

Blatt 8, Elimination der Imaginäre

Aufgabe 1. Describe what is meant by $\text{acl}(a/E)$ and $\text{dcl}^{eq}(a)$.

The Pillay-Lascar Theorem says “if T is strongly minimal and $\text{acl}(\emptyset)$ is infinite, then T has weak elimination of imaginaries”. The next Aufgabe is a counterexample to the requirements and the statement.

Aufgabe 2. Define a relation R over \mathbb{Q} by

$$R(a, b, c, d) \Leftrightarrow a + b + c + d = 0.$$

Notice that (\mathbb{Q}, R) is equivalent to $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$ (no zero in the language), and R determines the affine lines over \mathbb{Q} . Show that (\mathbb{Q}, R) is strongly minimal, but it does not have weak elimination of imaginaries.

We saw in the lecture that if T is a totally transcendental theory in which each global type has a canonical base in \mathfrak{C} , then T has weak elimination of imaginaries. The proof went as follows: if $e = c/E$ is imaginary and $\text{RM}(c/E) = \alpha$, then we let \mathbb{P} be the global type with $\text{RM} = \alpha$ containing the formula xEc . This type has a canonical base d , and d is the canonical parameter we are looking for. It was left as an exercise to prove that d is finite. This assumption is justified in Aufgaben 3,4,5.

Aufgabe 3. Let \mathbb{D} be a definable class and D be a set such that for each automorphism α

$$\underbrace{\alpha(D) = D}_{\text{pointwise}} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{\alpha(\mathbb{D}) = \mathbb{D}}_{\text{setwise}}$$

show that D contains a canonical parameter of \mathbb{D} .

Aufgabe 4. Let T be totally transcendental and \mathbb{P} be a global type. Show that \mathbb{P} has a finite canonical base in \mathfrak{C}^{eq} .

Aufgabe 5. Using the previous two Aufgaben, show that if \mathbb{P} has a canonical base $D \subseteq \mathfrak{C}$, then it has a finite base $d \subseteq \mathfrak{C}$.

We identified the canonical base for global types in ACF_p as follows: if $\mathbb{P}(\bar{x})$ is a global type, then it is given by an irreducible variety over \mathfrak{C}^n via $\text{tp}(\bar{c}/\mathfrak{C})$ (inaccurate) where \bar{c} is the generic point of V . Also, we can say that $\mathbb{P}(\bar{x})$ is the type whose Morley rank is equal to the Morley rank of V and “ $\bar{x} \in V$ ” $\in \mathbb{P}(\bar{x})$. Let I be the corresponding ideal of V . Then $cb(\mathbb{P}) = [V] = [I]$. Also $[I] = \bigcup_{k=0}^{\infty} [I_k]$ where $I_k = \{p \in I \mid \deg p \geq k\}$ is considered as a sub- \mathfrak{C} -vector space of $\mathfrak{C}^{N(k)}$, where $N(k)$ is the number of all monomials of $\deg \leq k$ in X_1, \dots, X_n , and we have $I = \bigcup_{k=0}^{\infty} I_k$. We are now supposed to apply Andre Weil’s theorem over “the field of definition of variety” to prove:

Aufgabe 6. Let \mathfrak{C} be a field and $U \leq \mathfrak{C}^n$ (as vector spaces). Then $[U]$ exists in \mathfrak{C} (for example if $U = \mathfrak{C} \cdot (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ then $[U] = (a_2/a_1, \dots, a_n/a_1)$).

Let T be stable. We proved that $p \in S(B)$ does not fork over $A \subseteq B$ if and only if p has a good definition over $\text{acl}^{eq}(A)$. In the proof of \Leftarrow we said if p has a good definition over $\text{acl}^{eq}(A)$, then it defines a global type \mathbb{P} extending p , which does not fork over $\text{acl}^{eq}(A)$, and hence over A . The last claim is to be justified below:

Aufgabe 7.

1. If $b_0, b_1 \dots$ is an indiscernible sequence over A , then it is indiscernible over $\text{acl}(A)$.
2. (Hence:) If $\phi(x, b)$ divides over A , then it divides over $\text{acl}(A)$.
3. Give another proof for item 2, using transitivity.

The other direction of the proof went as follows: if p does not fork over A , then it has a global non-forking extension \mathbb{P} . If M is a model containing A , then \mathbb{P} does not fork over M . Since T is stable, \mathbb{P} is defined over M , and hence $cb(\mathbb{P}) \in M^{eq}$. Since M is arbitrary, $cb(\mathbb{P}) \in \text{acl}(A)$. The last sentence is justified below:

Aufgabe 8. Show that

$$\text{acl}(A) = \bigcap_{M \text{ model containing } A} M.$$