

Math 152 Notes

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Lecture notes from Tuesday

Statement about Midterm

Next (short homework)

A binary quadratic form is $f(x, y) = ax^2 + bxy + cy^2$ ($a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$)

Studied by Gauss, who introduced the notion of class numbers $h(d)$ where d is some discriminant. $d = b^2 - 4ac$ is called the discriminant of f . You can change the quadratic form by a linear change of variables.

$$x = mx' + ny'$$

$$y = tx' + uy'$$

This change of variables multiplies d by $(mu - nt)^2$

Best kind of variable change: $(mu - nt) = 1 \Rightarrow d$ discriminant unchanged (unimodular change of variables).

$$f(x, y) = a'(x')^2 + b'x'y' + c'(y')^2, \text{ where } (b')^2 - 4a'c' = (mu - nt)^2(b^2 - 4ac)$$

Proof:

$$ax^2 + bxy + cy^2 = (x, y) \begin{pmatrix} a & \frac{b}{2} \\ \frac{b}{2} & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(x, y) \begin{pmatrix} ax + \frac{b}{2}y \\ \frac{b}{2}x + cy \end{pmatrix} = ax^2 + \frac{b}{2}y + \frac{b}{2}xy + cy^2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} m & n \\ t & u \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xi = M\xi'$$

$$(x', y') \begin{pmatrix} m & t \\ n & u \end{pmatrix} = (x, y)$$

$$\xi = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} m & n \\ t & u \end{pmatrix} = M$$

$$\xi' = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & \frac{b}{2} \\ \frac{b}{2} & c \end{pmatrix} = Q \text{ symmetric.}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a' & \frac{b'}{2} \\ \frac{b'}{2} & c' \end{pmatrix} = Q'?$$

$$f(x, y) = \xi^t Q \xi$$

$$= (M\xi')^t Q (M\xi')$$

$$(\xi')^t M^t Q M \xi' \text{ (call } M^t Q M = Q')$$

$$\det(Q) = \frac{1}{4}(b^2 - 4ac) = -\frac{d}{4}$$

Two binary quadratic forms f and f' are considered equivalent if they are related by a unimodular change of variables.

$$f(x, y) = f'(x', y')$$

$$x = mx' + ny', y = tx' + uy'$$

$$m, n, t, u \in \mathbb{Z}, mu - nt = 1$$

In this case they have the same discriminant $d = b^2 - 4ac = (b')^2 - 4a'c'$

Same Discriminant $\not\Rightarrow$ equivalent. Example:

$2x^2 + 2xy + 3y^2$ and $x^2 + 5y^2$ doth have $d = -20$, but not equivalent.

The number of BQFs with discriminant d is called a class number $h(d)$

$h(-20) = 2$. This is related to the failure of unique factorization in the ring $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$

Read 3.4 and 3.5

Representations by sum of squares.

Let $r(m) = \#\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 = m\}$

$r(0) = 1$, IGNORE

$r(1) = 4$ ($(\pm 1)^2 + 0^2, 0^2 + (\pm 1)^2$)

$r(2) = 4$

$r(3) = 0$

$r(4) = 4$

$r(5) = 8$

If $x^2 + y^2 = n$ is a solution, then associate $x + iy \in R = \mathbb{Z}[i]$ in the Gaussian integers.

$n = N(x + iy)$; $z = x + iy$ have four different solutions corresponding to $z, iz, -z, -iz \{\epsilon z \mid \epsilon \in R^\times\}$
(R^\times units $\pm 1, \pm i$)

Special case $r(p)$, p odd prime. In this case, claim:

$r(p) = 8$ if $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

$r(p) = 0$ if $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

Claim: If $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, there are two Gaussian primes dividing p . (π, π' are associates, $\pi' = \epsilon\pi$, ϵ a unit). Think of these as representing the same primes.

$5 = (1 + 2i)(1 - 2i)$ (distinct Gaussian primes dividing 5)

Proposition: If $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ prime in \mathbb{Z} (\Rightarrow by Fermat, $p = a^2 + b^2$). $p = \pi\bar{\pi} = (a + bi)(a - bi)$ where π is a Gaussian prime. $\pi, \bar{\pi}$ are not associative but any Gaussian prime dividing p is (an associate of) π or π'

Remark: If $\kappa \in R$, $N(\kappa)$ prime in $\mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow \kappa$ is prime in $R = \mathbb{Z}[i]$

(However, this is not \Leftrightarrow since 3 is prime in R but $N(3) = 9$ is not prime in \mathbb{Z} .)

Proof of remark: If $\kappa = \kappa_1\kappa_2 \Rightarrow N(\kappa) = N(\kappa_1)N(\kappa_2) \Rightarrow N(\kappa_1)$ or $N(\kappa_2) = 1 \Rightarrow \kappa_1$ or κ_2 is a unit.

Proof of proposition:

If κ is a prime dividing p ($\kappa \mid p$), then $\kappa \mid \pi\bar{\pi}$ (Note $\pi, \bar{\pi}$ are prime by remark, $N(\pi) = a^2 + b^2 = p$)

So $\kappa \mid \pi$ or $\kappa \mid \pi'$

κ, π prime $\Rightarrow \kappa$ is an associate of π or π'

Define $\chi(n) =$

0 (n even)

1 ($n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$)

-1 ($n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$)

i.e. $\xi(n) = \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n-1}{2}}}{2}$ ("Kronecker Symbol")

Theorem: $r(n) = 4 \sum_{d|n} \chi(d)$

Proof: $\frac{1}{4} \left(\sum_{\text{nonzero Gaussian integers}} \frac{1}{N(d)^2} = Z(R) \right)$ (s some complex number $\operatorname{re}(s) > 1$ will

guarantee convergence.)

($1/4$ accounts for $\alpha, i\alpha, -\alpha, -i\alpha$ having same norm.)

$Z(R) = \sum_{\text{ideals } I \text{ of } R} \frac{1}{NI^s}$ (Dedekind zeta function of R)

Every ideal is of the form $(\alpha) =$ all multiples of α because R is a principal ideal domain.

$(\alpha) = (\beta) \Rightarrow \alpha = \epsilon\beta$ ($\epsilon \in R^\times$). Passing to ideals removes need to divide by 4.

$\xi(R) = \sum_{\text{ideals } I \text{ of } \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{NI^s} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}$

Every ideal has a unique factorization into primes. This means... ξ first. Ideals of \mathbb{Z} are (n) with $n > 0$ and each has a unique factorization into primes.

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} = \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1}$

Because RHS = $\prod_p \left(1 + \frac{1}{p^s} + \frac{1}{p^{2s}} + \dots\right)$ (multiplying out gives each $\frac{1}{n^s}$ exactly once.)

$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots$

$\xi(s) = \sum n^{-s} = \prod_p (1 - p^{-s})^{-1}$

$\frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r(n)n^{-s} = Z(s) = \prod_{\text{prime Ideals } P \text{ of } R} \left(1 - \frac{1}{NP^s}\right)^{-1}$ ($\frac{1}{4}r(n) = \#$ of ideals with norm $N(I) =$

n)

Prime ideals of R :

One ideal $(1+i)$ with $N(P) = 2$

Two ideals $(a+bi), (a-bi)$ with $NP = p, p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ with $NP = p^2, p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

($N(P) = N(\alpha)$ with $P = (\alpha)$)

One ideal (p)

$2, 3, 1+2i, 1-2i, 7$

$\prod_{\text{prime Ideals } P \text{ of } R} \left(1 - \frac{1}{NP^s}\right)^{-1}$

$= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^s}\right)^{-1} \left(\prod_{p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \right) \left(\prod_{p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \right)$

$$\prod_{\chi(p)=0} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\chi(p)}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \prod_{\chi(p)=1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\chi(p)}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \prod_{\chi(p)=-1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\chi(p)}{p^s}\right)^{-1}$$