

NON-COHEN ORACLE C.C.C.

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Abstract. The oracle c.c.c. is closely related to Cohen forcing. During an iteration we can “omit a type”; i.e. preserve “the intersection of a given family of Borel sets of reals is empty” provided that Cohen forcing satisfies it. We generalize this to other cases. In Section 1 we replace Cohen by “nicely” definable c.c.c., do the parallel of the oracle c.c.c. and end with a criterion for extracting a subforcing (not a complete subforcing, \ll !) of a given nicely one and satisfying the oracle.

0. Introduction

This answers a question from [2, Chapter IV] (the chapter dealing with the oracle c.c.c.) asking to replace Cohen by e.g. random. Later we will deal with the parallel for oracle proper and for the case $\bar{\varphi}_\alpha$ is a (definition of a) nep forcing. An application will appear in a work with T. Bartoszynski.

How do we use this framework? We start with a universe satisfying \diamond_{\aleph_1} and probably $2^{\aleph_1} = \aleph_2$ and choose $\langle S_i^* : i < \omega_2 \rangle$, $S_i^* \subseteq S^* \subseteq \omega_1$ such that $S_i^*/\mathcal{D}_{\omega_1}$ is strictly increasing and for every $i < \omega_2$, $\diamond_{S_{i+1}^* \setminus S_i^*}$ holds and for simplicity $S_i^* \subseteq S_{i+1}^*$ where \mathcal{D}_{ω_1} is the club filter on ω_1 . We choose by

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induction on $i < \omega_2$, a c.c.c. forcing \mathbb{P}_i of cardinality \aleph_1 , a sequence $\bar{M}^i = \langle M_\alpha^i : \alpha \in S_i^* \rangle$ of countable models $\subseteq (\mathcal{H}(\aleph_1), \in)$ of some version of ZFC, without loss of generality transitive and a 1-commitment mainly connected to a \mathbb{P}_i -name ν_α^i which is, e.g. random over M_α^i (and the commitment is that if, $j > i$, $\mathbb{P}'_j \cong \mathbb{P}_j/\mathbb{P}_i$ is represented such that it has set of elements $\subseteq \omega_1$, $G \subseteq \mathbb{P}'_j$ is generic over $\mathbf{V}^{\mathbb{P}_i}$, then for a club of $\alpha \in S_i$, $\nu_\alpha^i \in \mathbf{V}^{\mathbb{P}_i}$ is random also over $M_\alpha^i[G]$ which naturally is $M_\alpha^i[G \cap \alpha]$). They are increasing in the relevant sense and the work at limit stages is done by the general claims here. In stage i , by bookkeeping we are given a task connected with a \mathbb{P}_i -name X_i we have some freedom in choosing \mathbb{P}_{i+1} , usually $\mathbb{P}_{i+1} = \mathbb{P}_i * \mathbb{Q}_i$. So, working in $\mathbf{V}^{\mathbb{P}_i}$, \mathbb{Q}_i has to satisfy a 0-commitment on S_i^* , and we like it to satisfy that task, usually connected with $X_i \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{V[\mathbb{P}_i]}$, say $X_i = X_i[G_{\mathbb{P}_i}]$. We essentially have to choose \bar{M}^{i+1} such that $\bar{M}^{i+1} \upharpoonright S_i^* = \bar{M}^i$ but we have freedom (in addition to choosing \mathbb{Q}_i) to choose $\langle \bar{M}_\alpha^{i+1} : \alpha \in S_{i+1}^* \setminus S_i^* \rangle$ and a 0-commitment on $S_{i+1}^* \setminus S_i^*$. Also the reals generic for the chosen forcing notion (for $\alpha \in S_i^*$!) as well as M_α^{i+1} for $\alpha \in S_{i+1}^* \setminus S_i^*$ can be chosen considering X_i . E.g. M_α^{i+1} can be the Mostowski Collapse of some $M \prec (\mathcal{H}(\aleph_2), \in)$ to which \mathbb{P}_i, \bar{M}^i and X_i belong.

Really this corresponds to the omitting type as in [1, XI]. This was originally part of [4], particularly close to faking.

1. Non-Cohen oracle c.c.c.

Hypothesis 1.1.

- (a) We assume CH, moreover \diamond_{S^*} where $S^* \subseteq \{\delta < \omega_1 : \delta \text{ limit}\}$ is stationary.

Definition/Notation 1.2. 1) \bar{M} denotes an oracle, i.e., a sequence of the form $\langle M_\delta : \delta \in S \rangle$, M_δ a transitive countable model of ZFC_*^- satisfying $\delta \subseteq M_\delta$ and $S \subseteq S^*$ is stationary satisfying: for every $X \subseteq \omega_1$, the set $\{\delta \in S^* : X \cap \delta \in M_\delta\}$ is stationary.

2) \mathcal{D} denotes a normal filter on ω_1 usually extending $\mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}$ which is defined in 1.3(1) below (of course, the default value is $\mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}$, see 1.4(1)).

3) For a countable forcing \mathbb{P} , a wide \mathbb{P} -name is a Borel function giving for every directed $G \subseteq \mathbb{P}$ an object (so if $\mathbb{P} \leq_{\text{ic}} \mathbb{P}'$ then any wide \mathbb{P} -name is still a wide \mathbb{P}' -name hence a \mathbb{P}' -name).

We first give the old definitions from [3, IV]

Definition 1.3. 1) $\mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}$ is

$$\{X \subseteq \omega_1 : \text{for some } Y \subseteq \omega_1 \text{ we have: } \delta \in S_{\bar{M}} \cap X \Rightarrow Y \cap \delta \in M_\delta\}.$$

2) A forcing notion \mathbb{P} of cardinality $\leq \aleph_1$ satisfies the (\bar{M}, \mathcal{D}) -c.c. if for some (equivalently any) one to one $f: \mathbb{P} \rightarrow \omega_1$ the set:

$$\{\delta \in S_{\bar{M}} : \text{if } X \in M_\delta \text{ and } \{y \in \mathbb{P} : f(y) < \delta \text{ and } f(y) \in X\} \\ \text{is predense in } \mathbb{P} \upharpoonright \{y \in \mathbb{P} : f(y) < \delta\} \text{ then } X \text{ is predense in } \mathbb{P}\}$$

belongs to \mathcal{D} and \mathbb{P} has minimal element $\emptyset_{\mathbb{P}}$.

3) If $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}$ we may write " \bar{M} -c.c.". Recall that $\mathcal{D}^+ = \{A \subseteq \omega_1 : \omega_1 \setminus A \notin \mathcal{D}\}$.

4) Let $\bar{M}^1 \leq \bar{M}^2$ if $\bar{M}^\ell = \langle M_\delta^\ell : \delta \in S_\ell \rangle$ and $\{\delta : \delta \in S_1 \setminus S_2 \text{ or } \delta \in S_1 \cap S_2 \text{ and } M_\delta^1 \neq M_\delta^2\}$ is not stationary; let $\bar{M}^1 \leq_{\mathcal{D}} \bar{M}^2$ be defined similarly (i.e. the set is $= \emptyset \text{ mod } \mathcal{D}$).

5) A forcing notion \mathbb{P} satisfies the (\bar{M}, \mathcal{D}) -c.c. if: $|\mathbb{P}| \leq \aleph_0$ or for every $X \subseteq \mathbb{P}$ of cardinality $\leq \aleph_1$ there is $\mathbb{P}_1 \triangleleft \mathbb{P}$ of cardinality \aleph_1 which includes X and satisfies the (\bar{M}, \mathcal{D}) -c.c.

Fact 1.4. 1) $\mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}$ is a normal filter on ω_1 .

2) The \bar{M} -c.c. implies the c.c.c., and if $\mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}} \subseteq \mathcal{D}$ (or just there is a normal filter $\mathcal{D}' \supseteq \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}} \cup \mathcal{D}$) then the (\bar{M}, \mathcal{D}) -c.c.c. implies the c.c.c. and if $\mathcal{D}_2 \supseteq \mathcal{D}_1 \supseteq \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}$ are normal filters, then the (\bar{M}, \mathcal{D}_1) -c.c. implies the (\bar{M}, \mathcal{D}_2) -c.c.

3) We can find $\langle S_\zeta^* : \zeta < \omega_2 \rangle$ such that $S_\zeta^* \subseteq S^*, \zeta < \xi \Rightarrow S_\zeta^* \subseteq S_\xi^* \text{ mod } \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}, S_\zeta^* \subseteq S_{\zeta+1}^*$ and $S_{\zeta+1}^* \setminus S_\zeta^* \in \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}^+$, moreover $S_{\zeta+1}^* \setminus S_\zeta^*$ is countable.

4) If $\bar{M}^1 \leq \bar{M}^2$ and the forcing notion \mathbb{P}_2 satisfies the (\bar{M}^2, \mathcal{D}) -c.c. and $\mathbb{P}_1 \triangleleft \mathbb{P}_2$, then \mathbb{P}_1 satisfies the (\bar{M}^1, \mathcal{D}) -c.c.

Proof. See [3, IV], but for the reader's convenience we prove part (4). Without loss of generality \mathbb{P}_2 has cardinality \aleph_1 and even set of elements ω_1 . As $\mathbb{P}_1 \triangleleft \mathbb{P}_2$ there is a function $f: \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_1$ such that

$$(*)_1 \quad q \in \mathbb{P}_2 \wedge f(q) \leq_{\mathbb{P}_1} p \in \mathbb{P}_1 \Rightarrow p, q \text{ are compatible in } \mathbb{P}_2.$$

Let $g: \mathbb{P}_2 \times \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2$ be such that

$$(*)_2 \quad \text{if } p, q \in \mathbb{P}_2 \text{ are compatible then } g(p, q) \text{ is a common upper bound and } p, q \in \mathbb{P}_1 \Rightarrow g(p, q) \in \mathbb{P}_1.$$

So there is a club E of ω_1 which is closed under f, g so

$$(*)_3 \quad \text{if } \delta \in E \cap S, \mathcal{I} \subseteq \mathbb{P}_1 \cap \delta \text{ is predense in } \mathbb{P}_1 \upharpoonright \delta \text{ then } \mathcal{I} \text{ is predense in } \mathbb{P}_2 \upharpoonright \delta.$$

[Why? If $q \in \mathbb{P}_2 \cap \delta$ then $f(q) \in \mathbb{P}_1 \cap \delta$ so by the assumption on \mathcal{I} , $f(q)$ is compatible with some $r_1 \in \mathcal{I} \in \mathbb{P}_1 \cap \delta$, so there is $r_2 \in \mathbb{P}_1 \upharpoonright \delta$ above q and r_1 . By the definition of f the conditions r_2, q are compatible in \mathbb{P}_2 hence $g(r_2, q)$ is a common upper bound of them in $\mathbb{P}_2 \upharpoonright \delta$.] $\square_{1.4}$

Remark 1.5. 1) Note that below when $\mathbb{P}^{\bar{\varphi}_\alpha}$ is the older case ([3, IV]) we just preserve every predense set, so in M_α (in the based obeyed) the forcing is countable.

2) We may forget to mention this case as it is by now easy.

Definition 1.6. 1) We say $\mathcal{Y} = (S, \Phi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{\nu}) = (S^\mathcal{Y}, \Phi^\mathcal{Y}, \bar{\eta}^\mathcal{Y}, \bar{\nu}^\mathcal{Y})$ is a 0-commitment for \bar{M} if for some $E \in \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}$:

- (a) $S \subseteq S^*$, $S \in \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}^+$
- (b) $\bar{\eta} = \langle \eta_\alpha : \alpha \in S \rangle$, $\Phi = \langle \bar{\varphi}_\alpha : \alpha \in S \rangle$ and if $\alpha \in S \cap E$ then $\bar{\varphi}_\alpha \in M_\alpha$ and $M_\alpha \models$ “ $\bar{\varphi}_\alpha$ is an absolute definition of a c.c.c. forcing notion called $\mathbb{Q}_\alpha = \mathbb{Q}^{\bar{\varphi}_\alpha}$ with generic real η_α ”; note, absolute here means that forcing extensions of M_α , preserve predensity of countable sets (in the sense of M_α) order and incompatibility
- (c) $\bar{\nu} = \langle \nu_\alpha : \alpha \in S \rangle$ where $\nu_\alpha \in {}^\omega\omega$ and for every $\alpha \in S \cap E$ the real ν_α is $(\mathbb{Q}_\alpha, \eta_\alpha)$ -generic over M_α .

We ignore \bar{M} if clear from the context. We can replace \bar{M} by (\bar{M}, \mathcal{D}) if above $E \in \mathcal{D}$, $S \in \mathcal{D}^+$.

1A) A forcing notion \mathbb{P} of cardinality $\leq \aleph_1$ satisfies the 0-commitment $\mathcal{Y} = (S^\mathcal{Y}, \Phi^\mathcal{Y}, \bar{\eta}^\mathcal{Y}, \bar{\nu}^\mathcal{Y})$ for an \aleph_1 -oracle \bar{M} (we may suppress) if: \mathbb{P} is a forcing notion and for any one-to-one mapping $h: \mathbb{P} \rightarrow \omega_1$ for some $E \in \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}$ we have

- (d) if $\alpha \in S \cap E$ then $\Vdash_{\mathbb{P}}$ “the real ν_α is a $(\mathbb{Q}_\alpha, \eta_\alpha)$ -generic real over $M_\alpha[\alpha \cap h''G_{\mathbb{P}}]$ ”
- (e) [the old case]: if $\alpha \in S \cap E$ even when \mathbb{Q}_α is a singleton (hence $\nu_\alpha \in M_\alpha$, a degenerated case), then every predense subset \mathcal{I} of $\{p \in \mathbb{P} : h(p) < \alpha\}$ for which $\{h(p) : p \in \mathcal{I}\} \in M_\alpha$ is a predense subset of \mathbb{P} .

2) Let $\mathbb{P} \in \mathcal{H}(\aleph_2)$ be an \bar{M} -c.c. forcing notion. We say that $\mathcal{Y} = (S, \bar{\Phi}, \bar{\eta}, \bar{\nu}) = (S^\mathcal{Y}, \Phi^\mathcal{Y}, \bar{\eta}^\mathcal{Y}, \bar{\nu}^\mathcal{Y})$ is a 1-commitment on \mathbb{P} for \bar{M} if: for any \bar{N} satisfying $(*)_1$ below, the clauses (a)–(d) of $(*)_2$ below hold

$(*)_1$ $\bar{N} = \langle N_\alpha : \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$ is increasing continuous, $N_\alpha \prec (\mathcal{H}(\aleph_2), \in)$ is countable, $\bar{N} \upharpoonright (\alpha + 1) \in N_{\alpha+1}$ and $\{\bar{M}, \mathbb{P}\} \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha < \omega_1} N_\alpha$

$(*)_2$ (a) $S \subseteq \text{Dom}(\bar{M}) \subseteq S^*$, $S \in \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}^+$

- (b) $\bar{\eta} = \langle \eta_\alpha : \alpha \in S \rangle$, $\Phi = \langle \bar{\varphi}_\alpha : \alpha \in S \rangle$ so $(\bar{\varphi}_\alpha, \eta_\alpha)$ is a \mathbb{P} -name of a pair as in 1.6(1)(a), both are hereditarily countable over \mathbb{P}
- (c) $\bar{\nu} = \langle \nu_\alpha : \alpha \in S \rangle$ and ν_α a \mathbb{P} -name of a real given by countably many conditions
- (d) the set of the $\alpha \in S$ satisfying the following belongs to $(\mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}} + S)^+$: $\bar{\varphi}_\alpha \in M_\alpha$, $\text{Mos Col}_{N_\alpha}(N_\alpha) \in M_\alpha$, and letting

$$\mathbb{P}'_\alpha = \text{Mos Col}_{N_\alpha}(\mathbb{P}^{N_\alpha}) \in M_\alpha$$

we have $M_\alpha \models$ “ $\bar{\varphi}_\alpha$ is a wide \mathbb{P}'_α -name of an absolute definition of a c.c.c. forcing with generic real η_α ” and $\Vdash_{\mathbb{P}}$ “the real ν_α is a $(\mathbb{Q}_{\bar{\varphi}^\alpha}, \eta_\alpha)$ -generic real over $M_\alpha[G_{\mathbb{P}}]$ ”.

For simplicity the reader may concentrate on the case $\langle (\bar{\varphi}_\alpha, \eta_\alpha) : \alpha \in S \rangle \in \mathbf{V}$.

3) Let

$$IS = \{(\mathbb{P}, \mathcal{Y}, \bar{M}) : \mathbb{P} \in \mathcal{H}(\aleph_2) \text{ is an } \bar{M}\text{-c.c. forcing notion and } \mathcal{Y} \text{ is a 1-commitment on } \mathbb{P}\}.$$

We shall omit \bar{M} if clear from the context. We can replace \bar{M} by (\bar{M}, \mathcal{D}) -naturally and write $IS_{\mathcal{D}}$, but the claims are the same.

4) For $(\mathbb{P}^\ell, \mathcal{Y}^\ell, \bar{M}^\ell) \in IS$ ($\ell = 1, 2$) let $(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathcal{Y}^1, \bar{M}^1) \leq^* (\mathbb{P}^2, \mathcal{Y}^2, \bar{M}^2)$ means $\bar{M}^1 \leq \bar{M}^2$, $\mathbb{P}^1 \leq \mathbb{P}^2$ and for some $E \in \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}^1}$ we have

$$S^{\mathcal{Y}^1} \cap E \subseteq S^{\mathcal{Y}^2} \cap E, \quad \Phi^{\mathcal{Y}^1} \upharpoonright (S^{\mathcal{Y}^1} \cap E) = \Phi^{\mathcal{Y}^2} \upharpoonright (S^{\mathcal{Y}^2} \cap E),$$

$$\bar{\eta}^{\mathcal{Y}^1} \upharpoonright (S^{\mathcal{Y}^1} \cap E) = \bar{\eta}^{\mathcal{Y}^2} \upharpoonright (S^{\mathcal{Y}^2} \cap E) \text{ and } \bar{\nu}^{\mathcal{Y}^1} \upharpoonright (S^{\mathcal{Y}^1} \cap E) = \bar{\nu}^{\mathcal{Y}^2} \upharpoonright (S^{\mathcal{Y}^2} \cap E).$$

We call E a witness to $(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathcal{Y}^1, \bar{M}^1) \leq^* (\mathbb{P}^2, \mathcal{Y}^2, \bar{M}^2)$.

We point out the connection between 0-commitment and 1-commitment.

Fact 1.7. 1) If \mathcal{Y} is a 1-commitment on \mathbb{P} and \mathbb{P} an \bar{M} -c.c. forcing notion of cardinality $\leq \aleph_1$, then $\Vdash_{\mathbb{P}}$ “ $\mathcal{Y}[G_{\mathbb{P}}] = (S^{\mathcal{Y}}, \Phi^{\mathcal{Y}}[G_{\mathbb{P}}], \bar{\eta}^{\mathcal{Y}}[G_{\mathbb{P}}], \bar{\nu}[G_{\mathbb{P}}])$ is a 0-commitment” so we call it $\mathcal{Y}[G_{\mathbb{P}}]$. Note $\eta_\delta[G_{\mathbb{P}}]$ is still a name.

2) If $\mathbb{P} = \{\emptyset\}$ (the trivial forcing) then: \mathcal{Y} is a 1-commitment on \mathbb{P} iff \mathcal{Y} is a 0-commitment.

3) If $\langle \bar{M}^i : i < \zeta \rangle$ is \leq -increasing, $\zeta < \omega_2$ and $\text{Dom}(\bar{M}^i) \setminus S$ is not stationary for $i < \zeta$, then there is \bar{M} , $\text{Dom}(\bar{M}) = S$ such that $i < \zeta \Rightarrow \bar{M}^i \leq \bar{M}$.

4) Increasing \bar{M} preserves everything.

5) If a forcing notion \mathbb{P} satisfies the 0-commitment \mathcal{Y} for the \aleph_1 -oracle \bar{M} and $S' = \{\delta \in S^{\mathcal{Y}} : \mathbb{Q}_\delta^{\bar{\varphi}_\alpha[\mathcal{Y}]}$ is a singleton (i.e., δ of the old case for $\mathcal{Y})\}$ and $S' \neq \emptyset \text{ mod } D_{\bar{M}}$ then

(a) \mathbb{P} satisfies the \bar{M} -c.c.

- (b) if $S'' \subseteq S'$ and $S'' \neq \emptyset \pmod{D_{\bar{M}}}$ and $M_\delta \models "X_\delta \subseteq {}^\omega 2 \text{ is not meagre}"$
for every $\delta \in S''$ then $\bigcup_{\delta \in S''} X_\delta$ is not meagre in $\mathbf{V}[\mathbb{P}]$.

As a warm-up (see [4] for more)

Claim 1.8. 1) Assume

- (a) M is a countable transitive model of ZFC^- , $M \models "P_1 \text{ is a countable forcing notion}"$
 (b) $M \models "\varphi \text{ is an absolute definition of c.c.c. forcing notion } \mathbb{Q}^\varphi \text{ with generic } \eta: \alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2"$ and $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 < \omega_1$
 (c) ν is (M, \mathbb{Q}^φ) -generic sequence, i.e., there is $G \subseteq (\mathbb{Q}^\varphi)^M$ generic over M such that $\nu = \eta[G]$.

Then we can find a countable \mathbb{P}_2 such that

- (α) $\mathbb{P}_1 \subseteq_{ic} \mathbb{P}_2$ and every $\mathcal{J} \in M$ which is predense in \mathbb{P}_1 is predense in \mathbb{P}_2
 (β) $\Vdash_{\mathbb{P}_2} "\nu \text{ is } (M', \mathbb{Q}^\varphi) \text{-generic sequence where } M' = M[G_{\mathbb{P}_2} \cap \mathbb{P}_1]"$.

2) Similarly for φ defining a nep forcing.

Proof. 1) In M we can define $\mathbb{P}^+ = \mathbb{P}_1 * (\mathbb{Q}^\varphi)^{M[G_{\mathbb{P}_1}]}$, now as \mathbb{Q}^φ is absolutely c.c.c., we know that $q \mapsto (\emptyset, q)$ is a complete embedding of $(\mathbb{Q}^\varphi)^M$ into \mathbb{P}^+ . So if $G_* \subseteq (\mathbb{Q}^\varphi)^M$ is generic over M such that $\nu = \eta[G]$ then let $\mathbb{P}_2^* = \{(p, q) \in \mathbb{P}_1 * (\mathbb{Q}^\varphi)^{M[G_{\mathbb{P}_1}]} : (p, q) \text{ is compatible with } (\emptyset, q') \text{ for every } q' \in G_*\}$. Now check.

2) See [4].

□_{1.8}

Crucial Claim 1.9. In IS , any \leq^* -increasing ω -chain has an upper bound.

Remark. 1) The ω -limit is the crucial one not the ω_1 -limit? Actually for ω_1 -limit we take the union and we preserve what we need by using the square (and having done something toward it in earlier limits or stages of cofinality \aleph_0).

2) When is the union not an upper bound? If, e.g., for each $\alpha \in S' \subseteq S^\mathcal{Y}$ the forcing note $\varphi_\alpha^\mathcal{Y}$ is random real forcing we have in particular to preserve $\{\nu_\alpha : \alpha \in S'\}$ is non-null, but the union normally adds a Cohen.

Proof. So assume $(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{Y}^n, \bar{M}^n) \in IS$ and $(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{Y}^n, \bar{M}^n) \leq^* (\mathbb{P}^{n+1}, \mathcal{Y}^{n+1}, \bar{M}^{n+1})$ for $n < \omega$, let \bar{M} be such that $\bar{M} \geq \bar{M}^n$ for each n ; so let $E_n \in \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}$ witness both. For simplicity assume that above any $p \in \mathbb{P}^n$ there are two incompatible elements, and $0 \in \mathbb{P}^0$ is minimal in all \mathbb{P}^n , i.e. is

$\emptyset_{\mathbb{P}_n}$. Without loss of generality the set of elements of \mathbb{P}^n is $\subseteq \omega_1$ and $\omega_1 \setminus \bigcup_{n < \omega} \mathbb{P}^n$ has cardinality \aleph_1 and let X^* be such that $\bigcup_{n < \omega} \mathbb{P}^n \subseteq X^* \subseteq \omega_1$ and $|X^* \setminus \bigcup_{n < \omega} \mathbb{P}^n| = \aleph_1$; this notation helps in a future use, also there we replace ω by a (countable) ordinal of cofinality \aleph_0 . We can define functions $F_n, F_{n,m}, F_{n,m,\ell}$ (when $n < m < \omega, \ell < \omega$) such that

- (a)_n if $p, q \in \mathbb{P}_n$ are compatible then $F_n(p, q) \in \mathbb{P}_n$ is a common upper bound
- (b)_{n,m} if $n < m$ and $p \in \mathbb{P}_m$, then $\langle F_{n,m,\ell}(p) : \ell < \omega \rangle$ is a maximal antichain of \mathbb{P}_n , such that for each ℓ :
 - either $p, F_{n,m,\ell}(p)$ are incompatible (in \mathbb{P}_m)
 - or p is compatible in \mathbb{P}_m with every $q \in \mathbb{P}_n$ which is above $F_{n,m,\ell}(p)$
- (c)_{n,m} if $n < m, p \in \mathbb{P}_m, q \in \mathbb{P}_n$ then $p \leq F_{n,m}(p, q) \in \mathbb{P}_n$ and if there is r such that $q \leq_{\mathbb{P}_n} r$ and r, p are incompatible in \mathbb{P}_m then $p, F_{n,m}(p, q)$ are incompatible in \mathbb{P}_m .

Let E be a club of ω_1 , such that $\delta \in E \Rightarrow \delta$ is closed under $F_n, F_{n,m}, F_{n,m,\ell}$ and

$$\text{otp}(X^* \cap \delta \setminus \bigcup_{n < \omega} \mathbb{P}^n) = \delta.$$

We would like to define a forcing notion \mathbb{P}^ω with universe X^* , and 1-commitment \mathcal{Y}^ω , and functions $F_\omega, F_{n,\omega,\ell}$ satisfying the natural requirements. First, let

$$E_\omega = \bigcap_{n < \omega} E_n \cap E, S^{\mathcal{Y}^\omega} = \bigcup_{n < \omega} S^{\mathcal{Y}^n} \cap E_\omega,$$

and for $\alpha \in S^{\mathcal{Y}^\omega}$ the triple $(\varphi_\alpha^{\mathcal{Y}^\omega}, \eta_\alpha^{\mathcal{Y}^\omega}, \nu_\alpha^{\mathcal{Y}^\omega})$ is $(\varphi_\alpha^{\mathcal{Y}^{n(\alpha)}}, \eta_\alpha^{\mathcal{Y}^{n(\alpha)}}, \nu_\alpha^{\mathcal{Y}^{n(\alpha)}})$ where $n(\alpha) = \text{Min}\{n : \alpha \in S^{\mathcal{Y}^n}\}$.

Defining $\mathbb{P}_\omega, F_\omega, F_{n,\omega,\ell}$ is harder, so we first define AP , a set of approximations to it. A member t of AP has the form $(\delta^t, \mathbb{P}^t, F_\omega^t, F_{n,\omega,\ell}^t, \Gamma^t)_{\ell < \omega}$ satisfying

- (α) $\delta^t \in E_\omega$
- (β) \mathbb{P}^t is a forcing notion with set of elements $\subseteq X^* \cap \delta^t$ and $\supseteq \delta^t \cap \bigcup_n \mathbb{P}_n$
 - and $0 \leq_{\mathbb{P}^t} p$ for every $p \in \mathbb{P}^t$
- (γ) $\mathbb{P}^t \upharpoonright (\mathbb{P}^n \cap \delta^t) = \mathbb{P}^n \upharpoonright (\mathbb{P}^n \cap \delta^t)$
- (δ) if $p, q \in \mathbb{P}^t$ are compatible in \mathbb{P}^t then $F_\omega^t(p, q)$ is such an upper bound
- (ε) if $p \in \mathbb{P}^t, n < \omega$ then $\langle F_{n,\omega,\ell}^t(p) : \ell < \omega \rangle$ is a maximal antichain of \mathbb{P}_n , the members are $< \delta^t$, and for each ℓ , either $p, F_{n,\omega,\ell}^t(p)$ are incompatible in \mathbb{P}^t or $(\forall q \in \mathbb{P}_n \cap \delta) (\mathbb{P}_n \models "F_{n,\omega,\ell}^t(p) \leq q" \Rightarrow p, q \text{ are compatible in } \mathbb{P}^t)$ and for at least one ℓ the second case occurs

- (ζ) if $p \in \mathbb{P}^t \cap \mathbb{P}_m \setminus \bigcup_{\ell < m} \mathbb{P}_\ell$ then $F_{n,\omega,\ell}^t(p) = F_{n,m,\ell}(p)$
- (η) Γ^t is a sequence $\langle \bar{p}_\zeta^t : \zeta < \zeta^t \rangle$, $\zeta^t < \omega_1$ and \bar{p}_ζ^t is a sequence of length ω of members of \mathbb{P}^t which form a maximal antichain (of \mathbb{P}^t)
- (θ) if $p \in \mathbb{P}^t$ and $n < m < \omega$ and $r \in \mathbb{P}_n \cap \delta^t$ and $[r \leq r' \in \mathbb{P}_n \cap \delta^t \Rightarrow r', p$ are compatible in $\mathbb{P}^t]$, then the set $\{F_{m,\omega,\ell}^t(p) : \ell < \omega \text{ and } p \text{ is compatible with } F_{m,\omega,\ell}^t(p) \text{ in } \mathbb{P}^t\}$ satisfies: if $r \leq q \in \mathbb{P}_n$ then in \mathbb{P}_m , q is compatible with some member of this set
- (ι) if $\zeta < \zeta^t$ and $n < \omega$ then:
 $\{F_{n,\omega,\ell}^t(p_{\zeta,k}^t) : k < \omega, \ell < \omega \text{ and } p_{\zeta,k}^t, F_{n,\omega,\ell}^t(p_{\zeta,k}^t) \text{ are compatible in } \mathbb{P}^t\}$
 is a predense subset of \mathbb{P}_n . Note that trivially this subset is predense in $\mathbb{P}_n \cap \delta^t$; similarly in clause (κ)

Moreover,

- (κ) if $p^* \in \mathbb{P}^t$ and $n < \omega$ and $\zeta < \zeta^t$ then

$$\mathcal{I}_{\zeta,n,p^*}^t =: \{r' \in \mathbb{P}_n \cap \delta^t : \begin{array}{l} (i) \quad r', p^* \text{ incompatible in } \mathbb{P}^t \text{ or} \\ (ii) \quad \text{for some } k < \omega \text{ and } p' \text{ we have} \\ \quad (\forall r'') [r' \leq r'' \in \mathbb{P}_n \cap \delta^t \rightarrow \{r'', p'\} \\ \quad \text{has an upper bound in } \mathbb{P}^t] \text{ and} \\ \quad p^* \leq_{\mathbb{P}^t} p', p_{\zeta,k}^t \leq_{\mathbb{P}^t} p'\} \end{array}$$

is predense in \mathbb{P}_n .

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We define the (natural) partial order \leq^* on AP : for $t, s \in AP$ as follows; we let $t \leq^* s$ iff:

- (i) $\delta^t \leq \delta^s$
 (ii) $\mathbb{P}^t \subseteq \mathbb{P}^s$
 (iii) $F_\omega^t \subseteq F_\omega^s$
 (iv) $F_{n,\omega,\ell}^t \subseteq F_{n,\omega,\ell}^s$
 (v) Γ^t is an initial segment of Γ^s .

Fact A. $AP \neq \emptyset$.

Proof. Easy: choose $\delta \in E$, let

$$\mathbb{P}^t = \left(\bigcup_{n < \omega} \mathbb{P}^n \right) \upharpoonright \delta, F_\omega(p, q) = F_{n(p,q)}(p, q)$$

where $n(p, q) = \text{Min}\{n : p \in \mathbb{P}_n \text{ and } q \in \mathbb{P}_n\}$.

For $n < \omega$, $p \in \mathbb{P}^t \cap \delta$ let $\langle F_{n,\omega,\ell}^t(p) : \ell < \omega \rangle$ be $\langle F_{n,m,\ell}(p) : \ell < \omega \rangle$ for the first $m \geq n$ such that $p \in \mathbb{P}_m$.

Lastly, $\Gamma =$ empty sequence.

Fact B. If $t \in AP$ and $\delta^t < \delta \in E$, then there is s satisfying $t \leq^* s \in AP$ with $\delta^s \geq \delta$, $\zeta^s = \zeta^t$.

Proof. Without loss of generality $t, \langle \mathbb{P}^n \upharpoonright \delta : n < \omega \rangle, X^* \cap \delta$ belongs to M_δ and $\delta \in E \cap \bigcap_{n < \omega} E_n$ and $X^* \cap \delta \setminus \bigcup_{n < \omega} \mathbb{P}_n \setminus \delta^t$ is infinite and even has order type δ . [Why? As $\emptyset \notin \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}$ and we can increase δ .] So (for the last phrase see the proof of 1.4(4))

(*) any $\mathcal{J} \in M_\delta$ which is a predense subset of $\mathbb{P}_n \upharpoonright \delta$ is a predense subset of \mathbb{P}_n and $n < m \Rightarrow \mathbb{P}_n \upharpoonright \delta < \mathbb{P}_m \upharpoonright \delta$.

Let $A = \mathbb{P}^t \subseteq X^* \cap \delta^t$, $B = \bigcup_{n < \omega} \mathbb{P}^n \cap \delta$. We define a forcing notion \mathbb{Q} , with set of elements $\subseteq A \times B$ identifying $(p, 0)$ with p and $(0, q)$ with q . Now $(p, q) \in A \times B$ belongs to \mathbb{Q} iff: $p = 0$ or $q = 0$ or there are $r \in A \cap B$ and $n = n(p, q)$ such that: $\mathbb{P}_n \models "r \leq q"$, and $(\forall r') [r \leq r' \in \mathbb{P}_n \cap \delta^t \rightarrow r', p \text{ compatible in } \mathbb{P}^t]$; we call such r a witness and n a possible value for $n(p, q)$. The order on \mathbb{Q} is

$$(p, q) \leq (p', q') \Leftrightarrow p \leq_{\mathbb{P}^t} p' \text{ and } \bigvee_n q \leq_{\mathbb{P}_n} q'.$$

Now note

(α) $\mathbb{Q} \upharpoonright A = \mathbb{P}^t$.

(β) $\mathbb{Q} \upharpoonright B = \bigcup_{n < \omega} \mathbb{P}_n \upharpoonright \delta$.

(γ) If $(p, q) \in \mathbb{Q}$, $m = n(p, q)$ and $q \in \mathbb{P}_m \upharpoonright \delta$ and $\mathbb{P}_m \upharpoonright \delta \models "q \leq q'"$ and $\mathbb{P}^t \models "p' \leq p"$, then $(p', q') \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $\mathbb{Q} \models "(p, q) \leq (p', q)'"$.

(δ) If $(p, q) \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $n = n(p, q) \leq m < \omega$, then for some q_1 we have: $(p, q) \leq (p, q_1) \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $n(p, q_1) = m$, or at least m is a possible value for $n(p, q_1)$.

[Why? Let $r \in \mathbb{P}_{n(p,q)}$ be a witness in particular r is compatible with p in \mathbb{P}_t . By clause (θ) of the Definition of AP the set $\mathcal{J} = \{F_{m,\omega,\ell}^t(p) : \ell < \omega \text{ and } p \text{ is compatible with } F_{m,\omega,\ell}^t(p) \text{ in } \mathbb{P}^t\}$ is predense above r in \mathbb{P}_m . $\mathbb{P}_n \models r \leq q$ hence $\mathbb{P}_m \models r \leq q$ so for some ℓ , $F_{m,\omega,\ell}^t(p) \in \mathcal{J}$ is compatible with q in \mathbb{P}_m so there is $q_1 \in \mathbb{P}_m \cap \delta$ such that $\mathbb{P}_m \models q \leq q_1 \wedge F_{m,\omega,\ell}^t(p) \leq q_1$. So $(p, q_1) \in \mathbb{Q}$ as witnessed by m and $r' = F_{m,\omega,\ell}^t(p)$, is as required.]

(ε) $\mathbb{P}_n \upharpoonright \delta < \mathbb{Q}$.

[Why? Let $(p^0, q^0) \in \mathbb{Q}$, of course, we can replace this pair by any larger one, so by clause (δ) above without loss of generality some $m \in$

$[n, \omega)$, is a possible value for $n(p^0, q^0)$ so we have $q^0 \in \mathbb{P}_m \upharpoonright \delta$, hence recalling that $\mathbb{P}_n \upharpoonright \delta \leq \mathbb{P}_m \upharpoonright \delta$ there is $q^1 \in \mathbb{P}_n \upharpoonright \delta$ such that:

$$(\forall r \in \mathbb{P}_n)(\mathbb{P}_n \upharpoonright \delta \models q^1 \leq r \Rightarrow r, q^0 \text{ compatible in } \mathbb{P}_m \upharpoonright \delta).$$

Assume $q^1 \leq r \in \mathbb{P}_n \upharpoonright \delta$. So r, q^0 are compatible in $\mathbb{P}_m \upharpoonright \delta$ hence has a common upper bound $q^2 \in \mathbb{P}_m \upharpoonright \delta$.

In particular $q^0 \leq q^2 \in \mathbb{P}_m \upharpoonright \delta$ so by clause (γ) we have $(p^0, q^2) \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $(p^0, q^0) \leq^{\mathbb{Q}} (p^0, q^2)$; also $r = (0, r) \leq (p^0, q^2)$ as $r \leq q^2$ together $r, (p^0, q^0)$ are compatible in \mathbb{Q} , so $[q^1 \leq r \in \mathbb{P}_n \upharpoonright \delta \Rightarrow (p^0, q^0), r = (0, r)$ are compatible in \mathbb{Q}]. As $(p^0, q^0) \in \mathbb{Q}$ was arbitrary we are done.]

(ζ) If $p_1, p_2 \in \mathbb{P}^t$ are incompatible in \mathbb{P}^t then they are incompatible in \mathbb{Q} . [Why? Look at the order of \mathbb{Q}].

(η) If $\zeta < \zeta^t$ then \bar{p}_ζ^t is a maximal antichain in \mathbb{Q} .

[Why? If not some $(p^*, q^*) \in \mathbb{Q}$ is incompatible in \mathbb{Q} with every $(p_{\zeta, k}^t, 0)$ for $k < \omega$. Let $n < \omega$ be a possible value of $n(p^*, q^*)$ so $q^* \in \mathbb{P}_n \upharpoonright \delta$ and there is a witness $r^* \leq q^*, r^* \in \mathbb{P}_n \upharpoonright \delta^t$ for $(p^*, q^*) \in \mathbb{Q}$.

By clause (κ) in the definition of $t \in AP$ we know that for some $r \in \mathbb{P}_n \cap \delta^t$ we have:

- (i) $r \in \mathcal{I}_{\zeta, n, p^*}^t$
- (ii) q^*, r are compatible in \mathbb{P}_n .

As q^*, r are compatible and $r^* \leq q^*$ also r^*, r are compatible in \mathbb{P}_n hence in $\mathbb{P}_n \cap \delta^t$, so by the demand on r^* , we have: r, p^* are compatible in \mathbb{P}^t . So in clause (κ) of the definition of AP , in the definition of $\mathcal{I}_{\zeta, n, p^*}^t$ for our r subclause (i) fails hence subclause (ii) holds so there are k, p' as in subclause (ii) there. Also let $q^1 \in \mathbb{P}_n \upharpoonright \delta$ be a common upper bound of q^*, r . So r witness that $(p', q^1) \in \mathbb{Q}$ with n a possible value of $n(p', q^1)$. Clearly it is above (p^*, q^*) and above $p_{\zeta, k}^t$ so we are done.]

Let $\delta^s = \delta$. Clearly $\mathbb{Q} \in M_\delta$ and $M_\delta \models "|\mathbb{Q}_\delta| \leq |\delta|"$ so, as $X^* \cap \delta \setminus \bigcup_n \mathbb{P}_n$ has order type δ and \mathbb{P}^t is bounded in it, there is $f \in M_\delta$ such that $f: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow X^* \cap \delta$ is a one to one (into or even onto), extending $\text{id}_A \cup \text{id}_B$, and define \mathbb{P}^s such that f is an isomorphism from \mathbb{Q} onto \mathbb{P}^s . We can define $F_\omega^s, F_{n, \omega, \ell}^s$ ($n, \ell < \omega$) extending $F_\omega^t, F_{n, \omega, \ell}^s$ as required, e.g., $F_{n, \omega, \ell}^s((p, q)) = F_{n, m, \ell}^s(q)$ for some $m > n$ such that $q \in \mathbb{P}_m$ except when $q = 0$ then $F_{n, \omega, \ell}^s((p, 0)) = F_{n, \omega, \ell}^t(p)$. Now it is easy to check clause (θ) of the definition of $s \in AP$, recalling $(*)$ above and clauses (i), (κ) holds since the construction is made in M_δ . Lastly, let $\Gamma^s = \Gamma^t$.

Fact C. If $t^n \in AP$ and $t^n \leq^* t^{n+1}$ for $n < \omega$ then there is t such that $n < \omega \Rightarrow t^n \leq^* t \in AP$ and $\delta^t = \bigcup_{n < \omega} \delta^{t^n}$ and $\zeta^t = \bigcup_{n < \omega} \zeta^{t^n}$.

[Why? Just let δ^t, ζ^t be as above, $\mathbb{P}^t = \bigcup_{n < \omega} \mathbb{P}^{t^n}$, $F_\omega^t = \bigcup_{n < \omega} F_n^{t^n}$, $F_{m, \omega, \ell}^t = \bigcup_{n < \omega} F_{m, \omega, \ell}^{t^n}$ and $p_{\zeta, k}^t = p_{\zeta, k}^{t^n}$ for every n large enough. Now check.]

Main Fact D. Assume $t \in AP$, $\delta^t \in E \cap \bigcap_{n < \omega} E_n$, $t \in M_\delta$ and $\delta := \delta^t \in \bigcup_{n < \omega} S^{\mathcal{Y}^n}$. Then there is $s \in AP$ such that $t \leq^* s$ and ν_δ is actually a \mathbb{P}^s -name (i.e. all the countably many conditions appearing in its definition belongs to $\bigcup_{n < \omega} \mathbb{P}_m \cap \delta^s \subseteq \mathbb{P}^s$) and:

- (*) if $\mathbb{P}^s \subseteq_{ic} \mathbb{Q}$, and for each $\zeta < \zeta^s$ the sequence \bar{p}_ζ^s is a maximal antichain of \mathbb{Q} , then
 $\Vdash_{\mathbb{Q}}$ “there is $G' \subseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\bar{p}_\zeta^s}^{M_\delta[G]}$ generic over $M_\delta[G]$ such that $(\eta[G])[G'] = \nu_\delta$ ”.

[Why? Chase arrows so similar to the proof of 1.8 (1) (and we use clause (α) there for clause (e) of Definition 1.6 (1A)).]

Fact E. If in Main Fact D, \mathbb{Q}_δ is a singleton (hence $\nu_\delta \in M_\delta$ so the main fact is trivial) then there is $s \in AP$ such that $t \leq^* s$ and $\bar{p} \in M_\delta$ is an ω -sequence listing a predense subset of \mathbb{P}^t then \bar{p} appears in the sequence Γ^t .

[Why? Easy.]

So we can choose $t_\varepsilon \in AP$ by induction on $\varepsilon < \omega_1$ such that t^ε is \leq^* -increasing continuous, $\delta^{t^{\varepsilon+1}} > \delta^{t^\varepsilon}$, and if $t^\varepsilon \in M_{(\delta^{t^\varepsilon})}$, $\delta^{t^\varepsilon} \in \bigcap_{n < \omega} E_n \cap E \cap \bigcup_{n < \omega} S^{\mathcal{Y}^n}$ then $t^{\varepsilon+1}$ is gotten by Fact D. No problem to carry this ($\varepsilon = 0$ by Fact A, $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_1 + 1$ by Fact D if possible and by Fact B if not; lastly, if ε is a limit ordinal, use Fact C).

Now let $\mathbb{P}^\omega = \bigcup_{\varepsilon < \omega_1} \mathbb{P}^{t^\varepsilon}$ and it should be clear how to define \mathcal{Y}^ω ; now check the requirements. $\square_{1.9}$

Definition 1.10. Let $\bar{C}^* = \langle C_\delta^* : \delta < \omega_2 \text{ a limit ordinal} \rangle$ (and $C_\alpha^* = \emptyset$ otherwise) be a square sequence and $\bar{X}^* = \langle X_i^* : i < \omega_1 \rangle$ be an increasing sequence of subsets of ω_1 ,

$$|X_i^* \setminus \bigcup_{j < i} X_j^*| = \aleph_1, X_{\omega_1}^* = \bigcup_{i < \omega_1} X_i^*.$$

We say that $\langle (\mathbb{P}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i, f_i, \bar{M}_i) : i < \alpha \rangle$ is a (\bar{C}^*, \bar{X}^*) -iteration (we omit \bar{M}^i and write $(\bar{M}, \bar{C}^*, \bar{X}^*)$ -iteration if $i < \alpha \Rightarrow \bar{M}^i \leq \bar{M}$ or an \bar{M} -iteration when \bar{C}^*, \bar{X}^* are clear from context) if:

- (a) $(\mathbb{P}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i, \bar{M}^i) \in IS$ is $<^*$ -increasing and $\text{Dom}(\bar{M}^i) = S^{\mathcal{Y}_i}$
 (b) f_i is a one to one function from \mathbb{P}_i onto $X_{\text{otp}(C_\alpha^*)}^*$, and let $(\mathbb{P}'_i, \mathcal{Y}'_i)$ be such that f_i maps $(\mathbb{P}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i)$ to $(\mathbb{P}'_i, \mathcal{Y}'_i)$
 (c) if $j \in \text{acc}(C_i)$ then $f_j \subseteq f_i$
 (d) if $\text{cf}(i) = \aleph_0$ and $i = \sup \text{acc}(C_i^*)$ then $(\mathbb{P}'_i, \mathcal{Y}'_i)$ is gotten from $\langle (\mathbb{P}'_j, \mathcal{Y}'_j) : j \in \text{acc}(C_i^*) \rangle$ as in the proof of 1.9 (using $\langle X_j^* : j \in \text{acc}(C_i^*) \rangle$),

$X_{\text{otp}(C_i^*)}^*$ instead of $\langle X_n : n < \omega \rangle$, X_ω so $\text{acc}(C_i^*)$ replace ω and we generate $\langle t_\alpha^i : \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$ and by it define $(\mathbb{P}'_i, \mathcal{Y}'_i)$ hence $(\mathbb{P}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i)$

- (e) in clause (d), assume $\delta = \text{otp}(C_i^*)$, $\langle (\mathbb{P}'_j, \mathcal{Y}'_j) \upharpoonright \delta : j \in \text{acc}(C_i^*) \rangle \in M_\delta$ and for $j_1 < j_2$ from $\text{acc}(C_i^*)$ the ordinal δ belongs to the club $\{\alpha < \omega_1 : \alpha \text{ limit closed under the functions } F^{j_1} \text{ and } F_\ell^{j_1, j_2} \text{ (see clause (f) below)}\}$ and $\delta^{t_\delta^i} = \delta$. Let $t_*^i \in AP$ be defined by $\delta_*^i = \text{otp}(C_i^*)$, $\mathbb{P}_*^{t_*^i} = \cup\{\mathbb{P}'_j \upharpoonright \delta : j \in \text{acc}(C_i^*)\}$, $F_\omega^{t_*^i} = \cup\{F^{j_1} \upharpoonright \delta_{i, j_1} \in \text{acc}(C_i^*)\}$, $F_{j_1, \omega, \ell}^{t_*^i} = \cup\{F_\ell^{j_1, j_2} : j_2 \in \text{acc}(C_i^*) \setminus j_1\}$ and let $\Gamma^{t_*^i}$ be empty. If $t_*^i \in M_\delta$ then let t_0^i be gotten from t_*^i as in Fact D.
- (f) F^j is a (partial) two-place function from $X_{\text{otp}(C_j^*)}^*$ to itself such that $F^j(p, q)$ is the $<$ -first common upper bound of p and q in \mathbb{P}'_j and if $j_1 \in \text{acc}(C_{j_2}^*)$ then we have $\langle F_n^{j_1, j_2}(p) : n < \omega \rangle$ is a maximal antichain of \mathbb{P}'_{j_1} satisfying: for each n , either $F_n^{j_1, j_2}(p)$ is incompatible with p in \mathbb{P}'_{j_1} or p is compatible with r in \mathbb{P}'_{j_2} wherever $\mathbb{P}'_{j_1} \models F_n^{j_1, j_2}(p) \leq r$.

Claim 1.11 (iteration at limit). 1) Assume $\langle (\mathbb{P}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i, f_i) : i < \zeta \rangle$ is a $(\bar{M}, \bar{C}^*, \bar{X}^*)$ -iteration where $\zeta < \omega_2$ is a limit ordinal. Then

- (a) we can find $(\mathbb{P}_\zeta, \mathcal{Y}_\zeta, f_\zeta)$ such that $\langle (\mathbb{P}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i, f_i) : i < \zeta + 1 \rangle$ is an \bar{M} -iteration
- (b) if $S \subseteq S^*$, $i < \zeta \Rightarrow S^{\mathcal{Y}_i} \subseteq S \text{ mod } \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}$, then we can demand $S^{\mathcal{Y}_\zeta} = S$.

Proof. If $\text{cf}(\zeta) = \aleph_0$ we use 1.9 but taking care of clause (e), this just dictates to us how to start the induction there. If $\text{cf}(\zeta) = \aleph_1$, then by the square bookkeeping (see clause (e) in Definition 1.10) our work is done (using $f_\zeta = \cup\{f_\xi : \xi \in \text{acc}(C_\zeta)\}$). $\square_{1.11}$

Claim 1.12. 1) Assume

- (a) $\mathcal{Y} = (S, \bar{\Phi}, \bar{\eta}, \bar{\nu})$ is a 1-commitment on the forcing notion $\mathbb{P} \in \mathcal{H}(\aleph_2)$ for \bar{M}
- (b) $G_{\mathbb{P}} \subseteq \mathbb{P}$ is generic over \mathbf{V} , $\bar{\nu}^0 = \langle \nu_\alpha^0 : \alpha \in S \rangle$ where $\nu_\alpha^0 = \nu_\alpha[G_{\mathbb{P}}]$, $\bar{M}^1 = \bar{M}[G_{\mathbb{P}}] = \langle M_\delta[f''(G_{\mathbb{P}})] : \delta \in S^* \rangle$ for some one to one function f from \mathbb{P} into ω_1
- (c) in $\mathbf{V}[G_{\mathbb{P}}]$, $\mathcal{Y}^1 = (S^1, \bar{\Phi}^1, \bar{\eta}^1, \bar{\nu}^1)$ is a 0-commitment, $S \subseteq S^1 \text{ mod } \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}[G_{\mathbb{P}}]}$, $\bar{\Phi}^1 \upharpoonright (S \cap S^1) = \bar{\Phi} \upharpoonright (S \cap S^1)$, $\bar{\eta}^1 \upharpoonright (S \cap S^1) = \bar{\eta} \upharpoonright (S \cap S^1)$, $\bar{\nu}^1 \upharpoonright (S \cap S^1) = \bar{\nu}^0 \upharpoonright (S \cap S^1)$ and $(S^1, \bar{\Phi}^1, \bar{\eta}^1) \in V$
- (d) in $\mathbf{V}[G_{\mathbb{P}}]$, \mathbb{Q} is a forcing notion satisfying the 0-commitment \mathcal{Y}^1 for \bar{M}^1 .

Then for some \mathbb{P} -name \mathbb{Q} and 1-commitment \mathcal{Y}^2 we have:

- (a) $(\mathbb{P}, \mathcal{Y}) \leq^* (\mathbb{P} * \mathbb{Q}, \mathcal{Y}^2)$
- (b) $S^{\mathcal{Y}^2} = S^1, \Phi^{\mathcal{Y}^2} = \bar{\Phi}^1, \bar{\eta}^{\mathcal{Y}^2} = \bar{\eta}^1, \bar{\nu}[G_{\mathbb{P}}] = \bar{\nu}^1$
- (c) $\mathbb{Q}[G_{\mathbb{P}}] = \mathbb{Q}$.

2) If for every $G_{\mathbb{P}} \subseteq \mathbb{P}$ generic over \mathbf{V} there are \mathbb{Q} satisfying some ψ_1 and $(S^1, \bar{\Phi}^1, \bar{\eta}^1, \bar{\nu}) \in \mathbf{V}[G_{\mathbb{P}}]$ as above satisfying some ψ_2 , then we can demand

- (d) $\Vdash_{\mathbb{P}}$ “ $\mathbb{Q}[G_{\mathbb{P}}], \mathcal{Y}^2$ as above satisfies ψ_1, ψ_2 respectively”.

3) We may allow $\langle (\bar{\varphi}_\alpha, \bar{\eta}_\alpha) : \alpha \in S^1 \rangle$ be a sequence of \mathbb{P} -names and even $(\mathbb{P} * \mathbb{Q})$ -names.

Proof. Straight.

Claim 1.13 (iteration in successor case: increase the commitment).

Assume $\langle (\mathbb{P}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i, f_i) : i < \zeta \rangle$ is an \bar{M} -iteration and $\zeta = \xi + 1$, $S^{\mathcal{Y}_\xi} \subseteq S \subseteq S^*$, $S \subseteq \text{Dom}(\bar{M})$ and $\langle (\varphi_\alpha, \eta_\alpha) : \alpha \in S \setminus S^{\mathcal{Y}_\xi} \rangle$ is as required in Definition 1.6. Lastly $Z_\alpha \subseteq {}^\omega 2$ is a \mathbb{P}_ξ -name of a positive set for $(\bar{\varphi}_\alpha, \eta_\alpha)$ for every such α .

Then we can find $(\mathbb{P}_\zeta, \mathcal{Y}_\zeta, f_\zeta)$ such that

- (i) $\langle (\mathbb{P}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i, f_i) : i < \zeta + 1 \rangle$ is an \bar{M} -iteration
- (ii) $\mathbb{P}_\zeta = \mathbb{P}_\xi, S^{\mathcal{Y}_\zeta} = S, (\bar{\varphi}_\alpha^{\mathcal{Y}_\zeta}, \eta_\alpha^{\mathcal{Y}_\zeta}) = (\bar{\varphi}_\alpha, \eta_\alpha)$ if $\alpha \in S \setminus S^{\mathcal{Y}_\xi}$.

Proof. Straight.

Claim 1.14 (iteration at successor: increasing the forcing). Suppose

- (a) $(\mathbb{P}, \mathcal{Y}) \in IS$ and the set of elements of \mathbb{P} is X_i (the X_j^* 's as in 1.10)
- (b) \mathbb{Q} is a \mathbb{P} -name satisfying, for every $G \subseteq \mathbb{P}$ generic over \mathbf{V} , the following:
 - (i) $\mathbb{Q}[G]$ is a forcing notion with set of elements beings $X_{i+1} \setminus X_i$
 - (ii) $\{ \delta < \omega_1 : \text{if } \mathbb{P} \upharpoonright \delta \in M_\delta \text{ and } G \cap \delta \text{ is a generic subset of } \mathbb{P} \upharpoonright \delta, \mathbb{Q}[G] \upharpoonright \delta \in M_\delta[G \cap \delta] \text{ and } \nu_\delta[G] \text{ is forced to be generic for } ((\mathbb{Q}^{\varphi_\delta[G]})^{M_\delta[G]}, \eta_\delta[G]) \} \in \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}[G]}$.

Then we can find $(\mathbb{P}^+, \mathcal{Y}^+)$ such that $(\mathbb{P}, \mathcal{Y}) \leq^* (\mathbb{P}^+, \mathcal{Y}^+) \in IS$ and the \mathbb{P} -name $\mathbb{P}^+ / G_{\mathbb{P}}$ is equivalent to $\mathbb{Q}[G_{\mathbb{P}}]$.

Proof. Straight.

Conclusion 1.15. Assume (\bar{C}^*, \bar{X}^*) is as in 1.9. Let Φ be a set of definitions of forcing notions with some real parameters, and $\langle S_i^* : i < \omega_2 \rangle$ is as in 1.4 for $\mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}$.

We can find $\langle (\mathbb{P}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i, f_i, \bar{M}^i) : i < \omega_2 \rangle$ such that

- (a) it is an (\bar{C}^*, \bar{X}^*) -iteration
- (b) $\mathbb{P} = \bigcup_{i < \omega_2} \mathbb{P}_i$ is a c.c.c. forcing notion of cardinality \aleph_2
 (so in $\mathbf{V}^{\mathbb{P}}$, $2^{\aleph_0} \leq \aleph_2$) and except in degenerated cases equality holds
- (c) $S^{\mathcal{Y}_i} = S_i^*$ from 1.4(3)
- (d) if in $\mathbf{V}^{\mathbb{P}_i}$ we have $(\bar{\varphi}, \eta)$ is a case of Φ as in 1.6, moreover
 $\Vdash_{\mathbb{P}_i} \{ \delta \in S_{i+1}^* \setminus S_i^* : M_\delta^{i+1}[f_i''(G_{\mathbb{P}_i})] \models \text{“}(\bar{\varphi}, \eta) \text{ as required in 1.6”} \} \in \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}^{i+1}}^+$
 (even less with more bookkeeping) and $Z \subseteq (\omega_2)^{\mathbf{V}^{\mathbb{P}}}$ is positive for $(\bar{\varphi}, \eta)$, then
 (α) $\{ \delta \in S^{\mathcal{Y}_{i+1}} \setminus S^{\mathcal{Y}_i} : (\bar{\varphi}, \eta_\delta) / G_{\mathbb{P}_i} = (\bar{\varphi}, \eta) \text{ and } \nu_\delta[G_{\mathbb{P}_i}] \in Z \} \in \mathcal{D}_{\bar{M}}^+$,
 in fact the set is forced to include such old set (from \mathbf{V}) by this we can get
 (β) for some $j > i$, $\delta \in S^{\mathcal{Y}_{j+1}} \setminus S_j^{\mathcal{Y}_0} \Rightarrow (\bar{\varphi}, \eta_\delta) / G_{\mathbb{P}_i} = (\bar{\varphi}, \eta)$, $\nu_\delta[G_{\mathbb{P}_i}] \in Z$
- (e) if H is a pregiven function such that for every $i < \omega_2$ and $(\mathbb{P}, \mathcal{Y}, \bar{M})$ satisfying $(\mathbb{P}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i) \leq^* (\mathbb{P}, \mathcal{Y}) \in IS$ such that $S^{\mathcal{Y}} = S_i^*$ we have $(\mathbb{P}, \mathcal{Y}) \leq^* H(\mathbb{P}, \mathcal{Y}) \in IS$ such that $H(\mathbb{P}, \mathcal{Y}, \bar{M})$ satisfies the demands from (a) + (c) on $(\mathbb{P}_{i+1}, \mathcal{Y}_{i+1}, \bar{M}^{i+1})$, then we can demand $(\exists^{\aleph_2} j)[(\mathbb{P}_{j+1}, \mathcal{Y}_{j+1}) = H(\mathbb{P}_j, \mathcal{Y}_j)]$; moreover, if $S^* \subseteq \omega_2$ is stationary we can demand $\{j \in S : (\mathbb{P}_{j+1}, \mathcal{Y}_{j+1}) = H(\mathbb{P}_j, \mathcal{Y}_j)\}$ is stationary.
 (Of course, we can promise this for \aleph_2 such functions).

Proof. Put together the previous claims. (Concerning clause (e) without loss of generality $\{i < \omega_1 : \text{otp}(C_i^*) = 0\}$ is stationary) so in those stages we have no influence of clause (e) of 1.10; anyhow the influence of 1.10(e) is minor.

Discussion 1.16. We discuss here some possible extensions.

Claim 1.17. Assume $\langle S_i : i < \omega_2 \rangle$ is a sequence of pairwise almost disjoint stationary subsets of ω_1 , each with diamond and $i < j \Rightarrow S_i \subseteq S_j^+ \text{ mod } \mathcal{D}_{\omega_1}$, so $S_i^+ \subseteq \omega_1$ and $S_i \cap S_i^+ = \emptyset$ and $S_i^+ / \mathcal{D}_{\omega_1}$ is increasing with i .

Then in the following game the between the bookkeeper and the forcer, the bookkeeper has a winning strategy.

A Play last ω_2 moves, before the α -th move a sequence $\langle (\mathbb{P}_i, \mathbb{Q}_i, \bar{M}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i) : i < \alpha \rangle$ is defined such that

- (a) \mathbb{P}_i a c.c.c. forcing notion of cardinality \aleph_1 , say $\subseteq \mathcal{H}_{< \aleph_1}(\aleph_2)$
- (b) \mathbb{Q}_i is a \mathbb{P}_i -name of a forcing notion of cardinality $\leq \aleph_1$, say $\subseteq \omega_1$
- (c) \mathbb{P}_i is \ll -increasing

- (d) $\mathbb{P}_{i+1}, \mathbb{P}_i * \mathbb{Q}_i$ are isomorphic over \mathbb{P}_i
- (e) \bar{M}_i is a \mathbb{P}_i -name of an S_i -oracle
- (f) \mathcal{Y}_i is a \mathbb{P}_i -name of a S_i -commitment.

In the i -th move:

- (a) the bookkeeper chooses \mathbb{P}_i and a \mathbb{P}_i -name $(\bar{M}_i^+, \mathcal{Y}^+)$ of an S_i^* -oracle and 0-commitment
- (b) the forcer choose \mathbb{Q}_i and $(\bar{M}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i), \mathbb{P}_i$ -names such that \mathbb{Q}_i satisfies $(\bar{M}_i^+, \mathcal{Y}_i^+)$ and $(\bar{M}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i)$.

In the end the bookkeeper wins if

$$i < j < \omega_2 \Rightarrow \mathbb{P}_j / \mathbb{P}_i \text{ satisfies } (\bar{M}_i, \mathcal{Y}_i).$$

Proof. Similar to earlier proofs.

We give an easy criterion for existence. The following uses more from [4].

Claim 1.18. Assume

- (a) $(\mathbb{P}, \leq, \leq_n)_{n < \omega}$ is a definition of a forcing notion satisfying condition A of Baumgartner with \leq_n as witness and ZFC_*^- says this, in a way preserved by suitable forcing
- (b) $\mathcal{Y} = (S, \Phi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{\nu})$ is a 0-commitment so $\Phi = \langle \varphi_\alpha : \alpha \in S \rangle$
- (c) \mathbb{P} is absolutely nep such that for each $\alpha \in S^\mathcal{Y}$ it is \leq_n -purely $I_{\mathbb{Q}^{\bar{\varphi}_\alpha}}$ -preserving, i.e.
 - (*) if M is a \mathbb{P} -candidate and a $\mathbb{Q}^{\bar{\varphi}_\alpha}$ -candidate, $p \in \mathbb{P}^M$, $n < \omega$ and $q \in (\mathbb{Q}^{\bar{\varphi}_\alpha})^M$ then for some p', η, ν we have $p \leq_n p' \in \mathbb{P}$, p' is $\langle M, \mathbb{P} \rangle$ -generic and ν is $(\mathbb{Q}^{\bar{\varphi}_\alpha}, \bar{\eta}_\alpha)$ -generic over M satisfying q (check def) and $p' \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}} \nu$ is $(\mathbb{Q}^{\bar{\varphi}_\alpha}, \bar{\eta}_\alpha)$ -generic over $M \langle G_{\mathbb{P}} \cap P^M \rangle$ ".

Then there is a c.c.c. forcing notion $\mathbb{P}' \subseteq \mathbb{P}$ (not necessarily $\mathbb{P}' \triangleleft \mathbb{P}$) satisfying the 0-commitment \mathcal{Y} and $\Vdash_{\mathbb{P}'} \text{ "for a club of } \delta < \omega_1, \varphi(\nu, \eta_\delta^*) \text{ "}$.

Remark. Why the φ_δ 's? We hope it helps, for example in the following; suppose we are given $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we like to force $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ which is not in $I_{\mathbb{Q}^{\bar{\varphi}_\alpha}}$ and on which the function f is continuous; i.e. to force a continuous f^* such that $\{\eta \in \omega_2: f^*(\eta) = f(\eta)\} \in (I_{\mathbb{Q}}^{ex})^+$. So not only do we like to find $q \Vdash \text{ "}\eta_\delta \text{ is } (\mathbb{Q}_\delta, \bar{\eta}_\delta)\text{-generic over } M_\delta[G_{\mathbb{P}}]\text{ "}$ but also $q \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}'} \text{ "}f(\eta_\delta) = f(\eta_\delta)\text{ "}$. This is what $\bar{\varphi}$ says. (On $I_{\mathbb{Q}^{\bar{\varphi}_\alpha}}, I_{\mathbb{Q}}^{ex}$ see [4].)

Proof. We choose by induction on $\alpha < \omega_1$, a pair $(\mathbb{P}_\alpha, \Gamma_\alpha)$ such that:

- (α) $\mathbb{P}_\alpha \subseteq \mathbb{P}$ is countable
- (β) Γ_α is a countable family of predense subsets of \mathbb{P}_α

- (γ) if $\mathcal{I} \in \Gamma_\alpha$ and $p \in \mathbb{P}_\alpha$ and $n < \omega$ then for some q we have $p \leq_n q \in \mathbb{P}_\alpha$ and \mathcal{I} is predense above q in \mathbb{P}
- (δ) \mathbb{P}_α is increasing continuous in α
- (ε) Γ_α is increasing continuous in α .

Case 1: $\alpha = 0$. Trivial.

Case 2: $\alpha = \beta + 1$, β non-limit or $(\mathbb{P}_\beta, \Gamma_\beta) \notin M_\beta$.

Let $(\mathbb{P}_\alpha, \Gamma_\alpha) = (\mathbb{P}_\beta, \Gamma_\beta)$.

Case 3: α limit.

Let $(\mathbb{P}_\alpha, \Gamma_\alpha) = \left(\bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} \mathbb{P}_\beta, \bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} \Gamma_\beta \right)$.

Case 4: $\alpha = \delta + 1$ where δ is a limit ordinal and $(\mathbb{P}_\delta, \Gamma_\delta) \in M_\delta$.

We can find $g \subseteq \text{Levy}(\aleph_0, |\mathbb{P}|)^{M_\delta}$, generic over M_δ such that η_δ^* is still \mathbb{Q}_δ -generic over $M_\delta[g]$ (see [4, §6]).

In $M_\delta[g]$ we define $\mathbb{P}_\delta^+ = \{p: M_\delta[g] \models p \in \mathbb{P} \text{ and } \mathcal{I} \in \Gamma_\alpha \Rightarrow \mathcal{I} \text{ predense above } p\}$, using the induction hypothesis, as in $M_\delta[g]$ the set Γ_δ is countable, so:

(*) for every $p \in \mathbb{P}_\delta$ and $n < \omega$ there is $p' \in \mathbb{P}_\delta^+$ such that $\mathbb{P} \models p \leq_n p'$.

Again by [4, §6] for every $n < \omega$ and $p \in \mathbb{P}_\delta^+$, there is $q_{p,n} \in \mathbb{P}$ such that $p \leq_n q_{p,n} \in \mathbb{P}$, $q_{p,n}$ is $(M_\delta[g], \mathbb{Q})$ -generic and $q_{p,n} \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}} \text{“}\nu_\delta \text{ is a } (\mathbb{Q}_\delta, \eta_\delta)\text{-generic real over } M_\delta[g][\mathbb{G}_{\mathbb{P}}]\text{”}$.

Let $\mathbb{P}_{\delta+1} = \mathbb{P}_\delta \cup \{q_{p,n}: p \in \mathbb{P}_\delta^+ \text{ and } n < \omega\}$ and $\Gamma_{\delta+1} = \Gamma_\delta \cup \{\mathcal{I}_\delta\}$ where $\mathcal{I}_\delta = \{q_{p,n}: p \in \mathbb{P}_\delta^+ \text{ and } n < \omega\}$. □_{1.18}

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