

# THE AKE PRINCIPLE MEETS CLASSIFICATION THEORY

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ABSTRACT. Using a type-amalgamation style criterion of NATP, we give a proof of the AKE principle for NATP in the case of equicharacteristic 0.

In [1], Ahn and Kim introduced a new dividing line, called the *antichain tree property* (ATP), and they provide a nice dichotomy for  $\text{SOP}_1$ , that is, a complete theory  $T$  is  $\text{SOP}_1$  if and only if it is  $\text{TP}_2$  or ATP as like unstability is equal to IP or TP, and TP is equal to  $\text{TP}_1$  or  $\text{TP}_2$ . So, NATP is located in the map of the universe in Model Theory as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \text{DLO} & \longrightarrow & \text{NIP} & \longrightarrow & \text{NTP}_2 & \longrightarrow & \text{NATP} \\
 & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 & & \text{Stable} & \longrightarrow & \text{Simple} & \longrightarrow & \text{NSOP}_1 \longrightarrow \text{NSOP}_2 \longrightarrow \dots
 \end{array}$$

On the other hand, one of most fundamental principles in model theory of valued fields is the *Ax-Kochen-Ershov* principle (in short, the AKE principle), roughly saying that elementary properties of unramified henselian valued fields of characteristic 0 is determined by elementary properties of its residue field and value group. In [4, 8], Ax and Kochen, and independently Ershov showed that two henselian valued fields of equicharacteristic 0 are elementary equivalent if and only if their residue fields and value groups are elementary equivalent.

In [2], we studied several basic properties of NATP, for example, witness of NATP in a single variable and the equivalence ATP and  $k$ -ATP, and provided several algebraic examples of NATP theories. Most of all, we show that the Ax-Kochen-Ershov principle for NATP in the case of equicharacteristic 0. Namely, a given henselian valued field of

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equicharacteristic 0 is NATP if and only if its residue field is NATP. In this note, we aim to give a new proof of the AKE principle for NATP in the case of equicharacteristic 0, given in [2, Theorem 3.27], via a type-amalgamation criterion of NATP ([2, Theorem 3.27]).

**Theorem 0.1.** [7, Théorème 8][5, Theorem 7.6][2, Theorem 3.27] *Let  $\mathcal{K} = (K, \Gamma, k)$  be a henselian valued field of equicharacteristic 0 in the Denef-Pas language, where  $K$  is a valued field,  $\Gamma$  is a value group, and  $k$  is a residue field.*

- (1) (Delon)  $\text{Th}(\mathcal{K})$  is NIP if and only if  $\text{Th}(k)$  is NIP.
- (2) (Chernikov)  $\text{Th}(\mathcal{K})$  is  $\text{NTP}_2$  if and only if  $\text{Th}(k)$  is  $\text{NTP}_2$ .
- (3) (Ahn-Kim-L.)  $\text{Th}(\mathcal{K})$  is NATP if and only if  $\text{Th}(k)$  is NATP.

Also, using similar methods, we can prove the AKE principle for NATP in the case of mixed characteristic in [10], and we can find several examples having NATP in [3], for example, a random parametrization of DLO is NATP, which is  $\text{TP}_2$  and SOP.

## 1. PRELIMINARIES

**1.1. Antichain tree property.** We briefly recall several notions and facts around the antichain tree property from [2].

**Notation 1.1.** Let  $\kappa$  and  $\lambda$  be cardinals.

- (1) By  $\kappa^\lambda$ , we mean the set of all functions from  $\lambda$  to  $\kappa$ .
- (2) By  $\kappa^{<\lambda}$ , we mean  $\bigcup_{i < \lambda} \kappa^i$  and call it a tree.

Let  $\eta, \nu \in \kappa^{<\lambda}$ .

- (3) By  $\eta \trianglelefteq \nu$ , we mean  $\eta \subseteq \nu$ . If  $\eta \trianglelefteq \nu$  or  $\nu \trianglelefteq \eta$ , then we say  $\eta$  and  $\nu$  are comparable.
- (4) By  $\eta \perp \nu$ , we mean that  $\eta \not\trianglelefteq \nu$  and  $\nu \not\trianglelefteq \eta$ . We say  $\eta$  and  $\nu$  are incomparable if  $\eta \perp \nu$ .
- (5) By  $\eta \wedge \nu$ , we mean the maximal  $\xi \in \kappa^{<\lambda}$  such that  $\xi \trianglelefteq \eta$  and  $\xi \trianglelefteq \nu$ .
- (6) By  $l(\eta)$ , we mean the domain of  $\eta$ .
- (7) By  $\eta <_{lex} \nu$ , we mean that either  $\eta \trianglelefteq \nu$ , or  $\eta \perp \nu$  and  $\eta(l(\eta \wedge \nu)) < \nu(l(\eta \wedge \nu))$ .
- (8) By  $\eta \widehat{\ } \nu$ , we mean  $\eta \cup \{(l(\eta) + i, \nu(i)) : i < l(\nu)\}$ .
- (9) We say a subset  $X$  of  $\kappa^{<\lambda}$  is an *antichain* if the elements of  $X$  are pairwise incomparable.

We use a language  $\mathcal{L}_0 := \{\trianglelefteq, <_{lex}, \wedge\}$  for a tree with a natural interpretation in Notation 1.1. We say that an antichain  $A$  of  $\kappa^{<\lambda}$  is *universal* if any finite antichain of  $\kappa^{<\lambda}$  is embedded into  $A$  as  $\mathcal{L}_0$ -structures.

Let  $T$  be a complete theory in a language  $\mathcal{L}$ , and let  $M$  be a monster model of  $T$ . For a tuple  $a$  of elements in  $M$  and a parameter  $A$ , we write  $\text{tp}_{\mathcal{L}}(a/A)$  for the complete type of  $a$  over  $A$  and write  $\text{qftp}_{\mathcal{L}}(a/A)$  for the quantifier free type of  $a$  over  $A$ . If there is no confusion, we omit the subscription  $\mathcal{L}$ . Let  $(a_{\eta})_{\eta \in \kappa^{<\lambda}}$  be a tree-indexed tuple of parameters from  $M$ . For  $\bar{\eta} = (\eta_0, \dots, \eta_m)$ , we denote  $(a_{\eta_0}, \dots, a_{\eta_m})$  by  $a_{\bar{\eta}}$ . We say that  $(a_{\eta})_{\eta \in \kappa^{<\lambda}}$  is *strongly indiscernible* if for tuples  $\bar{\eta}, \bar{\nu}$  of elements in  $\kappa^{<\lambda}$ ,

$$\text{qftp}_{\mathcal{L}_0}(\bar{\eta}) = \text{qftp}_{\mathcal{L}_0}(\bar{\nu}) \Rightarrow \text{tp}_{\mathcal{L}}(a_{\bar{\eta}}) = \text{tp}_{\mathcal{L}}(a_{\bar{\nu}}).$$

**Definition 1.2.** [2, Definition 1.1, Definition 3.19] Let  $\varphi(x; y)$  be a  $\mathcal{L}$ -formula. For a positive integer  $k \geq 2$ , we say that  $\varphi(x; y)$  has the *k-antichain tree property* (*k-ATP*) if there is a tree of parameters  $(a_{\eta})_{\eta \in 2^{<\omega}}$  such that

- For any antichain  $A \subset 2^{<\omega}$ ,  $\{\varphi(x; a_{\eta}) : \eta \in A\}$  is consistent.
- For any comparable distinct elements  $\eta_0, \eta_1 \in 2^{<\omega}$ ,

$$\{\varphi(x; a_{\eta_0}), \varphi(x; a_{\eta_1})\}$$

is inconsistent.

The *antichain tree property* (*ATP*) means the 2-antichain tree property. We say that  $T$  has *k-ATP* if there is a formula having *k-ATP*. We write *NATP* for non *ATP*.

**Fact 1.3.** [2, Theorem 3.17, Lemma 3.20]

- (1) *If there exists a witness of ATP, then there exists a witness of ATP in a single free variable.*
- (2) *T is ATP if and only if T has k-ATP for some  $k \geq 2$ . Moreover, if a formula  $\varphi(x; y)$  has k-ATP for some  $k \geq 2$ , then a formula of the form*

$$\varphi(x; y_0) \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi(x; y_m)$$

*has ATP for some  $m \geq 1$ .*

We recall a type-amalgamation style criterion for *NATP*.

**Fact 1.4.** [2, Theorem 3.27] *Let  $\kappa$  and  $\kappa'$  be cardinals such that  $2^{|T|} < \kappa < \kappa'$  with  $\text{cf}(\kappa) = \kappa$ . The following are equivalent.*

- (1) *T is NATP.*
- (2) *For any strongly indiscernible tree  $(a_{\eta})_{\eta \in 2^{<\kappa'}}$  with  $|a_{\emptyset}| \leq |T|$  and  $b$  with  $|b| = 1$ , there are some  $\rho \in 2^{\kappa}$  and  $b'$  such that*
  - (a)  *$(a_{\rho \smallfrown 0^i})_{i < \kappa'}$  is indiscernible over  $b'$ , and*
  - (b)  *$b \equiv_{a_{\rho}} b'$ .*

- (3) For any strongly indiscernible tree  $(a_\eta)_{\eta \in 2^{<\kappa'}}$  with  $|a_\emptyset| \leq |T|$  and  $b$  with  $|b| = 1$ , there are some  $\rho \in 2^\kappa$  such that for  $p(x; a_\rho) = \text{tp}(b/a_\rho)$ ,

$$\bigcup_{i < \kappa'} p(x; a_{\rho \smallfrown 0^i})$$

is consistent.

We finish this subsection with a fact on the existence on a ‘homogeneous’ universal antichain.

**Fact 1.5.** [2, Corollary 3.23(b)] *Let  $(a_\eta)_{\eta \in 2^{<\kappa'}}$  be a strongly indiscernible tree and  $b$  be a tuple of elements in  $M$  for some cardinals  $\kappa$  and  $\kappa'$  such that  $2^{|T|+|a_\emptyset|+|b|} < \kappa < \kappa'$  and  $\text{cf}(\kappa) = \kappa$ . Then, there is a universal antichain  $S \subset 2^\kappa$  such that*

$$a_\eta \equiv_b a_{\eta'}$$

for all  $\eta, \eta' \in S$ .

**1.2. Denef-Pas language.** Let  $\mathcal{K} = (K, \Gamma, k, \nu : K \rightarrow \Gamma \cup \{\infty\}, \text{ac} : K \rightarrow k)$  be a henselian valued field of characteristic  $(0, 0)$  in the **Denef-Pas language**  $\mathcal{L}_{Pas} = \mathcal{L}_K \cup \mathcal{L}_{\Gamma, \infty} \cup \mathcal{L}_k \cup \{\nu, \text{ac}\}$  where  $\nu : K \rightarrow \Gamma \cup \{\infty\}$  is a valuation map and  $\text{ac} : K \rightarrow k$  is an angular component map.

We recall Delon’s description of types in a single variable on the valued field sort (c.f. [7, 11]). Let  $\mathcal{M} = (M, \dots)$  be a monster model of  $\text{Th}(\mathcal{K})$ . Take  $x \in M \setminus K$ , and define

$$I_K(x) := \{\gamma \in \Gamma : \exists a \in K (\gamma = \nu(x - a))\}.$$

Then, there are three possibilities of  $I_K(x)$ :

- (Immediate)  $I_K(x) = \{\nu(x - a) : a \in K\}$  and does not have a maximal element.
- (Residual)  $I_K(x) = \{\nu(x - a) : a \in K\}$  and has a maximal element.
- (Valuational)  $I_K(x) \neq \{\nu(x - a) : a \in K\}$ .

**Fact 1.6.** [7, Théorème 5][11, Theorem 2.1.1] *There are three possibilities of  $\text{tp}(x/K)$ :*

- (1) (Immediate) *Let  $(a_\rho, \gamma_\rho)$  be a sequence indexed by a well-ordered set such that  $a_\rho \in K$ ,  $\gamma_\rho = \nu(x - a_\rho)$ , and  $(\gamma_\rho)$  is cofinal in  $I_K(x)$ . Then,*

$$\{\nu(x - a_\rho) = \gamma_\rho\} \models \text{tp}(x/K).$$

- (2) (Residual) *There are  $a \in K$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  such that  $\nu(x - a) = \gamma$ ,  $\text{ac}(x - a) \notin k$ , and*

$$\{\nu(x - a) = \gamma\} \cup \text{tp}(\text{ac}(x - a)/k) \models \text{tp}(x/K).$$

(3) (Valuational) There is  $a \in K$  such that  $\nu(x - a) \notin \Gamma$  and  $\text{tp}(\nu(x - a)/\Gamma) \cup \text{tp}(\text{ac}(x - a)/k) \models \text{tp}(x/K)$ .

## 2. PROOF OF THEOREM 0.1(3)

In this section, we aim to give a new proof of Theorem 0.1(3) using a type-amalgamation style criterion for NATP (Fact 1.4(3)) and a description of type in a single variable on the valued field sort (Fact 1.6).

Let  $\mathcal{K} = (K, \Gamma, k, \nu : K \rightarrow \Gamma, \text{ac} : K \rightarrow k)$  be a henselian valued field of characteristic  $(0, 0)$ , which is saturated enough, in the Denef-Pas language. We use  $x, y, z, \dots$  for tuples of variables on  $K$ ,  $x^\Gamma, y^\Gamma, z^\Gamma, \dots$  for tuples of variables on  $\Gamma$ , and  $x^k, y^k, z^k, \dots$  for tuples of variables on  $k$ . We first recall the following fact.

**Fact 2.1.** [2, Lemma 4.27] *Suppose  $\text{Th}(k)$  is NATP. Let*

$$\varphi(x; yy^\Gamma y^k) \equiv \chi(\nu(x - y); y^\Gamma) \wedge \rho(\text{ac}(x - y); y^k)$$

where  $|x| = |y| = 1$ ,  $\chi \in \mathcal{L}_{\Gamma, \infty}$  and  $\rho \in \mathcal{L}_k$ . Then,  $\varphi(x; yy^\Gamma y^k)$  does not witness ATP. Moreover, by Fact 1.3(2), it does not witness  $k$ -ATP for all  $k \geq 2$ .

From now on, we assume that  $\text{Th}(k)$  is NATP. By [9],  $\text{Th}(\Gamma)$  is automatically NATP. Note that  $k$  and  $\Gamma$  are stably embedded (c.f. [6, Lemma 2.3]).

Let  $\kappa$  and  $\kappa'$  be cardinals such that  $2^{\aleph_0} < \kappa < \kappa'$  with  $\text{cf}(\kappa) = \kappa$ . Take a strongly indiscernible tree  $(a_\eta)_{\eta \in 2^{<\kappa'}}$  with  $|a_\eta|$  countable and let  $b$  a tuple of element in  $\mathcal{K}$  of length 1. Without loss of generality, we may assume that each  $a_\eta = (K_\eta, \Gamma_\eta, k_\eta)$  is a elementary substructure of  $\mathcal{K}$ , where  $K_\eta$  is a valued field,  $\Gamma_\eta$  is a value group, and  $k_\eta$  is a residue field. Suppose  $b \in \Gamma$ . Since  $\Gamma$  is stably embedded,  $\text{tp}(b/a_\eta) = \text{tp}(b/\Gamma_\eta)$  for each  $\eta$ . Since  $\text{Th}(\Gamma)$  is NATP, by Fact 1.4(3), there is  $\rho \in 2^{<\kappa'}$  such that for  $p(x; a_\rho) = \text{tp}(b/a_\rho)$ ,

$$\bigcup_{i < \kappa'} p(x; a_{\rho \smallfrown 0^i})$$

is consistent. By similar way, the same thing holds for the case that  $b \in k$ . So, we may assume that  $b \in K$ .

By Fact 1.5, there is a universal antichain  $S \subset 2^\kappa$  such that  $a_\eta \equiv_b a_{\eta'}$  for all  $\eta, \eta' \in S$ . Take  $\rho \in S$  arbitrary. Put  $p(x; a_\rho) = \text{tp}(b/a_\rho)$  and put  $q(x) := \bigcup_{i < \kappa'} p(x; a_{\rho \smallfrown 0^i})$ .

**Claim 2.2.**  $q(x)$  is consistent.

*Proof.* . If  $b \in K_\rho$ , then by strong indiscernibility,  $b \in K_\eta$  for all  $\eta \in S$  and so  $b \models q$ . Now, we assume that  $b \notin K_\rho$ . Suppose  $q$  is not consistent. Then, by compactness, strong indiscernibility, and Fact 1.6, there are

- a formula of the form:

$$\varphi(x; yy^\Gamma y^k) \equiv \chi(\nu(x-y); y^\Gamma) \wedge \rho(\text{ac}(x-y); y^k),$$

- for a positive integer  $n$  and for each  $i < n$ ,

$$c_i \in a_{\rho^{-0^i}}, c_i^\Gamma \subset \Gamma_{\rho^{-0^i}}, c_i^k \subset k_{\rho^{-0^i}}$$

such that

$$\bigwedge_{i < n} \varphi(x; c_i c_i^\Gamma c_i^k)$$

is inconsistent. Since  $b \models \bigcup_{\eta \in S} p(x; a_\eta)$  and  $S$  is a universal antichain, the formula  $\varphi(x; yy^\Gamma y^k)$  witness  $n$ -ATP, a contradiction to Fact 2.1. Thus,  $q(x)$  is consistent.  $\square$

Now, by Fact 1.4,  $\text{Th}(\mathcal{K})$  is NATP.

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