
Schröder-Bernstein property in a category of countable models

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Preliminary

- T for a complete theory
 - M, N for models of T
 - $a, b, c \dots$ for elements
 - x for a variable
 - p for a type
 - for a formula
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Schröder-Bernstein property

Def.1.

T has the Schröder-Bernstein property(SB)
if any models M, N of T are isomorphic
whenever they are elementary bi-embeddable.

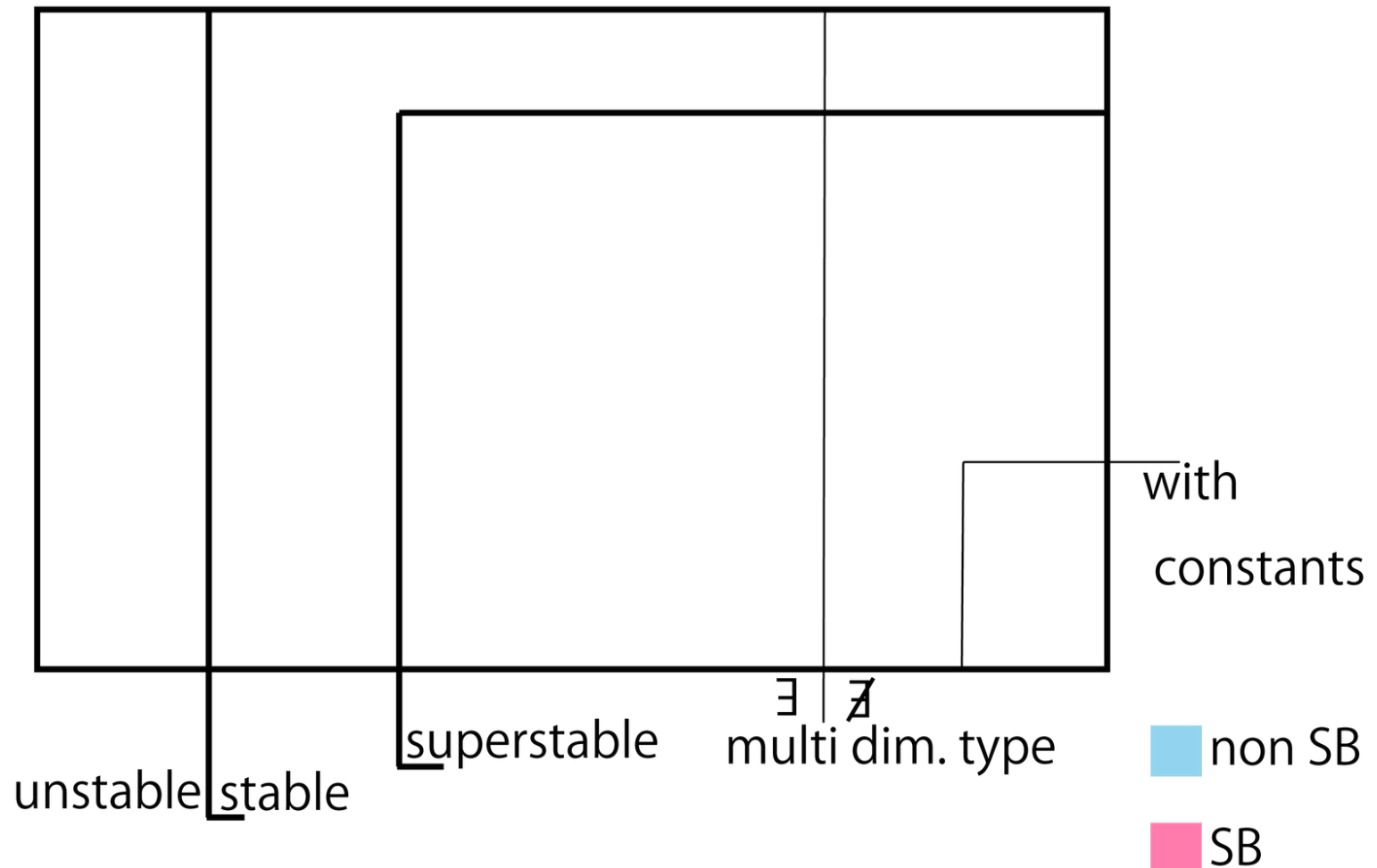
$$M \prec N, N \prec M$$



$$M \cong N$$

Background

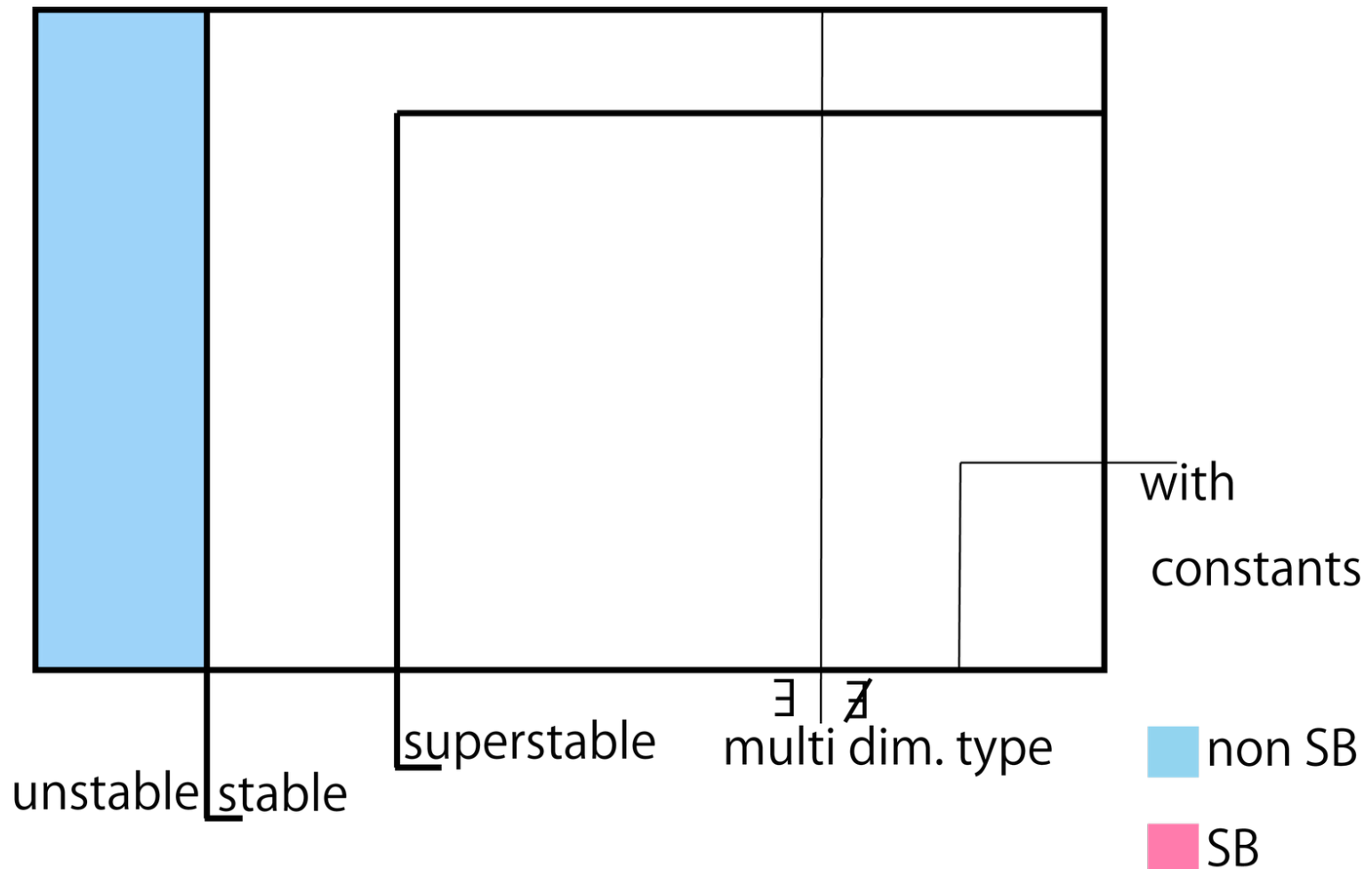
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Thm.2.(S. Shelah)

Unstable theories do not have SB.

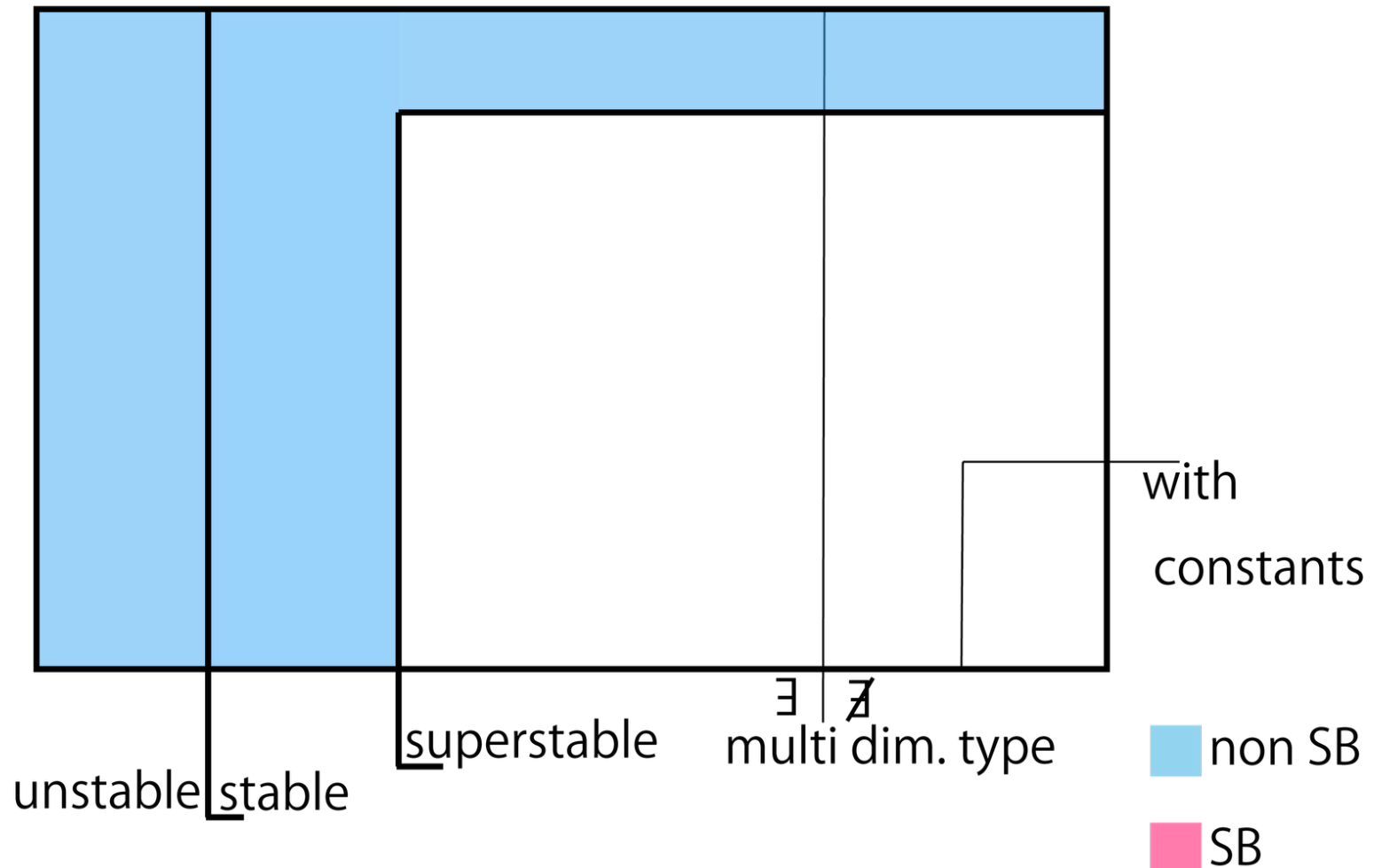
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Thm.3.(L. Harrington,2007)

Strictly stable theories do not have SB.

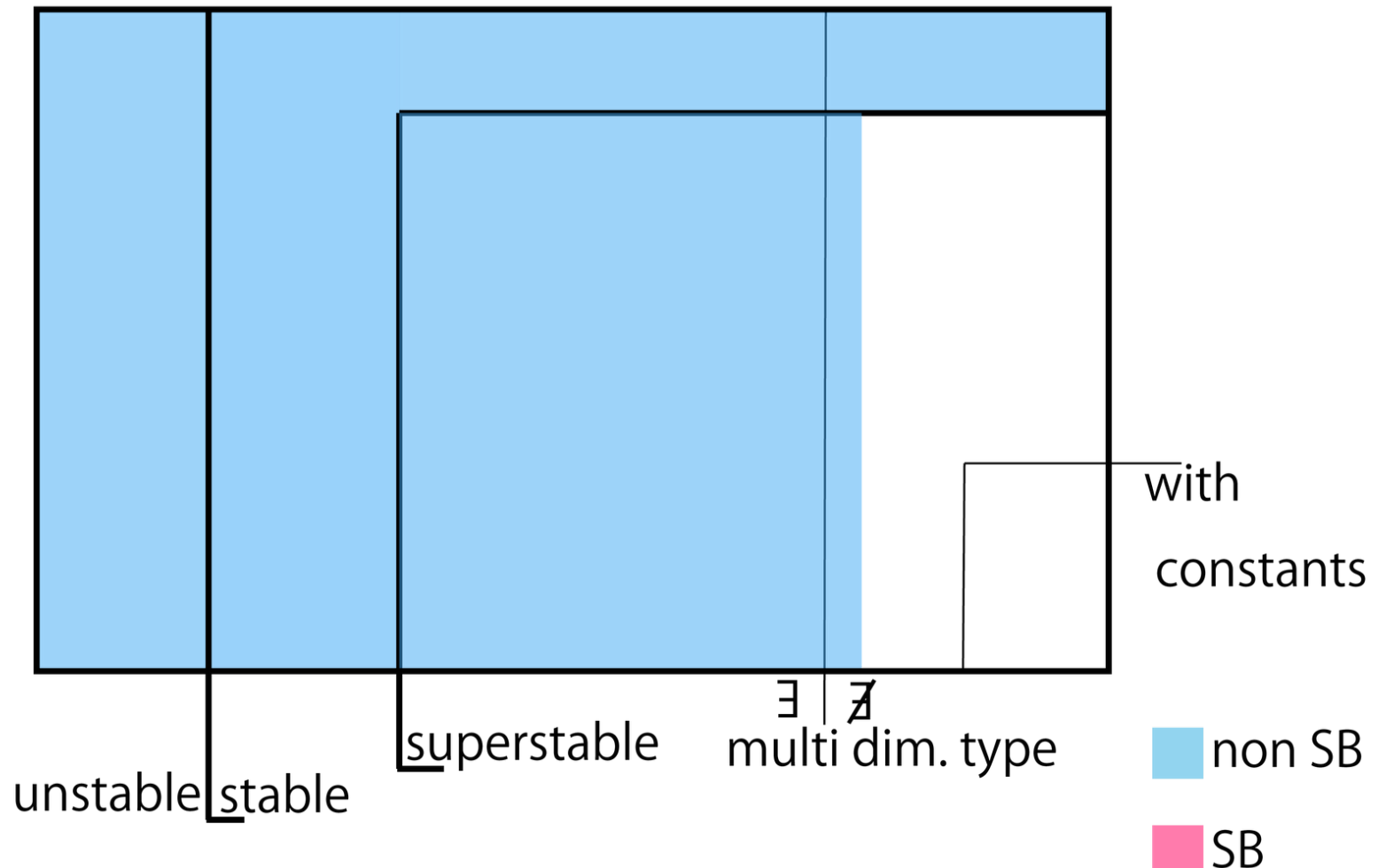
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Thm.4.(J. Goodrick,2007)

Superstable theories with a nomadic type do not have SB.

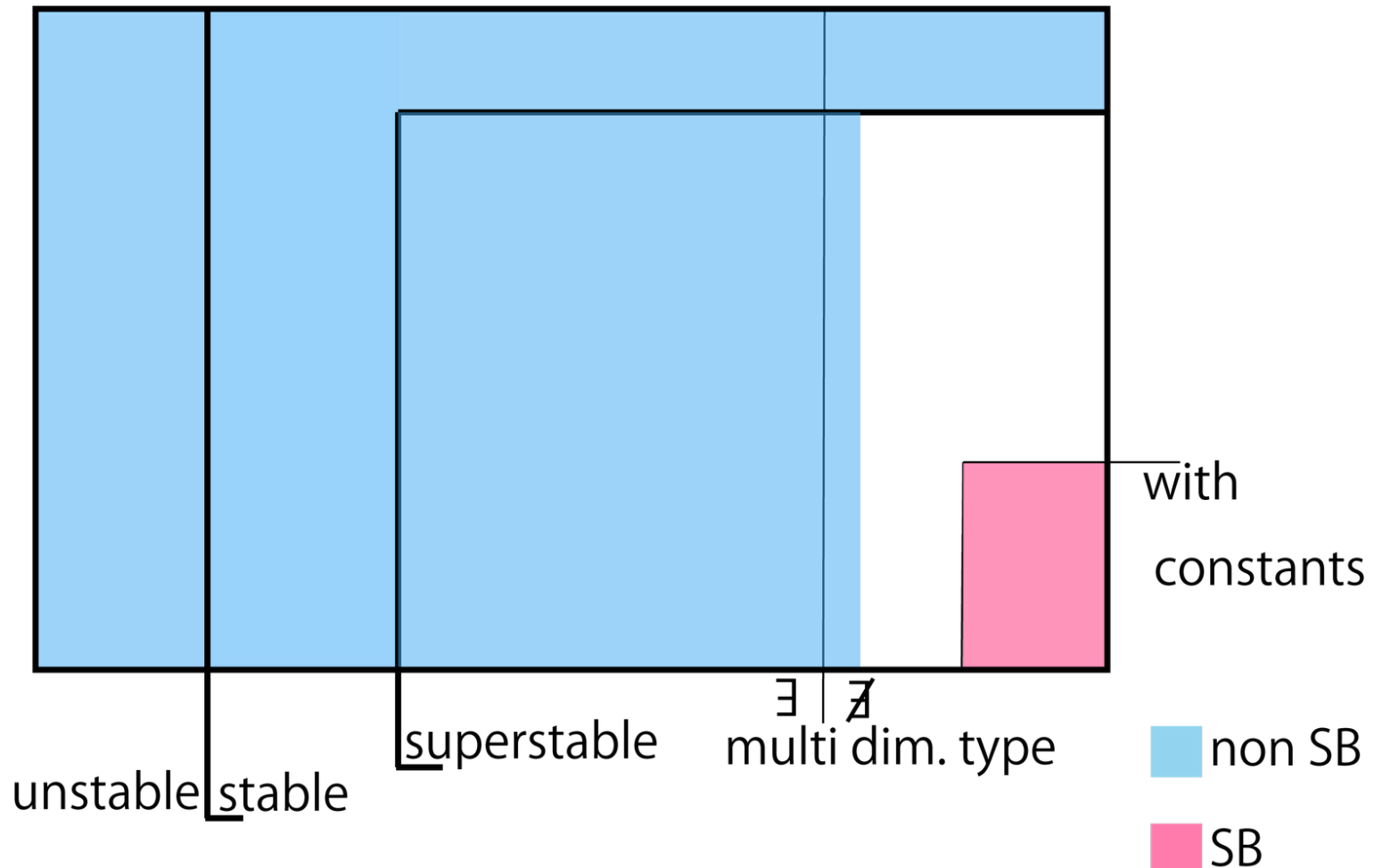
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Thm.5.(J. Goodrick and M. C. Lastowski,2012)

Superstable theories without nomadic types have SB after adding a-model as constants.

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Cardinality of counter examples

- unstable
at least 2^{\aleph_0}
- strictly stable
at least \aleph_1
- superstable with a nomadic type
at least \aleph_ω

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Suppose that T is a countable theory.

Schröder-Bernstein property for countable models

Def.6.

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if any countable models M, N of T are isomorphic
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Schröder-Bernstein property for countable models

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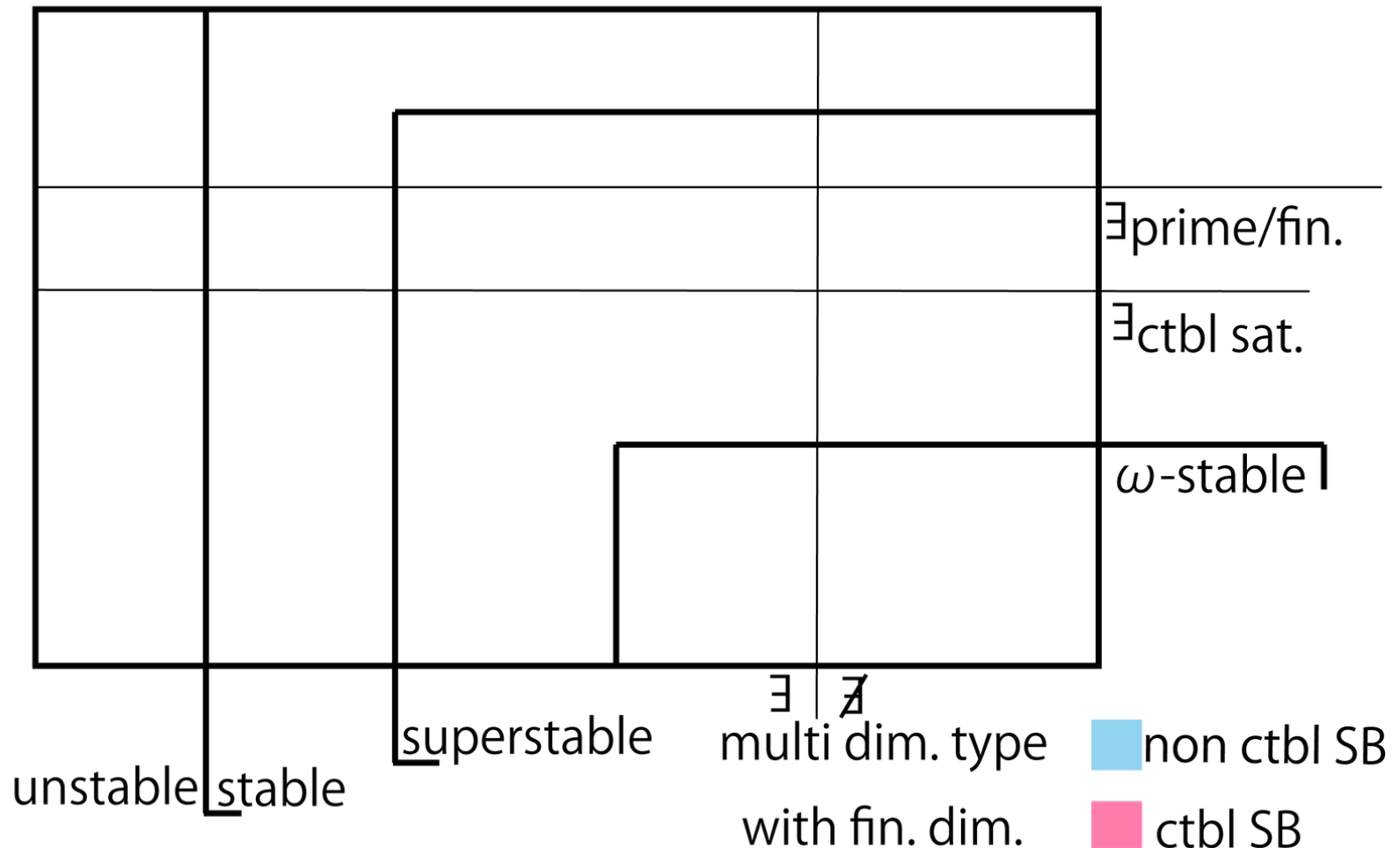
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if any **countable** models M, N of T are isomorphic
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Clearly, a ω -categorical theory has ctbl SB.

Background and Results

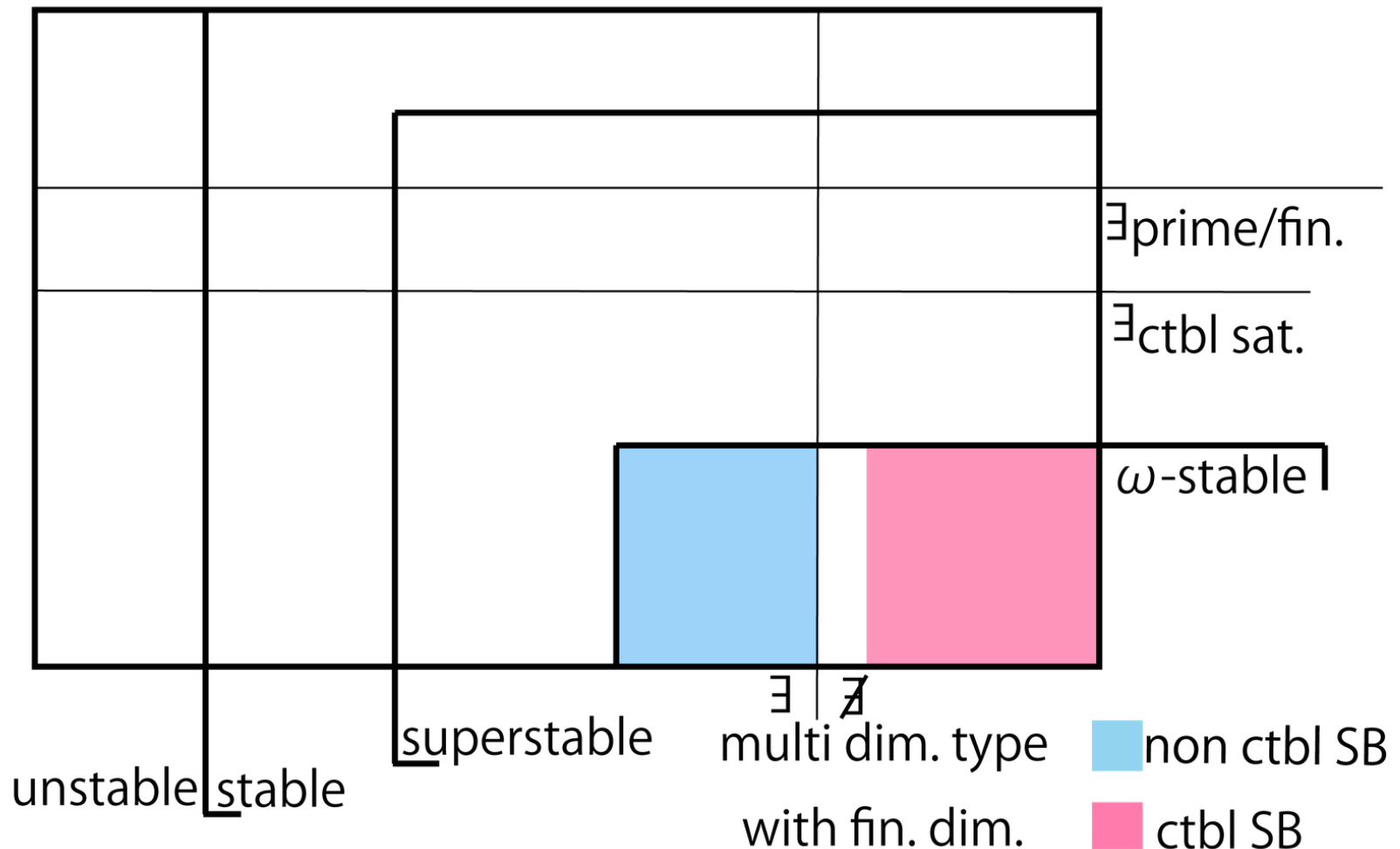
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Thm.7.(T. A. Nurmagambetov,1989)

There is a characterization of ctbl SB in ω -stable case.

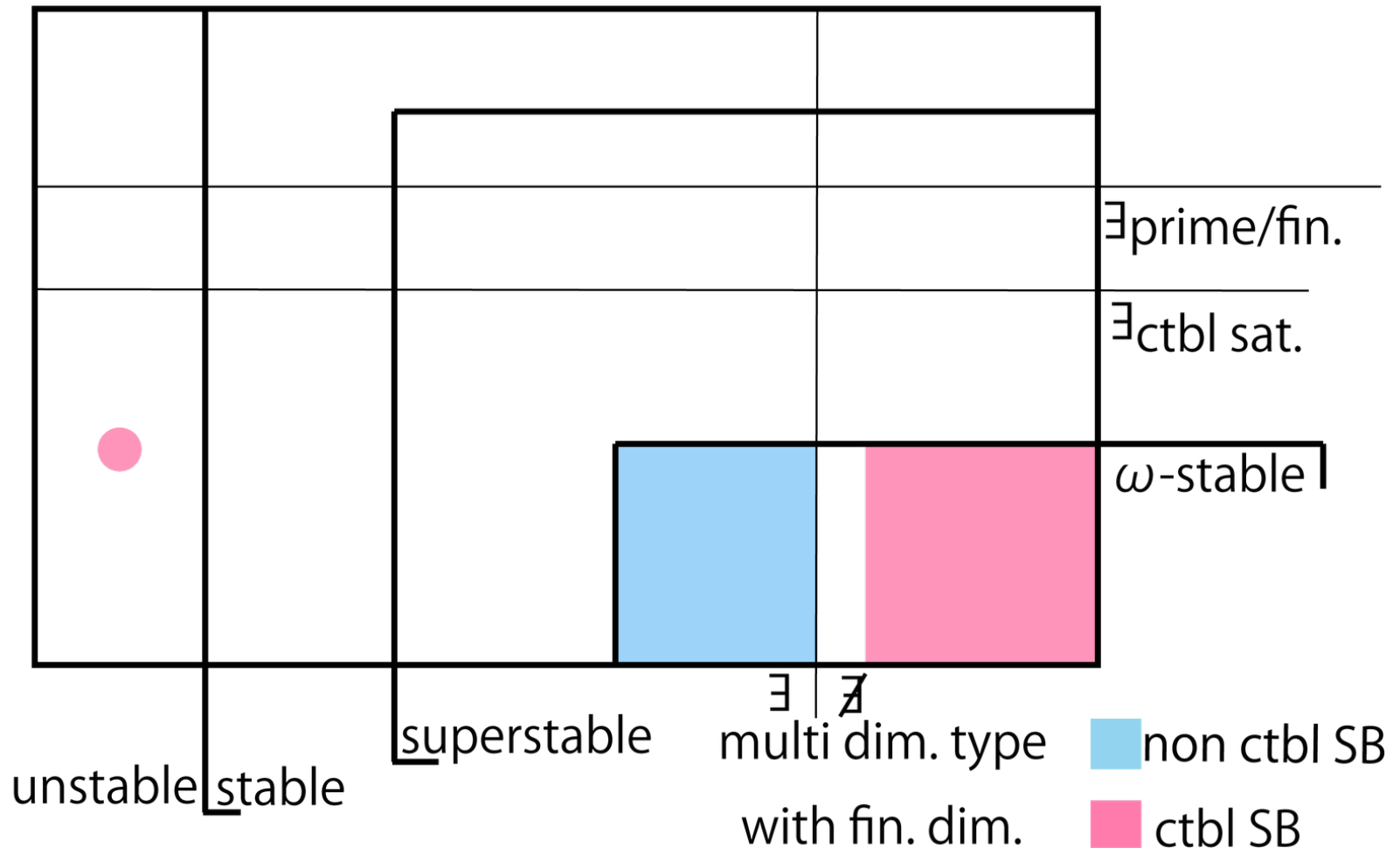
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Ex.8.

The theory of a dense linear order has ctbl SB.

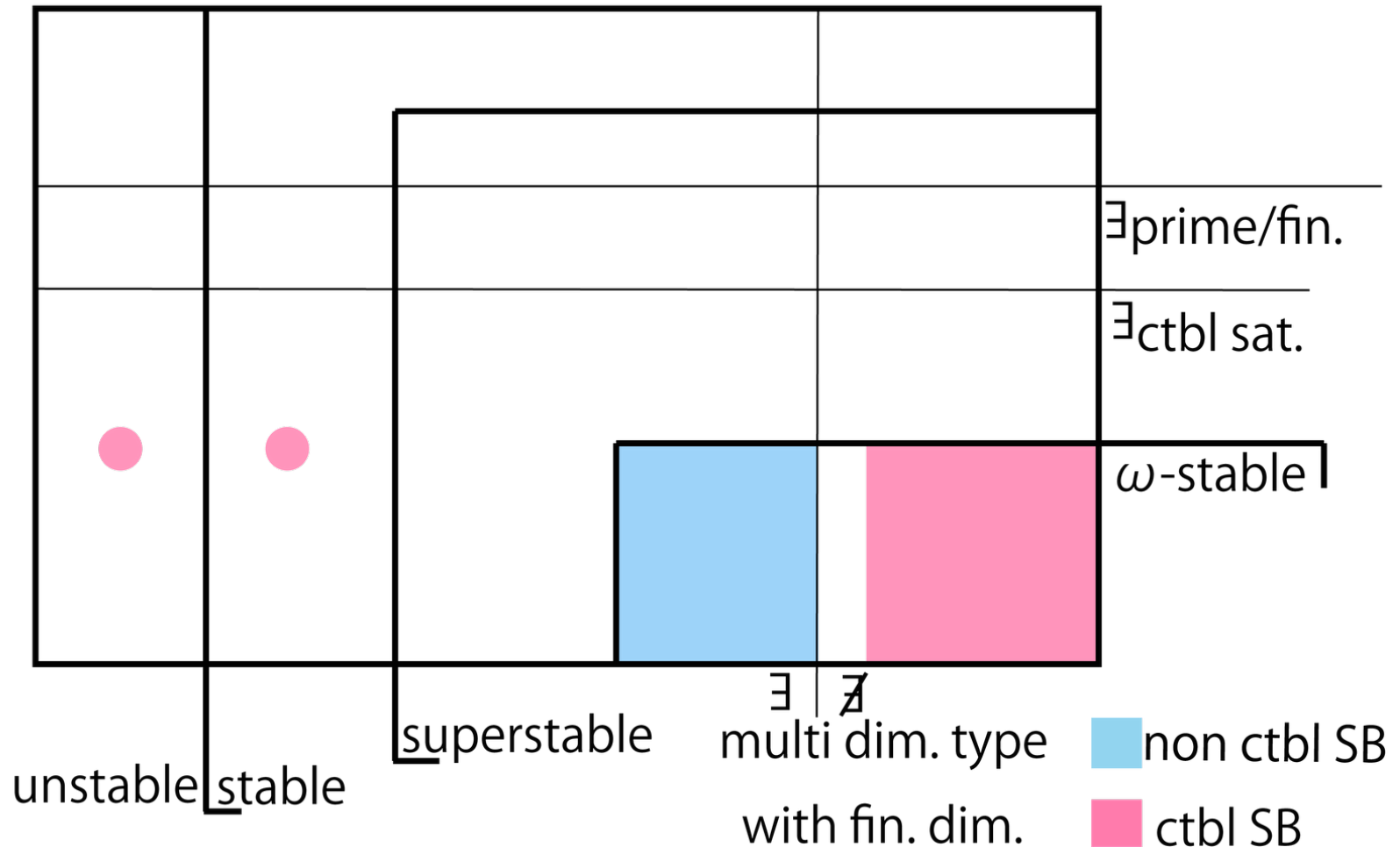
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Ex.9.

There is a strictly stable ω -categorical theory.

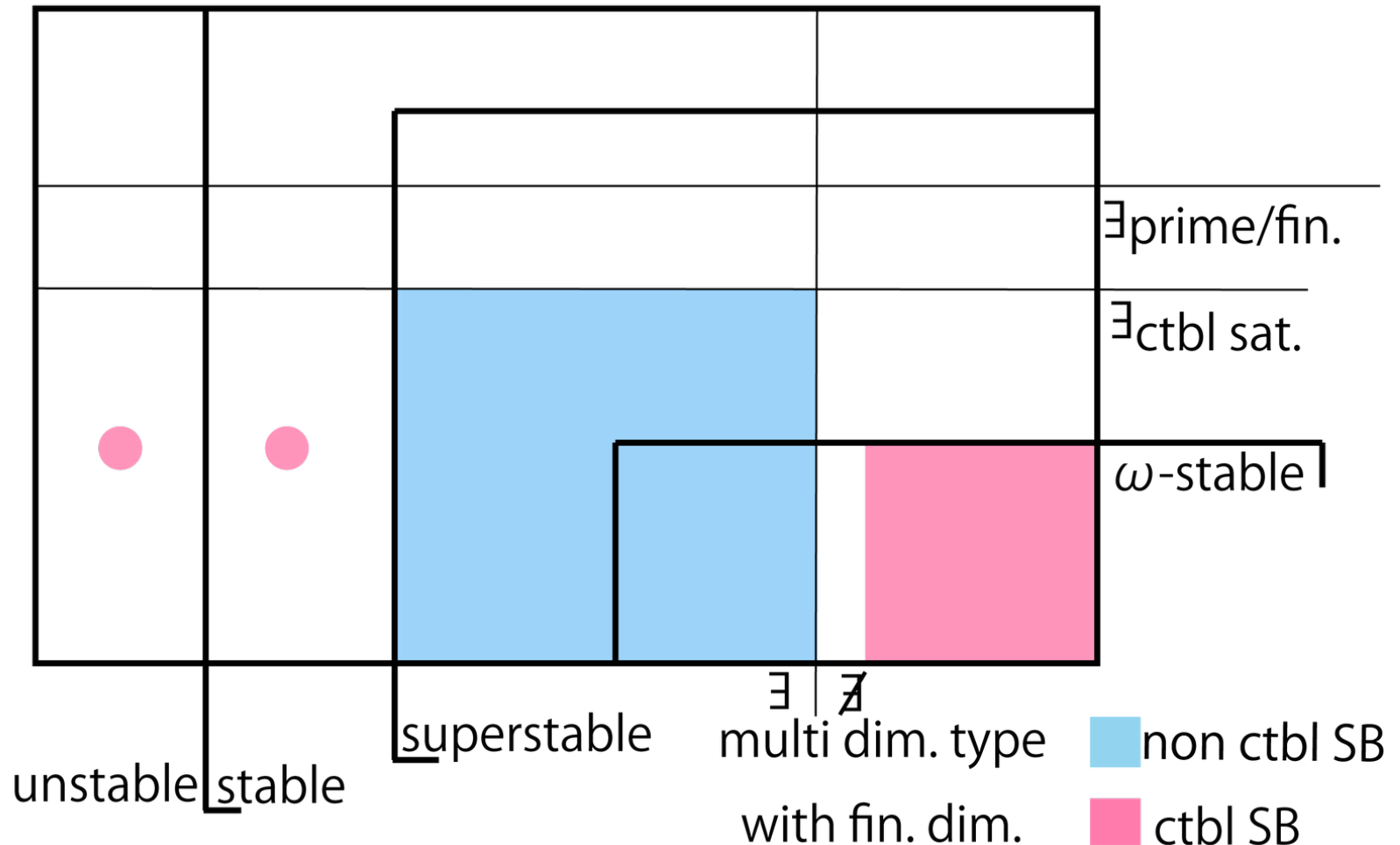
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Prop.10.(A.Tsuboi)

Superstable small theories with a multi dim'l type, which has finite dim'l in some model, do not have ctbl SB.

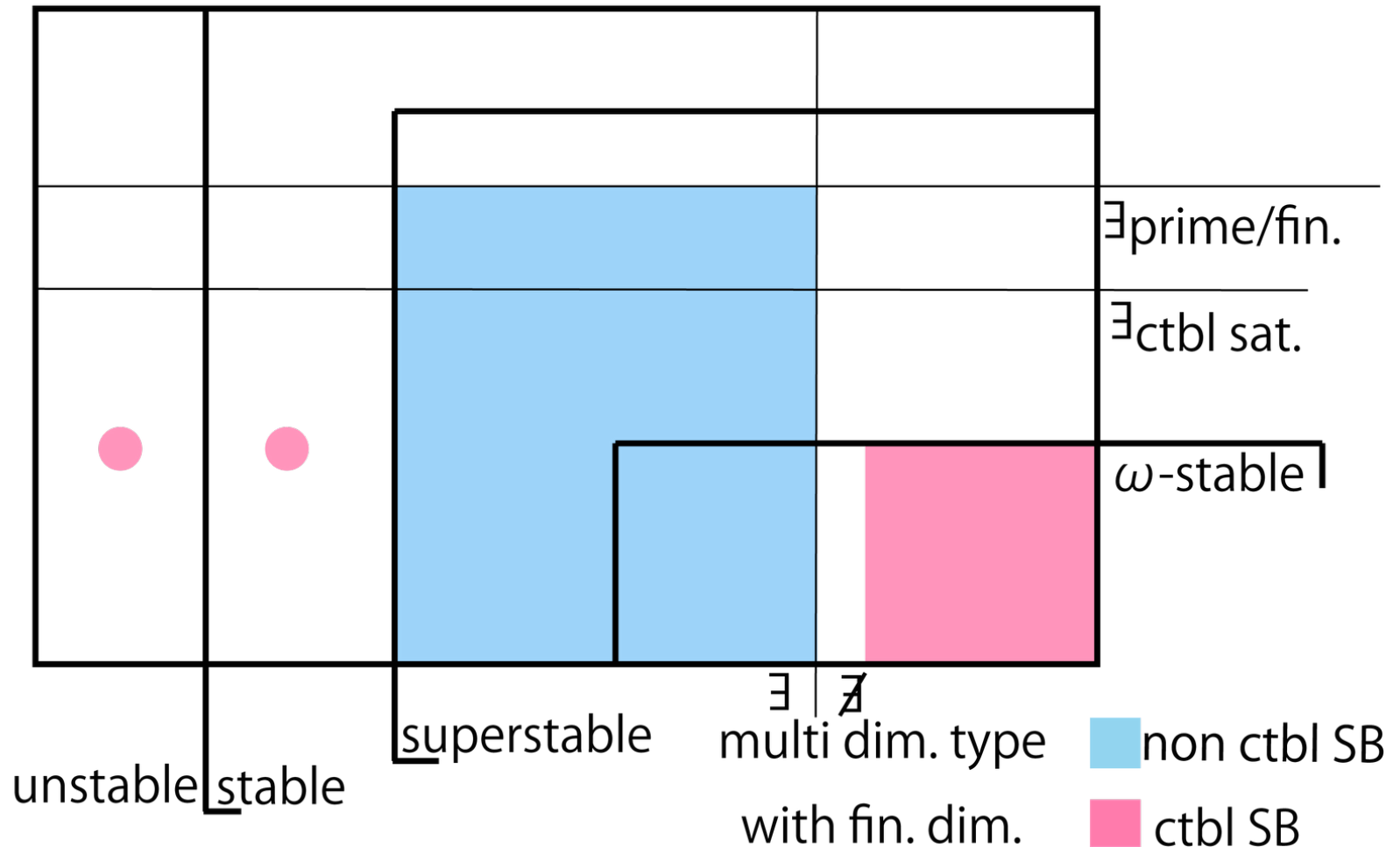
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Prop.11.(T.)

Superstable theories, which have prime model over any finite set, with a multi dim'l type ... do not have ctbl SB.

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Further preliminaries for prop.11.

Notation.

$p \in S(a), a \equiv b \rightarrow p_b \in S(b)$ means copy of p .

Def.12.

p is a multi dimensional type
if $p \perp \emptyset$.

Precious statement of prop.11.

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Let T be a superstable countable theory which has prime models over each finite set.

Suppose T has a multi dimensional type with finite dimension for some model of T .

Then T does not have ctbl SB.

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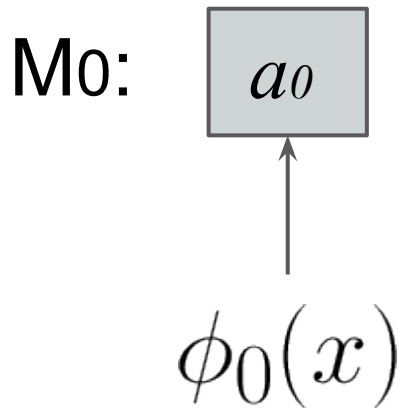
we need two models of T which elementary bi-embeddable and non isomorphic.

Outline of Proof :

We construct two models by back and forth argument and downward Lowenheim-Skolem argument.

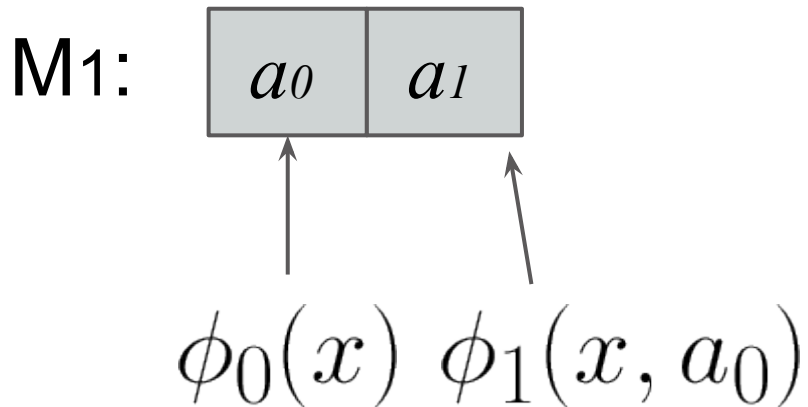
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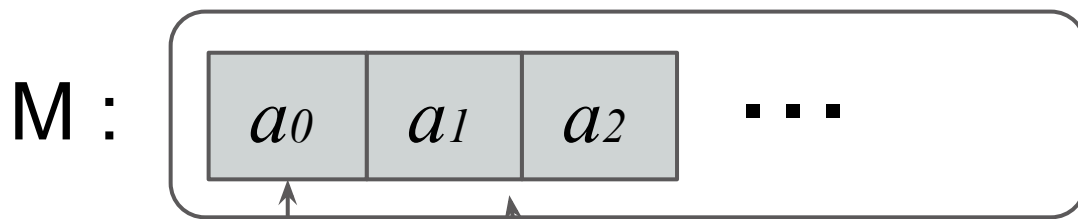
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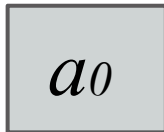
$\phi_0(x)$ $\phi_1(x, a_0)$

$$|M| = \omega, M \models T$$

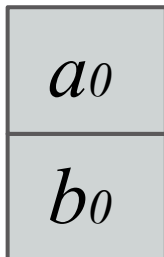
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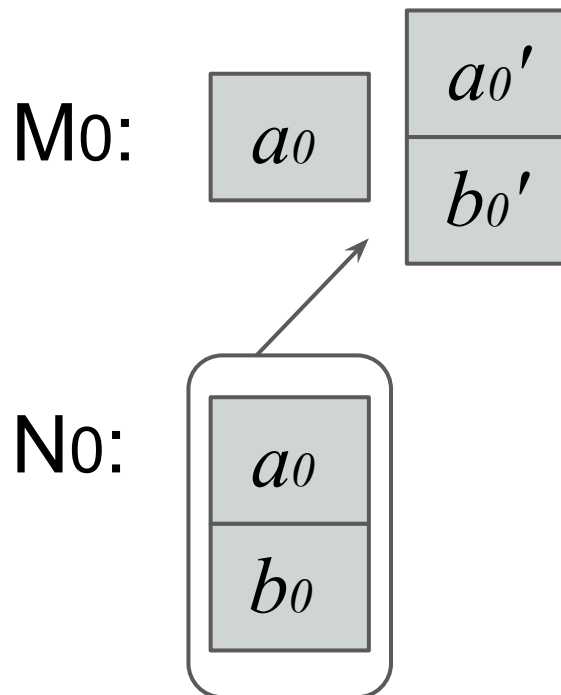


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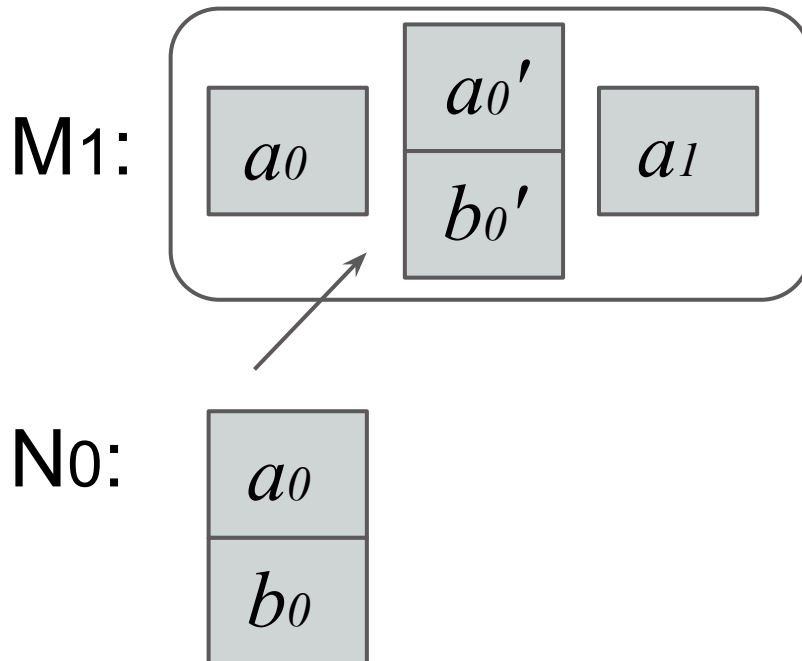
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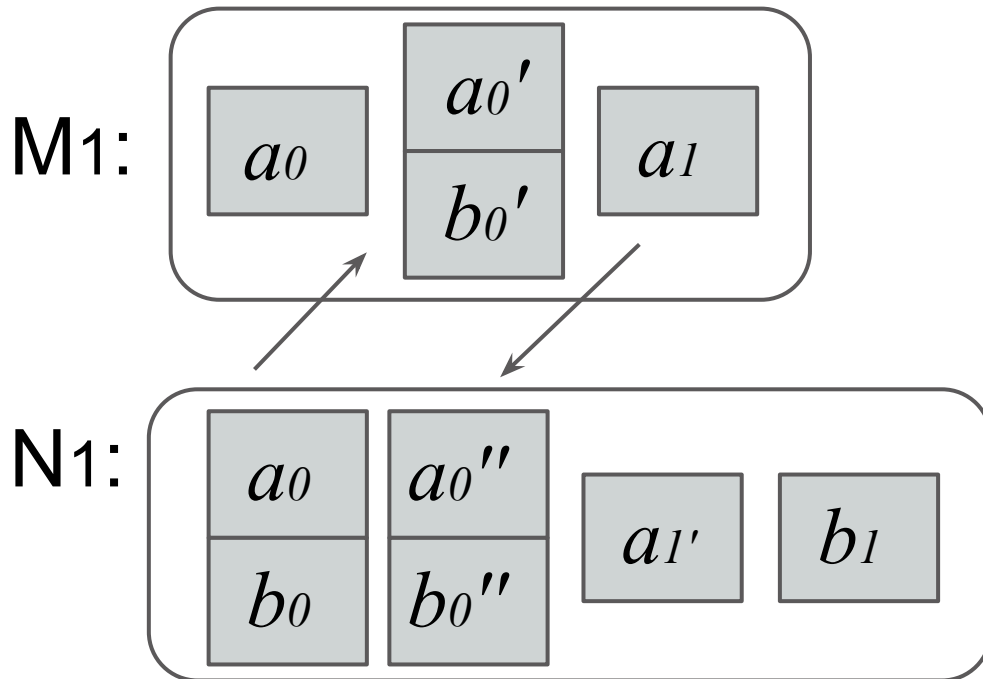
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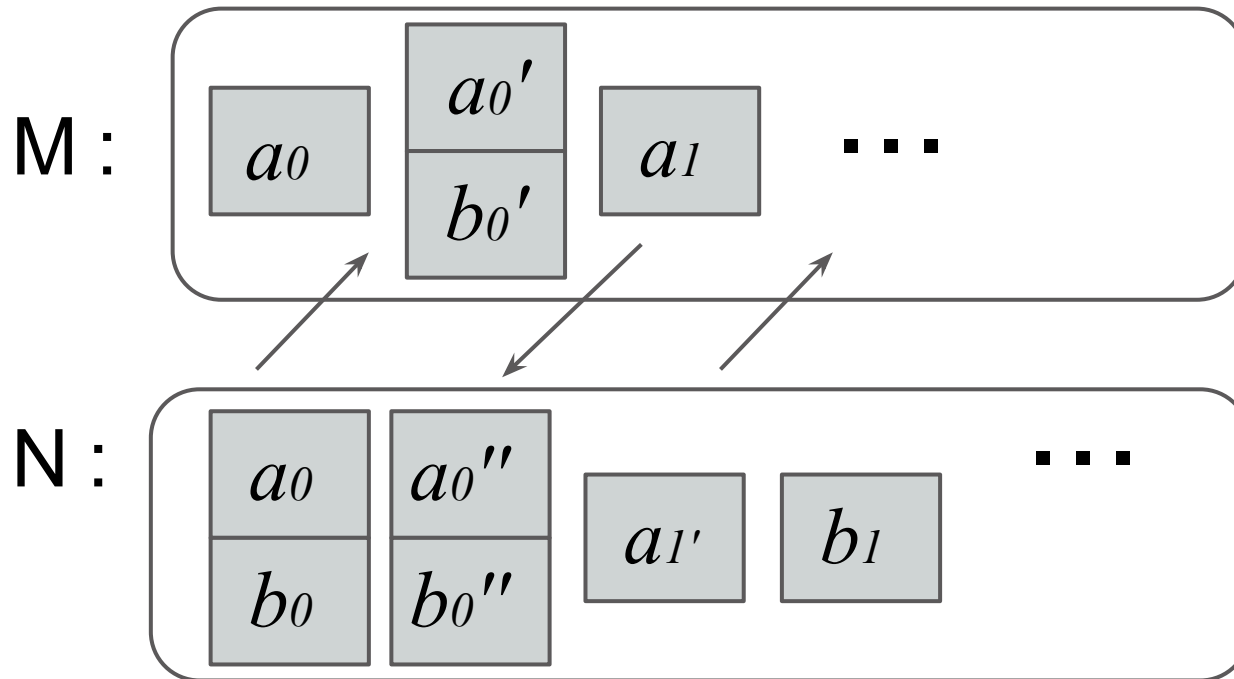
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$$M \prec N,$$
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Outline of Proof :

Let p in $S(a)$ be a multi dimensional regular type with finite dimension in some model.

To make a gap of models M, N , in each step,

1. we increase dimension in M of p_b for each b in M , which equivalent to a ;
2. we preserve dimension in N of p .

Then $\dim(M, p_b) = \omega$ and $\dim(N, p) < \omega$.

$$M \not\cong N$$

Proof of prop.11.

Let p in $S(a)$ be a multi dimensional regular type with finite dimension in some model.

We will define tuples $\langle M_l, N_l, f_l \rangle_{l \in \omega}$.

M_l, N_l are finite fragments of models.

$f_l : N_{l-1} \rightarrow M_l$ is an elementary map.

(0). $N_{l-1} = M_0 = \emptyset, N_0 = \{a\}$

$M_l \subset M_{l+1}, \dots, f_l \subset f_{l+1}$

Proof of prop.11.

Induction hypothesis of $\langle M_l, N_l, f_l \rangle_{l \in \omega}$:

(1). $a \downarrow M_l, N_l = aM_l\bar{c}$

where $tp(\bar{c}/M_la)$ is isolated.

(2).there exists a realization of $p_b|^{M_l}$ in M_{l+1}
for each $b \in M_l$ with $a \equiv b$.

Proof of prop.11.

▪ Construction of M_{l+1} :
Let M_{l+1} be $M_l \bar{d} \bar{e}$ with witness of some fml,
where

(1-1). \bar{d} is a tuple of realizations of
 $\{p_b : M_l \in b, a \equiv b\}$ satisfying $\bar{d} \downarrow_{M_l} a$.

(1-2). \bar{e} is a tuple satisfying $\bar{e} \downarrow_{M_l \bar{d}} a$ and

$$tp(\bar{e}, f_l(N_{l-1})) = tp(N_l - N_{l-1}, N_{l-1}).$$

Proof of prop.11.

- Checking ind. hyp. for M_{l+1} :
By (1-1), ind. hyp. of (2) holds.
By (1-1),(1-2) and taking witness of a fml to be independently, we get $a \downarrow M_{l+1}$.
 - Construction of f_{l+1} :
Let f_{l+1} be $f_l \cup \langle N_l - N_{l-1}, \bar{e} \rangle$.
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Proof of prop.11.

• Construction of N_{l+1} :

By ind. hyp. of (2), $N_l = aM_l\bar{c}$.

By fixing construction of M_{l+1} , we may assume that $tp(\bar{c}/aM_{l+1})$ is isolated.

We can take a realization c' of some fml such that $tp(\bar{c}c'/aM_{l+1})$ is isolated.

So let N_{l+1} be $aM_{l+1}\bar{c}c'$.

Clearly, ind.hyp. (2) holds.

Proof of prop.11.

$$M = \cup_l M_l, N = \cup_l N_l, f = \cup_l f_l$$

Then M, N are countable models of T which are elementary bi-embeddable.

Clearly $\dim(M, p_b) = \omega$ for each $b \in M$ s.t. $a \equiv b$

Proof of prop.11.

We will show $\dim(N, p) < \omega$.

We may assume $\dim(M[a], p) = 0$ where $M[a]$ is a prime model over a .

Suppose $\exists i \in N, i \models p$. So there is l s.t. $i \in N_l$.
Since $N_l = aM_l\bar{c}$, $tp(i/aM_l)$ is isolated.

Then $i \not\downarrow_a M_l$ because $\dim(M[a], p) = 0$ and the open mapping theorem.

Proof of prop.11.

On the other hand, $i \downarrow_a M_l$ follows from $p \perp \emptyset$ and $a \downarrow M_l$.

This is a contradiction. So $\nexists i \in N, i \models p$ i.e.
 $\dim(N, p) = 0$.

Then $M \not\cong N$.

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