

Tanaka's Theorem Revisited

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Abstract

Tanaka (1997) proved a powerful generalization of Friedman's self-embedding theorem that states that given a countable nonstandard model $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ of the subsystem WKL_0 of second order arithmetic, and any element m of \mathcal{M} , there is a self-embedding j of $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ onto a proper initial segment of itself such that j fixes every predecessor of m .

Here we extend Tanaka's work by establishing the following results for a countable nonstandard model $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ of WKL_0 and a proper cut I of \mathcal{M} :

Theorem A. *The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (a) *I is closed under exponentiation.*
- (b) *There is a self-embedding j of $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ onto a proper initial segment of itself such that I is the longest initial segment of fixed points of j .*

Theorem B. *The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (a) *I is a strong cut of \mathcal{M} and $I \prec_{\Sigma_1} \mathcal{M}$.*
- (b) *There is a self-embedding j of $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ onto a proper initial segment of itself such that I is the set of all fixed points of j .*

1 Introduction

One of the fundamental results concerning nonstandard models of Peano arithmetic (PA) is Friedman's theorem [4, Theorem 4.4] that states every countable nonstandard model of PA is isomorphic to a proper initial segment of itself. A notable generalization of Friedman's theorem was established by Tanaka [13] for models of the well-known subsystem WKL_0 of second order arithmetic, who established:

Theorem 1.1. (Tanaka) *Suppose $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ is a countable nonstandard model of WKL_0 .*

(a) There is a proper initial segment I of \mathcal{M} and an isomorphism j between $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ and (I, \mathcal{A}_I) , where $\mathcal{A}_I := \{A \cap I : A \in \mathcal{A}\}$.

(b) Given any prescribed m in \mathcal{M} , there is an I and j as in (a) such that $j(x) = x$ for all $x \leq m$.

Tanaka’s principal motivation in establishing Theorem 1.1 was the development of non-standard methods within WKL_0 in the context of the reverse mathematics research program; for example Tanaka and Yamazaki [14] used Theorem 1.1 to show that the Haar measure over compact groups can be implemented in WKL_0 via a detour through nonstandard models. This is in contrast to the previously known constructions of the Haar measure whose implementation required the stronger subsystem ACA_0 . Other notable applications of the methodology of nonstandard models can be found in the work of Sakamoto and Yokoyama [11], who showed that over the subsystem RCA_0 the Jordan curve theorem and the Schönflies theorem are equivalent to WKL_0 ; and in the work of Yokoyama and Horiata [8], who established the equivalence of ACA_0 and Riemann’s mapping theorem for Jordan regions over WKL_0 .

Here we continue our work [1] on the study of fixed point sets of self-embeddings of countable nonstandard models of IS_1 by focusing on the behavior of fixed point sets in Tanaka’s theorem. Our methodology can be generally described as an amalgamation of Enayat’s strategy for proving Tanaka’s theorem [3] with some ideas and results from [1].¹ Before stating our results, recall that j is said to be a proper initial self-embedding of $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ if there is a proper initial segment I of \mathcal{M} and an isomorphism j between $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ and (I, \mathcal{A}_I) , where $\mathcal{A}_I := \{A \cap I : A \in \mathcal{A}\}$; $I_{\text{fix}}(j)$ is the longest initial segment of fixed points of j ; and $\text{Fix}(j)$ is the fixed point set of j , in other words:

$$I_{\text{fix}}(j) := \{m \in M : \forall x \leq m \ j(x) = x\}, \text{ and} \\ \text{Fix}(j) := \{m \in M : j(m) = m\}.$$

Our main results are Theorems A and B below. Note that Theorem A is a strengthening of Tanaka’s Theorem (see Section 3 for more detail).

Theorem A. *Suppose $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ is a countable nonstandard model of WKL_0 . The following conditions are equivalent for a proper cut I of \mathcal{M} :*

¹Enayat’s paper [3] provides a complete proof of part (a) of Theorem 1.1, and an outline of the proof of part (b) of Theorem 1.1.

- (1) *There is a self-embedding j of $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ such that $I_{\text{fix}}(j) = I$.*
- (2) *I is closed under exponentiation.*
- (3) *There is a proper initial self-embedding j of $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ such that $I_{\text{fix}}(j) = I$.*

Theorem B. *Suppose $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ is a countable nonstandard model of WKL_0 . The following conditions are equivalent for a proper cut I of \mathcal{M} :*

- (1) *There is a self-embedding j of $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ such that $\text{Fix}(j) = I$.*
- (2) *I is a strong cut of \mathcal{M} and $I \prec_{\Sigma_1} \mathcal{M}$.*
- (3) *There is a proper initial self-embedding j of $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ such that $\text{Fix}(j) = I$.*

Theorem A is established in Section 3, and Section 4 is devoted to proving Theorem B.

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2 Preliminaries

In this section we review some definitions and basic results that are relevant to the statements and proofs of our main results.

- WKL_0 is the second order theory whose models are of the form of $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$, where $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ satisfies (1) Induction for Σ_1^0 formulas; (2) Comprehension for Δ_1^0 -formulas; and (3) Weak König's Lemma (which asserts that every infinite subtree of the full binary tree has an infinite branch).
- $\text{Exp} := \forall x \exists y \text{Exp}(x, y)$, where $\text{Exp}(x, y)$ is a Δ_0 -formula that expresses $2^x = y$ within $\text{I}\Delta_0$.
- The binary Δ_0 -formula xEy , known as *Ackermann's membership relation*, expresses “the x -th bit of the binary expansion of y is 1” within $\text{I}\Delta_0$.
- A subset X of M is *coded* in \mathcal{M} iff there is some $a \in M$ such that $X = (a_E)^{\mathcal{M}} := \{x \in M : \mathcal{M} \models xEa\}$.
Given $a \in M$, by \underline{a} we mean the set $\{x \in M : x < a\}$. Note that \underline{a} is coded in \mathcal{M} , where \mathcal{M} is a model of $\text{I}\Delta_0$, provided 2^a exists in \mathcal{M} .
It is well-known that for any $n > 0$ and $\mathcal{M} \models \text{I}\Sigma_n$, if $\varphi(x, a)$ is an

unary Σ_n -formula, where a is a parameter from \mathcal{M} , then the set $\varphi^{\mathcal{M}}(a) := \{b \in M : \mathcal{M} \models \varphi(b, a)\}$ is *piece-wise coded* in \mathcal{M} ; i.e. for every $c \in M$, $\varphi^{\mathcal{M}}(a) \cap \underline{c}$ is coded in \mathcal{M} . More specifically, there is some element less than 2^c which codes $\varphi^{\mathcal{M}}(a) \cap \underline{c}$. Moreover, the above statement holds for $n = 0$ if $\mathcal{M} \models \text{I}\Delta_0 + \text{Exp}$.

- For every cut I of \mathcal{M} , the *I-standard system* of \mathcal{M} , presented by $\text{SSy}_I(\mathcal{M})$, is the family consisting of sets of the form $a_E \cap I$, where $a \in M$; in other words:

$$\text{SSy}_I(\mathcal{M}) = \{(a_E)^{\mathcal{M}} \cap I : a \in M\}.$$

When I is the standard cut, i.e. $I = \mathbb{N}$, we simply write $\text{SSy}(\mathcal{M})$ instead of $\text{SSy}_{\mathbb{N}}(\mathcal{M})$.

- Given a proper cut I of \mathcal{M} , I is called a *strong cut*, if for every coded function f in \mathcal{M} whose domain contains I , there exists some $s \in M$ such that for every $i \in I$ it holds that $f(i) \notin I$ iff $s < f(i)$.
- Sat_{Σ_n} is the arithmetical formula defining the satisfaction predicate for Σ_n -formulas within $\text{I}\Delta_0 + \text{Exp}$. It is well-known that for each positive $n \in \omega$, Sat_{Σ_n} can be expressed by a Σ_n -formula in $\text{I}\Sigma_n$; furthermore, within a model of $\text{I}\Delta_0 + \text{Exp}$ (with the help of a nonstandard parameter if the model is nonstandard), Sat_{Σ_0} (which is also written as Sat_{Δ_0}) is expressible both as a Σ_1 and Π_1 -formula.
- The strong Σ_n -Collection scheme consists of formulas of the following form where φ is a Σ_n -formula:

$$\forall w \forall v \exists z \forall x < v (\exists y \varphi(x, y, w) \rightarrow \exists y < z \varphi(x, y, w)).$$
It is well-known that the strong Σ_n -Collection scheme is provable in $\text{I}\Sigma_n$ for every $n > 0$.
- Every model \mathcal{M} of $\text{I}\Delta_0 + \text{Exp}$ satisfies the *Coded Pigeonhole Principle*, i.e. if $b \in M$, and $f : \underline{b+1} \rightarrow \underline{b}$ is a coded function in \mathcal{M} , then f is not injective.
- By an embedding j from second order model $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ into $(\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{B})$, we mean that j is an embedding from \mathcal{M} into \mathcal{N} such that for every $X \subseteq M$, $X \in \mathcal{A}$ iff $j(X) = Y \cap j(M)$ for some $Y \in \mathcal{B}$.
- When \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{N} are models of arithmetic and b is in M , we write $\mathcal{M} \subseteq_{\text{end}, \Pi_1, \leq b} \mathcal{N}$, when \mathcal{N} is an end extension of \mathcal{M} and all Π_1 -formulas

whose parameters are in $\underline{b+1}$ are absolute in the passage between \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{N} , i.e., $\text{Th}_{\Pi_1}(\mathcal{M}, m)_{m \leq b} = \text{Th}_{\Pi_1}(\mathcal{N}, m)_{m \leq b}$.

Theorem 2.1. ([3, Theorem 3.2]) *Let $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ be a countable model of WKL_0 and let $b \in \mathbb{M}$. Then \mathcal{M} has a countable recursively saturated proper end extension \mathcal{N} satisfying $\text{I}\Delta_0 + \text{Exp} + \text{B}\Sigma_1$ such that $\text{SSy}_{\mathbb{M}}(\mathcal{N}) = \mathcal{A}$, and $\mathcal{M} \subseteq_{\text{end}, \Pi_1, \leq b} \mathcal{N}$.*

Remark 2.2. The proofs of our main results take advantage of the following additional features of the model \mathcal{N} constructed in Enayat's *proof* of Theorem 2.1, namely: given b in \mathcal{M} , there is an elementary chain of models $(\mathcal{N}_n : n \in \omega)$ satisfying the following three properties:

- (i) $\mathcal{N} = \cup_{n \in \omega} \mathcal{N}_n$;
- (ii) For every $n \in \omega$, $\mathcal{M} \subseteq_{\text{end}, \Pi_1, \leq b} \mathcal{N}_n \prec \mathcal{N}$;
- (iii) For every $n \in \omega$ the elementary diagram of $(\mathcal{N}_n, a)_{a \in \mathbb{N}_n}$ is available in $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ via some $\text{ED}_n \in \mathcal{A}$. Note that $\text{Th}((\mathcal{N}_n, a)_{a \in \mathbb{N}_n})$ is a proper subset of ED_n since ED_n includes sentences of nonstandard length.

Remark 2.3. Enayat [3] noted that if $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ is a model of WKL_0 and b is in \mathbb{M} , and there is some end extension \mathcal{N} of \mathcal{M} such that (1) $\mathcal{N} \models \text{I}\Delta_0 + \text{Exp}$, (2) $\text{SSy}_{\mathbb{M}}(\mathcal{N}) = \mathcal{A}$, and (3) there is an initial self-embedding j_1 of \mathcal{N} onto an initial segment that is bounded above by b , then the restriction j of j_1 to \mathcal{M} is an embedding of \mathcal{M} onto an initial segment \mathbb{J} of \mathcal{M} that is below b which has the important feature that j is an isomorphism between $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ and $(\mathbb{J}, \mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{J}})$. Note that if \mathbb{I} is a proper cut of \mathcal{M} , then $\text{I}_{\text{fix}}(j_1) = \mathbb{I}$ implies that $\text{I}_{\text{fix}}(j) = \mathbb{I}$; and $\text{Fix}(j_1) = \mathbb{I}$ implies that $\text{Fix}(j) = \mathbb{I}$.

- The following theorem summarizes some of the results about $\text{I}_{\text{fix}}(j)$ and $\text{Fix}(j)$ from [1] which will be employed in this paper:

Theorem 2.4. Suppose $\mathcal{M} \models \text{I}\Delta_0 + \text{Exp}$ and j is a nontrivial self-embedding of \mathcal{M} . Then:

- (a) $\text{I}_{\text{fix}}(j) \models \text{I}\Delta_0 + \text{B}\Sigma_1 + \text{Exp}$.
- (b) If $\mathcal{M} \models \text{I}\Sigma_1$ then $\text{Fix}(j)$ is a Σ_1 -elementary submodel of \mathcal{M} . Moreover, if $\text{Fix}(j)$ is a proper initial segment of \mathcal{M} , then it is a strong cut of \mathcal{M} .

- Given two countable nonstandard model \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{N} of $\text{I}\Sigma_1$ which share a common proper cut \mathbb{I} , the following theorem from [1, Cor. 3.3.1] provides a useful sufficient condition for existence of a proper initial embedding between \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{N} which fixes each element of \mathbb{I} :

Theorem 2.5. *Let \mathcal{M} , \mathcal{N} and I be as above such that I is closed under exponentiation. The following are equivalent:*

- (1) *There is a proper initial embedding f of \mathcal{M} into \mathcal{N} such that $f(i) = i$ for all $i \in I$.*
- (2) $\text{Th}_{\Sigma_1}(\mathcal{M}, i)_{i \in I} \subseteq \text{Th}_{\Sigma_1}(\mathcal{N}, i)_{i \in I}$ and $\text{SSy}_I(\mathcal{M}) = \text{SSy}_I(\mathcal{N})$.

- Another prominent subsystem of second order arithmetic is ACA_0 , in which the comprehension scheme is restricted to formulas with no second order quantifier. The following results of Paris and Kirby [9] and Gaifman [6, Thm. 4.9-4.11] concerning ACA_0 are employed in the proof of Theorem B.²

Theorem 2.6. (Paris and Kirby) *Suppose $\mathcal{M} \models \text{I}\Delta_0$. The following are equivalent for a proper cut I of \mathcal{M} :*

- (a) *I is a strong cut of \mathcal{M} .*
- (b) $(I, \text{SSy}_I(\mathcal{M})) \models \text{ACA}_0$.

Theorem 2.7. (Gaifman) *Given a countable model $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ of ACA_0 and a linear order \mathbb{L} , there exists an end extension $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}}$ of \mathcal{M} such that there is an isomorphic copy $\mathbb{L}' = \{c_l : l \in \mathbb{L}\}$ of \mathbb{L} in $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}} \setminus \mathcal{M}$, and there is a composition preserving embedding $j \mapsto \hat{j}$ from the semi-group of initial self-embeddings of \mathbb{L} into the semi-group of initial self-embeddings of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}}$ that satisfy the following properties:*

- (a) $\text{SSy}_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}}) = \mathcal{A}$ and $\text{Fix}(\hat{j}) = M$ for each initial self-embedding j of \mathbb{L} that is fixed point free.
- (b) *For each initial self-embedding j of \mathbb{L} , \hat{j} is an **elementary** initial self-embedding of $\mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{L}}$, i.e. $\hat{j}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}}) \preceq_{\text{end}} \mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{L}}$.*
- (c) \mathbb{L}' is downward cofinal in $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}} \setminus M$ if \mathbb{L} has no first element.
- (d) *For any $l_0 \in \mathbb{L}$, l_0 is a strict upper bound for $j(\mathbb{L})$ iff c_{l_0} is a strict upper bound for $\hat{j}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}})$.*

²Gaifman couched his results in terms of arbitrary models of $\text{PA}(\mathcal{L})$ for countable \mathcal{L} . Note that if $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A}) \models \text{ACA}_0$, then the expansion $(\mathcal{M}, A)_{A \in \mathcal{A}}$ of \mathcal{M} is a model of $\text{PA}(\mathcal{L})$, where \mathcal{L} is the extension of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{A}}$ by predicate symbols for each $A \in \mathcal{A}$. Moreover, the collection of subsets of M that are parametrically definable in $(\mathcal{M}, A)_{A \in \mathcal{A}}$ coincides with \mathcal{A} .

3 The longest cut fixed by self-embeddings

This section is devoted to the proof of Theorem A. Recall that if $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ is a model of WKL_0 there are arbitrary large as well as arbitrary small nonstandard cuts in \mathcal{M} that are closed under exponentiation. More specifically, for every nonstandard a in \mathcal{M} , there are nonstandard cuts I_1 and I_2 (as defined below) such that $I_1 < a \in I_2$, and both are closed under exponentiation:

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &:= \{x \in M : 2_n^x < a \text{ for all } n \in \omega\}, \text{ where } 2_0^x := x, \text{ and for every } n \in \omega, \\ &\quad 2_{n+1}^x := 2_n^{2_n^x}; \\ I_2 &:= \{x \in M : x < 2_n^a \text{ for some } n \in \omega\}. \end{aligned}$$

So Theorem A implies that $I_{\text{fix}}(j)$ can be arranged to be as high or as low in the nonstandard part of \mathcal{M} as desired. In particular, Theorem A is a strengthening of Tanaka's Theorem.

Proof of Theorem A. (1) \Rightarrow (2) is an immediate consequence of Theorem 2.4.(a), and (3) \Rightarrow (1) is trivial so we concentrate on establishing (2) \Rightarrow (3).

Assume that I is closed under exponentiation and fix some $a \in M \setminus I$. We leave it as an exercise for the reader to use strong Σ_1 -Collection along with the fact that Sat_{Δ_0} has a Σ_1 -description in \mathcal{M} to show that there is some $b \in M$ such that:

$$(\sharp) \quad \mathcal{M} \models \forall w < a (\exists z \delta(z, w) \rightarrow \exists z < b \delta(z, w)), \text{ for all } \Delta_0\text{-formulas } \delta.$$

Next we invoke Theorem 2.1 to get hold of a countable recursively saturated proper end extension \mathcal{N} of \mathcal{M} such that $\mathcal{N} \models I\Delta_0 + B\Sigma_1 + \text{Exp}$, $\text{SSy}_M(\mathcal{N}) = \mathcal{A}$, and $\mathcal{M} \subseteq_{\text{end}, \Pi_1, \leq b} \mathcal{N}$. Moreover, we will safely assume that the model \mathcal{N} additionally satisfies the three properties listed in Remark 2.2. In light of Remark 2.3, in order to establish (3) it suffices to construct a proper initial self-embedding j of \mathcal{N} such that $j(N) < b$ and $I_{\text{fix}}(j) = I$. The construction of the desired j is the novel element of the proof of Theorem A, which we now turn to.

To construct j we will employ a modification of the strategy employed in the proof of (2) \Rightarrow (3) of [1, Theorem 4.1], using a 3-level back-and-forth method. A modification is needed since we need to overcome the fact that $I\Sigma_1$ need not hold in \mathcal{N} ; instead we will rely on recursive saturation of \mathcal{N} and the properties of \mathcal{N} listed in Remark 2.2. First, note that (\sharp) together with the fact that $\text{Th}_{\Pi_1}(\mathcal{M}, x)_{x \leq b} = \text{Th}_{\Pi_1}(\mathcal{N}, x)_{x \leq b}$, implies:

(*) $\mathcal{N} \models \forall w < a (\exists z \delta(z, w) \rightarrow \exists z < b \delta(z, w))$, for all Δ_0 -formula δ .

Since I is closed under exponentiation, we can choose $\{c_n : n \in \omega\}$ that is downward cofinal in $M \setminus I$ such that $c_0 = a$ and $2^{c_{n+1}} < c_n$ for all $n \in \omega$.

The proof will be complete once we recursively construct finite sequences $\bar{u} := (u_0, \dots, u_{m-1})$ and $\bar{v} := (v_0, \dots, v_{m-1})$ of elements of \mathcal{N} for all $n \in \omega$ such that:

- (i) $u_0 = 0 = v_0$.
- (ii) For every c in N there is some $n \in \omega$ such that $c = u_n$.
- (iii) For every $n \in \omega$, $v_n < b$, and if for some c in N it holds that $c < v_n$, then there is some $m \in \omega$ such that $c = v_m$.
- (iv) For every $m \in \omega$ the following condition holds:
 $(*_m) : \mathcal{N} \models \forall w < c_m (\exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}) \rightarrow \exists z < b \delta(z, w, \bar{v}))$,
for every Δ_0 -formula δ .
- (v) For every $m \in \omega$, there is some $n \in \omega$ such that $u_n < c_m$ and $u_n \neq v_n$.

Note that $(*_0)$ holds thanks to $(*)$ since $c_0 = a$. Let $\{a_n : n \in \omega\}$ and $\{b_n : n \in \omega\}$ respectively be enumerations of element of N and \underline{b} . By statement (i) and $(*_0)$ the first step of induction holds. Suppose for $m \in \omega$, \bar{u} and \bar{v} are constructed such that $(*_m)$ holds. In order to find suitable u_{m+1} and v_{m+1} , by considering congruence modulo 3 we have three cases for $m + 1$: Case 0 takes care of (ii) and (iv), Case 1 takes care of (iii) and (iv), and Case 2 takes care of (v) and (iv).

CASE 0 ($m + 1 = 3k$, for some $k \in \omega$): In this case if a_k is one of the elements of \bar{u} , put $u_{m+1} = u_m$ and $v_{m+1} = v_m$. Otherwise, put $u_{m+1} = a_k$ and define:

$$p(y) := \{y < b\} \cup \{\forall w < c_{m+1} (\exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, a_k) \rightarrow \exists z < b \delta(z, w, \bar{v}, y)) : \delta \text{ is a } \Delta_0\text{-formula}\}.$$

Note that $p(y)$ is a recursive type. Since \mathcal{N} is recursively saturated, it suffices to prove that $p(y)$ is finitely satisfiable and let v_{m+1} be one of the realizations of $p(y)$ in \mathcal{N} . Since $p(y)$ is closed under conjunctions we only need to show that each formula in $p(y)$ is satisfiable. For this purpose, suppose δ is a Δ_0 -formula, and let

$$D := \left\{ w \in \underline{c_{m+1}} : \mathcal{N} \models \exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, a_k) \right\}.$$

We claim that there is some $d < 2^{c_{m+1}}$ which codes D in \mathcal{N} . To see this, we note that in the above definition, \mathcal{N} can be safely replaced by some \mathcal{N}_n , where n is large enough to contain the parameters \bar{u} and a_k (thanks to properties (i) and (ii) in Remark 2.2). On the other hand, by property (iii) in Remark 2.2, there is some $ED_n \in \mathcal{A}$ such that:

$$D = \left\{ w \in \underline{c_{m+1}} : \ulcorner \exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, a_k) \urcorner \in ED_n \right\}.$$

Since $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ satisfies IS_1^0 , the above characterization of D shows that D is coded in \mathcal{M} (and therefore in \mathcal{N}) by some $d < 2^{c_{m+1}}$ (recall that the code of each subset of \underline{m} is below 2^m). Therefore we have:

$$(1) \mathcal{N} \models \forall w < c_{m+1} (wEd \rightarrow \exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, a_k));$$

By putting (1) together with BS_1 in \mathcal{N} , and existentially quantifying a_k we obtain:

$$(2) \mathcal{N} \models \exists t, x \forall w < c_{m+1} (wEd \rightarrow \exists z < t \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, x)).$$

On the other hand, coupling (2) with $(*_m)$ yields:

$$(3) \mathcal{N} \models \exists t, x < b \forall w < c_{m+1} ((wEd \rightarrow \exists z < t \delta(z, w, \bar{v}, x))),$$

which makes it clear that each formula in $p(y)$ is satisfiable in \mathcal{N} .

CASE 1 ($m + 1 = 3k + 1$, for some $k \in \omega$): In this case if $b_k \geq \text{Max}\{\bar{v}\}$ or if it is one of the elements of \bar{v} , put $u_{m+1} = u_m$ and $v_{m+1} = v_m$. Otherwise, put $v_{m+1} = b_k$ and define:

$$q(x) := \{ \forall w < c_{m+1} (\forall z < b \neg \delta(z, w, \bar{v}, b_k) \rightarrow \exists z \neg \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, x)) : \delta \text{ is a } \Delta_0\text{-formula} \}.$$

$q(x)$ is clearly a recursive type and closed under conjunctions, so by recursive saturation of \mathcal{N} it suffices to verify that each formula in $q(x)$ is satisfiable in \mathcal{N} , and let u_{m+1} be one of the realizations of $q(x)$ in \mathcal{N} . Suppose some formula in q is not realizable in \mathcal{N} , then for some Δ_0 -formula δ we have:

$$\mathcal{N} \models \forall x (\exists w < c_{m+1} (\forall z < b \neg \delta(z, w, \bar{v}, b_k) \wedge \exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, x))).$$

Let:

$$R := \left\{ w \in \underline{c_{m+1}} : \mathcal{N} \models \forall z < b \neg \delta(z, w, \bar{v}, b_k) \right\}.$$

Since R is Δ_0 -definable in \mathcal{N} there exists some $r < 2^{c_{m+1}}$ which codes R in \mathcal{N} . Therefore,

$$(4) \mathcal{N} \models \forall x < \text{Max}\{\bar{u}\} (\exists w < c_{m+1} (wEr \wedge \exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, x))),$$

which by Σ_1 -Collection in \mathcal{N} implies:

$$(5) \mathcal{N} \models \exists t \forall x < \text{Max}\{\bar{u}\} (\exists w < c_{m+1} (wEr \wedge \exists z < t \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, x))).$$

Putting (5) together with $(*_m)$ yields:

$$(6) \mathcal{N} \models \exists t < b \forall x < \text{Max}\{\bar{v}\} (\exists w < c_{m+1} (wEr \wedge \exists z < t \delta(z, w, \bar{v}, x))).$$

By substituting b_k for x in (6) we obtain:

$$(7) \mathcal{N} \models \exists t < b \forall x < \text{Max}\{\bar{v}\} (\exists w < c_{m+1} (wEr \wedge \exists z < t \delta(z, w, \bar{v}, b_k))).$$

But (7) contradicts the assumption that r codes R . So $q(x)$ is finitely satisfiable.

CASE 2 ($m+1 = 3k+2$, for some $k \in \omega$): Consider the type $l(x, y) := \{x \neq y, x \leq c_k\} \cup l_0(x, y)$, where:

$$l_0(x, y) := \{\forall w < c_{m+1} (\exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, x) \rightarrow \exists z < b \delta(z, w, \bar{v}, y)) : \delta \text{ is a } \Delta_0\text{-formula}\}.$$

Once we demonstrate that $l(x, y)$ is realized in \mathcal{N} we can define (u_{m+1}, v_{m+1}) as any realization in \mathcal{N} of $l(x, y)$. Since $l_0(x, y)$ is closed under conjunctions and \mathcal{N} is recursively saturated, to show that $l(x, y)$ is realized in \mathcal{N} it suffices to demonstrate that the conjunction of $x \neq y$ and $x \leq c_k$, and each formula in $l_0(x, y)$ is satisfiable in \mathcal{N} . So suppose δ is a Δ_0 -formula and for each $s < c_k$ consider the map F from $\underline{c_k}$ to the power set of $\underline{c_{m+1}}$ by:

$$F(s) := \{w \in \underline{c_{m+1}} : \mathcal{N} \models \exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, s)\}.$$

Thanks to properties (i) through (iii) of \mathcal{N} listed in Remark 2.2, there is some $\text{ED}_n \in \mathcal{A}$ such that:

$$F(s) = \{w \in \underline{c_{m+1}} : \ulcorner \exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, s) \urcorner \in \text{ED}_n\}.$$

Since $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ satisfies IS_1^0 , the above characterization of $F(s)$ together with the veracity of IS_1^0 in $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ makes it clear that F is coded in \mathcal{M} by some f (and therefore in \mathcal{N}) that codes a function from $\underline{c_k}$ to $\underline{2^{c_{m+1}}}$ with $f(s) := \sum_{l \in F(s)} 2^l$. On the other hand the definition of $f(s)$ and the assumption that $2^{c_{n+1}} < c_n$ for all $n \in \omega$ makes it clear that:

$$f(s) \leq \sum_{l < c_{m+1}} 2^l = 2^{c_{m+1}} - 1 < 2^{c_{m+1}} < c_m < c_k.$$

So by the coded pigeonhole principle there are **distinct** $s, s' < c_k$ such that $f(s) = f(s')$, in other words:

$$\mathcal{N} \models \forall w < c_{m+1} (\exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, s) \leftrightarrow \exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, s')).$$

Now by repeating the argument used in Case 0 for (\bar{u}, s, s') we can find some $t, t' < b$ such that:

$$\mathcal{N} \models \forall w < c_{m+1} (\exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, s, s') \rightarrow \exists z < b \delta(z, w, \bar{v}, t, t')).$$

Since $s \neq s'$, either $s \neq t$ or $s \neq t'$. So the conjunction of $x \neq y$, $x \leq c_k$, and each formula in $l_0(x, y)$ is satisfiable in \mathcal{N} , and the proof is complete. \square

4 Cuts which are fixed-point sets of self-embeddings

In this section we present the proof of Theorem B. But before going through the proof, let us point out that a model of WKL_0 does not necessarily carry a cut satisfying statement (2) of Theorem B (see [1, Remark 5.1.1] for an explanation). However, if $\mathcal{M} \models \text{PA}$, there are arbitrarily high strong cuts I in \mathcal{M} such that $I \prec_{\Sigma_1} \mathcal{M}$. To see this when \mathcal{M} is a countable model of PA , let \mathcal{A} be the family of definable subsets of \mathcal{M} . Since $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A}) \models \text{ACA}_0$ and WKL_0 is a subsystem of ACA_0 , by Theorem 1.1 (Tanaka's theorem), for every $a \in M$ there is a cut I containing a such that $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A}) \cong (I, \mathcal{A}_I)$ and $I \prec_{\Sigma_1} \mathcal{M}$. Furthermore, I is strong cut of \mathcal{M} by Theorem 2.6 since $\mathcal{A}_I = \text{SSy}_I(\mathcal{M})$.

Proof of Theorem B. (1) \Rightarrow (2) is an immediate consequence of Theorem 2.4.(b), and (3) \Rightarrow (1) is trivial; so we concentrate on the proof of (2) \Rightarrow (3).

Suppose I is a strong cut in \mathcal{M} and $I \prec_{\text{end}, \Sigma_1} \mathcal{M}$. The proof of (3) is inspired by the proof of [1, Theorem 5.1] and consists of the following four stages:

Stage 1: Fix some $b_0 \in M \setminus I$. Using Theorem 2.1, let \mathcal{N} be a model of $I\Delta_0 + \text{B}\Sigma_1 + \text{Exp}$ such that $\text{SSy}_M(\mathcal{N}) = \mathcal{A}$, $\mathcal{M} \subseteq_{\text{end}, \Pi_1, \leq b_0} \mathcal{N}$, and the three conditions specified in Remark 2.2 hold for \mathcal{N} .

Stage 2: Let \mathbb{Q} be the set of rational numbers with its natural ordering. Since I is a strong cut in \mathcal{M} , by Theorem 2.6, and the case $\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{Q}$ of Theorem 2.7, we can find an elementary end extension $I_{\mathbb{Q}}$ of I such that

$\text{SSy}_I(\mathbb{I}_\mathbb{Q}) = \mathcal{A}$ and $\mathbb{I}_\mathbb{Q} \setminus \mathbb{I}$ contains a copy of $\mathbb{Q}' := \{c_q : q \in \mathbb{Q}\}$ of \mathbb{Q} , and there is a composition preserving embedding $j \mapsto \widehat{j}$ from the semi-group of initial self-embeddings of \mathbb{Q} into the semi-group of initial self-embeddings of $\mathbb{I}_\mathbb{Q}$ that satisfies conditions (a) through (d) of Theorem 2.7. In particular \mathbb{Q}' is downward cofinal in $\mathbb{I}_\mathbb{Q} \setminus \mathbb{I}$.

Stage 3: An initial embedding $k : \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{I}_\mathbb{Q}$ is constructed such that k fixes each element of \mathbb{I} . Note that Theorem 2.5 cannot be invoked for this purpose since $\text{I}\Sigma_1$ need not hold in \mathcal{N} ; instead, we will take advantage of recursive saturation of \mathcal{N} , and the properties of \mathcal{N} listed in Remark 2.2. We will go through construction of k after describing stage 4 of the proof.

Stage 4: The desired self-embedding j satisfying (3) of Theorem B can be readily constructed as follows: Fix some $c_{q_1} < k(b_0)$ in \mathbb{Q}' and let j_1 be a fixed-point free initial embedding of \mathbb{Q} such that $j_1(\mathbb{Q}) < q_1$. Then define $h := k^{-1} \widehat{j_1} k$, and let j be the restriction of h to \mathcal{M} . First, note that by the way j_1 is chosen, h is well-defined and $h(\mathbb{N}) < b_0$. Therefore, j is an isomorphism between \mathcal{M} and a proper cut \mathbb{J} of \mathcal{M} . Moreover, Since $\text{Fix}(\widehat{j_1}) = \mathbb{I}$ (as arranged in Stage 2) and k fixes each element of \mathbb{I} (as arranged in Stage 3), by Remark 2.3 we may conclude that $\text{Fix}(j) = \mathbb{I}$ and j is an isomorphism between $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ and $(\mathbb{J}, \mathcal{A}_\mathbb{J})$.

The above description of the four stages of the proof should make it clear that the proof of condition (3) of Theorem B will be complete once we verify that Stage 3 can be carried out, so we focus on the construction of an initial embedding k of \mathcal{N} into $\mathbb{I}_\mathbb{Q}$ that fixes each element of \mathbb{I} . To do so, we first note that since (i) $\text{I}\Sigma_1$ holds in both \mathcal{M} and $\mathbb{I}_\mathbb{Q}$, (ii) $\text{SSy}_I(\mathcal{M}) = \text{SSy}_I(\mathbb{I}_\mathbb{Q})$, and (iii) $\text{Th}_{\Sigma_1}(\mathcal{M}, i)_{i \in \mathbb{I}} = \text{Th}_{\Sigma_1}(\mathcal{N}_\mathbb{Q}, i)_{i \in \mathbb{I}}$ (because $\mathbb{I} \prec_{\Sigma_1} \mathcal{M}$, and $\mathbb{I} \prec \mathbb{I}_\mathbb{Q}$) by Theorem 2.5 there is a proper initial embedding $f : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{I}_\mathbb{Q}$ such that $f(i) = i$ for each $i \in \mathbb{I}$. In particular, $f(\mathbb{M}) < e$ for some $e \in \mathbb{I}_\mathbb{Q}$. Moreover, since $\text{Th}_{\Pi_1}(\mathcal{M}, x)_{x \leq b_0} = \text{Th}_{\Pi_1}(\mathcal{N}, x)_{x \leq b_0}$ we have:

$$(*_0) : \quad \mathcal{N} \models \exists z \delta(z, w) \Rightarrow \mathbb{I}_\mathbb{Q} \models \exists z < e \delta(z, f(w)), \text{ for all } \Delta_0\text{-formulas } \delta \\ \text{and all } w < b_0.$$

Now choose $\{b_n : n \in \omega\}$ to be a decreasing sequence in $\mathbb{M} \setminus \mathbb{I}$ such that b_0 is the element chosen in Stage 1, and $2^{b_{n+1}} < b_n$ for all $n \in \omega$. In order to construct k , we recursively build finite sequences $\bar{u} := (u_0, \dots, u_m)$ of elements of \mathbb{N} and $\bar{v} := (v_0, \dots, v_m) < e$ for each $m \in \omega$ such that:

- (i) $u_0 = 0 = v_0$.
- (ii) For every c in \mathbb{N} there is some $n \in \omega$ such that $c = u_n$.

(iii) For every $n \in \omega$, $v_n < b$, and if for some c in $I_{\mathbb{Q}}$ it holds that $c < v_n$, then there is some $m \in \omega$ such that $c = v_m$.

(iv) For every $m \in \omega$ the following condition holds:

$(*_m) : \mathcal{N} \models \exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}) \Rightarrow I_{\mathbb{Q}} \models \exists z < e \delta(z, f(w), \bar{v})$ for all Δ_0 -formulas δ and all $w < b_m$

Let $\{a_n : n \in \omega\}$ and $\{d_n : n \in \omega\}$ respectively be enumerations of element of N and $\underline{e} \subset I_{\mathbb{Q}}$, and $\langle \delta_r : r \in M \rangle$ be a canonical enumeration of Δ_0 -formulas in \mathcal{M} . The first step of induction holds thanks to $(*_0)$ and the choice of u_0 and v_0 in statement (i). Next, suppose $\bar{u} := (u_0, \dots, u_m) \in N$ and $\bar{v} := (v_0, \dots, v_m) < e$ are constructed, for given $m \in \omega$. In order to build u_{m+1} and v_{m+1} we distinguish two cases, one handling the ‘forth’ step and the other handling the ‘back’ step of the back-and-forth construction:

CASE 0 ($m+1 = 2k$, for some $k \in \omega$): In this case if a_k is one of elements of \bar{u} , put $u_{m+1} = u_m$ and $v_{m+1} = v_m$. Otherwise, put $u_{m+1} = a_k$ and define:

$$A := \{\langle r, w \rangle < b_{m+1} : \mathcal{N} \models \exists z \text{ Sat}_{\Delta_0}(\delta_r(z, w, \bar{u}, a_k))\}.$$

Note that in the above definition, \mathcal{N} can be safely replaced by some \mathcal{N}_n , where n is large enough to contain the parameters \bar{u} and a_k (thanks to properties (i) and (ii) in Remark 2.2). On the other hand, by property (iii) in Remark 2.2, there is some $\text{ED}_n \in \mathcal{A}$ such that:

$$A = \{\langle r, w \rangle < b_{m+1} : \ulcorner \exists z \text{ Sat}_{\Delta_0}(\delta_r(z, w, \bar{u}, a_k)) \urcorner \in \text{ED}_n\}.$$

Since $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{A})$ satisfies IS_1^0 , the above characterization of A shows that A is coded in \mathcal{N} by some $a < 2^{b_{m+1}}$. Therefore we have:

$$(1) \mathcal{N} \models \forall \langle r, w \rangle < b_{m+1} (\langle r, w \rangle E a \rightarrow \exists z \text{ Sat}_{\Delta_0}(\delta_r(z, w, \bar{u}, a_k))).$$

Recall that $\text{B}\Sigma_1$ holds in \mathcal{N} , and Sat_{Δ_0} has a Σ_1 -description in \mathcal{N} , so (1) allows us to conclude:

$$(2) \mathcal{N} \models \exists t \forall \langle r, w \rangle < b_{m+1} (\langle r, w \rangle E a \rightarrow \exists z < t \text{ Sat}_{\Delta_0}(\delta_r(z, w, \bar{u}, a_k))).$$

By quantifying out a_k in (2) and coupling it with $(*_m)$, we obtain:

$$(3) I_{\mathbb{Q}} \models \exists x, t < e \forall \langle r, w \rangle < f(b_{m+1}) (\langle r, w \rangle E f(a) \rightarrow \exists z < t \text{ Sat}_{\Delta_0}(\delta_r(z, w, \bar{v}, x))).$$

Clearly any element of $I_{\mathbb{Q}}$ that witnesses x in (3) can serve as a suitable candidate for v_{m+1} .

CASE 1 ($m + 1 = 2k + 1$, for some $k \in \omega$): In this case if $d_k \geq \text{Max}\{\bar{v}\}$ or if it is one of the elements of \bar{v} , put $u_{m+1} = u_m$ and $v_{m+1} = v_m$. Otherwise, put $v_{m+1} = b_k$ and define:

$$B := \{\langle r, w \rangle < f(b_{m+1}) : I_{\mathbb{Q}} \models \forall z (\text{Sat}_{\Delta_0}(\delta_r(z, w, \bar{v}, d_k)) \rightarrow b < z)\}.$$

Note that B is Σ_1 -definable in $I_{\mathbb{Q}}$, so there is some $b < 2^{f(b_{m+1})} = f(2^{b_{m+1}})$ which codes B in $I_{\mathbb{Q}}$. Therefore $b = f(c)$ for some $c < 2^{b_{m+1}}$. Define:

$$p(x) := \{\forall w < b_{m+1} (\langle \ulcorner \delta \urcorner, w \rangle Ec \rightarrow \forall z \neg \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, x)) : \delta \text{ is a } \Delta_0\text{-formula}\}.$$

Since \mathcal{N} is recursively saturated and $p(x)$ is recursive, in order to find a suitable element in N which serves as u_{m+1} , it suffices to prove that $p(x)$ is finitely satisfiable. So suppose $p(x)$ is not finitely satisfiable. It can be readily checked that $p(x)$ is closed under conjunction, so we can safely assume there is a Δ_0 -formula δ such that:

$$(4) \mathcal{N} \models \forall x (\exists w < b_{m+1} (\langle \ulcorner \delta \urcorner, w \rangle Ec \wedge \exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, x))).$$

Clearly (4) implies:

$$(5) \mathcal{N} \models \forall x < \text{Max}\{\bar{u}\} (\exists w < b_{m+1} (\langle \ulcorner \delta \urcorner, w \rangle Ec \wedge \exists z \delta(z, w, \bar{u}, x))).$$

We can bound variable z in (5) by using $B\Sigma_1$ in \mathcal{N} , and next employ $(*_m)$ to deduce:

$$(6) I_{\mathbb{Q}} \models \exists t < e \forall x < \text{Max}\{\bar{v}\} (\exists w < f(b_{m+1}) (\langle \ulcorner \delta \urcorner, w \rangle Ef(c) \wedge \exists z < t \delta(z, w, \bar{v}, x))).$$

By replacing x in (6) with d_k , we obtain:

$$(7) I_{\mathbb{Q}} \models \exists t < e (\exists w < f(b_{m+1}) (\langle \ulcorner \delta \urcorner, w \rangle Eb \wedge \exists z < t \delta(z, w, \bar{v}, d_k))).$$

But (7) contradicts the assumption that b codes B in $I_{\mathbb{Q}}$. So $p(x)$ is finitely satisfiable. \square

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