1026-12-87 Andy R. Magid* (amagid@ou.edu), Department of Mathematics, University of Oklahoma, 601 Elm Room 423, Norman, OK 73019. Subfields of the complete Picard-Vessiot closure of a differential field. Preliminary report.

The Picard-Vessiot closure $(E)_1$ of a differential field E (differential fields always assumed to have algebraically closed characteristic zero field of constants) is the compositum of all its Picard-Vessiot extensions. If F is a differential field, its complete Picard-Vessiot closure F_{∞} is $\bigcup_{i\geq 0}F_i$ where $F_0 = F$ and $F_{i+1} = (F_i)_1$. There is a semi-Galois correspondence between all differential subfields of F_{∞} over F and subgroups of the group G of all differential automorphisms of F_{∞} over F. We characterize the (differentially) finitely generated subfields of F_{∞} (containing F). (Received February 15, 2007)