

Part III Model Theory, Lecture 21, 27 Nov

Setting:  $G$  expansion of a group,  $T = Th(G)$ . Assume  $T$  is stable

Def 21.1: Let  $G^\circ$  be the intersection of all definable finite index subgroups of  $G$ .

Note:  $G^\circ = \bigcap_{\varphi} G^\circ(\varphi)$

Example 21.2

①  $Th(\mathbb{Z}, +, 0) = T$ . If  $G = T$  then  $G^\circ = \bigcap_{n \geq 1} nG$ . So if  $G = \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $G^\circ = \{0\}$

If  $G$  is  $\aleph_0$ -saturated then  $G^\circ$  is nontrivial.

②  $G$  is an algebraic group over some ACF.  $G^\circ$  is the connected component of  $G$  w.r.t the Zariski topology.

Remark 21.3:  $G^\circ$  is a normal subgroup.

Goal: Another description of  $G^\circ$ .

Def 21.4:  $X \subseteq G$  is bi-generic if  $\exists a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_n \in G$  st  $G = \bigcup_{i=1}^n a_i X b_i$ .

Lemma 21.5 If  $X \subseteq G$  is definable then  $X$  or  $G \setminus X$  is bi-generic.

Proof: Suppose not. We build  $(a_i)_{i \geq 1}, (b_i)_{i \geq 1}$  st  $a_i b_j \in X$  if  $i \leq j$ .

[So if  $\varphi(x)$  defines  $X$  then  $\varphi(x \cdot y)$  has OP.] Let  $a_0 \in X$  and  $b_0 = 1$ .

Choose  $a_n \notin \bigcup_{i < n} X b_i^{-1}$  and  $b_n \notin \bigcup_{i < n} a_i^{-1} (G \setminus X)$

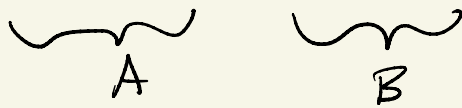
$a_n b_i \notin X \ \forall i < n$  and  $a_i b_n \in X \ \forall i < n$   $\star$   $\square$

Example 21.6  $Th(\mathbb{Z}, +, <, 0)$  is unstable.  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbb{Z} \setminus \mathbb{N}$  are definable and not bi-generic.

Lemma 21.7 If  $X, Y \subseteq G$  are definable and  $X \cup Y$  is bi-generic, then  $X$  or  $Y$  is bi-generic.

Proof: Assume  $G = \bigcup_{i=1}^n a_i (X \cup Y) b_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^n a_i X b_i \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^n a_i Y b_i$ .

If  $A$  is bi-generic then so is  $X$ .



Suppose  $A$  is not bi-generic. Then  $G \setminus A$  is bi-generic by 21.5.

So  $B$  is bi-generic (since  $G \setminus A \subseteq B$ ). So  $Y$  is bi-generic.  $\square$

Def 21.8  $p \in S_1(G)$  is bi-generic if every  $X \in p$  is bi-generic.

Convention: Identify  $L_G$ -formula  $\varphi(x)$  with  $\varphi(G)$ .

Proposition 21.9 There is a bi-generic type  $p \in S_1(G)$ .

Proof: Let  $q = \{\neg X : X \in G \text{ is definable and not bi-generic}\}$ . Then  $q$  is fin. sat. in  $G$ :

Fix  $X_1, \dots, X_n \in G$  definable, not bi-generic. Then  $X_1 \cup \dots \cup X_n$  is not bi-generic by 21.7.

So  $\neg X_1 \cap \dots \cap \neg X_n = \neg(X_1 \cup \dots \cup X_n) \neq \emptyset$ . Extend  $q$  to some  $p \in S_1(G)$ .

If  $X \in p$  then  $\neg X \notin q$ , so  $X$  is bi-generic.  $\square$

Def 21.10 Given  $p \in S_1(G)$  and  $g \in G$ , define  $gp = \{gX : X \in p\}$ .

ES4:  $gp \in S_1(G)$ .

Def 21.11: Given  $p \in S_1(G)$  and  $X \in G$  definable, let

$$H_X^p = \{g \in G : \forall a \in G, aX \in p \Leftrightarrow aX \in gp\}$$

(T-stable.)

Theorem 21.12 If  $p \in S_1(G)$  and  $X \in G$  is definable, then  $H_X^p$  is a definable subgroup of  $G$ . Moreover, if  $p$  is bi-generic then  $H_X^p$  has finite index.

Proof: Fix  $p \in S_1(G)$  and definable  $X \in G$ . Eac:  $H_X^p$  is a subgroup.

Since  $p$  is definable  $\exists \psi(y)$  st  $\forall a \in G, aX \in p \Leftrightarrow G \models \psi(a)$

[ $\psi(y)$  is def. for  $p$  w.r.t the formula  $\varphi(x, y)$  given by " $y^{-1} \cdot x \in X$ ".]

So  $g \in H_X^p \iff G \models \forall a (\psi(a) \leftrightarrow \psi(g^{-1}a))$ .

Given  $g, r \in S_1(G)$ , write  $g \sim r \iff \forall a, b \in G, aXb \in g \iff aXb \in r$ .

Main Claim: There are only finitely many bi-generic types in  $S_1(G)$  mod  $\sim$ .

Proof: Next time.

Assume  $p$  is bi-generic. Suppose  $\exists g_1, g_2, g_3, \dots$  in  $G$  st  $g_i^{-1}g_j \notin H_X^p \forall i \neq j$ .

So  $\forall i \neq j \exists a \in G$  st  $aX \in p \iff aX \notin g_i^{-1}g_j p$ , i.e.

$$g_i aX \in g_i p \iff g_i aX \notin g_j p.$$

So  $\forall i \neq j, g_i p \neq g_j p$ . But each  $g_i p$  is bi-generic [ES4], contradicting the Main Claim.  $\square$

Corollary 21.13 If  $p \in S_1(G)$  is bi-generic then

$$G^\circ = \bigcap_{\substack{X \in G \\ \text{def.}}} H_X^p$$

$$\text{So } G^\circ = \{g \in G : gp = p\} =: \text{Stab}(p).$$

Proof:  $G^\circ \in H_X^p \forall \text{ def. } X \in G$ . For the other direction, it suffices to fix definable

finite index normal subgroup  $K$  of  $G$ , and show  $\bigcap_{X \in G} H_X^p \leq K$ .

$$\text{Check: } H_X^p = K. \quad \square$$