# On ultraproducts of o-minimal structures

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#### 概要

**abstract** We consider about ultraproducts of o-minimal structures. Such structures are definably complete locally o-minimal. We try to characterize them.

### 1. Introduction

At first we recall some definitions and fundamental facts.

**Definition 1.** Let M be a densely linearly ordered structure without endpoints.

M is o-minimal if every definable subset of  $M^1$  is a finite union of points and intervals.

M is locally o-minimal if for any element  $a \in M$  and any definable subset  $X \subset M^1$ , there is an open interval  $I \subset M$  such that  $I \ni a$  and  $I \cap X$  is a finite union of points and intervals.

M is uniformly locally o-minimal if for any formula  $\varphi(x,\bar{y})$  over  $\emptyset$  and any  $a \in M$ , there is an open interval  $I \ni a$  such that  $I \cap \varphi(M,\bar{b})$  is a finite union of points and intervals for any  $\bar{b} \in M^n$  where  $\varphi(M,\bar{b})$  is the realization set of  $\varphi(x,\bar{b})$  in M.

M is definably complete if any definable subset X of  $M^1$  has the supremum and infimum in  $M \cup \{\pm \infty\}$ .

## Example 2. [1], [2]

 $(\mathbb{R},+,<,\mathbb{Z})$  where  $\mathbb{Z}$  is the interpretation of a unary predicate, and  $(\mathbb{R},+,<,\sin)$  are definably complete locally o-minimal structures.

**Fact 3.** [1] Definably complete local o-minimality is preserved under elementary equivalence.

Thus we argue in a sufficiently large saturated model  $\mathcal{M}$ .

We recall the definition of ultraproduct. In this note, we consider ultraproducts of structures only and ultrafilters are always nonprincipal.

**Definition 4.** Let I be an infinite set and  $\mathcal{U}$  be a nonprincipal ultrafilter over I. And let  $M_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) be structures of some fixed language L. Consider the equivalence relation  $\equiv_{\mathcal{U}}$  on the Cartesian product  $C = \prod_{i \in I} M_i$  such that for  $f, g \in C$ ,  $f \equiv_{\mathcal{U}} g$  if and only if  $\{i \in I : f(i) = g(i)\} \in \mathcal{U}$ .

We define the ultraproduct of  $M_i$  modulo  $\mathcal{U}$  be the set of all equivalence classes of  $\equiv_{\mathcal{U}}$ , that is,

$$\prod_{i \in I} M_i / \mathcal{U} = \{ f_{\mathcal{U}} : f \in \prod_{i \in I} M_i \}.$$

And we recall a fundamental theorem i.e. Loś' theorem.

**Theorem 5.** Let N be an ultraproduct  $\prod_{i \in I} M_i / \mathcal{U}$  and let I be the index set. Then;

- (i) For any term  $t(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  of a language L and elements  $f_{\mathcal{U}}^1, \dots, f_{\mathcal{U}}^n \in N$ , we have  $t_N[f_{\mathcal{U}}^1, \dots, f_{\mathcal{U}}^n] = \langle t_{M_i}[f^1(i), \dots, f^n(i)] : i \in I \rangle_{\mathcal{U}}$ .
- (ii) Given any formula  $\varphi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  of L and  $f_{\mathcal{U}}^1, \dots, f_{\mathcal{U}}^n \in N$ , we have  $N \models \varphi[f_{\mathcal{U}}^1, \dots, f_{\mathcal{U}}^n]$  if and only if  $\{i \in I : M_i \models \varphi[f^1(i), \dots, f^n(i)]\} \in \mathcal{U}$ .
- (iii) For any sentence  $\varphi$  of L,  $N \models \varphi$  if and only if  $\{i \in I : M_i \models \varphi\} \in \mathcal{U}$ .

We try to characterize ultraproducts of locally o-minimal structures. At first we consider about ultraproducts of o-minimal structures.

We verify some elementary facts.

Fact 6. There are ultraproducts of o-minimal structures which are not o-minimal.

However ultraproducts of o-minimal structures are locally o-minimal, and definably complete, and infinite 1-types are complete by order formulas, that is,

Let M be a model and  $\phi(x, \bar{m}) \in L(M)$  be a one-variable formula. Then there is  $b \in M$  such that either for any c > b,  $M \models \phi(c, \bar{m})$  or for any c > b,  $M \models \neg \phi(c, \bar{m})$  (it is also true for the lower side).

Some people call these property DCTC, that is, definably complete and type complete (they contain local o-minimality in TC).

I show a poor example.

**Example 7.** Let L be the language of ordered fields together with a unary predicate P(x). Each L(P)-structure  $M_n = (\mathbb{R}, \{0, 1, \dots, n\})$  is o-minimal, but their ultraproducts  $M_{\mathcal{U}} = (\mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{U}}, \mathbb{N}_{\mathcal{U}})$  is not o-minimal.

We recall some notations and facts.

**Definition 8.** Let L be a language containing a binary predicate < to be interpreted as a dense linear order.

Some people call ultraproducts of o-minimal structures ultra-o-minimal structure.

And they call an L-structure M pseudo-o-minimal if it is a model of  $T^{omin}(L)$ , that is, the collection of L-sentences that hold true in every o-minimal L-structure.

A.Rennet showed that  $T^{omin}$  is strictly strong than DCTC in [4].

## 2. Structural complexity in ultraproducts of o-minimal structures

At first we recall characterization by H.Schoutens. Before that, we recall some definitions from [15].

**Definition 9.** Let M be an o-minimal structure.

We define the dimension of a nonempty definable set  $X \subset M^m$  by

$$dim X = max\{i_1 + \dots + i_m : X \text{ contains an } (i_1, \dots, i_m)\text{-cell}\}.$$

We assign to each cell C of dimension d the integer  $E(C) = (-1)^d$ , and given a finite partition  $\mathcal{P}$  of a definable set  $S \subset M^m$  into cells, we put

$$E_{\mathcal{P}}(S) = \sum_{C \in \mathcal{P}} E(C) = k_0 - k_1 + \dots + (-1)^d k_d + \dots + (-1)^m k_m$$

where  $k_d$  is the number of d-dimensional cells in  $\mathcal{P}$ .

We call  $E_{\mathcal{P}}(S)$  (E(S)) Euler characteristic of S.

**Theorem 10.** [3] For an ultra-o-minimal structure  $\prod_{i\in I} M_i/\mathcal{U}$  given as the ultraproduct of o-minimal structures  $M_i$ , a necessary and sufficient condition to be o-minimal is that for each formula  $\varphi$  without parameters, there exists an  $N_{\varphi} \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|E_{M_i}(\varphi)| \leq N_{\varphi}$  for almost all i.

(In the above, we take absolute values for cells).

Next example by A.Fornasiero is known as that of locally o-minimal structure which has the independence property. This structure is an ultraproducts of o-minimal fields expanded by a binary relation.

#### **Example 11.** [8]

There is an ultraproduct of o-minimal structures which has the independence property.

In the summer meeting of model theory this year, I referred to an example of ultraproduct of o-minimal structures that has the tree property of the second kind. After that, A.Tsuboi suggested a more applicable example. We verify his proof here.

**Definition 12.** A formula  $\phi(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  has  $TP_2$ , that is, the tree property of the second kind if there is an array  $(\bar{a}_{t,i})_{t,i<\omega}$  such that ;

$$\{\phi(\bar{x}, \bar{a}_{t,i})\}_{i<\omega}$$
 is k-inconsistent for every  $t<\omega$  and,  $\{\phi(\bar{x}, \bar{a}_{t,f(t)})\}_{t<\omega}$  is consistent for any  $f:\omega\longrightarrow\omega$ .

**Lemma 13.** Let  $\mathcal{M} = (M, <, \cdots)$  be o-minimal and let  $X \subset M^n$  be a finite set. Then  $\mathcal{M}_X = (M, <, \cdots, X)$  is o-minimal where X is an interpretation of a predicate symbol. Proof;

For  $X \subset M^n$ , choose  $a_1 < \cdots < a_k$  such that  $X \subset \{a_1, \cdots, a_k\}^n$ . Then X is  $\{a_1, \cdots, a_k\}$ -definable. The structure  $(M, <, \cdots, a_1, \cdots, a_k)$  is clearly o-minimal. So  $\mathcal{M}_X$  is also o-minimal.

**Proposition 14.** There is a structure M which is an ultraproduct of o-minimal structures that has the  $TP_2$ .

Proof;

We prepare a predicate symbol E(x, y, z) and constant symbols  $\{c_n\}$  ( $n \in \omega$ ). Let  $R = (R, < , \cdots)$  be an o-minimal structure where the language  $L = \{<, \cdots\}$ . For each  $n \in \omega$ , we define the expansion  $R_n$  of R whose language is the  $L_n = (L \cup \{E(x, y, z), c_0, c_1, \cdots\})$ .

Construct  $R_n$  in the following:

- (1) First, let  $D = \{ d_{\eta} \mid \eta : n \longrightarrow n \} \subset R \text{ where } d_{\eta} \neq d_{\nu} \text{ if } \eta \neq \nu.$
- (2)  $c_i^{R_n} = i \ (i \le n), c_i^{R_n} = n+1 \ (i > n) \ (for some enumeration of a subset in R_n).$
- (3)  $E(x, y, c_i)^{R_n}$  is an equivalence relation on D such that  $\models E(d_{\eta}, d_{\nu}, c_i)$  if and only if  $\eta(i) = \nu(i)$ .
  - (4)  $R_n := (R, E, c_0, c_1, \cdots).$

By the proposition above, each  $R_n$  is o-minimal, since E is satisfied by finite elements.

Now let  $R^* = \prod_{n \in \omega} R_n / \mathcal{U}$  where  $\mathcal{U}$  is a non-principal ultrafilter.

Then

- (A)  $R^*$  is a definably complete locally o-minimal structure.
- (B)  $E^{R^*}(x, y, c_i)$  ( $i < \omega$ ) are cross-cutting equivalence relations.

In  $R_n$ , we can take an array of formulas  $\{E(x, d_{\eta(i,j)}, c_i) : i, j < n\}$  satisfying that;

 $\eta$  is  $\eta: n \longrightarrow n$  and,

in the i-th row,  $\eta(i,j)(i) = j$  for j < n.

Thus in every row,  $\{E(x, d_{\eta(i,j)}, c_i) : j < n\}$  is 2-inconsistent and,

for any  $\nu : n \longrightarrow n$ ,  $\{E(x, d_{\eta(i,\nu(i))}, c_i) : i < n\}$  is consistent.

(C) Since the equivalence relation are uniformly defined,  $R^*$  has the  $TP_2$ .

The proof above suggests that we can construct ultraproducts of o-minimal structures having other properties, in particular, properties which have finite approximation.

### 3. Independence in ultraproducts of o-minimal structures

We recall some definitions at first.

**Definition 15.** Let M be a densely linearly ordered structure and  $p(x) \in S_1(M)$ .

We say that p(x) is cut(irrational) over M if for any  $a \in M$ , if  $a < x \in p(x)$ , then there is  $b \in M$  such that  $a < b < x \in p(x)$ , and similarly, if  $x < a \in p(x)$ , then there is  $c \in M$  such that  $x < c < a \in p(x)$ .

We say that  $q(x) \in S_1(M)$  is noncut (rational) over M if q(x) is not a cut type.

Here we consider nonisolated types only.

**Definition 16.** Let M be locally o-minimal and  $p(x) \in S_1(M)$  be noncut.

There are four kinds of noncut types;

 $p(x) \supset \{m < x < a : m < a \in M\}$  or  $\{a < x < m : a < m \in M\}$  for some fixed  $a \in M$ .

Here we call these types bounded noncut types of a over M.

$$p(x) \supset \{m < x : m \in M\} \text{ or } \{x < m : m \in M\}.$$

We call these types unbounded noncut types.

**Definition 17.** A formula  $\varphi(\bar{x}, \bar{a})$  divides over a set A if there is a sequence  $\{\bar{a}_i : i \in \omega\}$  with  $tp(\bar{a}_i/A) = tp(\bar{a}/A)$  such that  $\{\varphi(\bar{x}, \bar{a}_i) : i \in \omega\}$  is k-inconsistent for some  $k \in \omega$ .

A formula  $\varphi(\bar{x}, \bar{a})$  forks over A if  $\varphi(\bar{x}, \bar{a}) \vdash \bigvee_{i < n} \psi_i(\bar{x}, \bar{b}_i)$  and each  $i < n, \psi_i(\bar{x}, \bar{b}_i)$  divides over A.

We argue about forking of 1-variable types in ultraproducts of o-minimal structures.

**Fact 18.** Let  $M_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) be an o-minimal structures and let  $M_U = \prod_{i \in I} M_i / \mathcal{U}$  be an ultraproduct and  $A \subset M_U$ .

And assume that  $M_U$  is  $|A|^+$ -saturated.

Then any unbounded noncut type over  $M_U$  and bounded noncut type of a over  $M_U$  for some  $a \in A$ , does not fork over A.

**Fact 19.** Let  $M_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) be an o-minimal structures and let  $M_U = \prod_{i \in I} M_i / \mathcal{U}$  be an ultraproduct and  $A \subset M_U$ .

Assume that for almost all  $i \in I$ , there are  $c_i$ ,  $d_i \in M_i \setminus A_i$  such that  $c_i \equiv_{A_i} d_i$ .

Then  $c_{\mathcal{U}} < x < d_{\mathcal{U}}$  (or  $d_{\mathcal{U}} < x < c_{\mathcal{U}}$ ) divides over A.

And we can show the next Lemma.

**Lemma 20.** Let  $M_U = \prod_{i \in I} M_i / \mathcal{U}$  where  $M_i$   $(i \in I)$  is o-minimal and let  $A \subset B \subset M_U$ . And assume that  $M_U$  is  $|A|^+$ -saturated.

If a B-definable set  $X \subset M_U$  is cofinal in an A-definable set  $Y \subset M_U$ , then X does not fork over A.

I can show a few results about forking in ultraproducts of o-minimal structures at present.

**Problem 21.** There are many results about forking in o-minimal structures, and more generally, in dp-minimal or VC-minimal structures.

Under what conditions, and what extent do these properties reflect to forking in ultraproducts of o-minimal structures?

## 4. Ultraproducts of expanded fields

We recalled a result by H.Schoutens about the necessary and sufficient condition for ultraproducts to be o-minimal. However, it is difficult to confirm that each structure satisfies that condition.

Some people investigated ultraproducts of expanded real closed fields.

### Definition 22. [5]

Let  $R \models RCF$  and  $(f_i)_{i \in I}$  be an *I*-indexed sequence of polynomials  $f_i \in R[x]$  ( x could be a tuple ).

We consider the  $L_{RCF}(f)$ -structure consisting of  $\mathcal{R} = (R^{\mathcal{U}}, (f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}/\mathcal{U})$  where  $R^{\mathcal{U}} = \prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} R_n/\mathcal{U}$  and  $R_n$  is expanded R by  $f_n$ .

We denote  $\tilde{f}(x) = (f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}/\mathcal{U}$  and call  $\tilde{f}(x)$  a pseudopolynomial over  $R^{\mathcal{U}}$ .

And let f(x) be a function.

We say that  $\tilde{f}(x)$  is a pseudopolynomial approximation of f if for all  $x \in dom(f) \subset R$ , we have  $\tilde{f}(x) = f(x) + \epsilon_f$  for some infinitesimal function  $\epsilon_f$ .

For example, let f(x) be a real analytic function with Taylor polynomials  $(T_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  defined on the set  $dom(f)\subset\mathbb{R}$ . Then  $\tilde{f}(x)=(T_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}/\mathcal{U}$ .

In these argument, Pfaffian functions and Khovanskii's theorem about them are available.

**Definition 23.** Let R be a definably complete expansion of an ordered field.

And let  $f_i: \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$   $(i = 1, \dots, s)$  be definable function and  $\mathbb{C}^1$ .

We say that  $(f_1, \dots, f_s)$  is a  $Pfaffian\ chain\ in\ R\ of\ length\ s$  if  $\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j} \in R[\bar{x}, f_1, \dots, f_i]$  for  $i = 1, \dots, s$  and  $j = 1, \dots, n$ .

A definable function  $F=(F_1,\cdots,F_m):R^n\longrightarrow R^m$  is a  $Pfaffian\ function\ in\ R$  if  $F_l\in R[\bar x,f_1,\cdots,f_s]\ (l=1,\cdots,m)$  for some Pfaffian chain  $(f_1,\cdots,f_s)$  in R.

For example, (i)  $e^x$ , (ii)  $e^x$ ,  $e^{e^x}$ , (iii)  $(x^2+1)^{-1}$ ,  $\arctan x$  are Pfaffian chains.

All Pfaffian functions are analytic.

There is a theorem by A.Fornasiero and T.Servi [7].

**Theorem 24.** Let R be a definably complete locally o-minimal expansion (Baire expansion)

of a field by a family of Pfaffian functions.

Then R is o-minimal.

And there are results by A.Rennet [5].

**Theorem 25.** Let  $\mathcal{R} = \prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}} R_n / \mathcal{U}$  where  $R_n = \mathbb{R}$  and let  $\tilde{e^x}$  be a Taylor polynomial approximation.

Then  $(\mathcal{R}, \tilde{e^x})$  is o-minimal.

**Remark 26.** He argued by means of another approximation of  $e^x$ .

By the approximation;  $\lim_{n\to\infty} (1+x/n)^n = e^x$ , i.e.  $f_n(x) = (1+x/n)^n$  and he proved that  $(\mathcal{R}, \tilde{f})$  is o-minimal.

He also considered ultraproducts of expanded fields by iterated functions. And he put a question.

**Question 27.** If P is a pseudopolynomial approximation of any Pfaffian function, then P is also Pfaffian? and is  $(\mathcal{R}, P)$  o-minimal?

They paid attention to the fact whether constructed ultraproducts are o-minimal or not.

**Problem 28.** Can we characterize them ?

Can we characterize ultraproducts of groups, for example, that of expanded  $(\mathbb{R},+,<)$ ?

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