

Σ -PRIKRY FORCINGS AND THEIR ITERATIONS



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- ① **Sigma-Prikry forcing I: The axioms**, Submitted to Canadian Journal of Mathematics (2019).
- ② **Sigma-Prikry forcing II: Iteration Scheme**, Submitted to Journal of Mathematical Logic (2019).

The subject matter of this talk is **Prikry-type forcings**

- ▶ **Main role:** Generally devised to **change cofinalities** and blow up the power set of a singular cardinal
 - ▶ Due to foundational reasons this needs Very Large Cardinals (Jensen)
- ▶ Have found several connections/applications in central areas of Set Theory
 - ▶ The Singular Cardinals Problem (Prikry, Magidor, Gitik...)
 - ▶ Identity crises phenomena (Magidor, Apter...)
 - ▶ Inner Model Theory (Mitchell, Cummings & Schimmerling...)

Motivating goal

Theorem

Assume that $\langle \kappa_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$ is an increasing sequence of supercompact cardinals. Then there is a cofinality-preserving extension where

- 1 $\kappa = \sup_{n < \omega} \kappa_n$ is a strong limit cardinal;
- 2 $\neg \text{SCH}_\kappa$;
- 3 $\text{Refl}(\langle \omega, \kappa^+ \rangle)$ holds.

- ▶ Around the same time, it was also proved by Ben-Neria-Hayut-Unger and soon after by Gitik.
- ▶ Their proof avoids iterated forcing and extends to uncountable cofinality. The novelty in our approach is the iteration scheme for Σ -Prikry forcings.
- ▶ Announced by A. Sharon in 2005.

Prikry-type forcings

The first representative of this family is the so-called **Prikry forcing**:

- ▶ Let κ be a measurable cardinal.
- ▶ Let \mathcal{U} be a non-principal, normal and κ -complete ultrafilter over it (**measure**).

Definition (Prikry 1970)

Prikry forcing $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{U}}$ is the poset whose conditions are pairs (s, A) where

- 1 $s \in [\kappa]^{<\omega}$ strictly increasing;
- 2 $A \in \mathcal{U}$ with $\max(s) < \min(A)$.

We will write $(s, A) \leq (t, B)$ iff s end-extends t , $s \setminus t \subseteq B$ and $A \subseteq B$.

We consider an additional ordering $\leq^* \subseteq \leq$ defined as $(s, A) \leq^* (t, B)$ iff $(s, A) \leq (t, B)$ and $s = t$.

- ▶ For each $n < \omega$, let \mathbb{P}_n be the subposet of \mathbb{P} whose conditions (s, A) have $|s| = n$ joint with the trivial condition $\mathbb{1}$.

Properties of \mathbb{P}

- 1 \mathbb{P} is κ -centered, hence cardinals $\geq \kappa^+$ are preserved;
- 2 \mathbb{P} forces $\text{cof}(\kappa) = \omega$.
- 3 \mathbb{P} does not add bounded subsets to κ . In particular, cardinals $\leq \kappa$ are preserved.

(1) and (2) of above are easy to prove but (3) is not so immediate:

- 1 for each $n < \omega$, (\mathbb{P}_n, \leq) is κ -closed;
- 2 \mathbb{P} satisfies the Prikry property.

Prikry property

For each $p \in \mathbb{P}$ and each sentence φ in the language of forcing, there is $q \leq^* p$ such that q decides φ .

In other words, the set $D_\varphi = \{p \in \mathbb{P} \mid p \parallel \varphi\}$ is \leq^* -dense.

Lemma (Prikry)

Prikry forcing has the Prikry property.

Theorem (Prikry)

If there is a measurable cardinal then there is a cardinal-preserving generic extension where the measurable becomes a singular strong limit cardinal of countable cofinality.

Some Examples

- 1 Prikry forcing (Prikry).
- 2 Supercompact Prikry forcing (Magidor).
- 3 Gitik-Sharon forcing.
- 4 Magidor forcing.
- 5 Radin forcing (Radin & Woodin)
- 6 Diagonal Supercompact Magidor forcing (Sinapova)
- 7 Extender Based Prikry forcing (EBPF) (Gitik & Magidor)
- 8 Extender Based Radin forcing (Merimovich)

The aim of our project

Our project has two goals:

- 1 Provide an **abstract framework** which allows a systematic study of Prikry-type forcings
- 2 Devise a **viable iteration scheme** for these forcings

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We want to be able to iterate, so we will in addition require a quite prevalent feature

(*) \mathbb{P} has some good chain condition

Σ -Priky forcings

Definition (Graded poset)

We say that (\mathbb{P}, ℓ) is a **graded poset** if $\mathbb{P} = (P, \leq)$ is a poset, $\ell : P \rightarrow \omega$ is a surjection, and, for all $p \in P$, the following are true:

- ▶ For every $q \leq p$, $\ell(q) \geq \ell(p)$;
- ▶ There exists $q \leq p$ with $\ell(q) = \ell(p) + 1$.

Notation

For a graded poset as above we write

- 1 $P_n := \{p \in P \mid \ell(p) = n\}$.
- 2 $P_n^p := \{q \in P \mid q \leq p \ \& \ \ell(q) = \ell(p) + n\}$.

For ease of notation we sometimes write $q \leq^n p$ rather than $q \in P_n^p$.

The Σ -Prikrý framework

- 1 $\mathbb{P} = (P, \leq)$ is a notion of forcing with a greatest element $\mathbb{1}$;
- 2 $\Sigma = \langle \kappa_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$ is a non-decreasing sequence of regular uncountable cardinals with $\kappa := \sup_{n < \omega} \kappa_n$;
- 3 μ is a cardinal such that $\mathbb{1} \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}} \check{\mu} = \kappa^+$;
- 4 $\ell : P \rightarrow \omega$ and $c : P \rightarrow \mu$ are functions;

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- 3 For all $p, q \in P$, if $c(p) = c(q)$, then $P_0^p \cap P_0^q$ is non-empty;
- 4 For all $p \in P$, $n, m < \omega$ and $q \leq^{n+m} p$, the set $\{r \leq^n p \mid q \leq^m r\}$ contains a \leq -largest condition $m(p, q)$. In the particular case that $m = 0$, we write $w(p, q)$ instead of $m(p, q)$;

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- 5 For all $p \in P$, the set $W(p) := \{w(p, q) \mid q \leq p\}$ has size $< \mu$;
- 6 For all $p' \leq p$ in P , $q \mapsto w(p, q)$ forms an order-preserving map from $W(p')$ to $W(p)$;
- 7 Suppose that $U \subseteq P$ is a 0-open set, i.e., $r \in U$ iff $P_0^r \subseteq U$. Then, for all $p \in P$ and $n < \omega$, there is $q \in P_0^p$, such that, either $P_n^q \cap U = \emptyset$ or $P_n^q \subseteq U$.

Some clarifications

How $m(p, q)$ and $w(p, q)$ look like?

For simplicity let us assume that \mathbb{P} is Prikry forcing. Say $p = (s, A)$ and $q = (s \hat{\ } \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle, B)$. Let $m \leq \ell(q) - \ell(p)$.

- ▶ Intuitively, $w(p, q)$ is the \leq -greatest interpolation between p and q with length $\ell(q)$. In this case, $w(p, q) = (s \hat{\ } \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle, A \setminus \beta + 1)$.
- ▶ In general, $m(p, q)$ is the \leq -greatest interpolation between p and q with length $\ell(q) - m$. In this case, $1(p, q) = (s \hat{\ } \langle \alpha \rangle, A \setminus \alpha + 1)$ and $2(p, q) = (s, A) = p$.

Convention

For each $n < \omega$ and $p \in P$, we write $W_n(p) := \{w(p, q) \mid q \leq^n p\}$. Hence, $W(p) = \bigcup_{n < \omega} W_n(p)$.

Novelties of the Σ -Prikrý framework

μ^+ -Linked₀-property

For all $p, q \in P$, if $c(p) = c(q)$, then $P_0^p \cap P_0^q$ is non-empty.

Complete Prikrý Property

Suppose that $U \subseteq P$ is a 0-open set, i.e., $r \in U$ iff $P_0^r \subseteq U$.

Then, for all $p \in P$ and $n < \omega$, there is $q \in P_0^p$, such that, either $P_n^q \cap U = \emptyset$ or $P_n^q \subseteq U$.

- ▶ The first one is a strong form of μ^+ -2-Linkedness, hence a strengthening of the μ^+ -cc.
- ▶ The second one is inspired by the Complete Ramsey Property. Captures two features of Prikrý-type forcings: the **Prikrý Property** and the **Strong Prikrý Property** (see next slide)
- ▶ Both are crucial to define viable iterations of Σ -Prikrý forcings

CPP yields the SPP and the PP

Proposition

Let \mathbb{P} be some Σ -Priky forcing. Then the following are true:

- 1 \mathbb{P} has the Priky property.
- 2 \mathbb{P} has the Strong Priky property; namely, for each dense open set $D \subseteq P$ and each $p \in P$, there is $q \leq^0 p$ and $n < \omega$ such that $P_m^q \subseteq D$, for each $m \geq n$.

For the proof we use the key concept of 0-open coloring:

Definition

Let (\mathbb{P}, ℓ, c) be a Σ -Priky triple. A 0-open coloring $d : P \rightarrow \theta$ is a map such that for each pair $p' \leq^0 p$ of conditions in P , $d(p) \in \{0, d(p')\}$.

We say that $H \subseteq P$ is a set of indiscernibles for d if for each $p, q \in H$, $d(p) = d(q)$, provided $\ell(p) = \ell(q)$.

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Lemma

Let (\mathbb{P}, ℓ, c) be a Σ -Prikrý triple. For each $p \in P$, $n \geq 2$ and each 0-open coloring $d : P \rightarrow n$, there is $q \leq^0 p$ such that the set of conditions of P below q is a set of indiscernibles for d .

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Let $p \in P$ and φ a sentence in the language of forcing. Define $d : P \rightarrow 3$ as

$$d(r) := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } r \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}} \varphi; \\ 2, & \text{if } r \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}} \neg\varphi; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Appeal to the above lemma to find $q \leq^0 p$ such that P^q is a set of indiscernibles for d . It is not hard to check that q already decides φ .

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Let $p \in P$ and D be an open dense set. Define $d : P \rightarrow 2$ as $d(r) := 1$ iff $r \in D$. Appealing to the lemma we get $q \leq^0 p$ such that P^q is a set of indiscernibles for d . Since D is dense, there is $n < \omega$ and $r \leq^n q$ such that $r \in D$. By definition of d , $d(r) = 1$, hence $P_n^q \subseteq D$. Finally the openness of D yields the desired result; that is, $P_m^q \subseteq D$, for each $m \geq n$.

Other properties of Σ -Prikrý forcings

Proposition

Let $\mathbb{P} := (P, \leq)$ be some Σ -Prikrý forcing and $p \in P$. Then, the following are true:

- 1 \mathbb{P} does not add bounded subsets of κ ;
- 2 For each $\nu \geq \kappa$ regular, and each $p \in P$, if $p \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}} \text{cof}(\nu) < \kappa$ then there is $p' \leq p$ such that $|W(p')| \geq \nu$.
- 3 Assume $\mathbb{1} \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}}$ “ κ is singular”. Then, $\mu = \kappa^+$ iff $|W(p)| \leq \kappa$, for each $p \in P$.
- 4 For each $n < \omega$, $W_n(p)$ is a maximal antichain below p .
- 5 Any two compatible elements of $W(p)$ are comparable. Thus, $(W(p), \geq)$ is a tree (**the p-tree**)
- 6 $c \upharpoonright W(p)$ is injective.

Some examples: Prikry forcing

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- 2 $\ell(s, A) := |s|$;
- 3 $c(s, A) := s$;

Some examples: Gitik-Sharon forcing

Let $\langle \kappa_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$ be an increasing sequence of regular cardinals. Suppose that \mathcal{U} is a supercompact measure on $\mathcal{P}_{\kappa_0}(\mu^+)$, and let \mathcal{U}_n be its projection onto $\mathcal{P}_{\kappa_0}(\kappa_n)$.

Definition (Gitik & Sharon 2008)

Conditions in \mathbb{P} are sequences $p = \langle x_0^p, \dots, x_{n-1}^p A_n^p, A_{n+1}^p, \dots \rangle$ such that the following holds:

- 1 $x_i \in \mathcal{P}_{\kappa_0}(\kappa_i)$.
- 2 $x_i \prec x_{i+1}$ (i.e. $\text{otp}(x_i) < \text{otp}(x_{i+1} \cap \kappa_0)$).
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GS-poset is Σ -Prikrý

- 1 Σ is the constant ω -sequence with value κ_0 and $\mu = (\sup_{n < \omega} \kappa_n)^+$.
- 2 $\ell(p) := |\langle x_0^p, \dots, x_{n-1}^p \rangle|$.
- 3 $c(p) := \langle x_0^p, \dots, x_{n-1}^p \rangle$.

Some examples: The Extender-Based Prikry forcing

The set-up

- ▶ $\langle \kappa_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$ be a strictly increasing sequence of cardinals;
- ▶ $\kappa := \sup_{n < \omega} \kappa_n$, $\mu := \kappa^+$ and $\lambda := 2^\mu$;
- ▶ $\mu^{<\mu} = \mu$ and $\lambda^{<\lambda} = \lambda$;
- ▶ for each $n < \omega$, κ_n carries a $(\kappa_n, \lambda + 1)$ -extender E_n .

In particular, for each $n < \omega$, we are assuming that there is an elementary embedding $j_n : V \rightarrow M_n$ with $\text{crit}(j) = \kappa_n$ such that M_n is a transitive class, ${}^{\kappa_n}M_n \subseteq M_n$, $V_{\lambda+1} \subseteq M_n$ and $j_n(\kappa_n) > \lambda$.

Definition

For each $n < \omega$, and each $\alpha < \lambda$, define $E_{n,\alpha} := \{X \subseteq \kappa_n \mid \alpha \in j_n(X)\}$. For each $\alpha, \beta < \lambda$ write $\alpha \leq_{E_n} \beta$ iff $\alpha \leq \beta$ and there is $\pi_{\beta,\alpha} : \kappa_n \rightarrow \kappa_n$ such that $j_n(\pi_{\beta,\alpha})(\beta) = \alpha$.

Definition

For $n < \omega$, \mathbb{Q}_{n0} is defined as follows:

(0)_n $\mathbb{Q}_{n0} := (Q_{n0}, \leq_{n0})$, where elements of Q_{n0} are triples $p = (a^p, A^p, f^p)$ meeting the following requirements:

- 1 f^p is a function from some $x \in [\lambda]^{\leq \kappa}$ to κ_n ;
- 2 $a^p \in [\lambda]^{< \kappa_n}$, and a^p contains a \leq_{E_n} -maximal element, which hereafter is denoted by $\text{mc}(a^p)$;
- 3 $\text{dom}(f^p) \cap a^p = \emptyset$;
- 4 $A^p \in E_{n, \text{mc}(a^p)}$;
- 5 if $\beta < \alpha$ is a pair in a , for all $\nu \in A$, $\pi_{\text{mc}(a^p)\beta}(\nu) < \pi_{\text{mc}(a^p)\alpha}(\nu)$;
- 6 if $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in a$ with $\gamma \leq_{E_n} \beta \leq_{E_n} \alpha$, then, for all $\nu \in \pi_{\text{mc}(a^p)\alpha} " A$, $\pi_{\alpha\gamma}(\nu) = \pi_{\beta\gamma}(\pi_{\alpha\beta}(\nu))$.

The ordering \leq_{n0} is defined as follows: $(a^p, A^p, f^p) \leq_{n0} (b^q, B^q, g^q)$ iff the following are satisfied:

- (i) $f^p \supseteq g^q$,
- (ii) $a^p \supseteq b^q$,
- (iii) $\pi_{\text{mc}(a^p)\text{mc}(b^q)} " A^p \subseteq B^q$.

Definition

For $n < \omega$, \mathbb{Q}_{n1} is defined as follows:

- (1)_n $\mathbb{Q}_{n1} := (Q_{n1}, \leq_{n1})$, where $Q_{n1} := \bigcup \{x \kappa_n \mid x \in [\lambda]^{\leq \kappa}\}$ and $\leq_{n1} := \supseteq$.

Essentially \mathbb{Q}_{n1} is Cohen forcing $\text{Add}(\kappa^+, \lambda)$.

Definition

For $n < \omega$, \mathbb{Q}_n is defined as

- (2)_n $\mathbb{Q}_n := (Q_{n0} \cup Q_{n1}, \leq_n)$.

The ordering \leq_n is defined as follows: for each $p, q \in Q_n$, $p \leq_n q$ iff

- 1 either $p, q \in Q_{ni}$ for some $i \in 2$ and $p \leq_{ni} q$, or
- 2 $p \in Q_{n1}$, $q \in Q_{n0}$ and, for some $\nu \in A$, $p \leq_{n1} q \hat{\curvearrowright} \langle \nu \rangle$, where

$$q \hat{\curvearrowright} \langle \nu \rangle := f^q \cup \{(\beta, \pi_{\text{mc}(a^q), \beta}(\nu)) \mid \beta \in a^q\}.$$

Some examples: The Extender-Based Prikry forcing

Definition

The Extender Based Prikry Forcing is the poset $\mathbb{P} := (P, \leq)$ defined by the following clauses:

- ▶ Conditions in P are sequences $p = \langle p_n \mid n < \omega \rangle \in \prod_{n < \omega} Q_n$.
- ▶ For all $p, q \in P$, $p \leq q$ iff $p_n \leq_n q_n$ for every $n < \omega$.
- ▶ For all $p \in P$:
 - ▶ There is $n < \omega$ such that $p_n \in Q_{n0}$;
 - ▶ For every $n < \omega$, if $p_n \in Q_{n0}$, then $p_{n+1} \in Q_{n0}$ and $a^{p_n} \subseteq a^{p_{n+1}}$.

The Extender-Based Prikry forcing is Σ -Prikry

- ① $\Sigma := \langle \kappa_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$ and $\mu := (\sup_n \kappa_n)^+$.
- ② $\ell(p) := \min\{n < \omega \mid p_n \in Q_{n0}\}$.
- ③ c is more elaborated than in the previous cases.

The function c for the EBPF

Since we are assuming $\mu^\kappa = \mu$ and $2^\mu = \lambda$, let us fix a sequence $\langle e^i \mid i < \mu \rangle$ of functions from λ to μ with the property that, for every function $e : x \rightarrow \mu$ with $x \in [\lambda]^{\leq \kappa}$, there exists $i < \mu$ with $e \subseteq e^i$.

Definition

For every $f \in \bigcup_{n < \omega} Q_{n1}$, let $i(f) := \min\{i < \mu \mid f \subseteq e^i\}$.

For every $p = (a, A, f) \in \bigcup_{n < \omega} Q_{n0}$, let $i(p)$ be the least $i < \mu$ such that:

- ▶ for all $\alpha \in a$, $e^i(\alpha) = 0$;
- ▶ for all $\alpha \in \text{dom}(f)$, $e^i(\alpha) = f(\alpha) + 1$.

Finally, for every condition $p = \langle p_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$ in P , let

$$c(p) := \ell(p) \hat{\ } \langle i(p_n) \mid n < \omega \rangle.$$

The function c for the EBPF

The Extender Based Prikry forcing has the μ^+ -Linked₀-property

Let p, q be two conditions in the EBPF with $c(p) = c(q)$. The goal is to show that p and q are compatible as witnessed by a 0-extension of both conditions. More precisely, we want to prove $P_0^p \cap P_0^q \neq \emptyset$.

Set i be this common value of the c function. By definition, p and q have the same length, say ℓ . Now let $n \geq \ell$. To prove $P_0^p \cap P_0^q \neq \emptyset$ it suffices to check that $a_n^p \cap \text{dom}(f_n^q) = a_n^q \cap \text{dom}(f_n^p) = \emptyset$. Let us just check that $a_n^p \cap \text{dom}(f_n^q) = \emptyset$ as the other equality can be proved similarly.

Indeed, since $c(p) = i$ it follows that $e^i \upharpoonright a_n^p = 0$. On the other hand, as $c(q) = i$, $e^i \upharpoonright \text{dom}(f_n^q) \neq 0$. Both equalities combined finally yield $a_n^p \cap \text{dom}(f_n^q) = \emptyset$, as desired.

More examples

- ① Supercompact Prikry forcing (Magidor);
- ② AIM forcing (Cummings et al.);

Other candidates to be Σ -Prikry

- ① Tree Prikry forcing;
- ② Strongly Compact Gitik-Sharon forcing;
- ③ Extender Based Prikry forcing with a single extender;

An interlude on iterations of forcing

Some iteration theorems

- (I) The $<\aleph_0$ -support iteration of ccc forcing is also ccc \Rightarrow **Consistency of $FA_{2^{\aleph_0}}(ccc) = MA$ (Solovay-Tennenbaum)**

Observation

The above result does not extend to larger supports. Namely, even under the CH, there are countable support iterations of \aleph_2 -cc + \aleph_1 -closed forcing which are not \aleph_2 -cc (Mitchell).

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- (III) Let Γ be the family of well-met, \aleph_2 -stationary-cc and \aleph_1 -closed forcings with exact upper bounds. Under the CH, the $<\aleph_1$ -support iteration of members of Γ is \aleph_2 -stationary-cc \Rightarrow **Consistency of $FA_{2^{\aleph_1}}(\Gamma)$ (Shelah)**
- (IV) Let Γ be the family of well-met, κ^+ -stationary-cc, κ -closed and countably parallel closed forcing. Under $\kappa^{<\kappa} = \kappa$, the iteration of $<\kappa$ -supported iteration of members of Γ is κ^+ -stationary-cc **Consistency of $FA_{2^\kappa}(\Gamma)$ (Cummings et. al)**

Goal

Solve problems about singular cardinals and their successors.

Strategy

Find an analogous iteration theorem for κ being a successor of a singular cardinal.

To be continued in the next lecture