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# Construction of Cubic Function Fields from Quadratic Infrastructure

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where  $y^2 = D(t)$  and  $D \in \mathbb{F}_q[t]$  is a squarefree polynomial.

The genus of  $K$  is  $g = \lfloor (\deg(D) - 1)/2 \rfloor$ ,  
and the discriminant of  $K/k$  is  $D$ .



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where the pairs  $(e_i, f_i)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq s$ , are sorted in lexicographical order.

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More exactly,

$(2, 1)$  if  $\deg(D)$  is odd.

$(1, 2)$  if  $\deg(D)$  is even and  $\text{sgn}(D)$  is a non-square,

$(1, 1, 1, 1)$  if  $\deg(D)$  is even and  $\text{sgn}(D)$  is a square.

In the real case, if  $\epsilon$  is any fundamental unit of  $K/k$ , then  $R = |\deg(\epsilon)|$  is the **regulator** of  $K/k$ .



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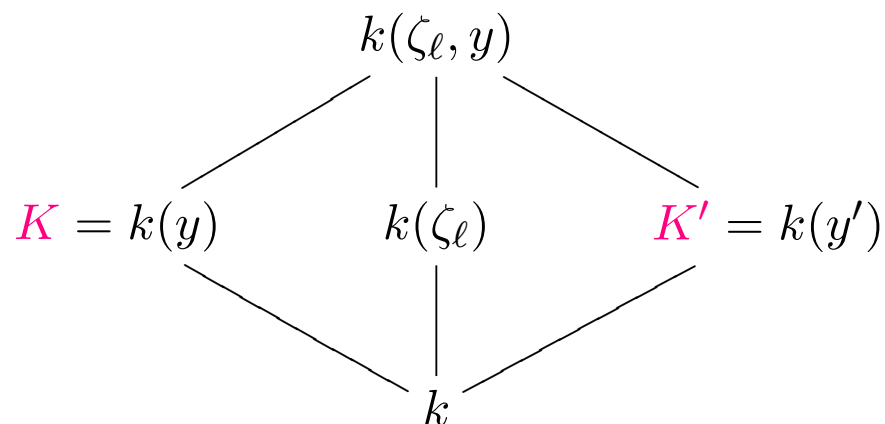


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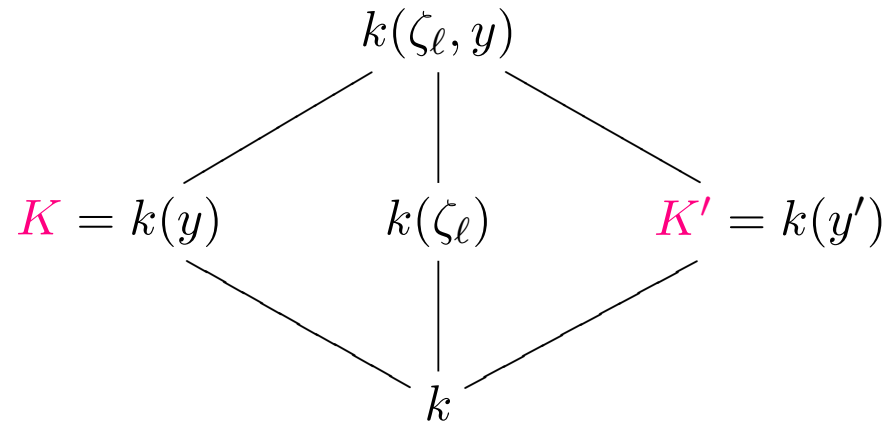
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Let  $L = KK' = K(\zeta_\ell, y)$ , where  $\ell$  is an odd prime dividing  $q + 1$ .



Note that  $K/k$  has signature  $(1, 2)$  (inert) if and only if  $K'/k$  has signature  $(1, 1, 1, 1)$  (splits completely).

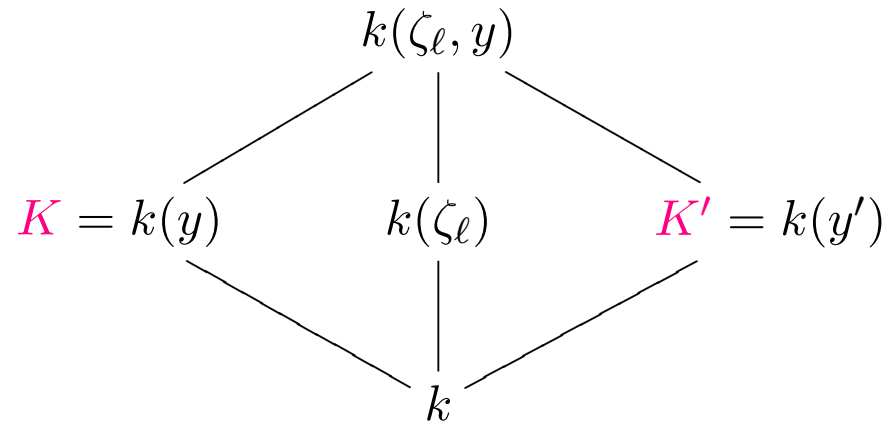
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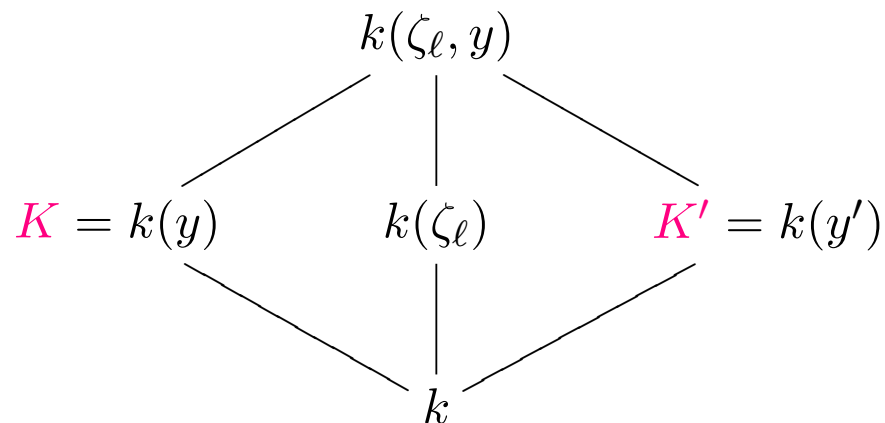


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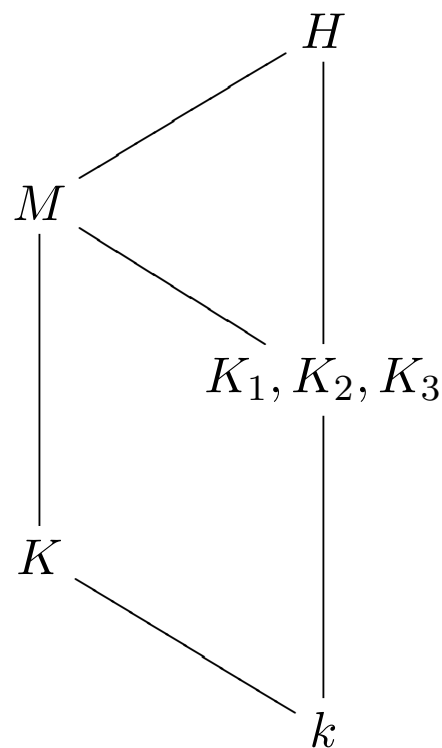
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- There are three elements of order 2 in  $S_3$ , which are all conjugate. The fixed fields  $K_1, K_2, K_3$  of the elements of order 2 in  $\text{Gal}(M/k)$  are all isomorphic cubic extensions of  $k$ .



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**Theorem 1.** Let  $\mathfrak{a}$  be the reduced principal ideal closest to  $N = \lceil R/3 + g/2 \rceil$  with respect to  $\mathcal{O}'$ . Then  $\mathfrak{a}^3$  has a small generator  $\lambda = \alpha^3 \epsilon^{-1}$  where  $\alpha$  is the minimal non-negative generator of  $\mathfrak{a}$ . Furthermore, if  $R \geq 3g + 2$ , then  $\mathfrak{a} \neq \mathcal{O}'$ .

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\mathfrak{r}$  be any reduced ideal whose class has order 3. Let  $\mathfrak{c}$  be a reduced principal ideal equivalent to  $\mathfrak{r}^3$ ,  $\theta$  a relative generator of  $\mathfrak{c}$  with respect to  $\mathfrak{r}^3$ , and write  $\deg(\theta) - \delta(\mathfrak{c}, \mathcal{O}') = nR + r$  with  $-3(g+1)/2 \leq r < R - 3(g+1)/2$ . For  $i = 0, 1, 2$ , set  $N_i = \lceil (r + iR)/3 + g/2 \rceil$ , and define  $\mathfrak{a}_i$  to be the reduced ideal closest to  $N_i$  with respect to  $\mathfrak{r}$ .

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## Input:

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**Output:** Defining polynomials for  $(3^{r'+1} - 1)/2$  distinct triples of conjugate cubic fields of discriminant  $D$ .



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  - a) if  $\mathfrak{a} = \mathcal{O}'$ , set  $\lambda = \epsilon$ , else compute a small generator  $\lambda$  of  $\mathfrak{a}^3$  as described in Theorem 1;
  - b) for each  $i$ , compute small generators  $\lambda_{i0}, \lambda_{i1}, \lambda_{i2}$  of  $\mathfrak{a}_{i0}, \mathfrak{a}_{i1}, \mathfrak{a}_{i2}$ , respectively, as described in Theorem 2;else compute a small generator  $\lambda$  of  $\mathfrak{a}^3$ , and for each  $i$  small generators  $\lambda_{i0}, \lambda_{i1}, \lambda_{i2}$  of  $\mathfrak{a}_{i0}, \mathfrak{a}_{i1}, \mathfrak{a}_{i2}$ , respectively, as described in Algorithm ??.
3. Set  $F(Z) = Z^3 - 3N(\lambda)^{1/3}Z + Tr(\lambda)$ , and for  $1 \leq i \leq l$  and  $0 \leq j \leq 2$ , set  $F_{ij}(Z) = Z^3 - 3N(\lambda_{ij})^{1/3} + Tr(\lambda_{ij})$ .
4. Output  $F$  and  $\{F_{i0}, F_{i1}, F_{i2}\}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq l$ .

