

Part 1. Beginning

1. PROPERTIES

Definition 1. A (non-trivial) property of linear orders is a (non-trivial) class of linear orders, closed under isomorphism.

If the property \mathbf{P} holds for a linear order L , we write $L \models \mathbf{P}$.

Definition 2. A non-trivial property \mathbf{P} is an additive property if for every two linear orders I and J , I and J satisfy \mathbf{P} if and only if $I + J$ satisfies \mathbf{P} .

Observation 1. Let \mathbf{P} be an additive property.

Then,

- (1) $1 \models \mathbf{P}$
- (2) If $J \subseteq I$ is a subinterval and $I \models \mathbf{P}$ then $J \models \mathbf{P}$.

Definition 3. A non-trivial property \mathbf{P} is a monotone property if for every linear order I and every $J \subseteq I$, if I satisfies \mathbf{P} then J satisfies \mathbf{P} .

Definition 4. Let I be a linear order.

I is called $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ if every bounded subinterval of I satisfies the property \mathbf{P} .

Definition 5. A non-trivial property \mathbf{P} is a star property if for every linear order L and every family \mathcal{F} of \mathbf{P} -intervals of L such that $\bigcap \mathcal{F} \neq \emptyset$. Then $\bigcup \mathcal{F}$ is a \mathbf{P} .

Lemma 1. Every $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ property is a star property.

Let $I = \bigcup \mathcal{F}$. Since $\bigcap \mathcal{F} \neq \emptyset$, it follows that I is an interval. Let $w \in \bigcap \mathcal{F}$ be a common point.

Suppose $x_1 \in F_1 \in \mathcal{F}$ and $x_2 \in F_2 \in \mathcal{F}$. Then $[x_1, w] \subseteq F_1$ and $[w, x_2] \subseteq F_2$. Those intervals satisfy \mathbf{P} and thus $[x_1, x_2]$ satisfies \mathbf{P} as it is either their sum or difference.

Corollary 1. Let L be a linear order.

Every point in L is contained in a largest (in L) $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ interval.

Proof. The union of all $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ intervals containing x is again a $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ interval containing x by the star lemma. \square

Corollary 2. Let L be a linear order and α be an ordinal.

If I and J are largest $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ intervals, then $I \cap J = \emptyset$ or $I = J$.

Proof. Suppose $I \cap J \neq \emptyset$. Then they are both the largest $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ interval containing some $w \in I \cap J$. Thus, $I = J$. \square

Definition 6. Let L be a linear order. We define the relation $\sim_{\mathbf{P}}$ on L as follows:

We say that $x \sim_{\mathbf{P}} y$ if and only if they are contained in the same largest $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ interval.

The equivalence classes are precisely those largest $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ intervals.

Definition 7. Let I be an interval and α be an ordinal. I is called right-extensible $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ if $I + 1$ is $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$.

Similarly, I is called left-extensible $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ if $1 + I$ is $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$.

Lemma 2. Let I_1, I_2 be two intervals. Then the following are equivalent:

- (1) $I_1 + I_2$ is $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$

- (2) $I_1 + 1$ and $1 + I_2$ are $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$
 (3) $I_1 + 1 + I_2$ is $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$

Proof. Obviously if $I_1 + I_2$ is $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$, then $I_1 + 1$ and $1 + I_2$ are $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$, as they are subintervals of $I_1 + I_2$. So 1 implies 2.

Since $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ is a star property, 2 implies 3.

Now, as $I_1 + I_2$ is a union of a finite number of intervals of $I_1 + 1 + I_2$, 3 implies 1. \square

Lemma 3. *Let L be any linear order and α be an ordinal.*

Then there exists some linear order γ and a decomposition $L = \sum_{i \in \gamma} L_i$ such that each L_i is $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$, and if i' is the successor of i in γ , then it can't be the case that both L_i is right-extensible $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ and that $L_{i'}$ is left-extensible $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$.

Proof. Let $\gamma = L / \sim_{\mathbf{P}}$. Then $L = \sum_{i \in \gamma} L_i$, and each L_i is largest $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$. In particular, $L_i + L_{i'}$ is not $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ for i and i' such that i' is the successor of i in γ . That means that it can't be the case that both L_i is right-extensible $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$ and that $L_{i'}$ is left-extensible $\sigma - \mathbf{P}$. \square

2. HAUSDORFF RANK

Definition 8. *Let L be a linear order. Let \mathbf{Q} be an additive property.*

We define the \mathbf{Q} -Hausdorff rank $\mathbf{rank}(L)$ as follows:

We define $\mathbf{rank}(L) \leq 0$ iff L is finite.

We define $\mathbf{rank}(L) \leq \alpha$ for $\alpha > 0$ iff

$L = \sum_{i \in \gamma} L_i$ where γ satisfies \mathbf{Q} , and for all $i \in \gamma$, $\mathbf{rank}(L_i) < \alpha$.

This is called a γ -decomposition of L or a \mathbf{Q} -decomposition of L .

$\mathbf{rank}(L) = \alpha$ if α is the least ordinal such that $\mathbf{rank}(L) \leq \alpha$.

If $\mathbf{rank}(L) \leq \alpha$ does not hold for any ordinal α , then we write $\mathbf{rank}(L) = \perp$.

Claim 1. *For every ordinal α , the property $\mathbf{rank}(\cdot) \leq \alpha$ is additive.*

Equivalently, $\mathbf{rank}(L_1 + L_2) = \max(\mathbf{rank}(L_1), \mathbf{rank}(L_2))$.

Furthermore, $\mathbf{rank}(\cdot) < \alpha$ is additive.

Proof. Since \mathbf{Q} is additive, it is obvious that $\mathbf{rank}(\cdot) \leq \alpha$ is additive. The rest follows easily. \square

Claim 2. *Let \mathbf{Q} be an MSO-definable additive property, monotone property.*

Let α be an ordinal.

Then the property $\mathbf{rank}(\cdot) \leq \alpha$ is monotone.

Proof. If $\alpha = 0$, it is obvious.

Now, suppose L is of rank $\leq \alpha$. Write $L = \sum_{i \in \gamma} L_i$ where γ satisfies \mathbf{Q} .

Let $M \subseteq L$. Let $M_i = M \cap L_i$.

Let $\gamma' = \{i \in \gamma : M_i \neq \emptyset\}$.

Then $M = \sum_{i \in \gamma'} M_i$, where $\mathbf{rank}(M_i) < \alpha$ by induction, and γ' satisfies \mathbf{Q} by monotonicity. \square

Claim 3. *Let \mathbf{Q} be an MSO-definable additive property.*

Then the property $\mathbf{rank}(\cdot) \leq m$ is MSO-definable for all $m \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof. For $m = 0$, $\mathbf{rank}(X) \leq 0$ is MSO-definable by saying that X is finite.

By induction on m , $\mathbf{rank}(\cdot) \leq m - 1$ is MSO-definable.

Then $\mathbf{rank}(X) \leq m$ is **MSO**-definable as follows: There exists a partition P of X such that some γ which has a unique representative of every P -equivalence set, satisfies **Q**. And such that every P -equivalence set has rank $\leq m - 1$. \square

Claim 4. *Let **Q** be an **MSO**-definable additive property.*

*Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let γ be a linear order satisfying **Q**. Let P_1, \dots, P_m be a partition/coloring of γ .*

Let $\tau(X_1, \dots, X_m)$ be the n -type of γ, \vec{P} .

Lemma 4. *Let L be a linear order.*

Let α be an ordinal.

Then $\mathbf{rank}(L) \leq \alpha$ if and only if there exists a γ -decomposition of L for some $\gamma \models \mathbf{Q}$, such that:

- (1) $\mathbf{rank}(L_i) = \alpha - 1$ for infinitely many $i \in \gamma$ if α is a successor ordinal
- (2) $\sup_{i \in \gamma} \mathbf{rank}(L_i) = \alpha$ if α is a limit ordinal

Theorem 1. *Let **Q** be an **MSO**-definable additive property.*

There exists a computable function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

Let $\alpha \geq f(n)$ be an ordinal. Then every linear order of rank $\geq f(n)$ is \equiv_n -equivalent to some linear order of rank α .

Equivalently, the n -types of linear orders of rank $= \alpha$ are the same for all $\alpha \geq f(n)$.

Proof. Let A_k be the set of all satisfiable n -types of rank $\leq k$.

Then A_{k+1} is the closure of A_k under **Q**-sums.

Thus, the sequence $A_0 \subseteq A_1 \subseteq \dots$ stabilizes. Let $f(n)$ be defined such that the fixed point is $A_{f(n)-1} = A_{f(n)}$.

Suppose L has rank $\beta \geq f(n)$. Write $L = \sum_{i \in \gamma} L_i$ where $\gamma \models \mathbf{Q}$ and for all $i \in \gamma$, $\mathbf{rank}(L_i) < \beta$.

Then for infinitely many $i \in \gamma$, $\mathbf{rank}(L_i) = \beta - 1$, otherwise $\mathbf{rank}(L) \leq \beta - 1$ would hold.

Therefore, we do the same: we make a sequence α_k such that $\alpha_k = \alpha - 1$ if α is a successor ordinal and $\alpha_k \rightarrow \alpha$ if α is a limit ordinal.

Then we replace every L_i in some subsequence of γ whose rank is at least $f(n)$ by some L'_i of rank α_k with the same n -type. \square

Corollary 3.

3. CONVERSION TO **MSO**

This is general.

Definition 9. **MSO**[P] is the logic of monadic second order logic with a unary second order predicate symbol P , such that $L, X := A \models P(X)$ is true if and only if A is a bounded interval which satisfies **P**.

Theorem 2. *There exists a translation which translates any formula $\varphi(\vec{X})$ in **MSO**[P], into a formula $\psi(Q, \vec{Y})$ in **MSO**, such that for every linear order L , there exists a subset $C \subseteq L$ such that,*

$$L, \vec{X} := \vec{A} \models \varphi(\vec{X}) \iff L, Q := C, \vec{Y} := \vec{B} \models \psi(Q, \vec{Y})$$

More

Definition 10. Let $\varphi(\vec{X})$ be a formula in **MSO**.

Theorem 3. Let P be the unary second order predicate symbol, where $L, A \models P(X)$ is true if and only if A is a bounded interval which satisfies **P**.

There exists a syntactical translation which translates any formula $\varphi(\vec{X})$ in **MSO**[P],

into a sentence ψ in **MSO** such that φ is true over all properly labeled linear orders, if and only if ψ is true over all linear orders

Proof. There exists a syntactical translation which translates any formula $\varphi(\vec{X})$ in **MSO**[P], to a formula $\psi'(\vec{Y})$ in **MSO**,

such that for every linear order L and any decomposition $L = \sum_{i \in \gamma} L_i$,

$$L, \vec{A} \models \varphi(\vec{X}) \iff \gamma, \vec{B} \models \psi'(\vec{Y})$$

where $B_\tau = \{i : L_i \models \tau\}$.

Let us add two symbols Z_{left} and Z_{right} to the language of **MSO**[\vec{Y}]. We define the sentence $\psi(\vec{Y}, Z_{left}, Z_{right})$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi := & \forall \vec{Y} \forall Z_{right} \forall Z_{left} \\ & \text{partition}(\vec{Y}) \wedge \neg \exists i, i'. i' = i + 1 \wedge Z_{right}(i) \wedge Z_{left}(i') \implies \psi'(\vec{Y}) \end{aligned}$$

Now we claim that

$$L, \vec{A} \models \varphi(\vec{X})$$

if and only if

$$\gamma, \vec{B}, C_{left}, C_{right} \models \psi(\vec{B}, Z_{left}, Z_{right})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} C_{left} &= \{i : L_i \text{ is left-extensible } \sigma - \mathbf{P}\} \\ C_{right} &= \{i : L_i \text{ is right-extensible } \sigma - \mathbf{P}\} \end{aligned}$$

and this is obvious.

Now, we claim even further that $\varphi(\vec{X})$ is true over all properly labeled linear orders, if and only if ψ is true over all linear orders.

Suppose ψ is true over all linear orders,

Then in particular $\psi'(\vec{B}, C_{left}, C_{right})$ is true over all the index sets of decompositions of linear orders. But as all the linear orders L can be decomposed, this implies that $\varphi(\vec{X})$ is true over all properly labeled linear orders.

For the other direction: suppose that $\varphi(\vec{X})$ is true over all properly labeled linear orders. Then in particular $\psi'(\vec{B}, C_{left}, C_{right})$ is true over all the index sets of decompositions of linear orders.

Let γ be some order. If the precondition does not hold for some choice, then we are done. Otherwise, \square

4. COMPOSITIONAL RELATION

Definition 11. Let $L = \sum_{i \in \gamma} L_i$ be a decomposition of L , where $\gamma \in \mathbf{Q}$ and for all $i \in \gamma$, $L_i \in \mathbf{P}$.

Then for all

5. HOMEWORK

5.1. **January 26.** Generalize to trees.