \rightarrow 2$  is the generic map and  $D_\beta(\alpha)$  is the  $\alpha^{th}$  element of  $D_\beta$ . It is not hard to show that  $\{x_\alpha : \alpha < \omega_1\} \subseteq 2^{\omega_2}$  is a Sierpiński set. We do not know of model for Theorem 0.13 where the continuum is  $\omega_2$ .

**Theorem 0.16** *It is relatively consistent with ZFC that the continuum hypothesis is false but in some  $\omega_1$ -saturated universe there is a Loeb-Sierpiński set.*

proof: Suppose  $M$  is a countable standard model of ZFC+¬CH. And let  $W \in M$  be an  $\omega_1$ -saturated nonstandard universe, and  $H \in W$  some hyperfinite set. Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be the boolean algebra obtained by taking the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the internal subsets of  $H$  and dividing out by the Loeb measure zero sets. Then  $\mathbb{B}$  has the countable chain condition. Let  $G$  be  $\mathbb{B}$ -generic over  $M$ . Working in  $M[G]$  find an elementary extension of  $W$  say  $W'$  such that the type  $\Sigma(x) = \{x \in A : [A] \in G\}$  is realized in  $W'$ . It is easy to check that for any  $\langle A_n : n \in \omega \rangle \in M$  such that each  $A_n \subseteq H$  is internal and the Loeb measure of  $A_n$  less than  $1/n$ , then there exists  $n \in \omega$  with  $[H - A_n] \in G$ . It follows that  $x \notin \bigcap_{n \in \omega} A_n$ . Iterate this forcing  $\omega_1$  times using finite support at limits and obtain  $W_\alpha \in M_\alpha$  and  $x_\alpha \in H \in W_\alpha$ , then using the countable chain condition, in the final model  $M_{\omega_1}$  the universe  $W_{\omega_1} = \bigcup_{\alpha < \omega_1} W_\alpha$  is  $\omega_1$ -saturated and  $\{x_\alpha : \alpha < \omega_1\}$  is a Loeb-Sierpiński set.

□

We say that a nonstandard universe  $W$  is an  $\omega$ -power iff there exists an infinite ordinal  $\alpha$  (a typical example is  $\alpha = \omega + \omega$ ) and a nonprincipal ultrafilter  $U$  on  $\omega$  such that  $W$  is the ultrapower  $V_\alpha^\omega/U$ , where  $V_\alpha$  is the set of all sets of rank less than  $\alpha$ . All  $\omega$ -powers are  $\omega_1$ -saturated.

**Theorem 0.17** *It is relatively consistent with ZFC that continuum hypothesis is false and we have an  $\omega$ -power in which there exists a Loeb-Sierpiński set.*

proof: We will use the following lemmas.

**Lemma 0.18** *If  $M$  is a countable standard model of ZFC and  $U \in M$  a nonprincipal ultrafilter on  $\omega$ , then there exists a generic extension  $N$  of  $M$  which satisfies the countable chain condition and*

$$N \models \exists Z \in [\omega]^\omega \forall X \in U Z \subseteq^* X$$

where  $A \subseteq^* B$  means inclusion modulo finite.

proof: This is a well-known forcing  $\{(s, X) : s \in [\omega]^{<\omega} \text{ and } X \in U\}$ , see Mathias (1977)[13].

□

Suppose  $F \subseteq P(\omega)$  is a field of sets and  $\mu : F \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a finitely additive measure with  $\mu(\omega) = 1$  and  $\mu(n) = 0$  for each  $n \in \omega$ . Let  $\mathbb{P} = \{b \in F : \mu(b) > 0\}$  ordered by inclusion.

**Lemma 0.19**  *$\mathbb{P}$  has the countable chain condition. If  $G$  is  $\mathbb{P}$ -generic over a model  $M$  of ZFC, then for every  $\langle a_n : n \in \omega \rangle \in M \cap F^\omega$  with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \omega} \mu(a_n) = 0$  there exists  $n \in \omega$  with  $(\omega - a_n) \in G$ .*

proof: The countable chain condition holds because there cannot be  $n$  sets of measure greater than  $1/n$  and pairwise intersection measure zero. The second sentence is an easy density argument.

□

Given  $Z \in [\omega]^\omega$  and  $h \in \omega^\omega$  with  $h(n) \geq 2$  all  $n \in Z$ , then define  $X = \prod_{n \in Z} h(n)$  and give  $X$  the product measure  $\mu$  determined as follows. Let  $A_{i,n} = \{x \in X : x(n) = i\}$  for  $i < h(n)$  then  $\mu(A_{i,n}) = 1/h(n)$  and for  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k$  distinct

$$\mu(A_{i_1, n_1} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_k, n_k}) = \frac{1}{h(n_1)} \cdot \frac{1}{h(n_2)} \cdots \frac{1}{h(n_k)}$$

Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be the measure algebra determined by  $X$  and  $\mu$ , i.e. the Borel subsets of  $X$  modulo the  $\mu$  measure zero sets. Then  $\mathbb{B}$  is isomorphic to the usual random real forcing and a generic filter  $G$  determines and is determined by a “random real”  $r \in X$ .

**Lemma 0.20** *Suppose  $h$  and  $Z$  are elements of  $M$  a countable standard model of ZFC,  $r \in X$  is a random real over  $M$ ,  $g : Z \rightarrow [\omega]^{<\omega}$  with  $g \in M$ ,*

$g(n) \subseteq h(n)$  all  $n$ , and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \omega} \frac{|g(n)|}{|h(n)|} = p$ . Then the following limit exists and equals  $p$ :

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \omega} \frac{|\{m < n : m \in Z \text{ and } r(m) \in g(m)\}|}{|\{m < n : m \in Z\}|} = p$$

proof: This follows from the strong law of large numbers for variable distributions (see Feller (1968)[4] X.7 page 258). For each  $n \in \omega$  let  $\mathbf{X}_n$  be a random variable which is 1 with probability  $p_n$  and 0 with probability  $1 - p_n$  where  $p_n = \frac{|g(z_n)|}{|h(z_n)|}$  and  $\{z_n : n < \omega\}$  is an enumeration of  $Z$ . The sequence is mutually independent and satisfies Kolmogorov's Criterion (variances are less than 1) so that the strong law of large numbers holds. This implies that with probability 1 the sequence  $\frac{S_n - m_n}{n}$  tends to zero where  $S_n = \mathbf{X}_0 + \mathbf{X}_1 + \dots + \mathbf{X}_{n-1}$  and  $m_n = p_0 + \dots + p_{n-1}$ . Since any random real  $r$  must be in any measure one set coded in the ground model we must have that for

$$a_n = |\{m < n : r(k_m) \in g(k_m)\}|$$

that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n - m_n}{n} = 0$ . To finish the proof it is enough to see that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} = p$$

This is true because  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m_n}{n} = p$  since

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{m_n}{n} - p &= \frac{p_0 + p_1 + \dots + p_{n-1} - np}{n} \\ &= \frac{(p_0 - p) + \dots + (p_m - p)}{n} + \frac{(p_{m+1} - p) + \dots + (p_{n-1} - p)}{n} \end{aligned}$$

and choosing  $m$  large makes the second quotient small and  $n$  large drives the first down.

□

Now suppose  $H$  is an infinite hyperinteger in an  $\omega$ -power via a nonprincipal ultrafilter  $U$  from  $M$  a countable standard model of ZFC, and  $h \in \omega^\omega$  represents  $H$  in this ultrapower, i.e.  $[h]_U = H$ . We combine the last three lemmas:

**Lemma 0.21** *There exists a countable chain condition generic extension  $N$  of  $M$  and an ultrafilter  $U^* \in N$  extending  $U$  and  $f \in \omega^\omega$  such that  $[f]_{U^*} \in H = [h]_{U^*}$  and  $[f]_{U^*}$  is not in any Loeb measure zero set coded in  $M$ , i.e.  $\langle g_n : n \in \omega \rangle \in M$  such that  $[g_n]_U \subseteq H$  and such that Loeb measure of  $[g_n]$  is less than  $1/n$  for each  $n$ , there exists  $n \in \omega$  with  $[f]_{U^*} \notin [g_n]_{U^*}$ .*

proof: Apply Lemma 0.18 to obtain  $Z \in [\omega]^\omega$  so that  $\forall X \in U$  we have  $Z \subseteq^* X$ . Let  $r \in X = \prod_{n \in Z} h(n)$  be a random real over  $M[Z]$ . Working in  $M[Z][r]$  define the field of sets

$$F = \{X \subseteq \omega : \exists g \in M \ g : \omega \rightarrow [\omega]^{<\omega} \text{ and } X \cap Z = \{m \in \omega : r(m) \in g(m)\}\}$$

Define  $\mu(X)$  for any  $X \in F$  by

$$\mu(X) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \omega} \frac{|X \cap Z \cap n|}{|Z \cap n|}$$

By Lemma 0.20 this limit exists and in fact equals the Loeb measure of the  $[g]_U$  that put  $X$  into  $F$ . Use Lemma 0.19 to obtain  $G$   $\mathbb{P}$ -generic over  $M[Z][r]$  (where  $\mathbb{P} = \{b \in F : \mu(b) > 0\}$ ) and let  $U^*$  be any ultrafilter extending  $G$ . Let  $f \in \omega^\omega$  be any map extending  $r$ . Since  $\mu(Z) = 1$  we have  $U^* \supset U$ . If  $\langle g_n : n \in \omega \rangle \in M$  is the code for a Loeb measure zero subset of  $H$ , then letting  $X_n = \{m \in \omega : f(m) \in g_n(m)\}$  ( $f = r$  on  $Z$ ) we have that the Loeb measure of  $[g_n]_U$  is  $\mu(X_n)$  which goes to zero as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . So by Lemma 0.19 there exists  $n \in \omega$  such that  $(\omega - X_n) \in G \subseteq U^*$ . This means that

$$\{m : f(m) \notin g_n(m)\} \in U^*$$

so  $[f]_{U^*} \notin [g_n]_{U^*}$ .

□

Now we prove Theorem 0.17. Start with any  $M_0$  countable standard model of ZFC+¬CH, nonprincipal ultrafilter  $U \in M_0$  on  $\omega$ , and  $H = [h]_U$  an infinite hyperinteger with  $h \in \omega^\omega \cap M$ . Iterate Lemma 0.21 with finite support  $\omega_1$  times to obtain  $\langle f_\alpha : \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  and  $\langle U_\alpha : \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  with  $[f_\alpha]_{U_\alpha} \in [h]_{U_\alpha} = H$  and  $[f_{\alpha+1}]_{U_{\alpha+1}}$  not in any Loeb measure zero set coded in  $M_\alpha$ . Since the entire iteration has the countable chain condition, at the end  $U = \bigcup_{\alpha < \omega_1} U_\alpha$  is an ultrafilter in  $M_{\omega_1}$  and  $\{f_\alpha : \alpha < \omega_1\}$  will be a Loeb-Sierpiński set.

□

I do not know if a Loeb-Sierpiński set can have cardinality  $\omega_2$ .

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