

# L=15 vs L=17: Complete Comparison

Metric	L=15	L=17
Anchors only (derived)	76/97	24/97
Tail positions emerged	16/23	0/23
With canonical tail	97/97	47/97
Produces canonical PT	NO ✗	Partial
Slot mapping	Reuse (1.08/slot)	1-to-1
K3 justification	None	None
Algebraic closure	YES ✓	NO ✗

Key Finding: L=15 achieves algebraic closure but produces DIFFERENT plaintext.  
The emerged tail "IREGXUWJOKQGLICP" ≠ "THEJOYOFANANGLEISTHEARC"  
This suggests L=15 is mathematically viable but semantically incorrect.