

Old conj: (If $\text{char } k = 0$) K Henselian $\iff K$ extremal.
 FALSE!!!

Thm: If $T = \mathbb{Q}$, $k = \mathbb{R}$, ~~then~~ K Henselian $\implies K$ extremal.

• Corr: T divisible $\hat{=} k$ (real, closed field) large, K Henselian $\implies K$ extremal.

Def: A field k is "large" if
 • k is existentially closed in $k((t))$

Ex: Let $F(x,y) = x^2 - (xy-1)^2$ over $\mathbb{R}((t))$
 Note that $\{v(F(x,y))\}$ is not ∞ , but unbounded has v
 $F(a,b) \neq 0 \implies v(F(t^n, t^{-n})) = v(t^{2n}) = 2n$

Ex: Let $T = \mathbb{Z} \oplus r\mathbb{Z}$ where $r \gg 0$ (make r be infinite).
 $K = k((t^T))$

let $a_n = t^{r+n}$ and $b_n = t^{r-n}$ } $a_n, b_n \in \mathcal{O}_r$
 $\implies v(a_n) = r+n$ $v(b_n) = r-n$
 $v(a_n b_n) = 2r$

Let $F(x,y) = x^8 + t^r (xy - t^{2r})^2 + t^{2r} y^8$

$\parallel F(a_n, b_n) = t^{8r+8n} + t^r \cdot 0 + t^{2r} \cdot t^{8r-8n}$
 $v(F(a_n, b_n)) = \min(8r+8n, 10r-8n)$
 $= 8r+8n < 9r$

BUT $F(x,y) < 9r$ all x,y !! (below $9r+2$)
 any $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

$\left(\begin{array}{l} v(x^8) = 8v(x) \\ v(t^r (xy - t^{2r})^2) = r + 2v(xy - t^{2r}) \\ v(t^{2r} y^8) = 2r + 8v(y) \end{array} \right\}$ Distinct so $v F = \min$ of $v(\text{terms})$
 - look at cases.

2) Thm: If $T \neq \mathbb{Z}$ and $T \neq \mathbb{Q}$ then K not extremal.

Pf: (Sketch)

In $K \neq \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}$ there is a $\gamma > 0$ w/ γ not divisible by any n
or something even worse happens. \square

Thm: If $T = \mathbb{Q}$ and k is not large then K not extremal.

EX $K = \mathbb{F}_5((t^{\mathbb{Q}}))$

$$\text{let } F(x, y, z) = x^4 + (xy - t)^4 + (z^5 - z - y)^4$$

$$a_n = t^{1 + \frac{1}{n}}$$

$$b_n = t^{1 - \frac{1}{n}}$$