

dp-finite fields VI, part 1

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Goal

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As R is of weight exactly n , the set $\{1, x, ay_2, \dots, ay_n\}$ is not R -independent. The only possibility is to have

$x \in R + aRy_2 + \cdots + aRy_n$, which means

$x = b + ar_2y_2 + \cdots + ar_ny_n$; thus $x - b \in \tilde{R} \subset U$. □

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Now $u \in b\mathcal{O}_2$ and not in $a\mathcal{O}_1$. Since $u \in \mathfrak{m}_1 \cap \cdots \cap \mathfrak{m}_m$, we conclude by density of R . □

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Dividing by c this is the conclusion of the previous lemma –
Applied on K^* above the field $K_0 = K$.

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This implies $\mathfrak{p} \subseteq \mathfrak{p}_i$, and since $\mathfrak{p}_j \subseteq \mathfrak{p}$, they can't be pairwise incomparable unless there's only 1.

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