# On transcendental number theory, classical analytic functions and Diophantine geometry 

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## Background

An efficient way to classify mathematical structures is through answering the following questions:

To what extent can a structure $\mathbf{M}$ be described by a formal language $L$ ?

What do we need to describe $\mathbf{M}$ uniquely up to isomorphism?

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Uncountable structures with categorical theories = logically perfect structures.

Basic examples of 'perfect' structures:
(1) Trivial structures (the language allows the equality only)
(2) Linear structures: Abelian divisible torsion-free groups;

Vector spaces over a given division ring
Commutative one-dimensional algebraic groups (with or without "complex multiplication";
(3) Algebraically closed fields $(+, \cdot,=)$

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More generally, complex algebraic varieties $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{n}$ equipped with algebraic relations (given by polynomial equations

$$
p\left(\bar{x}_{1}, \ldots, \bar{x}_{m}\right)=0
$$

in $n \times m$ variables).
$\mathbb{C}$ can be replaced by any algebraically closed field.

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Dual notion: the dimension of an algebraic variety $V$ over $F$

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\operatorname{dim} V=\max \left\{\operatorname{tr} . \mathrm{d}_{F}\left(x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}\right) \mid\left(x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}\right) \in V\right\} .
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YES, for some key classes (1993-2007).
NO in general (E.Hrushovski, 1989)

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The resulting structure ( $\tilde{\mathbf{M}}, \mathrm{f}$ ) will be homogeneous and have a good dimension theory.

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The Hrushovski inequality, in the case of the complex numbers and ex = exp, is equivalent to

$$
\operatorname{tr.d}\left(x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}, e^{x_{1}}, \ldots, e^{x_{n}}\right) \geq n
$$

assuming that $x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}$ are linearly independent (the Schanuel conjecture).

## Pseudo-exponentiation

Consider the class of fields of characteristic 0 with a function ex: $\quad \mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{ex}}=$ ( $F,+, \cdot$, ex) satisfying

EXP1: $\operatorname{ex}\left(x_{1}+x_{2}\right)=\operatorname{ex}\left(x_{1}\right) \cdot \operatorname{ex}\left(x_{2}\right)$
EXP2: ker ex $=\omega \mathbb{Z}$

Consider the subclass satisfying the Schanuel condition

$$
\mathrm{SCH}: \quad \operatorname{tr} . \mathrm{d}(X \cup \operatorname{ex}(X))-\operatorname{lin} . \mathrm{d}(X) \geq 0
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Amalgamation process produces an algebraically-exponentially closed field with pseudo-exponentiation, $\mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{ex}}(\lambda)$.
$\mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{ex}}(\lambda)$ satisfies:
Algebraic-exponential closedness (Existential closedness):
EC: Every system of algebraic-exponential equations which does not contradict SCH must have a solution.

## Countable closure property:

CC: Analytic subsets of $\mathbf{F}^{n}$ of dimension 0 are countable.

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Model-theoretic geometry suggest a geometry of exponentiation.

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$\mathrm{SCH}^{\prime}: \quad \operatorname{tr} . \mathrm{d}(X \cup \exp (X))-$ mlt.rk $\exp X \geq 0$ mlt.rk $Y$ the multiplicative group rank of $\langle Y\rangle$ lin.d $X-1 \leq$ mlt.rk $\exp X \leq \operatorname{lin} . d X$.

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$\alpha \notin \mathbb{R} \cup i \mathbb{R}, \quad$ for all $Y \subset_{\text {fin }} \exp \alpha \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 \leq c(\alpha) \leq 2$

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Corollary Let $\Gamma$ be the subgroup of $\mathbb{C}^{*}$ generated by $a_{1}, \ldots, a_{n} \in \mathbb{C}$ and $K$ be the subfield containing $\frac{\ln a_{1}}{2 \pi i}, \ldots, \frac{\ln a_{n}}{2 \pi i}$.
Assume Schanuel's conjecture $\mathrm{SCH}^{K}$. Then, for every $W \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{m}$ definable in $\mathbb{C}^{K}$, $\Gamma^{m} \cap W$ equals a finite union of cosets of subgroups $\Gamma^{m} \cap T$, some tori $T$.

## Wilkie's Theorem $\mathrm{SCH}^{K}$ holds for $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ generated by generic

 tuples of real numbers.
## Nonstandard numbers

$$
\mathbb{C} \prec^{*} \mathbb{C}, \quad \mathbb{Z} \prec^{*} \mathbb{Z}, \quad \mathbb{Q} \prec^{*} \mathbb{Q}, \ldots
$$

Correspondingly, it makes sense in ${ }^{*} \mathbf{F}$ to 'raise' to nonstandard integer powers and have the predimension for $X \subseteq{ }^{*} \mathbb{C}$,

$$
\delta(X)=\text { lin.d } *_{\mathbb{Q}} X+\text { tr.d } \exp X-\text { mlt.rk } \exp X .
$$

The relative predimension with respect to $\mathbb{C}$ :

$$
\delta(X / \mathbb{C})=\min \left\{\delta(X \cup A)-\delta(A): A \subseteq_{\text {fin }} \mathbb{C},\right.
$$

$A$ large enough $\}$.

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Proposition Assume Schanuel's conjecture for the p-adic exponentiation.
Then, for every $k$ there is $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}_{p}^{\text {alg }},|\alpha|_{p}=1$, such that

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Corollary mtdim $\mathbb{Z}_{p}=0$, if defined.

## The Uniform Schanuel conjecture

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The proof is based on the analytic cell decomposition result (T.L.Loi) for $\mathbb{R}_{\exp }$ (which follows from Wilkie's Theorem).

## The Weierstrass function

The case of the Weierstrass function $\mathbf{p}_{\omega}(x)$, for a fixed lattice is very similar.

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The corresponding 'Schanuel conjecture' must take into account the trivial geometry on $\mathcal{H}$ (with the action of $\mathrm{SL}_{2}(\mathbb{Q})$ ) and the linear geometry along each elliptic curve. Thus it takes the form: given $\tau_{1}, \ldots, \tau_{m} \in \mathcal{H}$ and $x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n} \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$
\operatorname{tr} . \mathrm{d}\left(\left\{\tau_{i}\right\},\left\{x_{j}\right\}, \quad\left\{\mathbf{p}\left(\tau_{i}, x_{j}\right)\right\}\right)-\sum_{\tau_{i} / \mathrm{SL}_{2}(\mathbb{Q})} \operatorname{lin}^{\mathrm{d}}{ }_{k_{\tau_{i}}}\left\{x_{j}\right\} \geq 0
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