

§3.6 Beavers

We now turn to the task of showing that the definition of K cannot break down for lack of uniqueness.

Our central tool will be the following concept:

Def By a beaver we mean a structure $N = \langle J_\nu^E, \kappa \rangle$ s.t.

- (a) There is a largest cardinal κ in N
- (b) κ is a normal measure on κ in N
- (c) There is a universal weasel W s.t.
 - (i) κ is a cardinal in W
 - (ii) $J_\nu^E = J_\nu^{E^W}$
 - (iii) There is $\pi: W \rightarrow_u W'$.

(Note) It follows easily that N is amenable. If $\langle W, \kappa \rangle$ is simply iterable*, then N is a mouse.

* cf end of the previous section.

To see this, note that if $\pi: W \rightarrow_u W'$, then $E_{\nu}^{W'} = \emptyset$, since otherwise $\langle W|_{\nu}, u \rangle$ would be an s -move. But then $N = \langle J_{\nu}^{E^W}, u \rangle$ is an iterable quasi-memove as defined at the end of §3.1.

Lemma 1 Let $N = \langle J_{\nu}^E, u \rangle$ be a beaver and let W be a weasel satisfying the conditions (i) – (iii) of (c). Let \tilde{W} be a simple iterate of W above u . Then \tilde{W} is as in (c).

Proof

Let W_i ($i \leq 0 \leq \infty$) be the normal iteration from W to \tilde{W} with indices v_i, κ_i . Let $\sigma: W \rightarrow_u W'$. Define an iteration W'_i ($i \leq 0$) of W' with indices v'_i, κ'_i together with maps $\sigma^i: W_i \rightarrow \Sigma_n W'_i$ by induction on $i \leq 0$.

Let π_{ij}, π'_{ij} be the iteration maps for W_i, W'_j resp. We ensure that the following hold:

$$(1) \sigma^i \pi_{hi} = \pi'_{hi} \sigma^h \quad (h \leq i)$$

$$(2) \kappa = \text{crit}(\sigma^i), \text{ where } u \text{ is on } \kappa.$$

(3) $x \in U \longleftrightarrow u \in \sigma^i(x)$ for $x \in P(u) \cap W$

By (2), (3) we conclude:

$$(4) \quad \sigma^i: W_i \xrightarrow{U} W'_i,$$

which proves the claim for $i = 0$.

We define σ^i, u'_i, v'_i inductively:

$$\sigma^0 = \sigma; \quad u'_i, v'_i = \sigma^i(u_i, v_i);$$

$$\sigma^{i+1}(\pi_{i,i+1}(f)(u_i)) = \pi'_{i,i+1} \sigma^i(f)(u'_i)$$

$$\sigma^\lambda \pi_{i,\lambda} = \pi'_{i,\lambda} \sigma^0 \quad (i < \lambda, \text{ limit } \lambda).$$

(1) - (3) are verified by induction on i . The verifications are straightforward. To prove (3) at $i+1$, let $x = \pi'_{i,i+1}(f)(u'_i) \in W'_{i+1}$,

where $f = \sigma^i(g)(u)$. Then

$$x = \pi'_{i,i+1}(\sigma^i(g)(u))(u'_i) =$$

$$= (\pi'_{i,i+1} \sigma^i(g)(u))(u'_i) =$$

$$= (\sigma^{i+1} \pi_{i,i+1}(g)(u))(u'_i),$$

where $u'_i = \sigma^{i+1}(u_i) + q_i$ can be seen by taking $f = \text{id}$ in the def. of σ^{i+1} .

QED (Lemma 1)

Lemma 2 Let $N = \langle J^E, \cup \rangle$ be a beaver.
 Let w be weakly universal and as in
 (c). Let w' be weakly universal with
 $w'|_V = w|_V$. Then w' is as in (c).
 pf.

Coiterate w, w' to w^* . By Lemma 1
 there is $\pi: w^* \rightarrow_u w^{**}$. Note that
 w^* is an iterate of w' above V ,
 let $X = \text{the } \Sigma_0(w^{**})\text{-closure of}$
 $\text{rng}(\pi \pi_{w^* w^*}) \cup \{\kappa\}$. Set:

$$\sigma: w'' \xrightarrow{\sim} X, \quad \pi' = \sigma^{-1} \pi \pi_{w' w^*}.$$

Then w'' is a weakel and:

$$(1) \quad \pi': w' \rightarrow_{\Sigma_1} w''$$

$$(2) \quad \pi'|_V = \pi|_V, \quad \text{hence}$$

$$(3) \quad \text{crit}(\pi') = \kappa \quad \text{and}$$

$$y \in \cup \longleftrightarrow \kappa \in \pi'(y) \quad \text{for } y \in P(\kappa) \cap W,$$

$$(4) \quad w'' = \text{the } \Sigma_0(w'')\text{-closure of} \\ \text{rng}(\pi') \cup \{\kappa\}.$$

$$\text{Hence } \pi': w' \rightarrow_u w''.$$

QED (Lemma 2)

We now strengthen Lemma 2 to:

Lemma 3 Let $\mathbb{N} = \langle J^E, \cup \rangle$ be a beaver. Let W' be almost universal s.t. $J^E|_{W'} = J^E$. Then there is $\pi: W' \xrightarrow{\cup} W''$.

pf.

Case 1 $E|_{W'} = \emptyset$

There is a universal W satisfying (c) which, by Lemma 1, we may assume to have the property: $E|_W = \emptyset$. The conclusion follows by Lemma 2.

Case 2 Case 1 fails.

By Lemmas 1, 2 it suffices to prove the conclusion for some \tilde{W} s.t. \tilde{W} is universal and $\tilde{W}|_v = W'|_v$. Thus we may assume w.l.o.g. that there is an X which is massive in W' . Let $\sigma: W' \xrightarrow{E} W''$.

By Corollary 1 there is $\pi : W^* \rightarrow_u W^{**}$,

Set: $X^* = \{\alpha \in X \mid \pi \sigma(\alpha) = \alpha\}$.

Then X^* is massive in W' , W^* , W^{**} ,

Claim If $\vec{\alpha} \in X^*$, $\vec{v} < \kappa$, and
t is a term in the 1st order

language of $W^* = J_\infty^{E^*}$, then

$$t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{v}, \sigma(\kappa))_{W^*} \notin [\kappa, \sigma(\kappa)],$$

pf.

Suppose not. Then for $\vec{v} < \vec{s} < \kappa$:

$$W^* \models \vec{s} < t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{v}, \sigma(\kappa)) < \sigma(\kappa)$$

hence:

$$W' \models \vec{s} < t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{v}, \kappa) < \kappa$$

for $\vec{v} < \vec{s} < \kappa$. Contradiction! QED (Claim)

But then:

$$W^* \models \lambda \vec{v} < \kappa \ t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{v}, \sigma(\kappa)) \notin [\kappa, \sigma(\kappa)]$$

hence:

$$\begin{aligned} W^{**} \models \lambda \vec{v} < \pi(\kappa) \ t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{v}, \pi \sigma(\kappa)) \notin \\ \notin [\pi(\kappa), \pi \sigma(\kappa)]. \end{aligned}$$

Set: $Y = \text{the } \Sigma_1(\omega^{**})\text{-closure of}$
 $X^* \cup n \cup \{\pi\sigma(\kappa)\}$

$Y' = \text{the } \Sigma_1(\omega^{**})\text{-closure of}$
 $X^* \cup \pi(n) \cup \{\pi\sigma(\kappa)\},$

let $\rho: \bar{\omega} \xrightarrow{\sim} Y$, $\rho': \bar{\omega}' \xrightarrow{\sim} Y'$
 where $\bar{\omega}, \bar{\omega}'$ are transition. Set!

$$\bar{\pi} = (\rho'^{-1}\rho): \bar{\omega} \xrightarrow{\Sigma_1} \bar{\omega}',$$

By the above analysis:

$$(1) \quad \kappa = \text{crit}(\bar{\pi}), \quad \bar{\pi}(n) = \pi(n).$$

Claim $\bar{\pi} \upharpoonright \#(n) = \pi \upharpoonright \#(n)$.

pf.

$$\text{let } x \in \#(n) \cap \bar{\omega} = \#(n) \cap \omega^*,$$

$$\text{let } p(x) = t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\nu}, \pi\sigma(n))_{\omega^{**}}.$$

$$\text{Then } (\pi\sigma)^{-1}p(x) = t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\nu}, n)_{\omega'},$$

where $\pi\sigma \upharpoonright n = p \upharpoonright n = \text{id}$. Hence

$$\pi\sigma(x) = t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\nu}, \pi\sigma(n))_{\omega^{**}} = p(x).$$

$$\text{Hence } \bar{\pi}(x) = \rho'^{-1}p(x) = p(x) \cap \bar{\pi}(\kappa) =$$

$$= \pi\sigma(x) \cap \pi(n) = \pi(\sigma(x) \cap n) = \pi(x),$$

QED (Claim)

But then:

$$(2) \quad y \in U \iff \kappa \in \bar{\pi}(y) \text{ for } y \in P(\kappa) \cap W,$$

$$(3) \quad \bar{W}' = \text{the } \Sigma_0(\bar{W}')\text{-closure of} \\ \text{rng}(\bar{\pi}) \cup \{\kappa\},$$

since \bar{W}' is the Σ_0 -closure of
 $\text{rng}(\bar{\pi}) \cup \pi(W)$ and each $v \in \pi(W)$

has the form $v = \bar{\pi}(f)(\kappa) = \bar{\pi}(f)(\kappa)$
 for an $f : \kappa \rightarrow \kappa$, $f \in P(\kappa) \cap W \subset \bar{W}$.

Hence:

$$(4) \quad \bar{\pi} : \bar{W} \xrightarrow{U} \bar{W}',$$

Finally we notice that:

$$(6) \quad E_{\nu}^{\bar{W}} = E_{\nu}^W,$$

$$\text{since } x \in E_{\nu}^W \rightarrow \rho(x) = \bar{\pi}\sigma(x) \in E_{\bar{\pi}\sigma(\nu)}^{W \times \ast} \\ \rightarrow x \in E_{\nu}^{\bar{W}}.$$

QED (Lemma 3)

We aim to show that every beaver is a mouse (in fact, a strong one) and that if $\langle J_r^E, u \rangle$ is a beaver and W is universal with $J_r^{E^W} = J_r^E$, then $\langle W, u \rangle$ is iterable in the obvious sense. We also want to show that if $\langle J_r^E, u \rangle, \langle J_r^E, v \rangle$ are beavers, then $u = v$. (This will be the most important element in proving the uniqueness needed to define K). To these ends we define:

Def $N = \langle J_r^E, u, v \rangle$ is a double beaver iff $\langle J_r^E, u \rangle, \langle J_r^E, v \rangle$ are beavers.

Def let $N = \langle J_r^E, u_0, u_1 \rangle$ be a double beaver. $\langle W_i \mid i < \theta \rangle$ is an iteration of N with indices $\langle e_i, d_i \rangle \quad (i+1 < \theta)$ and maps π_{e_i} ($i \leq j < \theta$) iff the following hold:

(a) $\omega d_i \leq \alpha_{N_i}$

(b) $v_i \leq \alpha_{N_i}$ or $v_i = \langle 0, h \rangle$ ($h=0, 1$)

(c) The π_{ij} commute and are continuous at limits

(d) Set: $E_{\langle 0, h \rangle}^{N_i} = U_h^i$ ($h=0, 1$),

where $N_i = \langle J_{v_i}^{E^i}, U_0^i, U_n^i \rangle$. Then

either $E_{e_i} = \emptyset$ and $N_{i+1} = N_i \sqcup d_i$

or E_{e_i} is a measure in $N_i \sqcup d_i$ and

$\pi_{i, i+1}: (N_i \sqcup d_i) \rightarrow E_{e_i}^{N_{i+1}}$.

(e) $\{i \mid \omega d_i \in N_i\}$ is finite.

Def Let w be a weakst nt. $J_v^E = J_v^w$.

The notion of an iteration of

$\langle w, U_0, U_1 \rangle$ with indices $\langle e_i, d_i \rangle$

+ maps π_{ij} is just as above.

The i -th iterate is either a mouse, if we have truncated, or has the form $\langle w_i, U_0^i, U_n^i \rangle$ where

$\pi_{0i} \cap N: N \rightarrow \langle J_{v_i}^{E^{w_i}}, U_0^i, U_n^i \rangle$

cofinally.

(i.e. $U_n^i = \bigcup_{x \in N} \pi_{0,i}(x \cap U_n)$).

The notion of an iteration of a simple layer $\langle J_v^E, u \rangle$ or a structure $\langle w, u \rangle$ ($J_v^{E^w} = J_v^E$) is of course defined exactly as above with (b) replaced by : (b') $\nu_i \leq \alpha_{N_i}$ or $\nu_i = \langle 0, 0 \rangle$.

The notions of normal, simple, and standard iteration are defined exactly as before.

Note In dealing with these structures we shall only need iterations of length $< \infty$,

Def Let $N = \langle J_\nu^E, u, v \rangle$ be a double beaver. Let $\gamma = \langle N_i : i < \theta \rangle$ be a simple normal iteration of N with indices e_i ($i+1 < \theta$). γ is applicable iff there is an almost universal weasel W s.t. $J_\nu^{E^W} = J_\nu^E$ and there is a $\overset{\text{simple}}{\gamma}$ -iteration $\langle w_i, u_i, v_i \rangle$ ($i < \theta$) with the same indices [hence $N_i = \langle J_{\nu_i}^{E^{w_i}}, u_i, v_i \rangle$, where $\nu_i = \pi_{\phi_i}(v)$ and $\pi_{\phi_i} \upharpoonright N_i$ are the iteration maps for γ , where π_{ϕ_i} ($i \leq j < \theta$) are the iteration maps for $\langle w_i, u_i, v_i \rangle$ ($i < \theta$)].

If W is any weasel satisfying these conditions, we say that γ is applicable to W and that the iteration $\langle w_i, u_i, v_i \rangle$ ($i < \theta$) is the application of γ to W .

The corresponding notion for single beavers is obvious.

Thus, saying that $N = \langle J_r^E, u \rangle$ is a beaver simply means that the two stage iteration $\pi: N \xrightarrow{u} N'$ is applicable to a universal W .

Pursuing this lead, we generalize lemma 1-3 to the following lemma on applicability:

Lemma 4 Let $N = \langle J_r^E, u, v \rangle$, where u, v are measures on κ . Let γ be applicable to W . Let \tilde{W} be a simple iterate of W above κ . Then γ is applicable to \tilde{W} .

pf.

Let W^i ($i \leq \Gamma \leq \infty$) be the ^{normal} iteration from W to \tilde{W} with indices r_i^i, κ^i (i.e. $E_{r_i^i}^{W^i}$ is a measure on κ^i). Let $\pi^{(i)} = \pi_{W^i \circ W^i}$ be the iteration maps.

Let $\langle w_i, u_i, v_i \rangle$ ($i < \theta$) be the application of $\gamma = \langle N_i | i < \theta \rangle$ to W with indices $e_i, \bar{\kappa}_i$ and iteration maps $\pi_{i,j}$. (Assume w.l.o.g. that $E_{e_i}^{w_i} \neq \emptyset$ is a measure on $\bar{\kappa}_i$).

For each $h < \theta$ we now define an iteration w_h^i ($i \leq \pi$) of w_h with indices ν_h^i, κ_h^i and iteration maps $\pi_h^{i+1} = \pi_{w_h^i w_h^i}$. Simultaneously we define maps $\pi_{0h}^i : w^i \rightarrow \sum_1 w_h^i$. We define $\pi_{0h}^i, \kappa_h^i, \nu_h^i, w_h^i$ by induction on i as follows:

$$\pi_{0h}^0 = \pi_{0h}, \quad w_h^0 = w_h$$

$$\kappa_h^i, \nu_h^i = \pi_{0h}^i(\kappa^i, \nu^i)$$

(This defines w_h^{i+1}, π_h^{i+1}).

$$\pi_{0h}^{i+1}(\pi^{i,i+1}(f)(\kappa^i)) =$$

$$= \pi_h^{i,i+1} \pi_{0h}^i(f)(\kappa_h^i)$$

At limit λ , $w_h^\lambda, \pi_h^{i\lambda}$ ($i < \lambda$) are then given and we define;

$$\pi_{0h}^\lambda \pi^{i\lambda} = \pi_h^{i\lambda} \pi_{0h}^i \quad (i < \lambda),$$

This defines π_{0h}^λ .

But then we can extend the system of maps $\pi_{\alpha h}^i$ to maps

$$\pi_{hj}^i : w_h^i \rightarrow w_j^i \quad (h \leq j < \theta)$$

s.t.

$$(1) \quad \pi_{ik}^i \pi_{hj}^i = \pi_{hk}^i ; \text{ hence}$$

$$(2) \quad \pi_{hj}^i (\kappa_h^i) = \kappa_j^i .$$

We define π_{hj}^i ($h \leq j < \theta$) by induction on i , verifying (1) at each stage:

$$\pi_{hj}^0 = \pi_{hj}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{hj}^{i+1} (\pi_{hj}^{i+1}(f)(\kappa_h^i)) &= \\ &= \pi_{j,j+1}^i \pi_{hj}^i (f)(\kappa_j^i) \end{aligned}$$

For limit λ set:

$$\pi_{hj}^\lambda \pi_{hj}^{i\lambda} = \pi_{j,j+1}^i \pi_{hj}^i$$

We then have:

$$(3) \quad \pi_{hh}^j \pi_{hj}^{i\lambda} = \pi_{hk}^{ii} \pi_{hk}^i$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 W_k^i & \xrightarrow{\pi_k^{i,j}} & W_k^j \\
 \pi_{hk}^i \uparrow & & \uparrow \pi_{hk}^j \\
 W_h^i & \xrightarrow{\pi_h^{i,j}} & W_h^j
 \end{array}$$

A straightforward induction
on i shows:

(4) The system of maps $\bar{\pi}_{hk}^i$ ($h \leq k < \theta$)
is continuous at limits (i.e.

$$W_\lambda^i = \bigcup_{h < \lambda} \text{range}(\bar{\pi}_{h\lambda}^i) \text{ for limit } \lambda,$$

Since $\bar{\pi}_0^i \leq \kappa_0^i$ for $i \leq \Gamma$ we have

$$(5) \quad \kappa_h^i \geq \bar{\pi}_{0h}^i(\bar{\pi}_0^i) \geq \bar{\pi}_h^i \text{ for } i \leq \Gamma, h < \theta$$

$$(6) \quad \pi_{hk}^i \circ \bar{\pi}_{hk}^i = \text{id}$$

Proof trivial for $i=0$. For $i > 0$:

$$\bar{\pi}_{hk}^i(z) = \bar{\pi}_{hk}^i \bar{\pi}_{h0}^{0i}(z) = \bar{\pi}_k^{0i} \bar{\pi}_{h0}^{0i}(z) = z$$

for $z < \bar{\pi}_h^i$ by (5). QED (6)

(7) $\bar{\pi}_h^i = \text{crit}(\bar{\pi}_{hk}^i)$ for $h < k$
pf.

We show $\bar{\pi}_{hk}^i(\bar{\pi}_h^i) > \bar{\pi}_h^i$ by
induction on i . $i=0$ is trivial.

If $\bar{n}_h < n_h^i$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{hk}^{i+1}(\bar{n}_h) &= \pi_{hh}^{i+1} \pi_h^{i,i+1}(\bar{n}_h) = \\ &= \pi_k^{i,i+1} \pi_{hk}^i(\bar{n}_h) > \bar{n}_h. \end{aligned}$$

If $\bar{n}_h = n_h^i$, then

$$\pi_{hh}^{i+1}(\bar{n}_h) = n_h^i > \bar{n}_h.$$

For limit λ we have $\bar{n}_h = \pi_h^{i,\lambda}(\tilde{n})$,

for some $i < \lambda$. But then $\tilde{n} \geq \bar{n}_h$,

since otherwise $\tilde{n} < n_h^i$ and

$$\bar{n}_h = \pi_h^{i,\lambda}(\tilde{n}) = \tilde{n} < \bar{n}_h. \text{ Hence:}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{hk}^{i,\lambda}(\bar{n}_h) &= \pi_{hh}^{i,\lambda} \pi_h^{i,\lambda}(\tilde{n}) = \pi_k^{i,\lambda} \pi_{hh}^i(\tilde{n}) \geq \\ &\geq \pi_k^{i,\lambda} \pi_{hk}^i(\bar{n}_h) > \bar{n}_h. \end{aligned}$$

QED (7)

By (5.1) we have

$$(8) \quad \mathcal{P}(\bar{n}_h) \cap W_h = \mathcal{P}(\bar{n}_h) \cap W_h^i \quad (i \leq \Gamma, h < \Theta)$$

But then

(9.) Let $x \in \mathcal{P}(\bar{n}_h) \cap W_h$, $h < \Theta$, $i \leq \Gamma$.

Then $\bar{n}_h \in \pi_{hh}^i(x) \iff x \in E_{e_h}^{W_h}$.

proof of (9),

An immediate for $i=0$. For $i > 0$

we have $\kappa_h^i \geq \kappa_h^0 \geq \bar{\kappa}_h$. Hence,

$$\bar{\kappa}_h \in \pi_{h,h}^{i,i}(X) \Leftrightarrow \pi_{h,h}^{i,i}(\bar{\kappa}_h \cap \pi_h^{0,0}(X)) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{\kappa}_h \in \pi_{h,h}^{i,i} \pi_h^{0,0}(X), \text{ since } \pi_{h,h}^{i,i}(\bar{\kappa}_h) > \bar{\kappa}_h$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{\kappa}_h \in \pi_h^{0,0} \pi_{h,h}^{i,i}(X)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \kappa_h \in \pi_{h,h}^{i,i}(X) \Leftrightarrow X \in E_{\kappa_h}^{W_h}$$

since $\kappa_h^i \geq \kappa_h^0 \geq \bar{\kappa}_h > \bar{\kappa}_h$ + hence

$$\pi_h^{0,0}(\bar{\kappa}_h) = \bar{\kappa}_h. \quad \text{QED (9)}$$

(10) $W_{h+1}^i = \text{the } \Sigma_0(W_h^i) - \text{closure of}$
 $\text{sgn}(\pi_{h,h+1}^{i,i}) \cup \{\bar{\kappa}_h\}$

prob. situation i .

$i=0$ + fin (i) are straightforward.

For $i+1$ let $x = \pi_{h+1}^{i,i+1}(f)(\kappa_{h+1}^i) \in W_{h+1}^{i+1}$

where $f = \pi_{h,h+1}^{i,i}(g)(\bar{\kappa}_h)$. Then

$$x = \pi_{h+1}^{i,i+1}(\pi_{h,h+1}^{i,i}(g)(\bar{\kappa}_h))(\kappa_{h+1}^i) =$$

$$= (\pi_{h+1}^{i,i+1} \pi_{h,h+1}^{i,i}(g)(\bar{\kappa}_h))(\kappa_{h+1}^i) =$$

$$(\text{since } \kappa_{h+1}^i \geq \bar{\kappa}_{h+1} > \bar{\kappa}_h)$$

$$= (\pi_{h,h+1}^{i+1} \pi_h^{i,i+1}(\bar{\kappa}_h))(\kappa_{h+1}^i)$$

But $\pi_{h+1}^i = \pi_{h, h+1}^{i+1}(\alpha_h^i)$ since

$$\begin{aligned}\pi_{h, h+1}^{i+1}(\alpha_h^i) &= \pi_{h, h+1}^{i+1}(\pi_h^{i, i+1}(\text{id})(\alpha_h^i)) = \\ &= \pi_{h+1}^{i, i+1} \pi_{h, h+1}^i(\text{id})(\alpha_{h+1}^i) = \kappa_{h+1}^i.\end{aligned}$$

QED (10)

By (7) – (10) we then have:

$$(11) \quad \pi_{h, h+1}^i : W_h^i \xrightarrow{E_{e_n}} W_{h+1}^i.$$

Hence the iteration W_n^i ($n < \Theta$)
is the application of γ to W^i .

This holds in particular for

$$W^{\Gamma} = \tilde{W}. \quad \text{QED (Lemma 4)}$$

Lemma 5. Let $N = \langle J_r^E, u, v \rangle$ be as above + let γ be applicable to the weakly universal w . Let w' be weakly universal s.t. $w/v = w'/v$. Then γ is applicable to w' .

prf.

Consider w, w' to w^* . γ is then applicable to w^* . Let $\langle w_i^*, u_i, v_i \rangle$ ($i < \theta$) be the application of γ to w^* with indices $e_i, i\kappa_i$ and maps π_{ij} . Set:

$X_i = \text{the } \Sigma_0(w_i^*) - \text{closure of}$
 $\text{rng}(\pi_{0i}\pi_{w^*w^*}) \cup \{u_n | n < i\}$

$\sigma_i : w_i' \xrightarrow{\sim} X_i$, where w_i' is
 transitive; $\pi_{ij}' = \sigma_i^{-1} \pi_{ij} \sigma_j$
 $(i \leq j < \theta)$,

Clearly $w_0' = w'$. Moreover:

(1) $\pi_{ij}' : w_i' \xrightarrow{\Sigma_1} w_j'$

Let $\gamma = \langle N_i | i < \theta \rangle$, where

$N_i = \langle J_{r_i}^E, u_i, v_i \rangle$.

Then $J_{\nu_i}^{E^c} = J_{\nu_i}^{EW_i^*}$ and $J_{\nu_i}^{E^c} =$
 $= \text{the } \Sigma_1(J_{\nu_i}^{E^c})\text{-closure of}$
 $\text{rng}(\pi_{N_0 N_i}) \cup \{\kappa_i \mid i < i\}.$

Since $J_{\nu_i}^E \subset \text{rng}(\pi_{\omega^\omega \omega^*})$, we
have $\text{rng}(\pi_{N_0 N_i}) \cup \{\kappa_i \mid i < i\} \subset X_i$
and hence (2)

$$(2) J_{\nu_i}^{E^c} \subset X_i.$$

It follows trivially that;

$$(3) \pi_{i+1}' \upharpoonright J_{\nu_i}^{E^c} = \pi_{i+1}' \upharpoonright J_{\nu_i}^{E^c}.$$

Hence;

$$(4) \kappa_i = \text{crit}(\pi_{i+1}') \quad (i < i)$$

$$(5) X \in E_{e_i}^{N_i} \longleftrightarrow \kappa_i \in \pi_{i+1}'(X) \quad (i < i)$$

for $X \in \text{P}(\kappa_i) \cap J_{\nu_i}^{E^c}$.

Trivially:

$$(6) W_{i+1}' = \text{the } \Sigma_0(W_i')\text{-closure}\\ \text{of } \text{rng}(\pi_{i+1,i+1}') \cup \{\kappa_i\}$$

$$(7) W_\lambda' = \bigcup_{i < \lambda} \text{rng}(\pi_{i+1}') :$$

Hence W_i' ($i < \omega$) is the applica-
tion of γ to W_i' .

Lemma 6 Let N, Y be as above. Let W be weakly universal s.t. $J_Y^{E^W} = J_Y^E$. Then Y is applicable to W .

Proof.

Case 1 $E_Y^W = \emptyset$ as in Lemma 3

Case 2 Case 1 fails.

By Lemmas 4, 5 it suffices to prove the conclusion for any weakly universal \tilde{W} s.t. $\tilde{W}|_Y = W|_Y$. Hence we assume w.l.o.g. that some X is massive in W . Let $\sigma: W \xrightarrow{E_Y} W^*$.

Then Y is applicable to W^* .

Let $\langle w_i^*, u_i, v_i \rangle (i < \theta)$ be the application of Y to W^* with iteration maps $\pi_{i,j}$. Set:

$$X^* = \{\alpha \in X \mid \pi_{0,i} \sigma(\alpha) = \alpha \text{ for } i < \theta\}.$$

Then X^* is massive in W , $w_i^* (i < \theta)$

Set: $y_i = \text{the } \Sigma_1(w_i^*)\text{-closure of}$

$$X^* \cup \overline{\pi_{0,i}}''K \cup \{\alpha_n \mid n < i\} \cup \{\pi_{0,0} \sigma(K)\}$$

$f_i: \bar{W}_i \xleftrightarrow{\sim} Y_i$ where \bar{W}_i transitive

$$\overline{\pi}_{i,j} = f_j^{-1} \pi_{i,j} f_i \quad (i \leq j < \theta).$$

(1) $w^* = \varphi(\vec{z}, \vec{\tau}, \sigma(\kappa)) \iff$

$\iff w \models \varphi(\vec{z}, \vec{\tau}, \kappa)$

for $\vec{z} \in X^*$, $\vec{\tau} < \kappa$

Hence:

(2) $t(\vec{z}, \vec{\tau}, \sigma(\kappa)) \notin [w^*, \sigma(\kappa)]$

since otherwise $t(\vec{z}, \vec{\tau}, \kappa)_w \in [\vec{z}, \kappa]$

for all $\vec{z} < \kappa$. Contr!

Since $w^* \models \forall \vec{z} < \kappa. t(\vec{z}, \vec{\tau}, \sigma(\kappa)) \notin [\kappa, \sigma(\kappa)]$

for $\vec{z} \in X^*$, we conclude

(3) $t(\vec{z}, \vec{\tau}, \pi_{\omega_i} \sigma(\kappa)) \notin [\pi_{\omega_i}(\kappa), \pi_{\omega_i} \sigma(\kappa)]$

for $\vec{z} \in X^*$, $\vec{\tau} < \pi_{\omega_i}(\kappa)$.

Clearly $\kappa \in Y_0 + \bar{w}$ is universal.

Hence:

(4) $\bigcup_{\nu} E^{\bar{w}_0} = \bigcup_{\nu} E$, since

$\bigcup_{\kappa} E^{\bar{w}_0} = \bigcup_{\kappa} E + \nu = \kappa + w$; hence

the coiteration of \bar{w}_0, w would otherwise contain a truncation.

Set: $\kappa^* = \sigma(\kappa)^{+w^*} = \sigma(\nu) = f(\nu).$

$$(5) \rho \upharpoonright \nu = \sigma \upharpoonright \nu$$

Mf.

$$(a) \text{rng}(\rho \upharpoonright \nu) \subset \text{rng}(\sigma \upharpoonright \nu)$$

pf. Let $\bar{z} \in \text{rng}(\rho \upharpoonright \nu)$. Then

$$\bar{z} = t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\tau}, \sigma(\kappa))_{w^*} < \nu^*, \text{ where}$$

$\vec{\alpha} \in X^*$, $\vec{\tau} < \kappa$. Hence

$$\bar{z} = \sigma(t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\tau}, \kappa)_w) \in \text{rng}(\sigma \upharpoonright \nu)$$

\wedge

$$(b) \sigma(\bar{z}) \leq \rho(\bar{z}) \text{ for } \bar{z} < \nu \text{ by (a)}$$

$$(c) \text{rng}(\sigma \upharpoonright \nu) \subset \text{rng}(\rho \upharpoonright \nu)$$

$$\text{Let } \bar{z} < \nu, \rho(\bar{z}) = t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\tau}, \sigma(\kappa))_{w^*} \geq \sigma(\bar{z}),$$

where $\vec{\alpha} \in X^*$, $\vec{\tau} < \kappa$. Then

$$\bar{z} \leq \sigma^{-1}\rho(\bar{z}) = t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\tau}, \kappa)_w. \text{ Thus}$$

the set of $t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\tau}, \kappa)_w < \nu$ is
cofinal in ν . Since every $\bar{z} < \nu$
has cardinality $\leq \kappa$ in w , it
follows easily that every
 $\bar{z} < \nu$ has this form.

$$\text{Hence, } \text{rng}(\sigma \upharpoonright \nu) \subset \text{rng}(\rho \upharpoonright \nu).$$

$$\text{Since } \sigma(t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\tau}, \kappa)_w) = t(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\tau}, \sigma(\kappa))_{w^*},$$

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Since $\sigma(\nu) = f_0(\nu) = \nu^*$, we conclude:

$$(6) E_\nu^W = E_{\nu^*}^{\bar{W}^*} \quad (\text{hence } \bar{W}_0|\nu = W^*(\nu)).$$

Hence it will suffice to show that $\langle \bar{W}_i | i < \theta \rangle$ in the application of γ to \bar{W}_0 .

Set: $\tilde{R}_i = \pi_{0i}(\kappa)$, $\tilde{\nu}_i = \pi_{0i}(\nu)$, $E^i = E^{W_i^*}$

$$\kappa_i^* = \pi_{0i}\sigma(\kappa), \nu_i^* = \pi_{0i}\sigma(\nu).$$

Then each $\vec{s} < \vec{\nu}_i$ is $\mathcal{J}_{\tilde{V}_i}^{E^i}$ -definable
in parameters from $\pi_{0i}''\nu \cup \{\kappa_n | n < i\}$.

Note that since each $\vec{s} < \nu$ has
the form $t(\vec{x}, \vec{t}, \kappa)|_{W^*} \quad (\vec{x} \in X^*, \vec{t} < u)$,
(1) given in:

$$(7) \wedge \vec{t} < \kappa \left(\mathcal{J}_{\nu}^{E^*} \models \varphi(\vec{s}, \vec{t}) \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{J}_{\nu^*}^{E^*} \models \varphi(\sigma(\vec{s}), \vec{t}) \right)$$

for all $\vec{s} < \nu$.

Hence in W_i^* we have:

$$(8) \wedge \vec{t} < \tilde{\kappa}_i \left(\mathcal{J}_{\tilde{V}_i}^{E^i} \models \varphi(\pi_{0i}(\vec{s}), \vec{t}) \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{J}_{\nu^*}^{E^*} \models \varphi(\pi_{0i}\sigma(\vec{s}), \vec{t}) \right)$$

for all $\vec{s} < \nu$.

In particular we can define

$$\tilde{\sigma}_i : \bigcup_{\tilde{V}_i}^{E^c} \rightarrow \sum_1 \bigcup_{V_i^*}^{E^c} \text{ by:}$$

$$(9) \quad \tilde{\sigma}_i (t(\pi_{0i}(\vec{s}), \vec{\kappa}_h)_{\bigcup_{\tilde{V}_i}^{E^c}}) = t(\pi_{0i}\sigma(\vec{s}), \vec{\kappa}_h)_{\bigcup_{V_i^*}^{E^c}}$$

where $\vec{s} <_{V_i} \vec{h} < i$.

(Clearly by (8))

$$(10) \quad \tilde{\sigma}_i \uparrow \tilde{\kappa}_i = \text{id}, \quad \tilde{\sigma}_i(\tilde{\kappa}_i) = \kappa_i^* > \tilde{\kappa}_i.$$

By a proof similar to (5) we now show:

$$(11) \quad p_i \uparrow \tilde{v}_i = \tilde{v}_i \uparrow \tilde{v}_i.$$

prf.

$(\text{rang}(p_i \uparrow \tilde{v}_i) < \text{rang}(\tilde{v}_i \uparrow \tilde{v}_i))$ Let

$$\vec{s} < \tilde{v}_i, \quad p_i(\vec{s}) = t(\vec{x}, \pi_{0i}(\vec{z}), \vec{\kappa}_h, \kappa_i^*)_{W_i^*},$$

where $\vec{x} \in X^*, \vec{z} < \kappa$. Define

$$g \in J_r^{E^o} \text{ by: } g(\vec{s}) = t(\vec{x}, \vec{z}, \vec{s}, \kappa^*)_{W^*}$$

for $\vec{s} < \kappa$. Then $\sigma(g) \in J_{r^*}^{E^o}$ and

$$\sigma(g)(\vec{s}) = t(\vec{x}, \vec{z}, \vec{s}, \kappa^*)_{W^*}$$

for $\vec{s} < \kappa^*$.

Hence $f_i(\vec{s}) = \pi_{o_i} \sigma(g)(\vec{\kappa}_h) = \tilde{\sigma}_i^*(\pi_{o_i}(g)(\vec{\kappa}_h))$,

($\text{rang } (\tilde{\sigma}_i \upharpoonright \tilde{V}_i) \subset \text{rang } (\rho_i \upharpoonright \tilde{V}_i)$)

Let $\delta < \tilde{V}_i$. $\delta = t(\pi_{o_i}(\vec{s}), \vec{\kappa}_h) \upharpoonright_{\tilde{V}_i}^{E^i}$.

Let $\vec{s}_k = t_k(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\tau}, \kappa) \upharpoonright_W$ where

$\vec{\alpha} \in X^*, \vec{\tau} < \kappa$. Then

$\tilde{\sigma}_i(\delta) = t(\pi_{o_i} \sigma(\vec{s}), \vec{\kappa}_h) \upharpoonright_{\tilde{V}_i}^{E^i}$,

where $\pi_{o_i} \sigma(\vec{s}) = t_h(\vec{\alpha}, \pi_{o_i}(\vec{\tau}), \kappa_i^*) \upharpoonright_{W_i^*}$,

hence $\tilde{\sigma}_i(\delta) = s(\vec{\alpha}, \pi_{o_i}(\vec{\tau}), \vec{\kappa}_h, \kappa_i^*) \upharpoonright_{W_i^*}$.

Hence $\tilde{\sigma}_i(\delta) \in X^* \cap V^* = \text{rang } f_i \upharpoonright \tilde{V}_i$.

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Hence:

(12) $\overline{\pi}_{ij} \upharpoonright \tilde{V}_i = \pi_{ij} \upharpoonright \tilde{V}_i$, since,

letting $\delta = t(\pi_{o_i}(\vec{s}), \vec{\kappa}_h) \upharpoonright_{\tilde{V}_i}^{E^i}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\pi}_{ij}(\delta) &= \tilde{\sigma}_i^{-1} \pi_{ij} (t(\pi_{o_i} \sigma(\vec{s}), \vec{\kappa}_h) \upharpoonright_{\tilde{V}_i}^{E^i}) = \\ &= \tilde{\sigma}_i^{-1} (t(\pi_{o_j} \sigma(\vec{s}), \vec{\kappa}_h) \upharpoonright_{\tilde{V}_j}^{E^j}) = t(\pi_{ij}(\vec{s}), \vec{\kappa}_h) \upharpoonright_{\tilde{V}_j}^{E^j} = \overline{\pi}_{ij}(\delta). \end{aligned}$$

We can then conclude exactly as in Lemma 5 that \bar{W}_i is the application of \bar{y} to \bar{w}_0 .

QED (Lemma 6)

Suppose we are given a weaker $N = \langle J^E, U, V \rangle$ and a pair of simple normal iterations

$$\bar{y} = \langle \bar{N}_i \mid i \leq \bar{\theta} \rangle, \quad y = \langle N_i \mid i < \theta \rangle$$

with indices \bar{e}_i, \bar{u}_i and e_i, u_i resp.
and iteration maps $\bar{\pi}_{ij}, \pi_{ij}$ resp.

Assume, moreover, that $u_0 =$ the largest cardinal in N (i.e. the first measure applied in y is either U or V).

It is natural to consider the iteration of a weaker W with $J^E_W = J^E$
obtained by first applying \bar{y}
and then applying the "image" of
 y under $\bar{\pi}_{0\theta}$. This iteration, which
we denote by $\bar{y} * y$, will also be
simple and normal. It turns out
that the $\bar{\theta} + i$ -th stage can be
obtained by first applying
 $y|_{(i+1)}$, then \bar{y} .

The precise def. is:

Def Let N, \bar{N}, γ etc. be as above.

Extend \bar{N} to an iteration

$$\langle \bar{N}_i \mid i < \tilde{\theta} \rangle \quad (\bar{\theta} < \tilde{\theta} \leq \bar{\theta} + \theta),$$

simultaneously defining maps

$$\sigma_i : N_i \rightarrow \sum_1 \bar{N}_{\bar{\theta}+i} \quad \text{as follows:}$$

$$(a) \sigma_0 = \bar{\pi}_0 \bar{\theta}$$

(b) If $\bar{N}_{\bar{\theta}+i}, \sigma_i$ are defined,

$$\text{set: } \bar{e}_{\bar{\theta}+i} = \sigma_i(e_i). \quad \text{This}$$

defines $\bar{N}_{\bar{\theta}+i+1}$ if $\bar{N}_{\bar{\theta}+i}$ is

extendible by $E_{\bar{e}_i}$. Otherwise

$\bar{N}_{\bar{\theta}+i+1}$ is undefined.

(c) If $\bar{N}_{\bar{\theta}+i+1}$ is defined, define

σ_{i+1} by:

$$\sigma_{i+1}(\pi_{i+1}(f)(\kappa_i)) = \bar{\pi}_{\bar{\theta}+i+1} \sigma_i(f)(\bar{\kappa}_{\bar{\theta}+i}).$$

(d) If $\bar{N}_{\bar{\theta}+i}, \sigma_i$ are defined for

$i < \lambda$ where λ is a limit ordinal,

set : $\bar{N}_{\bar{\theta}+\lambda} = \lim_{i < \lambda} \bar{N}_{\bar{\theta}+i}$ if

this limit is well founded.

Otherwise $\bar{N}_{\bar{\theta}+\lambda}$ is undefined.

(e) If $\bar{N}_{\bar{\theta}+\lambda}$ is defined, define

σ_λ by : $\sigma_\lambda \pi_{i,\lambda} = \bar{\pi}_{\bar{\theta}+i, \bar{\theta}+\lambda} \sigma_i$ ($i < \lambda$),

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Def If \bar{N}_i is defined for $i < \bar{\theta} + \theta$,

we set : $\bar{y} * y = \langle \bar{N}_i \mid i < \bar{\theta} + \theta \rangle$.

Otherwise $\bar{y} * y$ is undefined.

It is obvious that $\bar{y} * y$ is a simple normal iteration of N .

Lemma 7 Let N, \bar{y}, y be as above,
where \bar{y}, y are applicable. Then
 $\bar{y} * y$ exists and is applicable.

proof of Lemma 7.

We turn the proof of Lemma 5 on its head. Let \mathbf{W} be universal set.

$J_r^{E^W} = J_r^E$. Let the iteration

$\langle W^i, U^i, V^i \rangle$ be the application of γ to \mathbf{W} with maps π^{ii} ($i \leq i < \theta$),

let $\langle \bar{W}_h, \bar{U}_h, \bar{V}_h \rangle$ be the application of $\bar{\gamma}$ to \mathbf{W} with maps

$\bar{\pi}_{hk}$ ($h \leq k \leq \bar{\theta}$). For each $i < \theta$,

let $\langle W_h^i, \bar{U}_h^i, \bar{V}_h^i \rangle$ be the application of $\bar{\gamma}$ to W^i (since

$J_r^{E^{W^i}} = J_r^E$) with maps π_{hk}^i

($h \leq k \leq \bar{\theta}$). Then $W_h^i = \bar{W}_h$,

$\bar{\pi}_{hk}^i = \bar{\pi}_{hk}$. Set:

$$e_h^i, n_h^i = \bar{\pi}_{0h}^i(e^i, n^i),$$

where e^i, n^i are the indices of γ .

Define U_h^i, V_h^i by:

$$u_h^i = \sum_{x \in N^i} \pi_{0,h}^i(x \wedge u^i)$$

$$v_h^i = \dots \quad \text{“} \quad v^i.$$

We claim that $\langle w_h^i, u_h^i, v_h^i \rangle$ ($i < \theta$) is a normal simple iteration of $\langle \bar{w}_h, \bar{u}_h, \bar{v}_h \rangle$ by the indices e_h^i ($i < \theta$).

(Note that $\langle w_0^i, u_0^i, v_0^i \rangle = \langle w^i, u^i, v^i \rangle$, $e_0^i = e^i$, so it holds for $h=0$).

To this end we define commutative maps

$$\pi_h^{ii} : w_h^i \rightarrow w_h^i \quad (i \leq i < \theta)$$

by ind. on h and prove:

$$(a) \kappa_h^i = \text{crit}(\pi_h^{ii}) \quad (i < i)$$

$$(b) x \in E_{e_h^i} \longleftrightarrow \kappa_h^i \in \pi_h^{ii}(x)$$

$$\text{for } x \in \pi_h^{ii}(\kappa_h^i) \cap W_h^i, \quad i < i,$$

$$\text{where } E_{e_h^i} = \begin{cases} U_h^i & \text{if } e_h^i = (0,0) \\ V_h^i & \text{if } e_h^i = (0,1) \\ E_{\bar{U}}^{W_h^i} & \text{if } e_h^i = \bar{U} \in \Omega. \end{cases}$$

(c) $W_h^i = \text{the } \Sigma_0(W_h^i) - \text{closure of}$
 $\text{rng}(\pi_h^{0,i}) \cup \{\alpha_h^l \mid l < i\},$

This shows that $\langle W_h^i, U_h^i, V_h^i \rangle$
 $(i < \theta)$ is the derived iteration
 with iteration maps π_h^{i+1} .

We also get:

$$(d) \quad \pi_h^{i+1} \pi_{l,h}^i = \pi_{lh}^l \pi_l^{i+1} \quad (i \leq i < \theta, l \leq h \leq \bar{\theta})$$

Now let: $\bar{e}_{\bar{\theta}+i} = e_{\bar{\theta}}^i;$

$$\langle \bar{W}_{\bar{\theta}+i}, \bar{U}_{\bar{\theta}+i}, \bar{V}_{\bar{\theta}+i} \rangle =$$

$$= \langle W_{\bar{\theta}}^i, U_{\bar{\theta}}^i, V_{\bar{\theta}}^i \rangle,$$

$$\bar{\sigma}_i^i = \pi_{0,\bar{\theta}}^i$$

$$\bar{N}_{\bar{\theta}+i} = \langle J_{\bar{\nu}}^{E\bar{W}_{\bar{\theta}+i}}, \bar{U}_{\bar{\theta}+i}, \bar{V}_{\bar{\theta}+i} \rangle,$$

where $\bar{\nu} = \sigma_i^i (0 \in N_i).$

$$\text{Then } \langle \bar{W}_i, \bar{U}_i, \bar{V}_i \rangle \quad (i < \bar{\theta} + \theta)$$

is the application of

$$\langle \bar{N}_i \mid i < \bar{\theta} + \theta \rangle \text{ to } W \text{ with}$$

indices: $\bar{e}_i \quad (i < \bar{\theta} + \theta).$

Moreover, $\bar{e}_{\bar{\theta}+i} = \sigma_i'(\epsilon^i)$, where

$$(1) \quad \sigma_0' = \bar{\pi}_{0\bar{\theta}}$$

$$(2) \quad \sigma_\lambda' \pi^{i\lambda} = \bar{\pi}_{\bar{\theta}+i, \bar{\theta}+\lambda} \sigma_i' \quad (\text{from (1)})$$

by (d).

$$(3) \quad \sigma_{i+1}' (\pi^{i,i+1}(f)(n^i)) =$$

$$= \bar{\pi}_{\bar{\theta}+i, \bar{\theta}+i+1} \sigma_i' (f | (\bar{n}_{\bar{\theta}+i}))$$

To see (3), apply (d) and observe that:

$$\sigma_{i+1}'(n^i) = \bar{\pi}_0^{i+1}(n^i) = \bar{\pi}_{i\bar{\theta}}^{i+1}(n^i) = n_{\bar{\theta}}^i,$$

$$\text{since } V_{n_{i+1}}^{w^i} = V_{n_{i+1}}^{w^{i+1}}.$$

$$\text{Thus } \langle \bar{n}_i \mid i < \bar{\theta} + \theta \rangle = \bar{y} * y$$

with $\sigma_i = \sigma_i' \cap N_i$ as in

the definition of $\bar{y} * y$, which proves the theorem.

It remains only to define the maps $\bar{\pi}_h^{ii}$ ($i \leq i < \theta$) and verify (a) — (d). We do this by induction.

Case 1 $h = 0$.

$\pi_0^{ii} = \pi^{ii}$. The verifications are trivial.

Case 2 $h = l + 1$. We define:

$$\pi_h^{ii}(\pi_{lh}^i(f)(\bar{\kappa}_l)) = \pi_{lh}^j \pi_l^{ii}(f)(\bar{\kappa}).$$

To see that this is a def. +

that π_h^{ii} is Σ_1 -preserving,

note that $\bar{\kappa}_l \leq \kappa_l^{ii}$, hence

$$\pi_l^{ii} \uparrow \bar{\kappa}_l = \text{id}, \text{ by the ind. hyp.}$$

$$\text{Hence: } w_h^i \models \varphi(\pi_{lh}^i(x), \bar{\kappa}_l) \iff$$

$$\iff w_l^i \models \varphi(x, z) \text{ mod } E_{\bar{\kappa}_l}$$

$$\iff w_l^i \models \varphi(\pi_l^{ii}(x), z) \text{ mod } E_{\bar{\kappa}_l}$$

$$\iff w_h^i \models \varphi(\pi_{lh}^j \pi_l^{ii}(x), \bar{\kappa}_l)$$

(d) at h is immediate from the def. + the ind. hyp. We verify (a) — (c):

To prove (a) we first show:

$$(1) \quad \pi_h^{ii} \upharpoonright \kappa_h^i = \text{id},$$

Let $\bar{z} = \pi_{lh}^{ii}(f)(\bar{\kappa}_l) < \kappa_h^i$. We

may assume w.l.o.g. that

$$f: \bar{\kappa}_l \rightarrow \kappa_l^i. \text{ Then } f = \pi_l^{ii}(f) \upharpoonright \kappa_l^i$$

by the induction hyp. Since

$$(\nu_{\kappa_l^i + 1})^{w_l^i} = (\nu_{\kappa_l^i + 1})^{w_l^j}, \text{ we also}$$

$$\text{have: } \pi_{lh}^{ii}(f) = \pi_{lh}^{ij}(f).$$

Hence:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_h^{ii}(\bar{z}) &= \pi_h^{ii}(\pi_{lh}^{ii}(f)(\bar{\kappa}_l)) = \\ &= \pi_{lh}^{ii}(f)(\bar{\kappa}_l) = \pi_{lh}^{ii}(f \upharpoonright (\bar{\kappa}_l)) = \bar{z}. \end{aligned}$$

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$$(2) \quad \pi_h^{ii}(\kappa_h^i) > \kappa_h^i,$$

$$\text{since } \pi_h^{ii}(\kappa_h^i) = \pi_h^{ii}\pi_{lh}^{ii}(\kappa_l^i) =$$

$$= \pi_{lh}^{ii}\pi_l^{ii}(\kappa_l^i) > \pi_{lh}^{ii}(\kappa_l^i) = \kappa_h^i,$$

since $\pi_l^{ii}(\kappa_l^i) > \kappa_l^i$ by the

ind. hyp. This proves (a).

To prove (b), let $x = \pi_{lh}^i(f)(\bar{\kappa}_e) \in \kappa_e^i$.

Note that:

$$(3) \pi_{lh}^i(e_e^i, \kappa_e^i) = e_h^i, \kappa_h^i$$

$$(4) \pi_{lh}^i(r \cap E_{e_e^i}^{W_e^i}) = \pi_{lh}^i(r) \cap E_{e_h^i}^{W_h^i},$$

where $r = \text{rung}(f)$.

$$(5) \pi_l^i \uparrow \bar{\kappa}_e = \text{id}, \text{ since } \bar{\kappa}_e \leq \kappa_e^i.$$

Hence:

$$x \in E_{e_h^i}^{W_h^i} \iff f(z) \in E_{e_e^i}^{W_e^i} \pmod{E_{e_e^i}} \text{ by (4)}$$

$$\iff \kappa_e^i \in \pi_l^i(f)(z) \pmod{E_{e_e^i}}$$

by incl. hyp. + (5)

$$\iff \kappa_h^i \in \underbrace{\pi_{lh}^i \pi_l^i(f)}_{\text{by (3)}}(\bar{\kappa}_e) \pmod{E_{e_h^i}}$$

"

$$\pi_h^i(x)$$

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To prove (c); let $x = \pi_{lh}^i(f)(\bar{\kappa}_e)$,

where $f = t(\pi_l^{oc}(x), \kappa_e^{i_1}, \dots, \kappa_e^{i_m})_{W_e^i}$

Then $\pi_{lh}^i(f) = t(\pi_h^o(\pi_{lh}^i(x)), \kappa_h^{i_1}, \dots, \kappa_h^{i_m})_{W_h^i}$.

Moreover $\bar{\kappa}_e \in \text{rung}(\pi_h^o)$ since

$\bar{\kappa}_l < \bar{\kappa}_h < \kappa_h^\circ = \text{crit}(\pi_h^\circ)$, QED (c)

Case 3 $h = \lambda$, $\lim(\lambda)$

Def. π_λ^{ii} by: $\pi_\lambda^{ii} \pi_{\ell\lambda}^i = \pi_{\ell\lambda}^i \pi_\lambda^{ii}$ ($\ell < \lambda$).
The verifications are straightforward.

QED (Lemma 7)

As a corollary of the proof:

Cor 7.1 Let $\bar{y} = \langle \bar{N}_i \mid i \leq \bar{\theta} \rangle$, $y = \langle N_i \mid i \leq \theta \rangle$ be normal simple iterations of N .
Apply y to w to get $\langle w'; u_\theta \rangle$ with it. map π . Apply \bar{y} to w' to get $\langle \bar{w}, \bar{u}_\theta \rangle$ with map $\bar{\pi}$. Set $u' = \bigcup_{x \in N_\theta} \bar{\pi}(x; u_\theta)$. Then $\langle \bar{w}, u' \rangle$ is the result of applying $\bar{y} * y$ to w with it. map $\bar{\pi}\pi$.

Lemma 8 Let $N = \langle J_r^E, u, v \rangle$ be a double beaver. Let $y = \langle N_i \mid i < \theta \rangle$ be applicable, where $\lim(\theta)$. Then
 (a) $N_\theta = \lim_i N_i$ is well founded
 (b) $y^* = \langle N_i \mid i \leq \theta \rangle$ is applicable.

proof of Lemma 8.

Let W be universal s.t. $J_\gamma^{E^W} = J_\gamma^E$.

Assume w.l.o.g. that $E_\gamma^W = \emptyset$ and that X is massive in W .

Let $\langle W_i, U_i, V_i \rangle_{(i < \theta)}$ be the application of γ to W with iteration maps π_{ij} . We shall use the proof methods of Lemmas 5, 6. Set:

$M = \langle J_E^{E^M}, \emptyset \rangle$, where

$$J_E^{E^M} = \bigcup_i J_{K_i}^{E^{W_i}} = \bigcup_i J_{V_i}^{E^{W_i}}$$

Then M is a strong move by the sequence lemma. Hence the coiteration of M, W must terminate. Coiterate M, W to M', W' .

Then M' is a simple iterate of M .

But W' is a simple iterate of W by the strengthen of M .

(Let $\tilde{W} \upharpoonright \kappa = M$ with \tilde{W} universal.

An initial part of the coiteration of $\tilde{W}; W$ yields \tilde{W}', W' . But no truncation can occur).

Set $\kappa'_i = \pi_{MM'}(\kappa_i)$.

Coiterate w'_i, w_i to w'_i ($i < 0$),

Since $w_i|\kappa_i = M|\kappa_i$, an initial part of this coiteration recapitulates the coiteration of $w'_i|\kappa'_i, M$, hence of $M'|\kappa'_i, M$ and we have:

$$(1) \pi_{w_i w'_i} \cap \kappa_i = \pi_{MM'} \cap \kappa_i.$$

Since $M'|\kappa'_i = w'_i|\kappa'_i$ is not moved in this coiteration, we have:

$$(2) \pi_{w'_i w'_i} \cap \kappa'_i = \text{id}.$$

Now let $\tilde{\kappa}_i = \pi_{o_i}(\kappa)$, $\tilde{\nu}_i = \pi_{o_i}(v)$

$$\tilde{\kappa}'_i = \pi_{w_i w'_i}(\tilde{\kappa}_i), \tilde{\nu}'_i = \pi_{w_i w'_i}(\tilde{\nu}_i).$$

$$(3) \pi_{w w'_i} \cap \kappa = \pi_{w_i w'_i} \pi_{o_i} \cap \kappa \quad (i < 0)$$

proof.

If $\kappa_h < \tilde{\kappa}_h$ for $h < i$, then

$\pi_{o_i} = \pi_{w w'_i}$ is a simple weak

iteration + hence $\pi_{w w'_i} = \pi_{w_i w'_i} \pi_{o_i}$.

Otherwise let $i_0 < i$ be least

$$\text{ s.t. } \kappa_{i_0} = \tilde{\kappa}_{i_0}.$$

Then $\pi_{WW'} \upharpoonright \kappa = \pi_{\kappa_i} \upharpoonright \kappa = \pi_{\kappa_i} \upharpoonright \kappa$,
 since $\pi_{\kappa_i} \upharpoonright \kappa_i = \text{id}$. But
 $\pi_{W_i W'_i} \upharpoonright \kappa_i = \pi_{MM'} \upharpoonright \kappa_i$ and
 $\pi_{MM'} \upharpoonright \kappa_{i_0} = \text{id}$, since M is
 not moved in the first i_0 steps
 of the construction of W, M .
 QED (3)

Set:

$$X^* = \{x \in X \mid x = \pi_{\kappa_i}(x) = \pi_{WW'_i}(x) \text{ for all } i < \theta\}.$$

Then X is massive in W_i, W'_i .

Set:

$$Y'_i = \text{the } \Sigma_1(w')\text{-closure of}$$

$$X^* \cup \pi_{WW'}^{-1}(\kappa) \cup \{\kappa'_h \mid h < i\} \quad (i \leq \theta)$$

For $\vec{x} \in X^*$, $\vec{x} < n$, $\vec{x} < \kappa_i$ we have:

$$w' \models \varphi(\vec{x}, \pi_{WW'_i}(\vec{x}), \pi_{MM'}(\vec{x})) \leftrightarrow$$

$$w'_i \models \varphi(\vec{x}, \pi_{WW'_i}(\vec{x}), \pi_{W_i W'_i}(\vec{x})) \leftrightarrow$$

$$w_i \models \varphi(\vec{x}, \pi_{\kappa_i}(\vec{x}), \vec{x}) \text{ for } i < \theta$$

by (1), (2), (3). Hence for $i < \theta$:

(4) $Y'_i \simeq Y_i =_{\text{pt}} \text{the } \Sigma_1(w_i) -$
 - closure of $X^* \cup \pi_{0,i}^{-1} n \cup \{\kappa_n \mid n < i\}$.

For $i \leq j \leq \theta$ set:

(5) $\bar{\pi}_i : \bar{w}_i \xrightarrow{\sim} Y'_i$ with \bar{w}_i transitive;

$$\bar{\pi}_{ij} = \bar{\pi}_j^{-1} \bar{\pi}_i.$$

Then $\bar{w}_i = \int_{\infty}^{\bar{E}^i}$ is a universal wearel.

By (4) there is:

(6) $\tilde{\pi}_i : \bar{w}_i \xrightarrow{\sim} Y_i$ a.t.

$$\bar{\pi}_{ij} = \tilde{\pi}_j^{-1} \pi_{ij} \tilde{\pi}_i.$$

Clearly the $\bar{\pi}_{ij}$ commute and are continuous at limits. Set:

$\delta' =$ the least $\delta \in Y'_0$ a.t. $\delta \geq \tilde{\kappa}'_0$

$\delta_i = \dots \delta \in Y_i$ a.t. $\delta \geq \tilde{\kappa}_i$.

But then for $\vec{z} \in X^*$ we have:

$$W \models \lambda \vec{z} < \kappa \ (t(\vec{z}, \vec{z}) < \delta_0 \rightarrow t(\vec{z}, \vec{z}) < \kappa),$$

Hence:

$$W_i \models \lambda \vec{z} < \tilde{\kappa}_i \ (t(\vec{z}, \vec{z}) < \pi_{0i}(\delta_0) \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow t(\vec{z}, \vec{z}) < \tilde{\kappa}_i),$$

where $\pi_{0,i}(\delta_0) \in Y_i$ (since $\pi_{0,i}''Y_0 \subset Y_i$
by the def of Y_i). Hence:

$$(7) \quad \pi_{0,i}(\delta_0) = \delta_i \quad (i < 0)$$

Since $\kappa \in Y_0$ we have:

$$(8) \quad J_Y^{E\bar{W}_0} = J_Y^E,$$

since the models coincide up to κ
and $\nu = \kappa + w$. (This \neq would
mean a truncation in the coit-
eration of W, \bar{W}_0). Clearly:

$$(9) \quad \tilde{\pi}_0^{-1}(\delta_0) = \bar{\pi}^{-1}(\delta') = \kappa.$$

Set: $\nu_i^* = \delta_i + w_i$; $\sigma = \sigma_0 = \bar{\pi} \uparrow J_Y^E$.

Then:

$$(10) \quad \sigma: J_Y^E \rightarrow \sum_{Y_i^*} J_{Y_i^*}^E.$$

Since in W :

$$\lambda \vec{z} < n \left(J_Y^E \models \varphi(\vec{z}, \vec{\gamma}) \right) \iff J_{Y_0^*}^E \models \varphi(\vec{z}, \sigma(\vec{\gamma}))$$

for $\vec{\gamma} < \nu$, we have in W_i :

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda \vec{z} < \tilde{\pi}_i \left(J_{Y_i^*}^E \models \varphi(\vec{z}, \pi_{0,i}(\vec{\gamma})) \right) &\iff \\ &\iff J_{Y_i^*}^E \models \varphi(\vec{z}, \pi_{0,i}\sigma(\vec{\gamma})). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we may define

$$\sigma_i : \tilde{J}_{V_i}^{E^i} \rightarrow \sum_{\lambda} V_i^*$$

$$\text{by } \sigma_i(t(\pi_{0i}(\vec{\gamma}), \vec{\kappa}_h)_{\tilde{J}_{V_i}^{E^i}}) =$$

$$= t(\pi_{0i}\sigma(\vec{\gamma}), \vec{\kappa}_h)_{\sum_{\lambda} V_i^*}$$

for $\vec{\gamma} < r$, $\vec{h} < i$.

Repeating (11) in the proof of Lemma 6 we get:

$$(11) \quad \sigma_i = \tilde{\pi}_i \upharpoonright \tilde{J}_{V_i}^{E^i}.$$

Hence, as in (12) of Lemma 6:

$$(12) \quad \tilde{\pi}_{i+1} \upharpoonright \tilde{V}_i = \tilde{\pi}_{i+1} \upharpoonright \tilde{V}_i.$$

It follows then exactly as in Lemma 5 that (\bar{W}_i, u_i, v_i) ($i < 0$) is the application of γ to \bar{W}_0 .

But $\bar{W}_0 = \lim_{i < 0} \bar{W}_i$.

QED (Lemma 8)

Cor 9.1 Let N be a double beaver.
Then N is normally, simply iterable
and any such iteration is
applicable.

pft. Suppose not.

There is at least θ s.t. an iteration
 $y = \langle N_i \mid i < \theta \rangle$ is either non
applicable or non continuable.

Then $\theta = \delta + 1$ by lemma 8.

Let w be universal s.t. $J^E_N = J^E_w$
($N = \langle J^E, u_0, u_1 \rangle$) and let

$\langle w', u'_0, u'_1 \rangle$ be the result of
applying y to w . We claim
that w' is extendible by $E_e^{(w'_0, u'_0, u'_1)}$

for all indices e . Only $e = \langle 0, h \rangle$

($h = 0, 1$) is problematic. We

observe that by lemma 7,

$y * y'$ is applicable, where

y' is the 1-step iteration of
 N with index $\langle 0, h \rangle$.

QED (Cor 9.1)

Cor 9.2 Let N be a double beaver.
Then N is \ast -iterable.

proof

By Cor 9.1 there is a normal simple iterate N' of N all of whose measures are ω -complete. Hence N' is \ast -iterable. Hence so is N since $\pi: N \xrightarrow{\Sigma^\ast} N'$, where π is the iteration map.

QED (Cor 9.2)

By the bicephalic lemma we conclude:

Cor 9.3 Let $N = \langle J^E, u, v \rangle$ be a double beaver. Then $u = v$.

Thus we, in fact, need only consider single beavers. The previous lemmas translate

straightforwardly into lemmas on single beavers.

Cor 9.4 Let $N = \langle J_\gamma^E, U \rangle$ be a beaver. Let w be universal st. $J_\gamma^{E^w} = J_\gamma^E$. Then $\langle w, U \rangle$ is \ast -iterable.

pf.

Case 1 $E_\gamma^w \neq \emptyset$,

Then $w|v$ is a beaver & hence $E_\gamma^w = U$ by Cor 9.3. But w is iterable.

Case 2 Case 1 fails.

Let γ be a normal simple st. of N to N' in which all meanders are ω -complete. Let $\langle w', U' \rangle$ be the result of applying N' to w' . Let w'' be a result of iterating

above v' ($N' = \langle J_v^{E'}, u' \rangle$) so as to make all remaining measures ω -complete. Then all measures in $\langle w'', u' \rangle$ are ω -complete. The usual proofs show that $\langle w'', u' \rangle$ - and with it $\langle w, u \rangle$ - is iterable. QED (Cor 9.4)

The following lemma establishes the uniqueness property needed to define K :

Lemma 10 Let $\langle J_v^E, u \rangle, \langle J_v^E, v \rangle$ be strong at $u, v \neq \emptyset$. Then $u = v$.
Proof:

Suppose not. Let w be universal at $w \upharpoonright v = \langle J_v^E, u \rangle$,

Case 1 ν is a cardinal in W .

Then $\langle j_\nu^E, u \rangle$ is a beaver. If
 W' is universal s.t. $W'|_\nu = \langle j_\nu^E, v \rangle$
 Then a comparison of W, W' shows
 that ν is a card. in W' & hence
 $\langle j_\nu^E, v \rangle$ is a beaver. Hence $u = v$
 by Cor 9.3.

Case 2 Case 1 fails.

There are mice M, M' extending
 $\langle j_\nu^E, u \rangle, \langle j_\nu^E, v \rangle$ resp. s.t.
 $p_M^\omega, p_{M'}^\omega \leq \kappa$, where u, v are
 measures on κ , and ν is a cardinal
 in M, M' . Coiterate M, M' to
 \tilde{M}, \tilde{M}' .

Claim Both sides of the coiteration
 are simple.

Suppose not. Let \tilde{M} be simple &
 \tilde{M}' non simple. \tilde{M} is not sound,
 since we iterated by $u = E_{j_\nu^{\tilde{M}}}$ at
 the first step. Hence \tilde{M} is not
 a proper initial segment of \tilde{M}' .

Hence $\tilde{M} = \tilde{M}'$. Hence $\rho_{\tilde{M}}^\omega, \leq \kappa$. Hence κ is not a cardinal in M' .

Contr! QED (Claim)

But then $\rho_{\tilde{M}}^\omega, \rho_{\tilde{M}'}^\omega \leq \kappa$. Hence neither is a proper segment of the other and $\tilde{M} = \tilde{M}'$. Hence $\text{core}(M) = \text{core}(\tilde{M}) = \text{core}(\tilde{M}') = \text{core}(M')$. Hence $\langle \cup^E, \in \rangle = \text{core}(M) \upharpoonright \nu = \text{core}(M') \upharpoonright \nu = \langle \cup^E, \in \rangle$.

QED (formula 10)

Cor 10.1 K exists.

In order to develop fully the properties of K we shall need the following lemma:

Lemma 11 Let $N = \langle \mathcal{J}_r^E, u \rangle$ be a beaver.
Then N is strong.

Proof.

N is a mouse by Lemma 9.2. Let w be universal and let $\mathcal{J}_r^{Ew} = \mathcal{J}_r^E$.

Assume $E_r^w = \emptyset$, since otherwise $E_r^w = u$ and there is nothing to prove. We also assume w.l.o.g. that there is $x \in \omega$ which is massive in w . Let $\langle N_i : i \leq \bar{\theta} \rangle$, $\langle w_i : i \leq \bar{\theta} \rangle$ be the coiteration of N, w with indices r_i, n_i . Then the N -side of the coiteration is simple. But then no is the w -side, since otherwise there would be a least i with

$v_i < n_i + w_i$. But there is a

universal w' with $\mathcal{J}_{r_i}^{Ew'} = \mathcal{J}_{r_i}^{EN_i}$

hence $v_i = n_i + w'_i$, since N_i is a beaver. Hence the coiteration

of w', w_i involves a truncation.

Contradiction! Let $\theta > \bar{\theta}$ be regular and continue the

iterations to $\langle N_i | i \leq \theta \rangle$, $\langle w_i | i \leq \theta \rangle$ with indices ν_i , v_i defined by;
 $\nu_i = \text{On} \cap N_i$ (hence $v_i = \pi_{W_\theta - W_i}(\nu_\theta - 1)$)
for $i \geq \bar{\theta}$. Now let $\langle \tilde{w}_i, u_i \rangle (i < \theta)$ be the application of $\langle N_i | i < \theta \rangle$ to w_θ with iteration maps $\tilde{\pi}_{ij}$.

Note that

$$(1) \quad \tilde{\pi}_{\theta i}(\theta) = \theta \quad \text{for } i < \theta,$$

since θ is regular.

Coiterate \tilde{w}_i , w_θ to w_i^* .

Claim $\pi_{W_\theta w_i^*}(\theta) = \pi_{\tilde{w}_i w_i^*}(\theta) = \theta$,

proof of Claim.

Set $\tilde{N}_i = \tilde{w}_i | \theta^+ = \tilde{\pi}_{\theta i}(N_\theta) \quad (\theta^+ =_{\text{df}} \theta + \tilde{w}_i)$

(2) \tilde{N}_i is a simple iterate of N

Proof

Let w' be obtained by applying

$y = \langle N_i | i < \theta \rangle$ to w . Then w'

coincides with w_θ up to

$\gamma_\theta =_{\text{df}} \text{On} \cap N_\theta = \theta^{+w_\theta}$. Let w''

be obtained by applying

$y_i = \langle N_n \mid n \leq i \rangle$ to w' with iteration map π . Then $\tilde{N}_i = \langle J_{v'}^{E^w}, u'' \rangle$

where $v' = \pi'(v_0)$ and $u'' = \bigcup_{x \in U_0} \pi'(x \cap U_0)$. But by

Cor 7.1 we have: $\langle w'', u'' \rangle$ is the result of applying $y_i * y$ to w and \tilde{N}_i is the final iterate of $y_i * y$. QED (2)

Hence:

(3) \tilde{N}_i, N_0 have a common simple iterate.

Now let $\langle w_j^0 \mid j \leq \Gamma \rangle, \langle w_j^1 \mid j \leq \Gamma \rangle$ ($\Gamma \leq \infty$) be the coiteration of $w^0 = w_0, w^1 = \tilde{w}_i$ with indices κ_j^*, κ_i^* . Then $w_i^* = w_\Gamma^0 = w_\Gamma^1$ is a common simple iterate of w^0, w^1 . Let $\gamma \leq \Gamma$ be maximal s.t. $\kappa_i^* < \theta$ for all $i < \gamma$. Set:

$$N^0 = N_0, N^1 = \tilde{N}_i, N_i^h = \overline{\pi}_{w_0^h w_i^h} (N^h)$$

for $i \leq \aleph$, $h = 0, 1$. Then $\langle N_i^h \mid i \leq \aleph \rangle$ ($h = 0, 1$) is an initial part of the coiteration of N^0, N^1 . Now set: $Q^h = N^h \mid \theta$; $Q_i^h = N_i^h \mid \theta$ ($h = 0, 1, i < \aleph$). Then

$\langle Q_i^h \mid i < \aleph \rangle$ is an initial part of the coiteration of Q^0, Q^1 .

Clearly:

$$(2) \quad W^0 \mid \theta = W^1 \mid \theta;$$

hence:

$$(3) \quad \int_{\gamma^*}^{E^{W^0}} = \int_{\gamma^*}^{E^{W^1}} \text{ where}$$

$$\gamma^* = \theta + W_{\aleph}^0 = \theta + W_{\aleph}^1,$$

since otherwise the coiteration of $W_{\aleph}^0, W_{\aleph}^1$ would involve a truncation.

Since θ is regular and $\#(\tau) \wedge Q^h < \theta$ for $\tau < \theta$, the structure

$\langle H_\theta, Q^0, Q^1 \rangle$ satisfies enough of ZFC that we can carry

out the proof of §3.1 Lemma 1.4
to show that for at least one
 $h = 0, 1$, we have:

$$(4) \pi_{Q_i^h Q_j^h}^h > \lambda \text{ for } \lambda \leq i < j$$

for a sub set of $\lambda < \theta$;

hence:

$$(5) \pi_{W_i^h W_j^h}(\theta) = \theta.$$

Now suppose that (4) fails
for some $h = 0, 1$. Then by the
proof of §3.1 Lemma 1.4 we have:

(6) There is a sub $C \subset \theta$ s.t.

$$\pi_{Q_i^h Q_j^h}^h(\kappa_i) = \kappa_j \text{ for } i \leq j, i, j \in C,$$

hence:

$$(7) \pi_{W_i^h W_j^h}(\kappa_i) = \theta \text{ for } i \in C.$$

In either case we have

$$(8) E_{\gamma^*}^{W_j^h} \neq \emptyset,$$

Hence by (3) and Cor. 9.3 we
conclude:

$$(9) \quad w_{\gamma}^0 \mid r^* = w_{\gamma}^1 \mid r^*.$$

Hence $\gamma_1 > r^*$ and

$$(10) \quad \pi_{w^h, w_{\gamma}^h}(\theta) = \pi_{w^h, w_{\gamma}}(\theta).$$

But then (7) cannot hold,
since we would then have:

$$N_{\gamma}^{1-h} = w_{\gamma}^{1-h} \mid r^* \text{ is a proper}$$

initial segment of N_{γ}^h ,

contradicting (3). Thus (5)

hold for $h=0, 1$ and hence by

$$(10) \text{ we have: } \pi_{w^h, w_{\gamma}^h}(\theta) = \theta.$$

QED (Claim)

Recall that X is massive in W .

Set:

$$(11) \quad X^* = \text{the set of } x \in X \text{ s.t.}$$

$$x = \pi_{ww_i^*}(x) = \pi_{\tilde{w}_i w_i^*} \tilde{\pi}_{oi} \pi_{ww_0}(x) \text{ for } i < \theta.$$

[Note we do not know that

$$\pi_{\tilde{w}_i w_i^*} \tilde{\pi}_{oi} \pi_{ww_0} = \pi_{ww_i^*}].$$

Then X^* is massive in w, w_θ, \tilde{w}_i and w_i^* for $i < \theta$. Set:

$$Y = \text{the } \sum_1 (w_\theta) - \text{closure of } X^* \cup \kappa \cup \{\theta\}$$

($\kappa = \text{the largest cardinal in } N = \langle \cup^E, \in \rangle$)

$$(12) \quad Y \cap [\kappa, \theta] = \emptyset$$

pf.

Suppose not. Let $\vec{s} = t^{w_\theta}(\vec{\lambda}, \vec{\gamma}, \theta) \in Y \cap [\kappa, \theta]$ where $\vec{\lambda} \in X^*, \vec{\gamma} < \kappa$.

Pick $i \in [\bar{\theta}, \theta)$ s.t. $\vec{s} < \kappa_i$. Then

$$w_i^* \models \vec{s} = t(\vec{\lambda}, \vec{\gamma}, \theta),$$

$$\text{since } \pi_{\tilde{w}_i w_i^*}(\vec{s}, \vec{\lambda}, \vec{\gamma}, \theta) = \vec{s}, \vec{\lambda}, \vec{\gamma}, \theta.$$

But then

$$\tilde{w}_i \models \vec{s} = t(\vec{\lambda}, \vec{\gamma}, \theta), \text{ since}$$

$$\pi_{\tilde{w}_i w_i^*}(\vec{s}, \vec{\lambda}, \vec{\gamma}, \theta) = \vec{s}, \vec{\lambda}, \vec{\gamma}, \theta,$$

$$\text{Hence } \tilde{w}_i \models t(\vec{\lambda}, \vec{\gamma}, \theta) < \kappa_i.$$

$$\text{Hence } w_\theta \models t(\vec{\lambda}, \vec{\gamma}, \theta) < \kappa,$$

since:

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$$\tilde{\pi}_{\alpha_i}(\kappa, \vec{\alpha}, \vec{\gamma}, \theta) = \kappa_i, \vec{\alpha}, \vec{\gamma}, \theta.$$

Hence $\exists = t^{w_\theta}(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\gamma}, \theta) < n$. Contrad!

QED(12).

Now let $\sigma: \hat{W} \leftrightarrow Y$ where \hat{W} is transitive. Then \hat{W} is universal and $\hat{W}|\kappa = W|\kappa$; hence
 (13) $\nu = \kappa + \hat{W}$ and $J_Y^{E\hat{W}} = J_\nu^{EW}$,
 since otherwise the construction of \hat{W}, W would involve a truncation. Hence by Cor 9.3

$$(14) \quad \hat{W}|\nu = N.$$

Thus N is strong.

QED(lemma 11)