## TOPICS IN TROPICAL GEOMETRY

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As a consequence, one has

$$p(a + b) \le (n + 1)^{1/n} \sup(p(a), p(b)).$$

When  $n \to +\infty$ , we obtain the upper bound  $p(a+b) \le \sup(p(a), p(b))$ ; this proves that p is nonarchimedean.

*Example* **(3.1.6)**. — A theorem of Ostrowski describes the multiplicative seminorms on the field  $\mathbf{Q}$  of rational numbers.

- a) The usual absolute value  $|\cdot|$ , and its powers  $|\cdot|^r$  for  $r \in ]0;1]$ ;
- b) For every prime number p, the p-adic absolute value  $|\cdot|_p$ , and its powers  $|\cdot|_p^r$ , for all  $r \in ]0; +\infty[$ ;
- c) The trivial absolute value  $|\cdot|_0$  defined by  $|0|_0 = 0$  and  $|a|_0 = 1$  for all  $a \in \mathbf{O}^{\times}$ .

*Example* (3.1.7). — Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an ultrafilter on N that contains the Fréchet filter:  $\mathcal{U}$  is a set of  $\mathfrak{P}(N)$  satisfying the following properties, for  $A, B \subset N$ :

- (i) If  $\bigcap A$  is finite, then  $A \in \mathcal{U}$ ;
- (ii) If  $A \subset B$  and  $A \in \mathcal{U}$ , then  $B \in \mathcal{U}$ ;
- (iii) If  $A, B \in \mathcal{U}$ , then  $A \cap B \in \mathcal{U}$ ;
- \_ (iv) Ø ∉ \( \mathcal{U} \).
- $\rightarrow$  (v) If  $A \notin \mathcal{U}$ , then  $CA \in \mathcal{U}$ ;

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The existence of ultrafilters follows from Zorn's theorem, the set of subsets of  $\mathfrak{P}(\mathbf{N})$  satisfying (i)–(iv) being inductive with respect to inclusion.

Members of a chosen (ultra)filter are sorts of neighborhoods of infinity. In particular, one can define the notion of *convergence along*  $\mathcal{U}$  for a sequence  $(a_n)$ :  $\lim_{n,\mathcal{U}}(a_n) = a$  if for every neighborhood V of a, the set of  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $a_n \in \mathbb{V}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{U}$ . Every sequence with valued in a *compact* (Hausdorff) topological space has a unique limit along  $\mathcal{U}$ .

Fix a sequence  $t = (t_n)$  of strictly positive real numbers converging to  $+\infty$ .

Let  $B_t$ , resp.  $Z_t$ , be the set of all sequences  $(a_n) \in \mathbb{C}^N$  such that  $\lim_{n,\mathcal{U}} |a_n|/t_n < \infty$ , resp.  $\lim_{n,\mathcal{U}} |a_n|/t_n = 0$ . The set  $B_t$  is a subring of the product ring  $\mathbb{C}^N$ , and  $Z_t$  is a maximal ideal of  $B_t$ . The quotient  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra  $K_t = B_t/Z_t$  is an algebraically closed field. The map  $(a_n) \mapsto \lim_{n,\mathcal{U}} |a_n|/t_n$  gives rise to an absolute value on  $K_t$  which restricts to the trivial absolute value on  $\mathbb{C}$ . In particular, it is nonarchimedean.

The study of the logarithmic limit set of a complex variety amounts more or less to the study of the nonarchimedean amoeba of the associated  $K_t$ -variety.

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Theorem (3.2.7). — Let R be a finitely generated K-algebra and let  $f = (f_1, \ldots, f_n)$  be a generating family. The continuous map  $\mathcal{M}(R)$  to  $\mathbf{R}^n$  given by  $p \mapsto (p(f_1), \ldots, p(f_n))$  is proper. In particular,  $\mathcal{M}(R)$  is a locally compact topological space.

*Proof.* — Let  $\varphi: K[T_1, \ldots, T_n] \to R$  be the unique morphism of K-algebras such that  $\varphi(T_j) = f_j$  for all  $j \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$ . Since it induces a closed embedding of  $\mathcal{M}(R)$  into  $\mathcal{M}(K[T_1, \ldots, T_n])$ , it suffices to treat the case where  $R = K[T_1, \ldots, T_n]$  and  $f_j = T_j$  for all j.

For  $r \in \mathbf{R}$ , the set  $V_r$  of all  $p \in \mathcal{M}(R)$  such that  $p(T_j) < r$  for all j is open in  $\mathcal{M}(R)$  and the union of all  $V_r$  is equal to  $\mathcal{M}(R)$ . Moreover, the closure of  $V_r$  is contained in the set  $W_r$  of all  $p \in \mathcal{M}(R)$  such that  $p(T_j) \le r$  for all j. Consequently, to prove that  $\mathcal{M}(R)$  is locally compact, it suffices to prove that  $W_r$  is compact.

The map  $j: \mathcal{M}(R) \to \mathbf{R}_+^R$  given by  $p \mapsto (p(f))$  is continuous, by definition of the topology of  $\mathcal{M}(R)$  and of the product topology. It is injective, by the definition of a seminorm. Moreover, its image is the subset of  $\mathbf{R}_+^R$  defined by the relations in the definition of a multiplicative seminorm, each of them defining a closed subset of  $\mathbf{R}_+^R$  since it involves only finitely many elements of  $\mathbf{R}$ . Finally, j is a

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homeomorphism onto its image. Indeed, the inverse bijection associates to a family  $c=(c_f)$  the multiplicative seminorm  $f\mapsto c_f$ . To prove that  $j^{-1}$  is continuous, it suffices to prove that for every  $f\in R$ , the composition  $c\mapsto j^{-1}(c)(f)$  is continuous; since this map is the restriction of the projection  $c\mapsto c_f$ , this is indeed the case, by the definition of the product topology.

For  $f \in \mathbb{R}$ , set  $||f||_r = \sup_m |c_m|r^{|m|}$ , where  $f = \sum c_m T^m \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $|m| = m_1 + \cdots + m_n$ . For every  $p \in W_r$ , one has  $p(f) \leq ||f||_r$ , so that  $j(W_r) \subset \prod_{f \in \mathbb{R}} [0; ||f||_r]$ . According to Tikhonov's theorem, the latter set is compact, as a product of compact sets: consequently.

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are locally compact, this implies that this map is proper (BOURBAKI (1971), chap 1, §10, n° 3, prop. 7). □

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*Proof.* — Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $v_x$  be the Gauss absolute value of  $K(T_1, \ldots, T_n)$  such that  $v_x(T_j) = e^{x_j}$  for all j. One has  $\lambda(v_x) = x$ , so that  $\lambda$  is surjective.

By theorem 3.2.7, the map

$$p \mapsto (\log(p(T_1)), \dots, \log(p(T_n)), \log(p(T_1^{-1})), \log(p(T_n^{-1})))$$

from  $X^{an} \to \mathbb{R}^{2n}$  is continuous and proper. Its image is contained in the closed subspace L of  $\mathbb{R}^{2n}$  defined by the equations  $x_1 = x_{n+1}, x_2 = x_{n+2}, x_n = x_{2n}$ , so that  $\lambda$  induces a continuous and proper map from  $X^{an}$  to L. The corollary follows from the fact that the linear projection  $(x_1, \ldots, x_{2n}) \mapsto (x_1, \ldots, x_n)$  from  $\mathbb{R}^{2n}$  to  $\mathbb{R}^n$  induces an homeomorphism from L to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**3.2.9.** — The scheme  $X = \operatorname{Spec}(K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}])$  is the n-dimensional torus over K, the algebraic-geometry analogue of the complex manifold  $(\mathbf{C}^*)^n$ . The map  $\lambda$  is then the analogue of the tropicalization map  $(\mathbf{C}^*)^n \to \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $(z_1, \ldots, z_n) \mapsto (\log(|z_1|), \ldots, \log(|z_n|))$  studied in chapter 2.

If I is an ideal of  $K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$ , then the closed subscheme V(I) of X has a Berkovich analytification  $\mathcal{V}(I)$ , naturally a closed subspace of  $X^{an} = \mathcal{M}(K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}])$ , and its image  $\lambda(\mathcal{V}(I))$  is the *tropicalization* of V(I).

In the algebraic geometry of schemes, one makes a careful distinction between the scheme X (or its closed subscheme V(I)) and its set

 $M(K(T_1^{\pm 1}, T_n^{\pm 1})) \longrightarrow \text{hyperbole}(P_1P_{n+1}^{\pm 1}) \stackrel{E}{\longrightarrow} \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$   $= X_n \neq X_{2n}$  = 0  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$   $= X_n \neq X_{2n}$  = 0

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of points X(K) with values in a given field. One has a natural identification of X(K) with  $(K^{\times})^n$ , an n-tuple  $(z_1, \ldots, z_n) \in (K^{\times})^n$  being identified with the images of  $T_1, \ldots, T_n$  by a morphism of K-algebras from  $K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  to K; more generally, for any K-algebra L, the set X(L) identifies with  $(L^{\times})^n$ . Then, the set V(I)(L) identifies with the set of elements  $(z_1, \ldots, z_n) \in (L^{\times})^n$  such that  $f(z_1, \ldots, z_n) = 0$  for all  $f \in I$ .

Similarly, a point in  $K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  is a multiplicative seminorm p on this K-algebra. Its kernel  $J_p = \{f : f(p) = 0\}$  is a prime ideal of  $K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  and p induces a multiplicative norm on the quotient K-algebra  $K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]/J_p$ , and then on its field of fractions  $L_p$  which is a an extension of K endowed with an absolute value that extends the absolute value on K. The field  $L_p$  is generated by the images  $z_1, \ldots, z_n$  of  $T_1, \ldots, T_n$  by the morphism of K-algebras  $K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}] \to L_p$ , and the condition  $p \in \mathcal{V}(I)$  is equivalent to the condition  $I \subset J_p$ , or to the condition  $f(z_1, \ldots, z_n) = 0$  for all  $f \in I$ . Conversely, any valued extension L of K and any family  $(z_1, \ldots, z_n) \in (L^{\times})^n$  such that  $f(z_1, \ldots, z_n) = 0$  for all  $f \in I$  gives rise to a point in  $\mathcal{V}(I)$ , given by the multiplicative seminorm  $f \mapsto |f(z_1, \ldots, z_n)|$  on  $K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$ .

Consequently, the tropicalization of V(I) is the set of all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  for which there exists a valued extension L of K and a family

 $(z_1,...,z_n) \in (L^{\times})^n$  such that  $f(z_1,...,z_n) = 0$  for all  $f \in I$  and  $(\log(|z_1|),...,\log(|z_n|)) = (x_1,...,x_n)$ .

## 3.3. Nonarchimedean amoebas of hypersurfaces

**3.3.1.** — Let K be a field endowed with a nonarchimedean absolute value. Let R be the valuation ring of K, let k its residue field and red :  $R \rightarrow k$  the reduction morphism; it maps the maximal ideal to 0 and induces a morphism of groups from  $R^{\times}$  to  $k^{\times}$ .

The map from  $v: K^{\times}$  to  $\mathbf{R}$  given by  $a \mapsto -\log(|a|)$  is a morphism of groups. Let  $\Gamma$  be its image. One says that the given valued field K is split if we are given a *section* of the surjective map v. Such a section does not exist in general, but it does exist in the following two important cases:

- Assume that K is discretely valued. Then R is a discrete valuation ring. If t is a given generator of its maximal ideal, one has  $\Gamma = \mathbf{Z} \log(|t|)$  and the map  $n \log(|t|) \mapsto t^n$  is a section as required.
- If K is algebraically closed, then such a section also exists, by an abstract homological algebra argument. Indeed, in this case,  $R^{\times}$  is a divisible abelian group, hence an injective **Z**-module. In a more elementary way, one can also use the fact that  $\Gamma$  is a uniquely divisible abelian group, hence a **Q**-vector space. It then suffices to choose, in a compatible manner, nth roots of a given element of  $K^{\times}$ .

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Let  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and let  $a \in K^{\times}$  be such that  $\log(|a|) = \gamma$ . Let us choose inductively elements  $a_n \in K^{\times}$  such that  $a_1 = a$  and  $(a_n)^n = a_{n-1}$  for all integers  $n \geq 2$ . In particular  $(a_n)^{n!} = a$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . Moreover, if  $m \geq n$ , then n divides m! and we see by induction that  $(a_m)^{m!/n} = (a_n)^{n!/n} = (a_n)^{(n-1)!}$ . Then there is a unique morphism of groups from  $\mathbb{Q}\gamma$  to  $K^{\times}$  that maps  $\frac{m}{n}\gamma$  to  $(a_n)^{(n-1)!m}$  for all  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $n \geq 1$ .

If K is a split valued field, then we can extend the morphism of groups red:  $R^{\times} \to k^{\times}$  to a morphism of monoids  $\rho: K \to k$ , by setting  $\rho(a) = \operatorname{red}(at^{-v(a)})$ . Note that  $\rho$  restricts to a morphism of groups from  $K^{\times}$  to  $k^{\times}$ .

Definition (3.3.2). — Let  $f \in K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  be a Laurent polynomial; write  $f = \sum c_m T^m$ .

a) The tropical polynomial associated with f is the map

$$\tau_f: (\mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}, \quad x \mapsto \sup_m (\log(|c_m|) + \langle m, x \rangle).$$

b) The tropical hypersurface defined by f is the subset  $\mathcal{T}_f$  of all  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$  such that there exist two distinct elements  $m \in \mathbf{Z}^n$  such that  $\tau_f(x) = \log(|c_m|) + \langle m, x \rangle$ .

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form of f at x is the Laurent polynomial

set S(f) of all  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  such that  $c_m \neq 0$ , and that the Newton polytope of f is the convex hull NP<sub>f</sub> of S(f) in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

of those m such that  $\tau_f(x) = \log(|c_m|) + \langle m, x \rangle$ ; this is the support of the initial form  $in_x(f)$ ; its convex hull is then a sub-polytope  $NP_{f,x}$ of  $NP_f$ .

 $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $S_x(f)$  has at least two elements, equivalently,  $NP_{f,x}$ is not a point. When K is a split valued field, this is also equivalent to the property that  $in_x(f)$  is not a monomial (or zero).

*Remark* (3.3.3). — Let  $\varphi: \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{K}}}^{n} \to \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{K}}}^{p}$  be a monomial morphism, given at the level of Laurent polynomials by a morphism of Kalgebras  $\varphi^* : K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_p^{\pm 1}] \to K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  of the form  $T_i \mapsto$  $a_i \mathbf{T}^{e_i}$ , where  $a_1, \ldots, a_p \in \mathbf{K}^{\times}$  and  $e_1, \ldots, e_p \in \mathbf{Z}^n$ . If L is an extension of K, this morphism  $\varphi$  maps a point  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in (L^{\times})^n$  to the point  $\varphi(z) = (a_1 z^{e_1}, \dots, a_p z^{e_p}).$ 

S(f)  $\begin{cases} f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \\ f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \\ f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \end{cases} + C_m(x) = T_f(x) \end{cases}$ 3.3. NONARCHIMEDEAN AMOEBAS OF HYPERSURFACES c) (Assuming that the valued field K is split.) For  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the initial  $m_{z}(f) = \sum_{k} p(c_{m}) T^{m} \in k L T^{t}$  $\operatorname{in}_{x}(f) = \sum_{\substack{\tau_{f}(x) = \log(|c_{m}|) + \langle m, x \rangle \\ \mathbf{m} \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda}(f)}} \widehat{\rho(c_{m})} \mathbf{T}^{m}.$ Recall that the *support* of a Laurent polynomial  $f = \sum c_m T^m$  is the  $NP_{f,z} = conv (S(f))$   $NP_{f,z} = conv (S_{x}(f))$ We will occasionally define  $S_x(f)$  to be the subset of S(f) consisting m<sub>x</sub>(x) est un monôme (x) (x) est un monôme (x) (x) st un vingle hou With this notation, the tropical hypersurface  $\mathcal{T}_f$  is the set of all X & PL

This morphism gives rise to an affine map  $\varphi_{\tau}: \mathbf{R}^m \to \mathbf{R}^p$ , given by  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto (\log(|a_1|) + \langle e_1, x \rangle, \dots)$  and to monomial morphism  $\varphi_{\rho}: \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{m}_k}^n \to \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{m}_k}^p$  given by  $z \mapsto (\alpha_1 z^{e_1}, \dots, z_p^{e_p})$ , where  $\alpha_1 = \rho(a_1), \dots, \alpha_p = \rho(a_p)$ .

Let 
$$f \in K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_p^{\pm 1}]$$
; write  $f = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^p} c_m T^m$  so that
$$\left( \varphi^*(f) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^p} c_m a_1^{m_1} \dots a_p^{m_p} T^{m_1 e_1 + \dots + m_p e_p} \right).$$

If the rank of  $(e_1, \ldots, e_p) \in M_{n,p}(\mathbf{Z})$  is equal to p, then all exponents  $m_1e_1 + \cdots + m_pe_p$  are pairwise distinct. This implies that

$$\tau_{\varphi^*(f)}(x) = \sup_{m} \left( \log(|c_m|) + m_1 \log(|a_1|) + \dots + m_p \log(|a_p|) + \langle m_1 e_1 + \dots + m_p e_p, x \rangle \right)$$

$$= \sup_{m} \left( \log(|c_m|) + m_1 (\log(|a_1|) + \langle e_1, x \rangle) + \dots + m_p (\log(|a_p|) + \langle e_p, x \rangle) \right)$$

$$= \sup_{m} \left( \log(|c_m|) + m_1 y_1 + \dots + m_p y_p \right),$$
where  $y_j = \log(|a_j|) + \langle e_j, x \rangle$  for  $j \in \{1, \dots, p\}$ . This shows that
$$\boxed{\tau_{\varphi^*(f)} = \tau_f \circ \varphi_\tau}.$$

Remark (3.3.3). — Let  $\varphi: \mathbf{G_{mK}}^n \to \mathbf{G_{mK}}^p$  be a monomial morphism, given at the level of Laurent polynomials by a morphism of K-algebras  $\varphi^*: K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_p^{\pm 1}] \to K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  of the form  $T_j \mapsto a_j T^{e_j}$ , where  $a_1, \dots, a_p \in K^{\times}$  and  $e_1, \dots, e_p \in \mathbf{Z}^n$ . If L is an extension of K, this morphism  $\varphi$  maps a point  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in (L^{\times})^n$  to the point  $\varphi(z) = (a_1 z^{e_1}, \dots, a_p z^{e_p})$ .

If K is a split valued field, we obtain similarly that

$$\operatorname{in}_{x}(\varphi^{*}(f)) = \sum_{m} \rho(c_{m}) \alpha_{1}^{m_{1}} \dots \alpha_{p}^{m_{p}} T^{m_{1}e_{1} + \dots + m_{p}e_{p}} = \varphi_{\rho}^{*}(\operatorname{in}_{\varphi_{\tau}(x)}(f)).$$

Lemma (3.3.4). — Let  $f, g \in K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  be nonzero Laurent polynomials and let h = fg. For every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , one has the following relations:

(i) 
$$\tau_h(x) = \tau_f(x) + \tau_g(x);$$
  
(ii)  $NP_{h,x} = NP_{f,x} + NP_{g,x};$   $\left( NP_{R} = NP_{f,x} + NP_{g,x} \right)$ 

(iii) If K is a split valued field, then 
$$in_x(h) = in_x(f) + in_x(g)$$
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Proof. — Write  $f = \sum a_m T^m$ ,  $g = \sum b_m T^m$  and  $h = \sum c_m T^m$ . Let  $\mu$  be a vertex of  $NP_{h,x}$  and let  $\xi \in \mathbf{R}^n$  be such that  $\langle m, \xi \rangle < \langle \mu, \xi \rangle$  for every  $m \in NP_{h,x}$  such that  $m \neq \mu$ . For  $m \in \mathbf{Z}^n$ , one has  $c_m = \sum_{p+q=m} a_p b_q$ , hence

$$\log(|c_m|) + \langle m, x \rangle \leq \sup_{p+q=m} (\log(|a_p|) + \langle p, x \rangle) + (\log(|b_q|) + \langle q, x \rangle)$$
  
$$\leq \sup_{p} (\log(|a_p|) + \langle p, x \rangle) + \sup_{q} (\log(|c_q|) + \langle q, x \rangle)$$
  
$$= \tau_f(x) + \tau_g(x).$$

This proves that  $\tau_h(x) \leq \tau_f(x) + \tau_g(x)$ .

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On the other hand, if  $p \in NP_{f,x}$  and  $q \in NP_{g,x}$  are such that  $p + q = \mu$ , we have  $\langle p, \xi \rangle + \langle q, \xi \rangle = \langle \mu, \xi \rangle$ , so that the face of  $NP_{h,x}$  defined by  $\xi$  contains the Minkowski sum of the faces of  $NP_{f,x}$  and  $NP_{g,x}$  defined by  $\xi$ . This implies that these faces are vertices:

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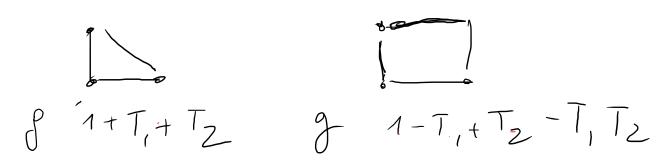
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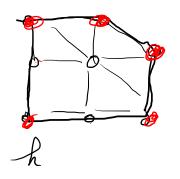
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$$= log (|a| + (f,x)) t_g(x)$$

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there exists a unique decomposition  $\mu = p + q$ , where p and q are vertices of  $NP_{f,x}$  and  $NP_{g,x}$  respectively. In the formula for  $c_{\mu}$ , the term  $a_pb_q$  has absolute value given by  $\log(|a_p|) + \log(|b_q|) = \tau_f(x) + \tau_g(x) - \langle \mu, x \rangle$ , while the absolute value of all other terms is strictly smaller. This shows that  $\log(|c_{\mu}|) = \tau_f(x) + \tau_g(x) - \langle \mu, x \rangle$ , hence  $\tau_h(x) = \tau_f(x) + \tau_g(x)$ .

This also shows that  $NP_{h,x}$  is equal to the Minkowski sum of  $NP_{f,x}$  and  $NP_{g,x}$ . The arguments of the first part of the proof prove that  $NP_{h,x} \subset NP_{f,x} + NP_{g,x}$ , while the second part of the proof shows that every vertex of  $NP_{h,x}$  belongs to the latter sum.

Let  $m \in \mathbf{Z}^n$ . If  $\log(|c_m|) + \langle m, x \rangle < \tau_h(x)$ , then the monomial  $T^m$  does not appear in  $\operatorname{in}_x(h)$ .

Otherwise, since  $\tau_h(x) = \tau_f(x) + \tau_g(x)$ , one has  $\log(|a_p|) + \log(|b_q|) \le \log(|c_m|)$  for every pair (p,q) such that p+q=m, and equality is achieved for at least one pair. In other words,

 $v(a_v) + v(b_a) \ge v(c_m)$ , with some pairs achieving equality. Consequently,

$$t^{-v(c_m)}c_m = t^{-v(c_m)} \sum_{p+q=m} a_p b_q$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{p+q=m \\ p \in S_x(f) \\ q \in S_x(g)}} t^{-v(a_p)} a_p t^{-v(b_q)} b_q$$

$$+ \sum_{\text{other terms}} t^{v(a_p)+v(b_q)-v(c_m)} t^{-v(a_p)} a_p t^{-v(a_q)} b_q,$$

a relation between elements of R. The reduction of the left hand side modulo the maximal ideal is the coefficient  $\rho(c_m)$  of  $T^m$  in  $\text{in}_x(h)$ . Similarly, if  $p \in S_x(f)$ , then the reduction of  $t^{-v(a_p)}a_p$  is  $\rho(a_p)$ ; if  $q \in S_x(g)$ , then the reduction of  $t^{-v(b_q)}b_q$  is  $\rho(b_q)$ . On the other hand, if  $v(a_v) + v(b_a) > v(c_m)$ , then the reduction of corresponding term on the right hand side is zero. Consequently,

$$\rho(c_m) = \sum_{\substack{p+q=m\\p \in S_x(f)\\q \in S_x(g)}} \rho(a_p)\rho(b_q).$$

Since  $\operatorname{in}_x(f) = \sum_{p \in S_x(f)} \rho(a_p) T^p$  and  $\operatorname{in}_x(g) = \sum_{q \in S_x(g)} \rho(b_q) T^q$ , this proves the coefficient of  $T^m$  in  $in_x(h)$  is equal to the coefficient

$$c_{m} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i} b_{i}$$

$$t^{-v(c_{m})} c_{m} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{j} t^{-v(b_{1})} t^{-v(b_{1})}$$

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$$\dot{u}_{x}(h) = \dot{u}_{x}(f) \dot{u}_{x}(g)$$

of  $T^m$  in the product of  $in_x(f)$  and  $in_x(g)$ . Consequently,  $in_x(h) = in_x(f)in_x(g)$ , as claimed.

Proposition (3.3.5). — Let  $f \in K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  be a Laurent polynomial. The associated tropical hypersurface  $\mathcal{T}_f$  is a closed  $\Gamma$ -strict polyhedral subset of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , purely of dimension n-1. More precisely, there exists a  $\Gamma$ -strict polyhedral decomposition of  $\mathbf{R}^n$  the (n-1)-dimensional polyhedra of which  $\mathcal{T}_f$  is the union.

*Proof.* — Write  $f = \sum c_m T^m$ ; let S(f) be the support of f; for  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ , let S<sub>x</sub>(f) be the set of all  $m \in S(f)$  such that log( $|c_m|$ )+ $\langle m, x \rangle = \tau_f(x)$ . For every  $m \in S(f)$ , let P<sub>m</sub> be the set of  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$  such that  $m \in S_x(f)$ . Since P<sub>m</sub> is defined in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  by the affine inequalities log( $|c_q|$ ) +  $\langle q, x \rangle \leq \log(|c_m|) + \langle m, x \rangle$  for all  $q \in S(f)$ , it is a convex polyhedron. The slopes of these affine forms are integers, and their constant terms are elements of the value group Γ = log( $|\mathbf{K}^\times|$ ) of K; consequently, P<sub>m</sub> is a Γ-strict convex polyhedron. By construction, these polyhedra cover  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .

If  $S_x(f)$  is reduced to an element m, then then there exists an open neighborhood V of x such that  $S_y(f) = \{m\}$  for all  $y \in V$ ; in particular, V is is disjoint from the other polyhedra  $P_q$ , and it is contained in the interior of  $P_m$ .

 $m \in S_{\times}(f) \iff \times \in P_{m}$   $S_{\times}(f) = \{m\}_{-}$   $m \neq 9 \in S(f) \Rightarrow log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$   $= log | cg| + \langle g, z \rangle$  = log |

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On the other hand, for two distinct elements m, q of S(f), the polyhedron  $P_m \cap P_q$  is contained in the hyperplane defined by the nontrivial affine equation  $\log(|c_m|) + \langle m, x \rangle = \log(|c_q|) + \langle q, x \rangle$ , so that  $P_m \cap P_q$  is disjoint from the interior of  $P_m$ . In particular, if  $Card(S_x(f)) \ge 2$ , then x does not belong to the interior of  $P_m$ .

This proves that  $\mathbf{R}^n$  is the union of those polyhedra  $P_m$  which have dimension n, and that the union of their interiors is the set of all  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$  such that  $S_x(f)$  is reduced to one element.

Consequently, the tropical hypersurface  $\mathcal{T}_f$ , which is its complementary subset, is the union of the (n-1)-dimensional faces of these polyhedra  $P_m$ , and they are  $\Gamma$ -strict convex polyhedra.

Theorem (3.3.6) (Kapranov). — Let  $f \in K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  be a Laurent polynomial. The following four subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  coincide:

(i) The tropical hypersurface  $\mathcal{T}_f$ ;

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- (ii) Assuming that the valued field K is split, the set of all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\operatorname{in}_x(f)$  is not a monomial;
- (iii) The set of all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that there exists a valued extension L of K and a point  $z \in (L^{\times})^n$  such that f(z) = 0 and  $x \in v(z)$ ;
- (iv) The image of  $\mathcal{V}(f)$  in  $\mathcal{M}(K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}])$  by the tropicalization map  $\lambda : \mathcal{M}(K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]), p \mapsto (\log(p(T_1)), \ldots, \log(p(T_n))).$

If L is an algebraically closed extension of K, endowed with a nontrivial absolute value extending that of K, they also coincide with the set:

(v) The closure of the set of all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that there exists a point  $z \in (\mathbb{L}^{\times})^n$  such that f(z) = 0 and  $x = \lambda(z)$ .

 $S_1 = S_2$  car  $x \in \mathcal{C}_f \bigoplus_{x \in \mathcal{X}_x(f)} \mathcal{C}_x(f) = \mathcal{C}_f \bigoplus_{x \in \mathcal{X}_x(f)} \mathcal{C}_x(f)$ 

$$S_{3} = S_{4} : p \in V(R)$$

$$F_{r}(k(T_{1}^{\Sigma I}, T_{n}^{\pm 1}) / ke_{1}p) = L$$

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*Proof.* — Let  $S_1 = \mathcal{T}_f, S_2, S_3, S_4, S_5$  be these subsets. Write  $f = \sum c_m T^m$ .

Let  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $m \in \mathbf{Z}^n$ ; the monomial  $T^m$  appears in  $\operatorname{in}_x(f)$  if and only if  $\log(|c_m|) + \langle m, x \rangle = \tau_f(x)$ . Consequently,  $\operatorname{in}_x(f)$  is a monomial if and only if the supremum defining  $\tau_f(x)$  is reached only once. This proves that  $S_1 = S_2$ .

The equality  $S_3 = S_4$  follows from the discussion in §3.2.9.

Let L be a valued extension of K, let  $z \in (L^{\times})^n$  be a point such that f(z) = 0 and let  $x = \lambda(z)$ . One has  $\sum c_m z^m = 0$ . Since the absolute value is nonarchimedean, the supremum of all  $|c_m z^m|$  must be attained twice. Since  $\lambda(c_m z^m) = \log(|c_m|) + \langle m, x \rangle$ , this shows that there exist two distinct elements  $m, q \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  such that  $\log(|c_m|) + \langle m, x \rangle = \tau_f(x)$ . In other words, x belongs to the hypersurface  $\mathcal{T}_f$ . This proves that one has  $S_3 \subset S_1$ .

By definition, the set  $S_5$  is the closure of a subset of  $S_3$ ; since  $S_1$  is closed, one also has  $S_5 \subset S_1$ .

By the corollary to the lifting proposition below, one has  $\mathcal{T}_f \cap \Gamma^n \in S_5$ . Since K is algebraically closed and its valuation is nontrivial, the group  $\Gamma$  is a non zero **Q**-subspace of **R**; in particular, it is dense in **R**. On the other hand, since  $\mathcal{T}_f$  is a  $\Gamma$ -strict polyhedral subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ ,

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its subset  $\mathcal{T}_f \cap \Gamma^n$  is dense in  $\mathcal{T}_f$ . Since  $\mathcal{T}_f$  is closed in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , this implies that  $S_1 = \mathcal{T}_f \subset S_5$ .

Using Gauss absolute values (proposition 3.1.10) and example 3.1.12, there exists an algebraically closed valued extension L of K whose value group  $\Gamma_L$  contains the coordinates of x. By the corollary of the lifting proposition, there exists  $z \in (L^{\times})^n$  such that f(z) = 0 and  $\lambda(z) = x$ ; in other words, one has  $x \in S_3$ . Consequently,  $S_1 \subset S_3$ . This concludes the proof of the theorem.

Proposition (3.3.7) (Lifting). — Assume that K is an algebraically closed valued field with residue field k. Let  $f \in K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  be a Laurent polynomial. We assume that the coefficients of f belong to the valuation ring of K and that its reduction  $\varphi \in k[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  is nonzero.

For every  $\alpha \in (k^{\times})^n$  such that  $\varphi(f) = 0$ , there exists  $a \in (\mathbb{R}^{\times})^n$  such that  $\rho(a) = \alpha$  and f(a) = 0. Moreover, if f is irreducible, then the set of such a is Zariski dense in the closed subscheme V(f) of  $\mathbf{G}_{m_{\mathbf{K}}}^n$ .

*Proof.* — We do the proof by induction on n.

Let us first assume that n = 1. Since K is algebraically closed, we may write  $f = cT^m \prod_{j=1}^q (T - a_j)$ , for some  $c \in K^\times$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $q \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $a_1, \ldots, a_q \in K^\times$ . If  $|a_j| > 1$ , we write  $T - a_j = -a_j(1 - a_j^{-1}T)$ , so that

$$f = c \prod_{|a_j| > 1} (-a_j) \mathbf{T}^m \prod_{|a_j| > 1} (1 - a_j^{-1} \mathbf{T}) \prod_{|a_j| \le 1} (\mathbf{T} - a_j).$$

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{m=1}^{m} |c_{m}| = 1$$

$$\varphi = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{m=1}^{m} |c_{m}| = 1$$

$$\varphi \in (\mathbb{R}^{\times})^{m} \qquad \varphi(\alpha) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f = \mathbb{R}^{\times m} \qquad |a_{1}| = 1$$

$$= f(\alpha) = 0$$

$$q_{1} = \alpha_{1} \qquad f(\alpha) = 0$$

Let  $c' = c \prod_{|a_j| > 1} (-a_j)$ . If |c'| < 1, then this formula shows that f reduces to 0 in  $k[T^{\pm 1}]$ , contradicting the stated hypothesis that  $\varphi \neq 0$ . If |c'| > 1, the coefficients of  $(c')^{-1}f$  belong to the maximal ideal of the valuation ring of K, so that the reduction of  $(c')^{-1}f$  is zero; on the other hand, we see that this reduction is equal to  $T^m \prod_{|a_j| \leq 1} (T - \overline{a_j})$ . then the relation  $(c')^{-1}f$  and the hypothesis Consequently, |c'| = 1 and  $\varphi = \rho(c')T^m(\prod_{|a_j| < 1} T)\prod_{|a_j| = 1} (T - \rho(a_j))$ . Since  $\varphi$  vanishes at  $\alpha$ , there must exist  $j \in \{1, \ldots, q\}$  such that  $|a_j| = 1$  and  $\rho(a_j) = \alpha$ . This proves the proposition in this case.

To do the induction step, we first perform a multiplicative Noether normalization theorem to reduce to the case where the map  $m \mapsto m_1$  from the support S(f) of f to  $\mathbf{Z}$  is injective. To see that it is possible, we make an invertible monomial change of variables  $T_1 \to T_1$ ,  $T_2 \to T_2 T_1^q, \ldots, T_{n-1} \to T_{n-1} T_1^{q^{n-2}}, T_n \to T_n T_1^{q^{n-1}}$  for some integer q, chosen to be large enough so that  $q > |m_j - m_j'|$  for all  $m, m' \in S(f)$  and all  $j \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$ . This change of variables transforms the Laurent polynomial f into the polynomial

$$f_q = \sum_{m \in S(f)} c_m T_1^{\varphi(m)} T_2^{m_2} \dots T_n^{m_n},$$

where

$$\varphi(m) = m_1 + q m_2 + q^2 m_3 + \cdots + q^{n-1} m_n.$$

Let  $m, m' \in S(f)$  be such that  $m \neq m'$ ; let  $k \in \{1, ..., n\}$  be such that  $m_j = m'_j$  for j > k and  $m_k \neq m'_k$ ; then one has

$$\varphi(m') - \varphi(m) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} q^{j-1}(m'_j - m_j) = \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} q^{j-1}(m'_j - m_j) + q^{k-1}(m'_k - m_k).$$

In absolute value, the last term is at least  $q^{k-1}$ , because  $m'_k \neq m_k$ ; on the other hand, the first one is bounded from the above by

$$\sum_{j=1}^{k-1} q^{j-1}(q-1) = (q-1)\frac{q^{k-1}-1}{q-1} = q^{k-1}-1,$$

hence  $|\varphi(m') - \varphi(m)| \ge 1$ .

Assume that this property holds. In other words, if f is written as a Laurent polynomial in  $T_1$ , with coefficients Laurent polynomials in  $T_2, \ldots, T_n$ , then all of these coefficients are monomials.

Then fix any lifting  $a' = (a_2, \ldots, a_n) \in (\mathbb{R}^\times)^{n-1}$  of  $\alpha' = (\alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_n)$ . The polynomial f is not a monomial; otherwise  $\varphi$  would be a monomial and would not vanish at  $\alpha$ . Thanks to the property imposed on the exponents of f, the one-variable Laurent polynomial f(T, a') is not a monomial either; its reduction is  $\varphi(T, \alpha')$  and vanishes at  $\alpha_1$ . By the n = 1 case, there exists  $a_1 \in \mathbb{R}^\times$  such that  $\rho(a_1) = \alpha_1$  and  $f(a_1, a') = 0$ .

To prove the density, we let Z be the Zariski closure in  $G_{m_K}^n$  of the set of these elements  $a \in (\mathbb{R}^{\times})^n$  such that f(a) = 0 and  $\rho(a) = \alpha$ . By

definition, the ideal  $\mathcal{I}(Z)$  of Z is the set of all Laurent polynomials  $h \in K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  such that h(a) = 0 for all these a. One has  $f \in \mathcal{I}(Z)$  by construction, hence  $(f) \subset \mathcal{I}(Z)$ . To prove that  $Z = \mathcal{V}(f)$ , it suffices to prove that  $\mathcal{I}(Z) = (f)$ .

Let  $g \in \mathcal{F}(Z)$  — (f). Since  $K[T_2^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$  is a unique factorization domain and f is irreducible in  $K[T_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$ , Gauss's theorem shows that f is either a unit, or irreducible in the one-variable polynomial ring  $K(T_2, \ldots, T_n)[T_1, T_1^{\pm 1}]$ . Since g does not belong to (f), the polynomials f and g are coprime in this principal ideal domain and there exist polynomials  $u, v \in K(T_2, \ldots, T_n)[T_1, T_1^{\pm 1}]$  such that uf + vg is a nonzero element of  $K(T_2, \ldots, T_n)$ . Multiplying by a common denominator, this furnishes a nonzero element h of  $(f,g) \cap K[T_2^{\pm 1}, \ldots, T_n^{\pm 1}]$ . Let  $a' \in (R^{\times})^{n-1}$  be such that  $\rho(a') = \alpha'$ . By what precedes, there exists  $a \in R^n$  of the form a = (t,a') such that f(t,a') = 0 and  $\rho(a) = \alpha$ ; by assumption, g(a) = 0, hence h(a') = 0. This contradicts the fact that these elements a' are Zariski-dense in  $G_m^{n-1}$  (lemma 3.3.8 below).

Lemma (3.3.8). — Let K be a field, let  $A_1, ..., A_n$  be subsets of K and let  $A = A_1 \times \cdots \times A_n$ . Let  $f \in K[T_1, ..., T_n]$ . If  $Card(A_j) > deg_{T_j}(f)$  for all j, then there exists  $a \in A$  such that  $f(a) \neq 0$ .

In particular, if  $A_1, \ldots, A_n$  are infinite, then A is Zariski dense in  $\mathbf{A}^n$ .

*Proof.* — If n=1, this amounts to the fact that a polynomial in one variable has no more roots than its degree. We then prove the result by induction on n, writing  $f=f_0+f_1T_1+\cdots+f_mT_1^m$ , for  $f_0,\ldots,f_m\in K[T_2,\ldots,T_n]$ , where  $m=\deg_{T_1}(f)$ , hence  $f_m\neq 0$ . By induction, there exists  $a_2\in A_2,\ldots,a_n\in A_n$  such that  $f_m(a_2,\ldots,a_n)\neq 0$ . This implies that the polynomial  $f(T,a_2,\ldots,a_n)$  has degree m. Since Card(A<sub>1</sub>) >  $\deg_{T_1}(f)=m$ , there exists  $a_1\in A_1$  such that  $f(a_1,a_2,\ldots,a_n)\neq 0$ , as was to be shown. □

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Corollary (3.3.9). — Assume that K is an algebraically closed split valued field and let  $x \in \Gamma^n$ . Then, for every  $\alpha \in (k^{\times})^n$  such that  $\operatorname{in}_x(f)(\alpha) = 0$ , there exists  $a \in (K^{\times})^n$  such that  $\lambda(a) = x$  and f(a) = 0. Moreover, if f is irreducible, then the set of such a is Zariski dense in  $\mathcal{V}(f)$ .

*Proof.* — By assumption, there exists  $b \in (K^{\times})^n$  such that  $\lambda(b) = x$ . Let  $c \in (\mathbb{R}^{\times})^n$  be such that  $\rho(c) = \rho(b)$ . Since  $\lambda(c) = 1$ , we then have  $\lambda(bc^{-1}) = \lambda(b) = x$  and  $\rho(bc^{-1}) = \rho(b)\rho(c)^{-1} = 1$ . Replacing b by  $bc^{-1}$ , we now assume that  $\lambda(b) = x$  and  $\rho(b) = 1$ . Let  $g(T) = f(b_1T_1, \ldots, b_nT_n)$ ; writing  $f = \sum_{m \in S(f)} c_m T^m$ , we have  $g = \sum_{m \in S(f)} c_m b^m T^m$ . Consequently, for every  $z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , one has

$$\tau_g(z) = \sup(\log(|c_m|) + \langle m, x + z \rangle) = \tau_f(x + z).$$

horganet de variables.  $x \in \Gamma^n \Rightarrow \exists b \in (\mathbb{C}^{\times})^n \begin{cases} \lambda(b) = x \\ \rho(b) = 1 \end{cases}$   $f(a) = 0 \quad (b) \quad g(b|a) = 0$  g(T) = f(bT)  $décele \quad To(g) = T_x(g)$   $in o |g) = in_x(f)$ on applique a f(g) = f(g) f(g) = f(g) = f(g)on applique a f(g) = f(g) f(g) = f(g)

This also shows that  $S_z(g) = S_{x+z}(f)$  and that

$$\operatorname{in}_{z}(g) = \sum_{m \in S_{z}(g)} \rho(c_{m}b^{m}) \mathbf{T}^{m} = \sum_{m \in S_{x+z}(f)} \rho(c_{m}) \mathbf{T}^{m} = \operatorname{in}_{x+z}(f).$$

In particular,  $x \in \mathcal{T}_f$  if and only if  $0 \in \mathcal{T}_g$ ,  $\operatorname{in}_x(f)(\alpha) = 0$  if and only if  $\operatorname{in}_0(g)(\alpha) = 0$ , and g(a) = 0 if and only if f(ab) = 0, where  $ab = (a_1b_1, \ldots, a_nb_n)$ .

By the lifting proposition, there exists  $a \in (\mathbb{R}^{\times})^n$  such that  $\rho(a) = \alpha$  and g(a) = 0; then  $ab \in (\mathbb{K}^{\times})^n$  satisfies  $\rho(ab) = \alpha$  and f(ab) = 0.

Moreover, if f is irreducible, then g is irreducible as well, the set of such elements a is Zariski dense in  $\mathcal{V}(g)$ , hence the set of such elements ab is Zariski dense in  $\mathcal{V}(f)$ .

## Beware:

The definition of the nonarchimedean amoebas has been modified so as to be more consistent with the definition in the archimedean case. I made the necessary corrections up to here, but there are certainly inconsistencies below.

## 3.4. Monomial ideals

Definition (3.4.1). — An ideal of  $K[T_1, ..., T_n]$  is said to be monomial if it is generated by a set of monomials.