

Goldberg, The ultrapower axiom

UA = ultrapower axiom

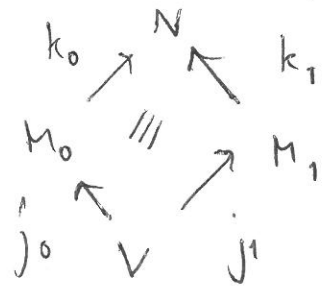
th. (UA) syp. κ is a cardinal, the following are equivalent.

- (1) κ is \aleph_1 cofinal.
- (2) κ is supercompact or a measurable limit of supercompact.

def. M, N are models, an embedding $j: M \rightarrow N$ is a κ -ultrapower if there is some κ -ultrafilter U s.t. $N = \text{ult}(M; U)$, $j = j_U^M$. j is an internal ultrapower embedding if we can take $U \in M$.

UA: if $j_0: V \rightarrow M_0, j_1: V \rightarrow M_1$, are ultrapower embeddings, then are internal ultrapower embeddings

$k_0: M_0 \rightarrow N, k_1: M_1 \rightarrow N$ s.t.



plan.

part I. show the least strongly compact is supercompact.

part II. show the 2nd strongly compact is supercompact.

part I: we'll fix regular δ , consider \mathcal{U}_δ "least" on δ .

part II: define "irreducible" ultrafilters.

def. if α is an ordinal, an ultrafilter \mathcal{U} on α is uniform if for all $\beta < \alpha$, $\alpha \setminus \beta \in \mathcal{U}$.
fix δ regular, carrying a ctbly. complete uniform ultrafilter.

def. a ctbly. complete u.f. \mathcal{U} on δ is zero order iff

(1) $[id] = \sup \{j_\alpha \}^\delta$ (\mathcal{U} weakly normal)

(2) $\sup \{j_\alpha \}^\delta$ carries no countably complete uniform u.f. in $M_\mathcal{U}$

($\Leftrightarrow \exists \mathcal{U} \in M_\mathcal{U} (\sup \{j_\alpha \}^\delta)$ carries no uniform u.f.)

th. (ketonen) δ carries a zero order ultrafilter.

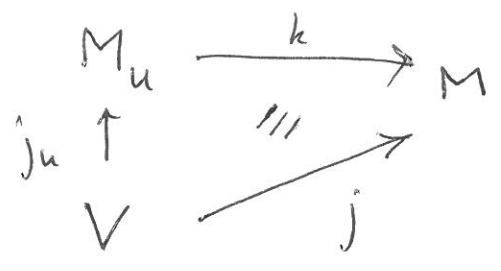
universal property of zero order ultrafilters (UA):

Supp. U is zero order on δ . Supp.

$j: V \rightarrow M$ is an ultrapower eq. s.t.

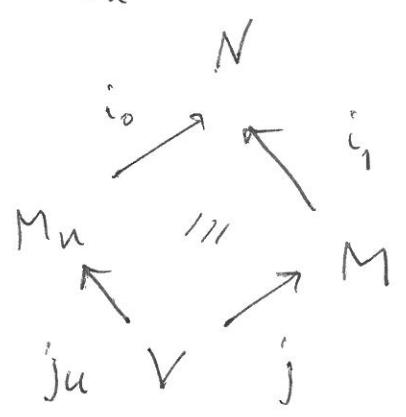
$\text{sup } j''\delta$ carries no other proper ultrafilter in M . then there is a internal

ultrapower $k: M_U \rightarrow M$ s.t.



and $k(\text{sup } j''\delta) = \text{sup } j''\delta$.

proof.



clai. $i_0''M_U \subset i_1''M$

pf.: since $M_U = \text{Hull}^{M_U}(\hat{j}_U''V \cup \{[id]_U\})$

supp. to show $i_0[\hat{j}_U''V] \subset i_1''M$.

$i_0(\text{sup } j''\delta) \in i_1''M$.

to see $i_0(\sup j''\delta) \in i_1''M$:

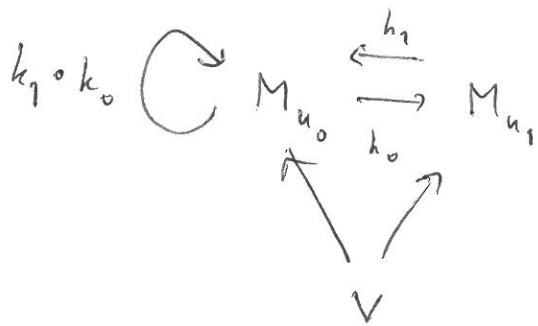
$$\begin{aligned} i_0(\sup j''\delta) &= \sup i_0 \circ j''\delta \\ &= \sup i_1 \circ j''\delta \\ &= i_1(\sup j''\delta). \end{aligned}$$

define $k: M_u \rightarrow M$ by $k = i_1^{-1} \circ i_0$.

take $a \in M$ s.t. $M = \text{Hull}^M(j''V \cup \{a\})$.
 \vdash

Corollary. there's a unique zero order u.f. on δ .

M : say u_0, u_1 zero order.



$$k_0(\sup j_{u_0}''\delta) = \sup j_{u_1}''\delta.$$

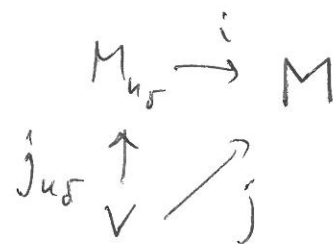
$$k_1 \circ k_0(\sup j_{u_0}''\delta) = \sup j_{u_0}''\delta.$$

def. (UA) $u_\sigma =$ the unique zero order u.f. on σ .

cor. (UA) supp. $i: M_{u_\sigma} \rightarrow M$ is an ultraproon embedding. TFAE.

(1) i is internal.

(2) i is cont. at $\sup j_{u_\sigma}''\sigma$.



defn $j: V \rightarrow M$ as $j = i \circ j_{u_\sigma}$

note that $\sup j''\sigma = i(\sup j_{u_\sigma}''\sigma)$, so $\sup j''\sigma$ carries no uniform u.f. in M .

so let $k: M_{u_\sigma} \rightarrow M$ con for the universal property. so k is internal.

$$\begin{aligned}
 k \circ j_{u_\sigma} &= i \circ j_{u_\sigma} \text{ and } k(\sup j_{u_\sigma}''\sigma) = \sup j''\sigma \\
 &= i(\sup j_{u_\sigma}''\sigma).
 \end{aligned}$$

since k and j agree on $j_{u_\sigma}''V \cup \{\sup j_{u_\sigma}''\sigma\}$.

prop. (UA) supp. $\gamma \in \text{cl}^{M_{u_\sigma}}(\sup j_{u_\sigma}''\sigma)$.

then for any cthy. cotype M_{u_σ} -u.f. W on γ , $W \in M_{u_\sigma}$.

proof. let $i = \hat{j}_{U_\gamma}^{U_\gamma}$. then $i: M_{U_\gamma} \rightarrow M$
 and i is cont. at $\sup \hat{j}_{U_\gamma}'' \sigma$.
 so i is M_{U_γ} -internal. follows that
 $W \in M_{U_\gamma}$, since W is the u.f. derived
 for j using $[id]_W$. \rightarrow

fact. (UA) supp. $\gamma < \text{cf}^{M_{U_\gamma}} (\sup \hat{j}_{U_\gamma}'' \sigma)$.

assume $\text{crit}(U_\gamma) = \kappa_{U_\gamma}$ is γ -strongly closed.
 then $\mathcal{P}(\gamma) \subset M_{U_\gamma}$.

defn. supp. Y is a set and κ is a cardinal.
 a family $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{P}(Y)$ is κ -independent
 iff f.o. $A \subset \mathcal{F}$, the filter generated by
 $A \cup \{Y \setminus X : X \in \mathcal{F} \setminus A\}$ is κ -complete.

thm. (Hausdorff) if κ is inacc. and $\gamma^{<\kappa} = \gamma$,
 $\gamma \in \text{Card}$, then there is an κ -independent family
 $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{P}(\gamma)$ s.t. $\overline{\mathcal{F}} = 2^Y$.

proof: WMA that $cf(\gamma) \geq \kappa$, where

$\kappa = \kappa_{M_{U_\gamma}}$. γ is a cardinal.

was $(\gamma^{<\kappa})^{M_{U_\gamma}} = \gamma$.

note that in M_{U_γ} , κ is γ -strongly compact. so γ carries a κ -complete u.f. in M_{U_γ} . every γ' s.t. γ' is M_{U_γ} -regular and $\gamma' \in [\kappa, \gamma]$ carries a κ -complete u.f. in M_{U_γ} .

in M_{U_γ} , let $\mathbb{F} \subset \mathcal{P}(\gamma)$ be a κ -independent family s.t. $|\mathbb{F}|^{M_{U_\gamma}} = \gamma$.

spp. $\sigma, \tau \in \mathcal{P}_\kappa(\mathbb{F})$, $\sigma \cap \tau = \emptyset$.

need $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F}) \cap \sigma \cap \{x \mid x: x \in \tau\} \neq \emptyset$.

claim: $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F}) \subset M_{U_\gamma}$.

pr.: spp. $A \subset \mathbb{F}$. the filter G generated by $A \cup \{x \mid x: x \in A\}$ is κ -complete

so it extends to a κ -cofilter u.f.

$W \supset G$. but $W \cap M_{\kappa_\delta} \in M_{\kappa_\delta}$.

so $A \in M_\kappa$. $A = (W \cap M_{\kappa_\delta}) \cap \bar{F}$.

since $|\bar{F}|^{M_{\kappa_\delta}} = \gamma$, we get $\mathcal{P}(\gamma) \subset M_{\kappa_\delta}$.

Proposition. (UA) if $\gamma < \aleph^{M_{\kappa_\delta}}(\sup \hat{J}_{\kappa_\delta} \delta)$

and κ_{κ_δ} is γ -strongly compact, then

$\mathcal{P}(\gamma) \subset M_{\kappa_\delta}$.

cor.: if κ_{κ_δ} is δ -strongly compact, then

$\aleph^{M_{\kappa_\delta}}(\sup \hat{J}_{\kappa_\delta} \delta) = \delta$.

proof: deny. then $\mathcal{P}(\delta) \subset M_{\kappa_\delta}$. but

every M_{κ_δ} -u.f. on δ is in M_{κ_δ} .

so $\kappa_\delta \in M_{\kappa_\delta} \not\subseteq$.

def. Supp. M is a m.w. model, γ is a cardinal, and γ' is a M -cardinal.

M has the (γ, γ') covering property iff every $A \subset M$, $\bar{A} \leq \gamma$ can be covered by

a set $A' \in M$ s.t. $|A'|^M \leq \gamma'$.

thm. (ketonen) supp. γ is reg., $j: V \rightarrow M$ is a ultrapower. TFAE.

(1) M has the (γ, γ') covering property.

(2) $\text{cf}^M(\text{sup } j''\gamma) < \gamma'$.

proposi. if κ_{u_δ} is δ -strongly compact, then for any $\gamma < \delta$, $(M_{u_\delta})^\gamma \subset M_{u_\delta}$.

proof: suff. to show $j_{u_\delta}''\gamma \in M_{u_\delta}$.

assume γ is regular.

consider

supp. $\text{cf}^{M_{u_\delta}}(\text{sup } j_{u_\delta}''\gamma) < \delta$.

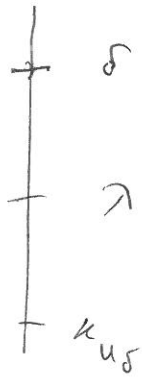
by ketonen, have $A' \in M_{u_\delta}$ s.t.

$j_{u_\delta}''\gamma \subset A'$, $|A'|^{M_{u_\delta}} < \delta$.

by a previous proposition, $\mathcal{P}(|A'|^{M_{u_\delta}}) \subset$

M_{u_δ} . $\Rightarrow \mathcal{P}(A') \subset M_{u_\delta}$. \dashv

thm. (UA) supp. δ is a succ. cardinal, or an inacc. cardinal, then κ_{u_δ} is δ -strongly compact.



thm. (UA) if δ is a successor, then

$$(M_{U\delta})^\delta \subset M_{U\delta}.$$

if δ is inaccessible, $(M_{U\delta})^{<\delta} \subset M_{U\delta}$ +

$M_{U\delta}$ has (δ, δ) -covering.

cor. (UA) the lean highly compact is supercompact.

pf. : call it κ . fix succ. cardinal $\delta \geq \kappa$.

consider U_δ . since U_δ witnesses $\kappa_{U\delta}$ is

δ -supercompact, we need to know that $\kappa_{U\delta} \leq \kappa$.

th. (ketonen) if U is a zero order on δ and every regular cardinal in the interval

$[\nu, \delta]$ carries a countably complete u.f.,

then M_U has the $(\delta, < j_U(\nu))$ -covering

property. $\Rightarrow \text{crit}(U) \leq \nu$.

since every regular cardinal in $[\kappa, \delta]$ carries an κ -complete u.f., can conclude

$$\kappa_{\kappa\delta} \leq \kappa.$$

def. A u.f. u is γ -zero order if

(0) u is κ -complete

(1) In M_u , $\sup j_u''\delta$ carries a $j_u(\nu)$ complete ultra

(2) $[id]_u = \sup j_u''\delta$.

def. if u, w are cthy. complete u.f.,

$u \leq_{RF} w$ iff there is an internal

ultrapower $k: M_u \rightarrow M_w$ s.t. $k \circ j_u = j_w$.

an u.f. w is irreducible if for all

$u \leq_{RF} w$, either $u \equiv w$, or u is

principal.

an u.f. w is $< \lambda$ -irreducible if f.a.

$\gamma < \lambda$, f.a. u on γ , if

$u \leq_{RF} w$, then u is principal.

the 2nd strongly compact.

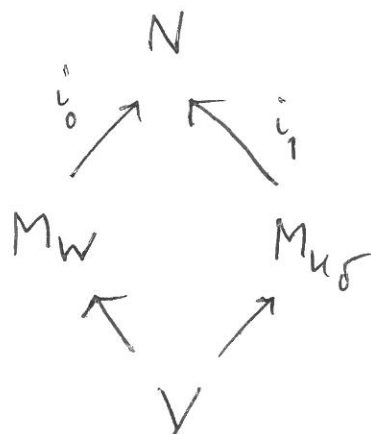
thm. (UA) $\text{supp. } \delta$ is a succ. cardinal,
 U_δ exists, and W is $< \delta$ -irreducible.
 then $(M_W)^\delta \subset M_W$.

cor. (UA) if U is irreducible (strongly) unf.
 on $\lambda + \lambda$ is a successor or a strong limit
 singular, then U is λ -supercompact.

prop. $\text{supp. } \kappa$ is the least cardinal above
 λ that is δ -strongly compact (δ a reg.
 cardinal), then there is an irreducible $\text{unf. } U$
 on δ s.t. $\kappa_U = \kappa$.

thm. (UA) if W is $< \delta$ irreducible, δ is a
 succ. and U_δ exists, then W is
 δ -supercompact.

proof:



want: $\text{cn't}(i_1) > \delta$.
 given this,
 $OR^\delta \subset N \subset M_W$,
 so W is
 δ -supercompact.

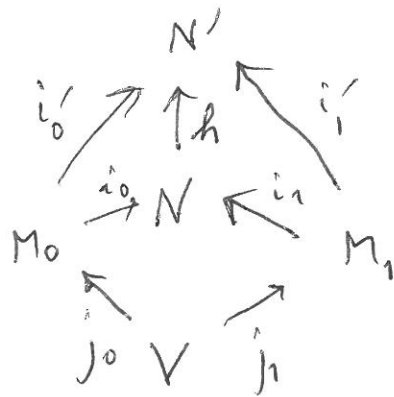
def. if j_0, j_1 are ultrapowers of V ,

$j_0: V \rightarrow M_0, j_1: V \rightarrow M_1$, then a pair

$(i_0, i_1), i_0: M_0 \rightarrow N, i_1: M_1 \rightarrow N$

is a can. comparison of (j_0, j_1) if f.a.

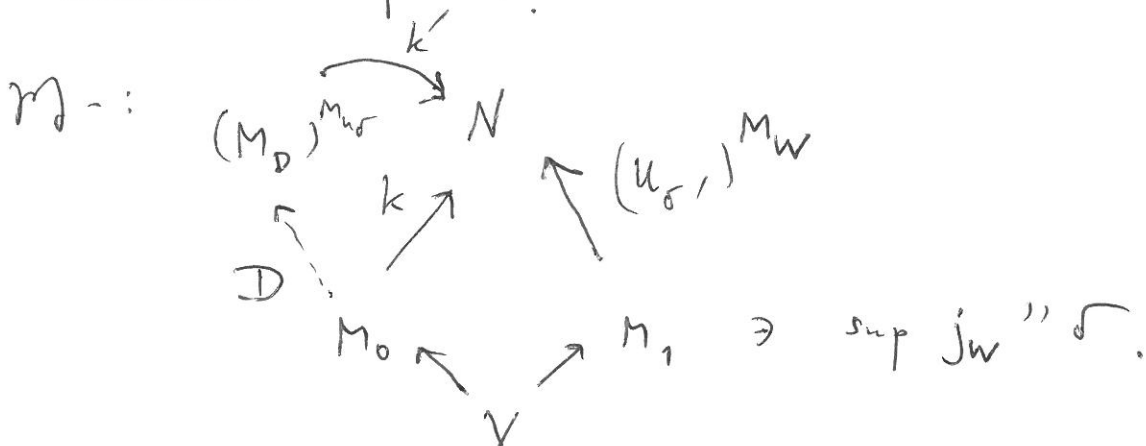
comparisons (i'_0, i'_1) of (j_0, j_1) to N'



then is $h: N \rightarrow N'$ an internal ultrapower

s.t. $i'_0 = h \circ i_0, i'_1 = h \circ i_1$.

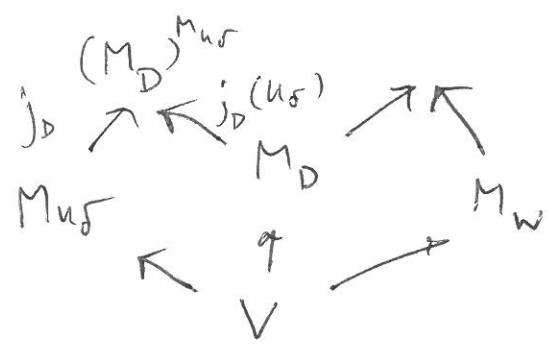
th. (UA) any pair of ultrapowers admits a canonical comparison.



Let $\delta' = \text{cf}^{M_W}(\text{sup } j_W''\delta)$

in N , $\text{sup } j_W^{M_W}''\delta'$ carries ~~no~~ no cty. complete u.f.

fact. there is an ultrafilter \mathcal{D} on some $\gamma < \delta$ and an internal ultrapower $k: (M_D)^{M_{U\delta}} \rightarrow N$ s.t. $k' \circ j_{\mathcal{D}} = k$.



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def. if M, N are two models, $j: M \rightarrow N$
el. embedding, then

(1) j is an ultrapower embedding if $\exists M$ -u.f.
 U s.t. $j = j_U^M$.

(2) j is internal if U can be chosen in M .

def. sup. $j_0: V \rightarrow M_0, j_1: V \rightarrow M_1$ are ultrapowers.

* say $(j_0, j_1): (M_0, M_1) \rightarrow N$ is a comparison
of (i_0, i_1) if

(1) $j_0: M_0 \rightarrow N, j_1: M_1 \rightarrow N$ are internal
ultrapowers

(2) $j_0 \circ i_0 = j_1 \circ i_1$.

ultrapower axiom. (UA) any pair of ultrapowers admits
comparison.

main thm. (UA) sup. ~~iff~~ κ is a cardinal. TFAE.

(1) κ is strongly compact.

(2) κ is supercompact or a measurable limit
of supercompacts.

def. if U, W are u.f.'s, then $U \leq_{RF} W$
 iff there is an isomorphism $k: M_U \rightarrow M_W$ s.t.
 $k \circ j_U = j_W$.

an u.f. W is irreducible if f.a. $U \leq_{RF} W$, either
 U is principal or $U \equiv W$.
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 same u.powers emb.

λ a cardinal, W is $< \lambda$ -irreducible if f.a.
 U on $\gamma < \lambda$, if $U \leq_{RF} W$, then U is principal.

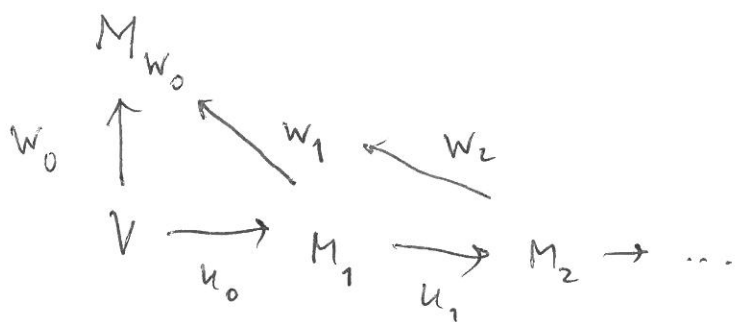
irreducibility th. (UA) syp. δ is a succ. cardinal
 that carries a uniform u.f. syp. W is a u.f.
 TFAE :

- (1) W is $< \delta$ -irreducible.
- (2) W is δ -supercompact.

plan. (1) \Rightarrow main th.

(2) sketch \Rightarrow main th.

(1) : lem (UA) if W_0 is a u.f. $\leq_{RF} \uparrow W$
 has the ascending chain condition.



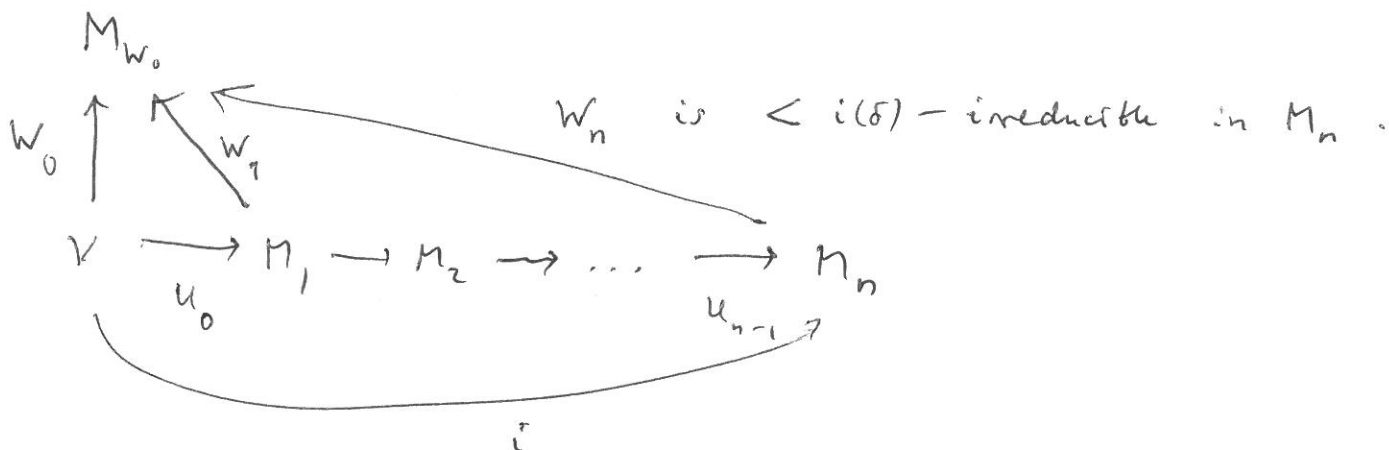
proof: (ired. \Rightarrow main)

sup. δ is a succ., κ δ -dghly syncopar. we can show that κ is δ -syncopar.

sup. W_0 is κ -complete.

$$cf^{M_{W_0}}(\sup j_{W_0}'' \delta) < j_{W_0}(\kappa).$$

if W_1 is not $< j_{u_0}(\delta)$ -irreducible.



by ired. th., W_n when κ_{W_n} is $j(\delta)$ -syncopar in M_n .

clm. $\kappa_{W_n} \in [\kappa, j(a)]$.

pf. $\therefore \kappa_{W_n} \geq \kappa$, since $(j_{W_n})^{M_n} \circ i = j_{W_0}$ and

W_0 has $\kappa_{W_0} = \kappa$.

we'll show $(j_{W_n})^{M_n}(i(a)) > i(\delta)$, so $\kappa_{W_n} \leq i(a)$.

$$(j_{W_n})^{M_n}(i(a)) = j_{W_0}(a).$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(j_{W_n})^{M_n}(i(a)) &= j_{W_0}(a) > \text{cf}^{M_{W_0}}(\text{sup } j_{W_0} \text{ " } \delta) \\
&= \text{cf}^{M_{W_0}}(\text{sup } (j_{W_n})^{M_n} \circ i \text{ " } \delta) \\
&= \text{cf}^{M_{W_0}}(\text{sup } (j_{W_n})^{M_n} \text{ " } i(\delta)) \\
&\leq \text{cf}^{M_n}(\text{sup } (j_{W_n})^{M_n} \text{ " } i(\delta)) = i(\delta).
\end{aligned}$$

Case 1. $\kappa_{W_n} = j(a)$

by alt., this $\frac{1}{3} \cdot i(a)$ is $i(\delta)$ -supercard in

M_n , κ is δ -supercard.

Case 2. $\kappa_{W_n} \in [\kappa, i(a))$.

if $\alpha < \kappa$, then $i(\alpha) = \alpha < \kappa$, so in M_n , there is a supercard in $(i(\alpha), i(a))$, so \exists one in (α, κ) .

(2) invred. thm.

• canonical comparison.

def. if $j_0: V \rightarrow M_0$, $j_1: V \rightarrow M_1$ are ultrapowers

and $(i_0, i_1): (M_0, M_1) \rightarrow N$ is a comparison,

then (i_0, i_1) is canonical if f.a. $(i'_0, i'_1): (M_0, M_1) \rightarrow N'$

there is an internal $h: N \rightarrow N'$ s.t.

$$h \circ i_0 = i'_0, \quad h \circ i_1 = i'_1.$$

proposition (UA) any pair of ultrapowers of V has a can. comparison.

lem. (UA). supp. $(i_0, i_1): (M_0, M_1) \rightarrow N$ is a comparison of $j_0: V \rightarrow M_0$, $j_1: V \rightarrow M_1$. TFAE.

(1) (i_0, i_1) is canonical.

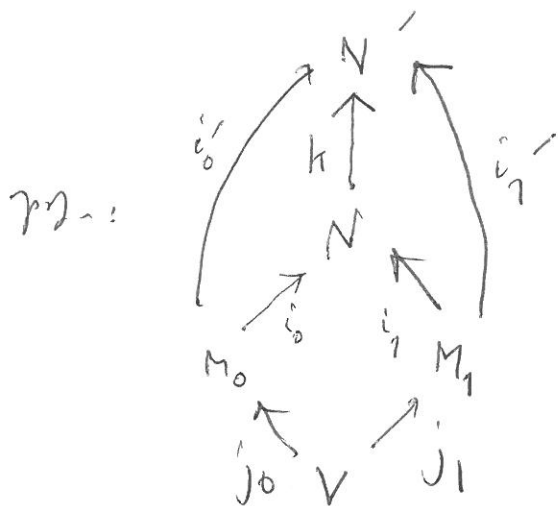
(2) $N = \text{Hull}^N (i_0 \text{ " } M_0 \cup i_1 \text{ " } M_1)$.

lem. hyp. $(i_0, i_1): (M_0, M_1) \rightarrow N$ is a can. comparison of (j_0, j_1) . hyp. $h: N \rightarrow N'$ is a u.p. embedding.

TFAE.

(1) h is internal

(2) h is dythm on M_0 and on M_1 .



$$i'_0 = k \circ i_0, \quad i'_1 = k \circ i_1.$$

$$(i'_0, i'_1): (M_0, M_1) \rightarrow N'$$

is a comparison, so

$$\exists \text{ internal } h: N \rightarrow N'$$

$$\text{s.t. } h \circ i_0 = i'_0, \quad h \circ i_1 = i'_1.$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} h \upharpoonright i_0 " M_0 &= k \upharpoonright i_0 " M_0 \\ h \upharpoonright i_1 " M_1 &= k \upharpoonright i_1 " M_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow h = k =$$

k internal to \$N\$.

def. \$\delta\$ is a reg. cardinal. \$U_\delta\$ is the unique up to iso. s.t. for any ultrapower \$j: V \to M\$ in \$\text{sup } j " \delta\$ carries no ultra u.f., then

$$k: M_{U_\delta} \rightarrow M \text{ internal s.t. } k \circ j_{U_\delta} = j +$$

$$k(\text{sup } j_{U_\delta} " \delta) = \text{sup } j " \delta.$$

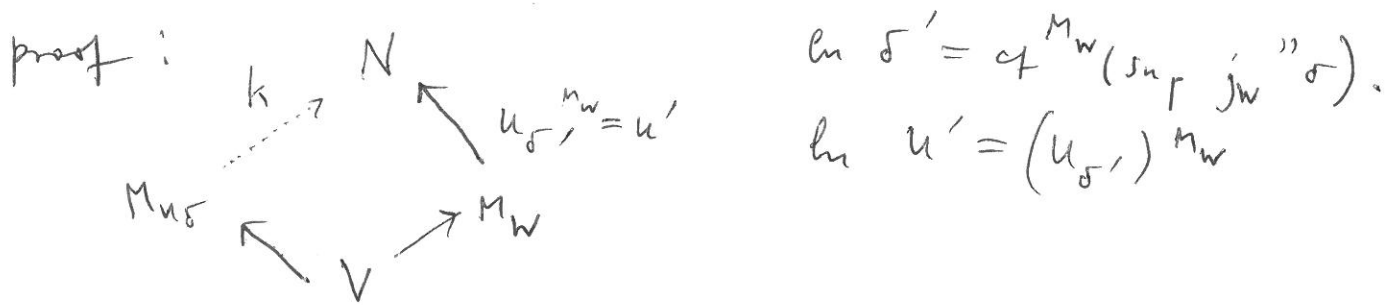
th. (UA) if \$\delta\$ is a succ. cardinal, then

$$\text{OR } \delta \subset M_{U_\delta}.$$

lea. (UA) for any reg. \$\delta\$, \$U_\delta\$ is irreducible.

ired. th. (UA) sup. δ is a succ. cardinal that carries a u.f. and W is a u.f. TFAE.

- ① W is $< \delta$ irreducible.
- ② W is δ -supercompact.



cl, $\sup j_{u'} \circ j_W'' \delta$ carries no u.f. in N .

$$\text{pr. } \text{cf}^N(\sup j_{u'} \circ j_W'' \delta) = \text{cf}^N(\sup j_{u'}^{M_{W_0}}'' \delta')$$

in N , $\sup j_{u'}'' \delta'$ carries no u.f. since $u' = (u_{\delta'})^{M_W}$. but then $\text{cf}^N(\sup j_{u'}'' \delta')$ carries no u.f. so $\sup j_{u'} \circ j_W'' \delta$ carries no u.f. \square

therefore by universal property of u_δ , $\exists k: M_{u_\delta} \rightarrow N$
 s.t. $k \circ j_{u_\delta} = j_{u'} \circ j_W$.

key fact. there is an $u \in \mathcal{D}$ on $j < \delta$
and an internal ultrapower $k': (M_\sigma)^{M_{u\delta}} \rightarrow N$

s.t. $k = k' \circ j_\sigma^{M_{u\delta}} + \text{crit}(k') > \delta$.

goal. $\text{crit}(k) > \delta$.

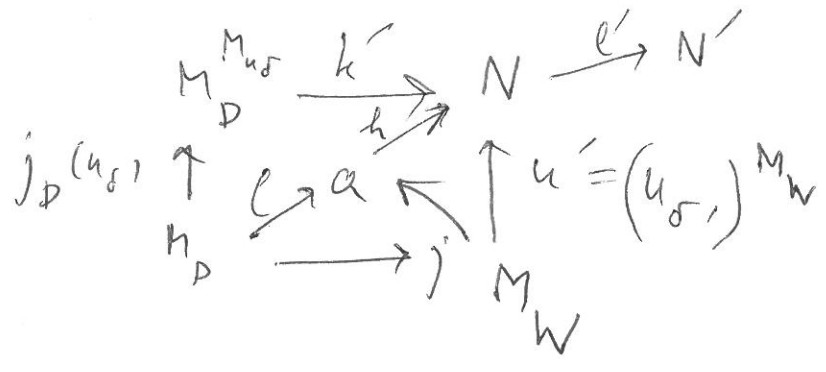
$OR^\delta = OR^\delta \cap M_{u\delta} \subset N \subset M_W$.

new goal: \mathcal{D} is principal.

then $k = k'$, so $\text{crit}(k) > \delta$.

suff. to see $\mathcal{D} \leq_{RF} W$, since W is $< \delta$ -irred.

note: $(M_D)^{M_{u\delta}} = j_D(M_{u\delta}) = M_{j_D(u_\delta)}^{M_D}$.



if $j = \text{id}$, then \checkmark

new goal: $h \neq \text{id}$.

assume $h = \text{id}$.

key fact. $u' = j_D(u_\delta)$.

in past., $\delta' = j_D(\delta)$
 $\mathcal{P}(\delta') \cap M_W = \mathcal{P}(j_D(\delta)) \cap M_D$.

Let $\ell: N \rightarrow N'$ be an u.p. of N by
 $u' = j_D(u_\delta)$. So ℓ' is def. on M_D
 and M_W .

$$\ell \Gamma_{OR} = j_{u'}^{M_W} \Gamma_{OR} = j_D(j_{u_\delta}) \Gamma_{OR}$$

It follows that $j_D(u_\delta)$ is principal. but as
~~assd~~ \mathbb{F} carries a w.p.u.f., so u_δ is
 not principal. \neg