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Let T be a first order theory. Two models are almost isomorphic if they are elementarily equivalent in the language $L_{\infty,\omega}$. We investigate the number of non almost-isomorphic models of T of power λ as a function of λ , $I(T, \lambda)$. We prove $\mu > \lambda \ge |T|$, $I(T, \lambda) \le \lambda$ implies $I(T, \mu) \le I(T, \lambda)$. In fact, we generalize the downward Skolem-Lowenheim theorem for infinitary languages. Th. (1, 4, 5).

Let L be a set of predicates with finite number of places and sufficient number of variables. (We assume there are no function symbols in L for simplicity only.) |L| will denote the number of predicates in L plus \aleph_0 . Models will be denoted by M, N. The set of elements of M will be |M|, the cardinality of a set A by |A| and so the cardinality of M by ||M||. Unless specified otherwise, every model is an L-model. Cardinals will be denoted by $\lambda, \mu, \kappa, \chi$ ordinals i, j, α, β . T will denote a theory, i.e., set of sentences. We define $\mu^{(2)} = \sum_{\kappa < \lambda} \mu^{\kappa}$. For cardinals λ, μ we define the language $L(\lambda, \mu)$ i.e., a set of formulas. This set is defined as the well known first-order language where we adjoin to its operations conjunction and disjunction on a set of $<\lambda$ formulas (i.e., $\bigwedge_{i \in I} \phi_i$, where $|I| < \lambda$) and existential or universal quantifications over a sequence of $<\mu$ variables. $L^*(\lambda, \mu)$ will be defined as $L(\lambda, \mu)$ where in addition we permit quantification of the form

if

$$[\forall \overline{x}^{\scriptscriptstyle 1})(\exists \overline{y}^{\scriptscriptstyle 1}) \cdots (\forall \overline{x}^{\scriptscriptstyle n})(\exists \overline{y}^{\scriptscriptstyle n}) \cdots]_{n < \omega}$$

$$\{x_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}^{\scriptscriptstyle 1},\, x_{\scriptscriptstyle 1}^{\scriptscriptstyle 1},\, \cdots,\, y_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}^{\scriptscriptstyle 1},\, y_{\scriptscriptstyle 1}^{\scriptscriptstyle 1},\, \cdots,\, x_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}^{\scriptscriptstyle n}\, \cdots\}\,|<\mu$$
 .

 $RL^*(\lambda, \mu)$ will denote the subset of $L^*(\lambda, \mu)$ consisting of the formulas Φ of $L^*(\lambda, \mu)$ such that for every subformula ϕ of Φ , if $\phi = [(\forall \overline{x}^i) (\exists \overline{y}^i) \cdots]\psi$, then $\models \phi \leftrightarrow \mathbb{Z}[(\exists \overline{x}^i)(\forall \overline{y}^i) \cdots] \mathbb{Z}\psi$. Clearly $RL^*(\lambda, \mu) \supset L(\lambda, \mu)$. K will denote any of those languages. Satisfaction (i.e., if $\phi = \phi(\overline{x})$, and \overline{a} is a sequence from |M|, then $M \models \phi[\overline{a}]$) is defined naturally. (See Hanf [2] and Henkin [3].) The only nontotally trivial case is

$$\psi(\overline{z})\,=\,[(oldsymbol{rac{\pi}{2}}^{_{0}})(oldsymbol{rac{\pi}{2}}^{_{1}})(oldsymbol{rac{\pi}{2}}^{_{1}})\cdots]\phi(\overline{z},\,\overline{x}^{_{0}},\,\overline{x}^{_{1}},\,\cdots,\,ar{y}^{_{0}},\,ar{y}^{_{1}}\,\cdots)\,$$
 .

 $M \models \psi[\bar{a}]$ if and only if there are functions $f_i^n(\bar{x}^0, \dots, \bar{x}^n)$ such that for every sequence $\bar{a}^0, \bar{a}^1, \dots$ from $M, M \models \phi[\bar{a}, \bar{a}^0, \bar{a}^1, \dots, \bar{b}^0, \bar{b}^1, \dots]$ where $\bar{b}^n = \langle \dots, f_i^n(\bar{a}^0, \bar{a}^1, \dots, \bar{a}^n), \dots \rangle$. For a sentence $\psi, \models \psi$ if for every $M, M \models \psi$. (Such languages were first defined in Henkin [3].)

If Γ is a set of formulas (for example one of the languages defined above), M is a Γ elementary submodel of N, if the set of elements of M, |M| is included in the set of elements of N, |N|, and for every formula $\phi(\overline{x}), \phi(\overline{x}) \in \Gamma$, and sequence \overline{a} from $|M|, M \models \phi[\overline{a}]$ if and only if $N \models \phi[\overline{a}], M, N$ are Γ -elementarily equivalent if for every sentence $\phi \in \Gamma, M \models \phi$ if and only if $N \models \phi$.

THEOREM 1. Let $\lambda > \mu$, λ regular and T be a theory in $RL^*(\lambda, \mu)$ [i.e., $T \subset RL^*(\lambda, \mu)$] and Γ be the set of subformulas of the formulas in T. Then for every model M we can add $<\lambda + |T|^+$ functions of $<\mu$ places such that: If $A \subset M$, and A is closed under those functions, then there exists a Γ -elementary submodel N of M, |N| = A. So if $\kappa \ge \lambda + |T|$ (or $\kappa \ge$ the number of those functions) and $\kappa^{(\mu)} = \kappa$, and T has a model of power $\ge \kappa$, then T has a model of power κ .

Proof. This theorem is proved in [9], and is a straight-forward generalization of a theorem of Hanf in [2].

DEFINITION 1.

$$egin{aligned} L(\infty,\,\mu) &= igcup_{\lambda} L(\lambda,\,\mu),\,L^*(\infty,\,\mu) = igcup_{\lambda} L^*(\lambda,\,\mu),\ RL^*(\infty,\,\mu) &= igcup_{\lambda} RL^*(\lambda,\,\mu) \;. \end{aligned}$$

DEFINITION 2. (1) M and N are μ -almost isomorphic, $M \sim_{\mu} N$ if M, N are $L(\infty, \mu)$ -elementarily equivalent. We say M and N are almost isomorphic if $M \sim_{\aleph_0} N$, and we write $M \sim N$.

(2) $I(T, \lambda, \mu)$, is the number of non- μ -almost-isomorphic models of T of power λ . We assume always λ is \geq then |T|.

See footnote 1.

THEOREM 2. If T is a theory in $RL^*(\lambda, \mu), \mu = \aleph_0$ or $\mu = \mu_1^+, \kappa \ge \chi = \chi^{(\mu)} + \lambda + |T|$ and $I(T, \chi, \mu) \le \chi$ then $I(T, \kappa, \mu) \le I(T, \chi, \mu)$.

The proof is broken into a series of lemmas.

REMARKS. (1) It is not hard to show that if $T \subset L(\lambda, \aleph_0)$, $I(T, \chi, \aleph_0) \leq \chi$, then for every $\kappa_1, \kappa_2 \geq \beth_{(2^{\lambda+\chi_1+})}, I(T, \kappa_1, \aleph_0) = I(T, \kappa_2, \aleph_0)$. (See Makkai [7] and Eklof [15].)

¹ The results here appear in the notices [10] Th. 5 [11] Th. 3. The lemma has other uses: see [12] Th. 2.5 and Remark (4): in [11] their consequences are better formulated. In Th. 2 we can replace $T \subset RT^*(\lambda, \mu)$ by $T \subset RL^*(\lambda^+, \mu)$ and similarly in other cases.

(2) Let $\lambda = \mu = \aleph_0$ and suppose $|T| \leq \kappa_0$. Then as the class of such theories is a set, there is a number $\kappa = HAI_{\kappa_0}$ (Hanf number of almost isomorphism) such that: for all $T, |T| \leq \kappa_0, I(T, \kappa, \aleph_0) \leq \kappa$ if and only if there is a $\chi, I(T, \chi, \aleph_0) \leq \chi$, and κ is the first such cardinality. (The existence of such numbers for a wide class of cases was proved by Hanf in [2].)

Question 1. What is HAI_{κ_0} ? (Clearly if $\lambda \rightarrow (\kappa_0^+)_{2^{\kappa_0}}^{<\omega}$ then $HAI_{\kappa_0} < \lambda$).

(3) It is known that $M \sim N$, $\aleph_0 = ||M|| = ||N||$ implies that M, N are isomorphic (see Scott [8]).

(4) Ehrenfeucht in [1] defined a model to be rigid if it has no nontrivial automorphisms and tried to investigate what can be the class of cardinals in which a certain theory has a rigid model. He gives some examples, but does not prove any theorem of the form: If T has a rigid model of one power, then it has a rigid model in another power.

DEFINITION. M is μ -rigid if there do not exist two different sequences of length $\langle \mu, \bar{a}, \bar{b}$, such that $(M, \bar{a}) \sim_{\mu} (M, \bar{b})$. $((M, \bar{a})$ is the model M when we adjoin the a's as individual constants.) See footnote 2. Clearly

THEOREM. If $\mu < \lambda$, and M is μ -rigid, then it is λ -rigid and also rigid. By a proof similar to that of Theorem 2, we can prove:

THEOREM. If a first-order theory T has a μ -rigid model of power λ , $|T| + \aleph_0 \leq \kappa = \kappa^{(\mu)} \leq \lambda$, $\mu = \mu_1^+$ or $\mu = \aleph_0$, then T has a μ -rigid model of power κ .

Proof of Theorem 2.

DEFINITION 3. (1) Let L_1 be L where we adjoin to it one twoplace predicate E and variables y, y_0, y_1, \cdots we assume $E, y, y_0 \cdots \neq L$. We shall write xEy instead E(x, y).

(2) If $R \in L$ then R^{M} will denote the relation of M corresponding to R.

(3) Let $\{M_i: i \in I\}$ be a set of *L*-models and we define their sum $N = \bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$, (or $\bigoplus \{M_i: i \in I\}$). For simplicity we assume that the sets $|M_i|$ are pairwise disjoint. N will be an L_1 -model $|N| = \bigcup_{i \in I} |M_i|$, $R^N = \bigcup_{i \in I} R^{M_i}$ for every $R \in L$, and $E^N = \{\langle a, b \rangle : (\exists i)[a, b \in |M_i|]\}$.

(4) For every formula ϕ of any language, we define by induction ² Barwise [14] suggests a similar definition and argues its naturality. $\overline{\phi}$: if ϕ is atomic $\overline{\phi} = \phi$; $\overline{\phi} = \overline{\phi}, \overline{\phi}, \overline{\phi} \vee \psi = \overline{\phi} \vee \overline{\psi}$, (likewise for the other connectives), $\overline{\exists (\exists \overline{x})\phi} = (\exists \overline{x})[\overline{\phi} \wedge \bigwedge_i x_i Ey]$, (where $\overline{x} = \langle \cdots x_i \cdots \rangle$) $(\overline{\forall \overline{x})\phi} = (\forall \overline{x})[\bigwedge_i x_i Ey \to \overline{\phi}]$, and

$$\overline{[(\forall \overline{x}^{1})(\exists \overline{y}^{1})\cdots]\phi} = [(\forall \overline{x}^{1})(\exists \overline{y}^{1})\cdots](\bigwedge_{i,n} x_{i}^{n}Ey \rightarrow \overline{\phi} \land \bigwedge_{i,n} y_{i}^{n}Ey)$$

if the language contains such formulas. Clearly for any language $K, \phi \in K \Longrightarrow \bar{\phi} \in K$. Also, if ϕ is a sentence $(\forall y)\bar{\phi}$ is a sentence.

(5) Define

$$\overline{T} = \{(orall y)ar{\phi} \colon \phi \in T\} \cup \{(orall x) x E x, \ (orall x_0 x_1 x_2) (x_0 E x_1 \land x_0 E x_2 o x_1 E x_2)\} \;.$$

LEMMA 3. Each M_i is an L-model of T if and only if $\bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$ is an L_1 -model of \overline{T} .

Proof. Immediate

DEFINITION 4.

$$egin{aligned} &\psi^n_lpha &= \psi^n_lpha(ar x^0,ar x^1,\,\cdots,\,ar x^n,\,ar y^0,\,\cdots,\,ar y^n) = igwedge \{R(x^{i_1}_{j_1},\,\cdots,\,x^{i_k}_{j_k}\,\cdots) \ &\leftrightarrow R(y^{i_1}_{j_1},\,\cdots,\,y^{i_k}_{j_k}\,\cdots) ce i_1,\,\cdots,\,i_k\,\cdots \in \{0,\,\cdots,\,n\}, \ &R\in L,\,j_1,\,\cdots,\,j_k\,\cdots < lpha\} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$ar{x}^n = ig< \cdots x^n_i \cdots ig>_{i < lpha}, \, ar{y}^n = ig< \cdots y^n_i \cdots ig>_{i < lpha}$$
 .

Also let

$$\varPhi_{\alpha}^{m} = [\bigwedge_{\substack{i < \alpha \\ 2n < m}} x_{i}^{2n} Ex \wedge \bigwedge_{\substack{i < \alpha \\ 2n + 1 < m}} y_{i}^{2n+1} Ey] \rightarrow [\bigwedge_{\substack{i < \alpha \\ 2n + 1 < m}} x_{i}^{2n+1} Ex \wedge \bigwedge_{\substack{i < \alpha \\ 2n < m}} y_{i}^{2n} Ey$$

 $\wedge \bigwedge_{n < m} \psi_{\alpha}^{n} (\overline{x}^{0}, \cdots, \overline{x}^{n}, \overline{y}^{0}, \cdots, \overline{y}^{n})] :$
 $\phi_{\alpha}^{\omega} = \bigwedge_{m < \omega} \varPhi_{\alpha}^{m} = \phi_{\alpha}^{\omega} (x, y, \overline{x}^{0}, \overline{y}^{0}, \overline{x}^{1}, \overline{y}^{1}, \cdots) .$

For even n

$$\phi_{\alpha}^{n} = \phi_{\alpha}^{n}(x, y, \overline{x}^{0}, \overline{y}^{0}, \cdots, \overline{x}^{n-1}, \overline{y}^{n-1}) = [(\forall \overline{x}^{n})(\exists \overline{y}^{n})(\forall \overline{y}^{n+1})(\exists \overline{y}^{n+1})\cdots]\phi_{\alpha}^{\omega} .$$

For odd n

$$\phi^n_{\alpha}(x, y, \overline{x}^0, \overline{y}^0, \cdots, \overline{x}^{n-1}, \overline{y}^{n-1}) = [(\forall \overline{y}^n)(\exists \overline{x}^n)(\forall \overline{x}^{n+1})(\exists \overline{y}^{n+1})(\forall \overline{y}^{n+2})\cdots]\phi^\omega_{\alpha} \ .$$

LEMMA 4. If

 $a \in |M|, b \in |N|, M, N \in \{M_i: i \in I\}, M^* = igoplus_{i \in I} M_i$,

and $\mu = \kappa^+$ or $\mu = \aleph_0$, and κ is finite, then $M \sim_{\mu} N$ if and only if $M^* \models \phi^0_{\kappa}[a, b]$.

REMARK. Keisler in [5] used sentences similar to ϕ_{α}^{n} . These sentences can be seen as asserting something about an appropriate game (between a player choosing \overline{x}^{0} , y^{1} , x^{2} , \cdots and a player choosing \overline{y}^{0} , \overline{x}^{1} , \cdots). In this presentation a similar theorem appears in Karp [4].

Added in proof. See also Benda [13].

Proof.

Part A- Suppose $M \sim_{\mu} N$.

For every two sequences \overline{a} , \overline{b} of elements of M, either there is a formula $\phi_{\overline{a},\overline{b}}(\overline{x})$ of $L(\infty, \mu)$ such that $M \models \phi_{\overline{a},\overline{b}}[\overline{a}]$, $M \models \nearrow \phi_{\overline{a},\overline{b}}[\overline{b}]$, or there is no such ϕ and in this case, we let $\phi_{\overline{a},\overline{b}}(\overline{x}) = (x_0 = x_0)$.

Let $\phi_{\overline{a}}(\overline{x}) = \bigwedge_{\overline{b}} \phi_{\overline{a},\overline{b}}(\overline{x}) \in L(\infty, \mu)$. Let $\overline{\phi_{\overline{a}}(\overline{x})} = \phi_{\overline{a}}'(y, \overline{x})$. Let $\alpha < \mu$. We define the functions

$$egin{aligned} &f_i^{_2n}(\overline{x}^0,\,\overline{y}^0,\,\overline{y}^1,\,\overline{x}^1,\,\overline{x}^2,\,\cdots,\,\overline{y}^{_{2n-1}},\,\overline{x}^{_{2n-1}},\,\overline{x}^{_{2n}})\;,\ &f_i^{_{2n+1}}(\overline{x}^0,\,\overline{y}^0,\,\overline{y}^1,\,\overline{x}^1,\,\overline{x}^2,\,\cdots,\,\overline{x}^{_{2n}},\,\overline{y}^{_{2n}},\,\overline{y}^{_{2n+1}}) \end{aligned}$$

for $i < \alpha$ such that: If \bar{a}° , \bar{b}° , \bar{a}^{i} , $\bar{b}^{1} \cdots$ are sequences of length α , \bar{a}^{2n} a sequence of elements of M, and \bar{b}^{2n+1} a sequence of elements of N, and for every n

$$ar{b}^{2n} = \langle \cdots f_i^{2n}(ar{a}^0, ar{b}^0, \cdots, ar{a}^{2n}) \cdots
angle_{i < lpha} \ ar{a}^{2n+1} = \langle \cdots f_i^{2n+1}(ar{a}^0, \cdots, ar{b}^{2n+1}) \cdots
angle_{i < lpha}$$

then $M^* \models \phi^{\omega}_{\alpha}[a, b, \overline{a}^{\circ}, \overline{b}^{\circ}, \cdots].$

Suppose we have defined f_i^n for n < 2m, and let us define f_i^{2m} for $i < \alpha$. $(f_i^{2m+1} \text{ are defined similarly.})$

If for some n < 2m, $i < \alpha \ b_i^n \notin |N|$, or for some $i < \alpha$, $n \leq 2m \ a_i^n \notin |M|$, then $f_i^{2m}(\bar{a}^0, \dots, a^{2m})$ is defined as an arbitrary element of M^* . Also if there exists a formula $\psi(\bar{z}^1, \dots, \bar{z}^n) \in L(\infty, \mu)$ such that

$$M\vDash\psi[ar{a}^{\scriptscriptstyle 0},\,ar{a}^{\scriptscriptstyle 1},\,\cdots,\,ar{a}^{\scriptscriptstyle 2m-1}]N\vDasharpi\,\psi[ar{b}^{\scriptscriptstyle 0},\,\cdots,\,ar{b}^{\scriptscriptstyle 2m-1}]$$

we define $f_i^{2m}(\bar{a}^0 f^0 \cdots \bar{a}^{2m})$ arbitrarily.

So assume none of the previous cases occur. Define $\bar{a}[n] = \bar{a}^{\circ} \frown \bar{a}^{\circ} \frown \bar{a}^{\circ} \frown \bar{a}^{\circ} \frown \bar{a}^{\circ}$ (the concatenation of $\bar{a}_{1}, \dots, \bar{a}^{n}$) and $\bar{b}[n] = \bar{b}^{\circ} \frown \cdots \frown \bar{b}^{n}$. Clearly

$$M \models (\forall \overline{x})(\phi_{\overline{a}[2m-1]}(\overline{x}) \longrightarrow (\exists \overline{z})\phi_{\overline{a}[2m]}(\overline{x}, \overline{z}))$$
.

As $M \sim_{\mu} N$, N also satisfies the above sentence; so there exists \bar{b}^{2m} such that for every $\phi \in L(\infty, \mu)$, $M \models \phi[\bar{a}^0, \dots, \bar{a}^{2m}]$ if and only if $N \models \phi[\bar{b}^0, \dots, \bar{\phi}^{2m}]$. Let $f_i^{2m}(\bar{a}^0, \bar{b}^0, \dots, \bar{a}^{2m}) = \bar{b}_i^{2m}$.

Clearly (this shows that $M^* \models \phi^{\circ}_{\alpha}[a, b]$ for every $\alpha < \mu$, and in particular for κ .

Part B. We now assume that $M^* \models \phi_1^\circ[a, b]$, and $\mu = \aleph_0$. The proof in the case $\mu = \kappa^+$ or $1 < \kappa < \aleph_0$ is similar. For simplicity, we shall not distinguish between $\bar{a} = \langle a_0 \rangle$ and a_0 .

Two sequences, \overline{a} from M and \overline{b} from N, of length $n, n < \omega$, will be called equivalent if $M^* \models \phi_1^n[a, b, \overline{a}, \overline{b}]$. If n = 2m, clearly for every $b^{n+1} \in |N|$ there exists $a^{n+1} \in |M|$ such that $\overline{a} \frown \langle a^{n+1} \rangle$ and $\overline{b} \frown \langle b^{n+1} \rangle$ are equivalent, and similarly for n = 2m + 1.

Let $\phi(\bar{x}) \in L(\infty, \mu)$, \bar{x} a finite sequence of variables. We shall prove that if \bar{a} , \bar{b} are equivalent then $M \models \phi[\bar{a}]$ if and only if $N \models \phi[\bar{b}]$. As subformulas of formulas with $\langle \mathbf{X}_0 \rangle$ free variables have $\langle \mathbf{X}_0 \rangle$ free variables we can prove it by induction. For atomic formulas it follows from the definition of ϕ_1^n . For $\neg \phi, \phi \lor \psi$, it is immediate, and so also for the other connectives. For quantification it follows by the fact mentioned above after the definition of equivalent sequences.

So we have proved that if $\overline{a}, \overline{b}$ are equivalent sequences, $\phi(\overline{x}) \in L(\infty, \mu)$, then $M \models \phi[\overline{a}]$ if and only if $N \models \phi[\overline{b}]$. Since the sequences of length zero from M and N are equivalent (by our hypotheses $M^* \models \phi_1^o(a, b)$), we get our conclusion that $M \sim N$. This proves Lemma 4.

LEMMA 5.
$$\phi^{\circ}_{\alpha}(x, y) \in RL^*(\infty, \mu)$$
. See footnote 3.

Proof. It is easily seen that the only thing we have to prove is: $\models [(\forall \overline{x}^{0})(\exists \overline{y}^{0})(\forall y^{1})(\exists x^{1})\cdots] \bigwedge_{n < \omega} \phi^{n}_{\alpha} \leftrightarrow \mathcal{7}[(\exists \overline{x}^{0})(\forall \overline{y}^{0})(\exists \overline{y}^{1})(\forall x^{1})\cdots] \bigvee_{n < \omega} \mathcal{7} \phi^{n}_{\alpha}.$ For simplicity, let $\alpha = 1$.

It is not hard to see that if $M \models [(\forall x^0)(\exists y^0) \cdots] \bigwedge_{n < \omega} \phi_1^n$, then $M \models \mathbb{Z}[(\exists x^0)(\forall y^0) \cdots] \bigvee_{n < \omega} \mathbb{Z} \phi_1^n$. (See, for example, Keisler [6].)

So suppose $M \models \mathbb{7} [(\exists \bar{x}^0)(\forall y^0) \cdots] \bigvee_{n < \omega} \mathbb{7} \phi_1^n$. It is not hard to see that for every $n < \omega$, and formula ϕ

$$\models \nearrow [(\forall z_1)(\exists z_2)(\forall z_3) \cdots] \phi \leftrightarrow (\exists z_1) \nearrow [(\exists z_2)(\forall z_3) \cdots] \phi \\ \models (\exists z_1) \nearrow [(\exists z_2)(\forall z_3) \cdots] \phi \leftrightarrow (\exists z_1)(\forall z_2) \nearrow [(\forall z_3) \cdots] \phi ,$$
 etc.

Now let us define functions $g_n(x^0, y^0, y^1, \dots, x^i \dots y^j \dots)_{i,j < n}$. Let $\theta_n(x, y, x^0, y^0, x^1, y^1, \dots, x^n, y^n) = \mathbb{7} [\forall x^n)(\exists y^n)(\forall y^{n+1})(\exists x^{n+1}) \dots] \bigvee_{n < \omega} \mathbb{7} \phi_1^n$.

³ This lemma is, in fact, a translation of a well known theorem from game theory.

(This is for even *n*, the definition for odd *n* is clear.) The functions will be such that if $a^0, \dots, a^n \in |M|, b^0, \dots, b^n \in |N|$, and for every $2m \leq nb^{2m} = g_{2m}(a^0, b^0, \dots)$, and for every $2m + 1 \leq na^{2m+1} = g_{2m+1}(a^0, b^0, \dots)$; then $M^* \models \theta_n[a, b, a^0, b^0 \dots]$. The definition is self-evident. Let $a^0 \dots a^n \dots \in |M|, b^0 \dots b^n \dots \in |N|$ be such that for every $2mb^{2m} = g_{2m}(a^0, b^0 \dots)$ and for every $2m + 1 a^{2m+1} = g_{2m+1}(a^0, b^0 \dots)$ and let $n < \omega$. As $M^* \models \theta_{n+1}[a, b, a^0, b^0 \dots a^n, b^n]$, clearly $M^* \models \phi_1^n(a, b, a^0, b^0 \dots a^n, b^n)$.

So $M^* \models \bigwedge_{n < \omega} \phi_1^n(a, b, a^0, b^0, \dots, a^n b^n)$, and hence $M^* \models \phi_1^{\omega}[a, b, a^0, b^0 \dots]$. So $M^* \models \phi_1^n[a, b]$ (as this is true for every $a^0, b^1, a^2, b^3 \dots$) and this is the desired conclusion.

LEMMA 6. Let $\mu = \kappa^+$ or $\mu = \aleph_0$, $\kappa = 1$, T a theory in $RL^*(\lambda, \mu)$, $\chi = \chi^{(\mu)} + \lambda + |T|$, and $I(T, \chi, \mu) \leq \chi$. Then for every model N of T of power $>\chi$, there exists a model M of T of power χ such that $M \sim_{\mu} N$.

REMARK. This clearly proves Theorem 2.

Proof. Let $\{M_i: i \in I\}$ be a maximal set of non- μ -almost-isomorphic models of T of power χ , and let N be a model of T of power $>\chi$ such that for no $i \in I, N \sim_{\mu} M_i$.

Let $M^* = \bigoplus (\{N\}\{M_i: i \in I\})$. Clearly M^* is a model of $T_1 = \overline{T} \cup \{(\forall x, y) [\not \neg x E y \rightarrow \not \neg \phi_x^{\circ}(x, y)] \}$. Let $a \in |N|$, and $A = \{a\} \cup \bigcup \{|M_i|: i \in I\}$. Clearly, $|A| = \chi$.

Let Γ be the set of subformulas of formulas $\in T_1$. By Theorem 1, it follows that M^* has a Γ -elementary submodel N^* , $|N^*| \supset A, \mathcal{X} =$ $||N^*|| =$ (the power of N^*), such that every equivalence class (of E) in N^* has exactly \mathcal{X} elements. Clearly, $N^* = \bigoplus (\{N_i\} \cup \{M_i: i \in I\})$, and for every i, N_1, M_i are models of T, and they are non- μ -almost-isomorphic. So N_1 contradicts the definition of $\{M_i: i \in I\}$, thus proving Lemma 6.

This ends the proof of Theorem 2.

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