

## EXTENSIONS OF ORDERED THEORIES BY GENERIC PREDICATES

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**§1. Introduction.** Given a theory  $T$  extending that of dense linear orders without endpoints (DLO), in a language  $\mathcal{L} \supseteq \{<\}$ , we are interested in extensions  $T'$  of  $T$  in languages extending  $\mathcal{L}$  by unary relation symbols that are each interpreted in models of  $T'$  as sets that are both dense and codense in the underlying sets of the models.

There is a canonically “wild” example, namely,  $T = \text{Th}(\langle \mathbb{R}, <, +, \cdot \rangle)$  and  $T' = \text{Th}(\langle \mathbb{R}, <, +, \cdot, \mathbb{Q} \rangle)$ . Recall that  $T$  is o-minimal, and so every open set definable in any model of  $T$  has only finitely many definably connected components. But it is well known that  $\langle \mathbb{R}, <, +, \cdot, \mathbb{Q} \rangle$  defines every real Borel set, in particular, every open subset of any finite cartesian power of  $\mathbb{R}$  and every subset of any finite cartesian power of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . To put this another way, the definable open sets in models of  $T$  are essentially as simple as possible, while  $T'$  has a model where the definable open sets are as complicated as possible, as is the structure induced on the new predicate.

In contrast to the preceding example, if  $\mathbb{R}_{\text{alg}}$  is the set of real algebraic numbers and  $T' = \text{Th}(\langle \mathbb{R}, <, +, \cdot, \mathbb{R}_{\text{alg}} \rangle)$ , then no model of  $T'$  defines any open set (of any arity) that is not definable in the underlying model of  $T$ . More generally, if  $\mathfrak{B}$  is an o-minimal expansion of a densely ordered group and  $A$  is the underlying set of a dense elementary substructure of  $\mathfrak{B}$ , then  $\text{Th}(\langle \mathfrak{B}, A \rangle)$  is rather well behaved with respect to  $\text{Th}(\mathfrak{B})$ , in particular, every open set definable in  $\langle \mathfrak{B}, A \rangle$  is definable in  $\mathfrak{B}$ ; see [6, Section 5] for details. There is an orthogonal complement [7]: If  $E \subseteq B$  is dense and definably independent with respect to  $\mathfrak{B}$ , then again, every open set definable in  $\langle \mathfrak{B}, E \rangle$  is definable in  $\mathfrak{B}$ .

Another class of examples is treated in [6, Section 6], namely, extensions  $T'$  of o-minimal theories  $T$  by “generic (unary) predicates”; this material was included in [6] only to illustrate some of the broader themes of that paper as a whole. Here, we shall relax the assumption that  $T$  be o-minimal and consider such extensions  $T'$  in their own right. Some preliminary discussion of the underlying intuitive ideas is in order.

Fix for the moment a positive integer  $N$ . We want to run a fair “pick  $N$ ” lottery game on balls colored either black or white. The ways that we can mix and draw

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