

Some basic results from field theory and algebraic geometry

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3. A *generic point* of V is, equivalently:
 - 3.1 “The element $(X_1, \dots, X_n) + \mathfrak{p}$ of $k[X_1, \dots, X_n]/\mathfrak{p}$.”
 - 3.2 More precisely, any image $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ of it under some k -embedding in Ω .
 - 3.3 In other words, $k[a_1, \dots, a_n] \cong_k k[X_1, \dots, X_n]/\mathfrak{p}$.
 - 3.4 Some $a \in V(\Omega)$ such that $V(\Omega)$ is the closure of $\{a\}$ in the k -Zariski topology on Ω .
Warning: this is not even T0.
 - 3.5 Some $a \in V(\Omega)$ with $\text{trdeg}(k(a)/k) = \dim V$.
 - 3.6 Some $a \in V(\Omega)$ with $\text{tp}(a/k)$ of the same Morley rank as V .
 - 3.7 At any rate: a point satisfying the equations in \mathfrak{p} and no other equation over k .
4. Any point $a \in \Omega^n$ is a generic point over k of $\mathcal{I}_k(\{a\})$. (may have $a \notin k^n$!)
5. b is a *specialisation* of a over k iff $\mathcal{I}_k(\{a\}) \subseteq \mathcal{I}_k(\{b\})$.
6. Specialisations correspond to surjective morphisms between coordinate rings.
7. The points of a variety are exactly the specialisations of its generic points.