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# EXPONENTIAL FIELDS

SOME QUESTIONS FROM  
COMPLEX ANALYSIS.

I IF  $p(z) \in \mathbb{C}[z]$   
HOW MANY ZEROS  
DOES

$$\exp(z) = p(z)$$

HAVE IN  $\mathbb{C}$  ?

II IF  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_n$   
 $c_1, \dots, c_m, d_1, \dots, d_n$

$\in \mathbb{C}$ , WHEN DOES THE SYSTEM

$$c_1 \exp(\lambda_1 z) + \dots + c_m \exp(\lambda_m z)$$

$$= 0$$

$$= d_1 \exp(\mu_1 z) + \dots + d_n \exp(\mu_n z)$$

HAVE INFINITELY MANY SOLUTIONS  
IN  $\mathbb{C}$  ?

ANSWERSI. INFINITELY MANY

UNLESS  $p = 0$  [HADAMARD,  
OR EARLIER]

[ BUT ONLY FINITELY MANY  
REAL SOLUTIONS, IF  $p \in \mathbb{R}[z]$ .  
HARDY, OR EARLIER ]

II. UNKNOWN, BUT THERE IS  
A NICE CONJECTURE OF  
H. SHAPIRO (50 YEARS AGO)  
IN TERMS OF COMMON  
FACTORS.

MAJOR PROJECT

UNDERSTAND ANY UNDERLYING  
"EXPONENTIAL ALGEBRA"

- E.G. ANALOGUES OF  
POLYNOMIAL IDEALS, VARIETIES,  
NULLSTELLENSATZ.

COMMUTATIVE EXPONENTIAL RINGS  
(E-RINGS)

UNITAL RINGS  $R$ , WITH  
 $E: R \rightarrow R$  SUCH THAT

$$\begin{aligned} E(x+y) &= E(x) \cdot E(y) \\ E(0) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

SO VALUES OF  $E$  ARE UNITS

PERIODS  $\{x: E(x) = 1\}$

IN  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $2\pi i \mathbb{Z}$

IN  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\{0\}$ .

[EASY, BY MODEL THEORY,

TO CONSTRUCT  $R$  WITH  
 BIZARRE GROUP OF  
 PERIODS

IN INFINITARY LOGIC, CAN  
 EXPRESS THAT GROUP OF  
 PERIODS IS INFINITE CYCLIC]

UNIVERSAL ALGEBRA E-RINGS

FORM AN EQUATIONAL CLASS, SO  
 FREE E-RING ON  $X$  IS  
 WELL-DEFINED. BUT WE NEED A  
 PERSPICUOUS (COMPUTABLE)  
 CHARACTERIZATION OF  
 -NO A PRIORI GUARANTEE OF THIS.

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A BASIC CONSTRUCTION

$R$  GIVEN, WITH A PARTIAL  $E$   
 DEFINED ON AN ADDITIVE SUBGROUP  
 $\mathcal{D}$  (so  $E: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow R$ ), AND  
 GIVEN  $\Delta$  WITH

$$R = \mathcal{D} \oplus \Delta.$$

GO TO MULTIPLICATIVE GROUP  
 $t^\Delta$  ( $t^{\delta_1} \cdot t^{\delta_2} = t^{\delta_1 + \delta_2}$ )  
 AND THE GROUP RING  $R \rightsquigarrow R[t^\Delta]$ .

EXTEND  $E$  TO  $R$  BY  
 ADDITIVITY, VIA

$$E(\delta) = t^\delta, \quad \delta \in \Delta.$$

NOW SPLIT

$$R[t^\Delta] = R \oplus t^{\Delta \setminus \{0\}}$$

AND ITERATE  $\omega$  TIMES.

SPECIAL CASE

$$R = \mathbb{Z}[X], \quad \mathcal{D} = (0), \quad \Delta = R.$$

RESULT:  $[X]^E$ , FREE  $E$ -RING

ON  $X$ .

## E-FIELDS

THESE ARE CHARACTERISTIC 0  
FIELDS  $K$  WITH  $E: K \rightarrow K$   
GIVING AN E-RING STRUCTURE.

FEW EXAMPLES WERE SEEN  
IN NATURE PRIOR TO 1980.

- $\mathbb{R}$  AND  $\mathbb{C}$  WITH THE ANALYTICALLY  
DEFINED EXP
- GONSHOR - KRUSKAL SURREAL  
EXPONENTIAL (IN GONSHOR'S  
BOOK)
- LE-SERIES (DANN-WOLTER,  
V. DEN DRIES - MACINTYRE - MARKER)
- ÉCALLE TRANS-SÉRIES
- P-ADIC CASES (REALLY  
ONLY RINGS)

## E-POLYNOMIALS

LET  $K$  BE AN  $E$ -FIELD. LET  
 $R = K[X] = K \oplus (X)$

[ $(X)$  = IDEAL GENERATED BY  $X$ ].

DO PREVIOUS CONSTRUCTION TO  
 GET

$K[X]^E$  (A FREE OBJECT)

THE RING OF  $E$ -POLYNOMIALS  
 OVER  $K$  IN  $X$ .

GET NATURAL  $E$ -RING MORPHISM

$$K[X]^E \longrightarrow K^{K^X}$$

EXERCISE INJECTIVE IF

$$K = \mathbb{C} \text{ OR } \mathbb{R}$$

SO WE CONFLATE THE TERM  
 AND FUNCTION INTERPRETATION  
 OF  $E$ -POLYNOMIAL OVER  
 $K$ .

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THE SCHAUFEL CONDITION

AN  $E$ -DOMAIN  $R$  SATISFIES SC  
IF FOR ALL  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in R$

TRANSCENDENCE DEGREE OVER  $\mathbb{Q}$   
OF  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n, E(\lambda_1), \dots, E(\lambda_n)$   
 $\gg$  LINEAR DIMENSION OVER  $\mathbb{Q}$   
OF  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ .

[ "NO EXOTIC RELATIONS" ].

THEOREM 1  $[X]^E$  SATISFIES SC.

THEOREM 2 IF  $K$  SATISFIES SC,  
SO DOES  $K[X]^E$ .

THEOREM 3 IF  $\mathbb{Q} \models$  SC,

THEN THE  $E$ -SUBRING OF  $\mathbb{R}$   
GENERATED BY  $\phi$  IS  
 $\cong [\phi]^E$ .

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## THE HUGE PROBLEM

SCHANUEL'S CONJECTURE:

$\mathbb{C} \models \text{SC}$ .

IN MY LECTURES I WILL DESCRIBE HOW SC LINKS THE LOGIC AND ANALYSIS OF THE CLASSICAL EXPONENTIAL FIELDS.

THESE LINKS HAVE BEEN DETECTED MAINLY BY MODEL THEORISTS, WITH THE MOTIVATION BEING A LONG-OPEN PROBLEM OF TARSKI ON THE LOGIC OF THE

REAL EXPONENTIAL FIELD



## LOGICAL QUESTIONS

I FOCUS ON

- SYSTEMS OF EQUATIONS  
(AND MAYBE ORDER CONDITIONS)
- DEFINABLE SETS AND FUNCTIONS.

[THE FIRST CONCERNED MAINLY  
WITH DECISION PROBLEMS,  
THE SECOND WITH GEOMETRY  
AND TOPOLOGY].

WE WORK OVER  $E$ -FIELDS,  
OR ORDERED  $E$ -FIELDS.

LET  $K$  BE SUCH,  
AND  $L$  AN  
 $E$ -SUBFIELD.

WE DEFINE THE NOTIONS  
OF SYSTEMS AND DEFINITIONS

OVER (THE PARAMETERS)  $L$ .

IF  $L$  IS THE  $E$ -FIELD  
GENERATED BY  $\mathbb{Q}$ , WE TALK  
OF PURE SYSTEMS AND  
DEFINITIONS

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$F \in K[X]^E$  is over  $L$  if  
it is in the smallest  $E$ -subring  
of  $K[X]^E$  containing  $L[X]$ .

BASIC SETS OVER  $L$  FOR SOME

$X = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ , DEFINED

BY:

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 0$$

(OR ALSO  $> 0$  IN ORDERED  
CASE)

$F \in K[X]^E$ , OVER  $L$ .

CONSTRUCTIBLE SETS OVER  $L$

BOOLEAN COMBINATIONS  
OF BASIC SETS.

EXISTENTIAL (OR SOLVABILITY)  
SETS OVER  $L$

SIMPLE PROJECTIONS OF  
BASIC SETS.

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FINALLY,  
DEFINABLE SETS OVER  $L$  :

GET THEM BY STARTING WITH  
BASIC SETS AND CLOSING  
UNDER BOOLEAN OPERATIONS  
AND PROJECTION

METHODOLOGICAL POINT I DID

THIS ABSTRACTLY TO AVOID  
SYNTACTICAL ENNUI,  
BUT TO FORMULATE  
THINGS ALGORITHMICALLY  
YOU HAVE TO WORK WITH  
DEFINITIONS, NOT DEFINED  
SETS

SYSTEMS OVER  $L$

FINITE INTERSECTION OF  
CONDITIONS

$$F_1 = 0$$

$$F_2 \neq 0$$

$$F_3 > 0 \quad (\text{IF RELEVANT})$$

L-DEFINABLE FUNCTION :

ONE WHOSE GRAPH IS  
L-DEFINABLE .

L-DEFINABLE POINT :

ONE WHOSE SINGLETON  
SET IS L-DEFINABLE

( USED IN LATER LECTURES )

## RESULTS FOR $\mathbb{R}$ AND $\mathbb{C}$

1. (TARSKI). THE SET  $\mathbb{Z}$   
IS (PURE) DEFINABLE IN  
THE  $E$ -FIELD  $\mathbb{C}$ .

PROOF:  $\mathbb{Z}$  IS THE COMPLEMENT  
OF THE PROJECTION TO  
 $x_1$ -SPACE OF

$$E(x_2) = 1 \wedge E(x_1, x_2) \neq 1.$$

COR: THE  $E$ -FIELD  $\mathbb{C}$  IS AT  
LEAST AS UNDECIDABLE AS  
ARITHMETIC.

[DETERRED LOGICIANS, UNTIL  
ZILBER, IN LAST DECADE,  
FROM FURTHER STUDY  
OF DEFINABLE SETS IN  $\mathbb{C}$ ]  
RECALL THAT  $\mathbb{C}$ , QUA FIELD,  
IS DECIDABLE

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## A REFINEMENT

LACZKOVICH (1990's, IDEA  
FOLLOWING AN OF MINE) SHOWED:

$\mathbb{Z}$  IS EXISTENTIALLY DEFINABLE  
IN THE E-FIELD  $\mathbb{C}$ .

COR: "HILBERT'S 10<sup>TH</sup> PROBLEM"

FOR THE E-FIELD  $\mathbb{C}$  IS  
UNDECIDABLE.

NOTE 1 THERE IS, HOWEVER,

MORE TO BE SAID FOR  
SYSTEMS CONSISTING OF  
A SINGLE POLYNOMIAL.

NOTE 2 ZILBER DETECTED

A CRITERION CONJECTURALLY  
SUFFICIENT FOR SYSTEMS  
TO BE SOLVABLE

(MORE IN LATER LECTURES)

## ANOTHER NEGATIVE RESULT

(ABM, 1991). IN THE  
 COMPLEX CASE, THE  
 COMPLEMENT OF AN  
 EXISTENTIAL SET NEED  
 NOT BE EXISTENTIAL.

( IN PURE FIELD CASE)  
 EXISTENTIAL = CONSTRUCTIBLE )

BUT WE DO NOT KNOW  
 IF THINGS GET WORSE  
 IN TERMS OF A HIERARCHY  
 THEOREM.

## POSITIVE RESULTS FOR $\mathbb{R}$

THEOREM (WILKIE 1991)

DEFINABLE = EXISTENTIAL

(EASY TO SEE  $\neq$  CONSTRUCTIBLE)

COR. EXISTENTIAL CLOSED UNDER  
COMPLEMENT.

COR VERY GENERAL FINITENESS  
THEOREMS FOR GEOMETRY  
AND TOPOLOGY OF DEFINABLE  
SETS

[ELABORATIONS BY VAN-DEN DRIES,  
MILLER, MARKER, MACINTYRE  
USED IN LIE THEORY BY  
SCHMID - VILONEN AND IN  
DIOPHANTINE GEOMETRY BY  
PILA].

N.B. PROOF NOT EFFECTIVE

BUT



THEOREM (MACINTYRE - WILKIE 1992)  
EFFECTIVE IF  $\mathbb{R}$  SATISFIES  
SC.

THEOREM IF  $\mathbb{R}$  SATISFIES  
SC, ALGORITHM FOR  
TESTING SOLVABILITY OF  
SYSTEMS OVER  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

[ IN NEITHER CASE HAS SC  
BEEN REMOVED ]

THEOREM IF  $\mathbb{C}$  SATISFIES  
SC,  $\pi$  IS NOT  
 $\mathbb{Q}(e)$  DEFINABLE IN  $\mathbb{R}$

[ SC CLEARLY RELEVANT HERE,  
AS WITHOUT IT WE DON'T  
KNOW IF  $\pi$  ALGEBRAIC  
OVER  $e$  ]

ASSUMING SC FOR  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  
THE DOMINATING PROBLEM  
OF TARSKI WAS SOLVED.

THEOREM (MACINTYRE - WILKIE  
1992)

IF  $\mathbb{R}$  SATISFIES SC,  
THEN THERE IS AN  
ALGORITHM FOR TESTING  
TRUTH OF FIRST-ORDER  
SENTENCES ABOUT THE  $E$ -FIELD  
 $\mathbb{R}$

(INCLUDES PROBLEMS IN  
HARDY'S 1911 ASYMPTOTICS  
OF  $L_E$  FUNCTIONS).

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BURIED IN WILKIE'S PROOF  
IS THE IDEA FOR DEFINING  
IN A REAL SETTING A  
NOTION OF  $E$ -ALGEBRAIC

IN MODELS OF SC. THERE  
IS A RELATED NOTION  
OF  $E$ -DIMENSION,  
DISCOVERED IN A DIFFERENT  
FORMALISM BY ZILBER.  
ALL THIS WILL BE EXPLAINED  
IN LATER LECTURES.

## ZILBER'S E-FIELDS

THESE ARE CONSTRUCTED  
UNCONDITIONALLY TO

SATISFY SC. IN ADDITION,  
AND IT IS FROM THIS  
THAT THEIR MARVELLOUS  
PROPERTIES COME, THEY  
HAVE INFINITE 'CYCLIC  
GROUP OF PERIODS,  
AND

ARE UNIVERSAL (SATISFY  
A KIND OF E-NULLSTELLENSATZ)  
RELATIVE TO EMBEDDINGS  
WHICH DO NOT CAUSE  
"DIMENSION DROP"

(TO BE EXPLAINED NEXT  
TIME)