

§4 Improvements

§4.1 Active Mice

For the sake of simplicity we have up till now assumed that \mathcal{J} is a truncation free iteration of a passive premouse.

We now drop these assumptions and show how the proof can be modified.

Since both branches have at most finitely many truncations, we may w.l.o.g. assume the ordinal α to be

so chosen that no $j \in b_h \setminus \bar{\beta}_h$ is a truncation point ($h=0,1$). (Thus $\pi_{j, b_h} : M_j \rightarrow M_{b_h}$ will still be a total function on M_j .) However, M_j may not be passive, either because M_0 was not passive or because a top extender was introduced by an earlier truncation. This vitiates an important element of our proof: We often used:

(*) If $\kappa_i < \kappa < \lambda_i$ and κ is a cardinal in $J_{\lambda_i}^{E^{M_i}}$, then $E_{\kappa_i}^{M_i} \upharpoonright \kappa \in M_i$.

(This was because, in fact, $E_{\kappa_i}^{M_i} \in M_{i,r}$)

Thus when we set $F^0 = E_{\kappa_{i_0}} \upharpoonright \kappa_{i_1}$, we knew that $F^0 \in M_{i_0}$. Since $\lambda_{\aleph_1} \leq \lambda_{i_0}$,

we also knew that $\tau_{i_0} = \kappa_{i_1}^{+M_{i_0}}$ and hence that $F^0 \in J_{\tau_{i_0}}^{E^{M_{i_0}}} \in N$,

(*) can fail, however, if κ_i is the top extender of M_i . This means that §1 (10) and with it §1 Lemma 1 may fail. In [NKS] §6 we developed a method of circumventing this problem, which we can also use here to prove a modified version of §1 Lemma 1.

(Note All of the proofs we have done up till now can easily be redone in Steel mice instead of λ -mice. Steel mice have the advantage that the above problem does not occur; Steel's indices are so

chosen that the analogue of (*) holds even at top extenders. For λ -mice, however, and for many possible intermediate indexing schemes, the method of [NFS] §6 is needed.)

In the following we shall state a number of facts without proof, for which we refer the reader to [NFS] §6. We also follow the convention used there of writing E_{top}^M to denote the top extender of an active premouse M . We define:

$ND =$ the set of $m > 0$ s.t. $E_{\text{top}}^{M_{i_m+1}}$ exists and $\text{crit}(E_{\text{top}}^{M_{i_m+1}}) \in [k_{i_{m-1}}, k_{i_m})$.

We then observe that in each b_h there can be at most one m with $i_m \in ND$. Hence we can w.l.o.g. suppose d to be so chosen that $b_h \cap ND = \emptyset$ ($h=0,1$).

In place of the sequence F_{α}^{∞} of extenders on κ_{i_m} we define a

new sequence G_m^n (in ω) of extenders

on a κ_m^* set, $\kappa_{i_m} < \kappa_m^* < \kappa_{i_{m+1}}$. We

display this procedure for $m=0$.

At $E_{\kappa_{i_0}} \upharpoonright \kappa_{i_1} \in M_{i_0}$ we act: $G^0 = F^0$
exactly as before. Now let $E_{\kappa_{i_0}} \upharpoonright \kappa_{i_1} \notin M_{i_0}$.

Then $E_{\kappa_{i_0}}$ is the top extender of M_{i_0} .

Moreover $\rho_{M_{i_0}}^1 \leq \kappa_{i_1}$, since $E_{\kappa_{i_0}} \upharpoonright \kappa_{i_1}$ can be
coded in a subset of $J_{\kappa_{i_1}}^{E_{M_{i_0}}}$. But

then $i_0 > \beta_1$, since otherwise $\kappa_{i_1} < \lambda_{\beta_1}^{\beta_{i_0}}$,

hence $\beta_{i_1} \leq \beta_{i_0}$. Contradiction! Thus

i_0 is either a successor or limit
ordinal. But then there is a $\delta+1 \leq_T i_0$
s.t. $\kappa_{i_1} < \lambda_\delta$. (Otherwise $i_0 = T(i_1+1) = \beta_1$.)

But, since $\kappa_{i_0} < \kappa_{i_1}$, we then have
 $\text{crit}(E_{\text{top}}^{M_{i_1+1}}) = \kappa_{i_0}$. Hence $1 \in \text{ND}$.

(Contradiction!)

Set: $\delta = \delta^* = \delta_0^*$ = the least such δ ,

δ can then be shown to have the
following properties:

(a) $\kappa_{i_0} < \kappa_{\delta} < \kappa_{i_1}$

(b) $\pi_{\delta+1, i_0} : M_{\delta+1} \rightarrow M_{i_0}$ is a total map

(i.e. there is no truncation between $\delta+1$ and i_0)

At $E_{\kappa_{\delta}}^{M_{\delta}} \mid \kappa_{i_1} \in M_{\delta}$, we set: $G^{\circ} = E_{\kappa_{\delta}}^{M_{\delta}} \mid \kappa_{i_1}$

Then $\kappa_{i_1} + M_{\delta} = \kappa_{i_1} + M_{i_0} = \kappa_{i_1} + N$ and we

conclude that $G^{\circ} \in N$. At $E_{\kappa_{\delta}}^{M_{\delta}} \mid \kappa_{i_1} \notin M_{\delta}$,

then $E_{\kappa_{\delta}}^{M_{\delta}}$ is the top extender of M_{δ} , and

we repeat the process with δ in place of i_0 .

In this way we obtain a descending

sequence: $i_0 = \delta^0 > \delta^1 > \delta^2 > \dots$

The sequence must terminate at some integer p . We then set:

$$\bar{\delta} = \delta^p, \quad G^{\circ} = E_{\kappa_{\bar{\delta}}}^{M_{\bar{\delta}}} \mid \kappa_{i_1}$$

Then $G^{\circ} \in M_{\bar{\delta}}$ and, in fact, $G^{\circ} \in N$.

We also have $\kappa_{i_0} \leq \bar{\kappa} < \kappa_{i_1}$, where

$\bar{\kappa} = \kappa_{\bar{\delta}}$. Moreover each of the

maps π_h is total on M_{δ^h} , where

$$\pi_0 = \text{id} \upharpoonright M_{i_0}, \quad \pi_{h+1} = \pi_h \circ \pi_{\delta^{h+1}, \delta^h}$$

for $h < p$.

Just as before we define:

$$G^{m+1} = \overline{\kappa} \sum_{i_{m+1}, i_{m+1}+1}^{i_{m+2}} (G^m) / \kappa_{i_{m+2}}$$

for $m < \omega$. Hence $G^m \in N$ for $m < \omega$, verifying the strongness of $\overline{\pi} = \overline{\pi}_0$ in N .

In place of §1 Lemma 1 we then get:

Lemma 1 If $B \subset N$ is captured at m , then $\overline{\pi}_m$ is strong in $\langle N, B \rangle$.

proof (sketch).

B can be easily coded as a subset of δ , so suppose $B \subset \delta$. We display the proof for $m=0$, showing:

Claim $\overline{\pi}_m (B \cap \overline{\pi}) = B \cap \kappa_{i_{m+1}}$ ($m < \omega$),

where $\overline{\pi}_m : N \rightarrow_{G^m} N'$.

The case $m > 0$ is exactly as before,

so let $m=0$. At $\overline{\delta} = i_0$, then $G^0 = F^0$ and the proof is exactly as before. Now let e.g. $\overline{\delta} = \delta^1$. Then $\overline{\pi} = \kappa_{\delta^1}$ where $\delta^1 = \delta^1$.

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Let $\bar{\gamma} = T(\gamma + 1)$. Then

$$\overline{\pi}_{\bar{\gamma}, i_0} (B \cap \kappa_\gamma) = \overline{\pi}_{\bar{\gamma}, \beta+1} (B \cap \kappa_\gamma),$$

since $\overline{\pi}_{\beta+1, i_0} \upharpoonright \lambda_\gamma = \text{id}$. Hence:

$$\pi^0 (B \cap \kappa_\gamma) = \overline{\pi}_{\bar{\gamma}, i_0} (B \cap \kappa_\gamma) \cap \kappa_{i_1}.$$

$$\text{Let } \overline{\pi}_{\bar{\gamma}, i_0} : M_{\bar{\gamma}}^* \rightarrow M_{i_0}.$$

Then $\overline{\pi}_{\bar{\gamma}, i_0}$ takes $E_{\text{top}}^{M_{\bar{\gamma}}^*}$ to $E_{\text{top}}^{M_{i_0}}$.

Thus, if we set:

$$\sigma : M_{i_0} \xrightarrow{E_{\text{top}}} M, \quad \bar{\sigma} : M_{\bar{\gamma}}^* \xrightarrow{E_{\text{top}}} \bar{M},$$

then $\overline{\pi}_{\bar{\gamma}, i_0} \circ \bar{\sigma} = \sigma \circ \overline{\pi}_{\bar{\gamma}, i_0}$. Thus:

$$\overline{\pi}_{\bar{\gamma}, i_0} (B \cap \kappa_\gamma) = \overline{\pi}_{\bar{\gamma}, i_0} (\bar{\sigma} (B \cap \kappa_{i_0}) \cap \kappa_\gamma) =$$

$$= \sigma (B \cap \kappa_{i_0}) \cap \lambda_\gamma = B \cap \lambda_\gamma$$

(since $\kappa_{i_0} < \kappa_\gamma$).

Hence:

$$G^0 (B \cap \kappa_\gamma) = \overline{\pi}_{\bar{\gamma}, \beta+1} (B \cap \kappa_\gamma) \cap \kappa_{i_1} =$$

$$= \overline{\pi}_{\bar{\gamma}, i_0} (B \cap \kappa_\gamma) \cap \kappa_{i_1} = B \cap \lambda_\gamma \cap \kappa_{i_1} = B \cap \kappa_{i_1}.$$

This proves the case $\bar{\gamma} = \gamma^1$. At $\bar{\gamma} < \gamma^1$,
we iterate this argument, showing:

$$\pi_{\bar{\gamma}, \gamma_{h+1}} (B \cap \kappa_{\gamma h}) \cap \kappa_{i_1} = B \cap \kappa_{i_1}$$

for $h \leq p$, where $\bar{\gamma} = \gamma^p$, by induction on h . QED (Lemma 1)

(Note The full details can be read in [NFS] §6. The assumption on $B \subset N$ is weaker than here, but the proof is exactly the same.)

Lemma 2 holds as stated in §1, but its proof must be amended:

Lemma 2 Let $B \subset N$ be captured at m . Set $\tilde{N} = \langle N, B \rangle$. Then $\tilde{N} \upharpoonright \kappa_{i_m} \stackrel{\Sigma_1}{\prec} \tilde{N}$.

proof.

Let $x \in J_{\kappa_{i_m}}^E$ and $\tilde{N} \models \varphi(x)$, where

$\varphi \in \Sigma_1$

Claim $\tilde{N} \upharpoonright \kappa_{i_m} \models \varphi(x)$.

Arguing as in §1 but using the amended form of Lemma 1, we first get:

$$(1) \tilde{N} | \bar{\pi}_m \models \varphi(x).$$

But $\bar{\pi}_m < \kappa_{i_{m+1}} < \lambda_{i_m}$. Since

$$\tilde{N} | \bar{\pi}_m \prec_{\Sigma_0} \tilde{N} | \lambda_{i_m}, \text{ we conclude;}$$

$$(2) \tilde{N} | \lambda_{i_m} \models \varphi(x).$$

$$\text{But } \pi_{\sum_{i_m}^{i_{m+1}}} (\tilde{N} | \kappa_{i_m}) = \tilde{N} | \lambda_{i_m},$$

since $\text{crit}(\pi_{\sum_{i_m}^{i_{m+1}}}) \geq \lambda_{i_m}$.

Hence $\tilde{N} | \kappa_{i_m} \prec \tilde{N} | \lambda_{i_m}$ and

$$(3) \tilde{N} | \kappa_{i_m} \models \varphi(x). \quad \text{QED (Lemma 2)}$$

Lemma 3 and Cor 4 of §1 then follow exactly as before.

The proofs in §3 go through virtually unchanged.

§ 4.2 E - Woodinness

Def Let $M = J_p(N) = J_{\theta+p}^{EN}$, where $N = J_\theta^E$ is a premouse. θ is E - Woodin in M iff it is Woodin as instantiated by extenders lying on the sequence given by E .

More precisely:

Def Let $F \in N$ be an extender of length μ . F conforms to N iff there

is $\kappa \in N$ s.t.

• $F = E_\nu \upharpoonright \mu$ where $\kappa < \mu < \lambda$,
 $\kappa = \text{crit}(E_\nu)$, $\lambda = E_\nu(\kappa)$

• F generates E_ν - i.e., $E_\nu = \bar{\pi} \upharpoonright \#(\kappa) \cap J_\tau^E$
where $\tau = \kappa + J_\nu^E$ and $\bar{\pi}: J_\tau^E \xrightarrow{F} J_\nu^E$.

Def κ is E - strong in $\tilde{N} = \langle N, B \rangle$ iff for arbitrarily large $\lambda \in N$ there is $F \in N$ which is strong w.r.t. \tilde{N} and conforms to N .

Def θ is E - Woodin in $M = J_p(N)$ iff for every $B \subset N$ s.t. $B \in M$ there is $\kappa \in N$ which is E - strong w.r.t. $\langle N, B \rangle$.

We can strengthen the conclusion of Thm 1 § 3 from "Woodin" to "E-Woodin" if we assume that the M_0 which we are iterating is not only a premouse, but also "mouse-like" in the sense that it internally satisfies the condensation lemmas of [CR] § 8 Lemma 4'. In fact, the only consequence of those lemmas we need is:

(*) Let $E_\nu \neq \emptyset$. Let $\kappa = \text{crit}(E_\nu)$
 $\kappa < \gamma < \lambda = E_\nu(\kappa)$ and γ is a
limit cardinal in J_λ^E . Then
 $E_\nu \upharpoonright \gamma$ conforms to M_0 .

Since (*) holds in M_0 , it also holds in N . But that is enough to tell us that the

F^m ($m < \omega$) which verified the $\langle N, B \rangle$ -strongness of κ'_0 in the proof of § 1 Lemma 1

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are all N -conforming. Similarly it
tells us that the extenders G^n ($n < \omega$)
used in the revised version of
in §4.1 are N -conforming.