

SOME RESULTS AND ALGEBRAIC APPLICATIONS IN THE
 THEORY OF HIGHER-ORDER ULTRAPRODUCTS

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Introduction Perhaps the chief result of this paper is the higher-order extension, (Theorems 3.11, 3.12), via the ultraproduct construction, of a first-order embedding theorem of Robinson, *cf.* [7], p. 34, Theorem 2.4.1.

Section 1 summarises the higher-order ultraproduct construction and gives a partial answer to the question of necessary and sufficient conditions for the preservation of the 'fullness' property by that construction. Section 2 provides an extension of Łoś's theorem for a first-order ultraproduct and an associated formal language to a higher-order ultraproduct and an associated higher-order language involving a special class of formulae of infinite length. Section 3 develops a number of results involving subsystems of higher-order systems and leads to the embedding theorems. Section 4 illustrates some of these results in two algebraic situations. The first is Stone's representation theorem for non-finite boolean algebras and the second, properties of Sylow (maximal) p -subgroups of locally normal groups.

Terminology Let \mathbf{T} be the class of finite types as described in Kreisel and Krivine [5], pp. 95-101. A (relational) system of order $\tau \in \mathbf{T}$, (hereafter called a τ -system), is a collection $M = \{\mathbf{E}^\sigma \mid \sigma \leq \tau\} \cup \{\epsilon^\sigma \mid \sigma \leq \tau, \sigma \neq 0\} \cup \langle R_1, \dots, R_p, \dots \rangle$, where $\{\mathbf{E}^\sigma \mid \sigma \leq \tau\}$ is a collection of non-empty, mutually disjoint classes; for each $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, ϵ^σ is an $n+1$ -placed 'membership' relation defined on $(\mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}) \times \mathbf{E}^\sigma$; and each R_p is an n -placed relation on some $\mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$, $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n \leq \tau$. Such an R_p is said to be of type $(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$. If $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, $\sigma \leq \tau$ and R_p is a relation of type $(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$ then R_p may be regarded as a nominated member of \mathbf{E}^σ .¹ If $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$ and $a \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$ then (a_1, \dots, a_n) is said to 'belong' to a , written $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \epsilon^\sigma a$, if, and only if, $\epsilon^\sigma(a_1, \dots, a_n, a)$; that is if, and only if, a_1, \dots, a_n, a are related by ϵ^σ . \mathbf{E}^0 is the class of individuals of M . The

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members of the classes \mathbf{E}^σ , $\sigma \leq \tau$, are the objects of M . The R_p 's are called the constant relations of M .

If $N = \{\mathbf{F}^\sigma | \sigma \leq \tau_1\} \cup \{\epsilon^\sigma | \sigma \leq \tau_1, \sigma \neq 0\} \cup \langle S_1, \dots, S_p, \dots \rangle$ is a τ_1 -system then M and N are said to be *similar* if $\tau = \tau_1$, and if, for every p , the corresponding relations R_p and S_p are both k -placed, for some integer k , and of type $(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_k)$ for some $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_k \leq \tau$. The class of all systems similar to M is called the similarity class of M .

M is called a *normal structure* if, for all $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, and for all $a, b \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$, $a = b$ if, and only if, $\hat{a} = \hat{b}$, where $\hat{a} = \{(a_1, \dots, a_n) | (a_1, \dots, a_n) \epsilon^\sigma a\}$ and \hat{b} is defined similarly. Unless otherwise stated all systems later discussed will be assumed normal.

$\mathbf{L}^\tau(M)$ is a formalized logic associated with the similarity class of M , where $\mathbf{L}^\tau(M)$ has, for each $\sigma \leq \tau$, a countable class of variable symbols of type σ , viz $\{x^\sigma, y^\sigma, \dots, x_{i_1}^\sigma, y_{i_1}^\sigma, \dots\}$; for each $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma \neq 0$, a 'membership' relation symbol ϵ^σ ; and $\langle R_1, \dots, R_p, \dots \rangle$ a sequence of constant relation symbols. (No confusion will be caused by using ' ϵ^σ ,' ' R_p ' to denote both elements of M and of $\mathbf{L}^\tau(M)$.) For each $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\mathbf{L}^\tau(M)$ will have an identity symbol, $=$.

A standard interpretation of $\mathbf{L}^\tau(M)$ with respect to any member, N , of the similarity class of M will be one in which each symbol ϵ^σ of $\mathbf{L}^\tau(M)$ denotes the 'membership' relation, ϵ^σ , of N ; each symbol R_p denotes the relation R_p of N ; and each identity symbol of type σ of $\mathbf{L}^\tau(M)$ denotes the identity relation on \mathbf{F}^σ of N .

Let $\mathbf{a} = \langle a_1, a_2, \dots \rangle$ be a sequence of objects of M . If ϕ is a formula with free variables $x_{i_1}^{\sigma_1}, \dots, x_{i_n}^{\sigma_n}$, then \mathbf{a} is said to be ϕ -allowable if $a_{i_k} \in \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_k}$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. A ϕ -allowable sequence \mathbf{a} is said to *satisfy* ϕ in M , written $M \models \phi(\mathbf{a})$, (or if ϕ is written $\phi(x_{i_1}^{\sigma_1}, \dots, x_{i_n}^{\sigma_n})$ then $M \models \phi(\mathbf{a})$ may be alternatively written as $M \models \phi(a_{i_1}, \dots, a_{i_n})$), if the sequence $\langle a_{i_1}, \dots, a_{i_n} \rangle$ satisfies ϕ in M under the assignment of a_{i_k} to $x_{i_k}^{\sigma_k}$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. ϕ holds in M , $M \models \phi$, if for all ϕ -allowable sequences \mathbf{a} , $M \models \phi(\mathbf{a})$.

1 Higher Order Ultraproducts Let $\{M_i | i \in I\}$ be a family of τ -systems belonging to the same similarity class. That is, for each $i \in I$, let $M_i = \{\mathbf{E}_i^\sigma | \sigma \leq \tau\} \cup \{\epsilon^\sigma | \sigma \leq \tau, \sigma \neq 0\} \cup \langle R_1, \dots, R_p, \dots \rangle$. If X is an ultrafilter over I then the ultraproduct of the family is the τ -system $\pi M_i / X = \{\pi \mathbf{E}_i^\sigma / X | \sigma \leq \tau\} \cup \{\epsilon^\sigma | \sigma \leq \tau, \sigma \neq 0\} \cup \langle R_1, \dots, R_p, \dots \rangle$. For each $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\pi \mathbf{E}_i^\sigma / X$ is the set of equivalence classes of the cartesian product $\prod_{i \in I} \mathbf{E}_i^\sigma = \{f | f: I \rightarrow \bigcup \{\mathbf{E}_i^\sigma | i \in I\}, f(i) \in \mathbf{E}_i^\sigma\}$ under the equivalence relation defined by: $f \sim g$ if, and only if, $\{i | f(i) = g(i)\} \in X$. The equivalence class of f is denoted by \bar{f} . For each $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, ϵ^σ is defined in $\pi M_i / X$ by: $(f_1, \dots, f_n) \epsilon^\sigma \bar{f}$ if, and only if, $\{i | (f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i)) \epsilon^\sigma f(i)\} \in X$. Similarly each R_p , (where, for each M_i , R_p is k -placed and of type $(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_k)$ say) is defined in $\pi M_i / X$ by, $R_p(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_k)$ if, and only if, $\{i | R_p(f_1(i), \dots, f_k(i))\} \in X$.

The necessary lemmas to support the above definitions are assumed. It is noted that $\pi M_i / X$ belongs to the same similarity class as the M_i . The requirement of similarity for the family $\{M_i | i \in I\}$ is not a necessary one

for the definition of the ultra-product. A relaxation of the similarity condition in the case of the first-order ultraproduct construction is discussed in a paper by the author [6]. The method extends to higher order systems, if desired.

Theorem 1.1 *If each member of $\{M_i | i \in I\}$ is a normal system then so is $\pi M_i/X$.*

Proof: Take $\bar{f}, \bar{g} \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$, $\sigma \leq \tau$. Let $F = \{i | f(i) = g(i)\}$. Assume $\bar{f} = \bar{g}$, that is $F \in X$. Now $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n) \in {}^\sigma \bar{f}$ if, and only if, $G \in X$, where $G = \{i | (f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i)) \in {}^\sigma f(i)\}$. But each M_i is normal and so $H \supseteq G \cap F$, where $H = \{i | (f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i)) \in {}^\sigma g(i)\}$. Hence $H \in X$ and so $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n) \in {}^\sigma \bar{g}$. Similarly $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n) \in {}^\sigma \bar{f}$ if $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n) \in {}^\sigma \bar{g}$ and so $\hat{f} = \hat{g}$.

Conversely, assume $\bar{f} \neq \bar{g}$, that is $F \notin X$ and so $CF \in X$. Now as each M_i is normal there exists for each $i \in CF$, $(a_1^i, \dots, a_n^i) \in \mathbf{E}_1^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}_n^{\sigma_n}$ such that (a_1^i, \dots, a_n^i) 'belongs' to one, and only one, of $f(i)$, $g(i)$. For each $i \in CF$ define $f_j(i) = a_j^i$, $1 \leq j \leq n$. Thus \bar{f}_j , $1 \leq j \leq n$, are well defined as $CF \in X$. Let $F_0 = \{i | (f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i)) \in {}^\sigma f(i)\}$ and $G_0 = \{i | (f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i)) \in {}^\sigma g(i)\}$. Now $(CF \cap F_0) \cup (CF \cap G_0) = CF$ and $(CF \cap F_0) \cap (CF \cap G_0) = \emptyset$. Therefore one, and only one, of F_0, G_0 belongs to X ; that is $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n)$ 'belongs' to one, and only one, of \bar{f}, \bar{g} . Thus $\hat{f} \neq \hat{g}$. Q.E.D.

A τ -system M is termed *full* if, for each $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, and for each subclass \mathbf{K} of $\mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$, there exists an object $a \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$ such that $\hat{a} = \mathbf{K}$. The next three theorems discuss the fullness of the ultraproduct of a family of full systems.

Theorem 1.2 *Let $\{M_i | i \in I\}$ be a family of similar and full τ -systems. If X is a given ultrafilter over I and $\pi M_i/X$ the ultraproduct then for each $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, and for each subclass \mathbf{K} of $\mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$, there exists some $\bar{f} \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$ such that $\mathbf{K} \subseteq \hat{\bar{f}}$.*

Proof: For each $i \in I$, let $K_i = \{(f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i)) | (\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n) \in \mathbf{K}\}$. But each M_i is full and so there exists some object $a_i \in \mathbf{E}_i^\sigma$ such that $\hat{a}_i = K_i$. Define $\bar{f} \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$ by $f(i) = a_i$, for each $i \in I$. Take any $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n) \in \mathbf{K}$. Hence $\{i | (f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i)) \in {}^\sigma f(i)\} = I$. But $I \in X$ and so $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n) \in {}^\sigma \bar{f}$. Thus $\mathbf{K} \subseteq \hat{\bar{f}}$. Q.E.D.

Theorem 1.3 *Let $\{M_i | i \in I\}$ be a family of similar and full τ -systems. Let X be an ultrafilter over I and $\pi M_i/X$ is the resulting ultraproduct. If $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, and if \mathbf{K} is a subclass of $\mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$ such that $|\mathbf{K}| = \beta$, (that is the cardinality of \mathbf{K} is β), then there exists no $\bar{f} \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$ such that $\hat{\bar{f}} = \mathbf{K}$ only if X is β -incomplete.*

Proof: Let the members of \mathbf{K} be indexed by β , that is $\mathbf{K} = \{(\bar{g}_1, \dots, \bar{g}_n) | j < \beta\}$. Further, for each $j < \beta$, let (g_1, \dots, g_n) be an arbitrary but fixed representation of $(\bar{g}_1, \dots, \bar{g}_n)$. Let $K_i = \{(g_1(i), \dots, g_n(i)) | j < \beta\}$, each $i \in I$ and as in Theorem 1.2 let $\bar{f} \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$ be defined such that $f(i) = K_i$, each $i \in I$. Thus $\mathbf{K} \subseteq \hat{\bar{f}}$.

Assume there exists no $\bar{g} \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$ such that $\hat{\bar{g}} = \mathbf{K}$ and so there exists some $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n) \in \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$ such that $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n) \in \hat{\bar{f}}$ but is not a member of \mathbf{K} . Let $F = \{i | (f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i)) \in {}^\sigma f(i)\}$ and so $F \in X$. Let $F_j = F \cap \{i | (f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i)) =$

$(g_1(i), \dots, g_n(i))_j$, for all $j < \beta$. Now $F_j \notin X$, $j < \beta$, as $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n) \notin \mathbf{K}$. Further, $\bigcup\{F_j \mid j < \beta\} = F$ as, for all $i \in I$, $f(i) = K_i$, and the K_i have been defined using only the fixed representations of the members of \mathbf{K} . Therefore $\bigcap\{CF_j \mid j < \beta\} \cap F = \emptyset$ and hence X is β -incomplete. Q.E.D.

The question as to whether the incompleteness of the ultrafilter X guarantees the non-fullness of the ultraproduct does not seem to have an immediate answer. The next theorem is a possible step towards such an answer.

Theorem 1.4 *Let $\{M_i \mid i \in I\}$ be a family of similar and full τ -systems. Let X be a β -incomplete ultrafilter over I . $\pi M_i/X$ is the resulting ultraproduct. If for $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, there exists some $\mathbf{K} \subseteq \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$, say $\mathbf{K} = \{(\bar{g}_1, \dots, \bar{g}_n) \mid j < \alpha\}$, $\beta \leq \alpha$, such that $G \in X$, where $G = \bigcap\{CF_{m,n} \mid m, n < \beta, m \neq n\}$, and $F_{m,n} = \{i \mid (g_1(i), \dots, g_n(i))_m = (g_1(i), \dots, g_n(i))_n\}$, all $m, n < \beta, m \neq n$, then there exists no $\bar{f} \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$ such that $\hat{\bar{f}} = \mathbf{K}$.*

Proof: As X is β -incomplete let $\{H_k \mid k < \beta\}$ be a family of members of X such that $\bigcap\{H_k \mid k < \beta\} = \emptyset$. Assume there exists $\bar{f} \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$ such that $\hat{\bar{f}} = \mathbf{K}$. Thus, for each $j < \alpha$, $(\bar{g}_1, \dots, \bar{g}_n)_j \in {}^\sigma \bar{f}$ if, and only if, $(\bar{g}_1, \dots, \bar{g}_n)_j \in \mathbf{K}$.

For each $j < \beta$ put $G_j = \{i \mid (g_1(i), \dots, g_n(i))_j \in {}^\sigma f(i)\}$, $G'_j = G_j \cap G$ and $H'_j = G'_j \cap H_j$. Thus $G'_j, H'_j \in X$ and $\bigcup\{C'H'_j \mid j < \beta\} = G$, where $C'H'_j = G \cap CH'_j$. Now define $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n) \in \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$ as follows: For all $i \in C'H'_0$ put $(f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i)) = (g_1(i), \dots, g_n(i))_0$. Assume $(f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i))$ has been defined for all $i \in \bigcup\{C'H'_j \mid j < \delta\}$, for some $\delta < \beta$, and define $(f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i)) = (g_1(i), \dots, g_n(i))_\delta$, for all $i \in \bigcap\{H'_j \mid j < \delta\} - H'_\delta$. By transfinite induction $(f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i))$ is defined for all $i \in G$, as $\bigcup\{C'H'_j \mid j < \beta\} = G$. Hence $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n)$ is well defined as $G \in X$.

But $(\bar{g}_1, \dots, \bar{g}_n)_j \neq (\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n)_j$, for any $j < \beta$, as $\{i \mid (g_1(i), \dots, g_n(i))_j = (f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i))_j\} \cap G = \bigcap\{H'_k \mid k < j\} \cap CH'_j$, and $CH'_j \notin X$. Hence $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n) \notin \mathbf{K}$. But $(\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n) \in {}^\sigma \bar{f}$ as $\{i \mid (f_1(i), \dots, f_n(i)) \in {}^\sigma f(i)\} \supseteq G$. This contradicts the assumption that $\hat{\bar{f}} = \mathbf{K}$ and hence the theorem is established. Q.E.D.

2 Ultraproducts and an Associated Higher-Order Language. Let $\{M_i \mid i \in I\}$ be a family of τ -systems of the same similarity class. \mathcal{L}^τ is the formalized language associated with this similarity class, as described in the introduction. If $\mathbf{a} = \langle \bar{f}_1, \bar{f}_2, \dots \rangle$ is a sequence of elements where each member of the sequence is an object of $\pi M_i/X$, for some ultrafilter X , then $\mathbf{a}(i) = \langle f_1(i), f_2(i), \dots \rangle$ is the associated sequence of objects of M_i , each $i \in I$. The first theorem of this paragraph is the natural extension of Łoś's theorem for a first order ultraproduct and associated language.

Theorem 2.1 *Let X be a given ultrafilter over I . If ϕ is any well formed formula (wff) of \mathcal{L}^τ and $\mathbf{a} = \langle \bar{f}_1, \bar{f}_2, \dots \rangle$ any ϕ -allowable sequence then $\pi M_i/X \models \phi(\mathbf{a})$ if, and only if, $\{i \mid M_i \models \phi(\mathbf{a}(i))\} \in X$.*

Proof: The details of proof are straightforward extensions of those for the first order theorem—for which see Kochen [3], pp. 226-229, Theorem 5.1.

Corollary *If ϕ is a sentence of \mathcal{L}^T then $\pi M_i/X \models \phi$ if, and only if, $\{i \mid M_i \models \phi\} \in X$.*

Proof: Immediate from Theorem 2.1.

For the purpose of later application (see footnote on page 15), the language \mathcal{L}^T is extended to include a wider class of formulae, developed relative to $\pi M_i/X$ as follows: Let $\{\phi_t \mid t \in \alpha\}$ be any class of wff's of \mathcal{L}^T such that (i) only a finite number of distinct free variables occur in all of the ϕ_t , $t \in \alpha$; (ii) for any ϕ_t -allowable sequence, \mathfrak{a} , (because of (i) any sequence allowable for one ϕ_t will be allowable for all), and for all $k \in \alpha$, if there exists some $j \in I$ such that $M_j \models \phi_k(\mathfrak{a}(j))$ then $\{i \mid M_i \models \phi_k(\mathfrak{a}(i))\} \in X$. The infinite disjunction $\bigvee_{t \in \alpha} \phi_t$ will be a $(\pi M_i/X)$ allowable formula.

Formulae generated by the rules of formation of \mathcal{L}^T from the wffs of \mathcal{L}^T together with the $(\pi M_i/X)$ allowable disjunctions will comprise the wider class of formulae of \mathcal{L}^T . $\mathcal{L}^{T'}$ ($\pi M_i/X$), or in context just $\mathcal{L}^{T'}$, will denote \mathcal{L}^T with this wider class of formulae.

Theorem 2.2 *Let X be a given ultrafilter over I . If ϕ is any wff of $\mathcal{L}^{T'}$ and \mathfrak{a} any ϕ -allowable sequence of objects of $\pi M_i/X$ then $\pi M_i/X \models \phi(\mathfrak{a})$ if, and only if, $\{i \mid M_i \models \phi(\mathfrak{a}(i))\} \in X$.*

Proof: In view of the inductive procedures of the proof of Theorem 2.1 it is necessary only to consider the case where ϕ is of the form $\bigvee_{t \in \alpha} \phi_t$ as described above. First assume that $\pi M_i/X \models \bigvee_{t \in \alpha} \phi_t(\mathfrak{a})$ and so by the semantical rules for a disjunction there exists some $k \in \alpha$ such that $\pi M_i/X \models \phi_k(\mathfrak{a})$. Hence from Theorem 2.1, $\{i \mid M_i \models \phi_k(\mathfrak{a}(i))\} \in X$ and so $\{i \mid M_i \models \bigvee_{t \in \alpha} \phi_t(\mathfrak{a}(i))\} \in X$.

Conversely, assume that $\{i \mid M_i \models \bigvee_{t \in \alpha} \phi_t(\mathfrak{a}(i))\} \in X$. Hence there exists some $j \in I$ such that $M_j \models \bigvee_{t \in \alpha} \phi_t(\mathfrak{a}(j))$ and thus some $k \in \alpha$ such that $M_j \models \phi_k(\mathfrak{a}(j))$. Therefore $\{i \mid M_i \models \phi_k(\mathfrak{a}(i))\} \in X$ and so $\pi M_i/X \models \phi_k(\mathfrak{a})$. Therefore $\pi M_i/X \models \bigvee_{t \in \alpha} \phi_t(\mathfrak{a})$. Q.E.D.

Corollary *If ϕ is a sentence of $\mathcal{L}^{T'}$ then $\pi M_i/X \models \phi$ if, and only if, $\{i \mid M_i \models \phi\} \in X$.*

Proof: Immediate from Theorem 2.2.

Theorem 2.3 *Let X be a given ultrafilter over I . If \mathbf{K} is a class of wffs of $\mathcal{L}^{T'}$ and \mathfrak{a} any sequence of objects of $\pi M_i/X$, (allowable for all members of \mathbf{K}), then $\pi M_i/X \models \mathbf{K}(\mathfrak{a})$ if $\{i \mid M_i \models \mathbf{K}(\mathfrak{a}(i))\} \in X$.*

Proof: Assume $\{i \mid M_i \models \mathbf{K}(\mathfrak{a}(i))\} \in X$. Thus for all $\phi \in \mathbf{K}$, $\{i \mid M_i \models \phi(\mathfrak{a}(i))\} \in X$ and hence $\pi M_i/X \models \phi(\mathfrak{a})$. That is $\pi M_i/X \models \mathbf{K}(\mathfrak{a})$. Q.E.D.

Corollary If \mathbf{K} is a collection of sentences of \mathcal{L}' then

$$\pi M_i / X \models \mathbf{K} \text{ if } \{i \mid M_i \models \mathbf{K}\} \in X.$$

Proof: Immediate from Theorem 2.3.

The final theorem of this paragraph is a partial converse to Theorem 2.3.

Theorem 2.4 Let X be a given ultrafilter over I . If K is a set of wffs of \mathcal{L}' such that $|K| = \beta$ and X is β -complete then, for any allowable sequence \mathbf{a} , $\pi M_i / X \models K(\mathbf{a})$ only if $\{i \mid M_i \models K(\mathbf{a}(i))\} \in X$.

Proof: Assume $\pi M_i / X \models K(\mathbf{a})$ and so, for all $\phi \in K$, $\pi M_i / X \models \phi(\mathbf{a})$. Let $F_\phi = \{i \mid M_i \models \phi(\mathbf{a}(i))\}$, for all $\phi \in K$. Now $\{i \mid M_i \models K(\mathbf{a}(i))\} \supseteq \bigcap \{F_\phi \mid \phi \in K\}$. But each $F_\phi \in X$ and X is β -complete. Thus $\{i \mid M_i \models K(\mathbf{a}(i))\} \in X$. Q.E.D.

Corollary If \mathbf{K} is a class of sentences of \mathcal{L}' such that $|\mathbf{K}| = \beta$ and X is β -complete then $\pi M_i / X \models \mathbf{K}$ only if $\{i \mid M_i \models \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{a}(i))\} \in X$.

Proof: Immediate from Theorem 2.4.

3 Substructures and Embeddings Let $M = \{\mathbf{E}^\sigma \mid \sigma \leq \tau\} \cup \{\epsilon^\sigma \mid \sigma \leq \tau, \sigma \neq 0\} \cup \langle R_1, \dots \rangle$, and $N = \{\mathbf{F}^\sigma \mid \sigma \leq \tau\} \cup \{\epsilon^\sigma \mid \sigma \leq \tau, \sigma \neq 0\} \cup \langle S_1, \dots \rangle$ be two normal τ -systems. N is called a *subsystem* of M if (i) $\mathbf{F}^0 \subseteq \mathbf{E}^0$; (ii) for each $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma \neq 0$, there exists a surjective map $p: \mathbf{E}^\sigma \rightarrow \mathbf{F}^\sigma$, and for $\sigma = 0$; $p: \mathbf{F}^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{E}^0$ is the identity map, such that for all $(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \in \mathbf{F}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{F}^{\sigma_n}$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, and all $p(a) \in \mathbf{F}^\sigma$, $(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \epsilon^\sigma p(a)$ if, and only if, there exists some $(a'_1, \dots, a'_n) \in \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$ such that $p(a_k) = p(a'_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$, and $(a'_1, \dots, a'_n) \epsilon^\sigma a$; (iii) there exists a surjective map $p: \langle R_1, \dots \rangle \rightarrow \langle S_1, \dots \rangle$ such that if R_i is a relation of type $(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n \leq \tau$, then $p(R_i)$ is of the same type and for all $(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \in \mathbf{F}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{F}^{\sigma_n}$, $p(R_i)(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n))$ if, and only if, there exists $(a'_1, \dots, a'_n) \in \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$ such that $p(a_k) = p(a'_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$, and $R_i(a'_1, \dots, a'_n)$. The family of maps is denoted by $\mathfrak{p}: M \rightarrow N$ and called the canonical projection of M to the subsystem N .

Theorem 3.1 If N is a subsystem of the τ -system M then the canonical projection $\mathfrak{p}: M \rightarrow N$ is unique.

Proof: Let $\mathfrak{p}_1: M \rightarrow N$, $\mathfrak{p}_2: M \rightarrow N$ be two canonical projections. Now, for $\sigma = 0$, $\mathfrak{p}_1 = \mathfrak{p}_2$ as both are the identity map on \mathbf{F}^0 . Assume for all $\sigma_i < \sigma$, $\sigma \leq \tau$, that $\mathfrak{p}_1 = \mathfrak{p}_2$ on \mathbf{E}^{σ_i} , (on \mathbf{F}^0 if $\sigma_i = 0$). Now to show $\mathfrak{p}_1 = \mathfrak{p}_2$ on \mathbf{E}^σ .

For any $a \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, consider $\mathfrak{p}_1(a)$, $\mathfrak{p}_2(a)$. Take $(p_1(a_1), \dots, p_1(a_n)) \epsilon^\sigma \mathfrak{p}_1(a)$. Therefore there exists some $(a'_1, \dots, a'_n) \in \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$ such that $(a'_1, \dots, a'_n) \epsilon^\sigma a$ and $p_1(a_k) = p_1(a'_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. Hence $(p_2(a'_1), \dots, p_2(a'_n)) \epsilon^\sigma \mathfrak{p}_2(a)$. But $\mathfrak{p}_1 = \mathfrak{p}_2$ on \mathbf{E}^{σ_i} , $\sigma_i < \sigma$. Hence $p_2(a'_k) = p_1(a'_k) = p_1(a_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. That is $(p_1(a_1), \dots, p_1(a_n)) \epsilon^\sigma \mathfrak{p}_2(a)$. Similarly if $(p_2(a_1), \dots, p_2(a_n)) \epsilon^\sigma \mathfrak{p}_2(a)$ then $(p_2(a_1), \dots, p_2(a_n)) \epsilon^\sigma \mathfrak{p}_1(a)$. Thus $\widehat{\mathfrak{p}_1(a)} = \widehat{\mathfrak{p}_2(a)}$ and as N is normal then $\mathfrak{p}_1(a) = \mathfrak{p}_2(a)$. By a similar argument it can be shown that for all constant relations R_i of M , $\mathfrak{p}_1(R_i) = \mathfrak{p}_2(R_i)$. Hence $\mathfrak{p}_1 = \mathfrak{p}_2: M \rightarrow N$. Q.E.D.

If N is a subsystem of M then N can be regarded as being in the same

similarity class as M . For if $\langle R_1, \dots \rangle$ is the sequence of constant relations of M then $\langle p(R_1), \dots \rangle$ can be taken as the corresponding sequence of relations of N . As p is surjective all of the relations of N will be included in this sequence, although there may be repetitions. This will not matter.

Canonical subsystems M is a τ -system and \mathbf{F}^0 a given, non-empty, subset of \mathbf{E}^0 . A τ -system, N , can be built inductively on \mathbf{F}^0 as follows (cf. Kreisel and Krivine, [5], p. 98, Theorem 16):

- (i) \mathbf{F}^0 comprises the individuals of N .
- (ii) Take $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, and assume \mathbf{F}^{σ_i} is defined for all $\sigma_i < \sigma$, together with surjective maps $p: \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_i} \rightarrow \mathbf{F}^{\sigma_i}$, $\sigma_i \neq 0$, and $p: \mathbf{F}^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{F}^0$ the identity map. For each $a \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$, define $p(a) = \{(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \mid \text{there exists } a'_1, \dots, a'_n, \text{ such that } p(a_j) = p(a'_j), 1 \leq j \leq n, \text{ and } (a'_1, \dots, a'_n) \epsilon^\sigma a\}$. Let $\mathbf{F}^\sigma = \{p(a) \mid a \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma\}$ and $p: \mathbf{E}^\sigma \rightarrow \mathbf{F}^\sigma$ is thus defined. Now for all $(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \in \mathbf{F}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{F}^{\sigma_n}$, and all $p(a) \in \mathbf{F}^\sigma$, define $(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \epsilon^\sigma p(a)$ if $(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \in p(a)$. That is ϵ^σ in N is the ordinary membership relation.
- (iii) For each relation R_i of M of type $(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n \leq \tau$, define $p(R_i)$ by: $p(R_i)(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n))$ if there exists (a'_1, \dots, a'_n) such that $p(a'_k) = p(a_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$, and $R_i(a'_1, \dots, a'_n)$.

Theorem 3.2 N as constructed above is a normal τ -system.

Proof: Immediate from a direct checking of the definitions.

Theorem 3.3 If M is a τ -system and N is constructed as above on a subset \mathbf{F}^0 of \mathbf{E}^0 then N is a substructure of M . (N is termed a canonical substructure.)

Proof: Immediate from the details of the construction and where the maps p form the canonical projection of M to the subsystem N .

If M, N , are two similar τ -systems then M and N are said to be *isomorphic* if there exists, for each $\sigma \leq \tau$, a bijective map $\psi: \mathbf{E}^\sigma \rightarrow \mathbf{F}^\sigma$ such that (i) if $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$ then for all $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$ and all $a \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$, $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \epsilon^\sigma a$ if, and only if, $(\psi(a_1), \dots, \psi(a_n)) \epsilon^\sigma \psi(a)$; (ii) for all R_i of type $(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$ and all $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$, $R_i(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ if, and only if, $S_i(\psi(a_1), \dots, \psi(a_n))$. (Note: The correspondence between the R_i 's and the S_i 's could be varied by permutations of either the relations of M or the relations of N , but compatible with the similarity requirements.)

Theorem 3.4 If M is a τ -system and N_1, N_2 are two subsystems of M such that $\mathbf{F}_1^0 = \mathbf{F}_2^0$ then N_1 and N_2 are isomorphic.

Proof: Let $p_1: M \rightarrow N_1$, $p_2: M \rightarrow N_2$ be the canonical projections of M to N_1 , and N_2 respectively.

It is first established by induction that for all $\sigma \leq \tau$ and all $p_1(a)$, $p_1(b) \in \mathbf{F}_1$, that $p_1(a) = p_1(b)$ if, and only if, $p_2(a) = p_2(b)$. If $\sigma = 0$ then the result is immediate as p_1, p_2 are identity maps on $\mathbf{F}_1^0 = \mathbf{F}_2^0$. For $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, assume that the result is true for all $\sigma_i < \sigma$. Take $p_1(a)$, $p_1(b) \in \mathbf{F}_1^\sigma$ and assume $p_1(a) = p_1(b)$. Take any $(p_2(a_1), \dots, p_2(a_n)) \epsilon^\sigma p_2(a)$.

Hence there exists some $(a'_1, \dots, a'_n) \in^\sigma a$ such that $p_2(a'_k) = p_2(a_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. Therefore $(p_1(a'_1), \dots, p_1(a'_n)) \in^\sigma p_1(b)$, as $p_1(a) = p_1(b)$, and so there exists $(a''_1, \dots, a''_n) \in^\sigma b$, where $p_1(a'_k) = p_1(a''_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. Thus $(p_2(a''_1), \dots, p_2(a''_n)) \in^\sigma p_2(b)$. But from the induction assumption $p_2(a''_k) = p_2(a_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$, and so $(p_2(a_1), \dots, p_2(a_n)) \in^\sigma p_2(b)$. Similarly if $(p_2(a_1), \dots, p_2(a_n)) \in^\sigma p_2(b)$ then $(p_2(a_1), \dots, p_2(a_n)) \in^\sigma p_2(a)$. Therefore $\widehat{p_2(a)} = \widehat{p_2(b)}$ and so $p_2(a) = p_2(b)$. Conversely if $p_2(a) = p_2(b)$ then $p_1(a) = p_1(b)$. Hence this first result is established.

Now define $\psi(p_1(a) = p_2(a))$. ψ is thus well defined, for if $p_1(a) = p_1(b)$ then $p_2(a) = p_2(b)$. It is now necessary to show that ψ is an isomorphism between N_1 and N_2 . First to show that for each $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\psi: \mathbf{F}_1^\sigma \rightarrow \mathbf{F}_2^\sigma$ is bijective. If $\sigma = 0$ then $\psi: \mathbf{F}_1^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{F}_2^0$ is the identity map as $\mathbf{F}_1^0 = \mathbf{F}_2^0$ and p_1, p_2 are the identity maps on $\mathbf{F}_1^0, \mathbf{F}_2^0$ respectively. Let $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, and assume that for all $\sigma_i < \sigma$, $\psi: \mathbf{F}_1^{\sigma_i} \rightarrow \mathbf{F}_2^{\sigma_i}$ is bijective. For any $p_1(a), p_1(b) \in \mathbf{F}_1^\sigma$, if $\psi(p_1(a)) = \psi(p_1(b))$ then $p_2(a) = p_2(b)$ and so $p_1(a) = p_1(b)$. That is ψ is injective. If $p_2(a) \in \mathbf{F}_2^\sigma$ then $a \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$ and so $p_1(a) \in \mathbf{F}_1^\sigma$ and $\psi(p_1(a)) = p_2(a)$. That is $\psi: \mathbf{F}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{F}_2$ is surjective. Hence by induction $\psi: \mathbf{F}_1^\sigma \rightarrow \mathbf{F}_2^\sigma$ is bijective for each $\sigma \leq \tau$.

Take $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$ and any $(p_1(a_n), \dots, p_1(a_1)) \in^\sigma p_1(a)$. Therefore there exists $(a'_1, \dots, a'_n) \in^\sigma a$ such that $p_1(a'_k) = p_1(a_n)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. Hence $(p_2(a'_1), \dots, p_2(a'_n)) \in^\sigma p_2(a)$. But as $p_1(a'_k) = p_1(a_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$, then $p_2(a'_k) = p_2(a_k)$. Hence $(p_2(a_1), \dots, p_2(a_n)) \in^\sigma p_2(a)$. That is $(\psi(p_1(a_1)), \dots, \psi(p_1(a_n))) \in^\sigma \psi(p_1(a))$. Conversely, take $(\psi(p_1(a_1)), \dots, \psi(p_1(a_n))) \in^\sigma \psi(p_1(a))$. That is $(p_2(a_1), \dots, p_2(a_n)) \in^\sigma p_2(a)$ and so, by a similar argument to that above, $(p_1(a_1), \dots, p_1(a_n)) \in^\sigma p_1(a)$.

Finally, by a similar argument as above, it can be shown that if $p_1(R_i)$ is any n -placed relation on $\mathbf{F}_1^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{F}_n^{\sigma_n}$, $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n \leq \tau$, then for all $(p_1(a_1), \dots, p_1(a_n)), p_1(R_i)(p_1(a_1), \dots, p_1(a_n))$ if, and only if, $p_2(R_i)(\psi(p_1(a_1)), \dots, \psi(p_1(a_n)))$. Hence $\psi: N_1 \rightarrow N_2$ is an isomorphism between N_1 and N_2 . Q.E.D.

Corollary If M is a τ -system then every subsystem of M is isomorphic to a canonical subsystem of M .

Proof: Let N_1 be any substructure of M . Let N_2 be the canonical substructure of M constructed on $\mathbf{F}_1^0 \subseteq \mathbf{E}^0$. Hence from Theorem 3.4 N_1 is isomorphic to N_2 .

Theorem 3.5 N_1, N_2 are two subsystems of a τ -system M . If $\mathbf{F}_1^0 \subseteq \mathbf{F}_2^0$ then N_1 is a subsystem of N_2 and if $p_3: N_2 \rightarrow N_1$ is the canonical projection of N_2 to N_1 , then for $\sigma \leq \tau$, and all $p_2(a) \in \mathbf{F}_2^\sigma$, $p_3 p_2(a) = p_1(a)$, where p_1, p_2 are the canonical projections from M to N_1, N_2 respectively.

Proof: By an argument similar to that in the proof of Theorem 3.4 it can be shown (i) that for any $\sigma \leq \tau$, and all $p_1(a), p_1(b) \in \mathbf{F}_1^\sigma$, if $p_2(a) = p_2(b)$ then $p_1(a) = p_1(b)$; (ii) that if for each $\sigma \leq \tau$, $p_3: \mathbf{F}_2^\sigma \rightarrow \mathbf{F}_1^\sigma$ is defined by putting $p_3(p_2(a)) = p_1(a)$, for all $p_2(a) \in \mathbf{F}_2^\sigma$, and if for each constant relation $p_2(R_i)$ of N_2 , $p_3(p_2(R_i))$ is defined as $p_1(R_i)$, then $p_3: N_2 \rightarrow N_1$ is the canonical projection defining N_1 as a subsystem of N_2 . Further, by definition $p_3 p_2 = p_1: \mathbf{E}^\sigma \rightarrow \mathbf{F}_1^\sigma$, for each $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma \neq 0$. Q.E.D.

Theorem 3.6 If N_1 is a subsystem of a τ -system M such that $(p_1(a_1), \dots,$

$p_1(a_n) \notin^\sigma p_1(a)$, $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$ then in any subsystem N_2 of M , which contains N_1 , $(p_2(a_1), \dots, p_2(a_n)) \notin^\sigma p_2(a)$. Similarly if $p_1(R_1)(p_1(a_1), \dots, p_1(a_n))$ does not hold in N_1 then $p_2(R_1)(p_2(a_1), \dots, p_2(a_n))$ does not hold in N_2 .

Proof: Let $p_3: N_2 \rightarrow N_1$ be the canonical projection as in Theorem 3.5. Assume $(p_2(a_1), \dots, p_2(a_n)) \in^\sigma p_2(a)$ and so $(p_3(p_2(a_1)), \dots, p_3(p_2(a_n))) \in^\sigma p_3(p_2(a))$. Hence $(p_1(a_1), \dots, p_1(a_n)) \in^\sigma p_1(a)$, as $p_3 p_2 = p_1$. That is if $(p_1(a_1), \dots, p_1(a_n)) \notin^\sigma p_1(a)$ then $(p_2(a_1), \dots, p_2(a_n)) \notin^\sigma p_2(a)$. The second part follows likewise. Q.E.D.

Theorem 3.7 Any subsystem, N , of a full τ -system M is itself full.

Proof: Take $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$ and \mathbf{K} any subclass of $\mathbf{F}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{F}^{\sigma_n}$. It is required to find some $p(a) \in \mathbf{F}^\sigma$ such that $\mathbf{K} = \widehat{p(a)}$, where $p: M \rightarrow N$ is the canonical projection associated with N . Let $K' = \{(a_1, \dots, a_n) \mid (p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \in \mathbf{K}\}$. Now M is full and K' is a subclass of $\mathbf{E}^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}^{\sigma_n}$ and so there exists $a \in E^\sigma$ such that $\widehat{a} = K'$.

Now to show that $K = \widehat{p(a)}$. Take $(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \in \mathbf{K}$. Hence $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in K'$ and so $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in^\sigma a$. Therefore $(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \in^\sigma p(a)$. That is $\mathbf{K} \subseteq \widehat{p(a)}$. Now take $(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \in^\sigma p(a)$. Therefore there exists $(a'_1, \dots, a'_n) \in^\sigma a$, where $p(a'_k) = p(a_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. Hence $(a'_1, \dots, a'_n) \in K'$, as $\widehat{a} = K'$, and so $(p(a'_1), \dots, p(a'_n)) \in \mathbf{K}$. That is $(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \in \mathbf{K}$. Thus $\widehat{p(a)} \subseteq \mathbf{K}$ and so $\widehat{p(a)} = \mathbf{K}$. Q.E.D.

Theorem 3.8 Let $\{M_i \mid i \in I\}$ be a family of similar τ -systems. For each $i \in I$, let N_i be a subsystem of M_i . If X is any ultrafilter over I then $\pi N_i / X$ is a subsystem of $\pi M_i / X$.

Proof: For each $i \in I$ let $p_i: M_i \rightarrow N_i$ be the canonical projection associated with each N_i . Define $p: \pi M_i / X \rightarrow \pi N_i / X$ as follows: For $\sigma = 0$ and for all $\bar{g} \in \mathbf{F}^0$ define $p(\bar{g}) = \bar{p(g)}$, where $p(g): I \rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} \mathbf{F}_i^0$ is defined by $p(g)(i) = g(i)$, all $i \in I$. Hence $p: \mathbf{F}^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{F}^0$ is the identity map.

For $\sigma \neq 0$, $\sigma \leq \tau$, for all $\bar{f} \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$ put $p(\bar{f}) = \bar{p(f)}$, where $p(f): I \rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} \mathbf{F}_i^\sigma$ is defined by $p(f)(i) = p_i(f(i))$, all $i \in I$. If $f_1 \sim f$ then $p(f_1) \sim p(f)$, as $\{i \mid f_1(i) = f(i)\} \in X$; and so $p: \mathbf{E}^\sigma \rightarrow \mathbf{F}^\sigma$ is well defined. Further p is surjective as each $p_i: \mathbf{E}_i^\sigma \rightarrow \mathbf{F}_i^\sigma$ is surjective.

Take $\sigma = (\sigma_i, \dots, \sigma_n)$, $\sigma \leq \tau$ and consider $(p(\bar{f}_1), \dots, p(\bar{f}_n)) \in^\sigma p(\bar{f})$. Hence $G \in X$, where $G = \{i \mid (p(f_1)(i), \dots, p(f_n)(i)) \in^\sigma p(f)(i)\}$. That is, for each $i \in G$, $(p_i(f_1(i)), \dots, p_i(f_n(i))) \in^\sigma p_i(f(i))$ and so there exists $(a'_1, \dots, a'_n) \in^\sigma f(i)$, where $p_i(a'_k) = p_i(f_k(i))$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. Now define $\bar{g}_k \in \mathbf{F}^{\sigma_k}$, $1 \leq k \leq n$, by putting $g_k(i) = a'_k$, all $i \in G$. Thus \bar{g}_k , $1 \leq k \leq n$, are well defined as $G \in X$. Now $\{i \mid (g_1(i), \dots, g_n(i)) \in^\sigma f(i)\} \supseteq G$ and so $(\bar{g}_1, \dots, \bar{g}_n) \in^\sigma \bar{f}$. And further, $p(\bar{g}_k) = p(\bar{f}_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$, as $\{i \mid p_i(g_k(i)) = p_i(f_k(i))\} \supseteq G$. Conversely, take $(\bar{g}_1, \dots, \bar{g}_n) \in^\sigma \bar{f}$ such that $p(\bar{g}_k) = p(\bar{f}_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. Let $G_k = \{i \mid p_i(g_k(i)) = p_i(f(i))\}$, $1 \leq k \leq n$, and $G_0 = \{i \mid (g_1(i), \dots, g_n(i)) \in^\sigma f(i)\}$. Thus $G \in X$, where $G = \bigcap \{G_k \mid 0 \leq k \leq n\}$. Hence $(p(\bar{f}_1), \dots, p(\bar{f}_n)) \in^\sigma p(\bar{f})$ as $\{i \mid (p_i(f_1(i)), \dots, p_i(f_n(i))) \in^\sigma p_i(f(i))\} \supseteq G$.

By a similar argument it can be shown that $p(R_i)$ can be defined in $\pi N_i / X$ by reference to $p_i(R_i)$ for each M_i and that $p(R_i)(p(\bar{f}_1), \dots, p(\bar{f}_n))$ if, and only if, there exists $(\bar{g}_1, \dots, \bar{g}_n)$ such that $R_i(\bar{g}_1, \dots, \bar{g}_n)$, where $p(\bar{g}_k) = p(\bar{f}_k)$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. Hence $\pi N_i / X$ is a subsystem of $\pi M_i / X$ with canonical projection $p: \pi M_i / X \rightarrow \pi N_i / X$ as defined. Q.E.D.

α -embeddings A τ_1 -system M_1 is said to be α -embedded in a τ_2 -system M_2 , where $\tau_1 \leq \tau_2$, by an α -embedding map ψ^α , if (i) α is an injective map from $|\tau_1|$ to $|\tau_2|$ ($|\tau_1| = \{\sigma \mid \sigma \leq \tau_1\}$) such that for each $\sigma \leq \tau_1$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, $\alpha(\sigma) = (\alpha(\sigma_1), \dots, \alpha(\sigma_n))$; (ii) for each $\sigma \leq \tau_1$, ψ^α is an injective map from \mathbf{E}_1^σ to $\mathbf{E}_2^{\alpha(\sigma)}$ such that for all $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbf{E}_1^{\sigma_1} \times \dots \times \mathbf{E}_n^{\sigma_n}$, $a \in \mathbf{E}_1^\sigma$, $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \varepsilon^\sigma a$ if, and only if, $(\psi^\alpha(a_1), \dots, \psi^\alpha(a_n)) \varepsilon^{\alpha(\sigma)} \psi^\alpha(a)$; (iii) for each R_i , n -placed and of type $(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, $\psi^\alpha(R_i)$ is an n -placed relation of M_2 of type $(\alpha(\sigma_1), \dots, \alpha(\sigma_n))$, such that $R_i(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ if, and only if, $\psi^\alpha(R_i)(\psi^\alpha(a_1), \dots, \psi^\alpha(a_n))$. If $\alpha: |\tau_1| \rightarrow |\tau_2|$ is such that $\alpha(0) = 0$ then the α -embedding is referred to simply as an embedding and the α is omitted from the ψ^α 's.

Local family of subsystems (cf. Kurosh [4], vol. II, §55, p. 166.) A family of subsystems $\{N_i \mid i \in I\}$, of a τ -system M , is called a *local family* of M if (i) every member of \mathbf{E}^0 belongs to at least one N_i , $i \in I$; and (ii) for every $i, j \in I$ (and hence for any finite number of elements of I) there exists $k \in I$ such that N_i and N_j are subsystems of N_k .

Theorem 3.9 *If \mathbf{L} is the class of all finite subsystems of a τ -system M then \mathbf{L} is a local family of M .*

Proof: Immediate.

\mathbf{L} -finitary systems A τ -system M , with a given local family $\mathfrak{N} = \{N_i \mid i \in I\}$, is said to be *\mathbf{L} -finitary* if (i) for each $\sigma \leq \tau$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, if $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \notin^\sigma a$ then there exists some member, N , of \mathfrak{N} such that $(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \notin^\sigma p(a)$, where $p: M \rightarrow N$ is the canonical projection; (ii) similarly if $R_i(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ does not hold in M then for some $N \in \mathfrak{N}$, $p(R_i)(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n))$ does not hold in N . If \mathfrak{N} is the family of all finite subsystems of M and if M is \mathbf{L} -finitary then M will be simply termed finitary.

Theorem 3.10 *If M is any first order system and \mathfrak{N} any local family of M then M is \mathbf{L} -finitary.*

Proof: Let R_i be a n -placed constant relation of type $(0, \dots, 0)$. Take $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbf{E}^0$ such that $R_i(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ does not hold in M . Let N be some member of \mathfrak{N} which contains a_1, \dots, a_n . Hence $p(R_i)(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n))$ does not hold in N , where $p: M \rightarrow N$ is the canonical projection. Q.E.D.

\mathbf{L} -associated ultrafilter Let $\mathfrak{N} = \{N_i \mid i \in I\}$ be a local family of a τ -system M . For each $N \in \mathfrak{N}$ let $F_N = \{i \mid N_i \supseteq N\}$. Now $\{F_N \mid N \in \mathfrak{N}\} = B$ is such that the intersection of any finite set of members of B is non-empty. The ultrafilter X formed on B as sub-basis is called the *\mathbf{L} -associated ultrafilter*.

Theorem 3.11 *$\mathfrak{N} = \{N_i \mid i \in I\}$ is a local family of a \mathbf{L} -finitary τ_1 -system M such that, for each $i \in I$, N_i can be α -embedded in a τ_2 -system, N'_i , $\tau_1 \leq \tau_2$, where each such N'_i is a model of a class of sentences, \mathbf{K} , of $\mathcal{L}^{\tau_2}(\pi N'_i/X)$, X being the \mathbf{L} -associated ultrafilter. Then M can be α -embedded in a model of \mathbf{K} .*

Proof: For each $i \in I$, let $\psi_i^\alpha: N_i \rightarrow N'_i$ be an α -embedding. Define $\psi^\alpha: M \rightarrow \pi N'_i/X$ by (i) if $a \in \mathbf{E}^0$ put $\psi^\alpha(a) = \bar{f}_a$, where $f_a(i) = \psi_i^\alpha(a)$, for all $i \in F_N$, where

N is a member of \mathfrak{L} containing a ; (ii) for each $\sigma \leq \tau_1$, $\sigma \neq 0$, and each $a \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$, put $\psi^\alpha(a) = \bar{f}_a$, where $f_a(i) = \psi_i^\alpha(p_i(a))$, for all $i \in I$, and where $p_i: M \rightarrow N_i$ is the canonical projection. The N_i' , $i \in I$, can be regarded as belonging to the same similarity class as M by ignoring all constant relations in N_i' other than those connected to N_i by ψ_i^α . It is now required to show that $\psi^\alpha: M \rightarrow \pi N_i'/X$ is an α -embedding. Take $\sigma \leq \tau_1$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$ and $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in^\sigma a$. Let J be the subset of $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ such that if $j \in J$ then $\sigma_j = 0$. Now for all $i \in F_N$, where N is some member of \mathfrak{L} which contains each a_j , $j \in J$, $(p_i(a_1), \dots, p_i(a_n)) \in^\sigma p_i(a)$. Hence $\{i | (\psi_i^\alpha(p_i(a_1)), \dots, \psi_i^\alpha(p_i(a_n))) \in^\sigma \psi_i^\alpha(p_i(a))\} \in X$. That is $\{i | (f_{a_1}(i), \dots, f_{a_n}(i)) \in^\sigma f_a(i)\} \in X$ and so $(\bar{f}_{a_1}, \dots, \bar{f}_{a_n}) \in^\sigma \bar{f}_a$. That is $(\psi^\alpha(a_1), \dots, \psi^\alpha(a_n)) \in^\sigma \psi^\alpha(a)$. Conversely, assume that $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \notin^\sigma a$. Now M is \mathbf{L} -finitary and so there exists some member N of \mathfrak{L} such that $(p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)) \notin^\sigma p(a)$, where $p: M \rightarrow N$ is the canonical projection. Let $F_N = \{i | N_i \supseteq N \text{ and } N_i \in \mathfrak{L}\}$ and so $F_N \in X$. Now from Theorem 3.6, $\{i | (p_i(a_1), \dots, p_i(a_n)) \notin^\sigma p_i(a)\} \supseteq F_N$ and so $\{i | (\psi_i^\alpha(p_i(a_1)), \dots, \psi_i^\alpha(p_i(a_n))) \notin^\sigma \psi_i^\alpha(p_i(a))\} \in X$. Hence $(\psi^\alpha(a_1), \dots, \psi^\alpha(a_n)) \notin^\sigma \psi^\alpha(a)$. Similarly, if R_i is a constant relation of type $(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$, $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n \leq \tau_1$, then $R_i(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ if, and only if, $\psi^\alpha(R_i)(\psi^\alpha(a_1), \dots, \psi^\alpha(a_n))$.

Further, it needs to be shown that ψ^α is injective at each level $\sigma \leq \tau_1$. Let $\sigma = 0$ and take $a, b \in \mathbf{E}^0$ such that $\psi^\alpha(a) = \psi^\alpha(b)$. Thus $\bar{f}_a = \bar{f}_b$. Let $N_1, N_2 \in \mathfrak{L}$ such that $f_a(i) = \psi_i^\alpha(a)$, for all $i \in F_{N_1}$, $f_b(i) = \psi_i^\alpha(b)$, for all $i \in F_{N_2}$. If $G = \{i | f_a(i) = f_b(i)\}$ then $G \cap F_{N_1} \cap F_{N_2}$ is non-empty and so there exists an $i \in I$ such that $\psi_i^\alpha(a) = \psi_i^\alpha(b)$. Hence $a = b$, as ψ_i^α is injective. Now take $\sigma \leq \tau_1$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$ and $a, b \in \mathbf{E}^\sigma$ such that $a \neq b$. Hence there exists (a_1, \dots, a_n) which 'belongs' to one, and only one, of a and b . Therefore $(\psi^\alpha(a_1), \dots, \psi^\alpha(a_n))$ 'belongs' to one, and only one, of $\psi^\alpha(a)$ and $\psi^\alpha(b)$. That is $\psi^\alpha(a) \neq \psi^\alpha(b)$. Thus $\psi^\alpha: M \rightarrow \pi N_i'/X$ is an α -embedding.

Finally it remains to comment that $\pi N_i'/X$ is a model of \mathbf{K} as each N_i' , $i \in I$, is a model of \mathbf{K} (Theorem 2.3). The theorem is therefore established. Q.E.D.

Corollary If every finite subsystem of a finitary system M can be α -embedded in a model of \mathbf{K} then M can be so embedded.

Proof: Immediate from Theorems 3.10 and 3.11.

The first order case of the above corollary, (with $\alpha(0) = 0$), is proved by Robinson, cf. [7], p. 34, Theorem 2.4.1, by the method of diagrams. Grätzer, cf. [2], p. 243, Theorem 4, and p. 261, Theorem 7, gives a proof of this first order result using ultraproducts.

Theorem 3.12 If $\mathfrak{L} = \{N_i | i \in I\}$ is a local family of a \mathbf{L} -finitary τ -system M then M can be embedded in $\pi N_i'/X$ where X is the \mathbf{L} -associated ultrafilter.

Proof: In Theorem 3.11, put $\alpha(0) = 0$, $K = \emptyset$ and, for each $i \in I$, put $N_i' = N_i$ and ψ_i^α as the identity map on N_i .

4 Some algebraic applications of higher order ultraproducts This final paragraph illustrates the presence and application of the higher order ultraproduct construction in two known algebraic situations.

Non-finite Boolean algebras

Theorem 4.1 *Any infinite Boolean algebra is isomorphic to a subset subalgebra of a second order ultraproduct (cf. Stone's representation theorem).*

Proof: Let \mathfrak{M} be the infinite Boolean algebra regarded as a first order system. E^0 is the set of elements of the algebra. $\langle ', \vee, \wedge \rangle$ is the sequence of constant relations, where $'$ is the complement operator regarded as a two-place relation of type $(0, 0)$; \vee, \wedge are the wedge and join operators of the algebra regarded as three-place relations of type $(0, 0, 0)$. Now let $\tau_2 = (0)$ and $\langle C, \cup, \cap \rangle$ be a sequence of constant relation symbols, C being of type $((0), (0))$, and \cup, \cap each of type $((0), (0), (0))$. $C(x^{(0)}, y^{(0)})$ will be written $Cx^{(0)} = y^{(0)}$ and similarly for \cap and \cup .

Let K be the set of sentences of \mathcal{L}^{τ_2} as follows:

- (i) $\forall x^{(0)} \forall y^{(0)} (Cx^{(0)} = y^{(0)} \iff \forall x^0 (x^0 \epsilon^{(0)} x^{(0)} \iff x^0 \notin^{(0)} y^{(0)})$.
- (ii) $\forall x^{(0)} \forall y^{(0)} \forall z^{(0)} (x^{(0)} \cup y^{(0)} = z^{(0)} \iff \forall x^0 (x^0 \epsilon^{(0)} z^{(0)} \iff (x^0 \epsilon^{(0)} x^{(0)} \vee x^0 \epsilon^{(0)} y^{(0)}))$.
- (iii) $\forall x^{(0)} \forall y^{(0)} \forall z^{(0)} (x^{(0)} \cap y^{(0)} = z^{(0)} \iff \forall x^0 (x^0 \epsilon^{(0)} z^{(0)} \iff (x^0 \epsilon^{(0)} x^{(0)} \wedge x^0 \epsilon^{(0)} y^{(0)}))$.

Now $\mathfrak{N} = \{N_i \mid N_i \text{ is a finitely generated subalgebra of } M_i\}$ forms a local family of subsystems of \mathfrak{M} . Moreover each such N_i is finite and so can be α -embedded in $N_i^!$, a model of K , where $\alpha(0) = (0)$. Thus, by Theorem 3.11, \mathfrak{M} can be α -embedded in $\pi N_i^!/X$, where X is the \mathcal{L} -associated ultrafilter. (Note: \mathfrak{M} is \mathcal{L} -finitary.) As K consists only of universal sentences, the image of \mathfrak{M} in $\pi N_i^!/X$ under the embedding is also a model of K . Finally, as in general $\pi N_i^!/X$ is not a full system, the universal quantifiers of K of type (0) will not include all possible subsets of the individuals of the ultraproduct, and so the image of \mathfrak{M} will not be a full subset algebra. Q.E.D.

Locally normal groups The following results from the theory of finite groups are assumed:

- (α) For every two Sylow p -subgroups, P, Q , of a finite group \mathfrak{G} there exists an inner automorphism of \mathfrak{G} which when restricted to P is an isomorphism between P and Q .
- (β) If H is a normal subgroup of a finite group G , P a Sylow p -subgroup of \mathfrak{G} , then $P \cap H$ is a Sylow p -subgroup of H .
- (γ) If P is a p -subgroup of a finite group \mathfrak{G} , N a normal subgroup of \mathfrak{G} , such that $N \supseteq P$, and Q a Sylow p -subgroup of N containing P , then there exists a Sylow p -subgroup, Q' , of \mathfrak{G} which contains P and such that $Q' \cap N = Q$.

Let \mathfrak{M} be a locally normal group. Regard \mathfrak{M} as a τ -system, where $\tau = ((0), (0), (0))$. E^0 is the individuals of the group \mathfrak{M} .² $E^{(0,0)}$ is the set of

2. $E^{(0)}$ is the set of all subsets of E^0 .

all subsets of $E^0 \times E^0$ and $E^r = \{\emptyset\}$. The ‘membership’ relations are the ones of ordinary set membership, and will be written without the type prefixes. $\langle S, e, \subset \rangle$ is the sequence of constant relations, where S is of type $(0, 0, 0)$, representing the binary operation of \mathfrak{M} , e is the 0-placed relation, of type 0, denoting the identity element of the group. \subset is of type $((0), (0))$, and denotes the strict inclusion relation.

Let $\mathfrak{N} = \{N_i | i \in I\}$ be the family of finite normal subgroups of \mathfrak{M} . Hence \mathfrak{N} can be regarded as a local family of subsystems of M , as \mathfrak{M} is locally normal. Further, M is L-finitary. Let X be the L-associated ultrafilter on I .

Take the following sentences and formulae of $\mathcal{L}''(\pi N_i/X)$. K_0 is the conjunction of sentences characterising group structure with respect to a binary operation S and identity e . (We adopt the usual shorthand that $x \circ y = z$ stands for $S(x, y, z)$, $y = x^{-1}$ stands for $S(x, y, e)$ and so on.) $G_s(x^{(0)})$, ($x^{(0)}$ is a subgroup), is the formula

$$\forall x^0 \forall y^0 (x^0 \in x^{(0)} \wedge y^0 \in x^{(0)} \implies x^0 \circ y^{0^{-1}} \in x^{(0)}) \wedge K_0.$$

$S_1(y^0)$ is the formula $y^0 = e$.

$S_n(y^0)$, (y^0 is of order n , n an integer), is the formula

$$y^{0^n} = e \wedge \neg S_{n-1}(y^0) \vee \dots \vee S_1(y^0).$$

$S_{op}(y^0)$, (y^0 has order some power of p , p a prime integer), is the formula

$\bigvee_{k \in N} S_{pk}(y^0)$, where N is the set of integers.

$G_{ps}(x^{(0)})$, ($x^{(0)}$ is a p -subgroup), is the formula

$$G_s(x^{(0)}) \wedge \forall y^0 (y^0 \in x^{(0)} \implies S_{op}(y^0)).$$

$x^{(0)} \cong y^{(0)}$ ($w^{(0,0)}$), ($w^{(0,0)}$ is an isomorphism between subgroups $x^{(0)}$ and $y^{(0)}$), denotes the conjunction of the following formulae:

- (i) $G_s(x^{(0)}) \wedge G_s(y^{(0)})$,
- (ii) $\forall z^0 (z^0 \in x^{(0)} \implies \exists! u^0 (u^0 \in y^{(0)} \wedge \langle z^0, u^0 \rangle \in w^{(0,0)}))$,
- (iii) $\forall x^0 \forall y^0 \forall z^0 (x^0 \in x^{(0)} \wedge y^0 \in x^{(0)} \wedge z^0 \in y^{(0)} \wedge \langle x^0, z^0 \rangle \in w^{(0,0)} \wedge \langle y^0, z^0 \rangle \in w^{(0,0)} \implies x^0 = y^0)$,
- (iv) $\forall z^0 (z^0 \in y^{(0)} \implies \exists x^0 (x^0 \in x^{(0)} \wedge \langle x^0, z^0 \rangle \in w^{(0,0)}))$,
- (v) $\forall x^0 \forall y^0 \forall u^0 \forall v^0 (x^0 \in x^{(0)} \wedge y^0 \in x^{(0)} \wedge u^0 \in y^{(0)} \wedge v^0 \in y^{(0)} \wedge \langle x^0, u^0 \rangle \in w^{(0,0)} \wedge \langle y^0, v^0 \rangle \in w^{(0,0)} \implies \langle x^0 \circ y^0, u^0 \circ v^0 \rangle \in w^{(0,0)})$.

Theorem 4.2 *If \mathfrak{M} is a locally normal group as described above then*
a) $\pi N_i/X$ is a group; b) P is a subgroup of \mathfrak{M} if, and only if, $\psi(P)$ is a subgroup of $\pi N_i/X$; c) P is a p -subgroup of \mathfrak{M} if, and only if, $\psi(P)$ is a p -subgroup of $\pi N_i/X$, (where $\psi : M \rightarrow \pi N_i/X$ is the embedding of Theorem 3.12), (see footnote on page 15.)

Proof: a) $\pi N_i/X \models K_0$, as $\{i | N_i \models K_0\} = I$, and so $\pi N_i/X$ is a group with respect to the binary operation $\psi(S)$.

b) Let P be a subgroup of \mathfrak{M} and so for each i , $P_i = N_i \cap P$ is a subgroup of N_i . But $P_i = p_i(P)$, where $p_i : M \rightarrow N_i$ is the canonical projection associated with the subgroup N_i , regarded as a subsystem of M . Now

$\{i | N_i \models G_s(P_i)\} = I$ and therefore $\pi N_i/X \models G_s(\psi(P))$. That is $\psi(P)$ is a subgroup of $\pi N_i/X$. Conversely, assume $\psi(P)$ is a subgroup of $\pi N_i/X$. Let $\psi(\hat{M}) = \{\bar{f}_a | a \in M\}$ and $\psi(\hat{P}) = \{\bar{f}_a | a \in P\}$, where \bar{f}_a is defined as in Theorem 3.12. Therefore $\psi(\hat{P}) = \psi(P) \cap \psi(\hat{M})$, $\psi(\hat{M})$ is isomorphic to M and $\psi(\hat{P})$ is isomorphic to P . But $\psi(\hat{P}) = \psi(P) \cap \psi(\hat{M})$ and so $\psi(\hat{P})$ is a subgroup of $\psi(\hat{M})$; that is P is a subgroup of \mathfrak{M} .

c) Let P be a p -subgroup of \mathfrak{M} . Hence $\{i | N_i \models G_{ps}(P_i)\} = I$ and so $\pi N_i/X \models G_{ps}(\psi(P))$; that is $\psi(P)$ is a p -subgroup of $\pi N_i/X$. Conversely, assume $\psi(P)$ is p -subgroup of $\pi N_i/X$. Hence $\psi(\hat{P})$ is a p -subgroup, and so P is a p -subgroup. Q.E.D.

The final two theorems are results first proved by Baer in [1], p. 604, Theorem 4.1 and p. 608, Theorem 4.4. Alternative proofs, via an ultraproduct construction, are here provided. Kurosh, *cf.* [4], vol. II, pp. 167-170, §55, records a proof of these results by the method of projection sets, (inverse limits). Grätzer, *cf.* [2], p. 160, Exercise 100, details the relationship between an ultraproduct of a family of algebras and the inverse limit of an associated family of algebras.

Theorem 4.3 *If \mathfrak{M} is a locally normal group and P a given Sylow p -subgroup of \mathfrak{M} then the intersection of P with an arbitrary finite normal subgroup H of \mathfrak{M} is a Sylow p -subgroup of H .*

Proof: Assume that $P \cap H$ is not a Sylow p -subgroup of H . Let Q' be a Sylow p -subgroup of H containing $P \cap H$. Put $G = \{i | N_i \supseteq H\}$. Hence $G \in X$, where \mathfrak{L} is the local family of M as described above and X is the L -associated ultrafilter. But from property (β) above, for each $i \in G$, $P_i = N_i \cap P$ is not a Sylow p -subgroup of N_i . Hence for each $i \in G$ a Sylow p -subgroup, Q_i , of N_i can be chosen so that $P_i \subset Q_i$ and $Q_i \cap H = Q'$. (Property (γ) .) Take $\bar{g} \in \pi N_i/X$, such that $g(i) = Q_i$, all $i \in G$. Hence \bar{g} is a subgroup of $\pi N_i/X$ and $\psi(P) \subset \bar{g}$. But $\psi(\hat{P})$ is a Sylow p -subgroup of $\psi(\hat{M})$ as P is a Sylow p -subgroup of \mathfrak{M} . Also $\bar{g} \cap \psi(\hat{M})$ is a p -subgroup of $\psi(\hat{M})$ and so $\psi(\hat{P}) = \bar{g} \cap \psi(\hat{M})$. But there exists some $a \in Q'$ such that $a \notin P$. Therefore, for all $i \in G$, $a \in Q_i$ but $a \notin P_i$. Hence $\bar{f}_a \in \bar{g}$, but $\bar{f}_a \notin \psi(\hat{P})$, where $f_a(i) = a$, all $i \in G$. But $\bar{f}_a \in \psi(\hat{M})$, and so $\psi(\hat{P}) \neq \bar{g} \cap \psi(\hat{M})$. From the contradiction it is established that $P \cap H$ is a Sylow p -subgroup of \mathfrak{M} . Q.E.D.

Theorem 4.4 *Any two Sylow p -subgroups of a locally normal group \mathfrak{M} are isomorphic and locally conjugate.*

Proof: Let M be the τ -system as above with $\mathfrak{L} = \{N_i | i \in I\}$ the local family of normal, finite subgroups. Let P, Q be two given Sylow p -subgroups of \mathfrak{M} . By Theorem 4.3, for each $i \in I$, $P_i = P \cap N_i$, $Q_i = Q \cap N_i$, are Sylow p -subgroups of N_i . Hence, by property (α) , for each $i \in I$, there exists an inner automorphism, w_i , of N_i taking P_i to Q_i . Let $\bar{w} \in \pi N_i/X$ be defined by $w(i) = w_i$, all $i \in I$. Now $\{i | N_i \models P_i \cong Q_i(w_i)\} = I$ and so $\pi N_i/X \models \psi(P) \cong \psi(Q)(\bar{w})$. That is \bar{w} is an isomorphism between $\psi(P)$ and $\psi(Q)$. It is now required to show that \bar{w} restricted to $\psi(\hat{P})$ is an isomorphism between $\psi(\hat{P})$ and $\psi(\hat{Q})$. For this it is sufficient to show that if $\bar{w}(\bar{f}) = \bar{g}$, (as $\langle \bar{f}, \bar{g} \rangle \in \bar{w}$ will be now written), and $\bar{f} \in \psi(\hat{P})$ then $\bar{g} \in \psi(\hat{Q})$.

Take \bar{f}_a , such that $a \in P$. Let $F = \{i \mid f_a(i) = a\}$ and so $F \in X$. Let k be some member of F and put $F' = \{i \mid N_i \supseteq N_k \text{ and } i \in F\}$. Thus $F' \in X$. Now, for all $i \in F'$, if $w_i(a) = b_i$ then $b_i \in Q_k$, as N_k is normal in N_i and w_i is an inner automorphism of N_i . Let the individuals of Q_k be b_1, \dots, b_n , and let $F_j = \{i \mid w_i(a) = b_j \text{ and } i \in F'\}$, $1 \leq j \leq n$. Now $F_1 \cup \dots \cup F_n = F'$ and so one, and only one, of the F_j 's, say F_m , belongs to X . Therefore $\bar{g} = \bar{f}_{b_m}$ and so $\bar{g} \in \psi(\hat{Q})$.

Finally, it is required to show that \bar{w} restricted to an isomorphism between $\psi(P)$ and $\psi(\hat{Q})$ is locally an inner automorphism. Take $\bar{f}_{a_1}, \dots, \bar{f}_{a_n} \in \psi(\hat{P})$, that is $a_1, \dots, a_n \in P$. Let $\bar{w}(\bar{f}_{a_j}) = \bar{f}_{b_j}$, $b_j \in Q$, $1 \leq j \leq n$. It is required to find some $\bar{f}_a \in \psi(\hat{M})$ such that $\bar{f}_a^{-1} \circ \bar{f}_{a_j} \circ \bar{f}_a = \bar{f}_{b_j}$, $1 \leq j \leq n$. Let $G_j = \{i \mid f_{a_j}(i) = a_j\}$, $1 \leq j \leq n$, and $H_j = \{i \mid g_{b_j} = b_j\}$, $1 \leq j \leq n$. Let $D_j = \{i \mid w_i(a_j) = b_j\}$, $1 \leq j \leq n$. Thus $G \in X$, where $G = \bigcap \{G_j \cap H_j \cap D_j \mid 1 \leq j \leq n\}$. Take some $m \in G$ and let $D = \{i \mid N_i \supseteq N_m\}$. Therefore $D \cap G \in X$. Now w_m is an inner automorphism of N_m taking P_m to Q_m . Therefore there exists some $a \in N_m$ such that $w_m(a_j) = a^{-1} \circ a_j \circ a$, all $1 \leq j \leq n$. But for all $i \in D \cap G$, $w_i(a_j) = b_j = w_m(a_j)$, $1 \leq j \leq n$. That is $\{i \mid w_i(a_j) = a^{-1} \circ a_j \circ a\} \in X$, $1 \leq j \leq n$. Therefore $\bar{f}_a^{-1} \circ \bar{f}_{a_j} \circ \bar{f}_a = \bar{f}_{b_j}$, all $1 \leq j \leq n$. Hence the required result. Q.E.D.

Footnote added at proof stage: It was initially thought by the author that the formula $S_{op}(y^0)$ was $(\pi N_i/X)$ allowable. This is not so. Thus Theorem 4.2, part c) must be restricted to the 'if' statement alone. Counter-examples exist for the 'only if' portion.

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