ON SUBANALYTIC SUBSETS OF REAL ANALYTIC ORBIFOLDS

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Abstract. The purpose of this paper is to define semi- and subanalytic subsets and maps in the context of real analytic orbifolds and to study their basic properties. We prove results analogous to some well-known results in the manifold case. For example, we prove that if \( A \) is a subanalytic subset of a real analytic quotient orbifold \( X \), then there is a real analytic orbifold \( Y \) of the same dimension as \( A \) and a proper real analytic map \( f: Y \to X \) with \( f(Y) = A \). We also study images and inverse images of subanalytic sets and show that if \( X \) and \( Y \) are real analytic orbifolds and if \( f: X \to Y \) is a subanalytic map, then the inverse image \( f^{-1}(B) \) of any subanalytic subset \( B \) of \( Y \) is subanalytic. If, in addition, \( f \) is proper, then also the image \( f(A) \) of any subanalytic subset \( A \) of \( X \) is proper.

1. Introduction

Semianalytic subsets of real analytic manifolds are locally defined by a finite number of equalities and inequalities of real analytic maps. Thus the definition of a semianalytic set is analogous to that of a semialgebraic set. Consequently, the theory of semianalytic sets resembles that of semialgebraic sets. However, there are essential differences. While the property of being semialgebraic is preserved by a rational map, the image of a semianalytic set by a real analytic map is not necessarily semianalytic, not even if the map is proper.

From many points of view, for example when one considers such topics as triangulations or stratifications, the images of semianalytic sets by proper real analytic maps are as good as semianalytic sets. This fact led to the concept of subanalytic sets. Subanalytic sets form the smallest class of sets that contains all the semianalytic sets and is closed under the operation of taking images by proper real analytic maps. Locally, subanalytic sets are just projections of relatively compact semianalytic sets. Łojasiewicz was the first one to study properties of semianalytic and subanalytic sets, see [11], although the word ”subanalytic” is due to Hironaka ([6]). The theory of semianalytic and subanalytic sets was then developed by Gabrielov ([3]), Hardt ([4], [5]) and Hironaka ([6], [7]).

Orbifolds are generalizations of manifolds. The concept of an orbifold was originally introduced in 1957 by Satake ([13]), who used the term ”\( V \)-manifold”. The word ”orbifold” is due to Thurston ([14]), who used orbifolds to study the structure of 3-manifolds in the 1970’s. Locally, an \( n \)-dimensional orbifold, where
An \( n \in \mathbb{N} \), is an orbit space of a finite group action on an open connected subset of \( \mathbb{R}^n \). Maps between orbifolds that take into account the local orbit space structure, i.e., maps that locally are induced by equivariant maps, are called orbifold maps.

The purpose of this paper is to generalize the concepts of semianalytic and subanalytic sets to the orbifold case. We begin by discussing real analytic orbifolds in Sections 2, 3 and 4. We show that the quotient space of a real analytic manifold by a proper real analytic almost free action of a Lie group is a real analytic orbifold (Theorem 3.1) and that every suborbifold of a real analytic quotient orbifold also is a quotient orbifold (Theorem 4.2).

Semi- and subanalytic subsets of real analytic orbifolds are introduced in Section 6. We show that the closures, interiors, complements, finite unions and finite intersections of semianalytic (subanalytic) subsets of real analytic orbifolds are semianalytic (subanalytic) (Theorem 6.4).

We continue by defining semianalytic and subanalytic maps between two orbifolds and show that the definitions are analogous to those of a semianalytic and a subanalytic map between two real analytic manifolds (Theorem 7.3). Basic properties of semianalytic and subanalytic maps are considered in the orbifold case. In particular, we show that the inverse image of a subanalytic set by a subanalytic map is subanalytic and that the image of a subanalytic set by a proper subanalytic map is subanalytic (Theorem 9.3).

By definition, subanalytic subsets of real analytic manifolds are locally projections of relatively compact semianalytic sets. In Section 10, we show that subanalytic subsets of real analytic orbifolds can be characterized by the same property (Theorem 10.1).

We also prove a version of the uniformization theorem for subanalytic subsets of quotient orbifolds, i.e., we show that if \( X \) is a real analytic quotient orbifold and if \( A \) is a closed subanalytic subset of \( X \), then there exists a real analytic orbifold \( Y \) of the same dimension as \( A \) and a proper real analytic map \( f : Y \to X \) such that \( f(Y) = A \) (Theorem 11.3).

Results of this paper are applied in [10], where subanalytic triangulations of real analytic orbifolds are studied.

2. Real analytic orbifolds

In this section we recall the definition and some basic properties of an orbifold.

**Definition 2.1.** Let \( X \) be a topological space and let \( n > 0 \).

1. An \( n \)-dimensional orbifold chart for an open subset \( V \) of \( X \) is a triple \((\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)\) such that
   (a) \( \tilde{V} \) is a connected open subset of \( \mathbb{R}^n \),
   (b) \( G \) is a finite group of homeomorphisms acting on \( \tilde{V} \), let \( \ker(G) \) denote the subgroup of \( G \) acting trivially on \( \tilde{V} \).
   (c) \( \varphi : \tilde{V} \to V \) is a \( G \)-invariant map inducing a homeomorphism from the orbit space \( \tilde{V}/G \) onto \( V \).

2. If \( V_i \subset V_j \), an embedding \((\lambda_{ij}, h_{ij}) : (\tilde{V}_i, G_i, \varphi_i) \to (\tilde{V}_j, G_j, \varphi_j)\) between two orbifold charts is
Definition 2.2. An orbifold atlas on $X$ is a family $\mathcal{V} = \{ (V_i, G_i, \varphi_i) \}_{i \in I}$ of orbifold charts such that

(a) $\{ V_i \}_{i \in I}$ is a covering of $X$,

(b) given two charts $(V_i, G_i, \varphi_i)$ and $(V_j, G_j, \varphi_j)$ and a point $x \in V_i \cap V_j$, there exists an open neighborhood $V_k \subset V_i \cap V_j$ of $x$ and a chart $(V_k, G_k, \varphi_k)$ such that there are embeddings $(\lambda_{ki}, h_{ki}) : (V_k, G_k, \varphi_k) \rightarrow (V_i, G_i, \varphi_i)$ and $(\lambda_{kj}, h_{kj}) : (V_k, G_k, \varphi_k) \rightarrow (V_j, G_j, \varphi_j)$.

(3) An orbifold atlas on $X$ is called a refinement of another atlas $U$ if for every chart in $V$ there exists an embedding into some chart of $U$. Two orbifold atlases are called equivalent if they have a common refinement.

Every orbifold atlas $\mathcal{V}$ is contained in a unique maximal orbifold atlas, i.e., in a maximal family of orbifold charts satisfying conditions (1), (2) and (3).

Definition 2.2. An $n$-dimensional orbifold is a paracompact Hausdorff space $X$ equipped with an equivalence class of $n$-dimensional orbifold atlases.

Without further mentioning, we assume that every orbifold has only countably many connected components.

The sets $V \in \mathcal{V}$ are called basic open sets in $X$.

An orbifold is called real analytic (resp. smooth, i.e., differentiable of class $C^\infty$), if each $G_i$ acts via real analytic (resp. smooth) diffeomorphisms on $\bar{V}_i$ and if each embedding $\lambda_{ij} : \bar{V}_i \rightarrow \bar{V}_j$ is real analytic (resp. smooth).

An $n$-dimensional orbifold $X$ is called locally smooth, if for each $x \in X$ there is an orbifold chart $(U, G, \varphi)$ with $x \in U = \varphi(\bar{U})$ and such that the action of $G$ on $\bar{U} \cong \mathbb{R}^n$ is orthogonal. By the slice theorem (see Proposition 2.2.2 in [12] for the smooth case and Theorem 2.5 in [8] for the real analytic version), all real analytic and smooth orbifolds are locally smooth.

Let $Y_1$ and $Y_2$ be real analytic orbifolds with orbifold atlases $\mathcal{V} = \{ (\bar{V}_i, G_i, \varphi_i) \}_{i \in I}$ and $\mathcal{U} = \{ (\bar{U}_j, H_j, \psi_j) \}_{j \in J}$, respectively. Let the groups $G_i \times H_j$ act diagonally on the sets $\bar{V}_i \times \bar{U}_j$. Then the product $Y_1 \times Y_2$ is a real analytic orbifold with the orbifold atlas $\mathcal{V} \times \mathcal{U} = \{ (\bar{V}_i \times \bar{U}_j, G_i \times H_j, \varphi_i \times \psi_j) \}_{(i, j) \in I \times J}$.

3. Real analytic quotient orbifolds

Recall that a map $f : M \rightarrow N$ is called proper, if the inverse image $f^{-1}(K)$ of any compact subset $K$ of $N$ is compact. Let $G$ be a Lie group and let $M$ be a real analytic manifold on which $G$ acts real analytically. If the action of $G$ on $M$ is proper, i.e., if the map

$$G \times M \rightarrow M \times M, (g, x) \mapsto (gx, x),$$
is proper, we call $M$ a proper real analytic $G$-manifold. Proper smooth $G$-manifolds are defined accordingly. The action is called almost free, if every isotropy group is finite. The following theorem shows that orbit spaces of such actions are orbifolds. At least the smooth case of the theorem is known, see [1] p. 536. The proof is presented here, since we failed to find one in literature.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let $G$ be a Lie group and let $M$ be a a proper real analytic (resp. smooth) $G$-manifold. Assume the action of $G$ on $M$ is almost free. Then the orbit space $M/G$ is a real analytic (resp. smooth) orbifold.

*Proof.* We prove the real analytic case, the smooth case is similar. Let $\bar{x} \in M$. It follows from the real analytic slice theorem that there is a slice $U$ at $\bar{x}$ and a $G_{\bar{x}}$-equivariant real analytic diffeomorphism $U \to \mathbb{R}^m$ where $G_{\bar{x}}$ acts orthogonally on $\mathbb{R}^m$, and $m = \dim M - \dim (G/G_{\bar{x}}) = \dim M - \dim G$. More precisely, we may consider $U$ as the normal space $N_{\bar{x}} = T_{\bar{x}}(M)/T_{\bar{x}}(G\bar{x})$ of the orbit $G\bar{x}$ of $\bar{x}$ at $\bar{x}$. The orbifold charts of $M/G$ are then $(U, G_{\bar{x}}, \pi)$ where $\pi: U \to U/G_{\bar{x}}$ is the natural projection.

Since $G$ acts properly on $M$, it follows that $M/G$ is a Hausdorff space (Theorem 1.2.9 in [12]) and it also follows that $M/G$ is paracompact.

We check that Condition 3b of Definition 2.1 holds: Let $x, y \in M/G$ and let $(U, G_{\bar{x}}, \pi)$ and $(V, G_{\bar{y}}, \pi)$ be charts such that $\pi(\bar{x}) = x$ and $\pi(\bar{y}) = y$. Let $z \in \pi(U) \cap \pi(V)$. Then there is $\bar{z} \in U$ such that $\pi(\bar{z}) = z$. For some $g \in G$, $g\bar{z} \in V$. Clearly, $\pi(g\bar{z}) = z$. Consider $U$ and $V$ as $G_{\bar{x}}$- and $G_{\bar{y}}$-spaces, respectively. We can now apply the slice theorem for those spaces. Thus, let $N_{\bar{z}}$ and $N'_{g\bar{z}}$ be the normal spaces of the orbits $(G_{\bar{x}})\bar{z}$ at $\bar{z}$ in $U$ and $(G_{\bar{y}})g\bar{z}$ at $g\bar{z}$ in $V$, respectively.

Let $N_{\bar{z}}$ and $N'_{g\bar{z}}$ be the normal spaces of the orbits $G\bar{z}$ at $\bar{z}$ and $Gg\bar{z} = G\bar{z}$ at $g\bar{z}$, respectively. Then $N_{\bar{z}}$ is $G_{\bar{z}}$-equivariantly isomorphic to $N'_{\bar{z}}$ and $N'_{g\bar{z}}$ is $G_{g\bar{z}}$-equivariantly isomorphic to $N'_{g\bar{z}}$. There now are real analytic embeddings $\lambda_U: N_{\bar{z}} \cong N'_{\bar{z}} \hookrightarrow U$ and $\lambda_V: N'_{g\bar{z}} \cong N'_{g\bar{z}} \hookrightarrow V$, where $\lambda_U$ is $G_{\bar{z}}$-equivariant and $\lambda_V$ is $G_{g\bar{z}}$-equivariant. Now, $G_{g\bar{z}} = gG_{\bar{z}}g^{-1}$ and $\theta: G_{\bar{z}} \to gG_{\bar{z}}g^{-1}$, $\theta(h) = ghg^{-1}$, is an isomorphism. The claim follows, since the real analytic diffeomorphism $g: M \to M$ induces a real analytic $\theta$-equivariant isomorphism $N_{\bar{z}} \to N'_{g\bar{z}}$. □

Orbit spaces of real analytic manifolds by real analytic proper almost free actions of Lie groups are called real analytic quotient orbifolds.

Assume $X$ is an $n$-dimensional smooth orbifold, i.e., an orbifold differentiable of degree $C^\infty$. Assume that $X$ is reduced. This means that all the groups in the definition of an orbifold chart act effectively. Then it is well-known that $X$ is a quotient orbifold. More precisely, there exists a smooth manifold $M$ on which the orthogonal group $O(n)$ acts smoothly, effectively and almost freely such that the orbit space $M/O(n)$ is smoothly diffeomorphic to $X$ as an orbifold.

It would be nice to have a corresponding result for real analytic reduced orbifolds. The proof of the smooth case is based on the use of the frame bundle over $X$, hence it makes use of a smooth Riemannian metric on $X$. The proof can not be applied to the real analytic case since, as far as we know, it is not known how to construct real analytic Riemannian metrics for real analytic orbifolds unless the orbifold already is known to be a quotient. The smooth result gives a smooth
quotient orbifold smoothly diffeomorphic to a given real analytic reduced orbifold and, by using results from equivariant differential topology, that quotient orbifold can be given a real analytic structure. The given real analytic reduced orbifold and the constructed real analytic quotient orbifold are then smoothly diffeomorphic. To obtain a real analytic diffeomorphism, one would need to be able to approximate smooth orbifold maps by real analytic ones in some topology resembling the Whitney topology for maps between real analytic manifolds.

4. Suborbifolds

In this section we briefly discuss suborbifolds. Suborbifolds will only be used in Section 11.

**Definition 4.1.** Let $X$ be an $n$-dimensional real analytic (resp. smooth) orbifold. We say that $Y$ is an $m$-dimensional real analytic (resp. smooth) suborbifold of $X$ if the following hold:

1. $Y$ is a subset of $X$ equipped with the subspace topology.
2. For each $y \in Y$ and for each neighborhood $W$ of $y$ in $X$, there is an orbifold chart $(\tilde{U}, G, \varphi)$ for $X$ with $U = \varphi(\tilde{U}) \subset W$, and a subset $\tilde{V}$ of $\tilde{U}$ such that $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi|\tilde{V})$ is a $m$-dimensional orbifold chart for $Y$ and $y \in \varphi(\tilde{V})$.
3. $\varphi(\tilde{V}) = U \cap Y$.

Notice that there exists an alternative definition of a suborbifold. That definition allows the group of the suborbifold chart to be any subgroup of the group of the corresponding orbifold chart and gives a strictly larger family of suborbifolds than ours.

**Theorem 4.2.** Let $X$ be a real analytic (resp. smooth) quotient orbifold and let $Y$ be a real analytic (resp. smooth) suborbifold of $X$. Then $Y$ is a quotient orbifold.

*Proof.* We prove the real analytic case, the smooth case is similar. Since $X$ is a real analytic quotient orbifold, there is a Lie group $G$ and a real analytic manifold $M$ on which $G$ acts via a proper real analytic almost free action such that the orbit space $M/G$ equals $X$. Let $\pi: M \to M/G$ be the natural projection. Then $\pi^{-1}(Y)$ is a $G$-invariant subset of $M$ on which $G$ acts properly and almost freely. It remains to show that $\pi^{-1}(Y)$ is a real analytic submanifold of $M$.

Let $y \in Y$ and let $W$ be a neighborhood of $y$ in $M/G$. Then $M/G$ has an orbifold chart $(\tilde{U}, G_{\tilde{y}}, \pi)$ where $\pi(\tilde{y}) = y$, $\tilde{U}$ is a linear slice at $\tilde{y}$ and $U = \pi(\tilde{U}) \subset W$. Moreover, $\tilde{U}$ has a subset $\tilde{V}$ such that $(\tilde{V}, G_{\tilde{y}}, \pi)$ is an orbifold chart for $Y$, $y \in \pi(\tilde{V})$ and $\pi(\tilde{V}) = U \cap Y$.

Clearly, $\tilde{V} \subset \pi^{-1}(Y) \cap \tilde{U}$. Since $\pi(\tilde{V}) = U \cap Y$, it follows that $\pi(\pi^{-1}(Y) \cap \tilde{U}) \subset \pi(\tilde{V})$. Thus $\pi^{-1}(Y) \cap \tilde{U} \subset G\tilde{V}$. Since $\tilde{U}$ is a slice at $\tilde{y}$, it follows that $g\tilde{U} \cap \tilde{U} = \emptyset$, for every $g \in G \setminus G_{\tilde{y}}$. Hence $\pi^{-1}(Y) \cap \tilde{U} \subset G_{\tilde{y}}\tilde{V} = \tilde{V}$. Thus $\tilde{V} = \pi^{-1}(Y) \cap \tilde{U}$ and we see that every orbifold chart of $Y$ is of the form $(\pi^{-1}(Y) \cap \tilde{U}, G_{\tilde{y}}, \pi)$ where $(\tilde{U}, G_{\tilde{y}}, \pi)$ is an orbifold chart of $M/G$. 


Now, $\pi^{-1}(Y)$ can be written as a union of twisted products $G \times_{G_{\pi}} (\pi^{-1}(Y) \cap \tilde{U}) = (G \times_{G_{\pi}} \tilde{U}) \cap \pi^{-1}(Y)$, where $(\tilde{U}, G_{\pi}, \pi)$ are orbifold charts of $M/G$. Since each $\pi^{-1}(Y) \cap \tilde{U}$ is a real analytic $G_{\pi}$-manifold, it follows that each twisted product is a proper real analytic $G$-manifold. Assume $\tilde{y} \in G \times_{G_{\pi}} (\pi^{-1}(Y) \cap \tilde{U}_i)$, for $i = 1, 2$. Then there is a slice $\tilde{U}$ at $\tilde{y}$ such that $G \times_{G_{\pi}} \tilde{U} \subset (G \times_{G_{\pi}} \tilde{U}_1) \cap (G \times_{G_{\pi}} \tilde{U}_2)$. Thus $G \times_{G_{\pi}} (\pi^{-1}(Y) \cap \tilde{U}) \subset G \times_{G_{\pi}} (\pi^{-1}(Y) \cap \tilde{U}_1) \cap G \times_{G_{\pi}} (\pi^{-1}(Y) \cap \tilde{U}_2)$ and it follows that $\pi^{-1}(Y)$ is a real analytic manifold. The group $G$ acts real analytically on $\pi^{-1}(Y)$, since the action is just the restriction of the action on $M$. \hfill \Box

5. SEMIANALYTIC AND SUBANALYTIC SUBSETS OF REAL ANALYTIC MANIFOLDS

Semianalytic sets were first studied by S. Lojasiewicz, see [11]. Subanalytic sets are a generalization of semianalytic sets, considered by Hironaka in [6]. We recall the definitions of semianalytic and subanalytic sets. See [2], [6] and [11] for their basic properties. Some elementary properties are also proved in [8].

Let $M$ be a real analytic manifold and let $U$ be an open subset of $M$. We denote by $C^\omega(U)$ the set of all real analytic maps $U \to \mathbb{R}$. The smallest family of subsets of $U$ containing all the sets $\{x \in U \mid f(x) > 0\}$, where $f \in C^\omega(U)$, which is stable under finite intersection, finite union and complement, is denoted by $S(C^\omega(U))$.

**Definition 5.1.** Let $M$ be a real analytic manifold. A subset $A$ of $M$ is called **semianalytic** if every point $x \in M$ has a neighborhood $U$ such that $A \cap U \in S(C^\omega(U))$.

Finite unions and finite intersections of semianalytic sets are semianalytic and the complement of a semianalytic set is semianalytic (Remark 2.2 in [6]). Also, the closure and the interior of a semianalytic set are semianalytic (Corollary 2.8 in [2]). Every connected component of a semianalytic set is semianalytic, and the family of the connected components of a semianalytic set is locally finite (Corollary 2.7 in [2]). Moreover, the union of any collection of connected components of a semianalytic set is semianalytic.

Let $A \subset M$. We say that $A$ is a **projection of a semianalytic set** if there exists a real analytic manifold $N$ and a semianalytic subset $B$ of $M \times N$ such that $A = p(B)$, where $p : M \times N \to M$ is the projection. We call $B$ **relatively compact**, if the closure $\overline{B}$ is compact.

**Definition 5.2.** Let $M$ be a real analytic manifold. A subset $A$ of $M$ is called **subanalytic** if every point $x \in M$ has a neighborhood $U$ such that $A \cap U$ is a projection of a relatively compact semianalytic set.

Every semianalytic set is subanalytic (Proposition 3.4. in [6]). For subanalytic sets that are not semianalytic, see Example 2 on p. 453 in [6] and Examples 1 and 2 on p. 134–135 in [11]. Finite unions and and finite intersections of subanalytic sets are subanalytic, and the complement of a subanalytic set is subanalytic (Proposition 3.2 in [6]). The closure and thus also the interior of a
subanalytic set is subanalytic (Corollary 3.7.9 in [6]). Connected components of a subanalytic set are subanalytic (Corollary 3.7.10 in [6]) and the family of the connected components of a subanalytic set is locally finite (Proposition 3.6 in [6]). The union of any collection of connected components of a subanalytic set is subanalytic.

**Definition 5.3.** Let $M$ and $N$ be real analytic manifolds and let $A$ be a semi-analytic (subanalytic) subset of $M$. A continuous map $f: A \to N$ is called semi-analytic (subanalytic) if its graph $\text{Gr}(f)$ is a semi-analytic (subanalytic) subset of $M \times N$.

Clearly, every real analytic map $M \to N$ is semi-analytic and every semi-analytic map is subanalytic.

We mention yet another important property of subanalytic sets:

**Theorem 5.4.** Let $M$ and $N$ be real analytic manifolds, let $A$ be a subanalytic subset of $M$ and let $B$ be a subanalytic subset of $N$. Let $f: M \to N$ be a real analytic map. Then $f^{-1}(B)$ is a subanalytic subset of $M$. If, in addition, $f$ is proper, then $f(A)$ is a subanalytic subset of $N$.

*Proof.* Proposition 3.8 in [6].

**Corollary 5.5.** Let $M$ and $N$ be real analytic manifolds, let $A$ be a subanalytic subset of $M$ and let $B$ be a subanalytic subset of $N$. Let $f: M \to N$ be a subanalytic map. Then $f^{-1}(B)$ is a subanalytic subset of $M$. If, in addition, $f$ is proper, then $f(A)$ is a subanalytic subset of $N$.

*Proof.* Corollary 4.23 in [8].

Notice that both in Proposition 3.8 in [6] and in Corollary 4.23 in [8], the statements about the inverse image $f^{-1}(B)$ are for proper maps. However, properness is not used in the proofs and the statements also hold when $f$ is not proper.

6. Semianalytic and subanalytic subsets of orbifolds

In this section we define semianalytic and subanalytic subsets for orbifolds and show that the basic properties that hold in the manifold case, mentioned in Section 5, also hold in the orbifold case.

**Definition 6.1.** Let $X$ be a real analytic orbifold. A subset $A$ of $X$ is called *semianalytic (subanalytic)* if for every point $x$ of $X$ there is an orbifold chart $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ of $X$ such that $x \in V = \varphi(\tilde{V})$ and $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is a semi-analytic (subanalytic) subset of $\tilde{V}$.

It is clear from Definition 6.1 that every semianalytic subset of $X$ is also subanalytic.

Let $M$ be a real analytic manifold. The trivial group acts on each chart of $M$, and it follows that $M$ is a real analytic orbifold. Thus a subset of $M$ can be semianalytic (subanalytic) either in the manifold sense or in the orbifold sense. In fact, for a real analytic manifold, the two definitions of semianalyticity (subanalytic) are equivalent:
Theorem 6.2. Let $M$ be a real analytic manifold and let $A \subset M$. Then $A$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in the manifold sense if and only if it is semianalytic (subanalytic) in the orbifold sense.

Proof. Assume first that $A$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in the manifold sense. Let $x \in M$ and let $(U, \varphi)$ be a chart of $M$ such that $x \in \varphi(U)$. Then $\varphi(U)$ is an open subset of $M$ and $A \cap \varphi(U)$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $\varphi(U)$. Since $\varphi: U \to \varphi(U)$ is a real analytic diffeomorphism, it follows that $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap \varphi(U))$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $U$. Thus $A$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in the orbifold sense.

Assume then that $A$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in the orbifold sense. Let $x \in M$. Then $M$ has a chart $(U, \varphi)$ such that $x \in \varphi(U)$ and $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap \varphi(U))$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $U$. It follows that $A \cap \varphi(U)$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $\varphi(U)$ in the manifold sense. Thus $\varphi(U)$ is a neighborhood of $x$ such that $A \cap \varphi(U)$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $\varphi(U)$, and it follows that $A$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) in the manifold sense. □

Lemma 6.3. Let $X$ be a real analytic orbifold and let $A$ be a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X$. Let $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ be an orbifold chart such that $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $\tilde{V}$, where $V = \varphi(\tilde{V})$. Let $(\lambda, h): (\tilde{U}, H, \psi) \to (\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ be an embedding between two orbifold charts and let $U = \psi(\tilde{U})$. Then $\psi^{-1}(A \cap U) = \lambda^{-1}(\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V))$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $\tilde{U}$.

Proof. The image $\lambda(\tilde{U})$ is open in $\tilde{V}$. Then $\lambda(\tilde{U}) \cap \varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $\lambda(\tilde{U})$. Since $\lambda$ is a real analytic diffeomorphism onto the image $\lambda(\tilde{U})$, it follows that $\psi^{-1}(A \cap U) = \lambda^{-1}(\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V))$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $\tilde{U}$. □

The following theorem lists some of the basic properties of semianalytic and subanalytic subsets of real analytic orbifolds. All properties follow from the corresponding properties of semianalytic and subanalytic subsets of real analytic manifolds.

Theorem 6.4. Let $X$ be a real analytic orbifold. Then

1. Finite unions of semianalytic (subanalytic) subsets of $X$ are semianalytic (subanalytic).
2. Finite intersections of semianalytic (subanalytic) subsets of $X$ are semianalytic (subanalytic).
3. A complement of a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X$ is semianalytic (subanalytic).
4. A closure of a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X$ is semianalytic (subanalytic).
5. An interior of a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X$ is semianalytic (subanalytic).
6. Every connected component of a semianalytic (subanalytic) set is semianalytic (subanalytic).
(7) The family of the connected components of a semianalytic (subanalytic) set is locally finite.

Proof. Let $A_i, i = 1, \ldots, n$, be semianalytic (subanalytic) subsets of $X$ and let $x \in X$. For every $i$, there is an orbifold chart $(\tilde{V}_i, G_i, \varphi_i)$, where $x \in V_i = \varphi_i(\tilde{V}_i)$, such that $\varphi_i^{-1}(A_i \cap V_i)$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $\tilde{V}_i$. Let $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ be an orbifold chart, where $x \in V = \varphi(\tilde{V})$, and such that there is an embedding $(\lambda_i, h_i): (\tilde{V}, G, \varphi) \to (\tilde{V}_i, G_i, \varphi_i)$, for every $i = 1, \ldots, n$. By Lemma 6.3, $\varphi^{-1}(A_i \cap V) = \{ \tilde{x} \in \tilde{V} : \varphi(\tilde{x}) \in A_i \cap V \}$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $\tilde{V}$. Then

$$\varphi^{-1}\left( \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \cap V \right) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \varphi^{-1}(A_i \cap V)$$

is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $\tilde{V}$. Thus $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $X$ and Claim (1) follows. The proof of Claim (2) is similar.

Let $A$ be a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X$ and let $x \in X$. Then there is an orbifold chart $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ of $X$ such that $x \in V = \varphi(\tilde{V})$ and $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $\tilde{V}$. But then $\varphi^{-1}((X \setminus A) \cap V) = \tilde{V} \setminus \varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $\tilde{V}$. Consequently, $X \setminus A$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $X$ and Claim (3) follows.

To prove Claim (4), let $A$ be a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X$, and let $x \in X$. Again, there exists an orbifold chart $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ such that $x \in V = \varphi(\tilde{V})$ and $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $\tilde{V}$. But then the closure $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is also a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $\tilde{V}$. Since $\varphi$ can be considered as the natural projection $\tilde{V} \to \tilde{V}/G \cong V$, it follows that $\varphi^{-1}(\overline{A} \cap V) = \varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$. Thus the closure $\overline{A}$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X$.

Since the interior of a set is the complement of the closure of its complement, Claim (5) follows from Claims (3) and (4).

Let $A$ be a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X$ and let $A_0$ be a connected component of $A$. Let $x \in X$ and let $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ be an orbifold chart such that $x \in \varphi(\tilde{V}) = V$ and $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $\tilde{V}$. Then every connected component of $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $\tilde{V}$ and $\varphi^{-1}(A_0 \cap V)$ is a union of some connected components of $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$. Thus $\varphi^{-1}(A_0 \cap V)$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset on $\tilde{V}$ and it follows that $A_0$ is semianalytic (subanalytic). This proves Claim (6). Let then $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{V}$ be such that $x = \varphi(\tilde{x})$. Then $\tilde{x}$ has a neighborhood $U$ in $\tilde{V}$ such that $U$ intersects only finitely many of the connected components of $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$. But then $\varphi(U)$ is a neighborhood of $x$ that intersects only finitely many connected components of $A$. Thus Claim (7) follows.

7. Semianalytic and subanalytic maps in the orbifold case

Definition 7.1. A map $f: X \to Y$ between two real analytic orbifolds is called real analytic (resp. semianalytic or subanalytic) if for every $x \in X$ there are orbifold charts $(\tilde{U}, G, \varphi)$ and $(\tilde{V}, H, \psi)$, where $x \in U$ and $f(x) \in V$, a homomorphism
\[ \theta: G \to H \] and a \( \theta \)-equivariant real analytic (resp. semianalytic or subanalytic) map \( \tilde{f}: \tilde{U} \to \tilde{V} \) making the following diagram commute:

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
\tilde{U} & \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}} & \tilde{V} \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\tilde{U}/G & \longrightarrow & \tilde{V}/H \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
U & \xrightarrow{f|_U} & V
\end{array}
\]

It follows that a real analytic (resp. semianalytic or subanalytic) map between two orbifolds is automatically continuous. Notice that a continuous map \( f: X \to Y \) does not necessarily have continuous local lifts \( \tilde{f} \) making the diagram in 7.1 commute. A continuous map that does have such local lifts is called an orbifold map. Thus, in particular, all real analytic, semianalytic and subanalytic maps between orbifolds are orbifold maps.

A real analytic map \( f: X \to Y \) is called a real analytic diffeomorphism, if it is a bijection with a real analytic inverse map.

**Lemma 7.2.** Let \( M \) be a real analytic manifold and let \( G \) be a finite group acting real analytically on \( M \). Let \( I \subset G \) and let \( A_I \) be the subset of \( M \) consisting of points \( x \) such that \( gx = x \) if and only if \( g \in I \). Then \( A_I \) is a semianalytic subset of \( M \).

**Proof.** Notice that \( A_I \neq \emptyset \) if and only if \( I \) equals the isotropy subgroup of some point in \( M \). For every \( g \in G \), let \( A_g = \{ x \in M \mid gx = x \} \). Then

\[
A_I = \bigcap_{g \in I} A_g \cap \bigcap_{g \in G \setminus I} M \setminus A_g.
\]

Let \( e: M \to \mathbb{R}^n \) be a proper real analytic embedding in some euclidean space, and let

\[
f_g: M \to \mathbb{R}, \ x \mapsto \|e(gx) - e(x)\|^2.
\]

Then \( f_g \) is a real analytic map and \( A_g = f_g^{-1}(0) \). Thus \( A_g \) is semianalytic. By the complement rule, also \( M \setminus A_g \) is semianalytic. It follows that \( A_I \) is semianalytic as an intersection of finitely many semianalytic sets. \( \square \)

Compare the following theorem to Definition 5.3:

**Theorem 7.3.** Let \( X \) and \( Y \) be real analytic orbifolds and let \( f: X \to Y \) be a continuous orbifold map. Then \( f \) is semianalytic (subanalytic) if and only if the graph \( \text{Gr}(f) \) is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of \( X \times Y \).

**Proof.** We prove the semianalytic case. The subanalytic case is similar.

Assume first that \( f \) is semianalytic. We show that the graph \( \text{Gr}(f) \) is a semianalytic subset of \( X \times Y \). Let \( (x, y) \in X \times Y \). If \( y \neq f(x) \), then \( y \) and \( f(x) \) have disjoint neighborhoods. Thus \( (x, y) \) has a neighborhood that does not intersect \( \text{Gr}(f) \) and, consequently, there is nothing to prove. Therefore, assume
$y = f(x)$. Then there are orbifold charts $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ and $(\tilde{U}, H, \psi)$ of $X$ and $Y$, respectively, such that $x \in V = \varphi(\tilde{V})$ and $y \in U = \psi(\tilde{U})$ and the restriction $f|_V$ has a semianalytic equivariant lift $\tilde{f}: \tilde{V} \to \tilde{U}$. Then the graph $Gr(\tilde{f})$ is a semianalytic subset of $\tilde{V} \times \tilde{U}$. Since $\tilde{f}$ is semianalytic and each $h \in H$ is a real analytic diffeomorphism of $\tilde{U}$, it follows that also the graphs $Gr(h \circ \tilde{f})$, $h \in H$, are semianalytic. Thus

\begin{equation}
(\varphi \times \psi)^{-1}(Gr(f) \cap (V \times U)) = \bigcup_{h \in H} Gr(h \circ \tilde{f})
\end{equation}

is semianalytic as a finite union of semianalytic sets. It follows that $Gr(f)$ is semianalytic in $X \times Y$.

Assume then that the graph $Gr(f)$ is semianalytic. We show that $f$ is semianalytic. Let $x \in X$, and let $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ and $(\tilde{U}, H, \psi)$ be orbifold charts of $X$ and $Y$, respectively, where $x \in V = \varphi(\tilde{V})$, $f(x) \in U = \psi(\tilde{U})$, and such that there is a continuous equivariant lift $\tilde{f}: \tilde{V} \to \tilde{U}$ of $f|_V$. Choosing $V$ and $U$ to be sufficiently small, we may assume that $(\varphi \times \psi)^{-1}(Gr(f) \cap (V \times U))$ is a semianalytic subset of $\tilde{V} \times \tilde{U}$. Now, equation (1) holds and we will show that $Gr(\tilde{f})$ is a semianalytic subset of $\tilde{V} \times \tilde{U}$.

For any subset $I$ of $H$, let $A_I$ be the set of points $(z, w) \in \tilde{V} \times \tilde{U}$ such that $(z, w) = (z, hw)$ if and only if $h \in I$. By Lemma 7.2, each $A_I$ is semianalytic in $\tilde{V} \times \tilde{U}$. It follows that each intersection

$$B_I = (\varphi \times \psi)^{-1}(Gr(f) \cap (V \times U)) \cap A_I$$

is semianalytic. Now, $Gr(\tilde{f}) \cap A_I$ is a union of some connected components of $B_I$ that form a locally finite family in $\tilde{V} \times \tilde{U}$. Since connected components of semianalytic sets are semianalytic, it follows that $Gr(\tilde{f}) \cap A_I$ is semianalytic for every $I \subset H$. Therefore,

$$Gr(\tilde{f}) = \bigcup_{I \subset H} (Gr(\tilde{f}) \cap A_I)$$

is semianalytic as a finite union of semianalytic sets. It follows that $f$ is semianalytic.

\section{Elementary properties}

In this section we present some basic properties of semianalytic sets and maps.

\begin{lemma}
Let $X$ be a real analytic orbifold. Let $A$ be a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X$ and let $W$ be an open subset of $X$. Then $A \cap W$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $W$.
\end{lemma}

\begin{proof}
The claim follows easily from Lemma 6.3.
\end{proof}

\begin{lemma}
Let $X$ be a real analytic orbifold. Then a subset $A$ of $X$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) if and only if every point $x \in X$ has an open neighborhood $U$ such that $A \cap U$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $U$.
\end{lemma}
Proof. If $A$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X$, we can choose $U$ to equal $X$ for all $x \in X$. Assume then that $A$ is a subset of $X$ having the property that every $x \in X$ has an open neighborhood $U_x$ for which $A \cap U_x$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $U_x$. Let $x \in X$. Then there exists an orbifold chart $(V, G, \varphi)$ with $x \in \varphi(V) = V \subset U_x$ such that $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $\tilde{V}$. Since this holds for any $x \in X$, it follows that $A$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $X$.

Compare the following proposition to Definition 6.1.

**Proposition 8.3.** Let $X$ be a real analytic orbifold and let $A \subset X$. Then $A$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X$ if and only if $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $\tilde{V}$ for any orbifold chart $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ of $X$, where $V = \varphi(\tilde{V})$.

**Proof.** We prove the subanalytic case. The semianalytic case is similar, just the word "subanalytic" should everywhere be replaced by the word "semianalytic". If $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is a subanalytic subset of $\tilde{V}$ for every orbifold chart $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ of $X$, then it follows from Definition 6.1 that $A$ is subanalytic.

Assume then that $A$ is subanalytic. Let $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ be an orbifold chart of $X$, and let $V = \varphi(\tilde{V})$. We have to show that $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is a subanalytic subset of $\tilde{V}$. Let $\tilde{y} \in \tilde{V}$. Then $y = \varphi(\tilde{y}) \in V$. Since $A$ is a subanalytic subset of $X$, there is an orbifold chart $(\tilde{W}, H, \psi)$ such that $y \in \psi(\tilde{W}) = W$ and $\psi^{-1}(A \cap W)$ is a subanalytic subset of $\tilde{W}$. Choosing $W$ to be sufficiently small and using Lemma 6.3, we may assume that there is an embedding $(\lambda, h): (\tilde{W}, H, \psi) \to (V, G, \varphi)$. Since $\psi^{-1}(A \cap W)$ is subanalytic in $\tilde{W}$, it follows that $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V) \cap \lambda(\tilde{W}) = \lambda(\psi^{-1}(A \cap W))$ is subanalytic in $\lambda(\tilde{W})$. Thus, for some $g \in G$, $g\lambda(\tilde{W})$ is a neighborhood of $\tilde{y}$ such that $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V) \cap g\lambda(\tilde{W})$ is subanalytic in $g\lambda(\tilde{W})$. Since $\tilde{y}$ was an arbitrary point of $\tilde{V}$, it follows that $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is subanalytic in $\tilde{V}$.

**Lemma 8.4.** Let $X$ be a real analytic orbifold and let $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a locally finite family of semianalytic (subanalytic) subsets of $X$. Then $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X$.

**Proof.** Let $x \in X$. Then $x$ has an open neighborhood $U$ such that $U \cap A_i = \emptyset$, except for finitely many indices $i \in I$, say $i = 1, \ldots, n$. The finite union $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $X$. By Lemma 8.1, $(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) \cap U = (\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i) \cap U$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $U$. Since $x$ was chosen arbitrarily, it follows from Lemma 8.2 that $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ is semianalytic (subanalytic) in $X$.

**Lemma 8.5.** Let $X$ and $Y$ be real analytic orbifolds, $A$ a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X$ and $B$ a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $Y$. Then $A \times B$ is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of $X \times Y$.

**Proof.** Let $(x, y) \in X \times Y$. Then there are orbifold charts $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ and $(\tilde{U}, H, \psi)$ of $X$ and $Y$, such that $x \in \varphi(\tilde{V}) = V$ and $y \in \psi(\tilde{U}) = U$ and $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ and $\psi^{-1}(B \cap U)$ are semianalytic (subanalytic) in $\tilde{V}$ and $\tilde{U}$, respectively. Since the product of semianalytic (subanalytic) sets is semianalytic (subanalytic) in the
manifold case (Lemmas 4.5 and 4.17 in [8]), the set \((\varphi \times \psi)^{-1}((A \times B) \cap (V \times U)) = \varphi^{-1}(A \cap V) \times \psi^{-1}(B \cap U)\) is semianalytic (subanalytic) in \(\tilde{V} \times \tilde{U}\).

**Proposition 8.6.** Let \(X_1, X_2, Y_1\) and \(Y_2\) be real analytic orbifolds and let \(f_1: X_1 \to Y_1\) and \(f_2: X_2 \to Y_2\) be semianalytic (subanalytic) maps. Then the map

\[f_1 \times f_2: X_1 \times X_2 \to Y_1 \times Y_2, \quad (x_1, x_2) \mapsto (f_1(x_1), f_2(x_2)),\]

is semianalytic (subanalytic).

**Proof.** By Theorem 7.3 and Lemma 8.5, \(\text{Gr}(f_1) \times \text{Gr}(f_2)\) is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of \(X_1 \times X_2 \times Y_1 \times Y_2\). Let

\[f: X_1 \times Y_1 \times X_2 \times Y_2 \to X_1 \times X_2 \times Y_1 \times Y_2\]

be the map changing the order of coordinates. Since \(f\) is a real analytic orbifold diffeomorphism, it follows that \(\text{Gr}(f_1 \times f_2) = f(\text{Gr}(f_1) \times \text{Gr}(f_2))\) is semianalytic (subanalytic) in \(X_1 \times X_2 \times Y_1 \times Y_2\). The claim now follows from Theorem 7.3.

**Proposition 8.7.** Let \(X, Y_1\) and \(Y_2\) be real analytic orbifolds and let \(f_1: X \to Y_1\) and \(f_2: X \to Y_2\) be semianalytic (subanalytic) maps. Then the map

\[(f_1, f_2): X \to Y_1 \times Y_2, \quad x \mapsto (f_1(x), f_2(x)),\]

is semianalytic (subanalytic).

**Proof.** Since \(f_1\) and \(f_2\) are semianalytic (subanalytic), it follows from Lemma 8.5, that \(\text{Gr}(f_1) \times Y_2\) and \(\text{Gr}(f_2) \times Y_1\) are semianalytic (subanalytic) subsets of \(X \times Y_1 \times Y_2\) and \(X \times Y_2 \times Y_1\), respectively. Let \(f: X \times Y_2 \times Y_1 \to X \times Y_1 \times Y_2\) be the map changing the order of coordinates. Then \(f(\text{Gr}(f_2) \times Y_1)\) is a semianalytic (subanalytic) subset of \(X \times Y_1 \times Y_2\). Therefore,

\[\text{Gr}((f_1, f_2)) = (\text{Gr}(f_1) \times Y_2) \cap f(\text{Gr}(f_2) \times Y_1)\]

is semianalytic (subanalytic) as an intersection of two semianalytic (subanalytic) sets. It follows from Theorem 7.3, that \((f_1, f_2)\) is semianalytic (subanalytic).

9. Images and inverse images

In this section we study images and inverse images of semi- and subanalytic sets in the orbifold case. The orbifold case is completely analogous to the manifold case, compare Theorem 9.3 to Corollary 5.5.

**Lemma 9.1.** Let \(X\) and \(Y\) be real analytic orbifolds and let \(f: X \to Y\) be a real analytic map. If \(B\) is a semianalytic subset of \(Y\), then \(f^{-1}(B)\) is a semianalytic subset of \(X\).

**Proof.** Let \(x \in X\). Then there are orbifold charts \((\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)\) and \((\tilde{U}, H, \psi)\) of \(X\) and \(Y\), respectively, such that \(x \in V = \varphi(\tilde{V})\), \(f(x) \in U = \psi(\tilde{U})\) and \(f|V\) has a real analytic equivariant lift \(\tilde{f}: \tilde{V} \to \tilde{U}\). By Proposition 8.3, \(\psi^{-1}(B \cap U)\) is a semianalytic subset of \(\tilde{U}\). Since the inverse image of a semianalytic set is semianalytic in the manifold case (Lemma 4.6 in [8]), it follows that \(\varphi^{-1}(f^{-1}(B) \cap V) = \tilde{f}^{-1}(\psi^{-1}(B \cap U))\) is a semianalytic subset of \(\tilde{V}\).
Lemma 9.2. Let $X$ be a real analytic orbifold, let $x \in X$ and let $U$ be a neighborhood of $x$. Then $x$ has a relatively compact neighborhood $O$ such that $\overline{O} \subset U$ and $O$ is a semianalytic subset of $X$.

Proof. Let $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ be an orbifold chart such that $x \in \varphi(\tilde{V}) = V \subset U$. Let $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{V}$ be such that $\varphi(\tilde{x}) = x$. Now, let $\tilde{O} \subset \tilde{V}$ be a ball with $\tilde{x}$ as a center. We assume the radius of $\tilde{O}$ to be so small that $\overline{\tilde{O}}$ is compact. Then $\tilde{O}$ is relatively compact and semianalytic. Thus $O = \varphi(\tilde{O})$ is a relatively compact neighborhood of $x$ with $\overline{O} \subset V$. Moreover, $O$ is semianalytic, since $\varphi^{-1}(O) = \bigcup_{g \in G}(g\tilde{O})$ is semianalytic as a finite union of semianalytic sets.

Theorem 9.3. Let $X$ and $Y$ be real analytic orbifolds and let $f: X \to Y$ be a subanalytic map. If $B$ is a subanalytic subset of $Y$, then $f^{-1}(B)$ is a subanalytic subset of $X$. If, in addition, $f$ is a proper map, then the image $f(A)$ of any subanalytic subset $A$ of $X$ is subanalytic in $Y$.

Proof. Let $B$ be a subanalytic subset of $Y$. Let $x \in X$ and let $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ and $(\tilde{U}, H, \psi)$ be orbifold charts of $X$ and $Y$, respectively, such that $x \in V = \varphi(\tilde{V})$, $f(x) \in U = \psi(\tilde{U})$, and $f|V$ has a subanalytic equivariant lift $\tilde{f}: \tilde{V} \to \tilde{U}$. By Proposition 8.3, $\psi^{-1}(B \cap U)$ is a subanalytic subset of $\tilde{U}$. By Corollary 5.5, the inverse image $\tilde{f}^{-1}(\psi^{-1}(B \cap U))$ is subanalytic in $\tilde{V}$. The first claim follows, since $\varphi^{-1}(f^{-1}(B) \cap V) = \tilde{f}^{-1}(\psi^{-1}(B \cap U))$.

Assume then that $f$ is a proper map and that $A$ is a subanalytic subset of $X$. Remembering that orbifolds are paracompact and using Lemma 9.2, it is possible to construct a locally finite open cover $\{O_i\}_{i \in I}$ of $X$ such that each $O_i$ is subanalytic and each closure $\overline{O}_i$ is compact, $\overline{O}_i \subset V_i$ and each restriction $f_i: V_i \to U_i$ has a subanalytic equivariant lift $\tilde{f}_i: \tilde{V}_i \to \tilde{U}_i$, where $(\tilde{V}_i, G_i, \varphi_i)$ and $(\tilde{U}_i, H_i, \psi_i)$ are orbifold charts of $X$ and $Y$, respectively, and $V_i = \varphi_i(\tilde{V}_i)$ and $U_i = \psi_i(\tilde{U}_i)$.

Since $A \cap \overline{O}_i$ is subanalytic in $X$, it follows from Proposition 8.3 that $\varphi_i^{-1}(A \cap \overline{O}_i)$ is subanalytic in $\tilde{V}_i$. Since $\varphi_i^{-1}(A \cap \overline{O}_i)$ is relatively compact and since $\tilde{f}_i$ is subanalytic, it follows from Corollary 5.5 that $\tilde{f}_i(\varphi_i^{-1}(A \cap \overline{O}_i))$ is subanalytic in $\tilde{U}_i$. But then also $h(\tilde{f}(\varphi_i^{-1}(A \cap \overline{O}_i)))$ is subanalytic in $\tilde{U}_i$, for every $h \in H_i$.

Therefore,

$$\psi_i^{-1}(f(A \cap \overline{O}_i)) = \bigcup_{h \in H_i} h(\tilde{f}(\varphi_i^{-1}(A \cap \overline{O}_i)))$$

is subanalytic in $\tilde{U}_i$ as a finite union of subanalytic sets. Thus $f(A \cap \overline{O}_i)$ is a subanalytic subset of $Y$, for every $i \in I$. Since $f$ is a proper map, and the cover $\{\overline{O}_i\}_{i \in I}$ is locally finite, it follows that the family $\{f(A \cap \overline{O}_i)\}_{i \in I}$ is also locally finite. It now follows from Lemma 8.4 that

$$f(A) = \bigcup_{i \in I} f(A \cap \overline{O}_i)$$

is a subanalytic subset of $Y$. □
Corollary 9.4. Let $X$, $Y$ and $Z$ be real analytic orbifolds and let $f: X \to Y$ and $g: Y \to Z$ be subanalytic maps. Assume $g$ is proper. Then the composed map $g \circ f: X \to Z$ is subanalytic.

Proof. Let $id$ be the identity map of $X$. By Proposition 8.6, the map $id \times g: X \times Y \to X \times Z$ is subanalytic. Since $id \times g$ is a proper map and the set $\text{Gr}(f)$ is subanalytic in $X \times Y$ by Theorem 7.3, it follows from Theorem 9.3 that $\text{Gr}(g \circ f) = (id \times g)\text{Gr}(f)$ is subanalytic in $X \times Z$. Since $g \circ f$ is a continuous orbifold map, it follows from Theorem 7.3, that $g \circ f$ is subanalytic. □

10. An alternative definition of a subanalytic set

In this section we show that subanalytic subsets of real analytic orbifolds could in fact be defined in the same way as the subanalytic subsets of real analytic manifolds.

Let $X$ be a real analytic orbifold and let $A \subset X$. We say that $A$ is a projection of a semianalytic set if there exists a real analytic orbifold $Y$ and a semianalytic subset $B$ of $X \times Y$ such that $A = p(B)$, where $p: X \times Y \to X$ is the projection.

Theorem 10.1. Let $X$ be a real analytic orbifold and let $A \subset X$. Then $A$ is a subanalytic subset of $X$ if and only if every point $x$ of $X$ has a neighborhood $U$ such that $A \cap U$ is a projection of a relatively compact semianalytic set.

Proof. First, let us assume that $A$ is a subanalytic subset of $X$. Let $x \in X$. Then there is an orbifold chart $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ such that $x \in V = \varphi(\tilde{V})$ and $\varphi^{-1}(A \cap V)$ is subanalytic in $\tilde{V}$. Let $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{V}$ be such that $x = \varphi(\tilde{x})$. Then $\tilde{x}$ has a neighborhood $W$ in $\tilde{V}$ such that there is a real analytic manifold $M$ and a relatively compact semianalytic subset $B$ of $\tilde{V} \times M$ with $\tilde{p}(B) = \varphi^{-1}(A \cap V) \cap W$, where $\tilde{p}: \tilde{V} \times M \to \tilde{V}$ is the projection.

The product $X \times M$ is a real analytic orbifold. Let $p: X \times M \to X$ be the projection and let $id$ be the identity map of $M$. Then

$$\varphi \circ \tilde{p} = p \circ (\varphi \times id).$$

The set $(\varphi \times id)(B)$ is relatively compact and it is semianalytic since its inverse image $(\varphi \times id)^{-1}((\varphi \times id)(B))$ in $\tilde{V} \times M$ equals the union

$$\bigcup_{g \in G} (gB),$$

which is semianalytic as a finite union of semianalytic sets. Since $p((\varphi \times id)(B)) = (A \cap V) \cap \varphi(W) = A \cap \varphi(W)$, and since $\varphi(W)$ is an open neighborhood of $x$, the claim follows.

Let us then assume that the condition of the theorem holds. Let $x \in X$. Then there is a real analytic orbifold $Y$ and a relatively compact semianalytic subset $B$ of $X \times Y$ such that $A \cap U = p(B)$, where $p: X \times Y \to X$ is the projection and $U$ is some neighborhood of $x$. Let $(\tilde{V}, G, \varphi)$ be an orbifold chart such that $V = \varphi(\tilde{V})$ is a relatively compact semianalytic set and $x \in V \subset \overline{V} \subset U$. Let
Let orbifold charts $(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y})$ be the projection. By using Theorem 5.4, one can show that 

$$A = \varphi^{-1}(p((B \cap p^{-1}(V')) \cap (\tilde{V} \times \tilde{W}_j))) = \tilde{p}((\varphi \times \psi_j)^{-1}((B \cap p^{-1}(V')) \cap (\tilde{V} \times \tilde{W}_j)))$$

is a subanalytic subset of $\tilde{V}$, for every $j$. It follows that 

$$A \cap V' = \varphi^{-1}(p(B) \cap V') = \varphi^{-1}(p((B \cap p^{-1}(V')) \cap (\tilde{V} \times \tilde{W}_j))) = \bigcup_{j=1}^{n} B_j$$

is a subanalytic subset of $\tilde{V}$. Consequently, $A \cap V'$ is a subanalytic subset of $X$. By Lemma 8.2, $A$ is subanalytic.

\[\square\]

11. The uniformization theorem

In this section we prove a uniformization theorem for closed subanalytic subsets of real analytic quotient orbifolds. See Theorem 0.1 in [2], for the uniformization theorem in the manifold case. Our result follows from Theorem 2 in [9] which is an equivariant version of Theorem 0.1 in [2].

**Definition 11.1.** Let $X$ be a real analytic orbifold (resp. manifold) and let $A$ be a subanalytic subset of $X$. Let $x \in A$. Then $x$ is a smooth point of $A$ of dimension $k$ if $A \cap U$ is a real analytic suborbifold (resp. submanifold) of dimension $k$ of $X$ for some neighborhood $U$ of $x$. The dimension of $A$ is the highest dimension of its smooth points.

**Lemma 11.2.** Let $G$ be a Lie group and let $M$ be a proper real analytic $G$-manifold. Assume the action of $G$ on $M$ is almost free. Let $\pi: M \to M/G$ be the natural projection and let $A$ be a subanalytic subset of $M/G$. Then $\pi^{-1}(A)$ is a subanalytic $G$-invariant subset of $M$ and $\dim \pi^{-1}(A) = \dim A + \dim G$.

**Proof.** Since $\pi$ is a real analytic map, it follows from Theorem 9.3, that $\pi^{-1}(A)$ is subanalytic. Clearly, $\pi^{-1}(A)$ is $G$-invariant. Let $U$ be an open subset of $M$ such that $\pi^{-1}(A) \cap U$ is a real analytic manifold. Then, for every $g \in G$, $\pi^{-1}(A) \cap gU = g(\pi^{-1}(A) \cap U)$ is a real analytic manifold. Consequently, $\pi^{-1}(A) \cap GU$ is a real
analytic manifold and \( A \cap \pi(U) \) is a real analytic orbifold. Since \( G \) acts almost freely on \( M \), \( \dim G/G_x = \dim G \), for every \( x \in M \). It follows that
\[
\dim (\pi^{-1}(A) \cap G U) = \dim (A \cap \pi(U)) + \dim G.
\]
Thus \( \dim \pi^{-1}(A) \leq \dim A + \dim G \).

Let then \( V \) be an open subset of \( M/G \) such that \( A \cap V \) is a real analytic suborbifold of \( M/G \). By Theorem 4.2, \( \pi^{-1}(A) \cap \pi^{-1}(V) = \pi^{-1}(A\cap V) \) is a proper real analytic \( G \)-manifold on which \( G \) acts almost freely. Thus
\[
\dim (\pi^{-1}(A) \cap \pi^{-1}(V)) = \dim (A \cap V) + \dim G.
\]
It follows that \( \dim A \leq \dim \pi^{-1}(A) - \dim G \), which completes the proof.

**Theorem 11.3.** Let \( X \) be a real analytic quotient orbifold. Let \( A \) be a closed subanalytic subset of \( X \). Then there is a real analytic orbifold \( Y \) of the same dimension as \( A \) and a proper real analytic map \( f : Y \to X \) such that \( f(Y) = A \).

**Proof.** Since \( X \) is a quotient orbifold, there is a real analytic manifold \( M \) and a Lie group \( G \) acting on \( M \) real analytically, properly and with finite isotropy groups such that \( X \) equals the orbit space \( M/G \). Thus we can consider \( A \) as a subset of \( M/G \). Let \( \pi : M \to M/G \) be the natural projection. Then \( \pi^{-1}(A) \) is a closed subanalytic \( G \)-invariant subset of \( M \). By Theorem 2 in [9], there exists a proper real analytic \( G \)-manifold \( N \), of the same dimension as \( \pi^{-1}(A) \) and a proper real analytic \( G \)-equivariant map \( f : N \to M \) such that \( f(N) = \pi^{-1}(A) \).

Since the isotropy group of each point of \( M \) is finite and since \( G_x \subset G_{f(x)} \), for every \( x \in N \), it follows that the isotropy group of any point of \( N \) is finite. Thus the orbit space \( N/G \) is a real analytic quotient orbifold. The induced map \( \tilde{f} : N/G \to M/G = X \) is a real analytic orbifold map and \( \tilde{f}(N/G) = \pi(f(N)) = A \). By Lemma 11.2,
\[
\dim N/G = \dim N - \dim G = \dim \pi^{-1}(A) - \dim G = \dim A,
\]
and the claim follows. \( \square \)

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