Stable multigerms, simple multigerms and asymmetric Cantor sets

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ABSTRACT. In this short note, we first show (1) if (n, p) lies inside Mather's nice region then any \mathcal{A} -stable multigerm $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ and any C^{∞} unfolding of f are \mathcal{A} -simple, and (2) for any (n, p) there exists a non-negative integer i such that for any integer j $((i \leq j))$ there exists an \mathcal{A} -stable multigerm $f : (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^j, S \times \{0\}) \to (\mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^j, (0, 0))$ which is not \mathcal{A} -simple. Next, we obtain a characterization of curves among multigerms of corank at most one from the view point of \mathcal{A} -stable multigerms and \mathcal{A} -simple multigerms. It turns out that for any (n, p) such that n < p an asymmetric Cantor set is naturally constructed by using upper bounds for multiplicities of \mathcal{A} -stable multigerms, and the desired characterization of curves can be obtained by cardinalities of constructed asymmetric Cantor sets.

1. Introduction

For a finite subset $S = \{s_1, \ldots, s_r\}$ $(s_i \neq s_j \text{ if } i \neq j)$ of \mathbb{R}^n we let $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ be a C^{∞} map-germ, which is called a *multigerm*. For any i $(1 \leq i \leq r)$ the restriction of f to (\mathbb{R}^n, s_i) is called a *branch of* f and it is denoted by f_i . The integer r is called the *number of branches of* f. Two multigerms $f, g : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ are said to be \mathcal{A} -equivalent if there exist germs of C^{∞} diffeomorphisms $\varphi : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^n, S)$ with the condition that $\varphi(s_i) = s_i$ for any i $(1 \leq i \leq r)$ and $\psi : (\mathbb{R}^p, 0) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ such that $f = \psi \circ g \circ \varphi^{-1}$.

A multigerm $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ is said to be \mathcal{A} -stable if for any positive integer d and any C^{∞} multigerm $F : (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^d, S \times \{0\})) \to (\mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^d, (0, 0))$ of the form $F(x, \lambda) = (f_{\lambda}(x), \lambda)$ and $f_0 = f$, there exist germs of C^{∞} diffeomorphisms H : $(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^d, S \times \{0\})) \to (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^d, S \times \{0\}))$ with the condition that $H((s_i, 0)) = (s_i, 0)$ for any i $(1 \le i \le r), \tilde{H} : (\mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^d, (0, 0)) \to (\mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^d, (0, 0))$ and $h : (\mathbb{R}^d, 0) \to$ $(\mathbb{R}^d, 0)$ such that the following diagram commutes, where $\pi : (\mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^d, (0, 0)) \to$ $(\mathbb{R}^d, 0)$ stands for the canonical projection.

$$\begin{array}{cccc} (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^d, (S, 0)) & \xrightarrow{F} & (\mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^d, (0, 0)) & \xrightarrow{\pi} & (\mathbb{R}^d, 0) \\ & & & \\ H & & & & \\ & & & \\ (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^d, (S, 0)) & \xrightarrow{(f, \pi)} & (\mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^d, (0, 0)) & \xrightarrow{\pi} & (\mathbb{R}^d, 0) \end{array}$$

A multigerm $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ is said to be \mathcal{A} -simple if there exists a finite number of \mathcal{A} -equivalence classes such that for any positive integer d and any C^{∞} map $F : U \to V$ where $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^d$ is a neighbourhood of $S \times 0, V \subset \mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^d$ is a neighbourhood of $(0,0), F(x,\lambda) = (f_\lambda(x),\lambda)$ and $f_0 = f$, there exists a sufficiently small neighbourhood $W \subset U$ of $S \times 0$ such that for any $\{(x_1,\lambda), \cdots, (x_r,\lambda)\} \subset W$ with $F(x_1,\lambda) = \cdots = F(x_r,\lambda)$ the multigerm $f_\lambda : (\mathbb{R}^n, \{x_1,\ldots,x_r\}) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, f_\lambda(x_i))$ lies in one of these finite \mathcal{A} -equivalence classes.

- THEOREM 1.1. (1) Suppose that a pair of dimensions (n, p) lies inside the nice region due to Mather. Then any \mathcal{A} -stable multigerm $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ and any C^{∞} unfolding of f are \mathcal{A} -simple.
- (2) For any par of dimensions (n, p) there exists a non-negative integer *i* such that for any integer *j* $((i \leq j))$ there exists an *A*-stable multigerm *f* : $(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^j, S \times \{0\}) \to (\mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^j, (0, 0))$ which is not *A*-simple.

For the definition of Mather's nice region, see [M6]. Note that any C^{∞} unfolding of an \mathcal{A} -stable multigerm is \mathcal{A} -stable by Mather's characterization of \mathcal{A} -stable multigerms ([M4]). Thus, by (1) of Theorem 1.1, the non-negative integer *i* given in (2) of Theorem 1.1 must satisfy the condition that (n+i, p+i) lies outside Mather's nice region. Topological properties of \mathcal{A} -stable map-germs which are \mathcal{A} -simple have been well investigated (for instance, see [D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, DG]).

Let C_S (resp. C_0) be the set of C^{∞} function-germs $(\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to \mathbb{R}$ (resp. $(\mathbb{R}^p, 0) \to \mathbb{R}$). Let m_S (resp. m_0) be the subset of C_S (resp. C_0) consisting of C^{∞} function-germs $(\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}, 0)$ (resp. $(\mathbb{R}^p, 0) \to (\mathbb{R}, 0)$). The sets C_S and C_0 have natural \mathbb{R} -algebra structures induced by the \mathbb{R} -algebra structure of \mathbb{R} . For a multigerm $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$, let $f^* : C_0 \to C_S$ be the \mathbb{R} -algebra homomorphism defined by $f^*(u) = u \circ f$. Put $Q(f) = C_S/f^*(m_0)C_S$. The dimension of Q(f) as a real vector space is called the *multiplicity* of f, and in the case that $n \leq p$ it is finite for an \mathcal{A} -stable multigerm and also for an \mathcal{A} -simple multigerm. In order to obtain a characterization of curves we construct the natural construction of an asymmetric Cantor set for a given pair of dimensions (n, p) such that n < p. For the construction we first recall the known upper bounds for multiplicities. In [M6, Mn] Theorem 1.2 of the case that r = 1 is proved. However, in [CTC] Wall clarifies the meaning of $\gamma(f)$ given in [M6] and by using his homomorphism $\overline{t}f : Q(f)^n \to Q(f)^p$ Theorem 1.2 for general r can be proved easily. Thus the proof of it is omitted in this paper.

THEOREM 1.2 ([M6, Mn]). Let $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ $(n \leq p)$ be an \mathcal{A} -stable multigerm with corank at most one. Then, the multiplicity of f is restricted in the following way.

$$\dim_{\mathbb{R}} Q(f) \le \frac{p+r}{p-n+1}.$$

THEOREM 1.3 ([N]). Let $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ $(n \leq p, 1 < p)$ be an A-simple multigerm with corank at most one. Then, the multiplicity of f is restricted in the following way.

$$\dim_{\mathbb{R}} Q(f) \le \frac{p^2 + (n-1)r}{n(p-n) + (n-1)}$$

Here corank at most one for f means that $\max\{n - \operatorname{rank} Jf_i(s_i) \mid 1 \le i \le r\} \le 1$ holds, where $Jf_i(s_i)$ is the Jacobian matrix of the restriction f_i of f at s_i . It is known that Theorem 1.2 gives the best possible bound and in the classification results of \mathcal{A} -simple map-germs ([**BG**, **GH1**, **GH2**, **HsK**, **HnK**, **KPR**, **KS**, **MT**, **Md**, **R**, **WA**]) Theorem 1.3 gives the best possible bound (but, in the case (n, p, r) = (1, p, 1) such that 5 < p, Theorem 1.3 does not give the best possible bound since the effect of fencing curves can not be disregarded as shown in [**A**]). It is known also that every \mathcal{A} -stable multigerm with corank at most one is \mathcal{A} -simple.

For the number of branches also, there are upper bounds.

THEOREM 1.4. For any A-stable multigerm $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ (n < p) the number of branches of f is restricted in the following way.

$$r \le \frac{p}{p-n}.$$

THEOREM 1.5 ([N]). For any \mathcal{A} -simple multigerm $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0) \ (n < p)$ the number of branches r is restricted in the following way.

$$r < \frac{p^2}{n(p-n)}.$$

Since for any positive integer r a smooth finite covering with r fibers is A-stable and A-simple, there exists an upper bounds for the number of branches of neither an A-stable multigerm nor an A-simple multigerm in the case that n = p.

Now, we construct the natural asymmetric Cantor set for a given pair of dimensions (n, p) such that n < p motivated by Theorems 1.2, 1.3, 1.4 and 1.5. For a given pair of dimensions (n, p) such that n < p we put

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_{stable,(n,p)}(x) &= \frac{p+x}{p-n+1} \\ \varphi_{simple,(n,p)}(x) &= \frac{p^2+(n-1)x}{n(p-n)+(n-1)} \end{aligned}$$

Then, note that $\frac{p}{p-n}$ (resp. $\frac{p^2}{n(p-n)}$) is the unique fixed point of the affine function $\varphi_{stable,(n,p)}$: $\mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ (resp. $\varphi_{simple,(n,p)}$: $\mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$). Since for any multigerm $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ the multiplicity of f must be greater than or equal to the number of branches, these phenomena suggest that for any i $(1 \le i \le r)$ the branch f_i must be immersive (in other words, $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} Q(f_i) = 1$) if $\frac{p}{p-n} - r < 1$ (resp. $\frac{p^2}{n(p-n)} - r < 1$) for an \mathcal{A} -stable multigerm (resp. an \mathcal{A} -simple multigerm) f of corank at most one. Furthermore, note that both of $\varphi_{stable,(n,p)}$ and $\varphi_{simple,(n,p)}$ are contractive. Again since for any multigerm $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ the multiplicity of f must be greater than or equal to the number of branches, these phenomena suggest that the distribution of multiplicities of branches of f may be uncontrollable.

Let $\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{R})$ be the set of non-empty compact subsets of \mathbb{R} . Then, it is known that $\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{R})$ is a complete metric space with respect to the Pompeiu-Hausdorff metric (see $[\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{F}]$). Define the map $\Phi_{(n,p)} : \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{R}) \to \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{R})$ as

$$\Phi_{(n,p)}(X) = \varphi_{stable,(n,p)}(X) \cup \varphi_{simple,(n,p)}(X).$$

Then, since both of $\varphi_{stable,(n,p)}$ and $\varphi_{simple,(n,p)}$ are contractive, $\Phi_{(n,p)}$ is contractive too (see [**B**, **F**]). Therefore, by Banach's contraction mapping theorem, we see that there exists the unique fixed point of $\Phi_{(n,p)}$, which is denoted by $\mathcal{C}_{(n,p)}$.

Note that the distribution of $(\dim_{\mathbb{R}} Q(f_1), \ldots, \dim_{\mathbb{R}} Q(f_r))$ for possible \mathcal{A} -stable multigerms (resp. \mathcal{A} -simple multigerms) $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ of corank at most one

is restricted by the coefficient of the linear term $\frac{1}{p-n+1}$ (resp. $\frac{n-1}{n(p-n)+(n-1)}$) and the fixed point $\frac{p}{p-n}$ (resp. $\frac{p^2}{n(p-n)}$) of the affine function $\varphi_{stable,(n,p)}$ (resp. $\varphi_{simple,(n,p)}$). On the other hand, the set $\mathcal{C}_{(n,p)}$ is constructed only by using these four rational numbers $\frac{1}{p-n+1}$, $\frac{n-1}{n(p-n)+(n-1)}$, $\frac{p}{p-n}$ and $\frac{p^2}{n(p-n)}$. Thus, for any given (n,p) such that n < p, the set $\mathcal{C}_{(n,p)}$ may be regarded as a visualized clue to investigate both of the distribution of multiplicities of branches of possible \mathcal{A} -stable multigerms of corank at most one and the distribution of simultaneously.

We observe $\mathcal{C}_{(n,p)}$. We see first that $\mathcal{C}_{(n,p)}$ is self-similar by the equality

 $\mathcal{C}_{(n,p)} = \varphi_{stable,(n,p)}(\mathcal{C}_{(n,p)}) \cup \varphi_{simple,(n,p)}(\mathcal{C}_{(n,p)}).$

Next, let $I_{(n,p)}$ be the closed interval $\left[\frac{p}{p-n}, \frac{p^2}{n(p-n)}\right]$. Then, we see that the intersection $\varphi_{stable,(n,p)}(I_{(n,p)})$ and $\varphi_{simple,(n,p)}(I_{(n,p)})$ is the empty set since we have the following:

$$\frac{1}{p-n+1} + \frac{n-1}{n(p-n) + (n-1)} < 1 < \frac{p^2}{n(p-n)} - \frac{p}{p-n}$$

Furthermore, for any (n, p) such that n < p each of $\varphi_{stable,(n,p)}$ and $\varphi_{simple,(n,p)}$ is an affine function with one variable and we have

$$\frac{n-1}{n(p-n)+n-1} < \frac{1}{p-n+1}$$

Thus, it is reasonable to call $C_{(n,p)}$ the asymmetric Cantor set relative to (n,p). The Hausdorff-Besicovitch dimension of the asymmetric Cantor set relative to (n,p) is obtained as the solution of the following equation (for details on Hausdorff-Besicovitch dimensions, see $[\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{F}]$).

$$\left(\frac{1}{p-n+1}\right)^s + \left(\frac{n-1}{n(p-n)+n-1}\right)^s = 1.$$

We see easily that Hausdorff-Besicovitch dimension of the asymmetric Cantor set is zero if and only if n = 1 and it is well-known that the Hausdorff-Besicovitch dimension of a given non-empty compact set is zero if the set is countable (see $[\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{F}]$). Thus, if $\mathcal{C}_{(n,p)}$ is countable, then we have that n = 1. Conversely, if n = 1then $\mathcal{C}_{(n,p)}$ must be countable since $\varphi_{simple,(n,p)}$ is a constant function in this case. Therefore we have the following characterization of curves:

THEOREM 1.6. Let (n, p) be a given pair of dimensions such that n < p. Then, $C_{(n,p)}$ is a countable set if and only if n = 1.

All results in this paper hold also in complex holomorphic category. In §2, Theorems 1.1 and 1.4 are proved.

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2. Proofs of Theorems 1.1 and 1.4

For the proofs of Theorems 1.1 and 1.4, we assume that the reader is familiar with Mather theory([M1, M2, M3, M4, M5, M6]).

<u>Proof of the assertion (1) of Theorem 1.1.</u> We recall first the following notions given in $\S7$ of [M5].

DEFINITION 2.1. integer. Put

 $W_{\ell} = \{ z \in J^k(n, p) \mid \operatorname{codim} \mathcal{K}^k(z) \ge \ell \}.$

Then, W_{ℓ} is a real closed algebraic set.

(2) The union of irreducible components of W_{ℓ} whose codimensions are less than ℓ is denoted by W_{ℓ}^* .

(1) Let k be a positive integer and ℓ be a non-negative

(3) Put $\pi^k(n,p) = \bigcup_{\ell \ge 0} W_{\ell}^*$. The set $\pi^k(n,p)$ is also a real closed algebraic set. Let $\sigma^k(n,p)$ be the codimension of $\pi^k(n,p)$. Then, the following holds clearly.

$$\sigma^{k_1}(n,p) \ge \sigma^{k_2}(n,p) \quad (k_1 \le k_2).$$

(4) Put
$$\sigma(n, p) = \inf_k \sigma^k(n, p)$$
.

Mather's nice region can be characterized that the pair of dimensions (n, p) satisfies the condition $n < \sigma(n, p)$. Let $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ be a given \mathcal{A} -stable multigerm. Then, the jet extension $j^{p+1}f$ is taransverse to $S \times \mathbb{R}^p \times \mathcal{K}^{p+1}(j^{p+1}f(S))$ and thus for any $s_i \in S$ codimension of $\mathcal{K}^{p+1}(j^{p+1}f(s_i))$ is less than or equal to n. Suppose that $\mathcal{K}^{p+1}(j^{p+1}f(s_i))$ is a subset of $\pi^{p+1}(n,p)$. Then, we have $\sigma(n,p) < \sigma(n,p)$ $\operatorname{codim} \mathcal{K}^{p+1}(j^{p+1}f(s_i)) \leq n$, which contradicts $n < \sigma(n,p)$. Therefore, we have $\mathcal{K}^{p+1}(j^{p+1}f(s_i)) \cap \pi^{p+1}(n,p) = \emptyset$ which means that there are only finitely many \mathcal{K}^{p+1} -orbits near $\mathcal{K}^{p+1}(j^{p+1}f(S))$. Since the jet extension $j^{p+1}f$ is taransverse to $\mathcal{K}^{p+1}(j^{p+1}f(S))$, not only f but also any multigerm $g: (\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$ which is near f is \mathcal{A} -stable and $\mathcal{A}^{p+1}(j^{p+1}g(S))$ is open in $\mathcal{K}^{p+1}(j^{p+1}g(S))$. Therefore the number of \mathcal{A} -orbits which are near $\mathcal{A}(f)$ is finite and thus f is \mathcal{A} -simple.

Next we show that any C^{∞} unfolding of f is \mathcal{A} -simple. Let F : $(\mathbb{R}^n \times$ $\mathbb{R}^d, S \times \{0\} \to (\mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^d, (0, 0))$ be a C^{∞} unfolding of f. Then, since there are only finitely many \mathcal{K}^{p+1} -orbits near $\mathcal{K}^{p+1}j^{p+1}f(S)$, there are only finitely many \mathcal{K}^{p+d+1} -orbits near $\mathcal{K}^{p+d+1}(F)$. Since the multigerm F is \mathcal{A} -stable, we have that $\mathcal{A}^{p+d+1}(j^{p+d+1}F(S\times\{0\})) \text{ is in } \mathcal{K}^{p+d+1}(j^{p+d+1}F(S\times\{0\})) \text{ and } \mathcal{A}^{p+d+1}(j^{p+d+1}G(S\times\{0\})) \text$ $\{0\})) \text{ is open in } \mathcal{K}^{p+d+1}(j^{p+d+1}G(S\times\{0\})) \text{ where } G : (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^d, S \times \{0\}) \rightarrow$ $(\mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^d, (0, 0))$ is a multigerm near F. Note that G is also A-stable. Therefore, the number of \mathcal{A} -orbits which are near $\mathcal{A}(F)$ is finite and thus F is \mathcal{A} -simple.

Note that the above proof works well even in the case $n = \sigma(n, p)$ (that is to say, the case that the pair of dimensions (n, p) lies in the boundary of Mather's nice region) since the equality

$$\sigma(n,p) = \operatorname{codim} \mathcal{K}^{p+1}(j^{p+1}f(s_i))$$

never hold by (2) of Definition 2.1.

Proof of the assertion (2) of Theorem 1.1.

A pair of dimensions (n, p) is inside Mather's nice region if and only if (n, p)satisfies one of the following 5.

- $\begin{array}{ll} (1) & n < \frac{6}{7}p + \frac{8}{7} \text{ and } p n \geq 4, \\ (2) & n < \frac{6}{7}p + \frac{9}{7} \text{ and } 3 \geq p n \geq 0, \\ (3) & p < 8 \text{ and } p n = -1, \end{array}$
- (4) p < 6 and p n = -2,
- (5) p < 7 and $p n \le -3$.

Therefore, we see that for any pair of dimensions (n, p) there exists a non-negative integer i_1 such that for any integer j_1 ($i_1 \leq j_1$) the pair of dimensions $(n+j_1, p+j_1)$

lies outside Mather's nice region. Let z be a $(p + i_1 + 1)$ -jet belonging $\pi^{p+i_1+1}(n + i_1, p + i_1)$ and let $f : (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^{i_1}, S \times \{0\}) \to (\mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^{i_1}, (0, 0))$ be a representative of z. If f is \mathcal{A} -stable, then by putting $i = i_1$ we have the assertion (2) of Theorem 1.1. If f is not \mathcal{A} -stable, then by using Mather's construction of \mathcal{A} -stable germs we see that there exists a positive integer i_2 and a C^{∞} unfolding $F : (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^{i_1+i_2}, S \times \{0\}) \to (\mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^{i_1+i_2}, (0, 0))$ of the multigerm f such that F is \mathcal{A} -stable. Then, note that $j^{p+i_1+i_2+1}F(S \times \{0\})$ belongs to $\pi^{p+i_1+i_2+1}(n+i_1+i_2, p+i_1+i_2)$ since $j^{p+i_1+1}f(S \times \{0\})$ belongs to $\pi^{p+i_1+1}(n+i_1, p+i_1)$. Therefore, by putting $i = i_1+i_2$ we have the assertion (2) of Theorem 1.1. \Box

Proof of Theorem 1.4.

Let $\theta_S(f)$ (resp. $\theta_S(n)$) be the C_S -module consisting of germs of C^{∞} vector fields along f (resp. along the germ of identity mapping: $(\mathbb{R}^n, S) \to (\mathbb{R}^n, S)$). Let $\theta_0(p)$ be the C_0 -module consisting of germs of C^{∞} vector fields along the germ of identity mapping: $(\mathbb{R}^p, 0) \to (\mathbb{R}^p, 0)$. Let $tf : \theta_S(n) \to \theta_S(f)$ (resp. $\omega f : \theta_0(p) \to \theta_S(f)$) be the map defined by $tf(a) = df \circ a$ (resp. $\omega f(b) = b \circ f$). Then, since the given f in Theorem 1.4 is \mathcal{A} -stable, we have that

$$\theta_S(f) = tf(\theta_S(n)) + \omega f(\theta_0(p)).$$

Since we have

$$\dim_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{\theta_S(f)}{m_S \theta_S(f)} = pr, \ \dim_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{\theta_S(n)}{m_S \theta_S(n)} = nr \ \text{ and } \ \dim_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{\theta_0(p)}{m_0 \theta_0(p)} = p,$$

we have the following desired inequality.

$$pr \leq nr + p$$
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