

Moron Maps and subspaces of N^* extending PFA

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The proof follows our pattern: We have our dense P_{ω_2} -ideal of functions. If forcing with $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{F})$ adds no extension, then there is a proper poset freezing this fact. Meeting ω_1 many dense sets pulls back to an \aleph_1 -sized subfamily of our dense P_{ω_2} -ideal which can not have a common extension – contradicting that it's a P_{ω_2} -ideal.

making sense of \dot{h} from local Lemma

For each k we are still assuming there is a single m_k such $S_k = \iota^{m_k} \setminus \text{dom}(f) \subset [n_k, n_{k+1})$ is non-empty. and that the fundamental lemma ensured that

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a 2-to-1 image which is not \mathbb{N}^*

For this we force with $\mathbb{P} = P_{2,2}$ and assume that we have $A_1 \oplus_{x_2}^{x_1} B_2 \approx_{\varphi} \mathbb{N}^*$. This implies the existence of a pair of homomorphisms, which we combine and call Φ where $\Phi_1(X)^* = \varphi^{-1}(X^* \cap A_1)$ and $\Phi_2(X)^* = \varphi^{-1}(X^* \cap B_2)$.

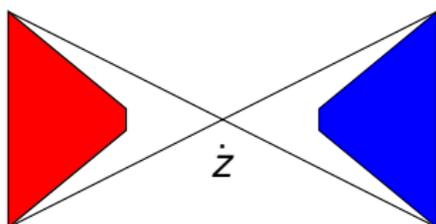
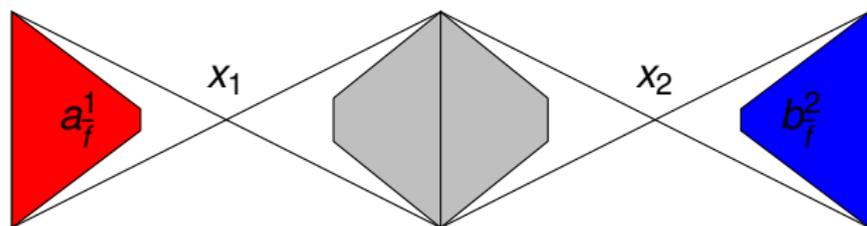
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We repeat the above fusion exactly except this time the definition of i_j^k is the maximum element of $\iota^{m_k} \setminus \text{dom}(f_{j-1})$ rather than the minimum.

And again, we finish the fusion, obtaining a larger function f and so that $\iota^{m_k} \setminus \text{dom}(f) \subset \{i_0^k, \dots, i_j^k\}$ for some j (whose value diverges to infinity along some set K).

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by symmetry may assume $\limsup |I_0 \cap S_k|$ is infinite. Then $f \cup I_1 \times \{1\}$ forces that \dot{h} is constantly 0 on $A \setminus a_f^*$