# NOWHERE TRIVIAL AUTOMORPHISMS OF $P(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$ , FOR $\lambda$ INACCESSIBLE.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

We investigate the rigidity of the Boolean algebra  $P(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$ , for  $\lambda$  inaccessible. For  $\lambda = \omega$  there is extensive literature on this topic (see, e.g., the survey [FGVV24]); some general results on  $P(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\kappa}$  can be found in [LM16]. In [KLS] it was shown, for  $\lambda$  inaccessible and  $2^{\lambda} = \lambda^{++}$ , that constantly every automorphism is densely

In this paper we show:

(Thm. 5.3) If  $\lambda$  is (strongly) inaccessible and  $2^{\lambda} = \lambda^+$ , then there is a nowhere trivial automorphism of the Boolean algebra  $\mathcal{P}(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$ .

Note that the weaker variant "there is a *nontrivial* automorphism" follows from [SS15, Lem. 3.2] (the proof there was faulty, and fixed in [SS]); and for  $\lambda$  measurable, a proof (again only for "nontrivial") was given in [KLS].

We also show:

trivial.

(Thm. 6.1) It is consistent that  $\lambda$  is inaccessible,  $2^{\lambda}$  an arbitrary regular cardinal, and that there is a nowhere trivial automorphism of  $\mathcal{P}(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$ .

#### 2. NOTATION

We will always assume that  $\lambda$  is inaccessible.

For  $A \subseteq \lambda$ ,  $[A]^{<\lambda}$  denotes the subsets of A of size less than  $\lambda$ ; and  $[A]^{\lambda}$  those of size  $\lambda$ . With [A] we denote the equivalence class of A modulo  $[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$ . We write  $A =^* B$  for [A] = [B], and  $A \subseteq^* B$  for  $|A \setminus B| < \lambda$ .

However, we also use  $f[A] := \{f(a) : a \in A\}$ . So for example [f[A]] is the equivalence class of the *f*-image of *A*.  $f \in \text{Sym}(X)$  means that  $f : X \to X$  is bijective.

We consider  $\mathcal{P}(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$  as Boolean algebra. A (Boolean algebra) automorphism  $\pi$  of  $\mathcal{P}(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$  is called trivial on A (for  $A \in [\lambda]^{\lambda}$ ) if there is an  $f \in \text{Sym}(\lambda)$  such that  $\pi([B]) = [f[B]]$  for all  $B \subseteq A$ .  $\pi$  is called nowhere trivial, if there is no such pair (f, A).

For  $\delta \leq \lambda$ ,  $C \subseteq \delta$  closed and nonempty, and  $\alpha \in C$ , we set

 $I^*(C \subseteq \delta, \alpha) := \big\{\beta: \, \alpha \leq \beta < \min\big((C \cup \{\delta\}) \setminus (\alpha + 1)\big)\big\}.$ 

So the  $I^*(C \subseteq \delta, \alpha)$ , for  $\alpha \in C$ , form an increasing interval partition of  $\delta \setminus \min(C)$ .

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#### 3. Approximations

In this section, we define the set AP of "approximations". An approximation **a** will induce a "partial monomorphism"  $\tilde{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}}$  defined on some  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{a}}$  which is trivial, i.e., generated by some  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}} \in \text{Sym}(\lambda)$ . We will use such approximations to build a nowhere trivial automorphism  $\tilde{\phi}$  as limit (i.e.,  $\tilde{\phi} \upharpoonright \tilde{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{a}} = \tilde{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}}$ ), cf. Fact 3.6.

**Definition 3.1.** AP is the set of objects **a** consisting of  $C^{\mathbf{a}}$ ,  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}}$  and  $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}$ , such that:

- $\pi^{\mathbf{a}} \in \operatorname{Sym}(\lambda)$ .
- $\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}} \subseteq \lambda$  club such that  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}} \upharpoonright \varepsilon \in \operatorname{Sym}(\varepsilon)$  for all  $\varepsilon \in \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}}$ .
- $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}$  is a subset of  $\mathcal{P}(\lambda)$ .

 $\pi^{\mathbf{a}}$  induces a (trivial) automorphism of  $P(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$ , and  $\tilde{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}}$  is the restriction of this automorphism to  $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}$ :

**Definition 3.2.** •  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{a}} := \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}} / [\lambda]^{<\lambda} = \{[A] : A \in \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}\}.$ 

- $\tilde{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}} : \tilde{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{a}} \to P(\lambda) / [\lambda]^{<\lambda}$  is defined by  $[A] \mapsto [\pi^{\mathbf{a}}[A]]$ .
- For  $\mathbf{a} \in AP$  and  $\varepsilon \in \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}}$  we set  $I_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}} := I^*(\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}} \subseteq \lambda, \varepsilon)$ .

So the  $I_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$  form an increasing interval partition of  $\lambda \setminus \min(\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}})$ ; and  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}} \upharpoonright I_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}} \in \operatorname{Sym}(I_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}})$ .

**Definition 3.3.**  $\mathbf{b} \geq_{AP} \mathbf{a}$ , if  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in AP$  and

- (1)  $\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{b}} \subseteq^* \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}}$ .
- (2)  $\pi^{\mathbf{b}} \upharpoonright I_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}} = \pi^{\mathbf{a}} \upharpoonright I_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$  for all but boundedly many  $\varepsilon \in \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{b}}$ .
- (3)  $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{b}} \supseteq \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}$ , and  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\pi}}^{\mathbf{b}}$  extends  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\pi}}^{\mathbf{a}}$ .

I.e., if  $A \in \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}$ , then  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}}[A] =^{*} \pi^{\mathbf{b}}[A]$ .

 $\leq_{AP}$  is a nonempty quasi order.

**Lemma 3.4.** If  $(\mathbf{a}_i)_{i<\delta}$  is an  $\leq_{AP}$  increasing chain such that  $\bigcup_{i<\delta} \tilde{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{a}_i} = P(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$ , then  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\phi}} := \bigcup_{i<\delta} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\pi}}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$  is an Boolean algebra monomorphism of  $P(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$ .

If additionally  $\bigcup_{i < \delta} \tilde{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}_i}[\tilde{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{a}_i}] = P(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$ , then  $\tilde{\phi}$  is an automorphism.

*Proof.* We use  $\vee$  and  $^c$  for the Boolean-algebra-operations, i.e.,  $[A \cup B] = [A] \vee [B]$ , and  $[A]^c = [\lambda \setminus A]$ . It is enough to show that  $\tilde{\phi}$  is injective, honors  $\vee$  and  $^c$ , and maps  $[\emptyset]$  to itself.

For  $X_1, X_2$  in  $P(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$  there is an  $i < \delta$  and some  $A_1, A_2, A_{\text{union}}$  in  $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$ , such that  $[A_j] = X_j$  for j = 1, 2 and  $[A_{\text{union}}] = [A_1 \cup A_2] = X_1 \vee X_2$ . Then

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}_i}[A_{\text{union}}] =^* \boldsymbol{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}_i}[A_1 \cup A_2] = \boldsymbol{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}_i}[A_1] \cup \boldsymbol{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}_i}[A_2],$$

and

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\phi}(X_1 \lor X_2) &= \tilde{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}_i}([A_{\text{union}}]) = [\pi^{\mathbf{a}_i}[A_{\text{union}}]] = \\ &= \tilde{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}_i}([A_1]) \lor \tilde{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}_i}([A_2]) = \tilde{\phi}(X_1) \lor \tilde{\phi}(X_2). \end{split}$$

If  $X_1 \neq X_2$ , i.e.,  $A_1 \neq^* A_2$ , then  $\boldsymbol{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}_i}[A_1] \neq^* \boldsymbol{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}_i}[A_2]$ , i.e.,  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\phi}}(X_1) \neq \tilde{\boldsymbol{\phi}}(X_2)$ . Similarly we can show  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\phi}}([\lambda \setminus A_1]) = \tilde{\boldsymbol{\phi}}([A_1])^c$  and  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\phi}}([\emptyset]) = [\emptyset]$ .

**Definition 3.5.** For a pair (f, A) with  $A \in [\lambda]^{\lambda}$  and  $f \in \text{Sym}(\lambda)$ , we say  $\mathbf{a} \in \text{AP}$  "spoils (f, A)", if there is an  $A' \in [A]^{\lambda} \cap \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}$  such that  $|\boldsymbol{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}}[A'] \cap f[A']| < \lambda$ .

If  $\tilde{\phi}$  is an automorphism extending such a  $\tilde{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}}$ , then f cannot witness that  $\tilde{\phi}$  is trivial on A. Therefore:

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**Fact 3.6.** If  $(\mathbf{a}_i)_{i < \delta}$  is an  $\leq_{AP}$  increasing chain such that

- $\bigcup_{i < \delta} \tilde{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{a}_i} = \bigcup_{i < \delta} \tilde{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}_i} [\tilde{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{a}_i}] = P(\lambda) / [\lambda]^{<\lambda}$ , and for every (f, A) there is an  $i < \delta$  such that  $\mathbf{a}_i$  spoils (f, A),

then  $\phi := \bigcup_{i < \delta} \tilde{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$  is a nowhere trivial Boolean algebra automorphism of  $P(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$ .

We will use this fact both in the case  $2^{\lambda} = \lambda^+$ , as well as in the forcing construction to get a nowhere trivial automorphism.

We will often modify an  $\mathbf{a} \in AP$  by replacing  $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}$  with another  $B \subseteq P(\lambda)$ . Let the result be **b**. We call **b** "**a** with **B** replaced by B", or "**a** with X added to **B**" in case  $B = \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}} \cup \{X\}$ . Obviously  $\mathbf{b} \in AP$ , and if  $B \supseteq \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}$  then  $\mathbf{b} \geq_{AP} \mathbf{a}$ .

Similarly we can get a stronger approximation by thinning out  $\mathbf{C}$ . To summarize:

**Fact 3.7.** If  $\mathbf{a} \in AP$ ,  $D \subseteq \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}}$  club, and  $B \subseteq P(\lambda)$  with  $B \supseteq \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}$ . Then  $\mathbf{b} \geq_{AP} \mathbf{a}$ , for the **b** defined by  $\pi^{\mathbf{b}} := \pi^{\mathbf{a}}$ ,  $\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{b}} := D$  and  $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{b}} := B$ .

In the definition of  $\leq_{AP}$  we require that some things hold "apart from a bounded set", or equivalently, "above some  $\alpha$ ". We say that  $\alpha$  is good for an increasing sequence of  $\mathbf{a}_i$ , if the requirements for each pair are met above  $\alpha$ . We will generally only be able to find such an  $\alpha$  for "short sequences":

- (1)  $AP_{\lambda}$  is the set of  $\mathbf{a} \in AP$  such that  $|\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}| \leq \lambda$ . Analogously Definition 3.8. for  $AP_{<\lambda}$ .
  - (2)  $(\mathbf{a}_i)_{i \in J}$  is a "short sequence", if  $J < \lambda$  (or more generally, J is a set of ordinals with  $|J| < \lambda$ , each  $\mathbf{a}_i \in AP_{<\lambda}$ , and the sequence is  $\leq_{AP}$ -increasing, i.e., j > i in J implies  $\mathbf{a}_i \geq_{AP} \mathbf{a}_i$ .
  - (3) Let  $\bar{\mathbf{a}} := (\mathbf{a}_i)_{i \in J}$  be short. We say that  $\alpha$  is good for  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$ , if for all  $i \leq k$  in J: (a)  $\alpha \in \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$ .
    - (b)  $\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}_k} \subseteq \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$  above  $\alpha$ . (I.e.,  $\beta \geq \alpha$  and  $\beta \in \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}_k}$  implies  $\beta \in \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$ .)
    - (c)  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}_k} \upharpoonright I_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}_i} = \pi^{\mathbf{a}_i} \upharpoonright I_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$  for all  $\varepsilon \ge \alpha$  in  $\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}_k}$ .
    - (d)  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}_i}[A] \setminus \alpha = \pi^{\mathbf{a}_k}[A] \setminus \alpha$ , for all  $A \in \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$ .
  - (4) For  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$  in  $AP_{<\lambda}$ , we say  $\mathbf{b} >_{\zeta} \mathbf{a}$ , if  $\zeta$  is good for the sequence  $\langle \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \rangle$ .

So in particular if **b** is the result of enlarging **B** in **a**, then  $\mathbf{b} >_{\zeta} \mathbf{a}$  for all  $\zeta \in \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}}$ .

- Fact 3.9. (1) If  $\mathbf{a} \in AP_{<\lambda}$ , then  $\mathbf{b} \geq_{AP} \mathbf{a}$  iff  $(\exists \zeta \in \lambda) \mathbf{b} >_{\zeta} \mathbf{a}$ .
  - (2) If  $\bar{\mathbf{a}} = (\mathbf{a}_i)_{i \in J}$  is short, then  $\{\alpha \in \lambda : \alpha \text{ good for } \bar{\mathbf{a}}\}$  is club, more concretely it is  $\bigcap_{i < \delta} \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}_i} \setminus \alpha^*$  for some  $\alpha^* < \lambda$ .

**Lemma 3.10.** If  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$  is short, then is has an  $\leq_{AP}$ -upper-bound  $\mathbf{b} \in AP_{<\lambda}$ .

*Proof.* Set  $D := \bigcap_{i \in J} C^{\mathbf{a}_i}$ , and  $\zeta_0$  be the smallest  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$ -good ordinal. So in particular  $\zeta_0 \in D$ ; and any  $\zeta \geq \zeta_0$  is in D iff it is  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$ -good.

Fix for now some  $\zeta \in D \setminus \zeta_0$ . Let  $\zeta^+$  be the *D*-successor of  $\zeta$ .

For  $i \in J$ , set  $\gamma(\zeta, i)$  to be the  $\zeta$ -successor of  $C^{\mathbf{a}_i}$ . Then the sequence  $\gamma(\zeta, i)$  is weakly increasing with  $i \in J$  and has limit  $\zeta^+$ . If  $\alpha < \gamma(\zeta, i)$  (we also say " $\alpha$  is stable at i"), then  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}_i}(\alpha) = \pi^{\mathbf{a}_j}(\alpha)$  for all j > i in J.

We define  $\pi^{\lim}(\alpha)$  for all  $\alpha \geq \zeta_0$  as  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}_i}(\alpha)$  for some *i* stable for  $\alpha$ .

To summarize: Whenever  $I := \zeta^+ \setminus \zeta$  for some  $\zeta \in D \setminus \zeta_0$  with  $\zeta^+$  the *D*-successor, we get:

- (1)  $(\forall \alpha \in I) (\exists i \in J) (\forall j > i) \pi^{\lim}(\alpha) = \pi^{\mathbf{a}_i}(\alpha).$
- (2)  $\pi^{\lim} \upharpoonright I \in \operatorname{Sym}(I).$

(3) If  $i \in J$  and  $A \in \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$ , then  $\pi^{\lim}[A'] = \pi^{\mathbf{a}_i}[A']$  where  $A' := A \cap I$ .

For (2), note that  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}_i} \in \text{Sym}(I)$  for all  $i \in J$ . If  $\alpha_1 \neq \alpha_2 \in I$ , then there is an *i* in *J* stable for both, and  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}_i}(\alpha_1) \neq \pi^{\mathbf{a}_i}(\alpha_2)$ . So  $\pi^{\lim}$  is injective. And if  $\alpha_1 \in I$ and *i* in *J* stable for  $\alpha_1$ , then there is an  $\alpha_2 \in I^{\mathbf{a}_i}_{\zeta}$  with  $\pi^{\lim}(\alpha_2) = \pi^{\mathbf{a}_i}(\alpha_2) = \alpha_1$ , so  $\pi^{\lim}$  is surjective.

For (3): Set  $B := \pi^{\mathbf{a}_i}[A']$ . As I is above the good  $\zeta_0$ , we have:  $B = \pi^{\mathbf{a}_j}[A']$ for all  $j \in J$  with j > i. So for  $\alpha \in A'$ , all  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}_j}(\alpha)$  are in B, and also stabilize to  $\pi^{\lim}(\alpha)$ , which therefore has to be in B. Analogously, we get: If  $\alpha \in I \setminus A$ , then  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}_j}(\alpha) \neq B$  stabilizes to  $\pi^{\lim}(\alpha)$ , which therefore is not in B. As  $\pi^{\lim}[I] = I$ , we get  $\pi^{\lim}[I \cap A] = B.$ 

We can now define  $\mathbf{b}$  as:

$$\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{b}} := D \setminus \zeta_0; \quad \boldsymbol{\pi}^{\mathbf{b}}(\alpha) = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } \alpha < \zeta_0 \\ \pi^{\lim}(\alpha) & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases} \quad \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{b}} := \bigcup_{i \in J} \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}_i}. \qquad \Box$$

#### 4. INITIAL SEGMENTS

We will work with initial segments of approximations (without the **B** part):

- An "initial segment" b consists of a "height"  $\delta^b$ , a closed Definition 4.1.  $C^b \subseteq \delta^b$  (possibly empty), and a  $\pi^b \in \text{Sym}(\delta^b)$  such that  $\pi^b \upharpoonright \zeta \in \text{Sym}(\zeta)$ for all  $\zeta \in C^b$ .
  - The set of initial segments is called IS.
  - $b >_{\text{IS}} a$ , if  $\delta^b > \delta^a$ ,  $\delta^a \in C^b$ ,  $C^b \cap \delta^a = C^a$ , and  $\pi^b \upharpoonright \delta^a = \pi^a$ .

  - $b \ge_{\mathrm{IS}} a$  if  $b >_{\mathrm{IS}} a$  or b = a. For  $\zeta \in C^b$ , we set  $I^b_{\zeta} := I^*(C^b \subseteq \delta^b, \zeta)$ .

So the  $I_{\zeta}^{b}$  form an increasing interval partition of  $\delta^{b} \setminus \min(C^{b})$ , and  $\pi^{b} \upharpoonright I_{\zeta}^{b} \in$  $\operatorname{Sym}(I_{\mathcal{C}}^{b}).$ 

 $\leq_{\rm IS}$  is a partial order.

Some trivialities:

**Fact 4.2.** Assume that  $\overline{b} = (b_i)_{i < \xi}$ , with  $\xi \leq \lambda$  limit, is an  $\langle IS \rangle$ -increasing sequence.

- (1) If  $\xi < \lambda$ , then the following  $b_{\xi} \in IS$  is the  $\leq_{IS}$ -supremum of  $\bar{b}$ , and we call it "the limit" of  $\overline{b}$ :  $\delta^{b_{\xi}} := \bigcup_{i < \xi} \delta^{b_i}, C^{b_{\xi}} := \bigcup_{i < \xi} C^{b_i}$  and  $\pi^{b_{\xi}} := \bigcup_{i < \xi} \pi^{b_i}$ .
- (2) If  $\xi = \lambda$ , then to each  $B \subseteq P(\lambda)$  there is a **b**  $\in$  AP as follows, which we call "a limit" of  $\bar{b}$ :  $\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{b}} := \bigcup_{i < \lambda} C^{b_i} \pi^{\mathbf{b}} := \bigcup_{i < \lambda} \pi^{b_i}$  and  $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{b}} := B$ .

Let us call an  $<_{\rm IS}$ -increasing sequence  $\bar{b}$  "continuous" if  $b_{\gamma}$  is the limit of  $(b_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \gamma}$ for all limits  $\gamma < \delta$ . We will only use continuous sequences.

**Definition 4.3.** Let  $\mathbf{a} \in AP_{<\lambda}$  and  $b \in IS$  with  $\delta^b \in \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}}$ . We say  $c >_{\mathbf{a}} b$ , if the following holds:

- $c >_{\text{IS}} b$ .
- $(C^c \cup \{\delta^c\}) \setminus \delta^b \subseteq \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}}.$
- For all  $\zeta \in C^c \setminus \overline{\delta^b}$ ,  $\pi^c \upharpoonright I_{\zeta}^{\mathbf{a}} = \pi^{\mathbf{a}} \upharpoonright I_{\zeta}^{\mathbf{a}}$ .
- For all  $A \in \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}, \pi^{c}[A'] = \pi^{\mathbf{a}}[A']$  where we set  $A' := A \cap \delta^{c} \setminus \delta^{b}$ .

For a short  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$  (with index set J) we say  $c >_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}} b$  if  $c >_{\mathbf{a}_i} b$  for all  $i \in J$ .

**Lemma 4.4.** Let  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$  in  $AP_{<\lambda}$  and  $c, d_i$   $(i < \lambda)$  in IS.

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- (1)  $<_{\mathbf{a}}$  is a partial order
- (2) If  $\zeta < \lambda$  and  $(d_i)_{i \in \zeta}$  is a ><sub>IS</sub>-increasing sequence such that  $d_i >_{\mathbf{a}} c$  for all  $i < \zeta$ , then also the limit  $d_{\zeta}$  satisfies  $d_{\zeta} >_{\mathbf{a}} c$ .
- (3) If  $\mathbf{b} >_{\delta^c} \mathbf{a}$ , then  $d >_{\mathbf{b}} c$  implies  $d >_{\mathbf{a}} c$ .
- (4) Assume  $\bar{c} := (c_i)_{i \in \lambda}$  is a continuous increasing sequence in IS such that for some  $i_0 < \lambda$  we have  $c_i <_{\mathbf{a}} c_{i+1}$  for all  $i > i_0$ .

Then any limit  $\mathbf{c} \in AP$  of the  $\bar{c}$  with  $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{c}} \supseteq \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}$  satisfies  $\mathbf{c} >_{AP} \mathbf{a}$ .

(5) Let  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$  be short,  $b \in \mathrm{IS}$ ,  $\delta^b$  good for  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$  and  $E \subseteq \lambda$  club. Then there is a  $c >_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}} b$  with  $\delta^c \in E$  and  $C^c = C^b \cup \{\delta^b\}$ 

*Proof.* For (5), use (the proof of) Lemma 3.10: Pick any  $\delta^c \in D \cap E \setminus (\delta^b + 1)$  and set  $C^c = C^b \cup \{\delta^b\}$  and  $\pi^c = \pi^{\lim} \upharpoonright \delta^c$ .

The rest is straightforward.

We now turn to spoiling (f, A):

**Definition 4.5.** Given  $f \in \text{Sym}(\lambda)$  and  $A \in [\lambda]^{\lambda}$ , we define  $c >^{f,A} b$  by:  $c >_{\text{IS}} b$ ,  $f \upharpoonright \delta^c \in \text{Sym}(\delta^c)$ , and there is a  $\xi^* \in A \cap \delta^c \setminus \delta^b$  with  $f(\xi^*) \neq \pi^c(\xi^*)$ . We write  $c >_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}}^{f,A} b$  for:  $c >_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}} b \& c >^{f,A} b$ 

**Lemma 4.6.** Assume  $(b_i)_{i \in \lambda}$  is  $\leq_I S$ -increasing such that unboundedly often  $b_{i+1} >^{f,A} b_i$ . Then for some  $A' \in [A]^{\lambda}$ , every limit **b** of  $(b_i)_{i \in \lambda}$  with  $A' \in \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{b}}$  spoils (f, A).

*Proof.* By taking a subsequence, we can assume that for all odd i (i.e.,  $i = \delta + 2n + 1$  with  $\delta$  limit or 0 and  $n \in \omega$ )  $b_{i+1} >^{f,A} b_i$ .

For *i* odd, set  $I_i := \delta^{b_{i+1}} \setminus \delta^{b_i}$  and let  $\xi_i \in I_i$  satisfy  $f(\xi_i) \neq \pi^{b_{i+1}}(\xi_i) = \pi^{\mathbf{b}}(\xi_i)$ . If *i* is odd, then  $\pi^{\mathbf{b}} \upharpoonright I_i \in \text{Sym}(I_i)$  and  $f \upharpoonright \delta^{b_{i+1}} \in \text{Sym}(\delta^{b_{i+1}})$ .

So if i < j are both odd, then  $f(\zeta_j) > \delta^{b_{i+1}} > \pi^{\mathbf{b}}(\zeta_i)$ ; and if j < k are both odd then  $f(\zeta_j) < \delta^{b_j} \leq \pi^{\mathbf{b}}(\zeta_k)$ . This means that  $f(\zeta_j)$  is different to all  $\pi^{\mathbf{b}}(\zeta_i)$  for i odd.

So we can set  $A' = \{\zeta_j : j \text{ odd}\}$  and get that f[A'] is disjoint to  $\pi^{\mathbf{b}}[A']$ . So **b** with A' added to **B** spoils (f, A).

**Lemma 4.7.** If  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$  is short,  $b \in \mathrm{IS}$ ,  $\delta^b$  good for  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$ ,  $f \in \mathrm{Sym}(\lambda)$  and  $A \in [\lambda]^{\lambda}$ , then there is some  $d >_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}}^{f,A} b$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mathbf{B} := \bigcup_{i \in J} \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$ . Let  $\zeta_0 < \lambda$  be the supremum of all  $\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$ -successors of  $\delta^b$ . Set  $E := \{\zeta \in \lambda : f \upharpoonright \zeta \in \operatorname{Sym}(\zeta)\}$  (a club-set). Pick  $\zeta_1 \in E$  such that  $|A \cap (\zeta_1 \setminus \zeta_0)| > |2^{\mathbf{B}}|$ . Pick  $c >_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}} b$  with  $\delta^c \in E \setminus \zeta_1$  and such that  $C^c = C^b \cup \{\delta^b\}$ .

Set  $I := \delta^c \setminus \zeta_0$ . For  $\alpha, \beta$  in  $I \cap A$  set  $\alpha \sim \beta$  iff  $(\forall A \in \mathbf{B}) (\alpha \in A \leftrightarrow \beta \in A)$ . As there are at most  $|2^{\mathbf{B}}|$  many equivalence classes, there have to be  $\beta_0 \neq \beta_1$  in  $I \cap A$ with  $\beta_0 \sim \beta_1$ .

If  $\pi^{c}(\beta_{i}) \neq f(\beta_{i})$  for i = 0 or i = 1, set d := c. Otherwise, defines d as follows:  $\begin{cases} \pi^{c}(\beta_{1}) & \text{if } \alpha = \beta_{0}, \end{cases}$ 

$$\delta^d = \delta^c, \ C^d = C^c, \ \text{and} \ \pi^d(\alpha) := \begin{cases} \pi^c(\beta_0) & \text{if } \alpha = \beta_1, \\ \pi^c(\alpha) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Set  $I := \delta^d \setminus \delta^b$ . As  $\beta_0 \sim \beta_1$  we have  $\pi^d[A \cap I] = \pi^c[A \cap I] = \pi^{\mathbf{a}_i}[A \cap I]$  for all  $i \in J$  and  $A \in \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$  (as  $c >_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}} b$ ).

And as the  $\beta_0, \beta_1$  are above  $\zeta_0$ , and  $I^{\mathbf{a}_i}_{\delta b}$  is below  $\zeta_0$  for all  $i \in J$ , we have  $\pi^d \upharpoonright I^{\mathbf{a}_i}_{\delta^b} = \pi^c \upharpoonright I^{\mathbf{a}_i}_{\delta^b} = \pi^{\mathbf{a}_i} \upharpoonright I^{\mathbf{a}_i}_{\delta^b}$ . So  $d >_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}} b$ .

5.  $2^{\lambda} = \lambda^{+}$  for  $\lambda$  inaccessible implies a nowhere trivial automorphism

**Lemma 5.1.** Every increasing sequence in  $AP_{\lambda}$  of length  $<\lambda^+$  has an upper bound. Proof. We can assume without loss of generality that the increasing sequence is  $\bar{a} := (\mathbf{a}_i)_{i \in \xi}$  with  $\xi \leq \lambda$ .

For  $i < \xi$ , enumerate<sup>1</sup>  $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$  as  $\{x_i^j : j \le \lambda\}$ , and set  $B_i^j := \{x_i^k : k \le j\}$  for  $j < \lambda$ . We enumerate in a way so that the  $B_i^j$  are increasing with  $i < \xi$ . Let  $\mathbf{a}_i^j$  be  $\mathbf{a}_i$  with **B** replaced by  $B_i^j$ , and for  $\ell < \lambda$  set  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}^\ell := (\mathbf{a}_k^\ell)_{k < \min(\ell, \xi)}$ . Note that  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}^\ell$  is short.

 $\mathbf{c} \in AP$  is an upper bound of  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$  iff it is an upper bound of all  $\mathbf{a}_k^{\ell}$  for  $\ell < \lambda$  and  $k < \min(\ell, \xi)$ .

We now construct by induction on  $\ell < \lambda$  a  $<_{\text{IS}}$ -increasing continuous sequence  $(c^{\ell})_{\ell \in \lambda}$ , such that  $\delta^{c^{\ell}}$  is  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}^{\ell}$ -good:

- At limits  $\gamma$  we let  $c^{\gamma}$  be the limit of the  $(c^k)_{k < \gamma}$ , and note that (by induction) its height it is  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}^{\gamma}$ -good.
- For  $j = \ell + 1$ , let *E* be the club set of  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}^{\ell+1}$ -good ordinals, and choose, as in Lemma 4.4(5)  $c^{\ell+1} >_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}^{\ell}} c^{\ell}$  with  $\delta^{c^{\ell+1}} \in E$ .

Let **c** be the limit of the  $c^{\ell}$  with  $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{c}} := \bigcup_{i < \xi} \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$ .

We claim that  $\mathbf{c} \geq_{\mathrm{AP}} \mathbf{a}_j^{\ell}$  for all  $\ell < \lambda$  and  $j < \min(\ell, \xi)$ . Assume that  $k > \max(i, j)$ .

• By Lemma 4.4(3):

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 $\delta^{c^k}$  (which is  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}^k$ -good and so, by definition,  $\mathbf{a}^k_j$ -good) is  $\mathbf{a}^\ell_j$ -good, as  $\mathbf{a}^k_j >_{\delta^{c^k}} \mathbf{a}^\ell_j$ .

Also, 
$$c^{k+1} >_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}^k} c^k$$
, so (by definition)  $c^{k+1} >_{\mathbf{a}^k_j} c^k$ , and so  $c^{k+1} >_{\mathbf{a}^\ell_j} c^k$ .

• By Lemma 4.4(4) we get  $\mathbf{c} >_{\mathrm{AP}} \mathbf{a}_{j}^{\ell}$ , as required.

**Lemma 5.2.** Given  $\mathbf{a} \in AP_{\lambda}$ ,  $f \in Sym(\lambda)$  and  $A \in [\lambda]^{\lambda}$ , there is a  $\mathbf{b} \geq_{AP} \mathbf{a}$  which is in  $AP_{\lambda}$  and spoils (f, A).

*Proof.* Enumerate  $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}}$  as  $\{x^j : j \in \lambda\}$  and let  $\mathbf{a}^j$  be  $\mathbf{a}$  with  $\mathbf{B}$  replaced by  $\{x^i : i < j\}$ . So  $\mathbf{a}^j \in AP_{<\lambda}$ . We construct a continuous increasing sequence  $b^i$   $(i < \lambda)$  in IS such that  $\delta^{b^i}$  is  $\mathbf{a}^i$ -good: Given  $b^i$ , we find  $b^{i+1} >_{\mathbf{a}^i}^{f,A} b^i$  as in Lemma 4.7. Let  $\mathbf{b}$  be the limit of the  $b^i$  with  $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{b}} = \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}} \cup \{A'\}$  as in Lemma 4.6.

And  $\mathbf{b} >_A P \mathbf{a}^j$  for all  $j < \lambda$  and therefore  $\mathbf{b} >_{AP} \mathbf{a}$ .

We can now easily show:

**Theorem 5.3.** If  $\lambda$  is (strongly) inaccessible and  $2^{\lambda} = \lambda^+$ , then there is a nowhere trivial automorphism of the Boolean algebra  $\mathcal{P}(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{<\lambda}$ .

*Proof.* We construct, by induction on  $i \in \lambda^+$ , an increasing chain of  $\mathbf{a}_i$  in  $AP_{\lambda}$ , such that:

- For limit i, we take limits according to Lemma 5.1.
- For odd successors  $i = j + 1 = \delta + 2n + 1$  ( $\delta$  limit,  $n \in \omega$ ), pick by bookkeeping some  $X_j$  and let  $\mathbf{a}_{j+1}$  be the same as  $\mathbf{a}_j$  but with  $X_j$  and  $(\pi^{\mathbf{a}_j})^{-1}[X_j]$  added to **B**.
- For even successors  $i = j + 1 = \delta + 2n + 2$ , we pick by book-keeping an  $f_j \in \text{Sym}(\lambda)$  and an  $A_j \in [\lambda]^{\lambda}$ . Then we choose  $\mathbf{a}_{j+1} \geq_{\text{AP}} \mathbf{a}_j$  spoiling  $(f_j, A_j)$ , using Lemma 5.2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>with lots of repetitions

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Then  $\tilde{\phi} := \bigcup_{i < \lambda} \tilde{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}_i}$  is a nowhere trivial automorphism according to Fact 3.6.  $\Box$ 

## 6. Forcing a nowhere trivial automorphism with $2^{\lambda} > \lambda^+$ , $\lambda$ inaccessible

**Theorem 6.1.** Assume  $\lambda$  is inaccessible,  $2^{\lambda} = \lambda^+$  and  $\mu > \lambda^+$  is regular. Then there is a cofinality preserving ( $\langle \lambda$ -closed and  $\lambda^+$ -cc) poset which forces:  $2^{\lambda} = \mu$ , and there is a nowhere trivial automorphism of  $\mathcal{P}(\lambda)/[\lambda]^{\langle \lambda}$ .

For the rest of this section we fix a  $\mu$  as in the lemma.

We will construct a  $\langle \lambda$ -support iteration  $(P_{\alpha}, Q_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \mu}$ . We call the final limit P. We denote the  $P_{\alpha}$ -extension  $V[G_{\alpha}]$  by  $V_{\alpha}$ .

Each  $Q_{\alpha}$  and therefore also each  $P_{\alpha}$  will be  $<\lambda$ -closed.

So  $x \in AP$ ,  $x \leq_{AP} y$ , as well as IS (as set) are absolute between  $P_{\alpha}$ -extensions (and  $|IS| = \lambda$ ).

Each  $Q_{\alpha}$  will add a  $\mathbf{a}_{\alpha}^* \in AP$ , such that the  $\mathbf{a}_{\alpha}^*$  are  $<_{AP}$ -increasing in  $\alpha$ .

By induction we assume we live in the  $P_{\alpha}$ -extension  $V_{\alpha}$  where we already have the increasing sequence  $(\mathbf{a}_i^*)_{i < \alpha}$ . (We do not claim that this sequence has an upper bound in  $V_{\alpha}$ .)

We now define  $Q_{\alpha}$ , which we will just call Q to improve readability.

**Definition 6.2.**  $q \in Q$  consists of:

- (1) A  $b^q \in IS$ , also called "trunk of q". We also write  $\delta^q$ ,  $\pi^q C^q$  and  $I^q_\beta$  instead of  $\delta^{b^q}$  etc.
- (2) A set  $X^q \in [\alpha]^{<\lambda}$ , and for  $\beta \in X^q$ , a set  $\mathbf{B}^q_{\beta} \in [\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\beta}}]^{<\lambda}$ , such that the  $\mathbf{B}^q_{\beta}$  are increasing in  $\beta$ .
- (3) For  $\beta \in X^q$  set  $\mathbf{a}_{\beta}^q$  to be  $\mathbf{a}_{\beta}^*$  with **B** replaced by  $\mathbf{B}_{\beta}^q$ . Set  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}^q := (\mathbf{a}_{\beta}^q)_{\beta \in X^q}$  (which is short).
- (4) We require  $\delta^{b^q}$  to be good for  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}^q$ .

("Short" and "good" are defined in Definition 3.8.) As we use Q as forcing poset, we follow the notation that  $r \leq_Q q$  means that r is stronger than q (whereas in  $<_{AP}$  and  $<_{IS}$  the stronger object is the larger one).

## **Definition 6.3.** $r \leq_Q q$ if:

(1)  $b^r \geq_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}^q} b^q$  (see Definition 4.3). (2)  $X^r \supseteq X^q$ , and  $\mathbf{B}^r_\beta \supseteq \mathbf{B}^q_\beta$  for  $\beta \in X^q$ .

The following follows immediately from the definitions:

**Fact 6.4.** Assume that  $r \leq_Q q$ ,  $b \in IS$  and that  $\delta^b$  is good for  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}^r$ . Then  $c \geq_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}^r} b$  implies  $c \geq_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}^q} b$ .

This implies that  $\leq_Q$  is transitive. (It even is a partial order.)

**Lemma 6.5.** For  $q \in Q$ , the following holds (in  $V_{\alpha}$ ): Let  $E \subseteq \lambda$  be club.

- (1) For  $\beta < \alpha$  and  $A \in \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\beta}}$  there is an  $r <_Q q$  with  $\delta^r \in E, \ \beta \in X^r$  and  $A \in \mathbf{B}^r_{\beta}$ .
- (2) For any  $A \in [\lambda]^{\lambda}$  and  $f \in \text{Sym}(\lambda)$  (both in  $V_{\alpha}$ ) there is an  $r \leq_Q q$  with  $b^r <^{f,A} b^q$ .

- (3) Q is  $\lambda$ -centered, witnessed by the function that maps q to its trunk,  $b^q$ . (Actually, even  $\langle \lambda \rangle$  many conditions with the same trunk have lower bound.)
- (4)  $Q_{\alpha}$  is  $<\lambda$ -closed.

Moreover, a sequence  $(q_i)_{i \in \xi}$  ( $\xi < \lambda$ ) has a canonical limit r, and the trunk of r is the union of the trunks of the  $q_i$ .

*Proof.* (1): Extend  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}^q$  in the obvious way to  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}^r$ : Add  $\beta$  to the index set, set  $\mathbf{B}_{\beta}^{r} := \{A\} \cup \bigcup_{\zeta \in X^{q} \cap (\beta+1)} \mathbf{B}_{\zeta}^{q}, \text{ and add } A \text{ to all } \mathbf{B}_{\zeta}^{q} \text{ for } \zeta \in X^{q} \setminus \beta. \text{ Let } E' := \{\zeta \in \lambda : \zeta \text{ good for } \bar{\mathbf{a}}^{r}\}. \text{ Then } E' \text{ is club according to Fact 3.9, so we can use}$ Lemma 4.4(5) to find  $b^r >_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}^q} b^q$  with  $\delta^r \in E \cap E'$ .

(2) This is Lemma 4.7.

(3) Let  $(q_i)_{i \in \mu}$ ,  $\mu < \lambda$  all have the same trunk b. Then the following r is a condition in Q:  $b^r = b$ ,  $X^r = \bigcup_{i < \mu} X^{q_i}$  and  $B^r_{\zeta} = \bigcup_{i < \mu} {}_{\& \zeta \in X^{q_i}} B^{q_i}_{\zeta}$ . (4) Let  $(q_i)_{i < \zeta}$  with  $\zeta < \lambda$  be  $<_Q$ -decreasing. Then the obvious union r is an

element of Q and stronger than each  $q_i$ :

 $b^r$  is the union of the  $b^{q_i}$ , as in Fact 4.2, and  $X^r := \bigcup_{i < \zeta} X^{q_i}$  and  $\mathbf{B}^r_{\beta} :=$  $\bigcup_{i<\zeta,\beta\in X^{q_i}}\mathbf{B}_{\beta}^{q_i}$  for each  $\beta\in X^r.$ 

Then  $\delta^r$  is good for  $\mathbf{a}^r_{\beta}$  for  $\beta \in X^r$ : It is enough to show that  $\delta^r$  is good for all  $\mathbf{a}_{\beta}^{q_i}$  (for sufficiently large *i*). Fix such an *i*. If j > i, then  $\delta^{q_j}$  is good for  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}^{q_j}$  and therefore for  $\mathbf{a}_{\beta}^{q_j}$  and therefore for  $\mathbf{a}_{\beta}^{q_i}$ . So the limit  $\delta^r$  is good as well.

Similarly one can argue that  $b^r >_{\bar{\mathbf{a}}^{q_i}} b^{q_i}$  for all  $i < \zeta$ .

**Definition 6.6.** Let  $G(\alpha)$  be  $Q_{\alpha}$ -generic. We define  $\mathbf{a}_{\alpha}^{*}$  (in  $V_{\alpha+1}$ ) as follows:  $\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\alpha}} := \bigcup_{q \in G(\alpha)} C^q, \, \boldsymbol{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\alpha}} := \bigcup_{q \in G(\alpha)} \pi^q, \, \text{and} \, \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\alpha}} := P(\lambda).$ 

**Lemma 6.7.**  $P_{\alpha+1}$  forces:

- (1)  $\mathbf{a}_{\alpha}^* >_{\mathrm{AP}} \mathbf{a}_{\beta}^*$  for all  $\beta < \alpha$ . (2)  $\mathbf{a}_{\alpha}^*$  spoils (f, A) for all  $(f, A) \in V_{\alpha}$ .

The proof consists of straightforward density arguments:

*Proof.* For (1) we know that by there is some  $q \in G(\alpha)$  with  $\beta \in X^q$ . This implies that  $\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\alpha}} \subseteq \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\beta}}$  above  $\delta^q$  and that  $\boldsymbol{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\alpha}} \upharpoonright I_{\zeta}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\beta}} = \boldsymbol{\pi}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\beta}} \upharpoonright I_{\zeta}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\beta}}$  for all  $\zeta \in \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\beta}} \setminus \delta^q$ . We can also assume that a given  $A \in \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\beta}}$  is in  $\mathbf{B}^q_{\beta}$ , which implies that  $\pi^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\alpha}}[A] = \pi^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\beta}}[A]$ above  $\delta^q$ .

For (2) and  $(f, A) \in V_{\alpha}$  we know by Lemma 6.5(2) that for  $q \in G(\alpha)$  of unbounded heights there are r(q) in  $G(\alpha)$  such that  $b^{r(q)} > fA b^{q}$ . I.e., in  $V_{\alpha+1}$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_{\alpha}^{*}$  is a limit of an  $<_{\rm IS}$ -increasing sequence as in Lemma 4.6, therefore  $\mathbf{a}^*_{\alpha}$  spoils (f, A)(as A' certainly is in  $\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{a}^*_{\alpha}} = P(\lambda)$ ). 

So P adds a sequence  $(\mathbf{a}_{\alpha}^*)_{\alpha < \mu}$  that we can use in Fact 3.6 to get a nowhere trivial automorphism. We will now show that P is  $\lambda^+$ -cc, which finishes the proof of Theorem 6.1.

**Lemma 6.8.** Set  $t(p) := (b^{p(\alpha)})_{\alpha \in \text{dom}(p)}$  (i.e., the sequence of trunks). Then the following set D is dense: p in D if there is an  $x \in V$  such that the empty condition forces t(p) = x.

*Proof.* We claim that the lemma holds for  $P_{\alpha}$ , by induction on  $P_{\alpha}$ . Successors and limits of cofinality  $\geq \lambda$  are clear.

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Let  $\alpha$  be a limit with cofinality  $\kappa < \lambda$ , and  $(\alpha_i)_{i \in \kappa}$  cofinal in  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha_0 = 0$ . Set  $D_j := D \cap P_{\alpha_j}$  (by induction dense in  $P_{\alpha_j}$ ). We construct by induction on  $j \in \kappa$  a decreasing sequence  $p_j \in P_{\alpha}$  such that  $p_0 = p$  and  $p_j \upharpoonright \alpha_j \in D$ :

Successors: Given  $p_j$ , we find  $r \leq p_j \upharpoonright \alpha_{j+1}$  in  $D_{j+1}$  and set  $p_{j+1} := r \land p_j$ (which is the same as  $r \land p$ ).

Limits: Given  $(p_i)_{i < \xi}$  with  $\xi \le \kappa$ , let  $p_{\xi}$  be the pointwise canonical limit. Note that we can calculate (in V) each  $p_{\xi}(\beta)$  from the sequence  $(p_i(\beta))_{i < \xi}$  (it is just the union).

## **Lemma 6.9.** (Assuming $2^{\lambda} = \lambda^+$ in the ground model.) P is $\lambda^+$ -cc.

*Proof.* Assume  $(a_i)_{i \in \lambda^+}$  is a sequence in P. For every  $a_i$  find an  $a'_i \leq a$  in D. By Fodor (or the Delta-system lemma) there is an  $X \subseteq \lambda^+$  of size  $\lambda^+$  such that  $\{\operatorname{dom}(a'_i) : i \in X\}$  form a Delta system with heart  $\Delta$ , and furthermore we can assume that  $t(a'_i) \upharpoonright \Delta$  (the sequence of trunks restricted to  $\Delta$ ) is the same for all  $i \in X$ . (There are  $\lambda^{|\Delta|} = \lambda < \lambda^+$  many such restrictions.) Then for i, j in X, the conditions  $a'_i$  and  $a'_i$  (and therefore also  $a_i$  and  $a_j$ ) are compatible.

Remark 6.10. Generally, preserving  $\lambda^+$ -cc for  $\lambda > \omega_1$  is much more cumbersome than for  $\lambda = \omega$ , as there is no obvious universal theorem analogous to "the finite support iteration of ccc forcings is ccc". In our case, it was very easy to show  $\lambda^+$ -cc manually. However, we could have used existing iteration theorems. We give two examples (but there surely are many more). Note that the following theorems do not require  $\lambda$  to be inaccessible.

(1) From [Shi99] (generalising the  $\lambda = \aleph_1$  case from [Bau83, Lem. 4.1]):

- Definition [Shi99, p. 237]: Q is λ-centered closed, if a centered subset D of Q of size <λ has a lower bound.</li>
- Lemma [Shi99, p. 237]: Assume  $2^{<\lambda} = \lambda$ . Let P be a  $<\lambda$ -support iteration such that each iterand is (forced to be)  $\lambda$ -linked and  $\lambda$ -centered closed. Then P is  $\lambda^+$ -cc.

It is easy to see that our Q satisfies the requirements (Q is even  $\lambda$ -centered and " $\lambda$ -linked closed").

- (2) From [BGS21] (generalizing the  $\lambda = \aleph_1$  case from [She78, 3.1]):
  - [BGS21, Def. 2.2.2]: Q is "stationary  $\lambda^+$ -Knaster", if for every sequence  $(p_i)_{i<\lambda^+}$  in Q there exists a club  $E \subseteq \lambda^+$  and a regressive function f on  $E \cap S_{\lambda}^{\lambda^+}$  such that  $p_i$  and  $p_j$  are compatible whenever f(i) = f(j).
  - [BGS21, Lem. 2.2.5]: Assume that P is a  $<\lambda$ -support iteration of iterands that all are: stationary  $\lambda^+$ -Knaster, strategically  $<\lambda$ -closed, and any two compatible conditions have a greatest lower bound, as do decreasing  $\omega$ sequences. Then P is stationary  $\lambda^+$ -Knaster.

Note that our Q satisfies the requirements, and that our proof of  $\lambda^+$ -cc actually shows stationary  $\lambda^+$ -Knaster.

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