

## On full Souslin trees

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### **Abstract**

In the present note we answer a question of Kunen (15.13 in [Mi91]) showing (in 1.7) that

it is consistent that there are full Souslin trees.

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## 0 Introduction

In the present paper we answer a combinatorial question of Kunen listed in Arnie Miller's Problem List. We force, e.g. for the first strongly inaccessible Mahlo cardinal  $\lambda$ , a full (see 1.1(2))  $\lambda$ -Souslin tree and we remark that the existence of such trees follows from  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{L}$  (if  $\lambda$  is Mahlo strongly inaccessible). This answers [Mi91, Problem 15.13].

Our notation is rather standard and compatible with those of classical textbooks on Set Theory. However, in forcing considerations, we keep the older tradition that

*a stronger condition is the larger one.*

We will keep the following conventions concerning use of symbols.

- Notation 0.1**
1.  $\lambda, \mu$  will denote cardinal numbers and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, \xi, \zeta$  will be used to denote ordinals.
  2. Sequences (not necessarily finite) of ordinals are denoted by  $\nu, \eta, \rho$  (with possible indexes).
  3. The length of a sequence  $\eta$  is  $\ell g(\eta)$ .
  4. For a sequence  $\eta$  and an ordinal  $\alpha \leq \ell g(\eta)$ ,  $\eta \upharpoonright \alpha$  is the restriction of the sequence  $\eta$  to  $\alpha$  (so  $\ell g(\eta \upharpoonright \alpha) = \alpha$ ). If a sequence  $\nu$  is a proper initial segment of a sequence  $\eta$  then we write  $\nu \triangleleft \eta$  (and  $\nu \trianglelefteq \eta$  has the obvious meaning).
  5. A tilde indicates that we are dealing with a name for an object in forcing extension (like  $x$ ).

## 1 Full $\lambda$ -Souslin trees

A subset  $T$  of  ${}^{\alpha}2$  is an  $\alpha$ -tree whenever ( $\alpha$  is a limit ordinal and) the following three conditions are satisfied:

- $\langle \rangle \in T$ , if  $\nu \triangleleft \eta \in T$  then  $\nu \in T$ ,
- $\eta \in T$  implies  $\eta \widehat{\langle 0 \rangle}, \eta \widehat{\langle 1 \rangle} \in T$ , and
- for every  $\eta \in T$  and  $\beta < \alpha$  such that  $\ell g(\eta) \leq \beta$  there is  $\nu \in T$  such that  $\eta \trianglelefteq \nu$  and  $\ell g(\eta) = \beta$ .

A  $\lambda$ -Souslin tree is a  $\lambda$ -tree  $T \subseteq {}^{\lambda}2$  in which every antichain is of size less than  $\lambda$ .

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**Definition 1.1** 1. For a tree  $T \subseteq {}^\alpha 2$  and an ordinal  $\beta \leq \alpha$  we let

$$T_{[\beta]} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} T \cap {}^\beta 2 \quad \text{and} \quad T_{[<\beta]} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} T \cap {}^{\beta} 2.$$

If  $\delta \leq \alpha$  is limit then we define

$$\lim_\delta T_{[<\delta]} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\eta \in {}^\delta 2 : (\forall \beta < \delta)(\eta \upharpoonright \beta \in T)\}.$$

2. An  $\alpha$ -tree  $T$  is full if for every limit ordinal  $\delta < \alpha$  the set  $\lim_\delta(T_{[<\delta]}) \setminus T_{[\delta]}$  has at most one element.
3. An  $\alpha$ -tree  $T \subseteq {}^\alpha 2$  has true height  $\alpha$  if for every  $\eta \in T$  there is  $\nu \in {}^\alpha 2$  such that

$$\eta \triangleleft \nu \quad \text{and} \quad (\forall \beta < \alpha)(\nu \upharpoonright \beta \in T).$$

We will show that the existence of full  $\lambda$ -Souslin trees is consistent assuming the cardinal  $\lambda$  satisfies the following hypothesis.

**Hypothesis 1.2 (a)**  $\lambda$  is strongly inaccessible (Mahlo) cardinal,

(b)  $S \subseteq \{\mu < \lambda : \mu \text{ is a strongly inaccessible cardinal}\}$  is a stationary set,

(c)  $S_0 \subseteq \lambda$  is a set of limit ordinals,

(d) for every cardinal  $\mu \in S$ ,  $\diamond_{S_0 \cap \mu}$  holds true.

Further in this section we will assume that  $\lambda$ ,  $S_0$  and  $S$  are as above and we may forget to repeat these assumptions.

Let us recall that the diamond principle  $\diamond_{S_0 \cap \mu}$  postulates the existence of a sequence  $\bar{\nu} = \langle \nu_\delta : \delta \in S_0 \cap \mu \rangle$  (called a  $\diamond_{S_0 \cap \mu}$ -sequence) such that  $\nu_\delta \in {}^\delta 2$  (for  $\delta \in S_0 \cap \mu$ ) and

$$(\forall \nu \in {}^\mu 2)[\text{the set } \{\delta \in S_0 \cap \mu : \nu \upharpoonright \delta = \nu_\delta\} \text{ is stationary in } \mu].$$

Now we introduce a forcing notion  $\mathbb{Q}$  and its relative  $\mathbb{Q}^*$  which will be used in our proof.

**Definition 1.3** 1. A condition in  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a tree  $T \subseteq {}^\alpha 2$  of a true height  $\alpha = \alpha(T) < \lambda$  (see 1.1(3); so  $\alpha$  is a limit ordinal) such that  $\|\lim_\delta(T_{[<\delta]}) \setminus T_{[\delta]}\| \leq 1$  for every limit ordinal  $\delta < \alpha$ ,

the order on  $\mathbb{Q}$  is defined by  $T_1 \leq T_2$  if and only if

$$T_1 = T_2 \cap {}^{\alpha(T_1)} 2 \quad (\text{so it is the end-extension order}).$$

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2. For a condition  $T \in \mathbb{Q}$  and a limit ordinal  $\delta < \alpha(T)$ , let  $\eta_\delta(T)$  be the unique member of  $\lim_\delta(T_{<\delta}) \setminus T_{[\delta]}$  if there is one, otherwise  $\eta_\delta(T)$  is not defined.
3. Let  $T \in \mathbb{Q}$ . A function  $f : T \rightarrow \lim_{\alpha(T)}(T)$  is called a witness for  $T$  if  $(\forall \eta \in T)(\eta \triangleleft f(\eta))$ .
4. **A condition** in  $\mathbb{Q}^*$  is a pair  $(T, f)$  such that  $T \in \mathbb{Q}$  and  $f : T \rightarrow \lim_{\alpha(T)}(T)$  is a witness for  $T$ ,  
**the order** on  $\mathbb{Q}^*$  is defined by  $(T_1, f_1) \leq (T_2, f_2)$  if and only if  $T_1 \leq_{\mathbb{Q}} T_2$  and  $(\forall \eta \in T_1)(f_1(\eta) \trianglelefteq f_2(\eta))$ .

**Proposition 1.4** 1. If  $(T_1, f_1) \in \mathbb{Q}^*$ ,  $T_1 \leq_{\mathbb{Q}} T_2$  and

- (\*) either  $\eta_{\alpha(T_1)}(T_2)$  is not defined or it does not belong to  $\text{rang}(f_1)$   
then there is  $f_2 : T_2 \rightarrow \lim_{\alpha(T_2)}(T_2)$  such that  $(T_1, f_1) \leq (T_2, f_2) \in \mathbb{Q}^*$ .

2. For every  $T \in \mathbb{Q}$  there is a witness  $f$  for  $T$ .

PROOF Should be clear. ■

**Proposition 1.5** 1. The forcing notion  $\mathbb{Q}^*$  is  $(< \lambda)$ -complete, in fact any increasing chain of length  $< \lambda$  has the least upper bound in  $\mathbb{Q}^*$ .

2. The forcing notion  $\mathbb{Q}$  is strategically  $\gamma$ -complete for each  $\gamma < \lambda$ .
3. Forcing with  $\mathbb{Q}$  adds no new sequences of length  $< \lambda$ . Since  $\|\mathbb{Q}\| = \lambda$ , forcing with  $\mathbb{Q}$  preserves cardinal numbers, cofinalities and cardinal arithmetic.

PROOF 1) It is straightforward: suppose that  $\langle (T_\zeta, f_\zeta) : \zeta < \xi \rangle$  is an increasing sequence of elements of  $\mathbb{Q}^*$ . Clearly we may assume that  $\xi < \lambda$  is a limit ordinal and  $\zeta_1 < \zeta_2 < \xi \Rightarrow \alpha(T_{\zeta_1}) < \alpha(T_{\zeta_2})$ . Let  $T_\xi = \bigcup_{\zeta < \xi} T_\zeta$  and  $\alpha = \sup_{\zeta < \xi} \alpha(T_\zeta)$ . Easily, the union is increasing and the  $T_\xi$  is a full  $\alpha$ -tree. For  $\eta \in T_\xi$  let  $\zeta_0(\eta)$  be the first  $\zeta < \xi$  such that  $\eta \in T_\zeta$  and let  $f_\xi(\eta) = \bigcup \{f_\zeta(\eta) : \zeta_0(\eta) \leq \zeta < \xi\}$ . By the definition of the order on  $\mathbb{Q}^*$  we get that the sequence  $\langle f_\zeta(\eta) : \zeta_0(\eta) \leq \zeta < \xi \rangle$  is  $\triangleleft$ -increasing and hence  $f_\xi(\eta) \in \lim_\alpha(T_\xi)$ . Plainly, the function  $f_\xi$  witnesses that  $T_\xi$  has a true height  $\alpha$ , and thus  $(T_\xi, f_\xi) \in \mathbb{Q}^*$ . It should be clear that  $(T_\xi, f_\xi)$  is the least upper bound of the sequence  $\langle (T_\zeta, f_\zeta) : \zeta < \xi \rangle$ .

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2) For our purpose it is enough to show that for each ordinal  $\gamma < \lambda$  and a condition  $T \in \mathbb{Q}$  the second player has a winning strategy in the following game  $\mathcal{G}_\gamma(T, \mathbb{Q})$ . (Also we can let Player I choose  $T_\xi$  for  $\xi$  odd.)

The game lasts  $\gamma$  moves and during a play the players, called I and II, choose successively open dense subsets  $\mathcal{D}_\xi$  of  $\mathbb{Q}$  and conditions  $T_\xi \in \mathbb{Q}$ . At stage  $\xi < \gamma$  of the game:

Player I chooses an open dense subset  $\mathcal{D}_\xi$  of  $\mathbb{Q}$  and

Player II answers playing a condition  $T_\xi \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that

$$T \leq_{\mathbb{Q}} T_\xi, \quad (\forall \zeta < \xi)(T_\zeta \leq_{\mathbb{Q}} T_\xi), \quad \text{and} \quad T_\xi \in \mathcal{D}_\xi.$$

The second player wins if he has always legal moves during the play.

Let us describe the winning strategy for Player II. At each stage  $\xi < \gamma$  of the game he plays a condition  $T_\xi$  and writes down on a side a function  $f_\xi$  such that  $(T_\xi, f_\xi) \in \mathbb{Q}^*$ . Moreover, he keeps an extra obligation that  $(T_\zeta, f_\zeta) \leq_{\mathbb{Q}^*} (T_\xi, f_\xi)$  for each  $\zeta < \xi < \gamma$ .

So arriving to a non-limit stage of the game he takes the condition  $(T_\zeta, f_\zeta)$  he constructed before (or just  $(T, f)$ , where  $f$  is a witness for  $T$ , if this is the first move; by 1.4(2) we can always find a witness). Then he chooses  $T_\zeta^* \geq_{\mathbb{Q}} T_\zeta$  such that  $\alpha(T_\zeta^*) = \alpha(T_\zeta) + \omega$  and  $(T_\zeta^*)_{[\alpha(T_\zeta)]} = \lim_{\alpha(T_\zeta)}(T_\zeta)$ . Thus  $\eta_{\alpha(T_\zeta)}(T_\zeta^*)$  is not defined. Now Player II takes  $T_{\zeta+1} \geq_{\mathbb{Q}} T_\zeta^*$  from the open dense set  $\mathcal{D}_{\zeta+1}$  played by his opponent at this stage. Clearly  $\eta_{\alpha(T_\zeta)}(T_{\zeta+1})$  is not defined, so Player II may use 1.4(1) to choose  $f_{\zeta+1}$  such that  $(T_\zeta, f_\zeta) \leq_{\mathbb{Q}^*} (T_{\zeta+1}, f_{\zeta+1}) \in \mathbb{Q}^*$ .

At a limit stage  $\xi$  of the game, the second player may take the least upper bound  $(T'_\xi, f'_\xi) \in \mathbb{Q}^*$  of the sequence  $\langle (T_\zeta, f_\zeta) : \zeta < \xi \rangle$  (exists by 1)) and then apply the procedure described above.

3) Follows from 2) above. ■

**Definition 1.6** Let  $\mathbf{T}$  be the canonical  $\mathbb{Q}$ -name for a generic tree added by forcing with  $\mathbb{Q}$ :

$$\Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbf{T} = \bigcup \{T : T \in \mathcal{G}_{\mathbb{Q}}\}.$$

It should be clear that  $\mathbf{T}$  is (forced to be) a full  $\lambda$ -tree. The main point is to show that it is  $\lambda$ -Souslin and this is done in the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.7**  $\Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}}$  “ $\mathbf{T}$  is a  $\lambda$ -Souslin tree”.

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PROOF Suppose that  $\underline{A}$  is a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -name such that

$$\Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{“ } \underline{A} \subseteq \underline{\mathbb{T}} \text{ is an antichain ”,}$$

and let  $T_0$  be a condition in  $\mathbb{Q}$ . We will show that there are  $\mu < \lambda$  and a condition  $T^* \in \mathbb{Q}$  stronger than  $T_0$  such that  $T^* \Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{“ } \underline{A} \subseteq \underline{\mathbb{T}}_{< \mu} \text{”}$  (and thus it forces that the size of  $\underline{A}$  is less than  $\lambda$ ).

Let  $\underline{\mathbf{A}}$  be a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -name such that

$$\Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{“ } \underline{\mathbf{A}} = \{\eta \in \underline{\mathbb{T}} : (\exists \nu \in \underline{A})(\nu \leq \eta) \text{ or } \neg(\exists \nu \in \underline{A})(\eta \leq \nu)\} \text{”}.$$

Clearly,  $\Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{“ } \underline{\mathbf{A}} \subseteq \underline{\mathbb{T}}$  is dense open”.

Let  $\chi$  be a sufficiently large regular cardinal ( $\beth_7(\lambda^+)^+$  is enough).

**Claim 1.7.1** *There are  $\mu \in S$  and  $\mathfrak{B} \prec (\mathcal{H}(\chi), \in, <_{\chi}^*)$  such that:*

- (a)  $\underline{A}, \underline{\mathbf{A}}, S, S_0, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Q}^*, T_0 \in \mathfrak{B}$ ,
- (b)  $\|\mathfrak{B}\| = \mu$  and  $\mu^{>} \mathfrak{B} \subseteq \mathfrak{B}$ ,
- (c)  $\mathfrak{B} \cap \lambda = \mu$ .

*Proof of the claim:* First construct inductively an increasing continuous sequence  $\langle \mathfrak{B}_{\xi} : \xi < \lambda \rangle$  of elementary submodels of  $(\mathcal{H}(\chi), \in, <_{\chi}^*)$  such that  $\underline{A}, \underline{\mathbf{A}}, S, S_0, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Q}^*, T_0 \in \mathfrak{B}_0$  and for every  $\xi < \lambda$

$$\|\mathfrak{B}_{\xi}\| = \mu_{\xi} < \lambda, \quad \mathfrak{B}_{\xi} \cap \lambda \in \lambda, \quad \text{and} \quad \mu_{\xi}^{\geq} \mathfrak{B}_{\xi} \subseteq \mathfrak{B}_{\xi+1}.$$

Note that for a club  $E$  of  $\lambda$ , for every  $\mu \in S \cap E$  we have

$$\|\mathfrak{B}_{\mu}\| = \mu, \quad \mu^{>} \mathfrak{B}_{\mu} \subseteq \mathfrak{B}_{\mu}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathfrak{B} \cap \lambda = \mu.$$

Let  $\mu \in S$  and  $\mathfrak{B} \prec (\mathcal{H}(\chi), \in, <_{\chi}^*)$  be given by 1.7.1. We know that  $\diamond_{S_0 \cap \mu}$  holds, so fix a  $\diamond_{S_0 \cap \mu}$ -sequence  $\bar{\nu} = \langle \nu_{\delta} : \delta \in S_0 \cap \mu \rangle$ .

Let

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\mathcal{I}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{T \in \mathbb{Q} : & T \text{ is incompatible (in } \mathbb{Q}) \text{ with } T_0 \text{ or:} \\ & T \geq T_0 \text{ and } T \text{ decides the value of } \underline{\mathbf{A}} \cap \alpha^{(T)} > 2 \text{ and} \\ & (\forall \eta \in T)(\exists \rho \in T)(\eta \leq \rho \ \& \ T \Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}} \rho \in \underline{\mathbf{A}})\}. \end{aligned}$$

**Claim 1.7.2**  $\underline{\mathcal{I}}$  is a dense subset of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

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*Proof of the claim:* Should be clear (remember 1.5(2)).

Now we choose by induction on  $\xi < \mu$  a continuous increasing sequence  $\langle (T_\xi, f_\xi) : \xi < \mu \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^* \cap \mathfrak{B}$ .

STEP:  $i = 0$

$T_0$  is already chosen and it belongs to  $\mathbb{Q} \cap \mathfrak{B}$ . We take any  $f_0$  such that  $(T_0, f_0) \in \mathbb{Q}^* \cap \mathfrak{B}$  (exists by 1.4(2)).

STEP: limit  $\xi$

Since  $\mu^{>} \mathfrak{B} \subseteq \mathfrak{B}$ , the sequence  $\langle (T_\zeta, f_\zeta) : \zeta < \xi \rangle$  is in  $\mathfrak{B}$ . By 1.5(1) it has the least upper bound  $(T_\xi, f_\xi)$  (which belongs to  $\mathfrak{B}$ ).

STEP:  $\xi = \zeta + 1$

First we take (the unique) tree  $T_\xi^*$  of true height  $\alpha(T_\xi^*) = \alpha(T_\zeta) + \omega$  such that  $T_\xi^* \cap \alpha(T_\zeta)^{>2} = T_\zeta$  and:

if  $\alpha(T_\zeta) \in S_0$  and  $\nu_{\alpha(T_\zeta)} \notin \text{rang}(f_\zeta)$  then  $(T_\xi^*)_{[\alpha(T_\zeta)]} = \lim_{\alpha(T_\zeta)} (T_\zeta) \setminus \{\nu_{\alpha(T_\zeta)}\}$ , otherwise  $(T_\xi^*)_{[\alpha(T_\zeta)]} = \lim_{\alpha(T_\zeta)} (T_\zeta)$ .

Let  $T_\xi \in \mathbb{Q} \cap \mathcal{I}$  be strictly above  $T_\xi^*$  (exists by 1.7.2). Clearly we may choose such  $T_\xi$  in  $\mathfrak{B}$ . Now we have to define  $f_\xi$ . We do it by 1.4, but additionally we require that

$$\text{if } \eta \in T_\xi \text{ then } (\exists \rho \in T_\xi)(\rho \triangleleft f_\xi(\eta) \ \& \ T \Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{“} \rho \in \underline{\mathbf{A}} \text{”}).$$

Plainly the additional requirement causes no problems (remember the definition of  $\mathcal{I}$  and the choice of  $T_\xi$ ) and the choice can be done in  $\mathfrak{B}$ .

There are no difficulties in carrying out the induction. Finally we let

$$T_\mu \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigcup_{\xi < \mu} T_\xi \quad \text{and} \quad f_\mu = \bigcup_{\xi < \mu} f_\xi.$$

By the choice of  $\mathfrak{B}$  and  $\mu$  we are sure that  $T_\mu$  is a  $\mu$ -tree. It follows from 1.5(1) that  $(T_\mu, f_\mu) \in \mathbb{Q}^*$ , so in particular the tree  $T_\mu$  has enough  $\mu$  branches (and belongs to  $\mathbb{Q}$ ).

**Claim 1.7.3** *For every  $\rho \in \lim_\mu(T_\mu)$  there is  $\xi < \mu$  such that*

$$(\exists \beta < \alpha(T_{\xi+1}))(T_{\xi+1} \Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{“} \rho \upharpoonright \beta \in \underline{\mathbf{A}} \text{”}).$$

*Proof of the claim:* Fix  $\rho \in \lim_\mu(T_\mu)$  and let

$$S_\nu^* \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\delta \in S_0 \cap \mu : \alpha(T_\delta) = \delta \text{ and } \nu_\delta = \rho \upharpoonright \delta\}.$$

Plainly, the set  $S_\nu^*$  is stationary in  $\mu$  (remember the choice of  $\bar{\nu}$ ). By the definition of the  $T_\xi$ 's (and by  $\rho \in \lim_\mu(T_\mu)$ ) we conclude that for every  $\delta \in S_\nu^*$

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if  $\eta_\delta(T_{\delta+1})$  is defined then  $\rho \upharpoonright \delta \neq \eta_\delta(T_\mu) = \eta_\delta(T_{\delta+1})$ .

But  $\rho \upharpoonright \delta = \nu_\delta$  (as  $\delta \in S_\nu^*$ ). So look at the inductive definition: necessarily for some  $\rho_\delta^* \in T_\delta$  we have  $\nu_\delta = f_\delta(\rho_\delta^*)$ , i.e.  $\rho \upharpoonright \delta = f_\delta(\rho_\delta^*)$ . Now,  $\rho_\delta^* \in T_\delta = \bigcup_{\xi < \delta} T_\xi$  and hence for some  $\xi(\delta) < \delta$ , we have  $\rho_\delta^* \in T_{\xi(\delta)}$ . By Fodor lemma we find  $\xi^* < \mu$  such that the set

$$S'_\nu \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\delta \in S_\nu^* : \xi(\delta) = \xi^*\}$$

is stationary in  $\mu$ . Consequently we find  $\rho^*$  such that the set

$$S_\nu^+ \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\delta \in S'_\nu : \rho^* = \rho_\delta^*\}$$

is stationary (in  $\mu$ ). But the sequence  $\langle f_\xi(\rho^*) : \xi^* \leq \xi < \mu \rangle$  is  $\leq$ -increasing, and hence the sequence  $\rho$  is its limit. Now we easily conclude the claim using the inductive definition of the  $(T_\xi, f_\xi)$ 's.

It follows from the definition of  $\mathbf{A}$  and 1.7.3 that

$$T_\mu \Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{“ } \mathcal{A} \subseteq T_\mu \text{”}$$

(remember that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a name for an antichain of  $\mathbf{T}$ ), and hence

$$T_\mu \Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{“ } \|\mathcal{A}\| < \lambda \text{”},$$

finishing the proof of the theorem. ■

**Definition 1.8** *A  $\lambda$ -tree  $T$  is  $S_0$ -full, where  $S_0 \subseteq \lambda$ , if for every limit  $\delta < \lambda$*

*if  $\delta \in \lambda \setminus S_0$  then  $T_{[\delta]} = \lim_\delta(T)$ ,*  
*if  $\delta \in S_0$  then  $\|T_{[\delta]} \setminus \lim_\delta(T)\| \leq 1$ .*

**Corollary 1.9** *Assuming Hypothesis 1.2:*

1. *The forcing notion  $\mathbb{Q}$  preserves cardinal numbers, cofinalities and cardinal arithmetic.*
2.  $\Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{“ } \mathbf{T} \subseteq \lambda^{>2} \text{ is a } \lambda\text{-Souslin tree which is full and even } S_0\text{-full”}.$

*[So, in  $\mathbf{V}^{\mathbb{Q}}$ , in particular we have:*

*for every  $\alpha < \beta < \mu$ , for all  $\eta \in T \cap \alpha^2$  there is  $\nu \in T \cap \beta^2$  such that  $\eta \triangleleft \nu$ , and for a limit ordinal  $\delta < \lambda$ ,  $\lim_\delta(T_{[<\delta]}) \setminus T_{[\delta]}$  is either empty or has a unique element (and then  $\delta \in S_0$ ).]*



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PROOF By 1.5 and 1.7. ■

Of course, we do not need to force.

**Definition 1.10** Let  $S_0, S \subseteq \lambda$ . A sequence  $\langle (C_\alpha, \nu_\alpha) : \alpha < \lambda \text{ limit} \rangle$  is called a squared diamond sequence for  $(S, S_0)$  if for each limit ordinal  $\alpha < \lambda$

- (i)  $C_\alpha$  a club of  $\alpha$  disjoint to  $S$ ,
- (ii)  $\nu_\alpha \in {}^\alpha 2$ ,
- (iii) if  $\beta \in \text{acc}(C_\alpha)$  then  $C_\beta = C_\alpha \cap \beta$  and  $\nu_\beta \triangleleft \nu_\alpha$ ,
- (iv) if  $\mu \in S$  then  $\langle \nu_\alpha : \alpha \in C_\mu \cap S_0 \rangle$  is a diamond sequence.

**Proposition 1.11** Assume (in addition to 1.2)

- (e) there exist a squared diamond sequence for  $(S, S_0)$ .

Then there is a  $\lambda$ -Souslin tree  $T \subseteq {}^\lambda 2$  which is  $S_0$ -full.

PROOF Look carefully at the proof of 1.7. ■

**Corollary 1.12** Assume that  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{L}$  and  $\lambda$  is Mahlo strongly inaccessible. Then there is a full  $\lambda$ -Souslin tree.

PROOF Let  $S \subseteq \{\mu < \lambda : \mu \text{ is strongly inaccessible}\}$  be a stationary non-reflecting set. By Beller and Litman [BeLi80], there is a square  $\langle C_\delta : \delta < \lambda \text{ limit} \rangle$  such that  $C_\delta \cap S = \emptyset$  for each limit  $\delta < \lambda$ . As in Abraham Shelah Solovay [AShS 221, §1] we can have also the squared diamond sequence. ■

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