

# Destructible gaps に関する強制概念とその積

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## 1 Introduction and notation

### 1.1 Introduction

This note is a part of the paper [23].

In this paper, we deal with destructible gaps. A destructible gap is an  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -gap which can be destroyed by a forcing extension preserving cardinals. A destructible gap has a characterization similar to a Suslin tree ([2]). A Suslin tree is an  $\omega_1$ -tree having no uncountable chains and antichains. On the other hand, for an  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -pregap  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) = \langle a_\alpha, b_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1 \rangle$  with the set  $a_\alpha \cap b_\alpha$  empty for every  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ , we say here that  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $\omega_1$  are compatible if

$$(a_\alpha \cap b_\beta) \cup (a_\beta \cap b_\alpha) = \emptyset.$$

Then by the characterization due to Kunen and Todorćević, we notice that an  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -pregap is a destructible gap iff it has no uncountable pairwise compatible and incompatible subsets of  $\omega_1$ . (We must notice that from results of Farah and Hirschorn [8, 9], the existence of a destructible gap is independent with the existence of a Suslin tree.)

One of differences from an  $\omega_1$ -tree is that any  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -pregap have never had an uncountable chain and antichain at the same time. We have forcing notions related to an  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -pregap.

**Definition 1.1 (E.g. [5, 11, 18, 19]).** Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) = \langle a_\alpha, b_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1 \rangle$  be an  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -pregap with  $a_\alpha \cap b_\alpha = \emptyset$  for every  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ .

1.  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) := \{ \sigma \in [\omega_1]^{<\omega}; \forall \alpha \neq \beta \in \sigma, (a_\alpha \cap b_\beta) \cup (a_\beta \cap b_\alpha) \neq \emptyset \}$ , ordered by reverse inclusion.
2.  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) := \{ \sigma \in [\omega_1]^{<\omega}; \bigcup_{\alpha \in \sigma} a_\alpha \cap \bigcup_{\alpha \in \sigma} b_\alpha = \emptyset \}$ , ordered by reverse inclusion.

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We note that  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  forces  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  to be indestructible and  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  forces  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  to be separated. Using these forcing notions, we can express characterizations of being a gap and destructibility.

**Theorem 1.2** (E.g. [5, 11, 18, 19]). *Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  be an  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -pregap. Then;*

1.  *$(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  forms a gap iff  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  has the countable chain condition.*
2.  *$(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is destructible (may not be a gap) iff  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  has the countable chain condition.*

Therefore we say that  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is a destructible gap if both  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  and  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  have the ccc. As in the case of a Suslin tree, by the product lemma for forcings, we note that  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  does not have the ccc, and we will see that e.g., we may have two destructible gaps  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  and  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  so that all variations  $\mathcal{X}_0(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \times \mathcal{X}_1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  have the ccc.

In [10], it is proved that for any family  $\{(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i); i \in I\}$  of  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -gaps, the finite support product  $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i)$  has the countable chain condition. It means that generically making gaps indestructible cannot separate any  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -gap. So we arise a question whether or not the above statement is also true for adding interpolations. We prove that this question cannot be decided from ZFC, i.e.

**Theorem 1.** *It is consistent with ZFC that for any family  $\{(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i); i \in I\}$  of destructible gaps, the product forcing notion  $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i)$  has the countable chain condition.*

**Theorem 2.** *It is consistent with ZFC that there are two destructible gaps  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  and  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  such that the product forcing notion  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  does not have the countable chain condition.*

(We note that the statement in Theorem 1 (and the next theorem) is trivially true if there are no destructible gaps. For example, if Martin's Axiom holds, then all  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$  gaps are indestructible. But it is really consistent with ZFC that the statement in Theorem 1 plus there are many destructible gaps. see the proof of Theorem 1.)

Moreover, we prove the following theorem which is a version of Larson's theorem [14, Theorem 4.6] for a destructible gap.

**Theorem 3.** *It is consistent with ZFC that there exists a destructible gap  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  such that  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  forces that all  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -gaps are indestructible.*

## 1.2 Notation

A pregap in  $\mathcal{P}(\omega)/\text{fin}$  is a pair  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  of subsets of  $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$  such that for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $b \in \mathcal{B}$ , the set  $a \cap b$  is finite. For subsets  $a$  and  $b$  of  $\omega$ , we say that  $a$  is almost contained in  $b$  (and denote  $a \subseteq^* b$ ) if  $a \setminus l$  is a subset of  $b$  for some  $l \in \omega$ . For a pregap  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ , both ordered sets  $\langle \mathcal{A}, \subseteq^* \rangle$  and  $\langle \mathcal{B}, \subseteq^* \rangle$  are well ordered and

these order type are  $\kappa$  and  $\lambda$  respectively, then we say that a pregap  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  has the type  $(\kappa, \lambda)$  or a  $(\kappa, \lambda)$ -pregap. Moreover if  $\kappa = \lambda$ , we say that the pregap is symmetric. For a pregap  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ , we say that  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is separated if for some  $c \in \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ ,  $a \subseteq^* c$  and the set  $c \cap b$  is finite for every  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $b \in \mathcal{B}$ . If a pregap is not separated, we say that it is a gap. Moreover if a gap has the type  $(\kappa, \lambda)$ , it is called a  $(\kappa, \lambda)$ -gap.

For an ordinal  $\alpha$ , if we say that  $\langle a_\xi, b_\xi; \xi \in \alpha \rangle$  is a pregap, we always assume that

- if  $\xi < \eta$  in  $\alpha$ ,  $a_\xi \subseteq^* a_\eta$  and  $b_\xi \subseteq^* b_\eta$ , and
- for every  $\xi \in \alpha$ , the set  $a_\xi \cap b_\xi$  is empty.

Our other notation is quite standard in set theory. (See [4, 12].)

## 2 Products of forcing notions adding interpolations

The referee of the paper [10] has proved the following theorem. (For the proof of the following theorem, see the proof of Claim 2.11 in the proof of Lemma 2.10.)

**Theorem 2.1** ([10, Theorem 4]). *Let  $n \in \omega$  and  $(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i)$  be  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -gaps for  $i < n$ . Then  $\prod_{i < n} \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i)$  has the countable chain condition.*

This theorem says that the forcing a gap to be indestructible cannot force any  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -gap to be separated. But as seen below, we cannot prove from ZFC that the forcing gaps to be separated does not force a gap to be indestructible. The point of the proofs in this section is the homogeneity of the forcing notion  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  for a destructible gap  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  with some property below. For a homogeneity, we give some definitions.

**Definition 2.2** ([18, Definition 2]). *We say that pregaps  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  and  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  are equivalent if  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  and  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  are cofinal each others.*

We notice that if pregaps  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  and  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  are equivalent, then  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is a gap iff so is  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  and  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is destructible iff so is  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ . We note that any  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -pregap has an equivalent pregap  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  such that  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is homogeneous. The similar property of the following one is appeared in the proof of [6, Proposition 2.5].

**Definition 2.3** ([22]). *We say that a pregap  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) = \langle a_\alpha, b_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1 \rangle$  admits finite changes if for all  $\alpha < \omega_1$ ,  $a_\alpha \cap b_\alpha$  is empty and the set  $\omega \setminus (a_\alpha \cup b_\alpha)$  is infinite, and for any  $\beta < \alpha$  with  $\beta = \eta + k$  for some  $\eta \in \text{Lim} \cap \alpha$  and  $k \in \omega$ ,  $H, J \in [\omega]^{<\omega}$  with  $H \cap J = \emptyset$  and  $i > \max(H \cup J)$  there exists  $n \in \omega$  so that*

$$a_{\eta+n} \cap i = H, \quad a_{\eta+n} \setminus i = a_\beta \setminus i, \quad b_{\eta+n} \cap i = J, \quad \text{and} \quad b_{\eta+n} \setminus i = b_\beta \setminus i.$$

For a homogeneity, we need a little strong property of the admission of finite changes.

**Definition 2.4.** We say that a pregap  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) = \langle a_\alpha, b_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1 \rangle$  strictly admits finite changes if it admits finite changes and for all  $\alpha \neq \beta$  in  $\omega_1$ ,  $\langle a_\alpha, b_\alpha \rangle \neq \langle a_\beta, b_\beta \rangle$ .

We note that any symmetric gap has an equivalent gap which strictly admits finite changes. So the rest of this paper, we consider only  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -gaps which strictly admits finite changes because of the following propositions.

**Proposition 2.5.** Let  $\langle (\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i); i < n \rangle$  be a finite collection of destructible gaps and  $(\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{D}_i)$  a gap equivalent to  $(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i)$  for each  $i < n$ . Then for any combination  $\langle \mathcal{X}_i; i < n \rangle$ , where  $\mathcal{X}_i$  is either  $\mathcal{F}$  or  $\mathcal{S}$ , the finite support product  $\prod_{i < n} \mathcal{X}_i(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i)$  has the countable chain condition iff  $\prod_{i < n} \mathcal{X}_i(\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{D}_i)$  also has the countable chain condition.

*Proof.* Let  $(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i) = \langle a_\xi^i, b_\xi^i; \xi \in \omega_1 \rangle$  and  $(\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{D}_i) = \langle c_\xi^i, d_\xi^i; \xi \in \omega_1 \rangle$ . It suffices to show that if  $\prod_{i < n} \mathcal{X}_i(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i)$  has the countable chain condition, then  $\prod_{i < n} \mathcal{X}_i(\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{D}_i)$  also has the countable chain condition.

Let  $\{p_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1\}$  be a family of conditions in  $\prod_{i < n} \mathcal{X}_i(\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{D}_i)$ . Without loss of generality, we may assume that

- the set  $\{p_\alpha(i); \alpha \in \omega_1\}$  forms a  $\Delta$ -system with a root  $\sigma_i$  for each  $i < n$ ,
- all  $p_\alpha(i) \setminus \sigma_i$  have the same size  $k_i$  for each  $i < n$  and
- for any  $\alpha < \beta$  in  $\omega_1$  and  $i < n$ ,

$$\max(\sigma_i) < \min(p_\alpha(i) \setminus \sigma_i) \quad \text{and} \quad \max(p_\alpha(i) \setminus \sigma_i) < \min(p_\beta(i) \setminus \sigma_i).$$

Moreover, we may assume that there exists a family  $\{q_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1\}$  of conditions in  $\prod_{i < n} \mathcal{X}_i(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i)$  and a natural numbers  $m_i$  for each  $i < n$  such that

- for any  $\alpha < \beta$  in  $\omega_1$  and  $i < n$ ,

$$\max(p_\alpha(i) \setminus \sigma_i) < \min(q_\alpha(i)) \leq \max(q_\alpha(i)) < \min(p_\beta(i) \setminus \sigma_i),$$

- for each  $i < n$ ,
  - if  $\mathcal{X}_i = \mathcal{F}$ , then for any  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ ,  $q_\alpha(i)$  has the size  $k_i$  and for each  $\xi \in p_\alpha(i) \setminus \sigma_i$ , there is  $\eta \in q_\alpha(i)$  such that

$$a_\eta^i \setminus m_i \subseteq a_\xi^i \quad \text{and} \quad b_\eta^i \setminus m_i \subseteq b_\xi^i,$$

- if  $\mathcal{X}_i = \mathcal{S}$ , then for any  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ ,  $q_\alpha(i) = \{\gamma_\alpha^i\}$  and

$$\bigcup_{\xi \in p(\alpha)} a_\xi^i \setminus m_i \subseteq a_{\gamma_\alpha^i} \quad \text{and} \quad \bigcup_{\xi \in p(\alpha)} d_\xi^i \setminus m_i \subseteq b_{\gamma_\alpha^i},$$

and

- for any  $\alpha, \beta \in \omega_1$ ,

$$\bigcup_{\xi \in p(\alpha)} c_\xi^i \cap m_i = \bigcup_{\xi \in p(\beta)} c_\xi^i \cap m_i \quad \text{and} \quad \bigcup_{\xi \in p(\alpha)} d_\xi^i \cap m_i = \bigcup_{\xi \in p(\beta)} d_\xi^i \cap m_i.$$

By the ccc-ness of  $\prod_{i < n} \mathcal{X}_i(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i)$ , we can find different ordinals  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $\omega_1$  such that  $q_\alpha$  and  $q_\beta$  are compatible in  $\prod_{i < n} \mathcal{X}_i(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i)$ . Then we notice that  $p_\alpha$  and  $p_\beta$  are compatible in  $\prod_{i < n} \mathcal{X}_i(\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{D}_i)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.6.** *If  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  strictly admits finite changes, then  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is homogeneous as a forcing notion, i.e. for every  $\sigma, \tau \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  there are extensions  $\sigma'$  and  $\tau'$  of  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  respectively such that  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \sigma'$  and  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \tau'$  are isomorphic.*

*Proof.* Now we fix  $\sigma, \tau \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ . By strict admission of finite changes of  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ , we can find extensions  $\sigma'$  and  $\tau'$  of  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  respectively such that

(i)  $\max\{\alpha \in \omega_1 \cap \text{Lim}; \exists k \in \omega (\alpha + k \in \sigma')\} = \max\{\alpha \in \omega_1 \cap \text{Lim}; \exists k \in \omega (\alpha + k \in \tau')\}$  and

(ii) there exists  $N \in \omega$  such that

- for any  $\alpha < \beta \in \sigma'$ ,  $a_\alpha \setminus N \subseteq a_\beta \setminus N$  and  $b_\alpha \setminus N \subseteq b_\beta \setminus N$ ,
- for any  $\alpha < \beta \in \tau'$ ,  $a_\alpha \setminus N \subseteq a_\beta \setminus N$  and  $b_\alpha \setminus N \subseteq b_\beta \setminus N$ , and
- $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \sigma'} (a_\alpha \cap N) \cup \bigcup_{\alpha \in \sigma'} (b_\alpha \cap N) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \tau'} (a_\alpha \cap N) \cup \bigcup_{\alpha \in \tau'} (b_\alpha \cap N) = N$ .

Then we note that

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in \sigma'} (a_\alpha \setminus N) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \tau'} (a_\alpha \setminus N) \quad \text{and} \quad \bigcup_{\alpha \in \sigma'} (b_\alpha \setminus N) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \tau'} (b_\alpha \setminus N)$$

We note that if  $\gamma \in \omega_1$  is such that  $\sigma' \cup \{\gamma\}$  is also a condition in  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ , then

$$a_\gamma \cap n \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in \sigma'} (a_\alpha \cap n), \quad b_\gamma \cap n \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in \sigma'} (b_\alpha \cap n)$$

and

$$\left( (a_\gamma \setminus n) \cap \left( \bigcup_{\alpha \in \sigma'} (b_\alpha \setminus n) \right) \right) \cup \left( (b_\gamma \setminus n) \cap \left( \bigcup_{\alpha \in \sigma'} (a_\alpha \setminus n) \right) \right) = \emptyset.$$

We pick any bijection  $\pi$  from

$$\mathcal{P} \left( \bigcup_{\alpha \in \sigma'} a_\alpha \cap n \right) \times \mathcal{P} \left( \bigcup_{\alpha \in \sigma'} b_\alpha \cap n \right)$$

onto

$$\mathcal{P}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \tau'} a_\alpha \cap n\right) \times \mathcal{P}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \tau'} b_\alpha \cap n\right)$$

and let  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  represent the first and second coordinates of the value of  $\pi$  respectively. We define an isomorphism  $\psi$  from  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \sigma'$  onto  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \tau'$  as follow. Let  $\rho$  be an extension of  $\sigma'$  and  $\beta \in \rho \setminus \sigma'$ , say  $\beta = \alpha + k$  for  $\alpha \in \omega_1 \cap \text{Lim}$  and  $k \in \omega$ ,  $a_\beta = H \cup (a_\alpha \setminus N)$  and  $b_\beta = K \cup (b_\alpha \setminus N)$ , where  $H$  and  $K$  are subsets of  $N$ . Then we let  $k^\circ$  be the unique number such that

$$a_{\alpha+k^\circ} = \pi_1(H, K) \cup (a_\beta \setminus N)$$

and

$$b_{\alpha+k^\circ} = \pi_2(H, K) \cup (b_\beta \setminus N).$$

Then we define  $\beta^\circ := \alpha + k^\circ$  and

$$\psi(\rho) := \tau' \cup \{\beta^\circ; \beta \in \rho \setminus \sigma'\}.$$

By the above note, this is well defined and certainly an isomorphism.  $\square$

Lemma 2.6 says that the theory in the extension with  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  can calculate in the ground model when  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  strictly admits finite changes, that is, if some condition in  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  can force the statement about elements of the ground model, then the statement holds in any extension with  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ .

Assume that  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is a destructible gap and strictly admits finite changes and that  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  are conditions in  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ . By strengthening  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  if need, we may assume that  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  satisfy the conditions (i) and (ii). When  $\sigma$ ,  $\tau$  and  $N$  satisfies above conditions, we say that  $\langle \sigma, \tau, N \rangle$  is a good sequence. If  $\langle \sigma, \tau, N \rangle$  is a good sequence, as seen in above lemma,  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \sigma$  and  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \tau$  are isomorphic and a finite bijection  $\pi$  from

$$\mathcal{P}\left(\bigcup_{\xi \in \sigma} a_\xi \cap N\right) \times \mathcal{P}\left(\bigcup_{\xi \in \sigma} b_\xi \cap N\right)$$

onto

$$\mathcal{P}\left(\bigcup_{\xi \in \tau} a_\xi \cap N\right) \times \mathcal{P}\left(\bigcup_{\xi \in \tau} b_\xi \cap N\right)$$

induces an isomorphism  $\psi$  from  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \sigma$  onto  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \tau$ . We say that  $\psi$  is an isomorphism induced by  $\pi$ .

Let  $\{(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i); i \in I\}$  be a family of destructible gaps which strictly admits finite changes and  $p = \langle \sigma_i; i \in I \rangle$  and  $p' = \langle \sigma'_i; i \in I \rangle$  are conditions in the finite support product  $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i)$ . Then by strengthening conditions, we can find a sequence  $\langle N_i : i \in I \rangle$  of natural numbers with the property that the supports of two conditions are same and for any  $i \in I \cap \text{supp}(p)$ ,  $\langle \sigma_i, \sigma'_i, N_i \rangle$  is a good

sequence, then we have an isomorphism between  $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i) \upharpoonright \langle \sigma_i; i \in I \rangle$  and  $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i) \upharpoonright \langle \sigma'_i; i \in I \rangle$  induced by finitely many finite bijections. That is, we have

**Lemma 2.7.** *Let  $\{(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i); i \in I\}$  be a family of destructible gaps which strictly admits finite changes. Then the product forcing  $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i)$  with a finite support is homogeneous.  $\square$*

Moreover assume all  $(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i)$  are the same gap  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ . By strengthening each  $\sigma_i$ , we have  $N \in \omega$  such that for any  $i \neq j$  in  $I \cap \text{supp}(p)$ ,  $\langle \sigma_i, \sigma_j, N \rangle$  is a good sequence. Then we have the collection of isomorphisms  $\psi_{i,j}$  for each  $i, j \in I \cap \text{supp}(p)$  from  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \sigma_i$  onto  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \sigma_j$  which are commutative, by taking finite bijections suitably.

The following lemma is to show Theorem 1.

**Lemma 2.8.** *Let  $\mathbb{P}$  is a homogeneous forcing notion with the countable chain condition and  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  an  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -pregap. Then the following statements hold.*

1. *If the product forcing  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  does not have the countable chain condition, then the product  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  has the countable chain condition.*
2. *If the product forcing  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  does not have the countable chain condition, then the product  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  has the countable chain condition.*

*Proof.* Both statements follow from the ccc-ness and the homogeneity of  $\mathbb{P}$  and the fact that

1. if  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  does not have the ccc, then  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F})$  has the ccc, and
2. if  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  does not have the ccc, then  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F})$  has the ccc

respectively.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 1.** This theorem is true in the model where there are no destructible gaps. We will build a model for the theorem containing a destructible gap by an iteration with a finite support as follows.

Assume that there is a destructible gap,  $2^{\aleph_1} = \lambda$  and  $\lambda^{<\lambda} = \lambda$ . At first we take any family  $\Gamma_0$  of destructible gaps which strictly admits finite changes with the property that the finite support product  $\prod_{(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \in \Gamma_0} \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  has the ccc (which is a weak property of the independence). By recursion on  $\alpha \in \omega_2$ , we construct  $\Gamma_\alpha$  in the  $\alpha$ -th stage of the iteration as follows:

In stage  $\alpha + 1 \in \omega_2$ , for a destructible gap  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  which strictly admits finite changes (given by a book-keeping map), if  $\prod_{(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \in \Gamma_\alpha} \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  has the ccc, then let  $\Gamma_{\alpha+1} := \Gamma_\alpha \cup \{(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})\}$  and does not force in this iterand, otherwise, i.e.  $\prod_{(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \in \Gamma_\alpha} \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  does not have the ccc, then let  $\Gamma_{\alpha+1} := \Gamma_\alpha$  and force  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ . By Lemma 2.8,  $\prod_{(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \in \Gamma_{\alpha+1}} \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  still has the ccc and by Theorem 2.1, in the extension with  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ ,  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is still ccc for every

$(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \in \Gamma$ , so every member in  $\Gamma_{\alpha+1}$  is still a destructible gap. For a limit ordinal  $\alpha \in \omega_2$ , let  $\Gamma_\alpha := \bigcup_{\beta \in \alpha} \Gamma_\beta$ .

We note that in the final model,  $\Gamma_\lambda$  is the set of all destructible gaps with the admission of finite changes and  $\prod_{(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \in \Gamma_\lambda} \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is ccc. Let  $\Gamma$  be the set of all destructible gaps. Then  $\prod_{(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \in \Gamma} \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  also has the ccc and so is  $\prod_{(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \in \Gamma'} \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  for every  $\Gamma' \subseteq \Gamma$ . (We notice that  $\Gamma_\lambda$  do *not* have to be independent. It follows from ZFC that for any destructible gap  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ , we can find another destructible gap  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  such that  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  has the ccc but  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \times \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  doesn't have.)  $\square$

To prove Theorems 2 and 3, the key lemma is Lemma 2.10. To show this lemma, we need the following lemma due to the referee of the paper [10]. (The following proof is same in [10]. But for a convenience to the reader, I write the proof here.)

**Lemma 2.9** ([10, Lemma B.1]). *Let  $\langle a_\alpha, b_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1 \rangle$  be an  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -gap. Then for any uncountable subsets  $I$  and  $J$  of  $\omega_1$ , there exist uncountable  $I' \subseteq I$  and  $J' \subseteq J$  such that for every  $\alpha \in I'$  and  $\beta \in J'$ ,  $a_\alpha \cap b_\beta \neq \emptyset$ .*

*Proof.* For each  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ , there is a natural number  $n_\alpha$  such that both sets  $\{\xi \in \omega_1; a_\alpha \setminus n_\alpha \subseteq a_\xi\}$  and  $\{\eta \in \omega_1; b_\alpha \setminus n_\alpha \subseteq b_\eta\}$  are uncountable. We note that the set

$$\bigcup_{\xi \in I} (a_\xi \setminus n_\xi) \cap \bigcup_{\eta \in J} (b_\eta \setminus n_\eta)$$

is not empty because the pregap

$$\langle a_\xi \setminus n_\xi, b_\eta \setminus n_\eta; \xi \in I, \eta \in J \rangle$$

is equivalent to the original one and so is a gap. We take  $\alpha \in I$ ,  $\beta \in J$  and  $k \in \omega$  such that  $k$  is in the set  $(a_\alpha \setminus n_\alpha) \cap (b_\beta \setminus n_\beta)$ . Let  $I' := \{\xi \in I; a_\alpha \setminus n_\alpha \subseteq a_\xi\}$  and  $J' := \{\eta \in J; b_\beta \setminus n_\beta \subseteq b_\eta\}$  which are as desired.  $\square$

The next lemma is a variation of [14, Corollary 4.3] for a destructible gap which is the key lemma for proofs of Theorems 2 and 3.

**Lemma 2.10.** *Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  be a destructible gap and strictly admits finite changes, and  $(\dot{\mathcal{C}}, \dot{\mathcal{D}})$  be an  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ -name for an  $(\omega_1, \omega_1)$ -gap. Then there exists a ccc forcing notion  $\mathbb{P}$  (which is possibly trivial) such that in the extension with  $\mathbb{P}$ ,  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is still a destructible gap and  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  forces  $(\dot{\mathcal{C}}, \dot{\mathcal{D}})$  to be indestructible.*

*Proof.* At first we define a forcing notion  $\mathbb{Q}$  as follow.

$$\mathbb{Q} := \left\{ p \in ([\omega_1]^{<\omega})^2; p(0) \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \ \& \ p(0) \Vdash_{\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})} "p(\dot{1}) \in \mathcal{S}(\dot{\mathcal{C}}, \dot{\mathcal{D}})" \right\},$$

ordered by

$$p \leq_{\mathbb{Q}} q \iff p(0) \supseteq q(0) \ \& \ p(1) \supseteq q(1).$$

If we have an uncountable antichain in  $\mathbb{Q}$ , we have nothing to do, i.e. what we have to do is that we let  $\mathbb{P}$  be the trivial forcing notion.



Assume that  $\mathbb{Q}$  has an uncountable antichain  $\{q_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1\}$ . Without loss of generality, we may assume that the set  $\{q_\alpha(1); \alpha \in \omega_1\}$  forms a  $\Delta$ -system with a root  $\sigma$  and for all  $\alpha < \beta$  in  $\omega_1$ ,

$$\max(\sigma) < \min(q_\alpha(1) \setminus \sigma) \quad \text{and} \quad \max(q_\alpha(1) \setminus \sigma) < \min(q_\beta(1) \setminus \sigma).$$

Let  $\langle c_\alpha, d_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1 \rangle$  the interpretation of  $(\dot{\mathcal{C}}, \dot{\mathcal{D}})$  in this extension with  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ . Then we can find an uncountable subset  $X$  of  $\omega_1$  such that the set  $\{q_\alpha(0); \alpha \in X\}$  is pairwise compatible in  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  using an interpolation of  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ . Since  $\{q_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1\}$  is pairwise incompatible in  $\mathbb{Q}$ , for all  $\alpha \neq \beta$  in  $X$ ,

$$\left( \bigcup_{\xi \in q_\alpha(1) \setminus \sigma} c_\xi \cap \bigcup_{\xi \in q_\beta(1) \setminus \sigma} d_\xi \right) \cup \left( \bigcup_{\xi \in q_\beta(1) \setminus \sigma} c_\xi \cap \bigcup_{\xi \in q_\alpha(1) \setminus \sigma} d_\xi \right) \neq \emptyset.$$

Then by our assumption, the following sequence

$$\left\langle \bigcup_{\xi \in q_\alpha(1) \setminus \sigma} c_\xi, \bigcup_{\xi \in q_\alpha(1) \setminus \sigma} d_\xi; \alpha \in \omega_1 \right\rangle$$

forms a pregap and is an equivalent gap of  $\langle c_\alpha, d_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1 \rangle$  and so is indestructible. Therefore  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  forces  $(\dot{\mathcal{C}}, \dot{\mathcal{D}})$  to be indestructible.

Even if  $\mathbb{Q}$  has the countable chain condition, we can find a forcing notion  $\mathbb{P}$  which adds an uncountable antichain in  $\mathbb{Q}$  and preserves the ccc-ness of both  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  and  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ . Let

$$\mathbb{P} := \{P \in [\mathbb{Q}]^{<\omega}; P \text{ is an antichain in } \mathbb{Q}\},$$

ordered by reverse inclusion. Since  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  forms a gap, it can be proved that  $\mathbb{P}$  has the countable chain condition. Moreover we can show more stronger results. To show them, we use Lemma 2.9. The proof of the following claim is very similar to a proof of Theorem 4 in [10]. And this proof let us know the ccc-ness of  $\mathbb{P}$ .

**Claim 2.11.**  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  has the countable chain condition.

*Proof of Claim 2.11.* Assume that  $\{\langle P_\alpha, \sigma_\alpha \rangle; \alpha \in \omega_1\}$  is an uncountable collection of conditions in  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ . Without loss of generality, we may assume that

- $\{P_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1\}$  forms a  $\Delta$ -system with a root  $P$ ,
- $\{\sigma_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1\}$  forms a  $\Delta$ -system with a root  $\sigma$ ,
- for all  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ ,  $P_\alpha \setminus P$  has the same size  $k$ , and
- for all  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ ,  $\sigma_\alpha \setminus \sigma$  has the same size  $l$ .

For  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ , we let  $P_\alpha^0 := \{p(0); p \in P_\alpha \setminus P\}$  and denote the  $i$ -th member of  $P_\alpha^0$  and  $\sigma_\alpha \setminus \sigma$  by  $P_\alpha^0(i)$  and  $\sigma_\alpha(j)$  for all  $i < k$  and  $j < l$  respectively. Using Lemma 2.9 of  $\frac{k(k+1)}{2} + \frac{l(l+1)}{2}$  times, we can find uncountable subsets  $I_0$  and  $I_1$  of  $\omega_1$  such that

- for all  $\alpha \in I_0$  and  $\beta \in I_1$  and  $i, j < k$ ,

$$\bigcup_{\xi \in P_\alpha^0(i)} a_\xi \cap \bigcup_{\xi \in P_\beta^0(j)} b_\xi \neq \emptyset,$$

and

- for all  $\alpha \in I_0$  and  $\beta \in I_1$  and  $i, j < l$ ,

$$a_{\sigma_\alpha(i)} \cap b_{\sigma_\beta(j)} \neq \emptyset.$$

Then for any  $\alpha \in I_0$  and  $\beta \in I_1$ ,  $\langle P_\alpha, \sigma_\alpha \rangle$  and  $\langle P_\beta, \sigma_\beta \rangle$  are compatible in  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ .  $\dashv$

By the fact that  $(\dot{C}, \dot{D})$  is an  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ -name for a gap and the homogeneity of  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ , we can moreover prove the following claim and this completes the proof.

**Claim 2.12.**  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  has the countable chain condition.

*Proof of Claim 2.12.* Let  $\{\langle P_\alpha, \sigma_\alpha \rangle : \alpha \in \omega_1\}$  be in  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  for all  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ . Without loss of generality, we may assume that

- $\{P_\alpha; \alpha \in \omega_1\}$  forms a  $\Delta$ -system with a root  $P$ ,
- for all  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ ,  $P_\alpha \setminus P$  has the same size  $m$ , and
- for any  $\alpha < \beta \in \omega_1$ ,

$$\max \left( \bigcup_{p \in P} p(1) \right) < \min \left( \bigcup_{p \in P_\alpha \setminus P} p(1) \right)$$

and

$$\max \left( \bigcup_{p \in P_\alpha \setminus P} p(1) \right) < \min \left( \bigcup_{p \in P_\beta \setminus P} p(1) \right).$$

Let  $\{\langle \tau_\alpha^i, \nu_\alpha^i \rangle; i < m\}$  enumerate the set  $P_\alpha \setminus P$  and we denote  $\sigma_\alpha$  by  $\tau_\alpha^m$  to simplify the notation for all  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ . Since  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  strictly admits finite changes, for every  $\alpha \in \omega_1$  and  $i \leq m$ , there exists  $\delta_\alpha^i \in \omega_1$  such that

$$\bigcup_{\xi \in \tau_\alpha^i} a_\xi = a_{\delta_\alpha^i} \quad \text{and} \quad \bigcup_{\xi \in \tau_\alpha^i} b_\xi = b_{\delta_\alpha^i}.$$

Since  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  has the ccc, for each  $i \leq m$ , there exists  $\rho^i \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  such that

$$\rho^i \Vdash_{\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})} \text{“ } \dot{I}^i := \left\{ \alpha \in \check{\omega}_1; \check{\tau}_\alpha^i \in \dot{G} \right\} \text{ is uncountable ”.}$$

We note that

$$\rho^i \Vdash_{\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})} \text{“ } \dot{I}^i = \left\{ \alpha \in \check{\omega}_1; \left\{ \check{\delta}_\alpha^i \right\} \in \dot{G} \right\} \text{ ”}$$

for all  $i \leq m$ . By strengthening  $\rho^i$ 's if need, we may assume that there exists  $N \in \omega$  such that for all  $i \neq j \leq m$ ,  $\langle \rho^i, \rho^j, N \rangle$  is a good sequence. Then without loss of generality again, we may moreover assume that for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \omega_1$  and  $i \leq m$ ,

$$a_{\delta_\alpha^i} \cap N = a_{\delta_\beta^i} \cap N \quad \text{and} \quad b_{\delta_\alpha^i} \cap N = b_{\delta_\beta^i} \cap N.$$

We let  $\pi_{i,m}$  be a finite bijection for an isomorphism so that

$$\pi_{i,m} (a_{\delta_\alpha^i} \cap N, b_{\delta_\alpha^i} \cap N) = \langle a_{\delta_\alpha^m} \cap N, b_{\delta_\alpha^m} \cap N \rangle$$

for each  $i < m$  (and some (any)  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ ) and let  $\psi_{i,m}$  be the isomorphism from  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \rho^i$  onto  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \rho^m$  induced by  $\pi_{i,m}$ . We note that for every  $i < m$ , the calculations of  $\psi_{i,m}$  are absolute and if  $\{\delta_\alpha^i\} \cup \rho^i \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ , then

$$\psi_{i,m} (\{\delta_\alpha^i\} \cup \rho^i) = \{\delta_\alpha^m\} \cup \rho^m$$

for all  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ . For each  $i \neq j \leq m$ , we define  $\psi_{i,j} := (\psi_{j,m})^{-1} \circ \psi_{i,m}$ . We note that for every  $i \neq j \leq m$ ,  $\psi_{i,j} \upharpoonright (\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \rho^i)$  is an isomorphism onto  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \upharpoonright \rho^j$ , and if  $\{\delta_\alpha^i\} \cup \rho^i \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ , then

$$\psi_{i,j} (\{\delta_\alpha^i\} \cup \rho^i) = \{\delta_\alpha^j\} \cup \rho^j$$

for all  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ . Using Lemma 2.9, since  $(\dot{\mathcal{C}}, \dot{\mathcal{D}})$  is a name for a gap, we can define  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ -names  $\dot{I}_0^i$  and  $\dot{I}_1^i$ , for  $i < m$ , such that for each  $i < m$ ,

- $\rho^i \Vdash_{\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})}$  “ both  $\dot{I}_0^i$  and  $\dot{I}_1^i$  are uncountable subsets of  $\dot{I}^i$  ”,
- $\rho^i \Vdash_{\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})}$  “ for all  $\alpha \in \dot{I}_0^i$  and all  $\beta \in \dot{I}_1^i$ ,  $\bigcup_{\xi \in \check{v}_\alpha^i} \dot{c}_\xi \cap \bigcup_{\xi \in \check{v}_\beta^i} \dot{d}_\xi \neq \emptyset$  ”,
- $\rho^0 \Vdash_{\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})}$  “  $\dot{I}_0^0 \subseteq \check{\psi}_{m,0}(\dot{I}^m)$  and  $\dot{I}_1^0 \subseteq \check{\psi}_{m,0}(\dot{I}^m)$  ”,

and

$$\rho^{i+1} \Vdash_{\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})} \text{“ } \dot{I}_0^{i+1} \subseteq \check{\psi}_{i,i+1}(\dot{I}_0^i) \text{ and } \dot{I}_1^{i+1} \subseteq \check{\psi}_{i,i+1}(\dot{I}_1^i) \text{”}.$$

This can be done because for every  $i \neq j \leq m$ , if  $\mu \leq \rho^i$  and  $\tau \in [\omega_1]^{<\omega}$  such that

$$\mu \Vdash_{\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})} \text{“ } \check{\tau} \in \dot{G} \text{ ”},$$

then  $\psi_{i,j}(\mu) \leq \rho^j$  and

$$\psi_{i,j}(\mu) \Vdash_{\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})} \text{“ } \check{\psi}_{i,j}(\check{\tau}) \in \dot{G} \text{ ”}$$

and because of the property of  $\psi_{i,j}$ 's. (We note that  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is not separative.)

We take any  $\rho \leq \rho^{m-1}$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \omega_1$  such that

$$\rho \Vdash_{\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})} \text{“ } \check{\alpha} \in \dot{I}_0^{m-1} \text{ and } \check{\beta} \in \dot{I}_1^{m-1} \text{”}.$$

Then by the conditions of  $\dot{I}_0^i$  and  $\dot{I}_1^i$ , we note that for each  $i < m - 1$ ,

$$\psi_{m-1,i}(\rho) \Vdash_{\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})} \text{“ } \check{\alpha} \in \dot{I}_0^i \text{ and } \check{\beta} \in \dot{I}_1^i \text{”}.$$

This means that for every  $i \leq m$ ,  $\rho \cup \tau_\alpha^i \cup \tau_\beta^i$  is a condition in  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  and for every  $i < m$ ,

$$\rho \cup \tau_\alpha^i \cup \tau_\beta^i \Vdash_{\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})} \text{“ } v_\alpha^i \text{ and } v_\beta^i \text{ are incompatible in } \mathcal{S}(\dot{\mathcal{C}}, \dot{\mathcal{D}}) \text{”}.$$

This implies that  $P_\alpha \cup P_\beta$  is pairwise incompatible in  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\sigma_\alpha$  and  $\sigma_\beta$  are compatible in  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ , hence  $\langle P_\alpha, \sigma_\alpha \rangle$  and  $\langle P_\beta, \sigma_\beta \rangle$  are compatible in  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ , which completes the proof of the claim.  $\dashv$   $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 2.** Without loss of generality, we may assume that there are two independent destructible gaps  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  and  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  both of which strictly admit finite changes. Since  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \times \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  is ccc and  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is homogeneous, we can consider  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  as an  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ -name for a gap. As in the proof of Lemma 2.10, let  $\mathbb{P}$  be a forcing notion adding an uncountable antichain in  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  by finite approximations. Then not only  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  and  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ , but also  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  and  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  have the ccc. So in the extension with  $\mathbb{P}$ , both  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  and  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  are still destructible gaps and  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  does not have the countable chain condition.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 3.** This is just a corollary of Lemma 2.10. We fix one destructible gap which strictly admits finite changes, and then by an iteration with a finite support, we can force the desired statement. We note it is upward closed that the forcing notion  $\mathbb{Q}$  as in Lemma 2.10 has an uncountable antichain. We notice that the continuum can be large.  $\square$

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