

A Null Ideal for Inaccessibles

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Abstract

In this paper we introduce a tree-like forcing notion extending some properties of the random forcing in the context of 2^κ , κ inaccessible, and study its associated ideal of null sets and notion of measurability. In particular, we answer a question of Shelah [10, Problem 0.4], about defining a forcing which is κ^κ -bounding, $< \kappa$ -closed and κ^+ -cc, for κ inaccessible. This also contributes to a line of research addressed in the survey paper [5].

1 Introduction

In [10, Problem 0.4], Shelah poses the following question.

Problem. Can one define a forcing which is κ^+ -cc, $< \kappa$ -closed and κ^κ -bounding, for κ inaccessible?

In [9], Shelah was able to provide a positive answer when κ is weakly compact. In this paper we will introduce a forcing notion with those three properties for κ inaccessible and not necessarily weakly compact. For this purpose, we will need a certain version of \diamond , modelling our construction on work of Jensen [4] in the case $\kappa = \omega$.

Note that in the standard case, i.e., when $\kappa = \omega$, the random forcing fits with the three properties. So the first attempts to resolve such a problem might be to generalize it for κ inaccessible. Hence, since random forcing is usually defined by means of the Lebesgue measure in 2^ω , the natural way would be to define an appropriate measure in 2^κ as well. Nevertheless, there seem to be many obstacles in trying to do so. In [9], Shelah defined a tree-like forcing without any mention of a measure, and in the end he used Π_1^1 -indescribability of a weakly compact cardinal to prove that the forcing is κ^κ -bounding. Our method for defining our forcing \mathbb{F} will be different from Shelah's, yet we also will not use any notion of measure.

Note that even if we will not define a measure on 2^κ , we will define an ideal of \mathbb{F} -null sets and a notion of measurability associated to it, in a rather standard way. We will then investigate such a regularity property.

The paper is organized as follows. In section 3 we present the construction of our forcing \mathbb{F} . Section 4 is devoted to introducing the ideal of null sets and the notion of measurability, and to proving some (negative) results about Δ_1^1 sets and the club filter. A final section is then dedicated to some concluding remarks and possible further developments.

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2 Preliminaries

In this preliminary section we simply introduce the basic notions and notation which is needed throughout the paper.

- A tree T is a subset of either $2^{<\kappa}$ or $\kappa^{<\kappa}$, closed under initial segments. $\text{Stem}(T)$ denotes the longest node of T compatible with all the other nodes of T ; $\text{succ}(t, T) := \{\xi < \kappa : t \frown \xi \in T\}$; $\text{Split}(T)$ is the set of splitting nodes of T (i.e., $t \in \text{Split}(T)$ if both $t \frown 0$ and $t \frown 1 \in T$); we put $\text{ht}(T) := \sup\{\alpha : \exists t \in T (|t| = \alpha)\}$, while $\text{TERM}(T)$ denotes the *terminal* nodes of T (i.e., $t \in \text{TERM}(T)$ if there is no $t' \supseteq t$ such that $t' \in T$). For $\alpha < \kappa$, $T \upharpoonright \alpha := \{t \in T : |t| < \alpha\}$. A *branch* through T of height κ is the limit of an increasing cofinal sequence $\{t_\xi : \xi < \kappa\}$ of nodes in T , and $[T]$ will denote the set of all branches of T . For t in a tree T , T_t is the set of nodes in T compatible with t .
- Given $t \in \text{Split}(T)$, we define the rank of t as the order type of $\{\alpha < |t| : t \upharpoonright \alpha \in \text{Split}(T)\}$. Furthermore, we let $\text{Split}_\beta(T)$ denote the set of splitting nodes in T of rank β . The forcing \mathbb{S}^{Cub} consists of trees T such that every node can be extended to a splitting node and for some club C in κ , the splitting nodes of T are exactly those with length in C . For T, T' in \mathbb{S}^{Cub} and $\gamma < \kappa$, we write $T \leq_\gamma T'$ iff T is a subtree of T' such that $\text{Split}_\gamma(T) = \text{Split}_\gamma(T')$; \leq_0 is simply denoted by \leq .

Note that \mathbb{S}^{Cub} is closed under \leq_γ -descending sequences of length less than κ for each $\gamma < \kappa$.

- If $\{\mathbb{F}_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa\}$ is a sequence of families of trees such that $\mathbb{F}_\alpha \subseteq \mathbb{F}_{\alpha+1}$, then for every tree $T \in \bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} \mathbb{F}_\alpha$ define $\text{Rank}(T)$ to be the least $\alpha < \kappa$ such that $T \in \mathbb{F}_{\alpha+1}$. $\mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ denotes the union of the \mathbb{F}_α for $\alpha < \lambda$.
- A forcing \mathbb{P} is called κ^κ -bounding iff for every $x \in \kappa^\kappa \cap V^{\mathbb{P}}$ there exists $z \in \kappa^\kappa \cap V$ such that $\Vdash \forall \alpha < \kappa (x(\alpha) < z(\alpha))$.
- In this paper \mathbb{C} refers to the κ -Cohen forcing, i.e., the poset consisting of $t \in 2^{<\kappa}$, ordered by extension. The elements of 2^κ and κ^κ are called κ -reals.

Under the assumption $2^{<\kappa} = \kappa$, \mathbb{C} is obviously κ^+ -cc, but also adds unbounded κ -reals, which means it is not κ^κ -bounding. For κ inaccessible \mathbb{S}^{Cub} is κ^κ -bounding, but one loses the κ^+ -cc. The next section is devoted to defining a refinement of \mathbb{S}^{Cub} in order to obtain the κ^+ -cc and maintain κ^κ -boundedness.

3 The main construction

Fix κ to be inaccessible. As we mentioned before, our first main goal is to define a tree-forcing \mathbb{F} with the following three properties: κ^+ -cc, κ^κ -bounding and $<\kappa$ -closure. Assume $\diamond_{\kappa^+}(S_\kappa^{\kappa^+})$, where $S_\kappa^{\kappa^+} := \{\lambda < \kappa^+ : \text{cf}(\lambda) = \kappa\}$.

We construct an increasing sequence of tree forcings $\langle \mathbb{F}_\lambda : \lambda < \kappa^+ \rangle$ by induction on $\lambda < \kappa^+$. We first remark that for all $\lambda < \kappa^+$ we will maintain the following:

(P1) $\mathbb{F}_\lambda \subseteq \mathbb{S}^{\text{Cub}}$ and $|\mathbb{F}_\lambda| \leq \kappa$;

(P2) $\forall T \in \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda} \forall \gamma < \kappa \exists T' \leq_\gamma T \forall T'' \leq T' (T' \in \mathbb{F}_\lambda \wedge T'' \notin \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda})$;

(P3) $\forall T \in \mathbb{F}_\lambda \forall t \in T (T_t \in \mathbb{F}_\lambda)$;

(P4) \mathbb{F}_λ is closed under descending $< \kappa$ -sequences;

(P5) $\forall \alpha < \lambda \forall T \in \mathbb{F}_\lambda \setminus \mathbb{F}_\alpha \exists \bar{\gamma} < \kappa \forall \gamma \geq \bar{\gamma} \forall t \in \text{Split}_\gamma(T) \exists S \in \mathbb{F}_\alpha \setminus \mathbb{F}_{<\alpha} (T_t \subseteq S)$.

We remark that in P2 the property we are really interested in is P2bis: $\forall T \in \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda} \forall \gamma < \kappa \exists T' \leq_\gamma T (T' \in \mathbb{F}_\lambda \setminus \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda})$; the extra requirement on all $T'' \leq T'$ is only needed to make sure that such a property will be preserved in our recursive construction.

Furthermore, P5 will be used to help ensure the κ^+ -cc.

Let $\{D_\lambda : \lambda < \kappa^+\}$ be a $\diamond_{\kappa^+}(S_{\kappa^+}^\kappa)$ -sequence. The recursive construction is developed as follows:

1. $\mathbb{F}_0 := \{(2^{<\kappa})_t : t \in 2^{<\kappa}\}$.
2. Case $\lambda + 1$: For every $T \in \mathbb{F}_\lambda \setminus \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ and $\gamma < \kappa$, pick $T' \in \mathbb{S}^{\text{Cub}}$ such that $T' \leq_\gamma T$ and T' does not contain subtrees in \mathbb{F}_λ ; this is possible as \mathbb{F}_λ as cardinality κ . Then for all $t \in T'$ we add T'_t to $\mathbb{F}_{\lambda+1}$. We then close $\mathbb{F}_{\lambda+1}$ under descending $< \kappa$ -sequences, i.e., for every descending $\{T^i : i < \delta\}$ in $\mathbb{F}_{\lambda+1}$, with $\delta < \kappa$, we put $T^* := \bigcap_{i < \delta} T^i$ into $\mathbb{F}_{\lambda+1}$.
3. Case $\text{cf}(\lambda) < \kappa$: let $\{T^i : i < \text{cf}(\lambda)\} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ be descending with $\{\text{Rank}(T^i) : i < \text{cf}(\lambda)\}$ cofinal in λ .
Then put $T^* := \bigcap_{i < \text{cf}(\lambda)} T^i$ into \mathbb{F}_λ . Finally close \mathbb{F}_λ under descending $< \kappa$ -sequences.
4. Case $\text{cf}(\lambda) = \kappa$, where $(\lambda_i : i < \kappa)$ is increasing and cofinal in λ :

(a) Suppose $D_\lambda \subseteq \lambda$ codes a maximal antichain A_λ in $\mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$. For every $T \in \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ and $\gamma < \kappa$, construct a “ κ -fusion” sequence $\{T^i : i < \kappa\}$ of trees in \mathbb{S}^{Cub} such that

- i. $T =: T^0 \geq_\gamma T^1 \geq_{\gamma+1} T^2 \geq_{\gamma+2} \cdots \geq_{\gamma+i} T^{i+1} \geq_{\gamma+i+1} \cdots$
- ii. T_t^i belongs to $\mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ with $\text{Rank}(T_t^i)$ at least λ_i for each t in $\text{Split}_\gamma(T)$.
- iii. $T^1 := \bigcup \{S_t : t \in \text{Split}_\gamma(T)\}$, where each $S_t \leq T_t$ and S_t hits A_λ , i.e., there exists $S^* \in A_\lambda$ such that $S_t \leq S^*$.

Then add $T^* := \bigcap_{i < \kappa} T^i$ to \mathbb{F}_λ . Moreover, for every $t \in T^*$, add T_t^* to \mathbb{F}_λ too. Finally close \mathbb{F}_λ under descending $< \kappa$ -sequences.

(b) Suppose that $D_\lambda \subseteq \lambda$ codes $\{A_{i,j} : i < \kappa, j < \kappa\}$, where for each $i < \kappa$, $\bigcup_{j < \kappa} A_{i,j}$ is a maximal antichain in $\mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ and $j_0 \neq j_1 \Rightarrow A_{i,j_0} \cap A_{i,j_1} = \emptyset$. For every $T \in \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ and $\gamma < \kappa$, build a κ -fusion sequence $\{T^i : i < \kappa\}$ of trees in \mathbb{S}^{Cub} such that

- i. $T =: T^0 \geq_\gamma T^1 \geq_{\gamma+1} T^2 \geq_{\gamma+2} \cdots \geq_{\gamma+i} T^{i+1} \geq_{\gamma+i+1} \cdots$
- ii. T_t^i belongs to $\mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ with $\text{Rank}(T_t^i)$ at least λ_i for t in $\text{Split}_{\gamma+i}(T^i)$.
- iii. for every $i < \kappa$, $T^{i+1} := \bigcup \{S_t^{i+1} : t \in \text{Split}_{\gamma+i}(T^i)\}$, where each $S_t^{i+1} \leq T_t^i$ and S_t^{i+1} hits $\bigcup_{j < \kappa} A_{i,j}$.

Then add $T^* := \bigcap_{i < \kappa} T^i$ to \mathbb{F}_λ . Moreover, for every $t \in T^*$, add T_t^* to \mathbb{F}_λ too. Finally close \mathbb{F}_λ under descending $< \kappa$ -sequences.

(c) If D_λ neither codes a maximal antichain (case (a)) nor an instance of κ^κ -bounding (case (b)), then proceed as in case (a) without its item iii.

Finally let $\mathbb{F} := \bigcup_{\lambda < \kappa^+} \mathbb{F}_\lambda$.

Proposition 1. *The construction of \mathbb{F} satisfies the five properties P1-P5.*

Proof. P1 is clear, since at any stage we only add κ many new trees which are in \mathbb{S}^{Cub} . Also P3 and P4 follow immediately from the construction.

For P2, note that the successor case $\lambda + 1$ follows easily from the construction; for $\text{cf}(\lambda) < \kappa$, start with $T \in \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ and use induction to build a descending \leq_γ -descending sequence $\{T^i : i < \text{cf}(\lambda)\}$ such that $\{\text{Rank}(T^i) : i < \text{cf}(\lambda)\}$ is cofinal in λ and put $T^* := \bigcap_{i < \text{cf}(\lambda)} T^i$. We may additionally require that T^i contains no subtree in $\mathbb{F}_{<\text{Rank}(T^i)}$ and so T^* contains no subtree in $\mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ (in particular, T^* does not belong to $\mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$); finally for the case $\text{cf}(\lambda) = \kappa$ we argue similarly, using the fact that we take fusion sequences with tree-ranks cofinal in λ .

For P5, we distinguish again the three different situations. In the successor case $\lambda + 1$, we can have: case 1) $\alpha < \lambda$, so simply pick some $T_0 \supseteq T$ in \mathbb{F}_λ and use the inductive hypothesis; case 2) $\alpha = \lambda$, so pick T_0 as in case 1) and use it as the S needed to satisfy P5. In case $\text{cf}(\lambda) < \kappa$, as above start with $T \in \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ and use induction to build a descending γ -sequence of length $\text{cf}(\lambda)$ such that $\{\text{Rank}(T^i) : i < \text{cf}(\lambda)\}$ is cofinal in λ and put $T^* := \bigcap_{i < \text{cf}(\lambda)} T^i$. Let $\alpha < \lambda$ and for $i < \text{cf}(\lambda)$ such that $\alpha < \text{Rank}(T^i)$ choose γ_i sufficiently large so that for all $t \in \text{Split}_{\geq \gamma_i}(T^i)$ one has T_t^i is contained in a tree of $\mathbb{F}_\alpha \setminus \mathbb{F}_{<\alpha}$; then, if $\gamma^* := \sup\{\gamma_i : i < \text{cf}(\lambda)\}$, for every $t \in \text{Split}_{\geq \gamma^*}(T)$ one has T_t is contained in a tree in $\mathbb{F}_\alpha \setminus \mathbb{F}_{<\alpha}$. The case $\text{cf}(\lambda) = \kappa$ is treated similarly, by using a sequence with tree-ranks cofinal in λ . \square

Proposition 2. *\mathbb{F} is $<\kappa$ -closed, κ^+ -cc and κ^κ -bounding.*

Proof. The $<\kappa$ -closure follows from point 3 of the construction.

To prove κ^+ -cc we argue as follows. Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{F}$ be a maximal antichain and pick λ such that $\text{cf}(\lambda) = \kappa$ and $A \cap \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ is coded by D_λ , using $\diamond_{\kappa^+}(S_{\kappa^+}^\kappa)$. By 4.(a) of the construction, for every $T \in \mathbb{F}_\lambda \setminus \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$, there is γ' such that for every $\gamma \geq \gamma'$ for every $t \in \text{Split}_\gamma(T)$, T_t is a subtree of some element of $A \cap \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$. By P5, if $T \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \mathbb{F}_\lambda$, there is $\gamma'' \leq \gamma'$ such that for every $\gamma \geq \gamma''$ for every $t \in \text{Split}_\gamma(T)$, T_t is a subtree of some element of $\mathbb{F}_\lambda \setminus \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$. It follows that for any $T \in \mathbb{F}_\lambda \setminus \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ there is $t \in T$ such that T_t is a subtree of some element of $A \cap \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$, and therefore $A \cap \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$ is a maximal antichain in \mathbb{F} . So $A \cap \mathbb{F}_{<\lambda} = A$, which finishes the proof as $|\mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}| = \kappa$.

For κ^κ -bounding we argue as follows. Let \dot{x} be an \mathbb{F} -name for an element of κ^κ and $T \in \mathbb{F}$. Choose $\{A_{ij} : i < \kappa, j < \kappa\}$ so that for each $i < \kappa$, $\bigcup_{j < \kappa} A_{ij}$ is a maximal antichain and elements of A_{ij} force $\dot{x}(i) = j$. Pick $\lambda < \kappa$ such that T belongs to $\mathbb{F}_{<\lambda}$, $\text{cf}(\lambda) = \kappa$ and D_λ codes such a sequence of antichains. By 4.(b) of the construction, we can then build a κ -fusion sequence in order to get $T' \leq T$ such that for each $i < \kappa$, T' forces the generic to hit $\bigcup_{j \in J_i} A_{ij}$, where each $J_i \subseteq \kappa$ has size $\leq 2^i$. Define $z \in \kappa^\kappa \cap V$ by $z(i) = \sup J_i$; then $T' \Vdash \forall i < \kappa, \dot{x}(i) \leq z(i)$. \square

4 Ideal and measurability

Once we have a tree forcing notion we can introduce a related ideal of *small* sets.

Definition 3. A set $X \subseteq 2^\kappa$ is said to be \mathbb{F} -null iff for all $T \in \mathbb{F}$ there exists $T' \in \mathbb{F}$, $T' \leq T$ such that $[T'] \cap X = \emptyset$. Further let $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$ be the ideal consisting of all \mathbb{F} -null

sets. A set is \mathbb{F} -conull if its complement is in $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$.

Remark 4. $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$ is a κ^+ -ideal; let $\{X_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa\}$ be a sequence of \mathbb{F} -null sets, and fix $T \in \mathbb{F}$. Build a κ -fusion sequence $\{T_\alpha : \alpha < \kappa\}$ such that for all $\alpha < \kappa$, for all $\beta \leq \alpha$, $[X_\beta] \cap [T_\alpha] = \emptyset$. Then $T' := \bigcap_{\alpha < \kappa} T_\alpha$ has the desired property.

One of the main properties of the null ideal in the standard framework is that of being *orthogonal* to the meager ideal, i.e., the space can be partitioned into a meager piece and a null piece. We now prove that the same holds for $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$.

Proposition 5. *There is $X \subseteq 2^\kappa$ such that $X \in \mathcal{M}$ and $2^\kappa \setminus X \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$.*

Proof. Let $A := \{A_i : i < \kappa\}$ be a maximal antichain in \mathbb{F} . Clearly, $X := \bigcup_{i < \kappa} [A_i]$ is \mathbb{F} -conull, since for every $T \in \mathbb{F}$, there is $i < \kappa$ such that $A_i \parallel T$, and so there is $T' \leq A_i$ such that $T' \leq T$. It is then sufficient to show that we can find such an antichain A with the further property that any $[A_i]$ is nowhere dense. But note that by property P2, any $T \in \mathbb{F}$ can be extended to contain no subtree of the form $(2^{<\kappa})_s$ for $s \in 2^{<\kappa}$ and $[T]$ is nowhere dense for such a tree T .

Now let $\mathbb{F}^* \subseteq \mathbb{F}$ be the dense set of such trees, and pick A a maximal antichain in \mathbb{F}^* . Then A remains a maximal antichain in \mathbb{F} as well, and it is then enough for our purpose. □

Measurability. There are essentially two possible notions of regularity related to \mathbb{F} .

Definition 6. A set $X \subseteq 2^\kappa$ is said to be:

1. \mathbb{F} -measurable iff for every $T \in \mathbb{F}$ there exists $T' \in \mathbb{F}$, $T' \leq T$ such that $[T'] \setminus X \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$ or $X \cap [T'] \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$.
2. \mathbb{F} -regular iff there exists $B \in \text{Bor}$ such that $X \Delta B \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$.

Concerning definition 6.1, we could equivalently require “ $[T'] \subseteq X$ or $[T'] \cap X = \emptyset$ ”, as $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$ is a κ^+ -ideal.

Proposition 7. *Let $X \subseteq 2^\kappa$.*

X is \mathbb{F} -measurable iff X is \mathbb{F} -regular.

Proof. The proof is just as the general case of \mathbb{P} -measurability in the standard case. We give it here for completeness.

\Rightarrow : by assumption, the set $E := \{T \in \mathbb{F} : [T] \cap X \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}} \vee [T] \cap X^c \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}\}$ is dense in \mathbb{F} . Then pick a maximal antichain A in E and put

$$B := \bigcup \{[T] : T \in A \wedge [T] \cap X^c \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}\}.$$

Note that B is Borel (Σ_2^0), since $|A| \leq \kappa$. We claim that $X \Delta B \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$. Indeed, for every $T \in \mathbb{F}$ we have two cases: there is $S \in A$ such that $[S] \cap X \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$, and so we find $S_0 \subseteq S$ such that $[S_0] \cap (X \Delta B) \subseteq [S_0] \cap X \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$, where the inclusion holds as $[S] \cap B = \emptyset$; otherwise there is $S \in A$ such that $[S] \cap X^c \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$ and so we find $S_0 \subseteq S$ such that $[S_0] \cap (X \Delta B) \subseteq [S_0] \cap X^c \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$, where the inclusion holds as $[S] \subseteq B$.

\Leftarrow : by assumption, it is enough to show that any Borel set is \mathbb{F} -measurable. We do that by induction on the Borel hierarchy. By a straightforward generalization of a result of Brendle and Löwe (see [1]), proving that all Borel sets are \mathbb{F} -measurable is equivalent to proving that for every Borel set B there is $T \in \mathbb{F}$ such that $[T] \subseteq B$ or $[T] \cap B = \emptyset$. For $s \in 2^{<\kappa}$, $[s]$ is trivially \mathbb{F} -measurable, and if B is \mathbb{F} -measurable, then by symmetry B^c is \mathbb{F} -measurable too. Finally, if B is the union of $\leq \kappa$ many Borel sets $\{C_\alpha : \alpha < \delta\}$, with $\delta \leq \kappa$, then we have two cases: there is $\alpha < \delta$ and $T \in \mathbb{F}$ such that $[T] \subseteq C_\alpha \subseteq B$; or for all $\alpha < \delta$, $C_\alpha \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$, and so $B \in \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}}$ as well. \square

In [6] and [8] it was shown that for some tree forcing notions one can force all projective sets to be measurable. Nevertheless this is not the case for \mathbb{F} . Indeed, next result shows that there is no hope for $\Sigma_1^1(\mathbb{F})$ to be consistent.

Proposition 8. *The club filter Cub is not \mathbb{F} -measurable.*

Proof. Standard. Given an arbitrary $T \in \mathbb{F}$ it suffices to show that $[T]$ contains branches both in Cub and in NS . We argue as follows:

- let $t_0 = \text{Stem}(T)$
- for $\alpha < \kappa$ successor, pick $t_\alpha \supset t_{\alpha-1} \hat{\ } 1$ such that $t_\alpha \in \text{Split}(T)$ and $|t_\alpha|$ is a limit ordinal.
- for $\alpha < \kappa$ limit, pick $t_\alpha \supset (\bigcup_{\xi < \alpha} t_\xi) \hat{\ } 1$ such that $t_\alpha \in \text{Split}(T)$ and $|t_\alpha|$ is a limit ordinal.

Finally put $x := \bigcup_{\alpha < \lambda} t_\alpha$. Clearly, $x \in [T] \cap \text{Cub}$.

Analogously, if in the previous choices of the t_α 's we replace 1 by 0, we get $x \in [T] \cap \text{NS}$. \square

We conclude by remarking that standard construction shows that $\Delta_1^1(\mathbb{F})$ is consistently false (e.g., in $V = L$).

5 Concluding remarks and open questions

It would be interesting to prove that $\Delta_1^1(\mathbb{F})$ is consistently true. The usual way for forcing such a statement for a tree-forcing \mathbb{P} is to take a κ^+ -iteration of \mathbb{P} with κ -support. The main point is to make sure that κ^+ is preserved. For our forcing \mathbb{F} it is not clear whether it is the case. So we leave the following as an open question.

Question. Does a κ^+ -iteration of \mathbb{F} with κ -support preserve κ^+ ? Or, can we modify \mathbb{F} in order to let the latter work?

What remains also open is the last part of [5, Question 3.1].

Question. Can one define a tree forcing that is $< \kappa$ -closed, κ^κ -bounding and κ^+ -cc, for κ successor?

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