

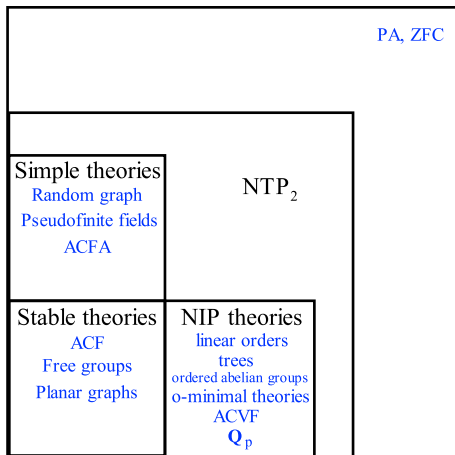
NTP₂

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NTP₂: Definition

Definition

(Shelah) A formula $\phi(x, y)$ has TP₂ if there are $(a_{i,j})_{i,j \in \omega}$ and $k \in \omega$ such that:

- ▶ $\{\phi(x, a_{i,j})\}_{j \in \omega}$ is k -inconsistent for every $i \in \omega$,
- ▶ $\{\phi(x, a_{i,f(i)})\}_{i \in \omega}$ is consistent for every $f : \omega \rightarrow \omega$.

T is called NTP₂ if no formula has TP₂.

NTP₂: Examples

- ▶ Every simple or NIP theory is NTP₂.
- ▶ Let T be a model complete geometric theory in the language L (i.e. it eliminates \exists^∞ and the model theoretic algebraic closure satisfies exchange). Let L' be an expansion of L by a new unary predicate $P(x)$. Then T has a model companion T' in L' and this model companion is NTP₂ (generalizing Chatzidakis-Pillay).
- ▶ E.g. fusing a dense linear order with a random graph gives an NTP₂ theory.

TP_2 is witnessed in one variable

The following is quite useful for checking that a particular structure is NTP_2 .

Theorem

(Ch.) T is NTP_2 if and only if every formula $\varphi(x, y)$ with x singleton is NTP_2 .

(In fact, this follows from a more general result on sub-multiplicativity of burden in arbitrary theories and answers a question of Shelah).

NTP₂: Valued fields

- ▶ Consider the valued field $\mathbf{K} = \prod_{p \text{ prime}} \mathbb{Q}_p / \mathfrak{U}$, where \mathfrak{U} is a non-principal ultrafilter.
- ▶ The theory of \mathbf{K} is not simple: because the value group is linearly ordered.
- ▶ The theory of \mathbf{K} is not NIP: the residue field is pseudo-finite, thus has the independence property by a result of Duret.
- ▶ Even in the pure field language, as the valuation ring is definable uniformly in $p (Ax)$.

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However, \mathbf{K} is NTP₂ (and even strong, of finite burden) by the following:

Theorem

(Ch.) Let $\mathbf{K} = (K, k, \Gamma)$ be a henselian valued field of equicharacteristic 0, in the Denef-Pas language. Assume that k is NTP₂. Then \mathbf{K} is NTP₂.

Analogous to the theorem of Delon for NIP.

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- ▶ Kikyo-Shelah: If T has the Strict Order Property (which is the case with valued fields), then the model companion of $T \cup \{\sigma \text{ is an automorphism}\}$ does not exist.
- ▶ Hrushovski/Azgin:
 - ▶ However, if we impose in addition that σ is contractive (i.e. $v(\sigma(x)) > n \cdot v(x)$ for all $n \in \omega$), then the model companion VFA_0 exists. It is axiomatized by saying that (k, σ) is a model of ACFA_0 , (Γ, σ) is a divisible ordered $\mathbb{Z}[\sigma]$ module and \mathbf{K} is σ -henselian.
 - ▶ A natural model of VFA_0 : a non-standard Frobenius acting on an algebraically closed valued field of char 0.
- ▶ Again neither simple nor NIP.

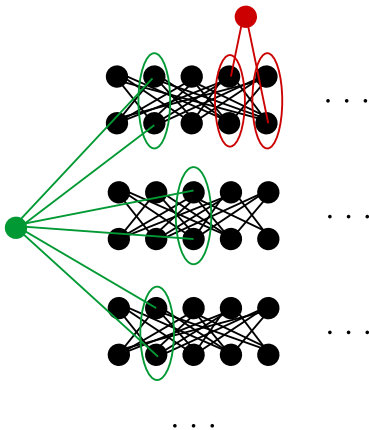
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Theorem

(Ch., Hils) Let $\mathbf{K} = (K, k, \Gamma, \sigma)$ be a σ -henselian contractive valued difference field of equicharacteristic 0. Assume that both (k, σ) and (Γ, σ) are NTP₂. Then \mathbf{K} is NTP₂.

A non-example

Let T be the theory of a triangle-free random graph. Let $\varphi(x, y_1 y_2) = xRy_1 \wedge xRy_2$. Then it has TP_2 :



Forking

Let $\phi(x, y)$ be a formula and A a set.

- ▶ We say that $\phi(x, a)$ *divides* over A if there is $k \in \omega$ and $(a_i)_{i \in \omega}$ such that $\text{tp}(a_i/A) = \text{tp}(a/A)$ and $\{\phi(x, a_i)\}_{i \in \omega}$ is k -inconsistent.
- ▶ We say that $\phi(x, a)$ *forks* over A if there are $\phi_0(x, a_0), \dots, \phi_n(x, a_n)$ such that $\phi(x, a) \vdash \bigvee_{i \leq n} \phi_i(x, a_i)$ and $\phi_i(x, a_i)$ divides over A for each $i \leq n$.
- ▶ We say that a (partial) type $p(x)$ does not divide (fork) over A if it does not imply any formula which divides (forks) over A .

Note that formulas forking over A form an ideal in $\text{Def}(\mathbb{M})$ generated by the formulas dividing over A .

Example

If μ is an A -invariant finitely additive probability measure on $\text{Def}(\mathbb{M})$ and $\mu(\phi(x, a)) > 0$ then $\phi(x, a)$ does not fork over A .

Forking in NTP_2 theories

Recall the picture for simple theories:

1. Nice combinatorial structure of the forking ideal: forking equals dividing, every Morley sequence witnesses dividing, chain condition, ...
2. Let $a \downarrow_c b$ denote that $\text{tp}(a/bc)$ does not fork over c . Then \downarrow is a nice independence relation: invariant under automorphisms of \mathbb{M} , symmetric, transitive, finite character, ...
3. Amalgamation of types (the “Independence theorem” of Kim and Pillay, over models): Assume that $a_1 \downarrow_M b_1$, $a_2 \downarrow_M b_2$ and $\text{tp}(a_1/M) = \text{tp}(a_2/M)$. Then there is $a \downarrow_M b_1 b_2$ and s.t. $\text{tp}(ab_i/M) = \text{tp}(a_i b_i/M)$ for $i = 1, 2$.

The rest of the talk in one sentence: 1 (completely) and 3 (essentially) survive in NTP_2 , as long as one is working over an *extension base*.

Extension bases

- ▶ A set A is called an extension base if every type in $p(x) \in S(A)$ has a global non-forking extension.
- ▶ Examples of extension bases:
 - ▶ any model in any theory,
 - ▶ every set in an o-minimal, c-minimal or ordered dp-minimal theory.
- ▶ A non-example: \emptyset in the theory of dense circular order.

Forking = dividing

Question (Pillay). Is forking = dividing over models in NIP theories?

Theorem

(Ch., Kaplan) *Let A be an extension base in an NTP_2 theory T . Then $\phi(x, a)$ divides over A if and only if it forks over A .*

Forking = dividing: why?

- ▶ The reason: existence of strictly invariant types.
- ▶ A type $p(x) \in S(\mathbb{M})$ is called *strictly invariant* over A if it is invariant (i.e. $\phi(x, a) \in p$ and $\text{tp}(a/A) = \text{tp}(b/A)$ implies $\phi(x, b) \in p$) and for every small $A \subseteq B \subseteq \mathbb{M}$, if $c \models p|_B$ then $\text{tp}(B/cA)$ does not fork over A .
- ▶ E.g. every generically stable type or every invariant type in a simple theory are strictly invariant.
- ▶ The crucial step of the proof is to show that in NTP_2 theories every type $p(x)$ over a model M has a global strictly invariant extension $q(x)$ (using the so called Broom lemma).
- ▶ Then one can show that TFAE:
 - ▶ $\varphi(x, a)$ divides over M
 - ▶ For any $q(x) \in S(\mathbb{M})$, a strictly invariant extension of $\text{tp}(a/M)$, and $(a_i)_{i \in \omega}$ a Morley sequence in q (i.e. $a_i \models q|_{a_{<i}M}$) we have that $\{\varphi(x, a_i)\}_{i \in \omega}$ is inconsistent.

Dividing = array-dividing

- ▶ We say that $(a_{ij})_{i,j \in \omega}$ is a (2-dimensional) indiscernible array over A if both the sequence of rows and the sequence of columns are indiscernible over A .
- ▶ $\varphi(x, a)$ *array-divides* over A if there is an indiscernible array over A such that $a = a_{00}$ and $\{\varphi(x, a_{ij})\}_{i,j \in \omega}$ is inconsistent.
- ▶ **Theorem** (Ben Yaacov, Ch.) Let T be NTP_2 . Then $\varphi(x, a)$ array-divides over A if and only if it divides over A .
- ▶ Generalizes to κ -dimensional arrays for any ordinal κ .

Chain condition

- ▶ We say that forking satisfies the *chain condition* over A if whenever $(a_i)_{i \in \omega}$ is an indiscernible sequence and $\varphi(x, a_0)$ does not fork over A then $\varphi(x, a_0) \wedge \varphi(x, a_1)$ does not fork over A .
- ▶ **Problem** (Adler/Hrushovski) What is the relationship between NTP_2 and the chain condition of non-forking?

Theorem

(Ben Yaacov, Ch.) Let T be NTP_2 and A an extension base. Then forking satisfies the chain condition over A .

Example

(Ch., Kaplan, Shelah) There is a theory with TP_2 in which forking satisfies the chain condition over arbitrary sets.

Weak independence theorem

- ▶ Recall the amalgamation of types in simple theories.
- ▶ Of course, fails in the presence of a linear order.
- ▶ However, we prove a weak independence theorem over an extension base:

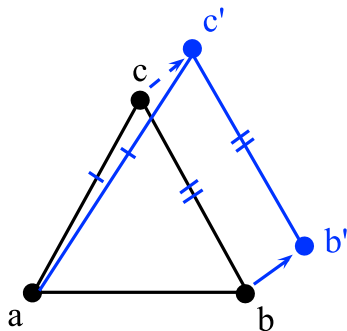
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(Ben Yaacov, Ch.) Let T be NTP_2 and A an extension base. Assume that $c \perp_A ab$, $a \perp_A bb'$ and $b \equiv_A^{\text{Lstp}} b'$. Then there is c' such that $c' \perp_A ab'$, $c'a \equiv_A ca$, $c'b' \equiv_A cb$.

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Applications of the WIT

- ▶ Let T be NTP_2 and A an extension base. Then Lascar strong type over A equals Kim-Pillay strong type over A (we show that $a \equiv_A^{\text{Lstp}} b$ implies $d_A(a, b) \leq 3$).
- ▶ The sufficient conditions of the *stabilizer theorem* of Hrushovski are satisfied in NTP_2 theories as the chain condition of non-forking means precisely that the forking ideal is $S1$.

NIP types in NTP_2 theories

- ▶ A (partial) type $p(x)$ is NIP if there are no $(a_i)_{i \in \omega}$ with $a_i \models p(x)$, $(b_s)_{s \subseteq \omega}$ and $\varphi(x, y)$ such that $\varphi(a_i, b_s) \Leftrightarrow i \in s$.
- ▶ Whole NIP theory can be done locally with respect to an NIP type (e.g. dp-rank of an NIP type in an arbitrary theory is always witness by mutually indiscernible sequences of its realizations, Kaplan-Simon, Ch.).

Theorem

(Ch., Kaplan) Let T be NTP_2 . Then $p(x)$ is NIP if and only if every $q(x) \supseteq p(x)$ has only boundedly many global non-forking extensions (compare to stable types).

It is not true without the NTP_2 assumption, by the same example from [Ch., Kaplan and Shelah].

Simple types in NTP_2 theories

- ▶ A (partial) type $p(x)$ is simple if there are no $(a_\eta)_{\eta \in \omega^{<\omega}}$, $\varphi(x, y)$ and $k \in \omega$ such that:
 - ▶ $p(x) \cup \{\varphi(x, a_{\eta|i})\}_{i \in \omega}$ is consistent for every $\eta \in \omega^\omega$,
 - ▶ $\{\varphi(x, a_{\eta i})\}_{i \in \omega}$ is k -inconsistent for every $\eta \in \omega^{<\omega}$.

Theorem

(Ch.) Let T be NTP_2 . TFAE:

1. $p(x)$ is simple
2. Every $q(x) \supseteq p(x)$, satisfies the independence theorem over models.
3. For every $A \supseteq \text{dom}(p)$, $a \models p$ and b : $a \downarrow_A b$ iff $b \downarrow_A a$.

Dependent dividing

Definition

We will say that T has *dependent dividing* if whenever $p(x) \in S(N)$ divides over $M \preceq N$, there is some $\varphi(x, a) \in p$ dividing over M and such that $\varphi(x, y)$ is NIP.

- ▶ Of course, every NIP theory has dependent dividing.
- ▶ If T is a simple theory, then it has dependent dividing if and only if it has stable forking. I.e., all known simple theories have dependent dividing.

Theorem

(Ch.) Assume that T has dependent dividing. Then it is NTP_2 .

The dependent dividing conjecture: Every NTP_2 theory has dependent dividing.

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