

# THE SPECTRUM PROBLEM I: $\aleph_\varepsilon$ -SATURATED MODELS, THE MAIN GAP

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## ABSTRACT

The main goal of this paper is to complete the classification of those first-order theories such that  $I_{\aleph_0}^a(\lambda, T) = 2^\lambda$ . We introduce two notions, the *dimensional order property* and *deepness*. Our main theorem asserts that for a superstable theory  $T$ ,  $I_{\aleph_0}^a(\lambda, T) = 2^\lambda$  iff  $T$  has the dimensional order property or is deep. In a sense made precise in §4 this provides a syntactical characterization of theories with the maximum number of  $\aleph_\varepsilon$ -saturated models in each power.

## Introduction

We deal with the number  $I_{\aleph_0}^a(\aleph_\alpha, T)$  of non-isomorphic  $\aleph_\varepsilon$ -saturated models of a complete first-order theory  $T$  of cardinality  $\aleph_\alpha$ . (Note that for  $\aleph_0$ -categorical countable  $T$ , every model of  $T$  is  $\aleph_\varepsilon$ -saturated:<sup>††</sup>  $\aleph_\varepsilon$ -saturation is a slight strengthening of  $\aleph_0$ -saturated, denoted by  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturation.) For this we continue the classification of first-order theories (see [4]) introducing the dop (dimensional order property) and deepness.

We conclude that either  $I_{\aleph_0}^a(\aleph_\alpha, T) \cong 2^{\aleph_\alpha}$  for every  $\aleph_\alpha \cong \lambda(T) + \aleph_1$  or  $I_{\aleph_0}^a(\aleph_\alpha, T) \cong \beth_{\delta(|T|)}(|\alpha| + \aleph_0)$  for every  $\alpha$  (remember that  $\delta(|T|) < (2^{|T|})^+$ ).

As the name indicates, the author feels that this essentially solves the classification problem for  $\aleph_\varepsilon$ -saturated models (of first-order theories). The main results were announced in [3] and [4].

We deal also with the number of models no one elementarily embeddable into another. So we advance our knowledge on  $I(\aleph_\alpha, T)$  (the number of models of  $T$  of power  $\aleph_\alpha$ ), and, we think, help to deal with classes which do not strictly fall

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<sup>††</sup> But any such  $T$ , if it is superstable without the dop, then by the work of Cherlin, Harrington and Lachlan,  $R[x = x, L, \aleph_0]$  is finite and then we can show its depth is finite (in the notation of the proof of 3.2, we prove that for every  $b \in M_\eta$ ,  $I(\eta) + R[\text{tp}(b, N_\eta), L, \infty] \cong R[x = x, L, \infty]$ ).

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into our context. We end by introducing and writing down some properties of trivial types.

### §1. Notation and preliminaries

Our notation is from [4], and as we refer to it often we omit the [4] (so 4.1 means 4.1 in this paper, III 4.1 means [4] III 4.1). The following lemmas are just corollaries to [4] (1.1–1.4 to V §1, 1.7 to IV), however 1.1–1.4 will be used often in sections 3, 4, 5 and 1.5, 1.6 will be used only for proving the equivalences between various definitions of the dop in §2, and 1.7 will be used in section 5. One deviation from the notation of [4]:  $I, J$  are sets of sequences from  $\mathfrak{C}$ ,  $I, J$  are sets of indexes (ordered sets, or trees or sets of sequences of ordinals, usually).

(Hyp) In this section  $T$  will be stable.

1.1. CLAIM. *If  $A \subseteq B_l$  ( $l = 0, 1$ ),  $\text{tp}(B_1, B_0)$  does not fork over  $A$ ,  $p \in S^m(B_0)$  is orthogonal to  $A$ , then it is orthogonal to  $B_1$ .*

PROOF. W.l.o.g. we work in  $\mathfrak{C}^{\text{eq}}$  and w.l.o.g.  $B_l = \text{acl } B_l$ ,  $A = \text{acl } A$ . Choose any  $q \in S(B_1)$ . Construct an infinite indiscernible set  $I$  of elements realizing  $q$  such that  $\text{tp}_*(I, B_0 \cup B_1)$  does not fork over  $B_1$  and  $\text{Av}(I, I)$  is a stationarization of  $q$ . Similarly choose a set  $J$  of indiscernibles over  $B_0$  realizing  $p$ . Since  $\text{tp}_*(I, B_0 \cup B_1)$  does not fork over  $B_1$ , and  $\text{tp}(B_1, B_0)$  does not fork over  $A$ , by III 0.1  $\text{tp}_*(B_1 \cup I, B_0)$  does not fork over  $A$ , hence  $\text{tp}_*(I, B_0)$  does not fork over  $A$ . As  $p \in S^m(B_0)$  is orthogonal to  $A$  by V 1.5(1)  $\text{tp}_*(J, B_0)$  is orthogonal to  $A$ . Hence  $\text{tp}_*(J, B_0)$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(I, B_0)$  are orthogonal, hence by V 1.2(1) (since we work in  $\mathfrak{C}^{\text{eq}}$ ) weakly orthogonal, hence by V 2.7  $\text{Av}(I, \cup I)$ ,  $\text{Av}(J, \cup J)$  are orthogonal, so  $p, q$  are orthogonal.

1.2. DEFINITION. For  $A \subseteq B \subseteq C$  we say  $B <_A C$  iff for every  $\bar{c} \in C$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, B)$  is orthogonal to  $A$ .

1.3. LEMMA. (1) *Let  $N \subseteq M \subseteq A$ ,  $M <_N A$ ,  $M$  and  $N$  are  $F_\kappa^a$ -saturated,  $\kappa \geq \kappa_r(T)$  and  $M'$  is  $F_\kappa^a$ -prime over  $A$ , then  $M <_N M'$ .*

(2) *If  $B <_A C$ ,  $A \subseteq A_0$ ,  $B \subseteq B_0$ ,  $A_0 \subseteq B_0 \subseteq C_0$ ,  $C_0 = C \cup B_0$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(C, A_0)$  does not fork over  $A$ , and  $\text{tp}_*(C, B_0)$  does not fork over  $B$ , then  $B_0 <_{A_0} C_0$ .*

PROOF. (1) By V 3.2 and V 1.2(3).

(2) By 1.1 it is easy.

1.4 CLAIM. *Let  $\kappa \geq \kappa_r(T)$ . If  $N$  is  $F_\kappa^a$ -saturated,  $p \in S^m(B)$  is regular, stationary, not orthogonal to  $N$ , then  $p$  is not orthogonal to some regular  $q \in S^m(N)$ .*

PROOF. W.l.o.g.  $p \in S^m(M)$ ,  $N \subseteq M$  and  $M$  is  $F_\alpha^a$ -saturated. Let  $C \subseteq M$ ,  $|C| < \kappa$ ,  $p$  does not fork over  $C$ ,  $p \upharpoonright C$  stationary. Let  $A \subseteq N$ ,  $|A| < \kappa$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(C, N)$  does not fork over  $A$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(C, A)$  stationary.

Choose by induction on  $i < \omega$  elementary mappings  $f_i$ ,  $\text{Dom } f_i = A \cup C$ ,  $f_i \upharpoonright A = \text{id}$ ,  $\text{stp}_*(f_i(C), A) \equiv \text{stp}_*(C, A)$ , and  $f_0 = \text{id}$ ,  $\text{Rang}(f_1) \subseteq N$ , and for  $i < \omega$ ,  $i \geq 2$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(f_i(C), M \cup \bigcup_{j < i} f_j(C))$  does not fork over  $A$ .

Let  $p_i = f_i(p \upharpoonright (A \cup C))$ .

Clearly for  $i < j$ ,  $p_i$  is orthogonal to  $p_j$  iff  $p_0$  is orthogonal to  $p_1$  (by indiscernability).

Extend the domain of  $f_2$  to  $N \cup C$  by fixing  $N - C$ . By V 3.4,  $p_0, p_2$  are not orthogonal ( $p_0, f, f(p)$ ,  $A, B$  there, stand for  $p_0, f_2, p_2$ ,  $N, N \cup C$  here). Hence  $p_0, p_1$  are not orthogonal, so  $p$  is parallel to  $p_0$ , not orthogonal to  $p_1$ , parallel to the stationarization  $q$  of  $p_1$  in  $S^m(N)$ ,  $q$  regular. So we finish.

1.5. DEFINITION. Let  $A \subseteq B$ ,  $p \in S^m(B)$ , then we say that  $p$  is almost orthogonal to  $A$  if for every  $\bar{c}$ , s.t.  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, B)$  does not fork over  $A$  and every  $\bar{b}$  realizing  $p$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, B \cup \bar{c})$  does not fork over  $B$ .

1.6. CLAIM. (1) Let  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, B)$  is almost orthogonal to  $A$  iff  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, \text{acl } B)$  is orthogonal to  $\text{acl } A$  if  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, B)$  is orthogonal to  $A$ .

(2) If  $A \subseteq B$ ,  $p = \text{tp}(\bar{b}, B)$ , then  $p$  is almost orthogonal to  $A$  iff for any  $\bar{c}$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, B)$  does not fork over  $A$  implies  $\text{stp}(\bar{b}, B) \vdash \text{stp}(\bar{b}, B \cup \bar{c})$  iff for any  $C$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(C, B)$  does not fork over  $A$  implies  $\text{stp}(\bar{a}, B) \vdash \text{stp}(\bar{a}, B \cup C)$ .

(3) Let  $A \subseteq B$ ,  $p = \text{tp}(\bar{b}, B)$ , then  $p$  is almost orthogonal to  $A$  iff for every  $\bar{a}$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, B)$  does not fork over  $A$  implies  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, B \cup \bar{b})$  does not fork over  $A$ .

(4) For every  $\bar{a}$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, B)$  does not fork over  $A$  implies  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, B) \vdash \text{tp}(\bar{b}, B \cup \bar{a})$  iff  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, B)$  is almost orthogonal to  $A$  and in  $\mathbb{C}^{\text{eq}}$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, B) \vdash \text{tp}(\bar{b}, B \cup \text{acl } A)$ .

(5) If  $A = |M| \subseteq B$ ,  $M$  is  $F_\lambda^a$ -saturated,  $p \in S^m(B)$  is  $F_\lambda^a$ -isolated,  $\lambda \geq \kappa(\tau)$ , then  $p$  is almost orthogonal to  $A$ .

(6) If  $A = |M| \subseteq B$ ,  $M$  is  $F_\lambda^1$ -saturated (i.e.  $\lambda$ -compact),  $p \in S^m(B)$  is  $F_\lambda^1$ -isolated, then  $p$  is almost orthogonal to  $A$ .

1.7. CLAIM. If  $N$  is  $F_\lambda^a$ -prime over  $\emptyset$ ,  $\lambda \geq \kappa(T)$ ,  $|A| < \lambda$ ,  $\text{cf } \lambda \geq \kappa(T)$  and  $M$  is  $F_\lambda^a$ -prime over  $N \cup A$ , then  $M$  is  $F_\lambda^a$ -prime over  $\emptyset$ .

PROOF. We concentrate on the case  $\lambda = \aleph_0$ , so  $A = \bar{a}$ . W.l.o.g.  $M$  is  $F_\lambda^a$ -constructible over  $N \cup A$ . By IV 4.9(3), IV 4.10(2), IV 4.18 we can find  $I \subseteq N$ ,  $I$  an infinite indiscernible set,  $\text{Av}(I, N) = \text{tp}(\bar{a}, N)$ , and  $\text{Av}(I, \cup I) \vdash \text{Av}(I, N)$ . Now  $\|I\| = \lambda$  as  $N$  is  $F_\lambda^a$ -prime over  $\emptyset$  (see IV 4.9(2)). By IV 4.18,  $N$  is  $F_\lambda^a$ -prime over  $\cup I$ , and by IV 4.10(2)  $F_\lambda^a$ -constructible over  $I \cup \{\bar{a}\}$ . Hence  $M$  is

$F_\lambda^\alpha$ -constructible over  $I \cup \{\bar{a}\}$ , but as  $|I \cup \{\bar{a}\}| = \lambda$ ,  $I \cup \{\bar{a}\}$  is  $F_\lambda^\alpha$ -constructible over  $\emptyset$ . Hence  $M$  is  $F_\lambda^\alpha$ -constructible over  $\emptyset$ , hence  $M$  is  $F_\lambda^\alpha$ -prime over  $\emptyset$ .

1.8. DEFINITION. (1)  $I(\lambda, F, T)$  is the number of  $F$ -saturated models of  $T$  of power  $\lambda$ , up to isomorphism. If  $F = F_\kappa^\alpha$  we write  $I_\kappa^\alpha(\lambda, T)$ .

(2)  $IE(\lambda, F, T)$  is the maximal number of pairwise nonelementarily embeddable  $F$ -saturated models of  $T$  of power  $\lambda$ . If a maximum is not obtained, and the supremum is a limit cardinal  $\mu$ , we write the value as  $\mu^-$ . If  $F = F_\kappa^\alpha$  we write  $IE_\kappa^\alpha(\lambda, T)$ . We omit  $\lambda$  if we do not restrict the cardinality (so the value may be  $\infty$  or  $\infty^-$ ).

## §2. The dimensional order property

(Hyp) In this section  $T$  will be stable and  $\kappa$  be  $\kappa_\ast(T)$ .

Remember that  $T$  is unstable iff it has the order property, and unstable theories are complicated in some respects, e.g., they have many non-isomorphic models. However, a stable  $T$  may have an order hidden in it. For example, consider for  $\lambda > \aleph_0$ ,  $A \subseteq \lambda^2$ , the theory  $T$  of the model  $(B, F_1, F_2)$  where

$$B = \lambda \cup \{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) : \alpha, \beta, \gamma < \lambda, \text{ and } \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle \in A \Rightarrow \gamma < \omega\},$$

$$F_1(\alpha) = \alpha, \quad F_1((\alpha, \beta, \gamma)) = \alpha, \quad F_2(\alpha) = \alpha, \quad F_2((\alpha, \beta, \gamma)) = \beta.$$

Clearly  $T$  is not only stable, but even  $\aleph_0$ -stable, and  $\aleph_0$ -categorical; however, by cardinality quantifiers we can define an order (if  $A$  is an order).

We shall consider here a property, which clearly means there is a hidden order property. From later sections we can see that for  $T$  superstable and  $F_{\aleph_0}^\alpha$ -saturated models it is the only one. Note that here the order and independence properties coincide.

2.1. DEFINITION.  $T$  has the dimensional order property (dop in short) if there are models  $M_l$  ( $l = 0, 1, 2$ ), each  $F_\kappa^\alpha$ -saturated,  $M_0 \subseteq M_1, M_2$ , and  $\{M_1, M_2\}$  is independent over  $M_0$ , and the  $F_\kappa^\alpha$ -prime model over  $M_1 \cup M_2$  is not  $F_\kappa^\alpha$ -minimal over  $M_1 \cup M_2$ .

In this section we first develop a number of equivalent forms of the dimensional order property. These are summarized in Lemma 2.4. Condition 2.4 (d) $_{\aleph_0}$  is the form of the dimensional order property used in Theorem 2.5 to show that if a superstable  $T$  has dop then  $I_{\aleph_0}^\alpha(T, \lambda) = 2^\lambda$  (when  $T$  is stable in  $\lambda$ ).

2.2. LEMMA. Let  $M_0 < M_1, M_2$ , each  $M_l$   $F_\kappa^\alpha$ -saturated,  $\lambda \cong \mu \cong \kappa$ ,  $\{M_1, M_2\}$

independent over  $M_0$ ,  $M F_\mu^a$ -atomic over  $M_1 \cup M_2$  and  $M$  is  $F_\mu^a$ -saturated. Then the following conditions are equivalent :

- (a)  $M$  is not  $F_\mu^a$ -minimal over  $M_1 \cup M_2$ .
- (b) There is an infinite indiscernible  $I \subseteq M$  over  $M_1 \cup M_2$ .
- (c) There is  $p \in S^m(M)$  orthogonal to  $M_1$  and to  $M_2$ ,  $p$  not algebraic.
- (d) There is an infinite  $I \subseteq M$  indiscernible over  $M_1 \cup M_2$  such that  $\text{Av}(I, M)$  is orthogonal to  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ . Hence by 1.6(5),  $\text{tp}_*(I, M_1 \cup M_2)$  is almost orthogonal to  $M_1$  and to  $M_2$ .

PROOF. The equivalence of (a) and (b) is the content of IV 4.21, and (d)  $\Rightarrow$  (b), (c) are trivial; we now prove (b)  $\Rightarrow$  (d), (c)  $\Rightarrow$  (d). The "hence" in (d) can be proved as in the proof of (c)  $\Rightarrow$  (d).

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (d). We can assume  $|I| = \aleph_0$ , and suppose  $I \subseteq M$  is indiscernible over  $M_1 \cup M_2$  but not orthogonal to  $M_1$  (by symmetry). So by definition,  $\text{Av}(I, I)$  is not orthogonal to some  $r \in S^m(M_1)$ .

Let  $I = J \cup \{\bar{a}_n : n < \omega\}$ ,  $|J| < \kappa$ ,  $\text{Av}(I, I)$  does not fork over  $J$ ,  $\text{Av}(I, J)$  is stationary, and let  $\{\bar{b}_n : n < \omega\}$  be an independent set over  $(M_1 \cup M_2 \cup I, M_1)$  of sequences realizing  $r$  (hence indiscernible over  $M_1 \cup M_2 \cup I$ ). By V 2.7 for some  $k$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{b}_k, M_1 \cup M_2 \cup J)$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{a}_k, M_1 \cup M_2 \cup J)$  are not weakly orthogonal.

As  $M$  is  $F_\mu^a$ -atomic over  $M_1 \cup M_2$ , for some  $B_1 \subseteq M_1 \cup M_2$ ,  $|B_1| < \mu$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(I', B_1) \vdash \text{tp}_*(I', M_1 \cup M_2)$  where  $I' = J \cup \{\bar{a}_l : l \leq k\}$ . Hence for some  $C \subseteq M_1 \cup M_2$ ,  $|C| < \aleph_0$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{b}_k, B_1 \cup C \cup J)$  and  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{a}_k, B_1 \cup C \cup J)$  are not weakly orthogonal. Now  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{b}_k, M_1 \cup M_2 \cup J)$  does not fork over  $M_1$  (by the choice of the  $\bar{b}$ 's) and  $M_1$  is  $F_\mu^a$ -saturated and  $|B_1 \cup C \cup J| < \mu + \aleph_0 + \aleph_0 = \mu$ , so some  $\bar{c}_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{c}_k \in M_1$  realizes  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{b}_k, B_1 \cup C \cup J)$  (see III 0.1). So  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{a}_k, B_1 \cup C \cup J)$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{c}_k, B_1 \cup C \cup J)$  are not weakly orthogonal, hence

$$\text{tp}(\bar{a}_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{a}_k, B_1 \cup C \cup J) \not\perp \text{tp}(\bar{a}_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{a}_k, B_1 \cup C \cup J \cup \bar{c}_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{c}_k),$$

hence (by Ax V2 for  $F_\infty^s$ )  $\text{tp}_*(I', B_1 \cup C) \not\perp \text{tp}_*(I', B_1 \cup C \cup (\bar{c}_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{c}_k))$ , hence by monotonicity  $\text{tp}_*(I', B_1) \not\perp \text{tp}(I', M_1 \cup M_2)$  contradicting the choice of  $B_1$ .

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (d). So let  $r \in S^m(M)$  be (not algebraic) and orthogonal to  $M_1, M_2$ . It suffices to prove that  $r \upharpoonright (B \cup M_1 \cup M_2)$  is realized in  $M$  for every  $B \subseteq M$ ,  $|B| < \kappa$ . [This is because then we can choose  $B_0 \subseteq M$ ,  $|B_0| < \kappa$ ,  $r$  does not fork over  $B$ ,  $r \upharpoonright B_0$  stationary, and  $\bar{b}_n \in M$  realizing  $r \upharpoonright (B_0 \cup \{\bar{b}_l : l < n\} \cup M_1 \cup M_2)$ , and then  $I = \{\bar{b}_n : n < \omega\}$  is as required — indiscernible by III 1.10(1).]

We can, of course, increase  $B$  as long as  $|B| < \kappa$ . So w.l.o.g.  $r$  does not fork over  $B$ ,  $r \upharpoonright B$  is stationary, for  $l = 0, 1, 2$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(B, M_l)$  does not fork over  $B \cap M_l$ , and let  $\bar{c}$  realize  $r$ ,  $B_l = B \cap M_l$ .

As  $|B| < \kappa$ ,  $M$  is  $F_\kappa^a$ -saturated, it suffices to prove

$$\text{stp}(\bar{c}, B) \vdash r \upharpoonright (B \cup M_1 \cup M_2).$$

For this let  $\bar{b}_l \in M_l (l = 1, 2)$  and it suffices to prove:

$$\text{stp}(\bar{c}, B) \vdash r \upharpoonright (B \cup \bar{b}_1 \cup \bar{b}_2).$$

We can find  $C \subseteq M_0$ ,  $|C| < \kappa$  such that  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}_l, M_0 \cup B_l)$  does not fork over  $B_l \cup C$  for  $l = 1, 2$ .

Now  $\text{tp}_*(B, M_0)$  does not fork over  $B \cap M_0 = B_0$  and  $C \subseteq M_0$  so  $\text{tp}_*(B, B_0 \cup C)$  does not fork over  $B_0$ . By symmetry,  $\text{tp}_*(C, B_0 \cup B) = \text{tp}_*(C, B)$  does not fork over  $B_0$ . Extend  $\text{tp}_*(C, B)$  to a type  $q$  over  $M$  which does not fork over  $B_0$ . Then  $q \upharpoonright M_l$  is orthogonal to  $r$  and parallel to  $\text{stp}_*(C, B)$  so by V 1.2(4),  $\text{stp}_*(C, B)$  is orthogonal to  $r$ . Hence,

$$(1) \text{stp}_*(\bar{c}, B) \vdash \text{stp}_*(\bar{c}, B \cup C).$$

Now  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}_1 \cup B_1, M_2)$  does not fork over  $M_0$  [as it is  $\subseteq \text{tp}_*(M_1, M_2)$ ] hence  $\text{tp}_*(\bar{b}_1, M_2 \cup B_1)$  does not fork over  $M_0 \cup B_1$ . Also  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}_1, M_0 \cup B_1)$  does not fork over  $B_1 \cup C$  by the choice of  $C$ , hence by III 0.1 (2),  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}_1, M_2 \cup B_1)$  does not fork over  $B_1 \cup C$ . Now  $B_1 \cup C \subseteq M_1$ ,  $B_1 \cup C \subseteq B \cup C \subseteq M_2 \cup B$ , hence  $\text{stp}_*(\bar{b}_1, C \cup B)$  is parallel to some complete type over  $M_1$ , hence is orthogonal to  $r$ , hence to  $\text{stp}_*(\bar{c}, C \cup B)$ . So

$$(2) \text{stp}_*(\bar{c}, C \cup B) \vdash \text{stp}_*(\bar{c}, C \cup B \cup \bar{b}_1).$$

Now  $\text{tp}_*(\bar{b}_2 \cup B_2, M_1)$  does not fork over  $M_0$  [as it is  $\subseteq \text{tp}_*(M_2, M_1)$ ], hence  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}_2, M_1 \cup B_2)$  does not fork over  $M_0 \cup B_2$ .

Also  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}_2, M_0 \cup B_2)$  does not fork over  $B_2 \cup C$  (by  $C$ 's choice), hence  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}_2, M_1 \cup B_2)$  does not fork over  $B_2 \cup C$ . As  $B_2 \cup C \subseteq M_2$ , and  $B_2 \cup C \subseteq B \cup C \cup \bar{b}_1 \subseteq M_1 \cup B$ , clearly  $\text{stp}(\bar{b}_2, C \cup B \cup \bar{b}_1)$  is parallel to some complete type over  $M_2$  hence is orthogonal to  $r$ , hence to  $\text{stp}(\bar{c}, C \cup B)$ . So

$$(3) \text{stp}(\bar{c}, C \cup B \cup \bar{b}_1) \vdash \text{stp}(\bar{c}, C \cup B \cup \bar{b}_1 \cup \bar{b}_2).$$

By (1), (2), (3) clearly

$$(4) \text{stp}(\bar{c}, B) \vdash \text{stp}(\bar{c}, B \cup \bar{b}_1 \cup \bar{b}_2)$$

which, as mentioned above, is sufficient.

2.3. CLAIM. Suppose  $\lambda \geq \kappa$ ,  $M_l$  ( $l = 0, 1, 2$ ) are  $F_\lambda^a$ -saturated,  $M_0 < M_1, M_2$ , and  $\{M_1, M_2\}$  is independent over  $M_0$ . Then

(1) Every  $F_\lambda^a$ -isolated  $p \in S^m(M_1 \cup M_2)$  is  $F_\kappa^a$ -isolated.

(2) A model  $M$  is  $F_\lambda^a$ -atomic over  $M_1 \cup M_2$  iff it is  $F_\kappa^a$ -atomic over  $M_1 \cup M_2$ . Hence if  $\kappa \leq \mu$ ,  $\chi \leq \lambda$ , and an  $F_\mu^a$ -prime model  $M$  over  $M_1 \cup M_2$  is  $F_\mu^a$ -minimal, then  $M$  is  $F_\chi^a$ -prime over  $M_1 \cup M_2$  (and  $F_\chi^a$ -minimal).

PROOF. (1) Suppose  $B \subseteq M_1 \cup M_2$ ,  $|B| < \lambda$ ,  $\bar{c}$  realizes  $p$  and  $\text{stp}(\bar{c}, B) \vdash p = \text{tp}(\bar{c}, M_1 \cup M_2)$ . We can assume that  $\text{tp}_*(B, M_0)$  does not fork over  $B \cap M_0$ .

Let  $C \subseteq B$ ,  $|C| < \kappa$  be such that  $p$  does not fork over  $C$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(C, M_0)$  does not fork over  $C \cap M_0$ . Now by III 4.22 it suffices to prove:

(\*) for any  $\bar{a} \in M_1 \cup M_2$ , there is  $\bar{a}' \in M_1 \cup M_2$  such that  $\text{stp}(\bar{a}', B)$  is a stationarization of  $\text{stp}(\bar{a}, C)$

We can find  $A \subseteq M_0$  such that  $\text{tp}_*(\bar{a} \cup C, M_0)$  does not fork over  $A$ , its restriction to  $A$  is stationary,  $|A| < \kappa$ , and let  $\bar{a} = \bar{a}_1 \wedge \bar{a}_2$ ,  $\bar{a}_l \in M_l$  ( $l = 1, 2$ ). Let  $A = \{a_i : i < i(0)\}$ , and we can find  $a'_i \in M_0$ , such that  $\text{stp}_*(\langle a'_i : i < i(0) \rangle, B \cap M_0)$  extends  $\text{stp}_*(\langle a_i : i < i(0) \rangle, C \cap M_0)$  and does not fork over  $C \cap M_0$ , hence over  $C$ . Now find  $\bar{a}'_i \in M_i$  such that  $\text{stp}_*(\langle a_i : i < i(0) \rangle \wedge \bar{a}'_i, B)$  extends  $\text{stp}_*(\langle a_i : i < i(0) \rangle \wedge \bar{a}_i, C)$  and does not fork over  $C$ . It is easy to check that  $\bar{a}' = \bar{a}'_1 \wedge \bar{a}'_2$  is as required.

(2) trivial from (1).

2.4. LEMMA. The following properties of  $T$  are equivalent for  $\lambda \geq \chi \geq \kappa$ :

(a)  $T$  has the dop (= dimensional order property).

(b) $_{\lambda, \chi}$  There are  $F_\lambda^a$ -saturated models  $M_0, M_1, M_2$ ,  $M_0 < M_1, M_2$ ,  $\{M_1, M_2\}$  independent over  $M_0$ , such that the  $F_\chi^a$ -prime model  $M_3$  over  $M_1 \cup M_2$  is not  $F_\chi^a$ -minimal.

(c) $_{\lambda, \chi}$  There are  $F_\lambda^a$ -saturated models  $M_0, M_1, M_2, M_0 < M_1, M_2, \{M_1, M_2\}$  independent over  $M_0$ , and there is an  $F_\chi^a$ -atomic non- $F_\chi^a$ -minimal model  $M_3$  over  $M_1 \cup M_2$ .

(d) $_{\lambda}$  There are sets  $A_0, A_1, A_2$  such that  $A_0 \subseteq A_1, A_2$ ,  $|A_l| < \lambda$ ,  $\{A_1, A_2\}$  is independent over  $A_0$ ; and there is an infinite  $I$  indiscernible over  $A_1 \cup A_2$ , orthogonal to  $A_1$  and to  $A_2$ , and  $\text{tp}_*(I, A_1 \cup A_2)$  is almost orthogonal to  $A_1$  and to  $A_2$ . Moreover, if  $\bar{a}_l$  ( $l = 0, 1, 2$ ) are such that  $\{A_1, A_2, \bar{a}_0\}$  is independent over  $A_0$ , and  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_l, A_0 \cup A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \bar{a}_0 \cup \bar{a}_{3-l})$  does not fork over  $A_1 \cup \bar{a}_0$  for  $l = 1, 2$ , then

$$\text{stp}_*(I, A_1 \cup A_2) \vdash \text{tp}_*(I, A_1 \cup \bar{a}_1 \cup A_2 \cup \bar{a}_2).$$

We can replace  $\bar{a}_l$  by  $B_l$ .

PROOF. As (a) is  $(b)_{\kappa, \kappa}$  it suffices to prove:

(i)  $(c)_{\lambda, \chi} \Rightarrow (d)_{\kappa}$ ; (ii)  $(d)_{\kappa} \Rightarrow (d)_{\chi}$ ; (iii)  $(d)_{\chi} \Rightarrow (b)_{\lambda, \chi}$ ; (iv)  $(b)_{\lambda, \chi} \Rightarrow (c)_{\lambda, \chi}$ .

(i)  $(c)_{\lambda, \chi} \Rightarrow (d)_{\kappa}$

So let  $M_0, M_1, M_2, M_3$  exemplify  $(c)_{\lambda, \chi}$ . Now by 2.2(d) there is an infinite  $I \subseteq M_3$  indiscernible over  $M_1 \cup M_2$  such that  $\text{Av}(I, M_3)$  is orthogonal to  $M_1$  and to  $M_2$ . First assume  $\kappa > \aleph_0$ , and w.l.o.g.  $|I| = \aleph_0$ . By 2.3,  $\text{tp}_*(I, M_1 \cup M_2)$  is  $F_{\kappa}^a$ -isolated, and so for some  $A \subseteq M_1 \cup M_2$ ,  $|A| < \kappa$ , with  $\text{stp}_*(I, A) \vdash \text{stp}_*(I, M_1 \cup M_2)$ . We can also assume that  $\text{tp}_*(A, M_0)$  does not fork over  $A \cap M_0$  and  $\text{tp}_*(A, A \cap M_0)$  is stationary. Let  $A_l = A \cap M_l$ . It is easy to check that  $\{A_1, A_2\}$  is independent over  $A_0$  (as  $\{M_1, M_2\}$  is independent over  $M_0$ , and use III 0.1). Clearly  $\text{tp}_*(I, A_1 \cup A_2)$  is almost orthogonal to  $A_1$  and to  $A_2$ , and even the stronger assertion in 2.4 (d) holds.

If  $\kappa = \aleph_0$ ,  $T$  is superstable and so there is a finite  $J \subseteq I$  such that  $\text{Av}(I, J)$  does not fork over  $\bigcup J$  and  $\text{Av}(I, J)$  is stationary, and continue as before with  $J$  instead of  $I$  noticing that  $\text{tp}_*(I, A_1 \cup A_2 \cup J)$  does not fork over  $\bigcup J$ , is stationary, and is orthogonal to  $M_1$  and to  $M_2$ .

(ii)  $(d)_{\kappa} \Rightarrow (d)_{\chi}$

As  $\kappa \leq \chi$ , if  $A_l (l = 1, 2, 3)$ ,  $I$  exemplify  $(d)_{\kappa}$ , then they exemplify  $(d)_{\chi}$ .

(iii)  $(d)_{\chi} \Rightarrow (b)_{\lambda, \chi}$

Let  $A_0, A_1, A_2, I$  exemplify  $(d)_{\chi}$ .

Let  $M_0$  be an  $F_{\lambda}^a$ -saturated model of  $T$ ,  $A_0 \subseteq M_0$ . By using automorphism of  $\mathcal{C}$  we can assume  $\text{tp}_*(A_l, M_0 \cup A_{3-l})$  does not fork over  $A_0$ . Next choose an  $F_{\lambda}^a$ -saturated  $M_1$ , such that  $M_0 \cup A_1 \subseteq M_1$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(M_1, M_0 \cup A_2)$  does not fork over  $M_0$ , and an  $F_{\lambda}^a$ -saturated  $M_2$ , such that  $M_0 \cup A_2 \subseteq M_2$  and  $\text{tp}_*(M_2, M_1)$  does not fork over  $M_0$  (this is easy). So clearly  $\{M_1, M_2\}$  is independent over  $M_0$ , and by the latter part of (d) $_{\chi}$

$$\text{stp}_*(I, A_1 \cup A_2) \vdash \text{stp}_*(I, M_1 \cup M_2).$$

So  $\text{tp}_*(I, M_1 \cup M_2)$  is  $F_{\chi}^a$ -isolated, so there is  $M_4$   $F_{\chi}^a$ -prime over  $M_1 \cup M_2$ , such that  $I \subseteq M_4$ .

As  $M_4$  contains an infinite indiscernible set  $I$  over  $M_0 \cup M_1$ , it is not  $F_{\chi}^a$ -minimal (by [4] IV 4.21), so we prove  $(b)_{\lambda, \chi}$ .

(iv)  $(b)_{\lambda, \chi} \Rightarrow (c)_{\lambda, \chi}$

Trivial.

2.5. THEOREM. Suppose  $T$  has the dop,  $T$  stable in  $\lambda$  and  $\kappa \leq \mu < \lambda$ . Then  $T$  has  $2^{\lambda}$  non-isomorphic  $F_{\mu}^a$ -saturated models of cardinality  $\lambda$ .

PROOF. Let  $A_0, A_1, A_2, I$  be as 2.2 (d) $_{\kappa}$ ,  $|I| = \aleph_0$  and let  $J$  be any set of indices. W.l.o.g. we shall work in  $\mathcal{C}^{eq}$  (see [4] III §6).

Let  $A'_i = \text{acl } A_i$ ; and we can define, for  $l = 1, 2, s \in J$ , an elementary mapping  $f'_s$ , such that:

$$(\alpha) \text{ Dom } f'_s = A'_i,$$

$$(\beta) f'_s \upharpoonright A'_0 = \text{the identity},$$

$$(\gamma) \text{tp}_*(f'_s(A'_i), \bigcup \{f'_t(A'_k) : (t, k) \neq (s, l), t \in I, k \in 3\}) \text{ does not fork over } A'_0.$$

Next, for every  $s, t \in J$  (not necessarily distinct) we choose an elementary mapping  $f_{s,t}$ , whose domain is  $A'_1 \cup A'_2 \cup I$ , and which extends  $f'_s, f'_t$ . (This is possible as  $f'_s \cup f'_t$  is an elementary mapping, which is true because  $\text{tp}(A'_i, A'_0)$  is stationary (by III 6.9 (1) and the independence of  $\{A'_1, A'_2\}$  and of  $\{f'_s(A_1), f'_t(A_2)\}$  over  $A'_0$ .) Let  $A'_s = f'_s(A_i)$  (so  $|A'_s| < \kappa$ ),  $I_{s,t} = f_{s,t}(I)$ . Now:

$$(st) \quad \text{stp}_*(I_{s,t}, A'_s \cup A'_t) \vdash \text{stp}_* \left( I_{s,t}, \bigcup_{v \in I} A'_v \cup \bigcup_{v \in I} A''_v \cup \bigcup_{(v,u) \neq (s,t)} I_{v,u} \right).$$

This holds by 2.4(d) for

$$B_0 = \bigcup \{A'_v : (v, l) \neq (s, 1), (t, 2)\} \cup \{I_{u,v} : \{u, v\} \cap \{s, t\} = \emptyset\},$$

$$B_1 = B_0 \cup A'_s \cup \bigcup \{I_{s,v} : v \neq t, v \in J\},$$

$$B_2 = B_0 \cup A'_t \cup \bigcup \{I_{u,t} : u \neq s, u \in J\}.$$

Let  $I_{s,t}^*$  be any set indiscernible over  $A'_s \cup A'_t$ , extending  $I_{s,t}$ , of power  $\mu^+$ . Clearly (st) continues to hold for the  $I_{s,t}^*$ 's.

Let  $R$  be any two place relation over  $J$ , and let  $C_R = \bigcup_{t,s} A'_t \cup \bigcup_{R(s,t)} I_{s,t}^*$ , and let  $M_R$  be an  $F_{\mu^+}$ -prime model over  $C_R$ .

It is easy to check that  $|J| = \lambda$  implies  $\|M_R\| = \lambda$  (remember  $T$  is stable in  $\lambda$ ). Now, using (st) we show:

$$\text{for } s, t \in J,$$

$$(st1) \quad \text{there is in } M_R \text{ an } I \text{ of power } \mu^+ \text{ realizing } \text{tp}_*(I_{s,t}^*, A'_s \cup A'_t) \text{ iff } R(s, t).$$

If  $R(s, t)$  holds, clearly there is in  $M_R$  an  $I$  (of power  $\mu^+$ ) realizing  $\text{tp}_*(I_{s,t}^*, A'_s \cup A'_t)$ ;  $I_{s,t}^*$  itself. Suppose  $R(s, t)$  fail,  $I \subseteq M_R, |I| = \mu^+$  realizes  $\text{tp}_*(I_{s,t}^*, A'_s \cup A'_t)$ . We shall work in  $\mathcal{C}^{eq}$ . If  $\text{stp}_*(I, A'_s \cup A'_t) \equiv \text{stp}_*(I_{s,t}, A'_s \cup A'_t)$  we get an easy contradiction: by IV 4.9,  $\dim(I, C_R, M) \leq \mu$ , and by (st),  $\dim(I, C_R, M) = \dim(I, A'_s \cup A'_t, M)$  which should be  $\geq |I| = \mu^+ > \mu$ , contradiction. However, if  $\text{stp}_*(I, A'_s \cup A'_t) \neq \text{stp}_*(I_{s,t}^*, A'_s \cup A'_t)$ , as  $\text{tp}(I, A'_s \cup A'_t) = \text{tp}(I_{s,t}^*, A'_s \cup A'_t)$ , still  $A_0, A'_s, A'_t, I$  satisfies 2.4(d) $_{\kappa}$ , so we can prove the assertion corresponding to (st).

So in  $M_R$  the relation  $R$  on  $\langle A_i^1 \cup A_i^2 : i \in J \rangle$  is defined; and  $|A_i^1| < \kappa, \lambda = \lambda^{<\kappa}$  (as  $T$  is stable in  $\lambda, \kappa = \kappa_r(T)$ ). So as in VIII 3.2, we can prove that there are  $2^\lambda$  pairwise non-isomorphic  $F_\mu^a$ -saturated models of  $T$  of cardinality  $\lambda$ . The case which most interests us,  $\mu = \aleph_0, T$  superstable (i.e.  $\kappa(T) = \aleph_0$ ), has the same proof as in VIII §2: we have just to choose the right  $\Phi$  (see there).

REMARKS. (1) For most  $\lambda$  we can also get  $2^\lambda$  such models no one elementarily embeddable into the other, e.g., for  $\lambda$  regular  $> |T|$ ; more generally, see also [6].

(2) In 2.5, if  $T$  is not stable in  $\lambda$  we can still get similar results.

For the reader unsatisfied with this, we give in more detail two cases.

2.5A. FACT. If  $T$  has the dop  $\chi \cong \lambda > \kappa, \chi > \mu \cong \kappa, \lambda$  regular, then there are sets  $A_i$  ( $i < 2^\lambda$ ), each of power  $\chi$ , such that, letting  $M_i$  be  $F_\mu^a$ -prime over  $A_i$ , the following holds:

- (i) The  $M_i$ 's are pairwise not isomorphic.
- (ii) For  $i \neq j, M_i$  is not elementarily embeddable into  $M_j$ .
- (iii) For  $i \neq j$ , there is no elementary mapping from  $A_i$  into  $M_j$ .

PROOF. Let  $S^* = \{\delta < \lambda : \text{cf } \delta = \kappa\}$ , and for each  $\delta \in S$  let  $\eta_\delta$  be an increasing sequence of successor ordinals of length  $\kappa$  converging to  $\delta$ . For every  $S \subseteq S^*$  let

$$J_S = \chi 2, \quad R_S = \{ \langle \eta_\delta(i), \delta \rangle : \delta \in S, i < \kappa \}, \quad A_S = C_{R_S}, \quad M^S = M_{R_S},$$

$$A_S^1 = \bigcup_{\substack{l < 2 \\ i < \lambda}} A_i^1 \cup \bigcup \{ I_{(i, \delta)} : (i, \delta) \in R \}.$$

Now suppose  $S_1, S_2 \subseteq S, S_1 - S_2$  is stationary,  $f: A_{S_1}^1 \rightarrow M_{S_2}$  an elementary mapping, and we shall eventually get a contradiction. This clearly suffices. By renaming, we can assume that  $f$  is into

$$B = B_0 \cup \{ a_i : i < \lambda \} \quad \text{where } B_0 = A_{S_2} \cup \bigcup_{\substack{i < \lambda 2 \\ i < 2}} A_i^1,$$

$\text{tp}(a_i, B_i)$  is  $F_\mu^a$ -isolated where  $B_i = B_0 \cup \{ a_j : j < i \}$ .

Let  $\lambda^* > 2^\lambda$  be regular, and choose  $N_i < (H(\lambda^*), \in), \|N_i\| < \lambda, N_i \cap \lambda = \delta_i, \langle N_i : j \leq i \rangle \in N_{i+1}$ , and  $f, A_{S_1}^1, B, B_0, \langle a_i : i < \lambda \rangle, R_S, \langle A_i^1 : l < 2, i < \chi 2 \rangle, \langle I_{\eta_\delta}^* : s, t \in J_{S_m} \rangle$  ( $m = 1, 2$ ) belongs to  $N_0$ . Choose  $\zeta \in S_1 - S_2, \zeta = \delta_\zeta$ .

Next choose  $M < (H(\lambda^*), \in), \zeta \in M, M \cap \kappa$  an ordinal  $\xi, \langle N_i : i < \lambda \rangle \in M$ , and all the elements which we demand to be in  $N_0$  will be in  $M$  too.

Now  $f(A_\zeta^0 \cup A_\zeta^1 \cup \bigcup I_{(\eta_\delta(\xi), \zeta)})$  gives us the desired contradiction.

2.5B. FACT. There are  $\Phi, T_1$  such that  $T \subseteq T_1$ ,  $|T_1| \leq \lambda(T)$  and  $\Phi$  is proper for  $(\omega, T_1)$  (see Def. VII 2.6 p. 393, and Lemma VIII 2.3) such that for every linear ordering  $I$ :

- (1)  $EM(I, \Phi)$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated.
- (2) There is a formula

$$\psi(\bar{y}, \bar{z}) = (\exists x_0, \dots, x_i, \dots)_{i < \mu^+} \bigwedge_{\alpha < \mu^+} \varphi_i(\dots, x_{i(\alpha, l)}, \dots, \bar{y}, \bar{z}),$$

$\varphi_i$  first order,  $\bar{y}, \bar{z}$  of length  $< \kappa$ , such that, for  $s, t \in I$ ,

$$EM(I, \Phi) \models \psi[\bar{b}_s, \bar{b}_t] \quad \text{iff } s < t$$

where

$$\bar{b}_i = \langle f_i(\bar{a}_i) : i < |A_1 \cup A_2| < \kappa \rangle, \text{ and if } \kappa = \aleph_0, \bar{b}_i = \bar{a}_i.$$

PROOF. Let  $J$  be  $\{i : i < \aleph_{\delta_0}^+\}$ , where  $\delta_0 = \aleph_8(|T|)$ ,  $I_{s,t}^*$  has power  $\lambda$ ,  $M_R^0$  be  $F_{\aleph}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{i,s} A_s^i \cup \bigcup \{I_{s,t}^* : s < t\}$  (so  $R$  is the natural ordering). Now expand  $M_R^0$  by  $\lambda(T)$  functions and get  $M_R'$  such that:

(a) For every  $\bar{b} \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $\bar{a} \in M$ ,  $\text{stp}(\bar{b}, \bar{a})$  is realized in the closure of  $\bar{a}$  by the functions of  $M_R'$ .

(b)  $P = \{\bar{a}_s : s \in J\}$  where  $\bar{a}_s \subseteq A_s^0 \cup A_s^1$ , and if  $\kappa = \aleph_0$  then equality holds (i.e., the range of  $\bar{a}_s$  is  $A_s^0 \cup A_s^1$ ) and always  $A_s^0 \cup A_s^1 \subseteq \{f_i(\bar{a}_s) : i\}$ .

(c)  $f(-, \bar{a}_s, \bar{a}_i)$  ( $s < t$ ) is a one-to-one function from  $M_R$  into  $I_{s,t}^*$ .

(d)  $M_R'$  has Skolem functions.

Now apply Morley's proof of the omitting type theorem to get  $EM^1(\Phi, \omega)$ , a model of  $T_1 = \text{Th}(M_R')$ , which realizes only types  $M_R'$  realizes.

From 2.5B,  $I_{\aleph_0}^a(\lambda, T) = 2^\lambda$  for  $\lambda \geq \lambda(T) + \aleph_1$  follows from VIII 3.2 (for  $\lambda > \lambda(T)$  it already follows from [1], [2] 2.6).

Remember that for  $T$  superstable,  $|T| + \aleph_1 \leq \lambda \leq \lambda(T)$ ,  $I(\lambda, T) = 2^\lambda$  was proved in IX 1.20.

Now we shall mention a topic, not necessary for the rest of the paper, but naturally connected to the dop. Just as we have looked at "hidden order" we can look for "hidden unstability," like the one caused by  $\kappa(T) > \aleph_0$ .

2.6. DEFINITION.  $T$  has the discontinuity dimensional property (didip in short) in the cardinal  $\mu$  ( $\mu$  regular) if there are  $F_{\aleph}^a$ -saturated models  $M_\alpha$  ( $\alpha < \mu$ ) such that  $\alpha < \beta \Rightarrow M_\alpha < M_\beta$  and the  $F_{\aleph}^a$ -prime model over  $\bigcup_{i < \mu} M_i$  is not  $F_{\aleph}^a$ -minimal over  $\bigcup_{i < \alpha} M_i$ .

Now if  $T$  has the didip for  $\mu$ , then  $\mu < \kappa(T)$  and there are  $2^\lambda F_{\aleph}^a$ -saturated

non-isomorphic models of power  $\lambda$  if  $\lambda > \chi \geq \kappa$ ,  $T$  stable in  $\lambda$ , at least when  $(\forall \lambda_1 < \lambda) \lambda_1^{<\mu} < \lambda$ ,  $\text{cf } \lambda = \lambda$ .

The proofs are parallel to the proofs in VIII on the number of  $F_\chi^a$ -saturated models of power  $\lambda$ , when  $\chi < \kappa(T)$  regular.

Also, the parallel of 2.3 holds, and if  $\chi > \kappa$  is singular,  $T$  does not have the didip for  $\text{cf } \chi$ , then  $F_\chi^a$ -prime model over any set  $A$  is unique. Also, if each  $M_i$  is  $F_\chi^a$ -saturated ( $i < \alpha$ )  $M < M_i$ ,  $\{M_i : i < \alpha\}$  is independent over  $M$ , and  $N$  is  $F_\chi^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{i < \alpha} M_i$ , and in addition  $T$  does not have the dop nor any case of didip, then  $N$  is  $F_\chi^a$ -minimal over  $\bigcup_{i < \alpha} M_i$ .

### §3. The decomposition lemma

(Hyp) In this section  $T$  is superstable without the dimensional order property.

The main result of this section, the decomposition lemma, states that (for superstable  $T$  without the dimensional order property) every  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated model is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over a non-forking tree  $N_\eta$  ( $\eta \in I$ ) (i.e.,  $I \subseteq \omega^{\omega} \parallel M \parallel$  is closed under initial segments, and  $\text{tp}(N_\eta, \bigcup \{N_\nu : \eta \not\leq \nu\})$  does not fork over  $N_{\eta \uparrow ((\eta) - 1)}$ , when  $l(\eta) > 0$ , and  $\eta \triangleleft \nu \Rightarrow N_\eta \subseteq N_\nu$ ). This is a kind of structure theorem, so this division line (superstable + not dop) is significant. Though we shall eventually prove that some such theories (the deep ones, see §5) have many non-isomorphic models, all of them do not have a family of  $\kappa$   $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated models no one elementarily embeds into another, with  $\kappa$  of arbitrary cardinality (this is with the help of [5]). Recall that for  $A \subseteq B \subseteq C$ ,  $B <_A C$  means that for each  $\bar{c} \in C$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, B)$  is orthogonal to  $A$ .

3.1. THE ATOMIC DECOMPOSITION LEMMA. *Suppose  $N_1 < M$  are  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated models. Then there are elements  $a_i \in M$  ( $i < \alpha$ ) and models  $N_{2,i}, M_i$  such that :*

- (a)  $N_1 < N_{2,i} < M_i < M$ ,
- (b)  $M_i, N_{2,i}$  are  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated,
- (c)  $\text{tp}(a_i, N_1)$  is regular, and for  $i \neq j$ ,  $\text{tp}(a_i, N_1), \text{tp}(a_j, N_1)$  are orthogonal or equal,
- (d)  $a_i \in N_{2,i}$ , and  $N_{2,i}$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N_1 \cup \{a_i\}$ ,
- (e)  $N_{2,i} <_{N_1} M_i$ , and  $M_i$  is maximal with respect to this property (in fact, for no  $a \in M - M_i$  is  $\text{tp}_*(M_1 \cup \{a\}, N_{2,i})$  orthogonal to  $N_1$ ),
- (f)  $M$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{i < \alpha} M_i$ ,
- (g)  $\{M_i : i < \alpha\}$  is independent over  $N_1$ , and  $\text{tp}_*(M_i, N_1 \cup \{a_i\})$  is almost orthogonal to  $N_1$ .

PROOF. Let  $I = \{a_i : i < \alpha\} \subseteq M$  be a maximal set, independent over  $N_1$  of

elements of  $M$  realizing over  $N_1$  regular types, and w.l.o.g. satisfying (c).

Let  $N_{2,i} \subseteq M$  be  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N_1 \cup \{a_i\}$ . So (c) and (d) hold trivially. By V 3.2, we have:

FACT A.  $\text{tp}(N_{2,i}, \bigcup_{j < \alpha, j \neq i} N_{2,j})$  does not fork over  $N_1$ .

Now for each  $i < \alpha$ , we define by induction on  $j < \|M\|^+$  an element  $b_{i,j} \in M - N_{2,j} \cup \{b_{i,\gamma} : \gamma < j\}$  such that  $\text{tp}(b_{i,j}, N_{2,i} \cup \{b_{i,\gamma} : \gamma < j\})$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -isolated or is orthogonal to  $N_1$  (we can assume that the second possibility occurs only if  $N_{2,i} \cup \{b_{i,\gamma} : \gamma < j\}$  is the universe of an  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime model). There is a first  $\beta(i) < \|M\|^+$  such that  $b_{i,\beta(i)}$  is not defined. Obviously:

FACT B.  $N_{2,i} \cup \{b_{i,\beta} : \beta < \beta(i)\}$  is the universe of an  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated model which we denote by  $M_i$  (clearly  $M_i < M$ ).

Now:

FACT C.  $\text{tp}_*(M_i, \bigcup_{j \neq i} M_j)$  does not fork over  $N_1$ .

To show Fact C, we just prove by induction on  $\xi \leq \sum_{i < \alpha} \beta(i)$  that if we let  $A_i^\xi = N_{2,i} \cup \{b_{i,\beta} : \sum_{j < i} \beta(j) + \beta < \xi\}$ , then for every  $i < \alpha$ ,  $\text{tp}(A_i^\xi, \bigcup_{j \neq i} A_j^\xi)$  does not fork over  $N_1$ . The induction step is by V 3.2, III 0.1 (when we add an element realizing an  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -isolated type) and V 1.2(3), III 0.1 (in the other case).

FACT D.  $N_{2,i} <_{N_1} M_i$ .

We prove by induction on  $\beta \leq \beta(i)$  that:

(\*)  $N_{2,i} <_{N_1} N_{2,i} \cup \{b_{i,\gamma} : \gamma < \beta\}$ .

For  $\beta = 0$  this is trivial, as well as for  $\beta$  limit. So let us prove it for  $\beta + 1$ . Let  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, N_{2,i})$  be a type which does not fork over  $N_1$ . Since  $N_1$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a(T)$ -saturated, by V 1.2(3) it suffices to prove that  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, N_{2,i})$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(\{b_{i,\gamma} : \gamma \leq \beta\}, N_{2,i})$  are weakly orthogonal. This is equivalent to

$$\text{tp}(\bar{c}, N_{2,i}) \vdash \text{tp}(\bar{c}, N_{2,i} \cup \{b_{i,\gamma} : \gamma \leq \beta\}).$$

By the induction hypothesis on  $\beta$

$$\text{tp}(\bar{c}, N_{2,i}) \vdash \text{tp}(\bar{c}, N_{2,i} \cup \{b_{i,\gamma} : \gamma < \beta\}).$$

Hence  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, N_{2,i} \cup \{b_{i,\gamma} : \gamma < \beta\})$  does not fork over  $N_{2,i}$ , hence (by transitivity, see III 0.1) does not fork over  $N_1$ , and it suffices to prove it is weakly orthogonal to  $\text{tp}(b_{i,\beta}, N_{2,i} \cup \{b_{i,\gamma} : \gamma < \beta\})$ . If the latter is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -isolated this holds by V 3.2 and if the latter is orthogonal to  $N_1$ , this holds by V 1.2(3).

FACT E.  $M$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime and  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -minimal over  $\bigcup_{i < \alpha} M_i$ .

PROOF OF FACT E. Let  $M' < M$  be  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{i < \alpha} M_i$  (we know that there is such  $M'$ ). Suppose  $M' \neq M$  which holds if  $M$  is not  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{i < \alpha} M_i$ , and  $M'$  can be chosen so that it holds if  $M$  is not  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime and  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -minimal over  $\bigcup_{i < \alpha} M_i$ ; we shall eventually get a contradiction. Choose  $b \in M - M'$  with  $R[\text{tp}(b, M'), L, \infty]$  minimal (it is  $< \infty$  as  $T$  is superstable).

By V 3.5,  $\text{tp}(b, M')$  is regular. Let us first assume that  $\text{tp}(b, M')$  is not orthogonal to  $N_1$ , then by 1.4 there is a regular type  $p \in S^m(N_1)$  not orthogonal to it, hence by V 1.12 some  $b' \in M - M'$  realizes the stationarization of  $p$  over  $M'$ . But this contradicts the maximality of  $I = \{i : i < \alpha\}$  as  $b'$  can serve as  $a_\alpha$ .

So we can assume  $\text{tp}(b, M')$  is orthogonal to  $N_1$ . Choose a set  $B \subseteq M'$ ,  $|B| < \kappa(T) = \aleph_0$  such that  $\text{tp}(b, M')$  does not fork over  $B$ . Since  $M'$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated we can also assume  $\text{tp}(b, B)$  is stationary. Also there is a finite  $S \subseteq \alpha$  such that  $\text{tp}_*(B, \bigcup_{i \in S} M_i)$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -isolated [as  $\text{tp}_*(B, \bigcup_{i < \alpha} M_i)$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -isolated by IV 4.3 as  $B \subseteq M'$ , and  $M'$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{i < \alpha} M_i$ ]. So there is  $M^* \subseteq M'$   $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{i \in S} M_i$  and  $b \in M$  so that  $\text{tp}(b, M^*)$  is a regular type orthogonal to  $N_1$ . We prove that this is impossible by induction on  $|S|$ . If  $|S| = 0$  then  $\text{tp}(b, M^*)$  is not orthogonal to  $N_1$  as  $M^* = N_1$ , contradiction. If  $|S| = 1$ ,  $S = \{i\}$  we get a contradiction to the definition of  $M_i$ . Suppose  $|S| = n + 1$  and assume by induction that for any  $U \subseteq \alpha$  with  $|U| \leq n$ , if  $N^* < M$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{i \in U} M_i$  and  $r \in S(N^*)$  is a regular type which is realized in  $M$ , then  $r$  is not orthogonal to  $N_1$ . Let  $i \in S$  and choose  $M^+ \subseteq M^*$ ,  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{j \in S, j \neq i} M_j$  such that  $M^*$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $M^+ \cup M_i$  (for some fixed  $i \in S$ ). By V 3.2  $\{M^+, M_i\}$  is independent over  $N_1$ . Since  $T$  does not have dop, by 2.3,  $\text{tp}(b, M^*)$  is not orthogonal to one of  $M_i$  or  $M^+$ . Let  $N$  denote the model  $\text{tp}(b, M^*)$  is not orthogonal to. By Lemma 1.4 there is a regular  $q \in S^m(N)$  such that  $q$  is not orthogonal to  $\text{tp}(b, M^*)$ . But  $\text{tp}(b, M^*)$  is orthogonal to every (regular) complete type over  $N_1$ . Since non-orthogonality is transitive on regular types (V 1.13), it follows that  $q$  is orthogonal to every regular type in  $S(N_1)$ , i.e. by 1.4,  $q$  is orthogonal to  $N_1$ . But  $q$  is not orthogonal to  $\text{tp}(b, M^*)$  and  $b$  is in the  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated model  $M$ , so by V 1.12, the stationarization of  $q$  on  $M^*$  and hence  $q$  is realized in  $M^*$ . But then  $q$  and  $N$  contradict the hypothesis of induction.

So we prove Fact E and we can check that the only part of 3.1 to be proved is the last phrase of (e) which we leave to the reader. For (g) use 1.6(5), 1.6(1).

3.2. THE DECOMPOSITION LEMMA. For any  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated model  $M$  we can find a set  $I \subseteq {}^\omega \aleph_0$  (finite sequences of ordinals  $< \aleph_0$ ) closed under initial segments, and  $N_\eta, a_\eta$  for  $\eta \in I$  and  $p_\eta (\eta \in I - \{\langle \rangle\})$  such that :

- (1)  $N_\eta < M$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated.
- (2)  $N_{\langle \cdot \rangle}$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime (over  $\emptyset$ ).
- (3)  $p_{\eta^\wedge(i)} = \text{tp}(a_{\eta^\wedge(i)}, N_\eta)$  is regular, and for  $\eta^\wedge(j) \in I$ ,  $p_{\eta^\wedge(i)}$ ,  $p_{\eta^\wedge(j)}$  are orthogonal or equal.
- (4)  $N_{\eta^\wedge(i)}$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N_\eta \cup \{a_{\eta^\wedge(i)}\}$ .
- (5)  $\text{tp}_*(N_{\eta^\wedge(i)}, \bigcup \{N_\nu : \nu \in I \text{ but not } \eta^\wedge(i) \leq \nu\})$  does not fork over  $N_\eta$  (for  $\eta^\wedge(i) \in I$ ).
- (6)  $M$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime and  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -minimal over  $\bigcup_{\eta \in I} N_\eta$ .
- (7)  $\text{tp}_*(\bigcup \{N_\nu : \eta \leq \nu \in I\}, N_\eta)$  is orthogonal to  $N_{\eta \upharpoonright n}$  when  $l(\eta) = n + 1$ .

PROOF. We define by induction on  $n$ , a set  $I_n$  of sequences of ordinals of length  $n$ , models,  $N_\eta$ ,  $M_\eta$  and elements  $a_\eta$  for each  $\eta \in I_n$  such that:

- (1)  $\eta \in I_n$ ,  $m < n$  implies  $\eta \upharpoonright m \in I_m$ , and  $I_0 = \{\langle \cdot \rangle\}$ .
- (2)  $N_\eta$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated.
- (3)  $N_{\langle \cdot \rangle}$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime (over  $\emptyset$ ).
- (4)  $N_{\eta^\wedge(i)}$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N_\eta \cup \{a_{\eta^\wedge(i)}\}$ .
- (5) Let  $p_{\eta^\wedge(i)} = \text{tp}(a_{\eta^\wedge(i)}, N_\eta)$ , then it is regular, and  $p_{\eta^\wedge(i)}$ ,  $p_{\eta^\wedge(j)}$  are equal or are orthogonal.
- (6)  $M_\eta$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated,  $N_\eta \subseteq M_\eta \subseteq M$ .
- (7)  $\eta \triangleleft \nu$  implies  $N_\eta \subseteq N_\nu \subseteq M_\nu \subseteq M_\eta$ .
- (8)  $M_\eta$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_i M_{\eta^\wedge(i)}$ .
- (9)  $N_{\eta^\wedge(i)} <_{N_\eta} M_{\eta^\wedge(i)}$ .
- (10)  $\{M_{\eta^\wedge(i)} : \eta^\wedge(i) \in I\}$  is independent over  $N_\eta$ .
- (11)  $A_\eta = \{a_{\eta^\wedge(i)} : \eta^\wedge(i) \in I\}$  is a maximal subset of  $M_\eta$  (or even set of sequences from  $M_\eta$ ) independent over  $N_\eta$ .
- (12)  $A_\eta$  is a maximal subset of  $M$  which is independent over  $N_\eta$  and every element of it realizes over  $N_\eta$  a type orthogonal to  $\bigcup_{k < l(\eta)} N_{\eta \upharpoonright k}$  if  $\eta \neq \langle \cdot \rangle$ .

The definition is easy: for  $n = 0$  trivial, for  $n + 1$ , for each  $\eta \in I_n$  we apply 3.1 with  $N_\eta$ ,  $M_\eta$  standing for  $N_1$ ,  $M$  and get  $a_i$ ,  $N_{2,i}$ ,  $M_i$  and let  $a_{\eta^\wedge(i)} = a_i$ ,  $N_{\eta^\wedge(i)} = N_{2,i}$ ,  $M_{\eta^\wedge(i)} = M_i$  (so  $I_{n+1}$  is the set of  $\nu$ 's of length  $n + 1$  for which  $N_\nu$  is defined).

Let  $I = \bigcup_n I_n$ . Now all the conditions of the lemma are obvious except “ $M$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime and  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -minimal over  $\bigcup_{\eta \in I} N_\eta$ ” and (11), (12).

Let us first prove (11), (12). If (11) or (12) fails for  $\eta$ , let  $\bar{a}$  exemplify it; i.e.  $\bar{a} \notin N_\eta$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, N_\eta)$  is orthogonal to  $N_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-1)}$  if  $k = l(\eta) > 0$ , and  $\bar{a} \notin N_\eta$  and  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, N_\eta \cup \{a_{\eta^\wedge(i)} : \eta^\wedge(i) \in I\})$  does not fork over  $N_\eta$ ; w.l.o.g.  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, N_\eta)$  is regular.

As in the proof of 3.1,

$$\text{tp}(\bar{a}, \bigcup \{N_{\eta^\wedge(i)} : \eta^\wedge(i) \in I\}) \not\vdash \text{tp}(\bar{a}, \bigcup \{M_{\eta^\wedge(i)} : \eta^\wedge(i) \in I\}),$$

and as  $M_\eta$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup \{M_{\eta \wedge (i)} : \eta \wedge (i) \in I\}$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, \bigcup_i M_{\eta \wedge (i)})$  does not fork over  $N_\eta$ , by V 3.2,

$$\text{tp}\left(\bar{a}, \bigcup_i M_{\eta \wedge (i)}\right) \vdash \text{tp}(\bar{a}, M_\eta).$$

This proves (11) (i.e., when  $\bar{a} \in M_\eta$ ); for (12) note that by the above  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, M_\eta)$  does not fork over  $N_\eta$ , hence is the stationarization of  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, N_\eta)$  which is orthogonal to  $N_{\eta \upharpoonright (l(\eta)-1)}$  when it is defined. Let  $k = l(\eta)$ , and we now prove by induction on  $l \leq k$  that  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, M_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l)})$  does not fork over  $N_\eta$ .

We have proved for  $l = 0$  and for  $l + 1$  notice that as  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, M_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l)})$  does not fork over  $N_\eta$ , it is parallel to  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, N_\eta)$ , hence orthogonal to  $N_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l)}$  hence to  $N_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l-1)}$ . So for  $j \neq \eta(k-l-1)$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, M_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l)})$  is orthogonal to  $\text{tp}_*(M_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l-1) \wedge (j)}, N_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l-1)})$ .

As  $\{M_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l-1) \wedge (j)} : j < \alpha\}$  is independent over  $N_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l-1)}$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, M_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l)})$  is orthogonal to  $\text{tp}_*(\bigcup_{j \neq \eta(k-l-1)} M_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l-1) \wedge (j)}, N_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l-1)})$ , and

$$\text{tp}(\bar{a}, M_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l)}) \vdash \text{tp}\left(\bar{a}, \bigcup_j M_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l-1) \wedge (j)}\right).$$

So as  $M_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l-1)}$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_j M_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l-1) \wedge (j)}$ , by IV 4.10(2),

$$\text{tp}(\bar{a}, M_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l)}) \vdash \text{tp}(\bar{a}, M_{\eta \upharpoonright (k-l-1)}),$$

so also the latter does not fork over  $N_\eta$ . For  $l = k$  we get a contradiction to  $\bar{a} \in M = M_\eta$ , as  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, M_\eta)$  does not fork over  $N_\eta$ , and  $\bar{a} \notin N_\eta$ .

Now we shall prove that  $M$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime,  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -minimal over  $\bigcup_{\eta \in I} N_\eta$ . So suppose  $M' \subseteq M$ ,  $M' \neq M$ ,  $M'$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{\eta \in I} N_\eta$ , and choose  $b \in M - M'$ ,  $R[\text{tp}(b, M'), L, \infty]$  minimal, hence  $\text{tp}(b, M')$  is regular. Now  $\text{tp}(b, M')$  is orthogonal to each  $N_\eta$ . If not, choose  $\eta$  with minimal length, then by 1.4 for some regular  $q \in S^m(N_\eta)$ ,  $\text{tp}(b, M')$ ,  $q$  are not orthogonal and  $q = p_{\eta \wedge (i)}$  for some  $i$ , or  $q$  is orthogonal to every  $p_{\eta \wedge (i)}$ . Let  $q' \in S^m(M')$  be the stationarization of  $q$  over  $M'$ , so by V 1.12 there is  $\bar{a}' \in M$  which realizes  $q'$ , so  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}', M')$  does not fork over  $N_\eta$ . By choice of  $\eta$  (being of minimal length) (if  $\eta \neq \langle \ \rangle$ )  $\text{tp}(b, M')$  is orthogonal to  $\bigcup_{k < l(\eta)} N_{\eta \upharpoonright k}$ , hence by V 1.13 also  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}', M')$  is, so we get a contradiction to (12). We conclude  $\text{tp}(b, M')$  is really orthogonal to each  $N_\eta$ .

Choose a finite  $B \subseteq M'$  over which  $\text{tp}(b, M')$  does not fork, and a finite  $I^* \subseteq I$  closed under initial segments such that  $\text{tp}_*(B, \bigcup_{\eta \in I} N_\eta)$  does not fork over  $\bigcup_{\eta \in I^*} N_\eta$ . As  $M'$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{\eta \in I} N_\eta$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(B, \bigcup_{\eta \in I} N_\eta)$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -isolated, so  $\text{tp}_*(B, \bigcup_{\eta \in I^*} N_\eta)$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -isolated (see IV 4.3). Let  $N < M'$  be  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup\{N_\eta : \eta \in I^*\}$  and  $B \subseteq N$ . We have found an  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime model  $N$  over

$\bigcup_{\eta \in I^*} N_\eta$ , so that there is a regular type in  $S^m(N)$ , orthogonal to each  $N_\eta$  ( $\eta \in I^*$ ), realized in  $M$ , and  $I^*$  is finite, closed under initial segments. We get a contradiction to the statement in the last sentence by induction on  $|I^*|$ . If  $I^* = \{\eta \upharpoonright l : l < n\}$  this is trivial, and if not choose distinct  $\eta, \nu$  in some  $I^* \cap I_n$  with  $n$  minimal. Let  $N^0 = N_{\eta \upharpoonright (n-1)}$ ,  $N' < N$  be  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup \{N_\sigma : \eta \leq \sigma \in I^*\}$  and  $N^2 \subseteq N$  be  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup \{N_\sigma : \text{not } \eta \leq \sigma, \text{ but } \sigma \in I^*\}$  such that  $N$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N^1 \cup N^2$ . Now by 2.3 (and as  $T$  does not have the dop) for some  $l \in \{1, 2\}$ , there is a regular complete type over  $N^l$  orthogonal to  $N_0$ , realized in  $M$ , and we get a contradiction to the induction hypothesis on  $|I^*|$ .

In fact our proofs also prove:

3.3. LEMMA. *Suppose  $I \subseteq {}^{>\omega}\lambda$  is closed under initial segments,  $\{N_\eta : \eta \in I\}$  is a non-forking tree of  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated models [i.e.,  $\eta \triangleleft \nu \Rightarrow N_\eta < N_\nu$ ,  $\eta \in I - \{\langle \rangle\} \Rightarrow \text{tp}(N_\eta, \bigcup \{N_\nu : \nu \in I, \text{ not } \eta \leq \nu\})$  does not fork over  $N_{\eta \upharpoonright (l(\eta)-1)}$ , and each  $N_\eta$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated].*

*If  $T$  does not have the dop,  $M$   $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{\eta \in I} N_\eta$ , then  $M$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -minimal over  $\bigcup_{\eta \in I} N_\eta$  and every  $q \in S^m(M)$  is not orthogonal to some  $N_\eta$ .*

PROOF. First note:

3.3A. FACT. If  $S_1, S_2$  are non-empty subsets of  $I$  which are downward closed, then  $\{\bigcup_{\nu \in S_1} N_\nu, \bigcup_{\nu \in S_2} N_\nu\}$  is independent over  $\bigcup_{\nu \in S_1 \cap S_2} N_\nu$ .

PROOF. By the local properties of forking, it suffices to restrict ourselves first to the case  $S_1 - S_2$  finite, then to the case  $S_1 - S_2, S_2 - S_1$  finite, and at last  $S_1, S_2$  finite (using III 0.1).

Now we prove the statement by induction on  $|S_1 \cup S_2|$ ; w.l.o.g.  $S_1 \neq S_1 \cap S_2, S_2 \neq S_1 \cap S_2$ , clearly  $\langle \rangle \in S_1 \cap S_2$ .

So choose  $\eta \in S_1 - S_2$  of maximal length, and by the induction hypothesis and transitivity of forking (see III 0.1) it is enough that  $\text{tp}_*(N_\eta, \bigcup \{N_\nu : \nu \in S_1 \cup S_2, \nu \neq \eta\})$  does not fork over  $N_{\eta \upharpoonright (l(\eta)-1)}$ , but this follows from the hypothesis. Now return to 3.3.

If one of the conclusions fails we can reduce it to the case  $I = I^*$  is finite; then, as in 2.2, the two conclusions are equivalent. If both fail, there is  $M' < M$ ,  $M'$   $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{\eta \in I^*} N_\eta$ ,  $b \in M - M'$ ,  $\text{tp}(b, M')$  orthogonal to every  $N_\eta$ ; and continue as in the last part of the proof of 3.2: from the choice of  $B$ .

#### §4. Deepness

(Hyp) In this section  $T$  is superstable without the dop.

As we know that the number of non-isomorphic  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated models in every  $\aleph_\alpha \cong |T| + \aleph_1$  for unsuperstable  $T$  and for  $T$  with the dop, we concentrate on the case in the hypothesis. By the decomposition Lemma 3.2 we know every  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated model is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over a non-forking tree of  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime models. Clearly, if there are few trees then there are few models, but the converse is less clear. Anyhow, clearly the most important distinction is whether the tree ( $I$  in 3.2) is always well-founded. If it is always well-founded, naturally some rank is defined (called here the *depth*), and if the rank is small the number of models is small.

In this section we introduce the basic relevant notions and the simple facts about them. Notice that we could have chosen some other variants of the notions, but by later sections we will show that they would be equivalent.

We define the depth so that the results on the number of models can be stated smoothly (this is why 4.1(iii), 4.2(1) are such that the depth is not a limit ordinal).

Let us make some more specific remarks. Note that if the tree is not well-founded there are  $N_i < N_{i+1}$ ,  $N_{i+1}$   $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N_i \cup \{a_i\}$ ,  $\text{tp}(a_i, N_i)$  regular orthogonal to  $N_{i-1}$ . So the rank is defined as an attempt to build such a sequence (i.e., the rank of  $(N, N', a)$  is  $\infty$  iff there is such a sequence,  $N = N_0, N' = N_1, a = a_0$ ).

In Definitions 4.1 and 4.3 we give some variants of this, in 4.2 we define the relevant property of a theory (deepness), in 4.4 we prove various facts, and in 4.5 the essential equivalence of some variants is given. Now 4.6 says that, looking for high depth, it is enough to look at types not orthogonal to  $\emptyset$ . For "canonical" examples see 4.9, 4.10.

4.1. DEFINITION. Let  $K' = \{(N, N', a) : \text{tp}(a, N) \text{ is regular, and } N' \text{ is } F_{\aleph_0}^a\text{-prime over } N \cup \{a\}\}$ .

For every member of  $K'$  we define its depth, an ordinal (zero or successor but not limit) or infinity  $\infty$ , by:

- (i)  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) \geq 0$  iff  $(N, N', \bar{a}) \in K'$ ;
- (ii)  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) \geq \alpha + 1$  ( $\alpha$  zero or successor) iff for some  $N'', \bar{a}'$ :  $(N', N'', \bar{a}') \in K'$ ,  $N' <_N N''$  and  $\text{Dp}(N', N'', \bar{a}') \geq \alpha$ ;
- (iii)  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) \geq \delta + 1$  ( $\delta$  limit) iff  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) \geq \beta$  for  $\beta < \delta$ ;
- (iv)  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) = \infty$  iff for every ordinal  $\beta$   $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) \geq \beta$ ,  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) = \alpha$  iff  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) \geq \alpha$  but not  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) \geq \alpha + 1$ .

4.2. DEFINITION. (1) The depth of the theory  $\text{Dp}(T)$  is  $\bigcup \{\text{Dp}(N, N', a) : (N, N', a) \in K'\} + 1$ .

(2) The theory  $T$  is *deep* if its depth is  $\infty$ ; otherwise it is *shallow*.

4.3. DEFINITION. (1)  $K_\lambda = \{(N, N', \bar{a}) : N, N' \text{ are } F_\lambda^a\text{-saturated, } \bar{a} \in N', \bar{a} \notin N, N' F_\lambda^a\text{-atomic over } N \cup \{\bar{a}\}\}$ .  $\text{Dp}((N, N', \bar{a}), K)$  is defined as in 4.1 for any set  $K$  of triples. If  $(N, N', \bar{a}) \notin K$  we interpret  $\text{Dp}((N, N', \bar{a}), K)$  as  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}, K \cup \{(N, N', \bar{a})\})$  (not closing under isomorphism) and if  $K = K'$  we omit it.

Let  $K'_\lambda = \{(N, N', \bar{a}) \in K_\lambda : \text{tp}(\bar{a}, N) \text{ is regular}\}$ .

(2) For a tree  $I$ , we define  $\text{Dp}_\lambda(\eta, I)$  ( $\lambda$  a cardinal,  $\eta \in I$ ):  $\text{Dp}_\lambda(\eta, I) \geq \alpha + 1$  iff for  $\lambda$   $\nu$ 's,  $\eta < \nu$ ,  $\text{Dp}(\nu, I) \geq \alpha$ , and for  $\alpha = 0$  or limit  $\text{Dp}_\lambda(\eta, I) \geq \alpha$  iff  $\text{Dp}_\lambda(\eta, I) \geq \beta$  for every  $\beta < \alpha$ . So  $\text{Dp}_\lambda(\eta, I) = \alpha$  if it is  $\geq \alpha$  but not  $\geq \alpha + 1$ . Let  $\text{Dp}_\lambda(I) = \sup\{\text{Dp}_\lambda(\eta, I) : \eta \in I\}$ . For  $\lambda = 1$  we omit  $\lambda$ .

(3)  $\text{Dp}(T, K)$  is defined as in 4.2.

4.4. LEMMA. (1) If  $(N, N', \bar{a}), (N', N'', \bar{a}') \in K$ ,  $N' <_N N''$  then  $\text{Dp}((N, N', \bar{a}), K) \geq \text{Dp}((N', N'', \bar{a}'), K)$  (the inequality is strict except when both are  $\infty$ ) [this holds for any class  $K$  of triples].

(2) If  $\alpha \leq \text{Dp}((N, N', \bar{a}), K) < \infty$ ,  $(N, N', a) \in K$ ,  $\alpha$  not limit, then some  $(N_0, N'_0, \bar{a}_0) \in K$  has depth  $\alpha$  (in  $K$ ).

(3)  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) = \infty$  iff there are  $N_l, \bar{a}_l$  ( $l < \omega$ ),  $N_{l+1} <_{N_l} N_{l+2}$ ,  $N_0 = N$ ,  $N_1 = N'$ ,  $\bar{a}_0 = \bar{a}$ ,  $(N_{l+1}, N_{l+2}, \bar{a}_l) \in K'$ . (Similarly for any "reasonable"  $K$ .)

(4) If  $\alpha = \text{Dp}(T)$  or  $\alpha = \text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a})$ ,  $\alpha < \infty$ , then  $\alpha < (2^{|T|})^+$  and in fact  $\alpha < \delta(|T|)$  (see below what is  $\delta(|T|)$ ).

(5) The depth is preserved by automorphisms of  $\mathfrak{C}$ .

(6) If  $(N_l, N'_l, \bar{a}_l) \in K'_{\aleph_0}$  ( $l = 0, 1$ ) and  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_l, N_l)$  are parallel or not orthogonal, then  $\text{Dp}(N_0, N'_0, \bar{a}_0) = \text{Dp}(N_1, N'_1, \bar{a}_1)$ . If only  $(N_1, N'_1, \bar{a}_1) \in K'_{\aleph_0}$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_1, N_1)$  regular, still  $\text{Dp}(N_0, N'_0, \bar{a}_0) \leq \text{Dp}(N_1, N'_1, \bar{a}_1)$ .

REMARK. Remember that  $\aleph_{\delta(\lambda)}$  is the Hanf number of omitting types for theories of power  $\lambda$ , i.e., it is the first cardinal  $\mu$  such that if  $T$  is a (first-order) theory of cardinality  $\lambda$ ,  $p$  a type of cardinality  $\lambda$ , and  $T$  has a model omitting  $p$  in every  $\chi < \mu$ , then  $T$  has a model omitting  $p$  in every cardinality  $\geq |T|$ .

This is well investigated, e.g.,  $\delta(\aleph_0) = \aleph_1$ ,  $\lambda^+ \leq \delta(\lambda) < (2^\lambda)^+$ , cf  $\lambda > \aleph_0 \Rightarrow \delta(\lambda) > \lambda^+$ ; for proofs and references see, e.g., VII §5.

The following lemma shows that there is no real difference between the various  $\text{Dp}(-, K)$ 's, in particular, whether we use  $a$  or  $\bar{a}$ .

4.4A. DEFINITION. We let, for regular  $p$ ,  $\text{Dp}(p)$  be the depth of  $(N, N', \bar{a}) \in K'_{\aleph_0}$  when  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, N)$ ,  $p$  are parallel.

PROOF OF LEMMA 4.4. Easy. Note for (3) we need (6).

(1) Trivial.

(2) We prove it by induction on  $\beta = \text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a})$ ; for  $\beta = \alpha$  there is nothing to prove; for  $\beta > \alpha$ , use 4.1 (ii) applied to  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) \cong \beta + 1$ , to get  $N''$ ,  $a'$  with  $\gamma = \text{Dp}(N', N'', \bar{a}') \cong \alpha$ , but by 4.4(1),  $\gamma < \beta$ , and use the induction hypothesis.

(4) By (6),  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a})$  depends only on  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, N)$  up to parallelism, and by (5) it is preserved by automorphisms of  $\mathfrak{C}$ , hence there are  $\leq 2^{|T|}$  possible depths. But by (2) the ordinals which are the depth of some triple form an initial segment of the set of the non-limit ordinals, hence

$$\alpha = \text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) < \infty \Rightarrow \alpha < (2^{|T|})^+.$$

The first phrase has been proved above. We work as in [4] VII §5. For the second phrase, let  $\mathfrak{B} = (H(\lambda), \in, T, \delta(|T|))$ ,  $H(\lambda)$  — the family of sets of hereditary cardinality  $< \lambda$ , and w.l.o.g.  $T \subseteq |T|^+$ . Now consider  $\mathfrak{B}'$  elementarily equivalent to  $\mathfrak{B}$ , with “ $T$  and  $|T|$ ” standard: but non-well-ordered “ordinals”  $< \delta(T)$ . ( $\mathfrak{B}'$  is known to exist.)

In this model we can consider various notions and check whether they are absolute, i.e., whether if  $\mathfrak{B}'$  says something holds it really holds. Now this holds for

- (a) being a model of  $T$ ,
- (b)  $R(p, \Delta, \lambda) = n$  ( $\Delta$  finite,  $\lambda \leq \aleph_0$ ),
- (c) being orthogonal types,
- (d) non-orthogonal types,
- (e)  $\text{tp}_*(A, B)$  does not fork over  $C$ , and
- (f)  $A \subseteq B$ ,  $p \in S^m(B)$ ;  $p$  has a unique extension in  $S^m(N \cup B)$  when  $\text{tp}_*(N, B)$  does not fork over  $A$ .

We can conclude by 4.5 that also if  $\mathfrak{B}' \models \text{“Dp}(p) \cong a^*$ ,  $a^*$  an ordinal” then  $p$  has depth  $\cong$  the order type of  $\{a \in \mathfrak{B}' : a < a^*\}$ . If  $a^* \cong \delta(|T|)$  this is not well-founded so  $\text{Dp}(p) = \infty$ .

(5) Trivial.

(6) We prove by induction on  $\gamma$  that  $[\text{Dp}(N_0, N'_0, \bar{a}_0) \leq \gamma$  or  $\text{Dp}(N_1, N'_1, \bar{a}_0) \leq \gamma]$  implies the equality. We can choose  $F_\alpha^a$ -saturated  $N_2$ ,  $N_0 \cup N_1 \subseteq N_2$ , and by 4.4(5) w.l.o.g.  $\text{tp}(N'_l, N_2)$  does not fork over  $N_l$  (for  $l = 0, 1$ ). By V 3.2,  $N'_0$  is  $F_\alpha^a$ -constructible over  $N_2 \cup \bar{a}_0$ , and let  $N'_2$  be  $F_\alpha^a$ -primary over  $N_2 \cup N'_0 = N_2 \cup N'_0 \cup \bar{a}_0$ . In  $N'_2$   $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_1, N_2)$  is realized, so w.l.o.g.  $\bar{a}_1 \in N'_2$ ,  $N'_1 \subseteq N'_2$ ,  $N'_2$   $F_\alpha^a$ -prime over  $N_2 \cup \bar{a}_1$  and over  $N_2 \cup N'_1$  (and over  $N_2 \cup \bar{a}_0$  and over  $N_2 \cup N'_0$ ).

By symmetry it is enough to prove  $\text{Dp}(N_0, N'_0, \bar{a}_0) = \text{Dp}(N_2, N'_2, \bar{a}_0)$ , because checking the definition we can observe that  $\text{Dp}(N_2, N'_2, \bar{a}_0) = \text{Dp}(N_2, N'_2, \bar{a}_1)$ . Now the inequality  $\leq$  is trivial (with the induction hypothesis for  $\gamma$ ) and for the

inequality  $\cong$  we have to replace parameters with others of the same type. For proving the second phrase act as before, observing that by the first phrase  $\text{Dp}(N_1, N'_1, \bar{a}_1) = \text{Dp}(N_2, N'_2, \bar{a}_0)$ .

(3) First suppose that there are  $N_l, \bar{a}_l$ , and let  $\alpha_l = \text{Dp}(N_l, N_{l+1}, \bar{a}_l)$ . By 4.4(1),  $\alpha_l \cong \alpha_{l+1}$ , and if  $\alpha_l \neq \infty$ ,  $\alpha_l > \alpha_{l+1}$ . So if  $\alpha_0$  is  $\neq \infty$ , then  $\alpha_l$  ( $l < \omega$ ) is a strictly decreasing sequence of ordinals, contradiction; so  $\alpha_0 = \infty$ , but  $\alpha_0 = \text{Dp}(N_0, N_1, \bar{a}_0) = \text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a})$ , so we have proved the "if" part of 4.4(3).

Now suppose  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) = \infty$ . We define by induction on  $l, N_{l+1}, \bar{a}_l$  such that  $N_{l+1}$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated,  $\text{Dp}(N_l, N_{l+1}, \bar{a}_l) = \infty$ ,  $N_l <_{N_{l-1}} N_{l+1}$  (when  $l > 0$ ). So let  $N_0 = N, N_1 = N', \bar{a}_0 = \bar{a}$ . So the induction hypothesis holds. For  $l+1$  as  $\text{Dp}(N_l, N_{l+1}, \bar{a}_l) = \infty$ , there are  $N_{l+2}, \bar{a}_{l+1} = \langle a_{l+2} \rangle$ , such that  $(N_{l+1}, N_{l+2}, a_{l+2}) \in K'$ ,  $\text{Dp}(N_{l+1}, N_{l+2}, a_{l+2}) \cong (2^{l+1})^+$ , hence by 4.4(4),  $\text{Dp}(N_{l+1}, N_{l+2}, a_{l+2}) = \infty$ . As we can carry the induction we have proved the "only if" part of 4.4(3).

4.5. LEMMA. (1) For any  $(N, N', \bar{a}) \in K_\lambda$

$$\text{Dp}((N, N', \bar{a}), K_\lambda) = \text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}).$$

(2) If  $K'_1 = \{(N, N', a) \in K'_{\aleph_0} : N \text{ is } F_{\aleph_0}^a\text{-atomic over } N \cup \{a\}\}$ , then on  $K'_1$ ,  $\text{Dp}(-, K')$ ,  $\text{Dp}(-, K'_1)$  are equal.

PROOF. (1) Remember that by III 4.22, if  $M$  is  $F_\lambda^a$ -saturated,  $M'$   $F_\lambda^a$ -prime over  $M \cup \bar{a}$ ,  $\kappa < \lambda$  then  $M'$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $M \cup \bar{a}$ . So trivially by the definitions and 4.4(6)  $\text{Dp}((N, N', \bar{a}), K_\lambda) \cong \text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a})$ . So it suffices to prove by induction on  $\alpha$  that:

$$(*) \quad \text{Dp}((N, N', \bar{a}), K_\lambda) \cong \alpha \Rightarrow \text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) \cong \alpha \quad \text{for } (N, N', \bar{a}) \in K_\lambda.$$

For  $\alpha = 0$ ,  $\alpha$  limit and successor of limit this is trivial; for  $\alpha = \beta + 1, \beta$  not limit, there is  $(N', N'', \bar{a}') \in K_\lambda$ ,  $N' <_N N''$ , and  $\text{Dp}((N', N'', \bar{a}'), K_\lambda) \cong \beta$ , hence by the induction hypothesis  $\text{Dp}(N', N'', \bar{a}') \cong \beta$ . Apply Lemma 3.1 for  $N', N''$  standing for  $N_1, M$  and get  $a_i, N_{2,i}, M_i$  ( $i < i(0)$ ). By V Def. 3.2, Th. 3.2, w.l.o.g.  $N_{2,i} = M_i$  and  $i(0)$  is finite ( $= w(\bar{a}', N)$ ), and let  $\gamma = \text{Max}_{i < i(0)} \text{Dp}(N', N_{2,i}, a_i)$  (so  $\gamma$  is not limit); clearly it suffices to prove  $\gamma \cong \beta$ . Otherwise, as  $\gamma$  is not limit there is  $(N'', N^*, \bar{a}^*) \in K'$ ,  $N'' <_N N^*$ ,  $\text{Dp}(N'', N^*, \bar{a}^*) \cong \gamma$ . As  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}^*, N'')$  is regular, orthogonal to  $N'$ , clearly as in the proof of 3.1 (see Fact E) for some  $i < i(0)$  and regular  $q \in S^1(N_{2,i})$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}^*, N'')$  and  $q$  are not orthogonal. Let  $c$  realize  $q$ ,  $N'_{2,i}$  be  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N_{2,i} \cup \{c\}$ . So by 4.4(6)

$$(a) \quad \text{Dp}(N'', N^*, \bar{a}^*) = \text{Dp}(N_{2,i}, N'_{2,i}, c).$$

Now as  $q$  is not orthogonal to  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}^*, N'')$ , it is orthogonal to any regular complete type over  $N'$  (as non-orthogonality is an equivalence relation among

regular types, see V 1.13) hence  $q$  is orthogonal to  $N'$ . Hence  $N_{2,i} <_{N'} N'_{2,i}$ , hence (by 4.4(1))

$$(b) \quad \text{Dp}(N', N_{2,i}, a_i) > \text{Dp}(N_{2,i}, N'_{2,i}, \bar{c}).$$

As  $\text{Dp}(N'', N^*, \bar{a}^*) \cong \gamma$  by (a), (b),  $\text{Dp}(N, N_{2,i}, a_i) > \gamma$ , contradicting  $\gamma$ 's definition.

(2) Easy

4.6. LEMMA. *If  $(N_0, N'_0, \bar{a}_0) \in K'_{\aleph_0}$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_0, N_0)$  is orthogonal to  $\emptyset$  and has depth  $< \infty$ , then there is  $(N_1, N'_1, \bar{a}_1) \in K'_{\aleph_0}$  such that  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_1, N_1)$  is not orthogonal to  $\emptyset$  and*

$$\text{Dp}(N_0, N'_0, \bar{a}_0) < \text{Dp}(N_1, N'_1, \bar{a}_1).$$

4.6A. REMARK. So clearly for any complete type  $p$ ,  $\text{Dp}(p) = \text{Max}\{\text{Dp}(r) : r \text{ a complete regular type not orthogonal to } p\}$ .

PROOF. By 4.4(6), w.l.o.g.  $N_0$  and  $N'_0$  are  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\emptyset$ . Let  $B \subseteq N_0$  be finite, such that  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_0, N_0)$  does not fork over  $B$ . There is  $B'$  realizing the stationarization of  $\text{stp}_*(B, \emptyset)$  over  $N_0$ , and let  $M'$  be  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N_0 \cup B'$ . By 1.7,  $M'$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\emptyset$ . Hence by IV 4.18,  $N_0, M'$  are  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $B, B'$  resp., hence there is an isomorphism from  $M'$  onto  $N_0$  taking  $B'$  to  $B$ . So there is a model  $N < N_0$  such that  $\text{tp}_*(B, N)$  does not fork over  $\emptyset$  and  $N_0$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N \cup B$ . Hence by V 3.9 there is a finite set  $J = \{b_i : i < n\} \subseteq N_0$  independent over  $N$ , of elements realizing regular types, such that  $N_0$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N \cup J$ . By V 3.2 there are  $N_m^* < N_0$   $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N \cup b_m$  such that  $N_0$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{i < n} N_i^*$ . As  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_0, N_0)$  is orthogonal to  $\emptyset$ , is parallel to  $\text{stp}(\bar{a}_0, B)$ , and  $\text{tp}_*(B, N)$  does not fork over  $\emptyset$ , by 1.1  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_0, N_0)$  is orthogonal to  $N$ . On the other hand, by 3.3  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_0, N)$  is not orthogonal to some  $N_i^*$ , hence by 1.4 some regular  $q \in S^m(N_i^*)$  is not orthogonal to  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_0, N_0)$ , so by V 1.13 it is orthogonal to  $N$ .

Clearly  $\text{Dp}(N, N_i^*, b_i) > \text{Dp}(q) = \text{Dp}(N_0, N_1, \bar{a}_0)$  (see 4.4(1), 4.4(6) resp.) and  $\text{tp}(b_i, N)$  is not orthogonal to  $\emptyset$  as it is not orthogonal to  $\text{tp}_*(B, N)$  (because  $b_i \in N_0$ ,  $N_0$   $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N \cup B$ ,  $\text{tp}(B, N)$  does not fork over  $\emptyset$ ). Now put  $(N_1, N'_1, \bar{a}_1) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (N, N_i^*, b_i)$ .

4.7. THEOREM.  $I_{\aleph_0}^a(\aleph_\alpha, T)$  (the number of non-isomorphic  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated models of power  $\aleph_\alpha$ ) is at most  $\beth_{(-1)+(\text{Dp}(T))}(|\alpha|^{2^{|T|}})$  for shallow  $T$ , so it is  $< \beth_{\delta(|T|)}(|\alpha|^{2^{|T|}}) = \beth_{\delta(|T|)}(|\alpha|) < \beth_{(2^{|T|})+}(|\alpha|)$  and if  $T$  is countable  $< \beth_{\omega_1}(|\alpha|)$ .

PROOF. Immediate by 3.2, and the bounds on  $\delta(|T|)$  (see e.g. VII 5.5 and 5.5(2)).

4.8. EXAMPLE. A very natural example of a superstable  $T$  without the dop which is deep, is the following  $T: T_{\text{dp}} = \text{Th}(\omega^>\omega, f)$  when  $f(\eta)$  is  $\eta$  if  $\eta = \langle \ \rangle$ , and  $\eta \upharpoonright n$  if  $\eta \in {}^{n+1}\omega$ .

Notice that a model of  $T_{\text{dp}}$  consist of trees, exactly one with a root (i.e.,  $f(x) = x$ ), in which every element has infinitely many immediate predecessors (i.e.,  $y$ 's such that  $f(y) = x$ ). A similar example is  $T_{\text{dp}}^* = \text{Th}(\omega^>\omega, \dots, P_n, f_n, \dots)$  where  $P_n = {}^n\omega$ ,  $f_n$  is a partial function:  $f \upharpoonright P_n$ .

Both theories are  $\aleph_0$ -stable, and by expanding a little we can get elimination of quantifiers.

4.9. EXAMPLES. Examples of shallow theories can be obtained similarly to 4.8; we prefer to use the  $T^{\alpha}$  from II p. 22: the language consists just of the two-place relations  $E_i$  ( $i < \alpha$ ). The axioms of  $T$  state: each  $E_i$  is an equivalence relation, for  $i < j$ ,  $E_i$  refines  $E_j$ , moreover each  $E_i$ -equivalence class is the union of infinitely many distinct  $E_i$ -equivalence classes. Also  $E_i$  has infinitely many equivalence classes and each  $E_i$ -equivalence class is infinite. It is not hard to check that  $\text{Dp}(N, N', a) = i$  iff  $i = \gamma$  when  $\gamma < \omega$ ,  $i = \gamma + 1$  otherwise, where  $\gamma = \min \{j: \text{there is } b \in N, bE_j a\}$  (and  $\gamma = \alpha$  if there is no such  $j$ ).

4.10. CONCLUSION. For every ordinal  $\beta$ , which is a positive natural number or a successor ordinal, for some  $T = T_{\beta}^*$ ,  $|T| = |\beta|$ , and for infinite  $\alpha$ ,  $I_{\aleph_0}^{\alpha}(\aleph_{\alpha}, T) = \beth_{\beta}(|\alpha|)$ .

PROOF. For  $\beta < \omega$  or  $\beta = \alpha + 2$  we use the previous example; for  $\beta = \delta + 1$ ,  $\delta$  limit, take the sum of models of  $T^{i^*}$  ( $i < \delta$ ) with disjoint languages. The computation is easy, but it is a worthwhile exercise for the reader as we are proving in the paper that every shallow theory  $T$  is in some sense similar to  $T_{\text{Dp}(T)}$ . Note also (see [5] and 5.5(2)).

4.11. THEOREM. (1) If  $T$  is shallow, then  $IE_{\aleph_0}^{\alpha}(T) < \beth_{\delta(|T|)}$ .

(2) If  $T$  is deep,  $\kappa_1$  the first beautiful cardinal  $> |T|$ ,  $\kappa_0$  the first beautiful cardinal, then  $\kappa_0^- \leq IE_{\aleph_0}^{\alpha}(T) \leq \kappa_1^-$ .

REMARK. So when  $|T|$  is big (= greater than the first beautiful cardinal) the following is not yet proved.

4.12. CONJECTURE.  $IE_{\aleph_0}^{\alpha}(T)$  is  $\leq \beth_{\delta(|T|)}$  or is  $\kappa^-$  for some beautiful cardinal  $T$  (superstable without the dop, of course).

## §5. Deep theories have many non-isomorphic models and trivial types

(Hyp) In this section,  $T$  is superstable without the dop.

Clearly, if  $T$  is deep, we can construct trees like the one we get in 3.2, and try to prove that we get many models. The freedom we have is to determine various dimensions. So when  $\alpha = \aleph_\alpha$  this is easy. Generally notice that we have much less freedom than, e.g., in 2.5 (when proving that the dop implies there are many models).

This section is dedicated to the proof of:

5.1. THEOREM. *If  $T$  is deep,  $\lambda(T) \leq \aleph_\alpha$ ,  $\aleph_\beta < \aleph_\alpha$  then  $I_{\aleph_\beta}^a(\aleph_\alpha, T) = 2^{\aleph_\alpha}$ , i.e.,  $T$  has  $2^{\aleph_\alpha}$  non-isomorphic  $F_{\aleph_\beta}^a$ -saturated models of cardinality  $\aleph_\alpha$ .*

REMARK. But the lemmas will be used for shallow theories. We shall concentrate on the case  $\aleph_\alpha > \lambda(T)$ , where  $\lambda(T)$  is the first cardinal in which  $T$  is stable.

5.2. DEFINITION. We call  $\langle N_\eta, a_\nu : \eta \in I, \nu \in I^+ \rangle$  a *representation* if:

(1)  $I$  is a tree with root  $\langle \rangle$  of height  $\leq \omega$ , and we let  $\eta^-$  be the unique predecessor of  $\eta$  for  $\eta \in I - \{\langle \rangle\} = I^+$  and  $I^- = \{\eta^- : \eta \in I^+\}$ .

(2)  $N_{\langle \rangle}$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\emptyset$ .

(3) If  $\eta = \nu_1^- = \nu_2^-$ , then  $p_{\nu_1} = \text{tp}(a_{\nu_1}, N_\eta)$  is regular, and  $p_{\nu_1}, p_{\nu_2}$  are equal or are orthogonal. If all  $p_\nu$  with  $\nu^- = \eta$  are equal,  $q_\eta$  will denote their common value.

(4) For  $\eta \in I^+$ ,  $N_\eta$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N_{(\eta^-)} \cup \{a_\eta\}$ .

(5) For  $\eta \in I^-$ ,  $\{a_\nu : \nu^- = \eta\}$  is independent over  $N_\eta$ .

(6) If  $\eta \in I$ ,  $\eta^-$  is defined then  $\text{tp}(a_\eta, N_{\eta^-})$  is orthogonal to  $N_{\eta^-}$ .

REMARK. We shall write in short  $\langle N_\eta, a_\eta : \eta \in I \rangle$ , though we do not need  $a_{\langle \rangle}$ , so  $a_{\langle \rangle}$  is any element of  $N_{\langle \rangle}$  or undefined.

5.3. DEFINITION. We say  $\langle N_\eta, a_\eta : \eta \in I \rangle$  is an  $F$ -representation of  $M$  if it is a representation and  $M$  is  $F$ -primary over  $\bigcup_{\eta \in I} N_\eta$ . If  $F = F_{\aleph_0}^a$ , we omit it.

5.4. LEMMA. *Let  $\langle N_\eta, a_\eta : \eta \in I \rangle$  be a representation, then:*

(1)  $\text{tp}(\bigcup \{N_\nu : \eta \leq \nu\} \cup \{N_\nu : \text{not } \eta \leq \nu\})$  does not fork over  $N_{(\eta^-)}$  (for  $\eta \in I^+$ ).

(2) For  $\eta \in I^+$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(\bigcup_{\nu \leq \eta} N_\nu, N_\eta)$  is orthogonal to  $N_{\eta^-}$ .

(3) For  $\eta, \nu \in I$ ,  $p_\eta, p_\nu$  are orthogonal or equal (and then  $\eta^- = \nu^-$ ).

(4) Each  $N_\eta$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\emptyset$ .

(5) if  $M$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{\eta \in I} N_\eta$ ,  $p \in S^m(M)$  is regular, then  $p$  is not orthogonal to some  $p' \in S^{m'}(N_\eta)$  for some  $\eta$ .

(6)  $\langle N_\eta, a_\eta : \eta \in I \rangle$  represent some model of power  $\lambda(I) + |I|$ .

(7)  $\text{Dp}(N_{\eta^-}, N_\eta, a_{\eta^-})$  is at least  $\text{Dp}(\eta, I)$  (see 4.1).

PROOF. As in the proof of 3.2, or easy using 3.3, 1.7. (1.7 is needed for (4).)

5.5. LEMMA. (1) Every  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated model has a representation.

(2) If  $\langle N_\eta^l, a_\eta^l : \eta \in I_l \rangle$   $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -represents  $M_l$ ,  $l = 0, 1$ ,  $F : I_0 \rightarrow I_1$  an isomorphism (for partially ordered sets so it preserves the level),  $F' : \bigcup_{\eta \in I_0} N_\eta^0 \rightarrow \bigcup_{\eta \in I_1} N_\eta^1$  is an elementary mapping, it maps  $N_\eta^0$  onto  $N_{F(\eta)}^1$  (equivalently, for each  $\eta \in I_0$ ,  $F' \upharpoonright N_\eta^0$  is an elementary mapping onto  $N_{F(\eta)}^1$ ,  $\text{Dom } F' = \bigcup_{\eta \in I_0} N_\eta^0$ ), then  $M_0, M_1$  are isomorphic.

(3) If in (2)  $F, F'$  are not necessarily onto, then  $M_0$  can be elementarily embedded into  $M_1$ .

PROOF. (1) This is by 3.2 (and 5.4).

(2),(3) Trivial.

5.6. LEMMA. For  $\beta > 0$ ,  $\langle N_\eta, \bar{a}_\eta : \eta \in I \rangle$   $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -represent an  $F_{\aleph_\beta}^a$ -saturated model iff for every  $\eta \in I$ , and regular  $p \in S^m(N_\eta)$  orthogonal to  $N_\eta^-$  for some  $q \in S^m(N_\eta)$  which is not orthogonal to  $p$  and for at least  $\aleph_\beta$   $\nu$ 's,  $p_\nu = q$ .

PROOF. Easy by 5.4(5), and usual arguments.

Let  $M$  be  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_\eta N_\eta$ , and suppose  $A \subseteq M$ ,  $|A| < \aleph_\beta$ ,  $p \in S(A)$  is omitted. Let  $\text{tp}(a, M)$  be a stationarization of  $p$  over  $M$ ; clearly w.l.o.g.  $p$  is stationary. By V 3.9 there are  $\{a_i : i < n\}$ , independent over  $M$ , realizing over it regular types such that  $\text{tp}(a, M \cup \{a_i : i < n\})$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -isolated: w.l.o.g.  $\text{tp}(a, A \cup \{a_i : i < n\})$  is isolated, and  $\text{tp}(a_i, M)$  does not fork over  $A$  and  $\text{tp}(a_i, A)$  is stationary. We now try to define by induction on  $i$ ,  $b_i \in M$  realizing  $\text{stp}(a_i, A \cup \{b_j : j < i\})$ . We have to fail for some  $i$ , so w.l.o.g.  $p$  is regular.

By 5.4(4)  $p$  is not orthogonal to some regular  $q \in S(N_\eta)$ , which is not orthogonal to some  $p_{\eta^{(i)}}$ , so we know  $p, p_{\eta^{(i)}}$  are not orthogonal. By V 2.3, 2.4,  $\dim(p, M) = \dim(p_{\eta^{(i)}}, M)$ , which is  $\cong \aleph_\beta$  by hypothesis, so we finish.

5.7. LEMMA. If  $T$  is deep, then for every tree  $I$  with root  $\langle \ \rangle$  and height  $\leq \omega$ , there is a representation  $\langle N_\eta, a_\eta : \eta \in I \rangle$  (in fact  $q_\eta$  is well defined for every  $\eta \in I^-$ , i.e.,  $p_{\eta^{(i)}} = q_\eta$ ).

PROOF. Easy.

By 4.4(3) there are  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated  $N_i, N_{i+1}$   $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N_i \cup \{a_i\}$ ,  $\text{tp}(a_i, N_i)$  regular,  $N_{i+1} <_{N_i} N_{i+2}$ . Complete the partial ordering of  $I$  to a well ordering and let  $\{\eta_i : i < i^*\}$  be a list of the members of  $I$  in increasing order. Let  $n(i) = l(\eta_i)$  and  $m(i)$  be maximal such that  $\eta_i \upharpoonright m(i) \in \{\eta : j < i\}$ , in fact  $\eta_i \upharpoonright m(i) = \eta_{j(i)}$  (for  $i > 0$ ). Now we define by induction on  $i$  an elementary mapping  $F_i$ .  $F_0$  is the identity on  $N_0$ ,  $F_i$  is an elementary mapping with domain  $N_{m(i)}$ , extending  $F_{j(i)}$  such that  $\text{tp}_*(F_i(N_{n(i)}), \bigcup_{j < i} F_j(N_{n(i)}))$  does not fork over  $F_{j(i)}(N_{m(i)})$ . Let  $N_{\eta_i} = F_i(N_{\eta_i})$ ,  $a_{\eta_i} = F_i(a_{\eta_i})$ , and the checking is easy.

REMARK. The following lemma will be needed during the proof of 5.1, so if the lemma does not make sense to the reader, it is recommended that he skip it and return when we use it.

5.8. MAIN LEMMA. Suppose  $M^l$  is represented by  $\langle N_\eta^l, a_\eta^l; \eta \in I_l \rangle$  for  $l = 0, 1$  and  $F: M^0 \rightarrow M^1$  is an elementary embedding. Suppose further that  $\eta \in I_0$ , and  $S_\eta \subseteq I_1$ ,  $|S_\eta| \leq \lambda(T)$ , is closed downward (i.e.,  $\sigma < \nu \in S_\eta \Rightarrow \sigma \in S_\eta$ ) and such that  $\text{tp}_*(F(N_\eta^0), \bigcup_{\nu \in I_1} N_\nu^1)$  does not fork over  $\bigcup_{\nu \in S_\eta} N_\nu^1$ . Suppose further that  $p$  is regular,  $p \in S^m(N_\eta^0)$ ,  $J = \{\nu \in I_0: \nu^- = \eta, p_\nu = p, \text{ and there are } > \lambda(T), \sigma \in I_0, \sigma^- = \nu\}$  has power  $> \lambda(T)$ . Then:

(1) There is  $\nu^* = \nu_\eta^* \in S_\eta$  and  $q_\eta^* \in S^m(N_{\nu_\eta^*}^1)$  (no connection to Definition 5.2(3)) such that  $F(p)$ ,  $q_\eta^*$  are not orthogonal (and  $p$  orthogonal to  $N_\sigma$  when  $\sigma < \nu_\eta^*$ ). Now by 5.4(3),  $q_\eta^*$  is the unique  $p_\sigma^1$  which is not orthogonal to  $F(p)$ , hence it does not depend on the particular choice of  $S_\eta$  (but only on  $F \upharpoonright N_\eta$ ).

(2) If for every  $\sigma_0 \in I_0$ ,  $|\{\sigma \in I_0: \sigma^- = \sigma_0^-, p_\sigma = p_{\sigma_0}\}| \geq \lambda > \lambda(T)$  and  $\nu_\eta^*$  is from (1), then  $\text{Dp}_\lambda(\eta, I_0) \leq \text{Dp}_\lambda(\nu_\eta^*, I_1)$ .

PROOF. (1) By II 4.2 there is  $J_0 \subseteq J$ ,

$$|J_0| \leq \left| \bigcup_{\sigma \in S_\eta} N_\sigma^1 \right| \leq |S_\eta| + \lambda(T) \leq \lambda(T) + \lambda(T) = \lambda(T)$$

such that  $\{F(a_\tau): \tau \in J - J_0\}$  is an independent set based on  $(F(N_\eta^0) \cup \bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau^1 \cup \{F(a_\tau): \tau \in J_0\}, F(N_\eta^0))$ .

Let  $M^* \subseteq M^1$   $F_{\aleph_0}$ -prime over  $F(N_\eta^0) \cup \bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau^1$ , so that clearly  $\text{tp}_*(M^*, \bigcup_{\tau \in I_1} N_\tau^1)$  does not fork over  $\bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau^1$ . So by the symmetry lemma  $\text{tp}_*(\bigcup_{\tau \in I_1} N_\tau^1, M^*)$  does not fork over  $\bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau^1$ .

Now  $F(p)$  is a type over  $F(N_\eta^0) \subseteq M^*$ , and let  $r \in S^m(M^*)$  be the stationarization of it. Let  $J^* = \{\nu \in I_1: \nu^- \in S_\eta, \nu \notin S_\eta\}$ . As for no  $\nu \in J^*$  does  $\nu^-, p_\nu^1$  serve as  $\nu_\eta^*$ ,  $q_\eta^*$  of (1), clearly, for every  $\nu \in J^*$ ,  $q_\nu$  is orthogonal to  $r$ . By the definition of a representation,  $\{a_\nu^1: \nu \in J^*\}$  is independent over  $\bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau$ . As  $\text{tp}_*(\{a_\nu^1: \nu \in J^*\}, M^*) \subseteq \text{tp}(\bigcup_{\tau \in I_1} N_\tau, M^*)$  does not fork over  $\bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau$ , clearly  $\{a_\nu^1: \nu \in J^*\}$  is independent over  $M^*$ , and  $\text{tp}(a_\nu, M^*)$  is the stationarization of  $p_\nu^1$  for every  $\nu \in J^*$ . As  $\text{tp}(a_\nu^1, M^*)$  is orthogonal to  $r$  for every  $\nu \in J^*$ , also  $\text{tp}_*(\{a_\nu^1: \nu \in J^*\}, M^*)$  is orthogonal to  $r$ . Let  $\bar{c}$  realize  $r$ . By V 3.2,

$$\text{tp}_* \left( \bigcup_{\nu \in J^*} N_\nu^1, M \cup \{a_\nu^1: \nu \in J^*\} \right) \vdash \text{tp} \left( \bigcup_{\nu \in J^*} N_\nu^1, M^* \cup \{a_\nu^1: \nu \in J^*\} \cup \bar{c} \right),$$

but by what we said before  $\text{tp}_*(\{a_\nu^1: \nu \in J^*\}, M^*) \vdash \text{tp}_*(\{a_\nu^1: \nu \in J^*\}, M^* \cup \bar{c})$ , hence  $\text{tp}_*(\bigcup_{\nu \in J^*} N_\nu^1, M^*) \vdash \text{tp}(\bigcup_{\nu \in J^*} N_\nu^1, M^* \cup \bar{c})$  hence  $\text{tp}_*(\bigcup_{\nu \in J^*} N_\nu^1, M^*)$ ,  $r$  are weakly orthogonal, hence orthogonal. If  $\nu^- \in J^*$ , clearly  $\{N_\nu^1, M^* \cup$

$\bigcup_{\tau \in J} N_\tau^1$  is independent over  $N_{\nu^-}$ , hence by 1.1  $p_\nu^1$  is orthogonal to  $M^* \cup \bigcup_{\tau \in J} N_\tau^1$ . So we can easily continue and get, eventually, that  $r$  is orthogonal to  $\text{tp}_*(\bigcup_{\tau \in I_1} N_\tau, M^*)$ .

Clearly w.l.o.g.  $M^1$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^*$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{\tau \in I_1} N_\tau \cup M^*$ , hence  $r$  has a unique extension in  $S^m(M^1)$  and  $\dim(F(p), M^*) = \dim(F(p), M^1)$ . However

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(T) &< |J| \leq \dim(p, M^0) \leq \dim(F(p), M^1) = \dim(F(p), M^*) \\ &\leq \|M^*\| \leq \lambda(T) + \left| F(N_\eta^0) \cup \bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau^1 \right| \leq \lambda(T), \quad \text{contradiction.} \end{aligned}$$

Checking the proof we see that  $F(p)$  is not orthogonal to some  $p_\nu^1$ ,  $\nu^- \in S_\eta$ . So w.l.o.g.  $q_\eta^*$  is like that and we know there is at most one  $p_\nu^1$  not orthogonal to  $F(p)$  by 5.4(3).

Before we continue to prove 5.8(2), we prove a sublemma which will do most of the work.

**5.9. SUBLEMMA.** *For every  $\nu \in J$  (by 5.8's notation and assumptions) except  $\leq \lambda(T)$  of them, there is  $\sigma_\nu \in \{\sigma \in I_1 : \sigma^- = \nu_\eta^*, p_\sigma^1 = q_\eta^*\}$  such that :*

- $\text{tp}_*(F(N_\nu^0), \bigcup \{N_\tau^1 : \text{not } \sigma_\nu \leq \tau\})$  does not fork over  $\bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau^1$ .
- $\{F(\bar{a}_\nu^0), a_{\sigma_\nu}^1\}$  is not independent over  $F(N_\eta^0) \cup \bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau^1$ .
- $\text{tp}_*(F(\bigcup_{\tau \geq \sigma_\nu} N_\tau^0), F(N_\nu^0) \cup \bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau^1)$  and  $\text{tp}_*(\{N_\tau^1 : \text{not } \sigma_\nu \leq \tau\}, F(N_\nu^0) \cup \bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau^1)$  are weakly orthogonal.
- For every  $\tau_0 \in I_0$ ,  $\nu \triangleleft \tau_0$ ,  $F(p_{\tau_0}^0)$  not orthogonal to  $p_{\tau_1}^1$ , implies  $\sigma_\nu \triangleleft \tau_1$ .
- The mapping  $\nu \mapsto \sigma_\nu$  is one-to-one.

**PROOF OF 5.9.** Let  $J_1 = \{\sigma \in I_1 : \sigma^- = \nu_\eta^*, p_\sigma^1 = q_\eta^*\}$ . Let  $\nu \in J - J_0$ . Now by V 3.1 there is  $J_\nu^1 \subseteq J_1$ ,  $|J_1 - J_\nu^1| \leq 1$  such that  $\{\bar{a}_\sigma^1 : \sigma \in J_\nu^1\} \cup \{F(\bar{a}_\nu^0)\}$  is independent over  $F(N_\eta^0) \cup \bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau^1$ . Now it is easy to see that  $\{F(N_\nu^0), \bigcup \{N_\tau^1 : \tau \text{ is not } \geq \text{than a member of } J_1 - J_\nu^1\}\}$  is independent over  $\bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau^1$ . If  $J_1 = J_\nu^1$ , by the definition of  $J$  we can get a contradiction as in the proof of (1). So let  $J_1 - J_\nu^1 = \{\sigma_\nu\}$ .

Now (a) (of 5.9) has already been proved (as  $J_\nu^1 = J_1 - \{\sigma_\nu\}$ ) and (e) follows by V 3.1. Now (d) follows from (c) which is quite easy. Part (b) can be proved easily: by the definition of  $J$ , there is  $\rho \in I_0$ ,  $\rho^- = \nu$ ,  $\dim\{p_\rho^0, M'\} > \lambda(T)$ , hence  $F(p_\rho^0)$  is not orthogonal to some  $p_{\rho_1}^1$ , clearly  $\nu_\eta^* \leq \rho_1$ , but if  $\sigma \leq \rho_1$ ,  $\sigma \in J_1$ ,  $\{F(a_\sigma^0), a_\sigma^1\}$  are independent over  $F(N_\eta^0 \cup \bigcup_{\tau \in S_\eta} N_\tau^1)$ , then by the parallel of (c),  $F(p_\rho^0)$ ,  $p_{\rho_1}^1$  are orthogonal, so if (b) fails we get a contradiction. Alternatively use 5.10, 5.11.

**PROOF OF 5.8(2).** (2) We prove by induction on  $\alpha$  that  $\text{Dp}_\lambda(\eta, I_0) \geq \alpha$  implies  $\text{Dp}_\lambda(\nu_\eta^*, I_1) \geq \alpha$ . For  $\alpha = 0$ ,  $\alpha$  limit, this is trivial. For  $\alpha = \beta + 1$ ,  $\beta > 0$ , use 5.9. In particular, for parts (d) and (e), and for  $\alpha = 1$ , look at the proof of 5.9.

The following lemma is useful in the proof of 5.1 and interesting by itself. The lemma holds for stable  $T$  without the dop.

5.10. LEMMA. Suppose  $\text{Dp}(N, N', \bar{a}) > 0$ ,  $p \in S^m(B)$  stationary and parallel to  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, N)$  (which is regular). If  $I$  is an independent set of sequences realizing  $p$ ,  $\bar{b}$  realizes  $p$  but  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, B \cup \bigcup I)$  forks over  $B$ , then for some  $\bar{c} \in I$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, B \cup \bar{c})$  forks over  $B$ . (Such  $p$  will be called trivial.)

PROOF. W.l.o.g.  $B = |N|$ ,  $N F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -saturated,  $I$  is finite and let  $I = \{\bar{a}_l : l < n\}$ . Suppose there is no such  $\bar{c}$ , i.e.  $\{\bar{b}, \bar{a}_l\}$  is independent over  $N$  for each  $l$ . Let  $M$  be  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N \cup I \cup \bar{b}$ . As  $I \cup \bar{b}$  is finite by Definition V 3.2, Theorem V 3.6(2), V 3.9(1) there is a finite set  $J \subseteq M$  independent over  $N$ , of sequences realizing regular types, such that  $M$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N \cup J$ .

FACT. There is  $\bar{b}^* \in I \cup \{\bar{b}\}$  such that for no  $\bar{d} \in J$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}^*, N \cup \bar{d})$  forks over  $N$ .

Otherwise there are  $\bar{a}_l^0 \in J$ ,  $\bar{b}^0 \in J$ , such that each of the pairs  $\{\bar{a}_l^0, \bar{a}_l\}$  ( $l < n$ ) and  $\{\bar{b}^0, \bar{b}\}$  is not independent over  $N$ .

So for each  $l$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_l, N \cup \{\bar{a}_l^0 : l < n\})$  forks over  $N$  and  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, N \cup \{\bar{a}_l : l < n\})$  forks over  $N$ , so by V 1.14  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, N \cup \{\bar{a}_l^0 : l < n\})$  forks over  $N$ . By the choice of  $\bar{b}^0$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}^0, N \cup \bar{b})$  forks over  $N$ , hence by V 1.14 again  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}^0, N \cup \{\bar{a}_l^0 : l < n\})$  forks over  $N$ . As  $J$  is independent  $\bar{b}^0 \in \{\bar{a}_l^0 : l < n\}$ , so let  $\bar{b}^0 = \bar{a}_l^0$ . So, by our choice,  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, N \cup \bar{a}_l^0)$  forks over  $N$ , and  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}_l^0, N \cup \bar{a}_l)$  forks over  $N$ , hence by V 1.14  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, N \cup \bar{a}_l)$  forks over  $N$ ; contradiction to the assumption “ $I, \bar{b}$  is a counterexample” to 5.10. So we have proved the fact.

Let  $J = \{\bar{a}_l : l < m_0\}$ . As  $M$  is prime over  $N \cup J$ , there are  $N_l F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N \cup \bar{a}_l$ , such that  $N$  is  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{l < m} N_l$  (see V 3.2). Let  $N^* < M$  be  $F_{\aleph_0}^a$ -prime over  $N \cup \bar{b}^*$ . As  $\bar{b}^*$  realizes  $p$  (as all members of  $I \cup \{\bar{b}\}$  do), by 4.4(6)  $D(N, N^*, \bar{b}^*) > 0$ , hence there is a regular  $q^* \in S^m(N^*)$  orthogonal to  $N$ , and let  $q$  be its stationarization over  $M$ . For each  $l < m_0$ ,  $\{\bar{b}^*, \bar{a}_l\}$  is independent over  $N$  (by the fact), hence by V 3.2  $\text{tp}_*(N_l, N^*)$  does not fork over  $N$ . Hence by 1.1  $q^*$  is orthogonal to  $N_l$ . Hence  $q$  is orthogonal to each  $N_l$ . But as  $T$  has the dimensional order property  $q$  is not orthogonal to some  $N_l$ . This contradiction proves the lemma.

PROOF OF THEOREM 5.1 FOR  $\aleph_\alpha > \lambda(T)$ . As  $T$  is a deep theory, by Lemma 5.7 (and 4.5) there is a representation  $\langle N_\eta^0, a_\eta^0 : \eta \in I^0 \rangle$  such that  $I^0 = {}^{>\aleph_\alpha} q_\eta$  is defined. By adding more elements and models we can get a representation  $\langle N_\eta, \bar{a}_\eta : \eta \in I \rangle$  such that (the only role of  $I - I^0$  is to make the models  $F_{\aleph_\alpha}^a$ -saturated):

(a)  $I^0 \subseteq I$ ,  $|I| = \aleph_\alpha$ , and every element has  $\geq \aleph_\beta$  immediate successors, and if  $\eta \in I^0$  then  $|\{\nu \in I : \eta \preceq \nu, \nu \upharpoonright (l(\eta) + 1) \notin I^0\}| \leq \aleph_\beta + \lambda(T)$ ;

(b) for every  $\eta \in I$ , and regular  $p \in S^m(N_\eta)$ ,  $\{\sigma \in I - I^0 : p_\sigma \text{ is not orthogonal to } p\}$  has cardinality  $\geq \aleph_\beta$ .

Now for each  $\xi < \aleph_\alpha$ , we can find a set  $I_\xi \subseteq I$  such that:

( $\alpha$ )  $\langle \xi \rangle, \langle \eta \rangle \in I_\xi$ ,  $I_\xi \subseteq I$  and is downward closed, and  $\eta \in I_\xi$ ,  $\eta \in I^0$ ,  $\eta \neq \langle \eta \rangle$ , implies  $\langle \xi \rangle \preceq \eta$ ,

( $\beta$ ) for  $\eta \in I - I^0$ ,  $\eta \in I_\xi$  iff  $\langle \xi \rangle \prec \eta$ , and for some  $m$ ,  $\eta \upharpoonright m \in I_\xi \cap I^0$ ,  $\eta \upharpoonright (m + 1) \notin I^0$ ,

( $\gamma$ )  $\text{Dp}_{\aleph_\alpha}(\langle \xi \rangle, I_\xi) = \xi$ ,

( $\delta$ ) if  $\eta \in I_\xi \cap I^0$  then  $\{\nu \in I_\xi \cap I^0 : \nu^- = \eta^-\}$  has power  $\aleph_\alpha$ .

For any  $S \subseteq \aleph_\alpha$  let  $I^S = \bigcup_{\xi \in S} I_\xi$ , and  $M^S$  be the model represented by  $(N_\eta, \bar{a}_\eta : \eta \in I^S)$ .

Suppose  $q_{\langle \cdot \rangle}$  does not fork over  $B \subseteq N_{\langle \cdot \rangle}$ ,  $|B| < \aleph_0$ ,  $q_{\langle \cdot \rangle} \upharpoonright B$  is stationary. By VIII 1.2 w.l.o.g. all members of  $B$  are individual constants. Now it suffices to prove:

if  $S, U \subseteq \aleph_\alpha$ ,  $|S - U| = |U - S| = \aleph_\alpha$

(\*) then  $(M^S, B), (M^U, B)$  are not isomorphic.

This is because we can find  $2^{\aleph_0}$  subsets  $S_i$  of  $\lambda = \aleph_\alpha$  such that for  $i \neq j$ ,  $|S_i - S_j| = |S_j - S_i| = \lambda$ , so by 5.4(6)  $\|M^{S_i}\| = \aleph_\alpha$ , and by (\*), they are not isomorphic.

PROOF OF (\*). Suppose  $F$  is an isomorphism from  $M^S$  onto  $M^U$ . It is easy to find  $S_1 \subseteq I^S$ ,  $U_1 \subseteq I^U$ ,  $|S_1| + |U_1| = \lambda(T) + \aleph_\beta$  such that

(i)  $\langle \cdot \rangle \in U_1$ ,  $S_1$ ,

(ii)  $\text{tp}_*(F(\bigcup_{\eta \in S_1} N_\eta), \bigcup_{\eta \in U_1} N_\eta)$  does not fork over  $\bigcup_{\eta \in U_1} N_\eta$ ,

(iii)  $\text{tp}_*(\bigcup_{\eta \in U_1} N_\eta, F(\bigcup_{\eta \in S_1} N_\eta))$  does not fork over  $F(\bigcup_{\eta \in S_1} N_\eta)$ ,

(iv)  $\eta^- \in S_1$ ,  $\eta \notin I^0$  implies  $\eta \in S_1$ ,

(v)  $\eta^- \in U_1$ ,  $\eta \notin I^0$  implies  $\eta \in U_1$ .

Remember  $q_{\langle \cdot \rangle} = \text{tp}(\bar{a}_{\langle \cdot \rangle}, N_{\langle \cdot \rangle})$  for any  $\langle \xi \rangle \in I^0$ . Now as  $F$  is the identity on  $B$ ,  $q_{\langle \cdot \rangle}$  is parallel to its image by  $F$ ,  $F(q_{\langle \cdot \rangle})$ . Remember  $q_{\langle \cdot \rangle}$  is regular.

Clearly  $\{a_{\langle \xi \rangle} : \xi \in S\}$  is a maximal set  $\subseteq M^S$ , independent over  $N_{\langle \cdot \rangle}$ , of elements realizing  $q_{\langle \cdot \rangle}$ . By the choice of  $S_1$ ,  $U_1$  III 0.1 (see Def. III 4.4)  $\{a_{\langle \xi \rangle} : \xi \in U, \langle \xi \rangle \notin U_1\}$  is an independent set over  $(\bigcup_{\eta \in U_1} N_\eta \cup \bigcup_{\eta \in S_1} F(N_\eta), B)$ . (Remember  $q_{\langle \cdot \rangle}$  does not fork over  $B$ .) All of the  $a_{\langle \xi \rangle}$  realize  $q_{\langle \cdot \rangle} \upharpoonright B$ . Moreover,  $\langle a_{\langle \xi \rangle} : \xi \in U, \langle \xi \rangle \notin U_1 \rangle$  is (in  $M^U$ ) maximal independent over  $(\bigcup_{\xi \in U_1} N_\xi \cup \bigcup_{\xi \in S_1} F(N_\xi), B)$  since  $\langle a_{\langle \xi \rangle} : \xi \in U \rangle$  is maximal independent over  $N_{\langle \cdot \rangle}$ . Similarly

$\{F(a_{\langle \xi \rangle}): \xi \in S, \langle \xi \rangle \notin S_1\}$  is a maximal set independent over  $(\bigcup_{\eta \in U_1} N_\eta \cup \bigcup_{\eta \in S_1} F(N_\eta), B)$  of elements of  $M^U$  realizing  $q_{\langle \cdot \rangle} \upharpoonright B$ . As  $q_{\langle \cdot \rangle}$  is regular, of depth  $> 0$ , by 5.10 there is a one-to-one function  $h$  from  $V_0 = \{\langle \xi \rangle: \xi \in S, \langle \xi \rangle \notin S_1\}$  onto  $V_1 = \{\langle \xi \rangle: \xi \in U, \langle \xi \rangle \notin U_1\}$  such that the set  $\{F(a_{\langle \xi \rangle}), a_{h(\langle \xi \rangle)}\}$  is not independent over  $(\bigcup_{\eta \in U_1} N_\eta \cup \bigcup_{\eta \in S_1} F(N_\eta), B)$ .

As  $|U_1| + |S_1| \leq \aleph_\beta + \lambda(T) < \aleph_\alpha$ , and  $|V - S| = |S - V| = \aleph_\alpha$  for some  $\xi \in S, \langle \xi \rangle \notin S_1, \xi \geq \omega, h(\langle \xi \rangle) \neq \langle \xi \rangle$ , and let  $h(\langle \xi \rangle) = \langle \zeta \rangle$ . By symmetry (as we can use  $F^{-1}$ ),  $\xi > \zeta$ . Now we apply the main lemma 5.8, and get a contradiction by part (2). Since  $\text{Dp}_{\aleph_\alpha}(\langle \zeta \rangle, I^S) = \zeta$  and  $\text{Dp}_{\aleph_\alpha}(\langle \xi \rangle, I^U) = \xi$ ,  $I^S$  and  $I^U$  are constructed so that the conditions in 5.8(1) and 5.8(2) are satisfied.

**PROOF OF THEOREM 5.1 FOR  $\aleph_\alpha = \lambda(T)$ .** Let  $N_n, a_n$  be as in 4.4(3). Now as in 5.7 we can find for  $\eta \in I^0 = {}^{>\omega}\aleph_\alpha$  an elementary mapping  $f_\eta$  such that  $\langle f_\eta(N_{I(\eta)}), f_\eta(\bar{a}_{I(\eta-1)}): \eta \in I_0 \rangle$  is a representation. We can choose countable  $A_n \subseteq N_n$  such that  $a_n \in A_{n+1}$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(A_{n+1}, N_n)$  does not fork over  $A_n$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(A_{n+1}, A_n)$  is stationary and  $\text{tp}_*(A_{n+1}, A_n \cup \{a_{n+1}\}) \vdash \text{tp}(A_{n+1}, N_n \cup \{a_{n+1}\})$ .

We let  $A_\eta = f_\eta(A_{I(\eta)})$ , let  $I^S = \bigcup_{\xi \in S} I_\xi$  ( $S \subseteq \lambda$ ) ( $I_\xi$  is defined as  $I_\xi \cap I^0$  for  $I_\xi$  as in the proof of 5.1 for  $\aleph_\alpha > \lambda(T)$  above) and let  $M^S$  be  $F_{\aleph_\beta}^a$ -prime over  $\bigcup_{\eta \in I^S} A_\eta$ . We have to prove the parallel of (\*). Notice that if some regular type  $q$  over  $M^S$  has dimension  $> \aleph_\beta$ , then it is not orthogonal to some  $\text{tp}(a_\eta, A_\eta)$ .

We leave the details to the reader.

5.11. LEMMA. *Let  $T$  be stable.*

(1) *Suppose  $r_l \in S^{m(l)}(A_l)$  for  $l = 0, 1$ ,  $r_0$  parallel to  $r_1$ ,  $r_0$  is stationary, regular and trivial, then so is  $r_1$ .*

(2) *Suppose  $r \in S^m(A)$  is a (stationary) regular trivial type and  $\{\bar{a}, \bar{b}\}$  is independent over  $A$ . Then for any  $\bar{c}$  realizing  $r$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, A \cup \bar{a} \cup \bar{b})$  forks over  $A$  iff  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, A \cup \bar{a})$  forks over  $A$  or  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, A \cup \bar{b})$  forks over  $A$ .*

(3) *Suppose  $r \in S^n(A)$  is stationary regular and trivial. For any  $\bar{a}$  there are  $\bar{d}_0, \dots, \bar{d}_{n-1} \in r(\mathcal{C})$  such that  $\{\bar{d}_0, \dots, \bar{d}_{n-1}\}$  is independent over  $A$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{d}_l, A \cup \bar{a})$  forks over  $A$  for  $l < n$ , and  $n = w_r(\bar{a}, A)$ . So for any  $\bar{d} \in r(\mathcal{C})$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{d}, A \cup \bar{a})$  forks over  $A$  iff  $\text{tp}(\bar{d}, A \cup \bar{d}_l)$  forks over  $A$  for some  $l < n$ .*

(4) *Suppose  $r_0, r_1$  are stationary regular and not orthogonal. Then  $r_0$  is trivial iff  $r_1$  is trivial.*

(5) *Suppose  $A \subseteq B$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, B)$  does not fork over  $A$ ,  $r \in S^m(B)$  is stationary regular and trivial, not orthogonal to  $\text{stp}(\bar{a}, A)$ . Then for some  $e \in \text{acl}(A \cup \bar{a})$ ,  $e \notin \text{acl} A$ ,  $\text{stp}(e, A)$  is  $r$ -simple of weight 1. In fact there are  $e_0, \dots, e_{n-1}$  as above, independent over  $A$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{a}, A \cup \{e_l: l < n\})$  orthogonal to  $r$ . If  $\text{stp}(\bar{a}, A)$  is semi-regular,  $\text{stp}(e, A)$  is regular.*

(6) If for  $l = 0, 1$ ,  $p_l = \text{stp}(\bar{a}_l, A)$  is not orthogonal to  $r$ ,  $r$  a stationary regular trivial type, then  $p_0, p_1$  are not weakly orthogonal; in fact  $p_1$  has an extension over  $A \cup \bar{a}_0$  which forks over  $A$ .

PROOF. (1) By the definition of parallel,  $r_1$  is stationary and by V 1.8(1),  $r_1$  is regular. Let  $A_0 \cup A_1 \subseteq M$ ,  $M$   $F_\kappa^\alpha$ -saturated,  $\lambda > (A_0 \cup A_1)$  and  $r_2$  be the stationarization of  $r_0$  (and  $r_1$ ) over  $M$ . Clearly  $r_2$  is regular and stationary.

Suppose  $r_1$  is not trivial, then there are  $\bar{b}, \bar{a}_0, \dots, \bar{a}_{n-1}$  realizing  $r_1$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, A_1 \cup \bar{a}_0 \cup \dots \cup \bar{a}_{n-1})$  forks over  $A_1$ , but  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, A_1 \cup \bar{a}_m)$  does not fork over  $A_1$  for  $m < n$ . W.l.o.g.  $\text{tp}(\bar{b} \hat{\ } \bar{a}_0 \hat{\ } \dots \hat{\ } \bar{a}_{n-1}, M)$  does not fork over  $A_1$ , and then clearly  $\bar{b}, \bar{a}_0, \dots, \bar{a}_{n-1}$  exemplify  $r_2$  is not trivial (use III 0.1). So  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, M \cup \bar{a}_0 \cup \dots \cup \bar{a}_{n-1})$  forks over  $M$ , hence over  $A_0$ , and  $\bar{b}, \bar{a}_0, \dots, \bar{a}_{n-1}$  realizes  $r_2$  and  $r_0 \subseteq r_2$ . So by 1.11, clearly  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, A_0 \cup I)$  forks over  $A_0$  where  $I = r_0(M) \cup \{\bar{a}_0, \dots, \bar{a}_{n-1}\}$ . Obviously for every  $\bar{c} \in M$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{b}, A_0 \cup \bar{c})$  does not fork over  $A_0$ .

So  $\bar{b}, I$  exemplify  $r_0$  is not trivial (except that  $I$  is not independent, but this can be discarded by  $r_0$ 's regularity); contradiction, hence  $r_1$  is trivial as required.

(2) The implication  $\Leftarrow$  is trivial. So suppose  $\bar{c}$  is a counterexample to the other direction. Let  $M$  be an  $F_\kappa^\alpha$ -saturated model,  $A \subseteq M$ ,  $\text{tp}_*(M, A \cup \bar{a} \cup \bar{b} \cup \bar{c})$  does not fork over  $A$ . By some application of III 0.1 clearly  $\{\bar{a}, \bar{b}\}$  is independent over  $M$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, M \cup \bar{a})$  and  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, M \cup \bar{b})$  do not fork over  $M$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, M \cup \bar{a} \cup \bar{b})$  forks over  $M$ , and  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, M)$  is a stationarization of  $r$ , hence by (1) is a stationary regular trivial type. So w.l.o.g.  $M = B$ .

Let  $\{\bar{d}_m : m < n^0\}$  be a maximal set of sequences realizing  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, M)$  independent over  $M$  such that  $\text{tp}(\bar{d}_m, M \cup \bar{a})$  forks over  $M$ , and similarly let  $\{\bar{e}_m : m < n^1\}$  be a maximal set of sequences realizing  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, M)$ , independent over  $M$ , such that  $\text{tp}(\bar{e}_m, M \cup \bar{b})$  forks over  $M$ . By V 3.9(1)  $n^0 = w_r(\bar{a}, M)$ ,  $n^1 = w_r(\bar{b}, M)$  and w.l.o.g.  $\text{tp}(\bar{d}_0 \hat{\ } \dots \hat{\ } \bar{d}_{n^0-1}, M \cup \bar{a})$  and  $\text{tp}(\bar{e}_0 \hat{\ } \dots \hat{\ } \bar{e}_{n^1-1}, M \cup \bar{b})$  are  $F_\kappa^\alpha$ -isolated. So clearly  $\{\bar{d}_0, \dots, \bar{d}_{n^0-1}, \bar{e}_0, \dots, \bar{e}_{n^1-1}\}$  is independent over  $M$  and  $\text{tp}(\bar{d}_0 \hat{\ } \dots \hat{\ } \bar{d}_{n^0-1} \hat{\ } \bar{e}_0 \hat{\ } \dots \hat{\ } \bar{e}_{n^1-1}, M \cup \bar{a} \cup \bar{b})$  is  $F_\kappa^\alpha$ -isolated.

So let  $N$  be  $F_\kappa^\alpha$ -prime over  $M \cup \bar{a} \cup \bar{b}$ ,  $\{\bar{d}_0, \dots, \bar{d}_{n^0-1}, \bar{e}_0, \dots, \bar{e}_{n^1-1}\} \subseteq N$ . By V 3.11(1)  $w_r(\bar{a} \hat{\ } \bar{b}, M) = w_r(\bar{a}, M) + w_r(\bar{b}, M)$ , and  $\{\bar{d}_0, \dots, \bar{d}_{n^0-1}, \bar{e}_0, \dots, \bar{e}_{n^1-1}\}$  is a maximal subset of  $r(N)$  independent over  $M$ .

Now what about  $\bar{c}$ ?  $\bar{c}$  realizes  $r \in S^m(M)$ ,  $\bar{c}$  depends on  $\bar{a} \hat{\ } \bar{b}$  (i.e.,  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, M \cup \bar{a} \cup \bar{b})$  forks over  $M$ ), hence by V 1.16(1)  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, M \cup r(N))$  forks over  $M$ , hence  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, M \cup \{\bar{d}_0 \cup \dots \cup \bar{d}_{n^0-1} \cup \bar{e}_0 \cup \dots \cup \bar{e}_{n^1-1}\})$  forks over  $M$ . By the definition of triviality,  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, M \cup \bar{d}_l)$  forks over  $M$  or  $\text{tp}(\bar{c}, M \cup \bar{e}_l)$  forks over  $M$  for some  $l$ . By symmetry, suppose the former. Clearly by V 3.1  $\{\bar{a}, \bar{c}\}$  is not independent over  $M$ , a contradiction.

(3) Let  $A \subseteq M$ ,  $M$   $F_\kappa^\alpha$ -saturated,  $\text{tp}_*(M, A \cup \bar{a})$  does not fork over  $A$ . By V

3.9 there are  $n, \bar{d}_0, \dots, \bar{d}_{n-1}$  such that:  $\bar{d}_l$  realizes the stationarization of  $r$  over  $M$ ,  $n = w_r(\bar{a}, M) = w_r(\bar{a}, A)$ ,  $\{\bar{d}_0, \dots, \bar{d}_{n-1}\}$  is independent over  $(M, A)$  and each  $\bar{d}_l$  realizes  $r$ , and  $q_l = \text{tp}(\bar{d}_l, M \cup \bar{a})$  forks over  $M$ , hence  $q_l$  forks over  $A$ , hence for some  $\bar{b}_l$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{d}_l, A \cup \bar{a} \cup \bar{b}_l)$  forks over  $A$ ,  $\bar{b}_l \in M$ .

The only property missing is  $\text{tp}(\bar{d}_l, A \cup \bar{a})$  forks over  $M$ . If this fails we get a contradiction to part (2) (with  $A, \bar{a}, \bar{b}_l, \bar{d}_l$  here standing for  $\bar{A}, \bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}$  there).

(4) Left to the reader.

(5) Let  $\{d_0, \dots, \bar{d}_{n-1}\}$  be as in part (3) of the lemma (replacing  $A$  by  $B$ ),

$$I_l = \{\bar{d} \in r(\mathcal{U}) : \text{tp}(\bar{d}, B \cup \bar{d}_l) \text{ forks over } B\},$$

and  $\varphi_l, \bar{b}_l$  be such that  $\bar{b}_l \in B, \models \varphi_l[\bar{d}_l, \bar{a}, \bar{b}_l]$  and  $\varphi_l(\bar{x}, \bar{a}, \bar{b}_l)$  fork over  $B$ . By II 2.2(8) there are  $\bar{c}_l \in A \cup \bigcup I_l$ , and  $\psi_l$  such that for every  $\bar{d} \in I_l$ ,  $\varphi[\bar{d}, \bar{a}, \bar{b}_l]$  iff  $\psi_l[\bar{d}, \bar{c}_l, \bar{b}_l]$ , and w.l.o.g. (by increasing  $\bar{b}_l, \bar{c}_l$ )  $\bar{c}_l$  is a concatenation of sequences from  $I_l$ . Let  $e_l \in \mathcal{U}^{\text{eq}}$  be defined by  $\bar{c}_l/E_l, E_l(\bar{y}, \bar{z}) \Rightarrow (\forall \bar{x})[\psi_l(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{b}_l) = \psi_l(\bar{x}, \bar{z}, \bar{b}_l)]$ .

By the last phrase in part (3), for every automorphism  $F$  of  $\mathcal{U}$  which is the identity over  $B \cup \bar{a}$ ,  $F$  maps  $I_l$  into some  $I_m$ . Hence  $e_l$  can have at most  $n$  possible images (varying  $F$ ). Hence  $e_l$  is algebraic over  $B \cup \bar{a}$ .

Let, for  $i < |T|^+$ ,  $f_i$  be an elementary mapping with domain  $C = B \cup \bar{a} \cup \bigcup_i (\bar{d}_i \cup \{e_i\} \cup \bar{c}_i)$ ,  $f_i|_A = \text{the identity}$ ,  $\text{stp}_*(f_i(C), \bigcup_{j \neq i} f_j(C))$  does not fork over  $A \cup \bar{a}$ , and extend  $\text{stp}_*(C, A \cup \bar{a})$ , and  $f_0$  is the identity.

By V 1.11,  $\text{tp}(f_i(\bar{d}_m), B \cup f_i(B) \cup \bigcup_l d_l)$  forks over  $A$ , hence by part (2) for some  $l$   $\text{tp}(f_i(\bar{d}_m), B \cup f_i(B) \cup \bar{d}_l)$ , and by V 3.1 this  $l$  is unique, so by the indiscernibility, necessarily  $l = m$ .

As  $r$  is regular, for  $l > 0$ ,  $\text{tp}(\bar{d}_l, B \cup \bigcup_{m \neq l} I_m)$  does not fork over  $B$ , and easily  $\text{tp}(\bar{d}_l, B \cup \bigcup_{m \neq l} (\bar{d}_m \wedge \bar{c}_m \wedge \langle e_m \rangle))$  does not fork over  $B$ , hence  $\text{tp}(\bar{d}_l, B \cup \bigcup_{m \neq l} (\bar{d}_m \wedge \bar{c}_m \wedge \langle e_m \rangle) \cup \bigcup_{i > 0} f_i(B \cup \bar{d}_0 \wedge \bar{c}_0 \wedge \langle e_0 \rangle))$  does not fork over  $B$ . Hence we can find an elementary mapping  $g$ ,

$$\text{Dom}(g) = \bar{a} \cup \bigcup_i f_i \left( B \cup \bigcup_m \bar{d}_m \wedge \bar{c}_m \wedge \langle e_m \rangle \right), g|_A \cup f_i(B \cup \bar{d}_0 \wedge \bar{c}_0 \wedge \langle e_0 \rangle)$$

is the identity and  $\text{stp}_*(\text{Rang}(g), \bigcup_i f_i(B \cup \bar{d}_0 \wedge \bar{c}_0 \wedge \langle e_0 \rangle))$  extends  $\text{stp}_*(\text{Dom}(g), \bigcup_i f_i(B \cup \bar{d}_0 \wedge \bar{c}_0 \wedge \langle e_0 \rangle))$  and does not fork over  $\bigcup_i f_i(B \cup \bar{d}_0 \wedge \bar{c}_0 \wedge \langle e_0 \rangle)$  and  $\{d_m : m < n\} \cup \{g(d_m) : 0 < m < n\}$  is independent over  $B$ .

As we noted above  $e_0$  is algebraic over  $B \cup \bar{a}$ , hence  $e_0 = g(e_0)$  is algebraic over  $g(B \cup \bar{a}) = B \cup g(\bar{a})$ .

Checking closed, we see that for any automorphism  $F$  of  $\mathcal{U}^{\text{eq}}$  which is the identity over  $B \cup \bar{a} \cup g(\bar{a})$ ,  $F(e_0) = e_0$ . So  $e_0$  is definable over  $B \cup \bar{a} \cup g(\bar{a})$ , say by  $\psi(x, \bar{a}, g(\bar{a}), \bar{b}^*)$  ( $\bar{b}^* \in B$ ). Let

$$E(\bar{y}_0 \wedge \bar{z}_0, \bar{y}_1 \wedge \bar{z}_1) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{“}(\forall x)[\psi(x, \bar{y}_0, \bar{z}_0, f_i(\bar{b}^*)) \equiv \psi(x, \bar{y}_1, \bar{z}_1, f_i(\bar{b}^*))]\text{”}$$

holds for infinitely many  $i$ 's”.

By III 2.5, 1.7,  $E$  is a formula which is almost over  $A$ , and let  $e^* = \bar{a} \wedge g(\bar{a})/E$ .

Now exactly as in the proof of V 4.11,  $e^* \notin A$ ,  $\text{tp}(e^*, A)$  is  $r$ -semi-simple not orthogonal to  $r$ , and  $e^* \in \text{acl}(\bigcup f_i(B \cup \{e_0\}))$ , but here any two of  $\{f_i(e_0): i\}$  depend on  $\bigcup_i f_i(B)$ , hence  $w_r(e^*, A) = 1$ .

The only point left is “ $e^* \in \text{acl}(A \cup \bar{a})$ ”, but for any  $i$  we know that ( $k$  large enough)  $e^* \in \text{acl}(\bigcup_{j=i+k}^i f_j(B \cup \{e\})) \subseteq \text{acl}(A \cup \bar{a} \cup \bigcup_{j=i+k}^i f_j(B))$  (because  $e_0 \in \text{acl}(B \cup \bar{a})$ ; see above). As this is true for every  $j$  and  $\{f_j(B): j\}$  is independent over  $A \cup \bar{a}$ , clearly  $e^* \in \text{acl}(A \cup \bar{a})$ . The rest is obvious.

(6) Repeat the proof of (5).

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