

# $\omega_1$ -stationary preserving poset of size $\omega_1$ which is not semi-proper

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## 1 Introduction

In this note, we discuss the existence of an  $\omega_1$ -stationary preserving poset of size  $\omega_1$  which is not semi-proper. First we will prove that the following combinatorial principle  $\diamond^{++}$ , which strengthens  $\diamond^+$ , implies the existence of such a poset.

**Notation 1.1.** For a set  $M$  and a well-founded relation  $E$  on  $M$  let  $\text{tcol}(M, E)$  denote the transitive collapse of  $\langle M, E \rangle$ . If  $E = \in \cap {}^2 M$ , then we simply write  $\text{tcol}(M)$  for  $\text{tcol}(M, E)$ .

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $\diamond^{++}$  be the following combinatorial principle:

$\diamond^{++} \equiv$  There exists a sequence  $\vec{K} = \langle K_\alpha \mid \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  with the following properties:

- (i) Each  $K_\alpha$  is a countable set.
- (ii) For any  $A \subseteq \omega_1$  there is a club  $C \subseteq \omega_1$  such that both  $A \cap \alpha$  and  $C \cap \alpha$  belong to  $K_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in C$ .
- (iii) The set

$$X_{\vec{K}} := \{M \in [\mathcal{H}_{\omega_2}]^\omega \mid M \cap \omega_1 \in \omega_1 \wedge \text{tcol}(M) = K_{M \cap \omega_1}\}$$

is stationary in  $[\mathcal{H}_{\omega_2}]^\omega$ .

A sequence  $\vec{K} = \langle K_\alpha \mid \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  satisfying the properties (i)–(iii) above is called a  $\diamond^{++}$ -sequence.

**Proposition 1.3.** If  $\diamond^{++}$  holds, then there exists an  $\omega_1$ -stationary preserving poset of size  $\omega_1$  which is not semi-proper.

Prop.1.3 will be proved in Section 2. As for the consistency of  $\diamond^{++}$  we will prove the following in Section 3:

**Proposition 1.4.**  $\diamond^{++}$  holds in the constructible universe  $L$ .

**Proposition 1.5.** There exists a poset forcing  $\diamond^{++}$ .

Thus we will have the following corollaries:

**Corollary 1.6.** In  $L$  there exists an  $\omega_1$ -stationary preserving poset of size  $\omega_1$  which is not semi-proper.

**Corollary 1.7.** There exists a poset forcing the existence of an  $\omega_1$ -stationary preserving poset of size  $\omega_1$  which is not semi-proper.

## 2 $\diamond^{++}$ and $\omega_1$ -stationary preserving poset of size $\omega_1$ which is not semi-proper

In this section we prove Prop.1.3. Note that a poset with the  $< \omega_2$ -c.c. is semi-proper if and only if it is proper. Thus, it suffices to prove that if  $\diamond^{++}$  holds, then there exists an  $\omega_1$ -stationary preserving poset of size  $\omega_1$  which is not proper. In fact, we will prove the following.

**Proposition 2.1.** If  $\diamond^{++}$  implies holds, then there exists an  $\omega_1$ -stationary preserving poset of size  $\omega_1$  which does not preserve stationary subsets of  $[\mathcal{H}_{\omega_2}]^\omega$ .

First we slightly improve  $\diamond^{++}$ :

**Notation 2.2.** Let  $\text{ZFC}^-$  denote the axiom system  $\text{ZFC} - \text{Power Set Axiom}$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** Assume  $\diamond^{++}$ . Then there is a  $\diamond^{++}$ -sequence  $\vec{K} = \langle K_\alpha \mid \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  with the following properties:

(iv)  $\vec{K}$  is  $\subseteq$ -increasing.

(v) Each  $K_\alpha$  is a countable transitive model of  $\text{ZFC}^-$  with  $\vec{K} \restriction \alpha \in K_\alpha$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\vec{K}' = \langle K'_\alpha \mid \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  be a  $\diamond^{++}$ -sequence. By induction on  $\alpha < \omega_1$  define  $\vec{K} = \langle K_\alpha \mid \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  as follows: If  $K'_\alpha$  is a countable transitive model of  $\text{ZFC}^-$  with  $\bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} K_\beta \subseteq K'_\alpha$  and  $\vec{K} \restriction \alpha \in K'_\alpha$ , then let  $K_\alpha := K'_\alpha$ . Otherwise let  $K_\alpha$  be an arbitrary countable transitive model of  $\text{ZFC}^-$  with  $(\bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} K_\beta) \cup K'_\alpha \subseteq K_\alpha$  and  $\vec{K} \restriction \alpha \in K_\alpha$ .

Then  $\vec{K}$  satisfies the properties (iv) and (v) in Lem.2.3. Thus it suffices to show that  $\vec{K}$  is a  $\diamond^{++}$ -sequence. Clearly  $\vec{K}$  satisfies the properties (i) and (ii) in the definition of  $\diamond^{++}$  (Def.1.2). Below we check (iii).

Take an arbitrary function  $F : [\mathcal{H}_{\omega_2}]^{<\omega} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{\omega_2}$ . We must find  $M \in X_{\vec{K}}$  which is closed under  $F$ . Because  $\vec{K}'$  is a  $\diamond^{++}$ -sequence, we can take  $M \in X_{\vec{K}'}$  with  $M \prec \langle \mathcal{H}_{\omega_2}, \in, \vec{K}', F \rangle$ . Then  $M$  is closed under  $F$ . We show that  $M \in X_{\vec{K}}$ . Let  $\alpha := M \cap \omega_1$ . It suffices to show that  $\text{tcol}(M) = K_\alpha$ . First note that  $K'_\alpha = \text{tcol}(M)$  because  $M \in X_{\vec{K}'}$ . Thus  $K'_\alpha$  is a countable transitive model of  $\text{ZFC}^-$ . Note also that if we let  $\tau : M \rightarrow K'_\alpha$  be the transitive collapse, then  $\vec{K} \restriction \alpha = \tau(\vec{K}')$ . Hence  $\bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} K_\beta \subseteq K'_\alpha$ , and  $\vec{K} \restriction \alpha \in K'_\alpha$ . So  $K_\alpha = K'_\alpha$ . Therefore  $\text{tcol}(M) = K'_\alpha = K_\alpha$ .  $\square$

Now we present a poset  $\mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$  which witnesses Prop.2.1:

**Definition 2.4.** Let  $\vec{K} = \langle K_\alpha \mid \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  be a  $\diamond^{++}$ -sequence satisfying the properties (iv) and (v) in Lem.2.3. Then let  $\mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$  be the poset of all  $p \in {}^{<\omega_1}2$  with  $p \in K_{\text{dom}(p)}$ .  $p \leq q$  in  $\mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$  if  $p \supseteq q$ .

Note that  $\diamond^{++}$  implies CH. Thus  $\mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$  has the size  $\omega_1$ . So it suffices for Prop.2.1 to prove the following:

**Lemma 2.5.** Suppose that  $\vec{K} = \langle K_\alpha \mid \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  is a  $\diamond^{++}$ -sequence satisfying the properties (iv) and (v) in Lem.2.3.

- (1)  $\mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$  is  $\omega_1$ -stationary preserving.
- (2)  $X_{\vec{K}}$  in Def.1.2 defined in  $V$  becomes non-stationary in  $V^{\mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}}$ .

Before proving Lem.2.5, note the following:

**Lemma 2.6.** Suppose that  $\vec{K} = \langle K_\alpha \mid \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  is a  $\diamond^{++}$ -sequence satisfying the properties (iv) and (v) in Lem.2.3 and that  $G$  is  $\mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$ -generic filter over  $V$ . Then  $\text{dom}(\bigcup G) = (\omega_1)^V$ .

*Proof.* In  $V$  it suffices to show that  $\{q \in \mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}} \mid \text{dom}(q) \geq \alpha\}$  is dense. Take an arbitrary  $p \in \mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$  and an arbitrary  $\alpha \in \omega_1 \setminus \text{dom}(p)$ . Let  $q$  be the function on  $\alpha + 1$  such that  $q \restriction \text{dom}(p) = p$  and such that  $q(\beta) = 0$  for all  $\beta \in \alpha + 1 \setminus \text{dom}(p)$ . Then  $q \leq p$ , and  $\text{dom}(q) \geq \alpha$ .  $\square$

Now we prove Lem.2.5:

*Proof of Lem.2.5.* (1) We work in  $V$ . Suppose that  $S$  is a stationary subset of  $\omega_1$ , that  $p \in \mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$  and that  $\dot{C}$  is a  $\mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$ -name for a club subset of  $\omega_1$ . It suffices to find  $p^* \leq p$  and  $\alpha^* \in S$  such that  $p^* \Vdash \alpha \in \dot{C}$ .

Take a well-order  $\Delta$  of  $\mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$ . Moreover for each  $\alpha < \omega_1$  let

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}_{<\alpha} &:= \mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}} \cap {}^{<\alpha}2, \\ D_\alpha &:= \{q \in \mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}} \mid q \text{ decides } \min(\dot{C} \setminus \alpha)\}.\end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\mathbb{P}_{<\alpha} \in K_\alpha$  by the construction of  $\mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$  and the properties (iv) and (v) in Lem.2.3 of  $\vec{K}$ . Note also that each  $D_\alpha$  is a dense open subset of  $\mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$ .

Because  $\vec{K}$  is a  $\diamond^+$ -sequence, we can easily take a club  $B \subseteq \omega_1$  such that

$$p, \Delta \cap \mathbb{P}_{<\alpha}, \langle D_\beta \cap \mathbb{P}_{<\alpha} \mid \beta < \alpha \rangle, B \cap \alpha \in K_\alpha$$

for each  $\alpha \in B$ .

By induction on  $\alpha < \omega_1$  define  $p_\alpha \in \mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$  as follows:

- $p_0 := p$ .
- $p_{\alpha+1}$  is the  $\Delta$ -least  $q \leq p_\alpha$  with  $q \in D_\alpha$  and  $\text{dom}(q) \in B$ .
- $p_\alpha := \bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} p_\beta$  if  $\alpha$  is a limit ordinal.

Here note that if  $\alpha$  is a limit ordinal, then  $p_\alpha \in K_{\text{dom}(p_\alpha)}$ , and so  $p_\alpha \in \mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$ . This is because  $\text{dom}(p_\alpha) \in B$ , and  $p_\alpha$  can be recovered from  $p, \Delta \cap \mathbb{P}_{<\text{dom}(p_\alpha)}, \langle D_\beta \cap \mathbb{P}_{<\text{dom}(p_\alpha)} \mid \beta < \alpha \rangle$  and  $B \cap \text{dom}(p_\alpha)$ , which are all in  $K_{\text{dom}(\alpha)}$ .

For each  $\alpha < \omega_1$  let  $\gamma_\alpha$  be such that  $p_{\alpha+1} \Vdash \text{"}\min(\dot{C} \setminus \alpha) = \gamma_\alpha\text{"}$ . Then, because  $S$  is stationary, we can take a limit ordinal  $\alpha^* \in S$  such that  $\text{dom}(p_{\alpha^*}) = \alpha^*$  and such that  $\gamma_\alpha < \alpha^*$  for all  $\alpha < \alpha^*$ . Then  $p^* := p_{\alpha^*} \leq p$ . Moreover it holds that  $p^* \Vdash \text{"}\alpha^* \in \dot{C}\text{"}$ . Therefore these  $p^*$  and  $\alpha^*$  are as desired.

(2) In  $V$  let  $H := \mathcal{H}_{\omega_2}$  and  $X := X_{\vec{K}}$ . Suppose that  $G$  is a  $\mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$ -generic filter over  $V$ . We show that  $X$  is non-stationary in  $[H]^\omega$  in  $V[G]$ .

First note that  $\bigcup G : \omega_1 \rightarrow 2$  by Lem.2.6 and that  $\bigcup G \notin V$ . Let  $F : {}^{\omega_1}2 \cap V \rightarrow \omega_1$  be the function defined as follows:

$$F(f) := \text{the least } \gamma < \omega_1 \text{ with } f(\gamma) \neq (\bigcup G)(\gamma).$$

We show that any  $M \in X$  is not closed under  $F$ . Fix  $M \in X$ , and let  $\alpha := M \cap \omega_1$ . Then  $K_\alpha = \text{tcol}(M)$ , and  $(\bigcup G) \restriction \alpha \in K_\alpha$  by the construction of  $\mathbb{P}_{\vec{K}}$ . So there exists  $f \in {}^{\omega_1}2 \cap M$  such that  $\tau(f) = (\bigcup G) \restriction \alpha$ , where  $\tau : M \rightarrow \text{tcol}(M)$  is the collapsing map. But  $\tau(f) = f \restriction \alpha$ , and thus  $f \restriction \alpha = (\bigcup G) \restriction \alpha$ . Then  $F(f) \geq \alpha = M \cap \omega_1$ . Therefore  $M$  is not closed under  $F$ .  $\square$

### 3 Consistency of $\diamond^{++}$

In this section we discuss the consistency of  $\diamond^{++}$ . First we prove that  $\diamond^{++}$  holds in  $L$ :

**Proposition 1.4.**  $\diamond^{++}$  holds in  $L$ .

*Proof.* We work in  $L$ . For each ordinal  $\gamma$  and each  $x \subseteq L_\gamma$  let  $\text{Sk}^\gamma(x)$  denotes the Skolem hull of  $x$  in  $\langle L_\gamma, \in, <_L \rangle$ , that is, the smallest  $M \prec \langle L_\gamma, \in, <_L \rangle$  with  $x \subseteq M$ .

For each  $\alpha < \omega_1$  define  $K_\alpha$  as follows: If there are  $\beta_\alpha, \gamma_\alpha, \sigma_\alpha$  and  $a_\alpha$  such that

- $\alpha < \beta_\alpha < \gamma_\alpha < \omega_1$ ,
- $\sigma_\alpha : L_{\gamma_\alpha} \rightarrow L_{\omega_3}$  is an elementary embedding with  $\sigma_\alpha(\beta_\alpha) = \omega_2$  and  $\sigma_\alpha(\alpha) = \omega_1$ ,
- $a_\alpha \in L_{\gamma_\alpha}$ , and  $L_{\gamma_\alpha} = \text{Sk}^{\gamma_\alpha}(\{a_\alpha\})$ .

then let  $K_\alpha := L_{\beta_\alpha}$ . Otherwise, take  $\delta_\alpha$  such that

- $\alpha < \delta_\alpha < \omega_1$ ,
- $L_{\delta_\alpha} \models “|\alpha| = \omega”$ ,

and let  $K_\alpha := L_{\delta_\alpha}$ .

We show that  $\vec{K} = \langle K_\alpha \mid \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle$  is a  $\diamond^{++}$ -sequence. Clearly  $\vec{K}$  satisfies the property (i) in Def.1.2. We check the properties (ii) and (iii).

First we check the property (ii). Take an arbitrary  $A \subseteq \omega_1$ . We show that

$$C := \{ \alpha < \omega_1 \mid \text{Sk}^{\omega_2}(\alpha \cup \{A\}) \cap \omega_1 = \alpha \} .$$

witnesses the property (ii).

Suppose that  $\alpha \in C$ . We must show that both  $A \cap \alpha$  and  $C \cap \alpha$  belong to  $K_\alpha$ . Let  $M := \text{Sk}^{\omega_2}(\alpha \cup \{A\})$ . Moreover suppose that  $\text{tcol}(M) = L_\beta$ , and let  $\tau : M \rightarrow L_\beta$  be the collapsing map.

**Claim 1.**  $L_\beta \in K_\alpha$ .

*Proof of Claim 1.* If  $\alpha$  is as in the latter case of the definition of  $K_\alpha$ , then the claim follows from the fact that  $\alpha$  is countable in  $L_{\delta_\alpha} = K_\alpha$  and the fact that

$\alpha = (\omega_1)^{L_\beta}$ . Thus assume that  $\alpha$  is as in the former case. For the contradiction assume that  $\beta \geq \beta_\alpha$ .

First suppose that  $\beta > \beta_\alpha$ . Note that  $\beta_\alpha$  is not a cardinal in  $L_\beta$  because  $\alpha$  is the largest cardinal in  $L_\beta$ . Then  $\beta > \gamma_\alpha$  because  $\beta_\alpha$  is a cardinal in  $L_{\gamma_\alpha}$ . Then  $\gamma_\alpha$  must be countable in  $L_\beta$  because  $\text{Sk}^{\gamma_\alpha}(\{a_\alpha\}) = L_{\gamma_\alpha}$ . So  $\alpha$  is countable in  $L_\beta$ , too. This contradicts that  $\alpha = (\omega_1)^{L_\beta}$ .

Next suppose that  $\beta = \beta_\alpha$ . First note that  $L_\beta = \text{Sk}^\beta(\alpha \cup \{\tau(A)\})$ . Then  $|\beta_\alpha| = |\beta| = \alpha$  in  $L_{\gamma_\alpha}$ . This contradicts that  $\beta_\alpha$  is a cardinal in  $L_{\gamma_\alpha}$ .  $\square_{\text{Claim1}}$

From Claim 1 it follows that  $A \cap \alpha = \tau(A) \in K_\alpha$ . Moreover

$$C \cap \alpha = \{\alpha' < \alpha \mid \text{Sk}^\beta(\alpha' \cup \{\tau(A)\}) \cap \alpha = \alpha'\} \in K_\alpha.$$

This completes the check of the property (ii).

Next we check the property (iii). Take an arbitrary  $F : [L_{\omega_2}]^{<\omega} \rightarrow L_{\omega_2}$ . It suffices to find  $M \in [L_{\omega_2}]^\omega$  such that  $M$  is closed under  $F$ , such that  $M \cap \omega_1 \in \omega_1$  and such that  $\text{tcol}(M) = K_{M \cap \omega_1}$ .

Let  $N := \text{Sk}^{\omega_3}(\{F\})$  and  $\alpha := N \cap \omega_1 \in \omega_1$ . Moreover suppose that  $\text{tcol}(N) = L_\gamma$ , and let  $\tau : N \rightarrow L_\gamma$  be the collapsing map. Then  $\beta_\alpha := \tau(\omega_2)$ ,  $\gamma_\alpha := \gamma$ ,  $a_\alpha := \tau(F)$  and  $\sigma_\alpha := \tau^{-1}$  witnesses that  $\alpha$  is as in the former case of the definition of  $K_\alpha$ . Let  $M := N \cap L_{\omega_2}$ . Then  $M \cap \omega_1 = \alpha \in \omega_1$ ,  $\text{tcol}(M) = L_{\beta_\alpha} = K_\alpha$ , and  $M$  is closed under  $F$ .  $\square$

Next we show that  $\diamond^{++}$  can be forced:

**Proposition 1.5.** *There exists a poset forcing  $\diamond^{++}$ .*

Because CH can be forced, it suffices to prove that under CH there exists a poset forcing  $\diamond^{++}$ . We prove that the following poset forces  $\diamond^{++}$  under CH:

**Definition 3.1.** *Let  $\mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++})$  be the poset of all  $(k, \mathcal{B})$  with the following properties:*

- (i)  *$k$  is a function such that  $\text{dom}(k) < \omega_1$ .*
  - (ii) *For each  $\alpha \in \text{dom}(k)$ ,  $k(\alpha)$  is a countable transitive model of  $\text{ZFC}^-$  with  $k \restriction \alpha \in k(\alpha)$ .*
  - (iii)  *$\mathcal{B}$  is a countable subset of  $^{<\omega}(\omega_1)$*
- $(k_0, \mathcal{B}_0) \leq (k_1, \mathcal{B}_1)$  in  $\mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++})$  if the following hold:*

(i)  $k_0 \supseteq k_1$ , and  $\mathcal{B}_0 \supseteq \mathcal{B}_1$ .

(ii)  $B \restriction^{<\omega} \alpha \in k_0(\alpha)$  for any  $B \in \mathcal{B}_1$  and any  $\alpha \in \text{dom}(k_0) \setminus \text{dom}(k_1)$ .

Before proving that  $\mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++})$  forces  $\diamond^{++}$ , note the following properties of  $\mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++})$ , which can be easily proved by the standard arguments:

**Lemma 3.2.**  $\mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++})$  is  $\sigma$ -closed and has the  $< (2^\omega)^+$ -c.c. Thus  $\mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++})$  preserves  $\omega_1$ . Moreover if CH holds in  $V$ , then  $\mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++})$  preserves all cardinals.

**Lemma 3.3.** Suppose that  $G$  is a  $\mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++})$ -generic filter over  $V$ , and let  $K := \bigcup \{k \mid \exists \mathcal{B}, (k, \mathcal{B}) \in G\}$ . Then the following hold in  $V[G]$ :

(1)  $\text{dom}(K) = \omega_1$ .

(2) For any  $B \subseteq {}^{<\omega}(\omega_1)$  in  $V$  there exists  $\gamma < \omega_1$  such that  $B \restriction^{<\omega} \alpha \in K(\alpha)$  for all  $\alpha \in \omega_1 \setminus \gamma$ .

(3)  $G$  is equal to the collection of all  $(k, \mathcal{B}) \in \mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++})$  such that  $k \subseteq K$  and such that  $B \restriction^{<\omega} \alpha \in K(\alpha)$  for all  $\alpha \in \omega_1 \setminus \text{dom}(k)$  and all  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ .

Now we prove that  $\mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++})$  forces  $\diamond^{++}$  under CH:

**Lemma 3.4.** Assume CH. Then  $\mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++})$  forces  $\diamond^{++}$ .

In the proof we use the following notation:

**Notation 3.5.** Let  $\mathbb{P}$  be a poset and  $M$  be a set.  $g$  is called an  $(M, \mathbb{P})$ -generic filter if  $g$  is a filter on  $\mathbb{P} \cap M$ , and  $g$  intersects all dense subset of  $\mathbb{P}$  which is in  $M$ . Moreover for a  $\mathbb{P}$ -generic filter  $G$  over  $V$  let

$$M[G] := \{\dot{a}^G \mid \dot{a} \text{ is a } \mathbb{P}\text{-name in } M\},$$

where  $\dot{a}^G$  denote the evaluation of  $\dot{a}$  by  $G$ .

*Proof of Lem.3.4.* Let  $\mathbb{P} := \mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++})$ . Suppose that  $G$  is a  $\mathbb{P}$ -generic filter over  $V$  and let  $K := \bigcup \{k \mid \exists \mathcal{B}, (k, \mathcal{B}) \in G\}$ . We show that  $K (= \langle K(\alpha) \mid \alpha < \omega_1 \rangle)$  is a  $\diamond^{++}$ -sequence in  $V[G]$ .

$\text{dom}(K) = \omega_1$  by Lem.3.3 (1), and clearly  $K$  satisfies the property (i) in the definition of  $\diamond^{++}$  (Def.1.2). So we check the properties (ii) and (iii).

First we check the property (ii) in Def.1.2. We work in  $V[G]$ . Take an arbitrary  $A \subseteq \omega_1$ . We construct a club  $C \subseteq \omega_1$  such that both  $A \cap \alpha$  and  $C \cap \alpha$  belong to  $K(\alpha)$  for all  $\alpha \in C$ .

Let  $\dot{A} \in V$  be a  $\mathbb{P}$ -name for  $A$ . Because  $\mathbb{P}$  has the  $<\omega_2$ -c.c., we may assume that  $\dot{A} \in (\mathcal{H}_{\omega_2})^V$ . In  $V$  take a sufficiently large regular cardinal  $\theta$  and an  $N' \prec \langle (\mathcal{H}_\theta)^V, \in, \mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++}), \dot{A} \rangle$  of size  $\omega_1$  such that  $N' \cap (\mathcal{H}_{\omega_2})^V$  is transitive. Let  $N := \text{tcol}(N')$ ,  $\tau : N' \rightarrow N$  be the collapsing map and  $\mathbb{Q} := \tau(\mathbb{P})$ . Note that  $\tau(\dot{A}) = \dot{A}$  because  $\dot{A} \in (\mathcal{H}_{\omega_2})^V$ , and  $N' \cap (\mathcal{H}_{\omega_2})^V$  is transitive. Note also that  $\tau[G \cap N'] = G \cap N' = G \cap N$  because  $\mathbb{P}(\diamond^{++}) \subseteq (\mathcal{H}_{\omega_2})^V$  and that  $G \cap N$  is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -generic over  $N$ .

In  $V$  take a surjection  $\pi : \omega_1 \rightarrow N$  such that  $\pi(0) = \mathbb{Q}$  and  $\pi(1) = \dot{A}$ , and let  $E := \{(\beta, \alpha) \in {}^2(\omega_1) \mid \pi(\beta) \in \pi(\alpha)\}$ . Note that  $N = \text{tcol}(\omega_1, E)$  and the collapsing map is  $\pi$ . Moreover for each  $\alpha \in \omega_1 \setminus 2$  let  $N_\alpha := \text{tcol}(\alpha, E \cap {}^2\alpha)$ ,  $\pi_\alpha : \alpha \rightarrow N_\alpha$  be the collapsing map,  $\mathbb{Q}_\alpha := \pi_\alpha(0)$ , and  $\dot{A}_\alpha := \pi_\alpha(1)$ .

In  $V[G]$  take  $\delta \in \omega_1 \setminus 2$  such that  $E \cap {}^2\alpha \in K(\alpha)$  for all  $\alpha \in \omega_1 \setminus \delta$ . Then let  $C$  be the set of all  $\alpha \in \omega_1 \setminus \delta$  with the following property:

- $\langle \alpha, E \cap {}^2\alpha \rangle \prec \langle \omega_1, E \rangle$ .
- Letting  $G_\alpha$  be the set of all  $(k, \mathcal{B}) \in \mathbb{Q}_\alpha$  such that
  - $k \subseteq K \restriction \alpha$ ,
  - $B \cap {}^{<\omega}\beta \in K(\beta)$  for all  $\beta \in \alpha \setminus \text{dom}(k)$  and all  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ ,

$G_\alpha$  is  $\mathbb{Q}_\alpha$ -generic over  $N_\alpha$ .

- The map  $\iota_\alpha : N_\alpha[G_\alpha] \rightarrow N[G \cap N]$ , defined as

$$\iota_\alpha(\pi_\alpha(\beta)^{G_\alpha}) := \pi(\beta)^{G \cap N}$$

for each  $\beta < \alpha$  such that  $\pi_\alpha(\beta)$  is a  $\mathbb{Q}_\alpha$ -name, is an elementary embedding.

It is not hard to see that  $C$  is club in  $\omega_1$ . Here note that if  $\alpha \in C$ , then  $N_\alpha, \pi_\alpha, \mathbb{Q}_\alpha, \dot{A}_\alpha, G_\alpha \in K(\alpha)$  because  $E \cap {}^2\alpha, K \restriction \alpha \in K(\alpha)$ , and  $K(\alpha)$  is a transitive model of  $\text{ZFC}^-$ . Thus  $A \cap \alpha = (\dot{A}_\alpha)^{G_\alpha} \in K(\alpha)$  for all  $\alpha \in C$ . Finally note that if  $\alpha \in C$ , then  $C \cap \alpha$  equals to the set of all  $\beta < \alpha$  with the following properties:

- $\langle \beta, E \cap {}^2\beta \rangle \prec \langle \alpha, E \cap {}^2\alpha \rangle$ ,
- $G_\beta$  is a  $\mathbb{Q}_\beta$ -generic over  $N_\beta$ .



- The map  $\iota_{\beta,\alpha} : N_\beta[G_\beta] \rightarrow N_\alpha[G_\alpha]$ , defined as

$$\iota_{\beta,\alpha}(\pi_\beta(\gamma)^{G_\beta}) := \pi_\alpha(\gamma)^{G_\alpha}$$

for each  $\gamma < \beta$  such that  $\pi_\beta(\gamma)$  is a  $\mathbb{Q}_\beta$ -name, is an elementary embedding.

Thus if  $\alpha \in C$ , then  $C \cap \alpha$  is recovered from  $E \restriction^2 \alpha$  and  $K \restriction \alpha$  in  $K(\alpha)$ . This completes the check of the property (ii) in Def.1.2.

Next we check the property (iii) in Def.1.2. We work in  $V$ . Let  $\dot{G}$  be the canonical  $\mathbb{P}$ -name for a  $\mathbb{P}$ -generic filter. Moreover let  $\dot{K}$  be the canonical  $\mathbb{P}$ -name for  $\bigcup\{k \mid \exists \mathcal{B}, (k, \mathcal{B}) \in \dot{G}\}$ .

Take an arbitrary  $(k, \mathcal{B}) \in \mathbb{P}$  and an arbitrary  $\mathbb{P}$ -name  $\dot{F}$  for a function from  $[(\mathcal{H}_{\omega_2})^{V^\mathbb{P}}]^{<\omega}$  to  $(\mathcal{H}_{\omega_2})^{V^\mathbb{P}}$ . It suffices to find  $(k^*, \mathcal{B}^*) \leq (k, \mathcal{B})$  and a  $\mathbb{P}$ -name  $\dot{x}$  of a countable subset of  $(\mathcal{H}_{\omega_2})^{V^\mathbb{P}}$  such that  $(k^*, \mathcal{B}^*)$  forces that  $\dot{x}$  is closed under  $\dot{F}$ , that  $\dot{x} \cap \omega_1 \in \omega_1$  and that  $\text{tcol}(\dot{x}) = \dot{K}(\dot{x} \cap \omega_1)$ .

Take a sufficiently large regular cardinal  $\theta$  and a countable elementary submodel  $\bar{M}$  of  $\langle \mathcal{H}_\theta, \in, \mathbb{P}, (k, \mathcal{B}), \dot{F} \rangle$ . Let  $M := \bar{M} \cap \mathcal{H}_{\omega_2}$  and  $\alpha := \bar{M} \cap \omega_1$ . Furthermore take an  $(\bar{M}, \mathbb{P})$ -generic filter  $g$  containing  $(k, \mathcal{B})$ , and let

$$\begin{aligned} k^{**} &:= \bigcup \{k' \mid \exists \mathcal{B}', (k', \mathcal{B}') \in g\}, \\ \mathcal{B}^* &:= \bigcup \{\mathcal{B}' \mid \exists k', (k', \mathcal{B}') \in g\}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\text{dom}(k^{**}) = \alpha$  and that  $\mathcal{B}^* = \mathcal{P}(<^\omega(\omega_1)) \cap \bar{M}$ . Note also that  $(k^{**}, \mathcal{B}^*)$  is a lower bound of  $g$ .

Let  $\bar{K}_\alpha := \text{tcol}(\bar{M})$ , and  $\tau : \bar{M} \rightarrow \bar{K}_\alpha$  be the transitive collapse, and let  $K_\alpha := \tau[M] = \tau(\mathcal{H}_{\omega_2})$ . Note that  $\tau[g]$  is a  $\tau(\mathbb{Q})$ -generic filter over  $\bar{K}_\alpha$ . Let  $k^*$  be the function on  $\alpha + 1$  which extends  $k^{**}$  and such that  $k^*(\alpha) = K_\alpha[\tau[g]]$ .

We show that  $(k^*, \mathcal{B}^*)$  and  $\dot{x} := M[\dot{G}]$  are as desired. First remark that  $k^* \restriction \alpha = k^{**} \in K_\alpha[\tau[g]]$ . Moreover for all  $B \in \mathcal{P}(<^\omega(\omega_1)) \cap \bar{M} = \mathcal{B}^*$  we have that  $B \cap^2 \alpha = \tau(B) \in K[\tau[g]]$ . Thus  $(k^*, \mathcal{B}^*) \leq (k^{**}, \mathcal{B}^*)$ . In particular  $(k^*, \mathcal{B}^*) \leq (k, \mathcal{B})$ . Moreover  $(k^*, \mathcal{B}^*)$  is a lower bound of  $g$ . Hence  $(k^*, \mathcal{B}^*)$  forces that  $M[\dot{G}] \cap \omega_1 = M \cap \omega_1 = \alpha$  and that  $\text{tcol}(M[\dot{G}]) = K_\alpha[\tau[g]] = \dot{K}(\alpha)$ . Finally  $(k^*, \mathcal{B}^*)$  forces that  $M[\dot{G}]$  is closed under  $\dot{F}$  by the  $(\bar{M}, \mathbb{P})$ -genericity of  $g$ . Therefore  $(k^*, \mathcal{B}^*)$  and  $\dot{x} = M[\dot{G}]$  are as desired.  $\square$

This completes the proof of Prop.1.5.