

Cantor-Bendixson Spectra of ω -Stable Theories

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1 Introduction In the following, we shall mean by theory a first-order, countable, complete, quantifier-eliminable theory.

The idea of classifying ω -stable theories by the analysis of the Boolean algebras of the definable subsets of their countable models arises from [3] and is based on the remark that a theory T is ω -stable if and only if, for every countable model M of T , the Boolean algebra $B(M)$ of the definable subsets of M is superatomic. In fact, it is well-known that, for every Boolean algebra B , an ascending chain $\{I_\nu(B) : \nu \text{ ordinal}\}$ of ideals of B can be defined in this way:

1. $I_0(B) = \{0\}$
2. $I_1(B)$ is the ideal of finite elements of B
3. for every ordinal ν , $I_{\nu+1}(B)$ is the preimage in B of $I_1(B/I_{\nu}(B))$ in the canonical homomorphism of B onto $B/I_{\nu}(B)$
4. for every limit ordinal λ , $I_\lambda(B) = \bigcup_{\nu < \lambda} I_\nu(B)$.

In particular, when B is superatomic, there is an ordinal μ such that $I_\mu(B) = B$; let μ be the least ordinal with this property, then μ is a successor ordinal, and we may define:

$$\alpha_B = \text{predecessor of } \mu = \text{least ordinal } \nu \text{ such that } I_\nu(B) \neq B$$

$$d_B = \text{number of atoms in } B/I_{\alpha_B}(B).$$

We have the following:

- (i) $\alpha_B < \omega_1$ if B is countable
- (ii) $d_B < \omega$
- (iii) for every ordered pair (α, d) with $1 \leq \alpha < \omega_1$, $1 \leq d < \omega$, there is a countable superatomic Boolean algebra B such that $(\alpha, d) = (\alpha_B, d_B)$

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- (iv) for every countable superatomic Boolean algebras $B_1, B_2, B_1 \cong B_2$ if and only if $(\alpha_{B_1}, d_{B_1}) = (\alpha_{B_2}, d_{B_2})$.

(See [2].)

Then, for every ω -stable theory T and for every countable model M of T , we set $(\alpha_M, d_M) = (\alpha_{B(M)}, d_{B(M)})$, and we say that:

- α_M is the Cantor-Bendixson rank (CB-rank) of M
- d_M is the Cantor-Bendixson degree (CB-degree) of M
- (α_M, d_M) is the Cantor-Bendixson type (CB-type) of M .

We also define the Cantor-Bendixson spectrum of T (CB-Spec T) in the following way

$$\text{CB-Spec } T = \{(\alpha_M, d_M) : M \models T, |M| = \aleph_0\}.$$

CB-Spec T can be ordered lexicographically, and has a minimal pair corresponding to the prime model M_0 of T , and a maximal pair corresponding to the countable saturated model \bar{M} of T . Moreover, $\alpha_{\bar{M}}$ coincides with the Morley rank α_T of T , and $d_{\bar{M}}$ coincides with the Morley degree d_T of T (see [1]). The analysis of CB-Spec T gives a measure of complexity of T : for instance, $|\text{CB-Spec } T| = 1$ means T is pseudo- \aleph_0 -categorical [4], CB-Spec $T = \{(1, 1)\}$ means T is strongly minimal.

Then we can classify ω -stable theories by the following equivalence relation \sim : if T_1, T_2 are ω -stable theories, we set $T_1 \sim T_2$ if and only if CB-Spec $T_1 = \text{CB-Spec } T_2$. Every \sim -class defines a subset of $(\omega_1 - \{0\}) \times (\omega - \{0\})$. Put for simplicity $\omega_1^* = \omega_1 - \{0\}$, $\omega^* = \omega - \{0\}$ and, for $X \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$, define X a CB-set (Canton-Bendixson set) if there is an ω -stable theory T such that $X = \text{CB-Spec } T$. Our problem is to study the characterization of CB-sets. Of course, there are several subsets X of $\omega_1^* \times \omega^*$ which are not CB-sets; some restrictions are already provided by Lemmas 1.1 and 1.2 below, but stronger conditions must be satisfied by X when, for instance, $(1, 1) \in X$ (see [5]). This paper is a natural complement of [5]; in fact, our main goal is to provide a lot of general examples of CB-sets. More precisely, the program of this work is the following: Section 2 (“the bricks”) is devoted to some basic examples of CB-sets; in Section 3 (“the project”) we shall explain a simple project for combining these examples to construct more complicated CB-sets; this “construction” will be made in Section 4.

These results, together with those of [5], are a first step to a complete classification of the subsets $X \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$ which are CB-sets.

Although this general problem seems to be very difficult, we may conjecture that, if the minimal rank of X is $\alpha \geq 3$, then some simple conditions should let X be a CB-set; but if the minimal rank is $\alpha < 3$, then deeper conditions must be satisfied by X . However, this will be the matter of some forthcoming notes.

Lemma 1.1 *Let $X \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$ be a CB-set. Then X is countable and admits a maximal element.*

Proof: See the previous remarks.

Lemma 1.2 *If $(1, d) \in \text{CB-Spec } T$ for an ω -stable theory T , then $d_T \leq d$.*

Proof: Let $M \models T$, $|M| = \aleph_0$, $(\alpha_M, d_M) = (1, d)$. By the finite equivalence relation theorem [6], there is a 0-definable equivalence relation E on M admitting a finite number of equivalence classes, and, in particular, exactly d_T classes E_1, \dots, E_{d_T} with Morley rank α_T . It follows that, for every $i = 1, \dots, d_T$, E_i is an infinite definable subset of M , so $B(M)/_{I_1(B(M))}$ has at least d_T atoms. Consequently, $d \geq d_T$.

Remark: It is not generally true that, if $(\alpha, d) \in \text{CB-Spec } T$ for $\alpha > 1$, then $d_T \leq d$. Counterexamples are implicit in the following.

A remark which will be useful is the following:

Lemma 1.3 *If $(\alpha, d) \in \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$, $\{(\alpha, d)\}$ is a CB-set.*

Proof: See [4]: it suffices to consider the pseudo- \aleph_0 -categorical ω -stable theory T such that, for every countable $M \models T$, $(\alpha_M, d_M) = (\alpha, d)$.

2 The bricks

2.1 The structures $M(\alpha, i)$ For all $\alpha \in \omega_1^*$, $i \in \omega^*$, we construct a structure $M(\alpha, i)$, admitting an equivalence relation E_ν for every ν with $1 \leq \nu < \alpha$, in the following way:

- $M(1, i)$: i elements, no structure
- $M(\alpha + 1, i)$: i classes of the new equivalence relation E_α , every class isomorphic to $M(\alpha, i)$
- $M(\delta, i)$ for δ limit: fix a strictly increasing sequence $(\delta_n : n \in \omega)$ such that $\lim_n \delta_n = \delta$, set
 - $M(\delta, i) = M(\delta_i, i)$
 - $E_\nu = (M(\delta, i))^2$ for every ν with $\delta_i \leq \nu < \delta$.

Some examples will explain the previous definitions.

- $i = 1$ $M(\alpha, 1)$

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- $i = 2$ $M(1, 2)$

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- $M(2, 2)$

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 E_1
- $M(3, 2)$

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 E_1
 E_2
- $M(\omega, 2)$ (put $\omega = \lim_n n$)

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 E_1 $(E_n = (M(\omega, 2))^2$
for $n \geq 2$)
- $i = 3$ $M(1, 3)$

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 E_1
- $M(3, 3)$

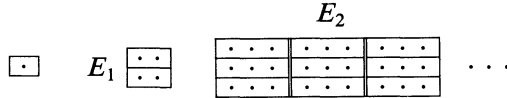
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 E_1
 E_2
- $M(\omega, 3) = M(3, 3)$ ($E_n = (M(\omega, 3))^2$ for $n \geq 3$).

2.2 The structures $M_1(\delta)$ (δ limit) For all limit ordinals δ , we consider the following structure $M_1(\delta)$:

- domain: $\dot{\bigcup}_{n \in \omega^*} M(\delta, n)$
- an equivalence relation E_ν for every ν with $1 \leq \nu < \delta$.

Example: $M_1(\omega) = \dot{\bigcup}_{n \in \omega^*} M(\omega, n) = \dot{\bigcup}_{n \geq 1} M(n, n)$



Proposition For every limit ordinal δ , $M_1(\delta)$ is ω -stable and $CB\text{-Spec } Th(M_1(\delta)) = \{(1, 1), (\delta, 1)\}$.

Proof: It is obvious that $M_1(\delta)$ has $CB\text{-type } (1, 1)$. Let M be a countable model of $Th(M_1(\delta))$, $M \cong M_1(\delta)$, $a \in M - M_1(\delta)$, then:

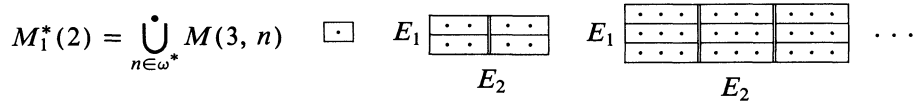
- $a|_{E_1}$ is infinite,
- for every μ, ν with $1 \leq \mu < \nu < \delta$, $a|_{E_\nu}$ contains infinitely many distinct E_μ -subclasses.

It follows that M has CB type $(\delta, 1)$.

2.3 The structures $M_1^*(\alpha)$ For all ordinals α , we consider the following structure $M_1^*(\alpha)$:

- domain $\dot{\bigcup}_{n \in \omega^*} M(\alpha + 1, n)$
- equivalence relations $E_\nu (1 \leq \nu \leq \alpha)$.

Examples:



Proposition For every ordinal α , $M_1^*(\alpha)$ is ω -stable and $CB\text{-Spec } Th(M_1^*(\alpha)) = \{(1, 1)\} \cup \{(\alpha, n) : n \in \omega^*\} \cup \{(\alpha + 1, 1)\}$.

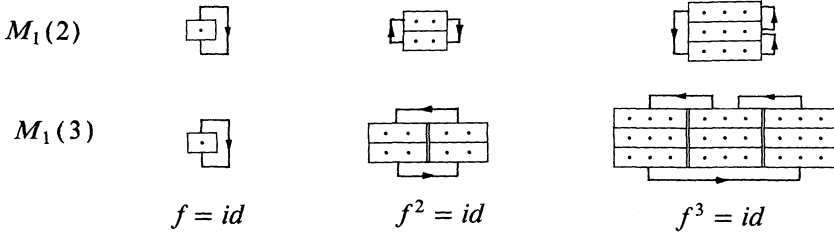
Proof: Obviously $M_1^*(\alpha)$ has $CB\text{-type } (1, 1)$. Let M be a countable model of $Th(M_1^*(\alpha))$, $M \cong M_1^*(\alpha)$, $a \in M - M_1^*(\alpha)$, then:

- $a|_{E_1}$ is infinite
- for every μ, ν such that $1 \leq \mu < \nu \leq \alpha$, $a|_{E_\nu}$ contains infinitely many disjoint E_μ -subclasses.

It follows that M has CB-type:

- (α, n) if M admits exactly n infinite E_α -classes
- $(\alpha + 1, 1)$ if M admits infinitely many infinite E_α -classes.

2.4 The structures $M_1(\alpha + 1)$ For all ordinals α , add to the previous structure $M_1^*(\alpha)$ an automorphism f , as the following examples describe:



We have:

Proposition For every ordinal α , $M_1(\alpha + 1)$ is ω -stable and CB-Spec $Th(M_1(\alpha + 1)) = \{(1, 1), (\alpha + 1, 1)\}$.

Proof: It follows from 2.3 and the definition of f .

We are going now to construct more complicated examples.

2.5 The structure P_0 First, we consider a structure P_0 having domain $\{c_{i,j} : 1 \leq j \leq i < \omega\}$ and a unary function s such that

$$s(c_{i,j}) = \begin{cases} c_{i,j+1} & \text{if } j < i, \\ c_{i,1} & \text{if } j = i. \end{cases}$$

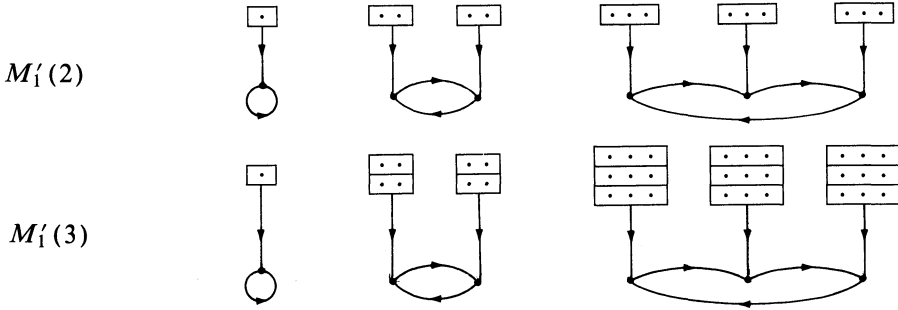
Graphically,



It is easy to see that $Th(P_0)$ is strongly minimal. Notice that P_0 is the prime model of $Th(P_0)$.

2.6 The structures $M'_i(\alpha + 1)$ ($\alpha \geq 1$) For every ordinal $\alpha \geq 1$, let $M'_i(\alpha + 1)$ be the disjoint union of $M_1^*(\alpha)$ and P_0 , together with a function $\pi: M_1^*(\alpha) \rightarrow P_0$ such that, for every $1 \leq j \leq n < \omega$, $\pi^{-1}(c_{n,j})$ is an E_α -class of $M(\alpha + 1, n)$. The language of this structure will also have predicates Q, P for $M_1^*(\alpha), P_0$, respectively, and constants for all elements. Note that $M'_i(\alpha + 1)$ is essentially just $M_1(\alpha + 1) \cup M_1(\alpha + 1)/E_\alpha$, together with a P_0 -structure on the quotient set $M_1(\alpha + 1)/E_\alpha$.

Examples:



It is easy to see that $Th(M'_1(\alpha + 1))$ is ω -stable and that $M'_1(\alpha + 1)$ has CB-type $(1, 2)$, while, if M is a countable model of $Th(M'_1(\alpha + 1))$ and $M \cong M'_1(\alpha + 1)$, then M has CB-type $(\alpha + 1, 1)$. Then we have:

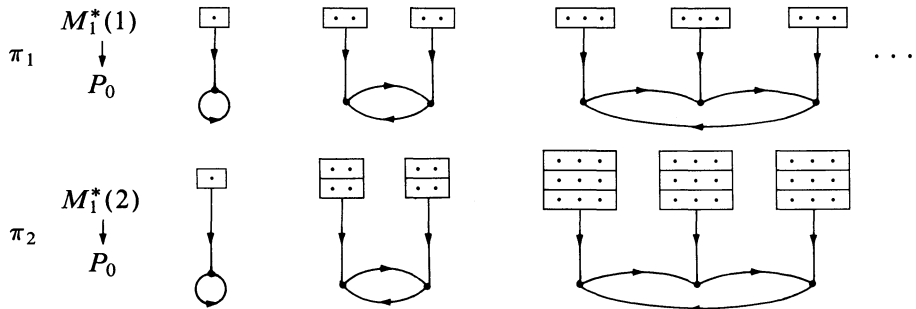
Proposition For every $\alpha \geq 1$, $M'_1(\alpha + 1)$ is ω -stable and CB-Spec $Th(M'_1(\alpha + 1)) = \{(1, 2), (\alpha + 1, 1)\}$.

2.7 The structures $M'_1(\delta)$ (δ limit) Let δ be a limit ordinal. Fix a strictly increasing sequence $(\delta_n: n \in \omega)$ such that $\delta = \lim_n \delta_n$, and let $M'_1(\delta)$ be the $\bigcup_{n \in \omega} M'_1(\delta_n + 1)$, where we identify the P_0 's of each $M'_1(\delta_n + 1)$. The language of this structure will also have

- a predicate P for P_0
- for every n , a predicate Q_n for $M'_1(\delta_n)$ (the Q -part of $M'_1(\delta_n + 1)$)
- for every n , a function symbol π_n for the projection map of $M'_1(\delta_n)$ onto P_0

(for each n , distinguish by symbols $E_{n,\nu}$, $1 \leq \nu \leq \delta_n$, the equivalence relations on $M'_1(\delta_n)$).

Example: $M'_1(\omega)$, $\omega = \lim_n$. We have



It is easy to see:

Proposition For every limit ordinal δ , $M'_1(\delta)$ is ω -stable and CB-Spec $Th(M'_1(\delta)) = \{(2, 1), (\delta, 1)\}$.

In fact, CB-type $M'_1(\delta) = (2, 1)$, while, if M is a countable model of $Th(M'_1(\delta))$ and $M \cong M'_1(\delta)$, then M has CB-type $(\delta, 1)$.

2.8 The structures $M(\alpha)$ ($\alpha \geq 1$) Finally, let $M(\alpha)$ be the structure whose domain is $P_{01} \dot{\cup} P_{02} \dot{\cup} Q(\alpha)$ where $P_{01}, P_{02} \approx P_0$ and two projection maps $\pi_1: Q(\alpha) \rightarrow P_{01}, \pi_2: Q(\alpha) \rightarrow P_{02}$ are given such that, when $c_{i,j}^1 \in P_{01}$ and $c_{h,k}^2 \in P_{02}$, then

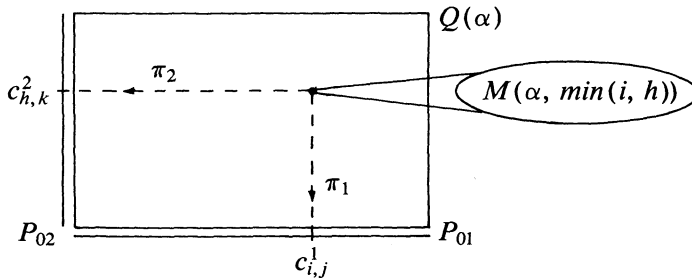
$$\pi_1^{-1}(c_{i,j}^1) \cap \pi_2^{-1}(c_{h,k}^2) = M(\alpha, \min(i, h)).$$

The language for this structure will have

- relation symbols P_1, P_2, Q for $P_{01}, P_{02}, Q(\alpha)$, respectively
- function symbols for π_1, π_2
- constants for all the elements of $M(\alpha)$,

together with the symbols for P_{0j} ($j = 1, 2$, see 2.5) and for the equivalence relations E_ν ($1 \leq \nu \leq \alpha$).

Graphically



Of course $M(\alpha)$ is the prime model of $Th(M(\alpha))$. Furthermore it is straightforward to see that, for any countable model M of $Th(M(\alpha))$,

- if $P_{01} = P_1^M$ or $P_{02} = P_2^M$ (in particular, if $M = M(\alpha)$), then M has CB-type $(2, 1)$,
- if $P_{01} \neq P_1^M$ and $P_{02} \neq P_2^M$, then M has CB-type $(\alpha + 2, 1)$.

Then we have

Proposition For every ordinal $\alpha \geq 1$, $M(\alpha)$ is ω -stable and CB-Spec $Th(M(\alpha)) = \{(2, 1), (\alpha + 2, 1)\}$.

We conclude Section 2 recalling that the following are CB-sets (see 2.1-3):

- $\{(1, 1), (\alpha, 1)\}$ for every ordinal $\alpha \geq 1$
- $\{(1, 1)\} \cup \{(\alpha, n) : n \in \omega^*\} \cup \{(\alpha + 1, 1)\}$ for every ordinal $\alpha \geq 1$.

3 The project We propose here a simple project to construct new CB-sets. Let $\{T_i : i \in I\}$ be a countable family of ω -stable theories. We define a theory

$$T = \dot{\bigcup}_{i \in I} T_i \text{ in this way:}$$

- $L(T) = \dot{\bigcup}_{i \in I} L(T_i) \dot{\cup} \{U_i : i \in I\}$ where, for every $i \in I$, U_i is a 1-ary relation symbol
- $M \models T$ if and only if $M = \dot{\bigcup}_{i \in I} M_i \dot{\cup} M_\infty$ where $M_i = U_i^M$ is a model of T_i for every $i \in I$, while $M_\infty = \emptyset$ if I is finite, $M_\infty = M - \dot{\bigcup}_{i \in I} M_i$.

T is ω -stable. Furthermore, CB-Spec T can be easily determined because, for every countable model M of T , the algebra $B(M)$ is isomorphic to the weak direct product of the Boolean algebras $B(M_i)$ ($i \in I$),

$$B(M) \cong \prod_{i \in I} B(M_i)$$

(see [2]).

As an application, suppose I finite, $I = \{1, \dots, d\}$, $T_1 = \dots = T_d$. Consider the theory $T = \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq d} T_i$ defined as above, add to $L(T)$ new 1-ary functional symbols $h_{i,j}$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq d$ and in the enlarged language get a new theory T' adding to T axioms stating that M is a model of T' if and only if $M = \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq d} M_i$, where $M_1, \dots, M_d \models T_1$ and, for every i, j with $1 \leq i, j \leq d$, $h_{i,j}$ is an isomorphism of M_i onto M_j , $h_{i,i} = id$, $h_{j,i} = h_{i,j}^{-1}$, $h_{i,j} \cdot h_{k,i} = h_{k,j}$. (We set for simplicity in this case $M = dM_1$.) T' is an ω -stable theory. Looking at the examples in Section 1, we put:

- $M_d(\alpha) = dM_1(\alpha)$: so $\text{CB-Spec } Th(M_d(\alpha)) = \{(1, d), (\alpha, d)\}$
- $M'_d(\alpha + 1) = dM'_1(\alpha + 1)$: $\text{CB-Spec } Th(M'_d(\alpha + 1)) = \{(1, 2d), (\alpha + 1, d)\}$
- $M'_d(\delta) = dM'_1(\delta)$ [δ a limit ordinal]: $\text{CB-Spec } Th(M'_d(\delta)) = \{(2, d), (\delta, d)\}$
- $M_d^*(\alpha) = dM_1^*(\alpha)$: so, $\text{CB-Spec } Th(M_d^*(\alpha)) = \{(1, d)\} \cup \{(\alpha, nd) : n \in \omega^*\} \cup \{(\alpha + 1, d)\}$.

We will also denote by $M_d^1(\alpha)$ a countable ω -stable pseudo- \aleph_0 -categorical structure whose theory has got CB spectrum $\{(\alpha, d)\}$ (see Lemma 1.3).

4 Some constructions Recall $\omega^* = \omega - \{0\}$, $\omega_1^* = \omega_1 - \{0\}$. If $X \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$, we shall set:

- $X(\alpha) = \{d \in \omega^* : (\alpha, d) \in X\}$ for every $\alpha \in \omega_1^*$
- $X^* = \{\alpha \in \omega_1^* : X(\alpha) \neq \emptyset\}$.

We shall also use the following abbreviation: for α_i , α ordinals $\alpha_i \uparrow \alpha$ if and only if $\{\alpha_i : i \in N\}$ is a strictly increasing sequence such that $\lim_i \alpha_i = \alpha$.

Our main results are Theorems 4-6,7 and concern the sets X such that $\min X^* \geq 3$.

We show now some results related to the case: $X(2) \neq \emptyset$.

Theorem 4.1 Let $X \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$ be an infinite set such that:

- (a) if $\alpha \in X^*$, $\alpha \geq 2$
- (b) for every $\alpha \in \omega_1^*$, $|X(\alpha)| \leq 1$
- (c) if $\alpha_i \uparrow \alpha$ and $\alpha_i \in X^*$ for every $i \in N$, then $(\alpha, 1) \in X$.

Then X is a CB-set.

Example 1: For every λ such that $\omega \leq \lambda < \omega_1$, $\{(\alpha, 1) : 2 \leq \alpha \leq \lambda\}$ is a CB-set.

Example 2: $\{(n, n) : n \in \omega, n \geq 2\} \cup \{(\omega, 1)\}$ is a CB-set.

Proof: Letting (α_0, d_0) be the minimal element of X , we define a partition $X = X_0 \dot{\cup} X_1 \dot{\cup} X_2$ of X in the following way:

- $X_0 = \{(\alpha_0, d_0)\}$
- $X_1^* = \{\alpha \in X^*: \exists \beta \in X^*, \beta < \alpha, \beta \cap X^* = \emptyset\}$, $X_1 = \{(\alpha, d) \in X: \alpha \in X_1^*\}$
- $X_2^* = \{\alpha \in X^*: \exists \alpha_i \in X_1^*, \alpha_i \uparrow \alpha\}$, $X_2 = \{(\alpha, 1): \alpha \in X_2^*\}$.

We set $M(X_1) = \dot{\bigcup}_{(\alpha, d) \in X_1} M_d(\alpha)$, and

$$M(X) = \begin{cases} M(X_1) & \text{if } (\alpha_0, d_0) = (2, 1) \\ M(X_1) \dot{\cup} M_{d_0-1}^1(2) & \text{if } \alpha_0 = 2, d_0 > 1 \\ M(X_1) \dot{\cup} M_{d_0}^1(\alpha_0) & \text{if } \alpha_0 > 2. \end{cases}$$

$M(X)$ is ω -stable. We claim that $\text{CB-Spec } Th(M(X)) = X$. For simplicity, we assume $(\alpha_0, d_0) = (2, 1)$. The proof can be easily modified to cover the remaining cases. Notice that the pseudo- \aleph_0 -categorical ω -stable structure $M_{d_0-1}^1(2)$ [$M_{d_0}^1(\alpha_0)$] lets (α_0, d_0) be the minimal pair of $\text{CB-Spec } Th(M(X))$. First we show that, for every $(\bar{\alpha}, \bar{d}) \in X$, there is $M \equiv M(X)$, $|M| = \aleph_0$ such that M has got CB-type $(\bar{\alpha}, \bar{d})$. Notice that we may suppose

$$M = \dot{\bigcup}_{(\alpha, d) \in X_1} M_{\alpha, d}(\dot{\cup} M_\infty)$$

where $M_{\alpha, d} \equiv M_d(\alpha)$, $|M_{\alpha, d}| = \aleph_0$ for every $(\alpha, d) \in X_1$. So we have:

- $(\bar{\alpha}, \bar{d}) = (2, 1)$: for every $(\alpha, d) \in X$, assume that the CB-type of $M_{\alpha, d}$ is $(1, d)$ so M has got CB-type $(2, 1)$
- $(\bar{\alpha}, \bar{d}) \in X_1$: take the following choice of $M_{\alpha, d}$: $M_{\alpha, d}$ has CB-type (α, d) when $(\alpha, d) = (\bar{\alpha}, \bar{d})$, $(1, d)$ otherwise; recall $\bar{\alpha} > \alpha_0 = 2$, so the CB-type of M is $(\bar{\alpha}, \bar{d})$
- $(\bar{\alpha}, \bar{d}) \in X_2$, so $\bar{d} = 1$: let $\{\alpha_i: i \in \mathbf{N}\}$ be a sequence of elements in X_1^* such that $\alpha_i \uparrow \alpha$, assume $M_{\alpha, d}$ has CB-type (α, d) when there is $i \in \mathbf{N}$ such that $\alpha = \alpha_i$, $(1, d)$ otherwise. In this case, the CB-type of M is $(\bar{\alpha}, 1)$.

Conversely, let $M \equiv M(X)$, $|M| = \aleph_0$, we will show that the CB-type of M belongs to X . Define $Y = \{\alpha \in X_1^*: M_{\alpha, d} \text{ has CB-rank } \alpha\}$. We can distinguish the following cases:

- $Y = \emptyset$; then M has CB-type $(2, 1)$
- $Y \neq \emptyset$, there is $\max Y = \alpha$: let $X(\alpha) = d$, then M has CB-type $(\alpha, d) \in X_1$
- $Y \neq \emptyset$, but admits no maximal element: let $\alpha = \sup Y$, then $\alpha \in X_2^*$, $(\alpha, 1) \in X_2$, and we see $(\alpha, 1)$ is the CB-type of M .

The second step is to consider the finite disjoint unions of the theories given in Theorem 4.1. So we get:

Theorem 4.2 *Let $X \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$ be an infinite set, (α_0, d_0) be the minimal element of X , and N be a positive integer. Suppose:*

- (a) *if $\alpha \in X^*$, $\alpha \geq 2$*
- (b) *$X(\alpha_0) = \{d_0\}$, where $d_0 \geq N$ if $\alpha_0 = 2$*

- (c) if $\alpha \in X^* - \{\alpha_0\}$, there are a positive integer $N_\alpha \leq N$, and $d_1^\alpha, \dots, d_{N_\alpha}^\alpha \in X(\alpha)$ (not necessarily distinct) such that $X(\alpha) = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{N_\alpha} \epsilon_i d_i^\alpha : \epsilon_i = 0, 1, \sum_{i=1}^{N_\alpha} \epsilon_i \geq 1 \right\}$
- (d) if $\alpha_i \uparrow \alpha$ and $\alpha_i \in X^*$ for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$, then $N_\alpha = N$, $d_1^\alpha = \dots = d_{N_\alpha}^\alpha = 1$. Then, X is a CB-set.

Example 3: $\{(2, n)\} \cup \{(\alpha, 1), \dots, (\alpha, n) : 3 \leq \alpha \leq \lambda\}$ is a CB-set for every λ such that $\omega \leq \lambda < \omega_1$.

Proof: Notice that, for every $\alpha \in \omega_1^*$, $|X(\alpha)| < 2^N$. As above, we set

$$\begin{aligned} X_0 &= \{(\alpha_0, d_0)\} \\ X_1^* &= \{\alpha \in X^* : \exists \beta < \alpha, \beta \in X^*,]\beta, \alpha[\cap X^* = \emptyset\} \\ X_2^* &= \{\alpha \in X^* : \exists \alpha_i \in X^*, \alpha_i \uparrow \alpha\} \end{aligned}$$

so that $X^* = X_0^* \cup X_1^* \cup X_2^*$. We define now:

- $\bar{X}_0, \bar{X}_1, \dots, \bar{X}_{N-1} \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$
- for every $\alpha \in X^*$, an integer $P(\alpha)$ such that $0 \leq P(\alpha) < N$.

We proceed in the following way:

- $\alpha = \alpha_0 = 2$: $P(\alpha_0) = 0$; $(2, d_0 - N + 1) \in \bar{X}_0$, $(2, 1) \in \bar{X}_j$ if $j > 0$
- $\alpha = \alpha_0 > 2$: $P(\alpha_0) = 0$; $(\alpha_0, d_0) \in \bar{X}_0$, $(2, 1) \in \bar{X}_j$ if $j > 0$
- $\alpha \in X_1^*$: let $\beta \in X^*$, $\beta < \alpha$, $] \beta, \alpha[\cap X^* = \emptyset$, and set $P(\alpha) \equiv P(\beta) + 1 \pmod{N}$; $(\alpha, d_1^\alpha) \in \bar{X}_{P(\alpha)}$, $(\alpha, d_2^\alpha) \in \bar{X}_{P(\alpha)+1}, \dots, (\alpha, d_{N_\alpha}^\alpha) \in \bar{X}_{P(\alpha)+N_\alpha-1}$ (we put $\bar{X}_r = \bar{X}_s$ when $r \equiv s \pmod{N}$)
- $\alpha \in X_2^*$: $P(\alpha) = 0$, $(\alpha, 1) \in \bar{X}_j$ for every $j = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$
- let $\bar{X}_0, \dots, \bar{X}_{N-1}$ contain no more elements.

Notice that, for every $j = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$, \bar{X}_j satisfies the hypotheses of Theorem 4.1, so there is an ω -stable structure M_j such that $\bar{X}_j = \text{CB-Spec } Th(M_j)$. Let $M = M_0 \dot{\cup} \dots \dot{\cup} M_{N-1}$, then M is ω -stable and we claim $X = \text{CB-Spec } Th(M)$.

i. $X \subset \text{CB Spec } Th(M)$.

It suffices to show that, for every $(\alpha, d) \in X$, there is $M' \equiv M$, $|M'| = \aleph_0$ such that M' has got CB-type (α, d) . We notice that $M' = M'_0 \dot{\cup} \dots \dot{\cup} M'_{N-1}$ where $M'_j \equiv M_j$, $|M'_j| = \aleph_0$ (so that the CB-type of M'_j belongs to \bar{X}_j) for every $j = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$.

- $(\alpha, d) = (\alpha_0, d_0)$: take M'_0 having CB-type $(2, d_0 - N + 1)$ if $\alpha_0 = 2$, (α_0, d_0) if $\alpha_0 > 2$, M'_j having CB-type $(2, 1)$ if $j > 0$, so M' has CB-type (α_0, d_0)
- $\alpha \in X_1^*$, $d = \sum_{i=1}^{N_\alpha} \epsilon_i d_i^\alpha$: let M'_j have CB-type (α, d_i^α) if $j = P(\alpha) + i - 1$ and $\epsilon_i = 1$, M'_j have minimal CB-type otherwise, then M' has CB-type (α, d)
- $\alpha \in X_2^*$ (so that $P(\alpha) = 0$): assume M'_j has CB-type $(\alpha, 1)$ if $0 \leq j < d$, $(2, 1)$ if $d \leq j < N$, then M' has CB-type (α, d) .

ii. Conversely, we show that, if $M' \equiv M$ and $|M'| = \aleph_0$, the CB-type of M' belongs to X . We have already seen that, if the CB-type of M'_j is the minimal one for every j , then (α_0, d_0) is the CB-type of M' . If this is not the case, let α be the maximal CB-rank of M'_j 's ($0 \leq j < N$), and put for $1 \leq i \leq N_\alpha$

$$\epsilon_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (\alpha, d_i^\alpha) \text{ is the CB-type of } M'_{P(\alpha)+i-1}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$$

then M' has got CB-type $(\alpha, \sum_{i=1}^{N_\alpha} \epsilon_i d_i^\alpha) \in X$.

Remark: Of course, we can modify the previous proofs to get finite CB-sets. For instance, we have:

- if $n, d_0, d_1, \dots, d_n \in \omega^*$, $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \omega_1^*$, $(1, \sum_{i=1}^n d_i) \leq (\alpha_0, d_0) < (\alpha_1, d_1)$, $1 < \alpha_1 < \dots < \alpha_n$, then $\{(\alpha_j, d_j) : 0 \leq j \leq n\}$ is a CB-set
- let $n \in \omega^*$, $X \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$, $X^* = \{\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}$, where $1 \leq \alpha_0 \leq \alpha_1$, $1 < \alpha_1 < \dots < \alpha_n$; if $\alpha_0 < \alpha_1$, suppose that, for every $i \geq 1$, there are $d_1^i, \dots, d_{N_i}^i \in \omega^*$ – not necessarily distinct – such that $X(\alpha_i) = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \epsilon_j d_j^i : \epsilon_j = 0, 1, \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \epsilon_j > 0 \right\}$, while $X(\alpha_0) = \{(\alpha_0, d_0)\}$ where $d_0 \geq \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} d_j^i$ if $\alpha_0 = 1$; if $\alpha_0 = \alpha_1$, suppose that, for every $i \geq 2$, there are $d_1^i, \dots, d_{N_i}^i \in \omega^*$ such that $X(\alpha_i) = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \epsilon_j d_j^i : \epsilon_j = 0, 1, \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \epsilon_j > 0 \right\}$, while, looking at $X(\alpha_1)$, there are $d_0, d_1^1, \dots, d_{N_1}^1 \in \omega^*$ such that $X(\alpha_1) = \left\{ d_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{N_1} \epsilon_j d_j^1 : \epsilon_j = 0, 1 \right\}$; then X is a CB-set.

(The previous results can be obtained as corollaries of the following Lemmas 4.3 and 4.4.)

Example 4: For every λ such that $2 \leq \lambda < \omega$, $\{(\alpha, 1) : 2 \leq \alpha \leq \lambda\}$ is a CB-set.

Example 5: $\{(1, n(\alpha - 1))\} \cup \{(\nu, 1), \dots, (\nu, n) : 2 \leq \nu \leq \alpha\}$ is a CB-set for every α such that $2 \leq \alpha < \omega$.

Lemma 4.3 *Let X_1, \dots, X_n be CB-sets, $(\alpha_j, d_j) = \min X_j$, $X(\alpha_j) = \{d_j\}$, $X'_j = X_j - \{(\alpha_j, d_j)\}$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$. Put $\alpha_0 = \max\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}$, $d_0 = \sum_{\alpha_j=\alpha_0} d_j$ and suppose $\alpha_0 < (X'_1)^* < \dots < (X'_n)^*$. Then $X'_1 \cup \dots \cup X'_n \cup \{(\alpha_0, d_0)\}$ is a CB-set.*

Proof: Let M_j be a countable ω -stable structure such that $X_j = \text{CB-Spec Th}(M_j)$ ($1 \leq j \leq n$); put $M = \bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq n} M_j$, then it is easy to deduce that $\text{CB-Spec Th}(M) = X'_1 \cup \dots \cup X'_n \cup \{(\alpha_0, d_0)\}$. In a similar way, we can deduce that, for every $(\alpha, d) \in \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$ such that $(\alpha_0, d_0) \leq (\alpha, d)$ and $\alpha < (X'_1)^*$, $X'_1 \cup \dots \cup X'_n \cup \{(\alpha, d)\}$ is a CB-set.

Lemma 4.4 *Let X_1, \dots, X_n ; $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$; d_0, d_1, \dots, d_n be as above. Suppose now $\alpha_0 < (X'_1)^* \leq \dots \leq (X'_n)^*$ and define, for $1 \leq i < j \leq n$,*

$$\delta(X_i, X_j) = \left\{ \left(\alpha, \sum_{i \leq k \leq j} \epsilon_k d_k \right) : \alpha \in \bigcap_{i \leq k \leq j} (X'_k)^*, \right. \\ \left. d_k \in X_k(\alpha), \epsilon_k = 0, 1, \sum_{i \leq k \leq j} \epsilon_k \geq 2 \right\}.$$

Then $X = X'_1 \cup \dots \cup X'_n \cup \left(\bigcup_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \delta(X_i, X_j) \right) \cup \{(\alpha_0, d_0)\}$ is a CB-set.

Proof: Define $M_j (1 \leq j \leq n)$, M as above; let $M' \equiv M$, $|M'| = \aleph_0$, so that $M' = \bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq n} M'_j$ where $M'_j \equiv M_j$, $|M'_j| = \aleph_0$. If M'_j has CB-type (α_j, d_j) for every j , M' has CB-type (α_0, d_0) . Otherwise, let j be the maximal index such that M'_j has CB-type $(\alpha, d) \in X'_j$: if, for every $i < j$, the CB-rank of M'_j is less than α , M' has CB-type (α, d) ; if there is $i < j$ such that M'_i has CB-rank α (and i is the minimal index with this property), M' has CB-type $\left(\alpha, \sum_{i \leq k \leq j} \epsilon_k d_k \right)$, where

$$\epsilon_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if the CB-rank of } M'_k \text{ is } \alpha \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

so $\left(\alpha, \sum_{i \leq k \leq j} \epsilon_k d_k \right) \in \delta(X_i, X_j)$. Conversely, every element of X is the CB-type of a suitable structure $M' \equiv M$, $|M'| = \aleph_0$.

Looking now at the CB-sets X such that, for some $\alpha \in X^*$, $X(\alpha)$ is infinite, we prove the following.

Theorem 4.5 *Let $X \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$, X^* infinite, and put $\alpha_0 = \min X^*$. Suppose:*

- (a) *if $\alpha \in X^*$, $\alpha \geq 2$*
- (b) *for every $\alpha \in X^*$, either $X(\alpha) = \omega^*$ or $X(\alpha) = \{1\}$*
- (c) *when $X(\alpha) = \omega^*$, $X(\alpha + 1) \neq \emptyset$*
- (d) *if $X(\alpha + 1) = \{1\}$ and $\alpha + 1 > \alpha_0$, $X(\alpha) = \omega^*$*
- (e) *if $\alpha_i \in X^*$ for every $i \in N$ and $\alpha_i \uparrow \alpha$, $\alpha \in X^*$*
- (f) *if $X(\alpha) = \{1\}$ and α is a limit ordinal and $\alpha > \alpha_0$, there is a sequence $\{\alpha_i \in X^* : i \in N\}$ such that $\alpha_i \uparrow \alpha$.*

Then X is a CB-set.

Example 6: $\{(\alpha, d) : 2 \leq \alpha < \lambda, d \in \omega^*\} \cup \{\lambda, 1\}$ for $\omega \leq \lambda < \omega_1$.

Example 7: $\{(2n, d) : n, d \in \omega^*\} \cup \{(2n + 1, 1) : n \in \omega^*\} \cup \{(\omega, 1)\}$.

Example 8: $\{(2n, 1) : n \in \omega^*\} \cup \{(2n + 1, d) : n, d \in \omega^*\} \cup \{(\omega, 1)\}$.

Proof: We put $X_0^* = \{\alpha_0\}$, $\bar{X}^* = \{\alpha \in X^* : X(\alpha) = \omega^*\}$, $X_1^* = \bar{X}^* \cup (\bar{X}^* + 1)$. If $\alpha \in X^* - (X_0^* \cup X_1^*)$, then $X(\alpha) = \{1\}$, and α is a limit ordinal, so that there is a sequence $\{\alpha_i : i \in N\} \subset X^*$ such that $\alpha_i \uparrow \alpha$. We set $X_2^* = \{\alpha \in X^* - (X_0^* \cup X_1^*) : \exists \alpha_0 < \alpha_1 < \alpha_2 < \dots \text{ all in } X_1^* \text{ such that } \alpha_i \uparrow \alpha\}$, notice that $X^* = X_0^* \cup X_1^* \cup X_2^*$, and X_1^*, X_2^* are infinite.

Case 1. $X(\alpha_0) = \{1\}$. We first suppose $\alpha_0 = 2$, and we define

$$M = \dot{\bigcup}_{\alpha \in \bar{X}^*} M_1^*(\alpha)$$

(notice that $\alpha_0 \notin \bar{X}^*$). Then, $Th(M)$ is ω -stable, and we claim $X = \text{CB-Spec } Th(M)$. Recall that, for every countable model M' of $Th(M)$,

$$M' = \dot{\bigcup}_{\alpha \in \bar{X}^*} M_\alpha(\dot{\bigcup} M_\alpha)$$

where $|M_\alpha| = \aleph_0$, $M_\alpha \equiv M_1^*(\alpha)$ for every α . We first show $X \subset \text{CB-Spec } Th(M)$.

- (2, 1) is the CB-type of M' if M_α has CB-type (1, 1) for every $\alpha \in \bar{X}^*$
- if $\alpha \in \bar{X}^*$, (α, n) is the CB-type of M' when, for every $\beta \in \bar{X}^*$, M_β has CB-type (α, n) for $\beta = \alpha$, (1, 1) otherwise
- if $\alpha \in X_1^* - \bar{X}^*$, there exists $\nu \in \bar{X}^*$ such that $\alpha = \nu + 1$: suppose M_ν has CB-type $(\nu + 1, 1)$, while M_β has CB-type (1, 1) for every $\beta \in \bar{X}^* - \{\nu\}$: then M' has CB-type $(\alpha, 1)$
- if $\alpha \in X_2^*$, there is a sequence $\{\alpha_i \in X_1^* : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ such that $\alpha_i \uparrow \alpha$; we can suppose $\alpha_i \in X^*$ for every i ; for every $\beta \in \bar{X}^*$, let M_β have CB-type $(\alpha_i, 1)$ if there is $i \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\beta = \alpha_i$, (1, 1) otherwise; we get a model M' of $Th(M)$, such that the CB-type of M' is $(\alpha, 1)$.

Conversely, $\text{CB-Spec } Th(M) \subset X$: let $M' \equiv M$, $|M'| = \aleph_0$, put $Y = \{\alpha \in \bar{X}^* : \text{the CB-rank of } M_\alpha \text{ is higher than } 1\}$. We distinguish the following cases:

- $Y = \emptyset$: then M' has CB-type $(2, 1) \in X$
- $Y \neq \emptyset$, there exists $\alpha = \max Y$: in this case, if M_α has CB-type (α, n) but $\alpha = \nu + 1$ for a suitable $\nu \in \bar{X}^*$ and M_ν has CB-type $(\nu + 1, 1)$, M' has CB-type $(\alpha, n + 1) \in X$; otherwise the CB-type of M' coincides with the CB-type of M_α , in particular belongs to X
- $Y \neq \emptyset$, Y admits no maximal element: let $\alpha = \sup Y$, then M' has CB-type $(\alpha, 1)$. Furthermore there is a sequence $\{\alpha_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset Y$ such that $\alpha_i \uparrow \alpha$, so $(\alpha, 1) \in X$.

When $\alpha_0 > 2$, we consider $M \dot{\bigcup} M_1^1(\alpha_0)$ instead of M .

Case 2. $X(\alpha_0) = \omega^*$. Follow the same procedure as above, recalling that $\alpha_0 \in \bar{X}^*$ in this case.

A more general version of Theorem 4.5 can be given starting from the structure $M_d^*(\alpha)$ ($d \in \omega^*$) instead of $M_1^*(\alpha)$.

Remark: We have also that, if $X \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$ and $X^* = \{1, \alpha_i, \alpha_i + 1 : 1 \leq i \leq m\}$ where $1 < \alpha_1 < \dots < \alpha_m$, $X(\alpha_i) = \{(\alpha_i, n) : n \in \omega^*\}$ for $1 \leq i \leq m$, $X(\alpha_i + 1) = \{(\alpha_i + 1, 1)\}$ when $\alpha_i + 1 < \alpha_{i+1}$ or $i = m$, $X(1) = \{m\}$, then X is a CB-set. In fact, we can apply Lemma 4.4 when $(\alpha_0, d_0) = (1, m)$ and, for $1 \leq i \leq m$, $X_i = \{(1, 1)\} \cup \{(\alpha_i, n) : n \in \omega^*\} \cup \{(\alpha_i + 1, 1)\}$, so that, for $1 \leq i < m$,

$$\delta(X_i, X_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if } \alpha_{i+1} > \alpha_i + 1 \\ \{(\alpha_{i+1}, n) : n \geq 2\} \subset X_{i+1} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

while, if $j > i + 1$,

$$\delta(X_i, X_j) = \emptyset.$$

Notice that we can assume the minimal element of X is (α_0, d_0) for every (α_0, d_0) such that $(1, m) \leq (\alpha_0, d_0) \leq (\alpha_1, 1)$.

Example 9: $\{(\alpha, d) : 2 \leq \alpha < \lambda, d \in \omega^*\} \cup \{(\lambda, 1)\}$ (for $2 < \lambda < \omega$) is a CB-set.

We are going now to the main results of this paper: we follow a more complicated line of thought to construct more complicated CB-sets, assuming in particular Examples 2.5–8 as basic structures.

Theorem 4.6 *Let $X \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$ with maximal element $(\lambda + 3, 1)$ and such that:*

- (a) $X(\lambda + 2) = \omega^*$
 - (b) if $\alpha \in X^*$, $\alpha \geq 3$.
- Then, X is a CB-set.*

Proof: We may limit our examination to the case $\lambda > 1$. First we assume that $(3, 1)$ is the minimal element of X . We set $Y' = X - \{(\lambda + 3, 1)\}$ and we define $Y \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$ in the following way: $Y^* - \{3\} = (Y')^* - \{3\}$, $Y(\nu) = Y'(\nu)$ if $\nu \in (Y')^* - \{3\}$, $Y(3) = \{d - 1 : d \in Y'(3), d > 1\}$. Notice that (a) implies Y is infinite. We consider now the theory T whose models are the following structures:

$$M = \left(\dot{\bigcup}_{(\alpha,d) \in Y} M_{\alpha,d} \right) \dot{\cup} \left(\dot{\bigcup}_{\substack{(\alpha,d), (\beta,e) \in Y \\ (\alpha,d) < (\beta,e)}} M_{\alpha,d;\beta,e} \right) (\dot{\cup} M_\infty)$$

where $M_{\alpha,d} \equiv M'_d(\alpha)$, $M_{\alpha,d;\beta,e} \equiv M(\lambda)$ and, for every $(\alpha, d), (\beta, e) \in Y$ such that $(\alpha, d) < (\beta, e)$, two isomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} h_{\alpha,d;\beta,e}^{(1)}: P^{M_{\alpha,d}} &\rightarrow P_1^{M_{\alpha,d;\beta,e}} \\ h_{\alpha,d;\beta,e}^{(2)}: P^{M_{\beta,e}} &\rightarrow P_2^{M_{\alpha,d;\beta,e}} \end{aligned}$$

are given. (Remember that $M_{\alpha,d} = M_1 \dot{\cup} \dots \dot{\cup} M_d$ where $M_1 \cong \dots \cong M_d$, $M_1, \dots, M_d \equiv M_1^1(\alpha)$, so we mean by $P^{M_{\alpha,d}}$ P^{M_1} , for example; similarly for $P^{M_{\beta,e}}$). T is ω -stable; furthermore, if $M \models T$ and $|M| = \aleph_0$, then, for every $(\alpha, d), (\beta, e) \in Y$, $(\alpha, d) < (\beta, e)$, the CB-type of $M_{\alpha,d;\beta,e}$ is

- (2,1) when either $M_{\alpha,d}$ or $M_{\beta,e}$ has minimal CB-type
- $(\lambda + 2, 1)$ otherwise.

We claim $X = \text{CB-Spec } T$. First suppose $M \models T$, $|M| = \aleph_0$, we prove that the CB-type of M belongs to X . We can distinguish the following cases:

- for every $(\alpha, d) \in Y$, $M_{\alpha,d}$ admits minimal CB-type: M has CB-type (3,1)
- there is one and only one element $(\alpha, d) \in Y$ such that the CB-type of $M_{\alpha,d}$ is (α, d) : if $\alpha = 3$, M has CB-type $(3, d + 1)$; if $\alpha > 3$, M has CB-type (α, d) ; in both cases, the CB-type of M belongs to X
- there is a finite number $n \geq 2$ of elements $(\alpha, d) \in Y$ such that $M_{\alpha,d}$ has CB-type (α, d) : M has CB-rank $\lambda + 2$, and its CB-degree equals the

sum between $\sum_{1 \leq i < n} i$ and, in case, all the CB-degrees d corresponding to the CB-rank $\alpha = \lambda + 2$

- there are infinitely many pairs $(\alpha, d) \in Y$ such that $M_{\alpha,d}$ has got CB-type (α, d) : then M has CB-type $(\lambda + 3, 1)$.

Conversely, it is straightforward to see that, for every $(\alpha, d) \in X$, there is a countable model M of T such that the CB-type of M is (α, d) .

Let now, more generally, (α_0, d_0) be the minimal element of X , $(\alpha_0, d_0) > (3, 1)$.

- $\alpha_0 > 3$: we define $X_0 \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$ in the following way: $X_0^* - \{\alpha_0, 3\} = X^* - \{\alpha_0, 3\}$; $X_0(\alpha_0) = \{d - d_0 : d \in X(\alpha_0), d > d_0\}$, $X_0(3) = \{1\}$, $X_0(\nu) = X(\nu)$ if $\nu \in X^* - \{\alpha_0\}$. Let T_0 be the ω -stable theory such that $X_0 = \text{CB-Spec } T_0$, choose a model M_0 of T_0 and consider the theory T of $M_0 \dot{\cup} M_{d_0}^1(\alpha_0)$: T is ω -stable, and $\text{CB-Spec } T = X$.
- $\alpha_0 = 3, d_0 > 1$: we define $X_0 \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$ in the following way: $X_0^* = X^*$, $X_0(3) = \{d - d_0 + 1 : d \in X(3)\}$, $X_0(\nu) = X(\nu)$ if $\nu > 3$; let T_0 be the ω -stable theory whose CB-spectrum is X_0 , choose $M_0 \models T_0$, and consider the theory T of $M_0 \dot{\cup} M_{d_0-1}^1(3)$: T is ω -stable and $\text{CB-Spec } T = X$.

Remark: A similar proof shows the following is a CB-set:

$X \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$, X admits a maximal element $(\lambda + 3, 1)$, and

- $X(\lambda + 2) = \left\{ \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n} k : n \in \omega^* \right\}$
- $\{(\alpha, d) \in X : \alpha < \lambda + 2\}$ is infinite
- if $\alpha \in X^*$, $\alpha \geq 3$.

Similarly we have:

Theorem 4.7 *Let $X \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$ admit as maximal element $(\lambda, 1)$ where λ is a limit ordinal and:*

- $\{\alpha : X(\alpha + 2) \neq \emptyset\}$ is cofinal in λ
- for ever $\alpha \in X^*$, $\alpha \geq 3$.

Then X is a CB-set.

Proof: First we assume that $(3, 1)$ is the minimal element of X . We set $Y' = X - \{(\lambda, 1)\}$ and we define $Y \subset \omega_1^* \times \omega^*$ as above: $Y^* - \{3\} = (Y')^* - \{3\}$, $Y(\nu) = Y'(\nu)$ if $\nu \in (Y')^* - \{3\}$, $Y(3) = \{d - 1 : d \in Y'(3), d > 1\}$. Notice that (a) implies Y is infinite. However, $Z = \{((\alpha, d), (\beta, e)) \in Y^2 : (\alpha, d) < (\beta, e)\}$ is a countable set, so we give some enumeration $\{((\alpha_n, d_n), (\beta_n, e_n)) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ to Z , and we take at the same time a sequence $\{\lambda_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of ordinals such that $\lambda_n \uparrow \lambda$. We consider the following function ϕ having domain Z :

- $\phi((\alpha_0, d_0), (\beta_0, e_0)) = (\gamma_0, g_0)$ where $\gamma_0 = \min\{\gamma : X(\gamma + 2) \neq \emptyset, \beta_0 < \gamma\}$ and $g_0 = \min X(\gamma_0 + 2)$
- $\phi((\alpha_{n+1}, d_{n+1}), (\beta_{n+1}, e_{n+1})) = (\gamma_{n+1}, g_{n+1})$, where $\gamma_{n+1} = \min\{\gamma : X(\gamma + 2) \neq \emptyset, \beta_{n+1}, \gamma_n, \lambda_n < \gamma\}$, and $g_{n+1} = \min X(\gamma_{n+1} + 2)$.

Let T be the ω -stable theory whose models are the structures

$$M = \left(\dot{\bigcup}_{(\alpha,d) \in Y} M_{\alpha,d} \right) \dot{\bigcup} \left(\dot{\bigcup}_{((\alpha,d),(\beta,e)) \in Z} M_{\alpha,d;\beta,e} \right) [\dot{\bigcup} M_\infty].$$

M is defined as above, in particular, for every $((\alpha, d), (\beta, e)) \in Z$, $M_{\alpha,d;\beta,e} \equiv gM(\gamma)$ where $(\gamma, g) = \phi((\alpha, d), (\beta, e))$, so that the CB-type of $M_{\alpha,d;\beta,e}$ is:

- $(2, g)$ if either $M_{\alpha,d}$ or $M_{\beta,e}$ has minimal CB-type
- $(\gamma + 2, g)$ otherwise.

We claim $X = \text{CB-Spec } T$. First, let $M \models T$, $|M| = \aleph_0$. We shall prove that the CB-type of M belongs to X ; we distinguish again four cases:

- for every $(\alpha, d) \in Y$, $M_{\alpha,d}$ admits minimal CB-type: M has CB-type $(3, 1)$
- there is one and only one $(\alpha, d) \in Y$ such that the CB-type of $M_{\alpha,d}$ is (α, d) : if $\alpha = 3$, M has CB-type $(3, d + 1)$; if $\alpha > 3$, M has CB-type (α, d) ; in both cases, the CB-type of M belongs to X
- there is a finite number $n \geq 2$ of elements $(\alpha, d) \in Y$ such that $M_{\alpha,d}$ has CB-type (α, d) : take the corresponding maximal pair $((\alpha, d), (\beta, e))$ in the enumeration of Z , let $(\gamma, g) = \phi((\alpha, d), (\beta, e))$, so M has CB-type $(\gamma + 2, g) \in X$
- there are infinitely many pairs $(\alpha, d) \in Y$ such that $M_{\alpha,d}$ has got CB-type (α, d) : then M has CB-type $(\lambda, 1)$.

Conversely it is straightforward that, for every $(\alpha, d) \in X$, there is a model M of T such that $|M| = \aleph_0$ and the CB-type of M is (α, d) . Finally, if the minimal pair of X is $(\alpha_0, d_0) > (3, 1)$, we can proceed as in Theorem 4.6.

Remarks: 1. Looking at Theorems 4.6 and 4.7, notice that similar results can be obtained about finite CB-sets.

2. Lemmas 4.3, 4.4, and disjoint unions with suitable pseudo- \aleph_0 -categorical ω -stable structures can be used to construct new CB-sets, starting from the previous ones. In this way, we can partially cover the $\lambda + 1, \lambda + 2$ cases.

3. As a final remark, we note that there are 2^{\aleph_0} CB-sets, i.e., 2^{\aleph_0} classes of ω -stable theories of the equivalence relation: $T_1 \sim T_2$ if and only if T_1 and T_2 have got the same CB-spectrum.

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