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A model with everything except for a  
well-ordering of the reals

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A Sierpiński set is an uncountable set  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$   
s.t. every unctble.  $\bar{S} \subset S$  is non-null; a  
Luzin set is an uncountable  $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}$  s.t. every  
uncntble.  $\bar{\Lambda} \subset \Lambda$  is non-meager.

Lemma 1. Assume CH. There is a Sierpiński set  
as well as a Luzin set.

Proof: Let  $(N_i : i < \omega_1)$  be an enumeration of  
all  $G_\delta$  null sets. Recursively define  $(x_i : i < \omega_1)$   
s.t.  $x_i \notin \bigcup \{N_j : j < i\} \cup \{x_j : j < i\}$ . Then  
 $S = \{x_i : i < \omega_1\}$  is Sierpiński. The same proof  
produces a Luzin set, starting out with an  
enumeration  $(M_i : i < \omega_1)$  of all  $F_\sigma$  meager sets.



As we may write  $\mathbb{R} = N \cup M$ , where  $N$  is null and  $M$  is meager, no set can be both Sierpiński as well as Luzin.

Definition.  $S =$  Sacks forcing = the set of all perfect trees  $T \subset {}^{<\omega}2$ , ordered by inclusion (i.e.,  $T \leq S$  iff  $T \subset S$ ).

Let us write  $S(\omega_1)$  for the countable support product of  $\omega_1$  copies of  $S$ .

Lemma 2. Let  $S(\omega_1) \ni p \Vdash \tau \in {}^{\omega\omega}$ . There is some  $q \leq p$  and some  $f \in {}^{\omega\omega}[\omega]^{<\omega} V$  s.t.  
 $q \Vdash \forall n \tau(n) \in f(n)$  and  $\overline{f(n)} \leq 2^{2^n}$  f.a.  $n$ .

Let's refer to this as the "Sacks property." It is shown by a simple fusion argument.

Proof: Let  $X \prec V_\theta$ ,  $p, \tau \in X$ ,  $\bar{X} = X$ ,  $\theta > \omega_1$ . Write  $\alpha = X \cap \omega_1$ . The support  $\text{supp}(p)$  of  $p$  is an element of  $X$ , hence also a subset of  $X$ . We shall construct  $f$  ad  $q$

as in the statement of Lemma 2 with  
 $\text{supp}(q) \subset \alpha$ .

Let  $e: \omega \leftrightarrow \alpha$ . We aim to produce a sequence  $(p_n : n < \omega)$  s.t.  $p_0 = p$ , and  $p_{n+1} \leq p_n$ ,  $p_n \in X$  for all  $n < \omega$ . (Then also  $\text{supp}(p_n) \subset \alpha$ , all  $n < \omega$ .)

Let  $p_n$  be given. Working in  $X$ , we shall produce  $p_{n+1} \leq p_n$  s.t. for all  $k < n$ , the  $n^{\text{th}}$  level of  $p_{n+1}(e(k))^*$  is equal to the  $n^{\text{th}}$  level of  $p_n(e(k))$  and there is some  $a \in [\omega]^{< 2^{2^n}}$  s.t.  $p_{n+1} \Vdash \tau(\check{n}) \in \dot{a}$ . The "intersection" of all  $p_n$  and the function given by the associated  $a$ 's then gives  $q$  and  $f$  as in Lemma 2.

We may produce  $p_{n+1}$  by ~~some~~ some sequence  $(q_m : m \leq 2^{2^n})$  defined as follows inside  $X$ .  $q_0 = p_n$ .

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\*) The  $n^{\text{th}}$  level of  $T \in S$  is the set of all SET which are  $(n+1)^{\text{st}}$  splitting nodes of  $T$ .

Fix some enumeration  $(\vec{s}_m : m < 2^{2^n})$  of all tuples  $\vec{s} = (s_{e(0)}, \dots, s_{e(n-1)})$  s.t.  $s_{e(k)}$  is an element of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  level of  $p_n(e(k))$ .

Suppose ~~that~~  $q_m$  has been chosen, we aim to define  $q_{m+1}$ . For each  $k < n$ , let  $\bar{m}_k \leq m$  be maximal s.t.  $s_{e(k)} \in q_{\bar{m}_k}(e(k))$ , and define  $\bar{q}$  with the same support as  $q_m$  by:

$$\bar{q}(\xi) = \begin{cases} \left(q_{\bar{m}_k}(e(k))\right)_{s_{e(k)}} & \text{if } \xi = e(k) \\ q_m(\xi) & \text{if } \xi \neq e(k), \text{ all } k < n \end{cases} \quad *)$$

(By construction, we will have  $\left(q_{\bar{m}_k}(e(k))\right)_{s_{e(k)}} =$

$$q_{\bar{m}_k}(e(k)) \text{ or } = p_n(e(k))_{s_{e(k)}}.$$

Let  $q_{m+1} \leq \bar{q}$  decide  $\tau(\bar{n})$ , and put

\*)  $T_s = \{t \in T : t \succ s \text{ or } t \prec s\}$ .

the  $\ell \in \omega$  with  $q_{m+1} \Vdash \tau(\dot{u}) = \dot{\ell}$  into a.

This defines  $(q_m : m \leq 2^{2n})$ .

Let us then define  $p_{n+1}$  as follows.

For each  $k < n$  and  $s \in n^{\text{th}}$  level of  $p_n(e(k))$

let  $\bar{m}_{k,s} \leq m$  be maximal s.t.  $s \in q_{\bar{m}_{k,s}}(e(k))$ .

(Then  $(q_{\bar{m}_{k,s}}(e(k)))_s = q_{\bar{m}_{k,s}}(e(k))$ . ) Let

$p_n$  have the same support as  $q_{2^{2n}}$  and

$$p_n(\xi) = \begin{cases} \bigcup_{s \in n^{\text{th}} \text{ level of } p_n(e(k))} q_{\bar{m}_{k,s}}(e(k)) & \xi = e(k) \\ q_{2^{2n}}(\xi) & \xi \neq e(k), \text{ all } k < n. \end{cases}$$

It is easy to see that this works.  $\rightarrow$

Lemma 3. Let  $g$  be  $S(w_1)$ -generic over  $V$ .

If  $N$  is a null set of  $V[g]$ , then there is a  $G_g$  null set  $\bar{N}$  in  $V$  s.t.  $N \subset \bar{N}^{V[G_g]}$ , where  $\bar{N}^{V[G_g]}$  is the version of  $\bar{N}$  in  $V[G_g]$ .

If  $M$  is a meager set of  $V[g]$ , then there is an  $F_\sigma$  meager set  $\bar{M}$  in  $V$  s.t.  $M \subset \bar{M}^{V[g]}$ , where  $\bar{M}^{V[g]}$  is the version of  $\bar{M}$  in  $V[g]$ .

Proof for "null": We may assume that  $N = \bigcap \{\Omega_n : n < \omega\}$ , where each  $\Omega_n$  is an open set,  $\mu(\Omega_n) \leq \frac{1}{n+1} \cdot \frac{1}{2^{2n}}$ . Say each  $\Omega_n$  is a (countable) union of open intervals with rational end points. We may then use Lemma 2 to "guess" those intervals by  $2^{2n}$  ground model intervals of the same length. We leave the details to the reader. —

Corollary 4. If  $g$  is  $S(w_1)$ -generic on  $V$ , and if  $S, \Lambda$  are Sierpiński/Luzin sets of  $V$ , then  $S, \Lambda$  are also Sierpiński/Luzin sets of  $V[g]$ .

$B \subset \mathbb{R}$  is called a Burstin basis<sup>\*)</sup> iff

$B$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}$ , construed as a vector space over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , and  $B \cap P \neq \emptyset$  for every perfect set  $P$  (equivalently,  $B \cap D \neq \emptyset$  for every uncountable Borel set).

If  $B$  is Burstin, then also  $P \setminus B \neq \emptyset$  for every perfect  $P$ . E.g., let  $P$  be perfect,  $x, y, z \in B$ , pairwise different. The shift  $P + x + y + z = \{u + x + y + z : u \in P\}$  is perfect also, let  $u \in B \cap (P + x + y + z)$ . Then  $u - x - y - z \in P \setminus B$ . Hence every Burstin basis is automatically a Bernstein set.

It is easy to construct a Burstin set: Let  $(P_i : i < 2^{\aleph_0})$  be an enumeration of all perfect sets and  $(x_i : i < 2^{\aleph_0})$  be an enumeration of all reals. Construct sets  $(b_i : i < 2^{\aleph_0})$  with  $b_i > b_j$  for

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\*) Celestyn Burstin, Die Spaltung des Kontinuums in c im L. Sinne nichtmeßbare Mengen, Sitz. Ber. K. Akad. Wiss., MNW Klasse 1916, pp. 1525–1551.

$i \geq j$  recursively.  $b_0 = \emptyset$ ,  $b_1 = \cup \{b_i : i < 2\}$   
 for  $\lambda$  limit. Given  $b_i$ , pick

$$x \in P_i \setminus \text{span}(b_i),$$

and let

$$b_{i+1} = \begin{cases} b_i \cup \{x\} & \text{if } x \in \text{span}(b_i \cup \{x\}) \\ b_i \cup \{x, x_i\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

then  $b = b_{\omega}$  is a Burskin basis.

We define a forcing adding a generic Burskin basis:

Definition.  $p \in \mathbb{P}_B$  iff there is some real  $x$  such that  $p \in L[x]$  and  $L[x] \models "p$  is a Burskin basis."  $p \leq \bar{p}$  iff  $p \supseteq \bar{p}$ .

Lemma 5. Let  $b \in L[x]$  be linearly independent,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $y \in \mathbb{R} \setminus L[x]$ . There is then some  $p \supseteq b$ ,  $p \in L[x, y]$ ,  $L[x, y] \models "p$  is a Burskin set."

Proof : We are going to make use of a highly non-trivial result of Górszak-Słaman <sup>\*</sup>) which says that every perfect  $P \in L[x,y]$  has a perfect subset  $\bar{P} \subset P$ ,  $\bar{P} \in L[x,y]$ , such that  $\bar{P} \subset L[x,y] \setminus L[x]$ .

This immediately implies that if  $P \in L[x,y]$  is perfect and  $z \in L[x,y]$ , then there is some perfect  $\tilde{P} \subset P$ ,  $\tilde{P} \in L[x,y]$ , such that  $\tilde{P} \cap (R \cap L[x]) + z = \{u+z : z \in R \cap L[x]\} = \emptyset$ :

given  $P$ , let  $\tilde{P} \subset P - z$  be perfect s.t.  $\tilde{P} \subset L[x,y] \setminus L[x]$ . Then  $\tilde{P} + z \subset P$  is perfect, and if  $u \in \tilde{P}$  (equivalently,  $u+z \in \tilde{P} + z$ ), then  $u \notin L[x]$ , so  $u+z \notin (R \cap L[x]) + z$ .

A further argument then gives that if  $P \in L[x,y]$  is perfect and  $\{z_0, z_1, \dots\} \in L[x,y] \cap [R]^{\omega}$ ,

\*) "A basis theorem for perfect sets", Bull.

Symb. Logic 4 (2), 1998, pp. 204 — 209. See also my handwritten notes "Górszak ad Słaman on Príkay's problem."

then there is some perfect  $\bar{P} \subset P$ ,  $\bar{P} \in L[x, y]$  s.t.  $\bar{P} \cap \text{span}((R \cap L[x]) \cup \{z_0, z_1, \dots\}) = \emptyset$ .

We may assume of course that if  $z \in \text{span}((R \cap L[x]) \cup \{z_0, \dots\})$ , then  $z \in (R \cap L[x]) + z_n$ , some  $n < \omega$ .

Given  $P$ , we may use the previous observation to construct a sequence of perfect sets,  $P = P_0 \supset P_1 \supset \dots$  s.t. the  $n^{\text{th}}$  level of  $P_{n+1}$  (construed as a perfect tree) = the  $n^{\text{th}}$  level of  $P_n$ , and  $P_{n+1} \cap \text{span}((R \cap L[x]) + z_n) = \emptyset$ .

Setting  $\bar{P} = \bigcap \{P_n : n < \omega\}$ ,  $\bar{P}$  is then perfect, and  $\bar{P} \cap \text{span}((R \cap L[x]) \cup \{z_0, \dots\}) = \emptyset$ .

To show Lemma 5, let  $(P_i : i < \omega_1)$  be a list of all perfect sets of  $L[x, y]$ . Let us work in  $L[x, y]$  and recursively define  $(b_i : i < \omega_1)$ .

Let  $(y_i : i < \omega_1) \in L[x, y]$  denote the reals of  $L[x, y]$ .

given  $(b_j : j < i)$ , we will have that  $\bar{b} = \bigcup \{b_j : j < i\}$  is at most countable. Let  $\bar{P} \subset P_i$  be perfect such that  $\bar{P} \cap \text{span}((R \cap L[x]) \cup \bar{b}) = \emptyset$ , and pick  $\bar{x} \in \bar{P}$ . Let

$$b_i = \begin{cases} \bar{b} \cup \{\bar{x}\} & \text{if } y_i \in \text{span}((R \cap L[x]) \cup b) \\ \bar{b} \cup \{\bar{x}, y_i\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then if  $c \in L[x]$ ,  $L[x] \models "c \text{ is a Hamel basis, } c \supset b"$ , we get that

$$p = c \cup \bigcup \{b_i : i < \omega\}$$

is as desired.  $\dashv$

Lemma 5 shows extensibility: If  $p \in \mathbb{P}_B$  and if  $y$  is a real not in  $\text{span}(p)$ , then there is some  $q \leq p$ ,  $q$  being a Borel basis of  $R \cap L[x, y]$ , where  $L[x] \models "p \text{ is a Borel basis.}"$

Also, Lemma 5 shows that  $\mathbb{P}_B$  is countably closed.

Notice that  $p \in \mathbb{P}_B$  iff  $\exists \vec{x} \in {}^{\omega}\vec{p} \exists \vec{q} \in {}^{\omega}\vec{Q} \varphi(\vec{x}, \vec{q}, p)$ , where  $\varphi$  is  $\text{PT}_2^1$ .

Now let  $g$  be  $S(\omega_1)$ -generic over  $L$ , and let  $b$  be  $\mathbb{P}_B$ -generic over  $L[g]$ . Let

$$N = L(R, b)^{L[g, b]}$$

As  $\mathbb{P}_B$  is  $\omega$ -closed,  $R \cap N = R \cap L[g]$ , so that  $\# N \models "b \text{ is a Bernstein basis.}"$  By Corollary 4,  $N$  has a Luzin as well as a Sierpiński set.

Also,  $N \models \text{ZF + DC}$ .

Lemma 6.  $N \models \text{"There is no well-ordering of the reals."}$

Proof: Let us assume that

$\# L[g, b] \models "\varphi(-, -, \vec{x}, \vec{\alpha}, b) \text{ defines a well-order of } \omega_2,"$

where  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R} \cap L[g, b] = \mathbb{R} \cap L[g]$  and  
 $\vec{\alpha} \in OR$ . Say

$b \ni p \Vdash_{L[g]}^{\mathbb{P}_B}$  " $\varphi(-, -, \vec{x}, \vec{\alpha}, \dot{b})$  defines a w.o. of  $w_2$ ",

where  $\dot{b}$  is the canonical name for the  $\mathbb{P}_B$ -generic Birshtein base. As  $\bar{p} \in \mathbb{P}_B$  iff

$\exists \vec{y} \in \bar{p}^{<\omega} \exists \vec{q} \in \mathbb{Q}^{<\omega} \varphi(\vec{y}, \vec{q}, \bar{p})$ , where  $\varphi$  is  $\Pi_2^1$ , and  
 $\dot{b} = \{(\bar{p}, \vec{p}): \bar{p} \in \mathbb{P}_B\}$ , we may think of  $\dot{b}$   
as being replaced by a  $\Sigma_3^1$  formula with no  
parameters ~~variables~~ in a way that  $(\bar{p}, \vec{p}) \in \dot{b}$  is  
absolute between transfinite class sized models of  
set theory.

$S(w_1)$  is proper (by an argument as for Lemma 2\*),

so we may pick some  $\xi < w_1$  with

$p, \vec{x} \in L[g \upharpoonright \xi]$ . By homogeneity,

$p \Vdash_{L[g \upharpoonright \xi][g \upharpoonright [\xi, w_1]]}^{\mathbb{P}_B}$  " $\varphi(-, -, \vec{x}, \vec{\alpha}, \dot{b})$  defines a w.o. of  $w_2$ "

gives that  $S(w_1)$ -gen. /  $L[g \upharpoonright \xi]$

\*) The argument in fact shows  $S(w_1)$  is axiom A. See p.17.

$\Vdash H \frac{\$_{(w_1)}}{L[g \upharpoonright \xi]} \quad \dot{p} \Vdash H \frac{P_B}{L[g \upharpoonright \xi] \upharpoonright g} \quad "y(-, -, \vec{x}, \vec{\alpha}, \dot{b}) \text{ def. a. w.o. of } w_2"$

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name f. the  $\$_{(w_1)}$ -gen.

where still " $\dot{b}$ " is translated away via the above  $\Sigma_3^1$  formula.

Let  $g^*$  be  $\$_{(w_1)}$ -generic over  $L[g]$  (so that  $g \upharpoonright \{\xi, w_1\}$ ,  $g^*$  are mutually  $\$_{(w_1)}$ -generic over  $L[g \upharpoonright \xi]$ ), and let  $b^*$  be  $P_B$ -generic over  $L[g \upharpoonright \xi, g^*]$ ,  $p \in b^*$ .

We also have

$L[g \upharpoonright \xi, g^*][b^*] \models "y(-, -, \vec{x}, \vec{\alpha}, b^*) \text{ defines a w.o. of } w_2"$

As  $R \cap L[g \upharpoonright \xi, g^*][b^*] = R \cap L[g \upharpoonright \xi, g^*] \neq R \cap L[g] = R \cap L[g] \upharpoonright b$ , there is then some  $\beta$  and some  $n < \omega$  s.t., say,

$L[g, b] \models "(\text{the } \beta^{\text{th}} \text{ elt. of } w_2 \text{ given by } y(-, -, \vec{x}, \vec{\alpha}, \dot{b}))(\eta) = 0,"$  and  
 $L[g \upharpoonright \xi, g^*][b^*] \models "(\text{the } \beta^{\text{th}} \text{ elt. of } w_2 \text{ given by } y(-, -, \vec{x}, \vec{\alpha}, \dot{b}))(\eta) = 1."$

Let  $p_0 \in b$ ,  $p_0 \leq p$ , and  $p_1 \in b^*$ ,  $p_1 \leq p$ ,

be such that

$$p_0 \underset{L[g]}{\overset{P_B}{H}} "(\text{the } \beta^{\text{th}} \text{ elt. of } w_2 \text{ given by } \gamma(-, -, \vec{x}, \vec{\alpha}, \vec{b}))(\vec{u}) = \vec{0}, \text{ and}$$

$$p_1 \underset{L[g \cap \vec{s}, g^*]}{\overset{P_B}{H}} "(\text{the } \beta^{\text{th}} \text{ elt. of } w_2 \text{ given by } \gamma(-, -, \vec{x}, \vec{\alpha}, \vec{b}))(\vec{u}) = \vec{1}."$$

Pick  $\gamma \geq \vec{s}$ ,  $\gamma < w_1$ , s.t.  $p_0 \in L[g \cap \vec{s}]$  and  $p_1 \in L[g \cap \vec{s}, g^* \cap \gamma]$ , say  $\vec{s} + \gamma = \gamma$ . Then

$$\text{II } \underset{L[g \cap \vec{s}]}{\overset{S(w_1)}{H}} p_0 \underset{L[g \cap \vec{s}][g]}{\overset{P_B}{H}} "(\text{the } \beta^{\text{th}} \text{ elt. [...] given by } \gamma(-, -, \vec{x}, \vec{\alpha}, \vec{b}))(\vec{u}) = \vec{0},"$$

$$\text{II } \underset{L[g \cap \vec{s}, g^* \cap \gamma]}{\overset{S(w_1)}{H}} p_1 \underset{L[g \cap \vec{s}, g^* \cap \gamma][g]}{\overset{P_B}{H}} "(\text{---} \parallel \text{---}) (\vec{u}) = \vec{1}."$$

Key Claim.  $p_0 \cup p_1$  is linearly independent.

Proof: We may assume n.l.o.g. that  $L[g \cap \vec{s}] \models$

" $p$  is a Borsuk basis, in particular, a Hamel basis."

If  $p_0 \cup p_1$  were dependent, we had  $\vec{y} \in p$ ,  $\vec{z} \in p_1 \setminus p$ ,  $\vec{u} \in p_1 \setminus p$  and some rationals  $\vec{q}_0, \vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2$  s.t.

$$\sum \vec{q}_0 \vec{y} + \sum \vec{q}_1 \vec{z} + \sum \vec{q}_2 \vec{u} = \vec{0}.$$

$$\text{But then } \sum_{g_0}^{\vec{q}_0} \vec{y} + \sum_{g_1}^{\vec{q}_1} \vec{z} = -\sum_{g_2}^{\vec{q}_2} \vec{u} \in L[g\upharpoonright_\gamma] \cap L[g\upharpoonright_\beta, g^*\upharpoonright_\gamma]$$

$= L[g\upharpoonright_\beta]$  by mutual genericity,

that  $\vec{q}_2 = \vec{0} = \vec{q}_1$ , as  $p$  is a Hamel basis for the reals of  $L[g\upharpoonright_\beta]$ , and hence also  $\vec{q}_0 = \vec{0}$ .  $\dashv$

We may construe  $g\upharpoonright_{[\eta, \omega_1]} \cap g^*$  as  $S(\omega_1)$ -generic over  $L[g\upharpoonright_\gamma]$  and  $g\upharpoonright_{[\beta, \omega_1]} \cap g^*\upharpoonright_{[\eta, \omega_1]}$  as  $S(\omega_1)$ -generic over  $L[g\upharpoonright_\beta, g^*\upharpoonright_\gamma]$ . Then

$p_0 \Vdash \frac{P_B}{L[g]g^*} \text{ "the } \beta^{\text{th}} \text{ ext. of } 2 \text{ given by } \varphi(-, -, \vec{x}, \vec{z}, b))(\vec{u}) = \vec{0}\text{" and}$   
 $p_1 \Vdash \frac{P_B}{L[g]g^*} \text{ " } - \quad - \quad - \quad - \quad )(\vec{u}) = \vec{1}\text{."}$

By the key claim and by Lemma 5, there is  $q \leq p_0, p_1$ ,  $q \in (P_B)^{L[g]g^*}$ . But then  $q$  forces two contradictory statements.  $\dashv$

One can also simultaneously force a Mazurkiewicz set to exist.

The proof of Lemma 2 actually yields the following which readily implies the statement of Lemma 2 as well as the progress of  $\$^{(\omega_1)}$ .

Lemma 7. Let  $\$^{(\omega_1)} \ni p$ ,  $X \subset V_\theta$  countable (with  $\theta \gg \omega_1$ ),  $p \in X$ , and let  $(\tau_n : n < \omega)$  be a sequence of terms for ordinals,  $\{\tau_n : n < \omega\} \subset X$  (possibly, but not necessarily,  $(\tau_n : n < \omega) \in X$ ). There is then some  $q \leq p$  and some  $f \in {}^\omega([X \setminus \{p\}]^{<\omega}) \cap V$  s.t.

$\forall n \quad q \Vdash \tau_n \in f(\check{n}) \quad \text{and}$

$$\overline{f(n)} \leq 2^{2^n}.$$

Proof: Almost literally the same as for Lemma 2, just replacing  $\tau(\check{n})$  by  $\tau_n$ . The proof of Lemma 2 did not make use of the fact that  $(\tau(\check{n}) : n < \omega) \in X$ .  $\dashv$