

Minimal collapse maps at arbitrary projective level

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 - ② every Σ_n^1 real is constructible.

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Both \mathbb{P} and $\mathbb{P}_{\text{Laver}}$ naturally adjoin a cofinal map $\mathbf{a} : \omega \rightarrow \omega_1^{\mathbf{V}}$, but such a map \mathbf{a} is **not definable** in $\mathbf{V}[\mathbf{a}]$ since the forcing notions \mathbb{P} and $\mathbb{P}_{\text{Laver}}$ are **too homogeneous**.



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- The **single generic object** construction goes back to Jensen 1970 **minimal- Π_2^1 -singleton forcing**.



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In particular \mathbb{U}_n forces all lightface Σ_n^1 reals to be constructible.

Problem

In the context of the **Namba forcing**, define a generic extension $\mathbf{L}[\mathbf{a}]$ of \mathbf{L} by a cofinal map $\mathbf{a} : \omega \rightarrow \omega_2^{\mathbf{L}}$, such that $\omega_1^{\mathbf{L}}$ is not collapsed and \mathbf{a} is definable in $\mathbf{L}[\mathbf{a}]$.

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