

Math 322, lecture 20, 16/11/2017

Last time: G simple of order 60 $\Rightarrow G \cong A_5$

(so $\text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{F}_5) \cong A_5$)

Q: How did we know $\#P_2 = 4$?

A: $\#G = 60 = 2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$, so $\#P_2 = 2^2$.

Abelian Finitely Generated Abelian Groups

① Finite abelian groups

Let A be a finite abelian group of order n , let $p|n$.
Then the p -Sylow subgp A_p of A is normal, hence unique.

HW: (a) $A = \langle \bigcup_{p|n} A_p \rangle$, (b) $A \cong \prod_p A_p$

Cor: If A has order 60, $A = P_2 \times P_3 \times P_5$, i.e.

either $A = C_4 \times C_3 \times C_5 = C_{60}$

or
 $A = C_2 \times C_2 \times C_3 \times C_5 = C_2 \times C_{30}$

Thm: Let A_p be a finite abelian p -group. Then A_p is isomorphic to a pdt of cyclic p -gps, uniquely up to the order of the factors of each size unique (with the number

Example: Group $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$ can be factored many ways (choose a basis)

This group has p^k elements, of which all but identity have order $p = (g_1, \dots, g_k)^p = (g_1^p, \dots, g_k^p)$.

On other hand, $C_{p^2} \times C_p \not\cong C_{p^{2+l}}$

Now $(g_1, \dots, g_k, h_1, \dots, h_\ell)$ has order p^2 iff one (or more) of the g_i has order p^2 .

4: $A = \prod_{p|n} A_p, \quad g = g_{p_1} \dots g_{p_k}, \quad g_p \in A_p$

↑
Can put together info from each A_p to get info in A .
then the order of g is prod of orders of g_p .

Conclusion: if A is a finite abelian gr then $A \cong \prod_{i=1}^r C_{p_i^{e_i}}$
with number of occurrences of each $p_i^{e_i}$ unique

Return to uniqueness:

$$\mathbb{F}_p^2 = \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}_p} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \text{span}_{\mathbb{F}_p} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Let $A = \mathbb{F}_p^2, \quad B = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{F}_p \right\}, \quad C = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y \end{pmatrix} : y \in \mathbb{F}_p \right\}$

$D = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} z \\ z \end{pmatrix} : z \in \mathbb{F}_p \right\},$ each $B = C = D = G$ as additive grs

and $A \cong B \times C \cong B \times D$

Application of CRT: Say $A \cong \prod_{i=1}^r C_{p_i^{e_i}}$

Define $d_i =$ product of highest powers of primes occurring

Ex: $A \cong C_9 \times C_3 \times C_{16} \times C_8 \times C_8 \times C_7$

$d_1 = 16 \cdot 9 \cdot 7$

Define $d_2 =$ product of highest powers remaining

(Here $d_2 = 8 \cdot 3$)

Define $d_3 =$ " " " " " "

(Here $d_3 = 8$)

Clear: $\dots d_3 | d_2 | d_1$

The d_i are called the "elementary divisors" of A .

By CRT, $A \cong C_{d_1} \times C_{d_2} \times C_{d_3} \times \dots$

Thm: Any finite abelian group can be uniquely written

in the form $A \cong C_{d_1} \times C_{d_2} \times \dots \times C_{d_r}$

where $d_{i+1} | d_i$. Here the d_i are unique.

Proofs: See notes, or Math 323

Finitely Generated abelian groups

Let A be a [finitely generated] abelian group

(eg, \mathbb{Z}^d) $\cong \langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \rangle$

Ex: \mathbb{Q} is not finitely generated as an abelian gp
("common denominator")

HW: $\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{p}]/\mathbb{Z}$ any finite set generates a cyclic subgp
same holds in \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}

Still, in A a general abelian gp, $A_{\text{tors}} = \{a \in A \mid \begin{matrix} a \text{ has} \\ \text{finite} \\ \text{order} \end{matrix} \}$
("torsion" = finite order)

Call A "torsion free" if $A_{\text{tors}} = \{e\}$, "torsion" if $A = A_{\text{tors}}$

HW: If A is abelian, A_{tors} is a subgp

Thms: (1) Let A be a torsion-free f.g. ab. gp.

Then $A \cong \mathbb{Z}^d$ for some d .

(2) Let A be f.g. ab. gp. Then $A = \mathbb{Z}^d \times A_{\text{tors}}$,
and A_{tors} is ~~for~~ finite.

Def: Call d the rank of A

(Ex: If $\mathbb{Z}^d = \mathbb{Z}^e$ then $d=e$)

Examples Let E be a non-singular plane cubic with a rational pt. Examples $E: y^2 = x^3 + ax + b + pt \text{ at } \infty$
where $x^3 + ax + b = 0$ has no repeated roots

Say $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ or \mathbb{Q} .

If $k = \mathbb{Q}$ or \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} , $E(k) = \text{solutions } (x, y) \in k^2 + (\infty)$

note: If $P = (x, y) \in E(k)$, $(x, -y) \in E(k)$

set $-P = (x, -y)$ if $P = (x, y)$ ($-\infty = \infty$)

if $P, Q \in E(k)$, let l be the line through P, Q .

let Z be the third point in $l \cap E$ ($Z \in E(k)$)

set $P + Q = -Z$.

Facts $(E(k), +)$ is an abelian group.

Examples $x^3 + y^3 = 1$, $x^4 + y^4 = 1$

Thms (Mordell-Weil): E is def / $\mathbb{Q} \Rightarrow E(\mathbb{Q})$ is f.g. ab. gp

[aside: $E(\mathbb{C}) \cong (\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})^2$]

Questions what is $\text{rk } E(\mathbb{Q})$?

reduce coeff mod p (suppose $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$)

say $\# E(\mathbb{F}_p) = p + 1 - a_p$ (Hasse: $|a_p| \leq 2\sqrt{p}$)

Set $L(E; s) = \prod_p \frac{1}{(1 - a_p p^{-s} + p^{1-2s})}$ (converges if $\text{Re}(s) > 3/2$)

Conj: $\text{ord}_{s=1} L(E; s) = \text{rk } E(\mathbb{Q})$ (Birch and Swinnerton-Dyer conj)