

## Short pp-definitions

$$A = (A, R_1, \dots, R_k)$$

$\langle A \rangle_{\exists, \wedge}$  ... all pp-definable relations

Def.  $A$  pp-defs. of length  $\leq f(n)$

$\forall n \forall Q \in \langle A \rangle_{\exists, \wedge} A^n$   $Q$  has pp-definitions  $\psi$   
 $|\psi| \leq f(n)$

short pp-def. ... pp-defs. of polynomial length  
 $O(n^l)$  for some  $l$ .

## Examples

$$\bullet) A = (\{0, 1\}; \{(x, y, z) \mid x + y = z\}, 0, 1)$$

$Q \in A^n \cap \langle A \rangle \dots$  affine subspaces of  $\mathbb{Z}_2^n \dots$

$Q$  -- conjunction of  $\leq n$  many

$$x_{i_1} + x_{i_2} + \dots + x_{i_k} = c \quad c \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$\exists y_2 \dots y_k : (x_{i_1} + x_{i_2} = y_2) \wedge (y_2 + x_{i_3} = y_3) \wedge \dots \wedge (y_k = c)$$

pp-fm of length  $O(n^2)$

$\leadsto$  affine  $A$   $\checkmark$

•)  $A = (\{0, 1\}, \text{all binary})$

$\text{maj} \in \text{Pol} A$

$$Q \in \langle A \rangle \Leftrightarrow Q = \bigwedge_{|I| \leq 2} p \uparrow_I Q$$

pp-defs  $\leq O(n^2)$

If  $\exists f(yx \dots x) \approx f(xy \dots x) \approx f(x \dots xy) \approx x$

No polymorphism of arity  $k$

$\leadsto$  pp-defs of length  $O(n^{k-1})$

if  $\langle A \rangle \stackrel{?}{=} \langle B \rangle$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow A \text{ pp-defs of length } \leq f(n) \\ \rightarrow B \text{ — " — } \leq c \cdot f(n) \end{array} \right. \begin{array}{l} ? \\ \{ \checkmark \} \\ ? \end{array}$

$B \in \underline{\text{EHSPA}}$

if  $A, B$  pp-bi-interpretable

$\Rightarrow B$  pp-defs.  $\leq c_1 \cdot f(\frac{1}{2} \cdot n)$

Def  $\underline{A}$  .. algebraic structure / clone

$\underline{A}$  has short pp-defs.  $\Leftrightarrow \text{Inv } \underline{A} = \{ R \subseteq \underline{A}^n, n \in \mathbb{N} \}$   
has short pp-defs.

2 if  $A$  pp-defs of length  $\leq f(n)$

$$\Rightarrow |\langle A \rangle \cap A^n| \leq c^{f(n)} \quad \text{for some } c > 1$$

So short pp-def  $\Rightarrow$  few subpowers

## Conjecture

1)  $A$  has short pp-defs.  $\Leftrightarrow$   $A$  has few subpowers

2)  $A$  has pp-defs. of length  $O(n^{\max(k-1, 2)}) \Leftrightarrow$   $A$  has  $k$ -edge term.

A has few subpowers  $\Leftrightarrow$

$\exists$   $k$ -edge-term  $t \in \text{Clo } A^{(k+1)}$

$$t(y y x \dots x) = x$$

$$t(y x y \dots x) \approx x$$

$$t(x x x \dots y x \dots x) \approx x$$

$$t(x \dots x y) \approx x$$

few subpowers  
 $\Downarrow$   
finitely related

$k$ -edge-term  $\Leftrightarrow i_A(n) = O(n^{k-1})$   
in / pp-def Rel of arity  $n$

SMP(A)

Input:  $\bar{a}_1, \dots, \bar{a}_k, \bar{b} \in A^n$

Question:  $\bar{b} \in \text{Sg}_{\underline{A}^n}(\bar{a}_1, \dots, \bar{a}_k)$

Is  $\text{SMP}(\underline{A}) \in P$  for  $\underline{A}$  with few subpowers?

↳ If YES, then can encode  $R \subseteq \underline{A}^n$  efficiently  
as  $\text{Sg}_{\underline{A}^n}(\bar{a}_1, \dots, \bar{a}_k)$

$\bar{b} \notin \text{Sg}_{\underline{A}^n}(\bar{a}_1, \dots, \bar{a}_k) \Rightarrow \exists$  pp-fun.  $\Psi \uparrow \Psi(\bar{b}), \Psi(\bar{a}_i)$   
 $\underline{A}$  short pp-defs  $\Rightarrow \text{SMP}(\underline{A}) \in \text{COMP}$

A few subpowers

$\forall R \subseteq \underline{A}^n$  ... has a compact representation

$$S \subseteq R \quad |S| = O(n^{k-1} + n^2)$$

$$\text{Sg}(S) = R$$

$\bar{b} \in \text{Sg}^R(\bar{a}_1, \dots, \bar{a}_n)$  ... can be witnessed by  $S$ ,

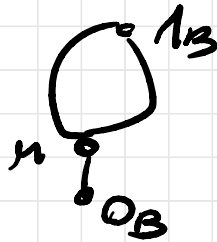
$\rightarrow \text{SMP}(A) \in \text{NP}$



# Theorem

If  $\text{HSP}(A)$  is residually finite then  
pp-defs of length  $O(n^{k-1} + n^2) \Leftrightarrow k$ -edge terms

B is ST Con B



# Proof idea

1) enough to consider critical rels.

- 1-irreducible
- no dummy variables

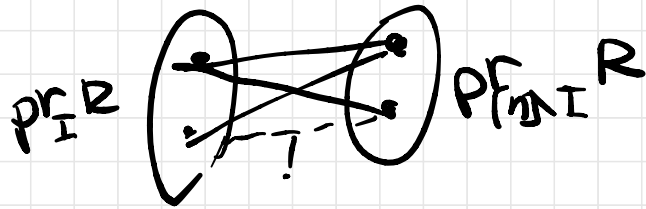
[ A few subpowers

$$R \leq \underline{A}^n \rightarrow n \leq k$$

critical



or  $R$  has parallelogram property



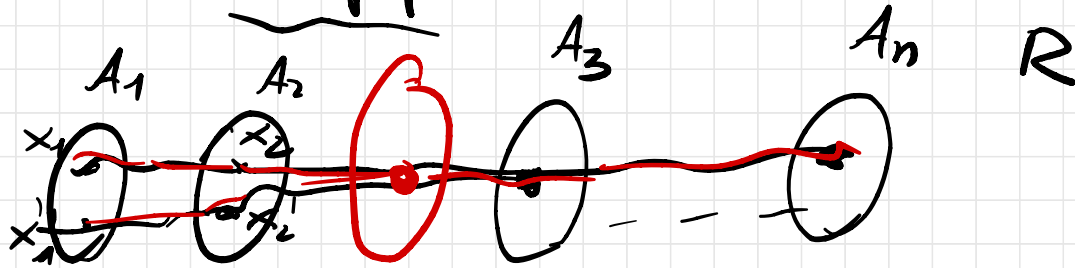
Lemma  $R \subseteq A^n \quad \exists R_1 \dots R_\ell \text{ cr. pp.}$

$$R = \bigcap_{|I| \leq k} p_{r_I} R \cap R_{1A} \dots \cap R_\ell$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{O(n^{k-1})} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\ell \leq |A|^2 n}$

$\hookrightarrow$  only consider  $R$  critical, parallelogram property

for  $\mathbb{R}$  cr. p.p.



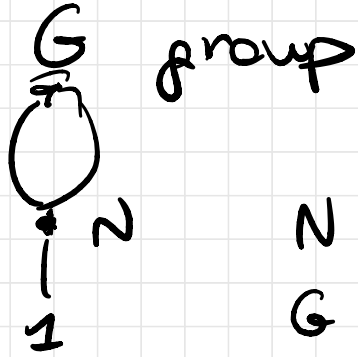
$$(x_1, x_2) \sim (x_1', x_2') \Leftrightarrow \exists \bar{z} : (x_1, x_2, \bar{z}) \in \mathbb{R} \\ (x_1', x_2', \bar{z}) \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\underline{A}_{12} := \text{pr}_{(12)} \mathbb{R} / \sim$$

$$\downarrow \\ \underline{A}_{12} \text{ is ST} \rightarrow |A_{12}| \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$|A_{12}| \leq |A_1| \cdot |A_2|$$

□



$N$  central

$G$  not abelian

$$M = \{ (x, x) \mid x \in N \} \trianglelefteq \underline{G} \times \underline{G}$$

$M$  has unique cover  $N \times N$

$$|G| < |G \times G / M| \leq |G|^2$$

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Maroti doesn't work

$$A = (\underbrace{\{0, 1\}}_L \times \underbrace{\{0, 1\}}_U, g(x, y, z))$$

$$g((l_1, u_1), (l_2, u_2), (l_3, u_3)) = (l_1 + l_2 + l_3 + \hat{g}(u_1, u_2, u_3), \max(u_1, u_2, u_3))$$

HSP(A) not r.f.

affine

$\hat{g}$  symmetric

$$\hat{g}(100) = 1$$

$$\hat{g}(u_1, u_2, u_3) = 0 \text{ else}$$

