

A certain generalization of SPFA to higher cardinals.

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Abstract

Itay Neeman found in [6] a new way of iterating proper forcing notions and extended it in [7] to \aleph_2 . In [4] his construction for \aleph_1 ([6]) was generalized to semi-proper forcing notions. We continue here [4] and extend the construction to higher cardinals still using finite conditions. In the final model a weak form of SPFA will hold.

1 Basic definitions and main results

The following two definitions are due to S. Shelah [8].

Definition 1.1 A forcing notion Q is called a $\{\eta\}$ -proper iff for every $M \prec \langle H(\chi), \in, < \rangle$ of a size η with $Q \in M$ the following holds:

for every $q \in M$ there is $p \geq q$ which is (M, Q) -generic, i.e. $p \Vdash ((M[\mathcal{G}])^V = M)$.

If Q is $\{\eta'\}$ -proper for every regular cardinal $\eta' \leq \eta$, then we call Q a $\{\leq \eta\}$ -proper.

Definition 1.2 A forcing notion Q is called a $\{\eta\}$ -semi-proper iff for every

$M \prec \langle H(\chi), \in, < \rangle$ of a size η with $Q \in M$ the following holds:

for every $q \in M$ there is $p \geq q$ which is (M, Q) -semi-generic, i.e. $p \Vdash (M[\mathcal{G}] \cap \eta^+ = M \cap \eta^+)$.

If Q is $\{\eta'\}$ -proper for every regular cardinal $\eta' \leq \eta$, then we call Q a $\{\leq \eta\}$ -semi-proper.

Remark 1.3 Further we will use a bit weaker notions. Instead of arbitrary M 's in Definitions 1.1,1.2 we restrict ourself to models closed under $< \eta$ -sequences in GCH situations and once GCH breaks down - to models which are generic extensions of closed under $< \eta$ -sequences models from the ground model which satisfies GCH.

Dealing with finite \in -increasing sequences closed under intersections, as it was done in [5], [6] and worked fine at \aleph_1 , seems to be problematic here in context of larger cardinals. The problems appear already at \aleph_2 , i.e. once models of cardinalities \aleph_0 and \aleph_1 are around.

The basic problem is with $\{\aleph_0\}$ -properness. The proof of it requires kind of nice restrictions of conditions to a countable submodel which may not exist now.

We will follow the intuition of [3] and use instead of \in -increasing sequences closed under intersections – finite structures with pistes from [3].

Definition 1.4 Let \mathcal{A} be a finite structure with pistes (see [3]) and Q a forcing notion such that $Q \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}$. We call a condition $p \in Q$ (\mathcal{A}, Q) -generic iff p is (A, Q) -generic for every $A \in \mathcal{A}$.

Definition 1.5 A forcing notion Q is called $\leq \eta$ -piste structures proper (or just piste proper) iff for every finite structure with pistes \mathcal{A} which consists of models of cardinalities $\leq \eta$ with $Q \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}$ the following holds:

for every $q \in Q \cap \bigcap \mathcal{A}$ there is $p \geq q$ which is (\mathcal{A}, Q) -generic.

Definition 1.6 Let Q be a $\leq \eta$ -piste structures proper forcing, \mathcal{A} a finite structure with pistes which consists of models of cardinalities $\leq \eta$ with $Q \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}$. Let p be (\mathcal{A}, Q) -generic. We call p a minimal generic for \mathcal{A} if for every \mathcal{B} which extends \mathcal{A} (in sense of [3]) there is $q \geq p$ which is (\mathcal{B}, Q) -generic.

Remark 1.7 It is possible to weaken a bit the requirement to an existence of $q \geq p$ which is (\mathcal{B}, Q) -generic, for every \mathcal{B} which extends \mathcal{A} which has the same countable models as \mathcal{A} has.

Definition 1.8 A forcing notion Q is called $\leq \eta$ -strongly piste structures proper (or just strongly piste proper) iff it is $\leq \eta$ -piste structures proper and for every a finite structure with pistes \mathcal{A} which consists of models of cardinalities $\leq \eta$ with $Q \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}$, for every (\mathcal{A}, Q) -generic condition q there are $p \geq q$ and a finite structure with pistes \mathcal{B} which extends \mathcal{A} such that p is a minimal generic for \mathcal{B} .

Remark 1.9 1. Note that in the original Neeman setting at \aleph_1 [6] or at those of [4] there was no problem to find a common generic or semi-generic condition for \in -increasing sequences of models, since only countable models or models of inaccessible cardinalities were involved. In present situation starting with \aleph_2 , there are also models of size \aleph_1 . This complicates the matter. Thus let for example Q be the Levy collapse of ω_3 to ω_2 . Define a sequence A_0, A_1, A_2, A_3 of elementary submodels such that

- (a) A_3 is countable,

- (b) $A_i, i \leq 2$ are of size \aleph_1 ,
- (c) $A_0 \in A_1 \in A_2 \in A_3$,
- (d) $A_3 \cap A_2 \subseteq A_0$ and $\sup(A_3 \cap A_2 \cap \omega_2) = \sup(A_0 \cap \omega_2)$,
- (e) there is no $p \in Q$ which is a generic simultaneously over each of A_i 's.

Assume CH. Pick any $A_2 \preceq H(\chi)$, for a regular χ large enough, which is a limit of increasing continuous sequence of the length \aleph_1 of elementary submodels of $H(\chi)$ each of size \aleph_1 . Let $A_3 \prec H(\chi)$ with $A_2 \in A_3$ and the sequence in A_3 as well. Then $A_2 \cap A_3 \in A_2$ and there is a model A of the sequence such that $A_3 \cap A_2 \subseteq A$ and $\sup(A_3 \cap A_2 \cap \omega_2) = \sup(A \cap \omega_2)$. Let $A_0 = A$.

Now let choose A_1 .

Pick a sequence $\langle A^i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle \in A_2$ such that

- for every $i < \omega_1$, $|A^i| = \aleph_1$,
- for every $i < \omega_1$, $A_0 \in A^i$,
- for every $i, j < \omega_1$, $A_i \cap \omega_2 = A_j \cap \omega_2$
- for every $i, j < \omega_1$, $i \neq j \Rightarrow A_i \cap \omega_3 \neq A_j \cap \omega_3$.

Set $\delta = A^0 \cap \omega_2$. Consider the set $S = \{f''\delta \mid f \in Q \cap A_3\}$. Then S a countable set of subsets of ω_3 . Pick $i < \omega_1$ such that $A^i \cap \omega_3 \notin S$. Set $A_1 = A^i$.

Now suppose that there is $p \in Q$ which is Q -generic over each $A_i, i \leq 3$. Then $p \upharpoonright A_2 \cap \omega_2 \in A_3$, since $A_2 \in A_3$. Hence $p''\delta \in S$, and so $p''\delta \neq A_1 \cap \omega_3$. This prevents p from being generic over A_1 .

2. It is possible to weaken a little applying restrictions of 1.3.

A combination of Neeman's ideas from [6] with a models produced in [3] allows to show the following:

Theorem 1.10 *Let κ be a supercompact cardinal and $\eta < \kappa$ be a regular cardinal. Then in a forcing extension which preserves all the cardinals $\leq \eta^+$ and turns κ into η^{++} the $\leq \eta$ -strongly puste structures PFA holds, i.e. for every $\leq \eta$ -strongly puste structures proper forcing notion Q and for every collection \mathcal{D} of $\leq \eta^+$ dense subsets of Q there is a filter on Q that meets all of them.*

We will proceed here by replacing properness by a certain variation of semi-properness.

Definition 1.11 A forcing notion Q is called $\leq \eta$ -*piste structures semi-proper* (or just *piste semi-proper*) iff for every finite structure with pistes \mathcal{A} which consists of models of cardinalities $\leq \eta$ with $Q \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}$ the following holds:

for every $q \in Q \cap \bigcap \mathcal{A}$ there is $p \geq q$ which is (\mathcal{A}, Q) -semi-generic, i.e. for every $A \in \mathcal{A}$, p is (A, Q) -semi-generic. We call such p further (\mathcal{A}, Q) -*semi-generic*.

Definition 1.12 Let Q be a $\leq \eta$ -piste structures almost proper forcing, \mathcal{A} a finite structure with pistes which consists of models of cardinalities $\leq \eta$ with $Q \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}$. Let p be (\mathcal{A}, Q) -semi-generic. We call p a *minimal semi-generic for \mathcal{A}* if for every \mathcal{B} which extends \mathcal{A} (in sense of [3]) there is $q \geq p$ which is (\mathcal{B}, Q) -semi-generic.

Definition 1.13 A forcing notion Q is called $\leq \eta$ -*strongly piste structures semi-proper* (or just *strongly piste semi-proper*) iff it is $\leq \eta$ -piste structures semi-proper and for every a finite structure with pistes \mathcal{A} which consists of models of cardinalities $\leq \eta$ with $Q \in \bigcap \mathcal{A}$, for every (\mathcal{A}, Q) - semi-generic condition q there are $p \geq q$ and a finite structure with pistes \mathcal{B} which extends \mathcal{A} such that p is a minimal semi-generic for \mathcal{B} .

Our purpose will be to show the following:

Theorem 1.14 *Let κ be a supercompact cardinal and $\eta < \kappa$ be a regular cardinal. Then in a forcing extension which preserves all the cardinals $\leq \eta^+$ and turns κ into η^{++} the $\{\leq \eta\}$ -strongly piste structures semi-proper SPFA holds, i.e. for every $\{\leq \eta\}$ -strongly piste structures semi-proper forcing notion Q and for every collection \mathcal{D} of $\leq \eta^+$ dense subsets of Q there is a filter on Q that meets all of them.*

Our prime interest was to try to apply this to certain variations of the forcing of [1] for sealing antichains. We had in mind the following variation of the sealing antichains forcing for a regular $\eta > \omega$. First we restrict ourself only to stationary subsets of η^+ consisting of ordinals of cofinality η . Second instead of using the Levy collapse and forcing a club into diagonal union by approximations of length η , we force both by finite conditions. Unfortunately the combination of this two forcings is not $\{\leq \eta\}$ -strongly piste structures semi-proper.

2 Forcing conditions

We deal here with $\eta = \aleph_1$ -case. The treatment of the general case is similar.

Let κ be a Mahlo cardinal. Fix an increasing continuous chain $\langle \mathfrak{M}_\alpha \mid \alpha < \kappa \rangle$ of $V_{\kappa+1}$ such that

1. $|\mathfrak{M}_\alpha| < \kappa$,
2. $\mathfrak{M}_\alpha \cap V_\kappa = V_{\kappa_\alpha}$, for some $\kappa_\alpha < \kappa$,
3. if κ_α is a regular cardinal, then it is an inaccessible,
4. κ_0 and each $\kappa_{\alpha+1}$ are inaccessible cardinals.

The following notion was introduced in [4]:

Definition 2.1 Suppose that $\langle P_\alpha, Q_\beta \mid \alpha \leq \kappa, \beta < \kappa \rangle$ is an iteration with initial segments in V_κ . Let $A \preceq V_\kappa$ and $X \in V_\kappa$.

We say α is *reachable from A in 0-steps* iff $\alpha \in A$. Define α is reachable from A in 1-step iff there are $\nu \in A \cap \alpha$ with $P_\nu \in A$ and $p \in P_\nu$, $p \Vdash_{P_\nu} \alpha \in A[\mathcal{G}(P_\nu)]$. Call such p and ν a *1-step reachability witnesses for α* . Continue by induction. α is reachable from A in $n + 1$ -steps iff there are n -steps reachability witnesses $\langle \langle p_k, \nu_k \rangle \mid k \leq n \rangle$, $\nu < \alpha$ and $p \in P_\nu$ such that

1. $p_i \in P_{\nu_i}$, for every $i \leq n$,
2. $p_i \leq p_j \upharpoonright \nu_i$, for all $i \leq j \leq n$,
3. $\nu_i < \nu_j < \nu$, for all $i < j \leq n$,
4. p_i, ν_i are a 1-step reachability witnesses for ν_{i+1} with model $A[\mathcal{G}(P_{\nu_{i-1}})]$, if $i > 0$ or with A , if $i = 0$, for every $i < n$,
5. $p_n \Vdash_{P_{\nu_n}} \nu, P_\nu \in A[\mathcal{G}(P_{\nu_n})]$,
6. $p \upharpoonright \nu_n \geq p_n$,
7. $p \Vdash_{P_\nu} \alpha \in A[\mathcal{G}(P_\nu)]$.

Let us call α *is reachable from A* iff for some $n < \omega$, α is reachable from A in n -steps.

Given some $q \in P_\kappa$, let us define reachability from A relatively to q similar only requiring that witnesses extend q .

If $X \in V_\kappa$, then X *is reachable from A* iff $\text{rank}(X)$ and $f_{\text{rank}(X)}(X)$ are reachable from A , where $f_\xi : V_\xi \leftrightarrow |V_\xi|$ is some fixed in advance well ordering.

Remark 2.2 The only reachable ordinals from A will be members of A , once forcing notions under the consideration are proper instead of semi-proper.

Let us define now the forcing. The definition is similar to those of [4] with some modifications made in order to deal with the present situation.

Definition 2.3 Define by induction on $\tau \leq \kappa$ an iteration $\langle P_\alpha, \mathcal{Q}_\beta \mid \alpha \leq \tau, \beta < \tau \rangle$.

1. If $\tau = \tau' + 1$ and $\kappa_{\tau'}$ is a singular, then let $P_\tau = P_{\tau'} * \text{Cohen}(\omega)$ (or just let $\mathcal{Q}_{\tau'}$ to be trivial).
2. If τ is a limit ordinal or if $\tau = \tau' + 1$ and $\kappa_{\tau'}$ is a regular, then set $p = \langle p_\beta \mid \beta < \tau \rangle \in P_\tau$ iff

(a) for each $\gamma < \tau$, with κ_γ regular, we have

- i. $p \upharpoonright \gamma = \langle p_\beta \mid \beta < \gamma \rangle \in P_\gamma$,
- ii. $p \upharpoonright \gamma \Vdash \mathcal{Q}_\gamma$ is a semi-proper forcing notion and $|\mathcal{Q}_\gamma| \leq \kappa_{\gamma+1}$.

(b) There are three finite sets $s(p), j(p)$ and $m(p)$ (this sets can be read from p except when τ is a singular) such that

i. $s(p) \subseteq \tau$ called the *support* of p is such that for each $\gamma \in s(p)$

$$p \upharpoonright \gamma \Vdash p_\gamma \in \mathcal{Q}_\gamma,$$

ii. $j(p) \subseteq \tau$ called the *jumps* of p .

This will be places in p where change of sequences of models will be allowed.

iii. $m(p) = \{A_0, \dots, A_{k(p)-1}\}$, $k(p) < \omega$, is a finite set called the *models* of p .

Let us state the requirements on $m(p)$. For every $i < k(p)$ the following hold:

A. $A_i \in V$,

B. $|A_i| = \aleph_0$ or $|A_i| = \aleph_1$ or $A_i = V_\delta$ for some inaccessible $\delta < \kappa_\tau$,

C. for every $i < k(p), s, 1 \leq s \leq n_i$,

$A_i \prec V_{\kappa_\tau}$, if κ_τ is an inaccessible,

and $A_i \prec V_{\kappa_{\tau+1}}$, otherwise, i.e. whenever τ is a limit ordinal and κ_τ is a singular cardinal,

(c) For each $\gamma < \tau$ let us specify a sequence of models based on a set of models from $m(p)$ which will stand over the coordinate γ .

Let $\gamma < \tau$. Take all models $A \in m(p)$ such that

$p \upharpoonright \gamma \Vdash_{P_\gamma} \kappa_\gamma, P_\gamma, \mathcal{Q}_\gamma$ are reachable from A .

Denote the set of all such models by \tilde{A}''_γ .

Let $G(P_\gamma) \subseteq P_\gamma$ be a generic with $p \upharpoonright \gamma \in G(P_\gamma)$. Set $\tilde{A}'_\gamma = \{A[G(P_\gamma)] \cap$

$V_{\kappa_{\gamma+1}}[G(P_\gamma)] \mid A \in \tilde{A}''_\gamma, \kappa_{\gamma+1} \in A[G(P_\gamma)]\} \cup \{A[G(P_\gamma)] \mid A \in \tilde{A}''_\gamma, A[G(P_\gamma)] \subseteq V_{\kappa_{\gamma+1}}[G(P_\gamma)]\}$. Let \tilde{A}_γ be the set obtained from \tilde{A}'_γ by adding to it all intersections of countable members of \tilde{A}'_γ with uncountable ones.

Back in V , let $\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_\gamma$ be a name of such \tilde{A}_γ .

We require the following:

- i. $p \upharpoonright \gamma \Vdash_{P_\gamma}$ the set $\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_\gamma$ is a structure with pistes in sense of [3].
 - ii. If $\gamma \in s(p)$, then $p \upharpoonright \gamma \Vdash_{P_\gamma} p_\gamma$ is a minimal semi-generic for $(\mathcal{Q}_\gamma, \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_\gamma[G(P_\gamma)])$.
- (d) (Jumps) Suppose that for some $\gamma < \tau, k, l < \omega$ we have $p \upharpoonright \gamma \Vdash_{P_\gamma} \mathcal{A}_{\gamma 0}[G(P_\gamma)], \mathcal{A}_{\gamma 1}[G(P_\gamma)] \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_\gamma[G(P_\gamma)], \mathcal{A}_{\gamma 0}[G(P_\gamma)] \in \mathcal{A}_{\gamma 1}[G(P_\gamma)]$ and $|\mathcal{A}_{\gamma 1}[G(P_\gamma)]| < |\mathcal{A}_{\gamma 0}[G(P_\gamma)]|$.

Let $\gamma^* \leq \gamma$ be the maximal element of $j(p)$ below γ , if exists or 0 otherwise. Let $A \in m(p)$ be any model such that $\mathcal{A}_{\gamma 1}$ is obtained from A , as in (2c) above (i.e. as a member of \tilde{A}'_γ or \tilde{A}_γ , forced by $p \upharpoonright \gamma$). Pick the least element $\gamma^{**} \geq \gamma^*$ which is reachable from A . We require that there is $B \in m(p)$ such that

- i. $p \upharpoonright \gamma \Vdash_{P_\gamma} \mathcal{A}_{\gamma 0}$ can be obtained from B , as in (2c) above.
- ii. $p \upharpoonright \gamma \Vdash_{P_{\gamma^{**}}} B \in A[G(P_{\gamma^{**}})]$.

In particular, if $j(p) \cap \gamma + 1 = \emptyset$, then just $B \in A$.

Definition 2.4 Let $\tau \leq \kappa$ and let $p = \langle p_\beta \mid \beta < \tau \rangle, p' = \langle p'_\beta \mid \beta < \tau \rangle \in P_\kappa$. Set $p \geq p'$ (p is stronger than p') iff

1. $m(p) \supseteq m(p')$,
2. $s(p) \supseteq s(p')$,
3. $j(p) \supseteq j(p')$,
4. for every $\beta \in s(p')$ we have $p \upharpoonright \beta \Vdash_{P_\beta} p_\beta \geq_{\mathcal{Q}_\beta} p'_\beta$,

Let us start with a following lemma.

Lemma 2.5 Let Q be an $\{\omega, \omega_1\}$ -semi proper forcing. Let A, B be elementary submodels of cardinalities \aleph_0 and \aleph_1 respectively such that ${}^\omega B \subseteq B, Q \in A, B$ and $B \in A$. Then for every $q \in Q \cap A \cap B$ and every $p \geq q$ which is semi-generic for both A and B , we have

$$p \Vdash A[G(Q)] \cap B[G(Q)] = (A \cap B)[G(Q)].$$

Remark 2.6 1. A special kind of reflection of A into B was needed in [4] in the argument that κ remains a cardinal, and a similar argument will be used here with ω replaced by ω_1 . In present situation - once A is countable and B has cardinality \aleph_1 it looks impossible make such reflections once $Q \not\subseteq B$. The lemma allows us to use a simple reflection over $A \cap B$ of A to some $A' \in B$ instead. Then $A \cap B = A' \cap B'$, where B' is the image of B under the isomorphism between A and A' . So

$$A[G(Q)] \cap B[G(Q)] = (A \cap B)[G(Q)] = (A' \cap B')[G(Q)],$$

and the intersection is handled from inside of B .

The splitting property of Q will be used in order to generate A, A' -generic conditions.

2. Let $G(Q)$ be a generic subset of Q with $p \in G(Q)$. Note that $(A \cap B)[G(Q)] \cap \omega_1 \subseteq A[G(Q)] \cap \omega_1 = A \cap \omega_1$ and $(A \cap B)[G(Q)] \cap \omega_1 \subseteq B[G(Q)] \cap \omega_1 = B \cap \omega_1$. Hence $(A \cap B)[G(Q)] \cap \omega_1 \subseteq A \cap B \cap \omega_1$. So $(A \cap B)[G(Q)] \cap \omega_1 = A \cap B \cap \omega_1$. Which means that p is $A \cap B$ -semi-generic.
3. It follows from the lemma that $A[G(Q)] \cap B[G(Q)] \in B[G(Q)]$, since $A \cap B \in B$ (just B is closed under ω -sequences which are in V) and so $(A \cap B)[G(Q)] \in B[G(Q)]$. Note that $B[G(Q)]$ need not be closed under ω -sequences. Just, for example take Q to be the Cohen forcing adding ω_2 -Cohen reals.

Proof. Let $G(Q) \subseteq Q$ generic with $p \in G(Q)$.

Clearly $A[G(Q)] \cap B[G(Q)] \supseteq (A \cap B)[G(Q)]$, for every generic $G(Q) \subseteq Q$.

Let us prove the opposite direction. Let $\alpha \in A[G(Q)] \cap B[G(Q)]$. So there is a Q -name $\underline{\alpha} \in B$ such that $\alpha = \underline{\alpha}_{G(Q)}$. Then, by elementarity,

$$A[G(Q)] \models (\exists \underline{\alpha} \in B \quad \underline{\alpha}_{G(Q)} = \alpha).$$

Pick such a name $\underline{\alpha}$ of α in $(A[G(Q)])^V$. Recall that $|B| = \aleph_1$. So there is $\langle x_\tau \mid \tau < \omega_1 \rangle$ an enumeration of B in A . By ω -semi-properness we have $A[G(Q)] \cap \omega_1 = A \cap \omega_1$. Hence no elements of B can appear in $A[G(Q)] \setminus A$. In particular $\underline{\alpha} \in A$. Hence $\alpha = \underline{\alpha}_{G(Q)} \in (A \cap B)[G(Q)]$.

□

In a general case (i.e. $\eta \geq \omega_1$) we use the following observation:

Lemma 2.7 *Suppose that Q be an $\leq \eta$ -piste structures semi proper forcing. Let A be a countable elementary submodel, $Q \in A$. Then for every $q \in Q \cap A$ there is $p \geq q$ which is $\leq \eta$ -semi-generic for A , i.e.*

$$p \Vdash A[\mathcal{G}(Q)] \cap \eta^+ = A \cap \eta^+.$$

Proof. Let $n^* < \omega$. Suppose that Q is $\leq \omega_{n^*}$ -semi-proper. We show by induction that for every $n \leq n^*$, there is $p_n \geq q$ such that

$$p_n \Vdash A[\mathcal{G}(Q)] \cap \omega_{n+1} = A \cap \omega_{n+1}.$$

Start with $n = 1$. Use the fact that for each term (Skolem function) t , $\sup(t''\omega_1) \in A$. Hence, if $A_1 = \text{Hull}(A \cup \omega_1)$ then $A_1 \cap \omega_2 = \sup(A \cap \omega_2)$. Now if $p_1 \geq q$ is both $\{\omega\}$ -semi-generic for A and $\{\omega_1\}$ -semi-generic for A_1 , then

$$p_1 \Vdash A[\mathcal{G}(Q)] \cap \omega_2 = A \cap \omega_2.$$

Piste structures semi properness provides such p_1 , since $\{A, A_1\}$ is (or easily generates) a structure with pistes.

At stage n the same argument works only we will need $p_n \geq q$ which is now simultaneously semi-generic for models $A \subseteq A_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq A_n$, where $A_k = \text{Hull}(A \cup \omega_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. Again $A_k \cap \omega_k = \sup(A \cap \omega_k)$.

The case $\eta \geq \omega_\omega$ is treated similar.

□

Next three lemmas deal with semi properness and their proofs are similar to those of [4].

Lemma 2.8 *The forcing P_α is $\{\omega\}$ -semi-proper (i.e. semi-proper) for every $\alpha \leq \kappa$.*

Proof. Let $M \prec H(\chi)$ be a countable elementary submodel, $r \in P_\kappa$ and $r, P_\kappa \in M$, for some $\chi > \kappa$ large enough. Extend r to a condition r^* by adding M to every sequence in $m(r)$ (as the largest model under \in). We claim that $r^* \restriction \alpha$ is P_α -semi-generic over M , for every $\alpha \leq \kappa, \alpha \in M$. Let us prove this by induction on α . Let $p \geq r^* \restriction \alpha, p \in P_\alpha$ and $\mu \in M$ a P_α -name of a countable ordinal.

It is enough to find some \tilde{p} which is compatible with p and forces $\mu \in M \cap \omega_1$.

Case 1. α is a successor ordinal or α is a limit ordinal and there are ordinals in $M \cap \alpha$ above $s(p) \cup j(p)$.

Let $\eta = \alpha'$, if $\alpha = \alpha' + 1$ and if α is a limit ordinal, then let η be the first element $M \cap \alpha$ of above members of $s(p) \cup j(p)$.

Force with P_η . Let G_η be generic with $p \upharpoonright \eta \in G_\eta$. By induction, $M[G_\eta] \cap \omega_1 = M \cap \omega_1$.

Work in $(M[G_\eta])^V$ (i.e. the ground model of $M[G_\eta]$; note that it may be bigger than M , need not be in V , but it is equal to $M[G_\eta] \cap V$) pick an extension r' of $r \upharpoonright \alpha$ such that $m(r')$ includes the restrictions to $(M[G_\eta])^V$ of sequences of $m(p)$. Recall that there are only finitely many models that are involved in this sequences and all relevant ones are in $(M[G_\eta])^V$ by the choice of η .

Consider the set $D_\eta = \{t \in P_\eta \mid \exists t' \in P_\alpha \text{ such that } t' \upharpoonright \eta = t \in P_\alpha, t' \geq r' \text{ and it decides } \mu\}$. D_η is in $(M[G_\eta])^V$ and is dense in P_η . Pick some $t \in G_\eta \cap D_\eta$ in $M[G_\eta]$. Let $t' \in (M[G_\eta])^V$ be a witness forcing μ to be some $\nu < \omega_1$. Then $\nu \in M[G_\eta] \cap \omega_1 = M \cap \omega_1$.

Let us argue that t' is compatible with p . The only problem that may lead to incompatibility is that for some $\beta \in \alpha \setminus s(p)$ we have $\beta \in s(t')$ and t'_β is not semi-generic for some countable model of p_β . Consider such β . Then β must be one of the coordinates of t' , since t was in G_η which is generic for P_η . Remember that $t' \in (M[G_\eta])^V$ and hence $t'_\beta \in (M[G_\eta])^V$ as well. By the definition of order the model M (and actually, $M[G_\eta]$) appears among models of p_β . The part of p_β which consists of elements of M^{P_β} is in fact included into r'_β . But t'_β is Q_β -semi-generic for every countable model of r'_β , and hence of the part of p_β below M^{P_β} . Also $t'_\beta \in (M[G_\eta])^V$, since there are only finitely many places where $s(r')$ is increased and so all of them are inside $(M[G_\eta])^V$. Now everything follows, since p_β is \in -increasing, closed under intersections sequence with M inside and Q_β is a semi-proper forcing. Note that there may be a need to add η to the set of jumps, once some of models of t' are in $(M[G_\eta])^V \setminus M$. Now everything follows, since p_β is a structure with pistes with M inside and Q_β is a $\{\leq \aleph_1\}$ -strongly piste structures semi-proper forcing.

Case 2. α is a limit ordinal and the ordinals of $M \cap \alpha$ are bounded below $\max(s(p) \cup j(p))$.

By extending p if necessary we can assume that $\max(s(p))$ is above $j(p)$.

A new point here relatively to the iteration of proper forcing notions is that a generic extension $M[G_\alpha]$ can have new ordinals (i.e. ordinals not in M) even if $M[G_\alpha] \cap \omega_1 = M \cap \omega_1$. If $\alpha < \omega_2$, then the treatment of semi-proper and proper cases is identical, but if $\alpha \geq \omega_2$, then in a semi-proper case $M[G_\alpha] \setminus M$ may have ordinals in $s(p)$.

If no ordinal ζ , $\min(s(p) \setminus M) \leq \zeta < \alpha$ is reachable from M (relatively to p), then take η to be an element of $M \cap \alpha$ above $M \cap s(p)$ and repeat the argument of the previous case.

Otherwise find some $n < \omega$, $\xi < \alpha$ and $q \in P_\xi$ compatible with $p \upharpoonright P_\xi$ which witness reachability from M of some $\zeta < \alpha$ in n -steps and so that $s(p) \subseteq \zeta$ or no element of

$\geq \min(s(p) \setminus \zeta + 1)$ is reachable relatively to q . Suppose for simplicity that $n = 1$. The treatment of the general case is similar.

Then $\xi \in M$, by the definition of reachability witnesses. Force with P_ξ . Let G_ξ be a generic with $p \upharpoonright \xi, q \in G_\xi$. By induction, $M[G_\xi] \cap \omega_1 = M \cap \omega_1$. We have $\zeta \in M[G_\xi]$.

Work in $V[G_\xi]$. Take $\eta = \zeta$ and repeat the argument of Case 1. The requirement (2d) of 2.3 applies in order to deal with elements of $j(p)$ which are below $\sup(M \cap \alpha)$, but not in $M[G_\eta]$ (if any).

Let us clarify the point that does not occur in Case 1.

There are ordinals ξ in $s(p)$ above η . Now we extend inside M in order to decide μ . As a result models which belong to M may be added. There is no problem with countable models and those of inaccessible size, since the former are contained in M , and so ξ and then \mathcal{Q}_ξ do not belong to them which implies that there are no requirements about genericity. There are no genericity requirements for models of inaccessible size. But once a model B of size \aleph_1 is added, then ξ may belong to B . Thus let, for simplicity $\alpha = \omega_1$. Suppose $\xi \in M \cap \omega_1$. Then $\xi \in B$, for every B of size \aleph_1 . So why q_ξ and B are not contradictory?

The reason is that q_ξ is minimal semi-generic. Here is the only place where the minimality is used. We apply 2(c)ii of Definition 2.3.

□

Lemma 2.9 *The forcing P_α is $\{\omega_1\}$ -semi proper for every $\alpha \leq \kappa$.*

Proof. Let $M \prec H(\chi)$ be an elementary submodel of cardinality \aleph_1 , $r \in P_\alpha$ and $r, P_\alpha \in M$, for some $\chi > \kappa$ large enough. Extend r to a condition r^* by adding M to every sequence in $m(r)$ (as the largest model under \in). We claim that r^* is P_α -semi-generic over M , for every $\alpha \leq \kappa, \alpha \in M$. Let us prove this by induction on α . Let $p \geq r^*$ and $\mu \in M$ a P_α -name of an ordinal less than ω_2 . It is enough to find some \tilde{p} which is compatible with p and forces $\mu \in M \cap \omega_2$. We can assume without loss of generality that p decides μ . Just extend it to such condition if necessary. Also assume that there is a countable model A which maximal (\in) in $m(p)$, i.e. for every $B \in m(p)$, either $B \in A$ or $B = A$.

Case 1. α is a successor ordinal or α is a limit ordinal and there are ordinals in $M \cap \alpha$ above $s(p)$ and $j(p)$.

Let $\eta = \alpha'$, if $\alpha = \alpha' + 1$ and if α is a limit ordinal, then let η be the first element $M \cap \alpha$ of above members of $s(p) \cup j(p)$.

Force with P_η . Let G_η be generic with $p \upharpoonright \eta \in G_\eta$. By induction, $M[G_\eta] \cap \omega_2 = M \cap \omega_2$.

Reflect A to some $A' \in (M[G_\eta])^V$ over $A \cap M$. Recall that by Lemma 2.8 we have $A[G_\eta] \cap$

$M[G_\eta] = (A \cap M)[G_\eta]$. Use the isomorphism $\pi_{AA'}$ between A and A' to move the part of p above η down into A' . Let p' be the result. The reflection is strong enough to insure that p' decides μ_{G_η} . Also, $p' \upharpoonright \eta \in G_\eta$. Now $p' \in (M[G_\eta])^V$, hence the decided value is in $M[G_\eta] \cap \omega_2 = M \cap \omega_2$.

Set $\tilde{p} = p'$. Then it will be as desired.

Case 2. α is a limit ordinal and the ordinals of $M \cap \alpha$ are bounded below $\max(s(p) \cup j(p))$.

By extending p if necessary we can assume that $\max(s(p))$ is above $j(p)$.

If no ordinal ζ , $\min(s(p) \setminus M) \leq \zeta < \alpha$ is reachable from M (relatively to p), then take η to be an element of $M \cap \alpha$ above $M \cap s(p)$ and repeat the argument of the previous case. Reflect A to some $A' \in (M[G_\eta])^V$ over $A \cap M$. Recall that by Lemma 2.8 we have $A[G_\eta] \cap M[G_\eta] = (A \cap M)[G_\eta]$. Use the isomorphism $\pi_{AA'}$ between A and A' to move the part of p above η down into A' . Let p' be the result.

The reflection here strong enough to insure that p' decides μ_{G_η} . $s(p)$ contains elements outside and even above those reachable from M , but note that once we have $\xi \in s(p) \setminus M$, then $Q_\xi \notin M$ and hence there is no need to worry about q_β being semi-generic over M (and models that belong to it) by Definition 2.4(4). Recall also that M has size \aleph_1 , hence it contains every $B \in M$ of cardinality \aleph_0, \aleph_1 . So, once $Q_\xi \notin M$, then it will not be a member of any such B .

Otherwise find some $n < \omega$, $\xi < \alpha$ and $q \in P_\xi$ compatible with $p \upharpoonright P_\xi$ which witness reachability from M of some $\zeta < \alpha$ in n -steps and so that $s(p) \subseteq \zeta$ or no element of $\geq \min(s(p) \setminus \zeta + 1)$ is reachable relatively to q . Suppose for simplicity that $n = 1$. The treatment of the general case is similar.

Then $\xi \in M$, by the definition of reachability witnesses. Force with P_ξ . Let G_ξ be a generic with $p \upharpoonright \xi, q \in G_\xi$. By induction, $M[G_\xi] \cap \omega_2 = M \cap \omega_2$. We have $\zeta \in M[G_\xi]$.

Work in $V[G_\xi]$. Take $\eta = \zeta$ and proceed again as in Case 1.

□

Lemma 2.10 *The forcing P_κ preserves κ .*

Proof. It repeats the proof of Lemma 1.8 of [4] only replace a countable model A there by a model of cardinality \aleph_1 .

□

Now, if κ is a supercompact and a Laver function $F : \kappa \rightarrow V_\kappa$ supplies semi-proper forcings, then $\{\leq \aleph_1\}$ -strongly pise structure semi-proper SPFA will hold in $V[G(P_\kappa)]$.

3 Some examples of $\{\leq \omega_1\}$ -strongly piste structures semi-proper and proper forcings.

Unfortunately, we do not have many examples. Let us state few that we do have.

3.1 Prikry type forcings.

Prikry, Magidor, Radin and similar forcings are $\{\leq \omega_1\}$ -strongly piste structures semi-proper forcings. The point is that we can just take the intersection of all sets of measures one which are in a given finite piste structure \mathcal{A} . This will produce a minimal semi-generic condition.

Consider the forcing of [2] which changes a cofinality of a measurable cardinal λ to ω_1 without adding new countable sequences of ordinals. This forcing, denote it by Q , is $\leq \aleph_1$ -semi-proper, but there is a stationary set $S \subseteq [H(\chi)]^\omega$ such that for each $A \in S$ we have the following:

1. $A \preceq H(\chi)$,
2. $Q \in A$,
3. for every $q \in A \cap Q$ there is $p \geq q$ such that p is (A, Q) -generic.

This forcing fails to be ω -strongly piste proper, since there are countable models without generic conditions over them. But one can easily redefine the notion and require existence of generic conditions only for models in a stationary set S . Let us call such the result $\leq \aleph_1$ -strongly almost piste proper with respect to S . The proofs of the corresponding iteration lemmas remains the same only in the reflection argument a model from S should be reflected into a model of size \aleph_1 .

3.2 Examples of $\{\leq \omega_1\}$ -strongly piste structures proper forcings

Trivially, c.c.c. forcings are $\{\leq \omega_1\}$ -strongly piste structures proper forcings. But also Cohen forcings for adding subsets to \aleph_1 are such as well.

The next example will be adding of a collapsing function will be added by finite conditions. A variation of the forcing of [3] will be used for this purpose. Let us describe the forcing conditions.

Definition 3.1 Let Q be the set of all finite structures with pistes of length 2 over ω_3 , i.e. the set of all pairs $\langle \langle A^{0\omega}, A^{1\omega}, C^\omega \rangle, \langle A^{0\omega_1}, A^{1\omega_1}, C^{\omega_1} \rangle \rangle$ such that

1. $A^{0\omega_1} \preceq \langle H(\omega_3), \in, \leq \rangle$,
2. $|A^{0\omega_1}| = \aleph_1$,
3. $A^{0\omega_1} \in A^{1\omega_1}$,
4. $A^{1\omega_1}$ is a finite \in -increasing sequence of elementary submodels of $A^{0\omega_1}$ of cardinality \aleph_1 , i.e. basically ordinals,
5. If $B \in A^{1\omega_1}$ and $\text{cof}(B \cap \omega_2) = \omega_1$, then ${}^\omega B \subseteq B$ or, in not CH situation, as stated in 3.3, $B = B'[G(P_\alpha)]$ with $B' \in V$ and $({}^\omega B') \cap V \subseteq B'$.
6. If $X \in A^{1\omega_1}$, $\text{cof}(X \cap \omega_2) = \delta$, then there is an increasing continuous chain $\langle X_i \mid i < \delta \rangle$ of elementary submodels of X such that
 - (a) $\bigcup_{i < \delta} X_i = X$,
 - (b) $X_i \in X$, for every $i < \delta$,
 - (c) $|X_i| = \aleph_1$, for every $i < \delta$.
7. $\text{dom}(C^{\omega_1}) = A^{1\omega_1}$,
8. for every $B \in \text{dom}(C^{\omega_1})$, $C^{\omega_1}(B) = (A^{1\omega_1} \cap B) \cup \{B\}$,
9. If $X \in A^{1\omega_1}$, $\text{cof}(X \cap \omega_2) = \delta$, $A \in A^{1\omega}$ and $X \in A$, then there is an increasing continuous chain $\langle X_i \mid i < \delta \rangle$ of elementary submodels of X such that
 - (a) $\langle X_i \mid i < \delta \rangle \in A$,
 - (b) $\bigcup_{i < \delta} X_i = X$,
 - (c) $X_i \in X$, for every $i < \delta$,
 - (d) $X_A := \bigcup_{i \in A} X_i \in A^{1\omega_1}$.

Note that if $\delta = \omega$, then $X_A = X$.
10. Let $A \in A^{1\omega}$, $X \in A^{1\omega_1}$ and $X \in A$. If $Z \in C^{\omega_1}(X_A)$ (i.e. $Z \in X_A \cap A^{1\omega_1}$), then there is $Z' \in C^{\omega_1}(X_A) \cap A$ such that $Z' \supseteq Z$.
11. Suppose that Y is not the minimal element of $A^{1\omega_1}$. Let Y_0 be its immediate predecessor in $A^{1\omega_1}$. If $X \in A^{1\omega} \cap Y$, then

- $Y_0 \in X$
or
 - $X \in Y_0$
or
 - $X \subset Y_0, X \not\subseteq Y_0$ and then for every $Z \in C^{\omega_1}(Y_0)$ there is $Z' \in C^{\omega_1}(Y_0) \cap X$ such that $Z' \supseteq Z$.
12. If $A \in A^{1\omega}$ and $A \not\subseteq A^{0\omega_1}$, then $A^{0\omega_1} \in A$.
- Let us state requirements on $A^{1\omega}$.
13. $A^{0\omega} \preceq \langle H(\omega_3), \in, \leq \rangle$,
14. $|A^{0\omega}| = \aleph_0$,
15. $A^{0\omega} \in A^{1\omega}$,
16. in not CH situation we require that each member A of $A^{1\omega}$ is of the form $A = A'[G(P_\alpha)]$ with $A' \in V$,
17. if $X, Y \in A^{1\omega}$, then $X \in Y$ iff $X \subsetneq Y$,
18. if $X \in A^{1\omega}$, then X has at most two immediate predecessor in $A^{1\omega}$,
19. $\text{dom}(C^\omega) = A^{1\omega}$,
20. for every $B \in A^{1\omega}$ the following holds:
- (a) $B \in C^\omega(B)$,
 - (b) $C^\omega(B)$ is an \in -chain of models in $A^{1\omega} \cap (B \cup \{B\})$,
 - (c) if $X \in C^\omega(B)$, then $C^\omega(X) = \{Y \in C^\omega(B) \mid Y \in X \cup \{X\}\}$,
 - (d) if B has immediate predecessors in $A^{1\omega}$, then one of them is in $C^\omega(B)$.
21. Let $X \in A^{1\omega}$. Then either
- (a) X is minimal under \in (or equivalently under \supseteq) in $A^{1\omega}$
or
 - (b) X has a unique immediate predecessors in $A^{1\omega}$,
or

(c) X has exactly two immediate predecessors X_0, X_1 in $A^{1\omega}$ and then

- X, X_0, X_1 form a Δ -system triple relatively to some $F_0, F_1 \in A^{1\omega_1}$ which means the following:
 - i. $F_0 \not\subseteq F_1$ (or $F_1 \not\subseteq F_0$),
 - ii. $F_0 \in X_0$ and $F_1 \in X_1$,
 - iii. $X_0 \cap X_1 = X_0 \cap F_0 = X_1 \cap F_1$,
 - iv. the structures

$$\langle X_0, \in X_0 \cap A^{1\omega}, X_0 \cap A^{1\omega_1}, (C^\omega \upharpoonright X_0 \cap A^{1\omega}) \cap X_0, (C^{\omega_1} \upharpoonright X_0 \cap A^{1\omega_1}) \cap X_0 \rangle$$
 and

$$\langle X_1, \in X_1 \cap A^{1\omega}, X_1 \cap A^{1\omega_1}, (C^\omega \upharpoonright X_1 \cap A^{1\omega}) \cap X_1, (C^{\omega_1} \upharpoonright X_1 \cap A^{1\omega_1}) \cap X_1 \rangle$$
 are isomorphic over $X_0 \cap X_1$

Further we will refer to such X as a *splitting point*.

22. If X is a splitting point, X_0, X_1 are its immediate predecessors and $F_0, F_1 \in A^{1\omega_1}$ witness this, then $F_0 \in F_1$ implies that there are no elements of $A^{1\omega_1}$ between X_1 and X . $F_1 \in F_0$ implies that there are no elements of $A^{1\omega_1}$ between X_0 and X .
23. If $X \in A^{1\omega}$, $Y \in A^{1\omega} \cup A^{1\omega_1}$ and $Y \in X$, then Y is a *piste reachable* from X , i.e. there is a finite sequence $\langle X(i) \mid i < n \rangle$ of elements of $A^{1\omega}$ which we call a *piste* leading to Y such that
 - (a) $X = X(0)$,
 - (b) for every $i, 0 < i \leq n$, $X(i) \in C^\omega(X(i-1))$ or $X(i-1)$ has two immediate predecessors $X(i-1)_0, X(i-1)_1$ with $X(i-1)_0 \in C^\omega(X(i-1))$, $X(i) = X(i-1)_1$ and $Y \in X(i-1)_1 \setminus X(i-1)_0$ or $Y = X(i-1)_1$,
 - (c) $Y = X(n)$, if $Y \in A^{1\omega}$ and if $Y \in A^{1\omega_1}$, then $Y \in X(n)$, $X(n)$ and Y is not a member of any element of $X(n) \cap A^{1\omega}$.
24. Let $A, B \in A^{1\omega} \cup A^{1\omega_1}$ and $|A| \neq |B|$. If A is a least model in $A^{1|A|}$ with $B \in A$ and B is a potentially limit point, then A is such as well.
25. Either $A^{0\omega} \in A^{0\omega_1}$ and then $A^{1\omega} \subseteq A^{0\omega_1}$
 or $A^{0\omega_1} \in A^{0\omega}$ and then $A^{1\omega_1} \setminus \{A_{A^{0\omega}}^{0\omega_1}\} \subseteq A^{0\omega}$.
 Or $A^{0\omega} \subseteq A^{0\omega_1}$ and $\sup(A^{0\omega} \cap \omega_2) = \sup(A^{0\omega_1} \cap \omega_2)$.

26. It is allowed that one or both of $A^{1\omega}, A^{1\omega_1}$ are empty.

Define the order on Q .

Definition 3.2 Let $p_0 = \langle \langle A_0^{0\omega}, A_0^{1\omega}, C_0^\omega \rangle, \langle A_0^{0\omega_1}, A_0^{1\omega_1}, C_0^{\omega_1} \rangle \rangle$,
 $p_1 = \langle \langle A_1^{0\omega}, A_1^{1\omega}, C_1^\omega \rangle, \langle A_1^{0\omega_1}, A_1^{1\omega_1}, C_1^{\omega_1} \rangle \rangle$ be in Q .

Then $p_0 \leq p_1$ iff

1. $A_0^{1\omega_1} \subseteq A_1^{1\omega_1}$,
2. $A_0^{1\omega} \subseteq A_1^{1\omega}$,
3. for every $A \in A_0^{1\omega}, C_0^\omega(A) \subseteq C_1^\omega(A)$.

Remark 3.3 Below (Lemma 3.6) the following property will be used:

for models M of cardinality ω_1 and A countable with $M \in A, A \cap M \in M$.

It is automatic once M is closed under ω -sequences. But note that the iteration P_κ adds κ -many reals, so models M in V^{P_α} 's cannot be closed. However we can restrict ourself only to models of the form $B[G(P_\alpha)]$ with $B \in V$ and $({}^\omega B) \cap V \subseteq B$ once $|B| = \aleph_1$. Then Lemma 2.5, 2.6(3) can be applied.

Let us state the intersection properties of models involved in Q . They are just simplified versions of more general intersection properties of [3]. We refer to [3] for the proofs.

Lemma 3.4 Let $\langle \langle A^{0\omega}, A^{1\omega}, C^\omega \rangle, \langle A^{0\omega_1}, A^{1\omega_1}, C^{\omega_1} \rangle \rangle \in Q$ and $A \in A^{1\omega}, B \in A^{1\omega_1}$. Then either $A \in B$ or there is $B' \in A^{1\omega_1} \cap A$ such that $A \cap B = A \cap B'$.

Lemma 3.5 Let $\langle \langle A^{0\omega}, A^{1\omega}, C^\omega \rangle, \langle A^{0\omega_1}, A^{1\omega_1}, C^{\omega_1} \rangle \rangle \in \mathcal{P}(S)$ and $A, B \in A^{1\omega}$. Then either $A = B$ or $A \in B$ or $B \in A$ or there are $X \in A^{1\omega_1} \cap A, A' \in A^{1\omega} \cap (A \cup \{A\})$ such that $A \cap B = A' \cap X$.

Lemma 3.6 Q is $\{\omega_1\}$ -proper forcing.

Proof. Let $M \preceq H(\chi)$ of cardinality \aleph_1 , ${}^\omega M \subseteq M$ (or $M = B[G(P_\alpha)]$ with $B \in V$ and $({}^\omega B) \cap V \subseteq B$, as explained in 3.3), $q \in Q \cap M$. Extend q by adding to it $M \cap H(\omega_3)$ as the largest model. Denote the result by $q \frown M \cap H(\omega_3)$. We claim that $q \frown M \cap H(\omega_3)$ is (M, Q) -generic.

Let $p \geq q \frown M \cap H(\omega_3)$, $D \subseteq Q$ is dense and $D \in M$. Find a condition in $D \cap M$ which is compatible with p .

Extending p if necessary, we can assume that there is countable A in p such that all the rest of p is in A .

Reflect now A to some $A' \in M$ which realizes the same type as A does in a rich enough language over $A \cap M$. Then p will reflect down to some $p' \in M \cap D$. Such p' is compatible with p . Just combine sequences of p' and p into one sequence.

□

Lemma 3.7 *Q is $\{\omega\}$ -proper forcing.*

Proof. Let $M \preceq H(\chi)$ of be countable, $q \in Q \cap M$. Extend q by adding to it $M \cap H(\omega_3)$ as the largest model. Denote the result by $q \frown M \cap H(\omega_3)$. We claim that $q \frown M \cap H(\omega_3)$ is (M, Q) -generic.

Let $p \geq q \frown M \cap H(\omega_3)$, $D \subseteq Q$ is dense and $D \in M$. Find a condition in $D \cap M$ which is compatible with p .

Let $p \upharpoonright M$ be a subsequence of p which consists of the models of p which belong to M . Extend $p \upharpoonright M$ to some $p' \in D \cap M$. Such p' is compatible with p . Just combine sequences of p' and p into one sequence. Note that there was no need to reflect here since if $X \in Y$ implies $X \subset Y$ for models X, Y of a same size. So if for some countable B in p we have $M \cap H(\omega_3) \in B$, then $M \cap H(\omega_3) \subseteq B$ and all the editions made in p' will in B automatically.

□

Lemma 3.8 *The forcing with Q collapses \aleph_3 to \aleph_2 .*

Proof. Let $G \subseteq Q$ generic. Consider the set $X := \{B \mid |B| = \aleph_1, \exists p \in G, B \in p\}$. Let F be a partial function from ω_2 to ω_3^V defined by setting $F(B \cap \omega_2) = \sup(B \cap \omega_3^V)$. It is well defined and has an unbounded range in ω_3^V .

Alternatively, it is possible and probably more convenient to use $H(B \cap \omega_2) = B \cap \omega_3^V$. By genericity $\bigcup \text{ran}(H) = \omega_3^V$.

□

Lemma 3.9 *The forcing Q is $\{\leq \aleph_1\}$ -strongly piste structures proper forcing.*

Proof. Let $\langle A_0, \dots, A_n \rangle$ be a structure with pistes which consists of elementary submodels of $H(\chi)$ of sizes \aleph_0, \aleph_1 with Q inside. Let us show that for every $q \in Q \cap \bigcap_{i \leq n} A_i$ there is $p \geq q$ which is (A_i, Q) -generic for every $i \leq n$.

Extend q by adding to it $A_i \cap H(\omega_3)$, for every $i \leq n$. Let p be the result. By Lemmas 3.6,3.7, p will be (A_i, Q) -generic for each $i \leq n$.

□

Recall that in not CH situation we need to weaken the notion of strongly puste structures proper forcing (Definition 1.5) in order to include Q . It is possible to restrict ourself to this situation using only submodels that are generic extensions of submodels in V .

Remark 3.10 Note that if $B_0, B_1 \prec H(\chi)$ (with χ large enough) of cardinality \aleph_0, \aleph_1 etc. with $Q \in B_0, B_1$ are of a Δ -system type witnessed by F_0, F_1 of inaccessible sizes, then then $B_0 \cap H(2^{|Q|}) = B_1 \cap H(2^{|Q|})$, since $H(2^{|Q|}) \in B_0 \cap B_1$, $H(2^{|Q|}) \subseteq F_0, F_1$ and $B_0 \cap B_1 = B_0 \cap F_0 = B_1 \cap F_1$.

So below we do not need to worry about Δ -system type pairs witnessed by big models. Just they agree far enough to have a common generic for Q .

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