Computing the Number of Types of Infinite Length

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Abstract We show that the number of types of sequences of tuples of a fixed length can be calculated from the number of 1-types and the length of the sequences. Specifically, if $\kappa \leq \lambda$, then

$$\sup_{\|M\|=\lambda} \left| S^{\kappa}(M) \right| = \left(\sup_{\|M\|=\lambda} \left| S^{1}(M) \right| \right)^{\kappa}.$$

We show that this holds for any abstract elementary class with λ -amalgamation. No such calculation is possible for nonalgebraic types. However, we introduce a subclass of nonalgebraic types for which the same upper bound holds.

1 Introduction

A well-known result in stability theory is that stability for 1-types implies stability for *n*-types for all $n < \omega$ (see Shelah [S3, Section 2.2, Corollary I] or Pillay [P, Lemma 0.9]). In this paper, we generalize this result to types of infinite length.

Theorem 1.1 Given a complete theory T, if the supremum of the number of 1-types over models of size $\lambda \ge |T|$ is μ , then for any (possibly finite) cardinal $\kappa \le \lambda$, the supremum of the number of κ -types over models of size λ is exactly μ^{κ} .

We do this by using the semantic, rather than syntactic, properties of types. This allows our arguments to work in many nonelementary classes. Thus, we work in the framework of abstract elementary classes (AECs), which was introduced by Shelah [S1]. As we discuss in Section 2, AECs include elementary classes and various nonelementary classes, such as those axiomatized in $L_{\lambda^+,\omega}(Q)$. We use our results to answer a question of Shelah [S3].

While the number of types of sequences of infinite lengths has not been calculated before, these types have already seen extensive use under the name tp_* in [S3] and TP_* in [S5, Chapter V.D, Section 3]. While [S3] uses them most extensively, it is

Received September 18, 2013; accepted June 24, 2014 First published online November 25, 2016 2010 Mathematics Subject Classification: Primary 03C48; Secondary 03C45 Keywords: abstract elementary classes, types © 2017 by University of Notre Dame 10.1215/00294527-3768177 the use in [S5, Chapter V.D, Section 3] as types of models that might be most useful. This means that stability in λ can control the number of extensions of a model of size λ (see Section 3.11).

After seeing preliminary versions of this work, Rami Grossberg suggested that we investigate nonalgebraic versions of these results. Although they do not translate directly (see Remark 4.1), we introduce a subclass of nonalgebraic types of tuples called *strongly separative* types for which we can prove the same upper bound. In AECs with disjoint amalgamation, such as elementary classes, nonalgebraic and strongly separative types coincide for types of length 1. For longer types, we require that realizations are, in a sense, nonalgebraic over each other. For instance, in ACF_0 , the type of (e, π) can be considered "more nonalgebraic" over the set of algebraic numbers than the type of (e, 2e). This is made precise in Definition 4.2.

Finally, in Section 5, we investigate the saturation of types of various lengths. The "saturation equals model homogeneity" lemma (recall Lemma 2.6) shows that saturation is equivalent for all lengths. We also use bounds on the number of types and various structural properties to construct saturated models.

2 Preliminaries

We use the framework of AECs to prove our results. Thus, we offer the following primer on AECs and Galois types.

The definition for an AEC was first given by Shelah [S1]. The definitions and concepts in the section are all part of the literature (in particular, see Baldwin [B2], Shelah [S5], Grossberg [G1], or the forthcoming Grossberg [G2] for more information). The definition of an AEC can be found in any of those references (in particular, see [B2, Definition 4.1]).

We will briefly summarize some of the basic notations, definitions, and results for AECs.

Definition 2.1 Let *K* be an AEC.

- 1. A K-embedding is an injection $f : M \to N$ that respects L(K) such that $f(M) \prec N$.
- 2. *K* has the λ -amalgamation property (λ -AP) if and only if, for any $M \prec N_0$, $N_1 \in K_\lambda$, there are some $N^* \in K$ and $f_i : M \to N_i$ such that



commutes.

3. *K* has the λ -*disjoint amalgamation property* (λ -DAP) if and only if, for any $M \prec N_0, N_1 \in K_\lambda$, there are some $N^* \in K$ and $f_i : M \to N_i$ such that



commutes and $f_0(N_0) \cap f_1(N_1) = f_0(M)$.

4. K has the λ -joint mapping property (λ -JMP) if and only if, for any $M_0, M_1 \in K_{\lambda}$, there are some $N \in K$ and $f_{\ell} : M_{\ell} \to N$ for $\ell = 0, 1$.

Disjoint amalgamation is stronger than the normal amalgamation and is used to prove the equivalence between separativity and strong separativity in Section 4. It is an exercise in the use of compactness that every complete first-order theory satisfies disjoint amalgamation over models (see Hodges [H, Theorem 6.4.3]). For a general AEC, this is not the case. Baldwin, Kolesnikov, and Shelah [BKS] constructed examples of AECs without disjoint amalgamation. On the other hand, Shelah [S4] showed that disjoint amalgamation follows from certain amounts of structure (see, in particular, [S4, Conclusion 2.17 and Claim 5.11]). Additionally, Grossberg, VanDieren, and Villaveces [GVV] pointed out that many AECs with a well-developed independence notion, such as homogeneous model theory or finitary AECs, also satisfy disjoint amalgamation.

Galois types are central to this paper, so we review their definition. In first-order logic, types are consistent sets of formulas, and the power of these types comes from the unique features of first-order logic such as compactness. However, general AECs lack these properties, and so this definition of type is not useful. To compensate for this, Shelah [S2] isolated a semantic notion of type that Grossberg [G1] named Galois type, which replaces sets of formulas as the definition for types.

Let *K* be an AEC, $\lambda \ge LS(K)$, and let $(I, <_I)$ be an ordered set. **Definition 2.2**

- 1. Set $K_{\lambda}^{3,I} = \{(\langle a_i : i \in I \rangle, M, N) : M \in K_{\lambda}, M \prec N \in K_{\lambda+|I|}, \text{ and } \{a_i : i \in I\} \subset |N|\}$. The elements of this set are referred to as *pretypes*.
- 2. Given two pretypes $(\langle a_i : i \in I \rangle, M, N)$ and $(\langle b_i : i \in I \rangle, M', N')$ from $K_{\lambda}^{3,I}$, we say that $(\langle a_i : i \in I \rangle, M, N) \sim_{AT} (\langle b_i : i \in I \rangle, M', N')$ if and only if M = M' and there are $N^* \in K$, $f : N \to N^*$, and $g : N' \to N^*$ so that $f(a_i) = g(b_i)$ for all $i \in I$ and the following diagram commutes:



- 3. Let ~ be the transitive closure of \sim_{AT} .
- 4. For $M \in K$, set $gtp(\langle a_i : i \in I \rangle / M, N) = [(\langle a_i : i \in I \rangle, M, N)]_{\sim}$ and $gS^I(M) = \{gtp(\langle a_i : i \in I \rangle / M, N) : (\langle a_i : i \in I \rangle / M, N) \in K^{3,I}_{\parallel M \parallel}\}.$ 5. For $M \in K$, define $gS^I_{na}(M) = \{tp(\langle a_i : i \in I \rangle / M, N) \in S^I(M) : a_i \in I\}$
- N M for all $i \in I$ }.
- 6. Let $M \in K$ and $p = gtp(\langle a_i : i \in I \rangle / M, N) \in gS^I(M)$.
 - If $M' \prec M$, then $p \upharpoonright M'$ is $gtp(\langle a_i : i \in I \rangle / M', N')$ for some (any) $N' \in K_{\parallel M' \parallel + |I|}$ with $M' \prec N' \prec N$ and $\langle a_i : i \in I \rangle \subset |N'|$.
 - If $I_0 \subset I$, then p^{I_0} is $gtp(\langle a_i : i \in I_0 \rangle / M, N')$ for some (any) $N' \in K_{\|M\|+|I_0|}$ with $M \prec N' \prec N$ and $\langle a_i : i \in I_0 \rangle \subset |N'|$.

Remark 2.3 If K has the $\lambda + |I|$ -amalgamation property, then \sim_{AT} is transitive and, thus, an equivalence relation on $K_{\lambda}^{3,I}$.

Since we will make extensive use of Galois types, we will assume that all AECs have the amalgamation property. We will also use the joint mapping property as a "connectedness" property. For first-order theories, these properties follow from compactness and interpolation.

In the first-order case, amalgamation over models follows directly from compactness and interpolation. For complete theories, amalgamation holds over sets as well. Furthermore, Galois types and syntactic types correspond: the syntactic types of *a* and *b* over *M* are equal if and only if their Galois types are equal. This means that Theorem 1.1 from Section 1 follows from Theorem 3.5 below, and we can translate the other results similarly. However, there is no AEC version of tp_{Δ} for $\Delta \subsetneq Fml(L)$; we summarize what we do know at the end of the next section.

For AECs axiomatized in other logics, this correspondence breaks down. Baldwin and Kolesnikov [BK] analyzed the Hart–Shelah examples from [SH] to show that two elements can have the same syntactic type but different Galois types, even in an $L_{\omega_1,\omega}$ -axiomatized class.

There is a relation in the other direction. If the syntactic types of two elements are different in a logic that the AEC can "see," then the Galois types must be different as well. For instance suppose that ψ is a sentence in some fragment L_A of $L_{\lambda+,\omega}$. If $tp_{L_A}(a/M, N_1) \neq tp_{L_A}(b/M, N_2)$, then their Galois types must differ in the AEC (Mod ψ, \prec_{L_A}). This means that classical many-type theorems for nonfirstorder logic, such as those for $L_{\omega_1,\omega}$ in [K2] and for L(Q) in [K1], imply the existence of many Galois types.

We investigate the supremum of the number of types of a fixed length over all models of a fixed size. To simplify this discussion, we introduce the following notation.

Definition 2.4 The type bound for λ -sized domains and κ -lengths is denoted $\operatorname{tb}_{\lambda}^{\kappa} = \sup_{M \in K_{\lambda}} |gS^{\kappa}(M)|.$

Shelah has introduced the notation of tp_* in [S3, Chapter III, Definition 1.1] and TP_* in [S5, Chapter V.D, Definition 3.5] to denote the types of infinite tuples, with tp_* having a syntactic definition (sets of formulas) and TP_* having a semantic definition (Galois types). Thus, tb_{λ}^{κ} counts the maximum number of types of a fixed length κ over models of a fixed size λ , allowing for the possibility that this maximum is not achieved. These long types are also used fruitfully in Makkai and Shelah [SM], Grossberg and VanDieren [GV2], and Boney and Grossberg [BG].

Clearly, λ -stability is the same as the statement that $tb_{\lambda}^{1} = \lambda$. Also, we always have $tb_{\lambda}^{1} \geq \lambda$ because each element in a model has a distinct type. Other notations have been used to count the supremum of the number of types, although the lengths have been finite. Keisler [K3] uses

$$f_T(\kappa) = \sup\{|S^1(M,N)| : M, N \models T, M \prec N, \text{ and } \|M\| = \kappa\}.$$

Shelah [S3, Chapter II, Definition 4.4] uses, for $\Delta \subset L(T)$ and $m < \omega$,

$$K^{m}_{\Delta}(\lambda, T) := \min\{\mu : |A| \le \lambda \text{ implies } |S^{m}_{\Delta}(A)| < \mu\}$$
$$= \sup_{|A|=\lambda} (|S^{m}_{\Delta}(A)|^{+}).$$

The relationships between these follow easily from the definitions

$$f_T(\kappa) = tb_{\lambda}^1,$$

$$K_{L(T)}^m(\lambda, T) = \sup_{\|M\| = \lambda} (|S^m(M)|^+) = \begin{cases} tb_{\lambda}^m & \text{if } K_{L(T)}^m(\lambda, T) \text{ is limit,} \\ (tb_{\lambda}^m)^+ & \text{if } K_{L(T)}^m(\lambda, T) \text{ is successor,} \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} tb_{\lambda}^m & \text{if } tb_{\lambda}^m \text{ is a strict supremum,} \\ (tb_{\lambda}^m)^+ & \text{if the supremum in } tb_{\lambda}^m \text{ is achieved.} \end{cases}$$

From this last equality, a basic question concerning tb_{λ}^{κ} is if the supremum is strict or if there is a model that achieves the value. Below we describe two cases when the supremum in tb_{λ}^{κ} is achieved.

Proposition 2.5 Suppose that K is an AEC with λ -AP and λ -JMP and $\kappa \leq \lambda$. If cf $tb_{\lambda}^{\kappa} \leq \lambda$ or if $I(K, \lambda) \leq \lambda$, then there is $M \in K_{\lambda}$ such that $|gS^{\kappa}(M)| = tb_{\lambda}^{\kappa}$.

Proof The idea of this proof is to put at the most λ -many λ -sized models together into a single λ -sized model that will witness the conclusion. Pick $\langle M_i^* \in K_{\lambda} : i < \chi \rangle$ with $\chi \leq \lambda$ such that $\{|gS^{\kappa}(M_i^*)| : i < \chi\}$ has supremum tb_{λ}^{κ} ; in the first case, this can be done by the definition of supremum, and in the second case, this can be done because there are only $I(K, \lambda)$ -many possible values for $|gS^{\kappa}(M)|$ when $M \in K_{\lambda}$. Using amalgamation and joint mapping, we construct increasing and continuous $\langle N_i \in K_{\lambda} : i < \chi \rangle$ such that M_i^* is embeddable in N_{i+1} . Set $M = \bigcup_{i < \chi} N_i$. Since $\chi \leq \lambda$, we have $M \in K_{\lambda}$; this fact is also crucial in our construction. Since M_i^* can be embedded in M, we have that $|gS^{\kappa}(M_i^*)| \leq |gS^{\kappa}(M)| \leq tb_{\lambda}^{\kappa}$. Taking the supremum over all $i < \chi$, we get $tb_{\lambda}^{\kappa} = |gS^{\kappa}(M)|$, as desired.

The use of joint embedding here seems necessary, at least from a naive point of view. It seems possible to have distinct AECs K^n in a common language that have models $M^n \in K^n_{\lambda}$ such that $|gS^{\kappa}(M^n)| = tb^{\kappa}_{\lambda} = \lambda^{+n}$, each computed in K^n . Then, we could form K^{ω} as the disjoint union of these classes; this would be an AEC with $tb^{\kappa}_{\lambda} = \lambda^{+\omega}$, and the supremum would not be achieved. However, examples of such K^n , even with $\kappa = 1$, are not known, and the specified values of $|gS^{\kappa}(\cdot)|$ might not be possible.

We now state the "model homogeneity equals saturation" lemma for AECs. This has long been known for first-order theories and first appeared for AECs in [S2] (see Shelah [S4, Lemma 0.26(1)] for a detailed proof).

Lemma 2.6 (Shelah) Let K be an AEC with amalgamation and $\lambda > LS(K)$. Then the following are equivalent for $M \in K$:

- *M* is λ -model homogeneous: for every $N_1 \prec N_2 \in K_{<\lambda}$ with $N_1 \prec M$, there is a *K* embedding $f : N_2 \rightarrow_{N_1} M$; and
- *M* is λ -Galois saturated: for every $N \prec M$ with $||N|| < \lambda$ and every $p \in S^1(N)$, *p* is realized in *M*.

3 Results on $S^{\alpha}(M)$

This section aims to prove Theorem 1.1 for AECs. In our notation, this can be stated as follows.

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Theorem 3.1 If K is an AEC with λ -amalgamation and λ -joint mapping, then for any $\kappa \leq \lambda$, allowing κ to be finite or infinite, we have $t\mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{\kappa} = (t\mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{1})^{\kappa}$.

We prove this by proving a lower bound (Theorem 3.2) and an upper bound (Theorem 3.5) for tb_{λ}^{κ} . Note that, when $\kappa = \lambda$, this value is always the set-theoretic maximum 2^{λ} . However, for $1 < \kappa < \min\{\chi : (tb_{\lambda}^{1})^{\chi} = 2^{\lambda}\}$, this provides new information.

For readers interested in AECs beyond elementary classes, we note the use of amalgamation for the rest of this section and for the rest of this paper. It remains open whether these or other bounds can be found on the number of types without amalgamation. One possible obstacle is that different types cannot be put together: if we assume amalgamation, then given two types $p, q \in gS^1(M)$, there is some type $r \in gS^2(M)$ such that its first coordinate extends p and its second coordinate extends q. This will be a crucial tool in the proof of the lower bound. However, if we cannot amalgamate a model that realizes p and a model that realizes q over M, then such an extension type does not necessarily exist. An example of this occurs in the example of an AEC without amalgamation from [BKS, Example 0.2]: the types of elements in all the P_n 's from each equivalence relation cannot be combined into one type.

For the lower bound, we essentially "put together" all of the different types in $gS^{1}(M)$ as discussed above.

Theorem 3.2 Let K be an AEC with λ -AP and λ -JMP. We have $t\mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{\kappa} \ge (t\mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{1})^{\kappa}$. In particular, given $M \in K_{\lambda}, |gS^{\kappa}(M)| \ge |gS^{1}(M)|^{\kappa}$.

Proof We first prove the "in particular" clause and use that to prove the statement. Fix $M \in K_{\lambda}$, and set $\mu = |gS^{1}(M)|$. Fix some enumeration $\langle p_{i} : i < \mu \rangle$ of $gS^{1}(M)$. Then we claim that there is some $M^{+} \succ M$ that realizes all of the types in $gS^{1}(M)$.

To see this, let $N_i > M$ of size λ contain a realization of p_i . Then set $M_0 = M$ and $M_1 = N_0$. For $\alpha = \beta + 1$, amalgamate M_β and N_β over M to get $M_\alpha > M_\beta$ and $f : N_\beta \to_M M_\alpha$; since N_β realizes $p_\beta \in S(M)$, $f(N_\beta)$ realizes $f(p_\beta) = p_\beta$. So M_α does as well. Take unions at limits. Then $M^+ := \bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} M_\beta$ realizes each type in $gS^1(M)$.

Having proved the claim, we show that $|gS^{\kappa}(M)| \ge \mu^{\kappa}$. For each $i < \mu$, pick $a_i \in |M^+|$ that realizes p_i . For each $f \in {}^{\kappa}\mu$, set $\mathbf{a}_f = \langle a_{f(i)} : i < \kappa \rangle$. We claim that the map $(f \in {}^{\kappa}\mu) \to gtp(\mathbf{a}_f/M, M^+)$ is injective, which completes the proof.

To prove injectivity, note that $gtp(a_j/M, M^+) = gtp(a_k/M, M^+)$ if and only if j = k. Suppose $gtp(\mathbf{a}_f/M, M^+) = gtp(\mathbf{a}_g/M, M^+)$. Then, we see that $gtp(a_{f(i)}/M, M^+) = gtp(a_{g(i)}/M, M^+)$ for each $i < \kappa$. By our above note, that means that f(i) = g(i) for every $i \in \kappa = \text{dom } f = \text{dom } g$. So f = g. Thus, $|gS^{\kappa}(M)| \ge |^{\kappa}\mu| = \mu^{\kappa}$, as desired.

Now we prove that $tb_{\lambda}^{\kappa} \ge (tb_{\lambda}^{1})^{\kappa}$. This is done by separating into cases based on $cf(tb_{\lambda}^{1})$. If $cf(tb_{\lambda}^{1}) > \kappa$, then it is known that exponentiating to κ is continuous at tb_{λ}^{1} . Stated more plainly, if X is a set of cardinals such that $cf(\sup_{\chi \in X} \chi) > \kappa$, then

$$\left(\sup_{\chi\in X}\chi\right)^{\kappa} = \sup_{\chi\in X}(\chi^{\kappa}).$$

Then, we compute that

$$(\mathfrak{tb}_{\lambda}^{1})^{\kappa} = \left(\sup_{M \in K_{\lambda}} \left| gS^{1}(M) \right| \right)^{\kappa} = \sup_{M \in K_{\lambda}} \left(\left| gS^{1}(M) \right|^{\kappa} \right) \le \sup_{M \in K_{\lambda}} \left| gS^{\kappa}(M) \right| = \mathfrak{tb}_{\lambda}^{\kappa}.$$

If $cf(tb_{\lambda}^{1}) \leq \kappa$, then we also have $cf(tb_{\lambda}^{1}) \leq \lambda$. By Proposition 2.5, we know that the supremum of tb_{λ}^{1} is achieved, say, by $M^{*} \in K_{\lambda}$. Then

$$(\mathfrak{tb}_{\lambda}^{1})^{\kappa} = \left| gS^{1}(M^{*}) \right|^{\kappa} \leq \left| gS^{\kappa}(M^{*}) \right| \leq \sup_{M \in K_{\lambda}} \left| gS^{\kappa}(M) \right| = \mathfrak{tb}_{\lambda}^{\kappa}.$$

Now we show the upper bound. We do this in two steps. First, we present the "successor step" in Theorem 3.3 to give the reader the flavor of the argument. Then Theorem 3.5 gives the full argument by using direct limits.

Theorem 3.3 For any AEC K with λ -AP and any $n < \omega$, $tb_{\lambda}^{n} \le tb_{\lambda}^{1}$.

Note that, since it includes the ||M||-many algebraic types, $gS^1(M)$ is always infinite, so this result could be written $tb_{\lambda}^n \leq (tb_{\lambda}^1)^n$.

Proof We prove this by induction on $n < \omega$. The base case is $tb_{\lambda}^{1} \le tb_{\lambda}^{1}$. Suppose $tb_{\lambda}^{n} \le tb_{\lambda}^{1}$, and set $\mu = tb_{\lambda}^{1}$. For contradiction, suppose there is some $M \in K_{\lambda}$ such that $|gS^{n+1}(M)| > \mu$. Then we can find distinct $\{p_i \in S^{n+1}(M) \mid i < \mu^+\}$ and find $\langle a_j^i \mid j < n+1 \rangle \models p_i$ and $N_i > M$ that contains each a_j^i for j < n+1.

Consider $\{gtp(\langle a_j^i | j < n \rangle / M, N_i) : i < \mu^+\} \subset gS^n(M)$. By assumption, this set has size μ . So there is some $I \subset \mu^+$ of size μ^+ such that, for all $i \in I$, $gtp(\langle a_j^i | j < n \rangle / M, N_i)$ is constant.

Fix $i_0 \in I$. For any $i \in I$, the Galois types of $\langle a_j^i : j < n \rangle$ and $\langle a_j^{i_0} : j < n \rangle$ over M are equal. Thus, there are $N_i^* \succ N_{i_0}$ and $f_i : N_i \to_M N_i^*$ such that $f_i(a_j^i) = a_j^{i_0}$ for all j < n and



commutes. Now consider the set $\{gtp(f_i(a_n^i)/N_{i_0}, N_i^*) \mid i \in I\}$. We have that $|I| = \mu^+$ and $|S^1(N_{i_0})| \le tb_{\lambda}^1 = \mu$, so there is $I^* \subset I$ of size μ^+ so, for all $i \in I^*$, $gtp(f_i(a_n^i)/N_{i_0}, N_i^*)$ is constant. Let $i \ne k \in I^*$.

Then $gtp(f_i(a_n^i)/N_{i_0}, N_i^*) = gtp(f_k(a_n^k)/N_{i_0}, N_k^*)$. By the definition of Galois types, we can find N^{**} , $g_k : N_k^* \to N^{**}$, and $g_i : N_i^* \to N^{**}$ such that $g_k(f_k(a_n^k)) = g_i(f_i(a_n^i))$ and the following commutes



We put these diagrams together and get the following:



Thus, we have amalgamated N_i^* and N_k^* over M. Furthermore, for each j < n+1, we have $g_k(f_k(a_j^k)) = g_i(f_i(a_j^i))$. This witnesses $gtp(\langle a_j^i | j < n+1 \rangle / M, N_i) = gtp(\langle a_j^j | j < n+1 \rangle / M, N_j)$, which is a contradiction. Thus, $|gS^{n+1}(M)| \le \mu = tb_{\lambda}^1$ for all $M \in K_{\lambda}$ as desired.

This proof can be seen as a semantic generalization of the proof that stability for 1-types implies stability. Now we wish to prove this upper bound for types of any length less than or equal to λ .

The proof works by induction to construct a tree of objects that is indexed by (tb_{λ}^{1}) —called μ in the proof—that codes all κ -length types as its branches. Successor stages of the construction are similar to the above proof but with added bookkeeping. At limit stages, we wish to continue the construction in a continuous way. However, we will have a family of embeddings rather than an increasing \prec_{K} -chain. This is fine since the following closure under direct limits follows from the AEC axioms.

Fact 3.4 If we have $\langle M_i \in K : i < \kappa \rangle$ and, for $i < j < \kappa$, a coherent set of embeddings $f_{i,j} : M_j \to M_i$ —that is, one so that, for $i < j < k < \kappa$, $f_{i,k} = f_{j,k} \circ f_{i,j}$ —then there are an L(K)-structure $M = \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow i < j < \kappa \\ m \neq i < m}} (M_i, f_{i,j})$ and embeddings $f_{i,\infty} : M_i \to M$ so that, for all $i < j < \kappa$, $f_{i,\infty} = f_{j,\infty} \circ f_{i,j}$ and, for each $x \in M$, there is some $i < \kappa$ and $m \in M_i$ so $f_{i,\infty}(m) = x$. Furthermore, the model $M \in K$, and each $f_{i,\infty}$ is a K-embedding.

This first appeared for AECs in VanDieren's thesis [V] based on work of Cohn in 1965 on the direct limits of algebras. A proof of this fact can also be found in [G2].

We now prove the main theorem.

Theorem 3.5 If *K* is an AEC with λ -AP and $\kappa \leq \lambda$, then $tb_{\lambda}^{\kappa} \leq (tb_{\lambda}^{1})^{\kappa}$.

Proof Set $\mu = tb_{\lambda}^{1}$. Let $M \in K_{\lambda}$, and enumerate $gS^{\kappa}(M)$ as $\langle p_{i} \in gS^{\kappa}(M) : i < \chi \rangle$, where $\chi = |gS^{\kappa}(M)|$. We will show that $\chi \leq \mu^{\kappa}$, which gives the result. For each $i < \chi$, find $N_{0}^{i} \in K_{\lambda}$ such that $M \prec N_{0}^{i}$ and there is $\langle a_{i}^{\alpha} \in |N_{0}^{i}| : \alpha < \kappa \rangle \models p_{i}$.

The formal construction is laid out below, but we give the idea first. Our construction will essentially create three objects: a tree of models $\langle M_{\eta} : \eta \in {}^{<\kappa} \mu \rangle$; for each $i < \chi$, a function $\eta_i : \kappa \to \mu$; and, for each $i < \chi$, a coherent, continuous system $\{N_{\alpha}^i, \hat{f}_{\beta,\alpha}^i : \beta < \alpha < \kappa\}$. The tree of models will be domains of types such that the relation of M_{η} to $M_{\eta \frown j}$ is like that of M to N_{i_0} in Theorem 3.3. We would like the value of the function η_i at some $\alpha < \kappa$ to determine the type of a_i^{α} over $M_{\eta_i \upharpoonright \alpha}$. This cannot work because a_i^{α} is not in a model also containing M_{ν} ; instead, we use its image $\hat{f}_{0,\alpha+1}^i(a_i^{\alpha})$ under the coherent system. At successor stages of our construction, we will put together elements of equal type over a fixed witness (i_{η} here standing in for i_0 in Theorem 3.3). At limit stages, we take direct limits.

Once we finish our construction, we show that the map $i \in \chi \mapsto \eta_i \in {}^{\kappa}\mu$ is injective. This is done by putting the type-realizing sequence together along the chain $\langle M_{\eta_i \upharpoonright \alpha} : \alpha < \kappa \rangle$ to show that η_i characterizes p_i .

More formally, we construct the following:

- 1. a continuous tree of models $\langle M_{\eta} \in K_{\lambda} : \eta \in {}^{<\kappa} \mu \rangle$ with an enumeration of the types over each model $gS^{1}(M_{\eta}) = \{p_{j}^{\eta} : j < |gS^{1}(M_{\eta})|\};$
- 2. for each $i < \chi$, a function $\eta_i \in {}^{\kappa}\mu$;
- 3. for each $\eta \in {}^{<\kappa}\mu$, an ordinal $i_{\eta} < \chi$;
- 4. for each $i < \chi$, a coherent, continuous system $\{N^i_{\alpha}, \hat{f}^i_{\beta,\alpha} : N^i_{\beta} \to_{M_{\eta_i \upharpoonright \beta}} N^i_{\alpha} : \beta < \alpha < \kappa\}$; that is, one such that $\gamma < \beta < \alpha < \kappa$ implies $\hat{f}^i_{\gamma,\alpha} = \hat{f}^i_{\beta,\alpha} \circ \hat{f}^i_{\gamma,\beta}$ and such that $\delta < \kappa$ implies $(N^i_{\delta}, \hat{f}^i_{\alpha,\delta})_{\alpha < \delta} = \varinjlim_{\gamma < \beta < \delta} (N^i_{\alpha}, \hat{f}^i_{\gamma,\beta})$ for δ a limit ordinal.

Our construction will have the following properties for all $\eta \in {}^{\beta}\mu$ when $\beta < \kappa$.

- (A) $i_{\eta} = \min\{i < \chi : \eta < \eta_i\}$ if that set is nonempty.
- (B) $M_{\eta \frown \langle j \rangle} := N_{\beta}^{i_{\eta \frown \langle j \rangle}}$ and $M_{\eta_i \upharpoonright \beta} \prec N_{\beta}^i$.
- (C) If $\eta^{\gamma}\langle j \rangle < \eta_i$, then $p_j^{\eta} = gtp(\hat{f}_{0,\beta}^i(a_i^{\beta})/M_{\eta}, N_{\beta}^i)$. In particular, this is witnessed by the following diagram:



with $\widehat{f}_{0,\beta+1}^{i}(a_{i}^{\beta}) = \widehat{f}_{0,\beta}^{i_{\eta}\frown \langle j \rangle}(a_{i_{\eta}\frown \langle j \rangle}^{\beta}).$

Construction. At stage $\alpha < \kappa$ of the construction, we will construct $\langle M_{\eta} : \eta \in {}^{\alpha}\mu \rangle$, $\eta_i \upharpoonright \alpha$, and $\{N_{\alpha}^i, \hat{f}_{\beta,\alpha}^i : \beta < \alpha\}$ for all $i < \chi$.

Stage $\alpha = \emptyset$. We set $M_{\emptyset} = M$ and note that N_0^i is already defined. Then $\hat{f}_{0,0}^i$ is the identity.

Stage α is limit. For each $\eta \in {}^{\alpha}\mu$, set $M_{\eta} = \bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} M_{\eta \restriction \beta}$ and $(N^{i}_{\alpha}, \hat{f}^{i}_{\beta,\alpha})_{\alpha < \delta} = \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \gamma < \beta < \delta}} (N^{i}_{\alpha}, \hat{f}^{i}_{\gamma,\beta})$ as required. The values of $\eta_{i} \restriction \alpha$ are already determined by the earlier phases of the construction.

Stage $\alpha = \beta + 1$. We have constructed our system for each $\nu \in {}^{\beta}\mu$. This means that there are enumerations $\{p_k^{\nu} : k < |gS^1(M_{\nu})|\}$ of the 1-types with domain M_{ν} .

Then, if $i < \chi$ such that $\nu = \eta_i \upharpoonright \beta$, we set

$$\eta_i(\beta) = k$$
, where $k < \mu$ is unique such that $gtp(\hat{f}^i_{0,\beta}(a^\beta_i)/M_\nu, N^i_\beta) = p^\nu_k$.

Then, for each $\eta \in {}^{\alpha}\mu$, set $i_{\eta} = \min\{i < \chi : \eta_i \upharpoonright \alpha = \eta\}$ if this set is nonempty; pick it arbitrarily otherwise. Then, for all $i < \chi$, we have that

$$gtp(\widehat{f}_{0,\beta}^{i}(a_{i}^{\beta})/M_{\nu}, N_{\beta}^{i}) = gtp(\widehat{f}_{0,\beta}^{i_{\eta_{i}}\restriction\alpha}(a_{i_{\eta_{i}}\restriction\alpha}^{\beta})/M_{\nu}, N_{\beta}^{i_{\eta_{i}}\restriction\alpha})$$

This Galois-type equality means that there is a model $N_{\beta+1}^i \succ N_{\beta}^{i_{\eta_i} \upharpoonright \alpha}$ and a function $\widehat{f}_{\beta,\beta+1}^i : N_{\beta}^i \to_{M_{\nu}} N_{\beta+1}^i$ such that

$$\widehat{f}^{i}_{\beta,\beta+1}(\widehat{f}^{i}_{0,\beta}(a^{\beta}_{i})) = \widehat{f}^{i_{\eta_{i}}\restriction\alpha}_{0,\beta}(a^{\beta}_{i_{\eta_{i}}\restriction\alpha}).$$

Set $M_{\eta} = N_{\beta}^{\eta_i \restriction \alpha}$ (note that this does not depend on the choice of *i*), and for $\gamma \leq \beta$, set $\widehat{f}^i_{\gamma,\beta+1} = \widehat{f}^i_{\beta,\beta+1} \circ \widehat{f}^i_{\gamma,\beta}$. This completes the construction. *This is enough*. As indicated above, we will show that the map that takes $i \in \chi$ to $\eta_i \in {}^{\kappa}\mu$ is injective. We do this by showing that $\eta_i = \eta_j$ implies $p_i = p_j$, and recalling that the enumeration of $gS^{\kappa}(M)$ is also injective, we must have i = j.

Let $i, j < \chi$ such that $\eta := \eta_i = \eta_j$. We want to show $p_i = p_j$. We have the following commuting diagram of models for each $\beta < \alpha < \kappa$:



with the property that, for each $\alpha < \kappa$,

$$\widehat{f}^{i}_{0,\alpha+1}(a^{\alpha}_{i}) = \widehat{f}^{i}_{0,\alpha}{}^{i}_{n\uparrow\alpha+1}(a^{\alpha}_{i_{n\uparrow\alpha+1}})$$
$$= \widehat{f}^{j}_{0,\alpha+1}(a^{\alpha}_{j}).$$

Note that this element is in $M_{\eta \upharpoonright \alpha + 1}$. Now set $\widehat{M} = \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} M_{\eta \upharpoonright \alpha}$.

Let k stand in for either i or j. Set $(\widehat{N}^k, \widehat{f}^k_{\alpha,\infty})_{\alpha < \kappa} = \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \gamma < \beta < \kappa}} (N^k_\beta, \widehat{f}^k_{\gamma,\beta})$. This gives us the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} N_0^i & \longleftarrow M \longrightarrow N_0^j \\ \widehat{f}_{0,\infty}^i & & & \downarrow & \widehat{f}_{0,\infty}^j \\ \widehat{N}^i & \longleftarrow \widehat{M} \longrightarrow \widehat{N}^j \end{array}$$

Then we can amalgamate \widehat{N}^{j} and \widehat{N}^{i} over \widehat{M} with



Then, for all $\alpha < \kappa$ and k = i, j, $\widehat{f}_{0,\infty}^k(a_k^{\alpha}) = \widehat{f}_{\alpha+1,\infty}^k(\widehat{f}_{0,\alpha+1}^k(a_k^{\alpha}))$. We know that $\widehat{f}_{0,\alpha+1}^k(a_k^{\alpha}) \in |M_{\eta \restriction \alpha+1}|$, so it is fixed by f_{β}^k for $\beta > \alpha + 1$. This means it is also fixed by $\widehat{f}_{\alpha+1,\infty}^k$. Then

$$\widehat{f}_{0,\infty}^k(a_k^{\alpha}) = \widehat{f}_{\alpha+1,\infty}^k(\widehat{f}_{0,\alpha+1}^k(a_k^{\alpha})) = \widehat{f}_{0,\alpha+1}^k(a_k^{\alpha}) = \widehat{f}_{0,\alpha}^{i_{\eta\uparrow\alpha+1}}(a_{i_{\eta\uparrow\alpha+1}}^{\alpha}).$$

Since this last term is independent of whether *k* is *i* or *j*, we have $\widehat{f}_{0,\infty}^{i}(a_{i}^{\alpha}) = \widehat{f}_{0,\infty}^{j}(a_{j}^{\alpha}) \in \widehat{M}$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$. Since our amalgamating diagram commutes over \widehat{M} , $f(\widehat{f}_{0}^{i}(a_{i}^{\alpha})) = g(\widehat{f}_{0}^{j}(a_{j}^{\alpha}))$. Combining the above, we have



with $f \circ \hat{f}^{i}_{0,\infty}(\langle a^{\alpha}_{i} \mid \alpha < \kappa \rangle) = g \circ \hat{f}^{j}_{0,\infty}(\langle a^{\alpha}_{j} \mid \alpha < \kappa \rangle).$ Thus,

$$p_i = gtp(\langle a_i^{\alpha} \mid \alpha < \kappa \rangle / M, N_0^i) = gtp(\langle a_j^{\alpha} \mid \alpha < \kappa \rangle / M, N_0^j) = p_j.$$

Since each p_k was distinct, this implies that i = j. The map $i \mapsto \eta_i$ is injective and $\chi \leq \mu^{\kappa}$ as desired.

We now explore some results for first-order model theory.

As mentioned in Section 1, the above result gives us the proof of Theorem 1.1.

Proof of Theorem 1.1 As discussed in the last section, $(\text{Mod } T, \prec_{L(T)})$ is an AEC with amalgamation over sets. Given a set *A*, passing to a model containing *A* can only increase the number of types. Thus, even in this case, it is enough to only consider models when computing tb. Thus,

$$\sup_{A \subset M \models T, \|A\| = \lambda} \left| S^{\mu}(A) \right| = \mathsf{tb}_{\lambda}^{\mu} = (\mathsf{tb}_{\lambda}^{1})^{\mu} = \left(\sup_{A \subset M \models T, \|A\| = \lambda} \left| S^{1}(A) \right| \right)^{\mu}$$

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as desired.

After seeing this work, Alexei Kolesnikov pointed out a much simpler proof of Theorem 3.5 for first-order theories or, more generally, for AECs that are $< \omega$ -type short over λ -sized domains (see [Bo, Definition 3.4] for a definition or ignore this case at no real loss); in either case, a type of infinite length is determined by its restrictions to finite sets of variables. Fix a type $p \in S^{I}(M)$ with I infinite. The previous comment means that the map

$$p\mapsto\prod_{\mathbf{x}\in[I]<\omega}p^{\mathbf{x}}$$

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from $S^{I}(M)$ to $\prod_{\mathbf{x} \in [I] \le \omega} S^{\mathbf{x}}(M)$ is injective. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| S^{I}(M) \right| &\leq \prod_{\mathbf{x} \in [I]^{<\omega}} \left| S^{\mathbf{x}}(M) \right| = \prod_{\mathbf{x} \in [I]^{<\omega}} \left| S^{1}(M) \right| \\ &= \left| S^{1}(M) \right|^{|[I]^{<\omega}|} = \left| S^{1}(M) \right|^{|I|}. \end{aligned}$$

This is in fact a strengthening of Theorem 3.5 as in Theorem 3.2; that is, there is a model-by-model bound, rather than just a global bound. These relationships also help to shed light on a question of Shelah.

Question 3.6 ([§3, III.7.6]) Is $K_{L(T)}^{m}(\lambda, T) = K_{L(T)}^{1}(\lambda, T)$ for $m < \omega$?

The answer is yes, even for a more general question, under some cardinal arithmetic assumptions. Below, $\lambda^{(+\lambda^+)}$ denotes the λ^+ th successor of λ^+ .

Theorem 3.7 Suppose that $2^{\lambda} < \lambda^{(+\lambda^+)}$. If $\Delta \subset Fml(L(T))$ is such that $\phi(\mathbf{x}, x, \mathbf{y}) \in \Delta$ implies $\exists z \phi(\mathbf{x}, z, \mathbf{y}) \in \Delta$ and $n < \omega$, then

$$K^n_{\Delta}(\lambda, T) = K^1_{\Delta}(\lambda, T).$$

Proof There are two cases to consider: whether the supremum in tb_{λ}^{m} is strict or is achieved. If the supremum is strict, then we claim the supremum in tb_{λ}^{1} is strict as well. If not, there is some $M \in K_{\lambda}$ such that $|S^{1}(M)| = tb_{\lambda}^{1}$. But then, by Theorem 3.2,

$$\operatorname{tb}_{\lambda}^{m} > \left| S^{m}(M) \right| \ge \left| S^{1}(M) \right|^{m} = (\operatorname{tb}_{\lambda}^{1})^{m} = \operatorname{tb}_{\lambda}^{m},$$

which is a contradiction. So tb_{λ}^{m} is a strict supremum and

$$K_{L(T)}^{m}(\lambda, T) = \mathbf{tb}_{\lambda}^{m} = \mathbf{tb}_{\lambda}^{1} = K_{L(T)}^{1}(\lambda, T).$$

Note that this continues to hold if m is infinite or if we consider the corresponding relationship for Galois types in an AEC with amalgamation. Furthermore, this does not use the cardinal arithmetic assumption.

Now we consider the case in which the supremum in tb_{λ}^{m} is achieved and suppose for contradiction that the supremum in tb_{λ}^{1} is strict. Then m > 1, and we assume it is the minimal such m. If $tb_{\lambda}^{m} = tb_{\lambda}^{1}$ is regular, then the pigeonhole argument used in Theorem 3.2 can find a model achieving tb_{λ}^{1} . In fact, this argument just requires that

$$\sup\left\{\left|S^{m-1}(Ma)\right|:a\vDash p,\,p\in S^{1}(M)\right\}<\lambda.$$

By the remarks above the question, we know that cf $tb_{\lambda}^1 > \lambda$ since the supremum is strict. This gives us that

$$\lambda < \mathrm{cf}\, \mathrm{tb}^1_\lambda < \mathrm{tb}^1_\lambda \leq 2^\lambda$$

However, this contradicts our cardinal arithmetic assumption because the minimal singular cardinal with cofinality above λ is $\lambda^{(+\lambda^+)} > 2^{\lambda}$. Thus,

$$K_{L(T)}^{m}(\lambda,T) = (\mathfrak{tb}_{\lambda}^{m})^{+} = (\mathfrak{tb}_{\lambda}^{1})^{+} = K_{L(T)}^{1}(\lambda,T).$$

We now examine local types in first-order theories. For $\Delta \subset Fml(L(T))$, set

$$\Delta \mathfrak{tb}_{\kappa}^{\lambda} = \sup_{M \models T, \|M\| = \lambda} \left| S_{\Delta}^{\kappa}(M) \right|$$

If $\Delta = \{\phi\}$, we simply write $\phi t b_{\lambda}^{\kappa}$. Unfortunately, there is no semantic equivalent of Δ -types, so the methods and proofs above do not transfer. For a lower bound, we can prove the following in the same way as Theorem 3.2.

Proposition 3.8 If T is a first-order theory and $\Delta \subset Fml(L(T))$, then for any κ we have that $|S_{\Delta}^{1}(A)| = \mu$ implies that $|S_{\Delta}^{\kappa}(A)| \ge \mu^{\kappa}$.

If Δ is closed under existential quantification, the syntactic proofs of Theorem 3.3 (see, e.g., [S3, Chapter I, Corollary 2.2]) can be used to get an upper bound for $\Delta t b_{\lambda}^{n}$ when *n* is finite.

Proposition 3.9 If, for all $\phi(\mathbf{x}, x, \mathbf{y}) \in \Delta$, we have $\exists z \phi(\mathbf{x}, z, \mathbf{y}) \in \Delta$, then $\Delta t b_{\lambda}^{n} \leq \Delta t b_{\lambda}^{1}$ for $n < \omega$.

With this result for finite lengths, we can apply the syntactic argument above to conclude the following.

Proposition 3.10 If T is a first-order theory and $\Delta \subset Fml(L(T))$, then for $\kappa \leq \lambda$, $\Delta tb_{\lambda}^{\kappa} \leq (\sup_{n < \omega} \Delta tb_{\lambda}^{n})^{\kappa}$.

In particular, if Δ is closed under existentials as in Proposition 3.9, then $\Delta t \mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{\kappa} \leq (\Delta t \mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{1})^{\kappa}$.

We now turn to the values of ϕ tb for a particular ϕ . Recall that [S3, Theorem II.2.2] says that *T* is stable if and only if *T* is λ -stable for $\lambda = \lambda^{|T|}$ if and only if it is λ -stable for ϕ -types for all $\phi \in L(T)$. This means that if *T* is unstable in $\lambda = \lambda^{|T|}$, then there is some ϕ such that ϕ tb $_{\lambda}^{1} > \lambda$. Further, suppose that sup{ ψ tb} $_{\lambda}^{1} : \psi \in L(T)$ } = λ^{+n} for some $1 \leq n < \omega$. Then, since λ^{+n} is a successor, this supremum is achieved by some formula ϕ_{λ} . Then, since $\lambda^{|T|} = \lambda$, we can calculate

$$\begin{split} \phi_{\lambda} \mathbf{t} \mathbf{b}_{\lambda}^{1} &= \sup_{\psi \in L(T)} \{ \psi \mathbf{t} \mathbf{b}_{\lambda}^{1} \} \leq \mathbf{t} \mathbf{b}_{\lambda}^{1} \leq \prod_{\psi \in L(T)} (\psi \mathbf{t} \mathbf{b}_{\lambda}^{1}) \leq (\phi_{\lambda} \mathbf{t} \mathbf{b}_{\lambda}^{1})^{|T|} \\ &= (\lambda^{+n})^{|T|} = \lambda^{|T|} \cdot \lambda^{+n} = \lambda^{+n} = \phi_{\lambda} \mathbf{t} \mathbf{b}_{\lambda}^{1}. \end{split}$$

So $\phi_{\lambda} t \mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{1} = t \mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{1}$. Thus, for all $\kappa \leq \lambda$, we can use Theorems 3.8 and 3.5 to calculate

$$(\phi_{\lambda} t \mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{1})^{\kappa} \leq \phi_{\lambda} t \mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{\kappa} \leq t \mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{\kappa} = (t \mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{1})^{\kappa} = (\phi_{\lambda} t \mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{1})^{\kappa}.$$

This gives us the following result.

Theorem 3.11 Given a first-order theory T, if λ is a cardinal such that $\lambda^{|T|} = \lambda$ and $\sup\{|S_{\psi}^{1}(A)| : \psi \in L(T), |A| \leq \lambda\} < \lambda^{+\omega}$, then there is some $\phi_{\lambda} \in L(T)$ such that, for all $\kappa \leq \lambda$, $tb_{\lambda}^{\kappa} = \phi_{\lambda}tb_{\lambda}^{\kappa}$.

Returning to general AECs, Shelah [S5, Chapter V.D, Section 3] considered long types of tuples enumerating a model extending the domain. In this case, any realization of the type is another model extending the domain that is isomorphic to the original tuple over the domain. Thus, an upper bound on types of a certain length κ also bounds the number of isomorphism classes extending the domain by κ -many elements. More formally, we get the following.

Remark 3.12 Given $M \in K_{\lambda}$, $|\{N/\cong_{M} : N \in K, M \neq N, |N-M| = \kappa\}| \leq t\mathfrak{b}_{\lambda}^{\kappa}$. If we have an AEC with amalgamation where any extension can be broken into smaller extensions, this could lead to a useful analysis. Unfortunately, this provides us with no new information when $\kappa = \lambda$, since $2^{\lambda} = tb_{\lambda}^{\lambda}$ is already the well-known upper bound for λ -sized extensions of M, and there are even first-order theories where $M \not\subseteq N$ implies $|N - M| \ge ||M||$. Algebraically closed fields of characteristic 0 are such an example.

4 Strongly Separative Types

One might hope that similar bounds could be developed for nonalgebraic types. This would probably give us a finer picture of what is going on because a model M necessarily has at least ||M||-many algebraic types over M, so in the stable case, the number of nonalgebraic types could, a priori, be anywhere between 0 and ||M||; the case $gS_{na}^1(M) = \emptyset$ only occurs in the uninteresting case in which M has no extensions.

However, as the following result shows, no such result is possible even in basic, well-understood first-order cases.

Remark 4.1

- 1. Let T_1 be the empty theory, and let $M \models T_1$. Then $|S_{na}^1(M)| = 1$, and $|S_{na}^n(M)| = B_n$ for all $n < \omega$, where B_n is the *n*th Bell number. In particular, this is finite.
- 2. Let $T_2 = ACF_0$, and let $M \models T$. Then $|S_{na}^1(M)| = 1$ but $|S_{na}^2(M)| = ||M||$.

Note that these examples represent the minimal and maximal, respectively, number of long, nonalgebraic types given that there is only one nonalgebraic type.

Proof

- 1. Let $tp(a/M, N_1), tp(b/M, N_2) \in S_{na}^1(M)$, and, without loss of generality, assume $||N_1|| \leq ||N_2||$. Then let f fix M, send a to b, and injectively map $N_1 - M - \{a\}$ to $N_2 - M - \{b\}$ arbitrarily. This witnesses $tp(a/M, N_1) = tp(b/M, N_2)$. Given the type of $\langle a_n : n < k \rangle$, the only restriction on finding a function to witness type equality is given by which elements of the sequence are repeated; for instance, if $a \neq b$, then $tp(a, b/M, N) \neq tp(a, a/M, N)$. Thus, each type can be represented by those elements of the sequence which are repeated. To count this, we need to know the number of partitions of n. This is given by Bell's numbers, defined by $B_1 = 1$ and $B_{n+1} = \sum_{k=0}^n {n \choose k} B_k$. See [W, Section 1.6 or (1.6.13)] for a reference. Then, the number of n-types is just B_n .
- 2. This is an easy consequence of Steinitz's theorem that there is only one nonalgebraic 1-type, that of an element transcendental over the domain. Given $M \in K$ and $e \in N \succ M$ transcendental over M, each polynomial $f \in M[X]$ gives rise to a distinct nonalgebraic 2-type: tp(e, f(e)/M, N). Thus, there are at least ||M||-many nonalgebraic 2-types. By stability, there are exactly this many.

This shows that a result like Theorem 3.5 is impossible for nonalgebraic types. As is evident in the proof of Remark 4.1 above, especially part two, the variance in the number of types comes from the fact that, while the realizations of the nonalgebraic type are not algebraic over the model, they might be algebraic over each other. This

means that even 2-types, like $tp(e, 2e/\mathbb{A}, \mathbb{C})$, that are not realized in the base model cannot be separated: any algebraically closed field realizing the type of e must also realize the type of 2e.

To get a bound on the number of these types, we want to be able to separate the different elements of the tuples that realize the long types. This motivates our definition and naming of separative types below. We also introduce a slightly stronger notion, strongly separative types, that allows us to not only separate realizations of the type, but also gives us the ability to extend types, as made evident in Proposition 4.6. Luckily, in the first-order case and others, these two notions coincide (see Proposition 4.5).

Definition 4.2

- 1. We say that a triple $(\langle a_i : i < \alpha \rangle, M, N) \in K^{3,\alpha}_{\lambda}$ is separative if and only if there are increasing sequences of intermediate models $\langle N_i \in K : i < \alpha \rangle$ such that, for all $i < \alpha$, $M \prec N_i \prec N$ and $a_i \in N_{i+1} - N_i$. The sequence $\langle N_i : i < \alpha \rangle$ is said to witness the triple's separativity.
- 2. For $M \in K$, set $gS_{\text{sep}}^{\alpha}(M) = \{gtp(\langle a_i : i < \alpha \rangle / M, N) : (\langle a_i : i < \alpha \rangle, M, N) \}$ $(M, N) \in K^{3,\alpha}_{\lambda}$ is separative}.
- 3. We say that a triple $(\langle a_i : i < \alpha \rangle, M, N) \in K_{\lambda}^{3,\alpha}$ is strongly separative if and only if there is a sequence witnessing its separativity $\langle N_i : i < \alpha \rangle$ that further has the property that, for any $i < \alpha$ and $N_1^+ > N_i$ of size λ , there are some $N_2^+ > N_1^+$ and $g : N_{i+1} \to_{N_\beta} N_2^+$ such that $g(a_i) \notin N_1^+$. 4. For $M \in K_\lambda$, set $gS_{\text{strsep}}^{\alpha}(M) = \{gtp(\langle a_i : i < \alpha \rangle / M, N) : (\langle a_i : i < \alpha \rangle, M) \}$
- $(M, N) \in K_{1}^{3,\alpha}$ is strongly separative}.

The condition " $a_i \in N_{i+1} - N_i$ " in (1) could be equivalently stated as either of the following.

- For all $j < \alpha, a_i \in N_i$ if and only if i < j.
- $gtp(a_i/N_i, N_{i+1})$ is nonalgebraic.

Note that the examples in Proposition 4.1 only have one separative or strongly separative type of any length: for the empty theory, this is any sequence of distinct elements, and for ACF_0 , this is any sequence of mutually transcendental elements. Theorem 4.8 below shows this generally by proving that the upper bound from the last section (Theorem 3.5) holds for strongly separative types. Before this proof, a few comments about these definitions are in order.

First, the key part of the definition is about triples, but we will prove things about types. This is not an issue because any triple realizing a (strongly) separative type can be made into a (strongly) separative type by extending the ambient model.

Proposition 4.3

- 1. If $gtp(\langle a_{\beta} : \beta < \alpha \rangle / M, N) \in gS^{\alpha}_{sep}(M)$, then there is some $N^+ \succ N$ such that $(\langle a_{\beta} : \beta < \alpha \rangle, M, N^+)$ is separative.
- 2. The same is true for strongly separative types.

We will prove the first assertion, and the second one follows similarly. By Proof the definition of gS_{sep}^{α} , there is some separative $(\langle b_{\beta} : \beta < \alpha \rangle, M, N_1) \in K_{\lambda}^{3,\alpha}$ such that $gtp(\langle a_{\beta} : \beta < \alpha \rangle / M, N) = gtp(\langle b_{\beta} : \beta < \alpha \rangle / M, N)$. Thus, there exist some $N^+ > N$ and $f : N_1 \to_M N^+$ such that $f(b_{\beta}) = a_{\beta}$ for all $\beta < \alpha$. Let $\langle N_{\beta} : \beta < \alpha \rangle$ be a witness sequence to $(\langle b_{\beta} : \beta < \alpha \rangle, M, N_1)$'s separativity. Then $\langle f(N_{\beta}) \prec N^+ : \beta < \alpha \rangle$ is a witness sequence for $(\langle a_{\beta} : \beta < \alpha \rangle, M, N^+)$.

Second, although we continue to use the semantic notion of types (Galois types) for full generality, these notions are new in the context of first-order theories. In this context, the elements of the witnessing sequence $\langle N_i : i < \alpha \rangle$ are still required to be models, even though types are meaningful over sets. An attempt to characterize these definitions in a purely syntactical nature (i.e., by only mentioning formulas) was unsuccessful, but we do know (see Proposition 4.5 below) that all separative types over models are strongly separative for complete first-order theories. Third, we can easily characterize these properties for 1-types.

Proposition 4.4 Let K be an AEC and $p \in gS^1(M)$.

- p is separative if and only if p is nonalgebraic.
- *p* is strongly separative if and only if, for any $N \succ M$ with ||N|| = ||M||, there is an extension of *p* to a nonalgebraic type over *N*. Such types are called big.

Finally, strongly separative types and separative types are the same in the presence of the disjoint amalgamation property.

Proposition 4.5 Let α be an ordinal and $M \in K$. If K satisfies the disjoint amalgamation property when all models involved have sizes between ||M|| and $|\alpha|+||M||$, inclusive, then $gS^{\alpha}_{strsep}(M) = gS^{\alpha}_{sep}(M)$.

Proof By definition, $gS_{\text{strsep}}^{\alpha}(M) \subset gS_{\text{sep}}^{\alpha}(M)$, so we wish to show the other containment. Let $gtp(\langle a_{\beta} : \beta < \alpha \rangle / M, N) \in gS_{\text{sep}}^{\alpha}(M)$. Let $\langle N_{\beta} : \beta < \alpha \rangle$ be a witnessing sequence, and let $N_1^+ > N_{\beta_0}$ of size $||N_{\beta_0}||$ for some $\beta_0 < \alpha$. By renaming elements, we can find some copy of N_1^+ that is disjoint from N_{β_0+1} except for N_{β_0} . So there are \widehat{N} and $f : N_1^+ \cong_{N_{\beta_0}} \widehat{N}$ such that $\widehat{N} \cap N_{\beta_0+1} = N_{\beta_0}$. Then, we can use disjoint amalgamation on \widehat{N} and N_{β_0+1} over N_{β_0} to get N^* and $g : N_{\beta_0+1} \to N^*$ so that



commutes and $\widehat{N} \cap g(N_{\beta_0+1}) = N_{\beta_0}$. Thus, since a_{β_0} is in N_{β_0+1} and not in N_{β_0} , we have that $g(a_{\beta_0})$ is in $g(N_{\beta_0+1})$ and not in \widehat{N} . Let \widehat{f} be an L(K)-isomorphism that extends f and has N^* in its range. Then we have

$$\widehat{f}^{-1}(g(a_{\beta_0})) \notin \widehat{f}^{-1}(\widehat{N}) = f^{-1}(\widehat{N}) = N_1^+.$$

Then we can collapse the above diagram to

$$N_1^+ \longrightarrow \widehat{f}^{-1}(N^*)$$

$$\uparrow \qquad \qquad \uparrow \widehat{f}^{-1} \circ g$$

$$N_{\beta_0} \longrightarrow N_{\beta_0+1}$$

This diagram commutes and witnesses the property for strong separativity with $N_2^+ = \hat{f}^{-1}(N^*)$.

To prove the main theorem of this section, Theorem 4.8, we will need to make use of certain closure properties of strongly separative types. These also hold for separative types as well.

Proposition 4.6 (Closure of g S_{strsep})

1. If $p \in gS_{\text{strsep}}^{\alpha}(M)$ and $I \subset \alpha$, then $p^{I} \in gS_{\text{strsep}}^{otp(I)}(M)$. 2. If $p \in gS_{\text{strsep}}^{\alpha}(M)$ and $M_{0} \prec M$, then $p \upharpoonright M_{0} \in gS_{\text{strsep}}^{\alpha}(M_{0})$.

We now prove the main theorem.

Definition 4.7 The strongly separative type bound for λ -sized domains and κ -lengths is denoted strsep $tb_{\lambda}^{\kappa} = \sup_{M \in K_{\lambda}} |gS_{strsep}^{\kappa}(M)|$.

Theorem 4.8 Suppose that $\kappa \leq \lambda^+$ with κ possibly finite and K has $(\lambda + \kappa)$ -amalgamation. If strsep $tb_{\lambda}^{\kappa} = \mu$, then strsep $tb_{\lambda}^{\kappa} \leq \mu^{\kappa}$.

Proof The proof is very similar to that of Theorem 3.5, so we only highlight the differences. As before, let $M \in K_{\lambda}$, enumerate $gS_{\text{strsep}}^{\kappa}(M) = \langle p_i : i < \chi \rangle$, and find $N_0^i \succ M$ of size $\lambda + \kappa$ and $a_i^{\alpha} \in |N_0^i|$ for $i < \chi$ and $\alpha < \kappa$ such that $\langle a_i^{\alpha} : \alpha < \kappa \rangle \models p_i$.

Then, we use strong separativity to find a witnessing sequence. That is, for each $i < \chi$, we have increasing and continuous $\langle {}^{\alpha}N_{0}^{i} \in K_{\lambda} : \alpha < \kappa \rangle$ so, for each $\alpha < \kappa$, $M \prec {}^{\alpha}N_{0}^{i} \prec N_{0}^{i}$ and $a_{i}^{\alpha} \in {}^{\alpha+1}N_{0}^{i} - {}^{\alpha}N_{0}^{i}$.

As before, we will construct $\langle M_{\eta} \in K_{\lambda} : \eta \in {}^{<\kappa}\mu \rangle$, $\langle p_{j}^{\eta} \in gS_{\text{strsep}}^{1}(M_{\eta}) : j < |gS_{\text{strsep}}^{1}(M_{\eta})| \rangle$, $\langle i_{\eta} \in \chi : \eta \in {}^{<\kappa}\mu \rangle$, and $\langle \eta_{i} \in {}^{\kappa}\mu : i < \chi \rangle$ as in (1)–(3) of the proof of Theorem 3.5 and

(4*) for $i < \chi$, a coherent, continuous $\{{}^{\alpha}N_{\alpha}^{i}, \widehat{f}_{\beta,\alpha}^{i} : {}^{\beta}N_{\beta}^{i} \rightarrow_{M_{\eta_{i}} \upharpoonright \beta} {}^{\alpha}N_{\alpha}^{i} \mid \beta < \alpha < \kappa\}$, models $\langle {}^{\alpha+1}N_{\alpha}^{i} : \alpha < \kappa \rangle$, and for each $\beta < \alpha < \kappa$, functions • $h_{\alpha}^{i} : {}^{\alpha}N_{0}^{i} \rightarrow {}^{\alpha}N_{\alpha}^{i}$, • $g_{\beta+1}^{i} : {}^{\beta+1}N_{0}^{i} \rightarrow {}^{\beta+1}N_{\beta}^{i}$, and • $f_{\beta+1}^{i} : {}^{\beta+1}N_{\beta}^{i} \rightarrow_{M_{\eta_{i}} \upharpoonright \beta} {}^{\beta}N_{\beta}^{i}$.

These will satisfy (A), (B), and (C) from Theorem 3.5 and

(D) if $\alpha = \beta + 1$, then $h_{\alpha}^{i} = f_{\alpha}^{i} \circ g_{\alpha}^{i}$, and if α is the limit, then ${}^{\alpha}N_{\alpha}^{i}$ is the direct limit and, for each $\delta < \alpha$, the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{c} {}^{\delta}N_{\delta}^{i} \xrightarrow{\widehat{f}_{\delta,\alpha}^{i}} {}^{\alpha}N_{\alpha}^{i} \\ {}^{h_{\delta}^{i}} & \uparrow \\ {}^{\delta}N_{0}^{i} \xrightarrow{} {}^{\alpha}N_{0}^{i} \end{array}$$

- (E) if $\alpha < \kappa$, then
 - $h^i_{\alpha} \upharpoonright^{\alpha} N^i_0 = g^i_{\alpha+1} \upharpoonright^{\alpha} N^i_0,$ • $g^i_{\alpha+1}(a^{\alpha}_i) \notin^{\alpha} N^i_{\alpha},$

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•
$$h_{\alpha+1}^i(a_i^{\alpha}) = g_{\alpha+1}^{\iota_{\eta_i} \restriction \alpha}(a_{i_{\eta_i} \restriction \alpha}^{\alpha})$$

• $\hat{f}_{\alpha,\alpha+1}^i = f_{\alpha+1}^i$.

Construction. The base case and limit case are the same as in Theorem 3.5. In the limit, we additionally set $h^i_{\alpha} = \bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} h^i_{\beta}$. For $\ell(\eta) = \alpha = \beta + 1$ we will apply our previous construction to the separat-

ing models. Fix some $\nu \in {}^{\beta}\mu$. For each $i < \chi$ such that $\eta_i \upharpoonright \beta = \nu$, we have $h^i_{\beta} : {}^{\beta}N^i_0 \to {}^{\beta}N^i_{\beta}$. We know that $gtp(a^{\beta}_i/{}^{\beta}N^i_0, {}^{\beta+1}N^i_0)$ is big by Propositions 4.6 and 4.4. Thus, we can find a big extension with domain $(h_{\beta}^{i})^{-1}({}^{\beta}N_{\beta}^{i})$. Then, applying h^i_{β} to this type, we get some $g^i_{\beta+1}: {}^{\beta+1}N^i_0 \to {}^{\beta+1}N^i_{\beta}$ so that



commutes, and $gtp(g_{\beta+1}^i(a_i^\beta)/M_{\nu}, {}^{\beta+1}N_{\beta}^i)$ is big and, therefore, strongly separative. Note, this extension uses that these types are strongly separative and not just separative. Then we can extend η_i by $\eta_i(\beta) = k$, where $k < \mu$ is the unique index such that $gtp(g_{\beta+1}^i(a_i^\beta)/M_\nu, {}^{\beta+1}N_\beta^i) = p_k^\nu$.

Then set $i_{\nu \frown \langle i \rangle} = \min\{i < \chi : \eta_i \upharpoonright \alpha = \nu \frown \langle i \rangle\}$. This means that, for all $i < \chi$, we have

$$gtp(g_{\beta+1}^{i}(a_{i}^{\beta})/M_{\nu}, {}^{\beta+1}N_{\beta}^{i}) = gtp(g_{\beta+1}^{i_{\eta_{i}}\restriction\alpha}(a_{i_{\eta_{i}}\restriction\alpha}^{\beta})/M_{\nu}, {}^{\beta+1}N_{\beta}^{i_{\eta_{i}}\restriction\alpha}).$$

Thus, we can find ${}^{\beta+1}N^i_{\beta+1} \succ {}^{\beta+1}N^{i_{\eta_i} \restriction \alpha}_{\beta}$ from K_{λ} and $f^i_{\beta+1} : {}^{\beta+1}N^i_{\beta} \rightarrow_{M_{\nu}} {}^{\beta+1}N^i_{\beta+1}$ such that $f^i_{\beta+1}(g^i_{\beta+1}(a^\beta_i)) = g^{i_{\eta_i} \restriction \alpha}_{\beta+1}(a^\beta_{i_{\eta_i} \restriction \alpha})$. Finally, set $M_{i_{\eta_i} \restriction \alpha} =$ ${}^{\beta+1}N^{i_{\eta_i} \upharpoonright \alpha}_{\beta}$ and $h^i_{\beta+1} = f^i_{\beta+1} \circ g^i_{\beta+1}$. *This is enough*. For each $i < \chi$ and every $\alpha < \beta < \kappa$, we have that



commutes. Note that this is almost the same diagram as before, except we have added the separating sequences. Then we can proceed as before, setting

1. $\widehat{M} = \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} M_{\eta \upharpoonright \alpha};$ 2. $(\widehat{N}^{i}, \widehat{f}_{\alpha,\infty}) = \varinjlim_{\beta < \gamma < \kappa} ({}^{\beta}N_{\beta}^{i}, \widehat{f}_{\alpha,\beta}^{i});$ 3. $N_{1}^{i} = \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} {}^{\alpha}N_{0}^{i} \prec N_{0}^{i};$ 4. $f_i : N_1^i \to \widehat{N}^i$ by $f_i = \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} (\widehat{f}_{\alpha, \infty} \circ h_{\alpha}^i)$; and 5. $\eta_i \in {}^{\kappa}\mu$ such that $i \in I_{\eta \upharpoonright \alpha}$ for all $\alpha < \kappa$.

Then, if $\chi > \mu^{\kappa}$, there are $i \neq j$ such that $\eta_i = \eta_j$. As before, this would imply $p_i = p_j$, but they are all distinct. So $\chi \leq \mu^{\kappa}$ as desired.

In the previous theorem, we allowed the case $\kappa = \lambda^+$. Most of the time, this is only the set-theoretic bound strsep $tb_{\lambda}^{\lambda^+} \leq 2^{\lambda^+}$. However, if we had strsep $tb_{\lambda}^1 = 1$, then we get the surprising result that strsep $tb_{\lambda}^{\lambda^+} \leq 1$. This will be explored along with further investigation of classifying AECs based on separative types in future work.

5 Saturation

We now turn from the number of infinite types to their realizations. The saturation version of Theorem 3.1 is much simpler to prove.

Proposition 5.1 Suppose that K has λ -amalgamation. If $M \in K_{\lambda}$ is Galois saturated for 1-types, then M is Galois saturated for λ -types.

Proof Let $M_0 \prec M$ of size less than λ , and let $p \in gS^{\lambda}(M_0)$. By the definition of Galois types, there is some $N \succ M_0$ of size λ that realizes p. Find a resolution of $N \langle N_i \in K_{<\lambda} | i < \operatorname{cf} \lambda \rangle$ with $N_0 = M_0$. Then use Lemma 2.6 to get increasing, continuous $f_i : N_i \to M$ that fix M_0 . Then $f := \bigcup_{i < \lambda} f_i : N \to M_0 M$. This implies that $f(N) \models f(p) = p$, and since $f(N) \prec M, M \models p$.

We can get a parameterized version with the same proof.

Proposition 5.2 Suppose that K has λ -amalgamation. If $M \in K_{\lambda}$ is μ -Galois saturated for 1-types, then M is μ -Galois saturated for μ -types.

The seeming simplicity of the proof of Proposition 5.1, especially compared with earlier uses of direct limits, hides the difficulty and complexity of the proof of Lemma 2.6.

Remark 5.3 Building on work of Shelah, Grossberg, and Kolesnikov, Baldwin [B2, Theorem 16.5] proves a version of Lemma 2.6 which does not require amalgamation. Thus, one could prove a version of Proposition 5.1 in AECs that does not assume amalgamation.

There is also a strong relationship between the value of tb_{λ}^{1} and the existence of λ^{+} -saturated extensions of models of size λ . The following generalizes first-order theorems like [S3, Theorem VIII.4.7].

In the following theorems, we make use of a monster model, as in first-order model theory, to reduce the complexity of constructions. Full details can be found in the references given at the start of Section 2, but the key facts are:

- the existence of a monster model \mathfrak{C} follows from the amalgamation property, the joint embedding property, and every model having a proper \prec_K -extension; and
- for $M \prec \mathfrak{C}$ and $a, b \in |\mathfrak{C}|$,

 $gtp(a/M) = gtp(b/M) \iff \exists f \in Aut_M \mathfrak{C}, \text{ so that } f(a) = b.$

The first relationship is clear from counting types.

Theorem 5.4 Let K be an AEC with amalgamation, joint embedding, and no maximal models. If every $M \in K_{\kappa}$ has an extension $N \in K_{\lambda}$ that is κ^+ -saturated, then $tb^1_{\kappa} \leq \lambda$.

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Proof Assume that every model in K_{κ} has a κ^+ -saturated extension of size λ . Let $M \in K_{\kappa}$, and let $N \in K_{\lambda}$ be that extension. Since every type over M is realized in N, we have $|gS(M)| \le ||N|| = \lambda$. Taking the supremum over all $M \in K_{\kappa}$, we get $tb_{\kappa}^{1} \le \lambda$, as desired.

Going the other way, we have both a set-theoretic hypothesis and model-theoretic hypothesis that imply instances of a κ^+ -saturated extension. The set-theoretic version is well known.

Theorem 5.5 Let K be an AEC with amalgamation, joint embedding, and no maximal models. If $\lambda^{\kappa} = \lambda$, then every $M \in K_{\kappa}$ has an extension $N \in K_{\lambda}$ that is κ^+ -saturated.

Note that the hypothesis implies $tb_{\lambda}^{1} \leq \lambda$. Without this set-theoretic hypothesis, reaching our desired conclusion is much harder. The condition $\lambda^{\kappa} = \lambda$ means that we can consider all κ -sized submodels of a λ -sized model without going up in size. Without this assumption, things become much more difficult, and we must rely on model-theoretic hypotheses. The following has a stability-like hypothesis, sometimes called "weak stability" (see, e.g., [JS]).

Theorem 5.6 Let *K* be an AEC with amalgamation, joint embedding, and no maximal models. If $tb_{\kappa}^{1} \leq \kappa^{+}$, then every $M \in K_{\kappa}$ has an extension $N \in K_{\kappa^{+}}$ that is saturated.

Proof We proceed by a series of increasingly strong constructions.

Construction 1. For all $M \in K_{\kappa}$, there is $M^* \in K_{\kappa^+}$ such that all of $S^1(M)$ is realized in M^* . This is easy with $|S^1(M)| \le \kappa^+$.

Construction 2. For all $M \prec N$ from K_{κ} and $M \prec M' \in K_{\kappa^+}$, there is some $N' = *(M, N, M') \in K_{\kappa^+}$ such that $N, M' \prec N'$ and all of $S^1(N)$ are realized in N'. For each $p \in S^1(N)$, find some $a_p \in |\mathfrak{C}|$ that realizes it. Then find some $N' \prec \mathfrak{C}$ that contains $\{a_p : p \in S^1(N)\} \cup |M'| \cup |N|$ of size κ^+ . This is possible since $|S^1(N)| \leq \kappa^+$.

Construction 3. For all $M \in K_{\kappa^+}$, there is some $M^+ \in K_{\kappa^+}$ such that $M \prec M^+$ and if $M_0 \prec M$ of size κ , then all of $S^1(M_0)$ are realized in M^+ . Find a resolution $\langle M_i : i < \kappa^+ \rangle$ of M. Set $N_0 = (M_0)^*$, $N_{i+1} = *(M_i, M_{i+1}, N_i)$, and take unions at limits. Then $M^+ = \bigcup_{i < \kappa^+} N_i$ works.

Construction 4. For all $M \in K_{\kappa^+}$, there is some $M^{\#} \in K_{\kappa^+}$ such that $M \prec M^{\#}$ and $M^{\#}$ is saturated. Let $M \in K_{\kappa}$. Set $M_0 = M$, $M_{i+1} = (M_i)^+$, and take unions at limits. Then $M^{\#} = M_{\kappa^+}$ is saturated.

Then, to prove the proposition, let $M \in K_{\kappa}$. Since K has no maximal model, it has an extension M' in $K_{\kappa+}$. Then $(M')^{\#}$ is the desired saturated extension of M.

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