

# Elementary Equivalence $\longleftrightarrow$ Isomorphism

## Introduction Motivation

- “Classifying Question”

$$K = \mathbb{C}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{td}(K/\mathbb{C})$$

- Elementary Equivalence of Fields
  - $\mathcal{L} = \{ +, -, \cdot, 1, 0 \}$  Axioms of fields
  - $\mathcal{A} = \{ \text{all sentence in } \mathcal{L} \}$
  - $\mathbf{Th}(K) = \{ \phi \in \mathcal{A} \mid K \models \phi \}$
  - $\forall \vec{x}_1 \exists \vec{x}_2 \dots \overline{P}(\vec{x}_1, \dots) = 0$

- **Fact**

$$K \cong L \implies \mathbf{Th}(K) = \mathbf{Th}(L)$$
$$\iff$$

- **Definition** (elementary equivalent)  $K \equiv L \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \mathbf{Th}(K) = \mathbf{Th}(L)$

## Facts

1.  $\mathbf{Char}(K)$  is encoded in  $\mathbf{Th}(K)$
2.  $K$  algebraically closed is encoded in  $\mathbf{Th}(K)$
3.  $K$  is real closed is encoded in  $\mathbf{Th}(K)$ 
  - $\mathbf{v} : K^\times \longrightarrow \Gamma_v \quad \Gamma_v \text{ divisible}$
  - $k_v \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is relatively algebraically closed
  - $(K, \mathbf{v})$  henselian
4.  $K$   $p$ -adically closed is encoded in  $\mathbf{Th}(K)$
5. Geometric interpretation of  $\equiv$ 
  - Every  $\phi \in \mathcal{A} \longleftrightarrow S_\phi \subseteq \mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Z}}^N$
  - $K \equiv L \iff (\forall \phi \text{ one has } S_\phi(K) \neq \emptyset \iff S_\phi(L) \neq \emptyset)$

## 7. Relation of $\equiv$ with $\cong$

- Ultrapowers:  $K$ ,  $I$  index set,  $\mathcal{D}$  ultrafilter on  $I$ ,  
$$K^* := K^I / \mathcal{D} = K^I / \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{D}}$$
- $K \equiv L \iff \exists K^* = K^I / \mathcal{D}, L^* = K^J / \mathcal{E}$  such that  $K^* \cong L^*$
- **Remark**  $K \equiv K^*$

**Theorem** (Classification up to  $\equiv$ )

1.  $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  and  $\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p$  (all  $p$ ) are representatives for all algebraically closed fields
2.  $\mathbb{R}^{\text{abs}} := \mathbb{R} \cap \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  is real closed and all real closed fields are elementary equivalent
3.  $\mathbb{Q}_p^{\text{abs}} := \mathbb{Q}_p \cap \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  is  $p$ -adically closed and all  $p$ -adically closed fields are elementary equivalent

**Comment** Generalized  $p$ -adically closed fields:

$$\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{Q}_p \text{ finite,} \quad d := [\mathbb{K} : \mathbb{Q}_p], \quad \mathbb{K}^{\text{abs}} := K \cap \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$$

Consequence if  $K \equiv L \implies K^{\text{abs}} \cong L^{\text{abs}}$

**Proof**

$$K^* \xlongequal{\quad} L^* \longleftarrow \curvearrowright$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 K & \xleftarrow{\quad} & K^{*,\text{abs}} & \xlongequal{\sim} & L^{*,\text{abs}} & & L \\
 & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \\
 & & \left. \begin{array}{c} \parallel \\ \parallel \end{array} \right\} & & \left. \begin{array}{c} \parallel \\ \parallel \end{array} \right\} & & \\
 & & K^{\text{abs}} & & L^{\text{abs}} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & 
 \end{array}$$

## The Other Extreme

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prime field  $\longleftrightarrow$  arithmetic situation

fields of finite type over  $\text{---}$

alg. cl. field  $\longleftrightarrow$  geometric situation

- **Comment**

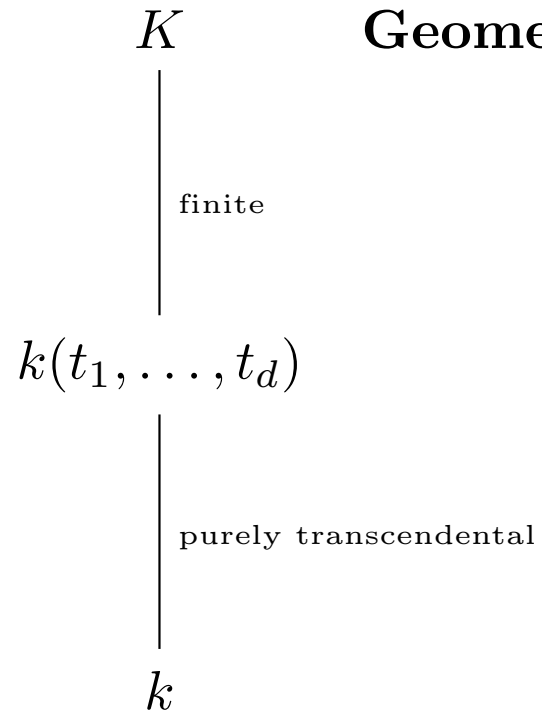
- $\mathbb{Q}(t) = \mathcal{K}(\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Q}}^1)$

- $\mathbb{Q}(u, v)$

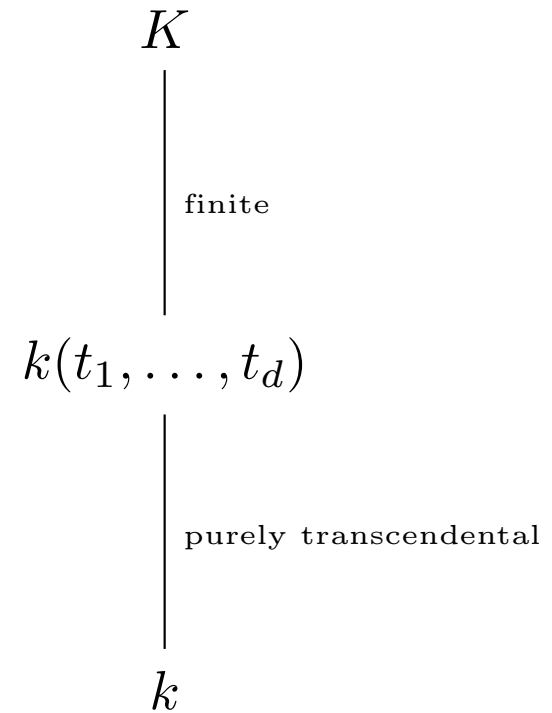
- $\mathcal{F} = (t_1, \dots, t_d)$  is a transcendence basis (TB) over  $k$  if

$$\forall P(x_1, \dots, x_d) \neq 0 \in k[x_1, \dots, x_d] \implies P(t_1, \dots, t_d) \neq 0$$

**Arithmetic:**



**Geometric:**



$k = \mathbb{F}_p$  or  $\mathbb{Q}$



- **Problem** (Elementary Equivalence  $\leftrightarrow$  Isomorphism)

Describe a set of representatives for the elementary equivalence classes of function fields (arithmetic/geometric situation)

- **Hope**  $K, L$  such fields  $\iff K \cong L$

(Sabbagh '85)

- **Theorem A** (Arithmetic Case) Let  $K$  and  $L$  be arithmetic function fields. Suppose  $K \equiv L$  then  $\exists$  field embeddings  $K \hookrightarrow L$  and  $L \hookrightarrow K$ . In particular, if  $K$  is of general type, then  $K \cong L$
- **Theorem B** (Geometric Situation) Let  $K$  and  $L$  be geometric function fields. Suppose  $K \equiv L$  then
  1.  $\mathbf{td}(K/k) = \mathbf{td}(L, \lambda)$        $k \equiv \lambda$
  2. if  $K$  is of general type  $K \cong L$  provided that  $k \cong \lambda$

## Comments

- Durét, Pierce: Geometric case under hypothesis  $\mathbf{td}(K/k) = 1$  goes beyond Theorem **B**: elliptic curves of non-CM type
- $K^* \cong L^* \quad \mathcal{C}_L \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}_K \quad K \hookrightarrow L$