

## On the Notion of Forcing for The Complete Boundingness

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### Abstract

We concentrate on a natural notion of forcing for the complete boundingness. We provide equivalences so that the notion (1) preserves the first uncountable cardinal; (2) preserves the stationary subsets of the first uncountable cardinal; (3) semiproper; (4) proper. It appears that there exist corresponding large cardinals and combinatorial principles.

### Introduction

We consider the notion of forcing for the complete boundingness. The complete boundingness has been investigated by various people. The following are a few of the developments known to us.

- Generic Ultrapowers and the complete boundingness and various observations. ([B-M])
- The equivalence between the complete boundingness and what we call the Zapletal's Conjecture. ([Y])
- An iterated forcing construction for the complete boundingness starting from the least regular cardinal which has cofinally many measurables below. ([M])

We have been informed of the following.

- On the consistency of the complete boundingness with CH. ([S-L])
- The large cardinal hypothesis used is necessary. ([D-D])

The references [W] and [S] appear to be the origins of many things. In this note, we intend to give our account which took place in the years between 1998-2000 intermittently.

### §1. Preliminary 1

We review the set of sets which are hereditarily of size less than a given regular uncountable cardinal.

**1.1 Definition.** Let  $\theta > \omega$  be a regular cardinal. We denote  $H_\theta = \{x \mid |\text{TC}(x)| < \theta\}$ , where  $\text{TC}(x)$  denotes the transitive closure of  $x$ .

The following are basic closure properties of  $H_\theta$ 's.

**1.2 Proposition.** *Let  $\theta > \omega$  be a regular cardinal.*

- (1)  $x \in H_\theta$  iff  $(x \subset H_\theta \text{ and } |x| < \theta)$ .
- (2)  $|H_\theta| = 2^{<\theta}$ .
- (3) If  $y \in x \in H_\theta$ , then  $y \in H_\theta$ .
- (4) If  $y \subseteq x \in H_\theta$ , then  $y \in H_\theta$ .
- (5)  ${}^{<\theta}H_\theta \subset H_\theta$ .
- (6) If  $x, y \in H_\theta$ , then  $\{x, y\}, x \times y, \bigcup x \in H_\theta$ .
- (7) If  $H_\theta \models "y = P(x)",$  then  $y = P(x)$ .
- (8) If  $y = \text{TC}(P(x)) = P(x) \cup \text{TC}(x)$  is of size  $< \theta$ , then  $H_\theta \models "y = P(x)".$
- (9)  $H_\theta \prec_{\Sigma_1} H_\chi$  for all regular  $\chi$  with  $\theta < \chi$ .
- (10) If  $V = L$ , then  $L_\theta = H_\theta$ .

We next summarize the definabilities of  $H_\theta$ 's.

**1.3 Proposition.** *Let both  $\theta$  and  $\chi$  be uncountable regular with  $2^{<\theta} < \chi$ .*

- (1)  $H_\theta \in H_\chi$ .
- (2) Let  $y = H_\theta$ , then  $H_\chi \models "y = \{x \mid |TC(x)| < \theta\}"$ .
- (3) If  $\theta \in M \prec H_\chi$ , then  $H_\theta \in M$  and so  $H_\theta \cap M \prec H_\theta$ .

We review  $H_\theta$  in generic extensions.

**1.4 Proposition.** *Let  $P$  be a preorder and  $\theta$  be uncountable regular with  $P \in H_\theta$ . We denote  $V^P$  for the class of  $P$ -names in  $V$ .*

- (1)  $\Vdash_P "H_\theta^{V[\dot{G}]} = \{\tau_{\dot{G}} \mid \tau \in H_\theta \cap V^P\}"$ .  
Actually we have
- (2) For any  $\tau \in V^P$  there is  $\sigma \in H_\theta \cap V^P$  s.t.  $\Vdash_P "if \tau \in H_\theta^{V[\dot{G}]}, then \tau = \sigma"$ .

We next summarize elementary substructures in generic extensions.

**1.5 Proposition.** *Let  $P$  be a preorder,  $\theta$  be uncountable regular and  $N$  be a countable elementary substructure with  $P \in N \prec H_\theta$ .*

- (1) For any formula  $\varphi(v_1, \dots, v_n)$ , there is a formula  $\varphi^*(x, y, v_1, \dots, v_n)$  s.t. for all  $p \in P$  and all  $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n \in V^P$   $p \Vdash_P "H_\theta^{V[\dot{G}]} \models \varphi(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n)"$  iff  $H_\theta \models \varphi^*(p, P, \tau_1, \dots, \tau_n)$ .
- (2)  $\Vdash_P "N[\dot{G}] = \{\tau_{\dot{G}} \mid \tau \in N \cap V^P\} \prec H_\theta^{V[\dot{G}]}"$ .
- (3)  $\Vdash_P "If N \cup \{\dot{G}\} \subseteq \dot{M} \prec H_\theta^{V[\dot{G}]}, then N[\dot{G}] \subseteq \dot{M}"$ .

## §2. Preliminary 2

We review the semiproperness of preorders.

**2.1 Definition.** A preorder  $P$  is *semiproper*, if for all regular cardinals  $\theta$  with  $P \in H_{\rho(P)^+} \in H_\theta$ , where  $\rho(P) = |TC(P)|$ , and all countable elementary substructures  $N$  with  $P \in N \prec H_\theta$ , the following holds.

For any  $p \in P \cap N$  there is  $q \leq p$  s.t. for any  $\tau \in V^P \cap N$  with  $\Vdash_P "\tau \in \omega_1^V"$ , we have  $q \Vdash_P "\tau \in N"$ .

Equivalently,  $q \Vdash_P "N[\dot{G}] \cap \omega_1^V = N \cap \omega_1^V"$ .

**2.2 Definition.** Let  $A \supseteq \omega_1$ . A set  $S \subseteq [A]^\omega$  is *semistationary*, if

$$\bigcup_{X \in S} \{Y \in [A]^\omega \mid X \subseteq_{\omega_1} Y\}$$

is stationary in  $[A]^\omega$ , where  $X \subseteq_{\omega_1} Y$  means that  $X \subseteq Y$  and  $X \cap \omega_1 = Y \cap \omega_1$ .

The following provides a model theoretic equivalence to the semiproperness. ([S])

**2.3 Theorem.** *Let  $P$  be a preorder. The following are equivalent.*

- (1)  $P$  is semiproper.
- (2)  $P$  preserves not only  $\omega_1$  but also every semistationary set. Namely, if  $S \subseteq [A]^\omega$  is semistationary, then  $\Vdash_P "\bigcup \{Y \in ([A]^\omega)^{V[\dot{G}]} \mid \exists X \in S X \subseteq_{\omega_1} Y\}$  is stationary in  $([A]^\omega)^{V[\dot{G}]}"$ .

As a corollary to the proof of the above theorem which is due to [S], we have

**2.4 Corollary.** *Let  $P$  be a preorder and let  $\rho(P) = |TC(P)|$ . The following are all equivalent.*

- (1)  $P$  is semiproper.
- (2)  $P$  preserves  $\omega_1$  and every semistationary set in all  $[A]^\omega$  with  $\omega_1 \subseteq A$ .
- (3)  $P$  preserves  $\omega_1$  and every semistationary set in  $[H_{\rho(P)^+}]^\omega$ .

- (4)  $\{N \prec H_{\rho(P)^+} \mid P \in N \text{ and } \forall p \in P \cap N \exists q \leq p \text{ } q \text{ is } (P, N)\text{-semi-generic}\}$  contains a club.  
(5) For all countable elementary substructure  $M$  of  $H_{(2^{\rho(P)})^+}$  with  $P \in M$  and all  $p \in P \cap M$ , there is  $q \leq p$  s.t.  $q$  is  $(P, M)$ -semi-generic.

### §3. The Principle CB

We consider the following combinatorial principle.

**3.1 Definition.** The *complete boundingness* (CB) holds, if for any  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$ , there is  $\gamma$  with  $\omega_1 < \gamma < \omega_2$  and a sequence  $\langle X_i \mid i < \omega \rangle$  of continuously increasing countable subsets of  $\gamma$  with  $\bigcup \{X_i \mid i < \omega_1\} = \gamma$  s.t. for all  $i < \omega_1$  the order type of  $X_i$  is greater than  $f(i)$ .

We first mention an equivalence to CB. The equivalence is the original to CB and due to [B-M] and [W].

**3.2 Proposition.** *The following are equivalent.*

- (1) CB holds.  
(2)  $NS_{\omega_1}$  is completely bounded. Namely, for any  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$  there is  $\gamma \in (\omega_1, \omega_2)$ , a bijection  $\pi : \omega_1 \rightarrow \gamma$  and a club  $C \subseteq \omega_1$  s.t. for all  $\delta \in C$   $f(\delta) < o.t.(\pi''\delta)$ .

Among others, the following are observed in [B-M] and possibly in [W].

**3.3 Theorem.**

- (1) If  $NS_{\omega_1}$  is saturated, then  $NS_{\omega_1}$  is completely bounded.  
(2) If  $NS_{\omega_1}$  is completely bounded, then  $\diamond_{\omega_1}$  gets negated.

Then [Y] improved a result due to [B-M] to the following.

**3.4 Theorem.** *The following are equivalent.*

- (1)  $NS_{\omega_1}$  is completely bounded.  
(2) The Zapletal's Conjecture holds. Namely, for any club  $C \subseteq \omega_1$ , the pull-back  $C^* = \{X \in [\omega_2]^\omega \mid o.t.(X) \in C\}$  contains a club.  
(3) For any  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$  there are club many  $\gamma < \omega_2$ , bijections  $\pi : \omega_1 \rightarrow \gamma$  and clubs  $C \subseteq \omega_1$  s.t. for all  $\delta \in C$   $f(\delta) < o.t.(\pi''\delta)$ .

We add the following to record.

**3.5 Theorem.** *The following are equivalent.*

- (1) CB hold.  
(2) For any regular  $\theta \geq \omega_2$  and any countable  $Y \prec H_\theta$ , the canonical extension  $Z = \{f(Y \cap \omega_1) \mid f \in Y, f : \omega_1 \rightarrow H_\theta\} \prec H_\theta$  of  $Y$  satisfies  $Z \cap \omega_1 = o.t.(Y \cap \omega_2)$ .

*Proof.* (1) implies (2): Fix  $\theta$ ,  $Y$  and  $Z$ . We first observe that the following always holds.

**Claim 1.**  $o.t.(Y \cap \omega_2) \leq Z \cap \omega_1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\pi : o.t.(Y \cap \omega_2) \rightarrow Y \cap \omega_2$  be the isomorphism. For any  $\gamma \in Y \cap \omega_2$ , take a sequence  $\langle X_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle$  of continuously increasing countable subsets of  $\gamma$  s.t.  $\bigcup \{X_i \mid i < \omega_1\} = \gamma$ . Since  $\gamma \in Y$ , we may assume  $\langle X_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle \in Y$ . Let  $f_\gamma : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$  be defined by  $f_\gamma(i) = o.t.(X_i)$ . We may assume  $f_\gamma \in Y$ . Note that

$$\pi[o.t.(\gamma \cap Y) : o.t.(\gamma \cap Y)] \rightarrow \gamma \cap Y = X_{Y \cap \omega_1}.$$

This map is the isomorphism. So we have

$$o.t.(\gamma \cap Y) = o.t.(X_{Y \cap \omega_1}) = f_\gamma(Y \cap \omega_1) \in Z \cap \omega_1.$$

But  $\text{o.t.}(Y \cap \omega_2) = \{\text{o.t.}(\gamma \cap Y) \mid \gamma \in Y \cap \omega_2\}$ . Thus  $\leq$  holds.  $\square$

But by CB, we get

**Claim 2.**  $\text{o.t.}(Y \cap \omega_2) \geq Z \cap \omega_1$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $f(Y \cap \omega_1) < \omega_1$ . We may assume  $f \in Y$  with  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$ . By CB, we get  $\omega_1 < \gamma < \omega_2$  and a sequence  $\langle X_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle$  s.t. for all  $i < \omega_1$   $f(i) < \text{o.t.}(X_i)$ . Since  $f \in Y$ , we may assume  $\gamma, \langle X_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle \in Y$ . And so  $f(Y \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(X_{Y \cap \omega_1})$  and  $X_{Y \cap \omega_1} = \bigcup \{X_i \mid i < Y \cap \omega_1\} = Y \cap \gamma$ . Thus  $f(Y \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(Y \cap \gamma) < \text{o.t.}(Y \cap \omega_2)$ .

(2) implies (1): Given  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$ , construct a sequence of canonical extensions  $\langle Y_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle$ . By this we mean that

- $f \in Y_0 \prec H_{\omega_2}$ .
- $Y_{i+1} = \{g(Y_i \cap \omega_1) \mid g \in Y_i \text{ and } g : \omega_1 \rightarrow H_{\omega_2}\} \prec H_{\omega_2}$ .
- For limit  $i < \omega_1$ , we take  $Y_i = \bigcup \{Y_j \mid j < i\} \prec H_{\omega_2}$ .

Then for any  $i < \omega_1$ , we have

$$f(i) \in Y_{i+1} \cap \omega_1 = \text{o.t.}(Y_i \cap \omega_2).$$

We put  $X_i = Y_i \cap \omega_2$  and  $\gamma = \bigcup \{X_i \mid i < \omega_1\}$ . It is easy to see that  $\gamma < \omega_2$  and this  $\langle X_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle$  works.  $\square$

#### §4. The Notion of Forcing $Q(f, \kappa)$ for CB

We introduce a natural partially ordered set to force CB. In the following, we typically consider either  $\kappa = \omega_2$  or  $\kappa$  is a measurable cardinal.

**4.1 Definition.** Let  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$  and  $\kappa$  be a regular cardinal with  $\kappa \geq \omega_2$ . We define  $p = \langle X_i^p \mid i \leq \alpha^p \rangle \in Q(f, \kappa)$ , if

- $p$  is a sequence of continuously increasing countable subsets of  $\kappa$  of length  $\alpha^p + 1 < \omega_1$ .
- For all  $i \leq \alpha^p$   $f(i) < \text{o.t.}(X_i^p)$ .

For  $p, q \in Q(f, \kappa)$ , we set  $q \leq p$ , if  $q \supseteq p$ .

We first mention a density. The proof is a simplified version due to Y. Yoshinobu.

**4.2 Lemma.** For any  $p \in Q(f, \kappa)$ , any countable subset  $X$  of  $\kappa$  and any  $\alpha < \omega_1$ , we have  $q \leq p$  s.t. if  $\alpha^p < \alpha$ , then  $\alpha^q = \alpha$  and  $X \subseteq X_\alpha^q$ .

*Proof.* Given  $p, X$  and  $\alpha$  with  $\alpha^p < \alpha$ , take a countable subset  $Y$  of  $\kappa$  so that  $X \cup X_{\alpha^p}^p \subseteq Y$  and  $\text{o.t.}(Y) > \sup\{f(i) \mid \alpha^p < i \leq \alpha\}$ . Let  $q = p \cup \{(i, Y) \mid \alpha^p < i \leq \alpha\}$ . This  $q$  works.  $\square$

We consider equivalent conditions on  $Q = Q(f, \kappa)$  so that

- (1)  $Q$  preserves  $\omega_1$ .
- (2)  $Q$  preserves every stationary subset of  $\omega_1$ .
- (3)  $Q$  is semiproper.
- (4)  $Q$  is proper.

It turns out that we have a beautiful picture including CB and the Weak Chang's Conjecture.

### §5. $Q(f, \kappa)$ May Preserve $\omega_1$

**5.1 Proposition.** *Let  $Q = Q(f, \kappa)$ . The following are equivalent.*

- (1)  $Q$  preserves  $\omega_1$ .
- (2)  $Q$  is  $\sigma$ -Baire
- (3)  $S(f, \kappa) = \{X \in [\kappa]^\omega \mid X \cap \omega_1 < \omega_1 \text{ and for all } i \leq X \cap \omega_1 \ f(i) < \text{o.t.}(X)\}$  is stationary.

*Proof.* (1) implies (2): Suppose  $Q$  preserved  $\omega_1$ . Let  $\langle D_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$  be a sequence of open dense subsets of  $Q$  and  $p \in Q$ . By the density we take a sequence  $\langle \dot{X}_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle$  of  $Q$ -names so that

- $\Vdash_Q \text{“} \bigcup \dot{G} = \langle \dot{X}_i \mid i < \omega_1^V \rangle \text{”}$ .

We construct a sequence of  $Q$ -names  $\langle \dot{p}_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$  s.t.

- $p \Vdash_Q \text{“} \dot{p}_n \leq p \text{ and } \dot{p}_n \in D_n \cap \dot{G} \text{”}$ .

Since  $Q$  preserves  $\omega_1$ , we have  $\Vdash_Q \text{“} \sup\{\alpha^{\dot{p}_n} \mid n < \omega\} < \omega_1 \text{”}$ . Since  $\Vdash_Q \text{“} \forall \beta < \omega_1 \ \langle \dot{X}_i \mid i \leq \beta \rangle \in Q \text{”}$ , we have  $p \Vdash_Q \text{“} \exists q \leq p \ q \in \bigcup \{D_n \mid n < \omega\} \text{”}$ . So we have  $q \leq p$  with  $q \in \bigcup \{D_n \mid n < \omega\}$ .

(2) implies (3): Let  $h : <^\omega \kappa \rightarrow \kappa$ . We want to find  $X \in S(f, \kappa)$  s.t.  $X$  is  $h$ -closed. To this end take a sufficiently large regular cardinal  $\theta$  and a countable elementary substructure  $N$  with  $f, \kappa, Q, h \in N \prec H_\theta$ . Notice that in every generic extension  $V[\dot{G}]$  via  $Q$ , we have

- $N[\dot{G}] \cap \kappa$  is  $h$ -closed.
- For all  $i < N[\dot{G}] \cap \omega_1$   $f(i) \in N[\dot{G}] \cap \omega_1$ .
- $\bigcup \dot{G} = \langle \dot{X}_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle \in N[\dot{G}]$ .

Since  $\dot{X}_{N[\dot{G}] \cap \omega_1} = N[\dot{G}] \cap \kappa$ ,

- $f(N[\dot{G}] \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(N[\dot{G}] \cap \kappa)$ .

Since  $Q$  is  $\sigma$ -Baire,

$$\omega_1 \in X = N[\dot{G}] \cap \kappa \in V.$$

We observe this  $X$  works. To see  $X \in S(f, \kappa)$ , take  $i < X \cap \omega_1$ . Then  $f(i) \in X \cap \omega_1 < \omega_1$ . So we have  $f(i) < \text{o.t.}(X)$ . We also have  $f(X \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(X)$ . To see  $X$  is  $h$ -closed, notice that  $h \in N[\dot{G}] \prec H_\theta^{V[\dot{G}]}$  and so  $h \text{“} <^\omega (N[\dot{G}] \cap \kappa) \subseteq N[\dot{G}] \cap \kappa \text{”}$ . Namely,  $X$  is  $h$ -closed.

(3) implies (1): Suppose  $\alpha < \omega_1$  and  $p \Vdash_Q \text{“} \dot{g} : \alpha \rightarrow \omega_1^V \text{”}$ . We want to find  $q \leq p$  and  $\beta < \omega_1$  s.t.  $q \Vdash_Q \text{“} \dot{g} \text{“} \alpha \subseteq \beta \text{”}$ . By (3), we may take a sufficiently large regular cardinal  $\theta$  and a countable elementary substructure  $N$  with

- $p, \dot{g}, Q, \alpha \in N \prec H_\theta$ .
- $N \cap \kappa \in S(f, \kappa)$ .

And so,

- $f(N \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(N \cap \kappa)$ .

We construct a  $(Q, N)$ -generic sequence  $\langle p_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$  with  $p_0 \leq p$ . Then we have

- $\sup\{\alpha^{p_n} \mid n < \omega\} = N \cap \omega_1$ .
- $\bigcup \{X_{\alpha^{p_n}} \mid n < \omega\} = N \cap \kappa$ .

Let  $q = \bigcup \{p_n \mid n < \omega\} \cup \{(N \cap \omega_1, N \cap \kappa)\}$ .

Then  $q \leq p$  is  $(Q, N)$ -generic. Hence  $q \Vdash_Q \text{“} \dot{g} \text{“} \alpha \subseteq N[\dot{G}] \cap \omega_1^V = N \cap \omega_1^V < \omega_1^V \text{”}$ .

□

To complete the picture at this level, let us recall

**5.2 Definition.** The *Weak Chang's Conjecture* holds, if there is no  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$  s.t. for all  $\beta < \omega_2$ ,  $\{i < \omega_1 \mid f_\beta(i) < f(i)\}$  contains a club, where  $f_\beta$  denotes the  $\beta$ -th canonical function.

The following is known.

**5.3 Lemma.** *The following are equivalent.*

- (1) *The Weak Chang's Conjecture holds.*
- (2) *For any regular cardinal  $\theta \geq \omega_2$  and any  $p \in H_\theta$ , there is  $\delta < \omega_1$  s.t.  $\sup\{\text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2) \mid p \in N \prec H_\theta, N \text{ is countable and } N \cap \omega_1 = \delta\} = \omega_1$ .*

The following completes the picture at this level. The implication (1) implies (2) is due to [Y].

**5.4 Proposition.** *The following are equivalent.*

- (1) *For all  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$ ,  $Q(f, \omega_2)$  preserves  $\omega_1$ .*
- (2) *The Weak Chang's Conjecture holds.*

*Proof.* (1) implies (2): Suppose  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$ . We assume  $S(f, \omega_2) \subseteq \{X \in [\omega_2]^\omega \mid X \cap \omega_1 < \omega_1 \text{ and } f(X \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(X)\}$  is stationary. So for each  $X \in S(f, \omega_2)$ , there is  $\beta \in X$  s.t.  $\text{o.t.}(\beta \cap X) = f(X \cap \omega_1)$ . By applying the Pressing Down Lemma, we get  $\beta < \omega_2$  and a stationary set  $T \subseteq S(f, \omega_2)$  s.t. for any  $X \in T$ , we have  $\beta \in X$  and  $f(X \cap \omega_1) = \text{o.t.}(X \cap \beta)$ . Hence  $\{\gamma < \omega_1 \mid f(\gamma) = f_\beta(\gamma)\}$  is stationary. Hence  $\{i < \omega_1 \mid f_\beta(i) < f(i)\}$  does not contain any club.

(2) implies (1): Let  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$ . We want to show  $S(f, \omega_2)$  is stationary. To this end let  $\pi : {}^{<\omega}\omega_2 \rightarrow \omega_2$ . We need to find  $X \in S(f, \omega_2)$  which is  $\pi$ -closed. By the Weak Chang's Conjecture, if we take  $\theta = \omega_3$  and  $c = (f, \pi)$ , then there is  $\delta < \omega_1$  s.t.

$$\sup\{\text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2) \mid c \in N \prec H_{\omega_3} \text{ and } N \cap \omega_1 = \delta\} = \omega_1.$$

We calculate  $f(\delta) < \omega_1$  and may choose  $N$  so that

- $c \in N \prec H_{\omega_3}$ .
- $N \cap \omega_1 = \delta$  and  $\text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2) > f(\delta)$ .

Let  $X = N \cap \omega_2$ . Then  $X$  is  $\pi$ -closed and  $f(X \cap \omega_1) = f(\delta) < \text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2) = \text{o.t.}(X)$ . So we have  $X \in S(f, \omega_2)$ . □

So we have the exact consistency strength concerning the preservation of  $\omega_1$ .

**5.5 Corollary.** *The following are equiconsistent.*

- (1) *For all  $f \in {}^{\omega_1}\omega_1$ ,  $Q(f, \omega_2)$  preserves  $\omega_1$ .*
- (2) *There is an almost  $< \omega_1$ -Erdős cardinal.*

*Proof.* See [D-P] or [D-L]. □

**5.6 Proposition.** *If the Weak Chang's Conjecture holds, then there is no simplified  $(\omega_1, 1)$ -morasses. And so  $\omega_2$  is strongly inaccessible in  $L$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose to the contrary, we had a simplified  $(\omega_1, 1)$ -morass

$$\langle \theta_i, F_{ij} \mid i < j \leq \omega_1 \rangle$$

s.t.

- $\theta_0 = 1$  and  $\theta_{\omega_1} = \omega_2$ .
- $0 < \theta_i < \omega_1$ .
- For  $i < j < \omega_1$ , we have  $|F_{ij}| \leq \omega$ .
- For any  $f \in F_{ij}$ ,  $f : \theta_i \rightarrow \theta_j$  is  $\in$ -preserving.
- $F_{ii+1} = \{id_{\theta_i}, f_{ii+1}\}$ , where there is  $\sigma_i < \theta_i$  and  $\theta_{i+1} = \theta_i + (\theta_i - \sigma_i)$ .

And,

$$f_{ii+1}(\alpha) = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } \alpha < \sigma_i, \\ \theta_i + (\alpha - \sigma_i) & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

- For limit  $j \leq \omega_1$ ,  $\theta_j = \bigcup\{\theta_i \mid f \in F_{ij}\}$ .
- For  $i < j < k \leq \omega_1$ , we have  $F_{jk} \circ F_{ij} = F_{ik}$ .
- For limit  $j \leq \omega_1$ ,  $i_1, i_2 < j$  and  $f_1 \in F_{i_1j}, f_2 \in F_{i_2j}$ , there is  $k$  with  $i_1, i_2 < k < j$  and there are  $g_1 \in F_{i_1k}, g_2 \in F_{i_2k}$  and  $h \in F_{kj}$  s.t.  $f_1 = h \circ g_1$  and  $f_2 = h \circ g_2$ .

The following is well-known (see [V]).

**5.7 Lemma.** *If  $f, g \in F_{ij}$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in \theta_i$  and  $f(\alpha) = g(\alpha)$ , then  $\alpha = \beta$  and  $f[\alpha] = g[\alpha]$ .*

Now we define  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$  by  $f(i) = \theta_i$ .

**Claim.**  $S(f, \omega_2) = \{X \in [\omega_2]^\omega \mid X \cap \omega_1 < \omega_1 \text{ and } \forall i \leq X \cap \omega_1 \ f(i) < \text{o.t.}(X)\}$  is not stationary.

*Proof.* Define

$$C = \{X \in [\omega_2]^\omega \mid \forall \xi, \eta \in X \text{ with } \xi < \eta \exists i < X \cap \omega_1 < \omega_1 \exists \bar{\xi}, \bar{\eta} < \theta_i \exists f \in F_{i\omega_1} \ f(\bar{\xi}) = \xi, f(\bar{\eta}) = \eta\}.$$

We observe that this  $C$  is a club disjoint from  $S(f, \omega_2)$ . To see  $C$  is a club, we mention the unboundedness of  $C$ . Given  $Y \in [\omega_2]^\omega$ , take a sufficiently large regular cardinal  $\theta$  and a countable elementary substructure  $N$  with  $Y, \langle \theta_i, F_{ij} \mid i < j \leq \omega_1 \rangle \in N \prec H_\theta$ . Let  $X = N \cap \omega_2$ . Then we have  $Y \subset X$ . If  $\xi, \eta \in X$ , then there is  $i < \omega_1$ ,  $f \in F_{i\omega_1}$ ,  $\bar{\xi}, \bar{\eta} \in \theta_i$  s.t.  $f(\bar{\xi}) = \xi$  and  $f(\bar{\eta}) = \eta$ . By the elementarity, we may assume  $i < X \cap \omega_1$ .

We next mention that if  $X \in C$ , then  $\theta_{X \cap \omega_1} \geq \text{o.t.}(X)$ . And so  $f(X \cap \omega_1) \geq \text{o.t.}(X)$ . Hence  $X \notin S(f, \omega_2)$ . To show this, we define  $p : X \rightarrow \theta_{X \cap \omega_1}$  by  $p(\xi) = \bar{\xi}$ , where there is  $g_\xi \in F_{X \cap \omega_1 \omega_1}$   $g_\xi(\bar{\xi}) = \xi$ . It is easy to show that this  $p$  is  $\in$ -preserving.

If there is no  $(\omega_1, 1)$ -morasses in  $V$ , then  $\omega_2$  is strongly inaccessible (see [D]).

□

## §6. $Q(f, \kappa)$ May Preserve Every Stationary Subset of $\omega_1$

**6.1 Proposition.** *The following are equivalent.*

(1)  $Q(f, \kappa)$  preserves every stationary subset of  $\omega_1$ .

(2)  $S(f, \kappa) = \{X \in [\kappa]^\omega \mid X \cap \omega_1 < \omega_1 \text{ and for all } i \leq X \cap \omega_1 \ f(i) < \text{o.t.}(X)\}$  is projectively stationary. Namely, for any stationary subset  $T$  of  $\omega_1$ , we have  $\{X \in S(f, \kappa) \mid X \cap \omega_1 \in T\}$  is stationary.

*Proof.* (1) implies (2): Let  $T$  be a stationary subset of  $\omega_1$ . We need to show that  $\{X \in S(f, \kappa) \mid X \cap \omega_1 \in T\}$  is stationary. To this end let  $\pi : {}^{<\omega_1}\kappa \rightarrow \kappa$  be given. We want to find  $X \in S(f, \kappa)$  s.t.  $X \cap \omega_1 \in T$  and  $X$  is  $\pi$ -closed. Take any  $Q(f, \kappa)$ -generic filter  $G$  over  $V$  and we argue in  $V[G]$ . Let  $\bigcup G = \langle X_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle$  be a sequence forced. Back in  $V$ , take a sufficiently large regular cardinal  $\theta$  and a sequence of countable elementary substructures  $\langle N_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle$  of  $H_\theta$  s.t.  $N_0$  contains  $f, \pi$  and relevant names. Then in  $V[G]$ , we form the sequence of countable elementary substructures  $\langle N_i[G] \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle$  of  $H_\theta^{V[G]}$ . Since  $G \in N_0[G]$ , we have  $\langle X_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle \in N_0[G]$ . Since we assume  $T$  remains stationary and  $\{\delta < \omega_1 \mid N_\delta[G] \cap \omega_1 = N_\delta \cap \omega_1 = \delta\}$  is a club, we may take  $\delta < \omega_1$  s.t.  $N_\delta[G] \cap \omega_1 = \delta \in T$ . Notice that we have  $X_\delta = N_\delta[G] \cap \kappa$ . And so  $f(\delta) < \text{o.t.}(N_\delta[G] \cap \kappa)$ . Let  $X = N_\delta[G] \cap \kappa \in V$ . Then it is easy to check that this  $X$  works.

(2) implies (1): Since  $S(f, \kappa)$  is projectively stationary, it is stationary. Hence  $Q(f, \kappa)$  is  $\sigma$ -Baire. Let  $T \subseteq \omega_1$  be stationary,  $p \in Q(f, \kappa)$  and  $p \Vdash_{Q(f, \kappa)} \dot{C} \subseteq \omega_1$  be a club". We want to find  $q \leq p$  and  $\delta \in T$  s.t.  $q \Vdash_{Q(f, \kappa)} \delta \in \dot{C}$ ". To this end take a sufficiently large regular cardinal  $\theta$  and a countable elementary substructure  $N$  s.t.

- $p, \dot{C}, Q(f, \kappa), f \in N \prec H_\theta$ .
- $\delta = N \cap \omega_1 \in T$ .
- $N \cap \kappa \in S(f, \kappa)$ .

And so,

- $f(\delta) < \text{o.t.}(N \cap \kappa)$ .

Let  $\langle p_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$  be a  $(Q(f, \kappa), N)$ -generic sequence with  $p_0 \leq p$ . Then

- $\sup\{\alpha^{p_n} \mid n < \omega\} = \delta$ .
- $\bigcup\{X_{\alpha^{p_n}}^{p_n} \mid n < \omega\} = N \cap \kappa$ .

Let  $q = \bigcup\{p_n \mid n < \omega\} \cup \{\delta, N \cap \kappa\}$ . Then it is easy to see that  $q \leq p$  and  $q$  is  $(Q(f, \kappa), N)$ -generic. And so  $q \Vdash_{Q(f, \kappa)} \dot{C} \in N[\dot{G}]$  and  $\delta = N \cap \omega_1 = N[\dot{G}] \cap \omega_1 \in \dot{C}$ ". □

The complete picture at this level is as follows. Though we may not know the exact consistency strength of this level.

**6.2 Proposition.** *The following are equivalent.*

- (1) For all  $f \in {}^{\omega_1}\omega_1$ ,  $Q(f, \omega_2)$  preserves every stationary subset of  $\omega_1$ .
- (2) For all  $f \in {}^{\omega_1}\omega_1$ ,  $S(f, \omega_2)$  is projectively stationary.
- (3) For any constant  $c$  and any regular cardinal  $\theta \geq \omega_2$  with  $c \in H_\theta$ ,  $\{\delta < \omega_1 \mid \sup\{\text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2) \mid c \in N \prec H_\theta \text{ and } N \cap \omega_1 = \delta\} = \omega_1\}$  contains a club. (A strong form of the Weak Chang's Conjecture.)

*Proof.* We have seen (1) iff (2).

(2) implies (3): Suppose not. Then there must be a regular cardinal  $\theta$  and a constant  $c \in H_\theta$  s.t.  $A = \{\delta < \omega_1 \mid \sup\{\text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2) \mid c \in N \prec H_\theta \text{ and } N \cap \omega_1 = \delta\} = \omega_1\}$  does not contain any club. So we may define a function  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$  s.t. for  $\delta \in \omega_1 - A$ ,  $f(\delta) = \sup\{\text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2) \mid c \in N \prec H_\theta \text{ and } N \cap \omega_1 = \delta\} < \omega_1$ . Since  $S(f, \omega_2)$  is projectively stationary, we may take a countable elementary substructure  $N$  s.t.

- $c \in N \prec H_\theta$ .
- $\delta = N \cap \omega_1 \in \omega_1 - A$ .
- $f(\delta) < \text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2)$ .

But  $\text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2) \in \{\text{o.t.}(M \cap \omega_2) \mid c \in M \prec H_\theta \text{ and } M \cap \omega_1 = \delta\}$  and so  $\text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2) \leq f(\delta)$ . This is a contradiction.

(3) implies (2): Let  $T \subseteq \omega_1$  be stationary and  $\pi : {}^{<\omega_2}\omega_2 \rightarrow \omega_2$  be given. We want to find  $X \in S(f, \omega_2)$  s.t.  $X \cap \omega_1 \in T$  and  $X$  is  $\pi$ -closed. Let  $\theta = \omega_3$  and  $c = (\pi, f)$ . Then by (3), we have  $\delta \in T$  s.t.  $\sup\{\text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2) \mid c \in N \prec H_{\omega_3} \text{ and } N \cap \omega_1 = \delta\} = \omega_1$ .

We calculate  $f(\delta) < \omega_1$  and fix a countable elementary substructure  $N$  s.t.

- $f(\delta) < \text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2)$ .
- $c \in N \prec H_{\omega_3}$ .
- $N \cap \omega_1 = \delta$ .

Let  $X = N \cap \omega_2$ . Then it is easy to check that  $X \in S(f, \omega_2)$  works.



□

### §7. $Q(f, \kappa)$ May Be Semiproper

**7.1 Proposition.** *The following are equivalent.*

- (1)  $Q(f, \kappa)$  is semiproper.
- (2) For all regular cardinals  $\theta \geq (2^\kappa)^+$  and all countable elementary substructures  $N^*$  of  $H_\theta$  with  $\kappa, f \in N^*$ , there is a countable elementary substructure  $M^*$  of  $H_\theta$  s.t.  $N^* \subseteq_{\omega_1} M^*$  and  $f(M^* \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(M^* \cap \kappa)$ .
- (3) For any club  $D \subseteq [H_{\kappa^+}]^\omega$  there is a club  $C \subseteq [H_{\kappa^+}]^\omega$  s.t. for any  $X \in C$ , there is  $Y \in D$  s.t.  $X \subseteq_{\omega_1} Y$  and  $Y \cap \kappa \in S(f, \kappa)$ .

*Proof.* (1) implies (2): Let  $Q = Q(f, \kappa)$ . Suppose  $Q$  is semiproper. In particular  $Q$  preserves  $\omega_1$  and so  $Q$  is  $\sigma$ -Baire.

**Claim 1.**  $E = \{N \in [H_{\kappa^+}]^\omega \mid \exists M \in [H_{\kappa^+}]^\omega \ N \subseteq_{\omega_1} M \prec H_{\kappa^+} \ f(M \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(M \cap \kappa)\}$  contains a club.

*Proof.* Suppose not. We write  $H = H_{\kappa^+}$  for short. Let

$$S = \{N \in [H]^\omega \mid N \prec H \text{ and } N \notin E\}.$$

Hence  $S$  is stationary. Now let  $G$  be any  $Q$ -generic filter over  $V$ . Then  $S$  remains semistationary in  $V[G]$ . Let  $\langle X_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle = \bigcup G$ . It is routine to see that

$$C = \{M \in [H]^\omega \mid M \prec H \text{ and } X_{M \cap \omega_1} = M \cap \kappa\}$$

is a club. So we have countable sets  $N, M \in V$  s.t.

- $N \in S$  and  $N \subseteq_{\omega_1} M \prec H$ .
- $X_{M \cap \omega_1} = M \cap \kappa$ .

And so

- $f(M \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(M \cap \kappa)$ .

Hence  $N \in E$ . However, this contradicts to  $N \in S$ .

□

**Claim 2.** Let  $\theta$  be a regular cardinal with  $\theta \geq (2^\kappa)^+$ . If  $N^* \prec H_\theta$  is countable with  $\kappa, f \in N^*$ , then there is a countable  $M^*$  s.t.  $N^* \subseteq_{\omega_1} M^* \prec H_\theta$  and  $f(M^* \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(M^* \cap \kappa)$ .

*Proof.* Since  $H_{\kappa^+} \in H_\theta$ , we have

$$H_\theta \models \text{“}E = \{N \in [H_{\kappa^+}]^\omega \mid \exists M \in [H_{\kappa^+}]^\omega \ N \subseteq_{\omega_1} M \prec H_{\kappa^+} \ f(M \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(M \cap \kappa)\} \text{ contains a club.} \text{”}$$

So we may assume that a club as such belongs to  $N^*$ . Hence  $N = N^* \cap H_{\kappa^+}$  is in the club. Therefore we may take a countable  $M \prec H_{\kappa^+}$  s.t.  $N \subseteq_{\omega_1} M$  and  $f(M \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(M \cap \kappa)$ . Let

$$M^* = \{g(s) \mid g \in N^*, \ g : {}^{<\omega}\kappa \longrightarrow H_\theta, \ s \in {}^{<\omega}(M \cap \kappa)\}$$

Then since every function from  ${}^{<\omega}\kappa$  to  $\kappa$  belongs to  $H_{\kappa^+}$ , we have

- $N^* \subseteq_{\omega_1} M^* \prec H_\theta$ .
- $M \cap \kappa = M^* \cap \kappa$ .

And so

- $f(M^* \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(M^* \cap \kappa)$ .

□

(2) implies (3): Let  $D \subseteq [H_{\kappa^+}]^\omega$  be a given club. Take a sufficiently large regular cardinal  $\theta$ . Let  $C$  be a club in  $[H_{\kappa^+}]^\omega$  contained in  $\{N^* \cap H_{\kappa^+} \mid \kappa, D, f \in N^* \prec H_\theta\}$ . Now if  $X \in C$ , then there is  $N^* \prec H_\theta$  s.t.  $X = N^* \cap H_{\kappa^+}$  and  $\kappa, D, f \in N^* \prec H_\theta$ . By (2), we have  $M^*$  s.t.  $N^* \subseteq_{\omega_1} M^*$  and  $M^* \cap \kappa \in S(f, \kappa)$ . Since  $D \in N^* \subseteq M^*$  and  $D$  is a club, we have  $M^* \cap H_{\kappa^+} \in D$ . Let  $Y = M^* \cap H_{\kappa^+}$ . Then  $Y \in D$ ,  $X \subseteq_{\omega_1} Y$  and  $Y \cap \kappa \in S(f, \kappa)$ .

(3) implies (1): Let  $\theta$  be a regular cardinal so that  $Q(f, \kappa), H_{\kappa^+} \in H_\theta$ . Take a club  $D \subseteq \{M^* \cap H_{\kappa^+} \mid M^* \prec H_\theta\}$ . By (2) we have a club  $C$  in  $[H_{\kappa^+}]^\omega$  as such. Let  $E = \{N^* \prec H_\theta \mid N^* \cap H_{\kappa^+} \in C\}$ . This  $E$  is a club in  $[H_\theta]^\omega$ .

**Claim.** If  $N^* \in E$ , then there is  $M^*$  s.t.  $N^* \subseteq_{\omega_1} M^* \prec H_\theta$  and  $M^* \cap \kappa \in S(f, \kappa)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $N^* \in E$ . Then  $N = N^* \cap H_{\kappa^+} \in C$ . So there is  $M \in D$  s.t.  $N \subseteq_{\omega_1} M$  and  $M \cap \kappa \in S(f, \kappa)$ . Let

$$M^* = \{g(s) \mid g \in N^*, g: {}^{<\omega}\kappa \longrightarrow H_\theta, s \in {}^{<\omega}(M \cap \kappa)\}.$$

Since every function from  ${}^{<\omega}\kappa$  to  $\omega_1$  is in  $H_{\kappa^+}$ , we may check that

- $N^* \subseteq_{\omega_1} M^* \prec H_\theta$ .
- $M \cap \kappa \subseteq M^*$ .
- $N^* \cap \omega_1 = N \cap \omega_1 = M \cap \omega_1 = M^* \cap \omega_1$ .

And so

- $M^* \cap \kappa \in S(f, \kappa)$ .

□

Now for any  $N^* \in E$  with  $Q = Q(f, \kappa) \in N^*$  and  $p \in N^* \cap Q$ , we take  $M^*$  as claimed. We want to find  $q \leq p$  s.t.  $q$  is  $(Q, N^*)$ -semi-generic. To this end we may take any  $(Q, M^*)$ -generic sequence  $\langle p_n \mid n < \omega \rangle$  with  $p_0 \leq p$ . Then by the density, we know

- $N^* \cap \omega_1 = M^* \cap \omega_1 = \sup\{\alpha^{p_n} \mid n < \omega\}$ .
- $\kappa \cap M^* = \bigcup\{X_{\alpha^{p_n}} \mid n < \omega\}$ .

Let  $q = \bigcup\{p_n \mid n < \omega\} \cup \{(M^* \cap \omega_1, M^* \cap \kappa)\}$ . Then  $q \leq p$  is  $(Q, M^*)$ -generic and so  $q$  is  $(Q, N^*)$ -semi-generic. Since  $E$  is a club, we are done.

□

**7.2 Note.** The Weak Reflection Principle implies a statement with similar form as (3) at  $\omega_2$  (see p.669 in [W]). Namely, suppose for any stationary  $S \subseteq [\omega_2]^\omega$ , there is  $\alpha$  with  $\omega_1 < \alpha < \omega_2$  s.t.  $S \cap [a]^\omega$  is stationary. Then for any club  $D \subseteq [\omega_2]^\omega$ , there is a club  $C \subseteq [\omega_2]^\omega$  s.t. for any  $X \in C$ , there is  $Y \in D$  s.t.  $X \subseteq_{\omega_1} Y$  and  $X \neq Y$ .

**7.3 Corollary.** (1) If  $\kappa$  is measurable, then  $Q(f, \kappa)$  is semiproper for all  $f$ .

(2) If the Strong Chang's Conjecture holds, then  $Q(f, \omega_2)$  is semiproper for all  $f$ .

*Proof.* Let us recall the Strong Chang's Conjecture. For all sufficiently large regular cardinals  $\theta$  and any countable elementary substructure  $N$  of  $H_\theta$ , there is a countable elementary substructure  $M$  of  $H_\theta$  s.t.  $N \subseteq_{\omega_1} M$  and  $N \cap \omega_2 \neq M \cap \omega_2$ . In either case, we know that countable elementary substructures are stretched while preserving the intersection with  $\omega_1$ .

□

**7.4 Note.** (1) The Reflection Principle implies The Strong Chang's Conjecture (p.59 in [B]).

- (2) If we Levy collapse a measurable cardinal, then The Strong Chang's Conjecture holds (p.603 and also see p.615 in [S]).

### §8. $Q(f, \kappa)$ May Be Proper

We now finish the picture at the highest level.

**8.1 Proposition.** *The following are equivalent.*

- (1)  $Q(f, \kappa)$  is proper.
- (2) For all regular cardinals  $\theta \geq |TC(Q(f, \kappa))|^+$  and all countable elementary substructures  $N^*$  of  $H_\theta$  with  $\kappa, f \in N^*$ , we have  $f(N^* \cap \omega_1) < o.t.(N^* \cap \kappa)$ .
- (3)  $S(f, \kappa)$  contains a club.

*Proof.* (1) implies (2): Let  $\theta$  be a regular cardinal with  $\theta \geq |TC(Q(f, \kappa))|^+$ . Take any countable elementary substructure  $N^* \prec H_\theta$  with  $\kappa, f \in N^*$ . Notice that we have  $Q(f, \kappa) \in N^*$ . We must observe  $f(N^* \cap \omega_1) < o.t.(N^* \cap \kappa)$ . To do so we may take any  $q \in Q(f, \kappa)$  which is  $(Q(f, \kappa), N^*)$ -generic and any  $Q(f, \kappa)$ -generic filter  $G$  with  $q \in G$ . Let  $\bigcup G = \langle X_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle \in N^*[G]$ . Notice that  $X_{N^*[G] \cap \omega_1} = N^*[G] \cap \kappa$  holds. Since  $q$  is  $(Q(f, \kappa), N^*)$ -generic, we have  $N^* \cap \kappa = N^*[G] \cap \kappa$ . Since  $f(N^* \cap \omega_1) < o.t.(X_{N^* \cap \omega_1})$  and  $X_{N^* \cap \omega_1} = N^* \cap \kappa$ , we are done.

(2) implies (3): Take a sufficiently large regular cardinal  $\theta$  and a club  $D \subseteq \{N^* \cap \kappa \mid \kappa, f \in N^* \prec H_\theta\}$ . By (2), if  $X \in D$ , then we have  $f(X \cap \omega_1) < o.t.(X)$ .

(3) implies (1): Let  $\theta$  be a sufficiently large regular cardinal. Suppose  $N^*$  is a countable elementary substructure of  $H_\theta$  s.t.  $\kappa, f \in N^*$ . Notice that we have  $Q(f, \kappa), S(f, \kappa) \in N^*$ . Since  $S(f, \kappa)$  contains a club, we have  $N^* \cap \kappa \in S(f, \kappa)$ . Hence  $f(N^* \cap \omega_1) < o.t.(N^* \cap \kappa)$ . Now take any  $p \in Q(f, \kappa) \cap N^*$  and construct any  $(Q(f, \kappa), N^*)$ -generic sequence below  $p$ . The sequence has a lower bound. The bound is a  $(Q(f, \kappa), N^*)$ -generic condition. Since there are club many  $N^*$ , we conclude  $Q(f, \kappa)$  is proper.  $\square$

In the following, the equivalences (2)-(5) are due to [Y].

**8.2 Theorem.** *The following are equivalent.*

- (1) For any  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$ ,  $Q(f, \omega_2)$  is proper.
- (2) CB holds.
- (3) For any  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$ ,  $\{X \in [\omega_2]^\omega \mid f(X \cap \omega_1) < o.t.(X)\}$  contains a club.
- (4) For any club  $C \subseteq \omega_1$ ,  $\{X \in [\omega_2]^\omega \mid o.t.(X) \in C\}$  contains a club.
- (5) For any club  $C \subseteq \omega_1$ , there is  $\gamma$  with  $\omega_1 < \gamma < \omega_2$  and a sequence of continuously increasing countable subsets  $\langle X_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle$  of  $\gamma$  s.t. for all  $i < \omega_1$ , we have  $o.t.(X_i) \in C$ .

*Proof.* We know (1) iff (3).

(3) implies (2): Let  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$ . Let  $g(i) = \sup\{f(j) \mid j \leq i\}$ . Take a sufficiently large regular cardinal  $\theta$ . We then choose a continuously increasing countable elementary substructures  $\langle N_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle$  s.t.

- $N_i \prec H_\theta$ .
- $f(i) \leq g(i) \leq g(N_i \cap \omega_1) < o.t.(N_i \cap \omega_2)$ .

Let  $X_i = N_i \cap \omega_2$  for each  $i < \omega_1$ . Since  $\bigcup\{N_i \cap \omega_1 \mid i < \omega_1\} = \omega_1$ , we have  $\bigcup\{N_i \cap \omega_2 \mid i < \omega_1\} = \gamma < \omega_2$  for some  $\gamma$ . Hence this  $\gamma$  and the  $X_i$ 's work.

(2) implies (1): Let  $\theta$  be a sufficiently large regular cardinal. Let  $N$  be a countable elementary substructure of  $H_\theta$  with  $Q(f, \omega_2) \in N$ . Since we assume CB, we may assume that there is  $\gamma, \langle X_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle \in N$

s.t. for all  $i < \omega_1$   $f(i) < \text{o.t.}(X_i)$ . Let  $p \in Q(f, \omega_2) \cap N$ . Since  $f(N \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(X_{N \cap \omega_1})$  and  $X_{N \cap \omega_1} = \bigcup \{X_i \mid i < N \cap \omega_1\} \subseteq N \cap \gamma \subset N \cap \omega_2$ , we have  $f(N \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2)$ . Hence any  $(Q(f, \omega_2), N)$ -generic sequence below  $p$  would have a lower bound. And any lower bound  $q \leq p$  would be  $(Q(f, \omega_2), N)$ -generic.

(3) implies (4): Let  $\theta$  be a sufficiently large regular cardinal. By (3) we know that if  $N$  is countable and  $N \prec H_\theta$ , then for any  $f \in {}^{\omega_1}\omega_1 \cap N$ , we have  $f(N \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2)$ . Therefore if  $M = \{f(N \cap \omega_1) \mid f \in N\}$ , then  $\text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2) = M \cap \omega_1$  holds. Here  $\kappa = \omega_2$  is crucial in  $Q(f, \kappa)$ . Let  $C \subseteq \omega_1$  be a club. If  $C \in N \subset M$ , then  $M \cap \omega_1 \in C$  and so  $\text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2) \in C$ . Therefore  $\{X \in [\omega_2]^\omega \mid \text{o.t.}(X) \in C\}$  contains a club induced by the  $N \cap \omega_2$ 's.

(4) implies (3): Given  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$ , let  $C = \{i < \omega_1 \mid \forall j < i \ f(j) < i\}$ . Then  $C$  is a club. By (4)  $\{X \in [\omega_2]^\omega \mid \text{o.t.}(X) \in C\}$  contains a club. But if  $\text{o.t.}(X) \in C$ ,  $X \cap \omega_1 < \omega_1$  and  $\omega_1 \in X$ , then  $X \cap \omega_1 < \text{o.t.}(X)$  and so  $f(X \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(X)$ .

(4) implies (5): Let  $\theta$  be a sufficiently large regular cardinal. Let  $C \subseteq \omega_1$  be a club. If  $N$  is countable and  $C \in N \prec H_\theta$ , then we may assume that  $\text{o.t.}(N \cap \omega_2) \in C$ . Now start to construct a sequence of countable elementary substructures  $\langle N_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle$  of  $H_\theta$  with  $C \in N_0$ . Since  $\bigcup \{N_i \cap \omega_1 \mid i < \omega_1\} = \omega_1$ , we have  $\bigcup \{N_i \cap \omega_2 \mid i < \omega_1\} = \gamma < \omega_2$  for some  $\gamma$ . Let  $X_i = N_i \cap \omega_2$ . Then the  $X_i$ 's and  $\gamma$  work.

(5) implies (2): Let  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$ . We consider  $g(i) = \sup\{f(j) \mid j \leq i\}$  and  $C = \{i < \omega_1 \mid \forall j < i \ g(j) < i\}$  which is a club. By (5), we have  $\gamma$  and  $\langle X_i \mid i < \omega_1 \rangle$  s.t. for all  $i < \omega_1$   $\text{o.t.}(X_i) \in C$ . Since  $\bigcup \{X_i \mid i < \omega_1\} = \gamma$  and  $\omega_1 < \gamma$ ,  $D = \{i < \omega_1 \mid \omega_1 \in X_i \text{ and } X_i \cap \omega_1 = i\}$  is a club. Let  $\langle i_\alpha \mid \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  enumerate  $D$ . For  $\alpha < \omega_1$ , we have  $\alpha \leq i_\alpha$  and  $i_\alpha = X_{i_\alpha} \cap \omega_1 < \text{o.t.}(X_{i_\alpha})$ . So we have  $f(\alpha) \leq g(\alpha) \leq g(i_\alpha) = g(X_{i_\alpha} \cap \omega_1) < \text{o.t.}(X_{i_\alpha})$ . Hence  $\gamma$  and  $\langle X_{i_\alpha} \mid \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  work. □

**8.3 Corollary.** *The following is consistent. CB holds and  $\square_{\omega_1}$  holds. Hence  $Q(f, \omega_2)$  are all proper (and so semiproper), yet the Chang's Conjecture (and so the Strong Chang's Conjecture) fails.*

*Proof.* Force  $\square_{\omega_1}$  with the initial segments over any model where CB holds. Since the notion of forcing is  $\omega_2$ -Baire, CB gets preserved. □

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