

## FINITE STRUCTURES

A SIMPLE LIE GEOMETRY  $L$  is either

- ① a WEAK linear geometry of any type other than Polar or quadratic;
- ② The projectivisation of something in ①;
- ③ The affine or quadratic part of a geometry.

(we are  
not naming  
field)

A COORDINATIZING STRUCTURE of type  $(e, K)$  and dimension  $d$  is a structure  $C$  with transitive automorphism group and an  $\text{Aut}(C)$ -invariant equivalence relation with  $e < \infty$  many classes s.t. each class is associated with a simple Lie geometry  $L$  of dimension  $d$  over a finite field  $K$  (we may associate to  $C$  also the type of the geometry).

$C$  is PROPER if each equivalence class of  $C$  as a geometry is canonically embedded in  $C$  (i.e. the automorphism group induced on each class is dense in the automorphism group of the associated geometry and equal to it if  $d$  is finite)

$C$  finite dimensional is SEMI-PROPER if  $\text{Aut}(C)$  induces on each class a subgroup  $G \leq \text{Aut}(L)$  containing  $\text{Aut}(L)^{(\infty)}$

(so close enough to  $\text{Aut}(L)$ , and in particular a classical group).  $\text{PSL}(k,d) \leq \text{PGL}(kd) \leq \text{PTL}(k,d)^{(\infty)}$

- EXAMPLES:
- Basic projective space of dim  $d$  over  $K$  is a  $\nsubseteq$  semi-proper coord. structure of type  $(1, K)$  ad dim  $d$  with  $L$  the weak proj. space
  - A weak polar geom. is a proper coord. structure with  $e = 2$ .

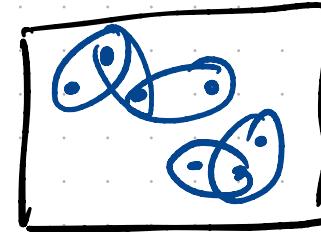
Let  $C$  be a coordinatising structure of type  $(e, K)$  and  $\dim d$ .  
 Let  $\tau$  be a type over  $\emptyset$  of a finite algebraically closed subset  
 $A \subseteq C$ . The GRASSMANIAN  $\Gamma(C, \tau)$  is the set of  
 realisations of  $\tau$  in  $C$  with the structure induced by  $C$ .  
 We say it is of type  $(e, K, \tau)$  and dimension  $d$ .

EXAMPLE:  $C$  = a degenerate space of size  $d = \{1, \dots, d\}$

$\tau_k$  = type of a  $k$ -element subset of  $C$ .

$\Gamma(C, \tau_k) \cong J(d, k)$  the Johnson graph  
 domain:  $k$ -element subsets of  $d$

Relations:  $= S_i(x, y)$  for  $i \leq k$  saying  $|x \cap y| = i$ .



$C$

**FACT 3.3.3 [KLM]**  $\forall K \exists n_K$  s.t. for any primitive  
 structure  $M$  of order at least  $n_K$ , if  $M$  has at most  $K$   
 4-types, then  $M$  is isomorphic to a semi-proper Grassmannian  
 of type  $(e, K, \tau)$  with  $e, |K|, |\tau| \leq K$ .

- KLM does this for 5. See [M. 1997] for 4. False for 3.

## Internally finite structures

$L :=$  a finite language (also works with  $L$  a recursive set).

$T :=$  an  $L$ -theory

Coding  $L$ -formulas in  $\omega$  (by Gödel numbering) we can view  $L$  and  $T$  as  $\emptyset$ -definable sets in  $(V, \in)$

Work in non-standard extension  $(V^*, \in) \succ (V, \in)$  with non-standard natural numbers.

We will work with an internally finite structure  $M$  which internally is an  $L$ -structure

(i.e.  $(V^*, \in) \vdash "M \text{ is an } L\text{-structure}"$ )

but externally is an  $L_0$ -structure (where  $L \subseteq L_0$ )

$M^*$  is the structure with the same domain as  $M$  whose atomic relation symbols are the names of the relations with finitely many variables defined on  $M$  by  $L_0$ -formulas

(say  $L^*$  is the language of  $M^*$ )

So, we have:

$(M; L_0) \rightsquigarrow V^*$  believes this is an  $L$ -structure

↓ reduct (loose  $L_0$ -forms with inf. many (but internally fin many) variables)  
loose variables with non-standard indices

$(M^*, L^*) \rightsquigarrow V^*$  does not see  $L^*$  as a language.

↓ reduct (we can view  $L \subseteq L^* \subseteq L_0$  since its atomic symbols were coded by natural numbers)

$(M, L)$

IDEA:  $(V^*, L^*)$  has a lot more information than  $(M, L)$

## EXAMPLE:

For now, let  $M_n$ : path  $\vdash \circ \cdots \circ \dashv_n$  in language  $L = L_n = \{E\}$

Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a non-principal ultrafilter on  $\omega$ .

Now, consider each  $(M_n, L_n)$  inside  $\mathbb{N}_n$  (copy of  $\mathbb{N}$ ) in a copy  $V_n$  of  $V$

$$V^* = \prod V_n / \mathcal{U} \quad M = \prod M_n / \mathcal{U}$$

Now,

$m \in \langle {}^{m^\omega} \mid n / \omega \rangle / \mathcal{U}$  is internally an  $L$ -formula if

$\{n \in \omega \mid V_n \models "m_n \text{ is an } L\text{-formula}"\} \in \mathcal{U} \Leftrightarrow$  gives us  $L_0$

$V^* \models "m \models_m"$  iff  $\{n \in \omega \mid V_n \models (M_n \models_{m_n})\} \in \mathcal{U}$

$\uparrow$   
 $L_0$ -formula

① we get  $L_0$ -formulas in non-standardly many variables

$$\left\langle \bigwedge_{i < j < n} x_i \neq x_j \mid n \in \omega \right\rangle / \mathcal{U}$$

② We get  $L$ -formulas describing " $x$  and  $y$  are at distance  $n$ " for  $n$  non-standard:

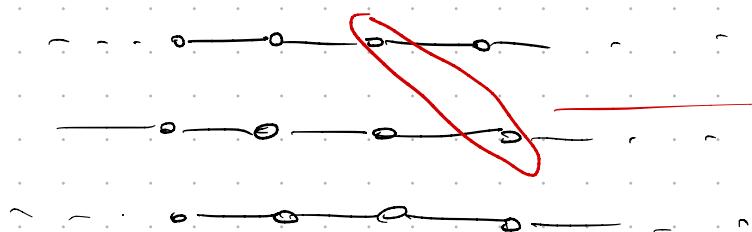
$$\left\langle D_n(x, y) \mid n \in \omega \right\rangle / \mathcal{U}$$

$\nwarrow$   
 $x$  and  $y$  are at distance  $n$

③ we still have  $L$ -formulas inside of  $L_0$  (identified with constant sequences).

When moving from  $L_0$  to  $L^*$  we kill formulas of the form ①  
but preserve formulas of the form ② and ③

$$\text{So, } \text{Aut}(M, L_0) \leq \text{Aut}(M^*, L^*) \leq \text{Aut}(M, L)$$



$M^*$   
keeps track of non-standard distances between points

Why use this setting?

Let  $M$  be an  $L$ -structure

①  $M$  is  $K$ -quasifinite if in a non-standard extension  $(V^*, \epsilon) \succ (V, \epsilon)$  it is elementarily equivalent to an internally finite model with finitely many internal  $K$ -types.

Issue:  $M$  may not even be a structure in  $V^*$

I think they mean: there is an int. finite model  $M_0$  with fin. many internal  $K$ -types s.t. externally we see  $M \equiv M_0 \upharpoonright L$

②  $M$  is quasifinite if in a non-standard  $(V^*, \epsilon) \succ (V, \epsilon)$  it is elementarily equivalent (in the original language  $L$ ) to an internally finite  $L_0$ -structure with finitely many internal  $K$ -types for all  $K$ .

③ M is STRONGLY quasifinite if in a non-standard  $(V^*, \epsilon) \succ (V, \epsilon)$  it is elementarily equivalent (in original language L) to an internally finite  $L_\omega$ -structure with a finite number of internal K-types, which coincide with K-types for all K.

At the end of this chapter we will have proved:

M is Lie coordinatizable iff M is strongly quasifinite

We also have finitary re-phasings:

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (b') by contrapositive

(b')  $\Rightarrow$  M is pseudofinite  
 $\Rightarrow$  (b)

- (a) A structure  $\mathcal{M}$  is  $k$ -quasifinite if and only if there is a finite number  $N$  such that for an arbitrary sentence  $\varphi$  true in  $\mathcal{M}$ , there is a finite structure  $\mathcal{N}$  satisfying  $\varphi$  in which there are at most  $N$  formulas in  $k$  free variables.
- (b') A structure  $\mathcal{M}$  is quasifinite if and only if there is a function  $\nu : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that for any  $n$  and an arbitrary sentence  $\varphi$  true in  $\mathcal{M}$ , there is a finite structure  $\mathcal{N}$  satisfying  $\varphi$  in which there are at most  $\nu(k)$  formulas in  $k$  free variables for  $k \leq n$ .

(c) A structure  $\mathcal{M}$  is STRONGLY quasifinite if there is a function  $\nu : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{ \text{finite sets of } L\text{-formulas} \}$  s.t. for any  $n$  and arbitrary sentence  $\varphi$  true in  $\mathcal{M}$ , there is a finite structure  $\mathcal{N}$  satisfying  $\varphi$  and s.t. the formulas in  $\mathcal{N}$  in  $k$ -many variables are contained in  $\nu(k)$ .

Note: quasifinite  $\Rightarrow$  pseudofinite and  $\omega$ -categorical