

**Forcing a morass with finite side conditions**

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**Abstract**

We report a forcing poset that forces what we call a morass-type matrix. A condition of the poset is represented by a pair of a finite symmetric system of Aspero-Mota and a finite function from the finite symmetric system into the least uncountable cardinal. The finite function is a restriction of a rank function associated with a type of suitable countable symmetric system that contains the finite symmetric system. It is similar to forcing a club subset of the least uncountable cardinal by finite conditions that accompany finite  $\in$ -chains of elementary substructures. A difference between these two posets is whether cardinals can be preserved or not. Note that the forced matrix entails not just a club but a simplified morass of D. Velleman.

**Notation**

Let  $(X, R, \dots)$  be a structure, where  $X \neq \emptyset$  is a set or a proper class,  $R$  is a binary relation, and so forth. Let  $Y$  be a non-empty, say, set with  $Y \subseteq X$ . We write  $(Y, R, \dots)$  or even  $Y$  for a substructure  $(Y, R \cap (Y \times Y), \dots)$  of  $(X, R, \dots)$ . Let  $\kappa$  be a regular cardinal. Let  $H_\kappa = \{x \mid \text{the transitive closure of } x \text{ is of a size } < \kappa\}$ . We say  $N$  is a countable elementary substructure of  $(H_\kappa, \in)$ , if  $(X, \in)$  is a countable elementary substructure of  $(H_\kappa, \in)$ . We use  $N, M, X, Y, Z$  and so forth for countable elementary substructures of  $(H_{\omega_2}, \in)$ . We use  $\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A}$  and so forth for sets of countable elementary substructures of  $(H_{\omega_2}, \in)$ . When we write  $X =_{\omega_1} Y$ , this abbreviates  $X \cap \omega_1 = Y \cap \omega_1$ . When we write  $X \geq_{\omega_1} Y$ , this means  $X \cap \omega_1 \supseteq Y \cap \omega_1$ . Similarly for  $X >_{\omega_1} Y$ .

**Introduction**

We would like to explicate an idea behind our main forcing poset  $P$  by a prototype forcing poset  $Q$ . We first state well-known facts to avoid confusion.

**Proposition.** Let  $X, Y$ , and  $Z$  be countable elementary substructures of  $(H_{\omega_2}, \in)$ .

- (1) If  $x \in X$  and  $x$  is a countable set, then  $x \subset X$ .
- (2)  $X \cap \omega_1$  is a countable ordinal. Namely  $N \cap \omega_1 < \omega_1$ .
- (3) If  $Y \in X$ , then  $Y \subset X$ .
- (4) If  $Z \in Y \in X$ , then  $Z \in X$ . (transitive)
- (5)  $X \not\subset X$ . (irreflexive)

*Proof.* (1): We may assume that  $x$  is non-empty. Since

$$(H_{\omega_2}, \in) \models \text{“}\exists e : \omega \longrightarrow x, e \text{ is onto”},$$

we have an enumeration  $e : \omega \longrightarrow x$  with  $e \in X$ . Then

$$x = \{e(n) \mid n < \omega\} \subset X.$$

(2): We show that  $X \cap \omega_1$  is transitive. Let  $\alpha < \beta \in X \cap \omega_1$ . We want  $\alpha \in X \cap \omega_1$ . Since  $\beta \in X$  and  $\beta$  is countable, we have  $\beta \subset X$  by (1). Hence  $\alpha \in X \cap \omega_1$ .

(3): Since  $Y \in X$  and  $Y$  is countable, we have  $Y \subset X$  by (1).

(4): Let  $Z \in Y \in X$ . Then  $Z \in Y \subset X$  by (3). Hence  $Z \in X$ .

(5): We assume the axiom of regularity.

□

Let  $\mathcal{N}$  be a non-empty set of countable elementary substructures of  $(H_{\omega_2}, \in)$ . We know that  $(\mathcal{N}, \in)$  is a poset in the strong sense (irreflexive and transitive). We consider objects that generalize the countable ordinals. We say  $\mathcal{N}$  is a continuous  $\in$ -chain, if

- ( $\in$ -chain, or, linear) If  $Z, W \in \mathcal{N}$ , then either  $Z \in W$ ,  $Z = W$ , or  $W \in Z$ .
- (partitioned) If  $Z \in \mathcal{N}$ , then either  $\mathcal{N} \cap Z = \emptyset$ ,  $\exists Z_1 \mathcal{N} \cap Z = \{Z_1\} \cup (\mathcal{N} \cap Z_1)$ , or  $\bigcup(\mathcal{N} \cap Z) = Z$ .

Let  $\mathcal{N}$  be a continuous  $\in$ -chain. Then the structure  $(\mathcal{N}, \in)$  is a well-ordered one. Hence it makes sense to calculate the order types  $\text{o.t.}(\mathcal{N}, \in)$  and  $\text{o.t.}(\mathcal{N} \cap Z, \in)$  for each  $Z \in \mathcal{N}$ . We have  $\text{o.t.}(\mathcal{N}, \in) \leq \omega_1$ . If  $\mathcal{N}$  is of a size finite, then it is clear that there are no differences between two concepts  $\in$ -chain (i.e, linear) and continuous  $\in$ -chain.

Let us next provide a prototype forcing poset  $Q$  that forces a club subset of  $\omega_1$ . This  $Q$  is a variant to forcing a club subset of  $\omega_1$  by finite conditions due to J. E. Baumgartner.

**Definition.** Let  $p = (\mathcal{N}^p, f^p) \in Q$ , if

(ob)  $\mathcal{N}^p$  is a finite  $\in$ -chain of countable elementary substructures of  $(H_{\omega_2}, \in)$  and  $f^p : \mathcal{N}^p \rightarrow \omega_1$ .

(wit) There exists a continuous  $\in$ -chain  $\mathcal{M}$  of countable elementary substructures of  $(H_{\omega_2}, \in)$  such that  $\mathcal{M}$  is of a size countable,  $\bigcup \mathcal{M} \in \mathcal{M}$  (a top element),  $\mathcal{N}^p \subseteq \mathcal{M}$ , and for each  $Z \in \mathcal{N}^p$ ,  $f^p(Z) = \text{o.t.}(\mathcal{M} \cap Z, \in)$ .

For  $p, q \in Q$ , let  $q \leq p$  in  $Q$ , if  $\mathcal{N}^q \supseteq \mathcal{N}^p$  and for each  $Z \in \mathcal{N}^p$ ,  $f^q(Z) = f^p(Z)$ .

**Theorem.** (1) Let  $p \in Q$ ,  $N^*$  be a countable elementary substructure of  $(H_\theta, \in)$ ,  $\theta$  is any sufficiently large regular cardinal, and  $p, Q \in N^*$ . Then

$$q = (\mathcal{N}^p \cup \{N^* \cap H_{\omega_2}\}, f^p \cup \{(N^* \cap H_{\omega_2}, N^* \cap \omega_1)\})$$

is  $(Q, N^*)$ -generic. Hence  $Q$  is proper.

(2) Let  $G$  be  $Q$ -generic over the ground model  $V$ . Let

$$\dot{\mathcal{N}} = \bigcup \{\mathcal{N}^p \mid p \in G\},$$

$$\dot{f} = \bigcup \{f^p \mid p \in G\}.$$

Then  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$  is a continuous  $\in$ -chain of countable elementary substructures of  $(H_{\omega_2^V}^V, \in)$  such that

$$\text{o.t.}(\dot{\mathcal{N}}, \in) = \omega_1,$$

$$\bigcup \dot{\mathcal{N}} = H_{\omega_2^V}^V,$$

and that for each  $Z \in \dot{\mathcal{N}}$ ,

$$\dot{f}(Z) = \text{o.t.}(\dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap Z, \in).$$

In particular,  $\omega_2^V$  gets collapsed.

□

We intend to force a simplified morass of [V] along this line of thought. Since we need to preserve  $\omega_2$ , we resort to ideas from [A-M], [B-S], and [T]. This research was motivated by a talk by Borisa Kuzeljevic, Independence Results in Mathematics and Challenges in Iterated Forcing (UEA, Norwich, UK) 2015.

### Preparation

We summarize two similar forcing posets  $P_{\text{finite}}$  and  $P_{\text{countable}}$ .

**Definition.** Let  $p = \mathcal{N}^p \in P_{\text{finite}}$ , if

- (ob)  $\mathcal{N}^p$  consists of countable elementary substructures of  $(H_{\omega_2}, \in)$  and  $\mathcal{N}^p$  is of a size finite.
  - (iso) For any  $N, M \in \mathcal{N}^p$ , if  $N =_{\omega_1} M$ , then there exists an (necessarily unique) isomorphism  $\phi : (N, \in, \mathcal{N}^p \cap N) \rightarrow (M, \in, \mathcal{N}^p \cap M)$  such that  $\phi$  is the identity on the intersection  $N \cap M$ .
  - (up) If  $N_3, N_2 \in \mathcal{N}^p$  with  $N_3 <_{\omega_1} N_2$ , then there exists  $N_1 \in \mathcal{N}^p$  such that  $N_3 \in N_1$  and  $N_1 =_{\omega_1} N_2$ .
- For  $p, q \in P_{\text{finite}}$ , let  $q \leq p$  in  $P_{\text{finite}}$ , if  $q \supseteq p$ .

This notion of forcing due to, say, Aspero-Mota forces somewhat less than a morass that we call a matrix.

**Theorem.** ([AM]) (1)  $P_{\text{finite}}$  is proper and (CH) has the  $\omega_2$ -cc.

- (2) Let  $G$  be  $P_{\text{finite}}$ -generic over the ground model  $V$  and in  $V[G]$ , let

$$\dot{\mathcal{N}} = \bigcup G.$$

Then  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$  satisfies the following. And simply say that  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$  is a matrix.

- (ob)  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$  consists of countable elementary substructures of  $(H_{\omega_2}^V, \in)$ .
- (iso) For any  $N, M \in \dot{\mathcal{N}}$ , if  $N =_{\omega_1} M$ , then there exists an (necessarily unique) isomorphism  $\phi : (N, \in, \dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap N) \rightarrow (M, \in, \dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap M)$  such that  $\phi$  is the identity on the intersection  $N \cap M$ .
- (up) If  $N_3, N_2 \in \dot{\mathcal{N}}$  with  $N_3 <_{\omega_1} N_2$ , then there exists  $N_1 \in \dot{\mathcal{N}}$  such that  $N_3 \in N_1$  and  $N_1 =_{\omega_1} N_2$ .
- (stat)  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$  is stationary in  $[H_{\omega_2}^V]^\omega$  and so  $\in$ -directed.

□

There is a way to get a quagmire of [K] by further forcing a club subset of the stationary set  $\{N \cap \omega_1 \mid N \in \dot{\mathcal{N}}\}$  of  $\omega_1$  ([M1]).

The following has its roots in [BS].

**Definition.** Let  $p = \mathcal{N}^p \in P_{\text{countable}}$ , if

- (ob)  $\mathcal{N}^p$  consists of countable elementary substructures of  $(H_{\omega_2}, \in)$  such that  $\mathcal{N}^p$  is of a size countable and  $N^p = \bigcup \mathcal{N}^p \in \mathcal{N}^p$  (a top element).
- (iso) For any  $N, M \in \mathcal{N}^p$ , if  $N =_{\omega_1} M$ , then there exists an (necessarily unique) isomorphism  $\phi : (N, \in, \mathcal{N}^p \cap N) \rightarrow (M, \in, \mathcal{N}^p \cap M)$  such that  $\phi$  is the identity on the intersection  $N \cap M$ .
- (up) If  $N_3, N_2 \in \mathcal{N}^p$  with  $N_3 <_{\omega_1} N_2$ , then there exists  $N_1 \in \mathcal{N}^p$  such that  $N_3 \in N_1$  and  $N_1 =_{\omega_1} N_2$ .
- (par)  $\mathcal{N}^p = \text{zero}(\mathcal{N}^p) \cup \text{suc}_1(\mathcal{N}^p) \cup \text{suc}_2(\mathcal{N}^p) \cup \text{lim}(\mathcal{N}^p)$ , where for  $N \in \mathcal{N}^p$ ,

$$N \in \text{zero}(\mathcal{N}^p) \quad \text{iff} \quad N \cap \mathcal{N}^p = \emptyset,$$

$$N \in \text{suc}_1(\mathcal{N}^p) \quad \text{iff} \quad \exists N_1 \mathcal{N}^p \cap N = \{N_1\} \cup (\mathcal{N}^p \cap N_1),$$

$$N \in \text{suc}_2(\mathcal{N}^p) \quad \text{iff} \quad \exists N_1 \exists N_2 N_1 =_{\omega_1} N_2, (N_1, N_2) \models \Delta,$$

$$\mathcal{N}^p \cap N = \{N_1, N_2\} \cup (\mathcal{N}^p \cap N_1) \cup (\mathcal{N}^p \cap N_2),$$

where  $(N_1, N_2) \models \Delta$  abbreviates that for  $h \in N_1 \cap N_2 \cap \omega_2$ ,  $t_1 \in (N_1 \cap \omega_2) \setminus N_2 \neq \emptyset$ ,  $t_2 \in (N_2 \cap \omega_2) \setminus N_1 \neq \emptyset$ , we have

$$h < t_1 < t_2 < \omega_2.$$

$$N \in \lim(\mathcal{N}^p) \quad \text{iff} \quad N = \bigcup (\mathcal{N}^p \cap N).$$

For  $p, q \in P_{\text{countable}}$ , let  $q \leq p$  in  $P_{\text{countable}}$ , if  $N^p \in \mathcal{N}^q$  and

$$\mathcal{N}^q \cap N^p = \mathcal{N}^p \cap N^p.$$

Since  $\mathcal{N}^p = \{N^p\} \cup (\mathcal{N}^p \cap N^p)$  holds,  $q \leq p$  in  $P_{\text{countable}}$  iff  $\mathcal{N}^q \supseteq \mathcal{N}^p$  and  $\mathcal{N}^q \cap N^p = \mathcal{N}^p \cap N^p$ .

**Theorem.** ([M2]) (1)  $P_{\text{countable}}$  is proper,  $\sigma$ -Baire, and (CH) has the  $\omega_2$ -cc.

(2) Let  $G$  be  $P_{\text{countable}}$ -generic over the ground model  $V$  and in  $V[G]$ , let

$$\dot{\mathcal{N}} = \bigcup G.$$

Then  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$  satisfies the following. And simply say that  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$  is a morass-type matrix.

(ob)  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$  consists of countable elementary substructures of  $(H_{\omega_2}^V, \in)$ .

(iso) For any  $N, M \in \dot{\mathcal{N}}$ , if  $N =_{\omega_1} M$ , then there exists an (necessarily unique) isomorphism  $\phi : (N, \in, \dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap N) \rightarrow (M, \in, \dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap M)$  such that  $\phi$  is the identity on the intersection  $N \cap M$ .

(up) If  $N_3, N_2 \in \dot{\mathcal{N}}$  with  $N_3 <_{\omega_1} N_2$ , then there exists  $N_1 \in \dot{\mathcal{N}}$  such that  $N_3 \in N_1$  and  $N_1 =_{\omega_1} N_2$ .

(par)  $\dot{\mathcal{N}} = \text{zero}(\dot{\mathcal{N}}) \cup \text{suc}_1(\dot{\mathcal{N}}) \cup \text{suc}_2(\dot{\mathcal{N}}) \cup \lim(\dot{\mathcal{N}})$ , where for  $N \in \dot{\mathcal{N}}$ ,

$$N \in \text{zero}(\dot{\mathcal{N}}) \quad \text{iff} \quad N \cap \dot{\mathcal{N}} = \emptyset,$$

$$N \in \text{suc}_1(\dot{\mathcal{N}}) \quad \text{iff} \quad \exists N_1 \dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap N = \{N_1\} \cup (\dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap N_1),$$

$$N \in \text{suc}_2(\dot{\mathcal{N}}) \quad \text{iff} \quad \exists N_1 \exists N_2 \ N_1 =_{\omega_1} N_2, (N_1, N_2) \models \Delta,$$

$$\dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap N = \{N_1, N_2\} \cup (\dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap N_1) \cup (\dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap N_2),$$

$$N \in \lim(\dot{\mathcal{N}}) \quad \text{iff} \quad N = \bigcup (\dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap N).$$

(stat)  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$  is stationary in  $[H_{\omega_2}^V]^\omega$  and so  $\in$ -directed. □

There is a construction to get a simplified  $(\omega_1, 1)$ -morass out of this morass-type matrix  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$ . Let us modify the assumption in section 6 of [M2] from  $\text{LD}(2) + \Delta$  to  $\text{LD}(\leq 2) + \Delta$ .

**Theorem.** ([M2]) Any morass-type matrix entails a simplified  $(\omega_1, 1)$ -morass. □

### Main Forcing

Here is the main forcing poset  $P$  that adds a morass-type matrix by finite side conditions. We know that any morass-type matrix entails a simplified  $(\omega_1, 1)$ -morass. For a condition  $p \in P$ , its main body is a function  $f^p$ . The domain  $\mathcal{N}^p$  of  $f^p$  serves as a non-linear finite side condition.

**Definition.** Let  $p = (\mathcal{N}^p, f^p) \in P$ , if

(ob)  $\mathcal{N}^p \in P_{\text{finite}}$  and  $f^p : \mathcal{N}^p \rightarrow \omega_1$ .

(wit) There exists  $\mathcal{M} \in P_{\text{countable}}$  such that  $\mathcal{N}^p \subseteq \mathcal{M}$  and for all  $N \in \mathcal{N}^p$ ,

$$f^p(N) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}}(N).$$

We refer to this situation (wit) as  $p \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}$ . Here,  $\rho^{\mathcal{M}}$  is the rank function of the well-founded structure  $(\mathcal{M}, \in)$ . Since  $\mathcal{M} \in P_{\text{countable}}$ , we know that for all  $M \in \mathcal{M}$ ,

$$\rho^{\mathcal{M}}(M) = \text{o.t.}(\{N \cap \omega_1 \mid N \in \mathcal{M} \cap M\}, <).$$

For  $p, q \in P$ , let  $q \leq p$  in  $P$ , if  $\mathcal{N}^q \leq \mathcal{N}^p$  in  $P_{\text{finite}}$  and for each  $N \in \mathcal{N}^p$ ,  $f^q(N) = f^p(N)$ .

Hence,  $q \leq p$  in  $P$  iff  $f^q \supseteq f^p$ . Note that there may exist many  $\mathcal{M}$ s in  $P_{\text{countable}}$  for  $p$  and none of them are retained as parts of  $p$ . Hence, if we fix any choice  $\mathcal{M}^p$  of  $\mathcal{M}$  for  $p$  and any choice  $\mathcal{M}^q$  of  $\mathcal{M}$  for  $q$ , we do not expect to have  $\mathcal{M}^q \leq \mathcal{M}^p$  in  $P_{\text{countable}}$ .

We next summarize on copying and pasting elements of  $P_{\text{finite}}$  and  $P_{\text{countable}}$ .

**Lemma.** (Copying and Pasting) Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be two isomorphic countable elementary substructures of  $(H_{\omega_2}, \in)$  such that the isomorphism  $\phi_{X_1, X_2} : (X_1, \in) \rightarrow (X_2, \in)$  is the identity on the intersection  $X_1 \cap X_2$ .

(1) Let  $\mathcal{N} \in X_1 \cap P_{\text{finite}}$  and let

$$\mathcal{N}' = \phi_{X_1, X_2}[\mathcal{N}] = \{\phi_{X_1, X_2}(Z) \mid Z \in \mathcal{N}\} = \{\phi_{X_1, X_2}[Z] \mid Z \in \mathcal{N}\}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{N}'$ ,  $\mathcal{N} \cup \mathcal{N}'$ ,  $\mathcal{N} \cup \{X_1\}$ ,  $\mathcal{N}' \cup \{X_2\}$ , and  $\mathcal{N} \cup \mathcal{N}' \cup \{X_1, X_2\}$  are all in  $P_{\text{finite}}$ .

(2) Let  $\mathcal{M} \in X_1 \cap P_{\text{countable}}$  and let

$$\mathcal{M}' = \phi_{X_1, X_2}[\mathcal{M}] = \{\phi_{X_1, X_2}(Z) \mid Z \in \mathcal{M}\} = \{\phi_{X_1, X_2}[Z] \mid Z \in \mathcal{M}\}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{M}'$ ,  $\mathcal{M} \cup \{X_1\}$ , and  $\mathcal{M}' \cup \{X_2\}$  are all in  $P_{\text{countable}}$ . Furthermore, if  $(X_1, X_2) \models \Delta$  and  $X$  is a countable elementary substructure of  $(H_{\omega_2}, \in)$  with  $X_1, X_2 \in X$ . Then  $\mathcal{M} \cup \mathcal{M}' \cup \{X_1, X_2, X\} \in P_{\text{countable}}$ .

We mention facts on forming conditions in  $P$ . We just outline the last Lemma (Dense 3).

**Lemma.** (Dense 1) Let  $p \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $Y \in \mathcal{M}$  such that  $\mathcal{N}^p \in Y$ . Then there exists  $q \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}$  again such that  $q \leq p$  in  $P$  and  $Y \in \mathcal{N}^q$ . □

**Lemma.** (Dense 2) Let  $p \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}$ ,  $Y \in \mathcal{M}$ , and  $X_0 \in \mathcal{N}^p$  such that  $\mathcal{N}^p \cap X_0 \in Y \in X_0$ . Then there exists  $q \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}$  again such that  $q \leq p$  in  $P$  and  $Y \in \mathcal{N}^q$ . □

**Lemma.** (Dense 3) Let  $p \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^p$ ,  $X_0 \in \mathcal{N}^p$ ,  $X_0 \in \text{suc}_2(\mathcal{M}^p)$ ,  $X_1 =_{\omega_1} X_2$ ,  $(X_1, X_2) \models \Delta$ , and  $\mathcal{M}^p \cap X_0 = \{X_1, X_2\} \cup (\mathcal{M}^p \cap X_1) \cup (\mathcal{M}^p \cap X_2)$ . Then there exists  $q \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^p$  again such that  $q \leq p$  in  $P$ ,  $X_1, X_2 \in \mathcal{N}^q$ , and

$$\{Z \in \mathcal{N}^q \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\} = \{Z \in \mathcal{N}^p \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\rho^{\mathcal{M}^p}(X_0) = i + 1$  and so  $\rho^{\mathcal{M}^p}(X_1) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^p}(X_2) = i$ . We have two cases.

**Case 1.**  $\mathcal{N}^p \cap X_0 = \emptyset$ : For each  $X \in \mathcal{N}^p$  with  $X =_{\omega_1} X_0$ , let  $\mathcal{M}_X^q = \phi_{X_0, X}[\{X_1, X_2\}] \cup \{X\}$ . Let

$$\mathcal{N}^q = \{Z \in \mathcal{N}^p \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\} \cup \bigcup \{\mathcal{M}_X^q \cap X \mid X \in \mathcal{N}^p, X =_{\omega_1} X_0\},$$

$$f^q = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^p} \upharpoonright \mathcal{N}^q.$$

Let  $q = (\mathcal{N}^q, f^q)$ . Then this  $q$  works.

**Case 2.**  $\mathcal{N}^p \cap X_0 \neq \emptyset$ : Let

$$k = \max\{f^p(W) \mid W \in \mathcal{N}^p \cap X_0\}.$$

Then  $k \leq i$  holds. We have two subcases.

**Subcase 1.**  $k < i$ : Let

$$\mathcal{A} = \{W \in \mathcal{N}^p \cap X_1 \mid f^p(W) = k\},$$

$$\mathcal{B} = \{W \in \mathcal{N}^p \cap X_2 \mid f^p(W) = k\},$$

$$\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{A} \cup \phi_{X_1 X_2}^{-1}[\mathcal{B}],$$

$$\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{C} \cup \phi_{X_1 X_2}[\mathcal{C}].$$

Then  $\phi_{X_1 X_2}[\mathcal{C}] = (\phi_{X_1 X_2}[\mathcal{A}]) \cup \mathcal{B}$  and so

$$\mathcal{D} = (\mathcal{A} \cup \phi_{X_1 X_2}[\mathcal{A}]) \cup (\mathcal{B} \cup \phi_{X_2 X_1}[\mathcal{B}]),$$

$$X_1 \cap \mathcal{D} = \mathcal{C},$$

$$X_2 \cap \mathcal{D} = \phi_{X_1 X_2}[\mathcal{C}].$$

**Step 1.** Let  $\mathcal{N}^{q_0} = \{Z \in \mathcal{N}^p \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\} \cup \bigcup\{\phi_{X_0 X}[\{X_1, X_2\} \cup \mathcal{D}] \mid X \in \mathcal{N}^p, X =_{\omega_1} X_0\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{N}^{q_0} \leq \{X_0, X_1, X_2\} \cup \mathcal{D}$  in  $P_{\text{finite}}$ ,  $\{Z \in \mathcal{N}^{q_0} \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\} = \{Z \in \mathcal{N}^p \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\}$ , and  $\mathcal{N}^{q_0} \subset \mathcal{M}^p$ .

**Step 2.** Let us fix any  $W_0 \in \mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{B}$  and let  $\mathcal{N}_{W_0}^q = (\mathcal{N}^p \cap W_0) \cup \{W_0\}$ . Let

$$\mathcal{N}_{X_0}^q = \{X_0, X_1, X_2\} \cup \bigcup\{\phi_{W_0 W}[\mathcal{N}_{W_0}^q \cap W_0] \cup \{W\} \mid W \in \mathcal{D}\}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{N}_{X_0}^q \leq (\mathcal{N}^p \cap X_0) \cup \{X_0\}$  in  $P_{\text{finite}}$ , and  $\mathcal{N}_{X_0}^q \subset \mathcal{M}^p$ .

**Step 3.** Let  $\mathcal{N}^q = \{Z \in \mathcal{N}^p \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\} \cup \bigcup\{\phi_{X_0 X}[\mathcal{N}_{X_0}^q \cap X_0] \mid X \in \mathcal{N}^p, X =_{\omega_1} X_0\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{N}^q \leq \mathcal{N}^{q_0}, \mathcal{N}^p$  in  $P_{\text{finite}}$  and  $\mathcal{N}^q \subset \mathcal{M}^p$ .

Hence,  $q = (\mathcal{N}^q, \rho^{\mathcal{M}^p}[\mathcal{N}^q]) \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^p$  again,  $q \leq p$  in  $P$ ,  $X_1, X_2 \in \mathcal{N}^q$ , and

$$\{Z \in \mathcal{N}^q \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\} = \{Z \in \mathcal{N}^p \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\}.$$

**Subcase 2.**  $i = k$ : Let us fix  $W_0 \in \{X_1, X_2\} \cap \mathcal{N}^p$  with  $f^p(W_0) = k = i$ . Let  $\mathcal{N}_{W_0}^q = (\mathcal{N}^p \cap W_0) \cup \{W_0\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{N}_{X_0}^q = \{X_0, X_1, X_2\} \cup \bigcup\{\phi_{W_0 W}[\mathcal{N}_{W_0}^q \cap W_0] \mid W = X_1, X_2\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{N}^q = \{Z \in \mathcal{N}^p \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\} \cup \bigcup\{\phi_{X_0 X}[\mathcal{N}_{X_0}^q \cap X_0] \mid X \in \mathcal{N}^p, X =_{\omega_1} X_0\}$ . Then  $q = (\mathcal{N}^q, \rho^{\mathcal{M}^p}[\mathcal{N}^q])$  works.  $\square$

We prepare a construction in  $P_{\text{countable}}$ .

**Lemma.** (Replace) Let  $\mathcal{M}^d \in P_{\text{countable}}$ ,  $X_0 \in \mathcal{M}^d$ ,  $\mathcal{M} \in P_{\text{countable}}$  with  $X_0 = \bigcup \mathcal{M}$ . Then there exists  $\mathcal{M}^s \in P_{\text{countable}}$  such that

- $\mathcal{M}^s \leq \mathcal{M}$  in  $P_{\text{countable}}$ ,
- $\{Z \in \mathcal{M}^s \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\} = \{Z \in \mathcal{M}^d \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\}$ .
- If  $\rho^{\mathcal{M}^d}(X_0) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}}(X_0)$ , then for all  $Z \in \mathcal{M}^s$  with  $Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0$ ,

$$\rho^{\mathcal{M}^s}(Z) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^d}(Z).$$

*Proof.* We want to replace the part  $(\mathcal{M}^d \cap X_0) \cup \{X_0\}$  of  $\mathcal{M}^d$  with  $\mathcal{M}$  to form a new  $\mathcal{M}^s \in P_{\text{countable}}$  that satisfies  $X_0 \in \mathcal{M}^s$ ,  $(\mathcal{M}^s \cap X_0) \cup \{X_0\} = \mathcal{M}$ , and  $\{Z \in \mathcal{M}^s \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\} = \{Z \in \mathcal{M}^d \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\}$ . For each  $X \in \mathcal{M}^d$  with  $X =_{\omega_1} X_0$ , let

$$\mathcal{M}_X^s = \{\phi_{X_0 X}(Y) \mid Y \in \mathcal{M} \cap X_0\} \cup \{X\}.$$

Let

$$\mathcal{M}^s = \{Z \in \mathcal{M}^d \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\} \cup \bigcup \{\mathcal{M}_X^s \cap X \mid X \in \mathcal{M}^d, X =_{\omega_1} X_0\}.$$

Then this  $\mathcal{M}^s$  works. In particular,  $\mathcal{M}^s \cap X = \mathcal{M}_X^s \cap X$  for all  $X \in \mathcal{M}^d$  with  $X =_{\omega_1} X_0$ . □

**Lemma.** (Generic) Let  $p \in P$  and  $N^*$  be a countable elementary substructure of  $(H_\theta, \in)$  with  $P, p \in N^*$ , where  $\theta$  is a sufficiently large regular cardinal. Let

$$q = (\mathcal{N}^p \cup \{N^* \cap H_{\omega_2}\}, f^p \cup \{(N^* \cap H_{\omega_2}, N^* \cap \omega_1)\}).$$

Then  $q \in P$  such that  $q \leq p$  and  $q$  is  $(P, N^*)$ -generic.

*Proof.* Let  $X_0 = N^* \cap H_{\omega_2}$ . To see that  $q \in P$ , let  $p \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^p$ . We may assume that  $\mathcal{M}^p \in N^*$ . Let  $\langle \mathcal{M}_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$  be a  $(P_{\text{countable}}, N^*)$ -generic sequence with  $\mathcal{M}_0 = \mathcal{M}^p$ . Let

$$\mathcal{M}_\omega = (\bigcup \{\mathcal{M}_n \mid n < \omega\}) \cup \{X_0\}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{M}_\omega \in P_{\text{countable}}$  with  $X_0 = \bigcup \mathcal{M}_\omega$ . Since  $\mathcal{M}_\omega \leq \mathcal{M}^p$  in  $P_{\text{countable}}$ , we have  $\rho^{\mathcal{M}^p} \subset \rho^{\mathcal{M}_\omega}$ . Hence for all  $Y \in \mathcal{N}^q \cap X_0 = \mathcal{N}^p$ , we have

$$f^q(Y) = f^p(Y) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^p}(Y) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}_\omega}(Y).$$

Since  $\rho^{\mathcal{M}_\omega}(X_0) = X_0 \cap \omega_1$ , we have

$$f^q(X_0) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}_\omega}(X_0).$$

Hence  $q \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}_\omega$ .

Let  $D \in N^*$  be open dense in  $P$ . Let  $d \leq q$ . We may assume that  $d \in D$ . Want to find  $d' \in D \cap N^*$  and  $s \in P$  such that  $s \leq d, d'$  in  $P$ . Note first that for all  $Y \in \mathcal{N}^d \cap N^* = \mathcal{N}^d \cap X_0$ , we have  $f^d(Y) < f^d(X_0) = N^* \cap \omega_1$ . Hence  $f^d \cap N^* = \{(Y, f^d(Y)) \mid Y \in \mathcal{N}^d \cap N^*\}$ . Since  $D, \mathcal{N}^d \cap N^*, f^d \cap N^* \in N^*$  and  $N^*$  is an elementary substructure of  $(H_\theta, \in)$ , there exists  $d' \in D \cap N^*$  such that

- $\mathcal{N}^d \cap N^* \subset \mathcal{N}^{d'}$ ,
- $f^d(Y) = f^{d'}(Y)$  for all  $Y \in \mathcal{N}^d \cap N^*$ .

Let  $d' \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}' \in P_{\text{countable}} \cap N^*$ . Let  $\langle \mathcal{M}'_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$  be  $(P_{\text{countable}}, N^*)$ -generic sequence with  $\mathcal{M}'_0 = \mathcal{M}'$ . Let

$$\mathcal{M}'_\omega = (\bigcup \{\mathcal{M}'_n \mid n < \omega\}) \cup \{X_0\}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{M}'_\omega \in P_{\text{countable}}$  with  $\bigcup \mathcal{M}'_\omega = X_0$ . By Lemma (Replace), we have  $\mathcal{M}^s \in P_{\text{countable}}$  such that

- $\mathcal{M}^s \leq \mathcal{M}'_\omega$  in  $P_{\text{countable}}$ .
- $\{Z \in \mathcal{M}^s \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\} = \{Z \in \mathcal{M}^d \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\}$ .

But

- $\rho^{\mathcal{M}'_\omega}(X_0) = N^* \cap \omega_1 = f^q(X_0) = f^d(X_0) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^d}(X_0)$ .

Hence

- $\rho^{\mathcal{M}^s}(Z) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^d}(Z)$  for all  $Z \in \mathcal{M}^s$  with  $Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0$ .

For each  $X \in \mathcal{M}^s$  with  $X_0 =_{\omega_1} X$ , let us write

$$\mathcal{M}_X^s = (\mathcal{M}^s \cap X) \cup \{X\}.$$

Hence we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{X_0}^s &= \mathcal{M}'_{\omega}, \\ \mathcal{M}_X^s &= \{\phi_{X_0 X}(Y) \mid Y \in \mathcal{M}_{X_0}^s \cap X_0\} \cup \{X\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\phi_{X_0 X} : X_0 \rightarrow X$  is the isomorphism. Let

$$\mathcal{N}^s = \{Z \in \mathcal{N}^d \mid Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0\} \cup \{\phi_{X_0 X}(Y) \mid Y \in \mathcal{N}^{d'}, X \in \mathcal{N}^d, X =_{\omega_1} X_0\}.$$

For each  $W \in \mathcal{N}^s$ , let

$$f^s(W) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^s}(W).$$

Let  $s = (\mathcal{N}^s, f^s)$ .

**Claim.**  $s \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^s$  and  $s \leq d, d'$  in  $P$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\mathcal{N}^d \in P_{\text{finite}}$  and  $\mathcal{N}^d \cap \mathcal{N}^s \subseteq \mathcal{N}^{d'} \in \mathcal{N}^*$ , it is routine to have  $\mathcal{N}^s \in P_{\text{finite}}$ .

We next observe that  $\mathcal{N}^s \subseteq \mathcal{M}^s$ . We have two cases. Let us first assume  $Z \in \mathcal{N}^s$  with  $Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0$ . Then  $Z \in \mathcal{N}^d \subseteq \mathcal{M}^d$ . Since  $Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0$ , we have  $Z \in \mathcal{M}^s$ . Let us next assume that  $Z <_{\omega_1} X_0$ . Then there is  $X \in \mathcal{N}^d$  such that  $X =_{\omega_1} X_0$  and

$$Z \in \{\phi_{X_0 X}(Y) \mid Y \in \mathcal{N}^{d'}\}.$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}^{d'} &\subset \mathcal{M}'_{\omega} \cap X_0, \\ \phi_{X_0 X}[\mathcal{M}'_{\omega} \cap X_0] &= \mathcal{M}^s \cap X = \mathcal{M}_X^s \cap X. \end{aligned}$$

In particular,  $Z \in \mathcal{M}^s$ .

We show that  $s \leq d'$  in  $P$ . But by definition, we have that  $\mathcal{N}^{d'} \subseteq \mathcal{N}^s$ . Let  $Z \in \mathcal{N}^{d'}$ . Want  $f^{d'}(Z) = f^s(Z)$ . But

$$f^{d'}(Z) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}'}(Z) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}'_{\omega}}(Z) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}_{X_0}^s}(Z) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^s}(Z) = f^s(Z).$$

Hence  $s \leq d'$  in  $P$ .

We show that  $s \leq d$  in  $P$ . Let  $Z \in \mathcal{N}^d$ . We have two cases. Let us first assume that  $Z \geq_{\omega_1} X_0$ . Then  $Z \in \mathcal{N}^s$  by the definition of  $\mathcal{N}^s$ . We also have

$$f^d(Z) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^d}(Z) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^s}(Z) = f^s(Z).$$

Let us next assume that  $Z <_{\omega_1} X_0$ . Then there is  $X \in \mathcal{N}^d$  such that  $X =_{\omega_1} X_0$  and  $Z \in \mathcal{M}_X^s \cap \mathcal{N}^d \subseteq \mathcal{N}^s$ . We also have

$$f^d(Z) = f^d(\phi_{X_0 X}^{-1}(Z)) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}_{X_0}^s}(\phi_{X_0 X}^{-1}(Z)) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}_X^s}(Z) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^s}(Z) = f^s(Z).$$

Hence  $s \leq d$  in  $P$ .

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**Lemma.** (CH)  $P$  has the  $\omega_2$ -cc.

*Proof.* Let  $\langle p_i \mid i < \omega_2 \rangle$  be a sequence of elements of  $P$ . For each  $i < \omega_2$ , let  $p_i = (\mathcal{N}^{p_i}, f^{p_i}) \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^{p_i}$  and let  $M_i = \bigcup \mathcal{M}^{p_i}$ . By CH, we may assume that there exist  $i < j < \omega_2$  such that



- $(M_i, M_j) \models \Delta$ ,
- $\phi : (M_i, \in, \mathcal{M}^{p_i} \cap M_i, \mathcal{N}^{p_i}) \longrightarrow (M_j, \in, \mathcal{M}^{p_j} \cap M_j, \mathcal{N}^{p_j})$  is an isomorphism such that  $\phi$  is the identity on the intersection  $M_i \cap M_j$ .

Hence

- $\rho^{\mathcal{M}^{p_i}}(W) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^{p_j}}(\phi(W))$  for all  $W \in \mathcal{M}^{p_i}$ .

Let us fix any countable elementary substructure  $M$  of  $(H_{\omega_2}, \in)$  with  $p_i, p_j \in M$ . Let

$$\mathcal{M} = \{M\} \cup \mathcal{M}^{p_i} \cup \mathcal{M}^{p_j},$$

$$\mathcal{N}^p = \mathcal{N}^{p_i} \cup \mathcal{N}^{p_j}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{M} \in P_{\text{countable}}$  such that  $\mathcal{M} \leq \mathcal{M}^{p_i}, \mathcal{M}^{p_j}$  in  $P_{\text{countable}}$ . Hence

$$\rho^{\mathcal{M}} \supset \rho^{\mathcal{M}^{p_i}}, \rho^{\mathcal{M}^{p_j}}.$$

Let  $p = (\mathcal{N}^p, \rho^{\mathcal{M}}[\mathcal{N}^p])$ . Then  $p \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}$ . This  $p$  is a common extension of  $p_i$  and  $p_j$  in  $P$ . □

**Lemma.** (CH) Let  $G$  be  $P$ -generic over  $V$ . In  $V[G]$ , let us define

$$\dot{\mathcal{N}} = \bigcup \{\mathcal{N}^p \mid p \in G\}.$$

Then  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$  is a matrix. By this we mean that

- (ob)  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$  consists of countable elementary substructures of  $(H_{\omega_2}^V, \in)$ .
- (iso) For any  $N, M \in \dot{\mathcal{N}}$ , if  $N =_{\omega_1} M$ , then there exists a (necessarily unique) isomorphism  $\phi : (N, \in, \dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap N) \longrightarrow (M, \in, \dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap M)$  such that  $\phi$  is the identity on the intersection  $N \cap M$ .
- (up) If  $N_3, N_2 \in \dot{\mathcal{N}}$  with  $N_3 <_{\omega_1} N_2$ , then there exists  $N_1 \in \dot{\mathcal{N}}$  such that  $N_3 \in N_1$  and  $N_1 =_{\omega_1} N_2$ .
- (stat)  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$  is stationary in  $[H_{\omega_2}^V]^\omega$  and so  $\in$ -directed. □

Since  $(\dot{\mathcal{N}}, \in)$  is well-founded, the rank function  $\rho^{\dot{\mathcal{N}}}$  is well-defined.

**Lemma.** Let  $G$  be  $P$ -generic over  $V$ . In  $V[G]$ , let us define

$$\dot{f} = \bigcup \{f^p \mid p \in G\}.$$

Let  $p \in P$ ,  $Z \in \mathcal{N}^p$ , and  $f^p(Z) = i$ . Then there exists  $q \leq p$  in  $P$  such that

- If  $i = 0$ , then  $q \Vdash_P \text{"}Z \in \text{zero}(\dot{\mathcal{N}}) \text{ and } \rho^{\dot{\mathcal{N}}}(Z) = i\text{"}$ .
- If  $i$  is successor, then  $q \Vdash_P \text{"}Z \in \text{suc}_1(\dot{\mathcal{N}}) \cup \text{suc}_2(\dot{\mathcal{N}}) \text{ and } \rho^{\dot{\mathcal{N}}}(Z) = i\text{"}$ .
- If  $i$  is limit, then  $q \Vdash_P \text{"}Z \in \text{lim}(\dot{\mathcal{N}}) \text{ and } \rho^{\dot{\mathcal{N}}}(Z) = i\text{"}$ .

In particular,  $\dot{\mathcal{N}}$  is a morass-type matrix and  $\dot{f}$  coincide with the rank function  $\rho^{\dot{\mathcal{N}}}$  of the well-founded structure  $(\dot{\mathcal{N}}, \in)$ .

*Proof.* By induction on  $i < \omega_1$ . Let  $p \in P$ ,  $Z \in \mathcal{N}^p$ , and  $f^p(Z) = i$ .

**Case.**  $i = 0$ : We claim  $p \Vdash_P \text{"}Z \in \text{zero}(\dot{\mathcal{N}}) \text{ and so } \rho^{\dot{\mathcal{N}}}(Z) = 0\text{"}$ .

*Proof.* Suppose not. Let  $q \leq p$  in  $P$  and  $W \in Z \cap \mathcal{N}^q$ . Then

$$f^q(W) < f^q(Z) = f^p(Z) = 0.$$

This would be a contradiction. □

**Case.**  $i = i + 1$ : We have two subcases.

**Subcase 1.** For all  $q \leq p$  and for all  $\mathcal{M}$  such that  $q \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}$ , we have  $Z \notin \text{suc}_2(\mathcal{M})$ : Let  $p \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^p$ . Since  $\rho^{\mathcal{M}^p}(Z) = f^p(Z) = i + 1$ , we must have  $Z \in \text{suc}_1(\mathcal{M}^p) \cup \text{suc}_2(\mathcal{M}^p)$ . Since we are in Subcase 1,  $Z \notin \text{suc}_2(\mathcal{M}^p)$ . Hence  $Z \in \text{suc}_1(\mathcal{M}^p)$ . Let  $\mathcal{M}^p \cap Z = \{Z_1\} \cup (\mathcal{M}^p \cap Z_1)$  and so  $\rho^{\mathcal{M}^p}(Z_1) = i$ . By Lemma (Dense 2), there exists  $p' \leq p$  in  $P$  such that  $p' \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^{p'}$  again and  $Z_1 \in \mathcal{N}^{p'}$ . Note that  $f^{p'}(Z_1) = i$ . By induction, we may assume, by extending  $p'$ , that  $p' \Vdash_P \rho^{\dot{\mathcal{N}}}(Z_1) = i$ .

We claim  $p' \Vdash_P \dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap Z = \{Z_1\} \cup (\dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap Z_1)$  and so  $Z \in \text{suc}_1(\dot{\mathcal{N}})$ . Hence  $p' \Vdash_P \rho^{\dot{\mathcal{N}}}(Z) = i + 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $p'' \leq p'$  in  $P$ ,  $p'' \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^{p''}$ , and  $W \in \mathcal{N}^{p''} \cap Z$ . Suffices to show that either  $W = Z_1$  or  $W \in Z_1$ . Since  $\rho^{\mathcal{M}^{p''}}(Z) = f^{p''}(Z) = f^p(Z) = i + 1$ , we must have  $Z \in \text{suc}_1(\mathcal{M}^{p''}) \cup \text{suc}_2(\mathcal{M}^{p''})$ . Since we are in Subcase 1,  $Z \notin \text{suc}_2(\mathcal{M}^{p''})$ . Hence  $Z \in \text{suc}_1(\mathcal{M}^{p''})$ . But  $\rho^{\mathcal{M}^{p''}}(Z) = i + 1$ ,  $Z_1 \in \mathcal{N}^{p''} \cap Z \subseteq \mathcal{M}^{p''} \cap Z$ , and  $\rho^{\mathcal{M}^{p''}}(Z_1) = f^{p''}(Z_1) = f^{p'}(Z_1) = i$ . Hence

$$W \in \mathcal{N}^{p''} \cap Z \subseteq \mathcal{M}^{p''} \cap Z = \{Z_1\} \cup (\mathcal{M}^{p''} \cap Z_1).$$

In particular,  $W = Z_1$  or  $W \in Z_1$ . □

**Subcase 2.** There are  $q \leq p$  in  $P$  and  $\mathcal{M}^q$  such that  $q \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^q$  and  $Z \in \text{suc}_2(\mathcal{M}^q)$ : Let  $Z_1 = {}_{\omega_1} Z_2$ ,  $(Z_1, Z_2) \models \Delta$ , and  $\mathcal{M}^q \cap Z = \{Z_1, Z_2\} \cup (\mathcal{M}^q \cap Z_1) \cup (\mathcal{M}^q \cap Z_2)$ . Then by Lemma (Dense 3), there is  $q' \leq q$  in  $P$ ,  $q' \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^{q'}$  again,  $Z_1, Z_2, Z \in \mathcal{N}^{q'}$ , and  $f^{q'}(Z_1) = f^{q'}(Z_2) = i < i + 1 = f^q(Z) = f^q(Z)$ . By induction, we may assume, by extending  $q'$  twice, that  $q' \Vdash_P i = \rho^{\dot{\mathcal{N}}}(Z_1) = \rho^{\dot{\mathcal{N}}}(Z_2)$ .

We claim  $q' \Vdash_P \dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap Z = \{Z_1, Z_2\} \cup (\dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap Z_1) \cup (\dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap Z_2)$  and so  $Z \in \text{suc}_2(\dot{\mathcal{N}})$ . Hence  $q' \Vdash_P \rho^{\dot{\mathcal{N}}}(Z) = i + 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $q'' \leq q'$  in  $P$ ,  $q'' \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^{q''}$ , and  $W \in \mathcal{N}^{q''} \cap Z$ . Suffices to show that either  $W = Z_1$ ,  $W = Z_2$ ,  $W \in Z_1$ , or  $W \in Z_2$ . Since  $Z_1, Z_2, Z \in \mathcal{N}^{q''} \subseteq \mathcal{M}^{q''}$ , we have  $Z_1, Z_2, Z \in \mathcal{M}^{q''}$ . But

$$\rho^{\mathcal{M}^{q''}}(Z_1) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^{q''}}(Z_2) = f^{q''}(Z_1) = f^{q''}(Z_2) = i,$$

$$\rho^{\mathcal{M}^{q''}}(Z) = f^{q''}(Z) = f^p(Z) = i + 1,$$

and  $(Z_1, Z_2) \models \Delta$ . Hence  $Z \in \text{suc}_2(\mathcal{M}^{q''})$  and

$$W \in \mathcal{N}^{q''} \cap Z \subseteq \mathcal{M}^{q''} \cap Z = \{Z_1, Z_2\} \cup (\mathcal{M}^{q''} \cap Z_1) \cup (\mathcal{M}^{q''} \cap Z_2).$$

In particular,  $W = Z_1$ ,  $W = Z_2$ ,  $W \in Z_1$ , or  $W \in Z_2$ . □

**Case.**  $i$  is limit: We claim  $p \Vdash_P Z = \bigcup (\dot{\mathcal{N}} \cap Z)$  and so  $Z \in \text{lim}(\dot{\mathcal{N}})$ .

*Proof.* Let  $q \leq p$  in  $P$ ,  $q \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^q$ , and  $e \in Z$ . Want to find  $r \leq q$  in  $P$  such that there is  $Y \in \mathcal{N}^r \cap Z$  with  $e \in Y$ . Since  $i = f^p(Z) = f^q(Z) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^q}(Z)$  is limit, we must have  $Z \in \text{lim}(\mathcal{M}^q)$ . Hence  $Z = \bigcup (\mathcal{M}^q \cap Z)$  and so there is  $Y \in \mathcal{M}^q \cap Z$  such that  $e, \mathcal{N}^q \cap Z \in Y$ . By Lemma (Dense 2), there is  $r \leq q$  in  $P$  such that  $Y \in \mathcal{N}^r \cap Z$ .

□

We claim  $p \Vdash_P \ulcorner \rho^{\mathcal{N}}(Z) = i \urcorner$ .

*Proof.* Suppose not. We argue in two cases.

**Case 1.** There are  $q \leq p$  and  $j < i$  such that  $q \Vdash_P \ulcorner \rho^{\mathcal{N}}(Z) = j \urcorner$ : Let  $q \in P$  witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^q$ . Since  $i = f^q(Z) = \rho^{\mathcal{M}^q}(Z)$  is limit, we must have  $Z \in \lim(\mathcal{M}^q)$ . Hence there are  $Y \in \mathcal{M}^q \cap Z$  and  $k$  such that  $i > \rho^{\mathcal{M}^q}(Y) = k \geq j$  and  $Z \cap \mathcal{N}^q \in Y$ . By Lemma (Dense 2), we have  $q' \leq q$  in  $P$  such that  $Y \in \mathcal{N}^{q'}$  and  $q' \in P$  is witnessed by  $\mathcal{M}^{q'}$  again. By induction there is  $q'' \leq q'$  such that  $q'' \Vdash_P \ulcorner \rho^{\mathcal{N}}(Y) = k \urcorner$ . Since  $Y \in Z$ , we have  $q'' \Vdash_P \ulcorner \rho^{\mathcal{N}}(Z) > k \geq j \urcorner$ . But  $q'' \leq q' \leq q$  in  $P$  and  $q \Vdash_P \ulcorner \rho^{\mathcal{N}}(Z) = j \urcorner$ . This would be a contradiction.

**Case 2.** There are  $q \leq p$  in  $P$  and  $j$  such that  $j > i$  and  $q \Vdash_P \ulcorner \rho^{\mathcal{N}}(Z) = j \urcorner$ : Take  $q' \leq q$ ,  $W \in \mathcal{N}^{q'} \cap Z$ , and  $k$  such that  $q' \Vdash_P \ulcorner \rho^{\mathcal{N}}(W) = k \geq i \urcorner$ . By induction, we may assume, by extending  $q'$ , that  $f^{q'}(W) = k$ . But  $k < f^q(Z) = f^p(Z) = i$ . This would be a contradiction.

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**Theorem.** (CH) Let  $G$  be  $P$ -generic over  $V$ . Then there exists a simplified  $(\omega_1, 1)$ -morass that is entailed from the morass-type matrix  $\mathcal{N} = \bigcup \{ \mathcal{N}^p \mid p \in G \}$  in  $V[G]$ .

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