

Valued Fields

$(K, T, k, v)$   
 field  $\xrightarrow{\text{ordered ab.-group}}$   $\xleftarrow{\text{field}}$

"valuation"  $v: K^* \rightarrow T$

$$v(a \cdot b) = v(a) + v(b)$$

$$v(a+b) \geq \min\{v(a), v(b)\}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_v = \{a \in K \mid v(a) \geq 0\} \quad \mathcal{M}_v = \{a \in K \mid v(a) > 0\} \quad k = \mathcal{O}_v / \mathcal{M}_v$$

Ex:  $k((t))$  and  $v(\sum a_i t^i) = \min_i (a_i \neq 0)$

coeff of lowest power

$\rightarrow$  In some sense,  $v \approx \log_t$

Remark: If  $v(a) \neq v(b)$  then  $v(a+b) = \min\{v(a), v(b)\}$   
 ( $>$  only if  $v(a) = v(b)$ )

Connection to Tropical Geom:

- $a \oplus b = v(a) \cdot v(b)$
- $a \otimes b = \min\{v(a), v(b)\}$

Hahn fields

$k$  any field  
 $T$  any ordered group }  $k((t^r)) = \left\{ \sum a_r t^r \text{ w/ support } (\sum a_r t^r) \right\}$   
 well-ordered }  
 $v(\sum a_r t^r) = \min(\text{support})$

Ex:  $K = \mathbb{C}((t^\alpha))$  is an algebraically closed field.

Note:  $t^{1/2} + t^{2/3} + t^{3/4} + \dots \notin K$

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"For all practical purposes, this is equivalent to power series"  
 $P = \bigcup_n \mathbb{C}((t^n)) \not\subseteq \mathbb{C}((t^\alpha))$

Polynomials (in one variable) over  $K$ :

Let  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + \dots + a_n x^n / K$

$c \in K$  be such that w/  $r = v(c)$  we get } Then  
 $v(a_i c^i) \neq v(a_j c^j)$  for  $i \neq j$   $v(f(c)) = \min_i \{v(a_i c^i)\} < \infty$  !!

→ Conclusion: If  $f(c) = 0$  then  $\exists i \neq j$  w/  
 $v(a_i c^i) = v(a_j c^j)$  !!

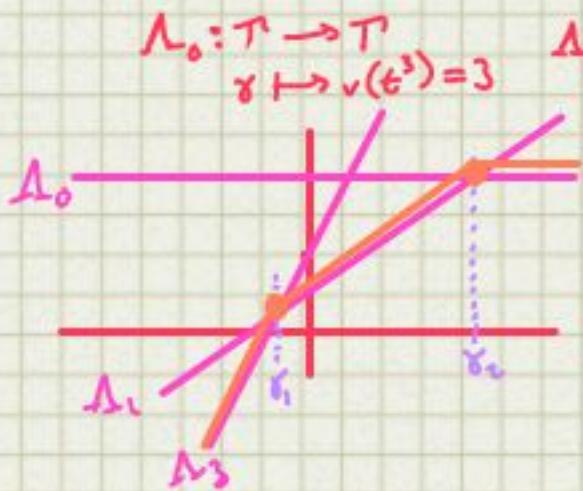
Let  $\Delta_i : T \rightarrow T$  be the map (so  $\Delta_i(\tau) = v(a_i b^i)$ )  
 $\tau \mapsto v(a_i) + i\tau$  when  $v(b) = \tau$

Define  $f_v(\tau) = \min \{\Delta_i(\tau)\}$  "If this minimum is attained  
at a single index then  $v(f(b)) = f_v(b)$ "

↳ If  $f(c) = 0$  then the points

w/  $v(a_i c^i) = v(a_j c^j)$  must be at minimum!  
 $f_v(\tau) = \Delta_i(\tau)$  w/  $\tau = v(c)$   
 $= \Delta_j(\tau)$

Ex:  $f(x) = t^3 + t^2 x + t^2 x^3$



$\Delta_1 : T \rightarrow T$   
 $\tau \mapsto v(t) + \tau$

$\Delta_3 : T \rightarrow T$   
 $\tau \mapsto v(t^2) + 3\tau$

"In multivariable setting, this becomes tropical lines, planes, etc!"

### Multivariable polynomials / K

$$f(x) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}^n} a_i x^i \quad \text{where } \underline{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ \underline{i} = (i_1, \dots, i_n) \\ a_i x^i = a_i x_1^{i_1} \cdots x_n^{i_n}$$

For each  $i$  w/  $a_i \neq 0$  we have

$\Delta_{\underline{i}} : T^n \rightarrow T$  by  
 $(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n) \mapsto v(a_i) + i_1 \tau_1 + \cdots + i_n \tau_n$

$$f_v: T^n \rightarrow T$$

$$\underline{\tau} \mapsto \min \{ \Lambda_i(\underline{\tau}) \} \quad \text{If } f_v(\underline{\tau}) = 0 \text{ then there are } i \neq j \text{ w/}$$

$$f_v(\underline{\tau}) = \Lambda_i(\underline{\tau}) \text{ where } v(c) = \underline{\tau}$$

$$= \Lambda_j(\underline{\tau})$$

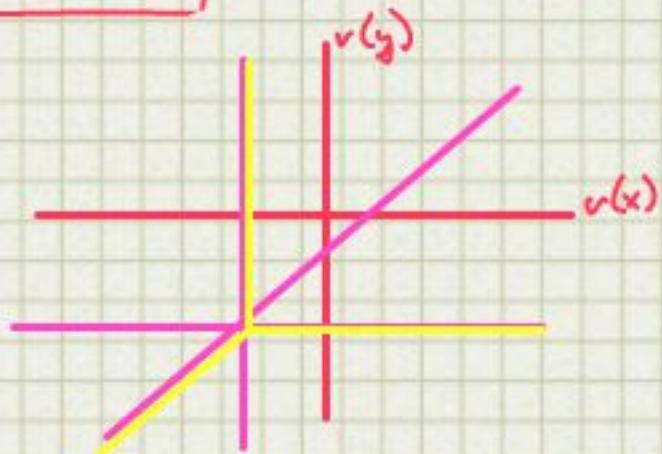
Def:  $\text{Trop}(f) = \{(\underline{\tau}, \dots, \underline{\tau}_n) \text{ w/ } f_v(\underline{\tau}) = \Lambda_i(\underline{\tau}) = \Lambda_j(\underline{\tau}) \text{ some } i \neq j\}$

"Tropical Locus"

Ex: Let  $f(x,y) = 1 + tx + t^2y$

$\Lambda_0: T^2 \rightarrow T$ $[v(x), v(y)] \mapsto v(1) = 0$	$\Lambda_1: T^2 \rightarrow T$ $[v(x), v(y)] \mapsto v(t) + v(x) = 1 + v(x)$
$\Lambda_2: T^2 \rightarrow T$ $[v(x), v(y)] \mapsto v(t^2) + v(y) = 2 + v(y)$	$f_v: T^2 \rightarrow T$ $[v(x), v(y)] \mapsto \min \Lambda_i$

- $\Lambda_0 \cap \Lambda_2$  is  $v(y) = -2$
- $\Lambda_1 \cap \Lambda_2$  is  $1 + v(x) = 2 + v(y)$
- $\Lambda_0 \cap \Lambda_1$  is  $v(x) = -1$



This is a (flipped) tropical line!!!  
 → The flip is b/c used min, not max.

"Kapranov's Thm": If  $K$  is algebraically closed  
 and  $(\underline{\tau}, \dots, \underline{\tau}_n) \in \text{Trop}(f)$  then there is  
 $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in K^n$  with  $v(a_i) = \underline{\tau}_i$   
 and  $f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0$

In the next talk we will discuss  
 the proof of this.

Recall: Valued Difference Fields

Def: A VDF is a valued field w/ distinguished automorphism  $\sigma$  such that  $\sigma(\sigma_v) = \sigma_v$

Fixes valuation ring setwise

Note: Do not require  $v(\sigma(a)) = v(a)$

In this case,  $\sigma$  induces a map on the residue field

$$\bar{\sigma}: \mathcal{O}_v/\mathfrak{m}_v \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_v/\mathfrak{m}_v \quad \text{w/ } \bar{\sigma}: k \rightarrow k$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma: T &\longrightarrow T \\ x &\longmapsto \sigma(x) = v(\sigma(x)) \\ &\text{where } v(x) = x. \end{aligned}$$

FACT: If  $v(x) = v(y)$  then  $v(\sigma(x)) = v(\sigma(y))$   
 $\rightarrow v(x/y) = 0 \Rightarrow x/y \in \mathcal{O}_v \setminus \mathfrak{m}_v$   
 $\Rightarrow \sigma(x/y) \in \mathcal{O}_v \setminus \mathfrak{m}_v$

Ex: Let  $(k, \bar{\sigma})$  be a valued difference field &  
 $(T, \sigma)$  be a valued difference ordered group.

Then  $\sigma: k((t^T)) \rightarrow k((t^T))$  satisfies  $\sigma(\sigma_v) = \sigma_v$   
by  $\sum a_i t^i \mapsto \sum \bar{\sigma}(a_i) t^{\sigma(i)}$

Ex:  $T = \mathbb{Q}$   $\sigma: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$   $r \mapsto 2r$  If  $T = \bigcup_{i=1}^n T_i$  where  $T_i$  are convex subgroups  
we may have  $\sigma(T_i) \subseteq T_{i+1}$ .

(AKE) Thm: If  $\text{char}(k) = 0$  and  $K$  is Henselian then  
 $\text{Th}(k) \cup \text{Th}(T)$  determines  $\text{Th}(K)$ .

$\rightarrow$  Apply same idea to valued difference fields.

Thm: If  $\text{char}(k) = 0$  and  $K$  is " $\sigma$ -Henselian" and either  
and  $(k, \bar{\sigma})$  is "linear difference closed" (★)  
then  $\text{Th}(K)$  is determined by  $\text{Th}(k, \bar{\sigma})$  and  $\text{Th}(T, \sigma)$ .

These can all be removed [Duhoo]

- 1)  $v(\sigma(a)) = v(a)$  all  $a$
- 2)  $v(\sigma(a)) > nv(a)$  all  $n$  and  $a$  (w/  $v(a) > 0$ )
- 3)  $v(\sigma(a)) = nv(a)$  all  $a$ , some  $n$

(\*) If  $a_0, \dots, a_n \in K$  not all zero then

$$1 + a_0 x + a_1 \sigma(x) + a_2 \sigma^2(x) + \dots + a_n \sigma^n(x) = 0$$

has a solution.

Let  $F(x) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1}} a_i \sigma^i(x)$  where  $\sigma^i(x) = x^i \sigma(x)^i \sigma^2(x)^i \dots \sigma^n(x)^i$

define  $F_v: T \rightarrow T$

$$\text{by } \sigma \mapsto \min_i \{ v(a_i) + v(\sigma^i(\sigma)) \}$$

"Connection to Kapranov's Thm..."

Note: "Linear Difference closed" is still pretty strong.

Ex: "Transseries"

$R \subseteq R((x^-))$  (Laurent series on  $x^-$ )

w/  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i (x^-)^i > 0$  if  $\overbrace{a_0}^{>0} > 0$  (i.e. just look at first term  
→lexicographic ordering)

coeff of highest power of  $x$

Note:  $x \gg \mathbb{R}$  b/c  $|x - r| > 0$  for all  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$(R, <, \exp, \log)$

$R \subseteq R((x^-)^R)$  If  $a \in R((x^-)^R)$  w/  $v(a) \geq 0$  then

$$a = s + \sum_{\delta > 0} (x^-)^\delta \text{ for some } s \in R$$

and

$$\exp(a) = e^s \cdot (e^{\sum (x^-)^\delta})$$

→ Note:  $e^{(x^-)} = \sum \frac{(x^-)^n}{n!} \in R((x^-)^R)$

Then  $\exp: K_0 \rightarrow K_0$  is a partial exponential

Define  $e^x = \exp(x)$  a new monomial w/  $v(e^x) < v(x^n)$  all n.

Obtain

$$K_0 \subseteq K_1 \subseteq K_2 \subseteq \dots \quad K = \bigcup_n K_n$$

$\xrightarrow{x} \xrightarrow{e^x} \xrightarrow{e^{(e^x)}} \dots$  etc...

$K$  has  $\exp$ , but not  $\log$ ... do the same trick again:

$$K = L_0 \subseteq L_1 \subseteq L_2 \subseteq \dots \quad \mathbb{T} = \bigcup_n L_n$$

$x \rightarrow \ln x \rightarrow \ln(\ln x) \rightarrow \dots$

$(\mathbb{T}, <, \exp, \ln)$  is big valued field

Note:  $K$  has  
 $\ln x^*$  but not  
 $\ln x$

Moreover  $\exists \sigma: \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$   $\delta: \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$

$\sigma/\delta(x) = 1 \quad \& \quad a \mapsto \delta a$

$\sigma(e^x) = e^x \quad \text{inverse.}$

Note:  $v(e^x) < v(x^*) < v(\ln x)$

This is like the "Differential Closure"  
 $\rightarrow$  Everything that should be solvable.

Moreover if  $g \in \mathbb{T}$  with  $g > \mathbb{R}$  then we have

$\sigma_g: \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$  is an automorphism.  
 by  $f(x) \mapsto f(g(x))$

Important examples:  $g(x) = e^x$   
 $g(x) = \ln x$

Open Question:  $\text{Th}((\mathbb{T}, \sigma_e, v)) = ???$

Note:  $\sigma_{e^x} = \text{Id}_{\mathbb{R}}$

$\sigma(f) - f + 1 = 0$   
 $\hookrightarrow f(e^x) - f(x) + 1 = 0$   
 has no soln in  $\mathbb{T}$

$\Rightarrow$  Stuff from before doesn't apply !!

Early def of "Difference Equation":

$$f(x+1) - f(x) = g(x) \quad \text{Given } g(x) \text{ can you find } f(x) \text{ so that this is true??}$$

Let  $\sigma: \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$   
 by  $f \mapsto f(x+1)$

$\boxed{\text{Thm: There is a subfield } T^* \subseteq \mathbb{T} \text{ such that } (T^*, \sigma) \text{ is linear difference closed.}}$

Big Thm  $\Rightarrow \text{Th}(\mathbb{T}, \sigma, v)$  is determined by  $\text{Th}(T^*, \sigma)$  and  $\text{Th}(T, \sigma)$

This is basically  
 $K_0 = \mathbb{R}((x^*)^\mathbb{Z})$   
 from before.