o-Minimality and its Variations

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Assumptions

- $\mathcal{M} = (M, <, ...)$
- < is dense, linear, without endpoints
- definability with parameters

Definition

The structure \mathcal{M} is called *o-minimal* if every definable subset of M is a finite union of singletons and open intervals with endpoints in $M_{\infty} := M \cup \{-\infty, +\infty\}.$

A theory T is called *o-minimal* if every model \mathcal{M} of T is o-minimal.

o-Minimality



The class of o-minimal structures is,

- closed under reducts (if < still remains in the language)
- closed under expansions by constants

Some o-minimal structures

- \bullet $(\mathbb{Q},<)$
- \bullet $(\mathbb{Q},<,+)$
- $\mathcal{R} = (\mathbb{R}, <, +, -, \cdot, 0, 1)$

$(\mathbb{Q}, <, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ is not o-minimal

The infinite discrete set of perfect squares is definable.

Monotonicity Theorem

Let \mathcal{M} be an o-minimal structure and $f:(a,b)\to M$ be a definable function with domain (a,b) (possibly $a=-\infty$ or $b=+\infty$). Then, there are points $a=a_0< a_1< \cdots < a_{k+1}$ s.t. for each $j=0,\ldots,k,$ $f|_{(a_j,a_{j+1})}$ is either,

- constant, or
- a strictly monotonic and continuous bijection to an interval.

Finiteness Lemma

Let $A \subseteq M^2$ be definable and suppose that for each $x \in M$ the fiber $A_x := \{y \in M | (x,y) \in A\}$ is finite. Then there is $N < \omega$ s.t. $|A_x| \leq N$ for all $x \in M$.

Applications



Corollary

Let $f:(a,b)\to M$ be definale and continuous. Then f takes a maximum and minimum value on [a,b].

Exchange Principle

Let \mathcal{M} be o-minimal. Let $b, c, a_1, \ldots, a_n \in \mathcal{M}$. If b is definable over c, a_1, \ldots, a_n , and b is not definable over a_1, \ldots, a_n , then c is definable over b, a_1, \ldots, a_n .

Question

What happens with the definable subsets of M^n ?

Notation

Given definable $X \subseteq M^n$

- $C(X) := \{f : X \to M | f \text{ is definable and continuous} \}$
- $C_{\infty}(X) := C(X) \cup \{-\infty, +\infty\}$
- for $f, g \in C_{\infty}(X)$ s.t. $(\forall \bar{x} \in X)(f(\bar{x}) < g(\bar{x}))$ then

$$(f,g)_X := \{(\bar{x},y) \in X \times M | f(\bar{x}) < y < g(\bar{x})\}$$

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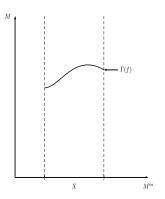


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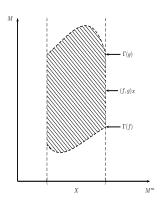


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- a $(i_1, \ldots, i_{n-1}, 1)$ -cell is the set $(f, g)_X$ where X is a (i_1, \ldots, i_{n-1}) -cell and $f, g \in C_{\infty}(X)$



Decompositions

A decomposition of M^n is a partition of M^n into finitely many cells. It is defined recursively.

 \bullet A decomposition of M is a collection,

$$\{(-\infty, a_1), (a_1, a_2), \dots, (a_k, +\infty), \{a_1\}, \dots, \{a_k\}\}$$

where $a_1 < \ldots < a_k$ are points in M;

• a decomposition of M^{n+1} is a finite partition of M^{n+1} into cells C s.t. the set of projections $\pi(C)$ is a decomposition of M^n .

A decomposition \mathcal{D} of M^n is said to partition a set $S \subseteq M^n$ if S is a union of cells in \mathcal{D} .

Uniform Finiteness Property

Let $Y \subseteq M^{n+1}$ be definable and also for every $\bar{x} \in M^n$,

$$Y_{\bar{x}} := \{ r \in M | (\bar{x}, r) \in Y \}$$

is finite. Then there exists $N < \omega$ s.t. $Y_{\bar{x}} \leq N$ for all $\bar{x} \in M^n$.

Cell Decomposition Theorem

- Given any definable sets $A_1, \ldots, A_k \subseteq M^n$ there is a decomposition of M^n partitioning each of A_1, \ldots, A_k .
- ② For each definable function $f: A \to M$, $A \subseteq M^n$, there is a decomposition \mathcal{D} of M^n partitioning A s.t. the restriction $f|B: B \to M$ to each cell $B \in \mathcal{D}$ with $B \subseteq A$ is continuous.

Applications



Theorem

If \mathcal{M} is an o-minimal structure, the $\mathrm{Th}(\mathcal{M})$ is an o-minimal theory.

Proof...