

## MODELS OF PA: STANDARD SYTEMS WITHOUT MINIMAL ULTRAFILTERS

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**ABSTRACT.** We prove that  $\mathbb{N}$ , the standard model of arithmetic, has an uncountable elementary extension  $N$  such that there is no ultrafilter on the Boolean Algebra of subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$  represented in  $N$  which is minimal (i.e. as in Rudin-Keisler order for partitions represented in  $N$ ).

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Enayat [1], Question III, asked (see Definition 1.4(1)):

*Question 1.1.* Can we prove in ZFC that there is an arithmetically closed  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$  such that  $\mathcal{A}$  carries no minimal ultrafilter?

He proved the existence of examples, for the stronger notion “2-Ramsey ultrafilter”. In [9] we prove that there is an arithmetically closed Borel set  $\mathbf{B} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$  such that any expansion  $\mathbb{N}^+$  of  $\mathbb{N}$  by any uncountably many members of  $\mathbf{B}$  has this property, i.e. the family of definable subsets of  $\mathbb{N}^+$  carries no 2-Ramsey ultrafilter.

We deal here with Question 1.1, proving that there is such a family of cardinality  $\aleph_1$ , this implies the version in the abstract; (since it is well-known that every arithmetically closed family of cardinality at most  $\aleph_1$  can be realized as the standard system of some elementary extension of  $\mathbb{N}$ , as shown by Knight and Nadel [3]). We use forcing but the result is proved in ZFC. On other problems from [1] see Enayat-Shelah [8] and [7], [9].

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*Notation 1.2.*

- 1) Let  $\text{pr}: \omega \times \omega \rightarrow \omega$  be the standard pairing function (i.e.  $\text{pr}(n, m) = \binom{n+m}{2} + n$ , so one to one onto two-place function).
- 2) Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote a subset of  $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$ .
- 3) Let  $\text{BA}(\mathcal{A})$  be the Boolean algebra which  $\mathcal{A} \cup [\omega]^{<\aleph_0}$  generates.
- 4) Let  $D$  denote a non-principal ultrafilter on  $\mathcal{A}$ , meaning that  $D \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  and there is a unique non-principal ultrafilter  $D'$  on the Boolean algebra  $\text{BA}(\mathcal{A})$  satisfying  $D = D' \cap \mathcal{A}$ , notice that in Definition 1.4 below the distinction between an ultrafilter on  $\mathcal{A}$  and on  $\text{BA}(\mathcal{A})$  makes a difference.
- 5)  $\tau$  denotes a vocabulary extending  $\tau_{\text{PA}} = \tau_{\mathbb{N}} = \{0, 1, +, \times, <\}$ , usually countable.
- 6)  $\text{PA}(\tau)$  is Peano arithmetic for the vocabulary  $\tau$ . A model  $N$  of  $\text{PA}(\tau)$  is called ordinary if  $N \upharpoonright \tau_{\text{PA}}$  extends  $\mathbb{N}$ ; usually the models will be ordinary.
- 7)  $\varphi(N, \bar{a})$  is  $\{b : N \models \varphi[b, \bar{a}]\}$  where  $\varphi(x, \bar{y}) \in \mathbb{L}(\tau_N)$  and  $\bar{a} \in {}^{\ell g(\bar{y})}N$ .
- 8)  $\text{Sym}(A)$  is the set (or group) of permutations of  $N$ .
- 9) For sets  $u, v$  of ordinals let  $\text{OP}_{v,u}$ , “the order preserving function from  $u$  to  $v$ ” be defined by:  $\text{OP}_{v,u}(\alpha) = \beta$  iff  $\beta \in v, \alpha \in u$  and  $\text{otp}(v \cap \beta) = \text{otp}(u \cap \alpha)$ .
- 10) We say  $u, v \subseteq \text{Ord}$  form a  $\Delta$ -system pair when  $\text{otp}(u) = \text{otp}(v)$  and  $\text{OP}_{v,u}$  is the identity on  $u \cap v$ .

**Definition 1.3.** 1) For  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$  let  $\text{ar-cl}(\mathcal{A}) = \{B \subseteq \omega : B \text{ is first order defined in } (\mathbb{N}, A_1, \dots, A_n) \text{ for some } n < \omega \text{ and } A_1, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{A}\}$ . This is called the arithmetic closure of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

2) For a model  $N$  of  $\text{PA}(\tau)$  let the standard system of  $N$ ,  $\text{SSy}(N)$  be  $\{\varphi(M, \bar{a}) \cap \mathbb{N} : \varphi(x, \bar{y}) \in \mathbb{L}(\tau) \text{ and } \bar{a} \in {}^{\ell g(\bar{y})}M\}$  so  $\subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$  for any ordinary model  $M$  isomorphic to  $N$ , see 1.2(6).

**Definition 1.4.** Let  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ .

0) Let  $\text{cd}_0 : \mathcal{H}(\aleph_0) \rightarrow \omega$  be one to one, and interpreting  $\mathcal{H}(\aleph_0)$  inside  $\mathbb{N}$  it is (first order) definable by a bounded formula in  $\mathbb{N}$ , i.e.  $\{\text{cd}_0(x, y) : x \in y \in \mathcal{H}(\aleph_0)\}$  is, and it maps  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  into  $\mathbb{N}$ . For  $h \in {}^\omega \omega$  let  $\text{cd}(h) = \{\text{pr}(n, h(n)) : n < \omega\}$ , where  $\text{pr}$  is the standard pairing function of  $\omega$ , see 1.2(1) and generally for  $H \subseteq \mathcal{H}(\aleph_0)$  we let  $\text{cd}(H) := \{\text{cd}_0(x) : x \in H\}$ ; this applies, e.g. to  $h \in {}^{[\omega]^k} \omega$ .

1)  $D$ , an ultrafilter on  $\mathcal{A}$ , is called minimal when: if  $h \in {}^\omega \omega$  and  $\text{cd}(h) \in \mathcal{A}$  then for some  $X \in D$  we have  $h \upharpoonright X$  is constant or one-to-one.

2)  $D$ , an ultrafilter on  $\mathcal{A}$ , is called Ramsey when: if  $k < \omega$  and  $h : [\omega]^k \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  and  $\text{cd}(h) \in \mathcal{A}$  then for some  $X \in D$  we have  $h \upharpoonright [X]^k$  is constant. Similarly  $k$ -Ramsey.

3)  $D$ , a non-principal ultrafilter on  $\mathcal{A}$  is called a  $Q$ -point when if  $h \in {}^\omega \omega$  is increasing and  $\text{cd}(h) \in \mathcal{A}$  then for some increasing sequence  $\langle n_i : i < \omega \rangle$  we have  $i < \omega \Rightarrow h(2i) \leq n_i < h(2i+1)$  and  $\{n_i : i < \omega\} \in D$ .

*Remark 1.5.* In [9] we also use the following notions:

1)  $D$  is called 2.5-Ramsey or self-definably closed when: if  $\bar{h} = \langle h_i : i < \omega \rangle$  and  $h_i \in {}^\omega(i+1)$  and  $\text{cd}(\bar{h}) = \{\text{cd}(i, \text{cd}(n, h_i(n))) : i < \omega, n < \omega\}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{A}$  then for

some  $g \in {}^\omega\omega$  we have:  $\text{cd}(g) \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $(\forall i)[g(i) \leq i \wedge \{n < \omega : h_i(n) = g(i)\} \in D]$ ; this follows from 3-Ramsey and implies 2-Ramsey.

2)  $D$  is weakly definably closed when: if  $\langle A_i : i < \omega \rangle$  is a sequence of subsets of  $\omega$  and  $\{\text{pr}(n, i) : n \in A_i \text{ and } i < \omega\} \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $\{i : A_i \in D\} \in D$ , (follows from 2-Ramsey).

**Definition 1.6.** 1)  $\mathbb{L}(\mathbf{Q})$  is first order logic when we add the quantifier  $\mathbf{Q}$  where  $(\mathbf{Q}x)\varphi$  means that there are uncountable many  $x$ 's satisfying  $\varphi$ .

2)  $\mathbb{L}_{\omega_1, \omega}(\mathbf{Q})$  is defined parallelly.

See on those logics Keisler [2]. We shall use Laver forcing in the proof of Theorem 2.1, so let us define this forcing notion.

**Definition 1.7.** Let  $T \subseteq {}^{\omega>} \omega$  be a subtree. For  $a \in T$  let  $\text{suc}_T(a) = \{a \hat{\ } i \in T : i \in \omega\}$ . The trunk  $\text{tr}(T)$  of  $T$  is a maximal element  $a \in T$  such that  $a \leq_T b$  or  $b \leq_T a$  for every  $b \in T$ .

Such a tree  $T$  will be called a Laver tree iff  $s = \text{tr}(T)$  and for every  $t \in T$  such that  $s \leq t$ , the set  $\text{suc}_T(t)$  is infinite.

We define the forcing notion  $\mathbb{Q}$  (= Laver forcing) as follows. A condition  $T \in \mathbb{Q}$  is a Laver tree. If  $S, T \in \mathbb{Q}$  then  $S \leq_{\mathbb{Q}} T$  iff  $S \supseteq T$ . If  $\mathbf{G} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$  is generic, then  $\eta[\mathbf{G}] := \{a \in {}^{\omega>} \omega : \exists T \in \mathbf{G}, a \text{ is the trunk of } T\}$  will be called a Laver real.

**Claim 1.8.** If  $\boxtimes$  then  $\boxplus$  where:

- $\boxtimes$  (a)  $\bar{\mathbb{Q}} = \langle \mathbb{P}_\alpha, \mathbb{Q}_\beta : \alpha \leq \alpha(*), \beta < \alpha(*) \rangle$  is a CS iteration
- (b)  $k(*) < \omega$  and  $\beta(k) < \alpha(*) < \omega_1$  for  $k < k(*)$
- (c) each  $\mathbb{Q}_\alpha$  is a Laver forcing (in  $\mathbf{V}^{\mathbb{P}_\alpha}$ ) and  $\eta_\alpha$  its generic
- (d)  $h \in ({}^\omega\omega)^{\mathbf{V}}$
- (e)  $p \in \mathbb{P}_{\alpha(*)}$
- (f)  $p \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}_{\alpha(*)}} \text{“}\underline{B}_k \subseteq \omega \text{ and } |\underline{B}_k \cap [\eta_{\beta(k)}(n+1), \eta_{\beta(k)}(n+2)]| \leq h(\eta_{\beta(k)}(n)) \text{ for every } n \text{ large enough” for } k < k(*)$
- $\boxplus$  for some  $p_1, p_2$  and  $B_k^*$  for  $k < k(*)$  we have
  - (a)  $\mathbb{P}_{\alpha(*)} \Vdash \text{“}p \leq p_\ell \text{” for } \ell = 1, 2$
  - (b)  $B_k^* \subseteq \omega$  (from  $\mathbf{V}$ )
  - (c)  $p_1 \Vdash \text{“}\underline{B}_k \subseteq^* B_k^* \text{”}$
  - (d)  $p_2 \Vdash \text{“}\underline{B}_k \subseteq^* (\omega \setminus B_k^*) \text{”}$ .

*Proof.* 1.8 Clearly letting  $\underline{B}_* = \cup\{\underline{B}_k : k < k(*)\}$  we have

- (\*)  $p \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}_{\alpha(*)}} \text{“for every large enough } n \text{ the set } \underline{B}_* \cap [\eta_0(n+1), \eta_0(n+2)] \text{ has } \leq \eta_0(n) \text{ members”}$ .

Now by the properties of iterating Laver forcing ([4] or see [5, Ch. VI]), we have:

(\*) if  $\mathbf{G}_1 \subseteq \mathbb{P}_1$  is generic over  $\mathbf{V}$  and  $\eta = \eta_0[\mathbf{G}_1]$  then

$\Vdash_{\mathbb{P}_{\alpha(*)}/\mathbf{G}_1}$  “if  $\underline{B} \subseteq \omega$  and in  $\underline{B} \cap [\eta(n), \eta(n+1))$  there are  $\leq \eta(n)$  elements for every  $n$  large enough then for some  $B' \in \mathbf{V}[\mathbf{G}_1]$ ,  $B' \subseteq \omega$ ,  $\underline{B} \subseteq B'$  and  $B' \cap [\eta(n), \eta(n+1))$  has  $\leq (\eta(n))^n$  members for every  $n$  large enough”.

Now this applies in particular to  $\underline{B} = \underline{B}_*$  getting  $B'$ . Hence without loss of generality  $\alpha(*) = 1$  so we can replace  $\mathbb{P}_1$  by  $\mathbb{Q}_0$ , Laver forcing; also for a dense set of  $p \in \mathbb{Q}_0$  we have: if  $\eta \in p$  is of length  $n+1$  so an increasing sequence of natural numbers, then  $p^{[\eta]} := \{v \in p : v \triangleleft \eta \text{ or } \eta \triangleleft v\}$  forces a value  $b_\eta$  to  $\underline{B}' \cap [0, \eta(n))$  so necessarily  $|b_\eta| \leq \eta(n-1)$  when  $n > 1$ .

By thinning  $p$ , without loss of generality if  $\eta \in p$  and  $u_\eta = \{n : \eta \hat{\ } \langle n \rangle \in p\}$  is infinite (equivalently is not a singleton) then  $\langle b_{\eta \hat{\ } \langle n \rangle} : n \in u_\eta \rangle$  is a  $\Delta$ -system.

The rest of the proof should be easy, too.  $\square$

## 2. NO MINIMAL ULTRAFILTER ON THE STANDARD SYSTEM

**Theorem 2.1.** *Assume that  $\mathbb{N}_*$  is an expansion of  $\mathbb{N}$  with countable vocabulary or  $\mathbb{N}_*$  is an ordinary model of  $PA_\tau$ , for some countable  $\tau \supseteq \tau_{PA}$  such that  $\mathbb{N}_*$  is countable. Then there is  $M$  such that*

- (a)  $\mathbb{N}_* \prec M$
- (b)  $\|M\| = \aleph_1$
- (c)  $SSy(M)$ , the standard system of  $M$ , see Definition 1.3, has no minimal ultrafilter on it, see Definition 1.4; moreover
- (d) there is no  $Q$ -point on  $SSy(M)$
- (e)  $SSy(M)$  is arithmetically closed.

*Proof.* 2.1

Stage A:

Without loss of generality  $\mathbb{N}_*$  is the Skolem Hull of  $\emptyset$  as we can expand it by  $\aleph_0$  individual constants.

We shall choose a sentence  $\psi \in \mathbb{L}_{\omega_1, \omega}(\mathbf{Q})(\tau^*)$  with  $\tau^* \supseteq \tau(\mathbb{N}_*)$  and prove that it has a model, and for every model  $M^+$  of  $\psi$ , the model  $M^+ \upharpoonright \tau(\mathbb{N}_*)$  is as required. By the completeness theorem for  $\mathbb{L}_{\omega_1, \omega}(\mathbf{Q})$  it is enough to prove that  $\psi$  has a model in some forcing extension; of course it is crucial that  $\psi$  can be explicitly defined hence  $\in \mathbf{V}$ .

Stage B:

Recall  $cd = cd_0 : \mathcal{H}(\aleph_0) \rightarrow \omega$  be one-to-one onto and definable in  $\mathbb{N}$  by a bounded formula in the natural sense; see 1.4.

Let  $\mathbf{V}_0 = \mathbf{V}$  and  $\lambda = (2^{\aleph_0})^+$ .

Let  $\mathbb{R}_0 = \text{Levy}(\aleph_1, 2^{\aleph_0})$ , let  $\mathbf{G}_0 \subseteq \mathbb{R}_0$  be generic over  $\mathbf{V}_0$  and let  $\mathbf{V}_1 = \mathbf{V}_0[\mathbf{G}_0]$ , i.e. in  $\mathbf{V}_0^{\mathbb{R}_0}$  we have CH.

In  $\mathbf{V}_1$  we have  $\lambda = \aleph_2$  and let  $\mathbb{R}_1$  be  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}$  where  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2} = \langle \mathbb{P}_\alpha, \mathbb{Q}_\beta : \alpha \leq \omega_2, \beta < \omega_2 \rangle$  is a CS iteration, each  $\mathbb{Q}_\alpha$  is a Laver forcing; there are many other possibilities, let  $\eta_\alpha \in {}^\omega\omega$  (increasing) be the  $\mathbb{P}_{\alpha+1}$ -name of the  $\mathbb{Q}_\alpha$ -generic real and  $\nu_\alpha = \langle \text{cd}(\eta_\alpha \upharpoonright n) : n < \omega \rangle$ . Let  $\mathbf{G}_1 \subseteq \mathbb{R}_1$  be generic over  $\mathbf{V}_1$  and  $\mathbf{V}_2 = \mathbf{V}_1[\mathbf{G}_1]$  and let  $\eta_\alpha = \eta_\alpha[\mathbf{G}_1]$ ,  $\nu_\alpha = \langle \text{cd}(\eta_\alpha \upharpoonright n) : n < \omega \rangle = \nu_\alpha[\mathbf{G}_1]$ .

Let  $D^2$  be a non-principal ultrafilter on  $\omega$  in the universe  $\mathbf{V}_2$ .

$\boxplus_1$  In the universe  $\mathbf{V}_2$  let  $M_1 = \mathbb{N}_*/D^2$ , let  $a_\alpha = \eta_\alpha/D^2 \in M_1$

and note

$\boxplus_2$   $\text{SSy}(M_1) = \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})^{\mathbf{V}_2}$  hence is arithmetically closed

$\boxplus_3$  let  $f_1 \in \mathbf{V}_2$  be the function from  $\lambda = \omega_2^{\mathbf{V}_1} = \omega_2^{\mathbf{V}_2}$  into  $M_1$  defined by  $f_1(\alpha) = a_\alpha$ .

**Stage C:**

In  $\mathbf{V}_1$  (yes, not in  $\mathbf{V}_2$ ) let the forcing notion  $\mathbb{R}_2 := \mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}^+$  and the set  $K$  be defined as follows (so  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbf{V}_1$  below, which is equivalent to  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbf{V}_0$ , similarly for  $u$ ; so in  $\boxplus_4(\alpha), \underline{A}$  is a  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}$ -name):

$\boxplus_4$  ( $\alpha$ )  $K := \{(\alpha, u, \underline{A}) : u \subseteq \lambda \text{ is countable, } \alpha \in u, \underline{A} = \mathbf{B}(\dots, \eta_\beta, \dots)_{\beta \in u},$   
 $\mathbf{B}$  a Borel function from  ${}^{\text{otp}(u)}({}^\omega\omega)$  to  $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$  such that  
 $\Vdash_{\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}} \text{“}\underline{A} \cap [\eta_\alpha(n+1), \eta_\alpha(n+2)] \text{ has } \leq \eta_\alpha(n) \text{ members; more-}$   
over  
 $0 = \lim_n (|\underline{A} \cap [\eta_\alpha(n+1), \eta_\alpha(n+2)] / \eta_\alpha(n)| \text{”}\}$

( $\beta$ )  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}^+$  iff

(a)  $\mathbf{p} = (p, h) = (p_{\mathbf{p}}, h_{\mathbf{p}})$

(b)  $p \in \mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}$

(c)  $h$  a function from some finite subset  $K_{\mathbf{p}}$  of  $K$  to  $\omega_1$

(d) if  $(\alpha_\ell, u_\ell, \underline{A}_\ell) \in K_{\mathbf{p}}$  for  $\ell = 1, 2$  and  $h(\alpha_1, u_1, \underline{A}_1) = h(\alpha_2, u_2, \underline{A}_2)$   
and  $u_1 \subseteq \alpha_2$  then  $p \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}} \text{“}\underline{A}_1 \cap \underline{A}_2 \text{ is finite”}$

( $\gamma$ )  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}^+ \models \mathbf{p} \leq \mathbf{q}$  iff:

(a)  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2} \models p_{\mathbf{p}} \leq p_{\mathbf{q}}$

(b)  $h_{\mathbf{p}} \subseteq h_{\mathbf{q}}$ .

Now

(\*)<sub>0</sub> if  $p \in \mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}$ ,  $\alpha < \omega_2$  and  $p \Vdash \text{“}\underline{A} \subseteq \omega \text{ satisfies } \underline{A} \cap [\eta_\alpha(n+1), \eta_\alpha(n+2)] \text{ has } \leq \eta_\alpha(n) \text{ members for every } n \text{ large enough and } 0 = \lim \langle |\underline{A} \cap [\eta_\alpha(n+1), \eta_\alpha(n+2)] / \eta_\alpha(n) : n < \omega \rangle \text{”}$  then we can find a triple  $(q, u, \underline{A}')$  such that

( $\alpha$ )  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2} \models \text{“}p \leq q\text{”}$

- (β)  $\text{Dom}(q) = u$
- (γ)  $u$  a countable set of ordinals  $< \lambda$  (in  $\mathbf{V}_1$  equivalently in  $\mathbf{V}_0$ )
- (δ)  $q \Vdash \text{“}\underline{A} = \underline{A}'\text{”}$
- (ε)  $\underline{A}' = \mathbf{B}(\dots, \eta_{\alpha_i}, \dots)_{i < \text{otp}(u)}$  where  $\alpha_i$  is the  $i$ -th member of  $u$ , for some Borel function  $\mathbf{B}$  from  ${}^{\text{otp}(u)}(\omega^\omega)$  to  $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$  so  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbf{V}_1$  equivalently  $\mathbf{V}_0$
- (ζ)  $q(\alpha_i) = \mathbf{B}_i(\dots, \eta_{\alpha_j}, \dots)_{j < i}$  for every  $i < \text{otp}(u)$  for some Borel function  $\mathbf{B}_i$  from  ${}^i(\omega^\omega)$  to Laver forcing, of course,  $\mathbf{B}_i$  is from  $\mathbf{V}_0$ .

[Why? Standard proof.]

(\*)<sub>1</sub>  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}^+$  satisfies the  $\aleph_2$ -c.c.

[Why? We need a property of the iteration  $\langle \mathbb{P}_\alpha, \mathbb{Q}_\beta : \alpha \leq \omega_2, \beta < \omega_2 \rangle$  stated in Claim 1.8. In more detail, given a sequence  $\langle \mathbf{p}_\alpha : \alpha < \omega_2 \rangle$  of members of  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}^+$ , for each  $\alpha < \omega_2$ , let  $\mathbf{p}_\alpha = (p_\alpha, h_\alpha)$ ; and without loss of generality for each  $(\alpha_1^*, u_1^*, \underline{A}_1^*) \in K_{\mathbf{p}_\alpha}$  for some  $u^1, \underline{A}^1$ , the tuple  $(p_\alpha, u, \underline{A}^1)$  is like  $(q, u, \underline{A}')$  in (\*), (β) – (ζ) and  $(\alpha, u, \underline{A}) \in \text{Dom}(h_\alpha) \Rightarrow u \subseteq \text{Dom}(p_\alpha)$ . Letting  $u_\alpha = \text{Dom}(p_\alpha)$ , we can find a stationary  $S \subseteq \{\delta < \omega_2 : \text{cf}(\delta) = \aleph_1\}$  and  $p_*, \gamma(*)$  such that:

- $u_\delta \cap \delta = u_*$  for  $\delta \in S$  and  $u_\alpha \subseteq \delta$  for  $\alpha < \delta \in S$
- $p_\delta \upharpoonright \delta \leq p_* \in \mathbb{P}_\delta$  for  $\delta \in S$
- without loss of generality  $p_\delta \upharpoonright \delta = p_*$  for  $\delta \in S$
- $\text{otp}(u_\delta) = \gamma(*)$  for  $\delta \in S$
- if  $\delta_1, \delta_2 \in S$  then the order preserving function  $\text{OP}_{u_{\delta_2}, u_{\delta_1}}$  from  $u_{\delta_1}$  onto  $u_{\delta_2}$  maps  $\mathbf{p}_{\delta_1}$  to  $\mathbf{p}_{\delta_2}$ .

Let  $\delta(*) = \text{Min}(S)$  and  $\mathbf{G}_{\delta(*)}^1 \subseteq \mathbb{P}_{\delta(*)}$  be generic over  $\mathbf{V}_1$  such that  $p_* \in \mathbf{G}_{\delta(*)}^1$ . Now we apply the conclusion of Claim 1.8 to  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}/\mathbf{G}_{\delta(*)}^1$ , the rest should be clear.

For  $\delta \in S$ , let  $\alpha_\delta = \text{otp}(u_\delta \setminus \delta_*)$ ,  $\mathbf{h}_\delta$  be the order preserving function from  $\alpha_\delta$  onto  $u_\delta \setminus \delta$  and  $(p'_\delta, h'_\delta) \in \mathbb{P}_{\alpha_\delta}$  be such that  $\mathbf{h}_\delta$  maps  $(p'_\delta, h'_\delta)$  to  $(p_\delta, h_\delta)$ . Clearly  $\alpha_\delta, p'_\delta, h'_\delta$  are the same for all  $\delta \in S$  so call them  $\alpha(*), p', h'$  and applying 1.8 with  $p', (\{\alpha, \underline{A}\})$ : for some  $u$  the tuple  $(\alpha, u, \underline{A})$  belongs to  $\text{Dom}(h)$  here stands for  $p, \{(\alpha_k, \underline{\beta}_k) : k < k(*)\}$  there and get  $p'_1, p'_2$  as there.

Let  $\delta_1 < \delta_2$  be from  $S$ , let  $q_{\delta_1}$  be  $\mathbf{h}_{\delta_1}(p'_1), q_{\delta_2}$  be  $\mathbf{h}_{\delta_2}(p'_2)$ . Easily  $p_{\delta_1} \leq q_{\delta_1}$  and  $q_{\delta_1} \cup q_{\delta_2}$  is a common upper bound of  $p_{\delta_1}, p_{\delta_2}$  in  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}^+/\mathbf{G}_{\delta(*)}^1$ .

(\*)<sub>2</sub>  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}^+$  collapses  $\omega_1$  to  $\aleph_0$ .

[Why? Easy but we can also use  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}^+ \times \text{Levy}(\aleph_0, \aleph_1)$  instead of  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}^+$ .]

(\*)<sub>3</sub> the function  $p \mapsto (p, \emptyset)$  is a complete embedding of  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}$  into  $\mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}^+$ .

[Why? Should be clear.]

Stage D: Let  $\mathbf{G}_2 = \mathbf{G}_1^+ \subseteq \mathbb{P}_{\omega_2}^+$  be generic over  $\mathbf{V}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{V}_3 = \mathbf{V}_1[\mathbf{G}_2]$  and by (\*)<sub>3</sub> without loss of generality  $\mathbf{G}_1 = \{p : (p, h) \in \mathbf{G}_2\}$ . So  $\mathbf{V}_3 = \mathbf{V}_1[\mathbf{G}_2]$  is a generic extension of  $\mathbf{V}_2$  and let  $f_2 = \cup\{h : (p, h) \in \mathbf{G}_2\}$ .

So

(\*)<sub>4</sub> in  $\mathbf{V}_3$  if  $f_2(\alpha_1, u_1, A_1) = f_2(\alpha_2, u_2, A_2)$  and  $u_1 \subseteq \alpha_2$ , then  $A_1[\mathbf{G}_1] \cap A_2[\mathbf{G}_1]$  is finite.

In  $\mathbf{V}_3$  let  $M_2$  be an elementary submodel of  $(\mathcal{H}(\beth_\omega), \in, \dots, \mathbf{V}_\ell \cap \mathcal{H}(\beth_\omega), \dots)_{\ell=0,1,2}$  of cardinality  $\lambda = \aleph_1^{\mathbf{V}_3}$  which includes the sets  $\{\alpha : \alpha \leq \lambda\} = \{\alpha : \alpha \leq \omega_1^{\mathbf{V}_3}\}$ ,  $\{M_1, f_1, f_2, \mathbf{G}_0, \mathbf{G}_1, \mathbf{G}_2\}$  and (the universe of)  $M_1$ , see end of stage B, note that  $\|M_2\| \subseteq |M_2|$ .

Let  $f_0$  be a one-to-one function from  $M_1$  onto  $M_2$ , let  $M_3$  be a model such that  $f_0$  is an isomorphism from  $M_1$  onto  $M_3$ . Lastly, let  $M_4$  be  $M_3$  expanded by  $c_0 = \lambda = \omega_2^{\mathbf{V}_1} = \omega_1^{\mathbf{V}_3}$ ,  $c_1^{M_4} = \omega_1^{\mathbf{V}_1}$ ,  $c_2^{M_4} = M_1$ ,  $d_{0,\ell}^{M_4} = \mathbf{G}_\ell$ ,  $d_{1,\ell} = \mathbb{R}_\ell$ ,  $d^{M_4} = \mathbb{N}_*$ ,  $\langle d_{2,n}^{M_4} : n < \omega \rangle$  list the members of  $\mathbb{N}_*$ ,  $Q_0^{M_4} = |\mathbb{N}_*|$ ,  $\in^{M_2} = \in^{\mathbf{V}_3} \upharpoonright |M_2|$ ,  $F_0^M = f_0$ ,  $F_1^{M_4} = f_0 \circ f_1$ , see end of Stage B,  $F_2^{M_4} = f_2$ ,  $P_\ell^M = \mathbf{V}_\ell \cap M_2$  for  $\ell = 0, 1, 2$  (so  $F_\ell$  is a unary function symbol,  $P_\ell$  is a unary predicate) and lastly  $<_*^M$ , a linear order of  $|M_2| = |M_4|$  of order type  $\omega_1^{\mathbf{V}_3}$ .

We define the sentence  $\psi$ : it is the conjunction of the following countable sets and singletons of sentences of  $\mathbb{L}_{\aleph_1, \aleph_0}(\mathbf{Q})$  in the vocabulary  $\tau(M_4)$  such that  $M^+ \models \psi$  iff:

- (A)  $M^+ \upharpoonright \tau(\mathbb{N}_*)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{N}_*$ , of course,  $M^+ \upharpoonright \tau(\mathbb{N}_*)$  has universe  $Q_0^{M^+}$
- (B)  $M^+$  is uncountable, moreover  $M^+ \models (\mathbf{Q}x) (x \text{ an ordinal } < c_0)$
- (C)  $<_*^{M^+}$  is a linear order
- (D) every proper initial segment by  $<_*^{M^+}$  is countable
- (E)  $(|M^+|, \in^{M^+})$  is a model  $\text{ZFC}^-$  (even a model of  $\text{Th}(\mathcal{H}(\beth_\omega)^{\mathbf{V}_3}, \in)$ )
- (F) the function  $F_1^{M^+} : \{a : M^+ \models \text{“}a \text{ an ordinal } < c_0\text{”}\} \rightarrow M^+$  is one-to-one
- (G)  $M^+ \models \text{“}K \text{ is as above”}$
- (H)  $F_2^{M^+} : K^{M^+} \rightarrow \{a : M^+ \models \text{“}a \text{ an ordinal } < c_1\text{”}\}$  is as above
- (I)  $M^+ \models \text{“for every } B \text{ we have } B \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}) \wedge P_2(B) \text{ iff } B = A \cap \mathbb{N} \text{ for some definable subset of } A \text{ in the model } c_2\text{”}$ .

It is easy to check that

(\*)<sub>5</sub>  $\psi \in \mathbf{V}_0$

(\*)<sub>6</sub>  $M_4 \models \psi$  in  $\mathbf{V}_3$ .

Hence as the completeness theorem for  $\mathbb{L}_{\omega_1, \omega}(\mathbf{Q})$  gives absoluteness

(\*)<sub>7</sub>  $\psi$  has a model in  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{V}_0$  call it  $M_5$ .

By renaming without loss of generality

- (\*)<sub>8</sub> (a) if  $M_5 \models \text{“}a \text{ is the } n\text{-th natural number”}$  then  $a = n$
- (b) if  $M_5 \models \text{“}A \subseteq \omega\text{”}$  then  $A = \{n : M_5 \models \text{“}n \in A\text{”}\}$
- (c) if  $M_5 \models \text{“}b \in {}^\omega\omega\text{”}$  then  $b = \{(n_1, n_2) : M_5 \models f(n_1) = n_2\}$

- (\*)<sub>9</sub> let  $N'_* = M_5 \upharpoonright \tau(\mathbb{N}_*)$ , so isomorphic to  $N_*$ , let  $N = M_5 \upharpoonright \{\in\}$
- (\*)<sub>10</sub> (a) let  $M'_1$  be  $c_2^{M_5}$  naturally defined  
 (b) so  $M = M'_1$  is a model of  $\text{Th}(N'_*) = \text{Th}(N_*)$ ,  $N'_* \prec M'_1$  and  $\|M'_1\| = \aleph_1$   
 (c) let  $\mathcal{A}$  be  $\text{SSy}(M)$ , the standard system of  $M$
- Clearly
- (\*)<sub>11</sub> (a)  $N \models \text{“}ZC\text{”}$   
 (b)  $M$  is a model of  $\text{Th}(\mathbb{N}_*)$  and  $N_* \prec M$
- (\*)<sub>12</sub> let  $\mathbb{R}'_\ell = d_{1,\ell}^{M_5}$  and  $\mathbf{G}'_\ell = d_{2,\ell}^{M_5}$  and let  $\mathbf{V}'_\ell = (P_\ell^{M_5}, \in^{M_5})$  for  $\ell = 0, 1, 2$ .

### Stage E:

Clearly  $M$  is an uncountable elementary extension of  $\mathbb{N}_*$ , by clauses (A),(B) of Stage D and without loss of generality  $\|M\| = \aleph_1$ , so  $M$  satisfies clauses (a),(b) of Theorem 2.1. To prove clause (e) recall  $\boxplus_2$  and clause (I) above hence  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$  is arithmetically closed; this implies  $\mathcal{A}$  is a Boolean subalgebra. Also clause (d) implies clause (c), anyhow to prove them, assume toward contradiction that  $D$  is an ultrafilter on  $\mathcal{A}$  which is minimal or just a  $Q$ -point. Let  $X = \{a : N \models \text{“}a \text{ is an ordinal } < \omega_1\text{”}\}$ , so  $X$  is really an uncountable set. For each  $a \in X$  define a sequence  $\rho_a \in {}^\omega\omega$  by  $\rho_a(n) = k$  iff  $M^+ \models \text{“}F_1(a)(n) = k\text{”}$ .

Clearly  $\rho_a$  is an increasing sequence in  ${}^\omega\omega$ , hence by the assumption toward contradiction, there is  $A_a \in D \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  such that  $A_a \cap [\rho_a(n+1), \rho_a(n+2))$  has at most one element (or just  $\leq \rho_a(n)$  elements) for each  $n < \omega$ .

So for some element  $A_a$  of  $N$ ,  $N \models \text{“}A_a \text{, in } \mathbf{V}'_1 \text{, is a } \mathbb{R}_1\text{-name of a subset of } \omega \text{ and } A_a[\mathbf{G}'_1] = A_a\text{”}$ .

Clearly  $M^+ \models \text{“for some countable subset } u \text{ of } \omega_2^{\mathbf{V}'_1} = \omega_1^{\mathbf{V}'_3} \text{ from } \mathbf{V}'_1 \text{ and Borel function } \mathbf{B} \text{ from } \mathbf{V}'_1 \text{ we have } A_a = \mathbf{B}_a(\dots, \rho_b, \dots)_{b \in u_a} \text{ (so some } p \in \mathbf{G}'_2 \text{ forces } A_a \text{ satisfies this)”}$ . So using  $F_2^{M^+}$  there are  $a_1 \neq a_2$  from  $X$  such that the parallel clause  $(\beta)(d)$  of stage C holds, see clause (G) of stage D, so two members of  $D$  are almost disjoint, contradiction.  $\square$

*Remark 2.2.* 1) Note that in 2.1 we can replace  $\mathbb{Q}_0$  by any forcing notion similar enough, see [6].

2) We can strengthen 2.1 by replacing “ $Q$ -point” by a weaker statement.

Similarly we can weaken the demands on how “thin” is  $\mathcal{B}$  in 1.8 and in the proof of 2.1.

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