

$$T1.5. = T2.2.$$

Important corollary.

Approximation Theorem. Let v_1, \dots, v_n be pairwise inequivalent valuations. Given $a_1, \dots, a_n \in K$ and $\epsilon > 0$.

There exists $x \in K$ s.t.

$$|x - a_i|_{v_i} < \epsilon \text{ for all } i = 1, \dots, n.$$

What does this mean?

Let $K = \mathbb{Q}$, consider v_3, v_5, v_7 , $\epsilon = \frac{1}{10}$.

Let $a_1 = 2, a_2 = 3, a_3 = 5$.

Then there exists $x \in \mathbb{Q}$,

$$|x - 2|_3 < \frac{1}{10}$$

$$|x - 3|_5 < \frac{1}{10}$$

$$|x - 5|_7 < \frac{1}{10}$$

If $x \in \mathbb{Z}$, says same as

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{27}$$

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{25}$$

$$x \equiv 5 \pmod{49}.$$

(if we know v_3, v_5, v_7 ineq.)

So it's like CRT.

But, maybe $x \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Could also throw in the real valuation.

e.g. $|x - \pi|_\infty < \frac{1}{10}$.

Here, certainly $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ not good enough!

Proof. ~~Before the valuation is fixed,~~

~~find some $x \in K$, let $a_1, \dots, a_n \in K$ and $\epsilon > 0$.~~

Claim. There exists $z \in K$ with

$$|z|_1 > 1, \quad |z|_j < 1 \text{ for } j \neq 1.$$

T1.6. = T2.3.

Proof of claim for $n=2$. (two valuations)

Almost a tautology. By the extended prop.,

there are $\alpha, \beta \in K$ with

$$\begin{aligned} |\alpha|_1 < 1 & \quad |\alpha|_2 \geq 1 & \text{(if } > 1 \text{ we're done)} \\ |\beta|_2 < 1 & \quad |\beta|_1 \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

and $|\frac{\alpha}{\beta}|_1 < 1 \quad |\frac{\alpha}{\beta}|_2 > 1.$

Now, induct. Suppose

$$|z|_1 > 1 \quad |z|_j < 1 \quad \text{for } j = 2, \dots, n-1.$$

If $|z|_n < 1$? done.

If $|z|_n = 1$? Take $z' = z^m y$ where m is big, $|y|_1 < 1 \quad |y|_n > 1.$

If $|z|_n > 1$? Look at $\frac{z^m}{1+z^m}$, converges to 1 u.r.t. $| \cdot |_1$ and $| \cdot |_n$ converges to 0 u.r.t. $| \cdot |_2, \dots, | \cdot |_{n-1}$

Choose $z' = \frac{z^m}{1+z^m} y$, for m big.

So the sequence $\frac{z'^m}{1+z'^m}$ converges to 1 in $| \cdot |_1$ and 0 in $| \cdot |_2, \dots, | \cdot |_n$

(with very close)

Write w_1 for this and similarly w_2, \dots, w_n .

Then, choose $x = a_1 w_1 + a_2 w_2 + \dots + a_n w_n$.

Then $|x - a_1|_1 = |a_1 \underbrace{(w_1 - 1)}_{\text{is really small}} + a_2 w_2 + \dots + a_n w_n|_1$

Similar for $| \cdot |_2, \dots, | \cdot |_{n-1}$ and so $< \epsilon$ for suitable w_i

T 2.4.

Prop. (3.7) Every valuation of \mathbb{Q} is equivalent to one of the valuations $|\cdot|_p$ or $|\cdot|_\infty$

Some general setup and results. (Same proofs as for $\mathbb{Z}_p, \mathbb{Q}_p$.)
(see N., Ch. 3 - 4.)

~~Prop.~~ Proposition. Let K be a field with valuation $v(-)$
and absolute value $|\cdot| = e^{-v(-)} q$
for some $q > 1$.
(Recall: different choices of q : equiv. valuations)

The subset

$$\mathcal{O} = \{x \in K : v(x) \geq 0\} = \{x \in K : |x| \leq 1\}$$

(the valuation ring of K w.r.t. $|\cdot|$)
is a ring with group of units

$$\mathcal{O}^\times = \{x \in K : v(x) = 0\} = \{x \in K : |x| = 1\}$$

and unique maximal ideal

$$\mathfrak{p} = \{x \in K : v(x) \geq 1\} = \{x \in K : |x| < 1\}$$

The valuation is discrete if it has a smallest positive value s , and normalized if $s = 1$.

Dividing by s , can always pass to a normalized valuation.

The prime elements are those in $\mathfrak{p} \setminus \mathfrak{p}^2$.

Writing π for an arbitrary prime elt.,

every $x \in K^\times$ can be written uniquely as $x = u \cdot \pi^m$
for $u \in \mathcal{O}^\times$, $m \in \mathbb{Z}$.

(If $v(x) = m$, then $v(x\pi^{-m}) = 0$ so it is a unit.)

T2.5.

If v is a discrete valuation, then \mathcal{O} is a PID with a unique maximal ideal; i.e. a discrete valuation ring.

The ideals are \mathfrak{p}^n , for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, and we have

$$K^\times = (\pi) \times \mathcal{O}^\times.$$

(In fact, $K^\times = (\pi) \times \underbrace{\mu_{q-1}}_{\text{roots of unity}} \times \underbrace{U^{(1)}}_{\text{principal units } 1+\mathfrak{p}})$

We let $\hat{\mathcal{O}}$ be the completion of \mathcal{O} w.r.t. $|\cdot|$.

Then the maximal ideal of $\hat{\mathcal{O}}$ is $\hat{\mathfrak{p}}$, and

$$\hat{\mathcal{O}} / \hat{\mathfrak{p}}^n \cong \mathcal{O} / \mathfrak{p}^n \text{ for every } n \geq 1.$$

Moreover, we have an isomorphism and homeomorphism

$$\hat{\mathcal{O}} \longrightarrow \varprojlim_n \mathcal{O} / \mathfrak{p}^n.$$

So, the question is:

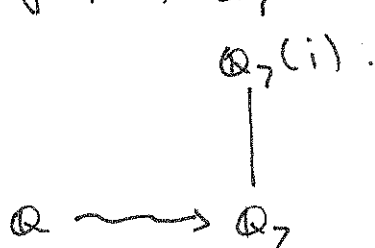
Given K/\mathbb{Q} , can cook up valuations on K .

Complete with respect to them. Get "local fields".

Can take the opposite approach. Start with \mathbb{Q}_p .

Consider an algebraic extension. Do we get the same?

e.g. $\sqrt{-1} \notin \mathbb{Q}_7$.



Is it complete?

Indeed, is it the completion of $\mathbb{Q}(i)$ at (7) ? Yup!

Goal: understand extensions of valuations.

T3.1. Extensions of local fields.

Def. A field K is local if:

- it is complete w.r.t. a discrete valuation;
- it has a finite residue class field,

Theorem. (N 2.5-2) These are precisely the finite extensions of \mathbb{Q}_p and $\mathbb{F}_p((t))$.

Theorem. They all satisfy Hensel's Lemma.
(see N 2.6, "Henselian fields").

Applications of Hensel.

Prop. We have $\mathbb{Q}_p \ni \mu_{p-1}$ ($p-1$ th roots of unity).

Proof. (\mathbb{Z}_p^\times) is an abelian group of size $p-1$.

That means $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ for all $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$.

So $x^{p-1} - 1 \in \mathbb{Z}_p[x]$ splits completely in $\mathbb{F}_p[x]$,
into distinct factors

By Hensel, it splits into distinct factors in $\mathbb{Z}_p[x]$ too.

Prop. ^(4.7) Let K be complete w.r.t. nonarch. |·|. (e.g. $K = \mathbb{Q}_p$)

For every irred. polynomial $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_nx^n \in K[x]$
with $a_0, a_n \neq 0$, one has

$$|f| = \max\{|a_0|, |a_n|\}.$$

(Here $|f| = \max_i |a_i|$.)

In particular, writing \mathcal{O} for the valuation ring of K ,
lower case

$a_n = 1$ and $a_0 \in \mathcal{O}$ imply $f \in \mathcal{O}[x]$.

T3.2.

Proof. By multiplying through by an element of k , can assume $f \in \mathcal{O}[x]$ and $|f| = 1$.

In the list a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots let a_r be the first which has $|a_r| = 1$.

Then, mod \mathfrak{p} ($\mathfrak{p} = \text{max ideal of } \mathcal{O}$),

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &\equiv a_r x^r + a_{r+1} x^{r+1} + \dots + a_n x^n \pmod{\mathfrak{p}} \\
 &= x^r (a_r + a_{r+1} x + \dots + a_n x^{n-r})
 \end{aligned}$$

If $\max\{|a_0|, |a_n|\} < 1$, this is a nontrivial factorization into coprime polynomials.

By Hensel it lifts from \mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p} to \mathcal{O} . Contradiction.

Big Theorem. (4.8) Let k be complete w.r.t. $|\cdot|$

Let L/k be any algebraic extension. Then

$|\cdot|$ extends uniquely to L , with

$$|a| = \sqrt[n]{|N_{L/k}(a)|} \quad (n := [L:k] \text{ when } L/k \text{ finite})$$

Then L is also complete.

Proof. Assume:

- $|\cdot|$ is nonarchimedean (otherwise k is \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C})
- L/k is finite. (Can assume wlog: Prove for $K(a)$, take compositum over all $a \in L$.)

T3.3.

Notation.

$$L \supseteq \mathcal{O} \quad (\text{with } \mathcal{O} \text{ int closure of } \mathfrak{o} \text{ in } L. \text{ will prove: is valuation ring of } L.) \supseteq \mathbb{P} \quad (\text{later})$$

$$K \supseteq \mathfrak{o} \quad (\text{valuation ring}) \supseteq \mathbb{P} \quad (\text{unique max ideal})$$

Note. \mathcal{O} and \mathfrak{o} are easy to confuse. Sorry.

Proof. (existence.)

Let \mathcal{O} be int. closure of \mathfrak{o} in L .

Claim. $\mathcal{O} = \{ \alpha \in L : N_{L/K}(\alpha) \in \mathfrak{o} \}$.

Proof of claim.

\subseteq : Given $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$, satisfies a monic poly in \mathfrak{o}_m
norm is \pm (its last coefficient) for some m .

\supseteq : Given $\alpha \in L^*$ with $N_{L/K}(\alpha) \in \mathfrak{o}$.

Let $f(x) = x^d + a_{d-1}x^{d-1} + \dots + a_0 \in K[x]$
min poly of α .

Then $N_{L/K}(\alpha) = \pm a_0^m$, so $|a_0| \leq 1$ (i.e. $a_0 \in \mathfrak{o}$).

USE PROPOSITION 4.7: $f(x) \in \mathfrak{o}[x]$

By def., $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$.

Now define $|\alpha| := \sqrt[n]{|N_{L/K}(\alpha)|}$. (Note: if $\beta \in K$, $\sqrt[n]{|N_{L/K}(\beta)|} = \sqrt[n]{|\beta|^n} = |\beta|$)

Easy: $|\alpha| = 0 \iff \alpha = 0$
 $|\alpha\beta| = |\alpha||\beta|$.

Want to check strong triangle inequality

$$|\alpha + \beta| \leq \max\{|\alpha|, |\beta|\}$$

~~By dividing by $|\beta|$~~

Assume wlog $|\beta| \leq |\alpha|$, divide by $|\beta|$,
enough to check

$$|\alpha + 1| \leq \max\{|\alpha|, 1\}$$

i.e. $|\alpha + 1| \leq 1$ ~~for $|\alpha| \leq 1$~~ if $|\alpha| \leq 1$.

T3.4.

By claim, this reduces to $\varphi \in \mathcal{O} \Rightarrow \varphi + 1 \in \mathcal{O}$.

But this is trivial. (integral elts are a ring)

Therefore, $|\varphi| = \sqrt[n]{|N_{L/K}(\varphi)|}$ defines a valuation on L which agrees with old valuation on K .

Moreover, \mathcal{O} is the valuation ring by our claim

Uniqueness. Suppose $L \subset L'$ is another ext w/ valuation ring \mathcal{O}' .

Let $\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{P}'$: max ideals of $\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{O}'$.

Claim. $\mathcal{O} \subseteq \mathcal{O}'$.

Proof. Note $\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{O}'$ are both in L (by construction).

Given $\varphi \in \mathcal{O} \setminus \mathcal{O}'$ with min poly

$$f(x) = x^d + a_{d-1}x^{d-1} + \dots + a_0.$$

Then all the a 's are in \mathcal{O} , and $\frac{1}{\varphi} \in \mathcal{P}'$.
(because it is not in \mathcal{O}')

Plug in φ .

$$0 = \varphi^d + a_{d-1}\varphi^{d-1} + \dots + a_0$$

$$0 = 1 + \underbrace{a_{d-1}\varphi^{-1} + \dots + a_0\varphi^{-d}}_{\text{This is in } \mathcal{P}'}$$

This is in \mathcal{P}' , so 1 is also, contradiction.

Thus, $\mathcal{O} \subseteq \mathcal{O}'$, i.e. $|\varphi| \leq 1 \Rightarrow |\varphi|' \leq 1$.

By the approximation theorem, $|\cdot|$ and $|\cdot|'$ are equivalent.

i.e. $|\cdot| = (|\cdot|')^s$ for some $s > 0$.

Since they agree on K , they are equal.

T3.5.

L is complete with respect to this valuation:

Proof omitted; see N. 2.4.9.

So. Extend valuations from K to L . $[L:K] = n$

For absolute values, $|a| = \sqrt[n]{|N_{L/K}(a)|}$.

In terms of (additive valuations),
a valuation v on K extends to a valuation w on L satisfying

$$w(a) = \frac{1}{n} v(N_{L/K}(a)).$$

Note also, if v is normalized s.t. $v(K^\times) = \mathbb{Z}$,

$$\text{then } \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{Z} \subseteq w(L^\times) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}.$$

Example. Let $p = 7$, $K = \mathbb{Q}_p$, $L = \mathbb{Q}_p(\sqrt{p})$.

Then for $a \in L$, $|a| = \sqrt{|N_{L/\mathbb{Q}_p}(a)|}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In particular, } |\sqrt{p}| &= \sqrt{|N(\sqrt{p})|} \\ &= \sqrt{|\sqrt{p} \cdot (-\sqrt{p})|} \\ &= \sqrt{|-p|} = \sqrt{p}. \end{aligned}$$

The same calculation gives $w(\sqrt{p}) = \frac{1}{2}$,

where w is the extended valuation.

Example. Let $p = 7$, $K = \mathbb{Q}_p$, $L = \mathbb{Q}_p(\sqrt{3})$.

(Check: 3 is not a quad. residue.)

Then $N_{L/K}(a + b\sqrt{3}) = a^2 - 3b^2$.

Check: If this is divisible by 7, it is divisible by 7^2 .

Thus. $w(L) = \mathbb{Z}$.

13.6. Definition.

The index $[w(L^x) : v(K^x)]$ is called the ramification index of L/K .

Write $e(w|v)$.

Def. Given L/K w/ valuation rings $\mathcal{O}|\mathcal{o}$,
max ideals $\underline{P}|\underline{p}$.

Have residue fields $\lambda := \mathcal{O}/\underline{P}$
 $\kappa := \mathcal{o}/\underline{p}$.

As before $\kappa \hookrightarrow \lambda$ and λ is a finite ext.

The degree $[\lambda : \kappa]$ is the inertia degree of L/K .

Write it $f(w|v)$.

Theorem. If L/K is finite separable, v is a disc. valuation on K , w extends it, then

$$[L : K] = e(w|v) \cdot f(w|v).$$

(Ponder: where did the g go?)

T4.1.

Last time.

Suppose K is complete w.r.t. v .

L/K alg extension.

Then v may be uniquely extended to L , with

$$|a| = \sqrt[n]{|N_{L/K}(a)|}.$$

L is again complete w.r.t. v .

In terms of additive valuations,

get a valuation w prolonging the valuation v on K ,

with $w(a) = \frac{1}{n} v(N_{L/K}(a))$.

So, $\frac{1}{n} v(K^*) \stackrel{?}{=} w(L^*) \stackrel{?}{=} v(K^*)$.

Def. $e(w|v) := [w(L^*) : v(K^*)]$ is the ramification index of L/K (of $w|v$).

Let \mathcal{O} and \mathfrak{o} be the valuation rings,

$\lambda := \mathcal{O}/\underline{m}_L$ and $\kappa := \mathfrak{o}/\underline{m}_K$ the residue class fields.

We have an injection $\kappa \hookrightarrow \lambda$:

$$\mathfrak{o}/\underline{m}_K \rightarrow \mathcal{O}/\underline{m}_L$$

$$x \rightarrow x.$$

Well defined because $\underline{m}_K \cdot \mathfrak{o} \subseteq \underline{m}_L$.

Injective because 1 is not in the kernel.

Def. $f(w|v) := [\lambda : \kappa]$ is the residue class degree.

T4.2. Remark.

Let π and ϖ be prime elements of \mathcal{O} and \mathfrak{o} .

Then $w(L^\times) = w(\pi) \cdot \mathbb{Z}$, $w(K^\times) = w(\varpi) \cdot \mathbb{Z}$.

$$e = [w(\pi)\mathbb{Z} : w(\varpi)\mathbb{Z}],$$

so that $v(\varpi) = e \cdot w(\pi)$, i.e.

$$\varpi = \varepsilon \cdot \pi^e \text{ for some } \varepsilon \in \mathcal{O}^\times.$$

In particular we see that $\mathfrak{p}\mathcal{O} = \pi\mathcal{O} = \pi^e\mathcal{O} = \underline{P}^e$,

$$\text{i.e. } \mathfrak{p} = \underline{P}^e.$$

Theorem. ^(6.8) Assume L/K is finite separable and l.l discrete.

Then $[L:K] = ef$.

Proof. (1) Show $ef \in [L:K]$.

Let w_1, \dots, w_f be ^{representatives of} a basis for $\lambda|K$. (i.e. they live in L^\times)
 $1, \dots, \pi^{e-1}$ ~~a basis~~ $\in L^\times$ representing ~~a basis~~
all the cosets of $[w(L^\times) : w(K^\times)]$.

Want to show the $w_j \cdot \pi^i$ are (1) linearly independent/ K
(2) a basis of L/K .

To show (1), write

$$\sum_{i=0}^{e-1} \sum_{j=1}^f a_{ij} w_j \pi^i = 0, \quad a_{ij} \in K.$$

If not all a_{ij} are 0, then some $s_i := \sum_{j=1}^f a_{ij} w_j$ is
not zero.

(because the π^i are certainly
linearly independent over K .)

T4.3. Claim. If $s_i \neq 0$ then $w(s_i) \in v(K^x)$.

Proof. Given $\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} w_j \neq 0$,

divide by the a_{iv} of minimum value.

$$\text{Get } s_i' = \frac{s_i}{a_{iv}} = \sum_j \frac{a_{ij}}{a_{iv}} w_j$$

These are in L
These are in $\mathcal{O} \subseteq K$.

The w_j represent a basis for L/K .

Therefore, s_i' can only be $0 \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$ if all a_{ij}' are $0 \pmod{\mathfrak{p}}$.

But we divided by a_{iv} of min value, so $a_{iv}' = 1$,

so $s_i' \not\equiv 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$ and so is a unit in \mathcal{O} .

This implies $w(s_i) = w(a_{iv}) + v(K^x)$ (because $a_{iv} \in K$).

[Note: We're really using everything!]

Now, we had a sum $0 = \sum_{i=0}^{e-1} s_i \pi^i$.

Two summands must have the same valuation, because $w(x) \neq w(y) \Rightarrow w(x+y) = \min\{w(x), w(y)\}$.

However, the s_i all have valuations in $v(K^x)$
the π^i all represent distinct cosets of $\mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{P} \subseteq v(K^x)$ in $w(L^x)$

This is a contradiction.

Proves linear independence, i.e. $e f \in [L:K]$.

T4.9. (2). Need:

Nakayama's Lemma. Let A be a local ring with maximal ideal \underline{m} .

Let M be an A -module, $N \subseteq M$ a submodule with M/N finitely generated.

Then, $M = N + \underline{m}M \implies M = N$.

(Proof. Exercise)

To do (2), consider the \mathcal{O} -module

$$M := \sum_{i=0}^{e-1} \sum_{j=1}^f \mathcal{O} w_j \pi^i.$$

Will argue that $M = \mathcal{O}$, i.e., $\{w_j \pi^i\}$ are not only linearly dependent, but an integral basis for \mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p} .

Write
$$N = \sum_{j=1}^f \mathcal{O} w_j,$$

$$M = N + \pi N + \pi^2 N + \dots + \pi^{e-1} N.$$

Then we have $\mathcal{O} = N + \pi \mathcal{O}$.

Why? For $\# \in \mathcal{O}$, look at $\# \pmod{\pi \mathcal{O}}$.

Get $a_1 w_1 + \dots + a_f w_f \pmod{\pi \mathcal{O}}$ for some $a_i \neq 0$.

Residue can be represented by sum of valuation \mathcal{O} , and all such elts. are spanned by a basis of $\lambda: \kappa$.
(In other words: w_1, \dots, w_f are a basis for $\mathcal{O}/\underline{p}$ over $\mathcal{O}/\underline{p}$.)

(So: a_i are only determined up to $\#$.)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } \mathcal{O} &= N + \pi \mathcal{O} = N + \pi(N + \pi \mathcal{O}) = \dots \\ &= N + \pi N + \dots + \pi^{e-1} N + \pi^e \mathcal{O} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \mathcal{O} = M + \underline{p}^e = M + \# \mathcal{O}.$$

Now \mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{p} is finitely generated (has an integral basis) so Nakayama applies and $\underline{\mathcal{O}} = M$.

T4.5. Def. L/K (finite ext. of \mathbb{Q}_p) is unramified

if $[L:K] = [e(L|K)]$.

i.e. $e(L|K) = 1$.

An arbitrary algebraic extension L/K is unramified if it is a union of finite unramified extensions.

Prop. (7.2) Given $L|K, K'|K$ inside a fixed alg closure \bar{K} . Then,

$L|K$ unramified $\implies L \cdot K'|K$ unramified.

Proof. Write $L' = L \cdot K'$

use the notation $\mathcal{O}, \mathfrak{p}, \kappa, \mathcal{O}', \mathfrak{p}', \kappa', \mathcal{O}, \mathfrak{p}, \lambda, \mathcal{O}', \mathfrak{p}', \lambda'$.

Can argue just for finite extensions.

By the primitive element theorem $\lambda = \kappa(\bar{\alpha})$ for some $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$.

Write $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}[x]$ min poly of α . $\bar{f}(x) = f(x) \pmod{\mathfrak{p}} \in \kappa[x]$.

Then

$[e(L|K)] \leq \deg(\bar{f}) = \deg(f) = [e(K(\alpha)|K)] \leq [L:K] = [e(L|K)]$

so $L = K(\alpha)$ and \bar{f} is the min poly of $\bar{\alpha}$ over κ .

So $L' = K'(\alpha)$.

Why is $L'|K'$ unramified?

Let $g(x) \in \mathcal{O}'[x]$ min poly of α over K' .

$\bar{g}(x) = g(x) \pmod{\mathfrak{p}'} \in \kappa'[x]$.

Note that $\bar{g}(x)$ is a factor of $\bar{f}(x)$.

By Hensel's Lemma $\bar{g}(x)$ is irreducible.

(If it factored, would lift to a factorization of $g(x)$.)

So $[e(L'|K')] \leq [L':K] = \deg(g) = \deg(\bar{g}) = [e(K'(\alpha)|K')] \leq [L':K']$.
So $[L':K'] = [e(L'|K')]$, $L'|K'$ unramified.

T4.6. Cor.

If $L' | K$ is an unramified extension and $L \subseteq L'$, then $L | K$ is also unramified.

Proof. By prop., $L' | L$ is unramified.

$$\text{Have } [L' : K] = [\lambda_{L'} : K]$$

$$[L' : L] = [\lambda_{L'} : \lambda_L].$$

Since field degrees are multiplicative, $L | K$ is un.
(i.e. $[L : K] = [\lambda_L : K]$.)

Cor. If L and L' are unramified over K , so is LL' .

Proof. $LL' | L'$ is unramified, with

$$[\lambda_{L'} : K] = [L' : K]$$

$$[\lambda_{LL'} : \lambda_{L'}] = [LL' : L'].$$

(Use: separability is transitive)

Def. Fix an algebraic closure \bar{K} of K .

Then the composite of all unramified subextensions $L \subseteq \bar{K}$ of K is the maximal unramified extension T of K .

Prop. (7.5) The residue class field of T is $\bar{k} (= \overline{\mathbb{F}_p})$.

Moreover, $v(T^\times) = v(K^\times)$.

Proof. See Neukirch, but this is not hard.

(Tame ramification: 7.6, 7.7, 7.8, 7.9, 7.10, 7.11)