

**MATH 779, Set Theory, Homework II: Clubs and Jensen's diamonds**

**1. (15 pts)** Let  $\blacklozenge$  be the following statement: There exists a sequence  $(A_\alpha)_{\alpha < \omega_1}$  such that  $A_\alpha \subseteq \alpha$  for all  $\alpha < \omega_1$  and

for all stationary  $A \subseteq \omega_1$  there exists  $\alpha \in A$  with  $A_\alpha = A \cap \alpha$

Show that  $\text{ZFC} + \blacklozenge$  is inconsistent, that is,  $\blacklozenge$  is false.

**2. (15 pts)** Let  $\kappa$  be a regular uncountable cardinal and  $\blacklozenge_\kappa$  be the following statement: There exists a sequence  $(A_\alpha)_{\alpha < \kappa}$  such that  $A_\alpha \subseteq \alpha$  for all  $\alpha < \kappa$  and

$\{\alpha < \kappa : A \cap \alpha = A_\alpha\}$  is stationary in  $\kappa$  for all  $A \subseteq \kappa$

Show that  $\blacklozenge_\kappa$  implies  $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$ .

**3. (15 pts)** Alice and Bob are playing a two-player game of length  $\omega$  by alternately choosing a decreasing sequence of stationary subset of  $\omega_1$ . In other words, a typical play of the game looks as follows.

Alice	$A_0$	$A_2$	$A_4$	$\dots$
Bob	$A_1$	$A_3$	$A_5$	$\dots$

where  $A_n \subseteq \omega_1$  is stationary and  $A_n \supseteq A_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . The winning condition is that Bob wins the game if and only if  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$  has at most one element.

Show that Bob has a winning strategy.

**4. (15 pts)** Let  $\clubsuit$  be the following statement, which is a weakening of  $\blacklozenge$ : There exists a sequence  $(A_\alpha)_{\alpha < \omega_1}$  such that

- $A_\alpha$  is cofinal in  $\alpha$ , for every  $\alpha < \omega_1$ , and
- For every unbounded  $A \subseteq \omega_1$ , there exists  $\delta < \omega_1$  such that  $A_\delta \subseteq A$ .

Show that  $\blacklozenge$  holds if and only if  $\clubsuit$  and CH hold.