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# Algebraic and Model Theoretic Properties of O-minimal Exponential Fields

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- Starting with certain models M of **Peano Arithmetic**, we construct o-minimal EXP-fields with **integer part**  $M \cup (-M)$ .

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