

Algebraic Geometric Codes

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If F/E is not separable, we can assume that F/E is purely inseparable (As, we can use $E = E_s$ and then $F = E_s$). As $F = K(t)$ for some t , it holds that $E = K(t^q)$ for some q . □

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Case analysis on board. □