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Reflection principles for ω_2 and the semi-stationary reflection principle

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Abstract. Starting from a model with a weakly compact cardinal, we construct a model in which the weak stationary reflection principle for ω_2 holds but the Fodor-type reflection principle for ω_2 fails. So the stationary reflection principle for ω_2 fails in this model. We also construct a model in which the semi-stationary reflection principle holds but the Fodor-type reflection principle for ω_2 fails.

1. Introduction.

Various *reflection principles* are known and studied widely. First we review several reflection principles.

We recall some basic definitions. Let X be an uncountable set. A set $C \subseteq [X]^{\omega}$ is club in $[X]^{\omega}$ if:

- (1) For every $x \in [X]^{\omega}$ there is $y \in C$ with $x \subseteq y$.
- (2) For every $\alpha < \omega_1$ and every \subseteq -increasing sequence $\langle x_i : i < \alpha \rangle$ in C, we have $\bigcup_{i < \alpha} x_i \in C$.

A set $S \subseteq [X]^{\omega}$ is stationary in $[X]^{\omega}$ if $S \cap C \neq \emptyset$ for every club C in $[X]^{\omega}$. It is known that $S \subseteq [X]^{\omega}$ is stationary in $[X]^{\omega}$ if and only if for every function $f : [X]^{<\omega} \to X$, there is $x \in S$ which is closed under f.

DEFINITION 1.1. Let λ be a cardinal $\geq \omega_2$. WRP(λ) (the Weak stationary Reflection Principle for λ) is the assertion that for every stationary $S \subseteq [\lambda]^{\omega}$, there exists $X \in [\lambda]^{\omega_1}$ such that $\omega_1 \subseteq X$ and $S \cap [X]^{\omega}$ is stationary in $[X]^{\omega}$. Let WRP be the assertion that WRP(λ) holds for every $\lambda \geq \omega_2$. When λ is regular, RP(λ) (the stationary Reflection Principle for λ) is the assertion that for every stationary $S \subseteq [\lambda]^{\omega}$, there exists $X \in [\lambda]^{\omega_1}$ such that $\omega_1 \subseteq X$, cf(sup(X)) = ω_1 , and $S \cap [X]^{\omega}$ is stationary in $[X]^{\omega}$. RP is the assertion that RP(λ) holds for every regular $\lambda \geq \omega_2$.

WRP was introduced by Foreman–Magidor–Shelah [4] and it has many interesting consequences.

Shelah developed a reflection principle of semi-stationary sets in the study of semiproper forcing notions:

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DEFINITION 1.2 (Shelah [14, Chapter XIII, Section 1, 1.1. Definition and 1.5. Definition]). For a set X with $\omega_1 \subseteq X$, a subset $S \subseteq [X]^{\omega}$ is semi-stationary in $[X]^{\omega}$ if the set $\{x \in [X]^{\omega} : \exists y \in S \ (y \subseteq x \text{ and } y \cap \omega_1 = x \cap \omega_1)\}$ is stationary in $[X]^{\omega}$. For a cardinal $\lambda \geq \omega_2$, SSR(λ) (the Semi-Stationary Reflection principle for λ) is the assertion that for every semi-stationary $S \subseteq [\lambda]^{\omega}$, there is $X \in [\lambda]^{\omega_1}$ such that $\omega_1 \subseteq X$ and $S \cap [X]^{\omega}$ is semi-stationary in $[X]^{\omega}$. SSR is the assertion that SSR(λ) holds for every $\lambda \geq \omega_2$.

Shelah [14] showed that SSR is equivalent to the statement that every ω_1 -stationary preserving forcing notion is semiproper, and Doebler–Schindler [3] showed that SSR can be characterized by a generalized Chang's conjecture.

We turn to another reflection principle. For a set E of ordinals, a *ladder system* on E is a sequence $\vec{c} = \langle c_{\alpha} : \alpha \in E \rangle$ such that each $c_{\alpha} \subseteq \alpha$ is unbounded in α and $\operatorname{ot}(c_{\alpha}) = \operatorname{cf}(\alpha)$. We will sometime denote c_{α} as \vec{c}_{α} to emphasize the sequence \vec{c} .

DEFINITION 1.3. Let λ be a regular cardinal $\geq \omega_2$. FRP(λ) (the Fodor-type Reflection Principle for λ) is the assertion that for every stationary $E \subseteq \{\alpha < \lambda : cf(\alpha) = \omega\}$ in λ and every ladder system \vec{c} on E, there is $I \in [\lambda]^{\omega_1}$ such that $cf(\sup(I)) = \omega_1, c_\alpha \subseteq I$ for $\alpha \in E \cap I$, and for every function $f : E \cap I \to I$ with $f(\alpha) \in c_\alpha$, there is γ with $\{\alpha \in I \cap E : f(\alpha) = \gamma\}$ stationary in $\sup(I)$. FRP is the assertion that FRP(λ) holds for every regular $\lambda \geq \omega_2$.

It is known that FRP can be characterized by various reflection phenomenons. For instance:

FACT 1.4 (Fuchino-Juhász-Soukup-Szentmiklóssy-Usuba [5], Fuchino-Sakai-Soukup-Usuba [7]). The following are equivalent:

- (1) FRP holds.
- (2) For every locally compact Hausdorff topological space X, if every subspace of X of size $\leq \omega_1$ is metrizable, then X is metrizable.
- (3) For every regular $\lambda \geq \omega_2$, stationary $S \subseteq \{\alpha < \lambda : cf(\alpha) = \omega\}$, and ladder system \vec{c} on S, there is $\beta < \lambda$ such that for every regressive $f : S \cap \beta \to \beta$, there are distinct $\alpha_0, \alpha_1 \in S \cap \beta$ with $(c_{\alpha_0} \setminus f(\alpha_0)) \cap (c_{\alpha_1} \setminus f(\alpha_1)) \neq \emptyset$.

See Fuchino–Juhász–Soukup–Szentmiklóssy–Usuba [5], Fuchino–Rinot [6], and Fuchino–Sakai–Soukup–Usuba [7] for FRP.

The following implications between our reflection principles are known:

FACT 1.5. (1) ([5]) For every regular $\lambda \geq \omega_2$, $\operatorname{RP}(\lambda) \Rightarrow \operatorname{FRP}(\lambda)$. Hence $\operatorname{RP} \Rightarrow$ FRP.

- (2) WRP(λ) \Rightarrow SSR(λ) for every $\lambda \ge \omega_2$. So WRP \Rightarrow SSR.
- (3) (Sakai [13]) WRP(ω_2) \iff SSR(ω_2).
- (4) ([13]) It is consistent that SSR holds but WRP(ω_3) fails. So SSR \neq WRP.
- (5) (Baumgartner [1], Veličković [16]) ZFC + WRP(ω_2) is equiconsistent with ZFC + $\exists weakly \ compact \ cardinal.$
- (6) (Miyamoto [11]) ZFC + FRP(ω_2) is equiconsistent with ZFC + \exists Mahlo cardinal.

Now we have the following diagram:



 $\operatorname{FRP}(\omega_2)$ does not imply $\operatorname{WRP}(\omega_2)$ by (5) and (6) of Fact 1.5, in fact FRP does not imply $\operatorname{WRP}(\omega_2)$; Todorčević showed that $\operatorname{WRP}(\omega_2)$ implies $2^{\omega} \leq \omega_2$ (e.g., see Todorčević [15]) but FRP is consistent with arbitrary large continuum ([5]). On the other hand, Kruger [10] showed that $\operatorname{WRP}(\omega_2)$ does not imply $\operatorname{RP}(\omega_2)$: Starting from a model with a κ^+ -supercompact κ , he constructed a model in which $\operatorname{WRP}(\omega_2)$ holds but $\operatorname{RP}(\omega_2)$ fails.

In this paper, we give a simpler construction of a model of $WRP(\omega_2) + \neg RP(\omega_2)$ than Krueger's one. Moreover we reduce the large cardinal assumption of a κ^+ -supercompact cardinal κ to that of a weakly compact cardinal κ , which is optimal by Fact 1.5 (5), and obtain a model in which $WRP(\omega_2)$ holds but $FRP(\omega_2)$ fails (so $RP(\omega_2)$ also fails by Fact 1.5 (1)).

THEOREM 1.6. Suppose "ZFC + \exists weakly compact cardinal" is consistent. Then so is "ZFC + WRP(ω_2) + \neg FRP(ω_2) (so \neg RP(ω_2))".

We also prove that even SSR does not imply $FRP(\omega_2)$, so does not $RP(\omega_2)$:

THEOREM 1.7. Suppose "ZFC + \exists supercompact cardinal" is consistent. Then so is "ZFC + SSR + \neg FRP(ω_2)".

By the way, we also mention RC (*Rado's Conjecture*). A tree T is special if T is a countable union of antichains of T. RC is the assertion that every uncountable nonspecial tree has a non-special subtree of size ω_1 . See Todorčević's article [15] for RC and related topics. Recently Doebler [2] proved that RC implies SSR, and Fuchino–Sakai– Perez–Usuba [8] showed that RC implies FRP and RP(ω_2). So Theorem 1.7 tells us that SSR does not imply RC. In [8], they pointed out that RC does not imply WRP(ω_3).



Here we present some basic definitions, notations, and facts which will be used later sections.

For i < 2, let $S_i^2 = \{ \alpha < \omega_2 : \alpha > \omega_1, \operatorname{cf}(\alpha) = \omega_i \}.$

For a set x of ordinals, let $\lim(x) = \{\alpha < \sup(x) : \alpha \text{ is limit and } x \cap \alpha \text{ is unbounded in } \alpha\}.$

DEFINITION 1.8. Let $S \subseteq [\omega_2]^{\omega}$ be stationary in $[\omega_2]^{\omega}$. Let WRP(S) (RP(S), respectively) be the assertion that for every stationary $S' \subseteq S$, there exists $\alpha < \omega_2$

 $(\alpha \in S_1^2$, respectively) such that $S' \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is stationary in $[\alpha]^{\omega}$.

Note that WRP(ω_2) \iff WRP($[\omega_2]^{\omega}$) and RP(ω_2) \iff RP($[\omega_2]^{\omega}$). For a stationary $S \subseteq [\omega_2]^{\omega}$, WRP(S) holds (RP(S) holds, respectively) if and only if for every stationary $S' \subseteq S$, the set { $\alpha < \omega_2 : S' \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is stationary in $[\alpha]^{\omega}$ } ({ $\alpha \in S_1^2 : S' \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is stationary in $[\alpha]^{\omega}$ }, respectively) is stationary in ω_2 .

We say that a subset $S \subseteq [\omega_2]^{\omega}$ is non-reflecting if $S \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is non-stationary in $[\alpha]^{\omega}$ for every $\alpha < \omega_2$.

DEFINITION 1.9. For a sequence $\vec{\pi} = \langle \pi_{\alpha} : \alpha < \omega_2 \rangle$ of surjections $\pi_{\alpha} : \omega_1 \to \alpha$, let $\mathcal{C}^{\vec{\pi}}$ be the set of all $x \in [\omega_2]^{\omega}$ such that:

- (1) $\omega_1 \in x \text{ and } x \cap \omega_1 \in \omega_1.$
- (2) $\sup(x) \notin x$.
- (3) π_{α} " $(x \cap \omega_1) = x \cap \alpha$ for every $\alpha \in x$.

 $\mathcal{C}^{\vec{\pi}}$ forms a club in $[\omega_2]^{\omega}$, and we denote it by \mathcal{C}^* if $\vec{\pi}$ is clear from the context.

DEFINITION 1.10. Let \vec{c} be a ladder system on S_0^2 . Let $\mathcal{S}^{\vec{c}}$ be the set of all $x \in \mathcal{C}^*$ such that $c_{\sup(x)} \subseteq x$. $\mathcal{S}^{\vec{c}}$ is stationary for every ladder system \vec{c} on S_0^2 .

Of course, we should denote $S^{\vec{c}}$ as $S^{\vec{\pi},\vec{c}}$. But the choice of $\vec{\pi}$ is not important and we omit $\vec{\pi}$ for simplicity.

The following fact might be well-known, but the author could not find the proof of it. So we will give a proof in Section 7 for the completeness.

FACT 1.11. Let \vec{c} be a ladder system on S_0^2 and $E \subseteq \omega_1$ stationary in ω_1 . Let $T = \{x \in [\omega_2]^{\omega} : x \cap \omega_1 \in E, x \notin S^{\vec{c}}\}$. Then T is stationary in $[\omega_2]^{\omega}$.

Let θ be a sufficiently large regular cardinal, $M \prec H_{\theta}$ a countable model, and $\mathbb{P} \in M$ a poset. A condition $p \in \mathbb{P}$ is an (M, \mathbb{P}) -generic condition if $p \Vdash "M \cap ON = M[G] \cap ON"$. See Shelah [14, Chapter V, Section 1] for the following.

DEFINITION 1.12 (Shelah [14]). Let \mathbb{P} be a poset and θ a sufficiently large regular cardinal.

- (1) For a countable $M \prec H_{\theta}$ with $\mathbb{P} \in M$, a descending sequence $\langle p_n : n < \omega \rangle$ in $\mathbb{P} \cap M$ is called an (M, \mathbb{P}) -generic sequence if for every dense open set $D \in M$ in \mathbb{P} , there is some n with $p_n \in D \cap M$.
- (2) Let $\lambda \geq \omega_1$ be a cardinal and T a stationary subset of $[\lambda]^{\omega}$. A poset \mathbb{P} is said to be T-complete if for every countable $M \prec H_{\theta}$, if $\mathbb{P}, T \in M$ and $M \cap \lambda \in T$ then every (M, \mathbb{P}) -generic sequence has a lower bound.

FACT 1.13 (Shelah [14]). Let $\lambda \geq \omega_1$ be a cardinal and $T \subseteq [\lambda]^{\omega}$ stationary.

- (1) If \mathbb{P} is T-complete, then \mathbb{P} is σ -Baire, and \mathbb{P} preserves the stationarity of all stationary subsets of T.
- (2) Every countable support iteration of T-complete forcings is also T-complete.

Now we explain an outline of the proof of Theorem 1.6. First, by forcings, we collapse

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a weakly compact cardinal κ to ω_2 and add a special ladder system \vec{c} on S_0^2 , which implies $\neg \operatorname{FRP}(\omega_2)$. Second, we force $\operatorname{WRP}(\mathcal{S}^{\vec{c}})$ by an iteration of club shootings. Finally we check that the weak compactness of κ in the ground model yields that $\operatorname{WRP}([\omega_2]^{\omega} \setminus \mathcal{S}^{\vec{c}})$ holds in the final model. Theorem 1.7 can be obtained by the same argument with replacing weak compact by supercompact.

2. Non-reflecting ladder system.

In this section, we study a special ladder system of which the existence implies $\neg \operatorname{FRP}(\omega_2)$.

DEFINITION 2.1. A ladder system \vec{c} on S_0^2 is said to be *non-reflecting* if for every $\beta \in S_1^2$, there are a club C in β and an injection f on C such that $f(\alpha) \in c_{\alpha}$ for every $\alpha \in C$.

The following is obvious from the definitions of a non-reflecting ladder system and $S^{\vec{c}}$:

LEMMA 2.2. Suppose that there is a non-reflecting ladder system \vec{c} on S_0^2 .

- (1) For every $\alpha \in S_1^2$, $\mathcal{S}^{\vec{c}} \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is non-stationary in $[\alpha]^{\omega}$. Hence $\operatorname{RP}(\mathcal{S}^{\vec{c}})$ fails.
- (2) FRP(ω_2) fails.

We define a poset which adds a generic non-reflecting ladder system and collapses a regular κ to ω_2 .

DEFINITION 2.3. Let κ be a regular cardinal $\geq \omega_2$. Let $E_{\omega}^{\kappa} = \{\alpha < \kappa : \operatorname{cf}(\alpha) = \omega, \alpha > \omega_1\}$ and $E_{>\omega}^{\kappa} = \{\alpha < \kappa : \operatorname{cf}(\alpha) > \omega, \alpha > \omega_1\}$.

DEFINITION 2.4. Let $\kappa > \omega_1$ be a regular cardinal. \mathbb{L}_{κ} is the poset which consists of all pairs $\langle f, g \rangle$ such that:

- (1) f is a function with dom $(f) \in [E_{\omega}^{\kappa}]^{\omega}$ and for every $\alpha \in \text{dom}(f)$, $f(\alpha) \subseteq \alpha$ is a cofinal subset of α with $\text{ot}(f(\alpha)) = \omega$.
- (2) g is a function with dom $(g) \in [E_{>\omega}^{\kappa}]^{\omega}$.
- (3) For every $\alpha \in \text{dom}(g)$, $g(\alpha)$ is an injection such that $\text{dom}(g(\alpha)) \in [\text{dom}(f) \cap \alpha]^{\omega}$ is a closed bounded subset of α , and $g(\alpha)(\beta) \in f(\beta)$ for every $\beta \in \text{dom}(g(\alpha))$.

For $\langle f_0, g_0 \rangle, \langle f_1, g_1 \rangle \in \mathbb{L}_{\kappa}$, define $\langle f_0, g_0 \rangle \leq \langle f_1, g_1 \rangle$ in \mathbb{L}_{κ} if:

- (a) $f_0 \supseteq f_1$.
- (b) $\operatorname{dom}(g_0) \supseteq \operatorname{dom}(g_1)$.
- (c) For every $\alpha \in \text{dom}(g_1), g_0(\alpha) \supseteq g_1(\alpha)$ and $\text{dom}(g_0(\alpha))$ is an end-extension of $\text{dom}(g_1(\alpha))$.

LEMMA 2.5. Suppose $x \in [\kappa]^{\omega}$. Let D be the set of all $\langle f, g \rangle \in \mathbb{L}_{\kappa}$ such that $x \cap E_{\omega}^{\kappa} \subseteq \operatorname{dom}(f), \ x \cap E_{>\omega}^{\kappa} \subseteq \operatorname{dom}(g), \ and \max(\operatorname{dom}(g(\alpha)) = \sup(\operatorname{dom}(f) \cap \alpha) \ for \ every \ \alpha \in \operatorname{dom}(g).$ Then D is dense in \mathbb{L}_{κ} .

PROOF. Take $\langle f', g' \rangle \in \mathbb{L}_{\kappa}$. Take a sufficiently large regular θ and take a countable

 $M \prec H_{\theta}$ containing all relevant objects. Note that for each $\alpha \in M \cap E_{>\omega}^{\kappa}$, $\sup(M \cap \alpha) \in E_{\omega}^{\kappa}$ and $\sup(M \cap \alpha) \notin M$. Then define $\langle f, g \rangle$ as follows:

- (1) $\operatorname{dom}(f) = \lim(M \cap \kappa) \cap E_{\omega}^{\kappa}$.
- (2) $f(\alpha) = f'(\alpha)$ for every $\alpha \in \text{dom}(f')$.
- (3) For $\alpha \in \text{dom}(f) \setminus \text{dom}(f')$, let $f(\alpha)$ be a cofinal subset of α with $\text{ot}(f(\alpha)) = \omega$ and $f(\alpha) \notin M$ (this is possible since $\alpha > \omega_1$ and M is countable).
- (4) $\operatorname{dom}(g) = M \cap E_{>\omega}^{\kappa}$.
- (5) For $\alpha \in \text{dom}(g')$, $\text{dom}(g(\alpha)) = \text{dom}(g'(\alpha)) \cup \{\sup(M \cap \alpha)\}, g(\alpha)(\beta) = g'(\alpha)(\beta) \text{ for } \beta \in \text{dom}(g'(\alpha)), \text{ and } g(\alpha)(\sup(M \cap \alpha)) \text{ is an element of } f(\sup(M \cap \alpha)) \setminus M \text{ (note that } f(\sup(M \cap \alpha)) \nsubseteq M).$
- (6) For $\alpha \in \operatorname{dom}(g) \setminus \operatorname{dom}(g')$, $\operatorname{dom}(g(\alpha)) = \{\sup(M \cap \alpha)\} \text{ and } g(\alpha)(\sup(M \cap \alpha)) \text{ is an element of } f(\sup(M \cap \alpha)) \setminus M \text{ (as before, } f(\sup(M \cap \alpha)) \nsubseteq M).$

Then it is a routine to check that $\langle f, g \rangle$ is an element of the dense subset and $\langle f, g \rangle \leq \langle f', g' \rangle$.

LEMMA 2.6. \mathbb{L}_{κ} has a σ -closed dense subset.

PROOF. Let $D = \{\langle f, g \rangle \in \mathbb{L}_{\kappa} : \max(\operatorname{dom}(g(\alpha))) = \sup(\operatorname{dom}(f) \cap \alpha) \text{ for every } \alpha \in \operatorname{dom}(g)\}$. *D* is dense by Lemma 2.5. We see that *D* is σ -closed. Let $\langle\langle f_n, g_n \rangle : n < \omega \rangle$ be a decreasing sequence in *D*. Define $\langle f, g \rangle$ as follows:

- (1) $\operatorname{dom}(f) = \bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(f_n) \cup \lim(\bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(f_n)).$
- (2) For $\alpha \in \bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(f_n)$, $f(\alpha) = f_n(\alpha)$ for some $n < \omega$ with $\alpha \in \operatorname{dom}(f_n)$.
- (3) For $\alpha \notin \bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(f_n)$, let $f(\alpha)$ be a cofinal subset of α with $\operatorname{ot}(f(\alpha)) = \omega$ and $f(\alpha) \notin \bigcup \{f_n(\beta) : \beta \in \operatorname{dom}(f_n), n < \omega\}$ (note that $\alpha > \omega_1$, so we can take such an $f(\alpha)$).
- (4) $\operatorname{dom}(g) = \bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(g_n).$
- (5) For $\alpha \in \bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(g_n)$, let $d_{\alpha} = \bigcup \{ \operatorname{dom}(g_n(\alpha)) : n < \omega, \alpha \in \operatorname{dom}(g_n) \}$. Then $\operatorname{dom}(g(\alpha)) = d_{\alpha} \cup \{ \sup(d_{\alpha}) \}$, and for $\beta \in d_{\alpha}$, let $g(\alpha)(\beta) = g_n(\alpha)(\beta)$, where $n < \omega$ is minimal with $\beta \in \operatorname{dom}(g_n(\alpha))$. If $\sup(d_{\alpha}) \notin d_{\alpha}$, then we have $\sup(d_{\alpha}) \notin \bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(f_n)$ since each $\langle f_n, g_n \rangle$ is in D, and let $g(\alpha)(\sup(d_{\alpha}))$ be an element of $f(\sup(d_{\alpha})) \setminus \bigcup \{ f_n(\beta) : \beta \in \operatorname{dom}(f_n), n < \omega \}$.

One can check that $\langle f, g \rangle$ is a lower bound of the $\langle f_n, g_n \rangle$'s.

The following is immediate from the definition of \mathbb{L}_{κ} and Lemmas 2.5, 2.6.

LEMMA 2.7. Let G be (V, \mathbb{L}_{κ}) -generic. In V[G], $\omega_1^{V[G]} = \omega_1^V$ and $cf(\alpha) = \omega_1$ for every $\alpha \in (E_{>\omega}^{\kappa})^V$. Let $\vec{c} = \bigcup \{f : \exists g(\langle f, g \rangle \in G)\}$. Then \vec{c} is a ladder system on $(E_{\omega}^{\kappa})^V$. Define the function h by dom $(h) = \bigcup \{ \operatorname{dom}(g) : \exists f(\langle f, g \rangle \in G) \}$, and for $\alpha \in \operatorname{dom}(h)$, $h(\alpha) = \bigcup \{g(\alpha) : \exists f(\langle f, g \rangle \in G), \alpha \in \operatorname{dom}(g))\}$. Then h is a function with dom $(h) = (E_{>\omega}^{\kappa})^V$, and for every $\alpha \in \operatorname{dom}(h)$, $h(\alpha)$ is an injection, dom $(h(\alpha))$ is a club in α , and $h(\alpha)(\beta) \in c_{\beta}$ for every $\beta \in \operatorname{dom}(h_{\alpha})$. So if $\kappa = \omega_2^{V[G]}$, then the function h witnesses that \vec{c} is a non-reflecting ladder system on S_0^2 .

LEMMA 2.8. If $\lambda^{\omega} < \kappa$ for every $\lambda < \kappa$, then \mathbb{L}_{κ} satisfies the κ -c.c.

PROOF. Take $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathbb{L}_{\kappa}$ with size κ . By the Δ -system lemma and the pigeonhole principle, we can find $\mathcal{F}' \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ such that:

- (1) $|\mathcal{F}'| = \kappa$.
- (2) There exists $R_0 \in [\kappa]^{\omega}$ such that for each distinct $\langle f, g \rangle, \langle f', g' \rangle \in \mathcal{F}', \operatorname{dom}(f) \cap \operatorname{dom}(f') = R_0$ and $f|R_0 = f'|R_0$.
- (3) There exists $R_1 \in [\kappa]^{\omega}$ such that for each distinct $\langle f, g \rangle, \langle f', g' \rangle \in \mathcal{F}', \operatorname{dom}(g) \cap \operatorname{dom}(g') = R_1$ and $g | R_1 = g' | R_1$.

We see that every pair from \mathcal{F}' is compatible. Take distinct $\langle f, g \rangle, \langle f', g' \rangle \in \mathcal{F}'$. Then define $\langle f^*, g^* \rangle$ as follows:

- (1) $\operatorname{dom}(f^*) = \operatorname{dom}(f) \cup \operatorname{dom}(f'), f^* | \operatorname{dom}(f) = f \text{ and } f^* | \operatorname{dom}(f') = f'.$
- (2) $\operatorname{dom}(g^*) = \operatorname{dom}(g) \cup \operatorname{dom}(g'), g^* | \operatorname{dom}(g) = g \text{ and } g^* | \operatorname{dom}(g') = g'.$

Then we can check that $\langle f^*, g^* \rangle$ is a common extension of $\langle f, g \rangle$ and $\langle f', g' \rangle$.

3. Destroying the stationarity of non-reflecting subsets.

In this section, we study a poset which destroys the stationarity of non-reflecting subsets of $S^{\vec{c}}$.

We define a club shooting into $[\omega_2]^{\omega}$ with countable approximations, which was observed in Sakai [12].

DEFINITION 3.1. Let \mathbb{C} be the poset which consists of all functions $p: d(p) \times d(p) \rightarrow \omega_1$ such that $d(p) \in [\omega_2]^{\omega}$. For $p, q \in \mathbb{C}$, let $p \leq q \iff p \supseteq q$.

For $S \subseteq [\omega_2]^{\omega}$, let $\mathbb{C}(S)$ be the suborder of \mathbb{C} which consists of all $p \in \mathbb{C}$ with the property that $\forall x \subseteq d(p) \ (x \in S \Rightarrow x \text{ is not closed under } p)$.

LEMMA 3.2. (1) For every $x \in [\omega_2]^{\omega}$, the set $\{p \in \mathbb{C}(S) : x \subseteq d(p)\}$ is dense open in $\mathbb{C}(S)$.

- (2) Let G be (V, \mathbb{P}) -generic and $f = \bigcup G$. Then f is a function from $(\omega_2)^V \times (\omega_2)^V$ to $(\omega_1)^V$, and there is no $x \in S$ closed under f.
- (3) $\mathbb{C}(S)$ satisfies $(2^{\omega})^+$ -c.c.

PROOF. (1) Take $x \in [\omega_2]^{\omega}$ and $q \in \mathbb{C}(S)$. Then let $a = d(q) \cup x$ and fix $\alpha \in \omega_1 \setminus a$. Define p as follows: $p : a \times a \to \omega_1$, $p(\beta_0, \beta_1) = q(\beta_0, \beta_1)$ if $\langle \beta_0, \beta_1 \rangle \in d(q) \times d(q)$, and $p(\beta_0, \beta_1) = \alpha$ otherwise. Clearly $p \supseteq q$. We have to check that $p \in \mathbb{C}(S)$. Take $x \in S$ and $x \subseteq d(p) = a$. If $x \subseteq d(q)$, then x is not closed under q, and is not under p. Suppose $x \not\subseteq d(q)$. Fix $\beta \in x \setminus d(q)$. Then $p(\beta, \beta) = \alpha \notin d(p)$, so x cannot be closed under p.

(2) follows from (1).

(3) Let $\{p_i : i < (2^{\omega})^+\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}(S)$. By the Δ -system lemma, we may assume that $\{d(p_i) : i < (2^{\omega})^+\}$ forms a Δ -system with root R. Moreover, by a standard pigeonhole argument, we may assume that $p_i|(R \times R) = p_j|(R \times R)$ for every $i < j < (2^{\omega})^+$. We check that for every $i < j < (2^{\omega})^+$, p_i is compatible with p_j . Let $a = d(p_i) \cup d(p_j)$, and fix $\alpha \in \omega_1 \setminus a$. Define q as follows: $q : a \times a \to \omega_1$, $q(\beta_0, \beta_1) = p_i(\beta_0, \beta_1)$ if $\langle \beta_0, \beta_1 \rangle \in d(p_i) \times d(p_i), q(\beta_0, \beta_1) = p_j(\beta_0, \beta_1)$ if $\langle \beta_0, \beta_1 \rangle \in d(p_j) \times d(p_j)$, and $q(\beta_0, \beta_1) = \alpha$ otherwise. This q is well-defined since $p_i|(R \times R) = p_j|(R \times R)$. We see that $q \in \mathbb{C}(S)$,

and then clearly $q \leq p_i, p_j$. Take $x \subseteq d(q) = a$. If $x \subseteq d(p_i)$ then x is not closed under p_i , hence is not q. The case $x \subseteq d(p_j)$ is the same. Suppose $x \not\subseteq d(p_i)$ and $x \not\subseteq d(p_j)$. Pick $\beta_0 \in x \setminus d(p_i)$ and $\beta_1 \in x \setminus d(p_j)$. Then $q(\beta_0, \beta_1) = \alpha \notin a$, hence x cannot be closed under q.

Now we assume that there is a non-reflecting ladder system \vec{c} on S_0^2 . From now on, we will work with a fixed non-reflecting ladder system \vec{c} on S_0^2 . Let $\mathcal{S}^* = \mathcal{S}^{\vec{c}}$. $\mathcal{S}^* \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is non-stationary in $[\alpha]^{\omega}$ for every $\alpha \in S_1^2$. We show that if $S \subseteq \mathcal{S}^*$ is a non-reflecting subset, then $\mathbb{C}(S)$ has good properties.

LEMMA 3.3. For $x, y \in S^*$, if $x \cap \omega_1 = y \cap \omega_1$ and $\sup(x) = \sup(y)$ then x = y.

PROOF. Let $\alpha = \sup(x) = \sup(y)$. We know $c_{\alpha} \subseteq x \cap y$. For each $\beta \in c_{\alpha}$, we have $x \cap \beta = \pi_{\beta} (x \cap \omega_1) = \pi_{\beta} (y \cap \omega_1) = y \cap \beta$. c_{α} is unbounded in α , so we have x = y. \Box

LEMMA 3.4. Let θ be a sufficiently large regular cardinal, and $M \prec H_{\theta}$ a countable model containing all relevant objects. Suppose $M \cap \omega_2 \notin S^*$.

- (1) For $x \in S^*$, if $x \cap \omega_1 < M \cap \omega_1$ and $\sup(x) \in M$ then $x \in M$.
- (2) For every $x \in S^*$, if $x \subseteq M \cap \omega_2$ and $x \notin M$, then $x = M \cap \alpha$ for some $\alpha \in M \cap \omega_2$.
- (3) If $S \in M$ is a non-reflecting subset of S^* , then for every $x \in S$ with $x \subseteq M \cap \omega_2$, it holds that $x \in M$.

PROOF. First note that $M \cap \omega_2 \in \mathcal{C}^*$, hence we have $c_{\sup(M \cap \omega_2)} \nsubseteq M \cap \omega_2$. (1) follows from Lemma 3.3.

For (2), we have that $\sup(x) < \sup(M \cap \omega_2)$ since $c_{\sup(x)} \subseteq x$ but $c_{\sup(M \cap \omega_2)} \nsubseteq M \cap \omega_2$. Let $\alpha = \min((M \cap \omega_2) \setminus x) \in M$. We show $x = M \cap \alpha$.

First we see that $\alpha = \sup(x)$. If $\alpha > \sup(x)$, then $\operatorname{cf}(\alpha) > \omega$. Since \vec{c} is a nonreflecting ladder system, there is an injection $f \in M$ such that $\operatorname{dom}(f)$ is a club in α and $f(\beta) \in c_{\beta}$ for every $\beta \in \operatorname{dom}(f)$. We have $\sup(x) = \sup(M \cap \alpha) \in \operatorname{dom}(f)$. Let $\gamma = f(\sup(x))$. We have $\gamma \in M$ since $x \subseteq M$. Then $\sup(x)$ is definable in M as "the unique $\beta \in \operatorname{dom}(f)$ with $f(\beta) = \gamma$ ", so $\sup(x) \in M$. This is a contradiction. Therefore we have $\sup(x) = \alpha \in M$. If $x \cap \omega_1 < M \cap \omega_1$, then $x \in M$ by (1). This is a contradiction. So $x \cap \omega_1 = M \cap \omega_1$. It is easy to see that $M \cap \alpha \in S^*$, hence $x = M \cap \alpha$ by Lemma 3.3.

For (3), take $x \in S$ with $x \subseteq M \cap \omega_2$. If $x \notin M$, then $x = M \cap \alpha$ for some $\alpha \in M \cap \omega_2$ by (2). Since S is non-reflecting, $S \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is non-stationary. So there is a \subseteq -increasing continuous cofinal sequence $\langle x_i : i < \omega_1 \rangle$ in $[\alpha]^{\omega}$ such that $\langle x_i : i < \omega_1 \rangle \in M$ and $S \cap \{x_i : i < \omega_1\} = \emptyset$. By the elementarity of M, we have $x_{M \cap \omega_1} = M \cap \alpha$. However $M \cap \alpha = x \in S$, this is a contradiction.

LEMMA 3.5. Let $S \subseteq S^*$ be a non-reflecting set. Then $\mathbb{C}(S)$ is $[\omega_2]^{\omega} \setminus S^*$ -complete.

PROOF. Take a countable $M \prec H_{\theta}$ such that $M \cap \omega_2 \in [\omega_2]^{\omega} \setminus S^*$ and M contains all relevant objects. Let $\langle p_n : n < \omega \rangle$ be an $(M, \mathbb{C}(S))$ -generic sequence. Let $p = \bigcup_{n < \omega} p_n$. We see that $p \in \mathbb{C}(S)$, this completes the proof. Since $\langle p_n : n < \omega \rangle$ is $(M, \mathbb{C}(S))$ -generic, p is a function from $(M \cap \omega_2) \times (M \cap \omega_2)$ to ω_1 . To see that $p \in \mathbb{C}(S)$, take $x \subseteq d(p) = M \cap \omega_2$ with $x \in S$. Since $M \cap \omega_2 \in [\omega_2]^{\omega} \setminus S^*$, we have $x \in M$ by Lemma 3.4. The set

 $\{q \in \mathbb{C}(S) : x \subseteq d(q)\}$ is dense open in $\mathbb{C}(S)$ and belongs to M, hence there is n with $x \subseteq d(p_n)$. x is not closed under p_n , hence is not closed under p.

Next we consider a countable support iteration of club shootings. Let l be an ordinal and $\langle \mathbb{P}_{\xi}, \dot{\mathbb{Q}}_{\eta} : \eta < \xi \leq l \rangle$ be a countable support iteration such that for $\eta < l$, $\Vdash_{\mathbb{P}_{\eta}} ``\dot{\mathbb{Q}}_{\eta}$ is of the form $\mathbb{C}(\dot{S}_{\eta})$ for some non-reflecting subset \dot{S}_{η} of \mathcal{S}^{*} . Then by Fact 1.13, \mathbb{P}_{l} is $[\omega_{2}]^{\omega} \setminus \mathcal{S}^{*}$ -complete, hence is σ -Baire. Under CH, we show that \mathbb{P}_{ξ} satisfies the ω_{2} -c.c. and more for every $\xi \leq l$.

LEMMA 3.6. Suppose CH. Let l be an ordinal and $\langle \mathbb{P}_{\xi}, \dot{\mathbb{Q}}_{\eta} : \eta < \xi < l \rangle$ be a countable support iteration such that for $\eta < l$, $\Vdash_{\mathbb{P}_{\eta}} ``\dot{\mathbb{Q}}_{\eta}$ is of the form $\mathbb{C}(\dot{S}_{\eta})$ for some non-reflecting subset \dot{S}_{η} of \mathcal{S}^* . Let D be the set of all $p \in \mathbb{P}_{\xi}$ such that for all $\eta \in \text{supp}(p)$, $p(\eta)$ is the canonical name for some $r \in \mathbb{C}$. Then the following hold:

- (1) \mathbb{P}_l is $[\omega_2]^{\omega} \setminus \mathcal{S}^*$ -complete.
- (2) \mathbb{P}_l satisfies the ω_2 -c.c.
- (3) D is dense in \mathbb{P}_l .
- (4) Let $M \prec H_{\theta}$ be countable such that $M \cap \omega_2 \in [\omega_2]^{\omega} \setminus S^*$ and M contains all relevant objects. Let $\langle p_n : n < \omega \rangle$ be an (M, \mathbb{P}_l) -generic sequence such that $p_n \in D$ for every n. For $n < \omega$ and $\eta \in \operatorname{supp}(p_n)$, let $r_{n,\eta}$ be the function such that $p_n(\eta)$ is the canonical name for $r_{n,\eta}$. Let $p \in \mathbb{P}_l$ be the function defined by dom(p) = l, $p(\eta) = \emptyset$ for $\eta \notin M \cap l$, and for $\eta \in M \cap l$, $p(\eta)$ is the canonical name for $\bigcup \{r_{n,\eta} : n < \omega, \eta \in \operatorname{supp}(p_n)\}$. Then p is a lower bound of the p_n 's.

PROOF. We prove the assertions by induction on l. For each $\xi < l$, suppose the following induction hypotheses:

- (a) \mathbb{P}_{ξ} is $[\omega_2]^{\omega} \setminus \mathcal{S}^*$ -complete.
- (b) \mathbb{P}_{ξ} satisfies the ω_2 -c.c.
- (c) Let $D_{\xi} = \{p \in \mathbb{P}_{\xi} : \forall \eta \in \operatorname{supp}(p) (p(\eta) \text{ is the canonical name for some } r \in \mathbb{C})\}$. Then D_{ξ} is dense in \mathbb{P}_{ξ} .
- (d) Let $M \prec H_{\theta}$ be countable such that $M \cap \omega_2 \in [\omega_2]^{\omega} \setminus S^*$ and M contains all relevant objects. Let $\langle p_n : n < \omega \rangle$ be an (M, \mathbb{P}_{ξ}) -generic sequence such that $p_n \in D_{\xi}$ for every n. For $n < \omega$ and $\eta \in \operatorname{supp}(p_n)$, let $r_{n,\eta}$ be the function such that $p_n(\eta)$ is the canonical name for $r_{n,\eta}$. Let $p \in \mathbb{P}_{\xi}$ be the function defined by dom $(p) = \xi$, $p(\eta) = \emptyset$ for $\eta \notin M \cap \xi$, and for $\eta \in M \cap \xi$, $p(\eta)$ is the canonical name for $\bigcup \{r_{n,\eta} : n < \omega, \eta \in$ $\operatorname{supp}(p_n)\}$. Then p is a lower bound of the p_n 's.

The assertion (1) follows from Fact 1.13.

To prove (2)-(4), first suppose *l* is limit.

To see that (3) holds, take an arbitrary $q \in \mathbb{P}_l$. We will find $p \leq q$ with $p \in D$. Take a countable $M \prec H_\theta$ such that $M \cap \omega_2 \in [\omega_2]^\omega \setminus S^*$ and M contains all relevant objects. Take an (M, \mathbb{P}_l) -generic sequence $\langle p_n : n < \omega \rangle$ with $p_0 \leq q$. Fix an increasing sequence $\langle \xi_n : n < \omega \rangle$ in $M \cap l$ with $\sup\{\xi_n : n < \omega\} = \sup(M \cap l)$. Since each D_{ξ_n} is dense in \mathbb{P}_{ξ_n} , we may assume that $p_n | \xi_n \in D_{\xi_n}$.

For each $n < \omega$ and $\eta \in \operatorname{supp}(p_n) \cap \xi_n$, let $r_{n,\eta}$ be the function such that $p_n(\eta)$ is the canonical name for $r_{n,\eta}$. Then define p as follows: dom(p) = l, $p(\eta) = \emptyset$ if $\eta \notin M \cap l$, and

for $\eta \in M \cap l$, $p(\eta)$ is the canonical name for $\bigcup \{r_{n,\eta} : n < \omega, \eta \in \operatorname{supp}(p_n) | \xi_n \}$. By the induction hypothesis (d), $p|\eta$ is a lower bound of the $p_n|\eta$'s for every $\eta \in M \cap l$. Then clearly p is a lower bound of the p_n 's and $p \in D$.

The assertion (4) follows from the same argument.

For (2), as Lemma 3.2, apply a standard Δ -system argument with D.

Next we deal with the case that l is successor, say $l = \xi + 1$. By the induction hypothesis (b), \mathbb{P}_{ξ} is σ -Baire. So the assertion (3) is clear. Note that \mathbb{P}_{ξ} forces CH and preserves ω_2 by the induction hypotheses. Hence \mathbb{P}_{ξ} forces that " $\dot{\mathbb{Q}}_{\xi}$ satisfies the ω_2 -c.c." by Lemma 3.2. Then it is immediate that $\mathbb{P}_l = \mathbb{P}_{\xi} * \dot{\mathbb{Q}}_{\xi}$ satisfies the ω_2 -c.c.

For (4), take a countable $M \prec H_{\theta}$ such that $M \cap \omega_2 \in [\omega_2]^{\omega} \setminus S^*$ and M contains all relevant objects. Take an (M, \mathbb{P}_l) -generic sequence $\langle p_n : n < \omega \rangle$ such that $p_n \in D$ for every n. Note that $p_n | \xi \in D_{\xi}$. For $n < \omega$ and $\eta \in \operatorname{supp}(p_n)$, let $r_{n,\eta}$ be the function such that $p_n(\eta)$ is the canonical name for $r_{n,\eta}$. Let $p \in \mathbb{P}_l$ be the function defined by dom(p) = $l, p(\eta) = \emptyset$ for $\eta \notin M \cap l$, and for $\eta \in M \cap l, p(\eta)$ is the canonical name for $\bigcup \{r_{n,\eta} :$ $n < \omega, \eta \in \operatorname{supp}(p_n)\}$. The sequence $\langle p_n | \xi : n < \omega \rangle$ is an (M, \mathbb{P}_{ξ}) -generic sequence with $p_n | \xi \in D_{\xi}$, hence $p | \xi$ is a lower bound of the $p_n | \xi$'s by the induction hypothesis (d). Then $p | \xi$ is an (M, \mathbb{P}_{ξ}) -generic condition. Take an (V, \mathbb{P}_{ξ}) -generic filter G with $p | \xi \in G$ and work in V[G]. We have $M[G] \cap \omega_2 = M \cap \omega_2 \in [\omega_2]^{\omega} \setminus S^*$ and $\langle (p_n(\xi))_G : n < \omega \rangle$ is an $(M[G], \mathbb{Q}_{\xi})$ -generic sequence, where $(p_n(\xi))_G$ is the interpretation of the \mathbb{P}_{ξ} -name $p_n(\xi)$ by G. By Lemma 3.5, \mathbb{Q}_{ξ} is $[\omega_2]^{\omega} \setminus S^*$ -complete. Hence $\langle (p_n(\xi))_G : n < \omega \rangle$ has a lower bound $\bigcup_{n < \omega} (p_n(\xi))_G \in \mathbb{Q}_{\xi}$. Now we have $\bigcup_{n < \omega} (p_n(\xi))_G = (p(\xi))_G$. This argument shows that, in V, the condition p is a lower bound of the p_n 's.

By Facts 1.11 and 1.13, we also have the following:

LEMMA 3.7. Under the same assumptions in Lemma 3.6, \mathbb{P}_l is ω_1 -stationary preserving.

Combining \mathbb{L}_{ω_2} with an iteration of club shootings above and a standard bookkeeping method, we have the following. A similar result was already obtained by Sakai [12].

PROPOSITION 3.8. Suppose GCH. Then there exists an ω_3 -stage countable support iteration \mathbb{P} such that \mathbb{P} is σ -Baire, satisfies the ω_2 -c.c., and forces that "there exists a ladder system \vec{c} on S_0^2 such that WRP($\mathcal{S}^{\vec{c}}$) holds but RP($\mathcal{S}^{\vec{c}}$) fails".

4. Partial strong Chang's conjecture.

Recall that strong Chang's conjecture is the assertion that for every sufficiently large cardinal θ , every well-ordering Δ on H_{θ} , every countable $M \prec \langle H_{\theta}, \in, \Delta, \ldots \rangle$, and every $\alpha < \omega_2$, there is a countable $N \prec \langle H_{\theta}, \in, \Delta, \ldots \rangle$ such that $M \subseteq N$, $\sup(N \cap \omega_2) \ge \alpha$, and $M \cap \omega_2$ is a proper initial segment of $N \cap \omega_2$. It is known that SSR implies strong Chang's conjecture, and strong Chang's conjecture is a large cardinal property as implying the usual Chang's conjecture. We prove that if there is some stationary $S \subseteq [\omega_2]^{\omega}$ such that WRP(S) holds but RP(S) fails, then very weak form of strong Chang's conjecture holds. We will use Lemma 4.1 below to prove Theorem 1.7.

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LEMMA 4.1. Suppose that there is a stationary set $S \subseteq [\omega_2]^{\omega}$ such that WRP(S) holds, but $S \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is non-stationary in $[\alpha]^{\omega}$ for every $\alpha \in S_1^2$. Let θ be a sufficiently large regular cardinal and Δ a well-ordering on H_{θ} . Let $\mathcal{M} = \langle H_{\theta}, \in, \Delta, S, \ldots \rangle$. Then there is an expansion \mathcal{M}' of \mathcal{M} such that for every countable $\mathcal{M} \prec \mathcal{M}'$, if $\mathcal{M} \cap \omega_2 \in S$ then there is a countable $\mathcal{N} \prec \mathcal{M}'$ such that $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{N}, \ \mathcal{M} \cap \omega_2 = \mathcal{N} \cap \sup(\mathcal{M} \cap \omega_2)$ and $\sup(\mathcal{M} \cap \omega_2) \in \mathcal{N}$, hence $\mathcal{M} \cap \omega_2$ is a proper initial segment of $\mathcal{N} \cap \omega_2$.

PROOF. For $x \subseteq H_{\theta}$, let $Sk^{\mathcal{M}}(x)$ denote the Skolem hull of x under the structure \mathcal{M} . Let X be the set of all countable $M \prec \mathcal{M}$ such that $M \cap \omega_2 \in S$ and $M \cap \omega_2 \neq Sk^{\mathcal{M}}(M \cup \{\sup(M \cap \omega_2)\}) \cap \sup(M \cap \omega_2)$. It is enough to see that X is non-stationary in $[H_{\theta}]^{\omega}$; Fix a club $D \subseteq [H_{\theta}]^{\omega}$ with $X \cap D = \emptyset$, and expand \mathcal{M} to $\mathcal{M}' = \langle H_{\theta}, \in, \Delta, S, D, \ldots \rangle$. Then for every countable $M \prec \mathcal{M}'$, we have $M \in D$, hence $M \cap \omega_2 = Sk^{\mathcal{M}}(M \cup \{\sup(M \cap \omega_2)\}) \cap \sup(M \cap \omega_2)$. Now we know $Sk^{\mathcal{M}}(M \cup \{\sup(M \cap \omega_2)\}) \cap \omega_2 = Sk^{\mathcal{M}'}(M \cup \{\sup(M \cap \omega_2)\}) \cap \omega_2$ (e.g., see Lemma 24 in [4]), where $Sk^{\mathcal{M}'}(M \cup \{\sup(M \cap \omega_2)\})$ is the Skolem hull of $M \cup \{\sup(M \cap \omega_2)\}$ under the structure \mathcal{M}' . Let $N = Sk^{\mathcal{M}'}(M \cup \{\sup(M \cap \omega_2)\}) \prec \mathcal{M}'$. Then $M \subseteq N, N \cap \sup(M \cap \omega_2) = M \cap \omega_2$, and $\sup(M \cap \omega_2) \in N$. So the structure \mathcal{M}' is as required.

Suppose to the contrary that X is stationary in $[H_{\theta}]^{\omega}$. By Fodor's lemma, we can find a Skolem term t and $x_0, \ldots, x_n \in H_{\theta}$ such that the set $Y = \{M \in X : x_0, \ldots, x_n \in M, t(x_0, \ldots, x_n, \sup(M \cap \omega_2)) < \sup(M \cap \omega_2)$ but not in $M \cap \omega_2\}$ is stationary in $[H_{\theta}]^{\omega}$. Let $Z = \{M \cap \omega_2 : M \in Y\}$. Z is a stationary subset of S. Since WRP(S) holds and $S \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is non-stationary for every $\alpha \in S_1^2$, we can find $\alpha \in S_0^2$ such that $Z \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is stationary in $[\alpha]^{\omega}$. Pick $x \in Z \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ with $\sup(x) = \alpha$, and take $M \in Y$ with $x = M \cap \omega_2$. We have $\sup(M \cap \omega_2) = \sup(x) = \alpha$, so $t(x_0, \ldots, x_n, \alpha) < \alpha$ but $t(x_0, \ldots, x_n, \alpha)$ is not in x. However, since $cf(\alpha) = \omega$ and $Z \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is stationary, we can find $x \in Z \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ such that $\sup(x) = \alpha$ and $t(x_0, \ldots, x_n, \alpha) \in x$. This is a contradiction.

5. Proof of Theorem 1.6.

We start the proof of Theorem 1.6. Suppose that κ is weakly compact and GCH holds. Let $\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}_{\kappa}$. Take a (V, \mathbb{L}) -generic G and work in V[G]. Note that $\kappa = \omega_2$ and GCH holds in V[G]. Let \vec{c} be a non-reflecting ladder system on S_0^2 induced by G. Let $S^* = S^{\vec{c}}$. S^* is stationary in $[\kappa]^{\omega}$ and $S^* \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is non-stationary for every $\alpha \in S_1^2$. Finally, choose a κ^+ -stage countable support iteration of $([\kappa]^{\omega} \setminus S^*)$ -complete club shootings \mathbb{P}_{κ^+} from Section 3 such that \mathbb{P}_{κ^+} forces WRP (S^*) holds. The poset \mathbb{P}_{κ^+} is σ -Baire and satisfies the κ -c.c. Take a $(V[G], \mathbb{P}_{\kappa^+})$ -generic H. In V[G][H], we have that FRP (ω_2) fails, S^* is stationary, and WRP (S^*) holds. Thus, in order to see that WRP (ω_2) holds, it is enough to show that WRP $([\kappa]^{\omega} \setminus S^*)$ holds.

We show the following weak but sufficient assertion:

LEMMA 5.1. For $\xi < \kappa^+$, let $H_{\xi} = H \cap \mathbb{P}_{\xi}$ be the $(V[G], \mathbb{P}_{\xi})$ -generic filter induced by H. Then in $V[G][H_{\xi}]$, $\mathrm{WRP}([\kappa]^{\omega} \setminus \mathcal{S}^*)$ holds.

The theorem follows from this lemma. Let $T \subseteq [\kappa]^{\omega} \setminus S^*$ be stationary. Since $|T| = \kappa = \omega_2$ and \mathbb{P}_{κ^+} satisfies the κ -c.c., there is some $\xi < \kappa^+$ such that $T \in V[G][H_{\xi}]$. By the lemma, there is some $\alpha < \omega_2$ such that $T \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is stationary in $V[G][H_{\xi}]$. The tail poset $\mathbb{P}_{\xi,\kappa^+}$ is also $([\kappa]^{\omega} \setminus S^*)$ -complete. Because of Lemma 3.7, the tail poset $\mathbb{P}_{\xi,\kappa^+}$ preserves the stationarity of $T \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$, hence $T \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is stationary in V[G][H].

To show the lemma, fix $\xi < \kappa^+$. Return to V. Let $\mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{L} * \mathbb{P}_{\xi}$. Fix a sufficiently large regular θ and choose $M \prec H_{\theta}$ such that $|M| = \kappa \subseteq M$, ${}^{<\kappa}M \subseteq M$, and M contains all relevant objects. Now, because κ is weakly compact, we can find a transitive model N of ZFC⁻ and an elementary embedding $j: M \to N$ such that the critical point of j is κ and ${}^{<\kappa}N \subseteq N$. We notice that $\mathbb{Q} \in N$, because $|\mathbb{Q}| = \kappa$ and $\mathcal{P}(\kappa)^M \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\kappa)^N$.

Consider the map $i = j | \mathbb{Q}$ from \mathbb{Q} to $j(\mathbb{Q})$.

CLAIM 5.2. *i is a complete embedding.*

PROOF. Since \mathbb{Q} satisfies the κ -c.c. and has size κ , every maximal antichain of \mathbb{Q} lies in M. Moreover, for every maximal antichain A of \mathbb{Q} , we know $i^*A = j(A)$. This shows that i^*A is maximal in $j(\mathbb{Q})$.

We work in $V[G][H_{\xi}]$. In $V[G][H_{\xi}]$, it is known that $M[G][H_{\xi}] \prec H_{\theta}^{V[G][H_{\xi}]}$. Moreover, since M and N are closed under $< \kappa$ -sequences and \mathbb{Q} satisfies the κ -c.c., $M[G][H_{\xi}]$ and $N[G][H_{\xi}]$ are closed under $< \kappa$ -sequences in $V[G][H_{\xi}]$.

Now we consider the quotient poset $\mathbb{R} = j(\mathbb{Q})/G * H_{\xi}$, where $\mathbb{R} = j(\mathbb{Q})/G * H_{\xi}$ is the suborder of $j(\mathbb{Q})$ consisting of all $q \in j(\mathbb{Q})$ which is compatible with i(q') for every $q' \in G * H_{\xi}$. We can identify \mathbb{R} with the forcing product $j(\mathbb{L})/G * j(\mathbb{P}_{\xi})/H_{\xi}$.

CLAIM 5.3. (1) \mathbb{R} is σ -Baire in $V[G][H_{\xi}]$.

(2) Let $\lambda \geq \kappa$ be a cardinal and $T \subseteq [\lambda]^{\omega}$ stationary in $[\lambda]^{\omega}$ such that $x \cap \kappa \notin S^*$ for every $x \in T$. Then \mathbb{R} preserves the stationarity of T.

For (2), we need only the special case $\lambda = \kappa$ of Claim 5.3 in this section, but we will the case $\lambda > \kappa$ in the next section.

If this Claim 5.3 is verified, we can prove that WRP($[\kappa]^{\omega} \setminus S^*$) holds in $V[G][H_{\xi}]$ as follows: Fix a stationary $T \subseteq [\kappa]^{\omega} \setminus S^*$. We may assume that $T \in M[G][H_{\xi}]$. Take a $(V[G][H_{\xi}], j(\mathbb{Q})/G * H_{\xi})$ -generic $j(G) * j(H_{\xi})$ and work in $V[G * H_{\xi}][j(G) * j(H_{\xi})] =$ $V[j(G) * j(H_{\xi})]$. Then $j : M \to N$ can be extended to $j : M[G][H_{\xi}] \to N[j(G)][j(H_{\xi})]$. Now \mathbb{R} is σ -Baire, hence $j(\mathbb{Q})$ is σ -Baire in V. Since N is closed under $< \kappa$ -sequences and $j(\mathbb{Q})$ is σ -Baire in $V, N[j(G)][j(H_{\xi})]$ is closed under ω -sequences in $V[j(G) * j(H_{\xi})]$, so $[\kappa]^{\omega} = ([\kappa]^{\omega})^{N[j(G)][j(H_{\xi})]}$. Consider $j(T) \cap [\kappa]^{\omega}$. We know that $j(T) \cap [\kappa]^{\omega} = T \in$ $N[j(G)][j(H_{\xi})]$ and T is stationary in $[\kappa]^{\omega}$ by Claim 5.3. So $N[j(G)][j(H_{\xi})]$ satisfies the statement that there is some $\alpha < j(\kappa)$ such that $j(T) \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is stationary in $[\alpha]^{\omega}$. By the elementarity of $j, M[G][H_{\xi}]$ satisfies the statement that there is some $\alpha < \kappa$ such that $T \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is stationary in $[\alpha]^{\omega}$. Since $M[G][H_{\xi}] \prec H_{\theta}^{V[G][H_{\xi}]}, T \cap [\alpha]^{\omega}$ is in fact stationary in $V[G][H_{\xi}]$.

Now we start the proof of Claim 5.3. Fix a cardinal $\lambda \geq \kappa$ and a stationary set $T \subseteq [\lambda]^{\omega}$ in $[\lambda]^{\omega}$ such that $x \cap \kappa \notin S^*$ for every $x \in T$. First we see that $j(\mathbb{L})/G$ is σ -Baire in $V[G][H_{\xi}]$ and preserves the stationarity of T. The following is straightforward.

SUBCLAIM 5.4. For $\langle f,g \rangle \in j(\mathbb{L})$, $\langle f|\kappa,g|\kappa \rangle \in \mathbb{L}$, and $\langle f,g \rangle \in j(\mathbb{L})/G$ if and only if $\langle f|\kappa,g|\kappa \rangle \in G$.

Let D be a σ -closed dense subset of \mathbb{L} from Lemma 2.6. We may assume that $D \in M$. j(D) is dense in $j(\mathbb{L})$, hence $j(D) \cap (j(\mathbb{L})/G)$ is dense in $j(\mathbb{L})/G$. Take $p \in j(\mathbb{L})/G$. Fix another sufficiently large regular cardinal $\chi > \theta$ and take a countable $\overline{M} \prec H_{\chi}$ containing all relevant objects and $\overline{M} \cap \lambda \in T$. We may assume that $\overline{M} \cap (H_{\chi})^V \prec (H_{\chi})^V$. The following subclaim immediately shows that $j(\mathbb{L})/G$ is σ -Baire and preserves the stationarity of T.

SUBCLAIM 5.5. For every $(\overline{M}, j(\mathbb{L})/G)$ -generic sequence $\langle p_n : n < \omega \rangle$ with $p_0 \leq p$, there is an $(\overline{M}, j(\mathbb{L})/G)$ -generic condition \overline{p} such that, \overline{p} is a lower bound of the p_n 's, and, letting $\overline{p} = \langle f, g \rangle$, $\sup(\overline{M} \cap j(\kappa)) \in \operatorname{dom}(f)$ and $f(\sup(\overline{M} \cap j(\kappa))) \notin \overline{M} \cap j(\kappa)$.

PROOF OF SUBCLAIM. Take an $(\overline{M}, j(\mathbb{L})/G)$ -generic sequence $\langle p_n : n < \omega \rangle$ in $j(\mathbb{L})/G$ with $p_0 \leq p$. We know that $\langle p_n : n < \omega \rangle$ is an $(\overline{M} \cap (H_{\chi})^V, j(\mathbb{L}))$ -generic sequence. Let $p_n = \langle f_n, g_n \rangle$. Since $\kappa \in \overline{M}$, we may assume that $\min(j(E_{\omega}^{\kappa}) \setminus \kappa) \in \operatorname{dom}(f_n)$ for every $n < \omega$. We also may assume that $\langle f_n, g_n \rangle \in j(D)$, this means that $\max(\operatorname{dom}(g_n(\alpha))) > \kappa$ for every $\alpha \in \operatorname{dom}(g_n) \setminus \kappa$. Take a lower bound $\langle f', g' \rangle \in G$ of the $\langle f_n | \kappa, g_n | \kappa \rangle$'s with $\sup(\overline{M} \cap \kappa) \in \operatorname{dom}(f')$. For $n < \omega$, let $f_n^* = f_n | [\kappa, j(\kappa))$ and $g_n^* = g_n | [\kappa, j(\kappa))$. Then we define $\overline{p} = \langle f, g \rangle \in j(\mathbb{L}_{\kappa})$ as in Lemma 2.6 with the following modifications:

- (1) $f|\kappa = f'$.
- (2) $\operatorname{dom}(f)|[\kappa, j(\kappa)) = \bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(f_n^*) \cup \lim(\bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(f_n^*)) \cup \{\sup(\overline{M} \cap j(\kappa))\}.$
- (3) For $\alpha \in \bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(f_n^*)$, $f(\alpha) = f_n^*(\alpha)$ for some $n < \omega$ with $\alpha \in \operatorname{dom}(f_n^*)$.
- (4) For $\alpha \notin \bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(f_n^*)$ (note that $\alpha > \kappa$), $f(\alpha)$ is a cofinal subset of α with $\operatorname{ot}(f(\alpha)) = \omega$ and $f(\alpha) \nsubseteq \bigcup \{f_n^*(\beta) : \beta \in \operatorname{dom}(f_n^*), n < \omega\}$, and if $\alpha = \sup(\overline{M} \cap j(\kappa))$, we require that $f(\alpha) \nsubseteq \overline{M}$.
- (5) $g|\kappa = g'$.
- (6) $\operatorname{dom}(g)|[\kappa, j(\kappa)) = \bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(g_n^*).$
- (7) For $\alpha \in \bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(g_n^*)$, let $d_\alpha = \bigcup \{ \operatorname{dom}(g_n^*(\alpha)) : n < \omega, \alpha \in \operatorname{dom}(g_n) \}$. Then $\operatorname{dom}(g(\alpha)) = d_\alpha \cup \{ \operatorname{sup}(d_\alpha) \}$. For $\beta \in d_\alpha$, let $g(\alpha)(\beta) = g_n^*(\alpha)(\beta)$, where $n < \omega$ is minimal with $\beta \in \operatorname{dom}(g_n^*(\alpha))$. When $\operatorname{sup}(d_\alpha) \notin d_\alpha$, we consider the following two cases to decide the value of $g(\alpha)(\operatorname{sup}(d_\alpha))$:
 - (a) If $\sup(d_{\alpha}) \notin d_{\alpha}$ and $\alpha > \kappa$, then $\sup(d_{\alpha}) > \kappa$, and the value of $f(\sup(d_{\alpha}))$ was assigned as in (4). Let $g(\alpha)(\sup(d_{\alpha}))$ be an element of $f(\sup(d_{\alpha})) \setminus \bigcup \{f_n^*(\beta) : \beta \in \operatorname{dom}(f_n^*), n < \omega\}.$
 - (b) If $\sup(d_{\alpha}) \notin d_{\alpha}$ and $\alpha = \kappa$, then $\sup(d_{\alpha}) = \sup(\overline{M} \cap \kappa) < \kappa$, and $f(\sup(d_{\alpha})) = f'(\sup(d_{\alpha})) = \vec{c}_{\sup(d_{\alpha})}$. So the value of $f(\sup(d_{\alpha}))$ was already assigned by G. But since $\overline{M} \cap \kappa \notin S^*$, we have that $f(\sup(d_{\alpha})) = \vec{c}_{\sup(d_{\alpha})} \notin \overline{M} \cap \kappa$. Thus we can take $\gamma \in f(\sup(d_{\alpha})) \setminus \overline{M} \cap \kappa$, and put $g(\alpha)(\sup(d_{\alpha})) = \gamma$.

Since N is closed under $< \kappa$ -sequences in V and $V[G][H_{\xi}]$ is a σ -Baire forcing extension of V, N is closed under ω -sequences in $V[G][H_{\xi}]$. So we have $\langle\langle f_n, g_n \rangle : n < \omega \rangle \in N$, and $\langle f, g \rangle \in N$. Then it is straightforward to check that $\langle f, g \rangle \in j(\mathbb{L})/G$ and is a lower bound of the $\langle f_n, g_n \rangle$'s. By the choice of the $\langle f_n, g_n \rangle$'s, $\langle f, g \rangle$ is a generic condition for \overline{M} below p.

Now take an arbitrary $(V[G][H_{\xi}], j(\mathbb{L})/G)$ -generic j(G) and work in $V[G][H_{\xi}][j(G)]$. We know that T is stationary in $V[G][H_{\xi}][j(G)]$. Next we see that $j(\mathbb{P}_{\xi})/H_{\xi}$ is σ -

Baire and preserves the stationarity of T, which completes the proof of Claim 5.3. In $V[G][H_{\xi}][j(G)], j: M \to N$ can be extended to $j: M[G] \to N[j(G)]$. Observe that the following:

- (1) The cofinality of κ is collapsed to ω_1 .
- (2) There is a club $C \subseteq \kappa$ and an injection f on C such that $f(\alpha) \in c_{\alpha} = j(\vec{c})_{\alpha}$ for every $\alpha \in (E_{\omega}^{\kappa})^{V}$. In particular \mathcal{S}^{*} is non-stationary in $[\kappa]^{\omega}$.
- (3) N[j(G)] and $N[j(G)][H_{\xi}]$ are still closed under ω -sequences in $V[G][H_{\xi}][j(G)]$.
- (4) $j(\mathcal{S}^*) \cap [\kappa]^{\omega} = \mathcal{S}^*.$
- (5) By Subclaim 5.5, for every $\mu > \lambda + j(\kappa)$, the set $\{x \in [\mu]^{\omega} : x \cap \lambda \in T, x \cap j(\kappa) \notin j(\mathcal{S}^*)\}$ is stationary in $[\mu]^{\omega}$.

Now, by Lemma 3.6, we can identify \mathbb{P}_{ξ} with a poset which consists of functions p with $\operatorname{dom}(p) \in [\xi]^{\omega}$ and $p(\eta) \in \mathbb{C}$ for every $\eta \in \operatorname{dom}(p)$. Where we identify the domain of p with its support.

For $p \in j(\mathbb{P}_{\xi})$ (so p is a function with dom $(p) \in [j(\xi)]^{\omega}$), let \hat{p} be the function defined by dom $(\hat{p}) = j^{-1}$ "(dom(p)), and $\hat{p}(\alpha) = p(j(\alpha)) | \kappa \times \kappa$ for $\alpha \in \text{dom}(\hat{p})$.

SUBCLAIM 5.6. Let $p \in j(\mathbb{P}_{\xi})$. Then $\hat{p} \in \mathbb{P}_{\xi}$, and $p \in j(\mathbb{P}_{\xi})/H_{\xi}$ if and only if $\hat{p} \in H_{\xi}$.

PROOF. We see only $\hat{p} \in \mathbb{P}_{\xi}$, the rest is straightforward.

If $\hat{p} \notin \mathbb{P}_{\xi}$, then there are $\eta \in \operatorname{dom}(\hat{p})$ and $x \in S^*$ such that $\hat{p}|\eta \in \mathbb{P}_{\eta}$ but there is some $q \leq \hat{p}|\eta$ with $q \Vdash_{\mathbb{P}_{\eta}} ``x \subseteq d(\hat{p}(\eta)), x \in \dot{S}_{\eta}$ and x is closed under $\hat{p}(\eta)$ ". Consider $j(\hat{p}|\eta+1)$. We have $j(\hat{p}|\eta+1) = j(\hat{p}|\eta) (\hat{j}(\hat{p}(\eta)))$. Since $\hat{p}|\eta \in \mathbb{P}_{\eta}$, we have $j(\hat{p}|\eta) \in j(\mathbb{P}_{\eta})$, and $p|j(\eta) \leq j(\hat{p}|\eta)$ by the definition of \hat{p} . On the other hand, j(q) is compatible with $p|j(\eta)$; For every $\zeta \in \operatorname{dom}(j(q)) \cap \operatorname{dom}(p|j(\eta))$, we have that $j(q)(\zeta)$ is compatible with $p(\zeta)$ as a function since $q \leq \hat{p}$. Then we can construct a natural common extension of j(q) and $p|j(\eta)$ using the argument in the proof of Lemma 3.2.

We know $j(q) \Vdash (j(x) \subseteq j(d(\hat{p}(\eta))), j(x) \in j(S_{\eta}) \text{ and } j(x) \text{ is closed under } j(\hat{p}(\eta))^{"}.$ Since j(q) is compatible with $p|j(\eta)$, there is $r \leq j(q), p|j(\eta)$ which forces that statement. Now, $j(x) = x, j(\hat{p}(\eta)) = \hat{p}(\eta) = p(j(\eta))|\kappa \times \kappa$, and $j(d(\hat{p}(\eta))) = d(\hat{p}(\eta)) = d(p(j(\eta))) \cap \kappa$. Hence $r \Vdash (p(j(\eta)) \notin j(\mathbb{C}(S_{\eta})))^{"}$, this is a contradiction.

To show that $j(\mathbb{P}_{\xi})/H_{\xi}$ is σ -Baire and preserves the stationarity of T, take $p \in j(\mathbb{P}_{\xi})/H_{\xi}$, a large regular χ , and a countable $\overline{M} \prec H_{\chi}$ such that $\overline{M} \cap \lambda \in T$ and \overline{M} contains all relevant objects. Take an $(\overline{M}, j(\mathbb{P}_{\xi})/H_{\xi})$ -generic sequence $\langle p_n : n < \omega \rangle$ such that $p_0 \leq p$. We will find an $(\overline{M}, j(\mathbb{P}_{\xi})/H_{\xi})$ -generic condition which is a lower bound of the p_n 's. This shows that $j(\mathbb{P}_{\xi})/H_{\xi}$ is σ -Baire and preserves the stationarity of T.

By Subclaim 5.5, we can require that $\overline{M} \cap j(\kappa) \notin j(\mathcal{S}^*)$. Fix $\mu \in N[j(G)]$ such that μ is regular in N[j(G)] and sufficiently larger than $j(\kappa)$ in N[j(G)]. We may assume that $(H_{\mu})^{N[j(G)]} \in \overline{M}$. Let $M' = \overline{M} \cap (H_{\mu})^{N[j(G)]}$. Then $M' \in N[j(G)]$, $M' \prec (H_{\mu})^{N[j(G)]}$, and $\overline{M} \cap j(\kappa) = M' \cap j(\kappa) \notin j(\mathcal{S}^*)$. Then $\langle p_n : n < \omega \rangle \in N[j(G)]$ and is an $(M', j(\mathbb{P}_{\xi}))$ -generic sequence. Applying Lemma 3.6 to M' in N[j(G)], the p_n 's have a lower bound p^* in $j(\mathbb{P}_{\xi})$ defined by:

(1) $\operatorname{dom}(p^*) = \bigcup_{n < \omega} \operatorname{dom}(p_n).$

(2) For every $\eta \in \operatorname{dom}(p^*)$, $p^*(\eta) = \bigcup \{p_n(\eta) : n < \omega, \eta \in \operatorname{dom}(p_n)\}$.

Then, since $\hat{p_n} \in H_{\xi}$ for every $n < \omega$, it is easy to see that $\hat{p^*} \in H_{\xi}$, so $p^* \in j(\mathbb{P}_{\xi})/H_{\xi}$. This completes the proof of Claim 5.3, hence so does the proof of Theorem 1.6.

REMARK 5.7. $2^{\omega_1} > \omega_2$ holds in the final model, and this cardinal arithmetic is necessary; Koenig–Larson–Yoshinobu [9] showed that if $2^{\omega_1} = \omega_2$, then WRP(ω_2) is equivalent to RP(ω_2).

6. Proof of Theorem 1.7.

Suppose GCH, and let κ be a supercompact cardinal. Let $\mathbb{L}_{\kappa} * \mathbb{P}_{\kappa^+}$ be the poset used in the previous section. So it forces that $\kappa = \omega_2$, WRP(ω_2), but \neg FRP(ω_2). We see that this poset also forces SSR.

To see this, fix a (V, \mathbb{L}_{κ}) -generic G and a $(V[G], \mathbb{P}_{\kappa^+})$ -generic H. Work in V[G][H]. Fix $\lambda > \kappa$ and we check that $SSR(\lambda)$ holds in V[G][H]. Take a semi-stationary set $S \subseteq [\lambda]^{\omega}$. Let $T = \{x \in [\lambda]^{\omega} : \exists y \in S (y \subseteq x \text{ and } y \cap \omega_1 = x \cap \omega_1)\}$. T is stationary in $[\lambda]^{\omega}$.

As before, let \vec{c} be a non-reflecting ladder system induced by G and let $S^* = S^{\vec{c}}$.

First suppose that $\{x \in T : x \cap \kappa \notin S^*\}$ is stationary in $[\lambda]^{\omega}$. In V, take a λ supercompact embedding $j : V \to N$ with critical point κ . Consider $j(\mathbb{L}_{\kappa} * \mathbb{P}_{\kappa^+})/G *$ H. Then, by the same argument used in the proof of Claim 5.3, we can prove that $j(\mathbb{L}_{\kappa} * \mathbb{P}_{\kappa^+})/G * H$ preserves the stationarity of T. For a $(V[G][H], j(\mathbb{L}_{\kappa} * \mathbb{P}_{\kappa^+})/G * H)$ generic j(G) * j(H), we can extend $j : V \to N$ to $j : V[G][H] \to N[j(G)][j(H)]$. Since T is stationary in $V[j(G) * j(H)], j(T) \cap [j^*\lambda]^{\omega}$ is also stationary in $[j^*\lambda]^{\omega}$. Then in $N[j(G)][j(H)], j^*\lambda$ witnesses that the statement that there is $X \in [j(\lambda)]^{\omega_1}$ such that $\omega_1 \subseteq X$ and $j(T) \cap [X]^{\omega}$ is stationary in $[X]^{\omega}$. By the elementarity of j, in V[G][H], we have that there is $X \in [\lambda]^{\omega_1}$ such that $\omega_1 \subseteq X$ and $T \cap [X]^{\omega}$ is stationary in $[X]^{\omega}$. Then in clearly $S \cap [X]^{\omega}$ is semi-stationary in $[X]^{\omega}$.

Hence it is enough to check that $\{x \in T : x \cap \kappa \notin S^*\}$ must be stationary in $[\lambda]^{\omega}$. If $\{x \in T : x \cap \kappa \in S^*\}$ is non-stationary, we are done. Suppose it is stationary. Take a club D in $[\lambda]^{\omega}$. We will find $x \in T \cap D$ with $x \cap \kappa \notin S^*$.

Fix a sufficiently large regular cardinal θ and a well-ordering Δ on H_{θ} . Let $\mathcal{M} = \langle H_{\theta}, \in, \Delta, \mathcal{C}^*, \mathcal{S}^*, T, D, \ldots \rangle$. By Lemma 4.1, we may assume that for every countable $M \prec \mathcal{M}$, if $M \cap \kappa \in \mathcal{S}^*$, then there is a countable $N \prec \mathcal{M}$ such that $M \subseteq N, M \cap \kappa = N \cap \sup(M \cap \kappa)$, and $\sup(M \cap \kappa) \in N$.

Now take a countable $M_0 \prec \mathcal{M}$ with $M_0 \cap \lambda \in T$. We know $M_0 \cap \lambda \in T \cap D$. If $M_0 \cap \kappa \notin S^*$, we are done. Suppose $M_0 \cap \kappa \in S^*$. Then there is a countable $M_1 \prec \mathcal{M}$ such that $M_0 \subseteq M_1, M_0 \cap \kappa = M_1 \cap \sup(M_0 \cap \kappa)$, and $\sup(M_0 \cap \kappa) \in M_1$. Note that $M_1 \cap \lambda \in T \cap D$. If $M_1 \cap \kappa \notin S^*$, we are done. Otherwise, take a countable $M_2 \prec \mathcal{M}$ as before for M_1 . We repeat this procedure. Now suppose $i < \omega_1$ and $\langle M_j : j < i \rangle$ was chosen so that:

(1) $M_j \prec \mathcal{M}$ is countable with $M_j \cap \lambda \in T \cap D$ and $M_j \cap \kappa \in \mathcal{S}^*$.

- (2) For $j < k < i, M_j \subseteq M_k, M_j \cap \kappa = M_k \cap \sup(M_j \cap \kappa)$, and $\sup(M_j \cap \kappa) \in M_k$.
- (3) If j is limit, then $M_j = \bigcup_{k < j} M_k$.

If *i* is limit, then let $M_i = \bigcup_{j < i} M_j$. If *i* is successor, since $M_{i-1} \cap \kappa \in S^*$, we can take a countable $M_i \prec \mathcal{M}$ such that $M_{i-1} \subseteq M_i$, $M_{i-1} \cap \kappa = M_i \cap \sup(M_{i-1} \cap \kappa)$, and $\sup(M_{i-1} \cap \kappa) \in M_i$. We know that $M_i \cap \lambda \in T \cap D$, and if $M_i \cap \kappa \notin S^*$, then we stop this construction and $M_i \cap \lambda$ is as required. So suppose to the contrary that we can take $\langle M_i : i < \omega_1 \rangle$. Let $M = \bigcup_{i < \omega_1} M_i$. Then $\operatorname{ot}(M \cap \kappa) = \omega_1$, and $M \cap \sup(M_i \cap \kappa) = M_i \cap \kappa$. By the choice of the M_i 's, we have that $\{\sup(M_i \cap \kappa) : i < \omega_1\}$ is a club in $\sup(M \cap \kappa)$. Let $E = \{i < \omega_1 : i = \operatorname{ot}(M_i \cap \kappa)\}$. *E* is a club in ω_1 . Since \vec{c} is a non-reflecting ladder system, there is an injection f such that $\operatorname{dom}(f)$ is a club in $\sup(M \cap \kappa)$ and $f(\alpha) \in c_\alpha$ for every $\alpha \in \operatorname{dom}(f)$. Note that $f(\sup(M_i \cap \kappa)) \in c_{\sup(M_i \cap \kappa)} \subseteq M_i \cap \kappa = M \cap \sup(M_i \cap \kappa)$ for every $i \in E$. Let E' be the set of all $i \in E$ with $\sup(M_i \cap \kappa) \in \operatorname{dom}(f)$, and let $g : E' \to \omega_1$ by $g(i) = \beta \iff f(\sup(M_i \cap \kappa))$ is the β -th element of $M \cap \kappa$. g is regressive. Thus we can find β_0 such that $\{i \in E : g(i) = \beta_0\}$ is stationary. So there are i < j such that $\sup(M_i \cap \kappa)$, $\sup(M_j \cap \kappa) \in \operatorname{dom}(f)$ but $f(\sup(M_i \cap \kappa)) = f(\sup(M_j \cap \kappa))$, this is a contradiction.

Therefore we have that there is some *i* such that $M_i \cap \lambda \in T \cap D$ but $M_i \cap \kappa \notin S^*$, so $M_i \cap \lambda$ is as required. Now we complete the proof of Theorem 1.7.

QUESTION 6.1. We have known that SSR does not imply $RP(\omega_2)$ nor $FRP(\omega_2)$. But the following are unknown:

- (1) Does WRP imply $FRP(\omega_2)$ or FRP?
- (2) Does WRP imply $RP(\omega_2)$ or RP?

7. Appendix.

In this section we give a proof of Fact 1.11. We prove a slightly stronger result.

PROPOSITION 7.1. Let $\kappa \geq \omega_2$ be regular, $S \subseteq \{\alpha < \kappa : cf(\alpha) = \omega\}$ stationary in κ , and $E \subseteq \omega_1$ stationary in ω_1 . Let \vec{c} be a ladder system on S. Then the set $\{x \in [\kappa]^{\omega} : x \cap \omega_1 \in E, \sup(x) \in S, c_{\sup(x)} \notin x\}$ is stationary in $[\kappa]^{\omega}$.

To prove this, fix a function $f : [\kappa]^{<\omega} \to \kappa$. We will find $x \in [\kappa]^{\omega}$ such that $x \cap \omega_1 \in E$, $\sup(x) \in S$, $c_{\sup(x)} \nsubseteq x$, and x is closed under f.

For $x \in [\kappa]^{\omega}$, let $C_f(x)$ be the closure of x under f.

For $i < \omega_1$, we consider the following two players game Γ_i of length ω , which is a variant of Veličković's game in [16]:

ONE	$lpha_0,eta_0$		α_1, β_1		 _
TWO		γ_0, δ_0		γ_1, δ_1	

Where $\alpha_n < \beta_n < \gamma_n < \delta_n < \alpha_{n+1} < \kappa$. For a play $\langle \alpha_n, \beta_n, \gamma_n, \delta_n : n < \omega \rangle$, ONE wins if $C_f(\{\alpha_n : n < \omega\} \cup i) \cap \omega_1 = i$ and $C_f(\{\alpha_n : n < \omega\} \cup i) \cap \bigcup_{n < \omega} [\gamma_n, \delta_n] = \emptyset$, otherwise TWO wins. Clearly the game Γ_i is open for TWO, so it is a determined game.

LEMMA 7.2. Let $E_0 = \{i < \omega_1 : player \text{ ONE } has a winning strategy in <math>\Gamma_i\}$. Then E_0 contains a club in ω_1 .

PROOF. Suppose to the contrary that $\omega_1 \setminus E_0$ is stationary in ω_1 . For each $i \in \omega_1 \setminus E_0$, TWO has a winning strategy σ_i in Γ_i . Fix a sufficiently large regular θ . Take elementary submodels $M_n \prec H_\theta$ for $n < \omega$ such that:

- (1) M_n contains all relevant objects.
- (2) $|M_n| < \kappa, M_n \cap \kappa \in \kappa$, and $cf(M_n \cap \kappa) > \omega$.
- (3) $M_0 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq M_2 \subseteq \cdots$ and $M_0 \cap \kappa < M_1 \cap \kappa < M_2 \cap \kappa < \cdots$.

Fix $\alpha_0 \in M_0 \cap \kappa$ and $\alpha_{n+1} \in (M_{n+1} \cap \kappa) \setminus M_n$ for $n < \omega$. Since $\omega_1 \setminus E_0$ is stationary, there is $i \in \omega_1 \setminus E_0$ such that $C_f(\{\alpha_n : n < \omega\} \cup i) \cap \omega_1 = i$. Let $x = C_f(\{\alpha_n : n < \omega\} \cup i)$. We have $\sup(x) = \sup\{M_n \cap \kappa : n < \omega\}$. Since $\operatorname{cf}(M_n \cap \kappa) > \omega$ but x is countable, there is $\beta_n \in M_n \cap \kappa$ with $\sup(x \cap M_n \cap \kappa) < \beta_n < M_n \cap \kappa$. Note that $i \in M_0, \alpha_n < \beta_n < M_n \cap \kappa \leq \min(x \setminus (M_n \cap \kappa)) \leq \alpha_{n+1}, \text{ and } \langle \alpha_j, \beta_j : j \leq n \rangle \in M_n$ for $n < \omega$. Let $\langle \gamma_n, \delta_n \rangle = \sigma_i(\langle \alpha_j, \beta_j : j \leq n \rangle) \in M_n$. Since $\gamma_n, \delta_n \in M_n$, we have $\gamma_n < \delta_n < M_n \cap \kappa < \alpha_{n+1}$. Hence $\langle \alpha_n, \beta_n, \gamma_n, \delta_n : n < \omega \rangle$ is a play in Γ_i such that $\langle \gamma_n, \delta_n \rangle = \sigma_i(\langle \alpha_j, \beta_j : j \leq n \rangle)$. σ_i is a winning strategy of TWO, thus $x \cap [\gamma_n, \delta_n] \neq \emptyset$ for some $n < \omega$. But $\sup(x \cap M_n \cap \kappa) < \beta_n < \gamma_n < \delta_n < M_n \cap \kappa \leq \min(x \setminus M_n \cap \kappa)$, this is a contradiction.

Now we construct $x \in [\kappa]^{\omega}$ such that $x \cap \omega_1 \in E$, $\sup(x) \in S$, $c_{\sup(x)} \notin x$, and x is closed under f. Take a countable $M \prec H_{\theta}$ such that $\sup(M \cap \kappa) \in S$ and M contains all relevant objects. Fix an increasing sequence $\langle \eta_n : n < \omega \rangle$ with limit $\sup(M \cap \kappa)$. By Lemma 7.2, there is $i \in E \cap M$ such that ONE has a winning strategy $\sigma \in M$ in Γ_i . Then define a sequence $\langle \alpha_n, \beta_n, \delta_n, \gamma_n : n < \omega \rangle$ in M as follows: First let $\langle \alpha_0, \beta_0 \rangle = \sigma(\emptyset) \in M$. Then take $\gamma_0, \delta_0 \in M \cap \kappa$ such that $\beta_0, \eta_0 < \gamma_0$ and $c_{\sup(M \cap \kappa)} \cap [\gamma_0, \delta_0] \neq \emptyset$. Put $\langle \alpha_1, \beta_1 \rangle = \sigma(\langle \gamma_0, \delta_0 \rangle)$, and take $\gamma_1, \delta_1 \in M \cap \kappa$ such that $\beta_1, \eta_1 < \gamma_1$ and $c_{\sup(M \cap \kappa)} \cap [\gamma_1, \delta_1] \neq \emptyset$. Repeat this procedure. Let $x = C_f(\{\alpha_n : n < \omega\} \cup i)$. Then $x \cap \omega_1 = i \in E$, $\sup(x) = \sup(M \cap \kappa) \in S$, and $c_{\sup(M \cap \kappa)} \notin x$.

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