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Cichoń's Diagram for uncountable cardinals

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Abstract

We develop a version of Cichoń's diagram for cardinal invariants on the generalized Cantor space 2^κ or the generalized Baire space κ^κ where κ is an uncountable regular cardinal. For strongly inaccessible κ , many of the ZFC-results about the order relationship of the cardinal invariants which hold for ω generalize; for example we obtain a natural generalization of the Bartoszyński-Raisonnier-Stern Theorem. We also prove a number of independence results, both with $< \kappa$ -support iterations and κ -support iterations and products, showing that we consistently have strict inequality between some of the cardinal invariants.

1 Introduction

Cardinal invariants of the continuum are cardinal numbers which are usually defined as the minimal size of a set of reals with a certain property – and thus describe the combinatorial structure of the real line – and which typically take values between the first uncountable cardinal \aleph_1 and the cardinality of the continuum \mathfrak{c} . Some of the most important cardinal invariants characterize the structure of the σ -ideals \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{N} of meager and Lebesgue measure zero (null) sets, respectively. The order relationship between these cardinals, as well as the closely related bounding and dominating numbers \mathfrak{b} and \mathfrak{d} , was intensively investigated in the 1980's and is usually displayed in *Cichoń's diagram*. (See Section 2 for definitions and for the diagram.) The deepest result in this context is the Bartoszyński-Raisonnier-Stern Theorem (see [Ba1], [RS], or [BJ, Theorem 2.3.1]) which says that if the union of any family of κ many null sets is null, then the union of any family of κ many meager sets is meager. In symbols, this is $\text{add}(\mathcal{N}) \leq \text{add}(\mathcal{M})$, and the same proof yields the dual inequality $\text{cof}(\mathcal{M}) \leq \text{cof}(\mathcal{N})$. Cichoń's diagram is complete in the sense that any assignment of the

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cardinals \aleph_1 and \aleph_2 which does not contradict the diagram is consistent with ZFC, the axioms of set theory [BJ, Sections 7.5 and 7.6].

Starting in the 1990's, variations of Cichoń's diagram have been investigated. For example, Pawlikowski and Reclaw (see [PR] or [Ba2, Theorem 3.11]) established that the Galois-Tukey morphisms between triples underlying the proofs of the inequalities between cardinal invariants can all be taken to be continuous maps, thus obtaining a parametrized version of Cichoń's diagram which also makes sense in the context of the continuum hypothesis CH. (See the end of Section 2 for details on Galois-Tukey connections.) Both the classical Cichoń diagram and a Cichoń diagram for small sets of reals are consequences of this parametrized Cichoń diagram. More recently, Ng, Nies, and the first two authors of the present paper [BBNN] developed a Cichoń diagram for highness properties in the Turing degrees.

In this paper, we attempt to generalize Cichoń's diagram in another direction: instead of looking at the Cantor space 2^ω or the Baire space ω^ω , we consider the *generalized Cantor space* 2^κ or the *generalized Baire space* κ^κ , where κ is a regular uncountable cardinal. Most of the combinatorial cardinal invariants can easily be redefined in this context. Moreover, the meager ideal \mathcal{M} on 2^ω has a natural analogue \mathcal{M}_κ on 2^κ if we equip 2^κ with the $< \kappa$ -box topology and call a subset of 2^κ κ -meager if it is a κ -union of nowhere dense sets in this topology. It is unclear, however, how the null ideal \mathcal{N} should be generalized to 2^κ . Fortunately, most of the cardinals in the classical Cichoń diagram have rather simple characterizations in purely combinatorial terms [BJ, Chapter 2], and to obtain a version of Cichoń's diagram for uncountable regular κ containing analogues of at least some of the cardinals related to Lebesgue measure, we generalize these combinatorial characterizations. This allows us to prove, for example, a version of the Bartoszyński-Raisonnier-Stern Theorem which holds for strongly inaccessible κ (see Theorem 40 and Corollary 41 in Section 3).

It turns out that for extending some of the inequalities in Cichoń's diagram – and the equalities establishing the combinatorial characterizations of some of the cardinals – additional assumptions on κ are necessary. First of all, if $2^{<\kappa} > \kappa$, then some of the cardinals are equal to κ^+ while $2^{<\kappa}$ is a lower bound for others so that the diagram is somewhat degenerate. For this reason, we mainly focus on the case $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$. But even then it is unclear whether all inequalities generalize; for example, we do not know whether $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \mathfrak{b}_\kappa$ holds for successor κ (Question 29). Fortunately, if κ additionally is inaccessible, then a close analogue of Cichoń's diagram can be redrawn and, furthermore, combinatorial characterizations of some of the cardinals also generalize. (See the end of Section 3 for the diagram.)

A much harder problem is the generalization of independence results about the order-relationship between the cardinals. For cardinal invariants \mathfrak{r} and $\mathfrak{\eta}$ describing 2^ω (or ω^ω), the consistency of $\mathfrak{r} < \mathfrak{\eta}$ typically is shown either by a long finite support iteration (fsi) of ccc forcing over a model of CH, making $\mathfrak{\eta} = \mathfrak{c}$ large while preserving $\mathfrak{r} = \aleph_1$, by a short fsi of ccc forcing over a model of MA $+\neg$ CH, preserving $\mathfrak{\eta} = \mathfrak{c}$ and making \mathfrak{r} small, or by an \aleph_2 -stage countable support iteration (csi) of proper forcing over a model of CH, making $\mathfrak{\eta} = \mathfrak{c} = \aleph_2$ and

preserving $\mathfrak{r} = \aleph_1$. Assuming $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$, these methods naturally generalize to 2^κ (or κ^κ), the former two to $<\kappa$ -support iteration of κ^+ -cc and $<\kappa$ -closed forcing, and, under $2^\kappa = \kappa^+$, the latter to κ -support iteration of κ^{++} -cc, $<\kappa$ -closed forcing preserving κ^+ . The main obstacle is that, unlike for $\kappa = \omega$, in neither case do we have *preservation results* [BJ, Chapter 6], proved in an iterative fashion, and saying that \mathfrak{r} stays small (for the first and third type of models) or that \mathfrak{h} stays large (for the second type of models). The problem is that when attempting to generalize the inductive proofs of such preservation results, we run into trouble at limit stages of cofinality $<\kappa$, a case that does not appear for $\kappa = \omega$. A natural approach for getting around this problem is to show directly that the whole iteration has the necessary preservation property and, indeed, this sometimes can be done, both for $<\kappa$ -support constructions (Theorem 60 in Section 4 where we use the appropriate generalization of centeredness) and for κ -support constructions (Main Lemma 69 and Theorem 70 in Section 5 where we show directly that products (and iterations) of Sacks forcing satisfy the appropriate generalization of the Sacks property). A further problem is that in some cases (e.g., generalized Hechler forcing, Subsection 4.2), we even don't know whether the single-step forcing has the property needed for preservation.

As a consequence, we are still far from knowing whether our diagram (for strongly inaccessible κ) is complete in the sense that it shows all ZFC-results. Another interesting question we do not consider in our work is the problem of global consistency results, see e.g. [CS] or [FT].

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we introduce the basic cardinal invariants, present the classical Cichoń diagram and give an outline of the theory of Galois-Tukey connections. In Section 3, we prove all ZFC-results leading to our version of Cichoń's diagram for strongly inaccessible κ . We try to work with the weakest assumption in each case, establishing some results for arbitrary regular uncountable κ and some for such κ with $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$. We also include a brief discussion of what happens if $2^{<\kappa} > \kappa$. Section 4 is about iterations with support of size $<\kappa$ of κ^+ -cc forcing. We discuss the effect of generalizations of Cohen forcing, Hechler forcing, and localization forcing on the diagram and also present some models for the degenerate case $2^{<\kappa} > \kappa$ (see in particular Theorem 49 which answers a question of Matet and Shelah [MS]). The final Section 5 deals with iterations and products with support of size κ . We mainly investigate how generalized Sacks forcing and generalized Miller forcing change the cardinal invariants.

2 Preliminaries

Let κ be an uncountable regular cardinal. Endow the space of functions 2^κ with the topology generated by the sets of the form $[s] = \{f \in 2^\kappa : f \supseteq s\}$ for $s \in 2^{<\kappa}$.

We define the *generalized κ -meager sets* in 2^κ to be κ -unions of nowhere dense sets with respect to this topology. Recall that $A \subseteq 2^\kappa$ is nowhere dense if for every $s \in 2^{<\kappa}$ there exists $t \supseteq s$ such that $[t] \cap A = \emptyset$. It is well known

that the Baire category theorem can be lifted to the uncountable case, i.e. the intersection of κ many open dense sets is dense (see [FHK]). Let \mathcal{NWD}_κ denote the ideal of nowhere dense sets and \mathcal{M}_κ , the κ -ideal of κ -meager sets. Here an ideal on a set is a κ -ideal if it is closed under unions of size κ . Our goal is to generalize some of the cardinal invariants in Cichoń's Diagram.

Definition 1. If f, g are functions in κ^κ , we say that g eventually dominates f , and write $f <^* g$, if there exists an $\alpha < \kappa$ such that $f(\beta) < g(\beta)$ holds for all $\beta > \alpha$.

Definition 2. Let \mathcal{F} be a family of functions from κ to κ .

- \mathcal{F} is *dominating* if for all $g \in \kappa^\kappa$, there exists an $f \in \mathcal{F}$ such that $g <^* f$.
- \mathcal{F} is *unbounded* if for all $g \in \kappa^\kappa$, there exists an $f \in \mathcal{F}$ such that $f \not<^* g$.

Definition 3 (The unbounding and dominating numbers, \mathfrak{b}_κ and \mathfrak{d}_κ).

- $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa = \min\{|\mathcal{F}|: \mathcal{F} \text{ is an unbounded family of functions in } \kappa^\kappa\}$.
- $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa = \min\{|\mathcal{F}|: \mathcal{F} \text{ is a dominating family of functions in } \kappa^\kappa\}$.

When we refer to the cardinal invariants above in the case $\kappa = \omega$, we will just write \mathfrak{b} and \mathfrak{d} . It is well-known (see [CS, Lemma 6]) that $\kappa^+ \leq \mathfrak{b}_\kappa = cf(\mathfrak{b}_\kappa) \leq cf(\mathfrak{d}_\kappa) \leq \mathfrak{d}_\kappa \leq 2^\kappa$.

Say an ideal \mathcal{I} on a set X is *nontrivial* if $X \notin \mathcal{I}$ and $\bigcup \mathcal{I} = X$.

Definition 4 (Cardinal invariants associated to an ideal). Let \mathcal{I} be a nontrivial κ -ideal on a set X . We define:

- The *additivity number*: $\text{add}(\mathcal{I}) = \min\{|\mathcal{J}|: \mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathcal{I} \text{ and } \bigcup \mathcal{J} \notin \mathcal{I}\}$.
- The *covering number*: $\text{cov}(\mathcal{I}) = \min\{|\mathcal{J}|: \mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathcal{I} \text{ and } \bigcup \mathcal{J} = X\}$.
- The *cofinality number*:
 $\text{cof}(\mathcal{I}) = \min\{|\mathcal{J}|: \mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathcal{I} \text{ and for all } I \in \mathcal{I} \text{ there is a } J \in \mathcal{J} \text{ with } I \subseteq J\}$.
- The *uniformity number*: $\text{non}(\mathcal{I}) = \min\{|Y|: Y \subset X \text{ and } Y \notin \mathcal{I}\}$.

Provable ZFC inequalities in the case $\kappa = \omega$ and \mathcal{I} being the σ -ideals \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{N} of meager and null sets of the Cantor space 2^ω can be summarized in the well known Cichoń Diagram. Here an arrow (\rightarrow) means \leq .

We will recall and use the main results on Galois-Tukey connections (see [Bl]), to characterize the cardinal invariants defined above.

Definition 5. Let $\mathbb{A} = (A_-, A_+, A)$ where A_- and A_+ are two sets and A is a binary relation on $A_- \times A_+$. We define the *norm* of the triple \mathbb{A} , $\|\mathbb{A}\|$, as the smallest cardinality of any subset Y of A_+ such that every $x \in A_-$ is related by A to at least one element $y \in Y$. We also define the *dual* of \mathbb{A} , $\mathbb{A}^\perp = (A_+, A_-, \neg A)$ where $(x, y) \in \neg A$ if and only if $(y, x) \notin A$.

Then the cardinal invariants can be seen as norms of some specific triples:

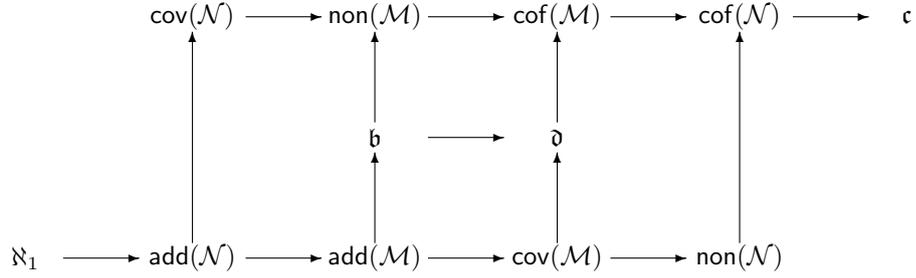


Figure 1: Cichoń's diagram

- If $\mathcal{D}_\kappa = (\kappa^\kappa, \kappa^\kappa, \leq^*)$, then $\|\mathcal{D}_\kappa\| = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa$ and $\|\mathcal{D}_\kappa^\perp\| = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa$.
- If $\text{Cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = (2^\kappa, \mathcal{M}_\kappa, \in)$, then $\|\text{Cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)\| = \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$ and $\|\text{Cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)^\perp\| = \text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$.
- If $\text{Cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = (\mathcal{M}_\kappa, \mathcal{M}_\kappa, \subseteq)$, then $\|\text{Cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)\| = \text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$ and $\|\text{Cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)^\perp\| = \text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$.

Definition 6. A morphism from $\mathbb{A} = (A_-, A_+, A)$ to $\mathbb{B} = (B_-, B_+, B)$ is a pair $\Phi = (\Phi_-, \Phi_+)$ of maps satisfying:

- $\Phi_- : B_- \rightarrow A_-$,
- $\Phi_+ : A_+ \rightarrow B_+$,
- for all $b \in B_-$ and $a \in A_+$, if $\Phi_-(b)Aa$ then $bB\Phi_+(a)$.

We write $\mathbb{A} \preceq \mathbb{B}$ if there is a morphism from \mathbb{A} to \mathbb{B} . If $\mathbb{A} \preceq \mathbb{B}$ and $\mathbb{B} \preceq \mathbb{A}$ we write $\mathbb{A} \equiv \mathbb{B}$.

Observation 7. $\mathbb{A} \preceq \mathbb{B}$, then $\|\mathbb{A}\| \geq \|\mathbb{B}\|$ and $\|\mathbb{A}^\perp\| \leq \|\mathbb{B}^\perp\|$.

Example 8. There are morphisms $\Phi : \text{Cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \preceq \text{Cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$ and $\Psi : \text{Cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \preceq \text{Cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)^\perp$ given by $\Phi = (S, \text{id})$ and $\Psi = (\text{id}, N)$ where $S(x) = \{x\}$ and for $M \in \mathcal{M}_\kappa$, $N(M)$ is some element of $2^\kappa \setminus M$.

Corollary 9. $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$ and $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$.

3 ZFC-results

3.1 Cardinal invariants of the meager ideal

In this subsection, we generalize results about the central part of Cichoń's diagram, namely about the cardinals related to the meager ideal as well as the bounding and dominating numbers, to uncountable regular κ . While our main

interest lies in the case κ is strongly inaccessible, we try to be as general as possible, also deal with successor κ satisfying $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$ – and even with the somewhat degenerate case when $2^{<\kappa} > \kappa$ (both for successors and (weakly) inaccessible). In each of these cases a lot is known, but there are also still many open questions which we list along with the results (Questions 20, 22, 24, 29, and 32 in this subsection, but see also Question 84).

We start with a characterization of the dominating and bounding numbers, which is just a straightforward generalization of a similar result in the countable case [Bl]. Assume $(i_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$ is a strictly increasing and continuous sequence of ordinals below κ with $i_0 = 0$. Then $I = (I_\alpha = [i_\alpha, i_{\alpha+1}) : \alpha < \kappa)$ is an interval partition of κ . Let IP be the family of such interval partitions.

Definition 10. We say that an interval partition $I = (I_\alpha = [i_\alpha, i_{\alpha+1}) : \alpha < \kappa)$ of κ *dominates* another interval partition $J = (J_\alpha = [j_\alpha, j_{\alpha+1}) : \alpha < \kappa)$ (and write $J \leq^* I$) if there is a $\gamma < \kappa$ such that for all $\alpha > \gamma$ there is some $\beta < \kappa$ such that $J_\beta \subseteq I_\alpha$.

Proposition 11. (Similar to [Bl, Theorem 2.10]) $\mathcal{D}_\kappa = (\kappa^\kappa, \kappa^\kappa, \leq^*) \equiv (\text{IP}, \text{IP}, \leq^*)$. In particular, if we let $\mathcal{D}'_\kappa = (\text{IP}, \text{IP}, \leq^*)$, then $\|\mathcal{D}'_\kappa\| = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa$ and $\|(\mathcal{D}'_\kappa)^\perp\| = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa$.

Proof. Define $\Phi_- : \text{IP} \rightarrow \kappa^\kappa$ by $\Phi_-(I)(\gamma) = i_{\alpha+2}$ where $\gamma \in I_\alpha = [i_\alpha, i_{\alpha+1})$, for $I \in \text{IP}$. Also let $\Phi_+(f) = (J_\alpha = [j_\alpha, j_{\alpha+1}) : \alpha < \kappa)$ be an interval partition such that $\gamma \leq j_\alpha$ implies $f(\gamma) < j_{\alpha+1}$, for $f \in \kappa^\kappa$. We use these functions for both inequalities.

To show $(\kappa^\kappa, \kappa^\kappa, \leq^*) \leq (\text{IP}, \text{IP}, \leq^*)$, assume $\Phi_-(I) \leq^* f$ for some $f \in \kappa^\kappa$ and $I \in \text{IP}$. Let α be so large that $\Phi_-(I)(j_\alpha) \leq f(j_\alpha)$. Fix β such that $j_\alpha \in I_\beta = [i_\beta, i_{\beta+1})$. Then $\Phi_-(I)(j_\alpha) = i_{\beta+2} \leq f(j_\alpha) < j_{\alpha+1}$. This means that the interval $I_{\beta+1}$ is contained in J_α , and $I \leq^* \Phi_+(f)$ follows.

For $(\text{IP}, \text{IP}, \leq^*) \leq (\kappa^\kappa, \kappa^\kappa, \leq^*)$, assume $\Phi_+(f) \leq^* I$. Let γ be so large that all intervals of I beyond and including the one containing γ contain an interval of $\Phi_+(f)$. Suppose that γ belongs to I_α and J_β . Since $\gamma < j_{\beta+1}$, this means $f(\gamma) < j_{\beta+2}$ and the latter must be less or equal than $i_{\alpha+2} = \Phi_-(I)(\gamma)$ because $I_{\alpha+1}$ contains an interval of J . Thus $f \leq^* \Phi_-(I)$ follows. \square

In order to prove some of the inequalities related to the cardinals associated to the ideal of κ -meager sets we will use the approach of Blass in [Bl].

Definition 12. A κ -chopped function is a pair (x, I) , where $x \in 2^\kappa$ and $I = (I_\alpha = [i_\alpha, i_{\alpha+1}) : \alpha < \kappa)$ is an interval partition of κ . A real $y \in 2^\kappa$ *matches* a κ -chopped function (x, I) if $x \upharpoonright I_\alpha = y \upharpoonright I_\alpha$ for cofinally many intervals $I_\alpha \in I$.

In the countable case it is possible to characterize meagerness in terms of chopped reals (see [Bl, 5.2]): in fact, a subset M of 2^ω is meager if and only if there is a ω -chopped function that no member of M matches.

Now, we present some of the results obtained by Blass, Hyttinen, and Zhang in [BHZ] that show that, in general, this is not the case when we go to the uncountable.

Definition 13. We say that a subset M of 2^κ is *combinatorially meager* if there is a κ -chopped function that no member of M matches. We call $\text{Match}(x, I)$ the set of functions in 2^κ matching the κ -chopped function (x, I) .

We include some proofs of the following results for the sake of completeness.

Observation 14. [BHZ, 4.6] *Every combinatorially meager set is meager.*

Proof. Let (x, I) be a κ -chopped function with interval partition $I = (I_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$. Note that for every $\beta < \kappa$, the set $\{y \in 2^\kappa : y \upharpoonright I_\alpha \neq x \upharpoonright I_\alpha \text{ for all } \alpha > \beta\}$ is nowhere dense in 2^κ . \square

Proposition 15. [BHZ, 4.7 and 4.8] *κ is strongly inaccessible if and only if every meager set is combinatorially meager.*

Proof. We only show the direction from left to right since we won't use the converse.

Assume κ is strongly inaccessible and let A be meager, that is, $A = \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} A_\alpha$ where the A_α form an increasing sequence of nowhere dense sets. Since $2^\alpha < \kappa$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$, we can recursively construct a continuous increasing sequence $(i_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$ of ordinals less than κ and a sequence of partial functions $(\sigma_\alpha \in 2^{[i_\alpha, i_{\alpha+1})} : \alpha < \kappa)$ such that for all $\tau \in 2^{i_\alpha}$, $[\tau \hat{\ } \sigma_\alpha] \cap A_\alpha = \emptyset$. If x is the concatenation of the σ_α , that is, $x \upharpoonright [i_\alpha, i_{\alpha+1}) = \sigma_\alpha$, and I is the interval partition given by the i_α , then no member of A matches (x, I) , and A is combinatorially meager. \square

Let CF denote the set of κ -chopped functions. In view of these results, we can identify $\text{Cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = (2^\kappa, \mathcal{M}_\kappa, \in)$ with $(2^\kappa, \text{CF}, \text{does not match})$ for strongly inaccessible κ – they are equivalent in the sense of Definition 6 – and we will use this for example in Corollary 19 below.

Definition 16. Let f and g be two functions from κ to κ . We say that f and g are *eventually different* (and write $f \neq^* g$) if $|\{\alpha < \kappa : f(\alpha) = g(\alpha)\}| < \kappa$. Otherwise we say f and g are *cofinally matching*. We define the following two cardinal invariants:

- $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*) = \min\{|\mathcal{F}| : (\forall g \in \kappa^\kappa)(\exists f \in \mathcal{F})(f \neq^* g)\}$.
- $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*) = \min\{|\mathcal{F}| : (\forall g \in \kappa^\kappa)(\exists f \in \mathcal{F})(f \neq^* g)\}$.

Considering the triple $\mathcal{E}_\kappa = (\kappa^\kappa, \kappa^\kappa, \neq^*)$, we see that $\|\mathcal{E}_\kappa\| = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*)$ and $\|\mathcal{E}_\kappa^\perp\| = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*)$

In the countable case the cardinal invariants defined above coincide with $\text{non}(\mathcal{M})$ and $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M})$, respectively. See [BJ, 2.4.A]. In the uncountable we still have the following:

Observation 17. $\mathfrak{D}_\kappa \preceq \mathcal{E}_\kappa \preceq \text{Cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$. In particular, $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa \leq \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*) \leq \text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$ and $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*) \leq \mathfrak{d}_\kappa$.

Proof. The first \preceq is straightforward. For the second, consider the meager ideal on κ^κ instead of 2^κ and let $\text{Cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = (\kappa^\kappa, \mathcal{M}_\kappa, \in)$. Then $\Phi_- = \text{id} : \kappa^\kappa \rightarrow \kappa^\kappa$ and $\Phi_+ : \kappa^\kappa \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_\kappa$ given by $\Phi_+(f) = \{g \in \kappa^\kappa : g \neq^* f\}$ witness $\mathcal{E}_\kappa \preceq \text{Cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$. For an argument with the space 2^κ , see [BHZ, Proposition 4.13]. \square

The following result is implicit in work of both Landver [Lan] and Blass-Hyttinen-Zhang [BHZ] (though detailed proofs are missing from both articles). We include the argument for the sake of completeness. As usual, for cardinals λ, μ , and ν , we let $\text{Fn}(\lambda, \mu, \nu)$ denote the set of partial functions from λ to μ with domain of size strictly less than ν .

Theorem 18. *Assume κ is strongly inaccessible. There are functions*

$$\Phi_- : \text{CF} \times \text{IP} \rightarrow ((\text{Fn}(\kappa, 2, \kappa))^{<\kappa})^\kappa$$

and

$$\Phi_+ : \text{IP} \times ((\text{Fn}(\kappa, 2, \kappa))^{<\kappa})^\kappa \rightarrow 2^\kappa$$

such that if $(x, I) \in \text{CF}$, $J \in \text{IP}$, and $y \in ((\text{Fn}(\kappa, 2, \kappa))^{<\kappa})^\kappa$ are such that cofinally many J_α contain an interval of I and $\Phi_-((x, I), J)(\beta) = y(\beta)$ for cofinally many β , then $\Phi_+(J, y)$ matches (x, I) .

Proof. Assume I and J are such that for cofinally many α , J_α contains an interval of I . Let $C = \{\alpha_\gamma : \gamma < \kappa\}$ be the enumeration of these α . That is, for $\gamma < \kappa$ there is $\delta_\gamma < \kappa$ such that $I_{\delta_\gamma} \subseteq J_{\alpha_\gamma}$. Put

$$\Phi_-((x, I), J)(\beta) = (x \upharpoonright I_{\delta_\gamma} : \gamma < \omega_{\beta+1})$$

for $\beta < \kappa$. For other I and J , the value of $\Phi_-((x, I), J)(\beta)$ is arbitrary.

$\Phi_+(J, y)$ will be defined recursively. At each stage at most one interval J_α of J will be considered and $\Phi_+(J, y) \upharpoonright J_\alpha$ will be defined. Suppose we are at stage $\beta < \kappa$. If $y(\beta)$ is a sequence of length $\omega_{\beta+1}$ of partial functions all of whose domains are included in distinct J_α 's, choose such J_α which has not been considered yet (this is possible by $|\beta| \leq \omega_\beta < \omega_{\beta+1}$). Then let $\Phi_+(J, y) \upharpoonright J_\alpha$ agree with the partial function from $y(\beta)$ whose domain is contained in J_α on its domain. If $y(\beta)$ is not of this form, do nothing. In the end, extend $\Phi_+(J, y)$ to a total function in 2^κ arbitrarily.

Now assume cofinally many J_α contain an interval of I and $\Phi_-((x, I), J)(\beta) = y(\beta)$ for cofinally many β . Fix such β . Then $y(\beta)$ is a sequence of length $\omega_{\beta+1}$ of partial functions all of whose domains are included in distinct J_α 's and thus, for some γ , $\Phi_+(J, y) \upharpoonright I_{\delta_\gamma}$ will agree with $x \upharpoonright I_{\delta_\gamma}$. For different such β we must get distinct γ , and therefore $\Phi_+(J, y)$ matches (x, I) . \square

Corollary 19. *Assume κ is strongly inaccessible.*

1. (Blass, Hyttinen, Zhang [BHZ, 4.12 and 4.13]) $\text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*)$.
2. (Landver [Lan]) $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*)$.

Proof. 1. In view of Observation 17, it suffices to prove $\text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*)$. Let $\mathcal{Y} \subseteq ((\text{Fn}(\kappa, 2, \kappa))^{<\kappa})^\kappa$ be a family of functions of size $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*)$ which is cofinally matching. Also let \mathcal{J} be an unbounded family of partitions of size $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa \leq \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*)$. We claim $\{\Phi_+(J, y) : J \in \mathcal{J} \text{ and } y \in \mathcal{Y}\}$ is nonmeager. Indeed, if $(x, I) \in \text{CF}$ and $J \in \mathcal{J}$ is unbounded over the partition given by taking unions of pairs of intervals of I , then cofinally many J_α contain an interval of I . If additionally $y \in \mathcal{Y}$ is such that $\Phi_-((x, I), J)(\beta) = y(\beta)$ for cofinally many β , then $\Phi_+(J, y)$ matches (x, I) and therefore does not belong to the meager set given by (x, I) .

2. It suffices to prove $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*) \leq \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$. Let $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \text{CF}$ of size $< \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*) \leq \mathfrak{d}_\kappa$. First choose $J \in \text{IP}$ such that cofinally many J_α contain an interval of I , for each I such that $(x, I) \in \mathcal{X}$ for some $x \in 2^\kappa$. Next choose $y \in ((\text{Fn}(\kappa, 2, \kappa))^{<\kappa})^\kappa$ such that for all $(x, I) \in \mathcal{X}$, $\Phi_-((x, I), J)(\beta) = y(\beta)$ for cofinally many β . Then $\Phi_+(J, y)$ matches (x, I) for all $(x, I) \in \mathcal{X}$, and therefore does not belong to any of the meager sets given by such (x, I) . \square

Shelah [Sh1] proved the consistency of $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) < \mathfrak{d}_\kappa$ for supercompact κ . We do not know whether the dual inequality is consistently strict.

Question 20. *Assume κ is strongly inaccessible (or even supercompact). Is $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa < \text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$ consistent?*¹

For successor cardinals, the situation is rather different.

Theorem 21. *Assume κ is a successor cardinal.*

1. (Hyttinen [Hy]) $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*) = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa$.
2. (Matet, Shelah [MS, Theorem 4.6]) *If $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$, then $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*) = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa$.*

Question 22. (Matet, Shelah [MS, Section 4], see also [KLLS, Question 3.8, part 1]) *Is it consistent that κ is a successor cardinal and $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*) < \mathfrak{d}_\kappa$?*

Observation 23. (i) *For $\sigma \in 2^{<\kappa}$, the set A_σ of all $x \in 2^\kappa$ such that $\tau \hat{\sigma} \not\subseteq x$ holds for all $\tau \in 2^{<\kappa}$ is nowhere dense.*

(ii) (Landver [Lan, 1.3]) $2^{<\kappa} > \kappa$ implies $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \kappa^+$.

(iii) (Blass, Hyttinen, Zhang [BHZ, 4.15]) $\text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \geq 2^{<\kappa}$.

Proof. (i) is immediate. For (ii), let $\lambda < \kappa$ be such that $2^\lambda > \kappa$. Then $2^\kappa = \bigcup\{A_\sigma : \sigma \in \Sigma\}$ for any $\Sigma \subseteq 2^\lambda$ with $|\Sigma| \geq \kappa^+$. For (iii), fix $X \subseteq 2^\kappa$ with $|X| < 2^{<\kappa}$. Let $\lambda < \kappa$ be such that $|X| < 2^\lambda$. Then $X \subseteq A_\sigma$ for some $\sigma \in 2^\lambda$. \square

As a consequence one obtains that $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa < \text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$ and $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) < \mathfrak{b}_\kappa$ are both consistent with $2^{<\kappa} > \kappa$: for the former, add κ^{++} Cohen reals over a model of GCH. For the latter, first force $2^\kappa = \kappa^{++} = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa$ by adding κ -Hechler generics in a κ^{++} -length iteration with $< \kappa$ -supports over a model of $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$

¹This question has been answered affirmatively in the meantime for supercompact κ , see [BGS].

and $2^\kappa = \kappa^+$, and then add κ^+ Cohen reals. In fact, if κ is successor, then by Theorem 21 one also has $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*) < \text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$ in the first model (see also [BHZ, 4.16]). We shall see that this is still true for (weakly) inaccessible κ and that one then also gets $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) < \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*)$ in the second model, see Theorem 49.

For successor κ with $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$ we do not know whether any of the two sets of three cardinals can be separated.

Question 24. (see also [MS, Section 4]) *Assume $\kappa = 2^{<\kappa}$ is a successor cardinal. Is $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa = \text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$ and $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa = \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$?*

Proposition 25. *Match(x, I) \subseteq Match(y, J) if and only if for all but $< \kappa$ -many intervals $I_\alpha \in I$ there exists an interval $J_\beta \in J$ such that $J_\beta \subseteq I_\alpha$ and $x \upharpoonright J_\beta = y \upharpoonright J_\beta$.*

Proof. For the implication from left to right we argue by contradiction. Suppose there are κ many intervals ($I_{\alpha_\gamma} : \gamma < \kappa$) in I such that for all $J_\beta \in J$ with $J_\beta \subseteq I_{\alpha_\gamma}$ for some γ , we have $x \upharpoonright J_\beta \neq y \upharpoonright J_\beta$. Then $x' \in \text{Match}(x, I) \setminus \text{Match}(y, J)$, where $x' : \kappa \rightarrow 2$ is defined by:

$$x'(\alpha) = \begin{cases} x(\alpha) & \alpha \in I_{\alpha_\gamma} \text{ for some } \gamma \\ 1 - y(\alpha) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

For the other direction let $z \in \text{Match}(x, I)$, then there are κ many intervals ($I_{\alpha_\gamma} : \gamma < \kappa$) in I such that $z \upharpoonright I_{\alpha_\gamma} = x \upharpoonright I_{\alpha_\gamma}$ for $\gamma < \kappa$. Without loss of generality we can suppose that for all γ there exists $J_{\beta_\gamma} \in J$ satisfying $J_{\beta_\gamma} \subseteq I_{\alpha_\gamma}$, and so $z \upharpoonright J_{\beta_\gamma} = x \upharpoonright J_{\beta_\gamma} = y \upharpoonright J_{\beta_\gamma}$, thus $z \in \text{Match}(y, J)$. \square

Definition 26. Let (x, I) and (y, J) be two κ -chopped functions. We say (x, I) *engulfs* (y, J) if $\text{Match}(x, I) \subseteq \text{Match}(y, J)$.

Since complements of sets of the form $\text{Match}(x, I)$ are meager and every meager set is contained in such a complement (see Observation 14 and Proposition 15) for strongly inaccessible κ , we see that $\text{Cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = (\mathcal{M}_\kappa, \mathcal{M}_\kappa, \subseteq) \equiv \text{Cof}'(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = (\text{CF}, \text{CF}, \text{is engulfed by})$. In particular, $\|\text{Cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)\| = \|\text{Cof}'(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)\| = \text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$ and $\|\text{Cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)^\perp\| = \|\text{Cof}'(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)^\perp\| = \text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$.

Corollary 27. *Assume κ is strongly inaccessible. Then $\text{Cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \preceq \mathcal{D}_\kappa$.*

Proof. By the previous proposition, if (x, I) engulfs (y, J) then I dominates J . Hence $\text{Cof}'(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \preceq \mathcal{D}'_\kappa$. By Proposition 11 and the previous comment $\text{Cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \preceq \mathcal{D}_\kappa$ follows. \square

Corollary 28. *Assume κ is strongly inaccessible. Then $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \mathfrak{b}_\kappa$ and $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa \leq \text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$.*

By Observation 23, $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \mathfrak{b}_\kappa$ also holds when $2^{<\kappa} > \kappa$.

Question 29. 1. *Assume κ is a successor cardinal with $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$. Is $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \mathfrak{b}_\kappa$?*

2. Assume κ is successor or $2^{<\kappa} > \kappa$. Is $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa \leq \text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$?²

Equip 2^κ with addition $+$ modulo 2. For $A \subseteq 2^\kappa$ and $y \in 2^\kappa$, let $A + y = \{x + y : x \in A\}$. If also $B \subseteq 2^\kappa$, put $A + B = \{x + y : x \in A \text{ and } y \in B\}$. Finally identify $\sigma \in 2^{<\kappa}$ with the function in 2^κ which agrees with σ on its domain and takes value 0 elsewhere.

Proposition 30. *Assume $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$. There are functions $\Phi_+ : 2^\kappa \times \kappa^\kappa \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_\kappa$ and $\Phi_- : 2^\kappa \times \mathcal{NWD}_\kappa \rightarrow \kappa^\kappa$ such that $x \notin B + 2^{<\kappa}$ and $f \geq^* \Phi_-(x, B)$ imply $B \subseteq \Phi_+(x, f)$.*

Recall here that \mathcal{NWD}_κ denotes the collection of nowhere dense subsets of 2^κ .

Proof. Let $\{\sigma_\beta : \beta < \kappa\}$ list $2^{<\kappa}$. Put

$$\Phi_+(x, f) = \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} \bigcap_{\beta \geq \alpha} 2^\kappa \setminus [(\sigma_\beta + x) \upharpoonright f(\beta)].$$

This is clearly a meager set. For $x \notin B + 2^{<\kappa}$ let $\Phi_-(x, B)(\alpha)$ be such that $B \cap [(\sigma_\alpha + x) \upharpoonright \Phi_-(x, B)(\alpha)] = \emptyset$. If $x \in B + 2^{<\kappa}$, the definition of $\Phi_-(x, B)$ is irrelevant.

Now assume $x \notin B + 2^{<\kappa}$ and $f \geq^* \Phi_-(x, B)$. Let $y \in B$. Then $y \notin [(\sigma_\alpha + x) \upharpoonright \Phi_-(x, B)(\alpha)]$ for all α . Since $f \geq^* \Phi_-(x, B)$, there is α such that $y \in 2^\kappa \setminus [(\sigma_\beta + x) \upharpoonright f(\beta)]$ for all $\beta \geq \alpha$. Thus $y \in \Phi_+(x, f)$ as required. \square

Corollary 31. 1. $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \geq \min\{\mathfrak{b}_\kappa, \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)\}$.

2. Assume $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$. Then $\text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \max\{\mathfrak{d}_\kappa, \text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)\}$.

Proof. 1. If $2^{<\kappa} > \kappa$ this is immediate by Observation 23. If $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$ use Proposition 30: If $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{NWD}_\kappa$ with $|\mathcal{B}| < \min\{\mathfrak{b}_\kappa, \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)\}$, find $x \in 2^\kappa \setminus \bigcup \mathcal{B} + 2^{<\kappa}$ and then $f \in \kappa^\kappa$ with $f \geq^* \Phi_-(x, B)$ for all $B \in \mathcal{B}$. Then $\bigcup \mathcal{B} \subseteq \Phi_+(x, f)$.

2. Note that if $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \kappa^\kappa$ is dominating and $X \subseteq 2^\kappa$ is non-meager, then, by Proposition 30, $\{\Phi_+(x, f) : f \in \mathcal{F} \text{ and } x \in X\}$ is a cofinal family. \square

Question 32. *Does $\text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \max\{\mathfrak{d}_\kappa, \text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)\}$ also hold when $2^{<\kappa} > \kappa$?³*

Corollary 33. *Assume κ is strongly inaccessible. Then $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \min\{\mathfrak{b}_\kappa, \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)\}$ and $\text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \max\{\mathfrak{d}_\kappa, \text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)\}$.*

²Both parts of this question have been answered affirmatively in the meantime, see [Br3].

³This question has in general a negative answer because $\text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) > 2^{<\kappa}$ holds in ZFC, see [Br3].

3.2 Slaloms

In this subsection, κ is always a – possibly weakly – inaccessible cardinal.

The classical Cichoń diagram also contains cardinal invariants related to measure. While there are various attempts to generalize the ideal of null sets when κ is an inaccessible cardinal (see e.g. [Sh2] and [FL]), we shall not pursue this but rather consider generalizations of cardinal invariants which are combinatorial characterizations of the measure invariants in the countable case, similar to $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*)$ and $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*)$ for the category invariants.

Definition 34. A function φ with $\text{dom}(\varphi) = \kappa$ and $\varphi(\alpha) \in [\kappa]^{|\alpha|}$ for $\alpha < \kappa$ is called a *slalom*. By Loc_κ we denote the collection of all slaloms. More generally, if $h \in \kappa^\kappa$ is a function with $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \kappa} h(\alpha) = \kappa$, and $\varphi(\alpha) \in [\kappa]^{h(\alpha)}$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$, then φ is an *h -slalom*. Loc_h is the set of h -slaloms. So $\text{Loc}_\kappa = \text{Loc}_{\text{id}}$. A slalom φ *localizes* a function $f \in \kappa^\kappa$ ($f \in^* \varphi$ in symbols) if $|\{\alpha < \kappa : f(\alpha) \notin \varphi(\alpha)\}| < \kappa$. We define:

- $\mathfrak{b}_h(\in^*) = \min\{|\mathcal{F}| : \mathcal{F} \subseteq \kappa^\kappa \text{ and } (\forall \varphi \in \text{Loc}_h)(\exists f \in \mathcal{F}) \neg (f \in^* \varphi)\}$.
- $\mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*) = \min\{|\Phi| : \Phi \subseteq \text{Loc}_h \text{ and } (\forall f \in \kappa^\kappa)(\exists \varphi \in \Phi)(f \in^* \varphi)\}$.

Considering the triple $\text{LOC}_h = (\kappa^\kappa, \text{Loc}_h, \in^*)$, we see that $\|\text{LOC}_h\| = \mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*)$ and $\|\text{LOC}_h^\perp\| = \mathfrak{b}_h(\in^*)$.

In the countable case these cardinals coincide with $\text{add}(\mathcal{N})$ and $\text{cof}(\mathcal{N})$, respectively, for arbitrary functions $h \in \omega^\omega$ such that $\lim h(n) = \infty$ [BJ, 2.3]. In particular, all $\mathfrak{b}_h(\in^*)$ are equal, and so are all $\mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*)$. We shall prove below this is false for strongly inaccessible κ , see Theorem 70.

Definition 35. Again let $h \in \kappa^\kappa$ with $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \kappa} h(\alpha) = \kappa$. A function φ is a *partial h -slalom* if $\text{dom}(\varphi) \subseteq \kappa$, $|\text{dom}(\varphi)| = \kappa$ and $\varphi(\alpha) \in [\kappa]^{h(\alpha)}$ for $\alpha \in \text{dom}(\varphi)$. pLoc_h is the set of partial h -slaloms. For $h = \text{id}$, write $\text{pLoc}_\kappa = \text{pLoc}_{\text{id}}$. φ *localizes* $f \in \kappa^\kappa$ ($f \in^* \varphi$ in symbols) if $|\{\alpha \in \text{dom}(\varphi) : f(\alpha) \notin \varphi(\alpha)\}| < \kappa$. The corresponding cardinals are:

- $\mathfrak{b}_h(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) = \min\{|\mathcal{F}| : \mathcal{F} \subseteq \kappa^\kappa \text{ and } (\forall \varphi \in \text{pLoc}_h)(\exists f \in \mathcal{F}) \neg (f \in^* \varphi)\}$.
- $\mathfrak{d}_h(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) = \min\{|\Phi| : \Phi \subseteq \text{pLoc}_h \text{ and } (\forall f \in \kappa^\kappa)(\exists \varphi \in \Phi)(f \in^* \varphi)\}$.

If $\text{pLOC}_h = (\kappa^\kappa, \text{pLoc}_h, \in^*)$, we see that $\|\text{pLOC}_h\| = \mathfrak{d}_h(\mathfrak{p} \in^*)$ and $\|\text{pLOC}_h^\perp\| = \mathfrak{b}_h(\mathfrak{p} \in^*)$.

Formally, we could also have defined LOC_κ and pLOC_κ for successors. However, it is easy to see that in this case $\text{LOC}_\kappa \equiv \text{pLOC}_\kappa \equiv \mathcal{D}_\kappa$ so that the resulting cardinals are equal to \mathfrak{b}_κ and \mathfrak{d}_κ , respectively, and thus not of independent interest. For (weakly) inaccessible κ we still have:

Observation 36. $\text{LOC}_h \preceq \text{pLOC}_h \preceq \mathcal{D}_\kappa$. So $\mathfrak{b}_h(\in^*) \leq \mathfrak{b}_h(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) \leq \mathfrak{b}_\kappa$ and $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa \leq \mathfrak{d}_h(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) \leq \mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*)$.

We shall prove that the inequalities regarding the two different kinds of localization cardinals can be consistently strict like in the countable case, see Theorem 60.

Again, in the countable case, the partial localization cardinals do not depend on the function h [BS]. This is still true for (weakly) inaccessible κ .

Observation 37. *Let g and h with $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \kappa} g(\alpha) = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \kappa} h(\alpha) = \kappa$. Then $\mathfrak{pLOC}_g \equiv \mathfrak{pLOC}_h$.*

Proof. It suffices to show that $\mathfrak{pLOC}_g \preceq \mathfrak{pLOC}_h$. Choose strictly increasing α_γ for $\gamma < \kappa$ with $h(\alpha_\gamma) \geq g(\gamma)$. Given $f \in \kappa^\kappa$, let $\Phi_-(f)(\gamma) = f(\alpha_\gamma)$ for all $\gamma < \kappa$. If $\varphi \in \mathfrak{pLOC}_g$, let $\text{dom}(\Phi_+(\varphi)) = \{\alpha_\gamma : \gamma \in \text{dom}(\varphi)\}$ and $\Phi_+(\varphi)(\alpha_\gamma) \supseteq \varphi(\gamma) \in [\kappa]^{|\varphi(\gamma)|} \subseteq [\kappa]^{h(\alpha_\gamma)}$ for $\gamma \in \text{dom}(\varphi)$. If $\Phi_-(f) \in^* \varphi$, then $f \in^* \Phi_+(\varphi)$ because $f(\alpha_\gamma) = \Phi_-(f)(\gamma) \in \varphi(\gamma) = \Phi_+(\varphi)(\alpha_\gamma)$ holds for all large enough $\gamma \in \text{dom}(\varphi)$. \square

Corollary 38. *Assume κ is (weakly) inaccessible. For any function $h \in \kappa^\kappa$ with $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \kappa} h(\alpha) = \kappa$, $\mathfrak{b}_h(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*)$ and $\mathfrak{d}_h(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*)$.*

For the remainder of this subsection, we assume that κ is a strongly inaccessible cardinal.

The classical Bartoszyński-Raisonnier-Stern Theorem [BJ, Theorem 2.3.1] says that $\text{Cof}(\mathcal{N}) \preceq \text{Cof}(\mathcal{M})$. This is proved by showing $\text{Cof}(\mathcal{N}) \equiv \text{LOC}_\omega$ and $\text{LOC}_\omega \preceq \text{Cof}(\mathcal{M})$. In fact, an analysis of the proof (see e.g. [BS, 2.5]) shows that $\mathfrak{pLOC}_\omega \preceq \text{Cof}(\mathcal{M})$. This is the version of the Bartoszyński-Raisonnier-Stern Theorem we shall generalize to inaccessible κ .

Main Lemma 39. *Assume κ is strongly inaccessible. Let $X \subseteq 2^\kappa$ be a non-empty open set and let $\lambda < \kappa$. Then there is a family \mathcal{Y} of open subsets of X such that*

- (i) $|\mathcal{Y}| \leq \kappa$,
- (ii) every dense open subset of 2^κ contains a member of \mathcal{Y} ,
- (iii) $\bigcap \mathcal{Y}' \neq \emptyset$ for any $\mathcal{Y}' \subseteq \mathcal{Y}$ with $|\mathcal{Y}'| \leq \lambda$.

Proof. Let $\{X_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa\}$ list all $< \kappa$ -unions of basic open sets (i.e., sets of the form $[\sigma]$ for $\sigma \in 2^{< \kappa}$) of the relative topology of X . Say $X_\alpha = \bigcup \{[\sigma] : \sigma \in \Sigma_\alpha\}$ where $\Sigma_\alpha \subseteq 2^{< \kappa}$ with $|\Sigma_\alpha| < \kappa$. For simplicity assume $X = 2^\kappa$.

For $\beta < \kappa$ put

$$A_\beta = \{\alpha : \forall \sigma \in 2^\beta \exists \tau \in 2^{< \kappa} (\tau \supseteq \sigma \wedge \tau \in \Sigma_\alpha)\}.$$

Since $|2^\beta| < \kappa$ (by inaccessibility of κ), A_β is non-empty. Also the A_β form a decreasing chain of subsets of κ .

Next let

$$\mathcal{Y} = \left\{ \bigcup_{\zeta < \lambda^+} X_{\alpha_\zeta} : \alpha_0 \in \kappa \text{ and } \alpha_\zeta \in A_{\beta_\zeta} \text{ for } \zeta > 0 \text{ where } \beta_\zeta = \bigcup_{\xi < \zeta} \bigcup_{\sigma \in \Sigma_{\alpha_\xi}} \text{dom}(\sigma) \right\}.$$

Since $\lambda^+ < \kappa$ we see that \mathcal{Y} has size at most κ . We need to check the other two properties.

(ii) Let $D \subseteq 2^\kappa$ be open dense. First note that $\{\alpha \in A_\beta : X_\alpha \subseteq D\} \neq \emptyset$ for all $\beta < \kappa$. To see this fix β . For all $\sigma \in 2^\beta$ find $\tau_\sigma \supseteq \sigma$ with $[\tau_\sigma] \subseteq D$ by the density of D . Next let α be such that $\{\tau_\sigma : \sigma \in 2^\beta\} = \Sigma_\alpha$. Then $X_\alpha \subseteq D$ and $\alpha \in A_\beta$ follow.

This means we can recursively construct α_ζ , $\zeta < \lambda^+$, such that $\alpha_\zeta \in A_{\beta_\zeta}$ and $X_{\alpha_\zeta} \subseteq D$. Clearly $\bigcup_{\zeta < \lambda^+} X_{\alpha_\zeta} \in \mathcal{Y}$ is a subset of D .

(iii) Assume $Y_\delta \in \mathcal{Y}$, $\delta < \lambda$, are given. Say $Y_\delta = \bigcup_{\zeta < \lambda^+} X_{\alpha(\delta, \zeta)}$ where $\alpha(\delta, 0) \in \kappa$ and $\alpha(\delta, \zeta) \in A_{\beta(\delta, \zeta)}$ for $\zeta > 0$ with $\beta(\delta, \zeta) = \bigcup_{\xi < \zeta} \bigcup_{\sigma \in \Sigma_{\alpha(\delta, \xi)}} \text{dom}(\sigma)$.

Recursively define a partial injective function $\eta : \lambda^+ \rightarrow \lambda$ by:

$$\begin{aligned} \eta(0) &= \min\{\delta : \forall \epsilon < \lambda (\beta(\delta, 1) \leq \beta(\epsilon, 1))\} \\ \eta(\zeta) &= \min\{\delta \notin \{\eta(\xi) : \xi < \zeta\} : \forall \epsilon \notin \{\eta(\xi) : \xi < \zeta\} (\beta(\delta, \zeta + 1) \leq \beta(\epsilon, \zeta + 1))\} \end{aligned}$$

for $\zeta > 0$ as long as $\{\eta(\xi) : \xi < \zeta\} \subsetneq \lambda$. Let λ_0 be minimal such that $\eta(\lambda_0)$ is undefined. Then $\lambda \leq \lambda_0 < \lambda^+$ and $\eta : \lambda_0 \rightarrow \lambda$ is a bijection. We claim that the intersection $\bigcap_{\zeta < \lambda_0} X_{\alpha(\eta(\zeta), \zeta)}$ is non-empty. This finishes the proof because $\bigcap_{\zeta < \lambda_0} X_{\alpha(\eta(\zeta), \zeta)} \subseteq \bigcap_{\zeta < \lambda_0} Y_{\eta(\zeta)} = \bigcap_{\delta < \lambda} Y_\delta$.

To prove the claim, recursively construct $(\sigma_\zeta \in 2^{<\kappa} : \zeta < \lambda_0)$ such that

- $\sigma_0 = \langle \rangle$, $\sigma_\xi \subseteq \sigma_\zeta$ for $\xi < \zeta$,
- $\sigma_\zeta = \bigcup_{\xi < \zeta} \sigma_\xi$ for limit ζ ,
- $\sigma_{\zeta+1} \in \Sigma_{\alpha(\eta(\zeta), \zeta)}$,
- $\text{dom}(\sigma_\zeta) \subseteq \bigcup_{\xi < \zeta} \beta(\eta(\xi), \xi + 1)$.

Once this is done we let $\sigma = \bigcup_{\zeta < \lambda_0} \sigma_\zeta$. Then clearly $[\sigma] \subseteq \bigcap_{\zeta < \lambda_0} X_{\alpha(\eta(\zeta), \zeta)}$, and the claim is established.

Before starting the recursion, note that for $\xi < \zeta$ we have

$$\beta(\eta(\xi), \xi + 1) \leq \beta(\eta(\zeta), \xi + 1) \leq \beta(\eta(\zeta), \zeta) \leq \beta(\eta(\zeta), \zeta + 1)$$

where the first inequality holds by the definition of η and the other two, by the monotonicity of the function $\beta(\eta(\zeta), \cdot)$.

For $\zeta = 0$ put $\sigma_0 = \langle \rangle$. There is nothing to verify. For $\zeta = 1$, let $\sigma_1 \in \Sigma_{\alpha(\eta(0), 0)}$. So $\text{dom}(\sigma_1) \subseteq \beta(\eta(0), 1)$ by definition of \mathcal{Y} .

In general assume σ_ζ has been defined as required. In particular $\text{dom}(\sigma_\zeta) \subseteq \bigcup_{\xi < \zeta} \beta(\eta(\xi), \xi + 1) \subseteq \beta(\eta(\zeta), \zeta)$. By definition of \mathcal{Y} we know $\alpha(\eta(\zeta), \zeta) \in A_{\beta(\eta(\zeta), \zeta)}$. Hence, by definition of $A_{\beta(\eta(\zeta), \zeta)}$, we can find $\sigma_{\zeta+1} \in \Sigma_{\alpha(\eta(\zeta), \zeta)}$ with $\sigma_{\zeta+1} \supseteq \sigma_\zeta$. So $\text{dom}(\sigma_{\zeta+1}) \subseteq \beta(\eta(\zeta), \zeta + 1)$ by definition of \mathcal{Y} .

For limit ζ , let $\sigma_\zeta = \bigcup_{\xi < \zeta} \sigma_\xi$. Then $\text{dom}(\sigma_\zeta) = \bigcup_{\xi < \zeta} \text{dom}(\sigma_\xi) \subseteq \bigcup_{\xi < \zeta} \beta(\eta(\xi), \xi + 1)$ as required. This completes the recursive construction, and the proof of the lemma. \square

Theorem 40. *Assume κ is strongly inaccessible. Then $\text{pLoc}_\kappa \preceq \text{Cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$. That is, there are functions $\Phi_- : \mathcal{M}_\kappa \rightarrow \kappa^\kappa$ and $\Phi_+ : \text{pLoc}_\kappa \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_\kappa$ such that $\Phi_-(A) \in^* \varphi$ implies $A \subseteq \Phi_+(\varphi)$ for $A \in \mathcal{M}_\kappa$ and $\varphi \in \text{pLoc}_\kappa$.*

Proof. Identifying κ with $\kappa^{<\kappa}$ we can work with the space $\{f \in (\kappa^{<\kappa})^\kappa : f(\beta) \in \kappa^\beta \text{ for all } \beta\}$ instead of κ^κ . Let $\lambda_\beta = |\beta|$ for $\beta < \kappa$. Assume $\{X_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa\}$ is a basis for the topology on 2^κ . Let $\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta} = \{Y_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} : \gamma < \kappa\}$ be a family as in the preceding lemma with $X = X_\alpha$ and $\lambda = \lambda_\beta$ where $\alpha < \beta$.

Given $A \in \mathcal{M}_\kappa$, say $A = \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} A_\alpha$, where all A_α are nowhere dense and $A_\alpha \subseteq A_\beta$ for $\alpha < \beta$, we define $\Phi_-(A) \in (\kappa^{<\kappa})^\kappa$ with $\Phi_-(A)(\beta) \in \kappa^\beta$ by stipulating that $A_\beta \cap Y_{\alpha,\beta,\Phi_-(A)(\beta)(\alpha)} = \emptyset$ for all $\alpha < \beta$. By property (ii) of the preceding lemma, we can indeed find $\Phi_-(A)(\beta)(\alpha) \in \kappa$ for each $\alpha < \beta$ (for fixed β).

Given $\varphi \in \mathbf{pLoc}_\kappa$ with $\varphi(\beta) \in [\kappa^\beta]^{\lambda_\beta}$ for all $\beta \in \text{dom}(\varphi)$, put

$$\Phi_+(\varphi) = 2^\kappa \setminus \bigcap_{\delta < \kappa} \bigcup_{\beta \geq \delta, \beta \in \text{dom}(\varphi)} \left(\bigcup_{\alpha < \beta} \bigcap_{\sigma \in \varphi(\beta)} Y_{\alpha,\beta,\sigma(\alpha)} \right).$$

By property (iii) of the preceding lemma, intersections of the form $\bigcap_{\sigma \in \varphi(\beta)} Y_{\alpha,\beta,\sigma(\alpha)}$ are non-empty, and this implies that sets of the form

$$\bigcup_{\beta \geq \delta, \beta \in \text{dom}(\varphi)} \left(\bigcup_{\alpha < \beta} \bigcap_{\sigma \in \varphi(\beta)} Y_{\alpha,\beta,\sigma(\alpha)} \right)$$

are open dense. Hence $\Phi_+(\varphi)$ is indeed meager.

Now assume that $\Phi_-(A) \in^* \varphi$, that is, $\Phi_-(A)(\beta) \in \varphi(\beta)$ for almost all $\beta \in \text{dom}(\varphi)$. Say β_0 is such that $\Phi_-(A)(\beta) \in \varphi(\beta)$ for all $\beta \geq \beta_0$ in $\text{dom}(\varphi)$. Let $x \in A$. We need to show that x belongs to $\Phi_+(\varphi)$. Let $\delta < \kappa$ be such that $x \in A_\delta$. We may assume $\delta \geq \beta_0$. Clearly $x \in A_\beta$ for all $\beta \geq \delta$. Fix $\beta \geq \delta$ in $\text{dom}(\varphi)$. Then $x \notin Y_{\alpha,\beta,\Phi_-(A)(\beta)(\alpha)}$ for all $\alpha < \beta$. In particular, $x \notin \bigcup_{\alpha < \beta} \bigcap_{\sigma \in \varphi(\beta)} Y_{\alpha,\beta,\sigma(\alpha)}$. Since this holds for all $\beta \geq \delta$ with $\beta \in \text{dom}(\varphi)$ we see that indeed $x \in \Phi_+(\varphi)$. This completes the proof. \square

Corollary 41. *Assume κ is strongly inaccessible. Then $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) \leq \text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$ and $\text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*)$.*

We shall see in Proposition 53 that $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$ is indeed needed for this result, for consistently there is a weakly inaccessible cardinal κ for which $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) < \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) < \text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$.

Question 42. *Assume κ is strongly inaccessible. Are $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) < \text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$ and $\text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) < \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*)$ consistent?*

For $\kappa = \omega$, models for the two inequalities are the Hechler and the dual Hechler models, respectively [Br1, Theorem A] (see also the discussion in Subsection 4.2).

The cardinals we discussed in this section can be displayed in the following diagram.

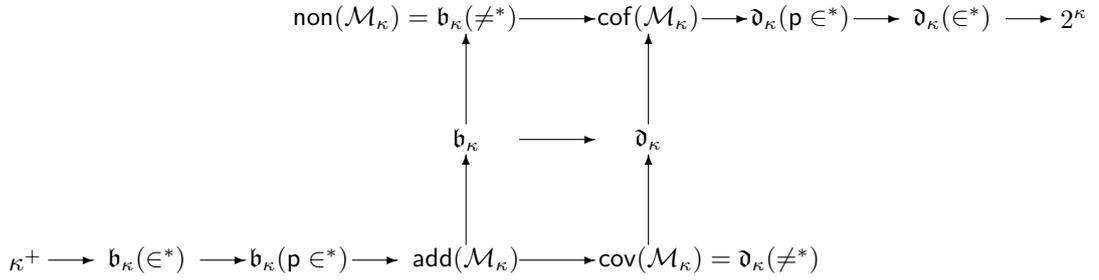


Figure 2: Cichoń's diagram for strongly inaccessible κ

4 Iterations with support of size $< \kappa$

In this section, we will look at iterations with support of size $< \kappa$ of κ^+ -cc and $< \kappa$ -closed forcing and their effect on the cardinals introduced and studied in the previous section. Many constructions are a natural generalization of models obtained by finite support iteration of ccc forcing for the case $\kappa = \omega$. However, unlike the countable case, we do not have a powerful theory of preservation theorems for iterations and therefore can compute all cardinals only in a few cases (e.g. Propositions 47 and 52 and Theorem 60 below), and many questions about consistency remain open. Like in the countable case, we have *duality*, that is, if a long iteration of a forcing over a model of GCH increases a cardinal $\|\mathbb{A}\|$ and makes it equal to 2^κ , then a short iteration of the same forcing over a model of $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$ with large 2^κ makes the dual cardinal $\|\mathbb{A}^\perp\|$ of size $\kappa^+ < 2^\kappa$ (see Proposition 52 and Theorem 60 below).

We will use the following strengthening of the λ^+ -cc.

Definition 43. Let κ, λ be cardinals and \mathbb{P} a p.o. A set $P \subseteq \mathbb{P}$ is called $< \kappa$ -centered if any $< \kappa$ many conditions in P have a lower bound in \mathbb{P} . So P is $< \omega$ -centered if it is *centered* in the usual sense. \mathbb{P} is $(\lambda, < \kappa)$ -centered if $\mathbb{P} = \bigcup_{\alpha < \lambda} P_\alpha$ where all P_α are $< \kappa$ -centered. If $\kappa = \lambda$, we say that \mathbb{P} is κ -centered. Thus \mathbb{P} is σ -centered if it is ω -centered.

The following basic facts are well-known.

Lemma 44. Assume $\lambda \geq \kappa^+$ is a regular cardinal, and $(\mathbb{P}_\alpha, \dot{\mathbb{Q}}_\alpha : \alpha < \lambda)$ is an iteration with supports of size $< \kappa$ such that all \mathbb{P}_α , $\alpha \leq \lambda$, are κ^+ -cc. Also assume that $\mu < \lambda$ and $A \subseteq \mu$ belongs to the \mathbb{P}_λ -generic extension. Then there is $\alpha < \lambda$ such that A belongs to the \mathbb{P}_α -generic extension.

Lemma 45. Assume $\lambda \geq \kappa^+$ is a regular cardinal, and $(\mathbb{P}_\alpha, \dot{\mathbb{Q}}_\alpha : \alpha < \lambda)$ is an iteration with supports of size $< \kappa$ such that all $\dot{\mathbb{Q}}_\alpha$, $\alpha < \lambda$, are forced to be nontrivial and $< \kappa$ -closed. Then \mathbb{P}_λ adds a generic for $\text{Fn}(\lambda, 2, \kappa)$, the forcing for adding λ many κ -Cohen functions (see below).

4.1 Generalized Cohen forcing

Generalized Cohen forcing is the most basic forcing notion for blowing up 2^κ and goes back Cohen's work on the consistency of the failure of GCH. Assume $\kappa = 2^{<\kappa}$ is a regular uncountable cardinal.

Definition 46. Define $\mathbb{C}_\kappa = \text{Fn}(\kappa, 2, \kappa)$, the partial functions from κ to 2 with domain of size less than κ , ordered by reverse inclusion, i.e., $s \leq t$ if $s \supseteq t$ for $s, t \in \mathbb{C}_\kappa$. More generally, for a set A of ordinals, let $\mathbb{C}_\kappa^A = \text{Fn}(A \times \kappa, 2, \kappa)$ with the same ordering.

\mathbb{C}_κ generically adds a κ -Cohen function $c = c_G$ given by $c = \bigcup G$ where G is the \mathbb{C}_κ -generic filter. Similarly, for each $\gamma \in A$, \mathbb{C}_κ^A adds a κ -Cohen function c_γ given by $c_\gamma = \bigcup \{s \upharpoonright (\{\gamma\} \times \kappa) : s \in G\}$.

It is well-known and easy to see that \mathbb{C}_κ^A is $< \kappa$ -closed and has the κ^+ -cc (the latter uses of course $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$). We also note that for an ordinal μ , \mathbb{C}_κ^μ is forcing equivalent to the μ stage iteration of \mathbb{C}_κ with supports of size $< \kappa$. The values of the cardinal invariants in the κ -Cohen model are easy to compute and were probably known previously. We include the argument for the sake of completeness.

Given $f : 2^{<\kappa} \rightarrow 2^{<\kappa}$ such that $\sigma \subseteq f(\sigma)$ for all $\sigma \in 2^{<\kappa}$, let $A_f = \{x \in 2^\kappa : f(\sigma) \not\subseteq x \text{ for all } \sigma \in 2^{<\kappa}\}$. Then A_f is closed nowhere dense and for every nowhere dense set B there is f such that $B \subseteq A_f$. Thus it suffices to consider nowhere dense sets of the form A_f when investigating covering families of nowhere dense sets.

Proposition 47. *Let $\kappa = 2^{<\kappa}$ be regular uncountable. Also let $\lambda > \kappa^+$ with $\lambda^\kappa = \lambda$. Then, in the $\mathbb{C}_\kappa^\lambda$ -generic extension, $\text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \kappa^+ < \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = 2^\kappa = \lambda$ holds.*

Proof. $2^\kappa = \lambda$ is well-known.

Let $\dot{f} : 2^{<\kappa} \rightarrow 2^{<\kappa}$ be a $\mathbb{C}_\kappa^\lambda$ -name for a function with $\sigma \subseteq \dot{f}(\sigma)$ for all $\sigma \in 2^{<\kappa}$. By the κ^+ -cc there is $B_{\dot{f}} \subseteq \lambda$ of size at most κ such that \dot{f} is already added by $\mathbb{C}_\kappa^{B_{\dot{f}}}$ (see also Lemma 44). Furthermore, if $\beta \notin B_{\dot{f}}$, then \dot{c}_β is forced not to belong to $A_{\dot{f}}$.

(To see this, let $s \in \mathbb{C}_\kappa^\lambda$. Take $\sigma \in 2^{<\kappa}$ such that $s(\beta, \cdot) \subseteq \sigma$. Strengthen $s \upharpoonright B_{\dot{f}} \times \kappa \in \mathbb{C}_\kappa^{B_{\dot{f}}}$ to $t_0 \in \mathbb{C}_\kappa^{B_{\dot{f}}}$ such that t_0 decides $\dot{f}(\sigma)$, say $t_0 \Vdash \dot{f}(\sigma) = \tau$. Extend $s(\beta, \cdot)$ to $t_1 = \tau$. Define $t \leq s$ by $t \upharpoonright B_{\dot{f}} \times \kappa = t_0$, $t \upharpoonright \{\beta\} \times \kappa = t_1$, and $t \upharpoonright (\lambda \setminus (B_{\dot{f}} \cup \{\beta\})) \times \kappa = s \upharpoonright (\lambda \setminus (B_{\dot{f}} \cup \{\beta\})) \times \kappa$. Clearly t forces $\dot{c}_\beta \notin A_{\dot{f}}$.)

Now, if $\mu < \lambda$, and \dot{f}_γ , $\gamma < \mu$, are such names, then for $\beta \in \lambda \setminus \bigcup_{\gamma < \mu} B_{\dot{f}_\gamma}$, \dot{c}_β will witness that $\bigcup_{\gamma < \mu} A_{\dot{f}_\gamma} \neq 2^\kappa$, and $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \geq \lambda$ follows.

To see $\text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \kappa^+$, we show that $\dot{C} = \{\dot{c}_\beta : \beta < \kappa^+\}$ is a non-meager set in the generic extension. Indeed, if \dot{f}_γ , $\gamma < \kappa$, are names as before and $\beta \in \kappa^+ \setminus \bigcup_{\gamma < \kappa} B_{\dot{f}_\gamma}$, then \dot{c}_β will witness that \dot{C} is not contained in the union of the $A_{\dot{f}_\gamma}$. \square

Notice that by the results in Section 3, we know all cardinals in this model. Namely, $\mathfrak{b}_h(\mathfrak{c}^*) = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) = \text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*) = \text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \kappa^+$ and $\mathfrak{d}_h(\mathfrak{c}^*) = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) = \text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*) = \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \lambda = 2^\kappa$.

4.2 Generalized Hechler forcing

The generalization of Hechler forcing was first studied by Cummings and Shelah [CS]. Assume $\kappa = 2^{<\kappa}$ is a regular uncountable cardinal.

Definition 48. *Generalized Hechler forcing* \mathbb{D}_κ is defined as follows:

- conditions are of the form (s, f) where $s \in \kappa^{<\kappa}$, $f \in \kappa^\kappa$ and $s \subseteq f$;
- the order is given by $(t, g) \leq (s, f)$ if $t \supseteq s$ and g dominates f everywhere, that is, $f(\alpha) \leq g(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$.

\mathbb{D}_κ generically adds a function $d = d_G$ from κ to κ , called κ -Hechler function and given by $d = \bigcup \{s : \exists f \in \kappa^\kappa ((s, f) \in G)\}$, where G is a \mathbb{D}_κ -generic filter. Clearly d eventually dominates all functions in $\kappa^\kappa \cap V$ [CS, Lemma 7].

Also it is easy to see that \mathbb{D}_κ adds a κ -Cohen function $c_d \in 2^\kappa$, defined by $c_d(\alpha) = d(\alpha) \bmod 2$ for $\alpha < \kappa$.

Finally \mathbb{D}_κ is κ -centered, and thus has the κ^+ -cc, and also is $< \kappa$ -closed [CS, Lemma 7]. Let $\lambda \geq \kappa^+$ be a regular cardinal. As in the countable case, iterate \mathbb{D}_κ with supports of size $< \kappa$ for λ many steps. The iteration \mathbb{P}_λ still is κ^+ -cc and (trivially) $< \kappa$ -closed. To see the former, first note that conditions p whose first coordinates are ground model objects (that is, for all $\alpha \in \text{supp}(p)$, there are $s_\alpha \in \kappa^{<\kappa}$ and a \mathbb{P}_α -name for a function \dot{f}_α such that $p \restriction \alpha \Vdash_\alpha p(\alpha) = (s_\alpha, \dot{f}_\alpha)$) are dense and then use a Δ -system argument. Density of such p is a standard argument (see Preliminary Lemma 56 below for a similar proof), and we omit the details. In fact, by Lemma 55, any iteration of \mathbb{D}_κ of length $< (2^\kappa)^+$ still is κ -centered.

First assume GCH and $\lambda > \kappa^+$. By Lemma 44, all new functions added by \mathbb{P}_λ in κ^κ already lie in an intermediate extension. Hence, we are adding λ many κ -Hechler functions that witness $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa \geq \lambda$ and since we are also adding κ -Cohen functions (see also Lemma 45) we obtain $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \geq \lambda$. Thus, using the relation $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \geq \min\{\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa), \mathfrak{b}_\kappa\}$ (see Corollary 31), we conclude that in the generic extension $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = 2^\kappa = \lambda$. In case κ additionally is inaccessible, we also know that $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\mathfrak{c}^*) = \kappa^+$ by the arguments of Subsection 4.4. However, we do not know the value of $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*)$ in the extension. In the classical Hechler model for $\kappa = \omega$, the corresponding cardinal stays small [Br1, Theorem A]. If this was true for inaccessible κ , Question 42 would have a positive answer.

Now assume that $2^\kappa \geq \kappa^{++}$ and let $\lambda = \kappa^+$. Then the λ many κ -Hechler functions will witness $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa = \kappa^+$, and the κ -Cohen functions, $\text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \kappa^+$. Hence $\text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \kappa^+ < 2^\kappa$ follows by Corollary 31. In case κ additionally is inaccessible, the arguments of Subsection 4.4 also give us $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\mathfrak{c}^*) = 2^\kappa$, but we do not know the value of $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*)$.

The second model is dual to the first in the same way there is duality of models in case $\kappa = \omega$.

We now use generalized Hechler forcing to create a model where $2^{<\kappa} > \kappa$ and the middle part of Cichoń's diagram is split horizontally into three levels.

Theorem 49. *Assume GCH and let κ be a regular uncountable cardinal. There is a cofinality-preserving generic extension in which $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \kappa^+$, $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*) = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*) = \kappa^{++}$, $\text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = 2^\omega = 2^\kappa = \kappa^{+++}$, and $\text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = 2^{\kappa^{+++}} = \kappa^{+4}$.*

In case κ is strongly inaccessible in the ground model – and weakly inaccessible in the extension – the consistency of $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) < \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*)$ answers a question of Matet and Shelah [MS, Section 4] (see also [KLLS, Question 3.8, part 2]).

Proof. First add κ^{++} many κ -Hechler functions in an iteration with supports of size $< \kappa$. By an earlier comment, $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa = \text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \kappa^{++} = 2^\kappa$ holds in the generic extension. A fortiori, all cardinals mentioned in the statement of the theorem will be equal to κ^{++} . Also, $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$ still holds.

Assume $\kappa \geq \omega_2$. Partition κ into intervals J_α , $\alpha < \kappa$, such that each J_α has size at least ω_1 and $< \kappa$. Consider the space \mathcal{X} of functions \bar{f} such that $\text{dom}(\bar{f}) = \kappa$ and $\bar{f}(\alpha) \in \kappa^{J_\alpha}$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$. Since $|\kappa^{J_\alpha}| = \kappa^{<\kappa} = \kappa$, \mathcal{X} can be identified with κ^κ . In particular, since $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*) = \kappa^{++}$, we see that whenever $\bar{\mathcal{F}} \subseteq \mathcal{X}$ is of size $\leq \kappa^+$, then there is $\bar{g} \in \bar{\mathcal{F}}$ such that for all $\bar{f} \in \bar{\mathcal{F}}$, $\bar{g}(\alpha) = \bar{f}(\alpha)$ holds for cofinally many $\alpha < \kappa$.

The case $\kappa = \omega_1$ is a little more complicated. We consider all possible interval partitions J such that all J_α are countable. Clearly, there are ω_2 of them. We then let $\bar{\mathcal{X}}^J$ as above.

Now add κ^{+++} Cohen reals. By Observation 23 we see that $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \kappa^+$ and $\text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = 2^\omega = 2^\kappa = \kappa^{+++}$. Furthermore, $2^{<\kappa} < \text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq 2^{2^{<\kappa}}$ which holds in ZFC [Br3] implies $\text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = 2^{\kappa^{+++}} = \kappa^{+4}$. Also, by the ccc-ness, every new function in κ^κ is bounded by a function from the intermediate extension. This means that \mathfrak{b}_κ and \mathfrak{d}_κ are preserved, and their values are still κ^{++} in the generic extension.

The main part of the argument is to show that $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*) = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*) = \kappa^{++}$ in the final extension. By Observation 17, it suffices to prove $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\neq^*) \geq \kappa^{++}$ and $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*) \leq \kappa^{++}$. Work in the intermediate extension.

For the former, let $\bar{\mathcal{F}} = \{\bar{f}_\beta : \beta < \kappa^+\}$ be a family of names for functions in κ^κ . For each $\beta < \kappa^+$, recursively produce a function $f_\beta \in \kappa^\kappa$, an interval partition $I^\beta = (I_\alpha^\beta = [i_\alpha^\beta, i_{\alpha+1}^\beta) : \alpha < \kappa)$, and, for each $\alpha < \kappa$, maximal antichains $\{p_{\alpha,\gamma}^\beta : \gamma \in I_\alpha^\beta\}$ such that all I_α^β are countable and $p_{\alpha,\gamma}^\beta \Vdash \dot{f}_\beta(\gamma) = f_\beta(\gamma)$. This is clearly possible by the ccc.

If $\kappa \geq \omega_2$, simply let \bar{f}_β be the function defined by $\bar{f}_\beta(\alpha) = f_\beta \upharpoonright J_\alpha$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$. By the above, there is $\bar{g} \in \bar{\mathcal{F}}$ such that for all $\beta < \kappa^+$, $\bar{g}(\alpha) = \bar{f}_\beta(\alpha)$ holds for cofinally many $\alpha < \kappa$. Define $g \in \kappa^\kappa$ by $g(\gamma) = \bar{g}(\alpha)(\gamma)$ if $\gamma \in J_\alpha$, for $\alpha < \kappa$. We claim that g is forced to agree with all \bar{f}_β cofinally often. To see this, fix $\beta < \kappa^+$. Also fix some γ_0 . Let $\alpha \geq \gamma_0$ be such that $\bar{g}(\alpha) = \bar{f}_\beta(\alpha)$. Notice that J_α contains one of the intervals $I_{\alpha'}^\beta$ because J_α is uncountable and

the intervals of I^β are countable. Let p be an arbitrary condition. There is $\gamma \in I_{\alpha'}^\beta$ such that $p_{\alpha',\gamma}^\beta$ is compatible with p . Let q be a common extension. Clearly

$$q \Vdash \dot{f}_\beta(\gamma) = f_\beta(\gamma) = \bar{f}_\beta(\alpha)(\gamma) = \bar{g}(\alpha)(\gamma) = g(\gamma),$$

as required.

If $\kappa = \omega_1$, first choose an interval partition J dominating all the interval partitions I^β , $\beta < \kappa^+$. This is possible because $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa = \kappa^{++}$, by Proposition 11. Then redo the argument of the preceding paragraph with this J and the space $\bar{\mathcal{X}}^J$.

The proof of $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*) \leq \kappa^{++}$ is simpler. Let \mathcal{G} be κ^κ of the intermediate extension. Clearly $|\mathcal{G}| = \kappa^{++}$. It suffices to prove \mathcal{G} is a witness for $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\neq^*)$ in the final extension. Let \dot{f} be a name for a function in κ^κ . Again use the ccc to recursively produce a function $f \in \kappa^\kappa$, an interval partition $I = (I_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$, and, for each $\alpha < \kappa$, maximal antichains $\{p_{\alpha,\gamma} : \gamma \in I_\alpha\}$ such that all I_α are countable and $p_{\alpha,\gamma} \Vdash \dot{f}(\gamma) = f(\gamma)$. Clearly $f \in \mathcal{G}$ and f is forced to agree with \dot{f} cofinally often. \square

4.3 Generalized localization forcing

For this subsection, assume that κ is strongly inaccessible.

Definition 50. The *generalized localization forcing* $\mathbb{L}\mathbb{O}\mathbb{C}_\kappa$ is defined as follows:

- conditions are of the form $p = (\sigma^p, F^p) = (\sigma, F)$ such that for some ordinal $\gamma = \gamma^p < \kappa$, $\text{dom}(\sigma) = \gamma$, $\sigma(\alpha) \in [\kappa]^{|\alpha|}$ for all $\alpha \in \gamma$, $\text{dom}(F) = \kappa$, and $F(\alpha) \in [\kappa]^{\leq |\gamma|}$ for $\alpha < \kappa$;
- the order is given by $q = (\sigma^q, F^q) \leq p = (\sigma^p, F^p)$ if σ^q end-extends σ^p (i.e., $\sigma^p \subseteq \sigma^q$), $F^q(\alpha) \supseteq F^p(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha \in \kappa$, and $F^p(\alpha) \subseteq \sigma^q(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha \in \gamma^q \setminus \gamma^p$.

$\mathbb{L}\mathbb{O}\mathbb{C}_\kappa$ generically adds a slalom $\varphi = \varphi_G \in \text{Loc}_\kappa$ given by $\varphi = \bigcup \{\sigma : \exists F ((\sigma, F) \in G)\}$, where G is a $\mathbb{L}\mathbb{O}\mathbb{C}_\kappa$ -generic filter. Clearly φ localizes all functions in $\kappa^\kappa \cap V$. See [BJ, p. 106] for localization forcing $\mathbb{L}\mathbb{O}\mathbb{C}$ on ω .

Lemma 51. $\mathbb{L}\mathbb{O}\mathbb{C}_\kappa$ is κ^+ -cc and $< \kappa$ -closed.

Proof. Fix an ordinal $\gamma < \kappa$ and a function σ with $\text{dom}(\sigma) = \gamma$ and $\sigma(\alpha) \in [\kappa]^{|\alpha|}$ for all $\alpha < \gamma$. Let $\{p_\beta : \beta < \gamma\}$ be conditions with $\sigma^{p_\beta} = \sigma$ for all $\beta < \gamma$. Then the p_β have a common extension p with $\sigma^p = \sigma$ and $F^p(\alpha) = \bigcup_{\beta < \gamma} F^{p_\beta}(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$. By $2^{< \kappa} = \kappa$, this shows the κ^+ -cc. The $< \kappa$ -closure is straightforward. \square

Proposition 52. Let κ be strongly inaccessible and let $\lambda > \kappa^+$ with $\lambda^\kappa = \lambda$. Then:

- (i) $\kappa^+ < \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\in^*) = \lambda = 2^\kappa$ holds in a $< \kappa$ -closed κ^+ -cc extension.
- (ii) $\kappa^+ = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\in^*) < 2^\kappa = \lambda$ holds in a $< \kappa$ -closed κ^+ -cc extension.

Proof. (i) Perform a λ -length iteration $(\mathbb{P}_\alpha, \dot{Q}_\alpha : \alpha < \lambda)$ with $< \kappa$ -support of $\mathbb{L}\mathbb{O}\mathbb{C}_\kappa$. The iteration still is $< \kappa$ -closed and κ^+ -cc. The argument for the latter is like for Hechler forcing, see Subsection 4.2 (see also the proof of Preliminary Lemma 56). By Lemma 44 and genericity, we see that $2^\kappa = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\epsilon^*) = \lambda$ in the resulting model.

(ii) Assume $2^\kappa = \lambda$ in the ground model. Perform an iteration $(\mathbb{P}_\alpha, \dot{Q}_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa^+)$ with $< \kappa$ -support of $\mathbb{L}\mathbb{O}\mathbb{C}_\kappa$ of length κ^+ . By Lemma 44 and genericity, we see that $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\epsilon^*) = \kappa^+$ in the resulting model. \square

Proposition 53. *Assume GCH and let κ be a strongly inaccessible cardinal. There is a cofinality-preserving generic extension in which $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \kappa^+$, $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\epsilon^*) = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\epsilon^*) = \kappa^{++}$, $\text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = 2^\omega = 2^\kappa = \kappa^{+++}$, and $\text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = 2^{\kappa^{+++}} = \kappa^{+4}$.*

This shows that the generalization of the Bartoszyński-Raisonnier-Stern Theorem (Theorem 40) may fail for weakly inaccessible κ .

Proof. The argument is similar to the proof of Theorem 49. First add κ^{++} many $\mathbb{L}\mathbb{O}\mathbb{C}_\kappa$ generics in an iteration with supports of size $< \kappa$. By Proposition 52, $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\epsilon^*) = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\epsilon^*) = \kappa^{++} = 2^\kappa$ holds in the generic extension. Note that the family $\Phi \subseteq \text{Loc}_\kappa$ witnessing the value of $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\epsilon^*)$ has the property that for all $F : \kappa \rightarrow [\kappa]^\omega$ there is $\varphi \in \Phi$ such that for $F(\alpha) \subseteq \varphi(\alpha)$ for all but less than κ many α .

Now add κ^{+++} Cohen reals. As in the proof of Theorem 49 we see that $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \kappa^+$, $\text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = 2^\omega = 2^\kappa = \kappa^{+++}$, and $\text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = 2^{\kappa^{+++}} = \kappa^{+4}$. Also, by the ccc-ness, for every new function f in κ^κ , there is a function $F : \kappa \rightarrow [\kappa]^\omega$ in the intermediate extension such that $f(\alpha) \in F(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$. By the previous paragraph, this easily entails that $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\epsilon^*)$ and $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\epsilon^*)$ are preserved, and their values are still κ^{++} in the generic extension. \square

4.4 Total slaloms versus partial slaloms

Let κ be an uncountable regular cardinal.

Definition 54. Assume \mathbb{P} is $< \kappa$ -closed and κ -centered, say $\mathbb{P} = \bigcup_{\gamma < \kappa} P_\gamma$ where all P_γ are $< \kappa$ -centered. Say that \mathbb{P} is κ -centered with canonical lower bounds if there is a function $f = f^\mathbb{P} : \kappa^{<\kappa} \rightarrow \kappa$ such that whenever $\lambda < \kappa$ and $(p_\alpha : \alpha < \lambda)$ is a decreasing sequence with $p_\alpha \in P_{\gamma_\alpha}$, then there is $p \in P_\gamma$ with $p \leq p_\alpha$ for all $\alpha < \lambda$ and $\gamma = f(\gamma_\alpha : \alpha < \lambda)$.

Lemma 55. *Let κ be an uncountable regular cardinal and assume $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$. Let $\mu < (2^\kappa)^+$ be an ordinal. Assume $(\mathbb{P}_\alpha, \dot{Q}_\alpha : \alpha < \mu)$ is an iteration with $< \kappa$ -support of $< \kappa$ -closed, κ -centered forcing notions with canonical lower bounds such that the functions $f^{\dot{Q}_\alpha}$ witnessing canonical lower bounds lie in the ground model. Then \mathbb{P}_μ is $< \kappa$ -closed and κ -centered.*

Proof. It is well-known that such iterations are $< \kappa$ -closed. So let us prove they are κ -centered. Assume $\dot{Q}_\alpha = \bigcup_{\gamma < \kappa} \dot{Q}_{\alpha, \gamma}$ is (forced to be by the trivial condition) a decomposition of \dot{Q}_α into $< \kappa$ -centered sets such that the function $f^{\dot{Q}_\alpha}$ giving canonical lower bounds associated with this partition belongs to the ground model. We start with:

Preliminary Lemma 56. (For arbitrary μ .) Conditions $p \in \mathbb{P}_\mu$ such that for all $\beta \in \text{supp}(p)$ there is $\gamma < \kappa$ with $p \upharpoonright \beta \Vdash p(\beta) \in \dot{Q}_{\beta, \gamma}$ are dense.

Proof. Fix p . First we construct $q \leq p$ such that for all $\beta \in \text{supp}(p)$ there is $\gamma < \kappa$ with $q \upharpoonright \beta \Vdash q(\beta) \in \dot{Q}_{\beta, \gamma}$. Let $\lambda := |\text{supp}(p)| < \kappa$. Enumerate $\text{supp}(p)$ as $(\beta_\delta : \delta < \lambda)$ such that each $\beta \in \text{supp}(p)$ appears cofinally often in the enumeration. Construct a decreasing chain of conditions $(q^\delta : \delta < \lambda)$ such that $q^0 = p$ and $q^{\delta+1} \upharpoonright \beta_\delta \Vdash q^{\delta+1}(\beta_\delta) \in \dot{Q}_{\beta_\delta, \gamma_\delta}$ for some $\gamma_\delta < \kappa$. This can be done easily using the closure properties of the iteration.

Let $\text{supp}(q) = \bigcup_{\delta < \lambda} \text{supp}(q^\delta)$ and define q by recursion on $\text{supp}(q)$ as follows: assume $\beta \in \text{supp}(q)$ and $q \upharpoonright \beta$ has been defined. If $\beta \notin \text{supp}(p)$, obtain $q(\beta)$, using $< \kappa$ -closure of \dot{Q}_β , such that $q \upharpoonright \beta \Vdash "q(\beta)$ is a lower bound of $(q^\delta(\beta) : \delta < \lambda)"$. If $\beta \in \text{supp}(p)$, let $\lambda_\beta = f^{\dot{Q}_\beta}(\gamma_\delta : \delta < \lambda \text{ and } \beta_\delta = \beta)$. Since $q \upharpoonright \beta$ is a lower bound of $(q^\delta \upharpoonright \beta : \delta < \lambda)$ and since $q^{\delta+1} \upharpoonright \beta$ forces $q^{\delta+1}(\beta) \in \dot{Q}_{\beta, \gamma_\delta}$ whenever $\beta_\delta = \beta$, canonical lower bounds gives us that $q \upharpoonright \beta$ forces that $(q^{\delta+1}(\beta) : \delta < \lambda \text{ and } \beta_\delta = \beta)$ has a lower bound $q(\beta) \in \dot{Q}_{\beta, \lambda_\beta}$. Hence q is as required.

Thus we can construct a decreasing chain $(p^n : n \in \omega)$ such that $p^0 = p$ and for all n and all $\beta \in \text{supp}(p^n)$ there is $\gamma_\beta^n < \kappa$ with $p^{n+1} \upharpoonright \beta \Vdash p^{n+1}(\beta) \in \dot{Q}_{\beta, \gamma_\beta^n}$. As in the previous paragraph we obtain a condition p^ω below $(p^n : n \in \omega)$ belonging to the dense set of the preliminary lemma: $\text{supp}(p^\omega) = \bigcup_n \text{supp}(p^n)$ and for all $\beta \in \text{supp}(p^\omega)$ we define by recursion $p^\omega(\beta)$ as follows: suppose $p^\omega \upharpoonright \beta$ has been defined. Let $\gamma_\beta = f^{\dot{Q}_\beta}(\gamma_\beta^n : n \geq \min\{k : \beta \in \text{supp}(p^k)\})$. Again we see that $p^\omega \upharpoonright \beta$ forces that $(p^n(\beta) : n \geq \min\{k : \beta \in \text{supp}(p^k)\})$ has a lower bound $p^\omega(\beta) \in \dot{Q}_{\beta, \gamma_\beta}$. \square

Given the preliminary lemma, the proof of κ -centeredness is a standard argument: since $\mu < (2^\kappa)^+$, there is an injection $\mu \rightarrow 2^\kappa : \alpha \mapsto f_\alpha$. Let \mathcal{F} be the collection of all functions F whose domain is a subset of 2^δ for some $\delta = \delta_F < \kappa$ of size $< \kappa$ and whose range is a subset of κ . (If κ is inaccessible it suffices to consider F whose domain is 2^δ for $\delta = \delta_F$ because $2^\delta < \kappa$ then holds.) Since $2^{< \kappa} = \kappa$, we have $|\mathcal{F}| = \kappa$. For $F \in \mathcal{F}$ let

$$P_F = \{p \in \mathbb{P}_\mu : \forall \beta \in \text{supp}(p) (f_\beta \upharpoonright \delta_F \in \text{dom}(F) \text{ and } p \upharpoonright \beta \Vdash p(\beta) \in \dot{Q}_{\beta, F(f_\beta \upharpoonright \delta_F)})\}$$

We need to verify that all P_F are $< \kappa$ -centered and that the union of the P_F is dense in \mathbb{P}_μ .

For the former, assume $\lambda < \kappa$ and let $\{p_\zeta : \zeta < \lambda\} \subseteq P_F$. By recursion on β construct a common extension $p \upharpoonright \beta$ of the $p_\zeta \upharpoonright \beta$. If β is limit, simply let $p \upharpoonright \beta$ be the union of the $p \upharpoonright \alpha$ for $\alpha < \beta$. So assume β is successor. If β belongs to the support of some p_ζ we have $f_\beta \upharpoonright \delta_F \in \text{dom}(F)$. Now note that since $\dot{Q}_{\beta, F(f_\beta \upharpoonright \delta_F)}$ is

forced to be $< \kappa$ -centered and since $p \upharpoonright \beta$ forces $p_\zeta(\beta) \in \dot{Q}_{\beta, F(f_\beta \upharpoonright \delta_F)}$ or $p_\zeta(\beta) = \mathbf{1}$ for all $\zeta < \lambda$, there is a \mathbb{P}_β -name $p(\beta)$ such that $p \upharpoonright \beta$ forces $p(\beta) \leq p_\zeta(\beta)$ for all $\zeta < \lambda$. If β does not belong to the support of any p_ζ , let $p(\beta) = \mathbf{1}$. This defines $p \upharpoonright \beta + 1$. By construction $|\text{supp}(p)| < \kappa$ and, thus, $p \in \mathbb{P}_\mu$.

For the latter, we use the preliminary lemma. Let $p \in \mathbb{P}_\mu$ be a condition such that for all $\beta \in \text{supp}(p)$, there is $\gamma_\beta < \kappa$ with $p \upharpoonright \beta \Vdash p(\beta) \in \dot{Q}_{\beta, \gamma_\beta}$. Since $|\text{supp}(p)| < \kappa$ we can find $\delta < \kappa$ such that $f_\beta \upharpoonright \delta$, $\beta \in \text{supp}(p)$, are all distinct. Let $\delta_F = \delta$ and let $F \in \mathcal{F}$ be the function with domain $\{f_\beta \upharpoonright \delta : \beta \in \text{supp}(p)\}$ such that for all $\beta \in \text{supp}(p)$, $F(f_\beta \upharpoonright \delta) = \gamma_\beta$. Then $p \in P_F$ is immediate. \square

Note that this is optimal. It is well-known (and easy to see) that $< \kappa$ -support iterations of length $\geq (2^\kappa)^+$ of non-trivial forcing notions never are κ -centered.

For the rest of this subsection, assume κ is strongly inaccessible.

Definition 57. The *generalized partial localization forcing* PLOC_κ is defined as follows:

- conditions are of the form $p = (\sigma^p, F^p) = (\sigma, F)$ such that $\text{dom}(\sigma) \subseteq \kappa$, $|\text{dom}(\sigma)| < \kappa$, $\sigma(\alpha) \in [\kappa]^{|\alpha|}$ for all $\alpha \in \text{dom}(\sigma)$, $\text{dom}(F) = \kappa$, and $F(\alpha) \in [\kappa]^\lambda$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$, for some fixed $\lambda < \kappa$;
- the order is given by $q = (\sigma^q, F^q) \leq p = (\sigma^p, F^p)$ if σ^q end-extends σ^p (i.e., $\sigma^p \subseteq \sigma^q$ and $\alpha \in \text{dom}(\sigma^q \setminus \sigma^p)$ implies $\alpha \geq \sup(\text{dom}(\sigma^p))$), $F^q(\alpha) \supseteq F^p(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha \in \kappa$, and $F^p(\alpha) \subseteq \sigma^q(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha \in \text{dom}(\sigma^q \setminus \sigma^p)$.

PLOC_κ generically adds a partial slalom $\varphi = \varphi_G \in \mathbf{pLoc}_\kappa$ given by $\varphi = \bigcup \{ \sigma : \exists F ((\sigma, F) \in G) \}$, where G is a PLOC_κ -generic filter. Clearly φ localizes all functions in $\kappa^\kappa \cap V$. See [Br2, p. 47] for partial localization forcing PLOC on ω .

Lemma 58. *Assume κ is strongly inaccessible. Then PLOC_κ is $< \kappa$ -closed and κ -centered with canonical lower bounds. Furthermore, if $V \subseteq W$ are ZFC-models such that $2^{<\kappa} \cap V = 2^{<\kappa} \cap W$ and $\text{PLOC} \in W$, then the function f witnessing canonical lower bounds may be taken in V .*

Proof. For $\sigma \in \kappa^{<\kappa}$, let $P_\sigma = \{(\sigma, F) : (\sigma, F) \in \text{PLOC}_\kappa\}$. Clearly, P_σ is $< \kappa$ -centered and $\text{PLOC}_\kappa = \bigcup_\sigma P_\sigma$. Also given $\lambda < \kappa$ and $(p_\alpha \in P_{\sigma_\alpha} : \alpha < \lambda)$ decreasing, we necessarily have that $\alpha < \beta$ implies $\sigma_\alpha \subseteq \sigma_\beta$ and there is a lower bound $p \in P_\sigma$ where $\sigma = \bigcup_{\alpha < \lambda} \sigma_\alpha$. Hence $f : (\kappa^{<\kappa})^{<\kappa} \rightarrow \kappa^{<\kappa}$ such that $f(\sigma_\alpha : \alpha < \lambda) = \bigcup_{\alpha < \lambda} \sigma_\alpha$ for increasing sequences $(\sigma_\alpha : \alpha < \lambda)$ witnesses canonical lower bounds. $f \in V$ in the furthermore clause is immediate. \square

Lemma 59. *Let κ be strongly inaccessible and let \mathbb{P} be a κ -centered forcing notion. Let $h \in \kappa^\kappa$ and assume $\dot{\varphi}$ is a \mathbb{P} -name for an h -slalom. Then there are h -slaloms $(\varphi_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$ such that whenever $f \in \kappa^\kappa$ is not localized by any φ_α , then \Vdash “ $\dot{\varphi}$ does not localize f ”.*

Proof. Let $\mathbb{P} = \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} P_\alpha$ where all P_α are $< \kappa$ -centered. Let $\dot{\varphi}$ be a \mathbb{P} -name for an h -slalom. Fix $\alpha < \kappa$. Define φ_α as follows:

$$\varphi_\alpha(\beta) = \{\gamma < \kappa : \exists p \in P_\alpha (p \Vdash \gamma \in \dot{\varphi}(\beta))\}.$$

Note that $|\varphi_\alpha(\beta)| \leq |h(\beta)|$. (For suppose that $|\varphi_\alpha(\beta)| > |h(\beta)|$. For each $\gamma \in \varphi_\alpha(\beta)$ find $p_\gamma \in P_\alpha$ such that $p_\gamma \Vdash \gamma \in \dot{\varphi}(\beta)$. By $< \kappa$ -centeredness of P_α , we can find $\Gamma \subseteq \varphi_\alpha(\beta)$ of size $< \kappa$ but larger than $|h(\beta)|$ and a condition p which extends all p_γ with $\gamma \in \Gamma$. Then p forces $|\dot{\varphi}(\beta)| > |h(\beta)|$, a contradiction.)

Hence all φ_α are h -slaloms. Fix $f \in \kappa^\kappa$ such that for all $\alpha < \kappa$, $\exists^\infty \beta (f(\beta) \notin \varphi_\alpha(\beta))$. Also fix $p \in \mathbb{P}$ and $\beta_0 < \kappa$. There is $\alpha < \kappa$ such that $p \in P_\alpha$. Also there is $\beta \geq \beta_0$ such that $f(\beta) \notin \varphi_\alpha(\beta)$. In particular, p does not force that $f(\beta)$ belongs to $\dot{\varphi}(\beta)$. Hence there is $q \leq p$ such that $q \Vdash f(\beta) \notin \dot{\varphi}(\beta)$. Since p and β_0 were arbitrary, this shows that the trivial condition forces $\exists^\infty \beta (f(\beta) \notin \dot{\varphi}(\beta))$. \square

Theorem 60. *Let κ be strongly inaccessible and let $\lambda > \kappa^+$ with $\lambda^\kappa = \lambda$. Then:*

- (i) $\kappa^+ = \mathfrak{b}_h(\in^*) < \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) = \lambda = 2^\kappa$ (for all $h \in \kappa^\kappa$) holds in a $< \kappa$ -closed κ^+ -cc extension.
- (ii) $\kappa^+ = \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) < \mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*) = \lambda = 2^\kappa$ (for all $h \in \kappa^\kappa$) holds in a $< \kappa$ -closed κ^+ -cc extension.

Proof. (i) Assume $2^\kappa = \lambda$ in the ground model V . Perform a λ -length iteration $(\mathbb{P}_\alpha, \dot{Q}_\alpha : \alpha < \lambda)$ with $< \kappa$ -support of PLOC_κ . In the resulting model $2^\kappa = \mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) = \lambda$ by genericity. So it suffices to show that $\mathfrak{b}_h(\in^*) = \kappa^+$ for any $h \in \kappa^\kappa$.

Any such h is added by an initial segment of the iteration (see Lemma 44), say by \mathbb{P}_{α_0} . Since we iterate with $< \kappa$ -support, κ -Cohen functions are added in κ -limits of the iteration. Let $\alpha_1 = \alpha_0 + \kappa^+$, and let $\{c_\gamma : \gamma < \kappa^+\}$ be the κ^+ many κ -Cohen functions added between α_0 and α_1 . Let W be the \mathbb{P}_{α_1} -generic extension. Clearly (since they are added cofinally), $\{c_\gamma : \gamma < \kappa^+\}$ witnesses $\mathfrak{b}_h(\in^*) = \kappa^+$ in W . In fact, any h -slalom in W can localize at most κ many of the c_γ . We need to show that $\{c_\gamma : \gamma < \kappa^+\}$ still witnesses $\mathfrak{b}_h(\in^*) = \kappa^+$ in the final extension.

Let $\dot{\varphi}$ be a \mathbb{P}_λ -name for an h -slalom. Since $2^\kappa = \lambda$, by Lemmata 58 and 55, \mathbb{P}_λ is κ -centered. Hence we find $(\varphi_\beta : \beta < \kappa)$ in W as in Lemma 59. In W , there is $\gamma \in \kappa^+$ such that c_γ is not localized by any φ_β . Hence, by Lemma 59, \Vdash “ $\dot{\varphi}$ does not localize c_γ ”, as required.

(ii) Assume $2^\kappa = \lambda$ in the ground model. Perform an iteration $(\mathbb{P}_\alpha, \dot{Q}_\alpha : \alpha < \lambda \cdot \kappa^+)$ with $< \kappa$ -support of PLOC_κ of length the ordinal $\lambda \cdot \kappa^+$. By Lemmata 58 and 55, the whole iteration $\mathbb{P}_{\lambda \cdot \kappa^+}$ is κ -centered. In the resulting model, $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) = \kappa^+$ because the cofinality of the length of the iteration is κ^+ . Also $2^\kappa = \lambda$ is clear. We need to show that $\mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*) \geq \lambda$ for any $h \in \kappa^\kappa$.

Fix $h \in \kappa^\kappa$. Since h arises in an intermediate extension and since all larger intermediate extensions by some $\mathbb{P}_{\lambda, \alpha}$, where $\alpha < \kappa^+$ is a successor ordinal, satisfy $\mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*) = \lambda$ because of the κ -Cohen functions added in limit stages of

the λ preceding steps of the iteration, we may as well assume that h belongs to the ground model and that $\mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*) = \lambda$ holds there. Now let $\mu < \lambda$ and let $(\dot{\varphi}^\delta : \delta < \mu)$ be $\mathbb{P}_{\lambda, \kappa^+}$ -names for h -slaloms. By Lemma 59, we obtain $(\varphi_\beta^\delta : \beta < \kappa)$ for each $\delta < \mu$. By assumption on the ground model, there is $f \in \kappa^\kappa$ which is not localized by any φ_β^δ . Therefore, by Lemma 59, \Vdash “no $\dot{\varphi}^\delta$ localizes f ”. In particular, the $(\dot{\varphi}^\delta : \delta < \mu)$ do not form a witness for $\mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*) = \mu$ in the generic extension, and $\mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*) \geq \lambda$ follows. \square

5 Iterations and products with support of size

κ

Here we consider iterations and products with support of size κ of forcing notions which are $< \kappa$ -closed, preserve κ^+ and are κ^{++} -cc. Such constructions correspond to countable support iterations and products of proper forcing notions in case $\kappa = \omega$. The latter are a powerful tool for separating the cardinal invariants in Cichoń’s diagram; in fact, any consistent partition of the diagram into two parts, one assuming the value \aleph_1 and the other, \aleph_2 , can be obtained by such an iteration. The main tools for proving this are preservation theorems, saying roughly that if a forcing has a certain property, then so does its countable support iteration. There are no such preservation theorems for uncountable κ , and the only feasible approach as of now is to prove directly that the whole iteration has the property in question. The main tool for this is to use generalized fusion. While this can be done for generalized Sacks forcing (see the discussion at the beginning of 5.1.2), we do not know whether generalized fusion can be used for generalized Miller forcing to show the (appropriate version of the) generalized Laver property (see Question 83 below).

In this section, κ is always a strongly inaccessible cardinal.

5.1 Generalized Sacks forcing

5.1.1 The single step

The generalization of Sacks forcing was first studied by Kanamori [Ka]. $T \subseteq 2^{<\kappa}$ is a *tree* if it is closed under initial segments, that is, $u \in T$ and $v \subseteq u$ imply $v \in T$. A node $u \in T$ *splits* in T if both $u \hat{\ } 0$ and $u \hat{\ } 1$ belong to T .

Definition 61. *Generalized Sacks forcing* \mathbb{S}_κ is defined as follows:

- conditions in \mathbb{S}_κ are subtrees T of $2^{<\kappa}$ such that:
 1. each $u \in T$ has a splitting extension $t \in T$, that is, $u \subseteq t$ and t splits in T ,
 2. if $\alpha < \kappa$ is a limit ordinal, $u \in 2^\alpha$, and $u \upharpoonright \beta \in T$ for every $\beta < \alpha$, then $u \in T$,
 3. if $\alpha < \kappa$ is a limit ordinal, $u \in 2^\alpha$, and for arbitrarily large $\beta < \alpha$, $u \upharpoonright \beta$ splits in T , then u splits in T ;

- the order is given by inclusion, i.e. $T \leq S$ if $T \subseteq S$.

In fact, \mathbb{S}_κ can be defined for any regular κ with $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$. However, many of the typical properties of Sacks forcing in the countable case, like the ω^ω -bounding property or the stronger Sacks property (see Proposition 65 below) only generalize when κ is strongly inaccessible (see the discussion after Theorem 1.5 in [Ka] for details), and we therefore consider only the inaccessible case.

\mathbb{S}_κ generically adds a function $s = s_G$ from κ to 2, called a κ -Sacks function and given by $s = \bigcap \{T : T \in G\}$, where G is an \mathbb{S}_κ -generic filter.

Given $T \in \mathbb{S}_\kappa$ and $u \in T$, let $T_u = \{t \in T : t \subseteq u \text{ or } u \subseteq t\}$ be the *subtree* of T given by u . For $T \in \mathbb{S}_\kappa$, the *stem* of T , $\text{stem}(T)$, is the unique splitting node that is comparable with all elements in T .

Definition 62 (The α -th splitting level of T). Given $T \in \mathbb{S}_\kappa$, define by recursion on κ :

- $\text{split}_0(T) = \{\text{stem}(T)\}$,
- $\text{split}_{\alpha+1}(T) = \{\text{stem}(T_{u \hat{\ } i}) : u \in \text{split}_\alpha(T) \text{ and } i \in 2\}$,
- if α is a limit ordinal $< \kappa$, $\text{split}_\alpha(T) = \{u \in T : \text{there is an increasing sequence } (u_\beta \in \text{split}_\beta(T) : \beta < \alpha) \text{ such that } u = \bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} u_\beta\}$.

Since there is a canonical bijection b between $2^{<\kappa}$ and $\bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} \text{split}_\alpha(T)$ sending elements of 2^α to $\text{split}_\alpha(T)$ and recursively defined by

- $b(\emptyset) = \text{stem}(T)$,
- $b(u \hat{\ } i) = \text{stem}(T_{b(u) \hat{\ } i})$ for $u \in 2^\alpha$ and $i \in 2$,
- $b(u) = \bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} b(u \upharpoonright \beta)$ if α is a limit ordinal and $u \in 2^\alpha$,

we see immediately that $|\text{split}_\alpha(T)| = |2^\alpha| = 2^{|\alpha|}$. Using the splitting levels, define the *fusion orderings* \leq_α for $\alpha < \kappa$ by $S \leq_\alpha T$ if $S \leq T$ and $\text{split}_\alpha(T) = \text{split}_\alpha(S)$.

Definition 63 (Fusion sequence). A sequence of conditions $(S_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa) \subseteq \mathbb{S}_\kappa$ is a *fusion sequence* if

- $S_{\alpha+1} \leq_\alpha S_\alpha$ for every $\alpha < \kappa$,
- $S_\delta = \bigcap_{\alpha < \delta} S_\alpha$ for limit $\delta < \kappa$.

The Fusion Lemma [Ka, Lemma 1.4] says that for a fusion sequence $(S_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$, the *fusion* $S = \bigcap_{\alpha < \kappa} S_\alpha$ is a condition in \mathbb{S}_κ . This is used to show preservation of κ^+ [Ka, Theorem 1.5]; we shall prove a stronger statement in Proposition 65 below. Also, preservation of cardinals up to and including κ follows from the easy $< \kappa$ -closure of the forcing [Ka, Lemma 1.2].

Definition 64 (Generalized Sacks property). Let $h \in \kappa^\kappa$ with $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \kappa} h(\alpha) = \kappa$. A forcing notion \mathbb{P} has the *generalized h -Sacks property* if for every condition $p \in \mathbb{P}$ and every \mathbb{P} -name \dot{f} for an element in κ^κ there are a condition $q \leq p$ and an h -slalom $\varphi \in \text{Loc}_h$ such that $q \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) \in \varphi(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$. If $h = \text{id}$, we say \mathbb{P} has the *generalized Sacks property*.

Proposition 65. *Let h be the power set function, i.e., $h(\alpha) = 2^{|\alpha|}$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$. Then \mathbb{S}_κ has the generalized h -Sacks property. In fact, given $T \in \mathbb{S}_\kappa$ and any \mathbb{S}_κ -name $\dot{f} : \kappa \rightarrow V$ there are $S \leq T$ and $\varphi : \kappa \rightarrow V$ such that $|\varphi(\alpha)| \leq 2^{|\alpha|}$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$ and $S \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) \in \varphi(\alpha)$ for $\alpha < \kappa$.*

Note that this immediately implies preservation of κ^+ .

Proof. Clearly it suffices to show that given $T \in \mathbb{S}_\kappa$ and a sequence $(\mathcal{A}_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$ of maximal antichains in \mathbb{S}_κ , there are $S \leq T$ and $\mathcal{B}_\alpha \subseteq \mathcal{A}_\alpha$ such that for all $\alpha < \kappa$, $|\mathcal{B}_\alpha| \leq 2^{|\alpha+1|}$ and \mathcal{B}_α is predense below S . For indeed, adjusting the construction for the finite ordinals, if necessary, and noting that $|\alpha + 1| = |\alpha|$ for infinite ordinals α , we see that we then can even obtain $|\mathcal{B}_\alpha| \leq 2^{|\alpha|}$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$, as required in the proposition.

More explicitly, we recursively construct a fusion sequence of conditions $(T_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$ and sets $\mathcal{B}_\alpha \subseteq \mathcal{A}_\alpha$ satisfying:

- \mathcal{B}_α is predense below $T_{\alpha+1}$,
- $|\mathcal{B}_\alpha| \leq 2^{|\alpha+1|}$.

For the basic step, let $T_0 = T$.

For the successor step, suppose that T_α has already been constructed. Fix $u \in \text{split}_\alpha(T_\alpha)$ and $i \in 2$, and consider the subtree $(T_\alpha)_{u \hat{\ } i}$. Since \mathcal{A}_α is a maximal antichain there exists a condition $U_{u \hat{\ } i} \in \mathcal{A}_\alpha$ compatible with $(T_\alpha)_{u \hat{\ } i}$. Let $(T_{\alpha+1})_{u \hat{\ } i}$ be a common extension. Put $T_{\alpha+1} = \bigcup \{(T_{\alpha+1})_{u \hat{\ } i} : u \in \text{split}_\alpha(T_\alpha) \text{ and } i \in 2\}$. Thus $T_{\alpha+1} \leq_\alpha T_\alpha$ holds and we can define $\mathcal{B}_\alpha = \{U_{u \hat{\ } i} : u \in \text{split}_\alpha(T_\alpha) \text{ and } i \in 2\}$. Clearly this set has size at most $2^{|\alpha+1|}$ and by construction it is predense below $T_{\alpha+1}$.

For the limit step, suppose we already have constructed $(T_\alpha : \alpha < \delta)$ where δ is a limit ordinal. We let $T_\delta = \bigcap_{\alpha < \delta} T_\alpha$.

Take the fusion $S = \bigcap_{\alpha < \kappa} T_\alpha$ of the sequence $(T_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$. Then $S \leq_\alpha T_\alpha$ for all α which implies that for all α , \mathcal{B}_α is predense below S . \square

Proposition 66. *\mathbb{S}_κ does not have the generalized Sacks property. In fact, \mathbb{S}_κ adds a function $f \in \kappa^\kappa$ such that for all $\varphi \in \text{Loc}_\kappa$ from the ground model, $f(\alpha) \notin \varphi(\alpha)$ for cofinally many α .*

Proof. Let g be a bijection between κ and $2^{<\kappa}$. Let $\dot{s} \in 2^\kappa$ be the name for the generic κ -Sacks function. Define the name $\dot{f} \in \kappa^\kappa$ by $\dot{f}(\alpha) = g^{-1}(\dot{s} \upharpoonright \alpha)$ for $\alpha < \kappa$. Take a slalom φ from the ground model and an arbitrary condition $T \in \mathbb{S}_\kappa$. Fix a cardinal $\alpha_0 < \kappa$. We need to find $\alpha \geq \alpha_0$ and $S \leq T$ such that $S \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) \notin \varphi(\alpha)$.

To this end, recursively construct a strictly increasing sequence of cardinals $(\alpha_n < \kappa : n \geq 1)$ such that $\alpha_1 > \alpha_0$ and $\text{split}_{\alpha_n}(T) \subseteq 2^{\leq \alpha_{n+1}}$ for every $n \in \omega$. Put $\alpha = \sup\{\alpha_n : n \in \omega\}$. Then $\text{split}_\alpha(T) = T \cap 2^\alpha$. In particular $|T \cap 2^\alpha| = |\text{split}_\alpha(T)| = 2^{|\alpha|} > |\alpha|$. Hence we can find $u \in T \cap 2^\alpha$ such that $g^{-1}(u) \notin \varphi(\alpha)$. Since $S = T_u$ forces $\dot{s} \upharpoonright \alpha = u$, it also forces $\dot{f}(\alpha) \notin \varphi(\alpha)$, as required. \square

Note that the argument in this proof shows that the set $\{\alpha < \kappa : \text{split}_\alpha(T) = T \cap 2^\alpha\}$ contains a club. In particular, Proposition 66 still holds with the identity id replaced by any $h \in \kappa^\kappa$ such that $\{\alpha < \kappa : h(\alpha) < 2^{|\alpha|}\}$ is stationary.

5.1.2 The product (iteration)

Propositions 65 and 66 suggest that by adding many κ -Sacks functions, either by a product or by an iteration, we should be able to distinguish between the two localization cardinals $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\in^*)$ and $\mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*)$ where h is the power set function. We shall now see that this is indeed the case and, in fact, both the product and the iteration work. Since the result is slightly more general for the former, allowing for arbitrary values of 2^κ , we shall concentrate on the product and simply mention that iterating generalized Sacks forcing for κ^{++} steps with supports of size κ over a model of GCH yields a model for $\mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*) = \kappa^+ < \mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\in^*) = \kappa^{++} = 2^\kappa$. See [Ka, Sections 2 and 6] and [DF] for such iterations.

Definition 67. For a set A of ordinals, \mathbb{S}_κ^A is the κ -support product of \mathbb{S}_κ with index set A , that is, \mathbb{S}_κ^A consists of all functions $p : A \rightarrow \mathbb{S}$ such that $\text{supp}(p) = \{\beta \in A : p(\beta) \neq 2^{< \kappa}\}$ has size at most κ . \mathbb{S}_κ^A is ordered coordinatewise: $q \leq p$ if $q(\beta) \leq p(\beta)$ for all $\beta \in A$ (this clearly implies $\text{supp}(q) \supseteq \text{supp}(p)$).

For each $\beta \in A$, \mathbb{S}_κ^A adds a function s_β which is \mathbb{S}_κ -generic over the ground model. If $\delta < \kappa$ is a limit ordinal and $(p_\alpha : \alpha < \delta)$ is a decreasing chain of conditions in \mathbb{S}_κ^A , $p = \bigwedge_{\alpha < \delta} p_\alpha \in \mathbb{S}_\kappa^A$ is defined by $p(\beta) = \bigcap_{\alpha < \delta} p_\alpha(\beta)$. In particular, \mathbb{S}_κ^A is $< \kappa$ -closed. Furthermore, if $F \subseteq A$ has size less than κ and $\alpha < \kappa$, we define the *fusion ordering* $\leq_{F,\alpha}$ by $q \leq_{F,\alpha} p$ if $q \leq p$ and $q(\beta) \leq_\alpha p(\beta)$ for all $\beta \in F$.

Definition 68 (Generalized fusion sequence). A sequence $(p_\alpha, F_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$ is a *generalized fusion sequence* if $p_\alpha \in \mathbb{S}_\kappa^A$, $F_\alpha \in [A]^{< \kappa}$, and

- $p_{\alpha+1} \leq_{F_\alpha, \alpha} p_\alpha$ for $\alpha < \kappa$, and $p_\delta = \bigwedge_{\alpha < \delta} p_\alpha$ for limit ordinals δ ,
- $F_\alpha \subseteq F_{\alpha+1}$ for $\alpha < \kappa$, $F_\delta = \bigcup_{\alpha < \delta} F_\alpha$ for limit ordinals δ , and $\bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} F_\alpha = \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} \text{supp}(p_\alpha)$.

The Generalized Fusion Lemma [Ka, Lemma 1.9 and Section 5] says that the *fusion* $p = \bigwedge_{\alpha < \kappa} p_\alpha$ of a generalized fusion sequence $(p_\alpha, F_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$ is a condition in \mathbb{S}_κ^A . This is used to show preservation of κ^+ [Ka, Theorem 5.2]. If $2^\kappa = \kappa^+$ a straightforward Δ -system argument yields the κ^{++} -cc [Ka, Theorem 5.3] and, thus, preservation of cardinals $\geq \kappa^{++}$.

Main Lemma 69. *Let h be the power set function, i.e., $h(\alpha) = 2^{|\alpha|}$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$. Then \mathbb{S}_κ^A has the generalized h -Sacks property. In fact, given $p \in \mathbb{S}_\kappa^A$ and any \mathbb{S}_κ^A -name $f : \kappa \rightarrow V$ there are $q \leq p$ and $\varphi : \kappa \rightarrow V$ such that $|\varphi(\alpha)| \leq 2^{|\alpha|}$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$ and $q \Vdash f(\alpha) \in \varphi(\alpha)$ for $\alpha < \kappa$.*

Note that this also implies preservation of κ^+ .

Proof. This is an elaboration of the proof of Proposition 65. Let $p \in \mathbb{S}_\kappa^A$ and let $(\mathcal{A}_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$ be a sequence of maximal antichains in \mathbb{S}_κ^A . We recursively construct a generalized fusion sequence $(p_\alpha, F_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$ and sets $\mathcal{B}_\alpha \subseteq \mathcal{A}_\alpha$ satisfying:

- $|F_\alpha| \leq |\alpha|$,
- \mathcal{B}_α is predense below $p_{\alpha+1}$,
- $|\mathcal{B}_\alpha| \leq 2^{|\alpha|}$ for infinite α .

For the basic step, let $p_0 = p$ and $F_0 = \emptyset$.

For the successor step, suppose that p_α and F_α have already been constructed. Let $\bar{U} = \{\bar{u} = (u_\beta : \beta \in F_\alpha) : u_\beta \in \text{split}_\alpha(p_\alpha(\beta)) \text{ for all } \beta \in F_\alpha\}$. Since $|\text{split}_\alpha(p_\alpha(\beta))| = 2^{|\alpha|}$ for each β and $|F_\alpha| \leq |\alpha|$, we see that $|\bar{U}| = (2^{|\alpha|})^{|\alpha|} = 2^{|\alpha|^2}$ for infinite α . Thus let $((\bar{u}_\gamma, g_\gamma) : \gamma < 2^{|\alpha|})$ enumerate all pairs $(\bar{u}, g) \in \bar{U} \times 2^{F_\alpha}$. Recursively construct a decreasing chain $(q_\alpha^\gamma : \gamma < 2^{|\alpha|})$ of conditions and a sequence $(r_\alpha^\gamma : \gamma < 2^{|\alpha|})$ of elements of \mathcal{A}_α such that

- $q_\alpha^0 = p_\alpha$, $q_\alpha^\delta \leq_{F_\alpha, \alpha} q_\alpha^\gamma$ for all $\gamma \leq \delta$,
- $(q_\alpha^{\gamma+1})_{(\bar{u}_\gamma, g_\gamma)} \leq r_\alpha^\gamma$,
- $q_\alpha^\delta = \bigwedge_{\gamma < \delta} q_\alpha^\gamma$ for limit ordinals δ .

Here, for $(\bar{u}, g) \in \bar{U} \times 2^{F_\alpha}$, $q_{(\bar{u}, g)}$ is defined by:

$$q_{(\bar{u}, g)}(\beta) = \begin{cases} (q(\beta))_{u_\beta \hat{\wedge} g(\beta)} & \text{if } \beta \in F_\alpha \\ q(\beta) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Since the basic step and the limit step are straightforward, it suffices to do the successor step of this recursion. Assume q_α^γ has been produced. Since \mathcal{A}_α is a maximal antichain there exists a condition $r_\alpha^\gamma \in \mathcal{A}_\alpha$ compatible with $(q_\alpha^\gamma)_{(\bar{u}_\gamma, g_\gamma)}$. Let q' be a common extension. Define $q_\alpha^{\gamma+1}$ such that

$$q_\alpha^{\gamma+1}(\beta) = \begin{cases} q'(\beta) \cup \bigcup \{(q_\alpha^\gamma(\beta))_{u_i} : u \in \text{split}_\alpha(p_\alpha(\beta)) \setminus \{(u_\gamma)_\beta\} \\ \text{or } i \neq g_\gamma(\beta)\} & \text{if } \beta \in F_\alpha \\ q'(\beta) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Clearly $q_\alpha^{\gamma+1} \leq_{F_\alpha, \alpha} q_\alpha^\gamma$. This completes the recursive construction. Let $p_{\alpha+1} = \bigwedge_{\gamma < 2^{|\alpha|}} q_\alpha^\gamma$ and $\mathcal{B}_\alpha = \{r_\alpha^\gamma : \gamma < 2^{|\alpha|}\}$. Clearly, $p_{\alpha+1} \leq_{F_\alpha, \alpha} p_\alpha$ and \mathcal{B}_α has size at most $2^{|\alpha|}$ and is predense below $p_{\alpha+1}$. Finally define $F_{\alpha+1}$ by adding a single

element to F_α and by guaranteeing via a book-keeping argument that the union of the F_α will agree with the union of the $\text{supp}(p_\alpha)$.

For the limit step, suppose we already have constructed $(p_\alpha, F_\alpha : \alpha < \delta)$ where δ is a limit ordinal. We let $p_\delta = \bigwedge_{\alpha < \delta} p_\alpha$ and $F_\delta = \bigcup_{\alpha < \delta} F_\alpha$.

Take the fusion $q = \bigwedge_{\alpha < \kappa} p_\alpha$ of the sequence $(p_\alpha, F_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$. Then $q \leq p_\alpha$ for all α which implies that for all α , \mathcal{B}_α is predense below q . Adjusting the construction for the finite ordinals, if necessary, we may assume that $|\mathcal{B}_\alpha| \leq 2^{|\alpha|}$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$, as required. \square

Theorem 70. *Assume GCH and let $\lambda > \kappa^+$ be a cardinal with $\text{cf}(\lambda) > \kappa$. Forcing with $\mathbb{S}_\kappa^\lambda$ yields a generic extension in which $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\mathfrak{p} \in^*) = \mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*) = \kappa^+$ and $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\in^*) = 2^\kappa = \lambda$.*

Proof. $\mathfrak{d}_h(\in^*) = \kappa^+$ follows immediately from Main Lemma 69. By earlier results, this also implies that all other cardinals we have considered are equal to κ^+ . Furthermore, $2^\kappa = \lambda$ is an easy consequence of GCH and $\text{cf}(\lambda) > \kappa$, using Main Lemma 69 in the $\text{cf}(\lambda) = \kappa^+$ case. Hence we are left with showing $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\in^*) \geq \lambda$. This follows almost, but – since we are dealing with a product and not an iteration – not quite, from Proposition 66.

Assume $\mu < \lambda$, and let $\{\dot{\varphi}_\gamma : \gamma < \mu\}$ be $\mathbb{S}_\kappa^\lambda$ -names for slaloms in Loc_κ . By the κ^{++} -cc, we may find sets $A_\gamma \subseteq \lambda$, $\gamma < \mu$, of size at most κ^+ such that $\dot{\varphi}_\gamma$ is added by the subforcing $\mathbb{S}_\kappa^{A_\gamma}$. Fix $\beta \in \lambda \setminus \bigcup_{\gamma < \mu} A_\gamma$. Let $\dot{s}_\beta \in 2^\kappa$ be the name for the generic κ -Sacks function added in coordinate β . Define the name $\dot{f} \in \kappa^\kappa$ by $\dot{f}(\alpha) = g^{-1}(\dot{s}_\beta \upharpoonright \alpha)$ for $\alpha < \kappa$ where g is again a bijection between κ and $2^{<\kappa}$, like in Proposition 66. We will prove that \dot{f} is forced not to be localized by any $\dot{\varphi}_\gamma$. This is clearly sufficient.

Fix $\gamma < \mu$. Also fix $p \in \mathbb{S}_\kappa^\lambda$ and a cardinal $\alpha_0 < \kappa$. We need to find $\alpha \geq \alpha_0$ and $q \leq p$ such that $q \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) \notin \dot{\varphi}_\gamma(\alpha)$. Let $p^0 = p \upharpoonright A_\gamma \in \mathbb{S}_\kappa^{A_\gamma}$. Construct a decreasing chain $(p_\alpha^0 : \alpha < \kappa)$ of conditions in $\mathbb{S}_\kappa^{A_\gamma}$ with $p_0^0 = p^0$ and a slalom $\varphi \in \text{Loc}_\kappa$ such that $p_\alpha^0 \Vdash \dot{\varphi}_\gamma \upharpoonright \alpha = \varphi \upharpoonright \alpha$.

Next, as in the proof of Proposition 66, recursively construct a strictly increasing sequence of cardinals $(\alpha_n < \kappa : n \geq 1)$ such that $\alpha_1 > \alpha_0$ and $\text{split}_{\alpha_n}(p(\beta)) \subseteq 2^{\leq \alpha_{n+1}}$ for every $n \in \omega$. Put $\alpha = \sup\{\alpha_n : n \in \omega\}$. Again we see that $|p(\beta) \cap 2^\alpha| = |\text{split}_\alpha(p(\beta))| = 2^{|\alpha|} > \alpha$. Hence we can find $u \in p(\beta) \cap 2^\alpha$ such that $g^{-1}(u) \notin \varphi(\alpha)$. Now define a condition q by

- $q(\beta) = (p(\beta))_u$,
- $q \upharpoonright A_\gamma = p_{\alpha+1}^0$,
- $q(\delta) = p(\delta)$ for $\delta \notin A_\gamma \cup \{\beta\}$.

Clearly q forces $\dot{s}_\beta \upharpoonright \alpha = u$ and, thus, $\dot{f}(\alpha) = g^{-1}(u) \notin \varphi(\alpha) = \dot{\varphi}_\gamma(\alpha)$, as required. \square

A detailed analysis of the two preceding proofs yields that for any function $h : \kappa \rightarrow \kappa$ with $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \kappa} h(\alpha) = \kappa$ that is above the power set function on a

club (that is, $\{\alpha < \kappa : h(\alpha) \geq 2^{|\alpha|}\}$ contains a club), the κ -support product of generalized Sacks forcing satisfies the h -Sacks property and, thus, $\mathfrak{d}_h(\mathfrak{c}^*) = \kappa^+$ in the generic extension, while for any such function h that is strictly below the power set function on a stationary set, $\mathfrak{d}_h(\mathfrak{c}^*)$ is large in the extension (see the comment after Proposition 66). For example, for any continuous function $h : \kappa \rightarrow \kappa$, $\mathfrak{d}_h(\mathfrak{c}^*)$ is large in the extension, as h is the identity on a club.

Our results suggest some questions.

Question 71. *Is $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\mathfrak{c}^*) < \mathfrak{b}_h(\mathfrak{c}^*)$ consistent where h is the power set function?*

This would be the consistency result dual to the one of Theorem 70. A natural approach would be to iterate an appropriate version of the generalized localization forcing of Subsection 4.3 with supports of size less than κ . However, we do not have the preservation results necessary to show that $\mathfrak{b}_\kappa(\mathfrak{c}^*)$ stays small. If this indeed could be done the dual model should provide an alternative proof of Theorem 70.

Question 72. *Is it consistent that three cardinals of the form $\mathfrak{d}_h(\mathfrak{c}^*)$ for different $h \in \kappa^\kappa$ simultaneously assume distinct values?*

A still simpler question might be:

Question 73. *Is it consistent that for some function g strictly dominating the power set function h , $\mathfrak{d}_g(\mathfrak{c}^*) < \mathfrak{d}_h(\mathfrak{c}^*)$ is consistent?*

5.1.3 Generalized Silver forcing

We finally note that instead of generalized Sacks forcing we may consider generalized Silver forcing (see e.g. [FKK, Example 3.2] for this forcing notion) and add many κ -Silver functions either with a κ -support product or a κ -support iteration. It is not difficult to see that this has the same effect on our cardinals, that is, $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa(\mathfrak{c}^*)$ is increased to 2^κ and $\mathfrak{d}_h(\mathfrak{c}^*)$ stays at κ^+ where h is the power set function.

5.2 Generalized Miller forcing

5.2.1 The single step

Versions of generalized Miller forcing were investigated by Friedman, Honzík, and Zdomsky in [FZ] and [FHZ]. Assume \mathcal{F} is a normal and κ -complete non-principal filter on κ . If $T \subseteq \kappa^{<\kappa}$ is a tree and $u \in T$, u \mathcal{F} -splits (or simply splits) in T if $\text{succ}_T(u) = \{\beta < \kappa : u \hat{\ } \beta \in T\}$ belongs to \mathcal{F} .

Definition 74. *Generalized Miller forcing $\text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{F}$ with the filter \mathcal{F} is defined as follows:*

- conditions in $\text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{F}$ are subtrees T of $\kappa^{<\kappa}$ consisting of strictly increasing sequences such that:

1. each $u \in T$ has a splitting extension $t \in T$, that is, $u \subseteq t$ and t \mathcal{F} -splits in T and, moreover, if u does not \mathcal{F} -split, then $|\text{succ}_T(u)| = 1$,
2. if $\alpha < \kappa$ is a limit ordinal, $u \in \kappa^\alpha$, and $u \upharpoonright \beta \in T$ for every $\beta < \alpha$, then $u \in T$,
3. if $\alpha < \kappa$ is a limit ordinal, $u \in \kappa^\alpha$, and for arbitrarily large $\beta < \alpha$, $u \upharpoonright \beta$ \mathcal{F} -splits in T , then u \mathcal{F} -splits in T ;

- the order is given by inclusion, i.e. $T \leq S$ if $T \subseteq S$.

$\text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{F}$ generically adds a function $m = m_G$ from κ to κ , called a κ -Miller function and given by $m = \bigcap \{T : T \in G\}$, where G is a $\text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{F}$ -generic filter. A straightforward genericity argument shows that m is unbounded over the ground model functions.

Since the filter \mathcal{F} is κ -complete, it is easy to see that $\text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{F}$ is $< \kappa$ -closed. As for generalized Sacks forcing, if $T \in \text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{F}$ and $u \in T$, let $T_u = \{t \in T : t \subseteq u \text{ or } u \subseteq t\}$. For $T \in \text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{F}$, $\text{stem}(T)$ is the unique splitting node that is comparable with all elements in T . Also let $\text{split}(T)$ be the set of all $u \in T$ which split in T . Given $u \in \kappa^{< \kappa}$ let $\ell(u)$ denote the *length* of u , i.e. the unique α such that $u \in \kappa^\alpha$.

Definition 75 (The α -th splitting level of T , see [FZ]). Let $\text{split}_\alpha(T)$ be the set of all $u \in \text{split}(T)$ such that

- $\{v \in \text{split}(T) : v \subsetneq u\}$ has order type at most α ,
- for all $v \subsetneq u$ in $\text{split}(T)$, $u(\ell(v)) \cap \text{succ}_T(v)$ has order type at most α .

Thus $\text{split}_0(T) = \{\text{stem}(T)\}$ and we note for later use that $|\text{split}_\alpha(T)| \leq |(\alpha+1)^{\alpha+1}|$. Also note that $\text{split}_\alpha(T) \subset \text{split}_\beta(T)$ for $\alpha < \beta$ and that $\text{split}(T)$ is the increasing union of the $\text{split}_\alpha(T)$. Using again the splitting levels $\text{split}_\alpha(T)$, define the *fusion orderings* \leq_α for $\alpha < \kappa$ by $S \leq_\alpha T$ if $S \leq T$ and $\text{split}_\alpha(T) = \text{split}_\alpha(S)$.

Definition 76 (Fusion sequence). A sequence of conditions $(S_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa) \subseteq \text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{F}$ is a *fusion sequence* if

- $S_{\alpha+1} \leq_\alpha S_\alpha$ for every $\alpha < \kappa$,
- $S_\delta = \bigcap_{\alpha < \delta} S_\alpha$ for limit $\delta < \kappa$.

The Fusion Lemma [FZ, Lemma 2.3] says that for a fusion sequence $(S_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$, the *fusion* $S = \bigcap_{\alpha < \kappa} S_\alpha$ is a condition in $\text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{F}$. The proof uses κ -completeness and normality of the filter \mathcal{F} .

For $\kappa = \omega$, classical Miller forcing does not add Cohen reals. However, for inaccessible κ , forcings of the type $\text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{F}$ may add κ -Cohen functions.

Proposition 77. κ -Miller forcing $\text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{C}$ with the club filter \mathcal{C} adds a κ -Cohen function.

Proof. In the ground model V , let $(S_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$ be a partition of κ into stationary sets. Define $f \in \kappa^\kappa$ by letting $f(\beta)$ be the unique α such that $\beta \in S_\alpha$. Also, let ψ be a bijection between κ and $2^{<\kappa}$. Finally, let \dot{m} be the κ -Miller function added by MII_κ^C .

In the generic extension, define the function $g^* : \kappa \rightarrow 2^{<\kappa}$ as the composition $g^* = \psi \circ f \circ m$. We claim that the function $g : \kappa \rightarrow 2$ that concatenates the values of g^* , that is,

$$g = g^*(0) \hat{\ } g^*(1) \hat{\ } \dots \hat{\ } g^*(\alpha) \hat{\ } \dots$$

is κ -Cohen generic over the ground model V . To show this, take $T \in \text{MII}_\kappa^C$ and $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{C}_\kappa$ open dense. It is enough to prove that we can find $u \in \mathcal{D}$ and $S \leq T$ such that $S \Vdash u \subseteq \dot{g}$.

Put $\sigma = \text{stem}(T)$, consider the composition $v^* = \psi \circ f \circ \sigma \in (2^{<\kappa})^{<\kappa}$, and let v be its concatenation. Then $v \in \mathbb{C}_\kappa$ and so there exists $u \in \mathcal{D}$ such that $u \supseteq v$. Note that $T \Vdash \dot{m} \upharpoonright \ell(\sigma) = \sigma$, and hence $T \Vdash \dot{g} \upharpoonright \ell(v) = v$. Define a sequence $w \in 2^{<\kappa}$ by $w(\alpha) = u(\ell(v) + \alpha)$ for all α with $\ell(v) + \alpha < \ell(u)$. (That is, $u = v \hat{\ } w$ is the concatenation of v and w .) Since $\text{succ}_T(\sigma)$ is a club set, there is $\beta \in \text{succ}_T(\sigma) \cap S_{\psi^{-1}(w)}$. Let $\tau = \sigma \hat{\ } \beta$ and $S = T_\tau$. Then $\ell(\tau) = \ell(\sigma) + 1$, $\tau(\ell(\sigma)) = \beta$, $\psi(f(\tau(\ell(\sigma)))) = w$, and letting $u^* = \psi \circ f \circ \tau \in (2^{<\kappa})^{<\kappa}$, we see that its concatenation is exactly $u = v \hat{\ } w$. Hence $S \Vdash u \subseteq \dot{g}$, as required. \square

For the subsequent discussion, assume that \mathcal{U} is a κ -complete normal ultrafilter on a measurable cardinal κ .

Proposition 78 (Pure decision property). *Let φ be a sentence of the forcing language. Assume $T \in \text{MII}_\kappa^{\mathcal{U}}$. Then there is $S \leq T$ with the same stem such that S decides φ , that is, $S \Vdash \varphi$ or $S \Vdash \neg\varphi$.*

Proof. Letting T and φ be as in the statement of the proposition and putting $\sigma = \text{stem}(T)$, there is a set $X \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $\sigma \hat{\ } i \in T$ for all $i \in X$. Now, given $i \in X$ find $S_i \leq T_{\sigma \hat{\ } i}$ such that S_i decides φ . Since \mathcal{U} is an ultrafilter, one of the sets $X_0 = \{i \in X : S_i \Vdash \varphi\}$ or $X_1 = \{i \in X : S_i \Vdash \neg\varphi\}$ must belong to \mathcal{U} . Let $S = \bigcup_{i \in X^*} S_i$, where X^* is either X_0 or X_1 , depending on which one of them belongs to \mathcal{U} . Clearly, $S \leq T$ and S decides φ (specifically if $X_0 \in \mathcal{U}$, we have $S \Vdash \varphi$ and otherwise $S \Vdash \neg\varphi$). \square

Definition 79 (Generalized Laver property). Let $h \in \kappa^\kappa$ with $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \kappa} h(\alpha) = \kappa$. A forcing notion \mathbb{P} has the *generalized h -Laver property* if for every condition $p \in \mathbb{P}$, every $g \in \kappa^\kappa$, and every \mathbb{P} -name \dot{f} such that $p \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) < g(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$, there are a condition $q \leq p$ and an h -slalom $\varphi \in \text{Loc}_h$ such that $q \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) \in \varphi(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$. If $h = \text{id}$, we say \mathbb{P} has the *generalized Laver property*.

The generalized Laver property is closely related to the generalized Sacks property: Say that a forcing notion \mathbb{P} is κ^κ -*bounding* if for all \mathbb{P} -names $\dot{f} \in \kappa^\kappa$ and all $p \in \mathbb{P}$, there are $g \in \kappa^\kappa$ and $q \leq p$ such that $q \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) < g(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$. Then \mathbb{P} has the generalized h -Sacks property if and only if \mathbb{P} is κ^κ -bounding and has the generalized h -Laver property.

In analogy to the countable case we have:

Proposition 80. *Let $h \in \kappa^\kappa$ with $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \kappa} h(\alpha) = \kappa$. If \mathbb{P} has the generalized h -Laver property, then \mathbb{P} does not add κ -Cohen functions.*

Proof. Let \dot{f} be a \mathbb{P} -name for a function in 2^κ , and consider a partition of κ into κ many intervals $(I_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$ such that $|I_\alpha| = |h(\alpha)|$. Now define a name for a function $\dot{g} \in (\text{Fn}(\kappa, 2, \kappa))^\kappa$ by $\dot{g}(\alpha) = \dot{f} \upharpoonright I_\alpha$.

Note that \dot{g} does not belong to the ground model V , but it is possible to find a function $G \in V$ that is forced to bound it. Indeed, since the possible values of $\dot{g}(\alpha)$ are bounded by the number of functions from the interval I_α to 2, that is, by $2^{|I_\alpha|} = 2^{|h(\alpha)|} < \kappa$ (where the latter holds by the strong inaccessibility of κ), we can define $G \in ((\text{Fn}(\kappa, 2, \kappa))^{<\kappa})^\kappa$ by $G(\alpha) = 2^{I_\alpha}$.

Thus we can use the generalized Laver property: given a condition $p \in \mathbb{P}$ we can find a condition $q \leq p$ and an h -slalom $\varphi : \kappa \rightarrow (\text{Fn}(\kappa, 2, \kappa))^{<\kappa}$ (that is, $|\varphi(\alpha)| \leq |h(\alpha)| < 2^{|h(\alpha)|} = |G(\alpha)|$ for all α) such $q \Vdash \dot{g}(\alpha) \in \varphi(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$. Thus, if we define the set A by

$$A = \{x \in 2^\kappa : \forall \alpha < \kappa (x \upharpoonright I_\alpha \in \varphi(\alpha))\} = \bigcap_{\alpha < \kappa} \{x \in 2^\kappa : x \upharpoonright I_\alpha \in \varphi(\alpha)\},$$

we see that A is nowhere dense and that $q \Vdash \dot{f} \in A$. This implies that \dot{f} is forced not to be κ -Cohen. \square

Proposition 81. *Let h be the power set function. If \mathcal{U} is a κ -complete normal ultrafilter on κ then Miller forcing $\text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{U}$ with \mathcal{U} has the generalized h -Laver property.*

Proof. Let $T \in \text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{U}$ and $g \in \kappa^\kappa$, and let \dot{f} be a $\text{MII}_\kappa^\mathcal{U}$ -name for an element in κ^κ such that $T \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) < g(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$.

Recursively we construct a fusion sequence $(S_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$ and sets $B_\alpha \subseteq \kappa$ such that:

- $S_{\alpha+1} \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) \in B_\alpha$,
- $|B_\alpha| \leq 2^{|\alpha|}$ for infinite α .

In the basic step, let $S_0 = T$.

In the successor step, suppose we have already S_α . Fix $t \in \text{split}_\alpha(S_\alpha)$. Using the pure decision property (Proposition 78) together with the κ -completeness of the ultrafilter and the fact that the possible values of $\dot{f}(\alpha)$ are bounded by $g(\alpha)$, we see that there are $\gamma_t < g(\alpha)$ $D_t \subseteq \text{succ}_{S_\alpha}(t)$ belonging to \mathcal{U} and trees $(S_{\alpha+1})_{t^\beta} \leq (S_\alpha)_{t^\beta}$ for $\beta \in D_t$ such that $(S_{\alpha+1})_{t^\beta} \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) = \gamma_t$.

(More explicitly, for each $\beta \in \text{succ}_{S_\alpha}(t)$, choose $\gamma_t^\beta < g(\alpha)$ and $(S_{\alpha+1})_{t^\beta} \leq (S_\alpha)_{t^\beta}$ such that $(S_{\alpha+1})_{t^\beta} \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) = \gamma_t^\beta$. Then find γ_t and $D_t \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $\gamma_t^\beta = \gamma_t$ for all $\beta \in D_t$. This is possible because $|\{\gamma_t^\beta : \beta \in \text{succ}_{S_\alpha}(t)\}| \leq |g(\alpha)| < \kappa$.)

At the end let $S_{\alpha+1} = \bigcup_{t \in \text{split}_\alpha(S_\alpha)} \bigcup_{\beta \in D_t} (S_{\alpha+1})_{t^\beta}$ and $B_\alpha = \{\gamma_t : t \in \text{split}_\alpha(S_\alpha)\}$. Since $|\text{split}_\alpha(S_\alpha)| \leq |(\alpha+1)^{\alpha+1}|$, $|B_\alpha| \leq 2^{|\alpha|}$ for infinite α follows. $S_{\alpha+1} \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) \in B_\alpha$ is obvious by construction.

In the limit step, let $S_\alpha = \bigcap_{\beta < \alpha} S_\beta$.

Finally, take the fusion S of the sequence $(S_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$. Then $S \leq_\alpha S_\alpha$ for all α which implies that for all $\alpha < \kappa$, $S \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) \in B_\alpha$. Hence, if we adjust the construction for finite ordinals and define $\varphi(\alpha) = B_\alpha$, then $|\varphi(\alpha)| \leq 2^{|\alpha|}$ and $S \Vdash \dot{f}(\alpha) \in \varphi(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$, and we have the generalized h -Laver property. \square

Our reason for investigating the generalized Laver property for forcings of type $\mathbb{M}_\kappa^\mathcal{U}$ was the hope to obtain an alternative proof for the consistency of $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) < \mathfrak{d}_\kappa$, originally obtained by Shelah [Sh1] (see [BJ, 7.3.E] for $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}) < \mathfrak{d}$ in the Miller model). For this, however, one would need preservation of the generalized Laver property in iterations with support of size κ .

Question 82. *Is the generalized Laver property preserved under κ -support iterations?*

Since there are no preservation theorems for such iterations, this seems to be out of reach. More specifically we may ask:

Question 83. *Let h be the power set function. Assume κ is an indestructible supercompact cardinal. Does the κ -support iteration of forcings of type $\mathbb{M}_\kappa^\mathcal{U}$ have the generalized h -Laver property?*

The reason for considering indestructible supercompact κ here is that we need that the intermediate extensions still contain κ -complete normal ultrafilters on κ .

Showing directly that the whole iteration has the generalized h -Laver property by a generalized fusion argument seems more feasible. This can indeed be done for generalized Sacks forcing but uses that we can decide the splitting levels – something which is not possible for generalized Miller forcing where we would have to work with names. It also can be done for any forcing with reasonable fusion properties in case $\kappa = \omega$ – but this hinges on the fact that the sets F_α arising in the generalized fusion in this case are finite. In fact, this was the original approach taken in work of Laver [Lav] and Baumgartner [Ba] before Shelah [Sh] developed the theory of preservation theorems.

It is known (see [FZ, Theorem 2.9] and [FHZ, Theorem 2.9]) that generalized fusion for the κ -support iteration of generalized Miller forcing shows the preservation of κ^+ (and if $2^\kappa = \kappa^+$ and the length of the iteration is at most κ^{++} , then the κ^{++} -cc still holds so that all cardinals are preserved). This type of fusion argument however does not help for the generalized Laver property.

For $\kappa = \omega$, the Laver property of Laver or Mathias forcing is used to show the consistency of $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}) < \mathfrak{b}$ [BJ, 7.3.D and 7.4.A]. Since $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) < \mathfrak{b}_\kappa$ implies $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) < \mathfrak{d}_\kappa$ by Corollary 31 (for any κ), the former consistency seems to be even harder for strongly inaccessible κ . In fact, Laguzzi [Lag] proved that any reasonable generalization of Mathias forcing to κ adds κ -Cohen functions. Also, for generalized Laver forcing it is unclear whether any form of the generalized Laver property can hold, and in the case that κ is measurable and \mathcal{U} is a normal κ -complete ultrafilter on κ , it is shown in [BFFM, Lemma 18] that the Mathias

and Laver forcings are equivalent. Thus the following problem seems to be out of reach.

Question 84. *Is it consistent for strongly inaccessible (or even supercompact) κ that $\text{add}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) < \mathfrak{b}_\kappa$? That $\mathfrak{d}_\kappa < \text{cof}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa)$?*

5.2.2 The product

We close our work with some results on products of generalized Miller forcing. Since the classical Miller forcing MII has the Laver property, it follows that it does not add Cohen reals. Spinas [Sp] proved that the product of two copies of Miller forcing MII^2 does not add Cohen reals. However by a result of Veličković and Woodin [VW], the product of three copies of Miller forcing MII^3 adds a Cohen real. For strongly inaccessible κ , two κ -Miller functions are sufficient to get a κ -Cohen function. Roughly speaking, the reason for this is that given trees $T, S \in \text{MII}_\kappa^{\mathcal{F}}$, the set of places where both T and S split contains a club.

Theorem 85. *Let \mathcal{F} be a κ -complete normal filter on κ . Then the product $\mathbb{Q}^* = \text{MII}_\kappa^{\mathcal{F}} \times \text{MII}_\kappa^{\mathcal{F}}$ adds a κ -Cohen function.*

Proof. Let m_0 and m_1 be the generically added κ -Miller functions. We say that $\alpha < \kappa$ is an *oscillation point* of m_0 and m_1 if there is $\gamma < \alpha$ such that

- either $m_0(\alpha) > m_1(\alpha)$ and $m_0(\beta) < m_1(\beta)$ for all β with $\gamma \leq \beta < \alpha$
- or $m_1(\alpha) > m_0(\alpha)$ and $m_1(\beta) < m_0(\beta)$ for all β with $\gamma \leq \beta < \alpha$.

Let A denote the set of oscillation points of m_0 and m_1 and C , the set of limit points of A . It is easy to see that A is unbounded in κ and, thus, C is club in κ .

(Indeed, let $\alpha_0 < \kappa$ and $(S, T) \in \mathbb{Q}^*$. Put $\sigma = \text{stem}(S)$ and $\tau = \text{stem}(T)$. Without loss of generality we may assume $\alpha_0 < \ell(\sigma) < \ell(\tau)$. First extend S to S' such that the stem σ' of S' is longer than $\ell(\tau)$ and $\sigma'(\beta) > \tau(\beta)$ for all β with $\ell(\sigma) \leq \beta < \ell(\tau)$. Next extend T to T' such that the stem τ' of T' properly extends τ and $\tau'(\ell(\tau)) > \sigma'(\ell(\tau))$. Then (S', T') forces that $\ell(\tau)$ belongs to \dot{A} .)

Now, let $\{\gamma_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa\}$ be the continuous increasing enumeration of C and define $c : \kappa \rightarrow 2$ by:

$$c(\alpha) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m_0(\gamma_\alpha) \leq m_1(\gamma_\alpha) \\ 1 & \text{if } m_0(\gamma_\alpha) > m_1(\gamma_\alpha). \end{cases}$$

We argue that c is κ -Cohen generic. Let $(S, T) \in \mathbb{Q}^*$ and let $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}_\kappa$ be dense. We shall find $(S', T') \leq (S, T)$ and $w \in D$ such that $(S', T') \Vdash w \subseteq \dot{c}$. Let $\sigma = \text{stem}(S)$ and $\tau = \text{stem}(T)$. By an easy pruning argument we see that we may assume without loss of generality that the stems have the same length and let $\delta = \ell(\sigma) = \ell(\tau)$. Then $(S, T) \Vdash \dot{m}_0 \upharpoonright \delta = \sigma$ and $\dot{m}_1 \upharpoonright \delta = \tau$. We may also suppose that δ is a limit of oscillation points of σ and τ . This means that there are $\epsilon < \kappa$ and a continuous increasing sequence $(\gamma_\alpha : \alpha \leq \epsilon)$ such that

$$(S, T) \Vdash \dot{C} \cap \delta = \{\dot{\gamma}_\alpha : \alpha < \epsilon\} = \{\gamma_\alpha : \alpha < \epsilon\} \text{ and } \dot{\gamma}_\epsilon = \gamma_\epsilon = \delta \in \dot{C}.$$

Now define the function $v \in 2^{<\kappa}$ with domain $\text{dom}(v) = \epsilon$ and

$$v(\alpha) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \sigma(\gamma_\alpha) \leq \tau(\gamma_\alpha) \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for $\alpha < \epsilon$. Clearly $(S, T) \Vdash v \subseteq \dot{c}$ and no further values of \dot{c} are decided by (S, T) .

Using the density of D take $w \in D$ such that $w \supseteq v$. Let θ be the order type of $\text{dom}(w) - \text{dom}(v)$, that is, $\epsilon + \theta = \text{dom}(w)$. Let $\{\xi_\eta : \eta < \theta\}$ enumerate the limit ordinals in $\omega \times \theta$, that is, $\xi_0 = 0, \xi_1 = \omega, \dots$. Now recursively construct σ_ξ and τ_ξ , $\xi \in \omega \times \theta$, such that

- $\sigma_0 = \sigma$ and $\tau_0 = \tau$,
- the σ_ξ form a strictly increasing sequence of splitting nodes of S and the τ_ξ form a strictly increasing sequence of splitting nodes of T ,
- if ξ is a limit ordinal, then $\sigma_\xi = \bigcup_{\zeta < \xi} \sigma_\zeta$, $\tau_\xi = \bigcup_{\zeta < \xi} \tau_\zeta$, and $\ell(\sigma_\xi) = \ell(\tau_\xi)$,
- if ξ is a successor ordinal, then $\ell(\sigma_\xi) < \ell(\tau_\xi) < \ell(\sigma_{\xi+1})$, for β with $\ell(\sigma_\xi) \leq \beta < \ell(\tau_\xi)$, $\tau_\xi(\beta) < \sigma_{\xi+1}(\beta)$, and for β with $\ell(\tau_\xi) \leq \beta < \ell(\sigma_{\xi+1})$, $\sigma_{\xi+1}(\beta) < \tau_{\xi+1}(\beta)$,
- if ξ_η is 0 or a limit ordinal, then:
 - if $w(\epsilon + \eta) = 0$, $\sigma_{\xi_\eta+1}(\beta) < \tau_{\xi_\eta+1}(\beta)$ for all β with $\ell(\sigma_{\xi_\eta}) = \ell(\tau_{\xi_\eta}) \leq \beta < \ell(\sigma_{\xi_\eta+1})$,
 - if $w(\epsilon + \eta) = 1$, there is δ with $\ell(\sigma_{\xi_\eta}) = \ell(\tau_{\xi_\eta}) < \delta < \ell(\sigma_{\xi_\eta+1})$ such that $\tau_{\xi_\eta+1}(\beta) < \sigma_{\xi_\eta+1}(\beta)$ for all β with $\ell(\sigma_{\xi_\eta}) = \ell(\tau_{\xi_\eta}) \leq \beta < \delta$ and $\sigma_{\xi_\eta+1}(\beta) < \tau_{\xi_\eta+1}(\beta)$ for all β with $\delta \leq \beta < \ell(\sigma_{\xi_\eta+1})$.

By alternately extending the splitting nodes in S and in T , respectively, it is easy to see that this construction can be carried out.

Now let $\sigma' = \bigcup_{\xi \in \omega \times \theta} \sigma_\xi$ and $\tau' = \bigcup_{\xi \in \omega \times \theta} \tau_\xi$. Clearly $\ell(\sigma') = \ell(\tau')$. Let $S' = S_{\sigma'}$ and $T' = T_{\tau'}$. Note that, by construction, the only new ordinals which are limits of oscillation points of σ' and τ' are the $\ell(\sigma_{\xi_\eta}) = \ell(\tau_{\xi_\eta})$, $\eta < \theta$. This means that

$$(S', T') \Vdash \dot{C} \cap \ell(\sigma') = \{\dot{\gamma}_\alpha : \alpha < \epsilon + \theta\} = \{\gamma_\alpha : \alpha < \epsilon\} \cup \{\ell(\sigma_{\xi_\eta}) : \eta < \theta\}.$$

Furthermore, by the last item of the construction, we see that $(S', T') \Vdash w \subseteq \dot{c}$. \square

It is well-known that the full product of countably many Cohen reals collapses the continuum to ω and thus, by [VW], the same is true for the full product of countably many Miller reals. For strongly inaccessible κ , the situation is different, the κ -support product of κ -Cohen forcing preserves κ^+ [Fr, Proposition 24] and therefore, under GCH, all cardinals. We shall see below (Proposition 88) the same is true for κ -Miller forcing so that we may actually consider the product.

Let \mathcal{F} be a κ -complete normal filter on κ .

Definition 86. For a set A of ordinals, $\mathbb{MII}_{\kappa,A}^{\mathcal{F}}$ is the κ -support product of $\mathbb{MII}_{\kappa}^{\mathcal{F}}$ with index set A , that is, $\mathbb{MII}_{\kappa,A}^{\mathcal{F}}$ consists of all functions $p : A \rightarrow \mathbb{MII}_{\kappa}^{\mathcal{F}}$ such that $\text{supp}(p) = \{\beta \in A : p(\beta) \neq \kappa^{<\kappa}\}$ has size at most κ . $\mathbb{MII}_{\kappa,A}^{\mathcal{F}}$ is ordered coordinatewise: $q \leq p$ if $q(\beta) \leq p(\beta)$ for all $\beta \in A$.

As in the κ -Sacks case, given $\beta \in A$, $\mathbb{MII}_{\kappa,A}^{\mathcal{F}}$ adds a $\mathbb{MII}_{\kappa}^{\mathcal{F}}$ -generic function m_{β} over the ground model. If $\delta < \kappa$ is a limit ordinal and $(p_{\alpha} : \alpha < \delta)$ is a decreasing chain of conditions in $\mathbb{MII}_{\kappa,A}^{\mathcal{F}}$, $p = \bigwedge_{\alpha < \delta} p_{\alpha} \in \mathbb{MII}_{\kappa,A}^{\mathcal{F}}$ is defined by $p(\beta) = \bigcap_{\alpha < \delta} p_{\alpha}(\beta)$. Thus, the forcing notion $\mathbb{MII}_{\kappa}^{\mathcal{F}}$ is $< \kappa$ -closed and, assuming $2^{\kappa} = \kappa^{+}$, has the κ^{++} -cc. For every $F \subseteq A$ of size $< \kappa$ and $\alpha < \kappa$, we define the *fusion ordering* $\leq_{F,\alpha}$ as follows: $q \leq_{F,\alpha} p$ if $q \leq p$ and for every $\beta \in F$, $q(\beta) \leq_{\alpha} p(\beta)$.

Definition 87 (Generalized Miller fusion). $(p_{\alpha}, F_{\alpha} : \alpha < \kappa)$ is a *generalized fusion sequence* if $p_{\alpha} \in \mathbb{MII}_{\kappa,A}^{\mathcal{F}}$, $F_{\alpha} \in [A]^{<\kappa}$, and

1. $p_{\alpha+1} \leq_{F_{\alpha},\alpha} p_{\alpha}$ and $p_{\delta} = \bigwedge_{\alpha < \delta} p_{\alpha}$ when δ is a limit ordinal $< \kappa$,
2. $F_{\alpha} \subseteq F_{\alpha+1}$, $F_{\delta} = \bigcup_{\alpha < \delta} F_{\alpha}$ for limit $\delta < \kappa$ and $\bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} F_{\alpha} = \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} \text{supp}(p_{\alpha})$.

By the analogue of the Generalized Fusion Lemma from Kanamori [Ka] we see that given such a generalized fusion sequence $(p_{\alpha}, F_{\alpha} : \alpha < \kappa)$ the *fusion* $p = \bigwedge_{\alpha < \kappa} p_{\alpha}$ is a condition in $\mathbb{MII}_{\kappa,A}^{\mathcal{F}}$. This allows us to ensure the preservation of κ^{+} .

Proposition 88. $\mathbb{MII}_{\kappa,A}^{\mathcal{F}}$ preserves κ^{+} .

Proof. We first fix some notation. Let $\alpha < \kappa$, $T \in \mathbb{MII}_{\kappa}^{\mathcal{F}}$ and $u \in \text{split}_{\alpha}(T)$. Define T_u^{α} as follows: if u is a final element of $\text{split}_{\alpha}(T)$, i.e., $\{v \in \text{split}(T) : v \subsetneq u\}$ has order type exactly α , then $T_u^{\alpha} = T_u$; otherwise $T_u^{\alpha} = \{t \in T_u : t \subseteq u \text{ or } t(\ell(u)) \cap \text{succ}_T(u) \text{ has order type } > \alpha\}$. Next, for $q \in \mathbb{MII}_{\kappa,A}^{\mathcal{F}}$, $F \subseteq A$, and $\bar{u} = (u_{\beta} : \beta \in F)$, define $q_{\bar{u}}^{\alpha}$ by letting

$$q_{\bar{u}}^{\alpha}(\beta) = \begin{cases} (q(\beta))_{u_{\beta}}^{\alpha} & \text{if } \beta \in F \\ q(\beta) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Now assume $p \in \mathbb{MII}_{\kappa,A}^{\mathcal{F}}$ and \dot{f} is an $\mathbb{MII}_{\kappa,A}^{\mathcal{F}}$ -name for a function from κ to the ordinals. We recursively construct a generalized fusion sequence $(p_{\alpha}, F_{\alpha} : \alpha < \kappa)$ and sets B_{α} of ordinals such that

- $|F_{\alpha}| \leq |\alpha|$,
- $|B_{\alpha}| \leq \max(2^{|\alpha|}, \omega)$,
- for all $\zeta < \alpha$ and all sequences $\bar{u} = (u_{\beta} : \beta \in F_{\alpha})$ with all $u_{\beta} \in \text{split}_{\alpha}(p_{\alpha}(\beta))$, if there is $q \leq_{F_{\alpha},0} (p_{\alpha+1})_{\bar{u}}^{\alpha}$ forcing a value to $\dot{f}(\zeta)$, then for some $\xi \in B_{\alpha}$, $(p_{\alpha+1})_{\bar{u}}^{\alpha} \Vdash \dot{f}(\zeta) = \xi$.

For the basic step, let $p_0 = p$ and $B_0 = \emptyset$.

For the successor step, suppose that p_α and F_α have already been constructed. Let $\bar{U} = \{\bar{u} = (u_\beta : \beta \in F_\alpha) : u_\beta \in \text{split}_\alpha(p_\alpha(\beta)) \text{ for all } \beta \in F_\alpha\}$. Since $|\text{split}_\alpha(p_\alpha(\beta))| \leq |(\alpha + 1)^{\alpha+1}|$ for all β and $|F_\alpha| \leq |\alpha|$, we see that $|\bar{U}| = 2^{|\alpha|}$ for infinite α . Let $((\bar{u}_\gamma, \zeta_\gamma) : \gamma < \lambda_\alpha)$ enumerate all pairs $(\bar{u}, \zeta) \in \bar{U} \times \alpha$ where $\lambda_\alpha = |\bar{U} \times \alpha| \leq \max(2^{|\alpha|}, \omega)$. Recursively construct a decreasing chain $(q_\alpha^\gamma : \gamma < \lambda_\alpha)$ of conditions and ordinals $(\xi_\alpha^\gamma : \gamma < \lambda_\alpha)$ such that

- $q_\alpha^0 = p_\alpha$, $q_\alpha^\delta \leq_{F_\alpha, \alpha} q_\alpha^\gamma$ for all $\gamma \leq \delta$,
- if there is $q \leq_{F_\alpha, 0} (q_\alpha^\gamma)_{\bar{u}_\gamma}^\alpha$ forcing a value to $\dot{f}(\zeta_\gamma)$, then $(q_\alpha^{\gamma+1})_{\bar{u}_\gamma}^\alpha \Vdash \dot{f}(\zeta_\gamma) = \xi_\alpha^\gamma$,
- $q_\alpha^\delta = \bigwedge_{\gamma < \delta} q_\alpha^\gamma$ for limit ordinals δ .

Since the basic step and the limit step are straightforward, it suffices to do the successor step of this recursion. Assume q_α^γ has been produced. If no q as in the second clause exists, let $\xi_\alpha^\gamma = 0$ and $q_\alpha^{\gamma+1} = q_\alpha^\gamma$. If such a q exists, say $q \Vdash \dot{f}(\zeta_\gamma) = \xi$, then let $\xi_\alpha^\gamma = \xi$ and

$$q_\alpha^{\gamma+1}(\beta) = \begin{cases} q(\beta) \cup \bigcup \{(q_\alpha^\gamma(\beta))_u : u \in \text{split}_\alpha(p_\alpha(\beta)) \setminus \{(u_\gamma)_\beta\}\} & \text{if } \beta \in F_\alpha \\ q(\beta) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Clearly $q(\beta) = (q_\alpha^{\gamma+1}(\beta))_{(u_\gamma)_\beta}^\alpha$ for $\beta \in F_\alpha$ and $q_\alpha^{\gamma+1} \leq_{F_\alpha, \alpha} q_\alpha^\gamma$. This completes the recursive construction. Let $p_{\alpha+1} = \bigwedge_{\gamma < \lambda_\alpha} q_\alpha^\gamma$ and $B_\alpha = \{\xi_\alpha^\gamma : \gamma < \lambda_\alpha\}$. Clearly, $p_{\alpha+1} \leq_{F_\alpha, \alpha} p_\alpha$ and B_α has size at most λ_α . Finally define $F_{\alpha+1}$ by adding a single element to F_α and by guaranteeing via a book-keeping argument that the union of the F_α will agree with the union of the $\text{supp}(p_\alpha)$.

For the limit step, suppose we already have constructed $(p_\alpha, F_\alpha : \alpha < \delta)$ where δ is a limit ordinal. We let $p_\delta = \bigwedge_{\alpha < \delta} p_\alpha$ and $F_\delta = \bigcup_{\alpha < \delta} F_\alpha$.

Take the fusion $q = \bigwedge_{\alpha < \kappa} p_\alpha$ of the sequence $(p_\alpha, F_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$. Then $q \leq p_\alpha$ for all α . We claim that q forces $\text{ran}(\dot{f}) \subseteq B$ where $B = \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} B_\alpha$.

To see this, let $r \leq q$ and assume $r \Vdash \dot{f}(\zeta) = \eta$ for some $\zeta < \kappa$ and some η . Choose $\alpha > \zeta$ such that $u_\beta := \text{stem}(r(\beta)) \in \text{split}_\alpha(q(\beta)) = \text{split}_\alpha(p_\alpha(\beta))$ for all $\beta \in F_\alpha$. (This is clearly possible because the sequence $(F_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa)$ is continuous.) Let $\bar{u} = (u_\beta : \beta \in F_\alpha)$. By construction we must have $(p_{\alpha+1})_{\bar{u}}^\alpha \Vdash \dot{f}(\zeta) = \xi$ for some $\xi \in B_\alpha$. Since $r \leq_{F_\alpha, 0} q_{\bar{u}} \leq_{F_\alpha, 0} (p_{\alpha+1})_{\bar{u}}$, r and $(p_{\alpha+1})_{\bar{u}}^\alpha$ are compatible and therefore $\eta = \xi \in B_\alpha \subseteq B$, as required. \square

If we consider the product when $A = \lambda$ we obtain a model in which the cardinal invariants assume the same values as in the κ -Cohen extension (see Proposition 47).

Proposition 89. *Assume $2^\kappa = \kappa^+$ and let $\lambda > \kappa^+$ be a cardinal with $\lambda^\kappa = \lambda$. Then, in the $\text{MII}_{\kappa, \lambda}^{\mathcal{F}}$ -generic extension, $\text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = \kappa^+$ and $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) = 2^\kappa = \lambda$ holds.*

Proof. The equality $2^\kappa = \lambda$ follows from $\lambda^\kappa = \lambda$. Using Proposition 85 we know that the product $\text{MII}_{\kappa,\lambda}^{\mathcal{F}}$ adds λ -many κ -Cohen functions.

For $\gamma < \delta < \lambda$, let $\dot{c}_{\gamma,\delta}$ be the κ -Cohen function constructed from the κ -Miller functions \dot{m}_γ and \dot{m}_δ . Let \dot{f} be a $\text{MII}_{\kappa,\lambda}^{\mathcal{F}}$ -name for a function $\dot{f} : 2^{<\kappa} \rightarrow 2^{<\kappa}$ with $\sigma \subseteq \dot{f}(\sigma)$, for all $\sigma \in 2^{<\kappa}$. Assume that a condition p forces that \dot{f} is already added by the subforcing $\text{MII}_{\kappa,B}^{\mathcal{F}}$ for some $B \subseteq \lambda$. Also assume $\gamma, \delta \notin B$. Then, as in the proof of Proposition 47, we can show that $p \Vdash \dot{c}_{\gamma,\delta} \notin A_{\dot{f}}$ where $A_{\dot{f}}$ is defined as in Subsection 4.1.

Let $\mu < \lambda$ and let $(\dot{f}_\beta : \beta < \mu)$ be $\text{MII}_{\kappa,\lambda}^{\mathcal{F}}$ -names for functions from $2^{<\kappa}$ to $2^{<\kappa}$ with $\sigma \subseteq \dot{f}_\beta(\sigma)$ for all $\sigma \in 2^{<\kappa}$ and $\beta < \mu$. By the κ^{++} -cc we can find sets $B_\beta \subseteq \lambda$, for all $\beta < \mu$, of size at most κ^+ such that \dot{f}_β is added by the subforcing $\text{MII}_{\kappa,B_\beta}^{\mathcal{F}}$. Hence, if $(\gamma, \delta) \notin \bigcup_{\beta < \mu} B_\beta$, we have $\Vdash \dot{c}_{\gamma,\delta} \notin \bigcup_{\beta < \mu} A_{\dot{f}_\beta}$, and $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \geq \lambda$ follows.

For $\text{non}(\mathcal{M}_\kappa) \leq \kappa^+$ it is enough to see that the set of the first κ^+ many κ -Cohen functions $\{\dot{c}_{\gamma,\delta} : \gamma < \delta < \kappa^+\}$ is non-meager in the generic extension. Fix \dot{f}_β , $\beta < \kappa$, as before. Also let $p \in \text{MII}_{\kappa,\lambda}^{\mathcal{F}}$ be arbitrary. By the proof of the previous proposition, we can find $q \leq p$ and $B \subseteq \lambda$ of size $\leq \kappa$ such that q forces all \dot{f}_β are already added by the subforcing $\text{MII}_{\kappa,B}^{\mathcal{F}}$. Thus q forces that $\dot{c}_{\gamma,\delta}$ is not contained in the union of the $A_{\dot{f}_\beta}$, as required. \square

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