Eine Woche, ein Beispiel

5.1 Extension of NA local field

F: NA local field

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not complete, I need time to check the proof

6. Bonus: "plane geometry" for $\mathbb{Q}_q$.

Q. Is there any subfield of $\mathbb{Q}_p$ with finite index?
   Can we classify all subfield of $\mathbb{F}_p((t))$ with finite index?

https://math.stackexchange.com/questions/211582/is-there-a-proper-subfield-k-subset-mathbb-r-such-that-mathbb-rk-is-fin

Ref:
Initial motivation comes from
[AY]https://alex-youcis.github.io/localglobalgalois.pdf
which explains the relationships between local fields and global fields in a geometrical way.

main reference for cohomological dimension:
[NSW2e]https://www.mathi.uni-heidelberg.de/~schmidt/NSW2e/

[JPS96] Galois cohomology by Jean-Pierre Serre
http://p-adic.com/Local%20Fields.pdf
https://people.clas.ufl.edu/rcrew/files/LCFT.pdf
http://www.mcm.ac.cn/faculty/tianyichao/201409/W020140919372982540194.pdf

1. List of well-known results

In general

F: NA local field $\quad E/F$: finite extension

Rmk 1. E is also a NA local field with uniquely extended norm

$$\|x\| := \|N_{E/F}(x)\|_F^{\frac{1}{n}} \qquad \text{resp. } v(x) := \frac{1}{n} v_F(N_{E/F}(x))$$

E.g. $\|1-\zeta_n\| = 1$ in $\mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_n)/\mathbb{Q}_p$ $\quad p \nmid n \qquad v(1-\zeta_n) = 0$

$\|1-\zeta_p\| = \frac{1}{\sqrt[p]{p}}$ in $\mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_p)/\mathbb{Q}_p \qquad v(1-\zeta_p) = \frac{1}{p}$

$\|1-\zeta_5\| = \|(1-\zeta_5)(1-\zeta_5^2)(1-\zeta_5^3)(1-\zeta_5^4)\|_{\mathbb{Q}_5}^{\frac{1}{5}} = \|5\|_{\mathbb{Q}_5}^{\frac{1}{5}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[5]{5}}$ in $\mathbb{Q}_5(\zeta_5)$

$\|1-\zeta_{p^n}\| = p^{-\frac{1}{\varphi(p^n)}}$ in $\mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^n})/\mathbb{Q}_p \qquad v(1-\zeta_{p^n}) = \frac{1}{\varphi(p^n)}$

$\Rightarrow 1-\zeta_{p^n}$ is a uniformizer of $\mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^n})$

Rmk 2. [AY, Thm 1.9]

$\mathcal{O}_E$ is monogenic, i.e. $\mathcal{O}_E = \mathcal{O}_F[\alpha] \quad \exists \alpha \in \mathcal{O}_E$

Cor. (primitive element thm for NA local field)

$E = F[x]/(g(x)) \quad \exists x \in \mathcal{O}_E,\ g(x)$ min poly of x.

Rmk: Every separable finite field extension has a primitive element, see wiki:
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Primitive_element_theorem
Separable condition is necessary, see
https://mathoverflow.net/questions/21/finite-extension-of-fields-with-no-primitive-element

Rmk 3. Any finite extension of $\mathbb{Q}_p$ is of form $\mathbb{Q}_p[x]/(g(x))$,
where $g(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ is an irr poly.

Any finite extension of $\mathbb{F}_q((t))$ is of form $\mathbb{F}_q((t))[x]/(g(x))$
where $g(x) \in \mathbb{F}_q(t)[x]$ is an irr poly..

Both are achieved by Krasner's lemma.

https://math.stackexchange.com/questions/1176495/the-maximal-unramified-extension-of-a-local-field-may-not-be-complete

$$v = v_F = \tfrac{1}{e} v_E \qquad \|\cdot\| = \|\cdot\|_F = \|\cdot\|_E^{\frac{1}{e}} \qquad \mathfrak{p}_F \mathcal{O}_E = \mathfrak{p}_E^e$$

$$\begin{array}{lllll}
E & v_E = e v & \|\cdot\|_E = \|\cdot\|^e & \pi_E = \pi_F^{\frac{1}{e}} & v(\pi_E) = \frac{1}{e} \\
\big| \text{ deg } n & & & & \\
F & v_F & \|\cdot\|_F & \pi_F & v(\pi_F) = 1
\end{array}$$

Unramified / totally ramified

Good ref: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Finite_extensions_of_local_fields
It collects the equivalent conditions of unramified/totally ramified field extensions.

| tot ram | wild ram
| | tame ram

| field ext

| ~~split~~ in local case

When E/F is tot ramified,

$e = n \qquad v(\pi_E) = \frac{1}{n}$

$\mathcal{O}_E = \mathcal{O}_F[\pi_E] \qquad \min(\pi_E) \in \mathcal{O}_F[x]$ is Eisenstein poly.

Lemma. Let E/F: NA local field, $e = e(E/F)$, $r \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 0}$. Easy to see

$$\mathfrak{p}_E^{1+r} \cap F = \{x \in F \mid v_E(x) \geq \tfrac{1}{e}(1+r)\}$$
$$\mathfrak{p}_F^{1+[\frac{r}{e}]} = \{x \in F \mid v_F(x) \geq 1 + [\tfrac{r}{e}]\}$$

Then

when E/F is tamely ramified

$$\mathrm{Tr}_{E/F}(\mathfrak{p}_E^{1+r}) \overset{=}{\subseteq} \mathfrak{p}_E^{1+r} \cap F = \mathfrak{p}_F^{1+[\frac{r}{e}]}$$

Table for $e = 3$: ("proof of lemma")

r	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$\frac{1}{e}(1+r)$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	1	$\frac{4}{3}$	$\frac{5}{3}$	2	$\frac{7}{3}$	$\frac{8}{3}$
$1+[\frac{r}{e}]$	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3

E.g. $E/F = \mathbb{Q}_{49}/\mathbb{Q}_7 = \mathbb{Q}_7(\sqrt{3})/\mathbb{Q}_7$ is unramified.

$$\begin{aligned} v(a+b\sqrt{3}) &= \tfrac{1}{2} v(N_{E/F}(a+b\sqrt{3})) \\ &= \tfrac{1}{2} v(a^2-3b^2) \\ &= \tfrac{1}{2}\min(v(a^2), v(b^2)) \\ &= \min(v(a), v(b)) \end{aligned}$$ $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}_7$

$\mathcal{O}_E = \mathbb{Z}_7(\sqrt{3})$ $\quad \mathfrak{p}_E = (7, 7\sqrt{3}) = (7)$ $\quad k_E = \mathbb{Z}_7(\sqrt{3})/(7)$
$\cong \mathbb{Z}_7[\alpha]/(\alpha^2-3, 7) \cong \mathbb{F}_7(\sqrt{3}) \cong \mathbb{F}_{49}$

$\mathfrak{p}_E^{1+r} = (7)^{1+r} = (7^{1+r})$ $\quad Tr_{E/F}(\mathfrak{p}_E^{1+r}) = \mathfrak{p}_F^{1+r} = \mathfrak{p}_E^{1+r} \cap F$ $\quad r \geq 0$

E.g. $E/F = \mathbb{Q}_7(\sqrt{7})/\mathbb{Q}_7$ is tamely ramified.

$$\begin{aligned} v(a+b\sqrt{7}) &= \tfrac{1}{2} v(N_{E/F}(a+b\sqrt{7})) \\ &= \tfrac{1}{2} v(a^2-7b^2) \\ &= \tfrac{1}{2}\min(v(a^2), 1+v(b^2)) \\ &= \min(v(a), \tfrac{1}{2}+v(b)) \end{aligned}$$ $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}_7$

$\mathcal{O}_E = \mathbb{Z}_7(\sqrt{7})$ $\quad \mathfrak{p}_E = (7, \sqrt{7}) = (\sqrt{7})$ $\quad k_E = \mathbb{Z}_7(\sqrt{7})/(\sqrt{7})$
$\cong \mathbb{Z}_7[\alpha]/(\alpha^2-7, \alpha) \cong \mathbb{Z}_7/(7) \cong \mathbb{F}_7$

$$\mathfrak{p}_E^{1+r} = (\sqrt{7})^{1+r} = \begin{cases} (7^{\frac{1+r}{2}}) & r \text{ odd} \\ \sqrt{7}\cdot(7^{\frac{r}{2}}) & r \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

$Tr(7^{\frac{1+r}{2}}) = 2\cdot 7^{\frac{1+r}{2}}$ $\quad r \geq 0$
$Tr(\sqrt{7}\cdot 7^{\frac{r}{2}}) = 0$

So $Tr_{E/F}(\mathfrak{p}_E^{1+r}) = \mathfrak{p}_E^{1+r} \cap F = \mathfrak{p}_F^{1+[\frac{r}{2}]}$.

2. $\hat{\mathbb{Z}}$ = profinite completion of $\mathbb{Z}$ (Recall 2022.2.13 outer auto...)

$$\hat{\mathbb{Z}} := \prod_{l} \mathbb{Z}_l \qquad \hat{\mathbb{Z}}^{(p)} := \prod_{l \neq p} \mathbb{Z}_l$$

$$\hat{\mathbb{Z}}^\times = \prod_{l} \mathbb{Z}_l^\times \qquad (\hat{\mathbb{Z}}^\times)^{(p)} := \prod_{l \neq p} \mathbb{Z}_l = \left(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}^{(p)}\right)^\times$$

Prop. ① $\mathrm{Hom}_{\text{pro-gp}}(\mathbb{Z}_l, \mathbb{Z}_m) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}_l & l = m \\ 0 & l \neq m \end{cases}$ l, m prime.

② $\mathrm{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_p) = \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$

$\mathrm{Aut}(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}) = \hat{\mathbb{Z}}^\times$ in the category of profinite gps.

$\mathrm{Aut}(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}^{(p)}) = \hat{\mathbb{Z}}^{\times (p)}$

③ $\mathcal{O}_F, \mathcal{O}_F^\times$ are profinite groups, so $\hat{\mathcal{O}}_F = \mathcal{O}_F$ $\hat{\mathcal{O}}_F^\times = \mathcal{O}_F^\times$.

3. Big picture

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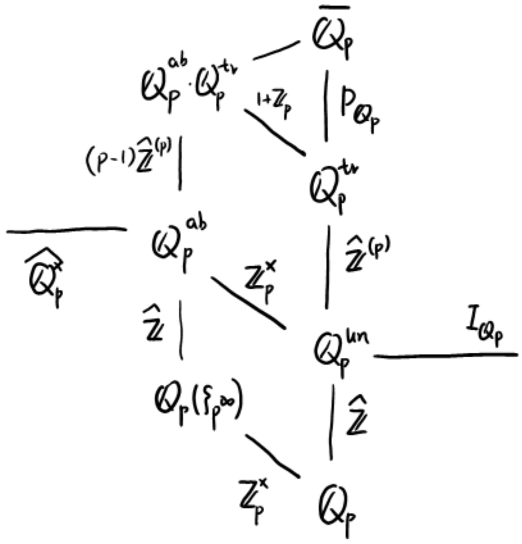
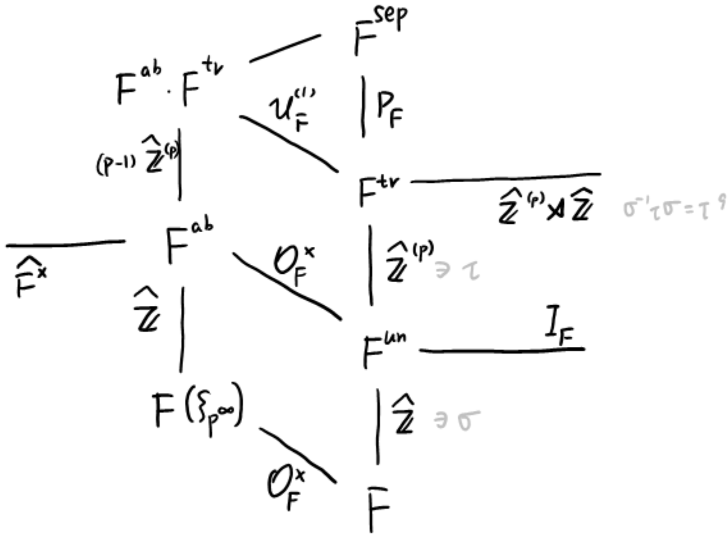




F: NA local field with char $k = p$

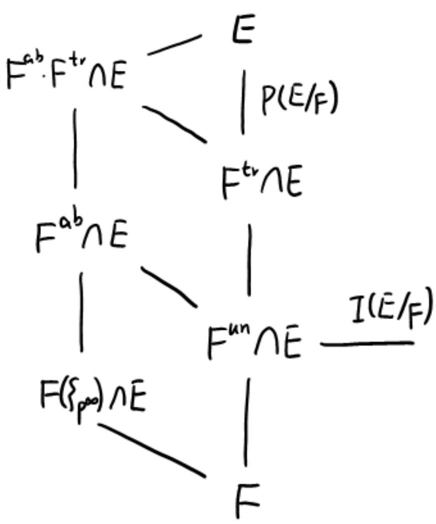
unramified $\quad F^{un} = \bigcup_{n\geq 1} F(\zeta_{p^n-1}) \overset{\text{Fermat's little thm}}{=\!=} \bigcup_{\substack{n\geq 1\\ p\nmid n}} F(\zeta_n)$

tame ramified $\quad F^{tr} = F^{un}\left(\pi_F^{\frac{1}{n}}\Big|_{(n,p)=1}\right)$
$\quad = F\left(\pi_F^{\frac{1}{n}}, \zeta_n\Big|_{(n,p)=1}\right)$

abelian $\quad F^{ab} = F(\zeta_\infty) := \bigcup_{n\geq 1} F(\zeta_n)$

$$F^{ab}\cdot F^{tr} = F\left(\pi_F^{\frac{1}{n}}, \zeta_\infty\Big|_{(n,p)=1}\right)$$

https://math.stackexchange.com/questions/507671/the-galois-group-of-a-composite-of-galois-extensions



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\begin{tikzcd}[row sep=small]
(\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z})^\times & & \mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^n}) \arrow[d, dash] & \\
& \mathbb{Q}_p\left(\sum\limits_{i\in(\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z})^\times\cap\mu_{p-1}} \zeta_{p^n}^i\right) \arrow[ur, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/(p-1)\mathbb{Z}"] \arrow[dddd, dash, "1+p\mathbb{Z}/1+p^n\mathbb{Z}"'] & \cdots \arrow[d, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}"] & \\
(\mathbb{Z}/p^2\mathbb{Z})^\times & & \mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^2}) \arrow[d, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}"] \arrow[r, dash] & I_p \sim I_{p^2-1} \\
(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times & & \mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_p) \arrow[d, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/(p-1)\mathbb{Z}"] \arrow[r, dash] & I_1 \sim I_{p-1} \\
& & \mathbb{Q}_p \arrow[r, dash] & I_0 = I_{-1}
\end{tikzcd}
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$E/F = \mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^n})/\mathbb{Q}_p$

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\begin{tikzcd}[row sep=small]
(\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z})^\times & & \mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^\infty}) \arrow[d, dash] & \\
& \bigcup\limits_{n\in\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}} \mathbb{Q}_p\left(\sum\limits_{i\in(\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z})^\times\cap\mu_{p-1}} \zeta_{p^n}^i\right) \arrow[ur, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/(p-1)\mathbb{Z}"] \arrow[dddd, dash, "1+p\mathbb{Z}"'] & \cdots \arrow[d, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}"] & \\
(\mathbb{Z}/p^2\mathbb{Z})^\times & & \mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^2}) \arrow[d, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}"] \arrow[r, dash] & I^2 = U^{(2)}_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \\
(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times & & \mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_p) \arrow[d, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/(p-1)\mathbb{Z}"] \arrow[r, dash] & I^1 = U^{(1)}_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \\
& & \mathbb{Q}_p \arrow[r, dash] & I^0 = U^{(0)}_{\mathbb{Q}_p} = \mathbb{Z}_p^\times
\end{tikzcd}
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$E/F = \mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^\infty})/\mathbb{Q}_p$

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\begin{tikzcd}
\mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_p) \arrow[d, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}"] \\
\mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_p+\zeta_p^{-1}) \arrow[d, dash] \\
\mathbb{Q}_p
\end{tikzcd}
\qquad
\begin{tikzcd}
\mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_p) \arrow[d, dash] \\
\mathbb{Q}_p(\sqrt{p}) \arrow[d, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}"] \\
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\end{tikzcd}
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\mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_p) \arrow[d, dash] \\
\mathbb{Q}_p(\sqrt{-p}) \arrow[d, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}"] \\
\mathbb{Q}_p
\end{tikzcd}
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\begin{tikzcd}
\mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^\infty}) \arrow[d, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}"] \\
\bigcup\limits_{n\in\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}} \mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^n}+\zeta_{p^n}^{-1}) \arrow[d, dash] \\
\mathbb{Q}_p^{abwr} := \bigcup\limits_{n\in\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}} \mathbb{Q}_p\left(\sum\limits_{i\in(\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z})^\times\cap\mu_{p-1}} \zeta_{p^n}^i\right)
\end{tikzcd}
\qquad
\begin{tikzcd}
\mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^\infty}) \arrow[d, dash] \\
\mathbb{Q}_p^{abwr}(\sqrt{p}) \arrow[d, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}"] \\
\mathbb{Q}_p^{abwr}
\end{tikzcd}
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\mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^\infty}) \arrow[d, dash] \\
\mathbb{Q}_p^{abwr}(\sqrt{p}) \arrow[d, dash, "\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}"] \\
\mathbb{Q}_p^{abwr}
\end{tikzcd}
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p odd $\qquad$ $p \equiv 1 \pmod 4$ $\qquad$ $p \equiv 3 \pmod 4$

4. Henselian ring.

Main ref: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henselian_ring

R comm with 1 (local in this section)

Def. A local ring (R, m) is Henselian if Hensel's lemma holds, i.e.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{for } P \in R[x] & & \exists f_i \in P[x] \quad ② \; P = f_1 \cdots f_n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow ① \\ \bar{P} = g_1 \cdots g_n \in R/m[x] & & g_i \in R/m[x] \end{array}$$

(R, m) is strictly Henselian if additionally $(R/m)^{sep} = R/m$.

E.g.
- Fields / Complete Hausdorff local rings are Henselian.
  e.p. F, $\mathcal{O}_F$ are Henselian
- R is Henselian $\Leftrightarrow$ $R/_{Nil(R)}$ is Henselian
  $\Leftrightarrow$ $R/_I$ is Henselian for $\forall\, I \triangleleft R$
  e.p. when $\operatorname{Spec} R = \{*\}$, R is Henselian.

Denote $\quad \mathrm{StrHense} \subset \mathrm{Hense} \subset \mathrm{locRing} \subset \mathrm{CommRing} \quad$ full subcategories

zero

$$\begin{tikzcd}
\mathrm{Str\ Hense} \arrow[r, "\text{forget}"'] & \mathrm{Hense} \arrow[l, dashed, bend right, "{[\text{Stack_OBSL}]}"'] \arrow[r, "\text{forget}"'] \arrow[r, phantom, "\perp"] & \mathrm{locRing} \arrow[l, bend right, "(-)^h"'] \arrow[ll, bend right=50, "(-)^{sh}"']
\end{tikzcd}$$

Sadly not adjoint ?

E.g. $F^h = F \qquad F^{sh} = F^{un}$

Geometrically, Henselian means $\operatorname{Spec} R/m \longrightarrow \operatorname{Spec} R$ has a section.

5. Cohomological dimension

main reference for cohomological dimension:
[NSW2e]https://www.mathi.uni-heidelberg.de/~schmidt/NSW2e/

https://mathoverflow.net/questions/349484/what-is-known-about-the-cohomological-dimension-of-algebraic-number-fields

This section is initially devoted to the following result:

Prop. [(7.5.1)] The wild inertia gp P_F is free pro-p-group of countably infinite rank.

See [Galois Theory of p-Extensions, Chap 4] for the definition and construction of free pro-p-groups.

Q: Do we have the adjoint

$$\begin{tikzcd} \text{Pro-p-gp} \arrow[r, bend right, "\text{forget}"'] \arrow[r, phantom, "\perp"] & \text{Set} \arrow[l, bend right, "(\ )^{\text{free}}"'] \end{tikzcd}$$

?

Now let G: profinite gp

$\mathrm{Mod}(G)$: category of discrete G-modules

full subcategory of $\mathrm{Mod}(G)$:
- $\mathrm{Mod}_t(G)$: torsion
- $\mathrm{Mod}_p(G)$: p-torsion
- $\mathrm{Mod}_f(G)$: finite

viewed as abelian gp

Lemma For abelian torsion gp X, denote
$$X(p) := \{x \in X \mid x^{p^k} = 1 \quad \exists k \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}\}$$
we have $X = \bigoplus_p X(p)$.

This is trivial when X is finite, but I don't know how to prove this in the general case. It should be not too hard.

Def [[3.3.1]] (cohomological dimension) p prime

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{cd}\, G &= \sup\{i \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 0} \mid \exists A \in \mathrm{Mod}_t(G),\ H^i(G,A) \neq 0\} \\
\mathrm{tcd}\, G &= \sup\{i \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 0} \mid \exists A \in \mathrm{Mod}(G),\ H^i(G,A) \neq 0\} \\
\mathrm{cd}_p\, G &= \sup\{i \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 0} \mid \exists A \in \mathrm{Mod}_t(G),\ H^i(G,A)(p) \neq 0\} \\
\mathrm{tcd}_p\, G &= \sup\{i \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 0} \mid \exists A \in \mathrm{Mod}(G),\ H^i(G,A)(p) \neq 0\}
\end{aligned}$$

Prop. (local to global) $\mathrm{cd}\, G = \sup_p \mathrm{cd}_p\, G$ $\qquad$ $\mathrm{scd}\, G = \sup_p \mathrm{scd}_p\, G$

Prop. [(3.3.2)] $\mathrm{cd}_p G \leq n \iff H^{n+1}(G,A) = 0 \quad \forall$ simple G-mod A with $pA = 0$

e.p. for G: pro-p-gp,
$$\mathrm{cd}_p G \leq n \iff H^{n+1}(G, \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) = 0$$

E.g. $\mathrm{cd}_p \hat{\mathbb{Z}} = 1 \qquad \mathrm{scd}_p \hat{\mathbb{Z}} = 2$

Prop. [(3.3.5)] For $H \leq G$ closed,
$$\mathrm{cd}_p H \leq \mathrm{cd}_p G \qquad \mathrm{scd}_p H \leq \mathrm{scd}_p G$$
When $p \nmid [G:H]$ or $[H \text{ open} + \mathrm{cd}_p G < +\infty]$, the equality holds.
Weaker condition: see [(3.3.5, Serre)]

Cor. G: profinite gp, then
$$\mathrm{cd}_p\, G = 0 \iff p \nmid \# G$$

Prop. [(3.5.17)] A pro-p-gp G is free iff $\mathrm{cd}\, G \leq 1$.

Prop[(7.1.8)] (i) F NA local field with char $k = p$.

$$cd_l(F) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } l \neq \operatorname{char} F, \\ 1 & \text{if } l = \operatorname{char} F. \end{cases}$$

For any E/F field extension s.t. $l^\infty \mid \deg E/F$, $cd_l(E) \leq 1$.

(ii) Fix $n \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$ s.t $\operatorname{char} F \nmid n$.

$$H^i(F, \mu_n) = \begin{cases} F^\times/(F^\times)^n & i = 1 \\ \frac{1}{n}\mathbb{Z}/\mathbb{Z} & i = 2 \\ 0 & i \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

[Proof for Prop (7.5.1)

Now $l^\infty \mid \deg F^{tr}/F \overset{(7.1.8)}{\Rightarrow} cd_l(F^{tr}) \leq 1$ $\quad \forall$ prime l

$\Leftrightarrow cd(F^{tr}) \leq 1$

$\Leftrightarrow P_F$ is free pro-p-group. $\square$]

6. Bonus: "plane geometry" for $\mathbb{Q}_9$.

In this section, the picture comes from [https://www.nt.th-koeln.de/fachgebiete/mathe/knospe/p-adic/] by Heiko Knospe.

I want to define:
Compare Q_9 and Q_3(\sqrt(3))
triangle (Actually we just concider 3 points, and they may be "collinear")
disk
sphere
line(in higher dimension, like Q_9 or Q_3(\sqrt(3)))
P^1(Q_3) (should characterize all lines in Q_9 passing through 0)
intersections of disks, spheres and lines
no angle, no perpendicular, but parallel lines
sphere packing? Symmetric group of the objects considered? connection with the tree-structures/Bruhat--Tits building?